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69	McCallister, C. W.	Surry,	Jones' Wharf, Va.
70	McCready, G. R.	Union,	Sharptown, Wicomico co., Md.
71	McCullough, C. E.	Frederick (A.),	Kempton, Frederick co., Md.
72	McGregor, E. R.	Potomac,	Balston, Alexandria co., Va.
73	Melvin, A. D.	Pocomoke City,	Pocomoke City, Md.
74	Mills, J. L.	Westminster,	Westminster, Carroll co., Md.
75	Mullineaux, F. H.	Milton,	Milton, Sussex co., Del.
76	Murray, J. J.	St. John's,	115 N. Liberty st., Balto., Md.
77	Murray, J. T.	Pipe Creek,	Uniontown, Carroll co., Md. [D.C.
78	Murray, S. R.	Central,	1526 Columbia st., N.W. Wash'g't'n,
79	Neeper, W. J.	Somerset,	Marion Station, Somerset co., Md.
80	Nichols, J. K.	Superannuate,	Johnsville, Frederick co., Md.
81	Nichols, J. R.	Anne Arundel (A.),	Odenton, Anne Arundel co., Md.
82	Nicholson, J. E.	First Church,	500 Va. ave., S.E. Washington, D.C.
83	Norris, J. W.	Pocomoke,	West, Somerset co., Md.
84	Norris, R. S.	Superannuate,	1515 E. Biddle st., Balto., Md.
85	Ohrum, S. C.	Delta,	Fawn Grove, York co., Pa.
86	Phillips, W. S.	Jefferson (A.),	Buckeystown, Md.
87	Poial, W. M.	St. Michael's,	St. Michael's, Md.
88	Rowe, R. S.	Washington-St.,	18 N. Washington st., Balto., Md.
89	Sheridan, J. M.	Jefferson,	Buckeystown, Frederick co., Md.
90	Shreeve, Jesse,	Howard,	Clarksville, Howard co., Md.
91	Simpson, Elmer,	Campbell,	Marysville, Va.
92	Smith, G. J.	Crumpton,	Crumpton, Queen Anne's co., Md.
93	Smith, R. T.	Without appoint.	1521 12th st., N.W. Wash'g't'n, D.C.
94	Smith, S. J.	Queen Anne's,	Ruthsburg, Queen Anne's co., Md.
95	Southerland, S. B.	Superannuate.	
96	Stone, W. H.	Pittsville,	Pittsville, Wicomico co., Md.
97	Straughn, J. L.	Hampden,	Woodberry, Md.
98	Strayer, W. M.	President,	42 Parkin st., Balto., Md.
99	Sullivan, J. G.	Superannuate.	
100	Tagg, F. T.	Board of Missions,	Easton, Talbot co., Md.
101	Thompson, C. M.	Harrington,	Harrington, Del.
102	Thompson, James,	Superannuate,	Westminster, Md.
103	Tredway, S. B.	St. James,	esville, Kent co., Md.
104	Trout, J. W.	Easton,	Easton, Talbot co., Md.
105	Truitt, B. P.	Chincoteague,	Chincoteague Island, Va.
106	Valiant, T. D.	Superannuate.	
107	Vandyke, E. H.	Cumberland,	99 Bedford st., Cumberland, Md.
108	Walter, A. J.	Powellville,	Powellville, Wicomico co., Md.
109	Ward, J. T.	W. T. Seminary,	Westminster, Md.
110	Warfield, E. A.	Without appoint.	
111	Webster, A.	St. John's, P. Em's,	127 Laurens st., Baltimore, Md.
112	Weigand, J. A.	Superannuate,	Milton, Del.
113	White, W. W.	Felton,	Felton, Del.
114	Williamson, R. H.	Grove,	Grove, Caroline co., Md.
115	Wilson, David,	Chaplain U. S. A.,	Fort Meade, Dakota.
116	Wooden, J. F.	Amelia&Ch'st'rfi'd,	Mannboro', Amelia co., Va.
117	Yingling, J. M.	Fawn Grove,	Fawn Grove, York co., Pa.

DEAD ROLL.

"I have fought the good fight, I have finished the course, I have kept the faith: henceforth there is laid up for me the crown of righteousness, which the Lord, the righteous judge, shall give to me at that day." 2 Tim. iv. 7, 8.

1. CHARLES RIGBY. Born in Talbot county, Md., 1782; died in Kent county, Md., August 12, 1830. Appointments: 1829-30, Missionary for the Eastern Shore.

2. JOSEPH SCULL. Born 1785; died at Easton, Md., Dec. 22, 1830. Appointments: 1829-30, Missionary for the Eastern Shore.

3. WASHINGTON HAMILTON HAYS. Died April, 1831. Appointment: 1830, Anne Arundel (A.)

4. WILLIAM BAMBER. Died March 30, 1832. Appointment: 1831, Eastern Shore.

5. CHARLES WESLEY JACOBS. Born at Alexandria, Va., Oct. 28, 1812; died at Easton, Md., July 20, 1833. Appointments: 1829-30, Eastern Shore (A.); 1831, Deer Creek (A.); 1832, Pipe Creek (A.); 1833, Talbot.

6. JAMES HANSON. Died August 19, 1834. Appointments: 1829, Mt. Olivet (A.); 1830, Pipe Creek (A.); 1831, Reisterstown; 1832, Anne Arundel; 1833, Kent; 1834, no appointment at his request.

7. WILLIAM KESLEY. Died Sept. 23, 1841. Appointments: 1830, Deer Creek; 1831, Anne Arundel; 1832, Reisterstown; 1833, Tabernacle; 1834, Reisterstown; 1835, Mt. Olivet; 1836, Queen Anne's; 1837, Agent of Book Concern; 1838, Prince William; 1839-40, Kent; 1841, Buttonwood, Phila.

8. ISAAC WEBSTER CLIPPINGER. Died at Cumberland, Md., May 25, 1842. Appointment: 1842, Cumberland (A.)

9. SAMUEL L. RAWLEIGH. Died Nov. 23, 1843. Appointments: 1834-35, Queen Anne's; 1836-8, Kent; 1839, Buttonwood, Phila.; 1840-1, Queen Anne's; 1842, Cecil; 1843, Pipe Creek (A.)

10. DANIEL DAVIES, M. D. Died Feb. 16, 1844. Appointments: 1833, Mt. Olive; 1834, Anne Arundel; 1835, Queen Anne's (A.); 1836, no appointment at his request; 1837, Editor METHODIST PROTESTANT; 1838, Charleston, S. C.; 1839, Anne Arundel; 1840, with the President; 1841, First Church, Phila. (A.); 1842-3, superannuated.

11. WILLIAM W. MADDUX. Died July 9, 1844. Appointments: 1838, Caroline; 1839, Northampton; 1840, New Leeds; 1841, Cecil; 1842, Dorchester; 1843-4, Deer Creek.

12. WILLIAM W. BALL. Died at Harper's Ferry, W. Va., Oct. 5, 1844. Appointments: 1842, Alexandria; 1843-4, Harper's Ferry.

13. WILLIAM H. BORDLEY. Born at Centreville, Md.; died at Charleston, S. C., Oct. 9, 1846. A. B., Washington College, 1822. Appointments: 1843, Queen Anne's (A.); 1844, Kent; 1845, E. Baltimore.

14. SAMUEL D. NORWOOD. Born in Anne Arundel county, Md., March 1, 1820; died in Newcastle county, Del., Oct. 22, 1847. Appointments: 1844, Anne Arundel (A.) 1845, Smyrna; 1846, no appointment at his request; 1847, Deer Creek (A.)

15. ISAAC WEBSTER. Born in Harford county, Md., 1787; died in Westminster, Md., February 4, 1851. Appointments: 1829-30, Reisterstown; 1831, Deer Creek; 1832-3, Pipe Creek; 1834-5, Williamsport; 1836-8, President; 1839, Queen Anne's; 1840, St. John's; 1841-3, Kent; 1844, Brickmaker's; 1845, no appointment at his request; 1846,

Baltimore; 1847-8, Howard; 1849-50, superannuated; Representative to General Conference, 1830, 1846.

16. LEVI ROGERS REESE. Born February 8, 1806; died at Philadelphia, Pa., Sept. 18, 1851. Interred at Greenmount, Baltimore, Md. Appointments: 1832-3, Alexandria; 1834-5, St. John's; 1836-7, Washington; 1838, Conference Missionary; 1839, Alexandria; 1840-1, Georgetown, D. C.; 1842, Pipe Creek; 1843-4, President; 1845-6, West Baltimore; 1847-8, Ninth-Street; 1849, Cambridge; 1850-1, Bethlehem, Philadelphia. Secretary of Annual Conference, 1833. Representative to General Conference, 1846, 1850 and President. Chaplain to U. S. House of Representatives, 1836-7.
17. FREDERICK STIER. Born 1783; died at Fremont, O., October 15, 1851. Appointments: 1830-1, Pipe Creek; 1832, Georgetown, D. C.; 1833, East Baltimore; 1834, unstationed; 1839, Conference Missionary; 1840, Williamsport, Md.; 1841-2, Conference Missionary; 1843-5, no appointment at his request; 1846, Conference Missionary; 1847-50, no appointment at his request; 1851, Conference Missionary. Representative to General Conference, 1842. Corresponding Secretary of the Board of Missions, 1850.
18. RICHARD ADKINSON. Born 1817; died at Easton, Md., March 9, 1851. Interred at Easton, Md. Appointments: 1841, Cecil (A.); 1842, Cumberland; 1843, Sussex; 1844, no appointment at his request; 1845, Alleghany; 1846-7, Jefferson; 1848-9, Sussex; 1850, Talbot; 1851, Caroline.
19. LEVIN A. COLLINS. Born 1814; died at Laurel, Del., June 17, 1853. Interred at Laurel, Del. Appointments: 1837, Deer Creek (A.); 1838, Kent (A.); 1839-40, Sussex; 1841-2, Snow Hill; 1843-4, Cambridge; 1845-6, no appointment at his request; 1847, Caroline; 1848, no appointment at his request; 1849, superannuated.
20. JOHN SMITH REESE, M. D., Washington University, Baltimore, Md. Born April 7, 1790; died near Baltimore, Md., February 14, 1855. Interred at Greenmount, Baltimore. Appointments: 1829, Eastern Shore; 1830-1, Alexandria; 1832, Eastern Shore; 1833-5, President; 1836-7, Pipe Creek; 1838, Williamsport; 1839-40, President; 1841, Pipe Creek; 1842, Georgetown; 1843, Pipe Creek; 1844, Howard; 1845-6, Alexandria; 1847, no appointment at his request; 1848-9, East Baltimore; 1850-1, no appointment at his request; 1852-4, President. Representative to General Conference, 1830, 1834, 1842, 1846, 1854.
21. FRANCIS GEORGE WRIGHT. Born at Uniontown, Md., July 15, 1823; died at Salisbury, Md., February 23, 1859. Interred at Uniontown, Md. Appointments: 1849, Baltimore (A.); 1850-1, Carlisle; 1852, unstationed; 1853, Union.
22. NEVELL STEELE GREENAWAY. Born in England, May 7, 1824; died at Alexandria, Va., May 2, 1861. Interred at Alexandria, Va. Appointments: 1852-3, Snow Hill; 1854, Williamsport (A.); 1855, Williamsport; 1856, Pipe Creek (A.); 1857, Philadelphia; 1858, Baltimore (A.); 1859, Alexandria; 1860, superannuated.
23. WILLIAM TURBERT WRIGHT. Born in Queen Anne's county, Md., May 18, 1808; died at Lisbon, Md., May 8, 1862. Interred at Greenmount, Baltimore. Appointments: 1845, Snow Hill; 1846-7, Sussex; 1848-9, Kent; 1850-1, East Baltimore; 1852-3, Charleston, S. C.; 1854-5, Caroline; 1856-7, Talbot; 1858-60, Frederick; 1861-2, Howard.
24. WASHINGTON ROBY. Born in Montgomery county, Md., October 14, 1816; died at Washington, D. C., July 31, 1862. Appointments: 1839, Harper's Ferry; 1840, Williamsport (A.); 1841, Talbot; 1842, Harper's Ferry; 1843-4, Alexandria; 1845-7, Kent; 1848-9, Pipe Creek (A.); 1850-1, Deer Creek; 1852, Queen Anne's; 1853-5, Talbot; 1856-7, East Baltimore; 1858-9, President; 1860, Georgetown; 1862, Ninth-Street. Representative to General Conference, 1854, 1862.
25. THOROUGHGOOD C. EWELL. Born June 6, 1832; died at Federalsburg, Md., November 21, 1862. Appointments: 1856, New Market (A.); 1857, Trough Creek; 1858-9, Dorchester; 1860-1, Sussex; 1862, superannuated.
26. JOSIAH VARDEN. Born at Washington, D. C., July 25, 1806; died at Libertytown, Md., January 16, 1863. Interred at West Baltimore Cemetery. Appointments: 1831, Eastern Shore (A.); 1832, Mt. Olive; 1833, Williamsport (A.); 1834, Pipe Creek; 1835, Tabernacle; 1836, Georgetown; 1837, Alexandria; 1838, Westminster; 1839, Talbot;

- 1840-1, East Baltimore; 1842, St. John's; 1843-4, West Baltimore; 1845-6, Georgetown; 1847, West Baltimore; 1848-9, President; 1850-2, Sixth-Street, Cincinnati; 1853, superannuated. Representative to General Conference, 1846, 1850, 1854, 1858.
27. GEORGE D. HAMILTON. Born August 28, 1798; died at Baltimore, Md., April 5, 1864. Buried at Greenmount, Baltimore. Appointments: 1831, Shippensburg; 1832, Deer Creek (A.); 1833, Snow Hill; 1834-6, Dorchester; 1837-8, Queen Anne's; 1839, Pipe Creek (A.); 1840, Pipe Creek; 1841-2, Sussex; 1843, Snow Hill; 1844-5, Baltimore; 1846-7, New Market; 1848-50, Caroline; 1851-2, Cambridge; 1853, Williamsport; 1854-8, superannuated; 1859, Clearfield; 1860-2, Union, Pa.; 1863-4, superannuated.
28. RUBEN TYLER BOYD. Born at Rockville, Md., July 3, 1794; died at Clarksburg, Md., February 21, 1865. Appointments: 1833, Shippensburg; 1834, Prince William; 1835, New Market; 1836-7, Snow Hill; 1838, Dorchester; 1839, New Leeds; 1840, transferred; 1849, Trough Creek; 1850-1, Alleghany; 1852-3, Caroline; 1854, Anne Arundel; 1855, Dorchester; 1856, superannuated; 1857, Warwick; 1858, Accomac; 1859-64, superannuated.
29. THOMAS HART BENTON AUSTIN. Born at Baltimore, Md., 1842; died at Baltimore, June 26, 1865. Appointments: 1863, Union (A.); 1864, Kent (A.); 1865, Howard (A.)
30. JAMES FRANCIS WHITESIDE. Born at Triadelphia, Md., July 1, 1828; died June 20, 1866. Interred at Stewartstown, Pa. Appointments: 1850, Baltimore (A.); 1851, New Market (A.); 1852, Union (A.); 1853-4, Trough Creek; 1855-7, Alleghany; 1858-60, Cecil; 1861, Baltimore; 1862-3, West Baltimore Circuit; 1864-6, New Market.
31. ELI HENKLE. Born in Pendleton county, Va., April 15, 1787; died in Baltimore county, Md., August 24, 1867. Appointments: 1829, Deer Creek; 1830-2, President; 1833, St. John's; 1834, superannuated; 1835, supernumerary; 1836-7, Anne Arundel; 1838-9, Pipe Creek; 1840, Baltimore; 1841-2, supernumerary; 1843, Westminster; 1844, Conference Missionary; 1845-7, President; 1848-50, Baltimore; 1851-67, superannuated. Representative to General Conference, 1830, 1834, 1846.
32. FRANCIS WATERS. A. B. Pennsylvania University; D. D. Washington College, 1822. Born in Somerset county, Md., Jan. 16, 1792; died at Baltimore, Md., April 23, 1868. Appointments: 1838, Franklin; 1839, supernumerary; 1840, unstationed; 1841-6, supernumerary; 1847, Central Baltimore; 1848-50, Franklin; 1851-67, supernumerary. Author of the name: "Methodist Protestant Church." Representative to General Conference 1830; President 1842, 1846, 1862, 1866.
33. THOMAS H. BURGESS. Born February 12, 1828; died July 11, 1868. Appointments: 1861, Harmony; 1862, no appointment at his request; 1863, unstationed; 1867, Millsborough; 1868, Snow Hill.
34. THOMAS MAHLON WILSON. Born at Hagerstown, Md., March 1, 1844; died at Libertytown, Md., February 1, 1870. Interred at Central Chapel, Frederick county, Md. Appointments: 1842, Trough Creek (A.); 1843, supernumerary; 1844-5, Concord; 1846-8, Queen Anne's; 1849-50, Alexandria; 1851-2, Union; 1853-4, Pipe Creek; 1855-7, Frederick; 1858-69, superannuated.
35. LUTHER J COX. Born in Queen Anne's county, Md., December 27, 1791; died July 26, 1870. 1869, elected to honorary membership. Representative (lay) to General Conference, 1838, 1866.
36. CHRISTIAN EVERSELE. Born in Berkeley county, W. Va., May 6, 1820; died at Baltimore, Md., December 12, 1870. Interred at Little Georgetown, W. Va. Appointments: 1852, Alleghany (A.); 1853, Baltimore (A.); 1854, Deer Creek (A.); 1855, Kent (A.); 1856, Frederick (A.); 1857, Newtown (A.); 1858-9, Cambridge; 1860-2, Concord; 1863-4, Bedford; 1865, Williamsport; 1866-70, superannuated.
37. DANIEL BOWERS. Born in Frederick county, Md., March 16, 1832; died at Baltimore, Md., March 19, 1871. Interred at Chestertown, Md. Appointments: 1854, Kent (A.); 1855, Queen Anne's (A.); 1856-7, Cumberland; 1858, Talbot (A.); 1859-60, Philadelphia; 1861-3, Newtown; 1864-5, Georgetown; 1866-9, East Baltimore; 1870, Chatsworth. Secretary of Annual Conference, 1863. Alternate attending General Conference, 1867. On Editorial Committee of METHODIST PROTESTANT, 1866-9.

38. JOHN MORGAN. Born at Alexandria, Va., April 15, 1811; died at Montgomery, Ala., June 17, 1871. Appointments: 1844, Williamsport (A.); 1845-6, Williamsport; 1847-8, Pipe Creek; 1849-50, Howard; 1851-2, Talbot; 1853-4, Union; 1855-6, Snow Hill; 1857, superannuated. Secretary of Annual Conference, 1852-4.
39. HENRY HAYGHE. Born at Baltimore, Md., January 5, 1844; died at Kennedyville, Md., December 17, 1871. Appointments: 1869, Howard (A.); 1870, Baltimore (A.); 1871, Kennedyville.
40. JOHN ELDERDICE. Born in Frederick county, Md., July 14, 1814; died at Baltimore, Md., July 9, 1874. 1838, Cumberland; 1839, Baltimore; 1840-1, Anne Arundel (A.); 1842, Pipe Creek (A.); 1843-5, New Market; 1846, Carlisle; 1847-9, Deer Creek; 1850-1, Williamsport; 1852-3, Anne Arundel; 1854-6, Cecil; 1857-9, New Market; 1860, West Baltimore Circuit; 1861-2, Caroline; 1863-4, Cecil; 1865-6, Bedford; 1867-8, Cambridge; 1869, no appointment at his request; 1870-4, superannuated. Author of "Uncle Toby" letters to METHODIST PROTESTANT.
41. JOHN ROBERTS. Born May 3, 1818; died at Baltimore, Md., Sept. 20, 1875. Interred at Oak Grove Cemetery, Howard county, Md. 1843, Cambridge (A.); 1844, Alleghany (A.); 1845, Accomac (A.); 1846, Snow Hill; 1847-8, Harper's Ferry; 1849-50, Howard (A.); 1851, Pipe Creek (A.); 1852-3, Bethlehem; 1854-5, Kent; 1856, Williamsport; 1857-8, Alexandria; 1859, South Baltimore; 1860-2, Queen Anne's; 1863-4, Talbot; 1865-7, Frederick; 1868-70, Howard; 1871-3, Belair; 1874-5, Liberty. Secretary of Annual Conference 1850. Representative to General Conference 1866, 1867, 1870.
42. AMON RICHARDS. Born Oct. 31, 1787; died July 12, 1876. 1870, elected to honorary membership.
43. ABRAHAM S. EVERSOLE, M. D. Born in Berkeley county, Va., July 10, 1813; died at Seaford, Del., Feb. 3, 1877. 1839, Trough Creek; 1840, Caroline; 1841, Snow Hill (A.); 1842, Somerset; 1843, Lewes; 1844-5, Kent (A.); 1846, Prince William; 1847, transferred; 1851-2, Dorchester; 1853-4, Newtown; 1855-7, Union; 1858, Alleghany; 1859-60, Baltimore; 1861, Frederick (A.); 1862-3, New Market; 1864, Sussex; 1865, Caroline; 1866-7, Worcester; 1868, Delaware; 1869-71, Cecil; 1872, Peach Bottom; 1873, Seaford (A.); 1874-6, superannuated.
44. DANIEL EVANS REESE. D. D. Western Maryland College, 1868. Born at Baltimore, Md., Feb. 17, 1810; died at St. Michael's, Md., April 23, 1877. 1830, Deer Creek (A.); 1831, Mount Olive; 1832, Eastern Shore (A.); 1833, Prince William; 1834, Tabernacle; 1835-6, Deer Creek; 1837, Harper's Ferry; 1838, Anne Arundel; 1839-41, unstationed; 1842-3, East Baltimore; 1844, Georgetown; 1845-6, Deer Creek; 1847-8, Cambridge; 1849-50, Pipe Creek; 1851-2, Alexandria; 1853-4, Ninth-Street; 1855, Salem, Phila.; 1856-7, Charleston, S. C.; 1858-9, West Baltimore; 1860-1, Pipe Creek; 1862-3, Georgetown; 1864-5, Jefferson; 1866-7, Ninth-Street; 1868-70, Talbot; 1871-3, President; 1874, East Baltimore; 1875, superannuated. Secretary of Annual Conference 1835. Representative to General Conference, 1862. Secretary 1867, 1870.
45. SAMUEL GUEST VALIANT. Born in Talbot county, Md., Dec. 21, 1852; died there July 11, 1877. 1870-1, Kent (A.); 1872, no appointment at his request; 1873, Alexandria; 1874, no appointment at his request; 1875-6, Laurel; 1877, superannuated.
46. WILLIAM C. AMES, D. D. S. Born in Clearfield county, Pa., 1839; died at Burrsville, Md., March 10, 1878. Interred at Burrsville, Md. 1869, Jefferson (A.); 1870-1, Potomac; 1872-3, Concord; 1874-6, Whaleyville; 1877, Caroline.
47. JOHN EDGAR READ. Born at Lauraville, Md., August 25, 1846; died at Oxford, Md., July 28, 1878. 1865, Queen Anne's (A.); 1866, Belair (A.); 1867, Jefferson (A.); 1868, Talbot (A.); 1869-71, Lexington-St.; 1872, Talbot (A.); 1873-6, Talbot; 1877-8, Easton.
48. THOMAS M. BRYAN. Born in Cecil county, Md., Feb. 1, 1818; died at St. Michael's, Md., May 11, 1879. 1846, Smyrna; 1847, Potomac; 1848, Clearfield; 1849, no appointment at his request; 1850, Accomac; 1851-2, Newtown; 1853-4, Dorchester; 1855-6, superannuated; 1857-8, Sussex; 1859-60, no appointment at his request; 1861-3, superannuated; 1864-5, West Baltimore Circuit; 1866, superannuated.
49. WILLIAM CORRIE LIPSCOMB. Born in King William's county, Va., Sept. 13,

- 1792; died at Washington, D. C., Dec. 2, 1879. 1869, elected to honorary membership. Representative (lay) to General Conference 1830; and Secretary 1834, 1838, 1842, 1850, 1858; and President, 1867.
50. THOMAS ASBURY MOORE. Born in Sussex county, Del., Jan. 14, 1824; died at Seaford, Del., July 2, 1881. 1845, Newtown (A.); 1846, Cambridge (A.); 1847, Talbot (A.); 1848, Union (A.); 1849-53, unstationed; 1854, Sussex (A.); 1855-6, Sussex; 1857-8, supernumerary; 1859, Sussex; 1860, supernumerary.
51. DAVID NORWOOD GILBERT. Born in Harford county, Md., February 10, 1851; died at Kent Island, Md., August 15, 1881; interred at Wesley Chapel, Harford county, Md. 1873, Queen Anne's (A.); 1874, Cecil (A.); 1875, Anne Arundel (A.); 1876, Pocomoke; 1877, Prince William; 1878-80, Quantico; 1881, Kent Island.
52. ISAAC TUNNELL ADKINS. Born February 1, 1809; died in Sussex county, Del., October 19, 1881. 1865, Millsborough; 1866, no appointment at his request; 1867, Tyaskin; 1868, Milton; 1869-70, Lower Sussex; 1871-2, Heathsville; 1873-5, Accomac; 1876, Chincoteague; 1877, Potomac; 1878-9, Chincoteague; 1880, superannuated.
53. THOMAS LEE. Born in England, June 17, 1821; died at Rainsburg, Pa., July 16, 1882. 1851, Accomac; 1852, Salem; 1853-4, Alleghany; 1855, no appointment at his request; 1856-7, Reading; 1858-9, Caroline; 1860-2, Bedford; 1863-5, superannuated; 1866-7, Susquehanna; 1868, superannuated.
54. PETER LIGHT WILSON. Born in Berkeley county, Va., October 20, 1822; died at Johnsville, Md., January 10, 1883. 1842, Pipe Creek (A.); 1843-4, Cumberland; 1845, Pipe Creek (A.); 1846, Frederick; 1847, West Baltimore (A.); 1848-9, Bethlehem; 1850-1, Cumberland; 1852-4, Frederick; 1855-6, Ninth-Street; 1857-9, Jefferson; 1860-1, Ninth-Street; 1862-4, Pipe Creek; 1865-8, Broadway; 1869-73, College Agent; 1874, supernumerary; 1875-6, College Agent; 1877, supernumerary. Representative to General Conference, 1866, 1867.
55. THOMAS MCCORMICK. Born in Loudon county, Va., January 5, 1792; died at Baltimore, Md., February 22, 1883. 1869, elected to honorary membership.
56. CHARLES THEODORE COCHEL. Born in Berks county, Pa., June 20, 1838; died at Deer Park, Md., July 25, 1884. 1859, Howard (A.); 1860, Newtown (A.); 1861, Harper's Ferry; 1862, Frederick City; 1863, Anne Arundel (A.); 1864, Salem, Philadelphia; 1865, Snow Hill; 1866, West Baltimore Circuit; 1867, Finksburg; 1868-70, Susquehanna; 1871, Union; 1872-3, Dorchester; 1874-7, Frederick; 1878-81, Cecil; 1882-3, Pipe Creek; 1884, First Church, Washington.
57. JAMES MARTIN ELDERDICE. Born in Frederick county, Md., Oct. 14, 1817; died at Barren Creek Springs, Md., Oct. 5, 1884. 1840, Baltimore (A.); 1841, Williamsport (A.); 1842, Talbot; 1843, no appointment at his request; 1844, Howard (A.); 1845-6, Cecil; 1847, Liberty; 1849-50, Concord; 1851-2, New Market; 1853-2, Williamsport (A.); 1854-6, Concord; 1857, Snow Hill; 1858-9, Trough Creek; 1860-2, Carlisle; 1863-4, Anne Arundel; 1865-8, Cecil; 1869-70, Sussex; 1871, Seaford; 1872-4, Leipsic; 1875-8, Bedford; 1879, Williamsport; 1880-1, Caroline; 1882-3, Sussex; 1884, Union.
58. ARTHUR DANIEL MURRAY. Born at Georgetown, D. C., Nov. 19, 1856; died at Baltimore, Md., Nov. 17, 1884. 1879, Eutaw; 1880, Frederick (A.); 1881-2, Broadway; 1883, no appointment at his request; 1884, Georgetown (A.)
59. HENRY EDWARD MISKIMON. Born in Harford county, Md., April 15, 1845; died at Harper's Ferry, W. Va., Feb. 12, 1885. Interred at Harper's Ferry, W. Va. 1866, Newtown (A.); 1867, Talbot (A.); 1868-70, Kennedyville; 1871-4, Harper's Ferry; 1875-6, Ellicott City; 1877-8, Salisbury; 1879-80, Seaford; 1881, Heathsville.
60. JOSEPH ALEXANDER MCFADDEN. Born in Augusta, Ga., January 11, 1825; died at Harper's Ferry, W. Va., July 5, 1885. Interred at Harper's Ferry, W. Va. Appointments: 1847, Queen Anne's (A.); 1848, Williamsport (A.); 1849, Kent (A.); 1850, Jefferson; 1851-2, Concord; 1853, Brickmaker's; 1854-5, Pipe Creek (A.); 1856-7, Cambridge; 1858, Baltimore; 1859, West Baltimore Circuit; 1860-1, New Market; 1862-4, Union; 1865, Washington-Street; 1866-73, superannuated; 1874, Seaford; 1875-85, superannuated.

61. ALFRED BAKER. Born June 4, 1813; died January 17, 1885. Appointments: 1841-3, Concord; 1844, Baltimore (A.); 1845-6, superannuated; 1847, Baltimore; 1848, superannuated; 1849, Patuxent; 1850-1, Frederick; 1852-6, superannuated; 1857, Frederick (A.); 1858, superannuated; 1864, Montgomery; 1865, no appointment at his request; 1866, Montgomery; 1867, no appointment at his request; 1868, Montgomery; 1869, no appointment at his request; 1870, supernumerary.

62. CHRISTOPHER BURNS MIDDLETON. A. B. Western Maryland College, 1876. Born at Washington, D. C., July 24, 1854; died at Alexandria, Va., Feb. 16, 1886. Appointments: 1876, Abingdon, Va.; 1877, no appointment at his request; 1878, Kent (A.); 1879-80, Hampden; 1881-2, East Baltimore; 1883, Atlanta, Ga.; 1884-5, Alexandria.

63. WILLIAM THOMAS DUMM. Born in Zanesville, Ohio, January 19, 1817; died at Johnsville, Md., July 19, 1886; buried at Union Bridge, Carroll county, Md., July 22, 1886. 1843-4, Deer Creek, Assis't; 1845, Williamsport; 1846, Potomac; 1847, Cumberland; 1848, Snow Hill; 1849, Queen Anne's; 1850, Kent, Assis't; 1851-2, Mount Zion; 1853-4, Deer Creek; 1855-6, New Market; 1857, Cecil; 1858-9, Carlisle; 1860-1, E. Washington; 1862-3, Salem, Philadelphia; 1864-5, Cumberland; 1866, Caroline; 1867, Salisbury; 1868-9, Finksburg; 1870-1, Frederick; 1872-4, Cecil; 1875-7, Howard; 1878, Stewartstown; 1879, superannuated.

64. DAVID ANTHONY SHERMER, M. D. Born in Philadelphia, Pa., June 5, 1824; died in Vienna, Md., December 4, 1886. 1844, Union, Assis't; 1845, Queen Anne's, Assis't; 1846, Lewes; 1847-9, Dorchester; 1850, Cambridge, Assis't; 1851-3, Howard; 1854-5, Brickmaker's; 1856-57, S. Baltimore; 1858-9, Queen Anne's; 1860-1, E. Baltimore; 1862-3, Jefferson; 1864-5, Liberty; 1866-7, Georgetown; 1868-70, Belair; 1871-4, Washington-Street; 1875-6, Broadway; 1877-9, Anne Arundel; 1880-1, Milton; 1882-4, Cecil; 1885-6, Dorchester.

65. DANIEL FITCHETT EWELL, M. D. Born in Accomac county, Va., January 24, 1817; died March 17, 1888, at Clayton, Del. 1838, Shippensburg, Assis't; 1839-41, Dorchester; 1842, Church Creek; 1843, Brickmaker's, Phila.; 1844-5, Union; 1846-8, Newtown; 1849, Accomac; 1850, Dorchester; 1851, no appointment at his request; 1852-5, unstationed; 1857-8, Anne Arundel; 1859-61, Warwick; 1862-5, Delaware; 1866, Washington-Street; 1867-70, Warwick; 1871, Talbot; 1872-84, superannuate; 1885, Powellsville; 1886, Talbot; 1887, Clayton.

66. WILLIAM FRANCIS LIVINGSTON. Born in Worcester county, Md., May 16, 1836; died November 29, 1888, at Westminster, Md. 1861, New Market, Assis't; 1862, Cecil, Assis't; 1863-71, no appointment; 1872-3, Williamsport; 1874-7, Concord; 1878-80, Deer Creek; 1881-2, Middleway; 1883-7, Potomac; 1888, superannuate.

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FIRST DAY—WEDNESDAY.

APRIL 3RD, 1889.

The Sixty-first Session of the Maryland Annual Conference met in the Methodist Protestant church, Lynchburg, Va., April 3rd, 1889.

President W. S. Hammond opened the Conference by reading Psalm 121 and 4th chapter 2d Corinthians. Hymn 180 was sung and prayer offered.

The President called J. J. Murray to the chair, read his annual report (Report A), and his character was passed.

The death of W. F. Livingston was announced and his name transferred to the Dead Roll. The time was fixed for memorial services.

The roll was called by the Secretary and the Dead Roll by B. F. Benson.

The Committee on Credentials was appointed, and Standing Committees announced.

E. H. Vandyke was appointed Conference Postmaster.

The Secretary and T. H. Lewis were appointed a committee for the careful examination of the Dead Roll.

A letter from the Secretary of the Y. M. C. A. of Lynchburg was read, offering to the Conference the privileges and courtesies of their building. The invitation was accepted and the Conference extended thanks.

The bar of the house was fixed to the second post from the pulpit.

The daily sessions were fixed as follows: Open at 9 A. M.; recess from 12.30 to 2.30, and adjourn at pleasure.

Rule No. 30 was suspended.

Letters read from J. K. Nichols and W. G. Holmes were referred to Committee on Superannuated Claimants.

Letters from R. W. Berryman and J. L. Straughn were filed; from T. O. Crouse referred to Committee on Home Missions; from

H. G. Cowan, to the Faculty; from David Wilson, requesting his present relation to be continued, request granted; from Quarterly Conference of St. John's Independent Methodist Church, Baltimore, referred to Committee on Fraternal Relations.

Verbal communications were received as follows: From Dr. A. Webster, through J. J. Murray. From R. T. Smith, through S. R. Murray, requesting, in view of his extreme illness, that his present relation be continued. Request granted.

A special committee, consisting of J. J. Murray, J. D. Kinzer, S. B. Tredway, was appointed to extend the sympathy of the Conference to the sick brethren.

It was ordered, on motion, that the first half hour of this evening's session (Wednesday) be spent in prayer, and these brethren be held in loving remembrance.

The report of the Secretary (Report B) was submitted and referred to the Committee on Finance.

The Conference Sermon was preached by E. R. McGregor from Rev. xi. 15.

After recess, communications were read, and referred as follows: From A. D. Dick, to the President; from W. J. D. Lucas, to Committee on Superannuated Fund Claimants; from St. James' Quarterly Conference, relating to the Superannuated Fund, to a special committee, consisting of J. W. Charlton, S. B. Tredway, W. D. Litsinger, R. S. Stewart, E. B. Fenby.

The report of the Committee on Credentials was read and adopted.

The report of the Agent of the Presidential Parsonage was referred to a special committee.

The report of the Baltimore Directory was read and referred to the Committee on Literature.

W. R. L. Smith, D. D., pastor of the First Baptist Church, and R. H. Fleming, pastor of the Second Presbyterian Church, were introduced to the Conference.

The order of the day was called, and the Conference proceeded to the election of officers. W. M. Strayer was elected President. On motion, the Assistant Secretary cast the ballot of the Conference for W. R. Graham for Secretary. J. W. Kirk was selected by the Secretary as his Assistant. The Secretary, on motion, cast the ballot of the Conference for the following Stewards: Conference, D. W. Anstine; Home Missionary, J. S. Bowers; Superannuated Fund, J. M. Sheridan; Home and Foreign Missionary, J. W. Balderston;

Educational, F. T. Benson. The Conference Steward selected C. H. Day for his Assistant. Ballots were cast for the Standing District Committee, and the tellers retired to count the votes. The roll was called and the pastors deposited their reports.

A letter from A. Webster was referred to the special committee on the sick.

A letter from Seaford Quarterly Conference was referred to Committee on Home Missions.

Messages were received relative to the illness of E. J. Drinkhouse and R. T. Smith.

The Conference voted for the Committee on Appeals. The tellers retired to count the votes.

A resolution, offered by J. W. Charlton, was adopted.

Conference took a recess until 8 o'clock.

Conference re-assembled at 8 for prayer and memorial services. W. S. Hammond, J. R. Nichols, J. W. Gray and S. B. Tredway spoke upon the life and character of our deceased brother, W. F. Livingston.

The report of the Committee on Obituaries was adopted.

The Conference then adjourned.

Approved: W. M. Strayer.

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SECOND DAY—THURSDAY.

APRIL 4TH, 1889.

President opened the Conference. J. L. Mills led in prayer.

The tellers appointed to receive the votes for Standing District Committee reported that L. W. Bates, J. D. Kinzer, Wm. Dale and W. J. C. Dulany had been elected. The Secretary cast the ballot for W. B. Usilton and W. G. Baker. The tellers to receive the votes for the Committee on Appeals, reported that J. D. Kinzer, T. D. Valiant, L. W. Bates, C. W. Button and W. B. Usilton were elected.

A partial report of the Committee on Education was made, recommending that J. B. Walker address the Conference this morning (Thursday.)

The Committee on the sick reported.

Communications were received and referred, as follows: From Thomas B. Marche, Wm. Dale, and Somerset Circuit, to Committee on Boundaries; from E. R. Washington, to Conference Steward;

from Potomac, Sussex, Powellsville, Chincoteague, Crumpton, Cumberland, Wilmington, to Committee on Missions; from President of the Virginia Conference, and Geo. R. Barr, to Committee on Fraternal Relations.

A report was received from the Treasurer of the Superannuated Fund Society. A communication from Reliance was referred to the Faculty.

J. B. Walker, Secretary of the Board of Ministerial Education, addressed the Conference.

The President of Western Maryland College submitted his report, which was referred to the Committee on Education.

Dr. John E. Edwards and Rev. Jacob Manning, of the M. E. Church South, and Dr. Hall of the Presbyterian Church, were introduced to the Conference.

On motion, it was ordered that the Conference sermon preached by E. R. McGregor be published in the minutes.

H. C. Cushing was excused from attendance upon the Conference until Monday.

Communications from Milton and Frederick were referred to the Committee on Boundaries. A letter from R. S. Norris was read.

A letter from Felton was referred to the Committee on Missions.

The Conference, on motion, gave place to a meeting of the Superannuated Fund Society. After recess, the report of the Agent of the Presidential Parsonage was read and adopted.

The Resolution of J. E. T. Ewell was adopted. (Resolution 1.)

A motion was made to fix the first Wednesday in April, 1890, as the time, and Chestertown as the place for the next session of the Conference. Laid over by rule twenty-four hours.

On motion, it was ordered that two members of the Conference be appointed, whose names should be sent to the Executive Committee appointed by the General Conference to select representatives to the Ecumenical Conference.

On motion, J. T. Murray and C. W. Button were selected.

The time for assembling after recess was reconsidered, and the hour fixed at 3 o'clock.

The Conference gave place to the Home Missionary Society.

On motion, one-half of the missionary appropriation to Middle-way was ordered paid to the preacher who served them, and the remainder to be distributed among the other claimants.

Francis Brown made a statement respecting the colored churches of South Carolina.

The resolution of C. W. Button was adopted. (Resolution 2.) The Secretary was requested to prepare a copy for Francis Brown.

B. Stout, Secretary of the Board of Home Missions, was introduced to the Conference.

Conference adjourned with the benediction by J. R. Nichols.

Approved: W. M. Strayer.

THIRD DAY—FRIDAY.

APRIL 5TH, 1889.

The President opened with Scripture reading, and J. B. Jones led in prayer.

A letter from J. F. Cowan was referred to Committee on Sabbath Schools.

A letter from J. P. Miller, Fraternal Messenger of the United Brethern Church, was referred to the Committee on Fraternal Relations.

The report of the Committee on Unfinished Business was read, and considered by items.

Item 1 was laid on the table.

Item 2 was postponed for the present.

Mr. Jas. H. Butt, Fraternal Messenger from Virginia Conference, Rev. T. M. Carson, St. Paul's Episcopal Church, and Rev. J. E. Boggs, of M. E. Church South, were introduced to the Conference.

Communications from Cambridge and Campbell were referred respectively to the Committees on Boundaries and Missions.

The report of the Committee on Foreign Missions was submitted and recommitted.

Rev. T. N. Simpson, of the M. E. Church South, was introduced to the Conference.

The report of the special committee appointed to consider the paper from the Quarterly Conference of St. James was submitted and laid over until after recess.

Upon re-assembling the report of the special committee was made the order of the day for half-past 3 o'clock.

On motion of F. T. Tagg, 11 o'clock, Friday morning, was fixed as the hour to hear Benjamin Stout.

The report of the committee to examine candidates for the Seminary was referred to the Faculty.

T. D. Valiant stated that he was no longer able to perform the active duties of the itinerancy, and expressed the wish to be retired by the Conference.

On motion, he was transferred to the Superannuated List, and his case referred to the Committee on Superannuates.

The report on the paper of the St. James' Quarterly Conference was considered by items.

Item 1. Motion to amend by striking out all after "should be," was lost, and item 1 was adopted.

Items 2, 3 and 4 were adopted.

Motions to amend and adopt item 5 were lost.

The report was then adopted. (Report C).

The question of making more columns for the Statistical Report was referred to the Board of Stewards for the present year.

The report of the Committee on Pulpit Services was read and adopted.

On motion, a standing committee of three was appointed, to be called the Committee on General Home Missions.

A letter from Jefferson was referred to the Committee on Boundaries.

Adjourned with the benediction by L. W. Bates.

FOURTH DAY—SATURDAY.

APRIL 6TH, 1889.

The President opened the session, and Jas. H. Butt led in prayer.

A letter was read from the father of R. T. Smith, respecting his son's illness, and one from Harrington, referring to the sickness of C. M. Thompson.

The report of the Committee on Boundaries was read, and taken up by items. Items 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6 were adopted. Item 7 was amended and recommitted.

The order of the day was suspended five minutes, and the letter

of R. S. Norris was referred to Committee on Superannuated Claimants.

Benjamin Stout, Secretary of Home Missions, addressed the Conference.

The order of the day was suspended indefinitely.

The Faculty reported. The report was read and considered by items. All the items were adopted, and the paper adopted as a whole. (Report D).

T. J. Rayfield was, on motion, recognized as the delegate from Mariner's Station.

T. H. Lewis moved that the Conference adjourn in time to take the midnight train Monday night.

The motion was laid on the table.

Ordination services were fixed for Sunday morning.

A paper submitted by J. J. Murray, respecting the observance of the Sabbath, was referred to the Committee on Sabbath Observance.

The delegates from Starr, Harrington, Accomac and Franklin City were excused from further attendance upon the Conference.

The Conference, on motion, decided to meet in the basement of the church after recess.

The Committee on Vacant Churches submitted its report.

The report of the treasurer of the funds for expenses of delegates to the General Conference was referred to a special committee of three—T. D. Valiant, J. M. Yingling and W. W. White.

J. L. Killgore's request, to be continued in his present relation, was granted.

E. R. Washington's letter was received and placed on file.

Conference took recess.

Upon re-assembling, the report of the Committee on Literature was read and adopted. (Report E).

The report of the Committee on Superannuated Claimants was submitted and laid over, under rule, twenty-four hours.

The report of the Committee on Education was read and adopted. (Report F).

The report of the Committee on Foreign Missions was read and adopted. (Report G).

Monday, 12 o'clock, was fixed as the time to hear F. T. Tagg.

The report of the Committee on Temperance was read and considered by items.

A motion to recommit item 1 was lost.
Pending the discussion the Conference adjourned.
Approved: W. M. Strayer.

FIFTH DAY—MONDAY.

APRIL 8TH, 1889.

W. S. Hammond opened the session and led in prayer.
The calling of the list of charges was suspended.
The delegates from Cumberland, Chincoteague, Snow Hill, Mariner's and Queen Anne's were excused from further attendance upon Conference.
The report of the Committee on Temperance was adopted by items. (Report H).
T. H. Lewis' resolution was adopted. (Resolution 3).
The report of the Committee on General Home Missions was considered.
On motion, it was amended by striking out \$3,000 and inserting \$1,000. The report, as amended, was adopted. (Report I).
J. R. Caton, of the Committee on Church Extension, was given the privilege of presenting his report and of explaining it.
C. E. McCullough, appointed to collect Home Missionary dues, reported \$62, and paid said amount to the Home Missionary Steward.
The order of the day was postponed, the rule suspended and 15 minutes added to the morning session.
The report of the Committee on the President's report was read, and taken up by items.
Items 1, 2, 3, 4 were adopted.
Order of the day was postponed to 4 o'clock.
Item 5 was laid over.
The annual report of the Board of Governors of Westminster Theological Seminary was submitted and read.
The Committee on Fraternal Relations submitted its report, which was read and adopted. (Report J).
The Steward of the Home Missionary Fund reported. Adopted. (Report K).
The report of the Committee on Superannuated Claimants was read, and an amendment of D. L. Greenfield was accepted by the

committee. The amendment, "cases of emergency excepted," was also accepted.

A motion to strike out all after "Board" in item 3 of the amendment was adopted, and the amendment was further amended by adding, "all ministers placed on the Superannuated List by the Conference."

The report was amended by making the assessment for superannuates \$3,000 instead of \$4,300.

The report as amended was adopted. (Report L).

F. T. Tagg, Corresponding Secretary Foreign Missions, addressed the Conference.

A motion to reconsider the report of the Committee on Foreign Missions was lost.

W. J. Floyd was excused from further attendance upon the Conference.

The report of the Committee on Church Extension was read, and laid on the table.

Item 5 of the report on the President's Report was then taken up and laid on the table.

10 o'clock A. M. to-morrow was appointed as the time to hear J. H. Butt.

11 o'clock was made the order of the day to hear the report of the Committee on Titles to Church Property.

Conference adjourned with benediction by J. J. Murray.

Approved: W. M. Strayer.

SIXTH DAY—TUESDAY.

APRIL 9TH, 1889.

D. W. Bates opened the Conference. Thos. B. Myers, Agent of the Maryland Bible Society, led in prayer.

The report of the Committee on Church Extension was again considered and laid on the table.

The report of the Committee on Vacant Churches was received and adopted (Report M), and the committee continued.

On motion, the committee was invested with plenary powers.

A supplementary report of the Committee on Vacant Churches was adopted.

The Committee on Finance reported on Secretary's Report, and it was referred to the Conference Steward.

On motion, it was ordered that six ministers and six laymen be appointed as the Incorporators of the Conference.

The Conference received a message, through J. D. Kinzer, concerning the condition of C. M. Thompson.

The Committee on Boundaries submitted an additional report.

Item 1, referring to Frederick Circuit, was adopted.

The order of the day was called and J. H. Butt, Fraternal Messenger of the Virginia Conference, addressed the Conference.

Item 2 of the report of the Committee on Boundaries, respecting Cambridge, was adopted, and the report was adopted as a whole. (Report N).

The report of the Committee on Titles to Church Property was read and adopted.

On motion, the President was requested to read the Plan of Appointments at 9 o'clock to-night.

An additional report of the Faculty was read, and adopted by items.

The order of the day was indefinitely postponed.

On motion, the Committee on Titles to Church Property was continued.

B. P. Truitt, E. H. Vandyke and R. S. Williamson, probationers elected to orders, appeared before the Conference and gave the pledge to continue the course of study.

The Conference accepted the invitation of Chestertown Station to hold its next session in that church, and fixed the first Wednesday in April, 1890, as the time.

Jas. R. Caton was appointed as the legal member of the Committee on Vacant Churches.

The Conference Steward submitted his report and read the totals. Report adopted. *See Financial Tables.*

The report of the Committee on Home Missions was read and adopted. (Report O).

The time for formally receiving candidates for the itinerancy was fixed at 4 o'clock.

J. W. Charlton moved that the Conference Steward deposit in bank the money received for Church Extension, for the use of the Society immediately upon its organization.

Pending the discussion of the motion, Conference took a recess.

Upon re-assembling, on motion, J. W. Charlton took the chair. The motion, pending at time of recess, was adopted.

The report of the Committee on Sunday Schools was read and adopted. (Report P).

The report of the Board of Governors of Westminster Theological Seminary was read and adopted.

The report of the Committee on Sabbath Observance was read and adopted. (Report Q).

The report of the Special Committee on General Conference Funds was read and adopted. (Report R).

On motion, it was ordered that the money in the hands of the Conference Steward, for General Conference expenses, be paid to the Steward of Conference Home Missions.

The report of the Committee on Benevolent Agencies was read and adopted. (Report S).

T. B. Myers, of the Maryland Bible Society, was introduced and addressed the Conference.

An additional report of the Faculty was read, and adopted by items.

The order of the day was suspended five minutes.

A resolution of S. R. Murray was adopted. (Resolution 4).

A resolution of D. W. Bates was adopted. (Resolution 5).

The President addressed the brethren admitted into the Conference.

A resolution of J. T. Murray was adopted. (Resolution 6).

A resolution of J. R. Nichols was adopted. (Resolution 7).

The report of the Steward of the Superannuated Fund Society was read and recommitted.

The report of the Committee on Official Reports was read and adopted. (Report T).

Resolutions of thanks were adopted. (Resolution 8).

J. D. Kinzer reported the condition of E. J. Drinkhouse.

The report of the Committee on Church Extension was adopted. (Report U).

J. H. Maynard was entered on the record as not heard from.

Waverly was constituted a station.

Item 5 of the report on the President's Report was taken up and stricken out.

The report of the Committee on Statistics was read and adopted. (See Statistical Tables).

A resolution of J. W. Charlton was adopted. (Resolution 9).

A resolution of J. D. Kinzer was adopted. (Resolution 10).

S. B. Tredway was permitted to record his vote in the negative on this resolution.

The report of the Steward of the Superannuated Fund was adopted. (Report V).

W. B. Usilton and W. J. C. Dulany were appointed a Committee on Transportation to the next session of the Conference.

A motion was made to reconsider the vote of the Conference, reducing the General Home Missionary appropriation from \$3,000 to \$1,000. Lost.

The Conference, on motion, took a recess until 8 o'clock.

Conference re-assembled at 8 o'clock with the President in the chair.

The report of the Committee on Finance was submitted. The rule was suspended and the report adopted. (Report W).

The report of the Steward of Home and Foreign Missions was submitted and adopted.

The Conference took a collection for Benjamin Stout, the Corresponding Secretary of the Board of General Home Missions.

B. P. Truitt, R. S. Williamson and E. H. Vandyke were ordained elders.

The Conference approved the substitution of S. B. Southerland for the President in the ordination service.

The appointments were read. E. A. Warfield entered an appeal, and expressed a wish to be either left without an appointment or in the hands of the President. The Committee of Appeals retired for consultation, and reported that they did not find anything to adjust in the case. The appellant was left without an appointment for one year at his request.

The Conference, at 10.40 P. M., adjourned to meet the first Wednesday in April, 1890, at Chestertown, Md.

Approved: W. M. Strayer.

W. R. GRAHAM, *Secretary.*

R E P O R T S .

A.—See page 17.

PRESIDENT'S REPORT.

To the Maryland Annual Conference:

DEAR BRETHREN: Standing as we now do between the experience of the year just closing, and the uncertainties of the year about to begin, we should cherish the spirit of gratitude and trust. Whatever may have been the difficulties and discouragements through which some of us have passed, we can all unite in the inspired utterance, "Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who hath blessed us with all spiritual blessings in heavenly places in Christ." And we can, with equal sincerity and unanimity say, "Blessed is that man who maketh the Lord his trust."

A brother, whose broken voice feebly responded when his name was called at our last session, is not with us to-day. That devout Christian, that consecrated, self-sacrificing minister of the gospel, W. F. Livingston, has gone to his reward. An appropriate tribute to his memory has already been published by the committee appointed for that purpose, and suitable memorial services will be held.

Rev. J. L. Mills was the duly appointed bearer of the fraternal greetings of this body to the New York Conference of the Methodist Protestant Church.

CHANGES.

On the 13th of April Rev. Henry Bruner formally withdrew from the Conference. This unexpected withdrawal, of which not even the slightest hint had been given, until the application for his papers was received, produced some confusion in the plan of appointments. The difficulties, however, were soon satisfactorily settled, and the corrected plan was published in the minutes. Rev. C. H. Littleton took charge of Concord Circuit early in the month of May, and rendered very acceptable service through the remainder of the year. Bro. B. A. Dumm has been effectively employed on Barren Creek since the 1st of October. Three young brethren from the Seminary, G. R. Hodge, W. S. Phillips and John H. S. Ewell, were employed on Middleway, Heathsville and Ellicott City, respectively, as circumstances allowed. At the suggestion of the Faculty of Instruction, the temporary transfer of Rev. J. W. Grant was signed on the 15th of May, 1888, the signature of the President of the New Jersey Conference having been affixed on the 24th of October, 1887. The case is referred to the Conference in accordance with the law of the Church.

INCREASE.

Notwithstanding the earnest efforts made to secure full reports from the pastors it has been impossible to obtain them. We are, however, justified in

stating that more than 2,631 have been received into our communion during the year.

The money expended for improvements, and the payment of church debts, is as follows: Accomac, \$950; Baltimore Circuit, \$198.50; Bedford, \$60; Belair, \$140; Broadway, \$500; Barren Creek, \$200; Cambridge, \$778; Campbell, \$300; Caroline, \$400; Cecil, \$1,700; Central, \$4,000; Chestertown, \$12,164.55; Chincoteague, \$182.18; Clayton, \$450; Concord, \$110; Crisfield, \$400; Crumpton, \$235; Cumberland, \$65; Deer Park, \$300; Deer Creek, \$73; Delta, \$647.44; Dorchester, \$170; East Baltimore, \$2,350; Easton, \$350; Eutaw, \$700; Fawn Grove, \$340; Felton, \$90; Finksburg, \$450; First Church \$210; Franklin City, \$100; Frederick, \$333.60; Georgetown, D. C., \$340; Georgetown, Del., \$1,200; Grove, \$1,548; Hampden, \$1,484.50; Harper's Ferry, \$233.74; Howard, \$2,500; Jefferson, \$1,550; Kennedyville, \$158.28; Kent Island, \$85; Laurel, \$30; Lisbon, \$615; Liberty, \$80; Lynchburg, \$600; Middleway, \$125; Milton, \$180; Mt. Tabor, \$300; Newark, \$898.31; North Carolina Avenue, \$800; Oxford, \$75; Pipe Creek, \$100; Pittsville, \$55; Pocomoke, \$210; Pocomoke City, \$1,000; Powellville, \$125; Quantico, \$332; Queen Anne's, \$25; Rowlandville, \$50; Reliance, \$1,000; St. James, \$250; St. Luke's, \$550; St. Michael's \$1,600; Salisbury, \$235.63; Seaford, \$570; Snow Hill, \$2,000; Somerset, \$600; South Baltimore, \$100; Starr, \$100; Stewartstown, \$3,050; Sussex, \$100; Union, \$224; Union Bridge, \$800; Warwick, \$276; Washington-Street, \$8,000; Westminster, \$900; Williamsport, \$150; Wilmington, \$250; Charleston, \$75. To the above items must be added a Chapel to be connected with one of our charges, \$1,000. We must also report the value of the property on Heathsville Circuit \$10,000, this charge having been transferred to the Maryland District by the General Conference. Our total gain in material interests, not counting sums in hand for improvements about to begin, except perhaps a small amount in one case, about which definite information could not be obtained, will be \$74,282.94.

Churches built during the year, or now in course of erection, 21. Churches improved, 54. Parsonages built, 3. Parsonages improved, 29. Total number of Churches and Parsonages built and Improved 107.

It is suggested that the sum of \$1,533 be added to our financial statement, as the amount received from other sources.

Of the \$47 left in my hands from the sale of the Clearspring property, the sum of \$10 was paid to Thomas A. Murray, Esq., for professional services, the remainder (\$37.00) is subject to your order.

The Committee on Vacant Churches will furnish information in regard to certain property within the bounds of Williamsport Mission. This Committee should be continued.

Our superannuates and the fund from which they receive aid. The Minutes of our last session (pages 57 and 58) reveal startling facts. We find that the Committee on Superannuated Claimants reported a list of *forty* names, and an aggregate allowance of \$10,650. The amount disbursed by the Stewards last year was \$5,586.60. We cannot hope for a larger sum for the present distribution. The treasurer of the fund informs us that the time for which some of our investments were made has nearly expired, and he fears

that we will not be able to reinvest our desirable securities at the same rate of interest. If his fears should be realized, our income will, of course, be decreased. The amount appropriated last year was \$1,750 in excess of the appropriation of the year before. It is not difficult to see that we are approaching a crisis, and that something must be done. If the demands increase and our income decreases, instead of paying a little over fifty per cent. as we expect to do at this session, we will find ourselves and the claimants in a most embarrassing position. The whole subject is environed with delicate points, and must be carefully handled. Two things should certainly be done, with tender love and sincere sympathy for all the claimants. 1st. We should endeavor to ascertain whether we have made mistakes in giving superannuated relations to those who are not entitled to them, and whether our appropriations have been wisely made, and we should have the courage to correct our errors if we discover them. 2d. We should make earnest efforts to increase our superannuated fund, that we may be able to afford greater help to those who are entitled to its benefits.

INCORPORATION OF THE CONFERENCE.

It is suggested that a committee be appointed to consider this subject, and to report during this session, and that said committee, if the proposition shall be approved, shall name not more than twelve persons, who shall be clothed with full power to take such steps as may be necessary to secure the legal incorporation of this body, said twelve persons to become the incorporators and trustees or directors for the first year. It is recommended that the expense of such incorporation be paid out of any unappropriated funds in the hands of the President.

CHURCH EXTENSION.

The success which has attended the efforts of the local society whose operations have been confined to Baltimore city, should prompt us to an organization whose ramifications should extend through the entire District. Such a society, properly managed, would be of incalculable advantage.

My brethren in the ministry, it would be an injustice to you, and certainly to my own feelings, to close this paper without commending your zeal, industry and fidelity. You have constantly grown upon me through these admirable qualities. Never, so far as my knowledge extends, has there been more earnest work performed in the same length of time than during the year whose record is now being closed. Accept my thanks for your very great kindness to me, and for your hearty co-operation in the great objects equally dear to us all.

My brethren of the laity, your pastors have peculiar trials, even under the most favorable circumstances, do what you can to make them comfortable, stand close to them, and show your appreciation of their labors. May the God of all grace direct us in our deliberations, and bless us in all our efforts to promote the divine glory and secure the salvation of men.

Sincerely yours,

W. S. HAMMOND.

Reports to the

B.—See page 18.

REPORT OF THE SECRETARY.

FINANCIAL STATEMENT.

Expenditures.

For Printing and Distributing 1,300 copies of Minutes.....	\$290.14	
“ “ 3,000 Envelopes.....	8.00	
“ Conference Trunk Transportation.....	1.85	
“ Postage on Minutes, Official Blanks, &c.....	4.84	
“ Freight on Package.....	15	
“ Expressage.....	1.65	
“ Stationery.....	65	
		\$307.28

Receipts.

From Conference Steward.....	\$256.16	
“ Advertising.....	12.25	
“ Minutes sold.....	6.00	
		274.41
		\$32.87

W. R. GRAHAM, *Secretary.*

Examined by the Committee on Finance and found correct.

B. F. BENSON, *Chairman.*

C.—See page 22.

ON PAPER FROM ST. JAMES.

The committee to whom was referred the paper from certain members of St. James' Quarterly Conference would respectfully submit the following report:

We feel constrained to admit, however reluctantly, the force and justice of their complaint that “appropriations from the Superannuated Fund are not as wisely and judiciously made as they should be,” as the facts of a rapidly increasing list of claimants and surely diminishing resources demonstrate.

This whole subject, we are aware, is delicate and environed with difficulties, and hence the greater and graver the responsibility resting upon us. The only wise and safe course for us to pursue is to courageously face these difficulties and meet the responsibilities from time to time occurring. Nothing can be gained by evasion, and our sympathies should not be allowed to overrule the conclusions of calm, dispassionate judgment. These interests are of a purely business character, and should be managed upon sound and correct business principles. This Conference has no retired list for effective men upon three-fourth's pay; only a pension bureau for the really disabled and the needy. We therefore unite in recommending—

First. A revision of the existing list of superannuated ministers and a change of relation, in case of any being found effective; and that, in future, no one be placed upon that list unless he be physically disqualified for the work of this Conference.

Second. The most careful inquiry into the circumstances of each particular

case, with the view of ascertaining where, and to what extent, assistance is really needed.

J. W. CHARLTON, *Chairman.*

D.—See page 23.

REPORT OF THE FACULTY OF INSTRUCTION.

1st. We recommend that John H. S. Ewell, G. R. Hodge, Daniel Ewell Day, William Sherman Phillips, B. A. Dumm, C. E. McCullough and W. M. Poisal be received into the itinerancy.

2d. We recommend that Clayton B. McAllister be left in the hands of the President.

3d. We recommend that H. S. Johnson remain at the Seminary for another year.

We report that of the First Year's Class, George W. Haddaway, Aloisius Green, Henry W. Johnson and Charles E. McCullough were passed to the Second Year.

Of the Second Year Class, B. P. Truitt and R. S. Williamson were marked 100 in Church History, and together with E. H. Vandyke were passed to the Third Year.

Of the Third Year's Class, F. T. Benson, L. R. Dyott and N. T. Meginniss were marked 100 in all their studies, and together with Elmer Simpson, J. F. Wooden, J. W. Daugherty and H. G. Cowan were passed through the course of instruction.

4th. We recommend that Martin L. Cohee be continued in the hands of the President.

5th. We report that we have had requests from James Cody and Lemuel Fisher, entered at the Seminary on the recommendation of this Conference, to enter another Conference of our Church instead of returning here for work, according to the law of the Board of Ministerial Education. We recommend that these requests be granted, because it has been claimed that the law was not understood at the time when these brethren entered the Seminary. But the Conference hereby gives notice to all candidates now on the Board by our recommendation, and to all who may hereafter enter, that our recommendation of any candidate for aid involves obligation of actual service to this Conference which we expect fulfilled.

6th. We report that G. A. Ogg, who was permitted by the Examining Committee at Westminster to discontinue his studies at the Seminary, on condition of his reporting to this Conference, has not been heard from.

We have considered the report of the Examining Committee at Westminster, referred to us by the Conference, and the facts have been entered on the minutes of the Faculty.

7th. We recommend the ordination of B. P. Truitt, R. S. Williamson, and E. H. Vandyke, at the request of the President of the Conference, they pledging to continue the course of instruction until it is completed.

8th. We recommend the ordination of J. F. Wooden and N. T. Meginniss.

9th. A letter from H. G. Cowan which was referred to the Faculty by the

Conference has been duly considered, and in view of his feeble condition of health we recommend that he be left without an appointment for the ensuing year.

We report that W. S. Hammond has been elected to fill the vacancy in the Faculty occasioned by the resignation of W. M. Strayer.

We report that we have received Q. L. Morrow, an unstationed preacher of the Broadway Church, under our care as a student, at his request.

10th. We recommend R. T. Tyson and W. H. Young to the Board of Ministerial Education for aid.

11th. A paper referred to the Committee, from Reliance Circuit, asking for the ordination of Aloysius Green, has been duly considered, and we do not deem it expedient at this time to grant the request.

S. B. SOUTHERLAND, *President of Faculty.*

E.—See page 23.

LITERATURE.

To the Maryland Annual Conference:

The Committee on Literature respectfully reports that a paper has been referred to it from the Book Directory at Baltimore, which is herewith returned for publication in the minutes.

The committee do not see anything to add to the facts as they are thus presented. We believe the subscription list of the PROTESTANT to be far too small and apprehend serious embarrassment if it is not increased. But no plan for increasing it occurs to the committee, and we can only return the fact to the Directory with the hope that they may be able to devise ways of meeting the difficulty.

The committee recognize fully the obligation of pastors to co-operate in the circulation of the paper, and would urge upon the Conference the propriety of enforcing this obligation in every practicable way. But, unless Conference is ready to carry its authority to the point of discipline, the committee can think of no method of giving emphasis to this duty beyond what has already been done.

It seems proper to refer here to the serious illness of Dr. E. J. Drinkhouse, the editor of the METHODIST PROTESTANT, and a member of this Conference. His long and successful labors in connection with the paper entitle him to the appreciative sympathy of his brethren and their prayers for his restoration to efficient labor.

To the publisher, also, Mr. W. J. C. Dulany, the Church is indebted for gratuitous services rendered for the paper during the last year.

We have had nothing referred to us concerning the METHODIST RECORDER and the Sunday School papers, but we take pleasure in commending them to our people as worthy of their patronage.

The committee would also call attention to the requirement of the General Conference, that each person admitted to church membership shall be presented with a copy of the Discipline, and that an excellent cheap edition has been published for this purpose.

Respectfully submitted, T. H. LEWIS, *For the Committee.*

REPORT OF BALTIMORE BOOK DIRECTORY.

The Baltimore Directory, in accordance with the custom of many years, respectfully submits to the Annual Conference a brief report of the condition of the publishing interests committed to their care.

While these interests belong to the whole Church, and our responsibility is to the General Conference which elected us, we would cheerfully give you all needed information; and defer, as far as practicable to your judgment in their management. Indeed, the Maryland Conference, embracing all adjacent territory, and including so large a membership, should be our chief counsellor, as they must in the nature of the case, be our greatest dependence for the circulation of our periodicals and the sale of all the literature of the Church.

It will be remembered that we stated a year ago, in connection with the enlargement of the PROTESTANT, and the change of form, that an increase of 1800 subscribers was necessary to save the publishing house from loss. The Conference approved the change and commended the enterprise of the editor and publisher in this business venture. It also adopted a resolution pledging each member to an earnest effort to secure ten new subscribers during the year. We hoped for large results from this united action. But instead of the 1800 new subscribers we have received only about 1100; and in this Conference District we have received only 314.

The Sunday-School literature has steadily increased in circulation from our house, and is one of the sources of profit to the Concern.

While we have not realized the circulation which we hoped for, we are glad to report that there has been during the year a net increase in the METHODIST PROTESTANT of 355, and of Sunday-School papers 835.

The increased cost of the paper and the comparatively small addition to the subscription list has made the financial problem a serious one to the Directory and to the agent.

During the fifteen months of the enlarged form of the paper the publisher has given his time and labor to these interests without compensation. This, of course, cannot be expected to continue indefinitely. The emergency has been met by rigid economy, the best possible use of our advertising columns, and self-sacrificing labor.

What can be done to bring relief? Surely the wisest, and, in every way, the best means is in an enlarged subscription list. Can the Conference suggest a plan to accomplish this? Many complimentary letters come to the editor and publisher, congratulating the Church on the improvement in the old PROTESTANT, but compliments do not pay the printer.

We, as the agents of the Church in this matter, look to the Conferences, and chiefly to the pastors, for support.

HORACE BURROUGH,
J. D. KINZER,
Committee.

F.—See page 23.

EDUCATION.

The Committee on Education beg leave to report:

1. That the facts and appeals presented in the interesting and earnest address of the Secretary of the Board of Ministerial Education, and in the report of said Board, should receive the serious attention of the Church and stimulate the members thereof to increase their contributions in aid of the work committed to the oversight of the Board. We bespeak for the Secretary, Rev. J. B. Walker, cordial reception and co-operation in all the Conferences and pastoral charges he may be able to visit.

2. The Report of Rev. T. H. Lewis, D. D., President of Western Maryland College, shows gratifying progress in the work of that Institution. As that report will be published in connection with this, particular reference to the facts presented is unnecessary. The President and Faculty continues to enjoy the confidence of the Church. We trust that a generous response by the latter to appeals for funds and students will enable the Trustees and Faculty to advance along all the lines of improvement indicated by the enlightened spirit of the age.

The endowment of the College is necessarily a work of time; but, a beginning having been made, the hope is cherished that it will surely go on to completion.

It is important that this Institution should come still nearer to the hearts of our ministers and people.

The Trustees are to be commended for having made a reduction of charges in favor of the children of our itinerant ministers; and, if they shall find it practicable, to make this policy still more pronounced, it is our conviction that increase of interest, on the part both of ministers and people, resulting therefrom will more than compensate for their liberality.

3. The erection of an additional building for the use of Westminster Theological Seminary meets a felt want of the Institution. For this addition the Church is largely indebted to the President, Rev. J. T. Ward, D. D., who originated the plan and cheerfully gave his labor to its accomplishment. Nor should mention be omitted of the successful efforts of Professor Warfield in furtherance of the plan of Dr. Ward.

Your committee have such a high appreciation of a well-conducted Theological Seminary, that they cannot refrain from the expression of their conviction that no pains should be spared to elevate our Seminary to the highest point of efficiency, both by pecuniary support on the part of the Church and unremitting labors on the part of the Faculty.

4. Not only the Maryland Conference, but the Church throughout the land, is indebted to the last General Conference for the wise and timely legislation designed to restrict the benefits of the Board of Ministerial Education to those who are most worthy to receive them. We trust that the committees at Westminster and Adrian will execute their trust wisely and firmly, uninfluenced by any consideration save that of doing the best for the Church with the limited means at their command.

5. The urgent demand of the time in which we live is for ministers who are qualified for their work by good common sense, undoubted piety, thorough consecration and a liberal education. Men who are deficient in the last particular may do a good work now, as they have done in the past. But it is evident, that unless we would confine the benefits of our ministry to the humbler classes of society, we must be prepared to address successfully the cultured as well as the illiterate. All need the gospel; as far as in us lieth we should give it to all.

JOHN J. MURRAY,
Chairman.

REPORT OF THE PRESIDENT OF WESTERN MARYLAND COLLEGE.

To the Maryland Annual Conference:

DEAR BRETHREN: My official labors for the past year by your appointment have been in the Presidency of Western Maryland College, and I herewith submit my report of the same.

The College during the year completed its twenty-first year of operation, and is now nearing the close of its twenty-second. We all have abundant reason to rejoice that so much success has attended these years, and that out of the years of doubt and instability to which all such institutions are subject, ours has come, at least secure. The present buildings and grounds, the large and growing patronage, the favorable reputation and the satisfactory condition of the debt, all conspire to produce hope and enthusiasm in the future.

Students.

The list of students in attendance lengthens a little with every year. This year we have enrolled 178, an increase of 18 over the number reported to last Conference, which was the largest, at that time, in our history. Of the present students, 91 are boarders, and all the above are exclusive of the theological students boarding at the College. There was an unusual increase in the number of new students, many localities being represented for the first time; and this was due, largely, to the active canvass made during the summer. In this connection, I make grateful mention of the hearty co-operation given me by the pastors whose charges were visited. Not only were their pulpits put freely at my service, and my work publicly commended, but their interest showed itself actively in most energetic assistance to open the way for personal work. Pastors have come home prematurely from their vacations, risen from sick-beds, borrowed vehicles, hired horses, driven through rain and heat; and when such sacrifices were protested against, would only reply: "The College is as much mine as yours, and this is my business." May the Lord bless them, and the Church appreciate them!

Finances.

The management of the income from students has been about as formerly. We are still making a surplus, although not enough for our growing needs; and we are still getting out of debt, although it sometimes seems to us "a long pull."

The First Term, closing December 10th, cleared a surplus of . . . \$1,861.51
The Second Term, closing March 25th, cleared a surplus of 2,670.56

Making a total surplus for two-thirds of the year of \$4,532.07

This amount has been used in the payment of debt, in the purchase of additional grounds and in improvements to the buildings.

The debt has been decreased since last Conference by the payment of \$4,000, so that the whole amount now due by the College is \$6,000, of which \$4,000 is on the mortgage given to build Smith Hall, and \$2,000 is due on notes, representing the old debt. The prospect is, therefore, very bright that three or four years will witness the total extinction of the debt.

Improvements.

Since the completion of Smith Hall, no essential improvement has been entered upon, but expenditures upon the building, furniture and apparatus have been constantly made.

The main front has been greatly improved by the erection of a porch, extending entirely across the main building, and giving, for the first time, a suitable approach to the building. This cost about \$1,000. An opportunity unexpectedly occurred of buying four acres of ground immediately in the rear of our premises, and this, although somewhat inconvenient as to time, we felt must be embraced and the purchase was made at a cost of about \$800. This ground furnishes ample room for ball and tennis fields and other field sports,

and is therefore a most desirable adjunct to the attractive features of the College. Other expenditures have been made on the interior of the building, and in new fittings, etc., which are always called for more or less.

Gifts.

For the first time, perhaps, we are able to make report to Conference under this head. This year has been to us a remarkable year in this respect. First came the noble example of the Baker Bros., of Buckeystown, Md., who contributed \$4,000 to build a house for the President's residence on the campus. The plans are already adopted and are in the contractors' hands for estimates. Next came a letter from Mr. Samuel Norment, of Washington, who, upon seeing the notice of the gift wrote to ask the pleasure of furnishing one of the rooms of the building for the President's wife. The St. John's Board of Beneficence, of Baltimore, which has been so long a friendly helper to our College, responded with great alacrity to an appeal, and appropriated \$400 towards the further furnishing of the house; and, while it is not prudent generally to announce gifts before they have been bestowed, we may express the hope that the sum for furniture will be increased by other friends to the amount of \$1,000.

The example was next caught by one of the College graduates, and \$3,000 offered for the erection of a gymnasium; which amount was further increased to \$4,000 by the donor in order to carry out more generous plans. I am not yet permitted to name the giver.

These things have filled me with unspeakable gratitude and convince me that a new era has dawned upon the College, when larger things may be expected and realized.

Nor should mention be omitted of another gift of a very pleasing character, and quite as valuable in its way as the others mentioned. Mr. John Smith, the President of the Board since the beginning, and Dr. J. W. Hering, the Treasurer, at the suggestion of the President of the College, contributed each a life-size crayon portrait to the College parlor; so that we have now upon our walls, Dr. Ward's portrait having been previously given by his successor, counterfeit presentments of the noble triumvirate which successfully piloted the College through its most difficult days.

Endowment.

In respect to endowment, we have made a distinct advance, and, although the beginning is small, it is a great satisfaction to know that we now have \$142 invested as an Endowment Fund. This amount came to us from Central Church, Washington, as the gift of Mr. J. S. Topham, \$100, and the remainder raised by the Young Ladies' Endowment Association of that church. Besides this there is a sum of over \$200 invested by our Alumni Association for the same purpose, and the ladies of Lafayette Avenue Church, Baltimore, have about \$100 in hand for the same. This, including the \$500 given by Mrs. Reese, many years ago for endowment, but used by the College under stress for current expenses, would make a total not far from \$1,000, and this we expect shortly to realize, by replacing the amount given by Mrs. Reese, and gathering the whole sum into one investment. Although the way does not at present seem clear for the energetic prosecution of a personal canvass in behalf of endowment, we still keep it in mind and work it as opportunity affords.

Plans for the Future.

First, the immediate future opens to us the necessity of seeking students. Constant and enterprising canvassing is the price of satisfactory patronage. We shall not be satisfied with our roll as long as any children of our Church are sent to other schools for education. And we believe that children are often sent elsewhere for lack of proper information about their own school. I shall, therefore, give all the time possible to this work during vacation, and must again throw myself upon the co-operation of my brethren in the pastorate, "whom I have often tried, never been denied and am willing to try again."

Another building enterprise is also before us in the near future. Our patronage is crowding us out of our present recitation rooms, which remain substantially as they have been for many years, and adequate provision ought now, or soon to be made in this direction. It will probably take the shape of another wing, corresponding to Smith Hall, and a name is ready for it as soon as it is built.

Commending the institution to the same earnest sympathy you have always manifested in it, and trusting my labors in its behalf will meet your approval, this report is respectfully submitted.
T. H. LEWIS.

ANNUAL REPORT OF THE BOARD OF GOVERNORS OF WESTMINSTER THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY, TO THE MARYLAND ANNUAL CONFERENCE, APRIL, 1889.

Students.

The seventh year of the Seminary began Sept. 11th, 1888. The number of students enrolled during the year is 21, besides three others who have been pursuing studies at Western Maryland College with a view to entering the Seminary hereafter, making in all 24. Eleven of the whole number have been assisted in meeting expenses by the Board of Ministerial Education, after due examination and recommendation of the Examining Committee at Westminster, appointed by the last General Conference, which committee have exercised a supervisory care over these beneficiaries. Two of the 11 were permitted to withdraw at the end of the first session, with the understanding that they would continue their studies at their homes and report to the Faculty of the Maryland Conference by whom they were recommended to the committee. Of the other nine beneficiaries, one is from the New Jersey Conference, two from the West Virginia Conference, and six are from the Maryland Conference. Five of these last will, with the committee's approval, apply to enter the active work of the ministry, four of them expecting to graduate at the Seminary in May. Of the students who have been paying their own way, one is from New Jersey, the others are from Maryland; one of these, being of the M. E. Church, entered the Baltimore Conference and received an appointment in March, one will apply to enter the present Conference, and the others expect to continue their studies at the Seminary.

Finances.

It is important here to correct an error in our report of last year as printed in the minutes. The item on page 39, under "Receipts," stating "additional receipts from Maryland Conference, \$1,015.16," should have been \$543.79, which, added to the \$471.87, previously received and credited, would make up the total \$1,015.16, as shown by the table on page 80 of the minutes. This error made the account to represent the Seminary receipts as exceeding the expenditures reported, whereas in fact they were not equal to them, and left a deficiency which was carried over into the present year's account.

The receipts for this year thus far have been as follows:

Collections from Maryland Conference.....	\$487.57
" " North Carolina Conference.....	27.95
" " West Virginia " 	4.20
" " Alabama " 	4.00
From Students—Tuition, \$480; Books, \$43.65.....	523.65
" Board of Ministerial Education.....	715.18
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Total receipts to date.....	\$1,762.55
Yet due from Board of Ministerial Education.....	454.82
" " Students for Tuition.....	35.00
" " " " Books.....	517.9
Additional Collections from Maryland Conference.....	736.66
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Total income for the year.....	\$3,006.98

The expenditures for this year thus far have been as follows:

Paid on Professors' Salaries.....	\$905.00
" for Printing, Advertising, Postage, &c.....	68.98
" Dulany & Co., for Books.....	32.54
" Coal, Janitor, and Sundries.....	218.48
" College on account of Beneficiaries.....	499.32
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Total Expenditures to date.....	\$1,724.32
Yet to be Paid on Salaries.....	665.00
" " Beneficiaries.....	265.00
" " College.....	90.00
" " Janitor's Hire.....	40.00
" " Books.....	18.00
" " Coal.....	34.00
" " Sundries.....	10.00
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Total Expenses for the Year.....	\$2,847.71

The "Annex" to the Building.

This enterprise was entered upon, with the approval of the Board of Governors, by the President of the Seminary, shortly after the adjournment of the last Conference. He issued a circular-letter to pastors of various Conferences asking them to send him the names of persons who would be likely to assist, which was responded to by a large number of pastors who sent, in all, more than a thousand names, and later even this number was largely increased. He then sent another circular to those whose names were given him, ultimately addressing and appealing to about three thousand persons. From May 1st, 1888, to January 5th, 1889, he received money responses to the number of five hundred and thirty, yielding altogether the sum of \$1,398.60. He was greatly aided in the work by his colleague, Professor E. A. Warfield, who sent a special appeal to Sunday-School children, whose responses are counted in the number above referred to. The children's contribution amounted to over \$200, included in the above named sum. With this money the needed annex was erected and paid for, so far as the exterior is concerned. Several hundred dollars more will be required to put the interior in condition for occupancy, and this we hope will be contributed in time to have the building fit for use this fall.

It is a fine improvement, adds greatly to the appearance of the former building, and will, with it, render the entire building capable of accommodating thirty students.

The President connected with his effort an appeal for means to endow the Institution, and if all whom he addressed would respond, as so many of them did, he would have an endowment fund of at least \$5,000. He has the hearty endorsement of the Board of Governors to continue his effort, and we sincerely hope he will meet with the fullest success.

Notwithstanding the increase of the Conference assessments for the year, over that of former years, in view of enabling the Seminary to employ an additional teacher to reside in the building, the amount of the collections up to the time of the Seminary reopening in September, were but little more than that of former years. Therefore no additional teacher was employed.

Every year of the existence of the Seminary has proved its utility and importance, and the rapid growth of our denomination is making the demand for well-educated ministers more and more imperative.

While our plans for the next year are not perfected, they will be modified and determined by the amount of provision of the Conference for the support of the Seminary. We do not contemplate any arrangement which will destroy the solidarity of the Seminary. We ask the Conference to continue the assessment of last year, and to continue the appointment of Dr. Ward as President of the Seminary.

L. W. BATES,
President of Board.

G.—See page 23.

FOREIGN MISSIONS.

The Committee on Foreign Missions beg leave to report as follows:

Our work in Japan is steadily growing; our missionaries are doing effective and successful work both in the churches and the schools, and their efficiency is growing as time and experience develop opportunity, and new methods of mission work.

The spirit of missions has not yet fully taken hold of all our ministers and laymen, so as to reach the maximum degree of power and usefulness in this field. So long as ministers make light excuses, which the Conference readily accepts, so long as brethren will persist in using Children's Day collections to cover the Conference assessments, and thus employ the new plans, only to set aside the old ones; so long as the enthusiasm which the work of missions inspires is employed to obtain a large collection, which is then divided among all the general interests, it will be impossible to materially increase either the mission spirit or the missionary collections among us.

The Board of Foreign Missions is making an effort to increase the collections of the Church to \$25,000. This is equal to seventeen cents per member. This is not a large amount, and the Church can hardly expect that the Great Master of men will lessen this obligation in the world's salvation.

We recommend that Children's Day be observed in all our Sunday-Schools, and that the amount collected on that day be reported as a separate item in the pastors' reports, and so published in the Minutes.

We recommend that every pastor preach a sermon in each church of his charge, on the subject of Foreign Missions, and that a collection be then taken to meet the assessment of the Conference for this purpose.

We recommend that the plans of the Corresponding Secretary be generally adopted, by the pastors, and that they cordially co-operate with him, to develop the spirit of missions among our people, and increase the collections as much as possible.

We recommend that the Committee of Finance make separate assessments for the Foreign and Home Missionary interests of the Church, in accordance with the action of the last General Conference.

We believe there is no interest that will more surely react upon the Church in blessing and prosperity than the thorough development of the mission spirit. It is a manifest requirement of the Word of God, it is the leading interest of the Christian Church of this day, and it is the most unselfish and inspiring form of benevolence that claims the liberality of the thoughtful followers of Christ.

We have no report from the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society, but we are sure that they are pushing their interests with energy and ability, and doing efficient and successful work both in the collection of funds and in the spread of the Gospel in Japan. We cordially commend them to the churches as worthy of their full confidence and co-operation.

We rejoice at the presence of our first ordained missionary among us, Rev. F. C. Klein, and pray that he may not only be useful while he remains with

us, but that his health will be so restored that he may be able to resume his chosen work.

We have no definite statistics since last year, but the Corresponding Secretary reports that the number of church members, and the number of pupils in our schools are steadily increasing. He also promises to publish complete statistics immediately after the meeting of the Board in May.

L. W. BATES, *Chairman*.

H.—See page 24.

TEMPERANCE.

Your committee think we cannot do better than to recommend the adoption in part of the report of the last General Conference, both because it is a very strong utterance upon that subject, and because, being published in our Minutes, it will have a wider circulation among the members of our Church within the bounds of our District, to wit:

"With pleasure and pride we call attention to the fact that the Methodist Protestant Church has always stood at the front of the most advanced thought and movement on the great question of Temperance. We rejoice in the success of any effort and any measure used to destroy the traffic in alcoholic drinks, and will gladly join in any effort for its restriction, which will not compromise our Christian character; but as every form of so-called restriction by license or taxation tends to entrench the traffic behind the cupidity of the tax-payer, and renders us '*partes participantes*' to the crime of its continuance, we therefore believe that the only successful way of destroying this hydra-headed monster is by constitutional prohibition, State and national, and that the only efforts in which we as Christian people can engage are those which look toward this end; therefore,

"*Resolved*, 1. That we are unalterably opposed to any form of license, high or low, as being wrong in principle and pernicious in practice.

"*Resolved*, 2. That any minister or member who makes, buys, sells, or signs a petition for license to sell, uses or gives to others as a beverage any spirituous or malt liquors, is guilty of immorality and shall be dealt with accordingly.

"*Resolved*, 3. We believe the time has fully come when Christian men should rise above party prejudice and sectional jealousy, and give their suffrage to any party which has for its object the protection of our homes by the destruction of the unholy traffic."

"*Resolved*, 4. That we are in sympathy with the work of the Woman's Christian Temperance Union, the Sons of Temperance, Good Templars, and other Temperance organizations, and pray that God may speed the day when the Church of Christ shall say at the ballot-box, in every part of our great land, to this great mountain of iniquity, "Be thou removed and be thou cast into the sea," and it shall be done.

J. L. MILLS, *Chairman*.

I.—See page 24.

GENERAL HOME MISSIONS.

Your Committee on General Home Missions find that the General Conference of May, 1888, organized a Board of Home Missions, and gave it charge of "all mission work in the United States and Territories, except those missions under

the control of and sustained by Annual Conferences." The Board has authority to support missionaries and to loan money for building purposes.

It has been doing a good work in the establishment and support of Mission fields in the South and West. It has eleven missions under its care, the outlook of which is full of promise. It has numerous and pressing appeals to establish new missions in growing cities, where the prospect is encouraging for strong churches.

We learn that thousands of our people are moving westward, and appeal to the church of their choice to send them missionaries, so that they may hear the blessed Gospel preached by ministers of their own denomination.

We recommend that the Committee on Finance apportion \$1,000 to the various charges, according to their best judgment.

We recommend that pastors preach upon the subject of Home Missions, and clearly state to their congregations the object, work, necessities, and advantages of this interest, and endeavor to collect the full amount of assessment.

We recommend that the Committee on General Home Missions be increased from three to five—three ministers and two laymen.

W. J. NEEPIER, *Chairman*.

J.—See page 24.

FRATERNAL RELATIONS.

Your committee respectfully recommend that the request of the Quarterly Conference of St. John's Independent Methodist Church be granted, viz., the loan of Rev. J. J. Murray, D. D., for the ensuing year to that church.

We express our appreciation of the letter received from Rev. Geo. R. Barr, D. D., fraternal messenger from the Virginia Conference, bearing the Christian greetings of that body. We regret (owing to indisposition) the absence of this devoted man of God, who is now in the evening of life, and must soon, according to nature, be gathered unto his fathers.

We extend to him our sympathy and pray that when the end of life has been reached it may be to him as the beautiful sunset.

We are glad to have with us Bro. James H. Butt, who comes as a fraternal messenger in connection with Dr. Barr, of the Virginia Methodist Protestant Conference. We recommend that fraternal messengers be appointed by the President of this Conference to the next session of the Virginia Conference, to extend our brotherly love and regards, and most earnest desire for its prosperity and usefulness.

A communication was received from Rev. J. P. Miller, D. D., of the United Brethren Penna. Conference, as a fraternal messenger of that body, bearing fraternal greetings to this body. We recommend that messengers be appointed to visit the Penna. Conference of the United Brethren Church, at its next session.

We also recommend, as Rev. B. F. Jester desires to visit the Iowa Conference of the Methodist Protestant Church, that he be appointed a fraternal messenger to that body to bear our greetings and well wishes.

We are also happy to have in our midst Bro. B. Stout, who not only comes as the Secretary of the Home Missionary Society, but also as a fraternal messenger of the West Virginia Conference.

DANIEL W. BATES, *Chairman.*

K.—See page 24.

HOME MISSIONARY STEWARD.

Charges.	Appropriation.	Paid.	Deficient.
Cumberland.....	\$100.00	\$66.03	\$33.97
Chincoteague.....	150.00	99.05	50.95
Middleway.....	75.00	49.52	25.48
Sussex.....	100.00	66.03	33.97
Georgetown, Del.....	50.00	33.02	16.98
Powellville.....	100.00	66.03	33.97
Salisbury.....	200.00	132.06	67.94
Wilmington.....	200.00	132.06	67.94
Potomac.....	150.00	99.05	50.95
Felton.....	150.00	99.05	50.95
Crumpton.....	50.00	33.02	16.98
Cambridge.....	300.00	198.09	101.91
Seaford.....	150.00	99.09	49.91
	\$1,775.00	\$1,172.10	\$601.90
Paid Deficiencies.....		1,054.88	
" C. C. Bartgis & Bro.....		12.60	
		\$2,239.58	
Received from District.....	\$2,179.58		
" " other sources.....	62.00		
		2,241.58	
Balance on hand.....		\$2.00	
Per cent. paid, 66.03.			

JOHN S. BOWERS, *Steward.*

L.—See page 25.

SUPERANNUATED CLAIMANTS.

The committee has made appropriations conscientiously according to the law of the Church and the statement made by each beneficiary. They cannot be influenced by any speculations of the uninformed. The committee is always accessible to any member of the Conference who has any objection to the allowances which are made from time to time, and that is the proper place to make any allegation against the equity of the claims allowed to superannuates. Inasmuch as there have been complaints against the action of the Conference in the sums allowed certain claimants, which have prejudiced the claims of the Superannuated Fund in general, these objections should either be urged at Conference, where they can have practical effect, or the action of the Conference, according to the light it has, should effectually silence all adverse criticism. The total amount appropriated is \$10,150. The amount disbursed last year from vested fund and assessments was \$5,706.

From this it will appear that, unless there is a decided increase in the collections, there will be far from an adequate provision for the needs of the claimants. We make an earnest appeal for sympathetic and energetic effort to largely increase the Superannuated Fund collection, and recommend the assessment for superannuates be \$3,000.

In order that the series of resolutions enacted by this Conference touching the alleged misappropriation of the Superannuated Fund may be made of practical effect, be it

Resolved, 1st. That the Board of Managers of the Superannuated Fund Society be constituted a commission of investigation, and are hereby instructed and required thoroughly to review the list of claimants and appropriations, and report to this body at its next session whether or not said appropriations are according to the law of the Church and justified by the needs of the beneficiaries in each particular case.

Resolved, 2d. That the Committee on Superannuated Claimants shall place in the hands of the Board the written statements of claimants upon which they have acted, and all other information the Board may require; and further, that the Board shall, through the METHODIST PROTESTANT, advertise all who question the propriety of any appropriation to prefer their charge in writing, over their signature, and accompanied by the vouchers and proofs, at or before a certain specified date.

Resolved, 3d. That hereafter all ministers placed upon the Superannuated List by the Conference shall present their claim to the Board, cases of emergency excepted.

APPROPRIATIONS.	
S. B. Southerland.....	\$600
J. W. Everist.....	100
H. J. Day.....	200
D. W. Bates.....	300
James Thompson.....	300
J. K. Nichols.....	250
W. G. Holmes.....	100
J. H. Ellegood.....	350
J. G. Sullivan.....	300
R. Scott Norris.....	350
W. J. D. Lucas.....	400
H. C. Cushing.....	200
J. A. Weigand.....	400
Mrs. I. T. Adkins.....	200
" W. C. Ames.....	300
" Daniel Bowers.....	100
" Thos. M. Bryan.....	200
" C. T. Cochell.....	250
" W. T. Dumm.....	300
" J. M. Elderdice.....	350
Mrs. C. Eversole.....	\$200
" D. F. Ewell.....	200
" D. N. Gilbert.....	300
" A. Greenaway.....	200
" J. A. McFaden.....	350
" C. B. Middleton.....	350
" H. E. Miskimon.....	300
" J. E. Read.....	200
" D. E. Reese.....	250
" John Roberts.....	350
" D. A. Shermer.....	150
" T. M. Wilson.....	200
" P. L. Wilson.....	150
" F. G. Wright.....	200
" W. T. Wright.....	200
" J. F. Whiteside.....	150
" S. G. Valiant.....	200
" W. F. Livingston.....	200
" T. Lee.....	200
" T. D. Valiant.....	350

J. T. MURRAY, *Chairman.*

M.—See page 25.

VACANT CHURCHES.

To the President and Members of the Maryland Annual Conference:
The committee appointed to look after vacant churches, submit the following report:
In the early history of our church, Peter Light, a man of wealth, a member

of the Methodist Protestant Church, purchased a lot and built a neat, substantial brick church in the town of Williamsport, Maryland, entirely at his own expense. Said church was occupied and used by the ministers and members of the Methodist Protestant Church during the life of said Peter Light, by his authority and full consent. At his death, which occurred in 1853, the following was found in his will, viz.: "I hereby will and bequeath all of my right, title and interest in and to the building and lot of the Rehoboth Church, of the Methodist Protestant Church, to trustees to be appointed by the Quarterly Conference of said church, and I hereby renounce and relinquish all claims against said church."

The ministers of the Maryland Annual Conference occupied its pulpit and our members worshipped there until the war, when the Federal soldiers took possession of it and damaged it to such an extent, that at its close, upon application the General Government appropriated \$1,700 to put said church in proper repair. Bro. Charles Embrey, a prominent member of the church, put it in complete repair, and Bro. T. D. Valiant was called upon to conduct the opening services. At the close of the services Bro. Embrey informed the congregation that the expenses were considerable in excess of the appropriation of the General Government. An effort was made by cash and valid subscriptions to meet this deficiency, and after canvassing through the congregation, Bro. Embrey reported a sufficiency had been secured. When Judge Embrey died, his son Theodore (his executor) presented a mortgage for \$742, signed by the board of trustees. We expressed our astonishment to Hon. L. E. McComas, Mr. Embrey's attorney. We employed Hon. A. K. Syester to look into the case, and the mortgage was acknowledged to be a legal failure. Nevertheless we did not feel at liberty to repudiate the claim, we therefore proposed a compromise.

In 1855, Mr. Enoch Jones, a gentleman living about two-and-a-half miles from Williamsport, died; in his will left a legacy of \$400 to be put at interest, and the sum of \$25 to be paid annually to the Methodist Protestant minister who should preach in a small church which Mr. Jones had erected for the double purpose of a place of worship and a tomb for himself and wife. In this will he made Judge Embrey trustee of said fund. As Mr. Theodore Embrey, the executor of Judge Embrey's estate was now the custodian of this legacy, we proposed to surrender the Jones legacy on condition that the executor of Judge Embrey's estate would cancel the mortgage. This was agreed to, but in order to accomplish this it was necessary for a third party to administer on the Enoch Jones estate, as far as this legacy was concerned, and for said administrator to execute the change with said executor of Judge Embrey's estate. Soon after the rise of the last Annual Conference, the President of the Conference, Bro. Wm. S. Hammond, requested Thos. A. Murray, Esq., to look after our interests in the case. He went to Hagerstown, took out letters of administration on the Jones legacy, and called upon the administrator of Theodore Embrey's estate and received the sum of \$410.03.

But now a new difficulty presents itself. Hon. L. E. McComas informs us that the executor of Peter Light's will has sold the church for \$1,200.

On the 9th of October, Mr. F. F. McComas called our attention by letter to

the original proposition of mutual surrender. We declined unless we could get entire possession of the church property.

The better course to pursue is a question for consideration. Several plans present themselves.

1st. If possible for the Conference to appoint a pastor to said church to Williamsport charge and demand the church.

2d. If said society has so far become extinct and to come under the Discipline, pages 115, 116; or,

3d. To authorize the President of this Conference to sanction the sale of said church and for the Conference to claim whatever balance may occur after satisfying the Embrey claim; or,

4th. Make no contest at all, but let the executor of Peter Light sell the property for the benefit of the heirs.

We have received a letter from parties proposing to buy Spindler's Church. We would respectfully suggest that this Conference authorize the sale of such church, and the finances be applied to the Parkton Church, Baltimore county, Stewartstown Circuit.

D. W. BATES, *Chairman.*

N.—See page 22.

BOUNDARIES.

Your Committee on Boundaries respectfully submit the following reports:

1st. We recommend that Mariner's appointment be detached from Somerset Circuit and made a station, to be known as Mariner's Station.

2nd. That Salem appointment be detached from Pocomoke City and connected with Somerset Circuit.

3rd. That Quinton appointment be detached from Pocomoke Circuit and attached to Pocomoke City.

4th. That Nassawanga appointment be detached from Powellsville Circuit and connected with Pocomoke Circuit.

5th. That Salem and Beulah churches, in Fairfax county, Va., be attached to Potomac Mission, and that the relation of the said mission to the Conference be changed to that of a circuit, to be known as Potomac Circuit.

6th. That Georgetown (Delaware) Mission be supplied with a single man, and that Indian River Mission be placed under the fostering care of Georgetown (Delaware) Mission.

7th. That owing to an extension of territory the request of Jefferson Circuit, for a married and a single man, be granted.

8th. After a careful consideration of all matters pertaining to Frederick Circuit, we are of the opinion that the action of last year (see Conference Minutes, page 41,) was inoperative for want of record as to boundary lines of the proposed circuits and the inability of Frederick Circuit to adjust their parsonage property differences. We therefore recommend that the request of the Quarterly Conference of Frederick Circuit, to be continued in their undivided relation to this Conference, be granted.

9th. It would be unwise at this time to accede to the request of the Quar-

terly Conference of Cambridge Circuit, to set off St. Paul's, in East Cambridge, as a Mission.

N. T. MEGINNISS, *Chairman.*

O.—See page 26.

HOME MISSIONS.

Your Committee on Home Missions beg leave to report that they have patiently heard and carefully considered all appeals made to them for aid from the funds of the Home Missionary Society, and have examined all the facts in each particular case. The committee would have gladly granted the sums asked for by certain applicants could they have seen any prospect of paying the amounts within a reasonable time. But we fail to see the wisdom of making appropriations so largely in excess of the income of the Society as to perpetuate its debt from year to year. We have, however, done our very best to recommend help in all cases where we hope and believe there is a reasonable prospect to build up a self-sustaining and aggressive church organization in the near future.

We will need the sum of \$2,400 to meet the demands on the Home Mission funds of the Conference for the ensuing year.

We recommend the continuance of the plan adopted by the last Conference, providing the pastors with envelopes for use in securing the amounts assessed to their respective charges.

We recommend that Leipsic, Talbot, Chesterfield, Campbell, Amelia and Williamsport be left without appropriation.

The following appropriations are recommended:

That Centreville be constituted a mission, with an appropriation of \$200; Wilmington, \$200; Cumberland, \$100; Crumpton, \$100; Powellsville, \$50; Sussex, \$50, if supplied with a married man; Chincoteague, \$100; Seaford, \$1.50; Felton, \$1.50; Salisbury, \$250; Harper's Ferry, \$50, if supplied; Cambridge, \$200, provided the pastor gives Sabbath services to Madison and Chateau; Georgetown, Del., \$100, if supplied; Middleway, \$100, if supplied.

J. D. KINZER, *Chairman.*

P.—See page 27.

SUNDAY SCHOOLS.

Your committee respectfully tender their report.

The outlook of our Sunday-school work is very encouraging and hopeful.

Our own Conference schools bear comparison well with those of the whole Methodist Protestant Church. Statistics, furnished by our Sunday-school editor in a letter to this Conference, show in his entire field the number of scholars to be 134,543; and the number of publications of all kinds issued the last year to be 117,337.

In our District the number of schools is 237½; of scholars, 20,633; of teachers and officers, 2,761; of M. P. publications taken, 16,117; and number of scholars converted, 652.

As the salvation of the children, the enlargement of our church, and the consequent purity of society are the objects to be attained by the Sunday-school, a few specialties incident to it, it is essential to keep before our people:

1. The use of our own literature.
2. Thorough teaching and learning of the lessons provided.
3. Teachers meetings to study the lessons under the pastor or other competent person.
4. The teacher to be the leader of his class in the sense of showing the deepest interest in the spiritual welfare of the children; securing their punctual attendance at school; exhorting them to seek the Saviour, and praying for them.
5. Ways and means to make the school-hour pass as one of the greatest pleasure.
6. Praying by the Church for the regeneration of the infants of the Sunday-school.

We earnestly recommend these methods or their equivalents to secure the prime objects of the Sunday-school.

We recommend also that our people visit our Sunday-schools while in session, and identify themselves in the minds of the children with their interests.

We hereby heartily endorse the work of our Sunday-school editor.

Respectfully submitted,

H. C. CUSHING, *Chairman.*

Q.—See page 27.

SABBATH OBSERVANCE.

Your Committee on Sabbath Observance respectfully submit the following:

That there is a disposition, wide-spread, in the Christian communities of our land to ignore the claims of the Christian Sabbath to be observed as a day entirely consecrated to the worship of God and to religious meditation; that there is an element in the general community whose feeling toward this day is that of positive antipathy, which is ever and anon manifesting itself in the evasion and often in the open disregard of the laws enacted to protect it from desecration as a day of quietude and rest; that corporations have grown bold in the employment on this day of workmen in doing not only what is claimed to be necessary in conducting a business, which cannot, from its very nature, be entirely interrupted for an hour, but also in executing works of repair and original construction; that many individuals make active preparations on Sunday for entering upon the work to be executed during the following day; that the great public seems inclined to regard the Lord's Day as one of special privilege, to "do as you please," are patent to even the casual observer, and call upon all who cherish the welfare of our land to use their influence in maintaining the sanctity of the Sabbath and in guarding the institution against those who would seek its destruction.

Further, your committee recommend as meeting a special demand of the hour, the adoption of the following resolutions offered by John J. Murray, L.

W. Bates, Chas. W. Button, Wm. B. Usilton, and referred by the Conference to the Committee on Sabbath Observance :

WHEREAS, A weekly day of rest has been appointed by Divine authority, and all experience tends to show that the institution is beneficial, and ought to be maintained ; and,

WHEREAS, Petitions numerously signed have been presented to the Congress of the United States, praying that the benefits of this benign institution may be extended to all the employes of the Government ; therefore,

1. *Be it Resolved*, That the Maryland Annual Conference of the Methodist Protestant Church does hereby most cordially unite with the aforesaid petitioners, and that we will not cease to pray that the hearts of our national legislators may be turned to the favorable consideration of this subject.

2. *Resolved*, That this Conference is in full sympathy with all laboring men and women who are seeking the privilege of rest and worship, according to the Divine appointment ; that our ministers should aid them by their influence and public ministrations, and that all our people are earnestly exhorted to do whatever they can to effect the desirable result.

3. *Resolved*, That this Conference has been highly gratified by the information contained in the daily journals, that the President of the United States has ordered inspections in the army to be made hereafter on Saturday, instead of Sunday, thereby affording our soldiers the privilege of rest and worship on the Lord's Day.

4. *Resolved*, That a copy of these resolutions be furnished by the Secretary to the METHODIST PROTESTANT and METHODIST RECORDER for publication ; also, that a copy be forwarded to the President of the United States and to Hon. E. K. Wilson, of the U. S. Senate, and Hon. L. C. McComas, of the U. S. House of Representatives, with a request to the latter that these resolutions be presented to the houses of which they are respectively members.

J. T. LASSELL, *Chairman*.

R.—See page 27.

GENERAL CONFERENCE FUND.

The committee to whom was referred the report of Bro. Horace Burrough, Treasurer of General Conference funds to defray expenses of delegates, beg leave to report that they have examined the papers of said treasurer, and find them correct according to statement. Each member of the delegation having received the sum of \$28.56. We recommend that the thanks of the Conference be extended to Bro. Burrough for his efficient service.

T. D. VALIANT, *Chairman*.

S.—See page 27.

BENEVOLENT AGENCIES.

Your committee have to report : That the aggregate amount collected on the Maryland District for the Maryland Bible Society, as reported by Conference Steward, is \$221.25. The annual donation by Mrs. Tamsey A. Reese is \$150. The whole amount being \$371.25.

We recommend that the following persons be elected as Life Directors of the Maryland Bible Society : Revs. J. E. Nicholson and W. R. Graham ; and that the following persons be elected as Life Members of said Society : F. H. Mullineaux, A. A. Harryman, J. L. Elderdice and G. D. Edmonston.

Also, your committee report : That the whole amount collected on the District, as reported by the Steward, for the Maryland Tract Society, is \$140.70. We recommend that the following person be made a Life Director : Rev. R. L. Lewis ; and that the following persons be made Life Members : Rev. W. W. White, G. J. Smith, E. H. Vandyke.

R. S. ROWE, *Chairman*.

T.—See page 27.

OFFICIAL REPORTS.

Your committee have examined the reports of the pastors of the various charges and found them correct, save in a few instances, and the errors were soon rectified by the pastors concerned, whereupon we passed the reports. Rev. F. H. Mullineaux is to be commended for zeal and interest in securing the largest number of subscribers to the METHODIST PROTESTANT. He received 46 new subscribers and five renewals. We recommend that the brethren make some mark of recognition to each question on the blank reports, so that the committee may know that each question has been noticed.

J. R. NICHOLS, *Chairman*.

U.—See page 27.

CHURCH EXTENSION.

To the Maryland Annual Conference :

BRETHREN : Your committee, to whom the report made at the last annual session by the Committee on Church Extension Society was referred, beg leave to report :

That we are of opinion that there are no legal difficulties in the way of consolidating our Home Missionary with the proposed Church Extension Society, nor in the way of transferring the property and funds of the former to the latter. And we are of the opinion further, that this measure is not only practicable, but it is very desirable that these interests, which are so closely related in their character and object, should be blended in one organization or corporation.

We recommend the adoption of the report above referred to, with the following amendments, to wit :

That resolution 1 be amended to read as follows : That we now proceed to organize the "Board of Church Extension of the Maryland Annual Conference of the Methodist Protestant Church," to be located in Baltimore city, in the State of Maryland, under such articles of incorporation, conforming as nearly as possible to the form prescribed by the Discipline, as will at the same time effectuate the purposes expressed in the 5th resolution. That resolution 5 be amended to read as follows : That a committee be appointed to secure the proper articles of incorporation, and to recommend what is necessary to be done to consolidate the two societies or incorporations, and to effect the transfer to the Church Extension Society the funds and the property and

funds of the Home Missionary Society, and that such committee take competent legal advice and make report of their action and recommendations at the next Annual Conference.

Respectfully submitted,

JAMES R. CATON, *Chairman.*

V.—See page 28.

REPORT OF STEWARD OF SUPERANNUATED FUND.

RECEIPTS.

Collections from District.....	\$1,400.80
From Investment.....	2,521.59
Annual Dues.....	64.75
Anniversary Collection.....	120.63
Received by T. O. Crouse, from investment.....	2,136.14
	<u>\$6,243.91</u>

DISBURSEMENTS.

For Investment.....	\$ 201.62
To Incoming Superannuates.....	120.00
Expenses of Secretary and Steward.....	3.25
Distributed by J. M. Sheridan.....	3,687.95
Distributed by T. O. Crouse.....	2,136.14
	<u>\$6,243.96</u>

DISTRIBUTION.

	Claim.	Amt. Paid.
S. B. Southerland.....	\$600	\$340.92
J. W. Everist.....	100	56.82
H. J. Day.....	200	113.64
D. W. Bates.....	300	170.46
Jas. Thompson.....	300	170.46
Jas. K. Nichols.....	250	142.05
W. G. Holmes.....	100	56.82
J. H. Ellegood.....	350	198.85
J. G. Sullivan.....	400	229.28
R. S. Norris.....	300	170.46
W. J. D. Lucas.....	450	255.69
W. F. Livingston.....	400	229.28
H. C. Cushing.....	400	229.28
J. A. Weigand.....	200	113.64
Mrs. I. T. Adkins.....	200	113.64
" W. C. Ames.....	300	170.46
" D. Bowers.....	100	56.82
" T. M. Bryan.....	200	113.64
" C. T. Cochel.....	250	142.05
" W. T. Dumm.....	300	170.46
" J. M. Elderdice.....	350	198.85
" C. Eversole.....	200	113.64
" D. F. Ewell.....	200	113.64
" D. N. Gilbert.....	300	170.46
" Ann Greenaway.....	200	113.64
" Thos. Lee.....	200	113.64
" J. H. McFaden.....	350	198.85
" C. B. Middleton.....	350	198.85

Mrs. H. E. Miskimon.....	\$300	\$170.46
" J. E. Read.....	200	113.64
" D. E. Reese.....	250	142.05
" John Roberts.....	300	198.87
" D. A. Shermer.....	200	113.64
" T. M. Wilson.....	200	113.64
" P. L. Wilson.....	150	85.23
" F. G. Wright.....	200	113.64
" W. T. Wright.....	200	113.64
" M. H. Whiteside.....	150	85.23
" S. G. Valiant.....	200	113.64

\$10,250 \$5,824.09

J. M. SHERIDAN, *Steward.*

W.—See page 28.

FINANCE.

Your Committee on Finance beg leave to report that they have examined the report of the Secretary of the Conference, with vouchers, and found it correct, and the same has already been appropriately referred.

Your committee beg leave to present the tabular statement of assessments for the various general interests of the District.

B. F. BENSON, *Chairman.*

X.—See page 18.

CREDENTIALS.

Your committee respectfully report that they have examined the credentials placed in their hands by the Secretary of Conference, and found them correct.

JAS. H. DODD, *Chairman.*

Y.—See page 20.

PRESIDENT'S PARSONAGE.

Your Committee on President's Parsonage have examined the report of Bro. J. N. Gilbert, and find same correct according to vouchers and statements.

We recommend that Bro. Gilbert be continued as agent of the President's Parsonage, and that the thanks of this Conference be extended to him for his efficient attention to this interest.

T. D. VALIANT, *Chairman.*

Z.—See page 24.

PRESIDENT'S REPORT.

The Committee on President's Report respectfully beg leave to submit as their report, the following:

We have reason to congratulate ourselves, and should feel profoundly thankful to God, for the large measure of success given to our labors during the

past year, as shown by the statistical information therein furnished. Nearly 3,000 members added to the Church, and more than \$75,000 expended in the building and improving of 107 churches and parsonages, is cause of thankfulness and rejoicing.

In accordance with suggestions made in the report, we recommend,

1st. That the Committee on Vacant Churches be continued.

2d. That the \$37 remaining from the sale of the Clear Spring property be left in the hands of the President.

3d. The ground of the suggestions in regard to our Superannuated Fund interests, being covered by recommendations already made, by special and standing committees thereon, we have nothing further to recommend.

4th. We recommend the early incorporation of the Conference by trustees, to be elected or otherwise designated at this session.

J. W. CHARLTON, *Chairman.*

AA.—See page 28.

PLAN OF APPOINTMENTS.

PRESIDENT, W. M. STRAYER, 1.

Accomac.....	G. F. Farring, 1.
Alexandria.....	L. R. Dyott, 2.
Amelia and Chesterfield.....	J. F. Wooden, 2.
Anne Arundel.....	J. W. Gray, 4; J. R. Nichols, 3.
Baltimore.....	J. L. Elderdice, 3.
Barren Creek.....	B. A. Dumm, 2.
Bedford.....	A. A. Harryman, 3.
Belair.....	S. A. Hoblitzell, 4.
Broadway.....	H. L. Elderdice, 5.
Cambridge.....	S. F. Cassen, 1.
Campbell.....	Elmer Simpson, 1.
Caroline.....	C. S. Arnett, 2.
Cecil.....	J. B. Jones, 1.
Central.....	S. R. Murray, 3.
Centreville.....	T. O. Crouse, 5.
Chesapeake.....	B. F. Benson, 2.
Chestertown.....	W. R. Graham, 5.
Chincoteague.....	B. P. Truitt, 3.
Clayton.....	C. R. Blades, 2.
Concord.....	C. H. Littleton, 2.
Crisfield.....	J. W. Kirk, 5.
Crumpton.....	G. J. Smith, 2.
Cumberland.....	E. H. Vandyke, 2.
Deer Creek.....	B. W. Kindley, 1.
Deer Park.....	Wm. A. Crouse, 2.
Delta.....	S. C. Ohrum, 2.
Dorchester.....	W. D. Litsinger, 1.
East Baltimore.....	J. D. Kinzer, 4.

Easton.....	J. W. Trout, 1.
Eutaw.....	J. M. Gill, 5.
Fawn Grove.....	J. M. Yingling, 4.
Felton.....	W. W. White, 2.
Finksburg.....	J. T. Lassell, 2.
First Church.....	J. E. Nicholson, 2.
Franklin City.....	To be supplied, 1.
Frederick.....	E. O. Ewing, 2; C. E. McCullough, 2.
Georgetown.....	L. W. Bates, 5.
Georgetown, Del.....	To be supplied, 2.
Grove.....	R. S. Williamson, 2.
Hampden.....	J. L. Straughn, 2.
Harper's Ferry.....	To be supplied, 1.
Harrington.....	C. M. Thompson, 3.
Howard.....	Jesse Shreeve, 3.
Heathsville.....	C. H. Day, 1.
Jefferson.....	J. M. Sheridan, 5; W. S. Phillips, 1.
Kennedyville.....	D. E. Day, 1.
Kent Island.....	J. W. Daugherty, 2.
Laurel.....	G. Q. Bacchus, 3.
Leipsic.....	H. W. D. Johnson, 2.
Liberty.....	S. T. Ferguson, 3.
Lisbon.....	J. L. Killgore, 2.
Lynchburg.....	T. E. Coulbourn, 5.
Mariner's.....	J. H. S. Ewell, 1.
Middleway.....	G. R. Hodge, 1.
Milton.....	F. H. Mullineaux, 2.
Mt. Tabor.....	To be supplied, 1.
Newark.....	W. S. Hammond, 1.
North Carolina Avenue.....	A. W. Mather, 1.
Oxford and Talbot.....	J. M. Holmes, 2.
Pipe Creek.....	J. T. Murray, 1.
Pittsville.....	W. H. Stone, 2.
Pocomoke.....	J. W. Norris, 1.
Pocomoke City.....	A. D. Melvin, 4.
Potomac.....	E. R. McGregor, 2.
Powellsville.....	A. J. Walter, 3.
Quantico.....	A. D. Dick, 2.
Queen Anne's.....	S. J. Smith, 2.
Reliance.....	Aloysius Green, 2.
Rowlandville.....	J. W. Grant, 2.
St. James.....	S. B. Tredway, 3.
St. Luke's.....	J. W. Balderston, 3.
St. Michael's.....	W. M. Poisal, 2.
Salisbury.....	R. L. Lewis, 2.
Seaford.....	D. W. Anstine, 3.
Snow Hill.....	B. F. Jester, 2.

Somerset.....	W. J. Neepier, 2.
South Baltimore.....	J. E. T. Ewell, 7.
Starr.....	F. T. Little, 1.
Stewartstown.....	J. S. Bowers, 5.
Surry.....	C. W. McCallister, 1; R. W. Berryman, Sup. Assistant, 14.
Susquehanna.....	J. W. Charlton, 3.
Sussex.....	G. D. Edmonston, 1.
Union.....	G. R. McCready, 3.
Union Bridge.....	J. E. Maloy, 3.
Warwick.....	W. J. Floyd, 2.
Washington-Street.....	R. S. Rowe, 8.
West Baltimore.....	D. L. Greenfield, 7.
Westminster.....	J. L. Mills, 1.
Williamsport.....	To be supplied, 1.
Wilmington.....	F. T. Benson, 1.
Waverly.....	G. W. Haddaway, 2.
Berkley.....	E. R. Washington.
Charleston.....	Francis Brown.

LOANED.

To St. John's.....	J. J. Murray, 7; A. Webster, Pastor Emeritus.
“ Western Maryland College.....	T. H. Lewis, 4.
“ Westminster Theological Seminary.....	J. T. Ward, 4.
“ METHODIST PROTESTANT.....	E. J. Drinkhouse, 15.
“ Board of Missions.....	F. T. Tagg, 5; F. C. Klein, 7.

ASSIGNED FOR DUTY.

Chaplain of U. S. Army.....	D. Wilson, 9.
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Left without Appointment at their own request: R. T. Smith, 2; H. G. Cowan, 1; E. A. Warfield, 1.
Not heard from: J. H. Maynard, 1.

SUPERANNUATES.

J. W. Everist, 22; H. J. Day, 21; James Thompson, 10; J. H. Ellegood, 12; J. K. Nichols, 9; W. G. Holmes, 8; D. W. Bates, 7; S. B. Southerland, 5; H. C. Cushing, 3; J. G. Sullivan, 3; W. J. D. Lucas, 2; R. S. Norris, 2; J. A. Weigand, 2; T. D. Valiant, 1.

OBITUARY.

BB.—See page 19.

REV. WILLIAM FRANCIS LIVINGSTON

Was born May 16th, 1836, in Worcester county, Maryland; died November 29th, 1888, at Westminster, Md. He was received into the Maryland Annual Conference, in March, 1861, at the session held at Newark, New Jersey, and appointed assistant preacher to New Market Circuit. In 1862 he was assistant on Cecil Circuit. After this, impaired health necessitated suspension of his

itinerant labors, until 1872, when he was appointed pastor of Williamsport Circuit, where he continued two years. On November 12th, 1872, he was married to Amanda, a widowed daughter of Charles Embey, of Williamsport. He was pastor of Concord Circuit, 1874-7, four years; of Middleway, 1881-2, two years; of Potomac, 1883-8, five years. Always in feeble and precarious health, his death would not have been an unexpected event at any time within the last ten years, but with a devotion to his work which defied the enervating and opposing powers of disease, through years he fought with the enemy to hold his post. While there was only sufficient breath in his body to proclaim even with wavering and intermitting sound the glad tidings, he continued to preach the gospel. In this he exhibited a heroism truly sublime. I cannot speak of his preaching from personal hearing, but from the character of the man and the fruits of his preaching, I know that it was evangelical, inspired by the Holy Ghost, tender and with the yearning heart intent upon saving souls. He was a true shepherd, taking heed to the flock; watching over it, feeding it, and full of tender care and sympathy. His work always prospered. To his Conference obligations he was faithful, meeting them not because he must, but because he appreciated them as the means of doing good. I knew him officially, more particularly in connection with his last charge, in which he was placed by my appointment in 1883. Of this appointment Bro. Edwin Ball, who was the delegate, says: "I shall always think I was providentially directed to Bro. Livingston. For five successive years he was our pastor, honored and beloved by all who knew him in or out of the church, each year becoming more and more endeared to the people who were so loth to give him up, when at last through the ordering of divine Providence he had to give place to another." His pastorate on Potomac was of exceptional length in the history of that charge; and the improvement of the church was really marvelous. At the end of the third year, he was so ill that he could not attend Conference, and it was feared he might not recover; a delegation waited upon me and urged his reappointment, saying we want him with us sick or well. So he was continued, and regaining sufficient strength for his duties was continued two years longer by appointment of President Hammond.

Toward the close of the year 1887, he had forebodings that the time was near when the Lord would take him up to heaven. He desired ere that time to secure a home for his wife and son. Corresponding with me, a house was selected in Westminster; he came on in February, '88, and approving the selection, purchased the property. In April he brought his family to this home; then he seemed content, he could leave his loved ones in a comfortable house on earth when he should remove to his heavenly home; all care about things on earth was taken from his mind and of the outlook upon the future world, he said: "*The way is clear.*"

My associates in the Obituary Committee, all embalm the memory of Bro. Livingston in words and sentiments which do him honor. Rev. A. W. Mather writes: "His manliness, his humility and piety, impressed me favorably soon after I became acquainted with him; and as I became better acquainted with him, I learned more and more to appreciate his worth. A faithful Christian man and minister has gone to his reward. I trust that when the end shall come to me I may be as ready as I believe that he was."

Rev. J. W. Gray contributes the worthy tribute and well conceived portrait of his character contained in the paragraph following:

"Bro. Livingston, though weak in body, possessed those sterling qualities of mind and heart that endeared him to the people wherever he labored. He not only won their confidence, but retained it. He devoted himself to their good and they loved him for his work's sake. He was faithful, conscientious, free from guile, affectionate, yet fearless in declaring all the "counsel of God." His preaching was eminently religious, and he practiced what he preached. His great piety was the result of close walking with God. Prayer was to him not only a duty but a delight. He loved to linger at a throne of grace. The will of the Master was the supreme law of his life; conformity to the divine

image was the aspiration of his soul; consecration to the work of soul-saving was the overmastering passion of his nature; character and spiritual culture were with him more desirable than any earthly attainments; usefulness were more noble than positions and honors. He passed through a wicked world, wearing the white shield of a stainless life, holding up a high and heavenly standard of piety."

Mr. John H. Barrow bears this testimony: "He was a consistent, earnest Christian minister; I believe he was faithful in all his pastoral duties, and so far as I know 'none knew him but to love.'" During his pastorate of Deer Creek Circuit, though in feeble health, he seldom failed to fill his appointments, and there were many sad hearts when he left."

Mr. Horatio Ball says: "He was a man of great will power; few men in his state of health would have undertaken and gone through what he did and so cheerfully and uncomplainingly. He was a good, practical gospel preacher, grave and earnest in manner; a faithful pastor, always ready to answer any calls to minister the consolations of religion. He was always forward in church enterprise and succeeding in accomplishing his undertakings. By his gentleness he won all classes, either in or out of the church. At times a great sufferer, but always patient and uncomplaining. I have seen him enter the pulpit almost exhausted, he would have to sit and rest before commencing the service; when he announced his text, for about forty minutes he would lose sight of self and know only Jesus and him crucified. At the close he would sing the words he loved so well, 'I'm the child of a King.' It was hard when the time came for the church to part with their beloved pastor. Happy indeed will be his successors who shall endear themselves to the people as he did."

Mr. John A. Shoemaker sends this offering to be woven into the garland which with loving hands we are to lay upon the grave of our departed brother: "Bro. W. F. Livingston was pastor of Concord Circuit for four years, under which we built the M. P. church and added nearly all the present working members we now have. He was faithful in all the duties devolving upon him, even risking his health and life to serve his church and his Master. He had fine qualities, always genial and pleasant as a companion and associate, loved by all who knew him and very much so by his own flock. We never had a pastor more successful in all his labors and especially in adding to the church such as shall be saved and add to his rejoicing on the other shore. We shall ever cherish the memory of his consecrated life, and humbly pray that the church and especially his dear companion may find consolation in that Jesus whom our dear brother so long and so earnestly proclaimed to the world. His wife was a faithful and able companion. In times of protracted services she very ably assisted him; when his infirmities would overcome him she would conduct the services on very successfully."

It only remains to be said that the end of this good man was peace. He longed for the courts of the Lord. The Sabbath previous to his death, he wrestled against a strong wind to get to church. After services he returned home in a state of exhaustion; from that day he gradually declined, until Thursday morning, Thanksgiving day, when his spirit was called to its thanksgiving in heaven. In the afternoon of the day preceding, he sat and talked with me calmly about his departure, and said: "The way is clear." A little after the noon of night, he said to those around, "It is coming," and cast a look of heart-hunger upon his wife for a last kiss, receiving which he closed his eyes in the sleep of the just.

On the Sabbath following his remains were taken to the church, where the funeral obsequies were held; Revs. J. T. Ward, D. D., T. H. Lewis, D. D., Wm. A. Crouse, and the pastor participating in the service. From the same place where nearly six years before he had received his last pastoral charge, and by the same person, was preached his funeral sermon. Near that chancel he sat and worshipped one Sabbath, the next Sabbath his mortal remains lay there in a burial casket, but he had gone to join the spirits of the just men made perfect.

J. T. MURRAY, *Chairman.*

RESOLUTIONS.

1.—See page 20.

ADDED QUESTION—INSURANCE.

Resolved, That the following question be inserted in Pastor's Report, immediately after the item, "Value of Church Property," *Is it Insured?*

2.—See page 21.

COLORED CHURCHES IN SOUTH CAROLINA.

Resolved, That it is the judgment of this Conference that, if the colored brethren in South Carolina are not prepared to act with unanimity in conformity to the suggestion of the General Conference, to exercise their election in the matter of organizing a Mission Conference, they had better continue for the present under the fostering care of the Maryland Annual Conference.

3.—See page 24.

THE OFFICIAL PAPERS AND POLITICS.

Resolved, That while we hope to see our official papers espouse heartily the cause of Temperance, we would deprecate the introduction of anything into their columns supporting any political party above another.

4.—See page 27.

NUMBER OF BAPTISMS.

Resolved, That the Secretary of the Conference be requested to print hereafter on the statistical reports the questions: "Number of adults baptized during the year?" "Number of infants baptized during the year?"

5.—See page 27.

SECULAR PAPERS AND THE SABBATH.

Resolved, That this Conference deeply regrets that, in this Christian country, editors and publishers of newspapers shock the moral sense of the religious community by the issue and sale of secular papers on the Christian Sabbath; and we urge all Christians to discountenance both the issue and sale of secular papers on the Christian Sabbath.

6.—See page 27.

COMMITTEE TO REVISE THE RULES OF ORDER.

Resolved, That a committee of three be appointed to revise the Rules of Order, and report their work to the next session of the Annual Conference. And that they append to the Rules the necessary steps for securing legal titles to any property built or acquired for the Methodist Protestant Church.

7.—See page 27.

WORLDLY AMUSEMENTS, &c.

WHEREAS, The Discipline of the Methodist Protestant Church, under the head of "Christian Duties," (pp. 49-50), expresses disapprobation of "those

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worldly amusements which do not tend to the glory of God, and which cannot be used in the name of the Lord Jesus;"

AND WHEREAS, "Card-playing, dancing, games of chance, and attending circuses and theatrical performances," are named as among the "worldly amusements" which are disapproved; therefore, be it

Resolved, That the renting of church-property for any of the purposes specified is disapproved by this Conference; and the sale of cards by any officer or member of this church is deprecated.

8.—See page 27.

THANKS.

Resolved, That the sincere thanks of this body be extended to the officers of the Conference for their fidelity to duty and labor of love; to the Y. M. C. A. of Lynchburg for the fraternity of their feelings and conduct and the liberty of their rooms; to the Railroad Companies for the facilities and favors of travel which they have so cheerfully provided, and to the Press for the fairness and fulness of the reports which they have published from day to day.

Resolved, That we, the ministers and laymen of this Conference, return sincere thanks to the pastor of this church, to its membership, and to the citizens of Lynchburg for the kindness of their entertainment and the hospitality of their homes.

9.—See page 28.

SEMI-CENTENNIAL SERMON.

WHEREAS, Rev. L. W. Bates, D. D., enters upon the fiftieth year of his ministry at this session,

Resolved, That he be requested to preach a semi-centennial sermon at our next session, if in the Providence of God his life and health be spared, for which we devoutly pray.

10.—See page 28.

ON LICENSING WOMEN TO PREACH.

The General Conference having sent down to the Annual Conferences this overture:

"WHEREAS, Some of the Annual Conferences have granted women license to preach the gospel,

Resolved, That the following overture is made to the Annual Conferences, viz.: That the Constitution be so changed as to grant the power to Annual Conferences to license women to preach the gospel;"

Resolved, That we do not concur in the proposed change.

11.—See page 28.

ON PRESENTING THE DISCIPLINE TO NEW MEMBERS.

Resolved, That the Secretary be instructed to have printed in the blank of the Pastor's Personal Report the following question, viz.:

Have you presented each new member received this year a copy of the Discipline, as ordered by the General Conference?

12.—See page 28.

QUINCY L. MORROW.

WHEREAS, Quincy L. Morrow, a member of Broadway Methodist Protestant Church, and licensed by that church to preach the gospel, has frequently and successfully engaged in evangelistic work within the borders of the Maryland District,

Resolved, That we hereby recognize and appreciate the value of his labors, and recommend him to those of our pastors who may desire to secure the services of an evangelist.

FINANCIAL AND STATISTICAL TABLES.

Assessments for the Year beginning April, 1889.

CHARGES.	Confer- ence.	Ministeri- al Educa- tion.	Seminary.	Superan- nuates.	Foreign Missions.	General Home Missions.	Md. Conf. Home Mission.	Presi- dent's Salary	Bible.	Tract.
Accomac.....	\$2.00	\$5.00	\$10.00	\$18.00	\$18.00	\$6.00	\$23.00	\$20.00	Col	Col
Alexandria....	4.00	4.00	15.00	38.00	38.00	13.00	23.00	25.00	Col	Col
Amelia.....	2.00	3.00	6.00	18.00	18.00	13.00	8.00	12.00	Col	Col
Anne Arundel.	8.00	8.00	25.00	56.00	56.00	19.00	27.00	35.00	Col	Col
Baltimore....	4.00	6.00	25.00	24.00	24.00	8.00	23.00	25.00	Col	Col
Barren Creek..	2.00	3.00	10.00	24.00	24.00	8.00	16.00	15.00	Col	Col
Bedford.....	7.00	10.00	30.00	38.00	38.00	13.00	38.00	40.00	Col	Col
Belair.....	4.00	8.00	20.00	30.00	30.00	10.00	23.00	25.00	Col	Col
Broadway.....	5.00	5.00	20.00	29.00	29.00	10.00	16.00	25.00	Col	Col
Cambridge....	3.00	5.00	12.00	18.00	18.00	6.00	20.00	20.00	Col	Col
Campbell.....	2.00	2.00	5.00	10.00	10.00	4.00	10.00	15.00	Col	Col
Caroline.....	5.00	8.00	25.00	30.00	30.00	10.00	30.00	35.00	Col	Col
Cecil.....	6.00	8.00	25.00	38.00	38.00	13.00	46.00	35.00	Col	Col
Central.....	5.00	10.00	30.00	38.00	38.00	13.00	40.00	35.00	Col	Col
Centreville...	3.00	5.00	20.00	28.00	28.00	9.00	38.00	25.00	Col	Col
Chesapeake...	4.00	8.00	15.00	29.00	29.00	10.00	27.00	25.00	Col	Col
Chestertown...	1.00	2.00	3.00	9.00	9.00	3.00	8.00	10.00	Col	Col
Chincoteague...	1.00	3.00	5.00	12.00	12.00	4.00	8.00	10.00	Col	Col
Clayton.....	3.00	5.00	15.00	35.00	35.00	12.00	20.00	20.00	Col	Col
Concord.....	3.00	6.00	20.00	29.00	29.00	10.00	23.00	30.00	Col	Col
Crisfield.....	3.00	6.00	20.00	20.00	20.00	7.00	16.00	25.00	Col	Col
Crumpton....	2.00	3.00	10.00	18.00	18.00	6.00	10.00	15.00	Col	Col
Cumberland...	2.00	3.00	10.00	15.00	15.00	5.00	20.00	15.00	Col	Col
Deer Creek....	3.00	5.00	12.00	20.00	20.00	7.00	20.00	20.00	Col	Col
Deer Park....	3.00	4.00	15.00	29.00	29.00	10.00	20.00	20.00	Col	Col
Delta.....	2.00	3.00	10.00	25.00	25.00	9.00	16.00	20.00	Col	Col
Dorchester....	3.00	6.00	20.00	47.00	47.00	16.00	28.00	25.00	Col	Col
East Baltimore	6.00	12.00	35.00	60.00	60.00	20.00	54.00	40.00	Col	Col
Easton.....	8.00	12.00	35.00	65.00	65.00	22.00	54.00	50.00	Col	Col
Eutaw.....	3.00	5.00	15.00	25.00	25.00	9.00	20.00	20.00	Col	Col
Fawn Grove..	4.00	6.00	15.00	30.00	30.00	10.00	20.00	30.00	Col	Col
Felton.....	3.00	4.00	10.00	19.00	19.00	6.00	10.00	15.00	Col	Col
Finksburg....	4.00	6.00	25.00	30.00	30.00	10.00	23.00	30.00	Col	Col
First Church..	4.00	6.00	15.00	30.00	30.00	10.00	23.00	20.00	Col	Col
Franklin City..	3.00	5.00	15.00	23.00	23.00	8.00	11.00	20.00	Col	Col
Frederick....	8.00	11.00	35.00	76.00	76.00	25.00	62.00	50.00	Col	Col
Georget'n, D C.	7.00	12.00	50.00	76.00	76.00	25.00	95.00	40.00	Col	Col
Georget'n, Del.	2.00	2.00	5.00	10.00	10.00	4.00	11.00	10.00	Col	Col
Grove.....	3.00	5.00	15.00	20.00	20.00	7.00	16.00	20.00	Col	Col
Hampden.....	5.00	6.00	25.00	39.00	39.00	13.00	39.00	35.00	Col	Col
Harper's Ferry	2.00	3.00	5.00	29.00	29.00	10.00	8.00	10.00	Col	Col
Harrington....	4.00	6.00	15.00	30.00	30.00	10.00	28.00	25.00	Col	Col
Heathsville...	2.00	2.00	5.00	29.00	29.00	10.00	16.00	20.00	Col	Col
Howard.....	3.00	5.00	15.00	30.00	30.00	10.00	28.00	20.00	Col	Col
Jefferson....	8.00	12.00	35.00	48.00	48.00	16.00	62.00	45.00	Col	Col
Kennedyville..	3.00	3.00	12.00	18.00	18.00	6.00	16.00	15.00	Col	Col
Kent Island...	3.00	3.00	15.00	30.00	30.00	10.00	28.00	25.00	Col	Col
Laurel.....	5.00	6.00	20.00	38.00	38.00	13.00	35.00	35.00	Col	Col
Leipsic.....	3.00	3.00	8.00	23.00	23.00	8.00	16.00	15.00	Col	Col
Liberty.....	6.00	10.00	25.00	38.00	38.00	13.00	30.00	40.00	Col	Col
Lisbon.....	5.00	6.00	20.00	38.00	38.00	13.00	28.00	30.00	Col	Col
Lynchburg....	8.00	10.00	40.00	45.00	45.00	15.00	39.00	50.00	Col	Col
Mariner's.....	2.00	4.00	8.00	20.00	20.00	7.00	16.00	10.00	ol	Col

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Assessments for the Year beginning April, 1889.

CHARGES.	Confer- ence.	Ministeri- al Educa- tion.	Seminary.	Superan- nuates.	Foreign Missions.	General Home Missions.	Md. Conf. Home Mission.	Presi- dent's Salary.	Bible.	Tract.
Middleway...	\$2.00	\$3.00	\$10.00	\$18.00	\$18.00	\$6.00	\$16.00	\$15.00	Col	Col
Milton.....	3.00	6.00	15.00	30.00	30.00	10.00	28.00	25.00	Col	Col
Mt. Tabor....	5.00	6.00	10.00	38.00	38.00	16.00	11.00	30.00	Col	Col
Newark.....	7.00	10.00	40.00	65.00	65.00	22.00	45.00	40.00	Col	Col
N. C. Avenue..	3.00	6.00	10.00	30.00	30.00	10.00	10.00	25.00	Col	Col
Oxford.....	3.00	8.00	15.00	20.00	20.00	7.00	16.00	20.00	Col	Col
Pipe Creek....	4.00	5.00	20.00	30.00	30.00	10.00	23.00	25.00	Col	Col
Pittsville....	3.00	4.00	20.00	20.00	20.00	7.00	20.00	20.00	Col	Col
Pocomoke....	3.00	5.00	15.00	20.00	20.00	7.00	16.00	35.00	Col	Col
Pocomoke City	6.00	10.00	35.00	50.00	50.00	16.00	54.00	54.00	Col	Col
Potomac.....	2.00	3.00	10.00	12.00	12.00	4.00	11.00	10.00	Col	Col
Powellsville..	3.00	5.00	15.00	25.00	25.00	8.00	16.00	20.00	Col	Col
Quantico.....	4.00	5.00	20.00	29.00	29.00	10.00	16.00	20.00	Col	Col
Queen Anne's.	4.00	6.00	20.00	38.00	38.00	13.00	23.00	25.00	Col	Col
Reliance.....	2.00	3.00	10.00	19.00	19.00	6.00	16.00	15.00	Col	Col
Rowlandville..	3.00	4.00	12.00	30.00	30.00	10.00	16.00	20.00	Col	Col
St. James.....	5.00	10.00	30.00	75.00	75.00	25.00	40.00	40.00	Col	Col
St. Luke's....	4.00	6.00	20.00	38.00	38.00	13.00	30.00	30.00	Col	Col
St. Michael's..	3.00	5.00	15.00	20.00	20.00	7.00	11.00	20.00	Col	Col
Salisbury.....	3.00	4.00	15.00	22.00	22.00	7.00	11.00	20.00	Col	Col
Seaford.....	3.00	5.00	10.00	19.00	19.00	6.00	16.00	15.00	Col	Col
Snow Hill....	3.00	5.00	15.00	35.00	35.00	12.00	28.00	20.00	Col	Col
Somerset.....	4.00	8.00	30.00	40.00	40.00	13.00	30.00	30.00	Col	Col
South Balto...	3.00	6.00	20.00	30.00	30.00	10.00	25.00	20.00	Col	Col
Starr.....	7.00	12.00	40.00	95.00	95.00	32.00	115.00	40.00	Col	Col
Stewartstown..	5.00	8.00	20.00	38.00	38.00	13.00	30.00	30.00	Col	Col
Surry.....	3.00	3.00	10.00	29.00	29.00	10.00	23.00	20.00	Col	Col
Susquehanna..	4.00	8.00	20.00	30.00	30.00	10.00	30.00	25.00	Col	Col
Sussex.....	3.00	4.00	12.00	19.00	19.00	6.00	11.00	15.00	Col	Col
Talbot.....	1.00	2.00	5.00	20.00	20.00	6.00	20.00	10.00	Col	Col
Union.....	4.00	5.00	10.00	30.00	30.00	10.00	23.00	20.00	Col	Col
Urion Bridge..	4.00	5.00	12.00	30.00	30.00	10.00	20.00	40.00	Col	Col
Warwick.....	6.00	6.00	23.00	57.00	57.00	19.00	30.00	30.00	Col	Col
Washing'tn-St	6.00	7.00	18.00	57.00	57.00	19.00	30.00	30.00	Col	Col
West Balto...	8.00	18.00	50.00	100.00	100.00	33.00	80.00	55.00	Col	Col
Westminster..	8.00	14.00	50.00	76.00	76.00	25.00	70.00	50.00	Col	Col
Williamsport..	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Wilmington...	3.00	4.00	8.00	19.00	19.00	6.00	11.00	10.00	Col	Col
Waverly.....	2.00	3.00	5.00	12.00	12.00	4.00	5.00	5.00	Col	Col
Berkley.....	1.00	5.00	5.00	2.00	2.00	5.00	Col	Col
Charleston....	1.00	5.00	5.00	2.00	2.00	5.00	Col	Col

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125
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185

NOTE.—CONFERENCE COLLECTION is for the incidental expense of the Annual Conference, including the publication of the Minutes. SEMINARY COLLECTION is for the salary of the President of Westminster Theological Seminary, and should be sent to Rev. J. T. Ward, D. D., Westminster, Md. MINISTERIAL EDUCATION is to assist needy young men in securing an education to prepare for the ministry in the M. P. Church, and should be sent to Mr. Jno. H. Clancy, 98 Fourth Avenue, Pittsburgh, Pa. SUPERANNUATED FUND is for the worn-out preachers of the M. P. Church, in the Maryland District, their widows and orphans, and should be sent to Rev. J. M. Sheridan, Buckeystown, Md. FOREIGN MISSION COLLECTIONS should be sent to Rev. Benjamin Stout, Md. GENERAL HOME MISSION COLLECTIONS of the Maryland Conference should be sent to W. Rockford, W. Va. HOME MISSIONS OF THE MARYLAND CONFERENCE should be sent to H. Silk, Cor. Saratoga and Howard Sts., Baltimore, Md. PRESIDENT'S SALARY should be paid to the President at the time of his visit, or previously sent to 42 Parkin Street, Baltimore, Md. Pastors will always secure receipts from agents for money paid during the year.

Collections for Local Interests and Totals for all

No.	CHARGES.	PREST'S SALARY.		PASTOR'S SALARY.		Rental Value of Parsonages.
		Assess.	Paid.	Assess.	Paid.	
1	Accomac.....	15.00	15.00	450	450.00	60.00
2	Alexandria.....	25.00	25.00	600	600.00	150.00
3	Amelia.....	12.00	12.00	325	325.00	.....
4	Anne Arundel.....	35.00	35.00	1,050	900.00	150.00
5	Baltimore.....	25.00	25.00	600	600.00	150.00
6	Barren Creek.....	15.00	15.00	350	180.70	25.00
7	Bedford.....	45.00	45.00	500	500.00	60.00
8	Belair.....	25.00	25.00	700	700.00	240.00
9	Broadway.....	25.00	25.00	700	700.00	240.00
10	Cambridge.....	20.00	20.00	400	438.72	78.00
11	Campbell.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
12	Caroline.....	35.00	31.00	600	573.24	80.00
13	Cecil.....	35.00	35.00	700	700.00	100.00
14	Central.....	35.00	35.00	1,000	1,000.00	360.00
15	Chesapeake.....	25.00	25.00	500	500.00	100.00
16	Chesterfield.....	10.00	10.00	150	150.00	.....
17	Centreville.....	35.00	35.00	700	700.00	150.00
18	Chestertown.....	40.00	40.00	1,000	1,000.00	150.00
19	Chincoteague.....	10.00	10.00	250	250.00	.....
20	Clayton.....	20.00	12.00	450	450.00	125.00
21	Concord.....	30.00	30.00	500	300.00	40.00
22	Crisfield.....	20.00	21.25	550	550.00	125.00
23	Crumpton.....	15.00	15.00	300	300.00	80.00
24	Cumberland.....	15.00	15.00	360	361.20	120.00
25	Deer Creek.....	20.00	20.00	350	280.99	.....
26	Deer Park.....	20.00	17.00	400	300.00	.....
27	Dorchester.....	25.00	25.00	640	615.00	75.00
28	E. Baltimore.....	40.00	40.00	1,440	1,440.00	240.00
29	Easton.....	50.00	50.00	800	800.00	200.00
30	Eutaw.....	20.00	20.00	600	640.00	240.00
31	Fawn Grove.....	25.00	25.00	625	513.01	75.00
32	Delta.....	20.00	20.00	500	505.00	.....
33	Felton.....	15.00	15.00	400	400.00	80.00
34	Finksburg.....	30.00	30.00	600	600.00	75.00
35	First Church.....	20.00	20.00	700	700.00	240.00
36	Franklin City.....	20.00	20.00	500	450.00	.....
37	Frederick.....	50.00	48.00	700	646.32	75.00
38	Georgetown.....	40.00	40.00	1,100	1,100.00	600.00
39	Georgetown, Del.....	10.00	10.00	.....	.....	.....
40	Grove.....	15.00	15.00	340	340.00	60.00
41	Hampden.....	35.00	35.00	700	700.00	120.00
42	Harper's Ferry.....	10.00	10.00	350	350.00	.....
43	Harrington.....	25.00	25.00	600	600.00	150.00
44	Howard.....	20.00	20.00	480	451.68	100.00
45	Heathsville.....	25.00	20.00	.....	60.00	.....
46	Jefferson.....	40.00	40.00	724	724.00	125.00
47	Kennedyville.....	15.00	15.00	200	200.00	.....
48	Kent Island.....	25.00	25.00	500	500.00	150.00
49	Laurel.....	35.00	35.00	650	650.00	125.00

Purposes for the Year Ending April, 1889.

No.	TOTAL.		Current Expenses.	Building and Improve-ments.	Paid on Debt.	Total Paid for Local Interests.	Total Paid for General Interests.	Total Paid for all Pur-poses.
	Assess.	Paid.						
1	525.00	525.00	85.00	1,000.00	150.00	1,760.00	78.50	1,838.50
2	775.00	775.00	262.01	218.07	.....	1,255.08	189.96	1,445.04
3	337.00	337.00	.....	.....	.....	337.00	51.04	388.04
4	1,235.00	1,085.00	200.00	400.00	.....	1,685.00	68.00	1,753.00
5	775.00	775.00	123.00	164.00	34.50	1,096.50	36.00	1,132.50
6	490.00	210.70	34.00	200.20	200.20	655.10	36.41	691.51
7	605.00	605.00	160.00	60.00	70.00	895.00	91.00	986.00
8	965.00	965.00	175.00	.....	140.00	1,280.00	117.00	1,397.00
9	965.00	965.00	375.00	500.00	.....	1,840.00	151.76	1,991.76
10	498.00	636.72	75.00	254.00	40.00	905.72	35.00	940.72
11	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
12	715.00	684.24	175.00	470.00	.....	1,339.24	81.48	1,420.72
13	835.00	835.00	288.00	1,708.00	.....	2,831.00	133.53	2,964.53
14	1,395.00	1,395.00	471.06	52.62	500.00	2,418.68	405.50	2,824.18
15	625.00	625.00	95.79	72.00	.....	792.79	156.20	948.99
16	160.00	160.00	.....	.....	.....	160.00	34.20	194.20
17	885.00	885.00	150.00	.....	.....	1,035.00	70.64	1,105.64
18	1,190.00	1,190.00	588.25	12,164.55	.....	13,942.80	224.85	14,167.65
19	260.00	260.00	75.00	182.18	.....	517.18	40.50	557.68
20	595.00	595.00	100.00	420.00	.....	707.00	40.75	747.75
21	570.00	370.00	120.00	110.00	.....	600.00	36.00	636.00
22	695.00	696.25	279.29	300.00	.....	1,275.54	141.14	1,416.68
23	395.00	395.00	69.00	112.00	.....	576.00	35.00	611.00
24	495.00	496.00	157.33	65.00	.....	718.53	72.50	791.03
25	370.00	300.99	117.00	30.00	.....	447.99	36.40	484.39
26	420.00	317.00	50.00	300.00	.....	667.00	39.65	706.65
27	740.00	615.00	150.00	93.00	52.00	1,010.00	65.00	1,075.00
28	1,720.00	1,720.00	733.00	2,150.00	90.00	4,693.00	378.78	5,071.78
29	1,050.00	1,050.00	1,000.00	150.00	.....	2,200.00	374.25	2,574.25
30	860.00	900.00	150.00	50.00	670.00	1,770.00	116.00	1,886.00
31	725.00	613.01	192.00	160.00	357.00	1,320.21	109.02	1,429.23
32	520.00	525.00	197.32	672.44	.....	1,394.76	116.82	1,511.58
33	495.00	495.00	50.00	79.00	.....	624.00	43.00	667.00
34	705.00	705.00	.....	341.00	95.00	1,141.00	65.97	1,206.97
35	960.00	960.00	300.00	150.00	60.00	1,470.00	119.92	1,589.92
36	520.00	470.00	150.00	100.00	355.00	1,075.00	42.50	1,117.50
37	825.00	769.32	97.84	333.60	.....	1,200.76	82.21	1,282.97
38	1,740.00	1,740.00	885.00	250.00	.....	2,875.00	331.99	3,206.99
39	10.00	10.00	5.00	900.00	.....	915.00	6.00	921.00
40	415.00	415.00	50.00	1,575.00	.....	1,980.00	35.95	2,015.95
41	855.00	855.00	260.00	1,484.00	.....	2,599.50	132.56	2,732.06
42	360.00	360.00	102.00	187.74	37.00	686.74	57.00	743.74
43	775.00	775.00	125.00	50.00	.....	950.00	116.00	1,066.00
44	600.00	571.68	67.00	2,000.00	.....	2,638.68	96.00	2,734.68
45	25.00	80.00	.....	.....	.....	80.00	28.00	108.00
46	889.00	889.00	400.00	1,416.00	.....	2,705.00	345.24	3,050.24
47	215.00	215.00	60.00	176.97	.....	446.97	38.01	484.98
48	675.00	675.00	64.00	90.00	.....	829.00	98.00	927.00
49	810.00	810.00	130.00	30.00	.....	970.00	105.75	1,075.75

Collections for Local Interests and Totals for all

No.	CHARGES.	PREST'S SALARY.		PASTOR'S SALARY.		Rental Value of Parsonages.
		Assess.	Paid.	Assess.	Paid.	
50	Leipsic.....	15.00	15.00	350	350.00	
51	Liberty.....	40.00	40.00	500	500.00	75.00
52	Lisbon.....	30.00	30.00	650	650.00	75.00
53	Lynchburg.....	50.00	50.00	800	800.00	
54	Middleway.....	15.00			170.00	
55	Milton.....	20.00	20.00	530	530.00	60.00
56	Mt. Tabor.....	30.00	30.00	400	400.00	
57	Newark.....	40.00	40.00	1,000	1,000.00	480.00
58	N. C. Avenue.....	20.00	20.00	800	800.00	300.00
59	Oxford.....	15.00	15.00	500	500.00	15.00
60	Pipe Creek.....	25.00	25.00	500	500.00	250.00
61	Pittsville.....	25.00	23.00	475	466.00	75.00
62	Pocomoke.....	20.00	20.00	500	500.00	100.00
63	Pocomoke City.....	40.00	40.00	800	800.00	125.00
64	Potomac.....	10.00	10.00	300	300.00	75.00
65	Powellsville.....	20.00	20.00	350	317.00	35.00
66	Quantico.....	20.00	20.00	500	500.00	75.00
67	Queen Anne.....	25.00	25.00	500	506.50	75.00
68	Reliance.....	15.00	15.00	500	500.00	75.00
69	Rowlandville.....	15.00	15.00	450	450.00	96.00
70	St. James.....	40.00	40.00	650	650.00	100.00
71	St. Luke's.....	25.00	25.00	900	900.00	240.00
72	St. Michael's.....	20.00	20.00	400	400.00	100.00
73	Salisbury.....	20.00	20.00	425	425.00	160.00
74	Seaford.....	15.00	15.00	400	400.00	100.00
75	Snow Hill.....	20.00	20.00	550	567.46	85.00
76	Somerset.....	30.00	30.00	725	725.00	75.00
77	South Baltimore.....	20.00	20.00	800	800.00	240.00
78	Starr.....	40.00	40.00	1,200	1,200.00	240.00
79	Stewartstown.....	30.00	30.00	680	710.00	100.00
80	Surry.....	20.00	19.00	500	475.00	60.00
81	Susquehanna.....	30.00	30.00	700	700.00	100.00
82	Sussex.....	15.00	15.00	400	354.79	25.00
83	Talbot.....	15.00	15.00	200	170.00	
84	Union.....	20.00	20.00	500	483.50	50.00
85	Union Bridge.....	20.00	20.00	500	500.00	
86	Warwick.....	40.00	40.00	500	600.00	50.00
87	Washington-Street.....	30.00	30.00	900	900.00	240.00
88	West Baltimore.....	50.00	50.00	1,500	1,500.00	
89	Westminster.....	50.00	50.00	900	900.00	200.00
90	Williamsport.....					
91	Wilmington.....	10.00	10.00	125	125.00	
92	Waverly.....					
93	Berkley.....	5.00	10.00		167.74	
94	Charleston.....	5.00	10.00			
95	Indian River.....					
Total.....		2,277.00	2,249.25	39,494	39,988.05	9,464.00

Purposes for the Year Ending April, 1889.

No.	TOTAL.		Current Expenses.	Building and Improve-ments.	Paid on Debt.	Total Paid for Local Interests.	Total Paid for General Interests.	Total Paid for all Pur-poses.	
	Assess.	Paid.							
50	365.00	365.00	50.00			415.00	25.50	440.50	
51	615.00	615.00	140.00	80.00		835.00	128.60	963.60	
52	755.00	755.00	120.00	141.00	500.00	1,516.00	90.48	1,606.48	
53	850.00	850.00	430.00	200.00		1,480.00	313.00	1,793.00	
54	15.00	170.00				170.00	6.50	176.50	
55	610.00	610.00	200.00	190.00		1,000.00	80.86	1,080.86	
56	430.00	430.00	325.00		300.00	1,055.00	94.66	1,149.66	
57	1,520.00	1,520.00	1,100.00	798.00	100.00	3,518.00	247.30	3,765.30	
58	1,120.00	1,120.00	120.00	732.45		1,972.45	63.00	2,035.45	
59	530.00	530.00	175.96	75.00		780.96	117.00	897.96	
60	725.00	725.00	75.00		100.00	950.00	115.60	1,065.60	
61	575.00	564.00	40.00	15.00		619.00	68.50	687.50	
62	620.00	620.00	25.00	210.00		848.00	26.00	874.00	
63	965.00	965.00	305.00	1,100.00		2,370.00	214.80	2,584.80	
64	385.00	385.00	75.00			460.00	47.00	507.00	
65	405.00	372.00	40.00	125.00		537.00	55.14	592.14	
66	595.00	595.00	100.00	110.00		805.00	73.00	878.00	
67	600.00	606.00	100.00	50.00		756.50	121.00	877.50	
68	590.00	590.00	61.00	850.00		1,501.00	56.00	1,557.00	
69	561.00	561.00	130.00	90.00	25.00	806.00	32.00	838.00	
70	790.00	790.00	150.00	150.00		1,090.00	221.81	1,311.81	
71	1,165.00	1,165.00	710.00	550.00		2,435.00	147.35	2,582.35	
72	520.00	520.00	110.00	1,600.00		2,265.00	35.00	2,300.00	
73	605.00	605.00	163.82	235.00		1,003.82	122.00	1,125.82	
74	515.00	515.00	96.19	70.00		681.19	123.21	804.40	
75	655.00	672.00	200.00	1,800.00		2,672.46	108.72	2,781.18	
76	830.00	830.00	428.89	650.00		1,908.89	170.53	2,079.42	
77	1,060.00	1,060.00	325.00	100.00		1,485.00	96.00	1,581.00	
78	1,480.00	1,480.00	705.00	100.00		2,285.00	319.25	2,604.25	
79	810.00	840.00	250.00	2,550.00	250.00	3,890.00	69.50	3,959.50	
80	580.00	554.00	167.83			721.83	45.70	767.53	
81	830.00	830.00	100.00	46.61		976.61	202.00	1,178.61	
82	440.00	394.79	30.00		107.74	532.53	43.26	575.79	
83	215.00	185.00				185.00	59.65	244.65	
84	570.00	553.50	72.07	142.00	127.00	894.57	114.86	1,009.43	
85	520.00	520.00	181.70	800.00	500.00	2,145.70	94.06	2,239.76	
86	590.00	690.00	150.00	271.00		1,111.00	132.50	1,243.50	
87	1,170.00	1,170.00	550.00	8,000.00		9,720.00	141.00	9,861.00	
88	1,550.00	1,550.00	1,420.00			2,970.00	646.42	3,616.42	
89	1,150.00	1,150.00		900.00		2,100.00	399.78	2,499.78	
90									
91	135.00	135.00	700.00	50.00	250.00	1,135.00	63.00	1,198.00	
92									
93	5.00	177.74	35.00		200.00	402.74	13.00	415.74	
94	5.00					10.00	19.00	29.00	
95			75.00			75.00	8.55	83.55	
		51,335.00	61,606.90	18,223.35	53,832.43	5,690.44	141,150.80	11,110.57	152,261.37

Collections for General Interests

No.	CHARGES.	General Conference	Bible.	Tract.	CONFERENCE.		MIN. EDU'N		SEMINARY.	
					Assess.	Paid.	Assess.	Paid.	Assess.	Paid.
1	Accomac.....				2.00	2.00	3.00	3.00	10.00	10.00
2	Alexandria.....		.50	.50	4.00	4.00	4.00	4.00	15.00	15.00
3	Amelia.....				2.00	2.00	3.00	3.00	6.00	6.00
4	Anne Arundel.....		1.00	1.00	8.00	2.00	8.00	4.00	25.00	12.00
5	Baltimore.....				4.00	1.00	6.00	4.00	25.00	7.00
6	Barren Creek.....		.50	.50	2.00	1.00	3.00	2.65	10.00	9.00
7	Bedford.....		1.00	1.00	7.00	4.00	10.00	5.00	30.00	8.00
8	Belair.....		3.00	2.00	4.00	4.00	8.00	8.00	25.00	25.00
9	Broadway.....		5.00	2.00	5.00	5.00	5.00	5.00	20.00	20.00
10	Cambridge.....		1.00		3.00	1.00	5.00	1.00	12.00	1.00
11	Campbell.....				2.00		2.00		5.00	
12	Caroline.....		1.70	1.00	5.00	1.50	8.00	5.00	25.00	9.52
13	Cecil.....		1.00	1.00	6.00	2.00	8.00	8.00	25.00	16.53
14	Central.....		5.00	4.71	5.00	4.00	10.00	10.00	30.00	30.00
15	Chesapeake.....		2.00	2.00	4.00	4.00	6.00	6.00	15.00	15.00
16	Chesterfield.....				1.00	1.00	2.00	2.00	3.00	3.00
17	Centreville.....		1.50	1.00	5.00	2.00	8.00	3.00	25.00	10.00
18	Chestertown.....		1.64	1.00	7.00	7.00	10.00	10.00	35.00	35.00
19	Chincoteague.....		.50	.50	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	2.00	2.00
20	Clayton.....		.50	.25	2.00	1.00	4.00	4.00	15.00	8.00
21	Concord.....		1.00	1.00	4.00	2.00	6.00	2.00	20.00	5.00
22	Crisfield.....		1.83	1.00	2.00	2.00	6.00	6.00	20.00	20.00
23	Crumpton.....		.50	.25	2.00	1.25	3.00	2.00	10.00	5.00
24	Cumberland.....		1.00	.50	3.00	3.00	5.00	5.00	10.00	10.00
25	Deer Creek.....		.50	.40	2.00	1.50	5.00	3.00	12.00	5.00
26	Deer Park.....		1.00	1.00	3.00	2.00	4.00	2.00	15.00	5.25
27	Dorchester.....				3.00	1.00	6.00	2.00	20.00	5.00
28	East Baltimore.....		4.73	3.00	6.00	5.00	10.00	10.00	35.00	35.00
29	Easton.....		1.00	1.00	8.00	5.00	10.00	10.00	35.00	35.00
30	Eutaw.....		1.00	1.00	3.00	3.00	5.00	5.00	15.00	15.00
31	Fawn Grove.....		.50	.25	3.00	3.00	3.00	3.00	10.00	10.00
32	Delta.....				2.00	2.00	2.00	2.00	10.00	10.00
33	Felton.....		1.00	1.00	3.00	2.00	4.00	4.00	15.00	5.00
34	Finksburg.....		1.93	2.39	4.00	3.97	6.00	4.00	25.00	16.00
35	First Church.....		2.00	2.00	4.00	4.00	6.00	4.80	15.00	15.00
36	Franklin City.....		1.00	.50	3.00	3.00	5.00	3.00	15.00	7.00
37	Frederick.....		.50	.50	8.00	2.00	11.00	3.00	35.00	6.00
38	Georgetown.....		5.00	3.00	7.00	7.00	10.00	10.00	50.00	29.00
39	Georget'wn, Del.....				1.00	1.00	2.00	1.00	5.00	1.00
40	Grove.....		1.00	.50	2.00	2.00	3.00	2.00	15.00	10.00
41	Hampden.....		1.00	1.00	5.00	5.00	6.00	6.00	25.00	15.50
42	Harper's Ferry.....		.60	.40	2.00	2.00	3.00	3.00	5.00	5.00
43	Harrington.....		5.00	5.00	4.00	4.00	6.00	6.00	15.00	15.00
44	Howard.....		1.00	1.00	3.00	4.00	4.00	4.00	15.00	15.00
45	Heathsville.....				5.00	2.50	3.00	1.50	8.00	4.00
46	Jefferson.....		5.00	5.00	8.00	8.00	10.00	10.00	35.00	28.00
47	Kennedyville.....		1.00	1.00	3.00	2.00	3.00	2.00	12.00	5.00
48	Kent Island.....				3.00	3.00	5.00	5.00	15.00	15.00
49	Laurel.....		6.00	1.00	5.00	3.00	6.00	5.00	20.00	13.00
50	Leipsic.....		.50	.50	3.00	1.50	3.00	1.00	8.00	5.00
51	Liberty.....		1.10	1.25	6.00	3.50	10.00	4.00	25.00	16.00
52	Lisbon.....		1.50	1.25	5.00	2.50	6.00	3.00	20.00	15.00

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No.	SUPERANNUATES H. & F. MISSIONS		HOME MISSIONS		W. F. M. S.	Church Extension	TOTAL.	
	Assess.	Paid.	Assess.	Paid.			Assess.	Paid.
1	10.00	10.00	20.00	23.50	30.00	30.00	78.50	78.50
2	20.00	20.00	20.00	87.00	30.00	30.00	94.00	189.96
3	10.00	8.00	10.00	24.04	10.00	6.00	43.00	51.04
4	30.00	16.00	30.00	11.00	35.00	15.00	138.00	68.00
5	12.00	6.00	25.00	7.00	30.00	10.00	103.00	36.00
6	12.00	12.01	15.00	5.75	20.00	5.00	62.98	36.41
7	20.00	12.00	30.00	45.00	50.00	15.00	91.00	91.00
8	15.00	15.00	25.00	25.00	30.00	30.00	112.00	117.00
9	15.00	22.00	20.00	31.75	20.00	20.00	139.00	151.76
10	10.00	4.00	20.00	1.00	25.00	25.00	75.00	35.00
11	5.00		8.00		12.00		34.00	
12	15.00	9.25	40.00	38.43	40.00	13.75	135.70	81.48
13	20.00	20.00	35.00	60.00	60.00	50.00	156.00	133.53
14	20.00	20.00	35.00	222.99	50.00	50.00	159.71	405.50
15	15.00	15.00	30.00	77.20	35.00	35.00	109.00	156.20
16	5.00	5.00	5.00	12.20	10.00	10.00	26.00	34.20
17	20.00	10.00	35.00	23.14	50.00	20.00	145.50	70.64
18	40.00	40.00	60.00	60.21	60.00	60.00	214.64	224.85
19	5.00	5.00	2.00	18.50	10.00	10.00	22.00	40.50
20	15.00	7.00	20.00	10.00	25.00	10.00	81.00	40.75
21	15.00	5.00	30.00	10.00	30.00	10.00	105.00	36.00
22	10.00	10.00	20.00	79.31	20.00	20.00	81.83	141.14
23	10.00	10.00	15.00	5.00	15.00	10.00	55.75	35.00
24	10.00	10.00	10.00	18.00	25.00	25.00	74.50	72.50
25	10.00	5.00	15.00	15.00	25.00	6.00	69.90	36.40
26	15.00	6.00	20.00	14.40	25.00	7.00	64.00	39.65
27	25.00	5.00	30.00	40.00	35.00	10.00	119.00	65.00
28	35.00	35.00	50.00	120.00	70.00	60.00	213.73	378.78
29	35.00	30.00	50.00	180.00	70.00	60.00	262.25	374.25
30	15.00	15.00	25.00	49.00	25.00	25.00	90.00	116.00
31	15.00	10.00	20.00	62.27	25.00	20.00	76.00	109.02
32	15.00	15.00	15.00	67.82	20.00	20.00	56.50	116.82
33	10.00	7.00	20.00	6.00	15.00	15.00	71.00	43.00
34	15.00	9.75	30.00	15.28	30.00	12.65	114.32	65.97
35	15.00	14.00	30.00	43.62	30.00	26.00	104.00	119.92
36	12.00	6.00	15.00	15.00	15.00	7.00	66.00	42.50
37	40.00	8.00	60.00	45.60	80.00	12.23	235.00	82.21
38	40.00	40.00	80.00	188.23	125.00	25.00	312.00	331.99
39	5.00	1.00	10.00	1.00	10.00	1.00	33.00	6.00
40	10.00	5.00	20.00	8.00	20.00	5.15	71.00	35.95
41	20.00	11.25	30.00	22.81	50.00	50.00	136.00	132.56
42	15.00	15.00	10.00	20.00	10.00	10.00	45.00	57.00
43	16.00	16.00	30.00	30.00	35.00	35.00	106.00	116.00
44	15.00	15.00	20.00	20.00	35.00	35.00	92.00	96.00
45	15.00	7.50	15.00	7.50	20.00	5.00	66.00	28.00
46	25.00	25.00	45.00	148.59	80.00	80.00	213.00	345.24
47	10.00	5.00	20.00	10.00	20.00	10.51	71.00	38.01
48	15.00	15.00	25.00	35.00	35.00	25.00	98.00	98.00
49	20.00	15.00	30.00	37.75	45.00	25.00	126.00	105.75
50	12.00	5.00	30.00	8.00	20.00	4.00	77.00	25.50
51	20.00	20.00	15.00	40.00	40.00	25.00	103.35	128.60
52	20.00	15.00	30.00	31.00	35.00	20.00	119.98	90.48

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Collections for General Interests

No.	CHARGES.	General Conferen'e	Bible.	Tract.	CONFERENCE.		MIN. EDUCA'N		SEMINARY.	
					Assess.	Paid.	Assess.	Paid.	Assess.	Paid.
					%	%	%	%	%	%
53	Lynchburg			5.00	8.00	8.00	10.00	10.00	40.00	40.00
54	Middleway				2.00	.50	3.00	.....	10.00	.....
55	Milton		6.00	1.21	3.00	.75	5.00	1.25	15.00	5.00
56	Mt. Tabor		1.00	1.00	5.00	5.00	6.00	6.00	10.00	10.00
57	Newark	12.00	3.00	2.00	7.00	7.00	10.00	10.00	45.00	28.85
58	N. C. Avenue		1.00	.....	3.00	3.00	4.00	4.00	10.00	10.00
59	Oxford		2.00	1.00	3.00	3.00	4.00	4.00	15.00	15.00
60	Pipe Creek		2.71	1.00	5.00	2.85	5.00	5.00	20.00	7.00
61	Pittsville		1.00	.50	3.00	2.00	4.00	3.00	20.00	17.00
62	Pocomoke		.50	.50	3.00	1.00	5.00	1.00	20.00	3.00
63	Pocomoke City		3.50	3.50	8.00	4.00	10.00	10.00	40.00	.....
64	Potomac		1.00	.....	2.00	2.00	2.00	2.00	10.00	10.00
65	Powellsville		.50	.50	3.00	2.00	4.00	2.00	15.00	10.00
66	Quantico		2.00	.50	4.00	1.50	5.00	5.00	20.00	10.00
67	Queen Anne's		1.00	1.00	4.00	4.00	6.00	6.00	20.00	21.00
68	Reliance		1.00	.....	2.00	2.00	3.00	3.00	10.00	10.00
69	Rowlandville		1.00	1.00	3.00	1.00	3.00	2.00	12.00	5.00
70	St. James		2.50	.25	6.00	5.00	10.00	7.00	30.00	25.00
71	St. Luke's		1.00	1.00	4.00	4.00	6.00	6.00	20.00	14.00
72	St. Michael's		5.00	1.00	3.00	1.00	4.00	2.00	15.00	2.00
73	Salisbury		1.00	1.00	3.00	3.00	4.00	4.00	15.00	15.00
74	Seaford		3.00	1.40	2.00	2.00	4.00	4.00	10.00	10.00
75	Snow Hill		1.00	1.00	2.00	1.00	3.00	3.00	15.00	10.00
76	Somerset		5.00	5.00	4.00	4.50	9.00	9.00	30.00	21.53
77	S. Baltimore		1.00	1.00	3.00	3.00	6.00	6.00	20.00	20.00
78	Starr		3.00	1.00	7.00	4.00	10.00	4.00	40.00	18.00
79	Stewartstown		1.00	1.00	5.00	2.00	6.00	4.00	20.00	5.00
80	Surry		.45	.25	3.00	1.00	3.00	2.00	10.00	7.50
81	Susquehanna		2.00	2.00	4.00	4.00	5.00	8.00	25.00	25.00
82	Sussex		.75	.51	3.00	2.00	4.00	3.00	12.00	8.00
83	Talbot		1.00	1.00	3.00	2.00	4.00	2.00	10.00	5.00
84	Union Bridge		1.50	1.56	4.00	4.00	5.00	5.00	12.00	10.00
85	Union		1.00	1.00	4.00	3.61	3.00	3.00	10.00	10.00
86	Warwick		1.50	1.00	6.00	5.00	5.00	5.00	23.00	20.00
87	Washington St.		5.00	5.00	6.00	6.00	7.00	7.00	18.00	18.00
88	W. Baltimore		33.06	22.07	8.00	8.00	15.00	15.00	50.00	50.00
89	Westminster		13.50	4.50	8.00	8.00	12.00	12.00	50.00	34.55
90	Williamsport		.....	.....	.....	.....	3.00	3.00	7.00	7.00
91	Wilmington	3.00	1.00	1.00	2.00	2.00	3.00	3.00	5.00	.....
92	Waverly		.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
	Berkley		1.00	1.00	1.00	3.00	.....	.....	.....	.....
	Charleston		2.00	.....	1.00	3.00	.....	2.00	.....	.....
	St. John's Ind.		32.00	12.00	.....	2.50	.....	.....	.....	15.00
	Indian Mission		.75	.30	.....	1.00	.....	.75	.....	1.25
Total		15.00	221.25	140.70	364.00	280.43	514.00	413.95	1,727.00	1,219.00

NOTE.—For Foreign Missions, \$5.00 paid by Rev. R. T. Smith, not included in above report. For Foreign Missions \$15.00, included in report from Susquehanna, paid by the Misses Stephenson. For Foreign Missions \$1.00, included in report from Susquehanna, paid by Miss Edith Smith. For Foreign Missions, \$20.57, included in report from Westminster, paid by the

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No.	SUPERANNUATES		H. & F. MISSIONS		HOME MISSIONS		W. F. M. S.	Church Extension	TOTAL.		
	Assess.	Paid.	Assess.	Paid.	Assess.	Paid.			Assess.	Paid.	
	%	%	%	%	%	%			%	%	
53	25.00	25.00	40.00	135.00	50.00	50.00	40.00	.....	313.00	313.00
54	10.00	.....	10.00	3.00	20.00	3.00	.....	.....	55.00	6.50
55	15.00	8.00	30.00	43.65	35.00	15.00	.....	.....	110.21	80.86
56	20.00	20.00	30.00	36.66	15.00	15.00	.....	.....	88.00	94.66
57	35.00	35.00	50.00	50.00	60.00	60.00	29.45	10.00	241.45	247.30	
58	15.00	15.00	10.00	10.00	10.00	10.00	10.00	.....	53.00	63.00
59	10.00	10.00	20.00	60.00	20.00	20.00	.....	2.00	75.00	117.00
60	15.00	5.02	30.00	36.38	30.00	17.64	38.00	.....	146.71	115.60
61	12.00	12.00	20.00	15.00	25.00	18.00	.....	.....	85.50	68.50
62	15.00	8.00	25.00	8.00	20.00	3.00	.....	1.00	90.00	26.00
63	20.00	20.00	40.00	98.80	70.00	70.00	.....	5.00	253.80	214.80
64	6.00	6.00	10.00	10.00	15.00	15.00	.....	1.00	47.00	47.00
65	15.00	6.00	20.00	22.14	20.00	12.00	.....	.....	78.00	55.14
66	15.00	12.00	20.00	30.00	20.00	12.00	.....	.....	86.50	73.00
67	20.00	22.00	35.00	36.00	30.00	30.00	.....	.....	117.00	121.00
68	10.00	10.00	20.00	20.00	20.00	10.00	.....	.....	66.00	56.00
69	15.00	5.00	20.00	12.00	20.00	5.00	.....	.....	75.00	32.00
70	50.00	47.00	50.00	63.06	50.00	50.00	.....	32.00	224.75	221.81
71	20.00	20.00	35.00	40.00	40.00	40.00	17.35	4.00	127.00	147.35	
72	10.00	5.00	20.00	10.00	15.00	5.00	.....	4.00	67.00	35.00
73	12.00	12.00	15.00	55.00	15.00	15.00	15.00	1.00	67.00	122.00	
74	10.00	10.00	20.00	72.81	20.00	20.00	.....	.....	70.40	123.21
75	20.00	10.00	20.00	26.72	35.00	35.00	.....	1.00	76.00	108.72
76	30.00	20.00	50.00	80.00	40.00	23.00	.....	2.50	173.00	170.53
77	15.00	15.00	30.00	22.00	40.00	28.00	.....	.....	114.00	96.00
78	45.00	43.00	70.00	51.50	150.00	40.00	154.75	.....	326.00	319.25
79	20.00	10.00	30.00	20.00	40.00	24.00	.....	.....	125.50	69.50
80	15.00	7.00	20.00	11.00	30.00	13.50	.....	3.00	81.65	45.70
81	15.00	15.00	30.00	106.00	40.00	40.00	.....	.....	126.00	202.00
82	10.00	7.00	15.00	12.00	15.00	10.00	.....	.....	60.26	43.26
83	15.00	5.00	20.00	22.65	25.00	20.00	.....	1.00	79.00	59.65
84	15.00	15.00	30.00	30.00	25.00	25.00	.....	2.00	94.00	94.06
85	15.00	14.00	20.00	52.25	30.00	28.75	.....	1.25	113.61	114.86
86	30.00	25.00	30.00	30.00	40.00	40.00	.....	.....	134.00	132.50
87	30.00	30.00	30.00	30.00	40.00	40.00	.....	.....	141.00	141.00
88	50.00	73.99	100.00	279.30	100.00	100.00	65.00	.....	378.13	646.42
89	40.00	40.00	75.00	*153.18	90.00	34.90	99.15	.....	275.00	399.78
90	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
91	10.00	10.00	12.00	17.00	15.00	15.00	.....	4.00	56.00	63.00
92	5.00	.....	10.00	.....	5.00	.....	.....	.....	30.00	.....
	5.00	5.00	1.00	2.00	1.00	1.00	.....	.....	10.00	13.00
	5.00	3.00	1.00	6.00	1.00	2.00	.....	1.00	10.00	19.00
	.....	60.00	.....	35.00	.....	15.00	260.00	.....	.....	431.50
	.....	2.00	.....	.....	.....	2.50	.....	.....	2.05	8.55
Total		1,611.00	1,400.80	2,514.00	4,009.39	3,047.00	2,179.58	1,105.43	129.99	10,570.61	11,110.57

Western Maryland College. For Home in Yokohama \$60.00, included in report from St. John's, paid by one lady. For Home in Nagoya \$105.00, included in report from Easton, \$100 of which was paid by Mrs. Tamsey A. Reese, and \$5.00 by Mr. J. W. Jump. St. John's \$144.51 for College Endowment.

Statistical Tables of the
MEMBERSHIP STATISTICS

No.	CHARGES.	No. Unstationed Min. & Preas.	Probationers.	Members.	PROBATIONERS.						Now on Roll
					No. on Roll at last Conference.	Rec'd during the year.	Elected to Membership.	Withdr'n by Certificate.	Discontin'd.	Deceased.	
1	Accomac	2	306	22	20					2	
2	Alexandria	1	135	3	9	9				4	
3	All Saints		43								
4	Amelia	1	110	1	4	4				8	
5	Anne Arundel	1	231	27	8	24		3		1	
6	Baltimore	3	318	1	18	17	1			15	
7	Barren Creek	1	163		15					1	
8	Bedford		240	16	8	19		4		12	
9	Belair	1	165	5	24	14				30	
10	Broadway		232	20	54	44				4	
11	Cambridge	3	203		10	3				11	
12	Campbell		159							6	
13	Caroline		210	11	11	22	1	5		1	
14	Cecil	4	288	24	11	11		24		20	
15	Central	1	135	5	8	12				4	
16	Centreville	1	113	10	4	6		4		82	
17	Chesapeake	1	93	12	20	10		3		10	
18	Chestertown		205	55	53	15		3		3	
19	Chincoteague	10	76	12	4	2		4		3	
20	Clayton	3	150	6	11	15				36	
21	Concord	1	165							2	
22	Crisfield	36	232	65	21	29		21		27	
23	Crumpton	2	62	6	12	11		9		2	
24	Cumberland	27	107		32	4	1			92	
25	Chesterfield		77		2	2				41	
26	Deer Creek	2	150		2					7	
27	Deer Park		135	13	4	7	2			9	
28	Delta	92	169	52	91	31				25	
29	Dorchester	25	205	28	7	13				41	
30	East Baltimore	41	306	20	59	38		2		7	
31	Easton	7	220	16	5	14				9	
32	Ellicott City	1	29	4	5	6		12	1		
33	Eutaw		108	6	5	5		6			
34	Fawn Grove	2	339		5	5				22	
35	Felton	2	126	19	5	10				8	
36	Finksburg		295	1	11	4				11	
37	First Church		137	2	12					18	
38	Franklin City	1	247	8	13	8		2		31	
39	Frederick	1	473	4	43	29				27	
40	Georgetown	31	197	1	34	2	1				
41	Georget'n, Del.		14								
42	Grove	1	220	54	27	41				11	
43	Hampden	1	389	4	65	61				18	
44	Harper's Ferry		111	7	10	10				31	
45	Harrington	55	268	37	55	31		4		55	
46	Heathsville		240								
47	Howard	2	153	15	31	10		5		7	
48	Indian River		30							31	
49	Jefferson	1	205	15	61	45				30	
50	Kennedyville		93		26	12	1			14	
51	Kent Island	1	136		18	18	2				
52	Laurel		216	66	8	40				1	

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No.	FULL MEMBERS.						SABBATH SCHOOLS.				CONVERSIONS.		
	No. on Roll at last Conference.	Rec'd from Probation.	Rec'd by Certificate.	Withdr'n by Certificate.	Discontin'd.	Deceased.	Now on Roll	No. Schools.	Officers and Teachers.	New Scholars received.	Scholars now on Roll.	In School.	In Congregation.
1	283	20	3	2			306	3	42	104	404	8	14
2	142	9			14	2	135	1	30	7	231	1	11
3							43				95		
4	116	4	2	6	6		110	2	20		280	2	6
5	212	24	2	3	1	3	231	6	40	20	214	13	4
6	308	17	3	3	6	2	318	3	40	6	130		19
7	159		32	17	10	1	163	3	26	59	290		8
8	238	19		2	10	4	240	5	64	30	175	12	10
9	150	17	2	2	8		165	4	40	12	330	16	37
10	179	44	12	2			232	1	22	30	200	7	1
11	200	2					203	2	25	25	205		
12	173						159	1			296	6	8
13	221	22	7	5	9	7	210	4	48	11	375		11
14	300	11	1	3	19	2	288	5	69	9	75		3
15	143	12	3	5	15	3	135	2	18	8	135	4	6
16	109	6	2	1			113	2	20	5	150	13	7
17	95	10			4	1	93	2	12		250	22	45
18	190	15	9	4		5	205	1	36	10	131		8
19	83	2		1	9	1	76	1	18	23	150	3	17
20	144	15	4	1	10	2	150	2	16	10	186		
21	215			3	50	1	165	3	37	50	275	8	27
22	214	29	1	1	9	2	232	1	34	5	116	7	4
23	62	11	2	1	9	1	62	2	19	4	125	14	16
24	102	4	2	1			107	1	22	20	92		4
25	75	2					77	2	17		170	2	1
26	154			4			150	2	18	10	350		4
27	135	7	1	2	2	4	135	4	29		165	12	53
28	135	31	8	1	1	3	169	2	35		230		20
29	200	13	1	3	5	3	205	4	50		454	25	34
30	263	48	27	11	18	3	306	3	20	134	190	2	15
31	214	14	12	8	2	4	220	1	23	20	60		12
32	38						29	1	7		97	3	2
33	103	5					108	1	10	5	396	1	8
34	365	5	1	1	19	4	339	4	46	71	150	2	3
35	145	10	1		6	1	126	3	20	30	368	3	12
36	293	4		2			295	4	57	65	105		10
37	130	12	7	4	5	3	137	1	17	10	300	10	11
38	251	8		1	10	1	247	4	42	60	516	15	30
39	447	29	3	3		3	473	7	95	35	219	16	15
40	202	2	2	2		8	197	1	27	68	75		
41							14	1	5	15	250		35
42	185	41		5		1	220	4	41	15	760		8
43	384	61	2	2	167	2	389	2	60	150	146		17
44	128	10	1	10	7		111	1	17	61	307	31	24
45	338	31	5	2	67	1	268	3	55	15	150		
46	223	17			5	4	240	3			159	19	12
47	150	10	1	4	3	1	153	3	27	14	30		
48	30						30	1	6		473	50	28
49	160	45	2			2	205	5	76	223	90	14	18
50	81	12	3			2	93	1	17	20	190		18
51	122	18		2		2	136	2	24	50	150	1	13
52	176	40	1			1	216	1	15	8			

MEMBERSHIP STATISTICS

No.	CHARGES.	No. Unstationed Min. & Preas.	Probationers.	Members.	PROBATIONERS.						
					No. on Roll at last Conference.	Rec'd during the year.	Elected to Membership.	Withdr'n by Certificate.	Discontin'd.	Deceased.	Now on Roll
53	Leipsic.....	1	7	54	7	7	.....	.....	.....	.....	7
54	Liberty.....	8	8	215	8	8	.....	.....	.....	1	8
55	Lisbon.....	2	27	231	4	28	5	.....	.....	.....	27
56	Lynchburg....	1	10	196	25	14	29	.....	.....	.....	10
57	Middleway....	1	5	70	1	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	5
58	Milton.....	.....	71	173	8	63	.....	.....	.....	.....	71
59	Mt. Tabor.....	.....	8	131	6	54	46	5	.....	.....	8
60	Newark.....	2	4	216	7	4	6	.....	1	.....	4
61	N. C. Avenue..	.....	.....	99	.....	9	9	.....	.....	.....	.....
62	Oxford.....	.....	1	133	41	1	38	4	3	.....	1
63	Pipe Creek....	.....	4	161	.....	5	1	2	45	3	4
64	Pittsville....	.....	11	185	.....	32	21	2	1	.....	11
65	Pocomoke.....	1	3	263	4	19	7	.....	3	.....	3
66	Pocomoke City	1	.....	343	.....	89	87	2	.....	.....	.....
67	Potomac.....	2	2	89	10	2	11	.....	.....	.....	2
68	Powellsville..	.....	23	186	18	24	18	.....	.....	1	23
69	Quantico.....	1	.....	266	3	52	46	.....	.....	.....	.....
70	Queen Anne's.	.....	6	124	33	25	21	2	3	.....	6
71	Reliance.....	.....	24	173	12	74	62	.....	.....	.....	24
72	Rowlandville..	2	21	125	11	21	.....	11	.....	.....	21
73	St. James.....	.....	.....	140	2	33	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
74	St. Luke's....	1	2	138	3	1	1	.....	.....	1	2
75	St. Michael's.	1	.....	97	.....	7	7	.....	.....	.....	.....
76	Salisbury.....	.....	36	140	2	34	.....	.....	.....	.....	36
77	Seaford.....	.....	51	117	96	41	76	3	6	1	51
78	Snow Hill....	1	65	288	12	77	24	1	.....	.....	65
79	Somerset.....	.....	16	240	13	7	.....	.....	.....	.....	16
80	South Balto..	.....	11	153	16	16	20	5	6	.....	11
81	Starr.....	.....	.....	204	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
82	Stewartstown.	.....	9	255	40	9	19	.....	20	1	9
83	Surry.....	.....	.....	188	4	.....	4	.....	.....	.....	.....
84	Susquehanna..	.....	.....	184	27	27	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
85	Sussex.....	2	.....	206	1	18	17	.....	.....	.....	2
86	Talbot.....	.....	.....	58	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
87	Union.....	6	.....	244	3	25	19	.....	.....	1	6
88	Urion Bridge..	.....	.....	96	.....	2	.....	7	.....	1	.....
89	Warwick.....	.....	4	174	11	32	28	.....	11	.....	4
90	Washing'n-St	1	50	241	56	24	24	3	3	.....	50
91	West Balto..	3	29	341	38	19	17	3	.....	.....	29
92	Westminster..	3	8	197	9	2	.....	.....	.....	.....	8
93	Williamsport.	.....	.....	43	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
94	Wilmington..	1	8	75	3	5	.....	.....	.....	.....	8
95	Berkley.....	7	109	850	114	42	38	.....	5	4	109
96	Ch rleston....	.....	17	191	.....	31	12	1	1	.....	17
97	Itinerants....	.....	.....	114	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Total.....		64	1,375	17,870	1,202	1,945	1,454	44	240	17	1,375
Report of 1888.		68	1,497	17,162	1,582	1,877	1,523	34	331	38	1,497
Gain.....		708	68	10
Loss.....		4	122	380	69	91	21	122

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53	64	2	8	1	54	1	13	10	125	9	
54	225	8	2	10	5	215	3	65	4	284	5	3	
55	227	5	231	4	51	18	398	13	15	
56	166	27	3	2	.....	2	196	1	18	40	141	8	7
57	109	19	.....	2	.....	1	70	2	15	1	100	.....	.....
58	204	.....	.....	1	31	1	173	4	20	22	247	15	48
59	96	46	4	6	9	1	131	1	21	.....	152	25	46
60	219	10	5	12	2	4	216	1	25	39	186	2	2	
61	103	9	2	2	11	1	99	1	18	35	163	3	6	
62	95	38	3	4	.....	.....	133	1	21	.....	120	.....	2
63	210	1	.....	2	45	3	161	2	15	.....	150	.....	5
64	177	21	.....	5	12	.....	185	3	34	50	360	6	26
65	249	17	2	2	.....	3	263	2	18	5	165	.....	19
66	241	87	15	.....	.....	2	343	2	40	25	230	41	59
67	78	11	.....	.....	.....	.....	89	2	15	15	125	.....	2
68	183	18	2	11	4	.....	186	4	12	.....	153	37	3
69	213	46	.....	2	19	4	266	5	46	.....	283	31	32
70	123	19	.....	7	2	.....	124	2	25	.....	130	.....	23
71	122	62	.....	3	6	2	173	3	25	20	125	15	58
72	144	.....	2	3	10	8	125	3	28	.....	250	.....	21
73	101	33	.....	.....	.....	2	140	2	30	15	115	5	28
74	139	1	10	10	.....	2	138	1	28	30	200	.....	.....
75	91	7	1	1	.....	1	97	2	21	25	110	.....	7
76	125	.....	18	1	.....	3	140	2	20	50	165	15	20
77	43	76	2	1	2	1	117	1	20	18	97	8	36	
78	234	24	33	.....	1	2	288	5	40	30	225	20	87
79	240	.....	4	3	.....	1	240	2	26	50	270	4	10
80	144	18	3	5	10	2	153	1	30	20	195	.....	16
81	216	.....	2	2	8	4	204	1	34	.....	253	.....	5
82	247	19	.....	.....	3	8	255	5	50	100	400	8	26
83	185	4	.....	1	.....	1	188	2	21	13	128	.....	4
84	177	27	1	3	.....	3	184	3	30	.....	187	14	13
85	193	17	1	2	2	1	206	4	52	31	337	9	9	
86	59	.....	.....	1	.....	.....	58	2	10	.....	58	.....	.....
87	215	25	4	.....	.....	3	244	4	43	14	258	.....	36
88	102	.....	2	7	.....	1	96	2	32	.....	217	.....	.....
89	167	28	8	7	19	.....	174	3	25	7	197	5	.....
90	220	24	6	2	3	4	241	1	26	20	250	11	13	
91	329	17	12	8	1	2	341	1	40	.....	404	9	5
92	198	1	3	6	.....	1	197	1	29	.....	190	.....	9
93	43	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	43	2	17	.....	116	.....	.....
94	84	.....	2	7	4	.....	75	1	31	92	328	2	2
95	834	38	5	3	5	19	850	13	29	.....	385	.....	3
96	249	12	1	1	2	8	191	2	8	8	181	.....	11
97	112	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	114	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Total.....		17,161	1,583	329	269	735	203	17,870	237½	2,761	2,333	20,633	652	1,395
Report of 1888.		16,104	1,573	248	232	612	222	17,162	222	2,689	2,375	19,061	425	1,781
Gain.....		1,057	10	81	37	113	708	15½	72	1,572	227
Loss.....		42	386

SUPERANNUATED FUND SOCIETY.

The Superannuated Fund Society met in Lynchburg M. P. Church, Wednesday, April 4th, 1889, First Vice-President H. C. Cushing in the chair. In the absence of the Treasurer, J. G. Clarke, J. T. Murray read Treasurer's report. It was adopted.

Moved and adopted, the Secretary send a letter of thanks to the Treasurer for his work so admirably done.

A vote of thanks was tendered the Corresponding Secretary for the accurate performance of his duties.

G. W. Haddaway was appointed to collect annual dues.

Election of officers resulted as follows: First Vice-President, H. C. Cushing; Second Vice President, T. D. Valiant; Corresponding Secretary, A. W. Mather; Recording Secretary, B. W. Kindley. Board of Managers—E. J. Drinkhouse, J. J. Murray, D. L. Greenfield, J. E. T. Ewell, Horace Burrough, J. H. Elliott, J. A. C. Kahler, J. G. Clarke.

No further business, Society adjourned.

B. W. KINDLEY, *Secretary.*

HOME MISSIONARY SOCIETY.

The Home Missionary Society of the Maryland Annual Conference met at Lynchburg, Va., on Thursday, April 4, 1889, Dr. J. L. Mills in the chair.

W. J. Neeper was elected Secretary pro tem.

The report of the Treasurer, W. H. Silk, was read and referred to the Board of Managers for audit.

The following officers were elected: President, J. L. Mills; First Vice-President, J. E. Maloy; Second Vice-President, J. S. Bowers; Third Vice-President, J. W. Trout; Secretary, W. J. Neeper; Treasurer, W. H. Silk. Board of Managers—D. L. Greenfield, J. D. Kinzer, F. T. Little, R. S. Rowe, J. N. Gilbert, T. Harry Bartlett, W. H. Silk, and W. J. C. Dulany.

C. E. McCullough was appointed to collect the annual dues.

It was ordered that the Treasurer be instructed, in his next report to the Society, to give a record of all the assets of the Society.

Adjourned to meet Monday evening, April 6, 1889.

W. J. NEEPIER, *Secretary.*

THE UNITY OF THE CHURCH OF CHRIST.

BY REV. E. R. MCGREGOR, A. M.

REV. XI. 15.—The kingdoms of this world are become the kingdom of our Lord and of its Christ.

We are working and waiting for the consummation of the divine ideal for which all earthly interests exist, and for which the world stands and presents its ever varying social and religious aspects. Is there to be an end of the present scene, a regeneration? Is there to be a radical change in the present phase of the church of Christ? Will harmony yet come out of all this confusion? Will there be a perfect unity? The text gives the answer: "The kingdoms of this world are become the kingdom of our Lord and of its Christ." That would be a grand conquest, if literally the kingdoms of this world were to fall under the sway of the Mediatorial King, Christ, the Son of God, and all earthly sovereigns should lay their diadems at the foot of his throne. The attempts to realize that event, persisted in for a thousand years or more, by the self-constituted vicegerents of our Lord, have filled the earth with war, waste and woe, eventuating in total failure, when less than a score of years ago an insignificant potentate deprived the spiritual despot of his sceptre and relegated his civil pretensions to everlasting nonentity. Now were the sovereignties of the four quarters of the world—Europe, Asia, Africa, America—to become absorbed in Christ's kingdom, the parable of the mustard-seed would have a realization that would enwrap human society in civil glory. But there is a more excellent glory awaiting Christ's kingdom than that. Said Christ, "My kingdom is not of this world"—neither in its spirit, regime, nor power. There is not an iota of affinity between its constitution and human politics. It is a lone star, following an orbit that has brought it within the area of our religious solar system, growing larger and brighter as it progresses, dimming the planets, and destined to darken by its splendors every other sun.

What is Christ's kingdom? In the king's own words, it is the sower going forth to sow. It is the man that sowed good seed in his field and his enemy came and sowed tares. It is the grain of mustard-seed that produced a plant whose branches sustained the weight of all the spiritual entities of the earth. It is the leaven hid in the three measures of meal until the mass is leavened. It is a treasure hid in a field, inviting human enterprise to the search, and the investment of our all in it. It is the merchant-man seeking goodly pearls, and turning all his wealth into gold to buy one of great price. It is the fish-net cast into the sea, gathering of every kind. That is the kingdom which

John, the greatest of prophets, and Jesus said, was at hand—it was here in the person of its king, for which daily prayer is to be made, “Thy kingdom come.” With these illustrations can there be any misunderstanding of the nature of the kingdom of Christ? It has not a single element that characterizes any governmental establishment among men, civil or ecclesiastical. Its fundamental principle is unique. Ever since the days of Constantine the Great, his successors in Europe have claimed as a fundamental truth of their sovereignties that the right of the king is divine; and coeval with despotic sentiment the hierarchy, which he inaugurated, has maintained that its headship is the vicegerent of the Almighty; and this idea in time has developed into infallibility in doctrine, government, and ecclesiastical authority, out of which has flowed a vassalage that has kept in abeyance the freedom of mankind. The king and priest have ever said to Christ’s people, “We stand at the divine throne; it is our prerogative to rule; obey us.” Human despotism stands between Christ and his subjects. Jesus said, “Who do men say that I the son of man am?” The answer was, some distinguished human personage. “But who do ye say that I am?” “Thou art the Christ, the Son of the living God.” That is no human conception; that is a revelation to your hearts and intelligence from my Father. On that fact rests my kingdom, and in its analysis it expands into a truth, around which cluster, and from which emanate all other truths revealed from heaven. Thou art the Christ, the Messiah, the Anointed, the Consecrated, the Mediator. The Son of God, the one Mediator between God and man. It is impossible that there should be any other mediator. Christ’s kingdom recognizes only God, mediator, man. This being the fundamental truth of Christ’s kingdom, into possession of which, as a saving and practical force, no one can come only as the divine Father reveals it to him, it is at once apparent who alone are the subjects of Christ’s kingdom. They who possess this truth in heart and mind as the power of a godly life. They are the converted men and women and children of the human family, of all ages and countries. “Blessed art thou, Bar-jona, flesh and blood hath not revealed it unto thee, but my Father which is in heaven.” These are they who, through faith in that truth, “subdued kingdoms, wrought righteousness, stopped the mouths of lions, escaped the edge of the sword, and women who received their dead raised to life again. They were stoned, sawn asunder, slain with the sword; they wandered about in sheepskins, and goat-skins, destitute, afflicted, tormented, of whom the world was not worthy.” They are the martyrs to human ambition and cruelty. They are the heretics of the so-called church history. The kingdoms of this world are to become this kingdom. Its king shall be their king. Its fundamental truth shall be their fundamental truth. The character of its subjects shall be the character of their subjects. They shall be one and indivisible with it. There shall be one crown, one character, one doctrine.

But as Christ’s kingdom is not of this world, the presumption is that these kingdoms are not political sovereignties. They may be used in a representative sense. They may be in the revelator’s mind religious organizations; aye, in the book from which the text is taken, the medium of expressing the divine thought is peculiar. It is not literal human language. A candlestick is made

to represent a church organization; a star, a minister of the gospel; twenty-four venerable personages in white robes around a throne are redeemed saints as ministers of the divine majesty in heaven. The sun is a human sovereignty; an earthquake is a civil revolution; a woman clothed with the sun is the church as it existed in simple societies, before their centralization under one head; and whoever has scanned carefully the principles of interpretation, as here and there suggested by the inspiring spirit, cannot fail to see that objects in one sphere of life are made to stand for objects in the next higher sphere. They are equivalents one of the other. From the animal sphere you go to the civil for the counterpart reality. From the civil department you go to the religious. From worldly kingdoms you go to analagous religious organizations for the reality. “The kingdoms of this world” are the religious Christian organizations comprehending Christendom. Our text reads then, The religious Christian organizations of Christendom are become the church of our Lord and it Christ. Do you see the unparalleled glory in that event? Do you not see in that event the unity of the church of Christ? Let us take a cursory review of the onward march through time of the great truth of Christ’s kingdom to the conquest of the world? “Jesus the Christ, the Son of the living God.” Jesus said, “Think not that I came to send peace on earth. I came not to send peace but a sword.” Here is the divine premonition of a mighty conflict. That conflict is waged between the truth of the gospel and fallen human nature. Gospel truth is a fountain of bliss; human nature muddles it or poisons it. Gospel truth is the tree of life, the panacea for all our ills; human nature beats off its fruit and pitches it to swine, and substitutes its own nostrums. Gospel truth is the very bread of heaven, angel’s food; human nature gives it to dogs, and places on our tables the leaden loaves of disease and death. Gospel truth is light; human nature puts darkness for light, because it loves darkness rather than light. But of all truths the nucleus truth, “Christ, the Son of the living God,” is most repulsive to human nature. In the plan of human redemption it allows no margin for the display of humanity only at the footstool of mercy; nor any voice in its regime only “God be merciful to me a sinner.” Rather than that truth should be, Caiaphas would persuade Pilate to hang Jesus on the cross as a blasphemer. Rather than that truth should prevail, paganism would kindle into a blaze of superstition the Roman empire and consume to ashes its promoters. To push it out of their way to prominence and glory, ambitious men created partisanships and vexed the godly heart with their contentions and strifes, until a master hand grasped the situation, inaugurated himself head of the church, placed Jesus on a footstool at his feet, there to weep over the world’s desolations for more than a thousand years. For a period of more than a thousand years, from Constantine the Great to Luther the monk, there was virtually no “Christ, the Son of the living God,” in the so-called Christian church; only as he was hid away in the forests, the mountains, the caves, the dens and deserts; only when hunted down he was brought to public notice to undergo trials of cruel mockings and scourgings—to be stoned, to be sawn asunder, to be slain with the sword; a grand heretic against whom human wrath knew no bounds. When the regeneration came, when the times of re-

freshing from the presence of the Lord came; when the church matron returned from her wilderness exile; when the Christ, the Son of the living God, again in public returned to his people, and was preached anew in the doctrine of justification by faith; angels listened to the muttering thunders of the old effete unity, so long maintained by fire and sword, rolling away; and to the tocsin of harmony promising a perfect unity by a new breath of God awakening the church of Christ to a living soul. Will the prayer of Jesus be answered now? "That they all may be one, as thou Father art in me and I in thee; that they may be one in us that the world may know that thou hast sent me." Why not? Here are Luther, Calvin, Melancthon, Zwinglis, representative men leading on the new hosts of God. Will they all be one? They are one in the law that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of the living God. Justification by faith in him insures independence of priestly prerogatives; and consequent regeneration by the Holy Spirit secures a divine sonship that makes equal all the children of God; that renders priestly domination impossible. No man can be master again. What hinders a unity of the church of Christ now? From this era human nature takes a new departure. It will, if possible, yet shun the Christ, the Son of the living God. The kingdom of heaven must wage a warfare against it on new issues. Even Luther brings in his consubstantiation; and Calvin his eternal decrees; and Zwinglis insists on his simple forms in worship; so human nature, instead of gathering and consolidating, scatters and dissipates. Instead of unity in variety, variety alone predominates. The kingdom of Christ has now a double work on hand—the salvation of men and the unity of the church of Christ. While salvation flows on, gathering the multitudes which no man can number, human nature diverts the waters into channels that run in all except parallel directions. When any stream issues from the fountain it bears on its bosom the pivotal truth of Christ's church in its normal size; but as it flows on that truth wanes in importance until it is but a narrow rim barely seen dipping its golden horn in and out of the wave. Where human nature carries the head, there the heart goes; and we have the strange spectacle of a hundred sects claiming Christ for a spiritual head; but who is made of as little consequence to his church as he was when seated by the imperial Cæsar Constantine at the foot of his throne. To affirm that these sects are the products of Christ's religion, and grow out of its fundamental truth, would in effect bring to view a kingdom divided against itself, and which must fall. The fact that the great Christian law of love to the brethren is ignored by all these sects, and that they avoid each other's assemblies for the worship of God, and individually shy each other in religious associations and relations; the fact that scarcely a sect, as a whole or as individuals in it, can persuade themselves into the belief or feeling that any other sect has a page for its names in the book of life, or a mansion in God's house, is convincing evidence that they all partake to an infinitesimal degree only of the magnanimous charity of the kingdom of Christ. Happy for the divine religion, that not one of these sects has had the brazen effrontery to call itself by the name, Kingdom of Christ! Sectarianism is the offspring of human nature. It is the child of selfishness and conceit. It will never admit of unity of the church of Christ. Rather than

yield a hobby idea, a pet notion, an elegant ceremony, an imposing formality, it would let the kingdom of Christ sink to the bottom of the sea. But these kingdoms of the world *must* become the kingdom of our Lord and his Christ. How, when every denomination claims that itself is an essential component part of the church of Christ, and every other denomination must accept its platform to be entitled to the oneness for which the Lord prayed? Happily for the kingdom of Christ there have been Peters in every Christian association since Jesus inaugurated his religion, to speak out as the Father in heaven gave utterance and answer the question, "Whom say ye that I am?" "Thou art the Christ, the Son of the living God;" and if they have suffered martyrdom their blood has been the prolific seed of the church. These Peters have been converted men not only, but developed sanctified men, to whom the Christ, the Son of the living God, has been the very essence of the gospel, and its products the sanctifying power of the church; while the specialties of sectarianism, although conveniences, were never essentials. But these Peters have always been in the minority, and sometimes the minority has been so insignificant as not to attract public notice; and the sectarians have moved in such a wide sweep that infidelity sneers at the reality of the divine religion; and even the Japanese heathen have voted Christianity a magnificent failure, and seriously propose to displace it with Buddhism. But the Peters are marching on. During the current century they have lifted up the standard of the kingdom of Christ in every denomination; and they recognize each other's movements by beacon lights on every hill-top of Zion. The winter night has been a long one. The sun, in circling under the rim of the horizon, has just shown enough of an upper limb, or shot up rays just enough to warrant a belief in its existence, as we have settled into a lethargic hibernation, to wait for sunrise and the thawing of the icebergs around us; but now, in the age of gray locks and wrinkled brow of the nineteenth century, our sky has begun to dip towards the north pole, bearing farther and farther up from the horizon, and nearer the zenith, the sun of righteousness that brings light, heat, life, and joy. The summer of our hopes of the consummation is sending out its harbinger in the blue haze covering the distant hills. The blessed Bar-Jonah's are doing their godly work in all the denominations and doing it well. The monster head of bigotry has disappeared for ever. Calvinism and Arminianism are no longer afraid to sit together in the same heavenly place in Christ Jesus, and send up prayers made sweet incense by the spirit that helps their infirmities alike; apostolical succession, that came within our constellation, wildly dashing among our planets, and foreboding disaster to our dissenting orb, is plunging away into space, concealing its nucleus and withdrawing its vapory tail from our view. As a fundamental it is gone forever. Priestly prerogative, usurping exclusive power to legislate and execute law over the children of God who, like a sheep before her shearer is dumb, never open their mouths, is at an enormous discount. Its stock is every day depreciating and soon the whole concern will go into the hands of a receiver. The Peters are at their doors demanding a reckoning. Immersion as a fundamental has nearly run its race. It is glad enough to return from the chase and sniff Jacob's savory potage, and barter its birth-

right for a mess to appease its bigoted hunger. The Peters are there, lifting up the standard, "Christ, the Son of the living God;" and shame in their presence blushes red as they feast on the viands of selfishness; and the hundred and one little communions scattered all over Christendom, that have laid aside the great fundamental in its spirit and power, to ride hobbies, gotten by conceit and fed by ignorance—some blind, some lame, some stalky, some fractious, some vicious—each claiming for his nag a "Dexter," or a "Maud," are coming to share the sneers of mankind and the contempt of angels. The Peters are letting in the sunlight upon them; and some of them are coming to admit there may be somebody else in heaven besides themselves, and that possibly the whole world will not have to come to their views before the millenium dawns. Surely the leaven of unity is working among the denominations. That leaven, let me repeat it, is "Christ, the Son of the living God," as the only name under heaven given among men whereby we must be saved. Just in proportion as that truth pervades the hearts of the leaders and teachers of the denominations will they attract each other—come into harmony—and attune the great harp of our Christianity into unison, and we shall have angelic music, because the universal refrain will be, "Jesus the Christ, the Son of the living God." Now, "when this gospel of the kingdom shall be preached in all the world, as a witness to all nations, then shall the end come." Then the unity shall be universal, and the world shall know that the Father hath sent the Son into the world to be its Christ, and the rays of the millennium will begin to appear. By these unfoldings we have learned the meaning of the kingdom of our Lord and its Christ, and of the gospel of the kingdom. We need to understand two ideas more to have the data needful as a basis to the conclusion we are ambitious to reach.

What is the church of Christ in which a unity is so devoutly desired? and what will be the ultimate result of preaching the gospel of the kingdom as a witness to all nations? Upon this rock, said the king, will I build my church. Upon this "Petra"—this stone from the quarry by nature adapted for a foundation, in contradistinction to "petros," an ordinary stone—will I build my church, my "ecclesiam," my "concionem," which in ecclesiastical relations means a religious organization, but when used in civil relations means an army. Here used in relation to a kingdom it means the army of the kingdom, an army made up of blessed Bar-Jonahs, to whom the keys of the kingdom shall be entrusted, to admit those to whom the Father has revealed the "Petra," "Christ, the Son of the living God," and to exclude all others who theoretically or practically "deny the Father and the Son." This grand army of the kingdom of Christ, enlisted by the great captain of our salvation under the cognomen of the Blessed Bar-Jonah corps, is the "ecclesia," the church of Christ. Is there any other church of Christ? Is your society, sect, denomination, religious organization, the church of Christ? Are there a score of churches of Christ? Are there fifty churches of Christ? Are your associated societies—your presbyteries, your episcopacies, your conferences, your papacies—churches of Christ? Your voices, with a single exception, are unanimous in the negative. You are all religious organizations, baptized by a Christian name. The world is led to imagine that each one is a

church of Christ, a vast and imposing variety without unity; and hence to this remote day they do not believe the Father hath sent the Son into the world. These are the worldly kingdoms that are to be united under one law. They are to become the kingdom of our Lord and its Christ. From their membership enlistments are to go on into the grand army of the kingdom, until the denominational name shall become obsolete, or remain as a memorial standard, under which, in sterner times, the blessed Bar-Jonahs have gained their most signal triumphs. When shall these things be? "When this gospel of the kingdom shall be preached in all the world for a witness to all nations." For a witness? O, just for a witness! There the flow of salvation is to stop! Will the stream then flow back to its source? A witness is a "person" in our times. In King James' time it was "evidence." Hence the gospel of the kingdom is preached for evidence. Evidence is accumulated to induce belief. Belief is the basis of justification unto life. This, in modern parlance, is conversion. What is the object of preaching the gospel of the kingdom in all the world for evidence to all nations? Simply the conversion of the world. Whose aim is that? Whose but His who came to seek and save the lost. Will his aim be frustrated? "Judging from the past we have no hope." Perhaps you do not see the past as it is. Go, take the wings of an angel and hover over the earth when without form and void, and darkness was upon the face of the deep. Here is universal water; under the water land—nothing else. But that vast sheet of water is pregnant with organized life. You presently shall see monera, minnows, porpoises, sharks, great whales, and vast shoals of every species of the finny tribe sporting in the "vast deep." You would not infer these effects from the insignificant causes that came under your observation. To you darkness rests upon the face of the Christian world. You have not penetrated to the hidden workings of the gospel of the kingdom among its human elements. In nature, when the Creator was ready He said, "Let there be light, and there was light." In grace, when the Father Almighty is ready, the nations shall be luminous with his glory. The gospel is not simply wrestling with flesh and blood, but with principalities and powers, and wicked spirits in high places. Christianity recognizes a god of this world, as well the God of heaven and other worlds. Whatever it is, whoever he is, he leads men captive at his will. He is the spirit that worketh in the children of disobedience. May there not be an invisible drama on the stage of the invisible world, and what we see of the conversion of men, the gathering of Christian societies, the organization of churches and hierarchies, be merely its cropping out to our view? It required three hundred years for the gospel to destroy paganism as an organized system of opposition to Christ, the Son of the living God. It required a thousand years to make ready the forces and agencies to give the great hierarchy the legitimate successor of paganism, the palsying blow that loosened its grasp on the throat of the Christian and political worlds. The gospel, as disseminated by Luther, and Calvin, Melancthon, and Zwingli, was sapping and mining three hundred years at the foundation of the French dynasty, the legitimate successor of the Roman persecuting civil power, before it fell, and with it ending forever the papal

persecution of the heretics—the Huguenots and the Puritans—the blessed Bar-Jonahs of a former age. It required a hundred years more nearly to produce a Victor Immanuel, with a Garibaldi, to wrest from the papal grasp the temporal power, and throw open the gates of bigotry to the blessed Bar-Jonahs of our century, who are pressing hard with the flashing sword of the spirit to the very doors of the Vatican. “O! but how few the conversions to Christianity are!” How do you see these things? Do you mean by Christianity great organizations, powerful combinations, like vast avalanches toppling down from their alpine heights and burying all organized opposition below them in oblivion? Go stand by the gates of the land of reward and rest, and look down towards time’s valley of the shadow of death; a stream of sanctified souls flowing on day and night, and pouring into the harbor of the eternal home—flowing for more than eighteen hundred years—a multitude which no man can number! O, that is nothing! But the papal hierarchy is something! The English establishment is something! The Lutheran ecclesiasticism is something! Methodism is something! Their communions are crowded with Christians! With Christians!! Indeed it has required eighteen hundred years to clear the way to begin to preach this gospel of the kingdom in all the world. Only just now organized opposition to the Bar-Jonahs, giving in their testimony to all nations, is extinct. It has cost eighteen centuries of banishments, imprisonments, blood and fire, to effect that. Now, because after only fifty years of mere pioneering in heathen lands, the heathen do not rush in crowds into the sheepfolds of Christendom, great men and small unite in clamoring, “Where is the promise of his coming?” Whose religion is this? Whose enterprise is this? Yours or the Almighty’s? He has said, “This gospel of the kingdom must be preached in all the world for evidence to all nations, then shall the end come.”

Look now at the vantage ground for preaching the gospel of the kingdom in all the world at our era. There is the toison, the equivalent representative, the “angel flying through the midst of heaven, having the everlasting gospel to preach.” Enwrapped in his person are the appliances and conditions provided, by the eternal sovereign of this world’s destiny, during the ages, for that end. In his front glows the Book of God, illuminating the ancestral history of the Christ, the Son of the living God; his assumption of the creature form in lieu of the divine; his manhood as God manifest in the flesh; his redemptive work; his intercessory interregnum; his advent in the glory of his Father; and his mediatorial reign on the regenerated earth. That book, chained, like a culprit to a rock, for hundreds of years, while human nature was revelling rampant in the blood of souls, now like the solar walk, extended across our sky in galaxies of glowing suns, is rising in the horizons of all nations the dawn of their coming glory. That providential appliance alone gives assurance of the speedy fulfillment of Christ’s prediction of the harbinger of the coming end, the preaching of this gospel in all the world; for it may lie silent now in the tongues of all nations, but it only needs the tongue of fire to give it vocality. Floating around these multiplied books of God, like the star-dust in the milky-way around its suns, gleaming and sparkling in all directions, is the sacred literature of the times. Superstition and

bigotry and, later, infidelity have hung up the pall of ignorance and hate to conceal the star-dust from human view, and asserted that nothing substantial exists there; but the telescopes of godly genius have rent asunder the veil, and the divine glory fills the vault of the Christian sky. From millions of pens, pointed with the diamonds of devotion to God, portraits of the Christ, the Son of the living God, are hanging in a hundred million boudoirs of the civilized world. They are like germs to produce fruit. The fruit is patent. Two converted men meet for the first time. The Christian greeting communicates a new electric spark to each heart. The divine magnetism overpowers the rough iron of sectarianism, and a new combination is formed that is eternal. These Bar-Jonah combinations are no longer the exceptions but the rule of Christian life. Sectarianism may growl about it, but the godly literature of the times is drowning the growl with its heavenly music. These combinations are creating everywhere an unusual working enthusiasm in Christian communities. The evangelization of the world is no longer monopolized by ecclesiastics, religious knights, monastics, or even learned doctors and eloquent preachers; but out of the mouths of babes and sucklings praise is ordained. The laical millions crowd the Christian sanctuaries watching for souls; are found in their closets wrestling with the covenant angel and saying, “I will not let thee go except thou bless me;” and are seen traversing the highways and hedges compelling the prodigals to come home. This working enthusiasm is characteristic of our times. Is the Holy Ghost among the people? Does that mean anything in enlightening the world? But the Great Leader of the embattled legions has drafted mammon himself into his service. Outside the Christian lines money is king and rules with a rod of iron. Dolorous wails go up to heaven in every department of life, of the oppressions of money. Even the politics of the day shape themselves to meet the demands of money. Formerly the dynamic force of the so-called Christian religion lay in money; and even now the great ecclesiastical organization, formerly a hierarchy, has no other force to propagate itself, or even to defend and maintain itself, but money. Money as king is only another name for human selfishness; and every one of its votaries cries, “Give, give,” and in the grand scramble the rich and poor, high and low, capital and labor, are sprawling in the slough of greed. The picture on the other side is benevolence. The gospel of the kingdom has converted selfishness into it. The millions to whom the Father has revealed Christ have caught his spirit: “Though rich, he became poor, that through his poverty they might be rich.” They come in crowds in this spirit, inquiring, “What wilt thou have me do?” They endorse on all their possessions, “Subject to the order of Jesus, the treasurer of the kingdom.” In the time of our Lord’s ministry there was one widow that cast into the holy treasury her two mites—all her living; now there are millions that cast into it all their living. There never was such an age of Christian benevolence as this. Money, the god of this world and king of unsanctified men, is the slave of the subjects of the kingdom of Christ. Is here no important factor in the problem of the world’s conversion? These and other combinations, formed through the dictations of the Holy Spirit, are seen by the opposition principalities and powers, and they cower under the

apprehension of impending disintegration. Infidelity is mad, and is endeavoring to foist upon mankind, in a clandestine manner, the falsity of no-God through the subtleties of materialism. The false prophet is alarmed and cries through all the nations to restore him his sword to checkmate these desperate heretics which he once had under such abject control; and formalism and ritualism, seeing their coming doom, everywhere hiss "ignorance, fanaticism," and hide behind this bulwark of prejudice. These are some of the appliances and conditions that give emphasis to the command of Jesus, "Go ye into all the world and preach the gospel to every creature." Are they not premonitions of the looked-for consummation?

But the agencies of the times, raised up by the divine providence to realize this aim of the Son of God, are no less remarkable than the appliances and conditions. They form the grandest cavalcade of actors in the arena of Christianity that has ever appeared since the apostolic age. To describe them briefly the inspiring spirit brings them to view under three grades of representative agents. Just as he gave us a view of the apostles and their successors, their characters, their activity, their indomitable perseverance, their success, and the mede of praise awarded them by mankind, in a toison described in four lines—"A Roman hero on his white charger, with his bow, awarded a crown, going forth conquering and to conquer"—so the leading agents in promoting the gospel of the kingdom of our times are described under a toison far transcending in heroism and greatness any Cæsar, who for his superlative excellence among his rivals was placed among the divinities by his admirers. He appears on his white charger. He is no partisan, but "Faithful and True." He makes war also, not for partisan purposes, but in "righteousness." His intelligence and wisdom preclude all mistakes in plans and their execution, as much as a "flaming eye" scans an object far more critically than one blinded by casualty or age. His "many crowns" indicate his numerous conquests. His wonderful character, like a concealed "name," is incomprehensible. As "a vesture dipped in blood" bespeaks the indomitable courage and reckless daring of the trooper, so he has consecrated life and his all to promote the war. His valor has gained for him the soubriquet of the "Word of God." "The sword of his mouth" is the magnetic power that accompanies the utterance of his orders. His victories have made him "King of kings and Lord of lords." This is a wonderful representative agent. He looks so much like Jesus Christ that he is by many mistaken for him. This only enhances our estimate of the evangelical leaders of our times. His army, the cavalry following him to victory and glory, are like him, on white steeds, in white uniform, inspiring the same spirit, flushed with the same enthusiasm that ensures victory. But look at them in their classes and grades. Begin at the sanctum of sacred journalism. This man, filled with faith and the Holy Ghost, dips his sanctified thought into the divine Bethesda, and telephones it to thousands and tens of thousands who rise, and take up their beds and walk. What a sweep of influence a godly editor has in these times! The enemy came in like a flood. He swept away the levees of the banks of our inspiration, and spread over our delectable plantations the debris of materialism. For a season the godly man was appalled at the waste

and ruin everywhere in view. The settlers were leaving their homes and fleeing to the hills of skepticism. Our Christian patrimony was seemingly doomed. Sacred journalism rebuilt the levee, drained the land, and said to scientific skepticism, "Thus far shalt thou go and no farther;" and its proud waves are breaking in pieces on the bosom of the dark sea of nothingness. What sacred journalism has effected in our times in annihilating the falsities of materialism, is prophetic of its future career. Its eye is on the goal. Take next the old pulpit, the grand rallying centre of the sanctified hosts of God; that holy of holies containing the ark of the testimony, the mercy-seat, the ministering angelic cherubim, and the holy shechina; pitched in Gilgal to stay until the promised land is redeemed. Some would pitch it into oblivion. Slow, dull, toilsome, ineffective as it seems, the new telephone from the right hand of God is extended to it, and the electric wires are seen running to its thousands of departments, all communicating with each other and the divine throne. The result? Harmonious movement. The same shibboleth in speech, sympathetic hearts, the grandest combination for effective work the world ever saw, the Evangelic Alliance, the sanctified child of the old pulpit, the unity for which Christ prayed. Is the end nearing? Watchmen, tell us of the night—Aurora is rising. We see dimly eye to eye. The old pulpit.

Hear again, a voice came across a dismal chasm of fifteen centuries, "Go ye into all the world and preach the gospel to every creature." A simple-hearted fanatic starts up, like Bunyan's old pilgrim, and says, "I must go." The ship lands him with the gospel on an island of savages. He preaches; a dark mind here and there is opened; the light pours in; the heart is touched; and he believes and hopes. But, alas! hungry maws yearn after meat more than the bread of life. The missionary is roasted and served up at a cannibal feast. Nothing daunted, other fanatical heroes land with the same gospel on the same island. The Holy Ghost has been there in the meantime. The people are ready for the bread of life. The cannibal disappears; the Christian sanctuary rises. Cannibal orgies have given way to the worship of God; the savage has become a Christian nation. Here is the type of the missionary uprising all over Christendom. There are enthusiasts enough, divinely moved, all through the Christian world, to exhaust all the millions that Christian benevolence may pour into the Lord's treasury, to obey the word, "Go preach my gospel." They go from every Christian land to every heathen land like tides of emigration. Like emigrants in a new and uncultivated country where subsistence is alarmingly scanty, they resort to every means to prepare and enrich the soil and sow the seed. Will the harvest follow the seed-time or not? A great canon of a greater ecclesiastical organization, seconded by a thousand subordinate croakers, cry out, "Missions are a failure! O! missions are a failure!" Happily, the king of the kingdom has not committed this work to men with great brains full of human thought; but men with great hearts full of the spirit of the Son of God, with just faith enough to feel they are always on their journey home, whether the depot be within Christian or heathen borders; and just stupid enough to believe their religion. Now what must happen under divine providence. A little boy of humble parentage, on a hillside back of his cottage home, scatters a few violet seeds for a

memento of the pleasant associations he was forced to leave. Will they produce his favorite pansy? Twenty years after he passes the site of the old homestead. The cottage is gone, but the hillside is turning up ten thousand sweet lips to the kissing sun. More dear to God, more sacred to Christ, is the gospel seed sown in heathen lands. The whole territory, from the base to the summit of the hills and mountains, from plain to forest, from sea to sea, from the rivers to the end of the land, shall blossom with the flowers of paradise. God is the promoter of missions! Is he or is he not? Will this enterprise fail in his hands? Do you think he will sacrifice so many thousands of his loved children, the very darlings of his heart, to an ignominious failure?

One more view in the first grade of Christ's cavalcade. It is the new pulpit. "Master, said the disciples, we saw one casting out devils in thy name and we forbade him because he followeth not with us." Human nature from the beginning has assumed that the prerogative of preaching the gospel belongs only to a privileged class of believers in Christ. The disciples gave the text of the law which has been incorporated into the jurisprudence of all corporate Christian bodies for eighteen centuries; and that law has been as irreversible as the laws of the Medes and Persians. No man dare cast out devils in the name of Jesus unless he bear the external marks of the particular disciple. It must be the papal mark, the episcopal mark, the presbyterial mark, the Lutherial mark, the baptismal mark, and even the methodistical mark. It is only in our day that the Master's command has been heeded by the denominations, "Forbid him not, for there is no man that shall do a miracle in my name that can lightly speak evil of me;" and the evangelical character of the age is patent in the fact that there is no ecclesiastical authority in existence that presumes to silence the man or woman who, without the denominational mark, casts out devils in the name of Jesus by preaching the gospel. In this nineteenth century of the Christian era the new pulpit has been set up and baptized with the Holy Spirit. Is there anything ominous in that? Unlike the old pulpit the new pulpit is movable, like a great cavalry leader whose headquarters is in his saddle; wherever there is an enemy there the new pulpit is set up, and the devils are becoming so confused and bewildered that they fall an easy prey to its ubiquitous prowess. Old ecclesiastical fogyism has long since ceased its lugubrious predictions of the failure of evangelism, or the destruction of the old order of things so long favored by divine providence. One of the wonders of the age is the harmonious working together of the old and the new pulpit? What is the grand result? The chief is, the tearing away of the partitions between the denominations, and letting them all into the same audience-room to worship and co-work with God. Who would have believed fifty years ago such a phenomenon possible?

Here we have a bird's-eye view only of the leaders of the grand cavalcade of the kingdom of Christ. How strikingly they resemble the "Faithful and True!" What crowns they are winning against the day of their triumphal procession through the archway into the established kingdom! When? How long, O Lord! how long? Now we review the great army following these leaders of the kingdom of Christ; and, as a cause, naturally connect it with the result we are interested in, the preaching of the gospel of the kingdom

in all the world. It is the business of the commanding general to find the enemy, and that of his corps to capture them. All through the territory of the Christian world, notwithstanding all the efforts of both the old and new pulpits, there remains, sitting in the region and shadow of death, a vast multitude for whom Christ died. Nearly a century ago the old pulpit made the discovery and gave the word of command. The battle-cry was sounded; the cavalry hosts, in their white uniform everywhere conspicuous, made the onset. They traversed the avenues and streets of the great cities, towns and villages. They penetrated their cellars, garrets and dens. They went everywhere through the country. They scattered the light of the kingdom, in Bibles, books and tracts; exhortations and prayers were heard in thousands of dark abodes. The result was, and still is, throngs of men, women and children issuing from the God-forsaken tenements, and crowding their way to the house of worship. This phase of the campaign is expanding. Where there was not long ago a solitary colporter, now there are thousands. Where a single copy of the Bible, book or tract distributed, now there are millions. These facts are so patent that they need not have been referred to only as a providential antecedent to the certain consummation. They follow the old pulpit to gather up the fragments, after the bread of life has been dispensed to hungry thousands, to distribute them to starving millions.

Again, in every well appointed army in free countries, enlisting officers are scattered through the community to increase the numbers and efficiency of the various corps. Coincident with other movements on foot not the least contributing to the final result, are the thousands of inviting rendezvous where our young men find retreats from the resorts of giddy pleasure and haunts of vice, and learn to know God, whom to know is life eternal. The Young Men's Christian Association is a moral force raised up by providence to do a work outside the pale of the old and new pulpit, and beyond the precincts of the colporter, and every year it is robbing the god of this world of his most promising material, and enrolling them under the banner of King Immanuel. In addition to all these effective forces, the Bar-Jonahs of the kingdom have learned by a long and sad experience that "Eternal vigilance is the price of freedom." Watchmen have been stationed on every hill-top, and scouting forces are kept on the move to give warning or hold the enemy in abeyance. Not many years ago the enemy in large numbers had free ingress and egress within our lines. They came as spies, as corrupters of morals, as death-dealers by poisons. In the very temple were set up the gambler's table, the libertine's boudoir, the inebriate's sideboard; and the pulpit and pew were infested by spirits entirely incompatible with the Spirit of God, and Christian households were dens of infernals. Worship was a mockery and genuine piety was a troubler only fit for the jail and the stocks. Some of our leaders wrote on their battle-flags, "Purity and Godliness." That was a new signal for a contest to the death; and now the battle is raging all along our lines. We need not pause to show that we are gaining ground. It is the Almighty's fight, and must prevail. The thousands of moral reformers, springing up in all the kingdoms of this world, and with wonderful unanimity and without jealousy rapidly relegating immorality in its various forms to the lake of oblivion,

thereby giving the gospel free course to run and be glorified, is a fact predictive of the coming glory.

Again, all along the ages it has required a vast expenditure of means, labor, and machinery to bring men and women to the knowledge of the gospel and to faith in Christ. For this reason evangelical Christianity has made but little headway among the masses of human beings to whom it was accessible. All this has been due to an apparently insignificant fact. Parents brought their children to Jesus that he might lay his hands on them and bless them. Human nature commanded, "Take them away." Jesus replied, no; they belong to the kingdom of heaven. True enough, answered human nature; they belong to the heavenly kingdom in the sense that should they die they would be saved. So the churches have been working on that line for nearly eighteen hundred years. But in this wondrous age of providential confluences to promote the gospel, live Bar-Jonahs have discovered the Saviour's meaning, "For of such is the kingdom of heaven;" as well as the intent of pious parents in asking Jesus to lay his hands on them and bless them. Children, by the provisions of grace, are innocent before the divine law. Their relation is equivalent to that of an adult penitent and justified sinner. The blessing of Jesus is needed only for their regeneration and sanctification. What then? The work of regeneration is not to be delayed until adult age but begun in infancy! Although the Sunday-school was not originated with that truth in mind, but rather to educate children in the truth preparatory to penitence and faith in maturer years, when they shall have become overt sinners, and thereby make the work of conversion comparatively easy; yet now, Sunday-school workers are beginning everywhere to look for the sanctification of the children before they shall need justification. When that shall be the universal order of work, to bring the little children to Jesus that he may lay his hands on them and bless them, the work of conversion will be exceedingly simple. Then it shall come to pass that "a nation shall be born in a day." What a grateful scene it must be to the Son of God, of tens of thousands of godly men and women and youth bringing tens of millions of little children to him that he may lay his hands on them and bless them!

Here, then, we have the rank and file of the grand army of the kingdom. The colporters, the young men saviours, the moral reformers, the Sunday-school workers—all actively engaged in every civilized community in promoting the gospel of the kingdom of Christ, a phenomenon most deeply interesting to the angels of God; but to us, perhaps, like the sun rising in glory, an incident so common that we fail to see in it the greatest wonder of the world, it is insignificant from our familiarity with it so that we fail to associate it with the glorious rising of the sun of righteousness.

There is one more factor in the problem of preaching the gospel in all the world. It is the toisonic horse. The Word of God and his army made war on white horses. Hear the Almighty on the white war horse! "His neck is clothed with thunder. The glory of his nostrils is terrible. He paweth the valley and rejoiceth in his strength. He goeth on to meet the armed men. He mocketh at fear; nor turneth he back from the sword; as the quiver ratteth against him, the glittering spear and shield, he swalloweth the ground

with fierceness and rage. He saith among the trumpets, Ha! ha! He sniffs the battle afar off; the thunder of the captains and the shoutings of the rushing hosts." The horse is just as essential to the cavalry service as he is grand. Of little avail without him would be the spear, the bow, the sword or the shield. He carries the trooper into the midst of the enemy to insure the victory. Do you see in this representative agent the connection between the workers in the gospel and their supporters? The horse, as a toison, belongs to the animal sphere. His counterpart reality is found in agents in civil life. Here we confront a fact far transcending in importance the mere pecuniary support of the gospel. Our workers, in promoting this gospel of the kingdom, want unobstructed routes to and through every country under heaven, at home and abroad. China, India, Japan, the various districts of Africa, South America, the Islands of the Sea, nominal Christian countries, even the eternal city, Rome, at the very gates of the Vatican. As mere propagators of Christianity they would be tolerated only so long as the nations do not understand their mission to be to disintegrate all other systems of religion and the assimilation of their votaries to Christianity. When their designs became fully developed they would be swept from the face of the earth. But coincident with this universal work, in divine providence, the real sovereign of China is not its emperor, but the head of a Christian government, the Queen of England, the President of the United States. The autocrat of old Rome is no longer the pope, but King Humbert, a promoter of a free government and a free gospel. Wherever the flags of free governments shall float there the gospel without question may be preached; and the flags of free governments will soon float on every sea on the globe.

We have now before us in clear view the vantage ground of our day for preaching this gospel of the kingdom in all the world—a combination of appliances, conditions, agencies and environments, all contributing to one grand result. Add the presence of the Holy Spirit, enthusing the operators, and making the gospel productive in the most barren soils, and who will undertake to say that the evidence that "Jesus is the Christ, the Son of the living God," will not be in, in due time, to all nations? Then cometh the end. The complete unity of the church of Christ. The kingdoms of this world become the kingdom of our Lord and its Christ. How? Make that apparent. The vastest changes in physical nature have been produced by causes entirely hidden from human view; and these changes have not been the effects directly designed in the causes. To-day you sail over a sea unobstructed by rocks or shoals. Next week you return by the same compass route, and an island lies across your path. The coral insect, in building itself a house, spontaneously formed this island. That is the reason it is there. In like manner, the great existing providential combination, for preaching the gospel in all the world, is effecting silent changes in the spirit of the ecclesiasticisms of the times—destroying bigotry, softening prejudice, promoting charity, rubbing out the larger lines of difference, narrowing the avenues of unity, creating the affection of a Christian brotherhood; so that every Christian begins to regard every other Christian a fellow-laborer here and fellow-heir to the inheritance hereafter; so that every church-member is ready to concede every

other church-member equal rights with himself; so that every church association begins to admit that all church associations have a common head, Christ, and all their adherents are brethren. I affirm that these changes are taking place. We may not perceive them from day to day or from year to year; but in a decade of years they are patent; like the motion of the moon rising from the horizon, which is perceptible as you mark its shadow from point to point. The unity of the church of Christ, although "born out of due time," is living, growing, maturing, and ere long, like a mighty giant, will raise the wand, and, of the kingdoms of this world, some will dissolve and disappear, while others will move up closer and closer to Christ's kingdom, be cemented to it by "the love of God shed abroad in the hearts of the people by the Holy Ghost that is given unto them;" and there shall be one kingdom, one king, one people, the "blessed Bar-Jonahs."

MANUAL.

RULES OF ORDER

FOR THE

GOVERNMENT OF THE MARYLAND ANNUAL CONFERENCE.

ORGANIZATION OF CONFERENCE.

1. Pastors shall send to the Secretary of the Annual Conference the certificate of election of the delegate or delegates to the Annual Conference immediately after the election of the same.
2. The Secretary shall make a list of the delegates so certified, omitting all contested cases; and this list, together with the list of the ministerial members, shall constitute the roll of Conference upon which the Conference shall organize.
3. Immediately after the reading of this roll, the President shall appoint a Committee on Credentials, consisting of three laymen and two ministers, to whom the Secretary shall hand all certificates, and who shall also consider and report upon all contested cases.

OFFICERS OF THE CONFERENCE.

RULE I.

Duties of the President.

1. To take the chair precisely at the hour agreed on at the last adjournment.
2. Preserve the most rigid order, and confine the members to the subject under consideration.
3. Not allow improper personalities, nor reflections upon any religious communities.
4. Announce each person rising to speak, so soon as he shall have addressed the chair, by declaring him "The minister from —," or "The delegate from —."
5. State a question sitting, but stand when the question is put and taken; also when he states a point of order; and also when he makes any formal communication to the Conference.
6. Is not allowed to vote when a question is taken, unless there be a tie; but he may vote in cases of ballot.
7. May call any member to the chair, when he wishes to participate in debate, or for other purposes; but such person shall not be entitled to the chair after an adjournment.

RULE II.

Duties of Secretary.

1. To perform such duties as are usually required of the Secretary of a deliberative body. And also,
2. Have charge of all the papers belonging to the Conference, and be accountable for them.

3. Be in his place precisely at the hour agreed on at the last adjournment.
4. Keep an accurate list of the members of the Conference.
5. Keep correct minutes of the proceedings of Conference.
6. Keep a list of business, on which he shall record all business brought before the Conference, and in the order of its presentation.
7. Keep a list of committees, on which he shall record, *First*, The standing committees, in the order of their arrangement in these rules; and *Second*, All other committees that may be appointed, and in the order of their appointment.
8. Keep a correct list of the Circuits and Stations, to be used as occasion may require.
9. Be the Committee on Publication of the Minutes.
10. Supply the pastors with blanks.

COMMITTEES

RULE III.

All committees shall be appointed by the President, except otherwise directed in the Book of Discipline, or by special vote of the Conference.

RULE IV.

Standing Committees.

1. On Unfinished Business, 1 Minister, 2 Laymen.
2. Finance, 3 Ministers, 2 Laymen
3. Itinerancy and Orders, the Faculty of Instruction.
4. Boundaries, 7 Laymen.
5. Publication of Minutes, the Secretary.
6. Pulpit Services, 3 Ministers
7. Home Missions, 3 Ministers, 3 Laymen.
8. Superannuates, 3 Ministers, 3 Laymen.
9. Literature, 3 Ministers, 3 Laymen.
10. Sabbath Schools, 3 Ministers, 2 Laymen.
11. Temperance, 3 Ministers, 2 Laymen.
12. Benevolent Agencies, 3 Ministers, 2 Laymen.
13. Fraternal Relations, 3 Ministers, 2 Laymen.
14. Official Character, 3 Ministers, 2 Laymen.
15. Statistics, 1 Minister, 1 Layman.
16. Obituaries, 3 Ministers, 3 Laymen. This committee not to be appointed until the death of some minister requires it.
17. Education, 3 Ministers, 2 Laymen.
18. Foreign Missions, 3 Ministers, 2 Laymen.
19. President's Report.
20. Sabbath Observance.
21. General Home Missions, 3 ministers, 2 laymen.

RULE V.

Any person being a member of two committees, shall have the right to decline an appointment to another.

MOTIONS.

RULE VI.

Every motion shall be written, signed, and read aloud by the mover, handed to the chair, and read aloud by the Secretary, before any order can be taken upon it by the Conference: except motions for amendment, to lie on the table, the previous question, or to adjourn.

RULE VII.

Any motion may be divided, if the sense will admit of the proposed division.

RULE VIII.

No proposition to amend, that amounts to a substitute, shall be entertained.

RULE IX.

When a question is under debate, no motion shall be received, but to adjourn, to lie on the table, for the previous question, to commit or to amend: which several motions shall have precedence in the order in which they stand in this rule; the *first three* to be taken without debate; and the *first* always in order. But when the report of a committee has been under discussion, the motion to lay on the table shall not prevail until the chairman of the committee shall have been heard once on the subject, if he desires to speak.

RULE X.

The question under discussion shall be put whenever a call for it is made by five brethren, and sustained by a majority of the Conference.

RULE XI.

When motions are made for reference of the same subject to a select committee, and to a standing committee, the question on reference to the standing committee shall be first put.

RULE XII.

No motion to commit, or to lie on the table, being decided, shall be again allowed on the same day, and at the same stage of the proposition.

RULE XIII.

No motion, after it is seconded, shall be withdrawn without leave.

RULE XIV.

No amendment shall be in order, farther than an amendment to the amendment.

RULE XV.

In filling up blanks, the largest sum and longest time shall be first put.

DECORUM.

RULE XVI.

When a member desires to present any business, or to speak to any question he shall rise and address the chair, "Brother President," and then pause until he is announced to the Conference; after which he may proceed, addressing the chair, and restricting his remarks to the subject before the Conference.

RULE XVII.

If two or more members rise at the same time, the President shall determine which of them is entitled to the floor.

RULE XVIII.

No interruption shall be allowed, while a member is addressing the chair, except a call to order by the President or by a member.

RULE XIX.

When a member is called to order, he shall take his seat immediately, and be silent, until the President or member who made the call shall state the rule of order supposed to be infringed; after which the member called to order shall have the right to explain, and the President shall decide.

RULE XX.

In deciding a question of order, the President shall restrict himself to the rules of order, and any member declared to be out of order by the President, may, if he obtain a second, appeal to the Conference, but the question on such

appeal shall be taken without debate. If the Conference sustain the chair, the member shall be allowed to proceed only in order.

RULE XXI.

No member shall speak oftener than twice to the same question, without special leave of Conference; nor longer than fifteen minutes at any one time, unless by the same special permission.

RULE XXII.

No member shall be allowed to explain remarks made in a previous speech, except in regular debate, unless the member replying thereto request it, or unless another member requires it; but any member so called upon to explain, shall have the right to decline any explanation.

RULE XXIII.

Any member shall have the right to call for the reading of the subject under consideration.

RULE XXIV.

Every member shall be in attendance upon the first day's session, unless unavoidably detained.

RULE XXV.

After the affirmative of a question has been put, any member who has not spoken before to the question may rise and speak before the negative be put.

RULE XXVI.

A member may change his vote at any time before the Chair announces the decision of the question.

ORDER OF BUSINESS FOR THE ANNUAL SESSION:

RULE XXVII.

At nine o'clock A. M., on the day to which the Conference adjourned from the last annual session, the President shall open the Conference by reading a portion of the Word of God, singing and prayer.

RULE XXVIII.

The examination of official character shall be next in order, and in the following manner:

1. Examination of the President. The President shall call another minister to the chair and read his annual report. The Chairman shall then address the Conference thus: "Brethren, you have heard the report of the President; shall his character pass?" In case of any charge against the official character of the President, it shall be handed to the Standing District Committee, and the chairman of that committee shall answer the question, "Shall his character pass?"

2. Examination of other ministers. The roll shall then be called, including the Dead Roll, and after the election of the Conference officers pastors shall deposit their reports, and the collections prescribed by the Conference, each in a sealed envelope, upon which shall be marked the amount, the name of the collection, the name of the pastor; and the name of the charge, in the box of the Conference Steward. The reports, and all charges against official character, shall be handed to the Committee on Official Character. Pastors whose official reports are defective in any point shall be summoned before the committee to explain, and only those cases in which explanations may be unsatisfactory to the committee shall be reported to the Conference; and the characters of all ministers whose names are not reported shall be considered passed. In the event of the death of any member of this Conference, the President shall appoint some member to formally announce

the fact to the Conference, and such announcement shall be made when the name of the deceased is reached in the calling of the Conference Roll; and the name shall then, on motion, be transferred to the Dead Roll by the Secretary in the presence of the Conference, and when the name is reached on the Dead Roll, an order of the day shall be named for memorial services for the deceased.

RULE XXIX.

At eleven o'clock the President, or his substitute, shall preach an appropriate discourse, and in the evening the Lord's Supper shall be administered.

RULE XXX.

1. The President for the ensuing year shall be elected, by ballot, on the first day of the session, at two and a-half o'clock, P. M.
2. The Secretary shall be elected immediately after the election of President; and the Stewards, viz.: The Conference Steward, the Home Missionary Steward, the Superannuated Fund Steward, and the Home and Foreign Missionary Steward, immediately after the election of the Secretary.

RULE XXXI.

The Standing District Committee shall be elected by ballot, immediately after the election of the Stewards. This Committee consists of three elders, one of whom must be unstationed, and three laymen.

RULE XXXII.

The Committee of Appeals shall be elected by ballot, immediately after the election of the Standing District Committee—three ministers, two laymen.

RULE XXXIII.

In balloting, blanks shall be rejected and not reported by the tellers.

ORDER OF BUSINESS FOR THE DIURNAL SESSIONS.

RULE XXXIV.

The Conference shall be opened each day by reading the Scriptures, singing a hymn, and prayer. The last half hour of each morning session shall be spent in devotional exercises.

RULE XXXV.

The reading of the minutes of the preceding day for correction shall be first in order.

RULE XXXVI.

The business next in order shall be the Reports of Committees, called for in the order in which they stand on the List of Committees. They shall not report at any other time without special leave.

RULE XXXVII.

The names of the several Circuits and Stations shall then be called, in the order in which they stand on the List of Circuits and Stations, for any business to be laid before the Conference; when the Delegate from the Circuit or Station called may present any business, and it shall be recorded, without debate, on the List of Business.

RULE XXXVIII.

When any business is laid on the table, it may be made the order of the day for any other day of the session, and at a specific hour.

RULE XXXIX.

Unfinished business from the last annual session shall have precedence of all business except the order of the day.

RULE XL.

Ordinary business shall have precedence in the order in which it stands on the List of Business.

RULE XLI.

When any business is taken into consideration, it shall not be interrupted by any other business (except the order of the day), nor by adjournment.

RULES OF ADMINISTRATION.

Duties of the President.

1. The President shall appoint the speakers who shall address the Superannuated Fund and Missionary Societies at the ensuing Annual Conference; and Friday and Monday evenings are set apart for the public meetings, the anniversaries to alternate in the order of their occurrence.
2. The Stationing Authority is vested in the President of the Conference.
3. It shall be the duty of the President to fill blanks in statistical reports for all charges unsupplied.
4. In the event of the death of any ministerial member, the President shall immediately appoint an Obituary Committee from any number of the most intimate acquaintances of the deceased.
5. The President shall have a claim on the Missionary Collection for his deficiency on Missions.
6. The failure of the President to visit any charge does not vitiate his right to the amount assessed for his salary.
7. The President shall represent the interests of the Home Missionary Society, and shall press its claims in such manner and at such times as in his judgment may be necessary to secure the entire assessment.

DUTIES OF STEWARDS

1. The Conference Steward, Home Missionary Steward, Superannuated Fund Steward and Home and Foreign Missionary Steward, shall constitute a Conference Board of Stewards, to whom the Secretary shall hand all reports and collections as received from pastors.
2. The Board of Stewards shall meet immediately after their election and open the envelopes containing the various collections, count the money enclosed, noting its agreement with the statement on the official report and on the envelope, and prepare a report of collections to the Conference. The money in hand shall then be passed to the persons designated by the Conference to receive it, and the reports to the Committee on Official Reports.
3. Other duties belonging to the several Stewards shall be performed and reported upon separately as now.

DUTIES OF PASTORS.

1. Every pastor is required to lift at each appointment of his charge a collection, which shall be known as the Conference Incidental Collection, the object of which is to defray Conference expenses, including the publication of the Minutes of the Conference, the Minutes to be furnished to the congregations contributing at the lowest possible rates.
2. It is the duty of pastors to examine and see that suitable deeds be had for all our churches, so as to secure them to the Methodist Protestant Church, and, wherever possible, have them incorporated.
3. Pastors are required to apportion the President's salary equitably among the several appointments, and use their utmost endeavors to collect the same before the annual visit of the President.
4. Pastors are required to see that the families belonging to their respective charges are duly supplied with the Catechism of our Church.

5. Pastors are instructed to ascertain of those received into the church whether they have been baptized, and, if not, to administer the ordinance of baptism without unnecessary delay.

6. Every pastor is required to do his utmost to collect the full amount of the assessments made upon his charge, whatever may be the difficulties that he may encounter.

7. It is the duty of the pastor to preside on the trial of an accused unstationed minister or preacher.

8. Pastors are required to report to the Annual Conference the amounts contributed to Foreign missions by the auxiliaries of Woman's F. M. Societies, and due credit shall be given in the Minutes.

SUFFRAGE AND ELIGIBILITY.

1st. Every minister, preacher and member in full communion and fellowship, having attained the age of twenty-one years, shall be entitled to vote in all cases.

2d. All members in full communion and fellowship shall have the right to vote in the election of their class-leaders; and those who have attained the age of twenty-one years shall be "qualified members" for the purposes indicated in Section 3 of Article IV. of Constitution, and in divisions 1 and 4 of "General Duties of Trustees," found on pages 109 and 110 of Discipline.

3d. Every minister, preacher and lay male member in full communion and fellowship, having attained the age of twenty-five years, shall be eligible as a representative in the General Conference.

4th. Every male member in full communion and fellowship, having attained the age of twenty-one years, shall be eligible as a steward and as a trustee, and also as a delegate to the Annual Conference.

5th. No minister shall be eligible to the office of President of the Annual Conference until he shall have faithfully exercised the office of elder two years.

ADMINISTERING ORDINANCES.

No person, in virtue merely of a license to preach, or even election to orders, is empowered to administer, or assist in administering, the Christian ordinances.

UNSTATIONED MINISTERS.

The Conference will not recognize as a minister of the Methodist Protestant Church any man who does not bring credentials from some other orthodox denomination, or who has not received suitable testimonials of ministerial character from our own Church. In returning the list of ministers and preachers, pastors shall name no person who does not possess the foregoing qualification.

LOTTERIES.

The practice of raising funds for church purposes, by means of lotteries and other games of hazard, is disapproved by the Conference, and pastors are enjoined to discountenance their use.

MORTGAGING CHURCH PROPERTY.

The Conference disapproves of the practice of mortgaging church property for the purpose of paying pastor's salary, directly or indirectly.

OBITUARIES.

1. It shall be the duty of the Committee, appointed in accordance with the rule of Conference, to prepare an obituary, without delay, containing a notice

of the place and date of the birth of the brother, the date of his conversion, receiving license to preach, and his reception into the Conference, together with any other important facts connected with his history which their judgment may dictate, in addition to the particulars of his death, and said obituary shall at once be forwarded to THE METHODIST PROTESTANT for publication, and be reported to the ensuing session of Conference.

2. Every ministerial member of this Conference is hereby requested to make and keep by him a record of his nativity, and of all the prominent facts in his Christian and ministerial history.

MOTIONS TO FIX TIME AND PLACE.

All motions to fix time and place of the meeting of the Annual Conference shall lie on the table twenty-four hours.

MARRIAGES.

The Conference cannot encourage any of its members to expect support as married men until they shall have served at least four years in the itinerancy.

CAMP MEETINGS.

Camp-Meetings shall have the sanction of Conference and receive ministerial aid from it on the following conditions:

1. There shall be no traffic on the Lord's day on the camp-ground, or the adjacent territory protected by the laws of the State.
2. The managers or other officers of the camp meeting, shall not bargain for or receive any portion of the money paid to railroads, or the owner or owners of any conveyance or conveyances, as a consideration for conveying persons to the camp ground, or the vicinity thereof, on the Lord's day.
3. Faithful efforts shall be made by the official members of the church and all persons having authority at camp-meetings, to maintain the due observance of the Lord's day.
4. No advertisement of the running of trains on the Lord's day shall be made by any of the persons referred to in the preceding paragraphs, nor shall anything be done by their authority or solicitation to contravene the foregoing regulations.
5. Quarterly Conferences, or associations recognized by this Conference, shall deliver to the President, at least four weeks before the time appointed for said meetings, a written pledge, duly attested, that the foregoing regulations shall be observed in good faith.
6. The President shall have no authority to assign ministers for service at camp-meetings, until he shall have received the written pledge as above described; nor shall any camp meeting held in contravention of these regulations be recognized as a camp-meeting of the Methodist Protestant Church.

MISSIONARY REGULATIONS.

1. Contributions for Home Missions shall be sent to the Treasurer of the Missionary Society, that he may disburse the funds to the missionaries according to their various claims.
2. Pastors are instructed to have the missionary collections in the hands of the Treasurer by the end of the second quarter of the Conference year.
3. The Committee on Missions shall ascertain what amount of funds may be regarded as available for missionary purposes the ensuing year.
4. Appropriations shall not exceed the amount which may reasonably be expected from collections and interest on legacies.
5. The Missionary Society of this Conference shall elect seven Trustees for each mission, who shall hold all the property on our mission fields in trust for said Society, and yearly thereafter select a new Board of Trustees as long

as the mission relation is sustained. But whenever the mission shall become a circuit or station, the "qualified members," at a meeting regularly called for the purpose, shall have power to elect their own Trustees, to whom the Trustees, appointed by the Missionary Society, shall surrender the church property, together with the books, papers, or other valuables held by them as Trustees.

6. When any number of the members of any of our missions shall, through disaffection or from other causes, form themselves into classes, withhold themselves from the means of grace, or suffer themselves to be led by those who refuse to attend the official meetings of the church, or shall in any other way walk disorderly, on a charge being brought against such person or persons, the missionary shall see that the accused are tried according to Discipline, page 32. But should the class, of which the accused is a member, refuse or neglect to select two of their number to serve on the committee of trial, then the missionary shall fill the committee by having them selected from any other class in the mission, or from an adjoining station or circuit, as he may think proper; and should the accused be found guilty, he, she or they shall be suspended or expelled, as the committee may direct. And should an entire class or society become refractory, the missionary shall be authorized to select them according to the provision on page 41 of the Discipline; *provided, however*, that the person convicted shall in this, and in all cases where the trial is by jury, have an appeal to the Quarterly Conference next ensuing, whose decision shall be final.

7. Missions shall hold Quarterly Conferences.

8. When a charge is preferred against any member of the church, the missionary shall see that the accused is tried in accordance with the regulations of the Discipline, page 32.

9. Any mission having a missionary shall be entitled to one delegate to the Annual Conference, provided the missionary have a seat, who shall be elected by the qualified members of the mission, at least two weeks preceding the session of the Annual Conference.

10. No member of the Methodist Protestant Church shall hold membership in a mission and station at the same time.

11. Until a class is formed in a mission, the missionary shall have authority to receive probationers into full membership.

12. The missionary in charge is invested with authority to receive or reject applications for membership, as he in his judgment may deem most conducive to the welfare of the mission.

13. When a mission becomes a circuit or station, the property must be so transferred to the trustees elected by the qualified members, as to secure it to the Methodist Protestant Church.

14. The Board of Managers of the Home Missionary Society is empowered to appoint or dismiss trustees in missions during the recess of Conference.

15. All qualified members shall be entitled to vote for stewards in missions.

16. The Society shall pay the travelling expenses of such members of the Board of Managers as do not reside in the city.

17. The Board of Managers has full power to act on all matters pertaining to the Missionary Society in the interim of Conference.

SUPERANNUATED FUND REGULATIONS.

1. The Committee on Superannuated Claimants shall report to Conference all those names which, in its judgment, properly belong to the Superannuated list.
2. The committee, after ascertaining the amount needed, is authorized to assess the amount on the different charges on the basis of the President's salary.
3. The two interests, the collections for Superannuates and the interest on

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