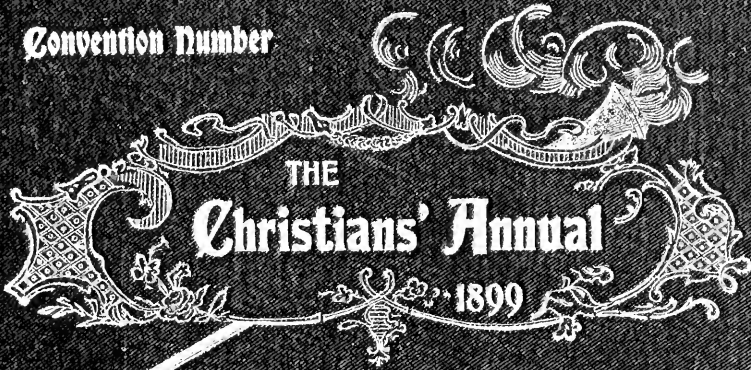


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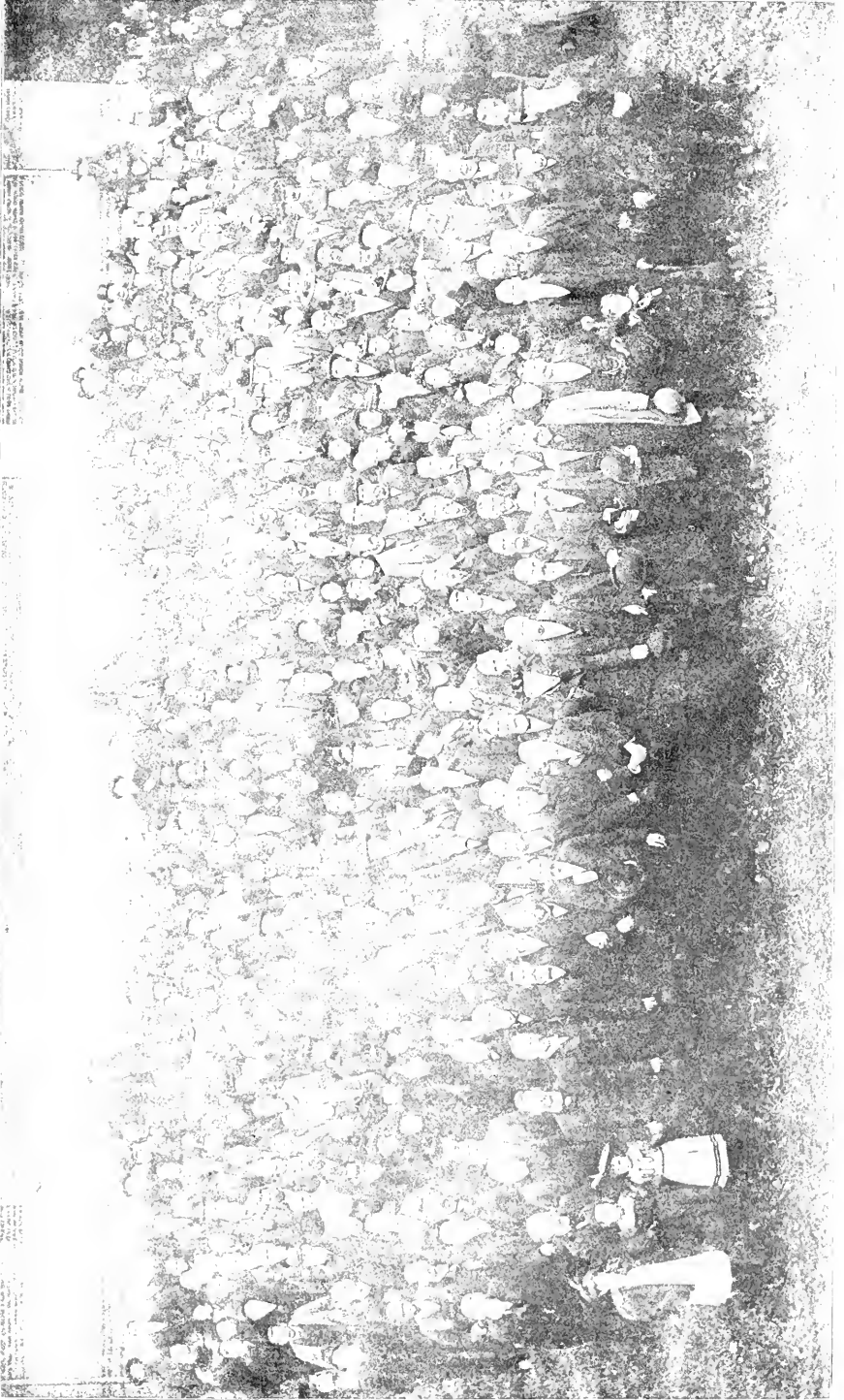
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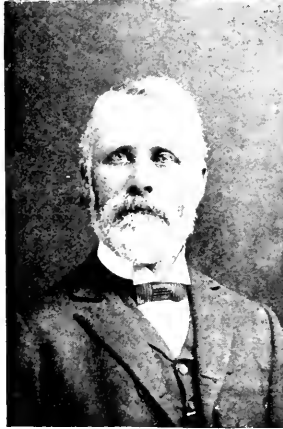
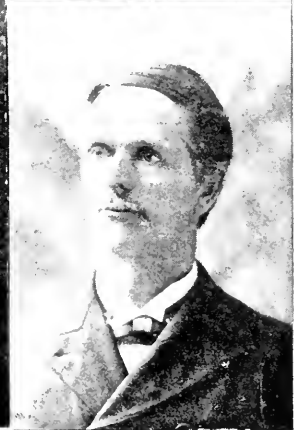
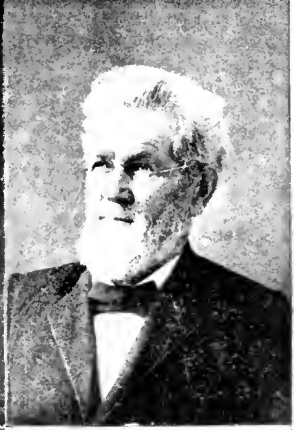


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## PREFACE.

### THE CHRISTIANS.

Do you ask, Who are the people whom this ANNUAL represents? To answer briefly, they are—

1. A people who call themselves simply Christians. They do not arrogate the title to themselves. To that name they accord an equal right to all who accept Christ as Savior and Leader. They cannot, however, accept a human title for a church of which Christ is Founder and Head—a title different from that divinely given to his followers “first in Antioch.” They cannot accept a name whose very enunciation is suggestive of human headship and of party divisions in the one family of Christ.

2. They hold to the union of all believers in the services and sacraments of the church, and in all religious labor for the conversion and salvation of man. They have ever averred that Christian brotherhood is not a kinship of ecclesiastical creation; that the oneness for which Christ prayed is not a unity of opinion, but of spirit; a union not possible to clashing creeds; a union of Pentecostal creation; a fellowship that follows the irresistible attraction of spiritual affinities. They foster friendship and fellowship with all sister denominations, but have no faith in a legislated union of Christ's followers. They believe that genuine unity is of Christian love, and is therefore the logical and normal

relation of all who are Spirit-born into the visible church of Christ. They humbly hope that both by teaching and example they may bear some part in cementing a universal brotherhood and coöperation in which the church of Christ may stand before an amazed and admiring world in the glory of a unity and love that shall be the fit and full answer of our Savior's prayer.

3. They hold that the Bible, being the revealed will of God, should be accepted as the sole source of authority in all matters of faith and practice. It seems to them that if the Bible is God's only written revelation to the world, his church, his children; if it alone has rescued humanity from barbarism; if it is the universally acknowledged manual of Christianity; if Protestantism claims it essential even to the highest mission of the American common school, to the highest, soundest, safest standard of national, civil, social, domestic relations,—if all this is true of the Bible and conditioned upon the Bible, the Christians believe this Book to be also the highest, the best, the only inspired and divinely authorized manual of doctrine, reproof, correction, and instruction in righteousness.

4. They allow and vindicate the right of individual judgment in the interpretation of the Bible, making the Christian life and spirit the only test of Christian fellowship. They

believe it to be Christ's own teaching that those who, in spiritual union with him, do his will, shall know the doctrine that is of God, and shall be guided into the truth by the Spirit of truth. This privilege, therefore, of candid, intelligent interpretation leads true disciples *into* the Scriptural conditions of Christian fellowship, and not *away* from those conditions. Herein, again, would the Christians help to make the church of Christ one as he and the Father are one.

#### THE ANNUAL.

The title of this volume tells at once the nature of its contents. But the variety and value of the matter published cannot be told in a mere title. An Annual of such fullness and diversity of contents has been produced by no other denomination. Remarkable evolution this from the 54-page *Christian Almanac* of 1872. Look over its index, turn its pages, scan its contents, walk through its art gallery and get inspiration from the faces of faithful servants—some yet toiling, some translated—faces of “honorable women and men not a few.”

#### ITS CONTENTS IN GENERAL.

A summary are these of all information concerning the Christians. They are a library of gathered facts. They are a casket of statistical treasures. They are an encyclopedia of instruction. They are an answer to every-day and constantly-arising questions. Who we are, what we are, where we are—location of our churches, their growth, their gifts—ask about any of these things—about many other things—and this ANNUAL for 1899 makes reply.

#### CONTENTS IN PARTICULAR.

These embrace minutes of conventions, conferences, names and locations of same, their strength,



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their officers, their ministers and addresses; State Associations, their officers, department secretaries, etc.; the Southern Christian Convention, its officers, ordained and unordained ministers, addresses, and other matters that concern the whole brotherhood; reports on Education, Missions, Sunday School, Christian Endeavor, prayer-meeting topics for the year, with weekly dates, subjects, and Bible references; colleges and the Biblical School, with their locations. To be yet more specific, the ANNUAL for the year 1899 contains much more matter than any like publication of the past. These fuller and specially valuable contents consist of important minutes, in part as follows:

1. General Christian Convention, Union Mills, N. Y., 1834.
2. Christian General Book Association, New York City, 1838.
3. Christian General Book Association, Stafford, N. Y., 1842.
4. Christian General Book Association, Union Mills, N. Y., 1846.







5. Christian General Convention, Marion, N. Y., 1850.

Christian General Book Association, Marion, N. Y., 1850.

6. American Christian Convention, Newmarket, Ontario, 1898.

Christian Publishing Association, Newmarket, Ontario, 1898.

#### THE NEWMARKET CONVENTION.

This being our latest and in some respects the most important of all our general conventions, its minutes, reports, papers, revised statistics, etc., are all published in this ANNUAL, filling forty-one pages. Thirty pages additional are devoted to minutes, reports, and many valuable facts concerning the Christian Publishing Association. Thus it is seen that the first one hundred pages of the ANNUAL are themselves a

#### GOLD MINE OF INFORMATION,

Devoted as they are to conventions whose valuable history has been to the general reader hitherto wholly unavailable. As to the Newmarket meeting, several of its papers herein published are gems worthy to be preserved and often read for their beauty of spirit, excellence of thought, and elegance of expression.

#### MORE AND MORE.

Following the class of contents above described are many more pages of latest and most carefully prepared statistics—pages of facts, figures, faces that will make the volume a treasure in the library and an attraction on every center-table. Children who have access to this ANNUAL will gain a fuller knowledge of, and awaken to a new interest in, the church and the religious work of their parents. Hence it is

#### A BOOK FOR EVERY FAMILY—

(1) Because it represents our people, our views, our growth, our

strength, plans, purposes, and prospects. (2) Because it is the only publication of the kind for our people. (3) Because more full of photography than any Year Book preceding it, or any ever produced by other denominations. (4) Because it is the 1899 ANNUAL—the last of the century—a centennial memorial and reminder of those simultaneous movings in men's minds and hearts, which, in 1801, broke out at Cane Ridge in Pentecostal flame and ecclesiastical freedom—in tongues of fire that had already made O'Kelley and Jones eloquent in the speech of a more perfect spiritual emancipation.

#### BINDING.

Yes, cloth binding is a little dearer than paper, but this grand ANNUAL is not a mere almanac for a year or a novel that bears but a single reading. This is a volume for preservation, for the library, and for frequent future reference. It is a volume for your center-table, your children, visitors, guests, and friends. Its uses and its value are not limited to your own lifetime, but will be precious to other generations. Pamphlets and all paperbacks are quickly mislaid and lost. For these and other reasons you will want the ANNUAL in its excellent and durable cloth binding.

#### ITS PRICE.

One who has been a printer and publisher many years wonders how our ANNUAL for '99 can be published and cloth-bound at fifty cents. Agent Stoddard does this in three ways: By a skilful economy, a wide experience in publishing, and his strong faith in this ANNUAL'S large and quick sale. Let our people be quick to purchase. The photographs themselves, worth hundreds of dollars, should put this great year book into every home. Quick purchases will pay a debt of grati-

tude to Agent Stoddard. He has never before given to our people so much at so small a cost. Ministers and members should all have the *Herald of Gospel Liberty* and every ANNUAL and every volume issued from our own Publishing House. In so doing our people will give their proper and helpful support to Editor Summerbell, the Agent, and the newly elected Board of Trustees.

These officers have accepted their positions with the high purpose, under divine guidance, of four years' earnest devotion to the interests of our paper, the success of our Publishing House, and the hearty, harmonious coöperation of the brotherhood, east, west, north, and south, in carrying forward the providential mission of our people.  
H. Y. RUSH.

\*PLACES AND DATES OF OUR SEVENTEEN QUAD-  
RENNIAL CONVENTIONS.

1. Union Mills, New York, October, 1834.
2. New York City, October, 1838.
3. Stafford, New York, October, 1842.
4. Union Mills, New York, October, 1846.
5. Marion, New York, October, 1850.
6. Cincinnati, Ohio, October, 1854.
7. New York City, October, 1858.
8. Medway, New York, October, 1862.
9. Marshall, Michigan, October, 1866.
10. Oshawa, Ontario, Canada, October, 1870.
11. Stanfordville, New York, October, 1874.
12. Franklin, Ohio, October, 1878.
13. Albany, New York, October, 1882.
14. New Bedford, Massachusetts, October, 1886.
15. Marion, Indiana, October, 1890.
16. Haverhill, Massachusetts, October, 1894.
17. Newmarket, Ontario, Canada, October, 1898.

NOTE.—The minutes of the first five and last named conventions above are printed in this ANNUAL. In connection with the minutes are credited articles which give information about the meetings before and after they convened. These articles are explanatory as well as interesting.

NOTE.—It is our aim to issue a Centennial Number of the ANNUAL for 1900. However, the minutes of 1854, and later conventions, will be given. This done, and in two or three numbers the ANNUALS will contain *all* the minutes of *all* our quadrennial sessions.

\*Conventions and other general meetings have been held besides these.


 THE CONVENTION OF 1834.—64 Years Ago.

The convention, which is appointed to meet in this place\* next October is looked for by us with satisfaction and pleasure. We expect it will be one of the most enlightened and pious bodies of men ever assembled among us. We do not anticipate any division or contention, and hope all who come will have the good of the cause at heart. If we have different opinions, relative to the best means of promoting the general interest, we will all in candor and faithfulness express our views to each other—then quietly submit to the wishes of the body at large. Let us all be determined to act in unison. . . . The people will be united if the ministers agree. We will meet in union and part in love and peace. . . .—*Joseph Badger, Editor, Christian Palladium, July 1, 1834.*

On the 23d ult. delegates from eleven Conferences, accompanied by a large number of Elders and brethren, met in this place\* from different states and formed one of the largest and most respectable Conventions ever held in the Christian Connection. There never was a Conference or Convention, of any description, held among us, in which were associated so many Conferences and such a general representation. All the Elders came together with one object; which was to consult together for the general good, and for the advancement of the Redeemer's kingdom. All were desirous for some system of general action, in which the strength and talent of the whole body might be brought into successful operation. The opinions of the delegates, however, differed in some respects relative to the means which should be employed. When we heard the representation of the feelings and wishes of the people made in this body through their representatives, we thought all present were convinced that the time had come for something of a *general nature* to be organized. . . . The Convention lasted four days—and resulted in an organization of a "*Christian General Book Association*," . . . a full account may be expected in our next.—*Joseph Badger, Editor, Christian Palladium, November 1, 1834.*

\*The place of meeting was Union Mills, N. Y.

We now redeem our pledge to give a further account of the Convention. The following minutes and acts of that body . . . we think will give a general view of what they have done and intend to do. . . . The formation of the "*Christian General Book Association*" is designed to be a *business department* for the whole connection. It is not to be a court of appeals; it is not to legislate upon the faith of our brethren, but simply to superintend our books and periodicals, that the connection may assume a character; that the public may not be imposed upon; and to allay those jealousies and fears of individual speculation which have heretofore existed. . . . The time was too short to adopt any measures for the promotion of education among us, yet we believe all feel the importance of some systematical co-operation on this subject. . . . We are far from believing that an education alone, or without any other qualification, is sufficient to make a minister of Christ. But we believe God must endow the man with natural qualifications and call him to the work; and we further think he should use all laudable exertions to be accomplished in his profession, that he may be a workman who has no occasion to be ashamed. All classes of people, whether ignorant or learned, feel the most interested and are the most benefited, by the enlightened and accomplished minister; but, as an aged Methodist once said, "*Holiness is the greatest qualification for a minister.*" We say, that man is the best minister who wins the most souls to Christ and promotes the most rational and pure devotion among the saints. We are advocates of education and spirituality. . . . We now submit the following minutes and the great objects aimed at by the Convention.—*Joseph Badger, Editor, November 15, 1834.*

## MINUTES.

*Proceedings of the General Christian Convention, held at the Christian Chapel at Union Mills, Montgomery County, New York, October 23, 24, 25, and 27, 1834.*

The Convention was called to order on the morning of the 23d ult., by Elder Mark Fernald, he being the oldest minister present. After the throne of grace was addressed, a committee of three, consisting of Elders David Ford, Levi Hathaway, and J. V. Himes, were appointed to nominate proper officers for the Convention, who in a short time reported the following nominations: For president, Elder Frederick Plummer, of the city of Philadelphia; for secretaries, Elder Simon Clough, of Fall River, Mass., and Elder David Millard, of West Bloomfield, N. Y.

The following delegates appeared and took their seats: New Hampshire Conference, Elder Mark Fernald; Massachusetts Conference, Elder Joshua V. Himes; New Jersey Conference, Elder Simon Clough; New York Eastern Conference, Elder David Ford; New York Central Conference, Elder Joseph Marsh; New York Northern Conference, Elder Ira Allen; New York Western Conference, Elder Allen Crocker; New York Erie Conference, Elder Oliver Barr; Philadelphia Conference, Elder Frederick Plummer; Pennsylvania Conference, Elder Job J. Harvey; Ohio Central Conference, Elder Isaac N. Walter.

*Resolved*, That all visiting brethren who are present or who may attend this Convention, be invited to take a seat and participate in our deliberations.

The following ministers were present: New Hampshire, Elder Asa C. Morrison; Massachusetts, Elders Elijah Shaw and Henry Plummer; New Jersey, Elder William Andrew and Philetus Roberts; New York, Elders Joseph Badger, David Millard, John S. Gardner, Elias D. Terry, Levi Hathaway, Keyes Coburn, Jabez King, John Ross, John Spore, Richard Rider, Niel Perry, James Andrews, Joshua Hayward, Maxon Mosher, Wilson Mosher, and many private brethren; Pennsylvania, Elders John H. Currier and Lorenzo D. Fleming.

The Convention being organized, Elder J. N. Walter arose and announced the death of his colleague, Elder Lawrence, and presented the following resolution, which was seconded by Elder D. Millard:

*Resolved*, That while we would humbly bow in submission to the righteous mandates of heaven, although in many instances allusive and mysterious, we deeply deplore the sudden fall of our lamented brother, Elder Jonas Lawrence, one of the delegates-elect to this convention, from the Ohio Central Conference. His talents, piety, and usefulness we warmly appreciate, and while his memory is embalmed in the hearts of thousands, we would respond our sympathies, especially to his relatives and the church at Conneaut, Ohio, who mourn the loss of their beloved pastor. "The memory of the just shall be blessed."

Elders I. N. Walter, E. Shaw, and J. Marsh were appointed a committee to arrange and prepare the business to be presented to this convention.

*Resolved*, That no person be allowed to speak more than twice on one question, without permission from the chair.

Here a lengthy discussion took place which lasted about two days, on the nature of the call under which we had assembled, and on the proceedings of the Executive Committee and the editor, who were appointed at the Milan convention, which was brought to a close by the following resolution:

*Resolved*, That whereas the delegates differ as to the call under which they have assembled, the one part considering they were elected as members of a Convention, and the other that they were elected as members of the "*Christian Union Book Association*," that we now resolve ourselves into a Christian convention.

*Resolved*, That a committee of nine be appointed

by the chair to take into consideration all the objects referred to this body by the Milan convention, and to report to us resolutions relative to those subjects.

The following were duly appointed said committee, viz.: Elders E. Shaw, L. Hathaway, A. Crocker, A. C. Morrison, I. Allen, D. Ford, M. Fernald, J. Marsh, and O. Barr.

After a long and faithful investigation, the committee presented the following report, which with some trifling amendment was unanimously adopted.

#### Report.

We, your committee appointed to take into consideration the objects referred to this convention by the convention held at Milan, N. Y., last year, beg leave to report the following resolution:

*Resolved*, That we so far adopt a resolution of the Milan convention, that this convention now form and organize itself into an association to be known by the name of the "Christian General Book Association," composed of one delegate from each local Conference.

*Resolved*, That the officers of this Association be a president, two secretaries, and an executive committee of twelve, which executive committee shall transact and manage such business as may be comfortable to the instructions and powers we give them.

*Resolved*, That in all questions brought before said Association, each member shall be entitled to as many votes as there are ordained preachers in the Conference he represents, except on questions relating to the existence of the body, on which questions each member shall be entitled to one vote only.

*Resolved*, That the only object of this Association is to publish, or cause to be published, such periodicals, books, or publications as they or their executive committee shall from time to time deem advisable.

*Resolved*, That the Executive Committee shall possess the following powers during the recess of our meetings: 1. To publish, or cause to be published, a semi-monthly periodical of the character and form of the *Christian Palladium* at the present location of that periodical, and in case a removal should be necessary that it be fixed at the nearest convenient place. 2. To make such improvements in said periodical as its patronage and funds shall permit, by putting all the profits arising therefrom into the work. And also to issue any other publications which they may deem warrantable. 3. To appoint or remove the editor of said periodical. 4. To fill all vacancies in their own body occasioned by death or resignation. 5. To appoint all necessary officers to facilitate the business assigned them. 6. To appoint a special meeting of this



ELDER MARK FERNALD.

*"The convention was called to order by Elder Mark Fernald, he being the oldest minister present."*

Association whenever two-thirds of their number shall deem such meeting advisable. 7. To control and manage all funds of the body and to transact any other business consistent with these powers.

*Resolved*, That it shall be the duty of this committee, or a quorum of them, to meet at least once a year to examine and credit all accounts, and to transact such other business as they may deem necessary, conformable to their powers. And also to render in a written report to the Association when convened, embracing a faithful account of their proceedings.

*Resolved*, That the Executive Committee enter immediately on their official duties, and that they commence the publication of our periodical the first of May, 1835.

*Resolved*, That the following elders be the Executive Committee of this body, viz.: David Ford, Elijah Shaw, Ira Allen, John Spore, Jr., David Millard, Joseph Marsh, Mark Fernald, Oliver Barr, Jasper Hazen, Isaac N. Walter, Joshua V. Himes, and Frederick Plummer.

*Resolved*, That Elder Joseph Badger be our editor, David Ford, Elijah Shaw, Allen Crocker, Joseph Marsh, Oliver Barr, Asa C. Morrison, Levi Hathaway, Mark Fernald, Ira Allen.

*Resolved*, That the Christian Psalmist and Millard & Badger's Hymn Book (by the consent of the proprietors) become the property of the Christian General Book Association, and be introduced to the churches as the Hymn Books of the Connection.

*Resolved*, That to carry into effect so desirable an object, this Association solicit the proprietors of the Psalmist, to transfer the plates and blocks of said book to this Association, on their obligating themselves to pay for them at cost when the proceeds of the book shall warrant it.

*Resolved*, That the first regular meeting of this Association shall be held in four years from the first Wednesday in this month, in such place as the Executive Committee shall appoint, six months notice to be given in our periodical to the Conferences for the appointment of their delegates.

*Resolved*, That this Association is not bound for the fulfilment of any contract or contracts which have been made by either the Christian Book Association, the Milan Convention, or the Genesee Christian Association.

*Resolved*, That although the objects for which the Executive Committee were appointed at the Milan Convention have not been fully realized, viz., the establishment of a weekly paper, yet no blame is to be attached to them, as they have exerted themselves to the utmost of their power.

*Resolved*, That we highly approve of the course pursued by Elder J. Badger, in conformity to the advice of Elders Hazen and Spore, in publishing the *Christian Palladium* in its present semi-monthly form.

*Resolved*, That the thanks of this body be presented to Elder J. Badger and the church and society in this place for the kind manner in which they have received and entertained us during our protracted session.

Read and accepted the minutes.

Adjourned to the first Wednesday in October, 1838.—*Christian Palladium*, Nov. 15, 1834.

### THE CONVENTION OF 1838.—60 Years Ago.

On the 3d inst., (day after to-morrow,) the Christian Convention is to meet in the city of New York for general consultation and mutual coöperation in carrying forward the general Book Concern, electing new officers, etc. We expect there will be a more perfect representation than has ever been had in any meeting in the Christian Church. If the members come together in love, with the good of the cause at heart, the meeting will be harmonious and useful. These are exciting times for large bodies of men to come together with different opinions; but all will be well if Christian liberty is the object, and exciting political subjects are left out of the question.—*Christian Palladium*, Oct. 1, 1835.

#### BOOK ASSOCIATION.

The meeting of the Book Association took place in the Christian Chapel in New York City, October 3d, and continued in session three days. The representation was general from Maine to Ohio. Many brethren who were not delegates were on the spot to aid by their counsel and prayers; and, with very few exceptions, the utmost harmony and good feeling prevailed through the whole. Nothing could have been more perfect and satisfactory than the order and arrangement of Elder Walter and the society for the accommodation and entertainment of the numerous visitors.

At the opening of the Convention, Elder Abner Jones took the chair and called to order. In his opening address he reverted to the rise and progress of the Christian society in an able and feeling manner. He urged upon the brethren spirituality, zeal,

#### THE CONVENTION.

As far as we have yet been able to learn, the proceedings of the convention give good satisfaction. We have not heard of an individual among our ministers or brethren who are opposed to the measures adopted. It is not to be expected in a young society like ours that everything which is necessary to be done can be accomplished at once. If we have succeeded to the satisfaction of the body in organizing a business department one great and important object, long desired, is accomplished. . . .

It is likely some of our friends will think more should have been accomplished at the convention; but all should reflect that the session was short and the convention concluded that by appointing a large committee, who are men of talents, and so situated in different sections of the country that they could at all times ascertain the wants of the people, that it was best for the present to consign all business to them. A beginning is made—a judicious committee is appointed, in whose wisdom and ability we (and we believe the connection at large) have the utmost confidence. We are of opinion that their deliberations and mutual exertions will, with the blessing of God, have a saving, uniting, and strengthening influence in the church. They are twelve in number. If they possess the spirit, and adhere strictly to the doctrine and example of the twelve apostles of Jesus Christ, their labors will be a blessing, and they will be sure to receive the approbation of our glorious Redeemer in heaven and His Holy Church on earth.

The cause of Emanuel is dear to us all, and when we see measures adopted which we are confident will be for its rapid advancement, it is a matter of great joy to us. But when we discover measures in operation which we are sure will retard its progress, or when we behold a shameful indifference or coldness among our brethren, in coming up to the help of the Lord against the mighty influence which is exerted against us, it is disheartening and a matter of the deepest lamentation among all the true friends of Christ. But nothing should discourage us—we must endure hardness as good soldiers—hold fast to the end and our reward is sure.—*Christian Palladium*, Dec. 1, 1834.

and union, and closed by requesting all to covenant with him to devote themselves wholly to God, after which all knelt down while he poured out his soul in the most fervent manner to the Throne of Grace in prayer. . . . The president and all the officers presided and discharged their duties with honor to themselves and satisfaction to the meeting. . . . The minutes may be expected soon. We doubt not this meeting and its proceedings will give general satisfaction, and add great strength to the Book Association.—*Christian Palladium*, Oct. 15, 1835.

#### ABSTRACT OF THE MINUTES OF THE CHRISTIAN GENERAL BOOK ASSOCIATION.

The members of the Christian General Book Association assembled in the city of New York, October 3, 1838. Meeting called to order; Elder A. Jones in the chair. Opened by prayer by the President *pro tem*. Elders J. Hazen and J. Marsh were appointed a committee to receive the credentials of the several delegates to this convention. The following delegates appeared and took their seats: New Hampshire Conference, Elder E. Shaw; Massachusetts Conference, Elders S. Clough, A. Jones, and C. Morgridge; Vermont Conference, Elder J. Hazen; New York Eastern Conference, Elders J. Marsh, J. Spoor, and D. Ford; New York Central Conference, J. Badger, D. Millard, and J. W. Guthrie; New York Western Conference, Elder E. Adams; New York Erie Conference, Elder O. Barr; Ohio Conference, Elders D. Long, D. F. Ladley, and I. N. Walter; New Jersey Conference, Elders J. S. Thompson and J. H. Currier; Philadelphia Conference, Elders F. Plummer,

J. Blackmarr, and J. Bent; Pennsylvania Conference, Elders Wm. Cummings and J. Ellis.

The chair appointed J. Badger, J. S. Thompson, and D. F. Ladley a committee to nominate the officers of the convention. The following were then nominated and appointed: for President, I. N. Walter; Secretaries, Jasper Hazen and Oliver Barr. Invited all visiting ministers present to a seat with us and participation in our deliberations. On the second day of the session, Brother W. Clark, from the Rhode Island and Connecticut Conference, appeared and took his seat.

The several sessions were opened with prayer, and conducted in the kind and conciliatory spirit of the Gospel of Christ. The following resolutions were passed:

1. *Resolved*, That the minutes of the last convention, as published in the *Palladium*, Vol. III, No. 14, be transcribed by our secretaries on a book of records, which we authorize them to procure for that purpose.

2. The report of the Executive Committee read, accepted, amended, and adopted.

3. *Resolved*, That D. Millard, J. Hazen and O. Barr be a committee to draft a general circular in behalf of this Association, and that the benevolent object of the 14th Section of the report of the Executive Committee be one special object kept in view in said circular.

4. *Resolved*, That our Executive Committee be instructed to take measures immediately to have this Association incorporated according to law.

5. *Resolved*, That from the elegance of the style and clearness of the argument of the book entitled, "True Believer's Defence," we recommend the Executive Committee to make an arrangement with the author, Elder C. Morgridge, to keep a constant supply of the work on hand for the purpose of general distribution.

6. Pursuant to nomination, appointed—Elder David Millard, editor of the *Christian Palladium*, after the close of the current volume. Appointed the following persons the Executive Committee of the Association: Elder J. Hazen, of Vermont; Elder Charles Morgridge, of Massachusetts; Elders J. Marsh, J. Bailey, D. Ford, O. E. Morrill, E. Adams, and J. E. Church, of New York; William Smith, of Michigan; Elders D. Long and I. N. Walter, of Ohio; Elder J. S. Thompson, of New Jersey.

7. *Resolved*, That the Editor and Executive Committee have faithfully and independently discharged their duties, and that we tender them our sincere thanks for their disinterested services.

8. *Resolved*, That the business of the *Christian Psalmist* be referred to the Executive Committee of this Association.

9. *Resolved*, That the subject of the Luminary be referred to the same committee.



ELDER ISAAC N. WALTER.

"*Resolved*, That we tender our thanks to Elder I. N. Walter, our president, for the impartial, faithful, and honorable manner he has presided over our deliberations."

10. *Resolved*, That the thanks of this body be presented to Elder I. N. Walter and the society under his pastoral care, for the liberality and Christian kindness shown by them in the generous entertainment they have given us during this session of the Association.

11. *Resolved*, That we tender our thanks to Elder I. N. Walter, our president, for the impartial, faithful, and honorable manner he has presided over our deliberations.

The convention closed its session by the following religious services: A short address by Elder J. Hazen, prayer by Elder J. Marsh, benediction by the President.

The session was a harmonious one—almost perfect unanimity prevailed on the adoption of the several resolutions, and everything seemed to point to future strength and usefulness. In the course of the business, two interesting communications were read—one from Elder Mark Fernald, of Maine, and one from Elder J. Knight, of Michigan. J. HAZEN, O. BARR, Secretaries.—*Christian Palladium*, Nov. 7, 1835.



THE CONVENTION OF 1842.—56 Years Ago.

THE CONVENTION.

October 5, delegates from eleven conferences met in convention at Stafford, N. Y. Several other conferences had appointed delegates to attend this meeting, but for causes unknown the delegates did not arrive. A large number of ministers and brethren from different conferences were also in attend-

Christian virtue and knowledge of our beloved Zion.—*Joseph Marsh, Editor, Christian Palladium, Nov. 15, 1842.*

ASSOCIATION'S THIRD MEETING.

[Extract from the minutes of the proceedings of the third meeting of the Christian General Book



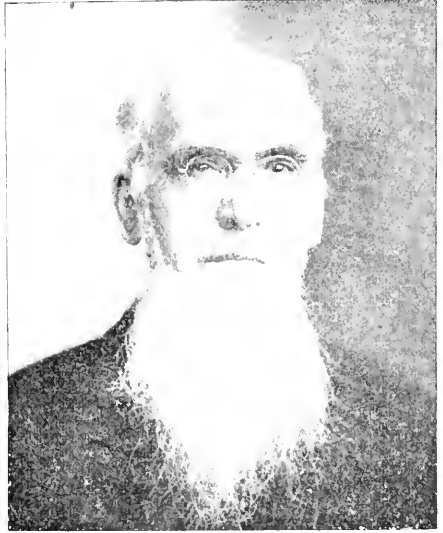
REV. J. D. CHILD, D.D., LL.D.

*Born May 15, 1817. Been a life-long lover of the principles of the Christian Church. He has proven himself a wise counsellor and a fearless leader. Twenty years the honored pastor of the Shelby Christian Church. Eight years county judge. Sixty years a faithful member of the New York Western Christian Conference. Attended the convention of 1842. Now resides at Shelby, N. Y.*

ance. Elder Millard was present and in health. He was cordially welcomed to the land of his home and friends, many of whom listened with high satisfaction to the relation of the interesting facts gathered on his recent visit to the land of Bible scenes. The result of his researches will, in a few months, appear in a printed volume, the matter for which he is now preparing for the press.

The convention continued in session three days. Much business was transacted, some of which, as may be seen from the minutes which follow this article, is new and closely connected with the vital interests of the Association and the cause of our brethren at large. We hope all will result in the glory of God.

It will be seen that in future the *Palladium*, instead of one resident editor, will be edited by three corresponding editors. The business at the *Palladium* office will be conducted by a Publishing Agent. I am well pleased with this arrangement so far as I am connected with it. . . . Elder Seth Marvin, the Publishing Agent, is trustworthy and will fill his responsible station with the strictest integrity. . . . For the present we can only express our most ardent desires for the future prosperity of the Association, with which we have long been connected, and for the increase in numbers, but more especially in true



REV. S. M. FOWLER.

*Born July 17, 1817. A reader and a writer. Is still in good health; preaching some. Has a pleasant home at 517 Elm Street, Kalamazoo, Mich., where he now resides. Attended the convention of 1842.*

*"Only waiting till the shadows  
Have a little longer grown;  
Only waiting till the glimmer  
Of the day's last beams are flown.  
Then from out the gathering darkness,  
Holy deathless stars shall rise,  
In whose light my soul shall gladly  
Tread its pathway to the skies."*

Association, assembled in convention at Stafford, N. Y., on the 5th, 6th, and 7th of October, 1842.]

The convention was called to order by Elder John Ross, Secretary of the Executive Committee, when, upon a call of the delegates, the following members appeared and took their seats, to-wit:

- Vermont Eastern Conference—Jasper Hazen.
- New York Eastern—John Ross, John H. Currier.
- New Jersey—Simon Clough.
- New York Central—Joseph Badger, Joseph Bailey, Ezra Marvin, Obadiah E. Morrill.
- New York Northern—Lyman Perry.
- New York Western—Ezra Smith.
- Erie—Jeremiah Knowles, Jesse E. Church and Oliver Barr.
- Ohio Central—Oliver True.
- Miami—Hiram Simonton.
- Deer Creek—Henry Bradford.
- Michigan Eastern—Stephen Fellows, George S. Osborn.

The convention then unanimously elected Elder Jasper Hazen, President; and Elder John Ross and Lyman Perry, Secretaries, and after prayer proceeded to business.

*Resolved* 1. That the brethren in the ministry who are or may be present during this convention, be invited to take seats with the delegates and participate in the deliberations of the Association.

2. Received the report of the Executive Committee of the Association, which was unanimously adopted by the convention.

3. *Resolved*, That we continue the publication of the *Christian Palladium* in its present form—print it on new type, on better paper, enlarge its columns by lessening the margin, and publish it once in two weeks, at one dollar per annum.

4. *Resolved*, That we deem it expedient to publish, once in two months, in conjunction with the *Palladium*, a magazine of 96 pages octavo, called the *Christian Repository and Review*, at two dollars per year.

5. *Resolved*, That the subject of continuing the Book Establishment at Union Mills, or of removing it, be submitted to the Executive Committee.

6. *Resolved*, Unanimously, that the petition of the Ohio delegation, for the concurrence of this body to publish a periodical in the state of Ohio, as soon as the times will admit, auxiliary to the *Christian Palladium*, to be under the direction and control of an association to be organized by the Christian Conferences in the western states, be granted.

7. *Resolved*, Unanimously, that Elders Jasper Hazen, of Vermont; Thomas Henry, of Upper Canada; Charles Morgridge, of Massachusetts; James W. Marvin, of Ohio; John Cannon, of Michigan; Jesse E. Church, of Pennsylvania; Lyman Perry, David Ford, Ezra Marvin, Joseph Badger, O. E. Morrill, and Ezra Smith, of New York, be and they are hereby appointed the Executive Committee of this Association.

8. *Resolved*, That we appoint three editors and a publishing agent to conduct the *Palladium* after the close of the present volume.

Whereupon Elders Joseph Marsh, Oliver Barr, and John Ross were unanimously appointed editors of the *Palladium*, and Elder Seth Marvin publishing agent.

9. *Resolved*, That we have an association of editors for conducting the *Christian Repository and Review*; and the following Elders were unanimously appointed: S. Clough, J. Hazen, C. Morgridge, Joseph Badger, O. E. Morrill, and J. W. Marvin.

10. *Resolved*, That the editors of the *Christian Repository and Review* be authorized to engage a suitable number of contributors to said work.

11. *Resolved*, That we devoutly express our grate-



ELDER DAVID MILLARD.

*Resolved*, That we devoutly express our grateful acknowledgments to the Ruler of the universe for the safe return of our beloved brother, Elder David Millard, from his long and hazardous journey to Egypt, Syria, and the Holy Land.

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12. *Resolved*, That all restrictions heretofore imposed, relative to subjects to be admitted into the columns of the *Palladium*, are hereby removed, and the whole matter is left to the discretion of the conductors of the paper.

13. *Resolved*, That the subject of collecting statistics and publishing a Christian Register and Almanac for 1842 be referred to the Executive Committee.

14. *Resolved*, That we tender to Elder Burgess and the congregation of his charge our grateful acknowledgments, for the kind and liberal manner in which they have entertained us during our present session.

Adjourned.

JASPER HAZEN, *President*.

LYMAN PERRY, JOHN ROSS, *Secretaries*.

—*Christian Palladium*, Nov. 1, 1842.

THE CONVENTION OF 1846.—52 Years Ago.



REV. J. R. HOAG, now of Wymore, Neb.

CHRISTIAN GENERAL BOOK ASSOCIATION.

It is with much interest that we look forward to the contemplated convention of this association, at Union Mills, N. Y., on the first Wednesday of October next. The near approach of the time for the meeting reminds us of the rapidity with which our passing moments are bearing us on to our final destiny. How soon the past four years have fled! How little we have performed in the vineyard of our Master! But the four short years have effected great changes. Multitudes have passed from a state of human probation to an unchanging state, and multitudes of others are much altered in the condition of their mortal being. We are pleased to observe the interest that numbers of our conferences yet feel in the prosperity of the Association, and the success of our paper. We hope the delegates and brethren who attend the convention will come up with their hearts deeply imbued with the love of Christ, and their minds well prepared for united action in labors to promote the general good. —Elder J. Ross in *Christian Palladium*, Aug. 12, 1846.

THE CONVENTION.

Delegates from nine Christian conferences assembled in convention at Union Mills, N. Y., on the 7th inst., for the purpose of conferring together, and carrying forward the objects of our General Book Association. . . . A number of visiting ministers and brethren from different sections were in attendance, who kindly advised with the Association, and participated in the deliberations. . . . Much important discussion was had, on different subjects, and a free interchange of sentiments seemed only to strengthen the bonds of Christian brotherhood among us. . . . It was the meeting of kindred spirits. The fraternal grip, smiling countenance, and tearful eye, plainly indicated the presence of that love which many waters cannot quench, and a union which death itself will not destroy. . . .

A number of excellent sermons were delivered in the church of Elder B. S. Fanton's charge at Union Mills, and in three other neighboring societies, by attending ministers. . . . The accompanying min-



REV. B. S. FANTON, now of Castile, N. Y.

utes will show that important discussions were had, and changes contemplated respecting our periodicals. . . . If the same unanimity of feeling, of interest, and of action pervade the churches which manifested itself in their representatives in the convention, we shall go on to prosperity and usefulness.—Elder J. Ross in *Christian Palladium*, Oct. 21, 1846.

MINUTES OF THE CONVENTION.

*Fourth Meeting of the Christian General Book Association, held at Union Mills, N. Y., Oct. 7, 8, and 9, 1846.*

The meeting was called to order by the former chairman, Elder J. Hazen.

1. Prayer by Elder Elijah Shaw.

2. Upon call of the chair the following delegates appeared and took their seats: New Hampshire Rockingham Conference, Elijah Shaw; New Hampshire Stafford Conference, Simeon Swett; Vermont Eastern Conference, Jasper Hazen; New York Eastern Conference, John Spoor, Philetus Roberts, G. N. Kelton; New York Central Conference, E. J. Reynolds; New York Western Conference, W. R. Stowe; Black River Conference, Jason McKee; Erie Conference, J. E. Church; New Jersey Conference, N. Summerbell.

3. Organized by calling Elder Elijah Shaw to the chair, and appointing Elders John Ross and W. R. Stowe secretaries.

4. Resolved, That all gospel ministers who are, or may be, present be invited to participate in our deliberations.

Visiting ministers present: J. Badger, J. Ross, D. Ford, A. Stanton, C. A. Eastman, H. P. Guilford, Jonathan Brown, B. S. Fanton, J. R. Hoag, E. Buckingham, R. Rider, M. Moser, A. Hayward, W. B. Haight, and Charles Morgridge.

5. Received and adopted the report of the Executive Committee on the business of the past four years.

6. Proceeded to the election of the Executive Committee, whereupon the following were unanimously chosen: Elders Jasper Hazen, David Ford,

John Ross, Joseph Badger, Ezra Marvin, W. R. Stowe, J. E. Church, Jason McKee, Ira Allen, Thomas Henry, Nicholas Summerbell, Edmund Chadwick.

7. *Resolved*, That our Executive Committee be directed to request our brethren in New Hampshire, Ohio, and Canada, engaged in publishing periodicals and books, to unite with them in publishing, at Albany or Troy, a weekly paper and monthly magazine, and to merge in them all our periodicals now published, on terms of perfect reciprocity.

8. *Resolved*, That the before mentioned associations be requested to answer our proposition for union by the first of January next.

9. *Resolved*, That in the union proposed there be three editors, one residing at the place of publication, and one corresponding editor in the East, and one in the West; the first in each section to be appointed by the associations now existing there.

10. *Resolved*, That our Executive Committee be directed, in case our brethren at the east decline the proposed union of our energies, to make arrangements at the close of the present volume of the *Patriot*, or as soon as may be without injury to the interests of the association, to commence the publication of a weekly paper and monthly magazine at some point on or near the great thoroughfare from the North River to Lake Erie; and that we recommend the appointment of but one editor.

11. *Resolved*, That while we earnestly invite the brethren engaged in publishing periodicals in our connection to unite in one establishment, yet, if in their judgment it is not best so to do, we heartily wish them success in their labors for the common cause, and invite their continued cooperation in the publication of books for the use of the connection.

12. *Resolved*, That our Executive Committee be authorized to purchase a hymn book more acceptable to our brethren, and better adapted to their wants than the one now in use; and if no one can be obtained upon suitable terms, that they appoint a competent person or persons to compile such a book.

13. *Resolved*, That, in consideration of the present inconvenience in procuring suitable books for our Sabbath schools, and the great importance of those institutions, we urgently request our brethren to furnish the Executive Committee with means to procure or publish such as are adapted to our wants.

14. *Resolved*, That we most cordially approve of the Christian Tract Society at Union Mills, and cheerfully give our influence to extend the circulation of the series of tracts now in course of publication.



ELDER ELIJAH SHAW.

*“Resolved, That we tender to Elder Elijah Shaw the thanks of this Association for the faithful and impartial manner in which he has presided over our deliberations.”*

15. *Resolved*, That we are in favor of a thorough theological education of our ministers, and we believe that Meadville School now affords the safest and best facilities for the attainment of that object. We therefore approbate our young brethren who feel called of God to devote themselves to the Christian ministry in availing themselves of its advantages.

16. *Resolved*, That we earnestly recommend a more extensive cultivation of sacred music as an important Christian duty.

17. *Resolved*, That we appoint Brothers E. G. Holland, N. Summerbell, and B. S. Fanton a committee to correspond with Joseph Barker, of England, and John Rongo, of Germany, for the purpose of forming a friendly acquaintance, and that we may learn more definitely the object and course of the reforms in which they are engaged.

18. *Resolved*, That in order to curtail the expenses of the Association, the Executive Committee appoint three of their number a board of finance,

to meet annually or oftener, to transact all business connected with our publications, with the counsel and cooperation of the other members of the committee, obtained by correspondence.

On motion of Elder S. Swett, of New Hampshire, a circular containing a protest against slavery was presented and read to the convention, and then dismissed for the individual action of those present.

19. *Resolved*, That the thanks of this convention be presented to the editors of the *Palladium* for the able and judicious manner in which they have discharged the duties of their station.

20. *Resolved*, That our thanks be presented to the publishing agents for the faithful manner in which they have discharged the duties of their office.

21. *Resolved*, That the thanks of this Association be presented to the brethren and friends at Union Mills for their hospitality during this session.

22. *Resolved*, That we respectfully request all periodicals in the Christian connection to publish the proceedings of this convention.

23. *Resolved*, That we tender to Elder Elijah Shaw the thanks of this Association for the faithful and impartial manner in which he has presided over our deliberations.

The minutes were read and adopted.

Adjourned. ELLIJAH SHAW, *President*.

JOHN ROSS, W. R. STOWE, *Secretaries*.

—*Christian Palladium*, Oct. 21, 1846.

## THE CONVENTION OF 1850.—48 Years Ago.

### NOTICE.

The Christian General Book Association is to meet at Marion, Wayne County, N. Y., on the first Wednesday in October next. A General Convention will be held at the same time and place, in which it is expected every conference in the connection will be duly represented.—*Christian Palladium*, June 7, 1850.

### THE CONVENTION AND BOOK ASSOCIATION.

I can but regard the move for a General Convention of the Christian Connection and the tendency toward concentrated effort for the general good, as proceeding from a divine impulse. It seems indicative of an inward life which seeks development in benevolent, God-like action. Wisely directed, it can hardly fail of proving a great and lasting blessing. And it is devoutly to be desired that the spirit and principles which have moved a few individuals in this matter, will meet with a ready response from many hearts, and finally pervade every branch of our beloved Zion. There are some essentially necessary things that can be effected only through associated effort. Such are the things contemplated in the call of this meeting. . . .—*Elder J. Ross, in Christian Palladium*, July 7, 1850.

### THE CONVENTION.

Inquiries are often made relative to the Convention and Book Association, which are to be held at Marion, N. Y., next October. Some of the questions asked are the following:

Are the Book Association and the Convention one and the same, or are they two separate and distinct meetings? To this question the true answer is, The Book Association is ONE, and the Convention is ANOTHER. There is no connection between the two. Both are to be held at the same place, because that will save time and expense. The business of the Association relates wholly and entirely to the publication of books and periodicals. This is the only business that body can transact, according to its Constitution.

The Convention will be a deliberative body, assembled under a call, to take into consideration any important subjects relating to the general interests of the Christian Connection. The Convention will be organized by the choice of its own officers, and for its own purposes.

Another question asked is this: What subjects will be acted upon at the Convention? The leading subject, which gave rise to the call, is that of education, and to take measures for the founding of a college is the most prominent. But several other subjects of vital interest to the whole body, should and doubtless will be presented and acted upon at that Convention.

It is also asked: Who are to compose the Convention? The proper answer is, Delegates appointed by the several Conferences in all parts of the United States and the British Provinces. Every Conference, east, west, south, and north, should appoint delegates to the Convention. They can appoint the same men to the Convention and to the Book Association, or they can appoint one to each. But it should be remembered that every Conference in the Connection has an equal right to send a delegate to

the Association; and it is hoped that this year no Conference will neglect to appoint a delegate to the Association, and either the same or another to the Convention.

The reason why the Convention should be composed of delegates from the Conferences is, that those who live at a distance from the place of meeting may have an equal chance in the decision of questions. Should the Convention be a mass meeting, then those who live near and can meet in great numbers, can outvote all who come from a distance, which would be the same as though only one or two Conferences in that vicinity held the meeting. The plan of equal delegation will obviate all this, and secure the rights of all quarters.

How long will the meetings continue? Till the business is finished. No man should come expecting to remain a less time than a full week.—*Elder Elijah Shaw in Christian Palladium*, July 27, 1850.

### THE CONVENTION.

This meeting closed on Saturday evening, the 5th of October, after a session, in connection with the Association, of four days. The business of the Book Association occupied the first part of the time, and the Convention followed. Something like eighty ministers were present. . . . In the progress of the meeting, there were many times and scenes of thrilling interest. But the most deeply interesting was the report of the Committee on the Sentiments of the Christians. . . . The appointment and anticipation of the action of the committee named was the occasion of some anxiety. What would they report? How could we expect, without something like strife, to agree in matters of opinion, when we have agreed to differ peaceably, and walk together in love? Considerable anxiety was felt and manifested. When the report of the committee was called for, the member appointed by them to report, came forward with a copy of the Holy Scriptures under his arm, which he presented to the President, as containing the sentiments of the Christians, with the following remarks:

"Mr President—Your Committee on the Sentiments of the Christians have considered the subject referred to them, and beg leave to present you the Scriptures of the Old and New Testaments as containing in full the sentiments of the Christian denomination; and believing them to be fully competent to make men wise unto salvation, and thoroughly furnish the servant of God for every good word and work, we respectfully submit them to the consideration of the Convention."

The impression made by this report, and the unanimous and enthusiastic feeling with which it was received and adopted by representatives from every part of the Connection, left no room for doubt that this blessed book will be the only acknowledged creed of the Connection for a long time to come. God grant it may be forever!—*Jasper Hazen, editor Christian Palladium*, Nov. 2, 1850.

### MINUTES OF THE CONVENTION.

Pursuant to a call, published in our denominational periodicals, the delegates to a Christian Gen-

eral Convention assembled at Marion, New York, on Wednesday, October 2, 1850.

The Christian General Book Association met at the same time and place, and the delegates to the one were, in a majority of instances, delegates to the other.

The Association was organized on Wednesday morning, October 2, and proceeded with its regular business until Thursday morning, October 3, at 11 o'clock, when the General Convention was called to order by Professor Millard, of New York, and Elder Jesse E. Church was nominated president, *pro tem.*, and J. R. Freese, secretary, *pro tem.*

A motion was offered by J. R. Freese, of Philadelphia, that one delegate from each represented State be appointed as a committee to nominate permanent officers of the convention; which motion being carried, the following persons were named as said committee: P. Roberts, of New York; J. B. Weston, of Maine; O. J. Wait, of New Hampshire; E. Edmunds, of Massachusetts; M. Kidder, of Vermont; A. Craig, of New Jersey; C. H. Plummer, of Pennsylvania; W. B. Wellons, of Virginia; J. Knight, of Ohio; E. Crosby, of Michigan; W. Bagley, of Iowa; T. Henry, of Canada.

The nominating committee having retired, Elder J. H. Currier, of New York, offered a series of rules for the government of the convention, which called forth considerable discussion.

Elder D. Millard, of New York, moved as an amendment to Elder Currier's motion, that "the rules of the Association be adopted as the rules of convention," pending which motion the convention adjourned.

#### *Afternoon Session, Thursday, October 3.*

The convention reassembled at 1 o'clock, and was called to order by the president, *pro tem.* The chairman of the Committee on Permanent Officers then submitted the following nominations:

President, Elder Daniel P. Pike, of Massachusetts. Vice-presidents, Elders John Ross, New York; J. B. Weston, Maine; O. J. Wait, New Hampshire; E. Edmunds, Massachusetts; M. Kidder, Vermont; Austin Craig, New Jersey; Z. M. Ellis, Pennsylvania; W. B. Wellons, Virginia; D. F. Ladley, Ohio; E. Crosby, Michigan; W. Bagley, Iowa; Thomas Henry, Canada. Secretary, Dr. J. R. Freese, of Philadelphia. Assistant secretaries, Elders W. R. Stowe, of New York, and Thomas Holmes, of Ohio. Treasurer, A. M. Merrifield, Esq., of Massachusetts.

The report of the nominating committee was accepted and adopted.

Elder Pike then took the chair, and made a few forcible and eloquent remarks on the objects of the convention. He adverted to the fact that many of



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the delegates had come hundreds of miles,—had left their families, their homes, and their friends for the purpose of furthering on the great and good objects for which this convention had assembled.

He reminded the delegates of the duty which they owed to themselves, to those who had sent them as their representatives, to the church of which they were worthy members, and to God, whose professed children they were.

He spoke of the amount of money which the assembling of these delegates had cost, and said that God would hold them responsible for this waste of treasure unless they did something to glorify his name and advance his cause; and finally, closed with an earnest and affectionate appeal to the delegates that they should treat each other kindly in debate, and ever remember that, although they had come from different sections of our beloved country, they were, nevertheless, brethren of the same great household of faith, and children of the one Almighty Father!

After the president had concluded his remarks, the motion on organization was again called for, and, after some further discussion thereon, the two following resolutions were adopted:

1. *Resolved*, That the rules of the Association, in reference to the manner of speaking, be the rule of this convention.

2. *Resolved*, That the principle of representation and the manner of voting adopted by the association be adopted by this body.

(The "rules of the Association, in reference to the manner of speaking," were, that no person should be allowed to speak more than twice on the same question, and not more than ten minutes at a time. And the "principle of representation and the manner of voting adopted by the Association" were, that each voting delegate should be entitled to cast as many votes as there were ordained ministers belonging to the conference represented by him.)

The following resolutions were next offered and unanimously adopted:

3. *Resolved*, That all ministers and lay brethren present (not voting delegates) be invited to exercise the right of deliberation and of offering resolutions.

4. *Resolved*, That the president appoint a Committee on the Roll.

Elders E. Edmunds, of Massachusetts, and P. Roberts, of New York, were appointed the committee.

5. *Resolved*, That the convention now call for the report of the informal Educational Committee.

Elder D. Millard, of New York, then read the report as previously published in the *Christian Palladium*. The report was accepted.

Elder Millard, of New York, then offered a series of resolutions, embracing most, or all, of the distinct features of the proposed college, which, upon motion of J. R. Freese, of Philadelphia, were laid upon the table, in order that the college question might be taken up and adopted or rejected under distinct heads.

The question of the necessity or propriety of establishing a college, being the first that would naturally arise, the following resolution, offered by J. R. Freese, of Philadelphia, was presented with the view of calling forth the opinions and feelings of the delegates on that subject.

6. *Resolved*, That our responsibility to the community, and the advancement of our interests as a denomination, demand of us the establishing of a college.

A protracted, animated, and most interesting discussion followed on this resolution, in which Pike, of Massachusetts; Brown, of New York; Chadwick, of New York; Case, of New York; Phillips, of Ohio; Crosby, of Michigan; Holland, of New York; Ladley, of Ohio; Devore, of Ohio; Seaver, of Ohio; Knight, of Ohio; Wait, of New Hampshire; Marvin, of New York; Elliott, of Ohio; I. Brown, of New York; Kimball, of Massachusetts; Wellons, of Virginia; Freese, of Pennsylvania; and Dougherty, of New York, took part. Pending this question the convention adjourned.

#### Friday, October 4.

The business of the Christian General Book Association was again called up on Friday morning, and continued to occupy the attention of the delegates during all the morning session and the afternoon session until 4:30 o'clock, when the convention was again called to order by the president.

Resolution No. 6 being called before the convention, Elders Weston, of Maine; Bradshaw, of Michigan; Hand, of Ohio, and Orrell, of Ohio, spoke upon the question, each heartily concurring in our "responsibility" and undoubted ability to build and endow a college. Pending the question the convention again adjourned.

#### Morning Session, Saturday, October 5.

At 9 o'clock the convention again assembled and was called to order by the president. The business was opened with singing by the congregation and prayer by Elder Simeon Swett, of Massachusetts.

Resolution No. 6 being still undecided, Messrs. Merrifield and Swett, of Massachusetts, spoke upon the question, agreeing upon the undoubted necessity of a collegiate institution among us, and upon our readiness, willingness, and ability to erect and

endow such an institution. It would have been desirable, as expressed by the president, that every delegate present should have an opportunity to speak upon this question; but, as there was much other business to come before the convention, it was deemed expedient to close the debate and put the question, which being done by the president, the resolution passed unanimously by yeas, 521.

Elder E. G. Holland offered the following resolution, which called forth many most profitable and excellent remarks from Elders Holland, of New York; Millard, of New York; Fay of New York, and Phillips, of Ohio.

7. *Resolved*, That we agree in the sum of one hundred thousand dollars as the standard by which to measure our zeal and our efforts in raising the means for establishing the contemplated college.

Upon this resolution, it was explained by the mover and the speakers upon the resolution, that we must raise at least fifty thousand dollars with which to endow the institution, yet we should not limit our zeal and effort even to this amount, but endeavor, if possible, to raise one hundred thousand dollars, which would entitle the institution to the charter of a university, and thereby greatly enlarge its sphere of usefulness.

Elder E. G. Holland also submitted the following resolution, which was adopted without debate:

8. *Resolved*, That all persons who have plans and resolutions touching the college question be requested to submit them now to the convention.

Elders E. G. Holland, of New York, and J. R. Freese, of Philadelphia, then submitted plans for the contemplated college, which, together with the published report of the informal committee, were referred to the following committee appointed by the president, with instructions to report at their earliest convenience: Ross, of New York; Millard, of New York; Merrifield, of Massachusetts; Phillips, of Ohio, and Hazen, of New York.

Elder S. Swett, of Massachusetts, offered the following resolution:

9. *Resolved*, That the chair appoint a committee of three, to nominate other committees of three or five, to consider and report on the subject of Missions, Temperance, Sabbath Schools, Sentiments of the Christian Connection, Peace and Slavery.

Resolution No. 9 was adopted, and the following committee appointed by the president: Elders Swett, of Massachusetts; Hand, of Ohio, and Roberts, of New York.

J. R. Freese, of Philadelphia, offered a resolution with regard to a more perfect and general organization of the Christian Church, to which Elder J. Elliot, of Ohio, offered a substitute, which he afterwards withdrew to allow Elder D. F. Ladley, of Ohio, to offer the following resolution:

10. *Resolved*, That a committee of three be appointed by the president to present a plan for a more perfect and general organization of the Christian denomination.

On Resolution No. 10 the president appointed the following committee: Elders Ladley, of Ohio; Marvin, of New York, and Kimball, of Massachusetts.

Elder E. Edmunds, of Boston, offered the following resolution:

11. *Resolved*, That we now hear brethren give their views on the subject of a theological, or biblical, school.

The resolution was adopted, when the following delegates gave their views, forcibly and eloquently, upon the subject, a large majority of whom spoke favorably of the advantages of such an institution. Some of them spoke from actual experience, being, and having been, students of a theological school: Brown, of New York; Elliot, of Ohio; Ellis, of Pennsylvania; Bradley of Pennsylvania; Tilton, of New York; Holmes, of Ohio; Currier, of New York; Hand, of Ohio; Bradshaw, of Michigan; Summerbell, of New York; Church, of Pennsylvania; Holland, of New York; McKee, of New York; Ladley, of Ohio, and Orrell, of Ohio.

The following resolution was moved and adopted:

12. *Resolved*, That a committee of three be appointed by the president to prepare and report a form of bequest.

The president appointed the following: Ladley, of Ohio; Currier, of New York, and Knight, of Ohio.



The committee to whom was referred the plans for a college, submitted as per resolution No. 8, together with the plan of the informal committee, with instructions to report thereon at their earliest convenience, were announced as now ready to report, and accordingly reported through one of their number, Elder Jasper Hazen, of Albany.

A motion to adjourn was adopted.

*Afternoon Session, Saturday, October 5.*

The Christian General Book Association, having some further business to transact, reorganized at 1 o'clock and continued in session one-half hour, and then finally adjourned, immediately after which the convention was called to order by the president.

The college question was again called up, and the following resolution adopted:

13. *Resolved*, That a committee of three be appointed to nominate the provisional committee of '31, as contemplated in the second section of college report.

The following persons were appointed by the president: Merrifield, of Massachusetts; Millard, of New York, and Ladley, of Ohio. This committee having retired, the committees appointed to report on the subjects of Missions, Temperance, Sabbath Schools, Sentiments of the Christian Connection, Peace and Slavery, were called upon to report, and reported accordingly.

The committee on a "more perfect and general organization of the Christian Church" was next called upon to report, and reported accordingly.

The committee appointed to nominate the provisional committee made their report, which, after some few alterations and additions, was adopted as follows: New York—Prof. D. Millard, C. C. Davison, Esq.; Elder Wm. R. Stowe, Elder A. Stanton, Elder E. Fay, D. Ely, J. E. Brush, Dr. J. Hall. Pennsylvania—Henderson Gaylord, A. Sturtevant, James P. Ross. Virginia—Elder Wm. B. Wellons. Ohio—Hon. Brewster Randall, Elder J. Phillips, C. Winebrenner, J. G. Reeder, Thomas Betts, E. W. Devore, Elder D. F. Ladley, Elder J. Knight. New Jersey—Elder Austin Craig, John Duckworth. North Carolina—Elder H. B. Hayes. New England—Elder A. G. Morton, Massachusetts; Elder E. Shaw, Massachusetts; A. M. Merrifield, Massachusetts; Thomas Mandell, Massachusetts; Elder J. B. Weston, Maine; Elder O. J. Wait, New Hampshire. Indiana—A. W. Sanford, A. L. McKinney. Michigan—Elder J. S. White. Illinois—Elder Oliver Barr. Canada West—Elder Thomas Henry.

The following resolutions were next adopted:

14. *Resolved*, That D. Millard, W. R. Stowe, C. C. Davison, A. Stanton, A. M. Merrifield, B. Randall, E. W. Devore, David Ely, J. Phillips, D. F. Ladley, J. Knight, J. Hall, and E. Fay be the sub-committee contemplated in the second section of the college report.

15. *Resolved*, That Elder D. Millard be empowered to call a meeting of the sub-committee at whatever time and place he may think proper.

The Committee on Bequests, as per resolution No. 12, reported.

Elder D. F. Ladley, of Ohio, moved that the convention hold an evening session immediately after the close of public religious services, which motion was adopted.

Elder William Bradley, of Pennsylvania, offered the following resolution, which was unanimously adopted by the convention:

16. *Resolved*, That the secretaries of this convention, together with Elder Austin Craig, of New Jersey, be a committee to publish, in pamphlet form, a report of the proceedings of this convention. J. R. Freese, of Philadelphia, offered the following, which was adopted.

17. *Resolved*, That this convention commend all the periodical publications of the connection to the general patronage of the whole body; viz., *Christian Palladium*, *Christian Herald and Messenger*, *Christian Sun*, and *Gospel Herald*.

18. *Resolved*, That the president appoint a committee of three to report on the expediency of establishing a general missionary society.

19. *Resolved*, That the president appoint, of Philadelphia, were appointed.

On motion, adjourned.

*Evening Session, Saturday, October 5.*

Public services were appointed for 7 o'clock, when the delegates and a large congregation listened to an excellent discourse from Elder William B. Wellons of Virginia, immediately after the close of which the convention again reorganized.

The committee appointed on the 18th resolution were called upon and made their report, which report was accepted and adopted by the convention.

The following resolutions were next adopted:

19. *Resolved*, That the sub-committee have power to fill all vacancies occurring in their number, or in the provisional committee, by resignation or otherwise.

20. *Resolved*, That the order of the closing exercise be as follows: 1. A short address by D. Millard. 2. Prayer by J. Phillips. 3. Benediction by the president.

21. *Resolved*, That such parts of the minutes of this convention as the secretary deems proper be published in all the papers of the connection.

Elder Simeon Swett, of Massachusetts, offered the following, which was unanimously adopted by the convention:

22. *Resolved*, That this body, with grateful emotions, tender their unfeigned thanks to Elders Stanton and Galloway, and to the church and friends in Marion and vicinity, for the kind and bountiful manner in which they have entertained us during our protracted session.

23. *Resolved*, That thanks be tendered to the officers of the convention for their services.

Freese, of Philadelphia, offered the following, which were adopted:

WHEREAS, A resolution has been adopted, directing the secretaries, in connection with Elder Austin Craig, of New Jersey, to publish the minutes of the Christian General Convention in pamphlet form; therefore,

24. *Resolved*, That we recommend every Christian church throughout the United States and Canada to take up a collection at their earliest convenience, with the object of purchasing a large number of said reports for free distribution among their respective churches.

25. *Resolved*, That those collections be forwarded to our general book agent, J. R. Freese, of Philadelphia, who shall return the value thereof in said reports.

Elders Millard and Phillips being absent, as members of a committee, Elders Ross and Church were appointed to discharge the duties which had been assigned to them as per resolution No. 20. Accordingly, Elder Ross delivered a most affectionate closing address to the delegates,—Elder Church followed in prayer, and President Pike pronounced the benediction.

Upon motion, adjourned *sine die*.—*Freese Church History, 1851.*

CHRISTIAN GENERAL BOOK ASSOCIATION.

This Association met according to previous notice at Marion, N. Y., October 2, 1850. It was organized by choice of the following officers: Elder David Millard, N. Y., President; Elders Jesse E. Church, Pa., Elder Wm. B. Wellons, Va., Vice-Presidents; Elder John B. Weston, Me., Secretary; Brother J. R. Freese, Pa., Assistant Secretary.

Delegates were present and reported themselves from about thirty Conferences in the following States, viz: Maine, New Hampshire, Vermont, Massachusetts, New York, New Jersey, Pennsylvania, Ohio, Illinois, Iowa, Virginia and also from Canada West.

*Financial Condition of the Association.*

The organization being perfected on the afternoon of the first day, the Financial Committee made a report of their doings and of the condition of the Association. From this it appeared that for the current editorial term, commencing May, 1847, and ending May, 1851, a contract was made with Elder J. Hazen to take the property of the Association, and to assume its liabilities; and also to publish its paper, the *Christian Palladium*, on his own pecuniary risk, agreeing to pay to the Association the sum of \$150 per year. On this arrangement the paper has been published.



The new Hymn Book or "Christian Psalms," by an agreement with the Executive Committee, is published as the private property and on the pecuniary responsibility of Elder J. Hazen; he pledging himself to place it in the hands of the Association whenever they would pay him the expense incurred in its publication.

The property of the Association, at the close of the present editorial term, will be "the Phillips bequest of one thousand dollars, six hundred dollars then due on the contract with Elder Hazen, the stereotype plates of the old hymn book, 'Christian Hymns,' together with its interest in the subscription list of our periodicals." This interest was found to be, as reported by a special committee, the *Palladium* list of subscribers and an interest in the *Herald and Messenger* list to the amount of four hundred and fifty subscribers. The balance of the *Herald and Messenger* paper is the property of Elder Hazen.

The final settlement with Elder Hazen of all business relating to the pecuniary affairs of the Association for the present term, was left with the Executive Committee elect, with instructions to close the same by the first of May next.

*Action for the Future.*

1. *Book Department.*—The Association voted to separate its book affairs from the periodical department and to conduct each by itself. It was resolved that the cash remaining in the hands of the Association at the close of the present volume of the *Palladium*, after defraying all the necessary expenses, should be devoted to the purchase and publication of such books as the Executive Committee may deem to be called for by the wants of the connection. It was further agreed to authorize the Executive Committee to locate a General Book Depository in the city of Philadelphia, to superintend which a General Agent should be appointed. They were also authorized to appoint sub agencies and depositories, as the wants of the denomination in the various sections might seem to demand. The money to be devoted to this purpose, together with a catalogue of books to be purchased or published, is to be put into the hands of the General Agent on his giving proper and sufficient bonds for the security and faithful discharge of the trusts thus committed to him.

Brother J. R. Freese was chosen said General Agent, who very liberally proffered his services for the next four years gratuitously.

2. *Periodicals.*—It was decided that the periodicals should be published as at present, on individual responsibility and on such terms as would best secure the interest of the Association. The arrangement of matters and the making of bargains and contracts were left with the Executive Committee, with instructions so to arrange their business contracts that they can be closed and a change of editors effected at the close of four years without giving cause of complaint because of loss on property previously invested.

It was voted that the editorial corps should consist of one resident and four corresponding editors. The appointment of the resident editor was left with the Executive Committee. The corresponding editors were chosen by ballot, each delegate being entitled to as many votes as he represented in the Association, *i. e.*, one for each ordained preacher in his conference, and a plurality of votes giving an election.

The following is the state of the ballots:

*First balloting for one corresponding editor:* Elder John Ross, 264 votes; Elder David Millard, 134; Elder Chester Covell, 77; Elder D. P. Pike, 15; Elder C. H. Plummer, 9. *Second balloting for the three remaining corresponding editors:* Elder Oliver Barr, 338 votes; Elder David Millard, 205; Elder W. R. Stowe 266; Elder Chester Covell, 170; Elder Daniel P. Pike, 158; Elder Austin Craig, 158; Elder Elijah Shaw, 108; Elder Jesse E. Church, 41.

Whereupon, Elders J. Ross, O. Barr, D. Millard, and W. R. Stowe were declared corresponding editors-elect for the ensuing four years.

The following resolutions, relative to the duties and privileges of editors and correspondents, were adopted:

*Resolved*, That the communications of the corresponding editors shall not be subject to exclusion by the resident editor, but shall be entitled to equal place in the paper with his own.

*Resolved*, That in case an article forwarded to the resident editor for publication shall be refused, such article, on request, should be returned to the writer.

*Resolved*, That the columns of the papers published by this Association shall be kept open to the free discussion of the evils of war, slavery, and intemperance; and also that a free discussion shall be allowed in said papers of doctrinal subjects in such a manner as to defend, in a Christian spirit, the sentiments peculiar to our denomination.

WHEREAS, Discussion may sometimes bring up seeming antagonism between two writers; therefore,

*Resolved*, That in this case decorum and Christian language must be indispensable to secure the admission of such articles; but, while the principle of decorum is strictly observed, both parties shall be entitled to an equal number of articles of judicious length.

In regard to an additional editor, the following resolution was adopted:

*Resolved*, That, in consideration of the large amount of interest which our brethren in New England have in the periodicals of the C. G. B. Association, they are invited to appoint a corresponding editor for said papers, entitled to all the privileges of those elected by the Association.

3. *Executive Committee.*—In consideration of the interest which all sections of the denomination have in the Book Concern of this Association, it was voted that the Executive Committee should be chosen, two from the Eastern States, two from the West, one from the South, one from Canada and six from the Middle States, who should have equal interest in the Book Concern, but with the understanding that those who belong, or may hereafter belong, to other publishing associations, shall not be concerned in the periodicals of the C. G. B. Association.

The following persons were chosen Executive Committee: John Ross, Philetus Roberts, J. E. Brush, —, —, —, E. Edmunds, M. Kidder, D. F. Ladley, W. B. Wellons, Thomas Henry.

The missionary business was referred to the Convention.

The meeting was one of harmony and interest. There was a general aim for the good of the cause of God.—*J. B. Weston, Secretary, in Christian Palladium, Nov. 30, 1850.*

CASTLE, October 10, 1850.

BROTHER HAZEN: As you requested the statistics I obtained at the Convention, I will now furnish them. There may be some inaccuracies, but as I obtained them from each minister's lips, I presume they are correct:

	Born.	Converted.	Began to preach.
Jabez Chadwick .....	1779	1792	1800
David Ford .....	1779	1799	1799
John Ross .....	1794	1814	1817
Jesse E. Church .....	1804	1820	1825
David Millard .....	1794	1814	1815
Jasper Hazen .....	1790	1808	1809
John Case .....	1786	1807	1815
Jason McKee .....	1800	1818	1821
Daniel P. Pike .....	1815	1830	1835
Thomas Henry .....	1799	1825	1830
David W. de .....	1793	1816	1820
D. F. Ladley .....	1806	1822	1833
John Phillips .....	1810	1825	1833
W. R. Stowe .....	1815	1831	1839
C. L. F. Haven .....	1818	1840	1840
H. S. Fish .....	1816	1838	1842
W. B. Wellons .....	1821	1834	1845
Philetus Roberts .....	1815	1831	1834
George Bailey .....	1790	1805	1827
E. H. Halliday .....	1811	1823	1825
E. Bullock .....	1820	1833	1842
James Elliott .....	1825	1840	1840
L. B. Hyatt .....	1817	1836	1841
Eli Fay .....	1827	1840	1841
Anasa Stanton .....	1812	1836	1832
J. R. Freese .....	1826	1846	—
A. S. Langdon .....	1807	1826	1834
J. H. Carrier .....	1808	1824	1832

	Born.	Converted.	Began to preach.
Chester Covell.....	1817	1832	1841
Ira Brown.....	1806	1825	1827
Charles H. Plummer.....	1822	1842	1842
G. S. Warren.....	1809	1830	1832
Theobald Miller.....	1808	1825	1834
Moses Cummings.....	1816	1831	1836
John B. Weston.....	1821	1835	1842
John Waggoner.....	1813	1834	1841
Benj. Hoes.....	1820	1840	1840
J. W. Tilton.....	1812	1829	1839
Moses Kidder.....	1817	1831	1841
Edmund Chadwick.....	1812	1834	1842
W. T. Caton.....	1812	1831	1840
G. H. Hebbard.....	1827	1840	1847
Josiah Knight.....	1803	1818	1827
Z. M. Ellis.....	1817	1832	1843
John Ellis.....	1813	1832	1834
E. J. Reynolds.....	1807	1831	1833
William Bradley.....	1821	1834	1840
Benj. Seever.....	1814	1835	1835
Austin Craig.....	1824	1842	1843
Jonathan Brown.....	1818	1841	1842
T. W. Ward.....	1804	1828	1838
R. T. Inglis.....	1823	1837	1842
S. D. Buzzeo.....	1796	1816	1822
J. W. Osborne (Bap.).....	1816	1836	1842
E. Edmunds.....	1818	1830	1836
E. Crosby.....	1818	1833	1840
Samuel Morse.....	1820	1835	1843
H. H. Doherty (Unita.).....	1808	—	1832
O. J. Wait.....	1810	1824	1835
E. M. Galloway.....	1803	1820	1828
E. M. Mosher.....	1816	1833	1839
Joseph Morrill.....	1779	1800	1812
Andrew Bushman.....	1829	1842	1849
E. G. Holland.....	1817	1834	1835

	Born.	Converted.	Began to preach.
B. F. Summerbell.....	1819	1839	1845
Simcon Swett.....	1797	1816	1822
Ezra Marvin.....	1806	1825	1832
Thomas Holmes.....	1817	1823	1844
S. S. Kimball.....	1821	1838	1840
William Bagley.....	1820	1838	1842
Martin Pierson.....	1786	1805	1809
J. C. Burgdorf.....	1822	1838	1844
Lebius Fields.....	1780	1802	1810
E. R. Wade.....	1822	1843	1845
William Sibley.....	1813	1831	1843
Samuel Bradshaw.....	1811	1830	1840
John Orvill.....	1822	1834	1846
John Depew.....	1815	1837	1847

These are the names I obtained. There may possibly be some names I did not get, but I think not. You can make what use of them you think proper. I obtained these statistics for my own curiosity, and if you think it can answer any good end you can put them in the paper. J. ELLIS.

When we read or hear of preachers, or other public men, we feel a degree of interest in them, and a knowledge of them becomes an object of desire. The inquiries, How old a man is he? How long since he was converted? How long has he been in the ministry? etc., arise in the mind at once. Here an opportunity is presented to answer those inquiries in relation to quite a large number of preachers among us at once. Our thanks are due to Brother Ellis for it. It is not unreasonable to suppose that eternity will afford opportunity to become acquainted, not only with all the ministers of Christ, but with all the church of the first-born, whose names are written in Heaven.—*Jasper Hazen, Editor, Christian Palladium, Dec. 28, 1850.*

### REV. OLIVER W. POWERS, A. M., President American Christian Convention.

Rev. Oliver Warden Powers was born at Naples, N. Y., May 9, 1856. He was a student in Starkey Seminary, Eddytown, N. Y., and later in the Christian Biblical Institute, under the presidency of Dr. Craig. For a time also he was among the students of Wesleyan Seminary, Lima, N. Y., and still later he entered Antioch College, Yellow Springs, Ohio, where he graduated in 1890, receiving his A. M. in 1894. He has spent much of his time in educational work, having been a teacher in the public schools of New York, Pennsylvania, Ohio, and Georgia. At Demorest, Ga., he was associate principal of the normal school, and in 1894 assistant in the normal department of Antioch College. He served the New York Central Conference as secretary, the Miami, Ohio, Conference as its Sunday-school secretary, and the Ohio State Association as president.

Brother Powers united with the New York Central Conference in June, 1877, and was ordained the following year in Lakeville, N. Y., Revs. D. E. Millard, E. R. Wade, I. C. Tryon, Asa Chapin, Irvin Bullock, and G. H. Hebbard officiating. His pastorates have been: Lakeville, N. Y., (six years), Trotwood, Miamiville, Frederick, Plattsburg, O., McLallen's Corners, Pa., Castile, N. Y., Yellow Springs and Conneaut, O., (his present pastorate). He is now a member of the Erie Conference.

December 24, 1884, he was married to Florence B. Davis, of Edinboro, Pa., who died at Demorest, Ga., January 23, 1894. August 20, 1896, Brother Powers was married to Emma C. Southward, daughter of Rev. John A. Southward, at Yellow Springs, Ohio.

At the recent session of the Quadrennial Convention at Newmarket, Ont., he was elected to the presidency of the American Christian Convention.

Few ministers among us have had more varied and important service than our brother, and few have shown a richer measure of adaptability in

work. He is a very faithful pastor and a preacher of marked ability. His services in the pulpit have been attended with most encouraging results. His whole heart is in the work of the ministry, and he most intensely loves the gospel that he so faithfully proclaims. He has pronounced convictions and the courage to utter them. He is in full sympathy and touch with our best and bravest workers. A close student, a progressive thinker, a zealous worker, we may expect best things of him in the future. J. P. WATSON.

### THE HERALD OF GOSPEL LIBERTY.

"It was about the first of March, A. D. 1808, that Hon. Isaac Wilber, then a member of Congress from the State of Rhode Island, wrote to Elder Elias Smith, suggesting the publication of a newspaper devoted to the cause of religious liberty. In his letter to Mr. Smith, Mr. Wilber remarked that it was his observation that the people generally understood and appreciated civil liberty much better and more fully than they did religious liberty. Elias Smith was a man of zeal and intelligence, and he was thoroughly imbued with the spirit of the cause he had espoused. A religious newspaper, however, was a thing unknown to the world at that time—it was an experiment, an innovation, and no one could judge of the reception it was to meet. But Elias Smith was too brave a man to hesitate for reasons no better than these. Was it desirable? was it possible?—if so, then it must be.

"On the first day of September, A. D. 1808, appeared the first number of the first volume of the first religious newspaper in the world—the *Herald of Gospel Liberty*,—edited and published by Elias Smith at Portsmouth, in the State of New Hampshire. The *Herald of Gospel Liberty* has not been published continuously from that time to this, though the intervals of its suspension have been brief. It was brought from Newburyport, Mass., to Dayton, Ohio, in the year 1867."

\*See picture, first page.



## THE CONVENTION OF 1850.—48 Years Ago.

BY REV. J. B. WESTON, D.D.

I was a member of the Christian Convention that met in Marion, Wayne County, N. Y., in 1850, and am one of the few who still survive. Of the eighty-two officers of that convention, only Rev. Thomas Holmes, D.D., who was an assistant secretary, and Rev. E. Edmunds, of Boston, and myself, who were vice-presidents, are living.

This was the first of the quadrennial series of general conventions, of which the thirteenth has just been held at Newmarket, Ontario. Other "general meetings" had been held occasionally; none serially, and none in which the denomination was widely represented. At this meeting it was decided to hold another in four years, and so they have been continued.

The occasion of this convention was a general interest in all parts of the denomination in establishing a college of their own. The papers, east, middle, and west, had been alive with the discussion. The layman most conspicuous in the movement was A. M. Merrifield, of Worcester, Mass. Mr. Merrifield had been a convert under Elder Oliver Barr (I think in Conneaut, Ohio), but had removed to Worcester, Mass., and, as a carpenter and builder, and by investments in real estate, had acquired a considerable property. The interest concentrated finally in a meeting of an informal committee, consisting of Elders David Millard and Oliver Barr and Mr. Merrifield. By them a general plan was outlined, and the calling of the convention proposed. This met with general favor, and the convention was called and held accordingly.

I had been publishing agent and office editor of the *Herald*—then called the *Christian Herald*—at Exeter, N. H., and was joint partner with Elders Elijah Shaw and Daniel P. Pike on its removal to Newburyport, Mass. As such I had been interested in the preliminary discussion in the periodicals, and was greatly interested in having the plan carried through to success. At that time, however, I was pastor of the church in Skowhegan, Me., and was sent as delegate from the Maine Central Conference, paying my own expenses. I went from Newburyport and Boston with others of the New England delegation, of whom especially were D. P. Pike, of Newburyport, Mass., and Dr. Simeon Swett, of Lowell. We went to Albany and slept over night at the Delevan House, then a celebrated temperance hotel, owned and named after Edward C. Delevan, at that time an earnest and self-sacrificing apostle of temperance. Night travel by rail was a rare thing, so we waited till morning. Here we were joined by Rev. W. B. Wellons, of Virginia, and some others. The next morning we went to Syracuse, where we had to wait awhile for the train for the west. An amusing incident here was a foot race in the spacious depot between Brothers Pike, of Massachusetts, and Wellons, of Virginia, either of whom weighed about two hundred and fifty pounds. Brother Wellons won by a very close shave. The

rest of us took our exercise in laughing at the show. The main line from Syracuse to Rochester, by way of Lyons and Palmyra, was not then built. What is now known as the "Auburn Road" was the only thoroughfare westward from Syracuse. We went by rail to Geneva, and thence by stage to Palmyra, where we were met by teams from Marion. The mode of commerce and travel from Palmyra to Rochester and Syracuse was by canal.

The convention was numerically small, as compared with later meetings, eighty-two in all, but it represented the strength and enthusiasm of all parts of the denomination. The giants were there—David Millard, John Ross, Daniel P. Pike, John Phillips, Josiah Knight, W. B. Wellons, and many more such. For myself, I was young and bashful, said little, but served to count one, and to do such part as was assigned me.

Along with the meeting of the convention was a meeting of the "General Book Association." This organization originated in the State of New York in connection with the publication of the *Christian Palladium*, and had already published some books. It was desired to make it a national organization in its scope and interest. As it had the precedence of age, its business preceded and alternated with that of the convention, and its rules were adopted for the government of the convention. A good deal was done at the meeting to intensify the life and enlarge the scope of this department of denominational work, and J. R. Freese, then an enterprising and prosperous young business man, and a man of literary ambition, of Philadelphia, was put at the head of it. The excess of Dr. Freese's zeal and lack of discretion, and his subsequent business failure, proved in the end disastrous to the enterprise, and it was not continued.

But the college question was the item on which all interest centered. So much as this, and only so much, had formulated itself in the general mind, "We must have a college!" The informal committee had expressed so much, together with the suggestion that \$50,000 would be requisite for an endowment; that it should probably be located in the State of New York, somewhere on the thoroughfare between Albany and Buffalo; that the place of location would be expected to furnish buildings, and that the college should admit students of *both sexes* on equal conditions and to equal privileges. Farther than this ideas were crude and unsettled. The discussion was opened under the report of the "informal committee," which led to a resolution, declaring, "That our responsibility to the community, and the advancement of our interests as a denomination, demand of us the establishment of a college." The discussion was promiscuous and general. Men from all parts of the country took part. Some were conservative and cautious, others full of courage and confidence. There were some grand bursts of eloquence. The brethren from Ohio assured us that

Ohio alone could build the college, and that for cheapness of living that was an inviting locality. John Phillips told us that chickens could be had for a shilling apiece, butter at five or six cents a pound; eggs could be had at three cents a dozen, enough to sink a steamboat, and that the rich farmers had purses as long as your arm. Enthusiasm was pushed beyond the \$50,000 line, so that E. G. Holland, of New York, ventured to introduce a resolution to the effect, "That we agree on the sum of *one hundred thousand dollars* as the standard by which to measure our zeal and our efforts in raising the means for establishing the contemplated college." So large a sum it was not deemed safe to pledge, but it was explained that if this sum could be raised it would entitle the institution to the charter of "a *university*," and thereby greatly enlarge its sphere of influence. Such was the limit of the ideal at the time.

The committee was appointed to mature a plan, and they made a report, recommending that measures be immediately taken to establish a college; that a provisional committee of thirty-four and a sub-committee of thirteen be appointed to push the work; that the location of the college be left with this committee; that at least \$50,000 be raised by the sale of scholarships at \$100 each; that the expense of buildings be met by special donations, especially from the place where the college would be located; that two-thirds of the Board of Trustees and a majority of the Board of Instruction should at all times be members of the Christian denomination, and that equal privileges should be open to both sexes. This was unanimously and enthusiastically adopted. The committee of thirty-four, representing the different parts of the country, was appointed. The idea of locating the college in Central New York was still dominant, but the Ohio enthusiasm gave the impression that that State might stand a chance. The sub-committee of thirteen was appointed with a working number in each of the states of New York and Ohio. The plan of raising the \$50,000 or \$100,000 of endowment in scholarships of \$100 each, the principal not to be called for so long as the interest was paid, and each scholarship to carry the privilege of keeping a student in school perpetually without payment of tuition, was accepted without enough of doubt or demur to make itself felt. This proved the disastrous element of the enterprise.

One striking incident of the convention will never be forgotten. A committee was appointed to present a statement of our denominational principles. Revs. Moses Kidder, of Woodstock, Vt., and Philetus Roberts, of Stanfordsville, N. Y., were on that committee. When the time came for the report, the committee came in, the chairman, Brother Kidder, bearing aloft in his hands a large Bible. That was the report, and it was unanimously accepted.

The old prejudice against a professional education for ministers was still so strong that it was felt by many of the speakers who favored a college to be necessary to emphasize the point that the proposed institution did not mean a theological school. Under a resolution offered by Brother Edmunds, of Boston, "*That we now hear brethren give their views*

*on the subject of a theological or biblical school,*" the matter was somewhat ventilated. Some who had attended theological schools at Meadville or Oberlin were outspoken in their advocacy of such an institution for ourselves. Others were very conservative. Opinion was not then ripe for a movement in that direction; but from that time on opinion ripened fast. It was not many months before the sub-committee launched a movement in favor of a theological school, and put Elder Oliver Barr at its head.

When the convention adjourned all felt that, as it proved to be, the convention was an epoch-making event in the history of our denomination. Never before had representatives from east, west, north, and south met in such numbers in a general convention. Never before had the cement of personal acquaintance with the warm love of God in all hearts been so strong. Never before had the denomination united with such harmony and enthusiasm on a single measure as they did then in the determination to build a college. The unity of the Christians was from that time stronger than ever before. The conviction that this was so was an element of newly-inspired zeal, which all took home with them from Marion.

Several of us took a trip to Niagara Falls. Our passage from Palmyra to Rochester was by a canal packet, drawn by mules. A small purse for the driver added to the speed of our conveyance. From Rochester to Niagara Falls, by way of Buffalo, we went by railroad. Our company were D. P. Pike and Simeon Swett, of Massachusetts, Moses Kidder, of Vermont, John Phillips and D. F. Ladley, of Ohio, W. B. Wellons, of Virginia, and Wm. Bagley, of Iowa, and myself from Maine. We had a prayer-meeting in one of our rooms at the hotel in the evening, and the next day spent our time gloriously in viewing the grand cataract and its attendant scenery. The impressions of this first visit will never be effaced. Returning, we took the through fast express on the world's greatest railroad, and made the trip to Albany in the wonderfully short time of THIRTEEN HOURS!

At Albany we were for a few hours the guests of Editor Jasper Hazen, then publishing the *Christian Messenger* there. After seeing some of the Albany sights, we took passage by steamer down the Hudson to New York, and again luxuriated in the beauties of the Hudson scenery. This touched us with an admiration of its beauty, so widely and worthily renowned, but it did not rival in grandeur and sublimity what we had just experienced at Niagara. This was our first visit to New York City and our time allowed us to see but little of it. Here we called on Elder Oliver Barr, then pastor of the church there. I never saw him again till he met his tragic end. A trip by steamer and rail brought us to Boston, whence I made my way homeward to Maine.

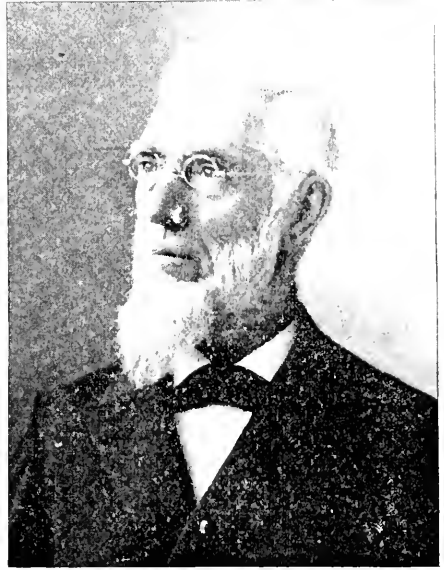
Thus was I identified with the first movements for the establishment of our college. I had not then the remotest expectation of ever becoming identified with its life, least of all of being associated with Horace Mann, who became its president, or of having so much of my life given to its interests.



REV. J. B. WESTON, D.D., President Christian  
Biblical Institute, New York.

Rev. Eli Fay, D.D., now of San Diego, California, attended the convention of 1850. Fifty three years ago, at Barre, N. Y., he united with the New York Western Conference, "which was that year attended by J. D. Child, Chester Covell, John Ellis, Samuel Salsbury, S. M. Fowler, Ezra Smith, and several other ministers, a galaxy of strong men. Where are they now? Safe in God's keeping." Brother Fay "remained with the Christians fifteen years, active, happy, and hopeful. Finally, without any theological examination, cross questioning, or criticism," he was "called to the pastorate of the largest country church in the Unitarian denomination." Under date of July 12, 1898, he writes of Rev. J. B. Weston, D.D., as follows: "Don't tell me that there is no contact of soul with soul, wholly irrespective of bodily proximity, as day before yesterday I thought many times of Rev. J. B. Weston; thought of him as he appeared in the first Christian convention, held at Marion, N. Y., about fifty years ago, a very proper and dignified young man, who had his say and was gladly heard. I thought of him as a student and afterwards a professor at Antioch College; as one who, on short notice, could have heard a recitation anywhere in Greek, Latin, history, philosophy, astronomy, or chemistry; could have sung, prayed, preached, or presided on any occasion, or alone have run a session of Conference. I should expect that, were it necessary, the Rev. J. B. Weston, whom for many years I knew, would govern a province of Hottentots, run a huge steamer on the Hudson, lead a brigade across the trenches at Santiago, or hold the reins over a school of frisky theologues, and do it well. Thus had I been thinking of him when, on going to the postoffice the next morning, I found two copies of the *Christian Worker*, whose editor is my dear friend, J. B. Weston. Exactly so! If there is anything which he cannot do, let it be known. Horace Mann once spoke of him in this precise vein: 'Good everywhere!'"

The habit of my life has been to give earnest attention to the work of the present, at the same time keeping a sharp outlook for the future, "forgetting the things that are behind, and stretching forward to the things that are before." Owing to this fact, and the forty-eight years that have elapsed since the General Christian Convention was held at Marion,



REV. THOMAS HOLMES, D.D.,  
Chelsea, Mich.

N. Y., my recollections of the "interesting incidents" of that convention are very dim, with the exception of one. Among the committees appointed to frame and report the sentiments of the convention on various topics, was one on doctrines. Even in those days there were some who thought that the Christians should formulate at least a statement of the theological views commonly held and taught by those "who seemed to be pillars" in the movement. This committee was called for, doubtless, with the hope, at least on the part of some, that their report would be a statement of this kind. When the chair announced that this committee was ready to report, an almost breathless silence fell upon the assembly. Every eye was fixed upon the chairman of the committee as he rose to make his report, and every ear was alert to catch every word. It was by far the most interesting moment of the entire convention. Elder Moses Kidder, of Vermont, the chairman, came slowly and with dignified step to his place at the left hand of the president of the convention; instead of taking a manuscript from his pocket, he lifted high in the air the large pulpit Bible, saying at the same time, "Mr. President, your committee appointed on doctrines beg leave to report unanimously the scriptures of the Old and New Testaments, as found in this inspired book." The sensation that was experienced throughout that intensely interested assembly is better imagined than described. For triumphant gladness and joy it was the culminating moment of the convention. The few who were disappointed were perfectly subdued. The report was adopted without objection. —*Thomas Holmes, D.D., Chelsea, Mich., Nov. 5, 1898.*

Elder E. Edmunds, of Boston, writes under date of Nov. 22, 1898: "I remember that convention at Marion, N. Y. I was one of that committee chosen to report on the 'sentiments of the Christians.' Elder Moses Kidder, of Woodstock, Vt., was chairman. After a short consultation and deliberation we unanimously agreed to take the Bible and bear it before the convention. Elder Kidder took the large church Bible in his arms, and raising it above his head, laid it solidly down on the clerk's table, exclaiming, 'Here is our unanimous report'; and such a sensation and clapping of hands you seldom have ever witnessed."

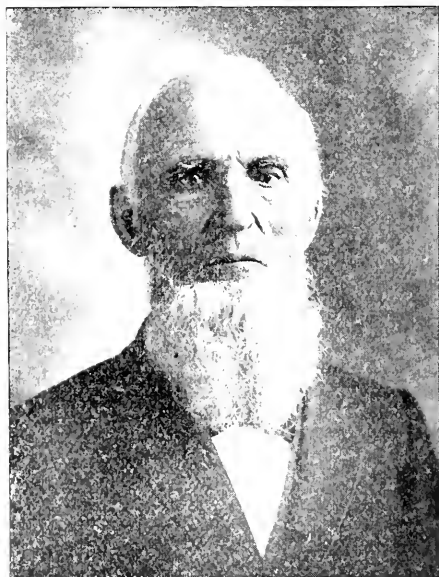
Rev. William Bagley, of Des Moines, Iowa, writes under date of November 5, 1898: "It affords me great pleasure to say I was present at the Marion convention of 1850. On the previous Sabbath I preached for Brother Amasa Stanton, as he was pastor of the Marion church at that time. The convention was largely attended by our oldest and ablest ministers. A college was the all-absorbing question, and such brethren as Father Ross, Daniel Pike, and other able and consecrated men discussed this question from every standpoint. If my memory serves me correctly, that was the first convention that ever voted equal advantages to men and women in a college course in this country. That convention marked a wonderful epoch in the history of the Christian denomination. On our return twelve of us came together to Niagara Falls. Among our number was Bro. W. B. Wellons, of Virginia, and that indefatigable temperance worker, Bro. Austin Craig. On our arrival at the Falls, we spent the day viewing the wonderful scenery, and in the evening repaired to the hotel, and after a social hour we had a season of prayer, in which every one took part; and then the good-byes and God bless you had to be said, and each went to our several homes, many of us never to meet again until around that great white throne."



REV. WILLIAM BAGLEY, of Des Moines, Iowa.



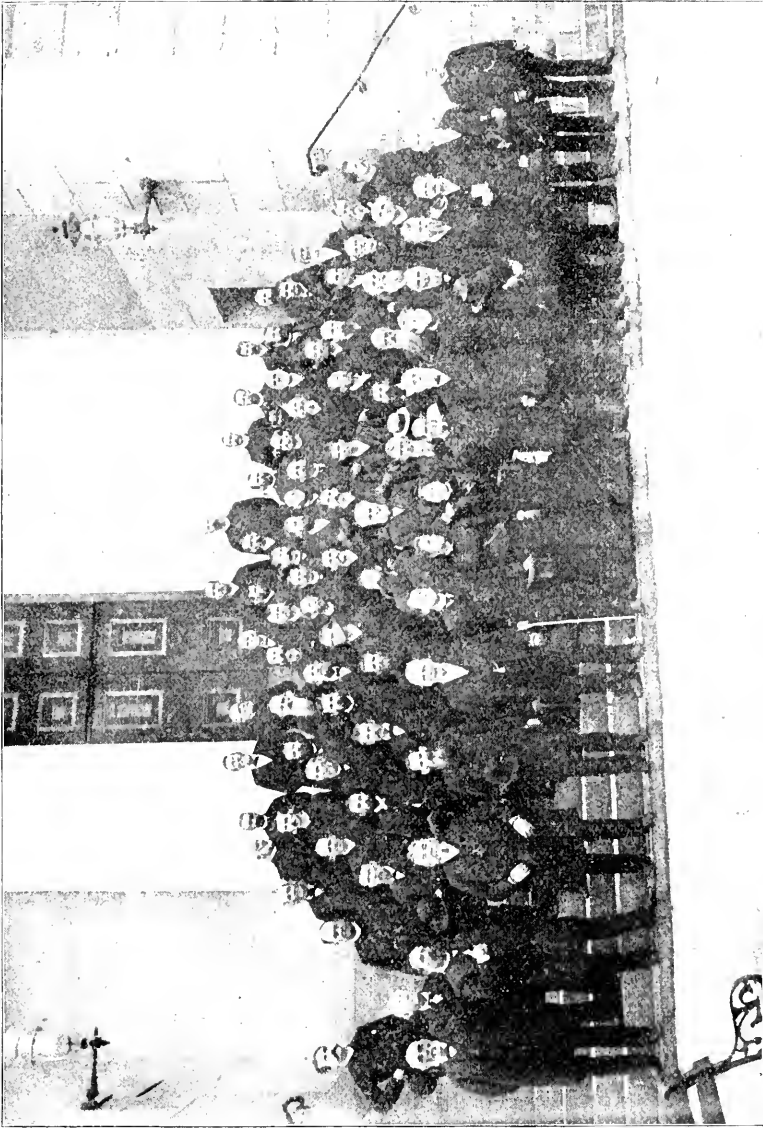
REV. WILLIAM BRADLEY, of Boston, Mass.



REV. BENJ. SEEVER, of Springfield, Ohio.

Elder Wm. Bradley, of Boston, writing under date of Nov. 11, 1898, says: "I only remember the convention of 1850 in a general way, except one item on how the committee came to report the 'Bible' as our plat-

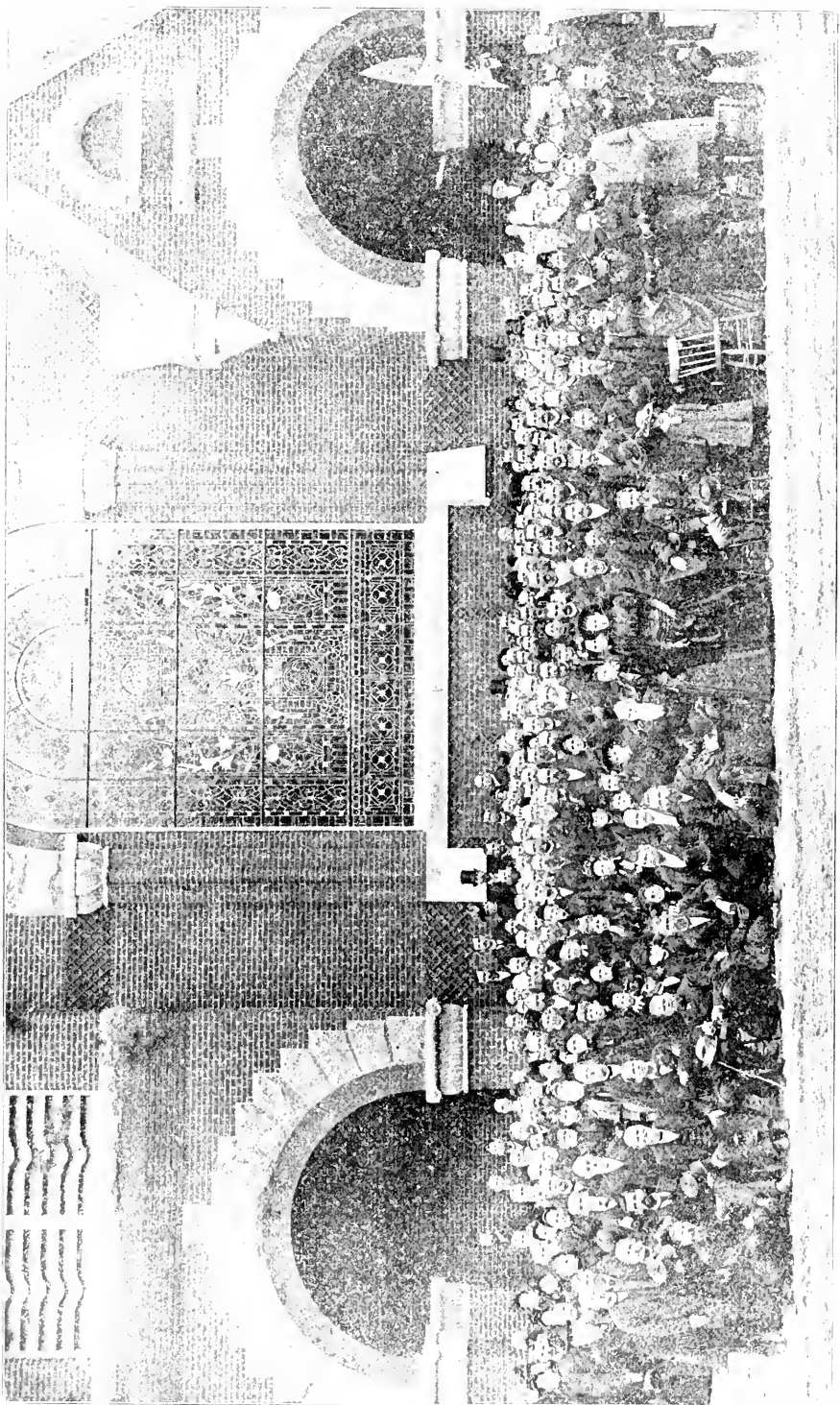
form. The committee appeared to be at a loss what to report, when I, handing the Bible to Moses Kidder, said, 'Report this as our platform.' The suggestion was at once adopted."



NEW BEDFORD (MASS.) CONVENTION, 1886.

*"The American Christian Convention was called to order by the president, Rev. J. W. Osborn, Ph.D., at 10 A.M., October 6, 1886, at the Christian Church, on Purchase Street ('White Church'), New Bedford, Mass. Singing of the hymn, 'Joy to the World,' led by Prof. A. H. Morrill, A.M. Scripture reading, second chapter of Acts, by Rev. D. F. Pike. Prayer by Rev. N. Sumnerbell, D.D. Singing of hymn, 'All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name.' Remarks of welcome to the Convention by Rev. B. S. Batchelor, of New Bedford."*





MARION (IND.) CONVENTION, 1890.

*"In the close of the Convention beautiful and touching remarks were made by Rev. T. M. McWhitney, D.D., Miss Caroline Forman, and Rev. O. J. Watt, A.M."*





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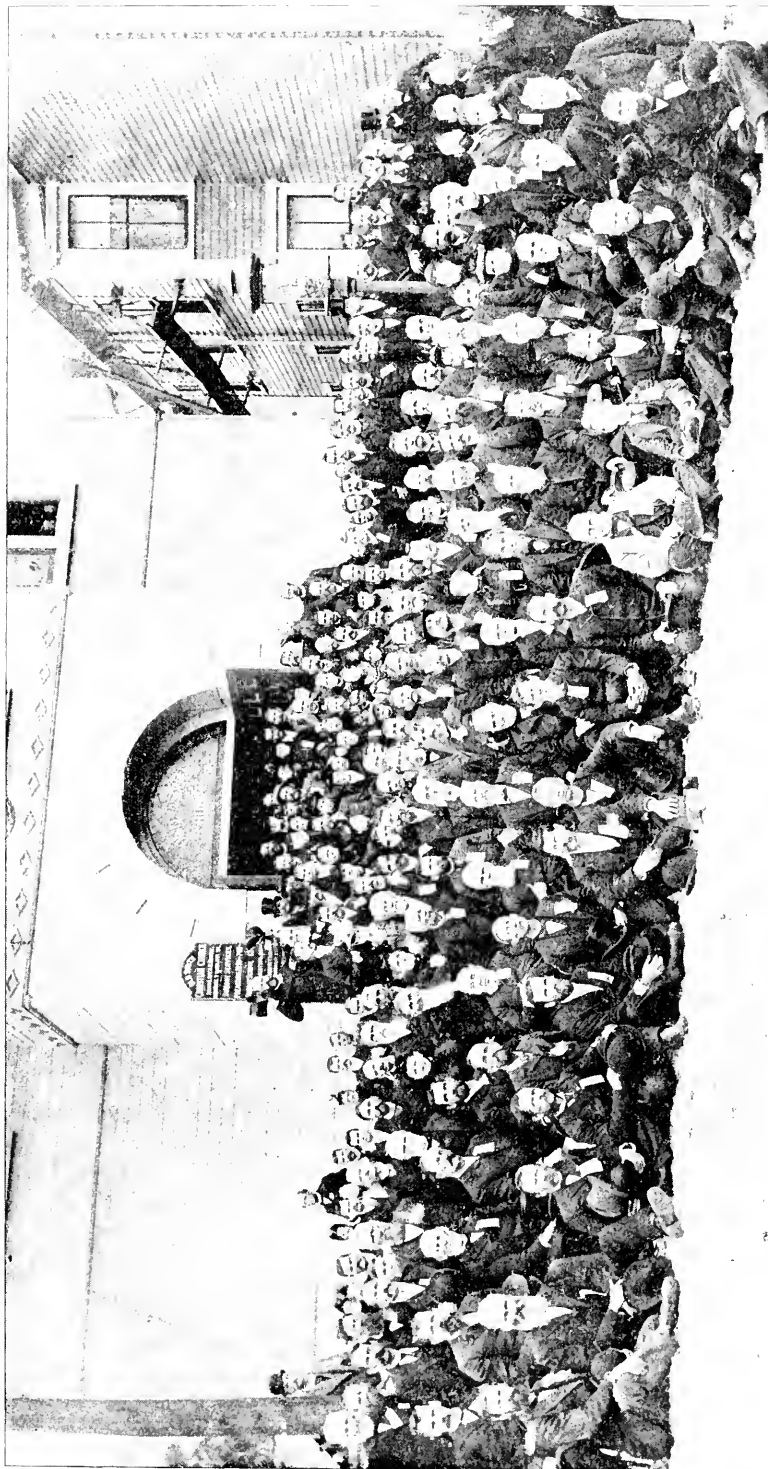
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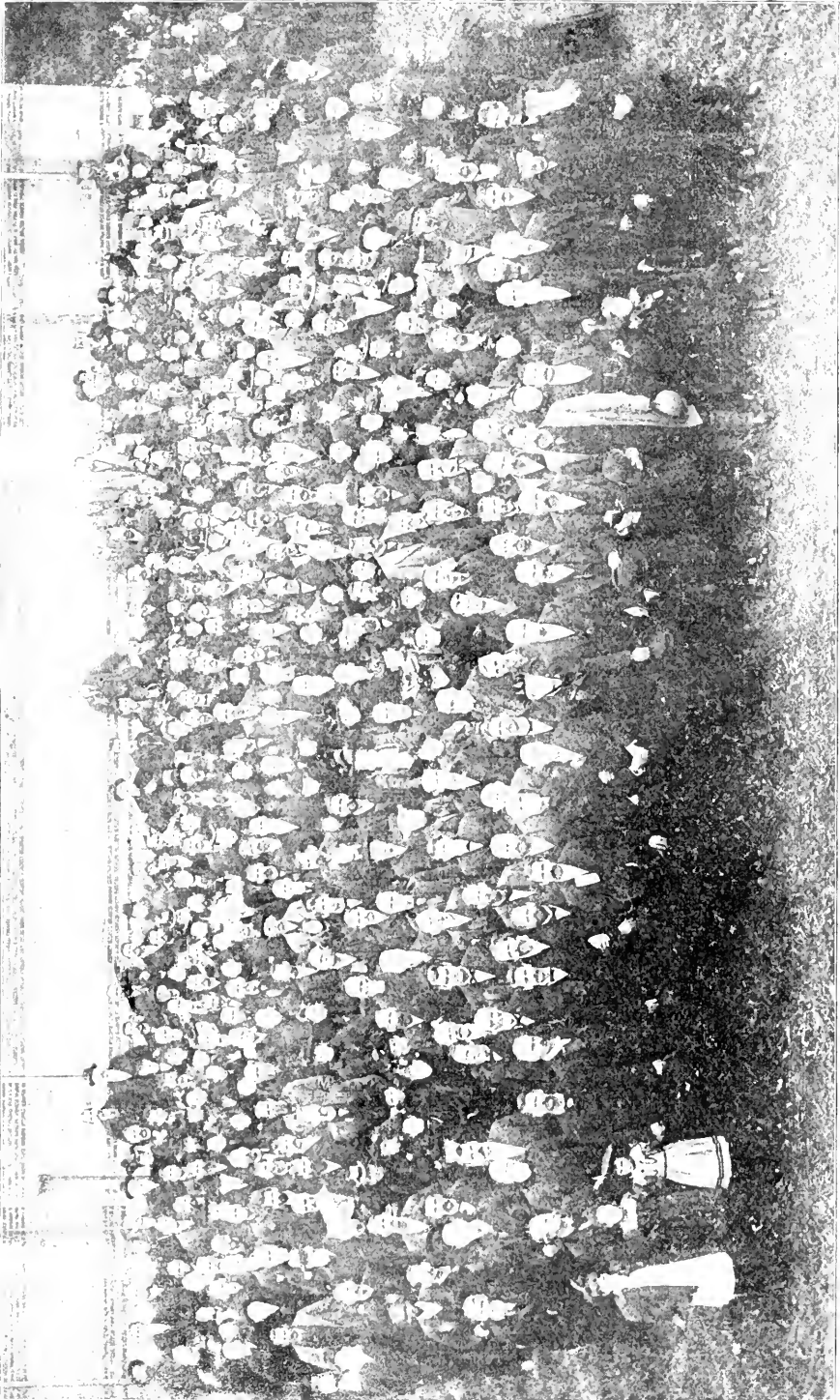
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## MINUTES OF THE AMERICAN CHRISTIAN CONVENTION.

By the Secretary, REV. J. F. BURNETT.

NEWMARKET, ONTARIO, Canada, }  
October 11, 1898. }

THE American Christian Convention met in the Christian Church in Newmarket, Ontario, Canada, on Tuesday, October 11, 1898, and was called to order at 7 o'clock P.M. by Rev. Alva H. Morrill, D.D., president of the convention, who had during the afternoon informally announced the committee on the roll. The convention was delightfully welcomed with a musical concert by the Newmarket Cornet Band, after which the choir and congregation sang the following song which had been composed and printed for the occasion by Rev. Wm. J. Warrener, of Ohio.

(Air—"God Save the Queen.")

Our God, to thee we raise,  
A song of grateful praise.

On this glad day;  
We hail thee Lord of all,  
Father of great and small,  
On thee we'll ever call,  
While here we stay.

May thy great love abound,  
The whole wide world around,  
In every heart;  
May we true brothers be,  
So all mankind may see,  
That we are one in thee,  
No more to part.

One blood, one tongue are we,  
We'll dwell in unity,  
Like that above;  
We'll travel hand in hand,  
As brothers in one band,  
From pole to gulf and strand,  
In peace and love.

From us the world shall learn,  
From sin and wrong to turn,  
To stand for right;  
One God to serve with fear,  
One Master—Christ—to cheer,  
One name for all so dear,  
A glorious sight.

Rev. L. J. Aldrich, D.D., president of Union Christian College, Indiana, read portions of Scripture from Psalm 133 and I. Corinthians 13. Prayer was offered by Rev. W. S. Long, D.D., of North Carolina. The choir then sang a beautiful anthem, after which Rev. W. H. Chidley, pastor of the Newmarket Church, in a brief but able address most heartily welcomed the convention. To this address the president responded, as did also the following named brethren: For the North and East, Rev. I. H. Coe, of Massachusetts; for the South, Rev. W. W. Staley, D.D., of Virginia; for the Middle States, Rev. Albert Dunlap, of Ohio. In the absence of Rev. Robert Harris, of Illinois, Rev. L. E. Collansbee, of Iowa, responded for the West. Rev. C. V. Strickland, of Indiana, sang a solo. Rev. Mr. Chidley read the following greetings:

"The York County Woman's Christian Temperance Union sends greetings to the American Christian Convention. Read I. Thessalonians 3:12.

MRS. ED CANE, *President.*"

Rev. Martyn Summerbell, D.D., moved that the secretary be instructed to reply in the name of the convention. Carried.

Rev. D. A. Long, D.D., moved the adoption of the following resolution:

*Resolved*, That the program for Wednesday, Thursday, Friday, Saturday, Sunday and Monday, be referred to a special committee composed of Revs. Garbutt, Gott, and Crampton, to report to-morrow.

Rev. I. H. Coe moved to amend the resolution by adopting the program and that the amendment lie

upon the table. Motion to lie upon the table lost. Motion on the amendment pending, Rev. I. H. Coe moved to adjourn. Motion carried. Rev. Thomas Holmes, D.D., pronounced the benediction.

NEWMARKET, ONTARIO, Canada, }  
October 12, 1898. }

THE convention was called to order by the president, a devotional service having been conducted by Rev. Elias Jones.

The president asked that all the vice-presidents, present, come to the platform, and Rev. I. H. Coe, vice-president for New England, was called to the chair, who after prayer by Rev. J. W. Wellons, introduced Rev. W. D. Samuel, of Ohio, who preached the convention sermon from Matthew 23:8.

On motion of Rev. A. Dunlap, the convention tendered Rev. Mr. Samuel a vote of thanks for his sermon.

Rev. J. F. Burnett offered the following resolution, which was adopted:

*Resolved*, That on the calling of a conference, the Committee on the Roll shall then name the delegates to be seated from that conference and that delegates be seated without any reference to states or conferences.

Rev. E. A. DeVore, D.D., moved that the president be authorized to establish a bar of the house. Carried.

The roll of conferences was then called and delegates seated as per partial report of the Committee on the Roll.

Rev. O. W. Powers moved that the partial report of the Committee on the Roll be adopted. Carried.

Voted on motion of Rev. C. J. Jones, D.D., that all mail matter be distributed from the vestry.

Voted on motion of the secretary, to appoint a committee to whom all communications shall be referred without reading.

On motion of Rev. C. J. Jones, D.D., the convention voted to adjourn at 12 M and 5 P M.

NOTE.—The following communications were referred as per vote above recorded: From N. S. Purinton, clerk of General Conference of Free Baptists of U. S. A.; Spring River Conference, signed A. Humphreys; Upper Bay Conference of Congregational Churches, B. Dent, Naylor Registrar; The Assembly of God, Defiance, Ohio., L. L. Canfield, President, and P. S. Latchaw, Secretary; Ohio Eastern Conference, signed by W. B. Gregory, Secretary; Iowa State Christian Conference, W. C. Smith, Secretary; A. R. Heath, Covington, Indiana; Rhode Island and Massachusetts Conference, C. H. Shank, Secretary; New York Southern Conference, J. H. VanAtta, Secretary; American Anti-Saloon League, James L. Ewin, Secretary.

NEWMARKET, ONTARIO, Canada, }  
October 12, 1898. }

THE convention was called to order at 2 P.M. by the president and the opening prayer was offered by Rev. Moses, of York, Maine.

Rev. B. Mason moved that at the close of the president's report the convention proceed to the election of officers. Rev. I. H. Coe was at this time called to the chair. Rev. Dr. McWhiney moved to amend by making the election of officers a special order for Thursday, 3:00 P.M. Dr. J. J. Summerbell moved to lay the amendment on the table. Carried. The Committee on the Roll submitted an additional report. Dr. D. A. Long moved to adopt. Motion carried.

Rev. B. Mason moved to take the resolution offered by himself together with the amendments from the table. Carried. The mover of the original motion accepted the amendment by which the president ruled that the original motion was amended and that the amendment was entirely out of the way and that the only question before the convention was the election of officers on Thursday, at 3:00 P.M.



Rev. S. D. Bennett moved a substitute for the original motion that the election of officers be at the close of the president's report. The motion was ruled out of order. Dr. DeVore moved a substitute for the original, that within five minutes after the report of the president the convention proceed to the election of officers. Ruled out of order. Dr. DeVore moved that the motion lie upon the table. President decided the motion lost. A division of the house called for, which resulted as follows: Affirmative, 186 votes; negative, 78 votes.

Rev. Dr. J. J. Summerbell moved that we now hear the report of the president. Carried. The president then read his report.

Rev. O. W. Powers submitted the following resolution: "Moved that the report of the president be referred to a special committee for distribution to appropriate committees as soon as they are appointed, or back to the convention for action in separate items, and that the thanks of the convention be tendered the president for his report. Carried."

Hon. F. A. Palmer, convention treasurer, was by consent given time to read his report.\* On motion the report was referred to an Auditing Committee.

Rev. Dr. J. J. Summerbell introduced Rev. Dr. John R. H. Latchaw, of De fiance, president of De fiance College, who was welcomed by the president.

On motion of Rev. Mr. Dunlap, a vote of thanks was tendered Bro. Palmer for his service and report.

Rev. Dr. DeVore moved to make the election of officers the next order and that the election be continued until completed.

Rev. Mr. Dunlap moved to amend by making the election of officers special order for 10 o'clock to-morrow.

Mr. E. L. Goodwin moved to make the election of officers special order to follow immediately after the reading of the official reports of the present officers.

The convention then adjourned.

NEWMARKET, ONTARIO, Canada, }  
October 12, 1898. }

THE convention was called to order at 7:00 p.m., and, after a song service conducted by Rev. C. V. Strickland, Rev. Dr. MacCoubrey, pastor of the White Plains Presbyterian Church, New York, led in prayer.

Rev. O. W. Powers moved that the order of the evening be the address of Doctor McWhinney on "The Christian Movement" and the report on Christian Union. Carried.

The president announced the Committees on Communication and the one to which the president's report was by vote referred.

At the close of Doctor McWhinney's address, President Morrill stated that the Executive Board had pledged \$100 to help the Newmarket Church in caring for the convention, and wanted it raised at once. Rev. B. Mason moved that all above \$100 raised be given to the Home and Foreign Mission Boards. Carried.

Hon. F. A. Palmer moved to request the Christian Publishing Association to publish Doctor McWhinney's address, and if it has not the money with which to pay the bill to draw on him for the amount needed. Carried.

Rev. C. V. Strickland's male quartette sang a beautiful song, after which Rev. J. B. Weston, D.D., read the report of the Commission on Christian Union.

Rev. B. Mason read a minority report of the Commission on Christian Union.

Moved by E. S. Ekel, Esq., that we adopt the minority report as a substitute for the majority report.

Moved by Mr. E. L. Goodwin that the motion lie upon the table. Carried.

The convention then adjourned until 8:30 A.M. Thursday. Benediction by Rev. J. W. Wellons.

NEWMARKET, ONTARIO, Canada, }  
October 13, 1898. }

THE convention was called to order at 8:30 A.M., by Rev. Alva H. Morrill, D.D., president. After a

song, Rev. C. H. Hainer led in prayer. The minutes of the preceding day were read and approved.

Miss Orpha Adkison moved that Prof. Lester Howard read the seventeenth chapter of John, which he did.

Rev. O. W. Powers moved that the chair appoint Committees on Condolence, Y. P. S. C. E., Sunday School, and Missions. These committees were announced by the president.

The secretary moved the appointment of a Committee on Order of Business. Carried.

The Committee on the Roll submitted an additional report. Adopted.

Rev. C. J. Jones, D.D., moved to proceed to the election of officers. Carried.

Judge White-lock, of Indiana, moved that the roll of conferences be called for the nomination of president. Carried.

Rev. D. E. Millard, of the Michigan Conference, nominated Rev. O. W. Powers. A. S. Ekel, of the New Jersey Conference, nominated Rev. O. W. Powers. Rev. D. I. Putnam, of the New York Eastern Conference, nominated Dr. Alva H. Morrill, D.D. Rev. W. A. Gross, of the Miami Ohio Conference, nominated Rev. O. W. Powers. Rev. D. A. Long, D.D., of the Southern Ohio Conference, nominated Rev. O. W. Powers. Rev. H. E. Butler, of the Ohio Central Conference, nominated Rev. O. W. Powers. Rev. Wm. J. Warren, of the Ohio Eastern Conference, nominated Rev. O. W. Powers. Rev. B. S. Batchelor, of the Rhode Island and Massachusetts Conference, nominated Rev. Alva H. Morrill, D.D. D. L. Bartlett, of the Rockingham Conference, nominated Rev. W. B. Flanders. In behalf of the Tioga River Conference Rev. H. L. Griffin seconded the nomination of Rev. O. W. Powers. The above-named candidates were seconded by several conferences.

Moved by Dr. D. A. Long that J. F. Burnett be the nominee of the convention for secretary, and that Rev. Myron Tyler be authorized to cast the vote of the convention for the nominee. Carried. The vote was accordingly cast.

By vote of the convention the secretary was authorized to cast the vote for the nominees for the several vice-presidents, department secretaries, and the convention trustees, all of which were declared elected by the president.

Voted to tender a vote of thanks to Mr. E. L. Goodwin, Rev. John T. Phillips, Rev. G. D. Lawrence, and Rev. N. Del McReynolds, for their service in securing railroad rates for members of the convention.

The vote of the convention revealed by the report of the tellers that W. B. Flanders received 1 vote; Rev. Alva H. Morrill, D. D., 101 votes; Rev. O. W. Powers, 186 votes.

On motion of the secretary, a vote of thanks was tendered Rev. Alva H. Morrill, D.D., the retiring president, for his faithful, efficient, and impartial service during his term of office.

The retiring president after moving that the election of Rev. O. W. Powers to be president be made unanimous (Rev. I. H. Coe presiding), a motion that carried, escorted the newly elected president to the chair and in a few well-chosen words presented him with the historic cane and the convention Bible, which upon receiving, the new president entered upon his duties.

The secretary moved that a committee be appointed to nominate officers for the Mission Board, Board of Control for Franklinton College, Board of Control for Correspondence College, Board of Advisors for Aged Ministers' Home. Carried.

Information was given the convention that Eld. G. W. Melford, of the Southern Ohio Christian Conference, was dying.

Upon motion of Dr. J. J. Summerbell, Doctor Weston led in prayer, after which the convention adjourned. Benediction by Doctor Weston.

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THE convention was called to order at 2:00 P.M. by the president, and Rev. D. I. Putnam led in prayer. The minutes of the forenoon session were read and corrected and approved.

\* Not passed to the Secretary's table.

The Committee on Order of Business submitted a partial report, recommending that all the time of this afternoon after 2:30 be given to the Christian Publishing Association, and that the evening be given to the department of the Y. P. S. C. E. Carried.

The Committee on the Roll submitted an additional report. Report adopted.

The convention secretary read the ninth item of his report. Voted to refer the item as suggested by the report.

Dr. J. J. Summerbell submitted the following resolutions:

*Resolved*, That a committee be appointed to report upon the feasibility of devising a plan for the apportionment of denominational financial burdens. The resolution was adopted.

*Resolved*, That a committee be appointed to devise some method by which we may cultivate closer fraternal relation with independent ministers and churches that occupy our biblical and unsectarian position. Adopted.

*Resolved*, That a committee be appointed to report a plan for increasing the effectiveness of the home mission work of the Mission Department by the appointment by this convention (by ballot) of an assistant secretary to work under direction of the secretary to increase home mission interest and to secure supplies for churches that allow their pulpits to be vacant by securing the adoption of conference supervision or the consent of the churches themselves. Adopted.

The convention secretary then read his report, which was on motion of Dr. J. J. Summerbell referred as the report suggested, except the item referring to re-incorporation, that to go to the Committee on Re-incorporation.

The president then declared that the convention was adjourned, the time having arrived for the Christian Publishing Association to be called to order.

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The convention was called to order at 7:00 P.M. with the president in the chair. A song service was conducted by Rev. C. V. Strickland, after which prayer was offered by Rev. Thomas Weeks.

The Committee on the Roll submitted an additional report. Dr. D. A. Long moved its adoption. Carried.

Rev. W. P. Fletcher very pleasantly welcomed the Christian Endeavorers. Rev. P. A. Canada, secretary of the Y. P. S. C. E. Department, responded to the welcome and also made the Department report. The report was referred to the Committee on the Y. P. S. C. E.

The Committee on the Order of Business submitted report which was adopted: 8:30 A.M., Devotional; 9:15 A.M., Christian Publishing Association; 10:10 A.M., Reception of Fraternal Delegates; 11:15 A.M., Mission Secretary's Report; 2:00 P.M., Woman's Mission Board; 7:00 P.M., Sunday-school Department.

Rev. C. S. Masterson addressed the convention. Subject, "International Fellowship."

Rev. McD. Howsare addressed the convention. Subject, "Junior Endeavor Work."

Rev. G. A. Conibeare discussed "Christian Endeavor and Missions."

Convention then adjourned. Benediction by Rev. D. B. Atkinson.

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The convention was called to order at 8:30 A.M. by the president, and Rev. Dr. Holmes led in prayer. Rev. Mr. Follansbee made a few very appropriate remarks in the interest of a harmonious convention.

The president announced the Committee on Apportionment, Missions, and Finance.

The Committee on the Roll submitted an additional report.

The convention then adjourned in favor of the Christian Publishing Association.

On the adjournment of the Christian Publishing Association, the convention was called to order and the time of the forenoon up to eleven o'clock was, by vote, given to the Christian Publishing Association.

When the Christian Publishing Association took a recess, the convention was called to order, and a motion prevailed to introduce fraternal delegates.

Doctor Weston introduced Rev. Dr. Ball, who brought greetings from the General Conference of Free Baptists. Dr. D. A. Long moved that the secretary acknowledge the greeting and that the president of the American Christian Convention and the Christian Publishing Association be the fraternal delegates to the next General Conference.

Doctor DeVore introduced Rev. Dr. John R. H. Latchaw, president of the Defiance, Ohio, college. Rev. Mills Harrod introduced Rev. B. R. Long, of Columbus, Ohio, who represented the National Council of Congregational churches.

Dr. D. A. Long moved that the presidents of the American Christian Convention and Christian Publishing Association be fraternal delegates to all the conferences and assemblies represented by fraternal delegates, and that they be authorized to appoint their alternates if necessary. Carried.

The convention then adjourned.

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The convention was called to order at 2:00 P.M. by President Powers.

Committees on Fraternal Relations, Organization, and Incorporation were announced.

The Committee on the Roll submitted an additional report. Report adopted.

Rev. J. G. Bishop moved that, as Doctor Holmes is to be absent, Dr. J. P. Barrett be substituted to take his place on the program. Carried.

Committee on Order of Business submitted a partial report for Saturday's session, which was adopted as follows: 8:30-11:30, Educational Department; 11:30-12:00, convention business; 2:00-4:00, convention business; 4:00-5:00, Franklinton College and the interests of the colored brethren (South); 7:00, song service; 7:30, address of Rev. J. P. Barrett, D.D.; report of Condolence Committee; Sunday service as arranged by the pastor of the church.

The Woman's Board for Foreign Missions then made reports, presided over by the president, Mrs. J. B. Weston.

Rev. J. G. Bishop, secretary of the Mission Department, read the report of the department, which was by vote referred to appropriate committees.

Mr. Alexanian, an Armenian missionary, addressed the convention, as did also Mr. Pathian, of the same country, now of New York City.

The Committee on Apportionment made a partial report. Report adopted.

Adjourned. Benediction by Rev. Dr. A. H. Morrill.

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AFTER a song service conducted by Rev. C. V. Strickland, the president called the convention to order, and called Rev. G. A. Conibeare, vice-president for New England, to preside. Rev. Dr. A. H. Morrill offered prayer.

Rev. C. A. Tillinghast, D.D., secretary for Sunday schools, read the report of the department. Referred to the Committee on Sunday Schools. Rev. G. W. Morrow discussed "Modern Methods." Rev. M. T. Morrill discussed the Sunday-school department in the *Herald of Gospel Liberty*.

On motion of Dr. J. J. Summerbell, the paper was referred to the Board of Trustees of the Christian Publishing Association, with the approval of the American Christian Convention.

Rev. Elias Jones read a paper on the subject of "Supplies and their Importance."

The Committee on Communications submitted its report. Report adopted except that part which refers to delegates to the Ohio Anti-Saloon League Convention, which was referred to the Committee on Nominations.

Rev. D. W. Moore offered a resolution concerning the qualifications of the minister, which was referred to the Committee on Organization.

Rev. Carl Summerbell offered the following resolution:

WHEREAS, It would benefit our denomination

greatly to have an officer whose duty it would be to look after weak churches and general church extension, therefore it is recommended to the Home Mission Department to take into consideration the advisability of securing the general secretary's, J. F. Burnett, entire time for the convention and church extension. Referred to Committee on Home Missions.

Rev. W. T. Warbinton read a memorial to his Majesty, the Czar of Russia, and to his Excellency, the President of the United States, which was by motion amended by adding a like memorial to the Queen of England, and that provision be made for sending them to the several rulers named.

*To His Majesty, Nicholas XI., the Czar of all the Russias:*

The members of the Christian denomination of the United States and Canada, in General Conference assembled at Newmarket, Ontario, give thanks to Almighty God for the grace, which he has given to you in moving you to propose the gradual disarmament of the great military powers of the world.

We are few, your Majesty, and far away, but our hearts go out in gratitude to you for this great act of wisdom; and pray that God's blessing may abide upon you, crowning your efforts with abundant success.

As your illustrious grandfather won for himself immortal honor by the liberation of the serfs, so may your name be crowned with light in the records of the ages as the leader of the nations into the ways of peace.

*To His Excellency, President McKinley, U. S. A.:*

The members of the Christian denomination of the United States and Canada, assembled at Newmarket, Ontario, with their neighbors and friends in General Conference assembled, having read the request of the Emperor of Russia for a conference of the nations to consider the gradual disarmament of the military powers, most respectfully express their hope and expectation that the Government of the United States will do everything within its power to further this most Christian undertaking, and to hasten the day when nations shall know war no more.

*To Her Most Gracious Majesty, Queen Victoria, of the United Kingdom, Great Britain and Ireland, Defender of the Faith, Empress of India:*

The members of the Christian denomination of the United States and Canada, assembled at Newmarket, Ontario, with their neighbors and friends in General Conference assembled, having read the request of the Emperor of Russia for a conference of the nations to consider the gradual disarmament of the military powers, most respectfully express their hope and expectation that the Government of England will do everything within its power to further this most Christian undertaking, and to hasten the day when nations shall know war no more.

Rev. Mr. Everingham offered a resolution concerning *Sunday-school Helps*, which was referred to the Committee on Sunday Schools.

Voted to make the Home Mission Board special order at 2:00 P.M., Saturday.

Adjourned. Benediction by J. F. Burnett.

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The convention was called to order at 8:15, President Powers in the chair. Rev. T. G. Moses led in prayer.

Minutes of the preceding sessions not having previously been adopted were read and approved.

Items one and nine of the secretary's report were read and the recommendations adopted.

The Committee on Communication made its report. Report adopted.

The hour for the Educational Department having arrived, Rev. C. J. Jones, D.D., vice-president for New York and New Jersey, was called to the chair, and Rev. M. Summerbell, D.D., secretary for the Department for Education, took charge.

Moved by Dr. A. H. Morrill that the entire time of this forenoon be given to the Educational Department. Carried.

Rev. Dr. Aldrich represented Union Christian College, of Indiana. Rev. Dr. Staley represented Elton College, North Carolina. Rev. D. M. Helfinstine, M.A., represented Palmer College, of Iowa. In the absence of President O. B. Whitaker, Dr. J. J. Summerbell spoke for Kansas Christian College.

Rev. M. Summerbell, D.D., secretary for education, offered the following resolution, which was adopted:

*Resolved*, That the retiring secretary for education be authorized, after paying any bill now standing against the department, to turn over the unexpended balance of the General Educational Fund to the credit of Kansas Christian College.

Rev. Mr. Follansbee was called upon to speak for Palmer College, which he did.

Rev. C. J. Jones, D.D., represented Starkey Seminary.

Rev. Dr. Weston represented the Christian Biblical Institute.

Rev. M. Summerbell, D.D., president of the Correspondence College, represented that college.

Dr. M. Summerbell, secretary for education, submitted the report for the department.

Moved by Dr. Morrill that the report be referred to the Committee on Education, except that part which refers to a painful matter, and that, that be referred to the Christian Publishing Association. Carried.

Rev. D. M. Helfinstine, president of Palmer College, addressed the convention on the "Qualification of Our Earlier Ministry."

Rev. Dr. Aldrich discussed "Co-Education in Practice and Outlook."

Rev. J. P. Barrett, D.D., addressed the convention in the interest of educated missionaries.

Prof. J. N. Dales presented "Educational Prospects in Canada."

Rev. W. W. Staley, D.D., discussed "Advanced Education for the Ministry."

Voted to adjourn for the convention picture at 3 P.M.

Voted to request Dr. J. P. Barrett to give the history of the convention cane.

Voted to pay the price of the convention song.

Convention adjourned. Benediction by Dr. J. B. Weston.

NOTE.—During the address of Dr. Staley a motion prevailed to adjourn as the hour was late. This was agreeable to Dr. Staley, who finished his address at 3 P.M.

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CONVENTION called to order by the president Rev. R. G. Fenton led in prayer.

On motion of Judge Whitelock, the convention voted to adjourn from 3:00 to 3:30 P.M. so that the Christian Publishing Association could hold a session.

Rev. Emily K. Bishop, president of the Woman's Home Mission Board, took charge and read the Scriptures and Rev. McD. Howsare led in prayer. The president then read her address. The convention then adjourned in favor of the Christian Publishing Association, at the close of which the convention was called to order and at once took a recess in order to have its picture taken.

On reassembling the Committee on Organization submitted its report.

Moved by Doctor Morrill that the report lie upon the table. Carried.

Rev. Z. A. Poste took charge of the Franklinton hour and reported his work at Franklinton.

Moved that a committee of two be appointed to audit the accounts of Rev. M. Summerbell, D.D., secretary for education. Carried. Adjourned.

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The convention was called to order by the president. After a song service, Rev. W. H. Denison led in prayer.

Doctor Barrett explained the value of the convention cane.

Rev. D. W. Moore offered the following resolution which was adopted:

*Resolved*, That in this house at the Sunday morning service a collection be taken for the benefit of the Newmarket church.

The committee to audit the accounts of the secretary for education and the president of the Correspondence College submitted its reports. Reports adopted.

Rev. J. P. Barrett, D.D., discussed the subject of Missions.

Rev. C. I. Deyo read the report of the Committee on Concurrence. Adopted by standing. Elder Garbutt led in prayer.

The Committee on Finance submitted report. Report adopted.

Moved by Dr. D. A. Long that the president invite all the ministers of the town to attend the remaining sessions of the convention. Carried.

Adjourned. Benediction by Rev. I. M. Hoel.

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The convention was called to order at 8:30 A.M. President Powers in the chair. Rev. Dr. DeVore led in prayer.

Minutes read and adopted.

Doctor Morrill offered the following resolution, which was adopted on motion of Dr. D. A. Long:

*Resolved*, That the Executive Board be authorized by this convention to appoint its next quadrennial session to convene on the second Tuesday in October, 1902, and that Thursday at 10 A.M. be the time for the election of officers. Adopted.

On motion of Rev. W. H. Denison item five of the convention secretary's report was adopted.

Dr. D. A. Long offered the following resolution:

*Resolved*, That the *American Christian* be revived as a quarterly publication, and that all official calls and appeals by the convention be made direct through the secretary's office. Adopted.

The Committee on Apportionment submitted its report, which was, on motion of Dr. D. A. Long, adopted.

On motion of Dr. D. A. Long speeches were limited to five minutes, no one to speak twice on the same subject.

Voted to thank Doctor McWhinney for the work he has done in the interest of peace and harmony during the convention.

Rev. G. A. Conbear called to preside.

Rev. J. G. Bishop offered a resolution which was referred to the Committee on Missions.

The report on Organization was by vote taken from the table. Moved to amend by making the Executive Committee the special committee contemplated in the report. Amendment carried.

Rev. J. G. Bishop moved to amend so as to empower the Executive Committee to proceed to incorporate if a legal incorporation can be effected and the exigency of the case demand it. Amendment carried and the amended report adopted.

On motion of Doctor Morrill, Doctor McWhinney was invited to address the convention, which he proceeded to do.

Rev. D. W. Moore offered the following resolution which was adopted by a standing vote:

*Resolved*, That we express our most hearty thanks to the pastor and members of this church, the choir and the people and press of Newmarket, and to Rev. C. V. Strickland, and the Newmarket vicinity for the kind and hospitable entertainment and service given to this convention during its present session.

Dr. D. A. Long moved that the minority report on Christian Union be taken from the table. Carried.

Dr. J. J. Summerbell moved to lay the motion to make the minority report a substitute for the original report on the table. Carried.

Doctor Weston then read the report of the Committee on Christian Union. Moved by Doctor Long that the report be adopted unanimously. Motion pending, a ruling was asked concerning the Craigville resolution. The ruling was that in the adoption of the report the convention did not adopt the Craigville resolution. Report adopted.

Doctor Morrill offered the following resolution, which was seconded by Rev. W. D. Samuel:

*Resolved*, That the following be a committee to devise means to undertake the establishment of a Christian Church in Toronto, the said enterprise to receive our cordial endorsement and to be established as a memorial of our international fellowship. The said committee to consist of Dr. T. M. McWhinney, Hon. F. A. Palmer, Rev. J. G. Bishop, Dr. C. J. Jones, Dr. M. Summerbell, and the executive committee of the Ontario Christian Conference of Ontario. Adopted.

Committee on Education submitted their report. Report adopted.

Rev. Dr. Long offered the following resolution, which was by vote adopted:

*Resolved*, That we learn with pleasure of the success of Rev. F. G. Strickland in organizing a church in the city of Chicago, and that we recommend his work to the favorable consideration of our people who may live in Chicago. Adopted.

Rev. Dr. C. J. Jones suggested that Rev. I. H. Coe address the convention relative to the reported protest. Rev. I. H. Coe addressed the convention.

Rev. B. Mason addressed the convention.

Dr. D. A. Long moved a vote of thanks to Rev. I. H. Coe. Carried.

The Committee on Nomination made its report. By vote of the convention the secretary cast the vote of the convention for the officers named.

Rev. O. L. Pride offered the following resolution. Moved by Doctor Morrill that it be adopted. Carried.

*Resolved*, That as we have quite a constituency in Cincinnati, Ohio, we recommend that an effort be made for establishing a Christian church in that city and that the chair appoint a committee of five to investigate and if possible establish there a Christian church.

The Committee on Distribution of President's Address submitted its report.

Motion to adopt pending, the convention adjourned. Benediction by Rev. D. E. Millard.

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The convention was called to order at 3:00 P.M. at the close of a session of the Christian Publishing Association.

The Committee on Missions submitted its report. Adopted.

The Committee on Reform submitted its report. Adopted.

Committee on Home Missions submitted its report. Adopted.

The Committee on Sunday Schools submitted its report. Adopted.

The Committee on Y. P. S. C. E. submitted its report. Adopted.

Rev. Mr. Batchelor moved to add Doctor DeVore's name to the list of delegates to the Ohio Anti-Saloon League. Carried.

Dr. W. S. Long moved that it is the sense of the convention that the next session be held in the South. Carried.

Voted to make Dr. E. A. DeVore a member of the National Board of Directors of the Anti-Saloon League.

Rev. J. G. Bishop offered the following resolution:

*Resolved*, That this convention think favorably of commencing work among the Armenians and others in the Island of Cyprus, and commend the due consideration of this matter to the Mission Board. Carried.

Dr. D. A. Long moved to publish the minutes of the American Christian Convention by the Christian Publishing Association unless the trustees think otherwise. Carried.

Dr. D. A. Long addressed the convention on the subject of "The Duty of the Citizen."

Voted that the address of Doctor Long be made a part of the proceedings of the convention.

Voted to take the report on the Distribution of President's Report from the table. Report adopted.

Adjourned. Benediction by Doctor Weston.

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The convention was called to order at 7:30 by the president, and, after a song service, Rev. J. F. Bur-

nett read the Scriptures, and Rev. J. J. Summerbell, D.D., offered prayer.

Rev. Alva H. Morrill, D.D., preached a thrilling sermon from the words, "Thou Art the Christ."

At the close of the sermon Rev. J. B. Weston, D.D., conducted a platform meeting, in which Doctor Watson, Rev. Garbutt, Doctor Barrett, W. J. Warren, D. M. Hellfinstine, Rev. John A. Young, B. S. Batchelor, and many others participated. During the meeting the congregation stood and sang one verse of "God save the gracious Queen," one verse of "America," and one verse of "All hail the power of Jesus' name."

Convention adjourned. Song, "God be with you till we meet again," repeating Lord's Prayer, and benediction by the president.

### Committees.

*Roll*—E. L. Goodwin, of Massachusetts; Rev. R. G. Fenton, of New York; Rev. W. P. Chase, of New Jersey; Rev. L. E. Follansbee, of Iowa; Rev. J. A. Clapp, of Illinois; Rev. M. G. Collins, of Illinois; Rev. Joseph Barney, of Pennsylvania.

*Auditing*—Rev. E. A. DeVore, Rev. A. Dunlap.

*Communication*—Rev. D. E. Millard, Rev. Warren Hathaway, Rev. E. A. DeVore, Rev. M. Harrod, Rev. R. H. McDaniel.

*President's Address*—Rev. M. Summerbell, Rev. W. B. Flanders, Rev. J. T. Phillips, Rev. W. D. Samuel, Rev. J. W. Webster.

*Condolence*—Rev. C. I. Devo, Rev. B. S. Batchelor, Rev. T. G. Moses, Rev. S. McNeely, Rev. Thomas Addington, Rev. F. H. Peters, Rev. John Blood.

*Sunday Schools*—Rev. G. W. Morrow, Rev. E. A. DeVore, Rev. Horace Mann, Rev. W. J. Warren, Rev. C. A. Tillinghast, Rev. G. C. Carter, Rev. C. H. Haier.

*Y. P. S. C. E.*—Rev. G. A. Conibear, Rev. McD. Howsare, Rev. G. D. Lawrence, Rev. I. J. Willmarth, Prof. J. N. Dales, Rev. L. E. Follansbee, Rev. B. F. Black.

*Education*—Rev. L. E. Follansbee, Rev. Dally Powell, Rev. R. O. Allen, Rev. J. P. Barrett, Rev. N. Del McReynolds, Rev. Isaac Mooney, Rev. W. H. Denison.

*Missions*—Rev. T. S. Weeks, Rev. Ellen G. Gustin, Rev. W. H. Denison, Rev. W. S. Long, Rev. D. W. Moore, Rev. M. G. Collins, Rev. T. Garbutt.

*Order of Business*—Judge O. W. Whitelock, Rev. Alva H. Morrill, Rev. W. H. Denison, Rev. John Blood, Rev. Myron Tyler.

*Home Mission*—Rev. J. B. Weston, Rev. J. W. Bolton, Rev. C. J. Jones, Rev. Wm. Williams, Rev. M. T. Morrill, Rev. P. H. Fleming, Rev. W. Percy.

*Committee to nominate the Mission Board, Board of Control for Franklinton College, Board of Control for Correspondence College, Board of Advisors for Aged Ministers' Home*—Rev. B. S. Batchelor, Rev. D. I. Putnam, Rev. L. M. Shinkle, Rev. F. P. Trotter, A. L. Johnson, Orpha Adkison, Rev. J. W. Wellons.

*Finance*—Rev. Albert Dunlap, David Peters, W. H. Farrand, Rev. Geo. E. Merrill, Geo. B. Russell, Rev. G. W. Foltz.

*Apportionment*—Rev. G. A. Conibear, Rev. C. L. Singer, Rev. H. B. Bosworth, Rev. W. W. Staley, Rev. Alva H. Morrill.

*Fraternal Relations*—Rev. D. E. Millard, Rev. C. I. Devo, Rev. G. R. Hammond, Rev. H. J. Rhodes, Rev. D. M. Hellfinstine, Rev. T. M. McWhinney, Rev. E. A. DeVore, Rev. Lester Howard, Rev. T. S. Weeks.

*Organization and Incorporation*—Rev. D. A. Long, Rev. M. D. Lyke, Judge O. W. Whitelock, Rev. T. Garbutt, E. L. Goodwin, Rev. I. H. Coe, Rev. B. Mason.

*To Audit the Accounts of M. Summerbell*—Rev. J. F. Burnett, Rev. L. E. Follansbee.

*Moral Reforms*—Rev. S. G. Helffenstein, Rev. Clarence Defur, Kirk Williamson, Rev. J. P. Barrett, Rev. G. B. Garner.

*Church in Cincinnati*—Rev. J. F. Burnett, Rev. L. M. Shinkle, Rev. E. A. DeVore, Rev. D. A. Long, Rev. S. D. Bennett.

*Church in Toronto, Executive Committee*—Rev. T. M. McWhinney, Hon. F. A. Palmer, Rev. J. G. Bishop, Rev. C. J. Jones, Rev. M. Summerbell.

### Delegates as per Report of Committee on the Roll.

October 11-18, 1898.

*Arkansas Northwestern*—*Bible Union*—*Des Moines*—Rev. L. E. Follansbee, Orpha Adkison. *Eastern Atlantic*—*Evre*—Mrs O. W. Powers, Rev. B. Mason, Rev. Alonzo Shafer, Rev. H. H. Pershing, T. M. Ryan. *Eel River*—R. F. Judy, Rev. W. D. Samuel, Rev. G. K. Hammond, Mrs. John R. Young, Rev. W. G. Parker, Rev. W. D. Samuel, Rev. D. B. Atkinson, Rev. J. W. Bolton, Rev. John R. Young, Mrs. Mary Addington, Mrs. Matilda Whisler, Mrs. George Thompson, Rev. Mrs. M. A. Thompson, Judge O. W. Whitelock. *Georgia and Alabama*—*Indiana Northwestern*—Rev. S. McNeely, Rev. Wm. Heffin, J. N. Hess, W. A. Baugher, Laban Vernon, Rev. C. V. Strickland. *Indiana Western*—S. R. Fairfield, Rev. B. H. Gott, Martha Bowers, Mrs. Emma Powell, Rev. Dally Powell, A. H. Bowers, Rev. F. P. Trotter, Rev. S. M. Mosteller, Rev. L. J. Aldrich, A. M. Ward, Hattie E. Henry, Warren Watson, Rev. J. T. Phillips, S. M. Phillips, Jesse Bowers, Alvira Bowers, J. M. Thornburg, Mrs. Bell Phillips, Rachel Kenyon, Barbara Hays, Joseph S. Henry. *Indiana Central*—Rev. D. O. Coy, N. W. Alexander. *Indiana Eastern*—Miss Ida Crawford, Rev. Geo. B. Cain, Joseph Godlove, Rev. G. W. Johnson, Rev. H. B. Bosworth, Rev. J. R. Cortner, Rev. R. P. Arrick, Rev. O. A. Harris, Rev. J. W. Gray, Mrs. Laura Hines, Rev. F. F. Canada, C. W. Chenoweth, Rev. A. M. Addington, B. M. Stoddard, Rev. H. L. Lott, Rev. Thomas Addington, J. B. Stanley, Mrs. H. L. Lott. *Illinois Southern*—*Illinois Central*—A. L. Johnson, Rev. John Green, John Harshbarger, Zac Starr, Rev. G. D. Lawrence, Rev. C. S. Masterson, Rev. J. A. Clapp, Rev. G. W. Rippey, Levi Goodell, C. E. James, Clara Johnson. *Illinois Western*—Rev. R. W. Pittman, J. H. Newman. *Iowa Northwestern*—*Iowa Central*—Rev. D. M. Hellfinstine. *Kentucky First*—*Kentucky Second*—*Kansas Eastern*—*Kansas Southern*—Rev. Isaac Mooney. *Kansas Northern*—Charles Ablard. *Miami*—Mrs. James Maple, Rev. Henry Crampton, Rev. I. C. Wayne, Mrs. W. T. Warbinton, Rev. W. T. Warbinton, David Peters, Rev. C. A. McDaniel, Rev. T. M. McWhinney, Rev. McD. Howsare, Rev. H. Y. Rush, Mrs. Susan Brandon, Rev. J. G. Bishop, Rev. Emily K. Bishop, Rev. Alva M. Kerr, Mrs. W. A. Gross, Mrs. T. A. Worley, M. O. Adams, Mrs. M. O. Adams, Rev. W. H. Denison, Kirk Williamson, Rev. N. Del McReynolds, Rev. Carl Summerbell, Mrs. S. S. Newhouse, Rev. S. S. Newhouse, Rev. W. A. Gross, J. W. Orr, Mrs. J. W. Orr, T. A. Worley, Mrs. C. A. Morse, Mrs. M. Powers, H. W. Morse, Mt. Vernon—Rev. F. H. Peters, Rev. Mills Harrod, Rev. C. M. Hazans, Rev. A. Dunlap, Rev. C. L. Halterman. *Miami Reserve*—Rev. M. M. Wiles, Mrs. W. J. Meranda, Mrs. M. F. Shrader, Ed T. Hatton, Ida Hatton, K. Aughe, K. Anderson. *Michigan*—Rev. J. A. Young, Mrs. J. A. Young, Rev. C. I. Devo, Rev. D. E. Millard; *alternates*, Rev. E. Mudge, Rev. Thomas Holmes. *Missouri Northern*—*Maine*—Rev. J. W. Webster, *Merrimack*—Rev. J. E. Everingham. *Michigan Eastern*—Rev. S. W. Bennett, D. B. Skinner. *North Carolina*—*New York Western*—Rev. Horace Mann, Rev. S. Q. Helffenstein, Rev. D. W. Moore, J. Darwin Chase, John B. Pease. *New Jersey*—W. H. Farrand, A. S. Eckel, Rev. Geo. C. Carter, Rev. J. J. Summerbell, N. W. Crouse, Rev. W. Parkison Chase, Rev. I. J. Willmarth. *North Carolina and Virginia*—*New York Eastern*—Mrs. G. B. Russell, H. S. Bradley, Rev. James Wright, Rev. M. D. Lyke, G. B. Russell, Mrs. M. D. Lyke, Rev. R. G. Fenton, Rev. P. A. Canada, Rev. D. I. Putnam, Rev. M. G. Honsberger, George A. Boice, Mrs. G. A. Boice, Mrs. J. P. Winans, Rev. John Blood, Mrs. J. B. Weston, Rev. C. A. Tillinghast, C. Wesley Schiffer, Mrs. C. J. Jones, Rev. R. O. Allen, Hon. F. A. Palmer, Mrs. R. O. Allen, Rev. Warren Hathaway. *New York Southern*—*New York Central*—Rev. O. P. Potter, Lydia A. Martin, Rev. Scott Thompson, Rev. E. D. Hammond, Mrs. L. L. Sellon, Rev. C. J. Jones, president State Conference; E. L. Goodwin, trustee Biblical Institute; Rev. J. B. Weston, president C. B. I.; Rev. Z. A. Poste, president Franklinton College; Rev. Martyn Summerbell, president Starkey Seminary. *New York Northern*—*Northern Illinois and Wisconsin*—*Nebraska*—

*North Carolina*—William Williams, president State Conference; Rev William Allen, J S Rogers. *North Carolina Western*—*Oklahoma*—  
*Ontario*—Rev W H Chidley, Rev T Garbutt, Rev Charles H Hauser, Rev W Percy, W R Stone, J N Dalos, Elmer Lick. *Ohio Northwestern*—Rev D Lerley, Lewis Winegardner, Rev W C Rimer, Mrs G R Mell, Rev G B Garner, Mrs C J Hance, Rev G R Mell, Rev L Gander, W G Fowler, Rev G W Foltz, M B Wheeler, Mrs M B Wheeler, Rev C A Garner. *Ohio Southern*—Rev D A Long, Joseph Stroman, Rev E A DeVore, Rev R H McDaniel, Rev C L Singer, B F Gardner, Rev J F Barnett, Hiram Trisler, Rev L M Shinkle, Rev Ora L Pridg, Rev S D Bennett. *Ohio Central*—Rev H E Butler, Rev N W Crowell, Muttie Clymer, Rev S M Mitholland, Rev S A Caris, Rev Wm Webb, Mrs W H Alkire, W H Alkire, Josiah Redding, Mrs Mary Heath, Mrs J W O Day, William Heath, John W Watson. *Ohio Northeastern*—Rev G W D Short, W H Eversole, A O Cranmer, Rev H H Holyerstott. *Ohio Eastern*—Rev W J Warrenner, Rev James B Massy y. *Ohio*—Rev John A Southward, Mrs M C Southward, Mrs J Weaver, Rev R W Vandyk, Rev O W Powers, president of State Conference. *Osage*—*Pennsylvania Southern*—Rev J Joseph Barney, Mrs R V Barney. *Pennsylvania Western*—*Red River*—  
*Kays Hill*—John B Willison, Wesley Bennett, *Richland Union*—*Rhode Island and Massachusetts*—Rev Geo E Merrill, Rev B S Batchelor, Rev C H Shank, Rev Lester Howard, Rev Ellen G Gustin, Rev A H Morrill, J R Dunham, Rev I H Coe, C M Gustin, Grace Goodwin, Emma Fairbanks, L M Faunce, Rev W B Flanders, Rev T S Weeks, Mrs Julia Clark, Rev G A Conbeare, president N E Ch Con. *Rockingham*—D L Bartlett, C D Garland, Mary A Roberts, Mrs John Pilling, Rev G A Beebe, Rev D A Boatright, Rev Myron Tyler, Rev M D Wolfe, Edwin Pettigill. *Southwestern West Virginia*—*Southern Indiana and Illinois*—Rev A H Bennett, Rev Clarence Defur, W T Bennett, Mrs Cora Bennett. *Southern Wabash, Illinois*—Rev A O Jacobs, Rev I M Hoel, Rev J M Plunkett, R A Plunkett, Rev Pleasant Wade, Rev J A Tracy, J P Madden, P S Mahaney, Mrs B A Randolph. *Spring River*—*Tioga River*—Rev H L Grilling, Mrs M A Douglass, Rev A G Lewis. *Union Iowa*—*Virginia Valley*—Rev B F Black. *West Virginia*—*Virginia Central*—Rev E T Isley. *Vermont State*—Rev M T Morrill, Susie E Morrow, Rev G W Morrow. *Western Michigan and Northern Indiana*—*Wisconsin Northern*—*Western Washington*—*Southern Christian Convention*—Rev W S Long, Rev W W Staley, Rev J W Wellons, J D Wicker, J E West, J W Faulk, W T Young, Rev P H Fleming, Rev P T Klapp. *Eastern Virginia*—Rev J P Barrett, Mrs J P Barrett. *Eastern Virginia (colored)*—Rev S A Howell. *York and Cumberland*—Rev T G Moses, Rev N T Ridlon, Mrs T G Moses, Annie Libby. *Fraternal Delegates*—Rev Byron R Long, Congregationalist; Dr Geo Ball, Free Baptist; Rev J R H Latchaw, Defiance College.

## Report of President.

### *Brethren of the American Christian Convention:*

Agreeably with the provision of our Constitution (Article VII), last clause), I present to you my report, together with the reports of the various secretaries, to be read by them at the time assigned in the program as arranged by the Executive Board, following the precedent of previous conventions.

As we have assembled from the various sections of our denomination at this quadrennial gathering, it is fitting that devout thanksgiving be rendered to Almighty God for his unfailing mercy toward us, and that earnest prayers be offered for his guidance in all our deliberations, to the end that great good may accrue to the cause of Christ because of the work of this convention.

Without anticipating your action, foreshadowed by the provision of the program, concerning our beloved brethren who have been transferred to the heavenly home since our last meeting, I cannot forbear to call your attention to the fact that Brethren

Garoutte and Maple and Sister Haley, who participated actively in the Haverhill convention, are no longer with us, but now rest from their earthly labors. God alone knows who of us may be called during the next four years. May we be as ready as they were whenever the summons comes.

The reports of the convention and department secretaries will show you what has been done with the resources which you have furnished your servants. Your officers have sought to carry out your action and do the work entrusted to them to the best of their ability. I know of only one thing in which they have failed to heed your instructions. They did not employ the full time of the secretary. As the consummation of the matter was left to the Board, it did not seem best to the officers composing it to arrange the matter, and it has not been done.

Only two meetings of the Board have been held during the past four years, though much has been done by correspondence. Our aim has been to reduce convention expenses to as small an amount as possible, without impairing the efficiency of our work.

The publication of the *American Christian* was discontinued about a year after the Haverhill convention; and later, the expense of sending out the convention calls by circular was obviated by using the *Herald of Gospel Liberty* for such calls, the Christian Publishing Association furnishing all necessary copies and mailing the same, without expense to the convention, while the editor has cooperated with our secretary in the work, devoting much space to editorials and contributed articles in presenting the cause in whose interest the call was issued. I believe the plan worthy of continued trial. I would recommend that the convention take action appreciative of the help of the Christian Publishing Association in this matter.

### *Statistics.*

Agreeably with the constitutional provision, Article XL, a, our secretary sent out requests for statistical information to be sent to the president to aid him in preparing his report. A few responses were received, giving a part of the facts desired. Their attention was called to the matter through the *Herald*, explaining fully what was expected. A few more responses were secured, and later another appeal was made to the conference officers who have responded, while I will excuse those who did not, some of them probably failing to see the second and third calls, as they are not readers of our denominational paper. Should the CHRISTIANS' ANNUAL continue to give as full statistics as are given this year, your successor in office will easily find in it what is now desired, and, by comparison, can report the condition and growth of the denomination.

In making my summary of our statistics, I have depended mainly upon Secretary Burnett's report. The number of conferences is 72. They are composed of 1,489 churches, having 109,000 members. They have approximately 1,150 houses of worship.

I am unable to give the gains in each item for the past four years, as only a few have reported these items for the years 1894 and 1898, or the gains and losses for the four years. The fact that some conferences show losses, owing to the disbanding of weak churches, and the revision of the roll of membership and other causes, leads me to conclude that our entire membership is about the same as four years ago. There has been growth, though the numerical increase is slight. There is better organization, better equipment, more cooperation. All these must be increased. More hearty cooperation, more unity of effort is imperatively needed if we are to hold our own and make gains. We are not a large denomination, and being so widely scattered, with strong representation in only a very few limited areas, it is vitally necessary for us to work together harmoniously. Discord would certainly bring death and death. A limited study of our imperfect statistics reveals the fact that by far the larger part of our churches are small numerically, thus accounting for the fact that our benevolent contributions are no larger, because home work must be supported, having the first claim.

As we are not a large body, we cannot carry on our

work after the fashion of large denominations. Our policy should be centralization and economy of our force. We have scattered too much. I refer to mistakes of the past only to save their repetition in the future. Look at our schools. They are isolated. The greater solidity of the Free Baptist denomination, smaller numerically, is due to their wise concentration. They were wise enough to remove their theological school from Whitestown, N. Y., to New Hampton, N. H., that it might be in touch with a good academy; and later, when Bates College materialized, they joined it and the Nichols Latin School, and thus centralized strength. Their Hillsdale is another illustration.

I would be glad to see our publishing interests, a college, Biblical Institute, and preparatory school all centered in one place, where we have a good church or churches, and have all those interests work together for the advancement of our common cause. I am constrained to urge upon this convention that in all our plans for enlarging our work and increasing our power for good, we keep in mind the concentration of our strength, that we may multiply efficiency and not waste it. Anticipating the continuance of the ANNUAL after its present plan of statistics, with such improvement as seems to be required, I shall recommend in another part of my report the discontinuance of the requirement that conference officers furnish the president with certain statistics.

#### *The Secretaries' Reports.*

Though the evident intention of Article VIII. of the Constitution, requiring the department secretaries to make a written or printed report of the doings of "their departments, accompanied with recommendations, not less than one month prior to every regular meeting of the convention," which the president shall lay before it at its opening, was to the effect that such reports should be presented by the president, "together with a like report and recommendations made by himself," it is doubtless better to have such reports made by the secretaries themselves, as provided for by the program, following the precedent of previous conventions. I make a recommendation touching this matter under the head of Amendments to the Constitution.

While not advised concerning all the recommendations of the secretaries, and hence unable to add or withhold my endorsement, I trust you will give to them all the careful attention they deserve, not hesitating to give favorable action where changes are proposed, if, in your judgment, our cause may receive benefit thereby.

#### *The Subject of Collections*

May properly receive some attention from me beside that given to it by the various secretaries. All these should be substantially increased during the next four years.

The Educational collection, the smallest of the four general collections, has fallen far short of what it should be, and far below those for missions. As no one of our eight schools, reported by the Secretary of the Educational Department, has an adequate endowment to furnish such an equipment as its needs demand, this lack of stated income from vested funds should be made up by the generosity of our churches. This collection should be more than doubled in the next four years.

The Sunday-school Department should receive better financial recognition. The collection authorized to be taken for this important work in August annually has averaged less than seventy-five dollars. Our twelve hundred Sunday schools could easily raise five hundred dollars annually and ought to raise one thousand dollars. The time of the collection is unfortunate. It should be taken the last of May or in October, the latter time probably being the better. Pastors and Sunday-school officers should take an interest in this matter that would secure the advance suggested, as this would mean only about one cent a year for each pupil enrolled.

For the first time in its history, this convention will have a report from the Secretary of the Christian Endeavor Department, which was incorporated into our organization at Haverhill. The wisdom of

this advance step is fully justified by the results of its work the past four years. It proves to be especially helpful in missionary work. So great is the enthusiasm for foreign missions that the New England Endeavorers have undertaken the support of two missionaries, one of whom, the Rhode Island and Massachusetts Conference, by assignment of the New England Convention, takes as its own. All our larger conferences could do the same, and thus be of great service to the Missionary Department of the convention. Our convention should encourage the conferences, through their Christian Endeavor societies, to assume the support of home and foreign missionaries, as such definite work will elicit more interest and secure larger contributions. Could not the Endeavor societies of some one or two conferences assure the Missionary Secretary that they would assume the support of the Colorado missionary, Rev. T. W. Howard?

The Missionary Department needs increased funds to carry on work at home and abroad, though nearly two-thirds of all the money raised in response to convention calls is for this work. We must remember that money is absolutely necessary to the support of missions at home or abroad. With larger funds in hand the work already undertaken could be greatly strengthened. While something has been published concerning new missionary work, I most earnestly ask you not to impair our present work by establishing new missions. I would be glad if we could enter new fields where there is need of additional work, but I most respectfully suggest that we do not undertake such work until our treasury begins to feel the pressure of a largely increased free-will offering from the people. Let us centralize our missionary efforts, and not make anew the mistakes elsewhere made of scattering strength. It is better to be numerously represented in limited areas than to have small churches scattered over wide areas, isolated from helpful associations. The small, isolated church will die, when it might live, were it in close touch with stronger churches. Our many churches that have died out in New England and elsewhere are emphatic examples of the truth of what I am saying.

One important matter which should receive careful attention, either in the convention or by its reference to the Executive Board, is THE VALIDITY OF OUR INCORPORATION. Because question had been raised concerning it, legal opinion has been sought, which was rendered last June, accompanied by a suggested constitution that would be in harmony with the laws of Ohio touching such corporations.

Relying upon the attorney's opinion, I thought it would be best for the Executive Board to move in the matter at once, that the preliminary steps might be taken before the meeting of this convention, so that, upon its ratification, the matter would be settled beyond further question.

However, as some of the brethren were not of that opinion, the matter has rested until now. Notice was given, however, in the *Herald* of July 7 that amendments would be proposed to the present Constitution, which were designed to change it so it should be like the Constitution proposed. My purpose in moving in the matter was simply to facilitate the business. I trust action will be taken here, as far as possible, so that very soon all question as to the matter may be satisfactorily disposed of, and no further action may be necessary. As matters are now, it may be best to refer it to the new Executive Board, or Board of Trustees, with power.

Akin to this is the subject of

#### *Amendments to the Constitution.*

Beside the notice given by the secretary, the Secretary of Missions has given notice of proposed amendments directly concerning his department.

No important amendments to the Constitution have been made since the New Bedford Convention in 1886, except that providing for the Christian Endeavor Department at Haverhill in 1894. I have given much thought to the matter, especially within the last year, and I have reached the conclusion that there are some changes which would be helpful in simplifying and solidifying our work. In sug-



gesting these changes, I have no other desire than that our work may be advanced. My recommendations are as follow:-

In Article II., prefix to the second sentence, "For this purpose"; erase "that," and change "be expected" to "are requested."

Change Article III. so it shall read, "The officers of this convention shall consist of a president, a secretary, seven trustees, the president and secretary being trustees *ex-officio*, and eight vice-presidents, who shall represent the several State associations and district conventions, all of whom shall be elected by ballot."

In Article VI., substitute "of the Board of Trustees" instead of "of the Executive Board."

In Article VII., change "an appropriate" to "its own"; also after "Secretary" insert "the Secretary of the convention being *ex-officio* Secretary of the Publishing Department"; strike out the last four words, and substitute for them "Board of Trustees."

Change Article VIII. so that it will read as follows: "It shall be the duty of the Trustees to carry out any measure determined upon by the convention, and any other measures which may be deemed necessary and proper and in harmony with Article II. of this Constitution. Each Secretary shall, not less than one month prior to every regular meeting of the convention, make a written or printed report of the work of his department to the Board of Trustees, accompanied with recommendations. Said Board shall submit said reports, with such further recommendations as may seem best, to the convention."

In Article IX., substitute "Board of Trustees" for "Executive Board" in each case; after "President" insert "of the Board of Trustees."

In Article X., after "colleges" insert "and our other schools"; after "State associations" insert "and district conventions"; change the fourth clause so it will read, "Each conference of five hundred (500) or less members may be represented by one delegate, and all others by one minister and one lay delegate for every five hundred members, and one additional delegate for the major fraction of five hundred."

In Article XI., Section 1, after "publishing" insert "Christian Endeavor"; in Section 2, after "elect" strike out "by ballot eight" and insert "five"; strike out the "and the six secretaries, . . . Article VII.," and change "fifteen" to "seven"; strike out all after "Trustees," and add, "The Trustees shall elect one of their number to be President of the Board"; in Section 4 change "seven" to "four"; in Section 5, after "President" insert "of the Board"; change "providing" to "provided"; strike out all of Section 6, and substitute, "Said Trustees shall elect from their number the department secretaries for the term of four years, and until their successors are chosen. The Secretary of the Treasury shall be the Treasurer of the convention"; strike out Sections 7 and 8. I am firmly of the conviction that one Board of Trustees of seven good and true men, such as you elect, will be fully competent to manage all the work of the convention. All our general interests will be better cared for with one executive organization rather than two. Strike out "a" of Section 9, then make it Section 7 of the Article; substitute "Board of Trustees" for "Executive Board."

I believe these changes proposed would be helpful in our work, and for this reason alone I have recommended them.

#### Raising Money.

I also recommend a new plan for raising money for our work. I have been pleased to note that Dr. Summerbell, our editor, and Dr. DeVore have advocated the same plan.

At our last Executive Board meeting I called the attention of those brethren to the same plan. I believe we could raise far more money, and do it more easily, if we could enlist the conferences after the plan now used by the Rhode Island and Massachusetts Conference. Conference officials are in much closer touch with the churches, or should be, than the convent on officers, and know the ability of the

churches to give, and could, with all propriety, ask them for it.

The correspondence of the conference secretary with the convention Secretary would be a great help in bringing about a closer union between us, while this plan would save much clerical work for the convention Secretary. As it has now been tried and found a success, I recommend that the convention adopt the apportionment plan, and seek the coöperation of the conferences in it.

For the conference year ending September, 1897, the Rhode Island and Massachusetts Conference sent to Secretary Burnett \$734.32, if I have figured it rightly; while for the year ending September, 1898, it sent him \$861.45—about one-ninth of the whole year's receipts. This sum does not include the contribution to the Woman's Board of Missions, nor the more than \$400 given by the Endeavor Societies for missions.

Let us make this convention memorable in this regard: that we adopt a new financial plan and greatly increase our benevolences. For the years 1890-94 we raised \$33,691.42; for the years 1894-98 the amount is \$31,371.86.

For the next four years, reaching into the twentieth century, let us make it fully \$60,000. We ought to do it. We can do it. Then this convention could take its place beside New Bedford, where we arranged our work more systematically and organized the Woman's Foreign Mission Board; beside Marion, where the Woman's Home Board was organized and the two sections of our own people were cemented as they had not been since 1854; beside Haverhill, whose action on the union question has become historic, while the Endeavor Department was added. To be a worthy successor of these conventions, as well as of those that planned Antioch College and the Christian Biblical Institute, this convention must devise and inaugurate noble work. Apportion and raise \$15,000 annually for missions, education, and the convention itself. We must go forward. No backward steps can be taken in any regard, not even concerning the unanimous action on the union question at Haverhill.

I have already spoken at too great length to say anything more on this important question, concerning which I believe, if there were perfect understanding and no prejudice, we should find ourselves seeing very nearly eye to eye. This convention, so closely associated with the Christian Publishing Association, is one of great importance, and should consider candidly and prayerfully all questions.

When it concludes, we hope to carry away more zeal for the salvation of souls and the upbuilding of our churches in Christ Jesus, and a higher conception of the truly ideal and unique position we occupy among God's people. Let us perfect the "unity of the spirit in the bond of peace" among ourselves, putting on charity, which is the bond of perfectness, knowing no East, no West, no North, no South, but working together with great heartiness for the upbuilding of truth and righteousness and the overthrow of sin and wretchedness. I bid you God-speed in fulfilling the Master's will concerning us in this convention.

I have no need to remind you that we are brethren, and that there should be no strife between us, even though we do not always see alike.

In concluding my report as President of this convention, I desire to thank you for the trust you reposed in me four years ago, and to assure you that I count it a high honor to be called to this responsible position, the duties of which I have sought conscientiously to perform.

I trust my successor, whom you will elect, whoever he may be, may be able to serve you better, and may enjoy the same cordial and pleasant relations with his associates which have been mine during these four years, and which I wish thus publicly to acknowledge, and for which I wish to thank these official brethren.

Because of greater fidelity to our trust, may we all be more worthy of the abounding grace of our Lord.

Respectfully submitted,

ALVA H. MORRILL,  
Newmarket, Ontario.

October 12, 1898.



## Secretary's Report.

To the American Christian Convention, in session at Newmarket, Ontario, Canada, October 11 to 18, 1898:

SEPTEMBER 27, 1898.

Thanking God through our Lord Jesus Christ for his abundant mercies to us, and in sparing our lives and prospering our work, your secretary would call attention to the following items directly connected with the convention in general and of interest to this session in particular.

1. Your secretary recommends that all letters, communications, and documents of the past quadrennium now in his office and not needed for future reference be destroyed.

2. The *American Christian* was by vote of the Executive Committee, discontinued after the October issue of 1895, and after the meeting of the Executive Committee, January 1, 1896, all official calls and appeals have been made to the churches through the *Herald of Gospel Liberty*. Notwithstanding, the editor, agent, and department secretaries have done all they could to make the method efficient, yet the judgment of your secretary is as it was then, that all calls and appeals should be made direct from the office of the convention secretary. Any method of issuing calls or making appeals for money which does not secure direct attention to the convention itself will, in the judgment of your secretary, have a dividing influence upon the people and lessen the probability of a liberal and prompt response. Whatever method of appeal may be determined upon by this convention for the next quadrennium should be directly connected with, controlled by, and issued from the office of the convention secretary.

3. For the past three years it has been the custom of your secretary to issue "reminders" to all the churches (except those represented in the Southern Christian Convention) that were delinquent in their response to the preceding call. This has proved very efficient, as from fifty to two hundred dollars have been received as a direct result of these reminders in favor of the department for which they were made, besides correcting some errors that had crept into practice with some of our ministers and churches. This method should by all means be continued.

4. Appeals have also been made to the annual conferences for financial aid for the convention, to which many have kindly and liberally responded. Your secretary sees no reason why the annual conferences should not be laid under reasonable tribute for the direct use of the convention.

5. At the meeting of the Executive Committee in New York, January, 1898, the secretary was, by vote of the committee, authorized to discontinue from the weekly reports the amounts contributed by local churches and individuals. In the judgment of the committee the secretary fully concurred at the time, but has since been convinced that it would be better to return to the old way. Many churches have a local pride in the amounts they give, which if not published seems sufficient justification for smaller gifts. It is recommended that the amounts be printed.

6. Your secretary heartily endorses the apportionment plan as suggested by the editor of the *Herald of Gospel Liberty* and others and as inaugurated and executed by the Rhode Island and Massachusetts Conference, and recommends that steps be taken at this convention to inaugurate it and the adoption of plans for its successful execution, provided that by no means the direct connection and communication between the convention secretary and the individual church be not thereby disturbed or limited. Your secretary unhesitatingly puts himself on record against any system or method of raising money for convention purposes by which his right and duty to communicate with the individual church shall be curtailed or in any way interfered with, and gives it as his candid opinion that such a course would prove itself inefficient, and in the end work only ruin to our cause. Let the apportionment be made by a competent committee of the local conference and sent to the convention secretary for communication to the in-

dividual church from which the money should be sent to him direct. Rev. J. J. Sumnerbell, D.D., in his report to the Marion Convention said, "The secretary endeavored to secure reports concerning the contributions through the ordinary conference officers, for the larger part of a year, and then abandoned that attempt because of its failure. Since that time the secretary has been in direct communication with the donors and has secured nearly correct estimates which have been published from time to time."

7. The validity of the incorporation of the convention has been questioned, by what was considered good legal authority. The gravity of the question warranted the president of the convention to authorize an investigation which the secretary undertook and herewith submits the opinion of an attorney at law who made a thorough investigation of the law and records. Your secretary suggests the propriety of referring this matter to a special committee to be appointed at once by the president and that it be made its duty to investigate and report at the earliest possible time during this convention, upon the advisability of re-incorporating, together with suitable constitution for the new corporation, should a re-incorporation be recommended and authorized.

8. The secretary would call attention to the fact that the point of weakness in our general giving is the many unauthorized appeals made through the *Herald* and other sources of communication, the overlapping of calls and a tendency to subordinate the general work to local interests. The latter named is especially strong in its appeal to selfishness and distracts attention from the necessary and authorized objects of our benevolence, so that there can be but little concentration of thought or unity of action, and hence our strength is frittered away and the result distressingly disastrous to our cause. It is recommended that measures be taken at this session of the convention to lessen this evil and secure attention to the authorized call at the time and for the purpose named therein.

9. Your secretary has been notified that the note held against the convention by Rev. N. Del McReynolds, the amount of which is \$200.00, cannot be renewed. Circumstances, which Mr. McReynolds cannot control, necessitate the collection of said amount. Your secretary recommends that the matter be referred to the Committee on Finance with instructions to provide for the raising of the amount at once.

10. We have on our lists the following named conferences with the number of churches and membership as named:

*Arkansas Northwestern*—Whole number of churches, 11; organized since 1894, 10; total membership, 200.

*Bible Union*—Whole number of churches, 8; organized since 1894, 2; total membership, 628.

*Des Moines*—Whole number of churches, 13; organized since 1894, —; total membership, 901.

*Eastern Atlantic*—Whole number of churches, 16; organized since 1891, 3; total membership, 976.

*Erie*—Whole number of churches, 17; organized since 1894, —; total membership, 988.

*Eel River*—Whole number of churches, 39; organized since 1894, —; total membership, 3,740.

*Georgia and Alabama*—Whole number of churches, 22; organized since 1894, 4; total membership, 1,546.

*Indiana Northwestern*—Whole number of churches, 29; organized since 1894, —; total membership, 2,491.

*Indiana Western*—Whole number of churches, 43; organized since 1894, 2; total membership, 4,679.

*Indiana Central*—Whole number of churches, 12; organized since 1894, —; total membership, 1,000.

*Indiana Eastern*—Whole number of churches, 77; organized since 1894, 8; total membership, 6,350.

*Illinois Southern*—Whole number of churches, 13; organized since 1894, 4; total membership, 1,086.

*Illinois Central*—Whole number of churches, 27; organized since 1894, 2; total membership, 2,224.

*Illinois Western*—Whole number of churches, 16; organized since 1894, —; total membership, 700.

*Iowa Southwestern*—Whole number of churches, 24; organized since 1894, 7; total membership, 1,847.

*Iowa Central*—Whole number of churches, 7; organized since 1894, 1; total membership, 776.

*Kentucky First*—Whole number of churches, 40; organized since 1894, 8; total membership, 1,672.

*Kentucky Second*—Whole number of churches, 14; organized since 1894, 2; total membership, 594.

*Kansas Eastern*—Whole number of churches, 9; organized since 1894, 2; total membership, 375.

*Kansas Southern*—Whole number of churches, 10; organized since 1894, 2; total membership, 250.

*Kansas Northern*—Whole number of churches, 14; organized since 1894, —; total membership, 436.

*Miami*—Whole number of churches, 55; organized since 1894, 1; total membership, 6,897.

*Mt. Vernon*—Whole number of churches, 25; organized since 1894, —; total membership, 1,800.

*Miami Reserve*—Whole number of churches, 35; organized since 1894, 4; total membership, 2,629.

*Michigan*—Whole number of churches, 15; organized since 1894, —; total membership, 887.

*Missouri Northern*—Whole number of churches, 15; organized since 1894, 2; total membership, 547.

*Maine*—Whole number of churches, 23; organized since 1894, —; total membership, 1,042.

*Merrimack*—Whole number of churches, 9; organized since 1894, —; total membership, 587.

*Michigan Eastern*—Whole number of churches, 8; organized since 1894, —; total membership, 171.

*North Carolina*—Whole number of churches, 68; organized since 1894, 9; total membership, 4,500.

*New York Western*—Whole number of churches, 9; organized since 1894, —; total membership, 651.

*New Jersey*—Whole number of churches, 22; organized since 1894, 1; total membership, 1,991.

*North Carolina and Virginia*—Whole number of churches, 30; organized since 1894, 3; total membership, 2,910.

*New York Eastern*—Whole number of churches, 48; organized since 1894, —; total membership, 3,674.

*New York Southern*—Whole number of churches, 12; organized since 1894, —; total membership, 366.

*New York Central*—Whole number of churches, 14; organized since 1894, —; total membership, 863.

*New York Northern*—Whole number of churches, 4; organized since 1894, 4; total membership, 202.

*Northern Illinois and Wisconsin*—Whole number of churches, 4; organized since 1894, —; total membership, 225.

*Nebraska*—Whole number of churches, 4; organized since 1894, —; total membership, 188.

*North Carolina Eastern*—Whole number of churches, 40; organized since 1894, 2; total membership, 3,691.

*North Carolina Western*—Whole number of churches, 38; organized since 1894, —; total membership, 2,732.

*Oklahoma*—Whole number of churches, 7; organized since 1894, 7; total membership, 111.

*Ontario*—Whole number of churches, 25; organized since 1894, 1; total membership, 1,089.

*Ohio Northwestern*—Whole number of churches, 48; organized since 1894, 2; total membership, 3,452.

*Ohio Southern*—Whole number of churches, 39; organized since 1894, 1; total membership, 4,633.

*Ohio Central*—Whole number of churches, 33; organized since 1894, 1; total membership, 3,136.

*Ohio Northeastern*—Whole number of churches, 4; organized since 1894, 2; total membership, 85.

*Ohio Eastern*—Whole number of churches, 26; organized since 1894, —; total membership, 2,142.

*Ohio*—Whole number of churches, 31; organized since 1894, 4; total membership, 1,575.

*Osage*—Whole number of churches, 21; organized since 1894, 1; total membership, 926.

*Pennsylvania Southern*—Whole number of churches, 16; organized since 1894, —; total membership, 72.

*Pennsylvania Western*—Whole number of churches, 1; organized since 1894, —; total membership, 40.

*Red River*—Whole number of churches, 12; organized since 1894, —; total membership, 278.

*Rays Hill*—Whole number of churches, 14; organized since 1894, —; total membership, 882.

*Richland Union*—Whole number of churches, 18; organized since 1894, 3; total membership, 565.

*Rhode Island and Massachusetts*—Whole number

of churches, 34; organized since 1894, —; total membership, 3,200.

*Rockingham*—Whole number of churches, 15; organized since 1894, —; total membership, 1,505.

*Southwestern West Virginia*—Whole number of churches, 13; organized since 1894, 6; total membership, 1,000.

*Southern Indiana and Illinois*—Whole number of churches, 15; organized since 1894, 6; total membership, 1,000.

*Southern Wabash, Illinois*—Whole number of churches, 41; organized since 1894, 2; total membership, 3,502.

*Spring River*—Whole number of churches, 3; organized since 1894, —; total membership, 150.

*Tioga River*—Whole number of churches, 16; organized since 1894, —; total membership, 721.

*Union, Iowa*—Whole number of churches, 10; organized since 1894, 1; total membership, 700.

*Virginia Valley*—Whole number of churches, 8; organized since 1894, 4; total membership, 365.

*West Virginia*—Whole number of churches, 7; organized since 1894, 4; total membership, 257.

*Virginia Central*—Whole number of churches, 13; organized since 1894, 3; total membership, 1,150.

*Vermont State*—Whole number of churches, 7; organized since 1894, 1; total membership, 570.

*Virginia Eastern*—Whole number of churches, 32; organized since 1894, 1; total membership, 4,818.

*Western Michigan and Northern Indiana*—Whole number of churches, 8; organized since 1894, 2; total membership, 400.

*Wisconsin Northern*—Whole number of churches, 6; organized since 1894, —; total membership, 104.

*Western Washington*—Whole number of churches, 8; organized since 1894, 7; total membership, 200.

*York and Cumberland*—Whole number of churches, 11; organized since 1894, —; total membership, 952.

Whole number of conferences reported, 72; whole number of churches reported, 1,489; whole number of churches organized since 1894, 142; total membership, 109,667.

Number of ordained ministers reported, 1,223; number of licentiate ministers reported, 226; total, 1,449.

#### COLLECTIONS.

In reporting the collections for the quadrennium, your secretary is embarrassed and yet gratified—embarrassed because the collections have not been more generally taken by our churches and larger in amounts, but gratified that they were as generally taken and as large as they were. Contributions have been received for forty-seven different purposes, ranging in amounts from 10 cents to \$600. There have been many things during the past quadrennium to divide and sectionalize our interests, and cause laxity and neglect in matters of collections, but your secretary believes that the principal reason for the deficiency in giving arises from a lack of previous education in liberality, the indirect way of appealing to the churches, and a failure upon the part of pastors to properly represent the convention calls, and urge upon their people the necessity and advantage of responding, all of which we expect the wisdom of the convention to correct.

Education—1895, \$722.37; 1896, \$1,158.73; 1897, \$893.56; 1898, \$1,018.14; total, \$3,792.80.

Home Missions—1895, \$3,093.05; 1896, \$3,207.90; 1897, \$3,247.62; 1898, \$3,126.93; total, \$12,675.50.

Foreign Missions—1895, \$1,507.47; 1896, \$1,002.17; 1897, \$1,589.18; 1898, \$2,075.50; total, \$6,164.22.

A. C. C.—1895, \$351.63; 1896, \$320.67; 1897, 1,006.56; 1898, \$1,042.35; total, \$3,921.21.

Sunday Schools—1895, \$100.93; 1896, \$68.75; 1897, \$61.56; 1898, \$57.25; total, \$388.49.

C. B. I.—1895, \$42; 1896, \$51.66; 1897, \$51.80; 1898, \$18.12; total, \$163.58.

C. B. I. Repair Fund—1897, \$41.10; total, \$41.10.

Secretary's Office—1898, \$1; total, \$1.

Norfolk, Va.—1895, \$129.89; total, \$129.89.

Aged Ministers' Relief—1895, \$2; 1896, \$109.21; 1897, \$4; 1898, \$4.50; total, \$119.71.

Franklinton—1895, \$154.22; 1896, \$408.06; 1897, \$335.66; 1898, \$284.63; total, \$1,182.57.

Missions—1895, \$7; 1896, \$5; 1897, \$15; 1898, \$35.20; total, \$62.20.

Penrod-True Fund—1898, \$24; total, \$24.  
 Miss Penrod's Salary—1895, \$50; 1896, \$5; 1897, \$9; 1898, \$10.50; total, \$74.50.  
 U. C. College—1895, \$1.15; 1897, \$1.15; total, \$2.30.  
 Bible Women in Japan—1895, \$51; 1896, \$55; total, \$106.  
 Tokio Church, Japan—1897, \$12; 1898, \$24.36; total, \$36.36.  
 Tokio Church Building—1895, \$8.68; 1896, \$44.91; 1897, \$77.27; 1898, \$63; total, \$193.86.  
 Japan Missions—1895, \$2.68; 1897, \$6.50; 1898, \$25; total, \$34.18.  
 Kansas Christian College—1898, \$5; total, \$5.  
 Palmer College (Le Grand)—1895, \$11.89; 1896, \$1; 1897, \$7.50; total, \$23.39.  
 Woman's Board for Foreign Missions—1895, \$7; total, \$7.  
 Nebraska Sufferers—1895, \$35.28; 1896, \$4; total, \$39.28.  
 Building in Tokio, Japan—1895, \$1,289.76; 1896, \$57.36; total, \$1,347.12.  
 Piqua, Ohio—1895, \$34.51; total, \$34.51.  
 Raleigh, N. C.—1895, \$5; 1897, \$3; total, \$13.  
 Bogle Street, Fall River, Mass.—1895, \$6.75; total, \$6.75.  
 Starkey Seminary—1896, \$180.55; 1897, \$66.50; 1898, \$10; total, \$257.05.  
 Lincoln College—1896, \$1; 1897, 50 cents; total, \$1.50.

Deaconess Home, Dayton, Ohio—1898, \$9.10; total, \$9.10.  
 Maple Temple, (colored), Raleigh, N. C.—1896, \$5; 1897, \$10; total, \$15.  
 Additional Missionary—1896, \$10; 1897, \$10; total, \$20.  
 Armenian Relief—1897, \$1; total, \$1.  
 Augusta Church, Maine—1897, \$2; total, \$2.  
 Albany, N. Y.—1897, \$15; total, \$15.  
 Binghamton, N. Y.—1897, \$5; total, \$5.  
 Typewriter Fund—1897, \$60.64; 1898, \$3.50; total, \$64.14.  
 Sufferers in India—1897, \$92.90; total, \$92.90.  
 Mt. Zion, Phil.—1897, \$3; total, \$3.  
 New England Missionary Society—1897, \$50.13; total, \$50.13.  
 Imp. Students Home, C. B. I.—1897, \$115.58; total, \$115.58.  
 Dundee, N. Y.—1897, \$10; total, \$10.  
 Tokio New Church Building—1897, \$18.31; total, \$18.31.  
 Free Tract Fund—1897, 10 cents; total, 10 cents.  
 Howard Mission—1897, \$52.51; 1898, \$132.18; total, \$184.69.  
 Rev. John Byrkit—1897, \$1.70; total, \$1.70.  
 Des Moines, Iowa—1898, \$15.64; total, \$15.64.  
 Grand total, \$31,371.86.  
 All of which is respectfully submitted by your servant,  
 J. F. BURNETT, Sec'y A. C. C.

## Our Sunday-School Papers.

*Mr. President and Brethren of the American Christian Convention:*

I am exceedingly well pleased to have the privilege of addressing you in relation to our Sunday-school papers, the youngest, brightest, and most hopeful of our enterprises; a revenue-yielding department, financially, numerically, morally, and spiritually. Thus hopeful because it has in it the "children forgiven for His name's sake;" the fathers that have known Him from the beginning; the young men because they are strong, and the word (Christ) of God abideth in them.

I congratulate you upon your success; our success, if you please. I have no evil report to bring, or doleful cry to herald along the ranks of earnest, self-sacrificing workers.

The God given mission of our papers is established by the golden fruit yielding and gathering to our Master. While this is true, we are not to rest upon the success already attained, but to advance, go forward. There is much for us if we do unitedly go forward obedient to the commands of our divine Lord. What a lesson we may learn from the business of the world. The rallying cry that now sounds along the successful ways is this:

"Up to Date."—This is the motto crowning the successful teacher in the schoolroom, colleges, halls of legislation, the store, shop, farm, everywhere. It is never inscribed on the half-hearted man or sluggard. It was up-to-date Dewey that in the grey of the morning entered the mined harbor of the proud, boasting enemy, and in less than one-half day either sank or captured the entire naval craft. It was the up-to-date Schley that hunted and bottled up the renowned Spanish commander with his powerful fleet, and when he would escape to some safe refuge the up-to-date commander at his post, glass in hand, and the up-to-date captains on the bridge, with up-to-date men behind their guns, in less than six hours sank or captured every vessel comprising the fleet. And when the brave enemies were sinking in their watery graves, the men that had no time to shout the song of victory took the time to reach down merciful hands and save perishing humanity from the terrible maelstrom of death. Such are the workers in all fields that are crowned with success.

The up-to-date motto is and will continue to be the motto of our Sunday-school papers, and will be until "Our Creed," the open Bible, in the hand of the living teacher, to every man, woman, and child in the United States and the province of Canada.

The *Sunday-School Herald* has by its weekly visits, filled with its bright, intelligent Biblical matter, already superseded many antiquated libraries, half filled with goodie books, said to be good enough for children by some behind-date

fellow. In this paper we need a part of it as a department in character adapted to the needs of the more advanced scholars.

Our *Bible Class Quarterly* should have a concise and intelligent review for each quarter. Lesson text in good, clear type, with proper pronunciation, like the text of present lessons; foot notes, giving instructions, touching the chapters and books between the lessons; filled with words breathing as a living fire the spirit of the Master. Such a quarterly will meet our needs and lead us to a higher plane of action as God's people. Following along the same line in its character comes our *Intermediate Quarterly* to fill the demand.

The *Little Teacher* in value can hardly be estimated, as it comes to us filled with the sincere milk of the Word, unadulterated by dogmatism, with brightest and best lesson stories, profusely illustrated in the highest art, free from a fussy, ginger-bread style. Such a paper will be far better than any lesson card from any publishing house.

With these helps at a reasonable price, we shall be able to meet our every need, and by an earnest cooperation of our pastors, superintendents, and teachers we will find every one of our schools supplied with our own literature as helps. Yea, verily, others will take our helps as the more Biblical and useful.

As the true mother knows the best food for her child, and how it is best prepared for the development of the child, so we should know the best food for our children, and present it to them in the best manner: Our *Helps*, first, for our people and by us, superseded by none, but made to be admired and chosen by the many. As to a Sunday-school commentary, I am not yet able to say that I can point out the one called of God to give us this work. When I shall see this commentator arise in holy fitness, I will heartily welcome him. As to our Sunday-school hymns set to music in the *Quarterly*, I am not fully prepared to speak. If this move would have a tendency to lead us from the use of old, familiar hymns, then I would say, No, brethren. Our Sunday-school papers, as an educational, formative, and reformatory power, demand our very best and united efforts, put forth in saving and building a full, rounded-out manhood.

As is the live coal from the altar in the hand of God's angel to Isaiah's lips, so may God's word and Spirit be to our lips and hearts, until we, individually and collectively, cry out, "Here, Lord, am I; send me." This, dear brethren, is my earnest prayer; and in conclusion, I say, May the blessing of God the Father, his Son Jesus Christ, and the Holy Spirit be with us in this holy work.

E. JONES.

### Report of the Secretary of the Educational Department.

To the American Christian Convention.

EDDYTOWN, NEW YORK, September 1, 1898.

DEAR BRETHREN: Once more it devolves upon me as your secretary for education to submit my report respecting the various institutions of learning which are controlled by the Christians, and are more or less directly affiliated with your honorable body. Of these there are nine—one a theological seminary, another a school for theological instruction conducted by correspondence, and the others schools in the department of arts; some working in the college grade and carrying on a preparatory department, and others confining themselves more exclusively with preparatory studies. These schools employ a total of fifty-nine professors and eleven tutors, have a valuation in lands and buildings of \$192,300, and have beside a solid cash endowment of \$65,187.68, not to mention some \$28,026.07 in notes, which may be called promises to pay of little promise. It may be observed that the schools have received little the last year by way of bequests, but this may be taken as accidental, for we are advised of several cases where friends are making testamentary provision for education, a practice which should receive more general encouragement. Counting up the totals of the reports, we find that nine hundred and forty-seven of the children of the Church are under her tutelage educationally. And a large proportion of these, possibly larger than has become habitual in other denominations, is preparing for the ministry, as seventy-five young persons in 1898 announce such to be their intention. It is also gratifying to observe that many are persevering in the colleges through the entire courses, for the colleges granted the arts and sciences diplomas in 1898 to fifty-five students. In this matter Union Christian College heads the list, having graduated twenty-nine in its last class.

May I pause here a moment to speak a word in behalf of our professors and teachers? They are doing consecrated work in a quiet way, and often at great sacrifice. They are meeting with a portion of their reward in the consciousness that they are sending out a body of young people whose cultivated influence will presently be felt most powerfully in all our affairs. Indiana, in all her borders, realizes the beneficent energies of Union Christian College. Iowa is stronger denominationally because of the advantages offered at LeGrand, while Kansas and Missouri are encouraged by the foundations at Lincoln and Weaubleau. The colored race in the South is more hopeful by help of Franklinton, and it is within bounds to say that the cause of the Christians has advanced in North Carolina and Virginia fully a hundred per cent. since the establishment of Elon College. In New York the name of Starkey is a household word and a name standing for a still larger hope since Brother Palmer, of New York, has manifested so generous a disposition respecting its needs, while the Christian Biblical Institute on the Hudson continues the good work of training the ministry, its alumni now reaching well on toward the second hundred.

Beside his general supervision of the schools, it has been the duty of your secretary for education to make the call for the educational collection and distribute the fund so gathered under direction of the Executive Board. For a long time it has appeared to him that the zeal of the Church was running behind its privilege, and he has consequently been urgent in his entreaties to the churches. Growing out of a suggestion offered by Dr. DeVore, for which that brother has the thanks of the department, attention has been given to the schools in turn, an arrangement which was considerably to the profit of Starkey in a critical time, and which would have assisted Palmer College last year and Kansas Christian College this year had the collections been general to even a small amount. May we not invite the educational committees and the secretaries of the conferences to devote more care to securing a collection for education from every church that is in their respective jurisdictions? A small collection from every church is better for the cause than a large collection from a few strong churches, both as to the aggregate amount and as to the stimulus to denominational affection. Your secretary would recommend the continuance of the plan to make special effort for special institutions, each in turn, with hope that presently these may be attended with more substantial results.

During the year your secretary was addressed by Brother Thomas Addington, of Indiana, who submitted a proposition looking toward the acquirement of another college in Indiana on favorable terms. Correspondence was opened at once with prominent brethren in that region and inquiries were put as to the advisability of the project, the likelihood of a clientele sufficient for the maintenance of such an institution, and especially as to whether the opening of another college in Indiana, even though on the far side of the State from Union Christian College, would work unfavorably to that institution. The larger number of the replies was to the effect that students and money could be had, were the project inaugurated under the right auspices. As the Convention was so near assembling, it appeared to your secretary that your honorable body should determine what course was best to pursue and accordingly the papers in the case are herewith presented to accompany this report.

Your secretary has observed with interest the action of the various conferences in reference to the education of the ministry, and the plans for repairing the deficiencies of their culture, where such exist. The Correspondence College was established to meet this want,

but for various reasons, enumerated in the report of its president, which will be presented to you, it has succeeded in its mission to only a limited degree. Apparently the conferences in these affairs should cooperate with the plans of the Convention, or else the Convention should refer the entire business to the conferences themselves. Your secretary would therefore recommend that the Convention take this subject into careful consideration and decide how far to undertake this duty, and how far to place it upon the conferences. Possibly courses of study should be devised, on which the students should pass examinations before their conference committees. Such courses ought not to be severe at the outset, and so exclude worthy men from the pulpit; but they should be sufficiently exacting and so enforced as to bring it about that the men who teach the people will be apt to teach, capable of gaining and holding the respect of the communities in which they labor. Other churches are enforcing rigid educational tests. Your secretary does not ask for such, but simply for moderate requirements, gauged according to the conditions of the ministry and the Church. A painful matter has been recently called to the attention of the department, namely, that several brethren who enlisted some years back in a prominent educational enterprise with the welfare of the whole Church at heart, and with no possibility of personal advantage, have by a series of legal complications been subjected to serious pecuniary loss. This is not the time or the place to discuss the merits of the affair, and still consideration should be given to the question of how far these brethren should be made personally responsible for claims rising from their relation as uncompensated servants of the Church. The department has no papers in this matter, but information respecting it can be readily secured from brethren on the floor of the Convention.

Our general educational system, while in the main so hopeful and satisfactory, shows weakness at three points, to which the department has time and again invited scrutiny. To recall these now may seem to savor of tedious reiteration, but since your secretary believes that his long-continued services in the department justify his expectation that he may now be relieved from further duty in this position, he may be pardoned for this parting word.

For the first, there seems need of a closer sympathy between the schools and the educational department, such as can be secured only by personal visitation and consultation with the various presidents and their faculties. Your secretary has been enabled to make such visitation at various times to Stanfordville, to Union Christian College, to Elon College, and to Starkey Seminary, but has never been able to inspect Franklinton, Weanbleau, Palmer College, or Kansas College. He hopes that a fund may be created by help of which his successors may find it possible to visit and inspect every one of our schools at least twice during each quadrennium.

The Christian Biblical Institute, at Stanfordville, is doing well as at present organized, but to enable it to compare with similar schools in denominations that are smaller than ours, it should have at once enlargement of the resident teaching force. It has made an excellent beginning in this respect since the last educational report in which this point was mentioned, for it has added Professor Tillinghast in the chair of Biblical History and Missions. The fact still remains that there are important branches taught in other schools for which there is no adequate provision in the seminary. It is important that we do not rest content with what is, because it is; but rather that we should press forward to provide our coming ministry with training which will enable the young brethren to come into competition with others without fear of unfavorable comparisons.

Still again, there is urgent need of a fund for the aid of young persons contemplating the work of the ministry. This subject was laid before you at New Bedford, at Marion, and again at Haverhill, but as yet there is not a dollar at the disposition of the department for this purpose. Other denominations are willing to educate our young men theologically, and provide them with rooms, and lights, and books, and board; and sometimes they go so far as to add a cash consideration, doing this, of course, in some delicate way. Repeatedly brethren who should be now in our pulpits have been so invited, and have been little by little drawn away into other sympathies and other folds. No fault can be found with them for this, for the fault, if any, lies with ourselves, who owe it to ourselves to be wide awake and intent on sowing our own seed and reaping our own educational harvest. May not this Convention become memorable in the Church by reason of grappling boldly with this problem, and providing help for the ministerial student, who must struggle to keep at his studies, and arrange that he do not struggle to the point of utter discouragement?

Your secretary is happy in bringing this report to a close to give you assurance of so promising an outlook for our schools of every grade. Gradually they are creating a strong force of loyal alumni. The passing years bring their contributions of experience and broader resources. The tap roots of the tree strike a lower level and drain a wider area. The Church is realizing a profound conviction of the necessity of culture, and the people require no more than to have the needs of the schools brought home to them to respond most heartily. May the Convention then plan wisely and with great courage, expecting that the Lord of light and knowledge will bless the effort for the promotion of knowledge in his kingdom.

MARTYN SUMMERBELL, *Secretary for Education, A. C. C.*

INSTITUTION.	Professors Employed.	Tutors.	Valuation of Lands and Buildings.	Endowment Notes.	Interest to July 1.	Donations to July 1.	Requests to July 1.	Annual Expense of Maintenance.	No. Regular Students.	Special Students.	No. in Department.	No. Studying for the Ministry.	Total Students.	Graduated in 1898.
Christian Biblical Institute.....	6	1	\$27,000 00	\$800 00	\$2,961 30	\$2,556 76	.....	\$5,500 00	17	3	9	18	20	2
Union Christian College.....	9	4	50,000 00	25,000 00	2,800 00	650 00	.....	7,200 00	80	29	116	22	225	42
Elon College.....	10	1	40,000 00	1,000 00	30 00	2,500 00	.....	5,500 00	75	10	38	13	87	7
Palmer College.....	7	1	20,000 00	1,750 00	100 00	300 00	\$35 00	2,200 00	70	18	12	9	88	11
Kansas Christian College.....	9	.....	15,000 00	500 00	32 00	89 08	.....	2,000 00	15	5	115	4	135	4
Weaubleau Christian College.....	3	1	7,000 00	1,000 00	80 00	43 50	.....	1,200 00	43	.....	50	4	43	4
Franklinton Christian College.....	2	3	7,000 00	2,800 00	225 10	733 06	.....	1,800 00	161	.....	97	3	161	.....
Christian Correspondence College.....	5	.....	.....	.....	.....	58 00	.....	82 15	2	.....	.....	2	2	.....
Starkey Seminary.....	8	.....	26,300 00	63 50	.....	2,524 27	.....	6,563 41	79	.....	59	.....	138	4
	39	11	\$192,300	\$65,157 68	\$6,228 40	\$9,454 67	\$35 00	\$32,015 56	512	65	496	75	947	61

Name.	President.	Postoffice Address.
Christian Biblical Institute.....	Rev. J. B. Weston, D.D. ....	Staunfordville, New York
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Palmer College.....	Rev. D. M. Helfinstine, A.M. ....	LeGrand, Iowa.
Kansas Christian College.....	Rev. O. B. Whitaker, Pd.D. ....	Lincoln, Kansas.
Weaubleau Christian College.....	Rev. John Whitaker, D.D. ....	Weaubleau, Missouri.
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## Quadrennial Mission Report.

October 1894 to October 1898.

By J. G. BISHOP, MISSION SECRETARY.

To the Members of the American Christian Convention:

DEAR BRETHREN AND SISTERS: AS Secretary of the Missionary and Church Extension Department, I hail you to-day here in Newmarket, Ontario, in the bonds of that religion that is bounded by no geographical lines, and that knows no national distinctions. Whether from the United States or from the Dominion of Queen Victoria, we are actuated, I trust, by the one all-absorbing desire to know what the will of the Lord is concerning us in relation to the extension of his kingdom in the world; and knowing his will, to do it.

What is the diameter of this globe compared to the love and the stoop of Christ, who came from heaven to live and die upon it! Such love and such sacrifice cannot be localized or nationalized in its significance or benefits. He gave himself for all mankind, "tasted death for every man." One part of the earth is just as near to his hand and his heart as any other part. Taking our stand by the cross, we should look out over the world and enlarge our narrow, selfish horizons.

He who does not believe in world-evangelization — in foreign missions — has very narrow conceptions of the all-Father's love, and of the gospel of Christ. How such do need the refreshing air, the bright, full sunshine, and the quickening impulse of this broader outlook with God from his throne in heaven and with Jesus from his cross on Calvary!

The perfection of the gospel is seen in its adaptation to all people, of all countries, at all times, and under all circumstances. The treasure of this gospel is committed to "earthen vessels." Those who have it are under obligations to those who have it not. This is the supreme mission of the church to-day. □

The work of this convention, in whatever line it may be, will be profitable only as it has a bearing on this first and all-embracing question, the extension of Christ's kingdom in the world. I wish that this thought might, at this early hour, be photographed by the Holy Spirit upon the mind and heart of each member of this convention. The truths of the Scriptures have been opened up and their light made to shine on this subject more brightly than one hundred years ago, than fifty years, than twenty-five years, yes, than ten years ago. This is a wonderful age in which we live! For light, for opportunities, for responsibilities, was it ever equaled?

By scientific discovery and appliances the world is almost daily being made smaller. The nations of the earth are brought closer to us; so the gospel-destitute, not only of our own land, but of other lands, are laid at our very gates, full of the sores that sin has made, with uplifted hands pleading for healing ointment and for the bread of Life. Let us hasten to give it to them.

Let some of the best thought of our wisest men and women present be given to devising ways and means whereby the missionary work of the church may be enlarged; for, think of it as we may, the work we do for missions is the highest expression of our Christian and denominational life.

As to the different fields of missionary work, home and foreign, their people and their needs, they will be quite fully brought before the convention in the papers and addresses that are to follow later in the session.

In addition to and beyond the few small spots that we are working, how vast and wide are the fields that open for missionary labor, and how white they are to the harvest! Was there ever a time in the providence of God in connection with missions that was so marvelous as is to-day? The records of the past year, even the past months, how marvelous! The opening of the West India Islands and the Philippines; the penetrating almost the heart of Africa by a railroad; the opening of the gates of Tibet, and the recent more pronounced favor of China's Emperor toward the Christian religion, and the opening of her last province to the missionaries of the cross—how marvelous!

As to China, we have a word from Professor Woodworth in his annual report to the Mission Board. I wish here to call attention to

### THE PRIME OR CENTRAL IDEA IN MISSION WORK.

Our entire people as well as our Mission Board and missionaries ought to have and maintain a correct ideal of missions; that the prime and ultimate object of the missionary is to *plant* Christianity; is to establish self-supporting, self-governing, self-propagating churches; and that our missionary policy should be shaped to this end. Great importance, first importance, should be given, therefore, to evangelization. Personal contact of the living preacher with those who are perishing, a wise and earnest effort to win their acceptance of the gospel message, should be first in all missionary operations, as Christ put it first in the Great Commission: "Make disciples of all nations." All other forms of missionary activity, educational work, medical work, industrial work, are subsidiary to this one supreme purpose, and possess a value in proportion as they promote evangelization or tend to conserve or extend its results.

The seed sown, Christianity planted, the work of sustaining and extending it must be relegated to the people themselves, who are blessed and saved by this gospel. The converts and churches should be taught and trained from the start with the expectation of assuming the responsibility. Mission boards cannot be expected to perpetually sustain native churches, whether native American or Japanese. Their mission is to pioneer, to evangelize, to plant and train the native Christians to govern and support themselves, and to do this just as soon as possible, and then go on carrying the same gospel with its unspeakable blessings to others.

We find, and other boards find, that there is a tendency on the part of mission churches and pastors, not only in Japan but in America as well, to cling to and claim mission support just as long as possible—they that receive the most, clinging with the greatest tenacity.

There should be no encouragement to a nerveless, indolent dependence of the native upon the missionary and the supply furnished by the Mission Board.

Am I told that while this may sound well enough in theory, its practical application is not so easy? I am aware of this, having certainly found it out during the past eight years. It is a problem that constantly confronts our missionaries on the field. And yet I would emphasize the fact that our Mission Board should shape its policy and expect its missionaries to bring their churches to a self-supporting basis just as soon as possible. This not only for the relief of the board that it may render help elsewhere, but for the good of the native pastors and churches themselves. It will have a tendency to break up and cure that chronic debility which always results from a servile dependence.

As I have touched upon missionary policy, I will say a word here as to

### THE VERNACULAR.

It is time that the board emphasizes more strongly the importance of its missionaries acquiring the vernacular of the people for whom they labor. The vital importance of this is too obvious to require argument. For any lack in this direction, on the part of our missionaries thus far, they are scarcely to blame. The first year of the missionary, at least, ought to be given almost exclusively to the study of the language under the directions of an older missionary on the field. But with ours, except it be in the case of the last ones who have gone out, this has been impossible. The work was new. They have had to assume the responsibilities of management, and of teaching and training native workers as best they could, some from the very first, and others almost from their landing in the country. But from now on more attention should be given to this thought. The board should labor to make the conditions as favorable as possible, and then require the missionaries to give themselves the first year almost exclusively, and the second year very largely, to the study of the language.

## LIGHTS AND SHADOWS.

In our mission work we have reason to be greatly encouraged, especially when we consider the history of our church on this question down to within the last twelve or fifteen years, then note the progress made to the present time. Not only in the work accomplished in both the home and foreign fields, but in the increase of the reserve force—the interest in the home churches. Of this there has been a very perceptible increase during the last quadrennium. There are quite a number more of our ministers interested and helping in the work than there were four years ago. More of our conferences give time and place to the subject of missions on their own programs. The business of the mission office has increased by at least one-half during the last quadrennium. More mission literature is being asked for and read by our people than ever before. The *Christian Missionary* has grown up during this period, of which an aggregate of 74,200 copies have found their way into the homes of our people. A missionary professorship, or at least a part of such a professorship, has been established in the Christian Biblical Institute, Stanfordsville, N. Y. The "History of Missions" has found its way into the curriculum of Palmer College, LeGrand, Iowa; a missionary department has been opened, and is ably conducted, in the *Christian Sun*, the organ of our brethren South. The *Christian Vanguard*, our Canadian periodical, has largely increased the space it ably devotes to missions. This extra seed-sowing by song, prayer, essay, address, sermon, literature, and teaching, will yet bear fruit in increased missionary interest, contributions, and work.

But our missionary picture, I mean now of our home churches, still has its shadows; indeed, in some places it is very dark. For it is a lamentable fact that many of our ministers yet have little or no interest at all in the subject and work of missions. Having no interest themselves, they impart none. The complaint comes to the Mission Secretary often, "We know almost nothing about missions; our pastor never preaches on the subject, never asks us for missionary collections." Just a few days ago, from a well-to-do church in one of our large conferences, came the word: "Our pastor never preaches or gives us any information on the subject of missions; he has never shown us the *Christian Missionary*, or asked us to subscribe for it."

Then, on the other hand, there are mission-interested pastors who find churches that have been so long without missionary instruction, or have been so wrongly instructed, that their pastor finds great difficulty in bringing them up to the proper standard. I heard of one of our pastors who became so discouraged on this point that he resigned and gave up the charge. I have not heard whether the church is dead yet or not. I think more churches have died from anti-mission, do-nothing-ism than from all other causes combined.

Then again, there are many who have some light, some interest, who do something—but, oh, so little!

Another difficulty we find is the fact that there are a few brethren who have been honored with high positions in the denomination, who not only do not help, but who have used their influence against missions, especially against foreign missions. So that we yet have to "wrestle against principalities and against powers."

## ENLARGEMENT.

How to increase our missionary interests and enlarge our missionary work, is more easily asked than answered. That, as a denomination, we are scarcely doing a tittle of what we are able to do, and hence ought to do, no intelligent person will deny. But how and when are we going to do the larger work? I would venture a few suggestions.

Some of the plans adopted perhaps cannot be improved. The plan by which the Christian Endeavor societies of New England are raising funds for the support of one, now two, missionaries in Japan is excellent, and shows what can be done by organized, systematic, persevering work.

The plan of the Woman's Boards of organizing and

working Woman's Conference Boards and Church Missionary Societies is in harmony with the old and successfully tried plan in other denominations, and perhaps cannot be improved upon. The greatest need here, doubtless, is a faithful, persistent working of the plan. Here our sisters, as well as the rest of us, often meet an indifference, sometimes an opposition, that is hard to overcome. But faith, prayer, and pains, will yet accomplish wonders.

But does it not seem evident that if we are to make any considerable enlargements, some of our plans must be revised, supplemented, or enlarged?

*The Collections.*—The two annual collections at stated times have certainly been quite thoroughly tried. I do not advise abandoning them. In spite of all the effort yet made by the Convention Secretary and the Mission Secretary, Children's Day remains simply *children's day*, and the contributions are simply children's contributions; if other people contribute, they almost always contribute as children. I advise continuing it, simply as Children's Day—for the Sunday-schools; and in addition, let the convention call upon all the churches for an annual collection for home missions, say in the month of December, changing the educational collection to September. Inasmuch as the schools mostly open in September, and our special attention is then called to education by both the educational and secular press, that month would seem to be an appropriate time for the educational collection.

I advise changing the foreign mission collection from September to Easter Sunday. The day celebrating the resurrection of Christ for the "justification of the world," would seem a very appropriate day on which to take contributions to extend Christ's kingdom in the world.

The taking of these collections—all collections ordered by the convention—should be made obligatory upon all pastors of Christian churches, as a condition of ministerial standing.

But one foreign mission collection, as faithfully as we may succeed in getting it worked, may not be expected for some time yet to be in any sense adequate to the demands, hence it must be supplemented. This is being done by the Woman's Foreign Mission Board. We have received from the treasury of this board for the past few years a sum nearly equal to the receipts from the general collection. As the women succeed in enlarging and working their organizations, the amount through their treasury will increase.

*The Christian Endeavor Societies.*—From the Christian Endeavor societies we have received during the quadrennium an amount fully equal to two-thirds of that received from the Woman's Board or the collection. The most of this is from the societies in New England. If the societies in the other parts of our Zion were worked in these interests as they are in New England, fully one thousand dollars more would be raised than is now received. At least one or two more missionaries could be sent and supported by our Endeavorers. I urge, and ask the convention in some way to emphasize the duty of our national and state Christian Endeavor Secretaries to take steps to accomplish this work. To do so will prove a blessing to the societies themselves, as well as to the cause of missions.

Another fruitful field for foreign mission interest and help, that as yet has been scarcely touched, is our Sunday schools.

*Sunday Schools.*—Once a year, at Children's Day, the subject of home missions is brought before our children—some of them—and their contributions taken. This is well, but it is not enough—not enough for the children or the cause. They are taught almost nothing as to the larger and purely benevolent idea of praying and giving for those in heathen lands. If "just as the twig is bent the tree is inclined," how important that the minds and hearts of our children be bent missionward, if the future church is to be a missionary church—and if it is not a missionary church, it will soon cease to be a church.

If in our reported 1,250 Sunday-schools there is an average of sixty members, which I should think a low estimate, this would give us a Sunday-school membership of seventy-five thousand. An average of one cent per month for foreign missions would



give us \$3,000. Instead of this, so far as I know, and I think I know, we are not receiving fifty dollars from our Sunday schools for foreign missions.

The convention should certainly take some action to remedy this defect and improve, in the interests of missions, this sadly neglected field.

**Personal Contributions.**—Another means of enlargement which I would emphasize, and which I wish in some way the convention might emphasize, is by way of more and larger personal contributions. The sums contributed through the general missionary collections are usually small—seldom more than one dollar. Too many, even Christians with means, seem to think that with these paltry sums they have discharged their obligations to the cause. Pastors should urge upon their people the duty and privilege of making personal contributions to the mission cause, as they may be able or as the needs from time to time may be presented, in sums ranging from one dollar to one hundred dollars, or even in larger sums, as some are abundantly able.

**Personal or In Groups.**—Another plan for enlargement which some other missionary boards are now working with seemingly good success, is for individuals or individual societies, individual churches or groups of churches, to undertake the support of a missionary; the missionary, of course, to be appointed by the board, and the funds to go through the treasury of the board. It should be understood always that such special work undertaken should be in excess of their regular contributions through the general missionary collections, else the general work might be seriously crippled instead of helped.

**Bequests.**—We ought to have a much larger income than we have from legacies—but \$2,196.19 (from the estate of Geo. Barklow, Franklin, Ohio) has been received during the quadrennium. We had expected to have received before this a bequest of \$2,000 from the estate of the late Thomas Carpenter, of Chesterfield, Va. This case is now pending in court. We are expecting a decision, which we hope will be favorable, the middle of this month. One hundred dollars was recently left by will for foreign missions by Ephraim R. Tripp, Marion, N. Y., to be paid on the death of the widow. Beyond these I do not know of any outstanding bequests for our missionary work.

From ten to thirty per cent. of the receipts of some of the older missionary boards are from this source. We ought to be receiving very much more from bequests than we are, and I now earnestly urge, and ask the convention, by resolution or in some suitable way, to urge upon ministers and other friends of missions, to look out and, in a wise and Christian way, counsel friends who are making or should make their wills, to remember this, one of the very best of all causes, the cause of missions.

**America.**

During the quadrennium, mission aid has been rendered in the home field, in larger or smaller amounts, to the following points: Bangor and Mount Agamonticus, Maine; Laconia and Manchester, N. H.; Bogle Street, Fall River, and Spruce Street, New Bedford, Mass.; Newark, Binghamton, Barkersville, Ravenna, and Harford Mills, N. Y.; Fairview, N. J.; Suffolk (colored) and Newport News (colored), Va.; Franklinton College (colored), Durham (colored), Greensboro (colored), and Raleigh (colored), N. C.; Erie, Penn.; Langsville, Manchester, Springfield, Piqua, Dayton, and Columbus, Ohio; Portland, Muncie, Kokomo, and Lebanon, Ind.; Newton, Danville, Lewistown, and Wabash, Ill.; Marshall, Lexington, and Adams, Mich.; Des Moines, Lake City, and Dakota City, Iowa; Hutchinson and Lincoln, Kan.; Wayland, Neb.; Howard's Missions, Colorado; and to help support evangelistic work in Iowa, New England, Washington, Kansas, Indian Territory, Oklahoma, Arkansas, and Texas.

The average number of points helped each year is about twenty. Some are dropped from the list each year, having become self-supporting, etc., some are carried over, and other new ones taken on. The amount of support given is governed by the size and supposed importance of the place, its needs and prospects, and the amount of funds available to appropriate.

The new city missions taken on during the quadrennium are Columbus, Ohio, Des Moines, Iowa, both State capitals; Danville, Ill., and Lebanon, Ind., the last a small city, as called in the West. For further mention of these see special reports.

*Statistical Report of Home Missions.*

The statistical report of our workers in the home field for the four years is as follows:

Year.	Sermons Preached.	Meetings.	Number Calls Made.	Number Conversions.	Members Received.	Chs. Organized, S. S. Organized.	Subscribers Secured.	Quadrangular Collection Taken.
1895	2,671	4,338	6,854	739	860	9 17	159	\$566.54
1896	2,977	4,189	5,799	155	328	9 17	190	290.56
1897	2,402	3,953	5,467	377	378	7 19	149	375.55
1898	3,153	4,541	6,214	531	649	7 12	202	426.51
Quad.	11,203	17,012	24,334	2,122	2,605	32 65	700	\$1,119.46

**Japan.**

I ask of the members of this convention a careful reading of the extended report of Professor Woodworth, the General Superintendent of our work in Japan, as well as the quadrennial reports of Brother and Sister Fry. From some cause the reports of Sisters Peopod and True have not yet reached the Mission Office.

**Missionaries' Reports.**—In addition to these reports, I need add but little here. Our workers, native and foreign, are reaching with the gospel twenty-five cities and villages, containing an aggregate of 2,700,000 people. In Tokio, Sendai, and some other points, there are other missionaries working, but in some of these cities and villages the people know nothing of the gospel except what they receive through our own workers, while much of the empire is yet in heathen darkness, without any gospel light at all. By enlarged contributions we ought to make it possible to speedily enlarge our Japan work.

**Tokio Church.**—Seventeen hundred dollars have been collected toward a much-needed church house in Tokio. Since last January the Mission Secretary has neither mentioned, publicly, nor made an appeal on the subject, believing, from information received, that it were better not to build until the new treaty comes into effect—in July, 1899. After that date land may be secured for such purposes and held either by title absolute or by lease for unlimited time. The question of holding property in Japan has been an unsatisfactory question from the start. Hence we thought best to wait. When this matter is adjusted, which we expect will be next July, and an appeal is made, then our people should respond at once with a sufficient additional amount to put up the building. For this building the Tokio congregation has for some time been collecting and laying by something.

**Miss True Sent.**—As is already well known, our special appeal last January for funds to send Miss True was promptly and generously responded to, and she was sent, reaching Japan May 2; and, as you will see from Professor Woodworth's report, went immediately to work.

**Some New Field.**—Has not the time come when we should consider the question of undertaking missionary work in one or more new fields? Do we not owe it to people in other countries that we give or help to give them the gospel? Do we not owe it to our home churches that we give them the stimulus, inspiration, and enthusiasm to a larger effort by giving them a larger work to do?

**Hawaii.**—As is now well known, the wife of Rev. Woodworth does not seem able to stand the climate of Japan. The board could hardly ask him to remain absent from his family a great while longer. If he were transferred to Hawaii, the climate of which is said to be very healthful, possibly his family could join him; and his knowledge of the

Japanese language could be used in working amongst the 25,000 Japanese in Honolulu and adjacent country.

*Cuba.*—The minds of many are now turned towards Cuba as a field for missionary work, which, though a "foreign" country, lies at our very door. A good, strong brother, who graduated from Palmer College last June, has felt called to foreign missionary work. Looking toward Cuba as a field, as I understand, he connected himself with the army. This brother might soon be available for Cuba, or Porto Rico, and I think the churches of Iowa would undertake his support.

*Armenia.*—For the past few years, and until the excitement of the recent war with Spain, the Armenians, in their distress and needs, were much in the minds of the American people. While they are styled a Christian people, their religion is mostly a hereditary form, and void of spirituality and life. As the Greeks in Russia, the Catholics in Cuba and the Philippines, they need the true gospel almost as much as the pagans themselves. An Armenian brother, M. G. Alexanian, whose writings you have seen the past few months in the *Herald* and *Christian Missionary*, recently became acquainted with us as a people. He adopts and loves our principles and is desirous to carry with them the gospel of the Lord Jesus to his own people in the Island of Cyprus, where he could have access to the Mohammedans also, as he could not in Turkey. He has been in this country six or seven years. He seems to be a consecrated Christian man, with a good education, understanding, not only his own, the Armenian, but the Turkish, the English, and also the French languages. With all this, he is a man of good address and a good speaker.

Will the convention recommend the board to embrace any of these opportunities; to take up new work along any of these lines—or any other line?

#### GENERAL STATISTICS OF THE JAPAN WORK, JULY 1, 1898.

Missionaries: Rev. A. D. Woodworth, Rev. C. Tena Penrol, and Miss Alice True, in the Tokio field; Rev. E. C. Fry and Rev. Susie V. Fry in the Sendai field.

Whole number missionaries .....	5
Stations in the two fields .....	7
Out-stations .....	18
Organized churches .....	5
Partly self-supporting .....	5
Day schools .....	1
Pupils .....	40
Night schools .....	1
Pupils .....	17
Students for the ministry .....	5
Ordained native preachers .....	4
Unordained native preachers .....	5
Bible women .....	3
Total native helpers .....	12
Money contributed .....	\$62 25

A net gain, the past year, of 1 unmarried female missionary (Miss True), 3 out-stations, 1 Sunday school, 1 native unordained preacher, and net gain of 17 in church membership.

#### Children's Day Programs.

By the direction of the Mission Board, the Mission Secretary has prepared, compiled, and published annually a service or program for Children's Day—7,000 in 1895, 10,000 in 1896, 9,000 in 1897, and 7,250 in 1898. Three thousand of these were furnished for two years consecutively to another denomination; the balance were taken by our own people. After paying the expenses of publication, furnishing to the Christian Publishing Association 1,500 each year to be sent out free as samples, and paying them a good commission for handling them, the Mission Board has realized a profit during the last four years of \$289.66, which was credited to Home Missions. This service is in no sense a private or personal enterprise, as most of the Children's Day programs that are on the market are; of ours, every cent of the profits goes to missions.

In addition, for Children's Day we have annually published our appeals in the *Christian Missionary*

and in the *Herald*, and have prepared and sent out from the mission office every year from 6,000 to 7,000 collecting cards, with circular letters to pastors and Sunday-school superintendents, and offered and furnished special certificates to children as a recognition for service in collecting, thus sparing no labor, but doing what we could to supplement the call of the Convention Secretary in making Children's Day a success.

#### Missionary Tracts and Leaflets.

We have sent out during the quadrennium 3,867 missionary mite boxes and 14,413 missionary tracts and leaflets. Perhaps in no other way can so much missionary information be furnished for the outlay as by the distribution of missionary tracts and leaflets; yet this department requires a great deal of painstaking care and work. The tract department is important and should be fostered. It would be well if it could be under the management of some sister. It could be done anywhere, but would be better if connected with the mission office, as it is natural for persons to write to the mission office, as they are constantly doing, for missionary information and help.

#### The Christian Missionary.]

Which was commenced at the beginning of the quadrennium, has been published and mailed to its subscribers regularly every month during the four years. As to the character, quality, and make-up of the magazine, it speaks for itself. Its editing, publishing, mailing, working up its subscription list—everything connected with its publication except printing—has been done from the mission office. We gratefully recognize the help of matter so kindly furnished by Brother Canada and Sister Jackson, associate editors, and from other correspondents, not leaving out our "better half," of course, and other efficient office help which the increased amount of office work has made it necessary to have a part of the time for the past two years or more, and which has been secured largely at the Mission Secretary's own expense.

We do not claim that the *Christian Missionary* is the largest or best mission magazine published; but we do claim that it is good, and one of the best for the price, and the best for our own people.

We are glad to be able to report also that, with the exception of \$50, appropriated by the Mission Board for the first issue, the magazine has paid its own expenses and \$50 last year and \$75 this year appropriated for office help—but which ought to have been used for improving and circulating the paper itself.

The missionary papers and magazines are generally regarded of such importance in creating and maintaining missionary interest that most denominations make appropriations, some large appropriations, for their publication and circulation. Some provision should be made for ours as well. We feel sure that its usefulness to the cause can be doubted by no person who is informed on the subject.

The following financial statement will show the steady growth of the magazine:

#### Receipts.

ITEMS.	1895	1896	1897	1898
Appropriation .....	\$50 00	...	...	...
Subscription .....	280 92	\$353 23	\$497 27	\$627 67
Advertisements .....	...	...	...	17 00
Total .....	\$330 92	\$353 23	\$497 27	\$644 67

#### Expenditures.

ITEMS.	1895	1896	1897	1898
Printing .....	\$283 25	\$318 50	\$364 40	\$416 70
Postage .....	12 50	12 43	17 29	22 32
Cuts .....	1 57	12 24	13 70	13 50
Premium Books .....	...	...	9 90	15 00
Sundries .....	4 49	5 83	8 20	4 85
Office help .....	24 10	16 00	...	125 00
Total .....	\$325 91	\$365 00	\$413 40	\$597 37

FINANCIAL.

I am glad to be able to report that our total mission receipts last year were \$4,371.72 more than in any previous year in our history, and that we have a gain this quadrennium over the last of \$6,445.63. Considering the hard times through which the country has just passed, and the peculiar pressure that has been on the denomination the past year, this is very encouraging.

Receipts.

ACCOUNTS.	1895	1896	1897	1898	Total 4 Years	From 1890 to 1894
Home Missions.....	\$3,981 78	\$4,324 25	\$1,218 36	\$7,957 80	\$20,472 19	\$317,285 38
Foreign Missions.....	4,503 84	4,619 05	4,375 12	4,770 30	17,670 91	18,461 30
Franklin.....	65 63	114 27	10 50	40 21	230 71	.....
Tokio Building Fund.....	85 51	51 91	372 09	533 18	1,045 79	.....
Literature.....	25 40	12 30	40 17	22 64	100 51	.....
Mission Home, Tokio.....	1,288 76	57 36	.....	.....	1,346 12	.....
Piqua (Ohio) Church.....	75 00	93 50	19 38	.....	187 88	.....
Photos of Missionaries.....	7 10	65	.....	.....	7 65	.....
New England Missionary Society.....	.....	.....	50 13	.....	50 13	.....
True Fund.....	.....	.....	.....	1,075 51	1,075 51	.....
Cuba Mission.....	.....	.....	.....	5 00	5 00	.....
Total.....	\$10,033 02	\$8,676 29	\$9,095 75	\$14,401 74	\$42,192 40	\$35,746 77

<sup>1</sup> This includes the Barkelow legacy of \$3,406.19. This leaves the general receipts for Home Missions \$4,551.61.

<sup>2</sup> The total receipts for this quadrennium were thrown into the two accounts.

Expenditures.

ACCOUNTS.	1895	1896	1897	1898	Four Years	Balances.
Home Missions.....	\$4,614 99	\$4,439 08	\$4,834 00	\$8,312 04	\$22,200 41	Cr. \$822 08
Foreign Missions.....	4,067 52	4,393 08	4,805 95	4,960 73	18,227 28	Cr. 1,011 82
Franklin.....	72 63	107 02	16 75	41 31	237 71	.....
Tokio Building Fund.....	.....	.....	6 50	5 56	12 06	Cr. 1,033 63
Literature.....	36 75	6 28	20 59	28 42	92 04	Cr. 10 19
Mission Home, Tokio.....	1,296 76	49 36	.....	.....	1,346 12	.....
Piqua (Ohio) Church.....	17 50	16 75	140 07	13 56	187 88	.....
Photos of Missionaries.....	5 50	4 12	.....	.....	9 62	.....
New England Missionary Society.....	.....	.....	50 13	.....	50 13	.....
True Fund.....	.....	.....	.....	531 78	531 78	Cr. 543 73
Cuba Mission.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	Cr. 5 00
Carpenter Legacy.....	.....	.....	.....	35 00	35 00	Dr. 35 00
Expenses.....	.....	95 19	192 66	275 85	563 70	Dr. 275 85
Felicity Farm.....	.....	.....	.....	259 86	259 86	Dr. 259 86
Totals.....	\$10,111 65	\$9,110 88	\$10,066 65	\$14,446 11	\$43,753 29	Cr. \$2,855 74

<sup>1</sup> Not counting the Barkelow legacy of \$3,106.19, it would be \$4,905.55.

ENDOWMENT.

The endowment or permanent funds are as follows:

	Par Value.	Valued at
Five shares in First National Bank, Plymouth, Pa., valued at \$150 per share.....	\$500	\$750
Five shares National Fire Insurance Co., valued at \$175 per share.....	500	875
Nine shares Etna Insurance Co., valued at \$250.....	900	2,250
Nine shares Orient Insurance Co., valued at \$75.....	675	675
Given by Mrs. Veasy.....	300	300
Given by Roxanna Abbott.....	400	400
Given by Mrs. Mary A. Buckley.....	1,000	1,000
Given by Mrs. A. A. H. Shaw.....	500	500
Given by Rev. D. F. Jones.....	100	100
Given by Mrs. O. E. Brown (note).....	50	50
Total.....	\$4,925	\$6,900

<sup>1</sup> Given by Rev. and Mrs. J. G. Wilson, Philadelphia.

NOTE.—The shares in the Fire, Etna, and Orient Insurance companies are taxed at 1½ per cent. on their value as given above. The National Fire Insurance Company pays dividends of 12 per cent.,

the Etna 10 per cent., and the Orient 5 per cent. on their par value.

The \$300 by Mrs. Veasy and the \$400 by Mrs. Abbott is invested in a mortgage in Columbus, Ohio, and pays 8 per cent. interest. The \$1,000 by Mrs. Buckley and the \$500 by Mrs. Shaw was invested in a mortgage on a farm. The mortgagor failing to meet obligations, the farm went to sale, and is now in the hands of the Mission Board.

The interest above 2 per cent. on the \$500 by Mrs. Shaw is to be returned to her during her natural life.

Brother Ephraim Pierce, Cliftondale, Mass., donated a house and lot in El Dorado, Kansas, for mission purposes, for which the board now has an offer of \$500.

The comparative statements below show the growth of our missionary receipts for the last three quadrenniums. The \$790.48 in the loss column is more than compensated by the \$4,049.30 gain in "Other Accounts," which was nearly all for the foreign work—"Mission Home," "Tokio Church," and "Special" to send Miss True. There is no special home mission account but "Franklin."

Now, with the finances of the country improved, and given a united and cooperative church, our gains will be, as they certainly should be, more rapid.

The total receipts for the last three quadrenniums have been as follows:

ACCOUNTS.	'88 to '90.	'90 to '94.	Gain.	'91 to '98.	Gain Over Last.	Loss Over Last.	On Hand Oct. 1, '94.	On Hand Oct. 1, '98.
Home Missions.....	\$16,953 18	\$17,285 38	\$332 21	\$20,472 19	\$3,186 51	.....	\$2,683 94	\$822 08
Foreign Missions....	7,019 38	18,461 39	1,442 00	17,670 91	.....	\$790 48	1,713 70	1,011 82
Other accounts.....	.....	.....	.....	4,049 30	4,049 30	.....	.....	1,021 84
Total.....	\$23,972 56	\$35,746 77	\$1,774 21	\$42,192 40	\$6,445 68	.....	\$4,397 64	\$2,855 74

<sup>1</sup> Thrown into the two accounts.

## Department of Sunday Schools—Report of Secretary.

*Mr. President and Members of the Convention:*

As your servant in the Sunday-school department of our general work, I have done what I could. Owing to the pressing demands of my duties in another field I have not been able to give the time to it which its importance demands, and the results have hence been small. Other serious difficulties have hindered, which will appear as we go on, and with which many of you are only too familiar.

The special duty imposed upon me was the exposition of the Sunday-school lesson in the *Herald of Gospel Liberty*. That work I did for something more than a year, when the pressure of other work compelled me to give it up. Since then I have employed others to do it—most of the time Rev. T. S. Weeks. Owing to the fact that the lesson notes have usually occupied all the space allowed this department in the *Herald*, very little else has been prepared for it.

Aside from the work of preparing notes on the lesson, persistent efforts have been made to inaugurate and push several lines of work.

1. **That of Organizing Sunday-School Departments in Our Conferences.**—Repeatedly I have written to all our Conference Secretaries, usually just before the annual session, asking them to urge the appointment of a Sunday-school Secretary, whose special duty it should be to keep himself informed on all Sunday-school matters, to put himself in touch with the Sunday-school superintendents of his Conference and in every possible way to instruct and help in the sustaining and developing of Sunday-school interests. I have not met with the response that I could have wished in this effort. Only about half of our seventy Conferences have such Secretaries so far as reports have been made to me. Which they are can be seen by referring to the table of statistics. This, however, is an encouraging beginning and we may reasonably hope that the next quadrennium will complete the list.

2. **That of Collecting Statistics.**—This is a difficult matter among our people in all departments, but it seems to be especially so in the Sunday school. Our Annual gives the number of churches, ministers, etc., of all our Conferences, but not of the Sunday-schools. Evidently few records exist. I have taken the utmost pains to secure them, sending blanks, again and again, to Sunday-school Secretaries, where they had been appointed, and to Conference Secretaries and Presidents, beside keeping standing notices in the *Herald* for months at a time, and yet I have succeeded in getting returns from only forty-seven Conferences.

In the statistical table in this report I have included the names of all our Conferences, as given in the Annual, hoping thereby to stimulate those which have neglected to report to be more thoughtful in the future. You will notice that I have included the number of churches in each Conference in this report. In only seven are the number of schools equal to the number of churches. In several they are very much less. In only five cases do they exceed the number of churches. Evidently many of our churches have no schools, and there is great need of effort being made to organize them. Several new schools have been organized as will be seen by the report. [See table on page 56.]

3. **That of Organizing Home Departments.**—This as a very important feature of Sunday-school work I have taken great pains to explain and urge. I have sent the proper literature to all Sunday-school Secretaries and told them where supplies could be obtained. As this is comparatively new work, our schools have been slow to adopt it and very little has been done as you will see by the table, but I have reason to believe that much more has been done than is reported.

4. **That of Missionary Collections.**—Only twelve Conferences report such collections. In several cases this item in the blank return has been filled "not reported," and in others "included in general collection," so there has doubtless been considerably more given for this purpose than the table would indicate.

5. **That of Sustaining Teacher's Meetings, Conventions, etc.**—What has been done by way of organizing normal classes for teachers I cannot say as no reports have been sent me. Several Conferences have reported Sunday-school conventions, and many more have united in holding State and County interdenominational meetings of this character.

In the July, 1895, number of the *American Christian*, issued by this department, all these lines of work were carefully set forth and explained. A copy of this has been sent to all Sunday-school Secretaries and such other agents as I have sought to enlist in their execution. In this way, and in many others, I have endeavored to lay before our schools important and definite work and to do what I could to insure its being done.

One very encouraging feature is the number of conversions reported, nearly every Conference having more or less, the highest being 490—showing that faithful, practical work has been done in our schools, and showing also their importance to the Church. And these reports are for only a single year. In very few instances have I succeeded in getting more than one report from our schools during the four years, although I have tried each year. If these conversions are only an average number then this item of the report should be multiplied by four, which would give a very creditable showing.

Since writing the above the report from the Southern Ohio Conference has come in, which gives the number of conversions as 514, but it specifically states that they are the result of the entire quadrennium.

## FINANCES.

*Receipts.*

Balance from former Secretary, Rev. J. F. Burnett.....	\$ 75 52
Sunday-school collections for quadrennium.....	244 59
From Lucilla S. C. Treadwell.....	1 00
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Total receipts.....	\$321 11

*Expenditures.*

The <i>American Christian</i> for July, 1895.....	\$ 40 00
For stationery, literature distributed, blanks, articles for H. G. L., etc.....	51 97
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Total expenditures.....	\$ 91 97
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Balance in treasury.....	\$229 14

The largest item of expenditure was for printing.

## RECOMMENDATIONS.

1. That all the lines of work indicated above be continued. All of them are important, and it is difficult to tell upon which especial emphasis should be laid, but two or three of them are evidently receiving less attention than others. The Home Department work is very valuable. It is helpful for the school, and carries comfort and strength to an otherwise neglected class. It has not yet received, relatively, the attention it demands. I urge that especial effort be made to develop and sustain it.

Christianity is essentially a missionary religion. It must give its life in order to save and enlarge it. The next century is to be *the* missionary century of its history. We must prepare ourselves for it. In order to do so we must educate the coming generation to give for this specific purpose. The children must be reared in this habit. The Sunday school offers the only universal opportunity for it. Hence I urge that more especial attention be given to this branch of Sunday-school education.

2. That the Sunday-school Secretary be authorized to pay more liberally for the sustaining and developing of this department in the *Herald of Gospel Liberty*. The proper preparation of notes on a Sunday-school lesson involves as much work as the making of an average sermon, and we would not think of asking a man to prepare fifty-two sermons for what we are now paying for our lesson notes. We need also stirring articles on Sunday-school topics, carefully prepared by those especially identified with this work. They should be so remunerated as to make it worth their while to do their best. Weekly notes on topics of current general interest should also be given. But whoever gives the requisite time for making such notes reliable and profitable must be paid for it. While the contributions of our schools are yet very small for this department, the balance now in the treasury and the increasing amount of these contributions make it possible to do more in these directions than has been done, and I feel confident that if good returns are shown for the little already given, it will be comparatively easy to get what we need. Good work is cheapest in the long run, however much it costs.

Respectfully submitted,

C. A. TILLINGHAST, *Secretary*.

NAME OF CONFERENCE.	NAME AND ADDRESS OF SUNDAY-SCHOOL SECRETARY.	No. of Churches.	No. of Schools.	No. of Teachers.	No. of Pupils.	No. Conversions.	No. of Papers Taken.	Total of Money Raised.	Money for Mis-sions.	No. of Home Departments.	No. of New Schools Organized.	No. of Institutes.
Bible Union.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Central Illinois.....	Rev. J. H. Martin, Johnsonville, Ind.	27	19	224	1,090	96	.....	\$352 97	.....	.....	.....	.....
Central Indiana.....	.....	13	10	.....	352	108	500	103 28	.....	.....	.....	.....
Central Iowa.....	A. H. Welker, Le Grand, Iowa.....	5	7	57	490	.....	200	.....	\$85 00	.....	.....	2
Des Moines.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
East'n Atlantic N C (Col).....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Eastern Indiana.....	Rev. D. Powell, Wingate, Ind.....	78	76	546	5,870	490	5,876	2,067 00	.....	.....	.....	.....
Eastern Kansas.....	.....	40	26	109	1,738	.....	.....	276 05	.....	.....	.....	.....
Eastern North Carolina.....	Rev. M. W. Butler, Berkley, Va.....	32	35	284	1,953	101	.....	904 83	66 00	.....	1	1
Eastern Virginia.....	J. F. Barnes, Huntington, Ind.....	40	37	259	2,620	158	1,217	978 88	142 08	.....	1	8
Eel River.....	T. M. Ryan, Fairview, Erie Co., Pa.....	17	21	109	963	.....	.....	500 00	.....	.....	3	.....
Erie.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Georgia and Alabama.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Indiana Miami Reserve.....	.....	33	37	.....	1,364	105	586	438 41	.....	.....	.....	.....
Kentucky (First).....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Kentucky (Second).....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Maine.....	.....	23	11	96	720	23	.....	242 63	.....	.....	.....	.....
Merrimac.....	Rev. W. S. Morrill, South Danbury, N. H.....	8	9	.....	350	.....	.....	176 20	.....	.....	.....	.....
Miami (Ohio).....	Rev. Carl Summerbell, Dayton, Ohio.....	55	55	304	3,700	200	1,068	1,470 74	13 00	.....	.....	.....
Michigan.....	Mrs. T. Perkins, Washington, Macomb Co., Mich.....	14	10	78	894	.....	839	351 75	.....	.....	1	.....
Mount Vernon.....	.....	23	22	88	900	50	1,400	425 30	.....	.....	.....	.....
Nebraska.....	Mrs. I. C. Harlan, South Sioux City, Neb.....	4	1	9	135	.....	.....	32 00	9 00	.....	.....	.....
New Jersey.....	Mrs. M. H. B. Couse, Halsey, N. J.....	29	15	99	1,321	50	355	1,189 16	.....	.....	.....	.....
New York Central.....	Mrs. Rose L. Crowell, North Rush, N. Y.....	14	14	80	818	59	322	241 24	.....	.....	1	.....
New York Eastern.....	Rev. W. O. Hornbaker, Schultsville, N. Y.....	49	36	210	2,476	59	535	956 70	.....	5	.....	.....
New York Northern.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
New York Southern.....	.....	10	8	37	421	.....	111	138 05	.....	.....	.....	.....
New York Western.....	Myron B. Field, Esq., Machias, N. Y.....	9	9	68	840	5	285	290 13	.....	.....	.....	.....
North Carolina and Va.....	John T. Cobb, Elon College, N. C.....	30	30	170	1,700	.....	230	560 00	.....	.....	2	1
North Carolina (Col.).....	J. S. Rogers, Raleigh, N. C.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Northeastern Ohio.....	.....	4	3	20	190	.....	95	20 00	.....	.....	.....	.....
2Northern Ill. and Wis.....	Rev. H. E. Polley, Stevens Point, Wis.....	4	4	18	100	1	27	12 61	8	.....	.....	.....
Northern Kansas.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
North Missouri.....	Rev. C. DeWeese, Indian Grove, Mo.....	15	7	23	250	3	100	20 73	.....	.....	2	.....
Northwestern Arkansas.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Northwestern Indiana.....	.....	29	20	17	1,438	109	1,035	552 92	.....	.....	.....	.....
Northwestern Ohio.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Ohio Central.....	.....	32	26	140	1,671	.....	620	505 16	56 55	.....	.....	.....
Ohio Eastern.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Oklahoma.....	.....	5	1	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Ontario.....	Miss Gertude Garbutt, Little Britain, Ont.....	25	18	166	1,411	61	679	331 21	98 46	1	1	.....
Osage.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Rays Hill.....	Rev. M. M. Boor, Lashley, Pa.....	14	14	85	819	41	234	77 86	.....	.....	.....	1
Red River.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Rhode Island and Mass.....	Rev. Wm. J. Reynolds, New Bedford, Mass.....	34	35	363	2,416	27	995	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Richland Union.....	Jas. Bachtenkircher, Boaz, Wis.....	18	13	45	404	1	161	49 60	72 00	.....	2	1
Rockingham.....	Rev. J. A. Goss, Haverhill, Mass.....	16	14	.....	1,513	42	.....	800 00	.....	4	.....	.....
Southern Illinois.....	.....	13	.....	.....	550	.....	.....	2,491 87	.....	.....	.....	.....
Southern Ind. and Ill.....	John W. Emerson, Owensville, Ind.....	15	5	.....	213	37	310	71 10	.....	.....	.....	.....
Southern Kansas.....	Emma Rasmussen, Neola, Kan.....	10	7	32	320	22	.....	133 00	21 38	1	1	.....
Southern Ohio.....	Rev. T. J. Bowman, Ripley, Ohio.....	39	38	160	2,400	514	600	2,000 00	.....	.....	1	3
Southern Pennsylvania.....	Simon H. Karns, Pine Ridge, Pa.....	16	10	48	580	49	587	105 97	.....	.....	.....	.....
3Southern Wabash (Ill.).....	Rev. Vitallas Smith, Hord, Ill.....	41	30	149	1,227	110	100	1,096 33	75	.....	2	12
Southwestern Iowa.....	M. Matteson, Griswold, Iowa.....	23	18	95	1,201	12	.....	314 92	.....	.....	.....	.....
Southwestern West Va.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Spring River.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Tioga River.....	Rev. L. A. Dykeman, Worcester, Otsego Co., N. Y.....	17	14	66	776	16	140	174 00	.....	.....	2	1
Union Iowa.....	Mr. E. I. Hawkes, Le Grand, Iowa.....	10	8	34	431	12	.....	110 78	.....	.....	.....	.....
Vermont.....	Rev. C. H. Schofield, North Shrewsbury, Vt.....	6	6	41	532	47	128	255 80	.....	.....	.....	.....
Virginia Central.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Virginia Valley.....	D. P. Rosenberger.....	8	6	47	345	4	.....	80 52	.....	.....	1	.....
Western Illinois.....	Mrs. Josephene Amos, Avon, Ill.....	15	12	67	671	23	230	310 00	42 81	.....	1	.....
Western Indiana.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	2100	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Western Mich. & N. Ind.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Western N. Carolina.....	.....	38	35	150	1,700	.....	.....	250 00	.....	.....	.....	.....
Western Pennsylvania.....	Charles Lytle, Confluence, Pa.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Western Washington.....	Rev. J. C. Olson, Montesano, Chehalis Co., Wash.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
West Virginia.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Wisconsin Northern.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
York and Cumberland.....	Allen C. Moulton, York Village, Maine.....	12	9	50	459	.....	137	142 32	.....	.....	.....	.....
Total.....	.....	998	887	4,630	52,356	2,635	21,863	\$21,138 02	\$57 11	14	22	31

<sup>1</sup> Seven union schools.

<sup>2</sup> Some Sunday schools, no helps.

<sup>3</sup> Two Loyal Army Plans.

Respectfully submitted,

C. A. TILLINGHAST, *Secretary.*

**Christian Endeavor Department—Report of the Secretary.**

*Brethren:*

Four years ago, at the Haverhill Convention, the work of this department was inaugurated as a distinct department of the American Christian Convention. The department was inaugurated and the work organized because there was a felt need. Many of the people of our connection were being organized into Societies of Christian Endeavor. Others were waiting to organize. In order to organize the unorganized forces, and in order to concentrate and direct all into channels of usefulness, our leaders were quick to see that we needed such a department. The developments of the last four years have vindicated the wisdom of the action. The Christian Endeavor department of the American Christian Convention is now recognized by all as a necessity. The great work of a Christian Endeavor Society corresponds somewhat to the spiritual gifts spoken of in I. Cor. 12:28. "And God hath set some in the church, first apostles, secondarily prophets, thirdly teachers . . . then gifts of healings, helps," etc., etc. There are discouraged pastors to help, dead prayer-meetings to resurrect, the social and spiritual life of the young to guide and build up, and a multitude of evils to combat. Who can better do these things than the young life of the church and community if properly controlled, organized, and directed? But observe that it is a work that the statistician cannot compute. Part of the work, but only a part, can be tabulated. The work of gathering statistics and tabulating them is a part, but only a small part, of the duty of the Endeavor secretary. As the plan of work has been to get the State and other Conferences to appoint secretaries of Endeavor work who are to come into direct touch with the societies through the corresponding secretaries, it will be seen that the general secretary is dependent on the subordinate secretaries and these in turn upon the corresponding secretaries of the individual societies, for information. When these latter are faithless, the general secretary is helpless. About two-thirds of our societies report through Conference and State organizations with a degree of promptness. The other third seem to have dwelt long on II. Sam. 24, and refuse to be counted lest the anger of the Lord be enkindled against them. We wish to say to these brethren that no visible marks of the Lord's displeasure so far rest on any of us who have been counted, and that the best commentators are agreed that the statistical prohibition and attendant curse referred strictly to ancient Israel, and does not apply to modern ecclesiastical statistics. Brethren, stand up and be counted "for Christ and the Church." Yes, for the *Christian Church*. It can do you no harm and we'll all be pleased to know that you exist.

We are no lugubrious statistician, in fact no statistician at all, but we beg to submit the subjoined table which speaks for itself. You can make your own comparisons—invidious or otherwise, draw your own conclusions, and learn the obvious lessons. How encouraging it would no doubt be if every Conference Christian Endeavor secretary would secure and submit a report from each Society:

FOR THE YEAR ENDING JULY 31, 1898.

CONFERENCES, ETC.	Societies.	Members Active.	Members Associate.	Juniors.	Junior Members.	Mission Money.	Money for Other Purposes.	Amount.
New England Con. (gain 10.).	72	1,940	815	17	699	\$490 58	.....	\$490 58
New York (41 reporting).....	48	1,222	331	5	83	279 66	\$767 65	1,047 31
N. J. and Pa. (33 reporting)...	36	875	214	13	296	144 42	440 43	584 85
Ohio (partial report from 38)	85	1,178	223	9	374	186 50	293 20	479 70
Indiana.....	89	2,867	921	24	610	96 12	210 86	306 98
Illinois (gain 8).....	46	920	.....	.....	.....	.....	177 94	177 94
Ontario.....	8	240	61	.....	.....	5 52	118 20	123 72
Mich., Ia., Kan., and the West. <small>(Partial reports from five.)</small>	48	262	27	1	15	15 12	10 00	25 12
South (no reports).....	17	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
	449	9,504	2,592	69	2,077	\$1,217 92	\$2,018 28	\$3,236 20

46 New England Societies have pledged \$630.00 for Foreign Missions this year.

In addition to the foregoing the Missionary secretary's books show that during the last quadrennium — July, 1894, to July, 1898 — the following amounts from the Christian Endeavor Societies have passed through the hands of the Mission secretary:

First year.....	\$1,032 47
Second year.....	664 25
Third year.....	1,135 89
Fourth year.....	1,207 84
	\$4,040 45

No doubt other amounts have been sent to the general secretary of the Convention.

In response to a recent appeal for funds to aid Franklinton School, eleven societies have responded, with an aggregate of \$38.69. Many societies regularly contribute clothing, books, etc., as well as money, to Franklinton, of which no account is kept or reported. The above facts and figures do not cover amounts given for Conference, local and city mission work, Armenian and other famine relief work, etc., neither do they cover contributions for the support of the local church or pastor, repairs, etc., etc. We have meager statistics from perhaps half of our societies, covering this work the past two years, amounting to \$3,370.59. No report for the two former years.

Upon the whole, we can report that our societies are increasing in numbers, enthusiasm, and the spirit of sacrifice. In view of the outlook we ought to begin the second quadrennium of our Christian Endeavor work with high hopes.

The Endeavor Secretary makes the following recommendations:

1. Uniform statistical blanks, to be adopted by all our Conferences and Associations, as follows:



REPORT OF \_\_\_\_\_ Y. P. S. C. E., FOR YEAR ENDING \_\_\_\_\_

Date of organization \_\_\_\_\_

Name and address of corresponding secretary \_\_\_\_\_

No. members... { Active \_\_\_\_\_  
Associate \_\_\_\_\_  
Honorary \_\_\_\_\_

Contributions for missions \_\_\_\_\_

For local benevolences \_\_\_\_\_

For all other purposes \_\_\_\_\_

Have you a Junior Society? \_\_\_\_\_

Name and address of superintendent \_\_\_\_\_

No. members \_\_\_\_\_

Contributions for missions \_\_\_\_\_

For local benevolences \_\_\_\_\_

For all other purposes \_\_\_\_\_

2. That this Convention commend the Endeavor Societies of the New England Convention for supporting two missionaries in the field, and urge all other societies to form groups for the purpose of supporting other workers in a similar way.

3. That since the Sunday schools contribute for Home Missions, and since nearly all the members of the Christian Endeavor Societies are members of the Sunday school and contribute for Home Missions through that channel, the Endeavor Societies be called upon to make regular and systematic contributions for Foreign Missions, not forgetting at least once a year to forward to Franklinton (N. C.) School such supplies as they can raise.

4. All our Conferences and Associations which have not done so should be urged to organize a department of Christian Endeavor, with a secretary of Endeavor work to push the organization of new societies and superintend the general work of already existing societies of the Conference.

5. The following from our denominational rally at Nashville is self-explanatory, and should be acted upon by this Convention:

LEBANON, INDIANA, September 23, 1898.

*Rev. P. A. Canada.*

The following resolution was adopted by the "Christians" in their rally at Nashville, and I was directed to forward same to you:

*Resolved,* That the American Christian Convention, through its Endeavor Secretary, be requested to adopt national Endeavor colors.

That the American Christian Convention be requested to nominate a candidate for trustee of the United Society of Christian Endeavor in order that the "Christians" may be properly represented on the Board of Trustees.

We were informed by Secretary Baer that this is the proper way to obtain such representation.

Respectfully submitted,  
C. A. BROWN.

6. Denominational colors or badge.—Attach to a plain catch pin, a plain white ribbon 1¼ inches wide and 4 inches long; attached to this a celluloid pendant, on one side a picture of an open Bible and motto, "Our Only Creed;" on the other side a hemisphere and motto, "Our Fellowship World-wide."

Respectfully submitted,

P. A. CANADA,  
*Secretary Christian Endeavor Department,  
American Christian Convention.*

## Report of the Correspondence College.

EDDYTOWN, N. Y., September 10, 1898.

*To the American Christian Convention.*

DEAR BRETHREN: I have the honor to submit my annual report of the Christian Correspondence College for the year ending July 31, 1898.

At the opening of the fall work in September, 1897, the prospect for the season seemed unusually promising, since several of the students of the previous year were expecting to continue work, while two new students, who had been matriculated in the summer, were entering upon their tasks with enthusiasm. To our disappointment, however, the only ones who have held to their duties have been the two mentioned, one brother in Maine, and one in New York. These have made commendable progress, and are both convinced of the valuable contribution the school has given to their mental equipment.

But however strong the attachment of these brethren to the institution, it remains that the sustaining of the school for a number so limited, was not the intention of the Convention. When the school was launched upon its career, some of its friends cherished visions of pupils besieging us by the score, and the hundred; while others less optimistic, expected a roster of from thirty to fifty. At times there have been from twenty to forty on the books, but many circumstances combine to prevent a large enrollment. For several of the best of our pupils have been transferred to Stanfordville, always with our complete acquiescence, and even encouragement. One this year has entered Starkey, with the intention of pursuing a full course in arts. Others still, who might have remained with us, have taken courses prescribed by their home conference, the latter work rendering it impossible to carry on ours at the same time. Still another influence has operated to reduce our numbers, namely, the quietness with which the work moves on. In a regular school or college there is the stimulus of the students, the call of the morning bell, the competitions of the class, and the influence of the living teacher. All this is wanting in the correspondence method, and when it happens that the student has little training, he may fail to urge himself to tasks that call for toilsome application.

Reverting to the number now taking studies in the college, it becomes a serious question whether the responsibility of guiding the studies of settled pastors were not better relinquished by the Convention and relegated to the conferences, which may be able by coming into closer touch with the brethren to hold them better to their designated exercises. It may be urged, should such action be taken, that the students now at work would be deprived of a help which they thoroughly appreciate; but doubtless the wisdom of the brethren in Convention will provide for the needs of these, even though the formal relation they now hold be altered.

In any case, however, I trust that the Convention will relieve me, as I entreated four years ago, from a charge which I have borne as a sacred trust. I accepted the appointment at the first under stress of duty. I have discharged my trust in the light of a duty. In granting me relief as I request, the Convention has the assurance of my cordial support in whatever decision it may reach, whether to relegate the training of the pastors to the conferences, or in continuing the college under some other leader, who may succeed in constituting it a still more valuable adjunct to our educational system.

The financial transactions for the year have been as follows:

Balance from last year.....	\$3 69	Disbursed for books for students.....	\$5 63
Books purchased for students.....	6 38	Paid for printing.....	8 25
Tuition fees.....	15 00	Paid for administration and instruction.....	65 00
Quota from Convention Fund.....	58 00	Paid for postage.....	3 27
	<u>\$83 07</u>		<u>\$82 15</u>

Balance on hand, August 1, 1898..... \$0 92

All of which is respectfully submitted,

MARTYN SUMMERBELL,  
*President Christian Correspondence College.*

## Woman's Board for Home Missions of A. C. C.

PRESIDENT'S ADDRESS.

OCTOBER, 1898.

Another four years have rolled into eternity, another milestone has been reached, and we pause for retrospection and meet for counsel concerning our work for home missions. An interchange of opinions broadens the outlook and prompts to renewed action. Some have nobly helped to make our work a success and others have left their part undone. To the earnest workers every step of the way has been a lesson of humility, of faith, of dependence upon God.

In the eight years of the organization of our woman's home mission work, there has been an ever-deepening sense of their responsibility for the work, their wonderful opportunities, their high privileges. With every passing year there is a deepening confidence of the ultimate triumph of Jesus to reign supreme in the hearts of men, and an ever-growing thankfulness that we are permitted to share in the conflict and the joyful hope that if we are faithful we shall share in the glorious victory.

The organization of a woman's home missionary board was called into existence by the conviction that Christian women had a distinct responsibility for the work of the evangelization of America for Christ. Our aim has been to stir the hearts of the church to give systematically for missions. The payment of the regular dues of the society has helped to develop this principle of regular giving.

We spend dollars for ourselves and a few cents for the Lord. A few of our people have adopted the system of tithing. I am glad to believe the number is increasing. The most yet give spasmodically as enthusiasm or necessity demands. Our forefathers found in America a refuge from political and religious oppression—freedom to worship God. They found little physical advantage. They dealt with indifferent soil, covered with impenetrable forests. When the foundations of this nation were laid there was little wealth in the land. The rapid and brilliant progress of this nation is due to the intelligence, industry, love of freedom, habits of order, and a severe morality and a pure spirituality. Armed with these elements of strength and gifts of soul, they have converted the wilderness into a land teeming with life and smiling with plenty; they have built up a social system so pre-eminently calculated to promote the happiness and moral improvement of mankind that it has become the envy of the nations. The doors of our nation have stood open, and through them have entered brave, noble souls, who have brought wisdom and strength to the body politic. Through the same doors have poured in the paupers and criminal refugees of all nations.

*E pluribus unum* once meant "out of many states one nation." It has now come to mean "in one state many nations."

West of the Mississippi, there are 18,000 towns in which Christ has never been preached. Into the great West are flocking emigrants from across the waters. "The greatest problem," says Senator Edmunds, "which can confront my administration, is not protection, free trade, or the money question, but the care of our foreign population, and its assimilation into American citizenship."

When old Doctor Beecher left his church in Boston and went West, he said, "The great West must be saved; if we lose the West, we lose America; and if we lose America, we lose the world."

The people of the great Southwest need the gospel pure and simple; they must be led, persuaded, won.

The great question for the Christian Church of America to consider is, What shall we do for them?

What a fearful responsibility rests upon the Christian citizen of America. A country whose resources, if fully developed, it is estimated, would afford sustenance for more than three billion people. With these vast resources and the aggressive commercial, intellectual, and moral power of this republic, America is a veritable land of promise.

We venerate the fathers of the republic who so valiantly and nobly met the vicissitudes and claims of that age! Shall America of this generation be less faithful and wise? Larger opportunities and graver responsibilities fall upon us. It is ours, if true to God and guided by His hand, to hand down to our successors a nation with a purer faith, a loftier purpose, a richer promise, and so hasten the day when the kingdoms of this world shall become the kingdom of our Lord and of His Christ.

There is deplorable ignorance concerning the unchurched, and of the unchristianized condition of the people in many sections of our own land. We boast our civilization, yet millions do not have the gospel of Christ. They are in our borders and whatever of the uplift of the blessed Christ they receive must come from the Christians in America.

For lo! these many years the people of Cuba and the Philippines have been suffering under the heel of Spanish tyranny, with the galling yoke of Catholicism, grievous to bear. In late years a few missionaries have tried to reach them under the banner of King Jesus, but their progress was slow, for they battled against "principalities and powers and the rulers of the darkness of this world, against spiritual wickedness in high places," and uncared for by our Christian nation, the banner of Jesus trailed in the dust.

But there came a day, in the providence of God, when the wailing cries of the starving multitude reached the ears and penetrated the hearts of the nation. Then, at the sound of the fife and the drum, and under the folds of our star-spangled banner, our brave boys, two hundred thousand strong, marched away to the new crusade, which has blazed the way to great possibilities of evangelization. The results of the war, which have been marvelous, have enlarged the horizon of our home mission field. In addition to the unconverted and the foreign-speaking people already ours, we have under our peace-proclaiming flag millions of unsaved souls who are our neighbors, aye, even citizens of our own commonwealth. Add to these Hawaii, which has so quietly sought the protection of our flag, and the outlook sufficeth for work for all our ransomed powers.

Do we shrink from the cost and sacrifice of life and time that their salvation will involve? Not so during the late war. See the activity in arsenal and shipyard, and machine shop, and powder magazine. And in the glow of patriotism the soldiers hastened to the front, cheered by assembled multitudes, though it was known that hundreds would find graves in the briny deep or in a strange land, and many would return sick, debilitated, and crippled. And yet none of you said the cause is not sufficient.

Do you know that the cost of every shell from our great thirteen-inch guns was about as much as it would take to support two Christian missionaries for a year, and the cost of the war for three months would keep twelve thousand missionaries in the field for a generation?

In time of dire need our country freely poured out its blood and its treasure. In this time of God's great need to gain an inheritance for Christ, what will we pour out? Jesus is waiting and ready to redeem them from the bondage of superstition and sin and to put a new song into their mouths, even praises to our God.

The General Board now calls our attention to the Scandinavians of Minnesota. There is to me a peculiar pathos in the words of the psalmist,

"Ethiopia shall soon stretch out her hand to God."

So my sisters, may we not feel that with equal pathos and persistency, the Scandinavians stretch out their appealing hands to us? The American Christian Convention recommends the Scandinavian work at Minneapolis, Minn., and vicinity to the Woman's Board for Home Missions. Of this people it is said there are 70,000 in Minneapolis and 500,000 in Minnesota. Among this people the Christians are doing no work. With a minister of this people the Mission Secretary has been in correspondence for some two years. He desires to be one of and work with us, but for his own people. With this minister and a membership, I think not large, which he says will come with him, there would be a good nucleus, or starting point with which to begin.

Shall we take up this work? Then we shall desire all of our home mission societies to cooperate in it. If any wish to help in other lines already taken up, our colored people in the South, etc., they should so designate.

We must pray and work earnestly and continuously for enlargement of organization, and this field is ripe to the harvest, and while we pray the Lord to thrust forth the laborers into the harvest, we must put our hand to the sickle and help to gather the golden grain into His garner.

The problem of evangelization is greatly complicated by the increasing tendency of the lower classes of emigrants to congregate in the cities.

In addition to mission churches established in cities by the General Board, it would, I believe, be prolific of results could we have the deaconess work associated with them. While there has been some sympathetic endorsement of deaconess work in the past by the American Christian Convention and the Mission Board, I assure you that there can never be results without the financial backing. But this financial backing must not be given with the question, what will this accrue in strength to our church? although something would accrue. But the question must be, "What would Jesus do?"

This deaconess work must be actuated by the spirit of the pledge of Henry Maxwell, "We pledge ourselves to do everything only after asking ourselves the question, 'What would Jesus do?' regardless of what may be the results, and knowing it is for humanity's weal and God's glory." There must be a permanent deaconess, and then all Christians can be helpers in the work. After more than two years of association with Miss Sheldon and Miss Harvey and Miss Page in this work, I can say that, although it is a lowly service, it is a joyful service.

*Our Young People.*—The ruin of children and young men and women in our great cities is awful to contemplate. The future of this country depends upon the saving of the young. Every member of our church ought to enlist heartily in this colossal task.

Our young men and women who are seeking fame in fields of usefulness, where better can they find it than by enlisting in the work for missions and in the missionary army?

Missionary work develops the triumvirate love, courage, and faith. Mary Mott sent back to England for a communion set before they had one convert, believing God would give them souls. It brings world-wide renown to the promoters of the work. Instances: A. T. Prerson, A. J. Gordon, J. R. Mott. It gives heroes on mission fields: Zinzendorf, Carey, Judson, Livingstone. It gives broad influence. Eliza Agnew spent her life in her school in Dodooville, Ceylon, and at her death one thousand women and girls whom she had taught rose up to call her blessed.

And oh! it begets loving devotion in those reached and saved.

When one was being mourned by the great concourse of people a poor woman came into the midst, and clinging to the coffin said, "She saved my boy. I have walked sixty miles carrying my babe in my arms that I might see her face."

I wish to urge emphatically the great importance of concentrating the attention of the children upon the work that is being done by the Home Board. They need the education that comes to them in being trained for the work. Teach them that they are here to help make this great world a beautiful home for every one of earth's children. Upon them in a large measure will depend the future of the Church.

Ours is noticeably a day of woman's clubs, with much agitation about self-culture and entertaining. Much is said about the signs of the times and the questions of the day. The immortal Gladstone has said: "*There is but one question, that is the gospel; it can and will correct everything needing correction. My only hope for the world is in bringing the human mind into contact with divine revelation.*" "And I, if I be lifted up from the earth, will draw all men unto me."

The end and aim of all our work individually and in our missionary societies and by the missionaries on the field must be for the uplifting of Jesus Christ. The one unflinching purpose to which all our ener-

gies should be devoted must be that the knowledge of God may cover the earth as the waters cover the sea.

My soul was stirred; I prayed: "Let me  
Do some great work, so purely,  
To right life's wrongs, that I shall know  
That I have loved Thee surely."  
My lips sent forth their eager cry,  
The while my heart beat faster,  
"For some great deed to prove my love,  
Send me, send me, my Master!"

From out the silence came a voice,  
Saying: "If God thou fearest,  
Rise up and do, the whole life through,  
The duty that lies nearest.  
And boundless realms of faith and love  
Will wait for thy possessing;  
Not deeds, but deeds, if thou wouldst win  
Unto thy soul a blessing."

Of thoughts, or deeds, or daily life,  
He knows the true endeavor—  
To do His will, to seek His face—  
And He will fail me never.

EMILY K. BISHOP.

DAYTON, OHIO.

#### REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON HOME MISSIONS.

Your Committee on Home Missions beg leave to report, as follows:

1. In regard to the resolution referred to us recommending the election of an assistant secretary with a salary, with special reference to increasing home mission interest, your committee are of opinion that the measure is very excellent in theory, but in the present state of the home mission funds we cannot regard it as practically wise. We think that it is not wise to add to the expense of machinery unless there is an increase of funds to use and work to do which constitute a pressing demand for such added machinery.

2. Your committee approve the suggestion that it be recommended to the Home Mission Department to take into consideration the advisability of securing the entire time of the Convention Secretary, Rev. J. E. Burnett, to be devoted to the work of the convention and church-extension. We believe that by his agency an important re-inforcement to our work could be gained, and that increased financial receipts would go far toward meeting the added expense if it did not fully meet it.

Your committee are earnestly of the opinion that there is call for a new and wider enthusiasm in home mission work. Without desiring to discount in the least the work done for the foreign cause, we feel and believe that there has been too little zeal for the work that is right at our doors. It is by virtue of vitality in the home churches that means can be raised to do work abroad. It is in a vital and aggressive work at home that we can fulfill the mission for which we exist. When our Savior commissioned his disciples to preach the gospel to the ends of the earth, they were instructed to begin, and they did begin, at Jerusalem—right where they were. Let us begin at home and seek a Pentecost.

Again, it should be remembered that home mission work does not necessarily mean work at arm's length, even on our own frontiers. There is work among churches and localities within our own conferences. Nor does mission work mean so much money raised, but so much work done. There are great needs close at hand which, with the right spirit, may be met by voluntary aid from ministers and churches in the immediate neighborhood. In every conference every church should be in active and helpful touch with every other church. Every church should feel that its neighboring church is a sympathizing and cooperating sister.

Your committee therefore recommend:

1. That efforts be put forth to have the executive committee of every conference immediately take in hand the work of organizing active and mutually helpful missionary work throughout their conferences, so that every weak and needy church may have encouragement, inspiration, and voluntary aid in maintain-

ing its church life and doing its proper church work. If money is needed to supplement voluntary work, let the strong churches help the weak ones and report the results to the general secretary.

2. Your committee also believe that the principle that the strong should bear the infirmities of the weak applies to churches and localities as well as to persons. But aid rendered to the weak should have in view not merely the prolonging of a gasping life, but the aid of churches and localities which give promise of early self support and a return, for the benefit of others, of the aid rendered themselves. A special point in view should be, How much are the churches willing to do for themselves?

3. Your committee further believe that the churches should be kept as well informed of the needs, and promise, and result of work done in the several localities of the home field as in the foreign. The people want to know precisely what are the needs they are called upon to meet and what the result of the sacrifices they make.

4. Your committee have indicated their views as to a method of organization of the conferences for mission work within their own borders. We would also advise that a close communication be kept up between the executive committees of the conferences and the general secretary; and that thereby a wider and more general communication may be kept up with the churches and a zeal and interest kept alive in the broader work under the direction of the general board.

5. In *fine*, your committee believe that the great need is a due conception and a deep conviction of the importance of the work which God has entrusted to us. The word of God to us, "Arise and build," should be generally heard and recognized.

REPORT OF THE TREASURER OF THE WOMAN'S BOARD FOR HOME MISSIONS OF THE AMERICAN CHRISTIAN CONVENTION FOR FOUR YEARS, FROM OCT., 1894, TO OCT., 1898.

DEAR FRIENDS OF THE AMERICAN CHRISTIAN CONVENTION: We are glad to greet you again in our quadrennial meeting, and to tell you what the women of our denomination have been doing in the past four years for Home Missions. The amount given seems small when compared with the amount given to the Foreign Work, and we do hope that more of our sisters in attendance at this meeting may become interested in our Home Mission Work, and that we may have very soon, in all our conferences, a woman's board for missions, which means Home as well as Foreign Missions.

Of the seventy conferences in our denomination, only thirteen report to the Woman's Board for Home Missions of the American Christian Convention. The Miami (Ohio) Conference stands at the head of the list, having given \$193.06; the Southwestern Iowa next, \$109.39; the Western Indiana next, \$94.06. The total from all conference boards, \$725.54.

Receipts.

I have received in the four years—		
Donations amounting to.....	\$61 23	
Membership dues.....	51 25	
From local societies.....	75 36	
From conference boards.....	728 54	
Total .....		\$916 38

Expenditures.

The expense of Board meetings.....	\$15 70
Expense of secretary and treasurer.....	17 25
Expense of sending organizers.....	\$3 72
Sent to Mission Secretary.....	799 71
Total paid out .....	\$916 38

Making an even balance.

MRS. ADA O. WARBINTON,  
Treas. of W. B. for H. M. of the A. C.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON MISSIONS.

Your Committee on Missions would respectfully report as follows:

1. We would recommend that all our conferences appoint mission secretaries, whose duties it shall be to develop the interest in missions among the churches and Sunday schools by arranging and conducting missionary meetings in connection with

the annual sessions of conference and at such other times as may best serve the cause; by seeking to introduce missionary literature into church and Sunday-school libraries; and by having special interest in and oversight of the work of pastors and churches in response to convention calls.

2. We recommend that our Woman's Conference Board be organized along conference lines, so that the local societies are a part of, or auxiliary to, the conference board.

That dues and all money raised in the local society be placed in the treasury of said society and sent by the treasurer to the treasurer of the conference board, and by her to the treasurer of the Woman's Board of the American Christian Convention, to be deposited in the bank, where it will await the call of the Mission Secretary for appropriate mission work.

It is also recommended that the Woman's Board of the American Christian Convention instruct their auxiliaries as to the importance of sending delegates to the American Christian Convention, and also that the conference boards instruct their auxiliaries as to the duty of sending delegates to the annual conferences, that thus our work may become more general and our methods uniform.

3. We would further commend the Rev. Z. A. Poste, President of Franklinton College, N. C., in his efforts to raise the standard of education at that institution, and yet to give special emphasis to the moral and religious training of its students; also, his purpose to enlarge the curriculum to accommodate advanced students.

We recommend that the Board of Control be encouraged to enlarge and extend the scope of the work both in the matter of students and faculty.

4. We would also recommend to, and urge upon, the trustees and faculty of our colleges and seminaries the duty of placing missions on the regular course of study, and making it as obligatory as that of the sciences or classics; also, that missionary books be placed in the libraries and missionary magazines in the reading-rooms of our colleges and higher schools.

5. We also recommend the Scandinavian work at Minneapolis, Minn., and vicinity to the Woman's Board for Home Missions of the American Christian Convention, subject to investigation, approval, and appropriation by the Mission Board.

6. That the convention urge upon pastors and other friends of missions the duty of giving more attention to securing legacies for missions.

7. We would further recommend that the reorganization and incorporation of our Mission Board be authorized, and that the matter and method of such organization and incorporation be referred to the Mission Board and the Executive Board of the American Christian Convention.

8. We further recommend that the convention recognize the *Christian Missionary* as the official missionary organ of the denomination, and authorize its continuance under the auspices of the Mission Board of the convention.

9. Inasmuch as less than ten thousand of our Christian Endeavors have given to our mission work a sum fully equal to two-thirds of the amount given by all the churches through all other channels, we would urge upon people, pastors, and conference officials the duty of bringing all the people up to a standard of duty and privilege in this regard commensurate with the advanced ideals of consecration which are being accepted by the rising generation and wonderfully blessed of God.

Moved and carried that the Secretary of Missions be instructed to forward the following correction to the Secretary of the American Christian Convention, with the request that it be attached to the report of the Committee on Missions of the American Christian Convention:

Of the sum contributed to missions (Home and Foreign) by our denomination during the last quadrennium, nearly one-tenth ( $\frac{1}{10}$ ) of the whole was contributed by the Christian Endeavor Societies. Total sum, \$42,192.40; Young People's Society of Christian Endeavor, \$4,040.45. W. H. DENISON,  
(Nov., 1898.) Secretary of Mission Board.

## REPORT OF COMMISSIONERS ON CHRISTIAN UNION.

MR. PRESIDENT, BROTHERS, AND SISTERS: The spirit of Christian Union among us is as old as our denominational existence; nay, it is older. It was born with the first heart-beats of life in the movements which led our pioneer fathers to separate themselves from the sects to which they had belonged, and take an independent stand.

The first impulse in any reform must be the conviction that the reform is needed. The sight of evil, and the conviction that it is an evil, are the incentives to the effort to remove it. Our fathers felt the pinch of sectarian exclusiveness. They saw sect arrayed against sect among those who called themselves disciples of Christ, instead of being combined against sin and to save the world. They saw themselves barred from fellowship, houses of worship shut against them, and the chance forbidden them to deliver their simple message of love and salvation, because they could not bow to the creed of the popular churches. They believed in one Lord Jesus Christ, Savior of all, one gospel of life for all men, one church of the living God, one body of Christ, of which every regenerated soul was a member. They loved God and loved every one who was born of God. But around them they saw discord and strife; they saw churches divided on questions of name, and creed, and organization, and government, and their hearts were pained. They determined to have no part in it. They believed that the love of Christ would heal these wrongs and break down these divisions; so they determined to take a position in which nothing in name, creed, or organization should repel any true Christian.

This spirit has characterized our people in all their history. So, as they have seen the advance of the spirit of union among Christians of different bodies, they have rejoiced, and have been ready to recognize, encourage, and cooperate with it in any feasible way. Hence our convention has at several quadrennials appointed its standing committee on Christian Union. These have been committees for correspondence and negotiation. Some good and practical results have already been achieved. The union with our brethren of the South is effectively consummated. Union with our brethren of the Christian Union people added material strength. Other correspondence has been had, from which no practical results have followed, but all has been conducted in a spirit of Christian friendliness which at least has led to better acquaintance and produced no alienations.

All the time, however, certain things have been plainly understood:

1. As we hold as a basis of our organization no principles that are not essential to Christian character, none that can be dispensed with without compromising the conditions of true discipleship,—we can entertain no propositions for union which look in the least to any yielding of these principles. It would be alienation from Christ to do so.

2. No union would be a Christian union which is based merely or unconditionally on a name. So, as we bear a name that has nothing in it that can divide the body of Christ, any suggestion that we should surrender our name as a condition of union would be rejected at once.

3. Desirable as union may be, that only is a Christian union which is a Christian union. Union, to be genuine, must be Christian, and Christian only in its spirit and conditions. Any element of selfish, personal or denominational, is necessarily unchristian, involving antagonism of interests, and positively incompatible with a true union. Any movement towards union in which either party has in view any personal or organic advantage, is dead at the beginning, and is to be dropped as soon as the spirit is detected.

4. So union for the sake of union, aiming merely at the making of a larger and more powerful denomination, either by absorption or combination, is vitiating in its spirit, and cannot be a really Christian union. With such a union we would have nothing to do.

Pure character, Christian love, and high contempt for purpose, are the elements which must cement any true union on any scale whatever. The position taken at our convention at Haverhill, Massachusetts, four years ago we believe to be the true position.

1. No compromise of essential principles. We would yield nothing which is essential to true disciple-

ship, nothing which is essential to the nobility and completeness of character which the gospel contemplates and is in the world to effect. Nor would we accept any condition which would bar out any part of God's true children, even for the sake of a closer union with another part.

2. Our attitude is the same toward all.

"Our action should not limit itself to the members of any one body. Any Christian or body of Christians who will meet us, as we would meet them, to devise measures for inter-denominational and inter-christian fraternalization and cooperation for gospel work, shall have a sincere welcome. We hold and avow ourselves as ready to work together with any body on conditions simply Christian, for simply Christian ends."

3. No disintegrations, and recombinations, should be contemplated.

"We do not believe that, even for the greatest efficiency in united labor, it is necessary that existing organizations and vested interests should be surrendered. Organizations of long standing and permanent efficiency, especially such as hold important trusts, cannot be easily set aside. They need not be. They are necessary instrumentalities of efficient Christian work."

Deep as is our interest in Christian union, and strong as is our conviction of its importance, neither our convention nor its committee have left it incumbent on them to be forward in seeking it. We avow our open attitude. We express our faith and our interest in the union of Christians in any practical way, and stand ready to take the hand that is extended to us in the spirit in which our own is tendered. We have never been first to seek union with other bodies, lest we might seem to be willing to step off our simply Christian ground; but, though we cannot say that the members of our body have all acted on that principle, the sincere action of our convention's committee has shown that we would not repel advances made in a genuine Christian spirit.

Referring to the resolutions adopted at Haverhill, it will be seen that the actuating purpose was to do a greater good for Christ, through wider cooperation among his disciples; that parties to any cooperative action should be considered as in parity of Christian standing without any doctrinal test as a basis; that nothing should be done detrimental to any institution as at present constituted, or tending to impair the vigorous prosecutions of existing enterprises. The commission provided for were restrained from any action that did not meet practically unanimous approval on both sides, and then nothing could be final without the ratification of the national bodies.

Your commissioners have, in all that they have done, had careful regard to this action, as it accorded fully with their own views.

In April of the spring following the convention, a joint conference of members of our own and of the Congregational bodies was held in Piqua, Ohio. Your chairman and others of your commission were present. The meeting had a president and secretary from each body. No negotiations looking to organized union were had or contemplated, but measures of common interest to the cause beloved by all were discussed.

The spirit of Christ pervaded the sessions, and fraternal bonds were strengthened.

In the following autumn your chairman returned the compliment of the visit of Dr. Ward to our convention, by visiting the National Council of Congregational churches, at Syracuse, New York. He was cordially received, and the most uncompromising utterances in regard to our position met the heartiest sympathy and response. Difficulties and improbabilities were looked squarely in the face, and considered in a spirit of Christian candor.

The only meeting of the members of your commission, as such, with other committees was the meeting at Craigville, with brothers of the Congregational committee, in August, 1897.

Then four of your committee met three from the Congregational committee, and a few others from each of the bodies met with them. After serious, candid, and prayerful consideration, the recommendations given below were unanimously agreed to. It was decided, however, that they should not be considered as adopted and be given to the public till they had been submitted to the members of both committees

and the approval of a substantial majority on both sides given. They were so submitted, and the approval lacked but one (this one was one of the members of the Congregational committee) of being unanimous. It should be said that one member of our commission objected from the first to the words "or the equivalent thereof;" and another has since signified his objection to the same words.

#### *Craigville Recommendations.*

"Resolved, That a union of the two bodies be recommended on the following basis:

"1. Mutual recognition of the Christian standing of each other's churches and ministers, with no doctrinal test beyond the acceptance of the Bible as the only standard of faith and practice.

"2. One name for the highest representative body, such as the General Council of Christian Churches.

"3. Present organizations, institutions, and usages not to be disturbed by this action.

"4. That it be advised that new enterprises or churches be established under such a name as 'Christian' or the equivalent thereof.

As co-operative measures we recommend:

"1. That ministerial associations of either body where there are also ministers who are members of the other body, invite such ministers into full membership.

"2. That local conferences of churches and ministers, and state or district conferences or associations of either body invite churches and ministers of the other body into a full membership for purposes of local fellowship and co-operation, without disturbing their existing denominational relations.

"3. That in state or any local home mission enterprises, the boards of the two bodies act together, in such a way that neither shall interfere with the work of the other, but that jointly they do that which shall best promote the interests of the cause of Christ.

"4. That there be maintained between the churches and ministers of the two denominations such a fellowship and mutual understanding that when members of a church of one body remove to a place where there is no church of their own, but is one of the other, they be encouraged to take letters to such church of the other body; and that if a minister of one body accept a call to the church of the other he shall not thereby impair his membership or good standing in his own body.

"The committee recommend the local or state associations or conferences in which delegates to the National Council or American Christian Convention are chosen, to authorize such delegates to act in a General Conference of Christian Churches, in case such a conference be advised by the National Council and by the American Christian Convention."

The action could be only recommendatory, but as such it was given sincerely.

It is to be said in behalf of the members of the committee representing the Congregationalists, that they gave every evidence of being devoutly Christian gentlemen, sincere in their desire to promote a genuinely Christian union, anxious most to advance the larger interests of the kingdom of Christ, ready to meet and act on a simply Christian platform without doctrinal or denominational compromises of any kind. At the same time they felt, as your committee also felt, that they could not guarantee that all their ecclesiastical body would be equally Christian and fraternal in their fellowship.

It will be noted that neither on the one side nor the other was there a disposition to commit the bodies they represented to any definite action. The recommendation was not to go before the public, as agreed to, at all till every member of both committees had been consulted, and the assent of a substantial majority obtained, and then nothing further could be done unless the assent and corresponding action of both national bodies was given to the measures.

In the nature of things, nothing further could be done by the committees, and since the report of agreement no official correspondence has been had. It has been reported in the papers, that the Congregational Committee has withdrawn from all further negotiations for reasons assigned, but your committee have received no such notice. One of the broadest minded members of their committee, we were informed, de-

clined to give his approval to the recommendations for reasons similar to those alleged for the withdrawal of correspondence.

This is the state of things at the present time. Nothing special is pending before us. It is, however, a matter of great gratitude and gratification that the spirit of associated action in one form or other is so strongly progressing. "Federations," as the word is now, on larger and smaller scales, are widely prevalent. In England, in the large cities of our own country, as well as in missionary fields, ministers and churches of different denominations are uniting for prudential and aggressive Christian work. This is done in the manner suggested in our own plan, without disturbing existing organizations and usages. Instead of weakening these organizations, it strengthens them by opening fields of wider activity. A fear that associated action, which is organized Christian union, will entangle or weaken the associated bodies, is a mistaken and suicidal fear. These movements are indeed local rather than denominational, but they are born of the right spirit, and are the entering wedge to better things. There is no cause therefore for discouragement.

We have always contended that, considering human weakness and the strength of sectarian prejudice, real Christian union must be of slow growth. It is neither to be forced nor fought. Only Christian life, Christian love, and Christian activity are the elements upon which it can thrive. Where these are wanting, and a little clamorous opposition is manifested, a paralysis is on all movements. One sinner is capable of destroying or preventing much good.

Moreover, union cannot be effected except on mutual acquaintance. Ignorance is the foster-parent of jealousy. We can love only those whom we in some way know. So Christian union may be promoted, though it can never be effected, by holding conventions in which Christians of different denominations meet.

Union will never come merely by negotiations. Only when souls are filled with the love of Christ, when the magnitude of the greater things of the gospel is seen to tower above the paltry interests of sect, is there a hopeful chance for true Christian union.

But the union of Christians is coming more and more, as truly as Christ is Christ and the gospel is gospel. To fight against it is to fight against God.

Your committee have nothing new to recommend. The position taken at Haverhill is justified both by Christian common sense and by experience. We need only to stand and to act firmly and consistently on that. Let our spirit and our conduct harmonize with our profession. Let us not talk union and show sectarianism, but let our hearts beat with love and fidelity to God and our own work. Let us neither rush inconsiderately into the arms of others nor shut our own against all fellowship. Love for the great cause demands that we be true to ourselves and faithful to our own responsibilities. God has given us a work: our first business is to attend to that. Let us at the same time have a clearer vision for the good we see in Christians than for their possible defects. Let us continue sincerely and practically to avow ourselves to be ready to unite in Christian work with any Christian or body of Christians who will work with us on simply Christian conditions for simply Christian ends.

Let us take our stand with Christ and abide with him, and we shall be in the line of his work.

\*Resolved, That the adoption by this convention of the report of the Commissioners on Christian union will not commit it to the adoption of the Craigville resolution therein contained. J. B. WESTON,

*Chairman.*

\*This resolution was not a part of the committee's report, but was presented by some brother while the question was pending and accepted by the committee.—J. B. W.

#### REPORT OF AUDITING COMMITTEE.

Your committee to audit the accounts of Martyn Summerbell, D.D., president of Correspondence College since the last quadrennial convention, have performed their duty and find the same properly kept, correctly cast, and properly vouched for.

Your committee to audit the accounts of Martyn

Summerbell, D. D., late Secretary of Education, have performed their duty and find the accounts properly kept and vouched for. There remains a balance in his possession of \$51.36, the major part of which has been received since this convention assembled, which under the direction of this convention is to be thus applied: first, the payment of a small bill outstanding, and the balance, by vote of this convention, is to be paid to the credit of Kansas Christian College.

#### REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON COMMUNICATIONS.

Your Committee on Communications have had placed in their hands papers as follows:

Resolutions of the Iowa State Christian Conference relating to the overture of the Congregationalists on the question of union.

Of the Spring River Conference of Missouri, touching the same subject.

From the New York Southern Conference, asking the convention to formulate a standard of fitness for ordination to the gospel ministry.

A paper from Brother A. R. Heath, of Indiana, containing resolutions concerning a congress of churches for the promotion of Christian union.

A paper from the Ohio Eastern Conference, recommending the *Herald of Gospel Liberty*, and approving the editor's course regarding the union question, and also congratulating the Publishing Association on its prosperity.

A communication from the Anti-Saloon League, asking for a representative from this body in their National Board of Directors and the appointment of ten delegates to attend the National Anti-Saloon Convention, to be held at Cleveland, Ohio, December, 1898.

Letters of greeting from the Assembly of God at Defiance, Ohio, and commending Rev. Dr. Latchaw as messenger to this convention.

From the General Conference of Free Baptists certifying the appointment of Rev. Dr. G. H. Ball as messenger from that body, and from the Upper Bay Congregational Conference of California with a letter from Rev. W. W. Smith, who was unable to attend in person.

Your committee recommends the appointment of a representative in the National Board of Directors in the Anti-Saloon League, and delegates to the convention to be held in Cleveland, Ohio, December, 1898.

We welcome with gladness the Brethren, Latchaw, Ball, and Smith, as messengers from the different denominations and churches which they represent, and hail with joy the increasing signs of a growing fraternity among God's people, and your committee recommend that the president name messengers to attend the Free Baptist Association and bodies represented in like manner to this convention.

We further recommend that the Rev. J. R. H. Latchaw, D. D., of Defiance College, Ohio, be recognized as a minister among us by having his name enrolled in our quadrennial book and church annual and that other ministers and churches similarly circumstanced be invited to do the same.

#### REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON PRESIDENT'S ADDRESS.

Your committee have carefully examined the report of the retiring president. We found in this excellent report seven recommendations which we have considered and referred to their proper committees.

1. A recommendation that the convention take action appreciative of the help of the Christian Publishing Association in extending the convention calls through the columns of the *Herald of Gospel Liberty*. This recommendation would naturally go to a Committee on Resolutions.

There being no such committee, we present the following resolution:

*Resolved*, That the thanks of this convention be given the Christian Publishing Association for the assistance rendered the convention by the use of the *Herald of Gospel Liberty* for issuing the convention calls.

2. The president presents a strong personal conviction that we should centralize our forces. We

would be glad to see our publishing interests, a college, Biblical Institute, and preparatory school all centered in one place. There being no special committee to consider this matter, we would report that while this centralization is something to be desired it is not expedient to undertake such a change during the present quadrennium.

3. A recommendation that the time of taking the Sunday-school collection be changed to May or October, was referred to the Sunday School Committee.

4. A recommendation that we do not enter new missionary fields until our treasury begins to feel the pressure of a largely increased freewill offering of the people, was referred to the Committee on Missions.

5. A recommendation touching the validity of our incorporation, and suggesting changes in our constitution, was referred to the Committee on Organization.

6. A recommendation that we adopt the apportionment plan for raising money as now used in the Rhode Island and Massachusetts Conference, was referred to the Committee on Apportionment.

7. A recommendation that we raise \$60,000 for benevolence in the next four years, was referred to the Committee on Apportionments.

#### REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON MEMOIRS.

This is the most solemn hour of this convention. We pause in our deliberations for a little time and commune with those who have crossed the threshold of that silent mansion we mortals call DEATH. We listen intently to the voices that are speaking to us so eloquently in their mute stillness. With our sight behind the eye we behold the faces and moving forms of our brothers and sisters whose presence in the material body was full of cheer and good will to those who knew them best. And now we who still abide on the earth side of this mystic river deumnate them our "deceased ministers." Who knows but we who are yet encased in matter should be enrolled as among the dead and dying, and those whose names are found in our necrology are the living ministry of all the ages to come? In the very fact that we memorialize their former relation and associations with us, coupled with every burning tear that has fallen upon their dead faces and every cry of anguish that has gone up from their open graves to the throne of the living God, do we behold a revelation of their immortality. He who is the Architect and Builder of the visible and invisible universe ordereth all things well. "Beauty might be born of chance, but only omniscience could have decreed the adoration it inspires. Hate might spring from the womb of chaos, but love must be the child of order. Pain might be begotten of monsters, but only infinite wisdom could have invented sorrow." The remembrance of our dead in their marvelous lives of self-sacrifice lies in the archives of the Church simply called Christian like the coral islands, green and sunny, amidst the melancholy waste of ocean. The great Hebrew Psalmist said, "The righteous shall be held in everlasting remembrance."

Those who are to be their successors in the great work they have left unfinished will never tire wandering through the broad domain of their earthly labors, seeking forget-me-nots to weave into garlands of unfading beauty in memory of all their heroic deeds. Let sculpture immortalize in its stately, painting in its pictures, and music in its harmonies all of our honored dead who lived, and toiled, and taught, and died in the belief that human thought, and speech, and conscience ought to be free. May their names be remembered as long as Christian love and liberty have a place in the hearts of men. Only let us live as though we were princes and sons of God, throned in the midst of the eternities, and we shall find blessings in the midst of our ashes. And look not merely for memories of our sorrows, but for visions of the victories that are still to come.

The following is the full roll of our deceased ministers who have passed from earth life since the convention at Haverhill, Massachusetts, four years ago:



Geo. Abbott, Indiana.  
 S. H. Adriance, New York.  
 O. P. Alderman, New York.  
 Joseph Amber, Indiana.  
 R. L. Amber, Indiana.  
 Wm. Andis, Missouri.  
 Wm. H. Armstrong, New York.  
 J. A. Ashe, North Carolina.  
 James Atkinson, Indiana.  
 Warren Barnes, Wisconsin.  
 John Beach, Illinois.  
 Charles A. Beck, New Jersey.  
 T. Black, North Carolina.  
 J. L. Blackman, Nebraska.  
 G. W. Brown, Virginia.  
 John Byrkit, Indiana.  
 John Cannon, Michigan.  
 John B. Chase, Pennsylvania.  
 S. J. Comer, Missouri.  
 Barton A. Cooper, Pennsylvania.  
 J. J. Copeland, Indiana.  
 Austin Damon, New York.  
 J. S. Hanger, Illinois.  
 Orin Davis, Vermont.  
 James S. Deming, Michigan.  
 Gilbert R. Denny, New York.  
 S. F. Dexter, New York.  
 E. T. Duckworth, Missouri.  
 G. W. Dunn, North Carolina.  
 H. M. Eaton, Massachusetts.  
 Ellis Martin, Kansas.  
 Z. M. Ellis, Iowa.  
 James Fahnestock, Ohio.  
 William Faunce, Massachusetts.  
 Jacob Felton, Ohio.  
 J. M. Ferguson, Iowa.  
 D. W. Fowler, Indiana.  
 S. Foy, North Carolina.  
 C. W. Garoutte, Ohio.  
 J. G. Greer, Indiana.  
 James M. Gunkel, Indiana.  
 Mattie Hagans, Kansas.  
 J. H. Haines, New Hampshire.  
 H. Lizzie Haley, Massachusetts.  
 Nathan Harlan, Iowa.  
 Jacob Hawk, Ohio.  
 Benjamin Haynes, New York.  
 David Heath, Ohio.  
 B. Henry, Pennsylvania.  
 J. T. House, Maine.  
 Nelson Hurd, Nebraska.  
 F. W. Hyman, North Carolina.  
 Prof. O. F. Ingoldsby, New York.  
 Levi Jenkins, Ohio.  
 Isaiah Jennings, Pennsylvania.  
 E. Jones, Indiana.  
 Jeannie M. Jones, Michigan.  
 J. A. Jones, North Carolina.  
 A. D. Kellison, Kansas.  
 A. J. Kibler, Pennsylvania.  
 Uzal Kimble, Indiana.  
 T. C. Kinney, Kansas.  
 Wm. J. Laine, Virginia.  
 C. B. Lamb, Iowa.  
 Stewart Lambert, West Virginia.  
 A. A. Lason, New York.  
 James Lowe, Ohio.  
 James Maple, Ohio.  
 A. H. Martin, New Hampshire.  
 E. Martindale, Kansas.  
 S. M. McBride, Indiana.  
 Wm. McFarland, Missouri.  
 J. B. Moomaw, Iowa.  
 I. Nathaniel, North Carolina.  
 J. L. Neese, Georgia.  
 John O'Laughlin, Iowa.  
 W. H. Orr, Ohio.  
 J. T. Palmer, New York.  
 C. F. Park, Ohio.  
 O. F. Phelps, Indiana.  
 J. L. Pierce, Massachusetts.  
 E. H. Plummer, New Jersey.  
 S. C. Post, Michigan.  
 Jonathan A. Pugh, Ohio.  
 Nathan Quick, Indiana.  
 Ezra Rackley, Illinois.  
 H. N. Richards, Michigan.  
 Jacob Rodenbaugh, Pennsylvania.

G. W. Sherman, Michigan.  
 H. A. Shiffer, New York.  
 N. H. Spencer, Indiana.  
 M. J. Stewart, Iowa.  
 S. M. Stone, Indiana.  
 G. W. Stovall, Illinois.  
 G. W. Strevell, New York.  
 B. F. Summerbell, New York.  
 F. Sutton, North Carolina.  
 Joseph Tate, Kansas.  
 James Tibbetts, Maine.  
 Z. Tyree, Kentucky.  
 Mattie Vandevere, Indiana.  
 E. N. Vermillion, Ohio.  
 J. C. Vinton, Iowa.  
 J. H. Voliva, Indiana.  
 Edwin R. Wade, New York.  
 Elda Wade, West Virginia.  
 John Wade, Illinois.  
 A. W. Waincott, Indiana.  
 W. T. Walker, Virginia.  
 Jacob Waymire, Kansas.  
 K. E. West, Indiana.  
 Asa Whiting, Maine.  
 W. S. Whiting, New York.  
 B. D. Whittemore, Vermont.  
 John Wilcox, Michigan.  
 H. Willis, Ohio.  
 John Wordon, New York.  
 John W. Young, Maine.  
 P. Zeigler, Pennsylvania.  
 W. J. Hnyek, New York.  
 G. W. Mefford, Ohio.

Beloved, among the number of our departed brothers and sisters are found names as familiar as household words to the readers of our denominational literature. Permit us to refer specially to some of them, and as we recall their names precious memories will be revived in many of your hearts. Charles A. Beck was for many years an earnest promoter of all our enterprises; John Byrkit, the "blind preacher" on earth, but whose vision shall forever remain undimmed in glory; John Cannon, the rugged pioneer of our cause in Michigan, a *cannon never spiked*; H. M. Eaton, whose pen was that of a "ready writer"; D. W. Fowler, the Christian giant by the Wabash; C. W. Garoutte, the fiery champion of all our Christian enterprises; J. J. Copeland, dying at his post, as a faithful soldier of the cross; Miss H. Lizzie Haley, the sweet-souled evangelist of a pure, free gospel; A. D. Kellison, the voice of one crying repentance over the prairies of the great West; A. A. Lason, the irrepressible servant of the Lord; James Maple, who never gave the gospel trumpet an uncertain sound; Geo. W. Sherman, whose self-sacrifice for Christian principles was never excelled by any; B. F. Summerbell, the Pierre Marquette of the Christians, in his devotedly pure life and untiring devotion to the cause he loved; Philip Zeigler, a man of iron nerve and steady movement for the right; Geo. Abbott, who enjoyed a debate with an ecclesiastical opponent better than food or sleep, and who never lost a battle; O. P. Alderman, who was a living epistle of the wonderful power of the gospel in saving men; last but not least, the tried and true Ingoldsby, whose name was so long connected with our Starkey, and who, like Simeon, willingly departed when he had seen the salvation of the Lord in the dedication of the church on the ground where he had labored so long. We might with equal propriety mention others in this roll as among the strong men and women of this century, but we speak only of those whom we have known in the long ago. And as we recall their names precious memories arise like sweet incense from God's altar, where they served. They were faithful watchmen; they toiled not in vain. They bore their burdens and carried their sorrow to the end, and have only made the fact more certain that—

"Others shall sing the song,  
 Others shall right the wrong;  
 Finish what they began,  
 And in all they failed to win.  
 What matter, we or they?  
 Ours, be another day,  
 So the right word be said  
 And life be sweeter made?"

*They and we* are a part of the universe in which God our Father is all in all. Let us thank him for the glory of being; let us thank him for the greater glory of becoming. Some day we shall hear the bidding of the angel of the unseen, and shall go down to our earthly sleep as our many beloved have already gone. Happy are we if the messenger finds us with our harness on. Living, or dying we are the Lord's, and therefore we fear not.

"So all our lives their fruitage yield,  
Which trees of healing only give,  
And, green-leaved in the eternal  
Field of God, forever live!"

#### REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON SUNDAY SCHOOLS.

*Resolved*, That we note with joy the improved condition of our Sunday-school literature under the efficient hand of Dr. J. P. Watson and his assistants, and that we recommend and urge the use of our own Sunday-school literature by all our schools.

*Resolved*, That we endorse and adopt the recommendations as offered by our Sunday-School Secretary, Dr. C. A. Tillinghast, which recommendations are as follows:

"1. That all the lines of work indicated above be continued. All of them are important, and it is difficult to tell upon which especial emphasis should be laid, but two or three of them are evidently receiving less attention than others. The Home Department work is very valuable. It is helpful for the school, and carries comfort and strength to an otherwise neglected class. It has not yet received, relatively, the attention it demands. I urge that especial effort be made to develop and sustain it.

"Christianity is essentially a missionary religion. It must give its life in order to save and enlarge it. The next century is to be the missionary century of its history. We must prepare ourselves for it. In order to do so, we must educate the coming generation to give for this specific purpose. The children must be reared in this habit. The Sunday school offers the only universal opportunity for it. Hence, I urge that more especial attention be given to this branch of Sunday-school education.

"2. That the Sunday-school Secretary be authorized to pay more liberally for the sustaining and developing of this department in the *Herald of Gospel Liberty*. The proper preparation of notes on a Sunday-school lesson involves as much work as the making of an average sermon, and we would not think of asking a man to prepare fifty-two sermons for what we are now paying for our lesson notes. We need also stirring articles on Sunday school topics, carefully prepared by those especially identified with this work. They should be so remunerated as to make it worth their while to do their best. Weekly notes on topics of current general interest should also be given. But whoever gives the requisite time for making such notes reliable and profitable must be paid for it. While the contributions of our schools are yet very small for this department, the balance now in the treasury and the increasing amount of these contributions make it possible to do more in these directions than has been done, and I feel confident that if good returns are shown for the little already given, it will be comparatively easy to get what we need. Good work is cheapest in the long run, however much it costs."

WHEREAS, Some of our Sunday schools recognize the necessity of helps on the Sunday-school lesson between the *Little Teacher* and the *Intermediate Quarterly* and have been obliged to supply that need from other publishing houses, therefore,

*Resolved*, 1. That this convention request that this need be supplied by our own Publishing House.

*Resolved*, 2. That our Publishing House should keep on sale even if they do not publish the necessary supplies for the Home Department work of the Sunday school.

*Resolved*, 3. That the annual collection from our Sunday schools authorized at Haverhill four years ago, be continued and that said collection be taken fourth Sunday in September of each year, which the Sunday shall be "Rally Sunday" in our schools.

We suggest to the Sunday-school Secretary the feasibility of developing Sunday-school institute work among our people after the manner of university extension work.

#### REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON Y. P. S. C. E.

The Committee on Y. P. S. C. E. hereby offer the following resolutions:

1. We recommend that the following uniform blank be used for all Endeavor reports:  
Report of \_\_\_\_\_ Y. P. S. C. E. for year ending \_\_\_\_\_.  
Date of organization, \_\_\_\_\_.  
Name and address of corresponding secretary, \_\_\_\_\_.

Number of members, \_\_\_\_\_ (active, \_\_\_\_\_,  
associate, \_\_\_\_\_,  
honorary, \_\_\_\_\_).

Contributions for missions, \_\_\_\_\_.

For local benevolences, \_\_\_\_\_.

For all other purposes, \_\_\_\_\_.

Have you a Junior Society? \_\_\_\_\_.

Name and address of superintendent, \_\_\_\_\_.

Number of members, \_\_\_\_\_.

Contributions for missions, \_\_\_\_\_.

For local benevolences, \_\_\_\_\_.

For all other purposes, \_\_\_\_\_.

Number of associate members converted, \_\_\_\_\_.

Number of members joining church, \_\_\_\_\_.

2. That the Secretary of the Y. P. S. C. E. Department of the convention, Rev. D. B. Atkinson, be our choice to represent our denomination on the Board of Trustees of the United Society of Christian Endeavor and that steps be taken to commend him to the proper authorities for election when a vacancy occurs.

3. We recommend and urgently request that all the Endeavor Societies throughout the entire denomination follow the example of the New England Convention and in a similar manner unite the societies into groups of one or more conferences or state associations and support missionaries in foreign lands.

4. We recommend that all Junior, Intermediate, and Senior Societies be urged to make regular and systematic contributions for foreign missions, not forgetting to assist Franklinton School and our special denominational interests.

5. We recommend that this convention concur with our retiring secretary, P. A. Canada, in the selection of a badge or denominational colors. Attach to a plain catch pin a plain white ribbon one and one-fourth inches wide and four inches long; attached to this is a celluloid pendant, on one side a picture of an open Bible and motto, "Our Only Creed"; on the other side a hemisphere, the Christian Endeavor monogram and motto, "Our Fellowship World-wide."

#### REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON FINANCE.

We, your Committee on Finance, find only one item before us, which is the \$200.00 borrowed of Rev. N. Del Reynolds four years ago by direction of this convention. As Brother McReynolds wants the money, we unanimously recommend that this convention authorize the Executive Committee to borrow said amount and cancel this note.

#### REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON APPORTIONMENT.

Your committee report as follows:

We recommend that we raise for use in our convention work during the next four years, \$50,000, agreeably with the recommendation of the president in his report, ten per cent. of which may be used for convention expenses, twenty per cent. for education and thirty-five per cent. each for home and foreign missions.

We also recommend that the Executive Board of the convention apportion this sum to the various conferences on the basis of \$15,000 annually, requesting each conference board to apportion the sum desired to the churches of the conference. In case conference boards do not thus cooperate with the Convention Board we recommend that the Executive Board of the convention itself, or through its Secretary make such apportionment and adopt such means as the wisdom of the board shall suggest for its collection.

We recommend that, as far as possible, the work be done through conference boards, and that all monies so raised be forwarded to the Secretary through the conference treasurer.

We urge this as a means of developing the activity of our conferences, as well as a means of saving much clerical work of the general secretary.

We further recommend that, after the convention collection this year, the money for paying convention expenses be asked of the conferences direct, and so reduce the number of our regular collections by one, if in the wisdom of the board it can be done.

In sending out the calls of the Convention we recommend that, in those conferences which adopt the plan proposed, the calls be distributed through the agency of the conference clerks, while in all other cases the usual course is to be pursued.

#### REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON ORGANIZATION.

WHEREAS, The question of articles of incorporation and amendments to the constitution and by-laws involve many legal questions and require caution and accurate procedure greater than now possible at this session, therefore, your Committee on Organization do unanimously recommend that the convention appoint a standing Committee on Organization to serve four years, and to have full power to investigate and to prepare all necessary papers and recommendations and to report to the next assembling of the American Christian Convention. The above was amended so as to make the Executive Committee the Committee on Organization.

#### ORDINATION OF MINISTERS.

[NOTE: Received too late to be inserted in the minutes.—EDITOR.]

“Rev. D. W. Moore offered a resolution concerning the qualification of the minister, which was referred to the Committee on Organization.”

WHEREAS, It is desirable and important that persons ordained to the Christian ministry should be of unexceptionable life and character, together with sufficient ability, education, and experience; and

WHEREAS, There should be more uniformity of requirement in the whole denomination as to the qualifications for ordination; and

WHEREAS, It is not the prerogative of any conference or sisterhood of conferences in any one State or section to furnish security of universal application; therefore,

*Resolved*, By this convention assembled that we request, and that it be the duty of every church and conference under the jurisdiction of this body to cooperate in an effort to protect ourselves from the intrusion of unworthy or unqualified persons seeking ordination. And to this end we submit that no church or conference, minister or ministers, should ordain any one to the gospel ministry unless such person shall come bearing the clear and unquestionable indorsement and recommendation of the church, or churches, and of the conference within which he has labored, and that the candidate must give satisfactory evidence of good habit and clean life, and of his ability, education, and adaptability for the work, by at least one year's actual experience in preaching and pastoral work. Also, that all our conferences should obey the scriptural injunction, “Lay hands suddenly on no man,” but be more careful and particular as to the ordination of men and women than many of them have heretofore been. We would deem it a breach of courtesy, propriety, if not of honesty, to ordain any person who has been refused ordination by any sister church or conference without first being clearly informed as to the reasons for said refusal, and to be well satisfied that those reasons have been removed or are not sufficient. We would endeavor to raise the standard of qualification for ordination as our own people, and all the people, advance in education, culture, and refinement, just as the qualification for teachers and all other occupations are raised.

Ordination by any conference, church, or ministers of the denomination contrary to the standard or spirit of the above resolution shall not be recognized by this body or in the Christians' Annual.

#### EDUCATION.

Your Committee on Education beg leave to submit the following:

WHEREAS, A closer sympathy between the schools of our denomination and the Educational Department is deemed necessary, we recommend that a fund be created, enabling the Secretary for Education to visit and inspect every one of our institutions for consultation with the presidents and their faculties at least twice during each quadrennium; and,

WHEREAS, Recognizing with gratification the meritorious work being accomplished in our Biblical Institute as evidenced by the excellent standard of graduates sent forth into the Master's vineyard, yet, in order that adequate provision may be made that important branches may be taught which are included in the courses of study of theological seminaries of other denominations, and which has not yet been provided for by our school on account of the lack of instructors, causes unfavorable comparisons to be made, we recommend that the teaching force be increased as soon as practicable until adequate to meet the demand; and,

WHEREAS, Many deserving young men of acknowledged ability belonging to our denomination who are financially unable to bear the expenses of a thorough training for the ministry unaided are being drawn away from us every year, and entering schools of other denominations where aid is provided, we recommend that a fund be created to be used by the Secretary for Education for the purpose of aiding in the education of worthy young men and women who give evidence of being called to the sacred work of the ministry, and recommended by the conferences to which the applicants belong.

WHEREAS, It is advisable that the various conferences should adopt a uniform standard of education; and,

WHEREAS, The Christian Correspondence College can supply the educational needs better than these local conferences; therefore,

*Resolved*, That we request the local conferences to require applicants for ordination to complete the work of the Christian Correspondence College, or its equivalent, before granting ordination.

WHEREAS, Five of the delegates to this convention are trustees of Antioch College; and,

WHEREAS, Owing to a misunderstanding of the facts, a resolution passed at Haverhill Convention, refusing to recognize Antioch College for participation in the educational collection, we recommend that Antioch College be restored to its former rights and place.

#### REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON MORAL REFORM.

Since the pure and holy relations of life and the code of Christian ethics are violated and trampled upon by reason of numberless abuses and unholy practices, we your committee ask you to consider the following suggested lines of reform.

1. A pure ministry whose lives and actions are a constant condemnation of unholy relations in the marriage bond.

2. Whose example is a standing rebuke to selfish greed and carnal indulgence.

3. Whose civil relations and actions condemn political demagogues and all complicity of state and individual in the liquor traffic.

4. Whose pulpit ministrations tend continually to enlighten the mind, arouse the conscience, convince the reason and convict the heart upon the three great questions of righteousness, temperance, and a judgment to come.

5. That as a people we strive with unwearied patience and untiring energy for the emancipation of the home, the destruction of the saloon and for the obliteration of its twin sister, the house of prostitution.

Further, since the United States has shown its love of humanity and sense of justice in responding so enthusiastically to the President's call for volunteers, and since many of these have gone from homes of sweetness and sobriety, who were the joy, pride, and hope of their fathers and mothers, and since by the shamefully wicked system of canteens, sanctioned by the Chief Magistrate of the United

States, which subjects these youths to temptations almost unbearable, therefore.

*Resolved*, That this convention memorialize the President, containing a petition requesting him to banish the canteen from the army.

Further, we urge the earnest condemnation of the popular form of gambling known in business circles as "dealing in futures," not only as an unwise business method, but unholy and unbecoming in a Christian people.

We also commend the earnest efforts of the Canadian people in striving to rid the dominion of the liquor curse.

Further, we unhesitatingly condemn the so-called "license system."

Further, we recommend that the committee chosen to represent our convention in the convention of the Anti-Saloon League be a Quadrennial Committee to represent us in like gatherings.

### The Sunday-School Department of the Herald of Gospel Liberty.

The topic upon which I am to speak is one suggested by myself for various reasons which have occurred to me in considering the interests of our denomination. What I shall say is not in criticism, but in the nature of suggestions which seem to me a forward movement, and are offered for what they are worth. And I shall pursue my theme along two lines.

It is impossible to make the Sunday-school department in the *Herald of Gospel Liberty* meet all the requirements of Sunday-school helps; yet it seems to me that if the space be devoted to helps, they should be as adequate as possible and more inclusive than at present. I recognize the fact that more matter would require more space; but if there be readers of the *Herald* who depend on that paper for lesson helps, then the paper serves a good purpose, and more space could profitably be devoted to the Sunday-school department. Therefore, to meet the general needs of our constituency, at least three kinds of matter might enter into the department under consideration: (1) A more or less thorough commentary on the Sunday-school lesson. This would not be critical, but intended for the general reader; not elementary, but for Christians of average experience and Biblical knowledge. There are commentaries and commentaries, some displays of exegetical skill, some soul-searching and spiritual, some linguistic, and some homiletical. The commentary required has already been suggested. (2) Then a few paragraphs might be profitably occupied with suggestions applying the lesson teachings. Applications are of many kinds; the suggestive variety is in some respects preferable, as they set folks to thinking,—an end by all means to be sought. Applications may be whittled to a point, and thus less effective than if they were somewhat blunt. (3) It seems that mention should also be made of points to be looked up regarding history and biography, with suggestions as to where information can be found, if the sources be no more than a general history and a dictionary. This is absolutely necessary for anything like a correct setting of the lesson with the local color and personality. Some one will say, "The teacher ought to furnish this." But for general readers this information will serve an important end.

Now, we may have all this in an ordinary lesson commentary; but I suggest that if the three kinds be separated, each will be more attractive and easily followed and mastered. A further suggestion would be that each kind of matter come from the pen of a different person, thus adding variety and making it possible to choose persons fitted for each variety. For example, the commentator's work needs thorough acquaintance with the Word, the applications need knowledge of human nature and homiletical skill, and the reference points require a fair knowledge of books and funds of information.

Doubtless this would require more space in the *Herald*, which is not at all to be deplored. Then an additional outlay of money must follow, and that is not an unmitigated evil, inasmuch as it enlists more and greater variety of talent, adds authority,

piquancy, and interest. Although the *Herald's* constituency might not appreciate the change at once (I can hardly think this concession true), yet it would very soon be educated to it, and the more value the readers find in the *Herald* columns, the more willing they will be to subscribe. The tendency would be to enlarge the subscription list. Of course there would be a limit to such expenditure and its advantages, and this paper does not contemplate three or four salaries for the Sunday-school department.

The three kinds of matter before mentioned would fairly suffice for information and practical living; but see how much has been left out: Biblical references, critical commentary, illustrations, all question of methods, all special aids and suggestions for officers and teachers, inspiring denominational Sunday-school news, and general Sunday-school information.

But now for the other line. Ask yourselves this question, "For what do we most need a Sunday-school department in the *Herald*?" or the kindred question, "What end can the Sunday-school department in the *Herald* best serve?" In view of the fact that we have good Sunday-school literature covering the ground usually occupied by this department of the *Herald*, giving full helps for a study of the lesson; in view of the fact that similar literature is published by other denominations and individuals; in view of the fact that such helps are within reach of all who have a few cents a year to spend—in view of these facts, is there any need of the Sunday-school department of the *Herald* as a means of publishing lesson comments? Can we think that these comments, excellent as they are, in any wise supplement the regular Sunday-school publications? Were it not for sake of variety and employment of other talent, economy would seem to ask, "Why not publish the comments taken bodily from the quarterlies, if the chief aim of the Sunday-school department is to furnish comments?" The logic of placing the secretary of the Sunday-school department of the American Christian Convention in charge of the Sunday-school column of the *Herald* seems to be lost, if the chief aim of that column be to furnish aids to lesson study.

But remembering that the Sunday-school Secretary of the American Christian Convention has charge of the Sunday-school interests of the denomination, that he is in touch with the conference Sunday-school secretaries and his department assistants in each conference, we see that the logic of the situation would require that the department head, who is also at the head of the Sunday-school department of the *Herald*, should use his space for other purposes than the lesson commentary. I know nothing about how the space came to be used as it is at the present time. No doubt many readers use the column and enjoy it as it is at present filled; but inasmuch as they are otherwise provided for, and certain other interests have no hearing, the lesser good ought to be sacrificed to the greater.

I suggest that the following matters might profitably find place in the *Herald* column: Daily Bible readings in connection with the Sunday-school lesson, standing possibly at the head of the column. New methods of teaching. Ways of working with the Sunday school class. Suggestions to the different officers concerning the conduct of their duties. This would include general and concert exercises for classes and schools. We have no publication which presents such things. I do not know how generally the *Sunday-School Times* or similar publications are patronized by our people, nor how many normal classes there are in our schools, which might get something of methods out of normal courses; hence, I do not emphasize publication in the *Herald* of daily readings or teaching methods, but I do emphasize suggestions to officers and teachers, especially as they might come right from schools where they are in actual use. By reporting their new and successful ventures, schools could both help and stimulate others. As Sunday-School Secretary for New England, I asked schools to report any successful enterprise undertaken during the year. One school reported a system of double collection and two superintendents for the Home Department. Another reported the use of the "Roll

of Honor," a certificate for six months' perfect record, and a prize for three certificates, also use of a birthday box and "mission bells." Another school paid for the transportation of members living too far away to walk and too poor to pay for rides. One school spoke of changes in order of exercises. One takes up mission collections by classes. Any methods used in smaller country schools with success would be noteworthy and helpful in other small country schools. The real Sunday-school problem is in the country.

By this means we could keep our schools in touch with each other,—something almost unknown among us now in certain conferences,—and we would also have a medium for the presentation of anything concerning our schools throughout the denomination. I would also include in this column cheering and inspiring news from our schools relative to growth, benevolences, revivals, entertainments; and lastly, I would include general Sunday-school information, gathered, if possible, from the whole field—the world.

All these different kinds of matter need not be expected every week; indeed, it might happen that some weeks items from denominational schools would fill the space, or again methods and services to be tried. And I doubt not that this convention, through the department secretary, could most profitably use the *Herald* in ways I have not thought of.

I am not sure that this indicated change is feasible, or that it is new to the *Herald*; but it seems so to me. If it be an innovation, it will undoubtedly meet with opposition, though it be good. But the suggestion is made with the idea of helping the denomination's schools at large in a different way from what the lesson commentary now helps.

Let us grant that the department space thus filled from week to week will cost more time, labor, and money; that the equipment for supplying matter as indicated would cost more; that the denominational news would be hard to glean because of the indifference or forgetfulness of people; yet the scheme seems to me worthy of trial. Such a man as Dr. Tillinghast, well acquainted with the brethren at large, an influential man, might accomplish much for the denomination by the scheme. News from the schools could be gathered largely by circulars sent out to conference secretaries, or through them or the department assistants provided for by the constitution of the American Christian Convention. The head of the department should have liberty to enlist the services of a few competent men, at a cost not to exceed a fixed sum.

I expect an objection to be offered like this: That the *Herald* is not on a self-supporting basis, and cannot be allowed to further trench upon the Christian Publishing Association funds. To which I would answer, that I think the whole matter must be looked at from an ordinary business standpoint. Denominational loyalty will not overwhelm the subscription agent with subscriptions at present, nor burden the treasury. I remember that only recently an excellent religious periodical had to suspend because of lack of financial support, and too large expenditure to make the periodical first-class. I do not advise large outlay. But this much is evident: that people do pay for what they want and for what gives them their money's worth, themselves being judges. Every subscriber now gets from ten to a hundred times his \$1.50, even though he does not see it. But the paper must be made indispensable to everybody, a source of inspiration, and a great bolster of the denomination.

To that end two suggestions have here been offered. Which is better or whether either is worthy, remains for you to say. It is possible that a combination of the two would accomplish more than either alone. Being uncertain as to the fact, I have spoken under the impression that the Christian Publishing Association has the chief voice in determining the amount of space and nature of the matter devoted to the Sunday-school column of the *Herald*.

I merely hope that my works may justify my claim to loyalty to the Christians, and intensify interest in their prosperity, strengthening and numerical increase. None but that motive has moved me to speak to you as I have.

M. T. MORRILL.

## Duty of the Citizen.

But what is duty? It is that which a man is, by any legal, moral, or natural obligation, bound to do, or refrain from doing. And what do you mean by a citizen? He may or may not be a voter. Citizens, in the United States, are those of all ages and sexes born in the United States, and subject to the jurisdiction thereof, and aliens naturalized. Children take the citizenship of their parents. Naturalization and the right to vote are two separate matters. Naturalized citizens may be elected or appointed to any office under the Constitution of the United States, except the offices of President and Vice-President.

President Low, of Columbia University, in discussing municipal law, used the following language: "Any European student of politics who wishes to understand the problem of government in the United States, whether of city government, or any other form of it, must first of all transfer himself, if he can, to a point of view precisely the opposite of that which is natural to him. This is scarcely, if at all, less true of the English than of the continental student. In England, as upon the continent, from time immemorial government has descended from the top down. In the United States, however, that idea does not obtain at all, and what is of scarcely less importance, it never has obtained. No distinction is recognized of governing and governed classes."

According to Blackstone and Coke, a citizen is an inhabitant of a city. A city in England is ordinarily regarded as an incorporated town or borough which is or has been the see of a bishop. Since the revolution in Scotland such cities as Glasgow and Aberdeen have had no bishops.

Here in Canada you have a federal constitution. It is contained in the British North America act of 1867, a statute of the British Parliament. The federal or Dominion government is conducted on the cabinet system of England. The ministry sit in Parliament and hold office at the pleasure of the House of Commons. Your excellent Governor-General is executive, similar to that of the crown of Great Britain, acting on the advice of wise and responsible ministers. Your Governor-General can dissolve your Parliament. Your upper house corresponds somewhat to the United States Senate, only that the members are nominated by the Governor-General or the ministry for life. The members of your House of Commons are elected for five years, and the members of our lower house for two. Both of your houses are exactly like ours in one respect—they both receive salaries. In England it is not so. Again, your Governor-General has the veto power, but he rarely uses it. Our Presidents have the veto power, and some of them have vetoed more bills than all the kings and queens of England since the time of William the Conqueror. Your judges, both federal and provincial, are appointed by the Crown through the ministry. Our federal judges are appointed by the President and confirmed by the Senate. Our State judges are usually elected. The Supreme Court of the United States can set aside an act of our Congress. The Supreme Court of Great Britain cannot set aside an act of Parliament. The Constitution of the United States may be amended by the people. There exists no power of amending the provincial Constitution in Canada, by popular vote, similar to that which the people of the several states exercise in the United States.

We may briefly notice some things in regard to temperance. This is a hackneyed subject. The civil or ecclesiastical law has been invoked for thousands of years to check or prohibit the traffic in intoxicants. In 1100 B.C. the Chinese put forth an imperial edict that those who drank wine should be put to death. According to the laws of the Romans, women were not allowed to drink wines of any kind. England placed heavy taxes upon liquor selling and distilling many years ago. Liquor laws in the United States began in colonial days, as early as 1645. Rum was first distilled in the United States, in Boston, 1700. A few years later they began to distil whisky in Pennsylvania. The liquor traffic became such an evil that the Continental Congress in 1777 passed a resolution recommending that the

several states pass laws prohibiting the distillation of grain, but the states did not act upon the recommendation. The people of all sections watched with deep interest the result of the recent election in Canada. Most of the states in North America now have some kind of restrictive laws. Why do they not all have absolute prohibition? Perhaps it is because they are not sufficiently civilized and Christianized. Lord Bacon said, "The best law for any people is the law which the moral and religious sentiment of the people will enforce."

It is the duty of every citizen to take a deep interest in the cause of temperance; yes, in every enterprise having for its object the relief of suffering or the promotion of knowledge and virtue among mankind. If wars cannot be wholly dispensed with in the present condition of the world, Christian citizens everywhere should do what they can to spread the kingdom of peace, and dissipate false ideas of national glory by enlightening and elevating the minds of the people. The kingdom of Christ is growing. Wars must of necessity become less and less frequent, as well as less cruel, until the angel chant of Bethlehem shall at last be echoed back from earth. "Glory to God in the highest, and on earth, peace good will toward men."

The duty of the citizen, old or young, to abstain from all intoxicants as a beverage, may be argued on three grounds: First, scriptural; second, physiological; and third, social. First, scriptural. I take it for granted that no one seriously doubts that the Bible teaches temperance, unless it be some one who pretends to believe that Christ and his apostles sanctioned wine that "maketh red the eyes," that "brieth like a serpent and stingeth like an adder," that "deceiveth," that "maketh drunken."

In the second place, when we look at the subject from the physiological standpoint, we find that insanity, organic and chronic disorders result from intoxication. Thousands and tens of thousands of diseased children have these things transmitted to them by drunken parents and ancestors.

From the third, or social standpoint, everybody knows that the army of drunkards draws its recruits continually from the moderate drinkers. If a man feels that he can use intoxicants with safety to himself, he owes a duty to practice self-denial for the sake of his neighbor.

It is no longer disputed that soldiers or sailors, either in the arctic or tropical regions, can do their work better and live longer and happier, when they abstain from intoxicants.

Work and pray for the triumph of every good cause. But do not fall into the error of saying that a cause is lost simply because its advocates have been defeated and slain. Guizot tells us that "it is only after an unknown number of unrecorded labors, after a host of noble hearts have succumbed in discouragement,—convinced that the cause is lost—it is then only that the cause triumphs." Often have I read these noble words of Alfred Vaughn: "How I love to find examples of the consoling truth that no well-meant effort for God and man can ever die! That the relics of vanished, vanquished endeavors are gathered up and conserved, and by the spiritual chemistry of Providence are transformed into a new life in a new age."

In studying the duties of a citizen in a broad sense, we are led to consider international law. After reading Vattel, the Swiss jurist, on the "Law of Nations," Grotius, the Dutch jurist, Proudhon, the French lawyer, Putendorf, the German, and Blackstone, the great English jurist, we are impressed with the fact that, before the coming of Christ, the nations had certain international laws, but they were all partial, and were never constituted into a science. To-day Christian states are the controllers of opinion among men. Theodore Dwight Woolsey, of Yale University, defined international law (on Page 3, Section 5 of his great work on that subject) in these words: "We define international law to be the aggregate of the rules which Christian States acknowledge as obligatory in their relations to each other, and to each other's subjects." Again on Page 27 he says: "As soon as a nation has assumed the obligation of international law, they become a portion of the law of the land to govern

the decisions of courts, the conduct of the rulers, and that of the citizen." It is the duty of every citizen of the United States to obey the international law which Christian States acknowledge as obligatory. And turn to First Kent, Lecture 1. "It is," says Blackstone, "adopted in its full extent by the laws of England; and whenever any question arises which is properly subject to its jurisdiction, it is held to be a part of the law of the land." Thus we see that the fellowship of nations is already recognized. It is a good thing for you to say, I am a citizen of Newmarket; it is a little better to say, I am a citizen of Canada; a little better to say, I am a citizen of Great Britain, or an American citizen; it is still better to say, I am a citizen of Christendom; but the highest ideal of a citizen is to be a true follower of Christ and a citizen of the universe.

Citizen is spoken of in the New Testament three or four times. Luke says that the younger son of a certain man "joined himself to a citizen." When Paul was rescued by Claudius Lysias, he said, "I am a man which am a Jew of Tarsus, a city in Cilicia, a citizen of no mean city." In his letter to the Ephesians the church is compared to a city, and every converted sinner is free. Again, the church is compared to a building. The apostles and prophets are spoken of as the foundation, but in a secondary sense, because Christ himself is the primary foundation. Of all believers united to Christ by faith, Paul says, they "are no more strangers and foreigners, but fellow citizens with the saints, and of the household of God." This is the foundation of all true citizenship, of all true fellowship, of all true Christian union. "Fundamental is a metaphor," says Worcester, quoting Granville, "taken from the foundation of a building, upon which the fabric is erected, and without which it cannot stand."

We say the Bible is our creed, but no two translations are alike. Would it not be better to teach every citizen of the household of faith that Christ is our creed, since he is the same forever? Christ existed before the church, and hence neither the church nor the unity of the church is fundamental to his existence. He could stand without the church, but without Christ the church could not stand. Some good citizens contend that the church is infallible. They are in error. Other good citizens contend for an infallible book. They, too, are in error. There is nothing infallible but deity. The church, composed of all believers, "groweth unto a holy temple of the Lord." It is not a finished building. Adam Clarke says, "It shall be more and more perfect till the day of judgment." Now, it is constantly increasing, as new converts come in. Every Christian should believe in sanctification, and work and pray to be sanctified, but no Christian, dwelling in a corruptible body, is as good as Jesus Christ. If he were, he would have to stop growing in grace, or he might become better than the Redeemer.

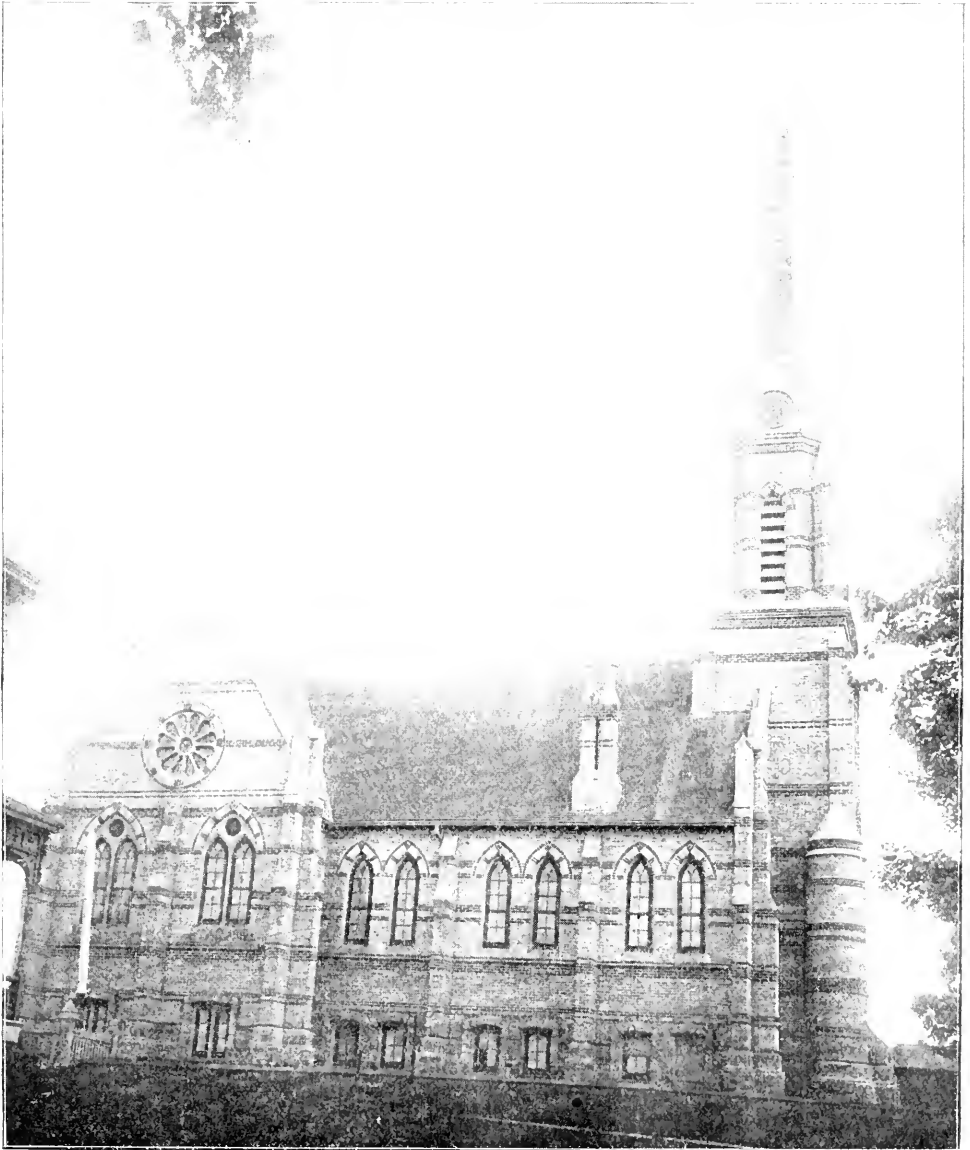
Among other duties of a good citizen, I mention that of promoting comity among all nations. Pardon me in conclusion, if I refer especially to two great nations and two great citizens.

The Union Jack and the Star Spangled Banner are twined together. The United States forms the grandest republic that ever loomed up the horizon of this world. The Chief Executive is a soldier, state-man, and orator; a plain man of the people. His face and manner disarm suspicion, inspire confidence, and confirm good will; a man without vices; a worthy successor of such Anglo Saxons as Washington, Jefferson, Jackson, Lincoln, and Grant. He lifted his voice in the cause of humanity. The sons of Federal and Confederate, like a rushing stream, united in writing "Humanity" across the broad folds of Old Glory. While some have predicted that government of, for, and by the people was only an experiment, and would soon perish from the face of the earth, the nations now see that American citizenship has come to stay, and they will behold, not only on this continent, but from the oppressed islands of the sea, rising star after star, increasing brilliancy in the sky of American glory where once all was dark. Long live William McKinley! The United States, one and inseparable, now and forever!

It cannot be said that any one can exaggerate the worth of a noble citizen who presides over the destinies of millions of free people. There is a household name, known and honored throughout Christendom. Called as a pilot to the helm at a tender age, her endurance and magnanimity have been sorely tried, and never found wanting. By her humanity, even temper, fertile counsel, long reign and purity of life, she stands the most heroic figure

in the centre of the most heroic century of all the ages. Her name and reign will remain one of the greatest that history has to inscribe on its annals, not because her capital was the banking house of the world and her navy held the trident of the seas, but because she will stand out in the traditions of her country and all the world as an incarnation of the people. Long live Queen Victoria! Long live the British Empire!

D. A. LONG.



THE NEWMARKET CHRISTIAN CHURCH.

## MINUTES OF THE CHRISTIAN PUBLISHING ASSOCIATION.

By the Secretary, REV. HENRY CRAMPTON.

The Christian Publishing Association met in the Christian Church at Newmarket, Ontario, October 13, 1898, at 2:30 p. m., with President Newhouse in the chair. After a song, Rev. D. W. Moore offered prayer. The president then read an address, after which the report of the trustees was read by the secretary. On motion, voted to excuse the treasurer from reading his report, as copies of it were distributed among the members of the Association. The reports of the trustees and treasurer were adopted.

On motion, voted to proceed to the election of officers after the report of Dr. J. P. Watson, editor of the Sunday-school literature, in the following order, namely: President, secretary, editor of the *Herald of Gospel Liberty*, editor of the Sunday-school literature, seven trustees, treasurer. Dr. Watson then read his report. Rev. S. S. Newhouse and Rev. W. D. Samuel were placed in nomination for president. A ballot was taken, resulting as follows: S. S. Newhouse, 91 votes; W. D. Samuel, 188 votes. Mr. Samuel was declared elected president for the ensuing four years, and his election was made unanimous. President Samuel took the chair. The ballot for secretary resulted in the election of Rev. Henry Crampton, he receiving 195 votes. Rev. J. J. Summerbell and Rev. A. H. Morrill were nominated for the office of editor of the *Herald of Gospel Liberty*. After remarks by several brethren, the time for adjournment having arrived, the Association adjourned.

The Association met at 8:50 a. m., October 14, with President Samuel in the chair. The minutes of the preceding session were read, corrected, and approved. The Association then proceeded to the election of editor of the *Herald of Gospel Liberty*. The name of A. H. Morrill was withdrawn. A ballot was taken, and J. J. Summerbell, D. D., received 198 votes out of a total of 224 votes and was elected. He accepted the office of editor. Rev. J. P. Watson was elected editor of the Sunday-school literature. The following trustees were elected by ballot: Orlando W. Whitlock, John N. Dales, Alva H. Morrill, William C. Rumer, George D. Lawrence, Thomas M. McWhinney, and David M. Helfinstine. Morgan O. Adams was re-elected treasurer. Rev. B. S. Batchelor was elected vice-president. Adjournment.

October 15 the Association met at 3:10 p. m., President Samuel in the chair. Dr. T. M. McWhinney offered the following, which, amended by adding his name as the second member of the committee, was unanimously adopted:

"WHEREAS, It was deemed wise by certain of our people to organize at Yellow Springs, Ohio, a 'Christian Educational Society,' charged with the duty of soliciting money and students for Antioch College; and

"WHEREAS, Certain of our brethren, after earnest solicitation, accepted positions as members of said society, to serve at their own cost and without pay; and

"WHEREAS, At the end of several years, said society, for certain reasons, disbanded at a time when a debt of over \$1,500 was due Dr. D. A. Long, president of Antioch College, for money which he had advanced to carry on the work of the institution; and

"WHEREAS, This disbandment made it next to impossible for Dr. Long to receive his dues from the general brotherhood, he therefore proceeded to collect his claim from certain individual brethren who had been members of said society; and,

"WHEREAS, Said certain brethren had gone into said Christian Educational Society for the praiseworthy end of helping forward the blessed cause of our beloved Zion, without money and without price; and

"WHEREAS, Dr. D. A. Long, as yet, has not received the full pay to which he is entitled; and

"WHEREAS, Simple justice, founded on the Golden Rule, demands that we bear each other's burdens, and so fulfill the law of Christ; and

"WHEREAS, The surplus fund now in the treasury of the Christian Publishing Association is for the sole purpose of carrying out the ends of justice along lines of Christian benevolence, and for this reason alone it is free from taxation under the laws of Ohio; now, therefore,

"Resolved, That the treasurer of said fund, M. O. Adams, be, and is hereby authorized to pay to Dr. D. A. Long the remnant of his claim in full, and to reimburse those said brethren who had been members of said society for the full amount of money they have paid.

"Resolved, That the details of settlement with the aforesaid brethren be committed to the hands of a committee of two, of which our treasurer, M. O. Adams, shall be one, and T. M. McWhinney the other."

The Association then adjourned.

A. H. MORRILL, Secretary.

Monday, 2:00 p. m. Association called to order by the president, and, after song, prayer was offered by Rev. W. T. Warbinton. The minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved. The following resolutions were adopted:

"Resolved, That what recommend to the trustees that all matter for the *Herald of Gospel Liberty* be placed in the hands of the editor of the *Herald of Gospel Liberty* before being given to the printer, and that the editor be held responsible for editing all matters placed in his hands for publication.

"WHEREAS, Rev. D. M. Helfinstine, as president of Palmer College, has labored faithfully to sustain the cause committed to his care at very great financial loss; therefore,

"Resolved, That the Christian Publishing Association appropriate the sum of \$500 for his relief, and instruct the treasurer to pay that sum to the order of said D. M. Helfinstine.

"Resolved, That the sum of \$2,000 be placed at the disposal of the board of trustees and the Executive Board of the American Christian Convention for denominational work, to be paid out only on their joint order.

"WHEREAS, The attitude of the Christian Publishing Association toward the publications representing special or local interests among us, such as the *Christian Sun*, the *Christian Missionary*, the *Christian Vanguard*, and others, should be clearly understood; therefore,

"Resolved, That whenever local or special interests demand, we favor the establishment and maintenance of publications representing them, and regard these as in no sense rivals of our general publications.

"Resolved, That we direct the officers of this Association to cooperate with all such publications as are approved by the American Christian Convention, by offering club rates, by mutual advertising, or by any means which may best secure the interests represented.

"Resolved, That this Association undertake the publication of the *Christian Missionary*, if suitable arrangements can be made with the Missionary Department of the American Christian Convention.

"Resolved, That the treasurer of the Christian Publishing Association be instructed to pay the expense of printing the reports of the secretaries of the American Christian Convention, when the bills for the same have been audited.

"Resolved, That the treasurer of the Christian Publishing Association loan to the American Christian Convention any sum not to exceed \$300, at a rate of interest not to exceed 3 per cent.

Moved that \$500 be appropriated to Franklinton College for the coming four years. Carried.

Moved that the request made by Rev. Elias Jones, for Sunday-school literature for use in Elmira, New York, be referred to the trustees. Carried.

Adjourned. HENRY CRAMPTON, Secretary.

#### Certificate.

This is to certify that at the regular meeting of the Christian Publishing Association held at Newmarket, Ontario, October 14, 1898, the following persons were duly elected according to the requirements of the Constitution:

Wilson D. Samuel, Covington, Ohio, president and trustee.

Henry Crampton, Richmond, Ind., secretary and trustee.



Orlando W. Whitelock, Huntington, Ind., trustee.  
 John N. Daies, Kingston, Ont., trustee.  
 Alva H. Morrill, Providence, R. I., trustee.  
 George D. Lawrence, Urbana, Ill., trustee.  
 William C. Rimer, Columbus Grove, Ohio, trustee.  
 David M. Helfinstine, LeGrand, Iowa, trustee.  
 Thomas M. McWhinney, Franklin, Ohio, trustee.  
 Morgan O. Adams, Yellow Springs, Ohio, treasurer.

ALVA H. MORRILL,  
*Secretary Christian Publishing Association.*

NEW MARKET, ONTARIO, October 15, 1895.

I, Thomas Hiram Lloyd, a Notary Public for the Province of Ontario, do hereby certify that the above-named officers and trustees (except Morgan O. Adams) have been duly sworn by me, this fifteenth day of October, A. D. 1895, to properly discharge the duties of the office to which they were duly elected by the Christian Publishing Association.

[SEAL.] T. H. LLOYD, *Notary Public.*

### Report of the Trustees.

THE trustees herewith present their report covering the four years of their administration, agreeable with the requirements of our Constitution:

At the meeting of the Association at Haverhill, Mass., October 11, 1891, the following board of trustees was elected: Rev. S. S. Newhouse, president; Rev. A. H. Morrill, secretary; Rev. Albert Dunlap, Rev. T. M. McWhinney, E. L. Goodwin, George W. Gunder, Rev. Robert Harris, Rev. M. Harrod, D. H. Pfouts, M. O. Adams was elected treasurer. Immediately after their election, the president, secretary, and treasurer took the usual oath, administered by E. L. Goodwin, Esq., of Boston, and on the 15th of October, at the call of the president, a meeting of the trustees was held, at which time Messrs. Dunlap, Harris, Harrod, and McWhinney were duly sworn, and thus qualified to act. At this meeting the salary of the editor-elect of the *Herald of Gospel Liberty*, Rev. J. J. Summerbell, D. D., was fixed at \$1,200, and Rev. J. P. Watson, D. D., was requested to continue his editorial work at the same weekly salary now received until January 1, 1895. Rev. J. J. Summerbell signified his acceptance of the office of editor.

The secretary was instructed to inform Dr. Watson not to publish in the *Herald* the report of the Grievance Committee of the Miami Conference, nor any communication from Dr. Long on the same subject.

Adjournment was then taken to January 8, 1895, at 2 P. M., at Dayton, Ohio.

At this meeting all the trustees were present save Messrs. Gunder and Pfouts. Mr. Pfouts sent a letter declining the office of trustee, and his declination was accepted. Prof. Hampton Bennett was elected to fill the vacancy, and, upon notification, appeared, qualified (as had E. L. Goodwin), and took his place in the work of the trustees.

Auditing and invoice committees were appointed, which attended to the work assigned and made their reports, which were adopted. The Invoice Committee reported the amount of property in the hands of the agent, Geo. E. Merrill, to be \$6,023.36.

Editor Watson, whose salary had been fixed at the Haverhill meeting at \$600, requested an increase of the same, and after due consideration, it was fixed at \$800.

The committee appointed for that purpose reported suggested improvements in the Sunday-school literature as follows:

1. Concise comments in the *Bible Class Quarterly*.
2. A careful and critical lesson analysis.
3. Change in form of questions: less frequent use of "When?" "What?" "Where?" and of a more suggestive character.
4. The separating of the comments in the *Intermediate Quarterly* according to verse division.
5. More space in the Sunday-school papers devoted to original matter, editorial, and contributed.
6. Arrangement of the lesson texts so as to show both versions; and the omission of quotations from the lesson texts in the notes.

The recommendations were adopted.

A communication from Dr. Summerbell, the editor (he having been invited to present such suggestions as he wished), was read and referred to a special committee, consisting of Messrs. McWhinney, Har-

rod, and Harris, for consideration. A communication from Rev. J. G. Bishop, mission secretary, was referred to the same committee. This committee made its report, which was adopted. It was not deemed expedient to grant the request of the mission secretary. A fund of \$600 was placed in the hands of the editor to be used at his discretion in payment for contributed articles.

The secretary of the Sunday-school department was allowed \$52 per annum; the Y. P. S. C. E. secretary, \$15 per annum; the New England correspondent, Rev. T. S. Weeks, and Rev. P. A. Canada, each \$10. The trustees consented, "at the request of the editor, to contribute articles to the columns of the *Herald of Gospel Liberty*, evincing the fact of the perfect unanimity prevailing among the officials of the Christian Publishing Association." The editor was authorized to use at his discretion from one to two columns of the *Herald* for agricultural matter, and also to offer prizes for short stories for the Home Department. It was recommended that economy in expenditure be carefully observed.

The secretary of Publishing Department of the American Christian Convention was invited to submit for the approval of our Executive Committee such tracts, leaflets, etc., as he deems suitable for publication.

It was voted to assume the publication of the *American Christian and Christian Missionary*, on condition that they be combined, and statistical reports now published in the *Herald* be published in such periodical only.

The treasurer was authorized to procure a copying press, letter book, and letter file for the president.

Rev. G. E. Merrill was allowed \$100 for extra work in preparing the Year Book for 1895.

Permission was granted the Christian Board of Publication (South) to publish a new edition of the Hymnary, provided the copyright law respecting certain hymns permitted it.

The editing of the Year Book was voted as a part of the Agent's work.

Rev. J. J. Summerbell, D. D., was appointed editor of all our publications for which an editor has not been designated, involving no increase of salary.

Messrs. McWhinney, Dunlap, and Bennett were chosen members of the Executive Committee.

Any further action necessary relative to publishing the *American Christian and Christian Missionary* was referred to the Executive Committee. Said committee was also instructed to secure satisfactory bonds from the treasurer and Agent, said bonds to be filed with the president.

Messrs. Goodwin, Morrill, and Harris were appointed the Auditing Committee.

The Auditing Committee appointed at the beginning of the meeting reported the Agent's report correct and properly vouched; also, that the treasurer's report was correct, with vouchers for all expenditures, while he had exhibited the evidences of his investments and cash on hand, and this report and the Agent's were approved.

The Agent's report showed a net gain, since October 1 of \$747.69. After a vote of thanks to Agent Merrill, he was unanimously re-elected Agent, his salary to be continued at same amount as for past year, \$1,200.

This concluded a most harmonious and profitable session.

Our second meeting was held at Dayton, Ohio, beginning January 2, 1896, at 10 A. M., with President Newhouse in the chair. All the trustees except G. W. Gunder were present.

The action of the Executive Committee taken at a meeting held February 28, 1895, was read and approved. This action was as follows: That the Executive Committee could do nothing further in the matter respecting the publication of the *Christian Missionary* and *American Christian*, as there was not concert of action on the part of the boards publishing these papers.

The treasurer was instructed to loan the funds of this Association to the best possible advantage in Ohio or vicinity, getting such favorable rate of interest as he can with all due care as to investments and securities, and that he be allowed one per cent. per annum on all investments made, payable only when the interest on the same is collected; and that we accept his proposition to give a bond for \$40,000

Resolved, That the treasurer be directed to furnish the Agent money for current expenses of his office, the treasurer requiring vouchers for all money paid out by the agent, and reporting his impressions of the condition of the Agent's office once in three months to the president.

All arrangements hitherto made or authorized regarding legal counsel were cancelled.

Messrs. Dunlap, Bennett, and Morrill were appointed a committee to which communications were to be referred.

Messrs. Harris and Harrod were appointed a Committee on Finance.

Rev. G. E. Merrill resigned his position as Agent, and his resignation was accepted, and Dr. McWhinney and A. H. Morrill appointed a special committee to prepare an expression of the sentiment of the board respecting the resignation.

Three applications for the position of Agent were read, when, on motion, B. M. Stoddard was placed in nomination, and, after some statements made by him, he was unanimously elected.

The Auditing Committee reported that in examining the books and accounts of the treasurer they did not find any report in the usual form nor the usual vouchers, nor sufficient data to enable the committee to present a report of the treasury transactions. The report was adopted, and it was voted to appoint a committee of two to consider the state of the treasury, such committee consisting of E. L. Goodwin and T. M. McWhinney.

The Finance Committee recommended the payment of \$50.00 to A. H. Morrill for services in full in preparing the Christian Hymnary for publication.

A. H. Morrill was appointed a committee to examine and correct any errors that may be found, preparatory to issuing a new edition of the Hymnary.

The editor was invited to make such statements as he might wish, and did so. Agreeable with his suggestion, it was voted to restrict the space given to the departments to one and a half columns each of long primer type, and to refer the subject of a new dress for the *Herold* to the Agent.

Dr. Watson also made suggestions relative to the Sunday-school publications, upon the invitation of the trustees. It was voted to furnish Sunday-school supplies to the colored Sunday schools at 33 $\frac{1}{2}$  per cent discount, instead of 40 per cent., as formerly.

Messrs. Morrill, Dunlap, and Harris were appointed a Committee on Sunday-school Literature.

The committee to report concerning Agent Merrill's resignation expressed "their appreciation of his work for the Association during the period of his agency, and reciprocating his kindly expressions concerning our harmonious relations, and wish him great success in his new field of labor." The report was adopted.

At the request of the Executive Board of the American Christian Convention, the trustees voted to defray the expense of issuing and mailing as many extra copies as might be needed in sending out the convention calls.

The Finance Committee recommended that \$400 be used, at the discretion of the editor, in securing articles for the *Herold*, and it was adopted.

The salary of the Agent was fixed at \$20 per week. The Agent was allowed to use premiums costing not to exceed 30 cents each in his premium offers; and premiums and commissions to be allowed on all subscriptions.

It was voted to be inexpedient to undertake such publications as were suggested by Rev. E. A. DeVore and Rev. H. W. McCrone.

The Committee on Sunday-School Literature made a report, reiterating some of the suggestions of the previous year, and urging a cover and better paper for the *Intermediate Quarterly*, better paper for the *Little Teacher*, and the use of a colored cut once a quarter, if deemed advisable by the Agent.

Improvements in mechanical work were ordered as rapidly as possible, consistent with the judgment of the Agent.

The report was adopted, and the subject of improvements was referred to Dr. Watson and the Agent.

The petition of the Mission Board, through its secretary, Rev. J. G. Bishop, asking the Association to print the *Christian Missionary* at actual cost, was granted.

The Committee on State of Treasury reported, recommending that a committee be appointed to secure from the treasurer immediately an itemized account, with proper vouchers, and his schedule of securities, and the securities themselves; and that the committee report to the Executive Committee as soon as possible. The report was adopted, and E. L. Goodwin, T. M. McWhinney, and Hampton Bennett were duly appointed that committee.

The Agent then rendered his report, which was referred to the Auditing Committee. The committee was empowered to make formal transfer of Association property now in charge of Agent Merrill to B. M. Stoddard, the new Agent.

The Invoice Committee reported that Agent Merrill's list was correct, and that it was satisfactory to Agent Stoddard. The report was adopted.

The Auditing Committee reported that the accounts were properly kept, and vouchers were found for all disbursements, and that the report should be approved. The absence of the treasurer and his full accounts prevented the usual comparison to insure absolute correctness. The report was adopted.

The Agent's report showed the gain from the business of the Association for the year to be \$2,843.41.

The trustees expressed their opinion that a certain employe in the News Room ought not longer to be employed.

The Agent's bond was fixed at \$3,000, the security to be satisfactory to the president and Prof. Bennett.

It was voted that the Auditing Committee should meet two days prior to the annual meeting to do its work.

It was voted that the trustees wish the treasurer to use clemency in regard to the note of C. W. Choate, J. L. McKinney, and G. D. Black, if, in his judgment, it is safe to do so, regarding the loan sale, though desiring its payment in a reasonable time.

The Agent's report was approved. The president was authorized to visit the House occasionally to ascertain its condition and work.

This closed another harmonious and pleasant meeting of the Board.

The next annual meeting of the Board was held in Dayton, Ohio, beginning January 6, 1897. All the members were present except Mr. Gunder, who sent his resignation. This was accepted, and Rev. C. J. Jones, D.D., was elected to fill the vacancy. He being in the city, upon notice of his election, qualified and took his seat with the trustees.

The Agent made his report, which, as usual, was referred to the Auditing Committee.

The editor then read a communication containing suggestions, which was referred to a committee consisting of Jones, Dunlap, and McWhinney.

The Inventory Committee reported that they had examined the invoice lists of the Agent and found them correct, and their report was adopted. Much time was spent by the committee and the trustees in considering the communication of Dr. Summerbell and his suggestions, as there developed in this connection the fact of strained relations existing between the Editor and Agent. The president and Dr. McWhinney were appointed a special committee to confer with them respecting their relations, and to urge the need of a full and complete reconciliation.

The report of the Committee on Editor's Communication was discussed fully, amended, recommended, and again discussed, at the request of the editor, for some changes, and some parts of it reconsidered after adoption, in order that harmonious relations might be restored.

A paper was presented for the signature of the Agent and editor, as a means of bringing about cordial relations, which met the approval of the Board, and Dr. McWhinney and E. L. Goodwin were appointed a committee to confer with the parties and secure their signatures. After further discussion, and changes suggested by the editor, the Agent and editor signed the paper, and it was hoped by the trustees that a solution of the difficulty had been reached.

The committee on Dr. Summerbell's communication finally reported and their report was adopted. The substance of the report is as follows: Thanks were expressed to Dr. and Mrs. Watson for the care for the editor during his illness the previous winter, and to Dr. Watson for his work in editing the *Herold* during

that time; commending Dr. Summerbell's judgment in choosing Dr. Watson for this work. In case of editor's disability hereafter, the matter was to be referred to the Executive Committee through the president.

In the special number of the *Herald* all the literary matter was to be under control of the editor, the advertising matter, in the space usually devoted to it in such issue, to be under supervision of the Agent, as well as the mechanical part. In case of any disagreement it is to be referred to the Executive Committee.

The Agent was fully empowered to secure a new dress when he can do so most advantageously to the Association.

The mileage books are to be divided equally between the editor and Agent, and used when traveling in the interest of the Association; if used at any other time, to be accounted for to the Association at two cents per mile.

The proposed domestic department was indefinitely postponed.

Appropriations for contributors were made as follows: To A. H. Morrill, as special contributor from New England, \$50; to Rev. C. A. Tillinghast, for Sunday-School Department, \$75; to Miss Jennie Sherzer, for twenty-six letters from abroad, \$50; to Rev. P. A. Canada, for Christian Endeavor Department, \$50; to Rev. T. S. Weeks, for his New England letters, \$40, \$10 of which is for postage and stationery. The editor was requested to put suitable notice at the head of Field Department respecting condensation of items.

It was voted to pay the president a salary of \$25 annually from January 1, 1896, and that he be supplied with necessary stationery.

Dr. Watson read a communication concerning his work, which was referred to a committee, which reported concerning his recommendations. Their report was adopted, recommending the uniting of the two Sunday-school papers and enlargement to eight pages weekly, with one page for suitable advertisements, and referring the whole matter to the Agent and Dr. Watson.

The treasurer made a statement in writing concerning treasury transactions, which was referred to the Auditing Committee.

Because of the increased property in the treasurer's hands, it was voted to require an additional bond of \$10,000.

B. M. Stoddard was reelected Agent at the same salary, and his bond fixed at \$1,000, with such security as is satisfactory to the president.

It was voted that the next annual meeting should be held Wednesday, January 12, 1898.

The secretary was instructed to prepare suitable resolutions relative to the Editors, Agent, and the success of the Association, and the following is the resolution adopted:

*Resolved*, That as trustees of the Christian Publishing Association we extend cordial congratulations to the editor of the *Herald of Gospel Liberty*, the editor of our Sunday-school literature, our Agent, and treasurer upon the success of the year's work. We desire to express to these brethren our hearty appreciation of their earnest and faithful service, and to assure them of our confidence, esteem, and hearty support, together with our prayer that the blessing of God may rest upon them and theirs, and upon our united efforts for the success of the Association.

The Auditing Committee reported that the Agent's report had been found correct, and their and the Agent's reports were adopted.

The Auditing Committee reported that the Agent's books of accounts were also correct, and this was adopted.

The Auditing Committee asked that their final report might be made to the Executive Committee, and it was so voted.

The Committee on State of Treasury was permitted to render its report to the Executive Committee.

Rev. A. Dunlap was authorized to secure legal advice relative to our power to hold and loan money under our charter.

The trustees then adjourned.

The last annual meeting of the trustees was held in Dayton, Ohio, beginning January 12, 1898, all the trustees except Rev. M. Harrod being present.

The Agent made his report, which was referred to the Auditing Committee.

Editor Summerbell read a communication, which was referred to a committee as usual.

Rev. A. Dunlap reported in relation to our charter, that we had all necessary authority for the transaction of our business. The report was adopted.

The treasurer's report was read and referred to the Auditing Committee.

The request of Rev. A. Dunlap for fifty copies of the Christian Hymnary for the mission church at Columbus, was referred to the Auditing Committee.

Editor Watson read a communication respecting his work, which was referred to a committee.

The Invoice Committee reported the invoice schedule correct, and their report was adopted.

It was voted that an article entitled "An Error," by Rev. S. S. Newhouse, then in the editor's hands, was the property of the author and should be returned to him.

The committee on Dr. Summerbell's communication reported that in their judgment it was unwise to undertake the publication of the Biographical Memorials of Rev. N. Summerbell, D. D., but recommended that a special arrangement be made between the publisher of the book and the Executive Committee of the Board with reference to its advertising and sale. They also commended the editor's care in keeping a strict account of receipts and expenditures.

They recommended that the salary of the editor be \$1,200 for the ensuing year.

It was also recommended that the Agent's salary be \$1,200 for the year.

The same committee also reported concerning Dr. Watson's communication justifying his omission of the lesson analysis, and recommended that his salary for the current year be \$900.

The same committee also reported on other matters referred to them that certain poems and hymns be referred to the editor of the *Herald*, for his judgment as to the propriety of their publication, no expense to the Association to be incurred if published. It was recommended that twenty dollars be appropriated for the Junior Endeavor notes in *Herald*. Concerning a letter received from Dr. Weston, the committee recognized "with pleasure his arduous efforts" as "chairman of the Commission on Christian Union," "to promote the cause of Christian Union on the basis of the resolutions adopted at the American Christian Convention which convened at Haverhill, Massachusetts, and sympathize with him in his desire for harmony in the execution of this mission." It was recommended that an edition of 20,000 of the tract "Principles or Principle, Which?" be published at the expense of the House for free distribution, the manner of such distribution to be left to the discretion of the Agent. It was recommended to the New England brethren to send their items to Brother Weeks for his New England letter. It was recommended that no more space at present be devoted to Sunday school matter. It was not thought best to publish the sermons on "Baptism," by Rev. T. Addington. It was not deemed best to make any appropriations for matter published in the Mission Department of the *Herald*. Fifty copies of the Christian Hymnary were donated to the mission church in Columbus, in return for a collection to be taken for the Association. The sums for special contributors for the year were as follows: A. H. Morrill, \$50 for twenty-six articles, averaging three fourths of a column; \$75 for the Sunday-school Department; \$50 to Miss Sherzer for twenty-six letters; \$50 to Rev. P. A. Canada, for Y. P. S. C. E. department; \$40 for the New England Letter.

All those items were unanimously adopted. The Agent's report concerning his use of mileage books was received and approved.

The action of the Executive Board in authorizing the purchase of a type writer for the editor, and, in adding one hundred dollars to his salary, as well as the increase of the Agent's salary, one hundred dollars, was ratified by the trustees after some discussion.

The Auditing Committee rendered the following report:

At the request of your committee to the Executive Committee, Mr. Ziba Crawford was employed by said committee to examine the treasurer's accounts, who

\* Trustees Christian Publishing Association, Oct., 1894=Oct., 1898.



S. S. NEWHOUSE, *Pres.*  
T. M. McWHINNEY, D.D.



MILLS HARROD.  
C. J. JONES, D.D.



E. L. GOODWIN, Esq.  
† PROF. H. BENNETT.



A. DUNLAP.  
R. HARRIS.



reports (report on file) that he has examined the books of Treasurer M. O. Adams, commencing October 15, 1894, and ending December 31, 1896, and that he finds the net assets in possession of said treasurer December 31, 1896, to be \$42,514.14. We have examined the treasurer's books from January 1, 1897, to December 31, 1897, and find them correct, showing the amount of assets in his hands December 31, 1897, to be \$52,514.73. We have also examined the books and report of the Agent, and find them correct, with proper vouchers for all expenditures.

Signed,  
E. L. GOODWIN,  
A. H. MORRILL,  
ROBERT HARRIS,  
*Committee.*

This report was adopted, as was that of the Agent.

The Agent was instructed to cancel the bonds of the House to the number of thirty-two, dated January 1, 1885.

E. M. Stoddard was elected Agent for the ensuing year.

The Secretary was instructed to furnish such abstract of the minutes for publication in *Herald* as his judgment might approve.

The Agent was authorized to secure free trip tickets for Rev. J. P. Watson, in attending conferences and church gatherings where his presence might be helpful to the interests of the Association.

Since this meeting of the Trustees some action has been taken by correspondence. The enlargement and improvement of our Sunday-school publications, at beginning of third quarter, 1898, was authorized.

At the request of the Agent, certain demands made by the editor, Dr. J. J. Summerbell, to the Agent March 3, 1898, were presented to the Trustees for their approval or disapproval:

*First.* "You will hereafter please give the editor any matter you wish published in the *Herald of Gospel Liberty*; all of it, whether original, advertisements, or other matter.

*Second.* "You will please confine your matter to one column, unless you secure my previous consent to consuming more space, which will be cheerfully granted when justified."

The demands were not approved by the Trustees.

At the Executive Committee meeting at Dayton, October 5-6, 1898, the accounts of the treasurer and Agent were audited, their books and reports being found correct, and which will be presented at this

meeting. No other business was done, except to authorize the Secretary to prepare the report of the Trustees for this meeting, and authorizing the Agent to pay the expenses of the Executive Committee meeting.

It is very gratifying to report the finances in so good shape, the treasurer having \$5,171.79 in hand, less \$1,744 earned interest not yet paid.

In rendering an account of our four years' stewardship, we desire to say that we have aimed conscientiously to discharge the duty which we have sworn to perform. We have sought in all our action, even in that which has been the subject of criticism, insinuation, and aspersion, to do the things we believed to be for the best interest of the cause we all loved, and in loyalty to which we yield to no one of our brethren.

It is but justice to ourselves to say that in all our relations among ourselves, with those connected with the house as editor, agents, clerks, etc., there has been no lack of almost cordiality, save in one instance.

We have not agreed in some matters with the editor of the *Herald of Gospel Liberty*, and we have not believed that it was our duty to sacrifice what we deemed to be truth and duty in order to support the editor, as has been virtually suggested by one of our contentences. As Trustees we have believed it our duty to administer the affairs of the Christian Publishing Association for its interests and those of the people whose it is.

We have not approved the policy of the editor of the *Herald of Gospel Liberty* in certain respects, nor have we taken action dictating his policy, and we can but regard his course as largely responsible for the divided sentiment of the representation of our denomination here to-day.

While we emphatically say that we have had no purpose to betray the interests of our people in the least, nor have we any such thought now, but rather desire to see growth and success for us as a people, and have labored and sacrificed for it, we feel that it is a matter beneath our notice to answer in any way some of the insinuations that have appeared even in the paper published by the Association whose interests we have served.

In concluding this report, we desire to congratulate the Association upon its excellent financial condition, and to say that we cherish kindly feelings to those who criticize us in the spirit of Christian fellowship.

ALVA H. MORRILL,  
*Secretary for the Trustees.*



REV. ALVA H. MORRILL, D.D.,  
Ex-President American Christian Convention.

"On motion of Secretary Burnett, a vote of thanks was tendered Rev. A. H. Morrill, D.D., the retiring president, for his faithful, efficient, and impartial service during his term of office."

GEO. E. MERRILL, Publishing Agent.

Report from January 1, 1895, to January 1, 1896,  
covering the year of 1895.

**Assets January 1, 1896.**

Herald of Gospel Liberty,—paper and advertising...	\$ 164 93	
Book,—books, cards, blanks, etc.....	904 51	
Lesson Leaves,—paper.....	28 50	
Little Teacher,—paper.....	80 50	
Sunday School Paper,—paper.....	32 00	
Newsroom,—entire outfit of the composing room...	2,815 08	
Hymnary,—plates, books bound and unbound.....	892 65	
Fixtures,—office and mailing-room furniture, office stationery, wrapping paper, etc.....	444 79	
C. P. A. Library.....	174 35	
Personal accounts.....	101 07	
M. O. Adams, Treasurer.....	2,641 68	
Cash.....	44 84	
Current expense.....	567 64	
		\$ 8,892 54

**Liabilities January 1, 1896.**

Bills payable.....	\$ 536 65	
Personal accounts.....	111 55	
		648 20
Net assets.....		\$ 8,244 34

Net assets under Agent's charge, January 1, 1896...	\$ 8,244 34
Net assets under Agent's charge, January 1, 1895, after deducting net amount paid the last three months of 1894 to the Treasurer (the time cov- ered by first report to the present Board of Trustees), were.....	5,400 93
Gain for the year of 1895.....	\$ 2,843 41

**Gains by Accounts.**

Book.....	\$ 956 79	
Lesson Leaves,—B. C. and Inter. Quar.....	3,816 95	
Little Teacher.....	760 80	
Sunday School Paper.....	1,816 87	
Hymnary.....	187 30	
Year Book, 1895.....	51 50	
Year Book, 1896.....	11 40	
C. P. A. Library.....	39 40	
Donation.....	1 00	
Profit and Loss.....	6 00	
		7,648 01

**Losses by Accounts.**

Herald of Gospel Liberty.....	\$ 517 63	
Fixtures.....	77 98	
Stock.....	368 08	
Newsroom.....	240 34	
Expense.....	3,600 57	
		4,804 60

Gain for the year of 1895.....	\$ 2,843 41
Gains from legitimate business.....	\$ 2,842 41
Donation.....	1 00
Gain for the year of 1895.....	\$ 2,843 41

B. M. STODDARD, Publishing Agent.

Report from January 1, 1896, to January 1, 1897,  
covering the year of 1896.

**Assets January 1, 1897.**

Herald of Gospel Liberty — Paper and Advertising .....	\$ 122 14
Books — Bibles, Books, Pamphlets, etc.....	1,248 86
Lesson Leaves.....	315 18
Little Teacher.....	76 00
Sunday-School Paper.....	261 10
Newsroom.....	2,561 94
Hymnary.....	936 27
Fixtures .....	448 48
Library.....	156 92
M. O. Adams, Treasurer.....	6,754 92
Cash.....	94 05
Current Expense.....	3 10
Christians' Annual.....	499 56
Total Assets.....	\$ 13,478 52

**Liability.**

Bills Payable.....	1,361 12
Net Assets January 1, 1897 .....	12,117 40
Net Assets January 1, 1896.....	8,244 34
Gain for the year 1896.....	3,873 06

**Gains by Accounts.**

Book .....	\$ 1,004 65
Lesson Leaves.....	3,913 09
Little Teacher.....	955 94
Sunday-School Paper.....	2,054 89
Year Book, 1896.....	35 79
Christians' Annual, 1897.....	93 61
Fixtures.....	10 19
	\$ 8,068 16

**Losses by Accounts.**

Herald of Gospel Liberty.....	\$ 296 10
Hymnary.....	217 10
Stock.....	349 44
Newsroom.....	284 66
Expense.....	3,026 87
Library.....	20 43
Profit and Loss.....	50
	\$ 4,195 10
for the year 1896.....	\$ 3,873 06

B. M. STODDARD, Publishing Agent.

Report from January 1, 1897,<sup>1</sup> to January 1, 1898,<sup>2</sup>  
covering the year of 1897.

**Assets January 1, 1898.**

Herald of Gospel Liberty—Paper and Advertising.....	\$ 59 82
Books—Bibles, Books, Pamphlets, etc.....	1,133 76
Lesson Leaves.....	396 11
Little Teacher.....	91 97
Sunday-School Paper.....	184 15
Newsroom.....	2,325 05
Hymnary.....	764 35
Fixtures.....	539 87
Library.....	202 04
M. O. Adams, Treasurer.....	6,958 34
Cash.....	11 49
Current Expense.....	12 77
Christians' Annual.....	734 46
Total Assets.....	\$13,414 18

**Liability.**

Bills Payable.....	\$ 1,967 64
Net Assets January 1, 1898.....	\$11,446 54
Net Assets January 1, 1897, after crediting Treasurer Adams, \$6,754.92.....	5,362 48
Gain for the year 1897.....	\$ 6,084 06

**Gains by Accounts.**

Book.....	\$ 1,151 32
Lesson Leaves.....	2,921 25
Little Teacher.....	691 25
Sunday-School Paper.....	1,121 41
Christians' Annual, 1897.....	164 21
Christians' Annual, 1898.....	103 48
Hymnary.....	54 74
Library.....	45 12
	\$ 6,252 78

**Losses by Accounts.**

Herald of Gospel Liberty.....	\$ 1,337 39
Stock.....	361 71
Newsroom.....	258 33
Expense.....	1,753 81
Fixtures.....	63 66
	3 774 90
Gains from the legitimate business for 1897.....	\$ 2,477 88
Donations.....	3,606 18
Total Gain.....	\$ 6,084 06



B. M. STODDARD, Publishing Agent.

Report from January 1, 1898, to October 1, 1898,  
covering nine months of 1898.

**Assets October 1, 1898.**

Herald of Gospel Liberty—Paper and Advertising.....	\$ 99 09
Books—Bibles, Books, Pamphlets, etc. ....	913 02
Lesson Leaves.....	393 81
Little Teacher.....	102 95
Sunday-School Paper.....	194 80
Newsroom.....	2,409 23
Hymnary.....	695 22
Fixtures.....	528 33
Library.....	214 04
M. O. Adams, Treasurer.....	635 34
Cash.....	16 41
Current Expense.....	6 55
Christians' Annual.....	179 72
Total Assets.....	\$6,388 51

**Liability.**

Bills Payable.....	\$1,650 42
Net Assets, October 1, 1898.....	\$4,738 09
Net Assets, January 1, 1898, after crediting Treasurer Adams, \$6,958 34.....	4,488 20
Gain for the nine months.....	\$ 249 89

**Gains by Accounts.**

Book.....	\$ 532 72
Lesson Leaves.....	1,978 41
Little Teacher.....	459 13
Sunday-School Paper.....	814 60
Christians' Annual, 1898.....	74 03
Hymnary.....	144 46
Library.....	12 00
	\$4,015 35

**Losses by Accounts.**

Herald of Gospel Liberty.....	\$2,079 19
Stock.....	264 02
Newsroom.....	108 36
Expense.....	1,271 60
Fixtures.....	42 29
	3,765 46
Gains for the nine months.....	\$ 249 89

## RECAPITULATION.

From October 1, 1894, to October 1, 1898,  
covering forty-eight months.

Gains as follows by accounts:

Books .....	\$ 3,769 34	
Sunday-School Paper .....	6,273 73	
Lesson Leaves .....	13,552 62	
Little Teacher.....	3,030 53	
Hymnary.....	243 36	
Year Book, 1895.....	66 93	
Year Book, 1896.....	47 19	
Christians' Annual, 1897.....	257 82	
Christians' Annual, 1898.....	177 51	
Profit and Loss.....	6 75	
Library .....	76 09	
Donations in Cash.....	3,607 18	
		\$31,109 05

Losses as follows:

Herald of Gospel Liberty.....	4,020 96	
Stock Interest.....	\$ 1,343 25	
Expense .....	10,837 28	
Fixtures .....	182 38	
Quadrennial Book, 1890.....	32 38	
Newsroom .....	\$94 69	
		\$17,310 94

**Total gain for the forty-eight months.....**\$13,798 11

Gains as follows by separate reports:

The three months of 1894.....	\$ 747 69
The year of 1895.....	2,843 41
The year of 1896.....	3,873 06
The year of 1897.....	6,084 06
The nine months of 1898.....	249 89
<b>Total gain for the forty-eight months.....</b>	<b>\$13,798 11</b>

The gains for the forty-eight months may be further analyzed as follows:

Donations in cash.....	\$ 3,607 18
Gains from the legitimate business.....	10,190 93

### Character of the Gains for the Forty-Eight Months.

The agents have paid to the Treasurer, over and above amounts received from him, as follows:

The three months of 1894 .....	\$ 923 68
The year of 1895.....	2,641 68
The year of 1896.....	4,113 24
The year of 1897.....	6,958 34
The nine months of 1898.....	635 34

**Total net cash paid to Treasurer for the forty-eight months, \$15,272 28**

## RECAPITULATION.

From August 1, 1891, to October 1, 1894,  
covering thirty-eight months.

Gains as follows by accounts:

Herald of Gospel Liberty.....	\$ 5,152 29	
Books.....	2,966 73	
Sunday-School Paper.....	6,248 71	
Lesson Leaves.....	12,728 47	
Little Teacher.....	2,390 55	
Hymnary.....	1,332 27	
Interest.....	9 25	
Year Book of 1892.....	90 11	
Year Book of 1893.....	162 22	
Year Book of 1894.....	77 68	
Library.....	4 15	
Donations in cash.....	1,360 10	
Donations in land.....	1,000 00	
	\$33,522 53	

Losses as follows:

Stock Interest.....	\$ 847 23	
Expense.....	15,143 68	
Stamps.....	28 38	
Profit and Loss.....	445 83	
Fixtures.....	26 80	
Quadrennial Book of 1890.....	368 37	
Newsroom.....	529 91	
	17,390 20	

**Total gain for the thirty-eight months.....** \$16,132 33

Gains as follows by separate reports:

The five months of 1891.....	\$ 1,575 09
The year of 1892.....	5,005 03
The year of 1893.....	5,084 02
The nine months of 1894.....	4,468 19

**Total gain for the thirty-eight months.....** \$16,132 33

The gains for the thirty-eight months may be further analyzed as follows:

Donations in cash.....	\$ 1,360 10
Donations in land.....	1,000 00
Gains from legitimate business.....	13,772 23

**Total gain for the thirty-eight months.....** \$16,132 33

### Character of the Gains for the Thirty-Eight Months.

Their character in a word is, CASH. The Agent has paid to the Treasurer, over and above amount received from him, as follows:

The four months and twenty days of 1891.....	\$ 502 93
The year of 1892.....	7,189 82
The year of 1893.....	4,767 22
The nine months of 1894.....	4,418 02

**Total net cash paid to the Treasurer for the 38 months** \$16,877 99

## Some Explanations of the Herald of Gospel Liberty Account.

ACCOUNTS.	Oct. 1, 1890, to Oct. 1, 1894.	Oct. 1, 1894, to Oct. 1, 1898.	Difference.
Editorial Salaries, - - -	\$5,389 74	\$7,974 34	\$2,584 60
Contributed Articles, - -	150 00	1,516 20	1,366 20
Cash Advertising, - - -	3,629 25	2,087 24	1,542 01
Subscription Money, - -	22,029 89	17,720 01	4,309 88
			\$9,802 69



## SYSTEM OF VOUCHERS.

The system of vouchers and manner of keeping accounts adopted by Rev. Geo. E. Merrill, August 12, 1891, is still continued. "The system has received the commendation of the Trustees," and a voucher is on file in the office for every bill paid since then, all of which have been examined and passed upon by the Trustees up to January 1, 1898. The accounts and vouchers for the nine months to October 1, 1898, have been examined by the Executive Board, and their correctness certified to the Trustees.



## TOTAL ASSETS OF THE C. P. A.

Net Assets under agent's charge, October 1, 1898, after deducting the Treasurer items, are \$4,102.75. Adding the \$55,171.79 Treasurer Assets and the \$4,102.64, gives the *present net capital of the Association as* 59,274.54.

# CHRISTIAN PUBLISHING ASSOCIATION,

DAYTON, OHIO.

B. M. STODDARD, Publishing Agent.

To the Honorable Board of Trustees :

DEAR BRETHREN—I hereby respectfully submit my report of the business done under my charge for the last three months of 1898.

## Assets January 1, 1899.

Herald of Gospel Liberty — Paper and Advertising.....	\$	59	30
Book — Bibles, Books, Pamphlets, etc.....		948	05
Lesson Leaves.....		297	97
Little Teacher.....		99	22
Sunday-School Paper.....		153	45
Newsroom.....	2,986	29	
Hymnary.....		672	47
Fixtures.....		542	69
Library.....		214	04
M. O. Adams, Treasurer.....	1,092	27	
Cash.....		3	81
Current Expense.....		7	19
Christians' Annual.....		776	86
Total Assets.....	\$	7,853	31

## Liability.

Bills Payable.....	\$2,853	03
Net Assets, January 1, 1899.....	\$5,000	28
Net Assets, October 1, 1898.....	4,738	09
Gain for three months.....	\$262	19

## Gains by Accounts.

Herald of Gospel Liberty.....	\$12	97
Book.....	187	86
Lesson Leaves.....	377	05
Little Teacher.....	79	75
Sunday-School Paper.....	14	41
Christians' Annual, 1899.....	88	93
Hymnary.....		05
Profit and loss (donation to Christian Publishing Association).....	100	00
	\$861	02

## Losses by Accounts.

Stock.....	\$	77	87
Newsroom.....		4	70
Expense.....	511	62	
Fixtures.....		4	64
		598	83
	\$262	19	
Gain from the legitimate business.....	\$162	19	
Donation.....	100	00	
Total Gain.....	\$262	19	



QUADRENNIAL REPORT

OF THE

Treasurer of Christian Publishing Association.

1894.			
Oct.	Rec'd from G. E. Merrill, Ag't,	\$1,328 99	Paid him \$1,500 00
Nov.	“ “ “ “	1,267 98	“ 2,000 00
Dec.	“ “ “ “	2,326 71	“ 500 00
	Balance .....		923 68
		<u>\$4,923 68</u>	<u>\$4,923 68</u>

1895.			
	Balance January 1, 1895. ....	\$ 923 68	
Jan.	Rec'd from G. E. Merrill, Ag't,	\$2,153 18	Paid him \$2,500 00
Feb.	“ “ “ “	843 13	“ 1,500 00
Mar.	“ “ “ “	2,438 36	“ 1,000 00
April	“ “ “ “	1,889 27	“ 1,500 00
May	“ “ “ “	1,295 08	“ 2,500 00
June	“ “ “ “	2,391 30	“ 1,500 00
July	“ “ “ “	1,537 58	“ 1,500 00
Aug.	“ “ “ “	906 52	“ 1,500 00
Sept.	“ “ “ “	2,384 27	“ 1,500 00
Oct.	“ “ “ “	1,377 61	“ 1,500 00
Nov.	“ “ “ “	632 42	“ 1,500 00
Dec.	“ “ “ “	2,792 96	
	Balance, his gain from quadren- nial, 15 months.....		3,565 36
		<u>\$21,565 36</u>	<u>\$21,565 36</u>

1896.			
Jan.	Rec'd from B. M. Stoddard, Ag't,	\$2,087 19	Paid him \$2,000 00
Feb.	“ “ “ “	1,349 38	“ 1,000 00
Mar.	“ “ “ “	3,229 67	“ 1,000 00
April	“ “ “ “	1,600 62	“ 3,000 00
May	“ “ “ “	739 51	“ 2,400 00
June	“ “ “ “	3,439 72	“ 2,000 00
July	“ “ “ “	1,263 94	“ 2,000 00
Aug.	“ “ “ “	788 04	“ 1,000 00
Sept.	“ “ “ “	2,653 00	“ 2,000 00
Oct.	“ “ “ “	1,051 68	“ 500 00
Nov.	“ “ “ “	700 83	“ 500 00
Dec.	“ “ “ “	3,809 66	“ 1,200 00
	Balance, his gain for year, 1896.....		4,113 24
		<u>\$22,713 24</u>	<u>\$22,713 24</u>

**Quadrennial Report of the Treasurer of Christian  
Publishing Association.—Continued.**

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1897.			
Jan.	Rec'd from B. M. Stoddard, Ag't,	\$1,712 57	Paid him \$2,000 00
Feb.	“ “ “ “	1,400 19	“ 2,000 00
Mar.	“ “ “ “	3,204 37	“ 2,000 00
April	“ “ “ “	2,294 28	“ 2,000 00
May	“ “ “ “	1,500 00	“ 1,000 00
June	“ “ “ “	1,512 20	“ 1,000 00
July	“ “ “ “	1,515 44	“ 2,500 00
Aug.	“ “ “ “	596 19	“ 1,000 00
Sept.	“ “ “ “	3,205 20	“ 2,000 00
Oct.	“ “ “ “	922 83	“ 2,000 00
Nov.	“ “ “ “	4,688 56	“ 500 00
Dec.	“ “ “ “	4,406 51	“ 2,000 00
	Balance, his net gain for year 1897.....		6,958 34
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		\$26,958 34	\$26,958 34
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1898.			
Jan.	Rec'd from B. M. Stoddard, Ag't,	\$1,531 58	Paid him \$3,500 00
Feb.	“ “ “ “	1,028 03	“ 1,500 00
Mar.	“ “ “ “	3,100 87	“ 2,000 00
April	“ “ “ “	1,439 31	“ 2,000 00
May	“ “ “ “	825 63	“ 1,500 00
June	“ “ “ “	3,128 86	“ 1,500 00
July	“ “ “ “	1,020 03	“ 1,500 00
Aug.	“ “ “ “	908 76	“ 1,500 00
Sept.	“ “ “ “	2,942 27	“ 1,300 00
	Balance, his net gain nine months.....		635 34
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	Total.....	\$15,935 34	\$15,935 34

**RECAPITULATION.**

**The Gains from Agents.**

1894, From G. E. Merrill, Agent, Oct. 1, 1894, to Jan. 1, 1895 ...	\$ 923 68
1895, From G. E. Merrill, Agent, Jan. 1, 1895, to Jan. 1, 1896 ...	2,641 68
1896, From B. M. Stoddard, Agent, Jan. 1, 1896, to Jan. 1, 1897.	4,113 24
1897, From B. M. Stoddard, Agent, Jan. 1, 1897, to Jan. 1, 1898...	6,958 34
1898, From B. M. Stoddard, Agent, Jan. 1, 1898, to Oct. 1, 1898,	635 34
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Total .....	\$15,272 28

**Gains from the Agents Analyzed.**

From the legitimate business.....	\$11,665 10
From the Geo. L. Barkalow Estate.....	3,406 18
From the Mary R. Pinder Estate.....	200 00
From Mrs. C. L. Huntoon, donation.....	1 00
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	\$15,272 28

NOTE.—The Treasurer's report deals only with such gains as come into his hands, and does not include any gains that may occur by additions to value of Book Stock and Printing Plant.

M. O. ADAMS,  
*Treasurer Christian Publishing Association.*



Quadrennial Report of the Treasurer of Christian  
Publishing Association.—Continued.

Oct. 1, 1894	Assets last quadrennial.....		\$30,847 25
	Plus unpaid earned interest, \$923.72		
	Composed as follows:		
	Bills receivable .....	\$26,851 10	
	Cash .....	1,592 33	
	Cash held for agent's use.....	2,403 82	
		<u>\$30,847 25</u>	
Jan. 1, 1895	Cash received for interest since Oct. 1, 1894 .....	\$ 388 88	
	Expense bills ordered by the Con- vention paid.....	121 22	
	Net gain.....		<u>267 66</u>
	Assets Jan. 1, 1895 .....		\$31,114 91
	Consisting of the following:		
	Account of Albert Dunlap.....	\$ 580 00	
	Cash in bank .....	1,079 99	
	Bills receivable.....	28,151 10	
	Cash held for agent's use.....	1,303 82	
		<u>31,114 91</u>	
Jan. 1, 1896	Amount net gains received from G. E. Merrill, for fifteen months, \$	3,565 36	
	Cash received from interest, for the year .....	1,823 79	
		<u>\$ 5,389 15</u>	
	Expenses paid.....	32 18	
	Net gains for the year 1895,		<u>5,356 97</u>
	Assets Jan. 1, 1896 .....		\$36,471 88
	Itemized as follows:		
	Cash .....	\$ 540 94	
	A. Dunlap account.....	1,587 81	
	Bills receivable .....	31,949 50	
	Cash Dayton Bank, held for agent's use.....	2,393 63	
		<u>\$36,471 88</u>	

N. B.—The item, A. Dunlap account, is for loans in Columbus, O., sent to him for collection, he kindly doing so without charge, and a saving to the Association.

Quadrennial Report of the Treasurer of Christian  
Publishing Association.—Continued.

	<i>Assets, Jan. 1, 1896, brought forward....</i>	\$ 36,471
Jan. 1, 1897	Amount net gains during the year received from Agent B. M. Stoddard.....	\$ 4,113 24
	Cash received for interest.....	2,400 97
		\$ 6,514 21
	Expenses paid, including part of last year.....	471 25
	Net gain for the year 1896 .....	6,042 96
	Total assets, Jan. 1, 1897.....	\$ 42,514 84
	Itemized as follows:	
	Bills receivable.....	\$ 37,665 62
	Cash .....	2,431 10
	A Dunlap account.....	87 81
	Cash in Dayton Bank, held for agent's use.....	2,330 31
		\$ 42,514 84
Jan. 1, 1898	Amount received during the year from Agent B. M. Stoddard.....	\$ 6,958 34
	Amount received from interest on loans.....	2,284 50
		\$ 9,242 84
	Expenses paid .....	567 71
	Net gains for the year 1897 ...	8,675 13
	Total assets January 1, 1898.....	\$ 51,189 97
	Itemized as follows—	
	Bills receivable .....	\$ 45,909 40
	Cash .....	165 09
	Fourth National Bank, including Agent's funds.....	4,219 44
	Real estate .....	896 04
		\$ 51,189 97

The real estate consists of: 160 acres in Gray County, Kansas, donated by E. Pierce—the tax cost \$45.80; Two city lots in Duluth, Minneiota, cost \$850.24.

I think the real estate will realize dollar for dollar and interest, if not a profit, as soon as Duluth recovers from her tax prostration.

## Quadrennial Report of the Treasurer of Christian Publishing Association.—Concluded.

Oct. 1, 1898	Amount received from Agent B. M. Stoddard since Jan. 1.....	\$ 635 34	
	Amount received for interest.....	1,921 48	
		\$ 2,556 82	
	Expenses paid.....	319 00	
	Net gains from Jan. 1, 1898.....	\$ 2,237 82	
	<i>Total Assets, Jan. 1, 1898, brought forward</i> .....	51,189 97	
		\$ 53,427 79	
	To this add interest earned, not paid,	1,744 00	
		\$ 55,171 79	
	Total Assets Oct. 1, 1898.....		
	Consisting as follows:		
	Cash in bank .....	\$ 4,015 83	
	Cash in Fourth National Bank, Dayton, held for agent's use.....	3,106 35	
	Real estate.....	906 60	
	Bills receivable, notes at interest...	45,399 01	
	Interest earned to date.....	1,744 00	
		\$ 55,171 79	
	Total assets last quadrennial.....	30,847 25	
	Net gains since last quadrennial.....	\$ 24,324 54	
<b>Derived from the Following Sources:</b>			
	From interest .....	\$9,052 26	
	From bequests (through agents) .....	3,607 18	
	From Publishing House.....	11,665 10	
		\$24,324 54	

Respectfully submitted, together with my books and vouchers,

M. O. ADAMS,

*Treasurer Christian Publishing Association.*

This closes my eight years as your treasurer, during which time I have had the great pleasure of witnessing the growth of the assets from less than \$10,000 to the present sum of over \$55,000. Order and system have been restored, and, with the hearty support of our people, greater prosperity is in store. My relations with the trustees, agents, and editors have been cordial and pleasant, except for a little while with the Auditing Committee, who thought it advisable to have my books and vouchers audited by an expert. The incident leading to this was simply an unfortunate misunderstanding not of moment to the Convention, and the result of the expert's report has led to a more cordial feeling, better understanding, and *more carefulness on my part*. I hold only the most cordial and brotherly feeling for the trustees and admire them all the more for the courage to do what they felt to be a duty, regardless of old friendship. Such faithfulness to duty, coupled with such ability, should have your thanks. Naturally, the treasurer and agent are in close relationship in the financial affairs, it being the treasurer's duty to require monthly settlements from him. It is gratifying to say that the most cordial relations have existed between the present agent and myself, as with his predecessor, and that I have always found him careful and accurate in his statements and accounts with the treasurer, and I hereby express my utmost confidence in his faithful management of the financial interests entrusted to him.

M. O. ADAMS.

### Report of the Editor of Our Sunday-School Literature.

*Mr. President, Brethren, and Sisters of the Christian Publishing Association:*

Nothing else so well represents a people as its literature. On its pages is found their living thought, while the measure of their progress and the degree of their strength are determined thereby.

The newspaper literature of the Christians reaches back to September 1, 1808, when the first copy of the dear old HERALD OF GOSPEL LIBERTY was issued, thus being the recognized mother of the religious press, an offspring so numerous and world-wide as to make us justly proud of our pioneer work.

We would naturally suppose, however, that a people so happily originating a paper for the home, would have been at least abreast of all denominations, in the preparation of a paper for the youth of our Sunday schools. But strangely, on this line we are to be counted among the churches tardy followers.

While our SUNDAY SCHOOL HERALD was launched in 1865, thirty-three years ago, the publication of the YOUTH'S INSTRUCTOR began forty-four years ago; that of the CHILDREN'S FRIEND at one time an adopted child with us, forty-five years ago; that of the SABBATH SCHOOL VISITOR, forty-eight years ago; that of the MYRTLE, the sweet memory of my own childhood, fifty-five years ago; and that of the SABBATH SCHOOL ADVOCATE, possibly as early as any, fifty-eight years ago.

In our Sabbath-school HELPS, we entered the field abreast of all other denominations, which adopted, and sought to illustrate, the international lessons.

A few words here, bearing on each of our Sabbath-school publications, will not be inappropriate.

Our LITTLE TEACHER, adapted to the wants of our little ones, both as a paper and as a lesson illustrator, was established seventeen years ago. It has been considerably changed since its incipency, by increase of size, in mechanical appearance, and in its variety of general matter. The eye will readily note the changes. The last enlargement, with printing in colors, has been made this year. The October circulation is 15,500 copies, while the summer circulation was considerably larger. We probably reach nearly all our children of the Infant-class age.

The INTERMEDIATE QUARTERLY, until one year ago, and thus for fifteen years, was put forth with a single-page lesson, the space being wholly inadequate to the proper illustration of the lesson text and for that variety of matter which students of that age justly demand. We wonder that we were able to hold the Intermediate classes to the extent we did, with the limited and necessarily indifferent matter we afforded them. That the 15,000 circulation of October, 1893, has grown to 27,000 in October of 1898, shows that our improvements in measure and matter are both appreciated and profitable. A comparison of early and later issues will show marked improvements in size, and on mechanical and literary lines. Instead of a sixteen-page Quarterly, without covers, we now have a thirty-two-page book, with covers and space for a variety of illustrated matter.

The BIBLE CLASS QUARTERLY, adapted to our higher grade of scholars, has, within the year past, been changed from a Help of thirty-two pages to one of forty-eight. It is now equal in size to any similar publication, and as cheap as the cheapest denominational Help. A call for 30,000 copies of the October-December number shows an appreciation that greatly encourages us. A comparison of the early and later issues will show that our Publishing House is making every effort to give our people the best.

The SUNDAY SCHOOL HERALD has been greatly enlarged and otherwise improved during the present year. This improvement is manifest by even casual comparison of the issues of one year ago and those of to-day. There has been nearly a doubling in size, while the paper now used in its make-up is of a greatly improved quality. With a better and fresher class of illustrations, we shall feel no hesitancy in comparing our SUNDAY SCHOOL HERALD with any similar publication. Even now, in size, mechanical appearance, and general matter, we do not suffer by comparison with the best. Our October circulation of 10,000 copies ought to be

increased to an issue of at least 25,000 copies, and by a proper co-operation of superintendents and pastors with the editor and agent, this could be done. With an increase in circulation, the House could afford to double the size of the paper, without increasing the cost to the people. By such enlargement, we could make room for an intermediate department, for which there is somewhat of a demand. We cannot too earnestly urge a larger patronage of the SUNDAY SCHOOL HERALD. When the HELPS are paid for, in many schools the treasury is exhausted, but the schools should not be wholly dependent on themselves for their papers. A special subscription to this end would be a wise investment by the people. Let us reach the 25,000 mark for the SUNDAY SCHOOL HERALD, and so secure the doubling of its size. The first, second, and fifth Sunday issues of the paper are devoted to general matter, while the issue for the third Sabbath is given to temperance, and that of the fourth to mission matter. THE SUNDAY SCHOOL HERALD is the best medium for the education of our children and youth in the special interests of our own Church. Only a broad Christian fellowship finds encouragement in its pages. If we do not have the training of our young people, we may not reasonably hope to hold them when maturity is reached. Few Sabbath-school papers have been more highly favored in correspondents than has our own, especially during the past quadrennium. I hereby gladly express to them the gratitude I feel for their intelligent and voluntary labors, and earnestly solicit a continuance of their helpful communications.

The rightful and reasonable ambition of all denominations is to reach all their homes and schools with their literature. But no denomination does this, and few, if any, are more successful on this line than are the Christians. The circulation of our family press does not much exceed 5,000 copies, which, on the basis of 25,000 homes to the Christians, means that we do not, with our church papers, enter more than one family in five of our people. The chances are that we do not do as well as this. If we fail to enter our homes with our church press, it is not wholly a strange thing that we should fail of entering all our Sabbath schools with our LESSON HELPS.

The most popular publishing house in the world to-day, as regards Sabbath-school supplies, is the house of Cook, of Chicago. Its issues run into the millions of copies. Probably no denominational publishing house has a circulation one-fourth so great. Cook's undenominational house, having a larger circulation by far than any other house, shows that denominational disloyalty to its own publications is very common with all peoples. If no other people can hold all its own schools, why should it be thought so strange that we do not?

By the Year-Book report of 1896 we had 1,259 Sunday schools. This number included all Union schools, in which our people were interested, and no other denomination so freely lends a hand in such schools. From such schools, at best, we can expect only a divided patronage. A goodly number of our schools, especially among the colored people, have no Helps but the New Testament. Still, in October, 1896, when many of our schools were closed for the winter, we were sending supplies to 1,011 of the 1,259 schools. We are confident that no denomination makes a better showing than this. We are doing considerably better in 1898 than in 1896, the date of the Agent's last report.

We have made reasonable and gratifying gains, and the prospect for further gains is very excellent. In 1892 we placed 56,500 Helps in our schools; in 1894, 59,000; in 1896, 61,000; and in 1898, 72,500. These showings are for the October-December quarters, and thus, smaller than for the Summer quarters. The greater proportion of our schools are in the country, and small, so that our average enrollment is probably below the seventy line.

Four things are necessary to the proper enlargement of the general circulation of our Sabbath-school literature. *First*—loyalty in our schools; *second*—the cordial co-operation of our pastors; *third*—every possible facility from our Publishing House; *fourth*, and by no means least,—a prayerful and intelligent service on the part of our Editor. The people should demand the best, and, that they may gain their demands, they should freely and fully suggest needed and desirable improvements to the Editor, Agent, and Board of Trustees. Here, two things should be noticed: *first*—our LITTLE TEACHER, from a four times a month issue, has been made a weekly, and the same is true of the SUNDAY SCHOOL HERALD; *second*—the improvements have added no increased cost to the people, except a slight advance in the INTERMEDIATE QUARTERLY, but even this advance is compensated for, by a decrease in the price of the SUNDAY SCHOOL HERALD.

The credited earnings of the Sabbath-school Department of our literature, for the past two years, have been very large, exceeding \$11,600. The late extended improvements may somewhat reduce these earnings henceforth, but the people will wisely feel greater satisfaction in real improvements than in larger gains.

In conclusion, as I review the past four years, I wish to express the gratitude I feel to my associates in labor, including the clerks, the printers, the foreman, the agent, my editorial associate, and the Board of Trustees, for the marked and uniform courtesy which they have shown me. By not one impatient word, by not the shadow of a frown, has any one darkened my way, or increased the burdens of my work. Kindly accommodation has characterized all.

To the Convention, I owe special thanks for the confidence reposed in me, by entrusting to my hands the interests of their Sabbath-school Department. The support of former Conventions has been wholly voluntary. Not once have I asked the aid of any man by his vote. So-called political methods are unknown to me, and if I were familiar with them, my conscience would forbid their use. There should be, in our Conventions, no interference with the free expression of the wishes of the people. He who serves the people must have, in order to his success and comfort in work, the substantial and cordial support of the people.

Brethren and sisters, may wisdom direct our deliberations, and love, fellowship, and zeal combine, in succeeding years, to foster and further the ends of our great and noble mission as a people.

J. P. WATSON.

## Christian Publishing Association.

### CONSTITUTION AND BY-LAWS.

#### Preamble.

The Christian Publishing Association, in accordance with the plans adopted by the Christian Convention, assembled in Ogden, Henry County, Indiana, on the 14th day of December, 1864, and amended at the several meetings of the Association to wit: At Covington, Ohio, on the 21st day of June, 1870; at Utica, Ohio, on the 11th day of June, 1884; at New Bedford, Massachusetts, October, 1886, and at Marion, Indiana, October, 1890, do adopt the following Constitution:

**ARTICLE I.—Name.**—This organization shall be known as the Christian Publishing Association.

**ARTICLE II.—Object.**—The object of this Association shall be to promote the union of Christians and the conversion of the world by the publication of books, tracts, and periodicals, and to do such other work as may, with propriety, be done by a Christian Publishing Association.

**ARTICLE III.—Meetings.**—SECTION 1.—The regular sessions of this Association shall be held quadrennially in connection with those of the American Christian Convention, at such time and place as shall be mutually agreed upon by the two bodies, or by the Executive Boards thereof; and three months' notice of such meetings shall be published in the *Herald of Gospel Liberty*.

Sec. 2.—Special meetings may be called in the same manner, whenever deemed expedient by the Board of Trustees.

**ARTICLE IV.—Members.**—The members of the American Christian Convention, at the corresponding session thereof, shall, *ex-officio*, be members of this Association.

**ARTICLE V.—Officers.**—The officers of this Association shall consist of a President, a Vice-President, a Secretary, a Treasurer, and a Board of Trustees, all of whom shall be elected by ballot by the Association at its regular session.

**ARTICLE VI.—Trustees.**—SECTION 1.—The Board of Trustees of this Association shall consist of nine (9) members, including its President and Secretary, who shall, *ex-officio*, be members, and also President and Secretary of the Board.

Sec. 2. The Trustees shall have general charge of the business and property of the Association, and shall have such power and responsibility as usually belong to trustees of such an incorporation. A majority of the Trustees shall constitute a quorum.

Sec. 3. Within three months after their election they shall meet and organize and choose an Executive Committee of five (5) persons, who shall perfect a plan of keeping accounts that shall provide a system of checks and vouchers sufficient to protect the Association from loss by its employees.

Sec. 4. The Executive Committee shall have such power as the Trustees may invest in them; may meet when and where they deem useful to the Association; and shall keep a full journal of their proceedings, which shall be submitted to the Trustees for their ratification whenever called for.

Sec. 5. This Association shall, at its quadrennial meeting, elect by ballot such editor, or editors, as the

best interest of the Association may require. Said editor, or editors, shall serve for four (4) years, unless removed by death, or for cause, or shall resign; in either case the vacancy shall be filled by the Board of Trustees as other vacancies are filled. Said Board of Trustees shall have power, *ad interim*, to remove for cause any editor, provided, that any one so removed shall have the right to appeal from such action of said board to the Association at its next meeting thereafter.

Sec. 6. All agents and employes shall give such bonds as the Trustees may deem sufficient to guard the Association against loss.

Sec. 7. All vacancies that may happen, either of officers or Trustees, by refusal to serve, resignation, removal for cause, or in any other manner, shall be filled by the Trustees.

Sec. 8. To remove an editor, officer, or Trustee for cause, two-thirds ( $\frac{2}{3}$ ) of the Trustees must vote for such removal, and the yeas and nays vote be recorded by the Secretary.

Sec. 9. It shall be the duty of the Board of Trustees to present full and elaborate reports of the condition of the Association, submitting the various reports of the Treasurer and agents, and all other reports of subordinates submitted to them, with a report of all their transactions, to the session of this Association at which their term of office expires, or at any other time when called upon by the Association in called or extra session.

**ARTICLE VII.—Legal Papers.**—The President and Secretary of the Board of Trustees shall sign in behalf of the Association all legal instruments of writing in the purchase, sale, or transfer of any real estate, or of any evidence of the indebtedness of the Association.

**ARTICLE VIII.**—The business of the Publishing House shall be conducted, so far as is practicable, on a cash basis. And the agent and other employes shall keep an itemized account of all their transactions, subject to the inspection of any of the Board of Trustees. And all money shall be paid to the Treasurer; and no money shall be paid out by him except on the order of the President of the Board of Trustees or the Executive Committee thereof.

**ARTICLE IX.—Liability of Trustees.**—SECTION 1. For all debts contracted over and above moneys and outstanding assets, Trustees shall be personally liable, except such trustee or trustees as at the time protest against the action and shall have such protest entered upon the minutes.

Sec. 2. The Trustees shall be personally liable for the failure or deficiency of any employe of whom they have not taken sufficient bond and security.

**ARTICLE X.—Fiscal Year.**—The fiscal year of the Association shall commence on the first day of January of each year.

**ARTICLE XI.—Donations.**—Bequests and donations made to this Association must be applied, if for special purpose, in accordance with the expressed wish of the testator or donor.

**ARTICLE XII.—Amendments.**—This Constitution may be amended at any quadrennial meeting of the Association by a two-thirds ( $\frac{2}{3}$ ) vote of all the members present.

### To the Brotherhood.

THE pendulum in the clock of time swings slowly, but it swings surely. It seems but yesterday since the year 1898 was ticked in, yet, when we stop to think seriously, we are almost alarmed to find that we have passed the morning hour and the noon hour of '98, and even now the shadows of the closing year are gathering. Soon this year with its successes and failures will be ticked out, and be a thing of the past for us to think over with delight or sadness. Already the old clock of time is taking on new force, getting ready to strike in the new year of 1899. With the new year will come new duties, new and greater responsibilities. Whether we discharge our duties and carry our responsibilities will depend upon our own decision. It is certainly evident that as members of the Christian Church our responsibilities have never been greater. But we have cause to rejoice, for with great responsibility comes great opportunity. God never increases our duties without increasing our opportunities. He never sends us into new fields without opening the door for us to enter. The opportunity for the Christians is at hand. Shall we embrace it or lean supinely back with our arms folded and permit it to pass by unimproved? Our principles are divine. God gave them, and called us to do aggressive work to establish them. But if we prove recreant to our trust, God will take them from us and give them into hands more faithful. Our work is not

only important, but necessary; necessary because it is important, important because God-given. What is our mission as a church? Simply this: to unify, uplift, and save the world. No one will dispute that this is our mission. Neither will he dispute that such a mission is God-given. Therefore, as obedient children of God, we should help to make it effective. At the late session of the American Christian Convention held at Newmarket, Ontario, Canada, plans were adopted to carry into effect more perfectly our work as a church. If the brotherhood prove loyal to the plans adopted, the next four years will go into our records as four of the brightest years of our history. But that this may be a true prophecy, it is necessary that there be a strong pull and an all pull together. Separate the atoms which make the sledge hammer and they will fall on the rock as snowflakes; but welded together and wielded by the strong arm of the quarryman, they will break the massive rock in pieces. Plans adopted by the American Christian Convention are simply machinery out of motion, and thus ineffective until the church takes hold of them, puts life into them, and sets them going. Sometimes we hear the complaint that the "church is not properly organized." My answer is, we have more organization than we work. What we need is not more organization, but better work in what we have; not more plans, but more loyalty to the plans already adopted; not more

B. M. STODDARD, *Publishing Agent,*MORGAN O. ADAMS, *Treasurer,*

Of the Christian Publishing Association.

liberty, but a better appreciation of liberty. Just one thing will hinder our future success, and that is a free-for-all, go-as-you-please. Un-worked plans are dead letters; worked plans succeed.

It seems to the writer that the showing for the past four years is a creditable one. The report of the Christian Publishing Association is encouraging to every Christian heart. It shows that the trustees, your servants, were noble Christian gentlemen, careful and painstaking, and deserve to be held in the highest esteem of the entire brotherhood. But these brethren did, could only do, what the brotherhood by their coöperation made it possible for them to do. If the brotherhood fail to coöperate with their serv-

ants, the trustees of the Christian Publishing Association (for they are only servants), must fail. And now, in behalf of the present board of trustees, I appeal to the brotherhood, one and all, for hearty and enthusiastic coöperation. I assure you that we are your servants, and have the success of the church at heart. We want that the four years to which you have elected us to office shall bring to the church the largest success possible. Brethren, will you help us make it so? God grant that you may. If, in your opinion, we were not wisely chosen, let your opinion be swallowed up in the general interest of the cause. With malice toward none and love for all, we enter upon our duties to do our best for those who love the church. We need not only your financial aid, but we need your





REV. WILSON D. SAMUEL,  
President Christian Publishing Association.

prayers. I bespeak for all of our denominational enterprises your most earnest support.

About the time the year 1898 is being ticked out, our live, energetic Agent, B. M. Stoddard, will have the CHRISTIANS' ANNUAL for 1899 completed and ready to send out to our churches. The success of our Agent in preparing the ANNUAL in the past fills us with large expecta-

tions. I am sure we shall not be disappointed. I bespeak for it a large sale. A copy should be in every Christian home. We also urge our brethren to work earnestly for our denominational organ, the *Herald of Gospel Liberty*, our Sunday-school literature, and all other publications of the House.

W. D. SAMUEL,  
*President C. P. A.*

### Statistical Key.

THE conferences are divided into eight districts in the following order: NEW ENGLAND—THE SOUTH—NEW YORK, WITH NEW JERSEY, PENNSYLVANIA, AND ONTARIO—OHIO, WITH KENTUCKY—INDIANA, ILLINOIS, WITH MICHIGAN—IOWA, WISCONSIN, NEBRASKA, AND THE NORTHWEST—KANSAS, MISSOURI, AND THE SOUTHWEST—COLORED CONFERENCES.

Each district continues as named at the top of each page through the conference lists. The territory of each conference being given, aids in locating a church, especially when the church clerk's address is given.

To find a particular conference, turn to the Index, last pages. For any picture, see Art Index, last pages.

To find a minister's conference connection, see the Ministerial Directory, the figures there indicating the page on which may be found his complete conference list, where may also be found (on the same line with his name) the church or churches he was serving as pastor Jan. 1, 1899. Any church he may be serving which does not belong to his conference is so indicated by giving the conference connection of the church.

Names of licentiate ministers are set in *italic type*.

Names of churches are set in three styles of type: All churches have Sunday schools, except those set in SMALL CAPITALS. Names of churches set in *italic type* signify that the church also has a Christian Endeavor Society.

The name of a church and its pastor is given on the same line. If the pastor's conference connection is not the same as that of the church, we have so indicated it. Under the name of the church we give the valuation, then the membership, then the name and address of the church clerk.

#### Rev. Isaac H. Coe

Was born in Woodstock, Conn., May 12, 1818. He was the seventh of a family of nine children. In 1832, when about fourteen years old, he was converted. He entered the ministry in 1839 and was ordained September, 1842. There is no one living who participated in his ordination. His ministry has been mostly with poor churches, three of them in Connecticut, beside one Free Baptist Church, to which he preached two years. He served the Bonney Street Church in New Bedford



GEORGES MILLS (N. H.) CHRISTIAN CHURCH.

"The picture will convey some idea of the building in its outward proportions and appearance, and the internal arrangement and decoration are very pleasing. Much of credit for this enterprise is due to our Brother W. W. Chase, of Georges Mills, who made great sacrifices for this cause."

thirty-four and one-half years, and is still an attendant at that church.

#### PUBLIC POSITIONS.

In 1855 he was a member of the House of Representatives in his native State. He was a chaplain in the War of the Rebellion in 1865. In 1866 he was elected representative in the Massachusetts Legislature and was reelected in 1867. In 1873 and 1874 he was elected senator from his district. He was on the school board in New Bedford fifteen years; was connected with the poor department three years; was truant officer four years, probation officer of Third District Court eight years; chaplain almshouse ten years, chaplain house of correction twenty-seven years, and is now agent of the Massachusetts Society for Prevention of Cruelty to Children. Is preaching twice every Sabbath, and usually leads the prayer-meeting on Sunday evening.

Brother Coe has attended more than two thousand funerals and about six hundred marriages; has attended eight funerals in one week within a few months past, some of those several miles from the city. He has attended nine sessions of the Quadrennial Convention and been the president at three sessions. He has always attended Conference unless prevented by sickness, which has been very rare.

Brother Coe was married in 1843 to the daughter of Elder Henry Greenslitt, of Windham, Conn.; she died in April, 1845. In 1846, September 11, he married his present wife, Emily E., daughter of Joel Searles, of Hampton, Conn. He has been a resident



REV. J. H. COE, NEW BEDFORD, MASS.  
Rhode Island and Massachusetts Conference.

of New Bedford nearly forty-two years, enjoys remarkably good health, and does more work than most men of his age. Brother Coe's acquaintance with his brethren in the ministry has been quite extensive, and among the many funerals he has attended he has been present and taken part in the services of twenty-one of the ministers of the Christian denomination. w. n. w.



SOME MEMBERS OF THE NEW ENGLAND CONVENTION. SESSION OF JUNE 7, 1898,  
HELD AT GEORGES MILLS, N. H.

## New England Christian Convention.

(Prepared by the Secretary.)

Organized at Lynn, Mass., Nov. 5, 1845.

*President*, Rev. G. A. Conibear, Providence, R. I.; *Vice-President*, Rev. W. J. Reynolds, New Bedford, Mass.; *Secretary*, Rev. A. H. Morrill, New Bedford, Mass.; *Treasurer*, J. R. Dunham, Providence, R. I.; *S. S. Secretary*, Rev. M. T. Morrill, Woodstock, Vt.; *C. E. Secretary*, Miss Mary A. Rowell, Franklin, N. H.; *Junior C. E. Secretary*, Miss Caroline B. Clark, Freetown, Mass.

This convention is composed of delegates, lay and clerical, from the conferences, and meets annually in June.

### HOME AND FOREIGN MISSIONARY SOCIETY.

Organized at Lynn, Mass., Nov. 5, 1845.

Incorporated by Mass. Legislature, March, 1866.  
*President*, Rev. G. A. Conibear; *Vice-President*, Rev. T. S. Weeks, Swansea Center, Mass.; *Secretary*, Rev. A. H. Morrill; *Treasurer*, J. R. Dunham.

### EDUCATIONAL SOCIETY.

Incorporated by Mass. Legislature, March, 1863.

*President*, Rev. G. A. Conibear; *Vice-President*, Rev. T. S. Weeks; *Secretary*, Rev. A. H. Morrill; *Treasurer*, J. R. Dunham; *Trustees*, E. L. Goodwin, Rev. M. Tyler, Rev. J. G. Dutton.

These two societies are composed of life and annual members, and meet annually at same time and place as the convention.

## Rhode Island and Mass. Conference.

(Reported by Secretary Shank.)

*Territory*—Rhode Island, Southeastern Mass., and Eastern Conn.

Next session, at So Portsmouth, R. I., September 12, 1899.

*President*, Rev. A. H. Morrill, New Bedford, Mass.; *Vice-President*, Rev. T. S. Weeks, Swansea Center, Mass.; *Secretary*, Rev. C. H. Shank, No Dighton, Mass.; *Treasurer*, J. R. Dunham, Providence, R. I.

### MINISTERS, ADDRESSES, PASTORATES.

Anthony, Gould, Fall River, Mass.—No pastorate  
Baker, M W, New Haven, Conn.—(Yale student)  
Barry, J E, 79 Wymen St, Jamaica Plain, Mass.—  
(Childrens Mission)  
Batchelor, B S, Asheville, N C—No pastorate  
Bean, A L, Taunton, Mass—(Cong.)  
Clayton, B F, Franklin, Ohio—(Dentist)  
Coe, I H, New Bedford, Mass—Acushnet, (Chaplain  
New Bedford House of Correction)  
Conibear, G A, Providence, R I—Providence  
Flanders, W B, New Bedford, Mass—New Bedford  
(Bonney St)—New Bedford (Spruce St)  
Fry, E C, Sendai, Japan—(Foreign missionary)  
Green-litt, G W, Danielson, Conn—No pastorate  
Gustin, Ellen G, Brant Rock, Mass—No pastorate  
Honsberger, M J, W Mansfield, Mass—Mansfield (W)  
Howard, Lester, Stanfordsville, N Y—(Prof C B I)  
Howar1, T W, Antlers, Colo—(Home missionary)  
Johnson, Chas J, Westport, Mass—Westport (Central  
Village)—Westport (South)  
Kennedy, G W, Moosup Valley, R I—No pastorate  
Lewis, J M, No Springfield, Vt—No pastorate  
Luther, Nelson, Rockland, R I—No pastorate  
MacCalman, Jno, Lewisburg, Pa—No pastorate  
May, Edward H, No Westport, Mass—Westport  
(—Brownells Corners)  
McCrone, H W, So Portsmouth, R I—Ports'h (So)  
Morrill, Geo E, Westerly, R I—Westerly  
Miller, Wm, Swansea Center, Mass—Westport (No)  
Morrill, A H, New Bedford, Mass—New Bedford  
(Middle St)  
Morton, A G, Lubeck, Me—Superannuated  
Nichols, R J, Hampton, Conn—No pastorate  
Parker, Chas, No Scituate, R I—No pastorate  
Phillips, E R, Rye, N H—No pastorate  
Reynolds, W J, New Bedford, Mass—New Bed-  
ford (First)



REV. J. E. BARRY, BOSTON, MASS.

### Rhode Island and Massachusetts Conference.

Shank, C H, No Dighton, Mass—Dighton (North)—  
Smith, C P, Greene, R I—Rice City (Dighton) (West)  
Smith, J Stillman, W Roxbury, 48 Wren St, Boston,  
Mass—No pastorate  
Sweet, W O, Apponaug, R I—No pastorate  
Tillinghast, C A, Stanfordsville, N Y (Prof C B I)  
Weeks, T S, Swansea Center, Mass—Swansea  
West, E W (address unknown)

Ordained, 35; licentiates, 2. Died since last report,  
William Faunce.

### CHURCH, PASTOR, VALUE, MEMBERS, CLERK. (See p. 100)

*Acushnet*—I H Coe, New Bedford, Mass  
\$1,500. 37—Mrs S Pratt, Acushnet, Mass  
*Boston*—Supplied [Mass  
\$75,000. 40—F H Montgomery, 5 James St, Boston,  
*DARTMOUTH* (Bakersville)—No pastor  
\$2,000. 26—No clerk reported  
*DARTMOUTH* (Hixville)—John Parris (Conf ?)  
\$1,000. 25—Mrs John F Mosher, Shawmut, New  
Bedford, Mass  
*Dartmouth* (Smiths Mills)—C E Luck (Miami O),  
500 Pine St, Fall River, Mass  
\$ 700. 35—Mrs Abbie A Tucker, N Dartmouth, Mass  
*Dighton* (North)—C H Shank, No Dighton, Mass  
\$1,200. 40—Silas L Dean, Taunton, Mass  
*Dighton* (West)—C H Shank, No Dighton, Mass  
\$1,200. 31—Mrs Geo W Chase, W Dighton, Mass  
*Fall River* (Bogle St)—R R Shoemaker (Conf ?), 108  
Bogle St, Fall River, Mass [River, Mass  
\$16,000. 132—Chas J Bauerle, 15 Prevost St, Fall  
*Fall River* (First)—C E Luck (Miami O), Fall River  
\$20,000. 400—Edward Thurston, Fall River, Mass  
*Fall River* (North)—G H Allen (Baptist), Steep  
Brook, Mass  
\$2,500. 85—H H Simmons, Steep Brook, Mass  
*POSTER CENTER*—No pastor  
\$1,500. 69—Walter I Stone, Auburn, R I  
*Freetown* (Assonet)—No pastor  
\$5,000. 69—B F Aiken, Freetown, Mass  
*Freetown* (East)—(Supplied by a student)  
\$5,000. 43—Hannah J Harper, East Freetown, Mass  
*HOWARD VALLEY*—No pastor  
\$ 500. 25—No clerk reported  
*Mansfield* (W)—M J Honsberger, W Mansfield, Mass  
\$4,000. 75—W A Crowley, West Mansfield, Mass

**Vermont State Conference.**

(Reported by Rev. M. T. Morrill for Secretary Scholefield.)

*Territory*—Theoretically, the whole State; actually, the northern half, as we have no churches in the southern half.

Next session, at Lincoln, Vt., September 7, 1899.  
*President*, Rev. G. W. Morrow, Randolph, Vt.;  
*Vice-President*, Rev. M. T. Morrill, Woodstock, Vt.;  
*Secretary*, Rev. C. H. Scholefield, North Shrewsbury, Vt.; *Treasurer*, J. J. Rhoads, Lincoln, Vt.

MINISTERS, ADDRESSES, PASTORATES.

Foster, Silas, Cambridge, Vt.—No pastorate [Ind]  
 Matteson, Charles E., Staunton, Ind.—Staunton (W)  
 McDonald, J. J., Belvidere, Vt.—Belvidere  
 Morrill, M. T., Woodstock, Vt.—Woodstock  
 Morrow, G. W., Randolph, Vt.—Randolph  
 Scholefield, C. H., N. Shrewsbury, Vt.—N. Shrewsbury  
 Sisco, H. C., Jay, Vt.—No pastorate  
 Wheeler, B. F., Worcester, Vt.—No pastorate  
 Ordained, 8.

CHURCH, PASTOR, VALUE, MEMBERS, CLERK. (See p. 100)

*Belvidere and Waterville*—J. J. McDonald, Belvidere, \$ 500. 21—J. H. Fletcher, Belvidere, Vt. [Vt  
*Calais*—No pastor  
 \$ 500. 38—Mrs M. L. Fuller, Calais, Vt  
*Lincoln*—Supplied  
 \$1,000. 41—Mrs Josie L. Morgan, Lincoln, Vt  
*N. Shrewsbury*—C. H. Scholefield, N. Shrewsbury, Vt. \$ 300. 46—Mrs J. B. Johnson, N. Shrewsbury, Vt  
*Randolph*—G. W. Morrow, Randolph, Vt  
 \$15,000. 200—H. C. Allen, Randolph, Vt  
*Woodstock*—M. T. Morrill, Woodstock, Vt  
 \$18,000. 231—Chas H. English, Woodstock, Vt

6 churches—town, 2; country, 4. Preaching, full time, 5; no pastor, 1. Totals—valuation, \$35,500; membership, 583. Endeavor societies, 5; Sunday schools, 6.



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*MATTAPOISETT*—No pastor  
 \$ 000. 10—No clerk reported  
*Moosup Valley*—No pastor  
 \$1,200. 52—J. W. Phillips, Moosup Valley, R. I.  
*New Bedford (Bonney St)*—W. B. Flanders, 16 Homer St., New Bedford, Mass [Bedford, Mass  
 \$5,000. 76—Edward C. Sherman, 119 5th St., New Bedford (First)—W. J. Reynolds, New Bedford, \$75,000. 400—S. D. Ottiwell, New Bedford, Mass [Mass  
*New Bedford (Middle St)*—A. H. Morrill, 475 Cottage St., New Bedford, Mass [Bedford, Mass  
 \$10,000. 234—Chas. A. V. Terry, 245 Chestnut St., New Bedford (Spruce St)—W. B. Flanders, New Bedford, \$6,000. 67—Sarah E. Bowen, 227 Cedar St., New Bedford.  
*Portsmouth (South)*—H. W. McCrone, S. Portsmouth, \$6,000. 102—Elbert S. Sisson, S. Portsmouth, R. I. [R. I.  
*Providence*—G. A. Conibear, Providence, R. I. [R. I.  
 \$25,000. 171—Chas. E. Barrett, 31 Carter St., Providence.  
*REHOBOTH (So)*—No pastor  
 \$1,200. 22—C. H. Pierce, So. Rehoboth, Mass  
*Rice City*—C. P. Smith, Greene, R. I.  
 \$2,500. 75—Emma A. Fairbank, Greene, R. I.  
*Rockland*—No pastor  
 \$2,000. 98—Sarah E. Olney, Rockland, R. I.  
*Somerset (Pottersville)*—No pastor  
 \$5,000. 116—Ira Hathaway, Pottersville, Mass  
*Swansea*—T. S. Weeks, Swansea Center, Mass  
 \$5,500. 113—Susie C. Phillips, Swansea Center, Mass  
*Westerly*—John G. Dutton (Rock), Westerly, R. I.  
 \$15,000. 277—Chas. H. Ledward, Westerly, R. I.  
*Westport (Brownells Corners)*—Edward H. Macy, No Westport, Mass  
 \$1,000. 29—Nannie C. Brownell, Westport, Mass  
*Westport (Central Village)*—Chas. J. Johnson, Westport, Mass [Mass  
 \$1,000. 34—Joseph Artingstall, Central Village, Westport (North)—Wm. Miller, Swansea Center, Mass  
 \$2,500. 81—Frank S. Petty, No Westport, Mass  
*Westport (South)*—Chas. J. Johnson, Westport, Mass  
 \$1,500. 37—James Smith, So. Westport, Mass

33 churches—town, 23; country, 10. Preaching, full time, 24; no pastor, 9. Totals—valuation, \$305,500; membership, 3,177. Endeavor societies, 26; Sunday schools, 27.



REV. J. J. McDONALD, BELVIDERE, VT.  
 Vermont State Conference.



REV. J. H. MUGRIDGE, NO. SACO, ME.  
President York and Cumberland Conference.

### York and Cumberland Conference.

(Reported by Secretary Moulton.)

*Territory*—York, Cumberland, and Oxford counties, Maine, and one church in New Hampshire.

Next session, at Center Lovell, Me., Sept. 22, 1899.

*President*, Rev. J. H. Mugridge, North Saco, Me.;  
*Secy. and Treas.*, David Moulton, York Corner, Me.

#### MINISTERS, ADDRESSES, PASTORATES.

Baker, Chas L, Sharon, Mass—No pastorate  
*Coffin*, Leslie E, Stanfordsville, N Y—No pastorate  
Goodwin, Chas E, Dover, N H—No pastorate  
Graves, Jos H, Exeter, N H—Superannuated  
Hardway, H G, Freedom, N H—Freedom  
Heikes, N M, Ogunquit, Me—York and Wells  
Knight, Z, So Berwick, Me—So Berwick Jet—So Ber-  
Moses, T G, York Corner, Me—York [wick and Wells  
Mugridge, J H, No Saco, Me—Blue Point—Harpwell  
—No Saco

Ridlon, N T, No Hampton, N H—No Hampton (Rock)

Ordained, 9; licentiate, 1.

#### CHURCH, PASTOR, VALUE, MEMBERS, CLERK. (See p. 100)

*Blue Point*—J H Mugridge, No Saco, Me  
\$1,000. 30—Mrs H E Leavitt, Pine Point, Me  
*Center Lovell*—J W Grindell (Me), Center Lovell, Me  
\$3,000. 146—H W Palmer, Center Lovell, Me  
*Freedom*—H G Hardway, Freedom, N H  
\$3,000. 53—D W Taylor, Freedom, N H  
*Harpwell*—J H Mugridge, No Saco, Me  
\$ 800. 15—Wm Worthing, Cundys Harbor, Me  
Mt Agamenticus—No pastor  
\$1,000. 25—Alvah Wafton, Cape Neddick, Me  
No Saco—J H Mugridge, No Saco, Me  
\$1,000. 136—Alpheus Libby, No Saco, Me  
Sanford and Lebanon—No pastor  
\$1,000. 46—Geo L Stillings, Springvale, Me  
*So Berwick Jet*—Z Knight, So Berwick, Me  
\$1,000. 75—D A Ford, So Berwick, Me [wick, Me  
*So Berwick New Years*—H E Smith (Conf?), So Ber-  
\$1,200. 63—S J Nason, So Berwick, Me  
So Berwick and Wells—Z Knight, So Berwick, Me  
\$1,500. 132—Aaron Bragdon, So Berwick, Me  
*York*—T G Moses, York Corner, Me  
\$12,000. 123—David Moulton, York Corner, Me



REV. W. S. MORRILL, SO. DANBURY, N. H.  
Merrimac Conference.

### Merrimac Conference.

(Reported by Secretary Francis.)

*Territory*—Nine churches in five counties. One in  
Grafton Co., one in Sullivan Co., two in Belknap Co.,  
four in Merrimac Co., and one in Cheshire Co., N. H.

Next session (place not decided), Oct. —, 1899.

*President*, J. H. Rowell, Franklin, N. H.; *Vice-  
President*, F. R. Woodward, Hill, N. H.; *Secretary  
and Treas.*, Rev. Edward Francis, East Grafton, N. H.

#### MINISTERS, ADDRESSES, PASTORATES.

Estes, B F, Hill, N H—Hill Center  
Everingham, J E, Laconia, N H—Laconia  
Francis, Edward, East Grafton, N H—Grafton  
Hinkley, Seth, Ogunquit, Me—Superannuated  
Morrill, W S, South Danbury, N H—South Danbury  
Phillips, L W, Franklin, N H—Franklin  
Phillips, J R, York, Me—Superannuated  
Scott, Jas F, Westmoreland Depot, N H—Walpole  
Wright, E H, Hill, N H—Hill Village  
Young, John, Sunapee, N H—Superannuated  
Ordained, 10

#### CHURCH, PASTOR, VALUE, MEMBERS, CLERK. (See p. 100)

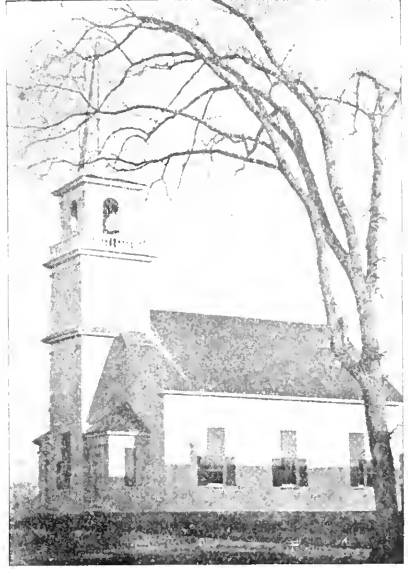
*Belmont*—O J Hancock (Rock), Belmont, N H  
\$3,000. 61—H C Adams, Belmont, N H  
*Franklin*—L W Phillips, Franklin, N H  
\$10,000. 185—Miss C E Rowell, Franklin, N H  
*Georges Mills*—Supplied by a Baptist student  
\$3,400. 24—Austin W Russell, Georges Mills, N H  
*Grafton*—Edward Francis, East Grafton, N H  
\$3,300. 31—Jane E Martin, Grafton Center, N H  
*Hill Center*—B F Estes, Hill, N H  
\$1,000. 41—C M Cilly, Hill, N H  
*Hill Village*—E H Wright, Hill, N H  
\$5,000. 67—Nellie J Hathorn, Hill, N H  
*Laconia*—J E Everingham, Laconia, N H  
\$3,000. 160—O E Bingham, 17 Bogle St, Laconia, N H  
*So Danbury*—W S Morrill, So Danbury, N H  
\$1,500. 49—W W Walker, So Danbury, N H

*York and Wells*—N M Heikes, Ogunquit, Me  
\$5,000. 130—D W Perkins, Ogunquit, Me

12 churches—town, 4; country, 8. Preaching, full  
time, 8; half time, 2; no pastor, 2. Totals—valua-  
tion, \$34,500; membership, 972. Endeavor societies,  
5; Sunday schools, 12.



REV. J. W. CARD, ALBION, ME.  
Secretary Maine Christian Conference.



CHRISTIAN CHURCH, ALBION, ME.  
Rev. J. W. Card, Pastor.

Walpole—Jas F Scott, Westmoreland Depot, N H  
\$ 800. 27—H E Houghton, Westmoreland Depot.  
9 churches—town, 4; country, 5. Preaching, full  
time, 9. Totals—valuation, \$31,000; membership, 645.  
Endeavor societies, 8; Sunday schools, 9.

### Maine Conference.

(Reported by Secretary Card.)

*Territory*—Central, Eastern, and Northern Maine.  
Next session, Millbridge, Me., September —, 1899.  
*President*, Rev. J. W. Webster, Newport, Me.;  
*Vice-President*, O. O. Crosby, Albion, Me.; *Secretary*,  
Rev. J. W. Card, Albion, Me.; *Treasurer*, John Mills,  
Newport, Me.

#### MINISTERS, ADDRESSES, PASTORATES.

Baddershall, T, Dixmont Center, Me—Superannuated  
Bartlett, Rufus, Hermon, Me—Dixmont (East)  
Burrill, S L, Hermon, Me—Newburg (Second)  
Card, J W, Albion, Me—Albion—Athens  
Clark, Susan, Parkman, Me—Superannuated [torate  
*Ellingwood*, Chas, Ellingwood Corners, Me—No pas-  
Grindell, J W, Center Lovell, Me—Center Lovell (Y  
Hewes, Chas E, Bangor, Me—No pastorate [ & C)  
Horn, Spencer, Dover, Me—No pastorate  
Humphrey, T P, Hamden Corner, Me—Corinna  
Lake, Charles W, Newburg Center, Me—Stetson. E  
Newport (Conf?)  
Lang, Wm H, St Albans, Me—No pastorate  
Maben, B S, Manchester, N H—No pastorate  
McKeen, S H, West Bangor, Me—Bangor—Hermon  
McLaughlin, H H, Carmel, Me—Palmyra (West)—  
Pitcher, C S, Blaine, Me—No pastorate [Charleston  
Potter, George, Monticello, Me—Monticello  
Reed, B P, Fairfield, Me—Clinton—Fairfield (North)  
Thomas, M, North Carmel, Me—No pastorate  
*Thurlough*, Sidney, East Dixmont, Me—No pastorate  
Ward, F O, Augusta, Me—Augusta  
Washburn, James, Parkman, Me—Newport (North)  
Webster, J W, Newport, Me—Newport  
Wheeler, S G, Easton, Me—No pastorate  
Ordained, 22; licentiates, 2.

CHURCH, PASTOR, VALUE, MEMBERS, CLERK. (See p.100)  
Albion—J W Card, Albion, Me  
\$4,000. 101—Ora O Crosby, Albion, Me

ATHENS—J W Card, Albion, Me  
\$ 000. 7—C T W Rowell, Athens, Me  
Augusta—F O Ward, Augusta, Me  
\$7,500. 74—John O Boyes, Augusta, Me  
Bangor—S H McKeen, West Bangor, Me  
\$2,000. 91—A G Greeley, No. 16 13th St., Bangor, Me  
CHARLESTON—H H McLaughlin, Carmel, Me  
\$ 000. 31—J A Brooks, Charleston, Me  
Clinton—B P Reed, Fairfield, Me  
\$1,500. 28—Abner True, Clinton, Me  
Corinna—T P Humphrey, Hamden Corner, Me  
\$4,000. 53—E P Burrill, Corinna, Me  
Dixmont (East)—Rufus Bartlett, Hermon, Me  
\$ 000. 110—J R Smith, East Dixmont, Me  
FAIRFIELD (North)—B F Reed, Fairfield, Me  
\$1,200. 25—Almira W Tibbets, No Fairfield, Me  
Hermon—S H McKeen, West Bangor, Me  
\$ 600. 37—E H Clements, Hermon Center, Me  
Millbridge—Edward C Hall (N Y E), Millbridge, Me  
\$ 600. 51—H L Brown, Millbridge, Me  
Monticello—George Potter, Monticello, Me  
\$2,000. 34—Frank G Foster, Monticello, Me,  
Newburg (Second)—S L Burrill, Hermon, Me  
\$ 000. 20—C H Whitcomb, Newburg Center, Me  
Newport—J W Webster, Newport, Me  
\$2,000. 59—I E Miles, Newport, Me  
Newport (North)—James Washburn, Parkman, Me  
\$ 600. 45—J E Marsh, No Newport, Me  
No Canaan and West Hartland—No pastor  
\$ 000. 17—Chas P Nye, Canaan, Me  
Palmyra (West)—H H McLaughlin, Carmel, Me  
\$ 000. 20—Wm M Gitchell, Pittsfield, Me  
Palmyra—No pastor  
\$4,000. 31—C M Jewett, Palmyra, Me  
Parkman—No pastor  
\$1,000. 27—L Tyler, Parkman, Me  
Ripley—No pastor  
\$2,500. 50—S S Parker, Ripley, Me  
Stetson—Charles W Lake, Newburg Center, Me  
\$ 000. 29—W B Ireland, Stetson, Me  
Winterport (West)—No pastor  
\$ 300. 19—F A Parker, West Winterport, Me

22 churches—town, 7; country, 15. Preaching, full  
time, 6; half time, 6; once per month, 5; no pastor, 5  
Totals—valuation, \$30,800; membership, 959. En-  
deavor societies, 6; Sunday schools, 19.



REV. JOHN A. GOSS, HAVERHILL, MASS.  
Rockingham Conference.

### Rockingham Conference.

(Reported by Secretary Wolfe.)

*Territory*—Southern half of New Hampshire, three churches in Maine, two in Mass.

Next session (place not decided), Oct. —, 1899.

*President*, Rev. Myron Tyler, Portsmouth, N. H.;  
*Vice-President*, Rev. Thomas Taylor, Newton, N. H.;  
*Secretary*, Rev. M. D. Wolfe, Haverhill, Mass.; *Assistant Secretary*, Rev. Geo. H. Kent, York Corner, Me.; *Treasurer*, C. D. Garland, West Rye, N. H.

#### MINISTERS, ADDRESSES, PASTORATES.

Amazeen, E. K., Kittery Point, Me.—Kittery Point  
Beebe, G. A., Rye Center, N. H.—Rye [(First)  
Boatright, D. A., Stratham, N. H.—Stratham  
Borthwick, M. W., Manchester, N. H.—No pastorate  
Bruce, James E., Lynn, Mass.—Lynn [tonboro  
Cook, Chas. W., Center Tuftonboro, N. H.—Center Tuft-  
Day, N., Newton, N. H.—Superannuated (Mass)  
Dutton, John G., Westerly, R. I.—Westerly (R. I. and  
Goss, John A., Haverhill, Mass.—No pastorate  
Greenleaf, E. S., Lynn, Mass.—No pastorate  
Hancock, O. J., Belmont, N. H.—Belmont (Merrimac)  
Kent, Geo. H., York Corner, Me.—York and Kittery  
Murray, D. B., Boston, Mass.—No pastorate  
Taylor, Thomas, Newton, N. H.—Newton  
Tyler, Myron, Portsmouth, N. H.—Portsmouth  
Wilson, Joel, Kittery Depot, Me.—Superannuated  
Wolfe, M. D., Haverhill, Mass.—Haverhill (Old South)  
Ordained, 17.

CHURCH, PASTOR, VALUE, MEMBERS, CLERK. (See p. 100)

*Center Tuftonboro*—Chas. W. Cook, Center Tuftonboro, N. H.  
\$2,000. 55—F. L. Hersey, Center Tuftonboro, N. H.  
*Eastport*—No pastor  
\$1,000. 279—Mrs. Sadie Hallett, Eastport, Me.  
HAMPTON FALLS—No pastor  
\$1,000. 11—No clerk reported [Mass  
*Haverhill*—(Old South)—M. D. Wolfe, Haverhill,  
\$12,000. 180—W. D. Stearns, Haverhill, Mass.  
*Kittery Point* (First)—E. K. Amazeen, Kittery Point,  
\$2,500. 90—F. D. Grace, Kittery Point, Me. [Me  
*Kittery* (Second)—No pastor  
\$11,700. 166—Geo. F. Manent, Kittery, Me.  
Lynn—James E. Bruce, Lynn, Mass. [Mass  
\$7,000. 15—Wm. M. Bartlett, 72 Jackson St., Lynn,



REV. J. E. EVERINGHAM, LACONIA, N. H.  
Merrimac Conference.

*Manchester*—Edwin Morrell (N. Y. E.), Manchester,  
\$6,000. 100—W. H. Cate, Manchester, N. H. [N. H.  
NEW CASTLE—No pastor  
\$2,000. 25—H. M. Curtis, New Castle, N. H.  
*Newton*—Thomas Taylor, Newton, N. H.  
\$6,000. 108—J. N. Rowell, Newton Junction, N. H.  
*North Hampton*—N. T. Riddon (Y. & C.), No Hampton,  
\$2,000. 39—N. B. Marston, No Hampton, N. H. [N. H.  
*Portsmouth*—Myron Tyler, Portsmouth, N. H.  
\$7,500. 134—A. R. Jenkins, Portsmouth, N. H.  
*Rye*—G. A. Beebe, Rye Center, N. H.  
\$8,000. 118—C. W. Lang, Rye, N. H. [Mass  
*Salisbury Point*—Jos. Lambert (Conf?), Amesbury,  
\$12,000. 70—M. A. True, Salisbury Point, Mass.  
*Stratham*—D. A. Boatright, Stratham, N. H.  
\$3,000. 30—James T. Roby, Stratham, N. H.  
*Wolfboro*—P. A. Canada (N. Y. E.), Wolfboro, N. H.  
\$6,000. 73—Wm. Rogers, Wolfboro, N. H.  
*York and Kittery*—Geo. H. Kent, York Corner, Me.  
\$1,000. 34—Alsbury J. Goodwin, York Corner, Me.

17 churches—town, 9; country, 8. Preaching, full time, 13; no pastor, 4. Totals—valuation, \$93,700; membership, 1,560. Endeavor societies, 13; Sunday schools, 15.

### Recapitulation—New England.

(Last Year)

TOTALS—Ministers, 100; ord., 95; licentiate, 5. 100 churches—town, 49; country, 51. Preaching, full time, 58; half time, 15; once per month, 5; no pastor, 22. Valuation, \$530,125; average valuation, \$5,301. Membership, 7,804; average membership, 78. Endeavor societies, 69; no Endeavor, 31. Sunday schools, 91; no Sunday schools, 9.

### Recapitulation—New England.

(This Year)

TOTALS—Ministers, 106; ord., 101; licentiate, 5. 99 churches—town, 49; country, 50. Preaching, full time, 58; half time, 8; once per month, 5; no pastor, 21. Valuation, \$534,000; average valuation, \$5,360. Membership, 7,896; average membership, 79. Endeavor societies, 66; no Endeavor, 33. Sunday schools, 88; no Sunday schools, 11.





JOHN A. MILLS, RALEIGH, N. C.

President Raleigh and Cape Fear Railway Co.  
Treasurer of the Southern Christian Convention.

### Southern Christian Convention.

(Reported by Secretary Kernodde.)

**Territory**—The Southern Christian Convention is composed of the following conferences: Virginia Valley Conference, J. S. Kagey, Secretary, Sky, Va.; Georgia and Alabama Conference, J. W. Payne, Secretary, Driver, Ala.; Eastern Virginia Conference, T. J. Lawrence, Secretary, South Quay, Va.; Western N. C. Conference, Rev. P. T. Way, Secretary, Durham, N. C.; N. C. and Va. Conference, Rev. J. W. Holt, Secretary, Burlington, N. C.; Eastern N. C. Conference, Rev. Jas. L. Foster, Secretary, Raleigh, N. C.

Next session, at Franklin, Va., May, 1900.

**President**, Rev. W. W. Staley, Suffolk, Va.; **Vice-President**, Rev. J. W. Wellons, Durham, N. C.; **Secretary**, P. J. Kernodde, 712 E. Leigh St., Richmond, Va.; **Assistant Secretary**, S. A. Holleman, Elon College, N. C.; **Treasurer**, J. A. Mills, Raleigh, N. C.

The Home Mission work of the convention, as shown by the report of the Christian Missionary Association, at the meeting of the convention, at Raleigh, N. C., last May, is in successful operation.

The convention has also inaugurated plans for an orphanage, for which considerable funds have already been contributed.

### Eastern Virginia Conference.

(Reported by Secretary Lawrence.)

**Territory**—Comprises southeastern part of Virginia and part of Gates Co., N. C.

Next session, at Waverly Church, Oct. 31, 1899.

**President**, Rev. W. S. Long, Elon College, N. C.; **Secretary**, T. J. Lawrence, South Quay, Va.; **Treasurer**, W. H. Jones, Jr., Suffolk, Va.

#### MINISTERS, ADDRESSES, PASTORATES.

Barrett, J. P., Norfolk, Va.—Norfolk|Zion—N Lebanon  
Barrett, J. W., Windsor, Va.—Johnsons Grove—Mt  
Butler, H. H., Suffolk, Va.—Antioch—Bethlehem—  
Cypress Chapel—Mt Carmel |ley  
Butler, M. W., Berkley, Va.—Berea (Norfolk)—Berk-  
Charnock, Roger, New Bedford, Mass—No pastorate

Harrell, J. W., Waverly, Va.—Barretts—Bethany—  
Burtons Grove—Centerville—Emporia—Spring  
Hurley, M. L., Elon College, N. C.—No pastorate |Hill  
Holland, R. H., Holland, Va.—No pastorate  
Johnson, I. W., Windsor, Va.—Holland—Isle of Wight  
C. H.—Oakland—Windsor  
Kitchen, J. T., Windsor, Va.—Ivor—Union (South-  
ampton)—Union (Surry)

Lassiter, L. L., Elon College, N. C.—No pastorate  
Long, W. S., Elon College, N. C. (Ag't. Elon College)  
Moore, H. C., Charlottesville, Va.—No pastorate  
Newman, N. G., Franklin, Va.—Berea (Nansemond)—  
Franklin—Holy Neck

Porter, M. P., Norfolk, Va.—No pastorate  
Staley, W. W., Suffolk, Va.—Suffolk

Ordained, 11; licentiates, 2. Died since last re-  
port, W. J. Laine.

CHURCH, PASTOR, VALUE, MEMBERS, CLERK. (See p. 100)

Antioch—H. H. Butler, Suffolk, Va.  
\$2,000. 237—N. B. Mumford, Windsor, Va.  
Barretts—J. W. Harrell, Waverly, Va.  
\$ 600. 128—J. D. Pond, Airfield, Va.  
Berea (Nansemond)—N. G. Newman, Suffolk, Va.  
\$5,000. 98—F. M. Arthur, Deans, Va.  
Berea (Norfolk)—M. W. Butler, Berkley, Va.  
\$1,500. 153—M. W. Hollowell, Greatbridge, Va.  
Berkley—M. W. Butler, Berkley, Va.  
\$7,000. 158—S. M. Smith, Berkley, Va.  
Bethany—J. W. Harrell, Waverly, Va.  
\$1,200. 62—T. J. Lawrence, South Quay, Va.  
Bethlehem—H. H. Butler, Suffolk, Va.  
\$1,500. 232—J. W. Folk, Suffolk, Va.  
Burtons Grove—J. W. Harrell, Waverly, Va.  
\$1,000. 120—E. W. Carroll, Wakefield, Va.  
Centerville—J. W. Harrell, Waverly, Va.  
\$ 250. 36—W. M. Ferguson, Disputanta, Va.  
Cypress Chapel—H. H. Butler, Suffolk, Va.  
\$2,000. 245—A. L. Harrell, Cypress Chapel, Va.  
Damascus—R. H. Peel (Va. V), Savage Crossing, Va.  
\$ 800. 266—J. R. Corbett, Sundbury, N. C.  
Emporia—J. W. Harrell, Waverly, Va.  
\$ 000. 37—No clerk reported  
Eures—R. H. Peel (Va. V), Savage Crossing, Va.  
\$ 800. 178—W. M. Sparkman, Eures, N. C.  
Franklin—N. G. Newman, Franklin, Va.  
\$3,000. 45—Annie Lee Gardner, Franklin, Va.  
Holland—I. W. Johnson, Windsor, Va.  
\$1,800. 211—R. H. Holland, Holland, Va.  
Holy Neck—N. G. Newman, Franklin, Va.  
\$3,000. 433—Julius T. Rawles, Box Elder, Va.  
Isle of Wight C. H.—I. W. Johnson, Windsor, Va.  
\$1,500. 93—R. L. Spivey, Isle of Wight C. H., Va.  
Ivor—J. T. Kitchen, Windsor, Va.  
\$1,000. 36—B. H. Laine, Ivor, Va.  
Johnsons Grove—J. W. Barrett, Windsor, Va.  
\$1,000. 76—J. W. Johnson, Vicksville, Va. [Va  
Liberty Spring—R. H. Peel (Va. V), Savage Crossing,  
\$1,500. 197—F. E. Parker, Savage Crossing, Va.  
Mt Carmel—H. H. Butler, Suffolk, Va.  
\$1,200. 190—R. E. Turner, Windsor, Va.  
Mt Zion—J. W. Barrett, Windsor, Va.  
\$2,000. 86—G. W. Haughwout, Crittenden, Va.  
New Lebanon—J. W. Barrett, Windsor, Va.  
\$1,000. 78—O. V. Cokes, Sexton, Va.  
Norfolk—J. P. Barrett, Norfolk, Va.  
\$25,000. 251—M. J. W. White, Norfolk, Va.  
Oakland—I. W. Johnson, Windsor, Va.  
\$2,500. 136—E. C. Ramsey, Chuckatuck, Va.  
Providence—G. W. Tickle (Conf.), Norfolk, Va.  
\$2,500. 77—F. L. Porttice, Norfolk, Va.  
Sarem—R. H. Peel (Va. V), Savage Crossing, Va.  
\$ 000. 32—C. J. Savage, Sarem, N. C.  
Spring Hill—J. W. Harrell, Waverly, Va.  
\$1,000. 102—C. C. Richardson, Dun, Va.  
Suffolk—W. W. Staley, Suffolk, Va.  
\$30,000. 398—B. F. Catehlin, Suffolk, Va.  
Union (Southampton)—J. T. Kitchen, Windsor, Va.  
\$ 800. 101—J. I. Joyner, Isaac, Va.  
Union (Surry)—J. T. Kitchen, Windsor, Va.  
\$1,000. 90—C. W. Whitmore, Sexton, Va.  
Waverly—No pastor  
\$1,500. 117—R. T. West, Waverly, Va.  
Windsor—I. W. Johnson, Windsor, Va.  
\$1,500. 58—T. Edwin Baird, Windsor, Va.  
33 churches—town, 7; country, 26. Preaching, full  
time, 3; half time, 2; once per month, 27; no pastor,  
1. Totals—valuation, \$106,450; membership, 4,187.  
Endeavor societies, 4; Sunday schools, 33.



ELON COLLEGE, NORTH CAROLINA. REV. W. W. STALEY, D.D., PRESIDENT.

### North Carolina and Virginia.

(Reported by Secretary Holt.)

*Territory*—Comprises that part of Piedmont section lying along the line between No. Carolina and Next session, at Bethel Church, Nov. 21, 1899. [Va.

*President*, Rev. J. O. Atkinson, Elon College, N. C.; *Secretary*, Rev. J. W. Holt, Burlington, N. C.; *Treasurer*, Rev. T. W. Strowd, Unionridge, N. C.

#### MINISTERS, ADDRESSES, PASTORATES

Apple, Solomon, Semora, N C—Superannuated  
Atkinson, J O, Elon College, N C—(Prof Elon Col)  
Carden, J S, Caldwell Institute, N C—Goshen Chapel.  
Bethany (E N C)  
Dawson, T B, Elon College, N C—No pastorate  
Fouville, J W, Big Falls, N C—No pastorate  
Ford, W H, Maysville, Ky—No pastorate  
Fulton, H C, White Road, N C—No pastorate  
Herndon, W T, Elon College, N C—Beulah—Wood-  
land—Woods Chapel (Va V)  
Holt, J W Burlington, N C—Hines Chapel—Leb-  
anon—Longs Chapel—Union (Va)  
Iseley, J F, Shallowford, N C—No pastorate  
Klapp, P T, Elon College, N C—Bethlehem—Mt  
Bethel. Damascus (E N C)  
Pinnix, J W, Kernersville, N C—Pleasant Ridge  
Strowd, T W, Unionridge, N C—Bethel—Concord—  
Howards Chapel  
Wellons, J W, Durham, N C—Durham  
Ordained, 12; licentiate, 2.  
CHURCH, PASTOR, VALUE, MEMBERS, CLERK. (Seep. 100)  
Apple Chapel—No pastor  
\$1,200. 220—Z Christman, Jr, Liberty Store, N C  
Belews Creek—L I Cox. (W N C) Elon College, N C  
\$ 400. 4—V O Robertson, Belews Creek, N C  
Bethel—T W Strowd, Unionridge, N C  
\$1,000. 63—L H Walker, Anderson, N C  
Bethlehem—P T Klapp, Elon College, N C  
\$1,500. 350—L D Rippey, Altamahaw, N C  
Big Falls—L F Johnson (E N C). Elon College, N C  
\$ 200. 20—J C McAdams, Burlington, N C  
Concord—T W Strowd, Unionridge, N C  
\$ 700. 56—G G Anderson, Milesville, N C]

Durham—J W Wellons, Durham, N C  
\$2,000. 117—A J Faucette, Durham, N C  
Elon College—J U Newman (W N C), Elon Col, N C  
\$ 000. 53—G W Tickle, Elon College, N C  
Goshen Chapel—J S Carden, Caldwell Institute, N C  
\$ 300. 38—S L Slaughter, Berea, N C  
Happy Home—L I Cox (W N C), Elon College  
\$ 550. 51—J W Foster, Oregon, N C  
Hawriver—W G Clements (E N C), Morrisville, N C  
\$2,200. 35—H V Simpson, Hawriver, N C  
Hebron—J W Patton (W N C), News Ferry, Va  
\$ 800. 139—J W Winfree, Virgilia, Va  
Hines Chapel—J W Holt, Burlington, N C  
\$ 800. 186—W A Heath, Greensboro, N C  
Howards Chapel—T W Strowd, Unionridge, N C  
\$ 700. 45—W B Madison, Wentworth, N C  
Ingram—J W Patton (W N C), News Ferry, Va  
\$1,200. 73—Myrtle Boyd, Stebbins, Va  
KALLAM GROVE—L I Cox (W N C), Elon Col, N C  
\$ 500. 33—D F Wilson, Bason, N C  
Lebanon—J W Holt, Burlington, N C  
\$2,000. 137—Walter L Taylor, Semora, N C  
Lexington—No pastor  
\$ 000. 12—Walter Koonce, Lexington, N C  
Longs Chapel—J W Holt, Burlington, N C  
\$1,000. 107—J F Fitch, McCray, N C  
Mt BETHEL—P T Klapp, Elon College, N C  
\$ 800. 45—D I Cummings, Simpson Store, N C  
Mt Zion—C H Rowland (E N C), Elon College, N C  
\$1,000. 37—Mrs Mary Bradley, Pleasant Grove, N C  
New Lebanon—L I Cox (W N C), Elon College, N C  
\$ 200. 30—W H Sharp, Bason, N C [Va  
Pleasant Grove—J W Patton (W N C), News Ferry,  
\$2,000. 214—H T Headspeth, News Ferry, Va  
Pleasant Ridge—J W Pinnix, Kernersville, N C  
\$ 800. 57—J H Barker, Summerfield, N C  
Sage Garden—J W Parker (W N C), Randleman, N C  
\$ 500. 29—John A Holder, Kernersville, N C  
Salem Chapel—L I Cox (W N C), Elon College, N C  
\$ 600. 122—J C Hammock, Walkerton, N C  
Shallowford—C H Roland (E N C), Elon College, N C  
\$1,200. 75—W D Walker, Burlington, N C  
South Boston—J W Patton (W N C), News Ferry, Va  
\$ 100. 17—J A Reese, South Boston, Va

Union (N C)—C C Peel (W N C), Hawriver, N C  
 \$ 500. 255—J D Wilkins, Maywood, N C  
 Union (Va)—J W Holt, Burlington, N C  
 \$1,000. 158—W H Averett, Hyeo, Va

30 churches—town, 5; country, 25. Preaching, full time, 1; half time, 2; once per month, 25; no pastor, 2. Totals—valuation, \$26,000; membership, 2,825. Endeavor societies, 2; Sunday schools, 27.

## Eastern North Carolina Conference.

(Reported by Secretary Foster.)

*Territory*—Comprises part of Warren, Vance, Franklin, Wake, Johnson, Orange, Harnett, and Chatham counties.

Next session, at Wentworth, N. C., Nov. 8, 1899.

*President*, Rev. G. R. Underwood, Osgood, N. C.;  
*Secretary*, Rev. Jas. L. Foster, Raleigh, N. C.; *Treasurer*, J. E. Ballentine, Varina, N. C.

### MINISTERS, ADDRESSES, PASTORATES.

Barbee, A P, Jonesboro, N C—Antioch—Moore Union  
 New Elam—Turners Chapel. Egypt—Graces  
 Chapel (W N C)

Clements, W G, Morrisville, N C—Amelia—Hayes  
 Chapel—Marthas Chapel—Mt Hermon—New  
 Hill. Haw River (N C & Va)

Foster, Jas L, Raleigh, N C—Mt Auburn—Raleigh—  
 Wentworth

Harward, W D, Morrisville, N C—Catawba Springs  
 —Ebenezer—Liberty—Morrisville—Mt Gilead  
 —Sixforks.

Johnson, L F, Elon College, N C—Big Falls (N C & V)  
 Klapp, S B, Youngsville, N C—Bethel—Christian  
 Chapel—Good Hope—Pleasant Grove—Piney  
 Plain—Plymouth—Walnut Grove—Youngsville

Mangum, L W, Benson, N C—Christian Light—  
 Pleasant Union

Pounds, T A, Clayton, N C—Pleasant Hill—Spilona  
 Rowland, C H, Elon College, N C—Auburn. Shallow  
 Ford—Mt Zion (N C & Va)

Scholz, Herbert, Burlington, N C—No pastorate  
 Underwood, G R, Osgood, N C—Popes Chapel, Shal-  
 lowwell. Hanks Chapel—Keyser—Zion (W)

Whiteman, J A, Hyndman, Pa—No pastorate (N C)  
 Wicker, J D, Jonesboro, N C—Beulah—Mt Carmel  
 —New Hope—Oak Level—O'Kellys Chapel  
 —Wake Chapel

Wicker, W C, Elon College, N C—Graham (W N C)  
 Winston, M L, Creedmoor, N C—No pastorate  
 Ordained, 13; licentiates, 2.

### CHURCH, PASTOR, VALUE, MEMBERS, CLERK. (See p. 100)

Amelia—W G Clements, Morrisville, N C  
 \$ 300. 8—J E Austin, Clayton, N C

Antioch—A P Barbee, Jonesboro, N C  
 \$ 500. 65—Mrs N J Harris, Elams, N C  
 Auburn—C H Rowland, Elon College, N C  
 \$ 700. 51—Wm Watts, Auburn, N C [tute, N C

Bethany—J S Cardeu (N C & Va), Caldwell Insti-  
 \$ 400. 64—L Carden, Breeze, N C

Bethel—S B Klapp, Youngsville, N C  
 \$ 300. 17—J S Phillips, Enno, N C

Beulah—J D Wicker, Jonesboro, N C  
 \$ 500. 50—J B Edwards, Hartsville, N C

Catawba Springs—W D Harward, Morrisville, N C  
 \$ 500. 100—E B Morris, Raleigh, N C

Christian Chapel—S B Klapp, Youngsville, N C  
 \$1,000. 70—L S Mann, Corinth, N C

CHRISTIAN LIGHT—L W Mangum, Benson, N C  
 \$ 800. 23—A T Arnold, May, N C

Damascus—P T Klapp (N C & Va), Elon College, N C  
 \$1,500. 105—M A McCauley, Lindsey, N C

Ebenezer—W D Harward, Morrisville, N C  
 \$ 300. 82—M J Carlton, Flint, N C

Good Hope—S B Klapp, Youngsville, N C  
 \$ 300. 55—J D Pleasants, Pernell, N C

Hayes Chapel—W G Clements, Morrisville, N C  
 \$ 800. 55—G O Barbee, Garner, N C

Liberty—W D Harward, Morrisville, N C  
 \$1,000. 195—B R Eaves, Epsom, N C

Marthas Chapel—W G Clements, Morrisville, N C  
 \$1,000. 38—W A Ellington, Elmgrove, N C

Moore Union—A P Barbee, Jonesboro, N C  
 \$ 300. 53—N A Mathews, Grotto, N C

Morrisville—W D Harward, Morrisville, N C  
 \$ 500. 32—J H Moring, Morrisville, N C

Mt Auburn—Jas L Foster, Raleigh, N C  
 \$1,000. 158—S P Read, Palmer Springs, Va

Mt Carmel—J D Wicker, Jonesboro, N C  
 \$ 300. 56—W J Wilson, Wilton, N C

Mt Gilead—W D Harward, Morrisville, N C  
 \$ 500. 21—W B Hunter, Ingleside, N C

Mt Hermon—W G Clements, Morrisville, N C  
 \$ 500. 48—W I Beasley, Auburn, N C

New Elam—A P Barbee, Jonesboro, N C  
 \$1,000. 173—J A Goodwin, Merryoaks, N C

New Hill—W G Clements, Morrisville, N C  
 \$ 500. 31—D H Gardner, New Hill, N C

New Hope—J D Wicker, Jonesboro, N C  
 \$ 400. 26—B A Lambert, Kileys Crossroads, N C

Oak Level—J D Wicker, Jonesboro, N C  
 \$ 800. 127—A C Wicker, Franklinton, N C

O'Kellys Chapel—J D Wicker, Jonesboro, N C  
 \$ 700. 91—J W Atkins, Williams Mill, N C

Piney Plain—S B Klapp, Youngsville, N C  
 \$ 400. 26—T H Prince, Massey, N C

PLEASANT GROVE—S B Klapp, Youngsville, N C  
 \$ 500. 10—E S Coates, Pratt, N C

Pleasant Hill—T A Pounds, Clayton, N C  
 \$ 400. 49—Willie Dixon, Benson, N C

PLEASANT UNION—L W Mangum, Benson, N C  
 \$ 400. 65—W J Long, Bowies Creek, N C

PLYMOUTH—S B Klapp, Youngsville, N C  
 \$ 700. 53—J W Rhodes, Kadur, N C

Popes Chapel—G R Underwood, Osgood, N C  
 \$1,500. 109—Mrs A M House, Franklinton, N C

Raleigh—Jas L Foster, Raleigh, N C  
 \$7,000. 47—Lee Johnson, Raleigh, N C

Shallowwell—G R Underwood, Osgood, N C  
 \$ 800. 163—J C Kelley, Jonesboro, N C

SIXFORKS—W D Harward, Morrisville, N C  
 \$ 200. 15—Mrs Alma J Penny, Sixforks, N C

SPILONA—T A Pounds, Clayton, N C  
 \$ 500. 20—R I Lassiter, Spilona, N C

Turners Chapel—A P Barbee, Jonesboro, N C  
 \$ 600. 59—A W Wicker, Colon, N C

Wake Chapel—J D Wicker, Jonesboro, N C  
 \$ 800. 211—J E Ballentine, Varina, N C

WALNUT GROVE—S B Klapp, Youngsville, N C  
 \$ 300. 22—Miss Della Grissom, Grissom, N C

Wentworth—Jas L Foster, Raleigh, N C  
 \$ 500. 24—C H Stephenson, Raleigh, N C

Youngsville—S B Klapp, Youngsville, N C  
 \$1,200. 22—T L Moss, Youngsville, N C

41 churches—town, 4; country, 37. Preaching, full  
 time, 1; once per month, 40. Totals—valuation,  
 \$32,200; membership, 2,779. Endeavor societies, 1;  
 Sunday schools, 33.

## Virginia Valley Conference.

(Reported by Secretary Kagey.)

*Territory*—Comprises Shenandoah, Rockingham,  
 and Augusta counties, Va.

Next session, at New Hope, Va., August 31, 1899.

*President*, Rev. R. H. Povel, Savage Crossing, Va.;  
*Secretary*, J. S. Kagey, Sky, Va.; *Treasurer*, C. D.  
 Maphis, Linville, Va.

### MINISTERS, ADDRESSES, PASTORATES.

Black, B F, Elon College, N C—New Providence (W  
 Deans, D T, Ronda, N C—No pastorate (N C)  
 Peel, R H, Savage Crossing, Va—Damascus—Eures—  
 Liberty Spring—Sarem (all E V)

Swank, C H, Linville, Va—Mt Grove  
 Ordained, 2; licentiates, 2.

### CHURCH, PASTOR, VALUE, MEMBERS, CLERK. (See p. 100)

Antioch—No pastor  
 \$2,000. 99—J S Kagey, Sky, Va

Bethlehem—No pastor  
 \$1,000. 64—A B Martz, Lacy Spring, Va

Beulah—W T Herndon (N C V), Elon College, N C  
 \$ 000. 16—No clerk reported

Concord—No pastor  
 \$ 500. 36—J C Huffman, Hupp, Va

Linville—No pastor  
 \$1,000. 57—C E Beery, Linville, Va

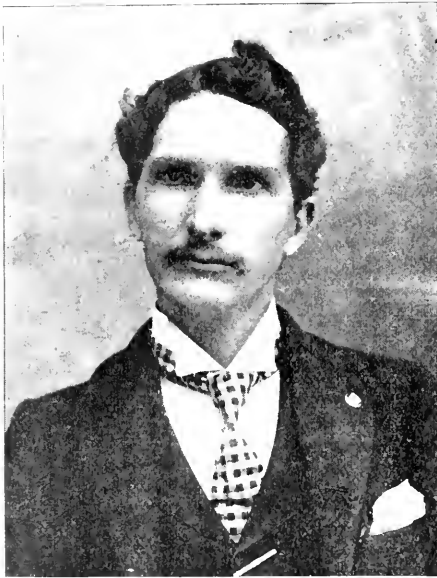
Mt Grove—C H Swank, Linville, Va  
 \$ 000. 18—Wm S Chine, Penlaird, Va

Newhope—E T Isley (V C), Leaksville, Va  
 \$1,000. 54—Walter Liskey, Harrisonburg, Va

WOODLAND—W T Herndon (N C & V), Elon College, N C  
 \$1,000. 22—No clerk reported [Ige, N C

Woods Chapel—W T Herndon (N C & V), Elon Col-  
 \$1,600. 24—Wm Bridget, Quicksburg, Va

9 churches (all country). Preaching, once per  
 month, 5; no pastor, 4. Totals—valuation, \$7,500;  
 membership, 390. Endeavor societies, none. S S, 8.



W. F. PRICE, WEST POINT, GEORGIA.  
Georgia and Alabama Conference.

## Georgia and Alabama Conference.

(Reported by Secretary Payne.)

*Territory*—Western portion of Georgia and eastern portion of Alabama.

*Next session.* (place and date not reported for 1899).

*President.* Rev. Jubilee Smith, Richland, Ga.;  
*Vice-President.* Rev. J. D. Elder, Milltown, Ala.;  
*Secretary.* J. W. Payne, Driver, Ala.; *Treasurer.* E. A. Abbell, Richland, Ga.

### MINISTERS, ADDRESSES, PASTORATES.

Davis, W. D., Daviston, Ala.—No pastorate  
Dollar, C. M., Rockmills, Ala.—Bethany—Forest Home  
Elder, H. W., Phenix, Ala.—Bethlehem—Beulah  
(Jirard)—Providence Chapel—New Hope  
Elder, J. D., Milltown, Ala.—Christiana—Mt Zion—  
Elder, J. W., Ofelia, Ala.—New Harmony—New Home  
Elder, T. H., Milltown, Ala.—Antioch—Christian Home  
—Rock Spring—Union Grove  
Fletcher, W. D., Jirard, Ala.—No pastorate  
*Garrison*, J. D., Langdale, Ala.—No pastorate  
Horn, D. G., Jirard, Ala.—No pastorate  
Hughes, J. H., Chatfield, Tex.—No pastorate  
Hunt, G. D., Daviston, Ala.—Beulah—McGuire's Chapel  
—Pleasant Grove—Union Chapel  
Hurst, G. M., Redapple, Ala.—No pastorate  
*Hurst*, W. G., Redapple, Ala.—No pastorate  
Knight, W. R., Peavy, Ala.—No pastorate  
*Leslie*, Robert, Langdale, Ala.—No pastorate  
Lett, M. F., Energy, Ala.—Mt Carmel  
Malone, C. G., Malone, Ala.—Corinth  
Orr, J. B., Mt Carmel, Tex.—Orr's Chapel (Conf?)  
Smith, Jubilee, Richland, Ga.—No pastorate  
Swann, C. W., Buckeye, Ala.—Macedonia  
Vickers, J. M., Emmchaw, Ala.—No pastorate  
Williams, J. E., Langdale, Ala.—No pastorate  
Ordained, 17; licentiates, 5.

CHURCH, PASTOR, VALUE, MEMBERS, CLERK. (See p. 100)

ANTIOCH—T H Elder, Milltown, Ala  
\$ 600. 85—W H Abbott, Double Head, Ala  
Bethany—C M Dollar, Rockmills, Ala  
\$ 300. 76—Brother Pitts, Rockmills, Ala

Bethlehem—H W Elder, Phenix, Ala  
\$ 100. 46—Mrs Annie Knight, Westpoint, Ga  
Beulah—G D Hunt, Daviston, Ala  
\$ 500. 87—Charles Bailey, Truett, Ala  
Beulah Jirard—H W Elder, Phenix, Ala  
\$ 600. 153—J J Beaird, Jir rd, Ala  
Christiana—J D Elder, Milltown, Ala  
\$ 000. 76—W A Jennings, Tehopka, Ala  
CHRISTIAN HOME—T H Elder, Milltown, Ala  
\$ 200. 65—S Landerdale, Cowpens, Ala  
CORINTH—C G Malone, Malone, Ala  
\$ 300. 39—C G Malone, Malone, Ala  
FOREST HOME—C M Dollar, Rockmills, Ala  
\$ 600. 49—J L Smith, Rockmills, Ala  
MACEDONIA—C W Swann, Buckeye, Ala  
\$ 100. 33—L L Watts, Buckeye, Ala  
McGuire's Chapel—G D Hunt, Daviston, Ala  
\$ 250. 116—W J Vickers, Daviston, Ala  
MT CARMEL—M F Lett, Energy, Ala  
\$ 000. 6—A R Johnson, Energy, Ala  
MT ZION—J D Elder, Milltown, Ala  
\$ 500. 105—W H George, Peavy, Ala  
*New Harmony*—J W Elder, Ofelia, Ala  
\$ 6 0. 100—T L Orr, Abner, Ala  
*New Home*—J W Elder, Ofelia, Ala  
\$ 150. 54—W T Collier, Delta, Ala  
*New Hope*—J D Elder, Milltown, Ala  
\$ 600. 171—R Elder, Happy Land, Ala  
Pleasant Grove—G D Hunt, Daviston, Ala  
\$ 350. 67—J R Orr, Marcoat, Ala  
Providence Chapel—H W Elder, Phenix, Ala  
\$ 600. 75—E A Abbell, Richland, Ga  
ROCK SPRING—T H Elder, Milltown, Ala  
\$ 300. 81—H H Owens, Cornhouse, Ala  
Union Chapel—G D Hunt, Daviston, Ala  
\$ 000. 94—W L Osborn, Langdale, Ala  
UNION GROVE—T H Elder, Milltown, Ala  
\$ 300. 26—H O Wallace, Stroud, Ala

21 churches—town, 3; country, 18. Preaching, half time, 1; once per month, 20. Totals—valuation, \$6,560; membership, 1,605. Endeavor societies, 2; Sunday schools, 12.

## Western North Carolina.

(Reported by Secretary Way.)

*Territory*—Mostly in the Piedmont section.

*Next session.* (place and date not reported for 1899).

*President.* Rev. J. R. Comer, Spencer, N. C.; *Secretary.* Rev. P. T. Way, Durham, N. C.; *Treasurer.* Capt. J. A. Turrentine, Burlington, N. C.

### MINISTERS, ADDRESSES, PASTORATES.

Albright, H A, Moffitt, N C—Pattersons Grove  
*Baldwin*, M A, Franklinville, N C—No pastorate  
Boone, C A, Elon College, N C—No pastorate  
Comer, J R, Spencer, N C—Christian Union—Shady  
Grove—Shiloh  
Cooper, A J, Staley, N C—No pastorate  
*Coe*, L I, Elon College, N C—Smithwood. Belews  
Creek—Happy Home—Kallum Grove—New  
Lebanon—Salem Chapel (N C V)  
Fleming, P H, Burlington, N C—Burlington  
*Hammer*, M E, Tillman, N C—Antioch (Chatham Co)  
—Pleasant Grove—Antioch (Randolph Co)  
Hatch, J W, Pittsboro, N C—No pastorate  
*Hayes*, W N, Erect, N C—No pastorate  
*Julian*, W R, Millboro, N C—No pastorate  
*Kerns*, B F, Moffitt, N C—Spoons Chapel  
Lawrence, J S, Erect, N C—Union Grove  
Lawrence, W W, Erect, N C—No pastorate  
Mollit, H T, Moffitt, N C—No pastorate  
Newman, J U, Elon College, N C—Asheboro. Elon  
College (N C & V)  
Parker, J W, Randleman, N C—Parks Cross Roads  
—Pleasant Ridge—St Johns—Pleasant Cross.  
Sage Garden (N C & V)  
Patton, J W, News Ferry, Va—Hebron—Ingram—  
Pleasant Grove—South Boston (all N C & V)  
Peel, C C, Hawriver, N C—Union (N C & V)  
Scott, J A, Linville, Va—No pastorate  
*Strinson*, D R, Asheboro, N C—No pastorate  
Way, P T, Durham, N C—No pastorate

Way, S H, Forkcreek, N C—No pastorate  
 Webster, J A, Franklinville, N C—No pastorate  
 Ordained, 17; licentiate, 7.

CHURCH, PASTOR, VALUE, MEMBERS, CLERK. (See p.100)

Antioch (Chatham Co)—M E Hammer, Tillman, N C  
 \$ 200. 84—Susie Gough, Goldston, N C  
 Antioch (Randolph Co)—M E Hammer, Tillman, N C  
 \$ 400. 32—W W Brady, Cheeks, N C  
 Asheboro—J U Newman, Elon College, N C  
 \$2,000. 29—T J Moffit, Asheboro, N C  
 Bigoak—No pastor  
 \$ 200. 65—J U Shuffield, Bigoak, N C  
 Browns Chapel—No pastor  
 \$ 400. 114—W L Brewer, Spencer, N C  
 Burlington—P H Fleming, Burlington, N C  
 \$4,000. 172—I N Walker, Burlington, N C  
 Center Grove—No pastor  
 \$ 750. 43—T J Bland, Rosewood, N C  
 Christian Union—J R Comer, Spencer, N C  
 \$ 250. 85—Wm Cagle, Whynot, N C  
 Clover Orchard—No pastor  
 \$ 200. 20—A J Marshburn, Holman, N C  
 Egypt—A P Barbée (E N C), Jonesboro, N C  
 \$ 000. 34—W M Gunter, Egypt, N C  
 Graces Chapel—A P Barbée (E N C), Jonesboro, N C  
 \$ 600. 90—L A Spivy, Lemon Springs, N C  
 Graham—W C Wicker (E N C), Elon College, N C  
 \$1,500. 23—J D Kernodle, Graham, N C [N C  
 Hanks Chapel—G R Underwood (E N C), Osgood,  
 \$ 500. 143—A Hatch, Pittsboro, N C  
 Highpoint—No pastor  
 \$1,500. 12—W H Gurby, Highpoint, N C  
 Keyser—G R Underwood (E N C), Osgood, N C  
 \$1,000. 23—John Campbell, Keyser, N C  
 Liberty—No pastor  
 \$ 500. 29—C C Hatch, Liberty, N C  
 Macedonia—No pastor  
 \$ 000. 15—No clerk reported  
 Mt Union—No pastor  
 \$ 000. 12—No clerk reported  
 New Center—M E Hammer, Tillman, N C  
 \$ 400. 81—E E McNeil, Whynot, N C [N C  
 New Providence—B F Black (Va V), Elon College,  
 \$3,000. 108—J M Turner, Graham, N C  
 Parks Cross Roads—J W Parker, Randleman, N C  
 \$ 800. 99—R W York, Kildee, N C  
 Pattersons Grove—H A Albright, Moffit, N C  
 \$ 500. 41—J A Ellison, Franklinville, N C  
 Phillips Chapel—No pastor  
 \$ 000. 25—D W Cox, Harpers Cross Roads, N C  
 Pleasant Cross—J W Parker, Randleman, N C  
 \$ 300. 30—J A Henson, Central Falls, N C  
 Pleasant Grove—M E Hanumer, Tillman, N C  
 \$1,000. 24—A L Brady, Cheeks, N C  
 Pleasant Hill—No pastor  
 \$1,000. 133—S T Pike, Mudlick, N C  
 Pleasant Ridge—J W Parker, Randleman, N C  
 \$ 800. 122—E W Brown, Ramseur, N C  
 Pleasant Union—No pastor  
 \$ 000. 15—No clerk reported  
 Poplar Branch—No pastor  
 \$1,000. 30—Jordan Parish, Jonesboro, N C  
 Ramseur—No pastor  
 \$ 800. 30—J A Parks, Ramseur, N C  
 Shady Grove—J R Comer, Spencer, N C  
 \$1,000. 93—Hiram Freeman, Ether, N C  
 Shiloh—J R Comer, Spencer, N C  
 \$ 500. 146—E S Moffitt, Moffitt, N C  
 Smithwood—L I Cox, Elon College, N C  
 \$ 500. 64—D D Reitzel, Liberty, N C  
 \$ 200. 38—G H Kinney, Asheboro, N C  
 Spoon Chapel—B F Kerns, Moffitt, N C  
 \$ 500. 112—G A Lamb, Randleman, N C  
 St Johns—J W Parker, Randleman, N C  
 \$ 500. 112—G A Lamb, Randleman, N C  
 Union Grove—J S Lawrence, Erect, N C  
 \$1,000. 89—E L Brown, Woodford, N C  
 Winder—No pastor  
 \$ 000. 10—No clerk reported  
 Zion—G R Underwood (E N C), Osgood, N C  
 \$ 800. 202—J A Kelley, Osgood, N C

33 churches—town, 6; country, 32. Preaching, full  
 time, 1; once per month, 23; no pastor, 14. Totals—  
 valuation, \$28,200; membership, 2,732. Endeavor  
 societies, none; Sunday schools, 38.



REV. S. L. BAUGHER, BELDOR, VA.  
 Virginia Central Conference.

Virginia Central Conference.

(Reported by Secretary Tamkin.)

*Territory*—Comprises the Blue Ridge Valley, part  
 of the Great Valley of Virginia and Hampshire Co.,  
 West Va.

Next session, at East Liberty, Va., Aug., 1899.  
*President*, Rev. J. W. Dollenmyer, Elkton, Va.;  
*Vice-President*, Rev. A. G. B. Powers, Hupp, Va.;  
*Secretary*, Rev. John Tamkin, Edith, Va.; *Treas-  
 urer*, Martin Strickler, Leaksville, Va.

MINISTERS, ADDRESSES, PASTORATES.

Baugher, S L, Beldor, Va—Antioch—Christian  
 Chapel—Pimple Hill  
 Davis, A P, Swiftrun, Va—No pastorate  
 Dollenmyer, J W, Elkton, Va—Dryrun—Joppa—Mt  
 Salem—Newport (anon, Newhope (Va V)  
 Iseley, E T, Leaksville, Va—Leaksville—Mt Leb-  
 Powers, A G B, Hupp, Va—Mt Pleasant [Union  
 Roach, Killis, Nortonville, Va—High Point—Mt  
 Tamkin, John, Edith, Va—Palmyra  
 Ordained, 7.

CHURCH, PASTOR, VALUE, MEMBERS, CLERK. (See p.100)

Antioch—S L Baugher, Beldor, Va  
 \$ 000. 49—No clerk reported  
 Bethel—No pastor  
 \$ 000. 30—No clerk reported  
 Christian Chapel—S L Baugher, Beldor, Va  
 \$ 000. 33—No clerk reported  
 Dryrun—J W Dollenmyer, Elkton, Va  
 \$ 300. 37—A Munch, Seven Fountains, Va  
 East Liberty—No pastor  
 \$ 250. 116—A J Kite, Grove Hill, Va  
 HIGH POINT—Killis Roach, Nortonville, Va  
 \$ 000. 25—Thomas Crawford, Swiftrun, Va  
 Joppa—J W Dollenmyer, Elkton, Va  
 \$ 350. 56—John Tamkin, Edith, Va  
 Leaksville—E T Iseley, Leaksville, Va  
 \$ 800. 85—G W Rothgeb, Leaksville, Va  
 Mt Lebanon—E T Iseley, Leaksville, Va  
 \$ 300. 79—Isaac Comer, Shenandoah, Va

MT OLIVET—No pastor  
 § 000. 52—Z Marshall, Nortonville, Va  
 MT PLEASANT—A G B Powers, Hupp, Va  
 § 000. 56—C Dovel, Elkton, Va  
 Mt Salem—J W Dofflemyer, Elkton, Va  
 § 090. 37—J E Watkins, Beldor, Va  
 Mt UNION—Killis Roach, Nortonville, Va  
 § 000. 40—W A Crawford, Nortonville, Va  
 Mt ZION—No pastor  
 § 000. 30—No clerk reported  
 Newport—J W Dofflemyer, Elkton, Va  
 § 500. 112—Wm Cornell, Kountz, Va  
 PALMYRA—John Tamkin, Edith, Va  
 § 000. 61—John Carper, Edinburg, Va  
 PIMPLE HILL—S L Baugher, Beldor, Va  
 § 000. 33—V Morris, Nortonville, Va [Mills, Pa  
 Timber Ridge—W C Garland (Rays Hill) Buffalo  
 \$1,000. 155—A S Anderson, Hooks Mills, W Va  
 WHITE HALL—No pastor  
 § 000. 56—J W Conley, Christman, Va

19 churches—town, 2; country, 17. Preaching—half time, 1; once per month, 14; no pastor, 4. Totals—valuation, \$3,800; membership, 1,145. Endeavor societies, 2; Sunday schools, 11.

### Southwestern West Virginia Conference.

(Reported by Secretary Thevenin.)

*Territory*—Comprises Wood, Jackson, Mason, Putnam, Kanawha, Fayette, Lincoln, Cabell, Wayne, and Mingo counties, in West Virginia.

Next session, at Charleston, W. Va., Aug. —, 1899.  
*President*, C. G. Hill, Charleston, W. Va.; *Vice-President*, Rev. C. P. Wiggins, Middleport, O.; *Secretary*, Rev. J. L. W. Thevenin, Henderson, W. Va.; *Treasurer*, Samuel J. Butler, Charleston, W. Va.

#### MINISTERS, ADDRESSES, PASTORATES.

Ferguson, Samuel J., Beech Hill, W Va—Mt Tabor—Mt Valley—Shady Hill—White Pine  
 Lee, W. W., Henderson, W Va—No pastorate  
 Manley, John L., Middleport, O—Antioch—Morning  
 McCarley, J. N., Portland, O—No pastorate [Star  
 Porter, John R., Thevenin, W Va—West Charleston  
 Thevenin, Robert, Henderson, W Va—Arrington  
 Thevenin, J. L. W., Henderson, W Va—Bethel  
 Wiggins, C. P., Oak Ridge, W Va—(Conf. Missionary)  
 Ordained, 6; licentiates, 2.

#### CHURCH, PASTOR, VALUE, MEMBERS, CLERK. (See p.100)

Antioch—John L. Manley, Middleport, O  
 § 000. 32—John L. Manley, Middleport, O  
 ARRINGTON—Robert Thevenin, Henderson, W Va  
 § 300. 28—No clerk reported  
 BETHEL—J L W Thevenin, Henderson, W Va  
 § 000. 32—Minnie Tout, Elwell, W Va  
 EVERGREEN—No pastor  
 § 000. 26—Floyd Means, Fraziers Bottom, W Va  
 FRAZIER'S BOTTOM—No pastor  
 § 000. 21—No clerk reported  
 Henderson—No pastor  
 \$1,400. 35—W W Lee, Henderson, W Va  
 Morning Star—John L. Manley, Middleport, O  
 § 000. 10—Ella Nesselroad, Nesselroad, W Va  
 Mt Tabor—Samuel J. Ferguson, Beech Hill, W Va  
 § 100. 23—Amos Glasburn, Beech Hill, W Va  
 Mt Valley—Samuel J. Ferguson, Beech Hill, W Va  
 § 600. 32—Elizabeth Sickers, Arlee, W Va  
 NEW Mt PISCAT—No pastor  
 § 000. 24—John Shelines, Redmud, W Va  
 OAK RIDGE—C P Wiggins, Middleport, O  
 § 000. 21—Minnie Sanborn, Winfield, W Va  
 SHADY HILL—Samuel J. Ferguson, Beech Hill, W Va  
 § 000. 12—No clerk reported.  
 SHREWSBURY—No pastor  
 § 000. 28—Charles Knight, Shrewsbury, W Va  
 West Charleston—John R. Porter, Thevenin, W Va  
 \$1,200. 38—J W Leeper, Charleston, W Va  
 WHITE PINE—Samuel J. Ferguson, Beech Hill, W Va  
 § 000. 20—No clerk reported

15 churches—towns, 4; country, 11. Preaching, once per month, 10; no pastor, 5. Totals—valuation, \$3,600; membership, 376. Endeavor societies, none; Sunday schools, 6.

### West Virginia Conference.

(Reported by Secretary Miller.)

*Territory*—Comprises portions of Randolph, Tucker, Pendleton, Grant, and Hardy counties, W Va

Next session (place and date not reported for 1899).

*President*, Seymer Bonner, Dryfork, W. Va.; *Vice-President*, H. B. Bodkin, Harman, W. Va.; *Secretary*, Anna B. Miller, Harman, W. Va.; *Treasurer*, A. B. Flanagan, Redcreek, W. Va.

#### MINISTERS, ADDRESSES, PASTORATES.

Bonner, J W, Redcreek, W Va—Dryfork—Oakdale—Wolffords  
 Ends, W H, Moorefield, W Va—Corner Church (Conf?)  
 McNamnis, G C, Harman, W Va—White Bonner (Conf?)  
 Miller, N B, Harman, W Va—Harman—Richmont  
 Riggelman, Simon, Moorefield, W Va—Hopeville  
 Smith, A C, Harman, W Va—Flanagan Hill (Conf?)  
 Wolford, C J, Redcreek, W Va—Canaan Valley  
 Ordained, 3; licentiates, 4.

#### CHURCH, PASTOR, VALUE, MEMBERS, CLERK. (See p.100)

Dryfork—J W Bonner, Dryfork, W Va  
 § 000. 129—Oliver Bonner, Dryfork, W Va  
 FLANAGAN HILL—A C Smith, Harman, W Va  
 § 100. 13—A B Flanagan, Redcreek, W Va  
 HARMAN—N B Miller, Harman, W Va  
 § 000. 9—No clerk reported  
 HOPEVILLE—Simon Riggelman, Moorefield, W Va  
 § 000. 12—No clerk reported  
 Oak Dale—J W Bonner, Dryfork, W Va  
 § 300. 40—Otie Riggelman, Moorefield, W Va  
 RICHMONT—N B Miller, Harman, W Va  
 § 150. 45—Wm Malow, Harman, W Va  
 WOLFFORDS—J W Bonner, Dryfork, W Va  
 § 100. 9—C J Wolford, Redcreek, W Va  
 7 churches (all country). Preaching, once per month, 7. Totals—valuation, \$650; membership, 257. Endeavor societies, none; Sunday schools, 2.

### Recapitulation—The South.

(Last Year)

*Totals*—Ministers, 116; ordained, 91; licentiates, 25. 207 churches—town, 29; country, 178. Preaching, full time, 5; half time, 5; once per month, 180; no pastor, 17. Valuation, \$209,025; average valuation, \$1,010. Membership, 17,061; average membership, \$2. Endeavor societies, 11; no Endeavor, 196. Sunday schools, 162; no Sunday schools, 45.

### Recapitulation—The South.

(This Year)

*Totals*—Ministers, 117; ordained, 91; licentiates, 26. 213 churches—town, 31; country, 182. Preaching, full time, 6; half time, 6; once per month, 171; no pastor, 30. Valuation, \$215,350; average valuation, \$1,011. Membership, 16,926; average membership, \$0. Endeavor societies, 11; no Endeavor, 202. Sunday schools, 170; no Sunday schools, 43.

**New York State Christian Association.**

(Reported by Secretary Thompson.)

New York State Christian Association is a mission or benevolent institution. Its territory comprises New York State and parts of Pennsylvania. The objects are to promote the union and advancement of all our denominational interests within its bounds and, by cooperating with other similar associations, the union and advancement of the interests of the entire denomination. Through its five departments, mission, relief, educational, publishing, and Sunday school, very much permanent good has been accomplished. The Association meets biennially.

A special session will convene in September, 1899, at Starkey Seminary, Eddytown, N. Y.

*President*, Rev. C. J. Jones, Eddytown, N. Y.; *First Vice-President*, Rev. J. B. Weston, Stanfordville, N. Y.; *Second Vice-President*, Fred D. Foster, Memphis, N. Y.; *Secretary*, Rev. Scott Thompson, North Rush, N. Y.; *Treasurer*, James S. Frost, North Rush, N. Y.; Department secretaries—*Mission*, Rev. J. B. Weston, Stanfordville, N. Y.; *Relief*, Rev. J. W. Wilson, St. Johnsville, N. Y.; *Educational*, Rev. Martyn Summerbell, Eddytown, N. Y.; *Publishing*, Rev. M. D. Lyke, Union Mills, N. Y.; *Sunday-school*, Rev. Elias Jones, Akron, N. Y.

**New York Central Conference.**

(Reported by Secretary Frost.)

*Territory*—Onondaga, Cayuga, Seneca, Wayne, Ontario, Yates, and Tompkins counties, and those portions of Livingston and Monroe counties lying east of the Genesee River.

Next session, at Marion, N. Y., Oct. 5, 1899.  
*President*, Rev. Scott Thompson, North Rush, N. Y.; *Vice-President*, Rev. O. P. Potter, Marion, N. Y.; *Secretary*, James S. Frost, North Rush, N. Y.; *Treasurer*, William B. Milliman, 16 Warwick Ave., Rochester, N. Y.

**MINISTERS, ADDRESSES, PASTORATES.**

Besemer, J. E., Memphis, N. Y.—No pastorate  
 Besemer, Mrs S. A., Memphis, N. Y.—No pastorate  
*Brainard*, George H., Eddytown, N. Y.—Wedgewood  
 Brate, S., Eddytown, N. Y.—No pastorate (Tioga R)  
 Carr, John H., Eddytown, N. Y.—No pastorate  
 Chapman, E. D., Memphis, N. Y.—Memphis  
 Draper, Alice A., Pleasant Hill, O.—No pastorate  
 Grimes, Wm J., Syracuse, N. Y.—Superannuated  
 Guthrie, J. W., Conquest, N. Y.—Superannuated  
 Hammond, E. D., Enfield Center, N. Y.—Enfield Center  
 Hathaway, O. I., Binghamton, N. Y.—Union (N. Y. S.)  
 Humphreys, Arthur, Ingleside, N. Y.—Ingleside  
 [(Tioga R)

Livingstone, E. C., Cleveland, Ohio—No pastorate  
 Mace, J. A., West Vienna, N. Y.—West Vienna (Conf?)  
 McAlpine, Ezra, Dundee, N. Y.—Dundee  
 Potter, O. P., Marion, N. Y.—Marion  
 Thompson, Scott, North Rush, N. Y.—North Rush  
 Wilson, J. W., St. Johnsville, N. Y.—St. Johnsville (N. Y. E.)

Ordained, 17; licentiates, 1. Died since last report, J. B. Chase and O. F. Ingoldsby.

**CHURCH, PASTOR, VALUE, MEMBERS, CLERK. (See p. 100)**

*Dundee*—Ezra McAlpine, Dundee, N. Y. \$5,000. 27—Wm McAlpine, Dundee, N. Y.  
*Eddytown*—C. J. Jones, (Miami O.), Eddytown, N. Y. \$8,000. 70—Elizabeth Bolley, Eddytown, N. Y.  
 Emerson—H. C. Wilbur (N. Y. S.), Emerson, N. Y. \$2,800. 55—Will Young, Emerson, N. Y.  
*Enfield Center*—E. D. Hammond, Enfield Center, N. Y. \$1,500. 38—John R. Baker, Enfield Center, N. Y.  
*Lakeville*—E. G. Zeigler (Miami O.), Lakeville, N. Y. \$3,000. 87—Martha J. Hanna, Lakeville, N. Y.  
*Marion*—O. P. Potter, Marion, N. Y. \$5,000. 78—Mrs E. W. Croucher, Marion, N. Y.  
*Memphis*—E. D. Chapman, Memphis, N. Y. \$3,000. 59—Mrs Fred Foster, Memphis, N. Y.  
*Newark*—A. C. Wiley (Tioga River), Newark, N. Y. \$5,000. 109—J. S. Hodden, Newark, N. Y.  
*North Rush*—Scott Thompson, North Rush, N. Y. \$5,500. 113—James S. Frost, North Rush, N. Y.



REV. SCOTT THOMPSON, NORTH RUSH, N. Y.  
 President New York Central Conference.

*Plainville*—J. B. Fenwick (N. Y. E.), Plainville, N. Y. \$1,000. 74—C. R. Smart, Plainville, N. Y.  
*Rock Stream*—No pastor  
 \$2,000. 14—C. Elizabeth Warner, Rock Stream, N. Y.  
*Searsburg*—John Swick (Conf?), Searsburg, N. Y. \$ 500. 18—John R. Farington, Searsburg, N. Y.  
*Springwater*—J. W. Miller (Conf?), Springwater, N. Y. \$1,000. 58—Ezra Willis, Springwater, N. Y.  
*Westbury*—T. V. Moore (Tioga River), Evergreen, Pa. \$2,000. 61—Mrs. Nellie Lovejoy, Westbury, N. Y.

14 churches—town, 1; country, 13. Preaching, full time, 13; no pastor, 1. Totals—valuation, \$48,500; membership, 391. Endeavor societies, 10; Sunday schools, 14.

**New York Northern Conference.**

(Reported by Secretary Ives.)

*Territory*—Northern part of New York State.  
 Next session (place and date not given).  
*President*, C. G. Vandewalker, Sanford Corners, N. Y.; *Vice-President*, L. L. Allen, Watertown, N. Y.; *Secretary and Treasurer*, B. J. Ives, Watertown, N. Y.

**MINISTERS, ADDRESSES, PASTORATES.**

Sayles, S. V., Sandy Creek, N. Y.—No pastorate  
 Torrey, G. R., Watertown, N. Y.—Sanford Corners  
 Ordained, 2.

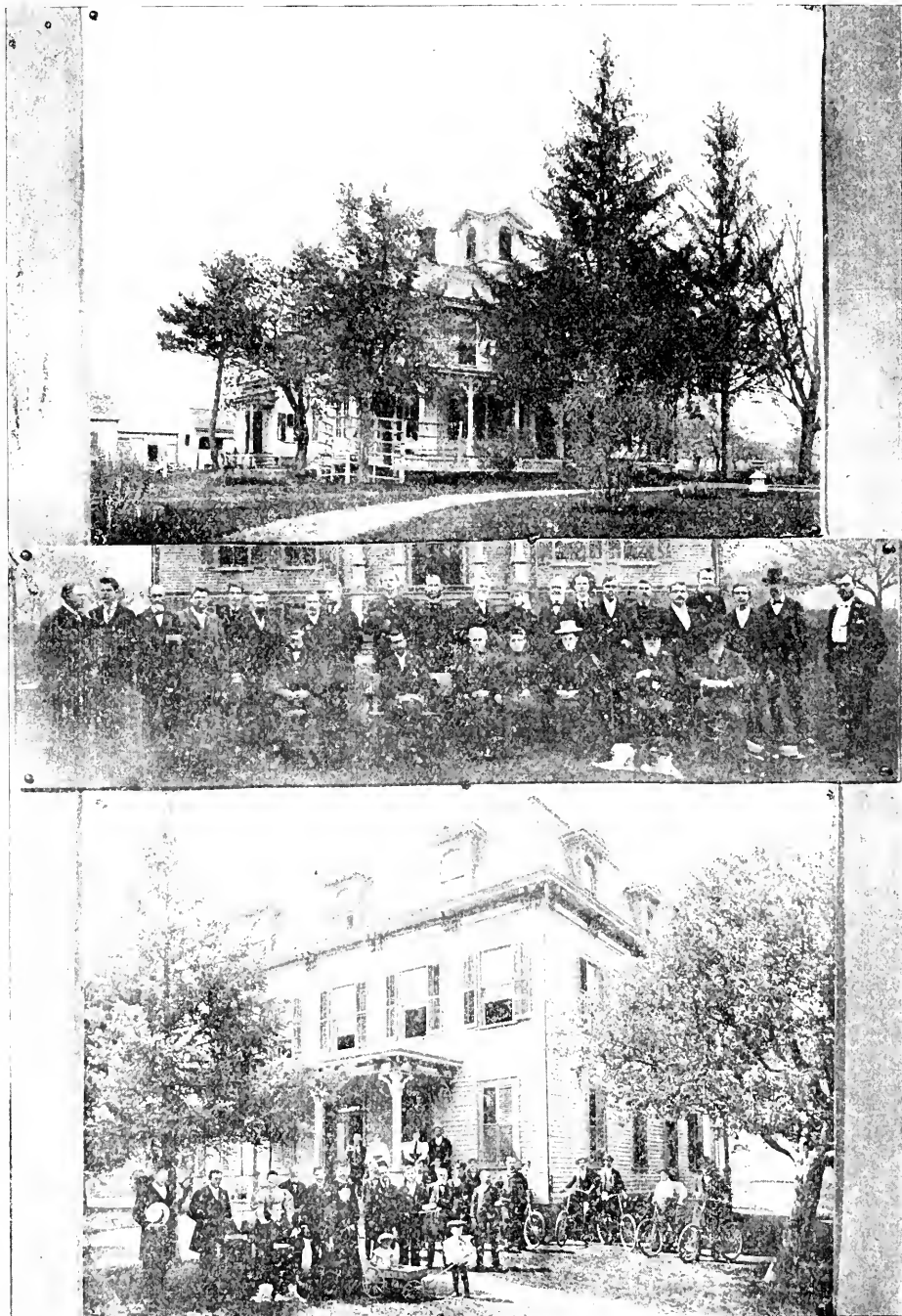
**CHURCH, PASTOR, VALUE, MEMBERS, CLERK. (See p. 100)**

*Brushton*—A. L. Brand (N. J.), Brushton, N. Y. \$2,000. 130—A. L. Brand, Brushton, N. Y.  
*East Dickinson*—A. L. Brand (N. J.), Brushton, N. Y. \$1,500. 40—C. S. Rockwell, E. Dickinson, N. Y.  
*EAST HOUNDSFIELD*—No pastor  
 \$1,500. 42—L. F. Allen, E. Houndsfield, N. Y.  
*Sanford Corners*—G. R. Torrey, Watertown, N. Y. \$1,000. 15—R. Spoon, Sanford Corners, N. Y.

4 churches—town, 1; country, 3. Preaching, full time, 1; half time, 2; no pastor, 1. Totals—valuation, \$6,000; membership, 227. Endeavor societies, 2; Sunday schools, 3.



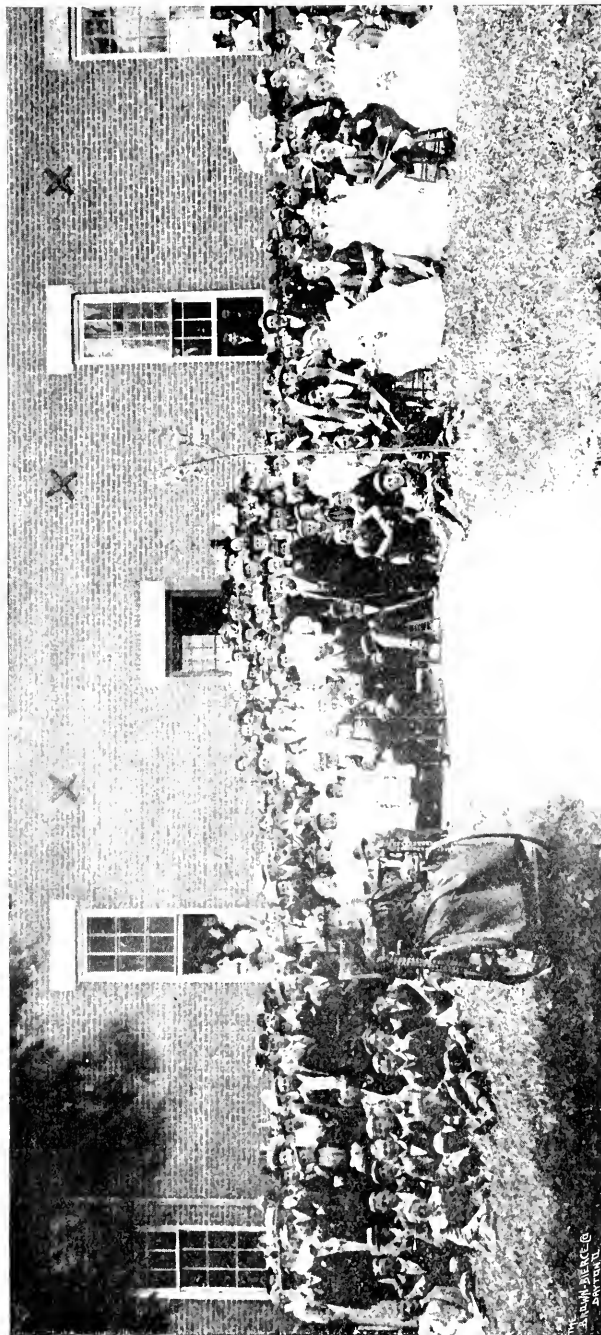
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### New York Eastern Conference.

(Reported by Secretary Fenton.)

*Territory*—Its territorial area is recognized as bounded on the north by the counties of Herkimer, Fulton, and Saratoga inclusive; east by the western counties of Vermont, Massachusetts, and Connecticut inclusive; south by New Jersey and Pennsylvania; west by the counties of Sullivan, Delaware, Otsego, and Oneida inclusive; and such other contiguous territory as may find it convenient to associate with us.

Next session, at Clove, N. Y., June 1, 1899.

*President*, Rev. D. I. Putnam, Quaker Street, N. Y.; *Vice-President*, Rev. R. Osman Allen, Stanfordville, N. Y.; *Secretary*, Rev. R. G. Fenton, Hartwick, N. Y.; *Treasurer*, Hiram S. Bradley, Hartwick, N. Y.

### MINISTERS, ADDRESSES, PASTORATES.

- Allen, R. Osman, Stanfordville, N. Y.—Stanfordville  
 Barnes, W. J., 202 North Henry Street, Brooklyn, N. Y.—  
 Brooklyn  
 Bassett, J. H., Mineral Springs, N. Y.—East Cobleskill  
 —Fulton and Cobleskill—Warnersville [(N. J.)  
*Bassett*, W. Irving, Carversville, Pa.—Carversville  
 Blood, John, Lewisburg, Pa.—Lewisburg (N. J.)  
 Brown, G. Verner, Ketchum, N. Y.—Ketchum  
 Brown, Henry, Eddytown, N. Y.—No pastorate  
 Butler, C. I., Union Mills, N. Y.—Superannuated  
 Canada, P. A., Wolfboro, N. H.—Wolfboro (Rock)  
 Case, Wm., Otsego, N. Y.—Center Brook—Otego  
 Clark, John H., Cranberry Creek, N. Y.—Cranberry  
 Creek [(Conf?)]  
 Conkling, D. L., Middletown, N. Y.—Faith Chapel  
 Collins, J. D., Durham, N. Y.—No pastorate  
 Couchman, Philip, Schoharie, N. Y.—Superannuated  
 Crissey, H. Jennie, Randall, N. Y.—Randall



REV. LESTER HOWARD.

Professor of New Testament Greek and Church History, Christian Biblical Institute, New York.

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| <p>Crosby, B S, 45 Jefferson St. Augusta, Me—Peoples Church (Conf?)<br/>                 Davis, T N, Pine Plains, N Y—No pastorate<br/>                 Fenton, R G, Hartwick, N Y—Hartwic &amp; First—Hartwick Village<br/>                 Fenwick, J B, Plainville, N Y—Plainville (N Y C)<br/>                 French, Edward, Ansterlitz, N Y—Ansterlitz<br/>                 Gardner, F H, Lubec, Me—Lubec (Conf?)<br/>                 Hall, Edward C, Millbridge, Me—Millbridge (Me)<br/>                 Hainer, E W, South Valley, N Y—South Valley<br/>                 Hathaway, Warren, Blooming Grove, N Y—Blooming Grove (Cong.)<br/>                 Hornbaker, W O, Schultzville, N Y—Schultzville<br/>                 Lyke, M D, Union Mills, N Y—Galway—Union Mills<br/>                 Mace, C S, Westday, N Y—Westday<br/>                 McGlaulin, John, Red Rock, N Y—Red Rock<br/>                 McGlaulin, C F, Ravenna, N Y—Ravenna<br/>                 Metzger, Fraser, Eastport, Me—Eastport (Conf?)<br/>                 Morrell, Edwin, Manchester, N H—Manchester (Rock)<br/>                 Nelson, Charles, Barkersville, N Y—Barkersville<br/>                 Palmer, S G, Greenville, O—Greenville (Miami O)</p> | <p>Peck, Ira L, Charleston Four Corners, N Y—Carlisle—Charleston Four Corners<br/>                 Pendell, D L, Alcove, N Y—Alcove<br/>                 Perlee, Silas H, Chatham, N Y—No pastorate<br/>                 Pittman, J M, Medusa, N Y—Medusa<br/>                 Poste, Z A, Naples, N Y—President Franklinton Christian College (colored) Franklinton, N C<br/>                 Pratt, Joseph, Amsterdam, N Y—Superannuated<br/>                 Putnam, D I, Quaker Street, N Y—Quaker Street<br/>                 Schiffer, C Wesley, Merom, Ind—(Student U C C)<br/>                 Shaw, Wm H, Utica, N Y—No pastorate<br/>                 Summerbell, Martyn, Eddytown, N Y—President Starkey Seminary<br/>                 Utter, A G, Kirkwood, N Y—Kirkwood (N Y S)—West Windsor [Berne]<br/>                 Warner, D P, South Berne, N Y—Reidsville—South<br/>                 Wells, J J, East Sidney, N Y—No pastorate<br/>                 Weston, J B, Stanfordville, N Y—Pres C B Institute<br/>                 Winans, J P, Rural Grove, N Y—Rural Grove<br/>                 Youmans, A C, Freehold, N Y—Freehold<br/>                 Ordained, 4; licentiates, 5. Died since last report, James Wright.</p> |
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CHURCH, PASTOR, VALUE, MEMBERS, CLERK. (See p.100)

*Albany*—No pastor reported  
\$5,000. 103—G M Northrup, 24 Washington Ave,  
Albany, N Y

*Alcove*—D L Pendell, Alcove, N Y  
\$1,200. 106—Edward J Zeller, Alcove, N Y

*ACSTERLITZ*—Edward French, Austerlitz, N Y  
\$ 800. 15—J M Varney, Austerlitz, N Y

*Barkersville*—Charles Nelson, Barkersville, N Y  
\$1,000. 36—Mrs Wm P Jeffords, Barkersville, N Y

*Bates*—H L Griffing (Tioga River), Bates, N Y  
\$1,000. 21—Geo W Wilsie, Bates, N Y

*Brooklyn*—W J Barnes, 202 North Henry Street,  
Brooklyn, N Y [N Y

\$12,000. 159—W W Dillon, 29 Newell St, Brooklyn,  
[N Y

*BURTONVILLE*—E G Evans (Conf?), Burtonville, N Y  
\$1,500. 26—Elmer Stedwell, Burtonville, N Y [N Y

*CARLISLE*—Ira L Peck, Charleston Four Corners,  
\$2,000. 51—M H Brown, Carlisle, N Y

*Center Brook*—Wm Case, Otego, N Y  
\$1,000. 51—J C Emmons, Otego, N Y

*Charleston Four Corners*—Ira L Peck, Charleston  
Four Corners, N Y [N Y

\$1,700. 167—C S Allen, Charleston Four Corners,  
Clove—Geo W Perkins (Ontario), Clove, N Y  
\$2,500. 71—George H Uhl, North Clove, N Y [N Y

*Cranberry Creek*—John H Clark, Cranberry Creek,  
\$1,500. 36—Mrs J P King, Cranberry Creek, N Y

*Danbury, Ct*—No pastor  
\$2,500. 67—E M Jackson, Danbury, Ct

*East Cobleskill*—J H Bassett, Mineral Springs, N Y  
\$1,000. 29—John Dumond, East Cobleskill, N Y

*Freehold*—A C Youmans, Freehold, N Y  
\$5,000. 227—C R Lacy, Freehold, N Y [Springs, N Y

*FELTON AND COBLESKILL*—J H Bassett, Mineral  
\$ 600. 31—J R Tillson, Mineral Springs, N Y

*GALWAY*—M D Lyke, Union Mills, N Y  
\$1,200. 39—Mrs Eliza R Showers, Mosherville, N Y

*GILBOA*—H L Griffing (Tioga River), Bates, N Y  
\$ 800. 50—Mrs T Chichester, Broome Center, N Y



REV. J. M. PITTMAN, MEDUSA, N. Y.  
New York Eastern Conference.



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Rev. J. M. Pittman, Pastor.



REV. WM. J. BARNES, BROOKLYN, N. Y.

New York Eastern Conference.

Hartwick First—R G Fenton, Hartwick, N Y  
 \$ 800. 25—Mrs Almira Winsor, Hartwick, N Y  
*Hartwick Village*—R G Fenton, Hartwick, N Y  
 \$1,000. 140—Hiram S Bradley, Hartwick, N Y  
*Huntersland*—F E Gaige (Conf?), Huntersland, N Y  
 \$2,000. 100—Jerome Decker, Huntersland, N Y  
 Ketchum—G Verner Brown, Ketchum, N Y  
 \$ 400. 60—C Williams, Ketchum, N Y  
 LAURENS—L A Dykeman (Tioga R), Laurens, N Y  
 \$1,500. 47—M Clark, Laurens, N Y [N Y  
 MARYLAND—G R Rockwell (Conf?), Portlandville,  
 \$1,000. 15—C T Bush, Maryland, N Y  
*Medusa*—J M Pittman, Medusa, N Y  
 \$3,000. 82—R Gifford, Medusa, N Y  
*Medway*—No pastor  
 \$1,000. 130—A J Simmons, Medway, N Y  
 Milan—No pastor  
 \$2,000. 62—F S Welch, Milan, N Y  
 Otego—Wm Case, Otego, N Y  
 \$3,000. 92—H S Trask, Otego, N Y  
 Pine Plains—John M Ferrier (Ontario), Stanford-  
 ville, N Y  
 \$1,500. 30—W W Hicks, Pine Plains, N Y [N Y  
*Portlandville*—G R Rockwell (Conf?), Portlandville,  
 \$1,000. 53—F M Thorne, Portlandville, N Y  
 Quaker Street—D I Putnam, Quaker Street, N Y  
 \$3,000. 128—Miss Lillian A White, Quaker Street,  
 Randall—H Jennie Crissey, Randall, N Y [N Y  
 \$3,000. 55—Yates H Cook, Randall, N Y  
*Ravenna*—C F McLaughlin, Ravenna, N Y  
 \$9,000. 91—G W Wrightson, Ravenna, N Y  
 Red Rock—John McLaughlin, Red Rock, N Y  
 \$1,500. 83—J B Lamoree, Red Rock, N Y

Reidsville—D P Warner, South Berne, N Y  
 \$1,000. 60—E B Powell, Westerlo, N Y  
 RICHMONDVILLE—No pastor  
 \$1,500. 24—Peter Nellis, Richmondville, N Y  
*Rural Grove*—J P Winans, Rural Grove, N Y  
 \$1,000. 35—Geo J Gove, Rural Grove, N Y  
 Schultsville—W O Hornbaker, Schultsville, N Y  
 \$3,000. 115—Anna C Jackson, Clinton Corners, N Y  
 South Berne—D P Warner, South Berne, N Y  
 \$2,250. 79—J O Warner, Reusselaerville, N Y  
 South Valley—E W Hainer, South Valley, N Y  
 \$ 800. 35—J M Lovejoy, South Valley, N Y [N Y  
 South Westerlo—J H Shoults (Ont), South Westerlo,  
 \$4,000. 139—J T Hannay, South Westerlo, N Y  
*Stanfordville*—R Osman Allen, Stanfordville, N Y  
 \$6,500. 162—P R Fradenburg, Stanfordville, N Y  
 St Johnsville—J W Wilson (N Y C), St Johnsville, N Y  
 \$11,000. 210—A E Seaman, St Johnsville, N Y  
 SCHMITT—No pastor  
 \$ 800. 39—Eliza Allen, Charlotteville, N Y  
 UNION MILLS—M D Lyke, Union Mills, N Y  
 \$1,500. 49—Mrs L Goethy, Union Mills, N Y  
 Warnerville—J H Bassett, Mineral Springs, N Y  
 \$2,500. 18—L D Burchard, Warnerville, N Y  
*Westday*—C S Mace, Westday, N Y  
 \$1,000. 33—P L Colson, Westday, N Y  
*West Laurens*—H G Rockwell (Conf?), Laurens, N Y  
 \$1,000. 45—Mrs Ida G Hopkins, West Laurens, N Y

48 churches—town, 12; country, 36. Preaching,  
 full time, 33; half time, 3; no pastor, 6. Total val-  
 uation, \$123,550; members, 3,672. Endeavor  
 societies, 14; Sunday schools, 37.



REV. FRASER METZGER, EASTPORT, ME.  
New York Eastern Conference.



REV. F. E. GAIGE, HUNTERSLAND, N. Y.  
Pastor Huntersland Christian Church.

### New York Southern Conference.

(Reported by Secretary VanAtta.)

*Territory*—New York as follows: Broome, Chenango, Cortland counties, and such other territory as may be annexed from counties adjacent thereto.

Next session, (place not decided), Sept. 14, 1899.

*President*, Geo. P. Hubbard, Harford Mills, N. Y.;  
*Vice-President*, Rev. E. K. McCord, Binghamton, N. Y.;  
*Secretary*, J. H. VanAtta, Binghamton, N. Y.;  
*Treasurer*, Merriett T. Adriance, Glen Aubrey, N. Y.

#### MINISTERS, ADDRESSES, PASTORATES.

Hill, Lyman, Lisle, N Y—No pastorate  
Holdridge, Ira, Oquaga, N Y—No pastorate  
James, Owen, Eastport, Me—No pastorate  
*Mather*, Harriet S R, Moravia, N Y—No pastorate  
McCord, E K, Binghamton, N Y—Binghamton  
Newitt, H I, DeRuyter, N Y—No pastorate  
Stearns, J W, So Berlin, N Y—So Berlin (Conf?)  
Welton, A J, Binghamton, N Y—Superannuated  
Wilbur, H C, Emerson, N Y—Emerson (N Y C)  
Wilcox, David, Harford Mills, N Y—No pastorate  
Williams, F B, Newport, Pa—Evangelist  
*West*, Jos, Glen Aubrey, N Y—Glen Aubrey  
Youmans, J T, Whitney, Point, N Y—No pastorate  
Youmans, M C, Harford Mills, N Y—Harford Mills  
Ordained, 12; licentiates, 2. Died since last report,  
D. P. Frink.

#### CHURCH, PASTOR, VALUE, MEMBERS, CLERK. (See p. 100)

*Binghamton*—E K McCord, Binghamton, N Y  
\$3,000. 71—Mrs Hattie George, Binghamton, N Y  
Carolina—No pastor  
\$ 200. 15—H M Pettengrove, Slaterville, N Y  
*East Willett*—No pastor  
\$1,500. 35—Chester Morgan, Penelope, N Y  
*Glen Aubrey*—Jos West, Glen Aubrey, N Y  
\$1,000. 29—Jos West, Glen Aubrey, N Y [N Y  
*Harford Mills*—Marion C Youmans, Harford Mills,  
\$2,000. 34—Mrs Job Ayers, Harford Mills, N Y  
*Kirkwood*—A G Utter (N Y E), Kirkwood, N Y  
\$1,500. 42—Mrs Emery B Hull, Langdon, N Y  
*Lapeer*—Martin Brooks (Conf?), Lapeer, N Y  
\$1,000. 30—Mrs S H Parker, Lapeer, N Y  
OTSELIC (First)—No pastor  
\$1,500. 18—Mrs Lewis Frink, Beaver Meadow, N Y

*Union*—O I Hathaway (N Y C), Binghamton, N Y  
\$1,200. 20—Mrs D F Lashed, Hooper, N Y  
*West Windsor*—A G Utter (N Y E), Kirkwood, N Y  
\$1,000. 29—Mrs D Jackson, West Windsor, N Y  
10 churches—town, 1; country, 9. Preaching, full  
time, 5; half time, 2; no pastor, 3. Totals—valuation,  
\$13,900; membership, 326. Endeavor societies,  
7; Sunday schools, 9.

### New York Western Conference.

(Reported by Secretary Pease.)

*Territory*—Western part of Monroe County, Orleans, Niagara, Erie, Genesee, Wyoming, and Cattaraugus counties, N. Y.

Next session, at West Shelby, N. Y., June 23, 1899.

*President*, Rev. Horace Mann, Piqua, O.; *Vice-President*, Rev. S. Q. Helfenstein, Orangeport, N. Y.;  
*Secretary*, John B. Pease, Gasport, N. Y.; *Treasurer*,  
Robert Call, Stafford, N. Y.

#### MINISTERS, ADDRESSES, PASTORATES.

Allen, Alden, Morganville, N Y—Morganville  
Child, J D, Shelby, N Y—Superannuated  
Helfenstein, S Q, Orangeport, N Y—Orangeport  
Jones, Elias, Akron, N Y—No pastorate  
Lawall, L C, Richmond, Ind—No pastorate  
Lawton, J W, Manning, N Y—No pastorate  
Mann, Horace, Piqua, O—Piqua (Miami O)  
Moore, D W, Middleport, N Y—Superannuated  
Rhodes, H J, Castile, N Y—Castile  
Tryon, I C, Castile, N Y—Superannuated  
Van Dyck, R W, No Greece, N Y—Parma and Greece  
Warner, W A, Machias, N Y—Machias  
Ordained, 12.

#### CHURCH, PASTOR, VALUE, MEMBERS, CLERK. (See p. 100)

*Castile*—H J Rhodes, Castile, N Y  
\$5,000. 107—Merton Phelps, Castile, N Y  
East Holland—No pastor  
\$1,000. 27—Lewis Hawks, Protection, N Y  
*Machias*—W A Warner, Machias, N Y  
\$1,000. 106—Miss Ida Bixby, Machias, N Y  
*Manning*—Geo B Shear (N J), Manning, N Y  
\$1,000. 65—Geo W Barber, Clarendon, N Y  
*Morganville*—Alden Allen, Morganville, N Y  
\$2,000. 40—Robert Call, Stafford, N Y



REV. D. W. MOORE, MIDDLEPORT, N. Y.  
New York Western Conference.



JOHN B. PEASE, GASPORT, N. Y.  
Secretary New York Western Conference.

*North Pembroke*—C F Hook (Miami O), N Pembroke \$1,000. 59—C B Denton, No Pembroke, N Y [N Y  
*Orangeport*—S Q Helfenstein, Orangeport, N Y \$4,000. 109—L H Pease, Gasport, N Y  
*Parma and Greece*—R W VanDyck, No Greece, N Y \$3,000. 90—H D Rowley, No Greece, N Y  
*West Shelby*—No pastor \$2,000. 71—W J Shelp, West Shelby, N Y

9 churches—town, 2; country, 7. Preaching, full time, 7; no pastor, 2. Totals—valuation, \$23,000; membership, 674. Endeavor societies, 7; Sunday schools, 9.

### New Jersey Conference.

(Reported by Secretary Bodine.)

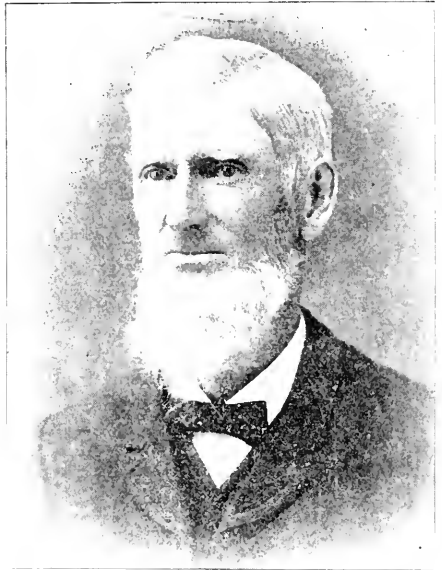
*Territory*—Comprises New Jersey and Eastern Penn.

Next session, at Madisonville, Pa., May 19, 1899.

*President*, Rev. W. H. Hainer, Irvington, N. J.;  
*Vice-President*, Rev. E. C. Hall, Locktown, N. J.;  
*Secretary*, H. F. Bodine, Locktown, N. J.; *Treasurer*, W. R. Bearder, Locktown, N. J.

#### MINISTERS, ADDRESSES, PASTORATES.

Brand, A L, Brushton, N Y—Brushton—E Dickinson  
Carter, Geo C, Baleville, N J—Baleville [(N Y N)  
Chase, W P, Milford, N J—Milford  
Clark, J B, Gulf Mills, Pa—Gulf Mills  
Conrad, John, 670 N 13th St, Phila, Pa—Hopewell  
Epright, John, Stanfordsville, N Y—(Student C B I)  
Fanton, B S, Castile, N Y—(Aged Ministers Home)  
Gennett, W L, Bridgeboro, N J—Fairview  
Hainer, W H, Irvington, N J—Irvington  
Hall, E C, Locktown, N J—Locktown



E. PALMER PHELPS, CASTILE, N. Y.  
Chorister Castile Christian Church Fifty Years.

*Hawk*, S D, Milford, N J—No pastorate  
*Hayes*, J E, Baptistown, N J—Superannuated  
*Jackson*, E M, Danbury, Conn—Superannuated  
*Laird*, J R, Finesville, N J—Finesville—Springtown



REV. I. J. WILLMARTH AND FAMILY, VIENNA, N. J.  
New Jersey Conference.



VIENNA (N. J.) CHRISTIAN CHURCH, DECORATED FOR CHILDREN'S DAY.  
Rev. I. J. Willmarth, Pastor.

Lennon, Wm, Gulf Mills, Pa—No pastorate  
*McAllister*, D, 756 N 27th St. Phila. Pa—Mt Zion  
 Mitchell, E E, 2041 Brandywine St, Phila, Pa—No  
 pastorate  
 Powell, D E, Madisonville, Pa—Madisonville  
 Price, W J, Lake Ariel, Pa—Chapmantown [York  
 Sailer, P S, Frenchtown, N J—Frenchtown—Little  
 Shear, Geo B, Manning, N Y—Manning (N Y W)  
 Summerbell, J J, Dayton, Ohio—(Editor H G L)

Topping, J P, Sweet Valley, Pa—Pleasant Hill  
 Topping, Loretta, Sweet Valley, Pa—No pastorate  
 Willmarth, I J, Vienna, N J—Hope—Vienna  
 Wright, W J, Tullytown, Pa—Tullytown

Ordained, 20; licentiate, 6.

CHURCH, PASTOR, VALUE, MEMBERS, CLERK. (See p. 100)

*Baleville*—Geo C Carter, Baleville, N J  
 \$5,000. 218—Mrs M H B Couse, Baleville, N J





REV. G. C. CARTER, BALEVILLE, N. J.  
New Jersey Conference.

*Carversville*—W Irving Bassett (N Y E), Carversville, \$4,000. 56—James Hagan, Carversville, Pa [Pa  
*Chapmantown*—W J Price, Ariel, Pa \$1,800. 31—Geo A Swingle, Avoy, Pa  
*Fairview*—W L Gennett, Bridgeboro, N J \$1,200. 33—Alice Gennett, Bridgeboro, N J  
*Finesville*—Jos R Laird, Finesville, N J \$5,000. 88—E A Flenard, Finesville, N J  
*Frenchtown*—P S Sailer, Frenchtown, N J \$1,500. 55—S R Opydyke, Frenchtown, N J  
*Gulf Mills*—J B Clark, Gulf Mills, Pa \$10,000. 80—Geo Nagle, W Conshohocken, Pa  
*Hope*—I J Willmarth, Vienna, N J \$5,000. 48—R M VanHorn, Hope, N J  
*Hopewell*—John Conrad, Philadelphia, Pa \$1,200. 21—Isaac Horn, Hopewell, N J  
*Irrington*—W H Hainer, Irrington, N J \$12,000. 212—Fred W Boggs, Irrington, N J  
*Johnsonburg*—A G Lewis (Tioga R) Johnsonburg, N J \$8,000. 131—J W Hart, Johnsonburg, N J  
*Lewisburg*—John Blood (N Y E), Lewisburg, Pa \$15,000. 133—Annie Evans, Lewisburg, Pa  
*Little York*—P S Sailer, Frenchtown, N J \$ 600. 20—S B Garrett, Little York, N J  
*Locktown*—E C Hall, Locktown, N J \$6,000. 192—G W Hockenbury, Locktown, N J  
*Madisonville*—D E Powell, Madisonville, Pa \$1,800. 121—Kate Cartright, Jubilee, Pa  
*Milford*—W P Chase, Milford, N J \$13,500. 335—W R Sailer, Milford, N J  
*Mt Zion*—D McAlister, Philadelphia, Pa \$14,000. 29—Geo Smith, 430 Bainbridge St, Phila, Pa  
*Pleasant Hill*—J P Topping, Sweet Valley, Pa \$4,000. 64—O P Edwards, Sweet Valley, Pa  
*Springtown*—Jos R Laird, Finesville, N J \$ 800. 13—Jos Hawk, Warren Paper Mills, N J  
*Tullytown*—W J Wright, Tullytown, Pa \$2,200. 20—A W Wright, Tullytown, Pa  
*Vienna*—I J Willmarth, Vienna, N J \$6,000. 128—A C Howell, Vienna, N J

21 churches—town, 20; country, 1. Preaching, full time, 19; half time, 2. Totals—valuation, \$118,600; membership, 2,028. Endeavor societies, 11; Sunday schools, 21.

**Rays Hill (Pa.) Conference.**

(Reported by Secretary Boor.)

*Territory*—Embraces Bedford and Fulton counties, and parts of Somerset County.

Next session, at Pleasant Grove, Pa., Aug. 23, 1899.  
*President*, John B. Cooper, Chaneyville, Pa.;  
*Vice-President*, Rev. W. C. Garland, Buffalo Mills, Pa.;  
*Secretary*, M. M. Boor, Artemas, Pa.;  
*Treasurer*, J. N. Robinson, Purcell, Pa.

MINISTERS, ADDRESSES, PASTORATES.

Garland, A R, Purcell, Pa—Buck Valley—Fairview  
—Hyndman—Mt Zion—Prosperity  
Garland, W C, Buffalo Mills, Pa—Milligans Cove—  
Pleasant Grove—Sideling Hill, Timber Ridge  
Martz, John, Glencoe, Pa—Kennells Mills [(V A C)  
May, A W, Robinsonville, Pa—Jerusalem—Whips  
Cove  
Troutman, J W, Flintstone, Md—Bethel—Mt Hope  
Ordained, 4; licentiate, 1. Died since last report,  
B A Cooper.

CHURCH, PASTOR, VALUE, MEMBERS, CLERK. (See p. 100)

Bethel—J W Troutman, Flintstone, Md \$ 800. 44—J N Robinson, Purcell, Pa  
Buck Valley—A R Garland, Purcell, Pa \$ 700. 129—Mrs Loretta Lashley, Lashley, Pa  
Fairview—A R Garland, Purcell, Pa \$ 700. 182—E Miller, Purcell, Pa  
Greenfield—S W S Foor (So Pa), Rays Hill, Pa \$ 400. 13—James Morse, Piney Creek, Pa  
Hyndman—A R Garland, Purcell, Pa \$ 400. 30—U S Barman, Hyndman, Pa  
Jerusalem—A W May, Robinsonville, Pa \$1,000. 27—John Martin, Locust Grove, Pa  
KENNELLS MILLS—John Martz, Glencoe, Pa \$ 000. 10—Charles Martz, Gladdens, Pa  
Milligans Cove—W C Garland, Buffalo Mills, Pa \$ 800. 55—W B Zembower, Buffalo Mills, Pa  
Mt Hope—J W Troutman, Flintstone, Md, and A R  
Garland, Purcell, Pa \$ 800. 57—Samuel Johnston, Elbinsville, Pa  
Mt Zion—A R Garland, Purcell, Pa \$ 600. 75—J G Collins, Elbinsville, Pa  
Pleasant Grove—W C Garland, Buffalo Mills, Pa \$ 800. 47—Alfred Peck, Needmore, Pa  
Prosperity—A R Garland, Purcell, Pa \$ 600. 26—Wesley Bennett, Flintstone, Md  
Sideling Hill—W C Garland, Buffalo Mills, Pa \$1,000. 140—Wm C Mann, Saluvia, Pa  
Whips Cove—A W May, Robinsonville, Pa \$1,000. 35—Nathan Mellott, Locust Grove, Pa  
14 churches—town, 1; country, 13. Preaching, half time, 4; once per month, 10. Totals—valuation, \$9,600; membership, 891. Endeavor societies, 2; Sunday schools, 13.

**Southern Pennsylvania Conference.**

(Reported by Secretary Williams.)

*Territory*—Southeastern portion of Bedford County and western portion of Fulton County, Pa.

Next session, at Mt. Union Church, Aug. 17, 1899.  
*President*, Rev. Joseph Barney, Clearville, Pa.;  
*Vice-President*, S. L. Morse, Mench, Pa.;  
*Secretary*, H. P. Williams, Mattie, Pa.;  
*Assistant Secretary*, Ira D. Mellott, Sideling Hill, Pa.;  
*Treasurer*, Stephen Wineck, Gapsville, Pa.

MINISTERS, ADDRESSES, PASTORATES.

Barney, Joseph, Clearville, Pa—Clear Creek—Mt Union—Providence—Union Memorial. Bedford Co. Alms House (Conf?). Shovers Valley (Conf?)  
Barney, J H, Clearville, Pa—Gapsville—Rock Hill

Foor, S W S, Rays Hill, Pa—Rays Cove—Rock Hill  
 —Tatesville. Greenfield (Rays Hill)  
 Logue, J R, Pine Ridge, Pa—Antioch—Black Oak  
 Ridge—Cedar Grove—Jerusalem—Pine Grove  
 —Pleasant Union—Tonoloway  
 Rush, D M, Clearville, Pa—No pastorate  
 Sipes, M L, Emmaville, Pa—No pastorate  
 Ordained, 6.

CHURCH, PASTOR, VALUE, MEMBERS, CLERK. (See p.100)

Antioch—J R Logue, Pine Ridge, Pa  
 \$ 800. 89—W C Peck, Covalt, Pa  
 B O Ridge—J R Logue, Pine Ridge, Pa  
 \$1,000. 56—Thomas Bishop, Lashley, Pa  
 Cedar Grove—J R Logue, Pine Ridge, Pa  
 \$1,200. 60—David Winter, Dott, Pa  
 Clear Creek—Joseph Barney, Clearville, Pa  
 \$1,000. 82—A B Morris, Everett, Pa  
 Gapsville—J H Barney, Clearville, Pa  
 \$1,000. 84—W H Bottenfield, Gapsville, Pa  
 Jerusalem—J R Logue, Pine Ridge, Pa  
 \$ 300. 68—John McKee, Locust Grove, Pa  
 Mt Union—Joseph Barney, Clearville, Pa  
 \$1,200. 78—F J Zembower, Mench, Pa  
 Pine Grove—J R Logue, Pine Ridge, Pa  
 \$ 600. 49—Silas Robison, Piney Creek, Pa  
 Pleasant Union—J R Logue, Pine Ridge, Pa  
 \$ 600. 12—Emma Mills, Clearville, Pa  
 Providence—Joseph Barney, Clearville, Pa  
 \$ 800. 30—Jacob C Smith, Everett, Pa  
 Rays Cove—S W S Foor, Rays Hill, Pa  
 \$1,000. 47—S D Foor, Rays Hill, Pa  
 Rock Hill—J H Barney, Clearville, Pa, and S W S  
 Foor, Rays Hill, Pa  
 \$1,500. 90—H F Mearkle, Mattie, Pa  
 Tatesville—S W S Foor, Rays Hill, Pa  
 \$ 000. 42—D L Suters, Tatesville, Pa  
 Tonoloway—J R Logue, Pine Ridge, Pa  
 \$ 800. 22—Job Peck, Covalt, Pa  
 Union Memorial—Joseph Barney, Clearville, Pa  
 \$1,000. 45—P Clark, Mench, Pa

15 churches—all in the country. All have preaching  
 half time. Totals—valuation, \$12,800; member-  
 ship, 857. Endeavor societies, 5; Sunday schools, 15.

### Western Pennsylvania Conference.

(Reported by Secretary Miller.)

Territory—Fayette, Green, Washington, West  
 Moreland, and Somerset counties, Pennsylvania.  
 Next session, at Clarksville, Pa., October 12, 1899.  
 President, Elder A. S. Seese, Denison, Pa.; Vice-  
 President, Jos. Anthony, Mutual, Pa.; Secretary,  
 Chas. Lytle, Confluence, Pa.; Treasurer, A. D.  
 Krieger, Stauffer, Pa.;

MINISTERS, ADDRESSES, PASTORATES.

Daniels, G W, Uniontown, Pa—Clarksville  
 Daniels, John, Uniontown, Pa—No pastorate  
 Jennings, John, Haydentown, Pa—Superannuated  
 Kingsnorth, John, Pleasant Unity, Pa—No pastorate  
 Miller, W S, Mt Braddock, Pa—No pastorate  
 Seese, A S, Denison, Pa—Bridgeport—Haydentown  
 —Sugar Loaf  
 Show, Sanford, Fairhance, Pa—Mountain Grove  
 Stillwagon, J E, Connellsville, Pa—No pastorate  
 Ordained, 7; licentiates, 1.

CHURCH, PASTOR, VALUE, MEMBERS, CLERK. (See p.100)

Bridgeport—A S Seese, Denison, Pa  
 \$ 600. 20—A D Krieger, Stauffer, Pa  
 CLARKSVILLE—G W Daniels, Uniontown, Pa  
 \$1,000. 25—Priscilla Fush, Clarksville, Pa  
 Haydentown—A S Seese, Denison, Pa  
 \$ 700. 17—A B Swaney, Haydentown, Pa  
 MOUNTAIN GROVE—Sanford Show, Fairhance, Pa  
 \$ 000. 17—Amanda Jennings, Fairhance, Pa  
 Sugar Loaf—A S Seese, Denison, Pa  
 \$ 400. 16—A R Boyd, Ohio, Pa



REV. JOHN H. BARNEY, CLEARVILLE, PA.  
 Southern Pennsylvania Conference.

UNITY—No pastor  
 \$ 000. 12—Mary Eicher, Mutual, Pa  
 WESTOXTON—No pastor  
 \$ 000. 10—No clerk reported

7 churches—town, 3; country, 4. Preaching, once  
 per month, 7. Totals—valuation, \$2,700; member-  
 ship, 117. Endeavor societies, 1; Sunday schools, 3.

### Tioga River Conference.

(Reported by Secretary Lewis.)

Territory—Comprises Bradford, Tioga, and Potter  
 counties, Pa.; Tioga, Chemung, and Steuben coun-  
 ties, N. Y., and adjacent territory.

Next session, at Trumbull Corners, N. Y., June 8,  
 1899.

President, Rev. T. V. Moore, Evergreen, Pa.;  
 Vice-President, Rev. J. H. Cheesman, Greenwood,  
 N. Y.; Secretary, Rev. A. G. Lewis, Johnsonburg,  
 N. J.; Treasurer, L. T. Carpenter, Trumbull Cor-  
 ners, N. Y.

MINISTERS, ADDRESSES, PASTORATES.

Allen, G E, Evergreen, Pa—A merchant  
 Allen, Rose, Evergreen, Pa—Evangelist  
 Cheesman, J H, Greenwood, N Y—Young Hickory  
 Cole, D A, Cameron, N Y—Preaching outside de-  
 nomination  
 Cole, F S, Hornellsville, N Y—No pastorate  
 Cottom, J L, Evergreen, Pa—Evergreen  
 Curlett, Frank, Somerslane, Pa—East Lawrence  
 Davy, S H, Sabinsville, Pa—No pastorate  
 Dykenan, L A, Laurens, N Y—Laurens (N Y E)  
 Griffling, H L, Bates, N Y—Bates—Gilboa (N Y E)  
 Hurd, A J, Greenwood, N Y—Greenwood—Bennetts  
 Creek (First)—Bennetts Creek (Second)  
 Lewis, A G, Johnsonburg, N J—Johnsonburg (N J)  
 Lewis, J M, Clarksville, N Y—Preaching for Re-  
 Mead, F. Borden, N Y—Studying [formed Church  
 Moore, T V, Evergreen, Pa—Westbury (N Y C) [ated  
 Rumsey, Miles, Trumbull Corners, N Y—Superannu-



REV. H. H. PERSHING, EAST SPRINGFIELD, PA.  
President Erie Christian Conference.

*Slaughter*, Mrs B J W, Canisteo, N Y—No pastorate  
Stocum, Wm, West Branch, Pa—Camp Brook  
Stratton, H A, Westpike, Pa—West Branch [ners  
Thorn, C C, Trumbull Corners, N Y—Trumbull Cor-  
Westfall, J L, Knoxville, Pa—Knoxville  
Wiley, A C, Newark, N Y—Newark (N Y C)

Ordained, 18; licentiates, 4. Died since last report, O P Alderman.

CHURCH, PASTOR, VALUE, MEMBERS, CLERK. (See p.100)

*Bennetts Creek* (First)—A J Hurd, Greenwood, N Y \$ 000. 15—Wm T Cross, Canisteo, N Y  
*Bennetts Creek* (Second)—A J Hurd, Greenwood, N Y \$ 000. 15—Mrs A Vanderhoof, Canisteo, N Y  
*Cameron*—No pastor  
\$1,000. 25—Alice Rumsey, No. Cameron, N Y  
Camp Brook—Wm Stocum, West Branch, Pa \$1,000. 35—Mary E Meade, Borden, N Y  
*East Lawrence*—Frank Curlett, Somerslane, Pa \$1,100. 94—W H Hudson, Somerslane, Pa  
Evergreen—J L Cottom, Evergreen, Pa \$2,100. 102—Mrs C Corson, Evergreen, Pa  
Franklindale—No pastor \$2,000. 37—Helen Phelps, Franklindale, Pa  
*Greenwood*—A J Hurd, Greenwood, N Y \$2,000. 17—Mrs M Tibes, Greenwood, N Y [N Y  
*Ingleside*—Arthur Humphreys (N Y C), Ingleside, N Y \$2,500. 86—Frank Boggs, Ingleside, N Y  
*Knoxville*—J L Westfall, Knoxville, Pa \$1,500. 60—Alice Boardman, Knoxville, Pa  
*Thurston*—No pastor \$1,200. 43—Belle Killigren, Thurston, N Y [N Y  
*Trumbull Corners*—C C Thorn, Trumbull Corners, \$2,500. 75—H Cornish, Jr, Newfield, N Y [N Y  
Wedgewood—Geo D Brinard, (N Y C) Eddytown, \$ 000. 47—Ella J Smith, Wedgwood, N Y  
West Branch—H A Stratton, Westpike, Pa \$1,000. 18—Mina Campbell, West Branch, Pa  
*Westpike*—No pastor \$1,000. 20—Mrs M A Davis, Westpike, Pa  
Young Hickory—J H Cheesman, Greenwood, N Y \$1,100. 27—Devoe Bailey, Young Hickory, N Y

16 churches—town, 4; country, 12. Preaching, full time, 7; half time, 5; no pastor, 4. Totals—valuation, \$20,100; membership, 725. Endeavor societies, 9; Sunday schools, 16.

Erie Conference.

(Reported by Secretary Eldredge.)

*Territory*—Erie, Crawford, and Warren counties in Pa., Chautauqua County, N. Y., and Ashtabula County, Ohio.

Next session, at Beaver Center, Pa., Sept., 1899.

*President*, Rev. H. H. Pershing, East Springfield, Pa.; *Secretary*, Herman Eldredge, 514 State Street, Erie, Pa.; *Treasurer*, Z. L. Sherman, East Springfield, Pa.

MINISTERS, ADDRESSES, PASTORATES.

*Bolton*, Ford, LeGrand, Iowa—(Student)  
Bullock, Irwin, Newark, N Y—Superannuated  
*Dillon*, J A, McLallens Corners, Pa—No pastorate  
Lawrence, J J, Francis, Pa—Fairview  
Loucks, D C, Dewittville, N Y—Dewittville  
Ludington, J H, Conneaut, O—(Physician)  
Mason, B, Springfield, O—Springfield (Miami O)  
Pershing, H H, East Springfield, Pa—Springfield  
Powers, O W, Conneaut O—Conneaut [Washington  
Shafer, Alonzo, Itley, Pa—Draketown—Franklin—Sweet, G W, Itley, Pa—Franklin  
Wyman, O T, Dewittville, N Y—No pastorate

Ordained, 10; licentiates, 2. Died since last report, J T Palmer.

CHURCH, PASTOR, VALUE, MEMBERS, CLERK. (See p.100)

*Bearlake*—J E Spriggs (Ohio), Bearlake, Pa \$3,500. 21—Bessie Phillips, Bearlake, Pa  
*Beaver Center*—E G Walk (Miami O), Springboro, Pa \$1,200. 85—J C Drury, Beaver Center, Pa  
*BLUE EYE*—J E Spriggs (Ohio), Bearlake, Pa \$1,000. 15—Richard Wells, Spring Creek, Pa  
*Conneaut*—O W Powers, Conneaut, O \$4,000. 141—F Erb, Conneaut, O  
*Dewittville*—D C Loucks, Dewittville, N Y \$2,400. 63—Geo F Leet, Pt Chautauqua, N Y  
*Draketown*—Alonzo Shafer, Itley, Pa \$2,000. 79—May Gardner, Itley, Pa  
*Erie*—J W Bolton (Eel R), 411 W 7th St, Erie, Pa \$5,500. 77—L Sherman, 905 Walnut St, Erie, Pa  
*Fairview*—J J Lawrence, Francis, Pa \$ 500. 32—Mrs George Zindel, Fairview, Pa  
*Franklin*—Alonzo Shafer, Itley, Pa \$ 000. 26—Mrs Chas P Harris, McLane, Pa  
Girard and Franklin—No pastor \$2,000. 30—Mrs A A Dawley, Francis, Pa  
*Hammonds Corners*—No pastor \$1,000. 24—Mrs Lucy Holden, Monroe, O  
*Hare Creek*—J E Spriggs (Ohio), Bearlake, Pa \$1,200. 41—E J Harvey, Wheelock, Pa  
*Pine Valley*—J E Spriggs (Ohio), Bearlake, Pa \$ 800. 33—Mrs Susie Barton, Bearlake, Pa  
*Springboro*—E G Walk (Miami O), Springboro, Pa \$5,500. 96—Miss M Cornell, Springboro, Pa  
*Springfield*—H H Pershing, East Springfield, Pa \$2,900. 125—Mrs Hala Ellis, East Springfield, Pa  
Washington—G W Sweet, Itley, Pa \$1,500. 69—Mrs Almira McGrory, McLallens Cor, Pa  
WATERFORD—No pastor \$ 200. 2—Mrs Amos Barrows, Waterford, Pa

17 churches—town, 9; country, 8. Preaching, full time, 7; half time, 6; once per month, 1; no pastor, 3. Totals—valuation, \$35,200; membership, 960. Endeavor societies, 12; Sunday schools, 15.

**Ontario Conference.**

(Reported by Secretary Fletcher.)

*Territory*—Comprises the Province of Ontario, Can. Next session, at Brougham, Ont., June 14, 1899.  
*President*, Rev. W. H. Chidley, Newmarket, Ontario, Can.; *Secretary*, Rev. W. P. Fletcher, Oshawa, Ontario, Can.; *Treasurer*, Rev. W. W. Trull, Newmarket, Ontario, Can.

**MINISTERS, ADDRESSES, PASTORATES.**

Chidley, W H, Newmarket, Ont, Can—King—Newmarket  
*Ferrier*, John M, Stanfordsville, N Y—Pine Plains (N Y E)  
 Fletcher, W Percy, Oshawa, Ont, Can—Oshawa  
 Garbutt, Thos, Little Britain, Ont, Can—Little Britain  
 Gould, E J, Apsley, Ont, Can—Chandos  
 Hainer, C H, Stouffville, Ont, Can—Altona—Bloomington—Ringwood  
*Inch*, W H, Oshawa, Ont, Can—No pastorate  
 Mallett, J H, Drayton, Ont, Can—Drayton  
*Morton*, F, Keswick, Ont, Can—No pastorate [—Scott  
 Percy, W, Stouffville, Ont, Can—Church Hill—Franklin  
 Perkins, G, Clove, N Y—Clove (N Y E) [—Union St  
 Prosser, D, Newmarket, Ont, Can—Baldwin—Keswick  
 Prosser, James, Castleton, Ont, Can—Castleton—Cramahe Hill  
 Prosser, S, Castleton, Ont, Can—No pastorate  
*Prosser*, W, Keswick, Ont, Can—No pastorate  
*Pryne*, Jacob, Ballantrae, Ont, Can—No pastorate  
 Russ, J L, Grafton, Ont, Can—No pastorate [ham  
 Ruttan, S N, Markham, Ont, Can—Brougham—Mark-Shoults, J H, So Westerlo, N Y—So Westerlo (N Y E)  
 Terry, W A, Eddystone, Ont, Can—Eddystone—Mt Carmel  
*Trull*, W W, Newmarket, Ont, Can—No pastorate  
*Van Norman*, Van, Keswick, Ont, Can—No pastorate  
 Willoughby, J, Harrison, Ont, Can—Harrison—Minto  
 Ordained, 16; licentiates, 7. Died since last report, W S Cowie, D Van Norman.

**CHURCH, PASTOR, VALUE, MEMBERS, CLEIK. (Scep. 100)**

Altona—C H Hainer, Stouffville, Ont, Can \$2,000. 34—Abijah Jones, Altona, Ont, Can  
 Baldwin—D Prosser, Newmarket, Ont, Can \$ 500. 12—Jas Anderson, Vatchell, Ont, Can  
 Bloomington—C H Hainer, Stouffville, Ont, Can \$3,500. 86—J H Ramer, Bloomington, Ont, Can  
 Brougham—S N Ruttan, Markham, Ont, Can \$3,000. 29—Robt Phillips, Brougham, Ont, Can  
 Castleton—James Prosser, Castleton, Ont, Can \$ 500. 28—H Moore, Castleton, Ont, Can  
 Chandos—E J Gould, Apsley, Ont, Can \$ 300. 12—Jacob Turk, Apsley, Ont, Can  
 Church Hill—W Percy, Stouffville, Ont, Can \$ 800. 37—W H Irvin, Ballantrae, Ont, Can  
 CRAMAHE HILL—James Prosser, Castleton, Ont, Can \$ 700. 12—R A Palmatier, Morganston, Ont, Can  
 Drayton—J H Mallett, Drayton, Ont, Can \$2,000. 47—Mrs D Peacock, Drayton, Ont, Can  
 Eddystone—W A Terry, Eddystone, Ont, Can \$ 900. 41—M Eddy, Grafton, Ont, Can  
 FRANKLIN—W Percy, Stouffville, Ont, Can \$ 600. 20—Geo Mainprize, Holt, Ont, Can  
 HARRISTON—J Willoughby, Harrison, Ont, Can \$ 300. 7—Miss Claire Annis, Harrison, Ont, Can  
 Keswick—D Prosser, Newmarket, Ont, Can \$2,500. 69—S B Purdy, Keswick, Ont, Can  
 King—W H Chidley, Newmarket, Ont, Can \$1,000. 55—W C Bogart, Kettleby, Ont, Can  
 Little Britain—Thos Garbutt, Little Britain, Ont, Can \$ 650. 40—D Noble, Cresswell, Ont, Can  
 Markham Village—S N Ruttan, Markham, Ont, Can \$ 800. 18—Mrs A T Moore, Markham, Ont, Can  
 Minto—J Willoughby, Harrison, Ont, Can \$ 800. 31—J Howes, Harrison, Ont, Can  
 Mt CARMEL—W A Terry, Eddystone, Ont, Can \$ 500. 24—W P Eddy, Castleton, Ont, Can  
 Newmarket—W H Chidley, Newmarket, Ont, Can \$15,000. 201—W R Travis, Newmarket, Ont, Can  
 Orono—No pastor \$4,500. 25—N F Hall, Orono, Ont, Can  
 Oshawa—W P Fletcher, Oshawa, Ont, Can \$12,000. 106—E S Dearborn, Oshawa, Ont, Can



REV. C. L. JACKSON, BOSTON, MASS.  
 General Evangelist.

Ringwood—C H Hainer, Stouffville, Ont, Can \$2,000. 37—J Burkholder, Ringwood, Ont, Can  
 Scott—W Percy, Stouffville, Ont, Can \$1,500. 12—J B Lemon, Sandford, Ont, Can  
 Seugog—Albert Henry (Conf?), Seugog, Ont, Can \$ 400. 21—Samuel McKinley, Seugog, Ont, Can  
 Union Street—D Prosser, Newmarket, Ont, Can \$ 500. 30—J Cowleson, Queensville, Ont, Can

25 churches—town, 5; country, 20. Preaching, full time, 9; half time, 15; no pastor, 1. Totals—valuation, \$8,350; membership, 1,034. Endeavor societies, 9; Sunday schools, 19.

**Recapitulation—New York, with New Jersey, Pennsylvania, and Ontario.**

(Last Year)

Totals—Ministers, 198; ordained, 165; licentiates, 33. 202 churches—town, 59; country, 143. Preaching, full time, 97; half time, 63; once per month, 22; no pastor, 20. Valuation, \$477,300; average valuation, \$2,362. Membership, 12,725; average membership, 63. Endeavor societies, 94; no Endeavor, 108. Sunday schools, 175; no Sunday schools, 27.

**Recapitulation—New York, with New Jersey, Pennsylvania, and Ontario.**

(This Year)

Totals—Ministers, 197; ordained, 168; licentiates, 29. 200 churches—town, 59; country, 141. Preaching, full time, 107; half time, 54; once per month, 18; no pastor, 21. Valuation, \$472,400; average valuation, \$2,312. Membership, 12,402; average membership, 62. Endeavor societies, 89; no Endeavor, 111. Sunday schools, 174; no Sunday schools, 26.

## Ohio State Association.

(Reported by Secretary Howsare.)

*Territory*—Embraces the State of Ohio.

Next session (place and date not given).

*President*, Rev. Oliver W. Powers, Conneaut; *Vice-Presidents*, Rev. N. Del McReynolds, Yellow Springs, Miami Conference; Rev. G. C. Hill, Centerburg, Mt. Vernon Conference; Rev. W. H. Thompson, Ansonia, Northwestern Conference; Rev. H. E. Butler, Peerless, Central Conference; Rev. L. M. Shinkle, Five Mile, Southern Conference; Rev. Wm. J. Warrener, Federal, Eastern Conference; Rev. John A. Southward, Five Points, Ohio Conference. *Department Secretaries*—Education, Rev. W. H. Denison, Troy; Relief, Rev. N. W. Crowell, Columbus; Publications, Rev. H. Y. Rush, West Milton; Sunday Schools, Rev. F. H. Peters, Yellow Springs; Christian Endeavor, Rev. Carl Summerbell, Dayton; Missions, Rev. Henry Crampton, Richmond, Ind.; Finance, Rev. Albert Dunlap, Columbus; Recording Secretary, Rev. McDaniel Howsare, Versailles. *Trustees* elected in 1898: Rev. Enos Peters, Johnstown; Geo. A. Worley, Covington. Postoffices in Ohio.

## Miami Ohio Conference.

(Reported by Secretary Vaughan.)

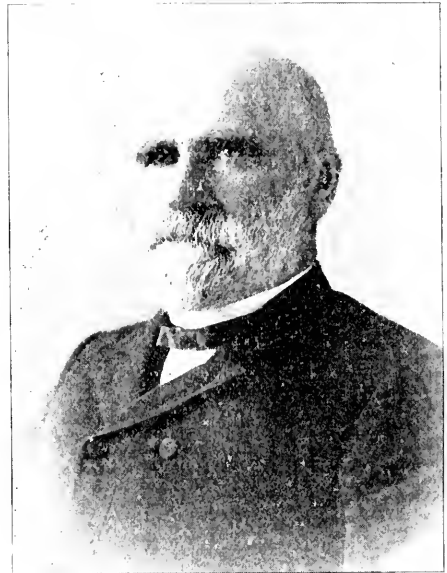
*Territory*—Parts of Hamilton, Preble, Darke, Shelby, Miami, Montgomery, Warren, Greene, Clark, Champaign counties.

Next session (place not given), September 2, 1899.

*President*, Rev. S. S. Newhouse, Marion, Ind.; *Vice-President*, Rev. N. Del McReynolds, Yellow Springs, O.; *Secretary*, Rev. B. F. Vaughan, Centerville, O.; *Treasurer*, Rev. W. T. Warbinton, Hagerstown, Ind.

## MINISTERS, ADDRESSES, PASTORATES.

Beck, F H, Kessler, O—Superannuated  
 Bellar, Wilham, Lebanon, O—Superannuated  
 Bishop, J G, Dayton, O—Mission Secy, A C C  
 Bishop, Emily K, Dayton, O—Asst Miss Secy  
 Brandon, Richard, West Milton, O—Superannuated  
 Brown, Eliza L, Liberty, Ind—No pastorate  
 Brown, L D, Vme, O—Pleasant Ridge (E Ind)  
*Calhoun*, Mary E, Yellow Springs, O—(Antioch Student)  
 Clark, Philip, Tippecanoe, O—No pastorate  
 Coddington, C H, Conover, O—No pastorate  
 Crampton, Henry, Richmond, Ind—Concord—Enon  
 Debra, I L, West Milton, O—No pastorate  
 Denison, Warren H, Troy, O—Troy  
 Enders, Geo G, Oberlin, O—(Student Theological Sem)  
 Etter, J E, Warren, Ind—Warren (Ecl R)  
 Fenner, J B, Portland, Ind—Portland (E Ind)  
*Flammer*, William, Covington, O—(Student U C C)  
 Furnas, O P, Fidelity, O—West Milton—West Union  
 Griffith, G L, Troy, O—Superannuated  
 Gross, W A, Springfield, O—No pastorate  
 Hawley, M F, New Paris, O—No pastorate  
 Hiltbrand, J M, Dayton, O—No pastorate  
 Hoeffer, C W, Middletown, Ind—Fall Creek—Middletown—Mooreland—Straughn (E Ind)  
 Hoeffer, H G, North Clayton, O—No pastorate  
 Hock, C F, No Pembroke, N Y—No Pembroke (N Y W)  
 Howsare, McD, Versailles, O—Versailles  
 Husted, D S, Greenville, O—No pastorate  
 Jones, C J, Eddytown, N Y—Eddytown (N Y C)  
 Judy, DeK, Greenville, O—Coletown—Fairview (E Ind)  
 Kerr, Alva M, Dayton, O—Plattsburg—Wolf Creek  
 Kirby, J O, Christiansburg, O—Cove Springs  
 Klink, E C, So Solon, O—Hood. So Solon (O Cen)  
*Knife*, D H, Fidelity, O—No pastorate  
 Lottridge, Wallace, Marion, Ind—No pastorate  
 Luck, C E, Fall River, Mass—Fall River (First)—Dartmouth (Smith Mills) (R I & Mass)  
 McCullough, Peter, Dayton, O—Superannuated  
 McDaniel, C A, Yellow Springs, O—(Antioch Student)  
 McKinney, A L, Troy, O—No pastorate  
 McReynolds, N Del, Yellow Springs, Ohio—Centerburg—Sparta (Mt V)  
 McWhinney, T M, Franklin, O—Author and Lecturer  
 Morton, S C, Tippecanoe City, O—No pastorate  
 Newhouse, S S, Marion, Ind—Marion (Ecl R)  
*Period*, N W, Oran, O—No pastorate  
 Phillips, C C, West Milton, O—Superannuated



REV. W. T. WARBINTON, HAGERSTOWN, IND.  
Miami Ohio Conference.

Rapp, E M, Piqua, Ohio—No pastorate  
 Reed, E S, Greenville, O—Superannuated  
 Rhodes, E E, Eaton, O—No pastorate  
 Royse, W L, Ludlow, O—Evangelist and Lecturer  
 Rush, H Y, West Milton, O—Evangelistic Work  
 Seever, Benj, Springfield, O—Superannuated  
 Stoddard, Rosa Lee, Dayton, O—No pastorate  
 Summerbell, Carl, Dayton, O—Dayton  
 Thomas, Joel, Arcanum, O—Superannuated  
 Thomas, Omer S, West Milton, O—Fidelity—Greenville Creek—Shiloh Springs  
 Thompson, Flora, Dayton, Ohio—No pastorate  
 Ullery, J F, Conneaut, O—Principal Public Schools  
 Underwood, Walter, Springfield, O—Physician  
 Vaughan, B F, Centerville, O—General Work  
 Walk, E G, Springboro, Pa—Beaver Center—Springboro (Erie) [(E Ind)  
 Warbinton, W T, Hagerstown, Ind—Hagerstown  
 Watson, J P, Dayton, O—Editor S S Literature  
 Waymire, I C, Jamton, O—Bloomer (Conf?)  
 Weeks, J W, Dayton, O—No pastorate  
 Zeigler, E G, Lakeville, N Y—Lakeville (N Y C)  
 Ordained, 56; licentiate, 8.

## CHURCH, PASTOR, VALUE, MEMBERS, CLERK. (See p. 100.)

Addison—S D Bennett (S O), Christiansburg, O  
 \$ 300. 144—Alozzo C Le-fel, Christiansburg, O  
 Bethany—J B Lawwill (S O), Lebanon, O  
 \$ 2,400. 277—Smith Hatfield, Lebanon, O  
 Bethel—No pastor  
 \$ 300. 73—J W Shoup, Troy, O  
 Bethlehem—J F Burnett (S O), Eaton, O  
 \$1,000. 94—M N Black, West Alexandria, O [O  
 Boyd (Circlehill)—W H Thompson (N W O), Ansonia,  
 \$1,400. 118—Alice West, Red River, O  
 Carysville—C B Ryon (N W O), Palestine, O  
 \$ 250. 180—T J West, Carysville, O  
 Chambersburg—G R Mell (N W O), Versailles, O  
 \$ 400. 51—Priscilla R Huey, Chambersburg, O  
 Charity Chapel—Geo B Cain (E Ind), Fletcher, O  
 \$ 800. 205—W H Prince, Ballou, O  
 Concord—Henry Crampton, Richmond, Ind  
 \$3,000. 90—W E Ross, Ernest, O  
 Cove Spring—J O Kirby, Christiansburg, O  
 \$2,000. 120—A S Davis, Alcony, O

Covington—W D Samuel (Eel R), Covington, O  
\$18,000. 643—W W Whitmer, Covington, O  
Dayton—Carl Summerbell, Dayton, O  
\$5,000. 140—P A Weaver, Dayton, O  
Eaton—J F Burnett (S O), Eaton, O  
\$16,000. 210—S J Galloway, Eaton, O  
Enon—Henry Crampton, Richmond, Ind  
\$2,000. 87—Hettie Esterline, Enon, O  
Fellowship—No pastor  
\$1,200. 90—John Hoff, Mason, O  
Fidelity—Omer S Thomas, West Milton, O  
\$1,400. 115—J R Furnas, Fidelity, O  
Franklin—Mills Harrod (Mt Ver), Franklin, O  
\$15,000. 145—Clara E Marshall, Middletown, O  
Genstown—J B Lawwill (S O), Lebanon, O  
\$1,500. 133—Eugene Evans, Leelan, O  
Glady Creek—C A Williams (O Cen), Raymonds, O  
\$1,200. 93—Wm Scarborough, West Liberty, O  
Greenville—S G Palmer (N Y E), Greenville, O  
\$7,000. 215—A C Brandon, Greenville, O  
Greenville Creek—Omer S Thomas, West Milton, O  
\$ 600. 58—David Patty, Bradford, O  
Honey Creek—S D Bennett (S O), Christiansburg, O  
\$ 600. 129—J S Black, Christiansburg, O  
Hood (Twin Creek)—E C Klink, South Solon, O  
\$1,000. 81—T L Howell, West Manchester, O  
Hopewell—H J Duckworth (O Cen), Mt Sterling, O  
\$3,000. 273—N T Hill, Pleasant Hill, O  
Houston—G R Mell (N W O), Versailles, O  
\$2,000. 66—W J Flynn, Houston, O  
Jamestown—No pastor  
\$3,000. 64—M T Ross, Jamestown, O  
Laura—C J Hance (N W O), Spencerville, O  
\$1,000. 146—Albert Hart, Laura, O  
Lost Creek—S D Bennett (S O), Christiansburg, O  
\$ 800. 55—Miss Esther Kirby, Christiansburg, O  
Lower Stillwater—C J Hance (N W O), Spencerville, O  
\$1,500. 45—Wm Sinks, Union, O  
Ludlow Falls—No pastor  
\$3,000. 145—A J Iddings, Ludlow, O [erty, O  
McKees Creek—Rebecca Kershner (E Ind), West Lib-  
\$ 600. 61—J B Hooley, West Liberty, O  
Miamiville—Ora L Pridge (S O), Russellville, O  
\$ ,000. 73—Mrs Charles Westerman, Miamiville, O  
New Carlisle—Clark B Kershner (E Ind), New Carlisle, O  
\$1,200. 25—Mrs D F Aiken, New Carlisle, O [O  
New Palestine—C B Ryon (N W O), Palestine, O  
\$ 800. 62—R N Shaw, Sidney, O  
North Clayton—Thos Butt (Conf?), Piqua, O  
\$ 900. 47—D Heckendorn, Covington, O  
Oran—Geo B Cain (E Ind), Fletcher, O  
\$1,500. 138—G W Short, Loramie, O  
Phillipsburg—G R Mell (N W O), Versailles, O  
\$1,500. 110—Della Baker, Center, O  
Piqua—Horace Mann (N Y W), Piqua, O  
\$25,000. 343—J T Sanders, Piqua, O  
Plattsburg—Alva M Kerr, Dayton, O  
\$1,500. 99—John Osborn, Plattsburg, O  
Remington—No pastor  
\$2,000. 58—Belle Buckingham, Remington, O  
Salem—No pastor  
\$2,000. 50—Effe E Rogers, Clayton, O  
Shiloh Springs—Omer S Thomas, West Milton, O  
\$1,500. 73—D W Klepinger, Dayton, O  
Spring Creek—C A Garner (N W O), West Cairo, O  
\$ 700. 183—John Duer, Ballou, O  
Springfield—B Mason (Erie), Springfield, O  
\$8,000. 151—W A Gross, Springfield, O  
Sugar Creek—H A Smith (Mt V), Yellow Springs O  
\$1,500. 99—B F Vaughan, Centerville, O  
Troy—Warren H Denison, Troy, O  
\$15,000. 467—Ina E Macy, Troy, O  
Union Chapel—B F Kemp (Conf?), Union City, Ind  
\$ 250. 186—Wm Fair, Red River, O  
Versailles—McD Howsare, Versailles, O  
\$8,000. 312—L Marker, Versailles, O  
West Grove—No pastor  
\$ 800. 123—J F Buckingham, Painter Creek, O  
West Liberty—Rebecca Kershner (E Ind), W Liberty, O  
\$1,500. 27—Miss Anna Kershner, West Liberty, O  
West Manchester—J M Brown (O Cen), W Manchester, O  
\$1,500. 95—Jennie Barnes, West Manchester, O [O  
West Milton—O P Furnas, Fidelity, O  
\$2,000. 180—Miss A B Cox, West Milton, O  
West Union—O P Furnas, Fidelity, O  
\$1,500. 315—S C Kessler, Kessler, O  
Wolf Creek—Alva M Kerr, Dayton, O  
\$1,800. 64—N G Worley, Trotwood, O



REV. L. GANDER, VAUGHNSVILLE, OHIO.  
Northwestern Ohio Conference.

Yellow Springs—Frank H Peters (Mt V), Yellow Springs,  
\$3,000. 101—B F Hoagland, Yellow Springs, O [O  
55 churches—town, 31; country, 24. Preaching, full  
time, 10; half time, 15; once per month, 23; no pas-  
tor, 7. Totals—valuation, \$184,100; membership,  
7,615. Endeavor societies, 20; Sunday schools, 55.

## Northwestern Ohio Conference,

(Reported by Secretary Mell.)

**Territory**—Bounded on the north by Michigan to Toledo, on the east from Toledo to Marion by the C., H. V & T. R., on the south from Marion to Union City by the C., C., C. & St. L., on the west from Union City to Michigan by Indiana.

Next session, at St. Johns, Ohio, September 30, 1899.  
**President**, John Akerman, Herring, O.; **Vice-President**, Rev. A. Noffsinger, Dupont, O.; **Secretary**, Rev. G. R. Mell, Versailles, O.; **Treasurer**, M. B. Wheeler, Wapakoneta, Ohio.

### MINISTERS, ADDRESSES, PASTORATES.

Bell, S A, Quincy, O.—No pastorate [Valley—Sixmile  
Bray, W O, Grover Hill, O.—New Bethany—Pleasant  
Bushong, John, Columbus Grove, O.—Superannuated  
Chapman, J M, Delphos, O.—No pastorate  
**Dean**, Ellen, Indianapolis, Ind.—No pastorate  
Deck, W N, Bryan, O.—No pastorate  
**Faucett**, I M, Columbus Grove, O.—No pastorate [Conf?]  
Foltz, G W, Deshler, O.—Vaughnsville, Buckland  
Gander, Lewis, Vaughnsville, O.—No pastorate  
Garner, G B, Herring, O.—Bethlehem—Bible Chapel—  
Harrods—Lafayette—West Minister  
Garner, C A, West Cairo, O.—Spring Creek (Miami O).  
Noble (E Ind)  
Hance, C J, Spencerville, O.—Loganville. Lower Still-  
water—Laura (Miami O)  
Hager, J S, Junction, O.—Superannuated  
Heston, Thomas, Degraft, O.—Superannuated  
Hunt, E E, Spencerville, O.—Spencerville—St Johns  
Kline, L Q, West Minister, O.—Delphos—Twomile  
Lepley, D, Lima, O.—No pastorate [Grove (O Cen)  
Lobaugh, D, Dupont, O.—Dupont—McDonald, Pleasant  
Lobaugh, C V, Continental, O.—Flat Rock—Maumee

Leonard, A, Grover Hill, O—No pastorate  
Lundy, W L, Williamsport, O—Antioch—Rennick  
Chapel—Williamsport (O Cen)  
Mansfield, T H, Defiance, O—Antwerp—Rosehill  
Maus, A W, Rice, O—No pastorate [White Feather—  
McCague, F, Arthur, O—Bethel—Cherry Grove—  
McCloud, N S, Dunkirk, O—No pastorate  
Mell, G R, Versailles, O—Beamsville (E Ind). Cham-  
bersburg—Houston—Phillipsburg (Miami O)  
Noffsinger, A, Dupont, O—Mt Zion—Olive Branch—  
Oakley, H M, Dunlap, Kan—No pastorate [West Cairo  
Rimer, W C, Columbus Grove, O—Miami—Middle  
River—Mucinippi  
Rogers, J H, Antwerp, O—No pastorate (Miami O)  
Ryon, C B, Palestine, O—Carysville—New Palestine  
Slane, J M, Wetsel, O—No pastorate  
Smith, S E, Dupont, O—Manville [(Miami O)  
Thompson, W H, Ansonia, O—Ottawa River, Boyd  
Tingle, J F, Eaton, O—Superannuated  
Todd, N C, Defiance, O—Superannuated  
Tucker, B F, Bloom Center, O—Antioch—Blanchard  
Woolley, Wm, Columbus Grove, O—No pastorate  
Ordained, 32; licentates, 6.

## CHURCH, PASTOR, VALUE, MEMBERS, CLERK. (See p. 100.)

Ansonia—H J Duckworth (O Cen), Mt Sterling, O  
\$5,000, 188—W Reed, Ansonia, O  
Antioch—B F Tucker, Bloom Center, O  
\$ 860, 48—C Henry, Mandale, O  
Antwerp—T H Mansfield, Defiance, O  
\$1,500, 86—A Bauserman, Antwerp, O  
Bethel—F McCague, Arthur, O  
\$1,200, 134—J H McCague, Arthur, O  
Blanchard—B F Tucker, Bloom Center, O  
\$ 800, 65—E H Johnson, Dunkirk, O  
Bethlehem—G B Garner, Herring, O  
\$1,000, 62—S E Hefner, Harrods, O  
Bible Chapel—G B Garner, Herring, O  
\$1,200, 24—Edward May, Herring, O  
Cherry Grove—F McCague, Arthur, O  
\$ 900, 75—T H Graham, South Warren, O  
Delphos—L Q Kline, West Minister, O  
\$1,000, 50—J M Chapman, Delphos, O  
Dupont—D Lobaugh, Dupont, O  
\$ 800, 34—W H Smith, Dupont, O  
FLAT ROCK—C V Lobaugh, Continental, O  
\$ 300, 43—J Miller, Westville, O  
Harrods—G B Garner, Herring, O  
\$ 700, 58—A Harrod, Harrods, O  
Hartford—C A Tracy (Conf ?), Dupont, O  
\$ 300, 63—R Brooks, Spencerville, O  
Lafayette—G B Garner, Herring, O  
\$2,000, 131—F M Thayer, Herring, O  
LIBERTY—No pastor  
\$ 500, 31—C Snapp, Jackson Center, O  
Loganville—C J Hance, Spencerville, O  
\$1,800, 80—M S Roher, Loganville, O  
Manville—S E Smith, Dupont, O  
\$ 100, 12—J S Parrot, Antwerp, O  
Maumee—C V Lobaugh, Continental, O  
\$ 700, 30—C H Parrot, Antwerp, O  
McDonald—D Lobaugh, Dupont, O  
\$1,000, 54—B Holt, Jumbo, O  
Miami—W C Rimer, Columbus Grove, O  
\$ 400, 56—A L Stevens, Pemberton, O  
Middle Creek—D Lobaugh, Dupont, O  
\$1,000, 53—G W Gillespie, Groverhill, O  
Middle River—W C Rimer, Columbus Grove, O  
\$ 300, 39—J Burkholder, Delphos, O  
Miller City—C A Tracy (Conf ?), Dupont, O  
\$ 700, 32—G H Riggle, Miller City, O  
Mt Zion—A Noffsinger, Dupont, O  
\$1,000, 115—G R Parrot, Continental, O  
Mucinippi—W C Rimer, Columbus Grove, O  
\$2,000, 51—M M Wright, Bloom Center, O  
New Bethany—W O Bray, Groverhill, O  
\$ 300, 27—G W Carrell, Roselms, O [Iisle, O  
New Richland—Clark B Kershner (E Ind), New Car-  
\$ 450, 73—Charles Walter, New Richland, O  
Oak Grove—No pastor  
\$2,000, 24—Miss Mattie Whetstone, Wapakoneta, O  
Olive Branch—A Noffsinger, Dupont, O  
\$1,200, 20—G W Bowers, Convoy, O  
Ottawa River—W H Thompson, Ansonia, O  
\$1,450, 242—B F Seitz, Columbus Grove, O  
Pleasant Valley—W O Bray, Groverhill, O  
\$ 300, 41—J Bruce, Scott, O

Richfield—J W Dennen (Conf ?), Berkey, O  
\$3,000, 77—Mrs Ella Tucker, Berkey, O  
Rosehill—T H Mansfield, Defiance, O  
\$ 300, 38—Geo Hostler, Paulding, O  
Sixmile—W O Bray, Groverhill, O  
\$ 250, 44—I Laymon, Reids, O  
South Pulaski—No pastor  
\$1,000, 50—J H Holt, Bryan, O  
Spencerville—E E Hunt, Spencerville, O  
\$2,500, 190—S L Fryer, Spencerville, O  
St Johns—E E Hunt, Spencerville, O  
\$1,200, 83—G G Lusk, St Johns, O  
Teegarden—J A Watson (E Ind), Harrisville, Ind  
\$1,500, 210—O F Bennett, Union City, Ind  
Twomile—L Q Kline, West Minister, O  
\$1,500, 108—M Kiser, Criddersville, O  
Vaughnsville—G W Foltz, Deshler, O  
\$1,000, 220—J M Cratty, Vaughnsville, O  
West Cairo—A Noffsinger, Dupont, O  
\$2,400, 185—D D Thomas, West Cairo, O  
West Union—C A Tracy (Conf ?), Dupont, O  
\$ 800, 20—J Locherage, Southworth, O  
White Feather—F McCague, Arthur, O  
\$1,500, 35—A Harshbarger, McCartyville, O  
West Minister—G B Garner, Herring, O  
\$1,500, 27—L Q Kline, West Minister, O

44 churches—town, 18; country, 26. Preaching,  
full time, 1; half time, 23; once per month, 17; no  
pastor, 3. Total—valuation, \$31,150; membership,  
3,330. Endeavor societies, 20; Sunday schools, 42.

## Southern Ohio Conference.

(Reported by Secretary Pride.)

*Territory*—Comprises counties of Adams, Brown,  
Clermont, Hamilton, Clinton, and Highland, in Ohio,  
and contiguous territory in Ohio and Kentucky not  
belonging to other conferences.

Next session, at Higginsport, Ohio, Oct. —, 1899.

*President*, Rev. J. F. Burnett, Eaton, O.; *Vice Presi-*  
*dent*, Rev. C. L. Singer, Pt. Isabel, O.; *Secretary*, Rev.  
Ora L. Pride, Russellville, O.; *Treasurer*, E. J. Prather,  
Felicity, O.

## MINISTERS, ADDRESSES, PASTORATES.

Bagby, T F, Feesburg, O—No pastorate  
Bagby, W W, Hamersville, O—No pastorate  
Bennett, S D, Christiansburg, O—Addison—Honey  
Creek—Lost Creek (Miami O)  
Bowman, T J, Ripley, O—Fincastle—Millers Chapel.  
Elbethel (Ky 1)  
Broad, W R, West Union, O—No pastorate  
Brown, C O, Clermontville, O—Mt Zion—Pisgah  
Burnett, J F, Eaton, O—Bethlehem—Eaton (Miami O)  
Daugherty, J P, Ripley, O—No pastorate  
DeVore, E A, Richmond, Ind—(Journalist)  
Dolby, W H, Nicholasville, O—No pastorate  
Gaskins, H A, Manchester, O—Browns Chapel—Eagle  
Chapel—Farmers Chapel  
Glassecock, T H, Ellsberry, O—Bethlehem  
Glaze, Joseph, Russellville, O—No pastorate  
Graybill, T W, Sheeprun, O—Superannuated  
Guid, G H, New Hope, O—Superannuated [(Mt V)  
Halterman, Ina Hill, Utica, O—Same as C L Halterman  
Jackson, Geo B, Hamilton, OHarwood—Westboro—  
Jones, J C, Dumbarton, O—No pastorate  
Lawwill, C C, Ellsberry, O—Bible Class—Higginsport—  
Liberty Chapel  
Lawwill, J B, Lebanon, O—Bethany—Genstown  
Long, D A, Yellow Springs, O—Prest A C [(Miami O)  
McDaniel, R H, Yellow Springs, O—Centerville—  
Grassy Point—Milford Center—Summerford (O  
Mefford, W W, Russellville, O—Pleasant Hill [(Cen)  
Melvin, T J, Neville, O—Fellowship—Union (A C)  
Morris, S T, West Manchester, O—No pastorate  
Pangburn, Wm, Sheeprun, O—Superannuated  
Patsler, Henry, Sunshine, O—No pastorate  
Prather, John H, Manchester, O—No pastorate  
Pride, Ora L, Russellville, O—Russellville, Miami-  
ville (Miami O)  
Pursley, Mrs Nettie, Bethel, O—No pastorate  
Sheeley, Mrs Adaline, West Union, O—No pastorate  
Shelton, John, Aberdeen, O—No pastorate  
Shinkle, L M, Fivemile, O—No pastorate  
Singer, C L, Pt Isabel, O—Mt Pleasant—Pt Isabel

*Stratton*, Lot, Sunshine, O—Westfork (Conf?) [Chapel  
*Swope*, S L, Felicity, O—Antioch—Feesburg—Poplar  
*Tatman*, Ira, Hamersville, O—No pastorate  
*Vandermer*, J C, Newhope, O—No pastorate [(Conf?)  
*Watt*, C W, Wallsburg, O—Eastwood—Newport  
*Walker*, I M, Covington, Ky—Christian Chapel—Fair-  
 view Chapel—Waltu Grove  
*Wallace*, Jacob, Williamsburg, O—No pastorate  
*Warlow*, James, Neville, O—No pastorate  
*West*, J P, West Union, O—No pastorate

Ordained, 31; licentiates, 12. Died since last re-  
 port, G. W. Metford.

CHURCH, PASTOR, VALUE, MEMBERS, CLERK. (See p. 100.)

ANTIOCH—(Ky)—No pastor  
 \$ 00. 15—W H Grimes, Caddo, Ky  
 Antioch—S L Swope, Felicity, O  
 \$1,500. 14—H S Trisler, Maple, O  
 Bethlehem—T H Glasscock, Ellsberry, O  
 \$1,800. 334—R F Gray, Ellsberry, O  
 Bible Chapel—C C Lawwill, Ellsberry, O  
 \$ 800. 123—T F Bagby, Feesburg, O  
 Browns Chapel—H A Gaskins, Manchester, O  
 \$1,200. 124—Reuben Wilson, Mt Oreb, O  
 Christian Chapel—I M Walker, Covington, Ky  
 \$ 800. 110—W C Warren, Hulington, O  
 DALLAS—No pastor  
 \$ 150. 25—David Deakynne, Dallas, O  
 Eagle Chapel—H A Gaskins, Manchester, O  
 \$1,500. 95—Mrs Ollie Adamson, Neel, O  
 Enon—James Tumlen (Ky 1), Ellsberry, O  
 \$ 300. 37—T C Keeper, Ellsberry, O  
 Fairview Chapel—I M Walker, Covington, Ky  
 \$ 800. 136—J C Kimball, Wallsburg, O  
 Farmers Chapel—H A Gaskins, Manchester, O  
 \$ 800. 198—Elmer Foster, Hamersville, O  
 Feesburg—S L Swope, Felicity, O  
 \$2,000. 136—J E White, Feesburg, O  
 Fellowship—T J Melvin, Neville, O  
 \$ 200. 96—Hannah Bowman, Hiatt, O  
 Finecastle—T J Bowman, Ripley, O  
 \$ 800. 88—W T Hedrick, Winchester, O  
 Fivemile—No pastor  
 \$1,000. 147—J D Shannon, Fivemile, O  
 Harwood—Geo B Jackson, Hamilton, O  
 \$ 500. 116—John Cochran, Pulse, O  
 Hiatt Chapel—No pastor  
 \$1,000. 7—J C Martin, Hiatt, O  
 Higginsport—C C Lawwill, Ellsberry, O  
 \$2,000. 285—Mrs J W Brookbark, Higginsport, O  
 Liberty Chapel—C C Lawwill, Ellsberry, O  
 \$ 800. 40—Mrs Ida Wilfert, Fruitthill, O  
 Manchester—No pastor  
 \$ 000. 26—J K Lawwill, Manchester, O  
 Millers Chapel—T J Bowman, Ripley, O  
 \$1,000. 66—John V Sanders, Newmarket, O  
 Mt Joy—No pastor  
 \$ 500. 99—R S Jones, Mt Joy, O  
 Mt Pleasant—C L Singer, Pt Isabel, O  
 \$1,200. 171—C P Folks, Felicity, O  
 Mt Zion—C O Brown, Clermontville, O  
 \$2,000. 270—G W Buchanan, Clermontville, O  
 Neville—Marshall Gray (Ky 1), Bradyville, O  
 \$1,000. 84—J H Wood, Neville, O  
 Newhope (Ky)—No pastor  
 \$ 500. 82—J S Smith, Mt Auburn, Ky  
 Oak Grove—James Tumlen (Ky 1), Ellsberry, O  
 \$1,000. 90—J A Stroman, West Union, O  
 OLIVE CHAPEL—No pastor  
 \$ 800. 25—Wm F Kinnett, Georgetown, O  
 Piquah—C O Brown, Clermontville, O  
 \$3,000. 227—A A Chapman, Levanna, O  
 Pleasant Hill—W W Mcford, Russellville, O  
 \$ 200. 159—Sherman Secondollar, Winchester, O  
 Poplar Chapel—S L Swope, Felicity, O  
 \$1,250. 61—Miss Jessie Winder, Wiggonsville, O  
 Pt Isabel—C L Singer, Pt Isabel, O  
 \$ 800. 162—A M Swope, Pt Isabel, O  
 Russellville—Ora L Pride, Russellville, O  
 \$2,000. 212—W P Fuller, Redoak, O  
 Stontsrn—No pastor  
 \$ 600. 91—Mrs Ida Hempelman, Selig, O  
 Tenmile—James Tumlen (Ky 1), Ellsberry, O  
 \$ 500. 90—Bert Linsey, Nice, O  
 Union (A C)—T J Melvin, Neville, O  
 \$ 750. 125—Isaiah Shipley, Bentonville, O

UNION (B C)—No pastor  
 \$1,500. 99—W L Shinkle, Higginsport, O  
 Walnut Grove—I M Walker, Covington, Ky  
 \$1,000. 36—Edgar Boyce, Blowville, O  
 Westboro—Geo B Jackson, Hamilton, O  
 \$2,000. 95—Miss Kate M Wood, Westboro, O  
 39 churches—town, 10; country, 29. Preaching,  
 half time, 14; once per month, 15; no pastor, 10.  
 Totals—valuation, \$39,550; membership, 4,793. En-  
 deavor societies, 12; Sunday schools, 35.

## Ohio Eastern Conference.

(Reported by Secretary Gregory.)

Next session, at Columbia, O., Aug. 24, 1899.  
*President*, Rev. H. B. Briley, Carbon Hill, O.; *Vice-*  
*President*, Rev. Samuel Lewis, Angel, O.; *Secretary*,  
 W. B. Gregory, Pointrock, O.; *Treasurer*, Rev. Wm.  
 J. Warren, Federal, O.

MINISTERS, ADDRESSES, PASTORATES.

*Adams*, A A, Dyson, O—No pastorate  
 Angel, J A, Gallipolis, O—Pleasant Valley—Union  
 Chapel  
 Arthur, W H, Gallipolis, O—Antioch—Columbia  
 —Graham Chapel—Mt Zion  
*Bennett*, B, Jacksonville, O—No pastorate  
*Briley*, N, Jackson Hill, O—No pastorate  
*Briley*, Chas, Carbon Hill, O—No pastorate  
 Briley, H B, Carbon Hill, O—Superannuated  
 Cardwell, W W, Chestnutgrove, O—No pastorate  
*Carpenter*, Jas B, Sharpburg, O—No pastorate  
*Coc*, Thoms, Carbon Hill, O—No pastorate  
*Coc*, Thos, Haydensville, O—No pastorate  
 Drake, Asa, Waterloo, O—Superannuated  
 Grover, H A, Pine Grove, O—No pastorate  
 Lewis, Samuel, Angel, O—No pastorate  
 Long, G L, Chestnutgrove, O—No pastorate  
 Massie, Jas B, Okey, O—No pastorate  
*Nelson*, Wm, Dexter, O—No pastorate  
 Phillips, Wm, Varico, O—Little Kyger  
*Rose*, R C, Bidwell, O—No pastorate  
*Sethy*, Ralph, Jacksonville, O—No pastorate  
 Simmons, L E, Wilkesville, O—Morgan—Salem  
 Smith, J V, Pinegrove, O—Superannuated  
*Spencer*, Thos, Sand Run, O—No pastorate  
 Swarr, Marcus—No pastorate  
 Warren, Wm J, Federal, O—Langsville—Monroe  
 Ordained, 14; licentiates, 11.

CHURCH, PASTOR, VALUE, MEMBERS, CLERK. (See p. 100.)

Antioch—W H Arthur, Gallipolis, O  
 \$ 600. 75—A Wilcox, Chestnutgrove, O  
 Bulaville—No pastor  
 \$1,000. 56—Mrs T L Horn, Bulaville, O  
 Carbon Hill—No pastor  
 \$ 000. 51—Geo Donaldson, Carbon Hill, O  
 Champaign—No pastor  
 \$ 200. 181—N Strausbaugh, Vanceton, O  
 Coes Chapel—No pastor  
 \$1,000. 75—A A Devoil, Carbon Hill, O  
 Columbia—W H Arthur, Gallipolis, O  
 \$ 800. 213—Edwin Westfall, Point Rock, O  
 Cooks Chapel—No pastor  
 \$ 200. 50—Moria Patten, Haydensville, O  
 Dickson Run—No pastor  
 \$ 600. 59—J H Mungan, Keystone, O  
 East Gallipolis—No pastor  
 \$ 700. 12—Mary E Jacobs, Gallipolis, O  
 ELIZABETH—No pastor  
 \$ 300. 100—H Plymale, Thivener, O  
 Fairview—No pastor  
 \$ 500. 70—J F Pyle, Waterloo, O  
 Graham Chapel—W H Arthur, Gallipolis, O  
 \$ 500. 54—F C Riley, Judson, O  
 JACKSONVILLE—No pastor  
 \$1,200. 13—Ed Waring, Jacksonville, O  
 Kittanning—No pastor  
 \$ 600. 31—R L Carmichael, Starr, O  
 Langsville—Wm J Warren, Federal, O  
 \$ 900. 75—Gus McDonald, Langsville, O  
 Liberty—No pastor  
 \$ 200. 130—G W Lemon, Bladen, O





REV. WM. J. WARRENER, FEDERAL, OHIO.

Ohio Eastern Conference.

Little Kyger—Wm Phillips, Yarico O \$ 600. 58—Wyat Mink, Addison, O  
*Macedonia*—No pastor  
 \$ 350. 127—W H H Boster, Hilton, O  
*Monroe*—Wm J Warren, Federal, O  
 \$ 50. 50—Mary E Drake, Comly, O  
 Morgan—L E Simmons, Wilkesville, O  
 \$1,000. 100—A M Grover, Pinegrove, O  
 Mound Hill—No pastor  
 \$ 700. 15—Wm J Warren, Federal, O  
 Mt Zion—W H Arthur, Gallipolis, O  
 \$ 700. 139—W S Wollett, Nelsonville, O  
 Mt Zion—No pastor  
 \$1,200. 67—Nathaniel Wood, Joy, O  
 Okey—No pastor  
 \$ 500. 70—C A Wiseman, Okey, O  
 Pleasant Valley—J A Angel, Gallipolis, O  
 \$ 800. 35—P Smith, Stewart, O  
 Prospect—No pastor  
 \$ 000. 60—E E Sprague, Evergreen, O  
 Salem—L E Simmons, Wilkesville, O  
 \$1,000. 100—W C Turner, Dexter, O  
 Union Chapel—J A Angel, Gallipolis, O  
 \$ 300. 62—D W Smith, Vinton, O  
 Wrightstown—No pastor  
 \$ 450. 75—C A Butler, Calvary, O  
 29 churches—town, 3; country, 26. Preaching,  
 half time, 11; no pastor, 18. Totals—valuation,  
 \$16,950; members, 2,293. Endeavor societies, 3; Sun-  
 day schools, 27.

### Mount Vernon Conference.

(Reported by Secretary Harrod.)

*Territory*—Comprises Knox, Columbiana, Muskin-  
 gum, Coshocton, and part of Morrow counties, Ohio.  
 Next session, at Mt. Zion, O., August 29, 1899.

*President*, Rev. Enos Peters, Johnstown, O.; *Vice-*  
*President*, Rev. J. M. Carter, New Waterford, O.; *Secre-*  
*tary*, Rev. Mills Harrod, Franklin, O.; *Treasurer*, Rev.  
 J. W. Wright, Willowbrook, O.

### MINISTERS, ADDRESSES, PASTORATES.

Carter, J M, New Waterford, O—Erst Middleton—  
 Highland  
 Cope, Lyeurgus, East Carmel, O—No pastorate  
 Cope, Mrs Lyeurgus, East Carmel, O—No pastorate  
 Cowgill, S G, New Alexandria, O—No pastorate  
 Dunlap, Albert, Columbus, O—Danville  
 Grate, G W, Signal, O—Church Hill  
 Hagans, C M, Mt Sterling, O—Mt Sterling (O Cen)  
 Halterman, C L, Utica, O—Appleton—Fairview—Utica  
 Harris, E M, Ripley, O—No pastorate  
 Harrod, Mills, Franklin, O—Franklin (Miami O)  
 Hill, G C, Centerburg, O—No pastorate  
 Kilpatrick, R L, Perryton, O—East Union  
 Maine, S S, New Brighton, Pa—New Alexandria  
 McKown, S S, Beloit, O—Westville [Dell—Mt Zion  
 Peters, Enos, Johnstown, O—East Rochester—Hazel  
 Peters, F H, Yellow Springs, O—Yellow Sp'gs (Miami O)  
 Smith, H A, Yellow Springs, O—Vienna Crossroads  
 (O Cen). Sugar Creek (Miami O)  
 Weaver, J H, Kensington, O—No pastorate  
 Wright, J W, Willowbrook, O—Cooperdale—Virginia  
 Ordained, 17; licentiates (not indicated), 2.

CHURCH, PASTOR, VALUE, MEMBERS, CLERK. (See p. 100).

*Appleton*—C L Halterman, Utica, O  
 \$1,200. 100—John Benner, Croton, O [Springs, O  
*Centerburg*—N Del McReynolds (Miami O), Yellow  
 \$1,000. 75—W D Willis, Centerburg, O  
*Church Hill*—G W Grate, Signal, O  
 \$3,000. 120—S Stooksberry, Signal, O  
*Cooperdale*—J W Wright, Willowbrook, O  
 \$1,000. 31—Addie Rine, Cooperdale, O  
*Danville*—Albert Dunlap, Columbus, O  
 \$1,000. 63—Miss Lou Tressel, Danville, O  
*East Middleton*—J M Carter, New Waterford, O  
 \$1,000. 75—J F Harrison, Mosk, O  
*East Rochester*—Enos Peters, Johnstown, O  
 \$1,000. 175—W Kelley, Kensington, O  
*East Union*—R L Kilpatrick, Perryton, O  
 \$1,000. 60—Dr Chaney, New Guilford, O  
*Fairview*—C L Halterman, Utica, O  
 \$2,500. 130—J B Oldaker, Utica, O  
*Hazel Dell*—Enos Peters, Johnstown, O  
 \$ 60. 48—Volney Nichols, Newark, O  
*Highland*—J M Carter, New Waterford, O  
 \$1,000. 123—M Johns, Teegarden, O  
*Licking*—No pastor  
 \$ 500. 31—John Hall, Homer, O  
*Mt Pleasant*—Rev Ogg (Conf?), Deavertown, O  
 \$1,000. 13—Mrs Jane Wright, Perryton, O  
*Mt Zion*—Enos Peters, Johnstown, O  
 \$2,000. 100—B F Shafer, Frazeysburg, O  
*NEWARK*—No pastor  
 \$1,200. 9—C Leonard, Newark, O  
*New Alexandria*—S S Maine, New Brighton, Pa  
 \$1,800. 162—D W Crist, Moultrie, O  
*New Bethel*—No pastor  
 \$ 700. 45—Lydia A Taylor, Moxahala, O  
*Roseville*—Rev Ogg (Conf?), Deavertown, O  
 \$ 600. 38—Luther Pace, Rossville, O [O  
*SPARTA*—N Del McReynolds (Miami O), Yellow Springs,  
 \$1,000. 40—J J Manville, Sparta, O  
*SUGAR GROVE*—No pastor  
 \$ 300. 20—A Harrison, Brandon, O  
*Utica*—C L Halterman, Utica, O  
 \$1,200. 80—Orange Dunlap, Utica, O  
*Virginia*—J W Wright, Willowbrook, O  
 \$1,000. 107—A Wright, Willowbrook, O  
*Westville*—S S McKown, Beloit, O  
 \$ 600. 95—Rebecca Randolph, Beloit, O  
 23 churches—town, 8; country, 15. Preaching, half  
 time, 12; once per month, 7; no pastor, 4. Totals—  
 valuation, \$26,200; membership, 1,943. Endeavor so-  
 cieties, 4; Sunday schools, 19.

## Ohio Central Conference.

(Reported by Secretary Watson.)

**Territory**—Comprises Central Ohio, with churches in the following counties: Champaign, Clarke, Clinton, Delaware, Fayette, Franklin, Hardin, Madison, Marion, Morrow, Pickaway, Ross, and Union.

Next session, at Milford Center, Ohio, Aug. 22, 1899.

**President**, Rev. C. A. Williams, Raymonds, Ohio; **Vice-President**, Ell-worth Bidwell, Resaca, Ohio; **Secretary**, John W. Watson, Marengo, Ohio; **Treasurer**, S. L. Loughrey, Marysville, Ohio.

### MINISTERS, ADDRESSES, PASTORATES.

Barfell, Othias, Columbus, O—Nothing reported  
Brown, J M, West Manchester, O—West Manchester (Miami O)  
Bowersmith, Isaac, Westerville, O—Superannuated  
Butler, H E, Peerless, O—Trenton [Liberty  
Caris, S A, Cardington, O—Pompey—Resaca—West  
Chrisman, B H, Centerburg, O—No pastorate  
Clark, William, Ohio—No report  
Clarridge, P, Fivepoints, O—No pastorate reported  
Crowell, N W, 1114 Hunter St, Columbus, O—Columbus  
Cochum, L H, Westerville, O—No pastorate reported  
Duckworth, H J, Mt Sterling, O—Ansonia (N W O).  
Hopewell (Miami O)  
Dyer, O W, Reiley, O—No pastorate reported  
Emmons, C T, Reiley, O—Superannuated  
Griffith, S M, Dublin, O—Dublin  
Hutchinson, S A, Elmwood, O—Superannuated  
King, S K, Columbus, O—Court Bailiff  
Lewis, L E, Richwood, O—No pastorate  
Macomber, Naum, Hyattville, O—Superannuated  
Milholland, S M, Appleton, O—Mill Creek—Watkins  
Parsons, D C, Appleton, O—No pastorate  
Reynolds, J W, Clarksburg, O—Clarksburg [(E Ind)  
Shane, G W, Greenville, O—Coletown—New Liberty  
Shirk, Stephen, Peoria, O—No pastorate  
Webb, Wm, Frazesburg, O—No pastorate  
Williams, C A, Raymonds, O—Glady Creek (Miami O)  
Wilson, N B, Summerford, O—No pastorate  
Ordained, 25; licentiate, 1.

### CHURCH, PASTOR, VALUE, MEMBERS, CLERK. (See p. 140.)

Antioch—W L Lundy (N W O) Williamsport, O  
\$ 700. 83—C M Neff, Mt Sterling, O  
Blues Creek—No pastor  
\$ 300. 35—J Richey, Marysville, O  
Centerville—R H McDaniel (So O), Yellow Springs, O  
\$1,200. 260—Frank Rabb, Lees Creek, O  
Clarksburg—J W Reynolds, Clarksburg, O  
\$ 500. 99—O M Houser, Clarksburg, O  
Columbus—N W Crowell, 1114 Hunter St, Columbus, O  
\$2,500. 167—R W Lumbard, 1184 Hunter St, Colum-  
Dublin—S M Griffith, Dublin, O [bus, O  
\$3,500. 138—Miss Edna Davis, Dublin, O  
Fivepoints—No pastor reported  
\$2,500. 175—J M O'Neal, Fivepoints, O  
Fountain Grove—No pastor  
\$ 900. 40—E W Blaine, Richwood, O  
Grassy Point—R H McDaniel (So O), Yellow Springs, O  
\$ 500. 107—Wm Ervin, Bookwater, O [O  
Milford Center—R H McDaniel (So O), Yellow Springs,  
\$1,000. 190—A Woodworth, Irwin, O  
Mill Creek—S M Milholland, Appleton, O  
\$1,000. 45—D W Boxie, Ostrander, O  
Mt Olive—No pastor reported  
\$ 800. 63—Albert Adams, Plain City, O  
Mt Sterling—C M Hagans (Mt Ver), Mt Sterling, O  
\$5,000. 442—Geo W Tanner, Mt Sterling, O  
Newton—No pastor reported  
\$ 900. 76—Chloe B Dean, Raymonds, O  
Overy Chapel—No pastor reported  
\$1,200. 30—John Smith, Chillicothe, O  
Pleasant Grove—D Lobaugh (N W O), Dupont, O  
\$ 500. 60—G L Thompson, Mt Victory, O  
Pompey—S A Caris, Cardington, O  
\$ 300. 24—Sadie Underhill, Cardington, O  
Rennick Chapel—W L Lundy (N W O), Williamsport, O  
\$ 500. 102—No clerk reported  
Resaca—S A Caris, Cardington, O  
\$2,100. 62—Ellsworth Bidwell, Resaca, O  
South Solon—E C Klink (Miami O), South Solon, O  
\$1,300. 68—H A Rowand, South Solon, O



REV. JOHN A. SOUTHWARD, FIVE POINTS, OHIO.  
Ohio Conference.

Summerford—R H McDaniel (So O), Yellow Springs, O  
\$ 750. 94—Alice C Sprague, Summerford, O  
Trenton—H E Butler, Peerless, O  
\$ 400. 70—R W Fisher, Sunbury, O  
Union (Marion Co)—No pastor  
\$ 700. 10—Alexander Kridler, Larue, O  
Union (Union Co)—No pastor reported  
\$ 800. 106—D D Hamilton, Marysville, O  
Vienna Crossroads—H A Smith (Mt V), Yellow Springs, O  
\$1,100. 127—Mrs Nellie Jones, Vienna Crossroads, O  
Waterloo—No pastor  
\$ 000. 24—Wm Anderson, Panoastburg, O  
Watkins—S M Milholland, Appleton, O  
\$ 800. 54—I Lame, Watkins, O  
West Liberty—S A Caris, Cardington, O  
\$ 200. 20—Leonard Zent, Stantontown, O  
Williamsport—W L Lundy (N W O), Williamsport, O  
\$4,500. 178—J West, Williamsport, O  
Wilson Chapel—No pastor reported  
\$1,200. 104—Mrs Mo-uria Wilson, Orchard, O  
Woodstock—No pastor  
\$ 800. 30—F H Briney, Woodstock, O  
Zion Chapel—No pastor reported  
\$1,000. 63—Anna Haughn, Pleasant Corners, O  
32 churches—town, 11; country, 21. Preaching, full  
time, 2; half time, 9; once per month, 9; no pastor, 12.  
Totals—valuation, \$39,450; membership, 3,086. En-  
deavor societies, 9; Sunday schools, 31.

## Ohio Conference.

(Reported by Secretary Canon.)

**Territory**—Comprises Jackson, Vinton, Pike, and a part of Scioto and Ross counties, O.

Next session, (place not decided), Sept. — 1899.

**President**, James Vitito, Coalton, O.; **Vice-Presi-  
dent**, Finley Chase, Waverly, O.; **Secretary**, Henry  
Canter, Mabee, O.; **Treasurer**, George Chase, Wa-  
verly, O.

### MINISTERS, ADDRESSES, PASTORATES.

Bailes, W F, Limerick, O—No pastorate reported  
Bethel, James, (No postoffice given)—No pastorate  
reported  
Blake, G C, Antons, O—No pastorate reported

Coon, Charles, Monroe, O—No pastorate reported  
 Crayton, T A, Plain City, O—No pastorate reported  
 Cummins, J B, Sedan, O—No pastorate reported  
 Dawson, Wm, Monroe, O—No pastorate reported  
 Dennis, V R, So Bloomingdale, O—No pastorate reported  
 Double, Jacob, Elmgrove, O—No pastorate reported  
 Drake, E A, Chillicothe, O—No pastorate reported  
 Eheheart, J S, Elwood City, Pa—No pastorate reported  
 Evans, F E, Pride, O—No pastorate reported  
 Evans, Thomas, Hamden Junction, O—No pastorate reported  
 Foster, Daniel, Mabeo, O—No pastorate reported  
 Gibson, John, Ray, O—No pastorate reported  
 Herelds, D, Higby, O—No pastorate reported  
 Henghs, S, Oakhill, O—No pastorate reported  
 Holland, Thomas, Sant, O—No pastorate reported  
 Jenkins, Wm, Ray, O—No pastorate reported  
 Johnson, J B, Jackson, O—No pastorate reported  
 Maddox, John, Well-ton, O—No pastorate reported  
 Martin, J, (No postoffice given)—No pastorate reported  
 Moody, James, Elwood City, Pa—No pastorate reported  
 Nelson, N, Given, O—No pastorate reported  
 Rice, T J, Glenroy, O—No pastorate reported  
 Southward, John A, Five Points, O—No pastorate reported  
 Spriggs, J E, Bearlake, Pa—Bearlake—Blue Eye  
 —Harc Creek—Pine Valley (all Erie)  
 Spriggs, Francis, Bearlake, Pa—No pastorate reported  
 Taylor, J B, Given, O—No pastorate reported  
 Timberman, J W, Grape Grove, O—No pastorate reported  
 Vitito, James, Coalton, O—No pastorate reported  
 Webb, J M, Pride, O—No pastorate reported  
 Ordained, 32.

CHURCH, PASTOR, VALUE, MEMBERS, CLERK. (See p.100)

Antioch—No pastor reported  
 \$ 500. 00—W H Jones, Camba, O  
 Antonis—No pastor reported  
 \$ 000. 00—Wm Willson, Antonis, O  
 Chapman—No pastor reported  
 \$ 000. 00—No clerk reported  
 Dennis—No pastor reported  
 \$ 000. 00—D Herelds, Higby, O  
 Dundas—No pastor reported  
 \$ 000. 00—Cyrus Shull, Dundas, O  
 Edwin—No pastor reported  
 \$ 000. 00—George Leavering, Chapman, O  
 Elmgrove—No pastor reported  
 \$ 000. 00—J Double, Elmgrove, O  
 Fairview—No pastor reported  
 \$ 600. 00—Frances Willis, Springer, O  
 Hamilton—No pastor reported  
 \$ 700. 50—H Canter, Mabeo, O  
 Happy Hope—No pastor reported  
 \$ 000. 00—Wm C Hayslett, Wellston, O  
 Hiram—No pastor reported  
 \$ 000. 00—Ebbie Blosser, Plum, O  
 Hopewell—No pastor reported  
 \$ 000. 40—Wm Maddox, Wellston, O  
 Hopewell—No pastor reported  
 \$ 000. 00—Wm Emmons, Coalton, O  
 Jefferson—No pastor reported  
 \$ 000 20—Richard Crabtree, Oakhill, O  
 Lily Chapel—No pastor reported  
 \$ 300. 44—H McDonald Given, O  
 Locust Grove—No pastor reported  
 \$ 000 00—No clerk reported  
 Macedonia—No pastor reported  
 \$ 500. 90—Dollie Carter, Sedan, O  
 Meadow Run—No pastor reported  
 \$ 000. 00—Albert Chase, Waverly, O  
 Monroe—No pastor reported  
 \$ 000. 35—C Coon, Samsonville, O  
 Mt Hernon—No pastor reported  
 \$ 000. 00—Samuel Martin, Jackson, O  
 Oak Grove No 1—No pastor reported  
 \$ 000. 00—No clerk reported  
 Oak Grove No 2—No pastor reported  
 \$ 000. 00—Addison Walter, Gilesperville, O  
 Pigeon Valley—No pastor reported  
 \$ 000. 15—T A Crayton, Springer, O

Pike Run Valley—No pastor reported  
 \$ 000. 00—B F Franzey, Pike Run, O  
 Pleasant Hill—No pastor reported  
 \$ 000. 00—Ebbie Matthews, Pleasant Hill, O  
 Pleasant Valley No 1—No pastor reported  
 \$ 600. 37—Parkis King, Diffin, O  
 Pleasant Valley No 2—No pastor reported  
 \$ 300. 35—D F Crabtree, Crabtree, O  
 Pleasant Valley No 3—No pastor reported  
 \$ 000. 00—J W Kilbreath, Halltown, O  
 Pleasant Valley No 4—No pastor reported  
 \$ 000. 00—No clerk reported  
 Pleasant Valley No 5—No pastor reported  
 \$ 000. 00—Albert F Chase, Waverly, O  
 Rock Hill—No pastor reported  
 \$ 200. 00—R L Oiler, Jackson, O  
 Sedan—No pastor reported  
 \$ 000. 00—Dolly Carter, Sedan, O  
 Shiloh—No pastor reported  
 \$ 000. 00—Clinton Johnson, Hamden Junction, O  
 St Paul—No pastor reported  
 \$ 000. 00—Henry Ackley, Pike Run, O  
 S V Chapel—No pastor reported  
 \$ 000. 00—William Slaughter, Pride, O  
 Triumph—No pastor reported  
 \$ 000. 00—John C Gibson, Roy, O  
 Wellston—No pastor reported  
 \$ 000. 00—No clerk reported  
 Zion—No pastor reported  
 \$ 000. 00—J J Collins, Wellston, O

38 churches—(estimating)—town, 5; country, 33.  
 Preaching, full time, 2; half time, 6; once per  
 month, 20; no pastor, 10. Totals—(estimating)—valua-  
 tion, \$11,400. The secretary reports membership  
 of conference, 983. Estimating—Endeavor societies  
 5; Sunday schools, 20. (What is the matter with  
 this conference? It ought to furnish a better re-  
 port than this.—[EDITOR.]

## Northeastern Ohio Conference.

(Reported by Secretary Shuck )

*Territory*—Comprises Wyandotte, Crawford, Hur-  
 ron, Erie, Hancock, Seneca, Richland, half of Marion,  
 and extreme western part of Morrow counties.

Next session (place and date not given).

*President and Treasurer*, Rev. H. H. Holverstott,  
 Marion, O.; *Vice-President*, Rev. G. W. D. Short,  
 Columbus Grove, O.; *Secretary*, Rev. John L. Shuck,  
 Agosta, O.

MINISTERS, ADDRESSES, PASTORATES.

Cook, John T, Espyville, O—Espyville  
 Dickson, I N, Epyville, O—No pastorate  
 Holverstott, H H, Marion, O—Zion  
 Overlander, Addison, Bucyrus, O—No pastorate  
 Robinson, T J, Crestline, O—No pastorate  
 Short, G W D, Columbus Grove, O—Columbus Grove  
 —Maple Grove  
 Shuck, John L, Agosta, O—Fairfield  
 Stephenson, E N, Yaloe, O—No pastorate  
 Street, John, Marion, O—No pastorate  
 Wade, John, Marion, O—No pastorate

Ordained, 8; licentiates, 2.

CHURCH, PASTOR, VALUE, MEMBERS, CLERK. (See p.100)

*Columbus Grove*—G W D Short, Columbus Grove, O  
 \$3,000, 429—A F McAdams, Columbus Grove, O  
 Espyville—John T Cook, Espyville, O  
 \$ 300 25—Samuel Minard, Espyville, O  
 Fairfield—John L Shuck, Agosta, O  
 \$ 000. 30—Harry Glaiser, Marion, O  
 Maple Grove—G W D Short, Columbus Grove, O  
 \$ 800. 150—Frank Long, Columbus Grove, O  
 Marion—No pastor  
 \$ 000. 40—John L Shuck, Agosta, O  
 Zion—H H Holverstott, Marion, O  
 \$ 700. 16—Phebe Baker, Larue, O

6 churches—town, 2; country, 4. Preaching, full  
 time, 1; half time, 1; once per month, 3; no pastor,  
 1. Totals—valuation, \$4,800; members, 660. En-  
 deavor societies, 2; Sunday schools, 6.

## Kentucky State Conference.

(Reported by Secretary Gee.)

*Territory*—Comprises State of Kentucky.  
Next session, at Rock Springs, October, 1900.  
*President*, Rev. A. P. Hurst, Muses Mills, Ky.;  
*Secretary*, Robert Gee, Grayson, Ky.  
The object of the State conference is to lay the State off in districts. Each district reports to the State conference, and the State conference makes a general report to the quadrennial.

## Kentucky (First) Conference.

(Reported by Secretary Meadows.)

*Territory*—Comprises Northeastern Kentucky, embracing about eight counties.  
Next session, at Bethel, Sept. 14, 1899.  
*President*, Rev. F. M. Logan, Brushart, Ky.; *Vice-President*, Rev. Joseph Jourdan, Vanceburg, Ky.; *Secretary*, Rev. T. H. Meadows, Muses Mills, Ky.; *Treasurer*, George E. James, Muses Mills, Ky.

### MINISTERS, ADDRESSES, PASTORATES.

Burbage, H. C. West Union, O—No pastorate  
Burns, G. W. Brushart, Ky—No pastorate [torate  
Colwell, Samuel, Plummers Landing, Ky—No pas-  
-traige, Henry (Postoffice not given)  
Dunagan, John A. Crum, Ky—No pastorate  
Evans, W. L. Vanceburg, Ky—North Cut [(So O)  
Gray, Marshall, Bradysville, O—Cedar Leaf—Neville  
Hedger, W. W. Plummers Landing, Ky—No pastorate  
Hellerbrand, Daniel, Sandhill, Ky—No pastorate  
Hickerson, John, Wallingford, Ky—No pastorate  
Howe, I. W. S. Muses Mills, Ky—No pastorate [Station  
Hurst, A. P. Muses Mills, Ky—Point Pleasant—Tar  
Jourdan, Jos. Vanceburg, Ky—Beechgrove—Clarks-  
-burg [Elliotts Chapel  
Jourdan, Linza, Vanceburg, Ky—Crooked Creek—  
-Lewis, Robert (Postoffice not given)—[—Zion Hill  
Logan, F. M., Brushart, Ky—Red Brush—Walnut Grove  
Logan, James, Brushart, Ky—No pastorate  
Loper, W. J. V. Quincy, Ky—No pastorate  
McCleave, John, Mouth of Laurel, Ky—No pastorate  
McCleave, A. J. Ryan, Ky—Antioch  
McKown, William, Brushart, Ky—Big White Oak—  
-Little White Oak—Rock Springs  
Meadows, T. H., Muses Mills, Ky—Blankenship—  
-Muses Mills.—St John—Minerva (Conf?)  
Scott, I. S., Olivehill, Ky—No pastorate  
Shoemate, Thomas, Paris, Ky—No pastorate  
Staggs, G. W., Smith Creek, Ky—Bethel—Boon Turnas  
-Raymie Chapel—Stafford Hill—St Paul  
Sullivan, John, Carter City, Ky—No pastorate  
Tackett, Sherwood, Olive Hill, Ky—No pastorate  
Tumlen, James, Ellsberry, O—Enon—Oak Grove—  
-Upton, G. N., Crum, Ky—Kansas [Tennike (So O)  
Wiggins, J. R., Muses Mills, Ky—Clearfork  
Ordnained, 24; licentiates, 6. Died since last re-  
-port, D. C. Yazel, J. P. Selsor, Wm Riley

CHURCH, PASTOR, VALUE, MEMBERS, CLERK. (See p. 100)

ALCORN—No pastor  
\$ 000. 10—W. J. V. Loper, Quincy, Ky  
ANTIOCH—A. J. McCleave, Ryan, Ky  
\$ 000. 40—Linza Jourdan, Wesleyville, Ky  
Beechgrove—Joseph Jourdan, Vanceburg, Ky  
\$ 100. 41—Emma Richardson, Vanceburg, Ky  
BEECHWOOD—No pastor  
\$ 1,000. 5—Henry Arual, Mt Carmel, Ky  
Bethel—G. W. Staggs, Smith Creek, Ky  
\$ 400. 125—G. W. Jourdan, Wesleyville, Ky  
Big White Oak—William McKown, Brushart, Ky  
\$ 000. 41—Della Reeder, York, Ky  
Black Jack—No pastor  
\$ 200. 32—Wm Falkner, Valley, Ky  
BLANKENSHIP—T. H. Meadows, Muses Mills, Ky  
\$ 300. 71—Sophia E. Stone, Rugels, Ky  
BOON TURNAS—G. W. Staggs, Smith Creek, Ky  
\$ 000. 30—Robert Lower, South Mills, Ky  
Carter—R. B. Conley (Ky 2), Olivehill, Ky  
\$ 000. 14—Hiram Davis, Carter City, Ky  
Cedar Leaf—Marshall Gray, Bradysville, O  
\$ 000. 41—Carl Hilterbean, Manchester, O  
Clarksburg—Joseph Jourdan, Vanceburg, Ky  
\$ 000. 40—Ameil Carrington, Vanceburg, Ky  
Clearfork—J. R. Wiggins, Muses Mills, Ky  
\$ 600. 49—Albert Littleton, Munson, Ky  
Crain Creek—No pastor  
\$ 200. 42—J. S. Plummer, Plummers Landing, Ky

Crooked Creek—Linza Jourdan, Vanceburg, Ky  
\$ 000. 10—J. W. Walker, Covedale, Ky  
Dry Branch—No pastor  
\$ 000. 31—A. L. Buckner, Olivehill, Ky  
Ethelbel—T. J. Bowman (So O), Ripley, O  
\$ 700. 72—W. H. W. Outten, Plumville, Ky  
Elliotts Chapel—Linza Jourdan, Vanceburg, Ky  
\$ 000. 37—Nora E. Elliott, Valley, Ky  
Fartolk—No pastor  
\$ 000. 10—Lebird Stratton, Mouth of Laurel, Ky  
Hazel Branch—No pastor  
\$ 000. 10—Ephraim Bond, Enterprise, Ky  
Kansas—G. N. Upton, Crum, Ky  
\$ 500. 54—A. V. Clark, Crum, Ky  
LITTLE WHITE OAK—Wm McKown, Brushart, Ky  
\$ 000. 12—John Higgins, Warwick, Ky  
LONG BRANCH—No pastor  
\$ 000. 17—Leondas Hyme, Crum, Ky  
Muses Mills—T. H. Meadows, Muses Mills, Ky  
\$ 500. 112—J. R. Brammes, Muses Mills, Ky  
NORTH CUT—W. L. Evans, Vanceburg, Ky  
\$ 000. 15—Harry E. Seaton, Triplett, Ky  
OAKLAN—No pastor  
\$ 150. 25—John Burten, Wesleyville, Ky  
PINE VALLEY—No pastor  
\$ 000. 33—Sarah Evans, Vanceburg, Ky  
Point Pleasant—A. P. Hurst, Muses Mills, Ky  
\$ 200. 82—W. W. Hedgus, Muses Mills, Ky  
RAYMIE CHAPEL—G. W. Staggs, Smith Creek, Ky  
\$ 100. 15—Janet Zorns, Goble, Ky  
Red Brush—F. M. Logan, Brushart, Ky  
\$ 500. 90—Mary B. Logue, Carter, Ky  
Rock Springs—William McKown, Brushart, Ky  
\$ 000. 24—Mary F. Jones, Carter City, Ky  
Siloam—No pastor  
\$ 000. 25—Jas. W. McCleave, Wesleyville, Ky  
STAFFORD HILL—G. W. Staggs, Smith Creek, Ky  
\$ 200. 65—Eliza I. Cooper, Stone City, Ky  
St Paul—G. W. Staggs, Smith Creek, Ky  
\$ 200. 67—James E. Smith, Valley, Ky  
TARFORK—B. F. Boling (Ky 2), Mt Savage, Ky  
\$ 000. 74—Ella Mark, Mouth of Laurel, Ky  
Tar Station—A. P. Hurst, Muses Mills, Ky  
\$ 000. 40—Maymie McGee, Millersburg, Ky  
TRACE—J. H. Johnson (Conf?), Rugels, Ky  
\$ 100. 36—Anna Cooper, Rugels, Ky  
Walnut Grove—F. M. Logan, Brushart, Ky  
\$ 500. 91—W. F. Green, Brashear, Ky  
Walnut Hill—B. F. Boling (Ky 2), Mt Savage, Ky  
\$ 000. 91—A. J. Pitts, Trotter, Ky  
Zion Hill—F. M. Logan, Brushart, Ky  
\$ 300. 85—C. B. Evans, Quincy, Ky

40 churches—town, 5; country, 35. Preaching, once  
-per month, 29; no pastor, 11. Totals—valuation,  
\$6,950; membership, 1,808. Endeavor societies, 1; Sun-  
-day schools, 27.

## Kentucky (Second) Conference.

(Reported by Secretary Forrest.)

*Territory*—Line between No. 1 and No. 2 is Tigers  
-back to Olivehill, and thence with the E. L. B. S. R.  
-R. to Licking River; up the river so as to include  
-the northeastern part of the State.

Next session, at Little Sandy, September 28, 1899.  
*President*, Rev. W. L. Maddix, Salsberry, Ky.;  
*Vice-President*, Rev. James Everman, Laurel Box,  
Ky.; *Secretary*, Rev. L. H. Forrest, Sandyhook, Ky.

### MINISTERS, ADDRESSES, PASTORATES.

Bulard, Clinton, Denton, Ky—No pastorate  
Boling, B. F., Mt Savage, Ky—Tarfork—Walnut Hill  
Boling, Wm, Ratcliff, Ky—No pastorate [(Ky 1)  
Conley, R. B., Olivehill, Ky—Little Sandy, Carter (Ky 1)  
Cornutte, Wm, Denton, Ky—No pastorate  
Ellis, John A., Jacobs, Ky—No pastorate  
Everman, James, Charlotte, Ky—Barretts Creek  
Forrest, L. H., Sandyhook, Ky—Pine Grove—Pleasant  
Frale, D. A., Isomville, Ky—Davy Run [View  
Gee, Robert, Grayson, Ky—King Chapel  
Maddix, John, Leon, Ky—Alcorn—Ross Chapel  
Maddix, W. L., Salsberry, Ky—Alvany  
Meddows, E., Newfoundland, Ky—No pastorate  
Rice, Charles, Denton, Ky—Rice Chapel—Spicewood  
Sanders, Harvey, Salsberry, Ky—No pastorate  
Secton, W. R., Denton, Ky—No pastorate  
Hilburn, Milton, Salsberry, Ky—No pastorate  
Whitlock, W. A., Denton, Ky—No pastorate  
Ordnained, 16; licentiates, 2.

CHURCH, PASTOR, VALUE, MEMBERS, CLERK. (See p.100)

Allcorn—John Maddix, Leon, Ky  
 \$ 000. 62—H H Wampler, Greenup, Ky  
 Alveny—W L Maddix, Saulsberry, Ky  
 \$ 000. 73—Gideon Forrest, Leon, Ky  
 Barretts Creek—James Everman, Charlotte, Ky  
 \$ 000. 28—Frank Everman, Fontana, Ky  
 Davy Run—D A Fraley, Isonville, Ky  
 \$ 000. 37—J W Gallihug, Denton, Ky  
 GLANCY FORK—No pastor  
 \$ 000. 17—J P Ballard, Denton, Ky  
 King Chapel—Robert Gee, Grayson, Ky  
 \$ 500. 115—H F Fisher, Saulsberry, Ky  
 LEATHERWOOD—No pastor  
 \$ 000. 50—Thos Chmes, Lawton, Ky  
 Little Sandy—R B Conley, Olivehill, Ky  
 \$ 000. 12—J B Craig, Aden, Ky  
 Pine Grove—L H Forrest, Sandyhook, Ky  
 \$ 100. 31—Milsy Barber, Ridge, Ky  
 PLEASANT HILL—No pastor  
 \$ 100. 18—Mary Johnson, Limestone, Ky  
 Pleasant View—L H Forrest, Sandyhook, Ky  
 \$ 100. 98—Harry Trent, Elliottville, Ky  
 RACoon—No pastor  
 \$ 000. 18—No clerk reported  
 Rice Chapel—Charles Rice, Denton, Ky  
 \$ 500. 85—No clerk reported  
 Ross Chapel—John Maddix, Leon, Ky  
 \$ 000. 36—Tinsley Taber, Olivehill, Ky  
 Spicewood—Charles Rice, Denton, Ky  
 \$ 000. 68—Wm Brison, Charlotte, Ky  
 15 churches (all country). Preaching, half time, 5;  
 once per month, 6; no pastor, 4. Totals—valuation,  
 \$1,300; membership, 748. Endeavor societies, none;  
 Sunday schools, 11.

**Recapitulation—Ohio, with Kentucky.**

(Last Year)

Totals—Ministers, 259; ordained, 216; licentiates, 43. 274 churches—town, 86; country, 188. Preaching, full time, 16; half time, 87; once per month, 96; no pastor, 75. Valuation, \$344,175; average valuation, \$1,256. Membership, 24,919; average membership, 91. Endeavor societies, 86; no Endeavor, 188. Sunday schools, 251; no Sunday schools, 23.

**Recapitulation—Ohio, with Kentucky.**

(This Year)

Totals—Ministers, 305; ordained, 255; licentiates, 50. 321 churches—town, 93; country, 228. Preaching, full time, 16; half time, 96; once per month, 129; no pastor, 80. Valuation, \$381,850; average valuation, \$1,189. Membership, 27,259; average membership, 85. Endeavor societies, 76; no Endeavor, 245. Sunday schools, 273; no Sunday schools, 48.

**Statistics of Denominations.****MINISTERS, CHURCHES, AND COMMUNICANTS FOR 1897 IN THE UNITED STATES.**

The figures are for the United States only, and are from 1897 reports as far as they could be secured.

A number of denominations publish no statistics. For some of them careful estimates, made by the most competent persons, are given. In other cases, where there is no reason to believe there has been any change since 1890, the figures of the census are carried over into the columns for 1897.

<i>Denominations.</i>	<i>Min.</i>	<i>Chs.</i>	<i>Com.</i>
Adventists, 6 bodies.....	1,401	2,140	81,945
Baptists, 13 bodies.....	32,112	47,602	4,157,300
Brethren (River), 3 bodies..	179	111	4,739
Breth'n (Plym'th), 4 bodies..	....	314	6,661
Catholics, 7 bodies.....	11,109	14,917	8,317,218
Catholic Apostolic.....	95	10	1,491
Chinese Temples.....	....	47	....
Christadelphians.....	....	63	1,277
Christians.....	1,500	1,495	121,500
Christian Catholics, Dowle..	7	13	5,000
Christian Miss'nary Ass'n..	10	13	754
Christian Scientists.....	3,500	343	40,000
Christian Union.....	183	294	18,214
Church of God.....	460	580	38,000
Church Triumphant.....	....	12	384
Church of the N. Jerusalem	139	150	7,674
Communistic Soc's, 6 bodies	....	30	3,920
Congregationalists.....	5,465	5,625	630,000

<i>Denominations.</i>	<i>Min.</i>	<i>Chs.</i>	<i>Com.</i>
Disciples of Christ.....	5,780	10,029	1,051,079
Dunkards, 4 bodies.....	2,720	1,026	101,194
Evangelical, 2 bodies.....	1,421	2,219	151,770
Friends, 4 bodies.....	1,462	1,093	117,474
Friends of the Temple.....	4	4	340
German Evangelical Prot..	45	55	36,500
German Evangelical Synod..	878	1,130	194,618
Jews, 2 bodies.....	301	570	143,000
Latter-Day Saints, 2 bodies	2,660	1,200	297,370
Lutherans, 21 bodies.....	6,625	10,738	1,507,466
Waldenströmians.....	140	150	20,000
Mennonites, 12 bodies.....	1,021	631	54,544
Methodists, 17 bodies.....	35,232	50,948	5,735,598
Moravians.....	120	112	14,220
Presbyterians, 12 bodies....	11,324	14,701	1,490,162
Protes't Episcopal, 2 bodies	4,745	6,186	667,503
Reformed, 3 bodies.....	1,754	2,386	357,221
Salvationists, 2 bodies.....	3,094	916	47,000
Schwenkfeldians.....	3	4	306
Social Brethren.....	17	20	913
Society for Ethical Culture.	....	4	1,064
Spiritualists.....	....	334	45,030
Theosophical Society.....	....	122	3,000
United Brethren in Christ..	2,328	3,159	246,487
Unitarians.....	535	455	70,000
Universalists.....	773	849	51,025
Independent congregations.	54	156	14,126
Total in the U. S.....	139,136	182,956	25,885,397

The above tabulated statement, with exception of a few changes, is taken from *The Independent*.

## Indiana State Conference.

(Reported by Secretary Atkinson.)

*Territory*—The Indiana State Conference is composed of the following local conferences: Eel River, Northwestern, Western, Southern Indiana and Illinois, Bible Union, Central, Eastern, and Miami Reserve.

Next session, at Huntington, Ind., Oct. 23, 1899.

*President*, Rev. D. Powell, Wingate, Ind.; *Vice-President*, Prof. A. M. Ward, Merom, Ind.; *Secretary*, Rev. Daniel B. Atkinson, Merom, Ind.; *Treasurer*, W. W. Sutton, Huntington, Ind.; *Department Secretaries*—Education, Rev. L. J. Aldrich, Merom, Ind.; Missions, Rev. Will J. Young, Huntington, Ind.; Sunday schools, Rev. A. L. West, Darlington, Ind.; Christian Endeavor, Rev. C. A. Brown, Lebanon, Ind.; Publications, Rev. H. B. Bosworth, Portland, Ind.; Finance, Rev. C. V. Strickland, Huntington, Ind.

## Eel River Conference.

(Reported by Secretary Barnes.)

*Territory*—Comprises Adams, Allen, Blackford, DeKalb, Elkhart, Kosciusko, Huntington, Lagrange, Noble, Steuben, Wells, Wabash, and Whitely counties, Ind.

Next session, at Sparta, Aug. 16, 1899.

*President*, Judge O. W. Whitelock, Huntington, Ind.; *Vice-President*, Rev. David Hidy, No. Manchester, Ind.; *Secretary*, J. F. Barnes, Huntington, Ind.; *Treasurer*, T. J. John, No. Manchester, Ind.

### MINISTERS, ADDRESSES, PASTORATES.

Abbott, N H, Mt Etna, Ind—No pastorate  
Atkinson, D B, Merom, Ind (Prof U C C)  
Bolton, J W, 411 W 7th St, Erie, Pa—Erie (Erie)  
Fannin, Jesse, North Manchester, Ind—Superannuated [Plum Tree  
*Frantz*, Samuel, No Manchester, Ind—No Union—  
Freeman, Riley, Urbana, Ind—No pastorate  
*Gloyd*, George W, Kimmell, Ind—No pastorate  
Hammond, G R, Bluffton, Ind—Bluffton  
Hidy, David, North Manchester, Ind—Collamer—  
New Madison—Sparta  
Jones, D W, Ft Wayne, Ind—Superannuated  
*Kemp*, Alphonso E, No Manchester, Ind—Millwood  
Manville, W S, Valparaiso, Ind—Superannuated  
Markley, J J, Murray, Ind—Murray  
Marks, Levi, North Webster, Ind—Superannuated  
McGinnis, D A, Monument City, Ind—Superannuated  
Miller, J W, Sidney, Ind—No pastorate [Wakarusa  
Miller, V R, Goshen, Ind—Antioch—Thorn Creek—  
Page, R W, Merriam, Ind—Kelso—Merriam—Paw  
Paw [ford, Tiosa (N W I)  
Parker, W G, Goshen, Ind—Sidney—Union—Water-  
Purdue, Wm, Warren, Ind—No pastorate  
*Rheubottom*, M G, Wakarusa, Ind—Bellville—Mil-  
lerson—No pastor  
Rittenhouse, Jacob, Wawaka, Ind—Pleasant Hill  
Ritters, J M, Huntington, Ind—No pastorate  
Robinson, Eliza, Ft Wayne, Ind—No pastorate  
Samuel, W D, Covington, O—Covington (Mi mi O)  
Stuart, W W, Goshen, Ind—Eel River—Goshen—  
Spring Hill [ster  
Tarr, C C, Millersburg, Ind—Broadway—North Web-  
Tompkins, Mrs M A, Elkhart, Ind—No pastorate  
Whitman, Thomas, So Whitley, Ind—Eel River (N  
W I)  
Winebrenner, Peter, Merriam, Ind—No pastorate  
Wood, J A, Huntington, Ind—Dunfee—Pleasant  
Grove [ington  
Young, W J, Huntington, Ind—Clear Creek—Hunt-  
Ordnained, 28; licentiate, 4. Died since last por-  
t, Mattie Vandever, Uzal Kimball

CHURCH, PASTOR, VALUE, MEMBERS, CLERK. (Seep. 100)

*Antioch*—V R Miller, Goshen, Ind [Ind  
\$1,600. 123—Levi Burnsworth, North Manchester,  
Bellville—M G Rheubottom, Wakarusa, Ind  
\$ 800. 30—Eli Keller, Warren, Ind  
Bluffton—G R Hammond, Bluffton, Ind  
\$3,000. 169—S E Whitman, Bluffton, Ind



REV. C. C. TARR, MILLERSBURG, IND.  
Eel River Conference.

Broadway—C C Tarr, Millersburg, Ind  
\$2,000. 66—Samuel Ohlwine, Cromwell, Ind  
Buenavista—No pastor  
\$ 800. 74—Ella Hall, Linn Grove, Ind  
Clear Creek—W J Young, Huntington, Ind  
\$ 700. 61—Samuel Beck, Huntington, Ind  
*Collamer*—David Hidy, North Manchester, Ind  
\$1,000. 134—Nettie Goff, Collamer, Ind  
Dunfee—J A Wood, Huntington, Ind  
\$1,000. 60—F W Clark, Coesse, Ind  
Eel River—W W Stuart, Goshen, Ind  
\$1,000. 109—Mrs Irene Brubaker, South Whitley, Ind  
*Goshen*—W W Stuart, Goshen, Ind  
\$2,000. 108—J W Kronk, Goshen, Ind  
*Huntington*—W J Young, Huntington, Ind  
\$1,500. 196—Clara Taylor, Huntington, Ind  
*Kelso*—R W Page, Merriam, Ind  
\$1,000. 152—George W Gill, Majenica, Ind  
*Leesburg*—B F Kemp (Conf?), Union City, Ind  
\$2,000. 83—Mrs Rose Becknel, Leesburg, Ind  
Liberty Union—No pastor  
\$ 800. 51—J T Mossburg, Bly, Ind  
*Marion*—S S Newhouse (Miami O), Marion, Ind  
35,000. 225—John W Miles, Marion, Ind  
*Merriam*—R W Page, Merriam, Ind  
\$3,000. 20—Mrs Mina Young, Merriam, Ind  
*Millersburg*—M G Rheubottom, Wakarusa, Ind  
\$2,400. 84—A J Mays, Millersburg, Ind [Ind  
*Millwood*—Alphonso E Kemp, North Manchester,  
\$1,000. 89—J Whiteleather, Millwood, Ind  
*Murray*—J J Markley, Murray, Ind  
\$ 800. 109—B F Nash, Murray, Ind  
New Madison—David Hidy, North Manchester, Ind  
\$1,400. 141—J M Foust, Servia, Ind [Ind  
*North Manchester*—B F Kemp (Conf?), Union City,  
\$3,500. 155—M Kannard, North Manchester, Ind  
North Union—Samuel Frantz, N Manchester, Ind  
\$ 500. 33—Dora Frame, Ft. Wayne, Ind  
North Webster—C C Tarr, Millersburg, Ind  
\$1,200. 97—Mrs Silas Huber, North Webster, Ind  
*Olivet*—Riley F Mallott (E Ind), Anderson, Ind  
\$1,000. 56—Orestes Cripe, Alexandria, Ind  
*Paw Paw*—R W Page, Merriam, Ind  
\$1,000. 170—Samuel Amber, Urbana, Ind  
Pleasant Grove—J A Wood, Huntington, Ind  
\$2,000. 90—Frank Bowen, North Manchester, Ind

Pleasant Hill (Noble Co)—J N Rittenhouse, Wawaka, Ind

\$ 800. 21—Emma Jarrett, Wawaka, Ind

PLEASANT HILL (Wells Co)—No pastor

\$ 000. 25—J W Beck, Warren, Ind

Plumtree—Samuel Frantz, North Manchester, Ind

\$1,500. 95—W P Hubbard, Plumtree, Ind

Salamina—No pastor

\$ 600. 28—Rhoda Keith, Banquo, Ind

Sidney—W G Parker, Goshen, Ind

\$ 800. 81—W Messimore, Sidney, Ind

Six Mile—C V Strickland (N W I), Huntington, Ind

\$1,500. 123—Gertrude Bickel, Bluffton, Ind

Sparta—David Hidy, North Manchester, Ind

\$2,500. 139—Mrs John Crothers, Ligonier, Ind

Spring Hill—W W Stuart, Goshen, Ind

\$ 800. 61—J Growcock, Ligonier, Ind

Swayzee—C F Byrket (E Ind), Muncie, Ind

\$ 800. 81—B F Thomson, Swayzee, Ind

Thorn Creek—V R Miller, Goshen, Ind

\$ 700. 31—Wm F Chapman, Columbia City, Ind

Union—W G Parker, Goshen, Ind

\$ 700. 107—C L Cone, Larwill, Ind

Wakarusa—V R Miller, Goshen, Ind

\$1,200. 151—Willis O Varrian, Wakarusa, Ind

Warren—J E Eter (Miami O), Warren, Ind

\$3,000. 256—J H Thompson, Warren, Ind

Waterford—W G Parker, Goshen, Ind

\$ 700. 40—Lydia Richards, Waterford Mills, Ind

40 churches—town, 20; country, 20. Preaching, full

time, 5; half time, 6; once per month, 25; no pastor,

4. Totals—valuation, \$87,600; membership,

4,107. Endeavor societies, 14; Sunday schools, 39.

## Northwestern Indiana Conference.

(Reported by Secretary West.)

*Territory*—Comprises Miami, Cass, Fulton, Marshall, St. Joseph, Laporte, Stark, Pulaski, White, Carroll, Tippecanoe, Benton, Jasper, Lake, Porter, and Newton counties.

Next session, at Pipe Creek, August 9, 1899.

*President*, Rev. S. McNeely, Tiosa, Ind.; *Vice-*

*President*, B. B. Lesh, Burrows, Ind.; *Secretary*,

Rev. A. L. West, Darlington, Ind.; *Treasurer*, S. J.

Beck, Young America, Ind.

### MINISTERS, ADDRESSES, PASTORATES.

Brown, Sarah A, Elwood, Ind.—No pastorate

Calvin, S O, Kokomo, Ind.—No pastorate

Capron, Rev. Pulaski, Ind.—No pastorate

Coplen, E. Rochester, Ind.—No pastorate

Dunfee, Jos, Tyner, Ind.—No pastorate

Feece, Wm, Monterey, Ind.—No pastorate

Ford, Samuel, Pulaski, Ind.—No pastorate

Gates, L, Laporte City, Ia.—No pastorate

Heflin, Wm, Michigantown, Ind.—Keeps Creek—Tip-

pecanoe. Friendship (W I)

Hicks, Geo E, Macy, Ind.—Twelvemile, Center (I M R),

Osborn Prairie (W I)

Jaekman, Taylor, Kokomo, Ind.—No pastorate

Kob, J R, Center, Ind.—Rock Creek Valley

McNeely, S. Tiosa, Ind.—Crooked Creek—Deer Creek

—Pipe Creek

Melson, B A, Sheridan, Ind.—No pastorate

Miller, A, Curveton, Ind.—No pastorate

Platt, A L, Argos, Ind.—Argos

Reed, Wm R, Argos, Ind.—No pastorate

Rhinehart, Wm J, Pulaski, Ind.—No pastorate

Rupe, J C, Argos, Ind.—Bloomingburg—Buffalo

—Shiloh [Six Mile (Eel R)]

Strickland, C V, Huntington, Ind.—New Waverly,

Strickland, Mrs M A, Huntington, Ind.—(Same as C

Vance, J W, Twelve Mile, Ind.—No pastorate [V]

Yaness, F, Tipton, Ind.—No pastorate [(W I)]

West, A L, Darlington, Ind.—Burrows. Darlington

Wiley, Geo W, Logansport, Ind.—No pastorate [Ora

Winegardner, W Y, Logansport, Ind.—Indian Creek—

Ordained, 21; licentiates, 2.

CHURCH, PASTOR, VALUE, MEMBERS, CLERK. (See p. 100)

Argos—A L Platt, Argos, Ind

\$10,000. 256—E W Hess, Argos, Ind

Bloomingburg—J C Rupe, Argos, Ind

\$1,200. 250—Martin Hodge, Talma, Ind

Buffalo—J C Rupe, Argos, Ind

\$1,000. 84—A G Coonrod, Buffalo, Ind

Burrows—A L West, Darlington, Ind

\$3,000. 150—Mrs Mary Souder, Burrows, Ind

CEDAR LAKE—No pastor

\$ 500. 50—Nelson Conner, Winona, Ind

Crooked Creek—S McNeely, Tiosa, Ind

\$1,500. 75—James Gray, Royal Center, Ind

Deer Creek—S McNeely, Tiosa, Ind

\$2,000. 19—L F Murphy, Galveston, Ind [(Ind

Eel River)—Thomas Whitman, Eel R] South Whitley,

\$2,000. 35—E G Gallahan, Peru, Ind

Greentown—John T Phillips (W I), Frankfort, Ind

\$5,000. 148—David Jones, Greentown, Ind

Hickory Grove—R H Gott (W I), Mellott, Ind

\$1,200. 145—Miss Eva Galloway, Idaville, Ind

Indian Creek—W V Winegardner, Logansport, Ind

\$ 500. 28—Samuel Koehl, Star City, Ind

KEEPS CREEK—Wm Heflin, Michigantown, Ind

\$2,000. 30—John Hines, Logansport, Ind

Kokomo—F D Hobson (I M R), Kokomo, Ind

\$3,500. 116—A L Vickery, Kokomo, Ind

Mt Zion—No pastor

\$ 400. 60—Mattie Taylor, Walton, Ind

NEW WAVERLY—C V Strickland, Huntington, Ind

\$2,000. 50—Arrie Ferguson, New Waverly, Ind

Oakland—M M Wiles (I M R), Terhune, Ind

\$1,200. 120—S Beiler, Burlington, Ind

Ora—W V Winegardner, Logansport, Ind

\$ 500. 90—Martha A Parker, Ora, Ind

Pipe Creek—S McNeely, Tiosa, Ind

\$3,000. 59—Amos Helvie, Anoka, Ind

Rock Creek Valley—J R Kob, Center, Ind

\$1,000. 60—W L Small, Logansport, Ind

Shiloh—J C Rupe, Argos, Ind

\$1,000. 74—Etta Bussard, Logansport, Ind

Summit View—No pastor

\$ 000. 50—C M Bennett, Argos, Ind

Thomas Chapel—R H Gott (W I), Mellott, Ind

\$1,500. 50—W H Haslett, Oakley, Ind

Tiosa—W G Parker (Eel R), Goshen, Ind

\$1,200. 104—Ella Jameson, Tiosa, Ind

Tippecanoe—Wm Heflin, Michigantown, Ind

\$ 700. 62—S B Ford, Pulaski, Ind

Twelvemile—Geo E Hicks, Macy, Ind

\$ 800. 50—Abe Moss, Twelvemile, Ind

West Sonora—F M Patrick (Conf?), Deercreek, Ind

\$2,000. 79—Wm J Brown, Deercreek, Ind

WEST UNION—No pastor

\$ 200. 35—M M Heiland, Winamac, Ind

Young America—M M Wiles (I M R), Terhune, Ind

\$2,000. 134—S J Beck, Young America, Ind

28 churches—town, 11; country, 17. Preaching,

full time, 1; half time, 6; once per month, 17; no

pastor, 4. Totals—valuation, \$50,000; membership,

2,650. Endeavor societies, 5; Sunday schools, 28.

## Western Indiana Conference.

(Reported by Secretary Brown.)

*Territory*—Comprises counties of Sullivan, Green, Owen, Clay, Vigo, Putnam, Parke, Hendricks, Boone, Montgomery, Benton, Tippecanoe, Fountain, Vermillion, Warren, Clinton.

Next session, at Mellott Church, August 22, 1899.

*President*, J. S. Henry, Wingate, Ind.; *Vice-Presi-*

*dent*, Prof. John A. Finley, Brazil, Ind.; *Secretary*,

Rev. C. A. Brown, Lebanon, Ind.; *Treasurer*, B. F.

Craue, Rob Roy, Ind.

### MINISTERS, ADDRESSES, PASTORATES.

Akers, A J, Farmersburg, Ind.—Mt Olive—Otter Creek

Union

Aldrich, L J, Merom, Ind.—Big Springs—Merom

Bannon, L W, Waynetown, Ind.—Superannuated

Boord, J S, Veedersburg, Ind.—No pastorate

Brown, C A, Lebanon, Ind.—Antioch—Liberty—New

Salem

Carney, A L, Sylvania, Ind.—Bee Ridge—Croys Creek

Mill Creek

Click, F M, Lebanon, Ind.—Mt Pleasant

Cook, D A, Cyclone, Ind.—Christian Liberty

Dooley, Mary, Watska, Ill.—No pastorate

Dudley, J W, Linden, Ind.—Sterling

Earl, I H, Wingate, Ind.—No pastorate

Francis, J C, Merom, Ind.—Mace

Fry, Susan V, Tokio, Japan—Foreign Missionary

Gillaspie, T C, Staunton, Ind.—No pastorate

Gott, R H, Mellott, Ind—Shiloh—Zion. Hickory Grove—Thomas Chapel (N W I)  
*Hays*, Mrs B O, Marion, Ind—No pastorate  
*Heath*, A R, Covington, Ind—Superannuated  
*Johnson*, R M, Harmony, Ind—No pastorate  
*Maxwell*, J S, Crawfordsville, Ind—Superannuated  
*Mosteller*, Silas, Lebanon, Ind—Browns Wonder—Center Grove—Fairview—Pleasant View  
*Nickell*, J S, Wallace, Ind—No pastorate  
*Oliver*, J W, Odell, Ind—No pastorate  
*Page*, Miss J C, Merom, Ind—No pastorate  
*Parr*, J A, Middletown, Ind—Freedom  
*Penrod*, C Tena, Tokio, Japan—Foreign Miss  
*Phillips*, J T, Frankfort, Ind—Mellott. Greentown (N W I). Union (So I and III)  
*Powell*, D, Wingate, Ind—Elm Grove—Pleasant Hill  
*Quillen*, Thos, Crawfordsville, Ind—Superannuated  
*Simmons*, E D, New London, Ind—Evangelist  
*Stackhouse*, S, Westfield, Ind—Superannuated  
*Trotter*, F P, Lebanon, Ind—Lebanon [sion  
*Vinson*, Mrs M J, Veedersburg, Ind—Portland Mis-  
*Woodworth*, A D, Tokio, Japan—Foreign Miss  
*Woody*, G, Darlington, Ind—Christian Chapel—Garfield—Scotland

Ordained, 29; licentiate, 5.

CHURCH, PASTOR, VALUE, MEMBERS, CLERK. (See p.100)

*Antioch*—C A Brown, Lebanon, Ind \$3,000. 206—Bert Kern, Frankfort, Ind  
*Bee Ridge*—A L Carney, Sylvania, Ind \$ 500. 76—L F Downing, Brazil, Ind  
*Big Spring*—L J Aldrich, Merom, Ind \$ 800. 120—Ella Eno, Graysville, Ind  
*Browns Wonder*—Silas Mosteller, Lebanon, Ind \$1,000. 133—E M Henderson, Lebanon, Ind  
*Center*—No pastor \$ 800. 120—A W Dazey, Wingate, Ind  
*Center Grove*—Silas Mosteller, Lebanon, Ind \$1,300. 117—Catherine Young, Thorntown, Ind  
*Christian Chapel*—G Woody, Darlington, Ind \$ 800. 91—John M Allen, Kirklín, Ind  
*Christian Liberty*—D A Cook, Cyclone, Ind \$1,000. 85—Arthur Cash, Dot, Ind  
*Croys Creek*—A L Carney, Sylvania, Ind \$ 800. 108—R R Finley, Harmony, Ind  
*Darlington*—A L West (N W I), Darlington, Ind \$2,000. 183—Ina Bowers, Darlington, Ind  
*Elm Grove*—D Powell, Wingate, Ind \$1,000. 135—Jennette Anderson, Manson, Ind  
*Fairview*—Silas Mosteller, Lebanon, Ind \$ 800. 78—Minnie Beeman, Gadsden, Ind  
*Freedom*—J A Parr, Middletown, Ind \$1,400. 103—J T Carter, Yeddo, Ind  
*Friendship*—Wm Heflin (N W I), Michigantown, Ind \$ 800. 64—Amanda Storms, Michigantown, Ind  
*Garfield*—G Woody, Thorntown, Ind \$ 800. 58—Miss Mary Binford, Garfield, Ind  
*Lebanon*—F P Trotter, Lebanon, Ind \$4,000. 103—Magie Stearns, Lebanon, Ind  
*Liberty*—C A Brown, Lebanon, Ind \$1,000. 155—Wm Utterback, Elmdale, Ind  
*Linden*—Robert Harris (C III), Danville, Ill \$2,300. 173—Lavinia Morford, Linden, Ind  
*Mace*—J C Francis, Merom, Ind \$ 300. 87—C E Crain, Linsburg, Ind  
*Mellott*—J T Phillips, Frankfort, Ind \$1,200. 150—Alice Reister, Mellott, Ind  
*Merom*—L J Aldrich, Merom, Ind \$ 000. 146—Miss S E Hutton, Merom, Ind  
*Mill Creek*—A L Carney, Sylvania, Ind \$ 500. 40—R G Evans, Poland, Ind  
*Mt Olive*—A J Akers, Farmersburg, Ind \$ 600. 90—George W Van Cleave, Farmersburg, Ind



JOSEPH S. HENRY, WINGATE, INDIANA.  
 President Western Ind. Conference.

*Mt Pleasant*—F M Click, Lebanon, Ind \$ 600. 46—Anna Nicholson, Crawfordsville, Ind  
*Mt Zion*—No pastor \$ 600. 54—R H Finn, Lebanon, Ind  
*New Salem*—C A Brown, Lebanon, Ind \$2,500. 178—L P Campbell, Thorntown, Ind  
*Old Union*—J H Martin (C III), Johnsonville, Ind \$1,500. 100—T J Nelson, Jamestown, Ind  
*Osborn Prairie*—Geo E Hicks (N W I), Macy, Ind \$4,000. 220—A Boord, Stonebluff, Ind  
*Other Creek Union*—A J Akers, Farmersburg, Ind \$1,200. 164—A G Kessel, Fontanet, Ind  
*PLEASANT GROVE*—No pastor \$ 250. 50—W M Ratcliff, Kingman, Ind  
*Pleasant Hill*—D Powell, Wingate, Ind \$1,500. 238—J S Henry, Wingate, Ind  
*Pleasant View*—Silas Mosteller, Lebanon, Ind \$1,000. 145—Clara McKerns, Hazelrigg, Ind [Ind  
*Portland Mission*—Mrs M J Vinson, Veedersburg, \$ 000. 23—No clerk reported  
*Prairie Chapel*—Robt Harris (C III), Danville, Ill \$ 800. 100—H W Ellis, Hillsboro, Ind  
*Scotland*—G Woody, Darlington, Ind \$1,200. 93—G W Angleton, Kirklín, Ind  
*Shiloh*—R H Gott, Mellott, Ind \$1,000. 125—R D Billingsby, Advance, Ind  
*Stanton*—C E Matteson (V I), Stanton, Ind. \$1,000. 74—Alice Sherb, Stanton, Ind  
*Sterling*—J W Dudley, Linden, Ind \$ 600. 48—Rose Brier, Veedersburg, Ind  
*Union Cemetery*—W T Warbinton (Miami O), Hagerstown, Ind \$2,500. 165—Frank Helms, Aylesworth, Ind  
*Union Chapel*—No pastor \$ 500. 30—Mertill Tucker, Cunnott, Ind  
*Union Chapel (Clay Co)*—No pastor \$ 500. 5—No clerk reported  
*Yeddo*—G W Draper (C III), Danville, Ill \$1,000. 40—John Harshbarger, Yeddo, Ind  
*Zion*—R II Gott, Mellott, Ind \$ 800. 67—L D Gard, Cory, Ind

43 churches—town, 11; country, 32. Preaching, full time, 2; half time, 6; once per month, 30; no pastor, 5. Totals—valuation, \$19,750; membership, 4,583. Endeavor societies, 14; Sunday schools, 41.





REV. E. D. SIMMONS, NEW LONDON, IND.  
Western Indiana Conference.

### Bible Union Conference.

(Reported by Secretary Osburn.)

*Territory*—Comprises counties of Jackson, Lawrence, Monroe, and Brown, in Ind.

Next session, at Liberty, Ind., Oct. 5, 1899.

*President*, Preston Wray, Zelm, Ind.; *Vice-President*, John White, Mt Liberty, Ind.; *Secretary*, Rev. Alfred Osburn, Eclipse, Ind.; *Treasurer*, Jesse George, Norman Station, Ind.

#### MINISTERS, ADDRESSES, PASTORATES.

Aynes, Peter, Norman Station, Ind—Mt Pleasant  
Callihan, Jacob, Mooney, Ind—No pastorate  
Fish, Isaac E, Norman Station, Ind—Blue Valley—  
Mt Pleasant

George, Jesse, Norman Station, Ind—Liberty  
Graham, David, Nashville, Ind—No pastorate  
Hughes, Martin, Leesville, Ind—No pastorate  
Lindley, Thomas J, Medora, Ind—No pastorate  
McCune, John, Dillsboro, Ind—No pastorate  
Osburn, Alfred, Eclipse, Ind—Antioch—West Liberty  
Petrow, Preston, Schooner Valley, Ind—Mt Hermon  
Roddy, Samuel, Pikes Peak, Ind—No pastorate  
Snyder, John, Mt Liberty, Ind—No pastorate  
Waskom, Isaac, Odon, Ind—No pastorate  
Wilson, John R, Christiansburg, Ind—No pastorate  
Ordained, 13; licentiate, 1.

#### CHURCH, PASTOR, VALUE, MEMBERS, CLERK. (See p.100)

ANTIOCH—Alfred Osburn, Eclipse, Ind  
\$ 000. 36—David A Hawkins, Goss Mills, Ind  
BLUE VALLEY—Isaac E Fish, Norman Station, Ind  
\$ 0 0. 116—Samuel Bates, Elkinsville, Ind  
LIBERTY—Jesse George, Norman Station, Ind  
\$1,000 142—A Osburn, Eclipse, Ind  
MT HERMON—Preston Petrow, Schooner Valley, Ind  
\$ 000. 64—Isaiah Sherrill, Peter Cooper, Ind  
MT PLEASANT—Peter Aynes and Isaac E Fish, Nor-  
man Station, Ind  
\$ 000. 41—Jesse George, Norman Station, Ind

Mt Zion—No pastor  
\$ 000. 10—No clerk reported  
WALNUT GROVE—No pastor  
\$ 400 96—Joseph Bennett, Bethany, Ind  
West Liberty—Alfred Osburn, Eclipse, Ind  
\$ 000. 123—John A Snyder, Mt Liberty, Ind

8 churches—all country. Preaching, once per month, 6; no pastor, 2. Totals—valuation, \$1,400; membership, 633. Endeavor societies, none; Sunday schools, 2.

### Central Indiana Conference.

(Reported by Secretary Coy.)

*Territory*—Comprises Hendrix, Shelby, Johnson, Bartholomew, Brown, Owen, and Jackson counties.  
Next session, at Mt. Olivet, Oct. 4, 1899.

*President*, Rev. E. K. Pond, Clifford, Ind.; *Vice-President*, Rev. W. Freeman, Edinburg, Ind.; *Secretary*, Rev. D. O. Coy, Taylorsville, Ind.; *Treasurer*, N. W. Alexander, Franklin, Ind.

#### MINISTERS, ADDRESSES, PASTORATES.

Baker, P J, Lebanon, Ind—No pastorate  
Coy, D O, Taylorsville, Ind—Clifford—Mt Olivet—  
Taylorsville—Youngs Creek  
Cummings, J, Kurtz, Ind—No pastorate  
Downey, A S, East Enterprise, Ind—Superannuated  
Freeman, W, Edinburg, Ind—New Bethel—Pleasant  
Ridge  
Mace, F, Elizaville, Ind—Superannuated [Raintown  
Pond, E K, Clifford, Ind—Crooked Creek—Mt Zion—  
Whittington, F L, Columbus, Ind—No pastorate  
Williamson, C R, Ind—No pastorate  
Ordained, 8; licentiate, 1.

#### CHURCH, PASTOR, VALUE, MEMBERS, CLERK. (See p.100)

Blue River—No pastor  
\$ 500. 50—Geo A Wicker, Manilla, Ind  
CHESTNUT RIDGE—No pastor  
\$ 000. 25—J Russell, Seymour, Ind  
Clifford—D O Coy, Taylorsville, Ind  
\$ 800. 40—Lillie Mohr, Clifford, Ind  
Crooked Creek—E K Pond, Clifford, Ind  
\$ 500. 48—C Eddy, Cooper, Ind  
Mt Olivet—D O Coy, Taylorsville, Ind  
\$ 800. 65—J N Parks, Stinesville, Ind  
Mt Zion—E K Pond, Clifford, Ind  
\$ 500. 150—J Tipton, Pikes Peak, Ind  
New Bethel—W Freeman, Edinburg, Ind  
\$1,000. 147—J Taylor, Cleona, Ind  
Old Union—No pastor  
\$3,200. 137—Mary Pence, Taylorsville, Ind  
Pleasant Ridge—W Freeman, Edinburg, Ind  
\$ 800. 130—C S Loudon, Mooney, Ind  
Raintown—E K Pond, Clifford, Ind  
\$ 500. 35—J B Graham, Lizton, Ind  
STORY—No pastor  
\$ 100. 23—G Greathouse, Story, Ind  
Taylorsville—D O Coy, Taylorsville, Ind  
\$ 800. 46—Minnie Harris, Taylorsville, Ind  
Youngs Creek—D O Coy, Taylorsville, Ind  
\$1,000. 118—Geo Logan, Franklin, Ind  
13 churches—town, 2; country, 11. Preaching,  
once per month, 9; no pastor, 4. Totals—valuation,  
\$10,500; membership, 1,014. Endeavor societies,  
1; Sunday schools, 11.

### Indiana Miami Conference.

(Reported by Secretary Wiles.)

*Territory*—Comprises the counties of Madison, Hamilton, Tipton, Clinton, Howard, Grant, Huntington, Carroll, Cass, Miami, Delaware, and Wells.  
Next session, at Pikes Peak (date not given).

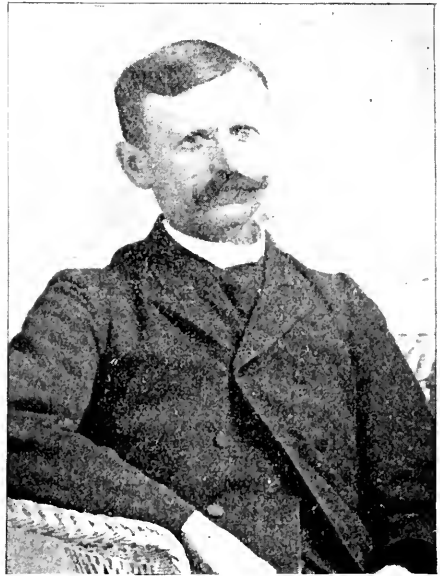
*President*, Rev. L. W. Hercules, Center, Ind.; *Vice-President*, Rev. C. W. Snodgrass, Marion, Ind.; *Secretary*, Rev. M. M. Wilos, Terhune, Ind.; *Treasurer*, Samuel Todd, Frankton, Ind.

## MINISTERS, ADDRESSES, PASTORATES.

Boswell, D S. Swayzee, Ind—No pastorate  
 Bozell, Geo, Tipton, Ind—Superannuated  
 Byrket, Eli, Warren, Ind—Superannuated  
 Chamness, A J, Millville, Ind—No pastorate  
 Clark, J L, Summitville, Ind—Superannuated  
 Clymer, J F, Elwood, Ind—Clarktown—Ironwood  
 Comer, Jas, Russiaville, Ind—No pastorate  
 Comer, J E, Center, Ind—Elm Grove  
*Deerin*, Oren, Upland, Ind—College Hill (Conf ?)  
 Dipboye, J W, Elwood, Ind—Farrville—Goldsmith—  
 Sugar Creek  
 Dipboye, J. Sr, Summitville, Ind—No pastorate  
 Dipboye, J, Jr, Frankton, Ind—No pastorate  
 Fite, S D, Gass City, Ind—Superannuated  
 Florea, H, Hackleman, Ind—Pikes Peak  
 Foster, G D, Kempton, Ind—New Hope—Linwood—  
 Sandbank. White Union (E Ind)  
 Garling, L K, Dunnegan, Mo—No pastorate  
 Halford, R A, Orestes, Ind—Tipton  
 Havens, I A, Elwood, Ind—No pastorate  
 Hensley, C C, Yorktown, Ind—No pastorate  
 Hercules, L W, Center, Ind—No pastorate  
 Himes, L, Arcada, Ind—College Corner  
 Hinkle, A P, Goldsmith, Ind—Darrows Chapel  
 Hobson, F D, Kokomo, Ind—Kokomo (N W I)  
 Hubbard, Geo, Warren, Ind—Superannuated  
 Hubbard, Thos, North Judson, Ind—Putaski (Conf ?)  
 Layman, John, Michigantown, Ind—No pastorate  
 Morris, A N, Muncie, Ind—Ogden (E Ind)  
 Morris, J F, 1715 Columbia Ave, Indianapolis, Ind—  
 Indianapolis  
 Mouncey, Bruce, Mt Zion, Ind—No pastorate  
 Mynatt, C A, Anderson, Ind—Anderson—Teeters-  
 burg [Chapel  
 Page, J W, Jefferson, Ind—Christian Chapel—Union  
 Pattee, C W, Kokomo, Ind—No pastorate  
 Roberts, M, Upland, Ind—No pastorate  
 Sheets, Mary J, Yorktown, Ind—No pastorate  
 Smith, F, Swayzee, Ind—Superannuated  
 Snodgrass, C W, Marion, Ind—So Marion  
 Stafford, T L, Anderson, Ind—Landessville  
 Teeters, M L, Goldsmith, Ind—Curtisville  
 Webb, L, Atlanta, Ind—No pastorate  
 Wiles, M M, Terhune, Ind—Elwood. Oakland—  
 Young America (N W I)  
*Winger*, Mike, Galveston, Ind—No pastorate  
*Winton*, James B, Tipton, Ind—Grange Hall (Conf ?)  
 Wischert, Emaline, Middletown, Ind—No pastorate  
 Ordained, 36; licentiates, 7.

## CHURCH, PASTOR, VALUE, MEMBERS, CLERK. (Seep. 100)

*Anderson*—C A Mynatt, Anderson, Ind  
 \$1,600. 140—John W Wilson, Anderson, Ind  
 Bethel—No pastor  
 \$ 500. 75—John H Zerfas, Frankfort, Ind  
 Center—Geo E Hicks (N W I), Macy, Ind  
 \$5,000. 143—A G Ingels, Kokomo, Ind  
 Christian Chapel—J W Page, Jefferson, Ind  
 \$ 000. 75—No clerk reported  
*Clarktown*—J F Clymer, Elwood, Ind  
 \$ 700. 71—Wm E Richards, Summitville, Ind  
 College Corner—L Himes, Arcada, Ind  
 \$ 000. 30—James Flanagan, Gillman, Ind  
 Curtisville—M L Teeter, Goldsmith, Ind  
 \$5,000. 26—Manorra Porrey, Curtisville, Ind  
 Darrows Chapel—A P Hinkle, Goldsmith, Ind  
 \$ 400. 29—Ella Addison, Kokomo, Ind  
 Elm Grove—J E Comer, Center, Ind  
 \$ 300. 31—Sarah M Bodkins, Florida, Ind  
 Elwood—M M Wiles, Terhune, Ind  
 \$1,500. 75—Mrs Anna Bolt, Elwood, Ind  
 Farrville—J W Dipboye, Elwood, Ind  
 \$1,000. 99—Viola Y Farr, Farrville, Ind  
 Goldsmith—J W Dipboye, Elwood, Ind  
 \$1,100. 60—J W Ellis, Goldsmith, Ind  
 Indianapolis—J F Morris, Indianapolis, Ind  
 \$ 000. 33—Williamette Marshall, Indianapolis, Ind  
 Ironwood—C F Clymer, Elwood, Ind  
 \$1,000. 56—Robert Taylor, Myers, Ind

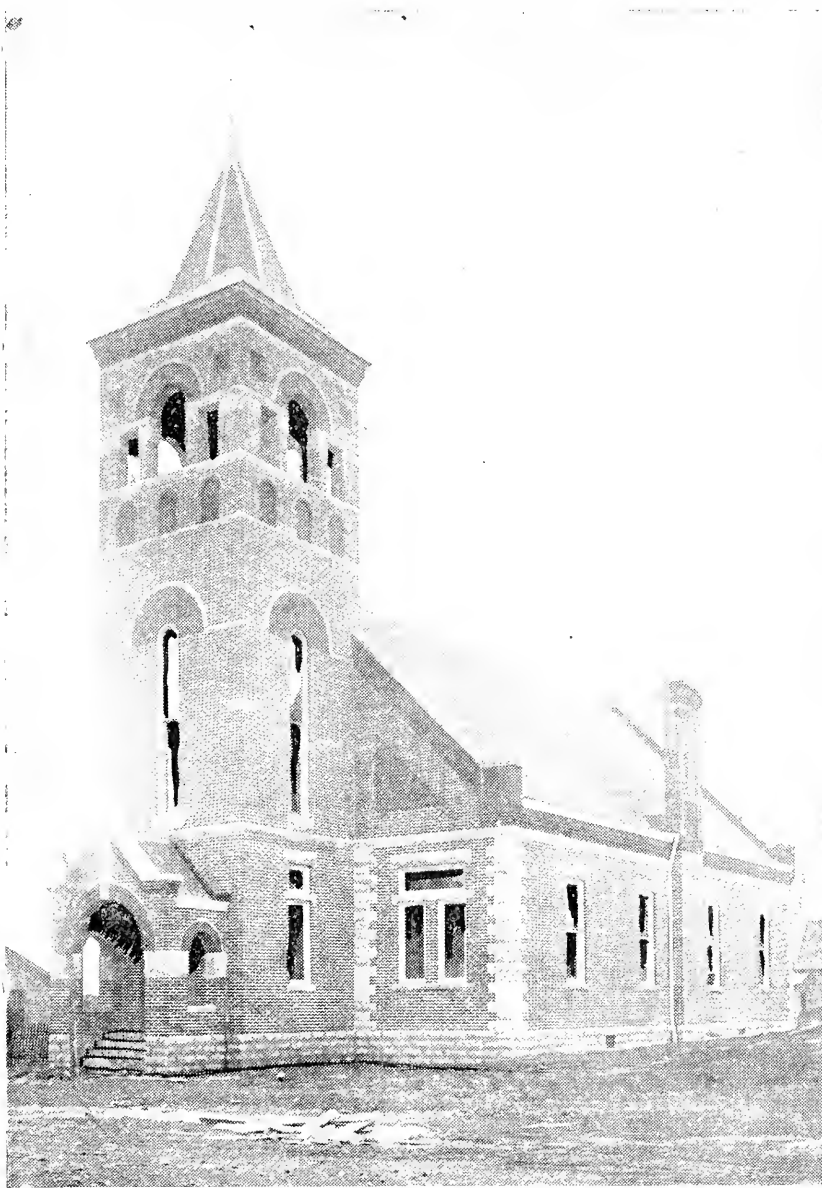


REV. L. W. HERCULES, CENTER, IND.

President Indiana Miami Reserve Conference.

Landessville—T L Stafford, Anderson, Ind  
 \$ 700. 87—Samuel D Weesner, Landess, Ind  
 Linwood—G D Foster, Kempton, Ind  
 \$ 800. 29—Mrs S A Thomas, Linwood, Ind  
 Lugar Creek—No pastor  
 \$ 800. 120—H C McRay, Marion, Ind  
 Mechanicsburg—No pastor  
 \$2,000. 58—A J Kising, Mechanicsburg, Ind  
 Mt Zion—Rev Smith (Conf ?), Hackleman, Ind  
 \$1,000. 105—W H Wilson, Galveston, Ind  
*New Hope*—G D Foster, Kempton, Ind  
 \$ 600. 84—Ceila Van Buskirk, Atlanta, Ind  
*Pikes Peak*—Henry Florea, Hackleman, Ind  
 \$ 800. 69—John Miller, Daleville, Ind  
 Prairieville—No pastor  
 \$3,000. 142—Ora Scott, Alto, Ind  
 REEDS—No pastor  
 \$ 500. 11—David S Hensley, Yorktown, Ind  
 Richland—No pastor  
 \$ 700. 75—Mary L Rushton, Ekin, Ind  
 Sand Bank—G D Foster, Kempton, Ind  
 \$1,000. 133—Rix L Hasket, Tipton, Ind  
 South Liberty—No pastor  
 \$ 700. 100—John Hunnecutt, Mt Zion Ind  
*South Marion*—C W Snodgrass, Marion, Ind  
 \$ 800. 77—EA Cox, Marion, Ind  
*South Muncie*—Morton Ross (E Ind), Winchester, Ind  
 \$ 000. 60—Lida Thompson, Muncie, Ind  
 Sugar Creek—J W Dipboye, Elwood, Ind  
 \$ 400. 96—P James Smith, Kirklind, Ind  
 Teetersburg—C A Mynatt, Anderson, Ind  
 \$1,500. 131—Elmer Simmons, Goldsmith, Ind  
 Tipton—R A Halford, Orestes, Ind  
 \$1,000. 75—Silas Harvey, Tipton Ind  
 UNION CHAPEL—J W Page, Jefferson, Ind  
 \$ 000. 81—T T Wiseman, Atlanta, Ind  
 Union Valley—No pastor  
 \$ 700. 55—Geo W Buckles, Elwood, Ind  
 WHEATSTONE CHAPEL—No pastor  
 \$1,000. 35—William Hull, Anderson, Ind

31 churches—town, 13; country, 21. Preaching,  
 half time, 5; once per month, 20; no pastor, 9. Totals  
 —valuation, \$30,100; membership, 2,589. Endeavor  
 societies, 8; Sunday schools, 31.



CENTER (IND.) CHRISTIAN CHURCH.  
Rev. Geo. E. Hicks, Macy, Ind., Pastor.



REV. F. F. CANADA, MULL, IND.  
President-elect Eastern Indiana Conference.

### Eastern Indiana Conference.

(Reported by Secretary Addington.)

*Territory*—Comprises counties of Wayne, Randolph, Henry, Delaware, and Jay in Ind., and part of Darke and Mercer counties, O.

Next session, at Portland, Ind., Sept. 12, 1899.  
President, Rev. R. P. Arrick, Farmland, Ind.;  
Vice-President, Rev. O. A. Harris, Shideler, Ind.;  
Secretary, Rev. A. M. Addington, Horn, Ind.; Treasurer, S. T. Overleese, Milroy, Ind.

#### MINISTERS, ADDRESSES, PASTORATES.

Addington, A. M. Horn, Ind.—Blountsville—Montpelier  
Addington, Thos, Ridgeville, Ind.—Superannuated  
Arnold, G. W. Osgood, O.—Osgood—Wabash Valley—  
Walnut Grove [White River  
Arick, R. P., Farmland, Ind.—Farmland—Sharon—  
Bailey, John A., Millville, Ind.—Superannuated  
Bales, W. O., Snowhill, Ind.—No pastorate  
Blodgett, Geo. W., Anderson, Ind.—Superannuated  
Bosworth, A. R., LeGrand, Ia.—LeGrand (C Ia)  
Bosworth, H. B., Portland, Ind.—Clear Creek—Hur-  
ricane—Pleasantvale—Silver Creek  
Boyce, W. T., Muncie, Ind.—North White River  
Burch, E., Arlington, Ind.—No pastorate  
Byrket, C. F., Muncie, Ind.—Antioch—Christian Chap-  
el—Fort Recovery. Swayzee (Ecl R)  
Cain, Geo. B., Fletcher, O.—Seilvidee. Charity Chapel  
—Oran (Miami O) [—Granville  
Canada, F. F., Mull, Ind.—Beaver Chapel—Elm Grove  
Capron, Lev., Union City, Ind.—No pastorate  
Coates, Anna, Harrisville, Ind.—No pastorate  
Cochran, J. H., Portland, Ind.—Pleasant Hill  
Coons, J. A., Nottingham, Ind.—Como—Lugar Creek.  
Hickory Grove (Conf ?)  
Coons, Jos. M., Powers, Ind.—Superannuated  
Cortner, J. R., Winchester, Ind.—Buenavista—Hol-  
lansburg—Winchester  
Davenport, D. S., Harrisville, Ind.—Superannuated  
Denny, L. L., Selma, Ind.—Slater  
Drake, P. A., Windsor, Ind.—Windsor  
Elliott, Martha, Farmland, Ind.—No pastorate  
Fockner, J. W., —, Ind.—No pastorate  
Gray, Isaac H., Muncie, Ind.—No pastorate  
Greene, O. S., Ft Recovery, O.—No pastorate  
Grey, N. W., Brickley, Ind.—Mt Zion—Sardina—Union

Guinn, M. M., Portland, Ind.—No pastorate [Springs  
Harris, O. A., Shideler, Ind.—Eden—Jireh—Sulphur  
Holiday, L. D., Shideler, Ind.—No pastorate  
Jacobs, Jesse, Boundary, Ind.—Superannuated  
Johnson, G. W., Eaton, Ind.—Jefferson—Union Chapel  
Johnson, I. V. D. R., Albany, Ind.—Albany  
Johnson, L. W., Losantville, Ind.—Superannuated  
Jones, J. E., Glenkarn, O.—No pastorate  
Julian, Tiffin, Christiansburg, O.—No pastorate  
Kershner, Clark B., New Carlisle, O.—New Carlisle  
(Miami O)—New Richland (N W O)  
Kershner, Rebecca, W. Liberty, O.—McKees Creek—  
W. Liberty (Miami O)  
Long, A., Versailles, O.—Superannuated  
Long, S., Versailles, O.—Superannuated  
Lott, H. L., Portland, Ind.—Salamonia [(Ecl R)  
Mall tt, Riley F., Anderson, Ind.—Bristol. Olivet  
Michael, W. E., Savannah, O.—No pastorate  
McNees, Samuel, Farmland, Ind.—Superannuated  
Mormon, J. H., Fountain City, Ind.—No pastorate  
Mullin, W. F., Farmland, Ind.—Shiloh  
Myers, Clement, Pony, Ind.—No pastorate  
Nealeigh, Jacob, Ludlow Falls, O.—No pastorate  
Nealeigh, Wm., Arcanum, O.—Superannuated  
Newhouse, J. T., Chesterfield, Ind.—No pastorate  
Oren, A. H., Farmland, Ind.—Superannuated  
Oren, Edward, Winchester Ind.—Mt Gilead  
Petree, John, Losantville, Ind.—No pastorate  
Reedy, Emma, Redkey, Ind.—No pastorate  
Robbins, John W., Mill Grove, Ind.—Carlos—Mt Zion  
—Olive Branch—Wabash  
Roberts, Jas., Sabina, O.—Superannuated  
Robinson, P. J., Farmland, Ind.—No pastorate  
Ross, Morton, Muncie, Ind.—Pleasant Valley. So  
Muncie (I M R)  
Ross, W. D., Winchester, Ind.—Superannuated  
Simonton, S. S., Montpelier, Ind.—Superannuated  
Spade, D. F., Portland, Ind.—Superannuated  
Spade, Wm., Bryant, Ind.—Superannuated  
Spitzer, T. A., New Mt Pleasant, Ind.—Good Hope  
Stanley, Hannah M., Economy, Ind.—No pastorate  
Stovenour, F., Portland, Ind.—Boston—Hannas  
Tate, W. H. H., Pikeville, O.—Superannuated [Creek  
Terrell, Wm., Windsor, Ind.—Superannuated  
Turner, P. A., Anthony, Ind.—No pastorate  
Warner, J. F., Ansonia, O.—Brock—Sugar Grove  
Watson, Henry, Anderson, Ind.—No pastorate  
Watson, J. A., Harrisville, Ind.—Harrisville. Teegar-  
Wetzel, J. Horn, Ind.—Mississinewa [den (N W O)  
Woton, Hugh, Jordan, Ind.—Superannuated  
Wright, G. W., Greenville, O.—Beach (Conf ?)

Ordained, 62; licentiates, 13. Died since last re-  
port, E. Fifer, N. H. Spencer.

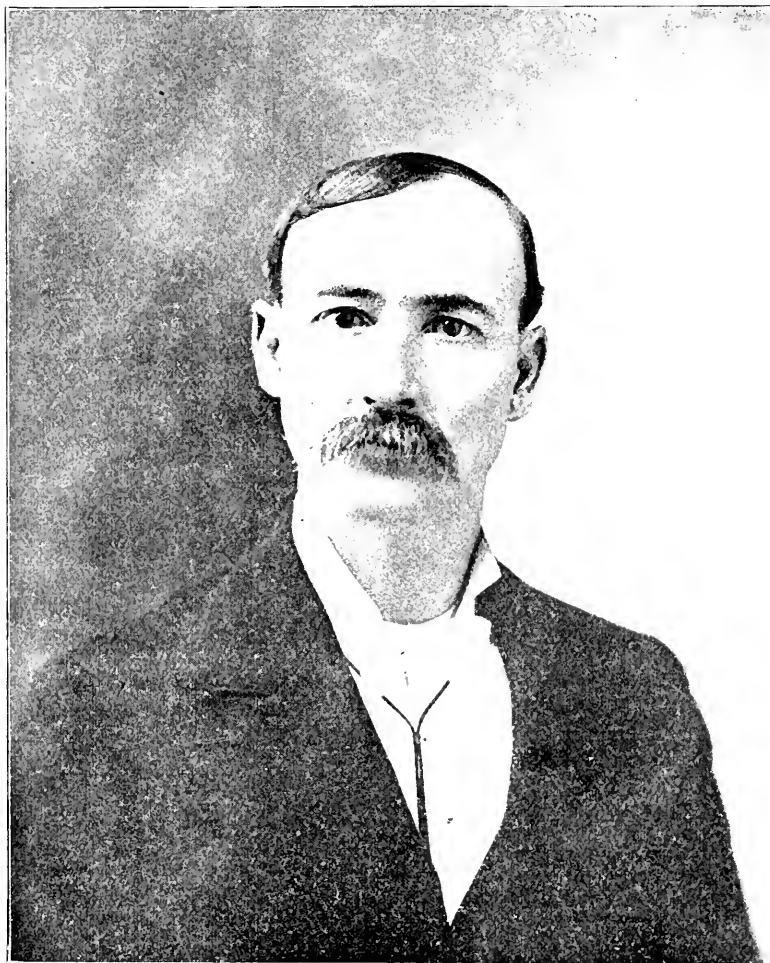
#### CHURCH, PASTOR, VALUE, MEMBERS, CLERK. (See p. 100)

Albany—I V D R Johnson, Albany, Ind \$2,500. 112—John Farrell, Albany, Ind  
Antioch—C F Byrket, Muncie, Ind \$ 600. 109—M M Holiday, Losantville, Ind  
Beamsville—G R Mell (N W O), Versailles, O \$1,500. 262—E H Miller, Versailles, O  
Beaver Chapel—F F Canada, Mull, Ind \$ 800. 80—J W Grier, Coldwater, O  
Bethel—No pastor \$ 400. 75—Geo Dunden, Coldwater, O  
Blountsville—A M Addington, Horn, Ind \$1,000. 65—J S Barr, Blountsville, Ind  
Boston—F Stovenour, Portland, Ind \$1,500. 65—Iva Crawford, Boston, Ind  
Bristol—Riley F Mallott, Anderson, Ind \$1,000. 75—John Prigg, Middletown, Ind  
Brock—J F Warner, Ansonia, O \$1,200. 107—Finley Lanich, Brock, O  
Buenavista—J R Cortner, Winchester, Ind \$ 800. 84—Bessie Jester, Unionsport, Ind  
Carlos—John W Robbins, Mill Grove Ind \$ 600. 60—Isaac E Smith, Carlos, Ind  
CHESTER CENTER—No pastor \$ 500. 60—Philip Thomas, Keystone, Ind  
Christian Chapel—C F Byrket, Muncie, Ind \$1,200. 30—Perry Turner, Muncie, Ind  
Christian Union—No pastor \$ 300. 12—Flora Kirby, Bryant, Ind  
Clear Creek—H B Bosworth, Portland, Ind \$1,400. 183—Seth Hinshaw, Clark, Ind  
Colleton—DeK Judy (Miami O), Greenville, O, and  
G W Shank (O Con), Greenville, O \$1,800. 48—C W Knoll, Mt Heron, O



ELDER THOMAS ADDINGTON AND SON, REV. A. M. ADDINGTON.  
Members of the Eastern Indiana Conference.

- Como—J A Coons, Nottingham, Ind \$ 700. 20—J W Ray, Como, Ind  
Concord—No pastor  
\$ 300. 13—H E McEwven, Greenville, O  
Corinth—No pastor  
\$ 500. 30—W H Collins, Muncie, Ind  
Eden—O A Harris, Shideler, Ind  
\$1,200. 217—I H Shideler, Shideler, Ind  
Elm Grove—F F Canada, Mull, Ind  
\$1,200. 62—Samuel Barr, Blain, Ind  
Fairview—DeK Judy (Miami O), Greenville, O  
\$ 500. 85—Geo E Hamilton, Darke, O [Ind  
Fall Creek—C W Hoefler (Miami O), Middletown,  
\$3,000. 72—No clerk reported  
Farmland—R P Arrick, Farmland, Ind  
\$2,250. 106—Zina Foster, Farmland, Ind  
Fellowship—No pastor  
\$ 200. 25—D C Ashcroft, Ample, Ind  
Et Recovery—C F Byrket, Muncie, Ind  
\$1,500. 156—Mrs Elma J Rapp, Et Recovery, O  
Good Hope—T A Spitzer, New Mt Pleasant, Ind  
\$ 700. 17—A C Towell, Randolph, Ind  
Granville—F F Canada, Mull, Ind  
\$ 800. 95—L W Davis, Granville, Ind [town, Ind  
Hagerstown—W T Warbinton (Miami O), Hagers-  
\$5,000. 60—A C Walker, Hagerstown, Ind  
Hannas Creek—F Stovenour, Portland, Ind  
\$1,000. 119—Homer Lafuze, Liberty, Ind  
Hollansburg—J R Cortner, Winchester, Ind  
\$2,000. 220—J E Jones, Glenkarn, O  
Harrisville—J A Watson, Harrisville, Ind  
\$ 400. 100—Samuel Combs, Harrisville, Ind  
Hurricane—H B Bosworth, Portland, Ind  
\$ 300. 57—S T Overlease, Milroy, Ind  
Jefferson—G W Johnson, Eaton, Ind  
\$2,000. 111—David Myers, Upland, Ind  
Jireh—O A Harris, Shideler, Ind  
\$1,000. 40—O Holiday, Shideler, Ind  
Lugar Creek—J A Coons, Nottingham, Ind  
\$ 000. 50—H C McRae, Manson, Ind [Ind  
Middletown—C W Hoefler (Miami O) Middletown,  
\$3,000. 70—L A Pickering, Middletown, Ind  
Millville—No pastor  
\$ 800. 80—Alfred Weber, Millville, Ind  
Mississinewa—J A Wetzel, Horn, Ind  
\$ 700. 115—Wm Peco, Brinckley, Ind [Ind  
Mooreland—C W Hoefler (Miami O), Middletown,  
\$1,500. 338—Abe Wrightsman, Mooreland, Ind  
Montpelier—A M Addington, Horn, Ind  
\$1,200. 86—Wm W Adams, Montpelier, Ind  
Mt Galead—Edward Oren, Winchester, Ind  
\$ 400. 40—Oscar Jones, Red Key, Ind  
Mt Zion—John W Robbins, Mill Grove, Ind  
\$ 800. 90—J B Findley, Celina, O  
Mt Zion—N W Grey, Brinckley, Ind  
\$ 500. 66—F M Thornburg, Losantville, Ind  
Muncie—No pastor  
\$1,000. 83—D B Miller, 1525 S Monroe St, Muncie,  
New Liberty—G W Shane (O Cen), Greenville, O  
\$1,500. 235—Wm H Bales, Winchester, Ind  
Noble—C A Garner (N W O), West Cairo, O  
\$1,000. 126—Lizzie Money, Et Recovery, O  
North White River—W T Boyce, Muncie, Ind  
\$1,000. 45—Job T Jeffrey, Farmland, Ind  
NOTTINGHAM—No pastor  
\$ 000. 35—Mary C Chelenger, Nottingham, Ind  
Ogden—A N Morris (I M R), Muncie, Ind  
\$ 300. 40—O B Byrket, Ozden, Ind  
Olive Branch—John W Robbins, Mill Grove, Ind  
\$ 600. 66—Wm Bosworth, Bragg, Ind  
Osgood—G W Arnold, Osgood, O  
\$ 800. 65—J W Boyd, Osgood, O  
Philadelphia—No pastor  
\$ 700. 24—May Hawk, New Burlington, Ind  
Pleasantgrove—No pastor  
\$ 200. 20—Ethel Thornburg, Farmland, Ind  
Pleasant Hill—J H Cochran, Portland, Ind  
\$ 800. 128—A L Lindley, Jordan, Ind  
Pleasantridge—L D Brown (Miami O), Vine, O  
\$1,000. 60—A P Richards, Vine, O  
Pleasant Vale—H B Bosworth, Portland, Ind  
\$ 850. 139—G F Coons, Powers, Ind  
Pleasant Valley—Morton Ross, Muncie, Ind  
\$ 800. 50—A C Bradford, Hartford City, Ind



REV. R. P. ARRICK, PRESIDENT EASTERN INDIANA CONFERENCE.

- Portland—J B Fenner (Miami O), Portland, Ind \$5,000. 150—T H Denny, Portland, Ind  
 Prairie Grove—No pastor  
 \$ 300. 20—Mary A Brook, Newcorner, Ind  
*Salamonia*—H L Lott, Portland, Ind \$3,000. 123—P G Collett, Portland, Ind  
*Sardina*—N W Grey, Brinckley, Ind \$ 800. 80—E W Hammitt, Mills Corner, Ind  
*Sharon*—R P Arrick, Farmland, Ind \$ 800. 142—Anna M Godlove, Albany, Ind  
*Shiloh*—W F Mullin, Farmland, Ind \$1,500. 100—J H Ford, Brinckley, Ind  
*Silver Creek*—H B Bosworth, Portland, Ind \$ 500. 65—Jos Lafuze, Liberty, Ind  
*Slater*—L L Denny, Selma, Ind \$ 600. 68—Jonathan Thomas, Montpelier, Ind  
*Stelvideo*—Geo B Cain, Fletcher, O \$1,200. 100—C F Smith, Beamsville, O  
*Straughn*—C W Hoefler (Miami O), Middletown, Ind \$1,000. 104—Mary Waddell, Straughn, Ind  
*Sugar Grove*—J F Warner, Ansonia, O \$ 300. 5—Daniel Brewer, Hagar, O  
*Sulphur Springs*—O A Harris, Shideler, Ind \$ 400. 75—Allie Rader, Sulphur Springs, Ind  
 Union—N W Grey, Brinckley, Ind \$ 200. 67—Ira Smithton, Nefl, Ind  
*Union Chapel*—Geo W Johnson, Eaton, Ind \$ 600. 78—Rachel Kimble, Balbeck, Ind  
*Wabash*—John W Robbins, Mill Grove, Ind \$1,200. 52—J W Sheward, Wabash, O  
*Wabash Valley*—G W Arnold, Osgood, O \$ 350. 122—David Bender, North Star, O  
*Walnut Grove*—G W Arnold, Osgood, O \$ 600. 80—Robert Brandon, Yorks-hire, O  
*White River*—R P Arrick, Farmland, Ind \$ 800. 52—C W McNeese, Farmland, Ind  
*White Union*—G D Foster (I M R), Kempton, Ind \$ 600. 75—David Strought, Sulphur Springs, Ind  
*Winchester*—J R Cortner, Winchester, Ind \$1,000. 109—Harry Imboden, Winchester, Ind  
*Windsor*—P A Drake, Windsor, Ind \$ 700. 45—S W Kennedy, Winchester, Ind  
*Woodington*—E A Watkins (Conf ?), Lookout, O \$1,500. 120—J W Ganger, Woodington, O  
 80 churches—town, 33; country, 47. Preaching, full time, 2; half time, 14; once per month, 52; no pastor, 12. Totals—valuation, \$85,550; membership, 7,000. Endeavor societies, 18; Sunday schools, 77.



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## Southern Indiana and Illinois Conference.

(Reported by Secretary Hausser.)

Next session, at Bethsaida, Ind., Sept. 7, 1899.  
*President*, D. A. Epperson, Haubstadt, Ind.; *Vice-President*, A. H. Boren, Eldorado, Ill.; *Secretary and Treasurer*, A. W. Hausser, Texas City, Ill.

## MINISTERS, ADDRESSES, PASTORATES.

*Barrett*, E. H., Meadville, Pa.—Student  
*Bennett*, A. H., Sumpter, Ill.—Sagar Creek—Sumner—(S W Ill), Muncie (C Ill)  
*Brewer*, P. B., Hord, Ill.—Burnt Prairie, Bethel—Christian Temple—Cottage Home—Glenwood (S W Ill)  
*Cox*, I. N., Texas City, Ill.—Carmi—Christian Chapel Pleasant Hill—Pleasant Union  
*Damron*, J. M., Evansville, Ind.—No pastorate  
*Davis*, W. F., Fairfield, Ill.—Richland | Muncie (C Ill)  
*Defur*, Clarence, Danville, Ill.—Atwood—Danville—Ellis, R. J., Boyleston, Ill.—Arrington  
*Ewin*, Wm., Thackeray, Ill.—No pastorate  
*Laud*, James, Carmi, Ill.—Evangelist [—Poplar  
*Littell*, J. B., Boyleston, Ill.—Boyleston—New Liberty  
*Remole*, U. G., New Haven, Ill.—Moore's Chapel  
*Remole*, Louis, Carlinburg, Ky.—No pastorate  
*Wiggins*, J. D., Ball, Ill.—No pastorate  
 Ordained, 12; licentiates, 2.

CHURCH, PASTOR, VALUE, MEMBERS, CLERK. (Seep. 100)

Antioch—No pastor  
 \$ 400. 10—Ada Knowles, Owensville, Ind

Arrington—R J Ellis, Boyleston, Ill  
 \$ 200. 30—George Borah, Sims, Ill  
*Bethsaida*—J A Tracy (So W Ill), Claremont, Ill  
 \$1,200. 113—J M Norris, Stewartsville, Ind  
 Boyleston—J B Littell, Boyleston, Ill  
 \$ 700. 40—J B Cable, Boyleston, Ill  
 Burnt Prairie—P B Brewer, Hord, Ill  
 \$ 600. 48—Rachel Warthen, Trumbull, Ill  
 Carmi—I N Cox, Texas City, Ill  
 \$ 300. 46—Nora Dawson, Carmi, Ill  
 Christian Chapel—I N Cox, Texas City, Ill  
 \$1,100. 40—Susan Hunt, Bungay, Ill  
 Moore's Chapel—U G Remole, New Haven, Ill  
 \$ 000. 46—Geo P Kincaid, Mt Vernon, Ind  
 Mt Zion—No pastor  
 \$ 500. 31—August Brausa, Loyd, Ind  
 New Liberty—J B Littell, Boyleston, Ill  
 \$ 900. 218—Elmer Carter, Cynthiana, Ind  
 Pleasant Hill—I N Cox, Texas City, Ill  
 \$ 250. 34—John Baughman, Albion, Ill  
 Pleasant Union—J N Cox, Texas City, Ill  
 \$ 500. 40—S A Tramel, Famous, Ill  
 Poplar—J B Littell, Boyleston, Ill  
 \$ 900. 92—A W Hausser, Texas City, Ill  
 Richland—W F Davis, Fairfield, Ill  
 \$ 600. 27—E L Neaveill, Boyleston, Ill  
 Union—J T Phillips (W I), Frankfort, Ind  
 \$ 800. 75—Samuel Angell, Evansville, Ind

15 churches—town, 3; country, 12. Preaching, half time, 1; once per month, 12; no pastor, 2. Total—valuation, \$8,350; membership, 890. Endeavor societies, 1; Sunday schools, 15.

## Illinois State Conference.

(Reported by Rev. W. M. Ealey.)

*Territory*—Comprises the State of Illinois, including Western Ill., Central Ill., Southern Ill., Southern Wabash, and that part of the Northern Ill. and Wis., and of the Southern Ind. and Ill. Conference which is in Ill.

Next session, (place and date not given.)

*President*, Rev. R. W. Pittman, Piatt, Ill.; *Vice Presidents*, presidents of the District Conferences; *Secretary*, Rev. I. M. Hoel, Newton, Ill.; *Treasurer*, Rev. R. A. Plunkett, Trimble, Ill.

## Central Illinois Conference.

(Reported by Secretary Wilson.)

*Territory* (not well defined)—Churches in Vermillion, Douglas, Coles, Moultrie, Piatt, Dewitt, and Champaign counties, Ill., and Warren Co., Ind.

Next session, at Atwood, Ill. (time not reported).

*President*, A. L. Johnson, Alvin, Ill.; *Vice-President*, Levi Goodell, Mansfield, Ill.; *Secretary*, Will R. Wilson, State Line, Ind.; *Treasurer*, E. P. James Mansfield, Ill.

### MINISTERS, ADDRESSES, PASTORATES.

Braithwaite, E. Ivesdale, Ill.—No pastorate  
Clapp, J. Alex, Danville, Ill.—Lake Fork  
Draper, G. W., Danville, Ill.—Olive. Yeddo (W Ind)  
Ealey, W. M., Urbana, Ill.—Hope—South Prairie  
Embree, Isaac, Georgetown, Ill.—Cedar Grove—New Village Chapel

Fitts, F. F., Atwood, Ill.—No pastorate  
Green, John, Danville, Ill.—Pleasant Grove  
Gunn, H. H., Oakwood, Ill.—Superannuated [lege  
Harrington, M. J., Merom, Ind.—Student at U C Col-  
Harris, Robert, Danville, Ill.—Linden—Prairie  
Chapel (W Ind)

Harshbarger, S., Atwood, Ill.—Superannuated  
Hawk, C., Merom, Ind.—Milmine  
Hodges, S., Catlin, Ill.—No pastorate  
Lake, Israel, Hillsdale, Ind.—No pastorate  
Lawrence, G. D., Urbana, Ill.—Mt Zion—Urbana  
Martin, J. H., Johnsville, Ind.—Old Union (W Ind)  
Masterson, C. S., Garrett, Ill.—Prairie Hope—Prospect  
Mendenhall, I. C., La Cygne, Kan.—No pastorate  
Miller, Mrs. K. E., Champaign, Ill.—U C Chapel  
Patterson, J. J., Danville, Ill.—Bethel—La Place  
Rippey, G. W., Atwood, Ill.—Arthur—Christian Chapel  
—Pleasant View

Shultz, P. M., Filley, Mo.—Superannuated  
Synder, Thos., Pilot, Ill.—No pastorate  
Swisher, Samuel, Danville, Ill.—Tilton  
Ordained, 22; licentiates, 2.

### CHURCH, PASTOR, VALUE, MEMBERS, CLERK. (Seep. 100)

Arthur—G. W. Rippey, Atwood, Ill  
\$3,500. 115—W. H. H. Reeder, Arthur, Ill  
Atwood—Clarence Defur (So I & Ill), Atwood, Ill  
\$1,800. 209—C. H. Messenger, Atwood, Ill  
Bethel—J. J. Patterson, Danville, Ill  
\$1,300. 106—E. B. James, Mansfield, Ill  
Cedar Grove—Isaac Embree, Georgetown, Ill  
\$1,200. 44—Laura Cunningham, Snider, Ill  
Christian Chapel—G. W. Rippey, Atwood, Ill  
\$1,200. 98—J. L. Palin, Pilot, Ill  
Danville—Clarence Defur (So I & Ill), Danville, Ill  
\$8,500. 60—Margaret Campbell, Danville, Ill  
Forest Hill—No pastor  
\$1,000. 53—Charles B. Hall, State Line, Ind  
Hedrick—No pastor  
\$1,200. 37—Wm. Messmore, Hedrick, Ind  
Hope—W. M. Ealey, Urbana, Ill  
\$1,000. 93—Mollie Thomas, Hope, Ill  
Lake Fork—J. Alex Clapp, Danville, Ill  
\$800. 110—Anna Quick, Atwood, Ill  
La Place—J. J. Patterson, Danville, Ill  
\$1,200. 90—Selwin Blythe, La Place, Ill  
Milmine—C. Hawk, Merom, Ind  
\$2,000. 53—Lizzie Lefever, Milmine, Ill  
Mt Zion—G. D. Lawrence, Urbana, Ill  
\$1,000. 20—James Springer, Urbana, Ill  
Muncie—Clarence Defur (So I & Ill), Atwood, Ill  
\$1,100. 91—J. G. Lucas, Muncie, Ill



REV. C. S. MASTERSON, GARRETT, ILLINOIS.  
Illinois Central Conference.

New Village Chapel—Isaac Embree, Georgetown, Ill  
\$1,000. 48—Charles Plank, Georgetown, Ill  
Olive—G. W. Draper, Danville, Ill  
\$1,000. 75—Emma Hower, Deers, Ill  
Pleasant Grove—John Green, Danville, Ill  
\$200. 84—J. M. Peters, St. Joseph, Ill  
Pleasant View—G. W. Rippey, Atwood, Ill  
\$650. 154—Zac Starr, Bismark, Ill  
POAGE—No pastor  
\$000. 37—Sallie Osborn, Ogden, Ill  
Prairie Chapel—No pastor  
\$1,300. 23—Celeste Harter, Hammond, Ill  
Prairie Hope—C. S. Masterson, Garrett, Ill  
\$1,200. 93—Wiley Hawk, St. Joseph, Ill  
Prospect—C. S. Masterson, Garrett, Ill  
\$2,000. 93—Fred Holmes, Ogden, Ill  
RILEYSBURG—No pastor  
\$000. 25—R. C. Peterson, Rileysburg, Ind  
South Prairie—W. M. Ealey, Urbana, Ill  
\$1,450. 59—Marshall Hall, Dealand, Ill  
Tilton—Samuel Swisher, Danville, Ill  
\$800. 28—E. W. Hutton, Vandercook, Ill  
U C Chapel—Mrs. K. E. Miller, Champaign, Ill  
\$900. 71—George H. Erhardt, Pierson, Ill  
Urbana—G. D. Lawrence, Urbana, Ill  
\$1,500. 180—Kate Bensyl, Urbana, Ill

27 churches—town, 9; country, 18. Preaching, full time, 1; half time, 10; once per month, 11; no pastor, 5. Totals—valuation, \$38,800; membership, 2,149. Endeavor societies, 9; Sunday schools, 25.

## Southern Illinois Conference.

(Reported by Secretary Davidson.)

*Territory*—Jackson, Williamson, Johnson, Union, and Pope counties.

Next session, at Union Church, Aug. 31, 1899.

*President*, Rev. M. L. Fly, Progress, Ill.; *Secretary*, Rev. T. J. Davidson, Alto Pass, Ill.

### MINISTERS, ADDRESSES, PASTORATES.

Bowerman, G. J., Murphysboro, Ill.—No pastorate  
Brewer, John, Carbondale, Ill.—Mt Pleasant  
Brooks, M. C., Makanda, Ill.—Drury  
Childers, W. C., Wolfcreek, Ill.—No pastorate



Clifton, J H, Vienna, Ill—No pastorate  
 Craig, W D, Wolfcreek, Ill—No pastorate  
 Crowder, N G, Bloomfield, Ill—Mt Olive  
 Davidson, T J, Alto Pass, Ill—No pastorate  
 Doolin, G W, Murphysboro, Ill—No pastorate  
 Evans, Rev, Bloomfield, Ill—No pastorate  
 Fly, M L, Progress, Ill—Ebenezer—New Fellowship  
 —New Liberty  
 Fulgham, P O, Murphysboro, Ill—Christian Union  
 Hale, W C, Makanda, Ill—No pastorate  
 Hall, R D, Regent, Ill—Hickory Grove  
 Hess, Perry, Cartersville, Ill—No pastorate  
 Hiller, G W, Makanda, Ill—No pastorate  
 Lindsey, I, Alto Pass, Ill—No pastorate  
 Lindsey, W R, Oakville, Ill—Hickory Ridge—Little  
 Craborehard—Mt Cana—Union  
 Martin, W T, Regent, Ill—No pastorate  
 McDaniel, Rev, Allerton, Ill—No pastorate  
 McKinzie, G C, Boskydell, Ill—County Line  
 Reed, W R, Wolfcreek, Ill—Oak Grove  
 Reynolds, M G, Allerton, Ill—Christian Home  
 Underwood, Wm, Murphysboro, Ill—No pastorate  
 Wilson, W A, Murphysboro, Ill—No pastorate  
 Winchester, L E, Carbondale, Ill—Union Hill  
 Ordained, 25; licentiate, 1.

## CHURCH, PASTOR, VALTE, MEMBERS, CLERK. (See p.100)

Brewer Union—No pastor  
 \$ 000. 29—Maude Lipe, Pomona, Ill  
 Christian Home—M G Reynolds, Allerton, Ill  
 \$ 000. 10—Lucy Bradburn, Allerton, Ill  
 Christian Union—P O Fulgham, Murphysboro, Ill  
 \$ 450. 67—Selina Ervin, Murphysboro, Ill  
 County Line—G C McKinzie, Boskydell, Ill  
 \$1,000. 67—A K Hiller, Carbondale, Ill  
 Drury—M C Brooks, Makanda, Ill  
 \$ 350. 9—J W Holland, Carbondale, Ill  
 Ebenezer—M L Fly, Progress, Ill  
 \$ 000. 42—A R Cox, Goreville, Ill  
 Hickory Grove—R D Hall, Regent Ill  
 \$ 500. 56—G W Wollard, Wolfcreek, Ill  
 Hickory Ridge—W R Lindsey, Oakville, Ill  
 \$ 000. 15—Thomas Cochran, Murphysboro, Ill  
 LITTLE CRABORCHARD—W R Lindsey, Oakville, Ill  
 \$ 500. 40—Wm Hagler, Carbondale, Ill  
 Mt Cana—W R Lindsey, Oakville, Ill  
 \$ 600. 47—A H Dawson, Wolfcreek, Ill  
 Mt Olive—N G Crowder, Bloomfield, Ill  
 \$ 700. 10—J E Pfeuger, Vienna, Ill  
 Mt Pleasant—John Brewer, Carbondale, Ill  
 \$ 600. 186—Bettie C Norton, Pomona, Ill  
 New Fellowship—M L Fly, Progress, Ill  
 \$ 000. 24—John Brooks, Makanda, Ill  
 New Home—No pastor  
 \$ 000. 26—W T Maxwell, Glendale, Ill  
 New Liberty—M L Fly, Progress, Ill  
 \$1,000. 89—J W V Fly, Progress, Ill  
 Oak Grove—W R Reed, Wolfcreek, Ill  
 \$ 400. 61—W A York, Cottage Home, Ill  
 Union—W R Lindsey, Oakville, Ill  
 \$ 700. 185—J T Brooks, Cobden, Ill  
 Union Hill—L E Winchester, Carbondale, Ill  
 \$ 800 99—S Crawshaw, Carbondale, Ill

18 churches—all country. Preaching, half time.  
 3; once per month, 13; no pastor, 2. Totals—valuation,  
 \$1,600; membership, 1,062. Endeavor societies,  
 1; Sunday schools, 17.

## Southern Wabash (Ill.) Conference.

(Reported by Secretary Mahaney.)

*Territory*—Occupies Clark, Cumberland, Elling-  
 ham, Crawford, Lawrence, Jasper, Richland, Clay,  
 and Wayne counties, Illinois.

Next session, at Mt. Gilead Church, Oct. —, 1899.

*President*, Rev. M. V. Hathaway, Trimble, Ill.;

*Vice-President*, Rev. J. J. Douglas, Merom, Ind.;

*Secretary*, Rev. P. S. Mahaney, Winterrowd, Ill.;

*Treasurer*, J. H. Brinson, Willow Hill, Ill.



REV. J. A. TRACY, CLAREMONT, ILLS.  
 Southern Wabash (Illinois) Conference.

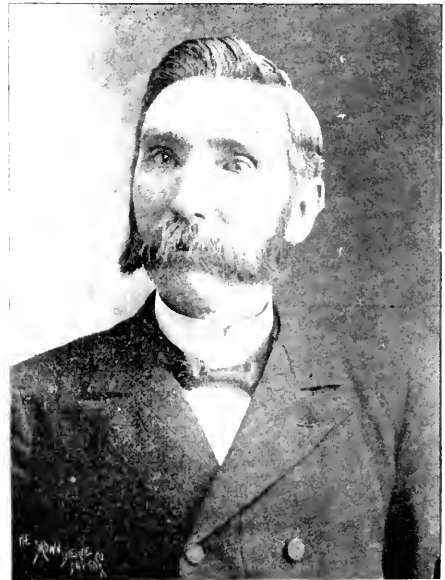
## MINISTERS, ADDRESSES, PASTORATES.

Boyer, G M, Merom, Ind—No pastorate  
 Catt, C M, Willowhill, Ill—No pastorate  
 Catt, H D, Willowhill, Ill—No pastorate  
 Cheek, S L, Noble, Ill—Superannuated  
 Douglas, J J, Merom, Ind—Green Hill  
 Evans, John, Merom, Ind—White Oak Chapel  
 Frederick, J R, Annapolis, Ill—Shiloh  
 Gettinger, H, Merom, Ind—No pastorate  
 Gray, D, Sumner, Ill—No pastorate  
 Gustaf, Evan, Hutsonville, Ill—No pastorate  
 Hatfield, D H, Newton, Ill—Pleasant Valley—  
 Trimble—Winterrowd  
 Hathaway, M V, Trimble, Ill—No pastorate  
 Herrin, A, Olney, Ill—No pastorate  
 Hoel, I M, Newton, Ill—Grand Prairie—Newton—  
 Porterville  
 Jacobs, A O, Mason, Ill—Bethsaida—Brookville—  
 Mt Gilead—Mt Olive (Clarke Co)  
 Lannan, Hattie, Parma, Idaho—Gov position  
 Mahaney, P S, Winterrowd, Ill—No pastorate  
 McKinney, Geo, Wynoose, Ill—No pastorate  
 Paul, W T, Greenup, Ill—Mt Olive (Jasper Co)  
 Plunkett, J M, Trimble, Ill—Bible Chapel—Sandy  
 Creek  
 Price, Samuel, Greenup, Ill—Antioch—Berlin—Fair-  
 view—Mt Zion  
 Ransford, W H, Oblong, Ill—No pastorate  
 Roberts, Walter, Merom, Ind—No pastorate  
 Robinson, Frank, Merom, Ind—No pastorate  
 Ryan, D A, Greenup, Ill—No pastorate  
 Shepard, J A, Wynoose, Ill—Superannuated  
 Smith, Y, Hord, Ill—No pastorate  
 Tracy, J A, Claremont, Ill—Lamotte—Lucas Creek  
 —Sugar Prairie. Bethsaida (So I & Ill)  
 Wade, Pleasant, Newton, Ill—Hidalgo—Hunt City—  
 South Bend. Forest Ridge (Conf?)  
 Wade, Thos, Greenup, Ill—Bethany—Bethlehem—  
 Hardinville—Mt Moriah—Willow Prairie  
 Wright, J B, Sumner, Ill—Superannuated  
 Ordained, 26; licentiates, 5. Died since last report,  
 John Wade.

## CHURCH, PASTOR, VALUE, MEMBERS, CLERK. (See p. 100)

Antioch—Samuel Price, Greenup, Ill  
 \$ 600. 60—Emma Dishong, Sumner, Ill  
 Berlin—Samuel Price, Greenup, Ill  
 \$ 400. 35—Sicily Burcham, Pierceburg  
 Bethany—Thomas Wade, Greenup, Ill  
 \$ 750. 109—A J Coleman, Hunt, Ill  
 Bethel—P B Brewer (So I & Ill), Hord, Ill  
 \$ 800. 39—Frank Giddings, Iola, Ill  
 Bethlehem—Thomas Wade, Greenup, Ill  
 \$ 800. 157—J M Moore, Helena, Ill  
 BETHSAIDA—A O Jacobs, Mason, Ill  
 \$ 350. 85—Eunice Evans, Eberle, Ill  
 BIBLE CHAPEL—J M Plunkett, Trimble, Ill  
 \$ 800. 101—Ryley Snyder, Stoy, Ill  
 Brookville—A O Jacobs, Mason, Ill  
 \$ 900. 70—Nila Bennifield, Hunt, Ill  
 Christian Temple—P B Brewer, (S I & Ill) Hord, Ill  
 \$ 550. 81—Alice Moore, Flora, Ill  
 Cottage Home—P B Brewer, (S I & Ill), Hord, Ill  
 \$1,000. 57—A L Beard, Louisville, Ill  
 Fairview—Samuel Price, Greenup, Ill  
 \$ 500. 57—Daisy Printz, Lis, Ill  
 Glenwood—P B Brewer, (S I & Ill), Hord, Ill  
 \$ 600. 83—N F Richmond, Noble, Ill  
 Grand Prairie—I M Hoel, Newton, Ill  
 \$ 900. 100—H C Brown, Robinson, Ill  
 Green Hill—J J Douglas, Merom, Ind  
 \$ 000. 62—Lucy Waters, Heathsville, Ill  
 Hardinville—Thomas Wade, Greenup, Ill  
 \$ 750. 53—W E Houts, Hardinville, Ill  
 Hidalgo—Pleasant Wade, Newton, Ill  
 \$1,200. 90—Wm Vanatta, Hidalgo, Ill  
 Hunt City—Pleasant Wade, Newton, Ill  
 \$1,100. 24—Mary Lenox, Hunt, Ill  
 LAMOTTE—J A Tracy, Claremont, Ill  
 \$ 700. 143—C C Horning, Palestine, Ill  
 LIBERTY—No pastor  
 \$1,000. 57—John Artberry, Wynoose, Ill  
 Lucas Creek—J A Tracy, Claremont, Ill  
 \$1,000. 197—Joseph Blair, Hord, Ill  
 Mt Gilead—A O Jacobs, Mason, Ill  
 \$ 600. 132—D I Sherer, Olney, Ill  
 Mt MORIAH—Thomas Wade, Greenup, Ill  
 \$ 000. 37—J A Rude, Moonshine, Ill  
 Mt Olive (Clark Co)—A O Jacobs, Mason, Ill  
 \$ 650. 56—J V Poe, Martinsville, Ill  
 Mt OLIVE (Jasper Co)—W T Paul, Greenup, Ill  
 \$ 500. 43—Herma Cramer, Palmersburg, Ill  
 Mt Zion—Samuel Price, Greenup, Ill  
 \$ 650. 76—Nelson Tharp, Greenup, Ill  
 Newton—I M Hoel, Newton, Ill  
 \$3,000. 119—Scuyler Reed, Newton, Ill  
 Pleasant Valley—D H Hatfield, Newton, Ill  
 \$ 600. 61—J A Skaggs, Oblong, Ill  
 Porterville—I M Hoel, Newton, Ill  
 \$1,500. 137—Eva Kirtz, Eaton, Ill  
 Sandy Creek—J M Plunkett, Trimble, Ill  
 \$ 800. 158—G W Corbin, Latonia, Ill  
 Shiloh—J R Frederick, Annapolis, Ill  
 \$ 600. 65—J A McNair, Willowhill, Ill  
 SOUTH BEND—Pleasant Wade, Newton, Ill  
 \$ 800. 61—Samuel Hughes, Dark Bend, Ill  
 Sugar Creek—A H Bennett (So I & Ill), Sumpter, Ill  
 \$ 600. 128—Anna Enochs, Olney, Ill  
 Sugar Prairie—J A Tracy, Claremont, Ill  
 \$ 800. 62—M J Nelson, Olney, Ill  
 Sumner—A H Bennett (S I & Ill), Sumpter, Ill  
 \$1,000. 153—Mary A Stoltz, Sumner, Ill  
 Trimble—D H Hatfield, Newton, Ill  
 \$ 300. 157—Peter King, Trimble, Ill  
 White Oak Chapel—John Evans, Merom, Ind  
 \$ 600. 56—M F Robinson, Kibbie, Ill  
 Willow Prairie—Thomas Wade, Greenup, Ill  
 \$ 600. 71—J A Keran, Annapolis, Ill  
 Winterrowd—D H Hatfield, Newton, Ill  
 \$ 400. 51—Emma Lake, Winterrowd, Ill

38 churches—towns, 9; country, 29. Preaching, half time, 1; once per month, 36; no pastor, 1. Totals—valuation, \$29,000; membership, 3,284. Endeavor societies, 8; Sunday schools, 31.



REV. ROBINSON ASHBY, INDUSTRY, ILLS.  
 Secretary Western Illinois Conference.

### Western Illinois Conference.

(Reported by Secretary Ashby.)

*Territory*—Comprises Fulton Warren, Knox, McDonough, and Brown counties.

Next session, at Industry, Ill., Sept. 13, 1899.

*President*, A. L. Wingate, Avon, Ill.; *Vice-President*, M. H. Mitchell, Ellisville, Ill.; *Secretary*, Rev. R. Ashby, Industry, Ill.; *Treasurer*, F. M. Bordner, Lewistown, Ill.

#### MINISTERS, ADDRESSES, PASTORATES.

Ashby, R. Industry, Ill.—Industry  
 Atcluson, L. B. Greenbush, Ill.—Superannuated  
 Crawford, F. E. Vandalia, Ill.—No pastorate  
 Crawford, Jacob, Lewistown, Ill.—Christiana—  
 Lewistown  
 Hayden, J. J. Blairstown, Ia.—Superannuated  
 Irons, E. W. Ellisville, Ill.—Superannuated  
 Irons, Geo. W. Bernadotte, Ill.—Waterford  
 Jones, John R. Canton, Ill.—Superannuated  
 Laird, S. B. Fiatt, Ill.—Superannuated  
 Like, H. H. Woodhull, Ill.—No pastorate  
 Martindale, C. S. Lewistown, Ill.—Mt Pleasant  
 McMillen, John, Winterset, Ia.—Superannuated  
 Pittman, R. W. Fiatt, Ill.—Fiatt—Marietta—Olive  
 Ray, D. S. Marietta, Ill.—Superannuated  
 Sheesley, A. Lewistown, Ill.—No pastorate  
 Stewart, R. Lewistown, Ill.—Superannuated  
 Welch, J. R. Marietta, Ill.—No pastorate  
 Winans, B. F. Edinburg, Ill.—No pastorate

Ordained, 15; licentiates, 3. Died since last report, John Lee.

#### CHURCH, PASTOR, VALUE, MEMBERS, CLERK. (See p. 100)

Antioch—No pastor  
 \$1,000. 17—John Sluiver, Smithfield, Ill.  
 Christina—Jacob Crawford, Lewistown, Ill  
 \$1,200. 38—Anna Bolender, Lewistown, Ill  
 Fiatt—R W Pittman, Fiatt, Ill  
 \$2,200. 52—A Morris, Fiatt, Ill  
 Franklin—No pastor  
 \$ 700. 22—M H Mitchell, Ellisville, Ill

*Industry*—R Ashby, Industry, Ill  
 \$2,500. 77—John Kinkade, Industry, Ill  
*Lewistown*—Jacob Crawford, Lewistown, Ill  
 \$1,200. 185—C S Martindale, Lewistown, Ill  
*Maricotta*—R W Pittman, Fiatt, Ill  
 \$ 800. 42—D S Ray, Maricotta, Ill  
*Mound Chapel*—No pastor  
 \$1,200. 30—Charlie Thomas, Havana, Ill  
*Mt Pleasant*—C S Martindale, Lewistown, Ill  
 \$ 800. 19—B F Bolan, Smithfield, Ill  
*Olive*—R W Pittman, Fiatt, Ill  
 \$1,500. 127—J M Hendricks, Avon, Ill  
*Ontario*—G A Brown (N Ill & Wis), Ashton, Ill  
 \$1,500. 50—J H Newman, Nekoma, Ill  
*Poe*—No pastor  
 \$ 000. 30—J F Williams, Damon, Ill  
 SALEM—No pastor  
 \$1,200. 25—H N Ross, Roseville, Ill  
*Shank*—No pastor  
 \$ 000. 35—J H Long, Clayton, Ill  
*Temple*—No pastor  
 \$1,200. 50—C A Carlson, Tablegrove, Ill  
*Waterford*—Geo W Irons, Bernadotte, Ill  
 \$1,000. 63—James Hardin, Sepo, Ill  
 16 churches—town, 4; country, 12. Preaching,  
 half time, 5; once per month, 4; no pastor, 7. Totals  
 —valuation, \$18,000; membership, 862. Endeavor so-  
 cieties, 4; Sunday schools, 15.

## Northern Illinois and Wisconsin Conference.

(Reported by Secretary Sanford.)

*Territory*—Extends from Lake Michigan to the Mississippi River, Northern boundary including counties of Racine, Walworth, Rock, Green, and a part of Grant, all in Wisconsin. Southern boundary includes all north of Henry, Bureau, and LaSalle counties, Ill., and to the point where the Illinois River crosses the eastern boundary of Grundy Co., thence east to the eastern boundary of Illinois.

Next session, at Leaf River, Ill., —, 1899.

*President*, Rev. G. A. Brown, Ashton, Ill.; *Vice-President*, Rev. M. G. Collins, Austin, Ill.; *Secretary*, W. L. Sanford, Chana, Ill.; *Treasurer*, John Piper, Freeport, Ill.

### MINISTERS, ADDRESSES, PASTORATES.

Best, Wm, Chicago, Ill—No pastorate  
 Brown, G A, Ashton Ill—Ontario (W Ill)  
 Clark, A H, Kingston, Ill—Superannuated  
 Collins, M G, Austin, Ill—Superannuated  
 Rolph, F B, Taylor, Ill—Superannuated  
 Strickland, F G, Chicago, Ill—Union Church (Conf?)  
 Wright, J R, Leaf River, Ill—Leaf River—North Grove

Ordained, 7. Died since last report, J. S. Hanger.

### CHURCH, PASTOR, VALUE, MEMBERS, CLERK. (See p. 100)

*Capron*—W W Riley (Osage), Capron, Ill  
 \$3,000. 46—Robert Ridge, Capron, Ill  
*Leaf River*—J R Wright, Leaf River, Ill  
 \$2,000. 51—J D Palmer, Leaf River, Ill  
*North Grove*—J R Wright, Leaf River, Ill  
 \$1,300. 59—C F Allen, Leaf River, Ill  
*Washington Grove*—W E Stockley (U Ia), Ashton, Ill  
 \$2,500. 115—W L Sanford, Chana, Ill

4 churches—town, 2; country, 2. Preaching, half time, 4. Totals—valuation, \$8,800; membership, 271. Endeavor societies, 2; Sunday schools, 4.

## Western Michigan and Northern Indiana.

(Reported by Secretary Almack.)

*Territory*—Comprises Cass, Van Buren, St. Joseph, Kalamazoo, Allegan, Barry, Ottawa, Mason, and adjoining counties in Michigan, and Laporte and St. Joseph in Indiana.

Next session, at Royalton, Mich., Oct. 6, 1899.

*President*, Myron Fish, Benton Harbor, Mich.; *Vice-President*, Rev. O. P. Miller, Cassopolis, Mich.; *Secretary*, O. S. Almack, Hoppertown, Mich.; *Treasurer*, John Ross, Hollywood, Mich.



REV. JACOB CRAWFORD, LEWISTOWN, ILLS.  
 Western Illinois Conference.

### MINISTERS, ADDRESSES, PASTORATES.

Cunningham, S C V, New Carlisle, Ind—Superan.  
 Davis, R, Marcellus, Mich—Olive Chapel  
 Miller, O P, Cassopolis, Mich—Coloma.  
 Myers, George, Carlton Center, Mich—No pastorate  
 Remington, G J, Bravo, Mich—No pastorate [River  
 Stewart, F E, Bachelor, Mich—Lake View—Lincoln  
 Terwilligar, D, New Bluffton, Mich—Superannuated  
 Vanhoesen, Peter, Bachelor, Mich—First Christian  
 Church—Talman  
 Webster, T S, Rolling Prairie, Ind—No pastorate  
 Willis, A W, Coloma, Mich—Lee Chapel, Royalton  
 Ordained, 10.

### CHURCH, PASTOR, VALUE, MEMBERS, CLERK. (See p. 100)

*Coloma*—O P Miller, Cassopolis, Mich  
 \$1,000. 101—Mrs C L Huntoon, Coloma, Mich  
 First Christian Church (Mason Co)—Peter Vanhoes-  
 sen, Bachelor, Mich  
 \$ 000. 30—Daniel Lapham, Bachelor, Mich  
 FRANKLIN—No pastor  
 \$1,000. 20—No clerk reported  
 GALENA—No pastor  
 \$1,400. 25—No clerk reported  
 JEFFERSON—No pastor  
 \$ 500. 25—No clerk reported [Bachelor, Mich  
 Lakeview (First Christian Church)—F E Stewart,  
 \$ 000. 25—No clerk reported  
*Lee Chapel*—A W Willis, Coloma, Mich  
 \$1,200. 69—Mrs Phoebe Carmon, Avis, Mich  
 Lincoln River—F E Stewart, Bachelor, Mich  
 \$ 000. 25—No clerk reported  
*Olive Chapel*—R Davis, Marcellus, Mich  
 \$1,100. 63—Ernest Moditt, New Carlisle, Ind  
*Royalton*—A W Willis, Coloma, Mich  
 \$ 000. 30—Cybia Curtis, St Joe, Mich  
 Talman—Peter Vanhoesen, Bachelor, Mich  
 \$ 000. 12—F F Bates, Bachelor, Mich

11 churches—town, 1; country, 10. Preaching,  
 half time, 8; no pastor, 3. Totals—valuation, \$6,500;  
 membership, 431. Endeavor societies, 4; Sunday  
 schools, 8.



REV. D. E. MILLARD, PORTLAND, MICHIGAN.  
Michigan Conference.

### Michigan Conference.

(Reported by Secretary Mudge.)

*Territory*—Designed to include the State.  
*Next session* (place and date not reported).  
*President*, Rev. J. A. Young, Romeo, Mich.; *Vice-President*, Rev. P. W. McReynolds, Marshall, Mich.;  
*Secretary*, Rev. E. Mudge, Maple Rapids, Mich.;  
*Treasurer*, Isaac Hewitt, Maple Rapids, Mich.

#### MINISTERS, ADDRESSES, PASTORATES.

Adams, F H, Kalamazoo, Mich—Superannuated  
\*Bennett, S W, Lexington, Mich—Lexington  
Clark, Harry, Hillsdale, Mich—No pastorate  
Davis, R, Marcellus, Mich—No pastorate  
Deyo, C I, Britton, Mich—Britton  
Fowler, S M, Kalamazoo, Mich—Superannuated  
\*Hamilton, John, Lapeer, Mich—No pastorate  
\*Hayward, H, Lexington, Mich—Superannuated  
Henry, A N, Ontario, Can—No pastorate [(Conf ?)  
Holmes, Thomas, Chelsea, Mich—Sylvan Center  
Hudson, J A, Oakland, Cal—No pastorate  
Linscott, Thos, Sparta, O—Superannuated  
Long, R H, Maple Rapids, Mich—Greenbush—Maple  
Rapids—Middletown  
McGeorge, S, Howard, Mich—No pastorate  
McReynolds, P W, Marshall, Mich—Marshall  
Millard, D E, Portland, Mich—No pastorate [ary  
Mudge, E, Maple Rapids, Mich—Conference Mission-  
Rapp, B F, Columbus Grove, O—Superannuated  
Roof, Nathan, Ashley, Mich—Superannuated  
Root, V S, Tustin, Mich—No pastorate  
Ryker, P L, Maple Rapids, Mich—No pastorate  
Simpson, P H, Battlereck, Mich—Superannuated  
Snyder, S, Oxford, Mich—Thornville  
\*Soule, John C, Romeo, Mich—No pastorate  
\*Wilson, Wm, Port Huron, Mich—No pastorate  
Young, J A, Romeo, Mich—Ray Union—Romeo  
Ordained, 25; licentiate, 1. Died since last report,  
Lyman Allen.

#### CHURCH, PASTOR, VALUE, MEMBERS, CLERK. (See p.100)

Adams—No pastor  
\$1,200. 30—Lafayette Post, Hillsdale, Mich  
Britton—C I Deyo, Britton, Mich  
\$5,000. 100—Estella Smith, Britton, Mich  
Greenbush—R H Long, Maple Rapids, Mich  
\$1,500. 100—Fanny Remaylyoc, Enreka, Mich  
\*Lexington—S W Bennett, Lexington, Mich  
\$ 300. 26—J J Boyd, Lexington, Mich



REV. C. I. DEVO, BRITTON, MICHIGAN.  
Michigan Conference.

Maple Rapids—R H Long, Maple Rapids, Mich  
\$3,000. 112—M S Moss, Maple Rapids, Mich  
Marshall—P W McReynolds, Marshall, Mich  
\$4,000. 300—H G Brooks, Marshall, Mich  
Middletown—R H Long, Maple Rapids, Mich  
\$3,300. 48—J H Zion, Middletown, Mich  
OXFORD—No pastor  
\$2,000. 25—No clerk reported  
PERRINTON—No pastor  
\$1,500. 20—Ida Penfield, Perrinton, Mich  
Ray Union—J A Young, Romeo, Mich  
\$1,500. 60—A G Bottomly, Romeo, Mich [Mich  
\*Richfield—Wesley Schlister (Conf ?), Brown City,  
\$1,000. 21—A A Skinner, Davison, Mich  
\*Romeo—J A Young, Romeo, Mich  
12,000. 50—John C Soule, Romeo, Mich  
\*THORNVILLE—S Snyder, Oxford, Mich  
\$ 500. 50—Sewell Sleeper, Thornville, Mich  
Vergennes—No pastor  
\$ 600. 25—Alice Brown, Lowell, Mich  
14 churches—town, 9; country, 5. Preaching, full  
time, 6; half time, 1; once per month, 3; no pastor,  
4. Totals—valuation, \$37,400; membership, 967; Endeavor  
societies, 8; Sunday schools, 11.  
Ministers and churches marked (\*), belong to  
Michigan Eastern Conference.  
NOTE—Next session of Michigan Eastern Confer-  
ence at Romeo, Mich., June —, 1899.

#### Recapitulation—Indiana, Illinois, with Michigan.

(Last Year)

Ministers, 390; ordained, 342; licentiates, 48. 383  
churches—town, 123; country, 260. Preaching, full  
time, 27; half time, 71; once per month, 238; no pas-  
tor, 57. Valuation, \$472,775; average valuation,  
\$1,212. Membership, 32,356; average membership,  
\$1. Endeavor societies, 124; no Endeavor, 259. Sun-  
day schools, 355; no Sunday school, 28.

#### Recapitulation—Indiana, Illinois, with Michigan.

(This Year)

Ministers, 389; ordained, 342; licentiates, 47. 389  
churches—town, 127; country, 262. Preaching, full  
time, 17; half time, 70; once per month, 238; no pas-  
tor, 64. Valuation, \$476,530; average valuation,  
\$1,225. Membership, 32,482; average membership,  
\$1. Endeavor societies, 100; no Endeavor, 289. Sun-  
day schools, 350; no Sunday school, 39.

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PALMER COLLEGE—PRESIDENT HELFINSTINE'S BIBLE CLASS.

1. W. T. Emley, LeGrand, Ia. 2. John A. Stover, Madrid, Ia. 3. Jesse C. Grafton, Camden, Ills.  
 4. Robert Boyce, LeGrand, Ia. 5. Albert O. Broyles, Barnes, Ia. 6. Frank M. Shankling, Holiday, Ia.  
 7. Enoch C. Lee, Murray, Ia. 8. Frank G. Coffin, Clemons, Ia. 9. Rev. D. M. Helfinstine, A.M., President  
 Palmer College. 10. W. C. Wadding, Barnes, Ia. 11. George C. Welker, LeGrand, Ia.

PALMER COLLEGE, LEGRAND, IOWA.

This Institution of Learning, formerly known as LeGrand Christian College, has been a great help to our common cause here in the West. God has placed his seal upon the work done. He has answered prayer and given it a true friend in the person of Hon. F. A. Palmer, in whose honor the college is now named. This school seeks to prepare young men and young women for life's responsibilities by developing their physical, mental and moral natures. Students can be accommodated with studies in Classical, Scientific, Normal, Commercial, Biblical, Elocutionary, Music, and Art Courses. School opens in September, closes in June. Expenses low. Instruction thorough and practical.

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D. M. HELFINSTINE, PRES.

Iowa State Conference.

(Reported by Secretary Smith.)

Next session, at LeGrand, Ia., about June 1, 1899.  
 President, H. P. Clemons, Clemons, Ia.; Vice-President, Rev. J. W. Ackley, Madrid, Ia.; Secretary, Rev. W. C. Smith, Albion, Ia.; Treasurer, E. B. Frost, Marshalltown, Ia. Department Secretaries—Christian Endeavor, Carrie V. Lynn; Education, George Dalzell, LeGrand, Ia.; Sunday Schools, Rev. A. R. Bosworth, LeGrand, Ia.; Missions, George Milne, LeGrand, Ia. Conference Trustees—Rev. A.

C. Burnham, Linden, Ia.; Frank Pratt, LeGrand, Ia. College Trustees—Elected at last session, Frank Coffin, Clemons, Ia.; David Inman, LeGrand, Ia.; S. A. Allen, Forest Home, Ia.; J. T. Lynn, Creston, Ia. Dr. T. M. McWhinney, A. M. Bengoe, and H. P. Clemons, were elected one year ago for three years, and as such still remain trustees for two more years. Extension Society—President, Rev. J. W. Ackley, Madrid, Ia.; Vice-President, Rev. J. W. Piper, LeGrand, Ia.; Secretary, Rev. W. C. Smith, Albion, Ia.; Corresponding Secretary, Rev. George Dalzell, LeGrand, Ia.; Treasurer, Rev. Frank Coffin, LeGrand, Ia.

## Southwestern Iowa Conference.

(Reported by Secretary Walters.)

*Territory*—Southwestern Iowa and contiguous territory in Missouri and Nebraska.

Next session, at Shiloh Church, September 13, 1899.

*President*, Rev. Z. M. Wright, Griswold, Ia.; *Secretary*, Rev. N. Walters, Griswold, Ia.; *Treasurer*, Rev. R. A. Lewis, Linden, Ia.

### MINISTERS, ADDRESSES, PASTORATES.

Ackley, J. W., Madrid, Ia.—Madrid [Grove  
Amos, J. E., Hamburg, Ia.—Lone Chapel—Wheeler  
Bishop, L. C., Atlantic, Ia.—Superannuated  
*Bogart*, Eli M., Rockport, Mo.—No pastorate  
*Booher*, Henry—No pastorate  
*Bradley*, G. W.—No pastorate  
Burnham, A. C., Linden, Ia.—Coon Valley—Franklin  
School House—Shiloh—Victory Union  
Denton, J. B., Wheeler, Ia.—Conference evangelist  
Diltz, T. C., Brownville, Neb.—No pastorate  
Gettys, J. D., Fontanelle, Ia.—Superannuated  
Goodwin, C. W., Morrill, Kan.—Evangelistic work  
Irons, M. F., Paltmarge, Ia.—No pastorate  
James, Mrs. A. R., Alcott, Colo.—No pastorate  
Jellison, P. W., Winterset, Ia.—Superannuated  
Jones, J. Q., Griswold, Ia.—No pastorate  
Lewis, R. A., Linden, Ia.—Fairview (Adair Co)—Loucks  
Grove—Pleasant Hill (Dallas Co)—Union Chap-  
McFarland, J. H., Rockport, Mo.—No pastorate [cl.  
*McMullen*, Stuart, Linden, Ia.—No pastorate  
Moore, J. L., Griswold, Ia.—Superannuated  
Renslow, Elmer, Fansler, Ia.—No pastorate  
Smith, Amos, Panorama, Ia.—No pastorate  
Smith, Samuel, Lewis, Ia.—Superannuated  
Storrs, N. C., Winterset, Ia.—Evangelist  
Wallace, Maggie, Griswold, Ia.—Iranistan—Rock-  
port—Tarkio Valley—Pleasant Hill  
Walters, N., Griswold, Ia.—No pastorate  
Wright, Z. M., Griswold, Ia.—Supplying

Ordained, 22; licentiates, 4.

### CHURCH, PASTOR, VALUE, MEMBERS, CLERK. (Seep. 100)

Coon Valley—A. C. Burnham, Linden, Ia  
\$ 000. 32—J. W. Bryan, Panorama, Ia  
Fairview (Adair Co)—R. A. Lewis, Linden, Ia  
\$1,000. 99—Mary E. Ford, Stuart, Ia  
Fairview (Taylor Co)—No pastor  
\$1,100. 66—D. W. Herring, Leonard, Ia  
Franklin School House—A. C. Burnham, Linden, Ia  
\$ 000. 39—A. W. Randal, Dale City, Ia  
*Griswold*—Albert Godley (C Ia), Le Grand, Ia  
\$1,500. 147—Wm. L. Dean, Griswold, Ia  
Hillsdale—No pastor  
\$ 000. 25—Daniel Matney, St. Deroin, Neb  
Iranistan—Maggie Wallace, Griswold, Ia  
\$1,500. 62—Fred H. Franklin, Lewis, Ia  
Lincoln School House—No pastor  
\$ 000. 26—Emanuel Hawk, Nishnabotna, Mo  
*Linden*—J. C. Grafton (C Ia), Le Grand, Ia  
\$1,600. 113—C. R. Johnson, Linden, Ia  
Lone Chapel—J. E. Amos, Hamburg, Ia  
\$ 700. 50—J. B. Zuck, Hamburg, Ia  
*Loucks Grove*—R. A. Lewis, Linden, Ia  
\$1,800. 73—Hannah Loucks, Stuart, Ia  
*Madrid*—J. W. Ackley, Madrid, Ia  
\$1,200. 232—Geo. E. Hutton, Madrid, Ia  
*Pleasant Hill*—Maggie Wallace, Griswold, Ia  
\$ 200. 55—W. R. M. Burris, Imogene, Ia  
*Pleasant Hill* (Dallas Co)—R. A. Lewis, Linden, Ia  
\$ 000. 63—W. H. Schlosser, Dallas Center, Ia  
PLEASANT VALLEY—No pastor  
\$ 000. 62—Geo. Triplett, Henderson, Ia  
*Rockport*—Maggie Wallace, Griswold, Ia  
\$ 000. 11—T. J. Davis, Rockport, Mo  
*Shiloh*—A. C. Burnham, Linden, Ia  
\$1,000. 103—A. M. Webb, Greenvale, Ia  
Tarkio Valley—Maggie Wallace, Griswold, Ia  
\$ 600. 57—E. Fry Mapes, Fairfax, Mo  
Union Chapel—R. A. Lewis, Linden, Ia  
\$1,000. 124—Ella Lower, Redfield, Ia  
Union School House—No pastor  
\$ 000. 10—Charles Madison, Carl, Ia  
Victory Union—A. C. Burnham, Linden, Ia  
\$1,200. 86—J. E. Ball, Guthrie Center, Ia



REV. ALBERT GODLEY, LEGRAND, IOWA.  
Central Iowa Conference.

Wheeler Grove—J. E. Amos, Hamburg, Ia  
\$2,500. 231—John Knox, Wheeler, Ia

22 churches—town, 4; country, 18. Preaching, full  
time, 1; half time, 16; no pastor, 5. Totals—valuation,  
\$16,900; membership, 1,766. Endeavor societies,  
4; Sunday schools, 20.

## Central Iowa Conference.

(Reported by Secretary Hanson.)

*Territory*—Comprises central part of Iowa; no  
fixed boundaries or limits.

Next session, before fall opening of Palmer College.

*President*, Rev. J. W. Piper, LeGrand, Iowa; *Vice-President*, A. H. Welker, LeGrand, Iowa; *Secretary*, A. M. Hanson, Ferguson, Iowa; *Treasurer*,  
Bertha Frost, Marshalltown, Iowa.

### MINISTERS, ADDRESSES, PASTORATES.

Bennett, E. E., Lake City, Ia.—Lake City (Conf?)  
Black, W. A., 919 Grove St., Des Moines, Ia.—Des Moines  
*Broyles*, A. O., Barnes, Ia.—No pastorate  
Burdine, Hugh, Barnes, Ia.—No pastorate [(U Ia)  
Burdine, Wm., Barnes, Ia.—Forest Home, Ebenezer  
Cotlin, F. G., Clemons, Ia.—Clemons Grove  
Dalzell, George, LeGrand, Ia.—(Prof. Palmer College)  
Dolby, Aaron, Barnes, Ia.—Superannuated  
Furnas, James, Marshalltown, Ia.—No pastorate  
Furnas, Rebecca, Marshalltown, Ia.—No pastorate  
Godley, A. LeGrand, Ia.—Griswold (So W I)  
Grafton, J. C., LeGrand, Ia.—Linden (So W I)  
*Hues*, W. C., Marshalltown, Ia.—No pastorate  
Milne, George, Orient, Ia.—Hill of Zion—Pleasant  
Ridge—Pleasant Valley (Des Moines)  
*Milne*, Wm., LeGrand, Ia.—Shiloh (U Ia)  
Myers, Joel, Leaf River, Ill.—(Ill. State Evangelist)  
Piper, J. W., LeGrand, Ia.—Sugar Creek (Conf?)  
Potter, Nathan, Olin, Ia.—No pastorate  
Smith, W. C., Albion, Ia.—No pastorate  
Terrell, Melissa, Perham, Minn.—No pastorate  
Thompson, D. W., Albion, Ia.—Barnes City  
Welker, Geo., LeGrand, Ia.—U. S. Army (Musician)  
Ordained, 18; licentiates, 4.

CHURCH, PASTOR, VALUE, MEMBERS, CLERK. (See p. 100)

*Barnes City*—D W Thompson, Albion, Ia \$3,500. 124—Jennie Reed, Barnes, Ia  
*Bethel*—E C Lee (Des Moines), LeGrand, Ia \$ 700. 92—Henry Neff, Albion, Ia  
*Clemons Grove*—F G Collin, Clemons, Ia \$1,000. 116—J E Gaunt, Clemons, Ia  
*Dakota City*—No pastor \$ 000 29—Mrs P J Kendall, Dakota City, Ia  
*Des Moines*—W A Black, 919 Grove St, Des Moines, Ia \$ 000. 36—No clerk reported.  
*Fairview*—D M Helfinstine (U Ia), LeGrand, Ia \$1,000. 55—James Horrigan, Haven, Ia  
*Ferguson*—Robert Boyce (U Ia), LeGrand, Ia \$1,700. 112—Mrs Seth Smith, Ferguson, Ia  
*Forest Home*—Wm Burdine, Forest Home, Ia \$ 600. 81—Mrs Manta Farmer, Forest Home, Ia  
*LeGrand*—A R Bosworth (E Ind), LeGrand, Ia \$1,500. 197—Alva H Welker, LeGrand, Ia

9 churches—town, 6; country, 3. Preaching, full time, 3; half time, 5; no pastor, 1. Totals—valuation, \$10,000; membership, 872. Endeavor societies, 6; Sunday schools, 9.

**Union (Iowa) Conference.**

(Reported by Secretary Helfinstine.)

*Territory*—Comprises Keokuk, Washington, Muscatine, Louisa, Des Moines, Henry, Jefferson, Wapello, Davis, VanBuren, and Lee counties, Iowa and Knox County, Missouri.

Next session, at Shiloh Church, —, 1899.

*President*, Rev. George B. Phillips, Fairfield, Ia.; *Vice-President*, Rev. Charles Coop, Perlee, Ia.; *Secretary*, Rev. D. M. Helfinstine, LeGrand, Ia.

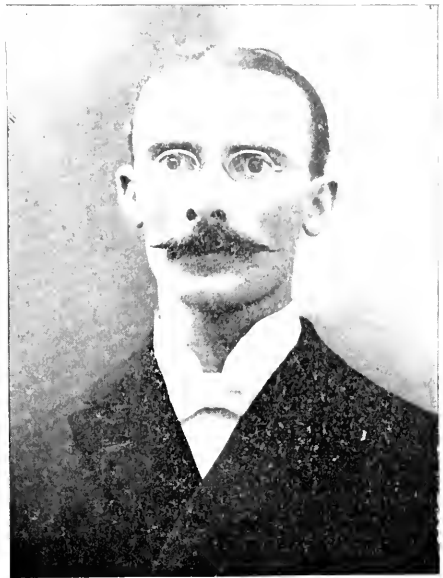
MINISTERS, ADDRESSES, PASTORATES.

Boyce, Robert, LeGrand, Ia—Ferguson (Cen Ia)  
*Coder*, Chester, Letts, Ia—No pastorate  
*Coop*, Charles, Perlee, Ia—No pastorate  
*Fordyce*, Lewis, Libertyville, Ia—Superannuated  
*Hawk*, Charles E, Martinsburg, Ia—Teacher  
*Hawk*, Edward I, Martinsburg, Ia—In college  
*Helfinstine*, D M, LeGrand, Ia—Fairview (Cen Ia)  
*Hutton*, David S, Martinsburg, Ia—Farmer  
*McDonald*, Charles W, Perlee, Ia—Superannuated  
*Phillips*, George B, Fairfield, Ia—Pleasant Point  
*Sage*, Edward W, Washington, Ia—No pastorate  
*Stockley*, W Ernest, Ashton, Ill—Washington Grove (N Ills & Wis)  
 Ordained, 10; licentiates, 2.

CHURCH, PASTOR, VALUE, MEMBERS, CLERK. (See p. 100)

*Antioch*—Alonzo Thomas (N Mo), Eldon, Ia \$1,400. 84—Albert Coop, Perlee, Ia  
*Bethlehem*—Alonzo Thomas (N Mo), Eldon, Ia \$1,600. 171—Harmon Fite, Eldon, Ia  
*Ebenezer*—William Burdine (C Ia), Barnes City, Ia \$1,200. 72—Asa S Fry, Fairfield, Ia  
*Hopewell*—No pastor \$ 600. 30—Elijah Hawk, Martinsburg, Ia  
*Oak Grove*—William T Emley, LeGrand, Ia (C Ia) \$1,800. 65—George Hankins, Myrtle, Ia  
*Oakland*—William T Emley (Conf?), LeGrand, Ia \$ 800. 30—Mrs J A Davis, Conesville, Ia  
*Pleasant Point*—George B Phillips, Fairfield, Ia \$ 000. 15—G W Laird, Oakland Mills, Ia  
*Pleasant Ridge* (Mo)—No pastor \$1,000. 88—Thomas Slocum, Greensburg, Ia  
*Sandusky*—No pastor \$ 800. 66—Miss Altha E Denmire, Sandusky, Ia  
*Shiloh*—Wm Milne (C Ia), LeGrand, Ia \$ 800. 66—David S Neiswonger, Washington, Ia

10 churches—town, 1; country, 9. Preaching, half time, 4; once per month, 3; no pastor, 3. Totals—valuation, \$10,000; membership, 657. Endeavor societies, 4; Sunday schools, 10.



REV. W. ERNEST STOCKLEY, ASHTON, ILLS.  
 Union (Iowa) Conference.

**Des Moines (Iowa) Conference.**

(Reported by Secretary Neville.)

*Territory*—Comprises counties of Dallas, Polk, Madison, Boone, Story, Warren, Adair, Union, Ringgold, Decatur, Clark, Lucas, Marion, Monroe, Appanoose, and Wayne.

Next session, at Peru, Ia., September 8, 1899.

*President*, David Abbott, Thayer, Ia.; *Vice-President*, Rev. J. L. Towner, Corning, Ia.; *Secretary*, Thos. W. Neville, Orient, Ia.; *Treasurer*, Lee Cregar, Truro, Ia.

MINISTERS, ADDRESSES, PASTORATES.

Bagley, Wm, Des Moines, Ia—No pastorate  
*Carter*, G H, Osceola, Ia—No pastorate  
*Case*, F F, Winterset, Ia—No pastorate  
*Creeger*, J H, Peru, Ia—No pastorate  
*Elwell*, J O, Afton, Ia—Mt Zion  
*Follansbee*, L E, Winterset, Ia—Peru—Truro—Winterset. Horton (Conf?)  
*Garrett*, E E, New Kirk, Okla—No pastorate  
*Lamb*, Jehu, Clarkson, Ia—Greencastle  
*Lamb*, N E, Clarkson, Ia—Greencastle  
*Lee*, E C, Le Grand, Ia—Bethel (C Ia)  
*Lockwood*, Samuel, Osceola, Ia—No pastorate  
*McCoy*, C A, 1021 W Locust St, Des Moines, Ia—No pastorate  
*Miller*, M B, Madrid, Ia—No pastorate  
*Moditt*, S, Afton, Ia—No pastorate [River  
*Myers*, B F, Osceola, Ia—First Otter Creek—North  
*Reed*, John D, Thayer, Ia—No pastorate  
*Towner*, J L, Corning, Ia—No pastorate  
*Young*, Charles H, Truro, Ia—No pastorate  
 Ordained, 17; licentiates, 1. Died since last report, Aaron Dye, C. B. Lamb.



CHURCH, PASTOR, VALUE, MEMBERS, CLERK. (Seep.100)

Christian Union No 112—No pastor  
 \$ 000. 30—E V Haines, Ellston, Ia  
 County Line—No pastor  
 \$ 000. 29—E V Haines, Ellston, Ia  
 First Otter Creek—B F Myers, Osceola, Ia  
 \$1,200. 55—William J Barger, Liberty Corner, Ia  
 Greencastle—N E and Jehu Lamb, Clarkson, Ia  
 \$ 000. 25—N E Lamb, Clarkson, Ia  
 Hill of Zion—Geo Milne (C Ia), Orient, Ia  
 \$1,500. 204—A S Lynn, Orient, Ia  
 Hopeville—No pastor  
 \$1,000. 92—Mrs M F Johnson, Hopeville, Ia  
 Mt Zion—J O Elwell, Afton, Ia  
 \$ 800. 64—J F Clawson, Westerville, Ia  
 North River—B F Myers, Osceola, Ia  
 \$1,200. 47—Washington Dey, Spring Hill, Ia  
 Peru—L E Follansbee, Winterset, Ia  
 \$ 800. 100—L P Hiatt, East Peru, Ia  
 Pleasant Ridge—Geo Milne (C Ia), Orient, Ia  
 \$1,100. 50—J Caldwell, Afton, Ia  
 Pleasant Valley—Geo Milne (C Ia), Orient, Ia  
 \$1,200. 75—David Abbott, Thayer, Ia  
 Thayer—No pastor  
 \$ 600. 18—S S Morrow, Thayer, Ia  
 Truro—L E Follansbee, Winterset, Ia  
 \$1,400. 140—Callie Peck, Truro, Ia  
 Winterset—L E Follansbee, Winterset, Ia  
 \$6,500. 197—Louie Haines, Winterset, Ia

14 churches—town, 4; country, 10. Preaching, half  
 time, 7; once per month, 4; no pastor, 3. Totals—  
 valuation, \$17,300; membership, 1,126. Endeavor soci-  
 eties, 5; Sunday schools, 14.

**Richland Union Conference.**

(Reported by Secretary McNees.)

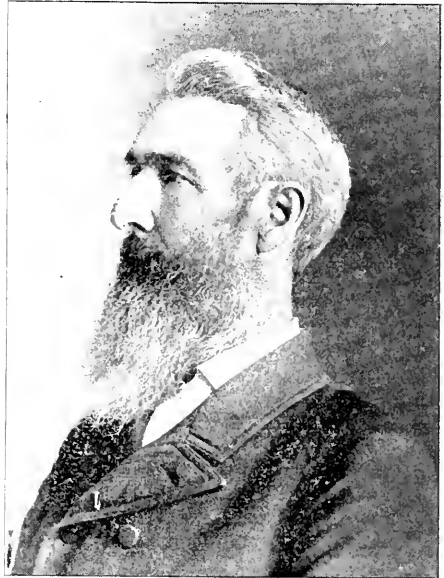
*Territory*—Richland, Vernon, Monroe, and Craw-  
 ford counties, and Woodland, Sauk County, Wis.  
 Next session, at Pine River, Wis., Oct. —, 1899.  
*President*, Rev. Martin Buroker, Sylvan, Wis.;  
*Vice-President*, Rev. Geo. W. Jones, Ithaca, Wis.;  
*Secretary*, Rev. J. H. McNees, Richland Center,  
 Wis.; *Treasurer*, J. D. Jones, Excelsior, Wis.

MINISTERS, ADDRESSES, PASTORATES.

Buroker, Martin, Sylvan, Wis—No pastorate  
 Elson, Peter, Ithaca, Wis—No pastorate  
 Elder, Wm A, Sylvan, Wis—Dayton  
 Fisher, E. W., Soldiers Grove, Wis—West Lima  
 Garner, H., Lafarge, Wis—Lebanon—Maple Ridge—  
 Smith Valley  
 Haskins, Edward, Excelsior, Wis—Pleasant Ridge  
 Jones, G. W., Ithaca, Wis—Beaver Valley  
 Mark, Jacob, Richland Center, Wis—Richland Center  
 McNees, J. H., Richland Center, Wis—Excelsior  
 Union—Kickapoo Center—Mound Park—Sand  
 Prairie  
 Morris, D. E., Richland Center, Wis—No pastorate  
 Poff, C. M., Viola, Wis—Superannuated  
 Rodgers, Martin, West Lima, Wis—Pine River  
 Smith, Ephraim, Viola, Wis—No pastorate  
 Stetler, J. S., Viola, Wis—No pastorate  
 Stone, J. A., Rockton, Wis—No pastorate  
 Ordained, 13; licentiates, 2.

CHURCH, PASTOR, VALUE, MEMBERS, CLERK. (Seep.100)

Beaver Valley—G W Jones, Ithaca, Wis  
 \$ 200. 20—Belle Ammerman, Dayton, Wis  
 Dayton—Wm A Elder, Sylvan, Wis [Wis  
 \$ 100. 10—Amelia Stanbaugh, Richland Center,  
 Excelsior Union—J H McNees, Richland Center, Wis  
 \$ 100. 93—Ica Turk, Excelsior, Wis  
 Harmony—No pastor  
 \$ 000. 44—Margaret Felton, Boaz, Wis  
 Kickapoo Center—J H McNees, Richland Center, Wis  
 \$ 000. 33—Mary Bond, Viola, Wis  
 Lebanon—Henry Garner, Lafarge, Wis  
 \$ 000. 20—C H Rinehart, Gays Mills, Wis  
 Maple Ridge—Henry Garner, Lafarge, Wis  
 \$ 200. 56—Ila Dempsey, Rockton, Wis  
 Mound Park—J H McNees, Richland Center, Wis  
 \$ 000. 21—Sarah Slutt, Viola, Wis  
 Pine River—Martin Rodgers, West Lima, Wis  
 \$ 500. 15—Geo Seely, West Lima, Wis  
 Pleasant Ridge—Edward Haskins, Excelsior, Wis  
 \$ 500. 65—H O Walker, Sylvan, Wis



REV. JACOB MARK, RICHLAND CENTER, WIS.  
 Richland Union Conference.

Pleasant Valley—No pastor  
 \$ 350. 49—Alta Ferguson, Eagle Corners, Wis  
 Plum Valley—No pastor  
 \$ 000. 7—J M V Sloniker, Wonewoc, Wis [Wis  
 RICHLAND CENTER—Jacob Mark, Richland Center,  
 \$ 000. 33—J H McNees, Richland Center, Wis  
 Sand Prairie—J H McNees, Richland Center, Wis  
 \$ 500. 65—O R Dyer, West Port, Wis  
 Smith Valley—Henry Garner, Lafarge Wis  
 \$ 400. 16—Wm Snyder, Loyd, Wis  
 West Lima—E W Fisher, Soldiers Grove, Wis  
 \$ 500. 60—Marion Beatty, West Lima, Wis  
 West Willow—No pastor  
 \$ 000. 24—Mary Jones, Ithaca, Wis

17 churches—town, 4; country, 13. Preaching, half  
 time, 10; once per month, 3; no pastor, 4. Totals—  
 valuation, \$3,350; membership, 664. Endeavor soci-  
 eties, 2; Sunday schools, 16.

**Northern Wisconsin Conference.**

(Reported by Secretary Polley.)

*Territory*—Originally it included all of the State  
 lying north of the row of counties along the south-  
 ern border of the State. It comprises the same now,  
 except the counties of Richland, Vernon, Monroe,  
 Crawford, and part of Sauk County.  
 Next session, at Stevens Point, Wis., June 9, 1899.  
*President*, Rev. Wm. Stewart, Sugarbush, Wis.;  
*Secretary*, Rev. H. E. Polley, Junction City, Wis.

MINISTERS, ADDRESSES, PASTORATES.

Bain, Colin, Stevens Point, Wis—Stevens Point—Mc-  
 Clancy, C H, Stoughton, Wis—No pastorate [Dill  
 Dawson, N., Downing, Wis—Downing  
 Dearholt, John, Reedsburg, Wis—Superannuated  
 Fish, A., Osage, Ia—Superannuated [ners (Conf?)  
 Noble, J W, St Cloud, Wis—Greenbush—Union Cor-  
 pelley, H E, Junction City, Wis—Principal of Pub-  
 lic School  
 Shumway, Wm, Reedsburg, Wis—Superannuated  
 Stewart, Wm, Sugarbush, Wis—Maplecreek—Muckwa  
 Ordained, 9.





REV. H. E. POLLEY, JUNCTION CITY, WIS.  
Northern Wisconsin Conference.



REV. F. D. HUTTON, MONTESANO, WASH.  
Western Washington Conference.

CHURCH, PASTOR, VALUE, MEMBERS, CLERK. (See p.100)

Downing—N Dawson, Downing, Wis  
\$ 300. 15—No clerk reported  
Greenbush—J W Noble, St Cloud, Wis  
\$1,000 22—C A Winn, Greenbush, Wis  
Maple Creek—Wm Steuart, Sugarbush, Wis  
\$1,000. 20—Daisy Hutchinson, Sugarbush, Wis  
Muckwa—Wm Steuart, Sugarbush, Wis  
\$ 500. 20—Samuel Cotrell, New London, Wis  
STEVENS POINT—Colin Bain, Stevens Point, Wis  
\$ 000. 18—Mrs Edgar King, Stevens Point, Wis  
Wautoma—No pastor  
\$ 200. 5—Josiah Ethridge, Wildrose, Wis  
6 churches—town, 1; country, 5. Preaching, full  
time, 5; no pastor. 1. Totals—valuation, \$3,000;  
membership, 100. Endeavor societies, 1; Sunday  
schools, 5.

**Western Washington Conference.**

(Reported by Secretary Fry.)

*Territory*—Comprises the State.

Next session, (place and date not reported).

*President*, Rev. H. Fry, Montesano, Wash.; *Vice-  
President*, A. Goss, Melbourne, Wash.; *Secretary*, A.  
W. Fry, Markham, Wash.; *Treasurer*, Rev. J. C.  
Olson, Montesano, Wash.

MINISTERS, ADDRESSES, PASTORATES.

Burl, O, Brooklyn, Wash—No pastorate  
Caldwell, W R, Montesano, Wash—Johns River  
Fry, H, Montesano, Wash—Home missionary  
Hutton, F D, Montesano, Wash—Bitter Creek—  
Brooklyn—Vesta  
Lynn, Allen, Wynooche, Wash—Artic  
Lynn, A W, Artic, Wash—No pastorate  
Olson, J C, Montesano, Wash—No pastorate  
Stone, T, Melbourne, Wash—Melbourne  
Ordained, 5; licentiates, 3.

CHURCH, PASTOR, VALUE, MEMBERS, CLERK. (See p.100)

Artic—Allen Lynn, Artic, Wash  
\$ 50. 15—Allen Lynn, Wynooche, Wash  
Bitter Creek—F D Hutton, Montesano, Wash  
\$ 000. 44—Miss Carrie Olson, Montesano, Wash  
Brooklyn—F D Hutton, Montesano, Wash  
\$ 100. 31—Emma Roberts, Brooklyn, Wash

ELMA, No. 19—No pastor  
\$ 000. 9—N Hulling, Elma, Wash  
Johns River—W R Caldwell, Montesano, Wash  
\$ 000. 43—J L Phillips, Markham, Wash  
Melbourne—T Stone, Melbourne, Wash  
\$ 100. 40—Mrs T Stone, Melbourne, Wash  
Satsop—No pastor  
\$ 000. 7—Sarah Twidwell, Satsop, Wash  
VESTA—F D Hutton, Montesano, Wash  
\$ 000. 14—Charley Roberts, Vesta, Wash

8 churches—country, 8. Preaching, half time, 1;  
once per month, 5; no pastor, 2. Totals—valuation,  
\$250; membership, 206. Endeavor societies, 3; Sun-  
day schools, 6.

**Nebraska Conference.**

(Reported by Secretary Rasp.)

*Territory*—State of Nebraska.

Next session, at Wayland, Nebraska Sept. 14, 1899.

*President*, Hon. N. S. Michener, Gresham, Neb.;  
*Vice-President*, Rev. I. C. Harlan, Sioux City, Ia.;  
*Secretary*, Rev. F. L. Rasp, Gresham, Neb.; *Treas-  
urer*, J. H. Nebergall, Gresham, Neb.

MINISTERS, ADDRESSES, PASTORATES.

Beardshear, H, Ponca, Neb—Superannuated  
Harlan, I C, Sioux City, Ia—No pastorate  
Harlan, Mary, Sioux City, Ia—No pastorate  
Kirk, William, York, Neb—No pastorate  
McCoy, J F, Ulysses, Neb—No pastorate  
Rasp, F L, Gresham, Neb—State evangelist  
Ordained, 5; licentiate, 1.

CHURCH, PASTOR, VALUE, MEMBERS, CLERK. (See p.100)

GARRISON—No pastor  
\$ 000. 30—Nellie Gallagher, Garrison, Neb  
SOUTH BEND—No pastor  
\$ 200. 17—No clerk reported  
Wayland—J G Merritt (N Kas), Enosdale, Kas  
\$1,000. 106—Mrs Belle Skinner, Gresham, Neb  
York Mission—No pastor  
\$ 000. 16—Wm Kirk, York, Neb

4 churches—country, 2; town, 2. Preaching, once  
per month, 1; no pastor, 3. Totals—valuation,  
\$1,200; membership, 169. Endeavor societies, 1;  
Sunday schools, 2.



HON. N. S. MICHENER, GRESHAM, NEB.  
President Nebraska Conference.

### Recapitulation — Iowa, Wisconsin, Nebraska, and the Northwest.

(Last Year)

Ministers, 121; ordained, 96; licentiate, 25. 90 churches—town, 19; country, 71. Preaching, full time, 11; half time, 44; once per month, 18; no pastor, 17. Valuation, \$57,650; average valuation, \$641. Membership, 5,245; average membership, 58. Endeavor societies, 32; no Endeavor, 58. Sunday schools, 82; no Sunday school, 8.

### Recapitulation — Iowa, Wisconsin, Nebraska, and the Northwest.

(This Year)

Ministers, 116; ordained, 99; licentiate, 17. 90 churches—town, 22; country, 68; Preaching, full time, 9; half time, 43; once per month, 16; no pastor, 22. Valuation, \$32,000; average valuation, \$689. Membership, 5,590; average membership, 62. Endeavor societies, 26; no Endeavor, 64. Sunday schools, 82; no Sunday school, 8.

### Kansas State Conference.

(Reported by Secretary Cameron.)

Next session, at Lincoln, Kan., at the close of the school year of Kansas Christian College.

*President*, Rev. I. Mooney, Towanda, Kan.; *Secretary*, Rev. E. Cameron, Sycamore Springs, Kan.; *Treasurer*, Mrs. S. E. Wheeler, Delphos, Kan.; *Trustees*, Mrs. N. R. B. Whitaker, Lincoln, Kan.; E. Coate, Heber, Kan.; Rev. J. S. Masters, Fredonia, Kan.; Columbus Hendrickson, Lincoln, Kan.

### Eastern Kansas Conference.

(Reported by Secretary Carter.)

*Territory*—Comprises Cherokee, Crawford, Bourbon, Linn, Miami, Johnson, Wyandotte, Doniphan, Atchison, Jefferson, Douglas, Franklin, Anderson, Allen, Neosho, Labette, Montgomery, Wilson, Woodson, Coffey, Osage, Shawnee, Jackson, Brown, Nemaha, Pottawatomie, Wabaunsee, Lyon, Greenwood, Elk, and Chautauqua counties.

Next session, at Highland, Kansas, Oct. —, 1899.

*President*, J. H. Vliet, Ward, Kan.; *Vice-President*, Rev. A. Reed, Ridge, Kan.; *Secretary and Treasurer*, M. L. Cauter, Vilas, Kan.

#### MINISTERS, ADDRESSES, PASTORATES.

Allison, Alfred, Chetopa, Kan—No pastorate  
Allison, James, Chetopa, Kan—No pastorate  
Booe, J. S., Columbus, Kan—No pastorate  
Coates, Daniel, Thayer, Kan—Sand Ridge  
Darnall, T. C., Chetopa, Kan—No pastorate  
Davis, P. D., Galesburg, Kan—No pastorate  
Hess, J. W., Columbus, Kan—No pastorate [Valley  
Jones, Oscar, Columbus, Kan—Fairview—Pleasant  
King, A. A., Elm City, Kan—No pastorate  
Kirk, J. W., Columbus, Kan—No pastorate  
Masters, J. L., Coffeyville, Kan—No pastorate  
Masters, J. S., Fredonia, Kan—Elm City—Highland  
McHargue, A. D., Independence, Kan—No pastorate  
McMurray, A. A., Madison, Kan—No pastorate  
Reed, A., Ridge, Kan—No pastorate  
Roberts, E., Burlington, Kan—No pastorate  
Row, E. B., Columbus, Kan—No pastorate  
Sicks, Jacob, Independence, Kan—No pastorate  
Tague, John, Columbus, Kan—No pastorate  
Verden, P. L., Antumwa, Kan—No pastorate  
Wilkins, L., Wichita, Kan—No pastorate  
Ordained, 19; licentiate, 2.

#### CHURCH, PASTOR, VALUE, MEMBERS, CLERK. (See p. 100)

Fairview—Oscar Jones, Columbus, Kan  
\$ 000. 12—Alice Newlon, Independence, Kan  
First Christian—No pastor  
\$ 000. 27—Mary Tague, Columbus, Kan  
Elm City—J. S. Masters, Fredonia, Kan  
\$ 500. 106—E. Maxson, Elm City, Kan  
Highland—J. S. Masters, Fredonia, Kan  
\$ 000. 40—E. S. Baker, Dexter, Kan  
Lane—No pastor  
\$ 500. 35—E. L. Frame, Lane, Kan  
LOCKARD—No pastor  
\$ 000. 23—Jacob Dreitzler, Bartlett, Kan  
Mt Pleasant—No pastor  
\$ 000. 88—Lincoln Martindale, Burlington, Kan  
Mt Zion—No pastor  
\$ 000. 40—Sallie Masters, Fredonia, Kan  
PLEASANT VALLEY—Oscar Jones, Columbus, Kan  
\$ 500. 84—Ida McLaren, Vilas, Kan  
Sand Ridge—Daniel Coates, Thayer, Kan  
\$ 000. 30—Viola Maraizm, —, Kan  
Shaw Creek—No pastor  
\$ 000. 25—Mrs J. E. Bradfield, Verdigris, Kan

11 churches—town, 2; country, 9. Preaching, full time, 5; no pastor, 6. Totals—valuation, \$1,500; membership, 510. Endeavor societies, 3; Sunday schools, 9.

### Northern Kansas Conference.

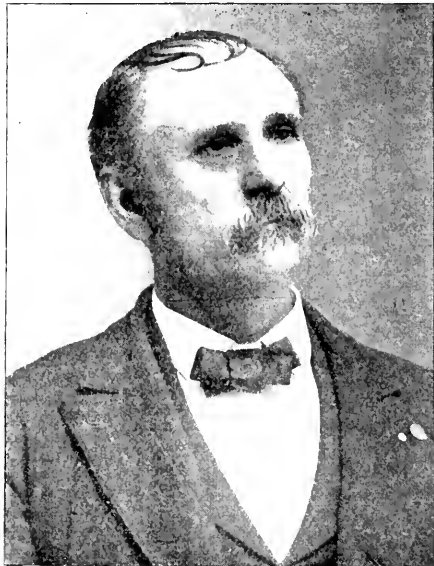
(Reported by Secretary Roe.)

Next session, at Merideth, Kan., Sept. —, 1899.

*President*, C. C. Stoner, Rice, Kan.; *Vice-President*, A. L. Roe, Superior, Neb.; *Secretary*, Mattie Roe, Superior, Neb.; *Treasurer*, B. F. Rose, Concordia, Kan.

#### MINISTERS, ADDRESSES, PASTORATES.

Baker, J. F., Lincoln, Kan—No pastorate  
Bushong, Hannah, Alma, Kan—No pastorate  
Bushong, Peter, Alma, Kan—Morning Star  
Coates, J. W., Heber, Kan—Merideth  
Daley, Hiram, Alma, Kan—Superannuated  
Dexter, Henry, Burroak, Kan—Pleasant Hill  
Elliot, Ellen, Heber, Kan—No pastorate  
Harper, M. O., Bloomington, Neb—No pastorate  
Harvey, E. E., Warwick, Kan—No pastorate  
Hillman, J. J., Lincoln, Kan—Superannuated  
Merritt, J. G., Enosdale, Kan—Wayland (Neb)  
Noillicur, Anthony, Huseher, Kan—No pastorate  
Noillicur, S., Concordia, Kan—No pastorate  
Noble, P. S., Willamina, Ore—No pastorate



REV. J. S. MASTERS, FREDONIA, KANSAS.  
Eastern Kansas Conference.

Randall, B F. Agra, Kan—No pastorate  
Strange, J S. Lincoln, Kan—Lincoln  
Strange, S A. Lincoln, Kan—No pastorate  
Strangle, T M. Lincoln, Kan—No pastorate  
Wright, H J. Graves, Kan—Superannuated  
Wright, J T. Almaea, Kan—No pastorate  
Ordained, 17; licentiates, 3.

CHURCH, PASTOR, VALUE, MEMBERS, CLERK. (See p.100)

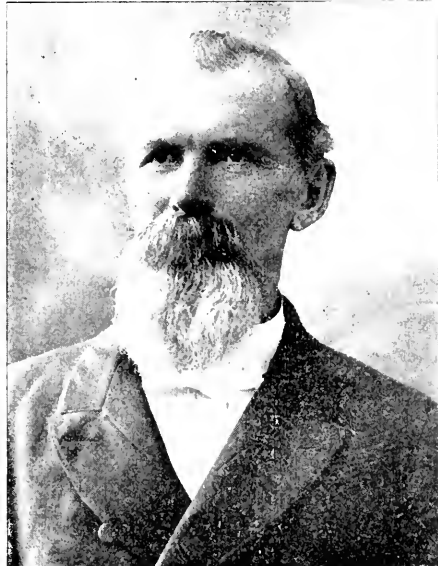
Edson—No pastor  
\$ 000. 30—A Day, Edson, Kan  
Kinder Hook—No pastor  
\$ 000. 12—No clerk reported  
Lincoln—J S Strange, Lincoln, Kan  
\$ 200. 50—Dora Strange, Lincoln, Kan  
Merideth—J W Coates, Merideth, Kan  
\$ 600. 46—J C Stallings, Heber, Kan  
*Morning Star*—Peter Bushong, Almaea, Kan  
\$ 300. 60—Estella Smith, Almaea, Kan  
Nelson—No pastor  
\$ 000. 50—Lizzie Rothimer, Rice, Kan  
Olive Hill—L A Pocock (So Kas), Superior, Neb  
\$1,200. 56—Henry Forrey, Harrison, Kan  
Pleasant Hill—Henry Dexter, Burroak, Kan  
\$ 000. 23—W P Gilson, Reamsville, Kan  
Pleasant Home—No pastor  
\$ 000. 25—Albert Lister, Brewster, Kan  
Pleasant Valley—No pastor  
\$ 000. 15—L T Ford, Oakhill, Kan  
Shermanville—No pastor  
\$ 000. 10—Kate Bray, Charlotte, Kan  
Side View—No pastor  
\$ 000. 25—No clerk reported  
South Side—No pastor  
\$ 000. 25—Cora Felker, Trenton, Neb  
Sunny Side—No pastor  
\$ 000. 25—Josephus Baker, Lincoln, Kan

14 churches—town, 2; country, 12. Preaching, full time, 2; once per month, 3; no pastor, 9. Totals—valuation, \$2,300; membership, 455. Endeavor societies, 1; Sunday schools, 14.

**Southern Kansas Conference.**

(Reported by Secretary Cole.)

Territory—The west three-fourths of Southern Kansas.  
Next session, at Butler School House, Sept. 16, 1899.



REV. L. A. POCOCK, SUPERIOR, NEBRASKA.  
Southern Kansas Conference.

President, Rev. J. Mooney, Towanda, Kan.; *Vice-President*, Rev. J. W. Kinney, Potwin, Kan.; *Secretary*, Rev. Henry, Cole, Lerado, Kan.; *Treasurer*, N. J. Rasmussen, Neola, Kan.

MINISTERS, ADDRESSES, PASTORATES.

Barton, Barnabas, Liverpool, Kan—No pastorate  
Bloomfield, S B, Oakland, Kan—No pastorate  
Cameron, E. Sycamore Springs, Kan—Mission and evangelistic work  
Cole, Henry, Lerado, Kan—Pleasant Valley  
Davis, Ozella, Prattburg, Kan—No pastorate  
Fitch, W H. Valley Center, Kan—No pastorate  
Fuller, Wm R. Little River, Kan—Mission work  
Galway, N C, Coolidge, Kan—No pastorate  
Kinney, J W, Potwin, Kan—Matfield Green—Pleasant Center  
Lerado, Kan—Mission work  
Mizener, A C, Eldorado, Kan—Golden Gate and Morgan, D E, Turon, Kan—No pastorate  
Pocock, L A, Superior, Neb—Olive Hill (N Kan)  
Rasmussen, Emma, Neola, Kan—Neola—Pleasant Hill  
Tipton, J W, Goodland, Kan—Mission work  
Ordained, 12; licentiates, 3. Died since last report, M. Hart.

CHURCH PASTOR, VALUE, MEMBERS, CLERK. (See p.100)

Butler School House—No pastor  
\$ 50. 15—Grace Butler, Kingman, Kan  
Golden Gate—I Mooney, Towanda, Kan  
\$ 000. 15—W O Moore, Murdock, Kan  
Matfield Green—J W Kinney, Potwin  
\$ 800. 14—Mary Mitchell, Matfield Green, Kan  
Neola—Emma Rasmussen, Neola, Kan  
\$ 000. 29—Emma Rasmussen, Neola, Kan  
Pleasant Hill—Emma Rasmussen, Neola, Kan  
\$ 800. 51—Clarrissa Cole, Bone Springs, Kan  
Pleasant Center—J W Kinney, Potwin, Kan  
\$ 800. 7—W T Davis, Amador, Kan  
Pleasant Valley—Henry Cole, Lerado, Kan  
\$ 000. 12—Ozella Davis, Prattburg, Kan  
Towanda—I Mooney, Towanda, Kan  
\$ 800. 23—Mrs Bird Orban, Towanda, Kan

8 churches—town, 2; country, 6. Preaching, half time, 4; once per month, 3; no pastor, 1. Totals—valuation, \$3,250; membership, 169. Endeavor societies, none; Sunday schools, 8.



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### North Missouri Conference.

(Reported by Secretary DeWeese.)

*Territory*—Central portion of North Missouri. Bounded on the south by the Missouri River, and on the north by the Iowa State Line.

Next session, at Christian Home, Sept. 13, 1899.

*President*, Rev. J. S. Johnson, Chillicothe, Mo.:

*Vice-President*, Rev. S. D. Collier, Lemonville, Mo.:

*Secretary*, Rev. C. DeWeese, Indian Grove, Mo

#### MINISTERS, ADDRESSES, PASTORATES.

Bradshaw, J A, Unionville, Mo—No pastorate  
Collier, S D, Lemonville, Mo—Beulah—Prairie View  
—Welcome Home

Davis, John, Laredo, Mo—Superannuated [Branch

DeWeese, C, Indian Grove, Mo—Indian Grove—Long

Golden, A J, Greenleaf, Mo—No past rate

Herrington, Israel, Cleary, Mo—No pastorate

Hessenflow, F E, Farmersville, Mo—No pastorate

Jennings, N L, Seymour, Ia—Superannuated

Johnson, J S, Chillicothe, Mo—No pastorate

Johnson, J W, Chillicothe, Mo—No pastorate

Perry, H, Dewitt, Mo—Craig S H [arch

Stephenson, J W, Nodaway, Mo—Blackberry—Mon-

Summers, S P, Unionville, Mo—Pleasant Ridge

Sweet, T B, Unionville, Mo—Mt Harmony [(U Ia)

Thomas, Alonzo, Eldon, Ia—Antioch—Bethlehem

Webster, C W, Galt, Mo—Bethlehem—Pleasant Hill

Ordained, 15; licentiates, 1.

#### CHURCH, PASTOR, VALUE, MEMBERS, CLERK. (Seep. 100)

Bethlehem—C W Webster, Galt, Mo  
\$ 800. 54—Morton Atkins, Wakenda, Mo  
Beulah—S D Collier, Lemonville, Mo  
\$ 500. 50—Thomas Dodson, Pennville, Mo  
Blackberry—J W Stephenson, Nodaway, Mo  
\$ 600. 21—Mrs G Farley, Elm Grove, Mo  
Craig, S H—H Perry, Dewitt, Mo  
\$ 000. 42—Mrs A Shindhelm, Dewitt, Mo  
INDIAN GROVE—C DeWeese, Indian Grove, Mo  
\$ 500. 38—J T May, Indian Grove, Mo  
LONG BRANCH—C DeWeese, Indian Grove, Mo  
\$ 000. 26—Mrs Adaline Cox, Keytesville, Mo  
Monarch—J W Stephenson, Nodaway, Mo  
\$ 000. 45—Enos Smither, Nodaway, Mo  
Mt Harmony—T B Sweet, Unionville, Mo  
\$ 400. 36—H E Hanel, Unionville, Mo  
Pleasant Hill—C W Webster, Galt, Mo  
\$ 800. 73—J A Claypole, Laredo, Mo  
PLEASANT RIDGE—S P Summers, Unionville, Mo  
\$ 000. 18—Minerva Fife, Unionville, Mo  
PLEASANT VALLEY—No pastor  
\$ 000. 49—J W Goodbar, Dewitt, Mo  
PRAIRIE VIEW—S D Collier, Lemonville, Mo  
\$ 600. 10—J M Border, Xenia, Mo  
RIVER VALLEY—No pastor  
\$ 000. 52—A L Wood, Cavendish, Mo  
Welcome Home—S D Collier, Lemonville, Mo  
\$ 300. 69—Mrs L E Hatfield, Lowground, Mo.

14 churches—all country, 14. Preaching, once per month, 12; no pastor, 2. Totals—valuation, \$3,300; membership, 583. Endeavor societies, 1; Sunday schools, 8.



REV. C. DEWEESE, INDIAN GROVE, MO.  
Secretary North Missouri Conference.

**Osage Conference.**

(Reported by Secretary Nickols.)

*Territory*—Comprises Hickory, St. Clair, Miller, Maries, and Camden counties.

Next session, at Union Hill Church, August —, 1899.  
*President*, Rev. E. E. Sullens, Capes Ferry, Mo.; *Secretary*, J. W. Nickols, Dixon, Mo

MINISTERS, ADDRESSES, PASTORATES.

Adamson, John, Chalklevel, Mo.—No pastorate  
Chancellor, P., Hermitage, Mo.—No pastorate  
Doane, M. E. Iberia, Mo.—No pastorate  
Huey, S. C. Voris, Mo.—No pastorate  
Lawson, Lindsey, Iberia, Mo.—No pastorate  
Neely, J. E., Van Clave, Mo.—No pastorate  
Renfrow, J. M., Iberia, Mo.—No pastorate  
Riley, W. W., Chicago, Ill.—Capron (N Ill and Wis)  
Robinson, Geo., Iberia, Mo.—Clifty—Santeee  
Seaton, Benjamin, St Darus, Mo.—No pastorate  
Simms, John D., Weaubleau, Mo.—Bethany—Crosslane  
—Union Hill [Zion

Sooter, C. M., Uلمان, Mo.—Etna—Iberia—Liberty—Mt  
Sooter, Win M., Iberia, Mo.—Hopewell  
Sullens, E. E., Capes Ferry, Mo.—No pastorate  
Thomas, S. K., Ohio, Mo.—Antioch—Monegan  
Turner, Rev. Lowry, Mo.—No pastorate  
Whitaker, John, Weaubleau, Mo.—Weaubleau  
Ordained, 14; licentiates, 3.

CHURCH, PASTOR, VALUE, MEMBERS, CLERK. (See p. 100.)

ANTIOCH—S K Thomas, Ohio, Mo  
\$ 000. 27—J M Francis, Lowry City, Mo  
BETHANY—John D Simms, Weaubleau, Mo  
\$ 000. 39—E M Allen, Terry, Mo  
CLIFTY—Geo Robinson, Iberia, Mo  
\$ 000. 25—Mr Conkrell, Dixon, Mo  
CROSSLANE—John D Simms, Weaubleau, Mo  
\$ 000. 13—Benjamin Bernard, Quincy, Mo  
Edith—No pastor  
\$ 000. 26—John Martin, Edith, Mo  
ETNA—C M Sooter, Uلمان, Mo  
\$ 500. 20—No clerk reported  
Good Hope—No pastor  
\$ 000. 50—L C Lee, Tavern, Mo

HOPEWELL—Wm M Sooter, Iberia, Mo  
\$ 000. 34—Elizabeth Lee, Iberia, Mo  
Humphrey Creek—No pastor  
\$ 000. 92—L A Barton, Capps, Mo  
Iberia—C M Sooter, Uلمان, Mo  
\$ 000. 17—B F Fike, Iberia, Mo  
JOHNSON SCHOOL HOUSE—No pastor  
\$ 000. 65—Mary Nelson, Iberia, Mo  
LIBERTY—C M Sooter, Uلمان, Mo  
\$ 300. 36—J W Nickols, Dixon, Mo  
Monegan—S K Thomas, Ohio, Mo  
\$ 500. 55—C L Reasoner, Ohio, Mo  
Mt Gilead—No pastor  
\$ 000. 97—Joseph Pendleton, Iberia, Mo  
Mt Pisgah—No pastor  
\$ 000. 14—Sherman Heberling, Teal, Mo  
Mt Zion—C M Sooter, Uلمان, Mo  
\$ 500. 85—P B Lupartus, Uلمان, Mo  
Pleasant Valley—No pastor  
\$ 000. 15—James Kelley, Dillon, Mo  
River Dale—No pastor  
\$ 000. 26—Mary Wilson, Wheeler, Mo  
SANTEE—Geo Robinson, Iberia, Mo  
\$ 000. 15—James Kelley, Dixon, Mo  
Union Hill—John D Simms, Weaubleau, Mo  
\$ 000. 52—T J Murphy, Weaubleau, Mo  
Weaubleau—John Whitaker, Weaubleau, Mo  
\$3,000. 127—E L Butler, Weaubleau, Mo  
Zion Hill—No pastor  
\$ 000. 23—F S Fitzwater, Maries, Mo

22 churches—town, 3; country, 19. Preaching, once per month, 13; no pastor, 9. Totals—valuation, \$1,800; membership, 953. Endeavor societies, 1; Sunday schools, 14.

**Spring River Conference.**

(Reported by Secretary Moody.)

Next session (place not reported), Oct. —, 1899.  
*President*, Rev. B. F. Berry, Galena, Kan.; *Vice-President*, Rev. George Burton, Hallowell, Kan.; *Secretary*, B. D. Moody, Galena, Kan.; *Treasurer*, Mrs J. W. Carney, Galena, Kan

MINISTERS, ADDRESSES, PASTORATES.

Berry, B F, Galena, Kan—No pastorate  
Burton, George, Hallowell, Kan—Galena  
Gibson, L L, Everton, Mo—No pastorate  
Glaze, James, Monmouth, Kan—No pastorate  
Hull, Emerson, Columbus, Kan—Mitchell  
Humphries, A, Aurora, Mo—No pastorate  
Moody, Laura, Galena, Kan—Hallowell  
Ramey, Royal, Everton, Mo—Creston (Conf?)  
Stocksberry, A, Galena, Kan—No pastorate  
Van Horn, W M, Galena, Kan—No pastorate  
Ordained, 9; licentiate, 1.

CHURCH, PASTOR, VALUE, MEMBERS, CLERK. (See p. 100)

GALENA—George Burton, Hallowell, Kan  
\$ 500. 24—B D Moody, Galena, Kan  
Hallowell—Laura Moody, Galena, Kan  
\$ 200. 25—Wm A McKee, Hallowell, Kan  
MITCHELL—Emerson Hull, Columbus, Kan  
\$ 000. 35—S A Hull, Columbus, Kan

3 churches—town, 2; country, 1. Preaching, once per month, 3. Totals—valuation, \$700; membership, 54. Endeavor societies, none; Sunday schools, 1.

**Northwestern Arkansas Conference.**

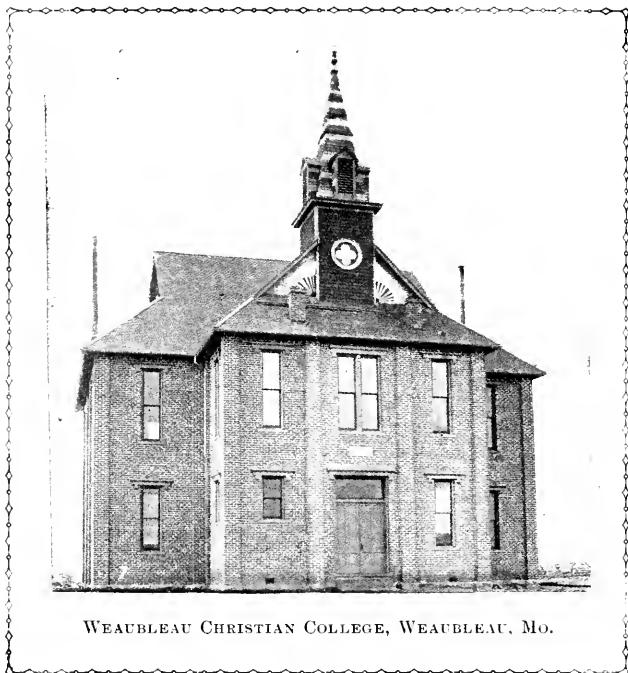
(Reported by Secretary Auman.)

*Territory*—Comprises twelve counties in north-west corner of Arkansas.

Next session, at Seba, Ark., Oct. 12, 1899.  
*President*, Rev. M. P. Julian, Chester, Ark.; *Vice-President*, Rev. A. J. Shavers, Gentry, Ark.; *Secretary*, W. H. Auman, Hanners, Ark.; *Treasurer*, Rev. J. W. Null, Seba, Ark.

MINISTERS, ADDRESSES, PASTORATES.

Baker, J E, Gentry, Ark—No pastorate  
Cor., J A, Francis, Ark—No pastorate  
Drake, S, Chester, Ark—Elizabeth Chapel  
Julian, M P, Chester, Ark—Conference missionary  
Kinney, P F, Francis, Ark—No pastorate



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Manners, A J, Gentry, Ark--No pastorate  
 McGinnis, D D, Francis, Ark--No pastorate  
 Null, J W, Seba, Ark--Mars Hill (Conf?)  
 Raynor, S, Harrison, Ark--Francis--Wolf Springs  
 Smith, C W, Lick Branch, Ark--Lick Branch--New  
 Thompson, L B, Coats, Ark--No pastorate [Prospect  
 Watt, I M, Greenforest, Ark--No pastorate  
 Ordained, 9; licentiates, 3.

CHURCH, PASTOR, VALUE, MEMBERS, CLERK. (Seep.100)

Elizabeth Chapel--S Drake, Chester, Ark  
 \$ 300. 25--No clerk reported  
 Francis--S Raynor, Harrison, Ark  
 \$ 200. 38--Carrie Asher, Francis, Ark  
 Lick Branch--C W Smith, Lick Branch, Ark  
 \$ 000. 34--W N Gass, Burlington, Ark.  
 LONE CEDAR--No pastor  
 \$ 000. 6--M C Drake, Chester, Ark  
 NEW PROSPECT--C W Smith, Lick Branch, Ark  
 \$ 000. 15--No clerk reported  
 SINGLETON--No pastor  
 \$ 000. 15--No clerk reported  
 WOLF SPRINGS--S Raynor, Harrison, Ark  
 \$ 000. 23--J A Cox

7 churches--town, 1; country, 6. Preaching, once per month, 5; no pastor, 2. Totals--valuation, \$500; membership, 156. Endeavor societies, none; Sunday schools, 3.

## Red River Conference.

(Reported by Pres. Pennel for Sec. Henry.)

Territory--Comprises northern Texas and part of the southern part of Indian Territory.

Next session, at Plainview, Ind. Ter., July, 19, 1899.  
 President, A. W. Pennel, Basin Springs, Tex.;  
 Vice-President, J. J. Harmon, Weaverton, Ind. Ter.;  
 Secretary, R. W. Henry, Pontotoc, Ind. Ter.; Assistant  
 Secretary, P. E. Lee, Brownville, Ind. Ter.

MINISTERS, ADDRESSES, PASTORATES.

Cox, W G, Brownville, Ind Ter--No pastorate  
 Cox, Maggie A, Brownville, Ind Ter--No pastorate  
 Eldredge, H, Sadler, Tex--No pastorate  
 Eubanks, W L, Willis, Ind Ter--Bourland--Chris-  
 tian Chapel--Hamilton Springs--Plainview--  
 Powelltown  
 Eubanks, J W, Red Branch, Tex--No pastorate  
 Hucker, A C, Gage, Tex--No pastorate  
 Lea, Emma, Cliff, Ind Ter--No pastorate  
 Martin, C H, Ada, Ind Ter--No pastorate  
 Pemberton, J S, Gordonville, Tex--No pastorate  
 Rollins, H D, Brownville, Ind Ter--Independence--  
 Star [Valley  
 Scott, G W, Willow Point, Tex--Agnes--Pleasant  
 White, J W, Viola, Ind Ter--Pilgrim Chapel  
 Ordained, 7; licentiates, 5.

CHURCH, PASTOR, VALUE, MEMBERS, CLERK. (Seep.100)

Agnes--G W Scott, Willow Point, Tex  
 \$ 000. 27--Kate Jordau, Agnes, Tex  
 Bourland--W L Eubanks, Willis, I T  
 \$ 000. 66--S C Rose, Willis, I T  
 Christian Chapel--W L Eubanks, Willis, I T  
 \$ 000. 25--D F Roberts, Sadler, Tex  
 HAMILTON SPRINGS--W L Eubanks, Willis, I T  
 \$ 100. 40--W M Brannon, Brownville, I T  
 Independence--H D Rollins, Brownville, I T  
 \$ 000. 82--A W Pennel, Basin Springs, Tex



REV. F. M. THOMAS, ELBA, OKLA.  
President Oklahoma Conference.

Pilgrim Chapel—J W White, Viola, I T  
\$ 000. 25—No clerk reported  
Plainview—W L Eubanks, Willis, I T  
\$ 000. 23—E H Herrin, Oakland, I T  
Pleasant Valley—G W Scott, Willow Point, Tex  
\$ 000. 25—I T Richardson, Bridgeport, Tex  
Powelltown—W L Eubanks, Willis, I T  
\$ 000. 30—No clerk reported  
Star—H D Rollins, Brownville, I T  
\$ 000. 22—Mollie Fortney, Brownville, I T  
10 churches—all country. Preaching, once per  
month, 10. Totals—valuation, \$100; membership,  
365. Endeavor societies, none; Sunday schools, 9.

**Oklahoma Conference.**

(Reported by Secretary Hostetter.)

Territory—Oklahoma and Indian Territory.  
Next session, at Coal Creek, Okla., Aug. 17, 1899.  
President, Rev. F. M. Thomas, Elba, Okla.; Vice-  
President, Rev. W. J. Shepperd, Purcell, I. T.; Sec-  
retary, Rev. W. P. Hostetter, Floyd, Okla.; Treas-  
urer, J. W. Powell, Pawnee, Okla.

**MINISTERS, ADDRESSES, PASTORATES.**

Cooke, H. Harvey, Okla—No pastorate [view  
Funderburg, P. Floyd, Okla—Green Valley—Plain-  
geller, J. Floyd, Okla—No pastorate  
Holeman, Thos. Jennings, Okla—No pastorate  
Hostetter, W P. Floyd, Okla—Osage City. Coal  
Creek (Conf?)  
Shepperd, W J, Purcell, I T—Walnut Creek  
Thomas, F M, Elba, Okla—No pastorate  
White, J T, Osage City, Okla—Pleasant Grove  
Ordained, 6; licentiates, 2.

**CHURCH, PASTOR, VALUE, MEMBERS, CLERK. (See p.100)**

Green Valley—P Funderburg, Floyd, Okla  
\$ 000. 10—Dora Snyder, Perry, Okla  
Osage City—W P Hostetter, Floyd, Okla  
\$ 000. 31—Jennie Heckendorn, Osage City, Okla  
Plainview—P Funderburg, Floyd, Okla  
\$ 000. 6—Dona Morris, Mulhall, Okla

Pleasant Grove—J T White, Osage City, Okla  
\$ 000. 29—Nellie Broyles, Floyd, Okla  
Walnut Creek—W J Shepperd, Purcell, I T  
\$ 000. 12—No clerk reported  
5 churches—town, 1; country, 4. Preaching, once  
per month, 5. Totals—valuation, \$800; membership,  
91. Endeavor societies, none; Sunday schools, 5.

**Recapitulation — Kansas, Missouri, and the Northwest.**

(Last Year)

Ministers, 135; ordained, 115; licentiates,  
20. 95 churches—town, 15; country, 80.  
Preaching, full time, 7; half time, 5; once  
per month, 55; no pastor, 28. Valuation,  
\$15,400; average valuation, \$162. Member-  
ship, 3,313; average membership, 35. En-  
deavor societies, 6; no Endeavor, 89. Sun-  
day schools, 76; no Sunday school, 19.

**Recapitulation — Kansas, Missouri, and the Northwest.**

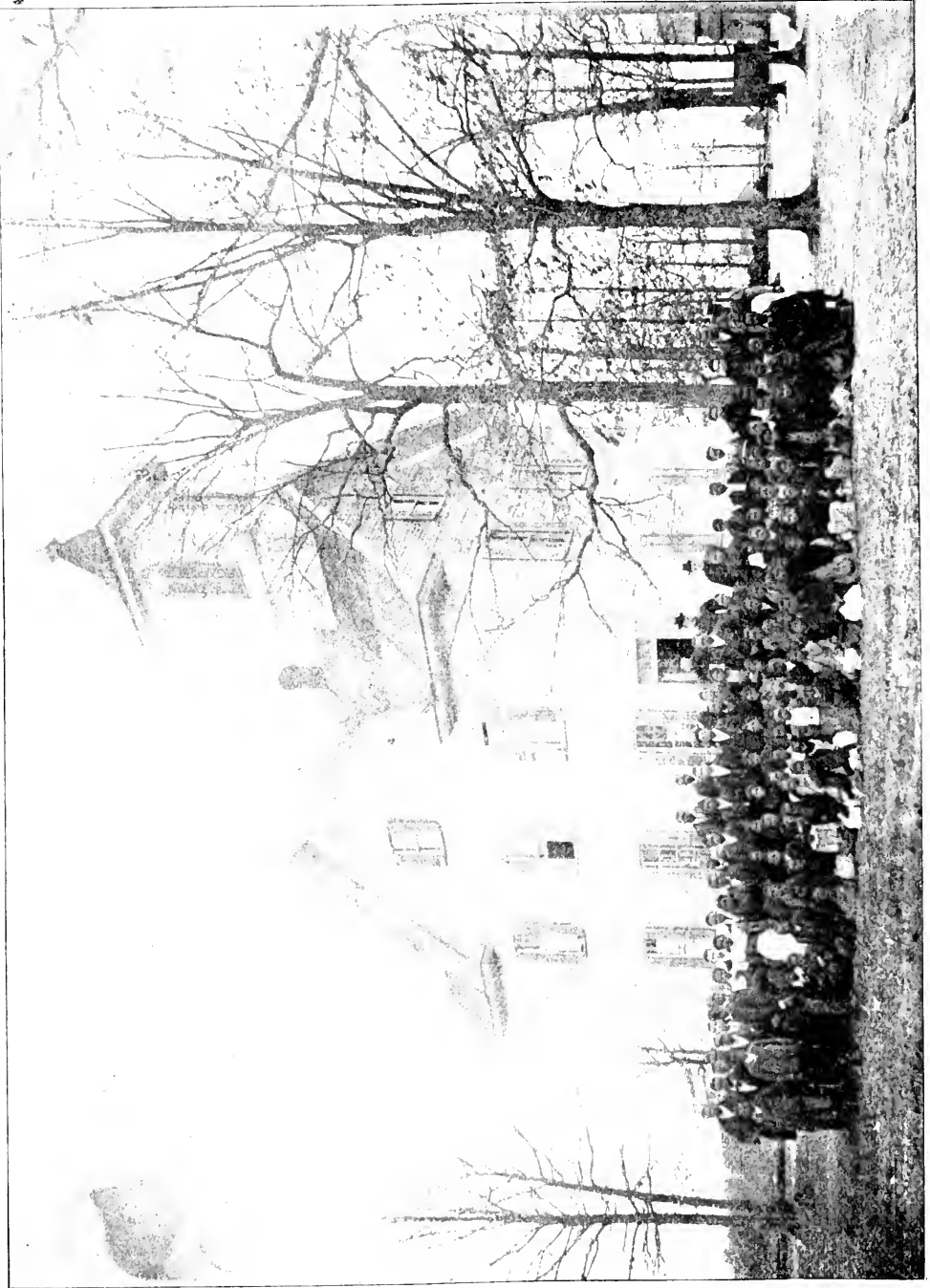
(This Year)

Ministers, 131; ordained, 108; licentiates,  
23. 94 churches—town, 13; country, 81,  
Preaching, full time, 7; half time, 4; once  
per month, 54; no pastor, 29. Valuation,  
\$16,450; average valuation, \$175. Member-  
ship, 3,366; average membership, 37. En-  
deavor societies, 6; no Endeavor, 88. Sun-  
day schools, 71; no Sunday school, 23.



REV. E. EDMUNDS, BOSTON, MASS.

A surviving delegate of the Marion Convention of  
1850. Picture came too late for proper insertion.  
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**North Carolina Conference.**

(Reported by Secretary Long.)

*Territory*—North, Central, and Western N. C. Next session, at Holly Springs, N. C., Nov. —, 1899. *President*, Rev. Wm Williams, 517 E. Blount St., Raleigh, N. C.; *Vice-President*, Rev. T. Bullock, Nutbush, N. C.; *Secretary*, Rev. H. E. Long, Franklinton, N. C.; *Treasurer*, Rev. R. K. Kearney, Franklinton, N. C.

**MINISTERS, ADDRESSES, PASTORATES.**

Albright, S W, Hawriver, N C—Archie Grove—Mebane  
 Alexander, J A, Henderson, N C—No pastorate  
 Alexander, P R, Palmer Springs, Va—Mt Zion  
 Allen, John, Mt Energy, N C—Kinchus Chapel—Pleasant Union—Popes Chapel  
 Allen, W, Cary, N C—Cary, Sand Hill (Conf?)  
 Atson, C J, Silk Hope, N C—Pine Hill  
 Atson, H S, Epsom, N C—No pastorate  
 Arrington, D, Graham, N C—No pastorate  
 Baldwin, H B, Apex, N C—Christian Home—Strowds Grove—Zion Hill  
 Baskerville, H S, Manson, N C—No pastorate

Brown, Thos, Patersonbridge, N C—St John  
 Bullock, E, Nutbush, N C—Burches Chapel—Jerusalem—Roanoke Chapel  
 Bullock, T, Nutbush, N C—Christian Antioch—Island Hill—Oak Level (Vance)—St Andrews—White  
 Coleman, S, Keats, Va—Childrens Chapl (Va) [Grove Core, J C, Stanfordville, N Y—No pastorate  
 Dugger, W H, Oxford, N C—Lewis Chapel—St Luke  
 Duke, G W, Ridgeway, N C—Rowland Chapel—St Goode, S, Aberdeen, N C—No pastorate [Mary Green, R, Raleigh, N C—No pastorate  
 Harden, M D, Graham, N C—Wesley Chapel  
 Henderson, John, Williamsburg, N C—No pastorate  
 Henderson, J A, Woodworth, N C—Teacher  
 Hester, M M, Durham, N C—Berea  
 Hinnant, J W, Cary, N C—Blossom Grove—Cedar Hill—Christian Chapel—Rocky Springs  
 Hollaway, A J, Nutbush, N C—No pastorate  
 Horton, W H, Bogett, N C—New Bethel—Poplar Springs—Red Hill—Rocky Branch  
 Johnson, R D, Southern Pines, N C—No pastorate  
 Jones, S W, Franklinton, N C—St Delight  
 Kearney, R K, Franklinton, N C—No pastorate  
 Kint, John, Holly Springs, N C—No pastorate  
 Levister, T J, Greensboro, N C—Bishop Temple—White Rock  
 Liggins, A D, Holly Springs, N C—No pastorate  
 Long, H E, Franklinton, N C—Raleigh (West)  
 Mabrey, J H, Cary, N C—Franklinton—Pleasant Grove. Free Liberty (Conf?). Holly Springs  
 Marsh, Wm, Lindhurst, N C—No pastorate [(Conf?)  
 Mayo, Wm, Bangor, N C—No pastorate  
 McBroom, J H, Hawriver, N C—Green Level. McBroom Chapel (Conf?)  
 McCoy, Wm, Raleigh, N C—Oak Level (Wake)  
 McKinzie, J E, Raleigh, N C—No pastorate  
 Meadows, J W, Mt Energy, N C—No pastorate  
 Onslow, Jacob, Wilmington, N C—Christian Hope—St Lewis. Cedar Hill (E A N C)  
 Perry, Adora, Raleigh, N C—No pastorate  
 Petty, Jerry, Raleigh, N C—No pastorate  
 Pretty, Robert, Harpsboro, N C—No pastorate  
 Ray, C W, Stainback, N C—Hawfield—Union Chapel  
 Ray, J N, Franklinton, N C—Youngs Chapel  
 Reid, E S, Woodworth, N C—No pastorate  
 Ruffin, L A, Raleigh, N C—Hanks Chapel (Conf?)  
 Smith, Geo, Newhill, N C—No pastorate  
 Thompson, A J, Vanteen, N C—No pastorate  
 Tyson, L C, Burlington, N C—Childrens Chapel—Ebenezer  
 Watkins, A W, Ridgeway, N C—No pastorate  
 Whitaker, R T, Raleigh, N C—No pastorate  
 Whitaker, Simpson, Raleigh, N C—No pastorate  
 Williams, B J, Raleigh, N C—No pastorate  
 Williams, W B, Burlington, N C—No pastorate  
 Williams, Wm, 517 Blount St, Raleigh, N C—Maple Chapel—Youngsville Chapel  
 Young, B, Middleburg, N C—Pleasant Hill—St Paul—Williams Chapel. Hickory Grove (Conf?)  
 Ordained, 40; licentiates, 18. Died since last report, G. W. Dunn.

**CHURCH, PASTOR, VALUE, MEMBERS, CLERK. (Sep. 100)**

Archie Grove—S W Albright, Hawriver, N C \$ 000. 15—Charles Cooke, Big Falls, N C  
 BERA—M M Hoster, Durham, N C \$ 000. 10—No clerk reported  
 BISHOP TEMPLE—T J Levister, Greensboro, N C \$ 100. 15—John Harris, Greensboro, N C  
 BLOSSOM GROVE—J W Hinnant, Cary, N C \$ 100. 20—J A Stewart, Lyons, N C  
 Burches Chapel—E Bullock, Nutbush, N C \$ 150. 227—A J Hollaway, Nutbush, N C  
 Cary—W Allen, Cary, N C \$ 800. 200—Richard Jones, Cary, N C  
 Cedar Grove—No pastor  
 \$ 50. 13—Elizer Bishop, Nolson, N C  
 CEDAR HILL—J W Hinnant, Cary, N C \$ 000. 24—Murray Williams, Wilmington, N C  
 Childrens Chapel—L C Tyson, Burlington, N C \$1,800. 120—P D Everet, Graham, N C  
 Childrens Chapel (Va)—S Coleman, Cuscowillier, Va \$ 000. 20—Mary Williams, Cuscowillier, Va  
 Christian Antioch—T Bullock, Nutbush, N C \$1,300. 309—J E Pearson, Woodworth, N C  
 Christian Chapel—J W Hinnant, Cary, N C \$ 150. 78—J E Wilson, Newhill, N C

Christian Home—H B Baldwin, Apex, N C  
 § 400. 23—D O Baldwin, Apex, N C  
 Christian Hope—Jacob Onslow, Wilmington, N C  
 § 50. 39—Cain Jenkins, Nelson, N C (C)  
 Deens Grove—R B Broddie (Conf?)—Henderson (N)  
 § 400. 12—Willie Mills, Martin, N C  
 Ebenezer—L C Tyson, Burlington, N C  
 § 500. 51—L L Cellers, Burlington, N C  
 Franklinton—J H Mabrey, Raleigh, N C  
 § 2,200. 161—M S Cook, Franklinton, N C  
 Green Level—J H McBroom, Hawriver, N C  
 § 50. 81—W H Hester, Hawriver, N C  
 Hawfield—C W Ray, Stainback, N C  
 § 200. 57—J H Rogers, Scotts, N C  
 Island Hill—T Bullock, Nutbush, N C  
 § 000. 33—B Terry, Guy, Va  
 Jerusalem—E Bullock, Nutbush, N C  
 § 800. 110—H Alexander, Palmer Springs, Va  
 Kiches Chapel—John Allen, Mt Energy, N C  
 § 350. 57—S W Jones, Franklinton, N C  
 Lewis Chapel—W H Dugger, Oxford, N C  
 § 000. 20—No clerk reported  
 Maple Temple—Wm Williams, Raleigh, N C  
 § 1,500. 52—R H Reavis, Raleigh, N C  
 Mebane—S W Albright, Hawriver, N C  
 § 200. 7—M Jones, Mebane, N C  
 Mt Zion—P R Alexander, Palmer Springs, Va  
 § 200. 53—John Henderson, Williamsburg, N C  
 New Bethel—W H Horton, Boyett, N C  
 § 100. 26—Bonnie Whitley, Arpsboro, N C  
 Oak Level (Yancey)—T Bullock, Nutbush, N C  
 § 800. 114—T S Bullock, Nutbush, N C  
 Oak Level (Wake)—Wm McCoy, Raleigh, N C  
 § 50. 46—L W Russell, Rogers Store, N C  
 Pine Hill—C J Alston, Silk Hope, N C  
 § 100. 38—Thomas Horton, Silk Hope, N C  
 Pleasant Grove—J H Mabrey, Raleigh, N C  
 § 600. 152—J D Tabon, Morrisville, N C  
 Pleasant Hill—B Young, Middleburg, N C  
 § 150. 40—A L McLean, Raleigh, N C  
 Pleasant Union—John Allen, Mt Energy, N C  
 § 250. 140—R S Harp, Yanteen, N C  
 Popes Chapel—John Allen, Mt Energy, N C  
 § 400. 38—Henrietta Grissom, Youngsville, N C  
 Poplar Springs—W H Horton, Boyett, N C  
 § 500. 169—Geo Reddick, Raleigh, N C  
 Raleigh (West)—H E Long, Franklinton, N C  
 § 800. 72—John Petty, Raleigh, N C  
 Red Hill—W H Horton, Boyett, N C  
 § 200. 55—W M Watson, Archer Lodge, N C  
 Roanoke Chapel—E Bullock, Nutbush, N C  
 § 200. 60—Robt Jiggetts, Palmer Springs, Va  
 Rocky Branch—W H Horton, Boyett, N C  
 § 200. 67—Atkinson, Meeksville, N C  
 Rocky Springs—J W Hinnant, Cary, N C  
 § 300. 75—B Perry, Grissom, N C  
 Rowland Chapel—G W Duke, Ridgeway, N C  
 § 450. 50—J H Alston, Epton, N C  
 St Andrew—T Bullock, Nutbush, N C  
 § 200. 70—S P Kearney, Henderson, N C  
 St Delight—S W Jones, Franklinton, N C  
 § 100. 32—A L Clifton, Royal, N C  
 St John—Thos Brown, Aberdeen, N C  
 § 100. 52—Thomas Horton, Silk Hope, N C  
 St Lewis—Jacob Onslow, Wilmington, N C  
 § 100. 16—Mrs J H Lewis, Wilmington, N C  
 St Luke—W H Dugger, Oxford, N C  
 § 200. 28—Betty Hall, Oxford, N C  
 St Mary—G W Duke, Ridgeway, N C  
 § 100. 40—E P Jefferson, Warren Plains, N C  
 St Paul—B Young, Middleburg, N C  
 § 500. 83—G B Bullock, Middleburg, N C  
 Strowds Grove—H B Baldwin, Apex, N C  
 § 700. 54—C A Strowd, Belvoir, N C  
 Union Chapel—C W Ray, Stainback, N C  
 § 200. 39—Y S Turner, Bigfalls, N C  
 Wesley Chapel—M D Harden, Graham, N C  
 § 500. 78—Lula Haden, Lindhurst, N C  
 White Grove—T Bullock, Nutbush, N C  
 § 1,500. 113—S W Rowlett, Middleburg, N C  
 White Rock—T J Levister, Greensboro, N C  
 § 1,000. 42—N L Curtis, Durham, N C  
 Williams Chapel—B Young, Middleburg, N C  
 § 50. 25—L Allen, Oxford, N C  
 Youngs Chapel—J N Ray, Franklinton, N C  
 § 50. 20—James Leach, Lemay, N C  
 Youngsville Chapel—Wm Williams, Raleigh, N C  
 § 50. 11—Gertrude Baker, Youngsville, N C

Zion Hill—H B Baldwin, Apex, N C  
 § 200. 40—J H Wilcox, Osgood, N C

57 churches—town, 22; country, 35. Preaching, full time, 50; once per month, 6; no pastor, 1. Totals—valuation, \$22,150; membership, 3,692. Endeavor societies, 5; Sunday schools, 53.

## Eastern Atlantic North Carolina.

(Reported by Secretary Taylor.)

*Territory*—Bounded by the Atlantic coast line down to Cape Fear, and thence up the Wilson short cut to the coast line

Next session, at Union Chapel Church, Nov. 8, 1899.  
*President*, Rev. Joseph Mann, Pamlico, N. C.; *Vice-President and Treasurer*, Rev. A. Small, Pamlico, N. C.; *Secretary*, Rev. F. L. Taylor (Box 54), Newbern, N. C.

### MINISTERS, ADDRESSES, PASTORATES.

Aldridge, I. Newbern, N C—Newbern Mission—Pilgrims Lewis, C, Maribel, N C—Broad Creek [Rest Mann, Joseph, Pamlico, N C—Galilee—Zion Hill Moore, H E, Pamlico, N C—Oriental Mission (Conf?) Small, A, Pamlico, N C—Myrtle Grove—Smalls Chapel—St Antioch  
 Smith, J. H. Maysville, N C—St. Matthew Sutton, A. Pamlico, N C—Oak Grove Sutton, B. Arapahoe, N C—South Creek Mission Taylor, F. L., Newbern, N C—Union Chapel—Watson Williams, M, Stilla, N C—Stilla Mission [Tabernacle Ordained, 7; licentiates, 3.

CHURCH, PASTOR, VALUE, MEMBERS, CLERK. (See p. 100)

Broad Creek—C Lewis, Maribel, N C  
 § 800. 144—H E Moor, Pamlico, N C  
 Cedar Hill—J Onslow (N C), Wilmington, N C  
 § 000. 15—Jacob Onslow, Wilmington, N C  
 Galilee—Joseph Mann, Pamlico, N C  
 § 000. 25—H Hunter, Pamlico, N C  
 Greens Chapel—No pastor  
 § 600. 76—S Green, Fort Barnesville, N C  
 MYRTLE GROVE—A Small, Pamlico, N C  
 § 600. 37—S M Holt, Maysville, N C  
 Newbern Mission—Aldridge, Newbern, N C  
 § 000. 6—No clerk reported  
 Oak Grove—A Sutton, Pamlico, N C  
 § 000. 8—M J Lane, Tuscarora, N C  
 Pilgrims Rest—I Aldridge, Newbern, N C  
 § 200. 54—C A McCabe, North Harlowe, N C  
 Smalls Chapel—A Small, Pamlico, N C  
 § 600. 45—Jeremiah Louick, Arapahoe, N C  
 South Creek Mission—B Sutton, Arapahoe, N C  
 § 200. 4—No clerk reported  
 St Antioch—A Small, Pamlico, N C  
 § 850. 79—J P Squires, Maribel, N C  
 Stilla Mission—M Williams, Stilla, N C  
 § 50. 13—A F Williams, Stilla, N C  
 St Matthew—J H Smith, Maysville, N C  
 § 900. 53—J G Coleman, Pollocksville, N C  
 Union Chapel—F L Taylor, Newbern, N C  
 § 850. 26—Wade Taylor, Coahoma, N C  
 Watson Tabernacle—F L Taylor, Newbern, N C  
 § 1,500. 49—M A Franks, Newbern, N C  
 Zion Hill—Joseph Mann, Pamlico, N C  
 § 350. 48—Daniel Cooper, Pamlico, N C

16 churches—town, 3; country, 13. Preaching, once per month, 15; no pastor, 1. Totals—valuation, \$6,300; membership, 682. Endeavor societies, 2; Sunday schools, 15.

## Eastern Virginia Conference.

(Reported by Secretary Howell)

*Territory*—Eastern and Western Virginia. Comprises part of Nansemond, Isle of Wight, Southampton, Sussex, Surry, Norfolk, Northampton, and Warrick counties.

Next session, at Zion Church, near Holland, Va., November—1899.

*President*, Rev. F. E. Jordan, Holland, Va.; *Secretary*, W. T. Howell, Holland, Va.; *Treasurer*, Wm. H. Reid, Somerton, Va.



REV. S. A. HOWELL, NEWPORT NEWS, VA.  
Eastern Virginia Conference.

MINISTERS, ADDRESSES, PASTORATES.

Banks, P C, Berkley, Va—Little Zion Bethel  
Billups, Berkley, Va—No pastorate  
Booker, Joseph, Windsor, Va—No pastorate  
Copland, Jeston, Whaleyville, Va—Superannuated  
Copland, J M, Suffolk, Va—No pastorate  
Dillard, Isaiah, Furgerson Wharf, Va—Bethany—  
Mercy Seat—Windsor Grove  
Faulk, C, Boxelder, Va—No pastorate  
Faulk, J J, Holland, Va—Union Hill [Stephens  
Ferbee, D E, 34 Columbia St, Portsmouth, Va—St  
Fuller, N, Berkley, Va—No pastorate  
Hamlin, Henry, Airfield, Va—No pastorate  
Howell, S A, 647 22d St, Newport News, Va—Corinth  
Chapel—Westerly Grove  
Jones, J T, Berkley, Va—No pastorate  
Jordan, F E, Holland, Va—Chapel Grove—Laurel  
Hill—Mt Arat—Zion [Olive Branch  
Matthews, W S, Portsmouth, Va—New Hope—New  
McDowell, J, Norfolk, Va—No pastorate  
Miller, D, Suffolk, Va—No pastorate  
Newsome, B F, Eastville, Va—Macedonia  
Parson, J M, Franklin, Va—Holly Spring—Homeville  
—Pleasant Grove  
Steward, J W, Storys, Va—No pastorate  
Sumler, J S, Berkley, Va—Christian Antioch—Provi-  
dence—St Luke  
Vick, E M, Portsmouth, Va—No pastorate [Chapel  
Williams, H W, Rodman, Va—Mt Calvary—St Marthas  
Ordnained, 19; licentiates, 4.

CHURCH, PASTOR, VALUE, MEMBERS, CLERK. (See p. 100)

Bethany—Isaiah Dillard, Furgerson Wharf, Va  
\$ 400. 23—W L Tynes (no postoffice reported)  
Chapel Grove—F E Jordan, Holland, Va  
\$2,000. 24—J J Eby, Windsor, Va  
Christian Antioch—J S Sumler, Berkley, Va  
\$1,200. 73—Calvin Morris, Suffolk, Va [News, Va  
Corinth Chapel—S A Howell, 647 22d St, Newport  
\$2,000. 287—W A Copland, Holland, Va  
Holly Spring—J M Parson, Franklin, Va  
\$ 400. 50—Mrs M E Cheek, Whaleyville, Va  
Homeville—J M Parson, Franklin, Va  
\$ 300. 25—Miss E E Urquhart, Homeville, Va  
Laurel Hill—F E Jordan, Holland, Va  
\$1,000. 125—W T Howell, Holland, Va

Little Zion Bethel—P C Banks, Berkley, Va  
\$ 200. 25—Mrs M C Holcomb, Portsmouth, Va  
Lone Star—No pastor  
\$1,000. 51—L Jones, Norfolk, Va  
Macedonia—B F Newsome, Eastville, Va  
\$ 150. 20—R R Reed, Eastville, Va  
Mercy Seat—Isaiah Dillard, Furgerson Wharf, Va  
\$ 150. 25—P C Walker (no postoffice reported)  
Mt Arat—F E Jordan, Holland, Va  
\$1,000. 128—R J Millett, Suffolk, Va  
Mt Calvary—H W Williams, Rodman, Va  
\$ 50. 10—Lizzie Barber, Mackies, Va  
Mt Lebanon—No pastor  
\$ 200. 35—No clerk reported  
Newhope—W S Matthews, Portsmouth, Va  
\$1,000. 125—Jas H Case, Berkley, Va  
New Olive Branch—W S Matthews, Portsmouth, Va  
\$ 000. 25—No clerk reported  
Parson Hill—Peter Chapel (Conf?), Berlin, Va  
\$ 50. 10—Jas Nickols, Berlin, Va  
Pleasant Grove—J M Parson, Franklin, Va  
\$1,000. 68—I H Harrison, Sebrells, Va  
Providence—J S Sumler, Berkley, Va  
\$2,000. 125—J M Lawton, Berkley, Va  
St Luke—J S Sumler, Berkley, Va  
\$ 800. 100—Frank S Brown, Vicksville, Va  
St Marthas Chapel—H W Williams, Rodman, Va  
\$ 500. 25—Mary Byrd, Quillians, Va  
St Stephens—D E Ferbee, Portsmouth, Va  
\$ 50. 20—W F Griffin, Portsmouth, Va  
Union Hill—J J Faulk, Holland, Va  
\$1,500. 160—F T Ricks, Enterprise, Va  
Westerly Grove—S A Howell, 647 22d St, Newport News,  
\$1,500. 75—W Rainey, Newport News, Va [Va  
Windsor Grove—Isaiah Dillard, Furgerson Wharf, Va  
\$ 200. 35—Miss L B Eavans, Windsor, Va  
Zion—F E Jordan, Holland, Va  
\$2,000. 220—A H Lee, Boxelder, Va

26 churches—town, 4; country, 22. Preaching, full  
time, 2; half time, 2; once per month, 20; no pastor,  
2. Totals—valuation, \$20,950; membership, 2,119.  
Endeavor societies, none; Sunday schools, 23.

Recapitulation—Colored Conferences.

(Last Year)

Ministers, 72; ordained, 54; licentiates, 18. 73  
churches—town, 25; country, 48. Preaching, full  
time, 50; half time, none; once per month, 21; no  
pastor, 2; Valuation, \$27,960; average valuation,  
\$383. Membership, 4,445; average membership, 61.  
Endeavor societies, 6; no Endeavor, 67. Sunday  
schools, 67; no Sunday school, 6.

Recapitulation—Colored Conferences.

(This Year)

Ministers, 91; ordained, 66; licentiates, 25. 99  
churches—town, 29; country, 70. Preaching, full  
time, 52; half time, 2; once per month, 41; no  
pastor, 4. Valuation, \$49,400; average valuation,  
\$499. Membership, 6,193; average membership, 66.  
Endeavor societies, 7; no Endeavor, 92. Sunday  
schools, 91; no Sunday school, 8.

Grand Recapitulation—Eight Districts.

(Last Year)

Ministers, 1,391; ordained, 1,174; licentiates, 217.  
1,424 churches—town, 405; country, 1,019. Preaching,  
full time, 271; half time, 290; once per month, 625;  
no pastor, 278. Valuation, \$1,134,410; average valuation,  
\$1,499. Membership, 107,868; average mem-  
bership, 76. Endeavor societies, 428; no Endeavor,  
996. Sunday schools, 1,259; no Sunday school, 165.

Grand Recapitulation—Eight Districts.

(This Year)

Ministers, 1,452; ordained, 1,230; licentiates, 222.  
1,505 churches—town, 423; country, 1,082. Preaching,  
full time, 279; half time, 283; once per month, 672;  
no pastor, 271. Valuation, \$2,205,000; average valuation,  
\$1,465. Membership, 112,414; average mem-  
bership, 75. Endeavor societies, 381; no Endeavor,  
1,124. Sunday schools, 1,269; no Sunday school, 206.

NOTE.—Here are names and addresses of ministers of the Christian Church as far as reported by conferences. The American Christian Convention of 1894 recommended that only such names as are officially reported by their respective conferences be inserted in the Directory. The following list was almost accurate December, 1898, as printed lists had been sent out to Conference Secretaries, and others, for correction, and a reliable response was received from all those conferences named in the Index. Every Conference Secretary should send us a complete and accurate directory of his conference not later than October 1 of each year. If any minister's name is omitted, he should notify the secretary of his conference, thereby avoiding its omission in next year's Directory.

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*"And I heard a voice from heaven saying unto me, Write. Blessed are the dead which die in the Lord from henceforth: Yea, saith the Spirit, that they may rest from their labors; and their works do follow them."* (Rev. 14: 13).

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Average, 22. Ministers, 1,125; average, 1,220; membership, 222,150; churches, 1,081; country, 1,082. Preaching—full time, 229; half time, 283; no pastor, 271. Total valuation, \$2,553,060. Average, 1,156; membership, 112,411; average, 126; churches, 121; without endowed, 1,121; Sunday schools, 1,200; without Sunday school, 72.

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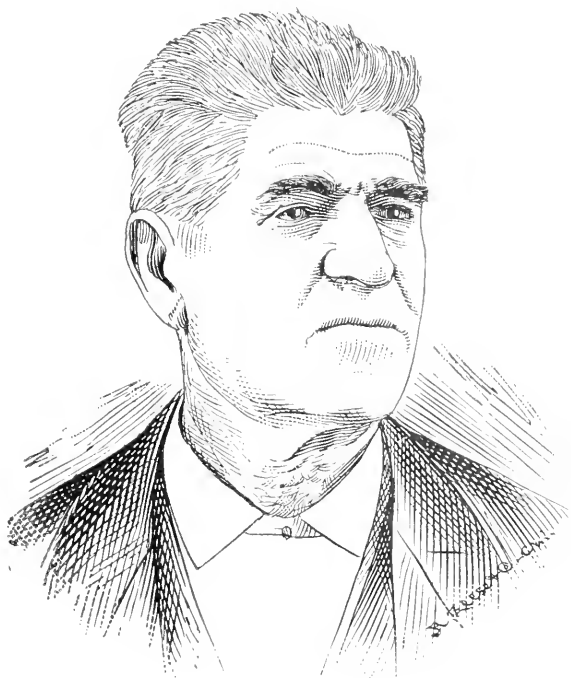
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CONFERENCE.	PLACE AND DATE OF NEXT SES.	PRESIDENT AND HIS ADDRESS.	SECRETARY AND HIS ADDRESS.	Ministers.	Ordina- tion.	Licentiates.	Loss Since Oct. 1, 1896.	Organized Since Oct. 1, 1896.	In Cities and Villages.	Churches in Country.	Preaching Time.	Preaching Half Time.	Preaching Once for Mo. No Factor.	Valuation Average Value.	Membership. Average Number.	Without En- dow- ment.	Without En- dow- ment or Society's Funds.	Sunday Schools.	Without Sunday Schools.
121	Bible Union	Liberty, Oct. 6, 1898.	Pres. Wray, Ellipsis, Ind.	Rev. Alfred Osburn, Ellettsville, Ind.	11	12	1	1	1	1	12	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
122	Indiana Miami Reserve	South Liberty, Sept. 29, 1898.	Dr. J. Johnson, Avon, Ind.	Will R Wilson, State Line, Ind.	14	12	1	1	1	1	12	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
123	Central Indiana	Pleasant Bend, Oct. 6, 1898.	Rev E K Pond, Hartford, Ind.	Rev D O Cuy, Taylorville, Ind.	10	9	1	1	1	1	12	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
124	Central Iowa	Le Grand, Sept. 1, 1898.	E B Frost, Marshalltown, Iowa	Rev D O Cuy, Taylorville, Ind.	24	17	7	6	1	1	12	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
125	Central Iowa	Le Grand, Sept. 1, 1898.	E B Frost, Marshalltown, Iowa	Rev D O Cuy, Taylorville, Ind.	10	13	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10
126	Eastern Atlantic N C (Col)	Broad Creek Chapel, Nov. 5, 1898.	Rev Joseph Mann, Pamlico, N C	Rev F Taylor, Newbern, N C	10	6	1	1	1	1	15	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
127	Eastern Indiana	New Liberty, Sept. 12, 1898.	Rev G W Johnson, Ellettsville, Ind.	Rev S W Miller, Ellettsville, Ind.	26	6	1	1	1	1	19	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
128	Eastern Kentucky	Ellettsville, Sept. 29, 1898.	Rev G W Johnson, Ellettsville, Ind.	M L Carter, Vevay, Ky.	12	11	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
129	Eastern North Carolina	Pleasant Hill, Nov. 10, 1898.	Rev S R Underwood, Sanford, N C	Rev L A Foster, Raleigh, N C	12	11	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
130	Eastern Virginia	Pleasant Grove, Aug. 7, 1898.	Rev W H Long, Elba College, Ind.	Rev J M Burdick, Woodstock, Va.	11	14	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
131	Florida River	Ellettsville, Sept. 29, 1898.	Rev W H Long, Elba College, Ind.	I F Barnes, Huntington, Ind.	12	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
132	Florida River	Ellettsville, Sept. 29, 1898.	Rev W H Long, Elba College, Ind.	Rev J M Burdick, Woodstock, Va.	12	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
133	Florida River	Ellettsville, Sept. 29, 1898.	Rev W H Long, Elba College, Ind.	Rev J M Burdick, Woodstock, Va.	12	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
134	Georgia and Alabama	Phoebe City, Oct. 29, 1898.	Rev Jubilee Smith, Richmond, Ga.	Rev J M Burdick, Woodstock, Va.	12	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
135	Indiana Miami Reserve	South Liberty, Sept. 29, 1898.	Dr. J. Johnson, Avon, Ind.	Rev G W Johnson, Ellettsville, Ind.	14	12	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
136	Kentucky (First)	Blankingship Chapel, Sept. 22, 1898.	Rev F S Jorj, Foxport, Ky.	Rev S H Yazal, Corbin, Ky.	32	29	1	1	1	1	16	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
137	Kentucky (Second)	King Chapel, Sept. 22, 1898.	Rev F S Jorj, Foxport, Ky.	Rev S H Yazal, Corbin, Ky.	32	29	1	1	1	1	16	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
138	Maine	Place not decided, Sept. 1898.	Rev J Walster, Burlington, Minn.	Rev W C Ford, Alton, N. Y.	13	21	1	1	1	1	6	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
139	Merrimack	Place not decided, Oct 1 Oct 1, 1898.	J H Rowell, Franklin, N. H.	Rev Edward Francis, East Grantham, N H	8	8	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
140	Michigan	Place not decided, Sept 23, 1898.	Rev S S Newlinson, Marion, Ind.	Rev E P Jones, Georgetown, N. Y.	6	5	1	1	1	1	2	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
141	Mount Vernon	East Middleton, Aug 25, 1898.	Rev W B Peters, Appleton, Ohio.	Rev E Mudge, Maple Knapp, Ind.	27	29	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
142	Nebaska	Wayland, Sept. 29, 1898.	Rev E W Foster, Appleton, Ohio.	Rev M. Harney, Franklin, Ohio.	11	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
143	New Jersey	Place and date not decided.	Rev S B Felt, Greensburg, N. Y.	Rev H E Young, Centerville, Ohio.	18	17	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
144	New York Central	Place and date not decided.	Rev W B Peters, Appleton, Ohio.	Rev E Mudge, Maple Knapp, Ind.	27	29	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
145	New York Eastern	Place and date not decided.	Rev W B Peters, Appleton, Ohio.	Rev E Mudge, Maple Knapp, Ind.	27	29	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
146	New York Eastern	Place and date not decided.	Rev W B Peters, Appleton, Ohio.	Rev E Mudge, Maple Knapp, Ind.	27	29	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
147	New York Eastern	Place and date not decided.	Rev W B Peters, Appleton, Ohio.	Rev E Mudge, Maple Knapp, Ind.	27	29	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
148	New York Eastern	Place and date not decided.	Rev W B Peters, Appleton, Ohio.	Rev E Mudge, Maple Knapp, Ind.	27	29	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
149	New York Eastern	Place and date not decided.	Rev W B Peters, Appleton, Ohio.	Rev E Mudge, Maple Knapp, Ind.	27	29	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
150	New York Eastern	Place and date not decided.	Rev W B Peters, Appleton, Ohio.	Rev E Mudge, Maple Knapp, Ind.	27	29	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
151	New York Eastern	Place and date not decided.	Rev W B Peters, Appleton, Ohio.	Rev E Mudge, Maple Knapp, Ind.	27	29	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
152	New York Eastern	Place and date not decided.	Rev W B Peters, Appleton, Ohio.	Rev E Mudge, Maple Knapp, Ind.	27	29	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
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156	New York Eastern	Place and date not decided.	Rev W B Peters, Appleton, Ohio.	Rev E Mudge, Maple Knapp, Ind.	27	29	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
157	New York Eastern	Place and date not decided.	Rev W B Peters, Appleton, Ohio.	Rev E Mudge, Maple Knapp, Ind.	27	29	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
158	New York Eastern	Place and date not decided.	Rev W B Peters, Appleton, Ohio.	Rev E Mudge, Maple Knapp, Ind.	27	29	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
159	New York Eastern	Place and date not decided.	Rev W B Peters, Appleton, Ohio.	Rev E Mudge, Maple Knapp, Ind.	27	29	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
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175	New York Eastern	Place and date not decided.	Rev W B Peters, Appleton, Ohio.	Rev E Mudge, Maple Knapp, Ind.	27	29	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1

Conferences reported, 70. Ministers, 1,394—ordained, 1,174; licentiates, 217. De'd since Oct. 1, 1894, 97.— 1,242 churches—town, 406; country, 1,019. Preaching—full time, 241; half time, 290; once per month, 625; no pastor, 258.—Total valuation, \$2,533,440; average valuation, \$1,609; membership, 167,885; average membership, 76. Endowor societies, 425; without Endowor, 966. Sunday schools, 1,289; without Sunday School, 165.





HONORED IN LIFE; MOURNED IN DEATH; CROWNED IN HEAVEN.

Eldest son of the late Henry and Elizabeth Mefford, of Brown County, Ohio, died in Augusta, Kentucky, October 11, 1898, having reached the ripe old age of eighty years and fifteen days. While he and his wife were there on a visit he fell from a neighbor's porch in the dusk of the evening, receiving an injury which produced hemorrhage of the bowels, resulting in his death a few days afterward. He was united in marriage with Miss Nancy Evans March 29, 1840; was converted and joined the Christian Church at Pisgah, near Ripley, Ohio, the same year, under the labors of Elder Alex. McClain. After serving the church faithfully as deacon for several years he and his family moved to near Pleasant Hill Church, where he commenced preaching in 1848, under church license. He united with the Southern Ohio Conference as a licentiate in 1849, and was ordained to the full work of the gospel ministry in 1851. He lived a faithful Christian fifty-eight years and a worthy minister of the gospel fifty years. Dur-

ing all these years his life was above reproach and his character unassailable.

He was a man of strong feeling and deep sympathy in sorrow, and could console where others would fail. This, together with his deeply manifested sincerity, opened his way for an unusual number of funeral services. Perhaps he has visited the sick and aged and prayed with the sorrowing more frequently than any other minister of the Southern Ohio Conference. His name became a household word in many a family whose children loved to see "Uncle George" coming and to hear him sing and pray.

After an affectionate farewell to his family and friends who were present, his last words were: "All is right. Like Job, I am just waiting till my change comes."

The deceased leaves an aged widow and four children, together with many other relatives and friends, to mourn the loss of a true and devoted husband, a kind and affectionate father, a good neighbor, and a faithful brother in the Lord.

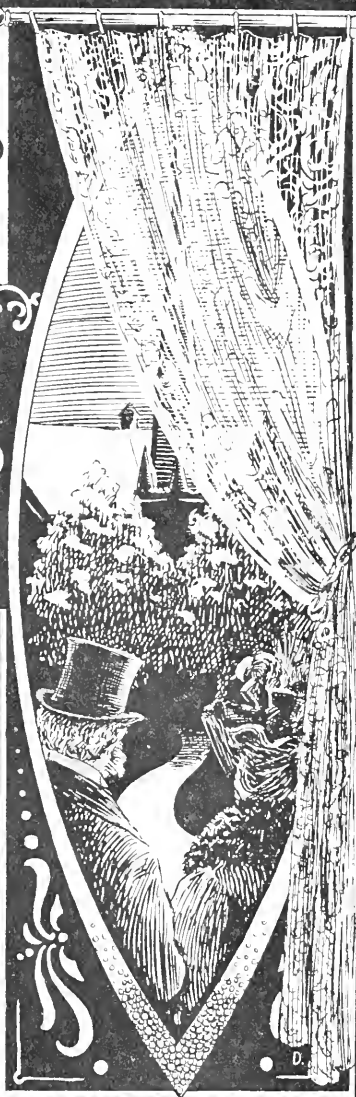
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