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DISCIPLINARY QUESTIONS.

1. *Who are received by transfer and from what Conference?*
Willis C. Dickerson, Newark Conference.
2. *Who are admitted on trial?*
Daniel A. Ridout, James E. A. D. Grigsby, John H. Green.
3. *Who remain on trial?*
King J. Still, Isaiah H. Johnson, Ed. H. Webb, John H. Nutter, Silas E. Adams, James K. Adams.
4. *Who are discontinued?*
None.
5. *Who are admitted in full connection?*
Daniel J. Brittingham, J. H. Winters.
6. *Who are re-admitted?*
None.
7. *Who are received on credentials from other Churches?*
John W. Stevenson, of the Baltimore Conference, African M. E. Church.
8. *What Traveling Preachers have been elected Deacons?*
None.
9. *What Traveling Preachers have been ordained Deacons?*
None.
10. *What Local Preachers have been elected Deacons?*
Silas E. Adams.
11. *What Local Preachers have been ordained Deacons?*
Silas E. Adams.
12. *Who are the Traveling Deacons of the first class?*
Daniel Brittingham, James H. Winters.
13. *Who are the Traveling Deacons of the second class?*
John S. Holly, James H. Mason, Eben E. Parker, James H. Johnson, Jos. R. Waters, Chas. H. Hutchins.
14. *What Traveling Deacons have been elected Elders?*
Arthur W. Hamilton, Benjamin W. Allen, Matthias Horsey, Henry A. Monroe, Thomas M. Hubbard, Thomas B. H. Coleman.
15. *What Traveling Deacons have been ordained Elders?*
Arthur W. Hamilton, Benjamin W. Allen, Matthias Horsey, Henry A. Monroe, Thomas M. Hubbard, Thomas B. H. Coleman.
16. *What Local Deacons have been elected Elders?*
None.
17. *What Local Deacons have been ordained Elders?*
None.
18. *Who are the Supernumerary Preachers?*
J. W. Brown.

19. *Who are the Superannuated Preachers?*
Isaac Hinson, John W. Sanders, Benj. Gibbs, William Phillips, Phillip Kennedy, Chas. Pollett, George H. Waters.
20. *Was the character of each Preacher examined?*
This was strictly attended to by the calling over of each name.
21. *Have any died?*
Simon Taylor at Townsend Inlet, Cape May Co., New Jersey, March 8th, 1882. Vincent B. Wallace at Philadelphia, May 5th, 1882.
22. *Have any been transferred, and to what Conference?*
J. W. Stevenson to the Washington Conference. Thomas H. Johnson to the Newark Conference.
23. *Have any withdrawn?*
None.
24. *Have any been located at their own request?*
None.
25. *Have any been located?*
None.
26. *Have any been permitted to withdraw under charges?*
None.
27. *Have any been expelled?*
None.
28. *Who are selected for triers of appeals?*
W. J. Parker, A. Brown, W. F. Butler, H. Jolley, J. D. Elbert, W. Taylor, J. H. Pearce.
29. *What is the Statistical report?*
(See General Statistics.)
30. *What are the claims on the Conference fund?*
(See Stewards' Report.)
31. *What has been received on these claims, and how has it been applied?*
(See report of Committee on Conference Claimants and Conference Stewards' report.)
32. *Where are the Preachers stationed?*
(See list of appointments.)
33. *Where shall the next Conference be held?*
Wilmington, Del.

Simon Taylor reported deceased at Townsend Inlet, Cape May County, New Jersey, March 8th, 1882.

The 3rd question, "Who remain on Trial?" was taken up. V. B. Wallace was reported deceased at Philadelphia, May 5th, 1882. King J. Still, Isaiah Johnson, S. E. Adams, James K. Adams, character passed and continued on trial, but upon recommendation of the Examining Committee, they were required to pass an examination in Thalheimer's History in addition to the regular studies.

E. H. Webb, and J. H. Nutter, character passed and continued on trial.

Rev. E. Foster, D. D., compiler of "Foster's Cyclopædia," was introduced to the Conference.

Notices were given, Doxology sung, and Benediction pronounced by Rev. A. J. Kynett.

EVENING—MISSIONARY SERMON.

Anniversary services of the Missionary Society were held at night. After singing the hymn, "Jesus, the name high over all," and prayer by E. L. Hoffecker of the Wilmington Conference, W. H. Thomas announced as his text Isaiah 2 : 2—"And it shall come to pass in the last days &c". The sermon was an earnest, impassioned effort, that held the large audience spell bound by its matchless eloquence, and made a deep, and it is hoped, a lasting impression on every heart.

The collection amounted to \$20.29.

THIRD DAY—Saturday, July 22nd, 1882.

MORNING SESSION

Conference opened at 8.30 A. M., by a prayer meeting led by N. Morris. At 9 A. M. Bishop Foster took the chair, and the Journal of the previous session was read, corrected and approved.

The 13th question, "Who are the Deacons of the second class?" was taken up. The following brethren reported their collections, their characters passed, and were advanced: John S. Holly, James H. Mason, Even E. Parker, James H. Johnson, Jos. R. Waters, Chas. H. Hutchins.

The 14th question, "What Traveling Deacons have been elected Elders?" was taken up. The following brethren reported their collections, and were elected to Elders' orders: Arthur W. Hamilton, Benj. W. Allen, Matthias H. Horsey, Henry A. Monroe, Thomas M. Hubbard, Thomas B. H. Coleman.

The 10th question, "What Local Preachers have been elected Deacons?" Silas E. Adams, having passed a satisfactory examination was so elected.

A resolution relating to the Missionary Sermon was read by Bro. Parker and adopted. A Committee of three on the subject of organizing the Sustentation Fund work was ordered. G. H. Waters, W. J. Parker, and I. H. White, were appointed as a Committee.

The 5th question, "Who are admitted into full connection?" was taken up. Daniel Brittingham and James H. Winters answered the disciplinary questions, in the affirmative, reported their collections, and were admitted. The Bishop made a very plain, pointed address to the class, full of sound truth and instruction.

Revs. A. J. Myers, Baltimore Conference, and E. L. Hoffecker, Wilmington Conference of the Methodist Episcopal Church, Rev. T. Henry, of the African Methodist Church, and Prof. J. G. Robinson, of Baltimore, were introduced to the Conference.

The following reports of Committees were presented: On State of Church, Bible Cause, Sunday Schools, Education.

Prof. Round, of the Biblical Institute, addressed the Conference on the Educational Report.

In accordance with the provisions of the report, after its adoption, the following were appointed a Conference Committee to work for the organization of a Conference Educational Society, and to act as a Board of Managers for said Society until its organization is completed:

J. E. ROUND,
WM. H. THOMAS,

H. A. MONROE,
I. H. WHITE, *Ministers.*

A. MURRAY,
WM. PERKINS,
R. GILLETT, *Laymen.*

Report on Conference paper received and laid over.

Rev. A. J. Myers addressed the Conference in relation to the People's Cyclo-pædia.

Notices were given, Doxology sung, and Benediction given by the Bishop.

EVENING.

DAUGHTERS OF CONFERENCE ANNIVERSARY.

Opening Hymn, "Blest be the tie that binds," was announced by E. E. Parker, who also led in prayer. W. J. Parker, Chairman of the meeting, in a few pertinent remarks, introduced Prof. J. G. Robinson, of Baltimore, who delivered a short address on the importance of the work of the Daughters of Conference. W. C. Dickerson and A. J. Myers also addressed the society in an instructive and entertaining manner. A collection was taken amounting to \$4.51.

SUNDAY SERVICES.

The Conference Love Feast was opened at Charles Wesley M. E. Church, at 8.30 a. m., by Rev's. N. Young and J. Brinkley. It was an occasion long to be remembered by those who participated in it.

After the Love Feast, the following were ordained: *Deacon*—Silas E. Adams; *Elders*—Arthur W. Hamilton, Benj. W. Allen, Matthias H. Horsey, Henry A. Monroe, Thomas M. Hubbard, Thomas B. H. Coleman.

The Bishop then preached a powerful sermon from 1st Timothy 1:15. In the afternoon Rev. J. W. Stevenson of Washington, D. C., preached from Micah 5:4, and at night Rev. G. H. Washington preached from 1st Cor. 9:26; both of the sermons were favorably received. Services were also held at the Town Hall and Court House during the day.

FOURTH DAY—Monday, July 24th, 1882.

MORNING SESSION.

The Conference was opened at 8.30 a. m., by W. J. Parker who conducted the prayer meeting.

At 9 a. m., Bishop Foster took the chair, and the Journal of the last session was read, corrected, and approved.

The 1st question, "Who are received by transfer, and from what Conference?" Willis C. Dickerson, of the Newark Conference.

The 2d question, "Who are admitted on trial?" Daniel A. Ridout, James E. A. D. Grigsby, John H. Green.

Question 4th, "Who are discontinued?" None.

Question 6th, "Who are re-admitted?" None.

Question 7th, "Who are received on credentials from other churches?" J. W. Stevenson of the A. M. E. Church was admitted in full connection.

J. W. Brown was, at his own request, granted a supernumerary relation.

The 20th question, "Have any died during the year?" Simon Taylor and Vincent B. Wallace. (see memoirs).

The 22d question, "Have any been transferred, and to what Conference?" was answered, John W. Stevenson, to the Washington Conference; Thomas H. Johnson, to the Newark Conference.

The 28th question, "Who are selected for triers of appeals?" W. J. Parker, A. Brown, W. F. Butler, H. Jolley, J. D. Elbert, Wm. Taylor, I. H. Pearce.

A resolution relating to the required purchase of books by the Examining Committees was passed. The statistical report was read and adopted.

A resolution requesting the Presiding Elders to take some measures to secure greater accuracy in the statistical reports from the preachers on their districts was passed.

The report of the Committee on Freedmen's Aid was read and adopted.

The Daughters of Conference were introduced to the Conference and Wm. Perkins Esq., made a brief address, after which the Secretary, Mary E. Brown, read the annual report, and the Treasurer, Mary A. Webb, presented the funds collected in behalf of the worn-out and needy preachers, amounting to \$122.73.

The Bishop returned thanks to the Daughters of Conference for their noble work and commended the society to the attention of the preachers.

W. C. Dickinson offered a resolution relative to the work of the society, which was adopted.

A bill of \$11.50 from I. H. White and A. R. Shockly for bills against the Conference was referred to the Treasurer of the Sustentation Fund for payment.

The report of the Committee on Church Extension was read and adopted.

Report of the Committee on Sustentation Fund was read and adopted.

A collection was taken to relieve the brethren of the Conference who had assumed the responsibility of the funeral expenses of the late Vincent B. Wallace, amounting to \$10.57 and was paid to A. R. Shockly.

Report of Conference Treasurer was read and adopted. Resolutions relative to appropriating \$25 from Conference Claimant Fund, and aiding to pay the rent of G. H. Waters, were read and adopted.

The report of the Conference stewards was read and adopted. A draft on the chartered fund for \$25 was paid to the Conference stewards and applied by vote to the cases of S. P. Whittington and J. C. Carroll.

Rev. I. Jewell of the Wilmington Conference was introduced.

I. H. White offered a resolution relative to the Slater donation to the cause of education among the colored people, which was adopted.

Wilmington, Del., was fixed upon as the place for holding the next session of the Conference. An extra session was ordered to convene at 2 P. M.

Notices were given, Doxology sung, and Benediction pronounced by Dr. Foster.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

Dr. E. Foster occupied the chair and opened the Conference by singing the hymn, "Rock of Ages." The Journal of the morning session was read and approved.

Committee on Women's Foreign Missionary Society presented their report which was adopted.

Committees reported on auditing "Pres. Elders' account"; "Episcopal Fund"; "Sanctity of the Sabbath."

W. B. Green offered an amendment to the last report, which was accepted, and the report, as amended, passed unanimously. The two former reports were adopted.

Committees on Temperance, Minute Money, Tract and Missions, reported, and their reports were adopted.

A resolution of thanks was tendered by the Committee on Resolutions and unanimously adopted.

Special Committee on Death of Bishop Scott presented their report, and after remarks by N. Young and the Presiding Bishop, the report was adopted by a rising vote.

The Board of Managers of the Conference Educational Society presented the report of their organization. Dr. Round and H. A. Monroe made some remarks, after which, the report was adopted.

G. H. Waters presented a resolution on the transfer of T. H. Johnson to the Newark Conference, which was adopted.

A motion that 2500 minutes be printed, and sold at ten cents each, was carried.

On motion, the Secretary and his assistant were appointed the Publishing Committee.

Committee on "Delinquent Minute Money" presented their report, which was adopted.

Committee on Memoirs reported a memoir on the death of Simon Taylor, which was adopted.

Rev. I. H. White made a few remarks on the death of V. B. Wallace, after which the Committee was ordered to prepare a suitable memoir for publication.

Memoir of Mrs. M. D. Dickerson was submitted and received.

On motion, the funds of the Committee on Minutes were paid over to W. J. Parker to be transferred to the Treasurer, Abram Murray.

A collection was taken for the Sexton, amounting to \$5.67.

List of Committee for 1883 was read and referred.

The Secretary was ordered to purchase a Trunk for the use of the Conference papers.

The Committee on Conference Paper reported, and a Committee of six was appointed with power to arrange plans, to collect means, and to commence the publication of a Conference Paper, when funds sufficient, in their judgment, have been accumulated. The following were appointed:—W. F. Butler, A. R. Shockley, A. Brown, H. A. Monroe, H. Jolley, I. H. White.

A motion to adjourn *sine die*, after the reading of the Minutes, was carried.

The Bishop made an earnest appeal to the members of the Conference in relation to their future work, after which the appointments were read, Doxology sung, and the Benediction was pronounced by the Bishop.

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PRESIDING ELDERS' REPORTS.

PHILADELPHIA DISTRICT.

To the Delaware Annual Conference:

DEAR FATHERS AND BROTHERN:—In submitting this my third annual report, it is due for me to say that I am thankful to Almighty God for His unlimited mercy and goodness which has followed me, and to the ministerial brethren for their kindness, and also to the laity for welcoming me in their midst. By these favors received I am able to say that another pleasant year has ended. Rev. Simon Taylor, one of our superannuated preachers, departed this life in the triumphs of faith, at his residence, near *Townsend's Inlet*, Cape May County, N. J., March 8th, 1882. And also Rev. V. B. Wallace, a promising young man who was admitted on trial into this Conference at its last session, and was appointed to the Homestead Circuit, after a severe and protracted illness, calmly and sweetly fell asleep in Jesus, May 5th, 1882. The following brethren, also, have been caused to mourn over their lost ones, viz: Rev. J. H. Pearce, an aged father. Rev. J. K. Adams, a dear wife, and A. R. Shockley, a dear, sweet little girl.

Rev. Geo. H. Waters was prostrated by a fearful attack of hemorrhage, which was followed by other diseases for more than a month, but is convalescent, and I trust that he will be able to take an appointment.

The spirit of revival has prevailed during the year, but no wonderful awakening, except at Zion on the Odessa circuit. Twentieth and Oxford Mission, and Ezion, Wilmington, have had quite a large increase of members and probationers. The most of the Sunday Schools are in a good condition, showing indications of prosperity, everywhere commanding influence, and are securing a more general co-operation of the church. The International lessons are being more used than heretofore. The Catechism is also taught in most of the schools. The "Children's Day" was observed with manifest interest in both cities and villages, and collections were taken, but the expenses of preparation made the net profit small. The class meetings are interesting and well attended, and also the prayer meetings, wherever practicable, are maintained with encouraging results.

The temperance cause is not without attention, believing that intemperance is a growing evil which, if not checked, will destroy not only vital piety and religion, but will demolish good society and ruin the nation. Both the white and colored people are unitedly opposing the great evil.

Now in relation to the temporal department of the church. Port Deposit, T. M. Hubbard, pastor, has repaired the parsonage and refurnished it with suitable furniture and paid for the same, and has also freed the circuit entirely from debt, and is now making preparation for building a new church at Cokesbury. Cape May circuit, J. K. Adams pastor, has been successful in reducing the old debt to \$74 09. Bridgeton circuit: This charge under the pastoral care of K. J. Still, has made some improvements on its church property, consisting of a recess, pulpit and other necessary repairs on one of its churches, and by papering another. I think the circuit is clear of debt.

Salem circuit, under the pastorate care of S. P. Whittington is marching along in peace and harmony. In Penns Neck, they have an excellent Sabbath School superintended by Rev. Joseph Johnson, a local preacher, an excellent Sunday School worker. Salem, Mount Hope: This church has been burdened with a heavy debt ever since built, is very cheerful and full of zeal, working up toward the front under the pastorate care of W. H. Thomas; the right man in the right place.

Mount Zion: This church was made a station at the last session of the Conference, and T. B. H. Coleman was appointed as pastor. It moved along very pleasantly, until a wolf got in among the sheep, and ever since it has been under a cloud. It is free of debt. They have purchased an organ for the Sunday School, costing \$75 00. Homestead: This charge is composed of four churches, which were separated from the Mount Zion charge at the last session of the Conference, and the late V. B. Wallace was appointed as pastor, but, unfortunately, the young man's health failed so that he was not able to serve them more than half of the year. I then appointed R. H. Coleman, a local preacher, to take charge of the circuit until the meeting of the Annual Conference. He has been remarkably successful in both the temporal and spiritual departments of the church. He has the new church ready for dedication.

Scott, Centreville: This church under the pastorate care of J. S. Holly, has commenced the foundation of a new church, and his people are doing all they can to raise money for said purpose.

Zoar: This church, under the pastorate care of W. F. Butler, is marching along in peace and harmony.

John Wesley, N. Morris, pastor, has been defeated in the purchase of the Presbyterian Church on Bainbridge street below 12th, on account of the stiffness of the price. The Board of Church Extension granted them a loan of \$8000, and appointed a committee to buy a church or a lot to build one upon, but so far they have been unsuccessful in their efforts. To buy a building lot in a conspicuous place for a church for the colored people in the city of Philadelphia, is a difficult thing to do.

James M. E. Church, Germantown: This church has been newly papered, repainted and refurnished at the cost of \$200. The same has been paid. Pastor, B. W. Allen.

Laws M. E. Chapel, Frankford: Isaiah Johnson pastor: This church has been newly papered and has had its cellar plastered, with other necessary improvements at a cost of \$185 paid on the same, \$150.

Twentieth and Oxford; Haven's Mission: This is a new but flourishing place; the people have no house of their own to worship in, but have rented and fitted up one for said purpose; they pay \$25.00 per month. The present prospect is good for a strong point for us in the city of Philadelphia. What is needed now, is a church, A. R. Shockly, pastor; he and his people are doing all they can toward raising money to secure a place for the worship of God, and have succeeded in raising the sum of \$325.00, beside the keeping up of their current expenses, which are very heavy. They are a people that work, and trust in God; they are worthy people and need help.

North Penn: This church has a very small congregation; it was supplied with J. T. Tilghman, a local preacher, by the Presiding Elder, has paid in the church, and made some necessary changes on the inside of the church and paid for the same.

St. Daniel's, Chester, Pa: J. H. Pearce, pastor, has succeeded in canceling the old debt and is contemplating on rebuilding.

Ezion, Wilmington: This church is flourishing under the new pastor, W. J. Parker. Both pastor and people are in love and peace.

Wilmington Circuit: This charge is composed of three churches; H. D. Webb, a local preacher, is pastor, appointed by the Presiding Elder; has been very successful in canceling the old debts; the circuit is in a living state.

New Castle Circuit, Rev. Wm. Taylor pastor: This charge is composed of three Churches and one Mission, Mount Salem; one of the churches has a floating debt of \$380; was sold by the sheriff and bought in by a friend at \$200. This amount has been fully met, and the trustees have a deed for the same, and are trying to keep up their dues with the Building and Loan Association. The circuit is in a tolerably fair state.

Odessa, A. W. Hamilton, pastor: has built a new brick church, with a seating capacity of 360, with class rooms attached, at a cost of \$3,500; was dedicated by Bishop E. G. Andrews, on the 18th of June, 1882, both pastor and people have worked faithfully; they have raised this year and paid on the building and church lot, \$1,535.39. It is one among the finest churches of the Conference. The pastor closes up his third year in peace and harmony.

Townsend Circuit, Scotts Chapel; named after the late Bishop Scott, was consumed by fire last winter; it was insured to the amount of \$600.00. The very zealous pastor, James W. Mason, and his people, have rebuilt a very neat little church; it was dedicated the 25th of June, free of debt; they also repaired the Ebenezer church, and nearly paid for the same; the pastor closes up his third year, and is desired for the fourth.

Smyrna Circuit: This charge has had a hard time; the small-pox got in among the members last winter, and they were compelled to close up the church, until sometime in the month of March; then in a few weeks thereafter, the pastor, Rev. George H. Waters, was attacked very suddenly with a fearful hemorrhage accompanied with other diseases, that kept him confined nearly up to this date; by these back-sets this charge has suffered, but the people seem to be cheerful.

Dover: Rev. W. M. Webb, pastor; This charge is keeping its dues paid up in the Building Loan Society and has paid \$401 on the floating debt.

Dover Circuit, Rev. J. Brinkley, pastor; This Circuit lies in the country and at one of the churches people have nearly abandoned the church and gone either to the cities or villages.

Milford: This is a large Circuit composed of five churches; J. D. Elbert, pastor; he is the right man in the right place, the Circuit is coming up under his Godly administration.

Lewes and Harmony: This Circuit is under the popular pastor, W. H. Johnson; has purchased a building lot in Lewes at a cost of \$150; paid the same and is getting ready to build.

I think the benevolent collections have been attended to by nearly all of the brethren, and in many of the charges the collections will be in advance of the previous years. The District Conference has gone out of existence because of no place to hold it.

The Brethren have all been faithful workers in every department of the church, and earnest preachers of the gospel of Christ.

I was attacked with the malaria fever the same week that I returned home from the Conference, and was confined to my home three weeks. I thought that my labors were closed, but the Lord raised me up again, and they have been continous; more than once I have conducted the quarterly collections on three different charges; held love feast, preached three times, consecrated and administered the Lord's Supper three times, rode five miles in a wagon, nine on cars, and walked two and a half, all in one day.

With faith in Christ, and love for the Church and for my brethren stronger than ever, I close the work of another year.

J. E. WEBB, P. E.

Middletown, Rev. Charles Wing, pastor: Has closed up an old floating debt that rested against the Church; both pastor and people in peace and harmony.

J. E. W.

CAMBRIDGE DISTRICT.

To the Bishop and members of the Delaware Conference: Through Divine providence I am permitted to offer the following as my first annual report of the Cambridge District, which extends over a portion of six counties in Maryland, and a small portion of Kent County, Delaware. Through the goodness of God, the lives of all the brethren have been sustained, and good health prevailed among them with a few exceptions. The brethren on the District and myself are in peace and harmony. I have urged upon the brethren the necessity of pursuing the Disciplinary plan with regard to the support of the Missionary cause, which I believe has been principally attended to. I have met every Quarterly Conference this year, and have preached ninety-nine times.

Sassafras circuit has three churches and is progressing finely, under the pastorate of J. H. Winters, who has succeeded in the midst of adverse circumstances, in rebuilding a new church at Sassafras, which was entirely destroyed by fire sometime last year, and was not insured. The building is 36 x 24 feet; height 14 feet, and will cost when completed about \$800; it is in good style with recess pulpit, &c. \$363.85 has been paid on the new church enterprise; also there have been improvements on the church at Poplar Neck, to the amount of \$62.08, and the church at Warwick has paid an old debt of \$50. Total paid in the charge this year for building and improving, \$475.93. Our white friends at Sassafras rendered much assistance in building the church at that place. One man by the name of Robert F. Griffith gave the frame and \$1c in cash. The spiritual condition of the charge is good; there have been several accessions to the churches during the year. The Sunday Schools are in a tolerable good condition. Raised for ministerial support, \$313. Raised for benevolent purposes, \$25.47. Balance of indebtedness on church property, \$217.06.

Millington circuit is in a good condition, under the pastorate of E. E. Parker. There are five churches in the bounds of the Circuit, with a probable value of \$2,625, and a parsonage valued at \$600. Two rooms one story and a half have been added to the parsonage this year, which cost \$126. A portion of it has been paid. \$146.23 has been paid for building and improving the parsonage, and churches. Insurance on church property, \$575. The spiritual condition of the charge is very good. Revivals at nearly all the churches and a number of accessions. Also the Sunday School is in a good condition. Total received this year for ministerial support, \$493.70. Amount raised for benevolent purposes, \$22.

Still Pond circuit is in a prosperous condition, under the pastorate of J. S. Willis. There are four churches in the charge. Probable value of churches \$3,600, and one parsonage valued at \$400. Paid this year on improvements, \$23, and on an old debt, \$24. Total, \$47. Debts remaining in the charge, \$30. At Union the church has become too small for the congregation, and they are making preparation to rebuild in the near future, and have raised and have in hand for that purpose \$205.20. Total raised this year for building and improving, \$252.20. Spiritual condition good, quite a number of accessions this year. Also the Sunday Schools are in a very good condition. Total paid this year for ministerial support, \$412.90. Raised for benevolent purposes, \$16.55.

Jones Station, Chestertown, is in a very good condition spiritually and temporally under the pastorate of T. H. Johnson, who has labored earnestly among his people. Number of churches, one. Probable value, \$5,500. One parsonage valued at \$500. There has been quite a number of accessions to the church during the year. The Sunday School is first-class, and ably managed by competent officers and teachers; in fact the entire church is well up to the times in every department. They have raised for ministerial support this year \$615. Raised for benevolent purposes, \$118.78. Raised on church indebtedness, \$300.

Farlee Circuit is progressing very finely under the Pastorate of D. R. Dunn. There are four churches in the charge. The probable value of them is \$3,600. Paid on the new church, St. George chapel this year, \$156.38. Paid on benches for John Wesley Church, \$11. Paid on a lot for a church at Castle town, \$15. Total paid this year on old indebtedness and improving church property \$307.13; also a lot for a cemetery has been purchased for \$50, and paid for. Total amount of indebtedness against the churches in the bounds of the charge, \$426.32. The spiritual condition of the charge is good; there has been quite a number of conversions and accessions to the church during the year; also the Sunday Schools are in a prosperous condition. Total amount of ministerial support raised, \$432. Amount raised for benevolent purposes, \$40.75; also the Fourth quarterly Conference voted in favor of a scholarship of \$50 per year to the Centenary Biblical Institute for three years.

Edesville Circuit: This Circuit was formed at the last Conference, of detachments from two other Circuits, and is under the Pastorate of C. H. Hutchins, who labored at first under quite unfavorable circumstances; but since, by the judicious management of their pastor, peace and satisfaction have been restored and now prevail. A grand work has been done in the charge this year which will speak for itself as follows: There are three churches in the charge, valued at \$1600. A parsonage valued at \$700. The above named Parsonage has been built from the foundation, this Conference year, together with the purchase of the lot on which it stands. The house is 22x18; height two story; commodiously arranged with six rooms, cost of building \$441; raised and paid on the same, \$418, leaving a balance on parsonage debt of \$23; also \$25 worth of furniture for parsonage has been paid for. Total raised for parsonage and furniture, \$443. Total for building and improving churches and parsonages, \$485.54. Debts remaining on churches and parsonages, \$23. The spiritual condition of the charge is good. The Sunday School work is in a prosperous condition. Total amount raised this year for ministerial support, \$446.40. Raised for benevolent purposes, \$8.

Crumpton Circuit is in a very prosperous condition under the pastorate of J. Q. Dennis; number of churches in the charge, four; probable value of them is \$2500.00. Paid on old indebtedness \$225 00. Debts remaining in the charge on church property, not any.

The spiritual condition of the charge is very good; seasons of revival have been enjoyed during the year and over seventy-five have been added to the church. The Sunday Schools are in a tolerable good condition. Total raised this year for ministerial support, \$518 00. Raised for benevolent purposes \$44.00.

Marydel Circuit is only in a tolerably good condition owing to the surrounding circumstances of the people in that locality, and having met with a very serious loss. The largest and best church in the Circuit, and the main support to the pastor, was entirely destroyed by fire in March, but through the persistent effort of the pastor, J. C. Carroll, a new church edifice has been commenced on the same lot where the old one stood, 24 x 36; height 44 feet. The building is raised, but not inclosed.

A house and lot containing three acres and $\frac{3}{8}$ of an acre has been purchased for a parsonage for \$210 00; raised and paid on the same, \$105.00. There are five churches in the charge, one of them is in a very dilapidated condition, and the membership and congregation nearly all gone. The spiritual condition of the charge is tolerable. The Sunday School work is not in a very prosperous condition. Raised for ministerial support \$324.20. Raised for benevolent purposes, \$71.00. Total amount raised for building and improving churches and parsonages, \$155.00.

Centreville Circuit is in a very prosperous condition under the pastorate of G. M. Landen. There are six churches in the circuit and a prospect of a mission at Church Hill.

The probable value of church property is \$6600.00. Probable value of parsonage lot, \$250.00. Paid on the debt of Salem Church, \$400.00. For repairs on Charles Wesley, in which the Conference is now assembled so as to make it as pleasant as possible for the session, to the amount of \$362.00; raised on the same \$244 69, leaving a balance of \$118 69. The corner stone for a new church at Gould town has been laid, and \$368.00 in hand toward building. Total amount raised this year for indebtedness on churches and parsonage property, \$503 00. Raised for ministerial support, \$439.00. Raised for benevolent purposes, \$36.00.

Kent Island Circuit is in an excellent condition, under the pastorate of C. H. Ash. There are four churches in the charge, and all of them are comparatively new and only \$18 indebtedness against them. Their probable value is \$2,150, and are all insured to the amount of \$1,266, and parsonage, \$300. A new and first-class parsonage has been erected in the charge this year, 14x28 feet, one story and a half, with five rooms very comfortably arranged and finished complete. The entire cost of building, \$414.12. There has been paid on the same, \$354.40, leaving a balance due on parsonage of \$80. The probable value of parsonage, \$500. There has been paid on debt of churches \$144.24. Whole amount raised for building and improving churches and parsonage, \$513.49. The spiritual condition of the charge is very good. There has been seasons of revival in the charge, and quite a number professed faith in Christ and united with the church. The Sunday Schools are in a good condition. Total amount raised this year for ministerial support, \$481. Amount raised for benevolent purposes, \$34.50.

Hillsborough Circuit is in a progressive condition, under the pastorate of I. Broughton. There are six churches in the charge. Some of them are in a very good condition. The church at Hillsborough is a new church not finished; effort is being made to complete it. The church at Coppersville has been moved and repaired at a cost of \$75, which has all been paid. \$51.50 has been paid on McGee's Chapel. Total raised this year on churches and parsonage property, \$304.31. Probable value of church property, \$3,500. The spiritual condition of the circuit is good. Sunday Schools tolerable. Total raised this year for ministerial sup-

port, \$425. Raised for benevolent purposes, \$24. Probable value of parsonage, \$400.

Denton Circuit is in a tolerable good condition. J. W. Brown, pastor. There are five churches in the charge and one new church in contemplation, 26x35. A lot has been secured for the same and a part of the frame. The probable value of church property is \$1,500. An old debt has been paid on the church at Denton to the amount of \$96. Total paid on church property this year, \$125. The spiritual condition of the charge not very good. The Sunday Schools are in a tolerable good condition. Raised this year for ministerial support, \$365. Raised for benevolent purposes, \$15.75. Insurance on church property, \$1,000.

Greensborough Circuit has been supplied with J. W. Cook, a local preacher, who has conducted the affairs of the charge well. The charge is in a healthy condition except at Boonsborough, where a split has threatened, and a few persons withdrew from the Church and went to the A. M. E. Church; but some of them have since returned, and the balance of the church at Boonsborough appear to be in a state of reconciliation. There are five churches, in the bounds of the charge, and a good parsonage. The probable value of Churches, \$3,000. Probable value of parsonage, \$400. Raised on indebtedness and improving churches and parsonage, \$137.18. Total raised this year for ministerial support, \$387. The charge is at this time free of debt. Raised for benevolent purposes, \$20.04. The spiritual condition of the charge is good. The Sunday Schools are in a prosperous condition.

St. Michaels Circuit is in an excellent condition under the pastorate of H. Jolley. There are three churches in the charge, and one surplus one in which no regular service is held, and a very good parsonage. Probable value of churches, \$2,700. Probable value of parsonage, \$325. \$72 has been raised toward re-building in St. Michaels. Raised for building and improving churches and parsonage, \$351.78. The churches at Broad Creek and Bay Side and the parsonage have been very neatly repaired. The amount of indebtedness remaining in the charge is \$75. Amount of insurance on church property, \$1200. The spiritual condition of the charge is good. The Sunday Schools are in a very prosperous condition. Raised for ministerial support, \$544. Raised for benevolent purposes, \$39.50.

Talbot Circuit, is in a very progressive condition under the pastorate of A. Grinnage. There are five churches in the charge, probable value, \$2,900.00, probable value of Parsonage, \$400.00. A new church has been built in Ferry Neck 26x36 feet, finished all but plastering and seating. There has been paid on the new church \$693.00. Whole amount raised on indebtedness of churches and parsonage, \$138.00. The spiritual condition of the circuit is good. The Sunday Schools are in a tolerably good condition. Raised this year for ministerial support \$431.00. Raised for benevolent purposes, \$19.00.

Asbury Station, Easton, is now in a very good condition under the pastorate of A. Brown. Asbury Church is one of the best and finest churches in the Delaware Conference; but for the past two or three years it has been very much oppressed under a heavy burden of debt, but through the persistent and successful efforts of Brother Brown during his administration, he has diminished the debt and relieved the people to a very great extent. There has been raised this year on the debt of the church and paid \$750.00, leaving a balance of indebtedness to the amount of \$950.00. Whole amount raised for indebtedness on church and parsonage \$775.00. Probable value of the church \$15,700.00. The probable value of parsonage \$500.00. The spiritual condition of the church, tolerable; they have enjoyed seasons of revival, and several accessions to the church during the year. The Sunday School is in a very prosperous condition. Raised for ministerial support during the year, \$498.25. Amount raised for benevolent purposes, \$21.25. Insurance on church property \$400.00.

Trappe Circuit is in an excellent condition under the pastorate of D. J. Waters. There are two churches, and a surplus one in which no regular service is held, and a parsonage. The probable value of churches is \$3,000.00. Insurance

on church property, \$1,600.00. Probable value of Parsonage, \$500.00. Improvements have been made on the church at Trappe to the amount of \$77.66. An old and oppressive debt has been paid off on the John Wesley Church to the amount of \$244.00, having received \$50.00 as a donation from the Church Extension Society, they were thus encouraged to raise the balance, which was \$204. Total raised this year in the charges on churches and parsonage, \$321.66. They have a bright prospect of a church in the town of Oxford, where we have had a Mission Sunday School going on for some time, and where the pastor, through persistent effort, has secured a lot for the same.

The spiritual condition of the charge is good; several have been added to the church this year. The Sunday School also is in a prosperous condition. Received for ministerial support, \$438.00. Raised for benevolent purposes, \$22.00.

Cambridge, Waugh Chapel Station, is in a very prosperous condition, under the pastorate of H. A. Monroe. There is a Mission Church connected with the station. The probable value of the church property is \$7,790.00. Insurance on church property \$2,000.00. The parsonage has been rebuilt this year in a very modern and convenient plan, 16 x 30 feet, two stories with five rooms, finished complete at the cost of \$341.58. Paid on said claim \$304.00, leaving a balance of \$37.58, which is about all the indebtedness resting against the church or parsonage property. The spiritual condition of the charge is very good. The Sunday School is in an excellent condition.

Church Creek Circuit is in a very good condition, under the pastorate of A. Lowber. There are four churches in the charge, and a parsonage. Probable value of churches, \$2,600.00. Probable value of parsonage, \$300.00. There has been raised for indebtedness \$26.66, on building and improving churches, \$172.19. There is no indebtedness against the charge. Beckwith and John Wesley are preparing to rebuild. The spiritual condition of the charge is tolerably good, and also the Sunday School is in a tolerably good condition. Raised for ministerial support, \$376. Raised for benevolent purposes, \$18.50.

Madison Circuit is in a very prosperous condition under the pastorate of J. H. Johnson. There are six churches in the charge. The probable value of them is \$3000. A very good and convenient parsonage, with five rooms and a good lot has been purchased in the village of Madison for \$300.00 and \$100.00 of the amount has been raised. Whole amount raised this year for building and improving churches and parsonage, \$166.33. Balance of indebtedness in the charge is \$200.00. The circuit is a very extensive one, and a great deal of bad travel to contend with, yet the affairs in the charge have been managed well, under the circumstances. The spiritual condition of the charge is good. The Sunday School is in a progressive condition. Raised for ministerial support this year \$356.37. Raised for benevolent purposes \$6.00.

In conclusion while there has been considerable progress this Conference year in the way of building up the work in the bounds of the Cambridge District, both spiritually and temporally, there remains much more yet to be done. It will require more means, persistent effort, and earnest prayer, on the part of the ministers and people, to build up the waste places that yet remain, and to make the District what it ought to be, and what it promises to be in the near future.

Respectfully submitted,

L. Y. COX.

SALISBURY DISTRICT.

In presenting this my Second Annual Report of the condition of the churches on the Salisbury District, I desire to acknowledge with fervent gratitude, the goodness of the Lord, and his benediction upon the labors of the year. My time and my heart have been given to the responsible work assigned me,

and I have been enabled to meet all my engagements with a few exceptions; was left by the boat, once, prevented by a storm, twice, but with these exceptions I have visited every charge four times, held the Quarterly Conferences, preached regularly every Sunday, and also labored in revival meetings as opportunity offered.

I am glad to say that the Lord has blessed me with good health during the year, past. The health of the ministers and their families has been very good, excepting J. H. Nutter, who was caused by illness to vacate his charge four months. Since then, he has recovered, and has been at work on his charge, since April 18th.

I feel glad, also, to be able to report to this Annual Conference that the past year has been one of great success on the Salisbury District, both spiritually and temporally. There has been a gracious out-pouring of the spirit on many of the appointments, especially Fairmount, Snow Hill, Pocomoke City, Horntown, Drummond Town, Deals Island, Quantico, Friendship, Green Hill, Union, Laurel, Washington, Parsonsburg, Vienna, North Berlin, South Berlin, Stockton and Federalburg. These circuits have been blessed with a wonderful out-pouring of God's love. To some of them, one hundred converts have been added to their number, we trust such as shall be saved eternally.

The spiritual growth on Princess Anne, Snow Hill Circuit, and Chincoteague appointments has not been quite as encouraging as on the above named; still the meetings have been quite lively, and attended with much interest. Salisbury station is getting along nicely in a spiritual and financial manner. A large number at this appointment have professed to have found peace with God. The mission at Custis Neck is doing well: half an acre of ground has been bought and a neat little church built, 24x30. It has very large Sunday School, and they are marching on to victory.

All of the ministers of the districts have labored with great zeal this year, in striving to build up the church of Christ. They have preached at their appointments regularly, with a few exceptions. The itinerants and local preachers appear to be in love, and they work in unity together. The reports of the Local Preachers were received at the Quarterly Conferences, and every one around the District was approved. The class meetings are well attended and quite lively. The average attendance is about two-thirds, and about the same proportion of heads of families observe family worship. The prayer meetings are quite well attended. Our Sunday Schools, on a number of the charges, are getting along nicely, and they are attended with great interest on the part of teachers and scholars. The most of them are organized in Missionary Societies, and on several of the charges classes have been formed for religious instruction of the children. Our benevolent collections have had good attention given to them, as will be seen from the reports of the pastors.

The material prosperity of the district is improving. Rev. H. T. Rich, pastor of Quantico Circuit, has put one of his churches through a course of repairs; has also got the greater part of the lumber on the ground to build a church at another appointment, and has bought a church from the white congregation at Shiles. Now, \$5 will close him of debt on his circuit.

G. W. Sneed, pastor of Custis Neck, has purchased a half acre of ground, paid for it, bought the lumber, and built a snug church, 24x30. The indebtedness now is \$187. N. Young is in the act of completing the commodious church in Salisbury; has raised \$441 since the last Annual Conference, and so, we are slowly moving onward around the district. H. Morris has purchased a beautiful lot at Stockton, paid for it, and is in the act of building a respectable church thereon.

M. H. Horsey, pastor of Vienna Circuit, has succeeded in building a comfortable parsonage there, and paid as he went along. Many other improvements have been made which are too tedious to mention.

Personally, the year past has been one of earnest labor, and much looking to God in fear, and I feel that my faith has been strengthened in Him. Many unde-

served acts of kindness from the brethren, both of the ministry and laity, have been shown toward me, which will not soon be forgotten. Out of it all, as we look back on it, there ariseth cause for rejoicing, and praise to God, as well as inspiration for better, truer, diviner work in the future.

Respectfully submitted.

J. H. HOLLAND, P. E.

COMMITTEE OF EXAMINATION FOR THE YEAR 1883.

For admission on trial—W. H. Thomas, G. H. Washington, W. J. Parker.

First year—H. Jolly, W. C. Dickerson, G. H. Young.

Second year—Wm. H. Johnson, A. R. Shockley, Chas. Wing.

Third year—J. Q. Dennis, F. J. Lee, P. J. Adams.

Fourth year—J. D. Elbert, J. A. Scott, I. H. White.

Local Preachers for Orders—A. Brown, Peter Burrows, D. J. Waters.

To preach the Missionary Sermon—H. A. Monroe.

Alternate—J. R. Waters.

Triers of Appeals—W. J. Parker, Abram Brown, W. F. Butler, Hooper Jolly, J. D. Elbert, W Taylor, J. H. Pearce.

HISTORY OF THE DELAWARE CONFERENCE.

ORGANIZED A. D. 1864.

SESSION.	YEAR.	NAME OF CHURCH.	BISHOP.	SECRETARY.
1st.	1864	John Wesley, Phila.	Edmund S. Janes.	Wilmore S. Elsey.
2nd.	1865	Ezion, Wilmington.	Levi Scott.	John G. Manluff.
3rd.	1866	J. Wesley, Salisbury.	Matthew Simpson.	Wesley J. Parker.
4th.	1867	Janes, Chestertown.	Edmund S. Janes.	Wesley J. Parker.
5th.	1868	Zoar, Philadelphia.	Edmund S. Janes.	William Phillips.
6th.	1869	St. Paul's, Milford.	Edmund S. Janes.	William Phillips.
7th.	1870	Waugh, Cambridge.	Levi Scott.	Wesley J. Parker.
8th.	1871	Mt. Hope, Salem.	L. Scott, E. R. Amcs.	Wesley J. Parker.
9th.	1872	Whatcoat, Dover.	L. Scott E. G. Andrews	Hooper Jolly.
10th.	1873	Asbury, Easton.	Edmund S. Janes.	Hooper Jolly.
11th.	1874	Ezion, Wilmington.	Matthew Simpson.	Hooper Jolly.
12th.	1875	Ebenezer, Snow Hill.	Edmund S. Janes.	Wesley J. Parker.
13th.	1876	Zoar, Philadelphia.	Edmund S. Janes.	Wesley J. Parker.
14th.	1877	Janes, Chestertown.	Levi Scott.	George H. Waters.
15th.	1878	Union, St. Michael's.	William L. Harris.	George H. Waters.
16th.	1879	Waugh, Cambridge.	Levi Scott.	George H. Waters.
17th.	1880	Whatcoat, Dover.	Thomas Bowman.	George H. Waters.
18th.	1881	Ebenezer, Snow Hill.	William L. Harris.	George H. Waters.
19th.	1882	C. Wesley, Centreville.	Randolph S. Foster.	A. R. Shockley.

DEATH ROLL OF THE ANNUAL CONFERENCE.

NAME.	RECEIVED.	DIED.	RES. AT TIME OF DECEASE.
Wilmore S. Elsey,	1864	1867	Cambridge, Md.
Jas. Davis,	1864	1871	Philadelphia
Frost Pollett,	1864	1872	Salisbury, Md.
Samuel Dale,	1864	1872	Middletown, Del.
Geo. W. Freeland,	1871	1873	Chestertown, Md.
Harrison Smith,	1864	1874	Wilmington, Del.
Solomon Cooper,	1869	1877	Wilmington, Del.
John G. Manluff,	1864	1879	Centreville, Md.
Stephen Johns,	1867	1879	Berlin, Md.
Handy Long,	1867	1879	Pocomoke City, Md.
Perry W. Pipes,	1875	1879	Germantown, Pa.
James R. Webb,	1869	1880	Fairmount, Md.
John Tilghman,	1877	1881	Bridgeton, N. J.
David Eaves,	1867	1880	(near) Cambridge, Md.
Samuel P. Marshall,	1869	1881	Burnettsville, Md.
Simon Taylor,	1864	1882	Townsend Inlet, N. J.
Vincent B. Wallace,	1881	1882	Philadelphia, Pa.

MEMOIRS.

SIMON TAYLOR.

Rev. Simon Taylor departed this life in Cape May Co., near Cape May Court House, N. J., March 8th 1882, in the eighty-third year of his age (83). He was born at Port Penn, Del., April 11, 1799. He was born a slave, but by the love of his Heavenly Master and the manifestation of his Almighty arm over the destiny of man, he was emancipated and set free at the age of twenty-one. He remained at Port Penn many years during which time he formed an acquaintance with Miss Mary Price, a resident of Frenchtown, Md., to whom he was married, and with whom he lived happily many years. In 1833 he gave his soul to Christ, and his wife, in a short time, also joined in company with him toward the Celestial City. He began immediately to work for the Church of God and for the salvation of souls. He was a co-laborer in that work with Rev. Samuel Dale and Harrison Smith, and others. Rev. Simon Taylor was licensed as a local preacher about the year 1855; he joined the itinerancy in the year 1864. He filled the following appointments with great credit. Bridgeton and Goshen, 1864, 65 and 66; New Castle, 1867; Smyrna, 1868 and 69; Friendship, 1870, 71; Still Pond, 1872, 73, 74; Goshen 1875, 76; At the last named place he located.

REV. V. B. WALLACE,

departed this life, May 5th 1882, in the full triumphs of faith. He was converted to the Almighty God in the great revival in Philadelphia, in the year 1877. He joined the M. E. Church in Philadelphia, and being received in full membership in Zoar M. E. church, he soon gave evidences of a call to the ministry, and was licensed as an exhorter, by the rule of the M. E. Church, at Zoar, in 1879; and a local preacher in 1880, by the same church, under the administration of Rev. W. H. Coffey.

I. H. White,
B. W. Allen,
J. H. Johnson,
Committee.

BISHOP LEVI SCOTT.

Rev. Bishop Levi Scott D.D. Senior Bishop of the Methodist Episcopal Church, died at his residence, near Odessa, Delaware, July, 13th, 1882, after a protracted career of usefulness in the church in which he was reared.

He has filled all of the distinguished places in the church from the Pastorate to the Episcopacy.

From the beginning to the end, he manifested himself a friend of the colored race, especially those who were members of the Methodist Episcopal Church.

Twenty five or thirty years ago, when the freedom of speech was denied, or not allowed, to the white Preachers in the middle and the more southern States of the Union, and much less, association with the colored people, Bishop Scott (after repeated petitions by some of the leading colored brethren of the north) repulsed the vigorous objections offered by some of the leading men of the church and organized what was then known as a Local Conference in the more northern states, including a part of the state of Delaware.

This was the conception of a thing at that dark period, that has proved to be, in this brighter age, a regular organized conference in the Methodist Episcopal Church. We refer to the Delaware Conference: and yet the eighteen or twenty other conferences, a part of which are all, and a part, a majority are colored members, may be considered the fruit of the insignificant creature rocked in a cradle, in the form of a local conference twenty five or thirty years ago. Bishop Scott was then shaping a destiny for us that has proved more glorious than the eye of the church or world had thought to look upon for the next half century or more.

His persistent energies and noble philanthropy were not easily satisfied. In 1852 he was elected to the Episcopacy, and 1853 he visited the mission work in Liberia, and held the first regular Conference of our church in that country.

Bishop Scott will not be forgotten when the names of John Brown, Abraham Lincoln, Gen. U. S. Grant, and Gen. James A. Garfield, are being read and thought of as the Heroes of *true* national freedom in this country.

Bishop Scott was the originator of the Centenary Biblical Institute in Baltimore, of which Professor Rounds has the honor to be president.

He has presided four times over this body, he has visited the Conference several times, and always expressed it a gratification to him to do so.

Now this great man has passed away; his work is done; the Heaven of eternal repose is gained, and in his footsteps may we tread, until our life's labor is ended, and we the harbor gain, and there greet the beloved father of this, and many other Conferences in the Methodist Episcopal Church.

W. J. PARKER,
N. YOUNG,
H. JOLLY.

Committee.

MARTHA DEBORAH DICKERSON.

Murtha D. Dickerson, daughter of Jacob and Mary Bryan, was born in Kent Co., Del., Nov. 15th 1851, and died in the triumphs of faith, Oct. 27th, 1881, in Orange City, New Jersey.

She was converted when about sixteen, and became a faithful member of the A. M. E. Church. When about eighteen she moved her membership to Chester, Pa., and in 1875 she was received by letter in Zoar M. E. Church, Philadelphia, Pa. She was married by Rev. W. J. Parker to Rev. W. C. Dickerson, Feb. 14th, 1878; Bro. Dickerson being pastor of Zoar at that time. He soon found that he had a wife, a mother for his children, and a devoted christian teacher; so much so, that her husband was led to believe that she did as much to build up the church as he did.

Those who knew her the longest, loved her the most. She had a kind word for every body, and could always smile at the raging storm of affliction, and

trials. W. C. Dickerson, her husband, said, for seven long years I was acquainted with Mattie, and I never saw her show bad temper, say a wicked word, or do an evil act.

Last June, she was affected by the intense heat and became a victim to poor health. The long tedious summer passed away only to increase the melancholy fears that beset the heart of her friends. Thursday morning, October 27th 1881, the sun rose without a cloud, but alas it was Mattie's last look at Nature's rising sun. About 10.30 a. m., after a serious conference pertaining to the condition of her health, she was seen on Main st., Orange, New Jersey, taking her last walk with her husband, resting on his arm.

About 2 p. m., hemorrhages set in, and although she was strangling in her own blood, every few minutes she could be heard all over the house, saying, "Bless the name of the Lord! a few more pains like this will take me home where all my sufferings will be over." About seven p. m. she complained of being cold, and then called her husband to her bedside and said, "Pet, wont you be late?" knowing that he had an engagement with a brother to lecture that evening. He replied, "Mattie I cannot leave you; you are too sick." "Ah," said she "dont disappoint the brother; Jesus will take care of me."

Her husband called the daughter and nurse to their knees by her dying bed, and the last words Mattie heard from him was the Lord might spare him his dear Mattie. When done, she said "Amen," and when he kissed her good bye, she said, "take care of yourself, don't disappoint the brother."

About nine o'clock, she was asked, "what will you have done?" she said, "I have my blessed Jesus and I want no more." Then folding her hands across her breast she fell asleep in the Saviour's arms.

W. C. D.

COMMITTEE REPORTS.

STATE OF THE CHURCH.

Your committee, believing that the Church was divinely instituted, commissioned and inspired for the propagation of the Gospel throughout the world, as the means designed for the salvation and growth of immortal souls,

Resolved, That it is a matter of profound gratitude to Almighty God, that the church our blest Redeemer saved with his own precious blood has been so widely extended, and that the nations of the earth are so wonderfully moved under its benign influence and power.

Resolved, That, notwithstanding the various institutions for the spread of civilization, we recognize the church of our Lord Jesus Christ as the only efficient and sufficient instrumentality and organization for the ultimate reformation and salvation of the world.

Resolved, That the efficiency of the Church in the accomplishment of her glorious mission, is absolutely dependent upon the presence and power of the Holy Ghost in her midst.

Resolved, That we, the ministers of the Delaware Annual Conference, do pledge ourselves to renewed consecration to our great work, that thereby we may be better prepared to advance the Redeemer's Kingdom in our own bounds.

A. W. HAMILTON,
C. POLLETT,
P. BURROWS,

Committee.

BIBLE CAUSE.

We, your committee on the Bible Cause, beg leave to submit the following report:

WHEREAS, We consider the Bible Cause one of the greatest for which we labor. The Bible is the chart directing us the way to Heaven, and is a light on the pathway to Heaven.

Resolved, That we impress upon our people the necessity of continuing the circulation of this great book among the masses of the people, and as this cannot be done without money from some source.

Resolved, That we use our best endeavors to improve our collections for this worthy object.

Resolved, That, as ministers, we will use every possible means in our ministrations, both public and private, to enforce this great truth upon the hearts of people. We have received from

Philadelphia District.....	\$12 26
Cambridge ".....	9 16
Salisbury ".....	9 00
Total.....	\$30 42

N. MORRIS,
P. J. ADAMS,
D. R. DUNN.

Committee.

SUNDAY SCHOOL UNION.

We, the committee of Sunday Schools, desire to call the attention of the Conference to the great demand this noble work has upon us. We are to look to the Sabbath School as the church of the future, and among a people whose past has been so darkly clouded, it is of the greatest importance that we should, by all means, endeavor to make the future of our children a brighter one. With all the agencies at work for that end, none will yield grander results than the work of our Sabbath Schools, and it is hoped that more attention will be paid to this important subject by our brethren. We have received from

Philadelphia District.....	\$17 62
Cambridge ".....	16 58
Salisbury ".....	17 99
Total.....	\$52 19

W. J. PARKER,
T. H. JOHNSON,
C. HORSEY.

Committee.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON EDUCATION.

To the Bishop and Members of the Delaware Annual Conference.

DEAR BRETHREN: The subject of education is one of vital importance to us as a conference and as a people. In it we have much at stake, and it demands our immediate and earnest attention.

We recommend, as far as possible, the general observance of Children's Day, but hope that our brethren will remember that collections taken on that day must be sent directly to the Treasurer of the Children's Day Fund, in New York.

As every recommendation of the conference for the better conducting of the Centenary Biblical Institute has been met with an evident desire to afford every facility possible, under the circumstances, for the attainment of an education by all deserving applicants, we recommend that, in presenting the cause of education to our people, especial mention be made of the Centenary Biblical Institute, and the grand prospect of usefulness that lies before it.

We recommend as a committee to visit the Centenary Biblical Institute during the ensuing year, H. Jolly, I. H. White, Abram Murray.

Resolved, That the presiding bishop of this conference be requested to appoint a committee of seven, consisting of one minister and one layman from

each district, and one member of the Faculty of the Centenary Biblical Institute, whose duty it shall be to organize a conference education society, auxiliary to the Board of Education of the M. E. Church, and to act as the Board of Managers of said society until its organization is completed.

Resolved, That the educational collections for the past year be paid to Treasurer of the Centenary Biblical Institute as heretofore.

Resolved, That, hereafter, the education collections be taken up in the name of the Conference Education Society, to be used in aiding needy and worthy students of the Centenary Biblical Institute, under such rules and regulations as the society or its board of managers may adopt from time to time.

We have received from Philadelphia District.....\$34.05
From Cambridge District..... 61.04
From Salisbury District..... 23.00

Total.....\$118.09

W. H. THOMAS,
H. A. MONROE,
F. LEE,

Committee.

CONFERENCE BOARD OF EDUCATION.

To the Bishop and Members of the Delaware Annual Conference:

DEAR BROTHERS:—The Board of Managers of the Education Society of the Delaware Annual Conference, at a meeting held on 22d inst., after the election of the following officers, Rev. I. H. White, President; Abram Murray, Esq., Vice-President; W. H. Thomas, Secretary; Rev. J. E. Round, Treasurer, agreed to make the following recommendations:

1st, That the Conference set apart the afternoon of the second day of its ensuing annual session for the purpose of organizing a Conference Education Society. That the members of the Board of Managers on the different districts, act as sub-committees to urge upon the people the importance of the work.

FREEDMEN'S AID.

The work of the Freedmen's Aid Society, in educating suitable persons of our race for the work of the ministry, and for the profession of teacher, is second to none in its importance, and should command the deepest sympathy of all our ministry and membership. While all schools that are sustained by this society are doing a good work, our own Centenary Biblical Institute, by the thoroughness of its course of study, the faithfulness of its instructors, and the great increase of its facilities for usefulness, is worthy of our unqualified commendation. The culture of our future ministry, and the qualifications of those who are to instruct our children in the public schools, will depend very largely upon the effort we make in raising money for its treasury, and in interesting students to avail themselves of the facilities it offers. The large increase during the past year in the numbers of students, the still larger increase in the average attendance, the success of the trustees in paying for the new building, the large increase in the current revenue in the face of unusual embarrassments, are truly wonderful, and should be a theme of devout thanksgiving. We are gratified to learn that the course of study is to be greatly increased, without any sacrifice of the persistent thoroughness of the past ten years. In taking up our Freedmen's Aid collections, we should bear in mind that we are contributing to the support of our own school, and that we also contribute, indirectly, but quite as effectually, to sustain all of the schools, under the charge of this society. We should also bear in mind that, hereafter, this collection is the only one that is to be used to sustain the Institute itself, and should make our principal effort in this direction. We recommend the adoption of the following resolutions:

1st, That the Freedmen's Aid collections of the past year be paid to the treasurer of the Centenary Biblical Institute, agreeably to the action of the board of managers of the Freedmen's Aid Society.

2d, That the sum of five hundred dollars, apportioned to this Conference by the Freedmen's Aid Board, be apportioned by the Presiding Elders to their several districts, and pastoral charges, and that we will make an earnest effort to raise the full amount of our respective apportionments.

Philadelphia District.....	\$48 82
Cambridge ".....	27 25
Salisbury ".....	22 75
No name.....	1 00

Aggregate..... \$99 82

Received of Rev. Wm. F. Butler, ninety-nine dollars and eighty-two cents, viz: cash \$83.82; vouchers \$16.00, for the Freedmen's Aid Society of M. E. Church, to the credit of the Delaware Annual Conference.

WM. J. HOOPER, Treasurer.
per PROF. J. EMORY ROUND.

Centerville, Md. July 21st 1882.

CHURCH EXTENSION.

To Bishop and Members of Delaware Annual Conference:

DEAR BRETHREN:—The Committee on Church Extension, after a careful survey of the work accomplished by the Church Extension Society of the M. E. Church during the past year, and its needs for future and greater usefulness, do hereby recommend,

1st, That the pastors urge upon their people to contribute more largely to such a worthy object.

2d, That in order to secure larger contributions for this purpose, it be taken separate from the other collections. Upon the occasion of raising such collection, the pastor preach a special sermon upon the work of the Society. We have received

From Philadelphia District.....	\$39 83
" Cambridge ".....	63 59
" Salisbury ".....	50 05

Total..... 153 27

J. H. PEARCE,
J. S. WILLIS,
J. SCOTT,

Committee.

SUSTENTATION FUND.

We, the committee on Sustentation Fund, beg leave to submit the following report:

WHEREAS, This Conference Fund is much needed and is now established; therefore, we, your committee, recommend that there be a board of managers or officers appointed or elected to manage said funds until a constitution can be had. We nominate the following officers and managers, viz:

President, Rev. F. J. Lee; Vice President, Rev. N. Morris; Secretary, William H. Thomas; Assistant Secretary, W. C. Dickerson; William F. Butler, Corresponding Secretary; Abram Murray, Treasurer.

Managers—Ministers, Rev. J. D. Elbert, Rev. D. J. Waters, Rev. A. Brown. Laymen, Charles Potts, N. B. Waters.

W. J. PARKER,
GEORGE H. WATERS,
I. H. WHITE,

Committee.

SUSTENTATION FUND.

To the Bishop and Members of Delaware Annual Conference.

DEAR BRETHREN: We, the committee appointed on Sustentation Fund, beg leave to make the following report:

All the appointments have brought something, except eight, of which the minutes will show the blanks.

Received from Philadelphia District.....	\$32 96
Cambridge District.....	33 57
Salisbury District.....	20 36
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	\$86.89

W. J. PARKER,
C. ASH,
S. G. WATERS,
Committee.

PHILADELPHIA DISTRICT.

	Mem- bers	Money		Mem- bers	Money
Bridgton.....	75	\$ 50	John Wesley.....	78	50
Cape May.....	45	70	North Penn.....	18	36
Chester.....	135	2 00	Haven Mission.....	50	50
Dover.....	225	1 00	Zoar.....	385	2 00
Dover Circuit.....	88	50	Scott.....		
Lewes and Harmony.....	183		Port Deposit.....	124	2 68
Homesteadville.....	104	3 00	Salem.....	55	1 10
Middletown.....			Salem Circuit.....	74	30
Milford.....	262	2 00	Smyrna.....	120	1 52
Mount Zion.....			Townsend.....	80	1 60
New Castle.....	125	2 50	Wilmington.....	491	5 00
Odessa.....	232	1 00	Wilmington Circuit.....	171	2 70
Frankford.....	51	50			
Germantown.....	52	1 00	Total.....	3223	\$32 96

CAMBRIDGE DISTRICT.

	Mem- bers	Money		Mem- bers	Money
Cambridge.....	262	\$ 1 00	Kent Island.....	276	3 00
Centreville.....	470	1 50	Madison.....	337	30
Chestertown.....	106	1 00	Marydel.....	216	50
Church Creek.....	283	50	Millington.....	304	5 00
Crumpton.....	300	2 00	St. Michael's.....	276	3 00
Denton.....	160	50	Sassafras.....	136	2 72
Edesville.....	150	50	Still Pond.....	227	1 55
Easton.....	200	2 00	Talbot.....	175	50
Fairlee.....	206	4 00	Trappe.....	216	3 00
Greensborough.....					
Hillsborough.....	265	1 00		4655	\$33 57

SALISBURY DISTRICT.

	Mem- bers	Money		Mem- bers	Money
Chincoteague.....	19	\$ 38	Pocomoke City.....	318	1 50
Custis Neck.....	17	25	Quantico.....		
Deal's Island.....			Salisbury.....	196	1 00
Drummondtown.....	332	1 50	Snow Hill.....	150	1 00
Fairmount.....	330	1 00	Snow Hill Circuit.....	54	73
Federalburg.....	245	1 00	South Berlin.....	268	1 25
Friendship.....	239	1 50	Stockton.....	192	50
Green Hill and Kingston.....			Union.....	295	2 00
Hornstown.....	213	75	Vienna.....	290	1 00
Laurel.....	187	1 00	Washington.....	342	2 00
North Berlin.....	304	1 75			
Parsonsburg.....	160	25		4151	\$20 36

TREASURER'S REPORT.

The report of the Treasurer of the Delaware Annual Conference for the year ending July 20th, 1882, is as follows :

DR.	
Amount received July 22nd, 1881,.....	\$ 144 28
“ “ “ since,.....	15 00
Total,.....	\$ 159 28
CR.	
July 24th, 1881, to G. H. Waters.....	\$ 117 24
Sept., 1st, “ “ “	15 00
Total Expended.....	\$ 132 24
Balance in treasury July 20th. 1882.....	\$ 27 04
Respectfully submitted, N. YOUNG, Treasurer.	

REPORT OF CONFERENCE STEWARDS.

The Conference Stewards beg leave to make the following report of monies received :

Philadelphia District.....	\$ 137 60
Cambridge District.....	53 86
Salisbury District.....	43 32
Proceeds of Book Concern.....	100 00
From Chartered Fund	25 00
Total.....	\$ 359 78

DISTRIBUTED AS FOLLOWS.

Rev. I. Hinson.....	\$ 56 00
Benjamin Gibbs.....	65 00
Philip Kennedy.....	25 00
Charles Pollett.....	15 00
William Phillips.....	20 00
Geo. H. Waters.....	25 00
John C. Carroll.....	12 50
S. P. Whittington.....	12 50
Sister Long.....	15 00
“ Johns.....	20 00
“ Pipes.....	11 37
“ Manluff.....	18 00
“ Marshall.....	15 00
“ Webb.....	15 00
“ Tilghman.....	20 00
“ Taylor.....	25 00
Total.....	\$ 370 37

J. Brinkley,
D. J. Waters,
N. Young.

Committee.

WOMEN'S FOREIGN MISSIONARY SOCIETY.

Whereas, We believe in our Godly judgment, that, in the Women's Foreign Missionary Society, God designed to accomplish a great work ; and the success so far achieved by the Society, gives us very great reasons to believe, that, through it, He (God) intends to do a great work in the annihilation of sin and the exaltation of righteousness. Therefore Resolved, that we continue to assist in the carrying on of this work by urging upon our people to contribute to the Society.

AMOUNT RECEIVED THIS YEAR FROM

Philadelphia District.....	\$ 26 27
Cambridge District.....	18 40
Salisbury District.....	10 24
Total.....	\$ 54 91

J. D. ELBERT,
J. C. CARROLL,
P. J. ADAMS,
Committee.

EPISCOPAL FUND.

PHILADELPHIA DISTRICT.

Zoar.....	\$8 00	Dover Circuit.....	\$ 75
Haven Mission.....	3 25	Wilmington Circuit.....	3 00
Homestead Circuit.....	50	Ezion, Wilmington.....	10 00
Centreville.....	1 50	Salem Station.....	3 50
Berean Chapel.....	1 00	Townsend.....	2 00
Mt. Zion.....	1 50	Port Deposit.....	2 00
John Wesley.....	1 50	Salem Circuit.....	50
Frankford.....	50	Dover Station.....	4 00
Germantown.....	2 50	Bridgton.....	1 00
Odessa.....	1 50	Chester.....	2 00
New Castle.....	2 50	Lewes and Harmony.....	3 00
Milford.....	4 00		
Middletown.....	2 00	Total.....	\$63 00
Cape May.....	1 00		

CAMBRIDGE DISTRICT.

Cambridge.....	\$5 00	Trappe.....	\$4 00
Still Pond.....	5 00	Easton.....	4 00
Kent Island.....	5 00	St. Michael's.....	5 00
Talbot Circuit.....	4 00	Sassafras.....	3 00
Madison.....	3 00	Chestertown.....	5 00
Marydel.....	2 50	Greensborough.....	4 65
Crumpton.....	3 00	Church Creek.....	4 00
Hillsborough.....	5 00	Denton.....	4 00
Millington.....	4 00	Centreville.....	4 00
Fairlee.....	5 00		
Edesville.....	3 00	Total.....	\$82 15

SALISBURY DISTRICT.

Fairmount.....	\$5 00	Laurel.....	\$4 00
Custis Neck.....	25	Friendship.....	4 00
Parsonsborg.....	1 50	North Berlin.....	3 75
Quantico.....	4 00	Federalsburg.....	3 00
Pocomoke.....	4 00	Manokin.....	4 00
Princess Anne.....	2 00	Stockton.....	2 50
Salisbury.....	4 00	Vienna.....	5 00
Snow Hill.....	2 25	Union.....	5 00
Snow Hill Circuit.....	1 50	Drummondtown.....	5 50
South Berlin.....	4 00	Unknown.....	1 50
Washington Circuit.....	4 40		
Chincoteague.....	25	Total.....	\$73 40
Green Hill.....	2 00		

RECAPITULATION.

Philadelphia District.....	\$63 00
Cambridge ".....	82 15
Salisbury.....	73 40

Grand total\$218 55

S. P. WHITTINGTON,
H. JOLLY,
S. G. WATERS.

Committee.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON AUDITING PRES. ELDER'S ACCTS.

We, the Committee on auditing accounts of the Pres. Elders have examined their accounts and find them correct. The amounts apportioned to the several missions have been paid and properly received for.

WM. H. JOHNSON,
A. BROWN,
G. H. WASHINGTON.

Committee.

SABBATH OBSERVANCES.

We, the committee, beg leave to make the following report: Whereas, God has given us six days to accomplish all that is necessary in the way of ordinary work, and commanded us to keep the seventh holy; we therefore declare that we are strongly opposed to Sunday excursions, or the sale of water-melons and ice cream, in short, we think it a grave wrong, and sternly oppose trafficking of every description on the Lord's day, which tends to lower that regard that should be cherished by all for the Sabbath day.

Resolved. That the ministers of the Delaware Annual Conference preach against the same.

Resolved. That we discountenance the sale of lemonade, cigars, ice cream, beer, candies etc., on the Sabbath day when our Conference is in session.

J. S. HOLLY,
J. W. BROWN,
WILLIAM B. GREEN,

Committee.

TEMPERANCE.

We, the committee on Temperance, beg leave to submit the following report: Whereas, after having considered the great evil brought upon the country by the manufacture and sale of intoxicating liquors, we are more than ever convinced of the corrupting influence of intemperance.

Resolved. That we, the members of the Delaware Annual Conference, preach oftener on the subject of temperance, and use every possible means to banish this great evil out of our country.

WM. TAYLOR,
M. H. HORSEY,
E. E. PARKFR,

Committee.

TRACT CAUSE.

The committee on Tracts beg leave to submit the following:

Whereas, we are thoroughly convinced that much good has been accomplished by the use of tracts among our people. And whereas much religious instruction can be derived from them.

Resolved. Therefore, that we, as ministers of Christ, use every possible effort to forward the cause.

RECEIVED FROM

Philadelphia District.....	\$11 25
Cambridge ".....	8 50
Salisbury ".....	7 10
Total.....	26 85

T. B. H. COLEMAN,
G. W. YOUNG,
A. LOWBER.

Committee.

MISSIONS.

Your Committee on Missions present the following report of receipts :

Philadelphia District.....	\$419 41
Cambridge ".....	268 35
Salisbury ".....	260 52
Public collection at Conference.....	20 29
Total.....	\$968 57

DISBURSEMENTS.

Your committee met July 21st, 1882, and organized. The following named places were constituted missions, and the sum apportioned for their support, for the ensuing year is as follows :

Philadelphia District.....	\$115 00
Salem Circuit.....	40 00
Salem Station.....	36 00
Centreville.....	55 00
Frankford.....	20 00
Germantown.....	35 00
Cape May.....	25 00
Bridgeton.....	20 00
John Wesley.....	48 00
North Penn.....	40 00
20th and Oxford.....	90 00
Middletown.....	28 00
Smyrna.....	40 00
Dover Circuit.....	20 00
Dover Station.....	12 00
Total.....	\$624 00
Cambridge District.....	\$120 00
Sassafras.....	40 00
Edesville.....	24 00
Marydel.....	24 00
Burrisville.....	24 00
Denton.....	24 00
Easton.....	27 00
Total.....	\$283 00
Salisbury District.....	\$112 00
Stockton.....	20 00
Parsonsborg.....	20 00
Green Hill Circuit.....	20 00
Snow Hill Circuit.....	30 00
Chincoteague.....	21 00
Locust Mount.....	20 00
Wiserville.....	20 00
Hicksborough.....	30 00
Total.....	\$293 00

Philadelphia District	\$624 00
Cambridge "	283 00
Salisbury "	293 00

Grand Total.....\$1,200 00
 L. Y. COX, Secretary. J. E. WEBB, President.

MINUTE MONEY.

DEAR BRETHERN:—We, the Committee on Minute Money, beg leave to report as follows:

PHILADELPHIA DISTRICT.

Amount.	Amount.
K. J. Still.....\$ 2 00	A. R. Shockley.....\$ 2 00
J. K. Adams.....1 50	W. F. Butler.....
J. H. Pearce.....3 00	S. P. Whittington.....1 50
W. M. Webb.....3 00	J. S. Holley.....3 00
J. Brinkley.....70	T. M. Hubbard.....2 50
V. B. Wallace.....	Wm. H. Thomas.....3 00
Wm. Johnson.....1 90	H. D. Webb.....2 50
A. W. Hamilton.....3 00	G. H. Waters.....4 00
C. Wing.....2 00	I. H. Mason.....1 00
J. D. Elbert.....3 50	W. J. Parker.....9 50
T. B. H. Coleman.....2 50	
Wm. Taylor.....2 75	Cash Philadelphia Dist.....\$61 85
Isaiah Johnson.....3 00	Excess reported.....30
B. W. Allen.....1 50	
Noah Morris.....2 50	Total Cash.....\$62 15

CAMBRIDGE DISTRICT.

Amount.	Amount.
H. A. Monroe.....\$ 3 00	J. C. Carrol.....\$ 2 25
G. M. Landin.....	E. E. Parker.....3 00
T. H. Johnson.....	Hooper Jolly.....3 60
A. Lowber.....3 50	J. H. Winters.....2 50
J. Q. Dennis.....2 40	J. S. Willis.....2 75
J. W. Brown.....1 50	A. Grinnage.....2 00
C. H. Hutchins.....1 75	D. J. Waters.....2 00
A. Brown.....3 00	
D. R. Dunn.....3 00	Cambridge Dist.....\$45 25
Jacob Cook.....4 00	Deficiency in Cash.....4 00
Isaiah Broughton.....2 00	
C. H. Ash.....3 00	Total Cash Report.....\$41 25

SALISBURY DISTRICT.

Amount.	Amount.
S. E. Adams.....\$ 1 00	H. T. Rich.....\$ 2 50
George Sneed.....	J. A. Scott.....3 00
G. W. Young.....2 00	J. H. Nutter.....1 50
R. J. Waters.....1 70	W. B. Green.....1 25
E. H. Webb.....2 70	Henry Morris.....1 30
F. J. Lee.....3 50	Peter Burrows.....1 75
J. R. Waters.....2 00	Matthias Horsey.....3 00
A. Handy.....1 70	I. H. White.....7 00
T. E. Pinkett.....2 00	Nathan Young.....2 50
S. G. Waters.....1 50	
D. Brittingham.....1 75	Salisbury Dist.....\$48 90
P. J. Adams.....1 00	Excess cash reported.....1 00
G. H. Washington.....4 00	
Charles Horsey.....1 75	Total cash report.....\$49 90

RECAPITULATION.

Philadelphia District.....	\$ 62 15
Cambridge ".....	41 25
Salisbury ".....	49 90
Total.....	\$153 30

T. M. HUBBARD,
A. HANDY,
A. GRINNAGE.

Committee.

[NOTE: This report is *known* to be *incorrect*, but is a copy of the manuscript furnished by the Committee.—CONF. SEC'Y.]

ON DELINQUENT MINUTE MONEY.

The delinquents reported this session are G. M. Landin, T. H. Johnson and A. Lowber. Vincent B. Wallace, late pastor at Homesteadville, received no Minutes. T. H. Johnson and A. Lowber promised to pay for the Minutes they owe for in three months from this date, July 24th, 1882. G. M. Landin promised to pay this afternoon.

Respectfully submitted,

P. J. ADAMS.

DISTRIBUTION OF MINUTES.

Adams, P. J.....	20	Lee, F. J.....	40
Ash, C. H.....	40	Lowber, A.....	35
Allen, B. W.....	40	Landin, G. M.....	20
Adams, J. K.....	15	Morris, H.....	15
Adams, S. E.....	25	Morris, N.....	40
Brown, A.....	40	Monroe, H. A.....	30
Broughton, I.....	30	Mason, J. H.....	30
Brinkley, J.....	15	Nutter, J. H.....	20
Burrows, P.....	20	Pearce, J. H.....	15
Butler, W. F.....	80	Parker, E. E.....	40
Brittingham, D.....	20	Parker, W. J.....	100
Carroll, J. C.....	25	Rich, H. T.....	25
Coleman, T. B. H.....	25	Scott, J. A.....	25
Coleman, R. H.....	20	Ridout, D. A.....	20
Dickerson, W. C.....	40	Snead, George.....	20
Dennis, J. Q.....	25	Shackley, A. R.....	20
Dunn, D. R.....	30	Still, K. J.....	15
Elbert, J. D.....	40	Taylor, William.....	30
Fawcett, Charles.....	20	Thomas, W. H.....	30
Green, W. B.....	20	Whittington, S. P.....	20
Grigsby, J.....	20	Washington, George H.....	50
Grinnage, A.....	20	Waters, D. J.....	25
Handy, A.....	20	Waters, J. R.....	30
Horse, C. A.....	30	Waters, R. J.....	20
Horse, M. H.....	40	Waters, S. G.....	20
Hubbard, T. M.....	25	Webb, H. D.....	20
Hamilton, A. W.....	25	Webb, W. M.....	30
Holly, J. S.....	25	Webb, E. H.....	15
Hutchins, C. H.....	20	Willis, J. S.....	30
Hubbard, J. H.....	20	White, I. H.....	30
Johnson, W. H.....	25	Wing, C.....	10
Johnson, J. H.....	20	Winters, J. H.....	20
Johnson, I. H.....	15	Young, G. W.....	10
Jolly, H.....	70	Young, N.....	30

Philadelphia District	\$624 00
Cambridge "	283 00
Salisbury "	293 00

Grand Total.....\$1,200 00

L. Y. COX, Secretary.

J. E. WEBB, President.

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A. W. Hamilton.....3 00	G. H. Waters.....4 00
C. Wing.....2 00	I. H. Mason.....1 00
J. D. Elbert.....3 50	W. J. Parker.....9 50
T. B. H. Coleman.....2 50	
Wm. Taylor.....2 75	Cash Philadelphia Dist.....\$61 85
Isaiah Johnson.....3 00	Excess reported.....30
B. W. Allen.....1 50	
Noah Morris.....2 50	Total Cash.....\$62 15

CAMBRIDGE DISTRICT.

Amount.	Amount.
H. A. Monroe.....\$ 3 00	J. C. Carrol.....\$ 2 25
G. M. Landin.....	E. E. Parker.....3 00
T. H. Johnson.....	Hooper Jolly.....3 60
A. Lowber.....3 50	J. H. Winters.....2 50
J. Q. Dennis.....2 40	J. S. Willis.....2 75
J. W. Brown.....1 50	A. Grinnage.....2 00
C. H. Hutchins.....1 75	D. J. Waters.....2 00
A. Brown.....3 00	
D. R. Dunn.....3 00	Cambridge Dist.....\$45 25
Jacob Cook.....4 00	Deficiency in Cash.....4 00
Isaiah Broughton.....2 00	
C. H. Ash.....3 00	Total Cash Report.....\$41 25

SALISBURY DISTRICT.

Amount.	Amount.
S. E. Adams.....\$ 1 00	H. T. Rich.....\$ 2 50
George Sneed.....	J. A. Scott.....3 00
G. W. Young.....2 00	J. H. Nutter.....1 50
R. J. Waters.....1 70	W. B. Green.....1 25
E. H. Webb.....2 70	Henry Morris.....1 30
F. J. Lee.....3 50	Peter Burrows.....1 75
J. R. Waters.....2 00	Matthias Horsey.....3 00
A. Handy.....1 70	I. H. White.....7 00
T. E. Pinkett.....2 00	Nathan Young.....2 50
S. G. Waters.....1 50	
D. Brittingham.....1 75	Salisbury Dist.....\$48 90
P. J. Adams.....1 00	Excess cash reported.....1 00
G. H. Washington.....4 00	
Charles Horsey.....1 75	Total cash report.....\$49 90

RECAPITULATION.

Philadelphia District.....	\$ 62 15
Cambridge ".....	41 25
Salisbury ".....	49 90
Total.....	\$153 30

T. M. HUBBARD,
A. HANDY,
A. GRINNAGE.
Committee.

[NOTE: This report is *known* to be *incorrect*, but is a copy of the manuscript furnished by the Committee.—CONF. SEC'Y.]

ON DELINQUENT MINUTE MONEY.

The delinquents reported this session are G. M. Landin, T. H. Johnson and A. Lowber. Vincent B. Wallace, late pastor at Homesteadville, received no Minutes. T. H. Johnson and A. Lowber promised to pay for the Minutes they owe for in three months from this date, July 24th, 1882. G. M. Landin promised to pay this afternoon.

Respectfully submitted,

P. J. ADAMS.

DISTRIBUTION OF MINUTES.

Adams, P. J.....	20	Lee, F. J.....	40
Ash, C. H.....	40	Lowber, A.....	35
Allen, B. W.....	40	Landin, G. M.....	20
Adams, J. K.....	15	Morris, H.....	15
Adams, S. E.....	25	Morris, N.....	40
Brown, A.....	40	Monroe, H. A.....	30
Broughton, I.....	30	Mason, J. H.....	30
Brinkley, J.....	15	Nutter, J. H.....	20
Burrows, P.....	20	Pearce, J. H.....	15
Butler, W. F.....	80	Parker, E. E.....	40
Brittingham, D.....	20	Parker, W. J.....	100
Carroll, J. C.....	25	Rich, H. T.....	25
Coleman, T. B. H.....	25	Scott, J. A.....	25
Coleman, R. H.....	20	Ridout, D. A.....	20
Dickerson, W. C.....	40	Snead, George.....	20
Dennis, J. Q.....	25	Shockey, A. R.....	20
Dunn, D. R.....	30	Still, K. J.....	15
Elbert, J. D.....	40	Taylor, William.....	30
Fawcett, Charles.....	20	Thomas, W. H.....	30
Green, W. B.....	20	Whittington, S. P.....	20
Grigsby, J.....	20	Washington, George H.....	50
Grinnage, A.....	20	Waters, D. J.....	25
Handy, A.....	20	Waters, J. R.....	30
Horsey, C. A.....	30	Waters, R. J.....	20
Horsey, M. H.....	40	Waters, S. G.....	20
Hubbard, T. M.....	25	Webb, H. D.....	20
Hamilton, A. W.....	25	Webb, W. M.....	30
Holly, J. S.....	25	Webb, E. H.....	15
Hutchins, C. H.....	20	Willis, J. S.....	30
Hubbard, J. H.....	20	White, I. H.....	30
Johnson, W. H.....	25	Wing, C.....	10
Johnson, J. H.....	20	Winters, J. H.....	20
Johnson, I. H.....	15	Young, G. W.....	10
Jolly, H.....	70	Young, N.....	30

ON STATISTICAL REPORT.

Resolved, That this Conference advise the Presiding Elders to assist the ministers of their several districts in making their reports to the Conference at the last round, and the evening before the sitting of the Conference.

ON EXAMINING COMMITTEES.

Resolved, That this Conference require its members of the examining Committees to purchase the books required by the discipline, and examine the candidate for the ministry on the same.

J. E. WEBB.

SLATER FUND.

WHEREAS, The estimable John F. Slater, in sympathy for depraved humanity, and seeing and taking into consideration the condition of the people of African descent, and

WHEREAS: He has decided that a universal education is much needed to bring about the required equal rights and establish peace and union among our nations,

AND WHEREAS: He has contributed (\$1,000,000) one million dollars to establish a fund for the education of the colored people of this country,

Resolved, That our thanks are due and are hereby tendered to John F. Slater for his kindness and beneficence toward us as a race.

I. H. WHITE.

RESOLUTION ON DAUGHTERS OF CONFERENCE.

WHEREAS, The Daughters of Conference, have been and are doing so much for the glory of God, in building up the church and Kingdom of Christ, by raising money for our broken down and worn out ministers, also to increase the funds of the "Preachers Aid Society,"

Resolved, That every minister who shall receive a circuit or station, shall be advised to organize societies, and preach at least one sermon, and take a collection for the same, in each year.

TRANSFER OF REV. THOS. H. JOHNSON.

WHEREAS, In the providence of God, and the economy of the church, our brother Thos. H. Johnson has been transferred from this to the Newark Conference,

Resolved, That we pledge our brother, our earnest prayers that God's choicest blessings may rest upon him in his new field of labor, and should he at any time return to our midst, we will receive him gladly in a christian spirit.

ON THE REV. G. H. WATERS.

WHEREAS, After due consideration of the sickness of George H. Waters, former Secretary of this Conference, which has so completely prostrated him and rendered him unable to support his family,

Resolved, Therefore, that we, the members of this conference do pledge ourselves to give one dollar each, this conference year, for the purpose of paying his rent.

Resolved, That Rev. W. J. Parker be the treasurer, and the money be sent to him this quarter.

T. H. JOHNSON.

WHEREAS, After taking into consideration the case of Rev. G. H. Waters, the former secretary of the Delaware Annual Conference, and seeing that he is unable to labor as a pastor with us,

Resolved, That we appropriate the sum of \$25.00 from the conference claims to assist him this conference year.

Yours, JAMES H. MASON.

APPOINTMENTS.

PHILADELPHIA DISTRICT—J. E. WEBB, P. E.
(P. O. 1633 Darien St. Philadelphia, Pa.)

Bridgeton, (N. J.)—D. A. Ridout.
Cape May, (N. J.)—J. K. Adams.
Chester, (Pa.)—N. Morris.
Dover, (Del.)—W. M. Webb.
Dover Circuit, (Del.)—W. H. Johnson.
Lewes & Harmony—J. E. A. D. Grigsby
Middletown, (Del.)—S. P. Whittington.
Milford, (Del.)—J. D. Elbert.
Mount Zion, (N. J.)—T. B. H. Coleman.
New Castle, (Del.)—Chas. Fawcett.
Odessa, (Del.)—J. H. Mason.
Port Deposit (Md.)—T. M. Hubbard.
Phila. (Pa.) Frankford,—J. Johnson.
“ (Pa.) Germantown—J. H. Pearce.

Phila. (Pa.) John Wesley,—B. W. Allen.
“ North Penn.,—J. Brinkley.
“ Haven Mission,—A. R. Shockley.
“ Zoar—W. F. Butler.
Salem, (N. J.) W. H. Thomas
Scott, (N. J.)—J. S. Holly.
Salem Circuit,—(N. J.) King J. Still.
Smyrna, (Del.)—C. Wing.
Townsend, (Del.)—C. H. Ash.
Wilmington, (Del.) Ezion—W. J. Parker.
Wilmington Circuit, (Del.) H. D. Webb.

CAMBRIDGE DISTRICT—L. Y. COX, P. E.
(P. O. Milford, Del.)

[All these appointments are in Maryland.]

Burrisville—G. M. Landin.
Cambridge—H. A. Monroe.
Centreville—A. W. Hamilton.
Chestertown—G. H. Washington.
Church Creek—A. Lowber.
Crumpton—J. Q. Dennis.
Denton—R. H. Coleman.
Edesville.—C. H. Hutchins.
Easton—W. C. Dickerson.
Fairlee—D. R. Dunn.
Greensborough—I. Broughton.

Kent Island—S. G. Waters.
Madison—J. H. Johnson.
Marydel—J. C. Carroll.
Millington—E. E. Parker.
St. Michael's—A. Brown.
Sassafras—J. H. Winters.
Still Pond—J. S. Willis.
Talbot Circuit—A. Grinnage.
Trappe—D. J. Waters.
Skipton—S. E. Adams.

SALISBURY DISTRICT—J. H. HOLLAND, P. E.
(P. O. Federalsburg, Md.)

Chincoteague, (Va.)—J. H. Green.
Locust Mount, (Va.)—G. W. Young.
Deals Island, (Md.)—Geo. Snead.
Fairmount, (Md.)—N. Young.
Federalsburg, (Md.)—C. Horsey.
Friendship, (Md.)—J. R. Waters.
Green Hill and Kingston, (Md.)—A. Handy.
Hortown, (Va.)—E. H. Webb.
Laurel, (Del.)—D. Brittingham.
North Berlin, (Md.)—R. J. Waters.
Parsonsburg, (Md.)—P. J. Adams.
Princess Anne, (Md.)—I. H. White.

Quantico, (Md.)—H. T. Rich.
Salisbury, (Md.)—Wm. Taylor.
Snow Hill, (Md.)—J. A. Scott.
Snow Hill Circuit, (Md.)—J. H. Hubbard.
South Berlin, (Md.)—W. B. Green,
Stockton, (Md.)—H. Morris.
Union, (Md.)—P. Burrows.
Vienna, (Md.)—M. H. Horsey.
Washington, (Md.)—H. Jolly.
Pocomoke City, (Md.)—F. J. Lee.
Wiseville, (Va.)—J. H. Nutter.

CERTIFICATE OF ORDINATION.

This is to certify that, in Centreville, Md., on the 23rd day of July, 1882, Silas E. Adams was by me ordained to the order of Deacon in the Methodist Episcopal Church; and at the same time and place, several Elders assisting in the service, the following were ordained to the order of Elders in the same church: Arthur W. Hamilton, Mathias H. Horsey, Henry A. Monroe, Benj. W. Allen, Thomas B. H. Coleman, and Thomas M. Hubbard.—Given under my hand, July 23rd 1882.

RANDOLPH S. FOSTER.

ALPHABETICAL ROLL OF MEMBERS.
WITH THEIR POST OFFICE ADDRESS.

[The letters designate the present relation:—P, Probationer; D, Deacon; E, Elder; P. E., Presiding Elder; S p., Supernumerary; S, Superannuated. The figures in the first column indicate the year of admission on trial, in the last column the time of present relation.]

1880	Adams, J. K.	P.	Cold Spring, N. J.	2
1870	Adams, P. J.	E.	Salisbury, Md.	2
1881	Adams, S. E.	P.	Skipton, Md.	1
1878	Allen, B. W.	E.	1018 Arch St., Philadelphia, Pa.	1
1872	Ash, C. H.	E.	Townsend, Del.	1
1864	Brinkley, J.	E.	1018 Arch St., Philadelphia, Pa.	1
1880	Brittingham, D.	D.	Laurel, Del.	1
1864	Broughton, I.	E.	Greensborough.	1
1864	Brown, A.	E.	St. Michael's Md.	1
1871	Brown, J. W.	S. P.		
1865	Burrows, P.	E.	Burnettsville, Md.	2
1871	Butler, W. F.	E.	645 Hedding St., Philadelphia, Pa.	2
1869	Carroll, J. C.	E.	Marydel, Md.	2
1877	Coleman, T. B. H.	E.	Haddonfield, N. J.	2
1867	Cox, L. Y.	P. E.	Milford, Del.	2
1865	Dennis, J. Q.	E.	Merrickton, Md.	3
1870	Dickerson, W. C.	E.	Easton, Md.	1
1874	Dunn, D. R.	E.	Fairlee, Md.	3
1865	Elbert, J. D.	E.	Milford, Del.	2
1864	Gibbs, B.	S.	210 W. Twelfth St., Wilmington Del.	
1882	Green, J. H.	P.	Chincoteague, Va.	1
1867	Green, W. B.	E.	Berlin, Md.	2
1866	Grinnage, A.	E.	Royal Oak, Md.	2
1882	Grigsby, J. E. A. D.	P.	Nassau, Del.	1
1878	Hamilton, A. W.	E.	Centreville, Md.	1
1871	Handy, A.	E.	Pocomoke City, Md.	2
1865	Hinson, I.	S.	Haddonfield, N. J.	1
1879	Holly, J. S.	D.	8th Ward, Camden, N. J.	2
1866	Holland, J. H.	P. E.	Federalburg, Md.	3
1869	Horse, C. A.	E.	Bridgeville, Del.	1
1878	Horse, M. H.	E.	Vienna, Md.	3
1877	Hubbard T. M.	E.	Port Deposit, Md.	2
1881	Hutchins, C. H.	D.	Edesville, Md.	2
1881	Johnson, J. H.	P.	Frankford, Penn.	2
1879	Johnson, J. H.	D.	Madison, Md.	2
1875	Johnson, W. H.	E.	Dover, Del.	1
1867	Jolly, H.	E.	E. New Market, Md.	1
1865	Kennedy, P.	S.	Marydel, Md.	
1877	Landin, G. M.	E.	Centreville, Md.	1
1869	Lee, F. J.	E.	Pocomoke City, Md.	1
1876	Lowber, A.	E.	Church Creek, Md.	3
1879	Mason, J. H.	D.	Odessa, Del.	1
1878	Monroe, H. A.	E.	Cambridge, Md.	2
1865	Morris, H.	E.	Girdletree Hill, Md.	1
1866	Morris, N.	E.	Chester, Pa.	1
1881	Nutter, J. H.	P.	Wiseville, Va.	1
1879	Parker, E. E.	D.	Millington, Md.	2
1864	Parker, W. J.	E.	209 East 13th st. Wilmington, Del.	2
1864	Pearce, J. H.	E.	Germantown, Pa.	1

1865	Phillips, W.	S.	Fowling Creek, Md.	.....
1864	Polett, C.	S.	Centreville, Md.	.....
1866	Rich, H. T.	E.	Quantico, Md.	.....	2
1882	Ridout, D. A.	P.	Bridgeton, N. J.	.....	1
1864	Saunders, J. W.	S.		.....
1877	Scott, J. A.	E.	Snow Hill, Md.	.....	2
1877	Shockley, A. R.	E.	2222 Turner st., Phila. Pa.	.....	2
1881	Still, K. J.	P.	Salem, N. J.	.....	1
1975	Taylor, W.	E.	Salisbury, Md.	.....	1
1877	Thomas, W. H.	E.	Salem, N. J.	.....	2
1872	Washington, G. H.	E.	Chestertown, Md.	.....	1
1872	Waters, D. J.	E.	Trappe, Md.	.....	2
1874	Waters, G. H.	S.		.....
1879	Waters, J. R.	D.	Fruitland, Md.,	.....	3
1876	Waters, R. J.	E.	Berlin, Md.	.....	1
1864	Waters, S. G.	E.	Kent Island, Md.	.....	1
1881	Webb, E. H.	P.	Pocomoke City, Md.	.....	1
1870	Webb, J. E.	P. E.	1633 Darien St., Philadelphia, Pa.,	.....	4
1875	Webb, W. M.	E.	Dover, Del.	.....	2
1874	White, I. H.	E.	Princess Anne, Md.	.....	1
1864	Whittington, S. P.	E.	Middletown, Del.	.....	1
1873	Willis, J. S.	E.	Still Pond, Md.	.....	2
1865	Wing, C.	E.	Smyrna, Del.	.....	1
1879	Winters, J. H.	D.	Sassafras, Md.	.....	2
1876	Young, G. W.	E.	Locust Mount, Va.	.....	1
1864	Young, N.	E.	Upper Fairmount, Md.	.....	1

LOCAL PREACHERS SUPPLYING CHARGES.

H. D. Webb, Wilmington Del.
 C. Fawcett, New Castle Del.
 J. H. Hubbard, Snow Hill, Md.

R. H. Coleman, Denton, Md.
 George Snead, Tangier, Md.

POST OFFICE ADDRESS OF THE BISHOPS.

Matthew Simpson, D. D. LL. D., 1332 Arch St., Philadelphia, Pa.
 Thomas Bowman, D. D. LL. D., 3029 Washington Ave., St. Louis Mo.
 William L. Harris, D. D., LL. D., 493 Lexington Ave., New York.
 Randolph S. Foster, D. D., LL. D., 59 Rutland, Boston, Mass.
 Isaac W. Wiley, D. D., 190 West Fourth St., Cincinnati, O.
 Stephen M. Merrill, D. D., 57 Washington St., Chicago Ill.
 Edward G. Andrews, D. D. LL. D., 805 Eleventh St., N. W. Washington, D.C.
 Jesse T. Peck, D. D, LL. D., Syracuse, N. Y.
 Henry W. Warren, D. D., 110 Whitehall St., Atlanta, Ga.
 Cyrus D. Foss, D. D. LL. D., 1117 Second Ave. Minneapolis, Minn.
 John F. Hurst, D. D., DesMoines, Iowa.

CONSTITUTION

OF

Preachers' Aid Society of the Delaware Conference.

ARTICLE I.

The corporate name of this Society shall be the "PREACHERS' AID SOCIETY OF THE DELAWARE CONFERENCE OF THE METHODIST EPISCOPAL CHURCH."

ARTICLE II.

The object of this Association is to raise and perpetually maintain a fund for the relief of Preachers of said Conference and their families—said fund to consist:

First—Of such moneys as may be collected, from time to time, from the several Circuits and Stations within the bounds of said Conference, for that purpose.

Second—Of such sums as may be specifically appropriated to that object by the Daughters of Conference or other like organizations.

Third—Of such sums as may be received for annual or life subscriptions of its members.

Fourth—Of funds accruing from bequests, donations, and such other sources as may be opened up. The fund shall be permanent, and the whole of the proceeds, after payment of incidental expenses, shall be annually applied as herein directed.

ARTICLE III.

All members of this Conference may become members of this Society, and shall pay the sum of \$2.00 annually. Any person, not a member of this Conference shall or may become a member of this Society, for one year, by the payment of \$1.00; or a life member, by the payment of \$5.00 at one time, or a life patron, by the payment of \$20.00 in like manner; and such persons shall be entitled to participate in all the proceedings of the Society while members.

ARTICLE IV.

The officers of this Society shall be a President, Vice-President, Secretary, Treasurer, and five Managers. The said officers and managers shall constitute a Board of Control, having full power to manage the affairs of the Society, subject to this Constitution and such By-Laws as may be enacted under it. The Treasurer shall be indefinite, and three of the managers shall be laymen. These officers shall be elected at the annual meeting of the Society, and shall hold their office to the close of the Annual Conference next ensuing, or until their successors are elected. The Treasurer shall, before entering upon the duties of his office, give bond and security for double the amount he holds in hand at any time, which may be, at any time increased by the Board at their discretion; said bond to be approved by the Board, and filed with the Secretary. The Board shall have the power to make By-Laws for their own government and that of the Society; *provided*, said By-Laws are not inconsistent with this Constitution. Five members shall constitute a quorum. Vacancies occurring in the interim of Conference, by death, resignation, or otherwise, may be filled by the Board.

ARTICLE V.

The annual meeting of the Board shall be one day previous to the meeting of the Conference, and at the place designated for the same. And special meetings of the Board may be called by the President or any two members thereof, upon reasonable personal notice. The annual meeting of the Society shall be held on the second day of the session of the Annual Conference, at 7 o'clock P. M., at which time the Society shall elect officers for the ensuing year, and the Board of Control shall present a full and detailed report of the condition of the Society, its receipts and expenditures, with all other matters that may be necessary to a full understanding of its doings by the members. Meetings of the Society may be called by the President or any two members of the Board—twenty days' notice having been given in the Church journal having the largest circulation in the Conference.

ARTICLE VI.

The Board shall have power to appoint an agent, and fix his salary, who shall labor for the increase of the Fund in such manner as they shall direct.

ARTICLE VII.

The Board shall, after defraying the necessary incidental expenses, invest all moneys of the Society according to their own discretion, with the following restrictions: All investments shall be made by direct loan, secured by first mortgage on productive real estate, for one-third its value, insured to the value of the amount of the loan, and policy assigned to the Board; or by the purchase of United States bonds. No loan shall be made by the Board, or any member or members thereof, without the written order of the President, countersigned by the Secretary; and at the annual meeting of the Board, the Treasurer shall present a full report of the receipts and expenditures during the current year, and of the amount on hand. The Board shall thereupon fix the amount to be applied to the objects of the Society for the Conference year then closing, and shall order, accordingly, which amount they shall pay over to the Stewards of the Conference. Contingent expenses shall be paid by the Treasurer, upon the order of the President, and countersigned by the Secretary; and no sum shall be paid out by him, except as herein directed.

ARTICLE VIII.

The proceeds of the Fund shall be applied to the aid of the following classes of persons, and under the following limitation and restriction, viz:

First—The Superannuated Ministers of the Methodist Episcopal Church, who shall have performed four years of effective service in the Delaware Conference after the date of their reception on trial by the Conference or transfer to the Conference, and also the families of such Ministers.

Second—The widows and orphan children of deceased Itinerant Ministers, who shall have performed like service in said Conference, and being still members thereof at the time of their decease; *provided*, that such widows or orphan children are persons of good, moral character.

Third—Ministers who have been embarrassed in their circumstances by protracted sickness—said Ministers having performed like service in said Conference, and being still members thereof—such Ministers shall receive the sum of \$2.00 per week, for three months; then at the discretion of the Board of Control. Also, there shall be appropriated for the burial of such deceased Ministers, that have performed like service in said Conference, the sum of \$40.00.

ARTICLE IX.

The Board shall, at their annual meeting, appoint a Distributing Committee to serve to the close of the ensuing session of the Conference. Said Committee shall consist of three members of the Conference, who may be the Stewards. This Committee shall, in the interim, and during the session of the Conference, obtain all necessary information, as to the necessities of the claimants on the Fund, and shall, upon such information, recommend appropriations to the full aggregate amount allowed by the Board for distribution, which recommendation shall be submitted to the Conference for approval.

ARTICLE X.

This Constitution may be altered, or amended at any annual meeting of the Society, by a vote of two-thirds of the members present and voting—such amendment or alteration having been first recommended by a majority of all the members of the Board of Control.

ARTICLE XI.

The corporate seal of this Society shall be a metallic impression, with the following words and letters, to wit:

“THE PREACHERS’ AID SOCIETY, DELAWARE CONFERENCE, M. E. CHURCH.”

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BY-LAWS.

ARTICLE I.

No person shall be entitled to any dues from this Society, who shall have been suspended by his Presiding Elder, until his case shall be disposed of, and he deemed not guilty.

ARTICLE II.

If any members are found trying to defraud this Society, by pretending that they are sick, they shall be brought before a Committee for trial, and if found guilty, they shall be expelled; nevertheless they shall have a right to appeal at the next annual meeting of the Society, where the case shall be finally disposed of.

ARTICLE III.

Any member that shall be taken sick, shall consult with a regular physician, whose certificate as to the fact shall be received.

ARTICLE IV.

Any member that shall bring sickness on himself voluntarily, shall not be entitled to any of the benefits of this Society.

ARTICLE V.

If any member of this Society shall be sick for one week, and thereby entitled to dues, he shall forward to the President a certificate given by the Doctor under whose care he shall be placed; and the President shall, after general satisfaction give an order on the Treasurer for the amount due to the sick member, forthwith, as provided in the Constitution and By-Laws.

ARTICLE VI.

Any member of this Society living near a sick member, shall be a visiting committee to wait on him, to ascertain the nature of the sickness of the member, and to give the President a full account of the case ; provided, that the disease is not contagious.

ARTICLE VII.

The two nearest brothers shall be a committee to wait on the sick member, and any brother that neglects to wait on a sick member after being notified, unless prevented by some contagious disease, shall pay a fine of \$2.00, or the amount of one week's dues, to the sick.

ARTICLE VIII.

All members of the Board of Control shall have their fare paid out of the Society's funds, when attending the meeting of the Board of Control, by the nearest and cheapest route from their homes, to the place designated.

ARTICLE IX.

The Treasurer shall hold \$100.00 in hand at all times, to be ready to discharge our obligations to the sick members of this Society.

ARTICLE X.

No member shall be allowed, while speaking, to use personalities, or cast reflections on other members while speaking.

ARTICLE XI.

No member shall be interrupted while speaking, unless called to order by the President, or to allow a brother to make explanations.

ARTICLE XII.

No member shall be allowed to speak more than ten minutes at a time, unless called on by the President.

PHILADELPHIA DISTRICT—GENERAL STATISTICS, No. 2.

CIRCUITS AND STATIONS.	PROBATIONERS.										MEMBERS.				MINISTERIAL SUPPORT.				PRESIDING ELDER.		BISHOPS.		CONFERENCE CLAIMANTS.		
	No. on Roll at last Conference and received since	No. removed by certificate	No. rem'd without certifi.	Drop'd, with'n or unkn'n.	No. of Deaths.	Rec'd into full connection.	No. on roll at end of this year.	No. rec'd by certificate.	No. rec'd from probation.	No. removed by certificate.	With'd'n, expel'd or unkn'n.	No. of Deaths.	No. known members at the end of this year.	Pastor's Claim, including rental value of Parson's age, or house rent.	Pastor's receipts, including rental value of Parson's age, or house rent.	Deficiency.	Amount Apportioned.	Amount Paid.	Amount Apportioned.	Amount Paid.	Amount Apportioned.	Amount Paid.	Amount Apportioned.	Amount Paid.	
	6	12	2	2	2	5	2	3	3	1	2	10	21	75	\$200	\$60	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	
Bridgeton	6	12	2	2	2	5	2	3	1	2	10	21	75	\$200	\$60	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	
Cape May	12	2	2	2	2	5	2	3	1	2	10	21	75	\$200	\$60	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	
Chester	10	1	2	2	2	5	2	3	1	2	10	21	75	\$200	\$60	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	
Dover	28	2	2	2	2	15	10	10	15	2	4	4	225	485	179	71	35	15	1	50	75	2	2	2	
Floresville						7	6	7	7	3	3	101													
Forestville						7	6	7	7	3	3	101													
Georgetown	37	4	4	4	4	32	9	9	28	12	8	183	325	315	10	24	26	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	
Leaves and Harmony	38	2	2	2	2	9	9	9	9	2	4	2	89	386	386	40	20	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	
Middletown	14	1	1	1	1	5	9	9	9	3	8	6	262	450	430	20	55	55	4	4	4	4	4	4	
Milford	16	1	1	1	1	13	3	3	15	1	4	158	330	330	30	58	29	5	5	5	5	5	5	5	
Mount Zion	28	5	3	3	3	15	10	15	2	3	5	3	125	441	391	50	48	32	50	2	50	2	50	3	
New Castle	68	3	11	11	11	32	22	32	2	7	8	4	232	480	480	16	17	2	50	2	50	2	50	2	
Oleska	5	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	2	51	250												
Frankford	17	2	1	1	1	5	6	5	1	2	2	1	48	416	416	24	24	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	
Germanstown	16					13	13	13	13	1	4	78	550	450	100	20	26	3	1	5	2	5	2	5	
John Wesley	5					1	1	1	1	1	1	18	60	60	40	20	26	3	1	5	2	5	2	5	
North Penn	46	8	2	2	2	26	8	2	5	8	3	1	50	626	626	24	24	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	
Twentieth and Oxford	77	4	4	4	4	18	5	18	4	8	4	350	940	940	80	80	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	
Zoar	19	10	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	1	10	133	385	385	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	
Scott	14	12	14	14	14	14	14	14	14	2	4	113	360	360	40	40	40	40	40	40	40	40	40	40	
Port Deposit	8	21	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	2	1	55	452	452	38	34	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	
Salem	8	21	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	2	1	55	452	452	38	34	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	
Salem Circuit	99	10	24	20	20	20	20	20	20	4	9	74	220	220	58	28	28	1	50	50	1	50	1	50	
Smyrna	55					26	26	26	26	2	53	120	475	373	102	44	44	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	
Townsend Circuit	77					17	66	27	17	3	4	191	820	820	41	41	41	41	41	41	41	41	41	41	
Exton, Wilmington	46	19	11	11	11	35	3	3	3	3	2	177	360	360	40	40	40	40	40	40	40	40	40	40	
Wilmington Circuit	656	31	109	111	121	295	89	182	39	65	131	673	10347	9466	113	922	862	50	72	50	49	75	103	25	

CAMBRIDGE DISTRICT—GENERAL STATISTICS, No. 2.

CIRCUITS AND STATIONS.	PROBATIONERS:				MEMBERS:				MINISTRIAL SUPPORT:		PRESBYTER ELDER:		BISHOPS:		CONF. CLAIMANTS:				
	No. on Roll at last Conference, and received since.	No. removed by Certificate.	Rem'd without Certificate.	Drop'd, With'd'n, or Unkn'n.	No. rec'd into full Connection.	On Roll at end of this year.	No. rec'd by Certificate.	No. rec'd from Probation.	No. removed by Certificate.	With'd'n, expelled or unkn'n.	No. of Deaths.	No. of known members at end of this year.	Pastor's Chm., including rental value of Parson- age, or House Rent.	Parson's receipts, including rental value of Parson- age, or House Rent.	Deficiency.	Amount Apportioned.	Amount Paid.	Amount Apportioned.	Amount Paid.
Cambridge	72	12	18	41	2	18	2	18	9	262	546	591	476	26	26	5	26	5	26
Centreville	80	10	25	35	84	60	1	10	474	460	580	40	63	63	4	3	4	3	4
Chestertown	256	10	14	34	28	197	27	10	4	397	620	580	40	28	28	3	28	3	28
Church Creek	27	5	18	6	6	21	6	3	12	283	370	370	54	54	28	3	54	3	54
Crumpton	28	4	8	6	10	4	4	4	4	300	375	375	54	54	28	3	54	3	54
Denton	20	1	7	5	1	5	5	5	13	150	400	400	40	40	40	3	40	3	40
Edesville	74	8	20	10	7	21	3	10	5	200	485	485	44	44	16	4	44	4	44
Easton	67	4	5	1	37	20	37	1	4	206	350	350	44	44	16	4	44	4	44
Fairlee	77	4	6	15	26	18	26	11	5	240	240	263	52	52	52	5	52	5	52
Greensborough	40	4	6	8	10	20	10	20	1	10	265	345	12	12	12	5	12	5	12
Hillsborough	19	2	5	8	6	3	2	2	18	8	276	420	140	140	52	52	5	52	5
Kent Island	50	1	26	25	1	24	1	24	1	5	337	402	325	77	77	44	43	44	44
Madison	41	4	22	10	12	1	3	1	4	216	390	245	45	45	44	36	45	2	50
Marydel	76	4	25	59	18	1	29	1	3	3	420	420	55	55	55	5	55	5	55
Millington	29	4	22	4	1	22	1	1	3	14	276	500	30	30	34	34	34	3	34
St. Michael's	42	1	4	9	28	9	1	1	1	8	267	425	425	40	40	40	5	40	5
Saxatras	16	5	8	16	13	13	13	13	175	450	450	30	30	30	30	30	30	30	30
Stell Pond	1014	28	54	151	111	561	22	345	44	36	109	126	566	767	7537	402	744	50	745
Talbot Circuit																			
Trappe																			

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SALISBURY DISTRICT.—GENERAL STATISTICS, No. 1.

CIRCUITS AND STATIONS.	MEMBERSHIP.				BAPTISMS.				CHURCH PROPERTY.				SUNDAY SCHOOLS.										BENEVOLENT COLLECTIONS.										MINISTERIAL SUPPORT.													
	No. of Probationers.	No. of Full Members.	No. of Local Preachers.	No. of Deaths.	No. of Children.	No. of Adults.	No. of Churches.	Probable Value.	No. of Parsonages.	Probable Value.	Paid for building and improving Churches and Parsonages.	Paid for land & interest on Church property.	Present indebtedness on Church property.	No. of Officers and Teachers.	No. of Scholars of all ages.	FOR MISSIONS.			SUNDAY SCHOOLS.							BENEVOLENT COLLECTIONS.							For Pastors, Elders and Bishops.	For Conferences and Synods.												
																From Churches.	From Sunday Schools.	Total.	For Women's Foreign Missionary Society.	For Board of Church Extension.	Tract Society.	For Sunday School Union.	For Freedmen's Aid Society.	For Education.	For American Bible Society.	Other Collections.	For Charities.	Current Expenses (Saxton, fuel, gas, Sunday schools, etc.)																		
Chincoteague.	13	15	1	3	25	4	\$ 125	3	\$ 200	10	\$ 10	0	16	10	2	25	38	10	25	25	25	25	13	79	38	5																				
Deal's Island.	4	314	8	3	25	2	1800	3000	190	24	10	24	20	20	10	50	50	50	50	50	50	75	266	140	2																					
Drummondtown.	12	310	7	6	32	4	3000	3000	450	200	200	200	25	25	10	50	50	50	50	50	50	75	392	2	48																					
Fairmount.	22	245	1	4	24	1	3200	3000	60	65	65	75	6	6	16	50	50	50	50	50	50	50	60	493	5	100																				
Federalburg.	25	235	1	7	45	3	1150	1100	20	10	10	10	4	4	12	25	25	25	25	25	25	25	493	2	24	45																				
Friendship.	12	127	3	1	27	3	2000	2000	112	114	166	166	4	4	5	10	10	10	10	10	10	25	304	3	24	45																				
Green Hill.	13	213	3	1	4	3	2000	2000	250	250	250	250	4	4	12	25	25	25	25	25	25	25	304	3	24	45																				
Hartown.	18	157	4	4	83	25	4200	4200	300	275	36	166	4	4	12	25	25	25	25	25	25	25	304	3	24	45																				
Laurel.	29	304	2	7	39	24	2450	2450	250	275	36	166	4	4	12	25	25	25	25	25	25	25	304	3	24	45																				
North Berlin.	27	169	2	3	24	2	1500	1500	60	13	36	36	4	4	12	25	25	25	25	25	25	25	304	3	24	45																				
Parsonage.	59	318	4	5	18	1	1400	1400	300	42	33	457	5	5	12	25	25	25	25	25	25	25	304	3	24	45																				
Princess Anne.	215	7	14	8	10	4	1000	1000	40	75	60	200	2	2	5	10	10	10	10	10	10	25	394	3	50	65																				
Quantico.	6	166	1	1	10	1	1375	1300	575	400	400	400	6	6	15	30	30	30	30	30	30	30	394	3	50	65																				
Salisbury.	71	100	2	4	3	1	2000	2000	500	400	400	400	6	6	15	30	30	30	30	30	30	30	394	3	50	65																				
Snow Hill.	10	54	3	5	3	3	850	800	91	60	68	68	3	3	7	14	14	14	14	14	14	25	395	3	10	10																				
Snow Hill Circuit.	30	263	3	22	8	4	1800	1800	20	20	20	20	3	3	7	14	14	14	14	14	14	25	319	2	75	75																				
South Berlin.	7	182	5	66	2	4	4200	4200	600	49	52	100	4	4	10	20	20	20	20	20	20	25	113	1	40	40																				
Stockton.	17	295	7	5	29	3	2000	2000	700	52	52	100	5	5	12	25	25	25	25	25	25	25	192	5	50	50																				
Vienna.	13	209	6	6	40	6	3500	3500	555	9	9	9	5	5	12	25	25	25	25	25	25	25	483	5	24	15																				
Washington.	19	342	6	6	40	6	3500	3500	555	9	9	9	5	5	12	25	25	25	25	25	25	25	483	5	24	15																				
Red Hill.	7	10	1	1	1	1	500	500	38	38	38	38	1	1	3	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	407	2	20	20																				
<i>Recapitulation by Districts.</i>	366	3172	76	85	645	109	78	42510	5150	3518	00	1450	00	2698	00	78	544	1726	189	29	79	30	269	30	7143	16	30	25	827	00	45	32	519	25												
Cambridge.	409	4060	67	145	667	86	76	60715	7395	4680	00	2168	00	3106	00	78	587	3900	179	64	125	65	305	28	19	00	46	50	23	50	28	25	67	04	11	75	25	86	7327	00	67	23	1495	56		
Salisbury.	497	4952	76	85	645	109	76	42510	5150	3518	00	1450	00	2698	00	78	544	1726	189	29	79	30	269	30	269	30	7143	16	30	25	827	00	45	32	519	25										
Philadelphia.	328	3014	62	76	322	51	51	98145	7150	5931	00	1460	00	6388	00	48	410	2686	255	25	191	70	439	95	37	27	66	95	11	25	15	92	47	07	34	75	22	68	110	18	109	80	21	85	2232	65
Total this year.	1324	13526	205	265	1634	139	205	106995	13529	60	5078	00	17192	00	204	1541	11388	614	18	396	65	1014	53	56	70	153	38	28	88	65	92	100	47	122	79	54	31	161	67	45	599	00	214	62	4247	46
Total last year.	1276	13781	204	210	1771	293	208	144524	34	12595	14447	9347	00	18068	00	207	1522	9888	501	37	347	95	908	42	54	140	75	28	66	64	23	92	86	159	40	30	50	532	20	2312	00	21	75	508	72	
Increase.	42	204	1	10	137	36	3	56288	3	71090	00	4249	00	386	00	3	19	1414	52	79	49	60	106	11	4	36	6	63	82	1	69	7	67	00	23	61	189	00	2	87	938	74	370	33		

SALISBURY DISTRICT—GENERAL STATISTICS, No. 2.

CIRCUITS AND STATIONS.	PROBATIONERS						MEMBERS.						MINISTERIAL SUPPORT.				PRESBYTERING ELDER.		BISHOPS		CONG CLAIMANTS.					
	No. on Roll at last Confer- ence, and received since		No. removed by certificate		Drop'd, With'd, or Unk'n		No. received into full No. on the Roll at the end of this year		No. rec'd by certificate No. probation		No. removed without certifi- cate		With'd, expel'd or Unk'n		No. of known members at the end of this year.		Pastor's Claim, including rental value of parson- age, or house rent		Pastor's receipts, including rental value of parson- age, or house rent.		Deficiency.		Amount Apportioned		Amount Paid	
	No. on Roll at last Confer- ence, and received since	No. removed by certificate	Drop'd, With'd, or Unk'n	No. received into full No. on the Roll at the end of this year	No. rec'd by certificate No. probation	No. removed without certifi- cate	With'd, expel'd or Unk'n	No. of known members at the end of this year.	Pastor's Claim, including rental value of parson- age, or house rent	Pastor's receipts, including rental value of parson- age, or house rent.	Deficiency.	Amount Apportioned	Amount Paid	Amount Apportioned	Amount Paid	Amount Apportioned	Amount Paid	Amount Apportioned	Amount Paid							
Chincoteague	10	1	7	4	1	1	15	\$ 103	\$ 71	\$ 8	\$ 8	\$ 8	\$ 8	\$ 8	\$ 8	\$ 8	\$ 8	\$ 8	\$ 8							
Drummondtown	87	3	19	19	19	4	338	355	355	32	32	32	32	32	32	32	32	32	32							
Deal's Island	103	5	86	105	80	6	314	336	266	70	40	40	40	40	40	40	40	40	40							
Fairmount	38	10	27	27	16	6	245	400	400	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Federalburg	21	2	10	25	18	7	235	324	350	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Friendship	21	2	12	16	16	7	127	280	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Green Hill	20	2	12	18	16	9	213	318	279	39	32	32	32	32	32	32	32	32	32							
Hornstown	28	4	16	18	18	3	187	324	296	23	26	26	26	26	26	26	26	26	26							
Laurel	28	4	16	18	18	3	187	324	296	23	26	26	26	26	26	26	26	26	26							
North Berlin	52	6	3	14	20	7	304	325	325	26	26	26	26	26	26	26	26	26	26							
Parsonsburg	36	1	8	27	18	3	160	324	286	38	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20							
Pocomoke City	81	1	22	59	15	5	318	350	350	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Princess Anne	35	10	15	3	11	8	215	300	300	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Quincy	52	3	8	22	15	2	318	350	300	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Salisbury	32	1	1	5	6	8	344	400	400	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Snow Hill	71	1	7	11	11	12	190	330	330	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
South Bethel	45	2	8	14	10	3	190	330	330	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Stockton	38	2	15	30	30	8	281	200	272	114	24	24	24	24	24	24	24	24	24							
Union	14	1	2	16	17	6	182	315	288	57	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20							
Vienna	35	2	10	17	16	3	202	231	181	50	16	16	16	16	16	16	16	16	16							
Washington	45	10	2	13	11	9	295	430	430	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Red Hill	43	10	1	13	19	3	269	370	370	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
	7		7	7	7	6	344	415	399	16	31	31	31	31	31	31	31	31	31							
Total this year	651	16	39	94	33	276	316	41	312	40	38	82	93	5172	7347	6027	600	533	600							
Total last year	651	16	39	94	33	276	316	41	312	40	38	82	93	5172	7347	6027	600	533	600							
Increase	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0							
Decrease	466	28	51	64	53	175	223	38	2	45	31	120	35	733	848	211	00	89	00							

Recapitulation by Districts.

Salisbury	651	16	39	94	33	276	316	41	312	40	38	82	93	5172	7347	6027	600	533	600
Cambridge	604	28	54	151	111	321	666	42	345	44	30	409	226	2707	7871	600	757	408	408
Philadelphia	630	30	47	169	11	221	295	80	102	39	65	131	67	3616	10347	9406	600	416	600
Total this year	2371	74	100	354	155	818	1267	172	819	103	130	422	256	14048	25575	20000	1353	600	2307
Total last year	2781	70	89	418	162	933	1490	114	817	58	97	442	251	13315	24717	20000	1442	600	2235
Increase	466	28	51	64	53	175	223	38	2	45	31	120	35	733	848	211	00	89	00
Decrease	466	28	51	64	53	175	223	38	2	45	31	120	35	733	848	211	00	89	00

PHILADELPHIA DISTRICT.—SUNDAY-SCHOOLS.

CIRCUITS AND STATIONS.	CIRCUITS AND STATIONS.														
	No. of Sunday Schools.	No. Officers and Teachers.	No. of Scholars of all ages.	No. of Scholars 15 years old and over.	No. Scholars under 15 yrs old, except Infant Class.	No. of Scholars in Infant Class.	Average attendance of Teachers and Scholars.	No. of Library Books.	Total expense of Schools this year.	No. S. S. Advocates taken.	No. S. S. Classmates taken.	No. S. S. Journals taken.	Officers and Teachers who are Ch. Mem. or Probs.	Scholars who are Members or Probationers.	No. of Conversions.
Bridgeport	1	75	75	30	20	25	60						7		
Cape May	2	16	50					200	4	50	144	14	14	4	
Chester	1	16	150	75	38	37	100	447	34		24	15	25	5	
Dover	2	15	190	60			69								
Dover Circuit	3	16	89			18		175				11	29	2	
Homesteadville	5	33	195	95	41	26	107	207	26	20		27	13	3	
Lewes and Harmony	1	8	75	15	15	15	50	200			6	27	37		
Middletown	5	55	239	85	209	30	136	340	24		14	27	30		
Milford	1	15	162	55	42	65	86	200	76			15	16		
Mount Zion	3	20	75	25	24	26	50		5		12	20	15	14	
New Castle	2	17	103	31	43	29	82	23	65	15		2	17	41	11
Odessa	1	15	30	15	15	20	300	66			4	15	3		
Frankford	1	6	23	12	11		12	200	22			4	9		
Germantown	1	5	36	15											
John Wesley	1	5	38	14		6		400					4	4	1
North Penn	1	10	40	18		20			33	47		10	9		
Twentieth and Oxford	1	20	170			45		100	75		20	30	12	50	2
Zoar	1	13	68	45		23	35	50	25			7	9	1	
Scott	1	16	80	60	12	8	90	300	20		120	16	23	19	
Port Deposit	1	6	50	22	8	10	5	123	27			8	8		
Salem	2	15	112	25	15		84	250	5						
Salem Circuit	2	10	125	90		35	70		6		1	10	50	15	
Smymna	2	9	35	25	10	10	20	40	5			6	6		
Townsend	1	31	387	201	91	95	155	341	75	75	22	22	159	40	
Wilington, Erion	3	21	178	39	82	34	152	302	17	48	168	38	18	5	
Wilington Circuit	3	21	178	39	82	34	152	302	17	48	168	38	18	5	
	46	463	2775	1072	745	613	1439	4197	553	55	164	467	349	468	155

SALISBURY DISTRICT.—SUNDAY-SCHOOLS.

CIRCUITS. AND STATIONS.	CIRCUITS AND STATIONS.														
	No. of Sunday Schools.	No. Officers and Teachers.	No. of Scholars of all ages.	No. of Scholars 15 years old and over.	No. Scholars under 15 yrs old, except Infant Class.	No. of Scholars in Infant Class.	Average attendance of Teachers and Scholars.	No. of Library Books.	Total expense of Schools this year.	No. S. S. Advocates taken.	No. S. S. Classmates taken.	No. S. S. Journals taken.	Officers and Teachers who are Ch. Mem. or Probs.	Scholars who are Members or Probationers.	No. of Conversions.
Chincoteague	1	16	40	20	10	10	13	30	75				9	6	
Deals Island	5	29	253	96	80	68	175	275	13		3	11		8	
Drummondtown	2	16	286	140	70	70	150	200	6	50		7	30		
Fairmount	2	25	250	100	100	50	200	230	24			20	60	50	
Federalburg	6	45	205	100	60	45	165	320	2	50			50	8	
Friendship	4	24	125	65	61		85	145					20	50	
Green Hill and Kingston	4	15	130	52	46	31	75	125	5			15	50	20	
Hornstown	4	12	205	30	20	155	125	240	10			9	6	30	
Laurel	4	34	110	52	58		250					14	16		
North Berlin	1	46	182	85	79	42	136	236	14	47		46	58	19	
Parsonburg	6	12	125	15		10	80	100	4				10	10	
Poconoke City	5	25	230	145	60	24	165	48	35			12	25	35	28
Princess Anne	2	8	100		30	15	50					7	17	5	24
Quaquico	4	20	270	20	12	15	35	40	15			20	25	16	60
Salisbury	1	16	115	30	61	24	85	100	10			48	6	6	
Snow Hill	1	11	84	38	42	4	9	140	18			5	6		
Snow Hill Circuit	2	15	43	21	17	5	34	67					7	8	5
South Berlin	4	36	262	107	26	46	224	222	16			48	34	17	
Stockton	4	14	149	62	60	27	93		3	80			28	11	
Union															
Vienna	5	18	125	25	60	40	60	200	15				15	24	4
Washington	5	26	180	80		60	40	100	19				22	9	26
Red Hill	4	27	209	75	100	25	160	250	4				14	19	
	79	484	3563	1358	1057	766	2159	3338	216	02		95	375	543	326

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CIRCUITS AND STATIONS	No. of Sunday-Schools.	No. of Scholars of all ages		No. of Scholars 15 years old and over.		No. of Scholars under 15 yrs. old, except Infant Class.		No. of Scholars in Infant Class.		Average attendance of Teachers & Scholars.	No. of Library Books.	Total expense of Schools this year	No. S. S. Advocates taken	No. S. S. Classmates taken	No. S. S. Journals taken.	Officers and Teachers who are Ch. Mem. or Prob. Mems.	No. of Scholars who are Members or Prob. Mems.	No. of Conversions.
	No. of Officers & Teachers.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	\$	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.
Cambridge	2	20	170	31	80	59	100	200	36	40	36				8	19	42	28
Centreville	6	31	395	200	95	95	200	185	40	50	40				36	25	100	25
Chestertown	1	27	200		50	50		300	1 50							20		10
Church Creek	5	32	263															
Crampton	4	30	125	75	30	20	75	175	20		20					25	25	5
Denton	5	25	240	100	140		140	500	10 18		10					20	40	5
Edesville	3	15	150	50	50	50	100	175	25		25				12	10	2	3
Easton	1	10	140	75	40	45	85	200	50		50		5		12	12	3	3
Fairlee	5	72	175	75	55	35	165	280	57		57				72	65	68	23
Greenborough	5	38	175													10	40	40
Hillsborough	6	40	300				150				13 25							
Kent Island	4	28	169						8		8							
Madison	6	28	225		5				8		8					15		
Marydel	3	15	75	25	30	20	50	250			250					10	15	5
Millington	0	55	329	163	82	115	164	587	28 71		587				7	41	67	10
St. Michael's	3	24	178	59	46	114	550		4 40		40				18	22	37	8
Sassafras	3	21	114	66	28	20	120		6 85		85				12	18	65	4
Still Pond	3	20	230	100	90	40	128	125	12		12				15	20	40	15
Talbot Circuit	2	25	150		65	07	50	200	6 00		00				18	19	15	18
Trappe	2	25	150		65	07	50	200	6 00		00				18	19	15	18
Totals	73	562	3795	1019	915	6	1706	4087	494 39	5	4087	494 39	5	198	351	559	230	
<i>Recapitulation by Districts.</i>																		
Philadelphia	46	468	2775	1072	745	613	1439	4197	553 55		553 55			164	467	349	488	155
Cambridge	73	562	3795	1019	915	615	1706	4087	494 39	5	4087	494 39	5	198	351	559	230	
Salisbury	79	484	3503	1358	1057	766	2259	3338	216 02		3338	216 02		95	375	543	376	
Total this year	198	1514	10133	3449	2717	1994	5404	11622	1263 96	5	11622	1263 96	5	164	760	1075	1590	711
Total last year	200	1471	9813	4008	2509	1997	5193	10971	969 72	137	10971	969 72	137	28	420	1154	1714	755
Increase		43	320		208			651	294 24		651	294 24		136	340			
Decrease	2		559			31	89			132			132		79	124	44	

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Rev. Isaac Hinson.....	10	Gilbert Shaw.....	10
Elizabeth Brown.....	40	Rebecca Stevens.....	10
H. D. Wilson.....	15	Sarah J. Sadler.....	5
Delia W. Brown.....	15	Sadie Moor.....	5
Annie Forten.....	5	Janey Moor.....	5
Joseph Lewis.....	25	Sarah Faucett.....	50
Sarah J. Quann.....	10	Lillie Forten.....	5
Rebecca Callis.....	5	Joseph A. Forten.....	5
Martha White.....	5	James E. Forten.....	5
Anna Selby.....	10	Henry C. Stevens.....	5
Benjamin Lewis.....	5	Rachel Sadler.....	5
Annie P. Lewis.....	5	Mary L. Baynard.....	5
Josey Lewis.....	5	Charles W. Bassett.....	5
Theodore Lewis.....	5	Rachel Arthur.....	50
Sarah J. Cornelius.....	5	John L. Stevens.....	25
Esther Grose.....	20	Edward H. Coleman.....	5
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George Demby.....	6	Mrs. Wortonberry.....	5
Rosa Hawkins.....	5	Julia Potts.....	10
John Hawkins.....	10	Mary Parker.....	6
Wesley Potts.....	40	Joshua Bell.....	15
Joseph Brown.....	15	Mrs. W. E. Waters.....	20
Richard Brown.....	5	Samuel W. Waters.....	5
Jeremiah Jones.....	5	Cash.....	40
Church Collection.....			\$3 00
Sunday School Collection.....			3 00
Total.....			\$6 00

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