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## DISCIPLINARY QUESTIONS.

1. *Who are received by transfer, and from what Conference?*  
William M. Webb from Newark Conference, Solomon Hammond from Washington Conference.
2. *Who are admitted on trial?*  
N. B. Snowden, C. J. Hall, R. H. Coleman, J. W. Cook, J. H. Accooe, James A. Richardson, T. M. Draper.
3. *Who remain on trial?*  
J. W. Bond, M. L. McKenney.
4. *Who are discontinued?*
5. *Who are admitted into full connection?*  
Revs. Jas. Scott, Chas. O. Waters, Jno. H. Griffin, W. T. Cole, W. J. Moore, L. E. Toulson.
6. *Who are re-admitted?*
7. *Who are received on credentials from other churches?*
8. *What traveling preachers have been elected Deacons?*  
J. H. Scott, C. O. Waters, W. J. Moore, L. E. Toulson, J. T. Cole, J. H. Griffin.
9. *What traveling preachers have been ordained Deacons?*  
J. H. Scott, C. O. Waters, W. J. Moore, L. E. Toulson, J. T. Cole, J. H. Griffin.
10. *What local preachers have been elected Deacons?*  
M. L. McKenny, J. W. Cook, Curtis Lane, C. J. Hall.
11. *What local preachers have been ordained Deacons?*  
M. L. McKenny, J. W. Cook, Curtis Lane.
12. *Who are the Traveling Deacons of the first class?*  
J. H. Scott, C. O. Waters, W. J. Moore, L. E. Toulson, J. T. Cole, J. H. Griffin.
13. *Who are the Travelling Deacons of the second class?*  
J. L. Cole, C. A. Tindley, J. W. Pinkney, J. R. Brinkley.
14. *What Traveling Deacons have been elected Elders?*  
J. W. Lankford, T. S. Als, J. H. Harman, L. W. Deakins.
15. *What Traveling Deacons have been ordained Elders?*  
J. W. Lankford, T. S. Als, J. H. Harman, L. W. Deakins.

16. *What local Deacons have been elected Elders?*
17. *What local Deacons have been ordained Elders?*
18. *Who are the Supernumerary Preachers?*
19. *Who are the Superannuated Preachers?*  
I. Broughton, A. Grinnage, G. W. Young, Joshua Brinkley, W. B. Green, S. G. Waters, S. P. Whittington, J. Saunders, Chas. Pollett, H. Morris, P. J. Adams, N. Young.
20. *Was the character of each Examined?*  
It was.
21. *Have any died?*  
J. H. Holland, W. J. Jackson, C. Wing.
22. *Have any been Transferred, and to what Conference?*
23. *Have any withdrawn?*  
J. J. Campbell.
24. *Have any been located at their own request?*
25. *Have any been located?*
26. *Have any been permitted to withdraw under charges?*
27. *Have any been expelled?*
28. *Who have been selected as Triers of Appeals?*  
(See list.)
29. *What is the Statistical Report?*  
(See Statistical Report.)
30. *What are the Claims on Conference Funds?*  
(See Conference Stewards Report.)
31. *What has been received on these claims, and how applied?*
32. *Where are the Preachers stationed?*  
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33. *Where shall the next Conference be held?*  
Princess Anne.



CONFERENCE DIRECTORY.

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

Table with columns for name, designation, admission year, and appointment year. Includes entries for Adams, J. K., Allen, B. W., Adams, S. E., etc.

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FIRST DAY—April 18th, 1888.

The twenty-fifth session of the Delaware Annual Conference convened in Whatcoat M. E. Church, Dover, Del., 9 A. M.

The Conference was called to order by Bishop Cyrus D. Foss, D. D. LL. D., who read a Scripture Lesson and announced as the opening hymn, "O, for a thousand tongues to sing."

The Sacrament of the Lord's Supper was then administered by the Bishop assisted by Presiding Elders W. H. Coffey, G. H. Washington, I. H. White, W. J. Parker. D. A. Ridout, Secretary of the last Conference, called the roll, after which he was re-elected on motion by P. E., W. H. Coffey, with W. H. Thomas and W. C. Dickerson as assistants. J. H. Scott was elected Statistical Secretary with E. H. Webb, James A. Richardson, J. H. B. Hubbard and J. W. Lankford as assistants.

The Bar was fixed at the third window from the altar. Hours of meeting were fixed at 8.30 A. M., for prayer-meeting, with a business session lasting from 9 A. M. to 12 M.

A resolution was offered by Rev. J. H. Riddick, that a committee of five be appointed on finance. Adopted.

The following named were appointed: J. R. Waters, L. Y. Cox, Treasurer, J. H. B. Hubbard, J. H. Mason, G. T. Townsend.

The proposed Rules of Order, by Rev. I. H. White, were referred to the following named brethren: Jos. R. Waters, Thos. S. Als, J. L. Cole.

A resolution was offered by Rev. J. H. Riddick expressing gratitude of the Conference at the selection of Bishop Cyrus D. Foss, D. D. LL. D., to preside.

The motion was adopted by a rising vote. The resolution was responded to by the Bishop.

The Presiding Elder, Rev. W. J. Parker, of the Chestertown District, read his report.

The following effective Elders were called and their characters passed, they reported their collections. J. D. Elbert, W. H. Thomas, C. H. Hutchens, J. S. Willis, J. H. Mason, S. E. Adams, G. W. Young, A. W. Lowber.

Further calling of the Chestertown District was laid over until Thursday morning.

Drafts upon the Chartered Fund for \$30, and the Book Concern for \$104, were ordered. Rev. J. E. Webb was appointed to receive the accounts for the M. E. Book Concern.

Introductions. J. A. B. Wilson, D. D., Presiding Elder of Wilmington Conference, Rev. W. S. Robinson, T. E. Terry, of Wilmington Conference, H. C. Jones, of the Baptist Church.

After the usual notices were read, the Conference adjourned to meet at 3 P. M., in a statistical session. Benediction by the Bishop.

## AFTERNOON SESSION

Was opened at 3 P. M., with Rev. Hooper Jolly in the chair, by appointment of the Bishop. The brethren reported their statistics and collections, after which the doxology was sung and the benediction pronounced.

## EVENING SESSION.

Rev. J. H. Winters preached an able sermon from Jeremiah: "What have I done."

## SECOND DAY—Thursday, April 19th.

The Conference Prayer-meeting began at 8.30 A. M., led by Bro. S. P. Whittington.

The business session began at 9 A. M., with Bishop Foss in the chair. The Secretary read the minutes of the previous sessions, which were approved.

The Statistical Secretary then called the names of the brethren who had not reported their statistics. A resolution on the illness of Dr. Wm. M. Frysinger was read and adopted.

The 20th question was then resumed, the following named brethren of the Chestertown District reported: J. H. Mason, Peter Burroughs, G. M. Landin, J. H. Nutter, D. J. Brittingham, A. Grinnage, W. H. Rogers, M. H. Horsey, W. C. Dickerson, J. H. Winters, Bro. W. J. Parker moved that Bro. A. Grinnage's relation be changed from effective to superannuated, at his own request; carried. The P. Elders were authorized to appoint a committee on memoirs. 10.30 A. M., Saturday, was fixed for reading of memoirs.

Friday, 10.30 A. M. was fixed for the election of delegates to the General Conference. The Conference decided to elect by ballot. The Chair was requested to appoint the tellers. The credentials of Bro. John H. Davis were presented and placed in the Conference Trunk, he having withdrawn from the Methodist Episcopal Church.

G. H. Washington, Presiding Elder of the Dover District, read his report. The following effective Elders of the Dover District were called, characters passed, and reported their collections; G. T. Townsend, Jas. A. Scott, I. H. Johnson, A. Brown, J. E. A. D. Grigsby, D. J. Waters, W. B. Green, J. S. Holly, A. J. Handy, F. J. Lee, D. R. Dunn.

W. H. Coffey, Presiding Elder of the Philadelphia District was called, presented and read a report of his work. The following effective Elders were called, reported their collections, and their characters passed: J. J. Campbell, A. W. Hamilton, J. H. Johnson, B. W. Allen, R. J. Waters, L. Y. Cox, E. H. Webb, Hooper Jolly, K. J. Still, J. H. Riddick, J. C. Carroll, D. A. Ridout, J. E. Webb, J. R. Waters.

The 5th Question was then taken up; "Who are admitted into full connection?" J. H. Scott, Chas. O. Waters, J. H. Griffin, Lewis E. Toulson, J. C. Cole, W. J. Moore.

After the address to the candidates by the Bishop, the candidates answered the regular disciplinary questions, the usual notices were read, and the benediction pronounced by the Bishop.

## INTRODUCTIONS.

Revs. E. W. S. Peck of Washington Conference, Dr. J. Lanahan of Baltimore Conference M. E. Church, A. M. Buckley of A. M. E. Church, J. J. Evans of A. M. E. Church.

Committee on memoirs, H. Jolly, E. E. Parker, J. H. Winters, C. O. Waters.

## FRIDAY, April 20th, 1888.

The Conference prayer-meeting began at 8.30 A. M., led by Bro. N. Morris.



BUSINESS SESSION began at 9 A. M., with Bishop Foss in the chair. MINUTES of the previous session were read, corrected and approved. The Committee of the second year reported Bros. J. H. Scott, C. O. Waters, W. J. Moore, Lewis E. Toulson, J. T. Cole, and J. H. Griffin. as having passed their examinations creditably. They were admitted into full connection and elected to Deacons' orders.

Presiding Elder I. H. White, of the Salisbury District was called, and presented a report of his work.

The following brethren reported their collections, and characters were passed; J. K. Adams, T. M. Hubbard, J. W. Brown, J. H. Pearce, H. T. Rich, N. Morris, W. H. Johnson, T. B. H. Coleman, E. E. Parker, J. H. B. Hubbard, J. Q. Dennis, C. A. Horsey, A. I. Wallace, T. H. Johnson.

3rd Question was taken up, "Who remain on trial?" The following brethren reported their collections and characters passed. the committee on examination having reported favorably, they were continued on trial; J. W. Bond, M. L. McKenny. M. L. McKenny being duly recommended as Local Preacher, was elected to Deacons' orders.

13th. Who are the Travelling Deacons of the Second Class? When the name of W. J. Jackson was called, he was reported as having fallen at his post in great peace.

A collection of \$33.46 was taken for his widow, and paid over to Presiding Elder I. H. White. The committee on examination reported favorably, and J. L. Cole, C. A. Tindly, J. W. Pinkney, and J. R. Brinkly, were advanced to Deacons of Second Class.

14th Question: "What travelling Deacons have been elected Elders?" The following brethren reported their collections, their characters passed, the committee on examination reported favorably, and they were elected to Elders Orders, J. W. Lankford, T. S. Als, J. W. Harman, L. W. Deakins.

The hour having arrived for the election of delegates to the General Conference, the following were appointed tellers. J. R. Waters, J. A. Scott, W. C. Dickerson, J. H. B. Hubbard.

The tellers retired to count the ballots with the secretary. Rev. Jesse Hurlburt was introduced and addressed the Conference on Sunday-school work.

19th. "Who are the superannuated preachers?" J. W. Saunders, Charles Pollett, N. Young, Joshua Brinkly, Isaiah Broughton, S. J. Waters, P. J. Adams, S. P. Whittington, Henry Morris. Their relations were continued.

Question 2nd. Who are admitted on trial? J. W. Cook, C. J. Hall, John H. Accooe, R. H. Coleman, James A. Richardson, T. M. Draper, N. B. Snowden.

The tellers reported on the first ballot, the whole number of votes cast, 80; necessary for choice, 41. W. H. Coffey received 57 votes and was declared elected. No one else receiving a majority vote, a second ballot was taken: whole number of votes cast, 79; necessary to choice, 40. W. H. Thomas received 41 and was declared elected.

A paper was offered by J. H. Riddick touching the needs of Mrs. G. H. Waters and S. P. Whittington: referred to the stewards. The bill of Jas. A. Scott was referred to a committee of three: J. H. Riddick, J. Q. Dennis, W. H. Thomas; which committee was ordered to report to-morrow. B. W. Allen was elected Recording Secretary.

W. C. Dickerson, T. H. Johnson, J. D. Elbert, were appointed a special committee on the deaths of Dr. Curry, Bishop Harris and Dr. Taylor. After the usual notices the benediction was pronounced.

#### INTRODUCTIONS.

Revs. J. Warthman, E. E. White and James Cannon of the Wilmington Conference, and Charles H. Fareira, of A. M. E. Church.

SATURDAY, April 21st, 1888.

Conference Prayer-meeting began at 8.30 A. M. The business session at 9 A. M., with Bishop Foss in the chair.

The minutes of the previous session were read and approved. The following committees reported as follows: "On Education," and special committee on the Delaware Conference Academy, and ordered printed in the minutes: Prof. B. O. Bird, Principal of the Delaware Conference Academy, was introduced and spoke on the needs of the Academy. The Bishop also made a feeling address in the interest of the education of our race.

The report of the Trustees of the C. B. I. was approved, and the Conference pledged itself to raise \$1000 for the erection of an additional building at the Conference Academy.

The Committee on Tract Cause, Bible, Church Extension, were read and adopted.

The Lay Conference was introduced to the Bishop by W. J. Parker, and W. H. Coffey. The delegates were introduced to the Conference; delegates, B. O. Bird, E. L. Briddell; reserves, W. F. Morgan, Emory Nicholas. The Bishop made an able address, touching the harmony that should exist between ministers and laymen.

Wm. Perkins, Esq., responded on behalf of the delegation, after which the Sec. S. G. Waters read a few resolutions that it proposes to forward to the General Conference.

It was ordered that the minutes of the Lay Electoral Conference be published in the minutes.

The hour for reading memoirs was changed from 10.30 to 11 o'clock. Bro. I. H. White offered the following resolution: "That the collections taken for bibles in states or territories where there are no bibles donated, all such collections be held in the Conference treasury for purchase of the same; other collections are to be paid to the American Bible Society.

The Committee on memoirs presented and read their report. The special committee on the deaths of Dr. Curry, Bishop Harris and Dr. Taylor, also read their report. The reports were adopted.

F. B. Clegg, agent of Methodist Episcopal Book Room, Phila., Pa., was introduced and addressed the Conference.

The Daughters of Conference were then ushered in and introduced to the Bishop. Sister Jenkins read the yearly report, and presented to the Conference \$397.00. They were tendered a vote of thanks.

Question 10th was taken up: What preachers have been elected deacons? Curtis Lane, C. J. Hall, J. W. Cook.

Question 16th. No applicants. After the usual notices, the benediction was pronounced by the Bishop.

MONDAY, April 23d, 1888.

Conference was opened at 8 a. m. with Bishop Foss in the chair. Minutes of Saturday's session were read and approved.

The list of subscriptions to the Delaware Conference Academy was ordered to be placed in the minutes.

Question 33, was taken up: "where shall the next Conference be held?" Princess Anne was selected.

G. W. Young's relation was changed from effective to superannuated. A collection of \$16.86 was lifted and paid to P. E., W. J. Parker to aid Brother Young.

On motion, Bro. J. J. Campbell was allowed to withdraw from the ministry and membership of the Methodist Episcopal Church with the understanding that he return his parchments to the Presiding Elder.



The following committees presented reports: Sunday School, Temperance, State of the Church, Resolutions, Freedmen's Aid, Sanctity of the Sabbath. This report was amended, see report. Adopted.

Question 29

What is the statistical report? (See Statistical Report.)

The report of the Finance Committee was adopted. The Conference Stewards reported and made a distribution of the money.

The various committees for 1889 were read.

The transfer of Wm. M. Webb from the Newark Conference, and S. Hammond from the Washington Conference were read.

The Conference expenses were ordered apportioned to the districts as follows: Salisbury District, \$20; Dover, \$25; Philadelphia, \$10.

The resolutions of J. H. Nutter and J. H. Riddick were adopted. (See Resolutions.)

2500 copies of the Minutes were ordered printed. After which the appointments were read, and the Conference closed with doxology; benediction by the Bishop.

D. A. RIDOUT,  
Secretary.

# Anniversaries.

## MISSIONARY SERMON.

THURSDAY EVENING, April 19th.

Was observed as the Missionary Anniversary. Services began with hymn 820. Rev. D. J. Waters led in Prayer. Hymn 747 was sung. Rev. Hooper Jolly was introduced and preached an able sermon from Psalms 51, 13-14. Collection, \$11.00.

## SUNDAY SCHOOL ANNIVERSARY.

FRIDAY AFTERNOON, April 20.

The exercises began with singing from Joyful Wing. Able addresses were made by Revs. Jesse Hurlburt, W. J. Moore and Prof. C. H. Robinson.

## EVENING EXERCISES

Were observed as Freedmen's Aid. Interesting addresses were delivered by Rev. J. H. Nutter and Dr. J. A. B. Wilson.

## DAUGHTERS OF CONFERENCE

Held their anniversary at 3.30 P. M. Saturday. Rev. J. Emory Webb made an excellent address from Gen. II, 18.

## CHURCH EXTENSION.

SATURDAY, 8 P. M.

The speaker of the evening was Rev. Eben E. Parker.

## SUNDAY SERVICES.

Conference Love Feast was opened at 8.30 A. M., led by Bros. N. Young and Henry Morris. It was a time long to be remembered; the Lord graciously poured out the spirit upon the large congregation.

Preaching services began at 10.30 A. M. The Bishop preached at the Opera House, from Romans 8-32. "Being possessed of remarkable descriptive powers, a thorough elocutionist, naturally eloquent and at home with his subject," the speaker gave the large audience a discourse rarely listened to at any Conference session. Thos. S. Als preached in the church at 10.30 A. M.

J. H. Riddick at the Opera House at 3 p. m. M. H. Horsey in the Church at 3 p. m.

D. A. Ridout preached in the Church at 8 p. m.

The Pulpits of the A. M. E. and Baptist Church were filled by the brethren appointed.

The whole day was spent to the glory of God.



## Presiding Elder's Report.

### PHILADELPHIA DISTRICT.

*To the Bishop, fathers and brethren of the Delaware Annual Conference:*

In presenting this my first annual report of the Philadelphia District, I wish first to gratefully acknowledge Almighty God, who is infinite in goodness and mercy, for caring for us this year and bringing us together once more, with our Annual Conference. The health of the brethren and their families, with all exceptions, has been excellent. I found heart-cheering signs of life, foundation-growth, on this district. Bro. White, my predecessor, laid a good manifest credit and deserves credit for the hard and successful work he did. Too much credit cannot be given Dr. Kynett, for the advice given, and the work on this district. He has ever been ready to help the poor and needy. If the work on this district can be properly managed and wisely pushed forward, we will soon have work, but tricks instead of one, and none but a prophet is able to tell the glorious still, God will be done for the Master. We have not been idle, we have not known to God with closed lines, steady steps, and a determination that is only the victory, there soldiers, we have pushed forward and in every engagement won the field ground battles have been many and hard, but victorious. On this part of the field God is nothing but hard fighting and sacrifice. I made the report that every has with head quarters in the field. I thank God that I can report the report, the district has been busy, and every man has worked to the best of his ability, the district has been a very hard year on both ministers and people, yet, thank God, the district will show, perhaps, the best year's work that has ever been done on it all this. In many of the churches the discipline is at a very low par; the name make and is known—one manishbossism rules these churches, and before of change hard, a first class Methodist District, we will have to do a great deal of change, while the drilling, regardless of bread and butter—we are for souls. I have tried, in the break down the evil of preachers and people contracting for appointments, the best evil is a reflection on our grand and glorious itinerant system, the best of the world, of which we are so proud.

### OUR MAIN NEED.

What we need the most on this district is a missionary spirit in both Christ and people to the extent that each will feel that I must bring somebody to the command is, "Go out quickly into the streets and lanes of the city and gather hither the poor, the maimed, and the halt and the blind." No pastor are God-ber has a right to complain of having a small congregation while they are God-ber rounded with so many people on their way to hell—so many to be of the world, holds every member of the church responsible for the salvation

May the time soon come when sky-rocket preaching, conventional praying and sham singing will be done away and we shall have in their stead, the grand truths of the Bible, delivered in a simple way with words all on fire, heart prayers and soul singing.

### OUR MEMBERS.

I find on this district quite a number of members who were nursed at a Methodist breast, rocked in a Methodist cradle, convicted under a Methodist preacher, converted at a Methodist altar, and brought up in a Methodist church, for the want of proper training and pastoral care are now helping to swell other denominations; this ought not to be. I think the time has come when we should have enough of denominational economy to save the results of our labor. I hope our members throughout the Conference will be true Methodists, and so dyed in the wool that when coming north they will not be satisfied until they find their own beloved Zion, and there abide; no matter what the inducements to leave may be. Let all our members when going away take letters; and the pastor of the town or place to which they may go, be notified of their coming.

### SABBATH AND RUM.

If there ever was a time when this glorious country should rise in her might and fight against the wrong, it is now. The devil and his infernal army have combined with the personal liberty-Wiskey League, to destroy our God-given Sabbath and our sanctified homes, by making our country a wilderness, every man a brute and our sanctified homes, by making our country a wilderness, every bugles and muffled drums, but have hoisted high the black flag, and their righteousness and drums are heard all over the land deifying the God of heaven, the rightness of the nation and the fruits of virtue. We cannot and will not give up our Sabbath. The Sabbath was made for man; his body needs it, his mind needs it, and his spirit needs it. The Sabbath is a necessity, and the man that lives without it cuts short his days, destroys his mind, and darkens his home. But let the black host rage, for those whom the Gods would destroy they first make mad. Thank God the Supreme Court has sounded the key note of victory. Let the people of this country rise by millions, let God's trumpets sound the alarm in Zion, and let the whole Christian army fall in line and charge the enemy, King Alcohol, and the "Personal Liberty League;" yes, smite them with your sermons, with your prayers, with the press, and with your vote. The call of General Jesus is, To arms, to arms, to arms! ye soldiers of the cross.

### SUNDAY SCHOOL.

The Sunday schools are in a pretty good condition and many children are being added. Both pastors and members are spending much time in leading the children to Christ and making them bright lights in this dark wilderness. Earnest attention is given to the Child-army which is being marshaled for the future conquest of the world. A little while from now, and the saints on earth and the saints in heaven and all the angelic host of heaven and the army of Jesus at their head, shall hear these victors—these conquerors with General Jesus at their head, making the world ring with the triumphant shout,

All hail! the age of crime and suffering ends;

The reign of righteousness from heaven descends.

Ring out the darkness of the land,

Ring in the Christ that is to be.

### STATIONS AND CIRCUITS.

Port Deposit, J. C. Carrol, pastor. This charge is in tolerable good condition both spiritually and financially; the pastor has worked very hard and has made many friends, both white and colored. A grand work has been done; the Middlestown, L. W. Deakins, pastor. A grand work has been done; the



meetings are well attended and spiritual; everything is moving on nicely; a nice parsonage has been built at the cost of \$1,000.

Odessa, R. J. Waters, pastor. The religious condition is very encouraging, the means of grace are well attended. The debt has been reduced and the people wonderfully inspired.

Delaware City, R. H. Coleman, Supply, has almost accomplished a phenomenon; he found the people few in number and very much discouraged; everything looked hopeless, but, thank God, the acorn has become an oak and is in a flourishing condition. A new church has been built and paid for; congregation increased and some members added to the church.

New Castle, J. H. Scott, Pastor. This charge is in a good spiritual and financial condition. The debt on the New Castle church is paid, and many converts added; the faithful and earnest pastor has made an impression for God among the people that will not soon be forgotten.

Wilmington Circuit, D. A. Ridout, pastor. This charge is grandly marching forward with victory inscribed on all of her banners. Good seed has been sown, tillage faithful, and a good harvest reaped; the pastor can be depended on for good work.

S. Wilmington, W. J. Hudson, Supply. Very faithful work has been done; good congregations; outlook hopeful.

Ezion, Wilmington, J. R. Waters, pastor. This is a strong, influential church; highly spiritual and is in a sound financial condition; debt reduced from \$11,000 to \$9,000. The people here enjoy the religion of our Lord Jesus Christ, and love the Methodist Episcopal church. The pastor has worked hard in drilling the people and has been successful in every department of the church. The people love him and desire his return.

Haven, Philadelphia, K. J. Still, pastor. This charge has made some advancement in spiritual and financial interest; the people are true and liberal; the pastor has worked hard and has had some success. The place is diseased, and death is written on the door, and the only way of escape is to move to another locality.

Frankford, E. H. Webb, pastor. The spiritual, financial, and moral tone of this church is rising; the membership is small, but willing; congregations large; the pastor has been very successful, and is beloved by every body.

Mt. Zion, B. W. Allen, pastor. This charge is in flourishing condition; and advancement has been made all along the line; moving forward with grand and renewed strength; the pastor has worked hard, and loves the work of his calling.

Merchantsville, J. H. Johnson, pastor. This charge has greatly improved; the people all large hearted and liberal. The pastor has worked day and night to push forward the work, and he has been successful. He knows how to keep his people busy.

Chester, A. W. Hamilton, pastor. This is an important field; a good year's work done; debt reduced; substantial and Methodistic harmony in all departments of the church. The pastor closes three years of hard and successful work with the blessings of God, and the good will of the people.

Mt. Holly, J. L. Cole, pastor. I found this church almost helplessly in debt and discouraged, but this heroic little band with a resolute captain went forth crying, "It is not for conquerors to be tired," and in a few months raised over \$800, on the debt; all they want is a chance. I found it necessary to unite this church with Scott.

Scott. This church has had two pastors this year; the first, J. J. Campbell, who in a few months, for a very good cause, and according to my advice, resigned the charge. The second was, J. L. Cole, the present pastor; under this brother's pastorate a resurrection has taken place; membership revived; forty-five members added; congregation restored and increased; money has been provided by the church extension to pay for the present church, or to build a new one. Scott Church is safe and I feel like singing, "Praise God from whom all blessings flow."

Spring Lake and Atlantic City, T. M. Draper, supply. At Spring Lake, the deed has been secured, the church dedicated and the debt paid. At Atlantic City, the membership has increased from (15) fifteen to forty-five; the congregation increased, and a neat little church built; the out-look is promising in every respect.

Germantown, H. Jolly, pastor. This church has risen to a higher religious life; has taken a deep hold on the community and a hopeful spirit is prevalent in Sunday-school, in church, and in the home; debt is paid and the church is in a splendid condition; there is harmony in every department. Bro. Jolly is an able pastor and any church is safe in his hands.

Salem, J. E. Webb, pastor. A gracious revival has quickened this church; she is in better condition than last year; the people are noble and true to their church; the pastor is faithful, and has worked to the best of his ability with some degree of success; the outlook is hopeful.

Bridgeton, T. S. Als, pastor. This circuit has wonderfully advanced and is in first-class condition; indications of new life are seen every where on the circuit; a new mission has been opened in Bridgeton, the thing we have desired for so many years; noble pastor and noble people; always ready and willing, and never say, cannot.

Bainbridge, L. Y. Cox, pastor. A splendid year's work has been done; spiritual progress is manifested in all directions; floating debt nearly all paid and \$500 paid on the bond-debt. Bro. Cox, is an able preacher, one of our best pastors and is as true as steel.

Cape May Circuit, J. A. Richardson, supply. This charge has had a new birth; wonders have been done; the impossible has become the possible, and the future before him.

Cape May Station, C. A. Tindley, pastor. About ten months ago this brother was removed from S. Wilmington, and sent to Cape May without a house for his family, without a member to welcome him, and without a church to preach in, but since then, thank God, he has bought a beautiful and commodious church worth over \$3,000 for \$2,200, and the debt is reduced to about \$1,000. He now has about forty members and a congregation of about 600. These members average \$33 per member. All things being equal, a more heroic band of members can hardly be found. This church is alive, and has a great future before her; the pastor is well cared for; he can safely say, "I seek not yours, but you;" his watchword was, "Conquer or die." Well done heroic pastor, heroic people. Much credit and many thanks are due Rev. Manchester of our church at this place and his people, for their noble assistance.

Zoar, Phila., J. H. Riddick, pastor. This church has a commanding position; vigorous and strong in the best and truest sense; progressive and aggressive; a well organized force for God, and under a general who knows how to command the armies of the Lord. This church has had a prosperous year in every respect; every interest of the church has been cared for; the debt has been reduced to \$600; the church is in a better condition than ever before; she is too small to accommodate the congregation. Bro. Riddick is the popular preacher of Phila., and his return is desired by both white and colored; he is all success.

The educational condition of our people is much better than it was a few years ago.

- Financial conditions, improving.
- Moral condition, improving.
- Spiritual condition, improving.
- Number of converts, 350.
- Number of Pastoral visits, 3,500.
- Number of classes formed for religious instructions.



## BENEVOLENT AND OTHER COLLECTIONS.

Mission, \$828; increase, \$314.  
 Church Extension, \$203; increase, \$73.  
 Freedmen's Aid, \$130; increase, \$18.  
 Education, \$251; increase, \$61.  
 Bible, \$22; increase, \$5.  
 Sunday School Union, \$22.  
 Tract, \$22; increase, \$6.  
 Episcopal, \$147; increase \$27.  
 Endowment, \$125.  
 Church Aid, \$61.  
 Sustentation, \$43; increase, \$13.  
 General Conference, \$36.  
 Conference Claimants, \$221; increase, \$88.

We are not tired and shall return to our field of labor prepared to work harder and win more victories. We are waiting like Wolf at Quebec, to hear the joyful cry, they fly! they fly! they fly! Who? the enemies of Christ and the church; then and not until then are we ready to say, let us depart in peace. I would rather belong to the christian army on earth, helping to take the world for Christ than to be psalm singing in heaven. Yes, I want to see the world captured for Christ, the devil defeated, and holiness stamped on the hearts of all men.

I love thy church, O God!  
 Her walls before thee stand,  
 Dear as the apple of thine eye,  
 And graven on thy hand.  
 For her my tears shall fall,  
 For her my prayers ascend;  
 To her my cares and toils be given  
 Till toils and cares shall end.

W. H. COFFEY.

## DOVER DISTRICT.

*To the Bishop and members of the Delaware Annual Conference:*  
 Dear Fathers and brethren, with unlimited gratitude to Almighty God, I am thankful that I have been spared to submit the following as my fourth annual report of the Dover District.

While the lives of all the pastors have been spared, several of them have suffered physically. My brethren labored faithfully this year, and yet there remains room for improvement. We have been in the midst of grand revivals, which have added 362 persons to the church. The subject of missions has been fairly set before the people, with other benevolent causes; each has had our prompt attention. Having been visited with an unusually hard winter, we shall come short of our expectation; yet the pastors do expect to have something after all, even more than they have had any previous year.

Education among our people is being more appreciated. In the bounds of this District there are 62 day schools, with about 3005 scholars, and 1379 are in the State of Delaware. In this State the parents of the scholars support the schools, while the State pays \$3120 for the support of the teachers. The children of these schools are taxed 5 cents per week to make up the deficiency; these are some of the pull backs not common to all.

This District may be termed the infant District, having been but four years in existence; also it was made up of the fragments of three Districts, and is in no wise equal to the others, although it is thought to be; but the appointments made by the appointing power of our church in their many appeals, fully confirm my statement. Four years ago the work consisted of 14 pastoral

charges, with 53 churches, 3218 members, 57 S Schools, and 11 parsonages, and gave the sum of \$209.75 for missions and other causes.

But to-day we are far in the advance, having 21 pastors, 58 churches, 12 of which are new, 3733 members, 63 S Schools, and 12 parsonages, and our collections will be at least 75 per cent. better.

## DISTRICT REPORT.

Townsend, Rev. F. J. Lee, pastor. He and his people have repaired two of their churches, and paid for the same. Work is in good condition, collections good.

Smyrna—Rev. J. W. Langford, pastor. This is a small station and he and his people are laboring under an old debt; they are few, but willing workers. They need assistance; collections medium.

Dover Circuit—Rev. J. R. Brinkley, pastor. He and his people are getting along finely, and are preparing to build a parsonage; collections full.

Dover Station—Rev. A. Brown, pastor. The church at this point has undergone considerable change for the accommodation of the Conference; the pastor and people deserve much credit for what they have already accomplished, although they are still in debt.

Milford—Rev. D. J. Waters, pastor. Notwithstanding the ill health of the pastor he with his people has accomplished much good. There have been many added to the church. Two of the churches have been repaired and paid for; collections good.

Slaughter Neck—Rev. A. J. Handy, pastor. He and his people have done great work. They have repaired one church and nearly completed a new one; collections good.

Nassau—Rev. Wm. B Green, pastor; has been in the midst of a glorious revival with some added to the church; some improvements have been made on the work; collections medium.

Lewis and Rehoboth—Rev. T. M. Cole, pastor. He and his people have been blessed with spiritual showers, which softened the hearts of some of the aged, and brought them within the walls of the church; collections good.

Bridgeville—Rev. G. T. Townsend, pastor. He has completed a new church, and has the same paid for. The circuit is improving under his administration; he is the right man in the right place; collections good.

Federalsburg—This charge for two years has been supplied by C. J. Hall; his untiring efforts have proved a success to the church, both spiritually and financially. Many have been added to the church, and in the midst of many, was a deaf and dumb man who was soundly converted to God. Both churches on this charge have been repaired and paid for. He is a good worker. Collections full.

Seaford—Rev. J. S. Holley, pastor. There has been one new church added to this charge. The work spiritually is alive, but not so good financially. Owing to the sickness of the pastor, the work has been greatly impeded; collections medium.

Laurel—Rev. J. E. A. D. Grigsby, pastor. He took sick soon after coming to this charge, also his wife, and in a few months the work was behind; but since gaining health he and his people have struggled earnestly; the pastor's report will speak favorably.

East New Market—Rev. C. O. Waters, pastor. From some unknown cause this charge has not done much this year, although the pastor seems anxious to see the church do well. Collections medium.

Vienna—Rev. D. R. Dunn, pastor. This charge for three years has been in the act of building three churches, the pastor and people are laboring earnestly to succeed. Bro. Dunn lost his only daughter by death, which affliction he and his family greatly felt, notwithstanding, he has done well. See pastor's report.



Airyes—This charge was supplied by C. Earles, and I am glad to say it is progressing finely. He is the Conference Missionary Worker. Collections good.

Cambridge Station—Rev. J. A. Scott, pastor. He and his people are doing well as can be expected; collections full.

Cambridge Circuit—Rev. John H. Griffin, pastor. He and his people have not done so well this year. They have been trying for three years to build, and have \$300 in bank, and now the work stands still; collections medium.

Church Creek—Rev. I. H. Johnson, pastor. This charge has completed a new church, and paid for the same. The pastor and people are succeeding finely; collections good.

Madison—Rev. J. H. Harmon, pastor. He and his people are improving; a new church is being built, and a mission organized, and the ground is bought on which to build a house; collections good.

Golden Hill—At the Conference this charge was supplied; he stayed two months; he was then succeeded by Curtis Lane, who has done a great work; he was successful in getting lumber to build a church on Hooper's Island, and has paid for the same. He has a good report for the charge.

#### BENEVOLENT COLLECTIONS.

For Missions, \$276.00; for Freedman's Aid, \$30.50; for education, \$20; total 84.75; for Tract, \$8.12; for Church Extension, \$33.50; for S. S. Union, \$10.50; for Endowment, \$34.25; Bible, \$7.45; other collections good.

Now in regard to myself; I have traveled 7859 miles, and tried to preach 109 times; held 82 conferences; attended 30 love-feasts; baptized 24 children, and changed beds 187 times.

#### A SUMMARY OF FOUR YEARS' WORK.

This ends my sixteenth year as one of the self-sacrificing members of the Delaware Annual Conference; never chosen, but willingly receiving whatever intrusted to my care. I have always striven to do my best, and yet I have done nothing to boast of, but much to thank God for. My health has been good; I have lost in all but eight Sundays; my delinquencies were caused for 5 Sundays by sickness, and 3 by storms. I have traveled 23917 miles, tried to preach 412 times, visited 130 love-feasts, held 293 conferences, baptized 139 children, organized 3 churches.

Unto him that giveth us all things, richly be the praise.

G. H. WASHINGTON.

#### CHESTERTOWN DISTRICT.

To the Bishop and members of the Delaware Annual Conference, now in session at Whatcoat M. E. Church, Dover, Del.

Dear Fathers and Brethren:—I am thankful I am spared to present this, my third report, though I am still in the midst of affliction. My daughter is still an invalid, and, aside from her chronic troubles, has been confined to her room and bed for more than a month. But I am trying to rest in the Lord and wait patiently for him.

Rev. J. D. Elbert, J. H. Mason, Wm. H. Thomas, G. M. Landin, and S. E. Adams, have been sick, but have fully recovered. Bro. Thomas lost one of his little children. Bro. Lowber lost his eldest child, a very interesting girl about 12 years of age. Rev. A. Grinnage lost a grandson. With these exceptions all have gotten along well.

The seasons have been, I think, a little better for the laboring class the past year than the previous year, until the blizzard, which hindered some of the brethren from having as full reports as we had expected, but we think they will be better than last year.

#### EDUCATION.

Many of our people are making all the sacrifice they can to have their children educated, but the school terms are so short, and the teacher's pay so small, that there is not as rapid progress on this line as we would like to see. Again, in many places they have such poor school houses it seems a wonder how they advance at all. There are within the bounds of the district, 64 schools and 66 teachers, with an average salary of \$150.80 per annum. Out of this meagre salary they pay for their board and washing.

#### TEMPERANCE.

I do not believe the temperance cause is making very rapid strides. There are still a few of our people who think it no harm to take a dram, but we propose to keep striking till we bruise the serpent's head.

#### OUR WOMEN.

The females of our church make splendid officers, and will wonderfully help in the benevolent work if they are given a chance. We hope to have good reports from those representing the Daughters of Conference.

#### CHURCH AND BENEVOLENT WORK.

Talbot Circuit, under the pastorate of Rev. M. L. McKenny, has done well. Conversions 19, accessions 17, insurance on church property, \$2000. Bro. McKenny has done a good work, and is a promising young man.

Pomona Circuit, Rev. Peter Burrows, pastor, has three schools, two of which are organized into missionary societies. Two churches insured for \$600; pastoral visits made, 80. Conversions, 6. Accessions, 6.

St. Michaels Circuit, of which Rev. D. J. Brittingham has closed his third year with much satisfaction to all, has five Sunday Schools, four of which are organized into missionary societies. Conversions, 72. Accessions, 114. One church insured for \$1000.

Centreville charge has two Sunday Schools, one of which is organized into a missionary society. Methodist literature is used in the schools. Conversions, 30. Accessions 24. One church insured for \$1200. Rev. J. D. Elbert is pastor, and has done a good year's work.

Skipton charge has very much improved under the pastoral care of Rev. N. B. Snowden, a local preacher, who has worked very hard, made 75 pastoral visits, had 31 conversions, and 25 accessions. Bro. Snowden is already a deacon, and has a wife and one child.

Royal Oak Circuit has done well this year. Rev. J. W. Bond has labored with much success. Pastoral visits made, 95. Conversions 15.

Crumpton charge has 4 schools; two are organized into missionary societies. Rev. J. S. Willis has succeeded finely. Pastoral visits made, 55. Conversions 22. Churches insured, 3 for \$1500.

H. Winters. Pastoral visits made 63. Conversions 34. Accessions 37. Insurance on property \$1508. Amount raised for improving church and parsonage property \$326.66.

Greensborough Charge has done better this year than any time since I have been on this District. Rev. J. W. Cook, a local preacher, is pastor. Pastoral visits, 75. Conversions, 29. Accessions, 27. Raised for improving church and parsonage property, \$123.

Galena Circuit has four Sunday schools; two are organized into missionary societies; Presidents, H. E. Scott and Isaac Tilghman, P. O., Galena, Md. Methodist literature used in the schools. Conversions, 14. Accessions, 14. Raised for improvement of church and parsonage property, \$504.55. One church insured for \$700. They have finished the parsonage, the finest in the Conference,



insured for \$800. In addition to the above they have built a very good school house at one point.

Rev. Walter J. Moore, the pastor, has been on the work two years and has been faithful, to the great credit of himself, the Conference, and the people he serves.

Fairlee Charge has five Sunday schools, all organized into missionary societies. Rev. Silas E. Adams, the pastor, has made 100 pastoral visits, had 10 conversions and 6 accessions. One church insured for \$1,000. He has built a very neat parsonage; paid on same, \$390. It is insured for \$700. Bro. Adams is succeeding finely and is always in a good humor. He can be placed beside our best young men for work.

Millington Charge—Here Rev. A. W. Lowber has had a pretty hard time for the last two years owing to some misrepresentations, but withal there are some very good people among the laymen.

Some of the officials who are opposed to benevolence have either worked against the pastor or treated the work with indifference. The Stewards also have not done their duty in trying to raise money for the ministry, and one of them openly avowed he would not work by the plan laid down in the discipline. But, through all these hinderances, Bro. Lowber has worked hard and accomplished something. One Sunday school, organized into a missionary society. Conversions, 8. Accessions, 4. Pastoral visits made, 205. Church insured for \$575. Amount raised for improving church and parsonage property, \$175. The charge has new Stewards and we shall look for a better state of things in ministerial report next year.

Queenstown is a new circuit made last year by taking one church from Kent Island and two from Centreville. It has three Sunday Schools all organized into missionary societies and using our own literature. Rev. G. M. Landin is the pastor. Pastoral visits, 300. Conversions, 18. Accessions, 16. Two churches insured for \$1000. Raised for improving church property \$225. Bro. Landin is doing a good work and the officials are anxious to have him return.

Easton Station—Rev. J. H. Mason pastor; has succeeded finely this year. It has one Sunday School organized into a missionary society, and among the best on the district. Our own literature is used. Pastoral visits, 129. Conversions, 68. Accessions, 80. Insurance on church, \$4,500. On parsonage, \$100. Raised for improving church and parsonage property, \$147.55. Bro. Mason is considered one of the best financiers of the Conference.

Chestertown Station has done as she always does; succeeded and is in advance in a financial direction, of any charge on the district. It has a good Sunday School organized into a missionary society and using our own literature. Rev. Wm. H. Thomas is pastor and has done a good year's work; made 230 pastoral visits, and had 7 accessions. The church is well insured. Raised for improving church property, \$1238.75. Bro. Thomas is so well known he needs no eulogy.

Kent's Island charge has three S. schools, two of which are organized into missionary societies. The pastor, Rev. Wm. H. Rogers, has made 20 pastoral visits and had 15 conversions. There are three churches on the circuit, \$59.00 and \$245.00. Raised for improving church and parsonage property, \$1200. Still Pond has four Sunday Schools. They are organized into missionary societies, and use Methodist literature. Pastoral visits, 450. Conversions, 50. Accessions, 45. Two churches insured for \$3000. Amount raised for improving churches and parsonage property, \$1470. Rev. W. C. Dickerson, is an earnest worker, and is succeeding finely.

Church Hill Circuit has three Sunday Schools, all organized into missionary societies. Conversions this year, 20. Accessions, 20. Two churches insured for \$1680. Amount raised for improvement of church and parsonage property, \$200. Rev. Charles H. Hutchins is pastor, and there is a strong petition for his return.

Sassafras Circuit is a very poor charge. The pastor has been sick the most of the year, and besides, he is one of the old veterans: namely, Rev. A. Grinnage,

and considers himself no longer able to do the work, and desires his relation changed from effective to the superannuated. He has had 10 conversions and 10 accessions.

Denton Circuit has five Sunday Schools, four of which are organized into missionary societies, and use Methodist literature. Conversions, 20. Accessions, 5. Churches insured two for \$600. Amount raised for improving church and parsonage property \$75.00. Rev. M. H. Horsey is the pastor.

Marydel charge has not done so well, owing to the feeble health of the pastor. No. of pastoral visits, 75. Conversions, 25. Accessions, 10. Two churches insured for \$1300. G. W. Young, pastor.

## RECAPITULATION.

Mission.....	\$ 648 00
Church Extension.....	94 00
Freedman's Aid.....	117 00
Endowment.....	90 00
Delaware Academy.....	75 00
Education.....	34 00
Sunday School Union.....	19 00
Bible.....	18 00
Tract.....	18 00
Sustentation.....	16 00
General Conference.....	89 45
Support of Annual Conference.....	40 13
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	\$1208 58.
Conference Claimants.....	\$ 137 00
Episcopal Fund.....	95 00

Respectfully submitted,

W. J. PARKER, P. E.

## SALISBURY DISTRICT.

TO GOD BE THE GLORY.

*Dearly beloved Bishop, Ministers and Members*—One year ago the Salisbury District, which begins with the lower part of Sussex County, Del., holding about two hundred of our people, taking in Wicomico, Somerset and Worcester Counties, Md., Accomac and Northampton, Va., bordering on the east by the Atlantic Ocean, on the west by the Chesapeake Bay, from a width of 50 miles gradually sharpening down to Cape Charles, a distance of 100 miles, with 19,000 of these peculiar people, in possession of 63 church edifices, in 22 charges with 4333 members, 709 probationers 63 Sunday schools, 558 officers and teachers, 3662 scholars. All of this space and contents was left in the care of 21 men, earnest and honest workmen for God, superintending with your humble servant, subject to the instructions of Bishop Hurst.

Guarded by the infinite God, in this so called solitude land, we have lived and worked, being previously known to some by the name of Potter's Field, we went there solemnly impressed that we were to inhabit a place of poor living, a speedy mortality and a free inhumation; while the latter is right, and to our advantage partially true, the former is, also to our advantage, untrue. It is a climate productive to life strength and stay; in proof of this, the first congregation we met numbered 150; it was a country church; in the morning, there were 20 of that number between 3 and 5 score years, and in like manner I find the advantage of long life revealed over the District, with but three exceptions. From one charge of (300) three hundred members, only one member has died during the



year, and that at the good age of one hundred and one years, one month and 22 days.

We have the honor of being a resident of the modern Salisbury, situated in a neat and cheerful parsonage owned by the District. This is due to the energetic efforts of my predecessors. Our town for traveling and business facilities is second only to our large cities. It equals any in quality and prices of wood, iron and dry-goods ware. With these inviting remarks, we now speak of the work and workmen.

Workmen, these souls immortal, have tramped through a scorching summer and freezing winter; they have toiled assiduously. Their fightings in this militant have been many, hard and various kinds, such as heat and hurricane, cold and poverty, sickness and death. As reported, 92 members have died on the field, falling with sword in hand and faces Zionward.

Of the Pastors, Rev. John H. Holland died, a champion, on Nov. 14 1887; a memorial will be read by Rev. E. E. Parker.

Nanticoke was supplied by Rev. Mitchel Jones, a local preacher on that charge; they have done well under the circumstances.

At Quantico Rev. Wm. J. Jackson, who has worked liked David for eight months slaying the giant evils and building up Zion; but alas, his useful life was weakened by affliction over three months ago.

Rev. Henry Morris has been merging through affliction. Since July 28, first himself, then one of his sons, next his dear wife, who was relieved by death in February 17th; memorial by Rev. T. H. Johnson.

Rev. S. G. Waters has had poor health during the winter. Adams has been a little angel from the bosom and home of Rev. Jas. K. Adams has been taken to its home via death.

At Horntown, Rev. N. Morris, the pastor, his wife and her mother have both been afflicted so that he has had the house work to do for a considerable time; we are thankful to learn that they are better and the work goes on smoothly.

#### DEALS ISLAND

Was supplied by Rev. J. H. Accooe; the financial condition is good. Three churches commenced last year are being completed and will dedicate free of debt. The church extension has aided each by donation of one hundred dollars; the pastor has not had his family with him. His wife has been sick all the year at her home in Atlantic City, N. J. With these exceptions, health has generally prevailed. Of the local ranks, we have lost two noble spokesmen, viz. Isaac Collins, of Kingston Circuit, and W. H. Cornish, of Salisbury Circuit.

The circumstances of the people, in some places are distressingly poor, especially where they depend wholly upon catching and trading oysters, which has proved a failure for the last two seasons. This, with the lamented loss of life and property in the last month, has left many of our people helpless, for this reason; the very meagre support of the pastor will doubtless be short. The estimates only from six hundred as a maximum, down to two hundred dollars. We have four new societies, with three others waiting, yet what we have are suffering. For want of due consideration by the general missionary society, it appears that the reports of Presiding Elders as ordered by the church, touching the condition of the missions on their respective districts, that of ours is either regarded as untrue, or other ways unworthy of confidence. Our people are the least, the poor of our work are oppressed with all of this. To say benevolent as far as they know; they ought to be and should be taught to save, so as to apply to and support the right cause. There are but few it any that have any clear income, yet they give largely of their gross earnings. I know of several persons that gave all they had for mission. Intemperance, this demon, in company with prejudice, holds on like rocks and roots in hard ground; they retard the progress of our gospel plough.

In the midst of life we have death: here a telegraph comes bearing the sad

news, that Rev. William J. Jackson, died on the 15th ult, at 10 a. m. "The Lord gave and the Lord hath taken away."

Our public school facilities are poor, the houses are wanting for neatness and taste, they are too small for comfort, all are low, and without a healthy ventilation. The State of Maryland has granted an additional appropriation of twenty-five thousand dollars, through the earnest efforts of Mr. Wm. Perkins and others, which we think will aid in the next school year, yet that same Legislature did all in their power to sustain black immorality and succeeded. Now on our part we submissively state to you what we have done. Chincoteague was connected with Stockton Circuit, Rev. A. J. Wallace in charge. For all statistics, take minutes and look under the table; the Lord hath done great things for us, whereof we are glad." Improvements during the year are as follows: Black Water has a mission at Whaleyville, for which they have bought and fitted up a house at a cost of three hundred dollars; Berlin has furnished their pulpit, and neatly painted the church outside, and paid for the same; here we have a mission; Berlin Circuit has creditably remodeled Seeder Chapel; Snow Hill paid an old debt, which was against the Sunday School, and have organized a lyceum under the instruction of the pastor and wife, which reflects credit upon our people in the town, and they set as an assembly against intemperance. We dedicated a new church near Parksley, Va., on Lemont charge last July; three societies of Daughters of Conference have been organized on Horntown Circuit. At Fairmount we have torn down the old parsonage, and rebuilt a commodious six room house, and paid for it, and paid their current expenses monthly. Jamestown was supplied by Rev. R. H. Boggs; he has given perfect satisfaction; they have finished and dedicated the new church at Westover, in the midst of a gracious revival and many accessions to the church; we have built a parsonage at Marion, and bought ground for a church; at Crisfield we had a spirit of disinclination and a jumbo of a debt to contend with in the beginning, but glad to say now, we are in perfect harmony, and the debt is reduced. PRINCESS ANNE. At this place God has seemingly verified his promise most clear, "that he will overturn until whose right it is, shall come; for the oppression of the poor, for the sighing of the needy, now will I arise, saith the Lord; I will set him in safety, from him that puffeth at him." Here we have in the place of a slave pen, a seminary, for a human slaughter house, a synagogue. First, the Conference Academy; God has owned this work. Mr. Goutcher has given it another push and it goes ahead grandly through the agency of the matchless Prof. B. O. Bird. Rev. T. H. Johnson will speak of the Academy by request, as we have not space to give what it deserved. Next the church on the site of the old prison has been completed; a modern beauty with a bell that guides the town; the dedication was postponed for want of completion at the time appointed. Best of all, over a hundred souls have been converted and added to the church. FRUITLAND. The pastor of this charge, like Nehemiah, stays on the wall; they have two new churches enclosed and a mission under way. Salisbury has organized a most promising mission for which a neat little edifice has been erected at a cost of five hundred dollars. Church Extension gave \$150. The pastors and people together on this work, are determined that the glorious gospel of the blessed God shall have free course, run and be glorified, in sowing what was committed to our care. We report 3216 pastoral visits, found 12822 people, 8824 children, 230 free-holders, with probable value of \$472,181, converts 800; we have completed five new church edifices, seven yet building, two in repair, two new parsonages; with all of this, our collections are equally full, and many of them in advance of any previous year. In this way we have lived down the past; should God give us the future, we solicit your prayers that we may be more faithful to execute judgment, and seek the truth.

Respectfully submitted,  
I. H. WHITE.



## 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.G. Andrews	Wesley J. Parker.
9th.	1872	Whatcoat, Dover.	L. Scott E.G. Andrews	Hooper Jolley.
10th.	1873	Asbury, Easton.	Edmund S. Janes.	Hooper Jolley.
11th.	1874	Ezion, Wilmington.	Matthew Simpson.	Wesley J. Parker.
12th.	1875	Ebenezer, Snow Hill	Edmund S. Janes.	Wesley J. Parker.
13th.	1876	Zoar, Philadelphia.	Edmund S. Janes.	G. H. Waters.
14th.	1877	Janes, Chestertown.	Levi Scott.	George H. Waters.
15th.	1878	Union, St. Michaels.	Wm. 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.	A. R. Shockley.
19th.	1882	C. Wesley, Centreville	Randolph S. Foster.	A. R. Shockley.
20th.	1883	Ezion, Wilmington.	E. G. Andrews.	H. A. Monroe.
21st.	1884	Asbury, Easton.	C. H. Fowler.	H. A. Monroe.
22nd.	1885	J. Wesley, Salisbury	Randolph S. Foster	H. A. Monroe.
23rd.	1886	Bainbridge St. Phila	S. M. Merrill.	D. A. Ridout.
24th.	1887	Janes, Chestertown.	John F. Hurst.	D. A. Ridout.
25th.	1888	Whatcoat, Dover.	Cyrus D. Foss.	

### NECROLOGY OF THE CONFERENCE.

NAME.	RECEIVED.	DIED.	RES. AT TIME OF DEATH.
Wilmore S. Elsey,	1864	1867	Cambridge, Md.
James Davis,	1864	1871	Philadelphia, Pa.
Frost Pollett,	1864	1872	Salisbury, Md.
Samuel Dale,	1864	1872	Middletown, Del.
George 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 Tiighman,	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.
George H. Waters,	1874	1882	Smyrna, Del.
Isaac Hinson,	1865	1883	Haddonfield.
Harrison D. Webb,	1883	1883	Preston, Md.
Williams Phillips,	1865	1884	Fowling Creek, Md.
Philip Kennedy,	1865	1885	Marydel, Md.
George E. Snead,	1883	1885	Monie, Md.
Charles Ash,	1872	1885	Townsend, Del.
Wm. F. Butler,	1871	1886	Wilmington, Del.
Benj. Gibbs,	1864	1886	Wilmington, Del.
John H. Holland,	1866	1887	Federalburg, Md.
Charles Wing,	1865	1887	Oxford, Md.
William J. Jackson.	1885	1888	E. New Market, Md.

## MEMOIRS.

BISHOP WILLIAM LOGAN HARRIS, D. D. LL. D.

O! How are the mighty fallen! When the roll is called at our ensuing General Conference, which is to be held in May 1888, three of the grandest, greatest, and best men of our great church, will not answer. A silence will pervade that assembly, until broken by a voice from Heaven saying: Blessed are the dead who die in the Lord, yea, saith the spirit; for they rest from their labors, and their good work doth follow them. From the echo of that voice we write the lamentable facts, that the following are dead. Bishop William Logan Harris, D. D. LL. D., died at his late residence in the city of New York.

WHEREAS, We, the members of the Delaware Conference in assembly, are called upon to show our esteem and high appreciation of this great man of God, and, whereas, in the Divine plan, all must die,

*Resolved*, That in the death of Bishop W. L. Harris, we lost one of the greatest, and best men in church or State. And though dead yet he speaketh. In the United States, he speaks from the circuit courts of every county, to the supreme court of these United States. He lives, and speaks in the church he loved so well, and served so faithfully; from the official board of our church, in every land below the skies; and among all people; and from thence has guided them up, up, and on, higher and higher. Yes he speaks in this Conference to-day; he speaks on every subject of church government and polity. He will speak in the ensuing General Conference, and only the trump of God, that will bring the dead to life, will silence him in the church militant; and then only to break out afresh and anew around the throne of God in Heaven, when we shall meet to part no more.

*Resolved*, That our loss is his infinite and eternal gain, and we will cherish his memory, and revere his name, until we, like him, are called by death to stand before the King; farewell, until we meet you in the sweet by and by.

Servant of God well done,  
Thy glorious warfare is passed,  
The battle is fought, the victory won,  
And thou art crowned at last.

REV. DANIEL CURRY, D. D. LL. D.

A prince has fallen in Israel, and had a star fallen of the first magnitude, it could not, nor would not be missed more. While Bishop Wm. L. Harris, was our law giver; and Dr. Taylor, our Moses; Dr. Curry, was our prophet.

Dr. Daniel Curry, lived, as we have heard him say, to see the events come to pass that he predicted should come to pass. But in order to bring it about, he worked, watched, and prayed, and the gentle touch of his pen helped to shake this continent from centre to circumference, and loosening the fetters from 4,000,000 of slaves, sent them shouting all up and down this land, and even to the pearly gates of the Heavenly New Jerusalem.

*Resolved*, That both church and country is better by his having lived; we give God all the glory, for giving this dark world, such grand men as Dr. Curry, and Dr. Taylor. But alas some of our stars are fallen. But are these men dead? No! No! they are not dead; they have only gone to report to the great King of kings.

And we have *Resolved*, to catch up those banners, and bear them to the breeze, although wet with our tears, and stained with blood, we will bear them to the Throne of God.



When that illustrious day shall rise,  
And all thy armies shine,  
In robes of victory through the skies,  
The glory shall be thine.

**REV. MARSHALL W. TAYLOR, D. D.,**

Is gone; he died in Louisville, Ky., Sept. 1888. He was born of free parents in Lexington, Ky., July 1st, 1846; his opportunity for education was limited, in Kentucky, but there were schools for free colored children, and these he attended, but having that thirst for knowledge that is peculiar to our race, he sought wider privileges in the neighboring states of Ohio and Indiana. At the age of seventeen years he was converted, and after some years of teaching entered the ministry. He was first a missionary in the southwest, but in 1872 joined the Lexington Conference, in which he was pastor and Presiding Elder.

He was twice elected to the General Conference, and in 1884 was nominated to take the office and place that Bishop Taylor now occupies, but declined, saying that it would be impossible for him to live in Africa. He was elected Editor of the *Southwestern Christian Advocate*, and we believe with Dr. J. M. Buckley, had the delegates that represented the several colored conferences nominated him for the Episcopacy, he would have been elected by an overwhelming majority. Dr. M. W. Taylor was indeed our Moses, and we trusted that it would have been he that should redeem Israel. But alas! we see him as he scales Nebo's height, and but faintly views the sight. The veil is drawn by death, and he is hid in the mount with God. Dr. M. W. Taylor was one of our first men in the church, a clear type of human genius, a church governor, and a christian.

And we  
*Resolve*, That we will cherish his memory, follow his precepts, and as he has crossed the line of battle below and is standing on Zion's hill, may we not have him come to us? But let the commands he gave ring all down the lines, and may we carry them on to victory, until we cross the dead lines, and stand with him on the sea of glass having the harps of God. We pray the arm of protection be extended to his dear companion and children he has left to mourn their loss, which is his glory and gain.

Give joy or grief, give ease or pain,  
Take life or friends away,  
But let me find them all again,  
In that eternal day.

**REV. CHAS. WING.**

We live in a world where life is fleeting, death lurks in every flower, and floats in every breeze. The whistling of the winds seems to say, come! and man submissively obeys. In the midst of life we are in death. Rev. Charles Wing, who departed this life October 8th, 1887, was born May 1815, on the Eastern Shore of Maryland in Talbot county. In early life he united with the M. E. Church, and was a consistent, devoted christian. One year after the organization of the Delaware Annual Conference, at its second session in 1865, he joined, and filled the following appointments with credit to himself and Conference. Zion, Wilmington, 3 years; Cambridge, Md., 2 years; Wicomico, 2 years; Chestertown, 3 years; Old Chester, 1 year; New Town, 2 years; Princess Anne, 3 years; Middletown, 1 year; Smyrna, 1 year; Crumpton, 1 year. As a preacher he was wonderful in power. He was a loving husband and a kind father. In 1884 his health began to fail, which caused him to take a superannuated relation and moved to Chestertown, from thence to Trappe, from there to Oxford, where after much suffering, which he endured in his usual quiet way, until death put an end to his career on earth.

Go to the grave; at noon from labor cease;  
Rest on thy sheaves; thy harvest-task is done;  
Come from the heat of battle, and in peace,  
Soldier, go home; with thee the fight is won.

SACRED TO THE MEMORY OF

**REV. JOHN H. HOLLAND,**

Who was born in Anne Arundel County, Maryland, on Easter Sunday morning, April 12th, 1828. His mother, Sophia Holland, was free born, his father, Matthew Holland was a slave. At an early age, he was converted and joined Sharp Street M. E. Church, Baltimore, Maryland, where he then lived and worked at his trade as carpenter. About this time he was married to Miss Sarah E., daughter of the Rev. Thomas Watkins. In 1853, he moved to the eastern shore of Maryland, at Federalsburg, Caroline County. Uniting with our church in this place, still working at his trade, he was licensed to exhort in 1864, and in 1866 he was licensed a local preacher, and in July of the same year he joined the Delaware Conference. His first appointment was Denton, Maryland, where he had quite a conflict with the A. M. E. Church, his own church being locked against him, he stood on the door-step and preached the gospel of Christ. About the end of his second year he was often caused to sing:

What trouble have we seen,  
What conflicts have we past!

He was then appointed to Millington, Kent County, Maryland, served that Circuit two years, then to Centreville, Queen Anne's County, Maryland, two years, from there he was appointed to Milford, Delaware, where he served two years, then to Vienna Circuit, Dorchester County, Maryland, one year, then to Easton, Talbot County, Maryland, three years, thence to Dover, Delaware, two years. At that Conference session he was appointed Presiding Elder on the Salisbury District, by Bishop Thomas Bowman. After serving the District four years, he was appointed to Crisfield, Somerset County, Maryland, staying three years. He was appointed to Quantico, Wicomico County, Maryland, stayed one year. The circuit was divided, and Nanticoke charge was established to which he was appointed in May 1887, by Bishop J. F. Hurst, at the session of Conference at Chestertown, Kent County, Maryland, but taken sick at Conference, he did not reach his work, but grew worse till, on Nov. 14th of the same year, he was translated, we trust, to the land of the blest.

John H. Holland was a man of industry and enterprise, a faithful Christian, a wise and discreet judiciary officer, a good gospel preacher, an energetic pastor, and proved a blessing to the church. He leaves a wife and seven children to mourn their loss, which is his gain.

Brother thou hast gone before us,  
Resting on that blessed shore;  
Yet we hope again to meet thee,  
When the storms of life are o'er.

H. JOLLY,  
I. H. WINTERS,  
C. O. WATERS,  
E. E. PARKER.

**CHRISTIANNIA ROGERS.**

The beloved wife of Rev. Wm. H. Rogers, born March 1828, in Greenwich, N. J. Died March 20th, 1888, at Kent Island, Md. She was a loving wife, a devoted christian, and died triumphant in the faith.

The soul of our sister is gone,  
To heighten the triumphs above,  
Rejoicing at Jesus' throne,  
And clasped in the arms of his love.

**OLEVIA S. LOWBER,**

the beloved daughter of Rev. A. Lowber, born September 7th, 1877, at Still Pond, Md., departed this life August 18th, 1887. Age 11 years, 11 months, and 10 days.

She is not dead but sleepeth.



## FELL ASLEEP IN JESUS.

At Cold Spring, Cape May Co., N. J., in October 1887, sister Margaret M. Cox, the mother of Rev. L. Y. Cox, of the Delaware Conference of the M. E. Church, departed this life after an illness of only one week, during which time she suffered intensely, but in the midst of it she willingly submitted to the Lord, and in the last stage of her illness, confidently asserted that there was not a cloud, not a doubt, between her and God, but that she only waited for the summons, and when the fatal hour came from the effects of a second stroke, she calmly reposed on the bosom of her saviour, and with those sweet smiles on her countenance which bespeak peace in the soul, she bade adieu to her sorrows of earth, and awoke to the joys of Heaven. She was the daughter of Peter and Maria Humphreys, and was born in the Lower Township of Cape May Co., N. J., in March 1813. She was a member of church for over 50 years, and was ever ready and willing to do good. Her door was ever thrown open to God's ministers, and to the very last she exhibited that Christ-like spirit to help the needy to the fullest extent of her ability. She died at the age of 74 years, and 7 months.

## LEAH MORRIS,

beloved wife of Rev. Hy. Morris, was removed by the hand of death, February 17th, 1888, in the full triumphs of faith. She was born 1822, and became the wife of Rev. Hy. Morris, January 20th, 1849. She was a loving wife, a kind mother, a dear friend, and labored to make life cheering to all. She experienced faith in Christ in 1876, and lived a consistent christian, and died in great peace. We deeply lament the great affliction of our dear brother, but we believe that the strong arm which has supported him through the journey of life, will still continue to be with him. She was truly a help-meet to her husband in his great work, and did all in her power to help on the cause of our Lord. She was the mother of 9 children, 5 of whom preceded her to the glory land. She leaves a husband and four boys to mourn her loss.

T. H. JOHNSON.

## HERBY C. A. GRINNAGE,

son of Rev. A. Grinnage, was born May 13th, 1874. Was converted October 5th, 1885, and joined the M. E. Church, in which he lived a faithful and consistent member until June 20th, 1887, when he died in the triumphs of faith, and is resting to-day, we trust, in the paradise of God.

E. E. PARKER.

## REPORTS OF COMMITTEES.

## STATE OF THE CHURCH.

Your committee on the State of the Church respectfully report that after a careful survey of the field of Methodism we are more than ever convinced that our church is filling the world with light and truth by the preaching of the Word, giving spiritual liberty to souls thereby, and establishing and maintaining educational institutions through which freedom from the servitude of ignorance is giving to the mind.

2. Our church is in the advance upon the great questions of temperance and other moral reformations. Our more than 2,000,000 members, more than 12,000 generals and captains, with more than 2,000,000 in our Sunday schools, are marching forward with God as their Captain and His truth as their banner. Actuated by the spirit of the gospel which is progressive, aggressive and revolutionary, having no disposition to call a halt until the roll of the redeemed shall be called on Zion's Hill beyond the skies, and the armies of the living God pass in grand review before Him who hath redeemed us with His own precious blood.

*Resolved*, That we are satisfied with the grand old church of our choice, her doctrines and polity, and we propose to remain within her pales and help fight her battles, make her laws, and enjoy her victories.

*Resolved* 2, That we petition the General Conference through our delegates to so amend the law, touching the Time Limit, as to allow our bishops to appoint preachers five consecutive years in cases when it is necessary for the good of the church, *provided*, preachers shall be appointed for one year at the time as under our present law.

*Resolved* 3, That we heartily endorse the proposition of Rev. I. H. White to organize a Conference Historical Society and accept the plan suggested by him to carry out the end in view.

We recommend that the biographical sketches and photographs placed in our hands, be put in the custody of Rev. I. H. White, and that the brethren of the several districts furnish him, during the Conference year, with sketches of their lives and photographs as far as possible.

*Resolved* 4, That we appoint a special committee of five (5) at this session on the entertainment of our next Annual Conference to act in co-operation with the Presiding Elders in arranging for the entertainment at the next session.

Respectfully submitted,

J. HUDSON RIDDICK,  
J. H. SCOTT,  
THOS. H. JOHNSON.

## CHURCH EXTENSION.

To the Bishop and members of Delaware Conference:  
Your committee beg leave to submit the following:  
and WHEREAS, The Church Extension Society is indispensable to our church,

WHEREAS, many of our circuits and stations have been aided by it, therefore  
*Resolved*, That each pastor urge upon his people the great necessity of raising funds for the support of it.

T. M. HUBBARD,  
JAS. H. MASON,  
T. B. H. COLEMAN.

## COMMITTEE ON EDUCATION.

To the Bishop and members of the Delaware Annual Conference:  
DEAR BRETHREN—Your Committee on Education beg leave to submit the following report: The subject of education is one that deeply concerns us, and



we are glad to report that our people are awakening to their duty on this line, and with a self-sacrificing spirit worthy of the heroes of other days, are laboring to give their children a proper mental, moral and religious training. Our schools are well attended, and are improving, in the classes sent out, a blessing to our Conference, and a benediction to the race. Much help has come to our needy students by loans granted from the Board of Education, and with this help, timely bestowed, many a young man has been enabled to go forth prepared to do battle against the powers of darkness.

The C. B. Institute, Baltimore, Md., is accomplishing noble results in the education of our people. It has a promising class of students who will likely graduate this year from the Theological Department, as well as from the Classical and Normal Departments, and others who will be promoted in the Preparatory Departments. The Institute is still increasing its reputation for thorough and efficient work. This Institution and its branch schools, the Baltimore City Academy, and the Delaware Conference Academy, deserve the most liberal, moral, and financial support of all the ministers and members of the patronizing conferences, and all friends of higher education. Special efforts should be made to raise the balance of the Endowment pledge by this Conference, and to increase the amount of collections for its support. We are glad to announce that an arrangement providing for the convenience and comfort of female students was made last year, at Baltimore, by opening a young ladies' boarding and lodging hall. This arrangement wonderfully cheapens board, etc., and places the young ladies who come from a distance, under the care and protection of a resident teacher. A similar arrangement has also been made at the Delaware Conference Academy.

In view of the over-crowded condition of the work in the Delaware Conference Academy, and the rapidly increasing interest in the education of the youth, nothing short of a new school building will meet the demands of next year. We hail with pleasure the great work being done by the Boston Theological School, and invite all those who seek a higher education to avail themselves of its privileges.

Respectfully submitted,

WM. H. THOMAS,  
K. J. STILL,  
J. H. WINTERS.

To the Bishop and members of the Delaware Conference:

DEAR BRETHREN:—Having since my appointment to Princess Anne, Md., made myself fully acquainted with the educational work now being done at the Delaware Conference Academy, and from my long and intimate acquaintance with the Principal, I am thoroughly convinced that he is the right man in the right place.

With a well-stored mind and practical experience, with a heart full of love for God and humanity, and a hand ever ready to render assistance to all, and especially to the poor and weak of his own race, Prof. B. O. Bird has been instrumental in building an educational centre in our southern work, the benefits of which cannot be estimated. Less than two years ago, when the day came for opening the session, there was not a single applicant present, but to day there are on roll 72 students, 64 who are attending day school, and the remainder at night. Among those now in attendance, are 6 preparing for the ministry, and 36 are preparing to teach; 13 have been converted and joined my church, 4 embraced the religion of our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ, in a noon-day prayer meeting at the Academy. Among the improvements made have been the beautifying grounds, &c. But while we are filled with gratitude to our Heavenly Father for the success which has crowned this work, and to the brethren who have labored so arduously for its support, we are encouraged to strike out boldly

to accomplish greater things this Conference year. A new school-building must be erected in order to meet the demands of next year, and we are called upon to continue loyal to the cause of Christ and humanity, and by the blessing of heaven, active and hearty effort, we hope this year to make a record that shall far excel anything the Delaware Conference has accomplished in previous years.

THOMAS H. JOHNSON,

Pastor of Princess Anne Circuit, of the Salisbury District, Delaware Conference.

#### TEMPERANCE.

Your Committee on Temperance submit the following:

WHEREAS, Intemperance is a great sin against which the scripture abounds with terrible denunciations, and

WHEREAS, the exertions heretofore made to educate the public sentiment has been so successful that there is large encouragements for continued work; the contest against one of the most powerful agencies employed by the enemy of souls must go on, and the church cannot be an idle spectator, because the salvation of souls is endangered by the prevalence of liquor vending. The ministers of the gospel, which is the hope of the world, must cry aloud and spare not in the exposition of both danger and remedy, nor can the gospel preacher with consistency allow himself to be deterred from this duty, by the fact that the thinking or evil-minded may raise the cry of fanaticism or extremeism; nor can there be anything erratic to the good man that will aid in the process of plucking an immortal soul as a brand from the burning; therefore,

*Resolved*, That we the ministers and members of the Delaware Annual Conference will preach and practice temperance.

*Resolved*, That we will not be at rest until the accursed demon is driven from the land.

*Resolved*, That the P. E. be requested to enforce the Disciplinary law on the question of Temperance *mildly* and *firmly*.

*Resolved*, That we will not admit any one into our ranks as an itinerant minister, who will not refrain from the use of tobacco.

Signed:

A. W. HAMILTON,  
D. J. BRITTINGHAM,  
J. H. HARMAN.

#### REPORT OF BIBLE COMMITTEE.

Dear Bishop and Brethren:

Your Committee, charged with the duty of reporting on the subject of the Bible, reports as follows: The Bible is the inspired word of God. It is the bread of life, the holy manna, the joy of the Christian. It leads men out of darkness into the light of truth. It shows us the power of God unto full salvation. It raises the fallen, cheers the faint, and gives sight to the blind. It is the joy of the world. It is the chart of the Christian Church. It is the only book that inspires fallen humanity, and gives them the hope of heaven. Take it away and the world will be cold and dreary. Take it away and you leave no good news for the sinner. Take it away, and you leave no hope for the dying. The world wants it, and the people want it, and all should diligently read it and study it with prayer.

GILFORD M. LANDIN,  
J. Q. DENNIS,  
J. C. CARROLL.

#### SUNDAY SCHOOLS.

Your Committee on Sunday Schools beg leave to present the following report: WHEREAS, We recognize in the Sunday School the great church of the future



and being deeply impressed with the great importance of having the children and youths instructed systematically and thoroughly in the word of God,

*Resolved, 1st,* That we advise the study of the Berean Series of Lessons, the Methodist Catechism, Nos. 1, 2, and 3 according to the grades of scholars and the rules and doctrines of the church as contained in the Discipline.

*Resolved, 2d,* That we recognize the great value of the Children's Day, and would most heartily recommend to all our pastors, churches and Sunday Schools, its careful observance according to the forms of Discipline.

*Resolved, 3d,* That we recommend to all our pastors the wisdom of observing the Monthly Prayer Meeting in our Sunday Schools.

*Resolved, 4th,* That we recommend our schools patronize our own publication house, the literature of which being better adapted to our purposes.

J. H. B. HUBBARD,  
E. E. PARKER,  
A. W. HAMILTON.

SANCTITY OF THE SABBATH.

WHEREAS, The Sabbath was instituted by our Lord in the time of man's infancy as a day on which man nor beast should do any work—a day of rest; and,

WHEREAS, The increased spirit of the age is to break down this divine institution, and the laxity of many who are professed christians, and

WHEREAS, Many of our people charter steamboats, cars, etc., to run excursions on the Sabbath in violation of the law of God, the law of the Church, and the Sunday law, and

WHEREAS, At many of our Camp Meetings, etc., some of our people are allowed to buy, sell and traffic on the Lord's Day, leading men from the paths of virtue; and

WHEREAS, Our ministers have the oversight of the spiritual and temporal interests of the Church and are the leaders of the people; therefore,

*Resolved,* By the ministers of Christ and members of the Delaware Annual Conference that we will earnestly advise our people to observe our Disciplinary Rules;

*Resolved,* That our Presiding Elders are hereby requested to report to the Annual Conference any minister as guilty of a wrong who may encourage our people to run excursions or in buying or selling on the Sabbath.

W. C. DICKERSON,  
J. H. HARMAN.

CHURCH AID.

Jamestown.....	\$ 2 00
Fairmount.....	9 00
Crisfield.....	4 00
Fruitland.....	1 75
Lemont.....	20 00
Pocomoke.....	1 00
Snow Hill.....	15 00
Berlin.....	12 00
Blackwater.....	16 00
Deal's Island.....	3 00

GENERAL AND ANNUAL CONFERENCE COLLECTIONS.

GENERAL CONFERENCE.	
Fairmount \$1 00.....	\$ 200
Stockton 1 00.....	200
Lemont 1 00.....	200
Blackwater 1 00.....	100

Kingston	1 00	100
Jamestown	1 00	200
Berlin	1 00	100
Pocomoke	1 00	100
Salisbury	1 00	100
" Circuit	1 00	100
Hornstown	1 00	200
Snow Hill	1 00	200
Fruitland	1 00	200
D. Island	1 00	200

THE TRACT CAUSE.

Through the medium of the Tract Society much good is accomplished. WHEREAS, the Tract Cause have furnished the masses with cheap literature. *Resolved 1,* That we, as ministers of the gospel, should encourage their distribution.

*Resolved 2,* That they should be read and studied by both young and old people.

*Resolved 3,* That every pastor within the bounds of the Delaware Annual Conference should encourage the distribution of them.

Respectfully submitted,  
S. E. ADAMS,  
J. W. BROWN,  
P. J. ADAMS.  
*Committee*

AUDITING COMMITTEE.

We, your Committee, appointed to audit the accounts of the Presiding Elders, after careful examination find their books correct and properly received for, as follows:

Philadelphia District.....	\$ 390 00
Dover.....	225 00
Chestertown.....	170 00
Salisbury.....	190 00
	1000 00

E. E. PARKER,  
T. H. JOHNSON,  
A. W. LOWBER.

At a meeting of the Trustees of the Centenary Biblical Institute, held in the city of Baltimore, Wednesday, April 18, 1888, the following resolutions were unanimously adopted.

*Resolved, 1,* That the Trustees of the Centenary Biblical Institute, do hereby authorize the erection of a new building, say about 70x26 feet to meet the increasing demands for school and dormitory purposes at Princess Anne, provided the Delaware Conference of the Methodist Episcopal Church, at its session of 1888, will arrange to raise the sum of One Thousand Dollars, by the first of October next, towards the erection of said building.

*Resolved, 2,* That we approve of the plan to enlarge the Industrial Department of the Delaware Conference Academy, by adding instruction in carpentering, house painting and dress-making, and refer the matter to the Centenary Biblical Institute Executive Committee, with power to provide for such instruction.

*Resolved, 3,* That Prof. B. O. Bird is hereby requested to present these resolutions to the Delaware Conference for their consideration.

JOHN H. SMITH,  
*Secretary.*  
JOHN T. GOUCHER,  
*President Board of Trustees.*



REPORT OF BOARD OF SUSTENTATION.

Amount received from Finance Committee.....	\$ 20 15		\$ 86 85
Paid to Rev. I. H. White.....	7 55		
" " " W. H. Coffey.....	6 20		
" " " W. J. Parker.....	10 00		
" " " Jas. H. Scott.....	6 00		
" " " D. A. Ridout.....	11 00		
" " " P. E. for Mission Work.....	1 24		
" " " L. Y. Cox.....	2 40		
" " " J. H. Johnson.....			
Total.....	\$ 64 54	\$ 22 31	\$ 87 16
Balance in hand.....		17 00	
Amount due from F. Com.....		\$ 39 91	

Drafts on above ordered

Rev. J. E. Webb.....	\$ 3 65
" " J. A. Scott.....	15 18
Prof. Bird.....	5 64
A. Brown.....	7 50

REPORT OF CONFERENCE STEWARDS.

Paid to Mrs. Wm. Phillips.....	\$ 15 00
" " Rev. S. G. Waters.....	75 00
" " Mrs. P. Pipes.....	10 00
" " N. Young.....	50 00
" " J. Brinkley.....	75 00
" " Mrs. H. Long.....	15 00
" " Mrs. S. P. Marshall.....	40 00
" " Mrs. Dr. Butler.....	20 00
" " Rev. I. H. Broughton.....	80 00
" " Mrs. Chas Wing.....	29 69
" " Rev. Charles Pullet.....	34 00
" " Mrs. S. Taylor.....	30 00
" " Mrs. C. Ash.....	20 00
" " Mrs. G. H. Waters.....	30 00
" " Mrs. S. Johns.....	70 00
" " Rev. Hy. Morris.....	20 00
" " Mrs. P. Kennedy (4 children).....	60 00
" " Rev. P. J. Adams.....	65 00
" " Rev. S. P. Whittington.....	35 00
" " Mrs. B. Gibbs.....	80 00
" " Rev. John Saunders.....	40 00
" " Mrs. John Holland.....	15 00
" " Mrs. John Jackson.....	15 00
" " Rev. A. Grinnage.....	10 00
" " Rev. W. B. Green.....	71 00
" " G. W. Young.....	10 00
" " Mrs. J. R. Webb.....	10 00
Total.....	\$ 1025 69
Reserved.....	36 00
Grand Total.....	\$ 1061 69

Your Committee recommend that said reserve be paid over into the hands of the Presiding Elders, for to aid the most needy on their several districts. We further recommend to the Conference that the pastors shall give more attention to Conference Claimants Fund the ensuing year.

D. R. DUNN,  
P. BURROUGHS,  
H. JOLLY,  
J. A. SCOTT,  
*Stewards.*

FREEDMAN'S AID COMMITTEE.

WHEREAS, The Freedman's Aid Society has done and is doing a noble work in providing facilities for the Christian education of the freedmen and others in the South, having established 43 schools, and expended nearly \$200,000 in this great work, and,

WHEREAS, The Society has located in the City of Baltimore, the Centenary Biblical Institute and the Baltimore City Academy, within the bounds of the Washington Conference, and the Delaware Conference Academy within the bounds of the Delaware Conference, schools which have done a great and glorious work, and are destined to accomplish more glorious results in the future; and

WHEREAS, The Society is greatly in need of funds in carrying on this great educational work; therefore

*Resolved,* We, the ministers of the Delaware Annual Conference will faithfully and persistently endeavor to raise the full amount of our apportionment for the said cause, and that no charge raise and report less than \$5 00.

A. BROWN,  
J. K. ADAMS,  
M. H. HORSEY.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON MISSIONS.

CHESTERTOWN DISTRICT.	
Presiding Elder.....	\$ 120 00
Millington.....	25 00
Sassafras.....	25 00
Total.....	\$ 170 00
DOVER DISTRICT.	
Presiding Elder.....	\$ 120 00
Smyrna.....	35 00
Lewes.....	20 00
Seaford.....	20 00
Total.....	\$ 195 00
PHILADELPHIA DISTRICT.	
Presiding Elder.....	\$ 175 00
Bridgeton.....	25 00
Atlantic City and Spring La'e.....	100 00
Haven, N. J.....	15 00
Mt. Holly.....	50 00
Haven and N. Penn.....	25 00
Total.....	\$ 390 00
SALISBURY DISTRICT.	
Presiding Elder.....	\$ 135 00



Chincoteague.....	20 00
Personsburg.....	20 00
Salisbury Circuit.....	30 00
Manokin.....	20 00
Pocomoke Circuit.....	20 00
Total.....	\$ 245 00
	\$1000 00

Total for the Conference.....

W. J. PARKS, *Chairman,*  
W. A. COFFEY, *Sec'y.*

CYRUS D. FOSS.

I concur in the above appropriations.

REPORT OF THE FINANCE COMMITTEE.

The moneys received by the Committee and paid over to the Treasurer, are as follows :

	Missions.	Church Extension.	S. S. Union.	Tract.	Freed-men's Aid.
Dover District,.....	\$ 249 00	\$ 33 50	\$15 00	\$ 8 12	\$ 34 75
Chestertown District,...	647 00	105 00	20 50	18 50	113 00
Philadelphia ".....	827 00	226 00	22 00	22 00	127 00
Salisbury ".....	787 00	121 00	20 50	18 50	133 00
	<u>\$2,510 00</u>	<u>\$485 50</u>	<u>\$78 00</u>	<u>\$67 12</u>	<u>\$407 75</u>
Conference Collection,	11 19		2 93		10 99
	<u>\$2,521 19</u>		<u>\$80 93</u>		<u>\$418 74</u>
			Episcopal Fund.	Conference Claimant.	
Education.	Bible.		\$ 49 00	\$ 75 00	
\$ 14 50	\$ 8 95		107 00	161 00	
41 00	19 50		146 00	221 00	
37 00	21 00		105 00	143 00	
27 00	20 00			<u>\$600 00</u>	
<u>\$120 50</u>	<u>\$69 45</u>				

RESOLUTIONS.

RESOLUTION OF THANKS.

*Resolved 1st,* That the thanks of the Delaware Annual Conference be extended to Bishop Cyrus D. Foss, D. D. LL. D., for his wise and judicious counsel, and many words of encouragement, and for the patient, courteous, and impartial manner in which he has presided over our deliberations, and will assure him that, if in the providence of God, he should be sent to us again, we will bid him a cordial welcome.

*Resolved 2nd,* That our thanks are due, and hereby extended to our secretaries, for the faithful performance of their duties.

*Resolved 3rd,* That we will ever cherish in our memory, the kind hospitable treatment we have received from the good people of Dover and vicinity.

*Resolved 4th,* That our thanks be extended to the Trustees who have opened their church for our use.

*Resolved 5th,* That the thanks of this body be extended to the pastor of this church, the Rev. A. Brown, for the able manner in which he has provided for our comfort, and assure him his kindness will not be forgotten.

*Resolved 6th,* That our thanks are due, and hereby extended, to the sexton, for his services during our stay.

*Resolved 7th,* That the excellent choir of this church has merited our thanks for its good music.

JOHN W. LANKFORD,  
CHAS. A. HORSEY,  
J. E. A. D. GRIGSBY.

*Resolved 8th,* That our thanks are hereby tendered to the Pennsylvania Railroad and its divisions, and also to the New York and Philadelphia Railroad, for reduced rates of transportation over their road.

MINORITY REPORT ON REV. J. A. SCOTT'S BILL FOR \$24.

Believing that it will take all, if not more, than the Minute money, paid in at this session of the Conference, to pay for the printing of the necessary Minutes of the present Conference; therefore,

*Resolved,* That the amount claimed by Rev. J. H. Scott be apportioned by the Presiding Elders to the circuits and stations, in each district, to be raised within sixty (60) days.

J. H. RIDDICK.

RESOLUTIONS ON THE CHURCH AID MONEY.

WHEREAS, A special collection was ordered to be taken the past Conference year, on the recommendation of the Presiding Elders, for special purposes in their districts; therefore,

*Resolved,* That the money brought to this Conference for Church Aid be paid over to the Presiding Elders.

J. H. RIDDICK.

RESOLUTION CONCERNING BISHOP FOSS.

WHEREAS, It has pleased our Heavenly Father to spare the life of Bishop Cyrus D. Foss, D. D., L. L. D., to be present with us, for the purpose of holding the twenty-fifth session of our Conference, and,

WHEREAS, This is his first visit to the Delaware Conference; therefore, *Resolved,* That we hereby tender him a sincere and cordial welcome among us, and pledge him our humble sympathy and support while dispatching the business of this Conference.

J. HUDSON RIDDICK,  
J. L. COLE.

*Resolved,* That we approve of the action of the Trustees of the Centenary Biblical Institute, in their purpose to erect an additional building at Delaware Conference Academy, and we hereby pledge ourselves to raise the required \$1000, on or before October.

(Signed) I. H. WHITE.

RESOLUTIONS ON CAMP MEETINGS.

*Resolved,* That we, the preachers of the Delaware Annual Conference, will not attend or preach at camp meetings, held within the bounds of our Conference, where buying and selling is allowed as a traffic on the Lord's Day.

*Resolved,* That we approve of the use of such food and drink, only, at Camp Meetings, (on Sundays,) that is not sinful in its application.

I. H. WHITE,  
J. W. LANKFORD,  
J. H. RIDDICK.



APPOINTMENTS:

PHILADELPHIA DISTRICT, W. H. COFFEY, P. E., CHESTER, PA.

Bridgeton, N. J.—E. S. Ais.

Camden, N. J.—A. W. Hamilton.

Cape May, N. J.—C. A. Timley.

Chester, Pa.—L. Y. Cox.

Delaware City—R. H. Coleman.

Haven, (P. O. Salem)—To be supplied.

Merchantstville, N. J.—A. J. Wallace.

Middleton, N. J.—A. J. Wallace.

Mount Holly, N. J.—J. H. Johnson.

New Castle—J. A. Richardson.

Odessa—C. A. Horsey.

DOVER DISTRICT, T. H. JOHNSON, P. E., DOVER, DEL.

Arey's, Md.—J. Q. Dennis.

Bridgeville, Md.—C. T. Townsend.

Cambridge, Md.—Hooper Jolly.

Cambridge Circuit, Md.—J. H. Griffin.

Camden, Del.—To be supplied.

Church Creek, Md.—I. H. Johnson.

Dover, Del.—G. H. Washington.

East New Market, Md.—D. J. Waters.

Federalsburg, Md.—To be supplied.

Golden Hill, Md.—To be supplied.

Laurel, Md.—J. E. A. D. Grigsby.

CHESTER TOWN DISTRICT, W. J. PARKER, P. E.

1111 Rodman Street, Philadelphia.

Marydel Md.—To be supplied.

Millington, Md.—Peter Burrows.

Pomona, Md.—G. M. Landin.

Queenstown, Md.—A. W. Lowber.

Royal Oak, Md.—M. H. Horsey.

Saint Michaels, Md.—J. W. Brown.

Sassatras, Md.—B. Snowden.

Still Pond, Md.—W. C. Dickerson.

Talbot, Md.—M. T. McKenney.

Trappe, Md.—J. H. Winters.

City Academy, member of Royal Oak Quarterly Conference.

I. H. Nutter, Principal Baltimore

Kent Island, Md.—W. H. Rogers.

Greensborough, Md.—J. W. Cook.

Galena, Md.—J. W. Bond.

Farlee, Md.—S. E. Adams.

Easton, Md.—J. A. Mason.

Denton, Md.—J. A. Scott.

Claybran, Md.—J. S. Willis.

Church Hill, Md.—J. R. Brinkley.

Chesertown, Md.—W. H. Thomas.

Centerville, Md.—D. J. Brittingham.

Quarterly Conference.

SALISBURY DISTRICT, I. H. WHITE, P. E., SALISBURY, MD.

P. O. Box 107.

Marion, Md.—J. W. Pinkney.

Nanticoke Point, Md.—R. J. Waters.

Parsonsburg, Md.—S. P. Hammond.

Pocomoke, Md.—To be supplied.

Pocomoke Circuit—To be supplied.

RESOLUTIONS ON THE PRESS.

Resolved, That we tender our thanks to the Philadelphia Ledger, Delaware, for Sun, Wilmington Morning News, and the newspapers of Dover, Delaware, for reporting the proceedings of the Conference.

WHEREAS, The bounds of the Delaware Annual Conference is described in the discipline of the church thus, "east and north of the Washington Conference."

AND WHEREAS, There are several charges of our denomination (colored) beyond the limits of the prescribed work of said Delaware Conference and not included in the same,

Therefore Resolved, That we do hereby memorialize the General Conference that is to convene in the city of New York in May, 1888, and ask that the committee on boundaries shall recommend that the Delaware Annual Conference be included within the regular working of the Delaware Annual Conference.

H. JOLLY,  
W. M. H. COFFEY,  
J. HUDSON RIDDICK, D. D.

WHEREAS, We have learned of the illness of Rev. W. M. Frysjonger, D. D. President of the Centenary Biblical Institute, Baltimore,

AND WHEREAS, We are led to believe that said illness has been superinduced by his untiring effort in the behalf of our people, doing the work of two men in order to give them proper, mental, moral and religious instruction, therefore,

Resolved, 1st, That we tender to him our deepest sympathies in this his hour of his affliction.

Resolved, 2d, That we shall ever pray the great Dispenser of Good, long to preserve his life and usefulness.

Resolved 3d, That a copy of these resolutions be forwarded to him as a faint testimonial of the high esteem and regard in which he is held by the members of this Conference.

Resolved, That the Finance Committee be requested to prepare a supplementary report, showing total of benevolent collections by Districts with the increase or decrease in receipts as compared with cash received and reported last year, and said report be published in the minutes.

J. H. NUTTER,  
J. H. RIDDICK,  
I. H. WHITE,  
W. H. COFFEY,  
G. H. WASHINGTON,  
W. J. PARKER.

CERTIFICATE OF ORDINATIONS.

This is to certify that, in Dover, Delaware, on Sunday, April 22, 1888, I ordained James H. Scott, Chas. O. Waters, John H. Griffin, Wm. T. Cole, Walter J. Hall and Jacob W. Cook as Deacons.

I also ordained John W. Lankford, Thos. S. Ais, John H. Harmon and Lewis W. Deakins, as Elders.

Dover, Del., April 23, 1888.



Deal's Island, Md.—To be supplied.  
 Fairmount, Md.—J. H. Pearce.  
 Fruitland, Md.—H. T. Rich.  
 Horntown, Va.—Noah Morris.  
 Jamestown, Md.—To be supplied.  
 Kingston, Md.—J. C. Carroll.  
 Lee Mont, Va.—J. K. Adams.  
 Manokin, Md.—L. E. Toulson.

Princess Anne, Md.—D. A. Ridout.  
 Quantico, Md.—To be supplied.  
 Salisbury, Md.—J. D. Elbert.  
 Salisbury Circuit, Md.—C. J. Hall.  
 Snow Hill, Md.—J. H. B. Hubbard.  
 Snow Hill Circuit, Md.—To be supplied.  
 Stockton, Md.—To be supplied.

LOCAL PREACHERS SUPPLYING CHARGES.

Cape May Circuit, J. C. Goldsborough.  
 Haven, N. J., W. W. Gales.  
 Camden, Del., Geo. W. Downs.  
 Golden Hill, Md., Charles Earles.  
 Federalsburg, Md., John H. Blake.  
 Marydel, Md., Wm. J. Willson.  
 Claibran, Md., J. Raman Brown.  
 Chincoteague Island, S. H. Norwood.  
 Deal's Island, W. J. Hudson.  
 Jamestown, R. H. Boggs.  
 Parsonburgh, S. W. Waters.  
 Stockton, F. T. Johnson.  
 Quantico, W. E. Hilton.  
 Snow Hill Circuit, W. H. Rogers.

LOCAL PREACHERS

PHILADELPHIA DISTRICT.

Isaac Foster.....1210 Locust St. Philadelphia.  
 Wm. Johnson.....Zoar Church.  
 Samuel Laws.....  
 L. A. Holland.....Atlantic City, N. J.  
 H. Sammons.....Home of the aged, Phila.  
 D. E. Scott.....Bainbridge Street Church, Phila.  
 L. W. Scott.....  
 G. H. Selvy.....  
 A. G. Lane.....  
 J. C. Goulsborough.....  
 I. E. H. Bagwill.....Haven, Phila.  
 C. H. Gibbs.....Bainbridge Street Church, Phila.  
 R. Roach.....  
 J. H. Smith.....Ezion, Wilmington.  
 Wm. Brown.....  
 J. H. Butler.....  
 Sol. Bantum.....112 Townsend Street, S. Wilmington.  
 D. H. Bantum.....  
 B. B. Fisher.....  
 E. Demby.....716 Locust Street  
 R. H. Berry.....Salem, N. J.  
 A. H. Henry.....Odessa, Del.

J. C. Shockly.....Wilmington, Del.  
 B. S. Brown.....Port Deposit, Md.  
 A. Buck.....Bridgeton, N. J.  
 Wm. P. Coon.....  
 H. C. Morgan.....Centreville, "  
 E. J. Miller.....Haddonfield, "  
 E. Williams.....Newport, Del.  
 D. Anderson.....619 Christian St., Wilmington, Del.  
 R. Cox.....Cape May, N. J.  
 D. M. Trusty.....  
 J. W. W. Cox.....  
 C. Griffin.....Merchantville, N. J.  
 G. Thomas.....Spring Mills, N. J.  
 J. H. Davis.....Christiana, Del.  
 Jos. Johnson.....Salem, N. J.  
 J. Hill.....  
 T. W. Camper.....Chester, Pa.  
 E. Watts.....Thurlow, Pa.  
 W. P. Tunnel.....Port Penn, Del.  
 J. Trusty.....Delaware City, Del.

DOVER DISTRICT.

J. E. Wright.....Smyrna, Delaware.  
 A. Gibbs.....  
 Robert Carney.....Dover.  
 Isaac Mosley.....  
 James Smith.....  
 Jos. P. Bell.....  
 Wm. Jones.....  
 Charles Horsey.....Milford  
 D. J. Simpler.....Milton,  
 Moses Young.....Milford,  
 L. M. Shockley.....  
 R. Shockley.....  
 Moses Porter.....Nassau,  
 John Tingle.....  
 Thomas Hummel.....Federalburg, Md.  
 John N. Brummel.....  
 William Scott.....  
 George W. Tilghman.....  
 Benjamin Nichols.....Seaford, Del.  
 Samuel Spenser.....Laurel, Del  
 Levin Burroughs.....  
 Geo. E. Johnson.....  
 Cyrus Moore.....  
 P. J. M. Webb.....Preston,  
 M. Cole.....  
 C. E. Johnson.....  
 John H. Thompson.....E. New Market  
 P. Atkinson.....  
 William H. Jackson.....  
 Thomas D. Pinder.....  
 Henry Keene.....  
 John Steward.....Vienna.  
 James Stanley.....



Stephen A. Earl.....  
 Enoch Wilson.....  
 Nathaniel Basle..... Bucktown.  
 T. H. Colemon..... Ariey's.  
 J. H. Stanley.....  
 F. Stanley.....  
 P. J. Stanley.....  
 Josiah Coleman.....  
 Moses E. Wing..... Cambridge.  
 John Slater.....  
 Wash. Jolly.....  
 Geo. Ross.....  
 Gabriel Keah.....  
 Robert Otho..... Church Creek.  
 Curtis Lane..... Madison, Md.  
 Chas. Cephas..... Golden Hill.

CHESTERTOWN DISTRICT.

Henry Christy..... Sassafras, Md.  
 Samuel Black.....  
 Charles W. Jones..... Chestertown, Md.  
 Charles Thomas.....  
 A. H. Caulk..... Galena,  
 J. Raymond Brown.....  
 Warner Reason..... Still Pond,  
 Horton Chambers.....  
 Richard Henson..... Edesville,  
 Solomon Reason..... Fairlee,  
 William Pierce.....  
 Lemuel Pierce.....  
 William Frisby..... Chestertown,  
 Lorenzo Dunn.....  
 Isaiah Lively.....  
 Benj. Ringold.....  
 Allen Thomas..... Templeville,  
 Perry P. Wilson..... Church Hill,  
 Wm. H. Woodland..... Sudlersville,  
 J. Q. A. Fletcher..... Crumpton,  
 C. H. Kennedy..... Centreville,  
 Wm. McDaniel.....  
 Wesley Stephens..... Church Hill,  
 John Pembroke..... Centreville, Md.  
 E. J. Holtis.....  
 Emery Nichols.....  
 Abraham Goldsborough.....  
 Wm. J. Wilson..... Kent Island, Md.  
 C. E. Sheppard.....  
 Jacob S. Hazelton.....  
 Joseph E. Cook..... Centreville, Md.  
 Henry J. Scott.....  
 Wm. E. Brown..... Queen Anne, Md.  
 Daniel Foote..... Chapel, Md.  
 John H. Staten..... Matthews, Md.  
 Harrison Beulah..... Potter's Landing, Md.  
 Wm. H. Taylor..... Vurresville, Md.

Jacob W. Cook..... Greensborough, Md.  
 Perry Kennedy.....  
 James Carter.....  
 John Stevens..... St. Michaels, Md.  
 Joseph Johnson.....  
 Martin Wells.....  
 J. H. Gates..... Royal Oak, Md.  
 Chas. H. Murray.....  
 Thomas Mixon..... Trappe, Md.  
 Geo. W. Turner..... Easton, Md.  
 John Smith.....  
 A. S. Amos.....

SALISBURY DISTRICT.

W. H. Rogers..... Franklinville, Del.  
 Wm. Bowen..... Berlin, Md.  
 Alfred Purnell..... Berlin, Md.  
 Isaac Armstrong..... Snow Hill, Md.  
 Henry Milbourn..... Snow Hill, Md.  
 Edward Harman..... Girdletree, Md.  
 J. Fisher..... Stockton, Md.  
 J. Dennis..... Stockton, Md.  
 George Ginn..... Pocomoke Ct., Md.  
 J. Ewel..... Chincoteague, Va.  
 L. E. Tunnel..... Oak Hall, Va.  
 W. Coleman..... Atlantic, Va.  
 Parker Gunter..... Leemont, Va.  
 T. T. Turlington..... Locutt Mount, Va.  
 J. Parks..... Locust Mount, Va.  
 S. F. Wad..... Pocomoke Ct., Md.  
 W. H. Henson.....  
 J. Turner.....  
 W. Parker.....  
 J. M. Gillett..... Marion, Md.  
 George Handy.....  
 George Whittington.....  
 S. J. Waters..... Crisfield, Md.  
 Jacob Sterling.....  
 William Miles.....  
 Joseph Brittingham..... Fairmount, Md.  
 R. H. Boggs.....  
 William E. Waters.....  
 Joseph Williams..... Westover, Md.  
 Robert Colburn.....  
 Isaac Cullins.....  
 Zurababel Dashield.....  
 J. Hayward..... Deal's Island, Md.  
 H. Cottman.....  
 Harry D. Armstrong.....  
 A. Wallace..... Dame's Quarter, Md.  
 George White.....  
 Alfred White.....  
 H. A. Field.....  
 F. T. Johnson..... Princess Anne, Md.  
 H. T. Johnson.....







DOVER DISTRICT.—GENERAL STATISTICS, NO. I.

CIRCUITS AND STATIONS.	MEMBERSHIP.				BAPTISMS.				CHURCH PROPERTY.				SUNDAY SCHOOLS.				BENEVOLENT COLLECTIONS.						MINISTERIAL SUPPORT.		OTHER COLLECTIONS.						
	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 on old indebtedness on Ch. property.	Present indebtedness on Ch. property.	Current Expens (sex ton, light, fuel, etc.)	No. of Schools.	No. of Officers and Teachers.	Scholars of all ages.	FOR MISSIONS.		For Board of Church Extension.	For Sunday S. Union.	For Tract Society.	For Freedmen's Aid Society.	For Education.		For American Bible Society.	For Woman's Foreign Missionary Society.	For Woman's Home Missionary Society.	For Pastor, Presiding Elder and Bishops.	For Conference Claimants.	
																		From Churches.	From Sunday Schools.												From Churches.
Airey's	5	117	5	7	21	1	3	1175	1	78	58	28	28	3	27	19	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	220	4	6
Bridgeville.	18	134	1	20	20	3	1500	1	300	1	25	25	25	3	21	92	10	10	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	393	4	9	
Cambridge Station.	13	254	4	5	12	1	4500	1	900	1	143	143	143	3	15	191	20	10	30	3	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	693	12	15	
Cambridge Circuit.	12	130	2	4	6	1	1800	1	300	1	50	72	72	3	35	116	5	5	5	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	135	1/2	1	
Church Creek	25	138	3	4	75	1	2500	1	500	1	15	50	50	4	36	100	1	14	15	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	700	2	4		
Camden & Felton.	6	19	1	2	2	1	1100	1	300	1	9	30	30	1	5	36	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	45	1	1		
Dover Station.	6	165	2	6	8	3	5200	1	1200	1	441	175	500	1	12	112	8	13	21	2	1	1	1	1	1	1	404	2	25		
East New Market.	21	352	10	3	35	3	4000	1	500	1	50	35	20	1	4	13	162	15	20	2	1	1	1	1	1	1	423	5	20		
Federalburg.	37	97	4	1	6	1	5000	1	150	1	26	60	25	1	4	44	270	8	12	20	2	1	1	1	1	1	439	12	24		
Golden Hill.	10	128	1	3	6	3	1400	1	300	1	88	60	25	27	24	97	4	5	7	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	239	2	1		
Laurel Circuit.	14	275	4	9	14	4	2500	1	300	1	25	150	80	55	4	55	290	7	3	10	2	1	1	1	1	1	312	2	25		
Lewes & Rehoboth.	30	60	1	4	4	2	1600	1	300	1	100	44	60	20	4	126	3	3	10	2	1	1	1	1	1	1	296	1	1		
Madison.	24	224	8	26	4	1800	1	600	1	123	13	107	70	5	57	239	16	14	30	3	1	1	1	1	1	1	432	9	12		
Nassau.	15	150	1	5	40	7	3600	1	500	1	225	225	20	75	3	25	200	9	8	17	1	1	1	1	1	1	458	4	1		
Slaughter Neck.	14	135	2	2	15	1	1700	1	350	1	20	20	20	3	4	17	1	5	9	1/2	1	1	1	1	1	1	248	1	1		
Smyrna.	9	85	3	1	5	1	3000	1	800	1	300	382	150	95	3	12	67	8	5	9	1/2	1	1	1	1	1	423	6	4		
Seaford.	25	150	1	25	25	3	2150	1	3	1	666	50	195	45	3	15	90	5	5	10	1	1	1	1	1	1	358	1	5		
Townsend.	18	283	5	3	20	1	1850	1	725	1	229	138	334	65	5	48	275	11	11	8	2	1	1	1	1	1	429	1	1		
Vienna.	16	183	5	4	30	1	3000	1	750	1	229	138	334	65	5	48	275	11	11	8	2	1	1	1	1	1	450	6	7		
Total.	366	3278	153	80	412	33	61	50875	13	9125	3287	1527	3767	1118	63	527	2950	158	123	328	19	19	19	19	19	19	7888	867	145		

CHESTERTOWN DISTRICT.—GENERAL STATISTICS, NO. I.

NAMES OF CHARGES.	MEMBERSHIP.				BAPTISMS.				CHURCH PROPERTY.				SUNDAY SCHOOLS.				BENEVOLENT COLLECTIONS.						MINISTERIAL SUPPORT.		OTHER COLLECTIONS.					
	No. Probationers.	No. Full Members.	No. Local Preachers.	No. Deaths.	No. Children.	No. Adults.	No. Churches.	Probable value.	No. Parsonages.	Probable value.	Paid for building and improving Churches and Parsonages.	Paid on old indebtedness on Church property.	Present indebtedness on Church property.	Current expens (sex ton, light, fuel, etc.)	No. Schools.	No. of Officers and Teachers.	No. of Scholars of all ages.	FOR MISSIONS.		For Board of Church Extension.	For Sunday School Union.	For Tract Society.	For Freedmen's Aid Society.	For Education.		For American Bible Society.	For Woman's Foreign Missionary Society.	For Woman's Home Missionary Society.	For Pastor, Presiding Elder, and Bishops.	For Conference Claimants.
																		From Churches.	From Sunday Schools.											
Centreville, Md.	34	305	5	15	25	2	3300	1	1500	1	70	63	60	164	2	36	200	23	7	30	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	877	26	10
Chestertown, Md.	7	225	4	6	24	0	6000	1	1000	1	1240	125	400	162	1	28	237	15	100	115	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	867	26	7
Church Hill, Md.	20	175	3	7	26	3	2650	1	500	1	28	19	50	75	4	29	213	30	18	40	3	1	1	1	1	1	472	55	17	
Crumpton, Md.	25	275	3	7	26	4	3400	1	800	1	28	19	40	75	4	39	170	30	10	5	15	1	1	1	1	1	459	10	16	
Denton, Md.	28	167	2	4	10	2	3900	1	400	1	75	75	40	115	3	23	170	10	5	15	2	1	1	1	1	1	305	4	16	
Easton, Md.	78	162	3	3	25	1	10000	1	1000	1	148	62	809	115	3	25	100	26	14	40	5	1	1	1	1	1	552	12	12	
Fairlee, Md.	10	238	2	4	20	4	4082	1	1000	1	390	10	553	148	5	50	100	20	10	30	1	1	1	1	1	1	566	10	13	
Galena, Md.	16	200	2	6	15	4	1500	1	1100	1	504	350	400	104	4	30	200	20	14	34	5	1	1	1	1	1	356	10	7	
Greensboro, Md.	10	202	2	13	11	5	2500	1	400	1	123	76	277	50	6	30	200	25	10	35	5	1	1	1	1	1	356	2	11	
Kent Island, Md.	27	187	2	9	25	1	2450	1	500	1	30	30	60	30	3	15	225	30	10	30	2	1	1	1	1	1	505	10	4	
Marydel, Md.	25	178	1	5	17	1	1685	1	500	1	30	20	60	30	4	25	100	5	2	7	1	1	1	1	1	1	427	3	4	
Millington, Md.	3	108	1	10	20	3	1000	1	1000	1	143	143	100	41	1	20	122	5	7	10	5	1	1	1	1	1	505	10	21	
Pomonan, Md.	3	180	1	5	15	1	3100	1	700	1	45	100	25	50	3	29	126	5	7	10	5	1	1	1	1	1	391	5	1	
Queenstown, Md.	20	171	2	2	25	4	2200	1	550	1	225	100	1000	50	3	18	125	12	12	12	5	1	1	1	1	1	391	5	1	
Royal Oak	18	171	2	2	15	2	2200	1	550	1	15	15	15	5	10	10	40	5	5	5	1	1	1	1	1	1	391	5	1	
Sassatras, Md.	10	102	2	16	13	4	1010	1	200	1	15	60	400	75	4	10	150	18	20	20	5	1	1	1	1	1	236	2	8	
Skippon, Md.	25	150	2	8	43	4	1500	1	200	1	155	60	400	75	4	52	262	25	15	40	5	1	1	1	1	1	450	2	8	
St. Michaels, Md.	64	381	3	3	42	4	4650	1	1650	1	550	130	46	18	40	50	262	25	15	40	6	1	1	1	1	1	590	13	4	
Still Pond Md.	30	382	2	2	20	4	6000	1	1650	1	1000	375	2150	40	4	20	266	15	25	61	5	1	1	1	1	1	822	5	13	
Talbot, Md.	17	87	2	3	3	4	2000	1	3750	1	700	224	158	231	1	14	85	61	20	10	30	5	1	1	1	1	230	5	1	
Trappe, Md.	37	189	1	8	61	3	3750	1	700	1	224	158	231	1	4	20	185	20	10	30	5	1	1	1	1	1	530	10	31	
Total.	507	4132	48	156	498	29	66	61877	18	10986	4520	2391	14289	1547	67	587	3740	415	259	674	95	19	18	11	135	17	918	154	152	







DOVER DISTRICT—GENERAL STATISTICS, No. 2.  
MINISTERIAL SUPPORT.

NAME OF CHARGE.	NAME OF PASTOR.	PASTORS.		PRES'DNG ELDERS.	BISHOPS.		CONF. CLERG. AMTS.	
		Claims, including rental value of Parsonage, or house rent.	Receipts, including rental value of Parsonages, or house rent.		Amount apportioned.	Amount paid.	Amount apportioned.	Amount paid.
Airey's	C. Earl	275	189	86	40	39	3	4
Bridgetown	G. T. Townsend	430	362	67	31	29	7	12
Cambridge	J. A. Scott	596	596	139	60	60	10	15
Cambridge Circuit	J. H. Griffin	325	186	40	29	37	5	5
Church Creek	L. H. Johnson	100	346	54	46	41	4	12
Camden & Felton	G. W. Downs	566	301	25	43	43	5	7
Dover Station	A. Brown	450	425	42	24	24	2	1
Dover Circuit	J. R. Binkley	425	383	116	31	31	12	4
East New Market	C. O. Warters	240	114	73	16	16	3	6
Federalburg	C. J. Hall	175	175	125	61	55	5	1
Golden Hill	P. Adams	415	290	29	35	35	5	1
Lautel Church	E. A. D. Grigsby	430	421	29	27	27	1	1
Lewis & Rehoboth	W. T. Cole	490	490	118	38	38	2	3
Madison	J. H. Harman	400	241	38	20	20	1	1
Milford	D. J. Waters	300	241	68	26	22	5	5
Nassau	W. B. Green	398	398	75	39	39	9	9
Slaughter Neck	A. J. Handy	406	325	22	77	77	61	61
Smyrna	I. W. Tankford	436	436	8	8	8	5	5
Seaford	F. S. Holly	419	400	8	8	8	64	64
Townsend	F. J. Lee	414	400	8	8	8	5	5
Vienna	D. R. Dunn	7458	6170	1152	355	758	84	61

CHESTERTOWN DISTRICT—GENERAL STATISTICS, No. 2.  
MINISTERIAL SUPPORT.

NAME OF CHARGE.	NAME OF PASTOR.	PASTORS.		PRES'DNG ELDERS.	BISHOPS.		CONF. CLERG. AMTS.	
		Claims, including rental value of Parsonage, or house rent.	Receipts, including rental value of Parsonage, or house rent.		Amount Apportioned.	Amount Paid.	Amount Apportioned.	Amount Paid.
Chestertown, Md.	I. D. Elbert	660	517	143	50	50	6	9
Church Hill, Md.	Wm. E. Thomas	800	800	000	58	58	5	5
Dumpton, Md.	C. H. Hutchins	500	467	33	58	58	6	6
Eden, Md.	J. J. Willis	450	415	35	58	58	6	6
Falton, Md.	M. H. Horsey	415	301	114	47	47	5	5
Galilee, Md.	J. H. Mason	575	335	91	59	59	7	7
Greenbank, Md.	S. E. Adams	446	500	...	39	39	6	6
Keshoboro, Md.	W. J. Moore	500	341	...	64	64	6	6
Mary Island, Md.	I. W. Cook	340	310	55	55	55	3	3
Milldel, Md.	W. H. Rogers	485	381	44	44	44	10	10
Pomona, Md.	G. W. Young	425	335	74	49	49	6	6
Rehoboth, Md.	A. W. Lowder	408	493	28	48	48	6	6
Seyal Oak, Md.	P. Burrows	495	272	80	48	48	3	3
Sherwood, Md.	G. M. Landin	480	400	105	40	40	5	5
St. Michaels, Md.	J. A. Ginnage	460	430	105	50	50	6	6
Still Point, Md.	N. B. Snowden	333	333	...	58	58	7	7
Trappe, Md.	D. J. Brittingham	430	436	...	58	58	5	5
	W. C. Dickerson	550	350	65	46	46	5	7
	M. D. McKenny	325	300	...	54	54	7	7
	J. H. Winters	525	525	...	54	54	107	107
		10175	9150	1027	1100	1034	131	107



SALISBURY DISTRICT.—GENERAL STATISTICS, NO. 2.  
MINISTERIAL SUPPORT.

NAME OF CHARGE.	PASTOR.	PASTORS.		PRES'DNG. BISHOPS.		CONF. CLERG. APTS.	
		Claims, including rental value of Parsonage, or house rent.	Receipts, including rental value of Parsonage or house rent.	Deficiency.	Amount Apportioned.	Amount Paid.	Amount Apportioned.
Accomac.....	J. K. Adams.....	467	467	30	30	6	6
Berlin.....	J. M. Hubbard.....	425	300	32	32	6	6
Blackwater.....	J. W. Brown.....	450	135	36	36	6	6
Christfield.....	L. E. Toulson.....	525	505	35	35	5	5
Deal's Island.....	J. H. Accoce.....	600	600	52	52	10	10
Fairmount.....	J. H. Pearce.....	360	360	47	47	6	6
Fruitland.....	H. T. Rich.....	400	369	35	35	6	6
Hamtown.....	N. Morris.....	410	360	40	40	7	7
Jamestown.....	R. H. Boggs.....	450	361	40	40	10	10
Kingston.....	Wm. H. Johnson.....	480	500	54	54	10	10
Marion.....	J. W. Pinkney.....	400	300	54	54	10	10
Nantuxo Point.....	J. H. Holland.....	550	453	80	80	6	6
Pocomoke City.....	T. B. H. Coleman.....	840	840	30	30	7	7
Princess Anne.....	T. H. Johnson.....	400	400	42	42	6	6
Quantico.....	W. J. Jackson.....	550	550	62	62	10	10
Salisbury.....	E. E. Parker.....	400	327	47	47	6	6
Salisbury Circuit.....	J. O. Dennis.....	500	500	170	170	41	41
Snow Hill.....	J. H. B. Hubbard.....	200	30	33	33	4	4
South Hill Circuit.....	S. G. Waters.....	450	417	49	49	5	5
South Berhn.....	C. A. Horsely.....	428	320	48	48	152	152
Stockton.....	A. J. Wallace.....	418	320	49	49	129	129
Totals.....		9305	8027	1365	840	819	155
Receipt by Dis'ts.....		13349	12311	997	1406	1324	180
Philadelphia.....		7458	6170	1152	853	758	107
Dover.....		10175	9150	1100	1054	131	139
Chestertown.....		9305	8027	1305	840	819	155
Salisbury.....		40347	35658	4541	4201	3955	518
Total last year.....		37257	34440	3193	3056	3439	420
Increase.....		3090	2218	348	545	516	92
Decrease.....							

PHILADELPHIA DISTRICT.—SUNDAY-SCHOOLS.

NAMES OF CHARGES.	STATISTICS														
	No. of Schools.	No. Officers and Teachers	No. Scholars of all ages.	No. of Scholars 15 years old and over.	No. of Scholars under 15 yrs. old, except Inf't Class	No. of Scholars in Infant Class.	Average attendance of Teachers & Scholars.	No. of Library Books.	Total expenses 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 Church Members or Prob'at'ns.	No. of Conversions in S. School this year.
Bainbridge Street, Phila.....	1	20	141	74	20	20	42	104	245	119	15	15	20	70	45
Bridge Street, N. J.....	5	40	120	40	30	30	50	100	200	100	12	12	20	20	15
Cape May, N. J.....	1	8	30	12	10	10	32	64	128	64	8	8	20	20	15
Camden, N. J.....	1	22	108	70	87	87	105	209	418	209	200	200	26	26	5
Delmar and Mt. Holly, N. J.....	2	27	311	182	50	50	79	336	157	157	3	3	16	16	4
Frankford, Pa., Del.....	1	14	65	40	40	40	45	90	180	90	10	10	12	12	6
Germanstown, Pa.....	1	14	75	52	8	8	14	28	56	28	2	2	3	3	6
Havertown, Pa.....	1	15	33	11	75	75	63	126	252	126	17	17	10	10	7
Mt. Zion, N. J.....	1	4	33	11	8	8	14	28	56	28	2	2	3	3	6
New Castle, Pa.....	1	23	237	95	40	40	63	126	252	126	17	17	10	10	7
Odessa, Pa.....	1	11	100	30	20	20	30	60	120	60	8	8	15	15	10
Port Deposit, Pa.....	2	11	88	15	15	15	22	44	88	44	22	22	8	8	4
Salmon Run, Pa.....	2	15	100	30	20	20	30	60	120	60	8	8	15	15	10
South N. J.....	2	11	88	15	15	15	22	44	88	44	22	22	8	8	4
Spring Wilmington.....	2	15	96	50	45	45	23	46	92	46	24	24	8	8	4
Wilmington.....	2	11	88	15	15	15	22	44	88	44	22	22	8	8	4
Wilmington and Atlantic City.....	1	1	154	77	45	45	23	46	92	46	24	24	8	8	4
Merchandiseville, N. J.....	1	12	68	35	20	20	21	42	84	42	15	15	10	10	3
Wilmington Circuit.....	4	36	636	335	217	217	23	46	92	46	10	10	19	19	13
Zion Circuit.....	2	18	137	43	42	42	33	66	132	66	4	4	29	29	18
Cape May Circuit.....	2	25	129	62	33	33	35	70	140	70	5	5	7	7	4
Totals.....	39	407	3533	1881	941	941	797	1594	3187	1594	1273	1273	331	331	859



DOVER DISTRICT.—SUNDAY-SCHOOLS.

NAMES OF CHARGES.	DOVER DISTRICT.—SUNDAY-SCHOOLS.													
	No. of Schools.	No. Officers & Teachers.	No. of Scholars of all ages	No. Scholars 15 years old and over.	No. Scholars under 15 yrs. old, except Infant Class.	No. of Scholars in Infant Class.	Average attendance of Teachers & Scholars.	No. of Library Books.	Total expenses 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 Proba.	No. of Scholars who are Members or Probat' nrs.
Airey's.....	3	27	64	36	10	9	56	189	12	8	12	4	13	5
Bridgeville.....	3	21	92	52	30	10	14	201	8	8	24	32	65	5
Cambridge Station.....	1	15	191	42	74	100	180	32	5	2	20	9	10	0
Cambridge Circuit.....	3	35	116	65	25	35	95	150	11	5	24	3	6	1
Church Creek.....	4	36	100	50	25	25	15	300	11	2	40	12	10	4
Camden and Felton.....	4	5	36	6	10	10	65	200	2	2	4	5	80	14
Dover Station.....	1	12	112	50	4	17	120	195	12	10	16	10	10	1
Dover Circuit.....	4	13	102	80	30	32	165	422	10	10	3	4	18	8
East Newmarket.....	4	44	270	116	98	56	65	204	40	3	4	21	10	10
Federalshurg.....	2	16	94	49	30	17	150	250	25	25	12	3	3	10
Golden Hill.....	4	16	97	24	26	15	172	321	14	10	15	15	14	10
Laurel Circuit.....	4	55	290	180	51	51	70	149	14	20	0	0	0	0
Lewis and Rehoboth.....	2	13	126	42	84	26	70	149	14	20	0	0	0	0
Madison.....	5	51	239	127	71	41	172	321	14	20	0	0	0	0
Milford.....	3	25	200	75	60	65	55	171	5	5	0	0	0	0
Nassau.....	3	10	110	29	31	10	44	100	30	30	18	20	38	11
Slaughter Neck.....	3	12	67	32	23	12	50	175	11	11	38	45	48	17
Smyrna.....	3	15	90	45	35	34	74	140	6	6	0	0	0	0
Seaford.....	1	25	114	55	40	10	65	140	81	81	0	0	0	0
Townsend.....	3	18	105	58	40	10	195	100	20	20	498	547	704	35
Vienna.....	5	48	275	123	83	69	195	100	335	201	0	0	0	0
Totals.....	62	520	2930	1316	926	719	1730	3848	335	201	498	547	704	35

CHESTERTOWN DISTRICT.—SUNDAY-SCHOOLS.

NAMES OF CHARGES.	CHESTERTOWN DISTRICT.—SUNDAY-SCHOOLS.													
	No. of Schools.	No. Officers and Teachers.	No. of Scholars of all ages.	No. of Scholars 15 years old and over.	No. of Scholars under 15 except infant class.	No. of Scholars in Infant Class.	Average attendance of Teachers and Scholars.	No. of Library Books.	Total expenses 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 Church Members or Probat' nrs.
Centerville, Md.....	2	36	200	52	96	54	83	197	23	23	10	34	10	14
Church Hill, Md.....	1	28	237	37	100	100	08	130	15	15	0	33	50	25
Crump Hill, Md.....	1	29	225	108	7	108	140	1500	15	15	6	20	20	6
Denison, Md.....	3	39	213	100	70	43	135	200	22	22	20	25	40	7
Easton, Md.....	5	25	170	45	85	40	85	300	32	32	14	30	60	13
Galilee, Md.....	1	25	200	150	40	170	76	400	4	4	9	26	14	10
Greenland, Md.....	5	30	200	70	80	58	150	550	5	5	10	15	50	10
Kent Island, Md.....	4	30	200	68	74	58	150	350	2	2	10	15	30	10
Maryland, Md.....	3	15	225	50	45	60	90	150	2	2	12	17	20	10
Millfield, Md.....	4	15	160	37	26	56	00	150	11	11	8	15	41	10
Owens, Md.....	1	20	122	45	41	40	75	100	17	17	12	2	75	10
Rochester, Md.....	3	18	125	45	30	50	75	325	23	23	5	5	105	39
Royal Oak, Md.....	3	15	166	40	31	95	75	2	2	2	25	10	105	39
Sassafras, Md.....	2	20	150	10	10	40	40	867	49	49	20	40	6	5
St. Michaels, Md.....	4	20	150	10	10	40	40	867	49	49	20	40	6	5
St. Mary, Md.....	5	52	202	137	102	40	235	350	10	10	24	18	12	32
St. Paul, Md.....	4	50	200	120	13	23	140	30	22	22	24	18	12	32
Thrippes, Md.....	4	14	85	25	64	60	42	170	2	2	25	218	455	251
Totals.....	71	590	3741	1183	1004	880	8073	6584	270	270	25	218	455	251



SALISBURY DISTRICT.—SUNDAY-SCHOOLS.

NAMES OF CHARGES.	SUNDAY-SCHOOLS.														
	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 expenses 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 in School this year.
Accomac, Va.	5	30	330	180	90	60	200	30	4	1	6	7	15	15	15
Berlin, Md.	2	20	200	108	47	38	12	168	18	1	1	1	30	20	12
Blackwater, Del.	4	24	200	181	90	50	120	400	25	1	1	6	14	14	13
Christfield, Md.	4	18	181	130	40	11	100	305	45	1	1	15	16	16	14
Deal's Island, Md.	4	28	200	92	64	54	143	245	22	1	1	35	20	20	18
Farmount, Md.	4	16	169	62	36	71	108	397	44	1	1	12	10	10	14
Fruitland, Md.	1	21	221	100	100	21	140	300	15	1	1	10	10	10	18
Horntown, Va.	5	20	160	91	43	26	125	226	5	1	1	12	12	12	11
Jamestown, Md.	4	19	111	50	43	18	85	142	15	1	1	8	31	31	11
Kingston, Md.	2	23	116	56	28	32	80	280	22	1	1	20	20	20	11
Marion, Md.	3	3	150	55	59	36	100	145	5	1	1	37	21	21	14
Nantocke P. Mt., Md.	5	58	303	106	112	85	225	624	68	3	5	12	20	20	44
Pocomoke City, Md.	3	25	380	65	255	30	300	125	120	3	1	37	16	16	19
Princess Anne, Md.	3	20	180	70	70	68	145	225	10	1	1	15	14	14	10
Quantico, Md.	2	23	191	61	62	35	169	400	35	1	1	36	25	25	12
Salisbury, Md.	4	20	90	70	20	10	75	400	35	1	1	5	5	5	12
Salisbury Circuit, Md.	2	15	200	135	30	35	169	71	17	1	1	35	35	35	12
Snow Hill, Md.	3	36	85	51	20	10	140	200	17	1	1	17	17	17	12
Snow Hill Circuit, Md.	4	24	150	100	30	34	100	200	60	1	1	408	408	408	125
S Stockton, Md.	5	33	250	100	64	34	100	60	15	1	1	305	305	305	125
Totals.....	67	505	3745	1711	1194	687	2384	4353	510	3	197	305	589	589	589
Recapitulation by Districts															
Philadelphia.....	39	407	3533	1881	941	797	2005	4597	1247	20	1273	321	541	541	541
Dover.....	62	520	2950	1316	926	719	1730	3848	535	20	498	51	86	86	86
Chestertown.....	71	590	3741	1183	1004	880	2073	6684	270	3	197	408	408	408	125
Salisbury.....	67	505	3745	1711	1194	687	2384	4353	510	3	197	305	589	589	589
Totals this year.....	239	2022	13069	6091	4065	3083	8192	19682	3362	60	222	2994	1831	1831	1831
Totals last year.....	222	1959	13084	5793	3060	2748	7979	17047	2244	60	222	2100	1753	1753	1753
Increase.....	17	63	885	298	999	335	213	1635	118	37	143	194	79	79	79
Decrease.....															

MINUTES  
OF  
Lay Electoral Conference.

DOVER, DEL., April 20th, 1888.

The Lay Electoral Conference convened at Whatcoat M. E. Church. The Conference was called to order by Wm. H. Perkins. On motion, W. H. Perkins was elected Chairman, Thomas Oving Secretary. The session was opened with singing and prayer. A Committee was appointed on Credentials. A bar was then fixed. The Committee on Credentials reported as follows:

Philadelphia District, No. of delegates, 17. Dover District, No. of delegates, 16. Chestertown District, No. of delegates, 18. Salisbury District, No. of delegates, 18. John Bailey, and Wm. Saunders, were appointed tellers. On motion we go into nomination; nominees Wm. Perkins, B. O. Bird, E. L. Briddell, Emory Nicholas, Wm. Grinnage. Benjamin O. Bird, and E. L. Briddell, were duly elected. Adjournment.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

The meeting was opened by Emory Nicholas. Nominees as reserves were W. F. Morgan, Cyrus W. Moore, Emory Nicholas. Bros. W. F. Morgan of Philadelphia District, and Emory Nicholas of Chestertown District, were duly elected reserves to the General Conference. On motion a committee was appointed to draw Resolutions, for the committee to present to the Annual Conference. Committee, Wm. Perkins, S. G. Chalmers, Ed. Reed. The committee will write, and read the same by Rev. S. P. Whittington, after which the meeting closed with the Benediction by Rev. S. P. Whittington.



# Missionary Collections.

PRINCESS ANNE, MD.

METROPOLITAN M. E. CHURCH, REV. THOS. H. JOHNSON, PASTOR.

James Elzie.....	50	Elizabeth Banks.....	50
Alexander Washington.....	50	Margaret Handy.....	50
Jno. Gale and wife.....	1 00	Henry Smith.....	50
Emily Collins.....	50	Jane Dennis.....	50
Jacob Holland and wife.....	1 00	Agnes Morris.....	50
Eliza Dennis.....	50	Alice Dashiell.....	50
Mary E. Gale.....	50	Sarah Wilson.....	50
Jerome Wilson.....	50	Elizabeth Taylor.....	50
Littleton Waters.....	50	Annie Elzie.....	50
Edward J. Dennis.....	50	Jane Pollitt.....	50
Leah King.....	50	Lizzie Bowland.....	50
Charlotte Whitelock.....	50	Emory Johnson.....	50
Susan A. Wynder.....	50	Charles Nisky.....	50
Mary A. Wilson.....	50	James H. Dennis.....	50
Martha King.....	50	Elizabeth B. King.....	50
Charlotte Hayman.....	50	Robert Dashiell.....	50
Betsy Miles.....	50	Henry Morris.....	50
Serenda Dennis.....	50	Cora A. Waters.....	50
W. H. Hayman.....	50	Minnie G. Lovett.....	50
Wm. Hayman.....	50	Gracie Hardy.....	50
Susan King.....	50	Levan Dashiell.....	50
Sarah Hayman.....	50	William Nutter.....	50
Henry Ballard.....	50	Sarah Carroll.....	50
Emma Nutter.....	50	Arnold Dennis.....	25
Sandy Bowland.....	50	Esther Smith.....	25
B. O. Bird and wife.....	1 00	Charles Bowens.....	50
Rev. Thos. H. Johnson and wife.....	1 00	Edward Dennis.....	25
Philip B. Warrick.....	50	George Renshaw.....	25
Nellie Woolford.....	50	Sarah Dennis.....	25
E. Gertrude Woolford.....	50	Anthony B. Waters.....	25
Fortune Woolford and wife.....	1 00	Esther Gale.....	25
Adam Martin.....	50	Robert Bibbins.....	25
Lazarus Maddox.....	50	W. E. Waters.....	25
Louisa Deal.....	50	Henry Hayman.....	25
Charles Dennis.....	50	Jane Waters.....	25
Robert Gale.....	50	Daniel Bailey.....	25
Moses Carroll.....	50	Matilda Bailey.....	25
Spencer Dennis.....	50	Mary Bailey.....	25
Samuel King.....	50	John Whalen.....	25
Rosy King.....	50	Levin Pollitt.....	25
Sandy Cottman.....	50	Edward Deal.....	25
Sarah Carroll.....	50	John Morris.....	25
Wesley Banks.....	50	Rosy Waters.....	25
David Cottman.....	50	Ethen E. King.....	25
Silas Wright.....	25		

CHESTER CHARGE, PENN.

A. W. Hamilton.....	25	Edward Perrigeon.....	25
M. E. Hamilton.....	25	Benjamin Granger.....	25

T. V. Camper.....	40	Eliza Young.....	25
Ellis Watts.....	25	Alfred Lawrence.....	25
Absalom Parson.....	25	Martha Glanden.....	25
Thomas Neal.....	25	Rosy Phillips.....	25
John A. Watts.....	25	Sarah Lisby.....	25
Moses Young.....	50	Annie Elbert.....	25
James Nicholas.....	25	Hannah Hackett.....	25
Daniel Purdy.....	25	Harriet Brown.....	25
Robert Wilson.....	25	William Thomas.....	25
Robert Tumey.....	50	Ruthey Mastin.....	25
Endless Holm.....	25	Annie Johns.....	25
Katie Watts.....	25	Louisa Gibbs.....	25
James Clayton.....	50	Maggie Sheppard.....	25
James A. Richardson.....	25	Mary Parson.....	25
James Turner.....	25	Rebecca Neal.....	25
Samuel Clayton.....	50	Bulah Purdy.....	25
George Furr.....	25	Rachel Rothwell.....	25
Henry Lisby.....	25	Joseph Ringgold.....	25
Thomas Carroll.....	25	Annie Anderson.....	25
Harry Tilghman.....	25	Catharine Turner.....	25
William T. Andrewson.....	25	Robert Webster.....	25
Charles Owens.....	25	Lizzie Wesley.....	25
S. Lisby.....	25	George Wesley.....	25
Sarah Clayton.....	25	Maria Wesley.....	25
Amanda Clayton.....	25	Mary J. Young.....	25
Annie Ennis.....	25	Isaac Lawrence.....	25
Louisa Pitts.....	25	Andrew Parker.....	25
Daniel Pitts.....	25	Mary Parker.....	25
Ellar Hamilton.....	25	Solemn Showells.....	25
James Page.....	25	Louvina Showells.....	25
Joseph Johns.....	25	John H. Raymond.....	25
Nathaniel Anderson.....	25	Elisha Showells.....	25
Louisa Taylor.....	25	Samuel Doman.....	25
Molton Young.....	25	Fannie Wilson.....	25
Annie Gibbs.....	25	Mollie Hollins.....	25
Sarah Tumey.....	25	Amanda Miller.....	25
Benjamin Raisin.....	25	Harriet Doman.....	25
Emily Chaney.....	25	Julia Doman.....	25
William Cork.....	25	Samuel James.....	25
Mary Cork.....	25	Tamy Mosier.....	25
Emily Harris.....	25	Washington Mosier.....	25
Basil Washington.....	25	William Derry.....	25
Joseph Redding.....	25	Lizzie Craig.....	25
Jacob Reed.....	25	Walker Harris.....	25
Charles Camper.....	25	Eliza Harris.....	25
Ida Bryant.....	25	Henry Lisby.....	25
Zorah Bryant.....	25	Lafayette Hollingsworth.....	25
Sophia Reed.....	25	Martin Mastin.....	25
Ehza Cartey.....	25	Annie R. Richardson.....	25
Katie Hollis.....	25	Lizzie Emory.....	25
Nerva Hollis.....	25	Thomas Emory.....	25
Susie Camper.....	25	Harriet Green.....	25
Sarah Camper.....	25	George Hackett.....	25
James M. Corney.....	25	Emory Ringgold.....	25
Florence Lockwood.....	25	Elizabeth Ringgold.....	25
George R. Holmes.....	25	Caroline Spencer.....	25
		Hester Righley.....	25



Mary Holmes.....	25
George R. Hickman.....	25
James Steward.....	25
Mary Pitts.....	25
James Hickman.....	25
Joseph R. Craig.....	25
Annie Foreman.....	25
Mary F. Fountain.....	25
Caesar Green.....	25
Annie Collins.....	25
John W. Parker.....	25
Mary Collins.....	25
Lizzie Jones.....	25
Henry Fountain.....	25
Sarah Green.....	25
Gertrude Whallen.....	25
Andrew Righley.....	25
Thomas Foreman.....	25
Mary E. Walker.....	25
Robert Elzy.....	25
Francis Elzy.....	25
Andrew Roberson.....	25
Mary Roberson.....	25

Charles Milbourn.....	25
Douglass Price.....	25
Zacharia Perrigeon.....	25
Mary Owens.....	25
Charles Turner.....	25
Annie Young.....	25
Cedonia Carroll.....	25
Nettie Freeman.....	25
Harriet Green.....	25
William Nicholas.....	25
Samuel Nicholas.....	25
Mary Lawrence.....	25
Maliinda Thomas.....	25
William Gmby.....	50
Maggie Gumbly.....	25
John Jourdan.....	25
Susan Johnson.....	25
George A. Brown.....	25
Jacob Lisby.....	25
William King.....	25
C. T. Anderson.....	25
M F. Watts.....	25
Mr. Demby.....	25

ZION CHURCH WILMINGTON.

Mrs. John Green.....	I 00
George H. Bates.....	I 00
Susan Denney.....	I 00
Sarah J. Doane.....	I 00
Francis Reading.....	I 00
Lewis Hinson.....	I 00
James V. Seals.....	I 00
Maggie Caldwell.....	I 25
Annie Ganes.....	I 00
Alphonza Price.....	I 00
Mary Spencer.....	I 00
Mary Durham.....	I 00
John Johnson.....	I 00
Mrs. DuPont.....	I 00
E. Thompson.....	I 00
Moses America.....	I 00
H. Murray.....	I 00
Mary Turlington.....	I 00
Algia Stanley.....	I 00
Alfred Wilson.....	I 00
Mrs. Murray.....	I 00
Samuel Spencer.....	I 00
Eliza Holland.....	I 00
Simon Chase.....	I 00
Caleb G. Laws.....	I 00
Margaret Songs.....	I 00
Mary A. Fountain.....	2 00
Annie Jackson.....	I 00
Eddie Fountain.....	I 00
Lizzie Boyer.....	I 00
Henrietta Jones.....	I 00
Annie Ferrell.....	I 00

Martha Brooks.....	I 00
James Roles.....	I 00
Emma View.....	I 00
Charlotte Gibbs.....	I 00
Ida Backus.....	I 00
Edna Gibbs.....	I 00
Isabella Dunn.....	I 00
Emeline Frisby.....	I 00
Mary Butler.....	I 00
Laura Massey.....	I 00
Jemima Peterson.....	I 00
Susanna Huston.....	I 00
Rebecca Jenkins.....	I 00
John C. Shockley.....	I 00
Thomas Brinkley.....	I 00
Wm. H. Buck.....	I 00
Mary Bostic.....	I 00
Mary Clay.....	I 00
Robert J. Trusty.....	I 00
Susan Demby.....	I 00
Henrietta Hodges.....	I 00
Clinton Groves.....	I 00
Allen Medford.....	I 00
Sarah Chandler.....	I 00
Mary A. Stevenson.....	I 00
Mary A. Tippet.....	I 00
Rachel Tippet.....	I 00
Sadie Bolden.....	I 00
Maggie Warfield.....	I 00
Fannie Wilson.....	I 00
Annie M. Spencer.....	I 00
Aurella Wilson.....	I 00

Hattie Bruce.....	I 00
Annie Gould.....	I 00
Cora Trusty.....	I 00
Wm. H. Caldwell, Jr.....	I 00
Janie Waters.....	I 00
Annie Daniels.....	I 00
Naomi Shockley.....	I 00
Jane Fountain.....	I 00
Annie Emory.....	I 00
Clementina Fountain.....	I 00
Mary Tilghman.....	I 00
Amy Wye.....	I 00
Rebecca Morris.....	2 00
Eliza J. Benton.....	I 00
Joseph Dixon.....	I 00
J. Westley Brown.....	I 00
Mary S. Benton.....	I 00
Mrs. McFarland.....	I 00
Nathaniel Smallwood.....	I 00
Charles H. View.....	I 00
George Ferrell.....	I 00
Thomas Leonard.....	I 00
Hannah Rhoades.....	I 00
Lucretia Cottman.....	I 00
Horace Coulter.....	I 00
Charles George.....	I 00
Sarah Waters.....	I 00
Noah Waters.....	I 00
Wm. H. Caldwell, Sr.....	I 00
Annie Harris.....	I 00
John M. Kirkman.....	I 00
Roxilena Kirkman.....	I 00
Amelia Layton.....	I 00
Annie Shorts.....	I 00
Mary Batson.....	I 00
Harry Irons.....	I 00
Thomas T. Crowford.....	I 00
Martha Spencer.....	I 00
Comfort A. View.....	I 00
Mrs. W. P. Robinson.....	I 00
Mrs. Sarah Gould.....	I 00
Georgeanna Wilmon.....	I 00
Mary Hackett.....	I 00
Fannie R. Wilson.....	I 00
A. A. Riddick.....	I 00
Matilda Davis.....	I 00
M. F. Brown.....	II 00
Annie M. Lyons.....	I 00
M. E. Bleen.....	I 00
Rebecca Anderson.....	I 00
Katie Boyer.....	I 00
Estella Allison.....	I 00
J. H. Lowber.....	I 00
Julia G. Ragland.....	I 00
Annie Robinson.....	I 00
Martha Cooper.....	I 00
Lydia E. Mason.....	I 00

Hannah Preston.....	I 00
Laura M. Caldwell.....	I 00
Maurice W. Spencer.....	I 50
Eliza Preston.....	I 00
Nehemiah B. Waters.....	I 00
Sadie Buck.....	I 00
Georganna Simpson.....	I 00
James R. Shockley.....	I 00
Eliza Allen.....	I 00
Joseph Smallwood.....	I 00
Ariminta Jenkins.....	I 00
Lizzie Rogers.....	I 00
Thomas Bird.....	I 00
Sarah Henry.....	I 00
Abner Driggins.....	I 00
Samuel Ringold.....	I 00
Mary Leonard.....	I 00
Leah Bristor.....	I 00
Annie Gibson.....	I 00
Amanda Wallace.....	I 00
Mary H. Brown.....	I 25
Horace Doane.....	I 00
Percy Wellington.....	I 00
Charles Sullivan.....	I 00
Cora Doane.....	I 00
Rosie Morris.....	I 00
Thomas D. Myers.....	I 00
George E. Bell.....	I 00
Mary E. Burrows.....	I 00
Sarah Woodland.....	I 00
Rhoda Wilson.....	I 00
Alexandra Wilson.....	I 00
Sarah Bristor.....	I 00
Francis Burk.....	I 00
Sophia Williams.....	I 00
William E. Hodges.....	I 00
Emma Wilmore.....	I 00
Charles Gant.....	I 00
Pocohontas White.....	I 00
Addie Kenny.....	I 00
Mary Hollis.....	I 00
H. C. Foster.....	I 00
Ester Griffin.....	I 00
Josephine Stafford.....	I 00
Alice Blackwell.....	I 00
Ella Pryor.....	I 00
Susan Wilmore.....	I 00
Eliza Howard.....	I 00
Mary Medford.....	I 00
Lucy Kinsey.....	I 00
Clara E. Boyer.....	I 00
Lydia Congo.....	I 00
T. Gongo.....	I 00
Lena Hollis.....	I 00
Edith M. Brown.....	I 00
Hannah Watson.....	I 00
M. E. Waters.....	I 00



Addie Brown.....	I 00
Martha Paskins.....	I 00
Annie Russel.....	I 00
Mary Peters.....	I 00
Martha E. Young.....	I 00
W. H. Ashley.....	I 00
Mary Gatewood.....	I 00
Sophia Nixon.....	I 00
Susanna Burk.....	I 00
Martha Mills.....	I 00
S. J. Shockley.....	I 00
P. E. Johns.....	I 00
Hester J. Banks.....	I 00
Daisy Bell.....	I 00

WILMINGTON CIRCUIT—D. A. RIDOUT, PASTOR.

Wm. Tiney,  
 Emma Tiney,  
 Mary Manluff,  
 Sarah A. Collins,  
 Moses Nichols,  
 Katie Lee,  
 Margaret Calk;  
 I. E. Carty,  
 L. H. Collins,  
 Leander Thomas,  
 Emma Bull,  
 Oscar Foreman,  
 John Grooms,  
 Susan Canon,  
 Geo. Washington,  
 Chas. Hutchins,  
 James Whartonberry,  
 Francis Jefferson,  
 Emeline Taylor,  
 Sarah Tilman,  
 Addie Davis,  
 Sarah J. Syars,  
 Clara Thompson,  
 Lavinia Thompson.

Hattie Jackson.....	I 00
Lydie Dennis.....	I 00
Maggie Congo.....	I 00
S. L. Cropper.....	I 00
Susan Cornish.....	I 00
Maggie Hackett.....	I 00
Henrietta Backus.....	I 00
Edith Young.....	I 00
Elijah Comegys.....	I 00
Anne Jefferson.....	I 00
S. E. Grinnage.....	I 00
S. A. Jenkins.....	I 00
and others whose names we did not get.	

Mary Dickerson,  
 Samuel Segers,  
 Ellis Jefferson,  
 Maria Anderson,  
 Ida C. Carty,  
 Maggie Evans,  
 Lydia Guy,  
 Ocea Davis,  
 Stella Garrison,  
 Carrie Smith,  
 D. A. Ridont,  
 J. M. Winchester,  
 J. H. Ringgold,  
 Milton Brown,  
 Lottie Lumbus,  
 Amelia Lambert,  
 Catharine Cambridge,  
 Leah J. Williams,  
 Anna Conner,  
 Allie Clark,  
 May Thompson,  
 Selina Cook,  
 Philip Tillman,

MARION CHURCH REV. J. W. PINKNEY, PASTOR.

David P. Ward.....	3 05
James D. Johnson.....	3 00
Salary Miles.....	2 00
Anna Gumby.....	2 00
Frankie E. Green.....	I 00
Martin V. Waters.....	2 50
Mrs. M. W. Johnson.....	2 44
Mrs. J. C. Burnett.....	70
Theodore Bell.....	I 04
Ada Johnson.....	I 40
John Curtis.....	I 00
Thomas Cane.....	2 00
Horace Cottman.....	75
Augusta Ward.....	I 00
Henry Ward.....	I 00

Mattie J. Russ.....	52
George Horsey.....	50
Wesley Purnell.....	50
Peter Roberts.....	55
Adaline Potter.....	60
Joanna Horsey.....	60
Julia Outen.....	70
Georgeanna Outen.....	I 00
Arthur Fountain.....	I 00
W. H. T. Colburn.....	I 00
Cornelius Horsey.....	I 00
John Waters.....	I 00
Wesley Whittington.....	I 00
Martha Jerrel.....	I 00
Emily Wise.....	54

Hariot Ward.....	2 17
Elisha Horsey.....	55
Nancy Downs.....	50
Hennie Bell.....	62

John Roberts.....	50
Annie Holland.....	I 49
Henrietta Highland.....	69

QUEENSTOWN CIRCUIT, MD.—REV. G. M. LANDIN, PASTOR.  
 Rev. G. M. Landin,  
 W. Perry Lee,  
 Edward Thomas,  
 Sarah Thomas,  
 Delia Williams,  
 Wm. Carter,  
 Ella Grinnell,  
 Jas. W. Heath,  
 Henry Hazleton,  
 Andrew Jackson,  
 Geo. W. Scott,  
 Jethrow Carroll,  
 Mariah Forman,  
 Annie Hazleton,  
 Wm. Demby,  
 Alex Watkins,  
 Bertie Gibbs,  
 Geo. Conyer,  
 Edward Polk,  
 Robert Conyer,  
 Samuel Wilson,  
 Spencer Conyer,  
 Geo. Griffin, Jr.,

—REV. G. M. LANDIN, PASTOR.  
 Chas. Fisher,  
 Mary Boser,  
 Mary William,  
 Piphoney Wilson,  
 Wm. Conyer,  
 Wm. Reddick,  
 Elizabeth A. Landin,  
 Arma A. Handy,  
 Emmeline Handy,  
 Martha Gould,  
 Jno. Anderson,  
 Laura Roberts,  
 Sarah Curtis,  
 Martha Curtis,  
 Carrie Murrh,  
 Sarah Hollis,  
 Susie Halkins,  
 Mary Raley,  
 Charles Halkins,  
 B. Gould,  
 E. Brilen,  
 Emma Newman,  
 Clarance Numan,

ZOAR M. E. CHURCH, J. H. RIDDICK, PASTOR.

Laura Griffin.....	I 00
Mrs. E. Middleton.....	I 00
Jennie Burton.....	I 00
T. H. Hutchins.....	I 00
Rachel Comegys.....	I 00
Fannie Wilson.....	I 00
Mary Smith.....	I 00
Mary E. LeCount.....	I 00
Lucy E. Simmons.....	I 00
Chas. H. Dorsey.....	I 00
Mary Vandine.....	I 00
Alfred T. Horsey.....	I 00
Samuel Fleming.....	I 00
John Lewis.....	I 00
John Pruitt.....	I 00
J. Marshall Pipes.....	I 00
George Holden.....	I 00
Martha Jenkins.....	I 00
W. P. Robinson.....	I 00
E. F. Harris.....	I 00
Lucretia Jones.....	I 00
Rebecca R. Holden.....	I 00
Sarah Hall.....	I 00
Samuel G. Pennington.....	I 00
Thos Coursey.....	I 00
Henry Burk.....	I 00
A. H. Bantum.....	I 00
Jones Harris.....	I 00

J. H. RIDDICK, PASTOR.....	I 00
Hattie Wilmore.....	I 00
Ida Clark.....	I 00
Martha Cooper.....	I 00
Henrietta Horsey.....	I 00
Louisa Penn.....	I 00
Jesse Johnson.....	I 00
Sarah S. Smith.....	I 00
Rebecca Barnett.....	I 00
Sewell H. Hodges.....	I 00
Laura B. Handy.....	I 00
Wm. T. Harmon.....	I 00
Henrietta Dorsey.....	I 00
Susanna Burk.....	I 00
Jacob A. Jefferis.....	I 00
J. Hudson Riddick.....	I 00
Mrs. Jane Gibson.....	50
Robert Scott.....	50
Jennie Frazier.....	50
Mary Frazier.....	50
J. Cannon.....	50
Samuel Mitchell.....	50
Sarah J. Murray.....	50
Mrs. Amanda Scott.....	50
J. Paskins.....	50
Wm. H. C. Young.....	50
Susan A. Orr.....	50
B. B. Lee.....	50
Isaac Pennick.....	50



Wm. P. Hollians.....	I 00
Ross D. Britt.....	I 00
Sarah Gould.....	I 00
John H. Grinnage.....	50
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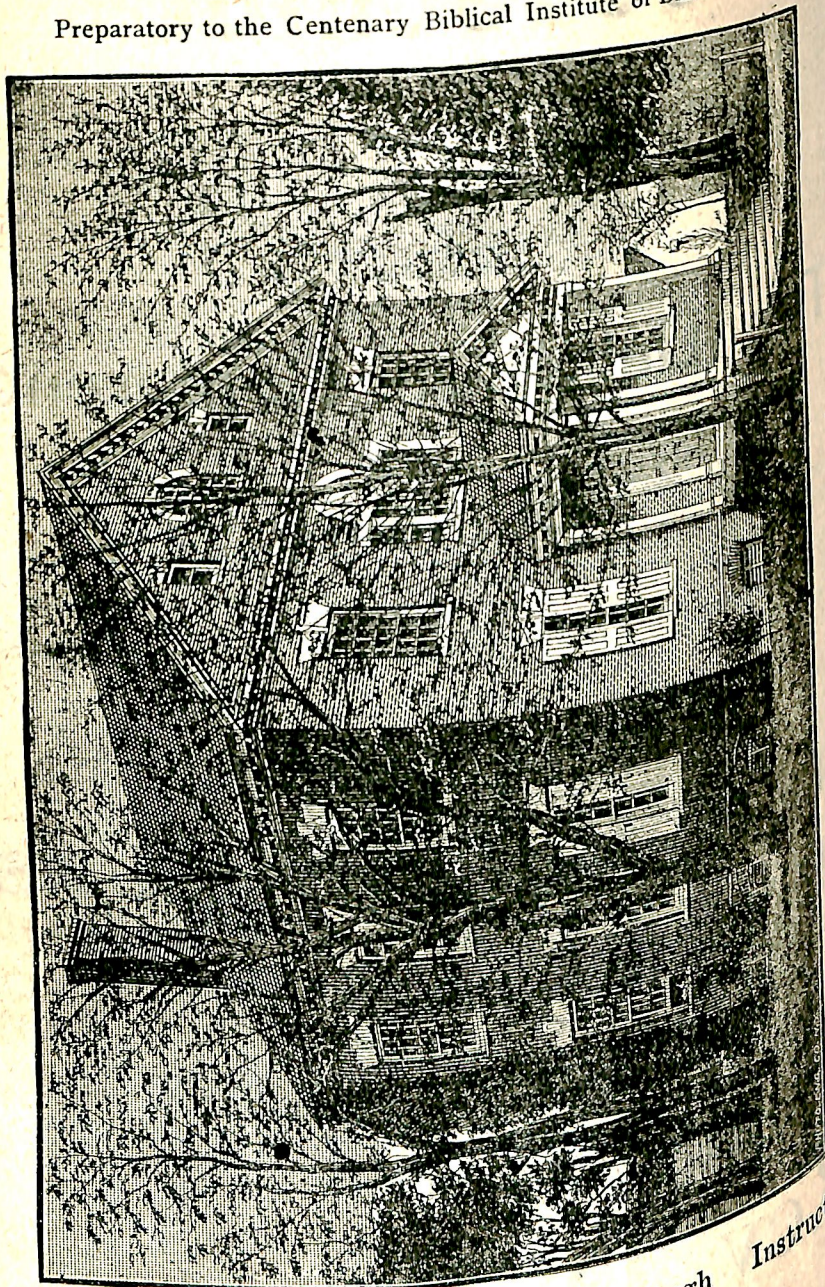
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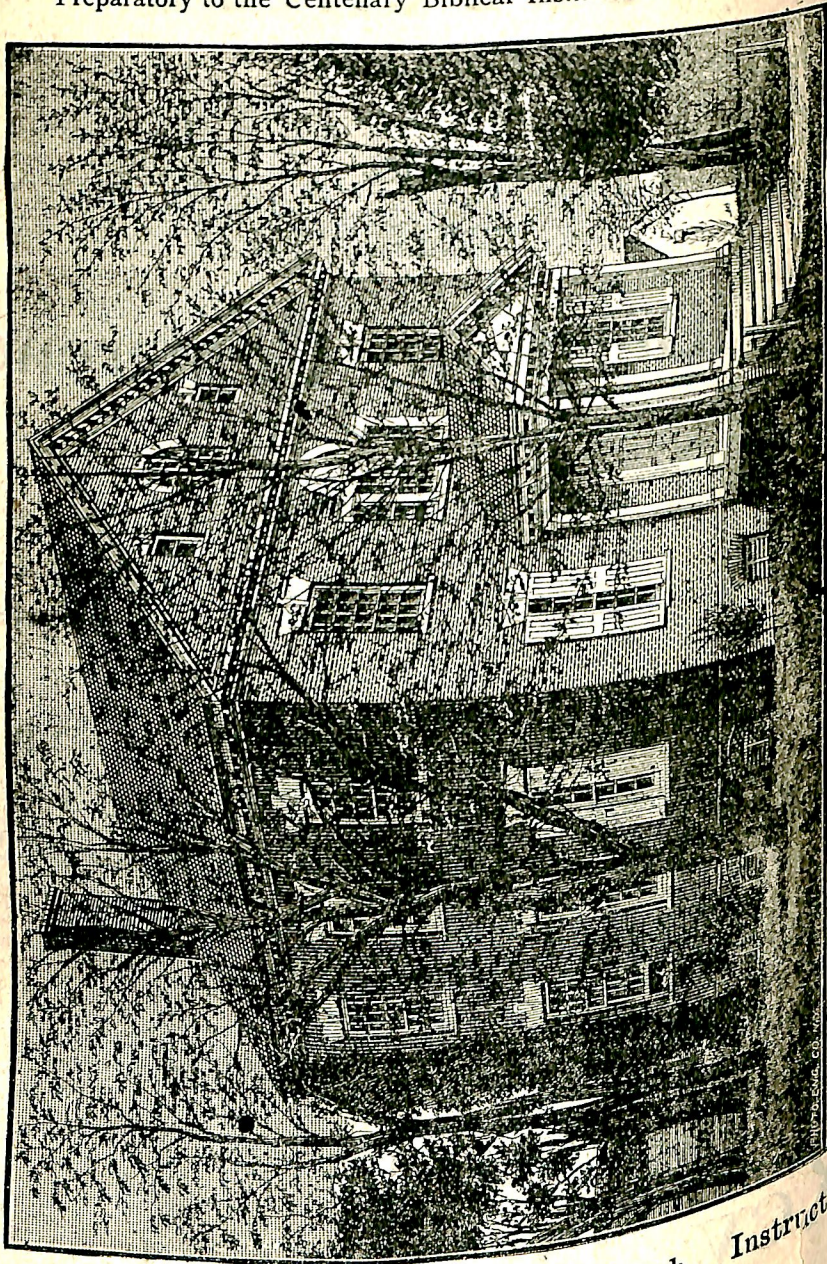
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