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# **MINUTES**

OF THE

# Seventy-eighth Annual Session

OF THE

# Synod of New Jersey

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# **MINUTES**

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The Synod of New Jersey met in Atlantic City, in the First Church, on Tuesday, October 16th, 1900, at 7:30 o'clock P. M.

After devotional services the sermon opening Synod was delivered by the Moderator, Rev. A. Nelson Hollifield, D.D., from Judges 12:6.

At the close of the sermon the sacrament of the Lord's Supper was administered. The services were conducted by the Moderator, who was assisted by Rev. Alexander H. Young, D.D., and Rev. James W. Rogan, D.D., and the following Ruling Elders: Nicholas C. J. English, Garrett DeMott, Charles E. Hall, M.D., Charles K. Lippincott, Philip Doremus, George S. Harding, John S. Stone, Charles B. Boyer, J. G. Breese, Benjamin P. Field, H. Murray Richmond, J. M. Cobb.

In connection with the service an offering was made for the Board of Ministerial Relief.

The Synod was constituted with prayer by the Moderator.

Roll.

The roll was called and the following members were found present:

# Presbytery of Corisco.

MINISTERS—Melvin Fraser, Frank D. P. Hickman—2. ELDERS—None.

## Presbytery of Elizabeth.

MINISTERS—Joseph M. McNulty, D.D., I. Alstyne Blauvelt, D.D., John A. Liggett, D.D., James G. Mason, D.D., Samuel Parry, Harlan G. Mendenhall, D.D., William R. Richards, D. D., Eben B. Cobb, D.D., Samuel J. Rowland, John T. Kerr, Newton W. Cadwell, George Buckle, George F. Greene, Albert E. Wirth (2), Joseph O. McKelvey, John E. Stuchell, Charles B. Condit, Almer W. Karnell, Henry E. Mott, D.D.—19.

ELDERS—Joseph H. Exton, Clinton; George L. Headley, Connecticut Farms; Augustus S. Crane, Elizabeth, First; Nicholas C. J. English, Elizabeth, Second; Joseph Cross, Elizabeth, Westminster; Theron B. Clark, Elizabeth, Greystone; John W. Bingener, Metuchen; L. N. Lovell, Plainfield, Crescent Ave.; J. C. Waters, Rahway, First; B. B. Vail, Rahway, Second; E. P. Tenney, Roselle; Ira B. Bull, Westfield; Marcus A. Brown, Woodbridge; Russell W. Woodward, Elizabeth, Third (2); Adrian Lyon, Perth Amboy (3)—15

## Presbytery of Jersey City.

MINISTERS—Edwin A. Bulkley, D.D., Frank E. Miller, D.D., George R. Garretson, Henry C. Cronin, Charles Herr, D.D., James H. Owens, Henry T. Beatty, Ph.D., Samuel R. McClements, Jacob A. Frey, Philo F. Leavens, D.D., C. Rudolph Kuebler—11.

ELDERS—J. D. Gopsill, Jersey City, Second; James B Carpenter, Rutherford; Garrett De Mott, Tenafly—3.

# Presbytery of Monmouth.

MINISTERS—A. H. Dashiell, D.D., Benj. S. Everitt, D.D., Edward B. Hodge, D.D., Alex. H. Young, D.D., George Swain, D.D., Albert G. Bale, Henry R. Hall, William N. Richie, D.D., Frank R. Symmes, William P. Finney, Joseph E. Curry, Joseph L. Ewing, Harry W. Haring, James A. Matheson, Frank Lukens, Samuel D. Price, Courtlandt P. Butler, James H. Dunham, Joseph G. Symmes, Eugene M. Vannote, Ernest F. Hall (2), Josiah H. Crawford, Hugh K. Fulton, Spencer C. Dickson,

Samuel H. Thompson, LL.D., Herman C. Fox, D.D., Frederick E Stockwell, William Moore—28.

ELDERS—John H Pratt, Allentown; Paul J. Styer, Burlington; Joseph K. Chamberlain, Cranbury, First; J. L Whitaker, M.D., Cranbury, Second; Charles E. Hall, M.D., Freehold; J. Ed. Marryott, Jamesburg; William A. Torrey, Lakehurst; William V. Simpson, Matawan; C. Garrabrandt, M.D., New Gretna; Julius Foster Point Pleasant; A. T. Doremus, Red Bank; John G. Breese, Shrewsbury; S. H. Ingraham, South Amboy (2); William H Reid, Tennent—14.

# Presbytery of Morris and Orange.

MINISTERS—Albert Erdman, D.D., Edward P. Gardner, William W. Halloway, D.D., George P. Noble, Theodore F. Chambers, James F. Riggs D.D., John F. Patterson, D.D., Horace D. Sassaman, George L. Richmond, William H. Woolverton, Stanley White, John M. Thomas, Asa Wynkoop—13.

ELDERS—John L. Brown, Boonton; Richard H. Allen, Chatham; Edward J. Ross, Dover; H. Murray Richmond, East Orange, First; John M. Crane, Mendham, First; Edward H. Williams, Orange, First (2); J. Remsen Lane, Orange, Hillside; S. E. Young, South Orange, First—8.

### Presbytery of Newark.

MINISTERS—V. LeRoy Lockwood, D.D., George C. Seibert, D.D. (2), David R. Frazer, D.D., A. Nelson Hollifield, D.D., Julius H. Wolff, Lyman W. Allen, D.D., J. Garland Hamner, John Hutchison, Joseph F. Folsom, Edwin Fairley, Sartell Prentice, Jr., John A. Higgons, William B Greenway—13.

ELDERS—Philip Doremus, Montelair, Trinity; M. Pier, Newark, Central; W. S. Hartshorne, Newark, First; J. M. Cobb, Newark, Third; R. R. Beam, Newark, Fifth Avenue; Joseph A. Halleck, Newark, Park—6.

# Presbytery of New Brunswick.

MINISTERS—John T. Duffield, D.D. (2), Amzi L. Armstrong, Samuel M. Studdiford, D.D., John B. Kugler, Henry C. Cameron, D.D., Daniel R. Foster, Thomas S. Long, William W. Knox, D.D., Lewis W. Mudge, D.D., James W. Van Dyke, Charles R. Strong, Walter A. Brooks, D.D., William D. Robeson, James W. Rogan, D.D., Titus E. Davis, Samuel McLanahan, Archibald A. Murphy, Hugh B. MacCauley, George H. Ingram, James B. Clark, Samuel H. Potter, J. Hendrick de Vries, D. Ruby Warne (2), Frank B. Everitt, William S. Voor-

hies (2), William Allen, Jr., Robert I. MacBride, Albert Reid, Maitland V. Bartlett, Lewis S. Mudge, Joseph Howell, Vincent Serafini, William I. Campbell—33.

ELDERS—I. S. Lowe, Amwell, First; Peter S. Staats, Amwell, Second; Benjamin P. Field, Bound Brook; George E. Snedeker, Dutch Neck (2); E. C. Sharp, Hamilton Square (2); Frank L. Janeway, New Brunswick, Second; George W. Mount, Kingston; John E. Burd, Pennington; Walter B. Harris, Princeton, First; L. Freund, Princeton, Second; Cornelius Shepherd, M.D., Trenton, Third; William M. Lanning, Trenton, Fourth; George S. Harding, Trenton, Prospect Street; Uriel B. Titus, Trenton, Bethany (2); James Wilkie, Trenton, East Trenton (2)—15.

# Presbytery of Newton.

MINISTERS—William Thomson, E. Clarke Cline, Henry S. Butler, D D., John C. Clyde, D.D., J. De Hart Bruen, Elias B. England, D.D., James B. Umberger, D.D., J. Edward Grant—8.

ELDERS—J. P. Brookfield, Belvidere, First; William H Vail, Blairstown; J. D. Flock, Hackettstown; David R. Hull, Newton; John H. Young, Oxford, First; John S. Stone, Stewartsville—6.

# Presbytery of West Jersey.

MINISTERS—Allen H. Brown, William Aikman, D.D., Henry Reeves, D.D., Frederic R. Brace D.D., J. Bailie Adams (2), Heber H. Beadle, John L. Landis (2), John E. Peters, Sc D. (2), J. H. O'Brien (2), George W. Tomson (2), William J. Bridges, Frederic J. Stanley, D.D. John K. Kilbourn, Frank J. Mundy, D.D., William V. Louderbough, Sylvester W. Beach, Herbert R. Rundall, Arthur W. Spooner, D.D., George L. Van Alen (2) William H. Fishburn, D.D. (2), John McMillan, Robert Westly Peach, Albert K. Staiger, Daniel I. Camp (2), R. Hilliard Gage, Isaac H. Condit, Robert A. Elwood, Walter Everitt Smith Frank S. Brenneman, Samuel W. Steckel—30.

ELDERS—Charles B. Boyer, Atlantic City, First; Charles K Lippincott, Atlantic City, Olivet; Richard Stevenson, Blackwood; James Watson, Brainerd (2); P. Kennedy Reeves, Bridgeton, First; Phœbus W. Lyon, Bridgeton, West; H. I. Budd, Camden, First (2); Daniel J. Rosston, Camden, Second; E. L. Seabrooke, Camden, Calvary; I. E. Iszard, Mays Landing (2); Thomas W. Synott, Wenonah; John S. Jessup, Woodbury—12.

#### CORRESPONDING MEMBERS.

Rev. J. B. Rendall, Rev. George H. S. Campbell, D.D., Rev. Thomas McCauley, Rev. Benj. L. Agnew, D.D., Rev. James A.

Worden, D.D., Synod of Pennsylvania; Rev. Edward C. Ray, D.D., Synod of Illinois—6.

# The summary is as follows:

Presbyteries.	Ministers.	Elders.	Totals.
Corisco,	2		2
Elizabeth,	19	15	34
Jersey City,	1 1	3	14
Monmouth,	28	1 1	42
Morris and Orange,	13	8	2 [
Newark,	13	6	19
New Brunswick,	33	15	48
Newton,	8	6	14
West Jersey,	30	12	42
	157	79	236
Corresponding members,			6
Total attendance,			212

Rev. Melvin Fraser, of the Presbytery of Corisco, Moderator. Vice-Moderator. was elected Moderator, and Rev. Frank D. P. Hickman, of the same Presbytery, Vice-Moderator.

The Committee of Arrangements reported, and the Arrangements. report was accepted and its recommendations adopted, as follows:

- 1. That the sessions of Synod begin at 9 A.M.; that recess be taken from 12:30 to 2:30 P.M., and from 5 to 7:30 P.M.; that the devotional services occupy the last half hour of each of the morning sessions.
- 2. That the following order of business be adopted: The first order for Wednesday morning, an address on behalf of the American Bible Society by Ruling Elder Phæbus W. Lyon; following this the report of the Committee on Foreign Missions; at 10:30 the report of the Committee on Synodical Home Missions; following this an address on behalf of the Board of Ministerial Relief by Rev. Benjamin L. Agnew, D.D.; following this the Necrological Report.
- 3. That at 2:30 on Wednesday afternoon the report of the Committee on Systematic Beneficence be made; following this, at 3 o'clock, the report of the Committee on the Erection of a Memorial Monument in Old Scots Burial-ground; following this an address on behalf of the Board of Aid for Colleges and Academies by Rev. Edward C. Ray, D.D., Secretary of the Board

- 4. That on Thursday morning Synod listen to an address on behalf of the Board of Education, by Rev. Edward B. Hodge, D.D., Secretary of the Board to be followed by a brief address on Mission Work in Mexico, by Rev. Hubert W. Brown. Thursday afternoon, at 2:30, an address on behalf of the Board of Home Missions, by Rev. Lyman W. Allen, D.D., of the Board
- 5. That the evening session of Wednesday be devoted to a popular meeting, at which addresses shall be made as follows: On "China To-Day," by Rev George Cornwell introduced by Rev Wm. R. Richards, D.D., on behalf of the Board of Foreign Missions; on Sabbath-School Work by Rev. James A Worden, D.D.; following this a brief illustrated lecture on Home Missions, by Rev. D. E. Finks, representing the Board; that the evening session of Thursday, providing Synod continues beyond this point, be devoted also to a popular meeting, Rev. D. E. Finks giving an illustrated lecture of one hour on "Alaska and Some Strange People"; following this, addresses by Rev. George Cornwell, of China, and Rev. Melvin Fraser, of West Africa.

After prayer and the benediction, the Synod adjourned until to-morrow at 9:00 o'clock A. M.

Wednesday, October 17th, 9:00 A. M.

The Synod met and, after prayer, resumed business.

The minutes of Tuesday's session were read and the record was approved.

It was made the order of the day to hear the report of the Committee on Sabbath Observance at the close of Dr. Ray's address this afternoon, and the second order of the day to-morrow morning the report of the Committee on Young People's Societies.

The Moderator announced the following Standing Committees:

Minutes.

Arrangements.

Committees,

#### I-BILLS AND OVERTURES.

Ministers—A. Nelson Hollifield, D.D., William W. Knox, D D, E. Clarke Cline, Heber H. Beadle.

Elders-Joseph H. Exton, J. T. Gopsill, William H. Reid.

# II-JUDICIAL BUSINESS.

Ministers—Samuel McLanahan, Alexander H. Young, D.D., Samuel Parry, William H. Woolverton.

Elders-D. J. Rosston, J. P. Brookfield, George S. Harding.

#### III-MINUTES OF THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY.

Ministers—Henry C. Cameron, D.D., George Swain, D.D. Elder—David R. Hull.

## IV-NARRATIVE FOR 1901.

Ministers—Maitland V. Bartlett, Frank Lukens. Elder—J. Remsen Lane.

#### V-FINANCE.

Ministers—James H. Owens, Edward P. Gardner. Elders—John S. Jessup, J. D. Flock.

#### VI-Synodical Home Mission Accounts.

Minister—Lyman W. Allen, D.D. Elder—Edward P. Tenney.

#### VII-RECORDS OF PRESBYTERIES.

Corisco—Rev. I. Alstyne Blauvelt, D.D., Rev. George R. Garretson, Elder Julius Foster.

Elizabeth—Rev. James F. Riggs, D.D., Rev. Edward Fairley, Elder Walter B. Harris.

Jersey City—Rev. William Thomson, Rev. Frederic R. Brace, D.D., Elder Joseph Cross.

Monmouth—Rev. John B. Kugler, Rev C. Rudolph Kuebler, Elder James B. Carpenter.

Morris and Orange—Rev. Frank R. Symmes, Rev. Julius H. Wolff, Elder George W. Mount.

Newark—Rev. Horace D. Sassaman, Rev. Archibald A. Murphy, Elder William H. Vail.

New Brunswick—Rev. Lyman W. Allen, D.D., Rev. James B. Umberger, D.D., Elder E. L. Seabrooke.

Newton—Rev. William Allen, Jr., Rev. William J. Bridges, Elder Nicholas C. J. English.

West Jersey—Rev. Amzi L. Armstrong, Rev. George P. Noble, Elder J. E. Marryott.

Revision of Committees.

The following were appointed a Committee to revise the list of Permanent Committees: Rev. Isaac H. Condit, Elder Garrett DeMott.

Stated Clerk.

The Stated Clerk made his report to Synod as follows:

Records approved.

- 1. That the records of the Synod for 1899 were approved by the General Assembly.
- 2. That sundry papers addressed to the Synod have come into his hands, which, according to rule, are herewith delivered to the Committee on Bills and Overtures.
- 3. That the Synod has deposited in the Broad Street National Bank, of Trenton a box containing papers presented to the Synod at meetings before it became the custom of the Synod to print its records. Some of these papers are doubtless of permanent value, and essential to the completeness of the records. Others are of no value, and should not occupy space which might be used for other storage. The Stated Clerk respectfully recommends that a committee be appointed to examine these papers and report to the Synod at its next meeting what disposition should be made of them.

The report was accepted and its recommendations were adopted.

The Stated and Permanent Clerks were appointed the Committee to examine and report upon the papers of the Synod.

Report of Treasurers. The report of the Treasurer of Trustees of Synod, also of the Treasurer of the Committee on the Erection of a Memorial Monument in the Old Scots Burialground, were presented by Rev. Allen H. Brown. The reports were accepted and referred for audit to the Finance Committee.

Address

Elder Phæbus W. Lyon addressed Synod on behalf of the American Bible Society.

The following resolution, offered by Rev. Samuel American Bible McLanahan, was unanimously adopted, viz.:

Society.

The Synod of New Jersey has heard with interest of the work of the American Bible Society and heartily commends that society to the liberality of the churches as an agency whose work is essential to the spread of the gospel at home and abroad.

The report of the Permanent Committee on Foreign Foreign Missions was presented by Rev. Henry S. Butler, D.D. It was received and its recommendations were adopted as follows:

- 1. The Synod gives thanks to God for substantial progress in Foreign Missions, at home and abroad, even in "troublous times," and for His marvelous preservation of the lives of so many of our missionaries in the midst of extreme danger.
- 2. Our heartfelt sympathy is extended to the families of the martyr missionaries, and to the survivors and the native Christians, in China and elsewhere who are carrying unwonted burdens
- 3 We give renewed expression of confidence in our missions' force and our missions' administration, thankful that the Board and its Secretaries have had strength to endure and wisdom to direct through the stress of the past months.
- 4. To our Woman's Societies, always capable and devoted, we tender thanks for their valuable report and the assurance of our hearty co-operation: to our young people, appreciation of their labors and gifts and encouragement to larger endeavor.
- 5. Recognizing prayer and instruction as mainsprings of progress we press the Monthly Concert upon every church, also the more general use of the magazines and tracts furnished by the church and the Boards. We also recommend special prayer during the week beginning October 28th, with reference to the present crisis in China.
- 6 We give indorsement and promise of help to our Committee in carrying out its projected educational tours by missionaries, welcoming these beloved brethren to our churches and our homes.
- 7. We believe that the time has come for systematic effort to make every member and adherent a regular supporter of missions, and we will exert ourselves to that end

The report of the Committee on Synodical Home Missions was presented by Rev. Eben B. Cobb, D.D.

Synodical Home Missions.

Treasurer

The report of the Treasurer of Synodical Home Missions was also presented.

The Committee offered the following recommendations:

- 1. That, recognizing the valuable services of William M. Lanning, as Treasurer of this fund, and with a desire still longer to retain these services. Synod ratify the arrangement by which, while himself remaining Treasurer of the fund, he delegate much of the work of his position to an assistant.
- 2 That the Permanent Committee on Synodical Home Missions be authorized to devote, out of this fund, for assistance to the Treasurer, a sum not to exceed \$250.
- 3. That Synod now consider the Plan under which your Committee is working, and adopt the suggestions made by your Committee for the revision of this Plan.
- 4. That Presbyteries be asked to contribute this year upon the basis of church membership, as reported in the Minutes of the Assembly for 1900, so that—

the Assembly for 1900, so that—	
From the Presbytery of Elizabeth be asked, at the	
rate of 30 cents per member, the sum of	\$2,848 50
From the Presbytery of Jersey City be asked at the	
rate of 26 cents per member, the sum of	1,889-16
From the Presbytery of Monmouth be asked, at the	
rate of 26 cents per member, the sum of	1,706 64
From the Presbytery of Morris and Orange be asked,	
at the rate of 30 cents per member, the sum of .	3,094 80
From the Presbytery of Newark be asked, at the rate	
of 27 cents per member, the sum of	3,184 92
From the Presbytery of New Brunswick be asked at	
the rate of 30 cents per member, the sum of	2,792 40
From the Presbytery of Newton be asked, at the rate	
of 22 cents per member, the sum of	1,270 66
From the Presbytery of West Jersey be asked, at the	
rate of 26 cents per member, the sum of .	2,009 80
Total,	\$18,802 88
5 That apportionments be made as follows:	

5. That apportionments be made as follows:

For	adı	ninistration	ı e	xpenses,	\$600 00
				Elizabeth,	
			4.4	Jersey City,	2 600 00
4.4		4 4	"	Monmouth,	4.000 00
	• •	4.6		Morris and Orange,	1,800 00
1 5	6 4	6.4		Newark,	1.850 00

To	the	Presbytery	of	New Brunswick, \$1,200	OO C
4.6	* 1	• •	4.6	Newton,	00 0
4.6	" "		4 6	West Jersey,	OO C
		Total, .		\$18,75	00 0

6. That Synod calls the attention of its churches to the superlative importance of having the offering for Synodical Home Missions reach the Treasurer of the fund as early in the fiscal vear as possible.

The report was accepted and the recommendations were adopted, the first of them by a rising vote.

The revised Plan, proposed in the third recommenda- Plan for tion, was considered and adopted, and is as follows:

Synodical Home Missions.

#### I—CONTRIBUTIONS TO THE BOARD OF HOME MISSIONS.

Each church within the bounds of the Synod of New Jersey is enjoined to take up, annually, at least one collection for the Board of Home Missions.

#### H-Contributions to Synodical Home Missions.

Each church within the bounds of the Synod of New Jersey shall also take up, annually at least one collection for Synodical Home Missions: provided, however, that if in the judgment of the Session of any church it is impracticable or inexpedient to take separate collections for the Board of Home Missions and for Synodical Home Missions, then at least one collection shall be taken annually for both these objects, and the Session may apportion to the Synodical Home Mission Work such a sum out of this collection as may, in their judgment, be proper.

# III-RELATION OF SYNODICAL HOME MISSIONS TO THE HOME BOARD.

It is the purpose of this Plan to provide all necessary aid to ministers, missionaries, churches and missions within the bounds of this Synod, without resorting to the Board of Home Missions.

#### IV-PERMANENT COMMITTEE ON SYNODICAL HOME MISSIONS.

The Synod shall have a Permanent Committee on Synodical Home Missions which shall consist of the Chairmen of the Presbyterial Committees having charge of Synodical Home Mission Work.

This Committee shall meet at least annually before the meeting of Synod, to make an estimate of the amount needed to carry on the work of Synodical Home Missions for the ensuing year; to recommend to Synod the amounts to be asked from and appropriated to each Presbytery for Synodical Home Mission Work during the ensuing year; and to devise and carry out such measures as may be deemed wise to secure these amounts.

#### V-APPROPRIATIONS BY SYNOD.

Upon hearing the report of their Permanent Committee on Synodical Home Missions, the Synod shall determine annually the amounts to be asked from the several Presbyteries, and the amounts to be appropriated to such Presbyteries for Synodical Home Mission Work. Each Presbytery is expected to cooperate heartily with its Committee both in raising and distributing these amounts.

#### VI-Duties and Powers of Presbyteries.

- 1. Each Presbytery shall authorize the expenditure of the amount appropriated to it, for the aid of churches and missions and for the support of missionary work, in such manner as it may deem proper.
- 2. Presbytery shall endeavor to group contiguous churches receiving aid from this fund, and it shall be specially binding on Presbytery to group such churches when there is no near prospect of their attaining self support.
- 3. Ordinarily Presbytery shall require from each aid-receiving church a total contribution to the salary of the Pastor at least equal to an average of \$6.50 per member, exceptions to this rule being allowed only upon special vote of Presbytery.
- 4. The Presbyterial Committee having charge of Synodical Home Missions shall have personal conference with the elders of any church applying for aid before recommending such church to the Presbytery.
- 5. The Presbyterial Committee having charge of Synodical Home Missions shall instruct each church receiving aid from this fund that, where possible, it is its duty to come gradually and rapidly to self-support, and that ordinarily it must expect gradual reductions in the amounts appropriated to it.
- 6. If, for any reason, a Presbytery shall fail to use the whole of its appropriation within the year for which it may be made, the unused balance shall fall into and be credited to the general fund in the Treasurer's hands, and be liable to re-appropriation by the Synod for the next succeeding year.

#### VII-DUTY OF STATED CLERK OF SYNOD.

The Stated Clerk of Synod shall certify to the Treasurer, annually, the appropriations made by Synod to the several Presbyteries for Synodical Home Mission work.

#### VIII-ORDERS UPON THE TREASURER.

It shall be the duty of each pastor, stated supply and Presbyterial Missionary, receiving aid from the Synodical Home Mission Fund, to make to the Chairman of the Committee having charge of Synodical Home Missions in the Presbytery within whose bounds he labors, full quarterly reports on December 31st, March 31st, June 30th and September 25th of each year; and upon the receipt and approval of every such report such Chairman shall draw his order upon the Treasurer, in favor of the pastor, stated supply, or Presbyterial Missionary making such report, for the quarterly sum due.

All other moneys authorized to be expended by any Presbytery for the aid or support of churches or mission work, may be drawn from the treasury upon orders made by such Chairman in favor of himself, or in favor of the ministers or missionaries performing service; but all moneys drawn by any Chairman on orders payable to himself shall be accounted for by an annual report, to be deposited, with vouchers, with the Treasurer on October 1st of each year, to the end that such report and vouchers may by the Treasurer be laid before the Standing Committee on Synodical Home Mission Accounts for examination and audit, which Committee, after examination of such report and vouchers, and on being satisfied of their correctness, shall return the vouchers to such Chairman.

#### IX—ELECTION AND DUTIES OF TREASURER.

The Synod shall elect a Treasurer of Synodical Home Missions from within its own bounds, and subject to its control, for such term and under such conditions as it may from time to time determine. He shall give a bond to the Trustees of the Synod of New Jersey, conditioned for the faithful performance of his duties as such Treasurer, which bond shall be in such sum and with such sureties as shall be approved by the Permanent Committee liaving charge of Synodical Home Missions, and after being so approved, shall be filed with the Treasurer of said Trustees. Any premium required to be paid in obtaining such bond shall be paid out of the funds in the hands of the Treasurer of Synod.

The Treasurer of this fund shall receive all the funds contributed for Synodical Home Missions and make payments only upon orders drawn as herein above prescribed; provided, however, that he may pay all bills for administration expenses out of the appropriation for that purpose without orders therefor

#### X-FISCAL YEAR.

The fiscal year shall begin on the first day of October and end on the thirtieth day of September.

Accounts approved.

The Committee to audit Synodical Home Mission Accounts made its report through Rev. George P. Noble, recommending the approval of the accounts. The report was received and the recommendation was adopted.

Address.

Rev. Benjamin L. Agnew, D.D., addressed the Synod on behalf of the Board of Ministerial Relief.

Arrangements.

It was made the order of the day for to-morrow morning, following the report of the Permanent Committee on Young People's Societies, to hear the Narrative.

Necrology.

The order of the day having arrived, the Synod engaged in devotional exercises for half an hour, led by the Moderator. In connection with this service the Necrological Report was read, in part, by Rev. Sylvester W. Beach, and, pending the reading, Synod took recess until 2:30 o'clock P. M.

WEDNESDAY, 2:30 P. M.

Synod re-assembled and, after prayer, proceeded to business.

Bills and Overtures. The Committee on Bills and Overtures made a report recommending that a complaint of James Moore against the Presbytery of Jersey City be referred to the Committee on Judicial Business. The report was received and its recommendation was adopted.

The report of the Treasurer of Synod was presented, Treasurer. was received and referred for audit to the Committee on Finance

The report of the Committee on Systematic Benefi- Systematic cence was presented by Rev. Thomas S. Long. It was received and its recommendations were adopted as follows:

- 1. That the Synod of New Jersey endorse the action of the last Assembly, which "earnestly calls upon our great church to celebrate the opening of the twentieth century by an advance to the true ideal of Christian giving, at least so far as to secure from every church member an offering for each of our eight That for the attainment of this end the pastors and sessions \* \* \* set to work early and systematically and use their utmost endeavors throughout the whole year."
- 2. That as an aid in this direction the Synod would urge the ministers and elders to make the most zealous efforts to secure an extensive circulation among the people of our church magazine, "The Assembly Herald," also of those most excellent and helpful publications of the Woman's Boards, "Woman's Work for Woman," "Home Mission Monthly" and "Over Sea and Land," and that they would distribute freely through the churches the instructive and stimulating leaflets furnished gratuitously, on request, by each of our Boards.
- 3 The Synod realizes the utter futility of all its counsels unless they be cordially accepted by the leaders and overseers of the people It therefore solicits a cheerful co-operation, and calls the brethren to the exercise of faith and prayer and a loyal endeavor fully to meet the Assembly's summons.

The report of the Permanent Committee on Histor-Historical ical Materials and the Joint Committee on raising funds for the erection of the Presbyterian Historical Monument was presented by Rev. Allen H. Brown. It was received and its recommendations were adopted as follows:

Monument.

1. That the Joint Committee of twenty-one be discharged and that the Permanent Committee on Historical Materials, one from each Presbytery, be continued as heretofore.

- 2. That the care of the Historical Monument be committed to the Trustees of the Synod, who hold the title to the site on which it stands.
- 3. In view of the necessity of securing a fund for the perpetual preservation of the Presbyterian Historical Monument erected by the Synod of New Jersey in the Old Scots Burialground, within the bounds of the Presbytery of Monmouth, be it

Resolved That Synod during the present fiscal year raise the sum of \$1,000, this money to be placed in the hands of the Trustees of Synod, and by them invested, the interest therefrom to be used for the preservation of the monument and the care of the grounds, or such other purposes as the Synod may direct.

To facilitate the securing of this fund be it further

Resolved. That the sum be apportioned to the various Presbyteries in the following ratio, the Presbyteries being requested to raise these sums, employing in so doing such methods as may seem to them wise: Elizabeth, \$135; Monmouth, \$135; Morris and Orange, \$135; West Jersey, \$125; Newark, \$135; Jersey City, \$100; New Brunswick, \$135; Newton, \$100; transmitting the money, when raised, to the Treasurer of the Trustees of Synod, Rev. Allen H. Brown, and that the Stated Clerk of Synod be requested to notify the Stated Clerks of the various Presbyteries of this action.

- 4. That a concise history of the monument already prepared by the Rev. Hugh B. MacCauley a member of the Committee, be printed in the Appendix to the Minutes of Synod
- 5. Resolved, That the Trustees of Synod be hereby authorized to make arrangements for the satisfactory disposal and location of the John Boyd tombstone in the fire-proof room of the Presbyterian Historical Society, at Philadelphia, with the distinct understanding that in so disposing of the stone it be considered as a loan, and that it shall remain under the control of the Synod of New Jersey.

Thanks.

The following resolution was unanimously adopted:

Resolved, That the Synod extends its hearty thanks to the Joint Committee on raising funds for the erection of an Historical Monument in the Old Scots Burial-ground, and in particular to the Executive Committee, for the unremitting, arduous and often perplexing labors which have now resulted in the erection of the noble and fitting memorial in the Old Scots ground.

Bills and Overtures. The Committee on Bills and Overtures made a report recommending as to a Memorial of Rev. Wm. N. Richie, D.D., first, that in so far as the paper relates to the

method of administration of Synodical Home Missions in the Presbytery of Monmouth, it be referred to the Permanent Committee on Synodical Home Missions; Memorial, Rev. and, second, that in reference to other matters referred D.D. to in the Memorial, no action be taken, inasmuch as no formal appeal or complaint has been filed.

The report was received and its recommendations were adopted.

The Committee on Judicial Business reported that Judicial the complaint of James Moore against the Presbytery James Moore. of Jersey City has been duly filed in proper form, and recommended that it be found in order, and that it be referred to a Judicial Commission for trial. The report was received and its recommendations were adopted.

The following were appointed as members of the Commission ·

Ministers - Alexander H. Young, D.D., Samuel Parry, William H. Woolverton, Isaac H. Condit, James W. Rogan, D.D., John F. Patterson, D.D., E. Clarke Cline.

Elders-Joseph Cross, Joseph A. Halleck, D. J. Rosston, David R. Hull, George S. Harding.

Rev. Edward C. Ray, D.D., addressed the Synod on Address. behalf of the Board of Aid for Colleges and Academies.

The Committee on Bills and Overtures reported, recommending that an appeal and likewise a complaint of Rev. Win. N. Richie, D.D., against the Presbytery of Monmouth be referred to the Committee on Judicial Business. The report was received and its recommendation was adopted.

Appeal and Complaint.

The Committee on Sabbath Observance made its Sabbath report, which was received and its recommendations were adopted as follows:

Observance.

1. That this Synod reaffirms its belief in the perpetual obligation of God's command to keep holy the Sabbath day.

- 2. That we appeal to all who have authority in our schools, colleges and other seminaries of learning to secure it, as far as possible, that all secular studies be laid aside on the Lord's day
- 3. That we affectionately entreat all members of our churches and young people's societies and Sabbath-schools to join with whole heart in the warfare for right Sabbath observance; to use their influence in all possible ways, that others give the time to noblest ends, to worship and growth of soul and exaltation of Jesus' name.
- 4. That we respectfully ask all employers in our State to consider the wisdom of giving their employees a half-holiday on the Saturdays of the year, for the sake of the Sabbath as a spiritual day.
- 5. That we approve heartily the work of the American Sabbath Union and bespeak for it the sympathy and co operation of our people.
- 6. That we endorse the resolution of the General Assembly requesting our pastors to preach a sermon on the Sabbath on some Sabbath in April, and if the way be clear, to make an offering for the American Sabbath Union.
- 7. That we congratulate the brethren of Atlantic City in view of the excellent work accomplished within the past year and commend their courage and wisdom as worthy of all praise and imitation.

Foreign Populations. The report of the Committee on Work among Foreign Populations was presented by Rev. Albert Erdman, D.D., and was accepted. In connection with the report Rev. George C. Seibert, D.D., addressed the Synod in the interest of Bloomfield Theological Seminary.

Synod took recess, after prayer and the benediction, until 7:30 P. M.

Wednesday, 7:30 o'clock P. M.

Synod met and resumed business.

Judicial Business. The Committee on Judicial Business presented a report upon certain papers referred to it. The report was accepted and its recommendations adopted as follows:

I. That a petition of sundry members of the church of Point Rev. Wm N. Pleasant, in the Presbytery of Monmouth, in the matter of a Richie, D.D. memorial of the Rev. William N. Richie, D.D., be referred to the Committee on Synodical Home Missions, to whom the memorial has already been referred.

- 2. That an appeal of the Rev. William N. Richie, D.D., against the Presbytery of Monmouth be dismissed, for the reason that there was no judicial decision of the Presbytery from which an appeal could be taken.
- 3. That a complaint of the Rev. William N. Richie, D.D., against the Presbytery of Monmouth be found in order and that a Judicial Commission be appointed to try the case.

The Moderator announced the following as members of the Judicial Commission called for by the report, viz.:

Ministers—I. Alstyne Blauvelt, D.D., James H. Owens, George Buckle, Julius H. Wolff, Amzi L. Armstrong, Henry S. Butler, D.D., Henry Reeves, D.D.

Elders-James B. Carpenter, John L. Brown, E. T. Ross, Uriel B. Titus, John S Stone.

After devotional exercises the Synod listened to Addresses. addresses upon Foreign Missions by Rev. Wm. R. Richards, D.D., and Rev. George Cornwell.

The report of the Permanent Committee on Sabbath Sabbath-school School Work was presented by Rev. Henry C. Cronin. It was received, and the consideration of its recommendations was placed upon the docket as the fifth order of the day for to-morrow morning.

In connection with the report Synod was addressed by Rev. James A. Worden, D.D., Superintendent of Sabbath-School Work.

Synod also listened to an illustrated address upon Home Missions by Rev. D. E. Finks.

Synod then adjourned, with prayer, to meet to-morrow morning at 9:00 o'clock.

THURSDAY, October 18th, 9:00 A.M.

The Synod met, and, after prayer, resumed business.

The minutes of yesterday's sessions were read and approved.

Judicial Commission. The Judicial Commission appointed to try the judicial case, James Moore against the Presbytery of Jersey City, reported as follows, and the report was accepted:

James Moore.

The Judicial Commission appointed to try the following judicial case, viz., James Moore, complainant, and the Presbytery of Jersey City, respondent, beg leave to report that the complaint was not sustained and that the accompanying document is a full minute of the Commission's proceedings.

ALEXANDER H. YOUNG, Chairman.

The Moderator, or, in his absence, the Stated Clerk, was authorized to appoint a Committee to defend this action in the event of the case being carried by appeal or complaint to the General Assembly.

Judicial Commission. The Judicial Commission appointed to try the complaint of Rev. William N. Richie, D.D., against the Presbytery of Monmouth reported as follows, and the report was accepted:

Rev. Wm. N. Richie, D.D. The Judicial Commission appointed by the Synod of New Jersey, to whom was referred the complaint of the Rev. William N. Richie, D.D., against the action of the Presbytery of Monmouth on the memorial of the complainant, would respectfully report.

The case, in accordance with the provisions of the Book of Discipline, was entertained, both parties were heard and judgment was rendered as follows:

The complaint against the action of the Presbytery of Monmouth is not sustained.

I. ALSTYNE BLAUVELT Chairman. Julius H. Wolff, Clerk.

Trustees.

Rev. Hugh Smythe having resigned as a Trustee of Synod, the Stated Clerk was directed, by a unanimous vote, to cast the ballot of the Synod for Rev. Stanley White. The ballot was so cast, and Rev. Stanley White was elected a Trustee.

Rev. Edward B. Hodge, D.D., addressed Synod on Education, behalf of the Board of Education.

The following resolution, offered by Rev. George Swain, D.D., was adopted:

Resolved. That Synod reaffirms its confidence in the aims and management of the Board of Education, and pledges itself to increased prayer and effort in its behalf.

The Synod, by a rising vote, expressed its sympathy with Dr. Hodge in his sorrow on account of the reported death of his son by the hands of the Boxers in China.

In the absence of Rev. Hubert W. Brown the Synod Temperance. passed to the next order of the day, and the report of the Permanent Committee on Temperance was presented by Rev. J. DeHart Bruen. It was accepted, and the following resolution as to the report was adopted, viz.:

That the report be recommitted with instructions to the Committee to report later to this body, with the omission of all reference to the Government or the canteen.

The Committee on Bills and Overtures made a Bills and report, which was accepted and its recommendations adopted, as follows:

- I. As to an overture from the Presbytery of Monmouth, asking for the appointment of a Permanent Committee on "Applied Christianity" to co-operate with other churches in all proper measures of reform, the Committee recommend the appointment of such Committee, consisting of three ministers and two elders.
- 2. That a communication of Rev. Wm. H. Roberts, Stated Clerk of the General Assembly, be referred to the Committee on the Minutes of General Assembly.
- 3. That a letter from the Woman's Temperance Association of Pennsylvania be referred to Synod's Committee on Temperance.

4. That in respect to the Annual Report of Woman's Work for Home Missions in the Synod of New Jersey, and the Report of the Twenty-third Annual Meeting of the Woman's Synodical Society for Foreign Missions, the Committee recommend the adoption of the following minute:

Woman's Work,

- (1.) That, on review of the reports, the Synod of New Jersey congratulates the women of the Home and Foreign Missionary Societies on the zeal with which they have prosecuted their important work and the great success that has crowned their efforts; and prays that the rich blessing of the Great Head of the Church may ever rest upon these societies.
- (2.) That the Annual Report of the Woman's Synodical Society for Foreign Missions be referred to the Committee on Foreign Missions.
- (3.) That these reports be placed in the hands of the Stated Clerk, with authority to print one hundred copies each for the use of these societies.

Finance.

The Finance Committee presented its report, which was accepted, and its recommendation was adopted, as follows:

The Finance Committee respectfully report that they have carefully examined the accounts of the Treasurer of Synod, of the Historical Monument Fund and of the Trustees of Synod: that they have compared the payments with the vouchers, and have found all correct. The Committee recommend that the apportionments of the Presbyteries for Synodical expenses be the same as last year, viz.:

Presbytery of	Elizabeth,	\$60 00
4.4	Jersey City,	50 00
"	Monmouth,	45 00
4.6	Morris and Orange,	60 00
* *	Newark,	60 <b>c</b> o
4.4	New Brunswick,	60 00
+ 4	Newton	45 00
4.4	West Jersey,	50 00

Young People's Societies The report of the Permanent Committee on Young People's Societies was presented by Rev. Hugh B. Mac-Cauley. It was accepted and its recommendations were adopted, as follows:

I That we remind our Sessions that there are many appeals being made to our societies that are likely to draw away their attention from their own church, and many influences operating to undermine their consecration, and we urge our Sessions to get into closest touch with their young people, in order to guide and help them on to the best things.

- 2. That we commend our Young People's Societies for the good works which they are doing, and remind them that as young Presbyterians God has given to them great privileges and duties, and we call upon them to come up heartily and fully to the help of the Lord against the mighty, and to make sure that their own church shall lack nothing which they can supply.
- 3. That while we commend to their attention and support all the Boards of our Church, we would emphasize the needs of Synodical Home Missions, and suggest that each Society be requested, subject to the advice of Session, to make a Thanksgiving offering of at least three dollars for this work.

The Moderator announced the membership of the Applied Committee on Applied Christianity, as follows:

Christianity.

Ministers-Rev. John Dixon, D.D., Rev. David R. Frazer, D.D, Rev. Stanley White.

Elders-E. D. Shepherd, Horace Churchman.

Synod engaged in devotional exercises for half an hour, led by Rev. Charles Herr, D.D., and immediately thereafter took recess until 2:30 o'clock P.M.

THURSDAY, 2:30 P. M.

Synod met, and, after prayer, proceeded to business.

Rev. John M. Thomas read the report of the Com- Narrative. mittee on Narrative, and the report was approved.

Rev. Lyman W. Allen, D.D., addressed the Synod on Address. behalf of the Board of Home Missions.

The Permanent Committee on Temperance, to which Temperance. its former report was recommitted, made a report which was accepted and approved, and its recommendations were adopted, as follows:

- 1. That we urge upon both ministers and churches the renewed and careful study of this subject; and we especially request their examination of the work, resources and possibilities of the Assembly's Committee on Temperance.
- 2. That we call attention to the observance of Temperance Day, October 28th, as recommended by the Assembly, for which its Committee has prepared an excellent order of service.
- 3. That while we rejoice in the exclusion of liquors from the navy, we urge upon Congress the passage of such laws as will banish intoxicants from the army.
- 4. That we protest against the introduction of American and other liquors and the American saloon system into the territory recently acquired by the United States, and we express the hope that in the final organization of the new governments these evils may be excluded.

Sabbath-school Work. The consideration of the resolutions recommended by the Committee on Sabbath-School Work was now taken up and the recommendations were adopted, as follows:

- I. That Synod reaffirms its recommendation of the Twentieth Century Movement during this, its closing year, and urges its Sunday-schools to make special and continuous effort to gather in the more than fifty per cent. of the children of school age in the State of New Jersey who are yet outside of the Sunday-school, in order that the desired result may be reached, of gathering into our Presbyterian Sunday-schools five hundred thousand new scholars by April 1st, 1901.
- 2. That we recommend the observance of Children's Day, the second Sabbath of June, and Rallying Day, the last Sabbath of September; and that liberal offerings be made on these days for the mission work of our Board of Publication and Sabbath-school Work.
- 3. That in view of the increased interest in the study of the Westminster Shorter Catechism, as evidenced by the fact that during the past year the Board awarded a prize of a Teachers' Bible to 1,790 scholars of our Sunday-schools, under eighteen years of age, who have been certified to the department as having correctly recited the entire Shorter Catechism, we recommend to Church Sessions Sunday-school Superintendents and parents the great importance of teaching the Shorter Catechism to the children of the church.
- 4. That our Committee on Sabbath-school Work be directed to examine the annual reports and other official publications of the New Jersey Sunday-school Association, and to report such

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facts concerning its aims, methods and needs as the said Committee deems worthy of Synod's attention

The reading of the Necrological Report, suspended Necrology. vesterday, was continued, and at its close the report was accepted. The Synod was led in prayer by Rev. Henry S. Butler, D.D.

The Committee on Synodical Home Missions made Rev. Wm N. a report on the Memorial of Rev. William N. Richie, D.D., which was accepted and its recommendation adopted, as follows:

Richie, D.D.

The Permanent Committee on Synodical Home Missions reports, concerning the memorials of Rev. William N. Richie and of certain members of the congregation of the Point Pleasant church, referred to said Committee, that neither of said memorials contains any specific charge or suggestion of irregular or unwise distribution of Synodical Home Mission funds within the Presbytery of Monmouth; and that all the statements in these memorials concerning Synodical Home Missions relate to matters which, under the Plan of carrying on our Synodical Home Mission work, are vested absolutely in the Presbytery.

We therefore recommend that no action by this Synod concerning the aforesaid memorials, so far as they relate to Synodical Home Missions, is either necessary or expedient.

The records of the Presbyteries of Corisco, Eliza-Records beth, Jersey City, Morris and Orange, Newark, New Brunswick, Newton, West Jersey, were approved.

Approved

The report of the Committee upon the Records of Monmouth. the Presbytery of Monmouth was adopted as follows:

The Committee on the Minutes of the Presbytery of Monmouth recommend the approval of the Minutes, with the exception of the record on page 326, where it appears that censure was pronounced on Rev. William N. Richie, D.D., in his absence and prior to the consideration of his case by the Presbytery.

It was resolved to continue the session of Synod until the business be finished.

Minutes General Assembly, The Committee on the Minutes of the General Assembly made a report, which was accepted and is as follows:

The Committee on the Minutes of the General Assembly of 1900 respectfully report:

First. That, with a single exception there was no important action of the General Assembly that concerns the Synod as a Synod We would, however, call the attention of the Presbyteries to those matters which have been referred to them for their careful consideration.

In the matter of the appeal and complaint of the Rev. James G. Mason, D,D., against the Synod of New Jersey, for approving the action of a Presbytery in excusing a candidate for the ministry from the Latin exegesis as one of the parts of trial for licensure, the action was approved and the appeal was dismissed.

Second. That, with regard to a communication from the General Assembly concerning the religious instruction of youth in State institutions, the Committee, in view of the fact that there are no State colleges or universities within the bounds of the Synod, and that the students of the agricultural department of Rutgers College, which is supported by the State, are thoroughly provided with religious instruction, respectfully recommend that no action be taken by the Synod

Custodians.

The Report of the Custodians of Historical Materials was presented and ordered printed without reading.

Nassau Hall.

The Committee on the erection of a tablet on Nassau Hall, Princeton, made a verbal report, which was accepted, and in connection therewith the following resolution was adopted, viz.:

Resolved, That the Synod has heard with pleasure the report of its Committee on the placing of an historical tablet upon Nassau Hall, Princeton, and continues the Committee with the addition of the Rev. John Dixon, D.D., and the Rev. David R. Frazer, D.D., with the hope that the object proposed may be speedily accomplished.

The Committee to revise the list of the Permanent Committees made its report, which was accepted and is as follows. (See list of Committees in Appendix.)

It was resolved that the statistical reports be printed without reading.

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Atlantic City, Olivet Church, was chosen as the place Next meeting of the next meeting of Synod.

The Treasurer was directed to pay the usual bills and salaries.

The following resolution of thanks was unanimously Thanks. adopted:

The Synod of New Jersey, appreciating the comfort and convenience with which it has been able to carry forward the work of this session, adopted the following resolutions:

- 1. That we extend our most hearty thanks to the pastor and officers of the First Church for the use of this building and to the other churches of this city which have contributed to the success of this session.
- 2. That we thank the Presbyterian and other friends, of the homes and hotels of this city, who have made our entertainment so pleasant and inexpensive.
- 3. That we thank the pages and all others who have so faithfully attended to the minor wants of this body while in session. That we record our appreciation of the good services of the daily newspapers, which have so generously kept our work before the public. We would specially thank the Philadelphia "Ledger" for its free distribution of copies of to-day's issue to the members of Synod.

The Permanent Clerk reported that there had been Attendance in attendance 157 Ministers, 79 Ruling Elders and 6 Corresponding Members, in all 242.

The following have been excused for absence:

#### FROM THE PRESENT MEETING.

Elizabeth-Minister Ezra F. Mundy.

Monmouth—Ministers Chas. H. McClellan, D.D., Horace G. Hinsdale, D.D., Charles Everett, D.D., John H. Bradley, D.D., Thaddeus Wilson, D.D., and Elder Hugh B. Ely.

Morris and Orange—Ministers John H. Scofield, William Hollinshed, Baker Smith, D.D.

Newark—Ministers Albert Edwin Keigwin, H. C. Vanderbeck, George L. Curtis.

New Brunswick—Ministers John Dixon, D.D., Benjamin H. Everitt, Joseph H. Dulles.

West Jersey-Minister George L. Smith.

#### AFTER WEDNESDAY MORNING.

Elizabeth-Minister John E Stuchell.

#### AFTER WEDNESDAY AFTERNOON.

Elizabeth-Elder Edward P. Tenney.

Jersey City-Minister Philo F. Leavens, D.D.

Monmouth—Ministers Ernest F. Hall, Herman C. Fox, D.D., Elders Charles E. Hall, M.D., S. H. Ingraham

Morris and Orange-Minister George L. Richmond.

New Brunswick—Minister Samuel McLanahan, Elder James Wilkie.

Newton—Minister James B. Umberger, D.D.

West Jersey-Ministers Arthur W. Spooner, D.D., George W. Tomson, Elder J. S. Jessup.

#### AFTER WEDNESDAY EVENING.

Elizabeth—Ministers William R. Richards, D.D., John A. Liggett, D.D., Elder J. W. Bingener.

Monmouth—Minister Frederick E. Stockwell, Elder J. K. Chamberlain.

New Brunswick-Minister James B. Clark.

Newton-Minister William Thomson.

West Jersey-Elder P. Kennedy Reeves.

#### AFTER THURSDAY MORNING.

Elizabeth—Ministers George Buckle, Henry E. Mott, D.D., Samuel J. Rowland, I. Alstyne Blauvelt, D.D., C. B. Condit, Elders Joseph Cross, Adrian Lyon, Ira B. Bull, Theron B. Clark, Joseph H. Exton.

Jersey City—Ministers Geo. R. Garretson, C. Rudolph Kuebler, Charles Herr, D.D., Franklin E. Miller, D.D., Henry C. Cronin, Elder Garrett De Mott

Monmouth-Elders John H. Pratt, Julius Foster.

Morris and Orange—Ministers Theo. F. Chambers, Wm. H. Woolverton, Elder E. J. Ross.

Newark-Ministers Sartell Prentice, David R. Frazer, D.D., Edwin Fairley, Elders W. S. Hartshorne, R. R. Beam.

New Brunswick—Ministers James W. Rogan, D.D., John B. Kugler. Thomas S. Long, J. Hendrick de Vries, James W. Van Dyke, Joseph Howell, Elders L. Freund, Wm. M. Lanning, George H. Mount, E. C. Sharp.

Newton-Elder David R. Hull.

West Jersey-Ministers Wm. J. Bridges, Heber H. Beadle, Wm. H. Fishburn, D.D., Elder R. M. Stevenson.

#### DURING THURSDAY AFTERNOON.

Etizabeth—Ministers Almer W. Karnell, Eben B. Cobb, D.D., Albert E. Wirth, Jacob A. Frey, Elder J. C. Waters.

Jersey City—Ministers Jas. H. Owens Samuel R McClements.

Monmouth—Ministers Henry R. Hall, Jos. E. Curry, Jos. L.

Ewing, Albert G. Bale, Alfred H. Dashiell, D.D., Edward B.

Hodge, D.D., S. C. Dickson, William Moore, George Swain,

D.D., H. K. Fulton, Jas. A. Matheson, Frank R. Symmes,

Harry W. Haring Elders J. G. Breese, William H. Reid.

Morris and Orange-Ministers Stanley White, John F. Patterson, D D., Asa Wynkoop, John M. Thomas.

Newark—Ministers John Hutchison, Julius H. Wolff, Lyman W. Allen, D.D., W. B. Greenway.

New Brunswick—Ministers Samuel M. Studdiford, D.D. Henry C. Cameron, D.D., Lewis W. Mudge, D.D., D. Ruby Warne, Daniel R. Foster, John T. Duffield, D.D., Titus E. Davis, Samuel H. Potter, Albert Reid, Elders Frank L. Janeway, George S. Harding, Cornelius Shepherd, M.D.

Newton—Ministers J. Edward Grant, John C. Clyde, D.D., J. DeHart Bruen, Elder J. B. Brookfield.

West Jersey—Ministers Henry Reeves, D.D., Robert A. Elwood, Samuel W. Steckel, R. Hilliard Gage, William V. Louderbaugh, Frederic R. Brace, D.D. Geo. L. Van Alen, Elder Phœbus W. Lyon.

The roll was called and the following members were found absent without excuse:

Elizabeth—Minister Geo. F. Greene, Elders G. L. Headley, Augustus S. Crane, L. N. Lovell, B. B. Vail, Marcus A. Brown. Jersey City—Minister Henry T. Beatty, Ph.D

Monmouth—Ministers Wm. N. Richie, D.D., Jas H. Dunham, Josiah H. Crawford, S. H. Thompson, LL.D., Elders Paul J. Styer, Wm. V. Simpson, A. T. Doremus.

Morris and Orange—Minister Edward P. Gardner, Elders John L. Brown, John M. Crane, Edward H. Williams, S. F. Young

Newark—Ministers J. Garland Hamner, Jos. F. Folsom, Elders M. Pier, J. M. Cobb.

New Brunswick—Ministers C. S. Strong, Wm. D. Robeson. Wm. Allen, Jr., Maitland V. Bartlett, Elders I. S. Lowe, Benj. P. Field, Geo E. Snedeker, John E. Burd, Walter B. Harris, Uriel B. Titus.

Newton-Elders John H. Young, John S. Stone.

West Jersey—Ministers J. Bailie Adams John L. Landis, John E. Peters, Sc.D., J. H. O'Brien, John K. Kilbourn, Albert K. Staiger Isaac H. Condit Walter Everett Smith, Frank S. Brenneman, Elders James Watson, H. I. Budd, D. J. Rosston, I. E. Iszard, Thomas W. Synott.

Minutes.

The minutes of to-day's sessions were read and the record was approved.

Synod adjourned to meet on the third Tuesday of October, 1901, in Olivet Church, Atlantic City.

The session closed with the benediction by the Vice-Moderator.

JOHN T. KERR,

Recording Clerk.

WALTER A. BROOKS,

Stated Clerk.

# APPENDIX.

I.—NARRATIVE OF THE STATE OF RELIGION IN THE SYNOD OF NEW JERSEY FOR THE YEAR ENDING OCTOBER 16th, 1900.

There are 328 Presbyterian churches in the State of New Jersey and 452 ministers. The number of communicants is 68,278. The gain the past year has been 7 churches and 1,053 communicants. The percentage of increase in membership has been 1.5%, which is slightly above the gain of the Presbyterian churches throughout the United States last year, which was 1.2%.

The accessions on confession of faith were 2,951, while last year they were 2,472, an increase of 479. There was a larger number of accessions on confession of faith this year in every Presbytery but Newton, those making the largest gain being New Brunswick and Newark.

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A comparison of benevolent contributions is as follows:

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Congregational expenses,	1899,												\$903,324	00
4.6	1900,											٠	967,488	00
An increase o	f												\$64,161	00

The increase in congregational expenses is almost exactly equivalent to the decrease in missionary contributions. We gave \$63,000 less for others and spent \$64,000 more on ourselves. In so doing we raised the proportion of money for church support to money for missionary work to more than double. Considerable pride is manifested in the Presbyteries that contributions have been received in so many churches for all the Boards of the church, and there is boasting of the absence of "blanks" in the reports. It is no day of pride and boasting when we take away from the needy that we may spend it upon ourselves. It should be a day of effort to make our gifts for missions in better proportion to the money for our own work.

A statement of the growth of the churches of New Jersey during the last decade, and the facts of the relative progress of the Presbyterian Church in the last ten years of the century, ought to be interesting and instructive. The complete government census of ten years ago makes possible an accurate comparison. The facts are as in the following table:

Churches.	Communicants. 1890.	Communicants,	Per cent, of Increase,
Roman Catholic,	 222,274	344,490	55
Episcopal,	 30,103	40,311	34
Congregational,	 4,912	6,534	33
Baptist,	 39,760	52,988	31
Methodist,	 82,955	96,755	17
Presbyterian,	 58,759	68,278	16
Reformed,	24,057	26,880	1.2

Those figures are somewhat disconcerting to those who love the Presbyterian Church, and who have had part in the making of its history the last ten years. Why is it that our gain is but 16 %, while that of the Episcopal, Congregational and Baptist Churches is about twice as rapid? What shall we say of our 16 %—next to the lowest of the churches of New Iersev in rate of increase? We are the fourth Synod of our Church in the number of communicants, and the fourth in the amount of money we spend. We have a history of which things are said continually. We had exclusive possession of a considerable portion of the State at one time, and our churches were vigorous and honored, when we generously allowed entrance to certain small religious bodies which are now overtaking us fast. We have the advantage of a large Presbyterian university, and just outside are two strong Presbyterian cities, one fighting on the north, the other sleeping at the south. Neither our clergy nor our people are lacking in ability or worth. They are a devout, earnest body, fearing God and seeking righteousness. But there is the 16 % increase: and there is the Episcopal 34 %, and the Congregational 33 %, and the Catholic 55 %. How long shall there be speech of the strong Presbyterianism of New Jersey?

This is an account of the state of religion, and our business is to present facts and not theories. If the Presbyterial narratives gave us explanations of these facts, we might pass them on to you. They inform us that in the majority of the churches divine services have been held regularly, and that in most of them the Shorter Catechism has been taught faithfully: but they do not suggest the cause of the slowness of our procedure.

Shall we find it, not in argument nor debate, not in saying to our brother, "Raca," or, "Thou fool," but alone with God, each heart knowing its own folly, its own sloth, its own distance from the

Master? Let us not judge one another any more, but judge this rather, that no man put a stumbling-block in his brother's way, and that every man present himself a living sacrifice.

The State of New Jersey is one of the best mission fields in the United States. There is a large population of foreign-born, conveniently gathered in cities. Many of them are Protestants, but it requires work to secure their affiliation with English churches. They want their children baptized: they will send them to Sundayschool. The children will learn English and be in English churches or in none. For this work we have thousands of Christian workers coming to us from New York and Philadelphia, and the villages and hamlets of the country are drained of their best blood and sent to us for our use in this evangelization. We haven't the acres of Texas, but we can reach more susceptible people at less cost and with less trouble than can be done in any Home Missionary territory of the United States.

But we shut them out of our most attractive churches by the cost of attendance. We seek for those who can help us and not for those whom we can help. Our joy is in the ninety and nine just persons—"nice families"—who need no repentance, and our conscience-salve in the missions we appoint unto the poor. But there is Synodical Home Missions? \$1,775 to Newark! Is it half enough to run one vigorous church? \$2,600 to Jersey City, wherein is also Hoboken! We come to Synod and clap our hands over some \$18,000 for the Lord's work among the million and three-quarters of the souls of New Jersey!

Narratives have been received from the eight home Presbyteries. The several Committees have done their work faithfully on the basis of the usual narrative blanks, and the result is the usual information that there are few societies of men and a great many of women, and that the temporalities are for the most part managed by Boards of Trustees, and financial obligations are faithfully met. So far as there is any color or tone to these documents it is of slight encouragement for a slightly better year than last, and a feeling that a vague something is wanting. There is need of spiritual awakening in the churches of New Jersey, of less pride and more prayer, of deeper consecration and more thought with the Master who moulds men into fellowship with His sufferings and conformity with His death.

JOHN M. THOMAS, Chairman.

### II. NECROLOGICAL REPORT.

Fourteen members of the Synod have entered into rest the past year, as follows: One each from the Presbyteries of Elizabeth, Monmouth, Morris and Orange, Newton and West Jersey, and three each from the Presbyteries of Jersey City, Newark and New Brunswick. Ten of these had passed the limit of three score years and ten, and five that of four score years. The average age was a fraction over seventy-four years.

# I.—Elizabeth.

JOHN CHAMBERS RANKIN, D.D.,

Was born in Greensboro, N. C., May 18th, 1816. He graduated from the famous Chapel Hill Preparatory School, and took his B. A. degree from the University of North Carolina in 1836. He engaged in teaching for a short time, after which he entered the Princeton Theological Seminary, graduating in 1839. ordained sine titulo by the Presbytery of Orange, July 18th, 1839. One year later he sailed as a missionary to India, where he remained until 1848, when, on account of impaired health he was forced to return home. After returning from India, Dr. Rankin took up his residence in Elizabeth, N. J., and for six months supplied the pulpit of the First Presbyterian Church during the absence of its pastor. He was during that time and subsequently for three years employed as an agent of the Presbyterian Board of Foreign Missions. In 1851 he accepted a call to the Presbyterian Church, Basking Ridge, N. J. This most happy and successful pastorate continued until July 29th, 1895. His mental powers remained unimpaired and he continued to preach as opportunity offered until his last brief illness. He passed away April 24th, 1900.

Dr. Rankin was possessed of fine physique, being six feet three inches in height, and withal well proportioned. His presence was dignified, his voice strong and clear, and his personality winning. In character he combined firmness and sympathy and charity. He was an evangelical and scriptural preacher of unusual force and earnestness. He was a good pastor, a wise and faithful presbyter. For fifteen years he was Stated Clerk of the Presbytery of Elizabeth. He was of the strictest school of Calvinists in theology, but progressive and alive to all that concerned the extension of the Kingdom. His active efforts were continually put forth in behalf of Foreign and Home Missions, systematic beneficence, evangelistic work and temperance. He was twice married. His first wife was Sarah T. Comfort, daughter of Rev. David Comfort, fifty years pastor of the Presbyterian church, Kingston, N. J. Mrs. Rankin broke down while in India, and never afterwards recovered her

health. She died in 1867. Four children were born to them in India, Walter L., Sarah T., Edward P., and John C., all of whom survive him.

In 1870 Dr. Rankin was married to Mrs. N. C. Scales, who survives him. In 1867 he received the degree of Doctor of Divinity from the College of New Jersey. He was the author of a book called "The Coming of the Lord," and an occasional contributor to the Princeton Review

# II.-Jersey City:

#### VERNON BOND CARROLL

Was born in Baltimore, Md., in 1846. He received the degree of B.A. from Rutgers College, in 1868, and graduated from the New Brunswick Theological Seminary in 1871. He was ordained May 25th, 1871, by the Raritan Classis. From 1871 to 1873 he was pastor of the Reformed Church, Pottersville, N. J. From 1873 to 1878 he supplied the Reformed Church Chapel, 7th avenue and 54th street, New York City. He was pastor of the Reformed Church, Warwick, N. Y., from 1878 to 1888. In 1888 he accepted a call to the Presbyterian Church, Tenafly, N. J., where he remained until June 2d, 1896. Subsequently he made his home in Ridgefield, N. J., and for a short time served the church of Amenia, N. Y. Mr. Carroll's death occurred December 21st, 1899, the result of a railroad accident.

He was a good man, faithful in all his offices as a preacher, pastor and presbyter. He was an efficient member of the Committee on Synodical Home Missions.

A widow and four children survive him.

#### WILLIAM E. WESTERVELT

Passed away, at a good old age, March 10th, 1900, in Norwood, N. J. He was born near Paterson, N. J., January 17th, 1829, the son of Peter Abraham and Catherine Jerolemon Westervelt. He studied the arts privately, and spent some years in teaching in Paterson, N. J. He entered Princeton Seminary in 1854, taking the full three years' course. The Presbytery of Passaic licensed him to preach the gospel April 22d, 1857. He was ordained by the Presbytery of Newton, April 15th, 1858, being at the same time installed pastor of the church at Bloomsbury, N. J. In the interval between his licensure and ordination he had labored as a home missionary in Windham, Conn. His pastoral relation was dissolved July 2d, 1861, and he became stated supply of the First Church, Burlington Iowa, until April, 1864. Moved by patriotic impulse, he entered the army as chaplain, under the U. S. Christian Com-

mission. After the war, he was pastor of the Presbyterian Church, South Amboy, N. J., from November 8th, 1865, to June 22d, 1870; of the church at New Hamburg, N. Y., from October 13th, 1870, to October 19th, 1876; stated supply at Millerton, N. Y., from April. 1877, to April, 1880. During the year 1880 he worked in the U. S. Census office, New York City. For one year he served the church at Chesapeake, Del. His next charge was at Roxborough, Phila., from November 30th, 1881, to October 5th, 1886. He was stated supply in various churches in Philadelphia, from 1886 to 1889.

He then became pastor of the church at Windham, Mass., from December 23d, 1890, to April 21st, 1896. In 1896 he returned to Philadelphia and became assistant pastor of the Mariner's Church, but soon after accepted a call to become stated supply of the church at Norwood, N. J., which church he continued to serve until his death. He was a man of earnest spirit and loved to preach the gospel of Jesus Christ.

Mr. Westervelt was life director of the American Bible Society. At the time of his death he was Moderator of the Presbytery of Jersey City. One who knew him intimately, writes: "He was a man of quiet firmness, orthodox, devout, faithful, useful." He wrought for forty-three years in the ministry.

He was twice married: (1) August 26th, 1857, in Morristown, N. J., to Miss Martha Ann Dayton, who died November 18th, 1866; (2) December 17th, 1867, in Princeton N. J., to Miss Emeline Lane Jerolemon, who survives him, with one daughter of the first marriage

#### ISAAC PIERSON STRYKER

Died September 28th, 1899, at Devon, Pa., aged 84 years. He was born in Orange, New Jersey, in the year 1815. He was educated at Oneida Institute, N. Y. He practiced law for a short time, but feeling himself called to the holy ministry, entered Auburn Seminary in 1837. He studied for two years in Auburn, and one year in Yale Seminary, graduating from the latter in 1840. He was ordained by the Presbytery of Steuben, 1843. He served the following churches: Watkins, N. Y., 1842 to 1846; Vernon, N. Y., 1847 to 1852; Hoboken, N. J., 1852 to 1855; Urbana, Ill., 1856 to 1861; New Milford, Pa., 1863 to 1864; Montrose, Pa., 1864. From 1864 to 1865 he served as chaplain in the United States Army. The latter years of his life were quietly passed at Perth Amboy, N. J.

#### III .- Monmouth.

## FULLERTON RECK HARBAUGH,

Son of Samuel George and Catherine Bentz Harbaugh, was born April 22d, 1829, in Middletown, Md. His preparatory studies were

taken at Newark Academy, Delaware. He graduated from the College of New Jersey in 1851. While in college, and at the age of twenty, he made a profession of his faith in Christ. The same year in which he graduated from the College he entered the Seminary in Princeton, where he studied theology two years. He was licensed by the Presbytery of New Brunswick, April 27th, 1853. and ordained by the same October 26th, 1853, and installed pastor of the church at Red Bank, N. J. His pastoral relation with this church was dissolved October 3d, 1854, and on November 1st following he was installed pastor of the church in Burlington, N. J. The pastorate continued until September 28th, 1858. His subsequent pastorates were over the church of Hackettstown, N. J., from November 16th, 1858, to October 1st, 1861; the Sixth Church, Philadelphia, from October 14th, 1861, to October 4th, 1860; the First Church, Belvidere, N. J., from December 4th, 1872, to February 19th, 1874, and for the second time over the church of Red Bank, N. J., from May 20th, 1874, to April 13th, 1879 Advancing years and enfeebled health now made it necessary for him to cease from active work. He was made Pastor Emeritus, and an annuity was provided for him. He continued his home in Red Bank until his death, which took place February 22d, 1900, in the 71st year of his age. Mr. Harbaugh was a man of scholarly attainments and studious habits. He was an able expositor of the Word, and a kind and faithful pastor.

He was married May 30th, 1853, at Trenton, N. J., to Mrs. Ellen Burrows (Potts) Vandegrift, who died July 18th, 1882. One daughter survives him

IV.-Morris and Orange.

#### ROBERT AIKMAN, D.D.,

Was born in New York City, June 29th, 1816. At the age of fourteen he entered business, to which he intended to devote his life. But after his conversion, seven years later, the current of his life was changed, and he turned his attention to the gospel ministry, to which he believed himself to be clearly called. Preparation for this life-work was at once begun in the old Cornelius Institute in New York, under the tuition of the Rev. Dr. John I. Owen. He graduated from Yale College, and afterwards entered Union Theological Seminary, N. Y., where he graduated in 1847. In the same year he was licensed by the Fourth Presbytery of New York, and ordained by the Congregational Association of Rhode Island, in whose bounds he spent two years as a missionary. Later he became assistant pastor in the First Presbyterian Church, Troy, N. Y. In 1852 he was invited to become the first pastor of the Third Presbyterian Church of Elizabeth, N. J. Here he continued to labor until 1869. In that year he was called to the church in Madison, N. J.,

from which, after a fruitful ministry of twenty five years, he resigned by reason of advanced age and enfeebled health. His ministry covered nearly half a century, and was chiefly spent in two pastorates.

Long will Dr. Aikman be remembered for the wisdom of his counsels the efficiency of his labors, the influence of his clean character, and the strength and sweetness of his personality. In the Synod of New Jersey, of which in 1871 he was Moderator, and in the Presbytery of Morris and Orange he occupied positions of responsibility and usefulness. As Chairman of the Church Extension Committee of Synod he spent his vacations in visiting new fields along the coast. He was President of the Synod's Board of Trustees for many years. The cause of temperance was dear to his heart, and in this and other reforms he took an active part.

He died May 12th, 1900. A widow and one son survive him.

### V.—Newark.

## WILLIAM FINNEY JUNKIN, D.D., LL.D.,

Was born in Philadelphia, Pa., May 1st, 1831. His father was the Rev. George Junkin, D.D., LL.D., eminent in his day as a minister and educator. He received his collegiate education at Washington College, Va. (now Washington and Lee University), graduating in 1851. He studied theology in Princeton Seminary, taking the full course of three years. He was licensed by the Presbytery of New York, May, 1854, and ordained by the Presbytery of Montgomery, June 3d, 1855; serving as pastor of the church of Falling Spring. Va., from 1855 to 1857. He became pastor of the First Church, Danville, Ky., in 1868, continuing the work until 1876. He then accepted a call to the Globe Street Church (now Washington), Charleston, S. C., where he remained until 1887. During his stay in that city he was President of the Board of Trustees of the High School. In 1888 he received a call to the pastorate of the church of Montclair, N. J., which charge he served ably and acceptably until the day of his death, April 9th, 1900. He was a man of learning, ability and worth. His alma mater recognizing his scholarship conferred upon him, in 1875, the honorary title of D.D., and the South Western University of Tennessee honored him in 1891 with the literary title of LL.D.

Dr. Junkin inherited a devotion to Presbyterianism. The Junkins have long been known for a defense of its doctrines and polity, and Dr. William Junkin showed the spirit of his ancestors in his loyalty to Calvinism. He was none the less a friend of education. Progressive in spirit, he was ever alive to the questions of the day, and by pen and voice exerted a wide influence. He was a member

of the last Pan-Presbyterian Council and took an active part in its counsels.

A widow, two sons and two daughters survive him.

## CHARLES EUGENE KNOX, D.D.,

Was born in Knoxboro, N. Y., December 27th, 1833. He graduated from Hamilton College in the class of 1856. He studied theology in Auburn Seminary in 1856-7, and in Union Theological Seminary 1857-9. He was tutor in Hamilton College in 1859-60. He was licensed by the Presbytery of Newark in 1859, and ordained by the same June 8th, 1864. He was pastor-elect of the Reformed Church, Utica N. Y., in 1860-2; and stated supply of South Street Presbyterian Church, Oswego, in 1862-3; of the church in Morristown, N. J., in 1863-4. He was installed pastor of the First Church, Bloomfield, N. J., in 1864, the relation continuing until 1873, when he was called to the Presidency of the German Theological School of Newark. This position he continued to fill until his death, which occurred at Point Pleasant, N. J., April 30th, 1900.

Dr. Knox was a man of wide scholarship, indomitable will and earnest Christian consecration. His presence and counsels in Synod will be greatly missed. Especially must his loss be felt in his own Presbytery and the Theological School with which he was so long identified. For that institution he labored with indefatigable zeal, Its great and growing needs were ever on his heart, and for it he pleaded with an eloquence born of the deep conviction that the work of the Newark German School was an indispensable adjunct in the evangelization of the foreign population of our country. To him was due in large measure the continuance and growth of that school. In its future usefulness he will continue to live and speak.

The College of New Jersey honored him with the title of D.D. in 1874.

A widow and four children survive him.

#### WILLIAM WOODBRIDGE EDDY, D.D.,

Was born at Penn Yan, N. Y., December 18th, 1825. He took his degree of B A. from Williams College in 1845, and graduated from Union Theological Seminary, New York City, in 1850. He was licensed by the Presbytery of Newark in 1849, and ordained by the same September 18th, 1851. He went as a missionary to Syria under the American Board in 1851, and labored in the station at Aleppo until 1854. He was then transferred to Sidon, where he remained until 1874. In 1875 he was appointed professor in the Theological School in Beirut, in which work he continued until his death, January 26th, 1900. He was in America from 1860 to 1863, and again in 1874–5.

The degree of D.D. was conferred on him by the College of New Jersey in 1874.

Dr. Eddy stood in the first rank of that distinguished band of men that have lent such peculiar character to the Syrian Mission. Ripe scholarship combined with noble Christian enthusiasm gave him ever-widening influence in the field to which he consecrated his life. Surely a prince and a great man has fallen this day in Israel.

A widow and five children survive him, four of whom are on the mission field.

#### VI.-New Brunswick.

## SAMUEL JOHN MILLIKEN

Entered into rest May 15th, 1900. Death resulted from an operation for appendicitis in the Imperial University Hospital Tokio, Japan. He was born in Lewistown, Pa., September 27th, 1826 He graduated from the College of New Jersey in 1847. He afterward studied two years in the Theological Seminary at Princeton. His health failing, he went South and taught school at Fort George Island, Florida, for the year 1850-1. In April, 1853, he was ordained by the Presbytery of Florida, and from 1854-1858 served as stated supply the churches of Bainbridge and Mineral Springs, Ga. In 1858 he was installed pastor in Quincy, Fla., where he remained until 1861. His strong Union sentiments necessitated his coming North, and in 1861 he accepted a call to the church in Newtown, Pa. This pastorate continued until 1866. From 1866 to 1870 he was pastor at Academia, Pa.; and from 1870 to 1875 at Sunbury, Pa. In the latter year he accepted the position of missionary of the Presbytery of Philadelphia, North, which he held for two years. As a result of this work the Ann Carmichael Church Philadelphia, and the churches at Ambler and North Wales were organized. The first of these churches called him as pastor in 1877, which relation continued until 1883. In 1884 he was called to the Fox Chase Church, Philadelphia, where he remained until 1891, from which pastorate he accepted the charge at Titusville, N. J., which church he served from 1891 to 1897. He had now been more than forty years in the active work of the ministry, and advancing years and failing health led him to resign the pastorate. Not content with inactivity, however, his intense missionary zeal led him to far-off Japan to visit his daughter, a missionary. Here he remained working as opportunity afforded, preaching through an interpreter, and making extended tours through the country. Being specially concerned for the young men of Japan, he taught two weekly Bible classes into which many were gathered. It was in the midst of this useful work that the call of the Master came to him.

Mr. Milliken was a laborious servant of his Lord, never weary in well-doing. He was endowed with a kindly nature and was lovable more than most men. He had a catholic spirit, and loved the whole Church of Christ and his brethren of every name. As a presbyter he was most faithful and active. His zeal for the work of Christ in heathen lands made him a fitting Chairman of the Foreign Missions Committee, in whose behalf he gave without stint of his time and labors

A widow, two daughters and one son survive him.

## WILLIAM HENRY GREEN, D.D., LL.D.,

Helena Professor of Oriental and Old Testament Literature, died at his residence in Princeton, N. J., February 10th, 1900. He was the son of George Smith and Sarah Kennedy Green, and was born at Groveville, N. J., January 27th, 1825 While he was a child, his parents removed to Trenton. He graduated from Lafayette College when fifteen years of age. While in college he made a profession of his faith in Christ, and united with the First Presbyterian Church in Easton, Pa. For two years he was a tutor in Lafayette College, and during the academic year 1843-4 held the position of adjunct Professor of Mathematics He graduated from Princeton Theological Seminary in 1846, and the same year was chosen instructor in Hebrew in the Seminary. He was licensed by the Presbytery of New Brunswick, February 3d, 1846. From September 26th, 1847, he acted as stated supply of the First Church, Princeton, for six months; and of the Second Church, February, 1848, to September, 1849. He was ordained as an evangelist by the Presbytery of New Brunswick, May 24th, 1848. He was installed pastor of the Central Church, Philadelphia, May 16th, 1849. This relation was dissolved July 7th, 1851, in order that he might accept the professorship in Biblical and Oriental Literature in Princeton Seminary. In this position he continued until his death, almost forty-nine years. As Dr. Green's first appointment as instructor in Hebrew was previous to the deaths of Drs. Alexander and Miller, his term of service covered some portion of the service of all the professors who had, up to the time of his death, been connected with the Seminary, excepting only Dr. John Breckenridge, whose incumbency lasted only three years. He was senior professor after the death of Dr. Charles Hodge, in 1878

Dr. Green was the recipient of many honors. He was Librarian of the Seminary from 1851 to 1871. In 1868 he was elected to succeed Dr. John Maclean as President of the College of New Jersey, but declined the honor. He was a member of the American Committee on the Revision of the English Bible, and Chairman of the Old Testament Section. He was Moderator of the General Assem-

bly in 1891, and Chairman of the Committee on the Revision of the Confession of Faith. Princeton bestowed on him the honorary title of D.D. in 1857. In 1884 he received the same degree, in person, from the University of Edinburgh. Rutgers College conferred the literary title of LL.D. in 1873. He was a Trustee of Princeton University from 1868 until his death.

Dr. Green's first venture in literary activity was a review of Keil on Joshua, published in 1850 in the Biblical Repertory and Princeton Review. His labors in this line continued for fifty years, and the value of the volumes of that Review and its successors is largely due to the learned contributions of Dr. Green. It is not necessary to name the long list of his publications, most of which are familiar to Bible students. The books for which he will be most remembered, perhaps, are "The Higher Criticism of the Pentateuch" and "The Unity of the Book of Genesis."

As a scholar, a teacher and preacher Dr Green stands pre-eminent. Could any mortal ask a higher tribute than that paid to Dr. Green in the volume that commemorates the celebration of his fiftieth anniversary as professor?

Dr. Green was twice married. His first wife was Miss Mary Elizabeth Colwell, to whom he was married in Philadelphia. June 24th, 1852, and who died March 29th, 1854. His second wife was Miss Elizabeth Hayes, of Alleghany, Pa., to whom he was married April 28th, 1858. His widow and two married daughters survive him.

# JOHN MURPHY ROGERS

Was born in Westmoreland County, Virginia, March 18th, 1818. His father, William L. Rogers, was an army officer in the war of 1812, and removed with his family to Princeton, N. J., some time prior to 1836. He graduated from the College of New Jersey in 1837. Afterwards he studied law, but finding himself called to the ministry, he abandoned his chosen profession, and entered the Princeton Seminary, and graduated in 1842. He was ordained by the Presbytery of West Jersey May 15th, 1844, and installed pastor at Woodbury, N. J., where he remained until 1847. In 1850 he became pastor at Middletown Point (now Matawan), which pastorate continued until 1867. He then removed to Princeton, where he remained for two years without a charge; but in 1873 he became pastor in Morrisville, Pa., which church he served until 1877, making his home meantime in Princeton. From 1878 to 1893 he served as Chaplain of the New Jersey State Prison, Trenton, N. J. He then returned to his birthplace, Machodoc, Westmoreland County, Va., where he peacefully passed away November 19th, 1899, in the eighty-second year of his age.

Mr. Rogers was a man of retiring disposition, and little known by members of even his own Presbytery. To the few who were admitted into a closer friendship he was greatly endeared. In all his pastorates he was distinguished by fidelity to his work. He was held in affection by the criminals in the State Prison, with whom he was brought into close personal contact. Not a few trace their conversion and reformation to him.

## VII.-Newton.

#### IOSEPH C. CROMACK

Died of pleuro-pneumonia in the Ministers' Home, Perth Amboy, May 12th, 1900. He was born in Boston, Mass., May 16th, 1812. His early life was a hard struggle with poverty. He was converted at the age of twenty-one, and at once determined to become a minister of the gospel. He got what education he could at Wilbraham Mass., but never received either a collegiate or theological training He was licensed to preach by a Congregational Association in 1834, and began his ministry in Rochester, N. H. He served churches also in Dover, Winchester and London, in the same State. In Massachusetts he was pastor of churches in Natic, Marshfield and Worcester. His health failing, he was obliged to intermit preaching for a time. Upon the breaking out of the war he enlisted in the Nineteenth Massachusetts Regiment, and was transferred to the Twenty-second. After nine months' service he was honorably discharged on account of physical disability. After the war he preached in Michigan, Missouri and Ohio, serving a Presbyterian church in Salem O., in 1884-5. He was a Congregationalist until 1886. In 1888 he joined the Newton Presbytery. For the last eight years of his life he was disabled from preaching, and lived quietly with his wife in the Home in Perth Amboy. He was twice married. the first time in 1836, to Miss Mary Claugh, of London, N. H. His second wife was Charlotte S. Landfear, of Hartford, Conn., to whom he was married in Winsted, Conn., July 28th, 1885. A married daughter survives him, and his widow.

There are testimonials from churches which he has served, speakin warm appreciation and affection of him.

## VIII.- West Jersey.

#### GEORGE WARRINGTON

Was born in Dover, Del., December 13th, 1842. He graduated from Amherst College in 1862. He taught for a time, but soon enlisted in the army and served in the ranks until the close of the war. He entered the Seminary at Princeton in 1867, and took a four years'

course. He was licensed April 18th, 1869, by the Presbytery of New Brunswick; and ou May 9th, 1871, ordained by the Presbytery of West Jersey and installed pastor of the churches of Glassboro and Bunker Hill. After a pastorate of one year he became stated supply of the churches of Berlin, Atco and Waterford, 1872–3. In 1872 he was installed pastor of the Bald Eagle and Nittany churches, Beech Creek, Pa., where he labored until 1874, when he accepted a call to Manalapan, N. J., which relation continued until 1880. He then removed to Birmingham, Iowa, where he was pastor of a Presbyterian church six years, from 1882 to 1888. He was in 1888–9, an editor, in Beaver Falls, Pa. In 1893 he took charge of the Fairfield Church, Fairton, N. J., which he resigned in 1897. Most of the time subsequent was passed in Princeton, N. J., where he engaged in special study and took the degree of B.A.

Shortly before his death his health became so broken that he sought rest in the Perth Amboy Home, where he passed away September 1st. 1999.

Mr. Warrington was a loyal Presbyterian and a thoughtful, Scriptural preacher. Bodily infirmities placed serious limitations upon him, and so far as strength allowed he fulfilled the obligations of his holy calling.

A married daughter survives him.

SYLVESTER W. BEACH, Chairman.

# III.—REPORT OF THE PERMANENT COMMITTEE ON SYNODICAL HOME MISSIONS.

The members of your Permanent Committee on Synodical Home Missions, in presenting this their Fourteenth Annual Report, desire once again to lift up their hearts in thanksgiving and praise.

During the past year we have raised more money than ever before, we have expended more money than ever before, we have done more good along wider and more varied lines, we have met every bill at the moment it was due, we have not paid a penny for interest, and we have increased our balance in the treasury by the sum of \$72.20. Not unto us not unto us, but unto Him be the glory.

But before we grow hilarious in our rejoicing, let us look for a little at the way in which this result has been accomplished. It may be that a few moments of serious reflection may cause some of us to rejoice, if not "with trembling," yet certainly with some little humiliation and fear.

It will be recalled that, at the last Synod, your Committee was ordered to make an advance. We were not, you said, to prosecute the work in the way in which we had been prosecuting it, viz., by mercilessly applying the knife cutting off the year previous, for example, "a cold \$200" from the least amount which each Presbytery had said that it absolutely needed for necessary work in its portion of the State; but we were to grant to each Presbytery the amount which it asked for, and, by increasing the quota in a number of Presbyteries, and by putting forth additional effort in all, were to raise the aggregate sum required, even though it should exceed by over \$1300 the highest sum which had ever been raised before. We were somewhat startled by the order, we will admit, but as loyal New Jersey Presbyterians we addressed ourselves to our task. And what has been the result? We have not been able to accomplish that which we were instructed to accomplish. Indeed, only four of our Presbyteries, viz., Elizabeth, Monmouth, Morris and Orange, and West Jersey have raised their quota, while New Brunswick has fallen behind \$84.82, Newton, \$142.56, Jersey City. \$178.96, and Newark, \$738.63, making a total deficiency from these Presbyteries of \$1,144.97, or subtracting the amount of the excess of the other Presbyteries, a net deficiency \$1,034.85

How, then, you ask, with such a failure to reach the appointed goal, is your Committee able to say, as it has just done, that for the fourteenth successive year in its history it has paid all bills and has a balance in the treasury?

Partly, because certain of our churches—noticeably in the Presbytery of Morris and Orange—have not, for various reasons, required all which was allotted to them; but mainly because seven

out of our eight Presbyteries have refrained from using all which they might have used. For when, as the year advanced it became apparent to the representatives of these Presbyteries or your Permanent Committee that the sum which Synod had started out to raise was not to be raised, while they renewedly buckled down to the task of besieging pastors and churches to come up to the help of the Lord in this noble cause, they also addressed themselves to the task of cutting down the amount which their Presbytery was to ask from Synod's fund, and in this were so successful that these Presbyteries have refrained from drawing from the fund the sum of \$927.45. In other words, had each Presbytery in the Synod used last year the full amount which it was authorized and expected to use, instead of having as we now do a good balance in the treasury, we would be bemoaning the fact of a considerable debt.

In this connection, also, the work of two of our Presbyteries is worthy of especial mention.

We refer to the Presbyteries of Monmouth and West Jersey. It will be recalled that in ordering the advance of last fall, Synod made provision for the advance, in part at least, by increasing the rate of apportionment in certain of our Presbyteries. And upon none of our Presbyteries did this increase fall more heavily than upon the Presbyteries of Monmouth and West Jersey (the two Presbyteries which, from the beginning, have drawn most from this fund), and in which Presbyteries the rate was raised from 22 to 26 cents per member. But most nobly have these Presbyteries responded to the appeal. Both of them have raised their full quota this year, even at the advanced rate. And in doing this Monmouth has exceeded its gift of the previous year by \$244.96, and West Jersey by \$300.43. Who can estimate the work which this advance in these Presbyteries has required on the part of the Chairmen of their Presbyterial Committees? And do you wonder, when it was all accomplished and the last dollar had been paid in, that the veteran worker of Monmouth Presbytery should write to the treasurer of the fund: "The agony is over. I am tired."

Nor should we fail to make honorable mention, in this connection, of the Presbytery of New Brunswick, the rate of which was increased from twenty-seven to thirty cents per member, and which, though it did not quite reach the goal, exceeded its gift of the previous year by the sum of \$90.12 And Newton raised \$77.21 more than last year. And Morris and Orange \$59.34. While even our Missionary Presbytery of Corisco did not fail to send in its usual gift.

In this connection, further, it may be interesting to be told that of all the 325 churches in the Synod but nineteen failed this year to contribute to our work.

Still further, your Committee would report that they have distributed, in the prosecution of their work, about 17,000 cards and envelopes—one each, as a sample, to each of the ministers and elders in the State, and the rest for use in at least 100 of our 325 churches. They are persuaded that this distribution of literature has done good.

They have further aided, through this fund, no less than 102 fields—a good increase over last year. And can report as having been added to our aid-receiving churches, on confession of their faith, 518 souls: 12 in the Presbytery of Newton, 39 in the Presbytery of Elizabeth, 52 in the Presbytery of New Brunswick, 58 in the Presbytery of Morris and Orange, 76 in the Presbytery of Monmouth, 84 in the Presbytery of Newark, 90 in the Presbytery of Jersey City, and 107 in the Presbytery of West Jersey.

As further items of especial interest in individual Presbyteries: ELIZABETH reports the organization of one church and the great reviving of another.

JERSEY CITY speaks of one of its mission churches as "breaking out of its many perplexities and to our surprise and joy, settling a pastor." of a work among a "colony of 600 Armenian refugees in West Hoboken, unique in interest," and of good work done for the intelligent colored people in Paterson, and of similar work inaugurated in Jersey City.

Monmouth rejoices in a new church organized "at West Mantoloking, consisting of fishermen yachtmen and life-savers, who raised a thousand dollars for their church building," of two churches which have secured manses, and of heroic and successful efforts in several churches to reduce burdensome debts.

Morris and Orange acknowledges that some of its aid receiving churches surpass those more able to care for themselves in the number of those who are added to their membership on confession of their faith, and rejoices in an evident disposition on the part of certain of its feeble churches to repair and beautify their church buildings.

NEWARK, which has "two German, two English, one African and one Italian church now under its care," speaks of a new parsonage built for each of its German churches during the past year, of a colored church free from debt after renovating its building and nearer self-support than ever before, of three missions started in Italy by members of its Italian church who had returned to their native land, and of four ministers already sent out by this same church and another now studying in preparation.

NEW BRUNSWICK is greatly encouraged by the work which has been done in its aid-receiving churches during the year; the Italian Mission in Trenton, for example, having added thirty-three to its membership on confession of their faith since the mission was

organized a year ago last May. "The examination of these new members," says the chairman of the Committee, "was most thorough, and they showed an intelligent understanding of the way of salvation through Christ alone and a sincere determination, by God's help, to live a consistent Christian life."

NEWTON aided last year "eight fields, most of them having one or more out stations or school-house appointments. Six of these are in a population mainly agricultural, one in an iron manufacturing village and one in a mining community. Several of these were once much stronger than now, but the exodus of the younger and more enterprising people to the cities, the passing away of the old families who have been more or less identified with the past history of the churches and localities, and the transfer of the ownership or occupancy of the farms to a different class of people, have greatly reduced both the membership and financial ability of these churches. Only one of them gives promise of reaching self-support at an early date. Six, once aided from Synod's fund, are now independent of it. Only one of our mission churches gives less than \$6.50 per member for its pastor's support. The smallness of the salary paid and the limited field of labor are causes of frequent changes in the pastorate and hindrances to growth."

WEST JERSEY speaks of a special outpouring of the Spirit upon one of its churches in which forty were added to the church on confession of their faith; of extra efforts to urge upon all its aid-receiving churches the duty of self-support, to which efforts eight churches have made gratifying response; of remarkable growth in two of its fields in Atlantic City, and of an interest in the work throughout the Presbytery which is all that could be desired.

The work of your Committee in the various Presbyteries of the Synod, you will perceive from this review of some of its more prominent features, is varied, wide-reaching, important and increasing. It never demanded more wisdom, consecration and energy, and it never presented a more encouraging outlook.

During the past year your Committee has made one change in the prosecution of its work which ought here to be mentioned, though it will appear to better advantage in the detailed report of the Treasurer, which will soon be given. We have advanced by two or three days the payment of bills due on October 1st, so that these bills were paid prior to October 1st. And, because of this, we are able to report the *exact* balance in the treasury at the end of the fiscal year. Hitherto we have been accustomed to pay these bills, due on October 1st, *after* October 1st, as a strict interpretation of the Plan under which we are working would require us to do. This custom has given rise to considerable misapprehension and made necessary no little explanation, not every one understanding that much of the large balance which the Treasurer of this fund has

been in the habit of reporting to Synod was due for services rendered in the previous fiscal year, and, indeed, at the time of the meeting of Synod, already expended. Now, by paying every bill for the year, before closing our books on October 1st, we are able to exhibit our exact situation at the time of the meeting of Synod and thus more intelligently to plan for the work. This change, which has required considerable additional labor, especially on the part of our efficient Treasurer, will, we are sure, commend itself to every member of Synod.

The reference which we have just made to the *Plan* under which we are now working brings up to our attention another change which, with your permission, we would be glad to make. Our Plan for Synodical Home Missions, adopted by the Synod of New Jersey on October 19th, 1886, was manifestly intended to be. for the most part at least, a continuation of the Sustentation Scheme of the Home Board. There were feeble churches in rural and other localities which needed aid and to which the aid of the Synod was to be extended. The Plan of Synodical Home Missions provided for these. It did indeed make some provision for mission work in destitute communities, but it did not emphasize this work. Sustaining that which was already in existence, rather than building up that which had no existence, was its thought. But since the adoption of this Plan the whole nature of the work has changed. We still have scores of long-established churches which, because of deaths, removals and other causes, have become depleted, which must be helped. And we have also multitudes of unreached foreigners pouring into our State and gathering in our newly-started manufacturing localities. And besides these, along the lines of our great railroads, suburban towns are rapidly springing into existence where a little help, wisely given now, will result in a strong, self-supporting church in the near future.

This new phase of our work makes necessary, in the judgment of your Committee, a slight change in the wording of our Plan. And in addition to this there are two or three things in the Plan which an experience of fourteen years has taught us may be improved. We have, therefore, with considerable care, gone over the Plan, and expect at the proper time, to present our conclusions for your consideration and, if in your judgment they are wise, for your adoption.

One item further. In the early part of the past fiscal year your Committee was distressed by the announcement that the efficient Treasurer of this fund, the Hon. Wm. M. Lanning, had been compelled by the pressure of his professional and other engagements to relinquish the Treasurership. He "would nominally remain Treasurer," he said, "to the end of the year, and would hold himself responsible for the care of the funds; but the work of the position must be performed by an assistant; and in the meantime we must

cast about for his successor." We were like those who had been struck; for, far better than any one else, we knew the invaluable nature of the services which Judge Lanning had rendered. So, all through the past year, while Wm. M. Lanning has been in name and by law legally the Treasurer of the fund, the large and increasing clerical work of his position has been performed by his assistant, Mr. Huston Dixon (the son of Dr. Dixon of the Home Board and formerly Chairman of this Committee), to whom Judge Lanning has given a power-of-attorney, and who has signed all checks and done all business in the Treasurer's name.

This arrangement, as the year progressed, was found by your Committee to be all that could be desired. The Judge, relieved of the routine clerical duties of his position, still gave much personal attention to the work, was present at all our Committee meetings and in manifold and invaluable ways has aided us in our task. So that we have become exceedingly and increasingly reluctant to have the relationship cease. Indeed it has seemed to your Committee that the loss of the services of Judge Lanning, even in the form in which they are now given to the Synod-(he being in name and in law responsible for the Treasurership, while an assistant, at his expense, performs the clerical duties of the office)—would, at this juneture in our work, be almost irreparable. Therefore, toward the end of the year, we made to the Judge this proposition—that he should continue, as now, the Treasurer of this fund, and that Synod should provide, out of this fund, for clerical help in the performance of his duties—to which proposition, the Judge, after considerable hesitation and under a deep sense of duty, agreed. So that if Synod shall ratify this arrangement and provide for its execution there need be no change now in the Treasurership

In conclusion, your Committee would recommend for your adoption the following resolutions:

- 1. That, recognizing the valuable services of William M. Lanning, as Treasurer of this fund, and with a desire still longer to retain these services, Synod ratify the arrangement by which, while himself remaining Treasurer of the fund, he delegate much of the work of his position to an assistant.
- 2. That the Permanent Committee on Synodical Home Missions be authorized to devote, out of this fund, for assistance to the Treasurer, a sum not to exceed \$250.
- 3. That Synod now consider the Plan under which your Committee is working, and adopt the suggestions made by your Committee for the revision of this Plan.
- 4. That Presbyteries be asked to contribute this year upon the basis of church membership, as reported in the Minutes of the Assembly for 1900, so that—

		ery of Elizabeth be asked, at the rate of	
		nember, the sum of $\dots$ \$2,84	8 50
		ery of Jersey City be asked, at the rate	
			9 16
		ery of Monmouth be asked, at the rate	
			6 64
		ery of Morris and Orange be asked, at	
			4 So
From th	e Presbyte	ery of Newark be asked, at the rate of	
27 C	ents per m	ember, the sum of 3,18	1 92
From th	e Presbyte	ery of New Brunswick be asked, at the	
rate	of 30 cents	s per member, the sum of 2,79	2 40
		ery of Newton be asked, at the rate of	
			6 66
From th	e Presbyte	ery of West Jersey be asked, at the rate	
			9 80
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	Tota	ıl,	2 88
5. Tha	at apportio	onments be made as follows:	
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	4.6		0 00
	Tota	al, \$18,75	0 00

6. That Synod calls the attention of its churches to the superlative importance of having the offering for Synodical Home Missions reach the Treasurer of the fund as early in the fiscal year as possible.

EBEN B. COBB,

Chairman.

# IV.--REPORT OF THE TREASURER OF SYNODICAL HOME MISSIONS.

To the Synod of New Jersey:

In my report presented a year ago there appeared a balance on hand amounting to \$4,572.18. I then stated that out of that balance payments would be made to ministers and missionaries for services rendered during the last three months of the fiscal year ending September 30th, 1899, and that after such payments there would probably remain a surplus of \$600 to be applied to the work of the year beginning October 1st, 1899, and ending September 30th, 1900. The actual surplus was \$595.65, as appears by the following summarized statement of the Treasurer's books for the last three months of the year ending September 30th, 1899:

### Dr.

report,		ber 1st, 1899, as per last annual credit of Jersey City Presbytery,	<b>\$</b> 4.572	18
to meet overd	lrafts,			50
	Tota	તી	\$4,572	68
		Cr.		
vices rendere	ed duri	nisters and missionaries for ser- ng the three months beginning g September 30th, 1899, as fol-		
	bytery	of Elizabeth,	\$175	00
		" Jersey City,	541	00
"		" Monmouth,	1,034	18
4.6		" Morris and Orange,	375	00
	"	" Newark,	462	50
		" New Brunswick,	250	00
"		" Newton,	358	47
	"	" West Jersey,	765	87
By administration	n expei	nses,	15	01
		three months ending September	\$2.057	
		complete events were vegets		
Surplus remainir	ig and	carried over to new year's work,	595	-05
	Tota	al,	\$4,572	68

Heretofore, while in each annual report the Treasurer has stated all the moneys received by him for the fiscal year next preceding the date of such annual report, the disbursements shown have always been those for services rendered during the last three months of the second fiscal year, and the first nine months of the first fiscal year, next preceding the date of the report. In other words, the Treasurer's annual report has heretofore shown the moneys received for a full, round fiscal year, and the disbursements made for the first nine months of that year and the last three months of the next preceding year. This practice has been unsatisfactory and confusing, but it has been a necessary practice because some of the drafts upon the Treasurer for payments to ministers and missionaries for services rendered between July 1st and September 30th have failed to reach the Treasurer until after the third Tuesday of October, which is the date for the annual meeting of the Synod. At the last Synod the Treasurer intimated that he would at this time endeavor to present a complete report for the fourteenth fiscal year ending September 30th 1000. With the aid of the members of the Synod's Permanent Committee on Synodical Home Missions, the reports of ministers and missionaries for the quarter beginning July 1st, and ending September 30th, 1900, were obtained promptly at the end of the quarter, and the orders for payments of that quarter's salaries were at once drawn and forwarded to the Treasurer, all of them reaching his hands not later than October 4th. The Treasurer is therefore enabled now to present a complete report for the fiscal year beginning October 1st, 1899, and ending September 30th, 1900.

#### Dr.

The receipts have been as follows:

	given,					\$595 65
"	Contributio	ns from	Presb.	of Corisco,	\$10 00	
4.6	• •	4 4	"	Elizabeth, .	2,827 75	
"	1.6	"	4.6	Jersey City, .	1,673 54	
4.4	46		"	Monmouth, .	1,683 76	
4.4		"	" N	Iorris & Orange,	3,078 30	
6 1	"	6 4	" "	Newark,	2,283 61	
4.6	**	4.6	4.6	N. Brunswick,	2,687 18	
4.4			4.6	Newton,	1,133 00	
4.4	" "			West Jersey,	2,125 09	
				<del>-</del>		17,502 23

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The disbursements to ministers and missionaries have been as follows:

In	Presbytery	of	Elizabeth,	\$1,145 84
"	"		Jersey City,	2,456 00
4 6	4.6	"	Monmouth,	3,982 <b>0</b> 0
"	"	"	Morris and Orange,	1,483 34

In Presbytery of Newark,		\$1,750 00	О
" " " New Brunswick,			Э
" " Newton,			С
" West Jersey,			7
For administration expenses as follows: Printing envelopes and cards for Permanent			
Committee and Treasurer, with postage, .		0.	
, 1	\$184	•	
U. S. Revenue Stamps for Treasurer,	7	CO	
Typewriting Treasurer's quarterly reports for			
use of Committee,	13	00	
Traveling expenses of Treasurer,	5	10	
Expenses of Permanent Committee for travel-			
ing and postage,	70	280 48	3
Total disbursements for the year, Balance in hand to be carried to next year's wo			
		\$18,097 88	S

The following schedules are annexed to and form part of this report:

Schedule 1, showing the payments made to aid-receiving churches the contributions received from congregations, Sabbath-schools, societies and individuals, the total contributions received from each church, the number of communicant members of each church as reported in the Minutes of the General Assembly for 1899, and the average gifts per member for each church; Schedule 2, showing the total contributions received from the respective Presbyteries; Schedule 3, showing the amounts which the respective Presbyteries were asked to contribute, and the amounts received from them respectively; and Schedule 4, showing the appropriations to the respective Presbyteries, the amounts paid for services during the fourteenth fiscal year, and the unused balances of appropriations which under the provision of Rule 6, of Article 5, of the Plan adopted for our Synodical Home Mission work, fall into the general fund.

In concluding this report I am glad to say that, through the efforts of the Permanent Committee on Synodical Home Missions, many of the churches of the Synod sent in their contributions earlier in the year just closed than they had theretofore done and that the Treasurer has thereby been enabled during the period covered by this report, to meet at maturity all drafts upon the treasury without borrowing any money and consequently without paying any interest.

Respectfully submitted,

W. M. LANNING.

Treasurer.

## SCHEDULE 1.

Showing the payments made to aid-receiving churches, the contributions received from congregations, Sabbath schools, societies and individuals, the total contributions received from each church, the number of communicant members of each church as reported in the Minutes of the General Assembly for 1899, and the average gifts per member for each church.

NAMES OF CHURCHES.	Payments to aid- receiving churches.	Contributions from congregations	Contributions from Sabbath-schools.	Contributions from societies.	Contributions from individuals.	Total contributions from churches.	Number of members in churches.	Average gifts per member.
WITHIN PRESENTERY OF CORISCO.								
Bata, Batanga, Benito, Corisco, Evune, Gaboon, Hanje, Kribi, Myuma, Ubenji,		\$1 00 1 00 1 00 1 00 1 00 1 00 1 00 1 00				\$1 00 1 00 1 00 1 00 1 00 1 00 1 00 1 00		
Totals,		\$10 00				\$10 00		
WITHIN PRESBYTERY OF ELIZABETH.								
Cokesbury, Connecticut Farms, Cranford, "Garwood Chapel, Dunellen, Elizabeth, 1st,	\$166 67	\$100 00 25 00 8 00 15 00 15 00 18 00 49 00 10 08 6 04 9 00 10 08 7 50 10 00 79 50 10 00 79 55 10 00 79 55 10 00 79 58 114 60 288 94 13 50	\$32 01 225 00	\$26 27		\$100 00 25 00 8 00 15 00 15 00 18 00 19 00 10 08 2 40 0 0 10 85 225 00 117 77 50 00 12 00 18 00 17 50 00 17 50 00 18 00	291 133 247 75 43 248 600 162 336 8 152 205 334 70 60 265 205 205 205 205 205 205 205 205 205 20	.34 + .1903 + .2030 + .303030 + .3030 + .30 +

# SCHEDULE I—(Continued.)

NAMES OF CHURCHES.	Payments to aid- receiving churches	Contributions from congregations.	Contributions frem Sabbath-schools.	Contributions from societies.	Contributions from individuals.	Total contributions from churches,	Number of members in churches.	Average gifts per member.
WITHIN PRES. OF BLIZABETH-(Con)								
Pluckemin, Rahway, 1st, 2d, Roselle, Springfield, Westfield, Woodbridge, 1st, General Missionary purposes, Totals,	\$275 00		\$7 10	\$10 00	• • • •		154 382 503 253 162 603 182	.32+ .31- .31- .31- .34- .33+ .36- 
WITHIN PRESBYTERY OF JERSEY CITY.								
Bayonne, Christ, Carlstadt, German, Claremont, Englewood, "West Side, Garfield, Hackensack, Hoboken, Jersey City, 1st, "2d, "John Knox, "Scotch, Westminster,	\$200 00 	\$14 00 236 28 11 20 10 00 36 00 20 85 282 00 47 75 5 30 10 00 72 60	\$10 70	\$3 00		\$14 00 236 28 11 20 23 70 36 00 20 85 282 00 57 75 5 30 10 00 72 60	118 126 445 70 158 180 204 705 320 53 95 363	.11+ .53+ 16 .15 .20 .10+ .40 .18+ .10
Leonia, Norwood, Oak Ridge (Newfoundland), Passaic, 1st, " Dundee, " German, " Wallington, Paterson, 1st, " 2d, " 3d, " 1st German, " Ist German,	39 00 100 00  200 00 200 00	20 62 5 80  13 60 171 50	30 00			4 29 12 00 123 89 20 62 5 80 	60 21 113 378 139 58 22 254 428 306 80	.20+ .10+ .33- .15- .10- .05+ .40+ .02+
"Ghurch of Redeemer, "East Side, "Lake View, "Madison Avenue, "St. Augustine, "Westminster, Ridgewood, Rutherford, 1st, "Emanuel Chapel,	150 00	18 00		3 00		12 00 18 00 112 49 41 00 11 50 12 60 	123 305 205 115 126 40 140 40 399	.153720 .10 .10
"Kingsland Chapel, "Lyndhurst Chapel, Tenafly, Weehawkeu, West Hoboken, West Miltord, Woodridge Chapel, Temporary supplies,	} 122 00  260 00 100 00 685 00	22 00		7 00		29 00 95 60 30 00	85 90 144 30 478 60 34	.20 ¬

# SCHEDULE I-(Continued.)

NAMES OF CHURCHES.	Payments to aid-receiving churches,	Contributions from congregations,	Contributions from Sabbath schools.	Contributions from societies.	Contributions from individuals.	Total contributions from churches.	Number of members in churches.	Average gifts per member.
WITHIN PRESENTERY OF MONMOUTH.  Allentown,		\$76 46 35 88				\$76 46 35 88	294 138	.26+ .26
Atlantic Highlands,	\$292 50	24 44 21 00 { 18 00 6 90				24 44 21 00 18 00 6 90	94 70 60 23	.26 .30 .30
Belmar, Beverly, Bordentown, Burlington,	235 00	15 08 57 50 20 28 101 00				15 08 57 50 20 28 101 00	58 215 78 276	.26 .27— .26 .37—
Columbus,		15 60 110 50 74 40 7 30				15 60 110 50 74 40 7 30	61 <b>42</b> 5 248 55	.26 .26 .30
Delanco, Englishtown, Farmingdale, Freehold,	192 50	23 40 20 00 17 00 93 60		\$2 00		23 40 20 00 17 00 95 60	90 180 100 360	.26 .11+ .17
Hightstown, Holmanville, Lakehurst, Hope, Jacksonville,	} 245 00	36 25 6 25 19 50 13 00	\$28 97			65 22 6 25 19 50 13 00	251 24 65 50	.26+ .30 .26
Jacksonville, Providence, Jamesburg, Keyport, Lakewood,	290 00	10 72 15 60 100 00 18 00 53 10				10 72 15 60 100 00 18 00 53 10	35 60 360 60	.31— .26 .28— .30
Long Branch,		19 57	56 42			19 57 56 42 51 69	195 160 217 193	.12+
Moorestown, Mt. Holly, New Gretna, Oceanic,	260 00	23 00  18 00 30 00	4 00 41 60			27 00 41 60 18 00 30 00	95 160 79 94	.28+ .26 .23-
Perrineville, Plattsburg, Plumsted, Pt. Pleasant,	75 00  	22 36 7 00 6 00 27 82				22 36 7 00 6 00 27 82	86 28 50 107	.26 .25 .12
Red Bank, Riverton, Calvary, Sayreville, German, Shrewsbury,	172 00	65 00 29 85 22 10 40 00				65 00 29 85 22 10 40 00	93 85 129	26 .32+ 26 .31+
Toms River.	290 00 290 00  230 00 250 00	26 00 15 60 52 40 30 00 13 78		4 6o		26 00 15 60 57 00 30 00 13 78	87 60 256 92 53	.30— .26 .22+ .33— .26
Tuckerton, West Mantoloking, Individual Gifts, Presbyterial Missionary, Temporary supplies,	50 00				\$35 24	35 24		
Totals,	\$3982 00	\$1510 93	\$130 99	\$6 6o.	\$35 24	\$1683 76	6,476	.26

# Schedule 1—(Continued.)

NAMES OF CHURCHES.	Payments to aid receiving churches.	Contributions from congregations	Contributions from Sabbath schools.	Contributions from societies.	Contributions from individuals.	Total contributions from churches.	Number of members in churches.	Average gifts per member,
WITHIN PRESBYTERY OF MORRIS AND OBANGE.								
Berkshire Valley, Mine Hill, Dover, Welsh, Boonton, Chatham, Chester, Dover, 1st, East Orange, 1st, "Arlington Avenue, "Bethel, Bethel, Bethel, Berick, Elmwood Chapel, Fairmount, Flanders, German Valley, Hanover, "Olivet, Madison, Mendham, 1st, "2d, Morris Plains, Morristown, 1st, "South Street, Mt. Freedom, Mt. Olive, Myersville, German, New Providence, New Vernon, Orange, 1st, "German, "Hill Side, "St. Cloud, Orange Valley, Parsippany, Pleasant Grove, Pleasant Grove, Pleasant Valley, Rockaway, Rockaway, Schooley's Mountain, South Orange, 1st, "Trinity, Stirling, Succasunna, Summit, Central, Vailsburgh, Whippany, Vyoming, Individual Gift,	\$350 00	10 00 10 62 18 00 5 00 42 25 15 00 98 70 55 00 3 87 28 00 92 41 5 00 20 00 10 50	\$7 00	\$55 \ightarrow \frac{3}{3} \ightarrow 3	\$14 75	\$ 0 50 8 70 5 70 109 25 100 00 1154 75 220 00 68 08 93 21 170 00 20 00 80 00 20 00 80 00 20 00 30 34 250 00 30 134 250 00 30 134 250 00 25 15 25 15 25 10 25 15 25 10 25 15 25 15 25 00 25 15 25 15 25 00 25 15 25 15 25 00 25 00 25 00 25 00 30 13 40 25 25 15 25 15 25 15 25 00 25 15 25 15 25 25 15 25 25 15 25 25 25 25 25 25 25 25 25 25 25 25 25	54 35 19 359 239 131 474 472 436 54 136 136 136 136 136 136 136 136	.19 + .2530
WITHIN PRESENTERY OF NEWARK.								
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NAMES OF CHURCHES.	Payments to aid- receiving churches	Contributions from congregations.	Contributions from Sabbath-schools.	Contributions from societies.	Contributions from individuals.	Total contributions from churches.	Number of members in churches.	Average gifts per member.
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WITHIN PRES. OF NEWARK—(Con.)								
Kearney, Knox, Lyons Farms, Montclair, 1st, Grace, Trinity, Newark, 1st, 3d, 6th, 1st German, 2d " 3d " 1st Italian, Bethany, Calvary, Calvary, Central, Fifth Avenue, Forest Hill, High Street, House of Hope, Immanuel German, Manhattan Park, Memorial, Park, Plane Street, Roseville, South Park, Wyckliffe, Roseland, Verona, Temporary supplies,	200 00 200 00 200 00	14 00 14 00 15 00 50 00 25 00 250 co 150 00 4 39 7 00 10 92	6 99	2 17		\$35 00 18 86 51 00 6 50 70 00 300 00 275 00 235 00 8 37 20 00 10 00 35 55 36 00 27 24 79 56 142 26 14 00 15 00 2	523 650 94 925 588	.12+ .26 .31+ .03+ .21+ .28+ .03- .08- .27-
WITHIN PRESBYTERY OF NEW BRUNSWICK.								
Alexandria, 1st, Amwell, 1st, '' 2d, '' United, Bound Brook, Dayton, Dutch Neck, Ewing, Flemington, Frenchtown, Hamilton Square, Holland, Hopewell, Kingston, Kirkpatrick Memorial, Lambertville, Lawrenceville, Milford, New Brunswick, 1st, '' 2d,		\$24 55 00 5 00 55 00 63 00 24 54 54 27 80 63 00 63 00 155 5 00 65	\$5 000 1 460 8 00	\$4 00		\$24 55 00 5 00 5 00 5 00 63 00 72 00 63 00 37 80 22 00 63 00 63 00 63 00 63 00 63 00 63 00 63 00 63 00 63 25 00 65	87 112 410 207 240 147 527 174 222 95 168 126 22 171 489 210 209 515	.21+ .06- .07+ .13+ .30+ .30- .30- .30- .30- .30- .30- .30- .31- .30- .31- .30- .31- .31- .30- .31- .31- .31- .32- .33- .33- .33- .33- .33- .33- .33

# SCHEDULE I—(Continued.)

NAMES OF CHURCHES.	Payments to aid.	Contributions from congregations.	Contributions from Sabbath schools.	Contributions from societies.	Contributions from individuals.	Total contributions from churches	Number of members in churches	Average gifts per member.
WITHIN PRESBYTERY OF NEW BRUNSWICK—(Con.)								
Pennington, Princeton, 1st, 2d, Witherspoon Street, Stockton, Titusville, Trenton, 1st, 2d, 3d, 4th, 5th Bethany, East Trenton, Halian Mission, Prospect Street, Walnut Avenue Gift of G," Totals,	\$175 00 138 00 125 00 12	\$32 20 195 38 207 64 10 00 27 30 21 35 281 35 12 00 115 00 100 00 3 00 20 00 20 00 		3 00	\$150 00	\$32 20 195 38 209 64 10 00 27 30 23 85 304 81 12 00 170 00 35 00 45 00 7 32 12 00 150 00	328 409 280 94 91 144 527 183 505 269 268 772 376 	.10—.48—.75—.11—.30 .17—.58—.07—.34—.13+.01+.12—65
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Bloomsbury,	200 00					15 00 15 00 22 00 35 00 10 00 22 45	117 152 76 146 72	.10—
Delaware, Franklin Furnace, Greenwich, Hackettstown, Harmony, Johnsonburg (Yellow Frame), Knowlton,	50 00	12 00 135 00 21 15 1 30				12 00 135 00 21 15 1 30 6 00	234 400 144 54 80	.05+ .35- .15- .02+ .07+
Knowlton, Lafayette, Marksboro, Musconetcong Valley, Newton, North Hardyston, Ogdensburg, Oxford, 1st, 2d, Phillipsburg, 1st, Westminister, Sparta, Stanhope, Stewartsville, Stillwater,	100 00	16 72 25 00 5 00 200 00 23 98				16 72 25 00 5 00 200 00 23 98	136 551 109	.25 .04— .36+ .22
Oxford, 1st,		20 00  8 80 15 00 21 00	4 74	\$11 25		20 00 4 74 20 05 15 00 21 00	278 300 177 114	.18+
Stanhope,	200 00	15 00 54 40 4 26				15 00 54 40 4 26	200	.26+ .27+ .05+

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NAMES OF CHURCHES.	Payments to aid- receiving churches.	Contributions frem congregations.	Contributions from Sabbath-schools.	Contributions from societies.	Contributions from individuals.	Total contributions from churches.	Number of members in churches.	Average gifts per member.
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WITHIN PRESBYTERY OF WEST JERSEY.								
Absecon, Pleasantville, Atco, Waterford, Atlantic City, 1st, " " Chelsea Misslon, " " Westminster Misslon, " " German, " " Olivet, Audnbon, Berlin, Billingsport, Swedesboro, Blackwood, Bridgeton, 1st, " 2d, " 4th, " Irving Avenue, " West, Bunker Hill, Glassboro, Camden, 1st, " 2d, " Bethany, " Chapel, " Calvary, " Chapel, " Liberty Park, Cape May City, Cedarville, Cods Spring, Green Creek, Deerfield, Elmer, Elwood Brainerd, Fairfield, Gloucester City, Greenwich, Haddonfield, Hammonton, 1st, " Italian, Holly Beach, Janvier, Liviely, Ling Messan, Litalian, Holly Beach, Janvier, Litalian,	\$83 33 } 275 00 205 00 200 00 100 00 175 00 200 00 200 00 200 00 200 00 200 00 200 00 200 00 250 00 250 00 250 00 250 00 250 00 250 00	132 00  {	\$20 00 15 00 18 44	\$37 000		\$11 10 20 28 8 8 70 6 24 4 152 00 10 56 28 08 35 16 00 122 05 28 08 35 16 00 122 05 00 122 05 00 122 05 00 10 50 00 10 10 10 10 10 10 10 10 10 10 10 10	1000 1434 377 122 253 41 1600 371 108 3163 371 108 4353 477 777 210 210 210 211 221 211 211 211 211 211	
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NAMES OF CHURCHES.	Payments to aid- receiving churches.	Contributions from congregations.	Contributions from Sabbath schools.	Contributions from societies.	Contributions from individuals.	Total contributions from churches.	Number of members in churches.  Average gifts per member,
North Cramer Hill, Grace, Ocean City, Pittsgrove, Salem, rst, Tuckahoe, Vineland, Wenonah, Williamstown, Woodbury, Woodstown, William Aikman, W. M. McCullough, Presbyterial Missionary, Temporary supplies,	100 00 300 00 515 00	\$27 30 14 10 47 35 58 00 7 00 61 00 36 00 65 14 16 00	\$11 25 17 95  15 00 3 00	12 00	\$10 00 25 00	25 00	47

Schedule 2.

Being a summary of columns 2, 3, 4, 5 and 6 of Schedule 1.

PRESBYTERIES.	Contributions from congregations	Contributions from Sabbath-schools.	Contributions from societies.	Contributions from individuals.	Total contribut ons.
Corisco, Elizabeth, Elizabeth, Jersey City, Monmouth, Morris and Orange, Newark, New Brunswick, Newton, West Jersey,	\$10 00 2,513 79 1,584 84 1,510 93 2,971 55 2,259 44 1,094 51 1,893 45	\$267 69 65 70 130 99 7 00 11 99 135 24 17 24 139 64	\$46 27 23 00 6 60 85 00 12 17 23 50 11 25 57 00	\$35 24 14 75 	\$10 00 2,827 75 1,673 54 1,683 76 3,078 30 2,283 61 2,687 18 1,133 00 2,125 09
Totals	\$16,216 96	\$775 49	\$264 79	\$244 99	\$17.502 23

SCHEDULE 3.

Showing the amounts which the respective Presbyteries were asked to Contribute, the amounts received, and the excess or deficiency.

PRESBYTERIES,	Amounts asked for.	Amounts received.	Excess.	Deficiency.
Corisco, Elizabeth, Elizabeth, Jersey City, Monmouth, Morris and Orange, Newark, Newark, New Brunswick, New Brunswick, West Jersey,	\$2,800 80 1,852 50 1,683 76 3,078 30 3,022 24 2,772 00 1,275 56 2,051 92 \$18,537 08 17,502 23	\$10 00 2,827 75 1,673 54 1,683 76 3,078 30 2,283 61 2,687 18 1,133 00 2,125 09 \$17,502 23	\$10 00 26 95 	
Deficiency,	\$1,034 85			\$1,034 85

SCHEDULE 4.

Showing the appropriations to the respective Presbyteries, the amounts paid for services therein, and the unused balances.

PRESBYTERIES.	Appropri- ations,	Amounts Paid.	Unused Balances.
Elizabeth,	\$1,300 00	\$1,145 84	\$154 16
Jersey City,	2,600 00	2,456 00	144 00
Monmouth,	4,000 00	3,982 00	18 00
Morris and Orange,	1,800 00	1,483 34	316 66
Newark,	1,775 00	1,750 00	25 00
New Brunswick,	1,200 00	1,200 00	
Newton,	1,200 00	1,000 00	200 00
West Jersey,	4,200 00	4,130 37	69 63
Administration Expenses,	300 00	280 48	19 52
	\$18,375 00	\$17,428 03	\$946 97

# V.—REPORT OF THE PERMANENT COMMITTEE ON FOREIGN MISSIONS.

Never has Foreign Missions had such a hearing as in this closing year of the century, accentuated by foes as well as friends. World's Council brought to New York hundreds of missionaries from nearly all countries and thousands of hearers, who, day after day, crowded great halls and churches with every indication of enthusiastic approval. The universality and magnitude of the gathering, its striking personnel, its solid and startling testimony. bore noble tribute to missions as a world-wide force, to missionaries as a matchless body of world benefactors, to the Christian church as the palladium, and, under God, the proprietor of this mighty agency. The foes of missions were somewhat stirred and a few discordant voices were heard at the time; when, later, a body of reactionary heathen in China arose against foreigners and foreign religions, making missionaries their special object of attack, the chorus of objectors became louder and pronounced missionaries the enemies of China, and missions a failure and a stumbling-block. Whatever may have been said justly as to Jesuitical intrigue, arrogance and spoliation had no application to the body of Protestant workers, who have always been the friends of the natives, many of them having, in the present crisis, risked their lives in defence of the persecuted Christians.

Unless the analogy of history shall fail, achievements more marked and sweeping may be looked for as the result of a prompt and aggressive treatment of this crisis. Leave China, just now; abandon the native Christians to their fate; relinquish strategic points gained through toils and tears of those gone to glory; confess defeat, and furl the flag of conquest, because of opposition? Let cravens do it, the missionaries never will! Withdraw funds, because some of the work is interrupted? Rather, redouble funds to meet losses and unusual expenses, and push the work as never before

To the bereaved parents and friends of the martyr missionaries (some of them greatly beloved among us) shall we offer condolence or congratulation? Both, surely; believing that the "joy which cometh in the morning" will cause them to forget "the weeping which endureth for a night."

Though China has so largely occupied our attention, it is not the only field which calls for sympathy. So does India, with its gigantic scourge of famine (for relief of which the Board has forwarded \$90,000); Persia and Syria, with their chronic misgovernment; Japan, with its irritating experiments in education; South America, priest ridden, and the Philippines, our newest field; and, not least, our own West Africa, whose force, so hopefully augmented a year or two ago, has been sorely depleted by sickness, while one or two

of the interior stations have had to be abandoned, owing to war between the local tribes. In spite of such drawbacks the membership in these countries is steadily increasing and the prospect was never brighter.

Siam, Laos and Korea continue to be favored fields, with comparatively little opposition and growth almost startling. What would be thought, in this country, of a record like that of Korea—841, or 43 per cent., increase in membership, and 261 churches, all but three self-supporting?

Turning our view to the home side of Foreign Missions, the moral and financial support of the work abroad we feel constrained to admonish our churches again that the chief resource is prayer to "the Lord of the harvest." If our people would pray aright, the support and success of missions would be assured. Let ourselves learn to pray "Thy kingdom come," and to plead God's abundant promises of enlargement and triumph; let us teach our people to offer intelligent and constant petitions for missions. The monthly concert will unite the prayers of God's people and afford noble opportunity for instruction. The monthly concert in every church, preferably on the Lord's Day, would mark a long step of progress.

To promote intelligent and systematic giving the church magazines and the tracts of the Board and the Woman's Boards should be in general and constant use. The Year-Book of Prayer in every home would be a valuable stimulus; the Assembly Herald Woman's Work, Over Land and Sea, which have attained a high degree of excellence, should be in reach of every family. The secular magazine and the novel might often be replaced with advantage by those inspiring annals of missionary life and labor, like Paton's, which make distant lands real and thrill us with the heroic adventures and accomplishments of God's messengers to the heathen.

Sixty-nine missionaries, the largest number yet, went last year. Many of them secured their own equipment. The number of Americans is 728, assisted by more than twice as many natives, in fifteen countries. To send and sustain these; to build and maintain churches, schools, hospitals; to provide a native literature, and to pay the necessary expenses of administration, the Church raised \$890,000. Of this, all but \$60,000 came from the living. The Woman's Boards raised just about the same amount as the churches proper, and the expenses of administration were 5 %. The total is a gratifying increase, having enabled the Board to begin its year with a surplus of \$25,000. Of this, \$14,000 was at once appropriated, largely for new dwellings for missionaries whose health was endangered by unsanitary surroundings. One third of our churches gave nothing.

Of the \$830,000 from the living church, the Synod of New Jersey gave \$86,000—more than one-tenth: much more if we add the sum

of \$20,000 reported to the Assembly but not credited to the churches by the Board. Of this \$20,000, more than half is traced to a single church. The aggregate from our Synod is \$1,545 less than last year as reported in the Assembly's Minutes. But when we discover that a single church reports \$10,000 less than last year, we see that there has been a considerable gain elsewhere. Your Committee have about reached the conclusion that comparisons are most safely made from the Board's Report. If all sums sent through other channels could be classed miscellaneous, our figures would yield more trustworthy conclusions. The *churches* of our Synod gave 69c. per member, exceeding New York, next highest, 17c. The churches of Morris and Orange Presbytery show an average of \$1.45, exceeding by 5c. the Presbytery of New York. The Assembly's Report shows 20 non-contributing churches in our Synod, the Board's, 46. The usual comparative statement is as follows:

Presbytery.	Gain.	Loss.	Blanks.	Total.
Corisco,		\$1 00	0	\$25 00
Elizabeth,		8,333 00	4	26,840 00
Jersey City,	\$2,550 00		4	8,028 00
Monmouth,	63 00		ıN.	B. 5,966 oo
Morris and Orange,	274 00		2	25,880 00
Newark,	803 00		2	18,113 00
New Brunswick,	1,822 00		0	10,332 00
Newton,	528 00		I	5,823 00
West Jersey,	749 00		5	4,837 00
	\$6,789 <b>o</b> o	\$8,334 00 6,789 00	20	\$105,841 00
Net loss,				

While our Synod is in some respects at the front, we have much yet to accomplish. Many churches are far below their privilege; a multitude of members give nothing; some of our cities have a standard exceedingly low. We must not be satisfied until the church members who now give nothing shall have become regular contributors and those who give but a trifle adopt a higher standard. The special effort of the immediate future should be to see that no church fails of a yearly gift and that no non-contributing member shall be unsolicited for one.

Your Committee has arranged with the Rev. J. H. Laughlin, or Chining Chow, China, and Rev. Melvin Fraser, of West Africa, to make educational tours in the Synod for the next two or three weeks, between Thanksgiving and Christmas. Churches desiring an address from them should see the Committee at once. It is especially desired to extend this privilege to churches who do not ordinarily hear missionaries.

The Committee offers for adoption the following resolutions:

- I. The Synod gives thanks to God for substantial progress in Foreign Missions, at home and abroad, even in troublous times, and for His marvelous preservation of the lives of so many of our missionaries in the midst of extreme danger.
- 2. Our heartfelt sympathy is extended to the families of the martyr missionaries, and to the survivors and the native Christians, in China and elsewhere who are carrying unwonted burdens.
- 3. We give renewed expression of confidence in our missions' force and our missions' administration, thankful that the Board and its Secretaries have had strength to endure and wisdom to direct through the stress of the past months.
- 4. To our Woman's Societies, always capable and devoted, we tender thanks for their valuable report and the assurance of our hearty co-operation; to our young people, appreciation of their labors and gifts and encouragement to larger endeavor.
- 5. Recognizing prayer and instruction as mainsprings of progress, we press the monthly concert upon every church, also the more general use of the magazines and tracts furnished by the church and the Boards. We also recommend special prayer during the week beginning October 28th, with reference to the present crisis in China.
- 6 We give indorsement and promise of help to our Committee in carrying out its projected educational tours by missionaries, welcoming these beloved brethren to our churches and our homes.
- 7. We believe that the time has come for systematic effort to make *every member* and *adherent* a regular supporter of missions, and we will exert ourselves to that end

HENRY S. BUTLER,

Chairman.

## VI.—TWENTY-THIRD ANNUAL REPORT OF THE WOMAN'S SYNODICAL SOCIETY OF HOME MISSIONS IN THE SYNOD OF NEW JERSEY.

The report of the year calls for a song of praise and a prayer of thanksgiving Bearing in mind our watchword for the past year, "intercessory prayer," we may fully believe that God has indeed received our supplication and blessed our work out of the fulness of His love.

Reviewing the work of the eight Presbyterial societies, with their 198 individual societies, embracing a membership of 10,868, 84 Bands, 69 contributing Sunday-schools, and Young People's Societies of Christian Endeavor, which form the Synod—

We note first the contributions according to Presbyteries:

							Value of Boxes	Money.
Elizabeth,							\$2,612 31	\$5.364 53
Jersey City,							1,681 00	2,019 48
Monmouth,							1,212 66	1,811 03
Morris and Orange,				•			5,216 84	5,882 27
Newark							2,877 79	2,137 05
New Brunswick,							1,805 09	2,703 13
Newton,							499 00	1,615 85
West Jersey,						٠	1,247 06	1,285 53

The total amounts paid to the Woman's Board of Home Missions during the year ending March 31st, 1900 are \$22,242.28 for Home Missions \$2,018.59 for Freedmen, making in all \$24,260.87, being an increase of \$2,273.67 over last year.

Of this total, \$3,320.48 was contributed to the Synodical special objects, namely:

Asheville Farm School,					\$1,028 35
To the Work in Alaska,					682 05
Good-Will Mission,					604 91
Ferguson Academy,					1,005 07

The Presbyterial societies are well officered and are doing good work. The membership of the societies has increased in numbers, the gain being 2,540. The number of Bands is the same, while there has been an increase in the number of contributing Sunday-schools.

The following are a few facts of interest concerning each of the Presbyterial societies:

Elizabeth brings in reports from twenty-nine auxiliaries. Fifteen of these auxiliaries have increased their contributions, four have returned an equal amount. Last year the auxiliaries supported ten scholarships and eight teachers.

Testimony comes from the *Jersey City* Presbytery of special meetings being held for prayer by many of the auxiliaries. Never before so great a spiritual interest in the work. Many evidences of the Holy Spirit in their midst.

Although *Monmouth* reports a less number of societies, there is a larger membership and a greater interest manifested, as evidenced in the increased number of meetings held.

The auxiliaries of the *Morris and Orange* Presbytery report a deeper interest, a larger attendance at the meetings, and their usual zealous support of the work of the Woman's Board.

Newark reports more knowledge of the specific work of the Woman's Board and more interest in the meetings of the auxiliaries. Eleven scholarships and three teachers are supported.

New Brunswick reports that a greater knowledge of mission work is manifest; a larger membership and increased contributions.

Newton reports a loss in membership. A larger contribution of money shows the interest in mission work has been fully maintained

West Jersey reports an increase in money, in organization, and an increase in interest and in prayers. Truly a shining record.

Thus the work goes on from year to year, characterized by fairly liberal offerings and self-sacrifice; inspired by a living faith in the Master's promise of a triumphant and joyful victory "In His Name."

New conditions confront the Woman's Board. With each year come new opportunities, greater responsibilities. Among these is the assumption on the part of the Woman's Board of an equal share in providing for the salaries and traveling expenses of the Synodical Missionaries, who will have an oversight of our schools located in their Synods.

By reason of pledged funds, raised entirely as an extra, the Woman's Board were enabled to commission five teachers for Porto Rico. Both Cuba and Porto Rico are willing and eagerly waiting to welcome the teacher of the pure gospel.

Our prayers are still needed for those who are fighting the battle of righteousness against the Mormon iniquity. Much has been accomplished by united prayerful effort. Important results are still to be achieved, notably, securing an amendment to the National Constitution making polygamy a crime in every State in the Union.

While the new work is vastly important, the old is no less so, but calls for renewed zeal and that steadfastness of purpose which is sure to effect great results.

MRS. E. C. MILES, Corresponding Secretary.

### VII.—TWENTY-THIRD ANNUAL MEETING OF THE WOMAN'S SYNODICAL SOCIETY FOR HOME MISSIONS.

The twenty-third annual meeting of the Woman's Synodical Society of Home Missions in the Synod of New Jersey was held in the First Presbyterian Church of Newark, N. J., on October 11th, 1900.

The meeting was called to order by the President, Mrs. W. E. Honeyman, at 11 A. M., and opened with the reading of Scripture from the fifth chapter of Ephesians, by the President, followed by a prayer by Mrs. J. H. Owens.

The roll was called by Presbyteries.

The report of the Contingent Fund, read by the Treasurer, Mrs. J. H. Manning, was accepted.

A summary of the year's work, presented by Mrs. E. C. Miles in her report as Corresponding Secretary, showed an encouraging increase in contributions and in membership. This report was accepted, and a motion made and carried that it be sent, with the minutes of this meeting, to Synod.

The report of the Secretary of Literature, given by Mrs. William Nelson, showed the valuable work done by the Secretaries of Literature, and called attention to 323 new subscriptions to the Home Mission Monthly secured this year.

The report of Young People's Work, owing to the illness of the Young People's Secretary, Mrs. Bennett, was presented by Miss Pond, and showed a gain in amounts contributed and in number of organizations. This report was, on motion, accepted.

Mrs. Irwin, as Secretary for Freedmen presented her first annual report, this office having been created at the meeting of the Synodical Society one year ago. The report showed an increase in gifts of money for work for Freedmen, also in the number of boxes sent to Ferguson Academy, the special object of the New Jersey Societies.

The offering taken during the morning session was reported as amounting to \$35.32, to be equally divided between the Home and Foreign Societies.

The President spoke briefly of the prospective work for the year, and expressed a hope that the special objects would be continued. As an encouragement she mentioned that the amounts given last year for these four special objects had in each case exceeded the amount asked. A leaflet will soon be published giving in detail the work and needs of these four fields.

Mrs. Nelson called attention to the attractive program prepared for use in Sunday-schools on the Sunday before Thanksgiving Day.

Upon motion it was

Resolved, That we accept the recommendations of the Won an's Board, and with gratitude to the Heavenly Father for the success

with which He has crowned this Synodical Society, promise to do our utmost to raise for our special work—\$500 for Alaska; \$500 for Good Will Mission; \$1,000 for Asheville Farm School, and \$1,000 for work among the Freedmen in Ferguson Academy, Abbeville S. C.

This was carried unanimously, by a rising vote.

Mrs. Nelson spoke of the auti-polygamist movement and urged the circulation of petitions to members of Congress in reference to the proposed constitutional amendment. Upon motion of Mrs. Nelson it was

Resolved, That we most earnestly urge the Senators and Representatives in Congress from New Jersey to do all in their power to secure early action by Congress, proposing an amendment to the Constitution of the United States, prohibiting polygamy and polygamous cohabitation in the United States, or in any place subject to the jurisdiction thereof, and providing for the punishment, including the disfranchisement, of all persons guilty of such practices.

The report of the Committee on Nominations was adopted, resulting in the election of officers as follows:

President—MRS. W. E. HONEYMAN, 56 Lincoln Place, Plainfield. Honorary Vice-President—MRS. C. H. LANGDON, Elizabeth.

Vice-Presidents-MRS. J. H. OWENS, Paterson.

MRS. G. W. B. CUSHING, East Orange.

MRS. D. C. BLAIR, Belvidere.

MRS. JAMES W. VAN DYKE, Stockton.

MRS. J. E. CURRY, Cranbury.

MRS. J. M. PAULDING, Daretown.

MRS. E. B. COBB, Elizabeth.

Corresponding Secretary—Mrs. E. C. Miles, Roselle Recording Secretary—Miss E. D. Panton, 20 Library Place,

Princeton.

Secretary of Literature—Mrs. Wm. Nelson, 288 Broadway, Paterson.

Secretary of Young People's Work—Mrs. F. S. Bennett, Hamilton Avenue, Englewood.

Secretary for Freedmen-Mrs. F. S. Irwin, 139 Hollywood Avenue, East Orange.

Treasurer of Contingent Fund—MRS J. H. MANNING, 413 East 6th Street, Plainfield.

### SYNODICAL COMMITTEES.

#### ELIZABETH.

Mrs. F. H. Pierson, Elizabeth.

Mrs. W. P. Stevenson, Roselle.

Mrs E. B. Cobb, Elizabeth.

Mrs. J. M. McNulty Woodbridge. Mrs. W. E. Honeyman, Plainfield Miss M. Josephine Petrie, Plainfield. Miss M. J. Peck, Elizabeth.

### JERSEY CITY.

Miss L. C. Pudney Passaic.
Mrs. Charles D. Shaw, Paterson.
Mrs. William Nichols, Jersey City.
Mrs. Alex. Campbell, Jersey City.
Mrs. William Nelson Paterson.

#### MONMOUTH.

Mrs. J. D. Long, Freehold. Mrs. J. L. Ewing, Jamesburg. Mrs. J. E. Curry, Cranbury

### MORRIS AND ORANGE.

Mrs. Robert Aikman, Madison. Mrs. J. B. Beaumont, Morristown. Mrs. Albert Erdman, Morristown. Mrs. G. W. B. Cushing, East Orange. Miss Sarah Little, Morristown.

### NEWARK.

Mrs. James R. Gibson, Newark. Mrs. Paul Babcock, Montelair. Mrs. J. P. Jones, Bloomfield. Mrs. Isaac Marshall Newark. Mrs. John Maxwell, Montelair.

### NEW BRUNSWICK.

Mrs. Charles Brearley, Trenton.
Mrs. Elmer E. Green, Trenton.
Mrs. P. I. Nevius, Flemington.
Mrs. A. V. Van Fleet, Flemington.
Mrs. J. B. Hopewell, Flemington.
Miss Margaret Sloan, Trenton.
Mrs. James W. Van Dyke, Stockton.

#### NEWTON.

Miss Isabel Stewart, Washington. Miss McMurty, Newton. Mrs. Wm. Morrow, Belvidere. Mrs. Wm. Thomson, Stewartsville.

### WEST JERSEY.

Mrs. M. J. Paulding, Daretown. Mrs. John M. Moore, Clayton. Miss Nellie M. Skinner, Woodbury. Miss Nellie P. Elmer Bridgeton.

The Committee on place of meeting reported an invitation to hold next year's meeting at Washington, N. J. On motion, this invitation was accepted.

On behalf of the two societies, Mrs. Stevenson thanked most cordially the Hospitality Committee and all who had made the meeting in the First Church of Newark so pleasant.

The meeting adjourned at 12:30. Prayer was offered and the benediction pronounced by Rev. D. R. Frazer, D.D., the pastor of the First Church.

ELIZABETH D. PAXTON,

Recording Secretary.

## VIII.—HISTORICAL SKETCH OF THE WOMAN'S SYNODICAL SOCIETY OF HOME MISSIONS IN THE SYNOD OF NEW JERSEY.

MRS. W. E. HONEYMAN, PRESIDENT.

It seems like a paradox to say that a child is older than its mother, but it is a fact that the Woman's Synodical Society of New Jersev came into being one year before the Woman's Executive Committee of Home Missions of the Presbyterian Church.

The records show that our New Jersey Society was organized in October, 1877, while the "parent" society was organized December 12th, 1878, or one year later. In fact, the Synodical Committee, appointed by our Synod in conjunction with the committees of a few other Synods, organized the Woman's Executive Committee of Home Missions, now called the Woman's Board of Home Missions, located at 156 Fifth Avenue, thus creating the organization that we delight to regard as the parent society in woman's organized effort for Home Missions.

The causes that led up to the organization of women for Home Mission work were simple, yet potent, and may best be described in the words of the late honored Secretary of the Board of Home Missions, the Rev. Henry Kendall, D.D., who says: 'As the railroads opened Utah, Southern Colorado, New Mexico and Arizona, they brought within the bounds of our Presbyteries Indian tribes, a large number of Spanish-speaking Mexicans, and the inhabitants of far-off Alaska, to whom home missionaries were sent, but the missionaries soon discovered that these exceptional populations could not be reached by the simple preaching of the word. They found the Indians in many places in heathen darkness, needing all the appliances used to reach pagan nations. The Mormons were under the power of the priesthood to such an extent as to preclude all approach to them

In view of these difficulties the missionaries asked either to be recalled or furnished with schools by which they might be able to reach the children and through them the parents. The Board for a time was powerless, and unable to see a way of solving the difficulty.

The matter was brought to the attention of the General Assembly. That body, recognizing the fact that the Board of Home Missions was chartered to supply destitute places with ministers and not with teachers, deemed it unadvisable to deviate from the policy of former years. They therefore called upon the women of the church to take up the school work and act as pioneers to our regular home missionaries.

The response was generous and hearty, for the women saw in this something corresponding to the "Zenena work in India."

The General Assembly of 1875 recommended the organization of a Woman's Home Missionary Society, with auxiliary societies under the advice and counsel of the Home Mission Board.

The Assembly of 1876 went a step farther and urged a thorough organization and suggested that the Synods appoint annually a Synodical Committee in each Synod.

In 1877 the Assembly made a still farther advance and recommended that the work be done through "the Session, the Presbytery, the Synod, and the General Assembly."

In response to these recommendations of the General Assembly and the resolutions of our Synod, thirty-nine women of New Jersey met to organize the Woman's Synodical Society of Home Missions. October 16th, 1877, in the Third Presbyterian Church of Newark, at eleven o'clock A.M. Mrs. Dr. Wilson, of that city presided over the meeting, which was opened by singing the doxology; prayer by Mrs C. H. Langdon, of Elizabeth, and the reading of the second chapter of Isaiah

All the Presbyteries were represented except West Jersey, and this was unrepresented simply because of a meeting at home. Mrs. Thomas McCauley, of Hackettstown, wife of Rev. Thomas McCauley, was elected President for the ensuing year; Mrs R. E. Haines, of Elizabeth, Corresponding Secretary; and Mrs. C. H. Langdon. of Elizabeth, Recording Secretary—which position she faithfully filled until obliged to resign by ill health, a few years ago.

A Synodical Committee, consisting of two from each Presbytery, was also chosen, and after listening to a stirring address from Rev. Dr. Roberts, the meeting adjourned.

The Society held its first annual meeting at Morristown, October 15th, 1878, with an attendance of only thirty-six. As Mrs McCauley had moved out of the State during the year, Mrs. H. D. Gregory, of Blairstown, was elected to fill her place, which place she held until October, 1885, when she resigned, owing to her removal to Philadelphia. She was a woman of wonderful executive ability, of deep piety, and possessed an abiding interest in every form of home and foreign missionary work; and to her we ascribe much of our success for our thorough organization.

October 14th, 1885. Mrs. W. E. Honeyman, was chosen as her successor, and she has filled that position until the present time.

Our work is educational and structural in its character, and is among the exceptional populations of our land, namely, the Alaskans, the Mormons, the Mexicans, the Indians and the Mountain People of the South, the latter class alone numbering nearly 3,000,000 people.

We have also given substantial aid to the Freedmen and assist in supplying means for their education and christianization.

Our money goes toward the support of the 372 teachers and 126 schools under the care of the Woman's Board of Home Missions; a small part being devoted to "Special Objects." We have built a fine academy at Logan, Utah, at a cost of \$9,000; built a hospital at Tucson, Arizona, for the benefit of our Indian Training School; contributed toward the support of the school for Indian boys and girls at Good Will South Dakota; helped erect a chapel at La Luz and Chaperito, New Mexico, and contributed \$9,000 for the Boys' Farm School at Asheville, North Carolina. Also contributed for several years to the school among the Freedmen, at Sumter, North Carolina and Ferguson Academy, Abbeville.

The amount of money raised the first year was inconsiderable but in 1884 it reached the sum of \$6,829 70. In 1894 our gifts amounted to \$19 683,57, a very encouraging gain in a single decade. To-day we report for the year ending March 31st, 1900, \$24.260.87. During the twenty-three years since our organization we have contributed \$315,000 to the Home Mission cause. The Presbyterial societies were organized in the following order:

Morris and Or	aı	ıg	e,					1880
New Brunswic	k	,						1882
Newton,								1885
Jersey City,								1885
Monmouth, .								1885
Elizabeth, .								1885
West Jersey,								1885
Newark,								1888

They are all doing excellent work, under the leadership of efficient officers. Auxiliary to the parent society, there are within our bounds 198 local societies and 84 bands. The membership of our societies is at present 10,868

We have added to our corps of officers a Secretary of Literature, to disseminate information concerning the leaflets, and to secure subscriptions for the Home Mission Monthly, a magazine published by the Woman's Board of Home Missions in New York. This magazine has over 2,000 subscribers in our Synod and is growing in usefulness and popularity. "The Lord gave the Word; great was the company of women that published it."

### IX.—TWENTY-THIRD ANNUAL REPORT OF THE WOMAN'S SYNODICAL SOCIETY FOR FOREIGN MISSIONS.

When undertaking the task of formulating a report of missionary work for the year 1899–1900, one realizes how fast history is being made in our time and how, more than ever before, Foreign Missions are becoming an important factor in the world's history

Only one missionary to China sounds a note of alarm foreshadowing the dreadful events of this past summer. Mrs. W. B. Hamilton writes from Chinanfu: "The persecution by the Big Knife Society has rendered it impossible to go into the villages. The country women will not come in now, because they fear an attack on our place here."

In India, famine, plague and drought have prevailed. "It has been an awful visitation."

Persia and Mexico make urgent appeals for means and workers to carry forward mission work among the women and girls.

Siam and Laos send their usual hopeful reports of work accomplished and new work undertaken.

The interest felt in the work abroad cannot be entirely gauged by the sum of our gifts, but it represents that interest in some degree.

The amounts contributed by the various Presbyterial Societies are as follows:

Elizabeth,											\$5,945	65
Jersey City	, .										2,630	51
Monmouth,											2,367	88
Morris and	Oı	an	ıg	e,							5.347	19
Newark, .											5,187	27
New Bruns	wi	ck.	,								4.435	10
Newton, .											1,817	16
West Jersey	7,										1,771	09
Т	ot:	al,	,								\$29,679	 76

In addition to the amount here credited to the Presbytery of Morris and Orange, they contributed \$824.00 through the New York Board.

"The special object work, in its new form has met with less opposition than was anticipated. The results of such giving may be gathered in part from the letters and reports of the missionaries, but not fully will they be known till that day when the Lord maketh up His jewels—then it may be found that your unselfish bounty has added lustre to the Redeemer's crown and that names are written in heaven because of your unspecified giving on earth."

LILIAN ALLEN MARTIN,

Corresponding Secretary.

## X.--TWENTY SECOND ANNUAL MEETING OF THE WOMAN'S SYNODICAL SOCIETY FOR FOREIGN MISSIONS.

The twenty-second annual meeting of the Woman's Synodical Society for Foreign Missions was held in the First Presbyterian Church, Newark, N. J., October 11th, 1900.

Mrs. Stevenson, the President presided

The service opened with singing "Glorious things of Thee are spoken."

Dr. Frazer, pastor of the church, very cordially welcomed the Society, to which Mrs. Stevenson responded, saying that we all felt it most appropriate that we should meet in this particular church, as it was here that the Society had its birth.

The report of the Corresponding Secretary, Mrs. Chalmers Martin, was read and accepted, after which the President expressed the regret of the Society that because of removal from our Synod, Mrs. Martin could no longer serve the Society as its Corresponding Secretary.

The report of the Treasurer of the Contingent Fund was read and accepted. Having a balance in the treasury of \$68.00, it was voted to send \$50.00 to the General Fund.

Resolutions were offered by Mrs. Forman of Jersey City, in regard to the death of Mrs. Joel Parker, of Freehold, to the effect that deeply missing the presence of Mrs. Parker and giving thanks to God for the many years she was permitted to be with us, the Society takes up this work which has been laid down by her with renewed alacrity, emulating her zeal, confidence and faith.

These resolutions were adopted and a copy ordered to be sent to the family of Mrs. Parker; also ordered that they be placed on the minutes of this Society.

Mrs. Stevenson urged us to more earnest work, and more generous giving as a new century opens up before us. She also called our attention to the feast the literature held out to us.

Mrs. Peter Stryker, of Bound Brook, gave the report of Young People's work. She entreated the societies not to divert their funds from their pledged channels. First make good your pledges and after that be generous in other directions. This report was accepted.

The Committee on Nominations reported as follows:

President - Mrs. W. P. Stevenson, Roselle.

ELIZABETH PRESBYTERY.

Vice-Presidents—Mrs. J. T. Kerr, Elizabeth.
Miss M. J. Petrie, Plainfield.

JERSEY CITY PRESBYTERY.

Mrs. S. R. Forman, Jersey City. Mrs. P. F. Leavens, Passaic.

MONMOUTH PRESBYTERY.

Mrs. A. H. Young, Matawan. Mrs. Thompson, Red Bank.

MORRIS AND ORANGE PRESBYTERY.

Mrs. G. W. B. Cushing, East Orange. Mrs. R. L. S. Paton, East Orange.

NEWARK PRESBYTERY.

Miss A. M. Carter Newark. Mrs. W. J. Rusling, Newark.

NEW BRUNSWICK PRESBYTERY.

Solver

Mrs. E. M. Hunt, Trenton.

Mrs. J. J. Davidson, New Brunswick.

NEWTON PRESBYTERY.

Miss S. D. Thomson, Newton. Mrs. W. R. Scranton, Belvidere.

WEST JERSEY PRESBYTERY.

Mrs. J. M. Moore, Clayton. Miss H. F. Van Meter, Salem.

Recording Secretary—Mrs. J. H. Owens, Paterson.

Corresponding Secretary—Mrs. Walter Condict, Jersey City.

Treasurer—Miss Ellen M. Colton, Elizabeth.

Secretary of Literature—Miss Ada E. Chandler, Roselle.

Secretary of Young People's Work—Mrs. Peter Stryker, Bound Brook.

This report was accepted.

After a few moments spent in discussion as to the best way of interesting our societies in the different lines of work as prescribed by our Board, the meeting adjourned to meet in Washington, October, 1901.

MRS. J. H. OWENS,

Recording Secretary.

### XI.—REPORT OF THE PERMANENT COMMITTEE ON SABBATH-SCHOOL WORK.

Statistics. – The statistical reports for last year show 443 schools, as against 454 reported the previous year. The total membership of these schools is 81,713, a net increase of 1,823. During the year there have been added 6,305 new scholars, a very gratifying gain as compared with the 1,596 reported last year. The Presbyteries reporting gain in membership are Elizabeth, Jersey City, Monmouth, New Brunswick and West Jersey. The largest gains have been made in the Presbyteries of Jersey City, New Brunswick and Elizabeth in the order named. During the past year 1,842 scholars of our schools have been received into the membership of the church, a matter of devout thankfulness to Almighty God.

Home Department.—Last year's report showed 3,477 members enrolled. This year there were 4,507, an increase of 1,030. The Presbytery of New Brunswick leads with 988, and West Jersey follows closely with 819. Your Committee would commend to the churches of Synod the "Home Department Quarterly," and other supplies for this branch of our work, issued by our own Board of Publication and Sabbath-school Work. In more than two-thirds of our schools the Shorter Catechism is taught and the Westminster Lesson Helps are used.

The Twentieth Century Movement.—3,162 schools were reported to the last General Assembly as having joined the Twentieth Century Movement, of which 140 were from the Synod of New Jersey, as compared with 59 reported last year. The Presbytery of Elizabeth reports 19; Jersey City, 12; Monmouth, 25; Morris and Orange, 16; Newark, 23; New Brunswick, 10; Newton, 11, and West Jersey, 24.

There is great need in our Sunday-schools of better methods of retaining the scholars in our schools, and so of stopping the fearful leaks that are draining away our membership. While 6,305 were added to our schools last year, we are able to report a net gain of only 1,823; so that during the year 4,482 have been lost from our schools. We believe that better teaching and more faithful attendance on the part of many of our teachers would produce better results, and would in this connection commend to our schools the new movement in Normal Work, now being considered by our Board of Publication and Sabbath-school Work, which contemplates nothing less than the organization, equipment and conducting of a Normal Department in every Presbyterian Sabbath-school, and which it is hoped will shortly be brought to the notice of all our Sunday-school workers.

Offerings.—Last year the churches of our Synod contributed to the Sunday-school Board of our church \$12,423, as against \$10,678 the previous year; of this amount the Sunday-schools gave \$4,619 this year, and \$4,181 the year previous. Last year the Sunday-schools contributed to other Boards of the church \$17.346; the previous year, \$17,423.

Mission Work.—During the past year the Board has conducted its operations in 24 Synods, extending over 32 States and Territories and in Cuba; 80 Missionaries have been engaged in this work, as pioneers, preparing the way for the home missionary and the church to follow; 836 schools have been organized and 329 reorganized, as the result of their labors; into these schools have been gathered at the outset 3,837 teachers and 36,276 scholars, a total membership of 40,113; in prosecuting this work 78,618 homes have been visited, and our missionaries are enabled to report 1,447 hopeful cases of conversion; at the present time there are in existence 3,796 Sunday-schools organized by the missionaries of the Board, and 459 churches which have grown out of them.

The Committee recommend for adoption the following resolutions:

- I. That Synod reaffirms its recommendation of the Twentieth Century Movement during this, its closing year, and urges its Sundayschools to make special and continuous effort to gather in the more than fifty per cent. of the children of school age in the State of New Jersey who are yet outside of the Sunday-school, in order that the desired result may be reached, of gathering into our Presbyterian Sunday-schools five hundred thousand new scholars by April 1st, 1901.
- 2. That we recommend the observance of Children's Day, the second Sabbath of June, and Rallying Day, the last Sabbath of September; and that liberal offerings be made on these days for the mission work of our Board of Publication and Sabbath-school Work.
- 3. That in view of the increased interest in the study of the Westminster Shorter Catechism, as evidenced by the fact that during the past year the Board awarded a prize of a Teachers' Bible to 1,790 scholars of our Sunday-schools, under eighteen years of age, who have been certified to the department as having correctly recited the entire Shorter Catechism, we recommend to Church Sessions Sunday-school Superintendents and parents the great importance of teaching the Shorter Catechism to the children of the church.
- 4. That our Committee on Sabbath-school Work be directed to examine the annual reports and other official publications of the New Jersey Sunday-school Association and to report such facts concerning its aims, methods and needs as the said Committee deems worthy of Synod's attention.

HENRY C. CRONIN,

### XII.--REPORT OF THE PERMANENT COMMITTEE ON YOUNG PEOPLE'S SOCIETIES.

With the echoes of the New Jersey Christian Endeavor convention still sounding in our ears, we come to our seventh report on Young People's Societies. It is very evident to your Committee that there is a general desire on the part of our church authorities that our societies may abound yet more and more in the fruitage that pertains to a Presbyterian vineyard. This expectation is natural and right—Before all else, our societies are first to be recognized as belonging to the Presbyterian Church

In making up our report to Synod, our Presbyterial chairmen are called upon for suggestions as to what should be emphasized. Accordingly, one of them says: "I think it would be wise to urge pastors and ruling elders to encourage the Young People's Societies under their care, in order that they may increase in loyalty to the church."

Another chairman says: "I notice a distinct falling off in interest towards the work by the young people, and if our pastors do not have a care, the conditions will become similar to those before the C. E. movement was inaugurated; conditions often unsatisfactory and unfruitful. I do not advocate the abandonment of the C. E. name, but I do urge the abandonment of the disposition to let that name do all the work. Our societies should become more centralized and should receive their greatest inspiration from the individual church and denominational work." These opinions are not introduced as an unfavorable criticism of Christian Endeavor ideas or methods. Far otherwise. They are the voicing of a feeling that we must take account of. They should call us to consider, not so much whether this or that organization is to blame, but the rather how can we develop the character and occupy the energies of our young people; how can we increase their loyalty to Christ and the church; how can we protect them from the temptations of worldliness and irreverence? It is no wonder that some show a decrease in love and zeal, when we see the many evil influences in our day, which woo them away from the church. It is not surprising that we find these things in our societies, when we can hardly keep them out of our homes.

Particular emphasis is placed upon the need of improvement, by the appointment in the last General Assembly of two Committees, one of which was entrusted with the "whole subject of Young People's Work." and the other with the matter of Young People's offerings (see Minutes of General Assembly, 1900, pp. 159–133). In view of these appointments, one of our chairmen says "it would hardly be wise to suggest any new methods or enterprises until we hear from the Assembly."

Whether anything comes of this action or not one thing is certain, the three parties most interested in the young people—the Lord, the Church, and the home—must get closer together in behalf of these loved ones, if they are to be fitted for the work and duty of the future. We have often spoke of these things to Synod, and have now no new appeal.

### I.-SYNODICAL HOME MISSIONS.

The relation of the societies to Synodical Home Missions should be decided by Session. Accordingly some have been assigned a part of the church apportionment and do not appear separately on the list of contributors. Others have not been so assigned because they were considered to be already giving in the Sunday-school which was assigned. In many cases, we have reason to believe, the Session has no system nor decision in the matter, and the society gives to the first one that makes the loudest appeal. Our opinion is that our young people should be connected in some definite way with Synodical Home Missions In the absence of any other plan, they should make a society offering to this work. For the year ending, our Sunday-schools and societies gave \$1,039, of which the latter gave \$204 Our societies could easily give three times this amount to this work, which is justly the pride of Synod.

### II.-MISSIONARY ENTERPRISES.

Here again Session ought to be the guide and helper. Whether the societies give to all the Boards or not, they ought certainly to be interested in Home and Foreign Missions. They must get interested in something, if they are going to live. If we do not set before them our own work, they will do some other. Nor should they be blamed for that. Surely nothing can be more interesting and important than the specific work assigned by our Home and Foreign Boards and undertaken under the particular direction of the various Presbyteries, where the groups are placed. Under this plan Elizabeth societies are giving for Rev. Geo. P. Pierson, Sapporo, Japan; Jersey City, for Rev. Win. J. Drummond, Nanking, China; Monmouth, for Rev. Chas. H. Bandy, Fatehgarh, India; Morris and Orange, for Rev. A. V. Bryan, Hiroshima, Japan and Rev. Robt. M. Craig, Albuquerque, New Mexico; Newark, for Dr. John Inglis, medical missionary, Peking, China; New Brunswick, for Rev. Chas. A. Killie, Peking, China; Newton and West Jersey, for Rev. Jos. M. Goheen, Kolhapur, India.

The interest in these enterprises steadily continues and might reach the point of the full salary for each missionary if persons could be found with time to work it up. This has been done by New Brunswick for the fifth year in succession. It is good to know that, during the trying days of the Chinsse crisis, great sympathy was felt by the Young People's Societies for their missionaries, in whose behalf their prayers were abundant, and who were delivered from the teeth of the dragon.

#### III.-THE CHRISTIAN TRAINING COURSE.

Matters of Bible study and Christian training are becoming more and more pressing. In many quarters there is new interest in Bible study. The sales of the Bible still exceed those of the most popular novel. Many plans for Bible study present themselves. Our societies need the advice of pastors and teachers, in order that they may not be led into study courses where loose views of the Bible are taught and the authority of Holy Scripture weakened. We have every year presented to Synod definite suggestions as to a series of text-books suitable for Christian training. In our Course two principles have prevailed, (1) the use of an inexpensive text-book, small but standard; (2) an elementary treatment of the subject, with references for wider reading. We present the following arrangement for 1901:

(1.) Biblical Department.—The New Testament and its Writers, by the Rev. J. A. McClymont, D.D., of Aberdeen, one of the Guild Text-Books of the Church of Scotland. Price 25 cents.

Last year, for this department, we recommended *Our Lord's Teaching*, by Rev. James Robertson, D.D., one of the Guild Text-Books, and offered by Revell Co. at 25 cents. This book furnishes an excellent summary on the current Sunday-school Lessons in the Life of Christ, which will continue for six months in 1901.

- (2.) Historical Department.—*The Presbyterian Churches*, by Rev. J. N. Ogilvie, M.A., author of the Guild Text-Books Price 25 cents.
- (3.) Missionary Department.—Dawn on the Hills of T'ang, by Harlan P. Beach, Educational Secretary of the Student Volunteer Movement for Foreign Missions. Price 50 cents.

These three books are well worth study. They will be sent post-paid for the price named, by Revell Co., 156 Fifth Ave, New York.

#### IV. - STATISTICS.

In the last General Assembly an overture from the Synod of Ohio brought up again the matter of Young People's offerings,

and the manner of reporting them. The subject was referred to a Committee to report next year. The question is one of interest, but we shall have to refer enquirers to page 133 of the Minutes of General Assembly. The plan approved by General Assembly two years ago, agreeable to an arrangement between the Assembly's Boards and the Woman's Boards, by which all Young People's Societies report through the Women's Boards, has worked well and has caused very little friction. As the wishes of societies and Sessions as to destination are respected, and as the Women's Boards provide some specific work for missionary groups in a way exactly like the Assembly's Boards, there seems little reason at present to change. There is no doubt that uniformity in this matter is a very great help to all concerned. Our statistics are based for the most part upon the reports of the Boards, and in part upon those of the New Jersey Christian Endeavor Union.

There are 267 Christian Endeavor Societies in Synod, numbering about 9 200 active members, and 150 Junior Endeavor Societies with about 3,300 members. Our Young People's Societies of all kinds, including Mission Bands, number about 530, with 14,000 active members. These gave to Home Missions \$4,680, being \$432 more than last year; to Foreign Missions, \$6,325, a decrease of \$106; to all other Boards, \$589, of which \$205 was given to the Freedmen's Board or to all our Boards \$11 594 being an advance on 1899 of \$605. This sum is worthy of praise. Though it is not a great advance on last year, it is to be remembered that last year witnessed a great effort to pay the debts of the Boards, and yet this year's giving among the young people goes beyond that. It is a goodly offering. Without doubt they can give more, if asked to do so. This offering is a very encouraging feature of this work. It proves that there is a good and increasing field in Young People's Work that may yield large results, if we have the grace and wisdom for its proper cultivation.

We advise that the following resolutions be adopted by Synod:

- 1. That we remind our Sessions that there are many appeals being made to our societies that are likely to draw away their attention from their own church, and many influences operating to undermine their consecration and we urge our Sessions to get into close touch with their young people, in order to guide and help them on to the best things.
- 2. That we commend our Young People's Societies for the good works which they are doing, and remind them that as young Presbyterians God has given to them great privileges and duties, and we call upon them to come up heartily and fully to the help of the Lord against the mighty, and to make sure that their own church shall lack nothing which they can supply.

3. That while we commend to their attention and support all the Boards of our Church, we would emphasize the needs of Synodical Home Missions, and suggest that each Society be requested, subject to the advice of Session, to make a Thanksgiving offering of at least three dollars for this work.

HUGH B. MACCAULEY,

Chairman.

### XIII.—REPORT OF THE PERMANENT COMMITTEE ON SABBATH OBSERVANCE.

In certain portions of our State the right solution of the Sunday problem seems to get farther away. This is the case with our seaside resorts that stretch from Sandy Hook to Cape May. With most the idea grows rampant that Sunday shall be a holiday, given to diversion, sometimes to a wild carnival of godless pleasures and pursuits. A Sunday at Atlantic City in August, along the great board-walk at least—what an awful prostitution of God's season of holy rest! Our cities also increasingly break loose from the day's normal restraints. This is due to various causes, one of which is the large immigration of foreign continental elements who have no conception of the Sabbath as a spiritual day They bring their oldworld notions with them, only to work them out into broader license here. But while these are the darkest spots. Sabbath desecration confronts us everywhere, and too often in the homes and conduct of those who profess allegiance to the church. amazed as we observe the evident lack of conscience as to the just and wholesome claims of the blessed day. The Massachusetts Institute of Technology during the past summer allowed one of its professors to advertise and carry out a Sunday excursion to the Hoosic Mountains for the study of geology. The excuse given was the great pressure of duties during the rest of the week. In that institution, also, it is regarded as quite in order that the students prepare their Monday's lessons on the Sabbath if they so desire. In Harvard University it is understood that on Sunday professors and students may use the laboratories and museums and all apparatus of experiment as on other days. This in New England. Is it better in New Jersey? We reply with gladness, Yea verily. Yet we fear that year by year it is coming into vogue that students in our high schools and colleges are preparing Monday's lessons on the Lord's day. How much the excessive zeal as to athletics, with the modern multiplication of studies, operates to this end we cannot say. But whatever the cause we must deplore the fact. In the face of all this, what shall we do? We know what some prominent journalists, with others of the world's wise ones, advise. say, "Cease the contention. America is bound to have a liberal Sunday." Shall we heed this counsel? Never, if we are faithful to the Lord we profess to love, and are alive to the deepest, mightiest needs of the church and the world. We have but one course to pursue, which is to hold aloft the standard of Sabbath-keeping as God has given it in His word, and fight under that to the end.

As good news from the thickest of the strife we joyfully mention what has been done during the last year in Atlantic county through the efforts, largely, of a vigorous Law and Order League. Sunday bicycle racing has been prohibited, also the holding of the Egg Harbor City Sunday fair, which for years was an awful profanation of God's day. All honor to the brethren who have won this advance. May they press on till in Atlantic City itself greater victories shall result. May the Holy Ghost inspire us all with a new power of faith and zeal.

The following resolutions are offered for adoption:

- 1. That this Synod reaffirms its belief in the perpetual obligation of God's command to keep holy the Sabbath day.
- 2. That we appeal to all who have authority in our schools, colleges and other seminaries of learning to secure it, as far as possible, that all secular studies be laid aside on the Lord's day
- 3. That we affectionately entreat all members of our churches and young people's societies and Sabbath-schools to join with whole heart in the warfare for right Sabbath observance; to use their influence in all possible ways, that others give the time to noblest ends, to worship and growth of soul and exaltation of Jesus' name.
- 4. That we respectfully ask all employers in our State to consider the wisdom of giving their employees a half-holiday on the Saturdays of the year, for the sake of the Sabbath as a spiritual day
- 5. That we approve heartily the work of the American Sabbath Union and bespeak for it the sympathy and co operation of our people.
- 6. That we endorse the resolution of the General Assembly requesting our pastors to preach a sermon on the Sabbath on some Sabbath in April, and if the way be clear, to make an offering for the American Sabbath Union above mentioned.
- 7. That we congratulate the brethren of Atlantic county, in view of the excellent work accomplished within the past year, and commend their courage and wisdom as worthy of all praise and imitation.

GEORGE SWAIN,

Chairman.

### XIV.—REPORT OF THE PERMANENT COMMITTEE ON TEMPERANCE.

Omitting, by order of Synod, all reference to the government or to the army canteen, your Committee on Temperance respectfully submit the following report:

In looking over the general condition of the cause in the United States, we note that according to the statistics quoted in the Temperance Report to the General Assembly of our Church last spring. there was a falling off in the use of distilled liquors of thirty-three per cent. in the years 1894, 1895 and 1896. Then a change took place, and the consumption of distilled liquors increased at the rate of five per cent. a year. The use of beer continued to decrease, although the decrease was slight and fluctuating. The increase in the amount of distilled liquors, if it includes that used for other than beverage purposes, would be accounted for by the general increase in business activity. This cause cannot account for the liquor used as a beverage, for its effect would appear in beer as well as in the more alcoholic liquors The problem is not only to account for the increase of fifteen per cent. in three years, but to account also for the sudden checking of the rate of decrease, thirty-three per cent., which prevailed in the three years preceding. If the figures indicate a return to the use of distilled liquors, they are alarming. We commend this question to the careful study of the members of this Synod. The entire report of the Assembly's Committee should be thoughtfully examined by both the clergy and laity of our church.

During the past year the General Assembly's Committee on Temperance received less than fifteen hundred dollars. This sum is utterly inadequate to the work. That Committee should collect, codify and distribute the facts, including the results, not only of liquor drinking, but also of the various remedies, individual, legal, social and religious To do this requires money.

The Committee has already prepared and offered for distribution some valuable material, which should be in the hands of every minister of our denomination. It can be obtained from the Secretary, Rev. John F. Hill, D. D., 708 Penn avenue, Pittsburg, Pa.

In our own State aggressive work, aside from the presentation of the subject from our pulpits is confined largely to the southern counties. The Law and Order League of Camden is still doing fine work. Bridgeton. Millville, Vineland and several other towns have no saloons or bar-rooms. In these towns local prohibition has passed the experimental stage, and has been supported by the approval of the citizens for many years. The Anti-Saloon League has begun its work of agitation and organization for a County Local Option law. Our present liquor laws are far below those of even many license States.

Your Committee would recommend the adoption of the following resolutions:

- 1. That we urge upon both ministers and churches the renewed and careful study of this subject; and we especially request their examination of the work, resources and possibilities of the Assembly's Committee on Temperance.
- 2. That we call attention to the observance of Temperance Day, October 28th, as recommended by the Assembly, for which its Committee has prepared an excellent order of service.
- 3. That while we rejoice in the exclusion of liquors from the navy, we urge upon Congress the passage of such laws as will banish intoxicants from the army.
- 4 That we protest against the introduction of American and other liquors and the American saloon system into the territory recently acquired by the United States, and we express the hope that in the final organization of the new governments these evils may be excluded.

J. DEHART BRUEN, Chairman.

### XV.—REPORT OF THE PERMANENT COMMITTEE ON WORK AMONG FOREIGN POPULATIONS.

Your Committee would respectfully report that Work Among Foreign Populations is being carried forward in most of the Presbyteries with a fair degree of earnestness.

The larger part of this work is among the German-speaking people. Connected with the Synod are 20 German churches, distributed through 6 of our Presbyteries, Newark Presbytery having 6 German churches on its roll, and Jersey City and Morris and Orange each 4. The aggregate membership of these churches is 2,487, or an average to each church of about 125. The Sabbath-school membership is 3,770; 202 new members were added on examination, an average of 10 to a church; 3 churches are without pastors—or were last spring—viz: Rahway First, and Maurer, in Presbytery of Elizabeth, and Broadway German, of Paterson.

Work among Italians has crystalized in 3 congregations, with a membership of 178 and Sabbath-school membership of 330; 36 were added on examination during the year reported. It is to be regretted that the Rev. Mr. Fragale was compelled, for want of adequate support, to give up his work in Hammonton, and has removed to Pittsburg, Pa.. where he is engaged in a similar mission. His place has been filled by a Waldensian brother.

Efforts to reach the Italians are made in other Presbyteries by individual or associated churches, as in Orange, Madison and Morristown.

Some effort is being made to reach the hundreds of Italians laboring on the great reservoir in the neighborhood of Boonton.

Upwards of 35,000 Italians are found in the city of Newark, and a prosperous church has been formed among them.

In Trenton an Italian Mission is carried on by a Presbyterial Commission, consisting of 3 ministers—one of them the Italian missionary—and 3 elders.

Some mission work is also in progress among the Hungarians, Poles. Scandinavians, etc., in the neighborhood of Perth Amboy

Work among the Jews in the Jewish colony at Rosenhayn (West Jersey Presbytery), has been for the present suspended; it is to be hoped only for the present.

Your Committee would remind the churches in whose vicinity considerable numbers of Jews are found that, unpromising and difficult as the work may seem—and it is—it is well worth while for there's a blessing in it—"at this present time also there is a remnant according to the election of grace."

ALBERT ERDMAN, Chairman.

### XVI.--REPORT OF THE PERMANENT COMMITTEE ON SYSTEMATIC BENEFICENCE.

We are glad to avail ourselves of the opportunity to shorten our report by referring the brethren to the all-comprehensive presentation made to the last Assembly by its Special Committee on Systematic Beneficence, and also to the report of the Standing Committee to which it was referred. When one reads their plea for enlarged offerings through the church collection for an offering from every church for every Board, and their view of the "paramount influence of the pastor," he is prompted to wonder if these Committees had not been reading the Minutes of the Synod of New Jersey.

The following table shows how much we yet lack of an offering from every church for every Board. It gives the number of churches in each Presbytery having blanks, how many of them have pastors, and how many are vacant:

	Churches.	Blanks.	Pastors.	Vacant
Elizabeth,	6	29	2	I
Jersey City,	2 I	98	18	I
Monmouth,	I	4	I	
Morris and Orange,	10	56	6	1
Newark,	16	54	13	2
Newton,	7	26	5	2
West Jersey,	2.1	106	9	6
	85	373	54	13

Corisco (our little African sister) and New Brunswick, having no blanks, are not found in this table. And if we open the Twentieth Century with full columns, this table will find no place in our next Butler and Westminster, in the Synod of Pennsylvania, again stand with Corisco and New Brunswick, the only Presbyteries in the church with full columns. The Committee expresses its sincere sympathy with the deep regret of one of its members, Rev. Wm. P. Finney, who has so splendidly marshaled the forces of Monmouth for the past few years, bringing every church into line and keeping his ranks unbroken. During his absence in the Holy Land last year, one of the churches spoiled the record held by that Presbytery for three years, by presenting its report with four blanks. Of our 338 churches, 85, about one-fourth, have blanks to the extent of 373. This is a decrease of 2 churches and of 14 blanks as compared with last year. Of these 85 churches, 54 have pastors and 13 are vacant, 17 have stated supplies and 1 a pastor-elect. Thus 72 of them are in charge of a minister. It used to be said that the blanks might be largely accounted for by reason of the church's inability or its vacant pulpit. An examination utterly breaks down this explanation We are constrained to honor our brethren so far as to believe it were quite possible for each one of these 72 ministers to have had every column filled if he had felt that it ought to be done and had planned for its accomplishment. This conviction is not here expressed for the first time, and for its justification we are glad to quote from the Assembly's Committee when it calls "attention to the paramount influence of the pastor. \* \* The pastor must be the leader in the benevolent activities of his people as distinctly as in the spiritual"

Once more it seems well to refer to the playful banter of our brethren who smile at our enthusiasm for full columns, and pleasantly chide us for encouraging churches to fill a column with a single dollar. These brethren know very well that this Committee pleads for the largest possible amount for every column. But we have just here a reply to all this genial criticism. Butler, Westminster Monmouth and New Brunswick, the only home Presbyteries in all the church filling every column in recent successive years, have 151 churches, of which only 19 put a single dollar in any column the past year. They have filled 1,355 columns and only 60 places have single dollars, an average of less than 4 one-dollar columns to each of the 10 churches. There were 1,302 churches of the Assembly that made no church offering last year to any Board. One dollar to each would have been \$11,718. There are 28,494 columns without a church offering! Were it not worth pleading to transform these blanks into dollars? We still hold fast our opinion that a dollar is better than a blank!

In presenting the next table, showing the relative position of the home Presbyteries in their benevolent contributions, a word of explanation is necessary. The Committee finds a pleasurable inconvenience which repeats itself in connection with one of our churches in Elizabeth Presbytery. In a similar comparison last year we were obliged, in fairness to all, to reduce the credit of the Clinton Church by the amount of \$140,000. This year we set aside \$65,000. And may the Lord preserve the life of His servant who sets us this agreeable task from year to year.

	Amount of Benevolence.		Per Capita Gitts.
Newark,	\$81,520	Morris and Orange, .	. \$7.29
Morris and Orange, .	75,276	Newark,	. 6.91
Elizabeth,	64,448	Elizabeth,	. 6.78
New Brunswick,	40,438	Jersey City,	. 4.65
Jersey City,	33,788	New Brunswick,	. 4.34
West Jersey,	24,159	West Jersey,	. 3.12
Monmouth,	19,070	Monmouth,	. 2.90
Newton,	16,045	Newton,	. 276

The following comparative statement shows the Synod's total contributions for the year. It reveals over \$27,000 less given to Home Missions than we gave last year, and over \$29,000 less to the Board of Aid for Colleges. It shows a net loss in benevolence of \$67,659. A gain of \$64,171 in congregational expenses leaves a total net loss of \$3,488. Our total contributions reach \$1,387,438.

	1899.	1900.	Gain.	Loss.
Home Missions	\$149,388	\$122,176		\$27,212
Foreign Missions,	107,389	105,814		1,575
Education,	19,393	19,783	\$390	
Sunday-school Work, .	10,687	12,423	1,736	
Church Erection,	8,821	11,992	3,171	
Relief Fund,	9,568	11,235	1,667	
Freedmen,	19,590	18,873		717
Synodical Home Mis., .	16,921	17,811	890	
Aid for Colleges,	61,063	31,899		29,154
General Assembly,	5,623	5,760	137	
Church Benevolence,	\$408,443	\$357,766		\$50,677
Miscellaneous,	65,531	53,274		12,257
Bible Society,	13,120	8,395		4,725
Total Benevolence, .	\$487,094	\$419,435		\$67,659
Congregational,	903,832	968,co3	64,171	
Total Contributions,	\$1,390,926	\$1,387,438		\$3,488

In our offerings directly to our own Treasuries, we have made a considerable gain; as shown by the annexed statement of our total benevolent gifts of \$419,435, we placed \$227,404, or 54 per cent. in the treasuries of the Board. A gain over last year of \$9,182.

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•	1899.	1900	Gain	Loss.
Home Missions,	\$80,219	\$86,488	\$6,269	
Foreign Missions,	85,332	79,769		\$5,563
Education,	4,332	4,656	324	
S. S. Work,	6,762	7,592	830	
Church Erection,	4,916	5,226	310	
Relief Fund,	8,731	9,689	958	
Freedmen,	7,157	11,524	4,367	
Synodical Home Missions, .	16,921	17,811	890	
Aid for Colleges,	3,852	4,649	797	
	\$218,222	\$227,404	\$9.182	

In our church offerings we have not reached Dr. Dixon's request for a penny a week per member for Home Missions. Our average gift for the year is 41 cents—a little less than 8 mills per week. To the payment of the debt on the Freedmen's Board we gave \$3,260.

During the Synodical year we have contributed to Synodical Home Missions \$17,502.23. By contributions from within the Synod, by churches and individuals, there are 35 missionaries supported in heathen lands. Treasurer Hand, of the Board of Foreign Missions. has given in his annual report a "classified statistical table" showing the relative standing of the Synods in their church offerings to Foreign Missions, in which he places New Jersey next after New York and Pennsylvania in her total gifts, but in her per capita of 60 cents she is 17 cents in advance of New York, the next highest. In another table he sets in comparison a few of the more important Presbyteries, in which our own Morris and Orange leads the sisterhood in a per capita gift of \$1.45, with New York a close second with \$1.40. In contributions to the Bible Society New Jersey leads the Synods with a gift of \$8.305. The seven Synods whose total beneficence exceeds one hundred thousand dollars stand in the following order:

	Total Beneficence.	Per Capita Gifts.
Pennsylvania,	\$902,686	New Jersey, \$6.01
New York,	879,429	Illinois, 4.44
New Jersey,	419,435	New York, 4.30
Ohio,	313,025	Pennsylvania, 4.12
Illinois,	307,743	Baltimore, 4.00
Indiana,	145,636	Ohio, 3.12
Baltimore,	102,527	Indiana, 2 96
Total,	\$3,071,480	

This comparison places our Synod in third place as to the amount given, but in her average gift per member she easily takes first place at \$6.01. Illinois surprises us by standing next, with \$4.44. leading the great Synods of Pennsylvania and New York.

We have now set before the Synod such phases of our general beneficent work as we felt the brethren would care to have reviewed. We have found no ground for boasting. But there is much in the work of the past year to encourage and stimulate to still more earnest effort to have all the tithes brought into God's storehouse.

It is desirable, and it is possible, by the faithful efforts of ministers and elders, that next year shall witness, practically, full benevolent columns in the statistical report of each of our 338 churches.

We offer the following for adoption:

1. That the Synod of New Jersey endorse the action of the last Assembly, which "earnestly calls upon our great church to celebrate the opening of the twentieth century by an advance to the true ideal of Christian giving, at least so far as to secure from every church and from every church member an offering for each of our eight Boards. That for the attainment of this end the pastors and

sessions \* \* \* set to work early and systematically and use their utmost endeavors throughout the whole year."

- 2. That as an aid in this direction the Synod would urge the ministers and elders to make the most zealous efforts to secure an extensive circulation among the people of our church magazine, "The Assembly Herald," also of those most excellent and helpful publications of the Woman's Boards, "Woman's Work for Woman," "Home Mission Monthly" and "Over Sea and Land," and that they would distribute freely through the churches the instructive and stimulating leaflets furnished gratuitously, on request, by each of our Boards.
- 3. The Synod realizes the utter futility of all its counsels unless they be cordially accepted by the leaders and overseers of the people. It therefore solicits a cheerful co-operation, and calls the brethren to the exercise of faith and prayer and a loyal endeavor fully to meet the Assembly's summons.

THOMAS S. LONG, Chairman.

### XVII.—REPORT OF CUSTODIANS OF HISTORICAL MATERIAL.

The Custodians of Historical Material respectfully report that the following material has been deposited upon the Synod's shelves during the past year:

From the Rev. Eben B. Cobb, D D .:

Year Book, Second Church, Elizabeth, 1900

From the Rev. J. DeHart Bruen:

Sermon, "Five Years of the First Church, Belvidere."

From James Steen, Esq.:

New Aberdeen, the Scotch Settlement of Monmouth County, 1899.

From the Rev. Allen H. Brown:

Twenty-fifth Anniversary, South Park Church, Newark, 1879. Duplicate.

Copper plate of card of invitation and papers concerning unveiling of Presbyterian Historical Monument.

From the Family of the late Rev. Edwin F. Hatfield, D.D., through the Rev Allen H. Brown:

History of Elizabeth, N. J., 1868.

From the Family of the late Hon. L. Q. C. Elmer:

Gazetteer and History of New Jersey, Thos. F. Gordon, 1834.

History of Fenwick's Colony, Thos. Shourds, 1876.

Rutgers College Centennial, 1870.

The Old Man Beloved, Rev. Ethan Osborn. Duplicate.

Manual, Prospect Street Church, Trenton, 1900.

From the Rev. Hugh B. MacCauley:

Manual of the Freehold Presbyterian Church, 1692-1749-1836.

From the Rev. Joseph M. Mc Nulty, D.D.:

Two hundred and twenty-fifth anniversary of the Woodbridge Church, 1900.

From the Rev. Frederic R. Brace, D.D.:

Sesqui-Centennial, First Church, Blackwood, 1900.

From the Rev John E. Peters, Sc. D.:

The Assembly's Digest of 1820, formerly the property of the Synod.

Pictures:

Rev. Allen H. Brown, Rev. Robert Hamill Nassau, D.D.
WALTER A. BROOKS,
JOSEPH H. DULLES,

Custodians.

# XVIII.--REPORT OF THE PERMANENT COMMITTEE ON HISTORICAL MATERIALS AND THE JOINT COMMITTEE ON RAISING FUNDS FOR THE ERECTION OF THE PRESBYTERIAN HISTORICAL MONUMENT.

To the Synod of New Jersey, October 17th, 1900:

When the Synod of New Jersey adjourned in 1899, it was with the expectation that the Historical Monument would be ready for dedication on Wednesday, the 8th of November. Then, although the granite had arrived from Scotland and Ireland, it was found impossible to have everything in readiness for that date, and a second disappointment and another postponement became necessary. The blocks of granite were erected in November, but the tablets and seals of antique metal were not added until a few days before the dedication, in June, 1900.

A mistake was made by the workman in the location of the seals and tablets. This error has been corrected by Mr. Lamb, without expense to the Committee, under the supervision of Mr. MacCauley. It is therefore proper to amend the description which was given at the time of unveiling, and add that the tablet containing the translation of the Latin inscription is now on the east side, leaving the south side vacant, except that a fourth small tablet has been added to the base on the south, according to the order of Synod in 1899. This also was done under Mr. MacCauley's supervision. Two of the seals also have been transposed, in accordance with the original design, and the seal of the Presbyterian Church of the United States is now on the rear, looking toward the Sunny South, and the seal of the Scotch Irish Society is on the east, looking toward the land whence came the men of Ulster.

We take pleasure in giving expression again to our obligation to Rev. Henry Clay Cameron, D.D., Ph.D., Professor of Princeton University, for his admirable decipherment and translation of the Latin inscription, which was almost obliterated from the tombstone of John Boyd.

Thursday, June 14th, opened with rain in the northern part of New Jersey and with threatening clouds in the southern section. Notwithstanding this unpropitious beginning of a pleasant day, several hundred people assembled in the Old Scots Burying-ground near Wickatunk Station, to witness the unveiling of the Presbyterian Historical Monument. The ladies of Matawan, Wickatunk and Freehold and others united in decorating with flags and flowers the speakers' stand and the graves of John Boyd and Tennent and Redford.

Friends from the places above mentioned, and Tennent, also provided conveyances to transport the guests between the railroad stations and the places of assembly.

The exercises began at 11 A. M. at the Old Scots Burying-ground, under the able direction of Rev. A Nelson Hollifield, D.D., Moderator of the Synod of New Jersey, who opened with a brief prayer. After singing the hymn, "Our God Our Help in Ages Past," Rev. Joseph M. McNulty, D.D., pastor of the Old Church of Woodbridge, read the Scriptural lesson, 1 Saul. vii: 5-12 and Acts viii: 1-4.

Rev. Allen H. Brown, Chairman of Synod's Historical Committee, gave the history and description of the monument. In the middle of this address the monument was unveiled by Walter Kerr Esq., of New York city. a lineal descendant of the Scotch exile, Walter Ker, the elder and founder of the Old Scots Church, otherwise called the Church of Freehold.

This was followed by the dedicatory prayer by Rev. George D. Baker, D.D. pastor of the Old First Presbyterian Church of Philadelphia, of which Jedidiah Andrews was the first pastor.

Rev. Robert F. Sample, D.D., Moderator of the General Assembly of 1899 presented the greetings and congratulations of the Northern General Assembly and sketched some salient features in the growth of the Presbyterian Church from the coming of Francis Makemie and the ordination of John Boyd to the present time.

Rev. Robert P. Kerr, D.D., of Richmond, Va., delegate from the Southern General Assembly, responded, and spoke of the use of monuments, and said: "I am commissioned to bear the most cordial salutations to the representatives of the General Assembly of the Church in the United States of America, and to say that we claim a partnership in this monument and in the early organization of Presbyterianism for which it stands. Your brothers of the South grasp your hands to-day, and we meet, proud, I trust, of each other. We are certainly proud of you for your great work and the splendid defence of our common heritage of doctrine, which your Assembly makes every time it meets."

After singing the hymn, "O God of Bethel, by whose hand Thy people still are fed," Rev. Wm. Henry Roberts, D.D., LL.D., Stated Clerk and delegate from the Northern General Assembly, delivered an address on these characteristics of the Presbyterian Church viz.: "Popular Government in the Church," "A Definite Creed," and "An Evangelistic and Educated Ministry."

Rev. Eben B. Cobb, D.D., made a financial statement.

There was not time to hear the Hon. Thomas B. Gresham, of Baltimore, who was present as a delegate from the Southern Presbyterian Church, and the address of Doctor P. P. Flournoy was for the same reason postponed until the afternoon.

The benediction was pronounced by the Rev. W. C. Alexander, of Baltimore, another delegate from the Southern General Assembly.

The whole audience then hastened to take the train for Freehold, and the cars of the Central New Jersey R. R. rolled smoothly over the track of the Pennsylvania Company to Tennent station.

No time was allowed, or lost for dinner, for a dining-car attached to this train satisfied the demands of the hungry.

Arrived at the old Tennent Church, Dr. Hollifield, Moderator, again presided.

Rev. Parke P. Flournoy, D.D., of Bethesda Md., delegate from the Southern General Assembly, delivered an address on "Presbyterians before Presbytery."

No programme had been made for the afternoon, and brief addresses were made by the following persons:

Rev Henry Clay Cameron D.D., Professor of Princeton University;

H. Goodwin Smith, D.D., formerly pastor of Freehold Church, and Hugh B. MacCauley, its most recent pastor;

Frank R. Symmes, pastor of the Tennent Church;

Wm. M. Rice, D.D., Stated Clerk and delegate from the Presbytery of Philadelphia, and

Robert Alexander, D.D., editor of the "Presbyterian."

The concluding prayer was offered by Rev. Walter A. Brooks, D. D., Stated Clerk of the Synod of New Jersey, and the audience departed to their homes thankful for all that they had seen and heard.

In the retrospect, one of the most delightful recollections is the fraternal reunion of delegates of the two great branches of the Presbyterian Church, like scattered children coming home for a family gathering at the old homestead of their ancestors.

We sincerely regret the absence of one of the five delegates of the Southern Presbyterian Church, Hon Willam Wirt Henry, of Richmond, Va.. An extract from one of his letters is worthy of preservation here, both for its expression of his own feelings, and his allusion to his grandfather, Patrick Henry. He wrote in part:

"Not only would I like to perform the duty of appearing as a representative of my Assembly, but the occasion would be intensely interesting to me, for my blood is largely Scotch, and I love my Church and take the greatest interest in her history.

"Then too, Rev. Samuel Davies, the real father of Presbyterianism in Virginia, was sent to that colony from New Jersey. The mother of Patrick Henry was a member of Mr. Davies' church and from his preaching Mr. Henry learned the great principle of religious liberty, which he engrafted in the Virginia Bill of Rights of 1776 and which is found in every Constitution in the United States since. I am, yours very truly.

WM. WIRT HENRY."

The day of unveiling was all too short for the full enjoyment of the occasion. We shall hear again the echoes of that monument. It will inspire renewed study of the early history of the Presbyterian Church in this country. Already the Presbytery of West Jersey prepares to protect and honor the neglected site of Old Cohanzy Church, now called Fairfield, which was probably as old as Free-hold; being mentioned in the Records of the General Presbytery of 1708 (on page 9), only eighteen months after the ordination of John Boyd, and the Daughters of the Revolution will enclose the ground with an iron fence.

Very recently the church of Blackwood celebrated its sesquicentennial by unveiling a mural tablet with public exercises during four days, beginning on September 30th.

Our people need to be educated to regard the burial-grounds of their ancestors with greater care and to protect the sites of historic churches with greater reverence.

The detailed financial account of the Treasurer of the Trustees of Synod will appear in separate form. It is sufficient to insert here that the total receipts are \$1,745.93; and total expenses, \$1.716.52; leaving in the treasury, \$29.41.

The cost of the monument, including the foundation and all tablets and seals in antique metal, is \$1,300.00. The secular and religious papers published extensively an account of the dedicatory exercises, and in one or the other, in whole or in part, the formal addresses mentioned on the programme have been printed.

In addition to the delegates of the Northern and Southern General Assemblies, the names of delegates who were appointed by Presbyteries in New Jersey and by the Presbytery of Philadelphia and by the Presbyterian Historical Society and by the New Jersey Historical Society are recorded; but it was impossible to recognize individually all who were present on that day of dedication.

For the publication of the proceedings, the preservation of the monument and for the improvement of the grounds around it contributions are needed.

In conclusion, your Committee offer for the consideration of Synod the following resolutions:

- 1. That the Joint Committee of twenty-one be discharged and that the Permanent Committee on Historical Materials, one from each Presbytery, be continued as heretofore.
- 2 That the care of the Historical Monument be committed to the Trustees of the Synod, who hold the title to the site on which it stands.
- 3. In view of the necessity of securing a fund for the perpetual preservation of the Presbyterian Historical Monument erected by the Synod of New Jersey in the Old Scots Burying-ground, within the bounds of the Presbytery of Monmouth, be it

Resolved, That Synod during the present fiscal year raise the sum of \$1,000, this money to be placed in the hands of the Trustees of Synod, and by them invested, the interest therefrom to be used for the preservation of the monument and the care of the grounds, or such other purposes as Synod may direct.

To facilitate the securing of this fund be it further

Resolved That the sum desired be apportioned to the various Presbyteries in the following ratio, the Presbyteries being requested to raise these sums, employing in so doing such methods as may seem to them wise:

Elizabeth,	\$135.00	Monmouth,	\$135.00
Morris and Orange, .	135.00	West Jersey,	125.00
Newark,	135.00	Jersey City,	100.00
New Brunswick,	135.00	Newton,	100,00
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\$1,000 00

transmitting the money, when raised, to the Treasurer of the Board of Trustees, Rev. Allen H. Brown, and that the Stated Clerk of Synod be requested to notify the Stated Clerks of the various Presbyteries of this action.

- 4. That a concise history of the monument, already prepared by the Rev. Hugh B. MacCauley, one of the Committee, be printed in the Appendix to the Minutes.
- 5. That the Trustees of Synod be hereby authorized to make arrangements for the satisfactory disposal and location of the John Boyd tombstone in the fire-proof room of the Presbyterian Historical Society, at Philadelphia, with the distinct understanding that in so disposing of the stone it be considered as a loan, and that it shall remain under the control of the Synod of New Jersey.

## Respectfully submitted by

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Frank R. Symmes, E. P. Tenney, Hugh B. MacCauley, Charles E. Hall, Jeremiah Baker, Cyrus Peck, Franklin Dye, Henry D. Moore, R. Perrine Craig, J. C. Johnson,

Historical and Joint Committee

XIX—FINANCIAL STATEMENT ON ACCOUNT OF ERECTION OF THE PRESBYTERIAN HISTORICAL MONUMENT DURING THREE YEARS FROM NOVEMBER 7th, 1897, TO OCTOBER 16th, 1900.

## CASH RECEIVED.

Special from Presbytery Morris and Orange, From Individuals, Churches and Sunday-schools,	\$50 00 1,619 67				
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From collection in Tennent Church, June 14th, 1900,	31 42				
From sale of one electroplate,	2 58				
Total received,	\$1,745 93 -				
CASH EXPENDED.					
For subscription book,	\$0 45				
For recording two deeds,	2 56				
For typewriter and copyist,	8 60				
For express charges,	7 25				
For postage, envelopes and telegrams,	39 19				
For expenses of Committee, in part, viz.:	39 - 9				
George Swain, D.D., \$2 00					
H. B. MacCauley, 5 35					
Eben B Cobb, D.D.,					
A. H. Brown, railroad fare to three Presby-					
teries, 4 63					
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For printing,	59 87				
For electroplates,	16 88				
For box for tombstone,	2 75				
For freight.	1 75				
For monument, including foundation, tablets and seals, .	1,300 00				
For clearing and grading ground and building mound, .	33 21				
For Pennsylvania Railroad between Freehold and					
Tennent,					
For lunch car and attendants' railroad fare, 13 00					
For loss on luncheon, 25 75					
	58 75				
For one hundred silk badges,	8 00				
For engraving and printing 1,500 invitations,	37 90				
For postage on invitations,	27 38				

For expenses on railroad of delegates from Southern Pres-	
byterian Church,	\$31 50
For top soiling, sodding, seeding mound,	35 00
For clearing ground, building stand for speakers and	
seats,	<b>2</b> 9 <b>7</b> 5
Balance on hand,	<b>2</b> 9 41
ALLEN H. BROWN	\$1,745 93

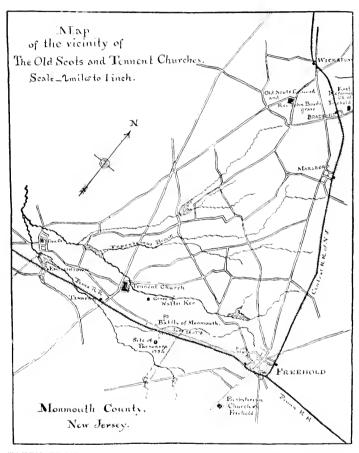
Treasurer.

The above report carefully examined, compared with vouchers and found correct.

Atlantic City, October 17th, 1900.

J. H. OWENS, J. D. FLOCK, JOHN S. JESSUP, Finance Committee





TAKEN FROM THE STATE TOPOGRAPHICAL MAPS OF GEORGE H. COOK AND C. C. VERMEULE.

XX.—AN ACCOUNT OF THE PRESBYTERIAN HISTORICAL MONUMENT LOCATED ON THE GRAVE OF THE REV. JOHN BOYD AND BESIDE THE SITE OF THE "OLD SCOTS CHURCH," OTHER WISE KNOWN AS THE "FREE-HOLD CHURCH."

(NEAR WICKATUNK STATION, ON THE CENTRAL R. R. OF NEW JERSEY, FIVE MILES FROM FREEHOLD, MONMOUTH CO., N. J.)

PREPARED BY REV. HUGH B. MACCAULEY, TRENTON, N. J.

Formerly Pastor of the First Presbyterian Church of Freehold, N. J., and Secretary of the Executive Committee on the Erection of the Monument.

When the people of Israel came out of the land of Egypt, the house of bondage, and successfully passed through the perils of the wilderness, and at last planted their feet in the land that the Lord gave them, the first thing they did was to raise a monument. Joshua, the chief Captain, by divine direction, instructed the people what to do, and when the twelve stones were gathered out of the Jordan river, and set up strongly together, he said concerning them: "These stones shall be for a memorial unto the children of Israel forever." It was to remind them of God's power and love, and be a witness to their children after them.

In accord with this example there was unveiled on Thursday, June 14th, 1900, a monument which is both unique and interesting. It stands on the double site of the Old Scots Meeting House and of the grave of the Rev. John Boyd, the first pastor thereof. This site is located in the Old Scots Burying Ground, near Wickatunk Station, on the Central R. R. of New Jersey, and is also about five miles from Freehold, Monmouth county, N. J. There is no other monument like it in this country. There are few stories so interesting or so important in results as the history which centers at its base. Let us, then, first read a portion of this brilliant page in Presbyterian history.

The outlook for the Reformed faith was never darker in France and Great Britain than in 1685. In that year Louis XIV revoked the Edict of Nantes, and sent six hundred thousand Huguenots into exile, fleeing from persecution into Holland, England and America. In the same year, in Great Britain, James II ascended

NOTE.—Readers are referred for fuller information to the History of the Old Scots Church of Freehold, in East Jersey, by the Rev. Henry Goodwin Smith, D.D., formerly Pastor of the First Presbyterian Church of Freehold, N. J. (1805), and the History of Old Tennent Church, by Rev. Frank R. Symmes, the fifteenth Pastor (1807); and to the valuable reports of Synod's Committee on Historical Materials and the Joint Committee on The Monument, in Minutes of Synod, 1894 to 1900 inclusive.

the throne of the United Kingdom, and in defiance of past opposition avowed himself a Roman Catholic. Terrible persecutions soon broke out, and nowhere worse than in Scotland. In that devoted land the raids of Claverhouse brought death to hundreds who refused to abjure the Covenant or renounce their allegiance to Christ. In May of that year Margaret Wilson, only eighteen years of age, type of many others was drowned in the tidewaters of Blednock singing psalms of praise until the waters closed her lips.

"Murdered for owning Christ supreme, Head of His church, and no more crime But her not owning Prelacy, And not abjuring Presbytery; Within the sea, tied to a stake, She suffered for Christ Jesus' sake."

Macaulay says, "Through many years the autumn of 1685 was remembered as a time of misery and terror"

In this Egypt of oppression the poor Presbyterians looked away to America as the Promised Land Tidings came across the water of a land where there was toleration. The colony of East Jersey was especially attractive because religious liberty was safeguarded by provisions of its charter. In the autumn of 1685 Lord Neil Campbell came over with many followers. In the list of their names, still extant, we find names of those who, a few years after, raised the meeting-house with which our story is concerned.

Toward the close of the same year there arrived at Perth Amboy the "Henry and Francis," a vessel "of 350 tons and 20 great guns," the pest ship containing the stricken remnant of the sad expedition organized by George Scot, laird of Pitlochie. "Few pages of history are fuller of mingled misery, horror and moral grandeur than the records of those persecuted followers of Pitlochie." Their leader had been fined enormous sums and thrice imprisoned for his Presbyterian principles. Similarly his followers had been thrown, tortured and mutilated, into the prisons of Glasgow, Edinburgh, Stirling and Leith. A commutation of sentence was obtained, and gathering this wretched company together with their ears cut off and cheeks branded, their leader embarked with them in September, only to lose his life on the passage, together with his wife and 70 others, who miserably perished of ship fever. On this voyage of horrors, with the memory of persecution behind them, with the presence of the deadly plague among them, with promise of an unknown land before them, their spirit, nevertheless, rose above all their miseries, and they sent back to Scotland their protest against the injustice of their banishment from their own and covenanted land, for "owning truth and holding by duty," and studying "to keep by their covenanted engagements and baptismal vows, whereby they stand obliged to resist, and testify against all that is contrary to the word of God and their Covenants." This declaration of allegiance to the supremacy of spiritual truth rings in our ears to-day and calls upon us to do our duty as they did theirs.

Other emigrants arrived on the famous ship Caledonia, among whom was the devoted Walter Ker. On entering Monmouth county they found the eastern part already taken up by the Baptists, Quakers, Episcopalians and Dutch, so they pushed on further into the interior. Some of them settled near the present town of Matawan, which before the year 1690 they settled as a hamlet and called New Aberdeen. The larger portion advanced still further and settled the large district known as Freehold. There they found peace and plenty They established the Presbyterian Church of Freehold, otherwise called the 'Old Scots Church,' and gave a character to the commonwealth not effaced unto this day.

Concerning this place and settlement, William Tennent, Jr, 1744, wrote: "The settling of that place (Freehold) with a gospel ministry was owing under God, to the agency of some Scotch people, that came to it, among whom there was none so painstaking in this blessed work as one Walter Ker (an Elder), who, in 1685, for his faithful and conscientions adherence to God and His truth as professed by the Church of Scotland, was there apprehended and sent to this country, under a sentence of perpetual banishment. By which it appears that the devil and his instruments lost their aim in sending him from home, where it is unlikely he could ever have been so serviceable to Christ's kingdom as he has been here. He is yet (1744) alive and blessed be God, flourishing in his old age, being in his 88th year "

Some five or six miles to the northwest of the present town of Freehold, on a wooded eminence, called by those early exiles of 1685 "Free Hill," is the site of the Old Scots Church of Freehold, founded as it is believed in 1692, and standing for a time in the Old Scots Burying Ground, where many of the faithful, some celebrated. lie buried, whose tombstones are in good preservation and plainly readable unto this day. At this meeting-house on Friday, December 27th, 1706, occurred a memorable scene, the beginning, so far as extant records show, of organic Presbyterian history in the new It was the first recorded meeting of Presbytery and the first recorded Presbyterian ordination in America. The revered "Father of the American Presbyterian Church," Rev. Francis Makemie, occupied the Moderator's chair. The other ministers present were the Rev. Jedidiah Andrews, the first pastor of the First Presbyterian Church of Philadelphia, and the Rev. John Hampton, pastor of the Presbyterian Church of Snow Hill, Md., whom Makemie had brought with him from Ireland. The Presbyterial action was the examination of John Boyd (who had come from Glasgow, Scotland), with a view to ordination to the gospel ministry and his connection as Pastor with the Freehold Church. At the threshold of that little meeting-house (so far as now known) was the small beginning of the great stream of organized American Presbyterianism. By those actions that church of Freehold became the first recognized Presbyterian Church in New Jersey, belonging to Presbytery, as Dr. Hodge says in his history.

Rev. John Boyd was pastor but two years, leaving evidence of his great ability and efficiency. He died in 1708, and was buried close under the eaves of his own church. His tombstone is of brown sandstone, about five feet in height. "This, at first, was laid horizontal with the ground, on a packing of stone and lime. In this position it rested for nearly 175 years, until about 1883, in a neglected state and covered with lichens, it attracted the attention of Mr. Gideon C. McDowell, living near the cemetery, who respectfully, thinking to preserve it, cleaned the stone and raised it to an erect position, fastening one end of the slab in the ground " It bears a Latin inscription, which extends to the very edges of the stone, and has resisted the storms which have rendered the writing almost unreadable. Now, after nearly 200 years, this precious relic of primitive Presbyterianism is to be removed to a safe place in the Presbyterian Building in Philadelphia, under the care of the Presbyterian Historical Society. In its stead stands the handsome monument erected by the Synod of New Jersey.

The second pastor was the Rev. Joseph Morgan, a man of fine ability but very erratic character, who served from 1709 to 1729.

The third pastor was the brilliant Rev. John Tennent. who came to the field, which was in a deplorable state, and was installed in 1730 and served but two years, dying greatly lamented in his twenty-fifth year, and was buried in the Old Scots Ground, eight yards to the southwest of the body of Rev. John Boyd, where his tombstone, in perfect preservation, may be seen bearing an inscription, plainly legible, which is said to have been written by the Rev. Jonathan Dickinson. His tremendous evangelistic zeal and extraordinary success belong to a period of spiritual revival difficult to describe. This young evangelist preceded Edwards, Whitefield and Wesley. He was the Morning Star of the "Great Awakening" in England and America, preceding and leading up to great manifestations of the Holy Spirit in our portion of the Church.

It was at the beginning of this ministry of 1730 that the congregation built another meeting-house, five miles south of the Old Scots site and on "White Hill," what is now popularly called "Tennent Church," under which name it is enrolled in the Minutes of General Assembly. These two buildings were called respectively the "Lower Meeting House" and the "Upper Meeting House." Services were held alternately in the two by the Rev. John Tennent and by his brother Rev. William Tennent, Jr., who succeeded him. But the old church fell into disuse and decay, and in 1753 the new church on White Hill was enlarged (the work having been begun three years before), and remains the same, in constant



COPY OF THE INSCRIPTION, AS IT APPEARED IN 1895. IN THE GLD SCOT'S BURYING GROUND, IN MONMOUTH COUNTY, NEW JERSEY, UPON THE TOMBSTONE OF THE REV. JOHN BOYD, THE FIRST MINISTER OF WHOSE ORDINATION BY PRESEYTERY 1.4 AMERICA ANY OFFICIAL RECORD EXISTS.

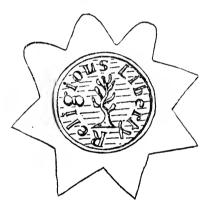
PHOTOGRAPH SKILLFULLY TAKEN BY THE REV. HENRY GOODWIN



use and with slight alteration to this day, as one of the most notable and interesting memorials of historic Presbyterianism, and known to-day as "Old Tennent."

A little while before the enlargement of the meeting-house, the charter of incorporation, which is in good preservation and may be seen at Tennent Church, was secured in the twenty-third year of the reign of King George the Second, on the twenty-first day of February, 1749. "It is on record in the office of the Secretary of State of New Jersey, at Trenton, in Book C, No. 2, of Commissions, pp. 190–195. It was signed by the trusty and well-beloved Jonathan Belcher, Captain-General and Governor-in-Chief over the Province of New Jersey, through whose influence it was obtained, and was granted under the name of 'The Trustees of the Presbyterian Church of Monmouth County.'" This title included several contiguous congregations, such as Shrewsbury, Allentown, etc., of which Tennent Church was the head.

In 1896 there was discovered by James Steen, Esq., of Eatontown, N. J., and Rev. Allen H. Brown, the impression of the seal of this



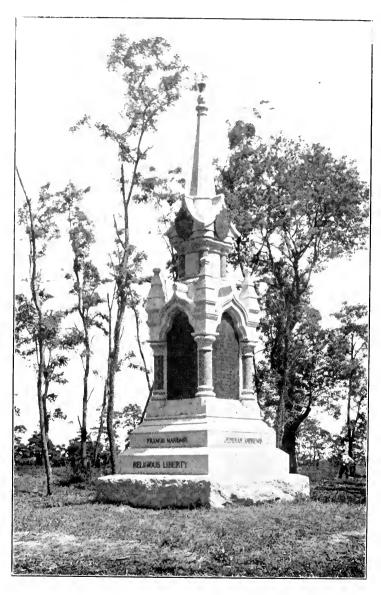
very corporation said impression being found upon a deed or mortgage release, in possession of Mr. Arthur W. Little, of Philadelphia, which deed had been issued by the trustees of the above mentioned church to Elihu Williams, on May 5th, 1760. It transfers two portions of land, situated in the town of Shrewsbury, and is signed by order of the trustees by John Henderson, President. Impression and deed may be seen at the Presbyterian Historical Society rooms in Philadelphia. The device of this seal is most beautiful and instructive. On an eight-pointed star is the figure of a tree in the center surrounded by the motto, 'Religious Liberty.' How remarkable the fact that the cherished liberty of this ancient church, safeguarded in their charter, should also be so clearly uttered in their published seal. This seal is said by the

Rev. Henry C. McCook, D.D., of Philadelphia, to be "the oldest known corporate seal of any American Presbyterian Church." It was used by the trustees for a time but afterwards ceased—Interest in it is now revived, and in 1897 it was re-adopted as a church seal by the Session of the First Presbyterian Church of Freehold. This church came out from Old Tennent as a separate organization in 1838, thereby reviving the old name and continuing the true succession of the "Old Scots Church of Freehold."

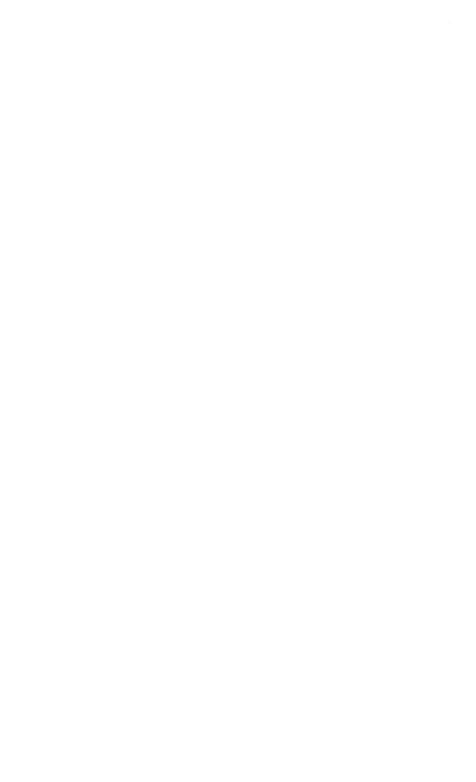
Only a brief reference may here be made to the pastorate of Rev. Wm. Tennent, Jr., who was installed in 1733 and served forty-four years. His wonderful life is well known and well told in "The Log College," by Archibald Alexander, D.D. He was known throughout the land as a mighty preacher and great evangelist. He left an ineffaceable mark upon the congregation, which has become better known under its affectionate title of "Old Tennent" than its modern title of "The First Presbyterian Church of the County of Monmouth." "From his pulpit Whitefield preached. At his communion table, which is still in use, Brainerd's Indian converts gathered." Around his church, under whose middle aisle he lay buried little more than a year, the American forces gathered on that momentous Sabbath, June 28th, 1778, and turned the weakness of Lee into the victory of Washington, which shortly led to the withdrawal of the British from the Jerseys, both West and East.

These two names must ever be dear to the heart of every Presbyterian minister and member. "Old Scots" and "Old Tennent" are two names for one church organization, in two periods of its history, connected from the beginning with the locality of Freehold. Old Scots comes first as the foundation, not lost but hidden in the soil of the past. Old Tennent comes after as the visible structure rising from this foundation and standing in the light of the present. Old Scots points to the organization of Presbyterianism in this land and the sacrifices of the Presbyterian fathers in behalf of the God-given cause of Religious Liberty. Old Tennent testifies to the mighty outpourings of the Holy Spirit and the "Great Awakening" to righteousness which must ever be the object of our prayers and efforts

On October 14th, 1897, the Synod purchased for the nominal sum of one dollar from the Trustees of Tennent Church a portion of ground in the 'Old Scots Burying Yard, being a circle thirty feet in diameter, the center whereof is a point three feet north of the northern edge of Rev. John Boyd's tombstone as it stood June, 1896." There the Synod erected the Presbyterian Historical Monument. This choice memorial commemorates the events and the men mentioned in the earliest extant records of the Presbyterian Church in this land. More particularly, as said, it stands upon the grave of the Rev. John Boyd, whose ordination was the first



THE PRESBYTERIAN HISTORICAL MONUMENT LOCATED ON THE SITE OF THE REV. JOHN BOYD'S GRAVE,



recorded ordination of a Presbyterian minister in America. marks the near-by site of the Old Scots meeting-house, where it is believed, on almost certain evidence that the "General Presbytery" (note this peculiar term) met for the ordination of John Boyd as the first pastor of the Old Scots Church, this meeting being the first recorded meeting of a Presbytery on American soil. appears all the more important as being the action of the independent American spirit that solved the problem of succession without sending across the sea for instructions or authority. The Dutch and English churches held on to the old country, provoking controversy, while our own church, in perfect accord with Presbyterian law, proceeded to this valid, native ordination. This monument also does honor to the able and faithful members of that meeting of Presbytery, to Rev. Francis Makemie, to Rev. Jedidiah Andrews and to Rev. John Hampton. It is a monument to Walter Ker, the godly elder who in 1685, because of his adherence to the Church of Scotland was banished to this country, and to the many others like him and with him who forsook home and country across the sea in order that they might worship God according to the dictates, not of the king of England but of their own conscience, and founded and formed the Old Scots Church as a beacon for Religious Liberty.

So we can truly say that it is an extraordinary memorial. It is a monument that is at once historic and comprehensive. It marks the grave of an important man; it locates the ancient site of a historic church; it points to the first ordination, native to American soil; it records the first meeting of an American Presbytery; it names the leaders of American Presbyterianism; it utters a tribute to the heroism of those early elders and members persecuted for their creed and covenant—not only all this, but it also stands to recognize the good Providence of God in raising up the Presbyterian Church in America to be a champion of Religious Liberty.

The whole structure and symbolism of the monument accord with this remarkable array of Presbyterian historical incidents. For this symbolism we are, for the most part, indebted to the Rev. Allen Henry Brown, of Camden, N. J., in connection with the builders of the monument, Messrs. J. and R. Lamb, of New York. He says: "As the men who composed the Presbytery here in 1706 "were from Scotland, Ireland and New England, it is not a mere "fancy or sentiment which has brought the granite from these "three countries to erect this monument to their memory. The "rough base is from Vermont. The Scotch thistle (national flower "of Scotland), which crowns the top and the four polished pillars "at the corners, are of Scotch granite, while the remaining body "is of fine Irish greystone." Moreover the people of those countries had much to do with the accomplished results of those early days, helping to lay foundations and forming laws and customs,

and themselves being knit together into corporate church membership, so this monument stands, not in the unity of one granite bowlder, but in the union of many solid stones, firmly cemented together. "These stones shall be for a memorial."

These ideas are still further expressed by the tablets on the sides and the corresponding seals over them, all of which are of bronze. On the front, as the leading one, we have the tablet of dedication, thus:

ERECTED UNDER THE SUPERVISION OF THE SYNOD OF NEW JERSEY LN 1899 TO RECOGNIZE THE GOOD PROVIDENCE OF GOD IN PLANTING THE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH IN THIS COUNTRY AND TO COMMEMORATE THE FIRST RECORDED ORDINATION BY A PRESBYTERY IN THE AMERICAN COLONIES. THE GENERAL PRESBYTERY ASSEMBLING IN THE OLD SCOTS MEETING-HOUSE ON THIS GROUND. DECEMBER 29, 1706. ORDAINED JOHN BOYD WHO DIED AUGUST 30, 1708 AND WAS BURIED HERE.

Another bronze tablet on the west side gives a facsimile of the Latin inscription which is carved in the stone of John Boyd's tombstone. The Rev. John Hall, D.D., of Trenton, N. J., in his History of the Presbyterian Church of Trenton, N. J., gives a translation, but the church is under greatest obligation to Rev. Prof. Henry Clay Cameron, D.D., of Princeton University, for the restoration of the text and the complete translation of the time-worn and partially obliterated Latin epitaph

The bronze tablet on the east side contains Professor Cameron's translation of the Latin epitaph, thus:

THE ASHES OF THE VERY PIOUS MASTER JOHN BOYD PASTOR OF THIS CHURCH OF CALVIN ARE BURIED HERE. HIS LABOR ALTHOUGH EXPENDED ON BARREN GROUND HE DID NOT LOSE. THOSE WHO KNEW HIM WELL ALSO PROVED HIS WORTH, AT THAT TIME DISTINGUISHED FOR HIS VIRTUES. READER, FOLLOW PERSEVERINGLY HIS FOOTSTEPS, AND I HOPE THOU WILT BE HAPPY. HE DIED THE THIRTIETH DAY OF AUGUST ONE THOUSAND, SEVEN HUNDRED AND EIGHT, IN THE TWENTY-NINTH YEAR OF HIS AGE.

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TABLET OF EPITAPH WEST SIDE.

TABLET OF DEDICATION

NORTH SIDE

TABLET OF TRANSLATION. EAST SIDE





On the south side the stone bears no tablet at present, but is left vacant for some great event in our history, worthy of such an exalted position. Would that it might bear the record of the union of the Northern and Southern Presbyterian Churches, when they come together in a bond never to be broken.

On the four gables over the tablets are four historic seals. On the north side, facing the entrance, is the seal of the Northern Presbyterian Church, showing an open Bible and a serpent on a cross as a symbol of the Saviour. This is appropriately placed over the tablet of dedication.

On the west is the seal of the "Presbyterian Church of Monmouth County," the oldest known Presbyterian church seal in this country. This church, the Old Scots-Freehold-Tennent Church was, as said, incorporated in 1749 by royal charter, under Governor Jonathan Belcher. The seal is placed over the tablet bearing the John Boyd epitaph.

On the east is the seal of the Scotch-Irish Society, reminding us of the services of the Scotch and Irish, including the men of Ulster. This is placed over the tablet bearing the English translation.

On the south is the seal of the Southern Presbyterian Church, showing the mystic letters of the Saviour's name, I H S surrounded by a burst of sun rays over an anchor, standing for the blessed gospel—their hope as well as ours—This is placed over the space left vacant.

On the south side also is placed a tablet different from the others. It appears on the second base of the monument as a token of appreciation due to the devotion of the chairman and leader in this whole enterprise, reading as follows:

TO THE UNTIRING EFFORTS OF THE REV. ALLEN HENRY BROWN, WHICH LED TO THE ERECTION OF THIS MONUMENT, THIS TABLET IS SET AS A MEMORIAL BY THE SYNOD OF NEW JERSEY.

This description would be incomplete without calling attention to the emphasis which the monument lays upon the great Presbyterian principle of Religious Liberty, so grandly expressed in those noble words of the Confession beginning "God alone is Lord of the conscience." These words "Religious Liberty" not only appear on the seal of the Presbyterian Church of Monmouth County on the west gable, but are also carved in stone upon the second base in large letters on the very front, as the most prominent reminder to future generations of our obligations to God,

## "Author of Liberty."

The program of exercises was worthy of the great occasion that called it forth, and began promptly at eleven A.M., with the Rev. A.

Nelson Hollifield, D.D., late lamented pastor of the Third Presbyterian Church of Newark, and Moderator of the Synod of New Jersey, presiding, who offered prayer. A hymn was sung, "Our God, our help in ages past." The Scripture, 1 Sam. 7:5-12, Acts 8:1-4, was read by Rev. Jos. M. McNulty, D.D., pastor of the Presbyterian Church of Woodbridge, which has lately celebrated its 225th anniversary. A history and description of the monument was given by the Rev. Allen H. Brown, Chairman of the Committee, and the monument was unveiled by Walter Kerr, Esq., of New York, descendant of the celebrated elder. The dedicatory prayer was offered by Rev. Geo. D. Baker, D.D., pastor of the First Presbyterian Church, of Philadelphia. A message from the Northern Presbyterian General Assembly was uttered by the Rev. Robert F. Sample, D.D., of New York, Moderator in 1899. This was responded to by Rev. Robert P. Kerr, D.D., of Richmond, Va., delegate from the Southern Presbyterian General Assembly, who spoke on "The Use of Monuments." After a hymn was sung, "O God of Bethel," the principal address was delivered by Rev. Wm. H. Roberts, D.D. LL.D., of Philadelphia, Stated Clerk of the Northern General Assembly. This was followed by a financial statement by Rev. Eben B. Cobb, D.D., of Elizabeth, Treasurer after which the doxology was sung closing the exercises at the Old Scots Ground

In the afternoon the celebration was continued at Old Tennent Church, the later name and true successor of Old Scots. A special train carried the visitors from one to the other. The house was beautifully decorated with flowers and flags, and with an overflow ing audience the service began at three P. M., the appointed hour-An address was delivered by Rev. Parke P. Flournov, D.D., of Bethesda, Md., delegate from the Southern General Assembly, on "Presbyterians before Presbytery." Then followed a program of less formal character than in the morning, consisting of a number of three-minute speeches by the following: Rev. H. C. Cameron, D.D., of Princeton University; Rev. F. R. Symmes, of Tennent Church; Rev. W. M. Rice, D.D., Stated Clerk of the Presbytery of Philadelphia; Rev. Robert Alexander, D D, editor of "The Presbyterian"; Rev. Henry G. Smith, D.D., professor in Lane Theological Seminary, Cincinnati, O., and Rev. Hugh B. MacCauley pastor of the Fourth Church of Trenton, the last two being former pastors of the church at Freehold. The benediction was then pronounced by the Moderator.

Thus ended exercises of unusual and impressive interest, whose echoes will be heard for a long time to come — It was a day long to be remembered. It was Flag Day, the 123d anniversary of the adoption of the Stars and Stripes. It was Presbyterian Day par excellence — It was a day of memory, inspiration and gratitude before God. No one present will forget that sight, when the veil

fell from the monument and the shaft appeared to public view for the first time amid great applause. At the same instant the only rain during the exercises, a few large drops, fell and wet the monument. It was a token of Heaven's benediction upon the auspicious occasion, a Presbyterian baptism. Long may the memory of the Old Scots Presbyterians endure, long stand the monument to speak of their heroic faith.

# XXI.--REPORT OF THE TREASURER OF THE TRUSTEES OF THE SYNOD OF NEW JERSEY.

From October 9th, 1899, to October 16th, 1900.

Dr.			
1899.			
Oct. 10.	To balance in Camden Safe Deposit and Trust		
	Company,	\$1,286 79	
Dec. 31.	To accrued interest,	34 99	
1900.			
Mch. 27.	To interest on mortgage on Manse, Barnegat,	18 13	
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Jan. 5.	By payment to Forked River Church,	\$19 24	
Jan. 7.	By payment to S. S. of Brainerd Church,	15 75	
Nov. 2.	By investment in mortgage on Manse of Church		
	at Barnegat Village,	725 00	
1900.			
Mch. 28.	By payment to Forked River Church,	18 13	
Oct. 4.	By payment to Forked River Church,	18 12	
Oct. 15.	By balance in Trust Company,	561 79	
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The balance, \$561.79, includes the Wurts legacy of \$525.00.

Respectfully submitted by

Allen H. Brown,

Treasurer of the Trustees of the Synod of New Jersey.

Above report examined, compared with vouchers, and found correct.

October 17th, 1900.

J. H. OWENS, Chairman Finance Committee.

## XXII.—REPORT OF THE TREASURER.

EBEN B. COBB, TREASURER, In account with the Synod of New Jersey.

## Dr.

To balance from previous account, \$600 49 " advertising,	•
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By janitor's bill, Asbury Park, \$10 00  salaries for year ending October 1st, 1900, 160 00  expenses of Trustees of Synod, 66 60  original of Minutes of Synod, 55 00  printing of Minutes of 1899, 256 55  binding Minutes, 2 00  catalogue bags, &c., 3 00  balance on hand October 1st, 1900, 601 75	
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EBEN B. COBB,

Elizabeth, N. J., October 1st, 1900.

Treasurer.

We have examined the above report this 17th day of October, 1900, compared the same with vouchers, and find it correct.

JAS. H. OWENS, JOHN S. JESSUP, J. D. FLOCK,

Finance Committee.

#### XXIII-STATISTICAL REPORTS.

I. THE PRESETTERY OF CORISCO consists of fifteen ministers, and has under its care eleven churches, five licentiates and three candidates.

Of its ministers one third are native African negroes, educated in Presbytery's theological class.

Its churches have an aggregate membership of sixteen hundred.

#### Minister received-

December 8 1899, Rev. William M. Dager, from the Presbytery of Platte.

## Minister dismissed -

December 11, 1899, Rev. William S. Bannerman, to the Presbytery of Alaska.

## Ordained-

December 13, 1899, Licentiate Ngande.

#### Deceased—

August 9, 1899, Rev. William C. Gault, aged forty-nine.

ROBERT HAMILL NASSAU, Stated Clerk

II. THE PRESBYTERY OF ELIZABETH consists of forty-eight ministers, thirty-four churches and has under its care one licentiate, two local evangelists and two candidates for the ministry.

## Ordained -

May 22, 1900, Mr. John F. Dobbs, sine titulo.

June 5, 1900, Mr. Lewis G. Leary sine titulo.

October 10, 1900, Mr. John T. Reeve.

October 12, 1900, Mr. Almer W. Karnell.

#### Received -

March 3, 1900 Rev. Henry Elliott Mott, D.D., from Presbytery of Buffalo.

April 17, 1900, Rev. Harlan G. Mendenhall, D.D., from Presbytery of Topeka.

#### Dismissed-

April 12, 1900, Rev. Abram I. Martine, to Classis of Monmouth. April 17, 1900, Rev. Jacob A. Frey, to Presbytery of Jersey City. May 22, 1900, Rev. John F. Dobbs, to the Classis of New York. September 6, 1900, Rev. Henry M. Mellen, to Classis of Newark.

#### Installed -

March 8 1900, Rev. Henry Elliott Mott, as pastor of Westminster Church, Elizabeth.

October 10, 1900, Rev. John T. Reeve, as pastor of Basking Ridge Church.

October 12, 1900, Rev. Almer W. Karnell, as pastor of the Connecticut Farms Church.

## Dissolved pastoral relations—

April 12, 1900, between Rev. Abram I. Martine and the Church at Dunellen.

April 17, 1900, between Rev Jacob A. Frey and the German Churches, First Rahway and Maurer.

April 17, 1900, between Rev. Joseph G. Williamson and the Beth-lehem Church.

April 17, 1900, between Rev. Charles S. Converse and the Connecticut Farms Church.

September 6, 1900, between Rev. Henry M. Mellen and the Church at Lamington.

#### Licensed -

April 18, 1900, Mr. Walter B. Greenway.

April 18, 1900, Mr. Robert D. Schoonmaker.

April 18 1900, Mr. John Francis Dobbs.

May 15, 1900, Mr. Lewis G. Leary.

October 4, 1900, Mr. John T. Reeve.

## Licentiates received -

October 4, 1900, Mr. Almer W. Karnell, from the Manhattan Congregational Association

## Licensed as local evangelist—

May 15, 1900, Mr. Ernest R. Brown.

## Licentiate dismissed-

May 22 1900 Mr. Walter B. Greenway, to Presbytery of Newark

#### Candidates received—

April 18 1900, Mr. Robert M. Cummings, a member of the church at Perth Amboy.

October 4, 1900, Mr. John T. Reeve, from the Presbytery of Dubuque.

October 16, 1900, Mr. Leopold R. Burrows from the Presbytery of New Brunswick.

#### Deceased -

April 24, 1900, Rev. John C. Rankin, D.D., aged eighty-four.

## Organized-

February 20, 1900, The Presbyterian Church of Cokesbury, N. J., with sixty-one members and four elders.

SAMUEL PARRY, Stated Clerk.

III.—The Preserrery of Jersey City consists of fifty-four ministers and thirty-six churches, and has under its care one licentiate and three caudidates

#### Ministers received-

December 5, 1899, Rev. Jacob Schmitt, from the Presbytery of Newark.

February 6 1900, Rev. Henry B. Pratt, from the Presbytery of Western Texas.

February 6, 1900, Rev. James E. Rawlins, from the Presbytery of Southern Virginia.

April 17, 1900, Rev. Jacob A. Frey, from the Presbytery of Elizabeth.

## Minister Dismissed-

June 4, 1900, Rev Frederick W. Jackson, Jr., to the Presbytery of Shantung, China.

#### Ordained-

June 29, 1900, Archibald F. Parker.

July 2, 1900, William T. Stuchell.

October 11, 1900, James P. Stoflet.

#### Installed -

October 26, 1899, Rev. Samuel R. MacClements, Ph.D., at Rutherford.

December 15, 1899, Rev. F. Lincoln Cornish, at Christ Church, Bayonne.

January 4, 1900, Rev. Jacob Schmitt, at Passaic, German.

May 17, 1900, Rev. Jacob A. Frey, at Broadway German, Paterson. July 2, 1900, Rev. William T. Stuchell, at Claremont, Jersey City. October 11, 1900, Rev. James P. Stoflet, at Woodridge.

## Pastoral Relation Dissolved-

May 1, 1900, Rev. George R. Garretson and the Claremont Church, Jersey City.

May 1, 1900, Rev. Frederick W. Jackson, Jr., and the Scotch Church of Jersey City.

May 13, 1900, Rev. Frederick J. Kraushaar and the church at Carlstadt.

#### Licensed-

December 5, 1899, Mr. William T Stuchell.

December 5, 1899, Mr. James P. Stoflet

February 6, 1900, Mr. William J. McDonald.

June 4, 1900, Mr. Archibald F. Parker.

#### Licentiate dismissed—

June 4, 1900, Mr. William J. McDonald, to the Presbytery of Boston.

## Churches organized-

October 20, 1899, Christ Church, Bayonne.

October 11, 1900, Lyndhurst.

## Ministers deceased -

September 28, 1899, Rev. Isaac P. Stryker.

December 21, 1899 Rev. Vernon B. Carroll.

March 10, 1900, Rev. William E Westervelt.

## GEORGE R. GARRETSON,

Stated Clerk.

IV.—The Preserver of Monmouth consists of fifty-five ministers and forty-nine churches, and has under its care one licentiate and one candidate

#### Ministers received -

November 14, 1899, Frederick E. Stockwell, from the Rhode Island Association of Congregational Ministers

June 12, 1900, Charles H. Whitaker, from the Classis of Orange (Reformed).

September 25, 1900, Samuel M. Thompson, LL.D., from the Presbytery of Detroit.

September 25, 1900, Herman C. Fox, D D., from the Presbytery of Philadelphia.

## Ordinations -

November 14, 1899, Spencer C. Dickson.

September 26, 1900, John E. Parmly.

## Ministers dismissed -

February 27, 1900, Rev. Hugh B. MacCauley, to Presbytery of New Brunswick.

February 27, 1900, Rev. Robert G. Davey, to Presbytery of Toronto, Canada.

July 31, 1900, Rev. Lester M. Conrow, to Presbytery of Troy.

September 17, 1900, Rev. Jas. I. Campbell, to Presbytery of Carlisle.

September 26, 1900, Rev. John E. Parmly, to Presbytery of Hudson.

Pastoral relations dissolved-

February 27, 1900, Rev. Hugh B MacCauley and the church of Freehold.

February 27, 1900, Rev. Robert G. Davey and the church of Red Bank.

April 11, 1900, Rev. Charles H. McClellan, D.D., and the church at Lakewood.

June 12, 1900, Rev. Courtlandt P. Butler and the Calvary (Riverton) Church.

August 30, 1900, Rev. Charles F Taylor and the Second Church, Cranbury.

## Licentiale received —

November 14, 1899, Spencer C. Dickson, from the Presbytery of Lackawanna

#### Minister deceased -

February 2, 1900, F. Reck Harbaugh.

#### Installations-

November 14, 1900, Rev. Spencer C. Dickson, as pastor of the church of Point Pleasant.

January 23, 1900, Rev. Frederick E. Stockwell, as pastor of church of Beverly.

October 1, 1900, Rev. Herman C. Fox, D.D., as pastor of the church of Freehold.

October 4, 1900, Rev. Samuel M. Thompson, L.L.D., as pastor of church of Red Bank.

#### New church organized-

March 27, 1900, West Mantoloking.

#### Name of church changed-

April 10, 1900, Manchester to Lakehurst.

BENJAMIN S. EVERITT,

Stated Clerk.

V.—The Presbytery of Morris and Orange consists of sixty-five ministers and forty-six churches, and has under its care two candidates for the gospel ministry.

## Ministers received -

December 6, 1899, Rev. G. Phillips Payson, from the Presbytery of Newark.

January 16th, 1900, Rev. Kinsley Twining, D.D., from the Congregational Association of Rhode Island.

April 10, 1900, Rev. Christopher Bauer, from the Presbytery of Boston.

April 10, 1900, Rev. George L. Richmond, from Council of Congregational churches held in the Main Street Church, Aimsbury, Mass.

## Installations-

December 6, 1899, Rev. G. Phillips Payson over the church at Wyoming.

February 5, 1900, Rev. Chas. B. Bullard over the church at Elmwood, East Orange.

May 9, 1900, Rev. Christopher Bauer over the church at Myers-ville.

## Ordination -

April 10, 1900, Paul Erdman, as an evangelist.

### Ministers dismissed-

November 16, 1899, Rev. August Block, to the Presbytery of Hudson.

January 16, 1900, Rev. Samuel J. McClenaghan, to the French Broad Presbytery.

June 19, 1900, Rev. Andrew M. Sherman, to the Essex Baptist Association of New Jersey.

## Died-

May 12, 1900, Rev. Robert Aikman, D.D.

STANLEY WHITE, Stated Clerk.

VI —The Presbytery of Newark consists of fifty-five ministers and thirty-six churches, and has under its care three licentiates and fourteen candidates

## Ministers received -

November 7, 1899, Nelson B. Chester, from the Presbytery of Niagara.

March 19, 1900, A. Edwin Keigwin, from the Presbytery of West Jersey.

March 19, 1900. Geo. L. Curtis, from the Presbytery of Baltimore April 4, 1900, William W. Coe, from the Presbytery of Erie

## Ministers dismissed -

November 7, 1899, G. Phillips Payson, to the Presbytery of Morris and Orange.

November 7, 1899, Jacob Schmitt, to the Presbytery of Jersey City. February 7, 1900, Julius O. Symanski, to the Presbytery of Nassau.

February 7, 1900 Robinson P. D. Bennett to the Presbytery of Philadelphia, North.

April 4, 1900, Geo. Brauer, to the Presbytery of Champlain.

October 3, 1900, Geo. G. Wacker, to the North Classis of Long Island.

## Ordinations -

November 7, 1899, Theo. Halin, sine titulo.

June 21, 1900, Walter B. Greenway.

## Licensure-

October 4, 1899, Herbert Ure.

### Licentiate received—

June 6, 1900, Walter B. Greenway, from the Presbytery of Elizabeth.

## Candidates received on examination -

April 4, 1900, Ferdinand Kohler, Arthur F. Kurtz.

October 3, 1900, Isaac C. Bates.

## Installations—

November 14, 1899, Nelson B. Chester as pastor of First Church of Caldwell.

March 26, 1900, A. Edwin Keigwin, as pastor of Park Church, Newark.

April 3, 1900, Geo. L. Curtis, as pastor of First Church, Bloomfield.

June 21, 1900, Walter B. Greenway, as pastor of Lyons Farms Church.

## Pastoral relations dissolved—

February 7, 1900, between the Rev Robinson P. D. Bennett and the Lyons Farms Church.

October 3, 1900, between the Rev. Otto H. Dietrich and the Manhattan Park German Church.

#### Ministers deceased -

January 26, 1900, Wm. W. Eddy, D.D., at Beirut, Syria.

April 9, 1900, Wm. F. Junkin D.D., LL.D., at Montelair, N. J. April 30, 1900, Charles Eugene Knox, D.D., at Point Pleasant, N. J.

JULIUS H. WOLFF,
Stated Clerk.

VII.—THE PRESBYTERY OF NEW BRUNSWICK consists of sixty-six ministers, and has under its care thirty-six churches and an Italian Evangelical Congregation, eighteen licentiates and forty-five candidates.

## Ministers received from other Presbyteries-

January 30, 1900, Rev. William L. Moore, from the Presbytery of Philadelphia.

April 10, 1900, Rev. Hugh B. MacCauley, from the Presbytery of Monmouth.

September 18, 1900, Rev. William Brenton Green, Jr., D.D., from the Presbytery of Philadelphia.

## Minister received from another religious body-

May 14, 1900, Rev. Robert I. MacBride, from the Classis of Albany, Reformed Church of America.

## Ordinations sine titulo -

April 23, 1900, David S. Currie.

May 10, 1900, Alfred Erickson.

May 21, 1900, Robert J. Dick.

July 2, 1900, William P. Armstrong.

## Ministers dismissed to other Presbyteries-

April 10, 1900, Rev. George T. Purves, D.D., to the Presbytery of New York.

May 10, 1900, Rev. Alfred Erickson, to the Presbytery of Ebenezer. June 26, 1900, Rev. William H. Morrow, to the Presbytery of

September 18, 1900, Rev. James C. Mackenzie, Ph.D., to the Presbytery of New Castle.

September 18, 1900, Rev. Robert J. Dick, to the Presbytery of Sequoyah.

## Pastorat relations dissolved-

McClelland.

January 30, 1900, Rev. Daniel R. Foster with Bethany Church, Trenton.

January 30, 1900, Rev. A. L. Armstrong with Dutch Neck Church, to take effect March 31, 1900.

April 10, 1900, Rev. George T. Purves, D.D., with Princeton First Church.

#### Pastoral relations constituted—

November 19, 1899, Rev. George T. Purves, D.D., with Princeton First Church.

February 13, 1900, Rev. William L. Moore with Frenchtown Church.

April 18, 1900, Rev. Hugh B. MacCauley with Treuton Fourth Church.

May 16, 1900, Rev. Robert I. MacBride with Trenton Bethany Church.

#### Ordination and installation -

July 13, 1900, Samuel T. Graham, pastor of Dutch Neck Church.

## Candidates received from other Presbyteries -

January 30, 1900, Robert O. Richmond, from Presbytery of West Chester.

April 16, 1900, Roy Calvin Dobson, from Presbytery of Holston. April 16, 1900, Hugh Walker, from Presbytery of Nebraska City.

## Candidates received on examination—

January 30, 1900, John Mitchell, Edward R. James, Charles E. Diehl, Robert Sterling.

April 16, 1900, Arthur Shokichi Hata.

September 24, 1900, William Sinclair, Fraser L. McLeod.

#### Candidate dismissed—

September 30, 1900, Leopold R. Burrows, to Presbytery of Elizabeth.

## Licentiates received from other Presbyteries—

January 30, 1900, William P. Armstrong, from Presbytery of Tuscaloosa.

June 26, 1900, Samuel T. Graham, from Presbytery of Benicia.

#### Licensures-

April 16, 1900, David Stewart Currie, Robert James Dick, Roy Calvin Dobson, Alfred Erickson, James Ferguson, David Kenzie Grant, Robert Ogilvie Kirkwood, Frederic William Loetscher, William Kerr McKinney, James Shannon Montgomery, Robert Fulton Sterling, Hugh Walker.

April 23, 1900, Charles E. Diehl.

April 26, 1900, Minot C. Morgan.

June 26, 1900, Franz Xaver Ess, John Mitchell.

## Licentiates dismissed to other Presbyteries—

October 28, 1899, Edward S. Brearley, to Presbytery of Fargo. February 14, 1900, William B. Cooke, to Presbytery of Carlisle. May 7, 1900, James Montgomery, to Presbytery of Athens. May 10, 1900, James Ferguson, to Presbytery of Philadelphia. May 10, 1900, Minot C. Morgan, to Presbytery of Philadelphia. May 28, 1900, Roy Calvin Dobson, to Presbytery of Portsmouth. June 8, 1900, William K. McKinney, to Presbytery of West Jersey. August 17, 1900, Hugh Walker, to Presbytery of New Castle. September 6, 1900, Robert F. Sterling, to Presbytery of Baltimore. September 20, 1900, Charles E. Diehl, to Presbytery of Ebenezer.

## Ministers deceased -

November 19, 1899, Rev. John M. Rogers, at Machodoc, Virginia January 27, 1900, Rev. William Henry Green, D.D., LL D., at Princeton, N. J.

May 15 1900, Rev. Samuel J. Milliken, at Tokyo, Japan.

A. L. Armstrong,

Stated Clerk

VIII.—The Presentery of Newton consists of forty-three ministers and thirty-four churches, and has under its care eight candidates.

### Ministers received-

- April 10, 1900, Rev. D. Lloyd Jones, from the Presbytery of Huntingdon.
- April 11, 1900, Rev. Harold M. Thurlow, from the Wilmington Conference of the Methodist Episcopal Church.
- October 2, 1900, Rev. John W. Bell, from the Pascataqua, New Hampshire, Association of Congregational Ministers.
- October 3, 1900, Rev. Jonathan Greenleaf, from the Presbytery of Albany.
- October 3, 1900, Rev. James Halliday, from the Presbytery of Detroit

#### Ministers dismissed-

- June 26, 1900, Rev. Isaac H. Condit, to the Presbytery of West Jersey.
- June 26, 1900, Rev. John G. Addy, to the South Classis of Long Island of the Reformed Church in America.
- October 2, 1900, Rev. Phineas B. Kennedy, to the Presbytery of Lehigh.
- October 2, 1900, Rev. Edward K. Donaldson, to the Presbytery of Philadelphia, North.

## Pastoral relation constituted-

April 26, 1900, Rev. Harold M. Thurlow, installed pastor of the Church of Branchville.

#### Pastoral relations dissolved—

- April 10, 1900, Rev. S. Nye Hutchison, with the First Church of Oxford, to take effect April 30, 1900.
- April 11, 1900, Rev. John G. Addy, with the Church of Yellow Frame, to take effect May 1, 1900.
- April 11, 1900, Rev. William Hollinshed, with the Church of Sparta, to take effect June 1 1900.
- October 2 1900, Rev Phineas B. Kennedy, with the Church of Asbury, to take effect the same day.
- October 2, 1900, Rev. Edward K. Donaldson, with the Church of Stanhope, to take effect November 11, 1900

#### Candidates received—

October 2, 1900, Mr. Stuart N. Hutchison, on examination.

October 2, 1900, Mr. William B. Sheddan, from the Presbytery of Northumberland.

#### Minister deceased-

May 12, 1900, Rev. Joseph C. Cromack, at Perth Amboy, N. J. E. Clarke Cline,

Stated Clerk.

IX.—The Presertery of West Jersey consists of sixty-five ministers and fifty-five churches, and has under its care five candidates

#### Ministers received -

January 30, 1900, Rev. J. Calvin Krause, from the Presbytery of Chester.

January 30, 1900, Rev. Robert Westly Peach, from the Presbytery of Boston.

April 17, 1900, Rev. Wm. J. Trimble, D.D., from the Presbytery of Kingston.

April 17, 1900, Rev. Frederick W. Johnson, D.D., from the Presbytery of Albany.

April 17, 1900, Rev. George H. Broening, Ph.D., from the Presbytery of Philadelphia North.

June 26, 1900, Rev. George Warrington, from the Presbytery of Northumberland.

June 26, 1900, Rev. Isaac H. Condit, from the Presbytery of Newton.

## Ministers dismissed -

November 20, 1899, Rev. George B. Van Dyke, to the Presbytery of Utica

March 6, 1900, Albert Edwin Keigwin, to the Presbytery of Newark.

April 17, 1900, Rev. Hugh B. McCrone, to the Presbytery of Troy. April 26, 1900, Rev. Thomas Fragale to the Presbytery of Pitts-

burgh.

June 26, 1900, Rev. J. Charles Levengood, to the Presbytery of Philadelphia, North.

#### Ordinations -

April 26, 1900, Walter Everett Smith.

July 5, 1900, Frank S. Brenneman.

July 10, 1900, William K. McKinney.

#### Installations -

February 14th. 1900, Rev. J. Calvin Krause, as pastor of Williamstown church.

March 1, 1900, Rev. Robert Westly Peach, as pastor of Camden Second Church.

April 19, 1900, Rev. George H. Broening, Ph.D., as pastor of Mill-ville church.

April 24, 1900, Rev. Frederick W. Johnson, D.D., as pastor of Clayton church.

April 26, 1900 Rev. Walter Everett Smith, as pastor of Mays Landing church.

July 5, 1900, Rev. Frank S. Brenneman, as pastor of Greenwich church

July 10, 1900, Rev. Wm. K. McKinney, as pastor of Hammonton First Church.

July 12, 1900, Rev. Isaac H. Condit, as pastor of Holly Beach church.

#### Pastoral relations dissolved -

November 20, 1899, Rev. George B. Van Dyke and Hammonton First Church.

March 6, 1900, Rev. Albert Edwin Keigwin and Millville church.

April 17, 1900, Rev. J Charles Levengood and Greenwich church.

April 17, 1900, Rev. Hugh B. McCrone and Logan Memorial church

April 26, 1900, Rev. Thomas Fragale and Italian Evangelical church at Hammonton.

September 26, 1900, Rev. James M. Cockins and Cape May church.

#### Licensure -

January 30, 1900, Mr. Walter Everett Smith.

### Licentiates received-

June 26, 1905, Mr. Wm. K. McKinney from the Presbytery of New Brunswick.

July 5, 1900 Mr. Frank S. Brenneman, from the Presbytery of Shenango.

# Candidate received from another Presbytery-

January 30, 1900, Mr. Walter Everett Smith, from the Presbytery of Philadelphia North.

# Candidates received under care of Presbytery on examination -

June 26, 1900, Mr. Howard Albert Clark.

September 26, 1900, Mr. Harvey T. Casselberry.

#### Dropped from the roll-

January 30, 1900, Rev. Harvey D. Brasefield.

#### Church dissolved-

September 26 1900, Bethany church, Camden.

#### Minister deceased -

Rev. George Warrington departed this life September 1, 1900.

HENRY REEVES,

Stated Clerk.



# Standing Rules of the Synod.

- I.—The Synod shall meet annually, on the third Tuesday of October, at 3 o'clock P. M., unless otherwise ordered.
- II.—The officers of Synod shall be a Moderator, a Stated Clerk, a Permanent Clerk, a Recording Clerk, and a Treasurer.
- III.—The Moderator shall be elected annually, after calling the roll of the Presbyteries for nominations, when the Presbytery which has been longest without having a representative in the Moderator's chair shall be called first. The Clerks and Treasurer shall be elected by ballot, unless otherwise ordered, and shall hold office during the pleasure of Synod.
- IV.—It shall be the duty of the Stated Clerk to cause a notice of the time and place of meeting to be published in the religious papers most current in the Synod, at least three weeks prior to the time of meeting; to lay on the Moderator's table at the opening of Synod, a printed docket of business; to preserve the proceedings of Synod in printed form: to file and preserve all important papers coming into the possession of Synod: to furnish certified copies of minutes to those properly entitled to them; to conduct the correspondence of Synod; to transmit to the General Assembly the Statistical Report and the duly certified printed Records of Synod; to send a printed copy of the minutes of each annual meeting of Synod to every Minister, to the Session of each vacant church, and to each Ruling Elder who attended that meeting; and to cause the copies that have been submitted to the General Assembly to be bound in volumes at suitable inter-The Stated Clerk shall print an Appendix to the Minutes, which shall contain all the papers and reports presented to Synod that are of permanent value. But in preparing such materials for publication he shall be authorized to abridge the same, except where resolutions and recommendations have been adopted by Synod, and when otherwise ordered by Synod.
- V.—The Permanent Clerk shall prepare a roll of Synod before the opening To enable him to do this, all members shall report themselves to him on arrival at the place of meeting. To him reasons for absence or late attendance shall be given and of him permission to leave shall be obtained. He shall

be the Reading Clerk, call the roll, and otherwise assist the Stated Clerk as he may require; and he shall act as Stated Clerk in the absence or disability of that officer.

- VI.—The Recording Clerk shall make the minutes of the proceedings of Synod from day to day, and deliver them to the Stated Clerk on the adjournment of Synod; and he shall act as Permanent Clerk in the absence or disability of that officer.
- VII.—The compensation of the Stated Clerk shall be one hundred dollars per annum; that of the Permanent and Recording Clerks, thirty dollars respectively.
- VIII.—The Treasurer shall receive and disburse all funds of the Synod for contingent expenses, and render an itemized account at each annual meeting.

#### COMMITTEES.

IN. —The Committees of Synod shall be divided into three classes, viz.: Standing, Permanent and Special.

#### STANDING COMMITTEES.

THE STANDING COMMITTEES, to be appointed by the Moderator at each annual meeting, shall be as follows:

- I. ON BILLS AND OVERTURES, seven members—four Ministers, of whom one shall be the retiring Moderator, and three Ruling Elders.
- 2. ON JUDICIAL BUSINESS, seven members—four Ministers and three Ruling Elders.
- 3. On RECORDS OF PRESBYTERIES, three members for each Presbytery—two Ministers and one Ruling Elder.
- 4. On Minutes of General Assembly, three members —two Ministers and one Ruling Elder.
- 5. On NARRATIVE, three members—two Ministers and one Ruling Elder.
- 6. ON FINANCE, four members—two Ministers and two Ruling Elders, who shall audit the accounts of the Treasurer of Synod and of the Treasurers of the different funds, except the Synodical Home Mission Fund; and arrange the apportionment of the amount required from each Presbytery for contingent expenses.

- 7. ON SYNODICAL HOME MISSION ACCOUNTS, a Special Finance Committee, two members—one Minister and one Ruling Elder, neither of whom shall be a member of the Permanent Committee of Synodical Home Missions, who shall examine and audit the accounts of the Treasurer of the Synodical Home Mission Fund, between the first day of October and the third Tuesday of October next ensuing their appointment, and who shall report to the Synod immediately after such examination, and whose necessary traveling expenses shall be defrayed by the Treasurer of Synod.
- N —The Committee of Arrangements shall consist of all the Presbyterian Pastors and one Ruling Elder from each church in the place where the Synod meets, together with the Stated Clerk of Synod, the Pastor of the church in which Synod meets to be chairman. They shall provide accommodations for the Synod; suggest hours of meeting and adjournment; arrange for public services, and the persons to conduct them, and provide for hearing representatives of the Boards.

#### PERMANENT COMMITTEES.

- XI.—The Permanent Committees of the Synod shall be as follows:
  - 1. On Synodical Home Missions, eight members—one for each home Presbytery.
  - 2. On Foreign Missions, one member from the Presbytery of Corisco; the chairman of the Presbyterial Committee on Foreign Missions and one Ruling Elder, from each home Presbytery.
  - 3. On Historical Materials, nine members—one for each Presbytery.
  - 4. On Sabbath-school Work, eight members; the chairman of the Committee on Sabbath-school Work in each home Presbytery.
  - 5. On Sabbath Observance, three members—two Ministers and one Ruling Elder.
  - 6. On Temperance, nine members—one from each home Presbytery, besides the chairman.
  - 7. On Necrology, three members—two Ministers and one Ruling Elder.
  - 8. On Systematic Beneficence, eight members—one from each home Presbytery.

- 9. ON WORK AMONG FOREIGN POPULATIONS, five members—three Ministers and two Ruling Elders.
- 10. On Young People's Societies, a chairman appointed by Synod and the chairman of the Presbyterial Committee on Young People's Societies
- 11. ON APPLIED CHRISTIANITY, five members—three Ministers and two Ruling Elders.
- NII.—The Permanent Committees shall each report to Synod annually upon the matters assigned to them, and recommend suitable action to be taken by Synod in relation thereto
- NIII.—The Necrological Committee shall present, at the annual meeting, brief obituary notices of all Ministers of Synod who have deceased during the Synodical year.
- NIV.—Each Presbytery belonging to the Synod shall send a written Narrative of the State of Religion within its bounds to the Synod's Committee on Narrative at least one week previous to the stated meeting of Synod
- XV.—The Sacrament of the Lord's Supper shall be administered at each stated meeting of the Synod, under the superintendence of the retiring Moderator, or the Minister presiding in his place, at such time and place as the Committee of Arrangements shall designate.
- XVI.—The Committee on Systematic Beneficence shall co-operate with the Stated Clerk and the Committee of Arrangements in selecting topics and securing speakers to address the Synod upon the subjects of Benevolence and Church Work, and the evening session of the second day of the meeting of Synod shall be devoted exclusively to popular addresses by Secretaries of Boards or others
- XVII.—All notices of, or calls for, meetings of Presbyteries or Committees, and all resolutions, shall be in writing and read by the Clerk
- XVIII.—The rules for Judicatories adopted by the General Assembly shall be the rules of the Synod, so far as they apply
- NIX.—These rules may be amended or repealed by a two-thirds vote, but if notice of a proposed change has been given at a previous stated meeting, a majority may amend or repeal; and any one of these rules may be temporarily suspended by a majority vote.

# Permanent Committees.

#### SYNODICAL HOME MISSIONS.

REV. RAVMOND HILLIARD GAGE. REV. ALFRED H. DASHIELL, D.D., REV. J. GARLAND HAMNER, JR.,

REV. EBEN B. COBB, D.D., Chairman. REV. WM. W. HALLOWAY, JR., D.D., REV. PHILO F. LEAVENS, D.D., REV. SAMUEL M. STUDDIFORD, D.D., REV. WILLIAM THOMSON.

#### FOREIGN MISSIONS.

REV. R. HAMILL NASSAU, D.D.,

REV. WILLIAM R. RICHARDS, D.D., ELDER EDWARD P. TENNEY, REV. CHARLES HERR, D.D., REV. ALEX, H. YOUNG, D.D. REV. JOHN F. PATTERSON, VACANCY. REV. JAMES W. ROGAN, D.D., REV. GEORGE W. TOMSON. REV. HENRY S. BUTLER, D.D.

ELDER CHARLES A. DE WITT. ELDER HORACE CHURCHMAN, ELDER H. C. JENKINS, ELDER WILLIAM RANKIN, ELDER WALTER B HARRIS. ELDER P KENNEDY REEVES. ELDER DAVID R. HULL.

Chairman.

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