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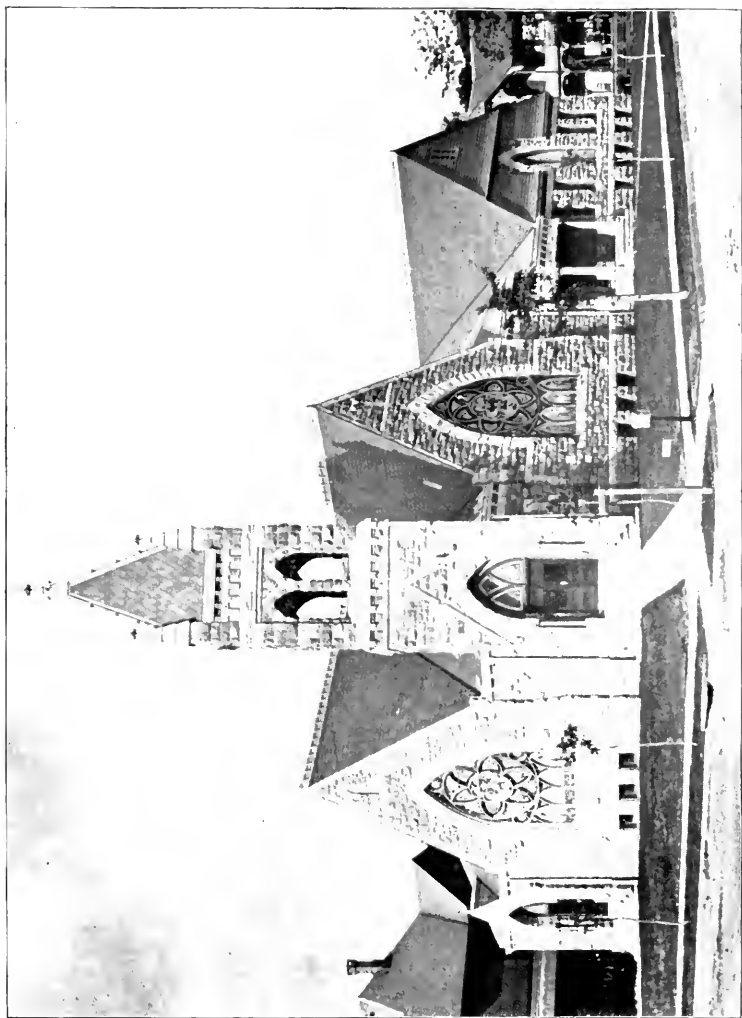


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MINUTES
OF THE
Eightieth Annual Session
OF THE
SYNOD OF NEW JERSEY.

The Synod of New Jersey met in Asbury Park, in the First Church, on Tuesday, October 21st, 1902, at 3:00 o'clock P. M.

After devotional services, the sermon opening Synod Sermon was delivered by the Moderator, Rev. Charles Herr, D.D., from 2 Timothy 1 : 7. The Synod was constituted with prayer by the Moderator.

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

Presbytery of Corisco.

None.

Presbytery of Elizabeth.

MINISTERS—Joseph M. McNulty, D.D., Everard Kempshall, D.D., Ezra F. Mundy, I. Alstyn Blauvelt, D.D., James G. Mason, D.D., Samuel Parry, Harlan G. Mendenhall, D.D., Henry E. Mott, D.D., Eben B. Cobb, D.D., Samuel J. Rowland, D.D., John T. Kerr, George Buekle (2), George F. Greene, D.D., William Hoppaugh, Albert E. Wirth, Nathaniel J. Sproul, Joseph O. McKelvey, Harle W. Hathaway, Lester M. Conrow, Charles B. Condit, Thomas M. Simanton, Benjamin H. Rankin, John T. Reeve, Abner W. Karnell—24.

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Presbytery of Jersey City.

MINISTERS—Philo F. Leavens, D.D., Frank E. Miller, D.D., George R. Garretson, Henry C. Cronin (2), Hugh R. McClelland, Ph.D., Charles Herr, D.D., James H. Owens, A. N. Thompson, D.D., Charles A. Evans (2), C. Rudolph Kuebler, Samuel R. MacClements, Ph.D.—11.

ELDERS—R. C. Haff, Hackensack, First; Francis French, Westminster, Jersey City; J. S. Biddell, Passaic; Albert C. Donaldson (2), Rutherford—4.

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MINISTERS—Alfred H. Dashiell, D.D., Benjamin S. Everitt, D.D., Alex. H. Young, D.D., George Swain, D.D. (2), James J. Coale, Samuel H. Thompson, D.D., Albert G. Bale, Henry R. Hall, Samuel W. Knipe (2), Thomas Tyack, D.D., Ormond W. Wright, Charles Everett, D.D. (2), Frank R. Symmes, William P. Finney, Joseph E. Curry, John G. Lovell, Robert R. Stier (2), Joseph L. Ewing, J. Leroy Taylor, Ph.D. (2), Samuel D. Price, Courtlandt P. Butler, A. F. Gordon MacKay, James H. Dunham, Joseph G. Symmes, Eugene M. Vannote, Frederick E. Stockwell, Joseph H. Crawford, Hugh K. Fulton, Robert J. Dick (2), Henry T. Graham, John W. Purcell (2), Spencer C. Dickson (3), Robert Robinson (2)—33.

ELDERS—George R. Walm, Allentown; David Harvey, Jr., Asbury Park, First; Hugh B. Ely, Beverly; George R. Thomas, Cranbury, First; William Hughes, Cranbury, Second; William T. Smock, Hightstown; John D. Buckalew, Jamesburg; William G. Schaufliker, M.D. (2), Lakewood; Tunis D. Probasco (2), Manalapan; William J. Sickles, Red Bank; John G. Breese, Shrewsbury; George W. Stillwell, Tennent; C. A. Crusier, Atlantic Highlands—13.

Presbytery of Morris and Orange.

MINISTERS—O. H. Perry Deyo, William W. Halloway, D.D., Theo. F. Chambers, Henry K. White, Thomas A. Reeves, James F. Riggs, D.D., John F. Patterson, D.D. (2), Horace D. Sassaman, Arthur J. Brown, D.D., George L. Richmond, Edwin R. Murgatroyd, Stanley White, John M. Thomas, Robert J. Johnston—14.

ELDERS—W. L. Beers, Boonton; Jeremiah Baker, Madison; John Crane, Mendham, First; William DeCamp Johnson, Morristown,

First; F. H. Kingsbury, Orange, Central; Lowry E. B. Craig, Orange, Hillside; M. Hoagland, Rockaway; W. Henry Grant, Summit, Central—8.

Presbytery of Newark.

MINISTERS—V. Leroy Lockwood, D.D., Samuel W. Boardman, D.D., (2), Edward P. Payson, Andrew A. Dinsmore, D.D., David R. Frazer, D.D., Lewis Lampman, D.D., Julius H. Wolff, Davis W. Lusk, J. Garland Hamner, Jr., Henry C. Vanderbeck (2), Nelson B. Chester, Robert S. Inglis (2), Llewellyn S. Fulmer (2), Joseph F. Folsom, A. Edwin Keigwin (2), Sartell Prentice, Jr. (2), Walter B. Greenway, John Hutchison (3)—18.

ELDERS—R. C. Ryerson, Montclair, First; W. S. Douglass, Newark, First; R. S. Grummon, Newark, Third; Joseph W. Clark, Newark, Sixth; F. W. Tompkins, Newark, Fifth Avenue; C. M. Russell (2), Newark, South Park—6.

Presbytery of New Brunswick.

MINISTERS—Amzi L. Armstrong, Samuel M. Studdiford, D.D., Henry C. Cameron, D.D., Daniel R. Foster, William W. Knox, D.D., Walter A. Brooks, D.D., James W. Rogan, D.D., Titus E. Davis, Samuel McLanahan, Henry C. Minton, D.D., Hugh B. MacCauley, George H. Ingram, James B. Clark, William Allen, Jr., Robert I. MacBride, Robert I. Gamon (2), Albert Reid, Maitland V. Bartlett (2), Joseph Howell, Benjamin H. Everitt, Samuel T. Graham, Norris W. Harkness—22.

ELDERS—A. S. Coriell, Bound Brook; I. B. Rowland, Dayton; Jacob R. Wyckoff (2), Dutch Neck; Edward C. Sharpe, Hamilton Square; William H. Gulick, Kingston; Charles A. Skillman, Lambertville; N. H. Furman, Lawrenceville; Samuel S. Lindley, New Brunswick, First; Charles M. Titus, Pennington; Henry E. Hale (2), Princeton, First; Lewis C. Wooley (2), Trenton, First; A. V. D. Stryker, Trenton, Third; Carroll Robbins, Trenton, Fourth; John Rellstab (2), Trenton, Bethany; Joseph H. Wright, Trenton, Prospect Street—15.

Presbytery of Newton.

MINISTERS—William Thomson, Henry S. Butler, D.D., John B. Edmondson, James De Hart Bruen, Elias B. England, D.D., Percy Y. Schelly, Joseph Dixon—7.

ELDERS—D. C. Carter, Blairstown; John D. Simmons, Deckerstown; Robert Kennedy, Hackettstown; M. N. Armstrong M.D., Newton; E. A. Cline, Stewartsville—5.

Presbytery of West Jersey.

MINISTERS—Allen H. Brown, William Bannard, D.D., Alfred P. Botsford, D.D., Frederick R. Brace, D.D., George W. Tomson,

William J. Bridges, Minot S. Morgan (2), William V. Louderbough, J. Calvin Krause, George L. Van Alen, Albert N. Millison, Robert Westly Peach, John McMillan, William W. Casselberry, R. Hilliard Gage, Samuel W. Steckel, Frank S. Brenneman (2)—17.

ELDERS—Frederic H. Bateman, Blackwood; Phœbus W. Lyon, Bridgeton, West; Daniel R. Rosston, Camden, Second; Thomas W. Synnott, Wenonah—4.

CORRESPONDING MEMBERS.

From the Synod of New York, Rev. John Fox, D.D., Rev. J. Wilbur Chapman, D.D., Rev. George J. Miggins, D.D., Rev. A. R. Macoubrey, D.D., Rev. Charles L. Thompson, D.D., Rev. John H. Kerr, D.D.; from the Synod of Pennsylvania, Rev. Albert L. Kelley, Rev. Edward K. Donaldson, Rev. Jeremiah P. E. Kumler, D.D., Rev. John F. Hill, D.D.; from the Synod of Ohio, Rev. J. Leroy Taylor, Ph.D.; from the New Jersey Methodist Episcopal Conference, Rev. Edwin Waters; from the Newark Methodist Episcopal Conference, Rev. W. F. Randolph; from the Congregational Association of Northern New Jersey, Rev. Walter A. Wagner; from the Congregational Association of Brooklyn, Rev. J. M. Lopez-Guillen—15.

The summary is as follows:

<i>Presbyteries.</i>	<i>Ministers.</i>	<i>Elders.</i>	<i>Totals.</i>
Corisco,	None	None	..
Elizabeth,	24	9	33
Jersey City,	11	4	15
Monmouth,	33	13	46
Morris and Orange,	14	8	22
Newark,	18	6	24
New Brunswick,	22	15	37
Newton,	7	5	12
West Jersey,	17	4	21
	146	64	210
Corresponding members,			15
Total,			225

Moderator.

Rev. Walter A. Brooks, D.D., of the Presbytery of New Brunswick, was elected Moderator.

Rev. Julius H. Wolff was chosen to assist the Permanent Clerk temporarily in the discharge of the duties

of the Stated Clerk, devolved upon him by the election of Dr. Brooks as Moderator.

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

Arrangements.

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 morning session.

2. That the order of exercises for this evening's session be as follows: The report of the Committee on Evangelistic Work, followed by the Narrative of the State of Religion; the report of the Committee on Necrology, followed by the observance of the sacrament of the Lord's Supper.

3. That the order of business on Wednesday be as follows: The report of the Committee on Systematic Beneficence at 10 o'clock; the report of the Committee on Synodical Home Missions, as usual, at 10:30; an address by the Rev. J. Wilbur Chapman, D.D., of the General Assembly's Committee on Evangelistic Work, at 11:30; an address by the Rev. John Fox, D.D., for the American Bible Society, at 2:30; the report of the Committee on Historical Materials at 3; the report of the Committee on Foreign Missions at 3:30, followed by an address by the Rev. Arthur J. Brown, D.D.; an address by the Rev. Sartell Prentice, Jr., for the Board of Aid for Colleges, at 4:30; the evening session to be devoted to the report of the Permanent Committee on Home Missions, followed by an address upon Home Missions by the Rev. Charles L. Thompson, D.D., and an address upon Missions for Freedmen, by the Rev. J. P. E. Kumler, D.D., representing the Board.

4. That representatives of the Board of Education, the Assembly's Committee on Temperance and the American Tract Society be heard on Thursday morning.

The Special Committee, to whom was referred a resolution in reference to appointing a committee of Synod to represent the Board of Aid for Colleges, and also the subject of fixing the docket and orders of the day, made its report, which was accepted and its recommendations adopted as follows:

Docket.

The Committee to whom was referred a resolution offered at the last meeting of the Synod, proposing the appointment of a Com-

mittee on the Board of Aid for Colleges and Academies, together with the whole subject of fixing the docket and orders of the day, respectfully report, recommending as follows:

I. That the Synod take no action upon the resolution appointing a Committee on the Board of Aid for Colleges and Academies, for the reason that the work of that Board is already presented to the Presbyteries in their meetings, and that such a Committee as is proposed in the resolution would not be in accord with the usual methods of the Synod.

II. That while it seems to the Committee inexpedient to lay down a fixed order of business to which the Synod shall be invariably conformed, yet, to facilitate the transaction of business, the following order shall commonly be followed, subject to such exchanges as may be made between chairmen of committees in consultation with the Committee of Arrangements:

1. The sessions of the Synod shall begin at 9 A.M., recess to be taken from 12:30 to 2:30 P.M., and from 5 to 7:30 P.M.; devotional exercises to occupy the last half hour of each morning session.

2. Permanent committees shall report in the following order: *Wednesday morning*, Foreign Missions, Synodical Home Missions, Narrative; *Wednesday afternoon*, Historical Materials, Home Missions, Work Among Foreign Populations, Sabbath-school Work, Young People's Societies; *Thursday morning*, Systematic Benevolence, Sabbath Observance, Temperance, Applied Christianity; the report of the Committee on Necrology to be presented usually in connection with the celebration of the Lord's Supper.

3. The Committee of Arrangements, acting under Standing Rule X, shall, as a rule, provide for hearing, in addition to the Boards of Home and Foreign Missions, representatives of two other Boards at each meeting of the Synod, in such order that in successive years all the Boards shall be fairly represented.

Treasurer.

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

Treasurer of
Trustees.

The report of the Treasurer of Trustees of Synod, also the report of the treasurer of a fund for the care of the historical monument in Old Scots Burial Ground, were presented by Rev. Allen H. Brown. The reports were accepted and referred for audit to the Committee on Finance.

The Stated Clerk made his report to Synod as follows :

Stated
Clerk.

The Stated Clerk respectfully reports to the Synod :

1. That the records of the Synod were approved by the General Assembly of 1902.

2. That within ten days after the adjournment of Synod in 1901 notice of complaint to the General Assembly against the action of Synod in the case of a direction of the General Assembly to the Synod to review its action in a certain case and make it consistent, was filed by the Rev. W. N. Richie, D.D., and duly lodged with the Stated Clerk of the General Assembly, and that the minutes of the General Assembly for 1902 contain the record that "it appears from the papers filed in the case that there is not sufficient reason for trial, and it is therefore recommended that the appeal be dismissed," and that this recommendation was adopted by the General Assembly.

The report was accepted and approved.

The Committee to Audit Synodical Home Mission Accounts made its report, recommending the approval of the accounts. The report was accepted and adopted as follows :

Synodical
Home
Mission
Accounts.

The Committee of Synod appointed to audit the accounts of the Treasurer of Synodical Home Missions has examined his accounts for the year beginning October 1st, 1901, and ending September 30th, 1902, compared the disbursements with their respective vouchers, and has found the same correct.

The report of the Special Committee on the Twentieth Century Fund was presented by the Rev. Wm. W. Halloway, D.D. The report was accepted, and is as follows :

Twentieth
Century
Fund.

To report at this late date upon the Twentieth Century Fund is very much like an endeavor to extract perfume from last year's roses. The appointment of your Committee one year ago was somewhat in the nature of an aftermath. Nevertheless, our work, we hope, has not been entirely fruitless. The action of Synod last year was as follows :

Upon motion of Rev. Samuel McLanahan it was resolved (1) That the Synod of New Jersey extends thanks to the Moderator of the General Assembly, Rev. Henry Collin Minton, D.D., for

his presence and for his able and suggestive address upon the 20th century movement; (2) That the Synod appoint a special Committee on this subject to consist of one minister and one elder from each Presbytery. If any Presbytery has such a Committee, its chairman shall be one of that Presbytery's representatives on Synod's Committee.

In accordance with these resolutions, the Moderator appointed a Committee of sixteen ministers and elders, with Rev. Charles T. Haley, D.D., as chairman. Afterwards, Dr. Haley declined the position of chairman, and the second named member of the committee, W. W. Holloway, became its chairman.

The Committee was called together before the holidays, the Rev. Hugh B. MacCauley was elected Secretary, and a plan adopted for carrying out the will of Synod.

As this was the second year of the movement, it was known that many churches had already taken action. But it was thought wise to present the matter to every pastor and session. A circular letter was prepared and sent out calling attention to the action of the Assembly in continuing the effort for another year to April, 1902, as also to Synod's action. This was sent to every church with an appeal for gifts to the objects designated by the Assembly. A special emphasis was laid upon the removal of church debts as a necessary preliminary to larger gifts to our Boards. Churches were also urged to provide liberally for our Boards, institutions and other beneficent agencies.

A postal card was sent with this circular which was to be returned to the chairman. Answers to the following questions were desired: What has your church given to the Twentieth Century Fund since April 1st, 1901, to wit—How much for church debt? How much as special for the Boards? How much for other special objects that may properly be included in the Fund?

Promptness in replying was asked so that the results might be published for the encouragement of the churches, and as fast as received these results were tabulated and sent by the chairman to the "Evangelist" in New York and to the "Presbyterian" and "Journal" in Philadelphia. About one hundred replies were sent in, some reporting that they had taken action previous to April, 1901, a few saying that they could do nothing, but eighty churches gave good account. The largest number reported as having been at work upon the church debt, \$97,440.15 being given to this object. For church improvements \$90,316 were given; for the Boards, \$9,122.75; for educational institutions, \$4,895; for new churches, \$10,416; miscellaneous, \$21,749, or a total of \$223,928.90.

Some questions arose as to what was proper to include in the reports. If we should include special sums given during the time designated, but given apart from any connection with the Twentieth Century movement, the total would be very much increased. Probably, too, not every church reported to the Committee even

of those who had something to report. We must remember, further, that these reports include only what was done during the second year of the movement. By reference to the report of General Assembly's Committee, it will be seen that New Jersey has done nobly and far in excess of anything in this report, a total, indeed, of \$460,942.98. In the gifts to the Boards only two Synods surpass us, New York and Pennsylvania. The same is true of gifts to home objects, while in miscellaneous gifts we stand fourth, and only in gifts to institutions lag somewhat behind.

But this is going beyond the work of your Committee. It shows, however, the true state of the case. We have endeavored to discharge the duty assigned to us with earnestness and faithfulness, though recognizing the obstacles in the way owing to the things we have mentioned. We hope that some of the grand total was due to interest aroused and action quickened by us. To all who have co-operated with us in this endeavor to bring the tithes in the store-house we would record our thanks. And as the Twentieth Century movement was meant as an advance along the lines of evangelism as well as finance, we earnestly pray that what has been accomplished in the latter may lead to larger and richer blessing in the former sphere of church life.

The report of the Committee on Young People's Societies was made the order of the day for 9:30 o'clock to-morrow morning.

Synod took recess until 7:30 o'clock P. M.

TUESDAY, 7:30 P. M.

Synod met and resumed business.

The Moderator appointed as Vice-Moderator Rev. Hugh B. MacCauley, and announced the following Standing Committees:

I—BILLS AND OVERTURES.

Ministers—Charles Herr, D.D., Alexander H. Young, D.D.,
Stanley White, Lewis Lampman, D.D. *Committees.*

Elders—Robert Kennedy, David R. Rosston, A. S. Coriell.

II—JUDICIAL BUSINESS.

Ministers—Henry Elliott Mott, D.D., William W. Knox, D.D.,
Davis W. Lusk, John M. Thomas.

Elders—John G. Breese, Francis French, Phœbus W. Lyon.

III—MINUTES OF THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY.

Ministers—Nathaniel J. Sproul, R. Hilliard Gage.

Elder—Jeremiah Baker.

IV—NARRATIVE FOR 1903.

Ministers—Joseph F. Folsom, William W. Casselberry.

Elder—J. D. Buckalew.

V—FINANCE.

Ministers—Samuel D. Price, Edwin R. Murgatroyd.

Elders—Joseph H. Wright, William Edgar.

VI—SYNODICAL HOME MISSION ACCOUNTS, 1903.

Minister—James A. Ferguson, D.D.

Elder—William S. Douglass.

VII—RECORDS OF PRESBYTERIES.

Corisco—Rev. William Hoppaugh, Rev. George R. Garretson,
Elder Hugh B. Ely.

Elizabeth—Rev. Henry Kirke White, Rev. Edward P. Payson,
Elder M. N. Armstrong, M. D.

Jersey City—Rev. William V. Louderbough, Rev. Samuel Parry,
Elder George R. Waln.

Monmouth—Rev. James H. Owens, Rev. Horace D. Sassaman,
Elder Robert S. Grummon.

Morris and Orange—Rev. James W. Rogan, D.D., Rev. E. B.
England, D.D., Elder Frederick H. Bateman.

Newark—Rev. George F. Greene, D.D., Rev. Hugh R. McClelland,
Ph.D., Elder William T. Smock.

New Brunswick—Rev. J. Garland Hamner, Jr., Rev. Joseph
Dixon, Elder James T. Pierson.

Newton—Rev. James F. Riggs, D.D., Rev. Robert Westly Peach,
Elder Charles A. Skillman.

West Jersey—Rev. William Thomson, Rev. Frank R. Symmes, Elder E. S. Atwater.

The Moderator also announced the Committee to Revise the List of Standing Committees as follows:

Rev. Thomas Tyack, D.D.; Elder N. H. Furman.

After devotional exercises, led by the Vice-Moderator, Rev. Hugh B. MacCauley, the report of the Special Committee on Evangelistic Work was presented by the Rev. Harlan G. Mendenhall, D.D. The report was accepted and the consideration of it was made the order of the day, in connection with the address of Dr. Chapman, at 11:30 A. M. to-morrow.

Evangelistic
Work.

Rev. C. Rudolph Kuebler presented the report of the Committee on Narrative, and the report was approved.

Narrative.

The Necrological Report, prepared by Rev. A. Edwin Keigwin, was read by the Rev. Joseph F. Folsom, and at its close was accepted.

Necrology.

At the close of this report the sacrament of the Lord's Supper was administered. The services were conducted by the retiring Moderator, who was assisted by Rev. Arthur J. Brown, D.D., and Rev. James F. Riggs, D.D., and the following Ruling Elders: David Harvey, Jr., William W. Willett, Joseph H. Wright, Daniel R. Rosston, James S. Biddell, George W. Stillwell, Joseph W. Clark, Robert Kennedy, F. W. Tompkins, E. A. Cline, Phœbus W. Lyon, A. S. Coriell.

Lord's
Supper.

In connection with the service an offering amounting to \$50.00 was made for the Board of Ministerial Relief.

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

WEDNESDAY, October 22d, 9:00 A. M.

The Synod met and, after prayer, resumed business.

Minutes.

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

Bills and
Overtures.

The Committee on Bills and Overtures made a report recommending:

1. That the report of the Woman's Synodical Society for Foreign Missions be referred to the Permanent Committee on Foreign Missions, and that the report of the Woman's Synodical Society for Home Missions be referred to the Permanent Committee on Home Missions.

2. That an extract from the minutes of the Presbytery of Monmouth adopted September 23d, 1902, be referred to the Permanent Committee on Synodical Home Missions.

3. That a communication from the Woman's Synodical Temperance Association of the Synod of Pennsylvania be referred to the Permanent Committee on Temperance.

4. That a communication from Guthrie, O. T., in reference to a plan of Systematic Beneficence be referred to the Permanent Committee on Systematic Beneficence.

5. That a communication in reference to requesting the government to establish, in connection with the Department of Justice, a laboratory for the study of the criminal, pauper and defective classes be referred to the Permanent Committee on Applied Christianity.

6. That a communication from the Stated Clerk of the General Assembly in reference to vacancy and supply be referred to a special Committee of three to be appointed by the Moderator.

7. That no action be taken upon a communication from the Rev. David G. Wylie, D.D., in reference to commending the American Revised Bible to the use of the members of our churches.

The report was received and its recommendations as above were adopted.

Law of Trust-
tees.

The report of the Special Committee on the Law of Trustees was presented by the Rev. J. DeHart Bruen. The report was accepted and final action thereon postponed for the present.

The report of the Special Committee on a Delegated Synod was presented by the Rev. David R. Frazer, D.D. The report was accepted and its recommendations were adopted as follows :

Delegated
Synod.

The Committee to which was referred the question of making Synod a delegated body would respectfully report :

That a full discussion of the subject disclosed the fact that Synod has personal and social, as well as ecclesiastical, functions and affiliations. Your Committee, not knowing the preferences of our brethren, found it difficult to reach a definite conclusion ; hence unanimously voted

(I) To present a report of progress ; and

(II) To recommend :

1. That the Committee be continued, its final report to be presented at the next meeting of Synod.

2. That Synod request the several Presbyteries to take this matter into serious consideration, and to make their wishes known to the Chairman of the Committee as soon as may be convenient after the stated spring meeting of the Presbytery in 1903.

The order of the day having arrived, the report of the Permanent Committee on Young People's Societies was presented by the Rev. Hugh B. MacCauley. The report was accepted and its recommendations were adopted as follows :

Young
People's
Societies.

1. That we ask all our societies, subject to the advice of Session, to make a Thanksgiving offering of at least three dollars from each society to the work of Synodical Home Missions.

2. That where the Young People's Society is not flourishing, we advise pastors and Sessions to study very carefully the whole situation and to confer with the young people as to what ought to be done, and with their Presbyterial Committee, which will be very willing to give aid.

3. That all our Presbyterial Committees be requested to organize more thoroughly their work, with a view to reaching full support for their assigned missionaries.

4. That we especially call attention of Synod to the work among the young men of our congregations as being to-day a very pressing thing, and commend to favorable notice the Brotherhood of Andrew and Philip as a successful agency in this field.

5. That we call the attention of all the members of our societies to the need of individual work on their part, in behalf of their young friends who are not members of the society, nor even of

the church, and urge them to the precious duty of personal effort for the unsaved.

Address.

In connection with the report, Synod listened to an address by the Rev. J. Garland Hamner, Jr., on the Brotherhood of Andrew and Philip.

Vacancy and Supply.

The Moderator announced the Special Committee to consider the paper on Vacancy and Supply as follows: Rev. Alex. H. Young, D.D., Rev. Stanley White and Elder Charles A. Skillman.

Systematic Beneficence.

The report of the Permanent Committee on Systematic Beneficence, prepared by the Rev. William P. Finney, was read by the Rev. George H. Ingram. The report was accepted and its recommendations were adopted as follows:

1. That we express our sorrow at the loss by death of Rev. Thomas S. Long, who for seven years was the honored Chairman of this Committee, and who rendered earnest and devoted service in the cause which it represents.

2. That while rejoicing at the extent to which our churches have abounded in the grace of Christian beneficence during the year, we still "count not that we have apprehended," but with increasing numbers and ever-widening doors of opportunity summon ourselves to a yet more generous and cheerful serving of the Master with our substance.

3. That pastors and Sessions be urged to set before their churches the ideal so frequently upheld by the General Assembly of "an offering every year, for every Board, from every church and from every member in the church," and to labor, both by precept and example, for the realization of this high aim.

Synodical Home Missions.

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

Treasurer.

The report of the Treasurer of Synodical Home Missions was also presented by Mr. William P. Stevenson and was received.

The Committee offered the following resolutions which were adopted, the second of them by a rising vote :

1. That certain resolutions upon this work having been referred by the last Synod to this Committee, and the Committee having carefully considered them, and also taken the advice of the various Presbyterial Committees, no further action be taken.

2. That in view of the retirement of the Rev. Dr. Alfred H. Dashiell from the Permanent Committee on Synodical Home Missions, Synod hereby expresses its high appreciation of his services as a member of that Committee from its organization, and of his long previous activity in mission work within our bounds.

3. That Synod, recognizing the need and opportunity for more aggressive work than has been possible hitherto, directs that \$1,500 of the balance now in the treasury be held as a special fund for new work, to be appropriated by this Committee upon applications from the Committees having charge of this work in the various Presbyteries.

4. That Presbyteries be asked to contribute this year upon the basis of church membership as reported in the Minutes of the Assembly for the year 1902, so that

From the Presbytery of Elizabeth be asked, at the rate of 30 cents per member, the sum of	\$2,885 40
From the Presbytery of Jersey City be asked, at the rate of 26 cents per member, the sum of	2,011 36
From the Presbytery of Monmouth be asked, at the rate of 26 cents per member, the sum of	1,687 66
From the Presbytery of Morris and Orange be asked, at the rate of 30 cents per member, the sum of...	3,140 70
From the Presbytery of Newark be asked, at the rate of 27 cents per member, the sum of	3,372 84
From the Presbytery of New Brunswick be asked, at the rate of 30 cents per member, the sum of	2,741 10
From the Presbytery of Newton be asked, at the rate of 22 cents per member, the sum of	1,228 92
From the Presbytery of West Jersey be asked, at the rate of 26 cents per member, the sum of.....	2,122 64
Total,	<hr/> \$19,190 62

5. That appropriations be made as follows:

For administration expenses,	\$500 00
To the Presbytery of Elizabeth,	1,500 00
To the Presbytery of Jersey City,	2,600 00
To the Presbytery of Monmouth,	4,000 00
To the Presbytery of Morris and Orange,.....	1,600 00

To the Presbytery of Newark,	2,000 00
To the Presbytery of New Brunswick,	1,300 00
To the Presbytery of Newton,	1,100 00
To the Presbytery of West Jersey,	4,200 00
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Total,	\$18,800 00

6. That in view of the larger work upon which we are now entering, Synod commends this work to the increasing liberality of churches and individuals.

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

8. That in view of the large amount of home mission work done in New Jersey directly by the individual churches and Presbyteries, which now receives no recognition from Synod, the Permanent Committee on Synodical Home Missions be authorized to solicit reports in order to the incorporating of such material in an appendix to its report.

Address, Dr.
Chapman.

The order of the day having arrived, the Synod engaged in devotional services for an hour, led by the Rev. Lewis Lampman, D.D. During these services the Synod was addressed by the Rev. J. Wilbur Chapman, D.D., of the General Assembly's Committee on Evangelistic Work.

Synod took a recess until 2:30 o'clock P. M.

WEDNESDAY, 2:30 P. M.

Synod re-assembled and proceeded to business.

American
Bible Society.

Rev. John Fox, D.D., one of the Secretaries of the American Bible Society, and Rev. J. N. Lopez-Guillen, a colporteur in the service of the Society in Cuba, addressed the Synod on behalf of the work of the Society.

Historical
Materials.

The report of the Permanent Committee on Historical Materials, prepared by the Rev. Allen H. Brown, was

read by the Rev. Hugh B. MacCauley. The report was accepted and its recommendations were adopted as follows:

1. *Resolved*, That the Synod commends to the liberality of all who are able to contribute, the effort to erect a monument commemorative of the first church in the province of West Jersey which was recognized by the original Presbytery in 1708.

2. *Resolved*, To renew the recommendation of last year in regard to the gathering of the epitaphs on the tombs of deceased Presbyterian ministers and their wives who have been buried within the territory of the Synod.

The report of the Special Committee on the Charter of 1749, Old Tennent Church, was presented by the Rev. Hugh B. MacCauley. The report was accepted and its recommendations adopted as follows:

Charter of 1749.

1. That Synod approves the action of the Special Committee on the Old Tennent Charter, and does hereby enter into the agreement proposed by the officers of the Old Tennent Church for the transfer of the charter to the custody of Synod,* and declares the said agreement to be now in effect; and also, in accordance with the request of the said officers, does authorize the Stated Clerk to prepare the agreement in legal form, the same to be signed by the Rev. Allen H. Brown, Chairman of the Permanent Committee on Historical Materials, and attested by the Stated Clerk, and to forward one copy of the same to the officers of the Old Tennent Church and to deposit the other in the custody of the Stated Clerk of Synod.

2. That the charter be turned over at an early date to Synod's Custodians of Historical Material for preservation, in accordance with the terms of the agreement.

3. That the bill of the Committee be paid by the Treasurer of Synod, and that the Permanent Committee on Historical Materials be authorized to print a few facsimile copies of the charter, for distribution at their discretion, and also to arrange so that the Stated Clerk may have copies to sell, upon application to him, at one dollar each, not including the cost of expressage.

4. That this report be printed in full in the Appendix to the Minutes of Synod, for preservation and reference, following the report of the Permanent Committee on Historical Materials.

* See report of the Committee in the Appendix.

The following resolution was unanimously adopted:

Resolved, That the thanks of the Synod be given to Rev. Hugh B. MacCauley for his diligent and successful efforts in the matter of the Old Charter of the Presbyterian Church of Monmouth County.

Custodians.

The report of the Custodians of Historical Material was presented by the Stated Clerk. The report was received, approved and ordered to be printed in the appendix to the minutes of Synod.

The thanks of Synod were extended to the Presbytery of Newark for the transfer to Synod of copies of the records of the Synod of New York and New Jersey (N.S.), and to the Rev. David R. Frazer, D.D., for valuable assistance rendered to the Custodians.

Nassau Hall
Tablet.

The report of the Special Committee on the Nassau Hall Tablet, prepared by the Rev. John DeWitt, D.D., was read by the Stated Clerk. The report was received and its recommendations were adopted as follows:

To the Synod of New Jersey:

DEAR BROTHERS—I have the honor to report that in pursuance of your action, the Trustees of Princeton University appointed a committee on the subject of a tablet to be placed on Nassau Hall commemorating the action of members of the Presbyterian Church in promoting the planting of the College of New Jersey. The tablet was unveiled in the presence of the General Assembly of the Presbyterian Church, May 24th, 1902. The Moderator of the General Assembly, the President of the University and the Chairman of the Committee of the Synod of New Jersey took part in the services. The tablet was unveiled by the Hon. Bayard Henry, Chairman of the Committee of the Trustees of Princeton University.

I propose to the Synod the following resolution:

Resolved, That the thanks of the Synod of New Jersey are hereby tendered to the Rev. Allen H. Brown, a member of this Synod, and to the Hon. Bayard Henry, of Philadelphia, for the labors which have resulted in the placing on Nassau Hall of the memorial tablet unveiled May 24th, 1902.

I request that the committee be discharged.

Respectfully yours,

JOHN DEWITT, *Chairman.*

Owing to the absence of the Recording Clerk from the remaining sessions of Synod, Rev. Harle W. Hathaway was chosen to act in his place temporarily.

The report of the Permanent Committee on Foreign Missions was presented by the Rev. John F. Patterson, D.D. The report was received and its recommendations were adopted as follows :

Foreign Missions.

1. That we urge Presbyterial Committees and pastors to use their utmost endeavor to secure an offering for this cause from every church, and, as far as possible, to aim at an increase in the contributions.

2. That we commend to our churches the helpful leaflets published by our Board, the "Assembly Herald," and the "Woman's Work for Woman."

3. That we urge our pastors and elders especially to procure and read the reports prepared by Rev. Dr. Arthur J. Brown.

4. That we urge our churches to observe the Monthly Concert of Prayer and to magnify its importance.

5. That we cordially endorse the plan of the Board to increase the interest of churches and especially of wealthy individuals in this cause, and to secure from them enlarged contributions through the appointed agent of the forward movement, Mr. David McConaughy.

6. That we rejoice in the noble work of the consecrated women of our churches, and assure them of our hearty sympathy and good will.

7. That the report of the Woman's Board, referred to this Committee and read with interest, be approved and the usual number of copies be provided at the Synod's expense.

In connection with the report Synod listened to addresses on Foreign Missions by Rev. Arthur J. Brown, D.D., one of the Secretaries of the Board, and by Rev. John F. Patterson, D.D.

Addresses.

The order of the day having arrived, Rev. Sartell Prentice, Jr., addressed Synod on behalf of the Board of Aid for Colleges and Academies.

Aid for Colleges.

The following resolution on the report of the Special Committee on the Law Governing Trustees and the

Law of Trustees.

Management of the Temporal Affairs of Congregations was presented and adopted:

Resolved, That the report be accepted and printed in the Appendix to the Minutes, for the information of Synod, and that final action be deferred until the next meeting of Synod, the Committee to be continued, to have care of the report, and members having suggestions to make to send them in writing to the Committee.

After an extension of the time of the session of Synod for ten minutes, Synod took a recess until 7:30 P. M.

WEDNESDAY, 7:30 P. M.

Synod re-assembled and resumed business.

After devotional exercises, led by the Moderator, the report of the Permanent Committee on Home Missions was presented by the Rev. Samuel McLanahan. The report was received and its recommendations were adopted as follows:

1. That a distinct Standing Committee on the work of the Home Mission Board be appointed in every Presbytery which does not already have such Committee.
2. That the Synod's Permanent Committee on the Home Mission Board be composed of the chairmen of the similar Presbyterial Committees; and that the chairmanship of Synod's Committee pass annually in succession to its members in the alphabetical order of the Presbyteries represented.
3. That the Synod hereby expresses its approval and high appreciation of the work of the Woman's Societies as presented in the annual report of the Synodical Society made to this Synod.
4. That greater emphasis should be placed by Presbyteries and Sessions upon contributions to the Board by the churches for the specific work of evangelization; and that the Home Mission Committees be charged to correspond with delinquent churches.
5. That each Session be advised to adopt some subscription plan for this cause by which each member of the congregation may be reached.
6. That Synod commends the observance of a monthly missionary meeting for the whole church, which may well take the

hour of the Sunday evening or mid-week service, and which shall include Home Missionary topics.

7. That Synod commends to the churches the plan of undertaking to support specific Home Mission work as a means whereby missionary interest and liberality may be developed.

Synod then listened to addresses by the Rev. Charles L. Thompson, D. D., Secretary of the Board, on Home Missions, and by the Rev. J. P. E. Kumlér, D.D., on behalf of the Board of Freedmen. Addresses.

The records of the following Presbyteries were approved: Corisco, Elizabeth, Jersey City, Monmouth, Morris and Orange, Newark, New Brunswick, Newton and West Jersey. Presbyterial
Records.

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

THURSDAY, October 23d, 1902, 9:00 A. M.

Synod met and, after prayer, resumed business.

The minutes of Wednesday's sessions were read and approved. Minutes.

The Permanent Committee on Synodical Home Missions made a supplemental report. The report was received and its recommendation was adopted as follows: Synodical
Home
Missions.

A paper having been put into the hands of your Committee from the Committee on Bills and Overtures, with reference to a proposition submitted to many of the Presbyteries of the State, by the Presbytery of Buffalo, that the General Assembly be asked to make a change in the printing of the tabular statistics of the churches in the official minutes, so that the column designated Home Missions "be hereafter a double or divided column, showing on the one side gifts for Home Missions distributed under the direction of the national or Assembly agencies, and on the

other side gifts expended under the immediate direction of Synodical or Presbyterial agencies, and that the column designated Synodical Aid, as a cause distinct from Home Missions, be hereafter discontinued." your Committee would recommend that no action be taken in the matter.

Trustees.

The annual report of the Trustees of Synod was read by the Rev. Eben B. Cobb, D.D., was accepted, and is as follows :

The Trustees of the Synod of New Jersey have only one or two items of interest to report.

The money gathered by the various Presbyteries for the care of the monument recently erected in the Old Scots Burying Ground, in the Presbytery of Monmouth, and which money, now amounting to a little over nine hundred dollars, was entrusted to the Board of Trustees for the purpose designated, has been invested in a bond and mortgage, bearing five per cent. interest, on property in Trenton, N. J.

An agreement has been legally executed between the Trustees of the First Presbyterian Church of the County of Monmouth and the Trustees of the Synod of New Jersey whereby the Trustees of Synod are given authority, under clearly-defined conditions, to make such improvements upon the property of the Old Scots Burying Ground as its suitable care may from time to time necessitate.

The various other funds in the care of the Trustees have been carefully administered, as will appear from the report of the Treasurer of the Board of Trustees already presented to Synod and to be printed in the official minutes.

And in every way the Trustees believe that the work committed to them is in a prosperous condition.

Evangelistic
Work.

The report of the Committee on Evangelistic Work was taken up for consideration and its recommendations were adopted as follows :

Synod's Committee on Evangelistic Work report that two meetings of the Committee were held, the first in the Westminster Church, Elizabeth, and the other in the Fourth Church, of Trenton. Rev. John C. Chapman, D.D., was chosen Chairman, and Rev. Harlan G. Mendenhall, Secretary; Rev. Samuel McLanahan was selected to prepare reports on evangelistic work in our Synod for the religious press.

A Synodical letter was prepared and forwarded to all our churches.

From our respective Presbyteries we have the following reports:

Elizabeth—An all-day service for prayer and conference was held in the Westminster Church, Elizabeth. Members of the Presbytery spoke on themes bearing especially on revivals. The meetings were also addressed by Rev. Drs. Chapman and Carson. The Committee on Evangelistic Work has been continued.

Monmouth—In November a conference of ministers and elders, apart from Presbyterian functions, was held at Hightstown, for the sole purpose of quickening and deepening, if possible, the spiritual lives of the members, and this with a definite view to better service in winning the unchurched and unsaved. Methods of conducting meetings and doing individual work were discussed. The conference was helpful to those who attended. A few churches had special revival services, but we have to record the sad fact that the accessions were below those of last year.

Morris and Orange—This Presbytery has held a special meeting for conference and prayer for the past ten or twelve years, and will again have a similar service next month. These are meetings of great spiritual power, and we are anticipating much help from this service this fall. There was but one of our churches that reported any special revival this past year, and that was one of our smaller organizations, viz.: Chester. Special meetings were held in a number of other churches, but with no noticeable result.

The Evangelistic Committee plans to send a circular letter to all the pastors, asking each whether he will be able to go to some neighboring church sometime during the fall or winter and assist the pastor; or whether he would desire similar help. It is also hoped to engage an evangelist to labor among the weak churches.

Newark—Has done nothing in the way of evangelistic work. The Committee suggested a "retreat," but the Presbytery did not agree to the recommendation.

New Brunswick—A meeting for prayer and conference was held for ministers and elders, October, 1901, and last February a popular conference, which latter was attended by about 300 persons. There was no large ingathering in any of the churches, except the Fifth of Trenton. Decision Day worked well in a few churches. A meeting for prayer and conference will be held next Monday, the 27th. The Evangelistic Committee in this Presbytery is continued.

Newton—This Presbytery has continued its Evangelistic Committee, and it is in hearty accord with the movement. There has been nothing accomplished in the field this fall, but one evening meeting in evangelistic interests during the session of Presbytery was held.

West Jersey—An afternoon session of Presbytery at its fall meeting was held with this object before it. A special meeting was held earlier in the year for conference and prayer. The Pres-

byterial Committee is continued. A month of special services was held with marked results in the Second Church of Camden.

We offer the following resolutions:

1. That we approve the recommendation of the General Assembly's Committee on Evangelistic Work which designates the week beginning Sunday, November 2d, as Personal Effort Week; and Sunday, November 9th, as Decision Day, in our churches, Sunday schools and Young People's Societies, and we urge our pastors to call the attention of their Sessions to these suggestions. If the time mentioned be inexpedient, then let the spirit of the recommendation be carried out at some future time.

2. That the Committee on Synodical Home Missions be asked to consider the advisability of holding special services among our weaker churches and at points where no religious services are now held.

3. That if practicable each Presbytery hold, this fall or winter, a special meeting for prayer and conference.

4. That in accordance with the suggestion of the General Assembly, Synod appoint a Committee on Evangelistic Work to serve for the present year, the Committee to be composed of the chairmen of Presbyterial Committees on Evangelistic Work.

Education.

Rev. Joseph L. Ewing addressed Synod on behalf of the Board of Education.

Temperance.

The report of the Permanent Committee on Temperance was presented by the Rev. J. DeHart Bruen. The report was received and its recommendations were adopted as follows:

1. That this Synod respectfully calls the attention of the President of the United States to the grave evils connected with the selling of liquors to uncivilized peoples, especially in the western Pacific, and requests that in line with the late President McKinley's message of December 3d, 1900, he recommend to Congress the adoption of drastic measures to prevent this traffic.

2. That we believe that the good of humanity demands the extension of the principle of prohibition, adopted by treaty in regard to the Congo Free State, to all such races, so that contact with Christian civilization shall not involve the degradation or the destruction of the uncivilized.

3. That while we cannot hope as yet to see this traffic banished from our State, we can and do insist that the officers and members of our churches should not countenance it by signing applications for license, or renting premises for such purposes, or otherwise involving the name of our church and the cause of

Christ with a traffic which is directly responsible for a large proportion of the degradation and crime of our land.

4. That we call attention to the temperance literature published under the authority of our General Assembly, and urge its liberal use by our churches and a correspondingly liberal financial support of the General Assembly's Temperance Committee.

In connection with this report Synod was addressed Address. by the Rev. John F. Hill, D.D., Secretary of General Assembly's Permanent Committee on Temperance.

The following resolution, offered by the Rev. Samuel McLanahan, was adopted:

Resolved, That the Stated Clerk be directed to communicate the first and second resolutions of the report of the Permanent Committee on Temperance to the President of the United States and to the Senators and Congressmen of New Jersey.

Rev. John H. Kerr, D.D., Publishing Secretary of the American Tract Society. American Tract Society, addressed Synod upon the work of that Society.

At the conclusion of the address the following resolution, offered by the Rev. A. Edwin Keigwin, was adopted:

In response to the presentation of the work of the American Tract Society by its Publishing Secretary, and in harmony with the action of the General Assembly of 1902.

Resolved, That the Synod hereby recognizes the American Tract Society as a most invaluable factor in the work of extending the kingdom of our Lord at home and abroad, and urges that each of its churches, so far as possible, make an annual offering for its support, and that each Presbytery appoint a Standing Committee on its work.

The Committee on the Minutes of the General Assembly Minutes of Assembly. reported as follows:

The Committee on the Minutes of the General Assembly report that they have examined them, and would call the attention of Synod to the fact that the Assembly has acted upon the overture from our Synod upon Young People's Societies, by appointing a

Committee of four ministers and three elders to consider "a plan whereby, without interfering with the inter-denominational fellowships now enjoyed by them, the young people of the churches may have the results of their work regularly presented to the Assembly and receive the benefits of the guidance and inspiration of the church as represented in the Assembly, the Committee to report to the Assembly of 1903." Minutes, pp. 148, 170.

The report was accepted.

Sabbath-school
Work.

The order of the day having arrived, the report of the Permanent Committee on Sabbath-school Work was presented by the Rev. Henry C. Cronin. The report was received and its recommendations were adopted as follows:

1. That Synod re-affirms the recommendation that Normal and Home Department classes be established in all our schools as far as possible, in order that parents may themselves receive the aid to Christian living that comes from systematic study of the Word of God, and be led to appreciate the importance of the Sabbath-school in the training of their children for Christ and the Church; and that our older scholars may receive that training which shall fit them to become themselves teachers of the Word in our Sabbath-schools.

2. That all our Sabbath-schools be urged to observe "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 to the Sabbath-school Missionary Work of the Board.

3. That all our pastors and church Sessions be urged to bring this work before their churches so as to secure a yearly contribution to it.

4. That the attention of pastors and superintendents be specially directed to the third recommendation of the last General Assembly, viz.: "That churches and Sabbath-schools have their attention called again to the especial excellence of the Hymnals, the Sunday-school periodicals and other publications of the Board."

Sabbath
Observance.

The report of the Permanent Committee on Sabbath Observance was presented by the Rev. Samuel D. Price. The report was received and its recommendations were adopted as follows:

1. That in accordance with the General Assembly Resolution No. 4, which "enjoins," we urge "all ministers, officers and members of our churches, also all members of our Young People's Societies and Sabbath-schools, to exercise special care and faithfulness for the preservation, both by precept and example, of the sacred character of the Christian Sabbath."

2. That we call the attention of our ministers to the recommendation of the General Assembly, that during the month of April a sermon be preached on Sabbath Observance, and that in the way be clear an offering be made for the work of the American Sabbath Union, to be sent to Col. A. S. Bacon, 37 Liberty street, New York City.

3. That again we most heartily commend and warmly endorse the work of the American Sabbath Union and the Woman's National Sabbath Alliance in their faithful efforts to preserve in its purity the Christian Sabbath.

4. That the chairman of the Committee on Sabbath Observance in each Presbytery of this Synod be directed to send an abstract of his latest report to the chairman of Synod's Committee on Sabbath Observance at least ten days before the meeting of Synod.

The report of the Special Committee to consider a communication from the Stated Clerk of the General Assembly in reference to Vacancy and Supply was presented by the Rev. Stanley White. The report was received and its recommendation was adopted as follows:

Vacancy and
Supply.

The Special Committee to which was referred the plan of vacancy and supply sent down by the General Assembly of 1901 for adoption would report as follows:

The recommendations, so far as they relate to Synod, have to do with (1) the appointment of a Permanent Committee on Vacancy and Supply composed of the chairmen of similar committees in the various Presbyteries, which shall report annually to the Synod on the work, to unify the work within Synod's bounds and to bring about better relations of supply and demand.

2. The appointment in Synod of a Secretary on Vacancy and Supply to superintend the work within its bounds.

3. To report annually to the General Assembly on the work of Vacancy and Supply.

The Committee find, upon consulting the minutes of the General Assembly of 1902, that the Special Committee of that body appointed to review this whole matter reported that the subject raised so many questions as to the Constitutional rights of Presbyteries, and revealed so great difference in opinions as to

methods, that it seemed wise that no action be taken further than the continuance of the Special Committee to make a report to the Assembly of 1903.

Considering this fact, your Committee recommends that Synod take no action in the matter at this time.

Applied
Christianity.

The Committee on Applied Christianity reported, recommending that no action be taken in reference to the communication concerning the establishment by the government in connection with the Department of Justice of a laboratory for the study of the criminal, pauper and defective classes. The report was received and its recommendations was adopted.

Finance.

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

The report of the Treasurer of Synod has been examined and compared with the vouchers and the deposit in the bank on October 1st, and the same is herewith approved.

We recommend that Synod name the Union Trust Company of Elizabeth as the place for keeping the funds, instead of the First National Bank, Elizabeth, which has been merged into the Union Trust Company.

In view of the yearly expense of Synod not being equaled by the yearly receipts, the Committee would recommend that the following amounts be asked for from the several Presbyteries:

From Elizabeth, Morris and Orange, Newark, and New Brunswick,	\$75 00
From Jersey City and West Jersey,	60 00
From Monmouth and Newton,	55 00

And that the Stated Clerk be directed to notify the Treasurers of the Presbyteries of the changes in the apportionment.

We have also examined the reports of Allen H. Brown, Treasurer of Trustees of Synod, have compared the same with the vouchers and deposit books, and have found the same to be correct.

Address.

It was resolved to allow H. E. Baright, M.D., to address the Synod for five minutes on behalf of the organization known as "The World's Morning Watch."

Lakewood was chosen as the place of the next meeting of Synod. Next place
of meeting.

The report of the Committee on Revising the List of the Permanent Committees was presented. The report was accepted and its recommendations were adopted as follows (See the list of Committees printed in the appendix) : Committees.

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

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

A vote of thanks was extended to the First Church, Asbury Park, for its hospitality. Thanks.

The report of the Permanent Clerk on Attendance and Leave of Absence was ordered to be printed without reading, and is as follows :

There have been in attendance 146 ministers, 64 ruling elders and 15 corresponding members ; in all, 225. Attendance.

The following have been excused for absence :

FROM THE PRESENT MEETING.

Jersey City—Ministers Chas. D. Shaw, D.D., Edwin A. Bulkley, D.D.

Monmouth—Ministers Edw. B. Hodge, D.D., Horace G. Hinsdale, D.D., John H. Bradley, D.D.

Morris and Orange—Ministers Albert Erdman, D.D., Baker Smith, D.D.

Newark—Minister Lyman W. Allen, D.D.

New Brunswick—Ministers Henry A. MacKubbin, John Dixon, D.D., John DeWitt, D.D.

Newton—Minister E. Clarke Cline.

West Jersey—Ministers Sylvester W. Beach, Heber H. Beadle.

AFTER TUESDAY EVENING.

Monmouth—Minister James J. Coale.

AFTER WEDNESDAY MORNING.

Elizabeth—Ministers Albert E. Wirth, Geo. F. Greene, D.D., Ezra F. Mundy, Elder Geo. A. Bush.

Jersey City—Ministers Charles Herr, D.D., Philo F. Leavens, D.D.

Monmouth—Elder Wm. G. Schauffler, M.D.

New Brunswick—Minister William W. Knox, D.D.

AFTER WEDNESDAY AFTERNOON.

Elizabeth—Minister John T. Kerr, Elder E. S. Atwater.

Jersey City—Minister Henry C. Cronin.

Monmouth—Ministers F. E. Stockwell, J. W. Purcell, R. R. Stier, Elders T. B. Probasco, George R. Thomas, Geo. W. Stillwell, Hugh B. Ely.

Morris and Orange—Minister John F. Patterson, D.D., Elders Wm. DeCamp Johnson, W. H. Grant.

Newark—Ministers Lewis Lampman, D.D., J. G. Hammer, Robt. S. Inglis, Elder R. S. Grummon.

New Brunswick—Ministers Albert Reid, Henry C. Minton, D.D., Titus E. Davis, D. R. Foster, Robert I. Gamon Elders L. C. Wooley, W. H. Gulick, Carroll Robbins, Ed. C. Sharp.

Newton—Minister P. Y. Schelly.

West Jersey—Ministers F. R. Brace, D.D., Geo. E. VanAlen, W. V. Louderbough, Elders Fred. H. Bateman, T. W. Synnott.

AFTER WEDNESDAY EVENING.

Elizabeth—Ministers S. J. Rowland, D.D., B. H. Rankin, J. M. MacNulty, D.D., Elder William Edgar.

Jersey City—Minister F. E. Miller, D.D.

Morris and Orange—Ministers Arthur J. Brown, D.D., W. W. Hallaway, D.D., Elders Jeremiah Baker, L. E. B. Craig.

Newark—Ministers D. R. Frazer, D.D., Walter B. Greenway, Wilson B. Chester.

Newton—Elder J. D. Simmons.

West Jersey—Ministers W. W. Casselberry, Geo. W. Tomson, Elder Phœbus W. Lyon.

DURING THURSDAY MORNING.

Elizabeth—Ministers Eben B. Cobb, D.D., Henry E. Mott, D.D., Elder W. W. Willett.

Jersey City—Ministers Chas. A. Evans, A. N. Thompson, D.D., C. Rudolph Kuebler, Elder R. C. Haff.

Monmouth—Ministers A. H. Young, D.D., Henry R. Hall.

Morris and Orange—Ministers T. A. Reeves, Stanley White, E. R. Murgatroyd, T. F. Chambers, R. J. Johnston, Elders John Crane, F. Kingsbury, Mahlon Hoagland.

New Brunswick—Ministers S. M. Studdiford, D.D., S. McLanahan, William Allen, Jr., J. W. Rogan, D.D.

Newton—Ministers E. B. England, D.D., Wm. Thomson, J. B. Edmondson, Jos. Dixon, J. DeHart Bruen, Elders Robert Kennedy, E. L. Cline.

West Jersey—Ministers Minot S. Morgan, A. P. Botsford, D.D., Wm. J. Bridges.

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

Elizabeth—Minister Lester M. Conrow, Elders S. C. Lum, E. L. Boutin.

Jersey City—Minister S. R. McClements, Ph.D., Elder J. S. Biddell.

Monmouth—Ministers E. M. Vannote, H. T. Graham, Elder W. J. Sickles.

Newark—Ministers A. A. Dinsmore, D.D., Sartell Prentice, Jr., Elders R. C. Ryerson, F. W. Tompkins, C. M. Russell.

Newton—Elder M. N. Armstrong, M.D.

West Jersey—Minister Wm. Bannard, D.D.

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

The Synod adjourned to meet in Lakewood, on Tuesday, October 20th, 1902.

The session closed with prayer and the benediction.

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 21st, 1900.

A careful study of the narratives for the past four years reveals the painful fact, that despite the note of warning raised in each report, the situation is no better to-day than in previous years. We notice in last year's report 341 Presbyterian churches, 462 ministers of the gospel, 70,558 communicants in the Synod of New Jersey; while this year we find enrolled 342 Presbyterian churches; but even this one addition is canceled from the list by the dissolution of a church in Jersey City on October the 7th; the ministry reports a net gain of 10; communicants number 71,227, a gain over last year of 669, an average of less than two accessions by letter and on confession to each church in the Synod.

A year ago high hopes were raised that the church would enter the new century with a spiritual power such as the church has not experienced since Pentecost. But alas! we still stand with outstretched hands and wait with patience for the promised blessing.

Figures, unfortunately, do not always speak the truth, yet when backed by the narratives they can hardly be astray. With regret and a prayer that the situation may be vastly improved this coming year, we are compelled to record an actually worse condition than that a year ago.

In 1901 there were 3,598 received on confession of their faith; in 1902 the number reported was 3,446—152 less than the previous year.

We speak of these facts not to depress the faithful ministers and elders of our churches, but to awaken serious thought and rekindle the flame of devotion in our Synod. In the midst of so discouraging a report it gives great pleasure to call into prominence the few churches that record upwards of 40 accessions on confession. Such are in the Presbytery of Elizabeth—Warren Chapel of Plainfield, 43; in the Presbytery of Jersey City—Carlstadt German, a church torn for the past ten years by dissensions, but prosperous now under a new pastorate, 40; in the Presbytery of Newark—First German of Newark, 60; Sixth of Newark, 84; Memorial of Newark, 51; Park of Newark, 57; Knox of Kearney, 46; in the Presbytery of New Brunswick—Fifth of Trenton, 44; in the Presbytery of West Jersey—Calvary of Camden, 68; Second of Camden, 51.

At the head of our list of Presbyteries is Corisco, with its noble and self-sacrificing ministry. The spirit of hopefulness prevails in so large a degree in our foreign Presbytery that amid all the discouraging elements arising in that far-distant work the note of cheer can be heard

distinctly. Apart from the regular services which were held throughout the year in all but one church, some real tangible results have been gathered. Hanje reports a spiritual awakening among the Balinge and the conversion of 30 of that tribe. The church at Bata is looking in the direction of the Fang with the hope of relieving that needy and distressed people along the coast. Attractive and beautiful church buildings have been completed at Corisco and Hanje—the former congregation contributing \$72 this past year towards its new edifice. But a shadow rests over this Presbytery which is expressed in the following language; speaking of the death of Mr. Devor and now of Rev. Itongolo, Dr. Nassau says—"Our Presbytery, with a membership of only 16, thus to lose 2 in one year, is a distressing loss—one-eighth of our entire force. I doubt whether any other Presbytery has lost as largely, proportionately. I think God has a controversy with us. And if I may read His dealings, I think because neither Mission nor Presbytery has made full effort to bring forward a native ministry. That work has been done by a few, has not had the sympathy of all, and actually had the opposition of some."

The Presbytery of Elizabeth bewails the slight put upon the Shorter Catechism and hopes the present disfavor into which that excellent compendium of Christian doctrine has fallen may be of brief duration. Among the encouraging features special mention is given to the loyal and consecrated women; to the faithful attendance at church service on the Lord's Day; to the increasing interest in the prayer meeting.

The Presbytery of Jersey City closes a sad and eventful year. The city of Paterson, from which Presbytery draws so much of its strength, has suffered much by fire and flood. In the general calamity the Ex-Moderator of the Synod, Rev. Chas. D. Shaw, D. D., lost his substantial and commodious church. Perhaps that which may be chronicled as a hopeful indication in connection with this Presbytery is the fact that more than half of the congregations have societies for men. When all the churches follow this plan a new arm of great strength will be added to the church.

The Presbytery of Monmouth deserves to be congratulated by reason of the union of the Westminster and First Churches of Asbury Park. The narrative gives the impression of a gradual spiritual awakening and a deepening interest in the study of God's Word. The one great drawback is that so many of the young men in this rural Presbytery leave their respective localities as soon as they attain an age of usefulness.

The Presbytery of Morris and Orange reports no unusual interest in spiritual matters within its bounds, but lays stress on a steady work which is not wanting in actual results. This Presbytery is noted for its liberality to the church Boards; for the godly women who labor unsparingly in the Master's Kingdom; for the work among the young people—especially the Boys' Brigade.

The Presbytery of Newark sends a modest narrative, lamenting some evils which exist throughout the Synod. Referring to evangelistic

meetings, we learn that a majority of churches held no special services, yet many of the churches have given evidence of considerable spiritual interest, and as a natural consequence the people of God are more ready to respond to calls for service. This noble Presbytery in the history of our Synod deserves special praise for taking the lead with 817 accessions on confession of faith.

The Presbytery of New Brunswick moves along the even tenor of its way. Smallpox has interfered with services in some communities. A complaint, in which many a Presbytery has its share, is the difficulty experienced in maintaining the Sabbath evening service, since so large a number discharge their religious obligations with the morning worship. A mark of divine favor remains with this Presbytery in that so many children are present to hear God's Word on the holy Sabbath day. Presbytery feels proud of its Italian work and predicts gratifying results.

The Presbytery of Newton enjoys the distinction of being loyal to our simple statement of doctrine as contained in the Westminster Shorter Catechism. At a time when nearly every Presbytery reports a lack of interest in the Catechism, and many schools, to say nothing of classes, are without a copy of this treasured booklet, it is refreshing to hear Newton say—"The Shorter Catechism is uniformly taught and the Westminster Helps universally used."

The Presbytery of West Jersey reports a healthy spiritual life among the churches; increased attendance in Sabbath-school; increased gifts to the Boards and loyalty on the part of congregations in meeting financial obligations.

Not all the discouragements or all the encouragements have been told. A hint to the wise is sufficient. Another year may remedy many defects and place our Synod in a much better light. May the great Head of the church aid every noble effort and verify His precious promises unto the people of His choice.

C. RUDOLPH KUEBLER,

Chairman.

II.—NECROLOGICAL REPORT.

Corisco.

IBIA J'IKENGE,

Senior native missionary of Corisco Presbytery, in our West African Mission, was born about 1834. As a child his first contact with the white man was as steward's assistant on a sailing vessel trading on his coast. Here he saw the worst side of civilization in the white man's rum and lust. At sixteen years of age he was attracted, for the sake of an education, to a school on Corisco Island, where, under the influence of his teacher, Rev. William Clements, he was led to unite with the church and study for the ministry. He was ordained April 5th, 1890, and at once became active in evangelistic work throughout that region. His zeal for Christ, coupled with his manly and outspoken denunciation of certain native superstitions and sins, almost cost him his life upon several occasions, notably when he made a public exposé regarding a heathen secret society with which he had been connected before his conversion. His church numbered 128 members. He died February 28th, 1901, in the sixty-seventh year of his age. He is survived by a widow, two daughters and two sons.

DAVID HARRY DEVOR,

Son of Jacob Porter and Mary (Hassler) Devor, was born November 28th, 1871, in Ashland, O. He united on the confession of his faith with the Presbyterian Church of Ashland, at the age of nineteen. His preparatory studies were pursued in the Ashland High School, and he graduated from Wooster University in 1895. He took the first year of his theological course in McCormick Theological Seminary, Chicago, coming to Princeton in 1896, and graduating from that institution in 1898. He was licensed and ordained as an evangelist by the Presbytery of Wooster, May 13th, 1898. He was stated supply of the church of Ellendale, N. D., 1898-99, and then, having devoted himself to the cause of Foreign Missions in Africa, he sailed for that country, September 17th, 1899. He labored in the Batanga Mission Station of West Africa until December, 1901, when he was transferred to the Lolodorf Station, Kamerun. He died at Lolodorf, West Africa, January 17th, 1902, of African fever, in the thirty-first year of his age. He was buried at Lolodorf. He was unmarried.

Elizabeth.

JOHN A. LIGGETT, D.D.,

Was born at Brandywine Manor, Pa., November 1st, 1834. He graduated from Lafayette College in 1857, as English Salutatorian, and from

Danville Theological Seminary in 1860. His first pastorate was at Crittenden, Ky., which pastorate he relinquished in December, 1864, that he might accept a call to the Second Presbyterian Church of Rahway, N. J. Here he spent thirty-seven and one-half happy and useful years, building up a strong and active church and enjoying the loving favor of a loyal people. He was for many years a member of the Board of Ministerial Relief and chairman of the Committee on the Westminster Home. He was also a trustee of the German Theological Seminary at Bloomfield, N. J. In 1884 Lafayette College conferred upon him the degree of D.D. In 1898 he was elected Moderator of the Synod of New Jersey. He died May 30th, 1902.

Dr. Liggett was married November 13th, 1861, to Mary Boyd Armstrong, the only daughter of Rev. George B. Armstrong, of Crittenden, Ky., who, with two sons and three daughters, survive him.

Dr. Liggett was a man of commanding presence, strong will, great self-control and large heart. He was a devoted pastor, a faithful Presbyterian and a citizen who identified himself with every movement that made for righteousness in his community. As another writes of him, "Like Enoch, he walked with God and was not, for God took him."

Morris and Orange.

HUGH SMYTHE.

Was born in Derrock, Ireland, in 1834. Coming to this country early in life, he entered Princeton College, from which he graduated in the Class of '63. He returned immediately to Ireland.

Mr. Smythe studied theology in Londonderry (his brother, Dr. Richard Smythe, being professor there at that time), and in Geneva, Switzerland. He returned again to Ireland, and became pastor of the church at Whitehouse, near Belfast, having been ordained in April, 1867. There he remained until 1873, when he accepted a call to the Seventh Presbyterian Church, Cincinnati, Ohio. He spent four years in Cincinnati, and then eight years in Elizabeth, N. J., as pastor of the Second Church. He was compelled to resign this charge by reason of ill health and went to Europe for a year. Upon his return he occasionally supplied the pulpit for his intimate friend, the late Rev. John Lowrey, then pastor at Hackettstown, N. J., and at these times he boarded at Schooley's Mountain. It was in this way that he came in contact with the Schooley's Mountain Church. In his enfeebled condition he found the mountain air agreeable, and he was easily induced to become stated supply of this church on January 15th, 1888. In this capacity he served the church for a period of ten years.

During that time, though suffering much, and frequently compelled to leave his work in other hands for weeks at a time, he succeeded in impressing some of the characteristics of his beautiful life upon the people. He died on Monday, September 22d, 1901, at Cincinnati, Ohio.

Mr. Smythe had four brothers, all ministers, and two sisters, who married ministers. His widow survives him.

KINSLEY TWINING, D.D.,

Son of Dr. Alexander C. Twining, of New Haven, Conn., and Harriet A. Kinsley, of West Point, N. Y., was born at West Point, July 18th, 1832. His early boyhood was spent in Vermont, where his father was professor of mathematics in Middlebury College. He prepared for college at the Hopkins Grammar School, entered Yale in 1849, and became an honored and greatly beloved member of the "famous class of '53."

Choosing the Christian ministry as his life work, he took the full course of theological training in New Haven, supplementing it with several months at Andover. In 1861 he became pastor of the Congregational Church in Hinsdale, Mass., where he married Miss Mary R. Clunkett. His wife's health failing, he resigned his pastorate, and took her to the Pacific coast, in the hope that a change of climate would restore her health, but it was unavailing, and she died in San Francisco in 1863.

After serving for a short period as pastor of the First Congregational Church of San Francisco, the condition of his own health compelled him to give up the charge, and he returned East. In 1866 he became pastor of the First Congregational Church of Cambridgeport, Mass. While there, he married Miss Mary E. Gridley, daughter of Rev. Delos Gridley, of Clinton, N. Y. In 1872 Dr. Twining received a call to the pastorate of the Union Congregational Church of Providence, R. I., where he remained until 1876.

The next four years were spent in Europe in study and travel, and on his return to America he became the literary editor of *The Independent*, which position he occupied with ever increasing ability and acceptance for nearly twenty years—until 1899—when he accepted a similar position on the staff of *The Evangelist*, the position he held at the time of his death.

In 1884 his alma mater (Yale) conferred on Dr. Twining the degree of Doctor of Divinity, and in 1893 Hamilton College that of Doctor of Literature. He was for many years a member of the Century Club, and a member of the Board of Managers of the New Jersey State Charities Aid Association.

For the past twenty years Dr. Twining resided in Morristown, where, with his family, he identified himself with the South Street Presbyterian Church, and to the last he took the warmest interest in all her varied work, temporal and spiritual. He was rarely absent from the mid-week prayer meeting, where his fervent and uplifting prayers, his wise and loving words of exhortation and instruction will long be remembered. His pastor found in him, not only a loyal and loving friend, but also a wise counsellor and devoted helper in spiritual things.

He died on Monday, November 4th, 1901, at the home of his sisters in New Haven, where he had gone to attend the Bi-centennial Anniversary of Yale University. His body was laid to rest in the family plot in New Haven, under the shadow of the old college with which his early life was so intimately associated, and with whose interests he was closely identified through his whole life. His widow, two daughters and a son survive him. In his genial and lovable traits, in the high sense of a truly sanctified and chivalric spirit, in his wide and generous sympathies, Dr. Twining was a fine illustration of the thorough Christian gentleman.

Newark.

GEORGE C. SEIBERT, D.D.,

Was born at Wetter-Hessia, Germany, on February 25th, 1828. He attended the Gymnasium of Marburg, taking a three-years' course in theology and a two-years' course in philology, receiving in course the degree of Ph.D. Upon completing his studies he was for a time instructor of a Hessian prince at Weisbaden, then professor in the Gymnasium at Bakmen, Rhine Province, from which place, after a service of a few years, he was called to the directorship of a gymnasium near Bremen. Here he remained until, yielding to the solicitation of Dr. Philip Schaff, then of the Reformed Theological Seminary at Mercersburg, Pa., he decided to undertake the charge of a school at Hagerstown, Md., from which place, at the outbreak of the Civil War, he was called to the pastorate of the Third German Presbyterian Church, of Newark, N. J. When the German Theological Seminary was established at Bloomfield, N. J., in 1869, Dr. Seibert was given the chair of Systematic Theology and New Testament Exegesis, which position he occupied with eminent distinction until the time of his death.

Dr. Seibert was the author of several books, the best known being "Schleiermacher's Doctrine of Sin," and "Hellenism and Christianity," both having been written before he left Germany. He received his degree of D.D. from Princeton University. He was married twice. A widow, six sons and four daughters survive him. He died on ship-board September 9th, 1902, and was buried at Bloomfield, N. J., September 18th.

Dr. Seibert was a man of genuine scholarship, deep piety and warm sympathies. He gave himself, body, soul and spirit, to the interests of the seminary, and in his death not only that institution but the church at large has sustained a great loss.

New Brunswick.

THOMAS SCOTT LONG

Was born July 29th, 1838, near Coatesville, Pa., of Scotch-Irish parentage. He united with the church at an early age. He graduated

from Lafayette College in 1864 and from Princeton Theological Seminary in 1867. His first pastorate was over the old Pequea Church, Presbytery of Westminster. In March, 1871, he became pastor of the Greenwich Church, Presbytery of Newton, and in 1886 he was settled over the Dayton Church, from which field of labor God called him to higher service. In the autumn of 1867 he was married to Catherine Ayers. He died December 22d, 1901, in the sixty-third year of his age. His widow also died a few months later. A son and a daughter survive him.

Mr. Long was a great student, being particularly fond of science and literature. Throughout his entire ministry his pulpit efforts were characterized by an earnest evangelistic spirit. Always ready to present the claims of Christ in family circle, school-house or reform institution, he was privileged to bring the good news of salvation to many who, otherwise, might never have heard the glad tidings. In his pastoral efforts his people found him cordial, sympathetic and self-denying, and under God's blessing he was enabled to bring a young and comparatively feeble church into the front rank of Christian activity and beneficence. As a Presbyterian he was faithful, earnest and fraternal. In debate he was candid and generous, never compromising his convictions nor seeking applause. In his death the Synod has lost one of its strongest members.

Newton.

JOHN WILLIAM BELL

Was born at Armstrong, Mass., August 21st, 1862, of irreligious parentage. When quite young he enlisted in the U. S. Navy, and after serving one term he returned to the home of his childhood, where, under the influence of earnest Christian friends, he was led to accept Christ. He at once became an enthusiastic Christian, making full restitution for early wrongs, and bending every effort to lead his old associates to renounce their sins and share his joy. Yearning to preach the gospel, which had been so much to him, and being unable to take the usual college and seminary training, he entered the Union Training Missionary Institute of Brooklyn, and subsequently took up the study of Greek, Hebrew and theology under the tutelage of a friend. His desire was to become a foreign missionary, but illness prevented. In 1896 he became pastor of a church at Newington, N. H., where he remained until called to Beattystown and Second Mansfield, four years later. After a battle of many years with disease and discouragements he died December 23d, 1901, in the fortieth year of his age. A widow, two sons and a daughter survive him.

A. EDWIN KEIGWIN,

Chairman.

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

FATHERS AND BRETHREN :

As, with profound gratitude to God, the members of your Permanent Committee on Synodical Home Missions come to present for your consideration their Sixteenth Annual Report, the thought which is uppermost in all their hearts may be expressed in these words: "MORE THAN EVER BEFORE."

1st. We have had *more* changes in the membership of our Committee *than ever before* in any one year in the history of our work.

In the middle of the year, Dr. Studdiford, the representative of New Brunswick Presbytery, left us, and just at the close of the year Dr. Dashiell, the representative of the Presbytery of Monmouth, bade us farewell. Both of these brethren had rendered conspicuous services to the cause, Dr. Studdiford having taken up the work laid down, some four years ago, by Dr. Dixon, and Dr. Dashiell having been engaged in this special phase of Christian activity since this Committee was organized and for many years before. In the one Presbytery, the Rev. Samuel McLanahan, of Lawrenceville, who has had large experience in Sustentation and Home Mission work in the Synod of Baltimore, has been appointed to fill the vacancy, and in the other Presbytery the vacancy will be filled at a meeting of Presbytery to be held during this meeting of Synod.

We recognize the necessity of these changes. When the weakness of the body and the infirmities of age make the burden too heavy for any of us, it is right that younger and stronger persons should be called to the front. And yet we cannot part with these, our fellow-laborers, who have toiled with us in the Gospel, without the deepest regret. Others may come in to do the work, but they will be missed. And our prayer to God in their behalf is that their lives and health may be precious in His sight, so that they may long be spared to aid us by their counsels and to sustain us by their prayers. And while we thus make grateful recognition of the large usefulness, in this particular branch of the Master's work, of both these laborers, we are sure that Dr. Studdiford would be the first to suggest that special mention ought to be made of Dr. Dashiell, now in the eightieth year of his age, who, for thirty-two years, has had charge of our mission work along a good portion of our Atlantic coast, and under whose fostering care no less than fifteen churches have been gathered and organized—Lakewood, Asbury Park, Belmar, Point Pleasant, Keyport, Atlantic Highlands, Delanco, Jacksonville, Barnegat, Hope, Long Branch, Moorestown, Sayreville, South River and West Mantaloking. Verily, saith our God, "He shall in no wise lose his reward." And it is interesting, in this connection, to note that all this magnificent work originated, under

God, with the Presbytery of Newark, which, at the conclusion of the Civil War, was the body to appoint and sustain Chaplain Dashiell as he went forth to labor at what was then Bricksburg, but now Lakewood.

And then—

2d. We have raised *more* money this year *than ever before*.

Adding to the amounts contributed by the various Presbyteries, the balance on hand at the beginning of the year, a special gift of \$500 from a member of the Presbytery of Elizabeth, and the interest paid, this year for the first time, on balances in the bank, we have raised, this year, the grand total of \$19,365.33, or more than a thousand dollars more than the best previous year in the history of our work. Or looking simply at that which the Presbyteries have raised, exclusive of the gift of \$3.00 from the far away Presbytery of Corisco, for which gift we make grateful recognition to God, our receipts have mounted up to the sum of \$18,018.16, or nearly \$400 more than last year. Indeed, looking *simply* at the gifts of the Presbyteries, we are within less than \$900 of the full quota of Synod which we were asked to raise, which is nearly \$300 nearer than we have ever succeeded in coming before. And if we add to this gift of the Presbyteries the special gift of \$500 from a single individual—as we have a perfect right to do—we are within less than \$400 of the goal; while, if we add to this the balance on hand at the beginning of the year, we have passed the goal, and have \$400 to spare.

Or, looking at the individual Presbyteries, we find that all but three have raised their full quota, the three falling behind being Jersey City, New Brunswick and Newark; that two have just equaled their quota, viz., Newton and Elizabeth; and that three have exceeded their quota, viz., Morris and Orange by eleven cents, Monmouth by \$33.02, and West Jersey by \$118.09. But of the three Presbyteries which have thus fallen behind, it is but right to say that Jersey City lacks but \$21.87 of raising what it did last year, which itself was nearly \$225 more than the year previous; that New Brunswick is nearer its quota by \$3 than it was last year; and that Newark has exceeded its gift of one year ago by the considerable sum of \$312.52. While of those Presbyteries which have just raised their quota, it should be said that Newton succeeds in doing this because that Presbytery, after its churches had raised all that they possibly could, so felt the importance of this work as to make provision for its deficiency out of a special fund in the care of the Presbytery; while Elizabeth is reported as having *just* raised its quota simply because its committee was unwilling to add to its receipts a special gift of \$500 given by a member of that Presbytery, the Committee of Elizabeth Presbytery feeling that while men might come and men might go, the churches alone remain forever, and that only as this work is laid upon the generosity of the churches can it healthfully and permanently succeed.

Nor will we say anything now, as we have usually said much, about the toil and anxiety by which these results have been achieved; nor praise the Presbytery of Morris and Orange because once again, as in

all the past, it has come up to the mark; nor comment upon the loyalty of Monmouth and West Jersey, the two Presbyteries which receive most from our fund, in that they have exceeded, by such handsome amounts, that which was asked from them by Synod. It must suffice, at this time, to say that it must now be apparent to all that, however we regard the financial exhibit of the year just brought to a close, its record is that of *more than ever before*.

Then—

3d. We have done *more* work this year *than ever before*.

And by this we mean that we have aided more fields (107 as against 100 last year), taken up more new work, helped in the erection of more new buildings and in the extensive repairing of more old ones, been instrumental in putting revived life into more enterprises which seemed ready to perish, assisted more churches to take steps toward self-support and have seen more churches attain this goal than ever before in any one year in the history of this work. And while we have not had the privilege of welcoming into our missionary churches, on confession of their faith in Christ, quite as many as last year, still we have been permitted to enroll 510 souls, and about half as many more by certificate, which we believe to be a larger percentage of increase than that of the Synod itself.

As setting forth more clearly the variety, method and triumphs of this work, we ask you to listen attentively to the reports from the various Presbyteries:

ELIZABETH rejoices that two of its aid-receiving churches have come to self-support during the year, and that a third, to which a small sum was granted last year, will no longer need even that assistance; speaks of a notable revival of interest and generosity in one of its colored churches; is glad that one of its mission chapels, through the gifts of two of its churches and a small additional sum from Synod's fund, has now a resident minister, whose labors are being richly blessed in the Lord; has already matured plans for the purchase of a lot and the erection of a chapel in one of its recently occupied fields, and has two other fields where the purchase of a lot upon which to build is being negotiated; is encouraged by its work among the Germans; and has begun to do something for the Italians within its bounds.

JERSEY CITY speaks of two distinctively rural parishes which, having felt in past years the exhausting drain cityward, are now clearly feeling the return flow countryward, and seem to have a new era of prosperity before them; mentions another church which came to it from a branch of the Reformed Church, and which has for some time been harassed by litigations about its property, where the trouble now seems at an end and a large work obviously before it; refers to another church, coming to the Presbytery in the same way, where a new edifice has been completed during the past year without aid from Synod's fund; speaks of still another church as having successfully disposed of its indebtedness, thus giving it possession of a property

value¹ at \$5,000, and as hoping soon to choose a pastor; mentions still another church as having completed its house of worship and as looking forward with new confidence to the future; is sure that its German work is prospering; makes hopeful recognition of that which is being done for the educated colored people in Paterson and Jersey City; and sees many open doors of usefulness among the 619,000 people who, according to the last census, reside within its bounds, and which open doors Presbytery does not yet feel warranted in entering because of a lack of means.

MONMOUTH rejoices that its efforts to give permanency to the work within its bounds, through the erection of manses, seem destined to be crowned with success, no less than seventeen manses having been erected within that Presbytery in recent years, and there now being only two or three churches in the Presbytery without a manse; is greatly encouraged by its work among the Germans; is carefully watching the growth of new communities along the coast that it may be ready to enter in to possess the land when the time is ripe; has good hopes that its attempts during the summer to resuscitate a field where there was a church building but no church organization will succeed; and is convinced that, while the rural congregations of our State should never be forgotten and we should ever be zealous to strengthen the things that remain, the great work of the Synod in the immediate future should be for the teeming, unreached multitudes in our great cities.

MORRIS AND ORANGE speaks of a new church, fully organized during the year, for which a good church building is now in process of erection; tells of another church where, through the aid of adjoining churches, a burdensome debt has been paid, and where, as a result of this assistance, the church has become self-supporting; mentions two other churches which have hopes in the same direction; emphasizes the careful way in which it scrutinizes every request for aid, and how its constant aim is to spend as little money upon a field as could be spent without positive injury to the field; is certain that, if the necessary funds were more freely provided, a very much larger work might be performed; and indicates a number of ways in which this larger work might be immediately pushed.

NEWARK records the formation of a new church, with about 125 members out of one of its chapels; speaks of another church which, through the aid of adjoining churches, has taken on new life, and, having raised among its members a goodly sum, is now beginning to build; mentions still another church which, through its own and the efforts of the Presbyterian Committee on Church Extension, has paid its mortgage indebtedness; is enthusiastic over the work which is being carried on among the nearly 40,000 Italians in the city of Newark; mourns because a new and promising work, started among the Italians by the pastor of its Italian church, had, because there was no immediate prospect of the Presbytery being able to take it up, to be turned over to the Methodists, who seem very aggressive all over the State;

mentions two new and growing sections in the city of Newark, now without proper church accommodations, where useful churches could at once be started; speaks of another section, near Arlington, which is now ripe for the establishment of a prosperous church; thinks that a very necessary and hopeful work might be commenced among the Jews within its bounds; would not have us forget that probably no less than ten of its churches are conducting mission chapels, some of them at a very large expense, and all without aid from Synod's fund; and would remind Synod, also, that very largely the burden of the support of the German Theological Seminary at Bloomfield has been allowed to rest upon the shoulders of Newark Presbytery.

NEW BRUNSWICK tells how, during the past summer, one of its churches joined with the two other churches in its village in holding Union Evangelistic Tent Meetings, which were well attended and resulted in a deepening of the spiritual life of the entire community, and where, also, a considerable sum to pay off a deficiency in current expenses of several years' growth has been raised; speaks of another church in which decided advance toward better things has been made through the erection in its immediate vicinity of a large number of new dwellings and a consequent rapid increase in population; mentions still another church where, though almost all the children and young people of the families of the church and all the scholars in the Sunday-school of suitable age are already members of the church, a goodly number of men are still unreached, for whom, through men's clubs and special services for men, determined and prayerful efforts are being made; rejoices in the increased attendance and interest and enlarged gifts of one of its colored churches; feels that its Italian work is doing much good through its growing Sunday-school and its recently opened reading-room; mentions that, during August, in connection with its Italian work, open air services were held on the streets of Trenton with hopeful results; and is about to commence work for the Italians in Bound Brook.

NEWTON, whose field covers the northwestern counties of the State, in which it has 35 churches and 27 outstations, rejoices that at all these 62 points preaching services are regularly maintained, and that, in almost every one of them, Sunday-schools also exist, sometimes in connection with other evangelical churches, but always with the hearty cooperation and support of Presbyterians; mourns that, during the past year, 22 out of its 35 churches have been vacant for a longer or shorter time, thereby greatly interfering not only with the gifts of these churches, but also with their aggressive work; and, while confident that its field is at present as fully covered as would seem to be practicable, is watching with deep interest the development of the cement and other industries in the southern part of its field, not knowing how soon it may be necessary for it to enter in to possess the land.

WEST JERSEY rejoices in the fact that two new churches have been organized in places where the rapid increase of the population indi-

cates a yearly reduction in the amount asked for from Synod and a speedy attaining of self-support; tells how one of these new organizations has already a neat chapel built and practically paid for and how the other is to commence to build during the coming year; speaks of two other churches, recently organized, which have finished their buildings and are now worshipping in them, the buildings by their neatness and modesty disclosing the fact that good sense had been used in their construction, as is befitting in buildings erected, in part at least, by missionary funds; mentions still two other churches which have attained unto self-support during the year; says that six more of its aid-receiving churches, which had not been able to assume self-support, had voluntarily made reductions in the amount asked for from Synod's fund; tells how several of its churches, in one instance one of its churches but recently organized, are supporting branch Sunday-schools, some of them as high as three such schools; speaks of a new town, at present growing very rapidly, where there is an excellent chance for work to be undertaken at once; and, on the whole, is persuaded that its work last year was better and more permanent than that of any year recently.

A record thus of *four* churches organized during the year throughout the State; of *five* new church edifices completed; of *six* churches having attained self-support; of *more than a dozen* which have voluntarily taken steps in that direction; of *several others* relieved of burdensome debts; of revived interest in *many* more; of *numerous* branch Sunday-schools; of work administered with intelligence, hopefulness, economy and zeal; is certainly not a record of indolence, but of progress, for which we may rightly praise and magnify the Lord.

Then again—

4th. The members of your Permanent Committee on Synodical Home Missions have *more* of a realizing sense to-day *than ever before* of the imperative and wide-reaching importance of the work which you have committed to our care.

We have always felt that it was important, but recently the fact of its importance has taken deeper hold upon us.

If the work which you have committed to us was simply that of sustaining the churches in rural and other localities where, because of death and removals, a marked depletion in strength has occurred, that were enough; for these country and other churches are, as has been often said, the springs in the mountains from which many of the most useful members and officers of our stronger city churches have been drawn; and, therefore, in abandoning these or allowing these to run down, we are cutting ourselves off from one large source of our strength. Then, too, though the character of many of these communities has changed by the incoming of a foreign element which is not in sympathy with existing church institutions, and therefore the task of supporting these churches is for the present exceedingly burdensome, still, if they are sustained, the youth of these families may be reached and the strength

of the church in the community be ultimately restored. Indeed, your Committee is unanimously of the opinion that this sustentation work must be maintained and pressed. Gratitude, self-preservation, patriotism and sound common sense require it. And happy would the day be if the suggestion of the Presbytery of New Brunswick could be carried out, that the minimum salary of every pastor in the State could be lifted to the sum of \$700 per annum and a parsonage or its equivalent.

But this sustentation department which, at the beginning, was the chief and in some minds is still the only department of our work, is now, in the judgment of the members of your Committee, equalled, if not exceeded, by the duty which, in the Providence of God, is laid upon us of entering a multitude of new fields which are opening before us. All along the many lines of railroads leading into our great cities are suburban towns, rapidly springing into prominence, where a little help now would pre-empt the field and insure a self-supporting and useful church in the very near future. It is unwise to say that these communities must take care of themselves. They will not do it, or, at least, will not until some other church has stepped in before us. And while we are not zealous for denominationalism, we are zealous that our Presbyterian Church, which to us seems as fitted to do the work which God wants to be done in this State as any other, should be in the van, second to none in occupying and holding strategic places for Christ.

Then there are manufacturing communities, springing up all over our State, where there are a large number of workmen employed, among whom it will be exceedingly difficult and slow to establish a self-supporting church, but to whom the Gospel should be preached and for whom evangelistic efforts, especially for the young, should be put forth.

And there are teeming multitudes of foreigners within our bounds whose spiritual needs demands our immediate attention. Many of you undoubtedly read an article in one of our recent religious papers upon a state of affairs which exists in the anthracite region of Pennsylvania which is truly alarming. The writer, a Presbyterian pastor in that region, tells us that "There are 150,000 people in the Wyoming and Lackawanna valleys alone who can neither speak nor understand the English tongue. They have their own merchants, their own priests, their own teachers. In no way do they become identified with the life of the community in which they live. They herd together in huts and hovels which are largely unfit for human habitation, and this sort of habitation is not the result of the 'grinding greed' of the coal operator, but is the result of choice. They choose to live under these conditions. They are a menace to the best life of the community, and by their presence present problems to both church and State which demand solution." We do not say that as bad a state of affairs as this exists in New Jersey, but we do say that New Jersey has similar conditions which we are called upon to meet. In the northeastern corner of our State and in a tract of country reaching back not much more than a dozen miles from the Hudson are more than a million of people, among them some of

the worst of the foreign element to be found in our land. For these people we ought, along all wise lines, to do, at once, far more than we have ever yet imagined that it was possible for us to do. Who is our neighbor, if not the needy at our door? This is not saying that we should not labor for the "regions beyond." The call of the perishing millions in heathen lands should never be unheeded. This is not saying that we should not do our utmost for the spread of the Gospel in Alaska, Utah, Arizona, Montana and the South. Our land, from one end of it to the other, must be won for Christ if it is to do for Christ the work which Christ wants it to do. But it is saying that, in addition to these, it is our duty and privilege to labor for the heathen by our side. He who provideth not for his own, for the people of his own community and State, has denied the faith and is worse than an infidel.

Then, once more—

5th. The record of the past year is a record of "*more than ever before*" in that we have *more* of a balance in the treasury to report *than ever before*.

Our efficient Treasurer will tell you in a few minutes that, after he had closed his books on the first of the month, he had a balance in the treasury of \$2,327.53. This will be somewhat reduced when a few belated bills have been paid; but still it will remain true that, for the first time in our history, we report a balance of over \$2,000.

"Oh," you say, "why did you not tell of this? Why did you let us imagine up to the very end that unless we put forth such efforts as we had seldom put forth before we should surely come out behind?"

Our answer simply is that the balance is as much of a surprise to us as it is to you. Not one of us had any idea that it was about to exist. How, for example, could we know that God would put it into the heart of a friend in the Elizabeth Presbytery to give to this work through that Presbytery, entirely unsolicited, the sum of \$500, not for the raising of the quota of that Presbytery, which was raised without it, but for the larger work in the State, which he was persuaded ought at once to be done? How could we know that Newark Presbytery, which, through its representative on the floor of this Synod last year, had said that it could not raise more than it had raised that year and hardly believed that it could do as well as that, should, even though at the opening of the last day of the present fiscal year it was considerably behind the record of one year ago, before the close of that day equal its past record and run over \$300 beyond? How could we know that the Presbyteries to which you had apportioned the smallest sum which seemed possible to meet their needs should, every one of them, at the last minute fail to use all that had thus been allotted to them, thus cutting down our expenditures by hundreds of dollars? How could we tell that the Presbyteries, not one of which on the beginning of the last day had reached the goal, should make such a magnificent spurt on that last day as to run nearly \$400 beyond their record of one year ago? How could we know these things when nearly all of them took place

within the space of forty-eight hours? We could not. If the churches had listened to our oft-reiterated entreaty to send their gifts to the Treasurer in the early part of the fiscal year all might have been different. And we are free to confess that had we imagined that we would have thus come out, we would have enjoyed more hours of sleep that last week, all of us, and more calls would have been made in our parishes and better sermons preached.

But after all, brethren, is this balance not of the Lord? One great difficulty about our plan of operation has been that it is so cast-iron. A certain sum is apportioned to each Presbytery, and, for the making up of this sum, a certain amount is asked from each Presbytery, which amounts are fixed at the beginning of the Synodical year, so fixed indeed that they can neither be increased nor diminished. But the ongoings of Providence are *not* fixed, at least by any resolution of the Synod of New Jersey. Things do happen, and will happen increasingly as we are increasingly aggressive, which, at times, make it seem almost imperative to enter a newly opened door. But where can we obtain the means? The money allotted to a given Presbytery has, in most instances, been allotted by that Presbytery to definite fields, and for this new work, this exigency which has unexpectedly arisen, nothing has been provided. As a result our work thus far, though magnificent in many of its details, has been lacking in aggressiveness. New Jersey has been priding herself upon her Synodical plan, and has been complacently saying to the other Synods, "Look on us." And little by little, Indiana for example, has been modestly suggesting that, while New Jersey did at the beginning take a magnificent stand by leaping to self-support at once, it has not made the subsequent advancement that you would have expected, only about the same amount being raised and expended year after year. Doors of opportunity have been opening on every side; but they have not been entered, because we have not been ready to enter them. And when the members of your Committee, who have been more or less alive to the needs of the situation, have pondered, as they have often done, upon some way of meeting these needs, no way has seemed to appear.

Now, however, our God, who is more anxious that this work should advance than we can possibly be, has Himself seemed to indicate the way.

"Take the balance which you have on hand and apply it to new work and then let the regular gifts of the Presbyteries take care of the regular gifts."

In other words, go on in the future as in the past. Ask the several Presbyteries to raise certain amounts according to the membership of their respective churches, as reported in the last printed minutes of the General Assembly. Out of the total sum thus raised, allot definite amounts to individual Presbyteries and for administration expenses. And then put a goodly portion of the balance in the hands of your Permanent Committee on Synodical Home Missions for new work.

This, you may say, is entrusting much to your Committee. True; but they are intelligent men, represent all parts of the State, best know

the needs of the work and fully realize that they are administering the Lord's money and are to give an account of their stewardship each year to Synod. If this step is taken, we believe that it will mark a decided advance in the history of this work.

We respectfully present for your adoption the following resolutions:

1. That certain resolutions upon this work having been referred by the last Synod to this Committee, and the Committee having carefully considered them and also taken the advice of the various Presbyterial Committees, no further action be taken.

2. That in view of the retirement of the Rev. Dr. A. H. Dashiell from the Permanent Committee on Synodical Home Missions, Synod hereby expresses its high appreciation of his services as a member of that Committee from its organization and of his long previous activity in mission work within our bounds.

3. That Synod, recognizing the need and opportunity for more aggressive work than has been possible hitherto, directs that \$1,500 of the balance now in the treasury be held as a special fund for new work, to be appropriated by this Committee upon applications from the committees having charge of this work in the various Presbyteries.

4. That Presbyteries be asked to contribute this year upon the basis of church membership, as reported in the Minutes of the Assembly for the year 1902, so that—

From the Presbytery of Elizabeth be asked, at the rate of 30 cents per member, the sum of.....	\$2,885 40
From the Presbytery of Jersey City be asked, at the rate of 26 cents per member, the sum of.....	2,011 36
From the Presbytery of Monmouth be asked, at the rate of 26 cents per member, the sum of.....	1,687 66
From the Presbytery of Morris and Orange be asked, at the rate of 30 cents per member, the sum of.....	3,140 70
From the Presbytery of Newark be asked, at the rate of 27 cents per member, the sum of.....	3,372 84
From the Presbytery of New Brunswick be asked, at the rate of 30 cents per member, the sum of.....	2,741 10
From the Presbytery of Newton be asked, at the rate of 22 cents per member, the sum of.....	1,228 92
From the Presbytery of West Jersey be asked, at the rate of 26 cents per member, the sum of.....	2,122 64
Total,	\$19,190 62

5. That appropriations be made as follows:

For administration expenses,	\$500
To the Presbytery of Elizabeth,	1,500
“ “ “ “ Jersey City,	2,600
“ “ “ “ Monmouth,	4,000
“ “ “ “ Morris and Orange,	1,600
“ “ “ “ Newark,	2,000

To the Presbytery of New Brunswick,	\$1,300
“ “ “ “ Newton,	1,100
“ “ “ “ West Jersey,	4,200
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	\$18,800

6. That in view of the larger work upon which we are now entering Synod commends this work to the increasing liberality of churches and individuals.

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

8. That in view of the large amount of Home Mission work done in New Jersey directly by the individual churches and Presbyteries which now receives no recognition from Synod, the Permanent Committee on Synodical Home Missions be authorized to solicit reports in order to the incorporating of such material in an appendix to its report.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

EBEN B. COBB,
Chairman.

IV.—TREASURER'S REPORT, HOME MISSIONS.

To the Synod of New Jersey:

I herewith present to you my report as Treasurer of the Synodical Home Mission Funds for the sixteenth fiscal year beginning October 1st, 1901, and ending September 30th, 1902.

The receipts have been as follows:

To balance according to last annual report,		\$810 14
" contributions from Presbytery of Elizabeth, ..	\$2,862 00	
" " Ralph Voorhees, special, Elizabeth, ..	500 00	
" " from Presb. of Jersey City, ...	1,879 55	
" " " " " Monmouth, ...	1,745 64	
" " " " " Morris & Orange, ..	3,112 01	
" " " " " Newark,	2,475 21	
" " " " " New Brunswick, ..	2,555 20	
" " " " " Newton,	1,256 42	
" " " " " West Jersey, ..	2,132 13	
" " " " " Corisco,	3 00	
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		18,521 16
" interest on balances in bank,		27 31
" internal revenue stamps redeemed,		6 72
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Total receipts for the year,		\$19,365 33

The disbursements to ministers and missionaries have been as follows:

In Presbytery of Elizabeth,	\$1,437 50
" " " Jersey City,	2,288 00
" " " Monmouth,	3,915 66
" " " Morris and Orange,	1,362 75
" " " Newark,	1,766 66
" " " New Brunswick,	1,200 00
" " " Newton,	773 95
" " " West Jersey,	4,084 69

For administration expenses as follows:

Printing, stationery and postage,	\$106 00
Traveling expenses and postage for committee, ..	102 59
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	208 59
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Total disbursements for the year,	\$17,037 80
Balance to be carried to next year's work,	2,327 53
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	\$19,365 33

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

Schedule I. Showing the payments made to aid-receiving churches, the contributions received from congregations, Sabbath-schools, societies and individuals, and the total contributions received from each church.

Schedule II. Showing the total contributions received from the respective Presbyteries.

Schedule III. Showing the amounts which the various Presbyteries were asked to contribute, and the amounts received from them respectively.

Schedule IV. Showing the appropriations to the different Presbyteries, the amounts paid for services during the year, and the unused balances of appropriations which have fallen into the General Fund under the provisions of Article VI, Section 6, of the plan revised October 17th, 1900.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. STEVENSON,

Dated ROSELLE, N. J., October 13th, 1902.

Treasurer.

SCHEDULE I.

Showing the payments made to aid-receiving churches, the contributions received from congregations, Sabbath-schools, societies and individuals, and the total contributions received from 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.
WITHIN PRESBYTERY OF ELIZABETH.						
Basking Ridge,.....		\$100 00				\$100 00
Bayonne City, 1st,.....						
Bethlehem,.....						
Carteret, 1st.....		15 00				15 00
Clarksville (Glen Gardner),.....	\$137 50	11 40				11 40
Clinton,.....		75 00	\$5 00			80 00
Cokesbury,.....	100 00	18 60				18 60
Connecticut Farms,.....		50 00				50 00
Cranford, 1st,.....		107 10				107 10
Dunellen,.....	50 00	46 20				46 20
Elizabeth, 1st,.....		98 11	32 60			130 71
“ 2d,.....			250 00			250 00
“ 3d,.....		75 57		\$43 07		118 64
“ 1st German,.....		50 00				50 00
“ Greystone,.....		99 80				99 80
“ Madison Avenue,.....	250 00	23 70				23 70
“ Siloam,.....	100 00	5 64				5 64
“ Westminster,.....		180 00				180 00
“ Bethany Chapel,.....	175 00					
Garwood,.....	250 00	3 00				3 00
Keasbey,.....	75 00					
Lamington,.....		54 90		3 00		57 90
Liberty Corner,.....	50 00	49 50				49 50
Lower Valley, Califon,.....						
Maurer, German, 1st,.....		5 00				5 00
Metuchen, 1st,.....		80 00				80 00
Perth Amboy, 1st,.....		30 00	6 29			36 29
Plainfield, 1st,.....		111 25				111 25
“ Crescent Avenue,.....		282 60				282 60
“ Bethel Chapel,.....		15 00				15 00
“ Hope Chapel,.....		97 80				97 80
“ Warren Chapel,.....		48 30				48 30
Pluckemin,.....		50 00				50 00
Rahway, 1st,.....		120 00				120 00
“ 2d,.....		160 00				160 00
“ 1st German,.....	250 00	12 00				12 00
Roselle,.....		127 50				127 50
Springfield,.....		58 07				58 07
Westfield,.....		200 00				200 00
Woodbridge, 1st,.....		56 00				56 00
Ezra F. Mundy,.....					\$5 00	5 00
Ralph Voorhees,.....					500 00	500 00
Totals,.....	\$1437 50	\$2517 04	\$203 89	\$46 07	505 00	\$3362 00

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.
WITHIN PRESBYTERY OF JERSEY CITY.						
Bayonne, Christ,	\$200 00	\$6 00				\$6 00
Carlstadt, German,	75 00	5 00				5 00
Englewood, 1st,		298 08				298 08
" West Side,		12 95				12 95
Garfield,		17 50		\$3 00		20 50
Hackensack, 1st,		35 80				35 80
Hoboken, 1st,		16 40				16 40
Jersey City, 1st,		302 49				302 49
" 2d,		47 75				47 75
" Claremont,		41 00				41 00
" John Knox,						
" Westminster,		84 20				84 20
" Lafayette,	100 00					
Leonia,		10 00				10 00
Norwood,						
Newfoundland (Oak Ridge),	100 00	12 00				12 00
Passaic, 1st,		115 00	15 00			130 00
" Dundee,	84 00	21 00				21 00
" German,	134 00	10 00				10 00
" Wallington,				4 25		4 25
Paterson, 1st,		13 00				13 00
" 2d,		204 53				204 53
" 3d,						
" 1st German,		13 00				13 00
" Broadway German,						
" Church of the Redeemer,		125 74				125 74
" East Side,		42 00				42 00
" Lake View,	100 00	10 00		3 00		13 00
" Madison Avenue,		12 20				12 20
" St. Augustine,						
" Westminster,						
Ridgewood, 1st,	200 00					
Rutherford, 1st,		189 02				189 02
" Lyndhurst,						
" Kingsland Chapel,	105 00	5 00				5 00
" Emanuel,	21 00	5 00				5 00
Tenafly,		26 64		7 00		33 64
West Hoboken,		111 00				111 00
West Milford,	260 00	30 00				30 00
Wood Ridge,	150 00					
Supplies,	759 00					
Rev. S. M. Hamilton,					\$25 00	25 00
Totals,	\$2288 00	\$1822 30	\$15 00	\$17 25	\$25 00	\$1879 55

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.
WITHIN PRESBYTERY OF MONMOUTH.						
Allentown,		\$75 40				\$75 40
Astury Park, 1st,		62 92				62 92
Westminster,						
Atlantic Highlands,	\$114 00	20 02				20 02
Barnegat and Forked River,	200 00	17 70				24 60
Belmar,	210 00	6 90				16 38
Beverly,		16 38				72 30
Bordentown,		32 56	\$2 00	\$5 00		79 30
Burlington,		78 60				32 56
Columbus,		13 52				78 60
Cranbury, 1st,		114 72				13 52
" 2d,		69 05				114 72
Cream Ridge,		10 08				69 05
Delanco,	190 00	24 18				10 08
Englishtown,		15 00				24 18
Farmingdale,	166 66	20 00				15 00
Freehold, 1st,		92 34	4 96			20 00
Hightstown,		27 68	30 05			92 30
Holmanville and Lakehurst,	280 00	6 00				57 73
Hope,		17 68				23 68
Jacksonville and Providence,	290 00	12 48				
Jamesburg,		17 16				29 64
Keypoint,	200 00	100 00				100 00
Lakewood, 1st,		15 20				15 20
" Hope,		71 00				71 00
Long Branch,		18 00				18 00
Manalapan,		15 00				15 00
Manasquan,		20 60				20 60
Matawan,		52 00				52 00
Moorestown,		65 28				65 28
Mt. Holly,		17 00	5 00			22 00
New Gretna,	125 00	23 62	40 00			63 62
Oceanic,		18 20				18 20
Perrineville,	150 00	30 30				30 30
Plattsburg,		22 88				22 88
Plumstead,		7 00				7 00
Point Pleasant,	197 50	7 40				7 40
Red Bank,		29 38				29 38
Riverton, Calvary,		65 00				65 00
Sayreville, German,	180 00	22 05				22 05
Shrewsbury, 1st,		26 70				26 70
South Amboy, 1st,	200 00	41 92				41 92
South River, German,	290 00	30 00				30 00
Tennent,		17 40				17 40
Toms River,	230 00	35 58		8 00		43 58
Tuckerton,	240 00	27 00				27 00
West Mantoloking,	107 50	14 04				14 04
Supplies,	545 00	2 08				2 08
E. P. Hodge,					\$20 00	20 00
A. H. Dashiell,					5 00	5 00
A. F. Gordon Mackay,					5 00	5 00
Refund from Presbytery,		3 33				3 33
Totals,	\$3915 66	\$1620 63	\$82 01	\$13 00	\$30 00	\$1745 64

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.
WITHIN PRESBYTERY OF MORRIS AND ORANGE.						
Berkshire Valley,		\$20 00				\$20 00
Mine Hill, and		11 10				11 10
Luxemburg,	\$425 25					
Boonton, 1st,		110 40				110 40
Chatham,		94 50				94 50
Chester,		10 00				10 00
Dover Memorial,		111 00	\$50 00			161 00
East Orange, 1st,		250 00				250 00
" Elmwood,		21 35				21 35
" Arlington Avenue,		34 44				34 44
" Bethel,		86 59				86 59
" Brick,		200 00				200 00
Fairmount,	100 00	18 00				18 00
Flanders,		18 00				18 00
German Valley,		10 88				10 88
Hanover,		89 10				89 10
Madison, 1st,		166 25				166 25
Mendham, 1st,		80 72				80 72
" 2d,						
Morris Plains,	75 00	17 70				17 70
Morristown, 1st,		275 00				275 00
" South Street,		250 00				250 00
Mt. Freedom,		22 60				22 60
Mt. Olive,	137 50	4 00				4 00
Myersville, German,	100 00	5 00				5 00
New Providence,		10 00				10 00
New Vernon,		23 80				23 80
Orange, 1st,		255 00				255 00
" Central,		250 00				250 00
" German, 1st,		15 00				15 00
" Hillside,		125 00				125 00
" St. Cloud,		40 00				40 00
Orange Valley, German,	50 00	5 00				5 00
Parsippany,		16 30				16 30
Pleasantdale, German,		5 00				5 00
Pleasant Grove,		9 00				9 00
Pleasant Valley,						
Rockaway,		55 25				55 25
Schooley's Mountain,		20 00				20 00
South Orange, 1st,		93 30				93 30
" Trinity,		50 00				50 00
Stirling,	75 00	5 00				5 00
Succasunna,		28 00				28 00
Summit, Central,		100 44				100 44
Whippany,	200 00	20 00				20 00
Wyoming,	100 00	10 50				10 50
Vailsburg, 1st,	100 00	15 00				15 00
R. H. Allen,					\$3 79	
Totals,	\$1362 75	\$3058 22	\$50 00		\$3 79	\$3112 01

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.
WITHIN PRESBYTERY OF NEWARK.						
Arlington,						
Bloomfield, 1st,		\$250 00				\$250 00
“ German,		5 00				5 00
“ Westminster,		150 00				150 00
Caldwell, 1st,		24 41				24 41
Kearney, Knox,	\$100 00	15 00	\$5 00	\$10 00		30 00
Lyons Farms,		20 04				20 04
Montclair, 1st,		136 09				136 09
“ Grace,		11 47				11 47
“ Trinity,		70 00				70 00
Newark, 1st,		300 00				300 00
“ 2d,		243 75				243 75
“ 3d,		235 00				235 00
“ 6th,		8 90				8 90
“ German, 1st,						
“ “ 2d,		2 50				2 50
“ “ 3d,		20 00				20 00
“ Italian, 1st,	850 00	18 70				18 70
“ Bethany,		5 00				5 00
“ Calvary,		82 00				82 00
“ Central,						
“ Fewsmith Memorial,						
“ Fifth Avenue,		34 37				34 37
“ Forest Hill,		84 24				84 24
“ High Street,		140 00				140 00
“ House of Hope,	116 66	3 06	3 39			6 45
“ Immanuel German,	200 00	20 00				20 00
“ Manhattan Park,	200 00	17 12				17 12
“ Memorial,		13 00				13 00
“ Park,		45 00				45 00
“ Plane Street,	200 00	27 50				27 50
“ Roseville,		250 00				250 00
“ South Park,		215 89				215 89
“ Wickliffe,		8 78				8 78
Roseland,						
Verona,						
Supplies,	100 00					
Totals,	\$1766 66	\$2456 82	\$8 39	\$10 00		\$2475 21
WITHIN PRESBYTERY OF NEW BRUNSWICK.						
Alexandria, 1st,						
Amwell, 1st, Reaville,		\$11 00				\$11 00
“ 2d, Mt. Airy,		3 00				3 00
Brookville, Prospect Street,		6 96				6 96
Bound Brook,		50 00				50 00
Dayton,		63 30				63 30
Dutch Neck,		25 00				25 00
Ewing,		62 00				62 00
Flemington,		156 00				156 00
Frenchtown,		11 64				11 64
Hamilton Square,		79 20				79 20
Holland,		16 15		\$3 00		19 15
Hopewell,		28 00	\$1 26			29 26
Kingston,		38 80		2 00		40 80
Kingwood,						

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.
WITHIN PRESBYTERY OF NEW BRUNSWICK—(Con.)						
Lambertville, 1st,		\$152 82				\$152 82
Lawrenceville,		74 00				74 00
Milford,		50 00		\$3 00		53 00
New Brunswick, 1st,		146 40				146 40
" 2d,		5 00				5 00
Pennington,		52 00				52 00
Princeton, 1st,		205 04				205 04
" 2d,		21 00	\$3 00			24 00
" Witherspoon Street,	\$175 00	24 60				24 60
Ringoes, United, 1st,						
" Kirkpatrick Memorial,		10 00				10 00
Stockton,	138 00	24 60				24 60
Titusville,	125 00	35 00				35 00
Trenton, 1st,		253 92	25 72			279 64
" 2d,		18 50				18 50
" 3d,		122 00	60 00			182 00
" 4th,		100 00				100 00
" 5th,		50 00				50 00
" Bethany,		15 00				15 00
" East Trenton,		15 00	20 00			35 00
" Prospect Street,		240 04		3 00		243 04
" Walnut Avenue,		18 00				18 00
" Italian,		490 00	10 25			10 25
Mrs. Caleb S. Green,					150 00	150 00
Rev. J. H. Dulles,					10 00	10 00
Rev. H. Van Dyke,					20 00	20 00
Totals,	\$1200 00	\$2254 22	\$109 98	\$11 00	180 00	\$2555 20
WITHIN PRESBYTERY OF NEWTON.						
Andover,						
Asbury,		\$25 00				\$25 00
Beattystown,						
Belvidere, 1st,		56 00				56 00
" 2d,		10 00				10 00
Blairstown,		105 73	\$19 27			125 00
Bloomsbury,		6 00				6 00
Branchville,						
Danville,	\$200 00	20 00				20 00
Deckertown,		35 00				35 00
Delaware,		4 75				4 75
Franklin Furnace,		25 00				25 00
Greenwich,		10 00				10 00
Hackettstown,		125 00				125 00
Harmony,		6 64				6 64
Knowlton,		1 55				1 55
Lafayette,		18 00				18 00
Mansfield, 2d,						
Marksboro,		25 00				25 00
Musconetcong Valley,		12 50				12 50
Newton, 1st,		200 00				200 00
North Hardyston,						
Oxford, 1st,		25 00				25 00
" 2d,		3 00				3 00
Phillipsburg, 1st,		21 85				21 85
" Westminster,		20 20				20 20

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.
WITHIN PRES. OF NEWTON—(Con.)						
Sparta,		\$25 00				\$25 00
Stanhope,	\$200 00	14 00				14 00
Stewartsville,		62 02				62 02
Stillwater,		1 66				1 66
Wantage, 1st,	183 33	10 00				10 00
" 2d,		16 00				16 00
Washington,		100 00	\$25 00	\$25 00		150 00
Yellow Frame,	100 00	12 32				12 32
"Goodwin Fund,"				169 93		169 93
Miss Mary S. Clark,					\$10 00	10 00
Mrs. Jos. H. Wilson,					10 00	10 00
Totals,	\$773 95	\$997 22	\$44 27	194 93	\$20 00	\$1256 42
WITHIN PRESBYTERY OF WEST JERSEY.						
Absecon,	\$200 00	\$10 00				\$10 00
Atco,	200 00	13 20				13 20
Atlantic City, 1st,		145 00				145 00
" " German,	75 00	25 00				25 00
" " Olivet,		20 00				20 00
" " Chelsea,	200 00	6 00				6 00
" " Westminster,	200 00	12 00				12 00
Audubon, Logan Memorial,	162 50	18 00				18 00
Berlin,		3 00				3 00
Billingsport, and		10 00				10 00
Swedesboro,	125 00	27 00				27 00
Blackwood, 1st,		37 00	\$6 00			43 00
Bridgeton, 1st,		90 00	20 00			110 00
" 2d,		110 10				110 10
" 4th,	75 00	26 00				26 00
" Irving Avenue,	200 00	22 36				22 36
" West,		65 00				65 00
Bunker Hill, and		10 50				10 50
Glassboro,	83 33	10 14				20 64
Camden, 1st,		140 00				140 00
" 2d,		104 00				104 00
" Calvary,	200 00	19 83	6 78	\$40 50		67 11
" Liberty Park, German,	300 00	12 00				12 00
" Grace,	175 00	30 51				30 51
Cape May City,		25 38	45 11			70 49
Cedarville, 1st,		39 52				39 52
" Osborn Memorial,						
Clayton,		68 40		2 00		70 40
Cold Spring,		15 00				15 00
Daretown, Pittsgrove,		30 74				30 74
Deerfield,		57 20				57 20
Elmer,		25 00				25 00
Elwood, Brainerd,	250 00	12 00				12 00
Fairfield, Fairton,		5 00				5 00
Gloucester City,			30 00			30 00
Green Creek,		5 00				5 00
Greenwich,		31 25				31 25
Haddonfield, 1st,		73 80				73 80
Haddon Heights,		4 42				4 42
Hammonton, 1st,		28 00				28 00
" Italian,		5 00				5 00
Holly Beach,		12 00				12 00

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.
WITHIN PRESBYTERY OF WEST JERSEY—(Con.)						
Janvier,		\$7 00				\$7 00
Jericho,	\$150 00	12 48				12 48
Leeds Point,		5 00				5 00
Laurel Springs, St. Paul's,	62 50	10 00				10 00
Mays Landing,	50 00	20 00				20 00
Merchantville,		30 00				30 00
Millville,		75 00				75 00
Ocean City, 1st,	150 00	22 68				22 68
" Olivet,						
Pleasantville,		22 36				22 36
Salem, 1st,		58 00	\$17 00	\$10 00		85 00
Tuckahoe,		6 72				6 72
Vineland,		30 00				30 00
Waterford,		7 00				7 00
Wenonah, 1st,		66 12	20 00	15 00		101 12
Williamstown,		40 03				40 03
Woodbury,		60 00	10 00			70 00
Woodstown,		13 00	5 00			18 00
F. R. Brace, Presbyterial Missionary, ..	341 37					
Supplies,	885 49					
Rev. Wm. Aikman, D.D.,					\$15 00	15 00
Totals,	\$4084 69	\$1889 74	\$159 89	\$67 50	\$15 00	\$2132 13
WITHIN PRESBYTERY OF CORISCO.						
Gaboon,		\$1 00				\$1 00
Corisco,		1 00				1 00
Benito,		1 00				1 00
Totals,		\$3 00				\$3 00

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 contributions.
Elizabeth,	\$2,517 04	\$293 89	\$46 07	\$505 00	\$3,362 00
Jersey City,	1,822 30	15 00	17 25	25 00	1,879 55
Monmouth,	1,620 63	82 01	13 00	30 00	1,745 64
Morris and Orange,	3,058 22	50 00	.....	3 79	3,112 01
Newark,	2,456 82	8 39	10 00	.....	2,475 21
New Brunswick,	2,254 22	109 98	11 00	180 00	2,555 20
Newton,	997 22	44 27	194 93	20 00	1,256 42
West Jersey,	1,889 74	159 89	67 50	15 00	2,132 13
Corisco,	3 00	.....	.....	.....	3 00
Totals,	\$16,619 19	\$763 43	\$359 75	\$778 79	\$18,521 16

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.
Elizabeth,	\$2,862 00	\$2,862 00	.....	.....
Jersey City,	1,947 14	1,879 55	.....	\$67 59
Monmouth,	1,712 62	1,745 64	\$33 02	.....
Morris and Orange,	3,111 90	3,112 01	11	.....
Newark,	3,257 01	2,475 21	.....	781 80
New Brunswick,	2,750 10	2,555 20	.....	194 90
Newton,	1,256 42	1,256 42	.....	.....
West Jersey,	2,012 04	2,132 13	118 09	.....
Corisco, .....	.....	3 00	3 00	.....
	\$18,911 23	\$18,021 16	\$154 22	\$1,044 29
	18,021 16	.....	.....	154 22
	\$800 07	.....	.....	\$800 07

SCHEDULE 4.

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

PRESBYTERIES.	Appropriations.	Amounts Paid.	Unused Balances.
Elizabeth,	\$1,500 00	\$1,437 50	\$62 50
Jersey City,	2,600 00	2,288 00	312 00
Monmouth,	4,000 00	3,915 66	84 34
Morris and Orange,	1,600 00	1,362 75	237 25
Newark,	1,850 00	1,766 66	83 34
New Brunswick,	1,300 00	1,200 00	100 00
Newton,	1,000 00	773 95	226 05
West Jersey,	4,200 00	4,084 69	115 31
Administration expenses,	500 00	208 59	291 41
	\$18,550 00	\$17,037 80	\$1,512 20

V.—REPORT OF THE PERMANENT COMMITTEE ON HOME MISSIONS.

The field of the Home Mission Board has greatly changed since the inauguration of Synodical Missions. Fifteen years ago about one-half the missionaries commissioned by the Board were east of the Mississippi river. But, following the lead of New Jersey, the Synods of this region have one after another been withdrawing their fields from the direct care of the Board, until now the Board has practically nothing to do with States where fifteen years ago one-third of her force was located.

But in the same period, from other quarters, there have come to the Board even greater demands than those from which it has been released. A great tide of immigration has been spreading itself over the plains, winding through the valleys of the Rocky mountains, flowing down the Pacific slopes. The new States of North and South Dakota, Montana, Washington, Idaho, Wyoming and Utah have been admitted. The Indian Territory, Oklahoma, New Mexico and Arizona have largely been opened to settlement. At the touch of a golden spur, Alaska has leaped into a foremost place as a mission field for Anglo-Saxons as well as natives. The Spanish War has given Cuba and Porto Rico. In extent of territory, in expense, and, may we not say, even in imperativeness, the new work exceeds the old.

For this newer and needier work the Board must still draw support from the older and stronger parts of the church. In this respect the Synod of New Jersey has a worthy record. It has not only cared for its own work, but has maintained and increased its gifts to the Board for the "regions beyond."

But examination shows that the advance has been chiefly through the Woman's Societies, aided by the Young People. The Annual Report of the Board classifies receipts under the heads of (1) "Evangelization," which means the support of ordained ministers as preachers in churches and stations; and (2) "Mission School and Evangelistic Work," which covers boarding and day schools and evangelistic agencies directly connected with them. Recent Reports acknowledge the gifts as coming through four channels; the Church, the Woman's Society, the Sabbath-school, and the Young People's Society. Comparing now the Report of 1902 with that of 1888, fourteen years ago, it appears that the churches have only increased their gifts for Evangelization \$4,933, almost all of which may be traced to the single Presbytery of Morris and Orange; while for School Work the Woman's Societies increased \$4,413, the Sabbath-schools over \$2,000, and the Young People's Societies about \$4,000. The increase for School Work has been more than double that for Evangelization.

These schools are doing a much-needed and most valuable work among the exceptional populations. There is no occasion for criticism,

but only for congratulation, that so much has been done to extend them. But "Evangelization"—the preaching of the Word to all classes and the planting of churches—this must remain the supreme and final work of Home Missions. Do not the facts just recited indicate that it is in danger of being overlooked or neglected? The support of this form of work has largely come, and must continue to come, from the offerings of the public congregation. The situation seems to demand that the attention of our Synod, our Presbyteries and our Sessions should be particularly directed just now to the matter of church offerings for this cause. In further support of this, the items of the following table derived from the Board's report of 1902 are submitted:

PRESBYTERIES.	NUMBER OF CHURCHES GIVING			No. Ch. Of'g. Total.	Presby. Total.	
	Nothing to Board	To Schools, but not Evang.	To Evang., but not by Ch. Of.		For Ev.	For Sch.
Elizabeth,	5	3	1	9	\$4,095	\$6,083
Jersey City,	8	6	6	20	9,800	1,927
Monmouth,	0	1	5	6	1,701	1,752
Morris and Orange, ..	3	1	1	5	12,770	5,111
Newark,	6	3	1	10	5,336	2,959
New Brunswick,	2	1	0	3	2,953	2,133
Newton,	1	4	1	6	1,398	1,378
West Jersey,	12	9	4	25	1,543	1,228
Totals,	37	28	19	84	\$31,613*	\$22,574*

* Includes fractions of dollars omitted in table.

This shows that about one-fourth of the congregations have not contributed directly to Evangelization, and that only a small fraction of the gifts from many other churches have gone to this, the pre-eminent work of the Board.

The immediate problem, then, is how to interest the congregations at large, and especially the men, in this cause, and so to increase the gifts through church offerings.

The facts just indicated place a fresh emphasis upon the call for Home Missionary sermons, for the circulation of Home Missionary literature, and for more efficient methods in securing gifts.

It is impracticable, even if it were desirable, to attempt to organize any missionary society of the men, or of the congregation as a whole. But would not a revival of the Monthly Concert for Missions, with suitable modifications, secure practically the same ends? In the control and arrangement for these meetings, and in the exercises at them, the participation of all classes of the congregation may be sought. Such participation will develop interest on the part of the participants and will tend also to arouse other persons. The topics for each meeting might be divided between Home and Foreign Missions, or these

causes might be presented on alternate months. Interesting programs for each will be found every month in the "Assembly Herald."

Another method for arousing special interest is found in getting the church to assume the support of a particular worker or field. This is now done by the following churches of the Synod: Blairstown supports special work in New Mexico and Arizona at a cost of \$750 a year; East Orange gives \$1,500 for a man in Cuba; Orange, Central, \$600 for a missionary in West Virginia, and about the same amount for one in Idaho; Morristown assumes \$350 as partial support of a missionary in New Mexico, and Hillside, Orange, \$300 for one in Nebraska. It will be noted that these churches are almost all in Morris and Orange Presbytery, the only one which has largely increased its gifts for Home Missionary Evangelism in the past fifteen years. The annual amount paid to different missionaries differs so much that almost any church can obtain a worker for what it can raise; but this method should only be undertaken where by it the gifts of the church can be largely increased. Otherwise no real advantage to the cause will be secured, and incidental disadvantage may result.

We recommend—

1. That a distinct Standing Committee on the work of the Home Mission Board be appointed in every Presbytery which does not already have such Committee.

2. That the Synod's Permanent Committee on the Home Mission Board be composed of the chairmen of the similar Presbyterial Committees, and that the chairmanship of Synod's Committee pass annually in succession to its members in the alphabetical order of the Presbyteries represented.

3. That the Synod hereby expresses its approval and high appreciation of the work of the Woman's Societies as presented in the Annual Report of the Synodical Society made to this Synod.

4. That greater emphasis should be placed by Presbyteries and Sessions upon contributions to the Board by the churches for the specific work of Evangelization, and that the Home Mission Committees be charged to correspond with delinquent churches.

5. That each Session be advised to adopt some subscription plan for this cause by which each member of the congregation may be reached.

6. That Synod commends the observance of a monthly missionary meeting for the whole church, which may well take the hour of the Sunday evening or mid-week service, and which shall include Home Missionary topics.

7. That Synod commends to the churches the plan of undertaking to support specific Home Mission work as a means whereby missionary interest and liberality may be developed.

SAMUEL McLANAHAN,

Chairman.

VI.—REPORT OF THE PERMANENT COMMITTEE ON FOREIGN MISSIONS.

The large and ever-increasing work carried on by our Board of Foreign Missions makes its powerful appeal to our sympathies, our prayers and our gifts. When the last report was made to the General Assembly there were 749 missionaries. Since that time nearly sixty carefully-selected young men and women have gone out to their respective fields of labor as new missionaries. We have with them fully 800 men and women representing our church in foreign lands. Besides these, there are 643 licensed and ordained native preachers, and 1,239 native helpers, making in all nearly 2,700 laborers employed by the Presbyterian Church in its foreign missionary work.

There are 121 principal mission stations, 1,286 out-stations, or 1,407 preaching places, situated in South America, Guatemala, Mexico, the Philippine Islands, Japan, Korea, China, Siam, Laos, India, Persia, Syria and Africa. There is a large printing press at Shanghai, and another at Beirut, from which there were issued last year more than 75,000,000 pages of Bibles and other literature. We have 84 hospitals and dispensaries, in which there were treated about 200,000 patients. There are 769 schools and colleges, in which there are enrolled more than 26,000 pupils. There are 610 churches, with nearly 45,000 communicants, and 34,000 scholars in the Sunday-schools.

This hasty glance at the field of operation of our church in Foreign Missions shows us how great the work is, how prosperous it has been, and how profitable an investment it has proved to be. The year which closed May 1st was the most prosperous in the history of the Board. More money was contributed and expended in the work of the Board than ever before. In 1872 the Board received \$431,334.84; in 1882, \$576,798.38; in 1892, \$931,292.47, and in 1902, \$1,086,341.74. Is it too much to hope that there will be such steady advance in contributions that when ten years more have rolled away the income of the Board will be \$2,000,000? Such an advance there must be if we are wholly to follow the Lord in the leading of our church in foreign lands and enter the doors which He is ever opening before us. The Presbyterian Church has the money. Shall it be laid upon God's altar, and consecrated to this great work of evangelizing the nations?

To make it perfectly clear what such an advance in the income of the Board would mean, I quote a few sentences from the last report of the Board: "To know what might be done with such a doubled income, let us look back at what was done with an income of \$500,000 in 1872, and compare it with the present work supported at an annual expenditure of about \$1,000,000. In 1872 there were 262 missionaries, now 749; then 439 native workers, now 1,882; then 10,681 scholars in schools, now 26,108; then 4,203 church members, now 44,443. The doubled income of these years has represented an increase in the work

as a whole of about 500 per cent. At the same ratio, another duplication of income would support a work embracing 2,100 missionaries, 7,500 native workers, 63,000 scholars and 400,000 native Christians." There is very much to encourage us to aim at this large increase in contributions. Last year there were 5,241 persons received into full membership in the churches on mission fields, after careful training and thorough examination. This is the largest number received since the organization of the Board. Besides these, there are many inquirers in all the fields, who are being instructed in the doctrines and duties of our religion, and many others who have been interested hearers of the gospel. Japan has been opened anew to Christianity. The Spirit of God has been poured out in mighty power upon that land; missionaries and Christian workers have labored together for the extension of God's Kingdom, illustrating in their lives the unity for which Christ prayed, and thousands have taken their stand upon His side. China has not been without gracious tokens of the presence of God, and even in blood-stained Paotingfu, from which the brave missionaries went up to glory in smoke and flame to receive a martyr's crown, twenty have confessed Christ, and have been baptized. In India there has been marked advance, and in the Western India Mission more than twice as many persons were received into church membership last year as were received during the entire thirty years in which our work has been carried on there.

The work begun by our Board such a short time ago in the Philippines has been greatly blessed. We have already 352 church members in those islands, 299 of whom were received last year.

In Korea the doors are wide open everywhere throughout that land. It is a wonderfully fertile field, and the seed of the Word seems scarcely to be sown until it has sprung up and borne fruit in a harvest of souls. 1,263 Koreans confessed their faith in Christ last year, and there are multitudes of catechumens for whose training the workers are entirely inadequate. One incident furnished by one of our missionaries there will give us some conception of the vastness of the work and of the prosperity that attends it. Mr. Moffat writes: "We are in the midst of the class, with about 400 in attendance; so many that, as usual, buildings are too small. For morning prayers we meet in the sarang and big room at the academy. For conference we will have to meet in the big church next Saturday. Last Sunday church was jammed full, on platform and everywhere, 1,500 all told. Actual count showed 863 men, 137 boys, and 500 women. Mr. Swallen came back from prayer meeting last night, saying there were 1,000 people out, and that all had to wade through snow drifts up to their waists."

And what is true in Japan, China, India and Korea is measurably true wherever we have work. All over the vast field there is great encouragement, sufficient to spur us on to utmost endeavor in the interests of the Redeemer's kingdom. The field is white unto the harvest, and everywhere the call is, "Come over and help us."

Now, what are we doing as a Synod to respond to that call? All our interest in this work is not shown by our gifts, but your Committee has no other tangible way of determining that interest. This Synod gave last year to the Board's work \$79,803.63. It is true that, according to the report of the General Assembly, we gave \$119,112; but the amount that was actually given to the work of our own Board was \$29,308 less than the amount reported to the Assembly. It ought to be said, however, that a large part of this difference is to be credited to one church. \$79,803 seems a large sum for a Synod as small as ours to give to one Board. But while we gave this apparently large amount to this Board, we spent upon ourselves \$1,038,797. More than a million for the support of our own churches, less than one hundred thousand for the work of our Board of Foreign Missions! It does not seem so large now, does it? Furthermore, our gifts this past year were \$5,214 less than they were the year before. This falling off is distributed among the Presbyteries as follows: Elizabeth, \$892; Jersey City, \$594; Monmouth, \$105; Morris and Orange, \$507; Newark, \$2,689; Newton, \$663; West Jersey, \$18. The little Presbytery of Corisco gave within a few cents of its contribution last year, while New Brunswick has the distinction of being the only Presbytery that gained, its gift being \$227 in advance of that last year. Compared with other Synods we did well. In our gifts to this cause we take very high rank among the Synods. We stand third on the list of the thirty-two Synods. Only the great Synods of New York and Pennsylvania are in advance of us, and our gifts are almost twice as large as those of the Synod of Illinois, with its Chicago, which things are for our comfort and encouragement. Still, the stubborn fact remains that we have fallen more than \$5,000 below the standard set last year; that we have not made a good showing compared with ourselves. We have not done as well as we might have done. Shall we not do better this year? Shall we not give ourselves with renewed consecration to this great cause, that in the contributions of our Synod to which the Board looks with so much confidence for support there shall be a decided gain?

Attention is called to the able reports of the Rev. Arthur J. Brown, D.D., on China, Korea, Siam and Laos, the Philippines and Syria in connection with his recent visit to our missions in these lands. They are packed full of information, are statesmanlike in their treatment of these great mission fields, and cannot fail to arouse new interest in the cause of Foreign Missions. Concerning the report on China, the Hon. Charles Denby, himself thoroughly familiar with affairs in that country, says: "It is the completest and most admirable paper I ever saw." For those who have mission study classes, or who are thinking of organizing such classes, there is nothing better than the booklet on the subject prepared by Mr. T. H. P. Sailer, to whom has been assigned matters educational in connection with the work of the Home Department of the Board. Mr. Sailer brings a valuable experience in the study of Missions to this work, and almost, if not quite altogether, gives his time at no expense to the Board.

It should be noted also that Mr. David McConaughy, a most devoted man, and of large experience in Christian work, both in this land and in the foreign field, has been appointed by the Board to interest individual men and women in the cause of Foreign Missions. His entire expenses are to be paid by two loyal and generous friends of Missions, Mr. E. A. K. Hackett, of Fort Wayne, Ind., and Mr. John H. Converse, of Philadelphia. This is the movement popularly called the forward movement, and it is hoped and believed that under the direction of Mr. McConaughy it will be attended with marked success. It is of special interest to note at this point that thirty-four of our foreign missionaries are supported by churches and individuals within the bounds of this Synod. Believing in the effectiveness of missionary tours through the Presbyteries, your Committee is planning to have Rev. Dr. Thomas Marshall, Field Secretary of the Board, together with missionaries on furlough and Secretaries of the Board, spend some weeks in conducting an itinerary this winter. It is earnestly hoped that pastors and elders will aid Presbyterian Committees in co-operating with the Committee of Synod that this tour may be as helpful as possible in furthering the cause of Missions.

Your Committee has been saddened by the recent sudden death of one of its most faithful members, Elder David R. Hull, of the Newton Presbytery, and records its loving appreciation of his intelligence and zeal.

We offer, for adoption, the following recommendations:

1. That we urge Presbyterian Committees and pastors to use their utmost endeavor to secure an offering for this cause from every church, and, as far as possible, to aim at an increase in the contributions.
2. That we commend to our churches the helpful leaflets published by our Board, the Assembly Herald, and the Woman's Work for Woman.
3. That we urge our pastors and elders especially to procure and read the reports prepared by Rev. Dr. Arthur J. Brown.
4. That we urge our churches to observe the Monthly Concert of Prayer and to magnify its importance.
5. That we cordially endorse the plan of the Board to increase the interest of churches, and especially of wealthy individuals in this cause, and to secure from them enlarged contributions through the appointed agent of the Forward Movement, Mr. David McConaughy.
6. That we rejoice in the noble work of the consecrated women of our churches, and assure them of our hearty sympathy and good-will.
7. That the report of the Woman's Board, referred to this Committee and read with interest, be approved, and the usual number of copies be provided at the Synod's expense.

JOHN F. PATTERSON.

VII.—TWENTY-FIFTH ANNUAL REPORT OF THE WOMAN'S
SYNODICAL SOCIETY OF HOME MISSIONS IN THE
SYNOD OF NEW JERSEY.

It is fitting that this twenty-fifth report should mark a decided progress over the years which have preceded. The figures will tell their own story, and thoughtfully considered will mean much; but what shall we say of the many prayers offered by consecrated workers in our midst for the upbuilding of the kingdom of Christ? The answer to these prayers is manifest, and God's providential leading clearly shown in this year's record as well as in the past.

In the eight Presbyteries there are 200 Auxiliaries, with a membership of 8,651; 82 Bands; 61 contributing Sunday-schools, and a number of Christian Endeavor Societies. The contributions according to Presbyteries are as follows:

	<i>Value of Boxes.</i>	<i>Money.</i>
Elizabeth,	\$2,464 72	\$5,715 85
Jersey City,	1,828 88	2,246 73
Monmouth,	1,401 15	1,242 06
Morris and Orange,	5,793 26	4,147 99
Newark,	1,750 72	1,763 38
New Brunswick,	2,195 69	1,546 16
Newton,	356 00	625 69
West Jersey,	860 80	905 81

The total amount paid the Woman's Board of Missions is \$24,731.76, a gain of \$2,209. This is the largest contribution paid to the Woman's Board by this organization. Of this total, \$2,156.85 was for the work among the Freedmen, and \$3,954.19 was for the Synodical Special Objects, to be applied as follows:

Asheville Farm School,	\$1,109 38
Good-will Mission,	539 74
Work in Alaska,	445 90
Harbison College,	1,453 07
Scholarships at Logan,	406 10

Elizabeth Presbytery report an increase in contributions, a larger membership and a gain of 86 in the number of meetings held, indicating a greater interest in the cause. Number of societies, 30; membership, 1,995.

Jersey City Presbytery show an increase in membership and contributions. A large number of the societies have adopted the plan of systematic study of Home Mission topics. Number of societies, 19; membership, 891.

Monmouth Presbytery send a cheering record, reporting a larger number of societies and a larger membership. Number of societies, 19; membership, 538.

Morris and Orange Presbytery report the work in this Presbytery characterized by personal work and the study of missionary topics. Number of societies, 41; membership, 1,762.

Newark Presbytery are rejoicing in the results of the work of the past year, and hope next year to report a woman's missionary society in every church in the Presbytery. Number of societies, 21; membership, 999.

New Brunswick Presbytery report a larger membership, which means greater strength. Number of societies, 30; membership, 1,215.

Newton Presbytery. Throughout this Presbytery much sickness has prevailed, which has somewhat retarded the work. Notwithstanding this, an increase in membership is reported. Number of societies, 23; membership, 673.

West Jersey Presbytery. Much consecrated, prayerful work has been done in this Presbytery. The Secretary writes as to gifts, "We know that the women of our Presbytery have done as the Lord commanded His chosen and have gathered, some more, some less, according as the Lord has prospered them." Number of societies, 17; membership, 578.

During the past year two members of our Executive Board have been called to the eternal home, Mrs. C. H. Langdon, the first Recording Secretary of the Society, who was a faithful and zealous worker, and Mrs. F. H. Pierson, whose usefulness was a benediction to us all.

If we consider the twenty-five years' history of the work of the Society in the light of future events casting their shadows before, it augurs well for the years that are to come in the continued success of our work in the upbuilding of the Kingdom.

HARRIET B. MILES,

Corresponding Secretary.

VIII.—TWENTY-FIFTH ANNUAL MEETING OF THE WOMAN'S SYNODICAL SOCIETY FOR HOME MISSIONS.

The twenty-fifth annual meeting of the Woman's Society of Home Missions in the Synod of New Jersey, held in the First Presbyterian Church of Morristown, N. J., was called to order at 1:45 P. M., October 16th, 1902, the President, Mrs. W. E. Honeyman, in the chair.

The hymn, "Praise the Lord, Ye Heavens Adore Him," was sung, and the audience joined in a responsive Scripture reading on "Individual Responsibility." Mrs. G. W. B. Cushing led in prayer.

The roll by Presbyteries was called by the Recording Secretary, representatives were present from the eight Presbyteries.

The report of the Treasurer of the Contingent Fund was presented by Mrs. J. H. Manning.

The report of the Freedmen's department was given by Mrs. Francis S. Irwin, who stated the past year to have been the best year on record in work for Freedmen by the Societies in our Synod. The total amount contributed was \$2,389.77, an increase of seven per cent. In addition to this, during the past year the Societies in our Synod furnished entire the new dormitory of Harbison College, twenty-two rooms in all, and responded generously to the appeal for help for the sewing-room. As our work for the coming year we are asked, in addition to the \$1,000 for salaries at Harbison College, to raise \$300 in twelve \$25 scholarships "in aid" at Harbison College, and for \$200 to help build a new girls' dormitory at Brainerd Institute.

The following Committees were appointed, announcement of the appointments having been made at the morning session:

Committee on Nominations—Mrs. J. T. Kerr, Chairman.

Committee on Place of Meeting—Miss Mary Johnson, Chairman.

Committee on Resolutions—Mrs. M. J. Gildersleeve, Chairman.

In the absence of Mrs. Bennett, the report of Young People's Work was given by Miss Pond, showing 476 Young People's Societies in the Synod, and an increase in contributions of \$609.64. The work done by the young people shows a noble advance. The work for the coming year remains the same as for the year just closed. The Christian Endeavor Societies still have as their special object the salary of Rev. Ralph M. Craig, Synodical missionary of New Mexico; the Juniors are to contribute to the work in Alaska; while for such Bands as have no special pledged work, the Asheville Farm School is suggested.

The annual report of the Synodical Secretary of Literature was presented by Mrs. William Nelson. It showed that each one of the eight Presbyteries has a Secretary of Literature. The subscriptions to the "Home Mission Monthly" has reached the number of 2,200 throughout the Synod. The subscriptions to "Over Sea and Land" number 1,083. There are 177 Secretaries of Literature in the Synod. A new plan for distributing literature this year, a simple plan, will be made

know later to the Societies, and all are asked to be on the lookout for it. The report was, on motion, adopted.

The report of the year's work was given by the Corresponding Secretary, Mrs. E. C. Miles. Upon motion this report was accepted and ordered sent with the minutes of this meeting to the Synod of New Jersey.

The hymn, "Revive Thy Work, O Lord," was sung.

The President spoke of prospective work, and urged an increase in the number of Auxiliaries and also in the membership. Out of the 342 churches in our Synod there are 142 in which there are as yet no societies auxiliary to the Woman's Board of Home Missions. To increase the membership, let each one endeavor to secure during the next year one new member to the Auxiliary in her church. We are asked to continue our gifts to special objects as follows: Asheville Farm School, \$1,000; work in Alaska, \$500; Goodwill Mission, South Dakota, \$500; ten scholarships at Logan, Utah (\$75 each), \$750. In work for Freedmen we are asked for teachers' salaries at Harbison College, Asheville, S. C., \$1,000; for twelve scholarships in aid, Harbison College (\$25 each), \$300; towards building a new girls' dormitory at Brainerd Institute, \$200. It was urged that a special effort be made to secure offerings from every Sabbath-school for the work of the Woman's Board on the Sabbath preceding Thanksgiving or on some Sabbath near that date.

Miss V. M. White brought a message from the Woman's Board of Home Missions and spoke of interesting features of the work in Utah, Dakota, Alaska and at the Asheville Farm School.

Dr. Sarah J. Elliott, expected to speak on "Some Phases of the Mormon Question," being unable to be present, Miss White spoke on this subject, urging those present to use their influence in combating the evil influences of Mormonism, and to continue to work that the truth of Christ may be preached and upheld in the parts of the country where this influence is now dominant.

A silver thank offering was taken in commemoration of this, the twenty-fifth anniversary of our Society, all over the usual necessary expenses to be devoted to furnishing the homes of three teachers recently appointed to work in New Mexico and Colorado. The offering amounted to \$160.07.

An anniversary address was delivered by Rev. D. Stuart Dodge, D.D., President of the Board of Home Missions.

On motion it was

Resolved, That in accordance with the recommendation of the Woman's Board, we will earnestly endeavor to raise for our special work, \$500 for the work in Alaska; \$500 for Goodwill Mission, South Dakota; \$1,000 for Asheville Farm School; \$750 for ten scholarships at Logan, Utah, and \$1,000 for Freedmen, to be applied to teachers' salaries at Harbison College, Abbeville, S. C.

On motion it was

Resolved, That we ask the officers of each local society to appoint a Vice-President to call the attention of the Sunday-school Superin-

tendents to the Thanksgiving program, urging its use on the Sunday preceding Thanksgiving Day, and that an offering be made on that day for the mission school work in Cuba and Porto Rico.

Mrs. Erdman, of Morristown, took the chair. A memorial was presented referring to the death of Mrs. Langdon, as follows:

On May 9th, 1902, one of the Vice-Presidents of this Society, Mrs. Charles H. Langdon, entered into "the joy of our Lord." It is certainly most fitting that we should put on record some testimony of our appreciation of Mrs. Langdon's work with us for this great cause of Home Missions. Mrs. Langdon was our accurate, painstaking Recording Secretary for several years, always regular in her attendance upon our meetings and prompt in looking after every detail of her work. Her pleasant greetings, her bright, cheerful face and her fervent prayers are precious memories to all who knew her. Her ready sympathy for our missionaries in their trials and her personal efforts to aid them in many ways were a constant inspiration to us. Though rarely able of late to attend our meetings, her interest continued unabated to the last, and how much we are indebted to her prayers for the increased receipts and continued success in our work eternity alone will reveal. Mrs. Langdon was interested in every good work, but the Home Mission cause wound itself about her very heart strings. To labor for it was a pleasure, self-denial was only felt with regard to it when failing health made it absolutely necessary for her to relinquish her work. When obliged to resign the office of Recording Secretary, we were so unwilling to part with her altogether that we insisted upon her becoming one of our Vice-Presidents, which office she held to the close of her life. By this brief review of the work of this "handmaiden of the Lord" may we be led to more entire consecration to our Master's service, remembering we are no longer our own, but have been bought with the precious blood of Christ.

It was on motion

Resolved, That this memorial be entered on the minutes and that a copy be sent to the family of Mrs. Langdon.

The report of the Nominating Committee was presented and adopted, resulting in the election of officers as follows:

President—MRS. W. E. HONEYMAN, Plainfield.

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

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

MRS. J. R. GIBSON, Newark.

MRS. D. C. BLAIR, Belvidere.

MRS. S. B. KETCHAM, Pennington.

MRS. H. D. ZANDT, Jamesburg.

MRS. J. M. PAULDING, Daretown.

MRS. M. J. GILDERSLEEVE, Westfield.

Corresponding Secretary—MRS. E. C. MILES, Roselle.

Recording Secretary—MISS E. D. PAXTON, Princeton.

Secretary of Literature—MRS. WILLIAM NELSON, Paterson.

- Secretary of Young People's Work*—MRS. F. S. BENNETT, Englewood.
Secretary for Freedmen—MRS. F. S. IRWIN, 139 Hollywood Avenue,
 East Orange.
Treasurer of Contingent Fund—MRS. J. H. MANNING, Plainfield.

SYNODICAL COMMITTEES.

ELIZABETH.

- Mrs. J. F. Pingry, Elizabeth.
 Mrs. E. C. Miles, Roselle.
 Mrs. E. B. Cobb, Elizabeth.
 Mrs. J. N. 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. Alexander Campbell, Jersey City.
 Mrs. William Nelson, Paterson.

MONMOUTH.

- Mrs. J. D. Long, Freehold.
 Mrs. J. L. Ewing, Jamesburg.
 Mrs. Clenahan, Burlington.

MORRIS AND ORANGE.

- Mrs. Robert Aikman, Madison.
 Mrs. J. B. Beaumont, Morristown.
 Mrs. Albert Erdman, Morristown.
 Mrs. G. W. B. Cushing, East Orange.
 Mrs. Richard Allen, Chatham.

NEWARK.

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

NEW BRUNSWICK.

Mrs. S. B. Ketcham, Pennington.
 Mrs. Charles Brearley, Trenton.
 Mrs. Elmer E. Green, Trenton.
 Miss Margaret Sloan, Trenton.
 Miss E. D. Paxton, Princeton.

NEWTON.

Miss Isabel Stewart, Washington.
 Miss Frances McMurtrie, Newton.
 Mrs. William Morrow, Belvidere.
 Mrs. William Thomson, Stewartsville.

WEST JERSEY.

Mrs. J. M. Paulding, Daretown.
 Mrs. John M. Moore, Clayton.
 Miss S. M. Sheppard, Greenwich.
 Miss Alice Richman, Daretown.

The Committee on Place of Meeting reported, extending an invitation from the Prospect Street Church in Trenton for the meeting next year. Upon motion, this invitation was accepted.

The Committee on Resolutions reported as follows:

As the beautiful sunshine has been flooding God's world to-day, enabling a large number of our women to come up to this, our twenty-fifth anniversary, so the Sun of Righteousness has been filling our hearts, teaching us by the words of these speakers and leaders, that the only life worth living is the life given up to the will of the Blessed Master. Since the dear Father has shown us what the power of the Holy Ghost can do in convincing lost souls of their sin and misery, inviting them to Christ and enabling them more and more to die unto sin and live unto righteousness,

Resolved, That we pray more faithfully and live more earnest lives and aid the Lord of the Harvest to gather in the souls eager to know the way.

We would rejoice with our dear friends, Mrs. Fred H. Pierson and Mrs. C. H. Langdon, who have been called to higher service and to rest from their labors, and we would resolve as we leave this mount to live and work each day as we would wish we had when we render our accounts to our Blessed Master.

We would heartily thank our officers who have given so much time and strength to these programs, the speakers who have inspired and cheered us, and to our hostesses who have cared so bountifully for our

physical comforts, and those who have led us in songs of praise to the Giver of all good things.

The minutes of the meeting were read.

The hymn, "God Bless Our Native Land," was sung, and the Rev. Albert Erdman, D.D., after some closing words, led in prayer and pronounced the benediction.

The number in attendance at this meeting was about 565.

ELIZABETH D. PAXTON,

Recording Secretary.

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

The swift-winged opportunity of 1901 is past.

How the responsibility of that fateful year has been met our report in some measure unfolds.

When the "Twelve," after being sent forth to their ordained work, returned to tell Jesus "all things," how much unrecorded history of failure and effort, weariness and pleasure, defeat and triumph lie hidden in that short record, the first printed missionary report—Mark 6:30.

That report was made to Him who is still sending forth His disciples and who is here to-day to receive ours.

We are thankful that there has been gain as a whole, notwithstanding loss at various points. Churches, 321; gain of 1. Auxiliaries, 217; gain of 12. Membership, 9,443; loss of 434. Contributions, \$30,195.55; gain of \$998.75, of which \$7,680.92 has been contributed by the Young People. There are 200 Christian Endeavor Societies, 82 Juniors and Intermediates, and about 130 Bands. More than half of the \$7,680.92 was given by the Bands, many C. E.'s not giving at all to Foreign Missions. The C. E.'s have given \$334.69 more than last year; the Juniors, \$44.06 more, and the Bands have advanced also.

These facts have been sent for this report by Mrs. Peter Stryker, Synodical Secretary for Young People.

From Miss Chandler, Synodical Secretary for Literature, we learn that there are 1,867 subscribers for "Woman's Work for Woman," and an increase of 91 subscriptions for "Over Sea and Land." There are eight study classes reported as using "Via Christi."

Elizabeth—Reports advance on every line. Another traveling library from Mrs. Robers of Basking Ridge has started on its helpful journey. Churches, 34; loss, 2. Auxiliaries, 27; gain, 2. Membership, 1,829; gain, 36. Contributions, \$5,022.64; gain, 14 cents.

Jersey City—Has not in all things lived up to her leader's watchword, "Forward." Twist the figures as we will, they do not give us gain in every column. Church, 38; gain 1. Auxiliaries, 20; gain, 1. Membership, 972; loss, 64. Contributions, \$2,572.97; gain, \$11.22.

Monmouth—Churches, 49. Auxiliaries, 30; loss, 2. Membership, 766; gain, 25. Contributions, \$2,651.39; gain, \$254.08.

Morris and Orange—Churches, 46; loss, 1. Auxiliaries, 29. Membership, 1,456; loss, 357. Contributions, \$7,630.23; gain, \$1,196.09, of which sum Philadelphia received \$5,628.93 and New York received \$1,101.30. We are glad to welcome Miss I. S. Brown, of Milburn, as Treasurer of Morris and Orange.

Newark—Reports "not a discouraging word from an auxiliary." Churches, 36. Auxiliaries, 23; gain, 1. Membership, not reported;

last year, 1,349. Contributions, \$5,792.82; gain, \$729.81. Another monthly missionary prayer meeting is added to the one reported in the Synod last year.

New Brunswick—Churches, 36. Auxiliaries, 32; gain, 3. Membership, 1,480; loss, 20. Contributions, \$4,143.32; gain, \$43.32.

Newton—Churches, 32; gain, 2. Auxiliaries, 27. Members, 794; loss, 54. Contributions, \$1,697.25; loss, \$119.91. Newton is full of hope in the face of serious loss of members by removal and death and that "two parishes have no pastor's wife."

West Jersey—Churches, 57; gain, 1. Auxiliaries, 27; gain, 13. Membership, 762. Contributions, \$1,471.84; loss, \$17.70. This Presbytery has taken a forward business step in having been incorporated.

It is good to note in different Presbyteries the many letters to and from the far-away fields. The missionaries need you quite as much as the money you send.

Those who, during the year have died "according to the word of the Lord," are:

Elizabeth—Mrs. F. H. Pierson, Vice-President.

Monmouth—Mrs. Van Schoïck, Vice-President.

Newark—Miss Helen G. Burnet, Miss Lavinia E. Baldwin, formerly Secretary of Literature.

New Brunswick—Rev. Thomas Long, of Dayton.

Newton—Twelve members, names not given.

"Thou shalt love and be loved forever; A hand like this hand
Shall throw open the gates of a new life to thee!

See, the Christ stand!

E'en so, it is so!"

It will help us to realize that our missionaries are ours in the Lord, and that the real chain that binds us to them is not money, but prayer, if while I read their names you engage in silent prayer for them—

Elizabeth—Miss Emma Morris, Woodstock, India; Mrs. William Harris, Chieng-Mai, Laos; Rev. George P. Pearson, Hokkaido, Japan.

Jersey City—Mrs. E. W. Ladd, Barranquilla, Colombia; Dr. W. H. Dobson, Yeung Kong, China; Rev. W. J. Drummond, Nanking, China.

Monmouth—Miss C. J. Riley, Medihan, Colombia; Miss C. H. Brown, Sidon, Syria; Rev. C. H. Bandy, Fatehgarh, India.

Morris and Orange—Mrs. Daniel McGilvary, Cheng-Mai, Laos; Mrs. J. B. Neal, Chinanfu, China; Miss Jessie Scott, Bogota, Colombia; Dr. Francis Cattell, Soo-Chow, China; Dr. Mary E. Fitch, Soo-Chow, China; Rev. A. V. Bryan, Matsuyama, Japan.

Newark—Miss Harriet Lewis, Miss E. M. Butler, Mrs. J. G. Kerr, Canton, China; Miss Edevena Cunningham, Ningpo, China; Mrs. Campbell, Kiung-Chow, China; Miss Adelaide A. Brown, Kodoli, India; Mrs. C. H. Irwin, Fusan, Korea; Mrs. T. S. Ogden, Baroka, Africa; Rev. John Inglis, Peking, China.

New Brunswick—Mrs. John Newton, Lahore, India; Miss Emily Forman, Fatehgarh, India; Mrs. J. H. Holcomb, Jhansi, India; Miss Ella Kuhl, Curityba, Brazil; Rev. C. A. Killie, Peking, China.

Newton—Miss Helen Goddard, Dehra, India; Mrs. Wm. J. Drummond, Nanking, China.

West Jersey—Rev. J. M. Goheen, Kolhapur, India.

My word to you is:

Fill up—draw out. Jer. 2: 7, 8.

CORNELIA EMES CONDUCT,
Corresponding Secretary.

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

The twenty-fifth annual meeting of the Woman's Synodical Society for Foreign Missions was held in the First Presbyterian Church, Morristown, N. J., October 16th, 1902. Mrs. Stevenson, the President, in the chair.

The morning session opened with the hymn, "I Love Thy Kingdom, Lord," followed by reading the one hundred and twenty-second Psalm and prayer by Mrs. Stevenson, of Roselle.

The report of the Corresponding Secretary, Mrs. Condict, was read and accepted, and at its close, prayer, both audible and silent, was offered for the missionaries under the care of our Synod.

The Secretary for Young People's Work, Mrs. Peter Stryker, of Bound Brook, opened her report with the happy ring of "Advance," and closed with an earnest appeal for more sympathy and help for the work of our young people by those connected with our Woman's Societies.

Next followed Miss Chandler, Secretary of Literature. Her report marked a general advance in the use of our missionary literature. She advised that Mission study classes be formed in all societies, as they have proved most helpful and interesting wherever they have been organized. This report was accepted.

Miss Colton Synodical Treasurer, reported a balance of \$55.70 in the treasury. The report was accepted.

After listening to these reports the congregation arose and joined in singing "Christ for the world we sing." The President then announced the Committees on Resolutions and Place. Then was given twenty minutes for questions and answers.

Miss Ellen Parsons, editor of "Woman's Work for Woman," was introduced as the first speaker of the day. She was intensely interesting as she related to us her visit to our Mission stations in India and Korea, telling that the work was most successfully and creditably carried on, and bringing back to us the message, "God is true"; His promises are being verified daily in these heathen nations; closing with the question, Is there anyone here that wishes she had done less?

Miss A. A. Brown, of India, spoke next, giving us a little insight to the awful famine of that country in 1900 and of what our missionaries had, through faith, been able to do. All then joined in singing, "More love to Thee, oh Christ."

A silver anniversary offering was then taken for the Indian Famine Orphanages.

Rev. Mr. Janvier, who was born in India, and a missionary there for fourteen years, stirred his audience by a very instructive address on the religions of India.

The report of Committee on Nominations was read and accepted.
The following officers were elected:

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

ELIZABETH PRESBYTERY.

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

JERSEY CITY PRESBYTERY.

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

MONMOUTH PRESBYTERY.

Mrs. Ella Stults, Cranbury.
Mrs. S. H. Thompson, Red Bank.

MORRIS AND ORANGE PRESBYTERY.

Mrs. G. W. B. Cushing, East Orange.
Mrs. A. J. Brown, Orange.

NEWARK PRESBYTERY.

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

NEW BRUNSWICK PRESBYTERY.

Mrs. E. M. Hunt, Trenton.
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NEWTON PRESBYTERY.

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Mrs. W. R. Scranton, Belvidere.

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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.

Then followed warm words of welcome by Mrs. Butterworth, of Morristown.

A devotional half-hour was led by Mrs. H. E. Mott, of Elizabeth. The minutes of the meeting were read and approved.

After singing the Doxology, the Society adjourned, to meet in the Prospect Street Church, Trenton, 1903.

MRS. J. H. OWENS,

Recording Secretary, Paterson, N. J.

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

Statistics.—The statistical reports for the last year show that Synod has under its care 420 Sabbath-schools, exclusive of 11 schools in the Presbytery of Corisco, a gain of 12 schools over the previous year. In these schools we have 8,140 officers and teachers, 65,223 scholars and 5,364 members of the Home Department, making the total membership of our Sabbath-schools 78,727, being a net gain of 1,458 over the previous year.

The Presbyteries showing a gratifying increase over last year's figures are: Jersey City, New Brunswick and Monmouth, while the Presbytery of Morris and Orange reports 12 new schools added during the past year.

During the year 2,353 scholars have been received into full membership of the church, an increase of 305 over last year's report, while 14,726 of our Sabbath-school scholars are reported as now being in full membership.

In the Home Department the figures show a loss of five Home Department classes, but a gain in membership of 157. The present number of departments being 122, with a membership of 5,364. The Presbytery of New Brunswick leads with a total of 1,011; West Jersey reports 929, while Elizabeth and Morris and Orange each report a membership of over 700. A somewhat new and very hopeful department of our work is the establishment of Normal classes for teacher training, of which we have now 28, with a membership of 445.

Offerings.—The churches and schools of the Synod show an increasing loyalty to our Board of Publication and Sabbath-school Work. Three hundred and twelve of Synod's 342 churches contributed to this Board the sum of \$12,281, being an increase of \$763 over the previous year. It is to be regretted that among the 30 non-contributing churches and schools are to be found some of the largest and financially the strongest within our bounds.

Catechetical Instruction.—In 264 of our 420 schools the Westminster Shorter Catechism is taught, as against 271 reported the previous year. This revival in the study of the Catechism is not confined to the Synod of New Jersey, but is widespread throughout our entire church, as is witnessed by the fact that last year the Board awarded 1,096 Bibles as prizes to scholars under eighteen years of age who had correctly recited the Westminster Shorter Catechism, and the total number of Bibles thus distributed during the past fourteen years has been 23,869.

Mission Work.—This work has been carried on during the last year in 23 Synods and 98 Presbyteries, comprising 31 States and Territories, also in the city of Havana, Cuba. Ninety-seven missionaries were engaged in this pioneer work, preparing the way for the home

missionary and the church to follow. The number of Sabbath-schools organized during the year was 773; reorganized, 338; total, 1,111, with an aggregate membership of 3,916 officers and teachers and 35,944 scholars. Two thousand one hundred and thirty-four schools were under the care of these missionaries at the close of the year 1901. Sixty-six churches have grown out of these Sunday-schools during the year, of which 54 are Presbyterian churches. Since the creation of this department in 1887, 1,094 churches have been organized from its Sabbath-schools, of which 651 are Presbyterian churches.

It is a matter of deep gratitude to God that the Sabbath-school work of our church (which for the past few years showed alarming signs of decline in numbers and interest) now shows an increase over the previous year in every item reported. We have gained 143 schools; 3,314 officers and teachers; 9,819 scholars; a total gain of 13,133. At the same time the average attendance has increased 5,852, which shows more loyalty and earnest work in the schools themselves. The Home Department has increased by 268 classes and 8,207 members. The total membership of our Presbyterian Sabbath-schools is now 1,127,195, an increase of 21,340 over the previous year; 39,398 scholars were received last year into the fellowship of the church, an increase of 10,055 over the previous year, while 233,014 Sabbath-school scholars are reported as being in full membership of our churches. Surely these facts will call for more earnest and prayerful work in this part of the Lord's vineyard, that our children and youth may be taught that fear of God and knowledge of His word, which shall fit them for the largest usefulness to the church of the present and the future. "That our sons may be as plants grown up in their youth, and our daughters as corner-stones hewn after the fashion of a palace."

Your Committee would urge upon all our churches and Sabbath-schools increased loyalty to our Board of Sabbath-school Work in the matter of gifts. Let it be remembered that every dollar given to this Board goes directly into the missionary work for which it was meant, without any deduction for expenses of administration, this Board of the church having the unique distinction of being its own largest contributor. Last year the sum of \$24,174.51 was turned over by the Business Department to the missionary work of the Board; not a cent of the church collections was needed, therefore, for administration expenses of every kind. Our church through the General Assembly has over and over again called for greater means for this special work, naming \$200,000 as the least amount that should be raised annually for this purpose, and yet last year—the best on record—the total amount raised for this noble work of our church from all sources was only 105,017.28. A great church which can expend, as it did last year, close upon \$750,000 on Home Missions, of which about \$275,000 was for the special mission-school work of the Woman's Board, and for the work of Foreign Missions not far from a million dollars, ought not to stint the great Sabbath-school missionary work to a trifle over \$100,000. As the work of our church it should commend itself to all our people in preference to any outside Sabbath-school agency, however good in

itself such agency may be. A Presbyterian should honor his own church and support her institutions before exhausting his means on enterprises of an undenominational character.

We would also urge loyalty to the publications of the Board, which are admitted to be among the very best of their kind. We believe that if many more of our churches and schools can be educated to try whether the best may not be found here, in the issues of our own press, we should find the Board adding untold millions to the issues sent out year by year.

Your Committee would recommend for adoption the following resolutions:

1. That Synod reaffirms the recommendation that Normal and Home Department classes be established in all our schools as far as possible, in order that parents may themselves receive the aid to Christian living that comes from systematic study of the Word of God, and be led to appreciate the importance of the Sabbath-school in the training of their children for Christ and the Church; and that our older scholars may receive that training which shall fit them to become themselves teachers of the Word in our Sabbath-schools.

2. That all our Sabbath-schools be urged to observe 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 to the Sabbath-school Missionary Work of the Board.

3. That all our pastors and church sessions be urged to bring this work before their churches, so as to secure a yearly contribution to it.

4. That the attention of pastors and superintendents be specially directed to the third recommendation of the last General Assembly, viz.: "That churches and Sabbath-schools have their attention called again to the especial excellence of the Hymnals, the Sunday-school periodicals and other publications of the Board."

HENRY C. CRONIN,

Chairman.

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

In making our ninth annual report, as in others, our Presbyterian chairmen speak the first word. Their reports, however, this year are briefer than ever before. From Elizabeth comes the word that "the C. E. work is prospering in our Presbytery." Morris and Orange says: "The suggestion was made that the Young People's Societies be asked to contribute to Synodical Home Missions. Also, a number of our societies conduct services in the Morris county almshouse, and many have been greatly interested in Fresh Air Work during the summer months." Newton says: "I think most of our societies are needing more spirituality, and just how to get this is the problem. We have started a plan of visitation of all societies in Presbytery, which is meeting with fair success." New Brunswick mentions no new features, but stands conspicuous and alone for meeting the full amount of \$600 for the support of Rev. Charles A. Killie, their assigned missionary in China. The oversight of the societies is thoroughly organized, each member of the committee being charged with his proper portion of correspondence and work. West Jersey says: "The results are quite like last year's. The Junior work is particularly strong and hopeful, but many Endeavorers are getting tired." The general view which we all see is well shown in the report from Monmouth: "The societies are about the same in number and work as last year. They keep up their services and help the local church in various ways. They are not aggressively evangelistic, however; that is, they do not grow very largely through the personal work of the members. That is the great need just now. It is due to the fact that the church itself is not doing that kind of work. The average society lives too much for itself, for all the world like an Episcopal altar guild. The Mission Bands form a study in themselves. They are not being worked as they should be. Dr. Halsey makes a point of urging their importance. The principal Presbyterian work of the societies of Monmouth is to raise the salary of Rev. C. H. Bandy, of India. They are also being brought into line to contribute to the salary of Rev. Mr. Craig, of New Mexico. We think it very desirable to have Presbyterian conventions of our societies, and hope to press this."

These reports are interesting and suggestive. They show the yearning for better things. Undoubtedly more could be done by our societies, in the way of individual work and missionary giving and Bible study. More thorough oversight would bring better results; but busy pastors are already overworked, and committees are poorly off with any other kind. New interest seems to be awakened in many quarters in Bible Study and Missions. This interest should be quickened by private reading, study classes and exercises in the local church, and by gatherings of near-by societies. The time is ripe for inexpensive

conferences of our young Presbyterians, which, if held in the pleasant part of the year, will be well attended and do great good.

The last Synod sent an overture to the General Assembly, asking "for the appointment of a Permanent Committee in the General Assembly on Young People's Societies, in order that the organization of this work already begun in many Presbyteries and Synods may be further developed, guided and reported on, in connection with the activities of our church as a whole." This was considered by the Assembly, and it was recommended "that a Special Committee of the Assembly be appointed, to formulate some plan whereby, without interfering with the interdenominational fellowship now enjoyed by them, the young people of our churches may have the results of their work regularly presented to the Assembly, and may receive the benefit of the guidance and inspiration of the church as a whole as represented in the Assembly." Perhaps we may once more hope that something good will at last be done. We would also call your attention to two amendments to our standards bearing on Young People's Societies. The first is now Chapter XXIII of the Form of Government, entitled, "Of The Organizations of The Church: Their Rights and Duties," to which we merely refer. (See Minutes of G. A. 1902, p. 164.) The other, which we quote, is new section 4 in the Directory for Worship, chapter VI, as follows (See Minutes of G. A., 1902, p. 166.): "The offerings of the Sabbath-school and of the various societies or agencies of the church shall be reported regularly to the Session of the church for approval, and no offerings or collections shall be made by them for objects other than those connected with the Presbyterian Church in the U. S. A., without the approval of the Session." We wish that all our Sessions might be informed of these actions, and through them all our churches, including the societies. To that end we suggest to all our pastors the advisability of reading the new sections to their churches or societies for their information.

I.—MISSIONARY ENTERPRISES.

The plan of the assigned missionary supported by Presbyterial groups of societies has worked well in our Synod from the very beginning. We submitted, last year, a complete list of the missionaries and their related Presbyterial groups. We have now nothing special to report, but only emphasize the fact that the largest support has been reached where Presbyterial oversight has been the most effective. It is also to be urged upon all our societies that our own Boards have comparatively few supporters outside our own church, and have greater claims upon us than outside enterprises, however attractive, whether non-sectarian or interdenominational.

II.—THE CHRISTIAN TRAINING COURSE.

A great deal of interest has been excited during the year in matters pertaining to Bible Study and Missions. This is indeed a time for us

to improve. If we cannot sustain study classes, we can get many to study privately the books we recommend. A good little manual on the study class is one by T. H. P. Sailer, of Philadelphia. As valuable text-books for guilds have appeared we have called them to your attention, and have arranged them suitably as a course. We suggest the following for 1903:

(1) *Biblical Department*—"How to Study the English Bible," by Canon Girdlestone; cloth, 40 cents. An excellent manual. Or, "Studies in the Book of Acts," by Robert E. Speer; paper, 25 cents. Suitable to accompany the Sunday-school Lessons in 1903.

(2) *Historical Department*—"The Creed of Presbyterians," by Rev. Egbert Watson Smith, D.D., cloth, 45 cents. An admirable book. Chapters 2 and 3 are of thrilling interest.

(3) *Missionary Department*—"Lux Christi," by Caroline Atwater Mason; paper, 30 cents. An outline study of India. This is the second book proposed by the Central Committee on the United Study of Missions, being the successor to "Via Christi," of which thirty-five thousand copies were sold. These books will be sent postpaid, Nos. 1, 3, 4 for \$1.15, or Nos. 2, 3, 4 for \$1.00, by the Fleming H. Revell Co., 156 Fifth avenue, New York.

III.—STATISTICS.

Our statistics as to contributions are based upon the reports of the Boards, and those as to membership are in part derived from the figures of the New Jersey Christian Endeavor Union. There are in Synod about 270 Christian Endeavor Societies with 8,000 members, and 140 Junior Endeavor Societies with 2,600 members. Our Young People's Societies of all kinds, including Mission Bands, number about 500, with 12,000 members. These gave to Synodical Home Missions \$359, or \$169 more than last year; to Home Missions, \$4,940, being \$3 more than last year; to Foreign Missions, \$7,477, an increase of \$217; to the Freedmen's Board, \$152, and to other Boards, \$142, or to all our Boards, \$13,070, being an advance on 1901 of \$434. This is not a large amount, but it is an advance on two years that were notable. The rate of giving is more than one dollar per member per year. This is encouraging. It is true better things are within our reach, but they will not be attained without "prayer and pains."

We recommend that the following resolutions be adopted by Synod:

1. That we ask all our societies, subject to advice of Session, to make a Thanksgiving offering of at least three dollars from each society to the work of Synodical Home Missions.

2. That where the Young People's Society is not flourishing we advise pastor and Session to study very carefully the whole situation, and to confer with the young people as to what ought to be done, and with their Presbyterial Committee, which will be very willing to give aid.

3. That all our Presbyterial Committees be requested to organize

more thoroughly their work with a view to reaching full support for their assigned missionaries.

4. That we especially call attention of Synod to the work among the young men of our congregations as being to-day a very pressing thing, and commend to favorable notice the Brotherhood of Andrew and Philip as a successful agency in this field.

5. That we call the attention of members of all the societies to the need of individual work on their part in behalf of their young friends who are not members of the society nor even of the Church, and urge them to the precious duty of personal effort for the unsaved.

HUGH B. MACCAULEY,
Chairman.

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

As the Ten Commandments cannot be submitted to local option, the necessity of obeying God's law obliges us to "Remember the Sabbath-day." But there must be more than a mere remembrance of it. Remembering that it is Sunday, and therefore a day at least partly free for personal and social pleasure, is not even a keeping of the letter of the law. Sunday is the Christian Sabbath, and we must remember it to keep it holy.

The oft-repeated regret must again be spoken. While the divine law is positive, many in our churches deliberately transgress the explicit commandments given by Jehovah, by Christ and by the Holy Spirit. We, elders and ministers, should be ensamples to the flocks over which God has made us overseers. Our acts and our words should be in the fullest harmony with the "Thus saith the Lord." The evil of Sabbath travel, not only by church members but by ministers of the gospel, has become so great that it cannot be overlooked in this report. Some ministers do not hesitate to take the steam-cars on Sabbath morning and go twenty miles to fill an appointment, and then return to their homes the same night. Some ministers start on long vacation trips on Sunday night, and some regularly go and come from their vacation home to their church on Sunday morning before church and on Sabbath evening after church. Such things give the people an apologetic which they use liberally when their own actions are called in question.

In spite of resolutions and remonstrances, the Sunday newspaper is still found in many homes of the members of our churches. But, rather than specify further breaches in keeping the Lord's Day holy, we would urge a deeper spiritual interest in the sacred character of the Sabbath. Having this, men will seek to know and do that which is suited to the character of the day. Each church, with its pastor, should be as active in the matter of Sabbath Observance as is the American Sabbath Union. They are a unit on the question.

At the present time unusual evangelistic efforts are being put forth. To gain the desired end, even the salvation of souls through the power of the Holy Spirit, we must fully honor the Trinne God. The Israelites were urged to "bring the whole tithe into the store-house," and then to prove God. To-day one of the necessities is to bring the whole *seventh* unto Him. We should keep the present commandments of God before we can honestly expect the opening of the windows of heaven. "Them that honor me I will honor."

The following resolutions are submitted for adoption:

I. That in accordance with the General Assembly resolution No. 4, which "enjoins," we urge "all ministers, officers and members of our churches, also all members of our Young People's Societies and Sabbath-schools, to exercise special care and faithfulness for the preserva-

tion, both by precept and example, of the sacred character of the Christian Sabbath."

2. That we call the attention of our ministers to the recommendation of the General Assembly, that during the month of April a sermon be preached on Sabbath Observance, and that if the way be clear an offering be made for the work of the American Sabbath Union, to be sent to Col. A. S. Bacon, 37 Liberty street, New York City.

3. That, again, we most heartily commend and warmly endorse the work of the American Sabbath Union and the Woman's National Sabbath Alliance in their faithful efforts to preserve in its purity the Christian Sabbath.

4. That the Chairman of the Committee on Sabbath Observance in each Presbytery of this Synod be directed to send an abstract of his latest report to the Chairman of Synod's Committee on Sabbath Observance at least ten days before the meeting of Synod.

SAMUEL D. PRICE,

Chairman.

XIV.—REPORT OF THE PERMANENT COMMITTEE ON TEMPERANCE.

Your Committee know of no new conditions in the matter of the use of intoxicants in this State. No State in the Union presents such a variety of conditions and races to be controlled by one system of laws as the State of New Jersey. In some sections there has been agitation in favor of Local Option. In other sections there has been good work done in the enforcement of existing laws. The General Assembly's Committee has done excellent work and deserves the liberal support of all the friends of the cause in our church. The work before us seems to be educational and personal rather than legal.

The attempt to enforce law, by individuals and by private societies, must necessarily be uncertain and fluctuating. The regular officers of the law should be required to attend to its enforcement. When these officers fail, the remedy seems to be to change the officers rather than to do their work for them. The value of civil law as a restraining power, at least in our country, seems to be very limited. In all our States there are laws prohibiting violence, and torture and the killing of men by mobs. Yet lynchings are of common occurrence, and in a considerable section of Pennsylvania law has been defied for months. If these occurrences teach us anything, they teach that no law can be enforced in communities where a majority or even a large minority of the people are opposed to such enforcement. Civil laws that go beyond public sentiment are not only useless, but in many cases harmful, in that they tend to discredit all law. If any advance can be in the liquor legislation of this State, it would seem to your Committee that it may be along one or more of the following lines:

1. Local option, which would give to those communities where the law could be enforced the opportunity to exclude the liquor traffic from their midst. Local option has long been in successful operation, and is increasing in popularity in many portions of our country.

2. A license limit, restricting the number of licenses to a certain proportion to the population. Such a law has been in use in Massachusetts for many years, and has recently been introduced into Vienna by the Austrian Government.

3. Increased penalties for the crime of drunkenness.

4. Provision for the restraint, with a view to the cure, of those who by persistent drunkenness show that they have lost self-control and are to be numbered with the insane. Such laws have also been recently passed by Austria, and would, therefore, probably not be considered offensive by the large German population of our State.

5. Penalties for public officials who neglect the enforcement of law.

These suggestions are far below our desires, but they are probably as far as we can go with any hope of success in legislation or enforcement.

But our chief reliance must be in the direction of personal example and public instruction. We would, therefore, call the attention of our pastors, elders and Sunday-school teachers, and of all teachers of secular schools to the importance of familiarizing themselves with the exact facts and earnestly presenting the subject on every suitable opportunity.

We recognize the fact that the selling of intoxicants to savage and to half-civilized races is discrediting Christian civilization and bringing destruction where we should bring salvation.

In view of the fact that Christian nations combine to exclude the liquor trade from the Congo Free State, and that the Senate of the United States, President McKinley and President Harrison and other distinguished authorities have said that they considered it right and practicable to extend the same prohibition to all other such races, we feel that the Synod should petition the general government to take action looking to such prohibition.

We therefore recommend the adoption of the following resolutions:

1. That this Synod respectfully calls the attention of the President of the United States to the grave evils connected with the selling of liquors to uncivilized peoples, especially in the western Pacific, and request that, in line with the late President McKinley's message of December 3d, 1900, he recommend to Congress the adoption of drastic measures to prevent this traffic.

2. That we believe that the good of humanity demands the extension of the principle of prohibition adopted by treaty in regard to the Congo Free State to all such races, so that contact with Christian civilization shall not involve the degradation or the destruction of the uncivilized.

3. That while we cannot hope as yet to see this traffic banished from our State, we can and do insist that the officers and members of our churches should not countenance it by signing applications for license, or renting premises for such purposes, or otherwise involving the name of our Church and the cause of Christ with a traffic which is directly responsible for a large proportion of the degradation and crime of our land.

4. That we call attention to the temperance literature published under the authority of our General Assembly, and urge its liberal use by our churches and a correspondingly liberal financial support of the General Assembly's Temperance Committee.

J. DE HART BRUEN,

Chairman.

XV.—REPORT OF THE PERMANENT COMMITTEE ON SYSTEMATIC BENEFICENCE.

The Committee on Systematic Beneficence, in presenting its report to Synod, begs leave to make reference first to the lamented death of its honored and beloved chairman, Rev. Thomas S. Long. After a brief illness, he died at his home in Dayton, N. J., on December 22d, 1901. For a period of seven years he had held the Chairmanship of this Committee, and was earnestly devoted to the cause which it represents. The reports of the Committee, which were prepared by his hand, were comprehensive, thorough and painstaking, and were calculated to give both information and stimulus to all who studied them. In his death we desire to bear testimony that the Synod has lost a faithful member and this Committee an efficient chairman.

But "though the workmen fall, the work goes on." Though our former leader is no longer among us to marshal the figures and tell the story of another year's work in this department of the church's activity, yet the figures have accumulated in goodly array, and there is now a story waiting to be told of them. So far as that story may be told in arithmetical type, we have it set forth in detail upon no less than eighteen pages of the Minutes of the General Assembly, and because the record is given with such completeness there we shall attempt here not so much to reproduce it as to summarize it and then emphasize certain features of it.

Viewing it, first, as a whole, it is found that the sum total of the Synod's beneficence to every cause is \$1,505,474. Of this amount, \$1,038,797 was credited to congregational purposes, while to the nine Boards the sum reported as given was \$380,671, which just about reaches one-fourth, or twenty-five per cent., of the grand total. In comparison with the other Synods, New Jersey stands third in the amount of her beneficence and first in per capita gift. The figures for the Synods which contribute as much as \$100,000 and upwards for all objects other than congregational are as follows:

<i>Synods.</i>	<i>Total Beneficence.</i>	<i>Per Capita.</i>
Pennsylvania,	\$1,225,379	N. J., \$6.55
New York,	1,030,356	N. Y., 5.54
New Jersey,	466,677	Penna., 5.46
Ohio,	415,334	Balt., 5.14
Illinois,	316,461	Ill., 4.37
Indiana,	151,877	Ohio, 3.97
Baltimore,	137,095	Ind., 3.47

As compared with last year, our Synod shows an increase in beneficence of \$32,427, and a per capita advance of 40 cents, which is a cause for much satisfaction. Our occupancy of first place among the Synods

in per capita gift is also gratifying, since last year we stood second to New York.

Towards the attainment of this honorable position, each one of the Presbyteries has, of course, contributed a share, which, together with their respective per capita gift, is set forth in the following table, again including all contributions except congregational:

<i>Home Presbyteries.</i>	<i>Amt. of Beneficence.</i>	<i>Home Presbyteries.</i>	<i>Per Capita.</i>
Elizabeth,	\$161,136	Elizabeth,	\$16.75
Newark,	97,191	Morris and Orange,	7.80
Morris and Orange,	81,665	Newark,	7.78
New Brunswick,	36,574	New Brunswick,	4.00
West Jersey,	28,655	Jersey City,	3.63
Jersey City,	28,137	West Jersey,	3.50
Monmouth,	19,342	Monmouth,	2.97
Newton,	13,840	Newton,	2.47

Comparing these amounts with the corresponding ones for last year, we find that the four Presbyteries of Elizabeth, Newark, Morris and Orange, and West Jersey have each increased their beneficence, while the remaining four Presbyteries of New Brunswick, Jersey City, Monmouth, and Newton have each given somewhat less.

So far as the Boards are concerned, the contributions to them are, as a whole, \$30,458 in advance of last year, and every Board has shared in this increase, with the single exception of the Board of Foreign Missions, which fell \$2,895 short. In Presbyterian gifts to the Boards, Elizabeth surpassed all the other Presbyteries in the amount of its beneficence to Home Missions, Foreign Missions, Freedmen, Synodical Aid, and Aid for Colleges; the Presbytery of Newark excelled the others in its offerings to the Boards of Education and Church Erection; the Presbytery of West Jersey made the largest contribution to the Board of Sunday-school Work; the Presbytery of Morris and Orange the largest to the Board of Ministerial Relief—five firsts for Elizabeth, two for Newark, and one each for West Jersey and Morris and Orange.

But while it is true that each one of the Presbyteries has had some part in making up the sum total of the Synod's beneficence to the Boards of the church, we wish it might also be true that each individual church throughout the Synod had likewise had its part in this same good work. This has been a point on which your Committee has laid much stress for a number of years, and that we are not alone in thinking it important is evidenced by the fact that for the past two or three years, and under the direction of two different chairmen, the General Assembly's Committee on Systematic Beneficence has made this the chief point of emphasis in its work. Within a month past this Committee has been sending out circular letters urging pastors and Sessions, through the Presbyterian chairmen, to make this the goal

of their endeavor for the current ecclesiastical year; namely, to secure a contribution from every church to every Board. We, therefore, feel that we are amply justified in continuing to urge this matter; for, once accomplish the result of persuading the churches generally and habitually to contribute to every Board, and these many and constant rills from all over our land will flow together in one united stream, which will refresh unfailingly all our benevolent work. Moreover, that this idea is feasible and attainable is made manifest by the fact that two of our Presbyteries—New Brunswick and Monmouth—have for a series of years filled all their blanks in the benevolent columns; with them the custom seems to have become a confirmed habit. Be it known also, that two other of our Presbyteries have, during the past year, almost reached this same goal, our Foreign Missionary Presbytery, Corisco, having only six blanks, and Elizabeth, having but three churches out of its entire thirty-three which show any blanks. And this group of four of our Presbyteries has attained the results above mentioned not because the conditions particularly favored them, or because it was especially easy in their case. On the contrary, does not the situation rather present itself in this wise: If the Foreign Missionary Presbytery of Corisco, and the largely Home Missionary Presbytery of Monmouth (20 of its 48 churches are Home Mission churches), and, by way of further variety, the more favored Presbyteries of New Brunswick and Elizabeth, can, and do, fill, or so nearly fill, all their blanks, do they not thereby lay necessity upon their five sister Presbyteries to show cause why they should not realize more nearly the same result?

A table is subjoined which shows the position of each one of our Presbyteries in this matter:

<i>Presbyteries.</i>	<i>Churches.</i>	<i>Churches failing to fill all Blanks.</i>	<i>Blanks in 1902.</i>	<i>Blanks in 1901.</i>
Corisco	11	6	6	18
Elizabeth,	33	3	15	34
Jersey City,	38	25	120	117
Monmouth,	48	..	..	..
Morris and Orange,	46	12	31	29
Newark,	36	13	47	54
New Brunswick,	36	..	..	..
Newton,	35	12	53	37
West Jersey,	59	30	155	136
	342	102	427	425

From this table it will be seen that almost one-third of our churches disregard the oft-repeated injunction of the Assembly that every church should make an offering to every Board. This is a large proportion of failure, about one church in three, and suggests that there is still work to be done in this direction. And, further, this table localizes, as well

as averages this defect in our beneficence, and we observe that for some reason which does not appear on the surface more than three-fourths of all our blanks are furnished by the three Presbyteries of Newton, West Jersey and Jersey City, the first two having increased the number of their blanks last year by 16 and 19 respectively, and the last showing that 68 per cent. of its churches do not fill all their blanks, though diligent effort for fuller columns is reported by the Presbyterial Committee.

But let it be clearly understood that neither does your Committee plead, nor do we understand the Assembly's Committee to plead for a mere perfunctory filling of the blanks, for the sake of a sentiment only, and with any nominal sum. Nay, rather do we speak of them as simply affording a suitable channel for the expression of our loyal and generous beneficence to all the Boards. Those empty spaces, as they extend out opposite the names of the churches, represent a line of blessed privilege, of splendid opportunity. They stand for so many approved depositories into which we may put our Lord's money, and through which we may touch and help our fellowmen close about us, and those farther away. So to your Committee it seems that those churches which fail to give to the appointed agencies of the church deny themselves a great privilege, and so far forth limit the operations of that church in its world-wide mission, as well as mar the symmetry of the published record of its beneficence.

Your Committee offers the following resolutions for adoption:

1. That we express our sorrow at the loss by death of Rev. Thomas S. Long, who for seven years was the honored chairman of this Committee, and who rendered earnest and devoted service in the cause which it represents.

2. That while rejoicing at the extent to which our churches have abounded in the grace of Christian beneficence during the year, we still "count not that we have apprehended," but with increasing numbers and ever-widening doors of opportunity summon ourselves to a yet more generous and cheerful serving of the Master with our substance.

3. That pastors and sessions be urged to set before their churches the ideal so frequently upheld by the General Assembly of "an offering every year, for every Board, from every church and from every member in the church," and to labor, both by precept and example, for the realization of this high aim.

WM. P. FINNEY.

XVI.—REPORT OF THE CUSTODIANS OF HISTORICAL MATERIAL.

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

From Mrs. William Swan:

Memorial, Rev. William Swan, 1901.

From the Rev. William Imbrie, D.D.:

Memorial, Rev. Charles K. Imbrie, D.D.

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

Year Book, Second Church, Elizabeth, 1902.

Presbyterian Church in Newark, Nineteenth Century, Wm. Rankin, LL.D., Rev. David R. Frazer, D.D.

Family of John Crane, Elizabeth and Cranford, 1899.

Semi-Centennial, Third Church, Elizabeth, 1901.

Sermon on Horse Racing, Dr. McDowell, 1809.

Sermons on various occasions, Rev. David Magie, D.D.

Hoagland Memorial Church, Dover, 1899.

Fac-simile Westminster Shorter Catechism, 1648.

Review of Kirwan, Bishop Hughes, 1848.

Programs of Sunday Anniversary Celebrations, Churches of Elizabeth, &c.

Year Book, St. John's Parish, Elizabeth, 1899.

Caldwell and the Revolution, Dr. Kempshall, 1880.

First Church, Bergen Point, 1900.

Cranford, Semi-Centenary, Rev. George F. Greene, 1901.

Sundry duplicates of matter previously reported.

From the family of the late Rev. John T. Duffield, D.D.:

History of Princeton Theological Seminary, 1838.

Historical Sketch, College of New Jersey, 1859.

Planting of Princeton, Rev. John DeWitt, 1861.

Princeton Seminary, Semi-Centennial, Sprague, 1862.

Second Century of First Church, Elizabeth, Sprague, 1867.

Presbyterian Church, Cherry Valley, New York, Swinnerton, 1876.

Fortieth Anniversary, University Place Church, New York, 1895.

Gov. William Paterson, William Paterson, 1806.

Stephen Grellet, Rev. Cortlandt Van Rensselaer, D.D., 1855.

Charles Hodge Dod, Memorial, 1864.

David Magie, D.D., Memorial, 1865.

J. Robbins Schenck, Memorial, 1865.

Joseph Henry, Memorial, James C. Welling, 1878.

- Joseph Henry, Dr. Macloskie, 1894.
 H. W. Hunt. Memorial, 1882.
 Atwater Memorial, 1883.
 Arnold Guyot, Ph.D., LL.D., Memorial, 1884.
 Stephen Alexander, Charles A. Young, 1884.
 I. Williams Cochran. Memorial, 1889.
 A. A. Hodge, Memorial, Dr. Patton, 1887.
 James C. Moffat, D.D., Memorial, 1890.
 Joseph Henry and the Telegraph, Edward N. Dickerson, LL.D., 1885.
 St. Paul and Inspiration, Inaugural Discourse, Rev. Geo. T. Purves, D.D., 1892.
 Church History, Inauguration of Rev. John DeWitt, D.D., Lane Seminary, 1883.
 Inauguration of Dr. John Maclean, 1854.
 Inauguration of Dr. A. A. Hodge, 1877.
 Inauguration of President McCosh, 1868.
 Inauguration of President Patton, 1888.
 Inaugural, Rev. Charles A. Aiken, D.D., 1871.
 Baccalaureate Sermon, President Carnahan, 1854.
 Baccalaureate Sermon, President Maclean, 1859.
 Baccalaureate Sermon, President Patton, 1890.
 Opening Alexander Hall and Baccalaureate, President Patton, 1894.
 Address to Senior Class, Princeton Seminary, 1884, Dr. Maclean.
 Sermon, Rev. John Maclean, D.D., 1846.
 Sermon, Farewell, First Church, Princeton, Dr. Schenck, 1852.
 Sermon, Religion in College, President Patton, 1889.
 Sermon, Moral Courage, Dr. Murray, 1893.
 Sermon, Farewell, Ann Arbor, Mich., Rev. S. W. Duffield, 1874.
 Sermon, Burlington Disaster, Rev. F. Reck Harbaugh, 1855.
 Sermon, Blessed Hope, Dr. Duffield, 1867.
 Presbyterian Historical Almanac, 1868.
 Report of Committee of General Assembly on Baptized Children, 1812.
 Bible Society in the State of New Jersey, 1828.
 Duty of the General Assembly, Rev. Wm. H. Hornblower, D.D., 1861.
 Fourth of July in Princeton, 1861.
 Declaration and Testimony, 1865.
 Laying of Corner-stone of Observatory, Prof. Alexander, 1866.
 Centennial Celebration in Princeton, Wm. C. Ulyat, 1877.
 Laws of the College of New Jersey, 1886.
 Comedy of Historical Errors, Historicus, 1895.
 Princeton College Administration in the Eighteenth Century, DeWitt, 1897.
 Monmouth Battle Monument, 1884.
 Princeton in Spanish-American War, 1898.
 Religious Education in College, Dr. VanRensselaer, 1853.
 Address at Rutgers College, Joseph P. Bradley, 1849.
 Address, Samuel L. Southard, LL.D., 1837.
 Mr. Dayton's Address at Princeton, A. Ogden, 1839.

- Common School System, Rev. John Maclean, 1829.
 Report, Princeton Board of Education, 1858.
 Plea for Higher Education, 1863.
 Seminary Alumni Association, 1876.
 Giving or Entertainment, Rev. Joseph S. VanDyke, D.D., 1883.
 Ode at Dedication of Library Building, University of Michigan, Rev. George Duffield, D.D., 1884.
 Spirit and Ideals of Princeton, Andrew West, 1894.
 Progressive Presbyterianism, Robert C. Ogden, 1899.
 Sundry duplicates of material previously reported.

From the Rev. John T. Kerr:

Semi-Centennial, Third Church, Elizabeth, 1901.

From the family of the late Rev. A. Nelson Hollifield, D.D.:

Sermon, "Shall We Legalize Sabbath Desecration and Gambling?" 1891.

From the Presbytery of West Jersey, through the Rev. Allen H. Brown:

Collection of historical papers concerning churches in the Presbytery of West Jersey, ministers, judicial cases, etc.

From the Rev. Amzi L. Armstrong:

Fortieth Anniversary Sermon; Dutch Neck, Rev. A. L. Armstrong, 1897.

From the Rev. Allen H. Brown:

- Photograph, burial place of Mrs. R. Hamill Nassau, West Africa.
 Photograph, Mrs. R. Hamill Nassau.
 Autograph letters, Rev. Robert J. Breckenridge, Rev. John M. Krebs, D.D., Rev. Samuel Miller, D.D., Rev. James W. Alexander, D.D., and others.
 Minutes of the Trustees of the Third Church, Camden, 1888-93.
 Baxter's Saints' Everlasting Rest. Christian library, v. 37. press of Isaac Collins, Burlington, 1744.
 Journal of the Life, Travels and Labours in the Work of the Ministry of John Griffith, 1780, Presbyterian Church at Barnegat, 1767.
 History of the Presbytery of Luzerne, Pa., by Rev. J. Osmond, with introduction by Rev. N. G. Parke, D.D., 1897.
 Manual of Calvary Presbyterian Church, Camden, N. J., 1898.
 Manual of the Presbyterian Church of Jamesburg, N. J., 1887.
 Manual of the Presbyterian Church of Madison, N. J., 1876.
 The Order for Church Government of the Orange Valley Church.
 Manual of Presbytery of Monmouth, 1872, two copies.
 Manual of the Presbytery of Morris and Orange, 1870 to 1875.
 Manual of the Presbytery of New York, 1873-1874. Prepared by S. D. Alexander.
 Manual of the Presbytery of West Jersey, 1860, 1870, 1873, 1880, 1892, 1899.

Manual of the Presbytery of Jersey City, 1871, 1872, 1870-1880, 1885.

Manual of the Presbytery of Jersey City, No. 2, 1872.

The Standing Rules of the Presbytery of Morris and Orange, 1889, 1900.

The Standing Rules of the Presbytery of New Brunswick, 1870, 1884, 1899.

Memorial Sermon on President Garfield, by Rev. Robert Aikman, D.D., 1881.

An address delivered before the Synod of New York, by James W. Alexander, D.D., 1845.

Two Theories Concerning Christ's Coming, by Rev. L. C. Baker.

Memoir of David Harris, by B. Rush Bateman, M.D.

The Towers Thereof, a sermon by Rev. Sylvester W. Beach, 1892.

The Presbyterian Ministers' Home at Perth Amboy, N. J., by Rev. William C. Cattell, D.D.

Ministers, Their Education and Support, by Rev. Charles Hodge, D.D.

The Lord's Supper, by Rev. Samuel T. Lowrie, 1888.

Historical Sketch of the Missions in Africa under the Board of Foreign Missions of the Presbyterian Church, by Rev. R. H. Nassau, M.D., 1881.

Historical address before the Somerset County Bible Society, by Rev. John C. Rankin, D.D., 1892.

Thanksgiving sermon, by Edward P. Shields, 1858.

The Century and the Book, a discourse on the Twenty-sixth Anniversary of the Cape May County Bible Society, by Rev. E. P. Shields, 1876.

A sermon in memoriam of the Rev. Alexander Proudfit, D.D., by Rev. George Wilson Tomson, 1897.

Ruby Windows, a sermon by Rev. Thomas Tyack, D.D., 1894.

Bible Baptism, by Rev. J. W. Wood, 1843.

In Memoriam, a sermon on Mrs. E. J. Scott, by Rev. J. S. Woodside, India, 1892.

Addresses at the inauguration of the Faculty of the German Theological School of Newark, N. J.

The Story of Newark, by Frederick W. Ricord.

Golden Jubilee of the First Presbyterian Church of Manasquan, N. J., 1898.

Two sermons, by Rev. Jonathan Freeman, MS.

A sermon, by Samuel Beach Jones, D.D., MS.

Many duplicates of material previously reported.

From the Presbytery of Newark:

Sundry records of the Synod of New York and New Jersey for the completion of the Synod's file.

WALTER A. BROOKS,

JOSEPH H. DULLES,

Custodians.

XVII.—REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON HISTORICAL MATERIALS.

Taking up the items which were mentioned in the last Annual report, your Committee report progress all along the line.

The Presbytery of West Jersey has appointed a committee to raise six hundred dollars to commemorate, by a monument, the establishment of the Old Cohansey (now Fairfield) Church, coeval with that of Freehold. The value of the Colonial Archives is manifest since they throw light upon the origin of this church when they give us a copy of a letter from Dr. Daniel Coxe and one from the West Jersey Proprietors, both written in 1692 to the Rev. Thomas Bridges, the first minister of that church, urging him to come from the Bermudas and labor among the people of Cohansey, and promising him moral and financial support. The Archives also furnish the copy of a very interesting bond, whereby twenty-six of the early settlers and founders of the church bound themselves to one another to forfeit twenty pounds each if they did not pay the assessment on their estates proportionately for the support of a minister and of a school. That bond was given in 1697, more than two hundred years ago.

While the Presbytery must depend largely upon its churches and the descendants of the founders and friends of that church for the funds to commemorate the earliest events of their ecclesiastical history, the Committee will thankfully accept from other portions of the Synod voluntary offerings for this monument in memory of the founders of the first church in the province of West Jersey to be recognized by the original Presbytery in 1708.

The Presbyterian Historical Society has shown its appreciation of the John Boyd tombstone by placing it at 520 Witherspoon Building, upon an elaborate and costly framework, using in part the wood from the locust trees which once shaded the grave of John Boyd. The Historical Monument which the Synod erected over that grave was at our last report apparently in as good condition as when it was first erected.

The Committee who were appointed to secure a deed of the Old Scots Burial Ground for the sole purpose of improving it decided not to prosecute that effort, because it might awaken unprofitable opposition and contention, and instead thereof have negotiated a legal agreement between the "First Presbyterian Church of the County of Monmouth," or Tennent Church, of the one part, and "The Trustees of the Synod of New Jersey," of the second part, whereby representatives of both corporate bodies will co-operate in making improvements from time to time, and use the income of the Permanent Monumental Fund to defray the expense of the said betterment.

To the Permanent Monumental Fund an additional sum has been contributed by the Presbytery of Newton. This fund has been invested

in a mortgage upon property in the city of Trenton, as will more particularly appear by the reports of the Trustees of the Synod and of their Treasurer.

A special committee was appointed to secure the original Charter of the incorporation of "The Trustees of the Presbyterian Church of Monmouth County," signed by Governor Belcher in 1749, and will make a separate report to this Synod.

Finally, the new effort to obtain facsimile copies of the inscriptions on the tombstones of Presbyterian ministers, and of their wives as well, who have been buried within the present territory of this Synod, has been prosecuted with encouraging success, by the help of others, and yet in so large a work only a beginning has been made.

Among the sources of information on this subject *Alden's American Epitaphs*, in five small volumes, published in 1814, informs us where to find some in New Jersey, but, unfortunately for our purpose, they are printed in continuous or solid lines, and cannot be used by your Committee, because, though the words and dates may be correct, they are not facsimile copies.

Two other volumes, by Wheeler and Halsey, avoid this error, giving the inscriptions in the burying ground of the First Presbyterian Church of Elizabeth, also at Whippany and Hanover.

Inscriptions upon the tombs of the Presidents of the College of New Jersey are found in Doctor Maclean's History of the College.

Some valuable information may be obtained also from the Histories of Churches in Newark, Elizabeth, Trenton and Hopewell (now Pennington), by Doctors Stearns, Hatfield, Hall, Hale and others. And yet we must make our appeal to the members of this Synod to supplement all these sources of information by sending to your Committee, as a labor of love, inscriptions which may be found in their own localities, and which otherwise may remain unknown.

We emphasize the fact, and must repeat, that with a brief description of the locality, material and style of the tomb, we desire that the copy of the inscription shall be as nearly a facsimile as possible, line for line, and word for word. For uniformity and convenience of binding we suggest that each inscription occupy one page of a letter sheet, in size eight by ten inches, and with one inch margin on all sides.

These collected epitaphs will honor and keep in memory many departed worthies, and will add much to our own biographical, ecclesiastical and historical knowledge.

It is worthy of notice and of approval that the Annual Necrological Report of the Theological Seminary at Princeton records not only the date and place of the death of its students, but also the *burial place* of every one. Thus, the last report (1902) gives the names of sixty-two who had died, of whom eight had been buried within the present territory of the Synod of New Jersey, including one, David H. Devor, in West Africa.

West Africa! Yes! This reminds us, and let us not forget, that the far away Presbytery of Corisco belongs to this Synod. The honored

Stated Clerk of that Presbytery and Ex-Moderator of Synod, Dr. Nassau, in a letter of last April, enumerates from memory the names of seventeen missionaries, male and female, who are buried at six different stations in that far-off land, and adds there are many others whose names he does not recall. Some of these stations have been abandoned, *e. g.*, Nengenenge-Island and Angom, and Evanga-simba and Talaguga. Some of our beloved dead sleep in the wilderness, some in neglected graves, almost unknown, except to the eye of the Omniscent One. The Scripture saith, "The righteous shall be in everlasting remembrance" (Psalm 112-6). Let us do what we can to keep them in remembrance. And again, "The memory of the just is blessed" (Prov. 10-7). We shall be blessed if we keep in remembrance these heroes and heroines who have laid down their lives for Christ and His Church in distant Africa.

Your Committee recommend these resolutions:

1. *Resolved*, That the Synod commends to the liberality of all who are able to contribute, the effort to erect a monument commemorative of the first church in the Province of West Jersey, which was recognized by the original Presbytery in 1708.

2. *Resolved*, To renew the recommendation of last year in regard to the gathering of the epitaphs on the tombs of deceased Presbyterian Ministers and their wives who have been buried within the territory of the Synod.

ALLEN H. BROWN,
JOHN C. CLYDE,
EBEN B. COBB,
HENRY C. CAMERON,
CHARLES HERR,
R. HAMILL NASSAU,
STANLEY WHITE,
FRANK R. SYMMES,
JOSEPH F. FOLSOM.

Historical Committee.

XVIII.—REPORT OF SPECIAL COMMITTEE ON THE OLD TENNENT CHARTER.

The Special Committee on the Old Tennent Charter, appointed by the Synod of 1901, would respectfully report as follows:

In accordance with the instructions of Synod, you Committee corresponded with the pastor, Rev. Frank R. Symmes, and the officers of the First Presbyterian Church of the County of Monmouth, otherwise called "Old Tennent," with a view to having them transfer to the care of Synod the old charter.

This document, bearing the seal of the Province of Nova Cæsarea, is supposed to be the original charter of the incorporation of "The Trustees of the Presbyterian Church of Monmouth County," obtained in the twenty-third year of King George the Second, dated the twenty-first day of February, 1749, and signed by Governor Jonathan Belcher, and is now in a good state of preservation.

As a result of our correspondence, the officers of Old Tennent Church, consisting of the session, deacons and trustees, at a meeting called by the pastor, agreed to deposit among the archives of Synod their precious relic, upon condition of the acceptance by Synod of the following agreement:

THE AGREEMENT CONCERNING THE CUSTODY OF THE ROYAL CHARTER OF THE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH OF MONMOUTH COUNTY.

I. That the title of property and ownership of this document positively and permanently remain in the officers of the Old Tennent Church.

II. That the depositing of this document in the custody of the Synod of New Jersey is to be considered only and simply as a loan.

III. That the officers of the Old Tennent Church shall have the free and full right to take this document into their own custody at any time that they may so decide, and retain it thus as long as they may desire.

IV. That the Synod of New Jersey shall preserve this document under glass cover, so that it may be seen but not handled; and that they shall keep it continually in fire-proof apartments, from which it is not to be loaned without special agreement with the officers of the Old Tennent Church.

V. That the Synod of New Jersey furnish the officers of the Old Tennent Church a facsimile copy of this charter at the time that the agreement is signed.

Your committee has gladly accepted the terms of this agreement. We have now under our care the old charter, which is at present safely stored in the fire-proof vault of the Hon. William M. Lanning, at Trenton. We have also obtained a fine photographic reprint of the same, done by B. C. Murr & Co., of Trenton, at moderate cost, and

expect shortly to furnish to the officers of Old Tennent Church a facsimile copy of the charter, as to size and appearance, as requested by them.

We recommend the adoption by Synod of the following resolutions:

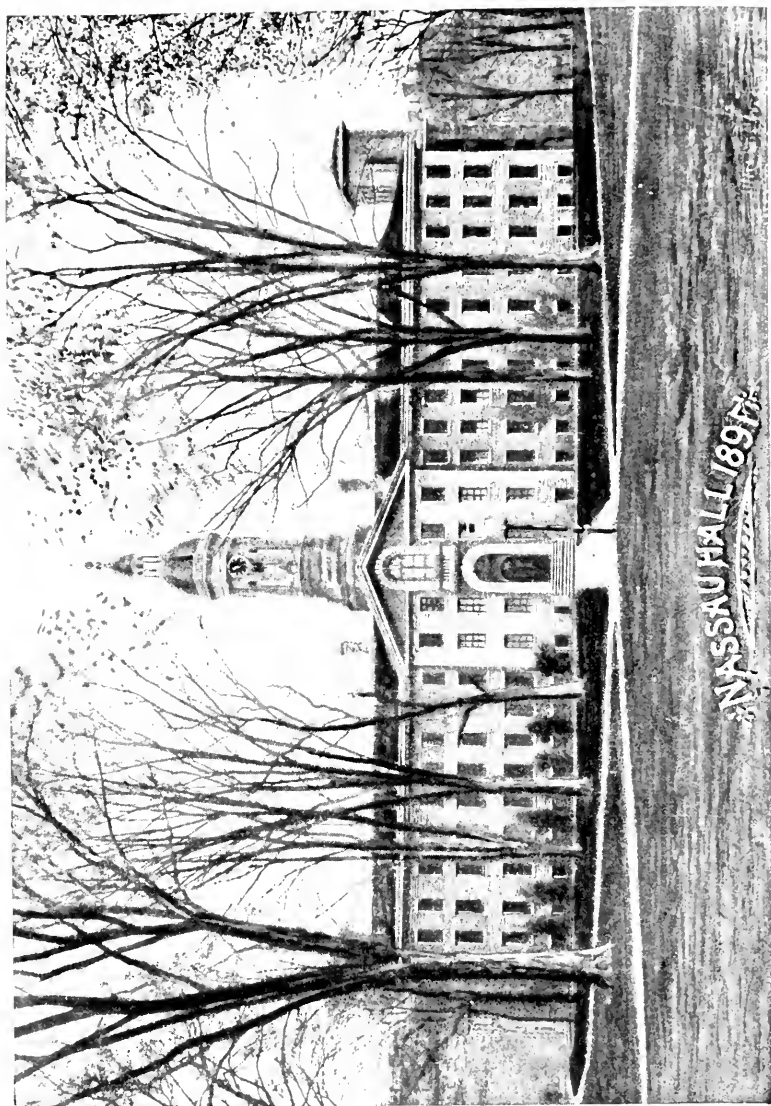
1. That Synod approves the action of the Special Committee on the Old Tennent Charter, and does hereby enter into the agreement proposed by the officers of the Old Tennent Church for the transfer of the charter to the custody of Synod, and declares the said agreement to be now in effect; and also, in accordance with the request of the said officers, does authorize the Stated Clerk to prepare the agreement in legal form, the same to be signed by the Rev. Allen H. Brown, Chairman of the Permanent Committee on Historical Materials, and attested by the Stated Clerk, and to forward one copy of the same to the officers of the Old Tennent Church and to deposit the other in the custody of the Stated Clerk of Synod.

2. That the charter be turned over at an early date to Synod's Custodians of Historical Material for preservation, in accordance with the terms of the agreement.

3. That the bill of the committee be paid by the Treasurer of Synod, and that the Permanent Committee on Historical Materials be authorized to print a few facsimile copies of the charter for distribution at their discretion, and also to arrange so that the Stated Clerk may have copies to sell, upon application to him, at one dollar each, not including the cost of expressage.

4. That this report be printed in full in the Appendix to the Minutes of Synod for preservation and reference, following the report of the Permanent Committee on Historical Materials.

ALLEN H. BROWN,
EBEN B. COBB,
HUGH B. MACCAULEY,
WALTER A. BROOKS,
WILLIAM M. LANNING.



MASSACHUSETTS HALL 1897

XIX.—ADDRESS OF THE REV. DR. JOHN DE WITT AT THE UNVEILING OF THE MEMORIAL TABLET ON NASSAU HALL.

PRESIDENT PATTON, MR. MODERATOR, LADIES AND GENTLEMEN—I am highly honored in being permitted to say a few words on the occasion of the unveiling of this memorial tablet as the representative of the Synod of New Jersey, in which the project to place it on the wall of Nassau Hall originated.

The Puritans, who emigrated from New England to the middle colonies and became Presbyterians, and the Scots of Ulster, who brought to these colonies from Scotland and Ireland the Presbyterian Order, unlike the Congregationalists of Massachusetts and Connecticut, had no friendly legislature to grant to them the charter of a College of the Liberal Arts. Not less interested in the promotion of the higher education than their ancestors in New England and Scotland, they began at once to establish private schools for classical study and for readers in divinity.

One of these schools was opened by the Rev. Jonathan Dickinson, of Elizabeth Town; one by the Rev. Aaron Burr, of Newark, in New Jersey; one by the Rev. Samuel Blair at Faggs Manor; one by the Rev. Robert Smith at Pequea, in Pennsylvania; one by the Rev. Samuel Finley at Nottingham, in Maryland, and, to close the catalogue, though others could be named, earliest and best known of all, the Log College, opened in 1726 by the Rev. William Tennent on the Neshaminy. Under the most difficult conditions of space and circumstance, these men did a noble work. They were faithful, able and enthusiastic teachers of those great humane disciplines which Christianity had taken over from Greece and Rome, which Christian masters taught in the schools of the Latin Church during the Middle Ages, and which at their close enabled western Europe to assimilate the best fruits of the classical revival.

Out of these private classical schools, thus inheriting and perpetuating a great tradition, sprang Princeton College. To a company of Presbyterian clergymen and laymen, John Hamilton, the acting Governor of New Jersey, in the name of King George II, granted in 1746 its first charter. The promoters were all Presbyterians; but having the subject clearly before them, they placed the college under no ecclesiastical jurisdiction. Those of us who are officers or members of the Presbyterian Church should never permit ourselves to forget that, for this first charter, Princeton was indebted to a large-minded Governor, who was a member not of the Presbyterian Church, but of the Church of England.

In 1747, Jonathan Belcher, a graduate of Harvard, became Governor of the Province of New Jersey. He had been Governor of Massachusetts and an overseer of its college. From the beginning of his administration he took a deep interest in the "Infant College" of New Jersey, and in 1748 granted the second charter, which is to-day the fundamental

law of the University. Governor Belcher was a Puritan-Presbyterian; he was deeply interested in the work of Whitefield, and was an intimate friend of Gilbert Tennent. His services to the college were so large, important and various that the trustees called him its benefactor, patron and founder. But he rendered it no greater service than that of enlarging its board of trustees, increasing the board's proportion of laymen, and placing upon it representatives of the state, of four colonies and of three religious communions.

Thus, inter-colonial from its beginning, under the supervision of neither state church nor voluntary church, and pledged by its charter not to withhold its privileges from any one because of his religious belief, I think we may say that we are standing before the ancient College Hall of the first free university founded in what is now the United States, the first university also which began its life in this country as the college of more than one colony.

Founded just at the time when the colonies had become distinctly conscious of their common interests, founded by men from New England and men from Ulster who had learned by severe schooling the lessons of civil liberty and self-government, and closely allied with a religious communion whose theology and church order legitimate and deepen the sentiment of democracy, it need not surprise us to learn that Princeton rendered conspicuous services to the colonies during the war for independence and to the United States during the period of constitutional construction. I have not time to dwell on them, but I may say that the author of the Mecklenburg resolutions was a graduate of Princeton. She also gave her President, John Witherspoon, and her graduates, Richard Stockton and Benjamin Rush, to the convention which adopted the Declaration of Independence. She gave nine of her graduates to the convention which framed the Federal Constitution. Her son James Madison became President, and her son Oliver Ellsworth became Chief Justice.

But it is the services of Princeton to the particular church whose representatives are the guests of the University which should be especially remembered to-day, though they cannot be recounted. I will call your attention to two only. One is, that Princeton early became the great mother of Presbyterian colleges. To Hamilton College she gave Samuel Kirkland; to Hampden-Sidney, the brothers Samuel Stanhope and John Blair-Smith; to Union, John Blair-Smith and the younger Jonathan Edwards; to Washington and Jefferson in Pennsylvania, John McMillan; to Washington and Lee in Virginia, William Graham; to Washington in Tennessee, Samuel Doak. And beyond the limits of the Presbyterian Church, she prepared William Linn to become President of Rutgers, James Manning to become President of Brown University, and John Ewing to become Provost of the University of Pennsylvania. And what, in the brief time given me, can I say of the other service—the generous hospitality of this University to the sons of the Presbyterian Church? Only this: that its largeness and the grace which has marked its exercise it would be impossible to exaggerate.

There has existed, between this University and this Church, for a century and a half, an intimate friendship. Of this friendship I am sure that both the friends will say: *Esto perpetua*. Certainly we, who represent the Presbyterian Church, are ready to say and to sing one thing. We are ready to say: *Ave, Salve, Universitas Princetoniensis*, and to sing these lines from the students' song *Guadcamus*:

"Vivat Academia,
Semper sit in flore!"

XX.—INSCRIPTION ON MEMORIAL TABLET.

PRINCETON UNIVERSITY.

1726 1746 1896

THE LOG COLLEGE

OPENED 1726 AT NESHAMINY,

WAS DISCONTINUED IN 1746, WHEN

MEMBERS OF THE SYNODS OF NEW YORK AND PHILADELPHIA

AND THE SUPPORTERS OF THE LOG COLLEGE

UNITED IN THE ORGANIZATION OF

THE COLLEGE OF NEW JERSEY

AT ELIZABETH TOWN.

FIRST CHARTER GRANTED OCTOBER 22, 1746

BY KING GEORGE THE SECOND

THROUGH JOHN HAMILTON,

ACTING GOVERNOR-IN-CHIEF OF THE PROVINCE OF NEW JERSEY.

SECOND CHARTER GRANTED SEPTEMBER 13, 1748

BY KING GEORGE THE SECOND

THROUGH JONATHAN BELCHER, M.A.

GOVERNOR-IN-CHIEF OF THE PROVINCE OF NEW JERSEY.

ON OCTOBER 22, 1896

THE NAME OF THE COLLEGE OF NEW JERSEY

WAS CHANGED TO

PRINCETON UNIVERSITY.

DEI SUB NUMINE VIGET.

XXI.—AN ACT CONCERNING THE ELECTION AND INCORPORATION OF THE TRUSTEES, AND THE MANAGEMENT OF THE TEMPORAL AFFAIRS OF CHRISTIAN CONGREGATIONS CONNECTED WITH THE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH IN THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA.*

Be it enacted by the Senate and General Assembly of the State of New Jersey:

1. Any Christian congregation connected with the Presbyterian Church in the United States of America may, at any annual business meeting, or at any special business meeting duly called for the purpose, may adopt by-laws not inconsistent with this act for the management of the temporal affairs of the congregation, and the election of trustees; *provided, however,* that they shall have no authority to adopt any by-laws or to exercise any authority over any of the matters the control of which is committed by the Constitution of the said Presbyterian Church in the United States of America to the session of the church or to any other spiritual officers; *and provided, further,* that the persons entitled to vote at any such annual or special business meeting shall be only those members of the congregation, male and female, who are of the full age of twenty-one years, and who are shown by the records of the session of the church to be communicant members of the church free from censure, and who either personally or through the heads of the families with which they are respectively connected have for the last twelve months regularly contributed at stated periods by pew rents or otherwise toward the support of the gospel in that congregation, or members of the congregation, being non-communicant members of the church, who are shown by the records of the treasurer to be persons who for the last twelve months have regularly contributed personally and directly at stated periods by pew rents or otherwise toward the support of the gospel in that congregation.

2. Every annual business meeting of any such congregation shall be held at their usual place of meeting for public worship at such time as the congregation may by by-law prescribe, or, if there be no such by-law, then at such time as the board of trustees may by resolution prescribe. In either of such cases it shall be the duty of the board of trustees to cause notice of such annual meeting to be conspicuously posted at the main entrance of the congregation's usual place of meeting for public worship at least ten days previous to the date prescribed for the meeting. If the board of trustees neglect or fail to cause such notice to be posted ten days before the date prescribed for the annual meeting by any by-law of the congregation, or if there be no such by-law, then, if the board of trustees neglect or fail to post such notice

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within one year and ten days after any annual business meeting shall have been held, any six members of the congregation entitled to vote thereat may sign and cause a notice of such annual meeting to be conspicuously posted at the main entrance of the congregation's usual place of meeting for public worship at least ten days previous to the date of the meeting named in their notice.

3. A special meeting of the congregation may be called, at their usual place of meeting for public worship, at any time, either by the board of trustees or by not less than one-fourth of the members of the congregation entitled to vote thereat, upon written notice of the time, place and object or objects thereof, which notice shall be conspicuously posted at the main entrance of the congregation's usual place of meeting for public worship at least ten days previous to the date of the meeting named in the notice, and the business of such special meeting shall be limited to the object or objects specifically mentioned in the notice thereof; provided, however, that nothing in this section contained shall be construed as a limitation upon the power of the session, or of any other spiritual officers to call a congregational meeting at any time for any purpose authorized by the Constitution of the Presbyterian Church in the United States of America.

4. Any Christian congregation connected with the Presbyterian Church in the United States of America, not having an incorporated board of trustees, may elect a board of trustees and cause such board to become incorporated in the following manner: Any of the members of the congregation, male or female, not less than six in number, and each being of the full age of twenty-one years, may sign a written notice of a business meeting of the congregation for the purpose of deciding whether trustees for the congregation shall be elected and incorporated, and, in case the decision be in favor of such action, to elect such trustees. The notice shall be conspicuously posted at the main entrance of the usual place of the meeting of the congregation for public worship at least ten days previous to the date of the meeting named in the notice. At such meeting the congregation shall, by resolution, decide whether a board of trustees shall be elected and incorporated. If the decision be in favor of such action, the congregation shall then, by resolution or resolutions, determine the number of trustees to be elected, which shall be three or any multiple of three, and the name by which the incorporated board shall be known. After such action the congregation shall, by a plurality of the votes cast by those members of the congregation, male and female, who are of the full age of twenty-one years, and who are also either communicant members of some Christian church, or persons who have within the next preceding three months contributed toward the support of the gospel in that congregation, elect one-third of the whole number of trustees to serve until the first succeeding annual business meeting, one-third until the second succeeding annual business meeting, and one-third until the third succeeding annual business meeting of the congregation. After such first election, at each succeeding annual business meeting of the congregation, successors of the class of trustees whose terms are then

expiring shall be elected to serve until the third annual business meeting next succeeding the election of such successors.

5. As soon as convenient after the first election of a board of trustees under the authority of the fourth section of this act, the members of such board shall make, sign and seal a certificate which shall set forth:

I. The location of the usual place of meeting for public worship by the congregation whose trustees they are.

II. The names of the trustees elected at such first election and their respective terms of office.

III. The name chosen by the congregation by which the board of trustees shall be known.

Said certificate shall be acknowledged by each of the trustees before such officer and in such manner as is or may be required by law for the acknowledgment of deeds of conveyance of lands in this state, a certificate of which acknowledgment by the officer taking the same shall be endorsed in writing on the certificate of the trustees. Said certificates of the trustees and of such officer shall then be recorded in the office of the county clerk or register of deeds of the county in which the usual place of meeting of the congregation for public worship is located, for which service the county clerk or register of deeds shall be entitled to receive one dollar, and after being so recorded shall be filed in the office of the secretary of state for which no fee shall be charged. From and after such recording and filing said board of trustees and their successors in office shall be a body politic and corporate in law by the name set forth in the certificate so recorded and filed.

6. Any Christian congregation connected with the Presbyterian Church in the United States of America, which at the date of any annual business meeting of the congregation held after the passage of this act shall have an incorporated board of trustees whose number or whose terms of office the congregation may desire to change, may, at such annual business meeting by by-law or resolution duly passed by a majority of all the votes cast, provide for the election at such annual business meeting of three, or any multiple of three, trustees in such manner that the terms of one-third of the whole number of trustees shall expire at the first annual business meeting, one-third at the second annual business meeting and one-third at the third annual business meeting of the congregation next succeeding the meeting at which such by-law or resolution shall be passed. At each annual business meeting succeeding the meeting at which such by-law or resolution is passed, successors to the class of trustees whose terms of office are then expiring shall be elected to serve until the third annual business meeting next succeeding the election of such successors. No change, however, in the number or in the terms of office of any incorporated board of trustees shall be made under the authority of this section unless written notice of the proposed change, authorized by the existing board of trustees, or signed by at least six members of the congregation entitled to vote on the question, be conspicuously posted at the main entrance of the congregation's usual place of meeting for

public worship, at least ten days previous to the date of the annual meeting at which action on the proposed change is intended to be had.

7. At each annual business meeting of the congregation, a treasurer may be elected by a plurality of the votes cast to serve until the next annual business meeting after his election. He shall be ex-officio a member of the board of trustees, shall have charge of the moneys of the board of trustees and of such moneys of the congregation as are contributed or paid for congregational uses, shall keep a correct account of the receipts and disbursements of the same, shall at each annual business meeting of the congregation render a true statement in writing of such receipts and disbursement for the preceding year, shall be the custodian of all policies of insurance and securities of the board of trustees, and of all books, papers and documents pertaining to the temporal affairs of the congregation, excepting the book of minutes of the proceedings of the board of trustees, which shall remain in the custody of the secretary of the board, and shall deliver all such policies of insurance, securities, books, papers and documents, and pay the balance of moneys in his hands as such treasurer to his successor in office on demand therefor.

8. If the congregation shall fail to elect a treasurer at any annual business meeting, such failure shall be construed as a preference by the congregation that the treasurer shall be elected by the board of trustees, and in such case the board of trustees shall, at its first meeting after such annual meeting of the congregation, elect one of their own number, or any member of the congregation, as treasurer to serve until the next annual business meeting of the congregation, or, in case no treasurer be then elected, until the first meeting of the board of trustees after such annual business meeting. The duties and powers of the treasurer elected by the board of trustees shall be the same as the duties and powers of a treasurer elected by the congregation.

9. The treasurer shall, within ten days next preceding each annual business meeting of the congregation, submit his accounts and vouchers to an auditing committee to be composed of three persons, who shall be elected at each annual business meeting of the congregation. If any vacancy in the membership of such committee shall occur, by reason of the failure of the congregation to elect or otherwise, every such vacancy shall be filled by the board of trustees. The said auditing committee shall examine the accounts and vouchers submitted to them and report thereon to the next annual business meeting of the congregation.

10. Whenever a vacancy shall occur in any board of trustees the remaining trustees shall constitute the board until the vacancy be filled; and such vacancy may be filled, either at a special business meeting of the congregation duly called for that purpose or at the next annual business meeting of the congregation, for the unexpired term only. Whenever a vacancy occurs in the office of treasurer, whether the incumbent of the office immediately preceding the creation of the vacancy was elected by the board of trustees or by the congregation, the board of trustees shall elect a person to fill the vacancy until the next

annual business meeting of the congregation, and if no treasurer be then elected, until the first meeting of the trustees after such annual business meeting of the congregation.

11. Every board of trustees elected and incorporated under the authority of this act shall have power:

I. To have perpetual succession by its corporate name.

II. To sue and be sued in any court of law or equity.

III. To make and use a common seal and alter the same at pleasure.

IV. To elect annually from their number a president and a secretary.

V. To purchase, lease, acquire, receive, have and hold any lands, tenements, hereditaments, legacies, donations, moneys, goods and chattels in trust for the uses of the congregation, and the same, or any part thereof, to sell, grant, convey, assign, demise, alien or otherwise dispose of; provided, that no such sale or conveyance of any lands held in trust as aforesaid shall be made unless previously authorized by a majority of the votes cast at a duly called annual or special business meeting of the congregation.

VI. To borrow money for the uses of the congregation, and secure the repayment of the same, with interest, by their corporate bonds and by mortgages on the real or personal property held by them for the uses of the congregation; provided they be first authorized so to do by a majority of the votes cast at a duly called annual or special business meeting of the congregation.

VII. To make and execute such contracts as the congregation by its by-laws or resolutions may from time to time authorize.

VIII. To exercise all other powers necessary for the proper care of the property held by them for the uses of the congregation, subject always, however, to such authority over the worship of the congregation, including the musical service, over the times and places of preaching the word of God and all other religious services, and over the uses to which the church buildings and other property may be put, as is or may be committed by the constitution of the Presbyterian Church in the United States of America to the session of the church or to any other spiritual officers.

12. The president of the board of trustees shall have power to convene the board as occasion may require, and he shall convene it whenever a written request so to do, signed by two members of the board of trustees, shall be presented to him. In case a vacancy occur in the office of president, the board shall elect one of their number to fill the vacancy during the residue of the unexpired term, and until such election the trustee of the board senior in age shall be president pro tempore.

13. The secretary of the board of trustees shall keep the minutes of the proceedings of the board in a book to be provided for that purpose. He shall also be the custodian of the common seal of the board, and shall deliver such book of minutes and common seal to his successor in office on demand therefor. Whenever a vacancy shall occur in the office of secretary it shall be filled by the board of trustees by the election of a person to serve for the unexpired term.

14. Upon application to the treasurer or secretary, any member of the board of trustees or of the congregation shall, subject to reasonable regulations, be entitled to inspect and examine any of the policies of insurance, securities, books, papers and documents in the custody of either of such officers, and to copy the same or make extracts therefrom.

15. The minutes of the proceedings of the board of trustees, and of all annual and special business meetings of the congregation, and a statement of the receipts and disbursements of the treasurer, shall, at least annually and as much oftener as may be required by the church session, be submitted to the church session for their review, and for incorporation in their records, according to the provisions of the constitution of the Presbyterian Church in the United States of America.

16. All acts and parts of acts inconsistent with this act are hereby repealed, and this act shall take effect on the first day of January in the year nineteen hundred and four.

XXII.—REPORT OF THE TREASURER OF THE SCOTS MONUMENT FUND.

ALLEN H. BROWN, TREASURER OF THE TRUSTEES, IN ACCOUNT
WITH THE MONUMENTAL FUND.

1901.	<i>Dr.</i>	
Oct. 17.	To balance in Camden Safe Deposit and Trust Co.,	\$943 14
Dec. 30.	To accrued interest,	11 78
1902.		
July 1.	To interest on W. B. Beakey mortgage in Trenton,	22 50
Sept. 18.	To Presbytery of Newton,	11 92
		\$989 34
1902.		
Oct. 13.	To cash in Camden Safe Deposit and Trust Co., .	\$89 34
	<i>Cr.</i>	
Nov. 27.	By investment in W. B. Beakey mortgage in Trenton,	\$900 00
1902.		
Oct. 13.	By balance,	89 34
		\$989 34

Report examined and found correct.

SAMUEL D. PRICE,
Chairman, for the Finance Committee.

Approved:

E. B. COBB.

XXIII.—REPORT OF THE TREASURER OF THE TRUSTEES.

ALLEN H. BROWN, TREASURER, IN ACCOUNT WITH THE TRUSTEES
OF THE SYNOD OF NEW JERSEY.

1901.	<i>Dr.</i>	
Oct. 16.	To balance in Camden Safe Deposit and Trust Co.,	\$561 79
1902.		
Jan. 1.	To accrued interest,	16 36
Mar. 27.	To interest on Barnegat Manse mortgage,	18 13
July 1.	To interest on Beakey mortgage,	2 50
Oct. 1.	To interest on Barnegat Manse mortgage,	18 12
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		\$616 90
Oct. 22.	To cash in Trust Co.,	\$461 79
1901.	<i>Cr.</i>	
Nov. 27.	By investment on Beakey mortgage,	\$100 00
1902.		
Jan. 7.	By payment to Pastor Brainerd Church,	16 36
April 1.	By payment to Pastor Forked River Church,	18 13
Oct. 3.	By payment to Pastor Forked River Church,	18 12
Oct. 9.	By payment to Pastor Brainerd Church,	2 50
	By balance in Trust Co.,	461 79
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		\$616 90

Report examined and found correct.

SAMUEL D. PRICE,

Chairman, for the Finance Committee.

XXIV.—REPORT OF THE TREASURER.

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

To balance from previous account,	\$536 81	
To apportionment from eight Presbyteries,	430 00	
To advertising,	15 00	
		\$981 81

Cr.

By janitor's bill, Atlantic City,	\$10 00	
By salaries for year ending October, 1902,	160 00	
By expenses of Trustees of Synod,	4 75	
By expenses of officers of Synod,	7 75	
By expenses of Committee on 20th Cent. Fund., ..	18 83	
By expenses of Committee, Trustees,	7 80	
By expenses of Committee, Dockets and Orders,...	5 00	
By printing Minutes of 1901,	262 55	
By binding Minutes,	3 50	
By bond of Treasurer of Synodical Home Missions,	30 00	
By balance on hand October 1st, 1902,	472 63	
		\$981 81

EBEN B. COBB,

Treasurer.

ELIZABETH, N. J., October 1st, 1902.

Footings examined and found correct.

SAMUEL D. PRICE,

Chairman of Finance Committee.

XXV.—STATISTICAL REPORTS.

I. THE PRESBYTERY OF CORISCO consists of fourteen ministers, and has under its care eleven churches, five licentiates, four candidates and one local evangelist.

Installation—

September, 1901, Rev. Frank Myongo, pastor of the Hanje church.

Dismissed—

December 4, 1901, Rev. Richard Lange, to the Presbytery of Cincinnati.

December 4, 1901, Rev. Charles J. Boppell, to the Presbytery of Lexington (South).

Candidate on examination—

November 29, 1901, Bodumba bwa Ibia.

Church dissolved—

December 4, 1901, Angom church.

ROBERT HAMILL NASSAU,
Stated Clerk.

II. THE PRESBYTERY OF ELIZABETH consists of forty-three ministers and thirty-three churches, and has under its care no licentiates, two local evangelists and two candidates for the ministry.

Received—

April 15, 1902, Rev. Benjamin H. Rankin, from the Presbytery of St. Clairsville.

April 15, 1902, Rev. Albert E. Weston, from the Presbytery of Monmouth.

Dismissed—

April 15, 1902, Rev. Eugene A. Mitchell, to the Presbytery of Cape Fear.

April 15, 1902, Rev. Edwin M. Bliss, D.D., to the Manhattan Association of Congregational Churches.

October 7, 1902, Rev. William R. Richards, D.D., to the Presbytery of New York.

October 7, 1902, Rev. Gustav Schumacher, to the North Classis of Long Island.

October 22, 1902, Rev. John S. Whitman, to the Presbytery of New York.

Ordained sine titulo—

November 6, 1901, Robert D. Schoonmaker.

April 15, 1902, Leopold R. Burrows.

May 29, 1902, Harrison K. Wright.

Installed—

June 3, 1902, Rev. Albert E. Weston, as pastor of the Bethlehem Church.

Dissolved pastoral relations—

October 7, 1902, between Rev. William R. Richards, D.D., and the Crescent Avenue Church, Plainfield.

October 7, 1902, between Rev. Gustav Schumacher and the First German Church, Rahway.

October 7, 1902, between Rev. Albert E. Weston and the Bethlehem Church.

October 22, 1902, between Rev. Newton W. Cadwell and the Westfield Church.

Licensed—

April 28, 1902, Harrison K. Wright.

Dismissed licentiate—

October 7, 1902, Augustus C. Kellogg, to the care of the Presbytery of Long Island.

Ministers deceased—

October 25, 1901, Rev. David Stevenson, D.D., aged 81 years.

May 30, 1902, Rev. John A. Liggett, D.D., aged 67 years.

SAMUEL PARRY,

Stated Clerk.

III. THE PRESBYTERY OF JERSEY CITY consists of fifty-one ministers and thirty-seven churches, and has under its care three licentiates and one candidate.

Ministers received—

February 3, 1902, Rev. William W. Walker, from the Presbytery of Chester.

February 6, 1902, Rev. August Jung, from the Presbytery of Newark.

October 7, 1902, Rev. Nicholas S. Becker, from the Litchfield South Association, Congregational.

Ministers dismissed—

December 2, 1901, Rev. Archibald F. Parker, to the Presbytery of Hudson.

December 2, 1901, Rev. James P. Stofflet, to the South Classis of Bergen, of the Reformed Church.

February 3, 1902, Rev. Henry W. Bainton, to the Presbytery of Boulder.

April 15, 1902, Rev. Henry E. Brundage, to the Presbytery of Boulder.

April 15, 1902, Rev. Israel W. Hathaway, D.D., to the Presbytery of New York.

October 7, 1902, Rev. James E. Rawlins, to the Presbytery of Philadelphia.

October 7, 1902, Rev. William W. Walker, to the Presbytery of Fairfield.

Installed—

February 3, 1902, Rev. Theophilus E. Montgomery, at Woodridge.

February 6, 1902, Rev. August Jung, at Passaic German.

Pastoral relation dissolved—

October 1, 1901, Rev. Theophilus E. Montgomery and the John Knox Church of Jersey City.

December 2, 1901, Rev. James P. Stofflet and the Woodridge Church.

April 15, 1902, Rev. Henry E. Brundage and the Dundee Church of Passaic.

Licensed—

April 15, 1902, Joseph A. Jones, Walter R. Murray.

Churches dissolved—

June 2, 1902, John Knox Church of Jersey City.

June 2, 1902, the Church at Weehawken.

GEORGE R. GARRETSON,

Stated Clerk.

IV.—THE PRESBYTERY OF MONMOUTH consists of fifty-five ministers and forty-eight churches, and has under its care one licentiate and three candidates.

Ordinations—

May 13, 1902, Archibald S. Van Orden.

Ministers dismissed—

December 10, 1901, Nathan D. Hynson, to the Presbytery of Pittsburgh.

April 8, 1902, Albert E. Weston, to the Presbytery of Elizabeth.

Ministers received—

January 28, 1902, John G. Lovell, from the Presbytery of Albany.

April 8, 1902, Robert J. Dick, from the Presbytery of Sequoyah.

April 8, 1902, A. J. Gordon MacKay, from the Presbytery of Denver.

June 24, 1902, James W. Purcell, from the Presbytery of New Brunswick.

October 22, 1902, John LeRoy Taylor, from the Presbytery of Cincinnati.

October 22, 1902, Robert Robinson, from the Presbytery of San Jose.

Pastoral relations dissolved—

December 19, 1901, Nathan D. Hynson and the church of Manasquan.

June 24, 1902, Albert G. Bale and the First Church of Asbury Park.

September 23, 1902, Edward Berger and the church of Keyport.

Licentiate received—

April 9, 1902, Archibald S. Van Orden, from the Presbytery of New York.

Candidates received on examination—

June 24, 1902, Walter S. Davison.

September 23, 1902, George E. Leukel.

Pastors installed—

February 12, 1902, John G. Lovell, over the church of Long Branch.
April 22, 1902, A. F. Gordon MacKay, over the church of Manasquan.

April 24, 1902, Robert J. Dick, over the church of South Amboy.

May 13, 1902, Archibald S. Van Orden, over the church of Farmingdale.

November 12, 1902, John Le Roy Taylor, over the church of Asbury Park First.

Church dissolved—

November 14, 1901, Westminster, of Asbury Park.

BENJ. S. EVERITT,
Stated Clerk.

V.—THE PRESBYTERY OF MORRIS AND ORANGE consists of forty-six churches, sixty-two ministers, and has under its care two candidates.

Ministers received—

November 23, 1901, Rev. Robert G. McGregor, from the Presbytery of Utica.

January 21, 1902, Rev. Jos. D. Hillman, from the Presbytery of Newton.

January 21, 1902, Rev. Robert J. Johnston, from the Presbytery of Sacramento.

January 21st, 1902, Rev. Fuller P. Dalrymple, from the Presbytery of Transylvania.

April 8th, 1902, Rev. W. W. Hammond, D.D., from the Presbytery of Philadelphia, North.

April 8th, 1902, Rev. John C. Scarborough, Ph.D., from the Presbytery of Chester.

Ordination—

April 19th, 1902, licentiate Nicholas Bowers.

Installations—

November 25, 1901, Rev. R. G. McGregor, over the church at St. Cloud.

February 11, 1902, Rev. Robert J. Johnston, over the First Church of Mendham.

February 21, 1902, Rev. Fuller P. Dalrymple, over the Mt. Olive Church.

April 19, 1902, Rev. Nicholas Bowers, over the church at Sterling.

Pastoral relations dissolved—

November 8, 1901, Rev. Asa Wynkoop and Trinity Church of South Orange.

September 16, 1902, Rev. Fuller P. Dalrymple and the Mt. Olive Church.

Ministers dismissed—

September 16th, 1902, Rev. G. P. Noble, to the Presbytery of Nassau.

September 16, 1902, Rev. Fuller P. Dalrymple, to the Presbytery of Lehigh.

Minister died—

November 4, 1901, Rev. Kingsley Twining, D.D.,

STANLEY WHITE,
Stated Clerk.

VI. THE PRESBYTERY OF NEWARK consists of sixty-three ministers and thirty-six churches, and has under its care three licentiates and eleven candidates.

Ministers received—

October 9, 1901, Samuel Ward Boardman, D.D., LL.D., from the Presbytery of Union.

October 22, 1901, Llewellyn S. Fulmer, from the Presbytery of Baltimore.

December 4, 1901, Charles E. Granger, from Naugatuck Valley Association of Congregational Ministers.

April 2, 1902, Robert Barbour, from the Presbytery of New York.

May 8, 1902, I. V. W. Schenck, from the Classis of Newark.

May 8, 1902, Wm. Alfred Gay, D.D., from the Hartford South Association of Congregational Ministers.

October 1, 1902, William Reed, D.D., from the Presbytery of Troy.

Ministers dismissed—

February 5, 1902, August Jung, to the Presbytery of Jersey City.

April 2, 1902, Artemas Dean, D.D., to the Presbytery of Northumberland.

June 4, 1902, Henry S. Brown, to the Presbytery of Philadelphia.

Ordinations sine titulo—

- October 22, 1901, August Jung.
 May 14, 1902, George J. Russell.
 July 17, 1902, Julius F. Wolff.

Licenses—

- February 5, 1902, Julius F. Wolff.
 February 5, 1902, Bismarck G. Colerti.
 April 2, 1902, Hermann Blaschke.

Installations—

- November 6, 1901, Llewellyn S. Fulmer, as pastor of First Church, Montclair, N. J.
 February 6, 1902, Charles E. Granger, as pastor of Central Church, Newark, N. J.

Pastoral relation dissolved—

- March 1, 1902, between the Rev. Edwin Fairley and the Roseland Church.

Church dissolved—

- June 4, 1902, The House of Hope Church, Newark, N. J.

Church organized—

- June 15, 1902, The West Presbyterian Church, Newark, N. J.

Ministers deceased—

- October 12, 1901, George S. Mott, D.D., at East Orange, N. J.
 September 9, 1902, George C. Seibert, Ph.D., D.D., at sea on steamer Kroonland.
 October 6, 1902, Aaron R. Wolfe, at Montclair, N. J.

JULIUS H. WOLFF,
Stated Clerk.

VII. THE PRESBYTERY OF NEW BRUNSWICK consists of seventy-two ministers, and has under its care thirty-six churches and an Italian Evangelical Congregation, seven licentiates and twenty candidates.

Ministers received from other Presbyteries—

- April 8, 1902, Rev. Horatio H. Wells, D.D., from the Presbytery of Cleveland.
 April 8, 1902, Rev. George H. Stephens, from the Presbytery of Northumberland.
 October 22, 1902, Rev. Henry Collin Minton, D.D., LL.D., from the Presbytery of San Francisco.

Minister received from another religious body—

- April 9, 1902, Jonathan Wesley Purcell, from the New Jersey Conference, M. E. Church.

Ordinations sine titulo—

December 12, 1901, John B. McCreery and Edward Reed Laughlin.
 September 18, 1902, Caspar Wistar Hodge.

Ministers dismissed to other Presbyteries—

January 28, 1902, Rev. John B. McCreery, to Presbytery of Troy.
 April 8, 1902, Rev. Edward Reed Laughlin, to Presbytery of Carlisle.
 April 9, 1902, Rev. Lewis W. Mudge, D.D., to Presbytery of Chester.
 June 23, 1902, Rev. Jonathan Wesley Purcell, to Presbytery of Monmouth.

Pastoral relations dissolved—

November 13, 1901, Rev. Lewis Seymour Mudge, with Trenton First Church.
 May 6, 1902, Rev. James B. Clark, with Amwell Second Church, to take effect May 26.
 October 22, 1902, Rev. Samuel M. Studdiford, D.D., with Third Church, Trenton.

Installation—

May 27, 1902, Rev. James B. Clark, pastor of Dayton Church.

Ordinations and installations.

November 12, 1901, Norris W. Harkness, and installed pastor of Trenton Second Church.
 July 12, 1902, Nathaniel S. Reeves, and installed pastor of Alexandria First Church.

Candidates received from other Presbyteries—

October 16, 1901, William Henry Topping, from Presbytery of St. Louis.
 April 21, 1902, Albert Joseph McCartney, from Presbytery of Pittsburgh.

Candidates received on examination—

February 13, 1902, Samuel Higginbottom.
 April 8, 1902, Herbert Eugene Hays.
 April 28, 1902, Albert Baldwin Dodd and Alec Orm McDonald.

Candidates dropped from the roll—

April 8, 1902, Arthur H. Merrill, Alexander Henry Wier, Norman Junkin Wright, Henry Nevius VanDyke, Donald McNeill, Morgan Lane, William H. Miles, Lewis H. Fowler, Evans Tulane Richardson, Frank S. Coffin, James J. Charlton, John W. Queen, Jr., Donald McColl, John Sinclair Roberts, Charles C. Hall, Alvin John Hall, Thomas C. Doran, James E. VanDyke, Irving W. Street, Guy Allen Tawney, James M. Boyer, David Elliott Filson, Ernest C. Arns, Frank P. R. VanSyckel, Ernest C. Turney and Oliver Crawford.

Licentiates received from other Presbyteries—

November 13, 1901, Norris W. Harkness, from Presbytery of Philadelphia.

April 8, 1902, Edwin H. Bronson, from Presbytery of Philadelphia.

Licensures—

April 21, 1902, David de Forest Burrell, Nathaniel Smith Reeves and Charles Frederic Morrison.

May 6, 1902, Albert Baldwin Dodd.

Licentiates dismissed to other Presbyteries and religious bodies—

April 9, 1902, Edwin H. Bronson, to Presbytery of Long Island.

April 10, 1902, Luther James Emerson, to Presbytery of Cedar Rapids.

June 23, 1902, Charles Frederic Morrison, to Presbytery of Minnawaukon.

June 24, 1902, William Brower Johnson, to Presbytery of Hudson.

September 13, 1902, Thomas Cowden Laughlin, to Bay Association of Congregational Churches and Ministers of California.

September 17, 1902, Maurice Alexander Filson, to Presbytery of Nebraska City.

Minister deceased—

December 22, 1901, Rev. Thomas S. Long, at Dayton, N. J.

A. L. ARMSTRONG,

Stated Clerk.

VIII.—THE PRESBYTERY OF NEWTON consists of forty-four ministers, and has under its care thirty-five churches and six candidates for the gospel ministry.

Ministers received—

January 28, 1902, Rev. Henry Hansman, from the Presbytery of North River.

June 24, 1902, Rev. James W. Shearer, from the Presbytery of St. Louis.

June 24, 1902, Rev. Leopold R. Burrows, from the Presbytery of Elizabeth.

June 24, 1902, Rev. William G. Westervelt, from the Presbytery of Albany.

June 24, 1902, Rev. Hugh Walker, from the Presbytery of Hudson.

September 23, 1902, Rev. Irvin F. Wagner, from the Classis of Schuylkill, of the Reformed Church in the United States.

Installations—

February 14, 1902, Rev. James Provan, as pastor of the church of Andover.

February 20, 1902, Rev. Henry Hansman, as pastor of the church of Franklin Furnace.

- March 19, 1902, Rev. John K. Baillie, D.D., as pastor of the church of Hamburg.
- July 10, 1902, Rev. Leopold R. Burrows, as pastor of the church of Harmony.
- July 20, 1902, Rev. Hugh Walker, as pastor of the Church of Greenwich.
- September 11, 1902, Rev. Edward Snyder, as pastor of the church of North Hardyston.

Pastoral relations dissolved—

- December 4, 1901, Rev. Edwin J. Reinke, with the church of Greenwich to take effect December 10, 1901.
- June 24, 1902, Rev. Samuel Carlile, D.D., with the church of Newton, to take effect July 27, 1902.
- August 19, 1902, Rev. H. Marshall Thurlow, with the church of Branchville, to take effect October 25, 1902.
- August 19, 1902, Rev. Edward Snyder, with the First Church of Wantage, to take effect August 31, 1902.
- September 23, 1902, Rev. E. Clarke Cline, with the Westminster Church of Phillipsburg, to take effect April 1, 1903.
- September 23, 1902, Rev. Floyd Lincoln Cornish, with the church of Asbury, to take effect September 28, 1902.

Ministers dismissed—

- December 31, 1901, Rev. Edwin J. Reinke, to the Presbytery of Philadelphia.
- January 9, 1902, Rev. Joseph D. Hillman, to the Presbytery of Morris and Orange.
- March 25, 1902, Rev. Thomas W. Bowen, to the Presbytery of Lackawanna.
- September 24, 1902, Rev. Floyd Lincoln Cornish, to the Classis of Kingston, of the Reformed Church in the United States of America.

Minister deceased—

- December 23, 1901, Rev. John William Bell, at Beattystown, New Jersey.

Candidate received on examination—

- April 8, 1902, Allan D. Baillie.

E. CLARKE CLINE,
Stated Clerk.

IX. THE PRESBYTERY OF WEST JERSEY consists of sixty-six ministers, fifty-nine churches, one licentiate and seven candidates under its care.

Ministers received—

- November 4, 1901, Rev. Edwin F. Gallagher, from Presbytery of Philadelphia.

February 18, 1902, Rev. A. N. Millison, from class in Reformed Church, Philadelphia.

June 24, 1902, Rev. John Bamford, from Oneida, Chenango and Delaware Congregational Association.

June 24, 1902, Rev. John W. Kleifken, from German Reformed classis in Philadelphia.

September 30, 1902, Rev. John L. Rusbridge, from Presbytery of Philadelphia.

Licentiates received—

May 20, 1902, Walter W. Edge, from Presbytery of Cherokee, S. C.

Candidates received under care of Presbytery—

November 4, 1901, Wilhelm Weiss.

April 15, 1902, Walter L. Steiner.

September 30th, 1902, Raymond Hoag.

Candidates dropped—

April 15, 1902, John H. Frome, Geo. A. Pettit.

Ministers dismissed—

November 4, 1901, Rev. Henry E. Sperbeck, to Presbytery of Chester, Pa.

February 3, 1902, Rev. Albert N. Staiger, to Presbytery of Philadelphia.

February 18, 1902, Rev. Alphio Minutilla, to Presbytery of New York.

April 15, 1902, Rev. Geo. H. Broening, to Presbytery of Lacakawanna, Pa.

June 24, 1902, Rev. Wm. K. McKinney, to Presbytery of Philadelphia, Pa.

September 30, 1902, Rev. Walter W. Edge, to Presbytery of Concord, N. C.

Ordination—

May 20, 1902, Walter W. Edge.

Installations—

November 21, 1901, Rev. Edwin F. Gallagher, as pastor of Cape May Church.

February 25, 1902, Rev. A. N. Millison, as pastor of Bridgeton Fourth.

May 20, 1902, Rev. Walter W. Edge, as pastor of Glassboro Church.

July 18, 1902, Rev. J. W. Kleifken, as pastor of German Church, Atlantic City.

August 15, 1902, Rev. John McMillan, D.D., pastor of Westminster Church, Atlantic City.

Pastoral relations dissolved—

- November 4, 1901, Rev. John Ewing, D.D., and Pittsgrove Church.
 November 4, 1901, Rev. Henry E. Sperbeck and Glassboro Church.
 March 3, 1902, Rev. Albert K. Staiger and German Church, Atlantic City.
 April 15, 1902, Rev. Geo. H. Broening and Church of Millville.
 June 24, 1902, Rev. Wm. K. McKinney and Church of Hammonton.
 June 24, 1902, Rev. Geo. L. Smith and Church of Elmer.
 September 15, 1902, Rev. Walter E. Smith and Church of May's Landing.
 September 30, 1902, Rev. Walter W. Edge and Church of Glassboro.
 September 30, 1902, Rev. Sylvester W. Beach and First Church, Bridgeton.
 September 30, 1902, Rev. Frank J. Mundy, D.D., and Olivet Church, Atlantic City.

Churches organized—

- November 18, 1901, Church of Haddon Heights.
 February, 1902, Church of Laurel Springs.

Students' permits for six months—

- May 20, 1902, John Brown, to labor at Tuckahoe.
 May 20, 1902, A. L. Hallquest, to labor at Leeds Point.
 May 20, 1902, Geo. N. Whitenack, to labor at Berlin.
 September 30, 1902, Rev. C. C. Walker, to supply Church at Absecon.

ALFRED P. BOTSFORD,

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 the 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 intervals. 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.

- IX.—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:

1. 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.

X.—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 HOME MISSIONS, one from each home Presbytery.
3. 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.
4. ON HISTORICAL MATERIALS, nine members—one for each Presbytery.
5. ON SABBATH-SCHOOL WORK, eight members; the chairman of the Committee on Sabbath-school Work in each home Presbytery.
6. ON SABBATH OBSERVANCE, three members—two Ministers and one Ruling Elder.
7. ON TEMPERANCE, nine members—one from each home Presbytery, besides the chairman.
8. ON NECROLOGY, three members—two Ministers and one Ruling Elder.
9. ON SYSTEMATIC BENEFICENCE, eight members—one from each home Presbytery.
10. ON WORK AMONG FOREIGN POPULATIONS, five members—three Ministers and two Ruling Elders.
11. ON YOUNG PEOPLE'S SOCIETIES, a chairman appointed by Synod and the chairman of the Presbyterial Committee on Young People's Societies.
12. ON APPLIED CHRISTIANITY, five members—three Ministers and two Ruling Elders.

XII.—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.

- XIII.—The Necrological Committee shall present, at the annual meeting, brief obituary notices of all Ministers of Synod who have deceased during the Synodical year.
- XIV.—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 Benevolence 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.
- XIX.—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.

The Synod authorizes the Treasurer of Synod hereafter to pay the necessary expenses of the several committees of Synod, said bills to be forwarded to the Treasurer of Synod on or before October 1st of each year.

Adopted October 17th, 1895.

Permanent Committees.

SYNODICAL HOME MISSIONS.

REV. EBEN B. COBB, D.D., *Chairman*,
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REV. WM. W. HALLOWAY, JR., D.D., REV. J. GARLAND HAMNER, JR.,
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REV. RAYMOND HILLIARD GAGE, *Clerk*.

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REV. JOHN E. STUCHELL, REV. FISHER HOWE BOOTH.
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REV. CHARLES HERR, D.D., ELDER CHARLES A. DEWITT,
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Moderators of the Synod of New Jersey, From its Organization.

DATE.	PLACE OF MEETING.	NAME.	PRESBYTERY.
1823.	Newark, First Ch..	John Woodhull, D.D., <i>Convener.</i>	New Brunswick.
		Archibald Alexander, D.D.,	New Brunswick.
1824.	Morristown,	Aaron Condit,	Jersey.
1825.	New Brunswick, ..	John F. Clark,	Newton.
1826.	Elizabeth Town, ..	James Carnahan, D.D.,	New Brunswick.
1827.	Easton, Pa.,	Joseph Campbell,	Newton.
1828.	Trenton,	Isaac W. Platt,	Susquehanna.
1829.	Newark, First,	David Magie,	Elizabeth Town.
1830.	Montrose, Pa., ...	Samuel Fisher, D.D.,	Newark.
1831.	Princeton,	Jacob Kirkpatrick,	Newton.
1832.	Morristown,	Eli F. Cooley,	New Brunswick.
1833.	Newton,	Abraham Williamson,	Elizabeth Town.
1834.	Elizabeth Town, ..	John Ford,	Newark.
1835.	Newark, Third, ..	Jacob R. Castner,	Newton.
1836.	New Brunswick, ..	Isaac V. Brown,	New Brunswick.
1837.	Easton, Pa.,	William B. Barton,	Elizabeth Town.
1838.	Morristown,	John Maclean,	New Brunswick.
1839.	Trenton,	Joseph L. Shafer,	Newton.
1840.	Wilkesbarre, Pa.,	Nicholas Murray,	Elizabeth Town.
1841.	Princeton,	Peter O. Studdiford,	Raritan.
1842.	Elizabeth Town, ..	John Gray,	Newton.
1843.	Newton,	Daniel V. McLean,	New Brunswick.
1844.	New Brunswick, ..	John Dorrance,	Luzerne.
1845.	Salem,	George W. Janvier,	West Jersey.
1846.	Trenton,	Joseph M. Ogden,	Elizabeth Town.
1847.	Easton, Pa.,	David X. Junkin,	Newton.
1848.	Wilkesbarre, Pa.,	Julius Foster,	Susquehanna.
1849.	Morristown,	Symmes C. Henry,	New Brunswick.
1850.	Elizabeth Town, ..	William W. Blauvelt,	Elizabeth Town.
1851.	Princeton,	Samuel Beach Jones,	West Jersey.
1852.	New Brunswick, ..	Henry Perkins,	Burlington.
1853.	Newark, Third, ..	Robert Davidson, D.D.,	New Brunswick.
1854.	Paterson,	Lewis Bond,	Elizabeth Town.
1855.	Newton,	Robert Street,	Passaic.
1856.	Elizabeth,	Aaron H. Hand,	Newton.
1857.	Scranton, Pa., ..	John Hall, D.D.,	New Brunswick.
1858.	Trenton,	James T. English,	Elizabeth Town.
1859.	Morristown,	Milo I. Hickok,	Luzerne.
1860.	Trenton,	Ravand K. Rodgers, D.D.,	New Brunswick.
1861.	Pottsville, Pa., ...	John MacNair, D.D.,	Raritan.
1862.	Rahway,	Samuel S. Sheddan,	Elizabeth Town.
1863.	Wilkesbarre, Pa.,	George Hale, D.D.,	New Brunswick.
1864.	Bridgeton,	Elijah R. Craven, D.D.,	Passaic.
1865.	Princeton,	John T. Duffield, D.D.,	New Brunswick.
1866.	Elizabeth,	William H. Hornblower, D.D., ..	Passaic.
1867.	Towanda, Pa., ...	Charles C. Corss,	Susquehanna.
1868.	Newark, Third, ..	Villeroy D. Reed, D.D.,	Burlington.
1869.	Rahway, Second,	Samuel F. Colt,	Luzerne.

Moderators Since the Reunion.

DATE.	PLACE OF MEETING.	MODERATOR.	PRESBYTERY.
June 21, 1870	Elizabeth,	*Rev. Jona. F. Stearns, D.D.,	Newark.
Oct. 18, 1870	Morristown, . . .	*Rev. Charles K. Imbrie, D.D., . .	Jersey City.
Oct. 17, 1871	Bloomfield, . . .	*Rev. Robert Aikman, D.D.,	Morris and Orange.
Oct. 15, 1872	Trenton,	*Rev. Samuel Miller, D.D.,	Monmouth.
Oct. 21, 1873	Washington, . . .	*Rev. J. H. McIlvaine, D.D.,	Newark.
Oct. 20, 1874	Camden,	*Rev. J. M. McDonald, D.D.,	New Brunswick.
Oct. 19, 1875	Orange,	Rev. William C. Roberts, D.D., . . .	Elizabeth.
Oct. 17, 1876	Elizabeth,	*Rev. Thomas McCauley,	Newton.
Oct. 16, 1877	Newark,	Rev. E. Kempshall, D.D.,	Elizabeth.
Oct. 15, 1878	Morristown, . . .	Rev. William Bannard, D.D., . . .	West Jersey.
Oct. 21, 1879	Trenton,	*Rev. Abraham Gosman, D.D., . . .	New Brunswick.
Oct. 19, 1880	Bridgeton,	*Rev. Charles E. Knox, D.D., . . .	Newark.
Oct. 18, 1881	Asbury Park, . .	*Rev. Joseph G. Symmes, D.D., . .	Monmouth.
Oct. 17, 1882	Hackettstown, . .	*Rev. Alfred Yeomans, D.D.,	Morris and Orange.
Oct. 16, 1883	Orange,	Rev. Edwin A. Bulkley, D.D., . . .	Jersey City.
Oct. 21, 1884	Elizabeth,	*Rev. Samuel M. Hamill, D.D., . . .	New Brunswick.
Oct. 20, 1885	Atlantic City, . .	Rev. Allen H. Brown,	West Jersey.
Oct. 18, 1886	Camden,	Rev. William Thomson,	Newton.
Oct. 17, 1887	Asbury Park, . .	*Rev. Frank Chandler, D.D.,	Monmouth.
Oct. 15, 1888	Asbury Park, . .	Rev. K. P. Ketcham, D.D.,	Elizabeth.
Oct. 21, 1889	Asbury Park, . .	*Rev. Henry M. Storrs, D.D., . . .	Morris and Orange.
Oct. 20, 1890	Atlantic City, . .	Rev. David R. Frazer, D.D.,	Newark.
Oct. 20, 1891	Long Branch, . .	Rev. Charles D. Shaw, D.D.,	Jersey City.
Oct. 18, 1892	Belvidere,	Rev. R. Hamill Nassau, D.D., . . .	Corisco.
Oct. 17, 1893	Bridgeton,	Rev. S. M. Studdiford, D.D., . . .	New Brunswick.
Oct. 16, 1894	Trenton,	Rev. Frederic R. Brace, D.D., . . .	West Jersey.
Oct. 15, 1895	N. Brunswick, . .	Rev. Henry S. Butler, D.D.,	Newton.
Oct. 27, 1896	Atlantic City, . .	Rev. Benjamin S. Everitt, D.D., . .	Monmouth.
Oct. 19, 1897	Plainfield,	*Rev. John A. Liggett, D.D.,	Elizabeth.
Oct. 18, 1898	Asbury Park, . .	Rev. Albert Erdman, D.D.,	Morris and Orange.
Oct. 17, 1899	Asbury Park, . .	*Rev. A. Nelson Hollifield, D.D., . .	Newark.
Oct. 16, 1900	Atlantic City, . .	Rev. Melvin Fraser,	Corisco.
Oct. 15, 1901	Atlantic City, . .	Rev. Charles Herr, D.D.,	Jersey City.
Oct. 21, 1902	Asbury Park, . .	Rev. Walter A. Brooks, D.D., . . .	New Brunswick.

*Deceased.

Ministers of the Synod of New Jersey.

- Abbott, Justin E., Bombay, India. J. C.
 Adams, James Bailie, Elwood. W. J.
 Aikman, Wm., D.D., Atlantic City. W. J.
 Allen, Adolos, Cranbury. Mon.
 Allen, Lyman W., D.D., Newark. N'rk.
 Allen, William, Jr., Pennington. N. B.
 Anderson, Daniel B., Camden. W. J.
 Armstrong, Amzi J., Dutch Neck. N. B.
 Armstrong, William P., Princeton. N. B.
- Bagnall, Powhatan, Paterson. J. C.
 Baillie, John K., D.D., Hamburg. Newt.
 Baldwin, Caleb C., D.D., East Orange.
 Newark.
 Baldwin, Theodore A., Broussa, Turkey.
 Newark.
 Bale, Albert G., Asbury Park. Mon.
 Bamford, John, Fairton. W. J.
 Bannard, William, D.D., Philadelphia, Pa.
 W. J.
 Barbour, Robert, Montclair. N'rk.
 Bartlett, Maitland V., Princeton. N. B.
 Bauer, Christopher, Long Hill. M. & O.
 Beach, Sylvester W., Paris, France. W. J.
 Beadle, Heber H., Bridgeton. W. J.
 Beatty, Henry T., Ph.D., D.D., Hoboken.
 J. C.
 Beaumont, James B., Morristown. M. & O.
 Becker, Nicholas S., Passaic. J. C.
 Bennett, Wm. Russell, Morristown. M. & O.
 Bergen, George, Rutherford. J. C.
 Berger, Edward, Keyport. Mon.
 Elaavelt, I. Alstync, D.D., Roselle. Eliz.
 Boardman, Samuel W., D.D., LL.D.,
 Bloomfield. N'rk.
 Booth, Fisher Howe, Tenafly. J. C.
 Botsford, Alfred P., D.D., Woodbury.
 W. J.
 Bowen, Thomas W., Lafayette. Newt.
 Bowers, Nicholas, Basking Ridge. M. & O.
 Brace, Frederic R., D.D., Blackwood. W. J.
 Bradley, Joseph H., D.D., National Soldiers'
 Home, Va. Mon.
 Brenneman, Frank S., Greenwich. W. J.
 Bridges, John J., Newark. N'rk.
 Bridges, Thomas R., Newark. N'rk.
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