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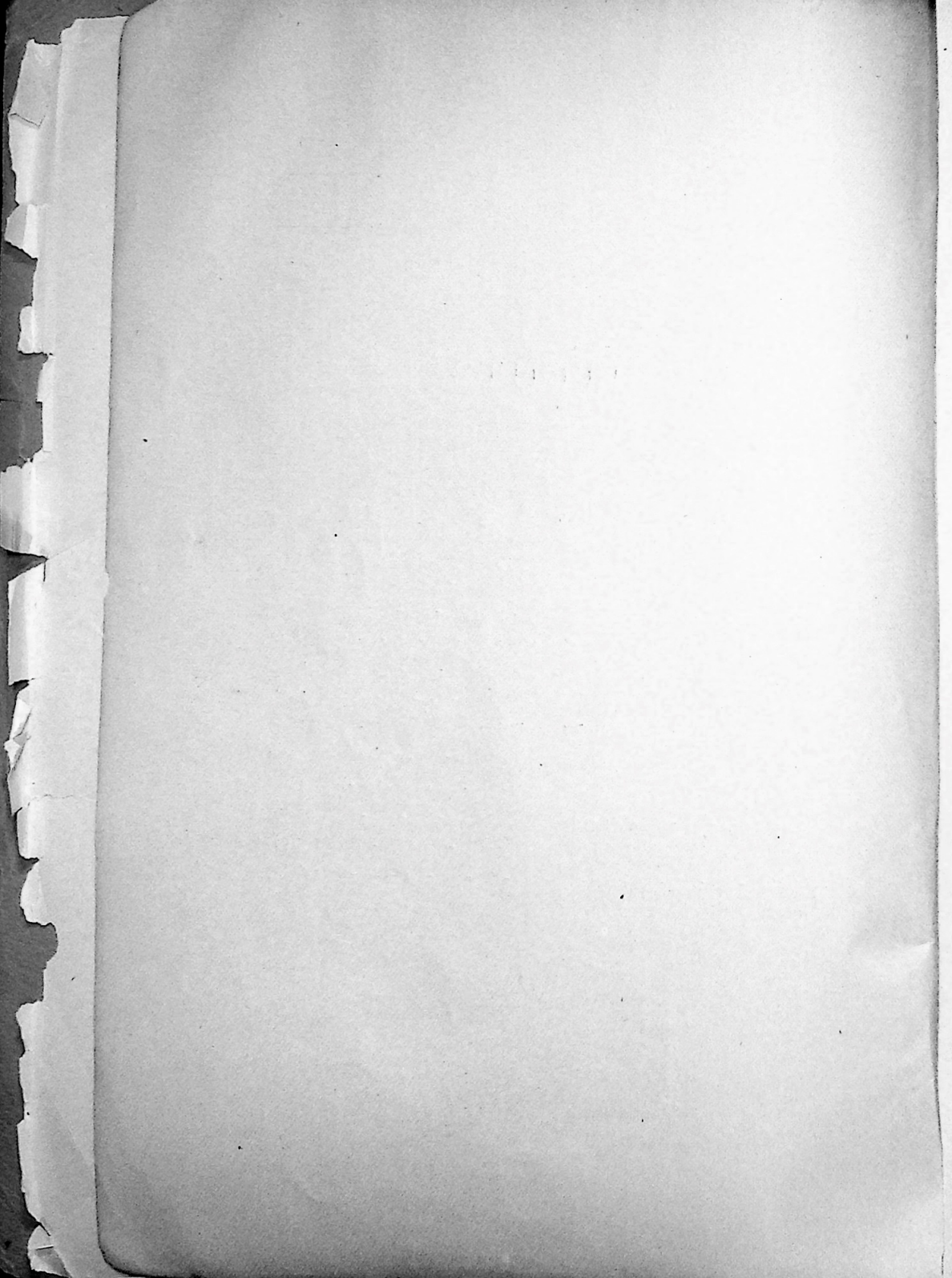
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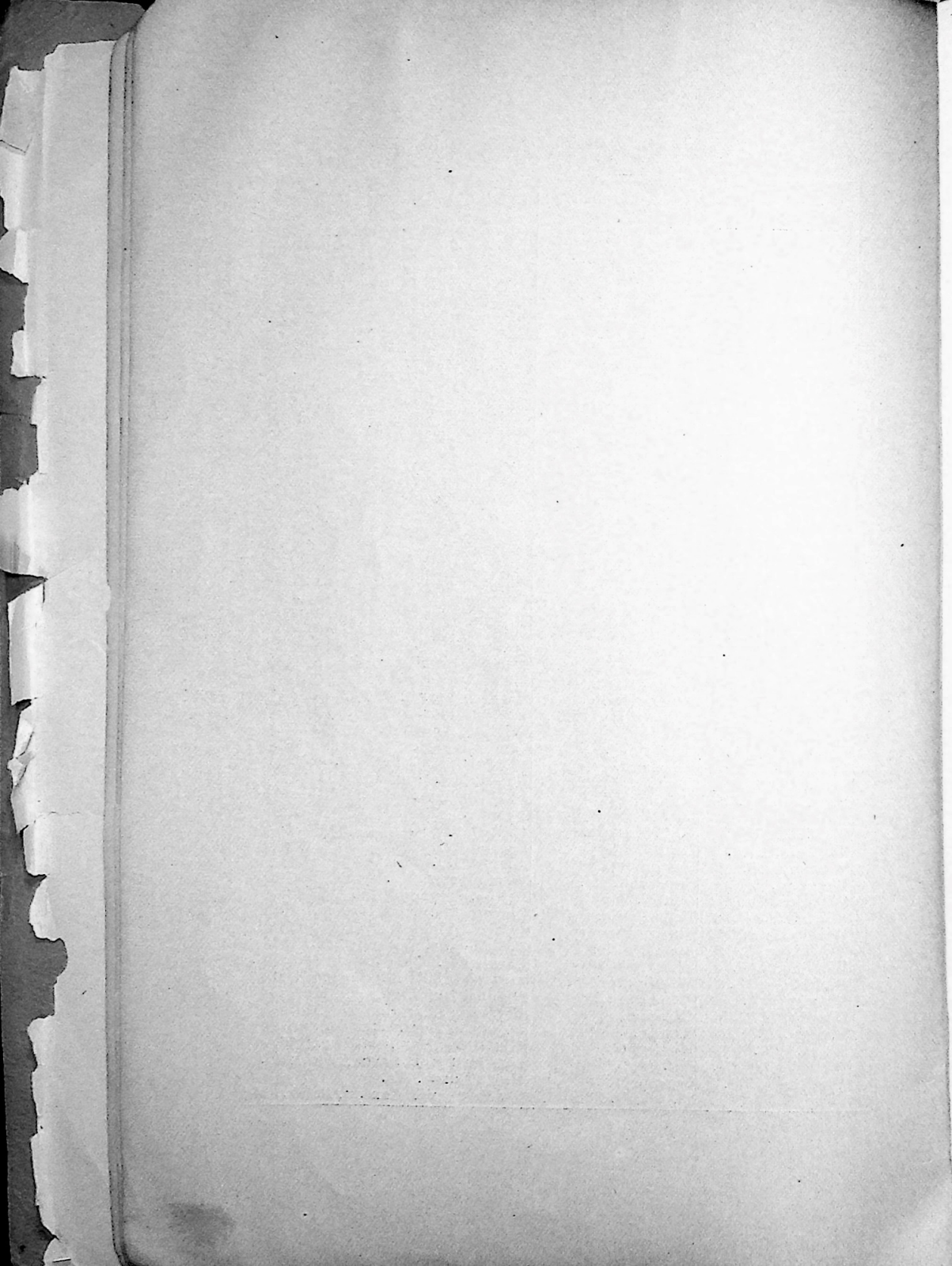


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146	Wright, T. H.	Caroline,	Burrsville, Caroline co., Md.
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ROLL OF THE SEVENTY-THIRD CONFERENCE.

MINISTERS AND PREACHERS.

Reg.		Rec'd	Ord'd	Reg.		Rec'd	Ord'd
79	S. B. Southerland.....	1841	1843	275	G. R. McCready.....	1880	1883
86	J. J. Murray.....	1842	1845	278	J. S. Bowers.....	1881	1884
121	David Wilson.....	1845	1847	279	J. W. Balderston.....	1881	1883
132	Jesse Shreeve.....	1847	1849	280	J. E. Nicholson.....	1881	1885
140	E. J. Drinkhouse.....	1850	1852	282	J. M. Gill.....	1882	1885
142	W. S. Hammond.....	1851	1853	284	S. F. Cassen.....	1883	1886
147	C. H. Littleton.....	1852	1853	285	J. H. Daugherty.....	1883	1884
149	H. C. Cushing.....	1853	1853	281	E. O. Ewing.....	1884	Tr.
155	A. D. Dick.....	1854	1856	286	E. A. Warfield.....	1884	1886
163	B. F. Benson.....	1857	1859	287	J. W. Norris.....	1884	1886
164	W. M. Strayer.....	1858	1860	292	J. W. Kirk.....	1885	1886
167	J. E. Maloy.....	1859	1861	293	B. W. Kindley.....	1885	1887
168	J. E. T. Ewell.....	1859	1860	294	H. L. Elderdice.....	1885	1885
169	S. A. Hoblitzell.....	1859	1860	296	F. T. Benson.....	1886	1887
175	J. L. Mills.....	1860	1862	298	Elmer Simpson.....	1886	1887
180	J. W. Gray.....	1861	1863	299	J. F. Wooden.....	1886	1889
182	J. B. Jones.....	1861	1862	300	B. F. Jester.....	1886	1886
190	J. D. Kinzer.....	1863	1865	301	G. D. Edmondston.....	1886	1868
192	W. D. Litsinger.....	1863	1865	302	B. P. Pruitt.....	1887	1889
198	R. S. Rowe.....	1865	1865	304	E. H. Van Dyke.....	1887	1889
200	J. M. Holmes.....	1865	1867	305	G. W. Haddaway.....	1888	1890
204	A. W. Mather.....	1866	1868	308	H. W. D. Johnson.....	1888	1891
206	J. T. Lassell.....	1866	1866	309	J. H. S. Ewell.....	1889	1891
209	D. L. Greenfield.....	1868	1870	310	G. R. Hodges.....	1889	1891
218	J. L. Straughn.....	1870	1872	312	W. S. Phillips.....	1889	1892
225	F. T. Tagg.....	1870	1871	314	C. E. McCullough.....	1889	1891
226	W. A. Crouse.....	1870	1870	315	W. M. Poisal.....	1889	1864
228	W. J. Neepier.....	1871	1873	316	H. S. Johnson.....	1890	1892
230	A. A. Harryman.....	1871	1873	321	Robt. K. Lewis.....	1891	1893
231	W. J. Floyd.....	1871	1871	322	L. F. Warner.....	1891	1893
232	J. G. Sullivan.....	1871	1873	323	J. W. Parris.....	1891	1891
236	A. D. Melvin.....	1872	1874	324	Avery Donovan.....	1891	1892
237	F. T. Little.....	1872	1873	325	S. W. Coe.....	1891	Tr.
238	S. B. Tredway.....	1872	1874	326	Dorsey Blake.....	1892	1893
239	T. O. Crouse.....	1872	1874	327	L. A. Bennett.....	1892	1892
240	J. M. Yingling.....	1873	1875	328	C. M. Cullum.....	1892	1893
241	W. R. Graham.....	1873	1874	329	G. R. Donaldson.....	1892	1895
242	W. J. D. Lucas.....	1873	1876	330	E. S. Fooks.....	1892	1894
244	G. F. Farrang.....	1873	1876	331	Alonzo Green.....	1892	1894
245	F. H. Mullineaux.....	1873	1876	333	F. H. Lewis.....	1892	1893
246	J. A. Weigand.....	1874	1876	334	C. K. McCaslin.....	1892	1893
249	G. O. Bacchus.....	1874	1877	336	Louis Randall.....	1892	1894
252	W. W. White.....	1875	1878	337	E. B. Taylor.....	1892	1894
253	C. S. Arnett.....	1875	1878	338	J. A. Wright.....	1892	1892
254	J. M. Sheridan.....	1875	1877	339	Geo. M. Clayton.....	1893	1896
261	T. H. Lewis.....	1876	1876	340	J. McLain Brown.....	1893	1894
262	J. W. Trout.....	1876	1879	341	Geo. W. Hines.....	1893	1896
265	S. J. Smith.....	1877	1881	342	W. B. Judefind.....	1893	1896
270	D. W. Anstine.....	1879	1882	343	Eug. C. Makosky.....	1893	1895
271	F. C. Klein.....	1879	1881	344	Chas. P. Nowlin.....	1893	1895
274	J. L. Elderdice.....	1880	1883	345	Thos. P. Revelle.....	1893	1895

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Reg.		Rec'd.	Ord'd.	Reg.		Rec'd.	Ord'd.
346	George L. Wolfe.....	1893	1895	369	C. L. Daugherty.....	1897	1899
347	A. S. Beane.....	1893	1891	371	Edgar T. Read.....	1897	1899
348	Geo. J. Hill.....	1894	1894	372	J. L. Ward.....	1897	1899
349	W. H. Litsinger.....	1894	1896	373	A. A. Bichell.....	1898	1899
350	Henry E. Nelson.....	1894	1896	374	J. M. Dickey.....	1898	1900
353	T. H. Wright.....	1895	1896	375	Henry Clay Hall....	1899	.....
354	H. L. Schlincke.....	1895	1897	376	Chas. Melvin Zepp..	1899	1900
355	F. L. Stevens.....	1895	1897	377	Benjamin F. Ruley..	1899	1900
356	Chas. F. Dryden....	1895	1897	378	Hammond S. Leas..	1899	1900
357	A. Norman Ward....	1895	1897	379	Thos. R. Woodford..	1899	1900
358	John F. Bryan.....	1896	1897	380	Geo. Edwin Brown..	1899	.....
359	Frank A. Holland....	1896	1897	381	Edward P. Perry....	1900	.....
360	H. E. Bennington...	1896	1896	382	W. R. Sherwood....	1900	.....
361	Herbert F. Wright..	1896	1897	383	Fred'k J. Phillips..	1900	.....
362	Frank S. Cain.....	1895	1898	384	E. H. Jones.....	1900	.....
363	George A. Morris....	1895	1898	385	C. M. Compier.....	1900	.....
364	Howard O. Keen....	1895	1898	386	James L. Nichols....	1900	.....
365	Nicholas O. Gibson..	1896	1898	387	Clarence Baker.....	1901	.....
366	Edward D. Stone....	1896	1898	388	James H. Straughn..	1901	.....
367	Wm A. Melvin.....	1897	1898	389	Roscoe Strausberg..	1901
368	G. H. Stocksedale....	1896	1899	390	Thomas Wheeler....	1901

LAYMEN.

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Kennedyville.....	Wm. J. Hurlook.	Starr.....	Geo. H. Winbigler
Kent Island.....	Peter Cockey.	Stewardstown.....	J. R. Strawbridge
Indian River.....		St. James'.....	Robert G. Nicholson.
Laurel.....	John H. Elliott.	St. John's, Canton.....	Frederick R. Keyser.
Lawsonia.....	Benj. F. Sterling.	St. Luke's.....	John A. Buchanan
Leipsic.....	John Fennimore.	St. Michael's.....	G. Edw. Wrightson
Lewistown.....	Lawson A. Dubel	Susquehanna.....	John M. Macklen.
Liberty.....	Edgar A. Burrall.	Sussex.....	Wm. B. Gordy.
Lisbon.....	Joshua N. Warfield	Talbot.....	R. R. Butler.
Lynchburg.....	E. W. Roby.	Trinity.....	C. L. Whittington.
Mardela.....	J. A. Phillips.	Union.....	Samuel J. Cooper
Mariners.....	James Wilson.	Union Bridge.....	Charles F. Myers
Middleway.....	W. E. Outcalt.	Violettsville.....	Henry Schafer.
Millville.....	Elisha C. Dukes.	Waltersville.....	Isaac W. Roberts.
Milton.....	John Cannay.	Warwick.....	W. H. Spry.
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Newark.....	Gaven Spence.	Williamsport.....	S. C. Ditto.
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Nichols Memorial.....	Carlos M. Murray	West Wilmington.....	Charles W. Sanders.
North Baltimore.....	T. W. Donoho.	Wicomico.....	Oscar M. Whaley.
N. Carolina Ave.....	John G. Rockwood	Wye.....	James H. Carter.
Oak Grove.....	W. W. Hargrove.		
Oxford.....	Aubrey Cox.		
Parksley.....	H. T. Mason.		
Patapsco.....	Calvin M. Babylon		

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Central	Oliver Cox.....	
	G. W. Honey.....	
Chesapeake.....		Arlington L. Judefind.
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Cumberland.....		Daniel W. Sinder.
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Denton		
Fairfax	E. W. Wakefield.....	
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Trinity.....	E. E. Tarr.
Union.....	John T. Bailey.
Warwick.....	Frank Clift.
Waverly.....	Jos. S. Wheeler.
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.....	Chas. Billingslea.
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15. PRESIDENT'S REPORT—W. S. Phillips, E. B. Taylor, E. W. Roby.
16. OBITUARIES—J. D. Kinzer, J. J. Murray, H. L. Elderdice, F. H. Mullineaux, S. A. Hoblitzell, G. R. McCready.
17. SABBATH OBSERVANCE—J. M. Yingling, J. W. Parris, J. A. Wright, John E. DeFord, W. E. Outcalt.
18. CREDENTIALS—J. E. Nicholson, J. E. Englar, C. L. Whittington,
19. CHRISTIAN ENDEAVOR—A. N. Ward, J. F. Bryan, F. A. Holland, John G. Rockwood, Winchester Knox, W. W. Hargrove.
20. PUBLICATION OF MINUTES—Secretary of Conference, F. T. Little, F. T. Tagg.
21. TRANSPORTATION—F. T. Little.
22. CHURCH ENTERPRISES—J. E. T. Ewell, Avery Donovan, G. R. McCready, W. E. Shepperd, G. H. Winbigler, Isaac Crowther.

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To Confer With Committees From Other Denominations on Sabbath Desecrations—W. S. Hammond.

Committee to Consider Certain Eliminations from Printed Minutes—Dorsey Blake, F. T. Little, H. L. Schlincke, C. E. Dryden.

On Rental Value of Parsonages—J. D. Kinzer, J. M. Holmes, J. H. S. Ewell, O. M. Ong, B. T. Truitt.

To Collect Balance of Subscriptions on North Carolina Avenue Church—C. P. Nowlin.

To push claim of Mt. Olivet Church before Congress—A. D. Melvin, Daniel Baker, J. N. Warfield.

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Preparatory Course.

- W. S. HAMMOND—Binney's Theological Compend.
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English Grammar.
Conference Official Reports.
W. M. STRAYER—Smith's Smaller Scripture History.
J. L. MILLS—Miller's Clerical Habits and Manners.
Merrill's Doctrinal Aspects of Christian Experience.
S. B. SOUTHERLAND—Constitution and Discipline of the M. P. Church.

First Year's Class.

- T. H. LEWIS—Fisher's Manual of Christian Evidences.
Miley's Theology, vol. I to page 155.
D. L. GREENFIELD—Broadus', Preparation and Delivery of Sermons.
A written Sermon submitted February 1st.
J. M. HOLMES—Nicholl's Help to the Study of the Bible.
J. W. GRAY—Drinkhouse's History of Methodist Reform, vol. I.
Students—G. E. Brown, C. C. Baker, H. C. Hall, Frederick Phillips,
James H. Straughn, Roscoe Strausberg, E. H. Jones, Thomas Wheeler and
E. P. Perry, in Theology.

Second Year's Class.

- H. C. CUSHING—Miley's Theology, vol. I, page 155 to end.
S. B. TREDWAY—Barrow's Sacred Geography and Antiquities.
W. M. STRAYER—Fisher's Church History. (Complete.)
J. E. MALOY—Drinkhouse's History of Methodist Reform, vol. II.
D. L. GREENFIELD—A written Sermon submitted February 1st.
Students—C. M. Compher, J. L. Nichols, Richard Shipley.

Third Year's Class.

- B. F. BENSON—Miley's Theology, vol. II. A written Sermon submitted
by January 1st.
J. S. BOWERS—Foster's Supernatural Book.
A. W. MATHER—Miller's Christian Ministry.
The following books are to be read by the class and a
written syllabus presented to the examiners at the time indicated.
B. F. BENSON—Vincent's Modern Sunday-School, submitted August 1st.
J. S. BOWERS—Peck's The Revival and the Pastor, submitted Novem-
ber 1st.
A. W. MATHER—Buckley's Theory and Practice of Extemporaneous
Preaching, submitted February 1st.
Students—H. S. Leas, E. P. Perry, B. F. Ruley, W. N. Sherwood, T. R.
Woodford, C. M. Zepp.

Graduates of the Seminary.

- H. L. ELDERDICE—Hebrew. First year, Psalms 42-49, 84, 85, 87.
Second year, Isaiah XL, XXVIII. Third year, Jonah and Malachi.
J. J. MURRAY and J. T. LASSELL Associate. Greek, 11th Chapter of
Hebrews. Students in N. T. Greek are advised to procure "The Heroes
of Faith," published by Funk & Wagnalls.

S. B. Southerland will deliver a lecture on the Practice and Theory of
our Church Government and every Student is required to attend this
Lecture and Examination, and also to answer the question: "Have you
spent a portion of each day in private study of the Word and in prayer?"

Graduates from Westminster Theological Seminary shall be examined
each year only in Theology, Hebrew and Greek.

The Faculty meets Tuesday before Conference at 10 A.M. to examine
Students, and at 7.30 P.M. for business.

Correct answers to two-thirds of the questions asked will be required to
pass a candidate either for reception on trial or into any class of the
course or for orders. Two-thirds will be marked 70. All questions
answered, or less three, will be marked 100, and all receiving 100 will be
reported to the Conference.

S. B. SOUTHERLAND, *President.*

J. L. MILLS, *Secretary.*

DEAD ROLL.

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

NAME.	Born.	Entered Conference.	Died.
Charles Rigby.....	1782	1829	1830
Joseph Scull.....	1785	1829	1830
Washington Hamilton Hayes.....		1830	1831
William Bamber.....		1831	1832
Charles Wesley Jacob.....	1812	1829	1833
John James Hanson.....		1829	1834
William Kelsey.....		1830	1841
Isaac Webster Clippinger.....		1842	1842
Samuel Rawleigh.....		1834	1843
Daniel Davis, M. D.....		1833	1844
William W. Maddux.....		1838	1844
William W. Ball.....		1842	1844
William H. Boardley.....		1843	1846
Samuel D. Norwood.....	1820	1844	1847
Isaac Webster.....	1787	1829	1851
Levi Rogers Reese.....	1806	1832	1851
Frederick Stier.....	1783	1830	1851
Richard Atkinson.....	1817	1841	1851
Levin A. Collins.....	1814	1837	1853
John Smith Reese, M. D.....	1790	1829	1855
Francis George Wright.....	1823	1849	1859
Nevell Steele Greenaway.....	1824	1852	1861
William Turbit Wright.....	1808	1845	1862
Washington Roby.....	1816	1839	1862
Thoroughgood C. Ewell.....	1832	1856	1862
Josiah Varden.....	1806	1831	1863
George D. Hamilton.....	1798	1831	1864
Reuben Tyler Boyd.....	1794	1833	1865
Thomas Hart Benton Austin.....	1842	1863	1865
James Francis Whiteside.....	1828	1850	1866
Eli Hinkle.....	1787	1829	1867
Francis Waters, D.D.....	1792	1838	1862
Thomas H. Burgess.....	1828	1861	1868
Thomas Mahlon Wilson.....	1814	1842	1870
Luther J. Cox.....	1791	1869	1869
Christian Eversole.....	1820	1852	1870
Daniel Bowers.....	1832	1854	1871
John Morgan.....	1811	1844	1871
Henry C. Hayghe.....	1844	1869	1871
John Elderdice.....	1814	1838	1874
John Roberts.....	1818	1843	1875
Amon Richards.....	1787	1870	1876

DEAD ROLL—Continued.

NAME.	Born.	Entered Conference.	Died.
Abraham S. Eversole, M.D.....	1813	1839	1877
Daniel Evans Reese, D.D.....	1810	1830	1877
Samuel Guest Valiant.....	1852	1870	1877
William C. Ames, D.D.S.....	1839	1869	1878
John Edgar Read.....	1846	1865	1878
Thomas M. Bryan.....	1818	1846	1879
William Corrie Lipscomb.....	1792	1869	1879
Thomas Asbury Moore.....	1824	1845	1881
David Norwood Gilbert.....	1851	1873	1881
Isaac Tunnel Adkins.....	1809	1865	1881
Thomas Lee.....	1821	1857	1882
Peter Light Wilson.....	1822	1842	1883
Thomas McCormick.....	1792	1869	1883
Charles Theodore Cochell.....	1832	1859	1884
James Martin Elderdice.....	1817	1840	1884
Arthur Daniel Murray.....	1856	1879	1884
Harry Edward Miskimmin.....	1845	1866	1885
Joseph Alexander McFadden.....	1825	1847	1885
Alfred Baker.....	1813	1841	1885
Christopher Burns Middleton.....	1854	1876	1886
William Thomas Dumm.....	1817	1843	1886
David Anthony Shermer, M.D.....	1824	1844	1886
Daniel Fitchett Ewell, M.D.....	1817	1839	1888
William Francis Livingston.....	1836	1861	1888
Charles McFeely Thompson.....	1843	1868	1889
Robert Thomas Smith.....	1850	1874	1889
Augustus Webster, D.D.....	1808	1832	1890
Samuel Tucker Ferguson.....	1840	1864	1890
James Thompson.....	1819	1853	1890
Robert Wilkins Berryman.....	1816	1876	1891
James Henry Ellegood.....	1817	1850	1892
Theodore Denny Valiant.....	1820	1846	1894
John Bayard Whaley, A.M., B.D.....	1897	1891	1894
Edwin Ruthven McGregor, A.M., B.D., D.C.L.....	1817	1872	1895
James Kane Nichols, D.D.....	1817	1836	1895
Daniel Webster Bates, D.D.....	1815	1843	1895
John William Charlton.....	1832	1860	1896
Thomas E. Coulbourn.....	1853	1880	1896
Riley Seth Williamson.....	1863	1887	1896
John Robert Nichols.....	1815	1838	1896
James Thomas Ward, D.D.....	1820	1843	1897
Rhesa Scott Norris.....	1820	1843	1897
James L. Killgore, D.D.....	1832	1872	1898
John Wesley Everest.....	1810	1834	1898
Robert Luther Lewis.....	1847	1871	1899
Andrew James Walter.....	1847	1874	1899
Joshua Thomas Murray, D.D.....	1830	1851	1899
George Jeffrey Smith.....	1844	1876	1900
Hamilton Jefferson Day.....	1820	1846	1900
William Greenbury Holmes.....	1822	1855	1900
Lawrence Webster Bates, D.D.....	1810	1840	1901

JOURNAL.

FIRST DAY.

EASTON, April 3, 1901.

Seventy third session of the Maryland Annual Conference opened in Calvary Church, Easton, Maryland, at 9 o'clock Wednesday morning, April 3, 1901. Devotional exercises consisted of Scripture reading by W. R. Graham, singing by the Conference, and prayer by President A. D. Melvin.

President called S. B. Southerland to the chair, and read his report. (Report A).

President's character passed and Roll called.

Names of L. W. Bates, H. J. Day, W. G. Holmes and G. J. Smith were placed on the Dead-roll.

L. F. Warner moved to suspend for this session the order of Conference and hold memorial services on Sunday afternoon at 2.30 o'clock. Accepted as amended. (Resolution 1).

T. W. Donoho, alternate from North Baltimore Church, was added to roll as delegate from that church.

Hours of session were fixed at from 9 to 12 and from 2 till adjournment, at the pleasure of the Conference.

Several papers referred to Faculty of Instruction.

Bar of Conference fixed at pews on line with register.

President announced Standing Committees.

The order of the day having arrived, the Conference Sermon was delivered by W. R. Graham, from John xv., 26 and 27.

AFTERNOON.

Conference opened with President in the chair.

Papers referred to Faculty of Instruction.

Letter referred Committee on Temperance.

Letter from T. P. Revelle was referred to Committee on Fraternal Relations.

Letter requesting supernumerary relations to North Baltimore, from E. J. Drinkhouse, was read and the request was granted.

Letter read from David Wilson, and request granted.

Letter from the Maryland Branch of the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society was read and referred to the Committee on Missions. (Report B).

Overtures from the General Conference were read and made the order of the day for tomorrow at 10.30 o'clock.

Papers from Keen Memorial and Campbell referred to Church Extension Committee.

Paper from President of General Conference was referred to the Board of Finance.

Letter from Washington and Alexandria Branch of the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society was read and referred to the Committee on Missions. (Report B).

Report of the Secretary was read and referred to the Board of Finance. (Report C).

Committee on President's report made a partial report, item one was referred to the Committee on Official Character, and item two was adopted. (Report D).

Wm. H. Parker, alternate from Evergreen, was added to the roll as delegate from that church.

Order of the day having arrived, officers were elected, as follows:

President, A. D. Melvin.

Secretary, Dorsey Blake.

Conference Steward, J. H. S. Ewell.

Church Extension Steward, E. S. Fooks.

Superannuated Steward, W. H. Litsinger.

Foreign Missionary Steward, J. F. Wooden.

General Home Mission Steward, G. M. Clayton.

Educational Steward, G. W. Hines.

Home for the Aged Steward, L. A. Bennett.

Bible and Tract Steward, N. O. Gibson.

Paper from Clark Memorial was referred to the Committee on Fraternal Relations.

Report of the Educational Endowment Society was read. (Report E).

Vote taken for Standing District Committee and tellers permitted to retire and count the ballots.

Additional tellers were appointed and vote taken for Committee on Appeals and tellers permitted to retire and count the ballots.

Rev. Mr. Fiser, pastor of the Baptist Church of Easton, was introduced.

Report of the Baltimore Book Directory was read and referred to the Committee on Literature. (Report F).

Rev. Mr. Willy, of the Wilmington M. E. Conference, Rev. J. C. Berrien, Secretary of the Board of Ministerial Education, and Rev. G. E. McManiman, Secretary of the Board of Home Missions, were introduced.

Report of the Special Committee on Sustentation Fund was read and adopted. (Report G).

Committee on Statistics made a partial report, referred to Committee on Publication of Minutes.

Item in Superannuated Committee Report of last year was taken up and lost.

Tellers reported on the ballot for Committee on Appeals, F. T. Little, W. S. Hammond, J. D. Kinzer, J. N. Warfield, T. P. Fisher, F. L. Herring.

Miss Margaret Kuhns, return missionary from Japan, was introduced.

J. W. Kirk moved that Miss Kuhns be heard tomorrow at 3. Carried.

Papers were referred to the Faculty of Instruction.

Papers from Denton and Greenwood were referred to the Committee on Church Extension.

President appointed H. E. Bennington to lead devotional exercises tomorrow.

Adjourned with benediction by J. J. Murray.

SECOND DAY.

THURSDAY, April 4, 1901.

Conference assembled at 9 A. M.

Devotional exercises conducted by H. E. Bennington.

Minutes read and corrected.

Roll of charges called for business.

Roll of committees called for business.

President appointed G. E. Brown collector for Church Extension dues, and W. N. Sherwood for Superannuated Fund dues.

The Standing District Committee was elected as follows: J. D. Kinzer, Wm. Dale, W. B. Usilton, W. S. Hammond, T. P. Fisher and W. G. Baker.

Roll called and pastors deposited reports.

Papers from Alexandria, Clinton Hill, Wye, Quantico, Keen Memorial, South Baltimore, Mardela, Mt. Nebo, Montgomery and Crumpton were referred to Committee on Church Extension.

Order of the day was postponed.

Rev. Mr. MacDougal, of the Wilmington Conference, was introduced.

T. H. Lewis, president of Western Maryland College, read his report. Report referred to Committee on Education. (Report E).

The Committee on Publication of Minutes and Committee on Statistics, to which was referred certain suggested changes in the printed minutes, reported. Report adopted. (Report H).

Order of the day was taken up. Overture number one, lost; overture number two, lost; overture number three, lost; overture number four, lost.

J. M. Holmes moved that the report on the restrictive rule vote be the order of the day for this afternoon at two o'clock. Carried.

Motion by F. T. Little to request W. R. Graham to furnish manuscript of his sermon for publication in THE METHODIST PROTESTANT, was carried. (Resolution 2).

Paper from Cambridge was referred to Board of Finance.

J. H. Daugherty requested through F. T. Little that his relation be changed from superannuated to that of active. Request granted.

Rev. Mr. Beecham, of St. Michaels, was introduced.

Conference gave place to a meeting of the Mutual Relief Association. (Report I).

Adjourned with benediction, by F. C. Klein.

AFTERNOON.

Conference opened with the President in the chair.

L. F. Warner, on behalf of C. E. Carson, of Easton, presented a gavel to the president.

The order of the day was taken up.

Secretary read the report of the vote of the churches on the restrictive rule, according to the resolution of last conference. (Report J).

Motion made that the report of the secretary be accepted.

J. M. Holmes offered a resolution in regard to time limit.

The order for three o'clock having arrived, discussion was suspended to hear Miss Kuhns, returned missionary from Japan.

Discussion on the time limit resumed.

Papers from Evergreen, Millville, Lawsonia, St. Luke's, Cumberland, Nichols' Memorial, Snow Hill, Broadway and Crumpton were referred to the Committee on Church Extension.

Adjourned with benediction by J. W. Trout.

THIRD DAY.

FRIDAY, April 5, 1901.

Conference convened at 9 A.M.

Devotional exercises conducted by G. H. Stocksdale.

Minutes read and approved.

Papers from Reliance, Christ Church and Lynchburg, referred to Committee on Church Extension.

Paper from Christ Church referred to Faculty of Instruction.

Paper from Delta referred to Board of Finance.

Roll of committees called for business.

Committee on Official Character reported. Adopted. (Report K).

Papers from Frederica and West Wilmington referred to Committee on Church Extension.

The discussion of yesterday on the time limit was resumed.

Vote on resolution called for by orders. Resolution lost as follows: Ministerial vote—Aye, 47; nay, 61. Lay—Aye, 42; nay, 37.

Committee on Pulpit Supply reported. Report adopted, Committee being allowed to make changes.

T. H. Lewis submitted the final report of Special Committee on North Carolina Avenue Church. Report adopted as amended by J. T. Lassell. (Report L).

Rev. L. T. Widerman, agent of the Bible Society, addressed the Conference.

B. W. Kindley and G. Q. Bachus were excused from filling their assignments by the Pulpit Supply Committee.

Report of Committee on Credentials read and adopted. (Report M).

Adjourned with benediction by A. W. Mather.

AFTERNOON.

Conference opened with the President in the chair.

J. D. Kinzer read the report of the Board of Governors of Westminster Theological Seminary. Referred to Committee on Education. (Report E).

F. T. Tagg made report of the expenses of the General Conference representatives. (Report N).

Motion to pay \$45.00 to the Secretary of the Program Committee of the Ecumenical Conference. Carried.

F. T. Tagg moved that balance be given to Secretary of Conference for deficiency in publication of Minutes. Carried.

L. F. Warner moved to omit the afternoon session Saturday. Carried.

President called J. J. Murray to the chair.

Committee on Sunday Schools reported. Adopted. (Report O).

J. M. Sheridan read the report of the Baltimore City Church Extension Society. Referred to Committee on Church Extension. (Report P).

Papers from Williamsport and Howard referred to Committee on Church Extension.

Conference gave place to a meeting of the Mutual Relief Association. (Report I).

Paper from Christ Church read and referred to Committee on Church Enterprise.

Papers from St. Michael's and Dover referred to Committee on Church Extension.

Adjourned with benediction by J. L. Elderdice.

FOURTH DAY.

SATURDAY, April 6, 1901.

Conference convened at 9 A.M.

Devotional exercises conducted by A. A. Bichell.

Minutes read, corrected and approved.

Roll of committees called for business.

President called J. M. Holmes to the chair and addressed the Conference on behalf of W. S. Hammond, who requested to be left without an appointment for one year. Request granted.

Avery Donovan, J. M. Holmes and the delegate from Snow Hill were excused until Monday.

Delegate from Quantico was excused from attendance after this session.

H. G. Cowan offered resolution concerning transportation. Referred to Committee on Transportation.

J. M. Sheridan offered resolution on church extension appropriations. Adopted. (Resolution 3).

Report of the Committee on Official Reports read and adopted. (Report K).

President addressed the Conference.

J. W. Kirk moved that G. E. McManiman be heard at this time. Carried.

President called J. D. Kinzer to the chair.

G. E. McManiman, Corresponding Secretary of the Board of Home Missions, addressed the Conference.

Committee on Church Extension submitted partial report. Report adopted item by item. (Report P).

Faculty of Instruction made partial report. Adopted. (Report Q).

G. E. Brown reported \$101.25 collected for Church Extension dues, and W. N. Sherwood \$98.15 for Superannuated dues. They were directed to turn over the amounts to the Church Extension and Superannuated Fund Stewards and continue the collection.

Committee on Superannuates reported. (Report R).

Report of the Committee on President's Report read and adopted as amended by F. T. Tagg. (Report D).

Hour of adjournment postponed to 12.30.

Partial report of the Board of Finance read and adopted. (Report S).

F. T. Tagg, agent of the Twentieth Century Fund, read his report. Adopted. (Report T).

A. W. Mather moved that the report be audited by the Book Directory. Carried.

Conference gave place to the meeting of the Church Extension Society. (Report P).

Adjourned with benediction by J. T. Lassell.

FIFTH DAY.

MONDAY, April 8, 1901.

Conference convened at 9 A.M.

Devotional exercises conducted by J. M. Dickey.

Minutes read and approved.

Roll of committees called for business.

F. C. Klein moved that the order of the day for 2.30 be the report of the Committee on Education.

J. D. Kinzer moved that the item in the partial report of the Board of Finance in reference to the assessment for General Home Missions be reconsidered. Carried.

J. D. Kinzer moved that the assessment for General Home Missions be placed at \$2,000. Carried.

The President addressed the Conference relative to the plan of appointments.

The President called J. D. Kinzer to the chair.

J. C. Berrien, Corresponding Secretary of the Board of Ministerial Education, addressed the Conference.

The President appointed H. L. Elderdice to the chair of Hebrew in the Faculty of Instruction.

Report of the Committee on Superannuates was taken from the table, read, and on motion of W. R. Graham, recommitted.

Report of Committee on Sabbath Observance was read and adopted. (Report U).

W. R. Graham read the reports of the Board of Managers and the Board of Lady Managers of Our Church Home. Reports adopted. (Report V).

Report of the Committee on Church Enterprise was read and considered item by item. Item one referred to the Committee on Church Extension. Item two adopted. (Report W).

Committee on Superannuates again submitted report. Adopted. (Report R).

W. S. Hammond asked that B. F. Benson be excused after this session. Granted.

Steward of the Bible and Tract collections submitted his report. Adopted.

Faculty of Instruction submitted report, which was considered item by item. Item one adopted. Item two adopted. Report as a whole adopted. (Report Q).

Report of the Committee on Fraternal Relations read and adopted. (Report X).

F. C. Klein offered a resolution fixing the date of the next session of Conference. Adopted. (Resolution 4).

Committee on Literature submitted its report. (Report F).

Adjourned with benediction by S. B. Southerland.

AFTERNOON.

Conference convened with the President in the chair.

The President called W. S. Hammond to the chair.

H. C. Cushing was excused from attendance after this session.

G. E. Brown, Collector for Church Extension dues, reported \$5 additional collected, making a total of \$106.25, which was turned over to the Conference Steward. Report accepted and collector discharged.

Report of Committee on Literature taken up and considered item by item. Item one was divided and both parts were adopted. Item two adopted. T. H. Lewis moved to suspend the order of the day to finish this report. Carried. Item three adopted. Item four adopted. Item five adopted. Item six adopted. Report as a whole adopted. (Report F).

J. D. Kinzer offered a resolution concerning church extension. Adopted. (Resolution 5).

Committee on Statistics reported. Report adopted. (Report Y).

F. T. Little moved that the Committee on Statistics be allowed \$10 of the Conference expense fund. Carried.

Order of the day having arrived, report of the Committee on Education was taken up and considered item by item. Item one adopted. Item two discussed at length. (Report E).

Moved by F. T. Little that the place of meeting for next year be referred to the Standing District Committee. Invitation was received from Cumberland, which, with motion of F. T. Little, was laid on the table for twenty-four hours. (Resolution 6).

Adjourned with benediction by A. N. Ward.

SIXTH DAY.

TUESDAY, April 9, 1901.

Conference convened at 9 A.M.

Devotional exercises conducted by B. F. Ruley.

Minutes read and approved.

Roll of Committees called for business.

President called T. H. Lewis to the chair.

S. B. Southerland moved that the candidates elected to the itinerancy on trial be received by the President this afternoon at 3 o'clock. Carried.

W. N. Sherwood, Collector for the Superannuated Fund, reported an additional \$6.00 collected, making the total \$104.15. The amount was turned over to the Steward and the Collector discharged.

E. H. Jones reported \$21.00 collected for the sexton, and by motion was directed to pay the money to L. F. Warner.

Report of the General Home Missionary Steward read and adopted.

Report of the Foreign Missionary Steward read and adopted.

Report of the Steward of the Superannuated Fund read and adopted. (Report R).

W. S. Phillips offered a resolution concerning an amendment to the Manual. Adopted. (Resolution 7).

Delegate from Waltersville excused from further attendance.

J. L. Straughn moved the reference of an item on boundaries to Committee on Church Extension. Carried.

Conference Steward read his report. (Report Z).

F. C. Klein moved that a foot-note be added to the report to explain the deficit. Carried. Report adopted as amended.

J. D. Kinzer offered a resolution concerning appointment of a Special Committee on Rental Value of Parsonages. Adopted. (Resolution 8).

Steward of the Home for the Aged reported. Adopted. (Report V).

H. L. Schlincke offered a resolution concerning the appointment of a Committee on Statistics at this session. Adopted. (Resolution 9).

J. L. Mills read the report of the Trustees of the Conference. Adopted. (Report AA).

J. E. Nicholson moved that the Secretary cast the ballot for F. T. Little, S. J. Smith, Franklin Mewshaw and C. A. Benjamin for Trustees of Conference. Carried.

The chair appointed as the Special Committee on Rental Value of Parsonages J. D. Kinzer, J. M. Holmes, J. H. S. Ewell, O. M. Ong and B. T. Truitt.

W. M. Strayer offered resolution on appointment of a Special Committee on Superannuated Relations. S. J. Smith offered a substitute that the Committee devise means to increase the Superannuated Fund. Carried. (Resolution 10).

A. W. Mather moved that the Superannuated Fund Society meet at 11.30. Carried.

Committee on Education offered a substitute to the second item in their report. F. T. Little moved that the Committee be permitted to make the substitute. Carried.

Report of the Committee again considered by items. Item two adopted. Item three adopted. Chairman of Committee made additional report. Adopted. (Report E).

Committee on Missions submitted report. Considered item by item. Items one, two and three adopted. Item four stricken out. Items six and seven adopted. S. J. Smith offered substitute for item eight, which was accepted and adopted. Report adopted as a whole. (Report B).

J. W. Kirk moved that J. T. Ogburn be heard at 3.30 this afternoon. Carried.

Report of the Special Committee on Plan to Increase the Superannuated Fund read and adopted. (Report BB).

J. M. Dickey was excused after this session.

Conference gave place to the meeting of the Superannuated Fund Society. (Report R).

Adjourned with benediction by J. L. Mills.

AFTERNOON.

Conference opened at 2 o'clock with President in the chair.

President appointed as Committee on Statistics for next Conference H. L. Schlincke, C. E. Dryden and H. C. Hall.

President called T. H. Lewis to the chair.

W. J. Neeper moved that the President be requested to read his plan of appointments at 9 o'clock this evening. Carried.

Report of Committee on Temperance read and adopted. (Report CC).

J. E. Nicholson moved that the chair appoint ushers to reserve space for the Conference this evening. Carried.

S. B. Treadway moved that the rule that requires invitations to lay on the table for twenty-four hours be suspended. Carried.

Committee on Benevolent Agencies reported. Report adopted. (Report DD).

The invitation from Cumberland and F. T. Little's motion were considered. J. J. Murray moved that the invitation from Cumberland and the motion of F. T. Little be referred to the Standing District Committee.

Committee on Christian Endeavor submitted report. Adopted. (Report EE).

The chair appointed for ushers at the night session B. F. Ruley, J. L. Nichols, T. R. Woodford and H. S. Leas.

J. M. Holmes took collection for benefit of Bates Memorial Church at Snow Hill. Order of the day suspended for five minutes to continue the collection.

The President addressed the candidates received on trial.

T. J. Ogburn, Secretary of the Board of Foreign Missions, addressed the Conference.

The Board of Finance submitted report. Adopted. (Report S).

Committee on Church Extension read report. Item five of a previous report was reconsidered and then stricken out. Items referring to Cumberland, Keen Memorial, Mardela, Snow Hill and St. Luke's appropriations amended and then adopted. (Report P).

C. S. Arnett asked to be left without an appointment for one year. Granted.

Elmer Simpson asked to be excused from further attendance. Granted.

J. D. Kinzer moved to adjourn to meet again at 7.30 P.M. Carried.

EVENING.

Conference convened at 7.30, with the President in the chair.

F. T. Little, on behalf of C. E. McCullough, requested that he be placed on the Superannuated list. Granted.

President called W. S. Hammond to the chair.

Collection taken to raise the deficiency in Seminary assessment, \$172.00.

Committed on Superannuates submitted additional report. Adopted. (Report R).

The President recommended that H. C. Hall, C. C. Baker, C. M. Compher, Thomas Wheeler, E. H. Jones, E. P. Perry, W. N. Sherwood and J. H. Straughn be granted license to administer the ordinances. W. M. Strayer moved that the matter be referred to the Committee on Itinerancy and Orders. Carried.

Special Committee on Rental Values of Parsonages submitted a report. Adopted. (Report FF).

Church Extension Steward read his report. Adopted. (Report P).

The President requested W. S. Hammond to call J. D. Kinzer to the chair, so that he might attend a meeting of the Committee on Itinerancy and Orders.

Motion offered by Edw. Reisler, referring to death of Wm. [unclear] any, was adopted. (Resolution 11).

[unclear] briefly addressed the Conference.

[unclear] moved that each pastor raise an amount equal to the President's salary for improvement of the Presbytery. Carried. (Resolution 12).

[unclear] taken for payment of choir books, and \$8.06 re-

[unclear] of thanks to the people of Easton for their hospi-

[unclear] Snyder offered a resolution of thanks to the editor of the *Gazette* for issuing the Conference daily, and to Miss [unclear] by for her accurate reports. Adopted.

Committee on Itinerancy and Orders submitted a report. Adopted. (Report Q).

President appointed C. P. Nowlin to collect balance on subscriptions to North Carolina Avenue Church.

Minutes read and approved.

President read the plan of appointments. (Report GG).

Adjourned with benediction by S. B. Southerland.

DORSEY BLAKE,
Secretary.

Approved:

A. D. MELVIN, *President.*

CONSTITUTION OF THE MUTUAL RELIEF ASSOCIATION OF THE MARYLAND ANNUAL CONFERENCE.

ARTICLE 1.

Name and Object.

This association shall be known as the Mutual Relief Association of the itinerant ministers and their wives of the Maryland Annual Conference of the Methodist Protestant Church. Its object shall be to provide a fund for the benefit of the surviving relatives of its members, said fund to be raised and disbursed as hereinafter provided for in this Constitution.

ARTICLE 2.

Officers, Elections and Meetings.

This association shall meet annually during the session of the Maryland Annual Conference, and shall elect by ballot from its own members three vice-presidents, secretary and treasurer. The president of the Conference shall be the president of the association.

ARTICLE 3.

Membership.

All itinerant ministers of the Maryland Annual Conference and their wives shall be eligible to membership.

ARTICLE 4.

Decease of a Member.

Upon the death of a member of this association the president shall draw his order on the secretary within forty days after he shall have received the proper notice thereof for a sum equal to one dollar for every member of the association at the date of said death, for the whole amount of mortuary dues which the secretary has been able to collect, less expense of collection, and the secretary shall forthwith pay the sum so called for to the husband, widow, child or children, or to such person or persons to whom the deceased may have disposed of the same by will or other assignment, or to the legal heirs of the deceased.

ARTICLE 5.

Dues and Penalties.

SECTION 1. There shall be an entrance fee of \$1.00, and upon the death of a member of the association it shall be the duty of the secretary to notify each member of such death, and thereupon each member shall, within thirty days from the date of said notice, pay to the secretary the sum of one dollar; and in case any member neglects or refuses to pay the same, the name of such person shall be erased from the roll of members, and such delinquent shall forfeit all claims upon the association; nevertheless, any such delinquent having paid his dues may be reinstated at the annual meeting.

SEC. 2. A notice directed and sent to the postoffice address or the residence of a member, as recorded in the books of the secretary, shall be deemed a legal notice.

SEC. 3. The secretary shall notify every member who fails to pay his mortuary dues within thirty days that he has lapsed, and can be reinstated by remitting his dues, within ten days after lapsing.

ARTICLE 6.

The officers of the association shall constitute a board of managers, with power to interpret the Constitution in the interim of Conference and to fill all vacancies.

REPORTS.

Report A.

PRESIDENT'S REPORT.

To the Maryland Annual Conference—

DEAR BRETHREN—Through the mercy and providence of God, we have met today to begin the seventy-third session of this Conference. The year that has just closed has been to all of us a year of toil, and to some it has been a year of trial and suffering. We may not have accomplished all we desired and hoped, but we come, I trust, with the consciousness of having endeavored to do our duty, and with the assurance that we have accomplished something toward building up the kingdom of the Lord Jesus Christ.

The opening of every Conference session brings to us a forcible reminder of our mortality. During the past year death has again entered our ranks. Faces, so long familiar, will be seen by us no more on earth. Voices, so frequently heard in our councils, have been hushed by death. The homes of some of our brethren have been invaded. The wives of two of our brethren have been called from earth away. One sister, the widow of one whose name has long been on the dead roll, has been released from earth, that she might join her husband in that innumerable company.

Rev. G. J. Smith, died April 28, 1900.

Rev. H. J. Day, died June 15, 1900.

Mrs. Letitia C. Elderdice, died August 31, 1900.

Mrs. Emily C. Shreeve, died October 31, 1900.

Mrs. Ann Elizabeth Bryan, died November 9, 1900.

Rev. W. G. Holmes, died December 31, 1900.

Rev. L. W. Bates, died January 17, 1901.

Obituary Committees were promptly appointed and are ready to report. We have also lost heavily, by death, in the ranks of the laity of our church. Many good men and women who entered the year full of hope, zeal and enthusiasm for Christ, are no longer to be seen in their places in the churches of which they were honored members. These are too numerous to be mentioned in this report, but there is one name that should appear, because he was a General Conference officer. Wm. J. C. Dulany, agent of the *Methodist Protestant*, died February 13, 1901. How strange not to see that familiar name in our church paper! The announcement of his death brought sadness into every one of the thousands homes where the *Methodist Protestant* has so long been a weekly visitor.

APPOINTMENTS.

Rev. James H. Straughn was appointed pastor on Bel Air Circuit to serve during the Seminary vacation. Rev. D. L. Johnson was appointed to Indian River. Rev. A. G. Dixon was appointed to Nicholas Memorial. Rev. C. H. Littleton was appointed to Patapsco. Rev. C. E. Forlines was appointed to Williamsport. Rev. C. C. Baker was appointed to Campbell. Rev. H. H. Price was appointed to Lewistown. Rev. R. C. Strasburg was appointed to Montgomery. The foregoing are all supplies and represent our shortage of preachers at our last Conference.

CHANGES.

Rev. W. O. Livingston was appointed to Wicomico. He went to that charge, but returned the same day, without giving me notice. After his return he asked for his release, which I declined to give, because he could give me no sufficient reason. He subsequently asked for a letter of dismissal from the Conference. This also I declined to give him, because he was acting in defiance of Conference authority, and because he had not paid his indebtedness to the Board of Ministerial Education. The General Conference of 1896 passed the following act: "When any beneficiary of the Board shall leave the Methodist Protestant Church before having repaid the loan made him by the Board, his papers shall be withheld by the President of the Annual Conference of which he is a member until the debt shall have been repaid in full, and the President of said Conference shall inform the Secretary of the Board of the intention of the person to withdraw." I gave notice to the Secretary of the Board and informed Brother Livingston that I had done so. Since that time I have had no communication with him. I recommend that his case be referred to the Committee on Itinerancy and Orders.

On June 4, 1900, Rev. J. W. Parris was appointed pastor of Wicomico. On October 1, 1900, Rev. H. E. Bennington was released from Milton, that he might enter the evangelistic work, and on the same day Rev. H. E. Nelson was appointed to fill this vacancy. On November 22, 1900, Rev. H. O. Keen was released from Remington on account of poor health and Rev. N. T. Meginniss was appointed pastor. Brother Meginniss served this church efficiently about one month. I desire to record my high appreciation of the service he has rendered as pastor, and also the service rendered since he was released, in straightening up the finances of that church and in placing them upon a better business basis than they have ever been. Rev. J. H. Daugherty was appointed pastor on the day that Brother Meginniss was released.

Rev. J. H. Robinson was released from Violetsville on November 23, 1900, and Rev. W. S. Simms was appointed pastor.

On January 10 and 11, 1901, Emanuel Pearce was tried and expelled from the ministry. As directed by the Committee, he returned to me his-

credentials. Mt. Tabor Church was at once put in charge of Rev. J. D. Kinzer, but the pulpit has been supplied by Bros. Straughn and Douglass of the seminary.

OVERTURES.

The General Conference of 1900 passed four overtures, and ordered that they be sent to the annual for approval. They can be found on page 136 of the General Conference Journal. I suggest that they be given your attention early in the session.

ECUMENICAL CONFERENCE.

The last session of the General Conference ordered that an assessment be laid on every annual conference district to defray expenses of delegates to the Ecumenical Conference of Methodism, which is to be held in England next year. I have in hand a communication from the Rev. Dr. D. S. Stevens, President of the General Conference, designating \$500 as the sum we are expected to raise. His communication is herewith submitted.

THE TWENTIETH CENTURY FUND.

By previous understanding, the collection as a Thank Offering for the Twentieth Century Fund will cease at this conference. No one will regret more than our agent that he will not be able to report that the twenty thousand (\$20,000) dollars has all been raised. While we may not be able to continue to raise this money as a Thank Offering, it is my judgment that the collection for the purchase of a building for the use of our book directory ought to be continued until the amount required is obtained. I hope the matter will have your early and earnest consideration. I have recommended to the conference Christian Endeavor Union that they continue their collections until the two thousand (\$2,000) dollars promised by them shall have been paid. I have also recommended to them that their special work for the denomination for the next year shall be that of securing a wider circulation of our denominational literature.

MUTUAL RELIEF ASSOCIATION.

The Mutual Relief Association, reorganized at our last session, has not been as satisfactory in its workings as we hoped. Notices were sent to all members of the conference, and when the first death occurred there were one hundred and seventy-three (173) responses to the call. Since then there has been a steady decline in the responses until the last, when only one hundred and thirty-six (136) paid their assessments on the death of our beloved brother, Dr. L. W. Bates. Now, it is plain that at this rate our association will soon be extinct, unless something is done to revive interest in it. To say that our secretary's report will be surprising and disappointing will be putting it mildly. I hope this matter will have

your earnest consideration, and that all may become interested in the work of this association. I recommend that each member forward to the secretary the name of the person whom he desires to be the beneficiary in the event of his death.

CONFERENCE MINUTES.

The collections for conference expenses have not been sufficient to meet all the incidental expenses, and to pay for the publication of the minutes in their present form. Something should be done to reduce expenses, or the collection will have to be increased. The cost of the publication of the minutes can be reduced without detriment of any of our conference interests. Several pages of matter are published twice. Inasmuch as all our assessment and collections appear in the report of our conference steward, they should not be published elsewhere. The stewards, in making up their reports, should make a full report of assessments and collections to assist the conference steward in making up his report; but only the aggregates of assessments and collections, with the disbursements, need appear in their published reports. There are other things that are published, which are of no practical value. I recommend that the Committee on Publication of Minutes be authorized to omit from the published reports all matter considered by them superfluous.

BENEVOLENT AGENCIES.

The Maryland Branch of the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society steadily pushes its work. These Christian women hear the voice of the Master and quietly but persistently go forward. They are doing what they can to send the Gospel to the ends of the earth, and they should have the sympathy and co-operation of every pastor.

The Maryland Bible Society and the Maryland Tract Society deserve our continued and hearty co-operation.

The interest in the Home for the Aged is increasing. This benevolent enterprise is sure to touch a sympathetic cord in the hearts of the people if it is properly presented. I recommend that there be two additional stewards elected, one for the Aged People's Home and one for the Bible and Tract cause.

Mrs. T. A. Reese has continued her generous contributions to our pastors and the various interests represented in our conference work. She deserves, and, I am sure, has the hearty thanks of all who have been the recipients of her many kindnesses.

The Pipe Creek and Jefferson Benevolent Societies, and the St. John's Board of Beneficence, have continued their generous assistance to our pastors and the churches, and should receive the formal and hearty thanks of this Conference.

STATE OF THE CHURCH.

Because of my inability to obtain reports from pastors in time I am not able to state the amount of money raised for the payment of debts and for building and improvements. Neither can I state definitely the number of conversions and members received. From all that I have learned I feel justified in saying that the official reports will be gratifying

A new parsonage has been built on the Cecil circuit, providing for the division of the circuit into two charges, to be supplied by married men.

A new parsonage has been built in the town of Laurel for the use of the pastor of Sussex.

A new parsonage has been built in Snow Hill.

Waltersville charge has not only completed a new church but has built a parsonage, making that a very desirable appointment.

A new church has been built on Howard Circuit, taking the place of the one destroyed by a cyclone last year. The destruction was so complete, and the circumstances were so discouraging, that the erection of this church was a severe trial to the faith and courage of pastor and people.

The church at Chincoteague has been enlarged and in every way improved, giving us the best church on the island.

North Carolina-Avenue has been finished, and is now being used by the large congregation that has been gathered. This is a splendid achievement. The special committee which has had the supervision of this work will doubtless give you the financial condition of the church in their report. Three years ago the pastor of Brooklyn was confronted with a debt of \$4,600, with the church divided and discouraged. He has succeeded in inspiring his people with a spirit of liberality unsurpassed by anything that has been seen in our Conference District for many years. The debt has been paid except about \$200, which is provided for and will be paid soon.

The mortgage on North Baltimore has been paid. In addition to this they have paid their own ground rent and have put in a pipe organ. By the report published in the *PROTESTANT* you have seen that they propose to relinquish all their claim on the last appropriation made by the Church Extension Society, thereby relieving the Society very much of its financial embarrassment. This report would be too long for publication in the Minutes if I were to mention all charges that have improved property and deserve praise for their progress and liberality. I may have omitted some unintentionally which should have been mentioned.

I am glad to report a disposition on the part of the people to increase pastors' salaries. There have been more instances of increased salaries this year than in any year of my administration. The sentiment for this is evidently growing. This usually is the result of greater zeal and efficiency on the part of the pastors themselves. We cannot over-estimate the importance of bringing pastors' salaries up to a higher point. The

minimum should not be less than \$600 and a parsonage for every married man. Laymen should ever remember that there is an inseparable connection between pastoral support and pastoral supply, and ministers should keep in mind that there is also an inseparable connection between pastoral service and pastoral support. Pastors whose services are so efficient as to make them particularly desirable usually make the people both able and willing to give them a comfortable living.

The Gospel, as it has been preached, has been the "power of God unto the salvation" of many souls. There have been a number of great revivals. Many churches have felt the reviving and quickening power of the Holy Spirit. Decision Day has been again observed with telling results. A large number of our pastors make their regular Sabbath evening services revival services. I commend this to the consideration of all. In some way the great work of rescuing men and women from their sins should be kept constantly before the minds of the people. The great need of the present day is bringing to bear upon the people the powerful motives of the Gospel. The masses know that they ought to be saved from their sins, and they usually know how they may be saved, but they do not care enough about the Gospel either to accept it or oppose it. They do not need instruction as to the means and method of salvation half as much as they need moving. The Gospel is powerful in its motives. Let us keep before their minds the fact that it is a life and death matter we are dealing with, and this is made the more serious because the adjective "eternal" is prefixed in each case.

Praying that the "God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ," who, in His providence, has deemed us worthy of official position in the church, and has given us temporal and spiritual blessings throughout the year, and has brought us together again as brethren "beloved in the Lord," may guide us by His spirit in all our deliberations during this session, I am,

Your brother in Christ,

A. D. MELVIN, *President.*

REPORT OF AGENT OF PRESIDENT'S PARSONAGE, No. 42
PARKIN STREET, BALTIMORE, MD.

1900.

April 3, To balance due Agent, as per report to Conference. \$1 22

'DISBURSEMENTS.

1901.

March 28, Cash, paid Baltimore City water tax.....\$13 44

March 28, Sundry bills during the year for repairs and replenishing ordered by the President..... 68 21

April 1, Cash to Thos. A. Murray, Treasurer, as part payment on \$90 due Superannuated Fund..... 84 71

————— \$167 58

RECEIPTS.

1901.

March 21, Cash from President A. D. Melvin.....	\$90 00
March 28, Cash from President A. D. Melvin.....	9 37
March 28, Sundry bills turned in by President Melvin as cash paid by him during the year.....	68 21
	\$167 58

LIABILITIES.

1901.

April 1, Due Superannuate Fund, balance on ground rent.	\$5 29
Respectfully submitted,	
JARRETT N. GILBERT.	

Report B.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON MISSIONS.

Your Committee on Missions respectfully submits the following report:

Rev. T. J. Ogburn, Secretary of the Board of Foreign Missions, and Rev. G. E. McManiman, Secretary of the Board of Home Missions, have made official statements to your Committee. Miss Kuhns, the returned missionary of the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society, has also appeared before the Committee and made statements concerning their work.

HOME MISSIONS.

The information conveyed to your Committee is of a most gratifying character. The Board is now entirely out of debt. The People's Church, in Kansas City, has been saved and secured. The four churches in Seattle now have regular services, and the work is going forward with much success. Stamford, Conn., has a beautiful church, recently completed, with flattering prospects. Other cities reveal opportunities for successful enterprises, but the great lack is money. The Secretary characterizes this interest as "a business movement which appeals to the business brains of the Methodist Protestant Church," and it is hoped that our laymen will regard this cause as worthy of their support.

THE WOMAN'S FOREIGN MISSIONARY SOCIETY.

We are more than pleased with the labors of this branch of the work. We call special attention to the excellent results accomplished among the children, and we desire to emphasize the fact that the children educated in our schools become most efficient Christian laborers.- It is a matter of extreme regret that there is not more room for pupils, and when it is remembered that the law of Japan requires nine square feet of recreation ground to every child, and that our school in Yokohama is absolutely hindered from taking more children by reason of the lack in land, it is

readily seen that there is immediate need for more ground. A lot adjoining our school in Yokohama can be purchased for \$9,000, and we trust our Pastors will give their cordial co-operation in the securing of this money, and that Miss Kuhns may have the way opened to her to address our congregations. We sincerely regret that only thirty auxiliaries are to be found among the one hundred and thirty-two appointments of our Conference.

FOREIGN MISSIONS.

We come to this part of our work with special pleasure. The statements of our Secretary are more than interesting. It is particularly to be noted that the difficulties which have troubled our work in Japan have in the main been removed. Some of the Mission workers who went off from us have returned. While it is true that the attitude of the Government toward all schools is unfavorable, yet, last October at the General Conference of Foreign Missionaries of all denominations held in Japan, the greatest hopefulness was manifested concerning the future success of the preaching of the Gospel. Two letters received by Rev. T. J. Ogburn during this session of the Conference report conversions. Children's Day is generally observed in the Maryland District, and is an inspiration to the whole denomination. We express our great delight at the gratifying information concerning our Missionaries. Rev. U. G. Murphy has immortalized himself in his labors in behalf of better laws for the oppressed, and returning Missionaries of other denominations made the statement that our Missionaries are among the most efficient in Japan. We most earnestly urge greater efforts to secure the full assessment. Let us have an increase of receipts for our Foreign Missionary work. A new Missionary is imperatively needed, and sincere prayer should be made for one.

We make recommendations as follows:

1. That each Pastor seek to have established an auxiliary of the W. F. M. S. in each charge.
2. That Children's Day be faithfully observed by all our Sunday Schools, and that the money received on that day be devoted exclusively to the Children's Day Offering for Foreign Missions.
3. That the reports of the Maryland and Washington and Alexandria Branches of the W. F. M. S. be printed in the Minutes.

Resolved, That we urge upon our Sunday Schools they they conform to the disciplinary requirements in respect to Foreign Missions.

J. W. KIRK, *Chairman*.

REPORT OF MARYLAND BRANCH W. F. M. SOCIETY.

Maryland Branch, Woman's Foreign Missionary Society, Methodist Protestant Church, extend greetings to Maryland Annual Conference, assembled in its seventy-third session, Easton, Md.

The few who constitute the membership of our branch are earnestly laboring for the cause of Christ in the foreign field.

The Maryland Conference is not as well organized as other conferences. Why? Because some of our ministers tell us they are not interested in foreign missions.

May we not arouse this coming year, aiming for an auxiliary for every charge?

May God hasten the day when the missionary spirit of the Maryland Conference shall increase an hundred fold.

Receipts for year ending March 1, 1901, \$1,751.05.

Respectfully submitted,

MRS. H'y HUPFIELD,
Cor. Sec. Md. Br. W. F. M. C.

REPORT FROM ALEXANDRIA AND WASHINGTON BRANCH.

The Washington and Alexandria Branch of the Women's Foreign Missionary Society send greetings to the Maryland Annual Conference at Easton, Maryland, and prays that the Master we are all trying to serve will be with them at their session. Our Branch is prayerfully striving to obey our Lord's command, "Go ye into all the world and preach my Gospel to every creature." We are glad to report our Branch stronger than last year. A very prominent auxiliary has been organized at our North Carolina Avenue Church, numbering twenty members.

Number of auxiliaries.....	6
Number of members.....	123
Scholarships.....	2
Bible Reader.....	1

Receipts to March 31, 1901, \$247 71.

MRS. THOMAS J. WILSON,
Corresponding Secretary.

Report C.

SECRETARY'S REPORT.

RECEIPTS.

Balance in Bank.....	\$ 1 40
April 9, 1900, From Conference Steward.....	293 56
June 8, 1900, Returned by W. J. C. Dulany Co.....	35
Sale of Minutes.....	7 65
Assessment from Pocomoke Circuit for 1900-1.....	2 75
Assessment from Deer Creek for 1900-1.....	2 25
Total Receipts.....	<u>\$307 96</u>

EXPENSES.

April 9, 1900, Conference Steward's salary and expenses.	\$22 19
April 16, 1900, Balance on printing Minutes of 1899 and blanks.....	87 86
April 20, 1900, Secretary's salary for year ending April, 1901.....	50 00
June 5, 1900, Printing and partial distribution of Minutes of 1900.....	328 59
Bibles and credentials.....	8 65
Printing C. E. statistics and blanks.....	3 25
Freight on trunk and Minutes.....	2 09
Postage.....	4 94
Printing programme for Conference Rally..	1 25
Additional postage and expressage on Minutes.....	16 91
1 doz. licenses to administer ordinances.....	1 00
Total expenses.....	\$527 63
Total receipts.....	307 96
Deficit.....	\$219 67

Report D.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON THE PRESIDENT'S REPORT.

Your committee begs leave to report as follows:

We recommend that the paragraph of President's Report, referring to the case of Rev. W. O. Livingston, receive immediate attention, and the case be referred to the Committee on Official Character.

We also concur in the recommendation of the report that two additional stewards be elected—one for the Aged People's Home, and one for the Bible and Tract causes, and that Rule XXIX of our Conference Manual be amended by substituting the "Our Church Home Steward" and "Bible and Tract Steward" after "Educational Steward." And that Section 1, under the "Duties of Steward," be likewise amended.

Our Executive's wisdom displayed in the special appointments and changes made in the interim of Conference is unreservedly commended. We regret that the work was not more free from unhappy incidents, but accord to him our mead of praise for the promptness and fairness with which he met them.

It is to be regretted that our pastors made it impossible for the President to embody in his report certain financial and membership data that we are accustomed to find therein, but it is encouraging to know that he is in the possession of sufficient evidence to assure us that the work has been moving along profitably, and especially that there have been some great revivals.

We earnestly commend to the careful perusal and prayerful consideration of the members of this Conference the wise and timely words and suggestions of the two paragraphs of the report referring respectively to the increase of pastors' salaries and the great present-day need of Gospel preaching and evangelistic work.

The continued generosity of our beloved sister, Mrs. T. A. Reese, and "the timely assistance given our pastors and churches" by the Pipe Creek and Jefferson Beneficent Societies and the St. John's Board of Beneficence are again acknowledged, and this Conference does hereby tender its hearty thanks.

We concur in all the recommendations of the Report, and further recommend that, in the matter of the collection for the Thank-Offering Fund and the Book Concern Building, the present committee be continued and requested to consider and devise a plan by which this collection shall be continued until the required amount is obtained.

Respectfully submitted for the Committee,

W. SHERMAN PHILLIPS, *Chairman.*

Report E.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON EDUCATION.

Your committee has carefully read and considered the report of the President of Western Maryland College, submitted to us. We deem this paper of such importance that we have concluded it necessary to make this special report upon it, and to ask the Conference to fix a time for its consideration.

So remarkable and continuous have been the successes of the institution under the management of Dr. T. H. Lewis and his efficient helpers that the church seems to have fallen into the idea that it is so safe in his hands and so assured of future triumphs that she need give herself no concern about it.

Too much cannot be said of the zeal, wisdom and devotion of the present incumbent of the presidential office. Beginning with two buildings, poorly equipped, the plant has grown to fourteen, with fine modern equipments. To us who knew the institution in the days of old, the changes are almost bewildering in their magnitude and variety. The curriculum is splendidly arranged, teachers have multiplied, the number of students has increased two fold. The graduates find preference in the universities to which they make application, and in all those things that go to make up true college success, Western Maryland stands without a superior among the colleges of the State. Every Methodist Protestant is proud of the college, and to the man who under God has brought it to this proud pre-eminence goes forth the warmest expression of our gratitude and appreciation.

But while according all respect and confidence to the wisdom of those who have the institution in charge, and whose hearts, with ours, are bound up in its prosperity, the report of the president calls us to consider this startling fact, that the very phenomenal success of the college is its greatest peril, so long as there is no endowment to tide over emergencies. An epidemic, a sudden loss of students, a withdrawal of the patronage of the State, and other contingencies may possibly happen at any time which would certainly impair, perhaps ruin, its financial credit. Every addition to the plant, every increase of facility, only increases the peril.

Another startling fact is revealed in the report. "The college would have to close its doors if it depended solely upon Methodist Protestant families for students, if we did not find some way to secure more students from such families than we have been able to do in the past." This, notwithstanding the fact that the Methodist Protestant community contiguous to the college is not less than forty thousand souls. The president of the college is justly pained at this most extraordinary expression of seeming disloyalty to our own institution, since it is conceded to be as good as the best, and the charges are no higher than other first-class colleges.

The relations between the college and the church are so vital, and its benefits so manifest, that its progress and perpetuity must be regarded by all of paramount importance. Out of ninety-one ministers entering and remaining in the ministry of the Maryland Conference during the last twenty years, sixty have been for a longer or shorter time students of the college. For fifteen years about twenty-five hundred dollars have been given annually in tuition of the children of our ministers and to students in theology, besides the constant stream of educated men and women which for thirty-four years has flowed from this fountain, who, entering all the varied vocations of life, have lent honor and dignity to the church.

In view of these facts, the president of the college pleads with the church, through us, who are her representatives, for two things :

First—Partnership of obligation.

Second—Partnership of labors.

The immediate result of such partnership to be a concerted effort to raise such an endowment for Western Maryland College as will forever, if possible, put it beyond the peril of unavoidable contingencies and to make its foundations so strong as to convince the most sceptical of an assured future ; not forgetting in this that the church must by some means be made to feel that the obligation is a real one—that Methodist Protestants must, as far as possible, educate their children in a Methodist Protestant college.

This appeal for co-operation in the inception of a plan for the endowment comes with all the more grace when we remember that now for many years the Conference has made no appeal for financial aid for this

worthy cause, and that not one bequest has ever come to this institution in all of its wonderful history except the library of Dr. Ward. We therefore recommend :

First—That our ministry seek the opportunity to suggest to men of wealth, in their various charges, the propriety of remembering the college in the final distribution of their wealth, or before.

Second—That the first Sabbath after Thanksgiving be observed in all our churches and Sunday-schools as College Endowment Day; that collections be lifted for this purpose, and the money reported and forwarded to the treasurer of the college, to be invested by the board of trustees as an endowment fund.

Third—That we assure the Trustees of the College of our willingness to co-operate with them in any further plans which in their wisdom they may devise to enlarge the fund thus begun.

FRED. C. KLEIN, *Chairman.*

SUPPLEMENTARY REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON EDUCATION.

Your committee is much gratified at the excellent showing of the Westminster Theological Seminary as set forth in the report of its President, Rev. H. L. Elderdice. Especially to be noted is the graduating class of seven members, who will enter five of our conferences, thus indicating the extending influence and work of this institution.

The course of special lectures, material improvements, gifts to free scholarships and to needy students, and contributions to the library, all attest the spirit of progress on the part of the administration and the interest and liberality of its friends, which are heartily recommended.

We note with much sadness the death of two honored and loved members of the Board of Governors, L. W. Bates and W. J. C. Dulany, and recommend that the Conference ratify the election of E. J. Drinkhouse and T. Pliny Fisher to fill the vacancies.

We further recommend the adoption of the recommendations of the Board of Governors, as follows:

(a) The assignment of H. L. Elderdice and B. F. Benson for service during the ensuing year.

(b) That pastors and laymen give consideration to the claims of the library and scholarships.

(c) That there be special prayer in our churches that God may call more young men into the ministry.

(d) That a collection be lifted this evening to meet the deficiency in the assessment for the year just ended, amounting to \$172.92.

(e) That the assessment on the district be \$1,800.

FRED. C. KLEIN, *Chairman.*

REPORT OF THE BOARD OF GOVERNORS OF THE WEST-
MINSTER THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY.

Thirteen students are in the Seminary. Three of this number are from North Carolina, two from Ohio, one from West Virginia, one from New Jersey, one from New York, one from Pennsylvania and four from Maryland. The graduating class is composed of seven men, six of whom are college graduates, five having diplomas from Western Maryland College and one having the diploma of Adrian College, Michigan. Every one of these men will return to his own Conference. Maryland will receive J. H. Straughn; New Jersey, Clifford Kidd; Ohio, H. O. Lucas; West Virginia, C. C. Douglas, and North Carolina, A. G. Dixon, C. E. Forlines and H. J. Hartsell. This wide distribution of educated men is not only healthful in raising the standard of the ministry in the Conferences to which they go, but is widening the influence of the Seminary and multiplying the friends of this important institution.

In addition to the regular curriculum the students have had the benefit of a course of special lectures from S. B. Southerland, A. D. Melvin, D. L. Greenfield, F. T. Little, D. W. Anstine and J. L. Elderdice, of the Maryland Conference; J. C. Berrien, corresponding secretary of the Board of Ministerial Education; George Shaffer, of the Pittsburg Conference; W. D. Stultz, of the New Jersey Conference; W. H. Morris, secretary of the Y. M. C. A., Baltimore; Miss Margaret Kuhn, Missionary from Japan; Alfred Smith, of the Wilmington Conference of the Methodist Episcopal Church, and T. M. Beadenkoff, of the Canton Congregational Church, Baltimore.

Material improvements have continued so far as means allowed. The President's office, a lecture-room, Stockton Hall and the library have been papered, the library has been carpeted, Fawn Grove has furnished a student's room at a cost of \$25, Bedford has given \$50 for the furnishing of Stockton Hall, Eutaw gave \$4.04 on general improvements. Mt. Pleasant has completed payment on room reported last Conference, additional fruit trees have been planted and other improvements made.

It is gratifying to report that the interest in maintaining Free Scholarships at a cost of \$100 annually has continued. Six have been provided for this year—Trinity Church, \$100; J. D. Baker, \$100; Mrs. Anne E. Harris, \$100; N. T. Meginniss, \$100; North Carolina Friends, \$100, and W. J. C. Dulany, \$100. Lesser sums have been contributed for the aid of needy students—Gaven Spence, \$50, and two ladies, \$25 each. New Jersey churches and Chestertown have paid part of scholarships to be offered next year. A call has been made upon the Alumni of the Seminary to contribute annually \$1 or \$2 per member for the founding of a permanent Alumni Scholarship.

Professor Wills, W. H. Morris and Jesse Shreeve have made contributions to the Library; E. Bayley Bates has presented the library of his

grandfather, L. W. Bates, and William Dale has given \$30 for the purchasing of a set of Bible Dictionaries. There is still need of many more modern books.

We report with grief the deaths of L. W. Bates and W. J. C. Dulany, who have been faithful and efficient members of the Board of Governors from the organization of the Seminary. Their vacant places have been filled by the election of E. J. Drinkhouse and T. Pliny Fisher, subject to the ratification of this Conference.

The financial report shows a deficiency in this year's assessment on the Maryland Conference of \$172.92.

The Board of Governors recommends:

First—The assignment of H. L. Elderdice and B. F. Benson for service during the ensuing year.

Second—That pastors and laymen give consideration to the claims of the Library and Scholarships.

Third—That there be special prayer in our churches that God may call more young men into the ministry.

Fourth—That a collection be lifted to meet the deficiency in the assessment for the year just ended.

Fifth—That the assessment on the district be \$1,800.

Respectfully submitted,

BOARD OF GOVERNORS.

REPORT OF THE PRESIDENT OF WESTERN MARYLAND
COLLEGE.

To the Maryland Annual Conference

of the Methodist Protestant Church:

DEAR BRETHREN.—I herewith present to you the report of my work for the fifteenth year as President of the Western Maryland College. This year closes the thirty-fourth year of the continuous and successful operation of the College, and the fact that it has lived and prospered through the length of a human generation should excite in us all profound gratitude to God. Thirty-four years is a long time in the history of colleges of modern times. The first president of the College is gone; the first president of the Board of Trustees is gone; the first Agent is gone. James Thomas Ward, John Smith, Peter Light Wilson sleep with their fathers. And of the thirty-three charter members of the Board of Trustees only six remain. But their glory shall not fade. They live in the life of the College they built, and their works do follow them.

The College was begun in faith, and almost entirely without any other prospects of success. It has never received any endowment and but few gifts of any sort. Yet it has lived and grown, both in material equipment and

in reputation, until it stands today among the first and best in this State. Its material equipment has been the slow growth of scanty earnings due to careful and economical management, and represents a money value of one hundred and fifty thousand dollars, with only a debt represented by an annual interest charge of less than \$400. Its reputation has come as the reward of thorough and conscientious teaching and faithful discipline, regarding those entrusted to its care as neither too bad to be helped nor too good to be watched over. It enrolls annually two hundred and fifty students and twenty-one teachers. It has graduated more than five hundred young men and women, and has sent out hundreds of others from its courses at different stages of their academic career. Its courses of study have been so advanced that the best universities in this country are now admitting its graduates to the highest departments of post-graduate work on their diploma alone. Its students are filling positions of honor and responsibility in every profession, and there is scarcely a community in this State that has not felt the impulse of some life which this institution has helped to form. And in all this history the fair name of Western Maryland College has never been touched by the breath of scandal, showing conclusively, I think, that it is possible to train young men and women together in college as safely and successfully as in the home, if only common-sense methods prevail and an idea is not made a fad.

Of the ninety-one ministerial members of this Conference received during the last twenty years whose names are still on our roll, sixty have come from the halls of Western Maryland College. Besides these, our students are in hundreds of homes and churches in this State and in other States, making their influence felt and doing their work under the inspiration received at the College. An honored president of this Conference some years ago declared in his report that he found young men and women from the College in almost every church he visited, and always taking the lead in the best work and with the happiest results.

Besides these indirect benefits it is to be remembered that the College has made direct contributions to the Church of no mean proportions; it has always given free tuition to children of our ministers, and during the last fifteen years it has included in this benefit all young men preparing for the ministry. It has reduced the cost of board to the same class, and brought still further down the charge for board to seminary students, making possible the low rates charged in that institution. Last year fifty students shared in these benefits, and the total money contribution to the Church in this way by the College was not less than \$2,500, which is about an annual average.

These facts will indicate in a measure the relation of the College to the Conference. But, on the other hand, it cannot be said that the reciprocating activity of the Conference to the College has been equally great. The financial assistance received from the Conference has never been

large, and during the last fifteen years it has ceased altogether. When the effort was made in 1879 to pay the original debt of the College by contributions from the churches the net result was less than \$15,000. A mortgage of \$25,000 was executed to the Endowment Society of the Conference to cover this amount, and what was estimated to have been given prior to this. So that this represents the total cost to the Church of founding and successfully operating for thirty-four years a College of the rank and influence of Western Maryland. I believe the history of educational institutions will be searched in vain to discover a parallel.

I mention these facts not for the purpose of making an appeal for money, but to emphasize the significance of the great property we have acquired and the powerful engine of enlightenment God has entrusted us with, almost without financial cost to ourselves. My purpose is a much more serious business than an appeal for money. I appeal for a partnership in labors and responsibilities. I appeal for co-operation of all sorts that will enable us to meet successfully our constantly widening opportunities and demands. I appeal for sympathy that knows how to express itself, and for an intelligent recognition of the fact that a church cannot pay its debts to a college in one year nor in one generation, because when a college ceases to grow it must cease to live or to be worthy of living.

We have some helpful friends, and their helpfulness has been shown many times. We ought not to be unmindful of them in saying what it seems necessary now to say. But we have a great host of friends who only do nothing against us. I have long been puzzled to account for the remarkable increase of this host since I took charge of the College. Perhaps they think the College does not need any help. Verily, I have labored in vain if I have made this impression, and if you call this success I pray the Lord to save me from it. But whatever may be the explanation, here are some facts which must be considered.

Methodist Protestants have been dying all these thirty-four years, but no will has yet been probated containing a gift to the College except Dr. Ward's gift of his library. I know of no silence like unto this in Heaven or earth. A vast solitude of letting us alone during a whole generation!

We have enough Methodist Protestant children in other schools to make our roll twice as large as it is, and they would pay no more and get just as much if they were in their own school. Why are they not there? The fact is, startling as it may appear, the College would have to close its doors if it depended solely upon Methodist Protestant families for students if we did not find some way of securing more students from such families than we have been able to in the past.

To bring these facts before you is no more pleasant to me than it is to you to hear them, but it is time that this Conference should be aroused. We have a College which has been marvellously blessed of God and favored by strangers, while we ourselves have given it but a mite of our

money and not even our entire patronage. Have we given it our entire confidence? Is its management in hands that can be trusted? You can see how questions like these come home to me personally, but the result is too serious to be bounded by any personal considerations. I do not wish you to think that I despair of the College. I believe it has become so entrenched in the respect and confidence of its friends that even if the Church should become indifferent to it, it would still go on with its work to some degree. But I do confess to you that when I note the number of prominent members of our Church who find reasons for sending their children to other colleges, and the very few who feel prompted to invest money in the College of their own Church to a realization of the opportunities offered to it in this College and to a hearty co-operating it forward. I begin to think what has seemed successful in ten years is not success, so far as the Methodist Protestant is concerned, and that it is time for another hand to take the helm to this precious freightage. In respect to the personal aspect of this question, I would emphasize the importance of taking into immediate consideration the interests of the College and the duty of the Conference in re-

other forms which your activity might take, but the most permanent and far-reaching is that of endowment. A reasonable and most powerful for immediate results is. I will not intrude details of plans upon you and thus obviate the need of a committee, but I will say that on these two hang all the promise of the future, and if the Conference really feels that the success of the college is vital to its prosperity, I think you will enter into both these efforts without delay.

Respectfully submitted,

T. H. LEWIS, *President.*

REPORT OF THE EDUCATIONAL ENDOWMENT SOCIETY OF
THE METHODIST PROTESTANT CHURCH OF
BALTIMORE CITY.

BALTIMORE, March 29, 1901.

To the Maryland Annual Conference

of the Methodist Protestant Church.

This Society, in accordance with its charter, respectfully reports that no change during the year has occurred in its financial status and in its relation to Western Maryland College.

Respectfully submitted,

J. D. KINZER, *President.*

E. J. DRINKHOUSE, *Secretary.*

Report F.

REPORT OF THE BALTIMORE BOOK DIRECTORY.

To the Maryland Annual Conference:

DEAR BRETHREN—We submit a brief report of the business of the Book Concern and periodical under our charge for the fiscal year ending March 1st, 1901.

The closing month of the year brought us affliction and grief in the illness and death of our esteemed publishing agent, the late Mr. Wm. J. C. Dulany.

Mr. Dulany was a man of rare business abilities, sound judgment in fiscal affairs and tireless energy in the prosecution of his work. He loved business. It was his profession; he gave himself to it with the spirit and devotion of a master, and as a result, achieved large and creditable success therein.

For twenty-six years he faithfully served the Church as Book Agent and Publisher, and we cheerfully bear appreciative testimony to his long and valuable services in this department of our church work.

To meet the emergency occasioned by the death of Mr. Dulany the Directory elected F. T. Tagg, D.D., editor of the METHODIST PROTESTANT, to fill the office of publisher. It seems proper to say here that it is not the intention of the Directory to continue this burden on the shoulders of the editor longer than the exigencies of the situation may demand, but to find another to fill the place as soon as matters shape themselves more definitely for the future of our business.

Arrangements have been made by which our business, for the present, will be continued in connection with the Dulany Company. We are pleased to report our business as making a much better financial showing than for the preceding year. This is largely due, however, to the very decided reduction which the Directory felt called upon to make in the expense account over that of the previous year. In volume of business we have about held our own. Our book sales are meager and have made no improvement over former years. The increase in the circulation of our Sunday-School literature for the year has been so small as to be scarcely appreciable, while the circulation of the METHODIST PROTESTANT shows a slight falling off, particularly in the Maryland District. There should be no rival of the official church paper in the hearts and homes of Methodist Protestants anywhere. Nevertheless, the presence of local Annual Conference papers in many districts to which we must look for patronage, and the diligent circulation throughout all our territory of semi-religious periodicals at extremely low subscription price, with premium offers thrown in (made possible by large advertising patronage from which the official organ is cut off), make a competition which we are ill-prepared at all times to meet. We can only renew our oft-repeated appeal to the loyalty of our preachers and people to stand by *our own* Official

Organ and give hearty co-operation to the editor and Directory in strengthening this arm of the Church by increasing the number of subscribers in each charge.

The Thank-Offering Fund grows apace. Its condition will be fully reported by the agent. It, therefore, seems only necessary for this report to state that there has been one meeting of the Directory and the committee of this Conference during the year. The situation was carefully gone over at that joint meeting, and the result of our deliberations embodied in a circular letter which was published in the *PROTESTANT*. We are prepared to advance in the direction of purchasing a building whenever the cash in hand may safely justify the move.

THE BALTIMORE BOOK DIRECTORY.

COMMITTEE ON LITERATURE.

Your Committee on Literature begs leave to report as follows:

1. *Book Directory*.—We have examined the report of the Book Directory submitted to us, and we have also been favored with valuable information from persons closely connected with the concern. With unfeigned sorrow we have learned of the death of Wm. J. C. Dulany, who, for twenty-six years, faithfully served the church as Agent and Publisher; and we take pleasure in recording our sincere appreciation of his rare business qualifications and of the valuable service he so cheerfully rendered in this department of our church work. We desire to express our cordial sympathy with the entire church in the loss it has sustained in the death of Mr. Dulany.

We commend the wisdom of the Directory in the appointment of Dr. F. T. Tagg as the temporary Agent in this sudden emergency in our publishing interests; but in view of the grave responsibility and the press of work already resting upon Dr. Tagg as Editor of the *METHODIST PROTESTANT*, we suggest the importance of an early election of a permanent Agent. We commend the careful business management of the Directory, which enables it to make a better financial showing than that of the previous year; but we deplore the fact that there has not been that increase in book sales nor in the circulation of the *METHODIST PROTESTANT* and Sunday-school literature that might reasonably have been expected.

2. *The Twentieth Century Fund*.—It is with much gratification that we learn that the Agent of the Twentieth Century Fund, Dr. F. T. Tagg, has secured over \$12,000 of the proposed fund of \$20,000. In our judgment there is no more important matter before the church now than the completion of this fund and its application to the purchase of a suitable home for the publication interests of the church; and we recommend that the present agent, who has already attained such a high degree of success in this field, proceed as early as practicable to complete his canvass of the entire Maryland district in soliciting contributions to this fund.

3. *The "Methodist Protestant."*—It is the cause of deep regret that the METHODIST PROTESTANT does not enjoy a liberal support, not so much on account of the financial loss as for the fact that hundreds of families and thousands of members are without the denominational organ of our church. We believe that the regular reading of the church paper makes loyal members, alive to all the interests of the church, and willing contributors to all of its departments. Therefore, we feel warranted in urging upon both ministry and laity the necessity for strong and persistent effort to place the METHODIST PROTESTANT in every home in their respective charges.

Your committee is pleased to report that the Editor has conducted the paper at a high standard of excellence; in form, in the character of its contributions, and in the spirit that animates it, the METHODIST PROTESTANT is eminently worthy as an exponent of the Gospel of Jesus Christ as proclaimed by the Methodist Protestant Church.

We venture to suggest that a systematic method of reporting local church news would result in an increased interest in the paper on every charge.

4. *Sunday School Literature.*—Under the able editorial management of Dr. C. E. Wilbur our Sunday School publications allow no excuse to any of our schools for the use of lesson helps published elsewhere. We would urge upon every Methodist Protestant Sunday School the necessity and the duty of using our own literature; and all may be reminded that a liberal support will enable the publisher still further to improve our lesson helps, already so excellent. We realize, however, the need of a lesson paper to fill the gap between the paper called *Our Children* and the *Quarterly*, a small illustrative paper, similar to those used for the intermediate grades by other denominations, would make our series of Sunday School helps all that could be desired and leave no cause of complaint to any. If an additional paper is impracticable, we would suggest that a suitable intermediate department be added to the *Quarterly*; a separate paper, however, is greatly preferred.

5. *The New Hymnal.*—We have been informed by the Committee on the new Church Hymnal that the book is ready for the printer, and that the work will be on sale in the early fall. We have reason to believe that the Committee has done its work well, and that the new hymnal will be highly satisfactory to the entire church; and we express the hope that every congregation will provide an ample supply of hymnals to its members. The making of a new hymnal for our church is a large and expensive undertaking, and merits the most liberal support.

6. *Books.*—Your Committee feels it to be its duty to call attention to that valuable work, the "History of Methodist Reform," by the Rev. E. J. Drinkhouse, D.D. In the words of a former Committee, we would say: "The book deserves a wider recognition than it has yet received. It is

the product of a life time of painstaking research. It is the only accurate history of the Methodism of Wesley yet published in this country. Its facts are indisputable; its spirit kind, its style chaste, its Mission work world-wide." Certainly this book should be in the library of every minister in the Methodist Protestant Church, and in every home where its purchase is possible.

J. W. TROUT, *Chairman.*

Report G.

REPORT OF SPECIAL COMMITTEE ON SUSTENTATION FUND (1900).

Your committee, to whom was referred papers respecting Sustentation Fund, reports:

1. While your committee is in hearty sympathy with any feasible plan to secure a minimum salary of \$600 for our married ministers, and believes that this should be the endeavor of this conference. It is our judgment that a Sustentation Fund independent of our Church Extension Society cannot be at this time inaugurated, as the Church Extension Society has since its beginning been used for the purpose of aiding weak churches in raising the salaries of the ministers sent to them.

And since it has been demonstrated that the churches are already assessed for that purpose as much and even more than they will pay, it does not seem to us wise or feasible to lay another assessment for ministerial support.

But to emphasize the importance of the subject, and secure for it the continued interest it merits, your committee recommends:

1. That the President of the conference, who, by our standing rule, is the Committee on Plan of Appointments, shall do what he can to secure as a minimum salary \$600 to ministers with families, who have been itinerating in the Maryland Conference for five years.

2. That each minister shall report as salary received, in addition to the amount paid him on salary by the Church Extension Society, or by the President of the conference as the agent of the various benevolent societies of the church—that the church may have credit for the full amount paid.

3. For the carrying out of these provisions, we submit the following resolutions:

1. The Manual of the Maryland Annual Conference, "Duties of the President," Rule 2, be amended by adding "And he shall use his utmost effort with the Quarterly Conferences of the various charges to secure a salary of not less than \$600 for the minister with family, appointed as pastor, who has itinerated five years within the bounds of the Maryland Conference; and he shall urge upon the various charges the prompt payment of the salaries of the pastors."

2. Resolved, That the Secretary of the conference shall arrange the blanks for reports; that the pastors shall state amount of salary received from the charges, and the additional amount received on salary from other sources.

Report H.**REPORT OF SPECIAL COMMITTEE ON CHANGES IN PRINTED MINUTES.**

Your committee on Publication of Minutes and Statistics, to which was referred the matter of charges and condensation of the printed minutes, submit the following:

1. We recommend changing the "Dead Roll," allowing one line to each name, giving name, date of birth, date of admission to Conference and date of death,

2. We recommend that the tabulated reports of the Church Extension, Educational and General Home Missions Stewards, found on pages 52, 79 and 80 of the Minutes, be left out of the printed minutes of this year. The same information is found in the Conference Steward's Report on page 108. Also, eliminate report DD of the Conference Steward's Report on page 87.

3. Strike out the column on page 117, headed "Amount raised for local interest," there being a column on same page headed "Amount paid for local interests," which covers the same information.

4. Strike out columns in Membership Statistics headed "Received from Probationers," "Received by Certificate" and "Received on Profession of Faith," and insert "Received During the Year." Also, strike out column headed "Now on Roll"—there being another column headed "Members." Strike out columns headed "In School" and "In Congregation" and substitute simply the heading "No. of Conversions."

Strike out column in property statistics headed "Our S.-S. Papers Taken." Also columns headed "Volumes in S.-S. Library" and "Rental Value of Parsonage," and consolidate the columns headed "Insurance on Church Property" and "Insurance on Parsonage Property" into one column headed "Insurance on Church and Parsonage Property."

5. Take out of Christian Endeavor Statistics four columns relating to Senior Societies. Also, the columns headed "Corresponding Secretaries and Junior Superintendents," and the heading "Number of Meetings Held."

6. As there seems to be a general opinion that the Conference Sermon is read by comparatively few, as it appears in the printed minutes, we therefore recommend that the Conference Sermon be omitted from the Minutes, but published in the **METHODIST PROTESTANT**.

DORSEY BLAKE, *Chairman*.

Report I.**MINUTES AND REPORT OF THE MUTUAL RELIEF ASSOCIATION.**

The Mutual Relief Association met in annual session in Easton, Md., April 14th, 1901, President of the Conference presiding. Minutes read and approved. Roll call.

Secretary and treasurer read his report, which, on motion, was adopted. On motion the report was referred to an auditing committee composed of the following members: B. F. Benson, A. W. Mather and J. L. Mills.

A resolution was adopted authorizing the secretary to call upon all lapsed members and collect their mortuary dues.

Adjourned to meet at the call of the President.

April 5th. 1901, the Association met at the call of the President. On motion Dr. J. J. Murray was called to the chair.

The first business in order was the report of the auditing committee, which reported as follows:

REPORT.

Your committee appointed to audit the accounts of the secretary and treasurer of the Mutual Relief Association, having carefully examined the vouchers and accounts of the same, beg leave to report them in good form and correct. Report adopted.

Rev. B. F. Benson offered the following resolution:

"*Resolved*, That the secretary, on or before the first day of May, 1901, shall call upon every member of the Association for the entrance fee of \$1.00." Adopted.

The Constitution, Article 5, was amended to read: "There shall be an entrance fee of \$1.00, and upon the death of a member of the Association, etc."

A section was also added to read as follows:

Section 3. "The secretary shall notify every member who fails to pay within thirty days his mortuary dues that he has lapsed and can be reinstated by remitting, within ten days after lapsing, his dues."

It was recommended that another article be added to the Constitution to be known as Article 6.

Article 6. "That officers of the Association shall constitute a Board of Managers, with power to interpret the Constitution in the interim of Conference, and to fill all vacancies," which, upon motion, was adopted.

A resolution, offered by A. W. Mather, that every member who has lapsed who will pay his dues during this session of Conference be reinstated. was adopted.

A resolution offered by A. W. Mather and B. F. Benson that the secretary and treasurer be allowed the amount of dues for himself and wife as compensation for his services, was adopted.

On motion the secretary was authorized to cast the ballot for the following officers: First vice-president, B. F. Benson; second vice-president, J. L. Mills; third vice-president, T. O. Crouse; secretary and treasurer, J. A. Weigand.

J. A. WEIGAND, *Secretary*.

REPORT OF THE SECRETARY-TREASURER OF THE MARYLAND
ANNUAL CONFERENCE MUTUAL RELIEF ASSOCIATION
FOR THE YEAR ENDING APRIL 3, 1901.

173 members paid in case of Rev. G. J. Smith.....	\$173 00
Expense of collecting.....	6 95
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Paid Mrs. G. J. Smith, (see receipts).....	\$166 05
Four members lapsed in Rev. G. J. Smith's case.	
Due Mrs. G. J. Smith by lapsed members.....	4 00
158 members paid in case of Rev. H. J. Day.....	158 00
Expense of collecting.....	3 16
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Paid Mrs. H. J. Day, (see receipts).....	\$1 56
Twelve members lapsed in Rev. H. J. Day's case.	
Due Mrs. H. J. Day by lapsed members.....	12 00
154 members paid in case of Mrs. J. L. Elderdice.....	154 00
Expense of collecting.....	2 60
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Paid Rev. J. L. Elderdice, (see receipts).....	\$151 40
Five members lapsed in case of Mrs. J. L. Elderdice.	
Due Rev. J. L. Elderdice by lapsed members.....	5 00
148 members paid in case of Mrs. Jesse Shreeve.....	148 00
Expense of collecting.....	2 70
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Paid Rev. Jesse Shreeve, (see receipts).....	\$145 30
Three members lapsed in case of Mrs. Jesse Shreeve.	
Due Rev. Jesse Shreeve by lapsed members.....	3 00
138 members paid in case of Rev. W. G. Holmes.....	138 00
Expense of collecting.....	2 55
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Paid to Mrs. Jennie Wright, (see receipts).....	\$135 45
Eleven members lapsed in case of Rev. W. G. Holmes.	
Due Mrs. Jennie Wright by lapsed members.....	11 00
136 members paid in case of Rev. L. W. Bates.....	136 00
Expense of collecting.....	2 50
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Paid E. Bayley Bates, (see receipts).....	\$133 50
One member lapsed in case of Rev. L. W. Bates.	
Due E. Bayley Bates by lapsed member.....	1 00
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RECAPITULATION.	
Total collections for year.....	\$907 00
Total incidental expenses.....	20 46
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Total paid beneficiaries.....	\$886 54

Present number of members:	
Members of Conference.....	78
Wives of members.....	51
Widows.....	7
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Total.....	136
Total lapsed members during the year.....	36
Total amount due beneficiaries.....	\$36 00

Twenty-nine members of Conference made no response to notification for mortuary dues.

Five members of Conference declined to have their names enrolled.

Assets, \$63.43.

This amount was donated by the old Mutual Relief Association and is deposited in the Westminster Savings Bank.

Respectfully submitted,

J. A. WEIGAND, *Secretary-Treasurer.*

Report J.

REPORT OF SECRETARY ON TIME LIMIT.

Vote—For the limit, 1,077. Against the limit, 2,263.

Majority against limit, 1,186.

Report K.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON OFFICIAL CHARACTER.

The Committee on Official Character begs leave to submit the following report:

In the case of Rev. W. O. Livingston, who refused to serve the charge to which he was assigned last Conference, your committee finds that it was an act of insubordination under extenuating circumstances.

We therefore recommend that his course be condoned, provided he apologizes to the President of the Conference and promises to do so no more.

Your Committee has also, in addition, carefully gone over the blanks of the various charges and find them correct, except in the following instances: The pastor of Holly Run fails to answer the question, "How many new subscribers to the METHODIST PROTESTANT have you obtained during the year?" The following charges did not provide Disciplines for new members received: Liberty, Second Church, Wilmington, Warwick Greenwood, Lawsonia, Kempton, Heathsville, Christ Church, Holly

Run, Quantico, Deer Park, Bel Air, Nichol's Memorial, Snow Hill and Keen Memorial.

An increased circulation of the METHODIST PROTESTANT is of such vital importance we have thought it proper to give the names of those pastors who have secured five or more new subscribers during the year: S. B. Tredway, 14; H. L. Schlincke, 11; J. A. Wright, 11; A. N. Ward, 10; J. W. Kirk, 8; J. D. Kinzer, 7; L. F. Warner, 7; G. W. Hines, 6; C. M. Compher, 5; A. W. Mather, 5.

Rev. W. M. Poisal requests to be left without an appointment for one year, and Rev. G. D. Edmondson asks for a supernumery relation.

We recommend that their requests be granted.

All of which is respectfully submitted,

J. L. STRAUGHN, *Chairman.*

Report L.

[*This report should have appeared in printed Minutes of last year, but was inadvertently left out.*]

REPORT OF SPECIAL COMMITTEE ON AFFAIRS OF THE NORTH CAROLINA AVENUE CHURCH, WASHINGTON, D. C.

To the Maryland Annual Conference:

Your committee was appointed at the last Conference when the affairs of the North Carolina Avenue Church were believed to be seriously, if not critically, endangered. With great liberality and confidence the Conference agreed to commit the whole matter to the hands of the committee, and to place the sum of \$1,500 in their hands without requiring of them an explanation of plans or specific pledges, since it was thought that important financial operations might be embarrassed by public discussion. The committee takes pleasure in saying that a full report of all matters in their hands is now to be made the Conference, and it asks for a committee of audit for their accounts.

On a lot containing about 4,000 square feet at North Carolina avenue and Eighth street in East Washington, about fifteen minutes' walk from the Capitol, the erection of a stone church was begun in 1896 under a contract price of \$19,987.50. The committee found the building unfinished, the contractor having failed in business. He had received \$14,000 on his contract, the building was exposed to the weather and had already suffered considerable damage, and the lowest estimate from a builder for finishing the building was \$4,860. Material was advancing every week, and no contract could be made without a condition covering this advance. Besides the \$14,000 paid the contractor the church had paid \$3,091 for interest and other expenses connected with loans, and they had on hand \$2,918.21, an unexpended balance of the last loan. Thus the church had raised in all for this enterprise \$20,009.21, of which \$15,000 was by a mortgage at six per cent. on the property.

The debt of the church was then \$15,000 mortgage, \$2,921 claimed by parties furnishing material to the contractor and \$4,860 required to finish the church. The first attention of the committee was given to these claims for material. After the most careful examination by the committee itself and by able legal counsel it was found that no obligation in law or equity rested on the church for these bills. They were for material furnished the contractor, who had received from the church the full amount of payment due him, and, indeed, an advance over what was due him. Any claims, therefore, must come against him and not against the church, which would otherwise be required to pay for the material twice.

The committee, however, desiring to save the innocent holders of these claims from total loss, offered to distribute among them the difference between the contract price and whatever lower price the church might be finished for. Estimating on the lowest proposal, we found that enough would be left to pay about twenty-five cents on the dollar to these claims, and we so offered. One or two of the parties have accepted, and have been paid. Others have said they expected to get their money, not from us, but from the bonding company, while others have issued liens against the church property. Our attorney assures us that we are in no danger, and the matter must rest as it is until determined by the court. The first thing the committee did was to readjust the debt. A new mortgage was given for \$12,000, and this was placed at four and one-half per cent. With this amount, and the balance unexpended of the old mortgage, increased by a portion of the money in the hands of the committee, the old mortgage was paid.

The next step was to put the building in such shape that it might be protected from the weather and made ready for use. To do this the committee has expended \$1,044, and the church has raised \$2,038.09. With these amounts the outside of the building has been completed, the basement has been finished and occupied since the fall, and the auditorium has the windows in and is finished, except the inside trimmings. To complete the structure according to the original plans would cost about \$1,800. it is estimated, although it may be more than this, owing to the advance in the price of material.

To meet the requirements of the committee the following monies have been available:

The Conference placed in our hands a subscription	
from ministers and charges amounting to.....	\$1,553 55
Home Missionary Society appropriated.....	300 00
Church Extension Society appropriated.....	500 00
Received unexpended balance of old mortgage on	
church.....	2,918 21
Abatements and interest on same.....	65 21
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Total resources.....	\$5,336 97

The committee has paid out the following:

To reduce mortgage	\$3,000 00
On completing the building.....	1,044 00
Interest on old mortgage.....	450 00
Interest on new mortgage to May 10, 1900.....	519 00
Settlement of old claim.....	73 50
Expenses of rearrangement of debt, insurance, etc.	151 65
Total expended.....	<u>\$5,238 15</u>

Of the resources of the committee the following have been realized:

From Conference subscription.....	\$1,352 55
From Home Missionary Society.....	200 00
Unexpended balance, as above reported.....	2,918 21
Abatements and interest on same.....	65 21
Total received.....	<u>\$4,535 97</u>

It will be perceived that the committee has been obliged to advance \$702.18 to meet pressing claims that could not be deferred. This was due to the fact that the appropriation of the Church Extension Society was not available until this Conference, and that subscribers to the Conference fund did not pay their subscription. The committee hopes and expects that the Conference will order the whole appropriation of the Church Extension Society paid at this session, and that the amount yet due of subscriptions will be realized. That amount now is \$201, and some of these subscribers are not ready to meet the obligation. The committee is seriously embarrassed by this fact. They understood that the subscription was worth one hundred cents on the dollar, and they made their arrangements and expenditures on the faith of this. They do not feel, however, that they can press the matter, and it is a delicate matter for them to refer to individually. Still something should be done to meet the deficiency.

The present state of the case.

North Carolina Avenue Church is now completed except the inside trimmings of the auditorium. The basement is regularly used by the congregation, which has grown to a regular attendance of between two and three hundred. The Sunday-School is in a prosperous condition. The current expenses of the church and the general assessments by the Conference have all been met, and \$16 in excess, and the congregation has raised during the year in addition about \$2,000 for the building. The debt of the church is a mortgage of \$12,000 at four and one-half per cent, the interest of which is paid to May, 1900. The church is insured for \$15,000, the premium on which is paid to May, 1903. The deed of the property is held by the Church Extension Society.

The committee now owes money advanced, \$702.18. Interest payable May 10, \$270 00—\$972.18.

To pay this will require the entire amount appropriated by the Church Extension Society—\$500—at this Conference; the amount from Home Missionary Society, \$100, and the payment in full of subscriptions made at last Conference, \$200. In addition to this we must have from some source about \$200 at once.

Of course the committee assumes that the Conference will continue the appropriation of \$500 and the Home Missionary Society of \$300.

T. H. LEWIS, *Chairman.*

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON THE AFFAIRS OF THE
NORTH CAROLINA AVENUE CHURCH, WASHINGTON, D. C.

The committee hereby submits to the Conference its second and final report. The affairs of the church are now on such a satisfactory basis that the committee thinks it may be discharged from any further responsibility, as the church is fully able now to take charge of its own affairs. But in taking final leave of this agreeable duty the committee would suggest to the Conference and to the church one or two suggestions, which in its judgment will prove beneficial to its continued progress.

FINANCIAL STATEMENT OF THE TREASURER OF THE COMMITTEE.

Received during the present year since the last Conference:	
Church Extension Society.....	\$500 00
Subscriptions	325 00
Home Missionary Board, balance of appropriation of last year.....	100 00
On appropriation of this year.....	250 00
	\$1,175 00
Balance due treasurer at close of last Conference.....	\$775 00
Interest on mortgage paid during the year.....	540 00
Paid lumber bill.....	686 30
	\$2,001 48
Total.....	\$2,001 48
Receipts during the year.....	1,175 00
	\$826 48
Balance due treasurer.....	
To meet this balance the following assets may be reckoned:	
Due from Home Missionary Society.....	\$ 50 00
Due from Church Extension Society	500 00
Due from unpaid subscriptions.....	111 00
	\$661 00
Balance unprovided for.....	\$165 48

The North Carolina Avenue Church has agreed to take care of this balance, so that the Conference need not take any further action in the matter. As to the unpaid subscriptions, the treasurer feels responsible to the Conference for them, and must return the account to the Conference. If the names are desired they can be given, but in some way the treasurer would like to be relieved of further responsibility. The proper notice has been given privately, and all that may be expected in this way has perhaps been realized.

The church has been completed during the year and is now being occupied both in the Sunday-school room and in the auditorium. There has been expended on its completion during the past year \$4,105.21, of which amount the church has raised \$3,418.91. The balance has been paid by our treasurer out of subscriptions received and other funds in hand.

The entire cost of the improvements have been paid, except the balance reported due the treasurer, \$165.48, and this has been provided for.

There are no other debts upon the church of any sort except the mortgage for \$12,000, which was executed last year. This mortgage was placed at four and one-half per cent, but the bank was induced recently by a consideration of the increase of the value of the property, and the evident success of the movement there, to reduce the interest charge to four and one-sixth per cent., making the annual interest charge \$500.

The deed for the property has been executed to the Church Extension Society of this Conference, and was passed over to the Conference at its last session.

We make the following recommendations:

1. That the Conference strongly advise the church not to make any debt for any purpose.
2. We recommend that the Conference apply to the Board of Home Missions and request the member of the Board from this Conference, Rev. J. M. Sheridan, to present it to the Board at its next meeting, for a continuance of the appropriation reduced to \$250 for this church.
3. We recommend that the Church Extension Society of this Conference appropriate \$250 for this church.
4. We recommend that these appropriations be made on the condition that the church pay \$500 this year on the principal of its debt.
5. We recommend that Mr. J. N. Warfield be requested to act as the treasurer to receive these appropriations and pay the interest on the mortgage.

Respectfully submitted,

T. H. LEWIS, *Chairman.*

Report M.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON CREDENTIALS.

To the Maryland Annual Conference:

Your Committee on Credentials would respectfully report that we have examined the certificates of election of delegates and find them correct.

J. E. NICHOLSON, *Chairman.*

Report N.

REPORT OF TREASURER OF GENERAL CONFERENCE FUND.

Receipts.

Accomac	\$ 1 65	Easton	\$ 4 00
Alexandria.....	3 00	Elizabeth.....	.....
Alnut Memorial.....	.....	Eutaw	1 84
Amelia.....	.....	Evergreen.....	50
Baltimore Circuit.....	1 80	Fairfax	80
Bedford	3 00	Fairfield.....	2 50
Bethany.....	1 00	Fawn Grove.....	2 00
Broadway	2 00	Felton	1 80
Beaver Dam.....	50	Finksburg.....	.....
Brooklyn	1 50	First Church, Washington...	2 50
Belair.....	2 50	Fox Hill .....	.....
Cambridge.....	2 46	Franklin City.....	2 00
Campbell.....	.....	Frederica.....	.....
Caroline.....	.....	Frederick	2 00
Cecil	3 00	Georgetown, D. C.....	5 00
Central.....	2 50	Georgetown, Del.....	1 50
Centreville	2 00	Georgetown Circuit.....	1 00
Chesapeake	1 80	Greenwood.....	.....
Chestertown.....	4 20	Grove .....	.....
Chincoteague.....	1 50	Hampden .....	.....
Christ.....	50	Harper's Ferry.....	1 00
Clayton	2 00	Harrington.....	2 00
Concord	2 50	Holly Run.....	1 50
Conquest .....	.....	Howard .....	.....
Crisfield.....	3 00	Hurlock's.....	1 00
Crumpton.....	1 20	Jefferson.....	4 50
Cumberland.....	1 80	Kemptown .....	.....
Clinton Avenue.....	.....	Kennedyville.....	1 50
Deer Creek.....	1 20	Kent Island.....	1 80
Deer Park.....	1 50	Laurel	3 20
Delmar.....	2 00	Lawsonia.....	.....
Denton.....	50	Lewistown .....	.....
Delta	1 80	Liberty.....	2 00
Dorchester	2 00	Lisbon	3 00
Dover.....	1 80	Lynchburg.....	.....
East Baltimore.....	4 00	Mardela.....	1 00

Receipts.

Mariners	\$2 00	Seaford	\$ 2 00
Middleway	1 00	South Baltimore.....	2 00
Millville .....	.....	Starr.....	5 50
Milton .....	.....	Stewartstown.....	1 80
Mt. Nebo.....	1 20	St. James'.....	3 00
Mt. Tabor.....	2 00	St. John's, Canton.....	1 00
Newark.....	5 50	St. Luke's.....	2 50
New Market.....	2 50	St. Michael's.....	1 50
Nichol's Memorial .....	.....	Susquehanna	2 50
North Baltimore.....	.....	Sussex.....	2 00
North Carolina Avenue	1 80	Snow Hill.....	1 80
Oak Grove	2 00	Talbot.....	1 00
Oxford.....	2 00	Trinity	2 50
Parksley.....	1 35	Union Bridge.....	2 00
Patapsco.....	50	Union.....	2 50
Payson Street	1 00	Violetsville.....	50
Pipe Creek.....	2 00	Waltersville.....	1 50
Pottsville.....	1 20	Warwick .....	.....
Pocomoke City.....	.....	Waverly.....	80
Pocomoke Circuit.....	1 50	West Baltimore.....	.....
Potomac.....	1 50	Westminster	5 00
Powellville	1 50	Williamsport.....	.....
Quantico.....	1 20	Wilmington.....	1 00
Queen Anne's.....	1 20	West Wilmington .....	.....
Reliance.....	1 20	Wicomico.....	.....
Remington.....	.....	Wye.....	1 00
Rowlandsville.....	1 20		
Salisbury.....	2 00	Total receipts.....	\$192 10
Salem.....	1 20		

Expenditures.

J. L. Straughn.....	\$ 6 00	J. D. Kinzer.....	\$ 6 00
G. T. Adkinson.....	8 60	J. R. Caton.....	7 00
S. Vannort.....	7 65	F. T. Tagg.....	5 40
W. M. Strayer.....	8 40	T. O. Crouse.....	5 00
A. D. Melvin.....	5 40	J. M. Sheridan.....	5 40
F. T. Little.....	5 40	Dr. J. W. Hering.....	3 50
T. A. Murray.....	6 50	W. J. C. Dulany.....	6 50
H. L. Elderdice	6 00	T. M. Johnson.....	5 00
E. B. Riffin.....	6 50	Postage, receipts, revenue	
W. S. Hammond	5 40	stamps, etc.....	3 70
T. H. Lewis.....	6 90		
W. B. Usilton	5 00	Total expenditures.....	\$141 10
J. N. Warfield.....	10 60	Balance.....	\$44 50
T. P. Fisher.....	5 25		

F. T. TAGG, *Treasurer.*

Report O.**REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON SUNDAY-SCHOOLS.**

Your Committee on Sabbath-Schools respectfully submits the following report:

We recognize the importance of the Sunday-school work to the Church, and believe that a progressive school assures a prosperous Church.

First—We recommend the use of our own Sunday-school literature, because it is the *best* for our own teachers and scholars.

Second—We recommend the holding of district and circuit conventions; the district conventions to be held annually within the bounds of said district, and the county conventions wherever practicable.

Third—In view of awakening a deep and abiding interest in the hearts of the young people, we recommend that the first Sunday in July be known and observed as "Decision Day," and that our pastors, co-operating with the officers and teachers, seek to lead the unsaved scholars to confess Christ as their Saviour. We emphasize the necessity of having professing Christians as teachers in all our schools, and likewise the importance of maintaining the Sunday-school work throughout the entire year.

Finally, we suggest as our motto for the twentieth century—A Sunday-School in Every Church, a Decision Day in Every School.

J. McLANE BROWN, *Chairman.*

BOUNDARIES OF SUNDAY SCHOOL DISTRICTS.

1. All charges east of the Susquehanna river and north of and including Queen Anne's county, Md., and Clayton, Del., to constitute the first district.
2. All charges in Maryland south of Queen Anne's county and north of the Wicomico River, to constitute the second.
3. All charges in Delaware south of Clayton to constitute the third.
4. All charges on the Peninsula south of the Wicomico River to constitute the fourth.
5. All charges west of the Susquehanna River and east of Westminster and Lisbon, including Baltimore city, to constitute the fifth.
6. The charges in the District of Columbia and Virginia to constitute the sixth.
7. All charges west of and including Westminster and Lisbon to be included in the seventh.

Report P.**REPORT OF THE BALTIMORE CITY CHURCH EXTENSION SOCIETY.**

In presenting the Report of the Baltimore City Church Extension Society for the year just closed we are gratified to call your attention to the encouraging work done by the churches under our care, and the success attending the efforts of the Society in meeting its obligations made

to this Conference at its annual session, one year ago. The pastors of Bethany and Waverly, Revs. T. R. Woodford and J. F. Bryan, have been attentive to their duties, and have labored earnestly and conscientiously for the advancement of the work in their respective churches.

At Bethany there have been three conversions and nineteen members received into the Church. They have raised for all purposes \$1,008. We are pleased to report that this Church now proposes to become a self-sustaining charge, assuming the responsibilities of the ground rent and other expenses so long paid by the Baltimore City Church Extension Society. Action has been taken toward deeding the property to the Trustees, and the counsel for the Church Extension Society, Mr. T. A. Murray, is preparing the papers for said transfer. Much credit is due Rev. T. R. Woodford for this advanced step taken by the Church. We earnestly hope it will give inspiration and impetus to the work, and that Bethany will enter upon a new era of prosperity.

Rev. J. F. Bryan has done excellent work during his three years' pastorate at Waverly. Peace and harmony prevail in the congregation. The Sunday-school is doing well. The Christian Endeavor Societies are prosperous. There have been during the year twenty-eight conversions and twenty-four accessions to the Church membership. Improvements have been made on the parsonage to the amount of \$40. We hope Waverly will assume one-half the ground rent for the ensuing year, and that this will be followed by steps similar to those taken by Bethany, and that at an early day this Church will also be self-supporting. The entire indebtedness of the Society has been met according to agreement with this Conference one year ago.

The Baltimore City Church Extension Society was organized thirteen and a-half years ago. The object in the organization of the Society was to establish new churches and assist in the extension of our denomination within the limits of Baltimore city.

Waverly and Bethany have been built, North Baltimore has been aided from its incipiency to within one year ago, and other missions have been assisted.

A careful investigation into the work of the Society shows the following: Since its organization there has been raised independently of all Annual Conference appropriations \$6,704.97, an average of \$496.66 per year.

The last six years of the Society's work there has been raised \$2,829.24, an average of \$471.37 per year.

The last year the sum of \$984 has been raised. These figures do not include large contributions and donations in material and work given in the erection of Waverly and Bethany Churches.

In addition to all this the Society heartily co-operated three years ago in the bazar held in the interest of Brooklyn Church, in which over \$800 was secured, which met the crisis and saved that splendid church building.

We speak not in the spirit of boasting, but in justice to those who have labored earnestly and faithfully in this cause, and in gratitude to God for the privilege of being permitted to labor in His vineyard. In the facts and figures we have stated what the Society has accomplished on the material side. The work accomplished in the faithful preaching of the Gospel in these churches, the hundreds of souls converted, and the many children taught in the Sunday-schools is beyond all estimate.

The future of the Society rests with this Conference. At your bidding we are ready to stop or go forward. Let it be said in conclusion the Society can do effective and successful and satisfactory work only with the sympathy, co-operation and support of this Conference.

We request that the Conference appoint a pastor to Waverly under the advice and direction of this Society.

J. M. SHERIDAN, *President.*

Application Blank for Aid from the Church Extension Society.

1. Name of charge.
2. Name of pastor.
3. Name of delegate.
4. Number of members.
5. How many conversions during the year?
6. How many accessions during the year?
7. How many Sunday-school scholars?
8. Have you a Christian Endeavor Society?
9. What plan have you for raising money?
10. How long will you need aid?

REPORT OF THE CHURCH EXTENSION COMMITTEE.

Your committee has carefully considered all interest involved, and respectfully submit the following report:

We have read with a great deal of interest the report of the Baltimore City Church Extension Society and heartily commend their work, and are highly gratified with the success of the churches under their control. We believe our new church enterprises in Baltimore city can be most judiciously managed by the society.

We recommend that the request in regard to the pastor of Waverly Church be granted, and the report as a whole be adopted.

We recommend that the item of the report of the committee on new church enterprise, referred to us, be adopted and an appropriation of \$250 be placed in the hands of the Baltimore City Church Extension Society, to be used for Christ Church, if in their judgment, it is advisable to build.

We recommend the following as to boundaries:

BOUNDARIES.

1. That the action of Campbell Charge in dropping Oak Grove be approved.
2. That the relation of Epworth appointment (Crumpton Charge) be determined by the President.
3. That Cecil Circuit be divided, and that Bayview, Bethel and Mount Olivet be known as Cecil Circuit, and Leeds and Moore's Chapel be known as Leeds.
4. That Montgomery Charge be temporarily associated with Kemptown, and Ridgeville appointment be detached from Lisbon and attached to Kemptown, also to be supplied with two pastors.
6. That Quinton be detached from Pocomoke Circuit and attached to Pocomoke City Charge.
7. That Heathville and Wicomico Charges be united and known as Heathville Charge.
8. That the relation of Ridgely appointment (Denton Charge) be determined by the President.
9. That Marley Circuit be divided; that Elverton and Glenburnie be united to Nichol's Memorial under the name of Nichol's Memorial Charge; that Marley and Holly Run constitute a charge to be known as Marley.

APPOPRIATIONS.

We have in hand to be appropriated \$3,608.35, and recommend the following distributions:

Bethany.....	\$100 00
Broadway (same condition as last year)	350 00
Cecil	100 00
Clarksville Church, Howard Charge, on debt.....	50 00
Cumberland.....	180 00
Christ Church (as stated above)	250 00
Crumpton.....	75 00
Clinton Hill.....	100 00
Dover (conditional they reduce the debt to \$1,000).....	100 00
Denton.....	200 00
Frederica.....	75 00
Oakley Church, Greenwood Charge, on debt.....	100 00
Kemptown.....	100 00
Keen Memorial, on debt, paid through Board of Managers of Church Extension Society.....	350 00
Lynchburg.....	200 00
Lawsonia, on condition that they pay like amount on debt.....	100 00
Hebron Church, Mardela Charge, on debt.....	100 00
N. C. Avenue.....	250 00

Millville.....	\$ 100 00
Mount Nebo.....	50 00
Reliance.....	40 00
Snow Hill, for new church.....	300 00
St. Luke's, on mortgage.....	250 00
St. Michael's.....	50 00
Quantico.....	100 00
Wye.....	50 00
W. Wilmington, on debt.....	100 00

That \$4,000 be assessed on the district for church extension.

Respectfully submitted,

B. P. TRUITT, *Chairman.*

TREASURER'S REPORT OF THE CHURCH EXTENSION SOCIETY
OF THE MARYLAND ANNUAL CONFERENCE.

1900.		<i>Receipts.</i>	
July	25	From Belair Circuit (interest).....	\$ 10 00
"	25	From Rev. J. M. Holmes, balance appropriation from Broadway (for 1899).....	4 44
"	25	From Rev. J. A. Wright, Vienna.....	35 00
Nov.	21	From Rev. C. P. Nowlin, Susquehanna.....	44 00
"	21	From Rev. W. S. Hammond, Broadway.....	26 00
"	21	From Rev. J. M. Holmes, Alnutt Memorial.....	91 00
1901.			
Jan.	5	From Rev. J. B. Jones, Philadelphia.....	10 42
Feb.	12	From Rev. F. T. Little, Star.....	30 00
"	12	From Rev. J. E. Maloy, Rowlandville.....	8 00
"	12	From North Baltimore Station.....	35 00
"	28	From Rev. H. F. Wright, Reliance.....	21 00
March	1	From Rev. E. C. Makosky, St. James'.....	44 00
"	1	From Rev. W. M. Strayer, Jefferson.....	72 00
"	7	From Rev. S. J. Smith, Salisbury.....	35 00
"	8	From Rev. H. S. Leas, Fairfax, Va.....	14 00
"	14	From Rev. B. F. Jester, Cecil.....	44 00
"	28	From Rev. J. McLain Brown, Warwick.....	20 00
April	1	Interest on deposits.....	2 99
		Total	\$762 85
			216 00
			\$546185
		Total from charges.....	\$749 86
		Interest.....	12 99
			\$762 85
		Less amount deducted.....	216 00
			\$546 85

1900.

Disbursements.

May 1	Rev. W. S. Hammond, for quarterly interest on Broadway debt.....	\$ 93 75	
" 14	T. A. Myers, Recording Steward of North Baltimore Station.....	108 00	
Aug. 10	Rev. W. S. Hammond, for quarterly interest on Broadway debt.....	93 75	
Sept. 10	James W. Chapman, for North Baltimore Station	108 00	
Nov. 13	Rev. W. S. Hammond, for quarterly interest on Broadway debt.....	93 75	
1901.			
Feb. 13	Rev. W. S. Hammond, for quarterly interest on Broadway debt.....	93 75	
	Total.....		\$591 00
April 1	Balance { General cash..... \$158 86		
	{ Interest	12 99	
			\$171 85
			\$762 85
	Less amount deducted.....		216 00
			\$546 85

Bank Account.

1900.			
April 1	Balance in Maryland Savings Bank.....	\$358 10	
July 25	Interest on Belair loan.....	10 00	
1901.			
April 1	Interest on deposits.....	2 99	
	Total		\$371 09

Respectfully submitted,

T. HARRY BARTLETT,
Treasurer.

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE CHURCH EXTENSION SOCIETY.

The Church Extension Society met at 12 o'clock on Saturday, Rev. J. T. Lassell presiding.

W. Sherman Phillips was made secretary pro tempore, when the report of the treasurer, which had been previously audited, was submitted and passed.

The following officers were elected for the ensuing year:

President, J. T. Lassell; first vice-president, S. B. Tredway; second vice-president, A. W. Mather; secretary, W. Sherman Phillips; treasurer, T. Harry Bartlett.

Board of Managers—F. T. Little, J. S. Bowers, W. J. Neeper, J. M. Sheridan, F. M. Warner, J. N. Gilbert, T. A. Murray and T. Harry Bartlett.

On motion of J. D. Kinzer the Society authorizes the Board of Managers to borrow sufficient money to meet the deficiency of the Society at not more than 5 per cent. interest.

W. SHERMAN PHILLIPS, *Secretary.*

REPORT OF CHURCH EXTENSION STEWARD.

Summarized.

Amount assessed.....	\$4,211 50	
Appropriated more than assessed.....	175 83	
	<hr/>	\$4,387 33
Amount appropriated 1900 and 1901.....	\$3,277 00	
Back pay.....	1,110 33	
	<hr/>	\$4,387 33

Funds for Distribution.

Received from assessment.....	\$3,166 60	
Gen. Thomas (special).....	20 00	
From T. H. Bartlett above receipts.....	4 44	
Annual dues.....	106 25	
	<hr/>	\$3,297 29

Less Amount Paid.

Broadway, J. M. Holmes.....	\$375 00	
N. C. Avenue, J. N. Warfield.....	500 00	
St. Luke's, J. B. Jones.....	300 00	
	<hr/>	\$1,175 00
Amount to be distributed.....		\$2,122 29

Deficiencies of Last Year.

Cumberland—J. M. Yingling.....	\$136 40
Christ Church—W. H. Litsinger.....	81 84
Crumpton—Elmer Simpson.....	16 37
Denton—J. M. Dickey.....	81 84
Eldorado—A. D. Melvin.....	98 21
Fairfax—H. S. Leas.....	24 56
Frederica—G. J. Smith and J. E. Smith.....	54 56
Lawsonia—T. R. Woodford.....	54 56
Millville—B. F. Ruley.....	54 56
Middleway—A. H. Green.....	54 56

North Baltimore—F. H. Lewis.....	\$109 12	
Nichols' Memorial—A. A. Bichell.....	81 84	
Powellville—G. A. Morris.....	16 37	
Quantico—F. L. Stevens.....	54 56	
Reliance—H. F. Wright.....	24 56	
Remington—H. O. Keen.....	13 64	
Seaford—J. W. Balderston.....	27 28	
St. Michael's—S. A. Hoblitzell.....	19 10	
Talbot—C. L. Daugherty.....	24 56	
Wicomico—F. A. Holland.....	54 56	
Wye—J. F. Wooden.....	27 28	
		\$1,110 33
Total amount for distribution.....		\$1,011 96

	Promised.	Paid.	Due.
Accomac—C. K. McCaslin.....	\$ 75 00	\$ 54 75	\$20 25
Clinton Avenue—W. N. Sherwood.....	100 00	73 00	27 00
Crumpton—G. H. Stocksdale.....	30 00	21 90	8 10
Cumberland—J. M. Yingling.....	200 00	146 00	54 00
Christ Church—C. M. Compher.....	150 00	109 50	40 50
Denton—J. M. Dickey.....	100 00	73 00	27 00
Lawsonia—Fred Phillips.....	100 00	73 00	27 00
Millville—B. F. Ruley.....	100 00	73 00	27 00
Mt. Nebo—A. A. Bichell.....	50 00	36 50	13 50
Middleway—A. H. Green.....	100 00	73 00	27 00
Quantico—F. L. Stevens.....	100 00	73 00	27 00
Reliance—H. F. Wright.....	40 00	29 20	10 80
St. Michael's—S. A. Hoblitzell.....	40 00	29 20	10 80
Second Church (Wilm'gton)—J. L. Nichols	100 00	73 00	27 00
Wye—J. F. Wooden.....	50 00	36 50	13 50
Frederica—E. H. Jones.....	50 00	36 50	13 50
Totals.....	\$1,385 00	\$1,011 05	\$373 95

North Baltimore relinquishes her claim, and it is, therefore, not included in these figures. It would have been \$632.

Total amount for distribution.....	\$1,011 96
Total amount distributed.....	1,011 05

Balance on hand..... \$ 91

Per centum 73-100.

The appropriation to Talbot Circuit was inadvertently omitted by the Committee on Church Extension in the Conference minutes last spring, amounting to \$45.

E. S. FOOKS,

Church Extension Steward.

P. S.—Deficiency provided for by the Board of Managers in loan at 5 per cent. interest (\$413), and payments made in cash.

E. S. F.

Report Q.**REPORT OF THE FACULTY OF INSTRUCTION.**

We recommend for reception on trial Christopher Clarence Baker, James Henry Straughn, Roscoe Strausberg and Thomas Wheeler.

We recommend that John S. Willdridge be placed in the hands of the President.

We report that J. M. Dickey was given 100 in Theology.

We recommend Lewis E. Purdum to the Board of Ministerial Education for aid.

We report of the third year's class that A. A. Bichell and J. M. Dickey are passed through the course.

Of the second year's class we report that H. S. Leas, E. P. Perry, B. F. Ruley, W. N. Sherwood, T. R. Woodford and C. M. Zepp were each given 100 in Theology and passed to the third year.

Of the first year class we report that C. M. Compher was given 100 in History and 100 in Nicholl's Helps; R. Shipley was given 100 in Church History, and with J. L. Nichols these were passed to the second year. F. J. Phillips was passed to the second year, except in Theology. E. P. Perry was still retained in this class in Theology. E. H. Jones is kept in this class. H. C. Hall reports to the faculty, for the second time, that he has been unable to prepare for the examination of the first year. We recommend his continuance for one more year. G. E. Brown will go to the Seminary, and is continued in this class.

Upon the request of W. O. Livingstone we recommend that he be transferred to the unstationed list.

The Faculty of Instruction having considered the request of the President to license certain persons to administer the ordinances, which request was referred to the Faculty of Instruction by the Conference.

We report non-concurrence in each case.

But as C. M. Compher will have completed three years service in November, and has given satisfaction in his studies so far as examined, we recommend that he be ordained in November next, provided the usual pledge to prosecute his studies be given in open Conference.

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

Report R.**REPORT OF THE SUPERANNUATED FUND STEWARD.**

Amount assessed.....		\$4,047	50	
" paid.....		3,148	21	
<i>Claimants.</i>		<i>Allowed.</i>	<i>Paid.</i>	
Rev. L. W. Bates.....	\$400	00	\$246	00
" W. A. Crouse.....	200	00	164	00
" H. C. Cushing.....	300	00	246	00
" H. J. Day.....	150	00	123	00

Rev. A. D. Dick.....	\$300 00	\$ 246 00
“ J. H. Dougherty.....	250 00	205 00
“ C. H. Littleton.....	300 00	246 00
“ W. J. D. Lucas.....	350 00	287 00
“ Jesse Shreeve.....	400 00	328 00
“ S. B. Southerland.....	550 00	451 00
“ J. A. Wiegand.....	350 00	287 00
“ G. J. Smith.....	300 00	246 00
“ J. G. Sullivan.....	250 00	205 00
Mrs. W. C. Ames.....	100 00	82 00
“ T. M. Bryan.....	100 00	49 20
“ J. W. Charlton.....	150 00	123 00
“ C. T. Cochell.....	100 00	82 00
“ W. T. Dumm.....	250 00	205 00
“ J. M. Elderdice.....	225 00	184 50
“ J. H. Ellegood.....	125 00	102 50
“ S. T. Ferguson.....	225 00	184 50
“ D. N. Gilbert.....	225 00	184 50
“ J. L. Killgore.....	300 00	246 00
“ Thomas Lee.....	100 00	82 00
“ W. F. Livingston.....	100 00	82 00
“ J. A. McFaden.....	150 00	123 00
“ E. R. McGregor.....	100 00	82 00
“ C. B. Middleton.....	225 00	184 50
“ R. L. Lewis.....	200 00	164 00
“ H. E. Miskimmon.....	100 00	82 00
“ J. K. Nichols.....	100 00	82 00
“ J. R. Nichols.....	300 00	246 00
“ R. S. Norris.....	225 00	184 50
“ J. E. Read.....	125 00	102 50
“ John Roberts.....	225 00	184 50
“ D. A. Shermer.....	100 00	82 00
“ C. M. Thompson.....	175 01	143 50
“ S. G. Valiant.....	125 00	102 50
“ P. L. Wilson.....	125 00	102 50
“ R. S. Williamson.....	275 00	225 50
“ A. J. Walter.....	300 00	246 00
Rev. W. G. Holmes.....	175 00	107 42
Children of Rev. T. E. Coulbourn.....	300 00	246 00
Total	\$9,241 00	\$7,577 62
Per centum paid, 82.		

REPORTS TO THE

STATEMENT.

Receipts.

April, 1900.	Balance from last year.....	\$ 290 73	
Oct., 1900.	Check from T. A. Murray, Treasurer....	1,633 04	
April, 1901.	Check from T. A. Murray, Treasurer....	3,247 89	
April, 1901.	From assessments.....	2,707 23	
April, 1901.	Check from Dr. J. L. Mills, (investment)	10 00	
April, 1901.	Cash from annual dues, (investment)....	104 15	
April, 1901.	Check from General R. Thomas.....	20 00	
			\$8,013 04

Disbursements.

June, 1900.	Checks to claimants.....	\$ 232 00	
Oct., 1900.	Checks to claimants.....	1,677 65	
April, 1901.	Checks to claimants..	5,899 97	
April, 1901.	Expenses of Corresponding Secretary and Steward.....	6 80	
April, 1901.	Check to T. A. Murray, Treasurer.....	194 15	
			\$8,010 57
	Balance		\$2 47

Respectfully submitted,

WM. H. LITSINGER, *Steward.*

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON SUPERANNUATES.

Your Committee on Superannuates respectfully submits the following report:

First—After a careful consideration of the subject we recommend that \$4,000 be assessed upon the district for distribution next year.

Second—We recommend the following appropriations for the ensuing year:

Rev. W. A. Crouse.....	\$200 00
“ H. C. Cushing.....	300 00
“ A. D. Dick.....	300 00
“ C. H. Littleton.....	300 00
“ W. J. D. Lucas.....	350 00
“ J. J. Murray.....	400 00
“ C. E. McCullough.....	300 00
“ J. Shreeve.....	350 00
“ J. G. Sullivan.....	250 00
“ S. B. Southerland	550 00
“ J. A. Weigand.....	350 00

Mrs. W. C. Ames.....	\$ 100 00
" J. W. Charlton.....	150 00
" C. T. Cochell.....	100 00
" H. J. Day.....	150 00
" W. T. Dumm.....	250 00
" J. M. Elderdice.....	200 00
" J. H. Ellegood.....	125 00
" S. T. Ferguson.....	200 00
" D. N. Gilbert.....	200 00
" J. L. Killgore.....	275 00
" Thomas Lee.....	100 00
" W. F. Livingstone.....	100 00
" R. L. Lewis.....	200 00
" J. A. McFaden.....	150 00
" E. R. McGregor.....	100 00
" C. B. Middleton.....	200 00
" H. E. Miskimmon.....	100 00
" J. K. Nichols.....	125 00
" J. R. Nichols.....	300 00
" R. S. Norris.....	225 00
" J. E. Read.....	125 00
" John Roberts.....	225 00
" D. A. Shermer.....	100 00
" G. J. Smith.....	200 00
" C. M. Thompson.....	200 00
" S. G. Valliant.....	125 00
" P. L. Wilson.....	125 00
" A. J. Walter.....	275 00
" R. S. Williamson.....	275 00

Orphan children of Rev. T. E. Coulbourne to be paid to their legal representative..... 300 00

Mrs. D. Bowers relinquishes her claim on the fund for the ensuing year.

Third—The fund paid last year \$82 on each \$100 appropriated.

F. T. LITTLE, *Chairman.*

ADDITIONAL REPORT OF COMMITTEES ON SUPERANNUATES.

We recommend that Rev. C. E. McCullough be granted a superannuated relation, with an appropriation of \$300.

F. T. LITTLE, *Chairman.*

SUPERANNUATED FUND SOCIETY OF THE MARYLAND ANNUAL
CONFERENCE.

Treasurer's Report for the Year (April) 1900—(April) 1901.

THOMAS A. MURRAY, Treasurer, in account with SUPERANNUATED FUND
SOCIETY.

INVESTMENT ACCOUNT.

DR.

To balance as per last report.....	\$2,209 09	
“ amount received from Rev. W. H. Litsinger, Steward.....	103 50	
To amount received in repayment of loan on note.....	100 00	
“ “ “ on account Gernhardt legacy.....	246 15	
		<u>\$2,658 74</u>

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By amount invested in ground rents.....	\$1,574 65	
“ “ “ “ mortgage	800 00	
“ “ paid account taxes per order of Board....	174 82	
		<u>\$2,549 47</u>
Balance in hand to credit Investment Account.....		109 27
		<u>\$2,658 74</u>

DISTRIBUTION ACCOUNT.

DR.

To income received from investments.....	\$4,592 13	
“ interest received on deposits.....	48 04	
“ “ “ “ loan on note	4 00	
		<u>\$4,644 17</u>
To amount of Conference assessments received.....		411 00
		<u>\$5,055 17</u>
By amount taxes on securities paid.....	\$102 69	
“ rent safe deposit box paid.....	15 00	
“ amount of annuity paid under agreement of Society.....	41 70	
By amount paid for stationery, etc.....	14 85	
		<u>\$174 24</u>
By amount paid Rev. W. H. Litsinger, Steward, for October distribution.....	\$1,633 04	
By check herewith to W. H. Litsinger, Steward, in full of balance in hand for distribution.....	3,247 89	
		<u>4,880 93</u>
		<u>\$5,055 17</u>

Respectfully submitted,

THOMAS H. MURRAY,
Treasurer.

We hereby certify that we have examined the accounts and vouchers of the Treasurer and find them correct, as per above report, and the income from all property and securities of the Society fully accounted for.

E. J. DRINKHOUSE,
J. M. SHERIDAN,
Auditing Committee.

We hereby certify that we have examined the securities of the Society and find them all properly deposited in the box of the Society at the Safe Deposit Company of Baltimore.

E. J. DRINKHOUSE,
J. M. SHERIDAN,
F. T. TAGG,
Committee to Examine Securities.

MINUTES OF SUPERANNUATED FUND SOCIETY.

The Superannuated Fund Society met Tuesday morning at 11.30 o'clock in the Easton Church, W. J. Neeper in the chair. The report of the treasurer was read and adopted. On motion the thanks of the Society was extended to Thomas A. Murray, Esq., the treasurer of the Society, for the valuable services he has rendered.

The following officers were elected: First vice-president, W. J. Neeper; second vice-president, J. L. Straughn; third vice-president, J. W. Trout; corresponding secretary, A. W. Mather; recording secretary, A. N. Ward.

The following Board of Managers was elected: E. J. Drinkhouse, F. T. Tagg, J. M. Sheridan, T. O. Crouse, John G. Clark, T. A. Murray, C. A. Benjamin and Harry C. Roberts.

The Society then adjourned.

A. N. WARD, *Secretary*

Report S.

REPORT OF THE BOARD OF FINANCE.

The Board of Finance respectfully submits the following report:

We have examined the reports of the Secretary of the Conference and the agent for the President's parsonage, with vouchers, and found them correct. The communication of the President of the General Conference, apportioning the sum of five hundred dollars to this Conference for the expenses of delegates to the Ecumenical Conference, has had our consideration, and we recommend that this sum be assessed on the district, on a basis of one-fifth of the President's salary, and that the ministers at once, on their return from Conference, proceed to collect same and

forward to Brother F. M. Warner, No. 1503 Edmondson avenue, Baltimore, Md., and that the amount be in his hands by July first next.

We have taken into consideration the present condition of the President's parsonage. The front of the building is greatly in need of paint and there is not sufficient furniture in the house for the actual necessities of the family.

We recommend that an effort be made to raise the sum of two hundred and fifty dollars at this conference, and that this amount be secured by pledges, and that the same be forwarded to the President during the month of May.

We further recommend that the President's salary be the same as last year, viz: Two thousand three hundred and ninety-four dollars.

The Conference authorized the Board of Finance to make the following assessments on the district:

Conference assessment.....	\$ 450 00
Ministerial education.....	600 00
Seminary	1,800 00
General home missions.....	2,000 00
Superannuates.....	4,000 00
Church extension.....	4,000 00
Foreign missions.....	2,862 00

J. M. SHERIDAN, *Chairman.*

Report U.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON SABBATH OBSERVANCE.

Your Committee on Sabbath Observance begs leave to report the following:

WHEREAS, The Sabbath Day is of divine institution; and

WHEREAS, God rested from all His labors on the Sabbath Day; therefore, be it

Resolved, First, That we deprecate the growing evil tendency, both in civil and social life, toward patronizing railroad and steamboat traffic, Sunday excursions, the publication, distribution and reading of Sunday newspapers, the buying and selling of groceries, meats, bread, milk, ice, and all other supposed necessities on the Sabbath Day.

Second, That we hail with delight the improved conditions of sabbath observance in the city of Baltimore, and herein record our high appreciation of the success of the grand jury and the police force of the city of Baltimore in the enforcement of law suppressing intemperance and the buying and selling of merchandise on the Sabbath Day.

Third, That it is the duty of every Christian, in every possible way, to discourage everything contrary to the keeping of the Sabbath Day holy.

J. M. YINGLING, *Chairman.*

Report V.

REPORT OF THE BOARD OF MANAGERS OF OUR CHURCH HOME.

WESTMINSTER, MD., April 2, 1901.

The Board of Managers of our Church Home, in submitting the report of the financial condition of the institution, would take occasion at the same time to call the attention of the Conference and the church at large to the character of the institution itself and to the excellent equipment which it has for carrying on the work for which it was founded.

We are under the impression that a large number of our people do not fully realize that this institution is not only in name, but is in fact, a Home, having all the comforts and conveniences which could be desired, and under a management that is kind, considerate and thoughtful.

We believe also that there are worthy persons in connection with our church who need just such a home; whose circumstances deny them the ordinary comforts of life, and who would find in such a home as ours a most delightful and restful place in which to end their days. While we do not solicit persons to enter the home, we believe it is a proper thing for those who are worthy of such an institution to be informed as to its character and management, so that the prejudices which usually exist against entering such institutions may be removed. Our home is fitted for the best possible care of those who come into it, and while it is sustained largely by voluntary contributions, we feel sure the church stands ready to support all our worthy poor who may seek shelter there.

The financial statement that is herewith submitted will show that there is in our permanent fund \$1,151.50. Against this there is no current indebtedness, and there is no indebtedness upon the property or its contents.

We also take pleasure in submitting the report of the lady managers, covering the current work of the home for the past year. We commend to the favorable consideration of the Conference the earnest work of these ladies, and especially the intelligent and indefatigable efforts of their worthy president, Mrs. E. O. Grimes.

FINANCIAL STATEMENT.

Amount in hands of Treasurer, April, 1900.....	\$ 910 35
Amount received as entrance fee Mrs. Hester A. Lowry.....	300 00
Interest on deposit in bank.....	36 00
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	\$1,246 35
Amount paid for sundry expenses.....	\$ 94 85
Amount in hands of Treasurer.....	1,151 50
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	\$1,246 35

J. W. HERRING,
Treasurer.

REPORT OF THE BOARD OF LADY MANAGERS OF OUR CHURCH HOME.

WESTMINSTER, MD., April 1, 1901.

The Lady Managers herewith submit their report of the current work of the Home for the past year.

It will be seen by an examination of the report that the expenses of the Home during the year just ended amounted to \$491.02.

The amount received from the various churches prior to the meeting of the present Conference was \$251.98. As this sum was insufficient to meet current expenses it became necessary for the ladies to borrow, from time to time, during the year sums aggregating \$175.00 from the treasurer of the Permanent Fund. The necessity for making these temporary loans ought not to exist, and could be easily obviated by having the collections for the Home sent in during the early part of the year, and not allowing the great bulk of it to remain unpaid until the meeting of the Conference.

One death occurred at the Home during the year. A worthy lady who had for a long time been a member of our church, Mrs. Maria S. Amiss, of Washington, D. C. Her remains were sent to her former home for interment, she having made a request that this be done and having also made the arrangement for meeting the expense.

We would take occasion here to state for the information of those who may not be informed upon the subject, that under the regulations of the Home the cost of burial at Westminster and suitable tombstones is provided for in the admission fee.

In cases where interments take place at any other point, the extra expense must be otherwise provided for. There are at present three persons in the Home, one from Westminster, Md., one from Washington, D. C., and one from Easton, Md.

The Home has been fortunate in securing the services of so capable a person as Mrs. Baile, the present matron, whose kind disposition and good management have contributed much to the success of the institution.

Respectfully submitted,

MRS. E. O. GRIMES, *President.*

FINANCIAL STATEMENT.

Amount in hands of treasurer April, 1900.....	\$ 88 17
Amount received from churches to date.....	251 98
Amount received at Conference.....	278 75
Amount borrowed from Permanent Fund.....	175 00
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	\$793 90
Amount of current expenses for the year.....	\$ 491 02
Amount to be returned to Permanent Fund.....	175 00
Balance in hands of treasurer.....	127 88
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	\$793 90

REPORT OF STEWARD "OF OUR CHURCH HOME."

EASTON, MD., April 8th, 1901.

Steward for the fund for our Church Home begs leave to make the following report: The amount received in cash is \$278.75.

Receipts.....	\$243 73
Total.....	\$522 48

Respectfully submitted,

L. A. BENNETT, *our Church Home Steward.*

Report W.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON CHURCH ENTERPRISE.

Your Committee on Church Enterprise begs leave to submit the following report:

First—In the case of Christ's Church, Baltimore City, we desire to say that while we feel deeply concerned in the welfare and success of this faithful struggling band of Christian people, nevertheless admit our inability to determine just what is the best thing to be done, and do, therefore, recommend that the whole matter be placed in the hands of the Church Extension Society of Baltimore City, who shall have supervision of the entire work.

And we furthermore recommend that in case this society think it a wise movement and engage in the erection of a new house of worship, that they be allowed an appropriation to aid them in carrying out the contemplated work.

Second—Your Committee is highly pleased to learn that our Church in Snow Hill, Maryland, has purchased and paid for a lot in one of the most desirable locations in the town, on which they have already built one of the most elegant parsonages in the Maryland District, leaving sufficient ground on which to build a new Church, and inasmuch as it is of the highest importance that we have a building in keeping with other denominations in order to insure a reasonable degree of success; and whereas they have already a good subscription of three thousand dollars, and expect to realize at least five hundred dollars more from the sale of the old building, therefore we endorse the contemplated enterprise, which is to cost the sum of eight thousand dollars, and recommend this work to the favorable consideration of the Conference.

J. E. T. EWELL, *Chairman.*

Report X.**REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON FRATERNAL RELATIONS.**

The Committee on Fraternal Relations respectfully submits the following report :

We recommend that the request coming from St. John's Independent Methodist Church asking for the assignment of Rev. John S. Bowers to that charge for another year be granted.

We rejoice in the good work that is being accomplished under the wise and faithful management of our brother, Rev. T. P. Revelle, in Seattle, and because of the recent church developments there, we also recommend that he be continued in that growing field of labor for another year. We suggest that in as much as the great distance of this appointment from Conference has prevented our brother from attending its annual session, that the greeting of this body be extended to him and that our prayer to God be offered for the further extension of the work in which he is now laboring.

In as much as the pastor and members of this church and the friends of Easton have placed the Conference under many obligations for hospitable entertainment, and for favors and attention which has contributed greatly to the comfort and pleasure of our sojourn in their midst, the Conference hereby tenders to them its heartfelt thanks.

We tender to the press of Easton and of Baltimore City our thanks for the full and interesting reports daily given of the proceedings of the Conference.

We desire to express our appreciation to the railroads and steamboat companies for their courtesies and reduced rates, and also to the postmaster for the convenience and accommodation of this Conference in reference to mail matter distributed.

The thanks of the Conference are hereby extended to the Young Men's Christian Association for the use of their rooms to the Faculty of Instruction, and also to the Smith Premier Typewriter and Hammond Companies for the use of their typewriters.

G. Q. BACCHUS,

Chairman.

Report AA.**REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES OF THE MARYLAND ANNUAL CONFERENCE.**

We report that the Trustees are J. L. Mills, J. M. Sheridan, Roland Watts and T. A. Murray, whose terms expire in 1902.

J. D. Kinzer, A. W. Mather, Daniel Baker and John G. Clarke, whose terms expire in 1903.

F. T. Little, S. J. Smith, J. H. Elliott, and C. A. Benjamin, whose terms expire at this Conference.

J. L. MILLS, *President of the Board.*

March 29, 1901.

JOHN G. CLARKE, Treasurer, in account with the TRUSTEES OF MARYLAND ANNUAL CONFERENCE M. P. CHURCH.

April 4, 1892, balance in Central Savings Bank, Baltimore.....	\$60 41
Accumulated interest to January 1, 1901.....	19 24
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	\$79 65

Report BB.

REPORT OF SPECIAL COMMITTEE ON A PLAN TO INCREASE SUPERANNUATED FUND.

Your Committee, to which was referred "A Plan to Increase the Superannuated Fund," begs leave to submit the following report.

We have carefully studied the proposed plan from every point of view, and cannot commend it to the favorable consideration of the Conference.

JNO. S. BOWERS, *Chairman.*

Report CC.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON TEMPERANCE.

Your Committee on Temperance reports as follows:

We are encouraged by recent victories to continue the struggle against the liquor traffic with renewed zeal and determination.

The abolition of the army canteen and the ratification of the treaty for the protection of native races in Africa against intoxicants is indeed gratifying, but we are forced to face the fact that intemperance is a growing evil.

The statistical abstract of the United States for the year ending June 30, 1900, recently published, shows that the amount paid over the bars of the United States for liquors exceeds the sum expended for that purpose in any previous year in the history of the nation. It amounted to \$1,172,943,445, or almost \$100,000,000 above the high water mark of 1893.

It is plain that unless we can find more effectual means of opposing the traffic, or make better use of the means already employed, the future is dark indeed.

We have need to give to the solution of the question more serious consideration than it has ever received, and by every means possible to Christian citizens endeavor to accomplish the destruction of this iniquitous traffic.

The liquor dealers ridicule the declarations of the church on the temperance question and taunt us with insincerity. It is time for good men to make it understood that they mean what they say. We have said that the saloon ought to go—let us say, and with no uncertain sound, the saloon *must* go.

We endorse the W. C. T. U. and bid it Godspeed.

We urge the ministry to continue their efforts to convince men of the enormity of this evil, and the laity to keep up the campaign of education and agitation, and while new recruits are being gathered in let those already enlisted carry out the orders of the Master and the church.

All of which is respectfully submitted. H. W. D. JOHNSON,
Chairman.

Report DD.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON BENEVOLENT AGENCIES.

Your committee on Benevolent Agencies, after the examination of various financial reports, submits the following:

1. For the Maryland Tract Society there has been collected from the charges of the district \$173.62, and Mrs. T. A. Reese contributed \$200, a total of \$373.62. For Life Directors we submit the following names: E. T. Read, N. O. Gibson, Avery Donovan.

2. For the Maryland Bible Society there has been collected during the year the sum of \$383.28. Mrs. T. A. Reese contributed \$200 of this amount and \$183.28 was collected from the district. We believe that as much good is done by the Bibles given for Life Directorships as by those that are used in other ways, and submit the following names: H. W. D. Johnson, L. A. Bennett, E. D. Stone.

AVERY DONOVAN, *Chairman.*

Report EE.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON CHRISTIAN ENDEAVOR.

The condition of the Christian Endeavor Society in the Maryland Conference District is encouraging. There has been an increase in the amount of money raised for various purposes, but a falling off in the membership. The latter fact is certainly to be deplored, unless it means that there has been a weeding out of poor material and getting down to more substantial work. We are informed that such an effort has been made in many of the societies. God's work does not need numbers as

much as it needs character. The Christian Endeavor Society can only succeed as such when its members, and especially the officers, keep the pledge. Without the pledge the society is practically useless and does more harm to the Church than good, but with the pledge faithfully kept the society becomes a factor for good in the work of the Church. Many young people have joined the society, just as many persons have joined the Church, with no real idea of the solemn responsibilities undertaken by them, and many of these soon fall by the wayside or become stumbling blocks in the way of others.

There is no question of the need of such a society as the Society of Christian Endeavor in the churches, but a note of warning might well be sounded. It would be well for the society to beware of depending too much on human agencies. It is not by might nor by power, but by the Spirit of God that we are to prevail. Conventions are means of grace and ought to be held, but conventions may become a source of weakness unless the influences started there are put into practical use in the everyday work of the society.

The convention held in West Baltimore Church in February was one of the best ever held by the society. It was splendidly conducted, the papers and addresses were timely and interesting, and the spiritual influences of the convention were edifying. The attendance was large. It seems to us that it was the most practical and helpful convention that has yet been held.

It is gratifying to note the increase of interest in the Junior department. Nine societies have been organized during the year, and there has been an increase of 379 in the membership. We consider this one of the most important enterprises of the Christian Endeavor movement. It is necessary to get the children. It is becoming harder and harder to get into the Church those who have grown to maturity. The more thorough the work among the children of the Sabbath schools and of the Junior Society the stronger the church of the future. We must do better work for the children of the flock.

We earnestly recommend the organization of a Junior Society wherever practicable, and the selection of the very best possible superintendent for the same within the reach of the society. It might be well to postpone the organization of the society until the right person could be induced to take up the work. For the best success of any of our work it is necessary that organization should be followed by the conscientious discharge of responsibility on the part of leaders and members.

We are informed that the society has raised \$1,200 of the \$2,000 pledged for the Thank-offering Fund, and an effort is being made to secure the remaining amount. We would suggest that, if practicable, the pastors urge upon those societies which have not made contributions to do so as soon as possible.

We recommend:

First—That the President of the Conference become an ex-officio member of the Executive Committee of the Conference Christian Endeavor Union.

Second—That Wednesday evening of the next session of the Conference be set apart for a Christian Endeavor rally.

The following report is submitted for the last year's work:

Number of Societies—Juniors, 57, an increase of 9 during the year; Young Peoples, 117; no increase.

Membership—Juniors, Active and Trial, 2,406, an increase of 379; Young Peoples, Active, Associate and Honorary, 4,427, a decrease of 347.

Contributions for all purposes, \$4,167.24, of which amount \$487.59 were contributed for foreign missions.

Respectfully submitted,

A. N. WARD, *Chairman.*

Report FF.

REPORT OF SPECIAL COMMITTEE.

We report that in the judgment of the Committee the Conference Steward should report the rental value of parsonages as part of the contributions of the charges for the year, and we recommend that the Conference so direct the steward in his future reports.

J. D. KINZER, *Chairman.*

Report GG.

PLAN OF APPOINTMENTS.

	YRS.
Accomac.....	R. K. Lewis, 1
Alexandria.....	J. H. S. Ewell, 1
Alnutt Memorial.....	J. W. Kirk, 1
Amelia.....	H. C. Hall, 3
Baltimore.....	J. L. Straughn, 1
Bedford.....	A. S. Beane, 3
Bethany.....	T. R. Woodford, 2
Broadway.....	E. D. Stone, 1
Beaver Dam.....	F. A. Holland, 2
Brooklyn.....	J. L. Mills, 4
Belair.....	S. W. Coe, 2

PLAN OF APPOINTMENTS—Continued.

YRS.

Cambridge.....	S. B. Tredway,	2
Campbell.....	C. C. Baker,	1
Caroline.....	T. H. Wright,	1
Cecil.....	B. F. Jester,	3
Central.....	J. M. Gill,	1
Centreville.....	F. T. Benson,	4
Chesapeake.....	J. L. Elderdice,	1
Chestertown.....	D. L. Greenfield,	1
Chincoteague.....	H. O. Keen,	1
Christ Church.....	C. L. Daugherty,	1
Clayton.....	H. L. Schlincke,	1
Concord.....	A. H. Green,	1
Conquest.....	J. M. Yingling,	1
Crisfield.....	G. W. Haddaway,	4
Crumpton.....	G. H. Stocksdales,	2
Cumberland.....	W. A. Melvin, 1; G. D. Edmonston, Supernumerary,	1
Clinton Avenue, Newark, N. J.....	C. M. Compher,	1
Deer Creek.....	W. W. White,	1
Deer Park.....	C. J. Burdette,	1
Delmar.....	L. A. Bennett,	1
Denton.....	B. P. Truitt,	1
Delta.....	W. H. Litsinger,	2
Dorchester.....	J. A. Wright,	4
Dover and Leipsic.....	N. O. Gibson,	3
East Baltimore.....	J. M. Holmes,	1
Easton.....	L. F. Warner,	2
Elizabeth.....	J. W. Trout,	9
Eutaw.....	J. W. Norris,	1
Evergreen.....	To be supplied.	
Fairfax.....	H. S. Leas,	3
Fawn Grove.....	Dorsey Blake,	2
Felton.....	Thomas Wheeler,	1
Finksburg.....	J. E. Nicholson,	1
First Church, Washington.....	J. W. Gray,	5
Fox Hill.....	F. L. Stevens,	1
Franklin City.....	H. W. D. Johnson,	3
Frederica.....	E. H. Jones,	2
Frederick.....	G. J. Hill,	1
Georgetown, D. C.....	J. D. Kinzer,	3
Georgetown, Del.....	J. F. Bryan,	1
Georgetown Circuit.....	Frank Clift, supply,	
Greenwood.....	H. E. Bennington,	1
Grove.....	G. R. Donaldson,	2

PLAN OF APPOINTMENTS—Continued.

YRS.

Hampden.....	W. J. Neepier,	5
Harper's Ferry.....	G. F. Farring,	2
Harrington.....	W. S. Phillips,	3
Heathsville.....	W. D. Litsinger,	1
Howard.....	J. W. Parris,	1
Hurlock's.....	J. L. Ward,	2
Indian River.....	D. L. Johnson, supply.	
Jefferson.....	W. M. Strayer,	10
Keen Memorial.....	J. H. Daugherty,	1
Kemptown.....	C. M. Cullum, 4; R. C. Strawsburg,	1
Kennedyville.....	Louis Randall,	3
Kent Island.....	F. H. Mullineaux,	1
Laurel.....	E. A. Warfield,	1
Lawsonia.....	W. N. Sherwood,	1
Lewistown.....	George Hooker, supply.	
Liberty.....	C. K. McCaslin,	1
Lisbon.....	S. A. Hoblitzell,	1
Lynchburg.....	G. Q. Bacchus,	2
Leeds.....	E. P. Perry,	1
Mardela.....	Elmer Simpson,	2
Marley.....	G. Edwin Brown,	1
Mariners.....	W. J. Floyd,	1
Middleway.....	Unsupplied.	
Millville.....	B. F. Ruley,	3
Milton.....	H. S. Johnson,	1
Mt. Nebo.....	A. A. Bichell,	2
Mt. Tabor.....	James H. Straughn,	1
Newark, N. J.....	F. C. Klein,	1
Newmarket.....	S. F. Cassen,	6
Nichols' Memorial.....	G. R. Hodge,	1
North Baltimore.....	F. H. Lewis, 3; E. J. Drinkhouse, Supernumerary	5
North Carolina Avenue.....	A. N. Ward, 3; David Wilson, Supernumerary.	5
Oak Grove and Prince George.....	A. A. Harryman,	4
Oxford.....	J. T. Lassell,	2
Parksley.....	W. B. Judefind,	2
Patapsco.....	To be supplied.	
Payson Street.....	Edgar T. Read,	4
Pipe Creek.....	B. W. Kindley,	6
Pittsville.....	G. A. Morris,	1
Pocomoke Circuit.....	F. S. Cain,	2
Pocomoke City.....	J. M. Sheridan,	1
Potomac.....	E. B. Taylor,	2
Powellville.....	S. J. Willdrige,	1

PLAN OF APPOINTMENTS—Continued.

YRS.

Quantico.....	F. J. Phillips,	1
Queen Anne's.....	G. W. Hines,	2
Reliance.....	H. F. Wright,	3
Rowlandville.....	J. E. Maloy,	8
Salisbury.....	S. J. Smith,	2
Salem.....	E. O. Ewing,	1
Seaford.....	J. W. Balderston,	3
South Baltimore.....	E. S. Fooks,	1
Starr.....	F. T. Little,	13
Stewartstown.....	G. M. Clayton,	2
St. James.....	E. C. Makosky,	4
St. John's, Canton.....	C. M. Zepp,	1
St. Luke's, Philadelphia.....	J. B. Jones,	5
St. Michael's.....	J. M. Dickey,	1
Susquehanna.....	C. P. Nowlin,	2
Sussex.....	G. R. McCready,	6
Snow Hill.....	Avery Donovan,	2
Talbot.....	H. E. Nelson,	1
Trinity.....	D. W. Austine,	6
Union Bridge.....	R. S. Rowe,	3
Union.....	A. W. Mather,	3
Violetsville.....	W. S. Sims, supply	
Waltersville.....	C. E. Dryden,	3
Warwick.....	J. McLain Brown,	2
Waverly.....	J. E. T. Ewell,	1
West Baltimore.....	T. O. Crouse,	3
Westminster.....	W. R. Graham,	6
Williamsport.....	D. M. Dibble, supply	
Wilmington.....	G. L. Wolfe,	6
West Wilmington.....	J. L. Nichols,	2
Wye.....	J. F. Wooden,	4
President of Western Maryland College.....	T. H. Lewis,	16
President of Seminary.....	H. L. Elderdice,	5
Professor in Seminary.....	B. F. Benson,	5
Editor of <i>Methodist Protestant</i>	F. T. Tagg,	10

LOANED.

Board of Foreign Missions.....	E. H. Vandyke,	12
Clark Memorial Independent Methodist Church.....	J. S. Bowers,	11
Board of Home Missions.....	T. P. Revelle,	2
Superannuates, S. B. Southerland, 17; J. A. Wiegand, 13; W. J. D. Lucas, 10; W. A. Crouse, 9; H. C. Cushing, 7; Jesse Shreeve, 4; J. J. Murray, 3; C. H. Littleton, 3; A. D. Dick, 3; J. G. Sullivan, 2; C. E. McCullough, 1.		

Left without appointment at their own request, W. S. Hammond, 1; W. M. Poisal, 1; C. S. Arnett, 1.

RESOLUTIONS.

Resolution 1.

WHEREAS, Several of our beloved brethern have passed away from earth to Heaven; and,

WHEREAS, The Conference service in memory of these noble and honored ones should be conducted without undue haste; therefore,

Be it resolved, That we suspend the regular order of the Conference for this session, and fix Sunday afternoon at 3 o'clock as the time for memorial service; therefore,

Be it resolved further, That the Dead Roll and Sacrament of Lord's Supper be called, in connection with the memorial service.

L. F. WARNER.

Resolution 2.

Resolved, That Dr. Graham be requested to furnish the manuscript of his timely and profitable sermon preached before this Conference for publication in the *Methodist Protestant*.

F. T. LITTLE.

Resolution 3.

Resolved, That the Committee on Church Extension be directed to make all appropriations on the same basis as to time of payment, and that there be no preferred claimants in any instances.

J. M. SHERIDAN.

Resolution 4.

Resolved, That the date of the next Annual Conference be the first Wednesday in April, 1902.

F. C. KLEIN.

Resolution 5.

Resolved, That the Committee on Church Extension be authorized to include in the appropriation for the current year, to be collected from district, an amount sufficient to pay the interest on the deficiency for the present year.

J. D. KINZER.

Resolution 6.

Resolved, That the matter of the place of the meeting of the next Conference be referred to the Standing District Committee.

F. T. LITTLE.

Resolution 7.

Resolved, That Section 1, "Organization of Conference," of the Conference Manual, be amended by inserting the words "the President and" so as to read, "Pastors shall send to the President and the Secretary of the Annual Conference," &c.

W. SHERMAN PHILLIPS.

Resolution 8.

Resolved, That the Chairman appoint a special committee of five members, of which committee the Conference Steward shall be one, to consider and report at this session upon the question of counting the rental value of parsonages in the district.

J. D. KINZER.

Resolution 9.

Resolved, That owing to the amount of work that the Committee on Statistics has to perform, that the President appoint the Committee for the next Conference at this Conference.

H. L. SCHLINCKE.

Resolution 10.

Resolved, That a special committee be appointed to devise means to increase the Superannuated Fund.

S. J. SMITH.

Resolution 11.

Resolved, That in the lamented death of William J. C. Dulany not only has the church lost a faithful and efficient officer, but members of this Conference have lost a personal friend whose estimable qualities will be held in affectionate remembrance by them.

We tender to his family and friends our sympathy, and pray that his removal from them and us may be sanctified so that our present sorrow may work out for all of us spiritual improvement and eternal joy.

EDWARD REISLER.

Resolution 12.

Resolved, That each charge be expected to raise an amount not less than one-fifth of the President's salary for the benefit of the President's parsonage, and send the same to the President not later than June 1, 1901.

F. T. LITTLE.

OBITUARY.

MRS. ANN ELIZABETH BRYAN.

Mrs. Ann Elizabeth Bryan, widow of the late Rev. Thomas M. Bryan, of the Maryland Annual Conference, departed this life in St. Michael's, November 9th, 1900. She was born in Philipsburg, Centre county, Pa., July 20, 1825, but had resided in St. Michael's since the death of her husband in 1879, and also for a number of years before. Sister Bryan was of a cheerful disposition, a bright, intelligent conversationalist and a devout Christian woman. Her social qualities made for her many warm friends, and, as a consequence, her home was the objective point for the assemblage of these friends and neighbors to enjoy her company. She was a true and loyal member of the church, and during the early part of her residence in St. Michael's took an active interest in the Sabbath-school as well as in all other departments of church work, but during the latter years of her life she was an invalid and in failing health, and was rarely able to attend the services of the church at all. Two weeks before her death she met with a painful accident, which so completely shattered her nervous system and increased her sufferings that it became apparent to all that the end was near. Rev. W. S. Phillips, of Harrington, Del., who was her pastor for four years, and whose acquaintance with Sister Bryan preceded mine, pays her memory the following beautiful tribute: "She was one of the most cheerful and merry 'mothers in Israel' it has ever been my privilege to know. She carried sunshine wherever she went, and her own life, entempered in such a frail, delicate body, was doubtless thus prolonged, and she banished the clouds from many a heart that came within her sphere. She was also a pattern of liberality. Her principal means of support was what she received from the superannuated fund, and though this was very meagre, yet because of her economical and frugal habits she always contributed liberally to the conference and church benevolences. Her religious life was of the quiet, dignified sort, and wonderfully helpful to all who knew her. While she was not given to audible responses in the public services of the sanctuary, yet it was a delight to preach to her; her bright, pleasant face upon and from which responses shone was always an inspiration to me."

Rev. W. M. Poisal, also a former pastor, who knew her so well, in a brief note said: "We all knew our dear sister as a plain, unostentatious,

pious woman, whose devotion to her church and whose purpose to be a useful and consistent Christian no one could possibly question."

Bro. John W. Baker and Col. Lowe, members of the obituary committee, whose acquaintance with the deceased extends back many years, also bear loving testimony to the grandeur of a splendid life now closed on earth forever.

Thus has passed away a dear sister and useful member of this church whose demise we all deplore, but the memory of whose noble deeds of practical Christianity will ever be enshrined in our hearts as a cherished memorial of her exalted worth. The funeral services were conducted by her pastor in the presence of a large concourse of people, after which her remains were interred in the Protestant Episcopal Cemetery, near those of her departed husband, to await the summons of the resurrection morn.

S. A. HOBLITZELL.

St. Michael's, Md., Jan. 10, 1901.

REV. WILLIAM GREENBURY HOLMES.

This faithful, humble man of God, who was for nearly forty-five years a worthy member of the Maryland Annual Conference, Methodist Protestant Church, departed this life in the triumphs of faith, and entered upon his eternal rest on the 31st day of December, 1900. His funeral services were held in our church, in Mardela Springs, on the 2d of January, 1901. Had our brother lived until March he would have attained unto his seventy-ninth year of age. He was a good man, honored and revered by all who had the pleasure of an intimate acquaintance with him. He was a faithful preacher of the Gospel, upright in his dealings with his fellow-men, chaste in his conversation. He was a wise and sympathetic counsellor, and many there were who went to him in their distress and were comforted by his wholesome advice and expressions of sympathy. He wrought a good work, of which the world has no record, but it might be said of him as in the language of Job, "My record is on high." He was a tried and true servant of his Lord and Master, and is now, doubtless, in the enjoyment of his well-earned reward. No doubt many will rise up in the last great day and call him blessed. Rev. S. J. Smith, D. D., remarked at the funeral that Brother Holmes led him to Christ, and Rev. Wm. Adkinson, of Mardela Springs Methodist Episcopal Church, said that it was his privilege to hear the last sermon he ever preached, and a young man under the influence of that sermon gave himself to Christ. Rev. A. W. Mather, of Sharptown, Md., and Rev. Elmer Simpson, of Mardela Springs, were present, and made appropriate remarks. By request, the writer preached the funeral sermon from the fifteenth verse of 116th Psalm. The church was filled with a people who dearly loved him, and it may be said of a truth, he was equally as fond of

them. Brothers T. B. Taylor and Francis Kennerly write thus, saying, "Too much good cannot be said of Brother Holmes." I remember well, when he built his house in the village, he remarked to me, "I am growing old and shall soon be unable to provide for myself, and I am preparing for just such an emergency. I want to be near to my church and in the midst of my friends." Brother Holmes was born in Carroll County, Maryland, near Westminster. He was a son of Jacob and Catharine Holmes, long since deceased. He was converted when a young man, but as to the particulars we have no information. He was received into the Conference at Alexandria, Virginia, in 1855, J. W. Everest, president, and was appointed to Trough Creek. At the ensuing Annual Conference, held in Salisbury, he was ordained an elder. The various charges served by him were Trough Creek, Concord, Williamsport, Dorchester, Sussex, Choptank, Whaleyville, Caroline, Union, Franklin City and Quantico. In 1882, by reason of failing health, he was superannuated. This relation he sustained for the space of nine years. At the Conference of 1892 he again sought an active relation and was appointed to Marley Circuit. There he continued in the faithful discharge of his duties for two years. At the Conference of 1894 he was appointed to Pocomoke Circuit, and there, while busily engaged in the work assigned him, he was stricken with paralysis, which put an end to his active career, rendering him helpless unto the day of his death. But he was greatly blessed in that his mind, speech and hearing were unaffected. His sight was slightly dimmed by age. Brother Holmes was twice married. His first wife was Tabitha Barnes, of Carroll county. His second wife was Mary C. Haslup, of Howard County, Maryland. By his first wife two children were born—a son and daughter. While he was pastor of Sussex his only son was accidentally drowned. His daughter, Rebecca Virginia, wife of Dr. Josephus Wright, with their two children, reside in Sharptown, Maryland. By the second wife there were no children, but they adopted a small girl, Annie Mills, of humble parentage, better known as Annie Holmes. This proved a fortunate thing for Brother Holmes, for shortly afterward his wife died, and, though young, this child assumed the cares of the home, and, by her devotion, hath proven herself well worthy of the love and confidence Brother Holmes reposed in her. She was indeed a devoted daughter, and I sincerely pray, and believe, a rich reward may be hers in this life and that which is to come.

We buried the remains of our dear Brother in our churchyard in Maryland Springs, there to await the resurrection of the just in the last great day. Committee—G. R. McCready, A. W. Mather, Elmer Simpson, T. B. Taylor, F. J. Kennerly, T. P. Pusey.

REV. LAURENCE WEBSTER BATES, D.D.

Dr. Bates was born in Burlington county, New Jersey, about sixteen miles east of Philadelphia, on the 10th of November, 1819. His parents were Quakers, and he was reared in the faith of that church, attending

the Friends' meetings regularly in his boyhood. He was early in life, however, brought into contact with the Methodists, and in his eleventh year he was converted, in a girl's class-meeting, in the Methodist Episcopal parsonage. Before he was twelve years old he was active in religious meetings, leading the singing and exhorting, at the request of the pastors. He early espoused the cause of reform in church government, and after an interview with Rev. S. L. Rawleigh, then pastor in Philadelphia, he joined his church. He was received into the itinerancy in the Maryland Annual Conference in 1840. His first appointment was as assistant to Rev. Avra Melvin on Snow Hill and Princess Anne Circuit, and the following list of charges shows the order and continuity of his itinerant life: 1841, Deer Creek; 1842, Kent; 1843-5, Accomac; 1846-7, Union; 1848, Jefferson; 1849, Frederick; 1850-1, West Baltimore; 1852, Deer Creek; 1853 4, Alexandria; 1855-7, Newtown; 1858, Snow Hill; 1859, Ninth Street, Washington; 1860-1, President; 1862-3, West Baltimore; 1864-6, Kent; 1867, Talbot; 1868-71, Georgetown; 1872-5, West Baltimore; 1876-7, South Baltimore; 1878-82, Lynchburg; 1883-4, Centreville; 1885-90, Georgetown; 1891, West Baltimore; 1892, South Baltimore; 1893-6, Theological Seminary; 1897-1900, superannuated.

In his superannuation he moved to Baltimore with his grandson, and spent his last days among loving friends who had known and honored him through many years. A stroke of paralysis more than a year ago greatly weakened and disabled him, but he was cheerful, and his interest in the work of the church was unabated. He cordially welcomed his many friends who called, and there was none of the gloom of a sick chamber about his room. He was seldom able to go to church during the last year, but greatly appreciated the privilege when he could.

After a few days of illness, superinduced by the prevailing grip, he sank into unconsciousness, and passed to his reward January 17, 1901.

This is the bare outline of a life that was rich in the elements of noble manhood, fruitful in benevolent and heroic deeds, and crowned with the confidence and love of a great host of friends. "Know ye not that there is a prince and a great man fallen this day in Israel."

The end of such a life on earth is no ordinary event. His ministry of sixty-one years began in the days of strong denominational feeling and sharp controversy, when the Methodist Protestant Church was struggling for existence in many parts of Maryland and adjacent States. Heroic work was done by the ministry in those days. The circuits were large, requiring almost daily preaching and leading of classes, and the salaries were very small. He threw into this pioneer work all the treasures of his young manhood, and soon gained a place in the hearts of the people for himself, and won for the M. P. Church an honorable recognition as one of the divine agencies in the salvation of the world. Slowly but surely his talents, his eloquence, his forceful personality, won for him a place

in his conference and in all the circles where his ministry was providentially ordered. For thirty years he has been a recognized leader in his own conference and in the whole church. He was president of his own conference, and twice was elected president of the General Conference. He was familiar with church law and parliamentary usage, and was recognized as fair and impartial in his rulings. He was representative to the General Conference in 1862, and honored by his conference in election to every subsequent General Conference to and including the one in 1896. The title of Doctor of Divinity was conferred upon him by the Gettysburg College of the Lutheran Church in 1868. His relation to Western Maryland College, the Theological Seminary, the METHODIST PROTESTANT, and all our general interests has been close and helpful. He loved the church, and all her interests were dear to him. Brother Dale, who knew him in his early manhood, bears testimony to his integrity of character and forceful ministry. Brother Upperman, in his old age, remembers with thankfulness his sermons on redemption. They helped him to a clear apprehension of the atoning Saviour. Brother Holmes writes: "One of the greatest blessings of my ministerial life was to travel one year with Dr. Bates. He was a man—a man in every sense of the word—a man in character, in heart, in mind, in bearing, in power and influence. He was fearless, sincere and firm, but the one characteristic that most deeply impressed me was his power. As a preacher he was wonderful. He would take a great subject and master it, and it would master him. He would be absorbed, filled, thrilled and oblivious to everything else, and as he swept on in his impassioned discussion, or declamation, his whole audience would catch his inspiration and go with him. His thoughts were clear, his arguments convincing, and his language at times rich and glowing as a splendid sunset. He was not the cool, calm, self-possessed speaker that we read of in rhetoric, who must move his audience, but be unmoved himself; but he was the warm-hearted, clear-headed, living, powerful man who felt and saw and glowed in the mighty truths he was preaching, and therefore he made others feel, and swayed his audience by his eloquence as the golden wheat field is swayed by the summer breeze. It was delightful at times to sit in his audience and forget where you were, and who was next to you, and forget the preacher and see nothing but the one great subject that was blazing as an altar fire before your mind and heart. He was a manly man and a man of God. He was born with the elements of great abilities and cultivated the elements until they became great, and used all he had for the glory of the Master."

Brother Crouse writes: "His ability as a wise counsellor was generally recognized. His well-balanced mind, clear and penetrating judgment, virile and practical common sense, and his ability to put the result of his thinking in striking, clear-cut and aphoristic phrases made him a valuable,

safe and frequently-sought counsellor of his brethren. Perhaps there was no one who was in such confidential relations with so many of our ministers as he, and there were few measures or plans launched in the conference by his brethren in which his advice was not sought. We had come not only to value his judgment, but to appreciate and confide in his unselfish and fraternal interest in all the work and the workers. The numbers and the frequency of the visits paid him during the year and a half he was for the most part kept at home by his physical infirmity attest not only the affectionate regard in which he was held, but the respect that his brethren of the ministry and laity held for his judgment; for many of his visitors solicited his advice in church administration and pastoral work. Another feature of his character that gave him a unique place in the esteem of his brethren was his cordial interest in and his accessibility to the younger members of the conference. He had the veneration of his younger brethren; they looked up to him with unqualified respect, but at the same time he had the faculty of making them his familiar and confidential companions. His frequent sallies of wit and good-natured jocularly put them at their ease, and often opened the way for a friendly bit of advice, which they would not have accepted so kindly perhaps from another. He had the rare faculty of humor without degenerating into frivolity and trifling. He seldom, if ever, gave offense by his witticisms, and frequently made them the vehicle of wholesome counsel and criticism. Dr. Bates was a man of decided convictions and was independent in all his judgments. But he never urged his convictions with unbecoming warmth or offensive positiveness; he was very liberal and charitable toward those holding contrary opinions, and from a respect for the rights of others encouraged the freest expression of views opposed to his own. If the presentation of his opinions and the argument by which they were enforced did not win assent, he was ready to accept the issue with courage and grace."

William J. C. Dulany, another member of this committee, and a steadfast friend of Dr. Bates, has joined him beyond the veil, in a fellowship that will never be broken again. Dr. Bates had his share of the afflictions of life. His son, and only child, after years of broken health and suffering, died beneath his own roof, leaving one son, now grown to manhood. His wife, the "Queen," as he fondly called her, after protracted suffering, passed away in 1897. Left alone with his grandson, he addressed himself to the work of life anew, and "finished his course and kept the faith" to the end. The funeral services were held at West Baltimore Church. Dr. S. B. Southerland, his conference companion through sixty years, had charge of the services, and Dr. E. J. Drinkhouse, Dr. F. T. Tagg, Revs. T. O. Crouse and J. D. Kinzer participated. Many ministers of our own and other churches and a large company of sorrowing friends were present. The body was placed temporarily in the vault in Loudon Park,

but will in the spring be taken to Worcester County and laid beneath the whispering pines, by the side of his wife and son in Nassawange Churchyard. That historic spot will henceforth be more than ever attractive to those who love the Methodist Protestant Church.

J. D. KINZER, J. M. HOLMES, T. O. CROUSE, WILLIAM DALE, CHARLES A. UPPERMAN.

March 9th, 1901.

REV. GEORGE JEFFREY SMITH.

Rev. George Jeffrey Smith closed his life on earth at the home of his father-in-law at Madison, Dorchester county, Md., April 26th, 1900. Bro. Smith was born on Long Island, N. Y., October 1, 1844. When a boy of fourteen years he was converted and received into the Methodist Protestant Church, near his home. His primary education was received in the public schools of the Island, but he subsequently pursued his studies in New York city. As he grew into young manhood his thoughts turned to the practice of medicine, and he began a course of study with the purpose of devoting his life to that honorable profession. Before completing the course, however, he was constrained by what he recognized as the call of God to abandon his cherished purpose and enter upon the work of the Gospel ministry.

He was received into the New York Conference in 1865, but we do not know definitely how long he remained in that body. He was subsequently a member of the Muskingum Conference for several years. In 1875 Rev. Dr. David Wilson, then president of the Maryland Conference, secured his services on Cambridge Circuit, which had at the previous session been left unsupplied. At the session of 1876 he was received into the Conference and reappointed to that charge. And for twenty-five years he has gone in and out among us, bearing his full share of the trials and hardships of itinerant life. In these years he has served the following charges in the order named: Cambridge, Williamsport, Leipsic, Franklin City, Felton, Snow Hill, Crumpton, Reliance, Clayton, Wilmington, Mt. Nebo, Pocomoke and Frederica.

He was married December 17, 1879, to Anne, the daughter of John Edward Harrington, of Madison, Dorchester county, Md. She was a faithful wife, and valuable helper in all the work of his ministry. Their home was a place of cheerfulness and hospitality. The parsonage became the centre of the best social life of the community, and all healthful activities of the church were fostered and promoted there. The charges which fell to their lot were sometimes weak, and the salaries small, but there was cheerful acceptance of the situation and bright faces and cordial welcome for all who came to their door.

Brother Smith was never a very vigorous man, and large circuits, with long rides, and the strain of special meetings were too much for his

strength. During the last few years it was evident to his friends that his strength was failing, but he loved his work and was unwilling to give up while it was possible to continue in it.

Brother Smith loved literature and was happy to be among his books, with the magazines and current literature of the day about him. He often wrote for magazines and other periodicals articles which were much appreciated by the publishers. His large store of information and familiarity with current events made him an entertaining and instructive preacher. He had great popularity on some of his charges; the people delighted to hear him. He was very earnest in the presentation of essential Gospel truths, and in some places his work was crowned with great revivals and large ingatherings of precious souls. He had not, however, the physical strength for a protracted campaign of revival work.

He was one of the most genial and companionable of men. He loved his brethren in the Conference, and greatly enjoyed association with them at camp-meeting or conference. On the charges he served he won the people to himself by his firm social qualities, as well as by his pulpit ministrations. His spirit was loving and cheerful, and his conversation was entertaining and instructive. He was a Christian gentleman everywhere, and was always welcome in the homes of his people.

The latter part of last year, at Frederica, he reluctantly yielded to the advice of his friends and went to Madison, where he hoped to recuperate. He anticipated the conference session at Westminster, and longed to meet his brethren there. When he realized that he was not able to go it was a great disappointment, and his strength failed rapidly. He was confined to his bed nine weeks. He spoke of his departure as "going home," and said "they are waiting for me at the river." He called his brother Frank frequently the last night of his life, and it was subsequently learned that his brother died suddenly in New York the same night.

His last intelligent expression to wife and son when he could not speak was to point up to the heavens. His work is done. "Blessed are the dead who die in the Lord." It is well with him.

His funeral services were conducted by Rev. S. B. Tredway, assisted by the Methodist Episcopal and the M. E. South ministers of the community. Business was suspended and the people of the whole vicinage came to show their love and respect for the deceased ex-pastor. The burial was in the Harrington lot of the Madison burying-ground.

J. D. KINSER, T. J. HAYMAN, S. B. TREDWAY, T. P. PUSEY, D. W. ANSTINE, W. H. WIX.

June 30, 1900.

REV. HAMILTON JEFFERSON DAY.

In Lisbon, Howard County, Maryland, on the 16th day of December, 1820, was born unto Urbin W. Day and Sarah Rebecca, his wife, a son whom they named Hamilton Jefferson, the subject of this memoir. Of his earliest days, education and social surroundings, this committee has

had no certain information; neither has it learned when he was converted and became a member of the church. But it is assumed that in his young manhood he gave indications of piety and mental ability that marked him in the estimation of his brethren as a suitable person to preach the Gospel, for in the spring of 1846 he was received into the itinerancy by the Maryland Conference of the Methodist Protestant Church, and assigned to Union Circuit as an assistant to Rev. Laurence W. Bates, with whom he continued two years—the second year at the solicitation of the people. Dr. Bates says: “He was popular; a good preacher; a fine exhorter, and esteemed socially.” Subsequently, he served Queen Anne’s Circuit, Jefferson, Anne Arundel, Pipe Creek, Cambridge, Caroline and South Baltimore Station. In 1859, he was superannuated, but became effective in 1861, during which year and the following he was in charge of Union Circuit; in 1862 and 1863, he was pastor of Warwick Circuit; in 1864, of South Baltimore Station, and the following year, assistant on Caroline Circuit. In 1866 and ’67, he was superannuated; in 1868, assistant on Queen Anne’s Circuit, and in 1869, returned to the superannuated list, in which he continued to the end of his natural life. It appears from the conference record that of the fifty-four years he was a member of the body, thirty-four of them were superannuated. Any one that has known the joy of active service in the blessed ministry of reconciliation may realize, but no other can, what it is to be set aside for so many years from a service in which his soul delights. No one that has the spirit of his calling will desist from labor, as he has opportunity, because doors of usefulness that he would gladly enter are closed against him; but will do the good he can in his Providential surroundings. Brother Day was not altogether idle in the days of his unwelcome retirement. Rev. Wm. H. Litsinger, after writing of him as a quiet, gentlemanly minister, adds: “He was very regular in his attendance at the services of Christ Church, it being nearer to him than Lafayette Avenue Church, of whose quarterly conference he was a member, and ever ready, when failing health did not forbid, to preach the Gospel. . . . Brother Day held a warm place in the hearts of our members, by whom he is now greatly missed, I am sure. In prayer he was fervent, and in testimony eloquent at times, manifesting in all a life hid with Christ in God.”

Mr. Amon A. Richards, a member of this committee, writes: “He was a good preacher, earnest and practical; he impressed me by his every-day life and conversation that he lived the religion he could no longer preach.” Rev. Hanson P. Jordan says: “Bro. H. J. Day was my colleague on Pipe Creek Circuit when it had Westminster, Uniontown, Pipe Creek, Sam’s Creek, Liberty, Johnsville, Israel’s Creek and Woodsborough in the circuit. He had very poor health, but was a fine, edifying preacher, deeply pious and acceptable. Brother Day never made any enemies. Everybody loved him.”

On the 8th of March, 1849, Brother Day was joined in matrimony to Miss Sallie E. Maloy, of Queen's Anne's county, Md., a daughter of estimable members of the church, whose kindness and hospitality are well remembered and appreciated by surviving friends, both in the ministry and the laity. Mrs. Day is widowed, and a son and daughter are fatherless today.

Rev. James E. Maloy, a brother-in-law, says: "My knowledge of him as a man, acquired by closest contact with him, such as the home life furnishes, I want to say it were impossible to eulogize him too highly. . . . I can never forget my father's fondness for him and devotion to him. . . . To know him was to love him, and the better one knew him the better that one loved him. It is true, indeed, that he seemed to stand aloof from his brethren, but it was only seeming, not real. He was naturally modest and retiring, but when approached was found to be warm-hearted and true."

Brother Day served as chaplain of the Maryland House of Delegates in 1892. As to his departure we quote the language of his daughter. "He died as he lived—a quiet, peaceful death—on the 15th of June, in his eightieth year." It is gratifying to remember that there was no painful struggle with fierce disease as the end drew near. His exodus was simply the giving way of tired nature. "The weary wheels of life stood still at last." Of those who were members of conference when he was received the roll shows but four names today. These

"—— a little longer stay;
How much longer none can tell,"

The mortal remains of Brother Day lie in Greenmount Cemetery. Rev. S. B. Southerland, D.D., assisted by Brothers Sheridan, Tagg and Crouse, conducted the funeral services.

JOHN J. MURRAY, HENRY C. CUSHING, HANSON P. JORDAN, WM. H. LITSINGER, AMON A. RICHARDS.—*Committee.*

MRS. LETITIA C. ELDERDICE.

Mrs. Letitia C. Elderdice, wife of Rev. James Luther Elderdice, born June 22, 1862, married October 1, 1884, departed from earth August 30, 1900. In girlhood she joined the Presbyterian Church in Princess Anne, Md. Her early maidenhood was spent as teacher in the public schools, popular alike, with pupil and patron. Her Sunday-school also welcomed her as one "apt to teach." When she left her home for the uncertain home of an itinerant preacher she was as fine a specimen of beautiful womanhood as ever graced the marriage altar; but the bloom of the bride soon gave place to the pallor of the invalid. A complication of insidious diseases baffled for years the skill of many physicians, and the constant

nursing of her husband; yet, though gradually wasting away, there were heroic efforts to aid in the work of the church. The Fawn Grove Church will remember her as a leading spirit in the Sunday-school and Christian Endeavor Society. On the Kempton Charge her sufferings prevented active work, but those who knew her best saw a thoughtful mother who tried to hide her pain from her sons lest their young lives be burdened. The last five months of her earthly life were passed in the parsonage of the St. John's Church, Canton, Baltimore. From that people comes this last tribute: "She came to us weak and emaciated, but with an ambition seldom seen in a body so frail. Her greatest sorrow was that she could not do more for the Master, with whose work she was familiar. Grateful for the sympathetic help given her, she would exclaim: 'Oh that I could write to THE METHODIST PROTESTANT how kind this church has been to me!'" For three years denied the privilege of public worship, she was one month before her funeral carried to the sanctuary, where her feeble voice was heard in the Christian Endeavor Society, and where her feeble form for the last time bowed at the Lord's table. The next time the "fruit of the vine" was in the sacramental cup at the altar of St. John's Church she was drinking it new with her Lord in the kingdom of her Father. Services, conducted by Revs. W. S. Hammond and J. M. Holmes, were held at 3116 Hudson street, after which the remains were taken to Princess Anne for interment. Rev. S. J. Smith, assisted by Dr. Brackett, having charge of the burial service.

HUGH L. ELDERDICE, J. H. DAUGHERTY, T. H. WRIGHT, C. F. GRUBBS, WALLACE MITCHELL, JOHN T. CHASE,—*Committee.*

MRS. EMILEY C. SHREEVE

Mrs. Emiley C. Shreeve, beloved wife of Rev. Jesse Shreeve, of the Maryland Annual Conference, Methodist Protestant Church, departed this life in blessed hope of immortality, on Wednesday of this week, October 31, near the hour of 1 o'clock P.M. For some time Mrs. Shreeve had been in failing health and her suffering was very great, but now she rests from her labors and her works do follow her. At the time of her death Mrs. Shreeve was in her sixty-fifth year. She was the daughter of Rev. Isaac and Rebecca Taylor, of Baltimore County, and was married to Rev. Jesse Shreeve in the year 1862. In every sense of the word she was an ideal and model wife and helpmeet for her husband in the sacred work of the ministry. Mrs. Shreeve was the devoted mother of four children, two of which died in infancy, and the other two, Dr. S. J. Shreeve, of Uniontown, Maryland, and Mrs. R. Lulu Stevens, of Kent County, with their father, mourn the loss of the best of all earthly friends, the true wife and consecrated Christian mother. When the deceased had given up all hope of recovery she said to her husband: "I have no fear of

death, not the slightest; I feel that my work is done; my way is perfectly clear." Continuing, she said the only thing which troubled her was to leave her husband alone. Said she: "Our separation will be only for a little while." Her husband by her bedside replied: "My Dear: The struggle will soon be over; the Glory Land now appears in full view, and you will soon be at rest." "There is sweet rest—there is sweet rest in Heaven." At the last while she was too weak to speak, in response to the blessed words of her devoted husband, her countenance lighted up with the blessed anticipations of "The Home of the Soul." In early life Mrs. Shreeve gave herself to Christ and his church, and eternity alone will reveal the stars in the crown of her rejoicing for the many whom she had been instrumental in leading to her Saviour. Funeral services were held in the Wesleyan Chapel Church, of Chesapeake charge, on Friday at 2 o'clock P.M., conducted by the writer, after which the remains of deceased were interred in the adjoining cemetery to await the "Resurrection of the just."

"Asleep in Jesus, blessed sleep,
From which none ever wakes to weep;
A calm and undisturbed repose,
Unbroken by the last of foes."

Rock Hall, Kent County, Maryland.

F. H. MULLINEAUX.

FINANCIAL AND STATISTICAL
TABLES.

Collection for General Interests for the Year Ending April, 1901.

No.	CHARGE.	PRESID'T'S SAL.		CONFER'CE.		MIN. EDU'N.		THEOL. SEM'Y.		SUPERAN'TES.		CHUR. EXTEN.		GEN. HOME MIS.		FORIGN MIS.		TOTAL.		Special for Foreign Missions.	Bible.	Tract.	Our Church Home.	Total Amt Rais'd for General Interests.
		Assess.	Paid.	Assess.	Paid.	Assess.	Paid.	Assess.	Paid.	Assess.	Paid.	Assess.	Paid.	Assess.	Paid.	Assess.	Paid.	Assess.	Paid.					
1	Accomac	18.00	18.00	3.50	3.50	5.00	5.00	14.00	14.00	30.00	30.00	32.00	32.00	12.00	12.00	22.00	22.00	136.50	136.50	26.46	1.00	1.00	.....	161.96
2	Alexandria	25.00	25.00	4.50	1.00	6.00	4.00	20.00	5.00	42.00	10.00	44.00	3.00	16.50	5.00	30.00	5.00	188.00	58.00	68.22	1.00	1.00	7.00	135.22
3	Alnut Memorial	52.00	52.00	9.00	9.00	13.00	13.00	41.50	41.50	88.50	88.50	91.00	91.00	34.00	34.00	62.50	62.50	391.50	391.50	195.05	5.00	5.00	7.25	603.80
4	Amelia	15.00	17.00	2.75	1.00	4.00	.50	12.00	1.50	25.00	3.00	26.00	3.00	10.00	1.00	18.00	2.00	112.75	29.00	14.26	.15	.10	.25	43.76
5	Baltimore	18.00	18.00	3.50	3.00	5.00	4.00	14.00	12.00	30.00	25.00	32.00	25.00	12.00	10.00	22.00	10.00	136.50	107.00	25.00	1.00	1.00	2.00	136.00
6	Beaver Dam	8.00	8.00	2.25	1.00	2.00	2.00	6.00	4.00	14.00	11.00	14.00	10.00	5.25	4.13	10.00	7.00	61.50	47.13	8.00	.25	.25	1.00	51.63
7	Bedford	25.00	25.00	4.50	1.00	6.00	3.00	20.00	14.00	42.00	14.00	44.00	20.00	16.50	13.00	30.00	24.00	188.00	114.00	.....	.....	.....	3.00	117.00
8	Belair	25.00	25.00	4.50	2.00	6.00	3.00	20.00	15.00	42.00	28.00	44.00	28.00	16.50	10.00	30.00	10.00	188.00	121.00	47.35	.50	.50	.....	169.35
9	Bethany	10.00	11.00	2.25	2.25	3.00	1.00	8.00	8.00	17.00	8.00	18.00	9.00	6.50	4.00	12.00	8.00	76.75	50.25	12.00	.....	.....	4.25	66.50
10	Broadway	20.00	20.00	3.50	3.50	5.00	5.00	16.00	16.00	34.00	34.00	35.00	35.00	13.00	13.00	24.00	24.00	150.50	150.50	32.00	1.00	1.00	5.00	189.50
11	Brooklyn	15.00	15.00	2.75	2.75	4.00	4.00	12.00	12.00	25.00	21.25	26.00	22.00	10.00	8.00	18.00	18.22	112.75	103.22	18.55	.25	.25	1.40	110.22
12	Cambridge	25.00	25.00	4.50	3.00	6.00	4.60	20.00	19.00	42.00	30.00	44.00	31.00	16.50	13.50	30.00	21.00	148.00	141.10	.....	.....	.....	2.40	161.55
13	Campbell	10.00	7.00	2.25	1.00	3.00	1.55	8.00	2.00	17.00	4.00	18.00	2.00	6.50	1.00	12.00	1.50	76.75	26.00	.....	.....	.....	2.40	22.40
14	Caroline	20.00	20.00	3.50	1.93	5.00	2.76	16.00	8.83	34.00	14.76	35.00	19.31	13.00	7.17	24.00	6.48	150.50	85.24	17.52	.50	.50	6.00	103.76
15	Cecil	25.00	30.00	4.50	4.50	6.00	6.00	20.00	20.00	42.00	42.00	44.00	51.00	16.50	16.50	30.00	30.00	188.00	200.00	58.00	1.00	1.00	6.00	266.00
16	Central	25.00	25.00	4.50	4.50	6.00	6.00	20.00	20.00	42.00	48.00	44.00	48.00	16.50	16.50	30.00	30.00	188.00	200.00	78.60	2.00	1.39	11.00	299.81
17	Centreville	20.00	20.00	3.50	3.50	5.00	5.00	16.00	16.00	34.00	34.00	35.00	35.00	13.00	13.00	24.00	21.00	150.50	150.50	65.00	1.00	1.00	5.00	222.50
18	Chesapeake	18.00	18.00	3.50	3.50	5.00	5.00	14.00	14.00	30.00	30.00	32.00	32.00	12.00	12.00	22.00	22.00	136.50	136.50	30.89	1.50	1.00	5.00	174.89
19	Chestertown	42.00	42.00	7.25	7.25	10.50	10.50	33.50	39.50	71.50	71.50	73.50	73.50	27.50	27.50	50.50	50.50	316.25	322.25	43.46	.50	.50	7.00	378.71
20	Chincoteague	15.00	15.00	2.75	1.50	4.00	3.00	12.00	12.00	25.00	15.00	26.00	15.00	10.00	6.00	18.00	2.00	112.75	69.50	10.00	.25	.25	2.00	81.50
21	Christ's Church	5.00	5.00	1.25	1.25	2.00	2.00	4.00	4.00	8.00	8.00	9.00	9.00	3.25	3.25	6.00	6.00	38.50	38.50	19.00	2.00	.50	5.00	60.75
22	Clayton	20.00	20.00	3.50	2.75	5.00	3.50	16.00	16.00	34.00	24.00	35.00	26.50	13.00	9.00	24.00	8.00	150.50	109.75	.....	.50	.50	5.00	136.25
23	Clinton Avenue	8.00	8.00	2.25	2.25	2.00	2.00	6.00	6.00	14.00	14.00	14.00	14.00	5.25	5.25	10.00	10.00	61.50	61.50	27.21	.50	.50	5.00	99.00
24	Concord	20.00	20.00	3.50	2.00	5.00	4.00	16.00	15.00	34.00	24.00	35.00	24.00	13.00	10.00	24.00	.....	150.50	95.00	.....	.50	.50	3.00	99.00
25	Conquest	18.00	18.00	3.50	3.00	5.00	5.00	14.00	10.00	30.00	13.00	32.00	20.00	12.00	6.00	22.00	20.00	136.50	95.00	35.07	1.00	1.00	5.00	269.07
26	Crisfield	30.00	30.00	5.50	5.50	8.00	8.00	24.00	24.00	51.00	51.00	53.00	53.00	19.50	19.50	36.00	36.00	227.00	227.00	15.00	.....	.....	5.00	70.00
27	Crumpton	12.00	12.00	2.25	2.00	2.00	2.00	10.00	8.00	21.00	8.00	21.00	8.00	8.00	5.00	14.00	5.00	90.25	76.50	25.30	1.00	1.00	5.00	108.80
28	Cumberland	18.00	18.00	3.50	3.00	5.00	5.00	14.00	14.00	30.00	6.00	32.00	25.00	12.00	5.00	22.00	.....	136.50	76.50	3.54	1.00	.25	5.00	100.04
29	Deer Creek	12.00	12.00	2.25	2.25	2.00	2.00	10.00	10.00	21.00	21.00	21.00	21.00	8.00	8.00	14.00	4.00	90.25	90.25	.....	.50	.50	.50	69.50
30	Deer Park	15.00	15.00	2.75	1.00	4.00	1.00	12.00	3.00	25.00	10.00	26.00	6.00	10.00	12.00	18.00	10.00	112.75	68.00	15.50	.50	.50	.....	79.50
31	Delmar	20.00	20.00	3.50	1.00	5.00	2.00	16.00	4.00	34.00	14.00	35.00	13.00	13.00	5.00	24.00	4.00	150.50	63.00	.....	.25	.25	5.00	137.50
32	Delta	18.00	18.00	3.50	3.50	5.00	5.00	14.00	14.00	30.00	30.00	32.00	32.00	12.00	12.00	22.00	2.00	136.50	136.50	15.00	1.00	1.00	5.00	98.75
33	Denton	10.00	10.00	2.25	2.25	3.00	3.00	8.00	8.00	17.00	17.00	18.00	18.00	6.50	6.50	12.00	2.00	76.75	76.75	.....	1.00	1.00	5.00	157.50
34	Dorchester	20.00	20.00	3.50	3.50	5.00	5.00	16.00	16.00	34.00	34.00	35.00	35.00	13.00	13.00	24.00	3.00	76.75	47.00	.....	.11	.10	.....	51.60
35	Dover	10.00	10.00	2.25	1.00	3.00	1.75	8.00	3.00	17.00	9.00	18.00	6.00	6.50	3.25	12.00	3.00	76.75	217.63	86.03	1.00	2.50	5.65	312.81
36	East Baltimore	35.00	35.00	6.00	6.00	9.00	7.00	28.00	28.00	59.00	59.00	61.00	48.63	23.00	15.00	42.00	3.00	263.00	533.00	44.62	225.00	210.00	12.50	1,025.12
37	Easton	35.00	35.00	6.00	6.00	9.00	9.00	28.00	28.00	59.00	54.00	61.00	44.00	23.00	23.00	42.00	4.00	263.00	240.00	33.55	.....	.....	1.00	273.55
38	Elizabeth	35.00	35.00	6.00	5.00	9.00	5.00	14.00	10.00	30.00	15.00	32.00	22.00	12.00	6.00	22.00	4.00	136.50	82.00	25.35	1.00	1.00	1.00	110.35
39	Eutaw	18.00	18.00	3.50	2.00	5.00	1.25	4.00	3.00	8.00	2.17	9.00	2.50	3.25	1.00	6.00	.....	38.50	6.77	4.00	.50	.50	5.00	22.50
40	Evergreen	5.00	5.00	1.25	.60	2.00	1.25	4.00	3.00	8.00	2.17	9.00	2.50	3.25	1.00	6.00	10.00	107.00	61.50	15.24	.25	.25	.....	82.24
41	Fairfax	8.00	8.00	2.25	2.25	2.00	2.00	6.00	6.00	14.00	14.00	14.00	14.00	5.25	5.25	10.00	10.00	61.50	113.00	46.69	.77	.77	.....	161.23
42	Fawn Grove	20.00	20.00	3.50	3.50	5.00	4.00	14.00	6.00	30.00	9.00	32.00	5.00	13.00	10.00	24.00	15.00	136.50	44.00	3.00	.25	.25	1.00	48.50
43	Felton	18.25	18.00	3.50	1.00	5.00	1.00	14.00	6.00	30.00	9.00	32.00	5.00	12.00	3.00	22.00	1.00	136.50	124.00	40.00	1.00	1.00	5.00	171.00
44	Finksburg	20.00	20.00	3.50	3.00	5.00	4.00	16.00	14.00	34.00	28.00	35.00	28.00	13.00	10.00	24.00	20.00	150.50	124.00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....

Collections for Local Interests and Totals for all

No.	CHARGES.	PASTOR'S SALARY.		Rent of Parsonage.	Current Expenses.	Sun's School Expenses.	Building and Improvements.
		Assess.	Paid.				
1	Accomac		615.00		57.64	140.23	90.00
2	Alexandria	700.00	700.00		200.39	330.50	44.50
3	Alnutt Memorial	1,200.00	1,200.00		706.93	483.02	
4	Amelia	325.00	300.00		18.00	17.00	6.00
5	Baltimore	500.00	500.00		100.00	25.00	27.00
6	Beaver Dam	350.00	350.00		33.13	21.71	94.75
7	Bedford	600.00	600.00		100.00	60.00	350.00
8	Belair	755.00	755.00		250.00	35.00	500.00
9	Bethany	400.00	400.00		215.30	75.00	125.00
10	Broadway	600.00	600.00		359.00	122.77	115.00
11	Brooklyn	500.00	500.00		139.00	54.00	205.00
12	Cambridge	700.00	700.00		200.00	75.00	100.00
13	Campbell	197.34	155.34		25.00	8.00	20.00
14	Caroline	600.00	560.00		130.00		50.00
15	Cecil	700.00	800.00		300.00	100.00	1,900.00
16	Central	1,000.00	1,000.00		370.69	60.90	
17	Centreville	600.00	700.00		533.96		167.00
18	Chesapeake	500.00	500.00		53.50	20.85	150.00
19	Chestertown	1,000.00	1,000.00		500.00		2,000.00
20	Chincoteague	500.00	525.00		50.00	25.00	825.00
21	Christ's Church	364.00	364.00		140.00	131.65	
22	Clayton	575.00	575.00		92.00	22.00	144.36
23	Clinton Avenue	400.00	400.00		99.95	139.93	
24	Concord	450.00	450.00		103.00	61.00	
25	Conquest	600.00	605.00		200.00	125.00	540.00
26	Crisfield	1,000.00	1,000.00		727.00	260.00	50.00
27	Crumpton	375.00	378.12		106.47	26.84	50.84
28	Cumberland	600.00	311.79	180.00	112.50	57.27	15.00
29	Deer Creek	325.00	300.00		81.11	42.39	151.84
30	Deer Park	375.00	365.00		31.00	75.00	45.00
31	Delmar	600.00	665.00		150.00	44.00	100.00
32	Delta	500.00	500.00		105.00	35.00	123.50
33	Denton	300.10	300.10		110.00	65.00	10.00
34	Dorchester	650.00	650.00		100.00	25.00	550.00
35	Dover	450.00	450.00		167.69	30.00	
36	East Baltimore	1,000.00	1,000.00		846.67	127.74	50.00
37	Easton	800.00	800.00		648.18	75.34	129.28
38	Elizabeth	1,200.00	1,225.00		945.00	218.45	1,000.00
39	Eutaw	500.00	500.00		100.00	38.00	
40	Evergreen	207.00	207.00		147.63	41.20	
41	Fairfax	385.00	405.48		46.00	89.67	418.25
42	Fawn Grove	600.00	600.00		118.50	59.00	164.15
43	Felton	500.00	490.00	75.00	105.00	20.00	230.00
44	Finksburg	600.00	600.00		130.00	100.00	

Purposes for the Year Ending April, 1901.

No.	Church and Parsonage Debt.	Total amount of money raised for Local In- terests.	Miscellaneous Purposes.	Total Paid for General Interests.	Total Paid for Local Interests.	Special.	Total Paid for all Purposes.
	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$
1	120.00	1,022.87	1.70	164.96	1,022.87	1.70	1,189.53
2	50.60	1,325.99	125.43	135.22	1,325.99	125.43	1,586.64
3	.....	2,389.95	727.77	603.80	2,389.95	727.77	3,721.52
4	.....	341.00	8.00	43.76	341.00	8.00	392.76
5	255.00	907.00	155.00	136.00	907.00	155.00	1,198.00
6	50.80	550.39	80	51.63	550.39	80	602.82
7	20.00	1,130.00	58.00	117.00	1,130.00	58.00	1,305.00
8	150.00	1,690.00	37.50	169.35	1,690.00	37.50	1,896.85
9	65.20	881.00	60.50	66.50	881.00	60.50	1,008.00
10	500.00	1,696.77	73.50	189.50	1,696.77	73.50	1,959.77
11	1,520.00	2,418.00	72.50	110.22	2,418.00	72.50	2,600.72
12	1,000.00	2,075.00	135.75	161.55	2,075.00	135.75	2,372.30
13	.....	208.34	96.00	22.40	208.34	96.00	326.74
14	.....	665.00	5.00	103.76	665.00	5.00	773.76
15	600.00	3,700.00	57.25	266.00	3,700.00	57.25	4,023.25
16	.....	1,431.59	435.96	299.81	1,431.59	435.96	2,167.36
17	.....	1,400.96	7.00	222.50	1,400.96	7.00	1,630.46
18	.....	724.35	43.68	174.89	724.35	43.68	942.92
19	.....	3,500.00	100.00	373.71	3,500.00	100.00	3,973.71
20	.....	1,425.00	11.50	81.50	1,425.00	11.50	1,518.00
21	25.00	660.65	330.00	60.75	660.65	330.00	1,061.40
22	55.02	888.38	37.75	136.25	888.38	37.75	1,062.38
23	.....	639.88	.....	63.00	639.88	.....	702.88
24	.....	614.00	95.89	132.21	614.00	95.89	842.10
25	360.00	1,830.00	77.00	99.00	1,830.00	77.00	2,006.00
26	1,000.00	3,037.00	69.00	269.07	3,037.00	69.00	3,375.07
27	16.20	578.49	19.05	70.00	578.49	19.00	667.49
28	.....	676.50	48.01	108.80	676.50	48.01	833.31
29	.....	575.34	122.55	100.04	575.34	122.55	797.98
30	150.00	666.00	18.50	69.50	666.00	18.50	754.00
31	.....	959.00	2.00	79.50	959.00	2.00	1,040.50
32	238.00	1,001.50	16.80	137.50	1,001.50	16.80	1,155.80
33	50.00	535.10	102.75	98.75	531.10	102.75	736.60
34	100.00	1,425.00	114.50	157.50	1,425.00	114.50	1,697.00
35	42.00	689.69	19.78	51.60	689.69	18.78	761.07
36	50.00	2,074.41	591.00	312.81	2,074.41	591.00	2,978.22
37	.....	1,652.80	118.90	1,025.12	1,652.80	118.90	2,796.82
38	677.75	4,066.20	88.35	273.55	4,066.20	88.35	4,428.10
39	.....	638.00	22.00	110.35	638.00	22.00	770.35
40	.....	395.83	11.72	22.50	395.83	11.72	449.55
41	.....	959.40	63.67	82.24	959.40	63.67	1,105.31
42	.....	941.65	27.84	161.23	941.65	27.84	1,130.72
43	33.00	953.00	31.80	48.50	953.00	31.80	1,033.30
44	.....	830.00	.....	171.00	830.00	.....	1,001.00

Collections for Local Interests and Totals for all

No.	CHARGES.	PASTORS' SALARY.		Rent of Parsonage.	Current Expenses.	Sabbath School Expenses.	Building and Improvements.
		Assess.	Paid.				
45	First Church.....	700.00	700.00	.....	739.42	180.49	.....
46	Fox Hill.....	325.00	325.00	.....	96.00	58.54	235.00
47	Franklin City.....	600.00	550.00	.....	125.00	75.00	50.00
48	Frederica.....	300.00	151.08	.....	50.00	6.00	.....
49	Frederick.....	500.00	500.00	.....	90.00	100.00	250.00
50	Georgetown, D. C.....	1,200.00	1,200.00	.....	752.00	237.73	200.00
51	Georgetown, Del.....	500.00	501.25	82.50	100.00	67.61	60.00
52	Georgetown Circuit...	300.00	310.00	.....	60.00	36.00	76.50
53	Greenwood.....	500.00	500.00	.....	45.00	34.00	239.50
54	Grove.....	450.00	450.00	.....	32.00	59.97	1.50
55	Hampden.....	800.00	800.00	.....	673.76	272.42	.....
56	Harper's Ferry.....	500.00	500.00	.....	120.00	35.00	.....
57	Harrington.....	700.00	700.00	.....	150.00	135.00	100.00
58	Heathsville.....	400.00	355.00	.....	.....	.....	.....
59	Howard.....	500.00	500.00	.....	51.00	22.00	815.75
60	Hurlock's.....	450.00	450.00	.....	80.00	66.00	200.00
61	Indian River.....	60.00	60.00	.....	.....	.....	.....
62	Jefferson.....	800.00	800.00	.....	350.52	149.00	349.00
63	Keen Memorial.....	500.00	500.00	.....	150.00	40.00	275.00
64	Kempton.....	600.00	600.00	.....	175.00	100.00	35.00
65	Kennedyville.....	500.00	500.00	.....	147.46	27.65	45.00
66	Kent Island.....	500.00	500.00	.....	100.00	20.00	12.00
67	Laurel.....	900.00	900.00	.....	153.17	68.40	78.67
68	Lawsonia.....	300.00	275.00	.....	64.00	35.64	14.70
69	Leipscic.....	250.00	250.00	.....	29.31	31.83	106.91
70	Lewistown.....	150.00	85.16	.....	30.06	9.10	.....
71	Liberty.....	500.00	550.00	.....	175.00	100.00	270.00
72	Lisbon.....	600.00	600.00	.....	125.00	50.00	115.00
73	Lynchburg.....	840.00	840.00	.....	700.00	56.00	.....
74	Mardela.....	450.00	351.78	.....	33.50	32.70	25.87
75	Mariners.....	700.00	700.00	.....	150.00	75.00	50.00
76	Marley.....	425.00	300.00	.....	50.00	10.00	30.00
77	Middleway.....	250.00	218.22	.....	.....	.....	.....
78	Millville.....	215.00	215.00	.....	15.00	30.00	125.00
79	Milton.....	460.00	460.00	.....	70.00	15.00	78.00
80	Montgomery.....	100.00	100.00	.....	12.00	10.00	.....
81	Mt. Nebo.....	300.00	337.40	.....	76.32	18.84	7.00
82	Mt. Taber.....	500.00	500.00	.....	143.00	58.51	620.00
83	Newark.....	1,500.00	1,500.00	.....	2,984.00	284.00	166.00
84	New Market.....	700.00	700.00	.....	244.12	153.62	133.00
85	Nichols' Memorial....	300.00	300.00	.....	35.72	13.30	26.09
86	N. Baltimore.....	800.00	800.00	.....	757.18	135.88	1,013.25*
87	N. C. Avenue.....	800.00	800.00	.....	343.38	137.00	3,418.91
88	Oak Grove.....	325.00	325.00	.....	35.00	46.83	212.00

Purposes for the Year Ending April, 1901.

No.	Church and Parsonage Debt.	Total amount of money raised for Local In- terests.	Miscellaneous Purposes.	Total Paid for General Interests.	Total Paid for Local Interests.	Special.	Total Paid for all Purposes.
45		1,619.96	12.50	189.69	1,619.96	12.50	1,822.15
46		714.54	29.00	35.70	714.54	29.00	779.24
47	100.00	900.00		104.00	900.00		1,004.00
48		207.08		7.90	207.08		214.98
49		940.00	16.00	143.00	940.09	16.00	1,099.00
50		2,389.73	434.20	655.71	2,389.73	434.20	3,479.64
51		811.36	1.50	133.05	811.36	1.50	945.91
52	191.54	674.04	5.59	48.25	674.04	5.59	727.88
53		818.50	68.00	103.14	818.50	68.00	989.64
54		543.47	1.80	63.75	543.47	1.80	609.02
55	50.00	1,796.18	101.68	321.50	1,796.18	101.68	2,219.36
56		655.00	90.00	59.00	655.00	90.00	804.00
57		1,085.00	188.00	129.40	1,085.00	188.00	1,402.40
58	235.00	590.00	75.34	84.70	590.00	75.34	749.04
59		2,388.75	1.80	141.70	2,388.75	1.80	2,532.25
60	285.00	1,081.00	11.00	96.86	1,081.00	11.00	1,188.86
61		60.00		14.55	60.00		74.55
62		1,648.52	1,368.68	594.35	1,648.52	1,368.68	3,611.55
63		965.00		31.00	965.00		996.00
64		910.00	1.80	112.00	910.00	1.80	1,023.80
65	208.50	929.61	181.65	136.10	929.61	181.65	1,247.36
66		632.00	24.80	116.00	632.00	24.80	772.80
67	20.30	1,220.54	144.62	433.48	1,220.54	144.62	1,798.64
68	207.33	596.67		9.26	596.67		605.93
69		418.05	8.00	41.46	418.05	8.00	467.51
70		124.32		39.60	124.32		163.92
71		1,095.00	21.80	147.00	1,095.00	21.80	1,263.80
72	60.00	950.00	83.00	274.00	950.00	83.00	1,307.00
73		1,596.00		215.00	1,596.00		1,811.00
74	143.47	687.12		43.89	687.12		631.01
75		975.00	112.00	131.00	975.00	112.00	1,218.00
76	72.00	462.00	1.50	32.00	462.00	1.50	495.50
77		218.22	1.00	36.00	218.22	1.00	255.22
78	15.00	400.00	20.00	35.84	400.00	20.00	455.84
79		623.00		53.68	623.00		676.68
80		122.00		18.50	122.00		140.50
81	235.40	674.96	35.18	124.25	674.96	35.18	834.39
82	105.00	1,426.51	50.25	84.05	1,426.51	50.25	1,560.81
83		4,928.00	150.00	430.35	4,928.00	150.00	5,508.35
84	100.00	1,330.74	235.69	214.09	1,330.74	235.69	1,780.52
85		375.11		24.44	375.11		399.55
86	1,299.16	4,005.47	82.61	285.35	4,005.47	82.61	4,373.43
87		4,699.29	27.00	158.64	4,699.29	27.00	4,884.93
88		618.83	48.50	70.25	618.83	48.50	737.58

Collections for Local Interests and Totals for all

No.	CHARGES.	PASTOR'S SALARY.		Rent of Parsonage	Current Expense.	Sabbath School Expenses.	Build'g and Improve-ments.
		Assessf.	Paid.				
89	Oxford.....	550.00	550.00		142.24	69.96	209.75
90	Parksley.....	500.00	503.00	72.00	100.00	81.00	100.00
91	Patapsco.....	100.00	102.00		12.25	9.47	.....
92	Payson Street.....	468.00	468.00		253.42	63.88	14.10
93	Pipe Creek.....	500.00	500.00		179.74	59.85	17.75
94	Pittsville.....	555.00	527.40		49.00	43.27	50.00
95	Pocomoke.....	440.90	441.00		40.00	35.00	102.57
96	Pocomoke City.....	850.00	850.00		200.00	52.52	.....
97	Potomac.....	450.00	500.00		50.00	25.00	445.12
98	Powellville.....	400.00	400.00		20.00	10.00	5.00
99	Prince George, Va..	85.00	78.00		25.00	30.00	90.00
100	Quantico.....	300.00	300.00			20.00	78.77
101	Queen Anne's.....	400.00	403.00		94.50	57.94	100.00
102	Reliance.....	415.00	415.00		59.00	45.00	116.60
103	Rowlandville.....		207.00		20.00	25.00	.....
104	St. Luke's.....	900.00	900.00		1,083.29	314.28	280.00
105	St. Michael's.....	450.00	475.00		75.00	30.00	.....
106	St. James'.....	600.00	630.00		137.26	51.76	307.34
107	St. John's, Canton..	600.00	453.73		139.00	100.00	53.00
108	Salem.....	400.00	400.00		48.00	25.20	34.00
109	Salisbury.....	750.00	750.00		273.00	150.98	71.00
110	Seaford.....	700.00	700.00		280.49	78.52	.....
111	Snow Hill.....	650.00	650.00	13.50	100.00	50.00	2,000.00
112	South Baltimore.....	700.00	544.70		325.00	80.00	20.00
113	Starr.....	1,200.00	1,200.00		2,098.20	120.73	202.98
114	Stewartstown.....	525.00	525.00		140.00	107.00	140.00
115	Susquehanna.....	600.00	600.00		154.00	92.00	64.05
116	Sussex.....	600.00	584.00	72.00	123.00	32.00	1,176.54
117	Talbot.....	400.00	400.00		75.00	15.00	.....
118	Trinity.....	850.00	850.00		229.51	45.00	42.76
119	Tyreanna.....						
120	Union.....	700.00	680.73		65.00	75.00	80.00
121	Union Bridge.....	500.00	500.00		165.00	110.00	146.00
122	Violetsville.....		195.00		50.00	59.50	.....
123	Waltersville.....	550.00	550.00		150.00	70.00	.....
124	Warwick.....	500.00	520.00		79.50	48.00	140.00
125	Waverly.....	500.00	467.41		121.00	191.24	41.75
126	West Baltimore.....	1,200.00	1,200.00		1,600.00	382.47	.....
127	Westminster.....	1,000.00	1,000.00		309.11	112.72	125.00
128	Wicomico.....	200.00	212.60	45.00			.....
129	Williamsport.....	150.00	179.60		3.69	21.92	18.35
130	Wilmington.....	800.00	800.00		300.00	100.00	25.00
131	W. Wilmington.....	325.00	325.00		197.99	72.55	.....
132	Wye.....	300.00	300.00		82.25	45.52	126.78
133	St. John's Ind.....						.....
		70,796.44	70,998.89	540.00	29,417.60	9,776.80	27,395.68

*Gift of \$1,000 for pipe organ.

Purposes for the Year Ending April, 1901.

No.	Church and Parsonage Debt.	Total amount of money raised for Local Interest.	Miscellaneous Purposes.	Total Paid for General Interests.	Total Paid for Local Interests.	Special.	Total Paid for all Purposes.
	%	\$	%	\$	\$	\$	\$
89		971.95	35.00	159.86	971.95	35.00	1,166.81
90	175.00	1,031.00	14.10	153.89	1,031.00	14.10	1,198.99
91		123.72			123.72		123.72
92	55.00	854.40	18.05	36.85	854.40	18.05	859.30
93		757.34	296.75	737.13	757.34	296.75	1,791.22
94		669.67		91.02	669.67		760.69
95		618.57	33.50	62.41	618.57	33.50	714.48
96		1,102.52	95.67	254.70	1,102.52	95.67	1,452.89
97		1,020.12	30.57	127.75	1,020.12	30.57	1,178.44
98		435.00		96.25	435.00		531.25
99		223.00	5.50	21.00	223.00	5.50	249.50
100		398.77	2.50	54.73	398.77	2.50	456.00
101		655.44	44.47	157.45	655.44	44.47	857.36
102	131.00	766.60	29.04	116.50	766.60	29.04	912.14
103		252.00	1.20	56.00	252.00	1.20	309.20
104	300.00	2,877.57	22.50	74.20	2,877.57	22.50	2,974.27
105		580.10	154.50	128.00	580.10	154.50	862.60
106		1,126.36	175.67	250.06	1,126.36	175.67	1,552.09
107	132.00	877.73	46.75	67.50	877.73	46.75	981.98
108		507.20	42.22	73.25	507.20	42.22	622.67
109		1,244.98	12.00	181.50	1,244.98	12.00	1,438.48
110	145.00	1,204.01	21.40	205.50	1,204.01	21.40	1,430.91
111	125.00	2,938.50	15.46	163.10	2,938.50	15.46	3,117.06
112	52.00	1,021.70	2.00	142.47	1,021.70	2.00	1,166.17
113		3,621.91	129.77	367.94	3,621.91	129.77	4,119.62
114	320.00	1,232.00	17.05	161.50	1,232.00	17.05	1,410.55
115	51.77	961.82	36.50	276.00	961.82	36.50	1,274.32
116	540.00	2,527.54	51.50	146.88	2,527.54	51.50	2,725.92
117	75.00	665.00	53.00	49.00	665.00	53.00	767.00
118	133.89	1,801.16	206.12	283.00	1,801.16	206.12	1,740.28
119							
120		900.73	222.50	227.50	900.73	222.50	1,350.73
121	40.00	961.00	98.00	147.25	961.00	98.00	1,206.25
122		304.50	13.81	38.50	304.50	13.81	356.81
123	1,155.00	1,925.00	1.50	120.80	1,925.00	1.50	2,047.30
124		787.50	128.60	125.50	787.50	128.60	1,041.60
125	20.25	841.65	52.11	30.72	841.65	52.11	924.48
126	350.00	3,532.47	219.20	835.55	3,532.47	219.20	4,587.22
127	285.19	1,832.02	259.80	378.09	1,832.02	259.80	2,469.91
128		257.60	78.84	44.60	257.60	78.84	381.04
129		223.56		43.67	223.56		267.23
130	125.00	1,350.00	83.50	107.02	1,350.00	83.50	1,540.52
131		595.44		61.50	595.44		656.94
132	70.00	624.55	35.00	110.50	624.55	35.00	770.05
133				433.00			433.00
	14,687.37	153,232.30	10,661.84	20,943.25	153,232.30	10,661.84	184,837.39

Assessments for the Year Beginning April, 1901.

CHARGES.	President's Salary.	Conference.	Seminary.	Ministerial Education.	Superannuates.	Foreign Missions.	General Home Missions.	Church Extension.	Total.
	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$
Accomac.....	20 00	3 50	16 00	5 00	34 00	24 00	17 00	35 00	154 50
Amelia.....	15 00	2 75	12 00	4 00	25 00	18 00	12 50	26 00	115 25
Alexandria.....	25 00	4 50	20 00	6 00	42 00	30 00	21 00	44 00	192 50
Alnutt Memorial.....	52 00	9 00	41 50	13 00	88 50	62 50	44 25	91 00	401 75
Baltimore.....	18 00	3 50	14 00	5 00	30 00	22 00	15 00	32 00	139 50
Beaver Dam.....	8 00	2 25	6 00	2 00	14 00	10 00	7 00	14 00	63 25
Bedford.....	25 00	4 50	20 00	6 00	42 00	30 00	21 00	44 00	192 50
Belair.....	25 00	4 50	20 00	6 00	42 00	30 00	21 00	44 00	192 50
Broadway.....	20 00	3 50	16 00	5 00	34 00	24 00	17 00	35 00	154 50
Bethany.....	8 00	2 25	6 00	2 00	14 00	10 00	7 00	14 00	63 25
Brooklyn.....	15 00	2 75	12 00	4 00	25 00	18 00	12 50	26 00	115 25
Cambridge.....	25 00	4 50	20 00	6 00	42 00	30 00	21 00	44 00	192 50
Caroline.....	20 00	3 50	16 00	5 00	34 00	24 00	17 00	35 00	154 50
Campbell.....	10 00	2 25	8 00	3 00	17 00	12 00	8 50	18 00	78 75
Cecil.....	15 00	2 75	12 00	4 00	25 00	18 00	12 50	26 00	115 25
Central.....	25 00	4 50	20 00	6 00	42 00	30 00	21 00	44 00	192 50
Centreville.....	20 00	3 50	16 00	5 00	34 00	24 00	17 00	35 00	154 50
Chesapeake.....	18 00	3 50	14 00	5 00	30 00	22 00	15 00	32 00	139 50
Chestertown.....	45 00	8 00	36 00	11 50	76 50	51 00	38 25	79 00	348 25
Christ Church.....	5 00	1 25	4 00	2 00	8 00	6 00	4 00	9 00	39 25
Clayton.....	20 00	3 50	16 00	5 00	34 00	24 00	17 00	35 00	154 50
Concord.....	20 00	3 50	16 00	5 00	34 00	24 00	17 00	35 00	154 50
Conquest.....	18 00	3 50	14 00	5 00	30 00	22 00	15 00	32 00	139 50
Crisfield.....	35 00	6 00	28 00	9 00	59 00	42 00	29 50	61 00	269 50

Crumpton.....	12 00	2 25	10 00	2 00	21 00	14 00	10 50	21 00	92 75
Cumberland.....	18 00	3 50	14 00	5 00	30 00	22 00	15 00	32 00	139 50
Chincoteague.....	15 00	2 75	12 00	4 00	25 00	12 00	12 50	26 00	115 25
Clinton Avenue.....	10 00	2 25	8 00	3 00	17 00	12 00	8 50	18 00	78 75
Delmar.....	20 00	3 50	16 00	5 00	34 00	24 00	17 00	35 00	154 50
Deer Creek.....	12 00	2 25	10 00	2 00	22 00	14 00	10 50	21 00	92 75
Deer Park.....	15 00	2 75	12 00	4 00	25 00	18 00	12 50	26 00	115 25
Delta.....	15 00	2 75	12 00	4 00	25 00	18 00	12 50	26 00	115 25
Dorchester.....	20 00	3 50	16 00	5 00	34 00	24 00	17 00	35 00	154 50
Dover.....	10 00	2 25	8 00	3 00	17 00	12 00	8 50	18 00	78 75
Denton.....	10 00	2 25	8 00	3 00	17 00	12 00	8 50	18 00	78 75
East Baltimore.....	35 00	6 00	28 00	9 00	59 00	42 00	29 50	61 00	269 50
Easton.....	35 00	6 00	28 00	9 00	59 00	42 00	29 50	61 00	269 50
Elizabeth.....	35 00	6 00	28 00	9 00	59 00	42 00	29 50	61 00	269 50
Eutaw.....	18 00	3 50	14 00	5 00	30 00	22 00	15 00	32 00	139 50
Evergreen.....	5 00	1 25	4 00	2 00	8 00	6 00	4 00	9 00	39 25
Fairfax.....	8 00	2 25	6 00	2 00	14 00	10 00	7 00	14 00	63 25
Fawn Grove.....	20 00	3 50	16 00	5 00	34 00	24 00	17 00	35 00	154 50
Finksburg.....	20 00	3 50	16 00	5 00	34 00	24 00	17 00	35 00	154 50
First Church.....	25 00	4 50	20 00	6 00	42 00	30 00	21 00	44 00	192 50
Franklin City.....	20 00	3 50	16 00	5 00	34 00	24 00	17 00	35 00	154 50
Frederick.....	18 00	3 50	14 00	5 00	30 00	22 00	15 00	32 00	139 50
Felton.....	18 00	3 50	14 00	5 00	30 00	22 00	15 00	32 00	139 50
Frederica.....	12 00	2 25	10 00	2 00	21 00	14 00	10 50	21 00	92 75
Fox Hill.....	5 00	1 25	4 00	2 00	8 00	6 00	4 00	9 00	39 25
Georgetown, D. C.....	50 00	9 00	40 00	13 00	86 00	60 00	43 00	88 00	389 00
Georgetown, Del.....	15 00	2 75	12 00	4 00	25 00	18 00	12 50	26 00	115 25
Grove.....	18 00	3 50	14 00	5 00	30 00	22 00	15 00	32 00	139 50
Greenwood.....	18 00	3 50	14 00	5 00	30 00	22 00	15 00	32 00	139 50
Georgetown Circuit.....	10 00	2 25	8 00	3 00	17 00	12 00	8 50	18 00	78 75
Hampden.....	30 00	3 50	24 00	8 00	51 00	36 00	25 50	53 00	233 00
Harper's Ferry.....	18 00	3 50	14 00	5 00	30 00	22 00	15 00	32 00	139 50
Harrington.....	20 00	3 50	16 00	5 00	34 00	24 00	17 00	35 00	154 50
Heathsville.....	25 00	4 50	20 00	6 00	42 00	30 00	21 00	44 00	192 50
Howard.....	18 00	3 50	14 00	5 00	30 00	22 00	15 00	32 00	139 50
Hurlock's.....	10 00	2 25	8 00	3 00	17 00	12 00	8 50	18 00	78 75

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REPORTS TO THE

CHARGES.	REPORTS TO THE										Total.
	President's Salary.	Conference.	Seminary.	Ministerial Education.	Superannuates.	Foreign Missions.	General Home Missions.	Church Extension.			
Jefferson.....	\$45 00	\$8 00	\$36 00	\$11 50	\$76 50	\$54 00	\$38 25	\$79 00		\$348 25	
Kennedyville.....	15 00	2 75	12 00	4 00	25 00	18 00	12 50	26 00		115 25	
Kemptown.....	23 00	4 00	18 00	5 75	40 00	28 00	20 00	42 00		180 75	
Kent Island.....	18 00	3 50	14 00	5 00	30 00	22 00	15 00	32 00		139 50	
Laurel.....	32 00	5 75	24 00	8 00	53 00	40 00	26 50	55 00		244 25	
Leipsic.....	8 00	2 25	6 00	2 00	14 00	10 00	7 00	14 00		63 25	
Lewistown.....	5 00	1 25	4 00	2 00	8 00	6 00	4 00	9 00		39 25	
Liberty.....	18 00	3 50	14 00	5 00	30 00	22 00	15 00	32 00		139 50	
Lisbon.....	20 00	3 50	16 00	5 00	34 00	24 00	17 00	35 00		154 50	
Lynchburg.....	20 00	3 50	16 00	5 00	34 00	24 00	17 00	35 00		154 50	
Lawsonia.....	5 00	1 25	4 00	2 00	8 00	6 00	4 00	9 00		39 55	
Leeds.....	15 00	2 75	12 00	4 00	25 00	18 00	12 50	26 00		115 25	
Mariners.....	18 00	3 50	14 00	5 00	30 00	22 00	15 00	32 00		139 50	
Mardela.....	10 00	2 25	8 00	3 00	17 00	12 00	8 50	18 00		78 75	
Marley.....	10 00	2 25	8 00	3 00	17 00	12 00	8 50	18 00		78 75	
Middleway.....	10 00	2 25	8 00	3 00	17 00	12 00	8 50	18 00		78 75	
Milton.....	10 00	2 25	8 00	3 00	17 00	12 00	8 50	18 00		78 75	
Millville.....	8 00	2 25	6 00	2 00	14 00	10 00	7 00	14 00		63 25	
Mt. Tabor.....	18 00	3 50	14 00	5 00	30 00	22 00	15 00	32 00		139 50	
Mt. Nebo.....	12 00	2 25	10 00	2 00	21 00	14 00	10 50	21 00		92 75	
Montgomery.....	5 00	1 25	4 00	2 00	8 00	6 00	4 00	9 00		39 25	
Newark.....	50 00	9 00	40 00	13 00	86 00	60 00	43 00	88 00		380 00	
N. C. Ave.....	18 00	3 50	14 00	5 00	30 00	22 00	15 00	32 00		139 50	
New Market.....	25 00	4 50	20 00	6 00	42 00	30 00	21 00	44 00		192 50	

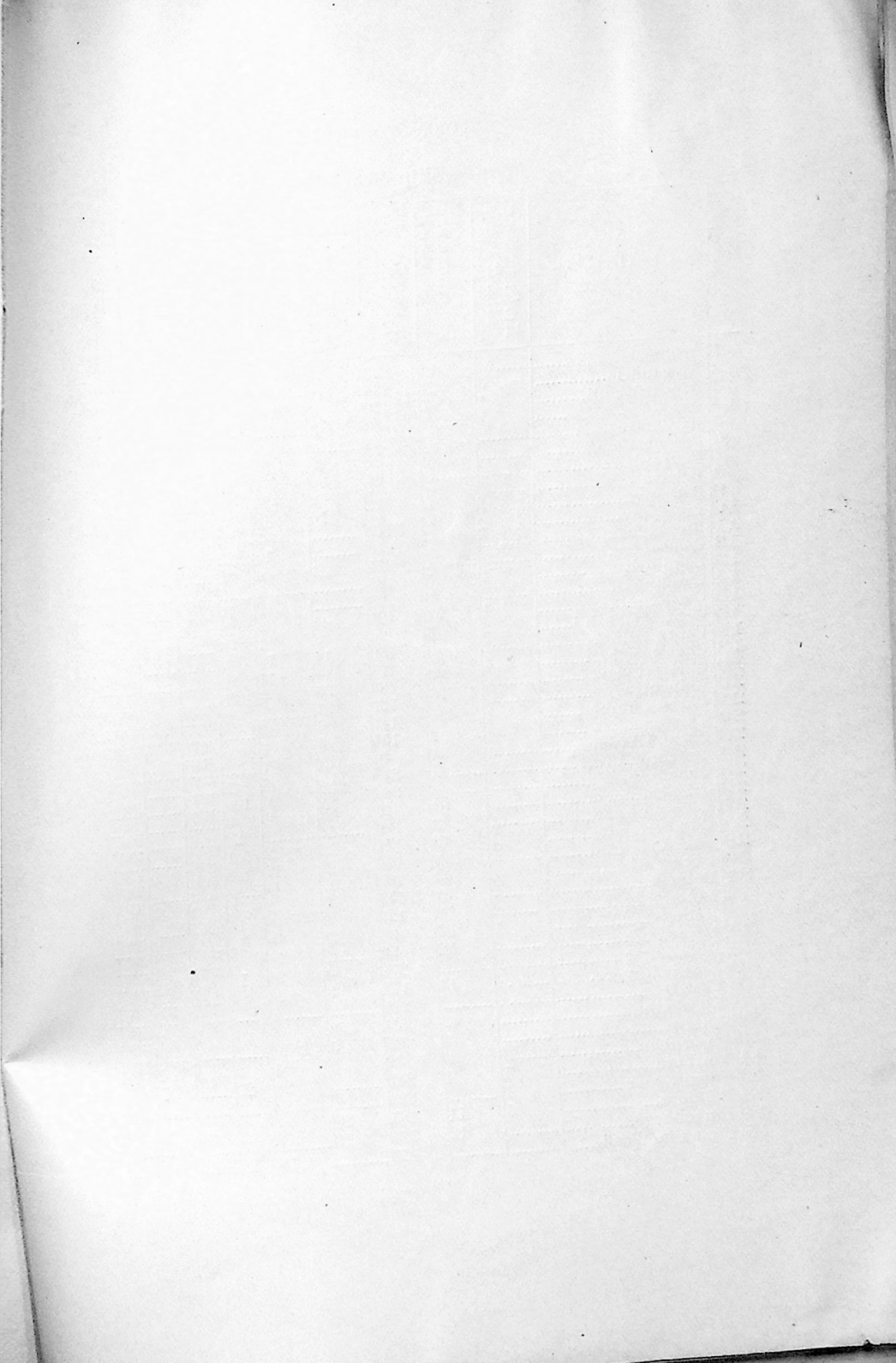
Assessments for the Year Beginning April, 1901.

CHARGES.	REPORTS TO THE							Total.	
	President's Salary.	Conference.	Seminary.	Ministerial Education.	Superannuates.	Foreign Missions.	General Home Missions.		Church Extension.
Union Bridge.....	\$15 00	\$2 75	\$12 00	\$ 4 00	\$25 00	\$18 00	\$12 50	\$26 00	\$115 25
Violetsville.....	5 00	1 25	4 00	2 00	8 00	6 00	4 00	9 00	39 25
Warwick.....	15 00	2 75	12 00	4 00	25 00	18 00	12 50	26 00	115 25
Waltersville.....	15 00	2 75	12 00	4 00	25 00	18 00	12 50	26 00	115 25
Waverly.....	8 00	2 25	6 00	2 00	14 00	10 00	7 00	14 00	63 25
West Baltimore.....	50 00	9 00	40 00	13 00	86 00	60 00	43 00	88 00	389 00
Westminster.....	45 00	8 00	36 00	11 50	76 00	54 00	38 25	79 00	348 25
Williamsport.....	8 00	2 25	6 00	2 00	14 00	10 00	7 00	14 00	63 25
Wilmington.....	15 00	2 75	12 00	4 00	25 00	18 00	12 50	26 00	115 25
West Wilmington.....	8 00	2 25	6 00	2 00	14 00	10 00	7 00	14 00	63 25
Wye.....	10 00	2 25	8 00	3 00	17 00	12 00	8 50	18 00	78 75
Total.....	\$2,394 00	\$450 25	\$1,906 50	\$617 75	\$4,750 00	\$2,881 50	\$2,025 00	\$4,231 00	\$18,538 00

Assessment for expenses of delegates to the Ecumenical Conference one-fifth of the President's salary; to be forwarded F. M. Warner, No. 1503 Edmondson avenue, Baltimore, Md., not later than July 1.

Assessment for expenses on President's parsonage, one-tenth of President's salary; to be forwarded to him during the month of May.

F. M. WARNER,
Secretary of the Board of Finance.



Membership Statistics

No.	CHARGES.	No. Unstationed Min. & Pres's.	Probationers.	Members.	PROBATIONERS.					
					No. on Roll at last Con- ference.	Rec'd dur- ing the year.	Ejected to Membersh hip	Withdr'n by Certif'c'e	Discontin'd	Deceased.
1	Accomac		13	205	11	5	3			
2	Alexandria.....	3	24	236	19	9	4			
3	Alnutt Mem'l.....	1	7	473	7	13	1			
4	Amelia	1		180	1					
5	Baltimore			233		1	1			
6	Beaver Dam.....		45	161	20	35	7		3	
7	Bedford			306	80	7	67		20	
8	Belair		7	261	2	22	17			
9	Bethany.....		9	77	16	6	8		5	
10	Broadway.....	2		177		3	3			
11	Brooklyn		15	76		15				
12	Cambridge.....			214	4	4	8			
13	Campbell.....	1	5	195						
14	Caroline.....		6	225		19	10			
15	Cecil	1	57	421	64	39	28	2		
16	Central (Wash.).....	2	3	96	6	1	3		1	
17	Centreville		16	130	14	16	7			
18	Chesapeake	1	22	118	11	17	10			
19	Chestertown.....			288	35	4	35		4	
20	Chincoteague.....		26	127	37		3		8	
21	Christ Church.....	1	7	147	4					
22	Clayton	1	3	151	4	7	5		3	
23	Clinton Avenue.....		7	40		7				
24	Concord			259		23	22			1
25	Conquest.....			282	80	20	100			
26	Crisfield.....		81	270	82	5	6			
27	Crumpton		3	190			22			
28	Cumberland.....	1	13	144	12	2	1			
29	Deer Creek.....		7	192	12	12	8		9	
30	Deer Park.....	1	44	196		44				
31	Delmar.....		1	157	3	2	1	1	45	1
32	Delta		2	123	2	15	15			
33	Denton.....	1	27	96	21	18	12			
34	Dover		12	90		14	2			
35	Dorchester			278	4	21	19	2	4	
36	East Baltimore.....		13	172	3	14	4			
37	Easton			211						
38	Elizabeth.....		42	224	50	3	1	1	9	
39	Eutaw.....		3	82	5	6				
40	Evergreen.....		3	42	6	4	2		1	1
41	Fairfax.....	1	4	241		28	27		1	
42	Fawn Grove.....	1		323						
43	Felton.....	1	11	185	28	8	8		8	1
44	Finksburg.....		12	369	17		5			
45	First Ch., Wash.....			165		18	18			

Year Ending April, 1901.

No.	FULL MEMBERS.					BAPTISMS		SABBATH SCHOOLS.				Number of Conversions.
	No. on Roll last Conference.	Rec'd Dur'g the Year.	Withdr'n by Certificate.	Discontin'd	Deceased.	Adults.	Children.	No. Schools.	Officers and Teachers.	New Scholars Rec'd.	Scholars now on Roll	
1	197	7	2	6	1	.....	3	3	28	25	200	9
2	228	12	.....	.....	4	.....	6	1	33	84	373	19
3	472	7	6	.....	9	.....	.....	1	37	35	328	15
4	174	11	.....	4	1	.....	.....	3	29	15	150	8
5	212	23	.....	.....	2	.....	24	2	20	.....	164	18
6	151	11	.....	.....	1	1	9	3	18	15	182	56
7	239	67	.....	.....	.....	.....	21	6	40	10	350	10
8	242	21	.....	.....	2	3	6	4	36	10	225	25
9	67	19	6	.....	3	.....	31	1	20	62	247	4
10	173	10	2	.....	2	.....	14	1	2	24	229	4
11	77	3	2	.....	2	.....	7	2	25	39	121	26
12	269	9	1	53	4	.....	12	3	34	.....	268	4
13	233	1	2	36	1	4	.....	2	15	10	90	10
14	193	22	7	.....	2	.....	11	4	36	35	220	18
15	405	30	4	1	4	.....	47	7	75	80	380	52
16	114	3	3	15	3	.....	3	1	22	21	60	2
17	130	11	.....	1	1	1	11	1	17	16	104	16
18	119	10	4	.....	5	.....	19	1	18	.....	160	20
19	233	55	.....	.....	1	.....	6	1	40	10	304	8
20	125	7	.....	2	3	2	10	1	19	10	119	5
21	151	5	9	.....	1	.....	.....	1	23	42	255	9
22	145	7	.....	.....	1	5	16	2	16	10	75	14
23	44	7	1	9	1	.....	2	1	14	70	130	7
24	246	23	.....	6	4	3	32	4	49	27	240	45
25	190	100	.....	4	4	.....	7	4	60	.....	350	50
26	259	17	4	.....	2	2	15	1	40	30	323	25
27	161	30	.....	.....	1	.....	30	2	27	5	140	108
28	141	5	.....	1	1	1	18	1	22	16	129	3
29	187	11	.....	3	3	.....	9	2	22	27	124	12
30	200	.....	4	.....	.....	4	34	4	45	40	393	44
31	194	1	1	45	1	.....	5	2	25	.....	175	2
32	109	22	8	.....	.....	1	4	1	16	12	75	19
33	66	30	.....	.....	.....	.....	11	1	16	31	154	34
34	86	8	1	.....	3	.....	5	1	14	4	90	14
35	274	19	8	3	4	1	15	4	55	10	250	44
36	235	11	5	65	4	1	8	1	24	68	241	8
37	197	21	.....	4	3	.....	4	1	24	30	175	29
38	218	6	4	4	.....	2	21	1	46	46	467	3
39	80	6	1	.....	.....	2	2	1	8	20	99	1
40	46	6	.....	6	1	.....	1	1	12	10	100	2
41	218	34	.....	1	3	13	1	4	33	.....	217	23
42	333	62	3	.....	4	17	7	3	36	30	440	74
43	186	9	3	2	4	1	17	4	31	60	230	.....
44	366	9	6	.....	.....	.....	6	4	62	.....	450	.....
45	153	24	4	4	4	.....	40	1	20	35	236	20

Membership Statistics

No.	CHARGES.	No. Unstationed Min & Prea's,	Probationers.	Members.	PROBATIONERS.					
					No. on Roll at last Con- ference.	Rec'd dur- ing the year.	Elected to M'mbership	Withdr'n by Certificate	Discontin'd	Deceased.
46	Fox Hill.....			77			5			
47	Franklin City.....	1	29	295	25	12	5		3	
48	Frederica.....	10	71	30			5		15	
49	Frederick.....	2	147	5		2			5	
50	Georget'n D. C.....	7	258	16		9	22			
51	Georget'n, Del.....	1	60	145	55	10	5			
52	Georgetown Ct.....	1	39	152	41	2	1			2
53	Greenwood.....			239	89	5	57		15	
54	Grove.....	1	19	210	19	19		1	19	
55	Hampden.....	3	5	460	8	21	24			
56	Harper's Ferry.....			105		7	7			
57	Harrington.....	46	245	39		8				1
58	Heathville.....	24	205	47		4	22		6	
59	Howard.....	3	193	7					4	
60	Hurlocks.....	18	168	30	39	20	21		10	
61	Indian River.....	12	38	12						
62	Jefferson.....			119						
63	Keen Memorial.....	1	80	75					75	
64	Kempton.....	2	430			30	30			
65	Kennedyville.....	3	129	1	12	9			1	
66	Kent Island.....	1	143	1					1	
67	Laurel.....	35	237	45		2	2		10	
68	Lawsonia.....		68			12	12			
69	Leipsic.....	1	54			1				
70	Lewistown.....	1	108	12			10		1	
71	Liberty.....	2	224	8		2	6		1	
72	Lisbon.....	1	371			37	36		1	
73	Lynchburg.....		126			2	2			
74	Mardela.....	1	25	163	12	22	9			
75	Mariner's.....	6	260	8	6	7			8	
76	Marley.....	27	104	25		2				
77	Middleway.....		100							
78	Millville.....	2	22	59	5	3			3	
79	Milton.....		111	3					3	
80	Montgomery.....		50			5	5			
81	Mt. Nebo.....	22	137	6	95	64	3		24	
82	Mt. Tabor.....	1	10	75		10				
83	Newark.....	3	7	281	4	13	10			
84	New Market.....		379	43	8	47			4	
85	Nichols' Mem.....	1	69	5		5				
86	N. Baltimore.....	2	4	160	4					
87	N. C. Avenue.....	1	110							
88	Oak Grove.....	1	2	147	2	6	4		2	
89	Oxford.....	16	118	11		5				
90	Parksley.....	13	164	18		2	7			

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	No. on Roll at last Conference.	Rec'd Dur'g the Year.	Withdr'n by Certificate.	Discontin'd	Deceased.	Adults.	Children.	No. Schools.	Officers and Teachers.	New Scholars received.		Scholars Now on Roll
46	72	5					9	1	17	10	134	5
47	290	8			3	1	12	4	62	20	375	12
48	69	7	4		1			1	11	10	40	2
49	156		2	5	2		20	4	54	26	300	3
50	152	36	5	14	2	2	24	1	22		206	9
51	147	6	6		2		12	1	23	25	122	13
52	153	4	4		1		5	3	35	15	180	9
53	145	96	1		2	3	8	3	37	98	239	72
54	215		3		2		7	4	45	13	162	26
55	440	36	3	10	3	8	20	1	45	49	418	35
56	120	7	4	17	1		11	2	22	15	160	8
57	238	13	2	2	2	9	18	2	35	38	309	22
58	197	22		12	2			2	23		135	10
59	195	3	2		3		8	3 1/2	39		202	
60	155	24	4	5	2		11	4	48	25	250	72
61	38											
62	110	9					11	2	29	3	173	4
63	144	5				1	4	1	16		150	3
64	418	32		18	2	1	28	4	64		475	33
65	118	14	1	2		2	13	1	13	12	70	14
66	141	2					6	2	16		168	
67	257	5	5	14	4		12	1	23	10	270	5
68	57	12			1			1	12	10	130	16
69	54	2			2		7	1	9	4	90	4
70	121	10		22			1	2	20	11	149	
71	212	9			4			4	56	26	277	
72	344	37	5	5			20	4	50		350	40
73	125	6	2		3		6	1	17	16	100	2
74	155	10	1		1	4	5	3	36	14	163	23
75	270	8	5	11	2	1	31	1	32	35	260	23
76	105		1			1	24	2	12	8	60	6
77	100	2	2			2	6	1	6		30	2
78	57	5		3			9	2	15		75	20
79	152			38	3		3	1	12		125	
80	45	5						2	10	8	118	9
81	115	55	3			40	35	2	11		125	120
82	82		5		1		3	1	20	9	84	10
83	275	24	6	5	7		3	1	27	38	203	32
84	339	47	2		5		1	4	55		353	15
85	65	7			3			2	12		75	
86	146	18	4		2		7	1	16	5	94	1
87	85	27		2		1	7	1	16	33	142	27
88	147	7	3		4	2	3	1	16	7	67	9
89	125		2	4	1		10	1	31		111	5
90	156	10	1		1		11	2	29	31	216	2

Membership Statistics

No.	CHARGES.	No. Unstationed Min. & Prea's	Probationers.	Members.	PROBATIONERS.					
					No. on Roll at last Con- ference.	Rec'd dur- ing the year.	Elected to M'bership	Withdrawn by Certificate	Discontin'd	Deceased.
91	Patapsco		2	29	4	3	5			
92	Payson Street.....		19	61	3	16	2			
93	Pipe Creek.....			209						
94	Pittsville.....		18	334	66	7	26		20	
95	Pocomoke Cir.....	1	1	183		5	4			
96	Pocomoke City.....	1		196						
97	Potomac.....		4	123		4				
98	Powellville.....	2	1	112	3	3	3			
99	Prince George.....	1	3	82	5	8	6		4	
100	Quantico.....		12	150	1	23	12			
101	Queen Anne.....	1	7	139		7				
102	Reliance.....	1	23	203	13	31	8		13	
103	Rowlandville.....			60						
104	Salisbury.....		40	253	95	8	46	1	2	
105	Salem.....			113						
106	Seaford.....			249	53	4	49		6	
107	Snow Hill.....	1	12	251	5	14	3		4	
108	South Baltimore.....	2	1	113	4	3	2		1	
109	Starr.....	1	1	223		6	5			
110	Stewartstown.....	1	26	243	24	5			2	1
111	St. James'.....		16	214	17	14	15			
112	St. John's, Can.	1	57	89	75	5	7	1	14	1
113	St. Luke's.....	2		112		1	1	2		1
114	St. Michael's.....	1	1	121	6	3	3		2	
115	Susquehanna.....	1		232	7	11	18			
116	Sussex.....	1	5	340	8	12	6		9	
117	Talbot.....			67	1					
118	Trinity.....	1	37	212	29	4	8		4	
119	Union.....	1	24	272	45	2	9		14	
120	Union Bridge.....		2	121		15	13			
121	Violetsville.....		2	41						
122	Waltersville.....		55	161	37	45	10		5	
123	Warwick.....		6	127		38	32			
124	Waverly.....	1	20	75	2	21	1			
125	West Baltimore.....	3	56	456	57	19	4		16	
126	Westminster.....	3		226	1	10	11			
127	Wilmington.....	4	5	227	12	80	75		6	
128	W. Wilmington.....		40	65	18	24	4			
129	Wicomico.....		1	83	2	1	1			
130	Williamsport.....		7	104	5	2				
131	Wye.....			98	1	2	3			
	Totals.....	76	1,526	23,094	1,968	1,366	1,331	35	458	10
	Report of 1900.....	83	1,969	22,691	1,343	2,439	1,358	46	298	19
	Increase.....			403	625				160	
	Decrease.....	7	443			1,073	27	11		9

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91	25	5	1				14	1	6		20	1
92	57	5			4	1	4	1	17	58	130	24
93	230	22	1			8	14	2	37	33	195	31
94	306	29			1		22	3	29	17	215	10
95	186	9	2	2	3		11	3	33	8	160	9
96	238		4	33	5		3	1	25	5	155	
97	120	10	4		3		8	2	22	10	127	8
98	110	3	1				11	1	5		130	4
99	74	8					3	2	14	40	80	8
100	142	12	1		2	6	1	3	18		95	27
101	146	3	6	2	2		16	2	30	12	135	9
102	200	10	5		2		23	3	36	5	235	50
103	75		2	13			13	3	20		100	
104	216	53	4	2	1		8	1	26	92	192	
105	114	2	2		1		3	1	15	8	61	1
106	201	52			4	1	12	1	21	40	202	
107	204	55	1	3	4	1	14	2	25	10	125	25
108	124	3	9		3	2	16	1	22	20	136	2
109	237	9	17		6	7	22	1	28	50	300	6
110	245	5	2	1	4	1		2	33	24	231	14
111	196	21	2		1		9	2	29	20	176	21
112	82	14	2	3			20	1	17	15	231	6
113	114	1	2		1	3	20	1	30	52	245	3
114	123	7	1	7	1		12	2	20		100	4
115	218	21	3		4	1	10	3	29	27	163	12
116	347	8	2	10	3	10	30	4	67	5	320	25
117	48	21	1		1		3	2	14	10	100	19
118	211	13	5	4	3	3	9	2	27		204	15
119	269	14	5	6			12	4	40	35	260	7
120	115	11	4	1	3	2	13	2	25	10	150	15
121	41						3	1	15	13	73	
122	193	12		34	10	1	22	2	36		303	43
123	90	37	1				12	3	23	25	150	56
124	90	4	3	15	1	1	12	1	20	25	170	23
125	435	33	6	3	3		10	1	44	126	533	22
126	222	28	8		5		3	1	25	16	175	11
127	168	80	2	7	2	6	27	1	15	50	150	140
128	57	7	1				6	1	23	48	218	32
129	90	1		7	1		1	1	9		56	1
130	106	2	2		2		2	2	22	38	121	5
131	109	6	6	10	1		6	2	24		130	3
.....	2,047	315	627	268	196	1,454	263 1/2	3,519	2,595	24,564	2,333	
.....	2,203	360	841	259	391	1,524	258 1/2	3,447	3,393	24,868	3,925	
.....				9			5	72				
.....	156	45	214		195	70			798	304	1,592	

Property Statistics for the Year Ending April, 1901.

CHARGES.	No. of Ap- pointments.	Churches.	Parsonages.	Church Pa- pers Taken.	Value Church Property.	Value of Parsonage Property.	Amount of Insurance on Church and Prop- erty.	Amount of Debt.
Accomac.....	3	3	I	18	\$ 6,000 00	\$ 600 00	\$ 600 00	\$2,000 00
Alexandria.....	1	1	I	17	12,000 00	1,700 00	6,200 00	2,400 00
Alnut Memorial.....	1	1	I	40	48,000 00	6,000 00	14,800 00	.....
Amelia.....	3	3	O	13	1,500 00	.....	.....	.....
Baltimore.....	3	3	I	11	8,000 00	2,000 00	4,200 00	137 00
Beaver Dam.....	3	3	I	2	3,200 00	800 00	500 00	.....
Bedford.....	6	6	I	22	8,000 00	1,000 00	.....	.....
Belair.....	4	4	I	20	17,000 00	5,000 00	9,750 00	1,300 00
Bethany.....	1	1	O	5	3,000 00	.....	3,000 00	.....
Broadway.....	1	1	I	12	40,000 00	3,000 00	8,500 00	7,000 00
Brooklyn.....	1	1	I	16	10,000 00	2,000 00	4,750 00	325 00
Cambridge.....	3	3	I	20	6,000 00	2,000 00	4,500 00	1,000 00
Campbell.....	6	6	O	6	3,750 00	.....	.....	.....
Caroline.....	4	4	I	14	6,000 00	1,200 00	3,000 00	.....
Cecil.....	7	5	2	40	15,000 00	3,000 00	16,000 00	.....
Central.....	1	1	I	25	35,000 00	2,000 00	9,000 00	.....
Centreville.....	2	2	I	19	13,500 00	2,500 00	6,500 00	500 00
Chesapeake.....	2	2	I	20	5,000 00	2,000 00	3,885 00	.....
Chestertown.....	1	1	I	36	40,000 00	5,000 00	16,600 00	.....
Chincoteague.....	1	1	I	3	2,800 00	1,000 00	1,500 00	200 00
Christ Church.....	1	1	O	10	2,900 00	.....	2,500 00	1,060 00
Clayton.....	3	3	I	16	5,000 00	1,600 00	5,200 00	200 00
Clinton avenue.....	1	0	0	2	.....	.....	.....	.....
Concord.....	3	3	I	26	4,700 00	900 00	2,600 00	.....
Conquest.....	4	4	I	22	8,600 00	2,000 00	3,800 00	500 00

Crisfield.....	1	1	18	28,000 00	2,000 00	5,500 00	3,500 00
Crumpton.....	3	3	5	3,800 00	600 00	2,212 50	100 00
Cumberland.....	1	1	14	12,000 00	200 00	4,000 00	4,000 00
Deer Creek.....	2	2	11	5,700 00	1,500 00	3,900 00	.....
Deer Park.....	4	4	8	6,600 00	1,500 00	.....	.....
Delmar.....	2	2	15	5,000 00	1,600 00	.....	.....
Delta.....	1	1	9	4,500 00	2,500 00	2,900 00	700 00
Denton.....	2	2	10	6,100 00	.....	4,250 00	200 00
Dover.....	1	1	4	6,000 00	.....	2,175 00	1,200 00
Dorchester.....	4	4	28	6,000 00	1,000 00	7,000 00	.....
East Baltimore.....	1	1	29	22,000 00	1,000 00	6,000 00	500 00
Easton.....	1	1	35	15,000 00	2,000 00	9,000 00	.....
Elizabeth.....	1	1	17	16,300 00	.....	12,750 00	4,000 00
Eutaw.....	1	1	15	2,000 00	2,000 00	3,500 00	.....
Evergreen.....	1	1	2	1,650 00	.....	1,400 00	88 07
Fairfax.....	5	4	15	5,000 00	.....	4,000 00	.....
Fawn Grove.....	3	3	13	6,000 00	800 00	1,700 00	.....
Felton.....	4	4	11	3,800 00	200 00	.....	.....
Finksburg.....	4	4	40	18,000 00	2,000 00	9,000 00	1,600 00
First Church, Washington.....	4	4	8	23,000 00	5,000 00	11,000 00	7,500 00
Fox Hill.....	1	1	14	1,500 00	.....	500 00	500 00
Franklin City.....	4	4	12	8,000 00	1,000 00	2,450 00	100 00
Frederica.....	1	1	.....	2,300 00	.....	1,000 00	.....
Frederick.....	4	4	14	5,700 00	1,500 00	1,000 00	.....
Georgetown, D. C.....	1	1	47	18,000 00	5,000 00	10,000 00	.....
Georgetown, Del.....	1	1	7	3,100 00	200 00	1,500 00	.....
Georgetown Circuit.....	3	3	4	2,850 00	.....	2,200 00	140 00
Greenwood.....	3	3	11	5,000 00	1,500 00	4,500 00	391 50
Grove.....	4	4	16	16,000 00	1,500 00	600 00	.....
Hampden.....	1	1	.....	6,000 00	500 00	600 00	200 00
Harper's Ferry.....	2	2	4	4,400 00	1,600 00	4,200 00	.....
Harrington.....	2	2	26	3,500 00	1,500 00	500 00	.....
Heathsville.....	3	3	16	7,000 00	2,000 00	7,250 00	.....
Howard.....	4	3 1/2	14	4,400 00	1,200 00	3,600 00
Hurlock.....	4	4	10	600 00	1,500 00
Indian River.....	1	1

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CHARGES.	No. of Ap- pointments.	Churches.	Parsonages.	Church Pa- pers Taken.	Value church property.	Value of par- sonage prop- erty.	Amount of insurance on church and person- age property.	Amount of debt.
Jefferson.....	2	1	1	18	\$21,000 00	\$4,000 00	\$14,500 00	.....
Keen Memorial.....	1	1	.....	1	8,000 00	.....	3,000 00	\$4,240 30
Kemptown.....	4	4	1	19	5,500 00	800 00	4,700 00	.....
Kennedyville.....	1	1	1	20	3,500 00	1,500 00	2,700 00	.....
Kent Island.....	2	2	1	24	1,800 00	1,000 00	700 00	.....
Laurel.....	1	1	1	18	5,000 00	2,000 00	6,000 00	.....
Lawsonia.....	1	1	.....	1	3,000 00	.....	2,000 00	1,000 00
Leipsic.....	1	1	.....	2	3,000 00	.....	1,500 00	.....
Lewistown.....	3	3	.....	1	2,500 00	.....	935 00	.....
Liberty.....	4	4	1	30	10,550 00	1,550 00	5,850 00	.....
Lisbon.....	5	5	1	32	9,000 00	1,500 00	7,200 00	.....
Lynchburg.....	1	1	.....	9	20,000 00	.....	4,000 00	3,000 00
Mardela.....	4	4	1	6	5,500 00	725 00	2,200 00	607 00
Mariners.....	1	1	1	7	6,000 00	1,500 00	4,000 00	.....
Marley.....	4	4	1	5	5,000 00	1,000 00	1,300 00	365 00
Middleway.....	4	3	1	4	1,500 00	550 00	1,200 00	150 00
Millville.....	2	2	.....	2	2,000 00	.....	1,600 00	275 00
Milton.....	1	1	1	5	1,500 00	1,000 00	800 00	100 00
Montgomery.....	2	2	.....	.....	1,853 00	.....	1,853 00	.....
Mount Nebo.....	2	2	1	2	4,600 00	1,800 00	4,000 00	800 00
Mount Tabor.....	1	1	.....	5	8,000 00	.....	3,500 00	100 04
Newark.....	1	1	1	30	35,000 00	7,000 00	15,000 00	.....
New Market.....	4	4	1	26	13,500 00	2,300 00	7,900 00	600 00
Nichols Memorial.....	2	2	.....	3	3,000 00	.....	1,500 00	.....
North Baltimore.....	1	1	.....	27	13,000 00	.....	9,000 00	.....

North Carolina Avenue.....	I	I	22	35,000 00	.....	15,000 00	12,000 00
Oak Grove.....	I	I	15	1,500 00	700 00	.....	.....
Oxford.....	I	I	12	3,200 00	3,000 00	3,300 00	.....
Parkley.....	2	2	0	5,000 00	.....	1,800 00	250 00
Patasco.....	1	I	0	1,000 00	.....	.....	.....
Payson Street.....	I	I	2	1,500 00	.....	1,500 00	55 00
Pipe Creek.....	I	2	25	8,000 00	4,000 00	8,150 00	.....
Pittsville.....	4	I	18	7,000 00	800 00	1,200 00	.....
Pocomoke Circuit.....	3	4	14	1,500 00	1,000 00	1,500 00	.....
Pocomoke City.....	2	I	25	10,000 00	2,200 00	10,000 00	.....
Potomac.....	2	I	8	6,000 00	800 00	6,025 00	.....
Powellville.....	4	I	10	3,650 00	750 00	1,650 00	.....
Prince George.....	2	2	0	1,500 00	.....	.....	.....
Quantico.....	5	5	2	3,600 00	500 00	400 00	12 00
Queen Anne's.....	2	2	22	2,400 00	1,000 00	2,800 00	.....
Reliance.....	3	2	7	4,000 00	1,200 00	3,100 00	.....
Rowlandville.....	3	3	2	4,000 00	1,000 00	3,800 00	.....
Salisbury.....	I	I	20	8,000 00	2,000 00	6,400 00	.....
Salem.....	I	I	10	4,000 00	1,200 00	2,900 00	.....
Seaford.....	I	I	15	8,500 00	1,500 00	7,400 00	1,280 00
Snow Hill.....	3	3	19	3,600 00	3,000 00	4,100 00	1,000 00
South Baltimore.....	I	I	13	20,000 00	3,000 00	23,000 00	1,600 00
Starr.....	I	I	30	45,000 00	2,000 00	11,500 00	.....
Stewartstown.....	2	2	1	5,600 00	1,400 00	4,242 00	.....
St. James.....	2	2	27	7,000 00	1,650 00	6,000 00	.....
St. John's (Canton).....	I	I	0	1,800 00	.....	2,200 00	442 00
St. Luke's.....	1	I	3	7,500 00	5,000 00	4,000 00	5,171 00
St. Michael's.....	2	I	22	3,000 00	1,500 00	3,000 00	.....
Susquehanna.....	3	3	31	6,500 00	1,200 00	6,300 00	.....
Sussex.....	4	4	21	4,800 00	1,500 00	4,400 00	.....
Talbot.....	2	2	0	3,000 00	.....	1,000 00	540 00
Trinity.....	2	2	23	9,000 00	600 00	9,000 00	75 00
Union.....	4	4	I	5,000 00	1,000 00	800 00	199 89
Union Bridge.....	2	I	16	9,000 00	2,000 00	4,925 00	800 00
Violetville.....	1	I	0	600 00	.....	600 00	.....
Waltersville.....	2	I	20	4,500 00	1,600 00	3,900 00	925 00

Property Statistics for the Year Ending April, 1901.

CHARGES.	No. of Ap- pointments.	Churches.	Parsonages.	Church Pa- pers Taken.	Value Church Property.	Value of Parsonage Property.	Amount of Insurance on Church and Par- sonage Property.	Amount of Debt.
Warwick.....	3	3	1	15	3,340 00	940 00	.....	.....
Waverly.....	1	1	1	4	2,500 00	1,500 00	3,700 00	24 50
West Baltimore.....	1	1	1	52	36,000 00	1,500 00	16,800 00	8,000 00
Westminster.....	1	1	1	42	25,500 00	4,000 00	17,300 00	.....
Wilmington.....	1	1	1	15	8,500 00	.....	3,000 00	3,300 00
West Wilmington.....	1	1	0	11	4,000 00	.....	1,600 00	2,200 00
Wicomico.....	2	2	0	19	6,000 00	.....	.....	.....
Williamsport.....	3	3	0	7	1,500 00	.....	.....	.....
Wye.....	1	1	1	9	1,000 00	2,000 00	2,400 00	.....
Totals.....	289	285 1/2	93	1910	1,132,043 00	172,465 00	587,302 50	91,453 30
Report of 1900.....	289	285	91	1896	1,081,203 00	162,255 00	636,995 70	97,411 97
Increase.....	2	14	50,840 00	10,210 00
Decrease.....	38,893 20	5,958 67

Committee on Statistics:

{ HOWARD L. SCHLINCKE,
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Christian Endeavor Statistics for Year Ending April 3, 1901.

CHARGES.	No. of Societies.		Membership.					Contributions.		
	Juniors.	Y. P. S. C. E.	Active.	Trial.	Active.	Associate.	Honorary.	General Purposes.	Foreign Missions.	Conversions.
Alexandria.....		1			39			\$ 12 00		
Alnutt Memorial.....	1	1	35		50			124 70	\$40 00	
Baltimore.....	3		94	20				176 00		6
Beaver Dam.....										
Bedford.....		2			75			5 00		1
Belair.....		3			57	6	2	20 00		
Bethany.....	1	1	95		15			150 00	5 00	
Broadway.....	1	1	21	40	40			170 00		
Brooklyn.....		1			24		5	34 00		
Cumberland.....	1	1	47		30			5 00		
Caroline.....		3			50	30		19 98	9 98	5
Cecil.....	1	3	12	2	245	2	3	125 00	4 00	
Centreville.....	1	1	31		46		5	7 00		12
Central.....	1	1	6		11	7		24 90		
Christ, Baltimore.....	1	1	97	3	20	5				
Chesapeake.....		1			21			14 00	3 00	
Chestertown.....	1	1	75		110			100 00		2
Clinton Avenue.....	1		6	24				1 50		
Concord.....		1			32	7	5	13 40		
Crisfield.....	1	1	50		100	10		40 00	10 00	
Deer Creek.....		1			18		2	72 17		
Delta.....	1	1	30		22		6	15 00		3
Denton.....	1	1	27		22	3		67 47	4 19	
Dorchester.....		1			15	3	2	5 00		
East Baltimore.....	1		45	3				23 00		
Dover.....		1			50			58 63		
Easton.....	1	1	30		40				5 00	
Elizabeth.....	1	1	28		67	6	7	1 00		1
Eutaw.....	1	1	11	17	30	3		114 92	17 00	
Evergreen.....	1	1	40		22	1		21 11		
Fairfax.....	2	1	126		60	2	3	15 44		
Fawn Grove.....	1				61	5	9	75 00		
Felton.....	2				31			8 00		
Finksburg.....		4			100					
First Church, Wash..	1	1	11	40	37	4	6	40 40	13 33	4
Frederick.....		2			22	2		8 00		
Fox Hill.....		1			36	8	13	3 48		2

Christian Endeavor Statistics for Year Ending April 3, 1901.

CHARGES.	No. of Societies.		Membership.					Contributions.		
	Juniors.	Y. P. S. C. E.	Active.	Trial.	Active.	Associate.	Honorary.	General Purposes.	Foreign Missions.	Conversions.
Greenwood.....	1	1	30		34					
Georgetown, D. C.....		2			89	10	12	\$ 41 79	\$90 00	
Georgetown, Del.....	1	1	39		34	1		4 78		
Hampden.....	1	1	80		26		3	48 80		
Harrington.....	1	1	80		55			60 00		4
Harper's Ferry.....		1			25	3	3	7 00		
Hurlock.....		2			40	10				
Jefferson.....		1			56			100 82	18 80	
Kean Memorial.....	1	1	25		60					
Kempton.....		2			80	35		15 00		
Kennedyville.....		1			25		11	2 50		
Kent Island.....		1			27			30 00		
Laurel.....	1	1	76		51	11	1	68 32	17 58	
Lisbon.....		2			50	4		4 00		
Lewistown.....		1			19	18	2			
Liberty.....		1			12	8	6	15 00		
Lawsonia.....		1			20			1 04		
Lynchburg.....	1	1	52		25					2
Mardela.....		1			20	2	3	57 44	5 15	2
Mariners.....	1	1	30		44	4		30 00	15 00	2
Middleway.....		1			29	5				1
Millville.....		1			35			2 00		
Milton.....	1	1	30		25					
Mt. Nebo.....		1			60			11 40		
Mt. Tabor.....		1			25			75 00		
New Market.....	2	4	77		56	2	6	30 00	3 70	
Newark.....	2	1	74		40	1	4	60 00	15 00	2
North Baltimore.....	1	1	4	17	25			105 00		
North Carolina Ave.....	1	1	20	15	35			15 00		
Oxford.....	1	1	19	17	33	10		57 04	16 06	
Payson Street.....	1				45			35 00		14
Pipe Creek.....	1	1	17		48	2		22 05	10 00	
Pittsville.....		2			57	2				
Pocomoke City.....		1			29					
Parksley.....	1		20							
Potomac.....		1			33	24	8	40 57	10 00	
Queen Anne.....		2			65	2		65 00	2 00	

Christian Endeavor Statistics for Year Ending April 3, 1901:

CHARGES.	No. of Societies.		Membership.					Contributions.		Conversions.
	Juniors.	Y. P. S. C. E.	Active.	Trial.	Active.	Associate.	Honorary.	General Purposes.	Foreign Missions.	
Reliance.....		1			35			\$ 12 78		
Salisbury.....		1			39			10 00		
Salem.....	I	1	20		20	8	2	15 00		
Seaford.....	I	1	23	36	48	4	4	25 00	\$ 4 00	
Snow Hill.....		1			20					
South Baltimore.....		1			12	5	5			
St. Michaels.....	I	1	20		35	2		40 00		
St. John's, Canton... I	I	1	115		44	6		21 00		
St. Luke's.....	I	1	54		40			64 96		
St. James.....		2			62	17	16	110 76	36 75	
Starr.....	I	1	15		30		15	84 77	25 00	
Stewartstown.....	I	2	22		60	10		45 75		
Sussex.....		1			30			5 00		
Susquehanna.....		2			40	7	11	28 60		
Talbot.....		1			20			15 00		
Trinity.....	I	1	26		34			45 00		
Violetsville.....		1			20			20 49		
Waverly.....	I	1	65		30	2		12 75		
Walkersville.....		1			30			10 00		
Warwick.....	I	1	9	13	45	12		27 41	1 00	
West Baltimore.....	I	1	85		80	7	9	263 43	45 00	
Westminster.....	I	1	33	6	40	4	6	187 75	67 05	7
Williamsport.....		1			36					
West Wilmington ...	I	1	18		22	3		28 00		
Wye.....	I	1	13		21	8		40 50		
Grand Totals.....	57	117	2153	253	3878	353	196	\$4679 65	\$487 59	68
Increase.....	9		379					557 62	113 71	
Decrease.....				18	79	237	31			133

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REPORT OF THE CONFERENCE STEWARD, APRIL, 1901.

GENERAL INTERESTS.

	Assessed.	Paid.	Comparative Table.	
			Increase over 1900.	Decrease from 1900.
President's salary.....	\$2,394 00	\$2,383 25		\$90 76
Conference.....	450 00	351 03	\$52 47	
Ministerial education..	618 00	551 71	24 05	
Theological Seminary..	1,907 00	1,628 08		39 09
Superannuates.....	4,047 50	3,148 23	156 37	
Church extension.....	4,211 50	3,336 60	510 25	
Gen'l Home Missions..	1,573 75	1,200 55	2 68	
Foreign Missions.....	2,881 00	2,027 17	93 41	
Special for Foreign Missions.....				
From Sunday Schools..		93 17	9 46	
" Children's Day..		2,996 73	331 30	
" W. F. M. Society		1,281 64	126 22	
Miscellaneous.....		665 71	480 45	
Bible cause.....		383 28		24 81
Tract cause.....		373 62		104 46
Our Church Home.....		522 48		78 17
Tot'l for gen'l interests		\$20,943 25	\$1,786 66	\$337 29

REPORT OF THE CONFERENCE STEWARD APRIL, 1901.

LOCAL INTERESTS.

	Assessed.	Paid.	Comparative Table.	
			Increase over 1900.	Decrease from 1900.
Pastor's salary.....	\$70,796 44	\$70,998 89	\$3,237 64	.....
Rent of Parsonage.....		540 00		*8,538 00
Other current expenses (such as fuel, sexton, etc.).....		29,417 60	7,877 33	.....
Sunday-school expenses.....		9,776 80	463 68	.....
Build'g improvements.....		27,395 63		13,770 29
Church and parsonage debt.....		14,687 37		5,554 32
Total for local interests.....		\$153,232 30	\$11,578 65	\$27,862 61

MISCELLANEOUS.

General Conference expenses.....	\$166 29
Sundries.....	10,495 55

Total for miscellaneous purposes..... \$10 661 84

Total amount raised for all purposes..... \$184,837 39

Net decrease for all purposes..... 10,892 40

*This decrease is explained largely by charges owning parsonages which have heretofore received credit for rental value, but are not receiving it this time.

Respectfully submitted,

JOHN H. S. EWELL.

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. He shall also send the name to the President of the Conference and the pastor of the church where the Conference is held.

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.

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 as 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 case 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 adjournment.

RULE II.

Duties of the Secretary.

1. To perform such duties as are usually required of the Secretary of a deliberative body.
2. Should the President not be in place at the hour of meeting the Secretary, or in his absence one of his assistants, shall announce the fact,

and the Conference shall elect a chairman *pro tempore* and proceed to business.

3. Have charge of all the papers belonging to the Conference and be accountable for them.

4. Be in his place precisely at the hour agreed on at the last adjournment.

5. Keep an accurate list of members of the Conference.

6. Keep correct minutes of the proceedings of Conference, including all written resolutions, whether adopted or rejected, and the mover and seconder of all written resolutions.

7. Keep a list of business, on which he shall record all business brought before the Conference and in the order of its presentation.

8. 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.

9. Keep a correct list of the Circuits and Stations, to be used as occasion may require.

10. Report to the Conference any unfinished business of the preceding annual session.

11. Be a member of the Committee on the Publication of the Minutes.

12. Supply the pastors with blanks.

COMMITTEES.

RULE III.

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

RULE IV.

Standing Committees.

1. Finance—2 Ministers, 3 Laymen.
2. Itinerancy and Orders—The Faculty of Instruction.
3. Pulpit Service—3 Ministers.
4. Church Extension—3 Ministers, 3 Laymen.
5. Superannuates—3 Ministers, 3 Laymen.
6. Literature—3 Ministers, 3 Laymen.
7. Sunday Schools—3 Ministers, 2 Laymen.
8. Temperance—3 Ministers, 2 Laymen.
9. Benevolent Agencies—3 Ministers, 2 Laymen.
10. Fraternal Relations—3 Ministers, 2 Laymen.
11. Official Character—3 Ministers, 2 Laymen.
12. Statistics—1 Minister, 1 Layman.
13. Obituaries—3 Ministers, 3 Laymen. This committee not to be appointed until the death of some minister requires it.
14. Education—3 Ministers, 2 Laymen.
15. Committee on Missions—3 Ministers, 3 Laymen.
16. President's Report—2 Ministers, 1 Layman.
17. Sabbath Observance—3 Ministers, 3 Laymen.
18. Committee on Credentials—1 Minister, 2 Laymen.
19. Christian Endeavor Work—3 Ministers, 3 Laymen.
20. Publication of Minutes—The Secretary and 2 Ministers.
21. Committee on Transportation.
22. Committee on Church Enterprises—2 Ministers, 3 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.

* 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, to substitute, to amend, or to make the order of the day; 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 IX.

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 X.

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 XI.

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

RULE XII.

A motion, after it is seconded, is the property of the Conference, and the mover has no power to withdraw or have it amended, without leave.

RULE XIII.

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

RULE XIV.

In filling up blanks, the largest sum and longest time shall be first put. In balloting, blanks shall be rejected and not reported by the tellers.

DECORUM.

RULE XV.

When a member desires to present any business, or to speak to any question, he shall arise 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 XVI.

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

RULE XVII.

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 XVIII.

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 XIX.

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. The question on such appeal shall be taken without debate, but the appellant may state the ground of his appeal. If the Conference sustain the chair, the member shall be allowed to proceed only in order.

RULE XX.

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 XXI.

No member shall be allowed to explain remarks made in previous speech, except in regular debate, unless the member replying thereto requests it, or unless another member requests.

RULE XXII.

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

RULE XXIII.

Every member shall report at roll call of the first day's session, and be present at the daily sessions of Conference.

RULE XXIV.

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 is put.

RULE XXV.

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 XXVI.

At 9 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 XXVII.

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. Roll Call. The roll shall then be called, including the Dead Roll. 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 same 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 XXVIII.

At 10.30 o'clock on the first day of each session of the Annual Conference the President, or his substitute, shall preach a sermon, and immediately thereafter the Sacrament of the Lord's Supper shall be administered. The President shall also appoint some one to preach the Ordination Sermon at 11 A.M. on Sunday.

RULE XXIX.

At 2.30 o'clock P.M. on the first day of the session, the officers of the Conference shall be elected by ballot as follows: 1. President. 2. Secretary. 3. Conference Steward. 4. Church Extension Steward. 5. Superannuated Fund Steward. 6. Foreign Missionary Steward. 7. General Home Missionary Steward. 8. Educational Steward. 9. Our Church Home Steward. 10. Bible and Tract Steward. The Board of Stewards elected at one session to serve the following session of Conference, and the Conference Steward to appoint an assistant. 11. Standing District Committee, consisting of three elders and three laymen. 12. Committee of Appeals, three ministers and three laymen.

RULE XXX.

Examination of Official Character. The roll shall be called and the 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 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 explanation 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.

ORDER OF BUSINESS FOR THE DIURNAL SESSION.

RULE XXXI.

The Conference shall be opened each day by reading the Scriptures, singing a hymn, and prayer.

RULE XXXII.

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

RULE XXXIII.

The President shall then announce that it is in order for delegates to present any business from the churches they represent; when any delegate, upon recognition by the Chair, may present any business, it shall be recorded without debate on the list of business.

RULE XXXIV.

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 XXXV.

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

RULE XXXVI.

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

RULE XXXVII.

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

RULE XXXVIII.

When any business is taken into consideration it shall not be interrupted by any other business except the order of the day or by adjournment.

RULE XXXIX.

When there are present Fraternal Messengers and other visitors to whom the courtesy of formal recognition is due, the Chairman of the Committee on Fraternal Relations shall quietly inform the President, whereupon the President may request the visitors to be brought to him, to be by him introduced to the Conference, either at that time or when the state of business may with more propriety be arrested.

RULES OF ADMINISTRATION.

Duties of the President.

1. There shall be a meeting on Tuesday evening before the meeting of the Annual Conference in the interest of Temperance. On Wednesday evening (the first day of the session) there shall be a meeting in the interest of Sunday-Schools and Christian Endeavor; on Thursday evening, in the interest of Literature and Education; on Friday evening, in the interest of Missions, and on Monday evening, in the interest of Ministerial Support.

The President shall appoint a chairman for each of these meetings, who shall secure speakers, preside at the meeting and make all other necessary arrangements.

2. The office of stationing the ministers and preachers is committed to the hands of 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 failure of the President to visit any charge does not vitiate his right to the amount assessed for his salary.

6. The President shall represent the general interests of the Conference, and shall present their claims in such a manner and at such times as in his judgment may be necessary. And he shall use his utmost efforts with the Quarterly Conferences of the various charges to secure a salary of not less than \$600 for the minister with family, appointed as pastor, who has itinerated five years within the bounds of the Maryland Conference, and he shall urge upon the various charges the prompt payment of the salaries of the pastors.

DUTIES OF STEWARDS.

1. The Conference Steward, Church Extension Steward, Superannuated Fund Steward, Foreign Missionary Steward, General Home Missionary Steward, Educational Steward, Our Church Home Steward, and Bible and Tract 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 on Thursday morning at 10 o'clock and open the envelopes containing the various collections, count the money enclosed, noting its agreement with the statement of 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. The pastor shall seek the co-operation of the Stewards in collecting the assessments made by the Annual Conference; admonishing them of their duty in this matter as contained in the Discipline, under the head of "Duties of Stewards," pp. 116-17.

2. It is the duty of pastors to examine and see that suitable deeds be had for all churches, so as to secure them to the Methodist Protestant Church, and, whenever 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 the Woman's Foreign Missionary Societies, and due credit shall be given the Minutes.

EXPENSES OF CONFERENCE.

The churches shall be assessed in a sum sufficient to meet the incidental expenses, including the publication of the Minutes—each church receiving Minutes in proportion to the amount contributed.

ORDER OF BUSINESS FOR QUARTERLY CONFERENCES.

The Conference shall be opened by reading a portion of the Word of God and prayer, after which the business shall proceed in the following order:

1. Call the roll, noting those present and absent.
2. Read minutes of last meeting.
3. Make necessary corrections in official list.
4. Consider objections to official character.
5. At first Quarterly Conference elect a Secretary, an Advisory Committee and Committee on Examinations.
6. Hear reports—
 - a. From pastor and associates.
 - b. From superannuates.
 - c. From unstationed ministers, preachers and exhorters.
 - d. From class-leaders, S. S. Superintendents and Presidents of C. E. Societies.
 - e. From Trustees and Stewards.
7. Hear and decide on appeals.
8. Inquire faithfully whether candidates for exhorter's and preacher's license for itinerancy and orders pursue the prescribed course of study and reading.
9. Grant and renew licenses.
10. Recommend to Board of Ministerial Education.
11. Recommend for orders and itinerancy.
12. Consider applications of ministers and preachers who desire to become members of this Quarterly Conference.
13. Hear suggestions from Advisory Committee.
14. Inquire why church property is not insured.
15. Incidental business.
16. Fix place for next Quarterly Conference.
17. Adjourn with benediction.

SUFFRAGE AND ELIGIBILITY.

1. 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.

2. 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 purpose

indicated in Section 3 of Article IV of the Constitution, and in divisions 1 and 4 of "General Duties of Trustees," found on pages 114 and 115 of Discipline.

3. 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.

4. Every member in full communion and fellowship having attained the age of twenty-one years shall be eligible as a Trustee and a Delegate to the Annual Conference; and every male member in full communion and fellowship having attained the age of twenty-one years shall be eligible as a Trustee and a Delegate to the Annual Conference.

5. 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 qualifications.

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 placing of mortgages upon church property, for the purpose, directly or indirectly, of paying the pastor's salary, is, so far as it has authority, disallowed by the Conference.

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 acts in his Christian and ministerial history.

3. The obituaries of wives and widows of the ministerial members of the Conference shall also be published in the Minutes.

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 to 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. Upon receiving from a quarterly conference a request for ministerial supply and a pledge that the above regulations will be faithfully observed, the President of the Annual Conference shall appoint members of this Conference to assist in conducting the camp-meeting.

In the absence of a request and a pledge such as are named above, the President shall not appoint such ministerial supply, nor shall any member of this Conference conduct such camp-meeting as pastor.

Appointees to camp-meeting service must be given four weeks' notice of their appointment. If they find it inconvenient to attend they shall promptly present their excuse to the President. If the President declines to revoke their appointment, a failure to attend shall be reported to this Conference by the President.

MISSIONARY REGULATIONS.

1. Contributions for church extension shall be sent to the Treasurer of the Church Extension Society, that he may disburse the funds to the missionaries according to their various claims.

2. Pastors are instructed to have the Church Extension collections in the hands of the Treasurer by the end of the second quarter of the conference year.

3. The Committee on Church Extension shall ascertain what amount of funds may be regarded as available for church extension purposes the ensuing year.

4. Appropriations shall not exceed the amount which may reasonably be expected from collections and interest on legacies.

5. The Church Extension Society of this Conference shall elect seven Trustees for each mission, who shall hold all the property on our mission fields in trust of 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 the power to elect their own Trustees, to whom the Trustees appointed by the Church Extension 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, withholding 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 trial of members. 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 the entire mission become refractory the missionary shall be authorized to select them according to the provision of the Discipline for trial of churches; *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 of the church from which the committee of trial is selected, at the session 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 for the trial of members.

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 applicants 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 Church Extension 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 traveling 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 Church Extension Society in the interim of Conference.