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MINISTERS AND PREACHERS, Continued.

No.	Sur.	Min.	No.	Sur.	No.
321	R. W. Cox	1841	77	R. H. Bourn	1877
322	James E. Baker	1842	104	H. H. Roberts	1878
323	L. A. Beardsley	1842	105	W. W. Wright	1878
324	W. W. Coffey	1842	106	W. A. Mott	1878
325	G. D. Davis	1842	107	R. P. Egan	1878
326	S. S. Packer	1842	108	J. I. Ward	1878
327	A. H. Cassin	1842	109	G. A. Smith	1878
328	A. H. Lewis	1842	110	M. Decker	1878
329	C. A. McCully	1842	111	L. C. Taylor	1878
330	T. H. Smith	1842	112	M. J. Taylor	1878
331	A. Wright	1842	113	E. J. Taylor	1878
332	J. M. Clayton	1842	114	E. J. Taylor	1878
333	J. W. Hays	1842	115	E. J. Taylor	1878
334	W. H. Hays	1842	116	E. J. Taylor	1878
335	C. C. Jackson	1842	117	E. J. Taylor	1878
336	T. C. Keck	1842	118	E. J. Taylor	1878
337	C. F. Bennett	1842	119	E. J. Taylor	1878
338	H. C. Keck	1842	120	E. J. Taylor	1878
339	C. J. Wolfe	1842	121	E. J. Taylor	1878
340	A. S. Bennett	1842	122	E. J. Taylor	1878
341	G. J. Hill	1842	123	E. J. Taylor	1878
342	W. H. Johnson	1842	124	E. J. Taylor	1878
343	W. H. Johnson	1842	125	E. J. Taylor	1878
344	J. A. Smith	1842	126	E. J. Taylor	1878
345	H. L. Johnson	1842	127	E. J. Taylor	1878
346	C. E. Jones	1842	128	E. J. Taylor	1878
347	H. L. Johnson	1842	129	E. J. Taylor	1878
348	C. A. Jones	1842	130	E. J. Taylor	1878
349	W. H. Johnson	1842	131	E. J. Taylor	1878
350	A. N. Ward	1842	132	E. J. Taylor	1878
351	T. H. Wright	1842	133	E. J. Taylor	1878
352	J. P. Ryan	1842	134	E. J. Taylor	1878
353	N. D. Johnson	1842	135	E. J. Taylor	1878
354	P. A. Johnson	1842	136	E. J. Taylor	1878

LATIMER.

Charge	Delegate	Charge	Delegate
Acron	J. W. Wells	First Church	M. S. Hawley
Albion	J. V. Smith	St. Hill	D. S. Jones
Albion	H. Jones	Trinity	R. J. Taylor
Albion	A. Jones	Trinity	P. J. Taylor
Albion	W. W. Jones	Trinity	W. W. Jones
Albion	A. J. Jones	Trinity	W. W. Jones
Albion	J. I. Jones	Trinity	W. W. Jones
Albion	C. J. Jones	Trinity	W. W. Jones
Albion	E. J. Jones	Trinity	W. W. Jones
Albion	F. J. Jones	Trinity	W. W. Jones
Albion	G. J. Jones	Trinity	W. W. Jones
Albion	H. J. Jones	Trinity	W. W. Jones
Albion	I. J. Jones	Trinity	W. W. Jones
Albion	J. K. Jones	Trinity	W. W. Jones
Albion	L. J. Jones	Trinity	W. W. Jones
Albion	M. J. Jones	Trinity	W. W. Jones
Albion	N. J. Jones	Trinity	W. W. Jones
Albion	O. J. Jones	Trinity	W. W. Jones
Albion	P. J. Jones	Trinity	W. W. Jones
Albion	Q. J. Jones	Trinity	W. W. Jones
Albion	R. J. Jones	Trinity	W. W. Jones
Albion	S. J. Jones	Trinity	W. W. Jones
Albion	T. J. Jones	Trinity	W. W. Jones
Albion	U. J. Jones	Trinity	W. W. Jones
Albion	V. J. Jones	Trinity	W. W. Jones
Albion	W. J. Jones	Trinity	W. W. Jones
Albion	X. J. Jones	Trinity	W. W. Jones
Albion	Y. J. Jones	Trinity	W. W. Jones
Albion	Z. J. Jones	Trinity	W. W. Jones

MARYLAND ANNUAL CONFERENCE

LAYMEN—Continued.

Charge	Delegates	Charge	Delegates
Gettysburg	F. A. McCreary	St. Mary's	W. W. Smith
Hales	J. T. Jones	Stovestown	G. W. Davis
Indigo	H. T. Evans	St. James	James Wagner
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Keyport	John Brink	St. Luke's	J. O. Hays
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Northampton	D. H. Hastings	St. Michael's	J. W. McClain
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Northampton	J. E. Dickson	St. Peter's	W. H. Carter
Northampton	Henry Watkins	St. Peter's	H. H. Mease
Northampton	E. L. Smith	St. Peter's	Henry Schuler
Northampton	Rudolf Hilde	St. Peter's	C. S. Mottick
Northampton	A. T. De Long	St. Peter's	W. G. H. H. H.
Northampton	W. R. Woodson	St. Peter's	J. A. Mottick
Northampton	W. R. Woodson	St. Peter's	T. W. Mottick
Northampton	H. K. Jones	St. Peter's	J. L. Mottick
Northampton	W. H. H. H.	St. Peter's	J. A. Mottick
Northampton	George Kato	St. Peter's	J. H. Mottick

UNSTATIONED MINISTERS AND PREACHERS.

Charge	Ministry	Preachers
Accomac		John D. Coar
Albion Memorial		A. J. Lewis
Baltimore		C. H. Rogers
Baltimore		W. P. Roberts
Baltimore		G. P. Stewart
Baltimore		W. B. Evans
Baltimore		H. C. Roberts
Baltimore		Joseph K. Kato
Baltimore		A. L. Johnson
Baltimore		S. H. Brown
Baltimore		C. M. Hildebrand
Baltimore		Rudolf Hilde
Baltimore		Thomas G. Giff

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Cambridge		OSCO Shultz
Cambridge		W. H. Young
Cambridge		J. H. Dixon
Cambridge		H. L. Johnson
Cambridge		P. S. Rogers
Cambridge		James Carlisle
Cambridge		John Cook
Cambridge		J. P. Morris
Cambridge		J. J. Hays
Cambridge		W. L. H. Green
Cambridge		Harvey Phillips
Cambridge		A. S. Smith
Cambridge		W. H. Wood
Cambridge		W. P. Carter
Cambridge		William L. L.
Cambridge		H. P. Smith
Cambridge		H. L. Staley
Cambridge		N. E. Maguire
Cambridge		S. S. Lawrence
Cambridge		John H. White
Cambridge		William H. H.
Cambridge		J. R. Mottick
Cambridge		David H.
Cambridge		R. H. Tilghman
Cambridge		Marshall H. H.
Cambridge		C. S. Clough
Cambridge		G. W. Hays
Cambridge		Oliver Conner
Cambridge		J. H. Chapman
Cambridge		Arno W. W.
Cambridge		Scott D. H.
Cambridge		S. L. McClain
Cambridge		C. W. Smith
Cambridge		John T. Clark
Cambridge		Samuel J. J.
Cambridge		Joseph K. K.
Cambridge		F. A. Roberts
Cambridge		E. N. Roberts
Cambridge		W. H. Roberts
Cambridge		R. H. H.
Cambridge		J. P. Hays
Cambridge		J. H. H.
Cambridge		A. S. Roberts
Cambridge		William J.
Cambridge		L. W. Hays
Cambridge		Charles H. H.
Cambridge		J. D. Hays
Cambridge		John G.

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J. T. LARSELL—*The New Testament, English Grammar*.  
W. M. STRAYER—*Smith's Reader, English History, Conference (Chair)*,  
*Hebrew*.  
J. L. MILLER—*Miller's Church History and Science*.  
Faculty: *Practical Aspects of Christian Education*.  
S. B. BOUTWELL—*Constitution and Discipline of the M. E. Church*.

### First Year's Class

- T. H. LUSKIS—*Fisher's Manual of Christian Theology*.  
*Miller's Theology*, Vol. I to page 110.  
D. L. GREENFIELD—*Lesson, Exposition and History of Sermons*.  
A written exercise submitted February 1st.  
J. H. HOLMES—*Nichols's Help to the Study of the Bible*.  
J. W. CRAVY—*Dr. Krause's History of Methodism*, Vol. I.  
*Studies*: G. E. Brown, R. A. Dean, F. M. Child, W. H. Hildre, G. C. Harpham, J. E. Lindsay, G. J. Smith and K. E. Thomas.  
Students prepare and forward them on "The Evidence of God," on or before February 1st, 1915.

### Second Year's Class

- H. C. CUSHING—*Miller's Theology*, Vol. I, page 110 to end.  
S. B. TERADWAY—*Barnes's Sacred Geography and Antiquities*.  
W. M. STRAYER—*Fisher's Church History*, (Complete).  
J. E. MALLOY—*Dr. Johnson's History of Methodist Reform*, Vol. II.  
D. L. GREENFIELD—*Exercises* submitted February 1st.  
*Studies*: F. W. Clark, D. M. Hinkle, W. P. Kress, G. J. Hinkle, Clayton Phillips and K. L. Shipley.  
Students prepare and forward them on "Native Deceit," on or before February 1st, 1915.

## FACTS OF INSTRUCTION

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### Third Year's Class

- H. C. CUSHING—*Miller's Theology*, Vol. II. A written exercise submitted by January 1st.  
J. S. BOWEN—*Face's Exposition of Paul*.  
A. W. SEASTON—*Miller's Christian Ministry*.  
The following books are to be read by the class and a written syllabus presented to the students at the time indicated:  
H. C. CUSHING—*General's Modern Sunday School*, submitted August 1st.  
J. S. BOWEN—*Paul's Epistles* and the *Canon*, submitted December 1st.  
A. W. SEASTON—*Scripture, Theory and Practice of Interpretation*, December 1st, submitted February 1st.

*Studies*—R. H. Jones and C. E. Newell—*1915*.  
Students prepare and forward them on "The Abomination," on or before February 1st, 1915.  
Students from Washington Theological Seminary who are to be examined in any of the studies of this course charge in Hebrew and Greek; but the students should present each year three or four original subjects to be applied to in the examination in systematic Theology.

All students who desire to be examined in Hebrew and Greek will appear before H. L. ALDRICH in Hebrew. In July, Greek. The year, 1915-16, for year books. (J. S. BOWEN and J. T. LARSELL, Secretaries in Greek, 1915-16. 1915-16, respectively.)

A B. Students will deliver a lecture on the English and Theory of any Church Government and every student is required to attend this lecture and examination, and also to answer the questions. "Give you give a portion of each day in your study of the Word and in prayer."

The faculty meets Faculty before conference on 19.10 a. m. to examine students, and on 19.10 a. m. in lecture.

Students answer to the first of the questions given will be required to pass a certificate after the session on field or into any case of the nature of the answer. The third will be required to. All questions answered by students will be marked 100, and all receiving 100 will be required in the examination.

S. A. Spence, Secretary, President.

J. L. Hays, Secretary.

### DEAD ROLL.

"I have sought a good God, I have finished my journey, I have kept His laws, His precepts, there is laid up for me a crown of glory which shall never fade, His righteous Judge shall give to me at that day." 1 Tim. iv. 8.

Name	Rank	Enlisted Company	Died
CHAS. B. BROWN	1781	704	1860
JOSEPH BROWN	1782	704	1860
WILLIAM BRIDGES	1783	704	1860
CHARLES WILSON BROWN	1784	704	1860
JOHN BROWN	1785	704	1860
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### DEAD ROLL—Continued

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FIRST DAY—Wednesday

BALTIMORE, Md., April 6, 1931.

The Maryland Annual Conference convened at 9:00 a. m. today in society hall session in Christ Episcopal Protestant Episcopal Church, Claret and Lombard Sts., Baltimore, Maryland. The president, D. J. Little, called the conference to order and conducted a devotional service, Psalm 11, "Ye servants of God," was sung. The twelfth chapter of Romans was read, after which prayer was offered. N. H. Sauerbald was called to the chair and the president read his report. (Report A.) His character was passed and he received the chair.

The roll of the conference was called by the secretary, W. B. Phillips. The names of Edward Jacob Brinkmeyer, Adolphus Knack, Edwin and Harriett Spence Law were transferred to the Dead Roll.

J. J. Strohman moved that the time for calling the Dead Roll and holding the Memorial Service be fixed for Sabbath afternoon, 11 A. M. in session of a satellite motion that the acceptance of the roll of the conference be held relative to the Memorial Service be adopted. Resolutions were read and the original motion prevailed.

A resolution was offered by B. C. Mackesy extending to J. M. Dickey in the case of his wife, the sympathy of the conference, and was adopted by a rising vote. (Resolution 1.)

The president at this juncture read the list of the Standing Committees. (See List.)

The order of the day, the conference session, having expired, B. C. Klein moved that the conference take a recess of five minutes. The motion prevailed.

The time for the conference session having expired, Psalm 101, "Open, the doors high over all," was sung and prayer offered by J. M. Sherman. The president, read the Scripture from Luke 8:33-37 and I Timothy 4. Hymn 359, "How ye the trumpet sound," was sung. J. A. Mitchell thereupon preached the conference message from John 9:5, "Ye shall know the truth and the truth shall make you free." W. M. Strayer led in prayer, and hymn 97, "Our track divine fulfillment seek," was sung. The benediction was pronounced by W. M. Strayer.

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Presumably at 2:00 p. m. the president called the conference to order. D. J. Little was elected conference president and the list of the members was read.

A communication from J. N. Wright, representing a conference was received by the Business Committee of the Methodist Episcopal Church, in which he stated, applying this conference that the next session be held at the residence of the president, Baltimore, Md. Following the communication in the letter on motion of J. J. Murray, the time for holding the conference was fixed at 10:00 a. m. J. N. Adams made a motion which prevailed that the president of the conference assembly to the committee that had no business, the committee might adjourn should be considered afterwards.

A motion was made that the officer be requested to refrain from the use of the speaking in the *Methodist Protestant*. A second motion was made authorizing the publication of the report and the committee was appointed to have the matter in charge. The resolution was passed and the president, appointed P. T. Tapp and D. E. Tridway.

The conference followed the order of the day, the election of officers. The resolution approved by letters, J. W. Hildreth, R. C. Mahoney, J. K. Myers and G. W. Davidson. J. T. Little was elected president on the first ballot. J. H. S. Howell was elected secretary on the second ballot. The following names also shall serve in 1932: Conference, W. M. Strayer; Clerical Relations, R. S. Fooks; Representatives, Fred C. W. Knecht; Foreign Missions, W. A. Heiler; Home Missions, G. M. Clayton; Education, J. M. Dickey; Our Church Home, I. A. Heiler; Educational Trust, N. D. Gilman.

The list of the Standing District Committee was taken and the letters were, an motion, permitted to retire and about the ballot.

The conference proceeded with increasing interest. The president made the following appointments for the coming devotional services and collections: Thursday, J. L. Nichols; Friday, W. M. Strayer; Saturday, D. E. Tridway; Sunday, Clarence Phillips; Tuesday, R. L. Shipley; to conduct the service, June for the Synagogue, Peace Society, C. J. Flanagan; to collect for the cause, Christian Society, C. B. Schenck; to collect for the service, Henry Sailer.

D. E. Tridway, representing a friend of the Christian Church, brought a gift of gold to the other members of the conference. His committee requested the president to make the presentation, who with appropriate remarks delivered the gift to D. E. Tridway.

Prayer was by unanimous consent, referred to the Society of the Brethren, to the Committee on Church Extension, and to the Foreign Society Committee.

The report of the Agent of the President's Enterprise was referred without reading to the Board of Finance. (See Report A.)

The report of the Joint Committee of the Baltimore Book Directory was read and accepted. (See Report G.)

The report of the Baltimore Book Directory was read and referred to the Committee on Literature. (See Report D.)

The report of the Agent of the Yearly Ninth Century Board was read and referred to the Committee on Literature. (See Report G.)

A communication from Mrs. Pauline B. Wood, off, secretary of the Washington and Atlantic Branch of the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society, was read and referred to the Committee on Missions. (See Report G.)

The report of the secretary of the conference was read, adopted and referred to the Board of Finance as usual. (Report 2.)

J. D. Kinner read the report of the Board of Governors of the Third Legal Seminary which was referred to the Committee on Education. (See Report K.)

On a motion, which obtained, the secretary was requested to communicate with S. J. Smith, who is executor of the estate of the late Wm. H. Jones of his daughter, and express to him the sympathy of the conference in his affliction.

A resolution with reference to the appointment of members of the Board of Governors of the Washington Theological Seminary was offered by H. L. Bidwell and adopted. (Resolution 2.)

A communication from T. R. Reynolds, expressing his regret at his inability to attend the session of conference, was read and referred to the Committee on Pastoral Relations. (See Report L.)

F. T. Fogg, for the Committee on John Wesley Day, made a statement that the observance of John Wesley's birthday in connection with the Methodist Episcopal Church South, had been observed. The subject was accepted as a report and the matter was discharged.

J. W. Frost moved that the resignation of F. R. Woodruff, Conference Secretary, be accepted and that W. M. Sherrill be elected in his stead.

The motion prevailed.

The conference at this point gave way to the pastoral service, conducted by J. M. Howe and A. S. Fickel.

At five o'clock the president returned the chair and the result of the ballot for the Stedley District Conference was announced. The following were declared elected: members, J. D. Kinner, W. R. Harrison;

L. Scroggie; laymen, T. P. Fisher, W. D. Baker, W. B. Hillman.

The conference then adjourned with the benediction by David Wilson.

## SECOND DAY—Thursday

The morning devotional exercises were conducted by J. L. Nicolson. The president called the conference to order at 9:30 o'clock. The roll call was dispensed with and the prayers were read and approved.

On motion of J. L. Stoughton, the roll was suspended and the roll was called for depositing reports.

The ballot for the Committee on Appointments was taken and the tables turned in favor of the ballot.

A communication from Mrs. R. H. Van Dine was read and referred to the Committee on Missions, with the special instruction that the committee extend to her in its official, the sympathy of the conference.

The order of the day for receiving the special committee from the Baltimore Conference of the Methodist Episcopal Church having expired, the committee which consisted of Bishop Thomas Thomas, Hon. W. O. Herbert, H. L. Watson, J. S. C. Neal, S. R. Murray and J. P. Wright were except Bishop Bowman, introduced to the conference. The members of the committee individually addressed the conference, and a copy of the resolution passed by the Baltimore Conference respecting them of the churches was delivered to the conference. The president of the conference proposed to the committee. The organization of the committee was approved by J. D. Kinner, J. M. Sherrill, J. M. Gill, W. G. Blair and T. A. Murray.

Mrs. D. S. G. Rupp, F. T. Shadler, W. F. Roberts, L. T. White, Mrs. G. W. Hobbs, C. C. Douglas, Mary Marckel, J. A. Anderson and C. Herbert Richardson were introduced to the conference. Dr. G. D. McMillan, secretary of the Board of Home Missions, Dr. C. R. Williams, of the Sunday School Extension, and Mr. Sellhouse were also introduced. The day closed for having the general conference of 1898 and opened at 11:00 a. m. Friday.

The roll of the charges was called and communications were deposited with the secretary.

On motion of W. M. Scroggie, the president was authorized to appoint two visitors to the conference tomorrow. The president appointed C. M. Conroy and Charles P. Potts.

On motion of J. L. Nicolson, the conference house was closed from 9:00 a. m. to 12:00 p. m. and from 2:00 p. m. to 4:00 p. m. on Friday.

A communication from the secretary of the Board of Home Missions with reference to the Home Missions movement was read and referred to the Committee on Missions. A further communication from the secretary of the Board of Home Missions with reference to the Home Missions of the conference was read and referred to the Committee on Pastoral Relations.

Papers by evangelists presented, referred to the Faculty of Instruction and to the Board of Finance.

J. D. Kinzer read the report of the Educational Endowment Society, which was adopted. (See Report N). On motion, the secretary ran the vote of the conference for F. T. Benson as a member of the Educational Endowment Society.

A paper with reference to Jackson Grove Assembly and Chautauque was read by F. T. Tagg, which, on motion, was referred to a special committee of five. The president appointed J. L. Mills, J. L. Strang, L. P. Wray, M. A. Davis and T. W. Madin.

The report of the special committee on Mt. Olivet Church's Claim was read. The report was adopted, and, on motion, the committee was reappointed. (Report U).

On a further motion the order of the day for hearing the general conference officers and other agents was rescinded and fixed for 3:30 p. m., Thursday.

C. S. Amstutz and W. B. Hammond requested a continuance of their relation for another year. Their request to be left without appointment was granted.

The result of the ballot for the Committee on Appeals was announced. J. D. Kinzer, W. B. Hammond and W. M. Strayer were elected as the ministers, and J. G. Cokeman, T. P. Finley and W. B. Sheppard as the laymen of the committee.

Bishop Thomas Bowman, the senior bishop of the Methodist Episcopal Church and a member of the Baltimore Conference General Conference, was introduced. The time was extended indefinitely and Bishop Bowman addressed the conference. The conference then took the noon recess. The benediction was pronounced by Bishop Bowman.

#### Afternoon

The conference was called to order by the president at 2:00 p. m.

Papers referred to the Church Extension Committee.

A communication from F. H. Mullins, who is on a trip to the Holy Land, was read and referred to the Committee on Sunday Schools.

Rev. U. G. Murphy, the president of the Japan Mission Conference, was introduced to the conference.

There being no business on the secretary's table, F. C. Klein moved and G. R. McManis, secretary of the Board of Home Missions, C. E. Wilber, editor of the Sunday school literature, and Rev. H. G. Murphy on behalf of T. J. O'Brien, secretary of the Board of Foreign Missions addressed the conference.

J. D. Kinzer submitted a resolution respecting the expenses of the representatives to the general conference, which was adopted. (Resolution 4). On a further motion, motions were instructed to forward the amounts for the same to T. R. Woodford, Agent of the Book Concern.

Papers were referred to the Christian Endeavor Committee, Church Extension Committee and Board of Finance.

The president at this point addressed the conference with reference to the appointments.

G. W. Hadaway moved that the case of Mrs. A. D. Melvin be referred to the Committee on Superannuates. The motion prevailed.

The Committee on Paper Supply read the appointments for Sunday and the report was adopted.

The secretary announced as his assistants, J. H. S. Ewell and J. H. Strangis.

The hour for the parsonage service having arrived, the conference gave way to those in charge.

At five o'clock the president resumed the chair. On motion, C. A. Morris was excused until Monday.

The conference adjourned with the benediction by J. B. Jones.

#### THIRD DAY—Friday

The morning devotional exercises were conducted by W. N. Sherwood.

At 9:30 o'clock the president called the conference to order. The conference dispersed with the roll-call. The minutes were read and approved.

An invitation from the Salisbury Church through its delegate was extended the conference to hold its next annual session in that church. The invitation was taken on the table for twenty-four hours.

The list of the committee for reports was called.

A partial report of the faculty was read. On motion the report was taken up by items. Recommendation 2, passing students out of the course; recommendation 3, passing students into the third and second years' classes; recommendation 4, concerning the reception of students, and 4, concerning the admission of students, were adopted. The report as a whole was then adopted. (Report D).

The report of the Committee on Sabbath Observance emphasizing the sacredness of the Christian Sabbath and the necessity of its preservation was read and without discussion adopted. (Report E).

The Committee on Catechetics submitted its report. The report was amended to include the delegate from Millville and adopted as amended. (Report F).

A communication from A. D. Dick, regarding his inability to attend the sessions of conference, was read and referred to the Committee on Superannuates.

A resolution by R. S. Rose fixing the time of the next annual conference was read and laid on the table for twenty-four hours.

Another resolution signed by R. S. Rose and J. D. Kinzer authorizing the secretary to furnish envelopes in the official list for president's salary was offered and adopted.

A communication from Congress Street Quarterly Conference concerning the assessments on that church was read and referred to the Board of Finance.

Papers were referred to the Church Extension Committee.

A request from the president with reference to leaving students to administer the ordinances was read and referred to the Committee on Itinerancy and Orders.

The conference at this point gave way to the Mutual Relief Association.

With the resumption of conference business, on motion of J. D. Kinzer, the name of W. D. Linsinger was referred to the Committee on Superannuates.

Miss Anna I. Forest, a missionary to Japan; Rev. J. P. Wilson and Rev. J. M. Gillam were introduced.

The Committee on Literature submitted a partial report, recommending the loan of T. R. Woodford as Agent of the Book Concern, was read and adopted. (Report G.)

Dr. McIlwain, Agent of the Tract Society and Dr. Wideman of the Bible Society, addressed the Conference.

T. R. Woodford, the newly-elected Agent of the Book Concern, addressed the conference in the interest of his office.

The Committee on Statistics submitted a partial report giving the number of church members, and was adopted. (See Statistical Table).

The time for adjournment was extended and S. B. Southern, president of the faculty, presented the names of B. A. Bryan, G. L. Humphreys, J. H. Linsinger and E. R. Parsons for admission into the conference on trial. The candidates presented themselves at the bar of the conference and were received by the president.

A supplemental report of the Pulpit Supply Committee was read by J. W. Kirk and adopted.

The conference thereupon adjourned with the benediction by J. L. Mills.

#### Afternoon

The afternoon session began at 2:00 o'clock with the president in the chair.

H. S. Books offered a resolution with reference to pastors depositing reports at the regular time. The resolution was adopted. (Resolution D.)

The report of Our Church Home was read by the secretary. Dr. J. W. Hering addressed the conference with reference to the excellent management of the home. On motion the report was adopted. (Report Y.)

T. H. Lewis, President of Western Maryland College, submitted his report as president of that institution. (See Report N.) On motion the report was referred to the Committee on Education. On a further

motion by W. S. Phillips the order of the day immediately following the session of the Electoral College was fixed for hearing Dr. Lewis with reference to his report.

The conference at this point gave way to the Electoral College.

With the resumption of conference business, G. H. Stocksdale, G. R. Hodge and J. J. Murray were excused from the conference session until Monday.

The order of the day. T. H. Lewis addressed the conference on behalf of the college.

The report of the Maryland Branch W. F. M. S. was read by the secretary (See Report O) and referred to the Committee on Missions.

An invitation from the ladies of the Conference Guild to a reception to be given the president at his home Thursday evening April 14th was read and on motion was accepted by the conference.

Rev. J. C. Berline, the Secretary of the Board of Ministerial Education, was introduced and an order of the day fixed for 11:00 a. m., Saturday, to hear his address.

On motion of B. P. Truitt the conference took a recess of ten minutes, at the expiration of which the pre-conference service began.

At five o'clock conference adjourned with benediction by H. C. Cushing.

#### FOURTH DAY - Saturday

The morning prayer service was conducted by D. M. Dibble.

The president called the conference to order at 9:40 o'clock. The roll call was dispensed with. The minutes were read and approved.

The name of the alternate from Williamsport was substituted for the delegate. The delegate from Fairfax having suffered an accident, the secretary was instructed to extend to him the sympathy of the conference and the name of the alternate was substituted on the roll.

The roll of committees was called.

The Fenwick Island Camp-meeting Committee submitted its report stating the existence of favorable conditions. The report was adopted. (Report X.)

Papers were referred to the Faculty of Instruction, and to the Committee on Church Extension.

A letter from G. D. Edmondston was read and his request for the continuance of his relation as a supernumerary was granted.

The resolution fixing the time of the next annual conference for the first Wednesday in April, 1905, was taken from the table and adopted. (Resolution 5.)

The invitation from the Salisbury Church for the next annual conference was also taken from the table. The invitation was accepted.



FIFTH DAY—Sunday<sup>2</sup>

The Sunday morning services were conducted by the President of the Conference, F. T. Little. Hymn 465, "Draw near, O Son of God," was sung and the president led in prayer. The lesson was read by W. S. Phillips from II. Timothy 4. Then, according to appointment, R. S. Rowe preached the ordination sermon from II. Timothy 4:2, "Preach the word." After the sermon the secretary called the names of the candidates for ordination, Thomas Wheeler, George Edwin Brown, George J. Hooker, C. Roscoe Stunsburg, and Philip Waxter Crosby, and presented them to the president. J. W. Kirk read the Scriptures and the Secretary of the Conference conducted the exaltation. R. S. Rowe offered prayer, whereupon the candidates received the order of elder by the laying on of the hands of the president, S. B. Southland, R. S. Rowe, J. W. Kirk and W. S. Phillips. After their ordination they were each presented with a copy of the Holy Scripture. The president then led in prayer and read the "Advice to the ordained." The benediction was pronounced by R. S. Rowe.

The Lord's Supper was celebrated in the afternoon, being in charge of the president. The Dead Roll was read by J. M. Sheridan and the names of R. J. Drinkhouse, A. D. Melvin and H. S. Leas were eulogized by members of the respective obituary committees and other friends.

In the evening the sermon was preached by T. H. Lewis.

<sup>2</sup>NOTE—The journal of the fifth day, Sunday, was inadvertently not read before the conference. But with the approval of the president, it is inserted in the usual order.

W. S. PHILLIPS, Secretary.

## SIXTH DAY—Monday

The morning devotional exercises were conducted by Clayborne Phillips.

The conference was called to order at 9:30 a. m. by President Little. The minutes were read and approved.

A partial report of the Committee on Superannuates, recommending an assessment of \$4500 to be laid on the district, was submitted and laid on the table for twenty-four hours.

The conference at this point gave way to the session of the Electoral College.

The list of the committees was called and reports called for.

The report of the Committee on Superannuates was submitted and laid on the table for twenty-four hours.

The report of the Committee on Transportation, stating that reduced rates had been secured with the transportation companies, was read and adopted. (Report S)

A communication from the Anti-Saloon League of Maryland requesting the appointment of three members of this body to serve on the executive committee of the league, was read and referred to the Committee on Temperance. The Committee on Temperance submitted its report which was held on the table until the committee could report on the communication from the Anti-Saloon League.

The Committee on the President's Report submitted its report, endorsing the recommendations of the president with reference to additions to the manual. The report of the committee was adopted. (See Report A).

The Special Committee on the Publication of the Conference Sermon stated that about 800 copies of the sermon would be published in pamphlet form.

The report of the Committee on Missions was read by the secretary. W. R. Graham moved an amendment to strike out the item referring to the Home Mission assessment and inserting the amount of \$2000 instead of \$2500 as the assessment for Home Missions. W. J. Neespor offered a substitute that the report be recommitted so as to read \$3000 instead of \$2500. T. H. Lewis offered a resolution as a substitute for the whole, reading that the extra \$500 be not apportioned but that pastors be requested to raise the amount. Time was extended ten minutes. The substitute for the whole was lost. The substitute was lost. The amendment was then taken up. J. M. Sheridan offered an amendment to the amendment that the assessment be \$2100. The amendment was lost. The original amendment was again taken up. The time was extended long enough for a vote. The amendment was adopted and the report as amended was adopted. (Report O).

The conference then took a recess. The benediction was pronounced by J. B. Jones.



## Afternoon

The conference began its afternoon session with the president in the chair, who called T. H. Lewis to the chair.

C. J. Hooker, collector of dues for the Superannuate Fund reported the collection of \$100.50. The report was adopted and the committee discharged.

The Foreign Mission Seward reported that \$7197 had been contributed by the district to Foreign Missions during the year. The report was adopted (See Report O).

Rev. J. H. Brungas was introduced to the conference.

The conference on motion gave way to a meeting of the Illicit College.

With the resumption of business, the conference heard the report of the Trustees of the Maryland Annual Conference. The report was adopted. (Report Z).

J. D. Kinzer made a motion that the secretary cast the ballot of the election of F. T. Little, J. M. Gill, J. H. Roberts and C. A. Benjamin to succeed the members of the board whose terms expire with this conference. There was objection by P. T. Togg and the conference proceeded to ballot. Tellers were appointed and were permitted to retire and count the ballot.

The report of the Special Committee on the employment of a conference evangelist was in the negative. The report was adopted (Report BH).

The Committee on Literature submitted its report of gratification in the excellent condition of our publishing interests. The report was adopted. (Report O).

The Committee on Statistics submitted its report which was adopted (See Tables).

At this point the conference gave way for an offering for a ministerialy transferred to the list of superannuates.

The Illicit College again in session.

The time was, on motion, extended for thirty minutes.

The tellers on the election of Trustees of the Maryland Annual Conference reported that there was no election.

On motion of J. D. Kinzer, the conference agreed to hold an evening session at 7:30 o'clock, for the purpose of hearing the report of the Illicit College.

W. M. Stuyver moved that the secretary cast the ballot of the conference for F. T. Little, S. J. Smith, J. H. Roberts and C. A. Benjamin as trustees of the Maryland Annual Conference. The motion prevailed and the secretary cast the ballot.

The chairman of the Christian Endeavor Committee submitted his report. The recommendations were to the effect that the C. E. societies be requested to raise \$1000 this year for missions and that a religious

service be held in October for that purpose. The report was adopted. (Report K).

The delegates from Delmar and Mariela were excused from further attendance.

The report of the Committee on Temperance was taken from the table with an additional item recommending the granting of the request of the Anti-Saloon League. J. L. Strangh offered an amendment commending Attorney Owens for his work in behalf of the temperance cause. The amendment was adopted and the report as amended was adopted. (Report I).

The time was extended five minutes.

J. W. Kirk offered a resolution authorizing the secretary to communicate with the Senators and Representatives of Maryland in Congress requesting them to vote for the Hepburn-Dooliver bill now before that body. The resolution was adopted. (Resolution B).

The conference at this juncture gave way to the pentecostal service, which was addressed by Miss Anna L. Forest and Rev. U. G. Murphy.

## Evening

At 7:30 o'clock, the president called the conference to order and immediately gave place to the Electoral College. Immediately thereafter conference adjourned.

## SEVENTH DAY—Tuesday

R. L. Shipley conducted morning worship.

At 9:30 o'clock the president called the conference to order. The roll was not called and the minutes were read, corrected and approved.

The conference gave way to the Illicit College.

The president resumed the chair. The order of the day was suspended. T. H. Lewis submitted a resolution with reference to the Home Mission assessment, that a note be appended to the table of assessments requesting pastors to raise the extra \$500 by an increase of 20% of the regular Home Mission assessment. C. F. Nowlin offered an amendment that the conference reconsider the action of yesterday fixing the assessment at \$2000. The Illicit College convened at this point, after which the vote was taken on the reconsideration and the amendment obtained. G. W. Haddaway made a motion that the assessment be \$2500. J. M. Sheridan offered an amendment substituting \$2100. There was much discussion and the previous question was called for. The amendment was lost and on a further motion the Home Mission assessment was fixed at \$2800.

The conference again gave place to the Electoral College. The time was extended. E. A. Warfield requested that the conference leave him without an appointment for this year and so the request was granted.

H. L. Elderidge offered a resolution with reference to the report of the special committee on the paper submitted by the Fraternal Conference from the Baltimore Conference M. E. Church, that a copy be sent to the Baltimore Conference Committee and another be handed to representatives to the General Conference of this church. The resolution was adopted. (Resolution 10).

The resolution offered by J. H. S. Ewell requesting the General Conference through the Maryland representatives to add paper to the church register for the enrollment of subscribers to the church papers was not adopted.

H. L. Schlincke offered a resolution that a committee of three appointed who shall revise the pastor's personal report blank and report back next conference. The resolution was adopted. (Resolution 11).

S. B. Southerland offered a resolution respecting church order which was made the order of the day for the afternoon of Tuesday night 6 o'clock.

The conference then took a recess and the benediction was pronounced by H. L. Elderidge.

#### Afternoon

The conference convened at 2:00 p. m. with the presiding at the chair, who immediately called W. M. Strayer to preside.

The report of W. N. Sherwood, Conference Steward, was read and adopted. (See Financial Tables).

The Electoral College was again given place.

The conference resumed business with J. D. Kinzer in the chair. The report of the Committee on Education was read, naming J. D. Elderidge as our educational institutions, recommending the lease of the seminary at the seminary and fixing the assessment on the district at \$1800. The report was adopted. (Report N).

The Committee on Fraternal Relations submitted its report, granting a continuance of the relation of T. P. Revelle, J. S. Boxers and P. J. the loan of another minister. The report was adopted as a whole. (Report L).

A resolution was offered by J. W. Kirk to the purport that the secretary communicate with the Senators of Maryland, requesting their assent to the seat of Read Smoot, Senator-elect from Utah, be vacant. The resolution was adopted on a rising vote. (Resolution 12).

The report of the Committee on Sunday Schools was read and adopted.

The Steward for Our Church Home, L. A. Bennett, submitted his report, showing an increase of contributions over last year. The report was adopted. (See Report V).

The order of the day for three o'clock having arrived, the conference took up the paper submitted by S. B. Southerland. T. H. Lewis submitted a resolution to the effect that it is inexpedient to discuss the matter of church union at this time and that the paper of S. B. Southerland be published in the minutes with this explanation. The resolution of T. H. Lewis was adopted. (Resolution 13).

A paper signed by Avery Donovan suggesting the establishment of a Methodist Protestant Church in Berlin, Md., was read and referred to the Committee on Church Enterprises.

The report of the Steward of the Church Extension Fund was read and adopted. (See Report E).

The papers of the Superannuate Committee were taken from the table, read, and, without discussion, adopted. (Report F).

The secretary made a motion that the president be requested to read his list of appointments at 9:00 o'clock this evening. The motion prevailed.

The report of the Board of Finance was read and the item referring to the enlargement of the type in the table was stricken out. The report as amended was adopted. (Report G).

The Committee on Church Extension submitted its report which on motion was adopted as a whole. (Report H).

The secretary of the Committee on Official Character read the report of that committee. R. S. Rowe moved that the rule in the Manual declaring reports defective that did not report assessments paid in full be stricken out. (Resolution 15). The motion prevailed and the report was adopted. (Report M).

The resolution offered by N. O. Gibson requesting the Maryland Bible Society to give full credit to this conference for the amounts paid to it was adopted. (Resolution 14).

W. S. Phillips submitted a resolution to the effect that the last section of Rule 30 of the Manual, with reference to calling pastors before the Committee on Official Character whose reports were defective, be stricken out. J. M. Sheridan was called to the chair. The resolution was adopted and J. D. Kinzer again presided. (Resolution 16).

The time was extended and at the suggestion of W. S. Phillips an offering was taken to defray the expenses of the conference choir books.

J. H. S. Ewell moved that evening session of the conference begin at 7:30 o'clock. The motion prevailed as did also a further motion that the president appoint ushers for the evening session.

Henry Shafer, collector for the sexton, reported the collection of \$25.04. The report was accepted and the collector was discharged.

On motion the conference adjourned with the benediction by F. T. Tagg.

## Evening

The conference was called to order at 7:30 o'clock by the secretary, J. D. Kinzer presiding on a motion of J. S. Bowers.

A resolution with reference to the expenses of the General Conference representatives was offered by J. L. Mills and adopted. (Resolution L).

The report of the Committee on Benevolent Agencies was read and on motion was recommitted for some corrections. After which, on motion, the report was adopted. (Report K).

The Committee on Church Enterprise reported, recommending the establishment of a church in Berlin, Md., under the supervision of the pastor of Snow Hill. The report was adopted. (Report T).

A report of the Faculty recommending the passing and licensing of students was submitted and adopted. (Report D).

F. C. Klein offered a resolution that the president be authorized to regularly appoint a conference postmaster and the usual collectors. The resolution was adopted. (Resolution 18).

The report of the special committee to confer with the New Jersey conference on mission work in Philadelphia was read. A motion was made that the committee be continued as the president of the conference and the pastor of St. Luke's. The motion prevailed and the report was adopted. (Report AA).

W. M. Strayer was called to the chair. The recommendation of the Committee on Official Character that an hour be set apart each conference for the discussion of the best means of raising the conference benevolences was called for. There was discussion of the question, the president of the conference in the meanwhile resuming the chair.

The secretary announced the special committees appointed by the president as ordered by the conference. (See List).

F. T. Tagg made a motion that W. M. Poisal be granted a superannuation relation and the request was granted.

The minutes of the day were read and approved.

The president resumed the chair, and after some appropriate remarks read the plan of appointments. (See Report A).

On motion, the conference adjourned with the benediction by the president.

W. S. PHILLIPS,  
Secretary.

Approved:  
F. T. LITTLE, President.

## REPORTS

## REPORT A

## The President

## PRESIDENT'S REPORT

## To the Maryland Annual Conference:

## DEAR BROTHERS:—

Another year of our denominational history completes itself as we gather in this our seventy-sixth annual conference assembly. We give thanks unto God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ that we are thus permitted to meet again, and for all the mercies and loving kindnesses with which the year has been crowned. But amid our smiles and joys and happy sensations we are called again under the shadow where tears and sighs mingle for those who will meet with us no more in the body, and sadly we read the word,

## DEATHS.

Three of our beloved ministerial brethren have passed away during the year. Rev. Edward Jacob Drinkhouse, M.D., D.D., died April 19th, 1903. He was our preacher, churchman, editor and historian, and, after fifty-three years of faithful toil and abiding service in the conference, he passed through the rent-veil of the flesh into the Most Holy Place of life and love and peace.

Rev. Hanswood Spencer Lutz, died December 2nd, 1902. Brother Lutz was young, earnest, an acceptable preacher and indefatigable worker. After a little less than five years of service among us he dropped the silver trumpet and grasped the crown as he passed into the upper mansion of the Father's house.

Rev. Adolphus David Melvin, D.D., died February 13th, 1904. He was a logical preacher, a loved pastor and successful evangelist. After thirty-two years of valuable service in the itinerancy, during five of which he was our honored president, weary and sore with the harness he bore, he just languished into life and rest and home in Heaven.

One other name must be mentioned in this connection. I have left it until the last because it represented a sweet, young wife of one of the probationary members of the conference. Mrs. Lydia Reop Price, wife of Rev. H. H. Price, died July 18th, 1903. Sister Price was gentle, winsome, consecrated. She was of "that classic staidness of soul", and laid all her wealth, with all her love, at Jesus' feet, then passed on to see the "King in His beauty" in the far away land of joy. Ordinary committees were appointed in each case under the rule.

Since this report was completed another lovely young wife of one of our ministerial members has passed away to the rest that remaineth. We buried her body from this church only day before yesterday. Mrs. Maggie Ollie Dickey, wife of Rev. J. M. Dickey, died April 1st, 1931. After a long siege of suffering her poor tired frame dropped back into earth, whence it came, and his blessed spirit went into the enjoyment of life in its full power and sweetest fragrance, and is forever with the Lord. An obituary service will be appointed in due time.

#### CHANGES

Soon after adjournment of conference last spring, Brother H. C. Staley, who had been assigned to Christ Church, Baltimore, sought to be released from his pastoral charge. After due consideration, and for reasons deemed sufficient, he was released on May 6th, 1931, and has since then been actively engaged as a layman in North Baltimore Church. May 19th, 1931, with the consent of the church, Rev. W. N. Sherwood was released from the pastorate of St. John's (Canton), and on the same day was appointed pastor of Christ Church.

May 20th, 1931, by consent of all concerned, Rev. Chyborne Phillips was released from the pastorate of Montgomery Circuit, and assigned to St. John's Church (Canton).

June 6th, 1931, Rev. Benjamin A. Byson, a probationary member of the North Illinois Annual Conference, bearing duly-signed official papers from the president of that conference, was appointed to fill the vacancy on Montgomery Circuit.

June 29th, 1931, Rev. Elmer Simpson was given papers of withdrawal from the denomination. The vacancy thus occasioned on Deer Park Circuit has been most acceptably filled by Brother W. P. Roberts, during school vacation, and since by Brother A. T. Evans, both seminary students.

August 25th, 1931, at his own request, and by consent of the charge, Rev. H. H. Price was released from Delta Station, and on the same date was given a certificate of probationary membership in the conference, commending him to the Texas Annual Conference of our denomination, where he has since been doing satisfactory work as President of the College of Theology, in connection with the Westminster College at Yokonema, Texas, and as pastor of the church in that town. The Delta work has been supplied in a manner every way satisfactory since October 14th, by Brother John D. Keith, a student at the seminary.

September 4th, 1931, on account of broken health, Rev. H. S. Lens was released from the work on Pelton Circuit. He was almost heart-broken over being obliged to give up his loved employ, and his people were deeply grieved at the loss of a pastor who had inspired them with so much hope for the building up of their work. I regret to report that I have not since been able to supply the charge with a regular pastor.

October 14th, 1931, upon petition signed by a large majority of the small membership of Hollywood Church, I released Rev. J. E. Wildridge, who had been supplying the week, and on the same day appointed Rev. Frank M. Clift as pastoral supply to serve the church in connection with Annelis Circuit.

#### UNSHEPHERDED CHARGE.

The nine places left to be supplied at the last conference have been served by regularly appointed pastors, with a single exception, during the entire year. The exception is Campbell. Brother N. C. Clough, a seminary student, served this charge from May, 1930, to January, 1931, and did excellent work. After the Christmas holidays he returned to school, and the charge has been without a pastor since that time.

Burgreen has been efficiently served by Brother G. L. Humphreys of the master class of the seminary.

May 27th, 1931, Rev. George F. Norris, being duly recommended by the Quarterly Conference of Istinyah Church, Baltimore, was appointed to Fox Hill, and proved himself well adapted to the work at that place. He is present, seeking admission to the conference on trial.

Lewisston has been in charge of Brother J. Ernest Littinger, a senior seminary student, and the condition of the circuit attests the efficiency of his work there.

Rev. G. E. Brown, who was left without an appointment at his own request by the last conference, served Marley until October 27th, 1931, when at his request, and by consent of the circuit, he was released, and Brother W. P. Roberts of the seminary was placed in charge of the work.

April 21st, 1931, Rev. C. E. Roberts, an unsuitably minister of Star Church, Baltimore, being duly recommended by the Quarterly Conference of said church, was appointed pastor of Nichols Memorial Circuit. He has served the charge with great acceptability and is present as a candidate for admission to membership in the conference.

Putapoco was supplied a part of the year by Rev. C. H. Littleton. Since he discontinued his services, Brother W. S. Simon, of Broadway Church, has been supplying the charge in connection with Jones Memorial Church.

Bowlingdale was supplied during the school vacation by Brother C. M. Eldredge, a student of Western Maryland College. Since October 27th, Brother G. R. Brown has been in charge of the work there.

Williamport has been served all the year by Brother H. E. Parsons, of the seminary.

#### PRESIDENT'S PARSONAGE.

The house purchased last year has proven admirably adapted to the purpose for which it is intended. After another year's experience with it as a place of residence I most heartily repeat and emphasize the remarks of my report of last year, "It is every way suitable, and a credit to the conference and the denomination."

The Agent of the President's Parsonage has been courteous, thoughtful and painstaking in the management of the interest committed to him, and his report will show all correct expenses met, with provisions made for a reasonable payment on the debt.

The Conference Fund has been able to add a few necessary articles to the furnishing of the house besides paying the insurance on the entire furniture.

It seems important to keep the church advised that no part of the payments on investment for pensioner's salary can be used for keeping the facilities of the parsonage in proper condition, and that the Guild extra solely financed and needs in this particular is may arise from time to time.

#### IRREVOLUNT AGENTS.

Mr. T. A. Rice, the true friend of all good work and workers, has received his annual report to general agents, and the personal benevolent interest of the conference and denomination during the year.

The Epse Craft and Jefferson Development Societies, and the St. John's Road of Beesdam have also received their ready aid to our committees and our prizes through the year. To all of these I hope again express the grateful appreciation of the conference for their helpful assistance in its closely appointed work.

The Maryland Bible Society and the Maryland Tract Society continued their effective work during the year until the disastrous fire of February 14 of the present calendar year, in Baltimore City. Since then each society in sufficient loss of income, resulting in temporary abandonment of its work. The sufficient loss of income, resulting in temporary abandonment of its work. The respective managements, however, have the situation well in hand, and can be depended upon to husband the remaining resources of the organizations and guide them safely through their present difficulties. I mention these societies in my report for the reason that our people throughout Maryland make annual contributions for the funds of each through the conference.

#### SUGGESTIONS.

Dear persons have shown their appreciation of our work in the form of bequests during the conference year.

Mr. M. A. Zillioxer, a somewhat making tenets generous in the offer members of the conference, left by will \$200 each to St. Paul's Baltimore Church, the Supremacy Fund Society and the Maryland Branch Women's Foreign Missionary Society. The bequest was inherited by E. J. Dinkhouse bequeathed \$1,000 to the Maryland Educational Endowment Society, the income to be used in the education of young men for the ministry of our church, and all the residue of his estate, amounting (gross-estate estimate included) is \$24,000, to the Trustees of the Maryland Annual Conference, with specific directions for the use of the income herefrom. Mrs. E. J. Dinkhouse left a gross-estate of \$60 per year on property No. 1411 Melberry Street, Baltimore, Md., to Epse Craft Church in Carroll County, making the capitalized value of the gift \$1,000, and our late esteemed Brother Glenn Spence, of Newark, N. J., gave \$200 each to Western Maryland College and the Board of Ministerial Education.

These gifts total up the splendid sum of \$37,500.00, and show that none of our people at least are coming to recognize some fully the duty of stewardship in the use of their money in the spread of the Gospel through our own dearer nation. These devoted friends, though dead, yet speak blessedly in the words which follow them.

#### REPORTS

##### BOOK-ROOM BUILDING.

The Joint Committee of the Book Directory and the Conference, after diligent investigation and consideration of the subject, purchased 100,000 of the one-story property No. 210 South Charles Street, Baltimore, Md., for the use of the Book Directory, in accordance with the action of the conference at its session in Calfield, Md., in 1906. The directory moved its effects into the building in July last, and the publishing interests of the denomination in Baltimore City, together with the head-quarters of the church in the Maryland Conference, are thus, for the first time in the history of the church, permanently established in our own property.

The facilities in all that could be desired, and the business results of the year by the directory's report, ending with February 29th, 1907, (as will be published in our next issue) are most encouraging.

Undoubtedly we have reached a new era in the history of the Baltimore Book Concern and Periodicals. Surely there can no longer be even the shadow of a reason for any of our people withholding their fullest patronage from our own book concerns, with every consideration of denominational progress and welfare requires the more general and constantly increasing circulation of the property's official literature. The conference and the church must stand by the official directory, its officer and its agent, heartily co-operating with them in efforts to enlarge the book business and increase the circulation of the official periodicals, if the new departure is to meet with the success which its merits deserve.

##### CHRISTIAN EDUCATION.

There have been reported to me one hundred and seventy young people's societies in the District. Included in this number are the junior sections. The combined membership of these societies is six thousand, four hundred and sixty-eight. This membership represents a host of young people considerable in numbers, well educated with gifts, graces and abilities, and with opportunities to be used in spreading the kingdom of our Lord Jesus Christ, well in the field to inspire them to the highest degree of activity, association and service. That this host is responding to its great possibilities in the aggressive work of the conference I think we are well justified in claiming, but that it is a helping force in our work I think any one capable of judgment will cheerfully concede.

In the days, shall I not say the privilege, of the pastor to make the local society what it ought to be, and lead it in doing what it ought to do in advancing the interests of the local church. All our custom, I fear, do not take the trouble to do this. It is also the duty and ought to be the pleasure of the presbytery and other officers of the respective local societies to heartily cooperate with the pastor in bringing the society into the most cordial and helpful relations with the pastor and the entire work of the church. I fear all the relations with the pastor and the entire work of the church. I fear all the relations with the pastor and the entire work of the church.

Without this faithful, loyal working together it is impossible to achieve the best results in the work of the society or the church. Where it obtains,

in the spirit of those who are willing to see whether or not Providence has anything in the movement for us, which at the same time we shall meet each other as we may gather in shaping conclusions in the hope and with the purpose of getting some of our own wise, level-headed, thoroughly tested, disinterested men in that council, if it be formed, men who can be trusted by the church anywhere, everywhere and all the time. We have such. Men who possess the love of Methodist Pietism in them, who glorify the Methodist profession as mentioned by New Testament doctrine and usage, who stand always for principle rather than polity, and who care more for the integrity of the nation and the self-respect of the Association than for the big game of some other organization. With men of this stamp in the council, any basis of union agreed upon will be fair and honorable to us as to the other bodies involved, and if we make no appeal upon they will lead us out of the council with equal honor, and we will thus proceed in our presidential wisdom "as with equal honor, and we will thus proceed in the behalf of peace." I write all this showing us how the work of the spirit in the hearts of men, and this, brethren, while in my heart I desire to remain where I am, and what I am, a few American Methodist Protestant preachers, with an organized dissemination of the same work in which to do my speaking and my work with the Master of small bits we come we labor to receive my reward.

WORTH OF THE CHURCH.

Western Maryland College still grows in the estimation of the people as a worthy, enterprising, progressive educational institution, whose moral and religious influence is felt in many ways. Since it has been given its rightful place as one of the valuable working forces of the conference to which our people, especially our young people, make annual contributions, its friends here have endeavored to give it hearty recognition before the churches and Sunday schools in connection with the collection for the endowment fund. The student roll reports that of last year, and it is sincerely hoped the excellent committee has been able to give it hearty recognition before the churches and Sunday schools in connection with the collection for the endowment fund. It has the largest number of graduates now enrolled of any year under the present Administration, and it being students now enrolled of any year under the present Administration, and it being the majority contribution work in training young men for the ministry of the church. The provisions of their institutions have been prompt and hearty in rendering aid to the president of the conference in carrying out plans for the advancement of the work contemplated in this being the year. Especially has Dr. H. D. Lyford, of the secretary, been helpful in providing supplies for urgent pupils from time to time. I take pleasure in recording my grateful appreciation of the help given by these brethren. Full details of the work of such men will be given in its report to the conference.

Our Church Home management has again demonstrated its ability to make the ready oblation contributed to its care most valuable on a surprising small amount. The churches are giving, some of them slowly, perhaps, but all of them surely, I believe, to give a more prompt and liberal response to the claims of this tender, pathetic, beautiful charity of the conference. I thank for the

THE SPIRIT OF THE CONFERENCE

The spirit of the conference is the spirit of the church, and the spirit of the church is the spirit of the people. It is the spirit of the people that makes the church what it is, and it is the spirit of the church that makes the conference what it is. It is the spirit of the people that makes the church what it is, and it is the spirit of the church that makes the conference what it is.

I suppose that proposition of the conference is reported to me, and I think it is not good to give position to persons who are not properly trained for it, and I think it is not good to give position to persons who are not properly trained for it, and I think it is not good to give position to persons who are not properly trained for it.

The question is not before the church in the form I think all of us would prefer to have it. It is in the form of definite propositions of union, but simply as a proposal to the respective general bodies of the three denominations concerned in view of the formation of a General Council. This council shall include representatives, representatives, conditions, and, if a basis of union can be agreed upon by the council, it shall be submitted to the respective general bodies for ratification. The only question then before the church at this time is, Shall we agree to have this proposed General Council? This question the General Conference will vote. Why must we answer for the Methodist Protestant Church? The annual conference cannot answer it. The must the annual conference do this in connection with the resolutions designed to instruct the representatives how they shall vote on the question in the General Conference. Would it be better to have the Methodist Conference vote on that? The conference is not competent to decide that for itself without recommendation or even suggestion from us. We must in all good conscience write myself down as dissenting from any action of the conference at this time. I think my radical action on either side of the question at this stage of the case is by all means to be avoided. I believe this matter for us to act cooperatively, to go forward carefully, peacefully



the message the brethren have given their people from Sabbath to Sabbath. It is still to be emphasized, however, in this connection, that excellent preaching without pastoral visiting does not and cannot make a strong, growing church, while already a few churches begin to ask for pastors who do not spend any twelfth of the year in vacation absence from their fields of labor.

I cannot close this report on the state of the church without referring again to the church paper. It is a source of deep regret that while there have been reported more than two thousand conversions and an equal number of accessions to our membership during the year the report of the Book Directory will show there has not been any appreciable increase in the number of subscribers to the "Methodist Protestant". This certainly ought not to be the case. No one should be allowed to remain long in the membership of the church without having the claims of the church paper presented upon him. It should be the aim and effort of every pastor to have a copy of the church discipline in his weekly visit of the church paper in the home of every member of his charge. The aim and every interest of the church, to promote peace, progress and prosperity throughout and throughout the length and breadth of the Christian Kingdom in every local church and throughout the length and breadth of the entire denomination, and supplement every effort for the spread of the Kingdom of Jesus Christ do not rest for the "Methodist Protestant". It is the denomination's official voice, the church's weekly exponent, the Gospel's true defender, or it is a misnomer. Care for it? Why, we love it, and many of our pastors do most faithfully strive to circulate it among their people. We all ought to do that, and keep on doing it until we make a decided increase in the number of subscribers on every church.

In presenting my work I have not spared myself in time, toil, travel or expense. I have visited every charge in the District, except Abriet Memorial, pastor and agent to defer the visit on account of the Christian Endeavor conference which was in session on the day published for the visit. Some charges have been visited several times during the year.

#### RECOMMENDATION.

1. I recommend that paragraphs 1 and 2 of the report of "Special Committee on President's Parsonage Committee", on page 48 of minutes of 1935, and the Agent of the President's Parsonage in managing the per centage of paid three-fourth by the agent.

2. I recommended that the president's parsonage be placed in our financial tables at a valuation of \$22,000, and that our book room building be placed in the same tables at a valuation of \$22,000. These properties belong to the conference and should be properly accounted for in our property statistics.

3. I recommended that Rule XXVII, in regard to the amount of striking out and adding after the word conference, so that it will read, "And so Sunday

afternoon during the session, immediately following the statement of the Lord's Supper, occasional services for the deceased shall be observed"; and that Rule XXVIII be so amended as to read, "On Sunday afternoon the Sacrament of the Lord's Supper shall be administered".

With gratitude to Almighty God for the preservation of my life and health, and of that of my family, and to my brethren and sisters of the ministry and laity for their great kindness to me during the year. I am, Very truly yours,

E. T. LITTON, President.

#### OF THE COMMITTEE ON PRESIDENT'S REPORT

1st. Our president has been in labor more abundant and acceptable during the year now past; his complete and convincing report indicates a healthful growth in our college and academy, and an improvement in the material and spiritual interests along all the lines of the work of many of our charges, as evidenced by reports along all the lines of the work of our new ordained brethren and our active members, who have thus set an example worthy of imitation by all the surviving. It comes to us that the time is now ripe and most opportune for the endorsement of our college and the theological seminary, the discharge of a debt upon the conference parsonage, the placing of our book concern upon a debt upon the conference parsonage, the placing of our book concern upon a debt upon the conference parsonage, the placing of our book concern upon a debt upon the conference parsonage, the placing of our book concern upon a debt upon the conference parsonage.

2nd. It is a gratification to know that Mrs. T. A. Reed, The Pipe Creek and Jefferson Independent Societies, and the St. John's Board of Benevolence have endorsed their very helpful appropriations in aid of our pastors, churches and societies. Their benefactions are greatly appreciated; the benefactors deserve and are hereby tendered our kindest thanks.

3rd. We commend the wise action of the "Joint Committees of the Book Directory and the Conference" in the purchase of the five-plate property No. 101 St. Charles St., at such a comparatively moderate price. It guidelines our hearts to know that we are now in possession of such an excellent property, so well adapted to our purpose and needs in all our work. Now let all the people supplement the good work of the conference by an increased effort to secure subscribers to the "Methodist Protestant", and in returning of the same, permit us our own book concern.

4th. We suggest the adoption of the recommendations of the President to wit:

Recommendation 1. That paragraphs 1 and 2 of the report of the "Special Committee on President's Parsonage Committee" (Minutes of 1935, page 48) be Committee on President's Parsonage, in the purchase of the five-plate property published in the Minutes of the standing rule for the guidance of the per centage paid from the president's parsonage in the agent, and the respective expenses to be paid from the president's salary to the agent, and the respective expenses



to be paid therefor by the agent. These paragraphs are as follows: Paragraph 1. "That the conference endorse the action of the committee in the purchase of the property, No. 1429 Lincolnton Ave., Baltimore, as the president's parsonage." Paragraph 2. "That the assessment of \$3,000 be continued under the name of the president's salary to be apportioned as follows: Seventy-five per cent. of the amount raised to be paid to the president as his salary and travelling expenses. Twenty-five per cent. of the amount raised to be paid to the Agent of the President's Parsonage, who shall pay out of this amount, first, the interest on the purchase money; second, the water rent, insurance and needed repairs of the property; third, the reduction of the principal of the loan. This plan seems better than to charge the interest against the president's salary as now, because on the latter plan the president occupying the house the first five years would pay \$1,500.00 while the next recipient would pay in the same length of time only \$400.00, owing to the constant reduction of the principal of the debt. This plan will extinguish the debt in eleven years, while it will take twelve years on the other plan. And when the loan is paid off the conference assessment will simply be reduced to include the president's salary and travelling expenses as before."

Recommendation 2. That the president's parsonage be named in our financial tables at a valuation of \$9,000, and that the book room building also be named in the same tables at a valuation of \$22,000.

Recommendation 3. That the second part of Rule XXVII in the manual be amended by striking out and adding after the word "Conference", (in the sixth line) to make it read: "And on Sunday afternoon during the session, immediately following the Sacrament of the Lord's Supper, memorial services for the deceased shall be observed". And that Rule XXVIII be so amended as to read: "On Sunday afternoon at 2:30 o'clock, the Sacrament of the Lord's Supper shall be administered".

B. S. REVEN, Chairman.

## PLAN OF APPOINTMENTS.

	Year.	Year.
Accomac.....	R. K. Lewis	3
Alexandria.....	H. S. Powell	4
Alton Memorial.....	W. Kirk	4
Amelia.....	F. M. Cliff	2
Baltimore.....	J. L. Stranglin	4
Belford.....	G. R. Donaldson	2
Beltsville.....	Darsey Blake	2
One to be supplied		
Bethesda.....	J. W. Norris	1
Broadway.....	G. Q. Barlow	1
Brockley.....	J. E. Jones	1
Cockebridge.....	J. L. Eldredge	1
Congress Hill.....	R. K. Peters	1
Crosson.....	E. L. Douse, (supply)	1
Chesapeake.....	T. H. Wright	1
Crest.....	J. F. Ryan	1
Centerville.....	B. W. Kladye	3
Chesapeake.....	J. W. Paris	1
Christstown.....	B. L. Greenleaf	4
Chimneycroft.....	R. H. Jones	1
Christ Church.....	Charles Phillips	1
Clayton.....	G. R. McCreedy	2
Clinton Hill.....	C. M. Campbell	4
Coconut.....	A. H. Green	1
Conquest.....	R. A. Harrison	2
Cryfield.....	W. S. Phillips	2
Crofton.....	R. O. Fasing	2
Cumberland.....	W. A. Melvin	3
G. D. Edmonstone, superintendent		4
Deer Creek.....	G. R. Hodge	2
Deer Park.....	A. T. Brown, (supply)	1
Delmar.....	E. S. Fooks	1
Delmar.....	J. B. Keith, (supply)	1
Devon.....	B. P. Truitt	1
Dorchester.....	J. L. Nielsen	1
Dove and Lelaple.....	J. L. Nichols	1
East Baltimore.....	J. D. Kinser	1
Easton.....	W. R. Gibson	1
Edinburg.....	W. H. Litzinger	1
Edwin.....	R. W. Cox	1
Evergreen.....	G. I. Munshy	2
Fairfax.....	P. W. Combs	2
Fairview.....	To be supplied.	
Fawn Grove.....	A. Bennett	1
Federalburg.....	H. F. Wright	3
Feltus.....	W. D. Elliott	1
Finksburg.....	S. F. Cassen	1
First Church.....	A. S. Fosse	3
Fox Hill.....	G. F. Norris	1
Frederick City.....	A. W. Mather	3
Frederick.....	G. J. Hill	4
Georgetown, D. C.....	Y. G. Coase	1
Georgetown, Del.....	R. D. Stone	1
Georgetown Cir.....	To be supplied.	
Greenwood.....	C. E. Dryden	1
Greystone.....	H. B. Nelson	1
Harpers.....	D. W. Austine	1
Harpers Ferry and	F. L. Stevens	2
Middleway.....	G. E. Farring	6
Harrington.....	N. O. Gibson	3
Harveysville.....	J. F. Weston	2
Harwood.....	H. L. Schlichte	2
Hartsville.....	C. H. Zapp	1
Indian River.....	H. M. Maloy	2
Jackson.....	K. C. McKinstry	2
Jesse Memorial.....	To be supplied.	
Keokuk.....	A. A. Echell	3
Kennett.....	A. A. Wright	3
Kennelville.....	R. S. Rowe	3
Keokuk Island.....	F. H. Mallinena	4
Lanesh.....	W. J. Nepler	1
Lansdowne.....	To be supplied.	
Laws.....	T. Lowell	2
Lebanon.....	To be supplied.	
Lisbeth.....	C. K. McCaslin	4
Lisbon.....	S. A. Hobbsell	1
Lynchburg.....	J. H. Stranglin	1
Marbleton.....	E. P. Perry	2
Marlock.....	H. O. Keen	2
Maryle.....	W. F. Roberts, (supply)	1
Millville.....	F. P. Kraus	2
Milton.....	G. W. Hinn	1
Monroeville.....	R. A. Bryan	1
Mount Hope.....	R. M. Dibble	1
Mount Zion.....	J. E. Litzinger	1
Newark, N. J.....	P. C. Klein	4
Newmarket.....	C. M. Callum	2

Years		Years	
Nichols Memorial	C. E. Reister	West Baltimore	J. M. Holman
North Baltimore	F. H. Lewis	Westminster	L. T. Warner
W. M. Pothol, superintendent		West Wiltongton	W. N. Sherrard
North Carolina Avenue A. N. Ward		Wiltongton	M. C. Clough (supply)
David Wilson, superintendent		Wiltongton	G. L. Wolfe
Oak Grove and Prince Georges		Wye	B. P. Bailey
To be supplied			
Oxford	W. M. Strayer		
Parish	W. B. Judd		
Payson Street	G. J. Hasler		
Potomac	W. S. Sims, (supply)		
Pipe Creek	C. E. McCallough		
Planters	G. A. Morris		
Potomac Circuit	F. J. Phillips		
Potomac City	G. M. Clayton		
Potomac	J. W. Gray		
Powder Mill	G. H. Stockdale		
Quantico	J. Bassette, (supply)		
Queen Anne	H. S. Johnson		
Reliance	Thomas Warner		
Rhode Island Avenue	J. M. Gill		
Roadsboro	G. E. Brown		
Salem	F. A. Hailand		
Scholar	S. J. Smith		
Seow Hill	J. W. Ballinger		
South Baltimore	Avery Donora		
Star	E. Little		
Stewartstown	G. W. Holdaway		
St. James	Louis Randall		
St. John's	J. M. Sheridan		
St. Luke's	J. R. Gear, (supply)		
St. Michael's	J. W. Treat		
Sussex	J. M. Dickey		
Towson	C. P. Noville		
Talbot	J. M. Tingling		
Trinity	C. R. Street		
Union	S. B. Trethewey		
Union Bridge	M. W. D. Johnson		
Violetville	R. T. Read		
Walpersville	R. L. Shipley		
Warwick	J. L. Ward		
Waverly	F. S. Cain		
	J. McLain Brown		

## OF AGENT NEW PRESIDENT'S PARSONAGE.

To The Maryland Annual Conference:

Receipts.

1902.		
Dec. 10	Cheque from President F. T. Little	850.00
1903.		
Feb. 23	Cheque from President F. T. Little	75.00
Nov. 14	" " " "	220.46
Feb. 18	" " " "	400.00
Feb. 25	" " " "	125.40
Feb. 25	Bills for Repairs paid by President Little	125.54 8870.00

Disbursements.

1903.		
Mar. 21	Paid T. A. Murray, Treasurer, on acct of 6 months' Interest at 5 per cent. on \$800.00 — \$147.72	125.00
Nov. 23	Paid for taking 2 loads out of sink	8.00
Dec. 10	" 1903 Water Tax	8.00
1904.		
Jan. 25	Paid for 1904 Water Tax	7.68
Feb. 12	Reimbursed Mr. Daniel Bailey for Fire Insurance	25.95
Feb. 12	" " " " " " " "	8.82
Feb. 16	Paid T. A. Murray, Treasurer, 12 months' Interest on \$800.00 at 5 per cent.	285.45
	Bills for Repairs paid by President Little during year	125.54
April 6	Balance to Credit of Parsonage	873.61 8870.00

JAMES R. GILBERT.

In account with old President's Parsonage Fund.

1905.		
April 1	Balance due Parsonage as per Report to Maryland Annual Conference	940.90
May 6	1 months Rent from Rev. A. D. Melvin, due April 15	15.00
June 15	" " " " " " " "	15.00

Amount due from old Parsonage Fund and now subject to the order of proper authority 873.90

JAMES R. GILBERT, Agent.

**REPORT B**  
**Of The Secretary**

*To The Maryland Annual Conference:*

In submitting my financial report, which I recommended referred to the Board of Finance for audit, I would direct your attention to a fact that might be overlooked. That is instead of a cash balance of \$56.90, there is really a deficit of \$31.34, and is explained thus: In accordance with resolution 9 of the last session, one thousand copies of the Historical Record, prepared by Dr. T. R. Lewis, were printed and distributed at a cost of \$291.55. At that time there was not sufficient money in hand to meet this expense by about \$66.00, for which amount the Committee on Publication gave a six-month note. This note will not be due until April 12th, hence must be carried over into next year's expense account. However, if the pastors meet their assessment a usual and so extra expense is incurred, we will be able to pay this and have a small cash balance at the end of this year.

*Receipts.*

1901.		
April 1.	Balance from 1900.	\$97.04
April 6.	From T. R. Woodford, Conference Steward.	217.00
Aug. 21.	From sale of Bibles.	2.00
Oct. 22.	From 6-no., 800.00-note, less discount.	57.15
	Advanced assessments, various charges.	84.00
		<b>\$480.20</b>

*Expenditures.*

	Publishing and distributing 1900 copies Minutes	\$218.33
	Publishing 1900 copies Historical Record.	151.20
	Expenses on conference trunk.	.40
	Postage and stationery.	7.44
	Bible's Credentials.	28.45
	Licenses to Administrators Ordinations.	2.00
	Printing, stationery.	4.78
	1000 large envelopes, metal fasteners.	7.50
	Expenses on same.	.85
		<b>\$430.45</b>
	Amount in hands of secretary.	18.96
		<b>\$449.41</b>
	Due back of Crisfield on note dated Oct. 12, 1900.	\$90.80

April 6, 1901.

W. S. PHILLIPS, Secretary of the Conference.

**REPORT C**  
**Of The Board of Finance**

The Board of Finance respectfully reports as follows:

We have examined the report of the Secretary of the Conference with vouchers, and found it correct.

We have also examined the report of the Agent of the President's Passage and found it correct as far as we were able to examine it, not having the vouchers in our possession. We recommended that the balance in the hands of the agent of the old passage, amounting to \$71.90 be paid on the debt of the new passage.

In accordance with the resolution adopted by the conference, we have assessed \$150 upon the district, for General Conference Expenses, upon the basis of one-eighth of the president's salary, and recommended that pastors be requested to collect this assessment and remit the same to Rev. T. R. Woodford, 316 N. Charles St., Baltimore, Md., not later than May 9, 1901.

We have appraised the various assessments on the charges as ordered by the conference.

J. M. SHERMAN, Chairman.

**REPORT D**  
**Faculty of Instruction**

We report of the third year's class, that J. H. Strongin having been previously ordained, has completed with his promise to pursue the course of study until completed, was given 100 in Hebrew and 100 in Greek, and is passed through the course. That Thomas Wheeler has completed the course of study and is recommended for ordination.

Of the second year's class, we report that E. H. Jones and C. R. Strassburg are passed in the third year; C. R. Strassburg was given 100 in Fisher's Church History, and with E. H. Jones, 100 in DeKalb's History of Methodist Reform; and that H. H. Price having gone to another conference, is, with H. C. Staley, stricken from the list of students.

Of the first year's class, we report that D. M. Deible, Clayborne Phillips and H. L. Shirley were each given 100 in Greek, and 100 in Hebrew, that G. J. Hooker and F. F. Keenan were given 100 in Greek, and with F. H. Crosby are passed to the second year.

Of the preparatory class, we recommend Benjamin A. Bryan, Orlan I. Humphreys, J. Ernest Livingston and Ethel E. Parsons to be received on trial, and are passed into the first year's class.

Rev. C. E. Eckhart, an ordained elder of the United Evangelical Church, who has been laboring on Nichols Memorial Charge for nearly a year, is hereby recommended for reception into the conference on his credentials.

We recommend that George E. Brown be ordained on the condition that he present annually for three years a thesis to the examiner in Theology; that

George J. Hodder and C. R. Smeadberg be ordained, they giving the usual pledge to open conference in person, the copies of study sent to be completed.

We recommended the reelection of E. W. Coady.  
We report that WILLIAM B. BISHOP, Frank M. CHITT and George F. Norris be placed on the first year's class.

We recommended WILLIAM B. BISHOP, Frank M. CHITT and George F. Norris be ordained on 1914.

We recommended that the consent of the Board to administer the Ordination be granted to E. M. Jones, D. M. Dobbie, R. L. Sibley and F. P. Krauss, and that license to administer the ordination be granted to Chas. W. Phillips, J. West Lehigh, H. E. Towson, G. I. Houghsley and H. A. Brack.

At the request of the President of the Conference, we recommended that Frank M. Chitt and George F. Norris be licensed to administer the ordination, and that the license of W. E. Hill be renewed.

S. B. SOUTHERLAND, President.

J. L. KING, Secretary.

#### REPORT OF Church Extension OF THE COMMITTEE

We have given careful attention to all the business referred to your committee and would respectfully submit the following report:

We have read with a great deal of pleasure the report of the Baltimore City Church Extension Society, and are specially gratified at present condition of that Church and the splendid work of the society this year, and recommend that their report be adopted as a whole.

We recommended that \$400.00 be assessed upon the district for church extension for the year 1914-15.

We will likewise also to the following three, selected last year:

That new enterprises appearing at the conference secure the approval of the Committee on Church Extension or their representatives, before making application to the conference.

#### REMARKS.

We recommended that The Holywell Charge be united with Annapolis and be charged to be known as Annapolis Charge.

And that Curtis Church be detached from Georgetown Charge and made separate charge known as Calverton.

And that Libertyville be placed in the hands of the president to be supplied from some adjacent charge.

#### APPROPRIATIONS.

Baltimore (for church improvements at Towson) . . . . . \$ 75.00  
Baltimore . . . . . 16.00  
Baltimore (same as Baltimore at last year) . . . . . 151.00

Clifton Hill (interest on loan) . . . . .	500.00
Christ Church (appropriated last year) . . . . .	226.00
Constitution (on condition they raise \$500) . . . . .	244.00
Crampton (on salary) . . . . .	38.00
Dove Creek (on salary) . . . . .	50.00
Edison (on salary) . . . . .	50.00
Edison (on condition that church be opened to new but recently purchased) . . . . .	75.00
Edwardsburg (on salary) . . . . .	50.00
First Church, Washington (on interest) . . . . .	100.00
Greenwood (on debt, on condition they raise \$500) . . . . .	300.00
Georgetown, D.C. (on condition they raise \$400) . . . . .	400.00
Kenn Memorial (on debt some condition as last year to be read conference section of Board of Managers of the Calverton Church Extension Society) . . . . .	100.00
Lanham (provisional interest not to read) . . . . .	100.00
Montgomery (on salary) . . . . .	50.00
Mt. Vernon (on salary) . . . . .	100.00
North Caroline Ave. (Washington, D.C.) . . . . .	250.00
North Caroline Ave. (on condition that they build a church at Clifton Heights) . . . . .	100.00
Nichols Memorial (on salary) . . . . .	50.00
Providence (on salary) . . . . .	75.00
Pocomoke Church (on salary) . . . . .	100.00
Quantico (on salary) . . . . .	75.00
St. Michael's (on salary) . . . . .	100.00
Seaford (appropriated last year) . . . . .	250.00
Snow Hill (provisional they raise \$750) . . . . .	100.00
West Washington (on interest) . . . . .	100.00
Wye (on condition that they build a new church) . . . . .	100.00

R. P. TERRY, Chairman.

#### OF THE BALTIMORE CITY CHURCH EXTENSION SOCIETY To the Maryland Annual Conference.

#### DEAR BROTHERS:

We come again to submit to you our annual report. It will be recalled that we called your attention to the earnest efforts of the people of Christ Church in the report of last year and solicited constructive to a proposition to assist them in the erection of a church on North Avenue.

You committed this enterprise to the care of this society and we have given the whole matter our careful and constant consideration. We wish to thank you for your cooperation of the members and members of our society. We have always been very much interested in the work of this society.

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of which were to meet our promise to this conference and further the financial interests of Christ Church. Pardon us in saying that Methodist Preachers were never more united, we did they ever work with greater and firmer cooperation for a noble purpose, than our noble people of Richmond during the three days of this successful tenure.

We do not wish when civilization is not in place, but think a mission of peace is one of the beautiful works of our Baltimore churches for the completion of the most necessary financial undertaking in the history of this society's work. Our Treasurer, Mrs. C. A. Desjardin, paid over to the building committee of Christ Church within a few days of \$250, and the total is not yet. On the Sabbath, Sept. 10th, a fund not remarkable enough will be opened for this service on the part of the five four-weekly conferences, the people of Christ Church and this society. We trust this church may continue to receive a generous support of this conference.

We have given careful attention to our church interests at Waverly, and had no change to make in our report of last year concerning the work in this place. We do not, however, think this coming year may be one of great advantage in this place, where so much of our time and money have been spent. We again request that this conference appoint a pastor to Waverly, to see whether he will be able and feasible of this society.

To Mrs. T. A. Ross and the other dear ladies of the Methodist Episcopal Church, whose gifts of money and labor of love have inspired and helped us to succeed, we kindly send our grateful thanks, and to this conference who assists us in, we heartily thank our readiness to co-operate in any work for the extension of our beloved church within the bounds of this great city of Baltimore.

Most respectfully,

JOHN S. BOWMAN, President.

#### OF THE STURGEW

##### Summary.

Amount received on the District	.....	\$175 00
From assessment on the District	.....	\$2425 00
From Annual Dues	.....	\$12 00
		\$2652 00
<i>Paid.</i>		
Last year's debt returned	.....	\$43 96
Expenses in full	.....	5 00
Funds for Distribution on this year's Appropriations	.....	\$2013 04
		\$2056 96
<i>Appropriations for 1900.</i>		
Baltimore, J. I. Straight	.....	\$ 50
Baltimore, R. D. Ross	.....	50
Christ Church, J. S. Bowen	.....	200
Frankford, W. A. Martin	.....	100
Crofton, E. G. Swig	.....	50

Denton, R. F. Trull	.....	75
Luttrell, (Board of Education)	.....	20
Deer, J. E. Ryan	.....	50
Federalburg, H. P. Wright	.....	200
First Church, A. B. Jones	.....	100
Knox Memorial, (Board of Homeys at Baltimore City Ch. Society)	.....	100
Luttrell	.....	20
Lyonsburg, G. Q. Jacobs	.....	250
Milford, J. F. Brown	.....	50
Shurgandy	.....	20
South Carolina Avenue, A. N. Ward	.....	200
Greenfield, G. H. Strickland	.....	20
Greenfield, C. J. Bennett	.....	75
St. Michael's, J. M. Bishop	.....	25
Stanton, J. W. Johnson	.....	200
Stow Hill, Avery Bowen	.....	200
West Washington, J. L. Nichols	.....	100
Wilmington, U. L. Wolfe	.....	100
Wye, R. P. Raley	.....	25
York's Baltimore, R. B. Pucka	.....	200
		\$2,056.96

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Balance due

The foregoing bills do not include Christ Church and the appropriation of \$100, nor that of St. Luke's, Philadelphia, of \$200, as the conditions were set out. The excess, \$7,000.00, is made up on the account of the balance at a per cent. amounting to \$165.00, and payments are made in full.

Respectfully submitted,

W. S. FURCH, Secretary.

#### REPORT F

##### Superannuates

#### OF THE COMMITTEE

Your Committee on Superannuates respectfully submits the following report:

1st. We recommended that \$4,000.00 be assessed on the district for distribution next year.

2nd. We recommended that Rev. W. G. Livingston be transferred to the list of superannuates.

3rd. We recommended the following appropriations for the coming year:

4th. We recommended the following appropriations for the coming year:

Rev. W. A. Crockett.....	290	Mr. Thomas Lee.....	291
Rev. E. C. Cushing.....	290	Mr. F. T. Washington.....	291
Rev. A. D. Dick.....	290	Mr. E. L. Lewis.....	291
Rev. S. Loring.....	290	Mr. J. A. McPherson.....	291
Rev. C. H. Littlewood.....	290	Mr. E. S. Morgan.....	291
Rev. W. J. D. Lott.....	290	Mr. A. D. Nichols.....	291
Rev. J. J. McGuffey.....	290	Mr. C. R. Nicholson.....	291
Rev. S. H. Matthews.....	290	Mr. H. R. Nichols.....	291
Rev. J. G. McNeill.....	290	Mr. E. S. Nichols.....	291
Rev. J. A. Wagner.....	290	Mr. J. P. Reed.....	291
Mr. W. C. Ament.....	290	Mr. John Roberts.....	291
Mr. D. Bennett.....	290	Mr. D. A. Shattuck.....	291
Mr. R. P. Bowen.....	290	Mr. G. J. Smith.....	291
Mr. J. W. Chalmers.....	290	Mr. C. H. Thompson.....	291
Mr. C. T. Condit.....	290	Mr. S. H. Vallentyne.....	291
Mr. H. L. Day.....	290	Mr. A. J. Walker.....	291
Mr. W. I. Dumas.....	290	Mr. R. S. Williams.....	291
Mr. E. E. Elmore.....	290	Mr. L. L. Williams.....	291
Mr. H. E. Gwynne.....	290	Mr. J. H. Williams.....	291
Mr. W. J. Jones.....	290	Mr. J. H. Williams.....	291
Mr. R. E. Knappe.....	290	Mr. J. H. Williams.....	291
Mr. T. J. Lester.....	290	Mr. J. H. Williams.....	291
Mr. S. L. Gilbert.....	290	Mr. J. H. Williams.....	291
Mr. J. L. Kline.....	290	Mr. J. H. Williams.....	291

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W. H. LITTLEWOOD, Chairman.

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##### Receipts

Balance from 1921.....	3.00
1922.....	
Oct. 7 Check from Treasurer.....	5900.00
1924.....	
Feb. 20 Check from Treasurer.....	53.00
Mar. 10 Check from Rev. Thomas Wood.....	25.00
April 7 Check from Treasurer.....	25.00
April 7 Collection from Bluff.....	2813.11
April 7 Actual dues.....	1228.00
April 7 Actual dues.....	183.50
April 7 Actual dues.....	\$4752.21
Oct. 2 Checks to the Treasurer.....	\$2700.00
April 10 Checks to the Treasurer.....	\$675.10
April 10 Expense Corresponding Secretary.....	5.00
April 10 Expense of Secretary.....	5.00
April 10 Check to Treasurer (Treasurer).....	5.00
For account paid, 26.4.	100.50

W. H. LITTLEWOOD, Secretary.

#### REPORTS

##### Literature

#### OF THE COMMISSION

Your Commission on Literature begs leave to submit the following as a partial report:

We were honored with great interest of the action of the Baltimore Book Directory in selecting Rev. T. M. Woodford for the position of Agent of the Book Commission, in the office of the General Conference.

We are pleased that the Director's request for the services of Rev. T. M. Woodford for the position be granted.

Your Commission on Literature respectfully submits the following report:

The report of the Baltimore Book Directory regarding the new publishing information that a centrally-located and thoroughly well-organized project has been projected at 316 N. Charles Street, Baltimore, Md., for our publishing interests. It is an excellent work which represents a new era in our Commission's history.

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## MARYLAND ANNUAL CONFERENCE

the loss saved by reducing salaries. The salaries have been larger at the regular sessions, (making an annual reduction in the salaries specified in the minutes of 1907) because the business for the present time has not justified the decrease in increasing them. The cost of the present expenditures will show a gain of \$4,000.00 over the previous year, and is to be accounted for as follows:

Cash saved in meeting expenses by reduction in salaries for  
the last year (1907 per year) . . . . . \$2,500.00  
profits on business over and above reductions in expenses . . . 1,500.00  
Total gain . . . . . \$4,000.00

The business of the session for the past year has been satisfactory, and we feel sure our publishing interests have never had so bright and encouraging an outlook. We, however, have need of, and greatly request the verbal cooperation of the church, in increasing the circulation of the "Methodist Protestant", in extending our Sunday-school literature and in doubling up in Baltimore, a Book Concern worthy of the Methodist Protestant Church.

We especially ask that a strong and general effort be made to enlarge the subscription list of the "Methodist Protestant". With the first issue of the present calendar year, the paper appeared in its new form and in the new dress, thus adding greatly, as we think, to its appearance and to the convenience of its readers.

There is no agency of our church which so accurately measures the denominational spirit of our people, as the "Methodist Protestant"; the paper that has stood for Methodist Protestantism, through all its history, and which was established and sent out freely by our fathers. We submit that the subscription list of this paper tells whether or not we are, as a church, maintaining the loyalty of the fathers and are true to the denominational spirit which the faithful in their hearts cherish. Let the "Protestant" be sent into every Methodist Pastorate here.

And now that we are surrounded by new and improved conditions, and are working and hoping for larger usefulness to the church, let everything con-  
sistent with our publishing interests be a matter of individual concern with the members and leaders of the Maryland District. This being done, we shall, under the blessing of God, feel the evening of a new and brighter day.  
Respectfully submitted,

F. T. LITTLE, Secretary.

J. G. CLARK, President.

## OF JOINT COMMITTEE TO PURCHASE BOOK CONCERN BUILDING

Your committee, known as the Joint Committee of the Baltimore Book Concern and the Maryland Annual Conference, and which was re-elected at the recent conference in October in 1907, respectfully reports that it has, after it considered the various considerations of the important matter committed to Charles Jones, Baltimore, Md., for the use of the Baltimore Book Concern,

In accordance with the action of the conference, and the said property has been leased to the trustees of the Maryland Annual Conference and is now our property.

J. G. CLARK, Chairman.

F. T. LITTLE, Secretary.

## OF THE AGENT OF THE THIRTYNINTH CENTURY FUND

Dr.

To amount of fund all sold including cash subscriptions, interest and other dividends on bank deposits . . . . . \$15,209.07

Or

By check to Daniel Baker, Treasurer of the "Trustee  
of the Maryland Annual Conference, June 1, 1908 . . . . . \$15,000.00  
By cash paid to F. T. Little, Agent Book Concern . . . . . 150.00  
By cash paid for five years . . . . . 598.84  
To general subscriptions on books . . . . . 507.24

By check to Daniel Baker, Treasurer of the "Trustee

The general subscription list on the books recently engaged a question as to the status of the members of the conference, and you ask, "What about those unpaid pledges?" Well, most of the subscribers have died, most others have not with unexpired term, but not now will do so. For a large number have not assigned any reason for not sending the proceeds of any part of the amounts which they subscribed, but a very few exceptions, three or four years ago. Your agent has no objection to make regarding the matter, but simply refers to the facts to the conference. The agent has no money in hand, having turned it all over to the Treasurer of the Trustees of the Conference at the time of the purchase of the property, and since then to the Agent of the Book Concern to be used for the same purpose.

Respectfully submitted,

F. T. LITTLE, Agent.

Baltimore, Md., March 31st, 1908.

## REPORT II

## OF THE COMMITTEE ON SUNDAY-SCHOOLS

We recognize with increasing interest the importance of the Sunday school as a vital factor in our church work. It is indeed a part of the plan for winning souls. To accomplish this end successfully the school should be made as attractive as possible, and the officers and teachers should be men and women of unquenchable piety and conviction. Added to this they should be





items of money financially distressed persons whose income is being cut by the war and his family upon the rugged edge of destitution. His needs are religious, and also for no gain, but also later in the hearts of the members of the conference and will be perpetuated in the divine activities of their posterity to the last epochs of remote time. God bless this noble-hearted woman.

We also profitably made the benefit by Miss C. Johnson as a fund-raising heavy payer for the Our Church Home, in memory of Dr. Alfred Johnson, also the gift by wife of Mrs. M. J. Sullivan of \$200 to North Indiana Church, 1930 to the Episcopate Fund, Society and \$50 to the Women's Society of Indiana Society. The good work, according to \$20 per season, by Mrs. M. J. Smith to Pine Grove Church. And the gift of \$200 to Western Maryland College and \$50 to the Board of Missions of our Episcopal Diocese, Maryland. Also the gift of the late Frederick M. Warren of \$20 to Our Church Home, and \$20 to the Episcopate Fund, and the list given by the members listed in Wisconsin country.

We would not forget, by way of postscript, to express our sympathy for the Bible and Tract Societies in the loss of annual income from the coast of H. H. H. H. H. H. In conclusion, we note with respect, gratitude and appreciation the report of Dr. C. J. Dickinson, which has been presented with confidence to the board and occasion of legal liability to the inland lawyer, T. A. Hervey. We embody his report in this report as the way best form of verbal expression. And we in addition extend to the widow of our late brother our personal sympathy in view of the shadow of an unrequited career, but knowing that her life is his gift gives a bright lining to the cloud.

We thanked Rev. C. E. Deussen for Life Director, and Rev. J. J. Phillips for Life Member of the Maryland State Society, all of which is respectfully submitted.

J. B. Jones, Chairman.

#### OF BIBLES AND TRACTS RECEIVED

	1934	1935	Income	Disburse
Bibles.....	\$42.45	\$11.20	\$53.65	
Tracts.....	161.35	161.35		\$322.70
TOTAL.....	\$203.80	\$272.55		\$376.35

N. O. Ganson, Secretary.

#### REPORT I.

#### Of The Committee on Fraternal Relations

Your Committee on Fraternal Relations respectfully submits the following report:

The letter of Rev. E. D. Smithless from Franklin, West Virginia, having been considered, we regret his inability to be present at this conference, but are gratified at his encouraging report of the work, and trusting that of our sympathy and prayer for a continued and enlarged success, we may soon be able to meet at his home in the near future.

The application of Rev. Dr. C. E. McManama, Business Director of the Board of the Home Missions, for the loan of a man for the church at Newark, Pa. for the coming year, and suggesting Rev. C. E. Taylor for this work, having been carefully considered, we recommended that meeting in the coming General Assembly to our own conference field, it is respectfully suggested with his request.

Having considered also the letter from Clark, Westwood and St. John's Independent Methodist Church, Baltimore, requesting the loan of Rev. J. S. Brown and R. T. Haines, to the pastorate of their respective churches for the coming year, we recommend that their requests be granted.

Whereas the pastor and members of this church and many others in Baltimore have most cordially received in our midst our hospitality and many courtesies, we desire to express to them our hearty appreciation and thank, and to assure them that our sympathies with them has extended to the greatest measure.

We are under obligations, and remain thanks to the national and world-wide organizations for cultural unity, the Evangelical Alliance Co., for the loan of a type writer to our members and the members of the Board of Missions, and the conference pastorates for their official services.

W. B. GANTON, Chairman.

#### REPORT M

#### Of The Committee on Official Character

Your Committee on Official Character, through their activities, beg to submit the following:

We are glad to report that no charges or serious objections have been preferred against the official character of any of our members. The full rank, preferred against the official character of any of our members, the full rank, however, that thirty-eight members failed to receive any new subscriptions to our journals, the "Methodist Proceedings", and that a few charges failed in church matters, the "Methodist Proceedings". Your gracefulness reported that church discipline to their new members. Your gracefulness reported that they had discipline for this. Second of our queries in their official report failed to have a visitor appointed to Our Church Home.

The conference session in view of this, there are only two charges that in making their returns, we desire to add and addressing the members in stipulation, and that thirty-two charges we believed to our reporting members in stipulation, and are only be answered for by us by the nature of the conduct of our members in preparing their reports.

We examined the financial reports of the various churches, and were pleased to find that ever-acting charges were short in their conference assessments to church treasurers, and that, whereas some of the shortages were very small, in others the deficiency was large, but we have not found in any case a disposition to disregard the conference authority. We believe, however, that these deficiencies are due to inefficiency, tardiness in beginning this important work, and your committee would recommend that so how be set apart by the conference for discussion as to the best method of raising conference assessments.

Respectfully submitted,  
J. D. KINZEL, CHAIRMAN.

#### REPORT N

##### Education

##### OF THE COMMITTEE

Your committee respectfully submits the following report concerning the important interests referred to us:

We have carefully read and considered the reports of the Board of Governors of the Westminster Theological Seminary and of the President of Western Maryland College. Both of these papers give gratifying and encouraging information relative to the two educational institutions in which this conference is so fervently interested. These reports have been read in the hearing of the conference and are herewith submitted for publication in the minutes. It seems proper, however, that we call attention to some of the most important features of these papers and emphasize them.

Taking up first the report of the seminary, we desire to express our great gratification at the growth and efficiency of this well-managed institution. The Board of Governors and the President, the president, are to be commended and the church is to be congratulated upon the progress that has been made under the present administration. We call attention to the fact that the roll of students under the present administration has increased this year—the largest conference to know that five of these students will graduate in May and take their degrees within the bounds of the Maryland district.

We note with pleasure the employment of our honored and beloved Dr. assigned him will be recognized by all who know him, and we rejoice that our young men in their preparation for the ministry are to be brought under the influence of one who has been for so many years an ornament to the sacred call-

We find occasion for grateful satisfaction in the growing interest manifested by our laymen in the scholarship fund, and we heartily commend to those whose means will allow, the excellent example of the individuals and churches who have contributed to this fund. In this connection we also record our grateful appreciation of the legacy of \$1,000 by the will of our honored Dr. Drinkhouse. This money is to be held in trust by the Education Endowment Society, and the income used for the benefit of young men preparing for the ministry at the seminary. This is but another evidence of the generous thought of our departed brother and one of the monuments that will attest his love for the church of his early epoch and of his intelligent devotion for more than fifty years. We trust his example will stimulate others of ample means to make provision in their mortuary bequests for the sustenance of this most important work of the church.

We recommend:

1. That the request of the Board of Governors for the assignment of Dr. H. L. Kiderline to the presidency of the seminary for the ensuing year be granted.
2. That the sum of \$1000 be assessed on the district for the use of the seminary, and that pastors give particular attention to securing the full amount assessed upon their respective charges.
3. That all the pulpits of the conference be opened for the representation of the seminary, and every facility afforded them to present the work and claims of this institution to our people.

The report of the President of Western Maryland College shows that the past year has been one of healthy activity and wisdom. The student roll has been maintained at about its usual number, and plans have been formulated, and in part carried out, for increasing the material facilities for scientific study and physical training; a science hall has been provided and a new gymnasium projected.

The most important point in the report of the president, in the judgment of your committee, concerns the endowment fund. It is most gratifying to know that a substantial beginning has been made in this interest. The sum of \$11,000 is safely invested, and plans are contemplated for increasing that amount in the near future. It was scarcely necessary for your committee to attempt here a disquisition of the importance of an endowment. Every one who has acquaintance with colleges and their history knows that an endowment is almost absolutely essential to their permanency and progressive work. These good we except Roman Catholic schools, only 4% of them are without endowment. Does not this consensus of opinion among college authorities and the preparatory-acting action of those vitally interested in the permanence of these educational institutions, eloquently argue for the need of endowment for our college? Does not a consideration of the perils that attend a college dependent upon current receipts alone for the maintenance of its faculty and its running expenses, emphasize this need? We jeopardize the financial credit and even the life of our college so long as we fail to provide an adequate endowment for it. Rec-

saying this we refer to the growing interest felt in this conference through widespread faith. President Loper has certain plans here of considerable significance involving this fund. One of these plans is contained in the report before us in "to provide those who have purchased the 1928 stock with college books to constitute them as endowment." The college will propose to refund those books and pay the amount into the endowment fund. In the presence of this plan the president hopes for the reorganization of the conference in the event of being refused from the proceeds made in 1928, and I believe to the point time to give account from the receipts of the college in the refund from the distant aggregate. Your examination believes that the conference is safe and which endorse the plan of the president of the college and commend them to the friends of this institution.

The report makes interesting reference to the death of our beloved brother, Deane Hickey, Secretary of the Boardman Fund, whose financial demise is recognized in a warm line in this letter.

There is also pointed mention of the bequest of \$300 to the college by the will of the late Gena Thomas, of Newark, N. C. We too rejoice in his generous contribution to the college by our beloved and best teacher who has generously bequeathed. We can only hope that his example will be an inspiration to many others to remember the college when making their last will and testament.

F. D. GRASS, Chairman.

#### OF THE REVENUE OF WESTERN MARYLAND COLLEGE

##### To the Maryland Annual Conference.

Dear Brethren:

By the agreement concerning your I present to you a report of my work as President of Western Maryland College.

1. The full year has been for the college about as other recent years. We too had about the usual amount, and the usual increase with a somewhat increased expenditure. In fact we may look to this letter because it is the same problem from year to year. At the conclusion of the year the expenses increase here from my income, because of the increased plant and the necessity of keeping about our obligations.

2. The economic development has been unfortunate this year, but the progress in building has been persistent. The expenditures, having become too up to a very complete extent here. We have had large the erection of a new gymnasium which we think will not be exceeded by any in the state. We have also purchased some additional ground to enlarge our athletic field and the whole will be grand. These improvements will cost about twelve thousand dollars.

3. The conference of the college has passed, as far as one of disapproval and was now in action of a special session. This conference has been

held in the last three years to this subject as follows: 1922, \$700; 1923, \$100; 1924, \$1310; total, \$1940. The college has added to the fund during the same time out of its current income an amount equal to that contributed in the conferences. And since 1928 we have been getting away money most gifts and savings which are aggregated \$1251. So that we have now what we need and are allowed to spend of as the acquiring of an endowment of \$30,000.

This is really a great endowment is usually adding to the principal. The illness and death of our beloved brother, Deane Hickey, was a severe blow to this interest. His last will in it and if he could have lived to mature and carry out his plans he would certainly have completed what satisfactory result. But he was only able to give one year's service and that of interest was largely pecuniary and experimental.

In the security of men in our conference we have not been encouraged to think that you would lose the loss of another man in this world. But do not mean that death for the increase of this fund shall cease. Any connection with Western College will end with the present academic year, I wish to give some attention to our endowment.

I have two plans to show to be carried independently of the conference committee. One is to persuade those who have purchased the 2 year stock college books to contribute them for endowment. It is probable that we have a number of friends willing to do so with us in this way. The college will propose to advance the books and pay the amount into the endowment. To accomplish this I hope the conference will release us from the plan made in 1922 and indicated in fact, of giving as such as the collection concerned in, since we may, not by giving back, but by turning our gift in another direction, so complete will save for the endowment. The other plan is to make individuals, especially in general, to collect stocks in a movement to raise a given sum in that a number of years, by annual contribution. And if we should, by all these plans make in five years an endowment fund of \$25,000, the result would be glorious as well.

4. It gives me pleasure to report a bequest of \$100 to the college by the will of the late Gena Thomas, of Newark, N. C. This is the second bequest of the late Gena Thomas, of Newark, N. C. of the same amount having been given to the college two years ago, and a larger sum of the same amount having been given to the college by Mrs. John Thomas of Washington, N. C. But really we may give in 1928 by Mrs. John Thomas of Washington, N. C. I have the same interest since of this kind of contribution in the future, and I hope the conference will emphasize the creation of this good thought of the college in connection with all other general church programs.

5. The matter of percentage is always a vital one with us, since this is our sole dependence for an income. We have already been asked in several places by people whom we respect in the conference as to the people of this state their own property, though we give of the information is needed to produce that which they will be glad to see the people a good word for the college. If students will be glad to see the people a good word for the college. We have more for satisfactory. We have the attendance increasing about 20%. We have more for the students and we could have at many old ones if our own efforts would always give us the production among schools of equal status. A more satisfactory

to hope that pastors are vitally interested in the education of their young people and that the local churches are being built according to the plan of a free assembly with the church through their association with the boards of the church. I hope we are fortunate to have the needed support of all as we proceed in carrying out the message of the confessions.

Respectfully submitted,

E. H. LEWIS.

#### ON THE BOARD OF GOVERNORS OF THE THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY

The Board of Governors of the Westminster Theological Seminary this pleasure in reporting progress along every line of activity. Under the present administration the roll of students has never been so large as now. There has resulted excellent results in academic and administrative lines. These represent a conference: New York 1, Louisiana 1, Georgia 1, Illinois 1, West Virginia 1, Ohio 1, New Jersey 1 and Maryland 5. Five men will graduate in May and take work in the Maryland Conference. One of these, Joel Moore, that is a member of the Synods Conference, has remained a while with us as if no services be needed. The remaining four are from Maryland, and during the year just closed have been supplying pulpits in our conference: George John Boone, Bookkeeper; Gilbert Leland Houghsbery, Richard Park; James Ernest Littlejohn, Layman; and Ethel Rebecca Powers, Whitehouse.

One of the most important improvements of the year—highly gratifying to the church in general and the Maryland Conference in particular—is the holding of the notable mission of Rev. Henry Cady Coakley, D. D., D. D. For years the seminary has employed Professor Coakley of Western Maryland College as vice-chancellor in the department of New Testament Greek and Hebrew. After the death of Dr. Coakley, that department was transferred to the newly elected president—Dr. James Douglas—who took charge also of the department of Biblical Theology. The position contained in the departments of Hebrew and Biblical Theology. This left vacant the chair of Systematic and Practical Theology. A combination of fortunate circumstances presented Dr. Coakley to come to our aid. This good fortune could not have been equal had it not been for the appreciation which Dr. Coakley received from the Synods Conference. This appointment not only gives congenial employment to one whom we all delight to honor but also gives to the faculty a representative with peculiar fitness for the work in which he is engaged.

In addition to the regular curriculum, the students have this year had the pleasure to profit of a special course of lectures: Rev. L. C. Marple, "Work of the Holy Spirit"; Rev. J. M. Ward, D. D., D. D., "Theology and Selected Chapters"; Rev. E. Little, D. D., "The Presence of the Spirit"; Rev. C. R. Wright, "Theological Method"; Rev. J. P. Campbell, D. D., "Philosophy of Theology"; Rev. H. W. Ward, D. D., "Special Days at Old Orchard"; Rev. N. L. Wilson, "Remembrance of Synods' Ministry"; Rev. Darlow Miller, "The Call to the Ministry"; and Rev. F. J. Ogden, "The God Sent Man."

Material property has kept pace with the students. The library has been enriched by numerous and valuable contributions from Conference laymen: Dr. Coakley, Mrs. A. B. Brinkman, Mr. Ray Brown, of New York; C. Cross, H. C. Coakley, O. W. Small and C. H. Hollister. Among the many improvements made in school printing, bookbinding, gas fixtures, and better furniture. The most notable improvement is the beginning of a basement which will accommodate the students of a graduate's residence in the interests of the West Virginia Home. Professor Douglas spent the vacation in the interests of this home, visiting various fields in the West Virginia Conference.

The money offered this year was: Halloway, W. H. Halloway, Joseph R. O. Carson, Joseph J. Adams, White, and Benjamin Little, R. J. Brinkman.

The students' fund continues to grow in force among our well-to-do laymen. The list of contributors for this year is: Irving Church, \$500; Mr. Joseph D. Little, \$100; Alumni Association, \$100; Rev. William DeLoach, Washington and Alexandria Churches, \$100; Mrs. W. H. Brinkman, \$100; Mr. C. H. Brinkman, \$100; Mrs. A. B. Brinkman, \$100; Mrs. J. P. Brinkman, \$100; and Mrs. J. P. Brinkman, \$100. The list of \$200, Brinkman's amount is \$100 to be known as the Brinkman-Gibson Fund, to be used in part by the International Theological Society. An amount to be used for the benefit of young men preparing for the Ministry in the Westminster Theological Seminary.

The president spent the vacation traveling in the Primary District and visiting the Oneida and Geneva Conferences. He attended the New York and North Carolina Conferences. Professor Douglas organized the West Virginia District and visited the Ohio, the Pennsylvania, the Wyoming and the New Jersey Conferences. Doctors and students have by their own free work sustained the Synods Conference. The amount for the past year was: We can report that J. L. Mills, D. D., was elected to fill the vacancy in the Board of Governors caused by the death of Dr. Brinkman.

Grateful to the God of all goodness for his continued grace and appreciation to the Board, support which will come from the students and laity of the Maryland Conference, we cordially request:

1. The appointment of Hugh L. Little as president in the coming year.
2. The attendance of \$1000.
3. That pastors open their pulpits for the service of the Synods Conference.

#### OF THE EDUCATIONAL ENDOWMENT SOCIETY

To The Maryland Annual Conference.

The Educational Endowment Society is organized by their devoted interest in the following report:

The death of Dr. W. J. Drinkhouse, a charter member of the board, and its secretary from the organization, made a vacancy, which was filled by the appointment by the president of the conference, of Rev. F. T. Benson. Our charter requires that the annual annual conference shall elect one to fill this vacancy.

J. W. Chapman, Esq., was elected secretary of the board.

At the special meeting held March 29th, 1904, the president was directed to report to the annual conference that no change in the financial condition of Western Maryland College had occurred during the year affecting our waiver of mortgage.

We are informed that Dr. Drinkhouse left to the board by will \$1000 to be known as the "Elizabeth Gibson Fund", the income from which is to be used in helping young men preparing for the ministry in the Methodist Protestant Church. The estate has not been settled yet, and the money has not come into our hands.

Respectfully,

J. W. CHAPMAN, Secretary.

J. D. KIRKER, President.

#### OF THE EDUCATION STEWARD

Assessment for Seminary.....	\$102.00
Paid.....	178.00
Decrease.....	76.00
Assessment for College.....	\$344.00
Paid.....	150.00
Decrease.....	194.00
Assessment for Ministerial Education.....	\$ 618.00
Paid.....	544.00
Decrease.....	74.00

Respectfully,

J. M. DICKEY, Steward.

#### REPORT OF

#### Mission

#### OF THE COMMITTEE

Your Committee on Missions begs leave to submit the following: We believe that the spirit of Christ is the spirit of missions. We believe that we are need to serve—need to save. We remember that the same Lord

who so tenderly invited men to "Come", promising that they should "find rest" for their souls, gave us his precious commission to his disciples, "Go ye into all the world and preach my Gospel to every creature."

If it be true that Jesus Christ "bared death for every man," and that God's Gospel "deserves the obligation to send the living message" "to earth's remotest bound."

The present is a time of great privilege, of wonderful opportunity. To-day the world is open to the Gospel as never before. God has been at work among the nations; walls of prejudice have been thrown down; gates of opposition have been torn from their hinges; a splendid highway has been constructed for the feet of those who would be "heralds of the Cross," and loud and clear, from across the sea, comes the call of the men of Macedonia, "Come over and help us."

To refuse this call is to show ourselves selfish, insouciant, of that which was intended for our common humanity and to prove ourselves unworthy of the honor which God has conferred upon us in associating us with Himself in the work of the world's redemption.

We rejoice that to us it did, grow given to us, know the riches of Christ, and we pledge ourselves to more earnest effort to sending the light of the Gospel to those who sit in the darkness of heathen lands, and pray that there may soon dawn the day, the rising sun of which shall look down upon a world redeemed.

From information given the committee by Rev. U. G. Murphy, recently returned from Japan, we are able to report that our work in that empire is making steady advance. We have now a membership of 826, with 120 probationers. There is a Sunday school enrollment of 1400. The contributions for self-support average about \$2.00 per member. The preaching places now number 34, with 17 native pastors and evangelists, and 4 young men preparing for the ministry.

Such has been the enlargement of the work, we are now face to face with some very urgent conditions. There is need for more men and for more money. If we are to meet the pressing necessities now existing, and enter the doors now opening, there must be an increase in the generosity of our people.

The Tokio Church fund increases, but slowly. We commend this enterprise to the confidence and liberality of the churches.

We would most earnestly urge upon our people the importance of the work of the Board of Home Missions. In the west and south new communities are rapidly multiplying; every year witnesses a large increase in our heathen population. The opportunities are golden, the demands imperative. With great meditation, brainstorming and praying for the bread of life we cannot gaily withhold our aid.

With so many doors opened for our entering as a denomination, we see not true to our fathers, now to the principles we have espoused, if we do not send ourselves of every opportunity for the advancement of our denominational interests.

We devoutly give thanks to God for the progress that has been made and for the spiritual needs satisfied.

We assure the Secretary of the Board, Dr. McMillinton, of our sympathy with him in his labors, and we pledge ourselves to make an honest and determined effort to raise the full assessment.

We are pleased to have with us in our conference session Rev. J. G. Starbuck, President of the Japan Mission Conference, and we cordially commended him to the pastors, trusting God he may be given opportunity to address the churches. We also note with pleasure the presence of Miss Annie Forrest of the W. F. M. S.

We extend to the Japan Mission Conference new in unison our cordial greetings and pray that the great Head of the Church may direct in the deliberations and give his blessing to the work.

The information brought us in the letter of Rev. E. H. Van Dyke, of the illness of his wife, has filled us with profound grief. We assure our brother of our sincere sympathy in the sore affliction that has come upon him, and most devoutly pray that as he stands amid the shadows he may have the sustaining grace of Almighty God, and that if it be God's will, his valued helpmeet may be granted a speedy restoration to her normal health.

Among the many transient agencies now at work for bringing the world into Christ, and yielding the Church most blessed fruit, we gratefully acknowledge the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society.

The devotion and enterprise of "these silent women" are worthy of all praise. Our Father's blessing has rested upon their labors, and having the fullest conviction that in the spread of the Gospel and in the establishment of Christ's Kingdom is the whole work that organization is to be an important factor and perfect an important part, we cheerfully pledge this society our hearty co-operation, our prayers and support.

The reports of the Maryland and the Washington and Alexandria branches show the receipts for the year to have been \$225.94.

These are our recommendations:

That \$4,500.00 be assessed upon the churches of the District for this work.

That the Pastor service for Home Missions be observed in all our churches.

That the request of Rev. E. H. Van Dyke for the continuance of his present relation be granted.

J. W. BALDWIN, Chairman.

OF THE FOREIGN MISSIONS STeward

Total for assessments	\$2,618.00
Children's Day	5,095.92
Woman's Foreign Missionary Society	\$20.00
Sunday schools	217.00
Special	228.02
Total	\$7,179.00
Income	\$719.00

W. A. HELPER, Steward.

OF THE MARYLAND BRANCH, W. F. M. S.

Maryland Branch, Woman's Foreign Missionary Society, Methodist Protestant Church, sends greetings to Maryland Annual Conference, Abolition Memorial Church, Baltimore, Md.

We are pleased to report the organization of two societies during the year.

We are asking each church to organize an auxiliary to the Woman's Society as soon as practicable.

Cash receipts to date, \$108.36.

Respectfully submitted,

MRS. HENRY HARRISON, Corresponding Secretary.

April 5, 1904.

OF THE WASHINGTON AND ALEXANDRIA BRANCH, W. F. M. S.

The Washington and Alexandria Branch of the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society sends greetings, and prays that this session will be most pleasant and profitable to all.

This being the twenty-fifth anniversary of our organization, we have made some extra effort to raise a special thank offering, to be known as the "Silver Thank Fund".

We are working to obey our Lord's command "Go ye into all the world and preach the good news to every creature", and are hoping and praying that this fund will enable us to extend our work into the interior of Japan. We cannot expect for this fund, as we have until May to enlarge it. Our regular contribution for the year is \$225.94.

J. PAULINE BARBER-WOODREY,

Corresponding Secretary.

OF THE STEWARD OF GENERAL HOME MISSIONS

For year ending April, 1904.

Assessed	\$2,941.00
Paid	1,500.00
Deficit	\$1,441.00
Balance over last year	\$208

G. M. CLAYTON, Steward.

## REPORT P

## Of The Committee On Sabbath Observance

**WHEREAS**, The Christian Sabbath is divinely appointed as a day of rest and worship, and

**WHEREAS**, Worldly men and those engaged in the liquor business particularly are united in their efforts to rob this day of its sacredness, **Resolved**, 1st, That as a body of Christian ministers and laymen we deplore all such efforts and insist that the members of our church stand unflinchingly for the strict observance of the Sabbath, and that by precept and example we exhort all work on this day except such work as is unavoidable.

**Resolved**, 2nd, That we disapprove of all unnecessary travel on the Sabbath, the postponing of Sunday newspapers, and that we refuse to attend camp-meetings, where the law of the church governing them is not strictly enforced.

J. L. STRADGINS, Chairman.

## REPORT Q

## Of The Committee On Credentials

Your Committee on Credentials respectfully reports,

1. That all delegates' certificates have been found correct, and
  2. That we are indebted from Hollywood, Middleville and Palisado.
- We recommend that Thos. B. Hayward, the alternate from Harford; Wm. Bredemeyer, the alternate from Howard, and E. J. Warrington, alternate from Baltimore, be in each case the accredited delegates.

W. D. LEYBROCK, Chairman.

## REPORT R

## Of The Committee On Christian Endeavor

We are glad to report that the Christian Endeavor work of the district is in a prosperous condition. New societies have been formed and much interest has been manifested. The societies have been, as heretofore, of great assistance to the pastors of the churches, and we feel that they can be made of still greater assistance, in a practical way, along many lines of Christian service. It is our conviction that such a society should be formed in every church within the bounds of the Maryland Conference.

Christian Endeavor rightly appreciated and inspected cannot fail to be a blessing to the local church. Pastors can use a healthy society to good advantage, and in most instances the Christian Endeavor societies stand ready to be just what the pastor is capable of making them. We feel that it is the duty of the pastor to spend time in the development of his society, to carefully interpret its needs and, wherever possible, point the way to practical work. It is our opinion Christian Endeavor is here to stay. It is a product of the times, as how in the providence of God, and instead of retreating it, and hindering it, young people under his charge. If faithfully carried out in all directions, the Christian Endeavor society cannot fail to be a source of power in the Christian church.

We commend to the prayerful consideration of the church the work of the Junior Society. Emphasis cannot be too strongly placed upon this feature of Christian Endeavor. It is important to interest the children of the flock and capture them for Christ and the church. A wise, concerted effort should be made to encourage the formation of Junior Societies wherever practicable.

The Convention held at West Baltimore Church in February was a most gratifying success. The attendance was not so great as in former conventions because of the great conflagration which had visited the city but a few days previous, but the attendance was larger than might have been expected under such trying circumstances, and the occasion was one of profit and inspiration.

We would call attention to the approaching denominational convention which will hold its sessions in May, immediately preceding the General Conference, in the North Carolina Avenue Methodist Episcopal Church, Washington, D.C. The officers of the association are working to secure one thousand delegates and we hope the Maryland Conference Endeavorers will do their utmost to make the denominational convention the most inspiring to numbers and enthusiasm that has ever been held.

The Maryland Conference Union has undertaken this year, through the societies, to raise one thousand dollars for missions. This money is to go through the channel that may be indicated by the local society, but the effort is to be made to increase the missionary offering one thousand dollars. We cannot too strongly commend this to the conference. This is a more in the right direction, and God will bless it in an unusual way if our people will respond to this call.

We, therefore, recommend the following:

1. The raising of one thousand dollars in the societies for missions.
  2. A special missionary service in the Christian Endeavor Society, to be held in October, the collection to go to the purpose mentioned above.
- In connection with this work especially outlined for this year, we trust the societies will also look to the increase of the circulation of the "Methodist Protestant". We believe it is possible for the societies to secure the thousand dollars asked for missions, and at the same time increase the circulation of the church paper.

A. N. WARD, Chairman.



## REPORT S

## Of The Committee On Transportation

Your Committee on Transportation respectfully reports, that while the results of its work were not perfectly satisfactory in every respect, still, very good gains in conference were secured over the railroad systems operating within the bounds of the Maryland District.

The great Baltimore fire of February last complicated matters somewhat in railroad affairs, as in many other things. However, we found railway and steamboat officials most careful and perfectly willing to do everything possible for us under the circumstances.

G. W. HANBRAW, *Committee*.

## REPORT T

## Of The Committee On Church Enterprises

Your Committee on Church Enterprises, to whom was referred the paper submitted by Rev. Avery Benson, suggesting the establishing of an appointment in the town of Berlin, Md., would respectfully report that we have carefully considered the matter, and recommend that the conference hereby approve of the enterprise, and that it be placed under the care and supervision of the pastor of Snow Hill Circuit. We further recommend that the enterprise be referred to the Committee on Church Relations.

J. R. NICHOLSON, *Chairman*.

## REPORT U

## Of Special Committee To Push Claims Of Mt. Olivet Church Before Congress

The Committee has had some correspondence with the council in the case, but has no information to report further than progress.

P. T. LITTLE, *Chairman*.

## REPORT V

## Of The Special Committee On Jackson Grove Camp Assembly

Your Special Committee to whom was referred the communication of F. T. TEGG, J. McLean Brown and A. A. Nichol, three members of this Annual Conference, and also those of the five representatives of the Jackson Grove Assembly having carefully considered the matter,

do hereby recommend the project to the voluntary co-operation of the members of this body and the churches they represent.

And, as the object is to possess a knowledge of the truth as it is in Christ Jesus, by the holding of a yearly conference and Christmas, we cordially extend to it our usual support, and commend it to the members of our church for their consideration. But in so doing we wish to state that the conference is in no wise responsible for the success of the undertaking either financially or otherwise.

J. L. MILLS, *Chairman*.

## REPORT W

## Of The Special Committee On Fraternal Greetings From The Baltimore Conference, M. E. Church

The committee to whom was referred the resolution bearing the fraternal greetings of the Baltimore Conference of the Methodist Episcopal Church to this conference beg to submit the following report:

*Resolved*, 1st, That we receive with sincere pleasure the hearty fraternal greetings brought to us by the special messengers from the Baltimore Conference of the Methodist Episcopal Church, and assure them that we both appreciate and reciprocate their warm Christian greetings.

*Resolved*, 2nd, That we respond to their invitation, and request our representatives to the ensuing General Conference to memorialize said conference to appoint commissioners to confer with representatives from the General Conference of the Methodist Episcopal Church upon terms of union.

J. D. KESTER, *Chairman*.

## REPORT X

## Of The Special Committee On Peawick Island Camp

The Special Committee appointed at last conference on Peawick Island Camp-meeting submits the following report:

That beginning August 1st, a camp-meeting was held at above-assess place continuing ten days. Your committee visited this camp, and while it was not largely attended, proved enjoyable and helpful to those who participated in the meetings.

This camp is located immediately on the Atlantic Ocean, 10 miles north of Ocean City. It is admirably adapted for camp-meeting purposes, having a beautiful grove containing ten acres within three minutes walk of the beach, and that, so far as the committee know, is the only place on the coast open to the Methodist Protestant Church for camp-meeting purposes or as a denominational resort.

Your committee has been in correspondence with the owners of the *Hotel* with the view of obtaining information as to terms upon which we may secure possession of the *young grove*, but in the present date have not been able to accomplish this desire, but have been granted the privilege of using the *grove* for camp-meeting purposes.

We recommend that the committee be continued for another year with the addition of the following laymen: E. C. Baker, L. W. Hensley and A. E. Tall, who shall have power to negotiate with the owners of the property with a view of securing the *grove* to the Methodist Protestant Church of H. In deemed advisable, and cooperate with Hillside charge in holding a camp-meeting, this coming summer.

F. Y. LAYTON, Chairman.

#### REPORT Y Our Church Home

##### OF THE BOARD OF MANAGERS

The Board of Managers of the Home for the Aged, herewith submits the annual report of the institution for the year ending April 1st, 1904, showing fully the financial condition at that date.

The sum of \$1054.90 shown in last report, as indebtedness due on account of utilities for heating and installation of heating and lighting plant, has been reduced by the payment of \$204.00, leaving a balance of \$850.90. This is the only indebtedness of the board.

We beg to acknowledge the generous bequest of our late, beloved brother, Frederick Warner, of \$500.00, which was paid during the year by his executor, Mrs. Mary C. Warner. Also the donation of two eligible burial lots in the Westminster cemetery, given by the cemetery board, and for which a deed has been executed to the Home.

The board is also pleased to acknowledge a valuable donation, recently made by Mrs. A. C. Schumann, as a memorial to Dr. Alfred Schumann, brother-in-law, in a handsome manner, of the library room of the Home, and is much appreciated by the board.

One death has occurred during the year and there remain four persons in the Home at this date. The report of the Lady Managers is also herewith submitted, showing the result of the financial management of the current affairs for the year. Two things are suggested by this report, and these the ladies desire should be emphasized to the conference.

1st. That the annual receipts of the Home are barely sufficient, without great aid, to meet its expenditures. They may think ought not to be, and small. Many of the churches contribute regularly and liberally, and to these the Home and its inmates are greatly indebted.

2d. That it would facilitate the work of the ladies, if the contributions to the Home could be taken earlier in the conference year. As it is, they are compelled to make temporary loans, in order to enable them to meet the current monthly payments.

We feel greatly gratified that we have at Westminster the foundation of a splendid Church Home. A Home that we hope to see grow; grow in enlarged usefulness to our worthy aged people who are unable to provide a home for themselves, and grow in the interest which the church should manifest in an institution in every way so worthy.

May the Divine blessing rest upon it, and bring to it all that is needful to carry on the work which the church is seeking to do through it.

By order of the board,

J. D. CATHELL, President.

F. Y. YAGO, Secretary.

#### OF THE TREASURER

Ct.	
Amount in hands of Treasurer, April 1903.....	\$ 18.70
Cash from sale of pictures at last conference.....	23.00
Amount received for entrance fees.....	543.00
Amount received from Mrs. Mary C. Warner, Executive of Frederick Warner, deceased, (Bequest).....	447.28
Amount received from Lady Managers, (Loans).....	225.00
	\$1346.98
Dr.	
Amount of sundry expenses paid.....	\$145.21
Amount of loan to Lady Managers.....	255.00
Amount paid Westminster Savings Bank.....	744.10
Amount in hands of Treasurer.....	120.00
	\$1304.31

Respectfully submitted,  
J. W. HERRICK, Treasurer.

#### OF THE LADY MANAGERS

Ct.	
Amount in hands of Treasurer April 1903.....	\$ 27.10
Amount received at conference of 1903.....	375.61
Amount received during conference year.....	288.27
Amount borrowed from Permanent Fund.....	355.00
Amount of private donations.....	41.00
	\$1086.98
Dr.	
Expenses during the year.....	\$117.70
Cash bill for 1903.....	75.00

Amount paid to Permanent Fund.....	250.00
Amount to Book of Treasurer.....	75.43
	\$325.43

Respectfully submitted,  
 W. A. BROWN, *Steward*,  
 Mrs. K. O. GRIMES, *President*.

## OF THE STEWARD

Statement of the fund for Our Church Home begs leave to make the following report:

The amount received in cash.....	\$336.74
Receipts.....	162.77
Total.....	\$574.51
Income over last year.....	\$20.51

Respectfully submitted,  
 W. A. BROWN, *Steward*.

## REPORT 2

## Of The Trustees Of The Maryland Annual Conference

To The Maryland Annual Conference.

DEAR BRETHREN:—

The Trustees of the Maryland Annual Conference of the Methodist Protestant Church have with submit their annual report.

Officers elected in accordance with the charter: President, Dr. J. L. Miller; Treasurer, Daniel Baker; Secretary, Thomas A. Murray.

The committee appointed by the conference to purchase a suitable property for the use of the Baltimore Book Directory with the moneys raised at the 20th Street, Baltimore City, at the price of \$20,500.00, the title of said property has been acquired and the deed thereto taken in the name of this corporation.

The amount raised at the 20th Street Fund not being sufficient to meet the cost of this corporation, advanced the sum of \$3,000.00 on account of the loaned on part of this corporation under the terms of his will, and by the action of the trustees, said loan has been made a first claim upon said property. The Baltimore Book Directory has also advanced, as a loan, the sum of \$4,000.00 on account of said purchase money, subject to the legal claim therefor.

The trustees have also by their action acknowledged the claim of the Superannuated Fund Society for the sum of \$5,800.00, advanced as the purchase money for the new conference parsonage, No. 1430 Lincolnton Ave., the title in said property being held by this corporation subject to the claim of the society

for the amount so advanced, the interest thereon to be paid as provided for by the previous action of the conference.

We wish to make special and warm personal recognition of the munificent bequest by the will of our honored and beloved pastor, Dr. Edward J. Dickinson, by which, upon the completion of the administration in due course, his whole estate, after the payment of the legacy of \$1,000.00 to the Educational Endowment Society of the conference will come into the possession of this corporation, to be applied in accordance with the provisions of said will to the furtherance of the interests of the Baltimore Book Directory, and the education of students for the ministry at the Westminster Theological Seminary, subject to the directions and provision of said will as to the income from said estate during the life of his widow, Mrs. Angeline R. Dickinson.

The income will not be available for the interests above named during the ensuing episcopate year.

We also submit herewith the report of the treasurer.

The terms of the following trustees expire with this session of the conference: Ministers, F. T. Little and S. J. Smith; laymen, C. A. Benjamin and Franklin Moushous (deceased), and their successors should be elected at this session of the conference.

T. A. MURRAY, *Secretary*.

J. L. MILLER, *President*.

## TREASURER'S REPORT

Baltimore, Md., April 1, 1904.

Trustees Maryland Annual Conference in account with Daniel Baker, Treasurer.

## Receipts

1903.		
May 22,	By cash from John G. Clarke, Secy, retiring Treasurer.....	\$ 79.25
	By interest from Central Savings Bank.....	38,085.87
June 1,	By cash from F. T. Little, Agent 20th Century Fund.....	4,209.89
	By cash from F. T. Little, Treasurer Baltimore Book Directory.....	2,600.00
	By cash from T. A. Murray, Daniel Baker, Secretaries, Deeds.....	200.77
	By cash from F. T. Little, Agent Baltimore Book Directory.....	156.45
June 2,	By cash from F. T. Little, Treasurer, Deeds of F. T. Little.....	29
June 20,	By cash from interest.....	8.20
Dec. 31,	By cash from interest.....	\$20,289.12

## Disbursements

1903.		
May 28,	To expense Messrs. Mather, Watts & Kinser.....	\$ 8.00
June 1,	To check Joseph G. and Mary C. Johnson account.....	34,257.44
	To check John S. Charles St.....	112.45
June 3,	To check Citizens Guaranty and Trust Co.....	45.00

Oct. 27, To balance paid Joseph G. and Mary C. Johnson for purchase money 116 N. Charles St.....	200.00
	\$30,823.49
1904:	
April 1, Balance in hand.....	35.75
	\$30,859.24

(Regret that cancelled checks for all above were destroyed in fire.)  
Respectfully submitted,

DANIEL BAXTER, Treasurer.

#### REPORT AA

##### Of The Special Committee To Confer And Act With The N. J. Conference In Establishing Mission Work In Philadelphia

No definite understanding or co-operation with any committee from the New Jersey Conference in regard to mission work in Philadelphia has taken place, but the establishment of missions in Philadelphia in a comprehensive manner is to be wished. We recommend a continuation of the subject.

F. T. LITTLE, } Chairman.  
J. B. JONES, }

#### REPORT BB

##### Of The Special Committee On Conference Evangelist

Your committee, after carefully considering this question referred to us at last conference, would respectfully submit the following:

1. While we are confident that an evangelist could be profitably employed in the Maryland District, we fear that some out of the pastoralate of such a man would make an efficient evangelist, would be seriously felt at this time.
2. We are also of the opinion that the conference could not wisely employ an evangelist without controlling entirely his time and determining the exact kind of supervision, and we hesitate to ask any man coming us to submit to this kind of supervision without guaranteeing his support.
3. We do not see any way by which his salary could be guaranteed. The conference funds are not sufficient to justify any don't upon them for this purpose. Being unable to see our way clear to provide for his financial support, we most desirous to recommend the employment of an evangelist at this time.

J. D. KINROSS, Chairman.

## THE ELECTORAL COLLEGE

The Electoral College met at 2:30 p. m., Friday, April 8, 1904, in the Aiken Memorial Methodist Protestant Church. W. H. Sawyer was elected president and A. N. Ward secretary. The following were appointed the judges of election: A. W. Knicker, J. L. Eldredge, W. E. Sheppard and C. A. Robinson.

The college then proceeded to the election of twelve ministerial and twelve lay representatives to the General Conference.

Nine ballots were taken, and the balloting continued through the remaining days of conference.

The following representatives were elected:

#### Ministers

F. T. LITTLE  
T. H. LARSEN  
W. L. ELDRIDGE  
F. T. YAGG  
J. D. KINROSS  
W. R. GRAHAM  
J. M. HOGAN  
W. M. STRAWER  
J. M. GILL  
J. W. KIRK  
J. I. MILLS  
S. B. TREADWAY

#### Laymen

J. W. ELWOOD  
T. F. FISHER  
DANIEL BAKER  
T. A. MURRAY  
G. T. ATKINSON  
R. S. ATTERS  
J. H. ROBERTS  
C. A. ROBERTS  
S. R. FURBY  
J. G. COLTRAY  
J. H. WARRICK  
R. M. PARKS

Upon the completion of the ballot for representatives the judges of election resigned. W. J. Neapier, D. W. Austin, A. W. Woodland and J. T. Harling were appointed in their place.

The following were elected substitutes:

#### Ministers

F. C. KLEIN  
J. M. SHERRIDAN  
J. S. HOWARD

#### Laymen

J. G. LOCKWOOD  
DANIEL VAN NORT  
J. D. CATERSA

The Electoral College then adjourned.

A. N. WARD, Secretary.

## CONFERENCE SOCIETIES

### Supernumate Fund Society

BALTIMORE, Md., April 9th, 1904.

The Supernumate Fund Society of the Maryland Conference met on the above date, at 2:30 o'clock p. m., in Abert Memorial Church, J. L. Straighten, the First Vice-president in the chair. In the absence of the secretary, E. C. Makovsky was elected secretary *pro tem*. The treasurer, Bro. T. A. Murray, read his report and it was adopted, and a ringing, unanimous vote of thanks was given to the treasurer for his devoted and efficient labors in behalf of the society and its interests.

The following officers were elected, viz.:—J. L. Straighten, First Vice-president; H. E. Johnson, Second Vice-president; F. H. Millman, Third Vice-president; A. W. Hatler, Corresponding Secretary, and H. C. Malenky, Recording Secretary.

The following Board of Managers were elected for the ensuing Conference year, viz.:—J. M. Haines, F. T. Yagg, J. W. Kirk, T. O. Crosse, J. D. Clark, T. A. Murray, J. B. Thomas, and Dr. E. R. Pesby. The society then adjourned.

E. C. MAKOVSKY, Secretary.

### TREASURER'S REPORT FOR YEAR, APRIL 1893-1904

Thomas A. Murray, Treasurer, in account with Supernumate Fund Society.

#### Investment Account

De.	
To balance as per last report.....	162 88
To amount received from Rev. W. H. Libinger, Steward.....	195 00
To amount received from sale Georgetown Property.....	1433 81
To amount received from sale and Conference Passage.....	1519 28
To amount received from Fred M. Warner.....	487 39
To amount received from Mrs. Mary J. Zollickofer.....	199 00
	\$3181 36

#### Cr.

By subscription to 20th Century Year.....	\$ 25 00
By amount invested in Certificates.....	\$2173 61
By amount received in Mortgage.....	\$1678 41
By amount balance cash in Bank.....	283 34
	\$4311 36

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### Distribution Account

De.	
To amount increase on Investments received.....	\$4668 40
To amount interest received on Deposits.....	37 30
	\$4705 70
To amount Conference Assessments received.....	636 00
	\$5341 70
Cr.	
By amount paid for stationary.....	\$ 5 75
By amount paid rent safe deposit box.....	5 00
By amount paid account collection ground-rent.....	15 00
By amount paid 2000 leaves on record file.....	81 48
	\$ 107 23
By amounts remitted to Rev. W. H. Libinger, Steward, for distribution as follows:	
October 9th, 1903.....	\$ 2239 00
February 24th, 1904.....	50 00
March 21st, 1904.....	25 00
Check herewith for.....	\$243 11
	\$3157 11
	\$1084 59

Respectfully submitted,

T. A. MURRAY, Treasurer.

We hereby certify that we have examined the accounts of the treasurer and find them correct as per above report, and the income from all property and accretions of the society fully accounted for; and we have also examined the securities of the society and find them all properly deposited in the Safe Deposit Box of the society.

F. T. YAGG, Auditing Committee.

T. O. CROSSE, Auditing Committee.

### Church Extension Society

BALTIMORE, MD., April 12th, 1904.

The Church Extension Society met Saturday, at 2:30 p. m., J. L. Straighten presiding.

Treasurer's report was read by W. J. Nepler. Adopted.

Report of Board of Managers was read by W. J. Nepler. Adopted.

Resolution was offered by E. S. Parks to honor \$200.00 to cover deficiencies. Adopted.

The following officers were elected:—President, J. M. GIB; First Vice-president, J. L. Straighten; Second Vice-president, J. W. Tread; Secretary, F. A. Hatler; Treasurer, F. H. Barlett; Board of Managers, W. J. Nepler, J. S. Rowland; F. T. Yagg, F. H. Lewis, and others. N. T. Maguire, T. A. Murray, T. H. Peck, T. O. Crosse, F. H. Lewis, and others. Adjourned.

F. A. HATLER, Secretary.

## TREASURER'S REPORT

## Receipts

1962		
June 9	From Rev. H. F. Wright	9 00
June 26	From Rev. A. N. Ward	82 00
Oct. 8	From Rev. F. W. Crosby	18 00
Oct. 8	From Rev. C. M. Campbell	16 00
Oct. 7	From Rev. J. M. Sheridan	44 00
Oct. 21	From Rev. J. H. S. Ewell	26 00
Nov. 26	From Rev. J. A. Wright	39 00
Dec. 8	From Rev. R. A. Byars	14 00
Dec. 29	From Rev. J. A. Janda	10 00
1964		
Jan. 22	From Rev. J. N. Hollister	20 00
Jan. 26	From Rev. E. S. Rowe	21 00
Feb. 10	From Rev. C. M. Lepp	16 00
Feb. 8	From Rev. E. C. McKinstry	57 00
Mar. 12	From Rev. J. W. Kirk	31 00
Mar. 24	From Rev. J. E. Ryan	14 00
Mar. 18	From Rev. B. P. Talley	19 00
Apr. 2	From Rev. F. H. Lewis	25 00
	Total from cheques	\$615 00
Aug. 6	From Rev. E. S. Poole balance an appropriation to Keen Memorial M. P. Church	48 13
	Total	\$663 13
1961		
April 1	Interest on deposits	\$ 2 20
April 2	Balance on loan on Baltimore Circuit	20 00
April 2	Interest on loan on Baltimore Circuit	5 00
1961		
April 4	Interest on deposits	20 11
	Total	\$27 31
		\$690 44
	<i>Disbursements</i>	
1963		
May 26	To Rev. R. D. Stone interest on Broadway Church debt	62 50
Sept. 25	To Rev. H. D. Stone interest on Broadway Church debt	62 50
Nov. 27	To Rev. R. D. Stone interest on Broadway Church debt	62 50
Dec. 7	To Rev. J. W. Harris as account of appropriation to Lanesville	15 00
1964		
Jan. 25	To Rev. A. A. Nichol balance on appropriation to Keen Memorial for 1963	45 15
Mar. 4	To Rev. A. A. Nichol appropriation to Keen Memorial Church	45 15
Mar. 9	To Rev. H. D. Stone interest on Broadway Church debt	100 00
	Total	\$252 20
	To Rev. R. S. Poole, Broad (check)	\$498 10
	Total	\$750 30
	Total	\$663 13

## Bank Account, (Maryland Springs Bank)

1962		
March 31	To balance	\$ 433 00
April 1	Interest on deposits	2 20
April 2	Balance on loan on Baltimore Circuit	20 00
April 2	Interest on loan on Baltimore Circuit	5 00
1961		
April 4	Interest on deposits	20 11
	Total	\$663 13
	(including for lot at Lanesville \$61.00)	

T. H. BARKLEY, Treasurer.

## OF THE BOARD OF MANAGERS

The Board of Managers of the Church Extension Society took the following report: Keen Memorial Church has had a year of prosperity. The pastor, Rev. A. A. Nichol, reports 48 conversions and 183 marriages. The finances are in good condition. All local expenses have been met in full. The pastor's salary has been paid. The conference assessments have been added, \$100.00 has been paid on the principal of the Old Town Bank note. The \$100.00 appropriated by the conference has been paid on the debt on the ground, reducing that indebtedness to \$200.00. The outlook of the church is hopeful.

The Lanesville work was held in the home of Rev. J. W. Stone. He reports that a tabernacle has been erected and finished, at a cost of \$205.00, all of which has been paid. A Sunday school has been organized with forty-five scholars. A music society has been formed with a membership of twenty-five.

W. J. NATHAN,

President of the Board of Managers.

April 24th, 1964.

## The Mutual Relief Association

The Mutual Relief Association met in a special session at Baltimore, Md., April 8, 1964. The President of the Conference in the chair. The society was adopted, roll. The Secretary treasurer read his report, which an action, was adopted. The report was referred to an Auditing Committee, as follows: J. R. Nicholson, E. C. McKinstry and J. T. Lenzel.

The Auditing Committee reported the Secretary-treasurer's report correct. Report adopted.

The following officers were elected: 1st Vice-president, W. M. Shroyer; 2nd Vice-president, J. D. Kinser; 3rd Vice-president, R. W. Cox; Secretary-treasurer, J. A. Weigand.

## MARYLAND ANNUAL CONFERENCE

The following notice was adopted, offered by J. L. Mills:  
*Resolved*, That it is earnestly requested that all the members of the conference unite with the Mutual Relief Association.

J. A. WEGAND, *Secretary-treasurer*,

OF THE SECRETARY-TREASURER  
 For the Year ending April 5, 1901

Amount in hand from 8th advance payment.....	\$100.00
Amount in hand from 9th advance payment.....	100.00
Amount in hand from 10th advance payment.....	125.00
	\$325.00
Expense of collecting 8th advance payment.....	14.00
Expense of collecting 9th advance payment.....	4.44
Expense of collecting 10th advance payment.....	4.44
	\$22.88
	\$302.12
Paid Mrs. George Low.....	\$100.00
Paid Mrs. A. D. Mills.....	125.00
	\$225.00
Balance in hand on advance payment.....	\$77.12
Received dues from lapsed members.....	\$ 2.00
Paid Mrs. R. F. Benson.....	\$1.00
Paid Rev. J. W. Young.....	1.00
	2.00
Amount of permanent fund deposited in Westminster Savings Bank.....	\$ 16.10
3 members deceased, 8 members lapsed during the year, respectively admitted,	

J. A. WEGAND, *Secretary-treasurer*.

Examined and approved,

J. K. NICHOLSON,  
 H. C. MARPICK, } *Auditing Committee.*  
 J. T. LAMONT,

## RESOLUTIONS

## Resolution 1

Of Sympathy to J. M. Dickey.

*Resolved*, That this conference leaves with great regret of the death of the wife of our Brother J. M. Dickey, and hereby extends to Brother Dickey its cordial sympathy.

H. C. MARPICK.

## Resolution 2

Members of the Board of Governors of the Seminary.

*Resolved*, That the Secretary call the board of the conference for the election of Rev. J. D. Kinser, J. M. Gill and J. L. Mills, ministers, and Dr. J. W. Hering and T. Piny Fisher, M. D., lay members of the Board of Governors of the Westminster Theological Seminary for the ensuing quadrennium.

H. L. HILKESBORO.

## Resolution 3

Daily Sessions.

*Resolved*, That the sessions of conference be held daily at 8:30 A. M., with a recess from 12:30 to 2:00 o'clock, and adjourn at pleasure.

J. B. HICKSON.

## Resolution 4

Assessment for General Conference Expenses.

*Resolved*, That the Board of Finance be, and they are hereby authorized to assess upon the district the sum of Three Hundred and fifty Dollars, to be used in paying the traveling expenses and board of the representatives of the Maryland Conference during the General Conference in North Carolina Avenue Church, Washington, D. C.

J. D. EWERT.

## Resolution 5

Time of Holding Next Session.

*Resolved*, That the session of the Maryland Conference for the year 1901 be held on the first Wednesday in April of that year.

H. S. BOWY.

## Resolution 6

Envelopes for President's Salary Vouchers.

*Resolved*, That the Secretary of the Conference provide and furnish to the pastors of the various churches, envelopes for their vouchers for the payment of the assessment of their charges for President's salary.

R. S. ROWE.

## Resolution 7

Depositing Pastor's Reports.

*WHEREAS*, Related reports greatly retard the progress of the work done by the conference board of stewards, and

*WHEREAS*, The work under most favorable conditions is attended with no little difficulty;

*Resolved*, That this conference call attention to the rate of depositing reports on Tuesday morning of conference session, and insist upon the strict observance of the same.

R. S. FOWKS.

## Resolution 8

Requiring Payment of Assessments by Check.

*Resolved*, That this conference advise pastors as far as possible to give checks for the full amount of their several assessments.

H. S. FOWKS.

## Resolution 9

Request of the Senators and Representatives in Congress.

*Resolved*, That the Secretary of the Conference be authorized to send letters to the Senators and Representatives of the State of Maryland in Congress, requesting them to vote for the passage of the Hepburn-Dooliver bill for the regulation of the liquor traffic.

J. W. KIRK.

## Resolution 10

Reply to Baltimore Conference Greetings.

*Resolved*, That a copy of the report of the Special Committee on Fraternal Greetings from the Baltimore Conference, Maryland; Episcopal Church, be furnished by our Secretary to the visiting delegation and that a copy of said report be also furnished our representatives to the General Conference, for presentation as that body.

H. L. HARRINGTON.

## Resolution 11

For a Committee on New Report Blank.

*WHEREAS*, since the printing of the present supply of pastor's reports so many changes have been made by the conference that the committee on statistics deem it best for a new pastor's report blank to be made, therefore, be it

*Resolved*, That a committee of three be appointed to devise the said blank and report at the Conference of 1905.

H. L. SCHLEICHER.

## Resolution 12

On Unsettling Reed Steno.

*Resolved ist*, That reflecting that the investigation recently conducted by a Committee of U. S. Senators into conditions in Utah clearly set forth the unfitness of Reed Steno to sit as a Senator from Utah, we therefore request our Maryland Senators, the Hon. A. P. GORMAN and the Hon. I. E. McCORMAN to vote that his seat be declared vacant.

*Resolved 2nd*, That the Secretary of the Maryland Annual Conference be authorized to send a copy of this resolution to our United States Senators signed by the President of Our body and by himself as Secretary.

J. W. KIRK.

## Resolution 13

On Church Union.

*WHEREAS*, Tentative preliminary steps have been taken by several denominations, including our own, looking to an organic union of all said denominations, and

*WHEREAS*, It is believed by the Maryland Annual Conference that, in the light of our Church's past experience, all such efforts are damaging to us, and

*WHEREAS*, The Methodist Protestant Church was never able to stand alone and do God's work in its own sphere as now, therefore be it

*Resolved*, That this conference disapprove of any union with other churches by which our identity of principles, of doctrines and economy would be lessened or later destroyed.

S. J. SOUTHWELL.

Since no propositions for denominational union can properly come before an Annual Conference until submitted as an avowal from the General Conference, therefore

*Resolved*, That while fully according to our venerable father, Rev. Dr. Southwell, the right to express his views on this important matter we yet deem it inadvisable to open the question in general discussion at this time, and direct that the paper of Dr. Southwell be published in our minutes with this explanation.

T. M. LEWIS.



## Resolution 14

## The Bible Society Agent Give Full Credit for Conference Contributions.

*Resolved*, This conference receives no credit for amounts paid to the Maryland Bible Society for charges during the conference year, therefore,

*Resolved*, That the Agent of the Maryland BRS Society be and is hereby requested to give full credit to this conference for all amounts contributed to said Society of the charges within the bounds of the Annual Conference.

N. O. GIBSON.

## Resolution 15

## Regarding Resolution 7 of Last Conference.

*Resolved*, That Resolution 7, as set forth, be amended, that every pastor's report, which shows that the assessments were not raised in full, shall be considered defective, passed at the conference session of 1888, be rescinded.

R. S. ROWE.

## Resolution 16

## Amending Rule XXX. of Manual.

*Resolved*, That Rule XXX. of the Manual be amended by striking out the last sentence, beginning, "Pastors whose official reports which are defective in any point, etc."

W. S. PHILLIPS.

## Resolution 17

## The Disbursement of General Conference Assessment.

*Resolved*, That the amount assessed on the District for the expenses of the representatives to the General Conference be sent by the agent to A. N. Wood, pastor of the church, who shall pay the travelling expenses of each representative from the amount, and use the remainder for the payment of the board of the Maryland Delegation.

J. L. MYERS.

## Resolution 18

## Appointment of Postmaster and Collectors.

*Resolved*, That the president appoint a conference postmaster, and the usual collectors at each station of conference.

F. C. KLEIN.

## OBITUARIES

## Rev. Edward Jacob Dreishause

The startling announcement in the Baltimore papers of the death of Dr. Dreishause, sent a wave of sorrow throughout the bounds of the Methodist Protestant Church. He was widely known. His years of cultured work made his name a household word among our people, and everywhere he was esteemed and honored for his services and faithful work for the name of Christ.

He was born in Philadelphia, of Jacob and Mary Dreishause, an honorable family of German origin, March 30, 1830. His parents attended the German Reformed Church, and he received his earliest religious training in that Reformed Church, and he received his ordination in his Bible, in "mezzane association." Dad, according to contemporary writers in his Bible, he "became a subject of saving grace November 29, 1847, in Philadelphia Station, of the Methodist Episcopal Church, then in charge of Rev. Andrew Mareling"; joined a small Episcopal Church, then in charge of Rev. Andrew Mareling; then a man from New York, Alfred Cookman, which so impressed him that he felt called to man the ministry. The impression was subsequently deepened and confirmed. When he was received into the probationary membership of the Methodist Episcopal Church he gave a "retrospect sermon" to the question of governance of then proposed, especially those which pertained to the Methodist Protestant Church. After a time he withdrew, and settled with the Methodist Protestant Church of that city, then under the pastorate of Rev. Peter Light Wilson, with whom, up to the time of his death, he maintained a close intimate friendship.

Within six months he was licensed to exhort, and before the end of the year he was licensed to preach, and united with the Maryland Conference in 1849, and became the assistant to Dr. S. U. Southard on Queen Anne's Circuit. His subsequent appointments were the following: 1851, to Deer Creek; 1852, to Potomac; 1854-5, to Centerville; 1856-7, to Harpers Ferry; 1858-9 to 1860, to Potomac; 1860-1, to Jefferson; 1861, to Philadelphia; 1865, to Marsh 29, D. C.; 1864-6, without appointment. (In California because of impaired health); 1866-7, to West Baltimore; 1867-74, to Marsh 29, D. C.; 1875, Mobile

of "Methodist Protestant." He continued in the editorial chair by election of successive General Conferences, during eighteen years. In recent years he had a supplementary relation to North Baltimore Station. He died April 18th, 1901, aged 75 years.

This man outline of his conference relations gives little indication of his career, successful and useful life amid the vicissitudes of more than half a century.

Early in his transient life he married Miss Henrietta Gibson, of Carlisle, Pa. After a few years of happy married life, during his pastorate in Frederick City, his wife died, leaving him two children—twins. They only survived the mother a short time. Mother and children were buried in the cemetery of that city.

This great affliction, with its attending losses, and the work of a large circuit, seriously impaired his health. He endeavored to continue in the regular work, but realizing that a thorough change was necessary to his recuperation, he sought refuge from the general, and went to San Francisco. He had a brother living there. He soon found remunerative employment, and with improved health applied himself to study, and preached frequently in the churches of that city.

He had attended medical lectures at Jefferson College in Philadelphia, and saw Talbot College in San Francisco offered further opportunities to pursue his medical studies, and he graduated from this college to the title of D. C., in 1858. He never practiced that profession. During that year he returned to Maryland and became the pastor of West Baltimore Station. The second year, in addition to his pastoral duties, he was elected associate editor of the "Methodist Protestant," his next and last associate editor of the Ninth Street Church in Washington, which he served with ability and success for five years.

In 1874 he was elected editor of the "Methodist Protestant," a position which he filled with completeness ability and to the satisfaction of the entire church.

He was elected to the General Conference 1879, and was a member of each successive session of that body until 1901.

April 22nd, 1891, he was married to Miss Angeline Barnes, of Georgetown, D. C. Following, during his editorial life, that he had reached the end of his itinerant career, he located permanently in Baltimore.

In his comfortable and attractive home there was a quiet and peaceful retreat in the closing years of his busy life. There, a hospitable welcome, from him and his wife always awaited his friends. There, undisturbed, he did the work of the Methodist Protestant Church. He was a student in the end of his life. He had many new and valuable books, and he was happy in the midst of them. He received the title of D. D. from Adley College of his own church.

His few, importantest works of his at the beginning of his ministry.

A few words may serve to sketch the editorial outlines as he appeared in social life and faced his losses from the pulpit. Simple in form, erect, manly, affable, yet precise and formal, city-like, exhibiting literary taste and

some degree of English culture, evidently making an effort to adapt himself to all classes among the people.

"In the pulpit, calm, clear, spiritual, argumentative, but his topic rather abstract than fervid; abounding with Scriptural citations rather than the networks of fancy. No beginner in the ministry perhaps ever appeared less in the assembly of his confessional Philadelphia pastor. Fully persuaded of the eternal validity of the Gospel, and boldly grounded theories in his own convictions he realized what was clearly revealed with simplicity and earnestness. Add to this a faultlessly exemplary life and you have imperially, but truly, the beginning of a brilliant church career." In this sketch of the young preacher we see the elements of character, and indications of the secret that marked the man the elements of the success that we know him. With his intense personality and ardent devotion to the great work of the ministry of the Gospel he took his place among the foremost men of the church. As a minister he took high rank among us. Many of his sermons were models of spiritual Scriptural exposition, and always free from cant, and the first and highest impulse rhetoric. He was a man who loved the truth, and the first and highest impulse he felt in the preparation of his sermons was the discovery, the application and the enforcement of the truth.

He had not in him the elements that win popularity with the masses. He was profound, logical and earnest in his presentation of Scriptural truth, and all intelligent auditors were entertained and edified by his preaching.

He was a man who was only appreciated at his full worth by those who knew him well. He was thoughtful, naturally reserved, and careful in what he said. He had well-learned opinions and convictions about things and was loath to give them up. Sometimes, perhaps, he gave offense by his very careful in expressing them. Sometimes, however, found in him a wise and true friend. He loved the church to which he had given his life, and he loved his friend. He loved the church to which he was fellow-laborer in the work with a peculiar affection his brethren who were fellow-laborers in the same cause. While editor of the "Methodist Protestant" he was the ready and vigorous minister of his brethren in many of the new enterprises and critical stages of minister of his brethren for the honor and advancement of the church. Many of our ministers will remember him for his timely and generous loans when others could not or would not come to their relief.

To his thoughtful and sacrificing toil we are indebted for our "Bible School Series of Sunday-school Lessons." He collected other as he goes, but to him belongs the credit of originating these publications which have been so profitable to the church. He translated these publications without compensation, until the General Conference put them under the Board of Publication and as editor was elected to that special work.

He loved the Methodist Protestant Church with singular devotion. In his middle life and in the end of his days he was loyal to his heart's youth, in middle life and in the end of his days he was loyal to his heart's youth. While in the pastoral office he ministered to the sick and to the sick, and to the poor members with unflinching care. His watchword was duty, but it was duty enforced by love. As editor he proved himself a staunch defender

of our fathers and an able advocate of the principles they held and for which they suffered.

For years he cherished the purpose to write the history of his beloved church, and during his eighteen years as editor he was preparing material for this work. When the paper and book concerns were in an flattering condition, he was hospitalized, and protracted care, if not all of his fortitude to its support. When the burden of editorial work was removed from his shoulders he, after a brief rest, entered upon the crossing work of his life. In feeble health, but with tireless purpose, he worked on, hoping to be able to finish what he had begun as a loan to his church and to Methodist everywhere. God spared him to do what never had been done before—write an impartial history of Methodism as related to our own church. During the preparation of this work he visited the credit centers of his brethren, and sought earnestly for the truth wherever it might be found. In his last will and testament he showed his unshying love for his church, making it his heir, subject as it was right to should be, to the possible necessities of his faithful and loving wife. With respect to his church then we write him down as faithful unto the end. He was one of the wise and faithful toilers in building the institutions of the Methodist Protestant Church. One of the original trustees of Western Maryland College, and deeply concerned for its prosperity, he gave his time and best thought to its interests, and retained in its continued growth and great usefulness to the church.

He was deeply interested in ministerial education. This interest was manifested many times by the use of his pen during his long editorial career, by his presidency of the Board of Governors of the Westminster Theological Seminary during the closing years of his life, and by the liberal provisions of his will, whereby it is to be furnished young men preparing for the ministry in the Westminster Theological Seminary. His conception of ministerial education was that of a practical rather than a technical training, and called for the cultivation of a regenerated heart as well as for the development and advancement of the mind.

Social contact with him in the work of the church was delightful. To those who came into close relations with him his clear, cultured mind and warm generous heart made the association both pleasant and beneficial. He was implicitly, tender and confidential. A true brother and a generous and faithful friend. How great our loss! How inestimable his gain! "Faithful unto death he has received the crown of life." Farewell, dear brother, till we meet in the Father's house above!

Funeral services were held in North Baltimore Church, where he was accustomed to worship, and the burial was in the family lot in beautiful Old Ridge Cemetery, Washington, D. C.

R. B. SOUTHERLAND,	H. C. CUMING,
W. S. HARRISON,	J. D. RIDGER,
F. T. ZAGS,	H. L. BLOOMFIELD,
J. S. CLARK,	J. W. HERRING,
DARREL BAKER,	T. A. MORRAN.

#### Rev. Hammond Spencer Lenz.

Hammond S. Lenz, A. M., B. D., the son of George and Hester Lenz, of Westminster, Md., was born December 31, 1877; was converted when about twelve years of age under the pastorate of Rev. J. D. Kilmer, D. D.; received his early education in the public schools at Westminster; was graduated from Western Maryland College in the class of 1903; was also graduated from Westminster Theological Seminary in 1909; received into the Maryland Annual Conference the next year, and appointed to Baltimore; assigned to Potosi in April 1908; departed this life December 31, 1931. But these dates and events do not tell the whole story of his life. Treatment and physical circumstances stand out like mountain peaks. We cannot help but see these. But they only show the general direction some he walked. There is a history of every life which cannot be written. There is a story of the inner man which cannot be put into words. Thus we think of Hammond S. Lenz as a boy, as a student, as a minister. We cannot rightly estimate the worth of his character as it showed in his life, or in any other life. Character to be seen in its true perspective must be viewed from the standpoint of eternity. We even look and now we may get at least a glimpse of that indefinable something known as personality—the real essence of what one is and does. With him you see his entrance into our era as a good man. Acquaintance with him began with my pastorate at Potosi, Maryland. A more intimate acquaintance began with my pastorate at Westminster. In his frequent visits to the home of his parents I came into close touch with him. While I did not know him a long time, I knew him deep enough to see the beautiful spirit he possessed. The religion of Jesus manifest. He had a definite Christian expectation. He was conscientious, his Christ was the very heart of his life; his goals in moments of prophecy; his content in hours of service; his imagination in visions of joy. And he was a ready hand to help of service to others. He gave himself to the Gospel ministry not only because he was good. He gave himself for the extension of Christ's that he might be of service to others. In his and for the extension of education, sure he literally forgot self, his personal interests, his powers of education. He preached earnestly, intelligently, righteously, and with true love. Only a strenuous life. Only a few years of toil, but more than few years was devoted to a heroic service. We transfer his name to the roll of our noblest and most successful ministers. The ministerial qualities of his character, as well as his numerous virtues, bring their message. He was always ready to help in numerous ways, bring their message. He was always ready to help in numerous ways, bring their message. He was always ready to help in numerous ways, bring their message.

"As a preacher I think he was above the average. He was always ready to help in numerous ways, bring their message. He was always ready to help in numerous ways, bring their message. He was always ready to help in numerous ways, bring their message."

F. Raley writes: "He was born of that sturdy character which, after it was properly developed by contact with Christ through the power of His teachings, would permit no flinching in the time of needful duty. He was prompt to rebuke sin, quick to a fault, generous and sympathetic with a keen intellect and indomitable courage that did not brook the idea of failure. I felt likewise, in part, with another.

"Grieve he the turf above thee,  
Friend of my bygone days;  
I know thee but I love thee,  
I named thee but to praise."

The lay members of this committee have also added a word of commendation. Bro. T. C. Rankin, a classmate writes, "A genial companion, an earnest student, a good man." Bro. W. H. Fox refers to his splendid ministry on Fairfax charge in these words: "He was thoroughly conversant in his work. He not only gave an excellent message from the pulpit, but did much personal work among the people. His chief aim was the promotion of his Master's cause." Fulton was the next field of labor. On account of failing health, he was compelled to give up the work after remaining with his people but two or three months. Yet he tarried long enough to leave this impression: "He was filled with the Holy Ghost." So writes Bro. Edward D. H. Thus, a good and useful life has come to an early close on earth. We ask why God should take our brother so soon? Do we mean that more time spent in getting ready for work than in the actual work itself, and more need for earnest, well-equipped workers than ever before? Who can interpret the providence of God? Perhaps it is best for us not to know. Our confidence and hope must ever rest in the beneficent purposes of heaven. Our brother was anxious to live, and why should he not have been anxious to live? He was a young man. He had a promising future. His short ministry had been blessed with signal success and reaching out into larger usefulness. What the power of motive in an earnest desire to live? This desire was actuated by "a want to get well and strong so I can do good in the world." Actuated by the selfish purpose, he made a diligent search for health. In the early fall hoping the bracing mountain air would bring color to his cheek and vigor to his body, but the disease, which for some time had been sapping his strength, wakened and set in, realizing the end was near. Gradually he grew weak in disappointment, but in the sweet spirit of Christian resignation. Not could he have entered the dying chamber just for a moment, we would have heard Seelye we could not have doubted that even then the angels on the other side beneath his heavy burden. Perilous was Seelye to a tired, worn traveler falling toward earth. The funeral services were held at the Methodist Protestant Church, Westminster. Revs. W. A. Deane, T. H. Lewis, D. D., and J. P. Warner,

at pastor, made short addresses. The church was crowded with the people of Fairfax where he had been brought up. Our departed brother made a fitting and impressive witness to his work, but in the sunset and scenes of the past, especially his memory will God fill his most enduring memorial. Not less the scenes of his boyhood days and by the side of the mortal remains of a devoted wife, his body sleeps, waiting for the glory of the resurrection. The services at the grave were conducted by the Marston congregation of Westminster.

L. F. WARREN, A. H. GREEN,  
T. M. DICKLEY, D. P. RALEY,  
T. C. RANKIN, W. H. FOX,  
EDWARD D. H.

#### Rev. Adolphus David Melvin

In the death of this estimable and highly honored minister of the Gospel, the Maryland Annual Conference has lost one of its most active and efficient members, and the church at large one of its most successful ministers. From the time Bro. Melvin entered the conference in 1852 up to and including the conference of 1903, he was uniformly present at roll-call, and an earnest and intelligent participant in the deliberations of the conference sessions. An acquaintance of the minutes will disclose the fact that up to the period of his election to the presidency his name appears in almost every conference as chairman of some of its most important committees. And in the confidence bestowed on him by the members of the conference is due, in no small measure, a great part of the real work of the conference in those days. His plans, suggestions and methods, and the execution of his committees were wise, judicious and useful, and the execution of his committees were wisely changed by the conference. In this, as in every other work in which he was engaged for the church, he gave both his head and his heart. Bro. Melvin will be greatly missed in the sessions of the conference. He was beyond comparison, there was nothing of the prosaic in his nature. He was wonderfully endowed with the faculty of seeing the best and brightest side of everything. This gave him courage, and in this spirit, and with his unshaking dogmatism, he inspired the courage and inspiration to those who were about him. In the social circle his presence was always a delight. His beautiful Christian spirit, his well-illuminated mind, and his gentle, unselfish interest in the surroundings was a very home. His ability to quickly adjust himself to the needs of the young and the middle-aged, he was alike sympathetic and helpful. In 1847, when he was with Christ, on the 13th day of February, 1847, in Kent county, Md., some of the names of his childhood. He was born the 10th of April, 1840, and grew to maturity in the Methodist Protestant ministry. His parents were Anderson W. and Nancy Melvin, both of whom were born and raised in Maryland in 1788 and 1790, County, Md., from which place they moved into Kent County in 1800. He was called on a farm near Chestertown, and it was here that A. D. Melvin was born, and resided until he was twenty-four years old. His father, Anderson W. Melvin, was a layman of the Methodist Protestant Church, very active in church



he considered each place and each man, and did that which he thought just and right when such considerations. As a preacher he was clear and forcible, he suggests he was so clear that he astonished people in some of the meetings. In 1874 he was original and shed much light upon a perplexing point by giving it a practical setting. In application he was intensely practical and forceful, making men feel the power of the Gospel as he applied it to everyday life. He loved to preach, and over and over again during my last visits, he said to me: "I would give anything if I were able to preach again." That this was not to be; God silenced the tongue that was eloquent for Him. In character, Dr. Melvin was gentle, yet strong; kind, yet firm; definite in his convictions, sincere in his friendships; respectful of self and successors of his own importance. His one aim was to glorify Christ in the service and the life he gave to the church. And thus he passed to his heavenly home one who, in a large measure, shared the love of his brethren, who honored God in his ministry, and whose life and good works were a benediction to the church. Funeral services were held in the Methodist Protestant Church at Chestertown, on Wednesday, February 17, Rev. E. T. Little, D. D., president of the conference; Dr. D. L. Greenfield, Rev. R. S. Rowe, C. W. Haddock, and B. F. Treat, taking part in the services. Very touching and appropriate remarks were made by Drs. Little and Greenfield, and a necessary statement was made in the country at Chestertown.

J. D. KIRKIN, E. C. MASONRY,  
R. F. THURTELL, J. W. HERRING,  
WM. F. KING, ISAAC CROSTHER.

#### Mrs. Lydia Koop Price

Lydia Koop Price, wife of Rev. H. H. Price of the Maryland Conference, born March 11th, 1827, died in Delta, Pennsylvania, July 16th, 1903, and buried from the ancestral home—"Moxton Brook"—near Westminster, Maryland, July 19th, by Revs. J. D. Kirkin, L. F. Warner, and C. D. Drossack. She was a Methodist Protestant from childhood and an alumna of Western Maryland College of the class of '54. May 24, 1850, she was married and moved to Dover, Delaware, where she identified herself with all church work so as to win the hearts of the entire community. The following April she moved to Delta, where she began to repeat the brilliant record made at Dover. She awakened religious activities and shaped character among the young people. An amiable disposition, a winsome face, a helpful tongue, and a sincere spirit made her irresistible as a leader. As a Christian her character was so evangelical and her conduct so consistent that all who entered the range of her influence felt the free and new the beauty of a new life. The life cannot be measured by the few short years between her cradle and her grave, for she has left a memory that cannot perish and she has entered the highlands of heaven with an immortality of soul. The bud was not clipped by an untimely frost, but blossomed early—"every winter in heaven is a flower to the garden of God."

J. D. KIRKIN, H. L. HENDERSON,  
L. F. WARNER, E. O. GATHER,  
E. J. BLAIN, W. H. WITSON.

## TABLES FINANCIAL AND STATISTICAL.



COLLECTIONS FOR GENERAL

Charges	AMPT	AMPT	AMPT	AMPT	AMPT	AMPT	AMPT	AMPT	AMPT	AMPT
President	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Conference	5	5	5	5	5	5	5	5	5	5
Madison, Wis.	5	5	5	5	5	5	5	5	5	5
Madison, Wis.	5	5	5	5	5	5	5	5	5	5
Summary	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10
College	15	15	15	15	15	15	15	15	15	15
Boysenmission	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20
Church Miss'n	25	25	25	25	25	25	25	25	25	25
Home M. Socy.	30	30	30	30	30	30	30	30	30	30
Foreign Miss'n	35	35	35	35	35	35	35	35	35	35
Total	40	40	40	40	40	40	40	40	40	40
Yon Hill	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Saukville	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2
Madison	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3
Wausau	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	4
Greenwood	5	5	5	5	5	5	5	5	5	5
Wausau	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	6
Madison	7	7	7	7	7	7	7	7	7	7
Wausau	8	8	8	8	8	8	8	8	8	8
Wausau	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9
Wausau	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10
Wausau	11	11	11	11	11	11	11	11	11	11
Wausau	12	12	12	12	12	12	12	12	12	12
Wausau	13	13	13	13	13	13	13	13	13	13
Wausau	14	14	14	14	14	14	14	14	14	14
Wausau	15	15	15	15	15	15	15	15	15	15
Wausau	16	16	16	16	16	16	16	16	16	16
Wausau	17	17	17	17	17	17	17	17	17	17
Wausau	18	18	18	18	18	18	18	18	18	18
Wausau	19	19	19	19	19	19	19	19	19	19
Wausau	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20

AND LOCAL INTERESTS.

Charges	Total Local Interests	Total All Purposes
Yon Hill	115	115
Saukville	120	120
Madison	125	125
Wausau	130	130
Greenwood	135	135
Wausau	140	140
Madison	145	145
Wausau	150	150
Wausau	155	155
Wausau	160	160
Wausau	165	165
Wausau	170	170
Wausau	175	175
Wausau	180	180
Wausau	185	185
Wausau	190	190
Wausau	195	195
Wausau	200	200
Wausau	205	205
Wausau	210	210
Wausau	215	215
Wausau	220	220
Wausau	225	225
Wausau	230	230
Wausau	235	235
Wausau	240	240
Wausau	245	245
Wausau	250	250
Wausau	255	255
Wausau	260	260
Wausau	265	265
Wausau	270	270
Wausau	275	275
Wausau	280	280
Wausau	285	285
Wausau	290	290
Wausau	295	295
Wausau	300	300











## FINANCIAL SUMMARY

## Total for General Interests

	1944	1943	Increase	Decrease
President.....	\$ 2685	\$ 2656	\$	\$ 29
Conference.....	412	427		15
Missionary Administration.....	544	555		11
Real Estate.....	1796	1776		20
College.....	1530	1553		23
Superannuated.....	5493	5441		52
Church Extension.....	3512	3555		43
Home Missions.....	1909	1775	134	
Foreign Missions.....	2348	2000	348	
Special for Foreign Missions.....	4549	4791		242
Misc.....	455	411	44	112
Tax.....	132	394		262
Church Home.....	514	595		81
<b>Total.....</b>	<b>21383</b>	<b>21410</b>		<b>27</b>

## Total for Local Interests.

Pastor's Salary.....	35516	37734	1781	
Parsonage Rent.....	2421	2187	1944	
Current Expenses.....	2736	2576	2196	
Sunday School Expenses.....	1197	1187	250	
Paid on Building and Improvements.....	5184	5850		666
Miscellaneous.....	2237	2174		297
	6739	5823		158
<b>Total for Local Interests.....</b>	<b>51073</b>	<b>51533</b>		<b>460</b>
<b>Total for all Purposes.....</b>	<b>\$24466</b>	<b>\$21543</b>		<b>2923</b>

## Assessments.

President.....	3600	3800		
Conference.....	475	427	48	
Missionary Administration.....	561	519	42	
College.....	3965	3802		163
Superannuated.....	5416	5441		25
Church Extension.....	4513	4551	380	
Home Missions.....	4184	4188		4
Foreign Missions.....	2530	2041	489	
	2875	2571		304

W. N. STANWOOD,  
Conference Steward.

## STATISTICAL SUMMARY

## Membership

	1944	1943	Increase	Decrease
Classified Ministers and Preachers.....	76	68	8	
Probationers.....	1191	2077		906
Full Members.....	5437	5394	43	4
Probationers at last Conference.....	1551	1492	59	59
Probationers Received.....	1133	1412		279
Probationers Rejected.....	1018	951	67	
Probationers Admitted to Membership.....	9	23		14
Probationers Withdrawn.....	313	325	12	
Probationers Discontinued.....	37	15	22	
Full Members Received.....	2558	2624		66
Full Members Discontinued.....	284	252	32	32
Full Members Withdrawn.....	302	295	7	
Full Members Discontinued.....	274	263	11	
Full Members Discontinued.....	212	211	1	
Sunday Schools.....	8457	8482		25
Sunday School Officers and Teachers.....	2506	2580		74
New Scholars.....	2443	2070	373	1185
Sunday School Scholars on Roll.....	141	110		31
Y. F. S. C. M. Members.....	4021	4148		27
Junior C. E. Societies.....	2182	2000	182	
Junior C. E. Members.....	741	114		627
Adults Baptized.....	1491	1744		253
Candidates Baptized.....	2027	2374		347
Conversions.....				
<b>Property.....</b>				
Appointments.....	205	200	5	
Churches.....	3875	384		3491
Parsonages.....	1454-0	1357-0	977-0	
Value of Church Property.....	230746	237130	6384	
Value of Parsonage Property.....	62185	61326	859	
Debt on Churches and Parsonages.....	96187	626130		529943
Interest on Churches and Parsonages.....	1108	1842		734
Church Papers Taken.....				

H. L. SCHEIDT,  
C. S. DEAN,  
Committee on Statistics.

# 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 duplicate names, 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 1.—Duties of the President.—

1. To call the staff precisely at the hour agreed on at the last adjournment.

2. Preserve the most strict order, and confine the members to the subject under consideration.

3. Not allow improper personalities nor retort upon any religious convictions.

4. Ascertain each person who wishes to speak as to how he shall have addressed the chair by declaring him "The minister from ——" or "The delegate from ——".

5. State a concise title, not exceeding when the question is put and taken, and when he states a point of order, and who will be allowed any formal motions.

6. To not allow to rise when a question is taken unless there be a tie, but he may vote in case of a tie.

7. May call any member to the chair when he wishes to participate in debate at any time.

8. 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 of the session, there shall be a meeting in the interest of Sunday-School Education; on Friday evening, in the interest of Literature and Reading; in the interest of Ministers' Reports, on Monday.

9. 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.

10. The effect of establishing the ministers and members is committed to the advice of the President of the Conference.

11. It shall be the duty of the President to be thankful in statistical reports for all charges investigated.

12. In the event of the death of any ministerial member the President shall immediately appoint an Ordinary Committee from any number at the next district meeting to investigate the same.

13. The failure of the President to visit any church does not vitiate his right in the amount assessed for his salary.

### MANUAL

14. The President shall represent the general interests of the Conference, and shall protect their claims by such a manner and at such times as in his judgment may be necessary. And he shall use his utmost efforts with the Quarterly Conference of the various churches to secure a salary of not less than \$10 for the minister with family, supported as pastor, who has labored five years within the bounds of the Maryland Conference, and he shall urge upon the various churches the prompt payment of the salaries of the pastors.

#### Rule 2.—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 determine 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. To 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 the Conference, including all written resolutions, whether adopted or rejected, and the names and number 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 communications, on which he shall record: First, the reading of any communication in the order of their arrangement in those cases, and second, all communications that may be appointed, and in the order of their appointment.

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

10. Report to the Conference any undischarged business of the preceding annual meeting.

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

12. Supply the pastors with Bibles.

13. He shall have a printed report of the Minutes, ready to be used, which shall be sent to the Office of the Secretary, and shall be used in the order of their appointment.

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### 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—1 Minister, 3 Laymen.
2. Temperance and Order—The Society of Insurance.
3. Public Services—1 Minister, 1 Layman.
4. Church Extension—1 Minister, 1 Layman.
5. Foreign Missions—1 Minister, 1 Layman.
6. Literature—1 Minister, 3 Laymen.
7. Sunday Schools—1 Minister, 3 Laymen.
8. Temperance—1 Minister, 3 Laymen.
9. Benevolent Agencies—1 Minister, 3 Laymen.
10. Financial Relations—1 Minister, 3 Laymen.
11. Official Character—1 Minister, 3 Laymen.
12. Statistics—1 Minister, 1 Layman.
13. Organization of Ministers, 3 Laymen.

14. The committee set to be appointed will the Board of some other committee.

15. Reception—1 Minister, 3 Laymen.
16. Committee on Discipline—1 Minister, 1 Layman.
17. President's Report—3 Ministers, 1 Layman.
18. Sabbath Observance—1 Minister, 3 Laymen.
19. Christian Education—1 Minister, 3 Laymen.
20. Christian Endeavor Work—1 Minister, 3 Laymen.
21. Christian Education—1 Minister, 3 Laymen.
22. Publication of Minutes—The Secretary and 2 Ministers.

21. Committee on Transportation.

22. Committee on Church Extension—2 Ministers, 5 Laymen.

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

#### NOTICES

Rule VI.—Every notice shall be written, signed and read aloud by the mover, handed to the clerk and read aloud by the Secretary, before any order can be taken upon it by the Conference; except motions for adjournment, to be on the table the previous question, or to adjourn.

Rule VII.—Any motion may be divided, if the same will admit of the proposed division.

Rule VIII.—When a question is under debate, no motion shall be received, but to adjourn, to be on the table, for the previous question, to commit, or to substitute, to amend, or to table the order of the day, which several motions shall 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 chooses to speak.

Rule IX.—The question under discussion shall be put whenever a call for it is made by the 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 clerk is to refer one to the standing committee and the other put.

Rule XI.—The meeting is complete, if it be on the table, being divided, that be and the mover has no power to change or to amend without leave.

Rule XII.—A motion, after it is seconded, is in the power of the Conference, and the mover has no power to withdraw or to amend without leave.

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

Rule XIV.—In voting on yeas and nays, the yeas first and lowest time shall be first put. In balloting yeas shall be reported and not reported by the tellers.

#### DISORDER

Rule XV.—When a member dares to prevent our business, or to speak to any question, he shall answer and address the chair, (Brother President), and then dressing the chair, and restoring his membership 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 leave his seat immediately, and to speak, with the President or member who made the call shall in order shall have the right to explain, and the President shall decide.

Rule XIX.—In deciding a question, or order the President shall restrict himself to the rules of order, and any member desirous to be out of order by the President shall be taken without objection by the Conference. The question on each of his appeal, if the Conference sustains the chair, the member shall be allowed to proceed only in order.

Rule XX.—No member shall speak oftener than twice in the same session, without special leave of the 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 explains them in request of, or gives another member requests.

Rule XXII.—Any member shall have the right to call or the reading of the minutes under consideration.

Rule XXIII.—Every member shall report at roll call on the first day's session, and be present at the fully 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 division 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 read the Constitution by reading a portion of the Word of God, singing and prayer.

Rule XXVII.—

1. Examination of the President. The President shall call another member to the chair and read the ANNUAL REPORT. The chairman shall then address the Conference thus: "Brethren, you have heard the report of the President; shall we commend him to his character?" 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, "What is the character of the President?"

2. Read Call. The roll shall then be called, with 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 within the hour of the session to which the calling of the Conference Roll, and the same shall then be carried on the record of the session, accompanied by the signature of the living member, nearest to him, to be announced shall be carried.

Rule XXVIII.—At 10:30 o'clock on the first day of each session of the Annual Conference the President, or another, shall preach a sermon, to be duly announced to the Conference by the President. The President shall also appoint one or more of the lay members to be announced.

Rule XXIX.—At 1:30 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 Board, 4. Church Extension Board, 5. Church Home Board, 6. Pulpit Board, 7. Foreign Missions Board, 8. Our Church Home Board, 9. Bible and Tract Board. The Board of Foreign Missions as one member to serve the following year: 1. Home Board, 2. Conference Board, 3. Our Church Home Board and three laymen, 4. Standing District Committee, 5. Finance and three laymen and three laymen.

10. Committee of Appeals. These members shall be elected and

11. Committee of Appeals. These members shall be elected and the officers appointed by the Conference shall deposit their reports, and the rollbooks, with the clerk of the Conference, such a table of reports, with which shall be placed the charges of the nature of the collection, the name of the parties and the date of the charge. In the box of the Conference Record, the reports and charges shall be placed, and the character shall be handed to the Committee on Official Character.

## MARYLAND ANNUAL CONFERENCE

## ORDER OF BUSINESS FOR THE DURNAL 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 if in order for delegates to present any business from the churches they represent, which may relate upon consanguinity by the Chair, may present any business, it shall be received without debate on the day of business.

Rule XXXIV—The business put 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—While any business is laid before the Conference it may be made the order of the day for any other day of the session and of a specific hour.

Rule XXXVI—Undisposed 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, the President shall inform the Chairman of the way the President may receive 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 seem more properly to admit.

## THE PRESIDENT'S PARAGRAPH.

Rule XL—The Conference shall be opened by the President in the presence of the presiding officers, lay members, and the visiting brethren. The order of the day shall be announced as follows: "The order of the day shall be the reading of the Minutes of the preceding session, which shall be read by the President. The order of the day shall be the reading of the Minutes of the preceding session, which shall be read by the President. The order of the day shall be the reading of the Minutes of the preceding session, which shall be read by the President."

## DUTIES OF STEWARD.

1. The Conference Steward, Church Extension Steward, Representative Fund Steward, Finance Steward, General Home Missionary Steward, Educational Committee Steward, Board of Stewards, and Bible and Tract Steward, shall all report and collect as received from persons.

2. The Board of Stewards shall meet on Thursday morning at 10 o'clock and make its arrangements with the minutes of the previous meeting, and on the next day shall make a report of the same to the Conference. The money in hand shall be placed in the hands of the Conference. The money in hand shall be placed in the hands of the Conference. The money in hand shall be placed in the hands of the Conference.

3. Other duties belonging to the several Stewards shall be performed and reported upon according to duty.

## DUTIES OF PASTORS.

1. The pastor shall seek the cooperation of the Stewards in collecting the assessments made by the Annual Conference, and in collecting the contributions made by the members of the churches.

the quality as contained in the Discipline, under the head of "Duties of Stewards," pp. 194-201.

2. It is the duty of pastors to examine and see that suitable care is had for all churches, so as to secure them to the Methodist Episcopal Church, and, whenever possible, have them incorporated.

3. Pastors are required to announce the President's salary equitably among the several societies, and use their utmost endeavors to collect the same before the annual vote of the President.

4. Pastors are required to see that the families belonging to their respective churches are fully supplied with the Catechism of our Church.

5. Pastors are required to ascertain of those invited 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 subscription made upon his church, whenever may be the likelihood that he may succeed.

7. It is the duty of the pastor to preside on the trial of an accused unordained minister of the Gospel.

8. Pastors are required to report to the Annual Conference the amount contributed to Foreign Missions by the societies of the Western Foreign Missionary Societies, and the credit shall be given the Minutes.

## MEMBERS 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. Read minutes of last meeting.

2. Make necessary corrections in official list.

3. Consider objections to official character.

4. At first Quarterly Conference elect a Secretary, an Advisory Committee and Commission on Resolutions.

5. Make reports:

a. From pastor and delegates.

b. From unordained ministers, preachers and exhortors.

c. From unordained ministers, preachers and exhortors of C. M. Societies.

d. From class preachers, R. E. Superintendents and Presidents of C. M. Societies.

e. From Typists and Stewards.

f. From the Board of Stewards.

6. Hear and decide on appeals.

7. Determine publicly whether candidates for exhorter's and preacher's houses for membership will receive the prescribed course of study and reading.

8. Commend and receive members.

9. Recommend to Board of Missions' Relations.

10. Recommend for orders and licenses.

11. Consider applications of members.

12. Members of the Quarterly Conference.

13. Hear suggestions from Advisory Committee.

14. Prepare who preach quarterly as set apart.

15. Dismissal business.

16. Fix time for next Quarterly Conference.

17. Adjourn with benediction.

## SUFFRAGE AND ELIGIBILITY.

1. Every minister, preacher and exhortor in full connection and otherwise having attained the age of twenty-one years shall be entitled to vote in all cases.



3. All members in full communion and fellowship shall have the right to vote in the election of their representatives, and those who have attained the age of twenty-one years shall be qualified members for the purpose intended in Sections 1 and 4 of Article IV of the Constitution, and in sections 1 and 4 of General Direction of Trustees, found on pages 124 and 125 of this year.

4. Every minister, preacher and lay worker twenty-five years shall be eligible as a representative in the General Conference.

5. Every minister in full communion and fellowship having attained the age of twenty-one years shall be eligible as a Steward, Class Leader and Sunday School Superintendent, 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.

6. No minister shall be eligible to the office of President of the Annual Conference until he shall have faithfully executed the office of Elder two years.

#### ADMINISTERING ORDINANCES.

No person in whose society a license to preach or other solemnity is conferred, is empowered to administer or assist in administering the Christian ordinances.

#### UNBAPTIZED MINISTERS.

The Conference will not recognize as a minister of the Methodist Episcopal Church any man who does not bring credentials from some other well-recognized denomination or who has not received certain testimonies of ministerial character from our own Church. In requiring 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 discourage their use.

#### MORTGAGING CHURCH PROPERTY.

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

#### CRIMINALS.

It shall be the duty of the Committee appointed in accordance with the Rule of Conference to prepare an itinerary, without date, containing a notice of the place and date of the开会 of the conference, the date of its convention, receiving license to preach, and his reception into the Conference, together with any other important facts connected with his history when first admitted into the Church, in addition to the particulars of his death, and said itinerary shall at once be forwarded to the "Methodist Preacher" for publication, and be returned to the secreting minister of Conference.

2. Every ministerial applicant of this Conference is hereby requested to make and keep by him a record of his activities, one of all the persons acts in his Christian and ministerial history.

3. The Minutes of all acts and sessions of the ministerial members of the Conference shall also be published in the Minutes.

#### NOTIONS TO FIX TIME AND PLACE.

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

#### MARRIAGES.

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

#### TITLES AND DEGREES.

References to the degree of Doctor of Theology in the badge of UNIVERSITY work and those of High Administration—degrees which our better Officers confer will count no honorifics to be added for honor, but only for merit in addition to the work done by correspondents, and the man who condescends to bear a title on a conference should be so entitled to the notice of members, and involve the honor of our conference in the estimate of society and institutions. Therefore, this Conference prescribes in a charge of unity and uniformity, and declines to recognize in any way a title as follows:

#### CAMP-MEETINGS.

Camp meetings shall have the approval 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 adjoining territory allotted by the laws of the State.

2. The managers or other officers of the camp-meeting shall not beggars for or receive any portion of the treasury funds so authorized, on the evening of any conference of correspondents, as a consideration for receiving persons to the camp-meeting, at the vicinity thereof on the Lord's day.

3. No encouragement of the preaching of tracts 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 sedition to obstruct the following regulations.

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

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

Applicants to camp-meeting societies may be given four weeks' notice of their appointment, if they find it impossible to attend they shall promptly pre-arrangement, a notice of absence shall be reported to this Conference by the applicant, a notice of absence shall be reported to this Conference by the President.

#### MISSIONARY REGULATIONS.

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

2. Treasurers are instructed to leave the Church Extension collection in the hands of the Treasurers by the end of the second quarter of the conference year.

3. The Committee on Church Extension shall designate what percent of said collections be reported as available for chapel extension purposes the meeting year.

4. Appointments shall not exceed the amount which may lawfully be expended from collections in all sessions.

5. The Church Extension Society of this Conference shall elect seven Trustees from the community of this Conference on one mission field in each year for each mission, who shall hold all the property on one mission field as well as all salaries, and yearly receive the same, but whenever the mission shall be sold as the mission station is transferred, all a meeting society called for the purpose, shall have the power to give their own Trustees to those the same as a church or station, the Church Extension Society shall extend 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, turn themselves into a body or group who shall disaffection from the means of grace or other functions to be used by those who refuse to attend the official sessions of the church, or shall in any other way show disrespect to the church being brought against such persons or persons, the work disaffection.

missionary shall see that the accused are tried according to Discipline trial of members. But should the case, 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 source, and should be selected by mutual entry by one of them shall be suspended or expelled, as the committee may direct. And should the entire failure to the provision of the Discipline for trial of churches, provided, however, that the person convicted shall in any and in all cases where the trial is by committee of trial is selected, at the session next ensuing, where Confession shall be trial.

7. Missions shall hold Quarterly Conferences.
8. Those in charge of pastoral assistant may sever from the church the missionary shall see that the account is filed 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 son, 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 Episcopal Church shall hold membership in a mission and mission at the same time.
11. Until a class is formed in a mission, the missionary shall have authority to receive penitentiary 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. Where a mission because a church or station, the property must be as transferred to the members elected by the qualified members as to second II to the Methodist Episcopal Church.
14. The Board of Managers of the Church Extension Society is empowered to appoint or dismiss trustees in missions during the recess of Conferences.
15. All qualified members shall be entitled to vote for stewards in missions.
16. The Stewards shall pay the traveling expenses of each member of the Board of Managers as do full members in the city.
17. The Board of Managers has full power to act on all matters pertaining to the Church Extension Society in the interests of Conference.

#### SUPERANNUATED FUND REGULATIONS.

1. The Conference or Superannuated Clergymen shall report to Conference all those names which in its jurisdiction, properly belong to the superannuated fund.
2. The two thirds, the Conference for Superannuated and the interest on the Superannuated Fund, are divided, and the Committee is authorized to act accordingly.
3. The Committee in making appropriations shall be governed by the accumulated financial resources of the Conference. They shall, however, according to the consecutive claims of the several members, taking into consideration: 1. The time of service in the Conference. 2. The value of said service to the Conference. 3. The size of family. 4. The peculiarities of location, etc. 5. Ability. 6. The Stewards of the Superannuated Fund shall disburse all moneys coming from the Superannuated Fund Society.
4. When the Committee shall have completed its report it shall be read to the members in the report must be read before each session, during which time 5. The Stewards of the Superannuated Fund hold his office from the time of election until his successors is elected, and he is authorized to receive and disburse the moneys collected from the fund at any time during the year.
6. The Stewards shall make a semi-annual distribution of the funds coming from the Superannuated Fund Society, provided the Treasurer of said Society can make a payment in the interests of Conference.

8. Every pastor is requested to bring to each session of the Annual Conference at least \$5 in addition to the Superannuated Collection to assist any pastor who may be placed on the Superannuated List at that session.
9. The Conference or Secretary of the Superannuated Fund Society shall prepare Superannuated Clergymen with blanks containing the following questions: 1. What is your financial state at present? 2. Do you desire to be superannuated at the meeting next year? 3. What is the number of your family? 4. Are of your children, respectively, single or married? 5. How much does the present tax amount to you? 6. How much does the present tax amount to you? 7. What is the assessed value of the real estate owned by you? 8. Do you attend any church? If not, why not? 9. Do your children attend any Sabbath-school? If not, why not?