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Changes and Corrections.

A number of changes have been made since the forms went to press, requiring the following corrections:—In the appointments read: Harrington, Del., G. T. Alderson; Onancock, Va., W. A. Wise; New Castle, Del., E. H. Thrasher; C. A. Banker, missionary to New Mexico. Transfers: C. A. Banker, from Rock River Conference; E. H. Thrasher, from New England Conference; Wilmer Jaggard, to Rock River, and R. I. Watkins, to Kentucky Conference. In Trustees Conference Academy read: Jas. H. Hazel in place of Hugh C. Browne.

Conference Officers.

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Conference Societies and Committees.

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Officers.—President, A. E. Sudler; First Vice-President, C. F. Sheppard; Second Vice-President, G. W. Todd; Treasurer, A. G. Cox; Secretary, F. C. McSorley.

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Lay.—A. E. Sudler, G. W. Todd, A. G. Cox, J. W. Hooper, L. E. P. Dennis, John F. Dawson, J. H. Phillips, E. W. Cooper.

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Salisbury District.—T. E. Martindale, W. W. Sharp, G. G. Senser, W. T. Townsend, J. E. Ellegood.

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Lay.—1900—Samuel Wharton, H. C. Browne, L. S. Melson, Joseph Mallalieu. 1902.—Wm. Saulsbury, T. J. Shallcross, J. Smithers, H. P. Cannon. 1904.—W. H. Jackson, J. S. Collins, A. E. Sudler, G. E. Jones, Wm. Dyer. 1906.—W. F. Causey, G. W. Todd, E. W. Cooper, J. Hersey Hall.

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Ministerial.—B. F. Price, G. A. Phoebus, R. W. Todd, J. T. VanBurkalow, James Carroll, C. F. Sheppard, H. S. Thompson, T. E. Martindale, V. S. Collins, Adam Stengle, Alfred Smith.

Lay.—W. H. Thompson, E. W. Cooper, H. C. Conrad, C. H. Richards, W. H. Dashiell, H. F. Pickels, J. H. Hall, W. A. Hukill, Wm. Saulsbury, T. H. Medford.

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Conference Stewards.

Ministerial.—John France, J. A. Arters, P. H. Rawlins, C. W. Prettyman.

Lay.—W. H. Foulk, J. H. Hoffecker, J. B. Anderson, Geo. A. Cox.

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Lay.—R. M. Cooper, G. W. Todd, J. Hutton, T. N. Rawlins, L. S. Melson, W. H. Foulk, Harry Roe.

Twentieth Century Thank Offering.

The Presiding Elders, C. A. Grise, John France, V. S. Collins, J. D. C. Hanna, L. S. Melson, Wm. Saulsbury, H. P. Cannon, W. H. Jackson, G. W. Todd, J. H. Hoffecker.

Triers of Appeals.

H. S. Thompson, Aloysius Green, T. B. Cooper, W. G. Koons, F. C. McSorley, R. W. Todd, Alfred Smith.

To Preach Missionary Sermon.—T. A. H. O'Brien, Alternate, F. C. McSorley.

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1901—Adam Stengle, T. E. Martindale, E. H. Nelson.
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1901—J. D. Rigg, W. J. DuHadway, L. E. Barrett, E. P. Roberts.
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Plan of Examination.

EXCEPT FROM RULES OF EXAMINATION.

All examinations shall be in writing, both questions and answers. The examination on each book shall consist of not less than 25 nor more than 50 questions of the catechetical order requiring short, specific answers; and not less than 5, nor more than 10, general questions, broad in their scope, so as to give an idea of the real learning and mental grasp of the student. The examination shall be marked on the scale of 100, the combined catechetical questions counting 50, and the combined general questions counting 50 and a mark of 70 on

the whole examination shall be necessary to pass the candidate. (Conference minutes 1894, page 67, amended.)

RESOLUTIONS ADOPTED MARCH 21, 1896.

Resolved 1. "No candidate shall be admitted or advanced in classes with conditions, who has failed in more than one major or two minor studies.

Resolved 2. "In no case shall a candidate for full admission be received nor a candidate for elder's orders be so elected until every requirement shall have been fully met."

RESOLUTION ADOPTED MARCH 27, 1899.

Resolved, That we deem it unwise hereafter to accept certificates of standing in English branches, but will require all candidates to appear before our own Board of Examiners.

SCHEME OF STUDIES.

- Note.* (a) Studies for examination.
 (b) Studies upon which a syllabus is required.
 (c) *Books to be read.

*On all "Books to be Read" in the Local Preacher's Course or Study, a written statement shall be required of the student, said statement to be handed to the Registrar some time during the March Examination.

1. English.—Examiner, Jno. D. Rigg.
 - (a) Reading, Arithmetic, Grammar, Geography, Spelling.
 - (b) Problem of Religious Progress.
2. History.—Examiner, W. J. DuHadway.
 - (a) Leading Facts of American History, Outlines of Universal History (Ancient, Mediaeval, Modern).
 - (b) Short History of the English People.
3. Belle Letters.—Examiner, J. P. Otis.
 - (a) English and American Literature, Rhetoric, Logic, and all Essays.
 - (b) Social Aspects of Christianity.
4. Mental Science.—Examiner, E. P. Roberts.
 - (a) Elements of Psychology, Philosophy of the Plan of Salvation.
 - (b) Life and Epistles of St. Paul.
5. Apologetics.—Examiner, F. P. Harris.
 - (a) Butler's Analogy, Manual of Christian Evidences.
 - (b) History of Rationalism.
6. Methodist Polity.—Examiner, R. K. Stephenson.
 - (a) Discipline, Digest of Methodist Law.
 - (b) The Governing Conference of Methodism, Digest of Methodist Law, The General Conference and Episcopacy, The Epworth League: Four Wonderful Years.
7. Methodist History.—Examiner, W. L. White.
 - (a) Life of John Wesley, History of American Methodism (abridged), History of Methodism (abridged).

- (b) History of Methodism, 3 vols., Missions and Missionary Society of the Methodist Episcopal Church 3 vols., History of the Methodist Episcopal Church 4 vols.
8. Theological Encyclopedia—Examiner, G. E. Wood.
 - (a) Theological Encyclopedia and Methodology, Introduction to the Gospel Records.
 - (b) From Dan to Beer Sheba, Protestant Foreign Missions.
9. Historical Theology.—Examiner, C. T. Wyatt.
 - (a) Smaller Scripture History, History of the Christian Church. Short History of the Christian Church, Outlines of Bible History.
 - (b) Ecclesiastical Architecture.
10. Biblical Theology.—Examiner, H. C. Turner.
 - (a) Harman's Introduction, The Supernatural Book.
 - (b) Christian Archaeology.
11. Exegetical Theology.—Examiner, H. G. Budd.
 - (a) All Studies in Exegesis, Biblical Hermeneutics.
 - (b) Higher Criticism.
12. Systematic Theology.—Examiner, W. O. Hurst.
 - (a) Miley's Systematic Theology, Raymonds Systematic Theology.
 - (b) Historic Episcopate.
13. Doctrinal Theology.—Examiner, L. E. Barrett.
 - (a) Larger Catechism, Christian Baptism.
 - (b) The Tongue of Fire, The Modern Sunday School.
14. Homiletical Theology.—Examiner, W. G. Koons.
 - (a) Extemporaneous Oratory. Preparation and Delivery of Sermons, and all Sermons.
 - (b) Wesley's Sermons.
15. Practical Theology.—Examiner Adam Stengle
 - (a) Doctrinal Aspects of Christian Experience, Plain Account of Christian Perfection. Theological Compend.
 - (b) The Revival and the Pastor, Introduction to Political Economy, the Christian Life.

PLAN FOR THE JUNE EXAMINATION.

- Candidates.—(a) English Branches, History of American Methodism, Sermon.
 (b) Revivals and the Pastor.
- First Year.—(a) Extemporaneous Oratory, Outline of Universal History, Sermon.
 (b) The Governing Conference in Methodism.
- Second Year.—(a) Systematic Theology, Logic, Sermon.
 (b) History of Methodism.
- Third Year.—(a) Hermeneutics, The Supernatural Book, Essay.
 (b) Introduction to Political Economy.
- Fourth Year.—(a) Theological Encyclopedia and Methodology, Manual of Christian Evidences, Essay.

(b) History of Rationalism.

Local Deacons.—(a) History of American Methodism, Theological Compend, Christian Baptism, Digest of Methodist Law, Philosophy of the Plan of Salvation.
PLAN FOR THE JANUARY EXAMINATION.

Candidates.—(a) Sermon, Essay.

(b) Wesley's Sermons, Vol. I., Social Aspects of Christianity, A short History of the English People.

First Year.—(a) Exegetical Studies, Essay.

(b) Wesley's Sermons, Vol. II., The Tongue of Fire, Ecclesiastical Architecture, Problem of Religious Progress.

Second Year.—(a) Exegetical Studies, Essay.

(b) Christian Archaeology, Digest of Methodist Law, Missions and Missionary Society of the Methodist Episcopal Church, 3 vols., The Modern Sunday School, The General Conference and Episcopacy.

Third Year.—(a) Exegetical Studies, Sermon.

(b) From Dan to Beer Sheba, Higher Criticism, the Epworth League; Four Wonderful Years, History of the Methodist Episcopal Church, 4 vols., The Historic Episcopate.

Fourth Year.—(a) Exegetical Studies, Sermon.

(b) Life and Epistles of St. Paul, Protestant Foreign Missions, The Christian Life.

Local Deacons.—(a) Sermon, Essay.

PLAN FOR MARCH EXAMINATION.

Candidates.—Life of John Wesley, Larger Catechism, Discipline, Doctrinal Aspects of Christian Experience, Smaller Scripture History, Leading Facts of American History, English and American Literature.

First Year.—(a) Harmon's Introduction, Systematic Theology, Plain Account of Christian Perfection, Rhetoric.

Second Year.—(a)—Harman's Introduction, Discipline, Outlines of Universal History.

Third Year.—(a) Elements of Psychology, History of the Christian Church.

Fourth Year.—(a) Butler's Analogy, Preparation and delivery of Sermons, History of the Christian Church.

Local Deacons.—(a) Remainder of the entire four years' course prescribed for Local Preachers. (See Discipline, p 373).

Local Elders.—(a) Raymond's Systematic Theology, Hurst's Short History of the Christian Church.

Standing Committees.

- Public Worship*—Robert Watt, F. B. Short, James Crowe, W. L. S. Murray, E. S. Mace.
Education—L. W. Layfield, T. F. Beauchamp, V. P. Northrup, G. W. Woodall.
Bible Society—A. Chandler, E. C. Sunfield, W. W. Sharp, E. H. Collins.
Sunday School and Tract—A. Burke, T. B. Hunter, D. F. Waddell, V. E. Hills.
Sabbath Observance—T. F. Tabler, J. W. Fogle, G. L. Hardesty, T. H. Harding.
Periodicals—I. G. Fosnocht, H. S. Dulaney, W. W. Chaires, G. W. Bounds.
Epworth League—H. C. Turner, W. G. Koons, A. Green, R. T. Coursey.
Temperance—W. P. Compton, W. O. Hurst, W. L. White, F. F. Carpenter.
Stewards' Endowment—R. W. Todd, John France, J. A. Arters, C. F. Sheppard, W. H. Jackson, H. S. Goldey, W. H. Thompson, Harry A. Roe.
Woman's Home Missionary Society—T. C. Smoot, E. W. Caswell, G. W. Woodall, W. F. Dawson.
Freedman's Aid and Southern Education Society—G. T. Alderson, G. W. Bowman, W. S. H. Williams, W. E. Wright.
Missionary Statistics—F. P. Harris, W. B. Guthrie, T. N. Givan, J. W. Talley, E. E. White, J. L. Johnson, G. R. Neese, F. J. Cochran.
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Church Extension—T. S. Holt, L. P. Corkran, T. B. Cooper, J. M. Mitchell.
Woman's Foreign Missionary Society—W. R. McFarlane, A. Smith, D. F. McFaul, F. E. McKinsey.
Philadelphia Hospital—C. F. Sheppard, E. C. Atkins, H. S. Dulany, E. H. Derrickson.
Church Insurance—T. E. Terry, C. P. Swain, S. P. Shipman, J. T. VanBurkalow, Geo. W. Todd, W. H. Jackson, A. G. Cox, John W. Fletcher.

Visiting Committees.

- Dickinson College*—V. P. Northrup, C. P. Swain, G. P. Jones.
Boston University—F. P. Harris, H. G. Budd.
Drew Seminary—G. W. Woodall, W. F. Corkran, G. T. Alderson, H. A. G. Westerfield.
Woman's College—C. W. Prettyman, J. H. Beauchamp, L. E. Barrett.
Morgan's College—E. C. Sunfield, W. P. Compton.
Conference Academy—C. T. Wyatt, W. G. Koons, C. A. Hill.
Princess Anne Academy—S. M. Morgan, E. P. Corkran.

Rules of Order.

I. DUTIES OF THE PRESIDENT.

1. The President shall call the Conference to order, punctually, at all times 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 provisions 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 the General Conference.
3. In an appendix prepared for that purpose, he shall record all reports and documents ordered upon 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 prevailing side, 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 is 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 members of the same as the committee may agree upon, shall be entitled to close the debate.

IV. QUESTIONS TO BE TAKEN WITHOUT DEBATE.

- 1.—All motions, simply, to adjourn.
 - 2.—All motions to lay on the table.
 - 3.—Motions on the "previous question."
 - 4.—Demand for the "yeas and nays."
 - 5.—All appeals from the decision of the President; except that the appellant shall state the reason for his appeal and the President the reason for his ruling.
 - 6.—All motions for extension of time, either of a member on the floor, or the session of 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.

JOURNAL.

Opening.—The thirty-second session of the Wilmington Annual Conference convened in Epworth Methodist Episcopal Church, Wilmington, Del., at 8.30 o'clock Wednesday morning, March 21, 1900, Bishop Edward G. Andrews in the chair. After appropriate opening exercises, Bishop Andrews, assisted by the Presiding Elders and the pastor of the church, administered the Sacrament of the Lord's Supper. The Secretary of the last session called the roll of the Conference and 135 members and probationers answered to their names.

Organization.—On motion of R. W. Todd, A. S. Mowbray was re-elected Secretary by acclamation, and named as his assistants W. A. Wise, Z. H. Webster, R. K. Stephenson; Journal Secretary, J. D. Rigg; Biographical Secretary, E. H. Nelson.

On motion of W. W. Sharp, W. R. Mowbray was re-elected Statistical Secretary, and named as his assistants H. A. G. Westerfield, G. P. Jones, V. P. Northrup, J. H. Geoghegan, L. E. Poole, G. R. Ellis, J. L. Johnson, W. E. Greenfield.

On motion of J. D. C. Hanna, C. A. Grise was re-elected Conference Treasurer, and he named as his assistants R. I. Watkins, H. G. Budd, Edwin Gardner, E. C. Macnichol, J. M. Lindale, T. F. Beauchamp, Aloysius Green, E. C. Atkins, W. B. Copper and H. S. Goldey.

Hours.—On motion of F. B. Short, it was agreed that the Conference meet at 8.30 o'clock and adjourn at 12, the first half hour being used for devotional services.

Standing Committees.—On motion of C. W. Prettyman the Presiding Elders were requested to nominate the usual standing committees. The nominations were then read by Robert Watt and they were confirmed.

American University.—On motion of V. S. Collins, F. J. Cockran was appointed Treasurer of the American University Funds in place of the former Treasurer.

Stewards.—On motion of T. E. Martindale, the Conference proceeded to the election of the ministerial members of the Conference Board of Stewards. Dover District was called, and J. S. Wickline and P. H. Rawlins were put in nomination. The ballot was ordered, C. W. Prettyman, V. S. Collins, H. S. Dulaney and G. L. Hardesty acting as tellers. Easton District was called. J. A. Arters was nominated and elected, the Secretary casting the ballot of the Conference. C. W. Prettyman, of Salisbury District, and John France, of Wilmington District, were likewise elected, the Secretary casting the ballot of the Conference. The tellers returned, and the vote was announced as follows: Total vote cast, 125. P. H. Rawlins received 77, J. S. Wickline 48. Brother Rawlins was declared elected.

Various documents and communications were referred to the appropriate committees.

Apportionments.—On motion of R. W. Todd the Presiding Elders were authorized to arrange the division of the various apportionments to the Conference among the several districts.

Certain accounts of the Western Book Concern were presented and referred to F. X. Moore for collection.

Methodist Review.—W. V. Kelly, D. D., editor of the Methodist Review, was introduced and addressed the Conference concerning his work. After appropriate remarks by G. A. Phoebus, Robert Watt presented the following resolution, which was adopted:

“Resolved, That we have listened with great interest to the address of Dr. W. V. Kelly, editor of the Methodist Review, and we pledge anew our loyal support to the organ he represents.”

H. G. Budd was then appointed to canvass the Conference for subscriptions to the Methodist Review.

Bar.—On motion of W. L. S. Murray, the bar of the Conference was arranged to include the seventh line of pews from the front.

Official Journal.—On motion of A. S. Mowbray, the Conference authorized the Secretaries to make the printed minutes the official journal.

Academy Report.—On motion of C. W. Prettyman the report of the Trustees of the Conference Academy was made the order of the day for Thursday at 10 o'clock.

Rules.—On motion of T. E. Terry the rules for the government of the last session of Conference were adopted for the present session.

General Conference Delegates.—On motion of R. W. Todd the election of delegates to the General Conference was made the order of the day for Friday at 10 o'clock.

Credits.—On motion of R. I. Watkins it was agreed that all Conference students be allowed credits for proper certificate, presented from such of our schools as are commended by the University Senate.

13th Question.—The 13th question, “Was the character of each preacher examined?” was then taken up. It was agreed that the pastors should report the amounts of the Missionary and Conference Claimants collections and whether all collections were taken. The names of the following effective elders were then called, their characters passed and they made their reports.

Dover District.—C. S. Baker, W. P. Taylor, W. G. Koons, T. N. Given, E. C. Macnichol, C. F. Sheppard, J. W. Fogle, J. W. Gray, J. S. Wickline, Alfred Smith, C. S. Baker announced that H. M. Thurlow presented a letter withdrawing from the ministry and membership of the Methodist Episcopal Church, and presented a communication from Brother Thurlow requesting honorable dismissal from the Wilmington Conference and commendation to the Newton Presbytery of New Jersey. On motion of C. S. Baker the request was granted. The call was continued: J. M. Mitchell, I. G. Fosnocht, J. M. Lindale, T. C. Smoot, Z. H. Webster, C. H. Williams, W. A. Wise, Adam Stengle, J. H. Wilson, G. P. Smith, Albert Chandler, W. L. White, V. E. Hills, J. D. Kemp, L. E. Barrett, W. J. DuHadway, J. P. Outten, O. S. Walton, R. K. Stephenson, J. T. Van Burkalow, Harry Taylor, T. F. Beauchamp, J. E. Graham, V. S. Collins, J. R. Todd, E. L. Cross.

Easton District.—W. F. Corkran, J. A. Arters, E. C. Atkins, Edwin Gardner, E. C. Sunfield, J. T. Richardson, O. W. DeVenish, W. S. H. Williams, R. H. Adams, A. P. Prettyman, Aloysius Green, T. A. H. O'Brien, S. P. Shipman, E. R. Sidell, E. W. Caswell, D. F. Waddell, W. O. Hurst, T. B. Cooper, J. R. Cannon, W. B. Guthrie, F. E. McKinsey, J. H. Beauchamp, C. A. Hill, L. W. Layfield, E. P. Roberts, Robert Roe, W. W. Chaires, G. P. Jones, T. F. Tabler.

Salisbury District.—F. E. Martindale, W. O. Bennett, G. G. Senser, H. G. Budd, J. M. Collins, C. W. Strickland, C. T. Wyatt, W. W. Sharp, G. W. Bounds, L. P. Corkran, F. F. Carpenter, H. C. Turner, G. W. Woodall, J. F. Anderson, J. A. Brewington, R. W. Todd, J. D. Reese, E. H. Nelson, Asbury Burke, G. E. Wood, F. C. McSorley, D. H. Willis, G. T. Alderson, F. J. Cochran, G. L. Hardesty, C. W. Prettyman, E. H. Miller, D. F. McFaul, S. M. Morgan, G. R. Neese, C. P. Swain, H. S. Dulaney.

Wilmington District.—Robert Watt, G. S. Conaway, W. H. S. Loller, J. H. Geoghegan, G. W. Burke, W. R. McFarlane, T. B. Hunter, H. S. Thompson, T. E. Terry, G. W. Bowman, T. H. Harding, E. H. Derrickson, W. P. Compton, W. E. Avery, G. W. Townsend, A. S. Mowbray, J. T. Prouse, E. H. Collins, T. S. Holt, James Crowe, J. W. Easley, F. B. Short, Henry Baker, R. T. Coursey, E. S. Mace, V. P. Northrup, J. P. Otis, W. L. S. Murray, F. P. Harris, E. E. White, C. A. Grise, W. F. Dawson, W. R. Mowbray, J. D. C. Hanna, G. F. Hopkins, S. N. Pilchard, Wilmer Jaggard.

C. W. Prettyman, at his own request, was relieved from the Committee on Stewards Endowment Fund and R. W. Todd was appointed in his place.

Methodist Hospital.—On motion of V. S. Collins a committee on the Methodist Hospital of Philadelphia was appointed as follows: C. F. Sheppard, E. C. Atkins, H. S. Dulaney and E. H. Derrickson.

S. M. Morgan requested to be released from the Committee on Education, and on motion of T. E. Martindale, G. W. Woodall was appointed in his place.

22d Question.—The 22d Question, "Who are the Supernumerary Preachers?" was taken up. W. L. P. Bowen, Warren Burr, T. H. Haynes and W. M. Greene were called, their characters passed, their relation continued and their cases referred to the Board of Stewards. E. L. Cross was called and located at his own request, as previously reported. John France was called, his character passed and his relation continued. Upon motion of J. D. C. Hanna, a letter received from T. H. Haynes and read by the Secretary was requested for publication in the Peninsula Methodist.

Church Insurance.—H. P. Megill, Secretary of the National Mutual Church Insurance Association, was introduced and addressed the Conference. On motion of T. E. Martindale the following were appointed a Committee on Church Insurance to confer with Mr. Megill: T. E. Terry, C. P. Swain, S. P. Shipman, J. T. VanBurkalow, George W. Todd, W. H. Jackson, A. G. Cox and J. W. Fletcher.

Drafts.—Bishop Andrews presented drafts on the Book Concern for \$753, and on the Chartered Fund for \$22, which were ordered in favor of the Board of Stewards. The committees were called, various announcements were made and Conference adjourned, Bishop Andrews pronouncing the Benediction.

Thursday Morning, March 22.

Opening.—Conference opened at 8.30 o'clock, F. P. Harris in charge of the devotional services. At 9 o'clock Bishop Andrews took the chair, the roll of the absentees from yesterday's session was called, and, upon motion of C. W. Prettyman, the further calling of the roll was dispensed with. The Journal of yesterday's session was read and approved.

To Nominate Trustees.—On motion of T. A. H. O'Brien, V. S. Collins, R. H. Adams and C. P. Swain were made a committee to nominate persons to fill vacancies in the Board of Trustees of the Conference Academy.

22d Question.—The 22d Question was resumed. The following supernumerary preachers were called, their characters passed and their relation continued: J. B. Merritt, S. J. Morris, J. W. Poole, P. H. Rawlins, J. D. Rigg, A. T. Scott, J. O. Sypherd, J. R. Todd, G. W. Wilcox. On motion of C. S. Baker the case of W. W. Redman was referred to the Committee on Conference Relations. On motion of W. F. Corkran, W. M. Warner was transferred from the supernumerary to the superannuated list at his own request. The cases of J. W. Poole, W. W. Redman, J. D. Rigg, J. O. Sypherd and G. W. Wilcox were referred to the Board of Stewards for favorable consideration.

23d Question.—The 23d Question, "Who are the Superannuated Preachers?" was

taken up. The following superannuated preachers were called, their characters passed and after delightful remarks by several of the number their relation was continued: James Carroll, Edward Davis, James Esgate, J. W. Hammersley, G. A. Phoebus, B. F. Price, W. F. Talbot, W. E. Tomkinson and F. O. B. Wallin.

C. J. Hammitt.—The case of C. J. Hammitt was on motion of H. S. Thompson referred to the Committee on Conference Relations.

F. B. Short called attention to the recent book published by B. F. Price, and requested the Conference to take an interest in the sale of the publication. Harry Mitchell was appointed to canvass the Conference in the interests of Brother Price's book.

On motion of Alfred Smith, laymen who were standing in the rear of the room were invited to occupy vacant seats within the bar of the Conference.

Order of the Day.—The order of the day the report of the Wilmington Conference Academy was then taken up; T. E. Martindale read the report of the Board of Trustees and it was referred to the Committee on Education. V. S. Collins, Principal of the Conference Academy, distributed the printed financial report and addressed the Conference concerning the needs of that institution. Dr. George E. Reed, President of Dickinson College was introduced and addressed the Conference. Dr. J. F. Goucher, President of the Woman's College of Baltimore, was introduced and addressed the Conference.

Introductions.—The following visiting ministers were introduced to the Conference: Rev. T. A. McCurdy, D. D., of the Central Presbyterian Church, Rev. L. T. Weideman D. D., of Baltimore, Rev. W. L. Lewis of the Rodney Street Presbyterian Church, Rev. G. E. Wolfe of the Methodist Protestant Church, Rev. J. H. Winters of the Delaware Conference of the M. E. Church, and Rev. A. E. Hanby of the African Union Methodist Protestant Church. Dr. W. I. Haven, Corresponding Secretary of the American Bible Society, was introduced and addressed the Conference concerning his work.

The committees were called, notices were given, the Doxology was sung and Conference adjourned, Dr. George E. Reed pronouncing Benediction.

Friday Morning, March 23.

Opening.—Conference met at 8.30 o'clock, the devotional services conducted by E. C. Macnichol. At 9 o'clock Bishop Andrews took the chair. The Journal was read and approved.

L. W. Layfield, upon a question of privilege, made a correction in the statement of the Conference Manual concerning the debt on Epworth Church. C. S. Baker called attention to an error in a morning paper, which the representatives of the press were asked to correct.

7th Question.—The Seventh Question, "Who have been Admitted into Full Membership?" was taken up. Omar E. Jones, Floyd E. Bloxton, John W. Jones, Frederick X. Moore, Harry Taylor, Hugh B. Kelso, George R. Ellis, Evert C. Wright, the latter transferred from the St. Louis Conference, were called before the Conference. Bishop Andrews

addressed the class and the Conference in wise and impressive words of instruction and counsel, the usual disciplinary were propounded, they announced their collections, the committees reported, the Presiding Elders represented and they were admitted and elected to Deacons' orders, except Hugh B. Kelso, George R. Ellis and Evert C. Wright, who had already been ordained Deacons. Hugh B. Kelso and George R. Ellis having complied with the disciplinary provisions were elected to Elders' orders.

Order of the Day.—The Order of the Day, the election of General Conference Delegates, was taken up. It was agreed that the selection be made by choice, and that ballots containing more than the required number of names be cast out. J. P. Otis moved that ballots containing less than the required number of names be counted, V. S. Collins moved as a substitute that such ballots be cast out. G. T. Alderson moved the substitute lie on the table. The motion to lie on the table was lost by a count vote of 52 to 83. The substitute was then adopted. It was further agreed that unimportant errors do not destroy a ballot and that in the event of more than the required number of persons receiving more than a majority of the votes cast, the four receiving the highest number shall be declared elected.

J. P. Otis Excused.—J. P. Otis was at his own request excused from service on the Committees on Ministerial Qualification and Freedman's Aid.

General Conference Vote.—Bishop Andrews named the following for tellers: Albert Chandler, S. P. Shipman, W. W. Sharp, J. S. Wickline, R. I. Watkins, J. H. Beauchamp, Asbury Burke, J. W. Easley. The ballot was then taken, and the tellers retired, W. A. Wise and R. K. Stephenson attending as Secretaries.

Dr. McDowell.—Dr. W. F. McDowell, Secretary of the Board of Education, was introduced and addressed the Conference. Robt. Watt presented the following resolution, which was adopted.

Resolved, That we have heard with pleasure and profit the address of Dr. McDowell, the Secretary of the Board of Education, and we welcome him to our conference and pledge him our hearty support in the great cause he represents."

Dr. Smith.—Dr. William T. Smith, Corresponding Secretary of the Missionary Society, was introduced, and addressed the Conference.

Dr. W. L. Davidson, representative of the American University, was introduced and addressed the Conference.

Introductions.—Bishop D. A. Goodsell, Dr. A. J. Palmer, Corresponding Secretary of the Missionary Society, and Dr. W. P. Thirkield were introduced, the latter addressing the Conference concerning his work as Corresponding Secretary of the Epworth League. F. B. Short presented the following resolution, which was adopted:

Resolved, That we have heard Dr. Thirkield with both interest and pleasure, and that we most heartily welcome him to our Conference as the representative of the Epworth League, and wish him the greatest possible success.

General Conference Vote.—The tellers returned and Bishop Andrews announced the vote as follows: Whole number of votes cast, 159; necessary to a choice, 80. Robert

Watt received 103; T. E. Martindale, 93; W. F. Corkran, 93, and C. S. Baker, 80, and were declared elected. The question of precedence between T. E. Martindale and W. F. Corkran was determined by seniority upon motion of W. F. Corkran, the Secretary casting the ballot of the Conference thus giving the place to T. E. Martindale.

Reserve Delegates.—The ballot was thus taken for two reserve delegates and the tellers retired.

13th Question.—The 13th question was resumed, Dover District was called and C. S. Baker P. E. read a report of his work.

Reserve Delegates.—During the reading of the report the tellers returned. Pending the announcement of the vote upon motion of C. W. Prettyman it was agreed that the two receiving the highest number of votes be declared elected. The returns showed whole number of votes cast, 152; necessary to a choice, 77. Of these, A. S. Mowbray received 87, and J. D. C. Hanna, received 46, and were declared elected reserve delegates.

Time Extended.—On motion of W. F. Corkran time was extended. Committees were called, notices were given and Conference adjourned, Bishop Goodsell pronouncing the Benediction.

Saturday Morning, March 24.

Opening.—Conference met at 8.30 o'clock, the devotional services conducted by C. P. Swain. At 9 o'clock Bishop Andrews took the chair. The Journal of yesterday's session was read and approved.

Lay Conference.—On motion of W. F. Corkran, R. H. Adams and C. T. Wyatt were appointed a committee to visit the Lay Electoral Conference now in session, convey greetings and invite that body to meet this Conference either as a body or by delegation at their pleasure. W. L. S. Murray and T. A. H. O'Brien were appointed to respond to the expressions coming from the Laymen.

5th Question.—The Fifth Question, "Who have been Continued on Trial?" was taken up. The following were called, and after the proper reports and representation Andrew H. Covey was continued on trial and advanced to the third year's studies. John L. Johnson and William E. Wright were continued in the second year's studies. Edward N. Cantwell and George W. Dawson were continued on trial in the fourth year's studies. John Jones was on motion of C. S. Baker discontinued at his own request.

8th Question.—The 8th Question, "What Members are in Studies of the Third Year?" was taken up. John W. Prettyman and Daniel J. Givan were called, and after reports and representation they were advanced to studies of the fourth year, the latter conditioned on one study.

10th Question.—The 10th Question, "What Members have Completed the Conference Course of Study?" was taken up. Luther E. Poole, Clarence E. Hastings, Thomas R. VanDyke were passed in all their studies and elected to Elders' orders. James W. Talley

was continued in studies of the fourth year and given credits for the same. The case of Harry Taylor was called up and he was given credit for those studies which he had passed in the third year.

11th Question.—The 11th Question, "What Others have been Elected and Ordained Deacons?" was taken up. Andrew H. Covey, James H. Gardner, Milton McCann, Wm. Ernest Greenfield were called, the proper credentials presented, and they were elected to Deacons' orders as local preachers.

Dr. King.—Dr. J. M. King, Corresponding Secretary Church Extension Society, was introduced and addressed the Conference.

C. F. Sheppard read the report of the Committee on Philadelphia Hospital, pending the adoption of which Dr. J. A. Lippincott, Corresponding Secretary of the Hospital, was introduced and addressed the Conference. The report was then adopted and the Committee, at the request of Dr. Lippincott, was appointed as visitors to the Hospital.

3d Question.—The Third Question, "Who have been received on credentials, and from what churches?" was taken up. Edward H. Dashiell and Oscar L. Martin were introduced. Credentials in due form from the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, were presented, and after full representation they were received, the former as a Deacon and in the third year's studies, and the latter as an Elder.

Introductions.—The following visitors were introduced to the Conference: Dr. T. B. Neely of the Philadelphia Conference, Dr. J. H. Willey of the New York East Conference, Dr. J. B. Hughes and Dr. J. R. T. Gray of the Philadelphia Conference. J. R. Cannon recently transferred from the Blue Ridge Conference was introduced.

To Nominate Board of Domestic Missions.—On motion of G. W. Bounds, W. P. Compton, J. H. Beauchamp, C. F. Sheppard and G. L. Hardesty were appointed a committee to nominate Board of Domestic Missions.

Lay Conference.—At 11.15 o'clock the members of the Lay Electoral Conference came in and were seated in the centre of the church. "I Love Thy Kingdom, Lord," was sung, and Bishop Andrews introduced the two bodies, and in felicitous language presented Chief Justice Charles B. Lore, Chairman of the Lay Electoral Conference, who addressed the assembly. Joseph E. Holland, of Milford, a Provisional Delegate to the General Conference, was introduced and addressed the meeting. Further remarks were made by Delegate Gideon E. Hukill, of Middletown, and Provisional Delegate George A. Cox, of Fairmount. Responses were made on behalf of the Conference by W. L. S. Murray and T. A. H. O'Brien. The Lay Conference then asked the privilege to retire to complete business. The time was extended on motion of W. F. Corkran.

Memorial Service.—Alfred Smith moved the postponement of the Memorial Service to Monday morning. The motion was lost, and it was then agreed that when Conference adjourn it be to meet at 2 o'clock this afternoon for Memorial Service and hearing such reports of committees as may be presented. A subsequent motion to reconsider this action

was defeated. On motion of J. D. C. Hanna it was agreed that all committee notices for afternoon meetings be made to take place at the conclusion of the afternoon services. J. W. Easley was appointed to preside at the afternoon session. Committees were called, notices were given and Conference adjourned, Bishop Andrews pronouncing the Benediction.

Saturday Afternoon.

MEMORIAL SERVICE.

Opening.—Conference met at 2 o'clock, with J. W. Easley in the chair. The devotional services were conducted by T. B. Hunter. "Jesus, Lover of my soul," was sung. After prayer "Abide with me" was sung.

A. D. Davis.—Adam Stengle read the memoir of Andrew D. Davis. Appropriate remarks were made by G. A. Phoebus, W. W. Sharp, E. C. Atkins and G. S. Conaway. On motion of H. S. Thompson the memoir was then adopted.

W. E. England.—The memoir of William E. England was read by W. E. Avery. Remarks were made by W. L. S. Murray, B. F. Price, A. T. Scott and G. A. Phoebus, and the memoir was then adopted.

T. S. Williams.—The memoir of Thomas S. Williams was read by G. W. Townsend. Remarks were made by G. S. Conway, A. S. Mowbray, J. D. C. Hanna, and on motion of L. E. Barrett the memoir was adopted.

E. H. Hynson.—No regular memoir of E. H. Hynson being at hand, on motion of W. L. S. Murray, the Presiding Elder in the case, was requested to have prepared for the minutes a suitable paper. Remarks were made by Alfred Smith, H. S. Thompson, T. C. Smoot, W. R. McFarlane.

Henry Sanderson.—Henry Sanderson's death was announced and a memoir was read by C. A. Grise. The memoir was then adopted.

On motion of R. H. Adams the Trustees of the Conference Academy were excused to attend a meeting at St. Paul's Church.

Mrs. Caswell.—Alfred Smith presented the memoir of Mrs. Mary H. Caswell, which was adopted.

Mrs. Harding.—L. E. Barrett presented the memoir of Mrs. Kate M. Harding, which was adopted.

Mrs. Pierson.—The Presiding Elder of Wilmington District was requested to have a suitable memoir prepared in the case of Mrs. Eliza Pierson. Notices were given, and on motion of A. S. Mowbray, Conference adjourned.

Monday Morning.

Opening.—Conference met at 8.40 o'clock, H. C. Turner in charge of the devotional services. At 9 o'clock Bishop Andrews took the chair. The Journal of Saturday's sessions was read and approved.

Salisbury District.—T. E. Martindale, Presiding Elder of Salisbury District, read the report of his work for the past year.

Wilmington District.—Robert Watt, Presiding Elder of Wilmington District, read the report of the work of his district.

Certificate of Ordination.—Bishop Andrews presented Certificates of Ordination as follows:

This certifies that in Wilmington, Del., on Sunday, March 25th, 1900, the following persons were duly ordained Deacons by the undersigned, viz.: Omar E. Jones, Floyd E. Bloxton, Frederick X. Moore, John W. Jones, Harry Taylor, A. Howard Covey, James H. Gardner, Milton McCann, William Ernest Greenfield, and that at the same place and time the following persons were ordained Elders by the undersigned, assisted by several Elders, namely: Luther E. Poole, Clarence E. Hastings, Thomas R. VanDyke, Hugh B. Kelso, George R. Ellis.

Given under my hand this 26th day of March.

EDW. G. ANDREWS.

General Conference Entertainment.—A communication from the Committee on the entertainment of the General Conference was read by the Secretary, after which, on motion of W. F. Corkran, the Presiding Elders were requested to call the attention of the pastor of the charges which are deficient on the General Conference expenses and urge them to raise and forward the same before May 1st.

Episcopal Fund.—A communication from the Treasurer of the Episcopal Fund was read by the Secretary and the apportionment of \$1,790 was directed to be apportioned among the various charges.

30th Question.—The Thirtieth Question, "Where shall the next Conference be held?" was taken up. Easton, Seaford and St. Michaels were put in nomination. After representation by the Pastor of each charge, R. H. Adams withdrew the nomination of Easton in favor of the other places. The vote was then taken, Seaford receiving 69 and St. Michael's 57. On motion of C. A. Grise the vote for Seaford was made unanimous.

Dr. Mason.—Dr. M. C. B. Mason, Secretary of the Freedman's Aid and Southern Education Society was introduced and addressed the Conference.

To Go to School.—Bishop Andrews presented the names of C. E. Hastings and O. E. Jones who were requested to be left without appointments to attend our schools.

Amusements.—R. W. Todd presented the following Resolution which was adopted.

WHEREAS, It has been proposed to so change our Discipline as to expunge the specific interdicts therein contained relating to theatre-going, dancing, card playing, etc., and

WHEREAS, Such action would be interpreted as weakening the disciplinary and scriptural rule against seeking such recreations and taking such diversions as "cannot be used in the name of the Lord Jesus," and would be interpreted as favorable to a hurtful license and against the healthful exercise of discipline, and

WHEREAS, The recently published address of our chief pastors cites the prevailing laxity as to these dissipating diversions as one cause of our failure, as a church, in spiritual aggressiveness and success; therefore, be it

Resolved, That the Wilmington Conference hereby enters its emphatic and uncomprom-

ising protest against such amendments, and that we instruct our delegates to the approaching General Conference to resist, by all means in their power, any such proposed change in the Discipline of the Methodist Episcopal Church.

Conference Relations.—F. C. McSorley presented a partial report of the Committee on Conference Relations, recommending that C. J. Hammitt be continued on the list of superannuated ministers, and that he be asked to locate. The report was adopted and the Secretary requested to notify him.

Conference Academy Trustees.—V. S. Collins presented the report of the Committee to nominate persons to fill vacancies in the Board of Trustees of the Conference Academy, as follows: R. I. Watkins, Alfred Smith, T. E. Terry, W. L. S. Murray, Robert Watt, G. L. Hardesty, R. K. Stephenson, C. S. Baker, the first four being those whose terms had just expired. Each of the last four requested not to be considered, and on motion of W. F. Corkran the Secretary was directed to cast the ballot of the Conference for R. I. Watkins, Alfred Smith, T. E. Terry, W. L. S. Murray, to fill the vacancies, and it was done.

Nominations.—V. S. Collins presented the following resolution, which, after amendment, on motion of W. F. Corkran was adopted:

Resolved, That no Committee on Nominations for any of our Conference Boards and incorporated societies shall be made until after official notice has been received that there is a vacancy.

Resolved, That no such Nominating Committee shall be named by an individual from the floor of the Conference.

Resolved, That such Nominating Committee shall present to the Conference twice the number of names required to fill the vacancies.

Bible Society.—W. W. Sharp read the report of the Committee on Bible Society, which after slight amendment and full discussion was adopted.

Woman's Home Missionary Society.—E. W. Caswell presented the report of the Committee on Woman's Home Missionary Society, which, after the elimination of the part referring to the Domestic Missionary Funds, was adopted.

Education.—L. W. Layfield presented the report of the Committee on Education, which was adopted.

Epworth League.—Aloycius Green presented the report of the Committee on Epworth League, which was adopted.

Introductions.—Dr. W. P. Davis, of the New Jersey, and Drs. T. S. Thomas, C. W. Bickley, W. Downey and L. D. McClintock, of the Philadelphia Conference, were introduced to the Conference.

Afternoon Session.—On motion of R. W. Todd it was agreed that when the Conference adjourn it be to meet at 2.30 this afternoon.

Final Session.—On motion of W. L. S. Murray it was agreed that a session be held tomorrow morning to hear the appointments.

Periodicals.—H. S. Dulany presented the report of the Committee on Periodicals, which was adopted.

Conference Education Society.—T. A. H. O'Brien presented the nominations for the Conference Education Society officers and Board, and the same were confirmed.

Treasurer's Report.—C. A. Grise presented his report as Conference Treasurer, and it was adopted.

To Preside.—C. W. Prettyman was appointed to preside at the afternoon session. Committees were called, notices were given and Conference adjourned with the Doxology, Bishop Andrews pronouncing the Benediction.

Monday Afternoon.

Opening.—Conference opened at 2.30 o'clock, with C. W. Prettyman in the chair. Robert Roe conducted the devotional services.

Sunday School Union.—V. E. Hills presented the report of the Committee on Sunday School Union and Tract Society, which was adopted.

Church Insurance.—T. E. Terry made verbal report of the Committee on Insurance.

Conference Stewards.—P. H. Rawlins presented the report of the Board of Stewards, which was adopted, and the amounts appropriated were distributed to the claimants. E. H. Nelson and Jay Williams, Esq., were appointed as trustees of the funds, respectively, of Annie D. Chatham and the children of James Conner.

Church Trustees.—W. L. S. Murray presented the following resolutions:

WHEREAS, The last General Assembly of the State of Delaware repealed the law authorizing the election of Church Trustees which had been in use for 115 years; and,

WHEREAS, The same body enacted in lieu thereof a law referring the whole matter to the law of each denomination, Protestant and Catholic; and,

WHEREAS, Our Church law in such cases takes the election away from the laity and authorizes the Pastor or Presiding Elder to nominate and the Quarterly Conference to confirm; therefore be it

Resolved, That ¶ 301 of the Discipline be so amended that the local Church may have the right to vote for Trustees without nomination of the Pastor or Presiding Elder whenever the membership of the church may so elect.

Resolved, That our Delegates to the General Conference be instructed to present this memorial and do what they can to have this amendment adopted.

After full discussion the resolutions were lost by a count vote of 38 to 45.

Conference Missionary Society.—F. C. McSorley presented the report of the Conference Missionary Society, which was adopted.

Church Extension.—C. T. Wyatt presented the report of the Conference Board of Church Extension, which was adopted.

Woman's Foreign Missionary Society.—W. R. McFarlane presented the report of the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society, which was adopted.

Statistics.—The Statistical Secretary made a statement, and upon motion of V. S. Collins it was ordered that the Statistical Secretary and the Treasurer be directed to close their sheets at noon on Friday of the session of Conference, and that reports and moneys not in

by that time be not received. The Statistical Secretary then made his report, which was adopted. On motion of J. D. C. Hanna a collection was taken to pay the expenses of the Statistical Secretary and the Treasurer, amounting to \$21.05.

Freedman's Aid.—W. E. Wright presented the report of the Freedman's Aid and Southern Education Society and it was adopted.

Audits.—G. P. Smith presented the report of the Auditing Committee, which was adopted. On motion of T. F. Beauchamp the chair appointed a Committee on Thanks as follows: T. F. Beauchamp, G. W. Townsend, C. F. Sheppard.

Reports Edited.—On motion of V. S. Collins the Secretary was granted permission to edit the Reports for the Minutes.

Notices were given and Conference adjourned, R. K. Stephenson pronouncing the Benediction.

Tuesday Morning.

Opening.—Conference met at 8.30 o'clock, J. W. Easley conducting the devotions. At 9 o'clock Bishop Andrews called the Conference to order. The Journal was read and approved.

Temperance.—W. P. Compton presented the report of the Committee on Temperance, which was considered by items. The first resolution was then adopted. The second resolution was fully discussed and lost by a count vote, 47 to 69. Resolution 3 was read, and on motion of H. G. Budd was amended by striking out the personal references therein and was adopted. Resolution 4 was adopted. Resolution 5 was amended and then adopted. Resolution 6 was amended and then adopted.

Thank Offering.—J. D. C. Hanna presented his report as Secretary of the Twentieth Century Thank Offering, which was adopted. John France, Chairman of the Twentieth Century Thank Offering Committee, presented his report and it was adopted. W. L. S. Murray expressed a vote of thanks from the Board of Trustees of the Conference Academy to the Secretary of the Twentieth Century Thank Offering. On motion of J. D. C. Hanna the committee of last year on Twentieth Century Thank Offering was re-elected.

Domestic Missions.—C. F. Sheppard presented the report of the committee to nominate the Board of Domestic Missions and it was adopted.

Steward's Endowment.—C. F. Sheppard presented the report of the Committee on Steward's Endowment Fund. H. S. Goldey was invited to speak. The report was adopted.

Sabbath Observance.—T. F. Tabler presented the report of the Committee on Sabbath Observance and it was adopted.

Church Extension.—T. S. Holt presented the report of the Committee on Church Extension and it was adopted.

Presiding Elders.—The following resolution was presented by R. W. Todd and adopted:

WHEREAS, At its session of 1896 this Conference, with practical unanimity, adopted the following paper, to wit:

"Resolved, That no pastor should be appointed to a charge by a Bishop without the concurrent vote of a majority of the Presiding Elders.

"Resolved, That the Annual Conference should annually nominate the Presiding Elders for appointment by the Bishop.

"Resolved, That our delegates to the General Conference be and are hereby instructed to prepare a memorial embodying the two resolutions above for presentation to that body; and, by voice and vote, to recommend a change in the discipline to secure the result desired." Therefore be it

Resolved, That the present Conference of 1900 hereby reaffirms the principles embodied in the aforesaid resolutions, and that we re-adopt the same and instruct our present delegates accordingly.

Conference Relations.—F. C. McSorley presented the report of the Committee on Conference Relations in the case of W. W. Redman, expressing his desire to be continued in the supernumerary list, and it was agreed to.

4th Question.—The 4th Question, "Who have been Received on Trial?" was taken up. Joseph E. Gallagher, Howard Davis, Clarence N. Jones, John M. Arters, William C. Poole, Norman C. Benson, Frank N. Faulkner, Goldsborough W. Hastings, Wm. Ernest Greenfield were called before the Conference, reports and representations were made and they were received on trial.

Examiners.—R. I. Watkins presented the nominations of persons to fill vacancies in the Board of Conference Examiners and they were appointed by Bishop Andrews.

Triers of Appeals.—Robert Watt presented nominations for Triers of Appeals and various Boards, and they were approved.

Missionary Appropriations.—T. E. Martindale presented the report of the Appropriations of Missionary money, and it was confirmed as follows: Wilmington District, Swedish Mission, \$350. Easton District, Royal Oak, \$100; Piney Neck, \$50; Tunis' Mills, \$50. Dover District, Salem, \$100; Lakesville, \$120; Salisbury District, Cape Charles, \$170; Parksley, 150; Powellville, \$30; Marion, 30.

I concur in the above appropriations.

E. G. ANDREWS.

Collections.—A collection was taken for the sexton and balance due the officers of the Conference amounting to \$37.19.

Ministerial Qualification.—On motion of V. S. Collins the Committee on Ministerial Qualifications was continued during the year.

Thanks.—T. F. Beauchamp presented the following expression of thanks which was adopted.

In these the closing hours of the thirty-second session of our Annual Conference, we would express our appreciation to all who have contributed to make the session so delightful.

Too much cannot be said in praise of Epworth's young and active Pastor, who has been so untiring in his efforts for our comfort and entertainment.

We thank the Trustees of this and other churches who have opened their doors for the accommodation of our committees.

The Secretaries and their assistants, the Treasurer and his assistant and the various Committees have been so diligent in labors and have offered reports reflecting so creditably upon our Conference that we cannot find words to express our appreciation of their work.

The reporters, so far as we have been able to learn, have given us a fair and correct account of our proceedings. We thank them.

We desire especially to mention the splendid postal and telephone facilities and the obliging attendants who have so faithfully cared for our mail.

The inspiring music of Epworth's sweet singers has thrilled and delighted us. May many souls be helped into the Kingdom by their songs of love and praise.

The managers of the several railroad companies of our territory who have made special arrangements for our transportation merit our gratitude.

The sexton of this church has faithfully performed his duties, and we must show our appreciation by the Twentieth Century movement as illustrated by Dr. McDowell.

Our beloved Bishop Andrews has given us a wise and impartial administration. We thank him therefor, also for his timely address to the Class of Deacons and his helpful sermon of Sunday. May God wonderfully comfort and sustain him in his ripening years.

To the generous and open-hearted citizens of Wilmington of all the churches who have opened their homes for our entertainment, we desire to express our sincerest thanks, and will carry to our homes the most pleasant memories of our delightful stay among them.

T. L. Tomkinson of the Central Pennsylvania Conference was introduced.

On motion of T. E. Martindale the Presiding Elders were made a committee on Railroad rates.

Memorial Session.—On motion of V. S. Collins the Committee on Conference Arrangements was requested to provide for the Memorial service at a morning session of the Conference.

Adjournment.—On motion of T. E. Martindale it was agreed that after devotional services and the reading of the appointments that Conference stand adjourned.

Bishop Andrews then offered prayer, addressed the Conference, read the appointments, and Conference adjourned with the Benediction.

Edward G. Andrews,
President.

A. S. Mowbray,
Secretary.

Reports.

Dover District.

With gratitude to Almighty God for His guiding mercy, I present the following report of the work on the Dover District:

The health of most of the preachers and their families has been graciously preserved. There have been exceptions to this rule, however, in a few parsonage homes. Early in the year the family of Bro. O. S. Walton was stricken with scarlet fever, and in a few days the youngest child was taken away. About the first of July Bro. W. A. Wise, of Harrington, was suddenly seized with an attack of sciatica and was wholly unable to fill his pulpit for about three months. In November last Bro. J. M. Lindale was prostrated by severe illness, and for many weeks was incapable of work. The wife of Bro. E. H. Truitt, our supply on Salem Circuit, is now slowly recovering her health, after a prolonged illness during which her life was despaired of. One superannuated preacher, Rev. A. D. Davis, a man of God, whom we all delighted to honor, has been called to his eternal reward. His death occurred April 13th at his home in Georgetown.

There have been a few changes in pastoral appointments since our last session. In June Bishop Foss transferred Rev. J. L. Nelson to the East Maine Conference in exchange for Rev. V. E. Hills, who was sent to Lincoln City. On August 1st, Rev. John Jones, a probationer of the first year, resigned the pastorate of Canterbury charge and at the same time withdrew from our church and ministry. Rev. E. C. Wright was taken from Armory Church, Dover, to serve Canterbury the remainder of the year, and Armory was supplied by Rev. Fred. Spencer. In November Rev. H. M. Thurlow resigned the East New Market charge and tendered his withdrawal from our church and ministry, and that charge has since been most acceptably filled by Rev. C. W. Smith.

Children's Day Services were held in nearly every church on the District with gratifying results. The pastors have given special attention to the apportionments for the Conference Academy, and though larger than in any previous year, these apportionments have been fully met in nearly every charge.

The disposition to observe Easter Sunday as a day for a special missionary offering is growing and will be more generally observed this year than formerly.

Camp-meetings have been held at Camden, Wheatley's, Concord, Sand Hills, Zoar, Tindall's, Rehoboth and Crapo. The preaching was of a high order, and reports showed that many souls were saved.

The District Epworth League Convention was held at Dover in October and was a well attended and helpful gathering. There are at present 47 Senior Chapters with 2,333 members and 27 Junior Chapters with 1,204 members.

On March 8th the Woman's Home Missionary Society held its Annual Session in Dover. The attendance was large and reports were of a high order indicating the noble work that is being done by that organization. There has been some improvement in the financial conditions under which we have labored this year, but the peach crop, a recognized staple product on this peninsula, registered another total failure. This failure had its effect, not only upon commercial enterprise generally, but upon church work in particular, the first always to feel the effect of any financial stringency.

The most gratifying feature to me of the District work has been the wide spread and gracious revivals of religion that have come to every charge with one or two exceptions.

Galestown charge has had another prosperous year under the supervision of Bro. J. L. Johnston. Improvements have been made amounting to \$925, and all paid. Revivals occurring at each of the churches, and 158 conversions are reported with a large increase in the collections.

During a severe storm one afternoon last May Ebenezer Church on Crapo Circuit was struck by lightning and completely destroyed. There was no insurance. This was a severe blow to the people, but they are rebuilding. Rev. J. W. Gray closes his third year with an increase on salary and missionary collection, and 42 conversions.

T. S. Barrett has done a hard year's work on Hooper's Island. To the four churches of his charge on as many different islands he has walked through rain and snow, mud and mosquitoes, and comes to this Conference with \$88 paid on improvements, \$43 on old debts, the collections nearly doubled, and 22 conversions. Two sister churches in competition with him have been forced to go out of business.

Elliott's Island has had a successful year. The pastor, Hugh B. Kelso, reports \$50 improvement to church property, thirteen conversions and the collections largely increased over last year. Lakeville Circuit is a large and difficult one to work, but Bro. Buckson, to whose resources and energy there seems to be no limit, has closed his third successful year, with \$150 for improvements, \$65 on old debts, twenty-six conversions, and benevolences advanced.

Through the labors of J. W. Prettyman Church Creek Circuit has had a wonderful uplift. Each of the four church has been renovated at a cost of \$300, all paid, and a revival of religion has visited the charge, resulting in 125 conversions.

W. P. Taylor and the people of Beckwith have been mutually happy and the work has prospered. Speddin's Church has been renovated at a cost of \$169, and it is proposed to extensively remodel and repair Beckwith next year. There were thirty-two souls saved in the revival efforts, a splendid increase in the collections, and a new Sunday school library purchased costing \$50.

The historic old Salem Church in Dorchester County, where Freeborn Garretson made some interesting chapters in Methodist history, had become much dilapidated. Bro. H. E. Truitt set himself to the task of repairing it. He was much opposed and maligned while carrying on the work, but it went on, and the old unsightly structure was transformed into a modern and neat one at a cost of \$608, all paid. A small increase in collections and 15 conversions.

Bro. VanBurkalow comes to Conference smiling because of a successful year at Vienna, one of the most difficult charges of the conference.

On the first Sunday in December C. W. Smith took hold of the work as supply at East New Market, with practically three months before him till Conference and a year's work to be done in that time if any sort of a creditable showing was to be made. He was the man for the hour and the place. Although a young man, he addressed himself to the task before him with the skill of a master, and in three short months has wrought a wonderful transformation in all departments of the church.

Early in Dr. Macnichol's pastorate at Cambridge a forward movement was started for Methodism in that church, and the pace then set has been more than maintained this year. Improvements amounting to \$200 have been made and paid, the collections advanced on last year and 53 conversions are the features of the year.

Hurlock charge has eclipsed all former records. They began the year well by advanc-

ing the pastor's salary \$200. It was soon decided to remodel and enlarge the church. This was done by erecting lecture and Sunday school rooms, thus nearly doubling the seating capacity of the church. At the time of dedication in February every dollar was provided for and \$3,000 has already been paid. Both Bro. Chandler and the people deserve much praise for the success of this enterprise. The pastor rejoices in 67 conversions as a result of revival work. The notable feature of the work at Preston has been the successful revival at Chopbank, there having been 55 conversions. Williamsburg reports \$75 for improvements, \$150 paid on old debts, \$50 advance on salary and 15 conversions. At Federalsburg, Bro. Lindale has had a successful year, as a revival, in which there were 80 conversions, indicated; \$50 expended for improvements and all interests sustained.

Bro. Wickline reports \$900 paid on old debt and 35 conversions at Denton. Steps were taken in the fall looking to the removal of Thawley's Church, on Burrisville Circuit, to Hickman, a station on the Queen Anne Railroad. A suitable lot was donated by Bro. W. R. Peters, and the church was moved and repaired at a cost of \$200, all paid. The pastor, Thomas N. Given, has had 123 conversions on the charge and advanced the collections.

The pastor of Williston, T. F. Beauchamp, is a firm believer in expansion and has vigorously exercised himself along that line. He leads the district with 224 conversions and a large interest in the connectional interests, with \$60 paid for improving.

The pastor of Harrington, W. A. Wise, reports \$50 on improving, \$160 on cancellation of old debts and 27 conversions. The collections all up to the usual good record.

The outlook for Farmington charge brightens all the time, indeed it is one of the best circuits. Bro. Fosnacht closes his third successful year there, and both himself and wife were cordially invited to return. Thirty-five conversions, \$140 for improvements and \$100 on old debt. Bro. C. H. Williams has successfully led the Lord's hosts on Greenwood Circuit, as indicated by 44 conversions and a liberal increase in the collections. Another year of industrious, wise and successful labor has been given to Bridgeville by Bro. Koons. The church shows increasing development in all departments, and notably in effectiveness of organization.

Bro. J. W. Fogle has devotedly labored on Cannon's Charge, and, been rewarded by having 56 conversions, the spiritual life of the entire charge quickened and paid \$12 on debts.

On Seaford Charge there has been a gracious revival, during which 102 were saved, and making the second large revival during Bro. Stephenson's pastorate at that place \$100 paid on improvements, and an advance in collections.

It will be remembered that just before our last Conference both the Church and parsonage at Houston were destroyed by fire. There was no insurance on the church, and only a small one on the parsonage. Through the zeal and liberality of pastor and people new and more commodious structures have been erected and stand as inspiring monuments to the faith and sacrifice of the peoples. The church is a gem of beauty, built of brick and thoroughly modern in all its furnishings. Its total cost was about \$4000, most of which was provided for on day of dedication. Bro. G. P. Smith, the pastor reports 9 conversions and all collections well sustained.

Dr. Barrett's second year at Milford has been spent on a rising tide of popularity and success. There has been improvement in all departments of church work and 50 conversions have crowned the years' labor. V. E. Hills is a transfer from the East Maine Conference and served Lincoln City since the first of July. He has labored incessantly with the result that 60 have been converted, \$70 paid for improvements and advance on the collections. Bro. Mitchell has faithfully served Ellendale and sustained all departments of the work, and had 29 conversions with \$60 raised for improvements.

At Milton there have been 38 conversions and \$150 on debts, and the whole church is in splendid condition as a result of Bro. DuHadway's skillful leadership. Lewes has become one of our stronger charges, and the trend is yet onward at this city by the sea. And advance has been made in collections, 11 conversions, and \$115 for improvements. Nassau Circuit has experienced a helpful year. Thirty-six souls have found peace in Jesus, \$240 paid for improvements, and \$120 on old debts, and the salary advanced \$100. For successful financing and prompt weekly payment of pastor's salary, Georgetown Methodism leads the District if not the Conference. The spirituality of the church is of the best. Bro. Stengle has led the victory this year, sustaining the splendid record of last year, and reports 10 conversions, and \$150 paid on debts.

Bro. J. H. Wilson has had 102 conversions on Georgetown Circuit, bought a parsonage on which \$300 has been paid, and improved the same to the extent of \$125, all paid.

It has been a great year on Zoar Circuit, over which J. E. Gallagher has had charge as supply. The revivals resulted in 108 conversions, the collections increased more than 400 per cent., leading the district. For the first time in years the salary, which was increased \$75, has been paid.

Bro. Smoot closes his second year at Felton with good congregations, an increase in collections and with 26 conversions. There have been no special developments at Frederica during the year, but the work has been well sustained by Bro. Webster, who is recognized as a devout and faithful minister of the Lord Jesus. \$200 paid for improvements. With decided opposition on the part of the official Board to raising the collections to the former figures reported, Bro. Kemp comes up victor from Magnolia, and the people did not even realize they had done so. Success is ever the reward for wise and faithful leadership. In addition there has been raised \$75 on improvements and 15 conversions. The pastor of Canterbury charge reports 20 souls converted in revival work, but a small decrease in collections, due in part to not having been properly looked after early in the year.

Success has been achieved at Camden, where Bro. Sheppard has closed his third year. There have been 27 conversions and no loss on collections. J. E. Graham has closed his fourth year at Wyoming, and makes an excellent report for the year. A splendid increase in collections, \$42 for improvements, \$336 paid on old debts, and 139 conversions. The salary is paid in full, which is also an improvement. W. E. Wright has given Leipsic a year of hard labor in a hard field. An old debt against the church, amounting to \$1,070, has been cancelled, in opposition to the wishes of many of the people. Bro. Wright is a hero. He has done more work for less pay than any other man in the Conference. He has toiled incessantly, having made 1100 pastoral visits, riding on the bicycle over poor roads, all weathers, over 2000 miles from May to March, visiting a parish 10 miles long by 5 miles wide.

Armory Church, Dover, has had 54 conversions, a new heater costing \$104 has been put in and an old debt of \$900 has been substantially provided for. Wesley Church, Dover, has had a successful year. Dr. Alfred Smith has been abundant in labors and victory has crowned his efforts. \$411 paid for improvements, \$500 on old debt and 43 conversions reported. At time of writing this report I have not heard from Little Creek. And what is the conclusion of the whole matter. Ten charges have increased pastors' salaries all the way from \$25 to \$200 each, improvements to church property made amounting to \$15,600, old debts paid to the amount of \$4,018, collections increased \$500, and, chief of all, about 2100 souls have found peace in Christ.

Within the district is located the Wilmington Conference Academy, with a total enrolment of students for the year 1898-9 of 155, Faculty of nine teachers and preceptress. Total

receipts for the school year, \$17,791.71; total expenditures for the school year, \$17,363.90; net gain for year, \$427.81; value of property, \$90,000; insurance, \$52,500.

The special contributions to the Twentieth Century Thank Offering Fund, other than improvements and old debts on the district, have amounted to \$2,178.08 in cash and subscriptions. The Conference Secretary, Dr. Hanna, has visited every charge on the District and has been cordially received by our people.

I am glad to state that the utmost peace and harmony have prevailed on the District. No company of preachers ever toiled more assiduously than have those on the Dover District this year, and the noble army of laymen has responded cheerfully and generously. My relations with my brethren have been of the most pleasant character, and this is true of both ministry and laity. I wish to return my hearty thanks to them all for the many courtesies shown me, and I pray that the Great Head of the Church may keep them in peace and guide the District on to the fullest measure of her wonderful possibilities.

C. E. BAKER, P. E.

Easton District.

In submitting this my third annual report of the Easton District I note the changes which have taken place in the pastoral appointments since the same were announced one year ago. Bro. Julius Dodd, who was assigned to Chestertown, sought and secured a transfer to the New Jersey Conference in June, and E. C. Sunfield, of that Conference, was transferred to Chestertown. A similar exchange was made in the month of October between Dr. I. L. Wood, of Middletown, Del., and Dr. E. W. Caswell, of Norwich, Conn. Church Hill was left to be supplied, but in April Bishop Foss transferred Rev. J. T. Richardson from the East Maine Conference to fill the vacancy. Pomona was early supplied by Rev. J. R. Cannon, of Blue Ridge Conference, who was formally transferred to our Conference. In October Bro. Omar E. Jones resigned his charge at Ingleside to attend the Wesleyan University, and the vacancy was filled by his father, a local preacher of experience and ability. O. T. Baynard, who was supplying Queenstown, gave up his work in September to attend Washington College, and the vacancy was filled by the transfer of Bro. W. C. Poole from Tunis' Mills, and the vacancy thus made at Tunis' Mills was filled by Bro. N. C. Benson. All these changes were made without the slightest friction at any point and without apparently impeding the progress of the work. The district as it now stands is well manned, and the work has gone forward at every point with a good measure of satisfaction. Peace and prosperity have been ours from the beginning of the year until the present.

The Easton District has responded to the call of the Bishops for \$20,000,000 and 2,000,000 souls with an offering, this first of the three years of Thank Offering, of 1600 souls, nearly one-third of the required number, and about \$9,000 of her \$40,000 of the \$20,000,000. The flood tide of business and financial prosperity, of which we hear so much and which is a reality in many sections of the country, has not reached our district as yet. Indeed, this year has been one of the hardest of our experience. The peach crop utterly failed, the wheat crop was small in quantity and low in price; tomatoes and small fruits were abundant, but the glut of the market left them to decay in the fields. The oyster was a great disappointment this year, so that our people are really in the grip of hard times. Yet the brightening horizon inspires faith and hope, and these have moved our people to lay upon God's altar a larger offering of their substance than ever before in the history of the district. This offering, with the faith and devotion which prompted it, God has honored by opening the heavens and

pouring out great spiritual showers for the upbuilding of believers and the salvation of sinners. The work done on the district is recorded in heaven, we believe; but we are persuaded it will be both interesting and profitable to rehearse the more salient points of progress in each charge for earthly records.

Bayside has been well served by A. L. Gray. Some minor improvements have been made to church property; the collections are well in advance of last year.

Centreville has had a good year, the thank offering amounts to \$295. \$172 has been expended on improvements, \$50 added to the salary by the home church, and 98 souls converted. The Wye Camp, held in August, was a real benediction to the charge and the regions round about. Sixty-two souls were converted, and many believers renewed their consecration. Bro. Atkins is a master leader of men. Cheswold needs a new parsonage and public sentiment is rife for it, but the desired lot cannot be secured as yet. To Bro. Gardner's work the charge has responded with 16 conversions and a good offering for the Benevolences.

Chestertown was made a station one year ago and notwithstanding the fact that it was unsettled by a change of pastors in June, work has gone steadily forward. Bro. Sunfield quickly seized the reins when Brother Dodd laid them down, and has shown himself a master in skillful management and indomitable energy. Every interest of the church was taken on renewed life and hope, 63 souls have been converted, \$146 has been invested in the Sunday School Library and the Benevolences have had diligent attention.

Church Hill was without a pastor for a few weeks at the beginning of the year, but with the in-coming of Bro. Richardson the people were soon made to feel that they had a master at the helm, and the work moved on splendidly. The home church was rebuilt during the summer at a cost of \$1,800, which gives the people of Church Hill a beautiful, convenient, and modern church building. About \$1000 of necessary funds were realized from a legacy, and the balance has been paid by the people which was no small draft upon their limited resources. The pastor was the wise and determined leader in this enterprise. The benevolences are up to the good record of last year, and 35 conversions are recorded. Bro. Richardson is a valuable accession to our Conference.

Clayton has paid an old indebtedness \$350, paid the salary in full without resorting to the bank, advanced her benevolences, gathered some converts and has plainer sailing than ever. Bro. DeVenish is the efficient happy pastor. Bro. W. S. H. Williams' first year has been one of much toil for him, but of much profit to Cordova Charge. More than \$300 has been raised on old debts and improvements, the collections handsomely increased 49 souls converted, and all the business interests of the charge adjusted.

The readjustment of Crumpton charge a year ago has worked well. Bro. Bloxton, the pastor, is a strong man physically, intellectually and spiritually and a genius in financiering. How he succeeded in raising \$936 on this charge, this year, for the improvement of church property, and the bulk of it at Crumpton, no one but himself can explain. Union Church has been repainted, repapered and recarpeted. Double Creek has been similarly improved, while Crumpton has been put in elegant condition. A creditable advance on the benevolences and fifty souls converted.

Last year Easton honored God in handsomely refitting her church building; this year God has honored Easton with the manifestation of His glory in refitting the spiritual house. Within the last twelve months there has been a revolution in the spiritual life of this church—38 souls have been converted, the collections are well up, the salary advanced from \$1,000 to \$1,200, and Easton has moved out to recover her heritage.

Fairlee is a church taken from Pomona charge one year ago. The change was desired

and has been well sustained. J. M. Arters is the popular and successful pastor. The salary was advanced \$150 and promptly paid, the benevolences are up to the apportionments, and 25 conversions are reported. This bids fair to be a delightful single man's charge.

Two years ago Bro. Prettyman found Galena at low water mark, but under his wise and inspiring leadership the tide has been gradually but surely rising until the sigh of despair has given place to the song of hope. This year culminates in a glorious revival, in which 53 souls have been converted, \$150 raised for improvements and the benevolences up to the high standard of last year.

Golts has had a prosperous year under the care of Daniel Wilson, a supply, and benevolences are much in advance of former years.

Bro. Green and Greensboro have worked happily together for three years, and every interest of the church has prospered from the beginning, but this year has been specially prosperous. Benevolences have made a handsome advance, and a revival of great sweep and power gathered in 125 converts and greatly quickened the church.

Under the leadership of Bro. O'Brien Hillsboro charge has taken a much higher grade. Early in the year the parsonage was much enlarged, thoroughly renovated and refurnished at a cost of \$663, which has been paid. This gives Hillsboro one of the best parsonages of the district. The salary was advanced from \$750 to \$900, the collections largely increased and 50 souls converted. Bro. Shipman's ministry is a benediction to Kent Island, and this year has brought larger visible results than last year. The parsonage debt of \$650, which has troubled them for years, is no more, the collections are larger than last year and the conversions number 47.

Kenton also had a troublesome parsonage debt of \$800, which has been reduced to \$100. The benevolences make good gains and the conversions are 18. Bro. Ellis is a splendid success in every department of the work. Marydel has had a great year under the leadership of Bro. Sidell. Benevolences have gone up from \$94 last year to \$241 this, and the five months of revival work resulted in unifying the whole circuit and winning 158 converts to Christ. Middletown and the Conference lost much in the going of Dr. Wood, but both gained much in the coming of Dr. Caswell. Dr. Caswell came to us under the shadow of a great bereavement by the loss of his companion, but he took up the work with great vigor and has prosecuted it with unusual success. The benevolences were to be provided for after his coming in October, but they suffer nothing. A glorious revival has crowned the year's work, with 50 converts and the church quickened. Dr. Waddell has given to Millington a year of faithful service, and though the visible results are not as large as he could have desired, it is evident that the harvest is whitening for the reapers.

Odesa highly appreciates the faithful and efficient services of Bro. Hurst and heartily responds to his efforts. There is a steady growth in the work at Oxford. Bro. Cooper reports 15 converts and \$150 for improvements. At Piney Neck the debt on the parsonage has been reduced by \$140, leaving a balance of only \$100. The benevolences aggregate \$47, as against \$15 last year, and a general improvement. Brother Cannon, at Pomona, has given full proof of his ministry. He reports \$180 raised for improvements and a good revival influence, with several conversions.

Bro. W. C. Poole, who has been supplying Queenstown since October 1st, and who comes for admission, is a young man of exceptionally fine promise. He brings a good report of material results and the conversion of 60 souls. Rock Hall has had a very hard year financially, but she has more than held her own in everything except the benevolences, where there is a very slight deficiency. On old debts and improvements about \$200 is paid, and 39

probationers gathered. The tide has turned at Royal Oak, under Bro. McKinsey, from ebb to flood. He reports 17 conversions, \$150 raised for debts and improvements, a gain of 90 per cent. in the benevolences, and interest in all departments of the work increasing. This has been a great year for St. Michael's. Some of the points of progress are an increase of \$100 in salary, \$775 raised for debts and improvements, a splendid gain on benevolences, and, best of all, a glorious revival, in which 111 souls entered into light.

Time and again has death invaded the ranks of our membership at Smyrna during the year, and several of our most prominent people have been called away, and there has not been as large an ingathering as we desired, but otherwise the year has been a good one. A new steam heater was put in during the fall. The church was repainted externally and other improvements made at a cost of \$600, all of which is paid, \$350 raised on old debts, and the benevolences well sustained. Under the leadership of Bro. Layfield Smyrna Circuit has grown in interest and liberality, the benevolences have made splendid gains, and the revival effort resulted in 9 conversions.

Bro. Roberts has given to Still Pond a year of faithful and able service, and the people have shown their appreciation by paying him \$50 more than the estimated salary and assuring an increase of \$100 for next year. The benevolences are up to a creditable figure, old debts to the extent of \$400 have been paid and 10 converts gathered. The year has been a happy and successful one with Bro. Roe and his people at Sudlersville, \$200 have been raised on parsonage debt, the collections are well in advance of last year and a gracious revival visited all the churches, in which 52 souls were converted. A new church lot of two acres, most desirably located at Bozman, Talbot Circuit, has been purchased at a cost of \$200 and paid for, where we hope to build next year to take the place of the old Broad Creek Church, three-quarters of a mile away. The benevolences of the charge are above the splendid record of last year, the last of the parsonage debt of \$74 is gone, \$100 extended on improvements and 67 souls won to Christ. Bro. Talley is a workman that needeth not to be ashamed.

Bro. Chaires has done fine service for Tilghman's Island and brings up a fine report. The collections are handsomely advanced, \$350 raised on improvement and debts and 67 souls converted. Bro. G. P. Jones is a fit at Townsend, and the year has been harmonious and successful. The new church at Blackbird was dedicated in September, when the total cost, \$950, was all provided for. The building is neat and comfortable, supplying a long-felt want. The benevolences are sustained at the good standard of last year and 52 conversions are reported. This has been a great year at the Trappe. A tidal wave of salvation has swept the whole charge and extended to the regions beyond. Bro. Tabler has recorded 169 probationers, old debts have disappeared, \$175 have been raised for improvements and the benevolences are largely in advance of other years.

Tunis Mills is the baby of the district and needs much care. It is developing some strength in spite of adversities. Wye and Starr has been well served by W. H. Kenney, who brings up a report showing \$228 on debts, \$150 on improvements, \$103 for the various benevolences, against \$60 last year, and 55 conversions. The new church sentiment is ripe at Worton, and every indication points to its realization next year, a thing that ought have been twenty years ago. Bro. C. N. Jones has served the charge well, and his report is creditable.

The Easton District presents only limited opportunities for material improvements. We have a church at every point, save one or two, where a church is needed, and with few exceptions these churches are up to date in convenience and comfort. We need but two par-

sonages more than we have, and one would have been built this year had a suitable lot been available. The others, with rare exceptions, are in first-class condition, so that our people are well churched and our pastors are well housed. We do need a large increase in pastoral support, and to secure this I have given much thought and effort and had some success, but I find an intense conservatism on the part of many of our official boards.

As the times improve and young, aggressive men take the reins and adopt more modern methods we shall move up to better things. In three years the District has made a net gain in salaries of \$2,060, \$600 of which belongs to this year, and we have the assurance of several advances next year. An arm of great power and activity of the District is the Epworth League. I count this the most vital, fruitful and aggressive department of our church. In numbers we have forty-four senior chapters, with about 2,500 members, and nineteen junior chapters, with about 900 members, making a total members of 3,400.

The liquor traffic we still regard as the right arm of the devil for the destruction of the nations, hence, with loyalty to God and love for humanity, our attitude must ever be one of uncompromising hostility.

Our Sunday Schools are doing good work. They are well supplied with literature of the right sort for the most part, officered by consecrated people and are growing in numbers and interest.

Allow me to say, in conclusion, that I am painfully conscious of the poverty of the service I have given to the district. But I am thankful to my Heavenly Father for the preservation of health and for the intense interest I have had in the work. I am very grateful to my brethren for their forbearance, sympathy and hearty co-operation, and to the laity for the multitude of kindnesses shown me in various ways. My prayer to the Lord of the Harvest is that he may water this field and give to every reaper and gleaner the harvest song.

W. F. CORKRAN, P. E.

Salisbury District.

After another season of service on the Salisbury District, we are glad to report unbroken ministerial ranks, the unusual presence of the Lord, and a harvest of rich results to the honor of His holy name. For the most part, the health of the brethren has been graciously preserved. Some who had suffered temporary illness are now recovered. Dr. C. W. Prettyman, who was severely injured in January in a bicycle collision, was able, three weeks ago, to resume work. While no minister has died, four parsonage folds have been invaded by the silent messenger. In October, Bro. William Towers, father-in-law of Bro. Hardesty, fell asleep in Jesus at a ripe old age, having been a member of the church for fifty-six years. The following month, Bertha, daughter of Bro. McFaul, who had come up like a rare flower, was cut down; while, in December, the youngest child of Bro. J. M. Collins, the joy of the home, was lifted to the skies, and only last Friday week Bro. J. A. Brewington was called to part with little Ralph, an interesting boy. We record with sadness the decease, also, of Bro. I. T. Matthews, of Snow Hill, Md. He was a strong and influential layman, well known to us all, and for many years one of the foremost figures in our Peninsula Methodism. The Church is poorer for his departure.

Three of our brethren, C. P. Swain, G. L. Hardesty and G. T. Alderson, are closing their full term of five years to the sincere regret of their people, and with a record of increasing prosperity in each charge.

The special services of Children's Day were generally well prepared and successfully

conducted. More and more, our children and young people are coming to regard the day as one of broadening information, and quickening enthusiasm in respect of our educational interests; and in consequence the collections are showing a systematic advance which promises well for our Conference Academy, and the needy students who are seeking preparation for the ministry. The Sunday Schools of the District are somewhat in advance of last year in the matter of attendance, in continuance of sessions through the winter, and in the adoption of our own church literature. There is, however, a lack of conviction among our adult church members as to their duty to become teachers, and to co-operate generally with the authorities in advancing the efficiency of the schools. To teach a Sunday School class, is an opportunity for seed sowing that an angel might covet. I am impressed that the Quarterly Conference Committees appointed each year might be worked to good advantage in strengthening this "arm of the service." We shall report a few new schools formed this year.

Gratifying as has been the record made by the District in past years touching the matter of church building and improvements, and the liquidation of old indebtedness; the present reports will register a still greater advance in material prosperity. Surely the impulse of the Twentieth Century Appeal has not been lost upon our people. At Crowsentown, Va., the church has been thoroughly rebuilt with the addition of a cross-section, 20x16 ft., and a tower, the whole cost being \$404. Conner's Church on Girdletree Circuit has been entirely renovated at a cost of \$260. Its debt is paid, and a new life has since come to that congregation. Extensive additions have been made to the church at Frandlin City, involving a cost of \$3000; which practically provide a new sanctuary with 600 sittings and the modern improvements. At least \$1,400 has been paid on it. The dedication will occur about May 1st. A fine success has been achieved at Newark, Md. A new church was greatly needed, and the energetic pastor determined that it should be secured. A lot in the center of the town was presented by Mr. Wm. Bower, a friend of the church. The people responded with material, work and money, and we have now a charming structure, its debt being amply provided for.

A similar victory is the completion of the church at Willard's Station, where no church of any kind has previously existed. Hard work also told in this case. A neat and convenient house of worship, costing \$800, was dedicated October 29. At once a revival broke out in the village, and as a result the new society moves off with 23 full members, 52 probationers and a Sunday school of 106 scholars. Still another success is to be chronicled in the finishing of the handsome new church at Nanticoke. It is an exceptionally good location and is a model of chaste and pleasing architecture. The outlay was \$5,300; \$4,800 has been paid on it. Fruitland has also secured a marked victory in church building. The society is not a strong one, yet, with admirable self-sacrifice, a pretty and substantial church has been finished at an expenditure of \$1,800. And here once more God verified His promise and sent a revival blessing, which, it is said, swept into the kingdom every young man in the town. At Delmar an organ gallery has been erected in the rear of the pulpit, and a beautiful pipe organ placed in it, at an expense of \$900, all of which has been paid. A new hall for social purposes has been built on the Annessessex charge, costing \$200, and paid for. The new church at Snow Hill, the most conspicuous enterprise of the year, is making decided progress. The massive walls of Brandywine bluestone, with their Indiana sandstone trimmings, are nearly finished, the roofing is in a good state of forwardness, and most of the material for completion is already contracted for. Six thousand five hundred dollars has been expended up to the present time, including the amount paid for the lot. Snow Hill Methodism is building nobly for God and the future. Somerset is proposing large changes in her property, \$2,800 in cash and subscriptions having been secured for a new church at Rock Creek, to be commenced

as soon as spring opens; and a contract having been already made for the renovation of the church at Dames' Quarter, at an outlay of \$1,200, \$500 of which is in hand. At Asbury, near Crisfield, a subscription of \$1,000 has been taken for the enlargement of the church at an early date. The Ocean City Chapel and lot have been sold with a view of securing a more eligible location. The old Curtis' Chapel grounds have been sold to the colored people for \$110. Bro. Alderson has in hand about \$60 from this and other sources, to be paid over to the proper Conference custodian, as per ¶ 316 of the Discipline. Other church improvements are as follows: At Salisbury, repairs and a new piano for the lecture room, \$410; White Haven, new roof and general painting, \$188; Auditorium at Carey's Woods, \$125; Tyaskin, \$117; additional land for Lamb's Woods Camp Ground; Stockton, \$80; Princess Anne Church, \$100; Cokesbury, \$50; Asbury, Mt. Vernon, \$52; Mt. Pleasant, Powellville, \$52; Hollands' Island, \$40; Rockawalking, \$30; Silvan, \$30, and Remson's, \$25.

We regret to report the destruction by fire, on April 29, of the parsonage at Deal's Island. The pastor, Bro. Bounds, lost his library and many treasured family keepsakes. There was, however, considerable insurance on the house and the pastor's possessions. After enlarging the grounds by the addition of a half acre, the new parsonage, a pleasant structure, was erected and is now occupied. Its value is \$1,525. Much-needed repairs and enlargement of the Roxana parsonage have been arranged for. Other important changes for the comfort of our brethren have been made. The ladies at Crisfield have expended \$350 in making a delightful pastoral home. General repairs have been added to the dwellings at Gumboro, Mt. Pleasant, Delmar and Quantico, St. Peter's, Cape Charles, Pocomoke City, Asbury, Frankford, Parsonsburg, Smith's Island, Mt. Vernon, Princess Anne and Holland's Island.

In the line of clearing away old debts, Tangier leads the host with a payment of \$2,700. Marion, whose entire property was threatened with sale for debt, aroused herself, and with generous responses of outside friends the requisite sum of \$2,900 was secured; and what is better still, \$2,400 up to date has been paid. Ocean View has paid \$1,000; Cape Charles has a band of heroic people who have paid \$500 of her obligations; Selbyville has wrought nobly in clearing her parsonage of its \$500 debt; the raising of \$600 has cleared the entire Chincoteague Island property. Other amounts raised are as follows: Mt. Pleasant, \$250; Smith's Island, \$225; Crisfield, \$150; Asbury, Mt. Vernon, \$125; Fairmount and Millsboro, \$100 each; Fruitland cancels her mortgage on the parsonage with a final payment of \$60; Westover, \$55.

We have raised this year, as a total for building and improvements and in liquidation of past indebtedness, the splendid sum of \$32,365, which is nearly twice as much as last year.

Camp meetings have been numerous and of variable quality. A few have given evidence of being in close touch with Divine power, while others have served only to suspend indefinitely, for miles around them, all Sunday-school and church services, and to furnish occasion for hilarious recreation and the desecration of the holy Sabbath. There is greatly needed some new authority, or some new definition of the church, in reference to the appointment and conduct of these gatherings.

The Epworth League among us grows and matures with each year. There is perhaps less of the thrill of novelty about its efforts, but they show a broader grasp of its great mission, and a steadier carrying of its burdens. There has been an increase of 10 senior chapters, and 351 members; of 5 junior chapters and 130 members, making a total of 71 chapters, and 3,424 members, with a circulation of the Epworth Herald nearly doubled. The Salisbury Convention was largely attended, and a delightful and stimulating occasion. How-

ing reports and strong papers and discussions were the order of the day, while the rousing address of Dr. Berry, the Herald's gifted editor, and Dr. Hugh Johnson, of Baltimore gave a new impulse to our zeal and loyalty.

In the matter of Pastoral Support some gratifying advances have been made, and others are in contemplation for the coming year. Nine charges increased their estimates, three decrease; two of them slightly; while twenty-three remain as before. In a few places the adoption of better methods has brought results which has surprised the official members themselves. Careful planning and consecrated business directness in the execution will bring every salary up to the last dollar. I think that our deficiency column will be less than last year, but why should there be any such column at all? It ought not to be possible, if our people are true to God, and fair to his commissioned messengers. The problem of securing the attendance of our members generally upon the class meetings is still unsolved. In many places on our District it will be found that the grand old type of class service still survives; the voice of testimony rings out with stirring fervor, and the multitudes crowd to the feast, but all too frequently there is an ominous silence on the subject of Christian experience, and it is difficult to know anything about the heart life of many of our members. It has been my earnest effort to urge a return to this time honored and Spirit honored means of grace.

Quite early in the year most of our pastors made careful plans for an aggressive campaign for the benevolences. Much literature has been used, 1,000 copies of the World Wide Missions have been scattered over the District. Special sermons preached, and in many cases a house to house canvass conducted, these, together with stimulating examples of ministerial liberality, have yielded their legitimate harvest. In addition to these about \$2,000 has been contributed to the 20th Century Fund. The will of the late Capt. John W. Wilson of Deal's Island provides for the payment of ten dollars annually for ten years to the missionary cause. The question of the validity of the will of Miss Hooper, involving certain bequests to our Benevolent Boards, has been taken to the Court of Appeals in Maryland.

The most blessed and thrilling experience of the year has been the remarkable outpouring of the Spirit in revivals. One scarcely knows where to begin to "tell the story." In several instances the power of the Highest was so manifest that the early Sabbath morning social meetings, swept on into the hour for public worship, sermons were left unuttered, men crowded the aisles praising God and exhorting their friends to seek salvation, while the altars were thronged with responsive penitents. In holding some of the Quarterly Conferences we were obliged to suspend business while brothers stood with clasped hands and streaming eyes rejoicing together over the conversion of their children. One morning during the revival at Ironshire, Md., the power of conviction so wrought upon some of the men engaged in a nursery that work was dropped while they gathered in an old packing shed for a prayer meeting, and the son of the owner of the nursery was happily converted. At Sharptown one Friday morning thirty young women employed in a large basket factory began to sing revival hymns. Shouts of joy and fervent prayers soon followed. The men at work in other departments were attracted to the strange scene, and the power fell likewise on them. The proprietor was called. He ordered the machines stopped that the Spirit of God might have the right of way. Unconverted persons came hurrying in and were soon on their knees at an extemporized altar, crying for mercy. Nearly all day long this Pentecostal outbreak continued, and a great awe fell on the town. A pastor writes: "The scenes we have witnessed are beyond description. Persons who have not spoken to each other for years have fallen at the altar and begged for forgiveness clasped in each other's arms." The number of conversions has been as phenomenal as the character of them. Frankford,

Gumboro, Whitesville, Newark have each had over 100, Selbyville, Sharptown, Laurel, Fruitland, Powellville and Girdletree each over 75, Parksley, Onancock, Stockton, Weston, Tangier and Delmar over 50 each, while many other charges have had equally signal displays of saving grace, and none have been without some sheaves gathered for the Master. The whole number of conversions is 2,100.

The foregoing summary of results tells better than any words of mine how faithfully my brethren of the ministry have given themselves in their holy calling. They have wrought well, and the great Head of the church has honored their toil. In concluding this already too lengthy report, I wish to record my thanks to the pastors and the people of the District for many personal kindnesses and for cordial seconding of the suggestions I have made from time to time for the advancement of the kingdom. I am profoundly grateful to my Heavenly Father for the strength given me to prosecute my work without interruption, and for the touch of revival fire which He has permitted to come into my own soul.

THOMAS E. MARTINDALE, P. E.

Wilmington District.

To record the visible results, and to make partial mention of the achievements of another year, is a privilege and a delight. The district I have the honor to represent has shown itself worthy of its meed of praise. In its personnel, its faithful, painstaking workers, it would be hard to excel. Since our last gathering the ranks of the honored veterans have been greatly depleted. Revs. Henry Sanderson, W. E. England and T. S. Williams have been summoned from labor to reward. Bro. Sanderson was the first to be called. For several months his strength had been steadily declining, and his departure was not unlooked for. To Bros. England and Williams the call came almost simultaneously. The news of their death and the request to participate in the funeral services came by the same mail, and they were interred the same day. These revered men were too well known among us to call for extended mention at this time. They did their full share to lay deep and broad foundations of our beloved church in this territory, and they "being dead yet speak." Appropriate memoirs will be presented at the Memorial session. In the early winter, after a long and peculiarly distressing illness, the beloved wife of our Bro. T. H. Harding entered into rest. During the months of exquisite suffering the Great Sustainer was present, and with unshaken faith and holy joy her spirit returned to God who gave it.

There has been only one pastoral change since our last session. In September last Bishop Foss transferred the Rev. Freidolph Soderman to the New York East Conference. The Swedish Mission in this city has been under the care of the Rev. Charles Cedarholm, of Brooklyn.

The usual camp-meetings were held on the District, Brandywine, Woodlawn and Leslie. So far as personal observation serves as a basis of judgment, these meetings were wholly free from the usual objections so frequently urged against camp-meetings. Bros. C. A. Grise, A. S. Mowbray and W. T. Hammond, who had charge of these meetings respectively, were abundant in labors.

The Sunday Schools and Young People's Societies have done valiant service in their respective departments. Broad planning, consecrated liberality and unwavering loyalty and devotion have characterized their work. We hail it as an omen for good, a pledge of the future, when the youth of the church are giving themselves so fully to the Master's service. The annual Convention of the District Epworth League merits special notice. Grace Chapter, who was host, spared neither pains nor expense to make the Convention a success. In

addition to a most excellent array of home talent, the Program Committee secured the services of Dr. James W. Marshall, of Camden, N. J., and Dr. Joseph H. Berry, the editor of the Epworth Herald. Dr. Marshall gave a strong and inspiring address, and Dr. Berry's addresses was most helpful and strengthening. His wisdom and wit captured the Convention. The Rev. V. P. Northrup was elected District President. His election is an assurance of success.

It would be an inexcusable omission were no reference made to the work of our elect women. Through the agency of Conventions and less public, but no less efficient means, these good sisters of the Woman's Home and Foreign Missionary Societies and the Woman's Christian Temperance Union have materially aided in the maintenance of righteousness and the extension of the Redeemer's kingdom, and in making brighter homes where the stress of poverty and disease were felt.

That which is the most important of all—the conversion of sinners and the edification of the church—has not been neglected. At Rising Sun, Md., H. A. G. Westerfield has faithfully labored since the second week of January. Great results have been witnessed. Bartenders, hopeless sots, men old in years and besotted in sin, have thrown themselves on the mercy of God and entered the new life in Christ Jesus. The town and surrounding country have been mightily shaken by the power of God. The meetings still continue. The visible outcome is 130 souls saved. Similar scenes attended the meetings at Northeast, Md. With a faith and zeal born of contact with the Great Head of the Church, our brother held on, in spite of difficulties, until he had the joy of seeing 125 souls born anew and a church greatly quickened. At Brandywine Church, Wilmington, a great victory was wrought out in the name of the Master. The church itself, and that section of the city, was moved to the depths. The church has been greatly strengthened, and the number of conversions reached 108. In addition to these the following may be named: Eastlake 63, Port Penn 59, Chesapeake City, 47, Rockland 22, Elkton 19, Red Lion 34, Silverbrook 28, Cherry Hill 62, St. George's 14, Mt. Pleasant 20, Elk Neck 18, Bethel 12, Newark 32, Perryville 30, Zion 12, Port Deposit 12, Hopewell 30, New Castle 26, Cookman 12, Union 8, Wesley 4, Epworth 30, Kingswood 35, Marshallton and Stanton 8, Madeley 28, Union 20, Harrison 20, Scott 37, St. Paul 24, Asbury 75. The total will reach 1,200. Some of the brethren would gladly report larger results; not many could report more faithful labors.

The question of pastoral support is one of growing importance among us, as facts abundantly attest. The eyes of the church are frequently turned in this direction, and if we are to save our territory some of the most desirable men, our laymen must face the situation with resolution and liberality. The laborer is worthy of his hire. New conditions call for new methods, and to recognize existing conditions and adapt ourselves to those conditions will evince great wisdom and must be productive of good. It was my pleasure last year to report that fourteen charges on the Wilmington District had increased the pastor's salary, and the following, nine in all, can be added to the list, making a total increase of twenty-three charges for the two years: Cookman, Wilmington, advances \$200; Epworth, \$200; Eastlake, \$125; Asbury, \$500; Newark, Del., \$150; Perryville, \$100, Hockessin, \$50; St. John's \$50. To the credit of the District be it said that the charges which advanced the estimate have paid the salary in full. A promise should be equivalent to payment. Such, we are compelled to confess, has not been the case in our Conference. The total reported deficiencies in pastors' salaries alone during the past fifteen years amounts to \$46,000. Of this amount only 11 per cent. can be charged to Wilmington District. It is to be hoped that the conscience of the Church will be so thoroughly stirred that this history cannot repeat itself. We feel well as-

sured that when the matter is properly presented to the Church, the usually meagre salary will be paid in full, and the minister thus enabled to meet his obligations because the church has made it possible. Systematic giving, supported by genuine consecration, will solve the problem.

The spirit of building and improvements so noticeable last year has shown no faltering, as the following will reveal: It is fitting that in this place Scott Church, Wilmington, should be mentioned first. The improvements in this church were made on a large scale. New pews, pulpit furniture, new carpets and windows in both audience room and basement, a transformed gallery and the entire church beautifully frescoed, render the interior as attractive as any church in the city. Too much cannot be said in commendation of the tireless persistence of the pastor, to whose unshaken faith and unflagging energy the success of the enterprise is largely due. The total cost, \$3,600, was provided for on the day of reopening. The new chapel at Kirkwood, Del., was dedicated September 4th by Rev. Dr. James Crowe, of Asbury Church, Wilmington. The cost of the chapel, \$1,700, was provided for in cash and reliable subscriptions on the day of dedication. Outside of a small donation and loan from the Church Extension Society, the whole expense was born by the faithful little band who had the courage to rise and build. Mention should be made of the kindness of Mr. James Cann, of Kirkwood, who, though a member of another communion, gave the lot and generously aided in the completion of the work. Our church at Mt. Lebanon, Delaware, has been changed from an unsightly building into a thing of beauty. New pews and pulpit furniture and new carpets have been provided and the walls neatly decorated. The parsonage at Newark, Del., has been completely remodeled at a cost of \$1,000. The old inconvenient building has been converted into a commodious and convenient home with all the modern improvements. The low figure at which these extensive alterations were made as well as the enterprise itself is due to the wisdom and energy of the pastor, who had charge of the work. Wesley Church, Wilmington, has undergone several needed changes. As a result, the bare walls and uninviting vestibule have been made very attractive. The pastor is one of the men who brings things to pass, and his courage and ability were never more signally displayed than in this instance. The cost of the improvements was \$600. At Hopewell, G. W. Bowman, pastor, a fund of \$1,000 is in hand toward remodelling the church at Hopewell. The work will be begun in the early spring. Other amounts for improvements have been reported as follows: Hockessin, \$300; Epworth, Wilmington, \$125; Marshallton and Stanton, \$95; Red Lion, \$80; Mt. Pleasant, \$50; St. John's, \$51; Elk Neck, \$40; Bethel, \$160; Hopewell, \$75; Port Deposit, \$50; Zion, \$150; Rising Sun, \$300; St. George's, \$160; Charles-town, \$250; Silverbrook, Wilmington, \$275; Elkton, \$50; Bethel and Summit, \$225; Newport, \$150; Union, \$100; Madeley, \$1,200.

After the splendid showing of last year in the liquidation of troublesome church debts, no stronger evidence of the consecration and loyalty of the people is needed than to say that this year excels last in the matter of debt paying. First comes Grace church, Wilmington, with its entire indebtedness of \$15,000 fully provided for. Much of the credit for this achievement belongs to the pastor, and to the efficient committee appointed by the trustees. The remarkable triumph won at Epworth church last year is almost eclipsed by the victory of the present year. With courage undaunted and zeal unabated, the pastor, F. Burgette Short so wisely planned and successfully executed that the mortgage on the church has been reduced to \$8,000, \$1,000 having been paid this year, making a total of \$5,500 during the past three years, and \$15,000 raised for all purposes. Asbury church has raised for its indebtedness \$3,000 and the church finances make a better showing than at any time in its

previous history. The problem that has engaged the attention of Dr. Charles A. Grise at Union has been wisely and ably solved; \$1,000 has been paid on the floating debt and the balance provided for in reliable subscriptions, and the finances of the church in splendid shape. The work of J. W. Jones at Cookman is deserving of special mention. In relieving Cookman of its severe financial strain and putting its finances on a solid basis, he has done the church a real service; during the year a floating debt of \$1,000 has been wiped out. The pastor's salary has been promptly paid, and new courage and hope characterize the life of the church. Harrison street, under the care of R. T. Coursey, has added \$1,400 to the sinking fund. At the jubilee service held Thanksgiving night, the pastor publicly stated that the inception of the plan whose success had reduced the mortgage to \$6,600 was in a great measure due to A. E. Garey, Esq., one of the trustees. Pastor and people loyally aided in the good work. Under adverse conditions E. S. Mace, of Kingswood church, has made full proof of his ministry. During his three years pastorate by his unwearied toil he has freed the church from its troublesome floating debts and paid \$2,000 on the mortgage. Through the vigorous efforts of L. E. Poole, pastor of our beautiful church at Chesapeake City, nearly \$400 has been taken from the debt and the coming year will see the mortgage burned. To those who know the sacrifices of this devoted people this is a remarkable achievement. Elkton under the leadership of Thomas E. Terry reports \$1,000 paid on its debt and the church finances in splendid shape. Port Deposit, A. S. Mowbray pastor, \$300 has been paid on the debt, and broad plans instituted for its complete liquidation. Other amounts are reported as follows: Zion \$253, Perryville \$150, Bethel \$182, Port Penn \$260, Claymont \$135, Hockessin \$60, Hopewell \$50, Madeley \$60, Scott \$300, Kingswood \$500. The total amount of debts and improvements paid and provided for this year is \$28,518 which added to the amount reported last year makes a grand total of \$50,803.

All the benevolences of the church have been duly emphasized and in most instances faithfully and successfully presented. More and more the spirit that is content with simply reaching what is known as the apportionment is to be avoided. These great causes should be laid on the heart and conscience of the Church so as to call forth the largest possible response and thus win the Master's commendation, "Ye have done what ye could." From the data now on hand it looks as though there would be a substantial increase in most of the benevolences. The following charges exceed last year's record: Newark increases 36 per cent.; Elk Neck, 44 per cent.; Rockland, 57 per cent.; Rising Sun, 12 per cent.; Elkton, 14 per cent.; Chesapeake City, 5 per cent.; Zion, 5 per cent.; Hopewell, 12 per cent.; Colara, 29 per cent.; Cookman, 30 per cent.; Epworth, 45 per cent.; Claymont, 25 per cent.; Marshall and Stanton, 10 per cent.; Mount Pleasant, 6 per cent. (this charge pays to the benevolences over \$2 per member); Newport, 35 per cent.; Northeast, 32 per cent.

The Twentieth Century movement, which has so fully engaged the attention of the Church, has in our own territory been under the care of our Conference Secretary, Dr. J. D. C. Hanna. Both the preachers and the Presiding Elder have co-operated with the Secretary in every possible way. It will be remembered that the Conference saw its way clear to request Bishop Foss to make this appointment because Bro. Hanna volunteered to assume the responsibility for his own support. It was a hazardous undertaking, and one accompanied by hard, unremitting toil. If the results do not correspond with the energy expended, the weakness will be found in the method, which precluded the possibility of personal solicitation on the part of the Secretary, and from no lack of activity. The total amount contributed by Wilmington District to this fund, exclusive of debts and improvements, so far as I have been able to ascertain, is \$4,007.

That curse of curses, the legalized saloon, has been reinstated in Cecil County, Md., and is doing its deadly work. Steps will undoubtedly be taken to resubmit the question to the voters of the county, and the result does not seem to be in doubt. But the question as viewed in its broader scope pains the heart and arouses the conscience. The insolence and power of this awful oligarchy seems to be increasing. With a powerful lobby in State and national capitals, with an organization that is perfect, it is able to debauch legislation and drug the public conscience almost at will. Our danger, and our shame too, is that this horrid thing, that feeds on dishonored virtue and luxuriates in widows' tears and the plaint of orphans, that makes its way over broken hearts—whose success is humanity's woe—is legalized. It has been galvanized into respectability and granted the protection of both State and National Government. And it has even been intimated that our beloved and honored Church will take a backward step on this great question. We cannot believe it. We can never permit our high claims to be lowered one jot. We must iterate and reiterate our motto, "It can never be legalized without sin." The destruction of the traffic by prohibiting its manufacture and sale as a beverage must be our ultimatum. What shall be the means to this end matters but little. The end is vital—the means by which it is reached incidental. A goal is to be gained only by unswerving, conscientious, high-souled endeavor. Patriotism must be above partyism, and fealty to God, the best interests of our national heritage, must be rendered. And our great Church must keep step with the King. Deliverance must come. Some day an aroused and righteous citizenship, arising from its knees, will, with a scourge of ballots, drive this defiler of virtue, this despoiler of homes, from the temple of liberty, to which it will return no more. And as a humble Methodist minister I have faith to believe that the church of the Wesleys will not be found wanting as a factor in this long-for consummation.

Personally it has been a year of unceasing toil. But the toil has been made heartsome and delightful because of the presence of God and the kindly co-operation of my fellow laborers. Between them and myself there has been entire unanimity. Most highly do I prize the esteem and confidence of my brethren of the ministry and laity. And to Him "whose we are and whom we serve" we render thanks for all that has been accomplished in His name.

ROBERT WATT, P. E.

Auditing Committee.

Your committee appointed to audit accounts begs leave to report as follows: Dr. C. S. Baker, P. E. of the Dover District, received from the Domestic Missionary Society \$159.30, and applied the same as follows: Ellendale, \$40; Vienna, \$20; Burrsville, \$20; Church Creek, \$30; Armory, Dover, \$30; Leipsic, \$10; Lakesville, \$9.30. Dr. Baker also received from the Missionary Society \$211 and applied the same as follows: Lakesville, \$111; Salem, \$100.

Dr. W. F. Corkran, P. E. of the Easton District, received from the Domestic Missionary Society \$171 and disbursed the same as follows: Oxford, \$50; Royal Oak, \$25; Clayton, \$25; Worton, \$25; Tunis Mills, \$20; Ingleside, \$10; Church Hill, \$5; Wye and Starr, \$5; Piney Neck, \$6.

Dr. T. E. Martindale, P. E., of Salisbury District, received from the Domestic Missionary Society \$158.30, and applied the same as follows: Powellville, \$36.30; Mardella Springs, \$50; Westover, \$12; Bethel, \$15; Marion Station, \$25; Pocomoke Circuit, \$20. Dr. Martindale also received from the Missionary Society \$380, applied as follows: Cape Charles, \$170; Parkesley, \$160; Hallwood, \$50.

Dr. Robert Watt, P. E., of the Wilmington District, received from the Domestic Missionary Society \$224, and paid out as follows: Bethel and Summit, \$25; Marshallton and Stanton, \$20; St. George's, \$10; Colora, \$20; Red Lion, \$58; Hockessin, \$32; Perryville, \$25; Christiana, \$60; Elsmere, \$25. This is an excess of \$51 over the amount received. Dr. Watt also received from the Missionary Society \$394, the whole of which was applied to the Swedish Mission at Wilmington. Your committee also examined the books of the Conference Treasurer and find correct vouchers for the amounts received and paid out by him. We find a balance due the Treasurer of \$10.85 for stationery, stamps and costs on protested check. We also examined the account of Rev. E. H. Nelson, trustee of funds for the use of Mrs. Annie D. Chatham. The receipts were as follows: From Wilmington Annual Conference, \$230; from Mrs. Carrow, \$186. This entire amount was applied to the Pennsylvania Hospital.

G. P. SMITH, *Chairman.*

Bible Society.

We desire to express our unabated faith in the Bible as the word of God, and the circulation thereof as the basis and means of aggressive and successful evangelism. We strongly commend the world-wide work of the American Bible Society, the helper of every pastor, teacher and missionary at home and abroad. Hitherto our Conference has been content to administer its gifts to the Bible cause through the various State and local societies within its bounds, or representing the several parts of its territory. The wonderfully enlarged opportunities begotten of recent events suggest the propriety of carefully scrutinizing the expenditure of our contributions. Without depreciating the importance of the several points in the domestic field, we believe the time has come for the exercise of a more careful economy in home expenditures and of correspondingly enlarged appropriations in behalf of the "regions beyond." The reports of the Maryland Bible Society show that the usage of voting Conference Bible collections to constitute life members and directors has occasioned the diversion of no small amount of money for Bibles to meet their apparently legitimate demand. While under the law any person or church has the unquestioned right to nominate such members or directors, we do not believe any Conference or other ecclesiastical body should so employ the aggregate of its Bible collections, which have been gathered in small sums, without any such purpose or understanding on the part of the donors. In regard to the custom in the Delaware and Virginia parts of our work as to such use of our Bible collections, and—in large degree—of their expenditure by said societies, we have been furnished with but partial and unsatisfactory data. According to the Report of the American Bible Society, but a small amount was received from Delaware and nothing from Virginia. An examination of the Reports of the Maryland Bible Society for the last five years shows that of an aggregate income of about \$75,000 during those years nearly the entire amount has been expended in that State, only one-thirtieth part, or \$2,500, having been paid the parent society. In his last report to the Managers of said society, made at the annual meeting in April 1899, and published in the Annual Report of the American Bible Society, the late agent, Rev. R. W. Todd, made the following statement: "An inspection of the tabulated reports of our rural work constrains me to reiterate and emphasize the conviction heretofore expressed, that the present destitution of, and need for, the word of God in the counties of our State do not seem to justify the expense of supply. Under present conditions it costs about five times the value of our books to distribute them. All this territory has been thoroughly canvassed within four years, and most of it, indeed, within the last two or three years. While the need for the Scriptures in the rural

portion of our State is, perhaps, not one-tenth of what it formerly was, while the opportunities and need for its distribution in the 'regions beyond' are about ten times multiplied, it is my serious and deliberate conviction that no further expenditure ought to be made, under four or five years to come, in any county in our State; and that the money thus saved ought to be placed at the disposal of the American Bible Society, to be utilized in supplying the crying need of the benighted and perishing millions of the non-Protestant and heathen world. The advance of commerce, the comities and developments of diplomacy and the fortunes of war have opened isles and continents to the entrance of God's word, and the Master's command, 'Occupy till I come,' is imperative.' These brave and warning words, we are glad to be assured by the present agent, Rev. L. T. Weiderman, D. D., have at last been heeded; three of the five colporteurs have been dismissed, other reforms have been adopted or are proposed, and we have the promise that all occasion for further complaint or criticism shall be fully removed. In view of these conditions, we present the following resolutions:

Resolved, That we hereby memorialize the Maryland Bible Society to take such action as will prevent any further constitution of Life Directors and Life Members on account of the funds gathered from the churches, and not contributed for such specific purpose.

Resolved, That we commend the stand taken for a more economical administration by the ex-agent, Rev. Robert W. Todd, and later by his successor, and that, while we reiterate our confidence in and support of the Maryland Bible Society and order the money raised in Maryland during the past year into its treasury, we shall await with prayerful solicitude its future administrations of this great interest.

Resolved, That we respectfully request of each of the other societies above named complete reports to all our pastors located in their respective fields and to the Secretary of this Conference showing the use and disposition of all the funds coming into their several treasuries, and that for the present and until such exhibits shall be furnished all Bible moneys remaining in the hands of our Treasurer or that shall be raised hereafter shall be sent by said Treasurer to the American Bible Society at New York.

Resolved, That our Secretary be directed to forward to the officers of all these societies copies of our Conference minutes, accompanied by communications directing their attention to this action.

Resolved, That we assure Rev. Dr. Weiderman of hearty welcome as often as he shall return to us, and that we invite the presence of representatives of the other local societies to confer with us at our future sessions.

Resolved, That we are gratified at the election of Rev. Dr. W. I. Haven as successor of the beloved and lamented Albert S. Hunt, D. D., in the General Secretaryship of the American Bible Society, and that we cordially invite his presence at our future sessions.

Resolved, That all our pastors be directed to represent this great interest in their several churches and to urge liberally increased collections.

W. W. SHARP, *Secretary*.

A. CHANDLER, *Chairman*.

Church Extension.

I.

We desire to express our appreciation of the Board of Church Extension. Since its organization in 1866 it has aided 11,364 churches, more than one-third the entire number owned by our denomination. During that period it has helped 135 churches in the Wilmington Conference by donations amounting to \$25,080 and loans of \$10,800.

The General Committee has issued a call to the Church for \$1,000,000, to be devoted to the cause of church extension as a Twentieth Century Thank Offering. We therefore recommend that as a Conference we co-operate with the Board of Church Extension in this great work, and as pastors we faithfully present the cause in our respective charges and use our best endeavors to reach our apportionment, that the Master's kingdom may be advanced, until everywhere in communities now destitute the people shall have opportunity to "enter His courts with praise."

T. S. HOLT, *Chairman*.

II.

The Conference Board of Church Extension respectfully submits the following report of the work done within the bounds of the Wilmington Conference during the past year. The annual meeting of the Board was held in St. Paul's church Wilmington, May 2, 1899.

The report of the Treasurer, J. H. Hofecker, showed that \$1,600 had been paid to the treasurer of the Parent Board. The following churches were recommended for donations; Emory, \$75; Queen Anne, \$125; Bowen's Chapel, \$100; Nanticoke, \$100; Willard's, \$50; Houston, \$350; Port Penn, \$100; Kirkwood, \$100. The following recommendations were made for loans: Bowen's Chapel, \$200; Houston, \$700; Kirkwood, \$250. The Parent Board has granted the following donations: Ocean View, \$200; Pea Neck, \$75; Blackbird, \$200; Kirkwood, \$100; Port Penn, \$100; Barber, \$75; Newark (Md.), \$100; Houston, \$350. The following loans have also been granted: Kirkwood, \$200; Houston, \$700.

The Wilmington Conference is asked to raise \$5,000, and is authorized to receive one-half of the sum contributed. In view of the work done by the Board of Church Extension through a period of thirty-three years, and the help given to so many churches within the bounds of our Conference. We desire to most heartily commend this society and urge a large collection for the coming year.

C. T. WYATT, *Secretary*.

JOHN FRANCE, *Chairman*.

Conference Claimant Endowment Fund.

Your committee appointed on Conference Claimant Endowment Fund would respectfully report that we find in the possession of the Board of Stewards and properly invested by them for the benefit of the Conference claimants the following. viz.: Centenary fund, \$2,000 at 6 per cent., yielding \$120; Riddle legacy, \$1,584 at 6 per cent., yielding \$95; Bates legacy, \$2,350 at 6 per cent., yielding \$141; Reynolds legacy, \$200 at 4 per cent., yielding \$8; Academy Bonds, \$1,500 at 6 per cent., yielding \$90; Smyrna sewer bonds, \$1,000 at 5 per cent., yielding \$50; amount invested, \$8,634; interest, \$504.

To be added to this, we suppose, is a part of what has been collected by Rev. J. D. C. Hanna as the Twentieth Century Thank Offering. If this sum total could be increased by gifts, bequests and legacies until it should reach \$200,000 the interest from such sum added to our present average of collections would not yield more than a comfortable support for our worthy beneficiaries. We know that we encounter misunderstandings, prejudice and opposition to this fund, but we believe if the pastors would call the attention of the financially able to this fund and its object it might be greatly increased.

Resolved, 1. That every pastor be directed to call attention to this fund in every proper way and to secure gifts and legacies in its behalf.

2. That we, as effective members of Conference, may help by our leadership in this

matter; that we pledge ourselves to contribute annually to this fund a certain portion of our actually realized salary, as follows: All salaries of \$600 and under, $\frac{1}{2}$ of 1 per cent.; all salaries above \$600 and under \$800, $\frac{3}{4}$ of 1 per cent.; all salaries above \$800 and under \$1,000, 1 per cent.; all salaries above \$1,000, 2 per cent.

3. That each pastor, beyond his own personal percentage and beyond his regular collection for conference claimants, shall endeavor to secure for this fund from his charge, or from any source, an amount fully equal to the aforesaid percentage of salary.

4. That all moneys so secured shall be paid over at once to the Treasurer of the Board of Stewards, to be invested according to the laws controlling the Board.

R. W. TODD, *Chairman*.

Conference Missionary Society.

The Board of Managers of the Conference Missionary Society desires to call the attention of the ministry and laity of our Conference to the offer of the parent society to send "The World-Wide Missions" for one year to each person contributing one dollar for our missionary work; provided but one copy goes to a family. This paper, coming each month to our homes and filled with fresh facts concerning the needs and successes of our work, will greatly aid in creating sentiment toward the great work of evangelizing the world. Let the pastors be careful to have it go into each home from which there comes a dollar for our missionary work.

Your attention is also called to the Annuity Fund of the Missionary Society. Persons having money which they intend to leave to the Missionary Society at their death, may give this money to the Society at any time, and will receive in return a regularly executed, interest bearing bond. These bonds are as safe and profitable as the bonds of our government. Persons who avail themselves of this plan become their own executors and prevent any diversion of their money from the uses for which they intended it, and, without trouble or expense to themselves, receive an annual dividend as long as they live. This fund now amounts to \$500,000.

We also suggest that as many of our ministers and laymen as can will attend the Ecumenical Conference on Foreign Missions to be held in New York, from April 31st to May 1st, 1900. Let prayer be offered in all our churches on behalf of this Ecumenical Conference, that it may be made a great blessing to the whole Church of God and give a mighty impulse to the missionary work throughout the world. Any church which may "deem it a pleasure to aid in meeting the large expenses which will be incurred in providing for this great gathering," and will contribute as much as \$5, will receive a copy of the full report, issued in two volumes.

F. C. MCSORLEY, *Secretary*.

A. E. SUDLER, *President*.

Education.

Knowing the value of Christian schools as aids in our church work, the part they play in bringing our youth to Christ as well as training them for usefulness, it is with pleasure that we report the conditions of the schools of which our Conference is a patron.

Dickinson College is closing its 112th year with an enrollment of 450 students, with representatives from 22 states and territories; and is yearly increasing its facilities for usefulness. With an endowment of half a million of dollars in dormitory accommodation, in apparatus,

and in appliances needed for college work as conducted in these modern times. Drew reports unusual prosperity. A new building costing \$100,000, seating 500; the gift of two gentlemen, whose names are with-held, has been erected. Its literary facilities are increasing while its spiritual interests are in the main satisfactory. But Drew is not measuring up to its possibilities. The buildings should be enlarged, its working force should be increased. This means an enlarged endowment. May not God claim a share of Methodism's millions for the noble work in which Drew is engaged. The Woman's College in Baltimore is worthy of our consideration and patronage. Equipped as it is to give our young women a thorough college training, its walls should be crowded with pupils from our territory. We regret that it has only a half dozen patrons from our peninsula. We recommended that the pastors call the attention of their people to the advantages and merits of the Woman's College of Baltimore. Your committee congratulates the Conference on the reported successes of the Wilmington Conference Academy. It seems again to revive hope in our breast. May we not hope that the Academy at Dover will cease to be a sinking fund, when this cry for interest shall cease. The hands of our Academy are tied, its power for good is paralyzed because it is a mendicant. Its usefulness, aye, its very existence depends upon the reduction, if not the total cancellation of the debt. Then, and not till then, will our Academy become our boast and able to do our best work. We bespeak for the president the hearty and enthusiastic support of the Conference.

The University at Washington is beginning to materialize. The Hall of History is completed. Another building is to be commenced this fall. Assets in hand amount to nearly \$2,500,000. Great interest is now being manifested by the members of the Epworth League in the Epworth College of Literature, which they propose building by dollar contributions. No demand is being made in this regard, but the matter is being left with the young people. Contributions are already coming in. Let our young people rally and build the hall. As the university stands for Americanism, Protestantism and Methodism, being a great post graduate school at our nation's capital, let Methodism rally to the call of Chancellor Hurst for \$11,000,000, and let the university be Methodism's crowning achievement with which to begin the work of the twentieth century. Children's Day has not lost its interest with our people, as its universal observance shows. Let us watch and restrain the tendency to display, let us not be diverted from the purpose or object for which it was instituted, viz., a collection for our educational work. The Board of Education, which shares the Children's Day fund, makes the following report: Number of students receiving aid, 1,825; average loan to each student, \$43.45; total number aided since 1883 is 8,909, with an average of \$93.52 to each student. The number of students aided in the bounds of our own Conference is 29; amount, \$1,122.25; amount contributed by the Conference to this fund is \$759.25, showing that we receive more than we give. Let us try to balance it next year.

L. W. LAYFIELD, *Chairman*.

Epworth League.

We heartily congratulate the Church upon the magnificent development of its officially authorized Young People's Society, standing, as it does, for a broader Christian culture among the young members and friends of the Church. During the year just closed God has signally honored the Epworth League upon our territory, the Presiding Elder's and District President's reports showing not only a splendid numerical growth, but also a greater degree of efficiency in all departments of systematic work. We commend the action of the Board of Con-

trol in the selection of Rev. W. P. Thirkield, D.D., as General Secretary, and desire to express our appreciation at his first official visit to our Conference, and to express our thanks for his inspiring and scholarly address delivered at our League Anniversary.

We recognize in the Epworth Herald, our official organ, an indispensable help to every League worker, and urge upon every chapter the necessity of having a large Herald subscription list among its members as a most potent means of increasing the efficiency of our membership. The importance of our Junior League work becomes more pronounced with the growth of the young organization, and we believe that this commitment of our children to the "faith of the fathers" will render future explanation of decrease in membership unnecessary. We recommend the League Reading Course, and would be glad to report a year hence that a reading circle is in operation in every chapter in our Conference.

We also urge all our members to become "Comrades of the Quiet Hour," spending a portion of each day in private Scripture reading, meditation and prayer, and thus increasing our spiritual stature in intelligent and vital piety.

A. GREEN, *Secretary*.

H. C. TURNER, *Chairman*.

Freedmen's Aid and Southern Education.

One of the knottiest of our national problems is how in wisest fashion to deal with the vast mass of illiteracy south of Mason and Dixon's Line among both blacks and whites, and it is one of the many glories of the Methodist Church that it has discovered and is using the saving way. Selfish considerations of our own safety not less than those of injustice to our Southern brothers and to these black wards of ours, imperatively demand their education and moral uplifting. Rightly understood, there is no cause among all that appeal to our Methodist hearts and purses whose claim is in justice more strong or in need more pitiful; and that it is too often a despised and neglected one only the more certainly stamps it the cause of the Master. Should it not stir a sense of shame that this collection is thus neglected! Yet these unfortunate brethren of ours are doubly worthy of our sympathy and help; first, because they are ignorant and poor and fearfully handicapped by heredity and surroundings in their life race, and, secondly, because they so gracefully receive the meagre bounty doled out to them and with such manful self-help industriously supplement it. For illustration: In their thirst for knowledge two poor, colored students, to save car fare, walked 60 miles to reach Wiley University, Marshall, Texas; and the main college building, a magnificent structure, at Claflin University, Orangesburg, S. C., was almost wholly erected by young masons and carpenters, students in the industrial department.

The Society's work is to aid in the establishment in the sixteen Southern States of Christian schools of various kinds—academic, collegiate, industrial, theological, etc.—the value of whose buildings is \$2,000,000, about equally divided between the two races. The springing up under the gracious showers of Gospel beneficence of these few cases of light and knowledge amid vast spaces of arid illiteracy and semi-barbaric darkness means far more there than would a much greater effort expended in the more intelligent North.

Already your offerings in this necessitous and worthy field are yielding an amazing harvest of good results, educational, industrial and moral, all going to the permanent betterment of these two unfortunate classes. These sixteen schools are now influencing for good on the African side alone a million of souls, one poor tenth of the whole. Want of space forbids a detailed account of the interesting history of a race heroically struggling to rise with your loving help "on stepping stones of their dead selves to higher things."

Your committee in conclusion beg you to read the *Christian Educator* and other infor-

mation periodically sent you, assured that the larger and more intelligent interest thus inspired will prompt you henceforth to give the Freedman's Aid and Southern Education Society the full support promised it by the General Conference.

W. E. WRIGHT, *Secretary*.

G. T. ALDERSON, *Chairman*.

Periodicals.

The Methodist Episcopal Church has the largest constituency of any Protestant denomination in the United States. This is one of the many reasons why we should exercise great care in the selection of our reading matter. The world groans under the burden of vile literature. We as a church are chagrined because questionable publications are flaunted in our faces and under cover, sent into our homes, consequently, it behooves every minister and layman to stand on guard for the protection of our people. We must cry aloud against this evil.

Resolved, therefore, that we earnestly urge upon our people the need and importance of using our own church literature.

Resolved, 2. That the Christian Advocate, Methodist Review and Epworth Herald should receive the widest circulation amongst both the ministry and laity of our church.

Resolved, 3. That as a Conference we denounce the Sunday newspaper as pernicious and deserving our earnest and unqualified condemnation.

Resolved, 4. That we commend the Peninsula Methodist to our congregations, believing that a wide circulation of the same will aid in the various departments of church work.

H. S. DULANY, *Secretary*.

I. G. FOSNOCHT, *Chairman*.

Philadelphia Hospital.

The committee appointed on the Methodist Episcopal Hospital of Philadelphia would respectfully report that in their judgment this institution is one of the most important and worthy objects that appeal to our sympathy and generous support. It is equipped with splendid buildings eminently adapted to the noble work it is doing. Its appliances are of the best character. Its staff of physicians and surgeons are from the highest class of practitioners which Philadelphia affords. Cleanliness, quiet and sympathy prevail in every department, and visitors are impressed on entering any of its precincts that Christian influences are everywhere, an impression which deepens as one continues within its walls.

The hospital makes reasonable charges for board and treatment when patients have ability to pay. Where there is not such ability, the work is like that of the gospel of which it is a fruitage—without money and without price. Eighty per cent. of the cases treated since the beginning of its history have been absolutely free—board, treatment, medicine. The last report shows that it is in good financial condition, but owing to the large expenses and moderate income, made so moderate because of so many free cases, unless it shall receive liberal collections from the conferences, there is danger of a serious curtailing of the work.

A very considerable number of patients from our own Conference territory have been treated within its wards. It has never refused admission to any case within its rules unless its funds were exhausted. Patients from our Conference territory have been treated with great success, some of them suffering with most serious maladies when they entered it, which threatened speedy fatal results. Patients cured of their maladies have with grateful hearts returned to their homes to speak unceasingly the praises of this noble institution.

And yet how little financial help has our Conference given it. The minutes of 1899

show that we contributed from the entire Conference \$119. Only 17 of our charges took any collection for it whatever. Men and brethren, should these things be so? Should we receive such benefits without returning more for value received? In view of the fact that any one of us may be the next patient, shall we not resolve that hereafter a collection shall be taken, however small, by each one of us for the Philadelphia hospital? We express it as our judgment that our pulpits should be open to Rev. Dr. J. A. Lippincott that he may instruct the people with regard to the hospital. CHARLES F. SHEPPARD, *Chairman*.

Sabbath Observance.

The observance of the Sabbath as required by the Divine law is vital to the prosperity of the people both as to spiritual and physical life.

Resolved, therefore, as a Conference we gladly and firmly declare our unswerving fidelity to the command, "Remember the Sabbath day to keep it holy" and urge our people to like observance.

We protest against the circulation and reading of the Sunday newspaper, with its portrayal of scandal and bloodshed, robbing the people of the spirit of worship; also against Sabbath excursions and worldly resorts; also games of ball and other forms of open and flagrant violations of the Divine law.

Be it resolved, therefore, that as a Conference we pledge our hearty support to the maintenance of the present civil law providing for the protection of the sanctity of the Lord's day.

We recommend that prominence be given to this important subject from the pulpit, in the Sunday school and the home. T. F. TABLER, *Chairman*.

Stewards' Report.

The claims upon our funds this year amount to \$15,000, while the receipts from various sources are as follows: From Conference Treasurer, \$5,920; Book-Room dividend, \$758; Chartered Fund, \$22, Centenary Fund, \$120; interest on Riddle legacy, \$95; interest on Bates legacy, \$141; interest on Reynolds legacy, \$8; interest on Academy bonds, \$90; interest on Smyrna Sewer bonds, \$50; total receipts, \$7,199. Decrease in Book-Room dividend, \$106; increase in collections, \$195; net increase this year, \$89. After much thought and earnest prayer for Divine guidance we have made the distribution of this fund to eleven superannuated preachers, nine supernumerary preachers, thirty-seven widows and the two small children of Rev. James Connor, leaving in the hands of our treasurer the sum of \$19.50 to meet various expenses. We wish we could have given more to these worthy claimants, but we have done the best we could. Last year the Conference instructed us to increase the apportionments to the several charges for this cause, believing thereby to secure larger collections. The returns indicate that a number of the pastors gave attention to the apportionments and have made increased returns for this cause, while others, if we judge by their collections, failed to pay much attention to them.

We have made the same appointments for next year, and would earnestly call the attention of the Presiding Elders and pastors to them, and would suggest that the Conference require the pastors, in making their reports of collections, to state the amount apportioned and amount raised for Conference claimants. The decision of the Court at Salisbury, Md., in the Willie F. Hooper will case, was adverse to our interest. Our counsel, Hon. James E. Ellegood, notified us of the action of the Court and advised an appeal from their de-

cision. After consultation with each other by letter, and also with a number of the brethren of the Conference, and learning that the other benevolent societies which are beneficiaries under the will had authorized an appeal, we joined with them, and the matter is in the Court of Appeals of Maryland for final decision. Our part of the cost so far is \$18, Mr. Ellegood making no charge as yet for counsel fees.

We have been greatly hindered in our work by some reports of collections for this cause not coming into our hands early in the Conference. We therefore urge upon our pastors the great importance of the complete returns of money for Conference claimants being reported to Board on the second day of Conference at farthest. We nominate Rev. E. H. Nelson as Trustee for Mrs. Annie D. Chatham, and Jay Williams, Esq., as Trustee for the children of Rev. James Conner. P. H. RAWLINS, *Chairman*.

Sunday Schools and Tracts.

The Sunday School is one of the oldest children of the Church and a very useful one. It has been blessed of God in the conversion of many of the children and young people. Our own Church has done much in that direction. Would to God she might accomplish more. We now have about 31,000 Methodist Episcopal Sunday Schools in this country alone, 350,000 officers and teachers and nearly 3,000,000 of scholars. On looking over the statistical tables for last year we find within the bounds of Wilmington Conference 396 Sunday Schools, 5,866 officers and teachers and 43,943 scholars in all departments. Of these 1,721 were reported as having been converted during that year. These Sunday Schools raised \$12,462 for missions during the Conference year ending March, 1899, so that the Sunday School is no small factor in the success of our own Conference world, and hence should be guarded with great care.

Every Sunday school should have a Christian at its head, not a person who can tell sentimental stories to the children in a very pious manner, whose piety is largely in manner and voice, but a person of sense and ability who can lead the school to victory.

Every *teacher* should have grace, and *usually* be a member of the Methodist Episcopal church. It is the opinion of your committee that there should be an overhauling in the libraries of many of our Sunday school and a bonfire take place.

We believe every Methodist Episcopal Sunday school should use our own literature and thus train our children in the doctrines of Methodism as well as the teaching of Christ.

Our Sunday school Union helps thousands of needy schools every year, and depends entirely upon the collections of the churches for its resources.

Methodism believes in using every means for saving men. The printed page has sometimes been a power in the hands of sinners to bring them to the cross. The tract has this advantage—you may argue the case with the preacher, but the tract is always conclusive. We are circulating 11,000,000 pages of this literature in a dozen different languages in this country, and every year we are sending \$10,000 abroad to help to preach the same Gospel in twenty foreign tongues. Would it not be well for the preachers of our Conference to avail themselves of the offer of the Tract Society and circulate tracts to the value of one-half the amount of their collection among their own people?

Your Committee recommend that the amount asked by the Society and apportioned to the churches be raised in full the coming year. We would also recommend that the first Sabbath in October be observed as Sunday School and Tract Sunday.

V. E. HILLS, *Secretary*.

A. BURKE, *Chairman*.

Temperance.

"WHEREAS, Our beloved country has had thrust upon it vast responsibilities in the territory which its duty as an arbiter of a nation's difficulties has brought to it; and

"WHEREAS, We have lifted one heel of oppression from the necks of these people to substitute with another; therefore

Resolved, That we, as a Conference, condemn the establishing in the territory under our care of our national vice, the legalized sale of intoxicating liquors as a beverage; and that we condemn the policy, which in one instance, has allowed about four hundred saloons to be established in Manila; and that we regret that the first exhibition of what our trading vessels will bring is that which our brewers and distillers are so anxious, and energetic in sending.

WHEREAS, With our army has gone licensed saloons under the name of army canteens, and whereas, notwithstanding Congress has decided that such canteens shall not lawfully exist, our President has decided through what is so familiarly known as the Griggs decision, that they shall; therefore, be it

Resolved, First, That we, as a Conference, do record in this way our protest and condemnation of this perversion of the nation's desire expressed through its highest legislative authority, by its executive servant, the President of these United States, who has recently announced that the Griggs decision relative to the anti-canteen law is to stand and be the policy of the government in the matter.

Resolved, That our clerical delegates be instructed, and our lay delegates requested, to prepare and to present to the coming General Conference resolutions condemning President McKinley's official action in setting aside the anti-canteen law passed by Congress.

Resolved, That we commend the efforts of the Woman's Christian Temperance Union and kindred organizations of the womanhood of our land, for their untiring zeal in petitioning Congress and the President in behalf of their sons, husbands and brothers at home, and on the nation's battlefields.

Resolved, That we assure them that our prayers shall ascend with their prayers, and that our votes shall go with their petitions in this great crisis.

Resolved, That we recommend the presentation of what is known as the million voter pledge to all the people of our congregations who have the right, and with the right, the duty of exercising the elective franchise; and we further give it as the opinion of our Conference that all our pastors set a proper example to the voters of their congregations by signing the said pledge.

Resolved, That we congratulate the people of the counties and districts of our territory who have cast out the legalized saloon. But as there remains yet much land to be possessed we would urge all our people, especially in the State of Delaware, to use all means in their power to get the question of license or no license to a vote of the people. And that we condemn the apathy of the Christian voters of New Castle county, Delaware, that prevented a petition going to the last Legislature asking for a submission of the question to the vote of the people; and the action on the part of some of the petitioners of Sussex county, and the members of the last Legislature of Delaware who fought to the death the petitions that were presented. We exhort our preachers and people to cry aloud and spare not until the voice of the majority of our voters becomes the voice of God in this matter, and then to insist that the first privilege of a government of the people, for the people, and by the people—the privilege of being heard—be accorded to them. Lastly, we incorporate with pleasure in our report the suggestion of Bishop Mallalieu, which in his own words is this: "May I depend upon you to

incorporate in your report a very clear and emphatic resolution recommending all our churches, Sunday schools and Epworth Leagues to observe the Fourth of July in a thoroughly patriotic and Christian way, in the interest of temperance reform.

We recommend this resolution of the Bishop, but wish heartily that the words temperance and regulation might be forever ruled from our phraseology on this question and total abstinence and prohibition be put in their place.

Finally, let us add to our faith works and prayer rather than patience and unjustifiable politic care in this good warfare, and in God's time, which is our time, victory will come. For of all texts of Scripture applicable to this matter our greatest condemnation is probably in Jeremiah, "My people will have it so."

W. P. COMPTON, *Chairman*.

Woman's Foreign Missionary Society.

This great and important benevolence of the Methodist Episcopal Church originated in the year 1869. A call was issued by Mrs. Dr. Butler, and she and other returned missionaries gathered together to consider the condition of their heathen sisters. During the thirty-one years of its existence how wonderful has been its growth, both in numbers and influence. From a few to a multitude; from raising a few hundred dollars and sending a few workers, now thousands of dollars are raised and many workers sent out. We therefore recommend that a society should be formed in every church, as the Conference Minutes of 1899 show that 130 charges made no contribution to the funds of this Society. We commend the organ of this Society to every person interested in the conversion of the world.

WM. R. MCFARLANE, *Chairman*.

Woman's Home Missionary Society.

The high appreciation of the Wilmington Conference for the Woman's Home Missionary Society is evidenced in that which is more potent than flattering resolutions or laudatory compliments, for "things seen are mightier than things heard."

The increase in the annual receipts of more than \$600—a gain of about 40 per cent.—is a most substantial expression of good will. Notwithstanding this handsome advance, we would urge the organization of auxiliary societies upon every charge within the bounds of the Conference. If \$2,300 can be raised by twenty-one auxiliaries, what could be accomplished if all the 170 charges in the Conference were thus organized? A standing invitation is hereby extended to the President of the Woman's Home Missionary Society to visit all the charges in the Wilmington Conference for the purpose of auxiliary organization.

Your Committee would urge the taking of special interest in the raising of the one thousand dollars assigned to the Conference as our portion of the \$200,000 to be collected as a Twentieth Century offering to the Woman's Home Missionary Society.

Should not our watchword to day be "America for Christ," which everybody understands to mean, "The world for Christ?" Missionaries abroad, pray for the regeneration of America in behalf of darkest heathendom. If our light fails, universal Christendom will be wrapped in gloom. Here, in our great Republic, where are twenty-five millions of the followers of Jesus, a vast army arrayed to save our country and capture our cities for the Redeemer; here, where the colossal Statue of Liberty Enlightening the World could only find an appropriate standing place, pointing all the world like an evangel to our vast Western domain, where the brotherhood of man, the fatherhood of God and the kingship of Jesus are

to become the ruling truths of the Nation; here, where the last great continent has been discovered lying in the highway of travel between Asia and Europe and Africa; here, where all races and nationalities are congregating; here, in America, is to be fought the culminating conflict of the ages, and here Christianity must triumph, that a redeemed world may be given unto Him who is King of Kings and Lord of Lords.

E. W. CASWELL, *Secretary.*

T. C. SMOOT, *Chairman.*

Twentieth Century Thank Offering.

I. Committee Report.

The committee of the Twentieth Century Thank Offering, appointed at the last Conference, deem it necessary only to make a brief report in addition to the one made by the Secretary, Dr. J. D. C. Hanna. Bro. Hanna having been appointed by the Conference to devote all his time to lecturing during the week for salary and expenses, and to raising funds on Sunday for the Conference Academy and Stewards Endowment Fund, the committee has sought in every possible way to aid the Secretary in the accomplishment of his task. We have held five meetings of the committee during the year and have as carefully as possible considered the interests intrusted to our care. At a meeting held in June, it was thought that if Brother Hanna could be relieved of the lecturing, and devote all his time to soliciting funds, the result might be more gratifying, but the committee did not feel that it had the right to change the plan of work authorized by this body, hence Bro. Hanna has applied himself as you directed last year, and with pleasure we indicate to the Conference the result of the year's work. He has had a year of great toil and sacrifice, working through all weathers, surrendering almost completely the joys of home life, taking not an hour's vacation, overcoming innumerable difficulties, and visiting nearly all the charges in the Conference.

His labors cannot be described, nor too highly appreciated by this body, but the 140 sermons preached, and 170 lectures delivered show that he has performed a task under which only a strong man could stand. And it is our judgment that he has done as good work, and achieved as great results as any one could have done under the circumstances. The gathering of about \$10,000 in cash and subscription at his preaching services and lectures shows indeed wonderful industry and perseverance.

The committee would also commend in the highest terms of praise the earnest effort of the Principal of the Academy, Rev. V. S. Collins, for the success he has achieved in raising funds for the Academy as twentieth century offering.

With pleasure we congratulate the churches which have struggled so manfully and successfully to liquidate debts on church and parsonage property, as their contribution to the jubilee offering.

The committee is of the opinion that the effort toward increasing the thank offering fund by this Conference should be continued during the coming year, believing that there is still a great harvest to be gathered. The committee makes the following recommendations:

1. That a standing committee be appointed to plan for and continue the work contemplated by the call for the thank offering during the coming year.
2. That Rev. J. D. C. Hanna, D. D., be reappointed Secretary, and that his salary be the same as last year and shall be paid out of the funds which he may collect.
3. That all gifts to the thank offering fund above the salary of the Secretary and not otherwise designated shall be given to the Conference Academy.
4. That the preachers heartily co-operate with the Secretary and Bro. Collins in gather-

ing a great thank offering, and that they be given the opportunity of presenting the subject to our congregations.

JOHN FRANCE, *Chairman.*

II. Report of Rev. J. D. C. Hanna, Secretary.

Dover District.

Beckwith, Md.	
Lecture	\$ 35 47
Improvements	169 00
Total	\$ 204 47

Bridgeville, Del.	
Unpaid subscriptions	\$ 100 00
Cash offering	44 95
To Dickinson College	100 00
Lecture	26 84
Total	\$ 271 79

Burrsville, Md.	
Lecture	\$ 8 75
Improvements	191 00
Total	\$ 199 75

Cambridge, Md.	
Unpaid subscription	\$ 21 00
Cash offering	88 75
Improvements	200 00
Total	\$ 309 75

Camden, Del.	
Lecture	\$ 22 37

Cannon, Del.	
Lecture at Bethel	\$ 34 80
Church debts	112 00
Improvements	12 00
Total	\$ 158 80

Canterbury, Del.	
Lecture	\$ 22 84

Church Creek, Md.	
Lecture	\$ 8 28
Improvements	300 00
Total	\$ 308 28

Crapo, Md.	
Lecture at St. Thomas'	\$ 13 89
Improvements	30 00
Total	\$ 43 89

Denton, Md.	
Unpaid subscriptions	\$ 8 85
Cash offering	23 55
Lecture	16 86
Church debts	900 00
Total	\$ 949 26

Dover, Wesley.	
Unpaid subscriptions	\$ 24 90
Cash offering	61 33
Lectures	38 37
Sunday School	8 89
Church debts	500 00
Improvements	435 00
Total	\$1070 49

Dover, Armory.	
Church debts	\$ 104 00
Improvements	163 00
Total	\$ 267 00

East New Market, Md.	
Lecture	\$ 27 05
Church debts	50 00
Improvements	150 00
Total	\$ 227 05

Ellendale, Del.	
Lecture	\$ 7 60
Improvements	60 00
Total	\$ 67 60

Elliott's Island, Md.	
Improvements	\$ 50 00

Farmington, Del.	
Lecture	\$ 13 15
Church debts	100 00
Improvements	140 00
Total	\$ 253 15

Federalsburg, Md.	
Lecture	\$ 17 70

Improvements 72 00
 Total \$ 89 70

Felton, Del.

Lecture \$ 27 01

Frederica, Del.

Unpaid subscriptions \$ 3 20
 Cash offering 17 56
 Lecture 24 50
 Improvements 250 00

Total \$ 295 26

Greenwood, Del.

Lecture \$ 18 10

Galestown, Md.

Unpaid subscriptions at Gales-
 town \$ 2 25
 Cash offering at Galestown 6 66
 Unpaid subscriptions at Cokes-
 bury 10 80
 Cash offering at Cokesbury 2 25
 Lecture at Cokesbury 13 82
 Lecture at Wesley 11 50
 Improvements 925 00

Total \$ 972 28

Georgetown, Del.

Unpaid subscriptions \$ 2 70
 Cash offering 60 11
 Lecture 20 60
 Church debts 150 00

Total \$ 233 41

Georgetown Circuit, Del.

Lecture at Cokesbury \$ 6 82
 Improvements 125 00

Total \$ 131 82

Harrington, Del.

Unpaid subscriptions \$ 50
 Cash offering 21 76
 Lecture 19 25
 Church debts 160 00

Total \$ 201 51

Hooper's Island, Md.

Church debts \$ 43 00

Improvements 88 09

*Total \$ 131 00

Houston, Del.

Improvements \$3200 00

Hurlock, Md.

Cash offerings \$ 43 41
 Improvements 3000 00

Total \$3043 41

Lakesville, Md.

Church debts \$ 65 00
 Improvements 150 00

Total \$ 215 00

Leipsic, Md.

Church debts \$1070 00
 Improvements 15 00

Total \$1085 00

Lewes, Del.

Unpaid subscriptions \$ 222 35
 Cash offering 58 76
 Lecture 47 75
 Improvements 115 00

Total \$ 443 86

Lincoln, Del.

Lecture \$ 18 00
 Improvements 200 00

Total \$ 218 00

Little Creek, Del.

Lecture \$ 12 10

Magnolia, Del.

Cash offering \$ 20 04
 Lecture 9 55
 Improvements 135 00

Total \$ 164 59

Milford, Del.

Unpaid subscriptions \$ 18 50
 Cash offering 153 79
 Lecture 44 95

Total \$ 217 24

Milton, Del.

Unpaid subscription \$ 10
 Cash offering 15 85
 Lecture 21 45
 Church debts 150 00

Total \$ 187 40

Nassau, Del.

Lecture at Rehoboth \$ 13 00
 Lecture at Ebenezer 20 26
 Church debts 120 00
 Improvements 200 00

Total \$ 353 26

Preston, Md.

Lecture \$ 11 80

Salem, Md.

Lecture \$ 3 23
 Improvements 608 00

Total \$ 611 23

Seaford, Del.

Unpaid subscriptions \$ 40 25
 Cash offering 53 25
 Improvements 100 00

Total \$ 193 50

Vienna, Md.

Lecture \$ 23 80

Easton District.

Bayside, Md.
 Improvements \$ 100 00

Cecilton, Md.

Unpaid subscriptions at Cecilton . . . \$ 1 25
 Unpaid subscriptions at St. Paul's . . . 7 00
 Cash offering at Cecilton 23 95
 Cash offering at St. Paul's 24 40
 Lecture at Cecilton 23 80
 Lecture at St. Paul's 11 40
 Church debts 68 00
 Improvements 25 00

Total \$ 184 80

Centreville, Md.

Unpaid subscriptions \$ 7 85
 Cash offering at Centreville 168 75
 Cash offering at Ebenezer 30 85

Williamsburg, Md.

Cash offering \$ 5 46
 Sunday school 6 00
 Church debt 150 00
 Improvements 75 00

Total \$ 236 46

Williston, Md.

Unpaid subscriptions at Bloom-
 ery \$ 25
 Cash offering 4 20
 Lecture at Concord 16 57
 Improvements 45 00

Total \$ 66 02

Wyoming, Del.

Lecture \$ 16 61
 Church debt 336 00
 Improvements 470 00

Total \$ 822 61

Zoar, Del.

Church debts \$ 44 00

Conditional subscription not in-
 cluded above 100 00

Lectures 71 40
 Improvements 172 00
 Total \$ 450 85

Cheswold, Del.

Cash offering at Cheswold \$ 23 40
 Cash offering at Bethel 10 20
 Lecture at Cheswold 24 85
 Lecture at Bethel 19 05

Total \$ 77 50

Chestertown, Md.

Cash offering \$ 82 10
 Lecture 26 55

Total \$ 108 65

Church Hill, Md.

Lecture	\$ 15 90
Improvements	1900 00
Total	\$1915 90

Clayton, Del.

Unpaid subscription	\$ 25 00
Cash offering	2 00
Lecture	22 85
Debts	275 00
Total	\$ 324 85

Cordova, Md.

Lecture	\$ 18 95
Church debts	245 00
Improvements	60 00
Total	\$ 323 95

Crumpton, Md.

Lecture	\$ 24 44
Lecture at Union	11 85
Church debts	10 00
Improvements	936 00
Total	\$ 982 29

Easton, Md.

Unpaid subscriptions	\$ 165 15
Cash offering	43 25
Lecture	27 16
Church debts	70 00
Improvements	40 00
Total	\$ 345 56

Fairlee, Md.

Lecture	\$ 23 45
Improvements	160 00
Total	\$ 183 45

Galena, Md.

Lecture	\$ 23 02
Improvements	150 00
Total	\$ 173 02

Golts, Md.

Lecture	\$ 14 28
Improvements	200 00
Total	\$ 214 28

Greensboro, Md.

Unpaid subscriptions	\$ 24 75
Cash offering	30 50
Lecture	33 40
Total	\$ 88 65

Hillsboro, Md.

Unpaid subscriptions at Hillsboro	\$ 104 10
Unpaid subscriptions at Ridgeley	1 75
Cash offering at Hillsboro	23 21
Cash offering at Ridgeley	35 40
Lecture at Hillsboro	18 10
Lecture at Ridgeley	33 40
Church debts	118 00
Improvements	678 00
Total	\$1011 96

Ingleside, Md.

Lecture at Roseville	\$ 17 16
Improvements	200 00
Total	\$ 217 16

Kent Island, Md.

Church debts	\$ 650 00
Improvements	150 00
Total	\$ 800 00

Kenton, Md.

Cash offering	\$ 10 10
Lecture	17 40
Church debts	50 00
Improvements	700 00
Total	\$ 777 50

Marydel, Md.

Lecture at Marydel	\$ 9 04
Lecture at Templeville	18 25
Church debts	81 00
Improvements	150 00
Total	\$ 258 29

Middletown, Del.

Unpaid subscriptions	\$ 131 00
Cash offering	58 00
Lecture	11 60

Church debts	200 00
Total	\$ 400 60

Millington, Md.

Lecture	\$ 32 35
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Odessa, Del.

Cash offering	\$ 34 68
Lecture	14 30
Church debts	48 00
Improvements	68 00
Total	\$ 164 98

Oxford, Md.

Lecture	\$ 28 00
Church debts	93 00
Improvements	80 00
Total	\$ 201 00

Piney Neck, Md.

Church debts	\$ 140 00
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Pomona, Md.

Unpaid subscriptions	\$ 3 75
Cash offering	32 60
Lecture	25 40
Improvements	180 00
Total	\$ 241 75

Queenstown, Md.

Lecture	\$ 17 22
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Rock Hall, Md.

Lecture	\$ 23 25
Church debt	75 00
Improvements	50 00
Total	\$ 148 25

Royal Oak, Md.

Lecture at Ferry Neck	\$ 28 15
Church debts	51 00
Improvements	100 00
Total	\$ 179 15

St. Michaels, Md.

Unpaid subscriptions	\$ 11 00
Cash offering	25 46
Lectures	65 12
Church debts	350 00

Improvements	369 00
Total	\$ 820 58

Smyrna, Del.

Unpaid subscriptions	\$ 89 00
Cash offering	11 00
Lecture	15 45
Church debts	390 00
Improvements	1925 00
Total	\$2430 45

Smyrna Circuit.

Lecture at Friendship	\$ 25 70
Church debts	100 00
Improvements	275 00
Total	\$ 400 70

Still Pond, Md.

Lecture	\$ 14 30
Church debts	400 00
Improvements	20 00
Total	\$ 434 30

Sudlersville, Md.

Sunday school	\$ 1 54
Lecture	19 45
Total	\$ 20 99

Talbot Circuit.

Lecture at Broad Creek	\$ 25 00
Improvements	215 00
Total	\$ 240 00

Tilghman's Island.

Lectures	\$ 20 35
Improvements	190 00
Total	\$ 210 35

Townsend, Del.

Unpaid subscriptions at Townsend	\$ 7 25
Cash at Townsend	10 50
Cash at Blackbird	5 61
Lecture at Townsend	19 00
Improvements	1000 00
Total	\$1042 36

Trappe, Md.

Unpaid subscriptions	\$ 2 60
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Cash offering	37 11
Improvements	160 00
Total	\$ 199 71
Wye and Starr, Md.	
Lecture	\$ 20 75

Salisbury District.

Annamessex, Md.	
Lecture	\$ 21 05
Improvements	200 00
Total	\$ 221 05
Asbury, Md.	
Unpaid subscriptions	\$ 27 10
Cash offering	32 75
Lecture	22 05
Improvements	300 00
Total	\$ 381 90
Berlin, Md.	
Unpaid subscriptions	\$ 2 50
Cash offering	46 85
Lecture	39 15
Improvements	425 00
Total	\$ 513 50
Bethel, Del.	
Unpaid subscriptions	\$ 5 50
Cash offering	10 35
Improvements	70 00
Total	\$ 85 85
Bishopville, Md.	
Cash offering	\$ 129 60
Lecture	20 45
Improvements	30 00
Total	\$ 180 05
Cape Charles, Va.	
Church debts	\$ 338 00
Improvements	100 00
Total	\$ 438 00
Chincoteague, Va.	
Lecture	\$ 15 00
Church debts	620 00

Church debts	270 00
Improvements	150 00
Total	\$440 75
Unpaid subscription, not included above 100 00	

Improvements	50 00
Total	\$ 685 00
Crisfield, Md.	
Unpaid subscriptions	\$ 232 75
Cash offering	125 50
Lecture	\$ 21 00
Church debts	150 00
Improvements	350 00
Total	\$ 879 25
Delmar, Del.	
Unpaid subscriptions	\$ 4 50
Cash offering	36 55
Improvements	872 00
Total	\$ 913 05
Deal's Island, Md.	
Lecture	\$ 16 41
Fairmount, Md.	
Unpaid subscriptions at Fair- mount	\$ 44 35
Cash offering at Fairmount	22 50
Unpaid Subscriptions at Union	51 10
Cash offering at Union	4 85
Church debt	100 00
Improvements	50 00
Total	\$ 272 80
Frankford, Del.	
Lecture	\$ 8 00
Improvements	115 00
Total	\$ 123 00
Fruitland, Del.	
Lecture at Siloam	\$ 15 00
Church debts	50 00
Improvements	1700 00
Total	\$1765 00

Girdletree, Md.	
Unpaid subscriptions at Good- will	\$ 50
Cash offering at Goodwill	6 16
Lecture at Goodwill	11 75
Lecture at Girdletree	20 85
Church debts	60 00
Improvements	300 00
Total	\$ 399 26

Gumboro, Del.	
Lecture	\$ 12 17

Hallwood, Va.	
Improvements	\$ 25 00

Holland's Island, Md.	
Improvements	\$ 105 00

Laurel, Del.	
Unpaid subscriptions	\$ 29 29
Cash offering	27 45
Total	\$ 56 74

Mardela Springs, Md.	
Lecture	\$ 27 00

Marion, Md.	
Church debts	\$2341 00
Improvements	10 00
Total	\$2351 00

Millsboro, Md.	
Unpaid subscriptions	\$ 75
Cash offering	14 37
Lecture	20 80
Church debts	50 00
Improvements	22 00
Total	\$ 107 92

Mt. Pleasant, Del.	
Sunday school	\$ 8 00
Church debts	130 00
Improvements	110 00
Total	\$ 248 00

Mt. Vernon, Md.	
Lecture	\$ 5 35
Church debts	150 00
Total	\$ 155 35

Nanticoke, Md.	
Unpaid subscriptions at Tyaskin \$	5 55
Cash offering at Tyaskin	12 45
Lecture at Tyaskin	36 85
Lecture at Trinity	30 96
Church debts	19 00
Improvements	2911 00
Total	\$3015 81

Newark, Md.	
Improvements	\$2400 00

Onancock, Va.	
Lecture	\$ 34 40

Parkesley, Va.	
Improvements	\$ 250 00

Parsonsburg, Md.	
Lecture	\$ 6 90
Sunday schools	2 00
Church debts	6 00
Improvements	18 00
Total	\$ 32 90

Pocomoke City, Md.	
Unpaid subscriptions	\$ 1 35
Cash offering	\$ 37 11
Lecture	33 33
Improvements	89 00
Total	\$ 160 79

Pocomoke Circuit, Md.	
Cash offering	\$ 5 00
Improvements	75 00
Total	\$ 80 00

Powellville, Md.	
Church debts	\$ 125 00
Improvements	450 00
Total	\$ 575 00

Quantico, Md.	
Unpaid subscriptions at Rocka- walkin	\$ 2 00
Cash offering at Rockawalking	14 65
Lecture at Rockawalking	20 05
Lecture at Hebron	23 15
Church debts	50 00

Improvements 200 00
 Total \$ 309 85

Roxana, Del.

Lecture at Bethel \$ 19 00
 Church debts 1000 00

Total \$1019 00

St. Peter's, Md.

Lecture \$ 26 70
 Church debts 25 00
 Improvements 100 00

Total \$ 151 70

Salisbury, Md.

Unpaid subscriptions \$ 7 50
 Cash offering 60 45
 Improvements 400 00

Total \$ 467 95

Selbyville, Del.

Lecture \$ 25 55
 Church debts 540 00

Total \$ 565 55

Sharptown, Md.

Lecture \$ 29 86
 Improvements 75 00

Total \$ 104 86

Smith's Island, Md.

Lecture \$ 31 68

Wilmidgton District.**Bethel and Summit.**

Lecture at Bethel \$ 8 93
 Improvements 225 00

Total \$ 233 93

Charlestown, Md.

Lecture \$ 10 94
 Improvements 230 00

Total \$ 240 94

Cherry Hill, Md.

Lecture \$ 41 65

Chesapeake City, Md.

Lecture \$ 22 90

Church debts 200 00
 Improvements 60 00

Total \$ 291 68

Snow Hill, Md.

Improvements \$6500 00

Somerset, Md.

Lecture at Rock Creek \$ 29 05
 Lecture at Dame's Quarter 17 74
 Improvements 50 00

Total \$ 96 79

Stockton, Md.

Lecture \$ 24 07
 Improvements 1450 00

Total \$1424 07

Tangier, Va.

Unpaid subscriptions \$ 17 75
 Cash offering 72 20
 Lecture 21 97
 Church debts 1620 00

Improvements 435 00

Total \$2166 92

Westover, Md.

Lecture \$ 14 95

Whitesville, Del.

Cash offering \$ 60 00

Conditional subscription not included above \$ 100 00

Church debts 375 00

Total \$ 397 90

Chester, Del.

Lectures \$ 22 58
 Church debts 100 00

Improvements 268 00

Total \$ 390 58

Christiana, Del.

Lecture \$ 21 20

Claymont, Del.

Lectures \$ 33 11
 Improvements 135 00

Total \$ 168 11

Colora, Md.

Lecture \$ 32 76
 Improvements 10 00

Total \$ 42 76

Delaware City, Del.

Lecture \$ 33 75
 Improvements \$ 135 05

Total \$ 168 75

Elk Neck, Md.

Lecture, Hart's and Wesley \$ 40 00
 Improvements 40 00

Total \$ 80 00

Elkton, Md.

Unpaid subscriptions \$ 1 35
 Cash offering 132 76

Lecture 43 45
 Church debts 1000 00

Total \$1177 56

Hockessin, Del.

Lecture \$ 29 35
 Church debts 59 00

Improvements 300 00

Total \$ 388 35

Hopewell, Md.

Unpaid subscriptions \$ 1 65
 Cash offering 17 00

Lecture 35 10
 Improvements 50 00

Total \$ 103 75

Marshallton and Stanton.

Lecture at Marshallton \$ 15 67
 Lecture at Stanton 21 32

Total \$ 36 99

Mt. Lebanon, Del.

Improvements \$ 800 00

Mt. Pleasant and Union.

Unpaid subscriptions \$ 147 50
 Cash offering 14 25

Lecture 48 40
 Improvements 50 00

Total \$ 260 15

Newark and Wesley.

Lecture \$ 47 50
 Improvements \$ 333 00

Total \$ 380 50

New Castle, Del.

Unpaid subscriptions \$ 31 20
 Cash offering 24 00

Improvements 44 00

Total \$ 99 20

Newport, Del.

Unpaid subscriptions \$ 4 90
 Cash offering 27 50

Lecture 30 75
 Improvements 150 00

Total \$ 213 15

Northeast, Md.

Unpaid subscriptions \$ 102 00
 Cash offering 38 55

Lecture 46 90
 Improvements 5 00

Total \$ 192 45

Perryville, Md.

Cash offering \$ 10 00
 Lecture 15 00

Church debts 103 00
 Improvements 150 00

Total \$ 278 00

Port Deposit, Md.

Unpaid subscriptions \$ 6 00
 Cash offering 78 80

Lecture 39 35
 Church debts 300 00

Improvements 50 00

Total \$ 474 15

Port Penn.

Church debts \$ 300 00

Red Lion and Glasgow.

Lecture at Red Lion \$ 31 56
 Lecture at Glasgow 15 58

Improvements 90 00

Total \$ 137 14

Rising Sun, Md.	
Unpaid subscriptions, Rising Sun	\$ 19 10
Unpaid subscriptions, Sylmar	5 75
Cash at Rising Sun	26 25
Cash at Sylmar	1 25
Lecture at Rising Sun	30 00
Improvements	312 00
Total	\$ 394 35

St. George's, Del.	
Lecture	\$ 42 35
Improvements	175 00
Total	\$ 217 35

St. John's, Md.	
Lecture	\$ 35 30
Improvements	51 00
Total	\$ 86 30

Asbury, Wilmington.	
Unpaid subscriptions	\$ 23 25
Cash offering	91 95
Sunday school	2 26
Lecture	53 70
Church debts	3000 00
Total	\$3171 16

Brandywine and Edgmoor.	
Unpaid subscriptions	\$ 48 25
Cash offering	15 10
Lecture	29 10
Improvements	131 00
Total	\$ 223 45

Cookman.	
Lecture	\$ 14 65
Church debts	1000 00
Improvements	27 00
Total	\$1041 65

Eastlake.	
Improvements	\$ 219 00

Elsmere.	
Improvements	\$ 100 00

Epworth.	
Unpaid subscriptions	\$ 100 00
Lecture	25 00

Church debts	1925 00
Improvements	250 00
Total	\$ 2300 00

Grace.	
Unpaid subscription	\$ 100 00
Lecture	27 25
Church debts	5300 00
Improvements	75 00
Total	\$5502 25

Harrison Street.	
Unpaid subscriptions	\$ 40 00
Cash offering	130 82
Expenses	30 50
Church debts	1400 00
Total	\$1601 32

Kingswood.	
Lecture	\$ 12 68
Church debts	1087 00
Improvements	75 00
Total	\$1174 68

Madeley.	
Unpaid subscriptions	\$ 18 25
Cash offering	3 00
Lecture	20 30
Church debts	60 00
Improvements	1200 00
Total	\$1301 55

Mt. Salem.	
Unpaid subscriptions	\$ 4 15
Cash offering	87 15
Lecture at Mt. Salem	46 30
Lecture at Riddle's Chapel	27 60
Total	\$ 165 20

St. Paul's.	
Unpaid subscriptions	\$ 69 63
Cash offering	235 60
Lecture	31 15
Improvements	300 00
Total	\$ 636 38

Scott.	
Unpaid subscriptions	\$ 4 45

Cash offering	62 91
Lecture	17 80
Church debts	300 00
Improvements	3650 00
Total	\$4025 16

Silverbrook.	
Unpaid subscriptions	\$ 32 65
Cash offering	13 00
Lecture	28 55
Sunday school	25 00
Improvements	276 00
Total	\$ 375 20

Swedish Mission.	
Improvements	\$ 200 00

Union.	
Unpaid subscriptions	\$ 109 00
Cash offering	26 00
Lectures	76 00
Church debts	\$1000 00
Improvements	100 00
Total	\$1311 00

Dover District.	
Lecture receipts	\$ 694 64
Cash offerings	681 68
Unpaid subscriptions	555 65
Sunday Schools	14 89
Debts	4,054 00
Improvements	11,673 00
Dickinson College	100 00
Total	\$17,773 86

Easton District.	
Lecture receipts	\$ 911.09
Cash offerings	723 07
Unpaid subscriptions	681 45
Sunday Schools	1 54
Debts	3,684 00
Improvements	10,403 00
Total	\$16,404 15

Salisbury District.	
Lecture receipts	\$ 702 24

Wesley, Wilmington.	
Lecture	\$ 22 05
Improvements	600 00
Total	\$ 622 05

Zion, Md.	
Unpaid subscriptions at Union	\$ 2 55
Unpaid subscriptions at Ebenezer	2 50
Cash offering at Zion	1 25
Cash offering at Union	16 95
Cash offering at Calvert	21 70
Cash offering at Ebenezer	19 45
Lecture at Zion	23 00
Lecture at Union	24 65
Lecture at Ebenezer	51 75
Church debts	253 00
Improvements	150 00
Total	\$ 566 80

Wilmington District Epworth League.	
Cash offering	\$ 10 00
Lecture at Calvary Baptist church	24 03
Conditional subscriptions not included above	\$ 300 00

General Statement.

Cash offerings	718 79
Unpaid subscriptions	532 49
Sunday Schools	8 00
Debts	7,573 00
Improvements	20,247 00
Total	\$29,781 52

Wilmington District.	
Lecture receipts	\$1,381 56
Cash offerings	1,104 64
Unpaid subscriptions	1,175 13
Sunday Schools	27 26
Debts	17,562 00
Improvements	10,956 00
Total	\$32,206 59

Grand Totals.	
Lecture receipts	\$ 3,689 53
Cash offerings	3,228 18
Unpaid subscriptions	2,944 72
Sabbath Schools	51 69
Debts	32,873 00

Improvements	53,279 00
Dickinson College	100 00
Total	\$96,166 12

Cash Receipts.

Cash from lectures	\$ 3,689 53
Cash offerings	3,228 18
Cash from Sunday Schools	51 69
Total	\$ 6,969 40

Expenses.	
Salary	\$ 1,500 00
House rent	300 00
Traveling expenses	200 00
House furnishing	728 40
Interest on note	32 50
Printing	300 00
Entertainment expense	1,305 71
Total	\$ 4,366 61
Net cash	\$ 2,602 79

JOHN D. C. HANNA, *Secretary Twentieth Century Thank Offering.*

Disciplinary Questions.

1. Who have been Received by Transfer and from what Conferences?

E. C. Sunfield, New Jersey; V. E. Hills, East Maine; J. T. Richardson, East Maine; J. R. Cannon, Blue Ridge; E. W. Caswell, New England Southern; W. W. King, St. Louis; Evert C. Wright, St. Louis; L. P. Karholsen, Central New York; Alvan C. Willey, Central New York.

2. Who have been Re-admitted?

None.

3. Who have been Received on Credentials and from what Churches?

Edward H. Dashiell, Methodist Episcopal Church, South; Oscar L. Martin, Methodist Episcopal Church, South.

4. Who have been Received on Trial?

(a) *In Studies of First Year.*

Joseph E. Gallagher, Howard Davis, Clarence N. Jones, John M. Arters, William C. Poole, Norman C. Benson, Frank N. Faulkner, Goldsborough W. Hastings, William Ernest Greenfield.

(b) *In Studies of Third Year.*

None.

5. Who have been Continued on Trial?

(a) *In Studies of First Year.*

None.

(b) *In Studies of Second Year.*

John L. Johnson, Wm. E. Wright.

(c) *In Studies of Third Year.*

Andrew H. Covey.

(d) *In Studies of Fourth Year.*

Edward N. Cantwell, George W. Dawson.

6. Who have been Discontinued.

John Jones.

7. Who have been Admitted into Full Membership?

(a) *Elected and Ordained Deacons this year.*

Omar E. Jones, Floyd E. Bloxton, John W. Jones, Frederick X. Moore, Harry Taylor.

(b) *Elected and Ordained Deacons previously.*

Evert C. Wright, Hugh B. Kelso, George R. Ellis.

8. What Members are in Studies of Third Year?

Omar E. Jones, Floyd E. Bloxton, John W. Jones, Frederick X. Moore, Harry Taylor, Evert C. Wright, Edward H. Dashiell.

(b) *Admitted into Full Membership previously.*

None.

9. What Members are in Studies of Fourth Year?

James W. Talley, John W. Prettyman, Daniel J. Givan.

10. What Members have Completed the Conference Course of Study?

(a) *Elected and Ordained Elders this year.*

Luther E. Poole, Clarence E. Hastings, Thomas R. VanDyke, Hugh B. Kelso, George R. Ellis.

(b) *Elected and Ordained Elders previously.*

None.

11. What others have been Elected and Ordained Deacons?

(a) *As Local Preachers.*

A. Howard Covey, James H. Gardner, Milton McCann, W. Ernest Greenfield.

(b) *Under Missionary Rule.*

None.

12. What others have been Elected and Ordained Elders?

(a) *As Local Deacons.*

None.

(b) *Under Missionary Rule.*

None.

13. Was the Character of each Preacher examined?

It was.

14. Who have been Transferred and to what Conference?

J. L. Nelson, East Maine; I. L. Wood, New England Southern; Julius Dodd, New Jersey; Henry Baker, Pittsburg; E. S. Mace, Central New York; Fridolph Soderman, New York East; W. H. S. Loller, Central New York.

15. Who have Died?

E. H. Hynson, T. S. Williams, W. E. England, Henry Sanderson, A. D. Davis.

16. Who have been Located at their own Request?

E. L. Cross.

17. Who have been Located?

None.

18. Who have Withdrawn?

Harold M. Thurlow.

19. Who have been Permitted to Withdraw under Charges or Complaints?

None.

20. Who have been Expelled?

None.

21. What other Personal Notation should be made?

None.

22. Who are the Supernumerary Preachers?

W. L. P. Bowen, John France, T. H. Haynes, S. J. Morris, P. H. Rawlins, J. D. Rigg, J. O. Sypherd, G. W. Wilcox, Warren Burr, W. M. Greene, J. B. Merritt, J. W. Poole, W. W. Redman, A. T. Scott, J. R. Todd.

23. Who are the Superannuated Preachers?

James Carroll, James Esgate, G. A. Phoebus, W. F. Talbot, W. E. Tomkinson, F. O. B. Wallin, W. M. Warner, Edward Davis, J. W. Hammersly, B. F. Price, C. J. Hammitt.

24. Who are the Triers of Appeals?

H. S. Thompson, Aloycius Green, T. B. Cooper, W. G. Koons, F. C. McSorley, R. W. Todd, Alfred Smith.

25. What is the Statistical Report for this year?

See Tables.

26. What is the Aggregate of Benevolent Collections ordered by the General Conference, as reported by the Conference Treasurer?

\$33,354.

27. What are the Claims on the Conference Fund?

\$15,000.

28. What has been Received on these Claims, and how has it been Applied?

\$7,299. See Steward's Report.

29. Where are the Preachers Stationed?

See list of appointments.

30. Where shall the Next Conference be held?

Seaford, Del.

Conference Directory.

[The letters designate the present relation. P., Probation, D., Deacon; E., Elder; Sd., Superannuated; Sy., Supernumerary. The figures in the last column indicate the time of admission *on trial*. Those in the last column the year of appointment.]

1872 Adams, R. H. E.	Easton, Md. 3
1888 Alderson, G. T. E.	Onancock, Va. 1
1888 Anderson, J. F. E.	Powellville, Md. 1
1870 Arters, J. A. E.	Cecilton, Md. 4
1877 Atkins, E. C. E.	Centreville, Md. 3
1877 Avery, W. E. E.	Wilmington, Del. 1
1900 Arters, J. M. P.	Fairlee, Md. 2
1881 Baker, C. S. E.	Dover, Del. 3
1876 Barrett, L. E. E.	Milford, Del. 3
1894 Beauchamp, J. H. E.	St. Michael's, Md. 2
1892 Beauchamp, T. F. E.	Williston, Md. 2
1897 Bennett, W. O. E.	Fruitland, Md. 1
1900 Benson, N. C. P.	Little Creek, Del. 1
1898 Bloxton, F. E. D.	Crumpton, Md. 2

1890 Bounds, G. W. E.	Tangier, Va. 1
1876 Bowen, W. L. P. Sy.	Newark, Md.
1885 Bowman, G. W. E.	Woodlawn, Md. 2
1890 Brewington, J. A. E.	Cordova, Md. 1
1894 Budd, H. G. E.	Berlin, Md. 3
1886 Burke, Asbury E.	Oriole, Md. 1
1865 Burke, G. W. E.	Booth's Corner, Pa. 2
1888 Burr, Warren Sy.	Ocean View, Va.
1880 Cannon, J. R. E.	Pomona, Md. 2
1899 Cantwell, E. N. D.	Hockessin, Del. 2
1888 Carpenter, F. F. E.	Frankford, Del. 2
1865 Carroll, James Sd.	Milford, Del.
1870 Caswell, E. W. E.	Middletown, Del. 2
1888 Chaires, W. W. E.	Tilghman, Md. 4
1876 Chandler Albert E.	Hurlock, Md. 2
1881 Cochran, F. J. E.	Roxana, Del. 2
1876 Collins, J. M. E.	Bethel, Del. 2
1883 Collins, V. S. E.	Dover, Del. 3
1895 Collins, E. H. E.	Whitesville, Del. 1
1888 Compton, W. P. E.	Newark, Del. 2
1862 Conaway, G. S. E.	Chesapeake City, Md. 3
1892 Cooper, T. B. E.	Oxford, Md. 3
1881 Corkran, L. P. E.	Fairmount, Md. 3
1876 Corkran, W. F. E.	Smyrna, Del. 4
1887 Coursey, R. T. E.	Newport, Del. 1
1899 Covey, A. H. D.	Wittman, Md. 1
1884 Crowe, James E.	Wilmington, Del. 3
1896 Dashiell, E. H. D.	Rockland, Del. 2
1869 Davis, Edward Sd.	Newark, Md.
1900 Davis, Howard P.	Tunis' Mills, Md. 1
1884 Dawson, W. F. E.	Wilmington, Del. 2
1899 Dawson, G. W. D.	Perryville, Md. 2
1884 Derrickson, E. H. E.	Bellevue, Del. 3
1893 De Venish, O. W. E.	Clayton, Del. 3
1871 Du Hadway, W. J. E.	Milton, Del. 3
1886 Dulany, H. S. E.	Millington, Md. 1
1885 Easley, J. W. E.	Wilmington, Del. 3
1898 Ellis, G. R. E.	Kenton, Del. 2
1866 Esgate, James Sd.	. . . . .
1889 Fogle, J. W. E.	Seaford, Del. 3
1868 Fosnocht, I. G. E.	Farmington, Del. 4
1856 France, John Sy.	Wilmington, Del.
1900 Faulkner, F. N. P.	Selbyville, Del. 2

1891 Gardner, Edwin E.	Cheswold, Del.	3
1891 Geoghegan, J. H. E.	Cherry Hill, Md.	2
1895 Givan, D. J. D.	Gumboro, Del.	2
1884 Given, T. N. E.	Burrsville, Md.	2
1889 Graham, J. E. E.	Wyoming, Del.	5
1888 Gray, J. W. E.	Chincoteague, Va.	1
1890 Green, Aloycius E.	Greensboro, Md.	4
1900 Greenfield, W. E. D.	Elk Neck, Md.	2
1873 Greene, W. M. Sy.	Camden, Del.	
1879 Grise, C. A. E.	Wilmington, Del.	2
1883 Guthrie, W. B. E.	Rock Hall, Md.	2
1900 Gallagher, J. E. P.	Georgetown, Del.	2
1851 Hammersley, J. W. Sd.	Baltimore, Md.	
1882 Hammitt, C. J. Sd.	Kinsey, Ala.	
1874 Hanna, J. D. C. E.	Wilmington, Del.	2
1883 Hardesty, G. L. E.	Smyrna, Del.	1
1871 Harding, T. H. E.	Stanton, Del.	3
1890 Harris, F. P. E.	Wilmington, Del.	4
1896 Hastings, C. E. E.	Madison, N. J.	
1900 Hastings, G. W. P.	Stockton, Md.	2
1843 Haynes, T. H. Sy.	Smyrna, Del.	
1878 Hill, C. A. E.	Smyrna, Del.	3
1889 Hills, V. E. E.	Lincoln, Del.	2
1897 Holt, T. S. E.	Lewisville, Pa.	4
1885 Hopkins, G. F. E.	Wilmington, Del.	1
1869 Hunter, T. B. E.	Red Lion, Del.	1
1892 Hurst, W. O. E.	Odessa, Del.	4
1884 Jaggard, Wilmer E.	Albuquerque, N. M.	2
1899 Johnson, J. L. P.	Galestown, Md.	3
1891 Jones, G. P. E.	Townsend, Del.	2
1898 Jones, J. W. D.	Wilmington, Del.	2
1898 Jones, O. E. D.	Middletown, Conn.	
1900 Jones, C. N. P.	Leipsic, Del.	1
Karholsen, L. P. E.	Wilmington, Del.	1
1872 Kemp, J. D. E.	Felton, Del.	1
1886 Koons, W. G. E.	Bridgeville, Del.	4
1898 Kelso, H. B. E.	Elliotts Island, Md.	2
King, W. W. E.	Wilmington, Del.	1
1871 Layfield, L. W. E.	Camden, Del.	1
1879 Lindale, J. M. E.	Federalsburg, Md.	2
1876 Macnichol, E. C. E.	Cambridge, Md.	3
Martin, O. L. E.	Westover, Md.	1
1864 Martindale, T. E. E.	Salisbury, Md.	3

1868 McFarlane, W. R. E.	Christiana, Del.	2
1884 McFaul, D. F., E.	Parsonsburg, Md.	1
1892 McKinsey, F. E. E.	Royal Oak, Md.	2
1873 McSorley, F. C. E.	Pocomoke City, Md.	2
1853 Merritt, J. B. Sy.	Fairlee, Md.	
1869 Miller, E. H. E.	Sharptown, Md.	2
1885 Mitchell, J. M. E.	Ellendale, Del.	2
1887 Morgan, S. M. E.	Snow Hill, Md.	4
1858 Morris, S. J. Sy.		
1883 Mowbray, A. S. E.	Port Deposit, Md.	2
1886 Mowbray, W. R. E.	Zion, Md.	3
1872 Murray, W. L. S. E.	Wilmington, Del.	5
1898 Moore, F. X. D.	Newark, Md.	2
1879 Neese, G. R. E.	Chance, Md.	2
1880 Nelson, E. H. E.	Girdletree, Md.	1
1892 Northrup, V. P. E.	Wilmington, Del.	4
1876 O'Brien, T. A. H. E.	Hillsboro, Md.	2
1872 Otis, J. P. E.	Wilmington, Del.	2
1893 Outten, J. P. E.	Nassau, Del.	2
1853 Phoebus, G. A. Sd.	134 Second Place, Brooklyn	
1881 Pilchard, S. N. E.	Fort Bayard, N. M.	
1870 Poole, J. W. Sy.	Farmington, Del.	
1896 Poole, L. E. E.	Chesapeake City, Md.	2
1900 Poole, W. C. P.	Queenstown, Md.	2
1882 Prettyman, A. P. E.	Galena, Md.	3
1868 Prettyman, C. W. E.	Salisbury, Md.	5
1897 Prettyman, J. W. D.	Church Creek, Md.	2
1836 Price, B. F. Sd.	Elkton, Md.	
1886 Prouse, J. T. E.	Charlestown, Md.	1
1869 Rawlins, P. H. Sy.	Seaford, Del.	
1858 Redman, W. W. Sy.	Greenwood, Del.	
1885 Reese, J. D. E.	Widgeon, Md.	2
1893 Richardson, J. T. E.	Church Hill, Md.	2
1867 Rigg, J. D. Sy.	Chester, Pa.	
1884 Roberts, E. P. E.	Still Pond, Md.	3
1873 Roe, Robert E.	Sudlersville, Md.	2
1858 Scott, A. T. Sy.	Wilmington, Del.	
1880 Senser, G. G. E.	Crisfield, Md.	2
1891 Sidell, E. R. E.	Marydel, Md.	2
1886 Sharp, W. W. E.	Delmar, Del.	2
1859 Sheppard, C. F. E.	St. George's, Del.	1
1889 Shipman, S. P. E.	Kent Island, Md.	3
1891 Short, F. B. E.	Wilmington, Del.	4

1879	Smith Alfred	E.	Dover, Del.	4
1896	Smith, G. P.	E.	Houston, Del.	3
1889	Smoot, T. C.	E.	Nanticoke, Md.	1
1870	Stengle, Adam	E.	Georgetown, Del.	3
1878	Stephenson, R. K.	E.	Seaford, Del.	5
1892	Strickland, C. W.	E.	Quantico, Md.	1
1883	Sunfield, E. C.	E.	Chestertown, Md.	2
1888	Swain, C. P.	E.	Deal's Island, Md.	1
1860	Sypherd, J. O.	Sy.	Wilmington, Del.	
1886	Tabler, T. F.	E.	Trappe, Md.	2
1897	Talley, J. W.	D.	Bozman, Md.	3
1857	Talbot, W. F.	Sd.	Dover, Del.	
1889	Taylor, W. P.	E.	Cornersville, Md.	2
1897	Taylor, Harry	D.	Williamsburg, Md.	2
1876	Terry, T. E.	E.	Elkton, Md.	2
1858	Thompson, H. S.	E.	Deleware City, Del.	5
1888	Todd, J. R.	Sy.	Washington, D. C.	
1853	Todd, R. W.	E.	Laurel, Del.	2
1871	Tomkinson, W. E.	Sd.	Carlisle, Pa.	
1876	Townsend, G. W.	E.	Northeast, Md.	2
1891	Turner, H. C.	E.	Laurel, Del.	1
1859	Van Burkalow, J. T.	E.	Vienna, Md.	2
1895	Van Dyke, T. R.	E.	Cape Charles, Va.	2
1874	Waddell, D. F.	E.	Millsboro, Del.	1
1871	Wallin, F. O. B.	Sd.		
1879	Walton, O. S.	E.	Preston, Md.	3
1853	Warner, W. M.	Sd.	Millington, Md.	
1886	Watkins, R. I.	E.	New Castle, Del.	3
1885	Watt, Robt.	E.	Wilmington, Del.	3
1887	Webster, Zack H.	E.	Frederica, Del.	2
1893	Westerfield, H. A. G.	E.	Rising Sun, Md.	2
1866	White, E. E.	E.	Wilmington, Del.	5
1893	White, W. L.	E.	Lewes, Del.	3
1868	Wickline, J. S.	E.	Denton, Md.	2
1872	Wilcox, G. W.	Sy.	Salisbury, Md.	
1882	Williams, C. H.	E.	Greenwood, Del.	3
1892	Williams, W. S. H.	E.	Crapo, Md.	1
1885	Willis, D. H.	E.	Pocomoke City, Md.	1
	Wiley, A. C.	E.	Colora, Md.	1
1887	Wilson, J. H.	E.	Georgetown, Del.	2
1884	Wise, W. A.	E.	Harrington, Del.	2
1886	Wood, G. E.	E.	Magnolia, Del.	1
1880	Woodall, G. W.	E.	Princess Anne, Md.	1
1898	Wright, E. C.	D.	Ingleside, Md.	1
1899	Wright, W. E.	P.	Parksley, Va.	1
1886	Wyatt, C. T.	E.	Crisfield, Md.	2

Appointments.

[These appointments are all in the State of Maryland, except as otherwise indicated.]

Dover District.

C. S. BAKER, Presiding Elder (P. O., Dover, Del.).

Beckwith (P.O., Cornersville), W. P. Taylor
 Bridgeville, Del., W. G. Koons
 Burrsville, T. N. Given
 Cambridge, E. C. Macnichol
 Camden, Del., L. W. Layfield
 Cannon (P.O., Seaford, Del.), J. W. Fogle
 Canterbury, Del., Sup.—A. C. Jones
 Church Creek, J. W. Prettyman
 Crapo, W. S. H. Williams
 Denton, J. S. Wickline
 Dover, Del. :
 Wesley, Alfred Smith
 Armory, Sup.—Frederick Spencer
 East New Market, Sup.—C. W. Smith
 Ellendale, Del., J. M. Mitchell
 Elliott's Island, H. B. Kelso
 Farmington, Del., I. G. Fosnacht
 Federalsburg, J. M. Lindale
 Felton, Del., J. D. Kemp
 Frederica, Del., Z. H. Webster
 Galestown, J. L. Johnson
 Georgetown, Del., Adam Stengle
 Georgetown Circuit, Del., J. H. Wilson
 Greenwood, Del., C. H. Williams

Vaughan S. Collins, Principal Wilmington Conference Academy, member of Wesley, Dover, Quarterly Conference.

C. E. Hastings, Armory, Dover, Quarterly Conference, left without appointment to attend one of our schools.

Easton District.

W. F. CORKRAN, Presiding Elder (P. O., Smyrna, Del.).

Bayside (P. O. Wittman), A. H. Covey
 Cecilton, J. A. Arters
 Centreville, E. C. Atkins
 Chestertown, E. C. Sunfield

Harrington, Del., W. A. Wise
 Hooper's Island, Sup.—T. S. Barrett
 Houston, Del., G. P. Smith
 Hurlock, Albert Chandler
 Lakesville, (P. O. Golden Hill, Md.),
 Sup.—J. A. Buckson
 Leipsic, Del., C. N. Jones
 Lewes, Del., W. L. White
 Lincoln, Del., V. E. Hills
 Little Creek, Del., N. C. Benson
 Magnolia, Del., G. E. Wood
 Milford, Del., L. E. Barrett
 Milton, Del., W. J. DuHadway
 Nassau, Del., J. P. Outten
 Preston, O. S. Walton
 Salem, Sup.—C. K. Morris
 Seaford, Del., R. K. Stephenson
 Vienna J. T. VanBurkalow
 Williamsburg Harry Taylor
 Williston T. F. Beauchamp
 Wyoming, Del., J. E. Graham
 Zoar, (P. O. Georgetown, Del.)
 J. E. Gallagher

Cheswold (Del.) and Bethel, Edwin Gardner
 Church Hill, J. T. Richardson
 Clayton, Del., O. W. De Venish
 Cordova, J. A. Brewington

Crumpton, F. E. Bloxton
 Easton R. H. Adams
 Fairlee J. M. Arters
 Galena A. P. Prettyman
 Golts Sup.—Daniel Wilson
 Greensboro Aloycius Green
 Hillsboro, T. A. H. O'Brien
 Ingleside, E. C. Wright
 Kent Island, S. P. Shipman
 Kenton, Del., G. R. Ellis
 Marydel E. R. Sidell
 Middletown, Del., E. W. Caswell
 Millington, H. S. Dulaney
 Odessa, Del. W. O. Hurst
 Oxford, T. B. Cooper
 Piney Neck (P. O. Rock Hall),
 Sup.—H. E. Truitt

Salisbury District.

T. E. MARTINDALE, Presiding Elder, P. O. Salisbury.)

Annessex (P. O. Crisfield),
 Sup.—G. C. Williams
 Asbury (P. O. Crisfield), . . . G. G. Senser
 Berlin, H. G. Budd
 Bethel, Del., J. M. Collins
 Bishopville, Sup.—W. R. Hiron
 Cape Charles, Va., T. R. VanDyke
 Chincoteague, Va., J. W. Gray
 Crisfield, C. T. Wyatt
 Deal's Island C. P. Swain
 Delmar, Del., W. W. Sharp
 Fairmount, L. P. Corkran
 Frankford, Del., F. F. Carpenter
 Fruitland, W. O. Bennett
 Girdletree, E. H. Nelson
 Gumboro, Del., D. J. Givan
 Holland's Is., Sup.—Baynard Wheatley
 Laurel, Del., H. C. Turner
 Mardela Springs, Sup.—W. F. Atkinson
 Marion Sup.—W. E. Matthews
 Millsboro, Del., D. F. Waddell
 Mt. Pleasant, Del., R. W. Todd
 Mt. Vernon (P. O. Widgeon), J. D. Reese

Pomona, J. R. Cannon
 Queenstown, W. C. Poole
 Rock Hall, W. B. Guthrie
 Royal Oak, F. E. McKinsey
 St. Michael's, J. H. Beauchamp
 Smyrna, Del., C. A. Hill
 Smyrna Circuit, Del., . . . G. L. Hardesty
 Still Pond, E. P. Roberts
 Sudlersville, Robert Roe
 Talbot (P. O., Bozman), . . . J. W. Talley
 Tilghman's Island, W. W. Chaires
 Townsend, Del., G. P. Jones
 Trappe, T. F. Tabler
 Tunis' Mills, Howard Davis
 Wye and Starr (P. O., Wye Mills),
 Sup.—W. H. Kenney

Nanticoke, T. C. Smoot
 Newark, F. X. Moore
 Onancock, Va., G. T. Alderson
 Parksley, Va., W. E. Wright
 Parsonsburg, D. F. McFaul
 Pocomoke City, F. C. MacSorley
 Pocomoke Circuit, D. H. Willis
 Powellville, J. F. Anderson
 Princess Anne, G. W. Woodall
 Quantico, C. W. Strickland
 Roxana, Del., F. J. Cochran
 St. Peter's (P. O., Oriole), . . . Asbury Burke
 Salisbury, C. W. Prettyman
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 Sharptown, E. H. Miller
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 Somerset (P. O., Chance) . . . G. R. Neese
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 Tangier, Va., G. W. Bounds
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Pastoral Record.

Note.—Sy., Supernumerary. Sd., Superannuated.

- Adams, R. H.** 1872, Denton; 73-4, Church Hill; 75-7, Trappe; 78-80, St. Michael's; 81-2, Millington; 83-5, St. Paul's; 86-9, Middletown; 90-1, Easton; 92-7, P. E. Dover Dist.; 98-0 Easton.
- Alderson, G. T.** 1888-9, Queenstown; 90-2, Bishopville; 93-4, Federalsburg; 95-9 Princess Anne; 00, Onancock.
- Anderson, J. F.** 1888-9, Westover; 90, Parsonsburg; 91, Parksley; 92, Crumpton; 93-4, Pomona; 95-7 Talbot; 98, Woodlawn; 99, Marion; 00, Powellville.
- Arters, J. A.** 1870-1, Gumboro; 72-4, Roxanna; 75-6, Berlin; 77-8, Deal's Island; 79-80, Annapessex; 81-2, Stockton; 83-4, Kent Island; 85-6, Centreville; 87-91, Church Hill; 92-6, Greensboro; 97-0, Cecilton.
- Arters, J. M.** 1899-0, Fairlee.
- Atkins, E. C.** 1877, E. N. Market; 78, Federalsburg; 79, Camden; 80-1, Galestown; 82-3, Leipsic; 84-5, Bethel and Glasgow; 86-9, Cecilton; 90-1, Madeley; 92-4, Onancock; 95-7 Berlin; 98-0, Centreville.
- Avery, W. E.** 1877, Snow Hill; 78-80, Rockland; 81-2, Elkton; 83-5, Crisfield; 86-7, Fairmount; 88-91, Mt. Salem; 92-5, Easton; 96, Dover; 97, Salisbury District; 98, Perryville; 99, Newport; 00, Harrison St.
- Baker, C. S.** 1881-2, Pocomoke Circuit; 83-5, Tangier; 86-9, Delmar; 90, Deal's Island; 91-5, Asbury, Md.; 96-7, Fairmount; 98-0, Dover Dist.
- Barrett, L. E.** 1876-7, Epworth; 78-9, Red Lion; 80-1, Onancock; 82-4, Still Pond; 85-7, Port Deposit; 88-91, St. Paul's; 92-7, P. E. Wilmington Dist.; 98-0, Milford.
- Beauchamp, T. F.** 1892-3, Selbyville; 94-6, Smith's Is.; 97-8, Mt. Vernon; 99-00, Williston.
- Beauchamp, J. H.** 1894, Pocomoke Ct.; 95-6, Chincoteague; 97-8, Agt. Conf. Academy; 99-0, St. Michael's.
- Bennett, W. O.** 97-8, Queenstown; 99, Annapessex; 00, Fruitland.
- Benson, N. C.** 1900, Little Creek.
- Bloxton, F. E.** 1898, Bishopville; 99-0, Crumpton.
- Bounds, G. W.** 1890, Taylor's Island; 91, Church Creek; 92, Dover; 93-5, Cape Charles; 96-9, Deals Island; 00, Tangier Island.
- Bowen, W. L. P.** 1876-7, Sharptown; 78-80, Fruitland; 81-3, Bethel; 84-5, Parsonsburg; 86-8, Smith's Is.; 89, Potter's Ldg; 90, Ellendale; 91, Cannon; 92, Newark, Md.; 93-0, Sy.
- Bowman, G. W.** 1885, Burrsville; 86-7, Beckwith; 88-9, Parsonsburg; 90-1, Mt. Vernon; 92, Bethel and Summit; 93, Wyoming; 94-5, Vienna; 96, Crapo; 97, E. N. Market; 98, Gumboro; 99-0, Woodlawn.
- Brewington, J. A.** 1890, Read's Whf.; 91-2, Gumboro; 93, Vienna; 94, Conf. Acad; 95, Hurlock; 96, Georgetown, Ct.; 97-8, Lincoln; 99, Millsboro; 00, Cordova.
- Burke, Asbury.** 1886, Elk Neck; 87-8, Bethel and Summit; 89-90, Crapo; 91-3, E. N. Market; 94-7, Brandywine; 98-9, Onancock; 00, St. Peter's.
- Burke, G. W.** 1865, Georgetown; 66-7, Frankford; 68, Milton; 69-70, Lewes; 71-2, Beckwith; 73-4, Berlin; 75, Delmar; 76-7, Christiana; 78-9, Kent Is.; 80-1, Marydel; 82-3, Hillsboro; 84-5, Harrington; 86-8, Federalsburg; 89-91, Onancock; 92, Lincoln; 93-5, Millington; 96-8, St. Michael's; 99-0, Chester.
- Burr, Warren.** 1888-9, Girdle Tree; 90-4, St. Peter's; 95, Kingswood; 96-8, Cape Charles; 99-0, Sy.
- Budd, H. G.** 1894-7, Perryville; 98-0, Berlin.

- Cantwell, E. N.** 1899-0, Hockessin.
- Cannon, J. R.** Blue Ridge Conf.; 99-0, Pomona.
- Carpenter, F. F.** 1888-9, Bishopville; 90, Cape Charles; 91, Little Creek; 92, Leipsic; 93-4, Townsend; 95-8, Hillsboro; 99-0, Frankford.
- Carroll, James.** 1865, Guthrieville; 66-7, Laurel; 68-9, Princess Anne; 70-1, Onancock; 72, Berlin; 73-5, Bridgeville; 76-7, Appoquinimink; 78-9, Galestown; 80-1, Nassau; 82-3, Beckwith; 84-5, Leipsic; 86-7, Greenwood; 88-90, Houston; 91-3, Millsboro; 94-5, Quantico; 96, Rock Hall; 97, Crumpton; 98, Royal Oak; 99-0 Sy.
- Caswell, E. W.** N. E. Southern Conf.; 99-0, Middletown.
- Chaires, W. W.** 1888, Shortley; 89-90, Somerset; 91, Smith's Is.; 92-3, Crapo; 94, Williston; 95, Sy.; 96, Crumpton; 97-0, Tilghman.
- Chandler, Albert.** 1876, Hillsboro; 77, Sudlersville; 78, Woodlandtown; 79-81, Parsonsburg; 82, Annapessex; 83, Sy.; 84-5, Delmar; 86-7, Sy.; 88-9, Ingleside; 90-1, Kenton; 92-4, Marydel; 95-8, Townsend; 99-0, Hurlock.
- Cochran, F. J.** 1881-2, Chesapeake City; 83-4, St. George's; 85-7, Farmington; 88, Gumboro; 89-90, Trappe; 91-3, Nanticoke; 94-6, Farmington; 97-8, Williston; 99-0, Roxana.
- Collins, E. H.** 1895, Claymont; 96-7 Stanton, 98-9, St. Georges; 00, Whitesville.
- Collins, J. M.** 1876, Sudlersville; 77, Denton; 78, Royal Oak; 97, Kent; 80, Appoquinimink; 81, Westover; 82-3, Worcester; 84, Ellendale; 85-6, Lincoln; 87, Church Creek; 88-90, Elliott's Is.; 91-2, Talbot; 93-4, Kenton; 95-7, Ingleside; 98, Hollands Is.; 99-0, Bethel.
- Collins, V. S.** 1883, Dover and Cambridge; 84-5, Vienna; 86-7, Felton; 88-90, Scott; 91-3, Centreville; 94-6, New Castle; 97, Georgetown; 98-0, Principal Conf. Academy.
- Compton, W. P.** 1888-90, Princess Anne; 91, Greenwood; 92-3, Bridgeville; 94-6, Chestertown; 97-8, Port Deposit; 99-0, Newark, Del.
- Conaway, G. S.** 1862, Berlin; 63, Newtown; 64, Halifax, Pa.; 65-6, Birdsboro, P.; 67, Nesquehoning; 68, Gumboro; 69, Harrington; 70, Sharptown; 71, Delmar; 72-3, Wyoming; 74-5, Gumboro; 76-7, Beckwith; 78-9, Lincoln; 80-2, Elk Neck; 83-5, Rock Hall; 86-8, Appoquinimink; 89-91, Marydel; 92-3, Trappe; 94-6, Christiana; 97, Mt. Lebanon; 98-0, Bethel.
- Cooper, T. B.** 1892, Salem; 93-4, Hurlock; 95-7, Pomona; 98-0, Oxford.
- Corkran, L. P.** 1881, Sudlersville; 82-3, King's Creek; 84, Queenstown; 85-6, Oxford; 87-8, Preston; 89-90, Greenwood; 91, Lincoln; 92-3, Delmar; 94-6, Marion; 97, N. East; 98-0, Fairmount.
- Corkran, W. F.** 1876, Millsboro; 77, Harrington; 78-9, Barret's Chapel; 80, Leipsic; 81-2, Magnolia; 83-5, Gumboro; 86-90, Asbury, Md.; 91-6, P. E. Salisbury Dist.; 97-0, Easton Dist.
- Coursey, R. T.** 1887-8, Hurlock; 89-90, Cannon; 91-2, Harrington; 93-6, Snow Hill; 97-9, Harrison St.; 00, Newport.
- Covey, A. H.** 1899-9, Madison, N. J.; 00, Bayside.
- Crowe, James.** 1894-98, Central New York Cof.; 98-0, Asbury, Wil.
- Dashiell, E. H.** 1899-0, Rockland.
- Davis Edward.** 1869, Church Creek; 70-2, Trappe; 73-4, Sudlersville; 75-6, Smyrna Ct.; 77-8, Church Hill; 79, Christiana; 80-1, Epworth; 82-3, Newark, Md.; 84, Lincoln; 85-6, Bridgeville ct; 87-8, Nassau; 89-90, Quantico; 91-93, Bethel; 94-5, Rock Hall; 96, Newark; 97-00, Sd.
- Davis, Howard.** 1900, Tunis Mills.
- Dawson, G. W.** 1899-0, Perryville.
- Dawson, W. F.** 1884-5, Houston; 86-7, Vienna; 88-9, Millsboro; 90-2, Beckwith; 93-5, Magnolia; 96, Mt. Vernon; 97, Whitesville; 98, Chester; 99-0, Wesley.
- Derrickson, E. H.** 1884-5, Pocomoke Ct.; 86-7, Newark, Md.; 88-9, Sharptown; 90-2, Girdle Tree; 93-5, Mt. Vernon; 96-7, Magnolia; 98-0, Mt. Pleasant.
- DeVenish, O. W.** 1893, Royal Oak; 94, Burrsville; 95-6, Red Lion and Glasgow; 97, Selbyville; 98-0, Clayton.
- DuHadway, W. J.** 1871, Sudlersville; 72-3, Lakesville; 74, Ch. Creek; 75-6, Hillsboro; 77-9, Onancock; 80-1, Crisfield; 82-4, Frankford; 85-7, Georgetown; 88-90, Seaford; 91-5, Newark, Del.; 96-7, Cambridge; 98-0, Milton.
- Dulany, H. S.** 1886-7, Holland's Is.; 88-90, Parkley; 91-4, Kingswood; 95-7, Onancock; 98-9, Whitesville; 00, Millington.

- Easley, J. W.** 1885-6, Girdle Tree; 87-8, Onancock; 89-91, Federalsburg; 92-3, Chestertown; 94-7, Centreville; 98-0, Brandywine.
- Ellis, G. R.** 1898, Worton; 99-0, Kenton.
- Esgate, Jav.** 1866, Bridgeville; 67, Annapessex; 68, Bethesda; 69, Quantico; 70, Chesapeake City; 71-85, Sy.; 86-00, Sd.
- Faulkner, F. N.** 1899-0, Selbyville.
- Fogle, J. W.** 1889, Burrsville; 90-2, Queenstown; 93-94, Oxford; 95-7, Cheswold; 98-0, Cannon.
- Fosnocht, Isaac G.** 1868, Sudlersville; 69, Denton; 70, Kent; 71-2, Queenstown; 73, Frederica; 74, Crisfield; 75-6, Quantico; 77-8, Snow Hill; 79-80, Church Hill; 81, Hillsboro'; 82-4, Onancock; 85-6, Pocomoke City; 87-9, Galena; 90-2, Chesapeake City; 93-6, Camden; 97-0, Farmington.
- France, John.** 1856, St. Georges; 57, Brandywine, Pa.; 58, Oxford, Pa.; 59, Brandywine, Wil.; 60, New London; 62-3, Croziersville, Pa.; 64, Siloam, Pa.; 65-7, Brandywine; 68-70, Newark, Del.; 71-2, Millington; 73-4, Mt. Salem; 75-7, Cherry Hill; 78, St. Georges; 79-81, Newark, Del.; 82-4, Zion; 85, Smyrna Ct.; 86-90, P. E. Easton Dist.; 91-3, Scott; 94-5, Eastlake; 96-8, Cookman; 99-0 Sy.
- Gallagher, J. E.** 1900, Georgetown Ct.
- Gardner, Edwin.** 1891-3, Elk Neck; 94-5, Marshallton; 96-7, Royal Oak; 98-0, Cheswold.
- Geoghegan, J. H.** 1891, Cordova; 92, Wye; 93, Armory; 94-5, Hopewell; 96-8, Church Hill; 99-0, Cherry Hill.
- Given, Thos. N.** 1884-7, Va. Conf.; 88-9, Mt. Lebanon; 90, Stanton; 91, Somerset; 92-3, Fruitland; 94-5, Millsboro'; 96, Sharptown; 97, Newark, Md.; 98, Church Creek; 99-0, Burrsville.
- Graham, J. E.** 1889, New Church; 90, Pocomoke Ct.; 91, Powellville; 92-3, Burrsville, 94-5, Galestown; 96-0, Wyoming.
- Gray, J. W.** 1888, Pocomoke Ct.; 89, Powellville; 90-1, Fruitland; 92-3, Smith's Is.; 94, Somerset; 95-6, Roxanna; 97-9, Crapo; 00, Chincoteague.
- Green, A.** 1890-1, Wyoming; 92-4, Greenwood; 95-6, Whitesville; 97-0, Greensboro.
- Greene, W. M.** 1873, Millsboro'; 74, Camden; 75, Bridgeville; 76, Felton; 77-8, Church Creek; 79-80, Bethel; 81-2, Kent; 83-4, Christiana; 85-6, Galestown; 87, Wyoming; 88-9, Beckwith; 90-1, Williston; 92-3, Farmington; 94, Nassau; 95-0, Sy.
- Greenfield, W. E.** 1899-0, Elk Neck.
- Grise, C. A.** 1879, Harrington; 80, Annapessex; 81, Smith's Is.; 82-4, Berlin; 85-6, Onancock; 87-91, Brandywine; 92-6, Georgetown; 97-8, Chestertown; 99-0, Union.
- Guthrie, W. B.** 1883, Pocomoke Ct.; 84-5, Westover; 86-7, Fruitland; 88-90, Holland's Is.; 90-2, Houston; 93-4, Gumboro; 95-8, Somerset; 99-0, Rock Hall.
- Givan, D. J.** 1895-7, Parksley, Va.; 98, Chance; 99-0, Gumboro.
- Hammersley, J. W.** 1851, Laurel; 52, Princess Anne; 53, Salisbury; 54, Snow Hill; 55, Annapessex; 56-7, Northampton; 58-9, Berlin; 60-1, Quantico; 62-3, Lewes; 64, Tremont, Pa.; 65-6, Camden; 67, Hillsboro; 68-70, Denton; 71-2, Cecilton; 73-4, Millington; 75-7, Kent Is.; 78-9, Georgetown; 80, Chesapeake City; 81-3, Charles-town; 84-6, Mt. Pleasant; 87-8, Chester; 89-90, Ch. Creek; 91-00, Sy.
- Hammitt, C. J.** 1882-87, Alabama Conf.; 88-9, Mt. Vernon; 90-1, Sy.; 92-00, Sd.
- Hanna, J. D. C.** 1874-80, M. E. Ch. South; 81, Pocomoke City; 82-3, Salisbury; 84-6, Deal's Is.; 87-8, Newport; 89-93, Asbury (Wil.); 95-8, Union; 99-0, Agt. 20 C. Thank Offering.
- Hardesty, G. L.** 1883-4, Woodlandtown; 85-7, Magnolia; 88, Tangier; 89-90, Galestown; 91-2, St. Georges; 93-4, Roxanna; 95-9, St. Peter's; 00, Smyrna Ct.
- Harding, T. H.** 1871, Denton; 72, Hillsboro; 73-4, Queenstown; 75, Ch. Creek; 76-7, Galestown; 78-9, Sharptown; 80-2, Gumboro; 83-4, Quantico; 85-7, Mt. Vernon; 88-9, Newark; 90, Stockton; 91-2, Ingleside; 93-6, Charlestown; 97, St. George's; 98-0, Stanton.
- Harris, F. P.** 1890-6, Minnesota Conf.; 1897-0, Scott.
- Hastings, C. E.** 1896, Westover; 97, Armory; 98-0, Madison.
- Hastings, G. W.** 1899-0, Stockton.
- Haynes, T. H.** 1843-71, M. E. Ch. South and Va. Conf.; 1872-4, E. N. Market; 75-7, Milford; 78-80, Smyrna; 81-2, Chestertown; 83-5, Newark, Del.; 86-7, Frederica; 88-90, Sudlersville; 91-2, Felton; 93, Lincoln; 94-00, Sy.

- Hill, C. A.** 1878, Bridgeville. 79, Princess Anne; 80-1, King's Creek; 82, Sassafras; 83, Epworth; 84-86, Cherry Hill; 87-90, Centreville; 91-5, Salisbury; 96-7, Easton; 98-0, Smyrna.
- Hills, V. E.** East Maine Conf.; 99-0, Lincoln.
- Holt, T. S.** 97-0, St. John's.
- Hopkins, G. F.** 1885-6, Hurlock; 87, Dorchester; 88-93, Missionary to India; 94-5, Williston; 96, Madeley; 97, Chincoteague; 98, Parksley; 99-0, Wilmington, Del.
- Hunter, T. B.** 1869, St. Michael's; 70-1, Mt. Lebanon; 72-3, Brandywine; 74-6, St. Georges; 77, Chester; 78-80, Cherry Hill; 81, Roxana; 82-4, Del. City; 85-6, Chester; 87-9, Charlestown; 90-92, Cherry Hill; 93-5, Bethel; 96, Sy.; 97, Westover; 98, Hockessin; 99, Colora; 00, Red Lion.
- Hurst, W. O.** 1892, Cape Charles; 93, Queenstown; 94-6, Clayton; 97-0, Odessa.
- Jagard, Wilmer.** 1884, Shortley; 85-6, Ellendale; 87-8, Galestown; 89-90, Smith's Island; 91, Bethel; 92, Berlin; 93-4, Chesapeake City; 95, Silverbrook; 96-7, Bethel; 98, Mt. Pleasant; 99-0, Albuquerque, N. M.
- Johnson, J. L.** 1898-0, Galestown.
- Jones, C. N.** 1900, Leipsic.
- Jones, G. P.** 1891-3, Chincoteague; 94, Selbyville; 95-8, Cherry Hill; 99-0, Townsend.
- Jones, O. E.** 1898-9, Ingleside; 00, Middletown, Conn.
- Jones, J. W.** 1898, Annapessex; 99-0, Cookman.
- Karholzen, L. P.** Cent. N. Y. Conf. 1900, Kingswood.
- Kelso, H. B.** 1898-0, Elliott's Is.
- Kemp, J. D.** 1872-3, Charlestown; 74-6, Rising Sun; 77-9, Chesapeake City; 80-2, Rising Sun; 83-4, Lewes; 85-7, Chestertown; 88-90, Georgetown; 91-4, Still Pond; 95, Sy.; 96-7, Hopewell; 98-9, Magnolia; 00, Felton.
- King, W. W.** St. Louis Conf. 1900, Grace.
- Koons, W. G.** 1886, Westover; 87-91, Wesley; 92-4, North East; 95, Cookman; 96, Rising Sun; 97-0, Bridgeville.
- Layfield, L. W.** 1871, Princess Anne; 72, Claymont; 73-5, Elk Neck; 76-8, Charlestown; 79-81, Bethel; 82-4, Claymont; 85-7, St. George's; 88-90, E. N. Market; 91, Magnolia; 92-3, Zion; 94-6, Epworth; 97-9, Smyrna Ct.; 00, Camden.
- Lindale, J. M.** 1879, Bridgeville; 80, Denton; 81-2, Woodlandtown; 83-4, Fruitland; 85-7, Pomona; 88-91, Bayside and Tilghman; 92-4, Cordova; 95-8, Sudlersville; 99-0, Federalsburg.
- Maenichol, E. C.** 1876, Camden; 77, Barrett's Chapel; 78, Epworth; 79-80, Charlestown; 81, Millsboro; 82-4, Pomona; 85-7, Still Pond; 88-90, Felton; 91-2, Sudlersville; 93-7, Pocomoke City; 98-0, Cambridge.
- Martindale, T. E.** 1864, Easton; 65, Seaford; 66, Princess Anne; 67-8, Newtown; 69-70, Snow Hill; 71-3, Port Deposit; 74-76, Union; 77-79, Middletown; 80-83, P. E. Easton Dist.; 84-86, Dover; 87-90, Salisbury; 91-3, New Castle; 94-7, Milford; 98-0, Salisbury Dist.
- Marlin, O. T.** M. E. Church, South. 1900, Westover.
- McFarlane, W. R.** 1868, Greensboro; 69, Marydel; 70-2, Hillsboro; 73-4, Kent Island; 75-6, Church Hill; 77, Gumboro; 78-9, Marydel; 80-1, Princess Anne; 82-3, Deal's Island; 84, Stockton; 85-7, Roxanna; 88-90, Annapessex; 91, Trappe; 92, Magnolia; 93-4, Berlin; 95, Georgetown Ct.; 96, Galestown; 97-8, Sharptown; 99-0, Christiana.
- McSorley, F. C.** 1873-4, Bridgeville; 75, Dorchester ct; 76, Royal Oak; 77, Kent; 78-80, Hillsboro'; 81-2, Trappe; 83, Harrington; 84-6, Laurel; 87-9, Crisfield; 90-2, Lewes; 93-5, Cambridge; 96-8, Newark; 99-0, Pocomoke City.
- McFaul, D. F.** 1884, Millsboro'; 85, Fruitland; 86, Leipsic; 87-8, Crapo; 89-90, Elk Neck; 91, Pocomoke Ct.; 92-3, Somerset; 94-6, Bethel; 97-8, Roxana; 99, Smith's Is.; 00, Parsonsburg.
- McKinsey, F. E.** 1892, Massey; 93-4, Bayside; 95, Exmore; 96, Little Creek; 97-8, Elliott's Is.; 99-0, Royal Oak.
- Merritt, James B.** 1853, Centreville; 54, Talbot; 55-6, Frederica; 57-8, Middletown; 59-60, Dorchester; 61, Seaford; 62, Cambridge; 63-4, Easton; 65, Camden; 66-8, Centreville; 69-70, Chestertown; 71-2, Dover; 73-5, St. Paul's; 76-8, Odessa; 79-81, Still Pond; 82-3, Cecilton; 84, Smyrna Ct.; 85-0, Sy.
- Miller, E. H.** 1869, Lewisville; 70, Smyrna Ct.; 71-2, Bridgeville; 73, Harrington; 74-5, Barrett's Chapel; 76-7, Queenstown; 78-9, King's Creek; 80, Kent; 81-2, Royal

- Oak; 83, Chincoteague; 84-86, Sharptown; 87-88, Elk Neck; 89, Chincoteague; 90-91, Newark, Md.; 92-94, Whitesville; 95-7, Greenwood; 98, Beckwith; 99-0, Sharptown.
- Mitchell, J. M.** 1885, Bridgeville; 86-87, Houston; 88-9, Vienna; 90, Woodside; 91-3, Quantico; 94-5, Parsonsburg; 96, Preston; 97-8, Cordova; 99-0, Ellendale.
- Moore, F. X.** 1898, Marion; 99-0, Newark, Md.
- Morgan, S. M.** 1887-89, Townsend; 90-1, Hillsboro; 92-6, Mt. Salem; 97-0, Snow Hill.
- Morris, S. J.** 1858-86, in other Conferences; 87, Tangier; 88, Harrington; 89 Greensboro; 90-93; St. Michael's, 94, Lewes; 95-6, Bridgeville; 97-8, Rising Sun; 99-0 Sy.
- Mowbray A. S.** 1883-4, Oxford; 85-6, Marydel; 87-90, Pocomoke City; 91-4, Newport; 95-8, Elkton; 99-0, Port Deposit.
- Mowbray, W. R.** 1886, Sassafras; 87-8, Royal Oak; 89-92, Pomona; 93-6, Smyrna Ct.; 97, Nanticoke; 98-0, Zion.
- Murray, W. L. S.** 1871, Gumboro; 72, Snow Hill; 73, Phoenix Station; 74, W. C.; Academy; 76-7, Cambridge; 78-9, North East; 80-2, Middletown; 83-5, Asbury; 86, St. Paul's; 87-91, P. E. Wil. Dist.; 92-5, Dover; 96-0, St. Paul's.
- Neese, G. R.** 1879-93, in M. E. Church, South; 94, Houston; 95-6, Nassau; 97, Gumboro; 8, Smith's Island; 99-0, Somerset.
- Nelson, E. H.** 1870, Annessex; 71, E. N. Market; 72-3, Kent; 74, Mt. Lebanon; 75-6, Chester; 77, St. Georges; 78-80, Frankford; 81-3, Federalsburg; 84-6, Newport; 87-9, Chesapeake City; 90-4, Galena; 95-7, Still Pond; 98-9, Nanticoke; 00, Girdle Tree.
- Northrup, Van P.** 1892-3, Quindocqua; 94, Bishopville; 95-6, St. John's; 97-0, Madeley.
- O'Brien, T. A. H.** 1876, Snow Hill; 77, Fruitland; 78, Princess Anne; 79-80, Chincoteague; 81-3, Madeley; 84-6, Chesapeake City; 87-9, Cherry Hill; 90-2, Cecilton; 93-5, Fairmount; 96-8, Frederica; 99-0, Hillsboro.
- Otis, J. P.** 1872-8, in Va. and other conferences; 78-9, Cambridge, 80-1, Centreville; 82-4, Odessa; 85-7, Elkton; 88-90, Port Deposit; 91, Bridgeville; 92-3, Brandywine; 94-5, St. Michael's; 96-8, Crisfield; 99-0, Mt. Salem.
- Outten, J. P.** 1893-4, Williamsburg; 95-6, E. N. Market; 97-8, Rock Hall; 99-0, Nassau.
- Phoebus, Geo. A.** 1853, Seaford; 54, Cambridge; 55, Salisbury; 56, Princess Anne; 57-8, Quantico; 59-61, Minnesota Conf.; 62, Prin. Union Acad., Snow Hill; 63-4, Snow Hill; 65-6, Princess Anne; 67-9, Odessa; 70-2, Easton; 73-4, Smyrna; 75-6, Elkton; 77-8, Newark; 79-81, Laurel; 82, St. Georges; 83-4, Sy.; 85-00, Sd.
- Pilchard, S. N.** 1881-82, Wyoming; 83-4, Magnolia; 85, Stockton; 86-8, Frankford; 89-90, Del. City; 91-5, Laurel; 96, Scott; 97-0, Chaplain U. S. Army.
- Poole, J. W.** 1870, Bridgeville; 71-2, Harrington; 73, Federalsburg; 74, Snow Hill; 75-6, Fruitland; 77-9, Holland's Island; 80, Woodlandtown; 81-2, Church Creek; 83-4, Farmington; 85-7, Queenstown; 88-00, Sy.
- Poole, L. E.** 1896, Queenstown; 97-8, Charlestown; 99-0, Chesapeake City.
- Poole, W. C.** 1899-0, Queenstown.
- Prettyman, A. P.** 1882-3, Millsboro; 84-5, Bayside; 86-8, Trappe; 89-91, Chester; 92-3, Del. City; 94-7, Zion; 98-0, Galena.
- Prettyman, C. W.** 1868, Millington; 69-70, Dickinson College; 71-2, Leipsic; 73-4, Appoquinimink; 75-6, Sudlersville; 77-9, Centreville; 80-2, Lewes; 83-5, Union; 86-7, Newark, Del.; 88-92, Fairmount; 93-5, Seaford; 96-0, Salisbury.
- Prettyman, J. W.** 97, Piney Neck; 98, Crumpton; 99-0, Church Creek.
- Price, B. F.** 1836, Denton; 37, Kent; 38, Centreville; 39, Dover; 40, Asbury, Phila.; 41-2, Middletown; 43-4, Millington; 45-6, Easton; 47-8, Centreville; 49-50, Dorchester; 51-2, Princess Anne; 53-4, Talbot; 55, Newark; 56, Sy.; 57-8, Delaware City; 59, Minersville; 60, Mauch Chunk, Pa.; 61-2, Norristown, Pa.; 63-4, Central, Phila.; 65-6, Easton; 67-8, Milford; 69-70, Elkton; 71-2, North East; 73-4, Cecilton; 75-6, Greensboro; 77-9, Delaware City; 80-2, Kent Island; 83, Queenstown; 84-6, Madeley; 87-91; Christiana; 92-3, Hopewell; 94-5, Stockton; 96-0, Sd.
- Prouse, J. T.** 1886, Quantico; 87, Ellendale; 88, Church Creek; 89-90, Nassau; 91, Annessex; 92, Mt. Vernon; 93-4, Talbot; 95-6, Kenton; 97, Trappe; 98-9, Red Lion; 00, Charlestown.
- Rawlins, P. H.** 1869-71, Berlin; 72-3, Annessex; 74-6, Snow Hill; 77-9, Smyrna Ct.; 80-1, Scott; 82-4, Georgetown; 85-7, E. N. Market; 88-92, Camden; 93-5, Harrington; 96-7, Agt. End. Fund; 99-0, Sy.
- Redman, W. W.** 1858, Smyrna Ct.; 59, Vernon, Del.; 60, Snow Hill; 61, Church Creek;

- 62, Worcester; 63-4, Frankford; 65-6, Quantico; 67, Milton; 68, Lincoln; 69, Bethel; 70-2, Church Hill; 73-5, Beckwith; 76-8, Millsboro; 79, Wyoming; 80-4, Sy.; 85-6, Woodlandtown; 87-8, Williston; 89, Fruitland; 90, Powellville; 91-0, Sd.
- Reese, J. D.** 1885, Chincoteague; 86-7, Bayside; 88, Pomona; 89-90, Royal Oak, 91-2, Appoquinimink; 93, Girdle Tree; 94, Crapo; 95-6, Williston; 97-8, Nassau; 99-0, Mt. Vernon.
- Rigg, J. D.** 1867, Cochranville; 68-70, Mt. Salem; 71-2, Zion; 73-5, Newport; 76-8, Port Deposit; 79-80, Newport; 81-3, Smyrna; 84, St. Michael's; 85-7, Sudlersville; 88-90, Still Pond; 91-0, Sy.
- Richardson, J. T.** East Maine Conf. 1899-0, Church Hill.
- Roberts, E. P.** 1884, Roxanna; 85, Bishopville; 86, Townsend; 87-90, Oxford; 91, Preston; 92-4, Milton; 95-6, Odessa; 97, Bethel; 98-0, Still Pond.
- Roe, Robert.** 1873, Hillsboro; 74, Talbot; 75, Sudersville; 76, Church Creek; 77-8, Lewisville; 79, Pocomoke City; 80-1, Berlin; 82-3, Sharptown; 84, Sy.; 85-7, Millsboro; 88-9, Ellendale; 90-3, Rock Hall; 94-6, Trappe; 97-8, Kenton; 99-0, Sudlersville.
- Scott, A. T.** 1858-9, Mt. Salem; 60-1, Crozierville; 62, North East; 63-4, Middletown; 65, Frederica; 66-71, Sy.; 72-80, Prof. W. F. College; 81-0, Sy.
- Senser, G. G.** 1880-97, New Jersey Conf.; 98, Pocomoke City; 99-0, Asbury, Md.
- Sharp, W. W.** 1886-7, Ingleside; 88-9, Kenton; 90-2, Kent Is.; 93-4, Hillsboro; 95-8, Wesley; 99-0, Delmar.
- Sheppard, C. F.** 1859-60, Atlantic, Va.; 61-2, Laurel; 63-4, Georgetown; 65, Sy.; 66-9, located in Balt. Conf.; 70-2, Greensboro; 73-4, Bethel; 75-6, Newark, Del.; 77-9, Mt. Salem; 80-2, North East; 83-4, Elkton; 85-6, Zion; 87-8, Del. City; 89-90, 00, St. Georges.
- Shipman, S. P.** 1889-96, Va. Conf. 97, Beckwith; 98-0, Kent Is.
- Short, F. B.** 1891, Rowlandville; 92-6, Harrison Street; 97-0, Epworth.
- Sidell, E. R.** 1891-7, West Wisconsin Conf.; 98, Federalsburg; 99-0, Marydel.
- Smith, Alfred.** 1879-80, E. N. Market; 81-2, Oxford; 83-5, Greensboro; 86-9, Cambridge; 90, Middletown; 91-6, P. E. Easton Dist.; 97-0, Dover.
- Smith, G. P.** 1896, Lakesville; 97, Ellendale; 98-0, Houston.
- Smoot, T. C.** 1889, Stanton; 90, Mt. Lebanon; 91, Berlin; 92, Sharptown; 93, Leipsic; 94-5, Wyoming; 96-7, Millington; 98-9, Felton; 00, Nanticoke.
- Stengle, Adam.** 1870-1, Chincoteague; 72, Gumboro; 73-4, Quantico; 75-6, E. N. Market; 77-9, Crisfield; 80-2, Union; 83-5, Middletown; 86-90, Union; 91-2, Port Deposit; 93-7, Smyrna; 98-0, Georgetown.
- Sunfield, E. C.** 1898, New Jersey Conf.; 99-0, Chestertown.
- Stephenson, R. K.** 1878, Snow Hill; 79, Annessex; 80, Barrett's Chapel; 81-2, Appoquinimink; 83-5, Trappe; 86-8, Millington; 89-92, Smyrna Ct.; 93-5, Crisfield; 96-0, Seaford.
- Strickland, C. W.** 1892, Little Creek; 93-4, Elliott's Island; 95, Pocomoke Ct.; 96-7, Parsonsburg; 98-9, Chincoteague; 00, Quantico.
- Swain, C. P.** 1888-90, Hooper's Island; 91, Crapo; 92-4, Frankford; 95-9, Tangier; 00, Deals Island.
- Sypherd, J. O.** 1860, Church Creek; 61, Snow Hill; 62, Harrington; 63, Hummels-town; 64, St. Paul's, Harrisburg; 65-7, Bensalem, Pa.; 68-70, Camden; 71-3, Centreville; 74-6, Scott; 77-8, Zion; 79-81, St. Georges; 82-4, Sudlersville; 85-6, St. Michael's; 87-90, Laurel; 91-2, Snow Hill; 93, Hockessin; 94, Mt. Lebanon; 95-6, St. Georges; 97-8, East Lake; 99-0 Sy.
- Tabler, T. F.** 1886-89, Cincinnati Conf.; 90-1, Burrsville; 92-3, Williston; 94-5, Girdle Tree; 96-8, Hurlock; 99-0, Trappe.
- Talbot, W. F.** 1857, Smyrna Ct.; 58, Salisbury; 59, Snow Hill; 60, Georgetown; 61-2, Frankford; 63-4, Quantico; 65, Federalsburg; 66-7, Sy.; 68, Vienna; 69-71, Annessex; 72-3, Accomack; 74-6, Harrington; 77-8, Camden; 79, Princess Anne, 80-81, Delaware City; 82-3, Westover; 84-0, Sy.
- Talley, J. W.** 97, Zoar; 98-0, Talbot Ct.
- Taylor, Harry.** 97, Little Creek; 98, Vienna; 99-0, Williamsburg.
- Taylor, W. P.** 1886-92, at School; 93, Perryville; 94, St. John's; 95-6, Mt. Lebanon; 97-8, Christiana; 99-0, Beckwith.
- Terry, T. E.** 1876-77, Leipsic; 78-9, Beckwith; 80-1, Seaford; 82-4, Centreville; 85-6, New Castle; 87-91, Dover; 92-5, St. Paul's; 96-8, Harrington; 99-0, Elkton.

- Thompson, H. S.** 1858, Centreville; 59, Bridesburg; 60-1, Nineteenth St., Phila.; 62, New London; 63-4, Cambridge; 65, Dorchester; 66-7, Frederica; 68-9, Still Pond; 70, St. Georges; 71-2, Elkton; 73-75, Providence Conf.; 76-78, Newport; 79-84, N. H. Conference; 85-6, Easton; 87-9, Lewes; 90, Denton; 91-2, Odessa; 93-5, Felton; 96-0, Del. City.
- Todd, J. R.** 1887-9, At school; 90-7, Professor in W. C. Academy; 98-0, Sy.
- Todd, R. W.** 1853, Dover; 54, Easton; 55, Denton; 56, Kent Island; 57-8, Camden; 59, St. Georges; 60, Cambridge; 61-9, Sy.; 70, Laurel; 71-2, St. Paul's; 73, Rehoboth; 74, Felton; 75-6, Easton; 77-8, Milton; 79-82, P. E., Dover Dist.; 83-4, North East; 85-7, Snow Hill; 88-9, Chestertown; 90-1, Greensboro; 92, Ed. Conf. Chronicle; 93-4, Princess Anne; 95-8, Agent Md. Bible Society; 99-0, Mt. Pleasant.
- Tomkinson, W. E.** 1871-82, N. Y. E. Conf.; 83, Chesapeake City; 84, Princess Anne; 85-6, Charlestown; 87-8, Sy.; 90, Claymont; 91-3, Mt. Pleasant; 94, E. N. Market; 95-6, Houston; 97-0, Sy.
- Townsend, G. W.** 1876, Claymont; 77-8, Asbury, Md.; 79-81, Salisbury; 82, Pocomoke City; 83-5, Galena; 86-9, Hillsboro; 90, Bridgeville; 90-3, Denton; 94-8, Delmar; 99-0, North East.
- Turner, H. C.** 1891-2, Oxford; 93, Clayton; 94-5, Frederica; 96-9, Girdle Tree; 00, Laurel.
- Van Burkalow, J. T.** 1859, Smyrna Ct.; 60 Greensboro; 61, Harrington; 62, Frankford; 63-5, Chap. U. S. Army; 66, Airey's; 67, Atlantic; 68-70, Salisbury; 71-3, Federalsburg; 74-5, Kent; 76-8, Bridgeville; 79-81, Sudlersville; 82-3, Smyrna Ct.; 84-5, Cecilton; 86, Bethel and Glasgow; 87, Zion; 88-90, Mt. Pleasant; 91, Mt. Lebanon; 92-3, Galetown; 94, Lincoln; 95-6, Beckwith; 98, Georgetown Ct.; 99-0, Vienna.
- Van Dyke, T. R.** 1895-7, Oxford; 98, Pomona; 99-0, Cape Charles.
- Waddell, D. F.** 1874-9, Wyoming Conf.; 80, Red Lion; 81-2, Christiana; 83-4, Appoquinimink; 85, Berlin; 86-7, Gumboro; 88-90, Nanticoke; 91, Galestown; 92-4, Madeley; 95, Lincoln; 96-7, Felton; 98-9, Millington; 00, Millsboro.
- Walton, O. S.** 1879, Sudlersville; 80, Princess Anne; 81-2, Chincoteague; 83-5, Sassafras; 86, Cape Charles City; 87, Selbyville; 88-9, Red Lion; 90, Sy.; 91, Hopewell; 92-3, Annapessex; 94-7, Hockessin; 98-0, Preston.
- Wallin, F. O. B.** 1871-92, in Swedish work; 93-4, Swedish Mission, Wilmington; 95-0, Sy.
- Warner, W. M.** 1853, Frederica; 54, Millington; 55, Hedding, Phila.; 56, Camden; 57-8, Denton; 59-60, Hillsboro; 61-2, Greensboro; 63-4, Sudlersville; 65-6, Harrington; 67-8, Sy.; 69-70, Felton; 71-3, Lewes; 74, Brandywine; 75-7, Millington; 78-80, Trappe; 81-2, Galena; 83, Stockton; 84-6, Wyoming; 87-8, Maryland; 89-90, Appoquinimink; 91, Leipsic; 92, Kenton; 93-4, Ingleside; 95-0, Sy.
- Watkins, R. I.** 1886, Bishopville; 87-8, Chincoteague; 89, Kingswood; 90-1, Chestertown; 92, Church Hill; 93-4, Odessa; 95-6, Cecilton; 97, Marion; 98-0, New Castle.
- Watt, Robert.** 1885-7, Princess Anne; 88-9, Snow Hill; 90-3, Milford; 94-5, Scott; 96-7, Laurel; 98-0, Wilmington Dist.
- Webster, Z. H.** 1887, Quantico; 88, Fruitland; 89-91, Whitesville; 92-3, Tangier; 94-8, Denton; 99-0, Frederica.
- Westerfield, H. A. G.** 1893-4, at school; 95-8, Chesapeake City; 99-0, Rising Sun.
- White, E. E.** 1866, Laurel; 67, Dorchester; 68, Snow Hill; 69, Bridgeville; 70-2, Quantico; 73-4, Milton; 75, Felton; 76-7, Red Lion; 78-80, Brandywine; 81-3, Cherry Hill; 84-5, Charlestown; 86-8, Smyrna Ct.; 89-92, Millington; 93-5, Church Hill; 96-0, Silverbrook.
- Willey, A. C.** Central N. Y. Conf. 1900, Colora.
- White, W. L.** 1893-4, Cookman; 95-7, Federalsburg; 98-0, Lewes.
- Wickline, J. S.** 1868-90, Virginia Conf.; 91-3, Nassau; 94, Bridgeville; 95-8, Frankford; 99-0, Denton.
- Wilcox, G. W.** 1872, Newtown; 73-4, Sharptown; 75-6, Lewisville; 77-9, Berlin; 80-1, Mt. Pleasant; 82-3, Delmar; 84, Newark, Md.; 85-6, St. Peter's; 87, Berlin; 88-9, Farmington; 90, Millsboro; 91, Holland's Island; 92-0, Sy.
- Williams, C. H.** 1882, Bridgeville; 83, East New Market; 84-6, Church Creek; 87-9, Stockton; 90, Sharptown; 91-3, Marshallton; 94-7, Mt. Pleasant; 98-0, Greenwood.
- Williams, W. S. H.** 1892, Holland's Is.; 93-7, Mt. Pleasant (Laurel.); 98, Millsboro; 99, Cordova; 00, Crapo.

- Willis, D. H.** 1885-91, Va. Conf.; 92, Hooper's Is.; 93-4, Ch. Creek; 95-6, Williamsburg; 97, Galestown; 98-9, Powellville; 00, Pocomoke Ct.
- Wilson, J. H.** 1886-91, Va. Conf.; 92, Parksley; 93, Preston; 94, Hooper's Island; 95-6, Tilghman; 97-8, Williamsburg; 99-0, Georgetown Ct.
- Wise, W. A.** 1884-5, Kingswood; 86-87, Red Lion; 88-9, Cape Charles; 90, Berlin; 91-2, Pocomoke City; 93-4, Silverbrook; 95-7, North East; 99-0, Harrington.
- Wood, Geo. E.** 1886, Crumpton; 87, King's Creek; 88-9, Hallwood; 90, Chincoteague; 91-4, Claymont; 95, Bishopville; 96-7, Cannon; 98-9, Parsonsburg; 00, Magnolia.
- Woodall, G. W.** 1880-97, Troy Conf.; 98-9, Laurel; 00, Princess Anne.
- Wright, W. E.** 1899, Leipsic; 00, Parksley.
- Wright, E. C.** St. Louis Conf. 1900, Ingleside.
- Wyatt, C. T.** 1886, Chincoteague; 87, Westover; 88-9, Berlin; 90-2, Roxanna; 93-5, Deal's Island; 96-8, Asbury, Md.; 99-0, Crisfield.

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LOCAL ELDERS.

- Conway, W. N. Westover, Md.
 Donoho, S. M. Cambridge, Md.
 Hodson, Jabez Wilmington, Del.
 Harris, J. W. Wilmington, Del.
 Hazzard, R. B. Hurlock, Md.
 Kenney, J. L. Hynson, Md.
 Roberts, J. B. Odessa, Del.
 Simms, J. H. Wilmington, Del.
 Willis, J. S. Milford, Del.

LOCAL DEACONS.

- Galloway, W. K. Wilmington, Del.
 Green, Daniel Newport, Del.
 Harris, Wm. Bridgeville, Del.
 Illick, Charles K. Cheswold, Del.
 Northrup, C. L. Hurlock, Md.
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LICENTIATES.

- Atwell, Alexander Talleyville, Del.
 Ayres, J. F. Leemont, Va.
 Beauchamp, John H. Fairmount, Md.
 Beets, W. H. Millsboro, Del.
 Biddle, Isaiah Northeast, Md.

- Brooks, A. G. Christiana, Del.
 Brown, A. R. Sylmar, Md.
 Bullock, Moses Wilmington, Del.
 Burdette, J. P. Georgetown, Del.
 Cathers, A. W. Blake, Md.
 Clapham, C. W. Roxana, Del.
 Clark, D. S. Kenton, Del.
 Clark, Andrew Westover, Md.
 Clark, J. F. Delmar, Del.
 Colman, Wm. B. Chestertown, Md.
 Cooper, L. T. Sharptown, Md.
 Conway, R. H. Harrison, Md.
 Comly, Robert Locust Grove, Md.
 Conway, J. B. Bethel, Del.
 Conaway, W. C. Wilmington, Del.
 Daniel, J. T. Wenona, Md.
 Davis, Alonzo Wilmington, Del.
 Dickey, T. M. Capitola, Md.
 Dougherty, G. M. Wilmington, Del.
 Downey, J. M. Rock Hall, Md.
 Draycott, Wm. Ellendale, Del.
 Duffin, John Wilmington, Del.
 Dunbracco, James Wilmington, Del.
 Ellegood, J. A. Ellendale, Del.
 Faries, Wm. Smyrna, Del.
 Fisher, G. M. Denton, Md.
 Folk, Edgar Boston, Mass.

Ford, Walter	Clayton, Del.	Prettyman, D. B.	Taylor's Island, Md.
Foster, Charles	Wilmington, Del.	Price, A. A.	Trappe, Md.
Fryer, Thomas	Cherry Hill, Md.	Purks, W. T.	Montchanin, Del.
Gray, Henry	Marshallton, Del.	Pusey, S. B.	Seaford, Del.
Gardner, James	Madison, N. J.	Scott, J. H.	Mt. Vernon, Md.
Gray, Frank	Marshallton, Del.	Scholl, Chas.	Wilmington, Del.
Habbord, Wm. E.	Dover, Del.	Snyder, Samuel A.	Easton, Md.
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Hancock, Ira B.	Franklin City, Va.	Simonson, J. N.	Crisfield, Md.
Harris, W. V.	Wilmington, Del.	Stephens, R. S., Dr.	Dover, Del.
Hill, M. M.	Delmar, Del.	Talley, Nelson	Wilmington, Del.
Harper, J. W.	Still Pond, Md.	Terry, G. R.	Hallwood, Va.
Janney, N. C.	Wilmington, Del.	Thomas, Geo. S.	Madison, N. J.
Johnson, W. W.	Ford's Store, Md.	Thornton, J. H.	Wilmington, Del.
Jones, Jeremiah	Trinity, Del.	Todd, Lewis	Wilmington, Del.
Jones, G. W.	Galestown, Md.	Todd, Noah	Toddville, Md.
Kane, J. F.	Summit, Del.	Tomer, Hugh	Wilmington, Del.
Kirby, L. B.	Parksley, Pa.	Watts, W. N.	Round Lake, N. Y.
Lewis, Edward	Dover, Del.	Webster, C. O.	Carlisle, Pa.
McCann, Milton	Eddystone, Pa.	Welch, J. F.	Burrsville, Md.
McCabe, H. K.	St. George, Del.	White, John	Wilmington, Del.
McLaughlin, John F.	Wilmington, Del.	Wilmot, A. A.	Wilmington, Del.
McWhite, Jas.	Fairmont, Md.	Wilkinson, J. W.	Kimbleville, Pa.
Milman, Jesse	Ellendale, Del.	Wilson, Geo. W.	Georgetown, Del.
Mitchell, G. W.	Lewis, Del.	Winder, E. J.	Onancock, Va.
Nicholson, G. W.	Powellville, Md.	Wise, J. M.	New Castle, Del.
Nicholson, E. J.	Berlin, Md.	Wilson, W. D.	Nassau, Del.
Pardee, Thos.	Lebanon, Del.	Weldin, G. W.	Wilmington, Del.
Parks, John E.	Cambridge, Del.	Wolf, Edward L.	Wilmington, Del.
Pennell, Jas.	Millington, Md.		

In Memoriam.

Names.	Entd. Min.	Time of Death.	Place of Death.	Age.	Years Effective.
John E. Elliott.	1859	Nov. 8th 1868.	Snow Hill, Md.	30	10
Thos. J. Quigley, D. D.,	1836	Oct. 19th, 1870.	Laurel, Del.	65	44
Daniel Titlow,	1850	Feb. 7th, 1871.	Philadelphia, Pa.	48	4
Amos A. Ewing,	1867	Jan. 19th, 1872.	Cecil County, Md.	30	4
Alfred Cookman,	1848	Nov. 13th, 1872.	Newark, N. J.	43	23
Jas. Augustus Massey,	1827	July 9th, 1891,	Royal Oak, Md.	64	38
James Brandreth,	1859	Oct. 3d, 1872.	Frankford, Del.	34	13
T. J. Thompson, D. D.,	1825	Nov. 29th 1874.	Wilmington, Del.	71	49
Robert E. Kemp,	1828	March 6th, 1875.	Greensboro, Md.	73	32
Wesley Kenney, D. D.,	1832	June 24th, 1875.	Smyrna, Del.	67	43
Henry Sutton,	1835	March 23d, 1876.	Philadelphia, Pa.	68	23
George A. Campbell,	1871	Sept. 7th, 1876.	Frankford, Del.	30	4
John W. Weston,	1862	April 23d, 1877.	Wilmington, Del.	38	15
John D. Curtis,	1837	July 25th 1877.	Wilmington, Del.	61	40
David R. Thomas,	1845	Feb. 13th 1878.	Wilmington, Del.	58	30
Andrew J. Crozier,	1870	Jan. 21st, 1879.	Wilmington, Del.	41	7
Joshua Humphriss,	1829	Jan. 23d, 1879.	Salisbury, Md.	78	41
Francis M. Chatham,	1868	May 29th, 1878.	Berlin, Md.	41	8
Edward G. Irwin,	1857	March 12th, 1879.	Wilmington, Del.	50	21
John Hough,	1848	March 27th, 1879.	near Trenton, N. J.	58	31
Thomas J. Williams,	1857	March 29th 1879.	New Castle, Del.	53	22
Wm. I. Bain,	1870	May 13th 1880.	Pocomoke City, Md.	36	10
Wm. Urie,	1832	Nov. 13th, 1880.	Smyrna, Del.	70	42
Thomas F. Plummer,	1860	Feb. 2d, 1881.	Wilmington, Del.	44	8
Elijah Miller,	1833	April 15th, 1881.	Sudlersville, Md.	71	49
John W. Pierson,	1836	May 6th, 1881.	Wilmington, Del.	67	44
Francis B. Quigley,	1880	August 19th, 1881.	Hopewell, Md.	27	2
Thomas J. Prettyman,	1873	Feb. 27th, 1882.	Newark, Md.	36	9
Benj. W. Chase,	1865	Dec. 11th, 1882.	Seaford, Del.	48	17
Lucius C. Maflack, D. D.,	1837	June 24th, 1883.	Cambridge, Md.	67	46
I. T. Cooper, D. D.,	1834	April 12th, 1884.	Camden, Del.	78	26
Henry Colclazer,	1829	Dec. 18th, 1884.	Philadelphia, Pa.	75	55
John L. Taft,	1833	May 30th 1884.	Norristown, Pa.	72	41
John Shilling,	1869	July 22d, 1884.	Wilmington, Del.	52	15
Arthur W. Milby,	1842	June 13th, 1886.	Harrington, Del.	71	44
Elon J. Way, M. D.,	1840	July 5th, 1886.	Baltimore, Md.	75	26
Valentine Gray,	1839	Jan. 21st, 1887.	Gap Pa.	72	42
Isaiah D. Johnson,	1881	March 4th, 1887.	Bridgeville, Del.	33	6
Wm. J. O'Neil,	1859	March 9th, 1887.	Church Hill, Md.	55	28
Jos. Dare,	1854	Oct. 22d 1887.	Newark Del.	56	32
Frank M. Morgan,	1886	Feb. 11th, 1889.	Philadelphia, Pa.	34	3
William Merrill,	1849	Oct. 23d, 1889.	Upper Fairm't, Md.	75	28
Isaac N. Foreman,	1873	June 12th, 1890.	Lincoln, Del.	47	17
John Allen,	1841	Dec. 13th, 1890.	Brooklyn, N. Y.	72	33
Samuel T. Gardner,	1855	Jan. 3d, 1891.	Pivot Bridge, Md.	60	33
Samuel J. Baker,	1889	Sep. 23d, 1891.	Laurel, Del.	33	2
Thos. O. Ayres,	1870	Oct. 14th, 1891.	Delaware City, Del.	53	21
Thos. R. Creamer,	1873	Jan. 10th, 1892.	Milton, Del.	45	19
Vaughan Smith,	1840	Nov. 21st, 1891.	Wilmington, Del.	79	43
Charles Hill,	1845	June 22d, 1892.	Salisbury, Md.	70	47
James L. Houston,	1833	Sep. 18th, 1892.	Trappe, Md.	82	32
Alfred T. Melvin,	1865	Oct. 17th, 1892.	Bel Air Md.	52	24
Alfred A. Fisher,	1859	Dec. 12th, 1893.	Bridgeville, Del.	62	17
Wm. B. Gregg,	1857	Jan. 24th, 1893.	Wyoming Del.	68	36
Joseph Robinson,	1847	Feb. 18th, 1893.	Perryman's, Md.	68	45
George Barton,	1835	March 19th, 1893.	Church Hill, Md.	84	11
James A. Brindle,	1843	April 6, 1894.	Greensboro, Md.	73	48
Nicholas M. Browne,	1860	Feb. 4, 1895.	Middletown, Del.	58	35
James Hubbard,	1850	April 4, 1895.	Philadelphia, Pa.	76	4
James E. Bryan,	1857	Oct. 17, 1895.	Baltimore, Md.	64	39
John D. Lecates,	1892	Nov. 11, 1895.	Wilmington, Del.	41	5
Thomas E. Bell,	1859	Mar. 21, 1895.	Easton, Md.	58	59
James Conner,	1868	Sep. 10, 1896.	Sebyville, Del.	59	28
Merritt Hulburd, S. T. D.	1862	Oct. 10, 1896.	Wilmington, Del.	54	34
Newton McQuay,	1873	May, 1887.	St. Michaels, Md.	57	21
William G. Chance,	1896	Sep. 13, 1897.	Quantico, Md.	33	2
Wm. B. Walton,	1848	June 21, 1898.	Salisbury, Md.	77	43
John B. Quigg,	1850	July 30, 1898.	Wilmington, Del.	72	46
John H. Caldwell,	1845	Mar. 11, 1899.	Dover, Del.	79	45
Andrew D. Davis,	1860	April 13, 1899.	Georgetown, Del.	72	35
Henry Sanderson,	1845	Aug. 16, 1899.	Ridley Park, Pa.	80	34
Edwin H. Hynson,	1859	July 27, 1899.	Smyrna, Del.	64	39
Wm. E. England,	1845	Jan. 20, 1900.	Phila., Pa.,	79	48
Thos. S. Williams,	1857	Jan. 20, 1900.	Northeast, Md.,	65	41

Memoirs.

REV. ANDREW D. DAVIS.

Andrew Downing Davis was born February 12th, 1827, near Rockland, Venango county, Pennsylvania, and died April 13th, 1899, at Georgetown, Delaware. His parents were Joshua Davis and Martha Downing, both of whom were staunch Presbyterians. The former was a native of the State of Maine and was of the original Puritan stock, who after serving his country in the army during the war of 1812 removed to Venango county, Pa., where he became the Associate Judge of the County Court.

Thus Andrew D. Davis had a good start in life, and amid favorable environments grew up to manhood and usefulness. He was married October 28th, 1847, to Miss Elizabeth Shannon, who survives him. She was a daughter of Alexander Shannon and Elizabeth Smith, both of the same State and county in which Judge Davis resided. This union was crowned with five daughters, two of whom preceded him to the "Better Country," while three survive to comfort and bless their aged widowed mother. The surviving daughters are Mrs. Isabella Wagonan, Mrs. Mary E. VanGesel and Miss Ida M. Davis.

The death of his mother and her "dying admonitions" awakened him to a keen sense of his guilt and led him to seek pardoning grace at the altar of the Rockland Methodist Episcopal Church, where on the night of October 19th, 1852, he experienced the joys of pardoned sin and on the same night joined the church on probation.

Soon after Conference of 1865 he suffered a severe attack of inflammation of the lungs, which proved so serious that the attending physician expressed grave doubts that he would ever be able to resume the work of his calling. But his life's task was not completed, and being impressed that with the blessing of God a milder climate would conduce to a speedy recovery of health, he came to Delaware, arriving with his family on October 17th, 1866, at Camden Station, now called Wyoming. Here, however, his hope of early recovery received a stunning blow by a protracted attack of typhoid fever, and he as well as others thought the end near and arranged accordingly. Nevertheless, health slowly returned, and within a year he was again found in the pulpit as well as engaged in other worthy enterprises. Among the latter was the erection and reorganization of the Wyoming Academy, of which he became the principal, which position he held about three years. He also preached in the village of Wyoming, and conducted a revival service with such success that he was enabled to organize a church there. In the spring of 1867 he was transferred to the Philadelphia Conference which then included the territory now comprising the Wilmington Conference.

The following appointments were served by him successfully as well as successively. In the Erie Conference: Curlsville, 1860-61; Rimersburg, 1862-63; Punxsutawney, 1864-65. In the Wilmington Conference: Willow Grove, 1867-68; Harrington, 1869-71; Georgetown, 1872-74; Madely, 1875; Mt. Pleasant, 1876-78; Zion, 1879-81; Denton, 1882-84;

Frankford, 1885; Accomac, 1886. At the Conference in March 1887 the Virginia District was organized and Rev. A. D. Davis was appointed Presiding Elder thereof, which position he held until March 1889 when when the Virginia District was merged in the Salisbury District of which it had previously been a part. After this he served Roxanna, 1886; Delmar, 1890-91; Georgetown Circuit, 1892-94. In 1895 owing to impaired health he was granted a supernumerary relation at his own request and in 1896 he joined the veteran corps by entering the superannuated ranks.

Upon retiring from the effective ranks he located in Georgetown, Delaware, where he identified himself actively as well as officially with the Wesley Methodist Episcopal Church, of which he was an ex-pastor, and manifested great interest in the affairs thereof, giving much time and valuable service thereto, among other things serving as leader of the Sabbath morning class, which enjoyed unprecedented prosperity under his leadership. He was never happier than when he had the ability and opportunity of proclaiming a free and full salvation, and always cheerfully responded to the call for help from any ministerial brother, especially in revival work, and many can bear testimony to his efficient service on such occasions.

He attended the thirty-fourth anniversary of the "Tuesday Night Class" of the Wesley Methodist Episcopal Church, of Georgetown, and delivered the principal address on that occasion. On Wednesday, April 12th, he participated in the funeral services of Mrs. Prudence Dodd, mother of our Rev. Julius Dodd, and made an address exceedingly appropriate and full of interest and pathos. That was his last public service. He went home from that funeral to become the subject of the next in that town and that within a few days. That night he was suddenly taken seriously ill, and despite all that medical skill could do the next morning he became unconscious and remained so until night, when he entered into well-earned rest through riches of Divine grace. The funeral service was conducted by the writer in the Wesley Methodist Episcopal Church on Sabbath afternoon, April 16th, when a great multitude was present to sympathize with the bereaved family and to pay a tribute of respect to the memory of this faithful servant of God. His remains were laid to rest in the Union Cemetery of Georgetown to await the resurrection of the just.

The life of our departed brother was no failure. He was a good man, conscientious and devout. He was a zealous worker and toiled to the end. As a preacher he was earnest, forcible, evangelical, ever aiming to lead men to Christ. As a pastor he had few superiors, and into many homes which were darkened by sorrow he carried the comfort and sunshine of the Gospel. But as a revivalist he excelled, and in every field numerous conversions crowned his ministry. At Harrington there were over 700 conversions during his first year, and over 1,100 during the three years, and it is estimated that over 5,000 persons professed conversions under his ministry, 24 of whom are known to have become preachers of the Gospel. Perhaps the secret of his success lay in the fact that he was withal a man of prayer. He spent much time in private prayer.

Thus has passed away another of the few remaining stalwart characters which made the first century of our Methodism so heroic and successful. And while the ranks are filling up with younger men, perhaps better equipped intellectually than many of the departed heroes were, will it be impertinent to inquire whether they are equally loyal to Methodism, equally consecrated to God, equally endued with the Holy Ghost as these fathers were? May the mantle of the ascended fathers of our Israel with a double portion of their spirit fall upon us who remain to continue the work of God and the Church.

ADAM STENGLE.

REV. HENRY SANDERSON.

Rev. Henry Sanderson was born in Bristol Pa., August 23, 1819. He was converted and joined the Methodist Episcopal Church early in life. God having called him to the ministry, he traveled under the elder awhile, and in 1845 was admitted into the Philadelphia Conference, which then and up to '68 included the territory of the Wilmington Conference. When the Conference was divided Bro. Sanderson became a member of the Wilmington Conference.

His appointments from the time he began preaching have been as follows: 1845, Soudersburg; 1846, Radnor; 1847, Kent; 1848, Chatham; 1849, Foulton; 1850-51, Brandywine, Pa., with headquarters at Coatsville; 1852-53, Dauphin; 1854-55, Zion; 1856-57, Church Creek; 1858-59, Lewes; 1860-61, Annapessex; 1862-63, Harrington; 1864-65, Smyrna Circuit; 1866-67, Millsboro; 1868, Supernumerary; 1869-70, Christiana; 1871-72, St. George's; 1873-74, Chester; 1875, Mt. Lebanon; 1876-77, City Mission; 1878, Port Penn; 1879-85, Supernumerary; 1886-99, Superannuated.

March 22, 1849, Bro. Sanderson was united in marriage with Miss Mary Horton, daughter of Rev. B. W. Horton, a local preacher, near Cochranville, Pa. She died December 30, 1867. Of this union five boys and two girls are now living—four in Wilmington and one each in Ridley Park, Pa.; Gloucester, N. J., and Sacramento, Cal. A brother and sister also live to mourn his departure. In 1872 he was again married to Mrs. Lambdon, the widow of Rev. J. Lambdon, of the Philadelphia Conference. Brother Sanderson was her fourth preacher husband, she having been the wife of Revs. Bain, Hirons and Lambdon, of the Philadelphia Conference. She died December 14, 1891, since which Bro. Sanderson had lingered alone on the borders. He frequently said he was living on borrowed time, being over three-score years and ten. His health had been failing for years, but he was able to go until about two weeks before his death, when extreme weakness caused him to leave Chester Heights Camp Meeting, where he was assisting in the services. He was removed to the home of his daughter, Mrs. Linton, at Ridley Park, where he was tenderly cared for until the end came, Wednesday, August 16, 1899. His remains were taken to Wilmington, where appropriate funeral services were held in Union Church Saturday, August 19, at 2 P. M., conducted by his pastor, Rev. C. A. Grise, assisted by Revs. T. S. Thomas, of Ocean Grove; J. D. Rigg, of Chester; John France, J. D. C. Hanna, W. F. Dawson, J. O. Sypherd, E. H. Derrickson and J. P. Otis. Interment was made at Lombardy Cemetery, near Wilmington. Bro. Sanderson was a quiet, faithful, sweet-spirited follower of Jesus. He thoroughly knew his condition to the last, and met death as a welcome messenger to convey him to a better home, where none sicken or grow old.

C. A. GRISE.

EDWIN H. HYNSON.

Edwin Harman Hynson was born at Sassafras, Md., August 13, 1835, and was converted in the Methodist Episcopal Church at Centreville, Md., in March, 1851. Shortly afterward he removed to Smyrna, Del., where he was apprenticed to a jeweler and watchmaker. What time he could spare from work he spent in study looking toward the work of the ministry, to which he felt called some time after his conversion. Upon the conclusion of his apprenticeship he entered the General Methodist Biblical Institute at Concord, N. H., from which he was graduated in 1858. In the spring of 1859 he was received on trial in the Troy Conference, and was subsequently stationed at Vergennes, Vt., and Lincoln, Vt. The General Conference of 1860 transferred the St. Albans and Burlington Districts from

the Troy to the Vermont Conference, and this action made Brother Hynson a member of the Vermont Conference, in which he served Salisbury, Westford and Centre Rutland. The action of the General Conference already referred to left the spirit of unrest among our churches in the Champlain Valley, and many ministers removed to other Conferences.

Brother Hynson's longing for a home in the land of his childhood was thus awakened and intensified, but the work on "the border" was suffering because of the strife of the civil war, and this caused him to hesitate. However in 1864 he was transferred to the Wyoming Conferences, of which he was a member for six years serving Blakely, Factoryville, and Clifford. He was married May 1, 1866, to Miss Mary A. Wint, of Luzerne County, Pa., who, with one daughter and two sons, survives.

He returned to the Peninsula in 1870, and has since been a member of the Wilmington Conference. His charges in this Conference have been Preston, 1870-72; Trappe, 1873-74; Marydel, 1875-77; Gumboro, 1878-79; Quantico, 1880-81; Roxana, 1882-84; Camden, 1885-87; Zion, 1888-89; Charlestown, 1890-92; Appoquinimink, 1893-94; Kent Island, 1895-97. In the fall of 1897 his health failed, and at the next session of his Conference he asked for and received a supernumerary relation. Removing to Smyrna, he took an active interest in the work of the church, cheerfully responding to any call for service. He passed to his eternal reward July 27, 1899, saying to those who stood about his bedside, "Victory won!" The funeral services were held in Asbury Church, Smyrna, and a large number of his ministerial brethren were present.

Brother Hynson was a faithful minister of the Gospel. With all his heart he believed in the Atonement as providing the only salvation for this lost world, and it was always his supremest joy to preach the Word. The religion which he preached to others had a saving effect upon his own character, and he was among the purest of men, utterly devoid of self-seeking and selfishness; in thought, word and deed he obeyed the law of love.

"It is not death to die,
To leave this weary road,
And, 'mid the brotherhood on high,
To be at home with God.

"Jesus, thou Prince of life,
Thy chosen cannot die!
Like thee, they conquer in the strife.
To reign with thee on high."

C. A. HILL.

THOMAS S. WILLIAMS.

Thomas Sipple Williams, the son of Jacob and Ann D. Williams, was born near Smyrna, Del., February 6, 1835, and died at his home in Northeast, Md., January 20, 1900. He was trained up from infancy in the doctrines of the Methodist Episcopal Church, of which both his parents were members, and at the early age of eleven years embraced religion himself, and was thus identified with the Church for more than fifty years, thus proving that conversion in childhood is not necessarily a temporary experience. He enjoyed such educational advantages as were furnished by the public schools of those days, supplemented by an academic course at Charlottsville, N. Y., and a collegiate course at Dickinson College. He was given an exhorter's license when he was seventeen years of age by Rev. George W. Lybrand, and was recommended by the Quarterly Conference of Carlisle for license to preach. Feeling that the ministry was his divinely appointed work, he prepared to give himself special

equipment for it by taking a course of study in the Biblical Institute of Concord, N. H., and after completing his studies there was received on trial into the Philadelphia Conference in March, 1857, of which Conference he remained a member until the General Conference in 1868 created the Wilmington Conference, and being at that time within the bounds of the latter he became a member thereof. Since the division of the Philadelphia Conference his appointments in the Wilmington Conference have been as follows: 1867-70, Easton, Md.; 1870-73, Chesapeake City, Md.; 1873-75, Greensboro, Md.; 1875-77, Delaware City, Del.; 1877-79, Laurel, Del.; 1879-83, Presiding Elder of Salisbury District; 1883-85, Milton, Del.; 1885-86, Northeast, Md. His health failing him, he was compelled to give up his pulpit work before the end of his second year at Northeast, and was granted a supernumerary relation, which he held until 1892, when he was again made effective, having in the meantime gone to Minnesota and served the Church there. After he was restored to the effective ranks he was sent to Cannon Circuit, at one of the appointments of which—Bethel—a beautiful church stands as a monument to his wisdom and zeal. From Cannon's he went to Lincoln, Del., and from Lincoln to Red Lion. Here the disease that ultimately culminated in his death assumed such a form that he felt it was not wise for him to take upon himself any longer the burden of active ministry, and although in many respects he had a good deal of physical vigor, his affliction was of a character that was superinduced and aggravated by any excitement. Therefore, at the Conference of 1898, he yielded to his own judgment and the solicitations of his wife, and asked for a superannuated relation, and made his home in Northeast. During the nearly two years of his superannuate relation he was frequently called upon to do pulpit work, which he always did cheerfully and acceptably.

In 1860 he was married to Miss Mary Emily Bell, near Greensborough, who proved to be a most worthy helper to him in the work of the ministry. She died at Milton, Del., on the 29th of May, 1884. The children of that union now living are Robert, a prominent lawyer of Chattanooga, Tenn.; Frank, a member of the Baltimore Presbytery; Thomas, of Atlantic City; Denny, and Mrs. May Moore, of Northeast, Md. He was united in marriage a second time to Miss Mattie S. West, of North East, who, with her son Paul, now mourns his departure.

The suddenness of Bro. Williams' death was a shock even to his own immediate family, much more to the people of the town.

Bro. Williams' ministry was characterized by unusual zeal and vigor. He threw himself into his work without any consideration of himself. He fully carried out the Scripture injunction, "Whatsoever thy hand findeth to do, do it with thy might." Perhaps if he had been more considerate of himself in this respect he might have lived longer, but he doubtless lost all sight and thought of himself when he became fully absorbed in the work that he had in hand. The length of time that he stayed at the most of his appointments indicates the worth and the appreciation of his ministry. It has been the privilege of the writer to be brought into very close intimacy with him by sustaining at two different times the relation of pastor to his family. I was assigned to the church at Salisbury at the same time that he was appointed Presiding Elder of Salisbury District, making his home in the town of Salisbury. Again at the last Conference I was appointed to Northeast and became the pastor of his family a second time. He was one of the most approachable men even in his official relation, and had about him that cordiality and frankness that made others feel easy in his presence. He was a brother in the fullest sense and took his brother ministers into his confidence.

Another commendable feature of Bro. Williams was his appreciation of the efforts of

others. If it be true that "kind words can never die" then he has in this way perpetuated his power to do good, for he was always ready with kind, appreciative words, and they were not uttered with any thought or purpose of mere compliment or flattery. I do not believe that that was in his mind, but out of an honest heart and for the purpose of giving encouragement and strength. Many others doubtless can confirm this testimony and can testify to the stimulus and strength which some kind word of his gave them.

His retirement from the active ranks of the ministry did not lessen, in the least, his interest in the work of the church. He was always ready to contribute whatever he could to the interest of the church where he lived and the pastor of that church found in him not only a wise counsellor, but a ready and willing helper. Both the Church and the pastor of North East feel that they have sustained a great loss in his death.

After appropriate funeral services at the Methodist Episcopal Church at North East in which the writer was assisted by Rev. R. Watt, D. D., Rev. Geo. W. Woodall, Rev. W. S. Hammond, Rev. W. A. Wise and Rev. W. R. McFarlane his remains were borne to the cemetery at Bethel, Md., and beside those of her who shared with him the tests and trials and triumphs of twenty-five years of his ministry.

GEO. W. TOWNSEND.

REV. WILLIAM E. ENGLAND.

This highly respected and devotedly loved minister joined the Philadelphia Conference in the year 1845, and continued that relation until the organization of the Wilmington Conference, the territory of which was an integral part of the Philadelphia Conference until 1868. Brother England was at the time of division engaged in ministerial work upon the peninsula, hence his lot fell among his brethren of the newly formed Conference, in which he was a conspicuous figure and served some among the more prominent circuits and stations within the bounds of the Wilmington conference with great acceptability and success.

He was a preacher of peculiar attractiveness in the exposition, elucidation and enforcement of Scriptural truth. He had great serenity of soul and equitable temper; always upon his guard, and being possessed of an inquiring mind, he was a great student, and kept himself in touch with the advanced thought of his time. He had not the gift of self-assertiveness, nor did he seek place or preferment, but was content to do service in any field assigned him. His pulpit ability was everywhere acknowledged, and his pastoral duties were never neglected.

Owing to the incurable ailment of his wife, which disqualified her for domestic duties and churchly ministries, he felt it his duty some ten years ago to relinquish his work and devote his time to her caretaking, which was in one sense a great sacrifice, but to him was an imperative service. Of course, this condition of affairs made him somewhat of a recluse, but it afforded him opportunity for prosecuting favorite studies, which he enjoyed up to within a few days of his death. Recently he had a stroke of paralysis, which ended in death. He died at the residence of his niece, No. 2322 North Seventeenth street, Philadelphia, on Saturday morning, Jan. 20, 1900. She was a fond and faithful friend. He was born in Lancaster, Pa., April 4th, 1821. The funeral services began in the house, where Dr. S. McBurney led in prayer, and the body was then conveyed to the West York Street Church, where a large number of sympathizing persons gathered to observe the obsequies. Rev. J. F. Crouch had charge of the services. Hymn No. 656 was sung by the large choir; Rev. L. D. McClinck led in prayer; hymn No. 991 was read by Rev. S. McBurney; the first lesson was read by Rev. J. W. Sayers, D. D., and the second by Rev. G. T. Hurlock. Resolutions from the Preachers' Meeting of Wilmington were presented and read by Rev. Alfred Scott, and those prepared by the committee appointed by the Philadelphia Preachers' Meeting by Rev.

Thomas Kirkpatrick. The writer of this minute made an address, which was followed by Rev. John F. Crouch, the pastor and the life long friend of the departed, and who for the last five years had been in almost daily intercourse with Bro. England. The tribute of Bro. Crouch was beautiful and appropriate. Mr. C. C. Hancock was called upon to speak in behalf of the laymen, and indeed for all the members of church and school, which he did in very touching and terse terms. The choir sang a beautiful voluntary. Rev. Thomas S. Thomas pronounced the benediction, after which the persons present viewed the remains. The body was conveyed by loving hands, on Tuesday morning, to that most beautiful and most remarkable God's acre connected with Old Barratt's Chapel, near Frederica, Del., where the dust of our glorified brother shall rest until Jesus shall bid it rise and be clothed with its spiritual habiliments.

W. E. AVERY.

MRS. KATE MATILDA HARDING.

Mrs. Katie Matilda Harding was born in Kent County, Md. Her parents were Richard and Louisa Moffett. In childhood she became the subject of redeeming grace, and for years witnessed a good confession, and exemplified the principles of the doctrine of Christ. By nature she was retiring and diffident, but her life shone with a steady consistency which spoke louder than words of the value and power of the Christian religion.

She was married to Rev. T. H. Harding Dec. 19, 1873, and for 26 years shared with him in the toils and pleasures of the itinerancy. With a sublime faith she went forward in the path of duty and sacrifice, leaving in the various charges which they served the impress of a faithful, conscientious and devoted Christian, always doing what she could to further the cause of Christ. As a wife she was indeed a help-meet. As a mother she was not only loving, but conscientious. Her only child she considered a sacred charge from God, and to guide her steps aright was the burden of her prayers and the thoughtful care of her life.

Her home was pervaded by the atmosphere of Christian affection and the abode of whole-hearted hospitality. The writer recalls many delightful visits to the parsonages presided over by this now departed saint. She was a woman of strong attachments, and decided opinions, and impressed all who came in contact with her that she lived to serve others and make them happy.

She was sick for over a year, and the latter part of this time was marked by severe suffering. Yet, in the midst of it all, the Christ whom she served and loved was with her, and in the midst of the cloud she felt the pressure of the hand of the Infinite Father. She was graciously permitted to retain her consciousness all through her illness, and in answer to the question of her husband as to how she felt replied: "It is all right. I have no fear. The way is all clear. Take good care of Florrie." Thus, in passing through the valley and shadow of death, she feared no evil. At last the wheels of life ceased to turn—the weary heart ceased to beat—the tired pilgrim was at rest. She died December 17, 1899, the twenty-sixth anniversary of her marriage. Funeral services were held at Stanton Methodist Episcopal Church, on the 21st of December, in charge of Presiding Elder Watt, assisted by Bros. Crowe and Barrett. A large concourse of relatives and friends were in attendance, sorrowing most of all that they should see her face no more. Her body was laid away to rest at Mt. Salem Cemetery to await the Resurrection.

She leaves a husband and daughter standing upon the shore and gazing wistfully after the departed form of wife and mother. They are comforted, however, in the glorious truth that while the sun of her natural life has gone down on the hill-tops and valleys, it has arisen upon the mountain peaks of a glorious immortality. They will often sigh for the "touch of a

vanished hand and the sound of a voice that is stilled," but that hand now waves the palm of victory, and that voice sings the song of redemption around the throne of God.

L. E. BARRETT.

MRS. ELIZABETH PIERSON.

Mrs. Elizabeth Pierson, the second wife of Rev. John W. Pierson and the daughter of Dr. Scott, of Galena, Md., died in Wilmington, Del., June 8, 1899. The funeral services were held at the residence of Mrs. Melville Gambrill, June 9th, a true and faithful friend, who "visited the widow in her affliction" and begged the privilege of giving the deceased burial from her own home. Rev. W. L. S. Murray had charge and spoke of the faith and devotion of the departed, her love for the word of God, her journeying alone for eighteen years and yet not alone, for Christ was her companion and friend. He also stated that such was her conviction of the near approach of death that everything was in a state of readiness for the appearing. She told her friend what she wished done, and just where she would find all necessary to clothe the body for its long and much-needed rest. Rev. Henry Baker, Rev. C. A. Grise and Rev. A. T. Scott were present and assisted in the last sad rites. The interment was at Galena, Md., June 10th, where her body awaits the resurrection of the dead.

W. L. S. MURRAY.

MRS. MARY HOLLISTER CASWELL.

Mary Hollister Caswell, wife of Rev. E. W. Caswell, of Middletown, was born near Norwich, N. Y., May 25, 1847, and died at the residence of her son, Rev. Lincoln H. Caswell, Glen Cove, Long Island, N. Y., October 4, 1899. She was the daughter of Rev. David S. and Charlotte B. Hollister. She was married June 3, 1868, and for thirty years she filled the position of a faithful and devoted wife in the Methodist itinerancy. Fifteen years in the Wyoming Conference, three in the Oregon, eleven in the Southern California, and one in the New England Southern, represent the fields of toil to which she and her husband have been called. Throughout her life she distinguished herself in the remarkable assistance which she rendered her husband in the work to which God had called him. In the work of the Woman's Home Missionary Society she found ample play for all her rich endowments. For many years she was the Corresponding Secretary of the Woman's Home Missionary Society in Southern California. She was also the founder of the Deaconess work in the city of Los Angeles, as a result of which Los Angeles enjoys a Deaconess Home of fine proportions.

Early in May a second surgical operation was performed at the Brooklyn Methodist Hospital, but the deadly cancerous disease moved slowly onward, defying all medical skill to arrest its course.

Sister Caswell was converted at the age of twelve years and enjoyed a bright religious experience. Some eight years ago she entered into the fulness of the blessing of the Gospel of Christ, the richness of which was exhibited in life and testimony and personal enjoyment. Her death was triumphant. Her funeral was held at the Glen Cove Methodist Episcopal Church on Friday, October 6, 1899, the Rev. George Van Alstyne, D. D., Presiding Elder of the Brooklyn North District, and Rev. George P. Eckman, D. D., pastor of the St. Paul's Methodist Episcopal Church, New York city, were the officiating clergymen, assisted by Rev. J. Avery Norris, the pastor of the Glen Cove Presbyterian Church. The interment was in the Hillside Cemetery at Glen Cove.

ALFRED SMITH.

Lay Electoral Conference. 1900.

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Salisbury District.

L. S. Melson,	J. W. Ennis,	J. A. Evans,	W. H. Jackson,
L. H. Crockett,	P. J. Miles,	R. J. McAllen,	Z. W. Richardson,
G. W. Wolson,	W. F. Atkinson,	G. B. Tillman,	A. C. Lewis,
Elijah Hayman,	J. L. Wilson,	W. L. Scott,	B. P. Miles,
N. T. Connor,	J. H. Downing,	George Burton,	G. B. Furman,
D. H. Lewis,	W. W. Knowles,	E. J. Winder,	E. A. Melson,
C. W. Larmore,	W. B. Horner,	T. A. Melson,	C. S. Gunby,
L. T. Cooper,	I. J. Brasure.		

Wilmington District.

G. W. Todd,	Webster Brown,	W. B. Coleman,	C. F. Davidson,
Moses Bullock,	Lewis T. Grubb,	Henry Vinsinger,	E. W. Manning,
Charles Beadenkoff,	S. H. Baynard,	W. E. Greenfield,	O. M. Fundin,
G. R. Tomkins,	W. H. Cole,	I. E. Perry,	William Anderson,

John Mearns,	A. G. Brooks,	J. W. Coley,	J. W. Ewing,
L. T. R. Ward,	A. G. Brown,	I. M. Lenderman,	A. R. Brown,
John White, Jr.,	H. K. McCabe,	J. W. Elliott,	W. T. Weldin,
W. T. Hammond,	G. O. Geary,	Edwin Golding,	J. R. Davis,
Adam Peeples,	C. S. Abrahams,	G. W. Weldin,	B. L. Spence,
J. C. Owens,	C. B. Lore,	Joseph Derrickson,	S. A. Stewart,
W. R. Flinn,	G. M. Dougherty,	S. L. Hanby,	A. E. Davidson.

Proceedings.

The Lay Electoral Conference met at Epworth Church, Wilmington, Del., March 23, 1900. The meeting was called to order by R. M. Cooper at 10 o'clock A. M. Hon. Charles B. Lore was called to the chair, and R. M. Cooper elected Secretary, and J. S. Collins Assistant Secretary. Prayer was offered by Bro. Elliott, of Summit Bridge.

Upon motion, the temporary organization was made permanent.

The following committees were appointed: On Credentials—Bros. T. A. Stewart, Dr. A. E. Sudler, J. A. Ellegood and T. A. Melson.

On Resolutions—G. W. Todd, at large; Amos R. Brown, Wilmington District; Jos. Smithers, Easton District; Henry R. Lewis, Dover District; P. B. Miles, Salisbury District.

A resolution was offered by Dr. E. W. Cooper with reference to raising funds for benevolent purposes by the churches, which was read, and commented upon by Dr. Cooper, H. R. Lewis and others, and this, with other resolutions, was referred to the committee. (See resolutions 1 to 6, inclusive.)

Report of Committee on Credentials was presented (see list). Report accepted and committee discharged.

Report of Committee on Resolutions was read (see Resolutions). Report was accepted and committee discharged.

Afternoon Session.

Afternoon session opened at 2 o'clock. The first order was a devotional service of half an hour in charge of Bro. J. A. Ellegood, after which Judge Lore took the chair, and upon motion of Dr. E. W. Cooper the Conference proceeded to the election of Delegates to the General Conference, to be held in Chicago, which election resulted as follows:

Wilmington District—Hon. C. B. Lore. Alternate—S. H. Baynard.

Easton District—G. E. Hukill. Alternate—G. C. Moore.

Dover District—Jos. E. Holland. Alternate—J. W. Fletcher.

Salisbury District—Geo. A. Cox. Alternate—L. E. P. Dennis.

The tellers were J. W. Ewing, C. H. Jefferson, John Heyd and T. A. Melson.

The Conference adjourned at 5:30 to meet at 9 o'clock A. M. to-morrow the 24th inst.

Morning Session, March 24.

The Conference was called to order at 9 o'clock A. M., by Brother Winder of Onancock, Va., who conducted the devotional exercises, lasting thirty minutes, after which Judge Lore took the chair.

A collection was taken, which amounted to \$40. The resolutions offered yesterday were taken up, read and adopted.

No. 1. This was offered by Bro. R. M. Cooper, and was in relation to the army canteen, and its damaging work upon the young men in the army during the late war with Spain.

No. 2. With reference to raising funds for benevolent purposes, which was adopted.

No. 3. With relation to Temperance, adopted.

No. 4. With reference to the election of Presiding Elders, adopted.

No. 5. With reference to Wilmington Conference Academy, adopted.

No. 6. Expressing the thanks of the Lay Conference to the good people of Wilmington, for their hospitality, entertainment, etc., adopted.

The following committee was appointed to notify the Ministerial Conference that our Conference would meet with them at 11.15 o'clock: Dr. E. W. Cooper, Dr. A. E. Sudler and Joseph Smithers.

On motion of Bro. H. R. Lewis it was ordered that all the resolutions passed by this body be printed in the Conference minutes. At this point the Conference proceeded to the audience room and met with the Ministerial Conference, the newly elected Delegates taking seats upon the platform.

The greetings of this body were extended to the Conference by Hon. C. B. Lore, Jos. E. Holland and G. E. Hukil, which was responded to by Revs. Murray and O'Brien. The Lay Conference then returned to the lecture room of the church and was called to order by the chairman. A rising vote of thanks was extended to Judge Lore for the courteous and gentlemanly manner in which he presided over the Conference.

There being no further business the Conference adjourned at 12.30 o'clock P. M.

R. M. COOPER, *Secretary*.

Resolutions.

I.

As we stand upon the turning point of the centuries we feel that we have great cause for thankfulness to the God of nations for the many blessings that have come to us in developing our resources and elevating us to the highest place among the nations of the earth, and for the wonderful achievements wrought in Christianizing and civilizing distant parts of the world during the nineteenth century, and rejoice that we, as the Methodist Episcopal church, and as American citizens have, in his providence, been privileged to share a prominent part in the great work accomplished. And now, as we approach the twentieth century, we are not unmindful of the increased responsibilities of properly caring for and Christianizing the people who have recently become the wards of our nation, and guarding the moral and spiritual welfare of the thousands of young men who have left their homes and enlisted in our armies.

As layman of the Methodist Episcopal church and citizens of a Christian Republic, we feel that we cannot conscientiously refrain from making our utterances most emphatic and therefore

Resolved, That we condemn in the strongest possible language the institution of the army canteen, under the influence of which thousands of our soldiers have been debauched, debilitated and made criminals, and many of our old veterans about the soldiers' homes have disgraced their honored calling and dishonored the flag of their country.

Resolved, That we condemn, with equal emphasis, the subterfuges resorted to by the Administration at Washington to subvert the will of the people and annul the recent act of Congress prohibiting the sale of beer and other liquors in the army and navy; and

WHEREAS, The humiliating fact comes to us that in Alaska and in the islands of the Atlantic and Pacific, wherever our flag has been unfurled as the standard of authority, the curse of the liquor saloon is being imposed upon the people under the fostering care of our government; therefore,

Resolved, That we consider it to be the duty of all good people to use every legitimate

means to secure the entire prohibition of the liquor traffic, and pray that the time may soon come when we shall be free from its curse, and it can be truly said of us, "Blessed is the nation whose God is the Lord," for "righteousness exalteth a nation; but sin is a reproach to any people."

II.

WHEREAS, The Bishops of our Church, through a committee of three of their number, have deemed the decrease in our membership as well as the decline in our spiritual power so ominous for the future, in reference to our Status in the great work of human evangelization, as to issue an open letter calling attention to the same, and reciting therein the probable causes of these sad facts, which, said causes, exist more in omission of duty than in commission of wrong; and

WHEREAS, After a careful reading and a thoughtful and prayerful consideration thereof, we believe we can, from our standpoint as Laymen, suggest the fundamental cause or origin of this lamentable but confessedly true condition, not only of our own Methodist Episcopal Church, but of the general Christian people of all churches, and hence feel that it is our duty to do so; and

WHEREAS, We firmly believe that the present rivalry between churches, pastor and denominations on the money raising question, has reached such a point that it has become a burden on the people, a standard of the religious character of the church-member, and the evidence of the efficiency of the pastor and has placed evangelizing work in the back ground with all. Indeed, we know in our own church, pastors often, when by their most energetic and faithful efforts—efforts that sometimes seriously diminish their power—have failed to reach the apportionments assigned them, feel compelled to take from their own meagre salaries, sufficient to make up the deficiency, or lose their standing with the powers that be. And we believe further, that unless some stop be put to this continual advance in this direction, and our pastors be placed or graded on a soul-saving basis, rather than a money getting one, our church will be compelled to open its doors wider for the admission of members, as was attempted at the last General Conference, to meet the demand and hence will greatly fall from its first estate, the cause of moral and Christian development in the church at large be much retarded and our church will become an organization of rich men, which will practically deprive the poor man of the luxury of church membership; therefore

Resolved, That our Delegates to the General Conference be instructed to use their best efforts to so remodel our financial system that the laity of the several districts of the Annual Conference shall have a controlling part in making the apportionments to their respective charges for all the financial demands of the church, to the end that our preachers may be better paid, our church work more efficiently carried on and the pastor relieved of the incessant work necessary to meet the financial demands heretofore and now made by General Conference Committees and the Board of Presiding Elders of the Annual Conferences, who make them on the incorrect basis of pastor's salaries and estimated value of church property, without sufficient knowledge of the financial ability of the people. "The Lord loveth a cheerful giver," not one who gives from social or church pride or from fear of criticism, nor is this latter giving spiritually improving.

Resolved, That, in view of the changes made in the law of the State of Delaware, with reference to the election of Trustees of the church, our Delegates be further instructed to use their influence to so amend the Discipline in Section 301, as that the Trustees shall be elected

at a meeting of the adult members of the church, called for such special purpose, upon a ten days' notice thereof, posted on the doors of the church.

III.

WHEREAS, From present indications the coming session of our General Conference will be one of vital interest to the church, therefore

Resolved, That our Lay Representatives to that body be instructed to work and vote against that sentiment, which seems to be gaining ground within the bounds of our church, that would, in a measure at least, remove the old safeguards of the past and open the way for the popular amusements of the day.

Resolved, That the ringing declaration of former years with regard to the legalized rum traffic shall be reiterated and maintained; that no organization should stand in the way of the final and complete annihilation of the business. Believing as we do that it is the greatest barrier to the progress of Christianity and civilization, our attitude should be one of uncompromising and open hostility.

IV.

WHEREAS, In our opinion, the interests of our general church would be much better served by a change in the manner of selecting our Presiding Elders, therefore

Resolved, That it is the sense of this Lay Electoral Conference that Presiding Elders should be elected annually by the members of the Annual Conference and shall be eligible to re-election for six consecutive years; and that we memorialize our General Conference through our delegates to so change our discipline as to make this possible.

V.

The one, and only one, great institution of our Conference is the Wilmington Conference Academy. It stands for sound education, high morals, fervent piety and loyalty to Methodism. In management, in discipline, in home life of the students, in the careful oversight of the needs of the students as to their physical, mental and moral welfare, the Academy is worthy of our most perfect confidence. We therefore pledge anew our loyal support to Wilmington Conference Academy and to Rev. Vaughan S. Collins, the Principal, and assure him we will do all we can to assist in securing students, and also assist him in securing funds to pay off the burdensome debt.

VI.

Resolved, That the thanks of the members of this Lay Electoral Conference are due and the same are hereby extended to the good people of the city of Wilmington for the exceedingly kind and hospitable manner in which they have received and entertained us in their homes.

Resolved, That we extend thanks to the press for the full, fair and impartial manner of reporting our Conference proceedings.

GEO. W. TODD, *Chairman*.

Distribution of Conference Funds.

Date of Claim	Term of Service.	NAME OF CLAIMANT.	POST OFFICE.	Estimates of Quarterly Conference.	Amount received by each Claimant.
SUPERANNUATED.					
1878 31	y'rs.	Geo. A. Phoebus.....	Brooklyn, N. Y.....	\$250 00	\$160 00
1871 15	"	James Esgate.....	Tamworth, N. H.....	325 00	100 00
1891 33	"	W. W. Redman.....	Farmington, Del.....	350 00	140 00
1896 60	"	B. F. Price.....	Elkton, Md.....	400 00	225 00
1897 28	"	Edward Davis.....	Newark, Worcester Co., Md.....	250 00	200 00
1885 28	"	Wm. F. Talbot.....	Dover, Del.....	300 00	150 00
1895 42	"	William M. Warner.....	Millington, Md.....	400 00	240 00
SUPERNUMERARY.					
1889 19	y'rs.	J. W. Poole.....	Farmington, Kent Co., Del.....	250 00	95 00
1891 40	"	James W. Hammersley.....	Baltimore, Md.....	250 00	175 00
1892 24	"	J. D. Rigg.....	Chester, Pa.....	400 00	210 00
1893 21	"	George W. Wilcox.....	Salisbury, Md.....	400 00	160 00
1893 17	"	William L. P. Bowen.....	Newark, Worcester Co., Md.....	150 00	50 00
1894 50	"	T. H. Haynes.....	Smyrna, Del.....	400 00	210 00
1895 22	"	William M. Green.....	Camden, Del.....	400 00	125 00
1897 26	"	William E. Tomkinson.....	Carlisle, Pa.....	300 00	175 00
1899 34	"	James Carroll.....	Milford, Del.....	200 00	140 00
1898	"	F. O. B. Wallin.....	.....	.....	100 00
1900 40	"	J. O. Sypher.....	Wilmington.....	.....	100 00
1899 11	"	Warren Burr.....	Ocean View, Va.....	.....	125 00
WIDOWS.					
1865 10	y'rs.	Carrie B. Dennison.....	Wilmington, Del.....	200 00	100 00
1873 14	"	Rebecca M. Brandreth.....	Philadelphia, Pa.....	100 00	100 00
1878 15	"	Laura E. Weston.....	.....	.....	35 00
1878 33	"	Mary S. Thomas.....	Wilmington, Del.....	100 00	50 00
1879 21	"	Annie H. Irwin.....	Wilmington, Del.....	100 00	130 00
1879 10	"	Annie D. Chatham.....	.....	.....	230 00
1879 22	"	Sarah A. Williams.....	Smyrna, Del.....	400 00	120 00
1881 11	"	Sadie B. Bain.....	Kepple, Blair Co., Penna.....	200 00	75 00
1882 8	"	Emma A. Prettyman.....	East Market, Dorchester Co., Md.....	250 00	100 00
1884 33	"	Rebecca E. Hough.....	Smyrna, Del.....	250 00	100 00
1884 43	"	Roberta H. Matlack.....	Wilmington, Del.....	150 00	50 00
1884 15	"	Emma L. Shilling.....	Wilmington, Del.....	100 00	50 00
1887 37	"	Mary F. Way.....	4220 Broom St., Phila., Pa.....	100 00	90 00
1887 6	"	Mollie P. Johnson.....	Milford, Del.....	200 00	150 00
1887 28	"	Mary A. O'Neil.....	Baltimore, Md.....	300 00	140 00
1887 48	"	Sarah D. Gray.....	Gap, Lancaster Co., Penna.....	200 00	90 00
1891 35	"	Louisa A. Gardner.....	Cheswold, Del.....	300 00	100 00
1891 18	"	Mary A. Foreman.....	Wilmington, Del.....	300 00	90 00
1891 35	"	Henrietta M. Allen.....	No. 24 Fisher Pl., Brooklyn, N. Y.....	.....	125 00
1892 20	"	S. Jennie Creamer.....	Wilmington, Del.....	300 00	215 00
1893 19	"	G. Annie Gregg.....	Wyoming, Del.....	.....	100 00
1893 35	"	Susan S. Hill.....	Wilmington, Del.....	200 00	190 00
1893 47	"	M. E. Robinson.....	Ferryman's, Harford Co., Md.....	.....	75 00
1893 26	"	Marian F. Melvin.....	415 E. Huntington Av. Balt., Md.....	350 00	120 00
1893 27	"	Ruth B. Fisher.....	Bridgeville, Sussex Co., Del.....	150 00	125 00
1895 48	"	Ellen Brindle.....	Greensboro Caroline, Md.....	.....	70 00
1896 4	"	Lizzie M. Lecates.....	Deal's Island, Md.....	400 00	200 00
1896 35	"	Annie D. Bryan.....	Odessa, Del.....	150 00	80 00
1898 25	"	Mary E. McQuay.....	St. Michael's, Md.....	250 00	100 00
1898 35	"	C. C. Browne.....	Wilmington, Del.....	150 00	50 00
1899 40	"	Mrs. J. B. Quigg.....	Wilmington, Del.....	150 00	100 00
1899 47	"	Mrs. J. H. Caldwell.....	Dover, Del.....	250 00	200 00
1895 35	"	Elizabeth Davis.....	Georgetown, Md.....	500 00	190 00
1898 41	"	Mrs. M. L. Williams.....	Northeast, Md.....	250 00	150 00
1893 48	"	Mrs. Wm. E. England.....	Philadelphia, Pa.....	.....	200 00
1867 4	"	Emma D. Ewing.....	Philadelphia, Pa.....	125 00	50 00
1898 39	"	Mrs. E. H. Hynson.....	Smyrna, Del.....	.....	100 00
		James Conner's minor children.....	.....	.....	50 00

STATISTICAL
Easton District, No. 1.

NAMES OF CHARGES.	Church Membership			Baptisms		SUNDAY SCHOOLS.		CHURCH PROPERTY	
	No. of Probationers.	No. of Full Members.	No. of Local Preachers.	No. of Deaths.	No. of Childr'n baptized.	No. of Adults baptized.	No. of Schools.	No. of Officers and Teachers.	No. of Scholars.
1 Bayside	12	74	2	9	2	20	115	\$ 2700	.....
2 Cecilton.....	13	180	4	8	2	38	278	12000	\$ 2000
3 Centreville.....	44	287	7	18	2	41	302	13000	1 3500
4 Cheswold and Bethel.....	14	230	1	4	2	32	190	7500	.....
5 Chestertown.....	57	252	2	5	10	1	28	16200	1 4000
6 Church Hill.....	13	158	1	15	1	3	36	5000	1 800
7 Clayton.....	5	190	1	22	1	1	21	4000	1 1500
8 Cordova.....	44	90	1	8	1	4	35	2500	1 1200
9 Crumpton.....	35	145	.....	5	3	19	170	5000	1 1000
10 Easton.....	20	270	1	2	10	1	36	376	1 5000
11 Fairlee.....	19	90	1	1	.....	1	15	104	1 1200
12 Galena.....	51	122	1	2	8	2	21	102	2 3000
13 Golt's.....	39	100	1	7	.....	3	30	127	3 3000
14 Greensboro.....	85	213	.....	1	1	29	231	2500	1 1500
15 Hillsboro.....	49	244	1	15	1	2	35	206	2 10000
16 Ingleside.....	4	171	1	2	1	4	45	330	5 4500
17 Kent Island.....	39	226	1	2	19	3	36	400	3 5000
18 Kenton.....	17	170	2	8	.....	3	20	150	3 4000
19 Marydel.....	151	295	.....	14	2	3	33	351	4 4400
20 Middletown.....	35	325	.....	7	1	30	212	10000	1 3000
21 Millington.....	10	177	.....	1	6	4	3	32	175 3 10000
22 Odessa.....	6	144	1	4	10	1	17	165	1 6000
23 Oxford.....	16	134	.....	1	4	1	1	26	135 1 3000
24 Piney Neck.....	5	40	1	2	74	1	18	116	1 1200
25 Pomona.....	7	82	.....	3	16	1	2	100	2 3500
26 Queenstown.....	59	169	1	2	6	3	35	210	3 6000
27 Rock Hall.....	39	100	1	.....	14	1	37	340	1 1000
28 Royal Oak.....	16	66	.....	1	8	2	15	104	2 3000
29 St. Michael's.....	75	403	.....	5	8	1	40	400	2 15000
30 Smyrna.....	9	427	1	15	13	2	48	316	1 20000
31 Smyrna Circuit.....	6	193	.....	25	2	3	40	260	3 7500
32 Still Pond.....	12	150	2	1	10	2	30	275	2 7500
33 Sudlersville.....	50	151	.....	2	11	3	28	181	3 9000
34 Talbot Ct.....	42	148	.....	2	21	2	38	194	2 2500
35 Tilghman's Island.....	54	126	.....	2	18	2	24	168	2 4000
36 Townsend.....	50	258	.....	5	14	1	2	30	270 3 5000
37 Trappe.....	104	203	1	1	10	3	27	178	3 5200
38 Tunis Mills.....	8	25	.....	.....	3	1	7	41	1 1000
39 Wye and Starr.....	68	142	.....	.....	3	3	34	153	3 3600
40 Worton.....	4	102	.....	.....	3	2	13	140	3 1500
Total	1886	7072	19	96	457	28	84	1166	8357 86 250000 32 \$59200

TABLES.
Easton District, No. 2.

	CHURCH PROPERTY.		SUNDAY SCHOOLS.													
	Paid for building and improving Churches and Parsonages.	Paid on Old Indebtedness on Church Property.	No. of Schools.	No. of Officers and Teachers.	No. of Scholars of all Grades.	Average Attendance.	No. of Members in the Home Department.	No. of Officers and Teachers who are Church Members or Probationers.	Scholars, Church Members or Probationers.	No. of members of Sunday School Converted during the year.	Current Expenses—Lesson Leaves, Books, etc.	No. Epworth Leagues.	No. Ep. L. Members.	Junior League.	Junior League Members.	
1	\$ 100	\$ 68	2	20	115	70	20	.....	12	50	1	22	1	46	
2	.....	.....	2	38	278	185	32	95	5	150	1	52	1	25	
3	172	.....	2	41	302	178	41	158	27	180	2	108	1	50	
4	.....	.....	2	32	190	100	32	110	12	76	2	105	1	50	
5	1900	.....	3	36	212	175	26	125	45	300	1	138	1	100	
6	.....	275	1	31	180	100	35	50	15	70	2	65	1	15	
7	.....	1250	1	36	170	130	31	.....	30	75	1	42	1	35	
8	60	275	4	35	175	130	15	.....	9	40	2	40	.....	.....
9	936	10	3	19	170	120	31	.....	9	90	1	25	.....	.....
10	40	70	4	36	376	170	35	140	12	89	1	75	1	50		
11	160	.....	1	15	104	44	13	20	12	37	1	30	1	30	
12	150	.....	2	21	102	67	21	.....	28	18	1	50	1	50	
13	200	.....	3	30	127	.....	30	.....	12	25	.....	.....	.....	.....
14	.....	100	1	29	231	106	27	100	52	65	1	85	1	45	
15	678	118	2	35	206	121	34	91	33	90	.....	.....	.....	.....
16	200	.....	4	45	330	90	55	45	6	30	.....	.....	.....	.....
17	150	650	3	36	400	285	32	168	24	65	2	90	1	32		
18	50	700	3	20	150	80	20	75	12	31	1	54	.....	.....
19	150	81	25	33	351	186	31	150	71	35	.....	.....	2	60	
20	200	.....	1	30	212	113	30	78	30	132	.....	.....	.....	.....
21	.....	150	3	32	175	125	60	40	75	8	125	1	150	1	25
22	68	48	1	17	165	95	23	17	105	2	60	1	57	1	69	
23	80	93	20	26	135	90	.....	26	.....	5	47	1	56	1	44
24	.....	140	100	1	18	116	75	13	.....	25	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
25	180	.....	2	27	100	75	.....	27	.....	4	23	2	80	.....	.....
26	.....	75	3	35	210	150	.....	35	30	35	3	110	.....	.....	.....
27	50	75	1	37	340	260	.....	37	50	35	100	1	40	1	45
28	100	51	2	15	104	58	.....	11	21	5	25	1	42	.....	.....
29	369	350	1	40	400	350	.....	40	350	50	300	1	212	1	90
30	1925	390	2	48	316	228	.....	46	.....	225	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
31	275	100	3	40	260	180	.....	40	.....	100	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
32	20	400	2	30	275	175	.....	30	40	10	125	1	75	.....	.....
33	.....	500	3	38	181	89	.....	28	84	29	75	1	44	1	31
34	215	.....	2	28	194	125	.....	32	77	24	59	2	112	.....	.....
35	190	.....	2	24	168	121	.....	24	40	26	45	1	58	.....	.....
36	1000	.....	2	30	270	145	25	30	.....	13	90	1	60	1	45
37	150	.....	3	27	178	85	.....	27	.....	50	1	45	.....	.....	.....
38	.....	.....	1	7	41	35	.....	7	8	10	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
39	150	270	3	34	153	118	.....	34	95	47	37	1	25	.....	.....
40	.....	.....	2	13	140	85	.....	13	71	1	20	1	35	.....	.....
Total	9793	4314	7782	84	1166	8357	5152	163	1127	2376	740	3224	40	2182	21	987

STATISTICAL
Salisbury District, No. 1.

Table with columns: Church Membership (No. of Probationers, No. of Full Members, No. of Local Preachers, No. of Deaths, No. of Child'n baptized, No. of Adults baptized, No. of Schools, No. of Officers and Teachers, No. of Scholars), SUNDAY SCHOOLS, CHURCH PROPERTY (No. of Churches, Probable Value, No. of Parsonages, Probable Value). Rows list 45 charges from Annessex to Whitesville.

TABLES.
Salisbury District, No. 2.

Table with columns: CHURCH PROPERTY (Paid for building and improving Churches and Parsonages, Paid on Old Indebtedness on Church Property, Present Indebtedness on Church Property), No. of Schools, No. of Officers and Teachers, No. of Scholars of all Grades, Average Attendance, No. of Members in the Home Department, No. of Officers and Teachers who are Church Members or Probationers, No. of Scholars, whether Attendants or Members in Home Dept who are Church Members or Probationers, No. of Members of Sunday School Converted during the year, Current Expenses—Lesson Leaves, Books, etc., No. Ep. Leagues, No. Ep. Lg. Mem., Junior Leagues, Junior League Members. Rows 1-45 and a Total row.

STATISTICAL
Wilmington District, No. 1.

Table with columns for Church Membership, Baptisms, Sunday Schools, and Church Property. Rows list various churches such as Bethel and Summit, Charlestown, Cherry Hill, etc., with numerical data for each category.

TABLES.
Wilmington District, No. 2.

Table with columns for Church Property, Sunday Schools, and various financial and membership statistics. Rows list churches such as Bethel and Summit, Charlestown, Cherry Hill, etc., with numerical data for each category.

STATISTICAL
Wilmington District, No. 3.

Table with columns: NAME OF CHARGE, NAME OF PASTOR, PASTOR'S SUPPORT (CLAIMS: Salary, House Rent, Total; RECEIPTS: Salary, House Rent, Total; DEFICIENCIES), Support of Pr's & Elders (Amount Apportioned, Amount Paid), and Support of B'hops (Amount Apportioned, Amount Paid). Rows list 46 churches and their respective financial data.

TABLES.
Wilmington District, No. 4.

Table with columns: Total Support: Pastors, Pre-siding Elders, and B'hops; U'R'N'T EXP'N'S (Conference Claimants, Church Sexton, Light, Fuel, etc., Sunday School: Lesson Leaves, Books, etc.); BENEVOLENT COLLECTIONS (MISSIONS: (a) Church, (b) Sunday School, Total; Board of Church Extension, Sunday School Union, Tract Society, Freedmen's Aid and Southern Education Society, Conference Academy, (c) Children's Fund, American Bible Society, Woman's Foreign Missionary Society, Woman's Home Missionary Society, Conference Education Soc'y, Domestic Missions, Phila. Hospital, General Conference Exp.). Rows list 46 churches and their respective financial data.

Summary of Statistics for 1900.

	THIS YEAR.	INCREASE.	DECREASE.
1 Church Membership.			
Probationers	5,829	2,089	...
Full Members	37,117	...	5
Deaths	483	...	58
2 Sunday Schools.			
Number of Schools	397	1	...
Number of Officers and Teachers	5,881	15	...
Number of Scholars	44,843	1,595	...
3 Church Property.			
Number of Churches	396	...	...
Probable Value	1,590,120	48,650	...
Number of Parsonages	145	2	...
Probable Value	268,750	3,100	...
Paid for Building and Improving Churches and Parsonages	52,045	7,114	...
Paid on Old Indebtedness Church Property	33,697	12,305	...
Present Indebtedness Church Property.	106,532	...	18,545
4 Ministerial Support.			
Paid Pastors and House Rent	139,839	5,170	...
Deficiency	1,729	...	2,552
Paid Presiding Elders	7,379	225	...
Paid Episcopal Fund	1,474	49	...
Paid Conference Claimants (collections only)	5,920	195	...
5 Benevolent Collections.			
Missions	24,243	896	...
Church Extension	1,797	71	...
Sunday School Union	417	21	...
Tract Society	400	10	...
Freedman's Aid and Southern Education Society	1,179	54	...
Conference Academy	2,048	101	...
Children's Fund	879	...	76
American Bible Society	524	...	77
Woman's Foreign Missionary Society	1,926	155	...
Woman's Home Missionary Society	1,987	615	...
Conference Education Society	447	104	...
Domestic Missions	905	112	...
Philadelphia Hospital	136	41	...
General Conference Expenses	816	428	...
6 Epworth League.			
Number of Leagues	166	...	...
Number of Members	9,068	...	297
Number of Junior Leagues	82	12	...
Number of Junior League Members	3,998	1,009	...

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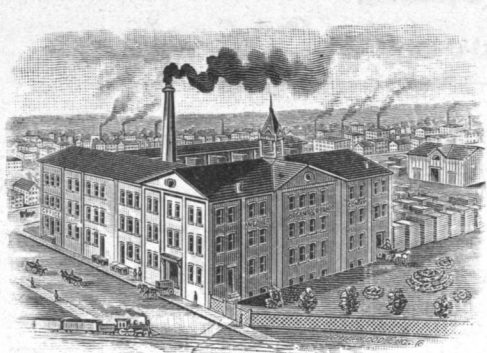
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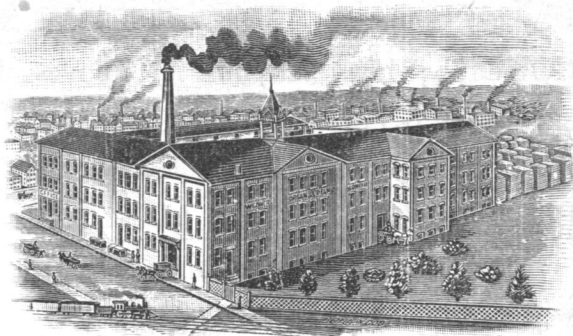
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OF THE

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IN ACCOUNT WITH ALFRED G. COX, TREASURER.

WILMINGTON, DEL., MARCH 21, 1900.

Dover District.

Beckwith	W. P. Taylor	\$ 75
Bridgeville	W. G. Koons	116
Burrsville	T. N. Given	65
Cambridge	E. C. Macnichol	235
Camden	C. F. Sheppard	100
Cannon	J. W. Fogle	150
Canterbury	E. C. Wright	73
Church Creek	J. W. Prettyman	62
Crapo	J. W. Gray	200
Denton	J. S. Wickline	150
Dover, Wesley	Alfred Smith	500
Dover, Armory	Frederick Spencer	30
East New Market	C. W. Smith	65
Ellendale	J. M. Mitchell	55
Elliott's Island	H. B. Kelso	50
Farmington	I. G. Fosnocht	100
Federalsburg	J. M. Lindale	140
Felton	T. C. Smoot	100
Frederica	Z. H. Webster	175

Galeston	J. L. Johnson	\$ 100
Georgetown	Adam Stengte	250
Georgetown Circuit	J. H. Wilson	60
Greenwood	C. H. Williams	140
Harrington	W. A. Wise	140
Hooper's Island	T. S. Barrett	45
Houston	G. P. Smith	80
Hurlock	Albert Chandler	106
Lakesville	J. A. Buckson	50
Leipsic	W. E. Wright	20
Lewes	W. L. White	290
Lincoln	V. E. Hills	65
Little Creek	Howard David	25
Magnolia	J. D. Kemp	100
Milford	L. E. Barrett	475
Milton	W. J. DuHadway	140
Nassau	J. P. Outten	100
Preston	O. S. Walton	35
Salem	H. E. Truitt	36
Seaford	R. K. Stevenson	195
Vienna	J. T. VanBurkalow	53
Williamsburg	Harry Taylor	75
Williston	T. F. Beauchamp	140
Wyoming	J. E. Graham	75
Zoar	J. E. Gallagher	50

Easton District.

Bayside	A. L. Gray	\$ 30
Cecilton	J. A. Arters	200
Centreville	E. C. Atkins	276
Cheswold	Edwin Gardner	135
Chestertown	E. C. Sunfield	235
Church Hill	J. T. Richardson	77
Clayton	O. W. DeVenish	50
Cordova	W. S. H. Williams	75
Crumpton	F. E. Bloxton	80
Easton	R. H. Adams	250
Fairlee	J. M. Arters	40
Galena	A. P. Prettyman	135
Golts	Daniel Wilson	35
Greenshoro	Aloycius Green	140
Hillsboro	T. A. H. O'Brien	175
Ingleside	A. C. Jones	50
Kent Island	S. P. Shipman	103
Kenton	G. R. Ellis	80
Marydel	E. R. Sidell	140
Middletown	E. W. Caswell	460

Millington	D. F. Waddell	\$ 80
Odessa	W. O. Hurst	135
Oxford	T. B. Cooper	75
Piney Neck	C. K. Morris	25
Pomona	J. R. Cannon	70
Queenstown	W. C. Poole	80
Rock Hall	W. B. Guthrie	75
Royal Oak	F. E. McKinsey	40
St. Michael's	J. H. Beauchamp	253
Smyrna	C. A. Hill	565
Smyrna Circuit	L. W. Layfield	90
Still Pond	E. P. Roberts	150
Sudlersville	Robert Roe	115
Talbot Circuit	J. W. Talley	70
Tilghman's Island	W. W. Chaires	75
Townsend	G. P. Jones	130
Trappe	T. F. Tabler	84
Tunis' Mills	W. C. Benson	12
Wye and Starr	W. H. Kenney	60
Worton	Clarence Jones	45

Salisbury District.

Annamessex	W. O. Bennett	\$ 65
Asbury	G. G. Senser	330
Berlin	H. G. Budd	100
Bethel	J. M. Collins	70
Bishopville	W. R. Hirons	60
Cape Charles	T. R. VanDyke	85
Chincoteague	C. W. Strickland	80
Crisfield	C. T. Wyatt	290
Delmar	W. W. Sharp	220
Deal's Island	G. W. Bounds	260
Fairmount	L. P. Corkran	400
Frankford	F. F. Carpenter	150
Fruitland	W. E. Matthews	61
Girdletree	H. C. Turner	160
Gumboro	D. J. Givan	110
Hallwood	J. S. Bozman	13
Holland's Island	Baynard Wheatly	115
Laurel	G. W. Woodall	210
Mardela Springs	W. F. Atkinson	20
Marion	J. F. Anderson	40
Millsboro	J. A. Brewington	75
Mt. Pleasant	R. W. Todd	60
Mt. Vernon	J. D. Reese	115
Nanticoke	E. H. Nelson	200
Newark	F. X. Moore	60

Onancock	Asbury Burke	\$ 160
Parksley	L. B. Kirby	32
Parsonsbury	G. E. Wood	100
Pocomoke City	F. C. McSorley	108
Pocomoke Circuit	W. G. Strickland	40
Powellville	D. H. Willis	50
Princess Anne	G. T. Alderson	100
Quantico	W. R. Gwinn	85
Roxana	F. J. Cochran	100
St. Peter's	G. L. Hardesty	270
Salisbury	C. W. Prettyman	500
Selbyville	F. N. Faulkner	70
Sharptown	E. H. Miller	70
Smith's Island	D. F. McFaul	245
Snow Hill	S. M. Morgan	175
Somerset	G. R. Neese	125
Stockton	G. W. Hastings	160
Tangier	C. P. Swain	400
Westover	W. N. Conway	20
Whitesville	H. S. Dulany	180

Wilmington District.

Bethel and Summit	G. S. Conaway	\$ 65
Charlestown	W. H. S. Loller	65
Cherry Hill	J. H. Geoghegan	120
Chesapeake City	L. E. Poole	70
Chester	G. W. Burke	115
Christiana	W. R. McFarlane	50
Claymont	G. R. Tompkins	30
Colora	T. B. Hunter	35
Delaware City	H. S. Thompson	100
Ebenezer	W. T. Hammond	50
Elk Neck	W. E. Greenfield	40
Elkton	T. E. Terry	300
Hockessin	E. N. Cantwell	35
Hopewell and Asbury	G. W. Bowman	79
Marshallton and Stanton	T. H. Harding	80
Mt. Lebanon	E. H. Dashiell	55
Mt. Pleasant and Union	E. H. Derrickson	120
Newark and Wesley	W. P. Compton	155
New Castle	R. I. Watkins	130
Newport	W. E. Avery	140
Northeast	G. W. Townsend	140
Perryville	G. W. Dawson	55
Port Deposit	A. S. Mowbray	200
Port Penn	Harry Mitchell	15

Red Lion and Glasgow	J. T. Prouse	\$ 53
Rising Sun	H. A. G. Westerfield	140
St. George's	E. H. Collins	65
St. John's	T. S. Holt	65
Wilmington:—		
Asbury	James Crowe	625
Brandywine and Edgemoor	J. W. Easley	165
Cookman	J. W. Jones	40
Eastlake	Moses Bullock	15
Elsmere	John France	10
Epworth	F. B. Short	50
Grace	Henry Baker	1505
Harrison Street	R. T. Coursey	305
Kingswood	E. S. Mace	40
Madeley	V. P. Northrup	75
Mount Salem	J. P. Otis	380
St. Paul's	W. L. S. Murray	700
Scott	F. P. Harris	200
Silverbrook	E. E. White	50
Swedish Mission	Friedolph Soderman	30
Union	C. A. Grise	600
Wesley	W. F. Dawson	75
Zion	W. R. Mowbray	200

Recapitulation.

DOVER DISTRICT.

Raised last year	\$ 5,071
Raised this year	5,286
Increase	\$ 215

EASTON DISTRICT.

Raised last year	\$ 4,829
Raised this year	4,995
Increase	\$ 166

SALISBURY DISTRICT.

Raised last year	\$ 6,064
Raised this year	6,339
Increase	\$ 275

WILMINGTON DISTRICT.

Raised last year	\$ 7,383
Raised this year	7,623
Increase	\$ 240

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GENERAL SUMMARY.

Raised last year in all districts	\$23,347
Raised this year in all districts	24,243
Increase	\$ 896

MISSIONARY STATISTICS.

Dover District.

Beckwith and Spedden—W. P. Taylor, Pastor.

Churches	\$ 60
Sunday Schools	15
Total	\$ 75

Bridgeville—W. G. Koons, Pastor.

Sunday School	\$ 40
Church	76
Total	\$116

Burrsville—Thomas N. Given, Pastor.

Churches	\$ 65
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Cambridge—E. C. Macnichol, Pastor.

Church	\$ 75
Sunday School	160
Total	235

Camden—Chas. F. Sheppard, Pastor.

Camden Church	\$ 20
Camden Sunday School	40
Lebanon Church	10
Lebanon Sunday School	10
St. Jones' Church	10
St. Jones' Sunday School	10
Total	\$100

Canterbury—E. C. Wright, Pastor.

Canterbury Church	\$ 25
Canterbury Sunday School	9
Viola Church	13
Woodside Church	13
Willis Church	13
Total	\$ 73

Church Creek—J. W. Prettyman, Pastor.

Church Creek Church	\$ 12
Church Creek Sunday School	13
Epworth Leagues	10

Taylor's Island Church	\$ 7
Taylor's Island Sunday School	5
Madison Church	7
Trinity Church	5
Trinity Sunday School	3
Total	\$ 62

Crapo—J. W. Gray, Pastor.

St. Thomas' Church	\$ 60
St. Thomas' Sunday School	15
Ebenezer Church	20
Ebenezer Sunday School	12
Zion Church	22
Zion Sunday School	10
Bethany Church	26
Bethany Sunday School	10
Wesley Church	20
Wesley Sunday School	5
Total	\$200

Denton—J. S. Wickline, Pastor.

Denton Church	\$109
Denton Sunday School	16
Central Church	12
Central Sunday School	8
Harris Church	5
Total	\$150

Dover, Armory—Frederic Spencer, Pastor.

Church	\$ 20
Sunday School	10
Total	\$ 30

Dover, Wesley—Alfred Smith, Pastor.

Church	\$125
Sunday School	375
Total	\$500

Ellendale—J. M. Mitchell, Pastor.

Ellendale	\$ 30
New Market	13
Union	12
Total	\$ 55

Elliott's Island—Hugh B. Kelso, Pastor.

Church	\$ 24
Sunday School	16

Epworth Leagues	\$ 10
Total	50

Farmington—I. G. Fosnacht, Pastor.

Farmington Church	\$ 26
Farmington Sunday School	30
Staytonsville Church	8
Staytonsville Sunday School	2
Todd's Church	15
Todd's Sunday School	5
Prospect Church	11
Prospect Sunday School	3
Total	\$100

Federalsburg—J. M. Lindale, Pastor.

Chestnut Grove Sunday School	\$ 9
Chestnut Grove Church	2 ¹¹
Federalsburg Sunday School	57
Federalsburg Church	50
Wm. J. Mowbray and wife	15 ¹²²
Nichol's	3
Cash	4 ⁷
Total	\$140

Felton—T. C. Smoot, Pastor.

Felton Church	\$ 38
Felton Sunday School	41
Masten's Sunday School	13
Manship Church	2
Manship Sunday School	6
Total	\$100

Frederica—Zack H. Webster, Pastor.

Frederica Church	\$ 40
Frederica Sunday School	110
Milford Neck Church	22
Nilford Neck Sunday School	3
Total	\$175

Galestown—John L. Johnson, Pastor.

Galestown Church	\$ 15
Galestown Sunday School	15
Wesley Church	15
Wesley Sunday School	20
Cokesbury Church	15
Cokesbury Sunday School	10
Woodland Church	5

Woodland Sunday School	\$ 5
Total	\$100

Georgetown—A. Stengle, Pastor.

Church	\$ 33
Sabbath School	201
Epworth League	16
Total	\$250

Georgetown Circuit—J. H. Wilson, Pastor.

Churches	\$ 50
Sunday School	10
Total	\$ 60

Greenwood—C. H. Williams, Pastor.

Greenwood Church	\$ 42
Greenwood Sunday School	11
Junior League	2
Trinity Church	45
Trinity School	12
St. Johnstown Church and School	10
Chaplains Church and School	18
Total	\$140

Harrington—W. A. Wise, Pastor.

Church	\$ 35
Sunday School	105
Total	\$140

Houston—G. P. Smith, Pastor.

Houston Sunday School	\$ 12
Houston Church	21
Millwood Sunday School	12
Millwood Church	12
Law's Sunday School	5
Law's Church	12
Williamsville Sunday School	4
Williamsville Church	2
Total	\$ 80

Hooper's Island—T. S. Barrett, Pastor.

Mt. Zion Church	\$ 10
Mt. Zion Sunday School	5
Marvil's Chapel	7
Marvil's Sunday School	3
Hopkins' Chapel	2
Hopkins' Sunday School	1
Hooper's Memorial Church	10

Hooper's Memorial Sunday School	\$ 7
Total	\$ 45
Hurlock—Albert Chandler, Pastor.	
Churches	\$ 46
Sunday Schools	60
Total	\$106
Lakesville—J. A. Buckson, Pastor.	
Churches	\$ 50
Leipscic—W. E. Wright, Pastor.	
Leipscic and Raymond Churches and Schools	\$ 20
Lewes—W. L. White, Pastor.	
Church and Sunday School	\$290
Lincoln—V. E. Hills, Pastor.	
Lincoln Church	\$ 20
Sunday School	7
Cedar Neck	19
Slaughter Neck	19
Total	\$ 65
Magnolia—John D. Kemp, Pastor.	
Churches and Sunday Schools	\$100
Milford—Louis E. Barrett, Pastor.	
Avenue Sunday School	\$300
Chapel Sunday School	21
Church	154
Total	\$475
Milton—W. J. DuHadway, Pastor.	
Sunday School	114
Church	26
Total	140
Nassau—J. P. Outten, Pastor.	
Churches	\$ 50
Sunday Schools	50
Total	\$100
Preston—O. S. Walton, Pastor.	
Church	\$ 20
Sunday School	15
Total	\$ 35
Salem—Horace E. Truitt, Pastor.	
Salem Sunday School	\$ 1
Linkwood Sunday School	11

Thompson's Station	10
Churches	14
Total	\$ 36
Seaford—R. K. Stephenson, Pastor.	
Seaford Church	\$ 68
Seaford Sunday School	108
Blades Sunday School	19
Total	\$195
Vienna—J. T. VanBurkalow, Pastor.	
Churches	\$ 25
Sunday School	28
Total	\$ 53
Williamsburg—Harry Taylor, Pastor.	
Williamsburg Church	\$ 4
Williamsburg Sunday School	31
Hynson Church	15
Hynson Sunday School	5
Friendship Church	5
Friendship Sunday School	15
Total	\$ 75
Williston—T. F. Beauchamp, Pastor.	
Williston	\$ 25
Harmony	32
Concord	50
Bloomery	33
Total	\$140
Wyoming—J. E. Graham, Pastor.	
Wyoming Sunday School	\$ 10
Wyoming Church	20
Union School	10
Union Church	5
Willow Grove Sunday School	10
Willow Grove Church	5
Asbury Church	5
Asbury Sunday School	10
Total	\$ 75
Zoar—J. E. Gallagher, Pastor.	
Sunday School	\$ 10
Churches	40
Total	\$ 50

Easton District.

Cecilton—J. A. Arters, Pastor.

Churches	\$ 29
Zion Sunday School	136
St. Paul's Sunday School	35
Total	\$200

Centreville—E. C. Atkins, Pastor.

Centreville Church	\$ 93
Centreville Sunday School	150
Ebenezer Church	28
Ebenezer Sunday School	5
Junior Epworth League	15
Total	\$291

Cheswold and Bethel—Edwin Gardner, Pastor.

Cheswold School	\$ 90
Bethel School	45
Total	\$135

Chestertown—E. C. Sunfield, Pastor.

Church	\$ 72
Sunday School	158
Total	\$235

Church Hill—James T. Richardson, Pastor.

Churches and Sunday Schools	77
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Clayton—O. W. DeVenish, Pastor.

Church	10
School	40
Total	\$ 50

Cordova—W. S. H. Williams, Pastor.

Cordova Church	\$ 20
Cordova Sunday School	5
King's Creek Church	30
King's Creek Sunday School	10
Chapel Church	10
Total	\$ 75

Crumpton—F. E. Bloxton, Pastor.

Union Sunday School	\$ 30
Crumpton Sunday School	30
Double Creek Sunday School	20
Total	\$ 80

Easton—R. H. Adams, Pastor.

Congregation	\$ 70
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Sunday School	180
Total	\$250

Fairlee—John M. Arters, Pastor.

Sunday School	\$ 40
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Galena—A. P. Prettyman, Pastor.

Churches	\$105
Sunday Schools	30
Total	\$135

Golt's—Daniel Wilson, Pastor.

Church and School	\$ 35
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Hillsboro—T. A. H. O'Brien, Pastor.

Hillsboro Church	\$ 19
Hillsboro School	69
Ridgeley Church	69
Ridgeley School	18
Total	\$175

Ingleside—A. C. Jones, Pastor.

Churches and Schools	\$ 50
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Kenton—George R. Ellis, Pastor.

Churches and Schools	\$ 80
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Kent Island—S. P. Shipman, Pastor.

Churches and Sunday Schools	\$103
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Marydel—Elmer R. Sidell, Pastor.

Marydel Church	\$ 17
Marydel Sunday School	16
Templeville Church	37
Templeville Sunday School	15
Hartley Church	20
Hartley Sunday School	20
Thomas Chapel Church	15
Total	\$140

Middletown—E. W. Caswell, Pastor.

Sunday School	\$360
Church	100
Total	\$460

Millington—D. F. Waddell, Pastor.

Sunday Schools	\$ 75
Churches	5
Total	\$ 80

Odessa—Wm. Oscar Hurst, Pastor.

Church	\$ 28
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School	100
League	5
Junior League	2
Total	\$135

Oxford—T. B. Cooper, Pastor.

Sunday School	\$ 46
Church	29
Total	\$ 75

Piney Neck—C. K. Morris, Pastor.

Piney Neck Sunday School	\$ 25
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Pomona—John R. Cannon, Pastor.

Sunday School	\$ 60
Church	10
Total	\$ 70

Queenstown—W. C. Poole, Pastor.

Queenstown Church and Sunday School	\$ 26
Winchester Church and Sunday School	26
Perry's Corner Church and Sunday School	28
Total	\$ 80

Rock Hall—W. B. Guthrie, Pastor.

Church	\$ 21
Sunday School	54
Total	\$ 75

Royal Oak—F. E. McKinsey, Pastor.

Royal Oak Church	\$ 7
Royal Oak Sunday School	13
Ferry Neck Church	12
Ferry Neck Sunday School	8
Total	\$ 40

Smyrna—Charles A. Hill, Pastor.

Christian Endeavor	\$ 25
Smyrna Landing School	6
Asbury Sunday School	282
Church	252
Total	\$565

Smyrna Circuit—L. W. Layfield, Pastor.

Friendship Church	\$ 21
Friendship School	43
Severson's Church	5
Severson's School	5

Jerman Chapel	16
Total	\$ 90

Still Pond—E. P. Roberts, Pastor.

Sunday School and Churches	\$150
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St. Michael's—J. H. Beauchamp, Pastor.

Sunday School	\$242
Church	11

Total	\$253
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Sudlersville—Robert Roe, Pastor.

Sudlersville Sunday School	\$ 60
Sudlersville Church	25
Dudley Sunday School	6
Dudley Church	14
Barclay Sunday School	4
Barclay Church	6

Total	\$115
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Talbot—James W. Talley, Pastor.

Broad Creek Sunday School	\$ 44
Chatham Church	11
Chatham Sunday School	8
Epworth League	7

Total	\$ 70
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Tilghman Island—W. W. Chaires, Pastor.

From Churches	\$ 31
From Sunday Schools	44

Total	\$ 75
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Townsend—G. P. Jones, Pastor.

Emanuel Church	\$ 40
Emanuel Sunday School	70
Blackbird Sunday School	10
Union Church	10

Total	\$130
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Trappe—T. F. Tabler, Pastor.

Trappe Church	\$ 34
Trappe Sunday School	12
Landing Neck Church	14
Landing Neck Sunday School	3
Bolingbroke Church	8
Bolingbroke Sunday School	4
For native preacher in India	9

Total	\$ 84
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Tunis Mills—N. Claude Benson, Pastor.	
Sunday School	\$ 12
Worton—C. N. Jones, Pastor.	
Church and Sunday School	\$ 45
Wye and Starr—W. H. Kenny, Pastor.	
Church	\$ 50
Sunday School	10
Total	\$ 60

Salisbury District.

Annamessex—W. O. Bennet, Pastor.	
St. Peter's Church	\$ 34
St. Peter's School	24
Rehoboth Church	5
Rehoboth School	2
Total	\$ 60

Berlin—Henry G. Budd, Pastor.	
Church	\$ 40
Sunday School	60
Total	\$100

Bethel—J. M. Collins, Pastor.	
Bethel Church	\$ 58
Bethel Sunday School	5
Mt. Zion Church	5
Mt. Zion Sunday School	2
Total	\$ 70

Bishopville—William R. Hiron, Pastor.	
Sunday School	\$ 38
Church	22
Total	\$ 60

Cape Charles—Thomas R. VanDyke, Pastor.	
Sunday School	\$ 85

Chincoteague—C. W. Strickland, Pastor.	
Christ Church	\$ 10
Christ Sunday School	48
Goodwill Sunday School	22
Total	\$ 80

Crisfield—C. T. Wyatt, Pastor.	
Church	\$ 35
Sunday School	255
Total	\$290

Deal's Island—Geo. W. Bounds, Pastor.	
St. John's Church	\$143
St. John's Sunday School	90
Wenona Church	20
John W. Wilson's Estate	7
Total	\$260

Delmar—W. W. Sharp, Pastor.	
Sunday School	\$105
Church	115
Total	\$220

Fairmount—L. P. Corkran, Pastor.	
Christ Sunday School	\$225
Christ Church	50
Union Sunday School	75
Union Church	25
Fishing Island Sunday School	10
Epworth League	10
Junior League	5
Total	\$400

Frankford—F. F. Carpenter, Pastor.	
Frankford	\$ 60
St. George's	80
Houston	10
Total	\$150

Fruitland—W. E. Matthews, Pastor.	
Fruitland Church	\$ 33
Fruitland Sunday School	8
Siloam Church	10
Siloam Sunday School	5
Total	\$ 56

Girdle Tree—H. Clay Turner, Pastor.	
Churches and Schools	\$160

Laurel—G. W. Woodall, Pastor.	
Church and School	\$210

Marion—J. F. Anderson, Pastor.	
Quindocqua Sunday School	\$ 19
Quindocqua	4
Grace Methodist Episcopal Anniversary	17
Total	\$ 40

Millsboro—J. A. Brewington, Pastor.	
Millsboro Sunday School	\$ 5
Millsboro Church	15

Dagsboro Sunday School	15
Dagsboro Church	13
Unity Church	16
Central Church	11
Total	\$ 75
Mt. Pleasant—Robert W. Todd, Pastor.	
Sunday Schools	\$ 17
Churches	43
Total	\$ 60
Mt. Vernon—J. D. Reese, Pastor.	
Sunday Schools	\$ 25
Churches	90
Total	\$115
Nanticoke—Edwin H. Nelson, Pastor.	
Churches and Schools	\$200
Newark—F. X. Moore, Pastor.	
Newark Church and Sunday School	\$ 28
Ironshire Church and Sunday School	20
Wesley Church and Sunday School	12
Total	\$ 60
Onancock—A. Burke, Pastor.	
Churches and Schools	\$160
Parksley—L. B. Kirby, Pastor.	
Crowsontown Church and School	\$27
Parksley Church and School	5
Total	\$ 32
Parsonsbury—George Emmet Wood, Pastor.	
Jerusalem Church	\$ 11
Jerusalem Sunday School	24
Zion Church	10
Zion Sunday School	11
Pittsville Church	5
Pittsville Sunday School	10
Bethel Sunday School	3
Pastor and family	20
Total	\$100
Pocomoke City—F. C. MacSorley, Pastor.	
Church	\$ 8
Sunday School	100
Total	\$108
Pocomoke Circuit—W. G. Strickland, Pastor.	
Cokesbury Church and Sunday School	\$ 14

Emmanuel Church and Sunday School	15
Holland's Church and School	7
Williams' Church	4
Total	\$ 40
Powellville—D. H. Willis, Pastor.	
Churches	\$ 35
Sunday Schools	15
Total	\$ 50
Princess Anne—G. T. Alderson, Pastor.	
Sunday School	\$ 61
Church	39
Total	\$100
Quantico—W. R. Gwinn, Pastor.	
Churches	\$ 25
Sunday Schools	60
Total	\$ 85
Roxana—F. J. Cochran, Pastor.	
Roxana Church	\$ 25
Roxana Sunday School	10
Mariner's Bethel Church	20
Mariner's Bethel Sunday School	30
Sound Church	5
Sound Sunday School	5
Total	\$100
Salisbury—C. W. Prettyman, Pastor.	
Church	\$ 65
Sunday School	435
Total	\$500
Sharptown—E. H. Miller, Pastor.	
Church	\$ 10
Sunday School	60
Total	\$ 70
Smith's Island—D. F. McFaul, Pastor.	
Corinth	\$100
Union	88
Calvary	57
Total	\$245
Snow Hill—S. M. Morgan, Pastor.	
Sunday School	\$130
Church	45
Total	\$175

Somerset—G. R. Neese, Pastor.	
Rock Creek Church	\$ 50
Rock Creek Sunday School	35
Dame's Quarter Church	30
Dame's Quarter Sunday School	10
Total	\$125

St. Peter's—G. L. Hardesty, Pastor.	
St. Peter's School	\$100
St. Peter's Church	70
St. Stephen's School	50
St. Stephen's Church	20
Bethel School	25
Cash	5
Total	\$270

Stockton—G. W. Hastings, Pastor.	
Franklin City Sunday School	\$ 85
Stockton	20
Remson	9
Kledj Grange	9
Total	\$113

Tangier—C. P. Swain, Pastor.	
Church	\$ 70
Sunday School No. 1	276
Sunday School No. 2	54
Total	\$400

Westover—W. N. Conway, Pastor.	
Churches	\$ 20

Whitesville—Henry S. Dulany, Pastor.	
Churches	\$141
Line Sunday School	16
Nelson's Sunday School	11
Jones' Sunday School	9
Bethesda Sunday School	3
Total	\$180

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Asbury—James Crowe, Pastor.	
Church	\$570
Sunday School	155
Total	\$625
Bethel and Summit—G. S. Conaway, Pastor.	
Bethel Church	\$ 30

Bethel Sunday School	10
Summit Church	15
Summit Sunday School	10
Total	\$ 65

Brandywine—J. W. Easley, Pastor.	
Sunday Schools	\$137
Edgemoor	12
Church	16
Total	\$165

Charlestown—W. H. S. Loller, Pastor.	
Church	\$ 45
Sunday School	20
Total	\$ 65

Cherry Hill—J. H. Geoghegan, Pastor.	
Cherry Hill Church	\$ 48
Cherry Hill Sunday School	57
Big Elk Chapel	15
Total	\$120

Chesapeake City—L. E. Pool, Pastor.	
Church	\$ 30
Sunday School	40
Total	\$ 70

Chester-Bethel—Geo. W. Burke, Pastor.	
Church	\$ 13
Sunday School	102
Total	\$115

Christiana—Wm. R. McFarlane, Pastor.	
Christiana Sunday School	\$ 10
Salem Sunday School	9
Churches	31
Total	\$ 50

Claymont—C. R. Tompkins, Pastor.	
Church and Sunday School	\$ 30
Colora—T. B. Hunter, Pastor.	
Sunday School	\$ 25
Church	10
Total	\$ 35

Cookman—J. Wheelington Jones, Pastor.	
Church and School	\$ 40
Delaware City—H. S. Thomson, Pastor.	
Church	\$ 55

Sunday School	45
Total	\$100
East Lake—Moses Bullock, Pastor.	
Sunday School	\$ 15
Ebenezer—W. T. Hammond, Pastor.	
Sunday School	\$ 50
Elk Neck—W. Ernest Greenfield, Pastor.	
Hart's Church	\$ 20
Wesley Chapel	16
Wesley Chapel Sunday School	4
Total	\$ 40
Elkton—Thomas E. Terry, Pastor.	
Elkton Sunday School	\$253
Childs Sunday School	32
Crouch's Sunday School	10
Jones' Sunday School	5
Total	\$300
Elsmere—John France, Pastor.	
Church	\$ 5
Sunday School	5
Total	\$ 10
Epworth—F. Burgette Short, Pastor.	
Sunday School	\$ 30
Church	20
Total	\$ 50
Harrison Street—R. T. Coursey, Pastor.	
Church	\$ 85
Sunday School	220
Total	\$303
Hockessin—E. N. Cantwell, Pastor.	
Sunday School	\$ 10
Church	25
Total	\$ 35
Hopewell and Asbury—George W. Bowman, Pastor.	
Hopewell Sunday School	\$ 55
Asbury Sunday School	15
Total	\$ 70
Kingswood—Edgar S. Mace, Pastor.	
Church	\$ 8
Sunday School	32
Total	\$ 40

Madeley—V. P. Northrup, Pastor.	
Church	\$ 21
Sunday School	54
Total	\$ 75
Marshallton and Stanton—T. H. Harding, Pastor.	
Stanton Sunday School	\$ 40
Marshallton Sunday School	40
Total	\$ 80
Mt. Lebanon—E. H. Dashiell, Pastor.	
Church	\$ 43
Sunday School	12
Total	\$ 55
Mt. Pleasant and Union—E. H. Derrickson, Pastor.	
Sunday Schools	\$120
Mt. Salem—J. P. Otis, Pastor.	
Mt. Salem Church	\$ 74
Mt. Salem Sunday School	154
Riddle Memorial Sunday School	152
Total	\$380
Newark and Wesley—W. P. Compton, Pastor.	
Newark Sunday School	\$123
Newark Church	9
Wesley Sunday School	19
Wesley Church	4
Total	\$155
New Castle—R. Irving Watkins, Pastor.	
Church	\$ 5
Sunday School	125
Total	\$130
Newport—W. E. Avery, Pastor.	
Sunday School	\$130
Church	10
Total	\$140
Northeast—George W. Townsend, Pastor.	
Sunday School	\$132
Church	8
Total	\$140
Perryville—G. W. Dawson, Pastor.	
Church	\$ 15
Sunday School	40
Total	\$ 55

Port Deposit, Md.—A. S. Mowbray, Pastor.	
Church	\$ 50
Sunday School	150
Total	\$200
Port Penn—J. Harry Mitchell, Pastor.	
Church	\$ 5
Sunday School	10
Total	\$ 15
Red Lion and Glasgow—James T. Prouse, Pastor.	
Red Lion Church	\$ 16
Red Lion Sunday School	25
Glasgow Church	8
Glasgow Sunday School	4
Total	\$ 53
Rising Sun and Sylmer—H. A. G. Westerfield, Pastor.	
Rising Sun Church	\$ 60
Rising Sun Sunday School	60
Sylmar Church	10
Sylmar Sunday School	10
Total	\$140
Scott—Frank P. Harris, Pastor.	
Church	\$ 67
Sunday School	135
Total	\$200
Silverbrook—E. E. White, Pastor.	
Sunday School	\$ 50
St. George's—Edward H. Collins, Pastor.	
Church	\$ 15
Sunday School	\$ 50
Total	\$ 65
St. John's—Thomas S. Holt, Pastor.	
Church	\$ 42
Sunday School	18
Epworth League	2
Junior League	3
Total	\$ 65
St. Paul's—W. L. S. Murray, Pastor.	
Church	\$318
Sunday School	350
Christian Endeavor Society	30
Junior Christian Endeavor Society	2
Total	\$700

Swedish Mission—Charles Cedarholm, Pastor.	
Church	\$ 20
Sunday School	10
Total	\$ 30
Union—C. A. Grise, Pastor.	
Church	\$150
Sunday School	450
Total	\$600
Wesley—W. F. Dawson, Pastor.	
Sunday School	\$ 65
Church	10
Total	\$ 75
Zion—W. S. Mowbray, Pastor.	
Churches	\$133
Zion School	10
Calvert School	20
Ebenezer School	27
Union School	10
Total	\$200

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