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RECORD OF SESSIONS.

No.	Date.	Place.	Bishop.	Secretary.
1	March 17, '89	Wilm'ton—Asbury	M. Simpson	S. L. Gracey.
2	" 16, '90	Port Deposit	E. S. Janes	S. L. Gracey.
3	" 8, '71	Dover	L. Scott	S. L. Gracey.
4	Feb'y 21, '72	Laurel	E. R. Ames	T. E. Martindale.
5	March 5, '73	Easton	L. Scott	T. E. Martindale.
6	" 4, '74	Salisbury	L. W. Wiley	T. E. Martindale.
7	" 17, '75	Smyrna	E. S. Janes	T. E. Martindale.
8	" 15, '76	Wilm'ton—Union	L. Scott	T. E. Martindale.
9	" 7, '77	Milford	E. R. Ames	T. E. Martindale.
10	" 13, '78	Chestertown	R. S. Foster	T. E. Martindale.
11	" 19, '79	New Castle	M. Simpson	T. E. Martindale.
12	" 17, '80	Dover	E. G. Andrews	T. E. Martindale.
13	" 16, '81	Lewes	Thos. Bowman	John D. Rigg.
14	" 8, '82	Middletown	J. F. Hurst	John D. Rigg.
15	" 7, '83	Cambridge	M. Simpson	John D. Rigg.
16	" 7, '84	Wilm'ton—Asbury	W. L. Harris	John D. Rigg.
17	" 12, '85	Snow Hill	S. M. Merrill	John D. Rigg.
18	" 4, '86	Elkton	W. F. Mallalieu	John D. Rigg.
19	" 17, '87	Crisfield	H. W. Warren	John D. Rigg.
20	" 7, '88	Wilm'ton—Union	C. D. Foss	John D. Rigg.
21	" 20, '89	Easton	R. S. Foster	John D. Rigg.
22	" 26, '90	Milford	Thos. Bowman	John D. Rigg.
23	" 19, '91	Centreville	C. H. Fowler	John D. Rigg.
24	" 16, '92	Wilm'ton—Grace	E. G. Andrews	A. S. Mowbray.
25	" 15, '93	Middletown	S. M. Merrill	A. S. Mowbray.
26	" 21, '94	Salisbury	J. H. Vincent	A. S. Mowbray.
27	" 20, '95	Smyrna	J. F. Hurst	A. S. Mowbray.
28	" 18, '96	Dover	H. W. Warren	A. S. Mowbray.
29	" 17, '97	Chestertown	J. M. Walden	A. S. Mowbray.
30	" 23, '98	Lewes	J. P. Newman	A. S. Mowbray.
31	" 22, '99	Cambridge	C. D. Foss	A. S. Mowbray.
32	" 21, '00	Wilm'ton—Epworth	E. G. Andrews	A. S. Mowbray.
33	" 20, '01	Wilmington—Grace	Daniel A. Goodsell	A. S. Mowbray.
34	" 19, '02	Crisfield	I. W. Joyce	A. S. Mowbray.
35	" 18, '03	Easton	Earl Cranston	A. S. Mowbray.
36	" 16, '04	Dover	J. M. Fitzgerald	A. S. Mowbray.
37	" 15, '05	Wilmington—Grace	D. A. Goodsell	W. A. Wise.
38	" 14, '06	Pocomoke City	C. C. McCabe	W. A. Wise
39	" 20, '07	Smyrna	J. F. Berry	W. A. Wise
40	" 18, '08	Wilmington—Asbury	D. A. Goodsell	W. A. Wise
41	" 17, '09	Milford	D. H. Moore	W. A. Wise
42	" 16, '10	Salisbury	J. W. Hamilton	W. A. Wise
43	" 15, '11	Wilmington—Asbury	T. B. Neely	W. A. Wise
44	" 13, '12	Wilmington—St. Paul's	L. B. Wilson	W. A. Wise
45	" 26, '13	Crisfield	J. F. Berry	W. A. Wise

GENERAL CONFERENCE DELEGATES.

1872.	J. B. Quigg, T. J. Thompson, Wesley Kenney, Charles Hill.	Reserves—
	J. D. Curtis, R. W. Todd.	
1876.	L. C. Matlack, W. E. England.	Reserves—J. B. Quigg, J. H. Caldwell.
1880.	L. C. Matlack, A. W. Milby, Charles Hill.	Reserves—J. H. Caldwell, R. W. Todd.
1884.	J. H. Caldwell, Charles Hill, J. B. Quigg.	Reserves—T. E. Martindale, J. A. B. Wilson.
1888.	Jacob Todd, J. A. B. Wilson, N. M. Brown.	Reserves—W. S. Robinson, John France.
1892.	W. L. S. Murray, Alfred Smith, R. H. Adams.	Reserves—T. E. Martindale, T. E. Perry.
1896.	Merritt Hulbert, L. E. Barrett, Alfred Smith, W. F. Corkran.	Reserves—W. E. Avery, V. S. Collins.
1900.	Robert Watt, T. E. Martindale, W. F. Corkran, C. S. Baker.	Reserves—A. S. Mowbray, J. D. C. Hanna.
1904.	A. S. Mowbray, W. F. Corkran, Adam Stengle, C. S. Baker.	Reserves—C. T. Wyatt, W. G. Koons.
1908.	A. S. Mowbray, Adam Stengle, W. G. Koons, S. M. Morgan.	Reserves—C. T. Wyatt, Robert Watt.
1912.	C. A. Hill, R. K. Stephenson, Robert Watt, G. P. Jones.	Reserves—E. L. Hoffecker, C. W. Prettyman, G. T. Alderson.

In Memoriam.

"They Rest From Their Labors And Their Works Do Follow Them."

ENTERED MINISTRY	NAME	TIME OF DEATH	PLACE OF DEATH	AGE	YEARS EFFECTIVE
1859	John E. Elliott.....	Nov. 8, 1868..	Snow Hill, Md.....	30	10
1836	Thos. J. Quigley.....	Oct. 19, 1870..	Laurel, Del.....	65	44
1850	Daniel Titlow.....	Feb. 7, 1871..	Philadelphia, Pa.....	48	4
1867	Amos A. Ewing.....	Jan. 19, 1872..	Cecil County, Md.....	30	4
1848	Alfred Cookman.....	Nov. 13, 1872..	Newark, N. J.....	43	23
1827	Jas. Augustus Massey..	July 9, 1871..	Royal Oak, Md.....	64	38
1859	James Brandreth.....	Oct. 3, 1872..	Frankford, Del.....	34	13
1825	T. J. Thompson.....	Nov. 29, 1874..	Wilmington, Del.....	71	49
1828	Robert E. Kemp.....	Mar. 6, 1875..	Greensboro, Md.....	73	32
1832	Wesley Kenney.....	June 24, 1875..	Smyrna, Del.....	70	42
1835	Henry Sutton.....	Mar. 23, 1876..	Philadelphia, Pa.....	68	23
1871	George A. Campbell.....	Sept. 7, 1876..	Frankford, Del.....	30	4
1862	John W. Weston.....	Apr. 23, 1877..	Wilmington, Del.....	38	15
1837	John D. Curtis.....	July 25, 1877..	Wilmington, Del.....	61	40
1845	David R. Thomas.....	Feb. 13, 1878..	Wilmington, Del.....	58	30
1870	Andrew J. Crozier.....	Jan. 21, 1879..	Wilmington, Del.....	41	7
1829	Joshua Humphriss.....	Jan. 23, 1879..	Salisbury, Md.....	78	41
1868	Francis M. Chatham.....	May 29, 1878..	Berlin, Md.....	41	8
1857	Edward G. Irwin.....	Mar. 12, 1879..	Wilmington, Del.....	50	21
1848	John Hough.....	Mar. 27, 1879..	Near Trenton, N. J.....	58	31
1857	Thomas J. Williams.....	Mar. 29, 1879..	New Castle, Del.....	53	21
1870	Wm. I. Bain.....	May 13, 1880..	Pocomoke City, Md.....	36	10
1832	Wm. Urle.....	Nov. 13, 1880..	Smyrna, Del.....	67	43
1860	Thomas F. Plummer.....	Feb. 2, 1881..	Wilmington, Del.....	44	8
1833	Elijah Miller.....	Apr. 15, 1881..	Sudlersville, Md.....	71	49
1836	John W. Pierson.....	May 6, 1881..	Wilmington, Del.....	67	44
1880	Francis R. Quigley.....	Aug. 19, 1881..	Hopewell, Md.....	27	2
1873	Thos. J. Prettyman.....	Feb. 27, 1882..	Newark, Md.....	36	9
1865	Benj. W. Chase.....	Dec. 11, 1882..	Seaford, Del.....	48	17
1837	Lucius C. Matlack.....	June 24, 1883..	Cambridge, Md.....	67	46
1834	I. T. Cooper.....	Apr. 12, 1884..	Camden, Del.....	78	26
1829	Henry Colclazer.....	Dec. 18, 1884..	Philadelphia, Pa.....	75	55
1833	John L. Taft.....	May 30, 1884..	Norristown, Pa.....	72	41
1869	John Shilling.....	July 22, 1884..	Wilmington, Del.....	52	15
1842	Arthur W. Milby.....	June 13, 1886..	Harrington, Del.....	71	44
1840	Elon J. Way.....	July 5, 1886..	Baltimore, Md.....	75	26
1839	Valentine Gray.....	Jan. 21, 1887..	Gap, Pa.....	72	42
1881	Isaiah D. Johnson.....	Mar. 4, 1887..	Bridgeville, Del.....	33	6
1859	Wm. J. O'Neil.....	Mar. 9, 1887..	Church Hill, Md.....	55	28
1854	Jos. Dare.....	Oct. 22, 1887..	Newark, Del.....	56	32
1836	Frank M. Morgan.....	Feb. 11, 1889..	Philadelphia, Pa.....	34	3
1849	William Merrill.....	Oct. 23, 1889..	Upper Fairm't, Md.....	75	28
1873	Isaac N. Foreman.....	June 12, 1890..	Lincoln, Del.....	47	17
1841	John Allen.....	Dec. 3, 1890..	Brooklyn, N. Y.....	72	33
1855	Samuel T. Gardner.....	Jan. 3, 1891..	Pivot Bridge, Md.....	60	33
1889	Samuel J. Baker.....	Sept. 22, 1891..	Laurel, Del.....	33	2
1870	Thos. O. Ayres.....	Oct. 4, 1891..	Delaware City, Del.....	53	21
1873	Thos. R. Creamer.....	Jan. 10, 1892..	Milton, Del.....	45	19
1840	Vaughan Smith.....	Nov. 21, 1891..	Wilmington, Del.....	79	43
1845	Charles Hill.....	June 22, 1892..	Salisbury, Md.....	70	47
1833	James L. Houston.....	Sept. 18, 1892..	Trappe, Md.....	82	32
1865	Alfred T. Melvin.....	Oct. 17, 1892..	Bel Air, Md.....	52	24
1859	Alfred A. Fisher.....	Dec. 12, 1893..	Bridgeville, Del.....	62	17
1857	Wm. B. Gregg.....	Jan. 24, 1893..	Wyoming, Del.....	68	36
1847	Joseph Robinson.....	Feb. 18, 1893..	Perryman's, Md.....	63	45
1835	George Barton.....	Mar. 19, 1893..	Church Hill, Md.....	84	11
1843	James A. Brindle.....	Apr. 6, 1894..	Greensboro, Md.....	73	48
1860	Nicholas M. Browne.....	Feb. 4, 1895..	Middletown, Del.....	58	35
1850	James Hubbard.....	Apr. 4, 1895..	Philadelphia, Pa.....	76	4
1857	James E. Bryan.....	Oct. 17, 1895..	Baltimore, Md.....	64	39
1892	John D. Lecates.....	Nov. 11, 1895..	Wilmington, Del.....	41	5
1859	Thomas E. Bell.....	Mar. 21, 1895..	Easton, Md.....	58	28
1868	James Conner.....	Sept. 10, 1896..	Selbyville, Del.....	59	28

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1862	Merritt Hulburd.....	Oct. 10, 1896..	Wilmington, Del.....	54	34
1873	Newton McQuay.....	May, 1887...	St. Michaels, Md.....	57	21
1896	William G. Chance.....	Sept. 13, 1897..	Quantico, Md.....	33	2
1848	Wm. B. Walton.....	June 21, 1898..	Salisbury, Md.....	77	43
1850	John B. Quigg.....	July 30, 1898..	Wilmington, Del.....	72	46
1845	John H. Caldwell.....	March 11, 1899..	Dover, Del.....	79	45
1860	Andrew D. Davis.....	April 13, 1899..	Georgetown, Del.....	72	35
1845	Henry Sanderson.....	Aug. 16, 1899..	Ridley Park, Pa.....	80	34
1859	Edwin H. Hynson.....	July 27, 1899..	Smyrna, Del.....	64	39
1845	Wm. E. England.....	Jan. 20, 1900..	Philadelphia, Pa.....	79	48
1857	Thos. S. Williams.....	Jan. 20, 1900..	Northeast, Md.....	65	41
1888	Chas. P. Swain.....	May 22, 1900..	Deal's Island, Md.....	41	12
1874	David F. Waddell.....	Dec. 20, 1900..	Westminster, Md.....	48	28
1896	Benj. F. Price.....	Mar. 22, 1901..	Elkton, Md.....	84	60
1851	Jas. W. Hammersly.....	April 19, 1901..	Brooklandville, Md.....	78	40
1877	Walter E. Avery.....	April 22, 1902..	Wilmington, Del.....	69	25
1860	J. Owen Sypherd.....	Sept. 3, 1902..	Wilmington, Del.....	65	30
1872	John D. Kemp.....	Sept. 21, 1902..	Chestertown, Md.....	65	27
1856	William F. Talbot.....	Feb. 26, 1903..	Dover, Del.....	73	41
1859	Chas. F. Sheppard.....	Apr. 13, 1903..	Frankford, Del.....	50	21
1843	Thos. H. Haynes.....	May 28, 1903..	Smyrna, Del.....	81	51
1853	Geo. A. Phoebe.....	May 28, 1903..	Brooklyn, N. Y.....	74	33
1868	Jonathan S. Willis.....	Nov. 24, 1903..	Milford, Del.....	74	27
1867	John D. Rigg.....	Dec. 16, 1903..	Hockessin, Del.....	65	23
1869	Edward Davis.....	Jan. 9, 1904..	Newark, Md.....	84	28
1856	John France.....	Mar. 10, 1904..	Wilmington, Del.....	69	48
1879	E. K. Creed.....	Apr. 24, 1904..	Philadelphia, Pa.....	58	25
1890	E. R. Sidell.....	May 14, 1904..	Philadelphia, Pa.....	48	14
1853	J. B. Merritt.....	July 8, 1904..	Fairlee, Md.....	78	32
1872	G. W. Wilcox.....	Dec. 15, 1904..	Salisbury, Md.....	62	16
1889	James E. Graham.....	July 13, 1905..	Seaford, Del.....	52	16
1853	Robert W. Todd.....	Jan. 18, 1906..	Baltimore, Md.....	75	52
1858	S. T. Morris.....	Apr. 18, 1906..	Roselle Park, N. J.....	73	45
1879	C. A. Grise.....	Apr. 12, 1907..	Berlin, Md.....	51	28
1868	W. R. MacFarlane.....	Feb. 18, 1908..	Hockessin, Del.....	71	40
1898	F. H. Bloxton.....	Mar. 5, 1908..	Nanticoke, Md.....	40	10
1869	W. R. Gwinn.....	Mar. 13, 1908..	Baltimore, Md.....	67	34
1876	Albert Chandler.....	June 22, 1908..	Bethel, Del.....	58	32
1870	E. H. Nelson.....	Oct. 27, 1908..	Delaware City, Del.....	62	39
1860	H. W. Bolton.....	Jan. 8, 1909..	Camden, Del.....	69	48
1859	J. T. VanBurkalow.....	Feb. 8, 1909..	Dover, Del.....	81	42
1869	E. H. Miller.....	Jan. 22, 1911..	Sharptown, Md.....	66	43
1876	W. L. P. Bowen.....	Mar. 11, 1911..	Newark, Md.....	77	17
1866	E. E. White.....	Dec. 26, 1912..	Oxford, Md.....	69	46

CONFERENCE ROSTER.

1853 William M. Warner
 1858 Henry S. Thompson
 1858 William W. Redman
 1862 George S. Conaway
 1864 Thomas E. Martindale
 1865 George W. Burke
 1865 James Carroll
 1866 James Esgate
 1868 Cornelius W. Prettyman
 1868 Isaac G. Fosnocht
 1869 Thomas B. Hunter
 1869 Phillip H. Rawlins
 1870 Joseph A. Arters
 1870 John W. Poole
 1870 Adam Stengle
 1870 George E. Reed
 1871 William E. Tomkinson
 1871 Levin W. Layfield
 1871 Thomas H. Harding
 1871 Franz O. B. Wallin
 1872 William L. S. Murray
 1872 Richard H. Adams
 1872 John P. Otis
 1873 Robert Roe
 1873 Frank C. MacSorley
 1873 William M. Greene
 1875 Walter W. White
 1876 George W. Townsend
 1876 Theo. A. H. O'Brien
 1876 Edwin C. Macnichol
 1876 Louis E. Barrett
 1876 Wilbur F. Corkran
 1876 John M. Collins
 1876 Levan R. Janney
 1876 Thomas E. Terry
 1876 Edmund L. Hoffecker
 1878 Charles A. Hill
 1878 Robert K. Stephenson
 1878 Howard T. Quigg
 1879 Olin S. Walton
 1879 Alfred Smith
 1879 Joshua M. Lindale
 1879 Gordon R. Neese
 1880 John R. Cannon
 1881 Frederick J. Cechran
 1881 Louis P. Corkran
 1881 Sewall N. Pilchard
 1882 Allison P. Prettyman
 1882 Charles H. Williams
 1883 William B. Guthrie
 1883 George L. Hardesty
 1883 Vaughan S. Collins
 1884 William A. Wise
 1884 Emerson P. Roberts
 1884 Edmund H. Derrickson
 1884 Thomas N. Given
 1884 Daniel F. McFaul
 1884 Wilmer Jaggard
 1884 William F. Dawson
 1885 James M. Mitchell
 1885 James W. Easley
 1885 Robert Watt
 1885 James D. Reese
 1885 George W. Bowman
 1885 Daniel H. Willis
 1885 Ellenzie C. Sunfield
 1886 George E. Wood
 1886 Asbury Burke
 1886 William W. Sharp
 1886 William R. Mowbray
 1886 Henry S. Dulany
 1886 William G. Koons
 1886 Clinton T. Wyatt
 1886 James T. Prouse
 1886 Benjamine F. Jester
 1886 William P. Taylor
 1887 Stephen M. Morgan
 1887 Ralph T. Coursey
 1887 Zach H. Webster
 1887 James H. Wilson
 1888 George T. Alderson
 1888 John F. Anderson
 1888 Frank F. Carpenter
 1888 William P. Compton
 1888 Wesley W. Chaires
 1888 Warren Burr
 1888 Joshua W. Gray
 1889 Vinal E. Hills
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 1889 James W. Fogle
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 1891 Joseph H. Geoghegan
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 1892 Van P. Northrup
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 1892 William O. Hurst

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 1892 Clarence W. Strickland
 1893 Harry A. G. Westerfield
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 1894 Edward H. Dashiell
 1895 Edward H. Collins
 1895 Thomas R. VanDyke
 1895 Daniel J. Givan
 1895 William D. Parry
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 1896 George P. Smith
 1896 Leolan Jackson
 1897 John W. Prettyman
 1897 James W. Talley
 1897 Thomas S. Holt
 1897 William O. Bennett
 1897 Harry Taylor
 1898 Omar E. Jones
 1898 John W. Jones
 1898 Frederick X. Moore
 1898 Hugh B. Kelso
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 1903 Walter E. Gunby
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Easton—S. S. Superintendent, A. E. Sudler; A. G. Cox.

Salisbury—S. S. Superintendent, L. A. Bennett; L. E. P. Dennis.

Wilmington—S. S. Superintendent, H. R. Isaacs, R. I. Flinn.

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Dover District—G. W. Bounds.

Easton District—W. E. Gunby.

Salisbury District—W. G. Harris.

Wilmington District—W. E. Greenfield.

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1915—W. G. Koons, I. E. Perry, Mrs. M. R. Lincoln.

1916—C. A. Hill, Edwin Golding, Mrs. J. B. Quigg.

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 1915—E. C. Macnichol, I. E. Perry, W. T. Records.
 1916—V. S. Collins, W. L. White, H. P. Cannon.

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T. A. H. O'Brien, T. E. Terry, R. T. Coursey, J. P. Otis, F. F. Carpenter.

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Lay—1914—G. A. Cox, Geo. W. Todd, E. W. Cooper, G. E. Magee. **1916**—S. S. Andrews, G. M. Jones, Joseph Mallelieu, J. S. Mullin. **1918**—Wm. Saulsbury, G. W. Tebo, Joseph Smithers, H. P. Cannon. **1920**—W. H. Jackson, Dr. Frank Grier, Wm. P. Jackson, Harry Mayer.

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Term expires 1915—Ministers, C. W. Prettyman, G. C. Williams, T. A. H. O'Brien; Lay, J. H. Kimble, J. T. Taylor, W. O. Hoffecker.

Term expires 1916—Ministers, F. F. Carpenter, V. S. Collins; Lay: A. B. Magee, J. B. Tawes.

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Lay—R. S. Loomis, Dr. G. L. Grier, C. H. Jefferson, W. J. Downing.

CONFERENCE HISTORICAL SOCIETY.

Ministerial—T. E. Martindale, H. S. Thompson, R. H. Adams, V. S. Collins, J. P. Otis, Alfred Smith.

Lay—E. L. Cross, H. C. Conrad, J. C. Mulliken, A. G. Cox, J. E. Holland, Joseph Smithers, J. H. Phillips.

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Ministerial—C. A. Hill, W. G. Koons, L. E. Barrett, T. E. Martindale. At large, Dr. G. E. Reed.

Lay—Hon. W. P. Jackson, Hon. W. O. Hoffecker, Melville Gambrill, H. P. Cannon. District Superintendents ex-officio.

COMMISSION ON FINANCE.

Ministerial—W. G. Koons, J. W. Colona, C. W. Prettyman, C. T. Wyatt, G. C. Williams, E. H. Dashiell, V. S. Collins, S. M. Morgan. District Superintendents ex-officio.

Lay—Eight Laymen to be appointed by the Layman's Association.

SUNDAY SCHOOL LITERATURE.

R. T. Coursey, C. W. Prettyman, R. H. Adams, T. E. Martindale, T. E. Terry, S. M. Morgan, L. E. Barrett, E. H. Dashiell.

VISITING COMMITTEES.

Dickinson College—J. J. Bunting, S. M. Morgan.

Conference Academy—W. D. Parry, L. E. Barrett, W. E. Gunby.

Boston School of Theology—R. H. Adams, V. E. Hills, W. E. Tomkinson.

Drew Seminary—F. F. Carpenter, W. H. Briggs.

Goucher College—H. T. Quigg, G. E. Reed.

STANDING COMMITTEES.

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Bible—Howard Davis, E. W. McDowell, W. P. Taylor, Warren Burr.

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Education—H. T. Quigg, J. W. Easley, George Edward Reed, J. W. Colona.

Epworth League—Milton McCann, H. A. G. Westerfield, G. L. Hardesty W. H. Briggs, V. P. Northrup, J. R. Bicking, T. R. VanDyke.

Freedman's Aid and Southern Education—J. M. Lindale, J. H. Gardner, W. W. Chaires, J. M. S. VanBlunk.

Memiors—W. L. S. Murray, W. W. Sharp, W. E. Gunby, T. E. Martindale.

Ministerial Qualifications—1914: W. L. White, G. T. Alderson, T. R. VanDyke. 1915: C. T. Wyatt, L. E. Barrett, E. H. Dashiell. 1916: J. P. Outten, J. W. Colona, H. T. Quigg.

Missionary Statistics, Local Preachers, and Post Offices—Leoland Jackson, B. L. McFarland, J. L. Sparklin, J. W. Gray.

Periodicals—W. O. Hurst, Leonard White, E. H. Dashiell, B. S. Latshaw.

Philadelphia Hospital—W. R. Mowbray, W. E. Greenfield, Harry Taylor, E. H. Collins.

Public Worship—W. E. Habbart, E. H. Dashiell, George P. Jones.

Sabbath Observance—R. T. Coursey, Tilghman Smith, G. W. Dawson, C. W. Moore.

Stewards Endowment—T. E. Terry, T. C. Smoot, T. E. Martindale, G. E. Reed, Melville Gambrell, T. N. Rawlins, T. A. Eliason, W. P. Jackson.

Sunday School—C. N. Jones, F. J. Cochran, V. P. Northrup, E. H. Collins.

Temperance—T. F. Beauchamp, C. T. Wyatt, Alfred Smith, C. P. Keen, E. C. Macnichol.

Thanks—W. L. S. Murray, O. E. Jones, C. W. Prettyman, F. F. Carpenter.

Woman's Foreign Missionary Society—C. W. Strickland, J. A. Brewington, Edwin Gardner, M. D. Nutter.

Woman's Home Missionary Society—A. W. Goodhand, D. J. Ford, W. F. Dawson, I. G. Fosnocht.

PLAN OF EXAMINATION.

Excerpt 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).

Resolution 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."

Resolutions Adopted March 16, 1905.

Resolved 1. "That each student throughout the entire course, shall present to the Registrar, a written statement that he has carefully read all the books which the Discipline requires to be read for the year."

Resolved 2. "That no candidate shall be examined in studies in advance of those of the class to which he belongs, except as Discipline provides."

Following the instruction of the Conference, certificates will be received in accordance with paragraph 63, section 2, and paragraph 64, section 1 of the Appendix of Discipline, (1908).

Resolution Adopted March 17, 1909.

Resolved, "That the Executive Committee shall hold a meeting annually on the first Wednesday of February, at such place as the President and Registrar may agree upon. At which meeting all certificates (as far as possible) shall be presented and acted upon by the Executive Committee for the Board of Examiners."

In accordance with the above Resolution all certificates should be in the hands of the Registrar not later than February the First.

Resolution Adopted March 28, 1913.

Certificates.

Resolved, "That we adopt sections 1 and 2, paragraph 568 (Discipline 1912): also section 5, paragraph 568, omitting the words "admission to, or", so it shall read, "A Certificate of graduation from any high school or academy of good standing may be accepted in place of an examination in "Elementary English Branches."

All examinations will be held at the time and seat of the Annual Conference.

SCHEME OF STUDIES.

(Discipline of 1912).

- Dept. 1. Elementary English.....C. A. Hill
Reading, Arithmetic, Geography, Grammar and Spelling: Admission.
- Dept. 2. Practical Work.....T. F. Beauchamp
Organizing and Building the Sunday School (Hurlbut): Admission. Winning the Fight Against Drink (Eaton), 1st year. The

- Graded Sunday School in Principle and Practice (Meyer), 2nd year.
- Dept. 3. Belles Letters.....J. W. Colona
Principles of Rhetoric (Hill): Admission. Principles of Literary Criticism (Winchester), 4th year. Essays and Synopses for 2nd and 4th years.
- Dept. 4. History and Mental Science.....E. H. Dashiell
General History (Meyer): Admission. American History (James and Sanford), 1st year and Local. How We Think (Dewey), 2nd year.
- Dept. 5. Apologetics.....S. M. Pilchard
Theism (Bowne), 4th year. History and Exposition of the Twenty-five Articles of Religion of the Methodist Episcopal Church (Wheeler): Admission. Sacerdotalism in the Nineteenth Century (Sheldon), 3rd year.
- Dept. 6. Methodist Polity.....J. T. Richardson
Methodism and the Republic, (Platt), Local. Discipline (1912), Admission, Local Deacons and Elders. Digest of Methodist Law (Merrill and Downey), 1st year and Local.
- Dept. 7. Methodist History.....W. O. Bennett
Life of John Wesley (Winchester), Admission. One Thousand Questions on Methodism (Wheeler), Local. History of Methodism (Abridged, Stevens), Local.
- Dept. 8. Ethics.....J. W. Easley
Christian Ethics (Smyth), 4th year. The New Basis of Civilization (Patten), 3rd year. Social Creed of the Churches (Ward and others), Local.
- Dept. 9. Historical Theology.....V. S. Collins
History of the Christian Church (Fisher), 3rd year. Short History of the Christian Church (Hurst), Local. The Light of the World (Speer), 2nd year.
- Dept. 10. Biblical Theology.....J. L. Sparklin
Jesus and the Gospels (Denny), 1st year. The Bible, Its Origin and Nature (Dods), 2nd year and Local. Prophecy and the Prophets (Eiselen), 4th year.
- Dept. 11. Exegetical Theology.....M. D. Nutter
Biblical Hermeneutics (Terry), 2nd year. The Worker and His Bible (Eiselen and Barclay), Admission and Local. Decisive Hour of Christian Missions (Mott), 2nd year and Local.
- Dept. 12. Systematic Theology.....W. O. Hurst
System of Christian Doctrine (Sheldon), 3rd and 4th years. The Fact of Conversion (Jackson), 3rd year.
- Dept. 13. Doctrinal Theology.....J. W. Jones
A Manual of Christian Doctrine (Banks), Local Deacons and Elders.

- Life of St. Paul (Stalker), Local Deacons and Elders. Life of Christ (Stalker), Local Deacons and Elders. Religious Education in the Home (Folsom), Local.
- Dept. 14. Homiletics.....V. E. Hills
Preparation and Delivery of Sermons (Broadus), 1st year. English Style in Public Discourse (Phelps), 1st year. Sermons of 1st and 3rd years.
- Dept. 15. Practical Theology.....G. C. Williams
Doctrinal Aspects of Christian Experience (Merrill), Local. The Social Engineer (Earp), 4th year. Sermons for Admission and Local Deacons.
- V. P. NORTHRUP.
St. Michaels, Md. Registrar.

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 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, but shall, ad interim, upon the unanimous request of the District Superintendents, furnish a copy of any paper or document in his possession to be used for the best interest of our work; 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 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 two-thirds 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 "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 determined by these Rules of Order, shall be determined by the President, in accordance with established parliamentary law subject to appeal to the Conference.

CONFERENCE ROLL.

(The letters designate the present relation:—P., Probation; D., Deacon; E., Elder; R., Retired; Sy., Supernumerary. The figures in the first column indicate the time of admission on trial. Those in the last column the year of appointment or relation).

1872	Adams, R. H.	E	Sharptown, Md.	3
1888	Alderson, G. T.	E	Wilmington, Del.	1
1912	Allen, G. S.	P	Vienna, Md.	2
1888	Anderson, J. F.	E	St. Georges, Del.	2
1870	Arters, J. A.	R	Middletown, Del.	5
1876	Barrett, L. E.	E	Chestertown, Md.	5
1902	Baynard, O. T.	E	Chincoteague, Va.	4
1892	Beauchamp, T. F.	E	Wilmington, Del.	3
1894	Beauchamp, J. H.	E	Perryville, Md.	2
1897	Bennett, W. O.	E	Bridgeville, Del.	3
1907	Bicking, J. R.	E	Wilmington, Del.	4
1890	Bounds, G. W.	E	Dagsboro and St. Georges, Del.	1
1885	Bowman, G. W.	R	5123 Ludlow St., Phila., Pa.	6
1890	Brewington, J. A.	E	Bozman, Md.	1
1907	Briggs, W. H.	E	Zion, Md.	4
1904	Buckson, J. A.	D	Beckwith, Md.	2
1894	Budd, H. G.	E	Dover, Del.	3
1909	Bunting, J. J.	E	Mt. Vernon, Md.	2
1865	Burke, G. W.	R	Smyrna, Del.	6
1886	Burke, Asbury	E	Pivot, Md.	
1888	Burr, Warren	E	Townsend, Del.	1
1880	Cannon, J. R.	E	Somerset, Md.	2
1888	Carpenter, F. F.	E	Wilmington, Del.	2
1865	Carroll, James	R	Milford, Del.	14
1888	Chaires, W. W.	E	Marydel, Md.	2
1881	Cochran, F. J.	E	Whitesville, Del.	1
1876	Collins, J. M.	R	Wilmington, Del.	8
1883	Collins, V. S.	E	Wilmington, Del.	1
1895	Collins, E. H.	E	Wilmington, Del.	1
1902	Colona, J. W.	E	Georgetown, Del.	3
1891	Cooke, G. A.	E	Tangier, Va.	2
1888	Compton, W. P.	R	6725 Lansdowne Av., Phila., Pa.	6
1862	Conaway, G. S.	R	Smyrna, Del.	7
1912	Connelly, O. H.	P	Christiana, Del.	1
1876	Corkran, W. F.	E	Wilmington, Del.	5
1881	Corkran, L. P.	E	Sudlersville, Md.	2
1887	Coursey, R. T.	E	Hillsboro, Md.	2
1894	Dashiell, E. H.	E	Crisfield, Md.	2
1900	Davis, Howard	E	Cape Charles, Va.	4
1884	Dawson, W. F.	E	Cheswold, Del.	1
1899	Dawson, G. W.	E	Wilmington, Del.	1
1884	Derrickson, E. H.	E	Church Hill, Md.	5
1912	Di-Stefano, Ettore	P	Madison, N. J.	1
1886	Dulaney, H. S.	E	Salisbury, Md.	2
1885	Easley, J. W.	E	Snow Hill, Md.	2
1898	Ellis, G. R.	E	Millsboro, Del.	2

1866	Esgate, James	R	Brocton, Mass.	27
1900	Faulkner, F. N.	E	Delmar, Del.	1
1889	Fogle, J. W.	E	Onancock, Va.	3
1905	Ford, D. J.	E	Cherry Hill, Md.	3
1868	Fosnocht, I. G.	E	Millington, Md.	1
1891	Gardner, Edwin	E	Boothwyn, Pa.	2
1902	Gardner, J. H.	E	Galestown, Md.	2
1891	Geoghegan, J. H.	E	Delaware City, Del.	1
1895	Givan, D. J.	E	Harrington, Del.	3
1884	Given, T. N.	E	Fairlee, Md.	2
1903	Goodhand, A. W.	E	Hurlock, Md.	1
1905	Gray, J. H.	E	Princess Anne, Md.	2
1888	Gray, J. W.	E	Bethel, Del.	3
1873	Greene, W. M.	R	2124 N. 28th St., Phila., Pa.	9
1900	Greenfield, W. E.	E	Wilmington, Del.	8
1903	Gunby, W. E.	E	Easton, Md.	2
1883	Guthrie, W. B.	E	Powellville, Md.	2
1883	Hardesty, G. L.	E	Cecilton, Md.	2
1903	Habbart, W. E.	E	Ridgely, Md.	1
1871	Harding, T. H.	R	Wilmington, Del.	7
1906	Harris, W. G.	E	Frankford, Del.	1
1900	Hastings, G. W.	E	Deal's Island, Md.	1
1878	Hill, C. A.	E	Crisfield, Md.	1
1889	Hills, V. E.	E	Selbyville, Del.	4
1876	Hoffecker, E. L.	E	Wilmington, Del.	4
1897	Holt, T. S.	R	Federalburg, Md.	2
1900	Hudson, J. A.	E	Williamsburg, Md.	1
1869	Hunter, T. B.	R	324 W. 3d St., Long Beach, Cal.	4
1892	Hurst, W. O.	E	Fairmount, Md.	1
1910	Hopkins, J. C. B.	D	Greenwood, Del.	1
1884	Jaggard, Wilmer	E	Preston, Md.	3
1907	James, O. E.	E	Farmington, Del.	1
1876	Janney, L. R.	E	Wye, Md.	2
1896	Jackson, Leolan	E	Crapo, Md.	2
1913	Jacobs, D. W.	D	Blades, Del.	1
1886	Jester, B. F.	Sy	Wilmington, Del.	4
1899	Johnson, J. L.	E	New Castle, Del.	2
1900	Jones, C. N.	E	Hopewell, Md.	1
1905	Jones, E. W.	E	East Newmarket, Md.	2
1891	Jones, G. P.	E	Salisbury, Md.	5
1898	Jones, J. W.	E	Frederica, Del.	1
1898	Jones, Omar E.	E	Seaford, Del.	3
1903	Jones, C. T.	E	Trappe, Md.	1
1907	Keen, C. P.	E	Salisbury, Md.	3
1898	Kelso, H. B.	E	Rehoboth, Del.	3
1904	Kelso, J. M.	E	Nassau, Del.	1
1901	Kenney, W. H.	E	Chesapeake City, Md.	2
1913	Klug, H. O.	P	Elliott's Island, Md.	1
1886	Koons, W. G.	E	Lewes, Del.	2
1911	Latshaw, B. S.	D	Richardson Park, Del.	2
1871	Layfield, L. W.	E	Felton, Del.	5
1913	Leach, J. A.	D	Church Creek, Md.	1
1901	Lewis, R. H.	Sy	Fishing Creek, Md.	1
1879	Lindale, J. M.	E	Red Lion, Del.	1
1876	Macnichol, E. C.	E	Rising Sun, Md.	1
1902	Marshall, E. H.	E	Gumboro, Del.	1
1864	Martindale, T. E.	E	Salisbury, Md.	8

1902	Matthews, W. E.	E	Magnolia, Del.	1
1902	McCann, Milton	E	Stockton, Md.	3
1910	McCann, W. M.	D	Oxford, Md.	1
1905	McCoy, J. C.	E	Marshallton, Del.	2
1889	McDougal, L. I.	E	Smyrna, Del.	1
1906	McDowell, E. W.	E	Ocean View, Del.	1
1909	McFarland, B. L.	E	Bishopville, Md.	1
1884	McFaul, D. F.	E	Hebron, Md.	1
1873	MacSorley, F. C.	E	Wilmington, Del.	3
1885	Mitchell, J. M.	E	Laurel, Del.	2
1902	Mitchell, J. H.	E	Salt Lake City, Utah	1
1894	Moore, C. W.	E	Galena, Md.	1
1898	Moore, F. X.	E	Still Pond, Md.	2
1911	Moore, D. J.	D	Queenstown, Md.	1
1887	Morgan, S. M.	E	Wilmington, Del.	4
1905	Morgan, L. B.	E	Georgetown, Del.	3
1886	Mowbray, W. R.	E	Milford, Del.	2
1913	Mowbray, R. L.	P	Canterbury, Del.	1
1872	Murray, W. L. S.	E	Wilmington, Del.	1
1879	Neese, G. R.	E	Clayton, Del.	1
1912	Newton, G. F.	P	Westover, Md.	2
1907	Nichols, R. P.	E	Newport, Del.	1
1892	Northrup, V. P.	E	St. Michaels, Md.	3
1890	Nutter, M. D.	E	Parsonburg, Md.	1
1876	O'Brien, T. A. H.	E	Port Deposit, Md.	2
1872	Otis, J. P.	E	North East, Md.	3
1893	Outten, J. P.	E	Wilmington, Del.	1
1895	Parry, W. D.	E	Smyrna, Del.	3
1881	Pilchard, S. N.	E	Cambridge, Md.	1
1870	Poole, J. W.	R	1540 N. 60th St., Phila., Pa.	12
1896	Poole, L. E.	E	Newark, Del.	1
1900	Poole, W. C.	E	Anti-Saloon League	1
1882	Prettyman, A. P.	E	Greensboro, Md.	1
1868	Prettyman, C. W.	E	Centreville, Md.	2
1897	Prettyman, J. W.	E	Rock Hall, Md.	2
1902	Prettyman, E. C.	E	Ebenezer, Del.	1
1908	Price, J. T.	E	Lewisville, Pa.	1
1886	Prouse, J. T.	R	Edgemooore, Del.	1
1878	Quigg, H. T.	E	Elkton, Md.	1
1869	Rawlins, P. H.	R	Seaford, Del.	3
1858	Redman, W. W.	R	Greenwood, Del.	12
1910	Reed, H. E.	D	Girdletree, Md.	1
1870	Reed, G. E.	E	Wilmington, Del.	2
1885	Reese, J. D.	E	Hockessin, Del.	2
1907	Revelle, W. H.	E	Newark, Md.	3
1911	Rice, O. B.	P	Pomona, Md.	1
1893	Richardson, J. T.	E	Mt. Pleasant, Del.	1
1884	Roberts, E. P.	E	Pocomoke City, Md.	1
1873	Roe, Robert	R	Oxford, Md.	2
1886	Sharp, W. W.	E	Seaford, Del.	4
1879	Smith, Alfred	E	Camden, Del.	1
1896	Smith, G. P.	E	Kenton, Del.	2
1907	Smith, Tilghman	E	Marion, Md.	2
1889	Smoot, T. C.	E	Kent Island, Md.	2
1906	Sparklin, J. L.	E	Odessa, Del.	2
1911	Spry, C. W.	P	At School	2
1889	Stallings, G. W.	E	St. Peters, Md.	1

1870	Stengle, Adam	Sy	Wilmington, Del.	5
1878	Stephenson, R. K.	E	Dover, Del.	4
1912	Sterling, G. E.	P	Pittsville, Md.	5
1892	Strickland, C. W.	E	Nanticoke, Md.	2
1885	Sunfield, E. C.	E	Wilmington, Del.	2
1908	Sutton, J. W.	E	Fruitland, Md.	1
1910	Shipley, H. C.	D	Wyoming, Del.	2
1910	Sard, T. J.	D	Dover, Del.	2
1897	Talley, J. W.	E	Edgemore, Del.	3
1894	Taylor, E. B.	E	Charlestown, Md.	3
1897	Taylor, Harry	E	Crumpton, Md.	2
1886	Taylor, W. P.	E	Lincoln, Del.	4
1876	Terry, T. E.	E	Federalburg, Md.	2
1903	Thomas, G. S.	E	Concord, Md.	3
1858	Thompson, H. S.	R	Smyrna, Del.	1
1871	Tomkinson, W. E.	R	604 Boas St., Harrisburg, Pa.	14
1876	Townsend, G. W.	Sy	Ridley Park, Pa.	1
1905	VanBlunk, J. M. S.	E	Quantico, Md.	2
1895	VanDyke, T. R.	E	Berlin, Md.	3
1871	Wallin, F. O. B.	R	Stockholm, Sweden	14
1879	Walton, O. S.	R	Re: Lion, Del.	7
1853	Warner, W. M.	R	Millington, Md.	13
1885	Watt, Robert	E	Smyrna, Del.	4
1887	Webster, Z. H.	E	Milton, Del.	1
1913	Wells, Z. W.	P	Holland's Island, Md.	1
1893	Westerfield, H. A. G.	E	Denton, Md.	3
1910	Wheatley, M. E.	D	Burrsville, Md.	2
1893	White, W. L.	E	Dover, Del.	4
1875	White, W. W.	E	Piney Neck, Md.	1
1908	White, Leonard	E	Cordova, Md.	3
1905	Whittaker, I. S.	E	Houston, Del.	4
1882	Williams, C. H.	E	Colora, Md.	1
1902	Williams, G. C.	E	Laurel, Del.	3
1892	Williams, W. S. H.	Sy	Georgetown, Del.	4
1885	Willis, D. H.	R	Cambridge, Md.	1
1912	Willis, Ivanhoe	P	Tilghman, Md.	1
1887	Wilson, J. H.	E	Roxana, Del.	1
1906	Wilson, Daniel	E	Smith's Island, Md.	3
1884	Wise, W. A.	E	Wilmington, Del.	2
1886	Wood, G. E.	Sy	Hebron, Md.	3
1898	Wright, E. C.	E	Mt. Lebanon, Del.	2
1886	Wyatt, C. T.	E	Middletown, Del.	1

LOCAL PREACHERS DIRECTORY.

Local Elders.

Atkinson, W. F.	Crisfield, Md.	Faries, Wm.	Smyrna, Del.
Barrett, T. S.	North East, Md.	Sever, George	Phoebus, Va.
Bichell, A. A.	Elliott's Island, Md.	Stimmil, W. E.	Wilmington, Del.
Brooks, A. G.	Newark, Del.	Strickland, W. G.	Wilmington, Del.
Conoway, W. N.	Henderson, Md.	Hudson, Joseph	Millsboro, Del.
Cross, E. L.	New Castle, Del.	Tindall, W. J.	Seaford, Del.
Donoho, S. M.	Cambridge, Md.		

Local Deacons.

Green, Daniel	Newport, Del.	Rogers, R. L.	Wilmington, Del.
Hamilton, Wm.	Wilmington, Del.	Scott, J. T.	Wilmington, Del.
McLain, L. T.	Phoebus, Va.	Wiley, J. H.	Laurel, Del.
Northrup, C. L.	Hurlock, Md.	Marine, M. W.	Hickman, Del.

Licentiates.

Atkins, C. H.	Viola, Del.	McCabe, Joshua	Dover, Del.
Atwell, Alexander	Hockessin, Del.	McLaughlin, J. F.	Wilmington, Del.
Ayres, J. F.	Leemont, Va.	McGuire, William	Houston, Del.
Betts, Henry	Millsboro, Del.	Miles, D. J.	Upper Fairmount, Md.
Biddle, Isaiah	North East, Md.	Moore, B. P.	Dover, Del.
Broadway, L. M.	Wilmington, Del.	Nelson, W. C.	Lawsonia, Md.
Brown, A. R.	Leipsic, Del.	Nicholson, W. G.	Willards, Md.
Buckson, W. C.	Golden Hill, Md.	Phillips, W. H.	Frankford, Del.
Cantwell, R. D.	Elkton, Md.	Phoebus, Wilbur	Oriole, Md.
Cathers, A. W.	Childs, Md.	Purnell, James	Millington, Md.
Clapham, C. W.	Wilmington, Del.	Pusey, S. B.	Seaford, Del.
Clark, D. S.	Kenton, Del.	Reed, O. R.	Ellendale, Del.
Clark, J. F.	Delmar, Del.	Riggin, H. C.	Blades, Del.
Cole, H. M.	Edgemore, Del.	Rutter, C. W.	Wilmington, Del.
Coleman, W. B.	Chestertown, Md.	Savage, C. R.	Williamsville, Del.
Covington, Henry	Centreville, Md.	Scott, A. P.	Newark, Del.
Davis, C. E.	Dover, Del.	Sebring, Nelson	Marshallton, Del.
Davis, A. W.	Wilmington, Del.	Seibert, E. T.	Carpenter, Del.
Deakyne, E. T.	New Castle, Del.	Sharpless, C. D.	Wilmington, Del.
Derrickson, J. L.	Georgetown, Del.	Shockley, O. M.	Showells, Md.
Ellegood, J. A.	Ellendale, Del.	Spaid, A. R.	Wilmington, Del.
Elzey, Roland	Chattanooga, Tenn.	Talley, N. L.	Edgemore, Del.
Fogwell, S. J.	Hayden, Md.	Todd, B. R.	Wingate, Md.
Galloway, W. K.	Wilmington, Del.	Todd, N. L.	Wingate, Md.
Gibbons, S. O.	St. Georges, Del.	Thornton, J. H.	Wilmington, Del.
Grant, W. S.	Little Creek, Del.	Travers, Alonzo	Port Penn, Del.
Gray, Franklin	Marshallton, Del.	Truitt, H. E.	Pocomoke City, Md.
Hackett, L. K.	Oak Grove, Del.	Tomer, Hugh	Wilmington, Del.
Hamilton, Samuel	Madison, N. J.	Warren, H. B.	Middletown, Conn.
Hanby, S. L.	Boothwyn, Pa.	Weldin, G. W.	Edgemore, Del.
Harris, C. C.	Centreville, Md.	West, Harry	Carlisle, Pa.
Harris, W. V.	Claremont, Va.	White, E. W.	Wilmington, Del.
Hicks, R. H.	Queen Annes, Md.	White, Frank	Royal Oak, Md.
Hill, Matthew	Delmar, Del.	Wilkinson, J. W.	Newark, Del.
Horner, W. B.	Golt, Del.	Wilmot, A. A.	Claymont, Del.
Horseman, Samuel	Winona, Md.	Wilson, R. H.	James, Md.
Hudson, C. H.	Fishing Creek, Md.	Wilson, G. W.	Georgetown, Del.
Kelley, J. P.	Milford, Del.	Wilson, W. D.	Lewes, Del.
Kitchen, C. B.	Wilmington, Del.	Windsor, Lister	Dover, Del.
Kirk, C. A.	Pivot, Md.	Wingate, Wm.	Marshallton, Del.
Law, G. A.	Madison, N. J.	Winder, E. J.	Seaford, Del.
Long, R. W.	Delmar, Del.	Wise, J. M.	New Castle, Del.
Low, W. A.	Selbyville, Del.	Wright, W. J.	Choptank, Md.
Lowe, L. S.	Laurel, Del.		

APPOINTMENTS.

DOVER DISTRICT.

R. K. Stephenson, District Superintendent (P. O. Dover, Del.)	
Armory & Asbury	T. J. Sard
P. O. Dover, Del.	
Beckwith, Md.	J. A. Buckson
P. O. Cornersville, Md.	
Blades & Epworth	D. W. Jacobs
P. O. Seaford, Del.	
Bridgeville, Del.	W. O. Bennett
Burrsville, Md.	M. E. Wheatley
P. O. Harrington, Del.	
Cambridge, Md.	S. N. Pilchard
Camden & Lebanon, Del.	Alfred Smith
Canterbury, Del.	R. L. Mowbray
Church Creek, Md.	J. A. Leach
Concord, Md.	G. S. Thomas
P. O. Hobbs, Md.	
Crapo, Md.	Leolan Jackson
Denton, Md.	H. A. G. Westerfield
Dover, Del.	W. L. White
East New Market, Md.	E. W. Jones
Ellendale, Del. (Sup.)	Thos. Pardee
Elliott's Is., Md.	H. O. Klug
Epworth & Hickman, Del.	
(Sup.)	M. W. Marine
Farmington, Del.	O. E. James
Federalburg, Md.	T. E. Terry
Felton, Del.	L. W. Layfield
Frederica, Del.	J. W. Jones
Galestown, Md.	J. H. Gardner
Georgetown, Del.	J. W. Colona
Georgetown Circuit,	L. B. Morgan
P. O. Georgetown, Del.	
Greenwood, Del.	J. C. B. Hopkins
Harrington, Del.	D. J. Givan
Hooper's Is., (Sup.)	C. H. Hudson
P. O. Fishing Creek, Md.	
Houston, Del.	I. S. Whittaker
Hurlock, Md.	A. W. Goodhand
Lakeville,	Robert Wilson
P. O. Golden Hill, Md.	
Leipsic, Del. (Sup.)	A. R. Brown
Lewes, Del.	W. G. Koons
Lincoln, Del.	W. P. Taylor
Little Creek, Del. (Sup.)	W. S. Grant
Magnolia & Barratt's Chapel, Del.	
Milford, Del.	W. E. Matthews
Milford Neck, Del. (Sup.)	J. P. Kelley
Milton, Del.	Z. H. Webster
Nassau, Del.	J. M. Kelso
Preston, Md.	Wilmer Jaggard
Rehoboth & Ebenezer, Del.	H. B. Kelso
Salem, Md. (Sup.)	W. C. Buckson
Seaford, Del.	O. E. Jones
Seaford Circuit,	W. W. Sharp
P. O. Seaford, Del.	
Vienna, Md.	G. S. Allen
Williamsburg, Md.	J. A. Hudson
Wyoming, Del.	H. C. Shipley
Zoar, Del.	J. L. Derrickson
P. O. Georgetown, Del.	
H. G. Budd, Principal of the Conference Academy, member of Wesley Quarterly Conference.	

EASTON DISTRICT.

Robert Watt, District Superintendent (P. O. Smyrna, Del.)	
Bayside, Md. (Sup.)	John White
P. O. Sherwood, Md	
Bozman & Neavitt, Md.	
	J. A. Brewington
Cecilton, Md.	G. L. Hardesty
Centreville, Md.	C. W. Prettyman
Chestertown, Md.	L. E. Barrett
Cheswold, Del.	W. F. Dawson
Church Hill, Md.	E. H. Derrickson
Clayton, Del.	G. R. Neese
Cordova, Md.	Leonard White
Crumpton, Md.	Harry Taylor
Easton, Md.	W. E. Gunby
Fairlee, Md.	T. N. Given
Galena, Md.	C. W. Moore
Golt, Del. (Sup.)	W. B. Horner

Greensboro, Md.	A. P. Prettyman	St. Michaels, Md.	V. P. Northrup
Henderson, Md. (Sup.)	W. N. Conaway	Salem Circuit (Sup.)	H. Covington
Hillsboro, Md.	R. T. Coursey	P. O. Centreville, Md.	
Kent Island, Md.	T. C. Smoot	Smyrna, Del.	W. D. Parry
P. O. Stevensville, Md.		Smyrna Circuit,	L. I. McDougale
Kenton, Del.	G. P. Smith	P. O. Smyrna, Del.	
Marydel, Md.	W. W. Chaires	Still Pond & Betterton, Md.	
Middletown, Del.	C. T. Wyatt		F. X. Moore
Millington, Md.	I. G. Fosnocht	Sudlersville, Md.	L. P. Corkran
Odessa, Del.	J. L. Sparklin	Tilghman's Is., Md.	Ivanhoe Willis
Oxford, Md.	W. M. McCann	Townsend, Del.	Warren Burr
Piney Neck, Md.	W. W. White	Trappe, Md.	C. T. Jones
Pomona, Md.	O. B. Rice	Wye, Md.	L. R. Janney
Queenstown, Md.	D. J. Moore	W. C. Poole, Supt. Del. Dist. Anti-Saloon League, member Galena, Md. Q. Conf.	
Ridgely, Md.	W. E. Habbart		
Rock Hall, Md.	J. W. Prettyman		
Royal Oak, Md.	Frank White		

SALISBURY DISTRICT.

G. P. Jones, District Superintendent (P. O. Salisbury, Md.)	
Annessex, (Sup.)	W. F. Atkinson
P. O. Crisfield, Md.	
Asbury	E. H. Dashiell
P. O. Crisfield, Md.	
Berlin, Md.	T. R. VanDyke
Bethel, Del.	J. W. Gray
Bishopville, Md.	B. L. McFarland
Cape Charles, Va.	Howard Davis
Chincoteague, Va.	O. T. Baynard
Claremont, Va. (Sup.)	W. V. Harris
Crisfield, Md.	C. A. Hill
Dagsboro & St. Georges, Del.	
	G. W. Bounds
Deal's Is., Md.	G. W. Hastings
Delmar, Del.	F. N. Faulkner
Fairmount, Md.	W. O. Hurst
Frankford, Del.	W. G. Harris
Fruitland, Md.	J. W. Sutton
Girdletree, Md.	Harry E. Reed
Gumboro, Del.	E. H. Marshall
Hebron, Md.	D. F. McFaul
Holland's Is., Md.	Z. W. Wells
Laurel, Del.	G. C. Williams
Mardela, Md. (Sup.)	J. W. Hardesty
Marion, Md.	Tilghman Smith
Millsboro, Del.	G. R. Ellis
Mt. Pleasant, Del.	J. M. Mitchell
Mt. Vernon, Md.	J. J. Bunting
Nanticoke, Md.	C. W. Strickland
Newark, Md.	W. H. Revelle
Ocean View & Millville, Del.	
	E. W. McDowell
Onancock, Va.	J. W. Fogle
	and J. F. Ayres
Parsonburg, Md.	M. D. Nutter
Phoebus, Va. (Sup.)	L. T. McLain
Pittsville, Md.	G. E. Sterling
Pocomoke City, Md.	E. P. Roberts
Pocomoke Circuit (Sup.)	H. E. Truitt
P. O. Pocomoke City, Md.	
Powellville, Md.	W. B. Guthrie
Princess Anne, Md.	J. H. Gray
Roxana, Del.	J. H. Wilson
Quantico, Md.	J. M. S. VanBlunk
St. Peters, Md.	G. W. Stallings
P. O. Oriole, Md.	
Salisbury, Md. Asbury,	T. E. Martindale
Grace	H. S. Dulaney
P. O. Fruitland, Md.	
Salisbury Ct.	To be supplied
P. O. Salisbury, Md.	
Selbyville, Del.	V. E. Hills
Sharptown, Md.	R. H. Adams

Smith's Is., Md.	Daniel Wilson	Tangier Is., Va.	G. A. Cooke
	P. O. Ewell, Md.	Westover, Md.	G. F. Newton
Snow Hill, Md.	J. W. Easley	Whitesville, Del.	F. J. Cochran
Somerset, Md.	J. R. Cannon	C. P. Keen, Supt. E. S. Dist. Anti-Saloon League, member Asbury Q. Conf.	P. O. Salisbury, Md.
	P. O. Chance, Md.		
Stockton, Md.	Milton McCann		

WILMINGTON DISTRICT.

E. L. Hoffecker, District Superintendent (P. O. Wilmington, Del.).			
Bethel & Summit	Asbury Burke	Stanton, Del.	(Sup.) I. J. B. Hill
	P. O. Elkton, Md.	Town Point, Md.	(Sup.) J. O. Robinson
Cedars, Del.,	(Sup.) B. F. Jester	Wilmington, Del.—	
Charlestown, Md.	E. B. Taylor	Asbury	G. W. Dawson
Cherry Hill, Md.	D. J. Ford	Brandywine & Edgemoor,	
Chesapeake City, Md.	W. H. Kenney		F. F. Carpenter
Chester-Bethel,	Edwin Gardner		and C. W. Rutter
	P. O. Boothwyn, Pa.	Cookman	J. P. Outten
Christiana, Del.	O. H. Connelly	Eastlake	J. R. Bicking
Claymont, Del.	(Sup.) G. B. Lewis	Elsmere	(Sup.) J. H. Thornton
Colora, Md.	C. H. Williams	Epworth	W. L. S. Murray
Delaware City,	J. H. Geoghegan	Grace	G. E. Reed
Ebenezer,	E. C. Prettyman	Harrison St.	G. T. Alderson
	P. O. Newark, Del.	Hillcrest	(Sup.) T. H. Harding
Elk Neck, Md.	(Sup.) T. S. Barrett	Kingswood	To be supplied
Elkton, Md.	H. T. Quigg	Madeley	E. H. Collins
Hockessin, Del.	J. D. Reese	McCabe	F. C. MacSorley
Hopewell, Md.	C. N. Jones	Mt. Salem	S. M. Morgan
	P. O. Port Deposit, Md.	Richardson Park,	B. S. Latshaw
Kirkwood	(Sup.) O. S. Walton	St. Paul	V. S. Collins
Marshallton, Del.	J. C. McCoy	Scott	W. A. Wise
Mt. Lebanon, Del.	E. C. Wright	Silverbrook	W. E. Greenfield
	P. O. Rockland, Del.	Trinity	(Sup.) R. High Adams
Mount Pleasant	J. T. Richardson	Union	W. F. Corkran
	and J. W. Talley	Wesley	T. F. Beauchamp
	P. O. Bellevue, Del.	Zion, Md.	W. H. Briggs
New Castle, Del.	J. L. Johnson		P. O. North East, Md.
Newark, Del.	L. E. Poole		E. C. Sunfield, Cor. Sec'y Wilming-
Newport, Del.	R. P. Nichols		ton City Missionary and Ch. Ext. Soc.
North East, Md.	J. P. Otis		member of Scott Q. Conf.
Perryville, Md.	J. H. Beauchamp		J. H. Mitchell, Missionary to Salt
Port Deposit, Md.	T. A. H. O'Brien		Lake City, Utah.
Port Penn, Del. (Sup.)	Alonzo Travers		Ettori Di-Stefano, member of St.
Red Lion, Del.	J. M. Lindale		Pauls, Wilmington, Q. Conf., and C.
Rising Sun, Md.	E. C. Macnichol		W. Spry, member of Marshallton Q.
St. Georges, Del.	J. F. Anderson		Conf., left without appointments to
St. John's, Md.	J. T. Price		attend some one of our schools.
	P. O. Lewisville, Pa.		

DISCIPLINARY QUESTIONS.

1. Is the Annual Conference Incorporated According to the Requirement of the Discipline?
It is, under the laws of Delaware.
2. Who have been Received by Transfer, and from what Conference?
Ransom P. Nichols, New England.
3. Who have been Readmitted?
None.
4. Who have been Received on Credentials, and from what Churches?
None.
5. Who have been Received on Trial?
 - (a) In Studies of First Year.
Herman O. Klug, James A. Leach, Raymond L. Mowbray, Zach W. Wells.
 - (b) In Studies of Third Year.
Disston W. Jacobs.
6. Who have been Continued on Trial?
 - (a) In Studies of First Year.
Ettori Di-Stefano, Charles W. Spry.
 - (b) In Studies of Second Year.
George S. Allen, Olie H. Connelly, George F. Newton, George E. Sterling, Ivanhoe Willis.
 - (c) In Studies of Third Year.
None.
 - (d) In Studies of Fourth Year.
7. Who have been Discontinued?
None.
8. Who have been admitted into Full Membership?
 - (a) Elected and Ordained Deacons this year.
Blair S. Latshaw, David J. Moore.

- (b) Elected and Ordained Deacons previously.
None.

9. What Members are in Studies of Third Year?

- (a) Admitted into Full Membership this year.
Blair S. Latshaw, David. J. Moore.
- (b) Admitted into Full Membership previously.
None.

10. What Members are in Studies of Fourth Year?

Joseph A. Buckson, John C. B. Hopkins, William M. McCann, Harry E. Reed, Thomas J. Sard, Harry C. Shipley, Melvin E. Wheatley.

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

- (a) Elected and Ordained Elders this year.
John J. Bunting, Blanchard L. McFarland, James T. Price.
- (b) Elected and Ordained Elders previously.
None.

12. What others have been Elected and Ordained Deacons?

- (a) As Local Preachers.
None.
- (b) Under Missionary Rule.
None.
- (c) Under Seminary Rule.
Disston W. Jacobs.

13. What others have been Elected and Ordained Elders?

- (a) As Local Deacons.
None.
- (b) Under Missionary Rule.
None.
- (c) Under Seminary Rule.
None.

14. Was the Character of each Preacher examined?

This was strictly done as the name of each preacher was called in the open Conference.

15. Who have been Transferred, and to what Conferences?

Henry C. Turner, Maine.

16. Who have Died?

Elijah E. White.

17. Who have been Located at their own Request?

Oscar L. Martin.

18. Who have been Located?

None.

19. Who have Withdrawn?

None.

20. Who have been permitted to Withdraw under Charges or Complaints?

None.

21. Who have been Expelled?

None.

22. What other personal Notation should be made?

None.

23. Who are the Supernumary Ministers, and for what number of years consecutively has each held this Relation?

B. F. Jester (4), R. H. Lewis (1), Adam Stengle (5), G. W. Townsend (1), W. S. H. Williams (4), G. E. Wood (3).

24. Who are the Retired Ministers?

J. A. Arters, G. W. Bowman, G. W. Burke, James Carroll, W. P. Compton, G. S. Conaway, J. M. Collins, James Esgate, W. M. Green, T. H. Harding, T. S. Holt, T. B. Hunter, J. W. Poole, J. T. Prouse, P. H. Rawlins, Robert Roe, W. E. Tomkinson, H. S. Thompson, W. M. Warner, W. W. Redman, F. O. B. Wallin, O. S. Walton, D. H. Willis.

25. Who are the Triers of Appeals?

T. A. H. O'Brien, T. E. Terry, R. T. Cotrsey, J. P. Otis, F. F. Carpenter.

26. What is the Annual Report of the Conference Board of Home Missions and Church Extension?

See reports.

27. What is the Annual Report of the Conference Board of Foreign Missions?
See reports.
28. What is the Statistical Report?
See the Statistician's Report.
29. What is the Conference Treasurer's Report?
See the Conference Treasurer's Report.
30. What is the Aggregate of the Benevolent Collections ordered by the General Conference, as reported by the Conference Treasurer?
\$45,340.
31. What are the Claims on the Conference Fund?
\$21,185.
32. What has been raised on the Claims, and how has it been Applied.
\$15,433. See Report of Conference Stewards.
33. What is the Five Per Cent of the amount raised for the Support of Conference Claimants, and paid by the Conference Treasurer to the Board of Conference Claimants for Connectional relief?
\$613.
34. What amount has been apportioned to the Pastoral Charges within the Conference to be raised for the Support of Conference Claimants?
\$14,125.
35. Where are the Preachers Stationed?
See List of Appointments.
36. Where shall the Next Conference be held?
Berlin Md.

JOURNAL.

FIRST DAY—WEDNESDAY MORNING.

OPENING—The Forty-Fifth Session of the Wilmington Annual Conference convened in Immanuel Methodist Episcopal Church, Crisfield, Md., Wednesday, March 26, 1913, at 8.30 A. M., Bishop Joseph F. Berry of Philadelphia, presiding. After devotions the roll was called by the Secretary of the last session, 148 members and probationers answering to their names.

ORGANIZATION—On motion of E. L. Hoffecker, W. A. Wise was re-elected Secretary, naming as his assistants, W. R. Mowbray, W. E. Greenfield, L. E. Poole. On motion of C. W. Prettyman, H. G. Budd was re-elected Treasurer, naming as his assistants, J. W. Prettyman, G. C. Williams, T. R. VanDyke, V. E. Hills, J. T. Richardson, E. B. Taylor, C. T. Jones, O. E. Jones, B. L. McFarland. On motion of Robert Watt, H. A. G. Westfield was re-elected Statistical Secretary, naming as his assistants, W. E. Gunby, J. H. Geoghegan, J. L. Johnson, J. A. Brewington, A. W. Goodhand, H. B. Kelso, G. S. Thomas, G. R. Ellis, J. R. Bicking, W. H. Briggs, W. M. McCann, I. S. Whittaker, H. C. Shipley, L. B. Morgan. On motion of W. G. Koons, J. H. Wilson was appointed Conference Postmaster. The bar of the Conference was fixed at the seventh line of pews from the chancel. The hours for opening and closing were ordered at 8.30 A. M. and 12 M. A motion by V. S. Collins to amend the rules of order was laid on the table, and the rules governing the last session were adopted for the government of this session.

STEWARDS—The District Superintendents nominated the ministerial member of the Board of Stewards as follows: Dover District, W. G. Koons; Easton District, G. W. Townsend; Salisbury District, W. L. S. Murray; Wilmington District, S. M. Morgan, and they were elected, the Secretary casting the ballot of the Conference.

CHANGE OF RELATION—On motion of their District Superintendents, the relation of H. S. Thompson and D. H. Willis was changed at their own request from Effective to Retired, and that of R. H. Lewis, from Effective to Supernumerary, the latter's case being referred to the Board of Stewards.

ANTI-SHIPPING BILL—E. L. Hoffecker presented the following resolution, which was adopted, and on motion of Robert Watt, the Secretary was directed to telegraph the same to Hon. Charles R. Miller, Governor of Delaware, at the expense of the Conference.

WHEREAS, the Wilmington Annual Conference now in session in Crisfield, Maryland, composed of one hundred and eighty ministers, and

having nearly fifty thousand church members, being the largest body of christians of this peninsula, and

WHEREAS, we have heard with profound pleasure of the patriotic action of the legislature of Delaware in passing the anti-shipping bill to make effective the Webb law passed by Congress to preserve local self government of states, and parts of states, in their effort to protect themselves against the evils of the liquor traffic.

RESOLVED, First, that we commend the Congress and patriotic action of the legislature of Delaware,

RESOLVED Second, that we respectfully and earnestly urge Gov. Chas. R. Miller to sign the said bill and make it a law to protect our dry territory against the lawlessness of the liquor traffic, and the debauchery which follows.

STATISTICS—The Statistical Secretary and Conference Treasury made their call for statistics.

STANDING COMMITTEES—G. P. Jones presented and read nominations for the Standing Committees, and they were approved. (See list).

EXCUSED—On motion of E. L. Hoffecker, W. A. Wise was excused from tomorrow's session for the purpose of attending a funeral.

COMMUNICATION—The Secretary read the following communication from Mr. Melville Gambrill.

Wilmington, Del.,
March 22nd, 1913.

To the Presiding Bishop and members of the Wilmington Conference of the Methodist Episcopal Church.

Fathers and Brethren:—

Feeling a profound interest in the welfare of those members of the Conference who, by reason of age or bodily infirmity, have been or may be, compelled to retire from active service, and in the welfare of the widows and children, as well, of those who have passed, or shall pass, away, and believing that the time has come when earnest efforts should be put forth by the Conference to increase the fund already existing for their sustentation, I herewith submit to the Conference, through my pastor, George Edward Reed, the following proposition:—

That if the Conference will raise during the five years next ensuing the sum of twenty thousand dollars, the same to constitute a part of the Conference Fund already established for a similar purpose, and to be invested and the income only used for the purpose already specified, I herewith pledge myself to contribute to the said Fund, One Thousand Dollars for every Four Thousand raised, and paid in, by the Conference until the Twenty Thousand Dollars shall have been secured, thus making the Fund, Twenty-five Thousand Dollars.

Very truly yours,
Melville Gambrill.

Dr. George E. Reed presented the following resolution, which was adopted. The committee therein called for being named as follows: Ministerial—Dr. George E. Reed, W. G. Koons, V. S. Collins, C. W. Prettyman; Lay—W. O. Hoffecker, T. N. Rawlins, Dr. W. F. Hall, W. J. Downing.

WHEREAS, Mr. Melville Gambrill, a layman of the Wilmington Conference and an honored member of the Grace Church of Wilmington, has submitted to the Conference a proposition to the effect that if, during the five years next ensuing, the Conference will raise the sum of twenty thousand dollars for the benefit of claimants upon the Conference Fund for support of members of the Conference compelled by age or bodily infirmity to retire from active service or for the support of their widows and children the same to be invested under the authority of the Conference, and the income only used for the purpose specified, he will contribute one thousand dollars for every four thousand raised until the twenty thousand shall have been secured, thus making the fund twenty-five thousand dollars: and

WHEREAS, there is urgent need that the Conference Fund for this purpose should be secured as speedily as possible; therefore,

RESOLVED, That the secretary of the Conference be, and herewith is directed to convey to Mr. Gambrill the hearty thanks of the Conference for his generous proposition.

RESOLVED, Second, That we, members of the Wilmington Conference, do herewith accept the proposition by him submitted, on terms stated, and pledge ourselves to an earnest effort to raise during the five years next ensuing the sum of twenty thousand dollars, the same to be invested, as it shall be paid in, and to constitute a part of the Conference claimant Fund.

RESOLVED, Third, That a Committee of five, three ministers and two laymen, be appointed by the Presiding Bishop whose duty shall be to devise a plan for the raising of the twenty thousand dollars and to report the same at the Friday ensuing session of the Conference.

DEACONESS HOME—Dr. George E. Reed announced the gift of a Deaconess Home by Mrs. Jennie R. Field of Wilmington, Del., and the following resolution was presented and adopted.

WHEREAS, Announcement has been made to the Conference of the generous gift by Mrs. Jennie Riddle Field, of the Grace Church, Wilmington, of the spacious and elegant Building, located at 307 West Street, Wilmington, the same to be known as "The Riddle Memorial Deaconess Home," in memory of her mother, Hannah, wife of the late Reverend James Riddle, the same to be used, solely, for the accommodation and promotion of the Deaconess work of the Conference, under the auspices of the Woman's Home Missionary Society of the Wilmington Conference: therefore,

RESOLVED, That the Conference herewith expresses its high appreciation of, and thankfulness for, the generous action of Mrs. Field, and

its belief that the "Riddle Memorial Deaconess Home" will be of vast service in the promotion and development of this important and much-needed department of the work of the church.

RESOLVED, second, That we, members of the Conference, herewith extend to the women of The Woman's Home Missionary Society of the Conference, our hearty congratulations upon the increased facilities for the conduct of a branch of this important work made possible, by this noble gift.

RESOLVED, third, That the Secretary of the Conference be directed to forward to Mrs. Jennie Riddle Field, and to the President or the Conference Woman's Home Missionary Society, each, a copy of these resolutions.

On motion of V. S. Collins a rising vote of thanks was tendered Dr. Reed for the interest which he had taken in the matters involved in the foregoing communications.

DEACONESS ADMINISTRATION—C. A. Hill offered the following resolution, which was adopted.

RESOLVED, That the Wilmington Conference be and is hereby declared open territory for all forms of Deaconess Administration.

INTRODUCTION—Dr. L. T. Widerman of the Maryland Bible Society was introduced and addressed the Conference.

DRAFTS—Bishop Berry presented drafts on the Chartered Fund for Thirty Dollars (\$30.00), and on the Book Concern for Two Thousand, Five Hundred and Seventeen Dollars (\$2517.00), and they were ordered in favor of the Conference Treasurer.

METHODIST REVIEW—C. N. Jones was appointed to solicit subscriptions for the Methodist Review.

EPISCOPAL FUND—The Secretary read a communication relative to the Episcopal Fund, giving the apportionment of \$3139, to this Conference for the ensuing year, which was referred to the District Superintendents for apportionment.

REHOBOTH CHURCH—H. B. Kelso presented and read the following paper, which was adopted.

WHEREAS, The Wilmington Conference for years has had a Church in Rehoboth, Delaware, under the care of a regularly appointed pastor; and

WHEREAS, This Church is well able to supply all the religious services needed under the auspices of Methodism in Rehoboth; and

WHEREAS, Services have been conducted every summer in another Church known as Scott Methodist Episcopal Church; and

WHEREAS, Scott Church was deeded to a Board of Trustees for use as a Methodist Episcopal Church, and was at one time connected with Lewes Quarterly Conference though it has never had other than a summer resident's membership; and

WHEREAS, During a recent disastrous fire Scott Church was burned to the ground; and

WHEREAS, A majority of the Trustees of that Church seem now willing to unite the Methodist congregations in Rehoboth, therefore

RESOLVED, That the Wilmington Conference hereby request the Board of Trustees of Scott Church to convey their entire remaining property to the Trustees of Epworth Methodist Episcopal Church in Rehoboth, Del., for the sake of a united Methodism and the glory of God in Rehoboth.

EXECUTIVE SESSION—On motion of V. S. Collins it was agreed that when we adjourn it be to meet this afternoon at 2 o'clock in Executive Session, L. B. Morgan, E. W. Jones, H. B. Kelso and W. G. Harris being appointed door-keepers.

QUESTION 14—The Fourteenth Question "Was the Character of each Preacher Examined?" was taken up. Robert Watt, Superintendent of Easton District was called, his character passed and he read a report of his work. The time was extended.

EPWORTH LEAGUE—The names of the District Presidents were added to the Committee on Epworth League.

CLOSING—The Committees were called, notices were given and Conference adjourned, Bishop Berry pronouncing the benediction.

SECOND SESSION—WEDNESDAY AFTERNOON.

OPENING—Conference convened at two o'clock with Bishop Berry in the chair., T. A. H. O'Brien conducting the devotions.

JOURNAL—The reading of the Journal of the morning session was deferred.

QUESTION 14—The Fourteenth Question was resumed, E. L. Hoffecker was called. J. T. Prouse presented a bill of charges against Brother Hoffecker which by a practically unanimous vote were not entertained.

QUESTION OF LAW—"Based upon the case of Rev. E. L. Hoffecker, I, Wm. E. Tomkinson ask a ruling by the President of the Conference, when charges are preferred against a member of the Annual Conference is it lawful for the Conference to pass the following motion? "That the charges be not entertained." Wm. E. Tomkinson, Crisfield, Md., March 26th, 1913.

DECISION—"Under the Law an Annual Conference may put on trial an accused member when there has been no previous investigation, but the Conference may decline by formal vote to entertain the Charges." Jos. F. Berry.

APPEAL—Brother Tomkinson gave notice of an appeal from the ruling of the chair.

REFERENCES—On motion, J. T. Prouse and J. M. Collins were referred to the Committee on Conference Relations.

EXECUTIVE SESSION—On motion of V. S. Collins an Executive session was ordered for Friday morning, immediately after reading of the Journal for the purpose of hearing any further questions concerning character.

ADJOURNMENT—On motion, Conference adjourned Bishop Berry pronouncing the benediction.

THIRD SESSION—THURSDAY MORNING. . .

OPENING—Conference convened at 8.30 o'clock, with Bishop Berry in the chair and conducting the devotions.

JOURNAL—The Journal of the previous day's session were read and approved.

ABSENTEES—The roll of absentees was called and its further calling dispensed with, the Secretary being permitted to mark present all members known to be at the seat of the Conference.

J. A. ARTERS—The serious illness of Mrs. J. A. Arters was announced and on motion of V. S. Collins, the Secretary was requested to prepare and transmitt a letter expressing the sympathy of the Conference to Brother Arters.

EXCUSED—J. W. Easley, G. W. Hastings, F. J. Cochran were excused to attend funerals.

DELINQUENTS—The Statistical Secretary and Treasurer made calls for delinquents.

SUBSTITUTES—On motion of H. A. G. Westerfield, assistants to the Statistical Secretary were excused from the Standing Committees, names of others to be substituted where needed.

QUESTION 14—The Fourteenth Question was resumed. R. K. Stephenson and G. P. Jones, Superintendents of Dover and Salisbury Districts were called, their characters passed and they read reports of their work E. L. Hoffecker, Superintendent of Wilmington District and the Effective Elders of each of the four Districts were called and their characters passed.

TELEGRAM—Bishop Berry presented and read the following telegram from Hon. Charles R. Miller, Governor of Delaware,

Wilmington, Del., March 26, 1913.

Bishop Joseph F. Berry

Methodist Conference Crisfield, Md.

Your telegram of the 26th was delivered to me at Dover today, the bill

in question is still in the hands of the General Assembly enrolling clerks and will not be delivered to my office until the early part of next week, when received, I shall give it careful and conscientious consideration.

Charles R. Miller.

DRAFT—A draft on the Board of Conference Claimants for \$150, was announced and accepted, and, on motion, it was ordered in favor of the Conference Board of Stewards.

CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT—G. A. Cooke presented a proposed amendment to the Constitution of the Church, which was read by the Secretary, and on motion of V. S. Collins its consideration was made the order of the day for ten o'clock on Saturday.

AMENDMENT TO CONSTITUTION—Amend Article VI, Paragraph 42, Section 3, so it shall read; "The Presiding Officer of the General Conference shall decide questions of order, subject to an appeal to the General Conference. If the decision of the chair is sustained by a majority of those present and voting his decision shall stand. The presiding officer of the day, or any other General Superintendent may raise the question of law in regard to any proposed legislation. When objection has thus been entered, the entire Board of General Superintendents shall take the matter under advisement and shall report their decision as soon as possible, and their reasons for the decision. Their report shall be in writing and shall be printed in the Journal of the General Conference.

Any member of the General Conference may raise the question of law, and if he is sustained by one third of the delegates present and voting, the General Superintendents shall be required to submit their decision in writing to the General Conference. When a decision of the General Superintendents has been given, their decision may be challenged, but it shall require two thirds of those present and voting to prevail over their decision.

METHODIST BROTHERHOOD—On motion of C. P. Keen, G. C. Williams, F. F. Carpenter and V. S. Collins were made a committee to present nominations for President and Secretary of the Methodist Brotherhood of the Wilmington Conference.

H. S. THOMPSON—Upon the suggestion of Robert Watt, L. E. Barrett, C. W. Prettyman and T. E. Martindale were appointed a committee to prepare a suitable minute with reference to the retirement of H. S. Thompson.

BOARD OF EXAMINERS—Bishop Berry announced the Conference Board of Examiners as follows: (See list).

CONFERENCE EDUCATION SOCIETY—T. A. H. O'Brien presented the following nominations for Managers of the Wilmington Conference Education Society, and they were elected, the Secretary casting the ballot of the Conference. (See list).

H. C. TURNER—Bishop Berry announced the transfer of H. C. Turner to the Maine Conference.

MEMORIAL SERVICE—Conference ordered the Memorial Service for 2 o'clock on Sunday afternoon.

INTRODUCTIONS—Dr. A. G. Kynett, Recording Secretary of the Board of Home Missions and Church Extension, Dr. J. O. Spencer, President of Morgan College, Dr. D. W. Howell, Corresponding Secretary, General Deaconess Board of the Methodist Episcopal Church, Dr. C. William Prettyman of Dickinson College, Dr. Clarence T. Wilson, Corresponding Secretary of the Church Temperance Society, C. S. Sprigg of the Delaware Conference, Lewis Randall and H. H. Carroll of the Maryland Annual Conference of the Methodist Protestant Church were introduced, the first four named addressing the Conference concerning the interests which they represent.

DEACONESS BOARD—W. G. Koons presented and read a report of the Conference Deaconess Board, which was adopted. Nominations for members of the Conference Board were made and they were elected. (See list).

The Deaconess Board, reported the renewal of the licenses of Mrs. Margaret Sweet, Miss Elizabeth E. Hall, Miss Charlotte M. Arnold, Miss Emma E. Kelley, Mrs. Helen I. Benson, and Miss Ruby Davis; the licensing of Miss Lulu B. Morse; the transfer of Miss Mary E. Gould to the Southern Illinois Conference; and of Miss Elizabeth E. Hall to the New England Southern Conference; and recommended Miss Lulu B. Morse for consecration by the Bishop at this session of the Conference, and their action was approved.

ADJOURNMENT—The Committees were called notices given and Conference adjourned, Dr. Clarence T. Wilson pronouncing the benediction.

FOURTH SESSION—FRIDAY MORNING.

OPENING—Conference convened at 8.30 o'clock with Bishop Berry in the chair conducting the devotions.

JOURNAL—The Journal of yesterday's session was read and approved.

GOUCHER COLLEGE—Bishop Theodore S. Henderson of Chattanooga, Tenn., was introduced and addressed the Conference with reference to the financial crisis of Goucher College. V. S. Collins presented the following resolution, which was adopted and the committee therein called for was appointed as follows: Dover District, T. E. Terry; Easton District, L. E. Barrett; Salisbury District, T. E. Martindale; Wilmington District, George E. Reed. At large V. S. Collins.

RESOLVED, That a committee of four, one from each District, and one at large, be appointed, to serve with a like committee to be appointed by the Laymen's Association, to formulate a plan to aid in the rescue of Goucher College, and to report same at tomorrow's session.

INTRODUCTIONS—Dr. John Krantz of the New York Book Concern, Dr. Clarence T. Wilson Secretary of the Church Temperance Society, Dr. S. W. Gehrett, representing the Methodist Hospital in Philadelphia and the Methodist Times, were presented and addressed the Conference. J. J. Bunting, L. B. Morgan, G. W. Bounds, Zach W. Wells, were made a committee to solicit subscriptions for the Times. V. S. Collins presented the following resolution which was adopted.

WHEREAS, The Philadelphia Methodist, of blessed memory, has been transformed into a live, wide-awake religious weekly paper known as the Methodist Times; and

WHEREAS, under the new plan of "Residential Episcopal Supervision" the Wilmington and Philadelphia Conferences are joined in the same Episcopal group, with our well-beloved Bishop Berry as our resident Bishop; and

WHEREAS, Bishop Berry has kindly consented to use a portion of the Times regularly to be known as "The Bishop's Corner," in which he may from time to time communicate to the churches under his especial care such advice or information upon general or local subjects as he may deem of interest to us all, therefore

RESOLVED, That we most cordially commend The Methodist Times to all our people as a most valuable aid in the development of a rounded christian character and welcome it to our territory.

STEWARDS ENDOWMENT—C.T. Wyatt announced the gift of \$1000, from Mrs. William A. Clash of Cambridge, Md., to the Stewards Endowment Fund, which was accepted with rising vote of thanks, and the following paper was read and adopted.

A gift from Eben E. Payne and Maria Coke Payne his wife, of eight hundred dollars, and a gift from William A. Clash, of two hundred dollars, to be given as a permanent fund to the more and most needy of the Superannuate Ministers of the Wilmington Conference, to be placed on interest the interest to be used when due annually or semi-annually as the investment may be, Mrs. William A. Clash.

WHEREAS, The inadequate support which we have been able in the past to give our worthy veterans, who have worn themselves out in their heroic efforts to extend the kingdom, has been to us a source of embarrassment

RESOLVED, That we hereby express our gratitude to these laymen who are inaugurating plans looking toward a permanent endowment

whereby our needy claimants can be made comfortable in the eventide of life,

RESOLVED, That we gratefully acknowledge our lasting obligation to Mrs. Wm. A. Clash, of Cambridge, Md., for the magnificent gift of one thousand dollars to our Conference endowment fund in memory of her parents and husband who revered the Methodist itinerant.

RESOLVED, That we commend to all who are in position to help this cause the liberality of Mrs. Clash, trusting that many will go and do likewise.

ENDOWMENT PLAN—Dr. George E Reed presented and read a report of the committee appointed to devise a plan for the carrying out of the proposition which was made to Conference by Mr. Melville Gambrill. (See reports) The Permanent commission therein called for being created as follows: (See list).

EXCUSED—E. W. Jones was excused for the purpose of returning home to attend important pastoral work.

EXECUTIVE SESSION—Conference then entered upon an Executive Session.

QUESTION 10—The Tenth Question "What Members are in Studies of Fourth Year?" was taken up. John C. B. Hopkins, Melvin E. Wheatley, Thomas J. Sard, Harry E. Reed, William M. McCann and Harry C. Shipley were called and their characters passed. The Registrar reported, and on motion John C. B. Hopkins, Melvin E. Wheatley, Thomas J. Sard and Harry E. Reed were advanced to the Studies of the Fourth Year. William M. McCann was advanced to the Studies of the Fourth Year and conditioned on one study. Harry C. Shipley was continued in Studies of Third Year

QUESTION 11—The Eleventh Question "What Members have Completed the Conference Course of Study?" was taken up. John J. Bunting, Blanchard L. McFarland, James T. Price and Joseph A. Buckson were called and their characters passed. The Registrar reported and on motion of their District Superintendents John J. Bunting, Blanchard L. McFarland and James T. Price were graduated from the Conference Course of Study and Elected to Elders Orders. Joseph A. Buckson being continued in Studies of the Fourth Year. On motion of Robert Watt the Conference requested the Chairman of the Board of Examiners to arrange for the examination of Brother Buckson at intervals during the year.

QUESTION 6—The Sixth Question "Who have been Continued on Trial?" was taken up. Olie H. Connelly, George E. Sterling, Ivanhoe Willis, Oren B. Rice, George S. Allen, Ettore Di-Stefano and Charles W. Spry were called. The Registrar reported, the District Superintendents represented and Olie H. Connelly, George E. Sterling, Ivanhoe Willis, Oren B. Rice, and George S. Allen were Continued on Trial and advanced to

Studies of the Second Year, the latter being conditioned on one study. Ettore Di-Stefano and Charles W. Spry were continued on Trial in Studies of the First Year.

QUESTION 13—The Thirteenth Question "What others have been Elected and Ordained Elders?" was taken up, and answered in the negative.

CONFERENCE RELATION—The Committee on Conference Relations recommended in the cases of W. P. Compton and J. T. Prouse that they be placed upon the Retired list, the latter at his own request, which was done. In the case of J. M. Collins, the committee recommended that he be given notice of Location, the same to take effect one year hence, which recommendation was approved. On motion of G. P. Jones, O. L. Martin was granted a Certificate of Location at his own request.

QUESTION 23—The Twenty-Third Question "Who are the Supernumerary Ministers and for what number of years consecutively has each held this relation?" was taken up. Adam Stengle, W. S. H. Williams, B. F. Jester and George E. Wood were called their characters passed and their relation continued, the case of G. E. Wood being referred to the Board of Stewards. On motion of Robert Watt the relation of G. W. Townsend was changed from Effective to Supernumerary at his own request.

TIME—The time was extended.

QUESTION 24—The Twenty-Fourth Question "Who are the Retired Ministers?" was taken up. J. A. Arters, G. W. Bowman, G. W. Burke, James Carroll, G. S. Conaway, J. M. Collins, James Esgate, W. M. Green, T. H. Harding, T. S. Holt, T. B. Hunter, J. W. Poole, P. H. Rawlins, Robert, Roe, W. E. Tomkinson, W. M. Warner, W. W. Redman, F. O. B. Wallin, O. S. Walton, were called and their relation continued.

QUESTION 5—The Fifth Question "Who have been Received on Trial?" was taken up. Recommendations in due form were announced of Herman O. Klug, Disston W. Jacobs, Zach W. Wells, Raymond L. Mowbray and James A. Leach and they were presented to the Conference and after a series of questions propounded by Bishop Berry, they were permitted to retire. Bishop Henderson was called to the Chair. The Registrar and Committee reported in the case of Herman O. Klug, and after brief discussion on motion of V. S. Collins further consideration of the question was postponed until tomorrow morning, Conference ordered an Executive Session for 11 o'clock.

JOINT SESSION—Dr. George E. Reed, J. W. Easley and T. A. H. O'Brien were made a committee to convey the greetings of the Conference to the Laymen's Association, and with a like committee from that body to arrange if possible, for a joint session.

ADJOURNMENT—Notices were given and Conference adjourned, W. G. Koons pronouncing the benediction.

FIFTH SESSION—SATURDAY AFTERNOON.

OPENING—Conference convened at 8.30 o'clock with Bishop Berry in the chair conducting the devotions.

JOURNAL—The Journal of yesterday's session was read and approved.

QUESTION 14—The Fourteenth Question was resumed, E. L. Hofecker, District Superintendent of Wilmington District was called and read a report of his work.

EXTRA SESSION—On motion of V. S. Collins it was agreed that when we adjourn it be to meet this afternoon at 2 o'clock.

ORDER OF DAY—On motion of G. A. Cooke the order of the day was deferred until this afternoon, immediately after reading the Journal.

GOUCHER COLLEGE—T. E. Martindale presented and read a report of the Committee on Goucher College, which was adopted as follows.

RESOLVED, That we recommend to the Conference that the Conference authorize the Conference Finance Commission to apportion among the Districts of the Conference and the District Superintendents in turn apportion to the charges, the sum of Ten Thousand Dollars, to be paid in three equal annual installments, for the Goucher College, One Million Dollar campaign; and in addition thereto that the representatives of Goucher College be given the privilege of securing additional individual subscriptions from our men of means throughout the territory.

EXCUSED—Dr. George E. Reed and D. J. Givan were excused to return home on account of important pastoral work.

ANNUITY FUND—On motion of W. G. Koons the Board of Stewards were authorized to take from the Conference Claimant collection the sum of \$5,154 and apply the same to the Annuity Fund. On motion of Dr. G. E. Reed the Conference Stewards were further directed to secure an amendment to the charter under which the Stewards act, providing for authority to reserve monies on annuity bases of the plan adopted by the General Missionary Society of the Methodist Episcopal Church.

PERMANENT COMMISSION—On motion of R. K. Stephenson, T. R. Ingram was added to the permanent commission on Stewards Endowment.

WILMINGTON CITY MISSIONARY SOCIETY—E. C. Sunfield presented and read a report from the Wilmington City Missionary Society which was adopted, Conference recommending the appropriation of \$3,000, by the Parent Board for work of this Society.

H. S. THOMPSON—L. E. Barrett presented and read the following minute with reference to the retirement of Brother H. S. Thompson, which was adopted by a rising vote. Brother Thompson making brief reply thereto.

WHEREAS, Our highly esteemed and splendid Christian Brother

Henry S. Thompson feels it necessary, on account of advancing age, to ask this Conference for a change of relation from the Effective to the Retired list; therefore be it

RESOLVED, 1st, That in granting him this relation, we wish to emphasize our appreciation of his long and efficient service of over half a century in preaching Jesus Christ as the Saviour from all sin, and the Sanctifier of human nature. As a faithful watchman on the towers of our Zion, his trumpet never gave forth an uncertain sound. "This one thing I do," has been the motto of his successful ministry. He declared the "Whole Counsel of God", unclouded with doubt, speculations or uncertainties. The Bible was to him the "Word of God", and as such he proclaimed it.

RESOLVED, 2nd, We gladly give our testimony to his high Christian Character as a man, and as a Minister of Jesus Christ. In the pastorate he carried with him the high and holy principles and practice of the religion he possessed and lived. He left benedictions and blessings in homes darkened by trouble and sorrow, and in every department he "made full proof of his ministry."

RESOLVED 3rd, While we regret that he feels compelled to step out of the ranks of the active Ministry, our prayers and best wishes go with him into his retirement that his coming days may be illuminated with the glory and sunshine of the Master's presence, and that "love which never faileth." When the evening bell shall summon him to his eternal and well earned rest, may he cross the bar in the triumph of a mighty faith with full assurance of a blissful immortality, and "meet and greet his Pilot face to face."

INTRODUCTION—Alfred G. Cox an honored layman and member of our Church at Middletown, Del., was presented to the Conference. E. C. Clemans, Field Representative of the Board of Conference Claimants, was introduced and spoke respecting the work of that Board.

EXECUTIVE SESSION—Conference entered upon an Executive Session.

QUESTION 5—The Fifth Question was resumed, and after thorough consideration of each case, Disston W. Jacobs, Herman O. Klug, James A. Leach, Raymond L. Mowbray and Zach W. Wells were Received on Trial. Disston W. Jacobs being elected to Deacons Orders under the Seminary Rule and placed in Studies of the Third Year. On motion of Robert Watt the District Superintendents were advised, in the future, to counsel young men against marrying before completing the preparatory Course.

NOMINATIONS—G. C. Williams presented nominations for officers of the Methodist Brotherhood of the Wilmington Conference, as follows: President—W. J. Downing; Secretary—F. F. Carpenter, and they were elected.

QUESTION 8—The Eighth Question "Who have been Admitted into Full Membership?" was taken up. Blair S. Latshaw and David J. Moore were called to the bar of the Conference, the usual Disciplinary Questions were propounded and they retired. The Registrar reported, the District Superintendents represented and on motion they were admitted into Full Membership, elected to Deacons Orders and passed to Studies of the Third Year.

REFERENCE—On motion of E. L. Hoffecker the case of B. F. Jester was referred to the Board of Stewards.

ADJOURNMENT—Notices were given and Conference adjourned, Bishop Berry pronouncing the benediction.

SIXTH SESSION—SATURDAY AFTERNOON.

OPENING—Conference convened at 2 o'clock, S. M. Morgan in the chair and R. H. Adams conducting devotions.

JOURNAL—The Journal of the morning session was read and approved.

STEWARDS ENDOWMENT—T. E. Terry read a report of the committee on Stewards Endowment which was adopted (see reports). V. S. Collins presented the following resolution, after considerable discussion the "previous question" was ordered, the main question was put and the resolution was adopted.

RESOLVED, That the District Superintendents be instructed to call the attention of every Quarterly Conference to the imparative needs of our Conference Endowment Fund, and urge every charge to contribute to our Endowment Fund a sum, at least, the equivalent to one per cent of the pastor's salary.

At 2.45 o'clock Bishop Berry assumed the chair.

ORDER OF DAY—The order of the day was called, G. A. Cooke addressed the Conference with reference to the proposed amendment to the Constitution of the Church. A motion by J. W. Easley to defer consideration until the next Annual Conference and to publish in the minutes was laid on the table. After extended remarks by Brother Cooke the "previous question" was called, the main question was put and the paper was adopted by a count vote of 68 to 34.

ANTI-SALOON LEAGUE—C. P. Keen presented and read a report of his work as Superintendent of the Eastern Shore Anti-Saloon League, which was accepted and the following resolutions were adopted.

WHEREAS, The Wilmington Conference of the Methodist Episcopal Church, representing a large constituency of the moral and Christian citizenship in the nine Eastern Shore counties of Maryland, receives the defeat of the Anti-Saloon League's state-wide Local Option bill by the last Maryland Legislature with the utmost defiance to the liquor interests, and

WHEREAS, we view with abhorrence the spectacle of the Maryland Legislature subservient to the domination of a vicious special interest like the liquor traffic, and

WHEREAS, we recognize that a legislature controlled by the liquor traffic, is, in the very nature of the case, an enemy of the public welfare in many other matters,

THEREFORE resolved, that we express our hearty endorsement of the action of the Anti-Saloon League of Maryland, which is the duly accredited agency of our church for co-operation in the warfare against the liquor traffic, in declaring that it will drop the Local Option bill in case it should be defeated, and go directly for a constitutional prohibition amendment, for while we do not ask that the League abandon the Local Option bill entirely, if, in the League's judgment, that course should not be wise we do believe that the League should be in a position to take advantage of the rapidly growing Temperance sentiment caused by the refusal of the Legislature to accede to the demands of the people for more moderate legislation, by having introduced side by side with the Local Option bill a prohibition amendment, and be prepared to push it in case the Local Option bill should again be defeated.

And we respectively urge in case the bill should be defeated because of a split among the opponents of the liquor ring, that the League go ahead for prohibition anyhow, and

RESOLVED further, that this resolution be spread upon our minutes, and a copy signed by the Presiding Bishop, and Secretary, be forwarded to the Headquarters committee of the Maryland Anti-Saloon League for consideration as the official action of this body.

BIBLE—W. P. Taylor presented and read a report of the committee on Bible, which, on motion, was recommitted for certain corrections.

FREEDMANS AID—J. H. Gardner presented and read the report of the committee on Freedmans Aid, which was adopted.

ADJOURNMENT—Announcements were made and Conference adjourned, Bishop Berry pronouncing the benediction.

SEVENTH SESSION—SUNDAY AFTERNOON.

OPENING—Conference convened at 2 o'clock with W. L. S. Murray in the chair and P. H. Rawlins conducting devotions.

MEMOIRS—T. E. Martindale presented and read the memoir of Elijah Emory White, G. L. Hardesty that of Mrs. Emily Dushane Bloxton, W. E. Gunby that of Mrs. Mary Elizabeth Carter Goodhand, R. K. Stephenson that of Mrs. Susan Cooper Baynard. After appropriate remarks by several of the brethren, Conference adjourned.

EIGHTH SESSION—MONDAY MORNING.

OPENING—Conference convened at 8.30 o'clock with Bishop Berry in the chair conducting the devotions.

JOURNAL—The Journals of Saturday afternoon and of the Memorial Sessions were read and approved.

SUNDAY SCHOOL LITERATURE—R. T. Coursey presented and read a paper relative to an alleged abuse of our Sunday School Literature, pending its adoption, a motion to lay on the table was lost. T. E. Martindale moved to refer the papers to a committee of five for consideration and report at this session. A motion to lay this on the table was lost and the committee was ordered as follows. (See list).

DR. MARTINDALE—L. E. Barrett presented and read the following resolution which was adopted by a rising vote.

WHEREAS, At the session of the Wilmington Conference to be held in Berlin in 1914, our beloved and honored brother Dr. Thomas E. Martindale will complete a splendid and successful ministry of 50 years in the Methodist itineracy, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That it will give this Conference a great deal of pleasure and profit, if he will consent to preach a semi-centennial sermon on that occasion, and we most respectfully and heartily request him to do so.

CONFERENCE ACADEMY—T. E. Martindale presented and read the report of the Trustees of the Wilmington Conference Academy, pending its adoption, H. G. Budd, Principal of the Academy, addressed the Conference with respect to his year's work and the report was adopted.

ORDINATION CERTIFICATE—Bishop Berry presented the following certificate of ordination.

CERTIFICATE OF ORDINATION.

This is to certify, that on the Thirtieth day of March Nineteen Hundred and Thirteen, I ordained Disston W. Jacobs, Blair S. Latshaw and David J. Moore as **Deacons**; and, assisted by several Elders, I ordained John J. Bunting, Blanchard L. McFarland and James T. Price as **Elders** in the Church of Christ, they having been duly elected to the above orders respectively by the Wilmington Annual Conference.

Done at

Crisfield, Md.

JOS. F. BERRY,
Presiding Bishop.

BUREAU OF SESSIONS—V. S. Collins presented and read the report of the Bureau of Sessions and the general report was adopted, together with recommendation 1, to strike out all of paragraph V of the original plan as adopted in 1912, and W. L. White, V. S. Collins and Henry P. Cannon were re-elected members of the Bureau. W. E. Greenfield announced a balance \$131.68 remaining in his hands from last session, which was ordered turned over to the Entertainment Bureau.

QUESTION 36—The Thirty-sixth question "Where shall the next Conference be held?" was taken up. T. R. VanDyke extended an invitation upon the old plan from Berlin, Md., which was unanimously accepted.

REPORTS—Reports from the Committees on Bible, Methodist Hospital in Philadelphia, Sunday Schools, W. F. M. Society, Sabbath Observance, W. H. M. Society, Epworth League, Education, Periodicals, and Auditing were read and adopted.

NOMINATIONS—Nominations for the Conference Board of Home Mission and Church Extension, Conference Board of Foreign Missions, Conference Board of Church Location, District Missionary Secretaries, Domestic Missions and Church Federation were made and confirmed.

CONFERENCE BOARD OF HOME MISSIONS AND CHURCH EXTENSION—W. R. Mowbray read the report of the Conference Board of Home Missions and Church Extension which was adopted.

OFFICIAL JOURNAL—On motion of W. E. Tomkinson the Secretary was authorized to edit the minutes and that edition was made the Official Journal.

TRUSTEES—C. W. Prettyman, V. P. Northrup, T. A. H. O'Brien, were made a Committee to nominate Trustees of the Wilmington Conference Academy which they did as follows: T. E. Martindale, R. H. Adams, E. C. Macnichol, H. T. Quigg, Adam Stengle, T. A. H. O'Brien, Alfred Smith, F. J. Cochran, V. S. Collins and J. W. Colona. F. F. Carpenter, W. F. Dawson, G. C. Williams and W. O. Hurst were appointed tellers, the vote was taken and the tellers retired.

CONFERENCE EDUCATION SOCIETY—V. S. Collins presented and read the report of the Wilmington Conference Education Society which was adopted, together with the following resolution.

WHEREAS, the Discipline of 1912 in paragraph 452 makes it the duty of each Annual Conference to organize within its bounds an Annual Conference Board of Education, with certain prescribed duties; and

WHEREAS, we already have a Conference Educational Society, well organized and legally incorporated, that is practically doing the work prescribed by the Discipline for this new organization; therefore be it

RESOLVED, that we as a Conference elect the Wilmington Conference Education Society as our Annual Conference Board of Education and refer to it the duties laid upon such Board by paragraph No. 452.

BOARD OF STEWARDS—W. G. Koons presented and read the report of the Board of Stewards, which was adopted. The following being nominated and confirmed Trustees of Claimant Funds: Robert Watt for Mrs. Annie D. Chatham, Mrs. Jennie R. Field, for Sarah V. Creamer, G. P. Jones for Hamiline Miller, C. L. Mead for Pauline E. Bloxston and G. L. Hardesty for Frances W. Bloxston.

SUNDAY SCHOOL LITERATURE—R. T. Coursey presented a report of the special Committee to whom was referred the paper on Sunday School Literature which was adopted as follows:

WHEREAS, for a period of seven years our Conference has been protesting against the higher critical use being made of our Sunday School literature, and

WHEREAS, up to the present time, little attention has been paid to these protests, and

WHEREAS, our Conference, together with other Annual Conferences, prayed the recent General Conference for relief, but received none, therefore be it

RESOLVED, that we call upon the authorities of the Church to bring these offending brethren promptly to trial in their Annual Conferences,

RESOLVED, further we hereby give notice to the proper authorities that unless this remedy is applied we will exercise our constitutional rights.

On motion of W. F. Corkran the Committee was continued with instructions to follow up the matter presented in the resolutions and see, as far as lies in their power, that these resolutions were made effective and that the abuse complained of be remedied.

TRANSFER—Bishop Berry announced the transfer to this Conference of R. P. Nichols from the New England Conference.

REQUEST—Bishop Berry was requested to appoint C. P. Keen Superintendent of the Eastern Shore District Anti-Saloon League and W. C. Poole Superintendent of the Delaware District.

TRUSTEES REPORT—V. S. Collins presented the report of the Trustees of the Wilmington Annual Conference which was adopted.

COLLECTION—A Collection was ordered for expenses of the minutes, the sexton, Post-Master, Registrar and Statistical Secretary, the same was taken and amounted to \$86, which was paid out as follows: For Minutes \$23, Registrar \$8.50, Postmaster, \$10, Statistical Secretary \$2.85, Sexton, \$42.

SUBSTITUTION—The name of J. J. Bunting was substituted for that of V. S. Collins, at the latter's request, on the list of visitors to Dickinson College.

ADJOURNMENT—Notices were given and Conference adjourned Bishop Berry pronouncing the benediction.

NINTH SESSION—MONDAY AFTERNOON.

OPENING—Conference convened at 2 o'clock with Bishop Berry in the chair and conducting devotions.

JOURNAL—The Journal of the morning session was read and approved.

TELLERS—W. O. Hurst read the results of the vote for Trustees of the Conference Academy as follows, whole number of votes cast 106, Defective 2, necessary to a choice 53, T. E. Martindale received 92, R. H. Adams 73, T. A. H. O'Brien 58, Alfred Smith 54, V. S. Collins 53 and they were declared elected.

TRUSTEE—John S. Mullin was nominated and elected a member of the Board of Trustees of the Episcopal Residence in Philadelphia.

RECOMMENDATION—G. P. Jones presented the following recommendations of appropriation by the General Committee on Home Missions and Church Extension, for English work \$1250, Italian and Polish work \$2000, work in the city of Wilmington \$1000 and they were confirmed.

FINANCE COMMISSION—Conference ordered the creation of a Commission on Finance, the District Superintendents to name the members.

REPORTS—The Statistical Secretary and Treasurer made their reports.

DATE OF SESSION—On motion of A. P. Prettyman Bishop Berry was requested, if possible, to arrange the date so as to convene the next session of Conference not earlier than the fourth week in March.

RECONSIDERATION—G. S. Williams moved to reconsider the action of Saturday afternoon adopting the paper on the proposed change in the Constitution of the Church. A motion to lay on the table was lost, after discussion, the motion to reconsider prevailed and, on motion of J. W. Easley, further consideration of the paper was deferred one year.

AMEND RULES—V. S. Collins presented the following recommendations amending the rules of examination, which were adopted as amended. On motion of Robert Watt the Board of Examiners were requested to arrange for a mid-year examination and the under-graduates were advised to attend this examination.

Adopted March 31, 1913, Strike out the resolution adopted March 27, 1895 and insert instead. Part of paragraph 568, section 5, reading as follows:

"A certificate of graduation from a high school or academy of good standing may be accepted in place of an examination in "Elementary English Branches."

Also recommend the adoption of Section Nos. 1 and 2 of paragraph 568 Discipline 1912 as our rule for examination.

TRIERS OF APPEALS—Bishop Berry announced the Triers of Appeals as follows, T. A. H. O'Brien, T. E. Terry, R. T. Coursey, F. F. Carpenter and J. P. O'Is and they were confirmed.

THANKS—F. F. Carpenter presented the report of the Committee on Thanks which was adopted.

CAPITAL AND LABOR—E. L. Hoffecker presented the following paper which was adopted.

The Gospel of the Kingdom of God is sent to all and offered to all men upon the same terms. God is the father of all, and all men are the offspring of God, and therefore brethren. The Church of Jesus Christ is a democracy of equals. There is no servant and no master.

These propositions being self-evident, we look with favor upon the efforts that are now being made to pass laws for the shortening the hours of labor, and laws for the protection of human life in mine and mill, and in all dangerous employments. We sympathize with a more equitable distribution of wealth, so that the masses of our fellow men may have a just share of the fruits of their toil. We sympathize with every wise effort made to establish justice as between man and man, and we hail with pleasure the signs of the dawning of a brighter era; the coming of civic and economic justice in our country. The church has always been the friend of the people and will continue to encourage them until the Kingdom of God shall be realized upon the earth.

We favor laws which will secure one day's rest in seven for toilers in every line of employment. The moral and economic value of such rest can not be successfully disputed. We favor reducing the hours of labor to the lowest point consistent with the exigency of successful business in different lines of trade.

We favor the protection of children and protest against their sacrifice to Moloch on the altar business. Children are wards, and need all the protection that can be provided by the State.

INTRODUCTION—Walter H. Waygood, representing the Atlantic Agency, American Bible Society was introduced and addressed the Conference. On motion of Robert Watt it was agreed that after devotions, hearing the Journal and reading of the Appointments, Conference Stand adjourned without date.

V. S. Collins presented and read the following resolution which was adopted and the Commission therein called for created as follows, Dover District, W. G. Koons, J. W. Colona; Easton District, C. W. Prettyman, C. T. Wyatt; Salisbury District, G. C. Williams, E. H. Dashiell; Wilmington District, V. S. Collins, S. M. Morgan. The Laymen to be those named by the Laymen's Association.

RESOLVED, that with the present high cost of living it is our deliberate judgement that the minimum salary of a single man in this Conference should be \$600 and that the minimum salary for a married man \$800, and

RESOLVED, that our District Superintendents be earnestly requested to endeavor to so arrange the work, and so recommend to the Domestic Missionary Society that the spirit of this resolution may be observed

RESOLVED, that a Commission be appointed to consist of the District Superintendents two ministers and two laymen from each District to carry into effect the above resolution so far as possible.

CLOSING—The Journal was read and approved and after prayer by Bishop Berry, the appointments were announced, the benediction was given and Conference adjourned.

JOSEPH F. BERRY, President.

W. A. WISE, Secretary.

REPORTS OF DISTRICT SUPERINTENDENTS.

DOVER DISTRICT.

With a deep sense of unworthiness and gratitude to our Heavenly Father for life, health and the privilege of service, we come to render a report of the work done and victories won on Dover District in the Conference year just closing.

There have been no changes of pastors nor have there been any deaths in the immediate parsonage homes, but sorrow has come to the home and hearts of Brother W. L. White and family, pastor of Wesley Church, Dover. Their eldest son, William S. White, a successful business man of New York, in his 37 year, after an operation which the Doctors thought not to be of a serious character, was suddenly taken worse and passed away before his parents could reach his bedside. Brother White and family have the prayers and sympathy of their people, and of his brethren in the ministry,—God doeth all things well.

Sickness has touched a number of the brethren. Bro. Jos. A. Buckson early in June was hurried to the hospital one night at Cambridge, Md. After consultation, an operation for appendicitis was performed, which left him in a very weak condition throughout the entire summer. He returned to his work in September invigorated and strengthened for service. The work was supplied in his absence by Bro. Ira J. D. Hill, who immediately took up the work and had a glorious revival, resulting in the conversion of possibly a half hundred souls. For the last three weeks he has been down with the grippe and it is questionable whether he will be able to attend the Conference Session.

Brother O. E. Jones of Seaford, was compelled to undergo an operation of a painful character for obstruction of the nasal organs. Through the kindness of the people of his charge, he was enabled to spend six weeks

in Florida, resting and recuperating his health. The brethren very kindly aided the pulpit committee in supplying for the services.

Brother Thomas E. Terry, pastor at Federalsburg, was taken sick in the winter and for a few weeks was out of his pulpit. By the prayers of the people and the help of the Lord he recovered his strength and has been going full duty for two months or more.

It is a matter of great regret that in securing grounds for church or parsonage, there has been such great laxity in procuring deeds, inserting the disciplinary clause, and having the same recorded. It has been my effort ever since I have been serving as District Superintendent, as far as possible, to have every church know the condition of its church property, hunt up the deed, see if same is recorded and have copy of such deed recorded in the church record of the charge. Furthermore, as far as possible to have the Board of Trustees of the respective churches incorporated. The brethren have worked hard, and we are more and more knowing the condition of the church property and where defects are found, if possible have them remedied.

The new church at Cambridge, Md., was completed and dedicated on Sunday June 16. The sermon was preached by Bishop Thomas B. Neely, and in the evening of this day the church was appropriately dedicated. The church is eligibly located, occupying a large lot on the corner of two prominent streets in the residential or western part of the city. It is of Port Deposit granite with towers, spacious Sunday School room with separate class rooms, and rooms for departments and grades.

The auditorium is large with beautiful windows and in every way up to date, and the object of pardonable pride with the people of the City. The cost of this structure was about \$65,000, \$19,560 have been paid this year, \$12,800 in hand in subscription, payable in 2 years, and \$5,500 is now available from sale of lot of old church. The pastor has given all his time, thought, and energy in leading the host of noble givers. It is only fair to say that while these people have faced so many demands, they have been prompt in paying salary, and have kept up their benevolences for the year.

At the close of last Conference year, a wind storm blew down and destroyed Peppers church on Zoar circuit. The people have divided as to the need of a structure in its place, but the earnest solicitation of the people, and the zeal, skill, and industry of the pastor, led to the building of a very much more modern and comfortable structure than the one that was destroyed. The location by Quarterly Conference action was changed, and a larger plot of ground was secured and the pastor with his own hands and skill, and with but little assistance, built the new structure. The cost of this church in actual cash was \$681.00 and it is valued at \$1500 and insured for \$1000. The church was dedicated Feb. 16th by the District Superintendent, leaving but a small indebtedness of less than \$300.00.

The church at Wyoming, together with the parsonage, occupying a

large plot of ground with extensive lawn in front, decided that they would move the church and parsonage nearer the street line, built a Sunday School room, put in a heat plant, carpeted the church, re-seated with modern circular pews, and give such attention to the parsonage as was needed, and thus beautified, modernized and provided more comfortable and enlarged quarters for their congregation, Sunday School and social means of grace. This improvement cost \$5,443. The re-opening took place on the 29th of December, 1912, and the management of the finances, as well as the preaching of the sermon was conducted by Dr. John Krantz, New York. The cash and subscription raised on this day, together with some provisions assumed by the trustees, covered the indebtedness. This pastor, as every other who has a church enterprise of equal proportion, gave close attention and hard work to secure its accomplishment.

Our new church at Lewes has been laboring earnestly to meet the obligations that rest upon their beautiful edifice. \$1800 has been paid this year. The period of two years, on the basis of which subscriptions were made on the day of dedication, will expire in May of this year. Every effort is being made to pay off the entire indebtedness in a great celebration in the above named month.

Georgetown has inaugurated plans of monthly payments on the debt on their parsonage. Individuals have readily and largely subscribed to this indebtedness, and this year they have paid about \$600.00 on their new parsonage.

Crapo has made needed improvements at the parsonage and this year the entire indebtedness of \$356.00 has been wiped out.

Greenwood with a long standing debt on their church, made a determined effort and have paid off the mortgage of nearly \$800.00 besides making improvements to the amount of 300 or more dollars. This charge has paid in the last two years for all purposes \$5000, thus leaving the churches in improved condition, neat and attractive and all debts paid.

The church at Lincoln City has steadily reduced its debt in three years from \$2500 to \$400; having paid this year \$600. The \$400 yet to be paid will relieve their beautiful and commodious church from all indebtedness. Too much credit cannot be given to the pastor.

Our church at Rehoboth had purchased for itself a comfortable and eligible parsonage. The membership is comprised of people of moderate means. They have done everything in order to pay a salary to a pastor, who is much needed at this important point, and have been unable to reduce their indebtedness very much. Plans have been inaugurated, and as carefully and industriously worked as circumstances would permit.

We have a unique condition of affairs at Rehoboth. Years ago there was purchased a lot by Mr. J. Taylor Gause of Wilmington and a church erected thereupon. This was for a place of worship for summer residents. As the town has grown, and the inaugurators of this movement felt that something must be done, the property was deeded to a Board of Trustees of

the Methodist Episcopal Church, and the same connected with the Quarterly Conference of Lewes. The church was controlled and supported almost entirely by the summer residents. After a time there was purchased a lot and a church erected thereupon, in the western part of the town. This church has been used the year round and was connected with the Nassau charge, but now, together with Ebenezer, a charge itself.

On the 22nd of February, there was a fire that destroyed much property in the town of Rehoboth, including the church built by the summer residents. It is the hope and desire of the Methodists, who live in the town, that there shall be but one Methodist church, and it is the sincere hope and desire that arrangements can be made to this end. The parsonage property has been offered for sale, feeling that if a suitable price can be obtained for the same, a less expensive and equally comfortable home for the pastor, may be built, and thus Rehoboth is seeking to relieve itself of the incubus of a debt of \$1200.

One of the triumphs of the District in debt paying, was at Hooper's Island. These Islands are four in number, and each has a church, but only one of the four had a male member until revival this winter.

C. H. Hudson a supply, found a discouraged people, with heavy mortgage held by a man, who had made a loan of \$1100 and in addition to his interest, demanded a bonus of \$50. Now he threatens to foreclose the mortgage and take from a weak and discouraged people the only church of any strength. With a voice full of song and a determination to win, this man went to work; with the help of friends and the gift of \$350 from the Church Extension Society, and the loan of \$500, cleared the debt of nearly \$1400.

Camden church has greatly improved the lecture room by removing walls, and placing windows, painting and laying cement pavements at a cost of \$600 all of which is paid.

Federalsburg has improved their church property, by painting the parsonage and placing a new roof on same. The church received a general overhauling, placing a new pulpit, enlarged choir accommodations and the building of a new quarters for the junior and primary departments, at a cost of about \$1500 and the same is all paid.

Dover has spent \$500 on heat plant and paint.

Frederica has put in electric lights at a cost of \$158.00.

Hurlock installed a splendid heat plant, laid carpet and other improvements at a cost of \$1500.

Milford has enlarged its parsonage grounds, placed a heat plant, and painted the pastor's home at a cost of \$1500.

Seaford has built a primary room for their large and growing school, costing \$1031.

Lepsic improved church property at cost of \$300.00 and paid \$100.00 on the parsonage debt, and other smaller amounts.

It is with a feeling of gratification and pride we call attention to our

educational institution, located at Dover, Delaware, our Conference Academy. Our new principal, Brother H. C. Budd, has not only raised the standard, but has sought in every way to maintain the good name and work of the institution. The number of boarders this year has very materially surpassed that of last year, while the day students have more than doubled. The introduction of the kindergarten has been a taking feature. The employment of a deaconess as a preceptress has proven to be a very helpful influence to the student body among our young ladies. The new gymnasium has been a source of pleasurable profit to the boys and girls of the school. The principal, being an athlete, has been of great service to the physical development of our boys, while the preceptress instructs the girls. The religious life of the student body is marked. Many of the boys are studying for the ministry and there is maintained on Sunday morning a Young Men's Class, that is largely attended and deeply spiritual, and the religious influence that is exerted by the young men, who are professed Christians, over those who are not, has been the means of bringing many of them into a saved condition.

I have made special inquiry in the Quarterly Conference concerning the work of the Sunday School, and find the schools in the towns, generally well officered and up on the work. Most of the larger schools having adopted the graded work in some departments. Milford has organized a men's bible class, under the leadership of the pastor, and the class has grown so large that the class is compelled to occupy the Auditorium and the pastor occupies the pulpit to teach the lesson. Membership is 225 with an average attendance of 190.

In the country schools they are using the Berean lessons, and what to me is a sad and deplorable fact, they depend almost entirely upon the leaves themselves for their Bible study and seldom is there seen in the hands of a teacher or scholar, a Bible, unless it is for occasional reference, and in one school not long ago when a question arose concerning facts, and we wanted to consult the Bible as to the facts, it was with difficulty that we found one Bible in the school.

The Epworth League has made advanced steps during the year. A most interesting convention was held in November at Denton, Md. Bro. Leolan Jackson, the President, provided a most interesting program. We found the people of Denton in the midst of a great revival. The convention caught the spirit and entered into the work. We were fortunate in securing the services of Rev. W. F. Sheridan, D. D., Corresponding Secretary of the Epworth League, who gave a stirring address and at once entered into the evangelistic services. Brother McWilliams of Chester, occupied the second evening and likewise entered into the evangelistic services and many were converted. H. A. G. Westerfield was elected President, and W. G. Koons, Superintendent of the Junior work. Since the convention a number of Chapters, both Senior and Junior have been organized.

The matter of the Barretts Chapel Endowment has been receiving

attention by the pastor Bro. F. J. Cochran, who is largely responsible for the inauguration of the plan. He has consulted many of our Bishops, possibly all, advised with interested laymen, and has in every laudable way sought to keep this worthy cause before the minds of those who glory in our history and desire to preserve this historic place of worship.

District Superintendents were requested to bring this matter before their Quarterly Conferences, and ask that any interested ones would make a voluntary contribution. This however did not bring very general or generous response, indeed the gifts of persons outside our territory aggregated a larger amount than those within our borders.

Our Funds are deposited with the Home Mission and Church Extension Society, Phila.

The Committee of Barrett's Chapel Endowment, at the last session of our Conference drafted and recommended that a memorial be sent to the General Conference and that our ministerial and lay delegation seek to secure such legislation as will give this church an Endowment of \$50.00.

The amount reported last year as the gift of the church to this cause was three hundred and ten dollars (\$310.00).

Since then there has been received \$192.00 making the amount now to our credit with the Home Mission and Church Extension Society \$502.00.

The question of benevolences occupied the thought of the Superintendent and Pastor throughout the entire year. As early as possible, apportionments, to serve as guides for the pastors in raising their benevolences, are sent out and the pastors requested to regard this table as the minimum, and most of them have come promptly and faithfully to regard the same.

There has been a confusion to the pastors arising out of the fact that apportionments have been sent to the District Superintendents who has sought to distribute them according to his best judgement, and this has been followed by representatives of the various causes represented in the apportionments that have already been sent out, and Conference resolutions as to moneys to be raised by the respective charges for special causes demanding collections on certain per cent of the salary or membership, and urgent requests for the sending in to the respective treasuries at once, the moneys collected. This has greatly embarrassed the work of the pastor and the Superintendent. All these things have a tendency to confuse and discourage, and as one of the Superintendents, I question the wisdom of such a course. The collections this year, as far as reports have come to the Superintendents indicate an advance along all lines.

While we have given special attention to church property, its title, condition, and have sought to make our churches comfortable and creditable, the parsonage home pleasant and convenient for the occupants, and while we have sought to look after the benevolences of the church to serve the interest home and abroad, we have sought to make the dominant note, the Salvation of Souls.

We have sought to use every occasion and agency to secure the con-

version and care for the children. Junior League and Sunday Schools have sought to bring them to a decision and indoctrinate and establish them in the faith, acquaint them with our glorious church history, and make first Christians, and them Methodists out of them.

The reports as they have come to me tell of great victories won. signally among them is the great revival at Harrington.

Crapo charge that has made very marked advance along all lines, salary and benevolences, was blessed with a gracious revival and eighty-five souls were saved and added to the church.

Raymonds, on Lepsic charge, built in 1787, where the people felt the doors might as well be closed, had a gracious revival. Forty souls were saved and it is very alive that it has run its Sunday School all winter.

There are others, where though the number of conversions may not have marked so high, have received a great spiritual uplift.

The number of conversions as given to me by the reports of the pastors for the year is 1126.

I am also inquiring diligently how many accessions out of the number of conversions and I find about 75 per cent.

The work of the year is done. If we have failed anywhere, we ask our Heavenly Father's kind consideration. If there has been success, to Him be the glory.

R. K. STEPHENSON.

EASTON DISTRICT.

It is an open secret that these annual reports are by not a few considered a sort of "necessary evil" to be endured with as good a grace as possible, so much so that some facetious brethren have gone so far as to suggest that "leave to print" might be a graceful way to relieve the patience of the conference and save valuable time. This conception of the situation is based upon the theory that these annual reviews are chiefly for the exploiting of the supposed skill and talents of the District Superintendents. His share in the glory of the achievements of his district is relative only. No general ever won a battle without an army, and an army made up of men who for the sake of their country's weal counted not their lives dear unto themselves.

The long day of service, a day, withal, full of the sunshine and good cheer of a gentle, faithful, consecrated minister of Jesus Christ, came to a close last December in the Oxford parsonage, when the Rev. Elijah Emery White went to his crowning. Truly "a father in Israel has fallen." His gracious, courtly, kindly bearing; his great loving heartedness, his magnanimous disposition, made him always a delightful companion. A frequent guest in his home furnished me abundant opportunity to know him in his inner life, a life as unsoiled by selfishness as a child's, as pure as a lily.

He has responded to his last roll call, but he hears a more welcome sound in the "well done good and faithful servant" from the lips of the Master whom he so long and ardently served.

In the early summer R. H. Lewis, one of the most talented and effective of our younger ministers, was forced by failing health to give up his work at Galena. The church was fortunate enough to secure Dr. Alfred Smith, who, through providential circumstances was able to respond to this urgent call. He has met the crisis and enabled a loyal people to maintain an enviable record.

Three notable anniversaries have been held on the District. St. Michaels, V. P. Northup, pastor, observed its 135 anniversary. With wisdom and skill brother Northup determined to signalize this rare event by wiping out a troublesome floating debt, the accumulation of many years. So well did he plan that when the preacher of the day, the inimitable Dr. Krantz, arrived, he found the work of debt raising comparatively easy. The full amount, \$1700 was secured two-thirds of it in cash. The ministry of brother Northup has proven a blessing to St. Michaels Methodism.

September the 29th marked the 107 anniversary of Royal Oak, and also the first anniversary of the new church. H. T. Quigg was preacher. The sermon was equal to the occasion. Ivanhoe Willis has been the efficient pastor for the past two years, the man who follows brother Willis will need to be alert and resourceful for he has made the work go tremendously.

The second week in November was set apart by J. B. C. Hopkins, pastor of Trappe, to commemorate the 100th anniversary of the introduction of Methodism in that place. The writer preached November the 10th to an audience that crowded the church. The week's services that followed were characterized by spiritual enthusiasm and fruitfulness. No church in our Conference has passed through a more trying ordeal than this church, caused by the mad riots of an unbridled fanaticism which but for the steadfast loyalty of the faithful few, who, remained true, would have destroyed Methodism in Trappe. For three years brother Hopkins has by dint of consecrated energy and sanctified tact brought the church back to its early strength.

The condition of the Epworth League on the district is far from what it might be. In some of the churches where once a flourishing League existed it has altogether disappeared, in others it is kept alive in a sort of formal and perfunctory fashion. The problem confronted is serious, and its proper solution calls for "wisdom from on high." Much, of course, lies with the pastor, but he alone is not equal to the crisis. That a solution for this problem will be found I doubt not, but it will involve a sacrificial devotion to the welfare of the church that in certain quarters is practically lacking. There are several effective Senior Leagues on the district, but in every such instance the leadership of the pastor is ably supplemented by capable and consecrated young people. The Junior League is second to none in the whole church as well be proven by the fact that it won the

Pennant offered by the Central Office to the District League that made the most points in attendance, studies, and special work. The healthy condition of the Junior League is due in very large measure to the Superintendent, Miss Carrie Dempsey. The labors of this devoted Christian girl show what can be done when the youth of the church are willing to employ their time and talents in the work of the church.

The most extensive improvement was at Sherwood on Bayside charge, John White, pastor, where contemplated alterations in the old edifice finally culminated in a beautiful new church. The dedicatory sermon was preached by Leonard White of Cordova, son of the present pastor. The entire cost was provided for in cash and reliable pledges. Its total cost of \$3500 is a marvel of economy showing wise and skillful management on the part of the building committee of which W. F. Rowelenson, Esqr., was chairman.

Still Pond church, F. X. Moore pastor, was thoroughly renovated at a cost of \$1600, every dollar of which is paid. With its newly decorated auditorium, and new carpet, this church, one of the oldest in the territory, is not only greatly improved, but is keeping well up to its traditional glory. In addition to the improvement at Still Pond \$3000 is available for the beginning of a new church at Betterton.

Two years ago Ivanhoe Willis performed a miracle in the work he did at Royal Oak, for its new church is still the wonder of the town. This year brother Willis has done for the Tunis Mills what he accomplished last year for Royal Oak. With its metal walls and ceiling, new pews and carpet, the little church is a thing of beauty, and its cost \$1200, is fully provided for in cash and good subscriptions. A modern heating plant in the Easton church meets a long felt need, and with the additions to the property last year makes this church one of the best equipped in the conference. The pastor, W. E. Gunby, is identifying himself and the church with the community life. The parsonage at Centreville is made comfortable by a complete hot water system, at a cost of \$500. In a note to the writer C. W. Prettyman, the happy pastor says: "It is high noon at Centreville, and all is well." At Rock Hall, J. W. Prettyman led in a movement that not only cleared away an annoying debt, but in re-carpeting the audience room, and the addition of a steam plant. The \$1000 is paid. For several years our church building at Cordova has been greatly in need of attention. The Pastor, Leonard White, persisted until he not only convinced the trustees that the work ought to be done, but that it could be done. A few of the members refused to cooperate, but the good work went right on to completion. The third Sunday in December was observed as reopening day, and the church was reopened amidst the enthusiasm of a happy pastor and people. The \$750 incurred were more than raised. With almost constant illness in his family for the two years of his pastorate in Cordova, yet brother White has permitted no interest of the charge to suffer. Union, on Fairlee circuit, has been made more churchly in appearance by replacing

the wooden chairs with modern pews. At the home church a new system of lighting makes for the comfort of the worshipers, the total outlay being \$400, and every dollar of it raised. Two years ago, the pastor, T. N. Given, was at his own request granted an Effective relation. He was assigned to the pastorate of Henderson and there has done as effective work as has been done in this charge for years.

Other improvements reported are as follows: Pomona, \$300; Cecilton, \$285; Crumpton, \$200; St. Michaels, \$300; Piny Neck, \$160; Church Hill, \$150; Wye Mills, \$125; Queenstown, \$115; Trappe, \$60; Tilghmans Island, \$33; Odessa, \$75; Marydel, \$150; Cordova, \$250; Kenton, \$35; Salem, \$146.

Middletown has through the generosity of Jesse Shepherd, Esq., a trustee of the church, cancelled the remaining \$1500 of its debt. When the pastor, V. S. Collins, announced his intention to take advantage of this offer, it was deemed by some to be an inopportune season to attempt the task, not only did the wiping out of debt not interfere with any immediate interest of the church, but Brother Collins handed to the trustees a goodly sum over and above the \$1500 debt, and they have in hand toward a complete remodeling of the parsonage \$400. Nearly \$9,000 have been paid on church improvements during the present pastorate, and Middletown Methodism reaches high water mark in the year just closed. In addition to the \$1200 expended for improvements, Royal Oak has paid \$1200 on debts; Townsend, \$300; Easton, \$3,700; Henderson, \$212; Rock Hall, \$200; Clayton, \$150; Cecilton, \$75; Trapp, \$60; Kent Island, Fairless, and Church Hill, \$25 each; Hillsboro, \$50; Queenstown, \$30; Making a total for debts and improvements of \$19,000.

No man on the district has contended against harder odds than T. C. Smoot, pastor at Kent Island. Stricken down with a violent attack of rheumatism while in the midst of a promising revival, later the victim of a severe accident that crippled him for three months, he nevertheless comes the conference with every benevolent apportionment in full, and has added 50 members to the church from probation.

The present session marks the 53rd year of active ministerial service of H. S. Thompson. The time has arrived when he feels constrained to lay aside the duties of the active ministry that he may enjoy the Indian Summer of an itinerant preacher's life. The son of a distinguished minister, at one period an influential member of the old Philadelphia Conference, and later of the Wilmington Conference, brother Thompson comes to eventide of his ministry esteemed and honored for his works, I would suggest that a committee be raised to make suitable record for our journal.

Three factors have to some extent militated against the Benevolences. First, the action of the General Conference relative to division of the Sunday School missionary money. Next, the literal interpretation, involving an immediate application of the new provisions concerning the support of our Conference Claimants, and last of all the belated and unwise

action of the General Conference in loading down the Episcopal Fund with matters hitherto foreign to it, thus necessitating so radical an increase in the apportionment late in the year as to embarrass both pastor and people. Yet from the data now at hand it looks as though there would be a creditable increase in the benevolences on Easton District.

There is on the part of the pastors an increasing appreciation of importance of these claims. Why? The answer is at hand. The pastor is informed, hence inspired with enthusiasm born of information. The church press is found in the parsonage, and also the literature bristling with facts that stir the heart, published by the various Benevolent Boards of the church. But what of the lay number? With comparatively rare exceptions he is not informed. No church paper finds its way into his home. In our district less than 600 Christian Advocates are taken. Less than one in 700. Not a fact to feel elated over surely. Easton District however furnished a fair share of the five thousand increase in the circulation of our Christian Advocate.

The following charges have increased their benevolent offerings: Fairlee doubles its offering to Missions, and Centreville increases on all the benevolences, while Rock Hall, Still Pond, Royal Oak, Cecilton, Wye Mills, Ridgeley, Galena, Crumpton, Hillsboro, Marydel and Easton and Bozman and Cordova go beyond last year's offering.

That "the laborer is worthy of his hire" is an apostolic truth not as fully recognized as it might be by those who hold the purse strings. In too many cases the question is not "how much can we pay the minister" but "how little can he get along with." It seems an almost hopeless task to get certain churches to abandon the pay at the end of the year custom, and to adopt instead the pay as you go plan. The first named plan once tried will give such satisfaction that it will never be set aside. Happy the church that seeing its weakness seeks to remedy them.

Four charges have advanced salary this year. Hillsboro goes from \$900 to \$1000; Sudlersville from \$800 to \$900; Golt from \$300 to \$550; Royal Oak adds \$50 to its salary, making a total of \$550. Twenty-five charges have advanced salary in the three years past \$2800, adding to the total of pastoral support.

The Delaware Legislature is to be commended for the passage of the "Hazel Bill" whose object is to protect the two lower counties from the shipment of intoxicants by the whiskey venders. A wise, brave word is here quoted from an editorial in one of the leading dailies of Philadelphia, a paper whose management admits no whiskey advertisements. The editor speaking of the situation in a neighboring commonwealth says:

How can the liquor traffic long escape utter condemnation? The legislative committees investigating vice have not yet had the courage to attack this. But it will not be long before commissions will begin to inquire how many victims made their first mistep through drink.

No one with wordly wisdom can doubt that when such investigations

are scientifically made, the records will show more lives ruined and souls blasted because of a moral sense benumbed through drink than from any other one thing.

And this is the knowledge that will sound the final doom of the liquor traffic. For, if to the other evils for which it must answer—wrecked homes, widows, fatherless children and crowded asylums and jails—there is added the responsibility for the degradation and enslavement to vice of uncounted women, there is no power on earth that will be able to save it from annihilation.

The Methodist Episcopal church must ever find her chief concern in the salvation of souls. When New Testament Evangelism loses its interest for us, and power over us by being relegated to a subsidiary place among our church activities "Ichabod will be written across our borders for our glory will have departed from us." When Methodism fails in the direction of a genuine, aggressive evangelism, that failure will mark the beginning of the end so far as Methodism is concerned. She must not fail. The signs of the times are propitious. She is catching a new vision of her Redeeming Lord and the issue is not in doubt.

Most gladly do I note the fact that in some quarters of the district the spirit of revival has been abroad. This is preeminently true of Kent Co., Md. From Rock Hall comes the cheering news that 204 have entered the new life, and the pastor, brother J. W. Prettyman, has had the joy of witnessing 300 conversions. And this church is a fair example of the fact that a revival is the best solution of all the problems of the church, followed by extensive and much needed improvements to the church property to the amount of \$1000, all of which is paid, an undertaking ABSOLUTELY impossible for years past. Olie Connolley, pastor at Piny Neck reports 70 conversions, and substantial improvements to the church property. L. E. Barrett at Chestertown rejoices in an ingathering of 75 souls. What a glorious way in which to celebrate the 37th year of his service in the ministry. The dead line with Dr. Barrett is a line as yet invisible, and Chestertown is not clamoring for a beardless youth in her pulpit but unanimously insists that her present pastor be returned. Not a wit behind the chiefest in spiritual fruitage comes W. E. Matthews of Smyrna Circuit with 107 conversions this year, and 350 during his pastorate of five years in this charge. G. W. Townsend, pastor of Cheswold, has had the great joy of receiving 75 probationers and of seeing the church literally made new. Owing to repeated and severe losses in its membership the outlook for this church was very dark, but this tried and true son of the church, determined that he would in the closing year of his pastorate put the promises to the test, he pushed the battle to the gates and has the satisfaction of knowing that he leaves the church stronger in every way than for many years. Centreville, under the ministry of C. W. Prettyman, has been favored with a gracious visitation of the Spirit in the conversion of 50 souls, one of which was a man of over 90 years of age. Brother Prettyman con-

ducted the services from night to night in the midst of great anxiety of mind caused by the serious illness of his devoted wife. It is a pleasure to record the complete restoration to health of sister Prettyman. W. D. Parry whose ministry in Smyrna is increasingly useful has received 45 members on probation and all the interests of this glorious church well cared for.

Additional conversions reported are as follows: Still Pond, 36; Townsend, 30; Tilghmans, 28; Fairlee, 23; Cordova, 22; Hillsboro, 20; Marydel, 15; Kenton, 14; Easton, 12; Royal Oak, 10; St. Michaels, 8; Pomona, 5; Trappe, 15; Crumpton, 17; Galena, 11; Church Hill, 15; a total from data in hand of over 800, an increase of more than 10 per cent.

The year has not been without its vicissitudes personal. For a time I was forced to lie idle because of an annoying illness, which while not of a permanently serious nature proved a severe trial to one whose chief joy has been an almost ceaseless activity in the work of the church. To the Father of All Mercies for complete recovery and for the privilege of participating in the fellowship of another Conference and for abundant grace in the hour of need is devoutest gratitude given. In the midst of all the experiences of the year the "light of His countenance shone upon" the pathway, and the cheer of His presence was comfort and peace. "And so at His feet we lay down our sheaves. Some in abundant measure, others few in number, but all for love's sake, and for His whose promises sustained and made possible the accomplishment of our tasks. His sympathetic approval made heavy hearts light, smoothed away the deepest disappointments, and, as we view the future possibilities of the Kingdom, and its relations to the ministers of the good pleasure of God, we have full confidence that "He is able to do abundantly above all that we can ask or think, according to the power that worketh in us, both to will and to do of His good pleasure."

ROBERT WATT.

SALISBURY DISTRICT.

The city in which this Conference is now assembled is a centre of historic interest. Methodism is old in this section of the state, and has pre-empted nearly all the territory.

The society which owns the magnificent edifice in which the Conference is now being held, is the daughter of Asbury, the nearest companion church, which dates back more than a century. Immanuel is our name. When other churches were asked to entertain or receive you, naming the terms on which you were to go, it was manifest that Immanuel was the only one that said, "Come with us (without money and without price) and we will do thee good."

Brother Habbart, our genial host, has had a busy and successful year. The church is splendidly organized. The widely known and efficient "Mite

Society," consists of three departments. These "elect ladies" have assumed and proportionately paid for about one-third of the cost of this beautiful edifice, and have further agreed to take one-half of the \$3000 organ, to be installed as soon as arrangements can be made for the builders to proceed. More than \$4000 have been paid this year on church debt subscriptions, \$350 on improvements, 110 conversions.

Asbury church, Lawsonia, with Brother Dashiell as pastor, bears joyous greetings to this Conference. Great achievements have been wrought at the hands of this concentrated pastor and his faithful people. At the last report 115 souls had been added to the church. A sweeping revival resulted in 150 conversions, benevolences in some cases beyond apportionment, and am reliably informed that pastor's salary will be increased to \$1500 next year. The parsonage has been raised, re-roofed, panted, papered throughout, and thereby transformed into a commodious home, including hot water plant, bath, electric lights, and other sundry furnishing requisite to beauty and convenience, at the cost of \$1500, all of which has been paid.

H. C. Turner, appointed by Bishop Wilson, to Millville, was transferred to Waterville, Maine, A. P. Prettyman was assigned to succeed him and took charge of the work about June 1st. The result of the year's work justified the wisdom of the appointment. He took up the work with his accustomed zeal and wise administration and comes to Conference in a splendid state of health, bringing the collections up to the high water mark of last year.

Somerset charge began the year with great enthusiasm under the efficient pastorage of J. R. Cannon. With unabated zeal he preached the Word, until Saturday night June 16, while in the midst of his sermon, the flesh succumbed to the strain laid upon it, and loving hands bore his almost helpless body to the parsonage while his devoted and sympathetic flock lingered near in the midst of tears and grave apprehensions. Good medical attention and the competent nursing of his amiable wife were strong factors leading to his re-abilitation. He resumed his work in November, comes to the Conference session with a glad heart, reporting collections up to last year standard. It should be said in justice to these appreciative people, that the finance committee visited the Parsonage weekly with the usual allowance. Brothers Jones and Goodhand, pastors of adjourning charges, were of great assistance in aiding the committee to supply the pulpit.

On Salisbury District new and modern churches are being substituted for the old ones.

The new stone church at Selbyville, was dedicated Sunday July 14. Bishop Hamilton and Dr. Krantz were the preachers and financiers of the hour. The building committee with some misapprehensions announced that \$12,200 were needed to dedicate without debt. The day closed gloriously with every dollar provided for in cash and reliable subscriptions,

without the board of Trustees collectively assuming anything. Selbyville is thoroughly awake and sets the pace for other stronger and larger churches. Think of a town of 500 inhabitants, and a church membership of about 200, building and paying for a church property including a parsonage with all modern improvements, estimated at \$26,000. The report of the year for this church bears further facts; \$13,000 have been paid on the indebtedness, the salary is paid in advance every month, the charge reports more for the benevolent causes than ever in the history of the church, and 48 souls have been saved.

Leatherbury church, Onancock charge, has been moved to a more desirable location, and rebuilt with additional improvements at a cost of \$1400. Sunday, November 17 was set for the re-opening. W. A. Wise, J. H. Gardner, and the writer, assisted Brother Fogle. The day closed with all of the costs provided for. The Riverview church has paid \$100 on debt, and improvements to the extent of \$125 have been made on Onancock church. Brother Fogle is the hard working pastor and has the confidence of his parishioners. October, when Thomas S. Dixon, a lay worker of Hollands Island was authorized to take up the work, the people received him gladly. He has had a revival resulting in 43 conversions.

October 13th was regarded as a day of jubilee for Bethany church, Cape Charles, Virginia. A troublesome debt of nearly \$1,400 has been before the church for several years, and Brother Davis and official Board agreed that the time was ripe for its elimination. Dr. Murray was the preacher for the day. At its close the debt was paid. Besides this outlay, these progressive people have advanced the salary to \$1,000, all claims for ministerial support have been met, and a substantial advance in the benevolent collections

Pocomoke City pays on standing indebtedness \$1,150, reports a slight advance in benevolences, and Conference claimants paid in full. The debt on the church has been reduced materially by personal and persistent work on the part of the pastor, and raised without any special public collection

O. T. Baynard reports for Chincoteague apportionments met in full, collections advanced, the Sunday School up to the high water mark in enrollment and average, and 71 conversions. Daniel Wilson has had a happy year. All collections in full. Holland's has been greatly cheered under the pastorate of Z. W. Wells. He reports salary advanced, 26 conversions, and multiplies the sum total benevolences of last year by three. G. A. Cooke is closing his first year at Tangier, and reports 25 reclamations and conversions, paid \$1200 on improvements, salary advanced \$100. Deals Island reports 60 conversions and apportionments for benevolences in full, and \$128 paid on improvements. Two years ago, Brother Jones found a troublesome debt of \$1200. He then undertook to cancel it. It seemed a hopeless task. Notwithstanding forbidding weather conditions

of last winter, it was reduced to \$848. This year he reports \$714 paid and the small balance covered by reliable subscriptions.

The following charges report more for benevolences and ministerial support than ever before in their history: Bishopville, Frankford, Millsboro, Mt. Vernon, Nanticoke, Parsonsburg, Roxana. Brothers Harris, Hastings, Stallings, Poole, and Collins go ahead of their remarkably good record of last year. J. J. Bunting and G. R. Ellis are first year men. The former bringing up Mt. Vernon with 65 conversions and collections 68% in advance of last year. Brother Ellis, at Millsboro happily experiences \$100 increase in salary, 30 conversions, \$150 paid on improvements, and advances benevolences to the full apportionment, which is an increase of 112% over last year.

Stockton paid on improvements \$280, and reports benevolences equal to last years, and 50 conversions. Fairmount has advanced in salary and paid \$800 including interest on church debt.

J. H. Wilson closes a hard year of toil at Girdletree. A good parsonage home has been purchased, at a cost of \$1500, \$1,000 of which has been paid. Another valued "Ladies Aid Society" belonging to this charge paid more than one third of this amount.

Delmar maintains her good record with Brother Pilchard. There are good reasons to anticipate a new parsonage and church building commensurated with the needs of this progressive railroad town. ?

Snow Hill has enjoyed the pastorate of Brother J. W. Easley. His administration has been advantageous and highly appreciated. The basement of the church has been enlarged and beautified. The Sunday School has been organized thoroughly into the "Graded System." This new feature has met with the approval of the entire school and church. Approximate cost \$2000.

Sharptown is highly pleased with Brother Adams and his recognized ability and able administration have placed this church in the first column of efficiency.

Westover, heretofore requiring help from the sustentation fund, comes up under Brother Newtons pastorate, paid in full for pastoral support. \$200 paid on an old debt on church, and 19 conversions.

Ocean View, and Fruitland, report advance in collections and ministerial support in full.

Newark, Mt. Pleasant, Marion, Quantico, Salisbury Circuit, Gumboro, Powellville and Hebron all report good revivals in the churches and ministerial support up to last year without deficiency, except as relates to Conference Claimants. The question of pro-rating has been the subject of thought and prayer throughout the year. It comes the hardest to those churches paying the least salary. In many cases the stewards would not assume the apportionment, and the pastor was obliged to place it among the benevolences or not get it at all. This year shows a remarkable increase, and we believe we are going on to perfection.

Whitesville guarantees ministerial support and collections equal to recent years. This circuit of three churches pays same salary as when it consisted of four churches. Like many other charges, an improved financial system would greatly facilitate the administration of the work. Bro. Brewington reports 51 conversions.

The new church at Berlin has become an ideal and welcome reality. The builders are completing the final touches on the wood work, and the day of dedication has been fixed for June 22. It is a beautiful structure and Brother VanDyke is piously proud of this achievement which presents a reconstructed Methodism for Berlin. By unanimous official action, the pastor is authorized to invite this Conference to hold its next session there, on the free entertainment plan.

Salisbury still leads the District both in the salary and contributions to the benevolences. Dr. Martindale brings to this conference the largest buget ever given by this church, amounting to \$1,530. The Sunday School has taken on new life, and with a large Bible Class is occupying the enlarged quarters completed this year. These improvements include a new steam heating plant, a beautifully finished social room, and a new carpet throughout the church at a cost of \$10,000, all of which has been paid. This church has a very active Brotherhood of about 100 members, and their monthly meetings demonstrate unusual capacity for usefulness in all departments of church activity.

Grace church Salisbury, was made a station at the last session of Conference, and placed under the pastoral care of Brother H. S. Dulaney. By wise consul, kindly service and liberal contributions, he has done his full share in the development of the work this year.

At Princess Anne and Laurel revivals have occurred that have eclipsed anything known for years in these towns. Brother Gray has had a most successful year. 150 persons were present at the last quarterly conference. He reports 102 conversions, 115 accessions to the churches, the organization of a Brotherhood with 83 charter members, and an average of the Sunday School increased more than 100%, and raised \$1200 in cash and \$1500 in subscription for the new church fund.

At Laurel, Sunday, September 15, was the day appointed for the beginning of dedicatory services. Dr. Krantz, the Rev. E. W. Robinson and the writer were present to assist the pastor. Services followed during the week with ex-pastors lecturing and preaching. Then Sunday again, when Bishop Cranston, was expected afterwards Bishop Berry, but uncontrollable reasons prevented their arrival, and if the Rev. T. E. Terry had not been such a good substitute for a Bishop we would have been disappointed. The Rev. Samuel McWilliams, of the Philadelphia Conference, rendered valuable assistance. Liberal giving made it possible to announce that \$37,500 had been secured in cash and subscription since the laying of cornerstone one year before.

The hard worked pastor was granted a respite for recuperation but

could not accept. He began a series of meetings which continued for eight successive weeks. Revival enthusiasm swept the town, 209 professed saving faith, 184 joined our church. The Sunday School almost taxed the capacity of the large and spacious quarters and now numbers 682 with W. M. Hearn the efficient superintendent.

The effect of this pentecostal wave was felt at Bethel where Brother J. W. Gray was conducting special meetings, which resulted in 120 conversions, 102 of whom joined the church. Brother Gray, though chastened by sorrow, comes rejoicing bringing sheaves with him.

The Epworth League Convention was held at Selbyville, Nov. 13, 14 and 15, under the able and consecrated leadership of the president W. G. Harris, the convention was made most practical and inspirational. "Evangalism", the key note of the convention was timely, and the emphasis placed upon it produced an influence which reached every chapter represented by a delegate.

It is a gratifying feature of the work to observe that the "No License" system, as relates to the liquor problem is more and more appreciated by our local citizenship. Phoebus is the only "wet" spot on the District map, but even the traffic there grows more and more into disfavor. The Rev. Cyrus P. Keen, efficiently and successfully superintends the Maryland Section of the District.

The "Grim Reaper" has been in our field. Our sympathies have been greatly exercised toward our Brother J. W. Jones and his gentle wife, upon whom bereavement has fallen. Elizabeth, 5 years of age, one of two as sweet girls as ever were given to a home, was taken from them early in the conference year.

And has not our hearts been tender towards our Brother J. W. Gray, as we have heard of the death of his only remaining son about 30 years of age. This, added to the same kind of loss last year, when the older son was taken, reminds us that brotherly sympathy should be extended to him and family at this time when the clouds are low and the burdens grievous.

Within a few hours after the adjournment of last conference, the writer was summoned by telephone to receive the sad news of the death of Mrs. O. T. Baynard, at the Methodist Hospital Philadelphia. In less than 24 hours another message announced the death of Mrs. A. W. Goodhand. In each case, all that tenderest love and skill could suggest was done to tempt back the health which never came. These brethren bereaved, have our prayers and our tender, heartfelt sympathy. Suitable memoirs will be presented at the proper time. Blessed be the God, even the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of mercies and the God of all comfort, who comforteth us in all our tribulations, that we may be able to comfort them who may be in any trouble, by the comfort wherewith we are comforted of God.

G. P. JONES.

WILMINGTON DISTRICT.

The year has been one of unceasing toil on the part of the working force of the District. No one has come short of doing his duty. There has been sickness in the homes of some of our brethren. The angle of death entered the home of Rev. B. F. Jester, and his son Franklin W., a promising youth of sixteen was taken. Later in the year the infant son of Rev. E. C. Wright also passed away. These brethren are sustained by the consolations of God.

The abundant labors of the pastors have secured notable results as will be shown by this report. Our beautiful church and parsonage at North East, Md., which were burned in May 1911, have been replaced at a cost of \$23,588. The new church and parsonage surpass the old ones in beauty and architecture and in facilities provided. The new church was dedicated June 30th, 1912. The Rev. John Krantz of the Methodist Book Concern in New York had charge of the finances. Enough cash and subscriptions were taken to meet the entire cost except about \$3500. The church is a marvel of beauty and cheapness, and would cost \$40,000 anywhere within fifty miles of New York City. Great credit is due Rev. J. P. Otis, the pastor, and the wise and competent building committee for their conservative management of the enterprise. The people of North East are not surpassed for heroism in doing and giving.

Lebanon Church, Red Lion, Del., Rev. E. C. Prettyman, pastor has been thoroughly repaired. These improvements consist of metal ceilings and side walls, decorations, paint, carpets, new heater and lighting plant, costing \$1100. The church was re-opened for service Sept. 8th. The following brethren were the preachers for the day, the District Superintendent in the morning, Rev. W. A. Wise in the afternoon and Rev. F. C. McSorley in the evening. The entire cost of the repairs and improvements was provided for in cash and subscriptions. Everybody was pleased; some thought such a result impossible, but the faith of the tireless pastor and his colaborers was amply rewarded by the hearty responses of the people.

Bethel Church at Pivot Bridge, Cecil Co., Md., famous as the place where the mourner's bench was first used in Methodism, also as the burial place of the Rev. Lawrence Lawrenson of early Methodism, has been repaired and improved, with new roof, metal ceiling and side walls, decorations, painting and a new lighting plant at a cost of \$700. The church was re-opened for use Dec. 8, 1912. The entire cost was paid in cash and subscriptions. The Rev. Asbury Burke is the happy pastor.

Our church at Cherry Hill, Md., has been improved and beautified at a cost of \$2250, all of which was paid before the day of re-opening, Jan. 5, 1913. The improvements consist of a new cellar, new heating plant, new floor, new carpet, metal ceiling and side walls, decorations, thorough painting inside and outside. The preachers for the day were the Rev. G. P. Jones in the morning, Rev. G. T. Alderson in the afternoon and Rev. E. L.

Hoffecker in the evening. The pastor, Rev. D. J. Ford, and his people are to be commended for the success of the work. They demonstrated their ability as financiers. No collection on such an occasion was so unusual that possibly some of the preachers for the day felt a little embarrassed. The audience room presents a most pleasing appearance and will meet the needs of the congregation for some years to come.

A much needed new parsonage has been built at Chesapeake City, and is now occupied by the pastor, at a cost of about \$2000, part of which has been paid.

The parsonage at Hockessin, Del., has been improved by the addition of a new front porch, and the expense has been paid.

A new heating plant has been installed in the parsonage at Port Deposit, which adds much to the comfort of the pastor and his family.

The parsonage of Chester-Bethel, which was some distance from the church and situated in the State of Pennsylvania, has been sold, and steps are being taken to build a commodious one on a lot adjoining the church. The pastor will occupy the new house in the early summer.

Chester-Bethel Church celebrated on Oct. 8th, 1912 the one hundred and thirty sixth anniversary of the founding of the society of Methodists in that region. The event attracted wide spread attention, and a vast concourse of people gathered from the country about and from distant cities. The day will be long remembered. The services of the day began with an old fashion love feast in charge of Rev. G. W. Weldin. The morning sermon was preached by the Rev. J. D. C. Hanna. At 2 p. m. the pastor, the Rev. Edwin Gardner read a carefully prepared historical sketch, which graphically told of the difficulties encountered, and the victories won by early Methodism. The Rev. L. W. Layfield was the preacher in the afternoon, and the Superintendent of the District in the evening. It was possibly the greatest day that Chester-Bethel ever witnessed. The credit is largely due to the pastor for his leadership, and to the people who so promptly co-operated with him.

Mt. Pleasant Church, Bellevue, Del., celebrated her seventy-fifth anniversary Nov. 24th, 1912. The forenoon of the day was inclement, which to some extent marred the occasion, and yet a goodly number gathered. The sermon was preached by the District Superintendent. The Rev. Charles H. Williams was the afternoon preacher, and the Rev. F. C. MacSorley in the evening. The Rev. E. H. Derrickson had charge of the Epworth League service and rendered valuable assistance during the day. It was an inspiration to the good people of the church and to the Rev. E. W. McDowell the credit is due for the success of the program.

One of the most interesting events of the year was the organization of the first Italian Church in Wilmington, with thirty-nine Charter members. On December the 9th, the Rev. Lorenzo Roveda and his people met in Union Church, corner of 5th and Washington Sts. The services consisted in singing hymns in Italian suitable to the occasion, prayer and reading of

the Scriptures. This was followed by the roll call, the members answered to their names. Short addresses were delivered, and the right hand of fellowship was given to our Italian brethren. The District Superintendent had charge of the services, but was assisted by the Revs. E. C. Sunfield, W. F. Corkran, W. E. Greenfield, J. R. Bicking, G. W. Dawson and F. C. MacSorley. Pastor Roveda is immensely popular with his people, and the work promises well for the future and is likely to become strong, and we hope self-supporting in a few years. A building has been purchased wherein to house this young and growing church, the organization of which is a red letter day in the history of Wilmington Methodism. The Epworth League is doing better work. Nine new Leagues have been organized this year, and the District Convention was held at New Castle, Del., October last. It was a pleasing event in League circles, and the program was successfully carried out. The Wilmington City Union of Epworth Leagues is very much alive and is helpful to League interests in the city.

In the death of H. S. Goldey, Wilmington lost a great and good citizen one who has left his impress upon the life of the City. Methodism has lost one of her loyal and loving laymen, a man of sterling character, upright in all relations of life. He loved Methodism and her ministers. Our Conference Claimant fund will ultimately receive \$3,000 through a legacy left by this good man, and the Conference Academy \$500. He sleeps the sleep of the just.

There is a growing appreciation of our pastors on the part of our people. This is seen in the increase of salaries. The following charges have increased their salaries this year:—Christiana, \$25; Chester-Bethel, \$50; Elk Neck, \$50; Eastlake, Cherry Hill, McCabe and Union each \$100 and New Castle, \$200, making a total of \$725.

And yet the salaries are far too small in many of our charges, not high living, but the high cost of living, is pinching many a worthy man in the pastorate. The purchasing power of a dollar has decreased forty per cent in the last few years, which means in plain English that salaries have been cut forty cents on the dollar. Commodity prices have advanced beyond anything known in our generation. I plead for an advance in the support of pastors. They are not mecenary men, but the team must be fed that draws the load, and the church must take this matter to heart.

It is a pleasure to speak of the work of the Woman's Home Missionary Society in Wilmington. This Society is composed of some of the very best of the members in our churches. They maintain a Deaconess Home and carry on Missionary work through the aid of these devout women who never fail to do exploits in the name of the Master.

Be it said to the everlasting honor of Mrs. Jennie R. Fields that she has made it possible for the Deaconess work of Wilmington to continue upon a permanent basis. She generously purchased and presented to a board of trustees the property 307 West Street, to be known as the "Riddle Memorial Deaconess Home". This property including the purchase money,

improvements and furnishings will be worth more than eight thousand dollars. With an adequate endowment this house will be of immense help to our church. I take this opportunity to thank Mrs. Fields for her gracious and generous gift which will through all the years to come be a blessing to those who suffer ills in this life. "Inasmuch as ye did it unto one of the least of these ye did it unto me", are the words of the compassionate Jesus.

December 6th was the day of prayer for the District. The services were held in Methodism's Mother Church in Wilmington. The District Superintendent sent out a call to pastors and people to come.

Bishop Berry was present in the power of the Holy Spirit, and by his messages thrilled and inspired all hearts. This good Bishop in the opinion of many surpassed himself and reached a loftier height than they had ever witnessed. The day closed with solemn consecration. The influence of the day has been felt far and wide.

The first week of January was devoted to the spiritual interests of our churches in Wilmington particularly. Meetings were held five consecutive afternoons and evenings in the following churches:—Asbury, Epworth, Grace, Harrison St., and Mt. Salem. The able and godly pastor of Grace Church, ably assisted by others, spoke in these meetings.

Revival fires have been kindled on many altars in the District and some churches have been enveloped in a holy flame. I will not undertake to give figures. These will be seen in our statistical tables. In this city, Asbury, Eastlake, Kingswood, Trinity, Brandywine, Union, Cookman, Wesley, Silverbrook, Scott, St. Paul's, Harrison St., Madeley and Epworth have witnessed displays of saving power in the conversions of souls. A healthier spiritual atmosphere prevails in all our City churches.

There have been revivals of great power in some of our country churches. The greatest revivals in the history of some of our churches have taken place in recent months. Last summer in harvest time when the temperature was ninety degrees, the power fell upon Bethel Church at Pivot Bridge. Men left the harvest field in time to attend the meetings, some drove ten miles. Many were converted.

Chesapeake City has been moved by the spirit and made alive from the dead. Many have been saved and added to the church. St. Georges, Del., has had a visitation of the Spirit. The church has been refreshed, men and women and children have been converted and numbered with believers.

Calvert Church on Zion Charge has put on strength. The Lord refreshed her with his presence and glory and the tide of Salvation became a flood which swept away all barriers, and more than two score of souls were born of God and joined the militant host.

Cherry Hill Charge has felt the thrill of the divine presence. The preaching of the Word has been honored and men have found peace in believing. The church has taken on new life.

St. Johns has had a good meeting and is preparing for another campaign in April.

Richardson Park has had the largest ingathering in any year of her history. Claymont has felt the pressure and power of the spirit, souls have been saved and the church edified.

Marshallton has seen the desire of her heart in the salvation of the people through the preaching of the truth.

New Castle has had a great revival and has nearly doubled her membership this year. All lines of church work have felt the influence of the revival and the church was never as strong as she is today, and never as popular, or as well attended in her entire history. The congregations through the building and the cause of Christ is paramount in every service. The pastor and people rejoice together because God has rewarded their labors.

The Sunday Schools are growing and never were as large in most of our churches, and some of our churches are very much embarrassed for want of room. This is especially true of Silverbrook, Trinity and McCabe. These Schools will increase from fifty to one hundred per cent in a year, if accommodations can be provided at an early day. Silverbrook expects to erect a ten thousand dollar building as an addition to their already beautiful and commodious church. McCabe has gathered several thousands of dollars to build a new church in the near future. Trinity Sunday School has also outgrown the small and poorly equipped building they now occupy. They are discussing a building proposition for next year and with assistance from the outside they hope to put it through and provide the facilities which are needed for the prosecution of the work. Eastlake has during the past year added four rooms in the basement of the church for Sunday School purposes, and already they are crowded beyond the point of comfort. Our Sunday School work is very promising. The people are with us, and we must take care of them. Better work is being done by the teachers. Bible classes for adults are being organized in the schools. They attract a class of persons not heretofore found in Sunday School. This is especially true of Men's Bible classes. We commend this work and call attention of our pastors and Sunday School Superintendents to it. We hope to see an increase in the number of such classes.

The saloon exists in the Delaware part of our District, Wilmington and New Castle County are under the curse of the license system. We hold that the state has no right, nor has the government at Washington, to sell for money the lives and morals of citizens. To do so is to commit a crime against mankind that cries unto heaven for vengeance. All well intentioned men, without distinction of party, ought to join in a common effort for the salvation of our country, which is menaced by an enemy which respects neither the laws of God nor man.

Pastoral visiting is an important part of ministerial service and we must magnify the pastoral office. We note that the men who have been the

most successful in saving souls, who have added the largest number to the membership of the church, who have paid for improvements on church property, and old debts, and have made the best record in reporting benevolences are the diligent pastors. This is true of city and country pastors alike. There is no exceptions.

Pastoral visiting helps the preacher to preach effectively the Gospel which saves, sanctifies and strengthens. It is the personal touch that is needed in all our churches.

The pastors have been diligent in looking after the official benevolences of the church and we have reason to believe we shall make a good showing when the reports are published. It is a point of honor among the pastors of the District to do their best in the matter of collections. The multiplication of collections, official and unofficial, is not to be commended. The preacher of the Gospel is not a mere collecting agent for causes, however worthy they may be.

Many of our churches have been active this year making improvements and paying off their indebtedness.

Union Church \$1400, Hockessin \$150, Colora \$290, Madeley \$350, Red Lion \$1250, Ebenezer \$170, Perryville \$450, Silverbrook \$943, Elkton \$300, St. Johns \$75, Port Deposit \$519, Mt. Pleasant \$509, Eastlake \$273, Richardson Park \$124, Epworth \$3500, Newport \$150, Charlestown \$125, Cherry Hill \$2250, St. Georges \$190, Cookman \$300, Rising Sun \$450, Zion \$200, Stanton \$30, Christiana \$50, New Castle \$720, Grace \$5000, Bethel and Summit \$700, Chesapeake City \$740, Scott \$150, Harrison St. \$300, Cedars \$150, Newark \$300.

I wish to publically thank God for health which enabled me to keep every engagement for the year, for the privilege of laboring with so noble a body of ministers as are found in the Wilmington District, for every courtesy shown me by the ministry and laity, and for all the loving-kindness of heaven which has been mine during the year.

E. L. HOFFECKER.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES.

Auditing.

Your Committee have gone over the following accounts and find them correct.

Rev. T. E. Terry, Treasurer of the Domestic Missionary Society, received from Rev. H. G. Budd, Conference Treasurer, \$1315; balance from last year \$8.00; total, \$1323; paid out as per vouchers, \$1319.00; balance on hand subject to draft, \$4.00.

Rev. F. J. Cochran received for the Barrett's Chapel Endowment Fund, during the year, \$186.00; total for fund to date, \$502.25; deposited with the Home Missionary and Church Extension, \$186.00.

Rev. Robert Watt, District Superintendent, received from the Conf. Treas., Rev. H. G. Budd, on account Domestic Missions, \$291 distributed as follows: Wye, Md., \$60.00; Oxford, Md., \$55.00; Queenstown, Md., \$45.00; Bayside, Md., \$40.00; Pomona, Md., \$25.00; Fairlee, Md., \$25.00; Royal Oak, Md., \$10.00; Golt, Md., \$31.00; total paid out, \$291.00.

Received from W. J. Downing, Esq., Treas. Conference Board Home Missions and Church Extension, \$18.00; paid out as follows: Golt, Md., \$10.00; Royal Oak, Md., \$8.00; total \$18.00.

Dr. Watt, Trustee for Mrs. Annie D. Chatham, has rendered a correct account of all receipts and disbursements of that fund.

Rev. E. L. Hoffecker, District Superintendent, of Wilmington District, received from Rev. T. E. Terry, Treas. of the Domestic Missionary Society, \$329.00; paid out as follows: Stanton, Del., \$50.00; Kingswood, Del., \$50.00; Hockessin, Del., \$50.00; Port Penn, Del., \$50.00; Claymount, Del., \$45.00; Cedar, Del., \$34; Trinity, Del., \$25.00; Christiana, Del., \$25.00; Delaware City, Del., \$25.00; total, \$354.00; overpaid, \$25.00.

Rev. Geo. P. Jones, District Superintendent, of Salisbury District, received from Rev. T. E. Terry, Treas. of the Domestic Missionary Society, \$365.00; distributed as follows: Quantico, Md., \$50.00; Pittsville, Md., \$50.00; Claremount, Va., \$50.00; Holland's Island, Md., \$50.00; Salisbury Ct., Md., \$25.00; Mardela Springs, Md., \$100.00; balance in hand, \$15.00; total, \$365.00; total paid out, \$350.00.

Received from W. J. Downing, Esq., Treas. of Annual Conference Board of Home Missions and Church Extension, \$27.00; paid out, Phoebus, Va., \$15.00; Claremount, Va., \$12.00; total, \$27.00.

Rev. R. K. Stephenson, District Superintendent of Dover District, received from Rev. T. E. Terry, Treas. Wilmington Conference Domestic Missionary Society, the sum of \$334.00; distributed as follows: Armory, Del., \$100.00; Blades, Del., \$45.00; Williamsburg, Md., \$25.00; Hooper's Island, Md., \$25.00; Lakesville, Md., \$35.00; Hickman, Del., \$25.00;

Little Creek, Del., \$25.00; Rehoboth, Del., \$20.00; balance on hand, \$34.; total, \$334.00.

The accounts of the Conference Treas. were audited showing a balance of \$62.48 on hand from 1911. The deposits amounted to \$47,813.61. The disbursements were made and vouchers received. Balance on hand of \$21.21 for year 1912.

Bible.

More and more are we convinced that The Bible is the only foundation upon which the Church can stand and hope to succeed in the performing of the tasks placed upon her.

If the Church is to hasten the coming of God's kingdom, it, individually must read and study the Bible more thoroughly.

We are told by certain classes that to solve the great questions of certain economic conditions, we must put certain political parties into power, but we are persuaded that the only sure cure for the world-wide and ever-increasing social and economic suffering and unrest is found only in the Words of Jesus Christ.

We are pleased to note, that there is an increased demand for the Scriptures, not only in our own language but in foreign languages as well, and

We are glad the American Bible Society is doing so noble a work in helping all Protestant Christian denominations to circulate the Holy Scriptures. It has distributed many million copies, and will distribute many more, let us therefore see to it, that it has our encouragement and support.

Last Conference year 23 of our charges made no contribution to this worthy cause at all. We hope that no charge will fail to help this year. Let every pastor in the Conference take an offering and forward to the Society as soon after as possible.

Bureau of Sessions.

At our last Conference session, we found ourselves in the unpleasant situation of being without an invitation for the session of 1913. The result was the adoption by the Conference of an "Emergency Plan for Conference Entertainment", as shown on page 82 Minutes of 1912; and a committee named as on page 40 of same Minutes.

Having been named by Bishop Wilson as the member "at large" of that committee, in order that the Committee might have something before it when called to meet, the writer sent an identical letter to the pastors of the 28 principal charges of the Conference asking them if they would not consent to entertain the Conference in 1913 on one of three plans viz.:

1. The "old plan", viz., free entertainment for all.
2. A compromise plan, in which the local church would provide as many free homes as possible, and the entertainment of the remainder to be paid for out of the Conference fund.
3. The local church to furnish an edifice for the sessions of the Conference, and secure homes for the Conference, but ALL entertainment to be paid for out of the Conference funds.

Prompt replies were returned by nearly all the pastors, and six invitations were received, as follows: four on plan three, viz.: Union and Epworth, Wilmington, Centreville and Snow Hill; One on plan 2, from Milford a most cordial invitation; and one on plan No. 1, the old plan of free entertainment for all, from the pastor and Official Board of Immanuel Church, Crisfield.

When these replies and invitations had been received the Committee were called together at Middletown, and organized by electing Vaughan S. Collins, chairman, and H. P. Cannon, Secretary. To them were presented all of the above-named facts, and it was unanimously voted to accept the invitation of Immanuel Church, Crisfield.

Brother H. P. Cannon was appointed a sub-committee on arranging for reduced rates on the railroads, which service has been efficiently rendered. So the entertainment for 1913 was arranged without expense to the members of the Conference, as the members paid their own fares to attend the meeting of the Committee, and the pastor at Middletown furnished dinner for the Committee.

The Committee unanimously voted to recommend to the Conference an amendment to our "plan of entertainment" as adopted in 1912 as follows: "by striking out all of paragraph 5 of the "plan" as published on page 82 of the Minutes of 1912."

The terms of Vaughan S. Collins, W. L. White, and H. P. Cannon expire with this session of the Conference.

Conference Deaconess Board.

There has been but one meeting of the Board during the year. We are glad to report that the Deaconess work has been carried on with commendable zeal and success. The personnel of the workers has changed somewhat during the year, but we are still favored with the presence of the very efficient Superintendent of our Deaconess Home, Mrs. Margaret A. Sweet. In July Miss Mary E. Gould was transferred to East St. Louis, to carry on work there in a Bohemian settlement. She was a great worker and we regret her going. Miss Emma Kelly was appointed to Wilmington Conference Academy as Preceptress to the Young Women there. She reports her work to our Local Board. Miss Ruby Davis of Kansas City was transferred to us, and has had charge of the settlement work for Negroes in

Wilmington. Miss Charlotte Arnold is Parish Deaconess for Grace Church. Lula R. Morse has charge of our Industrial work. Miss Effie G. Achorn is working as Kindergartner. Total resident in the Home 5. At the beginning of the year the Woman's Home Missionary Society assumed the entire responsibility of the work in the north east part of Wilmington, with headquarters in Kingswood Church. Always two, sometimes 3 workers have been employed there, caring for a large kindergarten, 2 large sewing classes, a gymnasium class of girls, and a class in basketry for boys. There is a fine Epworth League, a Queen Esther Circle for older girls, and a mothers meeting held once a month. In the Sunday School 2 Deaconesses have charge of the Junior Department, another a large class of boys, all this, besides much Parish work done in the vicinity. The Supt. has charge of 3 classes in sewing in the evening at the Home, composed of Italian and Polish girls.

In October a new work was undertaken, a Deaconess was engaged by the "Federation of Christian Workers", an organization to superintend a settlement among the negroes of Wilmington. This settlement is in one of the needy sections of the City. Classes in cobbling and a boys club are held. Cooking, sewing, dress making are taught, and there is a kitchen garden for the girls, and a Bible story class for both boys and girls, taught mostly by colored men and women. The social service of the Home is not neglected, the sick and poor are looked after. During the summer a number of Camp's were visited, and our work kept before the people. Through the W. H. M. S. and its friends a fine Christmas dinner was provided for the boys and girls of Kingswood. We have recently had given us a property, 307 West street, through the generosity of Mrs. Jennie R. Field, to be held by a Board of 21 Trustees and to be known as the "Riddle Memorial Deaconess Home", under the government of the Wilmington Conference of the Methodist Episcopal Church

Our Treasurer reports for the year: balance Mch. 1, 1912, \$467.13; received during the year, \$1787.20; value of supplies, \$201.23; expended, cash \$1857.79; supplies, 201.23; balance March 1, 1913, \$396.54; General Fund, \$28.13; Improvement Fund, \$368.41; total, \$396.54.

Supplies received during year for maintainance of the Home from, Epworth, Mt. Salem, Brandywine, Silverbrook, Scott, Harrison St., Grace, McCabe., Wilmington, New Castle, Elk Mills, Easton, Newark, Chester-town, Odessa, Millington, Wye Mills, Greensboro, Delaware City, Townsend, Centreville, Clayton, Smyrna, Marshallton, Marydel, and Port Deposit, to the amount of \$201.00. After March 25 our Deaconess Home will be located at 307 West St.

Education.

Education is a vital element in every phase of Christian work. The last General Conference on the motion of the Board of Education did more

construction work than had been done in a century past. Our church is giving new emphasis to the necessity of Christian Education i. e., the education of her young people in and by secondary schools and colleges under the control of the church and with facilities dominantly Christian. In which school and before such faculties, the Bible is recognized as an essential in Education, and organizations promotive of Christian life a necessity.

Phenomenal success has blessed our Colleges and Universities in the past year in matters of endowment thereby enriching the possibilities of acquiring an education, and that with breadth and variety.

We commend first of all The Wilmington Conference Academy. With its enlarged equipment and excellent faculty is doing excellent work. We should endeavor to send all our young people who are seeking larger secondary educational advantages to her.

Should there be a demand for an Exclusive School for boys our Pennington School should have strong recommendation.

Goucher College for women, that gem of the first water, challenges our pride and captures our hearts. We may not only commend her to parents and young women but we should beseech them to enter her halls. Dickinson, Allegheny Colleges, together with Wesleyan, Boston and Syracuse Universities are in the range of our patronage. Of our professional schools we may speak of the excellence of Boston and Drew Theological Seminaries. The latter has entered upon an era accented by the presence, in her president, of a virile executive. The young men of today and tomorrow who attend her classes may well felicitate themselves.

With a large and almost adequate loan fund, and schools accessible at moderate expense, together with self confidence and industry possessing the person having these accessories no young man need fail in acquiring an adequate education for his life's work.

Conference Education Society.

Your Managers beg leave to report that during the past Conference year we have aided 19 students, as follows:

5 students in Drew Seminary to the amount of \$575.; 3 students in Dickinson College to the amount of \$150.; 11 students in Wilmington Conference Academy to the amount of \$350—Total, \$1075.

The total receipts from the Annual Conference was only \$424, notwithstanding, the fact that the Conference instructed the District Superintendents to apportion \$1000 for the work of this Society. This shows that the Conference has raised scarcely more than one-third of the amount requested. The Society this year was able to aid all students only because the Society had on hand a balance received from returned loans; but the balance on hand in the General Fund has been reduced, as shown by the

Treasurer's report to only \$129. This shows that unless the charges of the Conference make large advances for this worthy cause during the ensuing Conference year your Managers will be compelled to refuse aid to some of the worthy men now on our list of beneficiaries. Our students at the Conference Academy alone need every dollar contributed by our churches this year, which leaves absolutely nothing with which to aid our worthy students at Dickinson and at Drew.

That you may see by Districts the work we are doing for the student-candidates for our Conference ministry note the following: During the past year we have aided from, Wilmington District, 4 students to the amount of, \$575; District raised \$126; Easton District, 2 students to the amount of, \$50; raised \$82; Dover District, 7 students to the amount of, \$312.50; raised \$100; Salisbury District, 5 students to the amount of \$287.50; raised \$116.

In view of this showing your Managers most earnestly renew the recommendation of last year, viz., that the District Superintendents be instructed to apportion the sum of \$1000, among the charges of the Conference for this Society for the year 1913-14, and to earnestly bring this matter to the attention of every Quarterly Conference.

Epworth League.

The Epworth League in this Conference is increasing in its effectiveness. Each District reports the League in good condition. Each District also reports new chapters organized during the year. District conventions were held, and an increased interest was manifested. The Jr., League is doing splendid work wherever organized. We commend its usefulness for carrying out the Dicipinary provisions for the instruction of children.

In accordance with the instructions by the Conference, and in harmony with the resolutions passed by the several District League Conventions, a meeting of the joint committee, consisting of the Conference Epworth League Cabinet, and the Cabinets of the District Leagues, was held in Dover, Del., June 12, 1912. At this meeting the "Conference Board of the Epworth League of the Wilmington Conference" was duly organized, the constitution recommended by the General Conference Epworth League Board of Control, was adopted with a few changes, and the following officers were elected to serve until Conference: Pres. Milton McCann, Sec., Miss Annie B. Colona, Treas., Charles E. Davis, Jr. L. Supt., J. R. Bicking, Vice-Pres., the Presidents of the District Leagues.

On Dec. 5, 1912, the first Annual meeting of the Board was held in Wilmington, and the following officers were elected for the ensuing Conference year: Pres., Milton McCann, Sec., W. G. Harris, Treas., Charles E. Davis, V. P's., J. R. Bicking, V. P. Northup, H. A. G. Westerfield, T. R. VanDyke, Jr. Supt., W. G. Koons.

The Conference Board of the Epworth League can be of great service if it is made the clearing house for Epworth League information throughout the Conference, and especially among the District Leagues.

In order to further the work of the Epworth League in the Conference, we recommend that an Epworth League Institute be held under the direction of the Conference Board at such time and place as may be practicable.

We urge that the third Sunday in September be devoted as Conference Epworth League Rally Day, in harmony with the plans adopted by the Board.

We call attention to the action of the Conference in 1895, and urge that Thursday night during each Conference session be devoted to the Anniversary of the Epworth League in accordance with said action.

We also call attention to the action of the Conference in 1904, and recommend that the names of the officers be published in the list of Boards in the Conference minutes.

Freedmans Aid.

The Freedman's Aid Society is the M. E. Church at work solving the race problem, through christian education. Out of its 23 schools and Colleges and over 7,000 students must come Christian Ministers, physicians, teachers, and industrial leaders for the 10,000,000 of our colored population. These are to be the Christian leaders through whose efforts the problem of race uplift must be solved.

The annual revival of religion in these schools is as much a part of the work as their literary or industrial work. The work of the Freedman's Aid Society in these sections is well cared for by Morgan College and branches. These schools have an enrollment of 330 students and employ 22 teachers. The training in art, agriculture and domestic science is thorough and inspiring. In this way the physical, intellectual and spiritual needs of the race are being supplied. These young men and women come to these schools and are converted and go out to be the leaders of the religions life of the communities whence they lived.

It is encouraging to know that the Carnegie Fund is nearly completed and when done will add materially to the resources of the schools. We commend the work of the Society and School to the churches for hearty support.

The Celebration of the Emancipation Jubilee ought to engage the attention of all our people this year.

Methodist Hospital.

The Methodist Episcopal Hospital in Philadelphia is just closing the 21st year of actual work. During the year improvements have been made

at a cost of nearly \$13000. Over \$8000 has been expended on the operating room, making it as fine and complete as medical science can suggest and money provide. A comparison of this year's work with that of seven year's ago shows the great growth of the Hospital.

Seven years ago the Hospital had 1017 house patients—this year it will have 2400.

Seven years ago the income from paying patients was \$19,000—this year the amount from the same source will be \$39,000.

Seven years ago the contributions from churches and individuals for current expenses amounted to \$14,000—This year the amount will be about \$32,000. The increase in income, in the last seven years, for current expenses alone has amounted to over \$100,000. With this increase of income the Hospital has kept pace with the increase in current expenses, have wiped out the old debt of \$18,000 and will close this year with a property worth \$1,500,000 clear of debt. In addition to the money spent for current expenses during the period named, \$160,000 has gone into new buildings and permanent improvements and over \$100,000 has been added to the endowment. This success has been due to the untiring zeal and devotion of Dr. J. D. Martin, Cor. Sec'y. the skillful business management of Miss R. S. Young and the liberality of an ever increasing number of interested and liberal friends of the institution.

The Hospital has given 66 per cent of the work during the year absolutely free. No deserving, suffering poor are ever turned from its doors. In view of the above facts we urge upon all our preachers and people to aid this worthy cause by all means in their power, that they invite Dr. Martin as far as he is able to do so, to represent the Hospital to the people, feeling sure that if the people have knowledge of the work and its needs they will respond liberally to the claim of this "House of Mercy" upon them.

Home Missions and Church Extension.

The Conference Board of Home Missions and Church Extension make the following report of the Conference year: Received from the Parent Board of Home Missions \$700; which was distributed as follows,—Wilmington City Missionary Society, \$637.50; R. K. Stephenson, \$17.50; Robert Watt, \$18.00; G. P. Jones, \$27.00; These amounts were paid out as follows—Salem, Md., \$17.50; Golt, Md., \$10.; Royal Oak, Md., \$8.; Phoebus, Va., \$15; Claremont, Va., \$12. Received from Church Extension funds \$350, which sum was donated to Hooper's Island, Md.

The Church Extension account of the Conference is as follows,—Nov. 1st, 1912 by balance, \$562.23; Authorized for year ending Oct. 31, 1913, \$500.00; March 1st, 1913, balance to credit, \$1062.23. The Conference is asked to raise by regular collections the sum of \$18,503.

Recommendations: The Conference Board recommends the application of Zion Church, Hooper's Island for a donation of \$350 and a loan of \$500. The Board also endorses the application of the Wilmington City Missionary Society for \$3000 from the Parent Board.

Resolutions: We have heard with pleasure the earnest and informing message of Dr. A. G. Kynett concerning the vast and urgent need of this branch of our work. The church should fully awake to the perils of our great cities and the critical necessities of these masses of foreign peoples swarming into our national domain.

We urge the desirability of crowding information upon the brain of the church by every possible means, so that an awakened membership may pour out its treasure for home rescue and salvation.

Let the Sunday School Missionary collection be divided by the pastor according to the order of the General Conference.

We congratulate the Conference on its past record in this field of benevolence and trust that it may distance itself in its future contributions.

The following are the Officers of the Board for the ensuing year:—President, T. E. Martindale; Secretary, Joseph W. Coley; Treasurer, W. J. Downing.

Woman's Foreign Missionary Society.

The Woman's Foreign Missionary Society is one of the most active and efficient of forces for the evangelization of the world.

It has an army of farsighted, deephearted, self-sacrificing women nearly 200,000 strong, with legions of Young Peoples' Societies, Kings Herald Bands and Little Light Bearers Bands numbering over 100,000.

It raised last year, \$837,224, supported 377 Missionaries and 2112 Bible women in eleven countries, and this year is planning to raise \$100,000. It has distributed, since its organization, more than \$13,000,000.

It has 1065 schools of various grades, with 36,459 scholars, and 115,426 women and girls members in our churches.

Last year its workers instructed 203,076, women in the Bible, and baptised 14,426. Of this great work our own Societies are doing a generous part, having raised for 1912 the sum of \$3025.

We would urge the members of this Conference to open their churches to the representatives of this society, and to give it their sympathy and encouragement; being convinced that its success will bring spiritual uplift to the whole membership of the church.

Woman's Home Missionary Society.

Your Committee beg leave to offer the following report: The Woman's Home Missionary Society is one of the great agencies for bringing this

world to the foot of the cross. This grand organization has long since proven its right to exist. The national organization has gathered and distributed over \$370,000 during the past year. Hundreds of pastors, serving the church of God, in charges of inadequate support, have received aid from this society. Thousands of men, women and children can bear witness to the help, both physically and spiritually, that has come to them through this God-blessed society. Your committee recommends this splendid society to earnest consideration of all pastors and churches.

Periodicals.

This is an era of education. The informed mind is the effective mind. Standing abreast of the colleges and the pulpit in the moulding of intellectual standards and the formation of ethical ideals is the press. Therefore your committee on Periodicals begs leave to report as follows: We wish to express our appreciation of that greatest of all religious periodicals the New York Christian Advocate, which under the leadership of the new editor, Dr. Geo. P. Eckman is, we firmly believe, entering upon a period of larger usefulness and greater effectiveness than any that has yet characterized its glorious history. We are particularly pleased with the plan just announced whereby the Advocate may be secured from now to the end of the year 1913 for \$1.00 and pledge ourselves to do all in our power to help forward the movement for a greater circulation of this greatly improved paper.

2. It is with great pleasure that we have learned of the purpose of our presiding Bishop Jos. F. Berry to exercise editorial supervision over the Methodist Times and use it as a means of communication between himself and the Conferences in the residential groups over which he presides.

3. The Methodist has received the approval of our Conference during the past two years. We assure the publisher Mr. W. V. Guthrie of Baltimore, Md., of our continued confidence and again commend the Methodist as an effective medium for the exchange of conference news.

Sabbath Observance.

The destructive Higher critics to the contrary notwithstanding the Bible is the Word of God. None of the familiar laws written by the Divine finger on the tables of stone, and given to grand old Moses as he talked with his Lord on the mountain have been repealed, and Sabbath desecration is as absolutely wrong as is idolatry, blasphemy, adultery, lying or murder. We deplore the moral obtuseness that seems to prevail on our beloved Peninsula as to this specific commandment and, record it as our deliberate

judgment that this unfortunate condition can be attributed to two things. First, the desperately wicked state of the human heart, and second, the running of Sunday trains, and steam boats; the sale and reading of those morally dangerous things known as Sunday newspapers; the opening and running of restaurants where ice cream, soda water, cigars and other luxuries are dispensed, in violation of both the laws of man and of God, and the sinful opening of Bread Stands at these Peninsula camps whose directors are more concerned about the making of money than they are the honor of the church, and the salvation of precious souls. We call upon our pastors to protest against all these things, and to help by both their preaching and practice to restore that Sabbath observance that once prevailed on this territory.

Sunday School...

"The Pastor and Sunday School Teacher in their personal contract with individual life, hold in their keeping the future of the Church."

We have 4,272,264 members in the Sunday Schools of the Methodist Episcopal Church, to bring this mighty array to its highest efficiency, to make it productive of the greatest good, is the task which the General Conference has committed to the Board of Sunday School.

"During the past year (1912), our Sunday Schools show an increase of 151,318 in their average attendance, and an increase of 268,153 in their total membership. Since the Board of Sunday Schools began its activities in 1908 our Schools show an increase of more than 900,000 in membership. They report nearly 800,000 conversions, and more than \$2,500,000 for missions.

Since 1908 its missionaries have started 1,371 new Sunday Schools, from which 366 churches have been organized and 155 church buildings erected at a value of \$279,750.00. For each \$1000.00 spent upon its extensive work, the Board of Sunday Schools has organized 10 Sunday Schools and 27 churches.

The General Conference has made splendid provision for the support of its work. The law requires that every church, also every Sunday School, shall make an annual offering to the Board of Sunday Schools. It is further provided that ten per cent of the monthly Sunday School Missionary offerings shall be given to the Board of Sunday Schools, yet in spite of these provisions of the Discipline 8,569 Methodist Episcopal Churches and 9,786 Sunday Schools did not give a penny to the Board of Sunday Schools last year 1911-12. The Commission on Finance apportioned \$210,000 for its support for the coming year. We earnestly appeal to every church to raise at least its full apportionment for the Board of Sunday Schools.

We note with pleasure the growing interest, especially in the adult Bible class. We recommend the Cradle Roll, Graded Lessons, Adults

Bible Class, Home Department and Teachers Training. We recommend Decision Day, where prayerful preparation is made and wise methods used, as a means in the conversion of the young".

Board of Stewards.

The continued growth of the collection for Conference Claimants is a matter for congratulation.

We had hoped to be able to fix the annuity basis at \$10 for each year of effective service, but the large number of new claimants made this impossible, and we continue the \$8 basis.

There is a decrease from last year in the check from the Connectional Fund of \$250, but we are glad to report an increase of receipts from our interest on invested funds of \$224 and the collections from churches show an increase of \$1882. Most of our churches are now in the column of those who pay the 9 1/2% in full for this good cause. We hope that every pastor and church will take a hearty interest in raising the last cent of this apportionment. It is none too high, our plea is not based on the law but on the crying needs of our worthy claimants.

We rejoice in the forward steps taken at this Conference toward greatly increasing our Endowment Funds. We hope that every pastor and charge will get to work early in the year to raise these funds.

Just before the close of last Conference session the Board was ordered to pay \$75 then in hands to J. T. Prouse and include in this year's accounting. The exact amount proved to be \$70 which in the accounting is added to his allowance for this year. Hence his check will be \$70 less than the record of this year will show.

Receipts from all sources: Book Concern, \$2517; Chartered Fund, \$30; Interest on investments, \$1107; Dividend from Connectional Fund, \$150; Collections from Churches after treasurer had deducted 5 per cent for Connectional Fund, \$11,629—total, \$15,433.

Annuity Fund: Book Concern, Dividend, \$2517; Chartered fund \$30; Interest on Investments, \$1107; Amount added from collections from church \$5154—total, \$8808.

Special Fund: Dividend from Connectional Fund, \$150; remainder of collection from churches, after taking \$5154 for Annuity Fund, \$6475 total, \$6625.

Distribution of Annuity Fund: 21 retired ministers, 636 years of service at \$8 per year, \$5088; 44 widows, 906 years, at \$4 per year, \$3624; 3 children, 60 years at, \$1.60 per year, \$96—total, \$8808.

Distribution of Special Fund: 3 supernumeraries, \$805; 17 retired ministers, \$1638; 39 widows, \$3975; 3 children, \$154; expenses, \$9; balance in hand, \$44—total, \$6601.

The amount of the 5% of collections to be sent by our conference Treasurer to Board of Conference Claimants is \$613.

Collections by Districts: Dover, \$2881, increase, \$384; Easton, \$2414, increase, \$223; Salisbury, \$3493, increase, \$669; Wilmington, \$3454, increase, \$606.

Stewards Endowment Fund: Collection by Districts: Dover, \$180, increase, \$5; Easton, \$144, increase, \$29; Salisbury, \$153, increase, \$18; Wilmington, \$175, decrease, \$13—total \$652, net increase, \$39.

Invested Funds: The above \$652 added to the \$15,952, already invested, will make a total of \$16,604. These Funds are carefully invested, interest rates varying from 5 to 6%, and secured by first mortgages on real estate.

Apportionments to Districts for next year on basis of 9 1/2% of pastor's cash support: Dover, \$3400; Easton, \$2900; Salisbury, \$3940; Wilmington, \$3885—total, \$14125.

Steward's Endowment.

Your Committee on the Steward's Endowment Fund beg leave to report as follows:

1. While we are glad to report that the returns from the churches in the matter of contributions for this fund are encouraging in that each year shows a growing interest in it, we regret that we must face the fact that out of the 191 pastoral charges in the Conference last year there were 89 charges, or nearly one-half of them, that made no report at all.

2. We earnestly and kindly instruct the brethren of the Conference not to fail to give this matter the consideration it deserves, believing as we do that the church is ready and willing to give this cause the support it deserves when the matter is properly presented.

3. We believe the suggestion of Mr. Melville Gambrill is one easily to be realized if the ministers of the Conference will determine to bring it to a successful termination and when this is done the objective point of \$50,000.00 will have been very nearly realized.

4. We appeal in the name of our Conference Claimants to the generosity of our laymen who have abundance of this world's goods, to remember the Lord's prayer, and then they may expect at least to hear the Lord say "Inasmuch as ye have done good to the least of these, my brethren ye have done it unto me".

Committee Report.

The Committee appointed by the Presiding Bishop, on request of the Conference, to devise and report to the Conference a plan for the raising, during the five years next ensuing, the sum of twenty thousand dollars to meet the proposition of Mr. Melville Gambrill to give one thousand dollars for each four thousand raised by the Conference, begs to report as follows:

1. That at this session of the Conference a Committee of nine be appointed by the Conference, the said Committee to consist of the four District Superintendents, one minister at large, to be nominated by the District Superintendents, four ministers, one from each district, and four laymen, one from each District, to be nominated by the Superintendent of the District, whose duty shall be to devise a plan for the raising of the Fund and who shall be clothed with authority to execute the same.

2. That the Treasurer selected by the Committee be directed to report to each Annual Conference the condition of the Fund, together with a statement of all monies received and expended.

3. That the Secretary to be selected be directed to report to each Annual Conference the charges from which, in each year, no subscriptions are reported.

4. That the Committee be authorized to draw upon the Treasurer for such sums as may be needed to cover expenses of the financial campaign.

Conference Trustees.

Your Trustees beg leave to report the condition of the several trusts in their hands, as follows:

The Theodore C. Carey Fund, amounting to \$2,000.00 is invested in first mortgage bonds of the Dupont Building, Wilmington, yielding 5% interest, payable semi-annually. The account stands:

Receipts: March 15th, balance on hand, \$2.52; June 3rd, semi-annual interest, \$50.00; December 2d, semi-annual interest, \$50.00—total \$102.52.

Disbursements: $\frac{1}{2}$ box rent in bank, \$1.68; Order No. 15 in favor of Coshen M. E. Church, Milton, \$100.00; Balance on hand .84—total \$102.52.

The M. Fannie Thomas Fund—Receipts: March 15th, to balance on hand, \$4.08; June 3rd, semi-annual interest, \$25.00; December 2nd, semi-annual interest, \$25.00—total, \$54.08.

Disbursements: May 1st, $\frac{1}{2}$ box rent in bank, \$1.67; March 27th, Order No. 16 in favor of Beckwith M. E. Church, \$50; balance on hand, \$2.41—total, \$54.08.

This fund is for \$1000, and is also invested in a first mortgage bond on the Dupont Building, bearing 5% interest, payable semi-annually.

The Mary J. Clifton Fund: This fund consists of a small, two-story, frame house in Clayton, Delaware, and the proceeds of the rents are for the benefit of St. Paul's Church, Clayton. This is the first year the trust has been in our hands, and it was necessary to spend a large part of the proceeds to repair the house in order to make it at all tenable. The property is in the hands of Mr. H. D. Boyer, a real estate agent of Smyrna, who made returns to us as follows:

Receipts: Net proceeds received from Mr. Boyer, for 6 months rent,

.26; Net proceeds received from Mr. Boyer, for 6 months rent, \$16.29—total, \$16.55.

Disbursements: Order No. 14 to V. S. Collins for cash advanced for recording deed and other charges, \$3.00; Order No. 17 in favor of St. Paul's M. E. Church, Clayton, \$10.00; balance on hand, \$3.55—total \$16.55.

General Cash Account—Receipts: Balance on hand, \$182.14; Semi-annual interest, \$75.00; Net rents during year, \$16.55; Interest on account, \$5.15—total, \$353.84.

Disbursements: Order No. 13 to C. W. Prettyman, Bank box rent, etc., \$3.35; Order No. 14 to V. S. Collins for cash advanced, \$3.60; Order No. 15 to Goshen M. E. Church, Milton, Del., \$100.00; Order No. 16 to Beckwith M. E. Church, \$50.00; Order No. 17 to St. Paul's M. E. Church, Clayton, Del., \$10.00—total, \$166.95; balance on hand, \$186.99.

We would again remind the Conference that your Board of Trustees is an incorporated body, and legally qualified to hold trust funds of any kind whatsoever for the benefit of any church, or any church organization, within the bounds of our Conference. If pastors would call the attention of our laymen to these worthy examples of Miss Carey, Mrs. Thomas and Mrs. Clifton, soon many of our churches might be receiving larger help from similar bequests.

Temperance.

The overshadowing temperance event of the year is the enactment of the Webb-Kenyon Bill. This law, prohibiting from inter-state commerce the shipment of intoxicating liquors intended to be used in violation of law, has been enacted and we rejoice that Congress has ceased to be the friend of the liquor trade. We regret that President Taft vetoed this measure but rejoice that Congress administered a stinging rebuke by passing the bill over the President's veto within twenty-six hours after its receipt. We also rejoice in the passage by Congress of the Jones-Works Bill further restricting the liquor traffic in the city of Washington and the District of Columbia.

The people of West Virginia, being denied the County unit Local Option bill, started immediately "across lots" for State-wide constitutional prohibition. On last November 5th the people of that state voted an amendment to their constitution prohibiting the sale and manufacture of liquors by a majority of 92,342. We rejoice in this victory for what it means to the state of West Virginia and also for the encouragement and inspiration it gives in Maryland and twelve or fifteen other states that are today in the same condition of sentiment in which West Virginia was a little more than a year ago, namely, about ready to be organized for a constitutional amendment fight.

We are encouraged that the Delaware legislature revived and passed

an anti-shipping measure for its dry territory, even after it seemed the bill was lost.

We believe the logical next step in the movement is the submission by Congress to the several states of an amendment to the Federal Constitution, which, when ratified by three-fourths of the states, will prohibit the manufacture and sale of intoxicating liquors throughout the nation. Each man who voted for the Webb-Kenyon bill has been spotted and the liquor interests of the country will not spare efforts or money to secure his defeat. The fight is on and the call to arms is so distinct and clear that even the more conservative and indifferent ones will need to accept the challenge to fight for God and home and native land.

We commend the vigorous administration and aggressive work of the Church Temperance Society under the administration of Dr. C. T. Wilson with Headquarters at Topeka, Kan. Nearly half a million have signed the total abstinence pledge. Dr. Wilson has conducted a series of street and park meetings at which 48,000 men have signed the pledge. The Society has inaugurated a total abstinence campaign through the Sunday Schools, Leagues and Churches and out-of-door meetings. It has secured the publication of a notable book "Winning the Fight Against Drink" and has placed it in the Conference Course of Study. It publishes wall rolls, leaflets and general literature on every phase of the liquor question. We commend it for the employment of a research secretary and a leader of the colored race, Rev. C. A. Tindley who will give his time to the reform throughout the South among the colored people.

We re-affirm our hearty approval of the Anti-Saloon League, and rejoice in its increasing influence and efficiency in utilizing the moral and temperance sentiment effectively. We urge that all our Churches open their doors and give increased support to this agency.

We congratulate the W. C. T. U. on its increasing influence and express the belief that every community should have a W. C. T. U. as an indispensable temperance activity.

Thanks.

We desire to express our appreciation of the kindness of the officials of Immanuel Methodist Episcopal Church in opening to us their beautiful church, and otherwise providing for the session of the Conference.

We rejoice that the hospitality for which the Eastern Shore is proverbial continues to be extended to the ministry of the church, and that their hospitality has been extended to this conference during our stay in the homes of the people of this community.

We thank the choir, and all who have assisted in providing the music for the various sessions and services of the Conference.

We acknowledge the value of the services of the press and hereby register our appreciation of the same.

We would not forget to express our appreciation of the kindness of the Elks, the banks, and all other organizations that have contributed to the business and pleasure of the Conference.

We thank the pastor, his wife, and every member of the committee of arrangements for the provisions made for our comfort and pleasure.

We would not forget our obligations to brother Riggin, the sexton, who had come early and tarried late, that we might be comfortable, not only during the regular sessions of the Conference, but also during the hours of pleasant social intercourse with each other.

We express our appreciation of the endeavor of the officials of the railroads to provide for our comfortable transportation.

In anticipation of that which is to follow we express to the Bishop and his cabinet our appreciation of their spirit of fairness and brotherly consideration while directing the business of the Conference.

Wilmington City Missionary and Church Extension Society.

The field for City Missionary and Church Extension work in and around Wilmington is an increasingly large one, furnishing our Church with special opportunities and vast possibilities for Christian service.

Trinity, has taken on marvelous growth during the past Conference year, under the leadership of Rev. R. High Adams. The congregations have increased from a very small number to the present attendance of 150 or more, with a substantial gain in membership of about 50. Fully two-thirds of the members of this Church attend the prayer and class meetings regularly. The Sunday School has increased from 75 to an enrollment of 225 and an average attendance of 195.

The rapid building of new homes and the increase of population in that part of the city, solicit our deepest interest in providing a new and more commodious Church edifice, such as will be suitable to the religious needs of the community.

Already some steps have been taken in this direction by the City Missionary and Church Extension Society.

On recommendation of our English work committee made at the last monthly meeting of the society, it was decided to consolidate, as far as possible Kingswood and Trinity Churches, and offer the Kingswood property for sale, believing this to be the wisest and best plan for Methodism in that section of the City.

It was further decided by the City Missionary Society that in the event the Kingswood property is sold, a sufficient amount of the proceeds shall be reserved for the erection of a less expensive mission house in which

to conduct settlement work in that vicinity, if, in the future it shall appear necessary.

Sixth Avenue Mission is located in a store room on the corner of Sixth Ave., and Anchorage St., in the South West section of the city. Because of its rapid growth we were obliged to move it last December from its former quarters to the present building where we now have an enrollment of 105 Sunday School Scholars and Teachers with an average attendance of 68.

Here we also conduct one of the best kindergarten Schools found in the City with an enrollment of 35 children and an average attendance of 27.

Other interesting and helpful features in the work of this mission are a "Boys Club" of 30 members and a girls sewing class of 25 members under the direction of Miss Lillian B. Carter who is also our settlement worker in this district.

The results in our Italian work in Wilmington fully justify the efforts made by the City Missionary Society in behalf of the Italian people.

For nearly two years Union Church has furnished a place of worship, and rooms for the educational work for the Italians, but the growth of this mission is crowding our Union people for space in which to hold their own week night meetings, and because of this fact their official board was obliged to request the City Missionary Society to immediately provide other quarters for our Italian work. The Society decided to purchase the large dwelling house No. 222 West St., and convert it into an industrial Church with ample space for every department of this work at a cost of about \$5000. We expect to have the building ready for use by the second Sunday in May.

On Monday evening December 9, Dr. E. L. Hoffecker, Dist. Supt., organized this mission into the first Italian Methodist Episcopal Church of Wilmington, with a membership of 39.

In closing this report I wish to express my personal gratitude, and the hearty thanks of the Wilmington City Missionary and Church Extension Society to all our Pastors and Churches which have so splendidly cooperated with us in this blessed work, during the past Conference year.

More than ninety charges report contributions taken for this cause. We note with much appreciation the increased interest manifested, and we earnestly solicit the cooperation of all our Churches and Pastors with us in this work for the coming year, and thereby help these workers to toil.

MEMOIRS

Rev. Elijah E. White.

Again the head of the column wavers, and another veteran drops from the ranks. The Rev. Elijah Emory White, with the scars of long and honorable warfare upon him, has gone to join the Honor Legion of the Methodist Itinerant before the throne of God.

He was born near Salisbury, Maryland, August 28, 1843. The atmosphere of the country home in which his early days were spent, was sacred with simple and unaffected piety. It was the dwelling place of a later Obed-edom, with the ark in its centre. His father, Rev. Samuel Quinton White, was a Local Preacher of marked consecration and power; and illustrated in his plain, sturdy character the old fidelities and fervors of the lay ministry of those earlier days. It is no wonder that the thoughtful boy soon learned the way to the Mercy Seat; and at fifteen years of age entered into an experience of personal salvation. Scarcely had the new life taken possession of his heart, when he heard the mysterious and unmistakable call to the service of the Christian ministry. After a struggle with many doubts and fears, he yielded to the mandate of his Master, and began at once to prepare himself for the high and arduous task before him.

In 1865 he received license to preach, while pursuing his studies at the old Theological Seminary at Concord, New Hampshire. The spring of 1866 found him knocking for admission at the doors of the Philadelphia Conference, which were gladly opened to receive him. The location of his appointment three years later gave him relation to the new Wilmington Conference, which was organized at that time. Thus began the holy toil, which was to scatter its good seed over many acres, and to serve its Lord through a long and busy day.

His Pastorates were as follows: Laurel, 1866; Dorchester, Md., 1867; Snow Hill, Md., 1868; Bridgeville, 1869; Quantico, Md., 1870-72; Milton, 1873-74; Felton, 1875; Red Lion, 1876-77; Brandywine, Wilmington, 1878-80; Cherry Hill, Md., 1881-83; Charlestown, Md., 1884-85; Smyrna Circuit, 1886-88; Millington, Md., 1889-92; Church Hill, Md., 1893-95; Silverbrook, Wilmington, 1896-1900; Madeley, Wilmington, 1901-04; Delaware City, 1905-08; Oxford, to which he was assigned in 1909, was his final charge; and here in the bosom of a devoted congregation, and by the flow of the beautiful river, he yielded up his well kept Commission to his King and Saviour.

He was married in July 1870 to Miss Elenora Nelson of Snow Hill, Maryland; and no minister ever had more devoted co-operation and truer guardianship of his church's honor, than she gave to him. Side by side through sunshine and shadow she was counselor, comforter, inspiration and

nurse. Forty-two faithful and happy years they walked together. Today, she stands wistful at the gate looking Westward; and is consoled only by the treasure of hallowed memories, and the radiance of the after-glow still lingering about the scene of his departure. Heaven must needs provide two crowns, when it would deck the brow of the itinerant conquerer; and the second shall be for the wifely toiler and gentle soldier, who shared his campaign.

Brother White was a placid spirit, a sunny, optimistic, modest, home-loving man. He had no fondness for the arena; and carried no weapons for the thrust and parry of controversy. He did not "contend for the faith once delivered to the Saints" but won glad acceptance of it, by the shining of his persuasive example. The people counted him as one of them; and the children clung to his hands. He had "the art of being kind"; and moved among his congregations with such brotherly smile and interested helpfulness, that they learned to love him, and welcome him at their fire-sides and sick-beds. His father before him, had prayed many a passing soul of the neighborhood into the life beyond; and the son gave himself to the same tender offices. Minister he was; and the world is hungry for such as these.

His piety was of the earnest and positive type. The witness of the Spirit, and the assurance of faith were not outworn doctrines in his creed. He had an experience! Somewhere his heart had been lifted up to divine levels. He knew whom he believed, and had persuasions that held him like cables of steel. Out of this clear and robust confidence in God, grew his masterful sense of duty. He stayed by his work. He had but one business—that of the Master. During forty-seven years of service he was scarcely ever absent from his pulpit, except for brief periods; and yet he was not exempt from physical disabilities. Pain had left its mark on his body, and its thorn in his flesh. But the courage born of Grace held him true to his task and triumph over his infirmities.

His preaching had the quality of his life. It was experimental, confident, persuasive, and fervent. The chief rules of his Homiletics were the love of God, the needs of men, and the joy of bringing home the lost. His Christmas sermon was his last; and he delivered it with his usual unction. Fitting climax it was, to a long and fruitful ministry. Not now the terrors of the law and the rebuke of sin, but the song of angels, the shining star, the shepherd's rapture, the open portals of the sky and the unspeakable gift. His farewell was a "Glory to God in the Highest"; and then he stepped down to wait for the Christmas angels, who would soon come back and bear him aloft, past sheep-fold and star, to the bosom of the Highest. He had talked of his going, and of his daily effort to be ready when the Master called. It was a humble and blessed confession of his faith and hope. The next evening, with the Good Night on his lips, and his foot on the stair, he was smitten with paralysis. He lingered for a few silent, patient days. On the evening of December 26th, surrounded by his family, and the tear-

ful people to whom he had ministered for nearly four years, he faced the mystery for which he had so long prepared, and fell asleep. A funeral service was held on Sunday afternoon, the 29th, in the Parsonage at Oxford, under the direction of Rev. Robert Roe. On the following Monday a second service was conducted by the Rev. J. W. Easley in the church at Snow Hill; after which he was laid to rest where "the forefathers of the hamlet slept, to await the promised time, "when the day shall break, and the shadows flee away."

T. E. MARTINDALE.

Mrs. O. T. Baynard.

It is possibly seldom more appropriately said "In the midst of life we are in death" than in the case of the subject of this Memoir.

Susanna Cooper Baynard, wife of Brother O. T. Baynard of this conference, was born Jan. 30th, 1879 and died Wednesday, March 20th, two days after the close of our last Conference session. Sister Baynard came to the Conference apparently in good health to enjoy the sessions and anniversaries of the Conference. On Sunday she was taken sick, and did not consider it serious until Monday, when she was taken to the Methodist Hospital in Philadelphia for treatment, and even then, rode to the depot and walked to the train. The trouble was appendicitis, which resulted in her death on the following Wednesday. She was buried at Bethel Cemetery near Cheswold, Saturday, March 23rd. Funeral services conducted by the Pastor of her home church, Brother George W. Townsend, assisted by the writer.

Sister Baynard was the youngest of eight children born to Richard and Susanna Cooper, substantial and devoted members of Bethel church on Cheswold charge. She was well born; her parents and grand-parents were life long Methodists. Her father, Brother Richard Cooper, a representative layman, was a member of the General Conference of 1904 and is now a Steward representing Easton District in this Conference. A brother of Sister Baynard, Dr. Watson Cooper, is President of Upper Iowa University, and a sister, Mrs. T. B. Cooper, is the wife of a former member of this Conference, now of Upper Iowa, while the surviving members are active in the home church.

Sister Baynard was converted and united with the church of her parents during a revival conducted by the writer in 1899, in her eleventh year. She began work at once in the church and soon became a teacher in the Sunday School, and here in the home church she served until she was married to Rev. O. T. Baynard of the Wilmington Conference, Feb. 10th, 1904. Brother Baynard found in her not only a devoted wife, but a consecrated helper in his work. The testimony of the people of the churches they served, is that she was genial and hospitable in the home

and devoted and successful in the work of the church. God was kind in giving the minister such a companion, and the church such a devoted and true woman for the responsible and delicate duty of a pastor's wife. To us who view it from this side, it seems strange one so useful and needed, should be so suddenly taken from us and the work, but God knows best and He, who has permitted it, gives grace to those whose hearts are made sad and lives lonely.

We rejoice that all of this short life was given entirely to the service of the ministry and has left its impress on many lives that Sister Baynard has helped to a better life.

R. K. STEPHENSON.

Mary Elizabeth Carter Goodhand.

The mysterious ways of Providence are seldom stranger than when His beloved and honored servants, in the full glory and strength of middle life, are summoned from those fields of conquest, where their presence seems an indispensable factor to prolonged conflict and subsequent victory. And when at midnight, March 20th, 1912, within the Parsonage, at Oriole, Somerset County, Maryland, Mary Elizabeth Carter Goodhand, faithful wife, loving mother, obedient servant of God, received the "higher call", and her spirit went forth in the triumph of Christian faith, a great sorrow settled upon the community, which for two years had been cheered by her presence and enriched with her ministrations, and upon a large circle of friends, whose hearts her optimistic faith and kindness had won during the years.

Born in Philadelphia, Pa., June 27, 1868, Sister Goodhand inherited from her parents, James H. Carter, and Mary B. Porter Carter, both of Caroline County, Md., devout Christians of Methodist persuasion, the tendency to godliness, and at the age of twelve she was converted in historical old St. George's Church, Philadelphia, and of which Church became a member. In 1885 she married Arthur W. Goodhand and in 1892 removed with him to Baltimore. When the irresistible call came to her husband to forsake his mercantile interests in the city and to enter the sacred office of the ministry, she willingly acquiesced, sacrificing home and friendships, and material prospects to follow him, she knew not where, and through the years, stood shoulder to shoulder with him, multiplying his joys, dividing his sorrows, sharing his burdens, rejoicing in his success, contributing much to the welfare of the church, and the growth of the Kingdom.

By endowments and accomplishments, as well as by disposition and grace, Sister Goodhand was peculiarly adapted to succeed in the difficult tasks that challenge the ingenuity of the wife of the Methodist minister.

Ready always to give of time, or talents, or means to every work that commended itself to her judgement, she was a "workman that needeth not to be ashamed".

Some months before the end her general health was rudely shaken, and there arose ominous warnings of approaching dissolution. She met the threatening situation with resolute courage and tranquil faith, and prepared for the end with philosophic foresight. She looked in triumphant hopefulness beyond the veil, and fondly dwelt in exalted imagination on shining ideals soon to be realized. Surrounded by loving friends and ministered unto by dutiful daughters, the quiet room where she lingered, awaiting the inevitable summons, seemed a consecrated and hallowed sanctuary.

The funeral services were conducted on Saturday morning, March 23, 1912, at St. Peter's Methodist Episcopal Church, Oriole, Md., by the Rev. George P. Jones, D. D., Superintendent of Salisbury District, assisted by the Rev. M. D. Nutter, of Hurlock, Md., and the writer, in the presence of a concourse of friends that filled the Church and the yard outside. The interment was made Sunday afternoon, March 24th in Western Cemetery, Baltimore Md., after appropriate services, in Bethany, Methodist Episcopal Church, of which she was a former member, conducted by the Rev. Harry D. Mitchell, her former pastor.

Sister Goodhand leaves a rare legacy of love and gentleness and faith which will be perpetual benediction to a large circle of friends. A loving husband, and three daughters, Miss Deborah, Miss May and Miss Margaret, survive her and, with us, mourn their loss.

"In that great cloister's stillness and seclusion, By guardian angels led,
Safe from temptation, safe from sin's pollution, She lives whom we
call dead."

W. E. GUNBY.

Emily Dushane Bloxton.

Mrs. Emily Dushane Bloxton, relict of the late Floyd E. Bloxton, was born at Galena, Maryland, on May 11th, 1872, and was called to her better home on Jan. 18th, 1913. For about twelve years she shared the arduous toils of her gifted and faithful husband, and her appreciation of the splendid field of usefulness which opened to her as the wife of a Methodist itinerant, and her faithful cooperation with him in that field, were no small factors in all the good he wrought through the all too brief, years of his ministry! Sister Bloxton was a Methodist by adoption and grace. Born in the home of a leading family of staunch Protestant Episcopalians, she early responded to the influences which that church employes for the religious nurture of children, and was confirmed in her fifteenth year. Her life from that time showed that she had properly

interpreted the significance of that solemn rite. To her it meant to "confirm and strengthen for the fulfillment of christian duties and not an Episcopal sanction of complacent, self-approval, and self-indulgence. At once she set herself faithfully to such duties and labor as befitted her age, and was faithful in all the activities of the church. While devout from early childhood, she was not austere, and entered with zest into all worldly amusements sanctioned by the courses and usages of her church. No spectre of such amusements as cannot be taken in the name of the Lord Jesus had ever been involved by the law of her church, to show her clearly the danger line in a young christian life. But under the unerring teachings of the spirit of God, who will "guide the meek in judgment", it was borne in upon her tender conscience that these amusements, especially dancing, were injurious to spiritual growth, and a great hindrance to christian usefulness, and though a graceful dancer and much admired upon the floor, she deliberately turned away from these things to "Follow Jesus all the way". This interesting fact in the life of our subject was told me by the sadly bereaved mother, who does not reflect upon the position of her church on these amusements, by honoring her sainted daughter whose conscience was permitted the last word amid the tempest of worldly amusements! In the hearts of young and old, in all the community she won a large place, drawing them to her by that indefinable charm of a superior soul. Hence it was not accident that all called her, not Emily but "Queen Dushane" it was a tribute to a truly regal spirit recognized by all. What wonder then, that a young minister, seeking a helpmate for his holy task of soulsaving should himself be won by the superior charms of such a young christian, and Floyd Bloxton made no mistake when he asked her to unite her splendid womanhood with his rugged and virile manhood for the holiest work kindred spirits can undertake! She was married to Rev. F. E. Bloxton, on June 23, 1896. The wife now of a Methodist Episcopal Minister, she would not allow the invisible barrier of Ecclesiastical organization to interpose any seeming obstacles between her and her larger field of usefulness, hence she united at once with that church which is the most vigorous, and fruitful cion that ever sprang from the old tree upon which she grew! Her decision was not lightly sentimental but strongly conscientious, and was made, and sustained against all the influences which naturally would appeal to her! Once fairly out in the field of the Methodist itinerancy, she not only found a type of religion experiences she had not known before, but entered consciously and vigorously into such an experience herself, an experience which added new joy to her life, new power to her testimony, and wonderful success to her work. After the death of her husband she made her home in Cecilton, Md., for two years, and while overwhelmed by her great sorrow and the problem of caring for two fatherless girls of 11 and 9 years of age. She found time for service in the church. Rev. O. E. Jones, her pastor at Cecilton for most of two years bears this testimony. While, owing to the

recent death of her husband, and the uncertainty as to what she should do, she could not throw herself into the church work as she otherwise might. But she was a great help; especially in revival services, she was a woman of more than average gift, of undoubted consecration, respected thoroughly and loved by all, she was especially gifted in prayer, and I would frequently call upon her to pray at the close of the service. The people loved to hear her pray, she was splendid in song and I can recall how her singing, full of tenderest emotion, would send a thrill through the whole congregation! I have found during my stay on Cecilton charge that she has a sure place in the undying affections of all the people. Miss Mollie McCoy who knew her character and work so well, voices the sentiment of all her associates in the following appreciation:

In Emily D. Bloxton was exemplified those qualities that constitute a noble woman. Being gifted with qualities that drew people to her, and made them her friends her influence for good was mighty. None could have been better fitted, either by nature or grace, for the position she was called to fill. She was an ideal wife for a Methodist preacher. Early in her married life she realized the need of a thorough consecration to her Saviour and his work and yielded herself to Him in full surrender and service.

On that Sabbath morning in January when the message came to her friends telling of her sudden death the whole community was grieved. This was the home of her girlhood and young womanhood, and here she spent the early days of her widowhood giving her valuable assistance to the local church, thus endearing herself anew to the people of this neighborhood. In every home there was sincere mourning, and many were heard to say: "I wish I was as good as Mrs. Bloxton". Her beautiful life was before them, and they believed she was enjoying her reward. Truly of her we can say: "She hath done what she could!" She is remembered by "What she hath done"!

Leaving Cecilton, the home of her childhood, and the haven she sought when the "Billows had gone over her," she removed to the City of Baltimore, where she spent the remaining years in the loving care of little ones, and in faithful work in the Lord's vineyard. She became connected with the First Methodist Episcopal Church of that City, Rev. C. L. Mead, D. D., pastor, who pays this loving tribute to her memory:

"Mrs. Emily D. Bloxton was, for about two years, the church visitor of the First Methodist Episcopal Church, Baltimore, Md., where she rendered most efficient service in visiting among the members of the church and congregation. Her labors among the Sunday School scholars were especially helpful, and her beautiful Christian spirit endeared her to all. Her visits among the sick and strangers, were always full of hope and friendliness, and drew the people to the church and to Christ! She died very peacefully in the consciousness that the Faith that had sustained her through many dark places did not fail her in the "Valley of the shadow of

death". She left behind her a large place to be filled in the community where she had so helpfully toiled". Yes, not many knew how unceasing was her toil, and none heard her complain, but all toil was sweetened by the closest friendship with her Saviour upon whose arm she leaned through all the weary hours, and in whose ears she whispered her hope of heaven's long and unbroken rest in words like these:

In the vineyard I have toiled till my feet are tired,
And halt while I do my best;
But I think of heaven till my soul is fired
With visions of heavenly rest.

Away from the shadows dark and cold,
I look far beyond the blue
To the sunlit hills, all tinted with gold,
Where the glory land I view.

I see the Lamb on His great white throne
With the saints around his feet,
And He smiles upon His loved and own,
Making their joys complete!

I shall find my place among them there,
When life with its toil is past,
Mid scenes of glory surpassing fair,
I'll rest at home at last!

G. L. HARDESTY.

LAYMAN'S ASSOCIATION.

OPENING—The Fourth Annual Meeting of the Layman's Association was held at Immanuel M. E. Church, Crisfield, Md., March 28, 1913: The meeting was called to order by our President T. N. Rawlins. Devotional exercises were in charge of Brother W. J. Downing. Great spiritual power was manifest and an hour was spent with much inspiration and helpfulness to all.

Brother Rawlins in an address gave a brief outline of the history of the Association, the importance of laymen becoming acquainted with each other and the objects of the association. He said that for efficient work on the part of the laymen they should make a special study of the history of Methodism and of the discipline of our Church, and make themselves familiar with the activities of our Church through reading of our official church papers.

INTRODUCTION—Dr. John Krantz of the New York Book Concern spoke for a few minutes on the importance of the layman's being acquainted with our church publications especially the Christian Advocate and the Methodist Discipline.

Dr. S. W. Gehrett of the Philadelphia Conference presented the cause of the Philadelphia Methodist Hospital, telling of the work done and its pressing needs. He also spoke of the Methodist Times and asked for consideration of the same on the part of the laymen of this Conference. Rev. Ivanhoe Willis spoke briefly of his experience in the Philadelphia Hospital testifying to its great work and its efficiency.

Rev. Cyrus P. Keen representative of the Anti-Saloon League gave a talk on the status of Anti-Saloon Cause, giving the effect of the Webb Bill and the present condition of the liquor question in Maryland.

ROLL CALL—The roll was called to which 48 responded. On motion the representatives of churches, on Easton District were to be enrolled as delegates from their respective charges upon notifying the Secretary.

GOUCHER COLLEGE—Bishop Theodore S. Henderson asked for a special committee of five to meet with a like committee on the part of the Annual Conference, to consider ways and means for the relief of Goucher College. On motion the chair appointed Brothers W. O. Hoffecker, W. J. Downing, H. C. Downward, and Madison Willin. By motion Brother T. N. Rawlins was made the fifth member.

COMMITTEES—The President appointed the following committees: Fraternal Greetings—Brothers, W. O. Hoffecker, W. B. Genn, L. E. P. Dennis and John H. Phillips; Nominations—Brothers T. B. Ridgeway, C. P. Swain, J. T. Taylor, A. G. Cox; Finance—Brothers Irving Culver, F.

B. Horsey, H. J. Guthrie; Resolutions—Brothers R. M. Cooper, Victor C. Hitchens, John R. Price, H. C. Downward.

Adjournment till 2.00 p. m.

OPENING—The afternoon session opened with devotional exercises in charge of Rev. John White. Brother J. T. Taylor was called to the Chair. The Finance Committee reported that they had examined the report of the Treasurer and found it correct. They found a balance of \$14.08 and they recommended that bills of the Secretary for printing and stamps and for printing the minutes of the Association in the Conference Journal be allowed.

CHURCH LOYALTY—The question of Church Loyalty was now taken up. Brother Aubrey Vandever discussed the subject from the layman's standpoint, using the letters composing the words "Church Loyalty" as key letters for his discussion.

He was followed by Dr. G. E. Reed who presented Church Loyalty from the ministerial view point. He said: "Be loyal to your own church, so loyal that you will be proud of her and display her colors. Be loyal to the Church's traditions, her customs and her landmarks. Be loyal to our religious press. Be loyal to our religious educational institutions."

GOUCHER COLLEGE—Bishop Henderson was next introduced and presented the cause of Goucher College. He made a statement of the needs of that institution, asking the laymen on their return to the respective charges to present this matter to their respective official boards.

RESOLUTIONS—The Committee on Resolutions reported six resolutions which were taken up in order and adopted:

Henry S. Goldey—Resolution 1.

It is with great regret that we note the loss through death of Brother Henry S. Goldey from the ranks of active workers in our Master's Cause.

He was a pioneer in the organized Sunday School movement in the State of Delaware and as presiding officer by his untiring devotion to the cause he contributed greatly to the upbuilding and perfecting of the present organization.

He was ever in the forefront of the Steward's Endowment movement in this Conference and by his enthusiastic support has kept this worthy cause before the laymen.

Mainly through his efforts our Laymen's Association was organized and its policies outlined. As its first president and later by his kindly advice, he has left his impress on our work.

Not alone in local affairs was his interest shown, but also in the broad field of missionary efforts. By careful study, he made himself

familiar with its many phases and gave unstintingly of his energy and of his means to this great cause.

He became an inspiration in every line of activity in which he engaged and has left a lasting impress upon those with whom he was associated.

As a token of our appreciation for his unselfish and sacrificing life, and as an expression of our feeling of great loss; we, the Layman's Association, order this minute to be recorded in our journal and a copy of the same be sent his widow.

R. M. Cooper
John R. Price
Victor C. Hitchens
Henry C. Downward.

Resolution II—Ministerial Resolution on Anti-Shipping Bill.

Resolved: That we heartily endorse the resolutions of the Ministerial Conference forwarded to Governor Charles R. Miller of Delaware urging him to sign the anti-shipping bill recently passed by the Legislature, to make effective the Webb law in that State.

Resolution III—Young Men and Women.

Whereas: In view of the fact that there are still a great many young men and women leaving the country and small towns to seek positions in the large cities, and

Whereas: Vice is to be found there, on every side, and temptations almost irresistible to those unacquainted with city ways,

Therefore: Be it resolved that this Association suggests and requests that the ministers of the various churches notify when possible the ministers of the City Churches of these young-men and women, so that, they can be looked after and kept under the influence of the Church: and further when these young men and women are members of Church it is desirable that they be given a transfer as soon as possible to some City Church.

Resolution IV—Association Entertainment.

Resolved: That the Pastor of the Church in which the annual Conference shall be held in the future be requested to appoint a committee of Laymen of his church to arrange for entertainment for the delegates to the Laymen's Association; such entertainment to be paid for by the delegates as heretofore.

Resolution V—Church Records.

Whereas: The records of some churches are kept in a very unsatisfactory manner both as to the list of members and also as to deeds and minutes of the various societies,

Therefore: Be it resolved that this Association urge the necessity of a careful and correct history of each church, and that books be furnished of good substantial binding that can be preserved and give the facts connected with the church, and, Further, that these records when complete in any particular, be collected and placed in a safe under the care of the official board of the church.

Resolution VI—Goucher College Resolution.

Resolved: That we approve the action of the joint committee in recommending that this conference assure \$10,000 toward the \$1,000,000 campaign in behalf of Goucher College and pledge our support to this effort to save this great college.

Approved:

R. M. COOPER, Chairman.
VICTOR C. HITCHENS
HENRY C. DOWNWARD
JOHN R. PRICE

MINISTERIAL SUPPORT—Brother W. J. Downing made report of the Ministerial Support Committee. He was followed by Brother W. O. Hoffecker, H. C. Downward, R. M. Cooper, C. A. Short, J. T. Taylor, and John R. Price with remarks on the same subject. The following resolution was then offered by the Secretary and adopted by the Association.

Resolution VII—Church Finance.

Be it resolved that the committee on Betterment of Ministerial Support be empowered to make a selection of at least two laymen from each district who shall be available for service to explain methods of church financing to any congregation upon application of the minister in charge through the superintendent of the said District. Also that this Association upon recommendation of such appointed laymen shall furnish free the envelopes, etc., for one year, to any charge which desires to adopt some form of systematic giving.

The President appointed Brothers Wm. J. Downing, John H. Phillips, H. C. Downward, W. O. Hoffecker, and John G. Townsend members of permanent Committee on Betterment of Ministerial Support.

OFFICERS—The Committee on Nominations made the following report:

For President—T. N. Rawlins.

Vice-President—W. O. Hoffecker, Easton District; John R. Price, Dover District; T. B. Ridgeway, Wilmington District; Judge R. D. Jones, Salisbury District.

Secretary—Clarence A. Short,; Treasurer, Irving Culver.

On motion the report was unanimously adopted and Brother R. M. Cooper instructed to cast the vote for the Association. The nominees were then declared elected.

JOINT SESSION—Committee on Fraternal Greeting reported that an invitation for the Association to meet with the Annual Conference in joint session at 7:15 p. m. had been received from the ministers in session.

On motion the invitation was unanimously accepted.

EVENING SESSION.

OPENING—At 7.15 the Association was called to order. The Minutes of the meeting were read and approved. The Association as by invitation went into joint session with the Annual Conference. Bishop Berry addressed the session on qualifications of laymen essential for most effective work in saving souls. He exhorted the laymen to read regularly at least one church paper, to attend the mid-week services, to maintain family worship and to give of their substance as God prospers them, if possible to pay tithes as did the Jews of old.

CLOSING—Brother T. N. Rawlins responded in a few well chosen words. The Association then adjourned sine die.

Signed, T. N. RAWLINS, President.

Signed, C. A. SHORT, Secretary.

Officers of Lay Electoral Conference.

- 1872—President, John F. Williamson; Secretaries, Dr. W. T. Collins, I. T. Matthews.
- 1876—Pres., R. J. Jump; Secretaries, I. T. Matthews, J. H. Bell.
- 1880—Pres., John F. Williamson; Secy's, P. F. Causey, Dr. R. J. Price.
- 1884—Pres., Henry F. Pickles; Secy's, Dr. R. J. Price, Henry S. Dulaney.
- 1888—Pres., H. C. Dodson; Secy's, Dr. R. J. Price, W. H. Dashiell.
- 1892—Pres., I. T. Matthews; Sec'y, Joseph Smithers.
- 1896—Pres., H. F. Pickles; Secy's, R. M. Cooper, J. W. Coley.
- 1900—Pres., Chas. B. Lore; Secy's, R. M. Cooper, J. S. Collins.
- 1904—Pres., Chas. B. Lore; Secy's, R. M. Cooper, Wesley Webb.
- 1908—Pres., W. O. Hoffecker; Secy's, C. A. Short, A. R. Spaid.
- 1912—Pres., R. D. Jones; Secy's, C. A. Short, H. R. Moore.

Lay Delegates to the General Conference.

- 1872—Delegates, Daniel M. Bates, Walter H. Thompson.
Alternate, John F. Williamson, Thomas Mallalieu.
- 1876—Delegates, John F. Williamson, Thomas Mallalieu.
Alternate, W. J. Jones, Dr. Geo. C. Tyler.
- 1880—Delegates, I. T. Matthews, T. B. Coursey.
Alternate, J. F. Dawson, P. F. Causey.
- 1884—Delegates, F. A. Ellis, Alfred G. Cox.
Alternate, Dr. A. E. Sudler, Jos. Pyle.
- 1888—Delegates, H. P. Cannon, L. S. Melson.
Alternate, Joseph Pyle, Dr. A. E. Sudler.
- 1892—Delegates, Dr. A. E. Sudler, Joseph Pyle.
Alternate, I. T. Parker, J. W. Melson.
- 1896—Delegates, Dr. W. L. Gooding, W. H. Jackson.
Alternate, T. J. Truxton, G. F. Jones.
- 1900—Delegates, Chas. B. Lore, G. E. Hukill, Jos. E. Holland, Geo. A. Cox.
Alternate, S. H. Baynard, G. C. Moore, J. W. Fletcher, L.E.P. Dennis.
- 1904—Delegates, C. B. Lore, H. P. Cannon, R. M. Cooper, J. E. Ellegood.
Alternate, A. W. Sisk, Geo. C. Moore, L. S. Melson.
- 1908—Delegates, J. P. Holland, I. T. Parker, W. O. Hoffecker, R. D. Jones.
Alternate, John G. Townsend, Jr., Joseph W. Coley, J. C. Mullikin.
- 1912—Delegates, C. H. Jefferson, J. G. Townsend, Jr., J. W. Coley, Wm. Saulisbury.
Alternate, Mrs. Wm. M. Field, A. W. Sisk, W. T. Records.

Distribution of Conference Funds.

Date of Claim.	Service.	CLAIMANTS AND ADDRESSES.	Estimate of Q. C.	Annuity Claim	Annuity Paid	Special Fund.	Amount Paid.
RETIREE MINISTERS							
1910	40	Arters, J. A., Middletown, Del.	...	520	320	...	320
1906	17	Bowman, G. W., 5621 Catharine St., Phila., Pa.	...	221	136	...	39 175
1907	42	Burke, G. W., Smyrna, Del.	500	546	336	...	149 485
1899	34	Carroll, James, Milford, Del.	325	442	272	...	58 330
1905	27	Collins, J. M., 222 W. 14th St., Wilmington, Del.	350	351	216	...	44 260
1913	20	Compton, W. P., 6725 Lansdowne Ave., Phila., Pa.	...	260	160	...	290 450
1906	46	Conaway, G. S., Smyrna, Del.	500	598	368	...	117 485
1871	5	Esgate, Jas., 206 Spring St., Brockton, Mass.	600	65	40	...	245 285
1904	25	Greene, W. M., 1011 W. 7th St., Phila., Pa.	600	325	200	...	100 300
1906	35	Harding, T. H., 1011 W. 7th St., Wilmington, Del.	250	455	280	...	65 345
1909	39	Hunter, T. B., 324 W. 3rd St., Long Beach, Cal.	...	507	312	...	312
1889	20	Poole, J. W., 1540 N. 60th St., Phila., Pa.	300	260	160	...	100 260
1913	26	Prouse, J. T., Edgemoor, Del.	...	338	208	...	112 320
1891	30	Redman, W. W., Greenwood, Del.	350	390	240	...	85 325
1912	38	Roe, Robert, Oxford, Md.	450	494	304	...	6 310
1913	51	Thompson, H. S., Smyrna, Del.	...	663	408	...	52 460
1897	24	Tomkinson, W. E., 604 Boas St., Harrisburg, Pa.	600	312	192	...	83 275
1901	28	Wallin, F. O. B., Majorsgarten 5, Stockholm, Sweden.	250	374	224	...	224
1906	21	Walton, O. S., Red Lion, Del.	300	273	168	...	17 185
1891	40	Warner, W. M., Millington, Md.	450	520	320	...	320
1913	28	Willis, D. H., Cambridge, Md.	...	374	224	...	76 300
SUPERNUMERARIES							
		Jester, B. F., 100 Rodney St., Wilmington, Del.	...	...	...	...	130 130
		Lewis, R. H., Fishing Creek, Md.	...	...	...	...	350 350
		Wood, G. E., Hebron, Md.	...	...	...	...	325 325
WIDOWS.							
1903	21	Avery, Lydia M., 119 W. 80th St., New York	150	137	84	...	31 115
1881	8	Bain, Sarah B., 709 6th Ave., Juniata, Pa.	300	52	32	...	158 190
1909	40	Bolton, Mary J., 1711 West St., Wilmington, Del.	300	260	160	...	160
1903	9	Bovie, Selma C., 1140 44th St., Brooklyn, N. Y.	125	59	36	...	89 125
1912	15	Bowen, Sallie L., Newark, Md.	...	98	60	...	60
1879	10	Brandreth, Rebecca M., 344 Shedaker St., Phila., Pa.	300	65	40	...	135 175
1895	4	Brindle, Ellen M., Greensboro, Md.	250	26	16	...	144 160
1898	29	Browne, Clontonia C., 1407 Van Buren St., Wilm., Del.	200	189	116	...	109 225
1896	33	Bryan, Annie V., 322 Reeder St., Easton, Pa.	...	215	132	...	33 165
1909	31	Chandler, Mollie E., Smyrna, Del.	300	202	124	...	126 250
1870	8	Chatham, Annie D., Smyrna, Del., R. Watt, Trustee.	200	52	32	...	168 200
1892	17	Cremer, Sarah V., Wil., Del., Mrs. Jennie Field, Trus.	60	111	68	...	32 100
1905	25	Creed, Fannie, Centreville, Md.	300	163	100	...	100 200
1904	15	Davis, Martha E., Barclay, Md.	250	98	60	...	140 200
1872	1	Ewing, Emma D., Collingswood, N. J.	150	7	4	...	76 80
1891	17	Foreman, Mary A., 614 W. 20th St., Wilmington, Del.	200	111	68	...	107 175
1891	20	Gardner, Louisa A., Smyrna, Del.	200	130	80	...	105 185
1906	16	Graham, Annie M., Clayton, Del.	300	104	64	...	116 180
1893	25	Gregg, G. Annie, Kenton, Del.	...	163	100	...	100
1908	26	Grise, Mary E., Berlin, Md.	250	169	104	...	36 140
1904	43	Haynes, Mrs. T. H., Smyrna, Del.	300	280	172	...	28 200
1900	32	Hynson, Mary A., Salisbury, Md.	250	208	128	...	137 265
1879	16	Irwin, Annie H., 911 Farragut Terrace, Phila., Pa.	350	104	64	...	126 190
1903	30	Kemp, M. Jennie, Chestertown, Md.	300	195	120	...	95 215
1896	4	Lecates, Lizzie M., 2923 E. Balto. St., Baltimore, Md.	400	26	16	...	199 215
1893	13	Melvin, Frances M., 219 E. Park Ave., Savannah, Ga.	350	85	52	...	118 170
1909	35	Nelson, Evelyn J., Pocomoke City, Md.	300	228	140	...	35 175
1887	21	O'Neill, Mary A., 230 N. Carey St., Baltimore, Md.	300	137	84	...	76 160
1882	6	Prettyman, Emma, Salisbury, Md.	200	39	24	...	161 185
1898	44	Quigg, Jane H., 1006 Jefferson St., Wilmington, Del.	300	286	176	...	59 235
1904	25	Rigg, Elizabeth P., 622 W. 6th St., Chester, Pa.	400	163	100	...	100 200
1893	14	Robinson, M. R., Perryman, Md.	200	91	56	...	89 145
1904	35	Sheppard, Mary E., Frankford, Del.	300	228	140	...	40 180
1884	15	Shilling, Emma L., "The Marion", Wilmington, Del.	200	98	60	...	140 200
1905	12	Sidell, Sarah D., 2531 N. Gratz St., Philadelphia, Pa.	250	78	48	...	147 195
1901	12	Swain, Martha H., Dover, Del.	300	78	48	...	232 280
1903	37	Sypherd, Josephine, 22 S. Stenton Pl., Atlantic City, N.J.	150	241	148	...	148
1903	24	Talbot, Laura V., Dover, Del.	...	156	96	...	96
1878	10	Thomas, Mary S., 604 Broome St., Wilmington, Del.	...	65	40	...	60 100
1906	30	Todd, Alice C., Wenonah, N. J.	...	195	120	...	80 200
1878	12	Weston, Laura E., 731 N. 41st St., Philadelphia, Pa.	...	78	48	...	102 150
1913	40	White, Elnora, Millington, Md.	...	260	160	...	60 220
1905	18	Wilcox, Emma L., Salisbury, Md.	...	117	72	...	58 130
1900	8	Williams, Martha S., North East, Md.	...	52	32	...	128 160
ORPHANS.							
1911	40	Miller, Hamline, Rev. G. P. Jones, Trus., Salisbury, Md.	...	104	64	...	86 150
1913	10	Bloxtton, Pauline, C.L.Meade, Trus., 2212 St. Paul, Balt., Md.	...	26	16	...	34 50
1913	10	Bloxtton, Frances, G. L. Hardesty, Trus., Cecilton, Md.	...	26	16	...	34 50

TREASURER'S REPORT.

	Cash Vouchers Total	
Board of Foreign Miss.		
Dover	3657	186
Easton	2761	52
Salisbury	3673	300
Wilmington	4056	107
Totals	14147	645

	Cash Vouchers Total	
Board of Home Missions and Church Extension.		
Dover	3688	89
Easton	2941	
Salisbury	3739	225
Wilmington	4021	111
Totals	14389	425

	Cash Vouchers Total	
Freedman's Aid.		
Dover	198	33
Easton	135	20
Salisbury	349	10
Wilmington	281	7
Totals	963	70

	Cash Vouchers Total	
Public Educational Collection		
Dover	95	
Easton	57	
Salisbury	26	5
Wilmington	99	10
Totals	277	15

	Cash Vouchers Total	
Children's Fund.		
Dover	210	13
Easton	92	11
Salisbury	168	16
Wilmington	236	18
Totals	706	58

	Cash Vouchers Total	
Conference Education.		
Dover	100	
Easton	85	
Salisbury	117	
Wilmington	126	20
Totals	428	20

	Cash Vouchers Total	
Board of Sunday Schools.		
From Churches		
Dover	35	
Easton	41	
Salisbury	36	1
Wilmington	54	1
Totals	166	2

	Cash Vouchers Total	
From Sunday Schools		
Dover	217	14
Easton	146	7
Salisbury	204	3
Wilmington	209	2
Totals	776	26

	Cash Vouchers Total	
Board of Conference Claimants— Connectional Fund.		
Dover	9	
Easton	42	
Salisbury	17	7
Wilmington	26	
Totals	94	1

	Cash Vouchers Total	
Steward's Endowment.		
Dover	180	
Easton	148	
Salisbury	153	
Wilmington	175	
Totals	656	656

	Cash Vouchers Total	
Temperance Society.		
Dover	42	10
Easton	22	10
Salisbury	52	5
Wilmington	49	55
Totals	165	80

	Cash Vouchers Total	
Woman's For. Miss. Society.		
Dover		536
Easton	9	684
Salisbury	6	56
Wilmington		1752
Totals	15	3028

	Cash Vouchers Total	
Woman's Home Miss. Society.		
Dover	265	
Easton	1	519
Salisbury	3	255
Wilmington		1888
Totals	4	2927

	Cash Vouchers Total	
American Bible Society.		
Dover	118	20
Easton	91	5
Salisbury	107	56
Wilmington	122	12
Totals	438	93

	Cash Vouchers Total	
Conference Academy.		
Dover	325	203
Easton	229	260
Salisbury	435	182
Wilmington	340	144
Totals	1329	789

	Cash Vouchers Total	
Central Office of Epworth League.		
Dover	18	8
Easton	51	9
Salisbury	32	19
Wilmington	33	26
Totals	134	62

	Cash Vouchers Total	
Methodist Brotherhood		
Dover		
Easton	1	4
Salisbury	2	
Wilmington		17
Totals	3	21

	Cash Vouchers Total	
City Mission		
Dover	4	587
Easton	19	425
Salisbury	32	235
Wilmington	59	1208
Totals	114	2455

Total Disciplinary Col's. \$45,527
 Compared with 1912, increase \$1874

	Cash Vouchers Total	
Domestic Missions.		
Dover	335	
Easton	316	
Salisbury	383	
Wilmington	336	
Totals	1370	1370

	Cash Vouchers Total	
Philadelphia Hospital.		
Dover	205	210
Easton	108	126
Salisbury		418
Wilmington	162	178
Totals	475	932

	Cash Vouchers Total	
Anti-Saloon League		
Dover		125
Easton		163
Salisbury	99	98
Wilmington		42
Totals	99	428

	Cash Vouchers Total	
Conference Claimants.		
Dover	2881	
Easton	2456	
Salisbury	3493	
Wilmington	3454	
Totals	12284	12284

	Cash Vouchers Total	
Episcopal Fund.		
Dover	449	
Easton	352	
Salisbury	585	9
Wilmington	454	5
Totals	1840	14

	Cash Vouchers Total	
General Conference Expenses.		
Dover	7	
Easton	75	
Salisbury		
Wilmington	32	
Totals	114	114

Total Non-Disciplinary Cols. \$17556
 Compared with 1912, increase \$1891
Grand Total 1913 \$63083
 Compared with 1912, increase \$3765
HENRY G. BUDD,
 Treasurer.

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DOVER DISTRICT.

NAMES OF CHARGES	Church Membership					Epw th League		Church Property					General Conf'ce Expen's					
	Probationers		Full Members			Senior Members	Junior Members	Churches	Estimated Value	Parsonages	Estimated Value	Paid for Buildings and Improvements on Churches and Parsonages	Paid on Old Indebtedness on Churches and Parsonages	Present Indebtedness on Churches and Parsonages	Current Expenses, ton, Fuel, Light, etc.	Apportioned for the Quadrennium	Paid this Year	Balance Due
	Enrolled During Year	Now on Roll	Members on Roll	Non-Resident Mem-bers	Local Preachers														Deaths
1 Arm'y & As'y	40	120	9	8	6	50	18	2	\$ 4200	1	\$2500	100			\$185			
2 Beckwith	35	182	1	1	3	56	50	2	6000	1	2000	50			150			
3 Blad's & Epw.	2	20	106	1	1	1	40	2	3200	1	1500	100		900				
4 Bridgeville	1	1	250	1	1	2	42	40	6000	1	2500	390		270	200			
5 Burrsville Ct.	24	24	210	1	3	3		4	3500	1	1500	56	30		100			
6 Cambridge	37	38	332	28	1	4	68		65000	1	4000	19560		30000	615			
7 Camden	19	9	191	33	6		16	2	9000	1	1500	575			200			
8 Canterbury			76	1	1			3	6900			48			91			
9 Church Cr'k.	2	1	300	5	1	100		4	6000	1	1500	70			100			
10 Concord Ct	35	16	380	10	2	140	58	4	9800	1	2800	500			150			
11 Crapo Ct	78	38	380	19	2	140	71	1	11000	1	1200	875		350	180			
12 Denton	43	42	216	19	2	62	71	1	10000	2	9000	251			365	5		
13 Dover	2	1	214	16	2	6	40	1	32000	1	8000	87			829			
14 E. N. Market	26	32	322	16	2	160	52	3	8000	1	3000		225	684	248			
15 Ellendale	34	23	244	2	6	28		4	4700	1	600	153			180			
16 Elliott's Isl	8	56	55		3			1	2508	1	400	15	16		58			
17 Farmington	6	5	197		3	25	15	4	7000	1	1200	45			55			
18 Federalsburg	8	8	242		3			1	8000	1	3000	1468			225			
19 Felton	8	2	400	10	8	50		3	10000	1	1500				140			
20 Frederica	30	40	232	1	5		60	1	10000	1	1500	210			260			
21 Galestown	25	25	250	1	12			4	15000	1	1500	207			150			
22 Georgetown	12	13	460	1	3	100	45	1	15000	1	8500	130	600	4100	700			
23 Georget'n Ct	28	30	285	25	10			4	7000	1	1600	150			115			
24 Greenwood	24	15	296	1	4	100	35	4	9600	1	2500	342	856	45	160			
25 Harrington	50	60	352		2	80	30	1	8500	1	2500				300			
26 Hick'n&Epw		5	80		2	25		2	3000			85			142			
27 Hooper's Isl	24		36	1	2			4	4000			475	500		150			
28 Houston	19		176	1	4	30	25	3	6800	1	1500	275		35	200			
29 Hurlock	3	1	170	3	1		52	3	9800	1	1800	1500			108			
30 Lakesville	17		118	1	4			4	7000	1	900	144	6		375			
31 Leipsic	30	12	84	2	2			2	7080	1	1600	325	100	300	200			
32 Lewes	29	28	288	8	1	52	60	1	12500	1	3500	50	1800	5900	109			
33 Lincoln	48	80	333	7	2	100		4	25000	1	1200	78	725	447	200			
34 Little Creek	6	37	94		1	40		2	3500				71		127			
35 Mag & Br Ch	20	20	325		2	30		3	8500	1	2000				100			
36 Milford	9	7	343	67	12	100	70	1	15000	1	5000	1490		800	666			
37 Mil.Nk & Lw			211	8	2			2	400		25				80			
38 Milton	14	14	189		4			1	12000	1	2500	172			241			
39 Nassau		22	285		3			3	6000	1	1000	550			285	1		
40 Preston	28	28	151	5	1	120		3	10000	1	2000	264			216			
41 Rehoboth	18	23	201	15	1	3	43	55	3900	1	2200	200		1200	150			
42 Salem	11	7	35		2			4	3600	1	800	40			50			
43 Seaford	1	6	366		2	4	35	1	12000	1	2500	326			475			
44 Seaford Ct	9	12	311	7	1	3	143	4	6600	1	2500	106			171			
45 Taylo s Isl.			66	1	5	20	26	4	6000	1	1200		60	37	27			
46 Vienna	32	40		1	1			4	4200	1	1200	17			87			
47 Williamsb'rg	1	4	123		1		20	4	12500	1	2400	3900		1552	100			
48 Wyoming	27	27	224		27	34		3	6800			530	60	440	75			
49 Zoar	44	44	224	10	2	5		4										
Total	967	851	10394	290	27	170	1871	907	125	477500	43	101600	85336	4825	46960	9731	6	

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DOVER DISTRICT.

NAMES OF CHARGES	Sunday Schools													
	Sunday Schools	Officers and Teachers	Total Enroll't in all Depts. Incl. Cradle Roll, Home Dept., Offi's, Teach's, S. C. Is	Scholars of all Grades	Average Attendance of all Grades	Members in the Home Department	Children on the Cradle Roll	Officers and Teachers Ch. Members or Probationers	Scholars Incl. Home Dept. Ch. Mem's or Probaters	Members Sunday Sch. converted during Conf. Year	Church	Collec's for		
												Sunday School	10% of Sunday Sch. Miss. Offering	Sunday School Expenses; Lesson Leaves, Books, etc.
1 Armory and Asbury	2	24	224	160	80	10	30	24	90	16				
2 Beckwith	2	30	241	196	115		15	30	125	25			4	45
3 Blades and Epworth	2	20	290	250	100	20		18	50	2			1	50
4 Bridgeville	1	23	215	177	108		15	28	10				2	125
5 Burrsville Circuit	4	50	360	300	180		10	50					2	40
6 Cambridge	1	44	558	424	260	60	30	40		24			18	180
7 Camden	2	25	247	202	145	7	13	25	77	8			4	65
8 Canterbury	3	35	272	207			30	33					1	36
9 Church Creek	2	22	132	110	65			22	50				1	20
10 Concord Circuit	4	50	350	300	190			50	175	20			5	75
11 Crapo Circuit	4	50	450	400	250			48	200	40			6	60
12 Denton	1	24	394	306	205	25	35	24	156	41			5	18
13 Dover	1	21	198	139	110	21	14	21					4	65
14 East New Market	3	55	532	429	331		48	55	300	30			5	200
15 Ellendale	4	41	335	249	160	18	32	41	205	17			2	105
16 Elliott's Island	1	9	116	107	100		9			4			2	25
17 Farmington	4	46	256	216	150		48						2	50
18 Federalsburg	1	27	287	235	123	25	27	188	8				1	178
19 Felton	3	56	400	320	300	18	6	54	60	6			15	125
20 Frederica	1	34	422	360	140	12	16	34	230	30			6	130
21 Galestown	4	50	365	300	100		15	47		10			3	50
22 Georgetown	1	28	420	333	170	45	14	28	125	10			5	275
23 Georgetown Circuit	4	65	375	250	200		60	65	225	20			2	75
24 Greenwood	4	69	547	451	258		27	68	260	41			6	115
25 Harrington	1	28	336	250	125	28	30	28					8	70
26 Hickman and Epworth	2	25	212	177	100		10	25					2	45
27 Hooper's Island	3	7	112	105	80		7						2	35
28 Houston	3	41	353	284	150	2	26	41	149	14			5	135
29 Hurlock	3	22	170	148	100		21						6	40
30 Lakesville	4	39	181	142	96		39	40		2			2	92
31 Leipsic	2	23	143	108	60	4	8	23	32	15			2	38
32 Lewes	1	33	411	276	145	65	37	33	120	20			6	190
33 Lincoln	3	40	380	300	250		40	40	250	50			2	100
34 Little Creek	2	15	165	130	90		20	12	70	3			1	48
35 Magnolia and Barrett's Chapel	3	40	408	285	200	62	21	40	200	20			2	100
36 Milford	1	22	582	500	375	40	20	22	250	8			6	330
37 Milford Neck and Laws	2	25	226	195	100		6	25	75				3	25
38 Milton	1	17	209	179	95		13	17	75	20			12	130
39 Nassau	3	55	410	305	192	16	34	47	180	2			3	110
40 Preston	3	33	278	240	180		5	26	106	31			4	95
41 Rehoboth	2	41	255	184	135	24	6	36	145	16			1	2
42 Salem	2	10	67	45	31		12	10	20	6				30
43 Seaford	1	40	599	447	183	59	53	39	187	1			4	16
44 Seaford Circuit	4	64	509	411	256		34	64	183	6			2	155
45 Taylor's Island	1	10	110	100	60		10	26						27
46 Vienna	4	30	170	140	90		25	40	34					70
47 Williamsburg	4	34	185	151	120		34							45

STATISTICAL DOVER DISTRICT.

Table with columns: NAME OF CHARGES, NAMES OF PASTORS, Ministerial Support (Support of Pastor, Support District Supt., Support Bishops, Support Conf. Cl'mnts), Baptisms (Total Deficiency, Adults Baptized, Children Baptized, Baptized Children under instruction as Probaters).

TREASURER'S DOVER DISTRICT.

Table with columns: NAMES OF CHARGES, Disciplinary Benevolences (Missions, Education, Bd. of S. S., Conf. Cl'ts, Church Temp'rance Society, Woman's Foreign Missionary Society, Wo-man's Home Mis'y Soc'y, American Bible Society, City Missionary of Church Extension Society, Central Office Expenses E.L., Methodist Brotherhood Dues, Other Benevolences).

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EASTON DISTRICT.

NAMES OF CHARGES	Church Membership					Epw'th League		Church Property						General Conf'ce Expen's				
	Probationers		Full Members			Senior Members	Junior Members	Churches	Estimated Value	Parsonages	Estimated Value	Paid for Buildings and Improvements on Churches and Parsonages	Paid on Old Indebtedness on Churches and Parsonages	Present Indebtedness on Churches and Parsonages	Current Expenses, Tax, Fuel, Light, etc.	Apportioned for the Quadrennium	Paid this Year	Balance Due
	Enrolled During Year	Now on Roll	Members on Roll	Non-Resident Mem-bers	Local Preachers														Deaths
1 Bayside.....			120	10	4	40	2	\$ 5500	\$ 900	\$ 8084			506	50				
2 Bozman.....	12	24	145	2	3	90	2	7500	1000	200				180	6	3		
3 Cecilton.....	1	6	208	2	3	80	2	10500	2000	75				225		3		
4 Centerville.....	41	43	238	33	1	5	1	9000	3300	500				465				
5 Chestertown.....	75	12	252	6	1	60	1	16000	4000					520		5		
6 Cheswold.....	55	60	204	6	4	40	3	8000	2600					146				
7 Church Hill.....	18	13	138	1	4	20	3	9200	1500	250	25			260				
8 Clayton.....	1	1	145		4	70	1	3500	1800		150	150		175		3		
9 Cordova.....	15	15	132		3	20	3	5500	1500	1000				60				
10 Crumpton.....	10	10	175	25	1		3	5000	1000	200				150	12	2	10	
11 Easton.....	9	10	262		5	60	1	20000	4000	3700				825	21	7	14	
12 Fairlee.....	21	17	118				2	7000	2000	415				175				
13 Galena.....	7	8	120			24	1	7000	1200					150		2		
14 Golt.....			75		1		3	4500						60				
15 Greensboro.....	1	1	246	26	8	40	1	12000	4000					200		3		
16 Henderson.....	3	3	180	1	7		3	3500	1500		212	700		50				
17 Hillsboro.....	12	15	139	1	1		2	8000	1500					100	6	3	3	
18 Kent Island.....	29	30	223	10	3	74	3	7500	2500	275				225	9			
19 Kenton.....	13	13	218	2		40	3	5000	1800					175				
20 Marydel.....	15	15	317		4	38	4	7000	1500	158				318	10	3	7	
21 Middletown.....	2	9	294	18	2		1	18000	2500	400	1758			602				
22 Millington.....		3	139	8	6		1	7000	2000					267		3		
23 Odessa.....			214	20	3	65	1	7000	2000	75				245				
24 Oxford.....			85			40	1	3000						150				
25 Piney Neck.....	47	38	23		2	18	1	2000	1200	157	12			53		1		
26 Pomona.....	18	18	116			35	2	3500	1500	300				80				
27 Queenstown.....	1	3	164		2	73	3	5700		115	31			134		2		
28 Ridgely.....	2		162			44	1	10000	2500	80				100		5		
29 Rock Hall.....	165	10	313		2	30	1	10000	2000	1000	200			200				
30 Royal Oak.....	12	12	100		1	2	3	6000	2000	900	300	600		185	5	2	3	
31 Salem Ct.....	13	29	137	31	1	3	3	3500		146				108		2		
32 St. Michael.....	3	2	154	6		100	1	24000	2500	300	1642	58		315	4	2	2	
33 Smyrna.....	45	45	390		2	4	1	20000	3500	311				728				
34 Smyrna Ct.....	75	60	315		1	65	3	6000	2000	64				500		4		
35 Still Pond.....	30	30	250	35		2	1	12000	2000	1600				225		5		
36 Sudlersville.....	8	8	190		3	40	2	10500	3000	100				200				
37 Tilghman Is.....	20	18	108			30	2	3500	1000	33				130				
38 Townsend.....	23	14	202	6		42	3	15200	2000	67	300	185		291		2		
39 Trappe.....		14	202	6		1	2	3700	1800	80	40			100		4		
40 Wye.....	1	12	72	3	2	20	1	2000	1800	125				68				
Total.....	703	619	7217	245	11	103	1466	915	79	323800	74900	15600	4670	3261	8960	69	75	41

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EASTON DISTRICT.

NAME OF CHARGES	Sunday School's													
	Sunday Schools	Officers and Teachers	Total Enroll't in all Depts. Inc. Cradle Roll, Home Dept. Off's, Teach's, Schls.	Scholars of all Grades	Average Attendance of all Grades	Members in the Home Department	Children on the Cradle Roll	Officers and Teachers Ch. Members or Probationers	Scholars incl. Home Dept. Ch. Mem's or Prob'ers	Members Sunday Sch. converted during Conf. Year	Church	Collec's for Bd. of S. S.	Sunday School Miss. Offering	Sunday School Expenses: Lesson Leaves, Books, etc.
1 Bayside.....	31	217	146	76	40		31	74					50	
2 Bozman & Neavitt.....	23	140	117	80			23	27					50	
3 Cecilton.....	32	292	249	140		11	31	113					88	
4 Centerville.....	32	257	215	130		10	32	118					86	
5 Chestertown.....	31	266	235	156			150	75	40			10	175	
6 Cheswold.....	31	237	206	87			30	95	36			5	300	
7 Church Hill.....	34	200	148	115	4	14	32	118	13				135	
8 Clayton.....	20	191	156	95		15	18	75	1				144	
9 Cordova.....	20	140	120	75			20		10				140	
10 Crumpton.....	45	220	175	125			40	75	8				125	
11 Easton.....	26	341	315	155			26	76	8				85	
12 Fairlee.....	22	215	164	80		29	22	47	11				85	
13 Galena.....	14	110	96	65			14		10				40	
14 Golt.....	20	120	100	40			20	35					25	
15 Greensboro.....	28	278	226	98		24	27	80					80	
16 Henderson.....	30	175	145	100			30	50					80	
17 Hillsboro.....	22	147	125	75			22	60	15				50	
18 Kent Island.....	41	426	342	200		48	41	65	36				58	
19 Kenton.....	34	257	195	100	11	17	34		4				62	
20 Marydel.....	59	559	426	388	46	28	59	168	12				114	
21 Middletown.....	20	192	150	100			22	20	47				50	
22 Millington.....	20	214	132	85	42	20	20	40					50	
23 Odessa.....	18	188	80	60	25	15	15	30					50	
24 Oxford.....	17	97	80	60			15	30					50	
25 Piney Neck.....	22	225	203	114			17	5					60	
26 Pomona.....	35	170	135	70			11	33	52				50	
27 Queenstown.....	45	315	223	110		47	45	46					70	
28 Ridgely.....	18	190	172	120			18	94	1				36	
29 Rock Hall.....	30	330	300	200			30	250	100				60	
30 Royal Oak.....	20	167	135	90	12		20	75	6				100	
31 Salem Circuit.....	18	110	92	30			18	30	6				24	
32 St. Michael.....	88	268	230	175			38	160	3				80	
33 Smyrna.....	45	399	311	235	25	18	42	259	30				138	
34 Smyrna Circuit.....	36	258	200	125		22	36		75				263	
35 Still Pond.....	35	290	255	170			35		26				48	
36 Sudlersville.....	35	190	155	100			33	85	8				195	
37 Tilghman's Island.....	20	252	176	70		56	20		8				75	
38 Townsend.....	28	293	228	115	10	27	28	82	14				65	
39 Trappe.....	36	310	154	100	20	36	140						107	
40 Wye.....	6	76	70	40			6		1				90	
Total.....	79	1137	9312	7422	4549	315	438	1225	2787	569	41	27	126	3410

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SALISBURY DISTRICT.

NAMES OF CHARGES	Church Membership						Epw'th League		Church Property								
	Probationers		Full Members				Senior Members	Junior Members	Churches	Estimated Value	Parsonages	Estimated Value	Paid for Buildings and Improvements on Churches and Parsonages	Paid on Old Indebtedness on Churches and Parsonages	Present Indebtedness on Churches and Parsonages	Current Expenses, Sexton, Light, Fuel, etc.	
	Enrolled During Year	Now on Roll	Members on Roll	Non-Resident Members	Local Preachers	Deaths During Year											
1 Annessex	3	3	105	1	1	.....	2	8500	1	2000	.....	150	200	.....	50
2 Asbury	116	59	562	1	6	.....	1	15000	1	5000	.....	124	850	.....	345
3 Berlin	26	29	308	4	50	25	2	25000	1	3000	.....	6000	.....	200	.....	
4 Bethel	102	110	286	4	3	3	2	4500	1	1200	.....	40	.....	126	.....	
5 Bishopville	28	.....	349	4	2	4	4	8000	1	1500	.....	150	.....	160	.....	
6 Cape Charles	.....	2	46	.....	4	58	.....	1	2800	.....	.....	.....	.....	95	.....	
7 Chincoteague	5	5	170	.....	1	.....	.....	1	6500	1	2500	.....	.....	240	.....	
8 Claremont	24	26	126	.....	2	.....	2	4000	1	1850	.....	25	1825	.....	101
9 Crisfield	40	45	520	.....	4	60	60	1	85000	1	10000	850	.....	9080	450
10 Deal's Island	55	46	227	.....	2	4	47	40	2	11500	1	1200	148	394	454	
11 Delmar	5	49	363	.....	2	5	100	.....	1	7000	1	2000	200	.....	400
12 Fairmount	4	.....	800	1	12	65	.....	2	20000	1	3000	600	.....	1800	400
13 Frankford	3	3	343	1	1	3	70	35	3	12000	1	1800	173	.....	215	
14 Fruitland	32	8	191	5	.....	3	80	.....	4	4000	1	1800	200	.....	152
15 Girdletree	23	23	203	3	.....	2	40	.....	4	6000	1	1800	1092	.....	150
16 Gumboro	24	12	339	1	2	25	.....	4	7000	1	1000	.....	.....	95	.....	
17 Hebron	8	10	112	.....	1	25	30	.....	1	2000	1	2000	80	200	170
18 Holland's Is.	26	.....	83	.....	5	.....	.....	1	2000	1	700	75	.....	51	.....	
19 Laurel	184	181	445	.....	5	75	.....	1	53000	1	5000	15250	19500	452	.....	
20 Mardela Sp'g	27	19	141	2	4	60	40	3	3500	1	1500	.....	400	600	50	
21 Marion	4	4	117	4	.....	1	.....	2	5000	1	2500	.....	.....	115	.....	
22 Millsboro	15	14	185	13	2	53	40	3	6000	1	1000	175	.....	150	.....	
23 Millville	7	10	397	.....	2	30	.....	3	11000	.....	.....	125	575	150	.....	
24 Mt. Pleasant	14	22	366	1	3	.....	.....	3	4000	1	2000	275	.....	100	.....	
25 Mt. Vernon	42	16	214	2	6	.....	.....	2	6500	1	1000	85	230	100	150
26 Nanticoke	5	9	367	3	3	40	30	4	11000	1	1500	.....	250	450	.....	
27 Newark	36	36	180	.....	3	38	26	3	4000	1	1000	75	54	.....	125
28 Ocean View	14	16	222	8	5	61	54	1	4000	1	1600	55	54	.....	100	
29 Onancock	49	60	300	1	6	31	15	5	9500	1	2500	1100	100	600	200		
30 Parsonsburg	15	20	410	35	1	3	30	3	9000	1	1500	900	144	.....	110	
31 Phoebus	9	.....	64	.....	2	1	73	.....	1	7500	1	2500	123	50	145
32 Pittsville	54	54	125	.....	4	45	30	2	2508	.....	.....	.....	.....	20	.....	
33 Pocomo'eC'y	7	7	801	.....	1	35	.....	1	18000	1	2000	140	800	4200	206
34 Pocomoke Ct	27	3	160	.....	1	.....	.....	4	4119	1	900	50	.....	67	.....	
35 Powellville	.....	.....	120	.....	1	.....	.....	4	3600	1	1000	45	145	150	60
36 Princ'ss Ann	97	17	805	10	4	50	.....	2	8000	1	4500	.....	.....	200	.....	
37 Quantico	6	21	122	11	3	.....	.....	2	5500	1	1800	.....	.....	120	.....	
38 Roxana	18	23	278	.....	1	5	29	2	4500	1	1200	200	.....	108	.....	
39 St. Peter's	10	3	316	10	1	5	25	3	6500	1	1500	.....	300	.....	175
40 S'b'y-Asbury	24	24	505	12	11	80	55	1	50000	1	8000	8500	500	550	.....	
41 -Grace	32	32	125	35	1	110	75	1	6000	.....	.....	30	300	126	.....	
42 Salisbury Ct.	37	37	164	.....	1	7	25	3	3000	.....	125	.....	.....	100	.....	
43 Selbyville	28	.....	240	.....	3	7	20	70	2	22000	1	4000	13000	3000	165
44 Sharptown	40	21	320	36	1	4	60	50	1	7000	1	1500	25	25	212		
45 Smith's Isl.	75	82	268	.....	4	.....	.....	3	7000	1	1500	.....	100	.....	175
46 Snow Hill	4	12	273	.....	4	60	.....	1	30000	1	3000	.....	.....	306	.....	
47 Somerset	.....	22	240	2	2	50	.....	2	8000	1	1500	.....	.....	125	.....	
48 Stockton	29	22	271	10	5	155	32	4	9500	1	2000	280	.....	105	.....	
49 Tangier	8	3	448	.....	2	.....	.....	1	12000	1	1500	1100	.....	500	360
50 Westover	19	6	62	30	1	.....	.....	2	5000	1	1500	42	200	600	67
51 Whitesville	44	46	296	5	.....	.....	.....	3	4500	1	1000	50	.....	20	97
Total	1504	1198	12939	272	28	176	1928	816	117	5263	19	46	95150	52403	9306	43843	8345

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SALISBURY DISTRICT.

NAMES OF CHARGES	Sunday Schools												
	Sunday Schools	Officers and Teachers	Total Enroll't in all Depts. Inc. Cradle, Roll, Home Dept. Off. T, Teach. s. Schis.	Scholars of all Grades	Average Attendance of all Grades	Members in the Home Department	Children on the Cradle Roll	Officers and Teachers Ch. Members or Probationers	Scholars incl. Home Dept. Ch. Mem's or Prob'ers	Members Sunday Sch. converted during Conf. Year	Collec's for Bd. of S. S.		
											Church	Sunday School	10% of Sunday Sch. Miss. Offering	Sunday School Expenses, Lesson Leaves, Books, etc.
1 Annessex	2	18	128	110	80	.....	18	.....	2	.....	.....	.....	80
2 Asbury	1	31	425	894	212	.....	31	135	85	.....	5	.....	181
3 Berlin	2	42	527	450	230	10	25	42	250	20	.....	8	124
4 Bethel	2	36	360	294	205	.....	30	150	50	.....	2	.....	80
5 Bishopville	4	58	654	484	368	4	2	58	328	13	.....	5	95
6 Claremont	1	15	247	220	100	.....	12	15	80	.....	.....	.....	78
7 Cape Charles	1	18	328	284	.....	.....	26	.....	195	5	.....	.....	145
8 Chincoteague	2	36	810	260	190	.....	20	20	60	23	2	.....	101
9 Crisfield	1	36	796	710	350	.....	20	36	500	50	.....	5	575
10 Deal's Island	2	35	285	225	197	.....	25	35	.....	20	.....	8	208
11 Delmar	1	32	625	492	212	36	65	32	300	6	.....	12	110
12 Fairmount	2	28	348	320	150	.....	28	.....	.....	4	.....	2	100
13 Frankford	3	48	462	392	200	.....	22	48	210	.....	.....	.....	137
14 Fruitland	3	34	285	213	192	18	20	32	10	12	.....	4	110
15 Girdletree	4	30	300	260	200	.....	10	30	.....	18	1	.....	100
16 Gumboro	4	40	402	332	275	.....	30	40	150	.....	.....	.....	45
17 Hebron	1	13	135	122	65	.....	13	90	.....	.....	.....	.....	26
18 Holland's Island	1	14	75	61	50	.....	14	55	20	.....	.....	.....	25
19 Laurel	1	42	682	580	305	.....	60	41	306	47	5	.....	234
20 Mardela Springs	3	30	206	176	80	.....	30	150	21	1	.....	.....	60
21 Marion	2	20	125	105	72	.....	19	70	4	.....	.....	.....	40
22 Millsboro	3	39	434	380	185	.....	15	39	260	5	.....	4	125
23 Millville	3	55	630	485	256	.....	90	52	288	7	.....	.....	80
24 Mt. Pleasant	3	36	416	380	160	.....	36	275	14	.....	.....	.....	125
25 Mt. Vernon	2	29	219	190	130	.....	29	95	35	5	.....	.....	120
26 Nanticoke	4	50	362	312	200	.....	50	200	3	.....	.....	.....	90
27 Newark	3	30	200	170	125	.....	30	110	45	.....	.....	.....	45
28 Ocean View	1	27	240	190	130	.....	23	25	150	11	1	.....	141
29 Onancock	5	65	567	502	340	.....	65	275	51	.....	1	.....	125
30 Parsonsburg	3	55	573	480	234	.....	88	54	400	10	.....	6	100
31 Phoebus	1	12	102	90	65	.....	12	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	35
32 Pittsville	2	20	320	300	.....	.....	20	100	50	.....	.....	.....	63
33 Pocomoke City	1	24	328	274	145	.....	30	24	60	7	5	.....	150
34 Pocomoke Circuit	4	25	180	155	95	.....	25	.....	16	.....	.....	.....	18
35 Powellville	4	25	160	135	90	.....	20	30	.....	.....	.....	.....	40
36 Princess Anne	2	30	255	225	190	.....	30	.....	15	.....	.....	.....	31
37 Quantico	3	30	192	162	110	.....	30	90	6	.....	.....	.....	81
38 Roxana	2	33	250	152	150	.....	65	33	95	15	.....	7	125
39 St. Peter's	2	33	315	282	215	.....	33	225	13	.....	.....	.....	119
40 Salisbury-Asbury	1	42	584	488	300	20	34	42	350	20	25	.....	275
41 -Grace	1	14	292	243	125	.....	35	14	25	.....	.....	.....	132
42 Salisbury Circuit	3	29	179	150	100	.....	29	50	12	.....	.....	6	40
43 Selbyville	2	30	500	386	235	40	44	29	250	20	.....	.....	200
44 Sharptown	1	24	434	385	170	.....	25	22	260	26	5	.....	75
45 Smith's Island	3	55	375	320	300	.....	55	.....	50	.....	.....	.....	150
46 Snow Hill	1	21	355	313	147	6	15	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	102
47 Somerset	2	25	265	240	180	.....	25	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	125
48 Stockton	4	52	575	454	222	36	33	45	158	22	3	164
49 Tangier	2	50	775	725	625	50	400	20				

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Table with columns: NAMES OF CHARGES, NAMES OF PASTORS, Ministerial Support (Total Claim, Support of Pastor, Support of District Supt., Support of Bishop, Support of Conf. Cl'mnts), Baptisms (Adults Baptized, Children Baptized, Baptized Children under instruction as Probationers), Total Deficiency.

TREASURER'S SALISBURY DISTRICT.

Table with columns: NAMES OF CHARGES, Disciplinary Benevolences (Missions, Education, B'd. of S. S., Conf. Cl't's, Church Temp. Soc'y, Woman's For. Miss. Soc'y, Womans Home Mis'ry Society, American Bible Society, City Missionary or Church Extension Society, Central Office Exp. E. L., Meth'dist Brotherh'd Dues, Conference Academy, Domestic Missions, Philadelphia Hospital), Other Benevolences.

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WILMINGTON DISTRICT.

NAMES OF CHARGES	Church Membership					Epw'th League	Church Property						General Conf'ee Expen's				
	Probationers		Full Members				Senior Members	Junior Members	Churches	Estimated Value	Parsonages	Estimated Value		Paid for Buildings and Improvements on Churches and Parsonages	Paid on Old Indebtedness on Churches and Parsonages	Present Indebtedness on Churches and Parsonages	Current Expenses, Sex-ton, Fuel, Light, etc.
	Enrolled During Year	Now on Roll	Members on Roll	Non-Resident Mem-bers	Local Preachers													Deaths	Appropriated for the Quadrennium	Paid this Year	Balance Due
1 Bethel Circuit.....	30	10	100	4	1	2	2	\$ 8000	1	\$ 2000	\$ 700	\$ 150	600	230			
2 Cedars.....	2		27			24	1	2500						50			
3 Charlestown.....	10		97			50	1	5000			125			125			
4 Cherry Hill.....	31	37	273	3		69	3	8000		2000	2240			175			
5 Chesapeake Cy.....	30		105		2	37	40	10000		2200	740		1500	150			
6 Chester-Bethel.....	1	3	127	15	1	30	29	12000		2200	25	100	100	164			
7 Christiana.....	6	3	77			1	2	10000		1200	50			150			
8 Claymont.....	20	17	32			30	29	7000		1000	17			104			
9 Colora.....	38	4	114	19		34	25	3000		1500	60	205	530	102			
10 Delaware City.....	1	4	93	4		30	2	15000		2000	60	110	400	100			
11 Ebenezer.....	1		120	5		2	2	7000		2000	70			56			
12 Elk Neck.....			72	9		3	20	3500		1000	70			420			
13 Elkton.....		10	360	1		3	75	14000		5000	300			120			
14 Hockessin.....	2	2	80	7	1	1	1	2500		1500	150			120			
15 Hopewell.....		3	130			4	36	6500		2000	80	50		110	12 3 8		
16 Kirkwood.....			7			1	1	1800									
17 Marshallton.....	2	21	78	3		2	56	3000		88				190			
18 Mt Lebanon.....		19	109	1		1	1	5000		3000	15			100			
19 Mt Pleasant.....	6	3	150	3		1	84	5500		3000	509			267			
20 Newark.....	7	8	260	1		4	40	13000		3500		300		202			
21 New Castle.....	181	31	458	2		9	80	18000		4000	872			385			
22 New Port.....	3	3	121	19	1	2	50	7000		3000	104			197			
23 North East.....	4	13	6	1		3	34	25000		4500	13240		6015	205			
24 Perryville.....	4	4	165			1	1	10000		3500	275	300	600	640	20 5 15		
25 Port Deposit.....	6	1	196	10		1	35	63500		3000	572			52			
26 Port Penn.....		23	23	5				2500						184			
27 Red Lion.....	13	12	122	11		3		1400		1200	1100	150	500	315			
28 Rising Sun.....	12	17	222	13		6	75	30		2500	450						
29 Stanton.....	1	1	51			1		3000			30			115			
30 St. Georges.....	27	30	150	9		3	40	5000		2000	185			110			
31 St. John's.....	6		121	1		4	42	10000		10000	75			250			
32 Zion Circuit.....	41	37	298	8		1	20	15000		3000	200			800			
33 Wil'n--Asbury.....	15	11	600	200		15	80	50000		5000	300			600			
34 Brandywine.....	76	70	434	1		3	80	40000		3000	502		4750	262			
35 Cookman.....	13	13	166	6		2	40	12000		3000	75	225	3000	275			
36 Eastlake.....	23	19	166	1		1		10000		3000	1173			275			
37 Elsmere.....			23					1500		10			300	8			
38 Epworth.....	26	30	362			1	60	18000		2500	868	1094	2952	4560	60 15 45		
39 Grace.....	29	35	748			1	7	93	35	200000	1	25000		1500			
40 Harrison St.....	11	4	400	43	2	1	125	50		35000			300	76			
41 Kingswood.....	30	30	148	88		30	50	14000			54		2800	198			
42 Madey.....	24	12	136			3	60	86		4000	1	2000	200	1800	250		
43 McCabe.....	15	26	191	4	1	3	42	55		10000				282			
44 Mt Salem.....	4	7	300			1	5	80	50	35000		6000		492			
45 Richard'nPk.....	23	12	125					7000			124		3200	2600	420		
46 St. Paul's.....	16	10	446			2	4		1	90000	1	6500	3200	11300	2089		
47 Scott.....	23	20	388	57	3	3	136	85		20000	1	6000	125	25	1975	1202	
48 Silverbrook.....	15	25	223	26		1	30	50		24000	1	3600	359	600	1009		
49 Trinity.....	45	36	60			1	45	50		2000			150	71			
50 Union.....	39	32	607			4	12	150	35	40000	1	7000	200	1450	2000	754	
51 Wesley.....	5	18	240	2	1	3			1	18000	1	3000	25	2000	420		
Total.....	912	708	10101	586	35	127	1989	1087	72	945700	39	187800	26355	13409	52175	21961	110 29 51

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WILMINGTON DISTRICT.

NAMES OF CHARGES	Sunday Schools													
	Sunday Schools	Officers and Teachers	Total Enroll't in all Depts. Incl. Cradle Roll, Home Dept. Off's, Teach's, Sch's.	Scholars of all Grades	Average Attendance of all Grades	Members in the Home Department	Children on the Cradle Roll	Officers and Teachers Ch. Members or Probationers	Scholars incl. Home Dept. Ch. Members or Probationers	Members Sunday Sch. converted during Conf. Year	Church	Collec's for Bd. of S. S.		
												Sunday School	10% of Sunday Sch. Mission'y Offer'g	
1 Bethel Circuit.....	2	21	172	130	80		21	21	68	8			22	
2 Cedars.....	1	8	60	52	35									
3 Charlestown.....	2	21	121	100	75			8	5				20	
4 Cherry Hill.....	3	43	462	375	160	44		21	50	10			30	
5 Chesapeake City.....	1	16	174	134	75		24	43	175	15	3		75	
6 Chester, Bethel.....	1	14	139	125	50			16	30	24			51	
7 Christiana.....	2	20	100	80	60			14	30	1			64	
8 Claymont.....	1	9	80	64	40			20	30	5			51	
9 Colora.....	1	12	165	153			8		7	16	14		41	
10 Delaware City.....	1	20	135	115	80			12		4	1	1	50	
11 Ebenezer.....	3	40	235	175	90		20	20	18			8	45	
12 Elk Neck.....	2	22	107	85	80			40	75	1			40	
13 Elkton.....	6	63	700	547	350	30		22	52	1			12	
14 Hockessin.....	1	20	170	120	50		30	20	20	1		15	500	
15 Hopewell.....	2	28	153	125	56			25	30	1			40	
16 Kirkwood.....	1	5	35	30	18			4	2			2	40	
17 Marshallton.....	1	18	120	102	85			18	30	20		3	76	
18 Mt. Lebanon.....	1	23	183	130	70	10		20	23	40		1	60	
19 Mt. Pleasant.....	2	36	367	280	150	15		96	34	94	7		198	
20 Newark.....	1	33	332	264	164		35	3		7			200	
21 New Castle.....	1	30	685	610	375		45	30	450	171			167	
22 Newport.....	1	16	248	204	80		22	14	28				110	
23 North East.....	1	32	353	321	147			32	125	2	4		93	
24 Perryville.....	1	27	250	223	125			27		1		5	125	
25 Port Deposit.....	1	39	326	287	119			39	36			10	211	
26 Port Penn.....	1	3	48	42	20		3	3	3				12	
27 Red Lion.....	2	30	163	120	85	6		7	30	70	7		44	
28 Rising Sun.....	2	21	246	180	97	20		22	24	120	10	8	126	
29 Stanton.....	1	25	145	105	80		15	25	53	1	5		48	
30 St. Georges.....	1	18	143	85	65	7	33	18	60	20		3	49	
31 St. John's.....	1	18	125	107	80			24	80	5	2		49	
32 Zion.....	4	50	250	160	150	26	14	50		25		3	80	
33 Wilmington--Asbury.....	1	25	400	375	150			25	15			8	50	
34 Brandywine.....	3	51	840	74	473		49	51	225	35	7	7	500	
35 Cookman.....	1	19	319	225	175	50		25	19	75	14		55	
36 East Lake.....	2	35	421	362	220		24	35	101	24	3	3	160	
37 Elsmere.....	1	6	80	34	28	40		6	12				11	
38 Epworth.....	1	35	655	505	340	40	75	33	190	26	5		425	
39 Grace.....	1	71	848	679	360	65	35	68	45	25	15		808	
40 Harrison St.....	1	79	725	546	310	50	50	67	181	10	5	6	500	
41 Kingswood.....	1	26	369	283	148		60	26	75	30			216	
42 Madey.....	1	34	445	342	200		69	31	50	20			200	
43 McCabe.....	1	27	272	219	154		26	24	114	14			138	
44 Mt. Salem.....	1	61	613	450	325	52	50	58	150	1			402	
45 Richardson Park.....	1	22	200	143	100		3	22	78	9	2		192	
46 St. Paul.....	1	44	435	352	222		39	43	74	11	2	2	395	
47 Scott.....	1	47	819	737	335		35	45	165	15		5	490	
48 Silverbrook.....	1	47	475	370	218	15	43	47	109	6	2		408	
49 Trinity.....	1	20	284	243	195	22	9	20	76	24	1		82	
50 Union.....	1	50	775	589	425	46	90	49	150	25			525	
51 Wesley.....	1	36	355	294	190		25	36	170	2	1	1	8	125
Total.....	74	1519	16322	13107	7739	538	1158	1489	4170	654	55	74	137	8426

SUMMARY OF STATISTICS FOR 1913.

		Increase	Decrease
1. Ministerial Support			
Total claims of Pastors inc. House Rent	184,446		
Total paid Pastors inc. House Rent	184,428	5085	
Rental value of Parsonages	28,162	936	
Paid District Superintendents	9052	171	
Paid Bishops	1854	144	
Paid Conference Claimants	12,284	1924	
Paid Deficiencies	381		
Total	207,618		
2. Sunday Schools			
Number of Schools	390		
Officers and Teachers	5986		
Scholars of all Grades	48,047	1408	
Average Attendance all Grades	28,950		
Home Department	1602	393	
Cradle Roll	3266	357	
Members Converted	2845		
Officers and Teachers who are Members or Probationers	6053		
Scholars who are Members or Probationers	19,405		
Total Enrollment	58,901		
Current Expenses	22,093	557	
3. Baptisms			
Adults Baptized	308	127	
Children Baptized	2633	539	
Baptized Children under Instruction	870		
4. Church Membership			
Probationers Enrolled during year	4086		
Probationers Now on Roll	3376	142	
Full Members on Roll	40651	504	
Non-Resident Members	1393		
Local Preachers	101	6	
Deaths	576		25
5. Epworth League			
Senior Members	7254	148	
Junior Members	3675		377
6. Church Property			
Churches	393		
Estimated Value	\$2,273,319		
Parsonages	164	2	
Estimated Value	\$409,450	4250	
Paid for Buildings and Improvements	\$129,694		2284
Paid on Old Indebtedness	\$32,210	5273	
Present Indebtedness	\$146,239	35,748	
Current Expenses	\$48,397	425	
7. General Conference Expenses			
Paid during year	\$110		

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Statistical Secretary.

**HOME AND FOREIGN
MISSIONARY AND CHURCH EXTENSION STATISTICS.**

DOVER DISTRICT.

Armory and Asbury—T. J. Sard, Pastor.
Churches, \$50; Schools, \$30.....\$80

Beckwith and Speddens—J. A. Buckson, Pastor.
Beckwith Church, \$50; School, \$20; Speddens Church, \$53; School \$27, total.....\$150

Blades and Epworth—J. A. Hudson, Pastor.
Blades Church, and School, \$30; Epworth Church and School, \$10..\$40

Bridgeville—W. O. Bennett, Pastor.
Church, \$90; School, \$50.....\$140

Cambridge—C. T. Wyatt, Pastor.
Church, \$50; School, \$250.....\$300

Camden—W. F. Dawson, Pastor.
Camden Church and School, \$80; Lebanon Church and School, \$32
Special gift, \$10.....\$122

Canterbury—C. H. Atkins, Pastor.
Canterbury, \$11; Viola, \$20; Woodside, \$8.....\$39

Concord—G. S. Thomas, Pastor.
Churches and Schools.....\$150

Crapo, Leolan Jackson, Pastor.
Churches and Schools.....\$200

Denton—H. A. G. Westerfield, Pastor.
Church, \$120; School, \$162.....\$282

Dover—W. L. White, Pastor.
Church and School.....\$280

East New Market—E. W. Jones, Pastor.
Trinity School, \$45, Sr. League, \$5, Baraca Class, \$70, Jr. League \$5; Secretary School, \$25; Cabin Creek School, \$40.....\$200

Ellendale—Thomas Pardee, Pastor.	
Churches and Schools.....	\$130
Elliott's Island—A. A. Bichell, Pastor.	
Church, \$22; School, \$28.....	\$50
Farmington—D. F. McFaul, Pastor.	
Churches and Schools.....	\$80
Federalburg—T. E. Terry, Pastor.	
Church, \$60; School, \$160.....	\$220
Felton—L. W. Layfield, Pastor.	
Church, \$25; School, \$175.....	\$200
Frederica—G. W. Bounds, Pastor.	
Church, \$50; School, \$170.....	\$220
Galestown—J. H. Gardner, Pastor.	
Churches	\$170
Georgetown—J. W. Colona, Pastor.	
Churches and Schools.....	\$140
Greenwood—C. W. Moore, Pastor.	
Trinity Church, \$70, School, \$17; Greenwood Church, \$30, School, \$29; Chaplains Church, \$34, School, \$7; St. Johnstown Church, \$9, School, \$4.....	\$200
Harrington—D. J. Givan, Pastor.	
Church, \$50; School, \$200.....	\$250
Houston—I. S. Whittaker, Pastor.	
Churches and Schools	\$85
Hurlock—M. D. Nutter, Pastor.	
Churches, \$144; Schools, \$61.....	\$205
Lepsic—A. R. Brown, Pastor.	
Churches, \$26; Schools, \$24.....	\$50
Lewes—W. G. Koons, Pastor.	
Church, \$150; School, \$180; Special gift, \$20.....	\$350
Lincoln—W. P. Taylor, Pastor.	
Churches, \$68; Schools, \$20.....	\$88

Little Creek—D. H. Willis, Pastor.	
Little Creek School, \$12; St. Jones School, \$25; Special, \$1.....	\$38
Magnolia and Barrett's Chapel—F. J. Cochran, Pastor.	
Magnolia Church, \$12, School, \$76; Barratts Church, \$11, School, \$10; Bowers Church, \$4, School, \$7.....	\$120
Milford—W. R. Mowbray, Pastor.	
Church, \$300; School, \$300.....	\$600
Milford Neck and Laws—J. P. Kelley, Pastor.	
Schools	\$40
Milton—W. O. Hurst, Pastor.	
Church, \$42; School, \$138.....	\$180
Nassau—J. W. Sutton, Pastor.	
Churches and Schools.....	\$85
Preston—Wilmer Jaggard, Pastor.	
Churches, \$108; Schools, \$42.....	\$150
Rehoboth—H. B. Kelso, Pastor.	
Rehoboth Church, \$41, School, \$32; Ebenezer Church, \$24, School, \$18; Special to Africa, \$40.....	\$155
Seaford—O. E. Jones, Pastor.	
Church, \$226; School, \$164.....	\$390
Seaford Circuit—W. W. Sharp, Pastor.	
Churches, \$260; Schools, \$60.....	\$320
Taylor's Island—Daniel Prettyman, Pastor.	
Church and School.....	\$14
Vienna—G. S. Allen, Pastor.	
Churches and Schools.....	\$78
Williamsburg—Frank White, Pastor.	
Churches, \$20; Schools, \$30.....	\$50
Wyoming—H. C. Shipley, Pastor.	
Churches and Schools.....	\$64
Zoar Circuit—J. L. Derrickson, Pastor.	
Churches, \$60; Schools, \$20.....	\$80

EASTON DISTRICT.

Bayside—John White, Pastor.	
Churches and Schools.....	\$55
Bozman and Neavitt—C. W. Strickland, Pastor.	
Churches and Schools.....	\$80
Cecilton—G. L. Hardesty, Pastor. . .	
Churches, \$150; Schools, \$70.....	\$220
Chestertown—L. E. Barrett, Pastor.	
Church and School.....	\$475
Cheswold—G. W. Townsend, Pastor.	
Cheswold Church, \$35, School, \$62; Bethel Church, \$34, School, \$32; Africa Jubilee, \$15; Emergencies, \$7.....	\$185
Church Hill—E. H. Derrickson, Pastor.	
Churches and Schools.....	\$130
Clayton—I. G. Fosnocht, Pastor.	
Church, \$5; School, \$45.....	\$50
Cordova—Leonard White, Pastor.	
Churches and School.....	\$95
Easton—W. E. Gunby, Pastor.	
Church, \$125; School, \$212.....	\$337
Fairlee—T. N. Given, Pastor.	
Churches, \$65; Schools, \$10.....	\$75
Galena—Alfred Smith, Pastor.	
Churches and Schools.....	\$125
Golts—W. W. White, Pastor.	
Churches and Schools.....	\$30
Greensboro—Warren Burr, Pastor.	
Church, \$75; School, \$82.....	\$157

Henderson—W. N. Conaway, Pastor.	
Schools	\$34
Hillsboro—R. T. Coursey, Pastor.	
Churches, \$77; Schools, \$63.....	\$140
Kent Island—T. C. Smoot, Pastor.	
Churches, \$100; Schools, \$40.....	\$140
Kenton—G. P. Smith, Pastor.	
Churches and Schools.....	\$120
Marydel—W. W. Chaires, Pastor.	
Churches, \$40; Schools, \$70.....	\$110
Middletown—V. S. Collins, Pastor.	
Church, \$56; School, \$300; collected by pastor, \$94.....	\$450
Odessa—J. L. Sparklin, Pastor.	
Church, \$20; Schools, \$120.....	\$140
Pomona—W. M. McCann, Pastor.	
Church and School.....	\$65
Ridgely—H. T. Quigg, Pastor.	
Church, \$89; School, \$46.....	\$145
Salem Circuit—Henry Covington, Pastor.	
Churches and Schools.....	\$22
St. Michaels—V. P. Northrup, Pastor.	
School	\$175
Smyrna Circuit—W. E. Mathews, Pastor.	
Friendship Church, \$58, School, \$45; Seversons Church, \$18, School, \$19; Jerman Chapel, \$7, School, \$15.....	\$162
Still Pond—F. X. Moore, Pastor.	
Churches, \$15, Schools, \$140; Betterton Epworth League, \$5.....	\$160
Sudlersvills—L. P. Corkran, Pastor.	
Churches, \$61, Schools, Sudlersville, \$80, Barclay, \$4, Dudley's, \$5...\$150	

Tilghmans—J. T. Price, Pastor.
Church, \$40; School, \$30.....\$70

Townsend—L. I. McDougle, Pastor.
Church and School.....\$80

Trappe—J. C. B. Hopkins, Pastor.
Trapp Church, \$30, School, \$23; Landing Neck Church, \$17, School,
\$5\$75

Wye—L. R. Janney, Pastor.
Church and School.....\$80

SALISBURY DISTRICT.

Annamessex—W. F. Atkinson, Pastor.
St. Peter's Church, \$6, School, \$20; Rehoboth, \$14.....\$40

Asbury—E. H. Dashiell, Pastor.
School\$428

Berlin—T. R. VanDyke, Pastor.
Berlin Church and School, \$170; Synepuxent, \$30.....\$200

Bethel—J. W. Gray, Pastor.
Bethel Church, \$50; School, \$25; Zion Church, \$8, School, \$17.....\$100

Bishopville—W. G. Harris, Pastor.
Wilson, \$50; Showells, \$50; Zion, \$18; Friendship, \$8.....\$126

Claremont—W. V. Harris, Pastor.
Church and School.....\$55

Cape Charles—Howard Davis, Pastor.
School\$75

Chincoteague—O. T. Baynard, Pastor.
Church, \$8, Christ School, \$135; Goodwill, \$10.....\$153

Crisfield—W. E. Habbart, Pastor.
Church and School.....\$340

Deal's Island—J. W. Jones, Pastor.
Churches, \$162, Schools, \$80.....\$242

Delmar—S. N. Pilchard, Pastor.
Church and School.....\$270

Fairmount—F. N. Faulkner, Pastor.
Church and School.....\$150

Frankford—G. W. Hastings, Pastor.
Churches and Schools.....\$222

Fruitland—C. T. Jones, Pastor.
School, \$92, League, \$20.....\$112

Girdletree—J. H. Wilson, Pastor.
Churches, \$30; Schools, \$80.....\$110

Gumboro—O. E. James, Pastor.
Gumboro Church, \$15; School, \$5; Careys Church, \$5, School, \$15;
Bethel Church, \$15, School, \$5; West Woods, Church, \$15, School,
\$5\$80

Hebron—E. H. Marshall, Pastor.
Church and School.....\$46

Holland's Island—Z. W. Wells, Pastor.
School\$60

Laurel—G. C. Williams, Pastor.
Church and School.....\$290

Marion—Tilghman Smith, Pastor.
Grace Church, \$17, School, \$12; Quindocqua, Church, \$23, School
\$18\$70

Millsboro—G. R. Ellis, Pastor.
Grace Church, \$25, School, \$60; Unity, \$23; Central, \$20.....\$128

Mt. Pleasant—J. M. Mitchell, Pastor.
Churches and Schools.....\$105

Mt. Vernon—J. J. Bunting, Pastor.
 Churches and Schools.....\$130

Nanticoke—W. C. Poole, Pastor.
 Churches, \$170; Schools, \$30.....\$200

Newark—W. H. Revelle, Pastor.
 Churches and Schools.....\$120

Ocean View—C. H. Williams, Pastor.
 Church, \$46; School, \$54.....\$100

Onancock—J. W. Fogle, Pastor.
 Churches, \$65; Schools, \$65.....\$130

Parsonburg—E. H. Collins, Pastor.
 Churches and Schools.....\$140

Phoebus—L. T. McLain, Pastor.
 Church and School.....\$30

Pittsville—G. E. Sterling, Pastor.
 Churches and Schools.....\$30

Pocomoke City—W. L. S. Murray, Pastor.
 Church and School.....\$100

Pocomoke Circuit—H. E. Truitt, Pastor.
 Churches, \$16; Schools, Cokesbury, \$25; Immanuel, \$13; Williams,
 \$3; Hollands, \$3.....\$60

Powellville—W. B. Guthrie, Pastor.
 Churches and Schools.....\$50

Princess Anne—J. H. Gray, Pastor.
 Churches and Schools.....\$100

Quantico—J. M. S. VanBlunk, Pastor.
 Rockawalking, Church, \$5, School, \$35; Quantico Church, \$5, School,
 \$11; Wetipquin Church, \$10.....\$66

Roxana—G. W. Stallings, Pastor.
 Roxana Church, \$84; Sound, \$42.....\$126

St. Peter's—A. W. Goodhand, Pastor.
 Churches and Schools.....\$200

Salisbury Circuit—Alonzo Travers, Pastor.
 Churches, \$20; Schools, \$20.....\$40

Selbyville—V. E. Hills, Pastor.
 Churches and Schools.....\$160

Somerset—J. R. Cannon, Pastor.
 Dames Quarter Church, \$20, School, \$18; Rock Creek Church, \$97,
 School, \$20.....\$155

Stockton—Milton McCann, Pastor.
 Stockton School, \$78, League, \$12; Franklin City School, \$53, League,
 \$10; Klej Grange School, \$8; Churches, \$23.....\$189

Whitesville—J. A. Brewington, Pastor.
 Line Church, \$5, School, \$54; Jones Church, \$28, School, \$6; Bethesda
 Church, \$10, School, \$5.....\$108

WILMINGTON DISTRICT.

Bethel and Summit—Asbury Burke, Pastor.
 Churches and Schools.....\$90

Charlestown—E. B. Taylor, Pastor.
 Charlestown Church, \$12.50, School, \$13; Principo Church, \$16,
 School, \$8.50.....\$50

Cherry Hill—D. J. Ford, Pastor.
 Cherry Hill, \$75; Big Elk, \$16; Elk Mills, \$11.....\$102

Chesapeak City—W. H. Kenney, Pastor.
 Church, \$35; School, \$30.....\$65

Chester-Bethel—Edwin Gardner, Pastor.
 Church, \$30; School, \$90.....\$120

Colora—B. L. McFarland, Pastor.	
Church, \$20; School, \$20.....	\$40
Delaware City—C. N. Jones, Pastor.	
Church, \$8; School, \$56.....	\$64
Ebenezer—J. H. Geoghegan, Pastor.	
Churches, \$26; Schools, Ebenezer, \$35; Wesley, \$4; Milford, \$5.....	\$70
Elk Neck—T. S. Barrett, Pastor.	
Harts Church, \$12, School, \$14; Wesley Church, \$5, School, \$5.....	\$36
Elkton—E. P. Roberts, Pastor.	
Elkton Church, \$37, School, \$342; Childs School, \$26; Crouches, \$10; Westamwell, \$10; Jones, \$5.....	\$430
Hockessin—J. D. Reese, Pastor.	
Church and School.....	\$50
Hopewell—J. M. Lindale, Pastor.	
Hopewell Church, \$6, School, \$55; Asbury Church, \$3, School, \$4.....	\$68
Marshallton—J. C. McCoy, Pastor.	
Church, \$10, School, \$40.....	\$50
Mt. Lebanon—E. C. Wright, Pastor.	
Church and School.....	\$60
Mt. Pleasant—E. W. McDowell, Pastor.	
Churches and Schools, \$156; Mt. Pleasant League, \$20.....	\$176
Newark—G. T. Alderson, Pastor.	
Church, \$33; School, \$167.....	\$200
New Castle—J. L. Johnson, Pastor.	
Church and School.....	\$160
Newport—J. H. Mitchell, Pastor.	
Church and School.....	\$146
Port Deposit—T. A. H. O'Brien, Pastor.	
Church, \$52 School, \$175, Epworth League, \$5.....	\$232

Red Lion—E. C. Prettyman, Pastor.	
Churches, \$5; Schools, Red Lion, \$42; Glasgow, \$13.....	\$60
Rising Sun—Z. H. Webster, Pastor.	
Janes Church, \$85, School, \$75, League, \$15; Sylmar Church, \$10; School, \$5.....	\$190
Stanton—I. J. B. Hill, Pastor.	
Church, \$5; School, \$25.....	\$30
St. Georges—J. F. Anderson, Pastor.	
Church, \$28; School, \$32.....	\$60
St. John's—O. B. Rice, Pastor.	
Church and School.....	\$84
Brandywine and Edgemore—F. F. Carpenter, Pastor.	
Brandywine Church, \$70, School, \$145; Edgemore, School, \$15.....	\$230
Cookman—J. T. Richardson, Pastor.	
Church, \$22; School, \$78.....	\$100
Eastlake and Hillcrest—J. R. Bicking, Pastor.	
Eastlake School.....	\$76
Elsmere—A. P. Scott, Pastor.	
School.....	\$5
Epworth—L. E. Poole, Pastor.	
Church, \$78; School, \$77.....	\$155
Grace—G. E. Reed, Pastor.	
Church, \$690; School, \$929.....	\$1619
Harrison St.—G. W. Dawson, Pastor.	
Church, \$88; School, \$312.....	\$400
Madeley—J. P. Outten, Pastor.	
Church, \$42; School, \$42.....	\$84
McCabe—F. C. MacSorley, Pastor.	
Church, \$14; School, \$13.....	\$27

Mt. Salem—S. M. Morgan, Pastor.	
Church, \$47, Mt. Salem School, \$197; Riddles, \$192.....	\$436
Richadson Park—B. S. Latshaw, Pastor.	
Church and School.....	\$50
St. Paul's—C. A. Hill, Pastor.	
Church, \$390; School, \$288; Christian Endeavor, \$10.....	\$688
Scott—W. A. Wise, Pastor.	
Church, \$100; School, \$236; Jr. League, \$15.....	\$351
Silverbrook—W. E. Greenfield, Pastor.	
Church and School.....	\$100
Union—W. F. Corkran, Pastor.	
Church and School.....	\$500
Wesley—T. F. Beauchamp, Pastor.	
School.....	\$100

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