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OF THE
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OF THE
SYNOD OF NEW YORK
OF THE
PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
IN THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

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October 16 - 18, 1922

WITH AN APPENDIX

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THE SYNOD OF NEW YORK

A. D. 1922

The Synod of New York met, in accordance with the will of the presbyteries, in Westminster Presbyterian Church of Buffalo, New York, on Monday, October sixteenth, 1922, at four o'clock P. M.

Synod was constituted with prayer.

On the report of the Committee on Enrollment the following ministers and ruling elders were recognized as duly appointed delegates, and their names were entered upon the

ROLL OF SYNOD

I. PRESBYTERY OF ALBANY

Ministers

Julius Brockway
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D. L. Van Houten
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SYNOD OF NEW YORK

IV. PRESBYTERY OF BUFFALO

George A. Buttrick	F. G. Anderson
William B. Gates	N. G. Clarke
Samuel V. V. Holmes	Benjamin Doelman
Murray S. Howland	J. A. Hobbie
George L. MacClelland	J. G. Murdock
Charles H. Stewart	
Charles B. Thompson	

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Malcolm L. MacPhail	Eburn H. Coutant
Robert Hastings Nichols	Joseph J. Drennen
Stanley C. Page	J. S. Morse

VI. PRESBYTERY OF CHAMPLAIN

Aaron W. Maddox	Arthur E. McClary
Lary B. Small	

VII. PRESBYTERY OF CHEMUNG

Walter D. Cavert	C. Eugene Erway
William C. Falconer	

VIII. PRESBYTERY OF CHILE

IX. PRESBYTERY OF COLUMBIA

James F. Riggs	Edward Morse
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X. PRESBYTERY OF EASTERN PERSIA

XI. PRESBYTERY OF GENESEE

Charles C. Barnes	F. B. Gleason
Charles A. Bourner	

XII. PRESBYTERY OF GENEVA

Henry A. Porter	Abram L'Amoreaux
G. Howard Michelson	David H. Henry

XIII. PRESBYTERY OF HUDSON

Charles M. Ackerman	T. G. Clark
George H. Bonsall	C. C. Crawford
Samuel F. Franklin	H. A. Horton
Joseph McC. Leiper	K. D. L. Niven
	W. H. Seward

XIV. PRESBYTERY OF LONG ISLAND

George W. Rexford	F. Willis Edwards
William Striker	Morgan Topping

XV. PRESBYTERY OF LYONS

Luther A. Ostrander	C. P. Bennett
Albert J. Thomas	A. E. Williams

XVI. PRESBYTERY OF NEW YORK

Arthur H. Allen	Thomas Bell
Paul E. Baker	J. W. Edgerly
Seth C. Craig	William Greenlees
Simeon B. Dunn	W. G. Kammerer
Frederick W. Evans	George C. Loeser
James A. McCague	Samuel Sloane
Duncan J. McMillan	
Mebane Ramsay	
George S. Webster	
Howard V. Yergin	

XVII. PRESBYTERY OF NIAGARA

Albert S. Bacon	Fred G. Haake
Godfrey Chobot	Robert Parkhill

XVIII. PRESBYTERY OF NORTH RIVER

Alexander Alison	James S. Chaffee
William Mackay	Chester Husted
William O. Nagle	Frank S. Snyder

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XIX. PRESBYTERY OF NORTH SIAM

XX. PRESBYTERY OF OTSEGO

William D. Jones	Thomas B. Roberts
Adrian Van Oeveren	Charles G. Smith

XXI. PRESBYTERY OF PORTO RICO

William M. Orr

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Charles H. Brown	O. K. Hamilton
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Michele Frasca	Frank G. Stark
Stanley S. Gutelius	William Stokes
James L. Jewell	E. H. White
Frank M. Weston	

XXIII. PRESBYTERY OF ST. LAWRENCE

Arthur T. Cort	John E. Rienbeck
H. Victor Frelick	Amos W. Rodger
William C. MacIntyre	

XXIV. PRESBYTERY OF SOUTH SIAM

XXV. PRESBYTERY OF STEUBEN

Robert E. Findlay	Marion Lewis
Harry L. Somers	

XXVI. PRESBYTERY OF SYRACUSE

James A. Cunningham	Irving J. Clark
Theodore T. Hays	William A. Gere
Charles M. Herrick	Charles M. Kessler
Frederick C. Schorge	

XXVII. PRESBYTERY OF TROY

Thomas D. Carey	William Hamilton
John Lyon Caughey	William H. Hollister, Jr.
Paul R. Hickok	Zenas Van Deusen Orton
Edward A. Loux	William H. Wilcox

XXVIII. PRESBYTERY OF UTICA

Alexander R. Barron	Arthur Hay
Edward I. Campbell	Gomer Jones
Arthur J. Dean	Philip F. Stephens
Peter McKenzie	

XXIX. PRESBYTERY OF WESTCHESTER

Benjamin W. Everitt	Thomas T. Hill
Daniel M. Geddes	Thomas J. Mellars
Robert P. Gibson	E. Stanley Sloat
James P. Gillespie	Henry Strang
Warren N. Nevius	

The Rev. Albert S. Bacon, D.D., of the Presbytery of Niagara, was chosen Moderator, and was duly inducted into office.

On motion it was voted that a committee of five be appointed to nominate candidates for the office of Temporary Clerk, and to report the next morning. On motion it was voted that the same committee should nominate candidates for the offices of Stated Clerk and Permanent Clerk. The Moderator subsequently appointed as this committee the Rev. George S. Webster, D.D., the Rev. J. Elmer Russell, the Rev. Malcolm L. MacPhail, Ph.D., and elders O. K. Hamilton and Dr. J. A. Hobbie.

On motion it was voted that the subject of the reorganization of Synod be the order of the day for the next morning from eleven to twelve o'clock.

The Rev. Samuel V. V. Holmes, D.D., pastor of Westminster Church, extended to Synod a cordial welcome, and the Moderator fitly replied.

It was requested that at three o'clock P. M. on the next day the Rev. R. H. Rennie have ten minutes to address Synod on the matter of the

Near East Relief. The request was referred to the Committee on Arrangements.

The program printed by the Committee on Arrangements was on motion adopted as the docket of Synod, subject to such changes as Synod might order. The program was as follows:

Monday, October 16th

- 4:00 P. M. The Enrollment of Delegates.
The Constituting of Synod.
The Election of Moderator and Temporary Clerks.
Address of Welcome by Rev. Samuel V. V. Holmes, D.D.,
Buffalo.
- 8:00 P. M. Public Meeting—In the interest of Religious Education.
Address by Professor Walter S. Athearn, LL.D., Dean
of the Boston University School of Religious Education,
Boston, Mass. Subject: "Spiritual Illiteracy and Its
Remedies."

Tuesday, October 17th

- 9:00 A. M. Devotional Service—Led by the Rev. Arthur B. McCormick,
D.D., Binghamton.
- 9:30 to 11:00 A. M. General Conference on Religious Education.
The Rev. David H. Craver, D.D., Superintendent of Religious
Education of the Synod of New York, presiding.
(1) Report of the Committee on Religious Education
(5 minutes).
(2) "The Week-Day School of Religion."
(3) "The Curriculum."
Discussions opened by Dean Edward P. St. John of Auburn
Theological Seminary.
- 11:00 to 12:00 A. M. Business of Synod.
- 12:00 to 2:00 P. M. LUNCHEON
In connection with the luncheon:
Report of the Committee on Men's Work (5 minutes).
Address by the Rev. George P. Horst, D.D., Field Secretary,
Chicago. Subject: "Men and the Church."
- 2:00 to 3:00 P. M. Conference on Christian Life and Work.
Conducted by the Rev. Paul Moore Strayer, D.D.,
Rochester.
- 3:00 to 4:00 P. M. Conference on Synodical Home Missions:
With the report of the State Superintendent,
the Rev. U. L. Mackey.
- 4:00 P. M. Synod's Service of Public Worship.
With sermon by the retiring Moderator, the Rev. Luther
A. Ostrander, D.D. Subject: "The Light that Saves."
—Matt. 5:14.
A tribute to those ministers who during the year have entered
into Life.
The Celebration of the Holy Communion.

- 8:00 P. M. Public Meeting.
 Address by the Rev. Hugh Black, D.D., of Union Theological Seminary.
 Subject: "The Claims and Opportunities of the Christian Ministry."

Wednesday, October 19th

- 9:00 A. M. Devotional Service—Led by the Rev. Arthur B. McCormick, D.D., Binghamton.

- 9:30 to 11:00 A. M. General Conference on The Ministry.
 The Rev. George B. Stewart, D.D., of Auburn Theological Seminary, presiding.

- (1) Report of the Committee on Education (5 minutes).
- (2) Recruiting of Candidates.
 Discussion opened by the Rev. Charles McKenzie, D. D., Johnstown.
- (3) Theological Seminaries.
 Discussion opened by the Rev. Frank M. Weston, D. D., Rochester.

- 11:00 to 12:00 A. M. Report of the Committee on Ministerial Relief. (5 minutes).
 Conference on Ministerial Relief and Sustentation.
 Conducted by the Rev. Henry B. Master, D.D., Philadelphia.

- 12:00 to 2:00 P. M. LUNCHEON
 In connection with the luncheon:
 Report of Synod's New Era Committee (5 minutes).
 Address by the Rev. Samuel W. McKelvey, D.D., Philadelphia.
 Subject: "The Meaning of Stewardship."

- 2:00 to 3:00 P. M. Reports of Committees and Business of Synod.
 Report of Committee on Church Erection (5 minutes).
 Report of Committee on Freedmen (5 minutes).

- 3:00 to 4:00 P. M. Discussion of General Assembly's plan for reorganization of the Boards of the Church.

- 4:00 to 5:00 P. M. Conference on Authority in the Home, the Church and the State.
 Report of the Committee on Sabbath Observance. (5 minutes).
 Report of the Committee on Temperance and Moral Welfare (5 minutes).
 Address by William H. Anderson, State Superintendent of the Anti-Saloon League.

- 8:00 P. M. Public Meeting.
 Report of the Committee on Foreign Missions.
 The Rev. Charles McKenzie, D. D., Chairman.
 Address by Robert E. Speer, LL.D., of the Presbyterian Board of Foreign Missions.
 Subject: "Christianity in International Affairs."

The minutes of this session were read and on motion approved.
 After prayer by the Moderator Synod took recess until 8 P. M.

Monday, October 16, 1922, 8 P. M.

A public meeting in the interest of Religious Education was held. An address was given by Professor Walter S. Athearn, LL.D., Dean of the School of Religious Education of Boston University, on "Spiritual Illiteracy and its Remedies."

Tuesday, October 17, 9 A. M.

Synod held a devotional service, led by the Rev. Arthur B. McCormick, D.D.

At 9:30 A. M. a conference on Religious Education began, the Rev. David H. Craver, D.D., Synod's Superintendent of Religious Education, presiding.

The Permanent Committee on Religious Education presented its report, by its chairman, the Rev. Nevin D. Bartholomew. The report was accepted and its recommendations, amended, were adopted, as follows:

The report of Synod's Superintendent of Religious Education, Rev. David H. Craver, was received. It was a report of encouragement in service rendered and in results achieved. It showed that he had traveled 16,343 miles, delivered 212 addresses, conducted 262 conferences, distributed 2,933 pieces of literature, and cooperated with pastors in organizing councils of religious education, grading schools, introducing graded curricula, starting teacher training, vacation Bible schools, week day church schools, and correlating the work of the various religious educational agencies in the local church. At the direction of Synod's Committee, the Superintendent of Religious Education has held conferences with nearly all the Presbyterial Committees of Religious Education and Sabbath School Work, and has conducted conferences with presbyteries and at ministers' meetings. The greater part of his time, however, has been given to visiting individual churches, going to several each week throughout the year. It has been this work that has been most fruitful and helpful. The visit has begun with a careful personal conference with the pastor, at which the latter has told of the educational program in his church. The religious educational program of our denomination then has been gone over in detail. After that, the pastor has chosen such phases of the program as he desired to have presented to his officers and congregation in the larger conferences that followed. As the members of Synod already know, our Superintendent of Religious Education has been put into the field by the joint action of the Synod and the Board of Publication and Sabbath School Work. The Board finances the expenses out of the contributions of the churches of Synod so that the services of the superintendent are available for churches without expense to them other than his entertainment.

Secular education in our land has made noteworthy progress during recent years. Someone has said that we have no nobler body of idealists in the land than our public school teachers. They have made a careful study of the child mind and have developed a technique of teaching that is adapted in each grade to the child. This technique has been continuously corrected and improved as psychology has made further discoveries. There has been assembled and classified a large body of subject matter. With this as the teaching material a carefully planned and graded curriculum has been organized, its lessons adapted to the mind of the various age groups. A great force of teachers and supervisors has been trained. Methods for the measuring of results have been devised and in the light of their revelation the entire teaching process has been improved until it has been brought to a high state of efficiency. Religious education is worthy of as careful thought in the endeavor to employ

the best organization, curriculum, and teaching methods. It is not the same in kind as secular education, but it ought to be as efficient in its sphere.

The Religious education leaders of our church are endeavoring to make this work worthy and efficient, presenting a balanced and correlated program to the end that the young may be taught to live the Christian life through faith in the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ. We would commend to pastors and sessions the educational program of our Board and urge that they convene in council the officers of the Sunday school and of various young people's and missionary societies for its study with a view to adopting such parts of it as will make their work a greater spiritual blessing to the young.

We wish to express our appreciation of the Departmental Graded Lessons published by the Board which are being used with gratification in so many of our Sunday Schools, and to commend them to all. We would call your attention to the new elective courses for the Young People's and Adult departments. They are filling a need and performing an indicated service. We desire especially to bring to your attention the new Westminster Textbooks of Religious Education for church schools having week day, Sunday and expressional sessions. These are a distinct advance over anything published by any denomination in the past. An urgent necessity at the present juncture with our many organizations, each trying to offer some factor in the religious training of the young, is correlation. These text-books offer a carefully correlated curriculum of worship, instruction and expression for the Primary, Junior, and Intermediate departments in three lessons a week, one for the week day church school, a second for the Sunday School, and a third for the expressional society in each grade.

Noteworthy contributions to leadership training have been made by the Young People's Summer Conferences conducted by the Board at Auburn, June 26 — July 2, and at Blairstown, N. J., July 5 — 11, and August 21 — 27, and by the Auburn Summer School of Religious Education conducted at Auburn, N. Y. July 31 — August 12. All of these had a large enrollment and did excellent work.

We would recommend:

I. That pastors and sessions organize religious education as the primary task of the Christian church, and that with prayer and thought and consecrated effort they place this work on a high level of educational efficiency, to the end that we make our children men and women of God, "completely furnished unto every good work."

II. That Sunday schools be graded and graded lessons used adapted to the minds of the students in each grade.

III. That teacher training classes be started in the Sunday school of the young people of the ages 15, 16, and 17, making a Teacher Training department parallel with the Senior department of the school. We would urge that young men as well as young women be asked to enter these classes, for young men are needed as Christian leaders. We would suggest also that, wherever it is possible, some form of teacher training be provided for present teachers through lectures and the circulation of a small religious education library of half a dozen or more books.

IV. That churches seize the opportunity for community service in the religious education of the young offered in the Vacation Bible School and the Week Day Church School, and organize these as soon as possible.

V. That churches send selected leaders from among their young people to the summer conferences conducted by our Board of Publication and Sabbath School Work through its department of Young People's Work at Auburn, N. Y. and Blairstown, N. J., and to the Auburn Summer School of Religious Education at Auburn, N. Y.

VI. That pastors consider the fairness of asking that Regents' credit be given for Bible study done under the guidance of churches and their week-day schools, and that pastors present this to their officers and members for the creation of intelligent sentiment.

VII. That Synod's Committee of Religious Education be allowed \$300.00, the same as last year, for necessary expenses in the work that has been committed to it.

VIII. That Synod's Committee of Religious Education be directed to approach the Commissioner of Education of the State and the Regents of the University of the State of New York to the intent that Regents' credits may be given for Bible study.

The chairman gave an address on the work of Week-Day Schools of Religion. Miss Edna L. Atchison gave an account of the work of this kind carried on under her direction in the Presbyterian Church of Tonawanda, N. Y. Addresses were made by Dr. Irving J. Clark of Syracuse and the Rev. James F. Riggs of Catskill. Discussion followed.

An address on "The Curriculum of the Week-Day School of Religion" was given by Dean Edward P. St. John, of the School of Religious Education of Auburn Theological Seminary. Discussion followed.

At 11 A. M., the hour for general business, the Moderator took the chair, and prayer was offered by the Rev. G. A. Papperman.

The Moderator announced the appointment of the Rev. Frank M. Weston, D.D., of the Presbytery of Rochester, as Vice-Moderator, and of the following committees:

STANDING COMMITTEES

1. Bills and Overtures:

Ministers—L. A. Ostrander, Peter McKenzie, Robert P. Gibson
Elders—Henry Strang, David H. Henry

2. Judicial Business:

Ministers—Edward A. Loux, Theodore M. Carlisle, William O. Nagle
Elders—Irving J. Clark, Dr. J. W. Edgerly

3. Minutes of the General Assembly:

Ministers—Professor Robert H. Nichols, Charles B. F. Pease,
Robert Findlay
Elders—Arthur L. Stuart, Marion Lewis

4. Finance:

Elders—A. E. Williams, W. H. Seward, Abram L'Amoreaux,
Frederick B. Gleason, K. D. L. Niven

5. Leave of Absence:

Ministers—Aaron W. Maddox, G. A. Buttrick, William C.
Falconer
Elders—C. D. Bennett, Charles W. Smith

6. Nomination of the Woman's Synodical Committee on Home Missions:

Ministers—Adrian Van Oeveren, William M. Orr
Elder—C. D. Bennett

7. Nomination of Trustees of Synod:

Ministers—Paul R. Hickok, Arthur J. Dean
Elder—W. H. Wilcox

8. To collate the reports on Presbyterial Records:

Ministers—James L. Jewell, Mebane Ramsay
Elder—J. A. Hobbie

9. Nomination of Permanent Committees:

Ministers—Duncan J. McMillan, Godfrey Chobot
Elder—Henry Strang

Committee on Resolutions:

Ministers—Charles McKenzie, Robert W. Anthony, John
Lyon Caughey

The committee to nominate candidates for the clerkships reported by its chairman, the Rev. George S. Webster, D.D., nominating for the office of Temporary Clerk the Rev. Theodore M. Carlisle of the Presbytery of Rochester and the Rev. James P. Gillespie of the Presbytery of Westchester. There were no other nominations. On motion it was voted that these candidates be elected Temporary Clerks.

The same committee further reported, nominating for re-election to the office of Permanent Clerk, for a term of five years, the Rev. Daniel A. Ferguson, D.D., of the Presbytery of St. Lawrence. There were no

other nominations. On motion it was voted unanimously that the Stated Clerk cast the ballot of Synod for the election of the Rev. Dr. Ferguson, and he was declared elected.

The same committee further reported, nominating for the office of Stated Clerk, for a term of five years, the Rev. Robert Hastings Nichols, Ph.D., D.D., of the Presbytery of Cayuga. There were no other nominations. On motion it was voted unanimously that the Stated Clerk cast the ballot of Synod for the election of the Rev. Dr. Nichols. He was declared elected, and took office.

Synod's high appreciation of the services of the Rev. J. Wilford Jacks, D.D., Stated Clerk for nineteen years, was expressed by the rising of all the members.

The committee on Resolutions, by its chairman, the Rev. Charles McKenzie, D.D., presented the following resolution, which was adopted: That the Moderator of the Presbyterian Synod of New York convey the greetings of Synod to the Biennial Convention of the United Lutheran Church in America now in session in this city, in person if possible, or by a representative whom he shall name.

The Moderator subsequently appointed to act with himself in this matter the Rev. Charles McKenzie, D.D., and Colonel D. S. Alexander, elder of Westminster Church of Buffalo.

The Committee on the Reorganization of Synod reported by its chairman, the Rev. J. Milton Thompson, D.D., as follows:

The proposed plan for reorganization of Synod, which by instruction of Synod of 1921 was sent down to the presbytery for their consideration and action, was voted upon by our twenty-four home presbyteries as follows: negative, 5; no action, 4; affirmative, 8; no report received, 7.

One presbytery, the strongest in the Synod, accompanied its negative vote with the expression of an emphatic desire for some form of reorganization. Another presbytery taking no action on the proposed plan expressed a like desire for reorganization.

Your committee would therefore recommend that the present, or a new committee, at the discretion of Synod, be instructed to formulate a plan for the reorganization of Synod which shall:

(1) Coordinate as far as possible all administrative agencies of the Synod so as to adequately care for all the interests of Synod from the viewpoint of efficiency in management and economy in expenditure.

(2) Comply with General Assembly action relative to Synodical activity.

(3) Be in harmony with the action of the Assembly of May, 1922, in the consolidation of Board and Agencies, and all matters therein involved which in any wise are related to synodical jurisdiction and operation, in order that unified cooperation may be maintained.

(4) This committee shall submit such plan to the Synod of 1923 for action by said Synod.

(5) That the Stated Clerk of Synod shall be a member of this committee.

(6) That the necessary expenses of this committee shall be paid by the Treasurer of Synod.

On motion it was voted that the recommendations be adopted and that the committee be continued for the ensuing year.* The committee, as thus appointed, consists of the Rev. J. Milton Thompson, D.D., the Rev. Robert W. Anthony, the Rev. John Lyon Caughy, D.D., the Rev. John M. MacInnis, Litt.D., the Rev. Charles McKenzie, D.D., the Rev. Carl W. Scovel, the Rev. Paul Moore Strayer, D.D., and the Stated Clerk.

The report of the Trustees of Synod was presented and accepted. The report was as follows, the report of the Treasurer of the Trustees being appended :

Albany, N. Y. October 12, 1922.

To the Synod of New York:

Your Board of Trustees would respectfully submit the following report for the year.

One meeting of the Board has been held in New York City.

The present officers are as follows :

President,Anthony H. Evans, D.D.
 Treasurer,Edwin T. Hanford
 Secretary,John T. D. Blackburn

Appended hereto is a complete statement of all the securities held by the Trustees. They total \$28,394.32, the same as last year.

The income and disbursement account is as follows :

Total receipts		\$ 1,342.08
Disbursements		
Toward salary for work for foreign peoples.....	\$ 1,125.00	
Toward salary of pastor of Italian Church, Schenectady	29.75	
Expenses of administration	41.87	1,196.62
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Balance on hand		145.46

There is also held by the Trustees a fund of \$5,000.00 for the Cherry Valley Church. The income, amounting to \$275.00, has been paid to the treasurer of this church.

Respectfully submitted by direction of the Board,
 JOHN T. D. BLACKBURN,
 Secretary.

*See further action, p. 53.

October 5, 1922.

To the Trustees of the Synod of New York:—

The following are the securities in my hands:

Mortgage on 154 East 100th St., New York @ 5% due Feb., 1924 (Company's valuation \$13,800)	\$9,000.00
Mortgage on property north side 53rd St. west of 12th Ave., Brooklyn, @ 5½% due Dec. 1, 1924 (Company's valuation \$13,000)	7,500.00
Mortgage on Property west side Farmers Boulevard, north of 104th Ave., Queens, @ 5½% due Dec. 1, 1924	4,500.00
First Mortgage Certificate @ 5½% on 410-14 East 13th St., New York due April, 1926	2,300.00
(Principal and interest on the foregoing guaranteed by Lawyers Mort- gage Co. of New York.)	

The mortgages of \$7,500 and \$4,500 replace mortgages of same amounts which were paid off this year.

Five \$1,000 Chicago, Rock Island & Pacific R. R. Co. First & Re- funding 4% Bonds bought @ 88¾	4,437.50
Bank Book in 4% Interest Department, Merchants National Bank, Middletown, N. Y.	6.82
(The above are the investments of the Charles L. Palmer legacy of \$27,744.32).	
\$700 U. S. Converted Liberty Loan 4¼% bonds carried at	650.00
(These represent the Emily S. Tribe Legacy of \$500).	
Total investments	<u>\$28,394.32</u>

INCOME ACCOUNT—RECEIPTS AND DISBURSEMENTS

Oct. 4, 1921, Balance on hand	\$78.78
Interest one year on \$9,000 Mortgage	450.00
Interest six months on \$7,500 Mortgage	187.50
Interest six months on \$4,500 Mortgage	112.50
Interest one year on \$2,300 Mortgage Cft.	126.50
Interest four months on \$7,500 Mortgage	137.50
Interest one year on \$5,000 C. R. I. & P. Bonds	200.00
Interest one year on \$700, 2nd L. L. Bonds	29.75
Interest on \$6.8224
American Surety Co. rebate of premium a/c reduction Treas- urer's Bonds	19.31
	<u>\$1,342.08</u>

DISBURSEMENTS FOR SYNODICAL AID

To Varian Banks, Treasurer, toward salary of Secretary in charge of work for foreign peoples	\$1,125.00
To Varian Banks, Treasurer, toward salary of Pastor of Italian Mission of First Church of Schenectady, N. Y., from income of Tribe Legacy	29.75
Total for synodical aid	\$1,154.75

EXPENSES

William H. Seward, R. R. fare, Annual Meeting	\$5.60
F. S. Haines, R. R. fare, Annual Meeting	2.75
E. T. Hanford, R. R. fare, Annual Meeting	3.50
J. M. Thompson, R. R. fare, Annual Meeting	1.00
J. T. D. Blackburn, R. R. fare, Annual Meeting	13.52
A. Taylor Co., Renewal Treasurer's Bond of \$5,000.....	12.50
Merchants National Bank Safe Deposit Box Rent	3.00
Total expense	\$41.87
Balance on hand this date	145.46

The advance payment of \$225 reported last year towards salary of Secretary in charge of work for Foreign People together with the \$1,125 paid this year makes the total amount \$1,350 for this year, being in accordance with the instruction of this Board.

In addition to the funds already mentioned, there is the Catherine Roseboom Legacy of \$5,000 held in trust for the church at Cherry Valley, N. Y. The investment of this legacy is in a mortgage guaranteed by the Westchester-Bronx Title & Mortgage Guaranty Co. on a house and lot in New Rochelle, N. Y., due March, 1923, at 5½%, and the income of \$275.00 for the year to September, 1922, has been paid to the Treasurer of the Cherry Valley Church, and his receipts are held for the same. This mortgage is the only investment maturing this year, and provision should be made for re-investing this money.

The question of selling the Chicago, Rock Island & Pacific bonds in case the purchase price is reached in the market, and also the wisdom of holding the \$700 2nd L. L. 4¼ % Bonds if par can be had for them may well be considered by the Trustees.

The report of the Treasurer of Synod, John T. D. Blackburn, was read and referred to the Committee on Finance.*

It having been reported that the Rev. Alexander Alison, D.D., a delegate to Synod, had been stricken with illness after his arrival in Buffalo and thus compelled to return to his home, the following resolution was adopted: That the Stated Clerk be instructed to write to the Rev. Alexander Alison, D.D., a former Moderator of Synod, expressing Synod's sympathy in his illness and warm hope and prayers for his recovery.

*See the report of this committee, p. 51.

The interests of the Presbyterian Magazine were presented by the Rev. William H. Crothers, D.D., Associate Secretary of the General Board of Education.

The delegates to the New York Council of Churches, appointed by the Synod of 1921, reported through their chairman, the Rev. Thomas Johnson Bolger. The report, which was accepted, was as follows:

The meeting of the delegates appointed by the various denominations to form the New York State Council of Churches met in the Session Room of the Westminster Presbyterian Church, Utica, on Thursday, September 21, at 10 o'clock in the morning.

The meeting was called to order by Rev. U. L. Mackey of New York. Devotional services were conducted by Rev. R. S. Snyder, pastor of the entertaining church, following which the temporary organization for the day was completed by the election of Rev. Dr. U. L. Mackey of New York City, Chairman, and Rev. A. M. Wight of Syracuse, Secretary.

Forty delegates were present, representing the Baptist, Congregational, Presbyterian, Methodist Episcopal, Methodist Protestant, Reformed, Christian, Moravian and Universalist denominations. Dr. Roy B. Guild reported for the Committee on Constitution and Organization. It was voted that the matter of permanent organization be deferred until the afternoon session.

Rev. E. T. Root, Secretary of the Massachusetts Federation of Churches, gave an inspiring address on "Massachusetts Churches Fighting together in Moral Issues." The address was full of illustrations of the moral value which the Council of Churches had rendered in the past year. It was followed by a general discussion.

Rev. Edward de S. Brunner of the Committee on Social and Religious Surveys then addressed the body on "Rural Conditions in New York State." In a clear and convincing manner he presented conditions as they actually exist in the rural sections of two counties. This address called forth a lively discussion from the delegates.

Rev. B. F. Lamb, Secretary of Ohio Federation of Churches, spoke on "How the Churches of Ohio are Meeting This Problem." Dr. Lamb presented several charts showing rural conditions and how they had been remedied by the federated work of the Council of Churches. The talk created deep interest as to the possibilities of the Council. These discussions led to the motion that a Committee be appointed to meet during the lunch hour, and bring in their findings at the afternoon session, and such a committee was appointed, as follows: Rev. H. C. Colebrook, Rev. Edward Bleakney, Mr. H. A. Carhart, Rev. Mason W. Hall, Rev. J. B. Gove, Rev. Darwin F. Pickard, Rev. Walter H. Rollins, Rev. Andrew M. Wight, Rev. Frank L. Love, Rev. Walter L. Bennett and Rev. H. A. Gerdson.

Dr. Guild spoke of the expense incurred in bringing speakers, and a collection amounting to \$45.25 was received.

Rev. O. J. Price, Secretary of the Rochester Federation of Churches, gave an address on "Uniting the Cities of New York for Service through a State Council." Following this address the Committee on Resolutions made their recommendations, which were as follows:

1. That the delegates present heartily endorse the movement for a New York State Council of Churches, with a budget of \$10,000, and that the matter

be referred to the State bodies for their approval. This recommendation was unanimously carried.

2. That the word "State" be added to Article I of the Constitution, making it "The Name of this Organization shall be 'The New York State Council of Churches.'" Carried unanimously.

3. That the services of Rev. O. J. Price of Rochester be secured as temporary Organizing Secretary, until such time as a permanent Secretary shall be secured, to give such assistance as he may find time to render. It was moved and seconded that this recommendation be endorsed. Unanimously carried.

4. That the committee appointed at the morning session, the Rev. Eli Pitman, D.D., and Dr. F. H. Coman being added, become the Continuation Committee, and the following named men act as temporary officers :

Chairman,Rev. U. L. Mackey
 Vice Chairman,Rev. H. C. Colebrook
 Corresponding Secretary,Rev. E. A. Dent
 Recording Secretary and Treasurer,Rev. Andrew M. Wight

It was moved and carried that this recommendation be adopted and that those whose names were read be elected.

A committee consisting of Rev. H. C. Colebrook and Secretary Rev. Andrew M. Wight was chosen to draft suitable resolutions on the recent death of Dr. W. A. Granger.

It was voted that the Continuation Committee be empowered to convene the Council, when the various denominational bodies shall have ratified the above action and chosen their respective delegates.

On motion it was voted that the delegates to the New York State Council of Churches be reappointed. The delegates, thus reappointed, are these :

Ministers—Thomas Johnson Bolger, E. VanDyke Wight, D.D., Paul R. Hickok, D.D., Putnam Cady, D.D., Darwin F. Pickard, D.D., David H. Craver, D.D., U. L. Mackey, James F. Riggs, and the Moderator *ex-officio*.

Elders—Mason W. Hall, F. D. Gaylord, Charles Husted, William Clubb, Z. Bennett Phelps, D. H. McConnell, Charles P. Wray, Orrin C. Stevens, Herbert A. Carhart, Walter C. Kimball, Edward M. Cameron.

On motion it was voted that Synod pay its share of the current expenses of the year in connection with the work of the New York State Council of Churches.

The Rev. William Bishop Gates, pastor of the church at Olean, invited Synod to send a representative to the celebration of the centennial of this church. The invitation was on motion accepted, and the Moderator subsequently appointed as Synod's representative the Rev. Carl W. Scovel.

The Permanent Committee on Foreign Missions, by its chairman, the Rev. Charles McKenzie, D.D., asked leave to present its report at this time, instead of at the time appointed by the docket. It having been voted to grant this request, the Committee presented its report. This was accepted, and the Committee's request for an appropriation of \$250 for its expenses during the ensuing year was granted. The report, somewhat abbreviated, was as follows:

The churches never were more generous in their gifts. The year which has just closed, a year of financial depression and unusual difficulties, was one of the most fruitful and encouraging in the entire history of the work. The total receipts this year amounted to \$4,067,758.24, which paid all bills with a surplus of \$66,075.52 which has been applied to the old deficit which now stands at \$129,000.00. The offering of youth applying for service in foreign lands was never greater than now. During the year over 500 candidates, in addition to those already listed, were in correspondence in regard to some form of missionary service.

The Budget adopted for the present fiscal year is \$4,643,000.00, an increase of about \$700,000.00 over the Budget authorized a year ago. It will require the utmost prayer and sacrifice on the part of the Church, if this Budget is to be realized. Receipts from living donors for the Board's regular work for the first five months of the present fiscal year (to August 31st) amounted to only \$563,652.89. This is a slight increase over the corresponding period of a year ago, but is only a small proportion of the amount needed for the year's work.

Synod's Committee held a conference during the winter to which were invited the chairmen of the presbyterial committees, and an unusually large attendance was secured. The present situation was laid before these men and it was unanimously agreed in order to meet the immediate needs of the work it was necessary to quicken interest throughout the churches in the Synod, and definite plans were formulated for getting in touch with every church in every Presbytery in the State. It was enthusiastically resolved to continue the After-Supper Conferences for Men conducted by Ernest F. Hall, Field Secretary of the Board. No feature of our work has had more immediate acceptance throughout the churches than this experiment has had so far.

It was recommended that the Church School of Missions should be started in every Church, having the leaders drawn from their own membership. The field for this year's study, India, was adopted and special attention asked to be given to the cultivation of missionary education in Sunday Schools. The Missionary Exposition, as now put on by the Boards, was recommended as one of the best means of stimulating interest in our common task.

Attention was directed to the distinct advantage resulting from definite designated support of missionaries and stations by churches, Sunday Schools and individuals. Churches may support missionaries at \$1500 a year or may assume shares in the support of a missionary at \$250 each. Shares in mission stations are assigned to churches at \$50 each and to Sunday Schools at \$10 per share. Sunday Schools may assume share in the support of missionaries at \$50 per share.

It was felt that the matter of presenting the call and life work on the foreign field should be presented to the young men and women of the Church more generally by the pastors, Sundays School teachers and Christian parents.

After prayer Synod took recess until 2 P. M.

While Synod was at luncheon the Permanent Committee on Men's Work presented its report by its chairman, the Rev. Carl W. Scovel. Pending action on the report, Synod was addressed by the Rev. George P. Horst, D.D., Field Secretary of the General Assembly's Permanent Committee on Men's Work. The report was accepted and its recommendations were adopted, as follows:

The task of Social Service and the intricate problems of Community Uplift are the increasing burdens of church men.

When Fred B. Smith, the International Y. M. C. A. Secretary reports as his findings from a world-tour seeking the nations' attitude as to War or Peace, that there will be greater war within the next five years than the awful World War, unless the Christian Churches combine to ward it off, we hear one appeal to church men. And when Wall Street says the financial safety of the nation depends on church men, (for the appeal to churches is nothing else than an appeal to the men), then we see what a task to bring Christian order out of selfish riot and confusion, rests upon our men.

Doubtless as the organizations of our church men multiply, the Brotherhoods, the Men's Bible Classes, and the Westminster Clubs, etc., there will be forums on these vital topics, and then proper committees, and decided action resulting that will make this report one of triumph for the Carpenter of Nazareth and King of Calvary.

Our General Secretaries, Dr. W. F. Weir and Dr. George P. Horst of Chicago, and Dr. Chas. H. McDonald of New York have led the work most actively the past year. They have assisted about 50 churches a week in Conference programs, where definite tasks for the churches were outlined and urged. The result has always been that the New Era goals were more commonly attained where these enthusiastic conferences and efficient organizations resulted. From the central office has gone forth suggestive literature with clear plans for the organization of men. And our own strong Synod is blessed with having an enthusiastic and tactful secretary in its bounds.

But the income is not sufficient to carry on the work as it deserves. While the Budget allowed by General Assembly is \$50,00, last year only \$36,671.84 of this was received, which amount includes personal contributions. And on this account the method of extending the work of organization through conferences of chairmen and the arranging of regional meetings has been largely eliminated. Nevertheless for the encouragement of those who believe thoroughly in this department, be reminded that the churches five years ago gave only \$2,387 to this propaganda, while last year \$24,502 was given through their offerings, or a gain of \$22,165 in five years.

Rotary and Kiwanis Clubs are most attractive to business men of today. And attention must be focused on the feature that makes them accumulatively gripping on the busy men who assemble. You ask if it is not the social feature? No! it is the motto, "He profits most who serves best."

It includes work for boys, crippled children etc. Our Men's Work Committee has been urging the service for boys and ex-service soldiers which these popular clubs are pushing. And yet they have only representatives of the various trades and professions,—while the Church Club can rally all the men without limitation. It can then first of all reach down into that district of boyhood which naturally belongs to it, by family ties as well as geographical situation, and it can through these boys reach others. Our church men cannot dodge the boy-appeal. Every man can help some boy in the Sunday

School if he cannot teach. And the monthly meeting of the church organization, and the weekly meeting of the Men's Bible Class (which is a definite part of the Men's Work program), can give a chance to constantly report work for the boys and give suggestions to each trainer of a growing Christian boy.

The Church needs educated Christian men as much as America needs intelligent voters. The men's organization gives the chance to study the need of the local church and community, a review of the fascinating Missionary text-books such as we have this year on the Negroes of America and the Indians of Asia. Our churches which have done this during the past year, report cheering results and urge their fellows to try inspiration and information, instead of inertia and ignorance. Not that any one of us has developed one tithe of the underground talent in our church men, but we are digging, and the ore is most rich.

Our resolution is triple: Rally your men into some simple organization; tackle every local work you can swing; and with purse and prayer advance the national and local campaign.

Your committee recommends:

1. That Synod commend to the churches the excellent work carried on by the Assembly's Committee on Men's Work and urge that each church designate for this committee from its benevolent funds such a proportion as is suggested by the Assembly.

2. That Synod appropriate \$25 for the expenses of Synod's Committee on Men's Work.

Tuesday, October 17, 2 P. M.

The session was opened with prayer.

The committees on the records of the several presbyteries were announced, as follows, the second name in each case being that of a ruling elder: Albany—Rev. Charles H. Brown, George C. Lowe; Binghamton—Rev. Stanley C. Page, J. N. Edwards; Brooklyn-Nassau—Rev. Charles M. Herrick, George N. Miller; Buffalo—Rev. Seth C. Craig, Charles M. Kessler; Cayuga—Rev. Stanley S. Gutelius, E. H. White; Champlain—Rev. Robert Findlay, Marion Lewis; Chemung—Rev. Howard V. Yergin, F. G. Anderson; Columbia—Rev. James A. McCague, Thomas Bell; Genesee—Rev. William Mackay, Frank S. Snyder; Hudson—Rev. Henry A. Porter, Abram L'Amoreaux; Long Island—Rev. Samuel F. Franklin; Lyons—Rev. George W. Rexford, Ralph B. Dayton; New York—Rev. Joseph McC. Leiper, W. H. Seward; Niagara—Rev. James A. Cunningham, Zenas V. Orton; North River—Rev. John Lyon Caughey, William H. Hollister; Otsego—Rev. Edward I. Campbell, Arthur Hay; Porto Rico—Rev. Frederick W. Evans, Charles G. Smith; Rochester—Rev. Simeon B. Dunn, George C. Loeser; St. Lawrence—Rev. Theodore T. Hays, C. D. Bennet; Steuben—Rev. G. Howard Michelson, Philip F. Stephens; Syracuse—Rev. Daniel M. Geddes, Thomas J. Mellars; Troy—Rev. Warren N. Nevius, Henry Strang; Utica—Rev. Charles A. Bourner, T. G. Clark; Westchester—Rev. Murray S. Howland, James S. Chaffee.

A resolution regarding Near East Relief and the political situation in the Near East was presented. During consideration of it the Rev. Ralph Voorhis, D.D., addressed Synod on this subject. The resolution was adopted, as follows:

I. NEAR EAST RELIEF

We, the Synod of New York, meeting at Buffalo, on October 17th, 1922, under the shadow of the recent tragedies in the Near East, heartily approve the action of the General Assembly of 1922 which is as follows:

"In view of the urgent need known to exist, this Assembly endorses the appeal of the Near East Relief in behalf of the 200,000 orphans now under its care, 110,000 of whom are in orphanages under the protection of the American flag. This work of the Near East Relief must go on. It would be a crime against humanity to remit our efforts in behalf of these helpless wards of Christian America. We therefore recommend an adequate presentation of this cause in all our churches and Sabbath Schools without prejudice to other causes. For our churches and Sabbath Schools, we recommend the third Sunday of January as a day for its presentation, with opportunity for free will offerings and pledges towards orphan adoption."

II. JUSTICE TO THE NEAR EAST

We urge upon the President and the Secretary of State and Congress the Christian duty and obligation of using to the utmost the influence of our nation in the upholding of freedom of life and worship among our fellow-Christians in lands under non-Christian control. Especially do we urge that our Government be represented officially in the coming International Conference on Near Eastern affairs, demanding on the part of our people a cessation of persecution and of oppression of Christian minorities.

We urge upon our pastors and all leaders of Christian thought the development of such a public conscience as shall support our Government in these righteous efforts.

We recommend to Synod the appointment of a Near East Synodical Advisory Committee to cooperate with the Near East Relief in such manner as may seem advisable to carry this program into effect.

As the committee provided for in this resolution the Moderator appointed the Rev. John Lyon Caughey, D.D., the Rev. Samuel V. V. Holmes, D.D., and the Rev. George S. Webster, D.D.

The Committee on Synodical Home Missions presented its report in printed form, and copies of the pamphlet were distributed among the members of Synod. During the consideration of this subject the Rev. Charles G. Ellis, Ph.D., Vice-Chairman of the Committee, presided. Pending action on the report, the Rev. U. L. Mackey, Superintendent of Synodical Home Missions, addressed Synod. The report was approved and the accompanying resolutions were adopted, as follows:

To the Synod of New York in session at Buffalo, New York, October 16, 1922.

Your Committee on Synodical Home Missions would respectfully present this twenty-fifth annual report of its work covering the year ending September 30, 1922.

The Committee has, during the year, sought to administer such work of Home Missions as was committed to its charge in strict harmony with your instructions. The friendly co-operation of the Presbyteries, the Board of Home Missions, and other agencies of the Church has assisted very largely in making the work not only effective but delightful.

The term of office of the Rev. George S. Webster, D.D., Secretary, and the Rev. Charles G. Ellis, Ph.D., Vice-chairman, expires with this meeting of Synod. The other officers remain as on the title page of this report.

Your Committee notes with gratification a continued growing interest in the Home Mission work of the State, and especially in our great cities. There is no other State, with one possible exception, where the problems of the Church and the City are more acute. It is almost entirely in the field of the City and Immigrant Work that the expenditures of the Home Mission Agencies of the Synod are growing. An analysis of our budget shows that the Indian Work and the Work for Foreign People require just about the same amount of expenditure that we are making for the Town and Country Work, but when one is reminded that the great city organizations such as in New York, Brooklyn-Nassau, Buffalo, and elsewhere, are spending large sums for city work, it will appear that the Synod as a whole is attempting in a really dignified fashion to meet the growing needs of our city fields.

It is gratifying also to your Committee to report that however great the interest may be in the work of our Synod or Presbyteries, we do not discover any lessening of the interest in the work of National Home Missions. The last year has been an exceedingly difficult one from a financial point of view, and yet this Synod continued to increase its contributions for Home Mission work, having contributed about \$21,000 more in 1922 than it did the year before, an increase of approximately ten per cent, this without any reduction in the amount of its gifts to other Boards and Agencies.

SYNODICAL AND PRESBYTERIAL EXECUTIVES

Attention was called in the report of last year to the growing demand on the part of Presbyteries for field men who serve as executive secretaries, superintendents, etc. All of these men are doing practically the same type of work, whatever their title. These men should not be classed as executives who sit in offices and administer work. Almost all of them are to be found on the field every week. They are there not only on Sundays, but on weekdays as well, and it is because of their very close contact with the congregations that they are able to give so good an account of themselves from year to year. There have been no additions to the force during the year. While some of these men have no responsibility to the Synodical Home Missions Committee, and especially to the Superintendent, yet there is a very close co-operation between the Superintendent and all of the field men, so that it is possible for them to operate as a unit.

Field men have served in the duties that have been assigned them by their respective Presbyteries, and are paid very largely from Home Mission funds, but each year, and especially during the past year, they have given large service in connection with the New Era Work, all of which was, however, with the consent or by the instruction of the Synod's Committee or the Presbyteries to which the men are responsible.

The Synod and the Presbyteries are at the present time employing the following field men:

The Synod—

U. L. Mackey, Synodical Superintendent.

A. J. Dean, Associate Superintendent.

A. H. Allen, Secretary of Work for Foreign People.

A. W. Maddox, Secretary of Adirondack Work. Also serving in an executive capacity, particularly in the Presbyteries of St. Lawrence and Champlain.

E. O. McFarland.

The Presbytery of:

Albany, C. B. F. Pease,

Binghamton and Otsego, A. M. Forrester.

Brooklyn-Nassau, J. D. Burrell.

Buffalo, G. A. Papperman and W. C. McGarvey.

New York, K. D. Miller.

North River and Hudson, G. H. Bonsall.

Rochester, J. L. Jewell.

Syracuse, J. G. Truair.

Westchester, B. H. Everitt.

Repeated reports to your Committee from the Presbyteries in which they are at work are to the effect that there is a great opportunity offered to such men, and that for the most part our field secretaries measure up to their responsibilities.

With the reorganization of the Boards there will no doubt be laid upon the field men of the Synod new responsibilities, especially in connection with the National Board. Some of the Presbyteries not now served by executives will require them, and your Committee would request that the smaller Presbyteries, before engaging executives, confer with the Synodical Home Missions Committee, and discover whether it is not possible to unite two or more Presbyteries under one field man as is now done so successfully in two instances.

CONFERENCE OF SELF-SUPPORTING AGENCIES

The reorganization of the Boards of the Church, and especially the creation of the Board of National Missions, will so vitally affect our Synodical Home Missions that it is quite probable that the Synod will desire completely to reorganize its Committee on Synodical Home Missions. It is, however, your committee's judgment that any such reorganization should wait upon the completion of the report of Dr. Stone's Committee and the setting up of the National Board, after which time your Committee feels that the entire Synod should swing into line and administer its work in strict harmony with the plans and policies agreed upon by the Assembly for the Board of National Missions.

The Conference of the Self-supporting Agencies appointed a committee to confer with the Board of Home Missions and present a plan whereby the work of the National Board and that of the Self-supporting Agencies could be carried on jointly with the largest measure of unity in the work, in harmony with the intent of the action of the General Assembly at Des Moines on this matter. This committee met and agreed upon certain principles. In conference with the Executive Council of the Board of Home Missions a plan was agreed upon and presented to the Annual Conference of Self-supporting Home Mission Agencies, which met in Columbus, Ohio, September 26-28. The Conference adopted the paper quoted below which will be presented to the Assembly's Committee on Reorganization. It is greatly to be desired that a uniform or nearly uniform organization be developed throughout the entire Church. Therefore, in presenting the following plan to the Synod, your committee would like to have it understood that its representatives have been in conference in the approval of the plan. We may not have agreed with every point, but we are more than ready to waive the points of disagreement in the interest of uniformity of program, and budget and administration. There follows the plan agreed upon by the Board and the Self-supporting Synods, for submission to the Assembly's Committee of which Dr. Stone is the Chairman. It is not at all likely that Dr. Stone's Committee will accept it just as it is, but it is desirable that we be prepared to fall in line with the plan that the Assembly adopts. Your Committee will therefore ask that

the Synod authorize it so to adjust its organization as to carry on its work in harmony with the rules adopted by the General Assembly, waiting for the more complete and permanent organization which must take place in the near future.

MEMORANDUM ON RELATIONSHIP OF THE NEW BOARD OF NATIONAL MISSIONS TO THE SYNODS AND PRESBYTERIES

AS ADOPTED BY THE CONFERENCE OF HOME MISSION AGENCIES FOR
RECOMMENDATION TO GENERAL ASSEMBLY'S COMMITTEE
ON REORGANIZATION AND CONSOLIDATION OF
BOARDS AND AGENCIES

The action of the General Assembly on this matter is as follows: (quotation from Minutes of General Assembly, 1922, page 153):

"The Committee recommends that the Self-supporting Synods and Presbyteries be urged by the General Assembly to identify their work and organizations as closely as possible with the Board of National Missions, in order that full national policies and programs may be worked out, enabling the Presbyterian Church to function as a unit in the evangelization of the homeland, as well as it now functions in the evangelization of foreign lands; and that the carrying out of this recommendation be committed to such a body as may be empowered by the General Assembly to carry into effect the reorganization of the Boards and Agencies."

The basic assumption is that all Presbyteries and Synods will identify their work and organizations as closely as possible with the Board of National Missions in such a uniform way that the Board will be an inclusive agency with one thoroughly integrated national program, common budgets of need and of appropriation, a common accounting system and a common staff. In order to secure this end, the following suggestions are offered:

1. There shall be an inclusive Synodical organization in each Synod to which each Presbytery shall be related. Its duties and responsibilities will include

(a) The development of a common program of mission work for the Synod.

(b) The preparation of a budget of needs on the basis of a study of its entire field.

(c) The distribution among Presbyteries and fields of the budget annually appropriated for the work within the Synod.

(d) The administration, in co-operation with the Board of National Missions, of all work within the bounds of the Synod which comes within the scope of the Board of National Missions, except such projects as are specifically exempted by mutual agreement.

(e) Co-operation with the Board of National Missions in the promotion of the whole cause of National Missions within the bounds of the Synod.

2. (a) In each Synod there shall be a Synodical Executive selected jointly by the Board of National Missions and the Synodical organization and confirmed by the Synod. He shall thereupon be recognized by the Board of National Missions as a member of its staff and as its representative in relation to all its work within the bounds of the Synod. This Executive will work under the immediate direction of the Synodical organization, but will be subject to such principles of co-operation as a thoroughly integrated and united field force and the needs of the national task may suggest.

(b) Where the Synodical organization and the Presbyterian organization agree that a Presbyterian Executive is needed, he shall be chosen jointly by them and confirmed by the Presbytery.

(c) The National Staff shall determine what constitutes a standard Presbyterian organization on the basis of which a Presbytery shall be accorded special recognition in the administering of National Missions within its borders, and shall designate what Presbyteries have such an organization. Each Presbytery so designated shall maintain a co-operative relation with the Synodical organization and the National Board. Its Executive shall be jointly selected by the National Board, the Synodical organization and the Presbyterian organization, and shall be confirmed by the Presbytery. He shall thereupon become a member of the National Staff and the representative of the Board of National Missions in relation to all its work within the bounds of that Presbytery.

3. There shall be a National Staff, consisting of the Executive Council of the Board of National Missions, the Synodical executives and the Executives of the specially designated Presbyteries. The functions of this Staff shall be:

(a) The preparation of the annual budgets of askings and of appropriations in accordance with the procedure outlined in the attached memorandum on budget procedure.

(b) Making provision, through regional conferences or otherwise, for relating the experience of the Synods and Presbyteries to the work of the entire Church, it being designed that the National Board shall be thoroughly representative of every section and every phase of the Church's work.

(c) Providing necessary specialized services for the use of Synods and Presbyteries.

4. There shall be established such a common accounting system as will unify the financial policies of the various units, conserve credit resources and effectively safeguard the distribution of the common funds. Where local (that is, Synodical or Presbyterian) collecting or disbursing offices are established, they shall operate in co-operation

with and uniformly with the corresponding offices in the National Board.

5. There shall be a national budget covering all the work in all Synods and Presbyteries which comes within the scope of the National Board as well as all work specifically committed to or directly carried on by that Board. This national budget shall take account of all the resources of all Synods and Presbyteries for such work and all other sources of income available for the National Board. The distribution of this budget shall be such as will meet the full needs of all Synods and Presbyteries and departments of work so far as the available resources permit. It shall therefore be formulated primarily from the point of view of relative needs as these appear to the National Staff rather than of relative resources.

6. Special campaigns for objects outside of the normal budget may be initiated by the National Board or any Synod or Presbytery on mutual agreement. Receipts from such campaigns shall be available only for the special purpose designated, and are not subject to the division indicated above.

BUDGET PROCEDURE

1. The Department of Budget and Research will act for the Board of National Missions and for the Synods and Presbyteries in annually assembling their estimates of need and in making such study of their requirements as will furnish the information necessary for the preparation of the budget.

2. There shall be a Standing Budget Committee which shall include three members of the Executive Council, one of whom shall be the Director of the Budget, two Synodical representatives and one Presbyterian representative; the two undesignated members of the Executive Council, the two Synodical representatives and the Presbyterian representative to be appointed annually by the National Staff on the occasion of its annual budget conference.

3. This Budget Committee shall receive from the Finance Committee of the Board a recommendation of the total amount of money available within which appropriations may be recommended. This total shall be subject to the approval of the Board at its annual meeting.

4. Within the total as recommended by the Finance Committee, the Budget Committee shall prepare a detailed distribution of the budget for the forthcoming fiscal year to departments of work, to Synods and to specially designated Presbyteries.

5. The report of this committee shall then be laid before the annual budget conference of the National Staff constituted as provided for in the section on Synodical relationships.

The Synods and specially designated Presbyteries may have such additional representatives at this meeting as they may desire and provide for.

6. The recommendation of the National Staff and of the Finance Committee shall be laid before the Board at its annual meeting for final action. On this occasion the representative of any department, Synod or specially designated Presbytery, who desires to take exception to the recommendations of the National Staff, shall have full opportunity to state his case to the Board. Following such consideration as may be necessary, the Board shall adopt and distribute the annual budget.

7. Each department and the organization of each Synod and specially designated Presbytery shall thereupon prepare such a distribution of the amount assigned to it as in its judgment meets the requirements of its situation. Grants for individual items of expenditure may then be made by the Executive Committee of the Board upon the recommendation of the Executive Council.

FINANCIAL STATEMENT

The statement of our finances in reference to the grants for the year ending March 31, is presented in the table below.

It should be noted that by the action of the Synod, our financial year was changed so as to close with March 31st. In making the report below we have therefore given three quarters of the grant in each department and shown the actual expenditures for the nine months closing March 31st. The balances also are on a nine months' basis.

	Budget	Expenditures	Balance
Grants issued by Presbyteries.....	\$56,430	\$49,838	\$6,592
Grants issued by Synod for salaries and expenses:			
Synodical Superintendent	6,750	6,081	669
Foreign Work	1,875	1,225	650
Adirondack Work	4,875	6,629	* 654
Church Extension	6,775	5,662	213
Administration	2,250	2,067	183
Publicity	300	182	118
Emergency	7,500	169	7,331
Total	\$85,755	\$70,653	\$15,102

* Deficiency in the Budget of Adirondack Work of \$654; provided for by action duly recorded by the Executive Committee in mid-year.

The following table presents the contributions of the Presbyteries of the Synod to the Treasury of the Board of Home Missions as compared with the year in which we began our present plan of work. The increases are quite notable, and for such generosity we are very grateful. The increases are not as general as they were a year ago nor is the aggregate as large, yet there is a growing generosity on the part of the Synod.

Presbyteries	1915	1920	1921	1922	Differences	
					Last Yr.	Last 7 Yrs.
Albany	\$2,299	\$4,520	\$8,707	\$9,546	\$ 839	\$7,247
Binghamton	3,040	6,844	5,894	8,112	2,218	5,072
Brooklyn-Nassau	15,353	15,987	19,783	18,301	—1,482	2,948
Buffalo	5,835	9,869	8,131	6,961	—1,170	1,126
Cayuga	3,491	5,424	7,947	6,276	—1,671	2,885
Champlain	989	3,418	3,046	2,474	— 571	1,485
Chemung	1,356	2,065	2,233	3,029	796	1,673
Columbia	780	1,205	1,737	1,757	20	977

Presbyteries	1915	1920	1921	1922	Differences	
					Last Yr.	7 Yrs.
Genesee	\$1,102	\$2,185	\$2,490	\$2,412	\$-78	\$1,310
Geneva	2,332	5,050	4,864	6,236	1,372	3,904
Hudson	2,276	5,760	6,157	7,180	1,023	4,904
Long Island	1,600	2,422	2,820	3,757	937	2,157
Lyons	1,268	2,527	2,290	2,168	-122	900
New York	40,434	76,908	93,440	102,560	9,120	62,126
Niagara	873	3,187	3,598	3,439	-159	2,566
North River	2,193	3,557	4,165	4,975	810	2,782
Otsego	903	2,614	2,501	3,208	707	2,305
Porto Rico	0	67	139	135	-4	135
Rochester	5,233	13,321	19,939	21,101	1,162	15,868
St. Lawrence	3,288	3,939	6,710	6,097	-613	2,809
Steuben	1,588	2,959	3,791	4,511	720	2,923
Syracuse	3,200	6,872	9,072	12,110	3,038	8,910
Troy	2,458	8,167	11,125	6,940	-4,185	4,482
Utica	3,912	6,949	8,847	13,154	4,307	9,242
Westchester	4,918	11,786	13,627	17,163	3,536	12,245
Synod of New York	976	1,730	1,429	-301	1,429
	\$110,721	\$208,588	\$264,782	\$275,131	\$30,606	\$164,410

BUDGET FOR 1922

The appropriations authorized by the Permanent Committee to cover expenses for the year beginning April 1, 1922 are as follows:

Grants made by Presbyteries	\$ 75,241
Grants made by Synod for:	
Synodical Supt. and Associate Supt.	\$ 9,000
Foreign Department	2,500
Church Extension	7,700
Adirondack Work	6,500
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Administration	26,700
Publicity	3,000
Emergency	400
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Total	\$114,341
Analysis of the grants reveals that we are expending for the following purposes:	
Town and Country Work	\$37,476
Work for Foreign People	32,395
Indian Work	4,370
Field Men (5) (salaries and expenses)	20,200
Lumber Camp Work (4 men and expenses)	6,500
Administration and Publicity	3,400
Emergency	10,000
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Total	\$114,341

AUBURN SUMMER SCHOOL

As instructed by the Synod, your Committee authorized the payment of scholarships, in the amount of \$25 each, to men selected by their Presbyteries from their Home Mission fields for the Auburn Summer School of Theology which met from July 10th to 29th, 1922. These scholarships were accepted by twenty men and the amount expended was \$200. It is the judgment of your Committee that a larger number of men should be induced to attend this Summer School both from among our aid receiving ministers and others, and it is to be hoped that not only men from our rural churches, but also those from the cities will see the advantages that the Auburn School offers by way of instruction and recreation and general good fellowship. Your Committee will ask the Synod to authorize scholarships for this year on the same basis that was followed last year.

DEPARTMENTS OF WORK

Your Synodical Committee continues to direct the various departments of work which you have authorized.

Work for Foreign People under the general direction of Mr. Allen is constantly enlarging. Mr. Allen has prepared and distributed throughout the Synod a leaflet entitled "Work for Foreign People in the State of New York." Reference to it reveals the fact that the Presbyterian Church is well along with the other great denominations in attempting to meet its responsibility. Of the 112 centers of work for foreign people that Mr. Allen was able to discover among the more prominent denominations, 33 are conducted by Presbyterian agencies in 9 different languages. Progress in this work is of necessity slow. Perhaps we have been moving too rapidly, for the difficulties, especially in the way of personnel, are almost insurmountable. It is probable that almost anyone, aside from Mr. Allen, would have become so completely discouraged as to advise the giving up of all effort on behalf of foreign people, especially with foreign-speaking ministers. No such intimation has come from him. His love for his brethren of whatever name or race, and especially his love for Christ who died for the weaker brothers, has kept him always optimistic, however great may be the difficulties to surmount.

The Church should fully understand that leaders in the field of work for foreign people do not consider that it is in any sense an easy undertaking or one that will show prompt and permanent results. It should be understood that there is a complete building up of ethical standards, as well as religious faith, to be undertaken; and ministers who are able to do this very difficult work are not to be found in large numbers. It should be said also that the failures do not always rest upon the shoulders of the foreign minister, but should be credited in part, and sometimes in a very large part, to the congregation that has invited him to do his service, and accepted the responsibility for his direction.

Lumber Camp Work is still under the direction of Mr. Maddox. The force has been reduced by the resignation of Mr. Logan, and Mr. Maddox is giving a considerable part of his time to public addresses and field work in the Presbytery of St. Lawrence. It should be understood, however, that your Committee does not consider it is removing Mr. Maddox from his work in the lumber woods by appointing him to his work in the Presbytery of St. Lawrence. The number of men in the camps has been fewer during the past year and this together with other considerations lead the Committee to lend Mr. Maddox to the Presbytery of St. Lawrence.

Church Extension Work is being done by our field men, attention to whom has been called earlier in this report. They are men of high character and are doing effective work.

The Indian Work in the Presbytery of Buffalo is supported largely

by the funds of the Synod. We have had a meeting during the past year under the auspices of the Home Missions Council with the hope of unifying the work in some of the reservations. Presbyterians are responsible for practically all the work in the Allegheny Reservation. In Cattaraugus there are altogether too many denominations at work, while in Tuscarora, Tonawanda Reservation, it would appear that the Presbyterians should withdraw in the interest of the other denominations. In other reservations we are doing no work except in that of the Shinnecocks in Long Island, where the Presbyterians have a church for the Indians who own that very valuable strip of land.

Your Committee is inclined to feel and your Superintendent has recommended to the Presbytery of Buffalo that a more ambitious plan for their religious education should be undertaken in the Allegheny Reservation, where we have so much at stake, and where we have been so long at work. We have so recommended to the Presbytery of Buffalo. The difficulty, however, is in the matter of funds, and it is your Committee's hope that sufficient money may be available coming from some source whereby a satisfactory educational program may be developed on these two reservations, where our church is the leading, or at any rate one of the leading agencies for bettering the conditions of the Indians.

Your committee takes pleasure in presenting to the Synod a message from the Board of Home Missions.

A YEAR IN HOME MISSIONS

During 1921-1922 there was a slight decrease in the number of Home Mission enterprises supported by the Board of Home Missions and the various self-supporting agencies, but a small increase in the total number of Home Missionaries employed. There were during the year 4,270 different Home Mission enterprises with a total personnel of 2,908. Practically one-fifth of all the Home Mission workers were women serving as nurses, teachers and community workers.

In reviewing the work of the past year we have deep satisfaction in a record of substantial achievement. It has not been an easy year. Everywhere there has been a profound industrial unrest, much unemployment, an unusual amount of shifting of the less securely attached elements of our population, wide-spread poverty and not a little genuine distress. Such conditions are especially acute on Home Mission fields. The Home Missionary stands in the hard places of our national life. More than other ministers he deals with poverty, instability and hardship. It is just such things that make a community a Home Mission responsibility. But in spite of such untoward conditions, few years in the entire history of the Board have shown such results for the Kingdom.

The evangelistic gain for the year exceeds the high record of a year ago. Home Mission churches have this year added 12 per cent of their previous membership on confession of faith. Their gross gain for the year was 18 per cent and their net gain 10.4 per cent. All of these percentages exceed those of last year and are far above the corresponding percentages of the entire denomination. And the striking thing about it is that the best records have been made where conditions are the hardest. In Porto Rico the gain by confession of faith was over 25 per cent. Among our Mexican churches of the Southwest, in spite of an almost complete paralysis of the industries in which their people were employed, the gain was nearly 20 per cent. In Montana, after a prolonged period of drought and crop failure, the aid-receiving churches made a better record than any Synod in the Church. In Cuba, the inauguration of a systematic evangelistic policy more than doubled the rate of increase over the preceding years. These are facts from which the Church may take heart. They seem to the Board to amply justify its faith and courage in daring to maintain its work, put its missionaries on the basis of a fair living salary, and go forward in spite of debts and deficits. Debts can be retrieved, but the opportunity of these destiny-laden days, once lost, can never be recovered.

Financially, the year has not fulfilled expectations and for obvious reasons. Nevertheless, for the eighth successive year, there has been an increase in the receipts of the Board from living sources. These just passed the million mark during this year for the first time in our history, marking a more than three-fold increase since the upward swing began, eight years ago. The debt of the Board is distressingly heavy, being now nearly \$500,000, but it is not thinkable that the Board should have refused to take this risk in meeting the obligations which these last few years have laid upon it, especially in giving the missionary an adequate salary.

The General Assembly in Des Moines, recognizing the increasing burden of carrying so heavy a debt and encouraged by generous offers from friends of the Board, instructed the Board to proceed at once to raise from individuals enough money to cancel its whole obligation, in order that it might go into the Board of National Missions free from debt.

The Promotion Department of the Board is proceeding energetically to carry out this mandate of the Assembly, and is everywhere meeting an encouraging and cordial response from the Church.

A year ago your Committee voted to appropriate \$2,000 for the sending of a missionary to Czechoslovakia. Certain budget restrictions made it impossible for us to make this grant. Your superintendent and Mr. Allen, however, raised among their friends the sum of \$1,500 with which to support a missionary for a period of one year. The Rev. J. W. Dobias was sent.

From Rev. Kenneth D. Miller, who has spent the last year at work in Czechoslovakia, we have the following :

September 30, 1922.

The Synodical Committee on Home Missions has been most vitally interested in the amazing religious situation which has been going on in Czechoslovakia. Although this is not a distinctly home mission problem, nevertheless the connection between the religious movement in the lands from which our immigrants come and our work among foreigners here is very close and far reaching. A number of individuals, friends of the Synodical Committee, have made it possible during this last year for Rev. J. W. Dobias to go to Czechoslovakia with his family and to be supported there for a year. Mr. Dobias has been most cordially received there and has a very extensive field of service. He is located in Southern Bohemia, in the districts around the Domazlice, where the religious movement has been most pronounced. He ministers to about fifteen different villages where new congregations of Protestants have been formed within the last two years. In one town he has a parish of 2,500. Inasmuch as all of these people, with very few exceptions, have just recently come from the Church of Rome, they need very careful shepherding in the initial period of their new religious life. No one is better qualified to be the pastor of a group of new converts than Mr. Dobias. Everywhere he is respected and loved. The coming of Mr. Dobias, and others who have been sent to Europe, has been a great encouragement to the Protestant Church there, and they are most grateful to their American friends for their help. It is hoped that some support for Mr. Dobias may be assured for several years or more, the amount being reduced each year until finally the local churches are able to take it over entirely.

NEW ERA MOVEMENT

The Synod of New York is continuing to manifest the impetus, the stimulation provided by the New Era Movement, which seems to have largely increased during the year because of the whole-hearted co-operation of the Home Mission forces of the Synod which were placed very effectively at the disposal of the New Era Movement Committee during the Campaign.

The membership of the Synod grew from 225,301 to 240,997. The Sunday school membership from 146,510 to 165,345. Both these encouraging increases indicate the spirit of progress which is sup-

ported by the financial returns for the year. The Synod reports a total giving to all purposes of \$8,026,899, which is an increase over last year of \$118,000. The increase of contributions for congregational purposes was over \$300,000 partly due to increased building development and local projects.

The quota for the Synod was \$2,609,653. The Sessions reported raising under Board and Agency headings \$2,045,094, or nearly 97% of the sum allocated the Synod. The official treasurers, however, of the Boards and other official agencies reported the actual receipt applicable to the quota of \$1,331,167 or only 63% of the quota.

Of the Presbyteries seven reported 100% or more raised, but only one, the Presbytery of Champlain, with a percentage of 112 was so reported by official agencies. The Presbytery of Utica was second with nearly 93%.

The per capita for the Synod as reported by the Sessions was \$8.48; as reported by official agencies \$5.52. The differences between the amounts reported raised in Part III of the Minutes, Statistical Volume, and the amounts actually paid to official agencies Part IV of the Minutes, even when supplemented by the report of the Central Receiving Agency, show a tremendous variation.

The interest throughout the Synod in the forward work of the church in the denomination is, however, very much improved, and distinctly better results may be expected.

All of which report is respectfully submitted for the Committee.

GEORGE P. CONARD, Chairman.

RESOLUTIONS

(1) Resolved that the Report of the Committee on Synodical Home Missions be received and placed on file.

(2) Resolved that Rev. C. G. Ellis, Ph.D., be elected Vice-Chairman of the Permanent Committee, Synodical Home Missions, for a term of two years to succeed Rev. C. G. Ellis, Ph.D., whose term of office expires with this meeting of Synod.

(3) Resolved that Rev. George S. Webster, D.D., be elected Secretary of the Permanent Committee, Synodical Home Missions, for a period of two years to succeed Rev. George S. Webster, D.D., whose term of office expires with this meeting of Synod.

(4) Resolved that George N. Patrick be elected to membership on the Permanent Committee for a period of three years to succeed Mr. E. K. Harroun, resigned.

(5) Resolved that George P. Conard be elected to membership on the Permanent Committee for a period of three years to succeed George P. Conard whose term of membership expires with this meeting of Synod.

(6) Resolved that the form of merger presented to the Synod by the Permanent Committee, Synodical Home Missions, whereby it is proposed that the self-administering and self-sustaining units of Presbyterian work (such as the several self-supporting Synods and Presbyteries) are to be integrated with the other work assigned to the National Board of Missions, be and hereby is approved in principle, and

Be it further resolved that should this principle be adopted by the General Assembly of the Presbyterian Church in the U. S. A. in May, 1923, or at a later date, that the action of this body as voiced in the foregoing resolution shall become effective at the date selected by the General Assembly for the inauguration of the operations of said Board, and

It is further resolved that the Synod's Permanent Committee on Synodical Home Missions be and hereby is directed to co-operate with the Board of National Missions in the carrying out, so far as possible, of the will of the Synod in this regard.

This action is taken with the distinct understanding that funds held by the Boards concerned in the merger, the Synod or the Presbyteries, will not in any way be alienated from the control of the Agency holding them, or diverted from the purposes for which they were designed.

(7) Resolved that the budget for the year April 1, 1922 to March 31, 1923 be approved as follows:

Grants made by Presbyteries	\$ 75,341	
Grants made by Synod for:		
Synodical Supt. and Associate Supt.	\$ 9,000	
Foreign Department	2,500	
Church Extension	7,700	
Adirondack Work	6,500	
		25,700
Administration		3,000
Publicity		400
Emergency		10,000
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Total		\$114,341

(8) Resolved that the Synod approve the effort made by the Executive Officers of the Home Missions Committee to secure the salary for a year of the Rev. J. W. Dobias in Czecho-Slovakia, and suggest that a similar effort be made to retain him for another year, it being understood that his salary is not to be charged upon the Benevolence Budgets of the churches.

(9) Resolved that the action of the Synodical Home Missions Committee in assigning its field force to service in co-operation with the New Era Movement and the Boards of the Church in developing the Every Member Canvass, during the past year, be approved. And be it

Further resolved that in the judgment of the Synod similar co-operation should be furnished in the Stewardship Campaign of the current year.

(10) Resolved that the Presbyteries which are contemplating the employment of Field Men or Executives should consider the feasibility of two or more adjacent Presbyteries co-operating in the service of one man, and that they be advised to consult with the Synod's Home Mission Committee before engaging men for service.

(11) Resolved that the Synod express to the American Bible Society its appreciation of their gift of foreign Gospels for Adirondack Work and be it further

Resolved that we express to the Bible Institute Colportage Society of Chicago for their gift of the Pocket Treasury, also for the Adirondack work, similar appreciation.

(12) Resolved, as the General Assembly has directed the Board of Home Missions to clear off its indebtedness in order that it may go into the New Board of National Missions free of debt, that we, the Synod's Home Mission Committee, heartily concur in this effort, and ask the Synod to endorse this campaign.

During the consideration of the report on Synodical Home Missions the Rev. Warren S. Stone, D.D., of the Presbytery of Rochester, addressed Synod on the religious work being carried on among the patients of the Craig Colony at Sonyea. After the action on the report the following resolutions were adopted:

Whereas it has been determined to erect a house of worship for the use of the Protestant patients of Craig Colony at Sonyea, New York, be it resolved:

(1) That the Synod of New York approves the plan providing for the erection of a suitable church at Sonyea, New York, to cost not less than \$50,000.

(2) That Synod recommends the project to the Board of Church Erection for an appropriation toward the share of the Presbyterian Church in the expense involved.

(3) That a committee of five be appointed to represent the Synod before the Board of Church Erection and to cooperate with the denominations participating.

The Moderator subsequently appointed the committee provided for in these resolutions, as follows: Rev. Warren S. Stone, D.D., Rev. Paul R. Hickok, D.D., Rev. Murray S. Howland, D. D., and elders George P. Conard and Walter J. Beecher.

On motion it was voted to appoint a committee to present the matter of the debt of the Board of Home Missions at a business session of Synod. As this committee the Moderator appointed the Rev. Charles G. Ellis, Ph.D., the Rev. John Lyon Caughey, D. D., and the Rev. James F. Riggs.

A conference on Christian Life and Work was held. The Rev. Paul R. Hickok, D.D., of the Presbytery of Troy, addressed Synod regarding the forms for reports of churches on Christian Life and Work sent out by the Stated Clerk of the General Assembly.

At 4 P. M. Synod's service of public worship was held. A sermon was preached by the retiring Moderator, the Rev. Luther A. Ostrander, D.D., on "The Light that Saves," the text being Matthew 5:14.

The necrological report for the year ending September 30, 1922, was read by the Rev. J. Wilford Jacks, D.D., former Stated Clerk of Synod, as follows:

Name	Presbytery	Place of Death	Date of Death	Age
James J. Cameron	Albany	Ballston Spa.	Oct. 27, 1921	76
R. Randall Hoes	Westchester	Washington, D. C.	Oct. 26, 1921	72
David S. Dodge, D.D.	New York	New York City	Dec. 17, 1921	85
Walter B. Jorris	Rochester	Rochester	Feb. 8, 1922	45
William J. Cumming	Westchester	Germantown, Pa.	Feb. 20, 1922	72
J. H. Robinson, D.D.	Otsego	Delhi	April 2, 1922	86
John P. Dawson	Brooklyn-Nassau	Brooklyn	April 4, 1922	
James O. Boswell	Brooklyn-Nassau	Brooklyn	April 5, 1922	
Henry P. Bake, D.D.	Columbia	Columbia Co.	April 18, 1922	90
John C. Ball, D.D.	Lyons	Corning	April 14, 1922	56
David M. Hunter	Hudson	Newburgh	April 23, 1922	
Jesse F. Forbes, D.D.	New York	New York City	July 8, 1922	74
William A. Beecher	Cayuga	Sennett	July 18, 1922	70
W.S.C. Webster, D.D.	Long Island	Wayne, N. J.	June 18, 1922	78
Ira S. Dodd	New York	Wakefield, R. I.	Aug. 3, 1922	80
M. R. Vincent, D. D.	New York	Forest Hills	Aug. 18, 1922	86
George O. Phelps	Utica	Utica	Sept. 16, 1922	89

Total number reported	17
Age of oldest minister	nearly 90
Age of youngest minister	45
Average age	75½

After the reading of the report prayer was offered by the Rev. Samuel V. V. Holmes, D.D., and the hymn "For all the saints who from their labors rest" was sung.

The Holy Communion was celebrated, the Rev. Samuel V. V. Holmes, D.D., and the Rev. W. Hamilton Benham officiating, and the elders of Westminster Church serving.

After the benediction recess was taken until 8 P. M.

Tuesday, October 17, 1922, 8 P. M.

A public meeting in the interest of the ministry was held. An address was given by the Rev. Professor Hugh Black, D.D., of Union Theological Seminary, on "The Claims and Opportunities of the Christian Ministry."

Wednesday, October 18, 1922, 9 A. M.

Synod held a devotional service, led by the Rev. Arthur B. McCormick; D.D.

At 9:30 A. M. a conference on the Ministry began, the Rev. President George B. Stewart, D. D., of Auburn Theological Seminary, presiding.

The Permanent Committee on Education presented its report by its chairman, the Rev. Theodore M. Carlisle. Pending action on the report,

Synod was addressed by the Rev. William H. Crothers, D.D., Associate Secretary of the General Board of Education, the Rev. President Herbert W. Reherd, D.D., of Westminster College, Salt Lake City, and the Rev. Hugh Moran, of the Presbytery of Cayuga, Student Pastor at Cornell University. The report was accepted and the accompanying recommendations adopted, as follows, the report being somewhat abbreviated:

The Presbyterian denomination is to be congratulated on its splendid Board of Education. It is well officered and its program is broad and winning. Its scope too has been broadened by the union of the two former boards, College and Education. Its very watchwords sound this key-note: "Maintenance," "Counsel," "Development."

In its maintenance feature, the Board of Education becomes not a charity but a challenging force. It challenges our Christian colleges to go forth and raise funds for their own maintenance backed up the promise of our Boards that for every dollar it thus pledges, the Board will add three. Thus, institutions that are to share in the challenge fund of 1921 and '22 report the sum of \$3,124,235 raised in cash and pledges.

In its counsel feature, the Board has acted with courtesy and statesmanship. Take just one instance and that in West Virginia, where conferences were held between representatives of the Presbyterian church North and South and of the Board of Education, and as a consequence a joint endeavor to raise funds is now being conducted.

In its development feature the Board created a special committee to review the standards of our various institutions with the intent of unifying and broadening the same according to the standards suggested by the Presbyterian College Union and those of the American Council on Education.

Another branch of our Board's work worthy of review is that of bringing our youth in high schools, colleges and universities in touch with possible lines of Christian service. This is done thru Vocational conferences, Summer Conferences and College visitations.

Our Boards have for many, many years loaned money to all students who were desirous to enter the ministry and all such loans automatically become extinct after five years of service rendered. About twelve years ago, another feature was added in this respect, and that was aiding students who wished to turn their lives into the channel of medical missions. Whereas more recently, another new feature has been added, and your committee of Synod would call attention thereto—the Rotary Fund. This fund is open to students who aim to devote their lives to Christian service, other than the two named, but who need help to complete their work. This feature is growing in attractiveness with our youth, as they become more and more acquainted with it.

A third feature of our Board's work worthy of review is its work in State Universities thru college pastors. All State Universities are forbidden by charter restrictions to teach the tenets of the Christian Religion. They may teach about it but cannot teach it. However, the universities, in forty instances, are willing that the church should enter and fulfill this important function. For testimonies I would refer you to the General Board's report printed in our Assembly minutes, and they will establish in the mind of all, beyond doubt, what excellent service is being rendered in this direction of Christian Education.

A near view is offered to members of this Synod of New York, however, thru such work being done in our State University of Cornell situated at Ithaca, N. Y. We invite a personal visit from any and every member of this Synod in order that all doubt may be removed and greater cooperation enlisted.

Our University pastor is Mr. Hugh Moran so ably efficient that he has made our work at Cornell stand out most prominently. This is not to intimate that denominationalism is our key-note, save amongst our own Presbyterian youth, and as they gather in our church house. Instead, there is a Union of five denominations, which, in council form, frame the program and arrange the outworking of details. This Union has the cooperation of the newly inaugurated President, Dr. Livingston Farrand, a Presbyterian, and of the faculty who are in hearty sympathy with it. Amongst these a Presbyterian Advisory committee of fourteen was appointed last year and their aid in simply writing letters to the parents of all Presbyterian Freshmen was immediately felt on the whole work.

To come to some details, one might mention the real progress made towards the development of a school of Religious Education. "The Church Bible Classes have been increased to 21 in the five participating denominations, a faculty normal class has been conducted, and 20 classes have been conducted in fraternity houses, dormitories, and our own homes with a total membership of between 600 and 700", says the report of Mr. Moran.

Again there were 250 foreign students in the University last year representing over thirty different countries. Amongst these our representative does a tremendous work by personal visits and entertaining them in groups in our Church house. Take just the following instance: One day a Japanese student whom Mr. Moran had known in California, and who had become a Christian while in this country, came to see him. He was intending to enter Cornell and finish his course in engineering. He had had difficulty in gaining admission and the following explanation was offered by him in extenuation. "In classroom work or laboratory I get, maybe 90; then before examination I always see dream. Angel in white say 'Sumioko, you cast away that engineering work into the fire. Then next day, I go to examination and get maybe, 15.' Mr. Moran said to him; "It looks to me as tho you had a call to the Christian Ministry." He replied: "I think so too, but I do not desire." "However, we talked it over," reports Mr. Moran, "and after a fight of several days, he made up his mind to enter the ministry; he is now in McCormick Seminary and headed for the ministry in Japan." One might speak of the work done by our representative in the infirmary, in organizing "after breakfast classes" where such topics as the "The meaning of the Atonement" were discussed and a class of 20 maintained an average attendance of 18; and of entertainments in the church house in the case of individuals and groups with a regular night for the same as the part of the week's program known as "The Saturday Nights" which were very popular.

In view of all this the following quotation from Bishop Williams to President Farrand is highly important: "May I express to you my impression of the religious work done at Cornell? It seemed to me the best ordered and most efficiently carried out that I have found in any University. The college pastors have divided the work among them after a most excellent plan as it seemed to me, and seemed to have such entire confidence in each other that they work together most harmoniously and effectively. Mr. Edwards as chairman of the Board seems to be one of the best men I have seen in such work anywhere."

In closing, two items need to be impressed. The one is that this work is part of the work of our General Board of Education. They work in hearty accord and cooperation with your Synod's committee in this and all other particulars, and they are back of us in its promotion.

The other item is that aside from our contributions as churches to the General Board, it is necessary to add something more in order that we may carry our share of expense for this University work. Will you not thru your

Presbyteries and so thru the churches see to it that a contribution is made to this vital branch of Christian Education? Will you not also foster in your churches Vocation Day which affords the opportunity of bringing the ministry especially, and other branches of Christian Service, to the attention of parents and their children?

Your committee recommends:

1. That you endeavor to give to the General Board of Education its allowed quota of 15 per cent.

2. That in view of the vital importance of the Cornell work the churches of Synod be asked to add 3 per cent to the regular 15 per cent. going to the Board of Education, which amount shall be designated as a special contribution to the Cornell student work, and as such will be directed to that work by the Board.

3. In view of the fact that Westminster College in Utah is in a peculiar sense a missionary institution of significant importance, incapable of continued existence if dependent upon local support, and as such should be on the heart of the entire Presbyterian Church, that Synod endorse the campaign for funds for Westminster College to be conducted this year with the cooperation of the General Board of Education.

4. That the usual appropriation of \$100 be made for the use of the Permanent Committee on Education during the ensuing year.

Conference on Recruiting Candidates for the Ministry was opened by the Rev. Charles McKenzie, D.D., of the Presbytery of Albany, and discussion followed.

Conference on Theological Seminaries was opened by the Rev. Frank M. Weston, D.D., of the Presbytery of Rochester.

The conference on the Ministry was closed with prayer offered by President Stewart.

At 11 A. M. the Moderator took the chair and offered prayer.

The Permanent Committee on Ministerial Relief presented its report by its chairman, the Rev. Louis O. Rotenbach. Pending action on the report, conference on the subject took place, led by the Rev. Henry B. Master, D.D., General Secretary of the Board of Ministerial Relief and Sustentation. The report was accepted and the accompanying recommendations adopted. The report, somewhat condensed, and the recommendations were as follows:

It is quite generally known that the Board's share of the Benevolent Budget for 1921-22 was not what it should have been. Although this was rectified later on, the damage had already been done, because that first and inadequate percentage had been sent broadcast through the printed cards of the New Era Every Member Canvass. This was one reason why the receipts from living sources were \$58,000 less than in the previous year. The other reason is the general business depression from which all the Boards suffered in measurable degree. The actual cash receipts last year were \$467,979.92; this year they were \$409,755.67.

The presbyteries in 1920-21 drew out \$480,176.15, and contributed \$459,811.25, making a shortage of \$20,364.90. In 1921-22 they drew out \$542,704.37, and contributed \$394,314.29, making a shortage of \$148,390.08. This was partly made up for by large gifts from individuals, not reported to

the presbyteries as gifts from churches. Thus the shortage was cut down to \$58,000.

But, brethren, it ought not to be so. The churches should be aroused as to the need and to the insistent duty, not to say privilege, of contributing generously toward the work of this Board.

In spite of all this, you will be pleased to hear that more money than ever before was distributed in pensions during 1921-22. The Relief Fund pensioners received a total of \$586,939.87. This means an actual increase of \$54,255.23 over last year, almost ten per cent. In the last two and one-half years these Relief payments have actually increased 44.8%! The annuities in the Sustentation Department amounted to \$58,098.87. On the other hand, we regret to see that the Board, for lack of funds, had to omit the small Christmas gift which it had been able for a number of years to send to every pensioner.

Another forward step was taken when the Endowment Fund received \$325,262.97 in five-year pledges. This came from more than six hundred churches who opened their pulpits in response to General Assembly's request, "not to so interpret the budget system as to make it impossible for the Board to ask for and to receive subscriptions to the Endowment Fund of \$10,000,000."

Still another achievement of the year was the four-reel moving picture, "Soldiers of the Cross," which the ministers of the Metropolitan District had the privilege of seeing last winter. It has, in fact, been generally approved as a means of furthering the interests of the Board of Relief. Other denominations have requested a share in its use, recognizing its value for stimulating interest. You can secure it for your church by the small payment of \$5.00 and the expressage one way. There are only six copies of the film and the demand for it is great.

Still another noteworthy factor is the agreement about to be entered into by our denomination with other denominations of the Evangelical and Reformed churches for reciprocal arrangements whereby service in one branch of the church may be reckoned as service in another, so that the pension may be pro-rated between the two denominations on the basis of the number of years of service rendered in each by the minister. When this goes through, and it likely will at next year's Assembly, as an agreement between the several denominations, a most distinctive step in advance will have been taken.

There are 1874 annuitants upon the roll, 744 of these are ministers, 1,000 are widows, 61 orphan families, and 69 commissioned lay missionaries. In the year 1912 there was a total of 1251. Every year has witnessed an increase in the number up to the present total. The average annuity has been, for Honor Roll ministers, \$509.84; for ministers generally, \$281.98; for widows, \$227.27, and for the rest in proportion. Not too much, nor in deed enough, it would seem to us, in any case; but the very best the Board could do.

For our Synod, your committee reports as follows:

In 1921, we contributed \$72,596.98 and drew out \$34,926.62, leaving a substantial balance of \$37,560.36. That was our banner year. Last year, 1922, for which we are reporting, we contributed \$61,319.29, less, you will note, by \$11,277.69 than the year before; and we drew out \$40,117.41, which is more by \$5,190.79 than the previous year leaving a good balance of \$21,201.88, which is less, however, by \$16,468.48 than in 1921. This would be discouraging for the great Synod of New York were it not for the financial reasons enumerated in the earlier part of this report. Still it does call for greater effort during the current year, so that in some measure we may retrieve our loss.

The women of our Synod in their box work and their financial gifts have done excellently. They sent a total of 37 boxes, 11 packages, as well as some cash, amounting in all to almost \$10,000. It is to the great credit of our women that they are prosecuting this admirable work of supplementing what the Board does for our pensioners, in such an efficient and generous manner.

Upon the whole, your committee feels that the outlook for the Board's work is most encouraging. Problems there are and they must be faced squarely. But what makes anything more interesting and more challenging than just its problems? Brethren, let us gird up our loins and get at it, elders as well as ministers, for this after all is an elder's, a business man's job, and an opportunity for rendering heroic service. The Brooklyn-Nassau Presbytery's Committee is almost entirely composed of business men, and whatever that committee has been able to accomplish has been mainly due to that fact.

The committee would suggest the following recommendations:

1. The endorsement by Synod of the Assembly in renewing the action of 1912, requesting the Board to raise for endowment the sum of \$10,000,000, and the approval of the plan to prosecute this work vigorously.

2. That Synod likewise approves and indorses the Assembly's request that the various churches so interpret the Budget system and the Every Member Canvass, as to make it possible for the representatives of the Board to present the cause and secure subscriptions for endowment.

3. That the elders and ministers of Synod, upon returning to their respective Presbyteries, make an earnest effort to enlist the active interest of the eldership in the work of the Board, and wherever feasible secure a committee on Ministerial Relief and Sustentation in Presbytery, composed largely, if not entirely, of the elders or business men.

4. That Synod commend the Board and its associates for their splendidly efficient and loyal service to the church in the care of her disabled and most worthy servants of the Cross.

5. That Synod respectfully overture the General Assembly of 1923

(1) To authorize the Board of Ministerial Relief and Sustentation to increase the maximum allowance to the Honor Roll ministers to \$1,000 per year at the earliest possible moment; and in order to make this possible,

(2) To elect immediately a committee of laymen which shall have in charge the raising of twenty million dollars of endowment within the next three years, working in connection with the Board of Ministerial Relief and Sustentation.

The following resolution, offered by the Stated Clerk, was adopted: That the Executive Commission be directed to take over and deliver to the Stated Clerk all records, papers and other property which ought to be in his possession, and to take any other action that may be necessary to effect the transfer of the office.

The Stated Clerk gave notice that the name of the Woman's Committee on Home Missions had been changed to The New York Woman's Synodical Committee. He also presented the report of the New York Woman's Synodical Missionary Society. This was approved, and ordered to be printed in the appendix to the Minutes.

The minutes of the proceedings of October 17 were read and on motion approved.

Synod took recess until 2 P. M.

While Synod was at luncheon the New Era Committee presented its report by its chairman, the Rev. John Lyon Caughey, D.D. Pending action on it the Rev. Samuel W. McKelvey, D.D., of the Presbytery of Philadelphia, spoke on "The Meaning of Stewardship." The report was accepted, and was as follows, somewhat abbreviated:

The fourth year of the New Era Movement terminated with the meeting of the General Assembly at Des Moines. . . . Since the Movement is to cover a five-year period, we have entered upon the last year of the Enterprise unless other action is taken by the next Assembly. . . . We deem it necessary to call Synod's attention to certain items.

BUDGET

Our entire constituency is committed to the Budget System of supplying funds for the benevolent Agencies of the Church. Each year an annual budget will be prepared and submitted for approval to the proper authorities, after which the same will be allocated to synods and presbyteries and finally definite quotas assigned to each church. Again we reiterate that such quotas do not represent an assessment but an absolutely fair responsibility which should be gladly assumed by every church. Since this method has received unanimous approval, it behooves us to counsel the pastors and sessions of the churches of Synod to put forth the necessary effort to secure sufficient pledges to meet the budget. This will entail a thorough-going campaign of education in every parish as to the work of our Boards and the vital relation of the quota to these Agencies. It is sincerely hoped that next March at the time of the Every Member Canvass the church not meeting its quota may be the exception within the bounds of Synod. It is also essential that the treasurers of the benevolent funds of the churches be instructed to remit at least quarterly, and preferably monthly for the larger churches, to the Central Receiving Agency in New York. Otherwise, our Boards will have to continue to pay out thousands of dollars each year for interest upon borrowed money to defray the regular running expenses of their normal work. Every delegate to Synod should lend his efforts in our attempt to develop better business methods for the denomination.

GOALS

A really worthwhile contribution made by the Movement is the preparing of a Schedule of Activities for our Church, building into this many important features which otherwise might receive scant attention but which are, nevertheless, of permanent worth to every parish. It is hoped that the pastors will faithfully present to their congregations the causes of our great Boards as suggested in the calendar program. More and more it is discovered that ministers are carefully preparing their programs for two or three years in advance, outlining definite goals and objectives to be realized in all of the organizations each year. The Goal Chart, endorsed by the Assembly, should be more generally used.

DEPARTMENTS

The two departments, which have been built into the program from the inception of the Movement and which are meeting with hearty approval, are Stewardship and Missionary Education. A director for each of these departments has been appointed by every presbytery. According to reports that have been received of the meetings of presbyteries in Synod, a carefully worked-out program was submitted by these directors and is now being followed in an effort to promote the principles of Christian Stewardship and the School of Missions in almost every parish.

Special attention is being given as instructed by the Assembly, to the Stewardship program this fall, coming to a climax with an enrollment in the Fellowship of Stewardship on Sunday, December 3, 1922. The delegates of Synod are asked to give consideration to the whole program of Stewardship, including life service as well as money. An earnest effort should be made sometime during the year to present to the young people of high school age the opportunities for Christian service as a life work. It may be of interest to report that a series of church conferences, majoring on Stewardship, are being conducted during the fall and winter in the following presbyteries:

Albany, Cayuga, Geneva, Lyons and Utica. In this work the Boards, both of the Assembly and women, are cooperating magnificently. It has been quite generally suggested that a goal of enrollment be set in each parish, equal to at least 10 per cent. of the membership. A variety of excellent literature and of usable methods for conducting a program of Stewardship have been prepared by the Department and these should be liberally used by the churches.

Synod's Committee heartily endorses the objective of the Missionary Education Department to form a School of Missions in every church. The increase in Mission Study classes in the Synod since the beginning of the Movement has been quite phenomenal and in many instances to it can be credited the normal increase in benevolent funds. Excellent study books have been prepared and embrace such interesting mission fields as India and the American negro. Should it not be feasible in some churches to have a School of Missions, it is sincerely hoped that these text-books may be used for a series of addresses by the pastor at the midweek service. Particular emphasis should be laid on Missionary Education in the Sunday School. Valuable suggestions can be gotten by writing to the Missionary Education Department for the pamphlet entitled "It Worked With Us; You Try It"—an account of the development of Missionary Education in the Sunday School of the San Diego Presbyterian Church.

Since its inception the Movement has urged certain spiritual activities. This year we are again entreated to make prominent through all of the work the evangelistic emphasis, coming to a natural climax with a great ingathering of souls on Easter Sunday. Closely related to this is the development of Family Religion. An effort should be made this year to have the Bible read daily in our church homes. Pastors are also asked to conduct a class of instruction for all young people desiring to unite with the Church. Suitable suggestions for such classes can be secured through our Board of Publication.

Wherever the pastor has made a careful study of the group organization recommended by the Movement and has adapted this to his own parish, very definite achievements have been registered. We believe that such a simple organization would make possible the enlistment of more people in the work of the church and the attaining of the objectives set for the year.

Wednesday, October 18, 1922, 2 P. M.

After prayer, Synod proceeded to general business.

The Committee on Nomination of Permanent Committees reported by its chairman, the Rev. Duncan J. McMillan, D.D., presenting nominations for these committees for the ensuing year. The nominations were adopted.*

The Committee on Nomination of Trustees of Synod reported by its chairman, the Rev. Paul R. Hickok, D.D., presenting these nominations:

To be Trustee of the Synod of New York, in place of the Rev. Francis S. Haines, with term of office expiring in 1924, the Rev. Charles G. Ellis, Ph.D.

To be Trustees of the Synod of New York, with terms of office expiring in 1925, the Rev. Robert Watson, D.D., the Rev. Joseph Hillman Hollister, William J. Gilchrist, William H. Seward.

*See the list of Permanent Committees, Appendix, pp. 79-80.

These nominees were elected by ballot for the terms of office mentioned in connection with their names.

The Committee to collate the reports on presbyterial records reported by its chairman, the Rev. James L. Jewell, D.D. The report was approved and its recommendation adopted, as follows:

1. Your committee recommends that the records of the following presbyteries be signed as approved: Albany, Binghamton, Brooklyn-Nassau, Cayuga, Chemung, Columbia, Geneva, Long Island, New York, North River, Otsego, Rochester, St. Lawrence, Troy, Utica, Westchester.

2. There is no record that the minutes of the following presbyteries were presented:

Champlain, Chile, Eastern Persia, Genesee, Niagara, North Siam, Porto Rico, South Siam.

3. There are omissions in the minutes of Buffalo Presbytery to which the attention of the clerk is called.

4. There is no record of the minutes of Steuben Presbytery having been presented for approval of Synod since 1917.

5. The delegates of Hudson, Lyons and Syracuse presbyteries have explained why their minutes have not been presented at this meeting of Synod.

The Committee on the Debt of the Board of Home Missions reported by its chairman, the Rev. Charles G. Ellis, Ph.D., presenting the following resolution, which was adopted:

That Synod approve in general the so-called "California Plan" for dealing with the debt of the Board of Home Missions, covering three points, viz.,

1. A goal of one dollar for every three members of our churches as a minimum toward the liquidation of the debt.

2. Presbyterial field-days, enlisting all the churches of a presbytery, for inspiring cooperation to this end.

3. Group conferences of churches for the same purpose.

(The Permanent Committee on Church Erection had a place on the docket of Synod at this session. Its report was sent to the Stated Clerk before the meeting of Synod by its chairman, the Rev. Charles E. Craven, D.D., and was printed in the Blue Book; but it was not presented in the meeting of Synod. The report was as follows:

When we speak of the Board of Church Erection of the Presbyterian Church we use the word church in two complementary senses to each of which the word naturally lends itself, for each is the Lord's house. In this land of ours the church which is a spiritual temple built of living stones needs its house made with hands, and its minister's manse also, if it will do its part as the witness and upholder of the truth that makes men free. Indispensable therefore is the Board through which the whole church helps the particular church to build.

The Board of Church Erection presented its fifty-second annual report to the General Assembly last May—the fifty-second report since the Reunion, but this organized work dates back another twenty-five years. The report is in-

teresting, instructive, inspiring. The magnitude of this work, its splendid development, its commanding claim upon the Synods and Presbyteries are too well known to require description here.

Attention ought to be called to the fact that in its dealings with the Board the Synod of New York is a heavy debtor. In the past year the Synod has received from the Board much more than it has returned. Counting the Board's aid in our Presbytery of Porto Rico (\$35,000) the balance is hopelessly against us; eliminating Porto Rico, as mission territory for which the Church at large shares responsibility, the balance against us is still large. Though it be recognized that our calls for aid in recent years have been emergency calls, chiefly for building in strategic positions in the swiftly growing environs of our great cities, where large advances for the Board's funds will bring large returns, yet the gravity of this situation is serious. The following tabulation of our gifts and receipts (omitting Porto Rico) for the last two years shows how near we came to pulling our own weight two years ago and how far we fell short of it last year, and makes it evident that with earnest effort we could fully meet the charges of Church Erection in our own state and release thousands of dollars of the Board's income for the needs of our own Presbytery of Porto Rico and of other and weaker Synods.

Year ending March 31,	1921	1922
Contributed to Board	\$34,706.65	\$20,969.51
Paid on Mortgages	8,861.78	4,332.12
Total to Board	43,568.43	25,301.63
Total from Board	44,684.69	45,328.30
Deficit	\$1,116.26	\$20,026.67

Receiving approximately \$45,000 each of these years we fell short \$1,000 in 1921 and \$20,000 in 1922. In 1921 our contributions to this Board were about 15 cents per member and in 1922 about 10 cents. To pay its own way, and then some, would not be an extravagant aim for the Synod of New York.

We note with deep regret the great loss suffered by the Board and the Church in the recent death of the Rev. Dr. Jesse C. Bruce, the Board's efficient Field Secretary.

Your Committee offers the following recommendations:

1. That Presbyteries that have not already done so be urged to send to the Board of Church Erection, on the blanks provided for that purpose, their survey of building needs for the next year.
2. That aided churches meet promptly their payments of principal and interest on loans already made and be careful to maintain insurance.
3. That the Budget Committee of the Assembly's Executive Commission be urged to give an adequate place to the building needs of the Church in the budget of 1923-24.
4. That pastors, using the helpful printed literature that the Board will gladly furnish, bring the building needs of the Church before their congregations and endeavor so fully to inform and interest their people that their willing offerings may more than balance the Synod's drafts upon the Board of Church Erection).

The Permanent Committee on Missions to Freedmen presented its report by its chairman, the Rev. James A. Pratt. The report was approved and the recommendation contained in it adopted. The report, somewhat abbreviated, and the recommendation were as follows:

During the last year the General Assembly's Committee reported:—

"The amount given to Church work by the people on the field, including

church buildings, repairs, contingent expense and ministerial support as reported to us by our ministers in their annual reports to the Board, was \$211,447.15.

The amount given on the field to our school work by patrons and friends as reported to us by our principals and teachers was \$156,974.59.

In addition to these amounts the churches which report to us, gave \$14,087.50 to benevolences.

Adding the amounts raised for Church and School purposes to the amount given by these churches for the benevolent agencies of the Church, we have a sum total passing through the hands of our ministers, leaders and teachers, directly and indirectly, for their own good in their own communities and for the good of others in their own land and in other lands, amounting to \$382,509.24.

Considering the comparatively small amount of this world's goods in the hands of these people and their lack of opportunities in the business world, coupled with their lack of development, their generosity is worthy of our highest commendation and imitation.

During the year we have received into our Churches on confession of faith 2,415 members and by certificate 214 members. Our ministers report the services well attended and the people interested in the work of their church."

About three years ago, the Board organized a Sunday School Department with Miss Maud A. Kinniburgh as Secretary. A plan was adopted for selling shares at \$25.00 each to Sunday Schools in the different church schools, of which there are 147. We are gratified to note the interest taken by the Sunday Schools in this plan. Already we have issued 175 shares and we hope to enlist in the interest of every Sunday School of our Denomination in this plan.

Whereas, there are twelve millions of Negroes in this great republic who are frequently the direct objects of prejudice, mob violence, lynchings and other forms of maltreatment and injustice, we especially note and commend the movement growing out of the Inter-Racial conference held in Memphis, Tennessee, October 6-7, 1920, and that our Church shall cooperate with this movement by asserting and applying Christianity as the solution of the race relations in America; by promoting mutual confidence and acquaintance between white and Negro churches, by arraying the sentiment of our Churches against mob violence; by securing and distributing accurate knowledge of the actual facts regarding racial relations and racial attitudes in general; by helping to develop a public conscience which will secure safety and liberty for the Negro in securing education, health, housing, recreation and all other necessities of Christian community life; by the cordial reception in our churches of qualified speakers (both white and colored) on the problems of the Negro people; and by showing the same Christ-like spirit toward these 12,000,000 Negroes within our borders, that we have endeavored to show toward the Africans of the foreign mission field.

The Woman's Department of Missions for Freedmen is certainly to be commended with gratitude for their share of the work, and especially in their interest in the education and civilization of the Negro.

We recommend that the Sabbath nearest Lincoln's Birthday be reserved in all of our Sabbath Schools for presenting the cause of the Negro people of the United States and that offerings shall be taken upon that day for the work of the Freedmen's Board, especially where the printed programs provided by the Board are used in observance of Freedmen's Sunday.

In view of the fact that there are over 12,000,000 Negroes in the United States—that among them there are only 675 Presbyterian workers and a constituency of 26,811 Negro communicants, and that to cope with the enormous problem of education, evangelization of these people, there are only 147 day schools of our denomination, we especially urge the local churches to see that the just percentage of benevolence voted by the Assembly for the work of

the Freedmen's Board be faithfully observed and where possible, local churches shall be urged to support their work among colored people within the territory of influence of the local churches by specific programs that will safe-guard against violence and save souls with true Missionary zeal.

The Synod of New York gave to the Board of Freedmen last year \$48,064.

GIFTS BY PRESBYTERIES

1. Albany	\$1360
2. Binghamton	1516
3. Brooklyn-Nassau	3926
4. Buffalo	4806
5. Cayuga	1457
6. Champlain	1165
7. Chemung	323
8. Chile	
9. Columbia	672
10. Eastern Persia	
11. Genesee	678
12. Geneva	1496
13. Hudson	1182
14. Long Island	905
15. Lyons	481
16. New York	7233
17. Niagara	1236
18. North River	725
19. North Siam	
20. Otsego	818
21. Porto Rico	2
22. Rochester	6016
23. St. Lawrence	822
24. South Siam	
25. Steuben	670
26. Syracuse	3484
27. Troy	1887
28. Utica	2397
29. Westchester	2807

The Committee on Finance reported by its chairman, Mr. A. E. Williams. The report was approved and its recommendations adopted, as follows:

I. The Committee of Finance reports that they have examined the report of the Treasurer as presented to the Synod, together with the books, vouchers and bank-book, and find the same to be correct.

II. The Committee recommends:

1. That the sum of \$350 be paid to Westminster Church of Buffalo towards the expenses involved in the entertainment of the Synod, including the janitor service and incidental thereto, and that the sum of \$10 be paid to the janitor of the Lafayette Avenue Church of Buffalo.

2. That the sum of \$50 be appropriated for the use of the Committee on the New York State Council of Churches.

3. That the sum of \$12 be paid to the Rev. Putnam C. Cady to refund him for his travelling expenses in connection with attendance on a meeting of a committee of the State Council of Churches, as per bill of September 20, 1922.

4. That the Treasurer be authorized to pay the bills of the clerks for stationery, postage and travelling expenses necessary for the business of Synod, and to pay the salaries of the clerks semi-annually.

5. That the assessment for the coming fiscal year be fixed at nine mills per communicant.

6. That the request of the Foreign Missions Committee for \$250 for its use be granted.

7. That the request of the New Era Committee for \$250 for its use be granted.

8. That the sum of \$6.34 be paid to the Rev. L. A. Ostrander, D.D., to refund him for travelling expenses in connection with attending, as Moderator of Synod, the meeting of the New York State Council of Churches at Utica, September 21, 1922.

The report of the Treasurer of Synod, approved in the action on the report of the Committee on Finance, was as follows:

To the Synod of New York:

In submitting the appended report of receipts and expenses of the Synod during the past year, the Treasurer would respectfully call attention to the need of careful appropriations by the Finance Committee.

The balance on hand in October, 1914, was \$2,385.00. Due to increased expenses and not providing for increased revenue, this balance was reduced to \$502.55 in October of 1921.

The increase in Presbytery assessments this present year has increased this to over \$1,000.00. We have been compelled to dispose of our Liberty Bond purchased during the war.

Respectfully,
 JOHN T. D. BLACKBURN,
 Treasurer.

RECEIPTS

Oct. 18, 1921, Balance on hand	502.55	
From Presbyteries, due 1921	164.18	
From Sale of Liberty Bond	941.39	
Advanced by Treasurer, April 27, 1922	75.00	
From Presbyteries, due Oct. 1922	1,627.79	3,310.91

DISBURSEMENTS

Expenses of Moderator, 1921	102.38	
Expenses of Moderator, 1922	27.92	130.30
Printing Blue Book		68.90
Minutes and Postage		320.46
Committee on Synod Reorganization		53.19
Expenses, Chairmen Synod's Committees		39.19
New Era Committee		280.76
Committee on Religious Education		176.66
Committee on Education		22.05
Temporary Clerks		40.00
Salary Stated Clerk		400.00
Salary Permanent Clerk		150.00
Mount Vernon Church		350.00
Foreign Mission Committee		149.53
Repayment of advances, Treasurer		75.00
		<u>2,279.10</u>

Balance on hand, Oct. 13th, 1922 1,031.81

Due from Presbyteries, \$221.91

The Committee on the Minutes of the General Assembly reported by its chairman, the Rev. Prof. R. H. Nichols, D.D. The report was approved, as follows:

The Committee on the Minutes of General Assembly calls the attention of Synod to certain acts of the General Assembly of 1922.

Of the report of the Special Committee on Christian Life and Work of the General Assembly, which was approved by the Assembly, several portions are intended for the consideration of Synods.

Section IX of the report, entitled "Promoting Efficiency in Synod and Presbytery," advises reorganization of the programs of the meeting of Synods, to the end that there shall no longer be "long lists of disconnected items," but "adequate, comprehensive and interesting presentation" of a few subjects. Your committee is of the opinion that the present meeting shows that the Synod of New York is already moving successfully in the direction pointed out by the General Assembly.

Of the resolutions presented by the Special Committee on Christian Life and Work, which were adopted by the Assembly, two read as follows:

"That Synods and Presbyteries be urged to appoint committees on Ministerial Compensation (composed of laymen), whose duty it shall be to take up with congregations the question of increasing the salaries of their ministers in all cases where such salaries are manifestly insufficient to meet ministerial necessities."

"That the General Assembly again advises all our Synods and Presbyteries to make special inquiry, by the appointment of a competent committee, concerning methods and conditions now prevailing, with a view of promoting efficiency and securing larger spiritual results, and that a part of this inquiry include the question of what further administrative missionary and evangelistic helpers are needed by the Synods and Presbyteries to secure these ends."

One of the recommendations of the Permanent Committee on Evangelism, adopted by the General Assembly, is as follows:

"That the Assembly again calls upon Synods and Presbyteries to establish or strengthen their committees on evangelism and where these committees have failed by reason of inefficient leadership, or have been abandoned by Presbyteries for any cause, that they be re-created as standing committees on evangelism in order that the Permanent Committee on Evangelism may through them contribute the largest possible cooperative service in men and money for the carrying forward of the evangelistic work of the churches."

The Standing Committee on Education called attention to a resolution adopted in April, 1922, by the General Board of Education, and recommended that it be adopted as the sense of the Assembly, and sent down to Synods, Presbyteries and local churches, which recommendation was adopted. The resolution is as follows:

"In view of the incalculable importance of having our strongest and most prophetic ministers in churches located in College and University centers and in view also of the fact that a church in a large student center ministers to a constituency which is at least Synod wide, be it resolved:

That Synods and Presbyteries be urged to cooperate with the General Board of Education in devising ways and means whereby churches in these communities may be aided when necessary in securing the needed leadership of highly qualified ministers."

The following resolution, presented by the Committee on Resolutions, was adopted:

Resolved that we, the members of the Synod of New York of the Presbyterian Church in the United States of America, do hereby record and render our deepest appreciation of the hearty welcome, cordial friendliness and delightful hospitality of the pastors, officers and members, particularly Col. D. S. Alexander, and especially the women, who served luncheon, of Westminster Church, Buffalo, where our meetings have been held, and of Lafayette Church, where the Women's Synodical Society has been entertained, October 16-18, 1922.

The following resolution, offered by the Rev. Luther A. Ostrander, D.D. and the Rev. George S. Webster, D.D., was unanimously adopted by a rising vote:

Whereas the Rev. J. Wilford Jacks, D.D. has served the Synod of New York nineteen years as its Stated Clerk, and now because of age and enfeebled health, is relieved of the responsibility and labor of this office, be it

Resolved that we as a Synod appreciate highly his long and efficient and faithful service as Stated Clerk, and hereby extend to him our hearty thanks and our best wishes for his comfort and happiness throughout all coming years.

The Committee on the Place of Next Meeting reported by its chairman, the Rev. L. A. Ostrander, D.D., stating that it had received from the session of the First Church of Poughkeepsie a cordial invitation for the holding of the next meeting of Synod in this church, heartily indorsed by a congregational meeting on September 26, 1922, and recommending the acceptance by Synod of this invitation. The recommendation was adopted, with thanks to the First Church of Poughkeepsie.

It was voted that the Committee on the Reorganization of Synod have power to fill any vacancies occurring in its membership during the year, after consultation with the Moderator and Stated Clerk.

The Committee on the Reorganization of Synod announced that in the exercise of the power given it by Synod it had appointed the Rev. Murray Shipley Howland, D.D., a member in place of the Rev. J. M. MacInnis, Litt.D., who had removed from the bounds of Synod.

It was voted that a Committee on Publicity be appointed, with the Rev. J. Milton Thompson, D.D., as chairman, to secure the appearance of a proper report of the proceedings of Synod in the Buffalo newspapers of Thursday morning, October 19.

It was voted that the next regular meeting of Synod begin at 7:30 P. M. on the third Monday of October, 1923.

Notice was given by the Rev. George S. Webster, D.D., that at the next meeting of Synod it would be moved to amend the Standing Rules by changing the first sentence of Article I to read thus: "The annual meeting of Synod shall begin on the third Monday of October at half-past seven o'clock P. M."; and also by adding Article XX, reading thus: "These Standing Rules may be amended at any regular meeting of Synod by a two-thirds vote of the members present, provided the text of the proposed amendment shall have been sent to the Stated Clerks of all the home presbyteries of Synod before their autumn meetings of that year."

The following resolution was adopted: That three members be appointed to act with the Stated Clerk and the pastor and session of the First Church of Poughkeepsie as the committee of arrangements for the next meeting of Synod; and that expenses necessary for the meetings of this committee be paid by the Treasurer.

The moderator appointed as the three members provided for in this resolution the Rev. Paul R. Hickok, D.D., the Rev. E. Van Dyke Wight, D.D., and the Rev. James P. Gillespie.

The several Standing Committees were called to report, and having no business to present were on motion discharged.

The Rev. William H. Crothers, D.D., Associate Secretary of the General Board of Education, addressed Synod on the educational work of the church.

At 4 P. M. a conference on Authority in the Home, the Church and the State began.

The Permanent Committee on Sabbath Observance presented its report. Pending action on it, Synod was addressed by the Rev. John Ferguson, Field Secretary of the Lord's Day Alliance. The report was accepted and the accompanying recommendations were adopted. The report, somewhat abbreviated, and the recommendations were:

There are a number of organizations actively at work to stem the tide of organized Sabbath desecration. Our own General Assembly's Committee on Sabbath Observance has been doing some excellent work along educational lines, through leaflets, letters and articles in the Presbyterian Magazine, our religious weeklies and through other data, and has cooperated effectively with the Lord's Day Alliance of the United States and its auxiliary, the Lord's Day Alliance of New York State in practical efforts throughout the year. The State organization has put on many institutes in various parts of the State covering many phases of Lord's Day and Sunday questions while careful guard has also been maintained respecting our State Sunday laws and effort put forth for constructive and beneficent Sunday and week day rest legislation.

Among the other organizations that are working in the interest of the Sabbath and its attending issues are, the New York Sabbath Committee, the Woman's National Sabbath Alliance, the New York Civic League, the New York State Sunday School Association and several local organizations connected with the churches of their respective communities and minister's associations.

Every year attempts are made by the enemies of the Christian Sabbath to modify and in cases not a few to repeal the existing Sunday laws. It is to the honor of our State and the Synod that these influences, save in a few instances, have proved unsuccessful. During the last session of the legislature at Albany, in spite of numerous attempts, no serious inroads were made. Encouragement exists that the Lord's Day will be protected and saved from falling into the hands of the Philistine, but it is well that we remind ourselves of the danger that lurks in the inactivity of members of churches who as christian citizens should take a lively part in the selection of assemblymen and senators who will give a proper account of themselves at Albany when this vital issue comes before the Legislature; and that if dangerous bills are introduced these same citizens should re-enforce assemblymen and senators by telegrams, letters, petitions, or personal interviews in a four-square stand upon this important issue.

Gratifying indeed is the decision of the Appellate Division of the Supreme Court, First Department, New York State, October, 1921, *Cereal Products Company, Plaintiff, vs. Delaware, Lackawanna and Western Railroad Company, Defendant*. In this decision the Court declares Sunday "a sanctified holiday." The decision is in part as follows:

"The Legislature of this State left the status of Sunday a sanctified holiday as it existed at common law (see Sec. 62, *Public Officers' Law: Ruling Case Law*, Vol. 25, p. 1413; *Bouvier's Law Dictionary*, 3rd Rev., Vol. 2, p. 1446; *Webster's International Dictionary*, p. 1025; Page v. *Shainwald*, 169 N. Y. 246; *Doddsbury v. Van Tassel*, 56 Hun, 423—6).

Sunday has, therefore, in this jurisdiction and in most jurisdictions always been deemed a legal holiday and all work thereon, with certain exceptions not here in point, has been prohibited (see *Rigney v. White*, 4 Daly, 400). The purpose in excluding legal holidays applies with greater force to Sunday than to other holidays, for ordinarily such work may be done on a statutory holiday, but may not be done on Sunday (see Sec. 2143 of the *Penal Law*; *Am. & Eng. Encyclopedia of Law*, vol. 15, p. 5724, vol. 27, p. 338; Page v. *Shainwald*, supra)."

RECOMMENDATIONS

Therefore your committee would recommend,

1. That pastors, Sabbath School teachers and parents, do all in their power to impress on the church members, Sunday School pupils and children in their homes the need of using every endeavor to carefully observe the Sabbath.
2. That all who love the Lord's Day should keep informed as to the efforts that may be made to weaken Sabbath Observance and do their best to prevent such attempts.
3. That our Churches should be more generous in helping financially in the maintenance of Sabbath Observance.
4. That we as a Synod most emphatically condemn the attacks that are being made by organized amusement, sporting interests, together with certain other business concerns seeking to commercialize the Christian Sabbath and to put the Lord's Day in the same class with the other days of the week; and we further condemn the attacks made upon our organizations which are defending the American Sunday and the preservation of the Christian Sabbath.

5. That the churches of our Synod be urged to contribute to the work of the Permanent Committee on Sabbath Observance of the General Assembly.

The Permanent Committee on Temperance and Moral Welfare presented its report, by its chairman, the Rev. Henry H. Barstow, D.D. The report was accepted, and was as follows, somewhat abbreviated:

Like many other lines of work that concern the purposes of the church the special task of the Synod's Committee on Temperance and Moral Welfare has been so largely taken over by interdenominational agencies, or secular agencies, that the field of denominational effort is greatly narrowed. The most that any denomination or denominational agency can do is to maintain educational work among its own children and young people through the Sunday School and young people's societies.

Furthermore the work of our denominational Board of Temperance and Moral Welfare covers most of the needs even of this activity. It publishes literature and provides the churches with abundant means of knowing and cooperating with the broad enterprises that this Board fosters. It is important that the churches of the Synod make the utmost use of the literature provided by the Board. It is a fact that there is a decadence in moral standards and practice among the people of the country. The church people themselves are far from blameless in their attitude and actions. Public and private evils are tolerated with an easy going indifference that too often becomes good humored participation. Personal violation of the laws of God and the state has become a thing to smile at and joke about. Children in the homes even of good church folk become accustomed to a light view of positive wrongs.

Widespread education in sex hygiene and kindred matters has done something to warn our youth of the dangers of vicious thinking and acting, but this is at best only a weapon that may or may not be utilized. There must be the setting of the child-soul toward righteousness, the conversion of the young will to Christ or the vastly intensified allurements of evil today will override the most carefully taught facts, indeed, may make them merely further means for salacious brooding and vicious living. This is the specific task of the church of Christ. Let us use our Board literature to the limit. Let us encourage right education in all matters that pertain to wholesome living wherever taught. Let us make the most of the facts, but we must not fail to urge the appeal for service to Christ and humanity that will give a Christian motive for self-restraint and self-devotion. Religion is the dynamic of morals. Neither is complete without the other.

The immediate issue that presses upon the church, however, in reference to the special work of this committee is the preserving intact of the eighteenth amendment for Prohibition, the Volstead Act applying it, and the Mullen-Gage Law conforming New York State law to Federal Statute. The liquor forces are concentrating every power at their disposal in an effort to break down these notable achievements of American moral and Christian sentiment. Their point of attack is the modification of the Volstead Act in the interest of restoring beer and light wines to legal standing. Their arguments, their statements of fact, their basis of appeal, and their methods are today as they have always been utterly false and vicious. They lie when they say they do not want to restore the saloon. They lie when they say they do not intend to restore whiskey and other spirituous liquors. They lie when they say that to admit beer and wines will relieve the situation and make prohibition more easy of enforcement. They do not want prohibition in any form. They do not want it enforced in any degree. They do not respect the law except as it favors their business. They never did and never will keep any law that crosses their interest. They have not changed in their heart, their purposes or their methods. They must be held at bay, kept out of power, and utterly

broken down or we shall have a return flood of booze that will exceed anything the country has ever known. The experience of hundreds of towns and communities that in old local option days tried the alleged beneficial effects of a return to license after voting no-license should not be forgotten. May God help the church today to lead the people away from trying a nation-wide experiment of that sort. It would probably mean an eventual return to complete prohibition, but meanwhile would mean a vast loss of time, waste of money and manhood, further debasement of public morale, and a most disastrous effect upon the interest of prohibition throughout the world. It must not be. Now is the time to stop it. The church won the fight to put out the saloon. It must now win the fight to keep it out.

The Presbyterian Church, both nationally and in New York State, has given official sanction and cooperation to the Anti-saloon League as the organ of the united churches best capable of handling the political end of this great contest. In its leadership, its methods, and its achievements the League has fully justified this confidence and support. The Synod's Committee commends the leadership of the State League and is glad to arrange a place on the program for its superintendent, Mr. William H. Anderson.

Synod was addressed by Mr. William H. Anderson, Superintendent of the Anti-Saloon League of New York.

The following resolution was adopted: That having listened with pleasure to the powerful address of Superintendent Anderson, the Synod of New York reaffirms most heartily its endorsement of the Anti-Saloon League and commends it to the support of our churches.

The Rev. Victor Tressler, D.D., presented to Synod the greetings of the Biennial Convention of the United Lutheran Church in America, then being held in Buffalo. The Rev. Charles McKenzie, D.D., replied in behalf of Synod.

The following resolution was adopted: The Synod of New York of the Presbyterian Church in the United States of America, in session in Buffalo, New York, on this the 17th day of October, 1922, respectfully and earnestly recommends the passage of the bill now before the Senate of the United States, introduced by Senator Jones of Washington, providing that the following proposed amendment to the Constitution of the United States be submitted to the several states, which, when ratified by the legislature of three-fourths of the states, shall be valid and binding as a part of the Constitution of the United States, to wit: "Congress shall have power to establish and enforce by appropriate legislation uniform laws as to marriage and divorce; provided that any state may by law exclude, as to its citizens duly domiciled therein, any or all causes for absolute divorce in such laws mentioned."

The Committee on Leave of Absence reported by its chairman, the Rev. Aaron W. Maddox, that the following members, for adequate reasons, had been excused for withdrawal before the close of the meeting of Synod:

Presbytery of Albany: *Minister*—Robert W. Anthony; *Elder*—George C. Van Dyck.

Presbytery of Brooklyn-Nassau: *Minister*—Robert R. Greenwood.

Presbytery of Cayuga: *Minister*—Malcolm L. MacPhail: *Elder*—J. D. Morse.

Presbytery of Columbia: *Elder*—Edward Morse.

Presbytery of Geneva: *Elder*—Abram L'Amoreaux.

Presbytery of Long Island: *Minister*—William Striker.

Presbytery of New York: *Minister*—Frederick W. Evans.

Presbytery of Rochester: *Elders*—H. W. Reed, Frank G. Stark, W. H. Stokes.

Presbytery of St. Lawrence: *Minister*—H. Victor Frelick.

Presbytery of Steuben: *Minister*—Harry L. Somers.

Presbytery of Troy: *Minister*—Thomas D. Carey; *Elders*—Z. V. D. Orton, William Hamilton.

Presbytery of Utica: *Minister*—Peter McKenzie.

Presbytery of Westchester: *Elder*—Thomas F. Hill.

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

Presbytery of Albany: *Elder*—William S. Swart.

Presbytery of Binghamton: *Elder*—Arthur L. Stuart.

Presbytery of Brooklyn-Nassau: *Ministers*—Uriah A. Guss, T. C. Roberts Horsfield, Andrew Magill, John Deans; *Elder*—William Law.

Presbytery of Buffalo: *Minister*—Charles H. Stewart; *Elders*—F. G. Anderson, J. G. Murdock, Benjamin Doelman.

Presbytery of Genesee: *Minister*—Charles A. Bourner.

Presbytery of Long Island: *Elder*—Ralph B. Dayton.

Presbytery of New York: *Elder*—J. W. Edgerly.

Presbytery of Syracuse: *Minister*—Theodore T. Hays.

The minutes of the proceedings of October 18 were read and on motion approved.

Synod adjourned with prayer and the apostolic benediction, to meet in the First Presbyterian Church of Poughkeepsie, New York, on Monday, October fifteenth, 1923, at half-past seven o'clock P. M.

At 8 P. M. on Wednesday, October 18, in accordance with the docket of Synod, a public meeting was held in Westminster Church, the Vice-Moderator presiding. An address was given by Robert E. Speer, LL.D., Secretary of the Board of Foreign Missions, on "Christianity in International Affairs."

DANIEL A. FERGUSON,
Permanent Clerk.

Attest:

ROBERT HASTINGS NICHOLS,
Stated Clerk

APPENDIX

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I. REPORTS OF THE PRESBYTERIES*

I. The Presbytery of Albany consists of 60 ministers and 47 churches.

Ministers received:

December 13, 1921, Rev. Edwin H. Kellogg, from the Presbytery of Connecticut Valley.
 February 7, 1922, Rev. Edwin Waite Miller, from the Classis of North Long Island of the Reformed Church in America.
 February 24, 1922, Rev. Robert W. Anthony, from the Presbytery of Brooklyn-Nassau.
 April 18, 1922, Rev. John M. McLeod, from the Fox River Congregational Association.
 April 18, 1922, Rev. Arthur C. Dill, from the Western New York Congregational Association.
 April 18, 1922, Rev. Riley M. Little, from the Presbytery of Pittsburgh.
 June 20, 1922, Rev. Reuben H. Claxon, from the Baptist Association of Illinois.
 June 20, 1922, Rev. James Hewitt, from the Presbytery of Troy.
 September 19, 1922, Rev. George H. Wilkins, from the Presbytery of Steuben.

Licentiate received:

December 13, 1921, Clinton R. Beach, from the Presbytery of Geneva.
 April 18, 1922, F. B. Gigliotti, from the Presbytery of Blairsville.

Pastoral relations dissolved:

October 12, 1921, between Rev. James J. Hoffman and the Kingsboro Avenue Church of Gloversville.
 June 1, 1922, between Rev. James A. Hills and Emanuel Church of Amsterdam.
 September 30, 1922, between Rev. Paul Stratton and the State Street Church of Schenectady.
 September 30, 1922, between Rev. T. W. Davies and the First Church of Watervliet.

Ordinations:

May 4, 1922, Clinton R. Beach.
 May 4, 1922, F. B. Gigliotti.

Installations:

November 4, 1921, Rev. J. Wallace Young over the Ballston Center Church.
 February 7, 1922, Rev. Edward Waite Miller over the Kingsboro Avenue Church of Gloversville.
 February 24, 1922, Rev. Robert W. Anthony over the First Church of Schenectady.
 July 5, 1922, Rev. Reuben Claxon over the Charlton Church.
 July 11, 1922, Rev. James Hewitt over the Carlisle Church.

Ministers dismissed:

October 12, 1921, Rev. James J. Hoffman to the Presbytery of St. Lawrence.
 April 18, 1922, Rev. George W. Walker to the Presbytery of Otsego.
 September 19, 1922, Rev. James A. Hills to the Presbytery of Marion.
 September 30, 1922, Rev. Paul Stratton to the Presbytery of Rochester.

*These reports are for the year from October 1, 1921 to September 30, 1922.

Names dropped from the Roll of Presbytery:

January 10, 1922, Rev. O. B. Neyroz.
 October 3, 1922, Rev. A. H. Lindsay.

II. The Presbytery of Binghamton consists of 37 ministers and 34 churches, and has under its care 1 licentiate and 3 candidates.

Ministers received:

April 17, 1922, Rev. Willard F. Randolph, from the Presbytery of Chemung.
 April 18, 1922, Rev. Reginald H. Bass, from the Genesee Conference of the Methodist Episcopal Church.

Candidate licensed:

April 17, 1922, Robert G. Mallery.

Minister dismissed:

November 11, 1921, Rev. Albert J. Wilson to the Presbytery of Zanesville.

Name dropped from the Roll of Presbytery:

April 18, 1922, Rev. Howard A. Van de Meyer.

III. The Presbytery of Brooklyn-Nassau consists of 135 ministers and 80 churches, and has under its care 2 licentiates and 5 candidates.

Ministers received:

November 28, 1921, Rev. Nelson B. Chester, from the Presbytery of Newark.
 November 28, 1921, Rev. J. H. Hobbs, from the Presbytery of Utica.
 November 28, 1921, Rev. J. J. Munro, from the Presbytery of Hudson of the United Presbyterian Church.
 November 28, 1921, Rev. Charles M. Rutherford, re-enrolled.
 November 28, 1921, Rev. Robert M. Blackshear, from the New York Conference of the Methodist Episcopal Church.
 February 20, 1922, Rev. Basil D. Hall, from the Presbytery of New York.
 April 24, 1922, Rev. E. Stanley Chedister, from the Presbytery of Newton.
 April 24, 1922, Rev. John A. Harrer, from the New York Association of Congregational Churches.
 April 24, 1922, Rev. Harry Rubenstein, from the Presbytery of Baltimore.
 June 6, 1922, Rev. Charles Nietzer, from the Presbytery of Hudson.

Candidates taken under the care of Presbytery:

November 28, 1921, Richard H. Ritter.
 November 28, 1921, George L. Willets.
 April 24, 1922, Harry E. Christiana.
 April 24, 1922, Henry C. Heller.
 April 24, 1922, C. John Trois.
 May 22, 1922, Edmund F. Miller.
 September 25, 1922, Edward H. Bishara.

Candidates licensed :

April 24, 1922, Richard H. Ritter.

May 22, 1922, Edmund F. Miller.

Licentiates received :

November 28, 1921, Thomas McIntyre from the Presbytery of New York.

February 20, 1922, Charles J. S. Jeans from the Presbytery of Glasgow.

April 24, 1922, Herbert E. Moyer from the United Evangelical Association.

Pastoral relations dissolved :

February 20, 1922, Rev. John R. Campbell and the Cuyler Church.

February 20, 1922, Rev. Alfred J. Penney and the Glenmore Avenue Church.

February 20, 1922, Rev. Herman E. Schnatz and the Bushwick Church.

Ordinations :

December 14, 1921, Thomas McIntyre.

March 3, 1922, Charles J. S. Jeans.

May 14, 1922, Orion C. Hopper.

May 14, 1922, Herbert E. Moyer.

May 17, 1922, Francesco S. Di Giacomo.

May 21, 1922, Francis T. Cooke.

June 6, 1922, Edmund F. Miller.

Installations :

October 16, 1921, Rev. James O. Buswell over Spencer Memorial Church, Brooklyn.

October 25, 1921, Rev. Curtin L. Oswald, over the Freeport Church.

March 3, 1922, Rev. Charles J. S. Jeans over the First Church of Richmond Hill.

May 2, 1922, Rev. E. Stanley Chedister over the Rosedale Church.

June 6, 1922, Rev. Edmund F. Miller over the Cuyler Church.

June 14, 1922, Rev. Charles Nietzer over the Bushwick Church.

June 8, 1922, Rev. John A. Harrer over the church at St. Albans.

Ministers dismissed :

November 28, 1921, Rev. Edwin A. Burt, to the Presbytery of New York.

December 14, 1921, Rev. J. Jeffrey Johnstone, to the Presbytery of Bristol, England.

December 14, 1921, Rev. Stefano L. Testa, to the Presbytery of Jersey City.

February 20, 1922, Rev. Robert W. Anthony, to the Presbytery of Albany.

February 20, 1922, Rev. John R. Campbell, to the Presbytery of Hudson.

February 20, 1922, Rev. Herman E. Schnatz, to the Western New York Classis of the Reformed Church in the United States.

Ministers deceased :

April 4, 1922, Rev. James O. Buswell, D.D., Brooklyn, aged 58 years.

April 5, 1922, Rev. John P. Dawson, Brooklyn, aged 74 years.

May 5, 1922, Rev. Oliver C. Morse, Melville, N. Y., aged 74 years.

IV. The Presbytery of Buffalo consists of 78 ministers and 56 churches, and has under its care 2 candidates.

Ministers received:

October 18, 1921, Rev. Frank C. Putnam, from the Presbytery of Chester.
 November 15, 1921, Rev. Samuel Marshall, from the Presbytery of Erie.
 November 15, 1921, Rev. J. L. Hughes, from the Presbytery of Yukon.
 December 5, 1921, Rev. Warren D. Hall, from the Presbytery of New York.
 December 5, 1921, Rev. George A. Buttrick, from the Rutland Association of Congregational Churches and Ministers.
 December 20, 1921, Rev. George McCulloch, from the Presbytery of Utica.
 March 21, 1922, Rev. Nevin D. Bartholomew, from the Presbytery of Geneva.
 April 17, 1922, Rev. John W. Cribbs, from the Presbytery of Clarion.
 April 17, 1922, Rev. Bliss B. Cartwright, from the Presbytery of Portsmouth.
 September 19, 1922, Rev. Oscar E. Beckes, from the Presbytery of Lackawanna.
 September 19, 1922, Rev. C. Lansing Seymour, from the Presbytery of Syracuse.
 September 25, 1922, Rev. William Sangree, from the Presbytery of Steuben.

Pastoral relations dissolved:

December 5, 1921, between Rev. Clifford H. Helm and the South Wales Church.
 September 25, 1922, between Rev. Michael Kozma and the Magyar Church, Lackawanna.

Installations:

October 5, 1921, Rev. Frank M. Pope over the Ellicottville Church.
 November 22, 1921, Rev. Samuel Marshall over the Alleghany Church.
 January 12, 1922, Rev. Warren D. Hall over the University Church of Buffalo.
 January 3, 1922, Rev. George McCulloch over the Olivet Church of Jamestown.
 February 27, 1922, Rev. George A. Buttrick over the First Church of Buffalo.
 April 26, 1922, Rev. John W. Cribbs over the Bethany Church of Buffalo.
 June 13, 1922, Rev. Bliss B. Cartwright over the Alden Church.
 June 29, 1922, Rev. Bliss B. Cartwright over the Crittenden Church.

Ministers dismissed:

October 18, 1921, Rev. John Sharpe to the Presbytery of Cleveland.
 December 5, 1921, Rev. R. P. Gibson to the Presbytery of Westchester.
 December 5, 1921, Rev. R. M. Baird to the Presbytery of Los Angeles.
 December 20, 1921, Rev. J. L. Hughes to the Presbytery of North River.
 September 19, 1922, Rev. Arthur O. Stockbridge to the Presbytery of New Castle.

Ministers placed on the Reserve Roll:

Rev. Adam G. Schodle.
 Rev. Walter H. Cutler.
 Rev. Albert W. Grigg.

V. The Presbytery of Cayuga consists of 46 ministers and 23 churches, and has under its care 1 licentiate and 1 candidate.

Minister received :

September 26, 1922, Rev. Charles K. Hoyt, from the Presbytery of Omaha.

Candidate licensed :

April 10, 1922, William Lee Huntsman.

Licentiate received :

September 26, 1922, William J. Ratz, from the Presbytery of Waukon.

Pastoral relations dissolved :

September 23, 1922, between Rev. Bert N. Weaver and the churches of Scipioville and Scipio No. 1.

Ordinations :

December 30, 1921, Zong Kao Zia.

April 11, 1922, Harold Julian Bortle.

April 11, 1922, John Boyce.

April 11, 1922, Arthur Tillotson Clark.

April 25, 1922, Carl J. Grabb.

Installation :

April 25, 1922, Rev. Carl J. Grabb, over the church at Cayuga.

Ministers dismissed :

November 15, 1921, Rev. Emmanuel J. Kallina, to the Presbytery of Geneva.

April 10, 1922, Rev. Thomas Tighe, to the Presbytery of Lyons.

April 10, 1922, Rev. Frank W. Bible, to the Presbytery of Morris and Orange.

June 26, 1922, Rev. John Boyce, to the Presbytery of Rochester.

September 23, 1922, Rev. Bert N. Weaver, to the Presbytery of St. Lawrence.

September 26, 1922, Rev. Harold J. Bortle, to the Presbytery of Lyons.

Licentiates transferred :

September 26, 1922, Daniel D. Jansen, to the Presbytery of Duluth.

September 26, 1922, Leonard McMaster, to the Presbytery of New Zealand.

Minister deceased :

July 18, 1922, Rev. William A. Beecher, at Sennett, N. Y., aged 70 years.

VI. The Presbytery of Champlain consists of 19 ministers and 22 churches.

Minister received :

September 19, 1922, Rev. Luther B. Plumer, from the Presbytery of Muskogee.

Pastoral relations dissolved :

January 4, 1922, between Rev. George H. Douglas and the church at Essex.

April 19, 1922, between Rev. Charles T. Baillie and the church at Plattsburg.

Ordination :

July 7, 1922, Cecil Plumb.

Installations :

July 7, 1922, Rev. Cecil Plumb over the church at Keeseville.
September 29, 1922, Rev. Luther B. Plumer, over the church at Burke.
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Ministers dismissed :

January 4, 1922, Rev. George H. Douglas, to the Presbytery of Dayton.
April 19, 1922, Rev. Charles T. Baillie, to the Presbytery of Bloomington.

VII. The Presbytery of Chemung consists of 19 ministers and 20 churches, and has under its care 1 licentiate and 2 candidates.

Minister received :

July 11, 1922, Rev. Josiah H. Crawford, from the Presbytery of Newcastle.

Candidate licensed :

April 18, 1922, Clifford John Young.

Pastoral relations dissolved :

December 30, 1921, between Rev. William H. Meyer and the church at Montour Falls.
January 27, 1922, between Rev. Robert C. Hallock and the church at Dundee.
January 27, 1922, between Rev. Willard F. Randolph and the Franklin Street Church of Elmira.

Installation :

July 11, 1922, Rev. Josiah H. Crawford, over the Franklin Street Church of Elmira.

Ministers dismissed :

December 30, 1921, Rev. William H. Meyer, to the Presbytery of Clarion.
January 27, 1922, Rev. Willard F. Randolph, to the Presbytery of Binghamton.
September 26, 1922, Rev. Robert C. Hallock, to the Presbytery of Rochester.

VIII. The Presbytery of Chile consists of 29 ministers and 19 churches, and has under its care 2 licentiates, 6 local evangelists and 10 candidates.

IX. The Presbytery of Columbia consists of 16 ministers and 17 churches, and has under its care 1 licentiate and 1 candidate.

Minister received :

April 18th, Rev. James K. McClure, from the Presbytery of Troy.

Candidate taken under the care of Presbytery :

April 19, 1922, Robert Vining.

Candidate licensed :

June 6, 1922, Joseph C. Sayers.

Pastoral relation dissolved :

June 6, 1922, between Rev. J. Raymond Waite and the First Church of Valatie.

Minister dismissed :

June 6, 1922, Rev. J. Raymond Waite, to the Presbytery of Philadelphia.

Minister deceased :

April 23, 1922, Rev. Henry P. Bake, D.D., at Albany, N. Y., aged 89 years.

X. The Presbytery of Eastern Persia consists of 8 ministers and 4 churches.

XI. The Presbytery of Genesee consists of 19 ministers and 17 churches, and has under its care 1 licentiate.

Ministers received :

February 7, 1922, Rev. Charles C. MacLean, from the Presbytery of Steuben.

June 16, 1922, Rev. Charles H. Dayton, from the Presbytery of Utica.

September 24, 1922, Rev. William W. Gushee, from the Presbytery of Niagara.

Pastoral relations dissolved :

January 16, 1922, between Rev. H. L. Somers and the church at Bergen.

June 12, 1922, between Rev. M. F. Hogenboom and the church at Oakfield.

June 12, 1922, between Rev. John Evans and the church at Castile.

Ordination :

October 12, 1921, Charles C. Barnes.

Installations :

October 12, 1921, Rev. Charles C. Barnes, over the church at Corfu.

February 7, 1922, Rev. Charles C. MacLean, over the church at Batavia.

June 16, 1922, Rev. Charles H. Dayton, over the church at Bergen.

Ministers dismissed :

January 16, 1922, Rev. H. L. Somers, to the Presbytery of Steuben.

September 1, 1922, Rev. John Evans, to the Presbytery of Utica.

XII. The Presbytery of Geneva consists of 27 ministers and 21 churches, and has under its care 1 licentiate and 1 candidate.

Ministers received :

October 25, 1921, Rev. S. Horace Beshgetour, from the Presbytery of Steuben.

November 21, 1921, Rev. Emmanuel J. Kallina, from the Presbytery of Cayuga.

Ministers dismissed :

October 25, 1921, Rev. Herbert E. Andrews, to the Presbytery of Alton.

October 25, 1921, Rev. William P. Schell, to the Presbytery of New York.

March 6, 1922, Rev. William W. Weller, to the Presbytery of Rochester.
 March 6, 1922, Rev. Nevin D. Bartholomew, to the Presbytery of Buffalo.
 March 6, 1922, Rev. Walter S. Gamertsfelder, to the Presbytery of Athens.
 April 18, 1922, Rev. Benjamin Heideman, to the Presbytery of Iowa.
 June 29, 1922, Rev. Esta E. Grosh, to the Presbytery of Steuben.
 September 19, 1922, Rev. Joseph A. Johnstone, to the Presbytery of Huron.

Installations:

November 11, 1921, Rev. S. Horace Beshgetour, over the church at Gorham.
 December 13, 1921, Rev. Emmanuel J. Kallina, over the church at Canandaigua.

Pastoral relations dissolved:

October 25, 1921, between Rev. Benjamin Heideman and the church at Romulus.
 June 24, 1922, between Rev. Esta E. Grosh and the church at Seneca Castle.
 September 18, 1922, between Rev. Joseph A. Johnstone and the church at Lodi.

Ordination:

March 6, 1922, Howard B. Withers.

Licentiate transferred:

November 21, 1921, Clinton R. Beach, to the Presbytery of Albany.

Candidate licensed:

March 6, 1922, William F. Barnes.

Candidate transferred:

September 19, 1922, Burgess E. D. Brown, to the Presbytery of Binghamton.

XIII. The Presbytery of Hudson consists of 51 ministers and 46 churches, and has under its care 2 candidates.

Ministers received:

January 10, 1922, Rev. Charles E. Mattison, from the Presbytery of Otsego.
 January 10, 1922, Rev. Harold W. Wylie, from the Presbytery of Lake Superior.
 April 18, 1922, Rev. John R. Campbell, from the Presbytery of Brooklyn-Nassau.
 April 18, 1922, Rev. Donald J. MacDonald, from the Presbytery of Austin.

Ministers dismissed:

April 18, 1922, Rev. Edward B. Shaw, to the Presbytery of Redstone.
 April 18, 1922, Rev. Francis S. Haines, to the Presbytery of Los Angeles.
 April 18, 1922, Rev. Charles Nietzer, to the Presbytery of Brooklyn-Nassau.
 June 20, 1922, Rev. E. R. Kruiuzenga, to Montgomery Classis of the Reformed Church in America.

September 19, 1922, Rev. Daniel G. Lawson, to the Presbytery of Lackawanna.

Minister restored to the roll of Presbytery:

January 10, 1922, Rev. L. William Hones.

Installations:

January 10, 1922, Rev. S. Leslie Reid, over the Central Church of Haverstraw.

January 10, 1922, Rev. M. C. Jacobs, over the church at Chester.

June 20, 1922, Rev. Harold W. Wylie, over the church at Circleville.

Pastoral relations dissolved:

February 10, 1922, between Rev. Edward B. Shaw and the church at Monroe.

April 18, 1922, between Rev. Francis S. Haines and the church at Goshen.

April 18, 1922, between Rev. Charles Nietzer and the church at Jeffersonville.

June 20, 1922, between Rev. E. R. Kruizenga and the church at Port Jervis.

September 19, 1922, between Rev. Daniel G. Lawson and the church at Milford.

September 19, 1922, between Rev. F. E. Williams and the church at Hopewell.

Licentiate ordained:

January 10, 1922, S. Leslie Reid.

Licentiate received:

January 10, 1922, S. Leslie Reid, from the New Haven West Congregational Association.

Candidate taken under care of Presbytery:

January 10, 1922, Mario Sardella.

XIV. The Presbytery of Long Island consists of 26 ministers and 23 churches and has under its care 2 candidates.

Minister received:

September 12, 1922, Rev. Eugene F. Gray, from the Presbytery of Alton.

Minister honorably retired:

April 18, 1922, Rev. Frederick J. Pohl.

Minister deceased:

June 4, 1922, Rev. William S. C. Webster, D.D., aged 78.

XV. The Presbytery of Lyons consists of 12 ministers and 18 churches.

Ministers received:

December 10, 1921, Rev. James S. Smith, from the Presbytery of Troy.

December 10, 1921, Rev. William H. Benford, from the Protestant Episcopal Church.

April 10, 1922, Rev. Thomas Tighe, from the Presbytery of Cayuga.

Ministers dismissed:

- November 21, 1921, Rev. R. J. Curnow, to the Presbytery of Lackawanna.
 November 21, 1921, Rev. Boyd McCleary, to the Presbytery of St. Clairsville.
 March 2, 1922, Rev. Ward C. Peabody, to the Presbytery of St. Lawrence.

Installations:

- December 14, 1921, Rev. James S. Smith, over the church at Marion.
 May 3, 1922, Rev. Thomas Tighe, over the church at Palmyra.

Pastoral relations dissolved:

- November 27, 1921, between Rev. R. J. Curnow and the church at Red Creek.
 November 27, 1921, between Rev. Boyd McCleary and the church at Palmyra.
 March 5, 1922, between Rev. Ward C. Peabody and the church at East Palmyra.
 June 9, 1922, between Rev. James S. Smith and the church at Marion.

Ministers deposed:

- December 10, 1921, Rev. Omega D. Dutcher.

Ministers deceased:

- March 14, 1922, Rev. John Chester Ball, D.D., at Corning, N. Y.

XVI. The Presbytery of New York consists of 186 ministers and 62 churches, and has under its care 3 licentiates and 12 candidates.

Ministers dismissed:

- November 14, 1921, Rev. Alfred D. Moore, to the Methodist Episcopal Conference of Tennessee.
 November 14, 1921, Rev. Warren D. Hall, to the Presbytery of Buffalo.
 February 20, 1922, Rev. Basil Hall, to the Presbytery of Brooklyn-Nassau.
 April 10, 1922, Rev. Joseph Giardina, to the Presbytery of Northumberland.
 April 10, 1922, Rev. A. C. Murphy, to the Presbytery of Topeka.
 June 12, 1922, Rev. Orin G. Cocks, to the Presbytery of Northumberland.
 June 12, 1922, Rev. Harry R. Stark, to the Presbytery of Jersey City.
 October 2, 1922, Rev. Ray F. Jenney, to the Presbytery of Peoria.
 October 2, 1922, Rev. James Cromie, to the Presbytery of Westchester.

Ministers received:

- November 14, 1921, Rev. Richard Roberts, from the New York City Association of Congregational Churches.
 November 14, 1921, Rev. Wm. P. Schell, from the Presbytery of Geneva.
 November 14, 1921, Rev. Bartholomew Tron, from the Presbytery of Chicago.
 April 10, 1922, Rev. George M. Duff, from the Presbytery of Shenango.
 April 23, 1922, Rev. Raymond Clee, from the Lawrence St. Congregational Church, Lawrence, Mass.
 April 23, 1922, Rev. Edwin Hale, from the Presbytery of Logansport.
 October 2, 1922, Rev. Jesse T. Jones, from the Presbytery of Washington City.

Installations :

- November 15, 1921, Rev. Richard Roberts, over the American Church of Montreal.
 April 23, 1922, Rev. G. M. Duff, over the Riverdale Church.
 May 7, 1922, Rev. F. R. Clee, over the Church of the Good Shepherd.

Minister ordained :

- May 4, 1922, Donald J. Walton.

Ministers deceased :

- December 17, 1921, Rev. D. Stuart Dodge, D.D., New York, aged 84.
 July 8, 1922, Rev. Jesse F. Forbes, D.D., at Watermill, L. I., aged 74.
 August 18, 1922, Rev. Marvin R. Vincent, D.D., at Forest Hills, aged 86.
 August 3, 1922, Rev. Ira S. Dodd, at Wakefield, R. I., aged 82.

Minister dropped :

- January 8, 1922, Rev. Wm. H. Wilson.

Pastoral relations dissolved :

- January 9, 1922, between Rev. D. E. Lorenz and the Church of the Good Shepherd.
 October 2, 1922, between Rev. R. F. Jenney and Faith Church.
 October 2, 1922, between Rev. James Cromie and Woodstock Church.

Licentiate dismissed :

- November 14, 1922, Thos. McIntyre Jr., to the Presbytery of Brooklyn-Nassau.

Candidates taken under care of presbytery :

- January 8, 1922, Nunzianta Testa.
 January 8, 1922, John Pope.
 January 8, 1922, Fred H. Bucholtz.
 January 8, 1922, Kalman Gall.

Candidates received :

- April 10, 1922, Isaac Steiner.
 April 10, 1922, David R. Stewart.
 June 12, 1922, Milton H. Sangree, from the Presbytery of Philadelphia.

Candidates licensed :

- April 10, 1922, Dimitry Divich.
 April 10, 1922, Robert H. Dunn.
 April 10, 1922, Nicholis Motin.

XVII. The Presbytery of Niagara consists of 21 ministers and 20 churches, and has under its care 3 candidates, and 2 licensed evangelists.

Ministers received :

- November 18, 1921, Rev. Frederic L. Greene, from the Presbytery of Otsego.
 December 16, Rev. Abram W. Gray, from the Presbytery of Rushville.
 June 12, 1922, Rev. John E. Herman, from the Litchfield South Congregational Association.
 September 25, Rev. George B. Booth, from the Presbytery of Mahoning.

Pastoral relations dissolved:

March 21, 1922, between Rev. G. Taylor Wright and the North Church of North Tonawanda.

June 12, 1922, between Rev. William Parker, and the church at Knowlesville.

Installations:

November 18, 1921, Rev. Stewart M. Robinson, over the First Church of Lockport.

April 24, 1922, Rev. Frederic L. Greene, over the church at Wilson.

Ministers dismissed:

December 16, 1921, Rev. Royal E. McGowan, to the Presbytery of Steuben.

September 25, 1922, Rev. Wallace W. Gushee, to the Presbytery of Genesee.

Local Evangelists licensed:

September 25, 1922, Elders A. Ernest Dutcher and Robert Parkhill, both of Pierce Avenue Church, Niagara Falls.

XVIII. The Presbytery of North River consists of 35 ministers and 30 churches, and has under its care 3 candidates.

Ministers received:

January 9, 1922, Rev. John B. Hughes, from the Presbytery of Buffalo.

April 17, 1922, Rev. S. Wright Butler, from the Omaha Congregational Association.

Licentiate received:

October 31, 1921, Dowie G. De Boer, from the Classis of New Brunswick of the Reformed Church in America.

Pastoral relations dissolved:

April 17, 1922, between Rev. John McNab and the First Church of Poughkeepsie.

Ordination:

October 31, 1921, Dowie G. De Boer.

Installations:

October 31, 1921, Rev. Dowie G. De Boer, over the Marlborough church.

February 21, 1922, Rev. John B. Hughes, over the First Church of Newburgh.

Ministers dismissed:

April 17, 1922, Rev. John McNab, to the Presbytery of New Brunswick.

June 17, 1922, Rev. Theron Hewitt, to the Presbytery of Huntingdon.

Minister deceased:

April 23, 1922, Rev. David M. Hunter, at Newburgh, N. Y., aged 66.

XIX. The Presbytery of North Siam consists of 15 ministers and 38 churches.

XX. The Presbytery of Otsego consists of 30 ministers and 29 churches, and has under its care 1 licentiate and 2 candidates.

Ministers received:

- March 28, 1922, Rev. William Tatlock, from the Presbytery of West Jersey.
 April 18, 1922, Rev. George W. Walker, from the Presbytery of Albany.
 September 25, 1922, Rev. Albert A. Martin, from Lincoln Association of Congregational Churches.
 September 26, 1922, Rev. William H. Willits, from the Presbytery of Cleveland.

Candidates taken under care of Presbytery:

- April 17, 1922, S. H. Boys.
 April 17, 1922, Willis B. Kilpatrick.
 May 23, 1922, John Graydon Brown.

Candidates licensed:

- April 17, 1922, Willis B. Kilpatrick.
 May 23, 1922, S. H. Boys.
 July 11, 1922, John Graydon Brown.

Pastoral relations dissolved:

- April 18, 1922, between Rev. George N. Makely and the Second Church of Delhi.
 September 26, 1922, between Rev. Harry B. Erkman and the church at Milford.

Ordinations:

- May 23, 1922, Willis B. Kilpatrick.
 July 11, 1922, John Graydon Brown.

Installations:

- December 8, 1921, Rev. Royal L. M. Neufeld, over the church at Hamden.
 March 28, 1922, Rev. William Tatlock over Colchester Church at Downsville.
 July 11, 1922, Rev. John Graydon Brown over the church at Unadilla.

Minister dismissed:

- April 18, 1922, Rev. George N. Makely, to the Presbytery of Utica.

Minister deceased:

- April 2, 1922, Rev. James H. Robinson, D.D., Pastor Emeritus of First Church of Delhi, at Delhi, N. Y., aged 86.

Miscellaneous:

- July 31, 1922, Jefferson Church, with consent of Presbytery, consolidated with Jefferson Methodist Episcopal Church, under the name of "The First Methodist Episcopal Church of Jefferson, N. Y."
 September 26, 1922, the name of Jefferson Church was stricken from the roll of Presbytery.

XXI. The Presbytery of Porto Rico consists of 35 ministers and 39 churches, and has under its care 8 local evangelists and 25 candidates.

XXII. The Presbytery of Rochester consists of 73 ministers and 53 churches, and has under its care 13 candidates.

Ministers received :

- April 10, 1922, Rev. Sherman W. Haven, from the Presbytery of Utica.
 April 10, 1922, Rev. Fred O. Scurrah, from the Presbytery of St. Lawrence.
 April 10, 1922, Rev. William W. Weller, from the Presbytery of Geneva.
 June 12, 1922, Rev. John Boyce, from the Presbytery of Cayuga.
 September 26, 1922, Rev. Homer D. Pease, from the Presbytery of Syracuse.
 September 26, 1922, Rev. Paul Stratton, from the Presbytery of Albany.

Candidate taken under care of presbytery :

- June 12, 1922, Allan B. Draper.

Licentiate received :

- June 12, 1922, William Henry Galbreath, from the Presbytery of Westchester.

Candidate licensed :

- April 10, 1922, David W. Moody.

Pastoral relations dissolved :

- December 27, 1921, between Rev. Henry Snyder and the East Rochester Church.
 June 12, 1922, between Rev. Henry Ward Campbell and Trinity Church of Rochester.
 September 25, 1922, between Rev. C. Waldo Cherry and the Central Church of Rochester.

Ordination :

- June 14, 1922, Wiliam Henry Galbreath.

Installations :

- January 24, 1922, Rev. Murdo D. McLeod over the Central Church of Avon.
 April 20, 1922, Rev. Fred O. Scurrah over the East Rochester church.
 April 24, 1922, Rev. Sherman W. Haven over the Lake Side Church of Rochester.
 May 11, 1922, Rev. Albert Stearns over Union Church of Leicester.
 July 3, 1922, Rev. John Boyce over Pittsford church.

Ministers dismissed :

- December 27, 1921, Rev. Henry Snyder, to the Presbytery of Peoria.
 April 10, 1922, Rev. Peter Birrell, to the Presbytery of Syracuse.
 September 25, 1922, Rev. C. Waldo Cherry, to the Presbytery of Carlisle.

Minister deceased :

- February 8, 1922, Rev. Walter B. Jorris, at Rochester, N. Y., aged about 50 years.

XXIII. The Presbytery of St. Lawrence consists of 30 ministers and 35 churches, and has under its care 3 candidates and 1 female candidate for becoming a medical missionary.

Ministers received :

- October 24, 1921, Rev. James J. Hoffman, from the Presbytery of Albany.
 April 17, 1922, Rev. Ward C. Peabody, from the Presbytery of Lyons.

Pastoral relations dissolved:

- January 15, 1922, between Rev. Charles L. Luther and the church at Adams.
 January 16, 1922, between Rev. Albert I. Dickenson and the church at Dexter.
 February 23, 1922, between Rev. Fred O. Scurrah and the church at Canton.
 February 26, 1922, between Rev. Robert B. Perine and the church at Carthage.
 April 18, 1922, between Rev. John Manley Spencer and the church at Chaumont.
 May 1, 1922, between Rev. Adelbert Welch and the church at Brownville.
 September 25, 1922, between Rev. George H. Enfield and the church at Morristown.

Installations:

- November 3, 1921, Rev. James J. Hoffman, over Hope Church of Watertown.
 June 6, 1922, Rev. John Manley Spencer, over the church at Canton.

Ministers dismissed:

- December 15, 1921, Rev. Allan G. Bowering, to the Presbytery of Elizabeth.
 January 16, 1922, Rev. Henry S. Huntington, to the Presbytery of Westchester.
 January 16, 1922, Rev. Albert I. Dickenson, to the Presbytery of Erie.
 February 23, 1922, Rev. Fred O. Scurrah to the Presbytery of Rochester.
 February 23, 1922, Rev. Robert B. Perine, to the Presbytery of Lackawanna.
 April 17, 1922, Rev. Charles L. Luther, to the Presbytery of McAlester.

XXIV. The Presbytery of South Siam consists of 17 ministers and 16 churches, and has under its care 19 licentiates and 3 local evangelists.

XXV. The Presbytery of Steuben consists of 18 ministers and 25 churches, and has under its care 1 licentiate and 4 candidates.

Ministers received:

- December 12, 1921, Rev. Royal E. MacGowan, from the Presbytery of Niagara.
 April 18, 1922, Rev. Harry L. Somers, from the Presbytery of Genesee.
 September 19, 1922, Rev. Esta E. Grosh, from the Presbytery of Geneva.

Candidate taken under care of Presbytery:

- September 19, 1922, Floyd Tompkins.

Licensure:

- September 19, 1922, Howard Curtiss.

Pastoral relations dissolved:

- December 12, 1922, between Rev. Charles C. MacLean and the First Church of Hornell.
 April 23, 1922, between Rev. Daniel MacKay and the church at Addison.
 August 7, 1922, between Rev. William Wright Stoddard and the church at Prattsburgh.

September 7, 1922, between Rev. George H. Wilkins and the church at Arkport.

Installations:

April 27, 1922, Rev. Harry L. Somers, over the church at Canistota.
 May 9, 1922, Rev. Royal E. MacGowan, over the church at Andover.
 September 7, 1922, Rev. Esta E. Grosh, over the church at Campbell.

Ministers dismissed:

December 12, 1921, Rev. Charles C. MacLean, to the Presbytery of Genesee.
 May 3, 1922, Rev. Clarence H. Ford, to the Presbytery of Utica.
 August 7, 1922, Rev. William Wright Stoddard, to the Presbytery of Cleveland of the United Presbyterian Church.
 September 7, 1922, Rev. George H. Wilkins, to the Presbytery of Albany.
 September 19, 1922, Rev. Russell James Clinchy, to the Litchfield North Congregational Association of Connecticut.
 September 19, 1922, Rev. William Sangree, to the Presbytery of Buffalo.

Minister dropped from the roll of presbytery at his own request:

December 12, 1921, Rev. Martin N. Longenecker.

XXVI. The Presbytery of Syracuse consists of 47 ministers and 39 churches, and has under its care 2 licentiates and one candidate.

Ministers received:

November 1, 1921, Rev. C. Clarence Baker, from the Presbytery of Geneva.
 April 11, 1922, Rev. Peter Birrell, from the Presbytery of Rochester.
 September 19, 1922, Rev. Ralph H. Houseman, from the Presbytery of Troy.

Licentiate received:

November 1, 1921, Frederick B. McFeely, from the Presbytery of Cayuga.

Candidates licensed:

December 12, 1921, Albert J. Anthony.
 June 5, 1922, David MacInnis.

Pastoral relations dissolved:

November 1, 1921, between Rev. Cassius J. Sargent and the church at Liverpool.
 June 5, 1922, between Rev. John M. MacInnis and the South Church of Syracuse.
 June 5, 1922, between Rev. I. Newton Steelman and the church at Parish.
 June 5, 1922, between Rev. I. Newton Steelman and the church at Hastings.

Ordinations:

May 12, 1922, Frederick B. McFeely.
 June 1, 1922, Albert J. Anthony.

Installations:

November 1, 1922, Rev. C. Clarence Baker over the First Ward Church of Syracuse.
 May 12, 1922, Rev. Frederick B. McFeely over the Otisco Church.
 May 24, 1922, Rev. Peter Birrell over the Elmwood Church of Syracuse.

September 29, 1922, Rev. Ralph H. Houseman over the Westminster Church of Syracuse.

Ministers dismissed:

April 10, 1922, Rev. C. Lansing Seymour, to the Presbytery of Buffalo.

September 18, 1922, Rev. Homer D. Pease, to the Presbytery of Rochester.

Minister deceased:

September 12, 1922, Rev. William Herberton Liggett, at Philadelphia, Pa., aged 53.

XXVII. The Presbytery of Troy consists of 41 ministers and 33 churches.

Ministers received:

November 30, 1921, Rev. Daniel J. Many, Jr., from the Classis of Schenectady of the Reformed Church in America.

September 18, 1922, Rev. James C. Perkins, from the Congregational Association of Ministers and Churches of Essex County.

Pastoral relations dissolved:

December 31, 1921, between Rev. Arthur L. Berger and the Caldwell church at Lake George.

Installations:

December 28, 1921, Rev. Daniel J. Many, Jr., over the church at Brunswick.

January 4, 1922, Rev. Arthur L. Berger, over the Church at Whitehall.

Minister dismissed:

September 18, 1922, Rev. Ralph H. Houseman, to the Presbytery of Syracuse.

Church dissolved:

September 18, 1922, the church at East Lake George.

XXVIII. The Presbytery of Utica consists of 49 ministers and 45 churches, and has under its care 2 licentiates and 4 candidates.

Ministers received:

December 5, 1921, Rev. Floyd E. Kline, from the North East Ohio Conference of the Methodist Episcopal Church.

May 31, 1922, Rev. Frank W. West, from the Presbytery of Binghamton.

May 31, 1922, Rev. Clarence H. Ford, from the Presbytery of Steuben.

June 6, 1922, Rev. George N. Makely, from the Presbytery of Otsego.

September 25, 1922, Rev. John Evans, from the Presbytery of Genesee.

September 25, 1922, Rev. Charles M. Wyse, from the Presbytery of Lyons.

Ordination:

September 26, 1922, C. Stanley Bergner.

Installations:

November 1, 1921, Rev. Wilbur A. Wager, over the church at Verona.

November 7, 1921, Rev. Floyd E. Kline, over the church at Lowville.

May 31, 1922, Rev. Clarence H. Ford, over the North Gage and South Trenton churches.

June 6, 1922, Rev. George N. Makely, over the church at Camden.

Pastoral relations dissolved:

- December 5, 1921, between John B. Grant and the church at Vernon Center.
 December 5, 1921, between Rev. George McCulloch and the church at Camden.
 December 5, 1921, between Rev. Edwards Eells and the church at Old Forge.
 January 2, 1922, between Rev. Earnest E. Eells and the church at Boonville.
 May 31, 1922, between Rev. Charles H. Dayton and the churches at Turin and Martinsburg.
 July 7, 1922, between Rev. B. Van Vliet Putnam and the church at Dolgeville.

Ministers dismissed:

- December 5, 1921, Rev. John B. Grant, to the Central Congregational Association.
 December 5, 1921, Rev. George McCulloch, to the Presbytery of Buffalo.
 April 11, 1922, Rev. Edward Eells, to the Menden Congregational Association.
 April 30, 1922, Rev. Sherman W. Haven, to the Presbytery of Rochester.
 January 2, 1922, Rev. Earnest E. Eells, to the Presbytery of Chester.
 May 31, 1922, Rev. Charles H. Dayton, to the Presbytery of Genesee.
 September 19, 1922, Rev. Mills S. Grimes, to the Presbytery of Carlisle.

Minister deceased:

- September 16, 1922, Rev. George O. Phelps, at Utica, aged 89.

XXIX. The Presbytery of Westchester consists of 69 ministers and 34 churches, and has under its care 2 licentiates and 3 candidates.

Ministers received:

- April 17, 1922, Rev. E. Nichols Comfort, from the Presbytery of Newark.
 April 17, 1922, Rev. Frank Kovacs, from the Presbytery of Morris and Orange.
 April 17, 1922, Rev. Robert P. Gibson, from the Presbytery of Buffalo.
 April 17, 1922, Rev. Henry S. Huntington, from the Presbytery of St. Lawrence.

Candidate taken under care of Presbytery:

- January 17, 1922, Antonio Zuccara.

Pastoral relations dissolved:

- June 20, 1922, between Rev. Charles L. Carhart and the church at Larchmont.

Ministers dismissed:

- June 20, 1922, Rev. Andrew Szilagyi, to the Presbytery of Philadelphia.
 August 12, 1922, Rev. Samuel G. Palmer, to the Presbytery of Rochester.

Ministers deceased:

- October 20, 1921, Rev. R. Randall Hoes, Chaplain in the United States Navy, at Washington, D. C., aged 71.
 February 20, 1922, Rev. William J. Cumming, at Germantown, Pennsylvania, aged 74.

II. CHANGES IN PRESBYTERIAL OFFICERS

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- Presbytery of Geneva: Rev. David L. Roberts, Waterloo, N. Y., *vice* Rev. J. Wilford Jacks, D.D.
 Presbytery of Hudson: Rev. Charles M. Ackerman, Hillburn, N. Y., *vice* Rev. John H. Thompson.
 Presbytery of Lyons: Rev. George C. Noetling, Williamson, N. Y., *vice* Rev. David B. McMurdy.
 Presbytery of New York: Rev. Harlan G. Mendenhall, D.D., (pro tem), *vice* Rev. Jesse F. Forbes, D.D.
 Presbytery of South Siam: Rev. Herbert W. Stewart, Pitsanuloke, Siam, *vice* Rev. A. Willard Cooper.
 Presbytery of Westchester: Rev. Thomas C. Straus, Peekskill, N. Y., *vice* Rev. William J. Cumming.

Permanent Clerk

- Presbytery of Hudson: Rev. M. C. Jacobs, *vice* Rev. Charles M. Ackerman.

Treasurer

- Presbytery of Binghamton: Rev. T. Maxwell Morrison, Johnson City, New York.

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V. THE NEW YORK WOMAN'S SYNODICAL MISSIONARY SOCIETY.

1. ANNUAL REPORT OF THE SOCIETY TO SYNOD.

To the Synod of New York,
Gentlemen:-

At this our fortieth annual meeting we are pleased to render an account of the stewardship of the Presbyterian women, young people and children of New York State.

Our Synodical Society includes 25 Presbyterials with 729 auxiliaries, nine of which are newly organized. Our membership has also increased, active and associate together numbering 37,587. Sacrificial giving of service and gold in order to meet the Presbyterian apportionments is reported by many secretaries and the total amount given by all of our organizations is \$366,744, of which \$189,798 was for Foreign Missions and \$176,046 for Home and Freedmen work.

In gifts to Freedmen work, Buffalo and Rochester lead, both going above the \$3,000 mark. New York (Home) and Utica have entered the \$2,000 list, with Westchester, Troy and Syracuse following closely. Albany, Brooklyn, Niagara and Cayuga are well past the \$1,000 mark. Twelve Presbyterials report sending the much needed Boxes.

The Secretary for Young People reports 356 Senior and Intermediate Christian Endeavor societies with a membership of 7,634 and gifts of \$9,409. Of these societies 43 are new. There are 83 Young Women's Societies with a membership of 3,342 and gifts of \$6,947. Several Conferences held in various Presbyterials have aroused great enthusiasm among the young people.

The Westminster Guild Secretary reports 36 new Chapters and Circles, indicating great zeal on the part of Presbyterian Secretaries in promoting increased interest among our Presbyterian young women. There are 153 of these chapters with a membership of 2,509. \$4,939 was given to special work and each secretary reports that the societies are giving largely to relief work, local missions, church and community welfare, hospital work and Christmas boxes. Utica wins first place in number of Societies, gifts, delegates to Summer Conferences, Mission study classes and Standard of Excellence. Seven societies attained 80 to 100 per cent. in the Standard of Excellence.

The Secretary of Missionary Education reports growth in study and interest, resulting in nearly double the number of classes and a strengthening of the whole missionary program. Thirteen Schools of Missions are reported. "Trend of the Races" and "Building with India" call for reading and study, as few books have. It is of the greatest importance to us that we should know how the black and brown races are being stirred to day, and to understand their problems.

From our Secretary of Literature we gain these facts; that 12 Presbyterials have made a gain in magazine subscriptions, thirteen in the Year Book of Prayer and fourteen in the purchase of text books. Along these lines Steuben and Hudson lead.

Home and Overseas Hospital Work starts off with splendid promise. Eighteen Presbyterian Societies have sent generous gifts to aid and make more efficient the work of eleven Hospitals, located in India, Siam, Korea and China; and refugee garments have been sent to Syria, Beirut and Persia.

"Surely the Lord hath done great things for us whereof we are glad."

May we continue to "proclaim the good news to all the Nations."

October 17, 1922.

MRS. CHARLES B. QUICK, President.

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Name	Presbytery	Place
1882. *Henry A. Nelson, D.D., Convener	Geneva	Utica
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1886. *Joseph E. Nassau, D.D.	Genesee	Elmira
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1892. *Levi Parsons, D.D.	Rochester	Albany
1893. *James Gardner, D.D.	Albany	Rochester
1894. George C. Yeisley, D.D.	Columbia	New York
1895. Howard Duffield, D.D.	New York	Binghamton
1896. *Ralph E. Prime, LL.D. (Elder)	Westchester	Brooklyn
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1898. *A. Cameron MacKenzie, D.D.	Binghamton	Elmira
1899. *James H. Robinson, D.D.	Otsego	Troy
1900. David G. Wylie, D.D.	New York	Geneva
1901. *William Waith, Ph.D.	Buffalo	Buffalo
1902. *William K. Hall, D.D.	North River	Albany
1903. *William M. Johnson, D.D.	Troy	Ithaca
1904. *Dana W. Bigelow, D.D.	Utica	Middletown
1905. Isaac Jennings, D.D.	Chemung	Syracuse
1906. Anthony H. Evans, D.D.	New York	Lockport
1907. *Samuel W. Pratt, D.D.	Steuben	Brooklyn
1908. John F. Carson, D.D.	Brooklyn	Kingston
1909. *Willis J. Beecher, D.D.	Cayuga	Johnstown
1910. James Robertson	St. Lawrence	Rochester
1911. Martin D. Kneeland, D.D.	Boston	Auburn
1912. Henry Ward, D.D.	Buffalo	Gouverneur
1913. E. Van Dyke Wight, D.D.	Hudson	Auburn
1914. Walter Rockwood Ferris, D.D.	Syracuse	Middletown
1915. Arthur Newman	Long Island	Batavia
1916. Harlan G. Mendenhall, D.D.	New York	Newburgh
1917. Allen M. Dulles, D.D.	Cayuga	Watertown
1918. No meeting.		
1919. Alexander Alison, D.D.	North River	Rome
1920. J. Milton Thompson, D.D.	Brooklyn-Nassau	Binghamton
1921. Luther A. Ostrander, D.D.	Lyons	Mt. Vernon
1922. Albert S. Bacon, D.D.	Niagara	Buffalo

*Deceased.

VII. STANDING RULES OF SYNOD

I

The annual meeting of Synod shall begin on the third Tuesday of October at half past seven o'clock, p. m. The officers of Synod shall be a Moderator, to be chosen at the beginning of each annual meeting; a Stated Clerk, a Permanent Clerk, and a Treasurer, each of whom shall be chosen for a term of five years, and such temporary clerks as shall be chosen at each annual meeting. In case of vacancy in the office of Stated Clerk, Permanent Clerk or Treasurer, which shall occur by reason or resignation, death, removal from the bounds of Synod, or from membership of the Presbytery or Church in the Synod, the Moderator, or if he be inaccessible, the last elected Moderator shall appoint, *ad interim* a minister or elder to the vacant office, who shall hold the same until Synod shall fill the office. In case any officer of Synod shall by sickness absence or otherwise, be incapacitated from performance of the duties of his office, a minister or elder shall, in like manner, be appointed to perform the duties of the office until the incapacity shall end or until Synod shall take action.

II

The Moderator and the Stated and Permanent Clerks shall be a standing Committee to report, from year to year, on the place of the next meeting, which shall be designated prior to the adjournment, and a Committee of Arrangements shall be appointed, who shall provide suitable accommodations for the Synod and entertainment for its members, recommend the limits of the daily sessions, and propose arrangements for popular meetings.

The Stated Clerk of the Synod shall be a member of the Committee of Arrangements for every meeting of Synod. The first order of business, on the second day of the meeting of Synod, after the appointment of Committees, shall be the hearing of and action upon reports of officers of Synod and of Special Committees appointed at previous meetings of Synod.

III

The morning sessions of the Synod shall be opened with devotional services to be continued not less than half an hour.

IV

Each Presbytery shall at its stated meeting next preceding the meeting of the Synod, and if possible, not later than two weeks before such meeting, elect the number of delegates to which it is entitled, together with an equal number of alternates as prescribed by the organic rule under which the Synod is constituted, namely:

"The Synod of New York shall be composed of equal delegations of Ministers and Ruling Elders from the several Presbyteries in the following proportion: Each Presbytery, the number of whose Ministers and Churches added together, is not more than twenty, shall send one Minister and one Elder and so in like proportion for every twenty Ministers and Churches added together, or for any remaining fraction thereof, not less than one-half. Provided that no Presbytery shall be entitled to send more than ten Ministers and ten Elders."

V

The Stated Clerk of each Presbytery, immediately after the election, shall send to the Stated Clerk, of the Synod a certified list of the delegates and alternate delegates chosen by the Presbytery to represent it at the Synod. When alternate delegates appear in place of their principals, such delegates shall report in person to the Clerks of the Synod before their names shall be substituted upon the roll.

In order to the parliamentary constitution of the annual meeting of Synod immediately after the opening of Synod, and preceding the election of officers, the roll be announced as certified to by the enrollment Committee, a printed list of all delegates and alternates be placed in the hands of every delegate.

Duplicate lists of delegates and alternates shall be sent promptly by the Stated Clerks of the Presbyteries to the Chairman of the Committee of Arrangements.

VI

The Stated and Permanent Clerks shall have the privileges of the floor and the chairmen of the Committees, appointed at a previous session to report to the Synod, shall be entitled to participate in debate when their reports are under consideration.

Ministers of other Synods, and of bodies in correspondence with the General Assembly, may be elected corresponding members, and the members nominating them shall report immediately to the Stated Clerk, in writing, the names of such Ministers in full, their Synodical or equivalent ecclesiastical relations and their postoffice addresses.

VII

In case of the failure of the Moderator, the Annual Meeting shall be opened with a sermon by a Minister of the Synod designated by the Committee of Arrangements.

VIII

A complete roll of the Ministers and Churches of each Presbytery, and a Statistical Report and History of its Acts and Changes for the year preceding, as required by the Form of Government, Chap. X, Sec. 9, shall be sent by its Stated Clerk to the Stated Clerk of the Synod, as soon as practicable after the Fall Stated Meeting of the Presbytery; and the statistical reports shall be printed in the Appendix to the Minutes.

IX

The following Standing Committees shall be appointed by the Moderator at every annual meeting:

1. Bills and Overtures.
2. Judicial Business.
3. Minutes of General Assembly.
4. Finance.
5. Leave of Absence.
6. To nominate Woman's Synodical Committee on Home Missions.
7. To nominate Trustees of the Synod.
8. On the records of the several Presbyteries.
9. To collate the Reports on Presbyterial Records.
10. In every year of even numbers a Committee to nominate the Permanent Committees for the ensuing two years, as follows: I. Religious Education; II. Men's Work; III. Foreign Missions; IV. Education; V. Church Erection; VI. Ministerial Relief; VII. Missions to Freedmen; VIII. Temperance; IX. Sabbath Observance; such permanent Committees consist each of three Ministers and two ruling Elders.

X

In all cases not otherwise provided for by its own regulations, the Synod shall be governed in its proceedings by the General Rules of Judicatories appended to the Form of Government, as amended by the General Assembly.

XI

All papers intended for the Synod or its Committees shall be delivered to the Stated Clerk, and reported by him before being referred.

XII

The Stated Clerk shall have authority to print in the Minutes, abstracts of extended reports, excepting those portions which contain resolutions or recommendations adopted by the Synod.

XIII

To provide for the necessary expenses of the Synod, the several Presbyteries shall furnish, annually, amounts proportioned to the number of their communicants, according to a rate per capita determined at the previous meetings of the Synod. And if no action has been taken the rate shall be seven mills for each communicant.

These sums shall be due and payable to the Treasurer on the first of October, when the Synod's fiscal year shall terminate.

XIV

The Treasurer shall be authorized to pay the salaries and the traveling expenses of the Stated and Permanent Clerks in attending the sessions of the Synod; and all charges incurred under the standing orders or special resolutions of the Synod, upon the certificate of the Stated Clerk. His accounts and vouchers shall be presented at the annual meeting, and shall be audited by the Committee on Finance.

XV

Vacancies occurring between the annual sessions of the Synod in any of its Committees may be filled *ad interim* by the Moderator.

XVI

An Executive Commission shall be appointed of which the Moderator of the Synod shall be chairman *ex-officio*, one Minister and one Elder shall be appointed annually hereafter to serve for three years. The work of the Commission shall be along the lines of the Executive Commission of the General Assembly, as far as applicable to the work of our Synod.

XVII

For each session of Synod a list in chronological order of all Ministers who have died during the ecclesiastical year shall be prepared by the Stated Clerk from information given by the Stated Clerks of the Presbyteries; this list shall be read by him immediately after the roll call on the morning of the second day of the session of Synod, and the Synod standing shall thereupon be led in prayer by the Moderator.

XVIII

The Minutes of the Synod shall be printed, under the direction of the Stated Clerk, as soon as practicable, after the adjournment; and a copy shall be sent to every Minister, to every Elder, and to the Session of each vacant Church, within the bounds, severally, of those Presbyteries whose apportionments for Synodical expenses have been paid.

XIX

(1) All Committees of Synod shall report in writing, and all reports of Permanent Committees and of Special Committees appointed at one meeting of Synod, to report at a later meeting, shall be placed in the hands of the Stated Clerk, at least twenty days before the annual meeting of Synod; such reports shall be printed by the Stated Clerk in a Blue Book, to be ready at the place of meeting six hours before the meeting, and distributed to the delegates as they enroll; such reports shall not be read on the floor of Synod unless ordered by Synod and shall be abstracted and not printed in full in the Minutes; the action of Synod thereon to be printed and such abstracts therefrom as may be necessary to show the action of Synod.

(2) The Committee on Synodical Missions shall print its own report as Part II of the Blue Book and have the same in the hands of the Stated Clerk for distribution at the time and manner above provided as to the Blue Book.

The Clerk shall furnish to each delegate on his enrollment a uniform card to be filled up by him and delivered to the Clerks, which shall state his name, name of his Presbytery, the day of his enrollment and such other information as to the Clerks may be convenient. Such cards shall constitute a duplicate roll for use of the Clerks and of Synod.

The roll shall not be called during meetings of Synod, except only the final roll call, unless Synod shall otherwise direct.

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