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Currie, Rev. W. P., Butler, 45,	1 00	Liggett, Wm., Paoli, 45,	2 00
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Doig, Miss M., Brushland, per m., 45,	2 00	Maley, S. H., Logansport, 44, 45,	4 50
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Ekin, M. E., Tiaker Run, 45,	2 00	Morrow, David, Peoria, 45,	2 00
Elliott, Rev. J. C., Coulterville, Ills. 45,	1 00	Morrow, Rev. David, Logansport, 45,	1 00
Ewing, John, Mahoning, 44, 45,	4 50	Morrow, Rev. S. F., Albany, 45,	1 00
Ferguson, James, Phila. 12 to 20	14 50	Muney, Wm., Little York, 45,	2 00
Findley, James, H., Rock Run, 45,	2 00	McArthur, Rev. J., Biggsville, per m., 45,	1 00
Forest, Walter, Delhi, per m., 45,	2 00	McArthur, Rev. Samuel, Brush Valley, 45,	1 00
Forsyth, R. H., Kimbolton, 45,	2 00	McArthur, Rev. S., Brush Valley, m.n., 1.50	
Forsyth, S., Bullville, to May, 1869,	2 00	McBride, Matthew H., Cannonsburg, 45,	2 00
Poster, Mrs. T., Shushan, per m., 45,	2 00	McBride, Rev. S. B., Franklinville, min. 30	
Frazier, Wm. Williamsburgh, per m., 45,	2 00	McCalmont, J. C., andor, 45,	2 00
Gearn, George, Newburgh, 45, minutes,	1 00	McClelland, Rev. D. M., Philips' Mills, 45,	1 00
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OF THE TENTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE UNITED PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH OF NORTH AMERICA, AT ITS MEETING IN ARGYLE, N. Y., MAY 27, 1868.

{ United Presbyterian Church, Argyle, N. Y.,
Wednesday, May 27th, 1868, at 2 o'clock, P. M.

THE TENTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY of the United Presbyterian Church of North America convened at the above time and place; and after sermon by the Rev. J. B. Dales, D. D., the retiring Moderator, on 1 Cor. ix. 16, "Yea, wo is unto me, if I preach not the gospel," was by him constituted with prayer.

The Committee on Credentials reported the following roll, which was called by the Clerk:—

ROLL.

PRESBYTERY OF ALBANY.

Ministers. J. L. Clark.
Elders. John McNab.

PRESB. OF ARGYLE.

George Mairs Wm. T. Foster,
J. H. Andrew. John Gourlie,

PRESB. OF ALLEGHENY.

J. T. Pressly, D. D., James McCutcheon,
A. G. Shafer, Wm. Trimble,
J. G. Barnes, James Fife,*
J. R. Kerr. John Dean.

PRESB. OF BIG SPRING.

W. L. Wallace. Wm. Wilson.

PRESBYTERY OF BOSTON.

J. P. Robb, Andrew Kerr,*
P. Y. Smith.

PRESB. OF BLOOMINGTON.

John M. Baugh, J. T. Gowdy,
P. H. Dreanen. George Stewart.

PRESB. OF BUTLER.

J. N. Dick, H. Bovard.*
Samuel Kerr, Jos. Rosenberry,*
S. C. Reid. David Douthett.*

PRESB. OF CALEDONIA.

J. P. Sankey, D. R. Campbell,
W. J. Robinson. Hon. H. D. McCall.

PRESB. OF CEDAR RAPIDS.

J. G. Freeborn. W. S. Cooper.

PRESB. OF CHARTIERS.

D. S. Kennedy, A. E. McClees,
S. Taggart. Robert Russell.

PRESB. OF CHICAGO.

W. T. Moffet. Andrew Beveridge.

PRESB. OF CHILLICOTHE.

Jonathan Stewart, Michael Brenner,*
David MacDill.* W. B. Harsha.*

PRESB. OF CLEVELAND.

D. Goodwillie. Andrew Alexander.*

PRESB. OF CONEMAUGH.

H. Q. Graham, A. S. Patterson
J. C. Telford. John Oliver

PRESB. OF DELAWARE.

John Service,* Thomas Dickson,
J. B. Lee. D. L. Thompson.*

PRESB. OF DES MOINES.

R. A. McAyeal, S. E. Rankin.*
T. P. Dysart.

PRESB. OF DETROIT.

J. P. Scott, Jonathan Todd,*
W. Robertson. N. Mitchell.*

PRESB. OF EGYPT.

Andrew Watson,
S. C. Ewing.

* Not present at the Assembly.

PRESB. OF FRANKFORT.

D. W. Carson. Farmer Purdy.

PRESB. OF INDIANA.

W. A. Hutchison, W. Ewing, M. D.
M. Arnott. W. H. Bonner.

PRESB. OF KANSAS.

J. C. Herron, David Martin.*
B. L. Baldrige.* Jas. J. Larimer.*

PRESB. OF KEOKUK.

A. Story, Robert Braden,*
J. T. Tate, Samuel Gould,

PRESB. OF LAKE.

J. R. Brittain, Robert Templeton.*
Joseph McNabb. James G. M'Lean.

PRESB. OF LE CLAIRE.

S. S. Ralston. Abel Comstock.*

PRESB. OF MANSFIELD.

R. H. Pollock, Benjamin Wilson,*
D. H. French. Andrew Ingles.

PRESB. OF MERCER.

J. H. Peacock, J. Kissick,
J. R. Miller, J. B. Cummins,*

PRESB. OF MICHIGAN.

John Anderson, John Blair,
T. J. Wilson. A. M. Weede.*

PRESB. OF MINNESOTA.

W. J. Cleland. W. Allison.*

PRESB. OF MONMOUTH.

Marion Morrison, A. M'Dougal,
Jas. McArthur, R. H. Reed,
J. H. Montgomery, W. D. Henderson,
John Scott, D. D. Daniel Gordon.*

PRESB. OF MONONGAHELA.

R. Gracey, D. D., H. J. Murdoch,
A. Calhoun, R. A. Cunningham,
R. H. Boyd. J. Richardson.

PRESB. OF MUSKINGUM.

James Duncan, John Yost,*
James White. Abraham Armstrong.*

PRESB. OF NEBRASKA.

D. C. Wilson. Wm. McMichael.*

FIRST PRESB. OF NEW YORK.

James Harper, D. D., George Gearn,
R. Armstrong. Henry Harrison.

SECOND PRESB. OF NEW YORK.

R. A. Hill, Wm. Frazer,
A. A. McConnell. Elias Wasson.

DELEGATES FROM OTHER CHURCHES.

General Synod of the Reformed (Dutch) Church in America, Rev. P. Peltz, D.D.
General Assembly of the (N.S.), Presbyterian Church in the United States, Rev. A. B. Lambert, D.D.

General Assembly of the Presbyterian Church in the United States, (O. S.), Rev. J. Nesbit. General Synod of the Reformed Presbyterian Church, Rev. John Douglas, D.D.

The Assembly proceeded to the election of a Moderator.

Assembly agreed that it should be a rule of the Assembly, that the tellers shall, in counting the votes, announce, in the hearing of the Assembly, the name of the person recorded on each ballot.

FIRST PRESB. OF OHIO.

W. Davidson, D. D., James Giffen,
Robert Stewart. John Simpson.

PRESB. OF OREGON.

PRESB. OF PHILADELPHIA.

J. M. Hutchison, John Alexander,
H. W. Torrence. Wm. Getty.

PRESB. OF PRINCETON.

PRESB. OF ROCK ISLAND.

Wm. Cook, John Lafferty,*
W. H. McMillan. Ed. Russell.*

PRES. OF SEALKOTE.

A. Gordon.

PRESB. OF SIDNEY.

J. W. Bain, Jos. M'Campbell,
J. W. Taylor. B. McCracken.*

PRESB. OF STAMFORD.

John Hogg. John Lees.*

PRESB. OF STEUBENVILLE.

Joseph Andrews, John McCarrell, M.D.
J. R. Sientz. John McMillan.*

PRESB. OF ST. LAWRENCE.

John Harper. Lionel Robson.*

PRESB. OF ST. LOUIS.

J. F. Stewart. Samuel Boyd.*

PRESB. OF TENNESSEE.

A. B. Coleman. Samuel Carpenter.*

PRESB. OF VERMONT.

PRESB. OF WABASH.

G. G. Mitchell. James Orr.

PRESB. OF WESTERN MISSOURI.

Samuel Jamison.

PRESB. OF WESTMORELAND.

J. D. Walkinshaw, Thomas Fergus,
J. S. Speer. David Shaw.

PRESB. OF WHEELING.

W. G. Waddle, Malcolm Ferguson,
Wm. Wishart, D. D. John Stewart.

PRESB. OF WHITE RIVER.

Wm. Turner.*

PRESB. OF WISCONSIN.

J. W. Glenn, W. Campbell,*
J. C. Elliott. David Brown.*

PRESB. OF XENIA.

S. Wilson, D. D., David Graham,
T. Beveridge, D. D., Amos Bull,
H. McHatton. E. Stewart.

Rev. James Harper, D. D., was elected.

Rev. A. G. Wallace was chosen Assistant Clerk.

The reading of the Minutes of the last Assembly, was, on motion, dispensed with.

The Board of Home Missions, asked and obtained permission for the withdrawal of the Board.

The hours of Meeting were fixed, at 9 A. M. and 2 P. M. and of adjournment at 12 M. and 5 P. M.

It was agreed that a meeting be held at 8½ o'clock to-morrow morning for devotional exercises.

Assembly adjourned. Closed with prayer by Rev. Dr. Beveridge.

Thursday, 9 o'clock A. M.

Assembly met. Opened with prayer by the Moderator. Minutes of the last Session were read, corrected and approved.

The following Standing Committees were appointed:—

Bills and Overtures.—Revs. Dr. J. T. Pressly, Dr. Thomas Beveridge, Dr. Wm. Wishart, A. B. Coleman, P. H. Drennen, and Elders Henry Harrison, and Wm. Getty.

Judicial.—Revs. Dr. R. Gracey, Dr. S. Wilson, Robt. Armstrong, A. G. Shafer, David Goodwillie, Samuel Taggart, and elders John M'Nab, James Orr, and John Gourlie.

Narrative and State of Religion.—Revs. Dr. William Davidson, J. H. Andrew, J. H. Peacock, and elders A. G. M'Clees, and Wm. M. Ewing.

Correspondence.—Revs. J. B. Lee, D. S. Kennedy, J. M. Hutchison; elders, John M'Carrol, and Andrew Beveridge.

Devotional Exercises.—Revs. J. W. Bain, P. Y. Smith, J. F. Stewart, and elders W. S. Cooper, and Wm. Frazer.

Finance.—Revs. M. Morrison, J. G. Freeborn, D. C. Wilson, and elders Eadie Russell, and D. R. Campbell.

Revision.—Revs. Samuel Jamison, J. P. Sankey, J. L. Clark, and elders Andrew Beveridge and Wm. Bonner.

Statistical Tables.—Revs. J. R. Miller, A. Calhoun, Hugh M'Hatten, and elders, John Blair, and James Gibson.

Mr. James McCandless, was appointed a Treasurer to receive during sittings of the Assembly moneys for the various Boards of the Church of which the Treasurers may not be present.

The Agent of the San Francisco Building Fund presented a Report with accompanying vouchers. Said Report was read, and with the vouchers, referred to the Committee on Finance.

The Report of the Missionary in San Francisco was presented, read, and referred to the Committee on the Board of Home Missions.

A Memorial from the Second Synod, to the General Assembly, asking a modification of the 16th Article of the Testimony, was presented read, and referred to the Committee on Bills and Overtures.

A Memorial from the Presbytery of Nebraska on Presbyterian Union was read, and referred to the Committee on Bills and Overtures.

A Communication from the Synod of the Reformed Presbyterian Church on amending the National Constitution was presented, read and referred to the Committee on Bills and Overtures.

A communication from Rev. Dr. Stearns, Chairman of a Committee appointed by the National Presbyterian Union Convention held in Philadelphia, was presented, read and referred to the Committee on Bills and Overtures.

The Reports of the Treasurers of the following Boards were pre-

sented, and referred to the Committee on Finance,—namely, Board of Foreign Missions, Freedmen's Missions, Publication, Home Missions. Also, the report of the Treasurer of the Superannuated Ministers' Fund.

The Report of the Board of Church Extension was presented, read and referred to the Committee on said Board.

The Report of the Board of Home Missions was presented, read and referred to the Committee on said Board.

The Report of the Board of Foreign Missions was presented, read and referred to the Committee on said Board.

The Assembly agreed to meet this evening at 7½ o'clock in conference on the subject of Foreign Missions. Assembly adjourned.

Closed with prayer by Rev. Dr. Davidson.

2 o'clock P.M.

Assembly met. Opened with prayer by the Moderator. Minutes of the last session were read and approved.

The following additional standing Committees were appointed:—

Foreign Missions.—Revs. R. A. Hill, W. L. Wallace, James Duncan, and elders John Alexander, James M'Cutcheon.

Home Missions.—Revs. W. J. Robinson, D. H. French, Moses Arnott, and elders John Dean, George Gearn.

Mission to Freedmen.—Revs. W. T. Moffet, J. C. Herron, J. R. Kerr, and elders W. T. Foster and W. D. Henderson.

Church Extension.—Revs. J. P. Robb, Robert Stewart, A. Watson, and elders Andrew Ingles, H. J. Murdoch.

Publication.—Revs. R. H. Pollock, T. J. Wilson, Samuel Kerr, and elders J. Kissick, H. D. M'Call.

Education.—Revs. D. W. Carson, J. N. Dick, Jonathan Stewart, and elders J. Simpson, Joseph M'Campbell.

Systematic Beneficence.—Revs. Dr. Scott, R. A. M'Ayeal, S. C. Ewing, and elders Thomas Fergus, Wm. T. Foster.

Sabbath Schools.—Revs. John Hogg, H. W. Torrence, J. R. Brittain, and elders David Graham, George Stewart.

The Credentials of Rev. Philip Peltz, DD., and Rev. Richard H. Steele, as delegates to this Assembly from the General Synod of the Reformed (Dutch) Church were presented, and referred to the Committee on Correspondence.

A memorial from the Presbytery of Kansas on establishing a Delegate Fund was read and referred to the Committee on Finance.

A Communication in relation to the last will and testament of Mrs. Jemima Cummings was presented, read, and referred to the Committee on Finance.

The Report of the Treasurer of the Board of Education was presented and referred to the Committee on Finance.

The Report of the Board of Education was presented, read and referred to the Committee on said Board.

The Report of the Board of Missions to the Freedmen was presented, read and referred to the Committee on said Board.

The copy of a Charter for the Board of Missions to the Freedmen was presented and referred to Committee on said Board.

The Report of the Board of Publication was presented, read, and referred to Committee on said Board.

A Petition from Mrs. Margaret Jones, widow of the late Professor Abner Jones, in relation to her husband's version of the Book of Psalms, was read and referred to a special Committee on Psalmody

consisting of Revs. R. H. Pollock, A. A. M'Connell, P. Y. Smith, J. P. Scott, and elders E. Stewart and J. Richardson.

A report, signed by the Chairman of the Committee on new versions of the Psalms, was read, and referred to the Committee on Psalmody; also, the reports of the votes of Presbyteries on the second volume of the new version of the Psalms.

The Report of the Committee appointed by the last Assembly on the reorganization of the Board of Foreign Missions was read, and the following resolution appended to said report adopted, namely,—

Resolved, that, in the judgment of this Assembly, it is not desirable that any change should be made in the Constitution of the Board of Foreign Missions.

The Committee on Correspondence presented the following report, which was adopted:—

The Committee on Correspondence would report, that the credentials of Rev. Philip Peltz, D.D., Delegate from the Reformed Church in America, have been presented, and we submit for your adoption the following:—

Resolved, that the hour of 11 o'clock, A.M. to-morrow, be fixed for the reception of the Delegate from the Reformed Church in America. By order of Committee.

J. B. LEE, Chairman.

The reports of the following Presbyteries were read, and referred to the Committee on Narrative and State of Religion; and so much of said reports as relates to Memorials and Overtures was referred to the Committee on Bills and Overtures, namely, Steubenville, Delaware, (also referred to Committee on Finance,) Sidney, Chartiers, Indiana, Des Moines, Mansfield, Conemaugh, Philadelphia, Wisconsin, Cleveland. (A part of this report, relating to the transfer of a congregation from one Synod to another, was referred to the Judicial Committee.) Kansas, Albany, First New York, First Ohio, Michigan, and Monmouth.

The Committee on Devotional Exercises presented the following report, which was adopted, and is as follows:—

Your Committee on Devotional Exercises would recommend the following:—

1. That the time from 8.30 to 9 A.M., be spent in devotion, each Chairman to appoint his successor. Dr. Wm. Davidson to preside to-morrow morning.

2. That prayer and conference occupy each evening from half past seven o'clock, unless the business of the Court imperatively demand the time; and that the Assembly select and announce the subject the morning previous to conference thereon.

The Committee would also suggest, that the subject of Home Mission work and Sabbath Schools occupy at least two evenings.

Supplies for the Pulpit on Sabbath will be reported hereafter.

Assembly adjourned. Closed with prayer by Dr. Gracey.

7½ P.M.

Assembly met. Opened with prayer by the Moderator.

The Assembly, agreeably to previous order, went into a conference on Foreign Missions. The Assembly was addressed by Dr. Dales, the Sec'y of the Board and by Rev. A. Watson, of the Presbytery of Egypt.

Assembly adjourned. After singing, closed with prayer by Rev. James Duncan.

Friday, 9 o'clock, A.M.

Assembly met. Opened with prayer by the Rev. R. A. Hill. Minutes of the last two sessions were read and approved.

Rev. George Mairs, of the Presbytery of Argyle, took his seat as the alternate of the Rev. W. E. Henning.

Resumed the reading of the Reports of Presbyteries.

The following reports were referred to the Committee on Narrative and State of Religion; and also, to the Committee on Bills and Overtures, namely, Western Missouri, Frankfort, Wabash, Rock Island, Wheeling, Keokuk, Bloomington, Xenia, Muskingum, Butler, Westmoreland, St. Lawrence, St. Louis, Minnesota, (also referred to the Committee on Psalmody,) Second Presbytery of New York, Oregon, Cedar Rapids, Argyle, (also referred to the Judicial Committee,) Big Spring, Monongahela, Detroit, Nebraska, Stamford, Allegheny, Missouri, (with a memorial on Theological Seminaries; referred to the Committee on Bills and Overtures, and also a Memorial on the increase of the per diem; referred to the Committee on Finance:) Tennessee, Chicago, Boston, (with a memorial on the marriage of a person to his deceased wife's niece, referred to the Judicial Committee;) Lake, Caledonia, Sealkote, Egypt.

The Committee on Statistical Tables asked instruction as to what should be done with the defective Tables of certain Presbyteries.

Assembly directed that these Tables be returned to the Presbyteries to which they respectively belonged, with a view to their completion.

The order of the day having arrived, the Rev. Philip Peltz, D.D., the delegate from the Reformed Church in America, was introduced to, and addressed the Assembly. His address was responded to by the Moderator.

The Committee on Bills and Overtures, on the Memorial from the Second Synod, respecting a modification of the sixteenth Article of the Testimony, presented a report, which was accepted, and placed on the docket.

So much of the report of the Board of Home Missions as refers to a pastoral letter to be addressed to the churches, was referred to the Committee on Systematic Beneficence.

The Minute Book of the Assembly was referred to the Committee on Revision.

The Assembly agreed that the subject of conference for this evening should be that of Home Missions.

Assembly adjourned. Closed with prayer by the Rev. J. W. Bain.

2 o'clock, P. M.

Assembly met. Opened with prayer by Rev. Samuel Jamison.

Minutes of the last session were read and approved.

Invitations from the Presbytery of Monmouth and the churches in Monmouth, for the Assembly to appoint its next meeting in that place, were read and placed on the docket.

Took up the unfinished business of the last Assembly, namely, the Report of "the Committee on the Curriculum of Study in our Theological Seminaries," referred to this Assembly.

The report was amended and adopted, and also the course of study recommended in the report to the Assembly of 1866. The whole action of the Assembly on this subject is as follows:—

Resolved, 1. That the term of study in our Theological Seminaries shall be three years, and the length of the sessions seven months, commencing on the first Tuesday of September, and terminating on the fourth Thursday of March.

2. That it be recommended to Presbyteries not to license any student until he has completed the entire course.

3. That no student of the United Presbyterian Church shall be received in any of our Seminaries until he has placed himself under the care of some Presbytery, and that after he has been received he shall pursue his studies during the interval between the sessions under the direction of his Presbytery.

4. The course of Study shall be,—

1. The Reading and the Critical Analysis of the Bible in the original Languages, as a regular exercise throughout the whole course.
2. Biblical History and Antiquities.
3. Sacred Geography and Chronology.
4. Ecclesiastical History and Church Government.
5. Systematic, Didactic and Polemic Theology.
6. Sacred Rhetoric.
7. Pastoral Theology.
8. Composition, Delivery of Discourses.
9. Evidences of Christianity.
10. Lectures on Experimental, Practical Religion.

On motion of Rev. R. A. McAyeal, so much of the Report of the Board of Home Missions as refers to the propriety of placing at the disposal of the Executive Committee of the Board a certain amount of money to meet exigencies as they may arise during the current year, was referred to the Committee on Finance.

The consideration of the Report of the Committee on the Board of Foreign Missions was made the order of the day, for Monday, at 2½ o'clock.

The Committee on Devotional Exercises presented an additional report, which was laid upon the table.

The Committee on Correspondence presented a report, which was adopted, and is as follows:—

The Committee on Correspondence would report for your adoption the following:

Whereas, the Associate Reformed Presbyterian Church South is, in many respects closely allied to our Church in history, faith and practice, and

Whereas, It is desirable that a correspondence be opened with the brethren of that Church, and

Whereas, we are assured that a deputation will be heartily welcomed by them ; therefore,

Resolved, That this Assembly appoint a deputation to carry our salutations to the Synod of the Associate Reformed Presbyterian Church, South, to meet in Winnsborough, South Carolina, and invite them to open a correspondence with this Assembly by delegation. By order of Committee. J. B. LEE, Chairman.

The Assembly adjourned. Closed with prayer by Dr. John Scott.

7½ o'clock, P. M.

The Assembly, agreeably to previous order, met in conference on the subject of Home Missions. Opened with prayer by the Rev. W. G. Waddle.

After further devotional exercises, Rev. W. J. Robinson, Chairman of the Committee on the Report of the Board of Home Missions, offered the following paper:—

In view of the vast extent of our country,—in view of the mighty influence which it is destined to exert in the extension of the gospel, and the salvation of men throughout the world,—in view of the dangers which threaten it from the increasing ranks of Romanism, infidelity and ungodliness; and also, in view of the fact, that the Foreign Mission work is necessarily dependent for its success upon that of the Home, therefore,

Resolved, That it is the deliberate judgment and deep-felt conviction

of this Assembly, that the Home Mission work does not occupy that place in the minds, the prayers, and the contributions of the United Presbyterian Church, which its importance claims.

After being discussed at length, the further consideration of the resolution was made the order of the day for Monday evening, at 7½ o'clock.

Assembly adjourned. Closed with prayer by the Rev. W. L. Wallace.

Saturday, 9 o'clock, A. M.

Assembly met. Opened with prayer by Rev. George Mairs.

Minutes of the last two sessions were read and approved.

The Committee on Bills and Overtures, and also the Judicial Committee, asked and obtained leave to retire.

The Committee on the Board of Home Missions reported in part. The report was accepted, and placed on the docket.

A communication from Mr. Joseph K. Rankin, making a donation of \$500, to be applied by the Assembly according to its judgment, was referred to the Committee on Finance.

Rev. R. A. Hill asked to be excused from serving on the Committee on the Board of Foreign Missions. The request was granted, and the Rev. R. A. McAyreal was substituted in his place as Chairman of the Committee.

Took up the report of the Committee on Bills and Overtures on the Memorial of the Second Synod, relative to the modification of the 16th Article of the Testimony. The report was adopted, and is as follows:

On the memorial from the 2d Synod of the West, relative to certain modifications of the 16th article of our Testimony, the Committee on Bills and Overtures report:

It is well known to those who are familiar with the history of the church, that the faith and practice of both churches, previously to the union in which the United Presbyterian Church originated were in accordance with the principles of restricted in opposition to latitudinarian communion. This article did not, therefore, introduce a new principle into the united church, but defined more explicitly than had previously been done, the ground which both parties occupied before the union was formed. And it is well known to those who took an active part in the establishment of the union, that without an article of this kind, that union which gave rise to such hallowed joy, could not have been effected. And now, after this union has been brought about, as the result of much and fervent prayer, and long and laborious efforts, is it wise to endanger the peace of the church, by attempting to effect a change? Does not mutual good faith require that we should abide by the covenant which brought us together?

The memorial desires the Assembly to modify the 16th Article of our Testimony, "so as to concede to sessions the authority of applying the principles of it, as their own discretion may direct."

Your committee are unable to see the necessity for such a modification. This authority sessions already possess. It is supposed that sessions are composed of men of understanding, and that they are acquainted with the principles which they have embraced; and they must of course exercise their discretion in the application of these principles as cases may occur. Sessions, of course, are responsible for the manner in which they exercise this discretion; but the right to exercise it is unquestionable.

The memorial further desires the Assembly to declare that "sessions be not authorized to receive to communion any but such as would be received to permanent membership." To give such a deliverance is surely unnecessary. No such authority is now enjoyed; and we are not aware that any session asks for such authority. If it should come to pass that any session shall ask for such authority, it will then be time enough for the Assembly to say whether it shall be granted.

The 16th Article of our Testimony lays down the general rule on the subject of communion by which the church is to be governed in all ordinary cases. It was

not designed to make provision for cases of an extraordinary nature. When cases of this kind occur, sessions, in the exercise of a wise discretion, must dispose of them as may be for the peace and edification of the church.

Your Committee would therefore recommend the adoption of the following resolution:—

Resolved, That the 16th Article of our Testimony defines, in a manner sufficiently explicit, the general law of the church on the subject of communion, and no modification which would change its character is required at the present time.

All which is respectfully submitted.

JOUN T. PRESSLY, Chairman.

An extended index for the present volume of the Minutes was submitted to the Assembly by the Rev. A. G. Wallace, and by the Assembly referred to the Committee on Statistics.

The Committee on Bills and Overtures, relative to the communication of the Synod of the Reformed Presbyterian Church, on the amendment of the Constitution of the United States, made a report.

The resolutions in the report were adopted, and the preamble recommitted, with a view to its improvement.

The Trustees of the General Assembly made a report, which was referred to the Committee on Finance.

A communication from the clerks of the General Assembly respecting the improvement of the Statistical Tables was presented and referred to the Committee on Statistics.

The Committee on Psalmody made a report, which was accepted, and after a lengthy discussion amended, adopted in part, and then recommitted.

The Assembly adjourned. Closed with prayer by the Rev. D. W. French.

2 o'clock, P. M.

The Assembly met. Opened with prayer by the Rev. J. G. Freeborn. Minutes of the last session were read and approved.

The Committee on Psalmody presented their report, which had been recommitted in the forenoon session. Said report was adopted, and is as follows:—

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON PSALMODY.

The importance of the subject referred to your committee, the preparation of a version of the inspired Psalter meeting the requirements of the age in poetic taste, and yet faithful as a translation of the original text, has been felt and acknowledged by former Assemblies. In the beginning of this work, sanguine hopes were entertained that such a version would be perfected and adopted at an early day. These hopes have not been realized, and the result is, a reaction and a seeming want of interest in the whole subject. Why this apparent want of interest? Your committee do not regard this change of feeling as any indication that the conviction is less deep or less earnest than formerly, touching the importance and the necessity of this work. It is a natural and almost a necessary result of disappointed hopes,—hopes which your committee believe were unreasonable.—The truth is, we failed, at the outset, rightly to estimate the arduous nature of the undertaking, and the time necessary for its successful accomplishment. To suppose that a version of eighty or a hundred psalms could be properly prepared by a committee inexperienced in such work, or, if prepared, carefully and critically examined by Presbyteries, whose members are busily engaged in pastoral work, in a year, showed an utterly inadequate conception of the work.—The first effort of presbyteries convinced them that the time was insufficient.—The action of the assembly required the vote to be returned at an early day, and the votes of delinquent presbyteries could not be counted.—Hence the overture was passed with undue haste and with but little examination. The result is, serious dissatisfaction, on the part of some who voted for them, with many of the versions already adopted, a conviction that they do not meet the demand of the age in point of poetic merit, nor the demand of our principles in faithfulness to the original text. We agree, there-

fore, with the suggestion of the committee on versification, that those already adopted need revision and amendment.

There is also a manifest want of *unity* in the versions adopted. Different Psalms bear distinct marks of a different parentage. This objection is not sufficient in itself to justify their rejection; but it is a defect which ought to be remedied, if possible. Perhaps Providence is opening the way for this in the proposition, referred to your committee, from Mrs. Jones, proposing to sell to this Assembly the copy-right of the version of her late husband. While, in the judgment of your committee, this work is not sufficiently faithful to justify its adoption, yet we regard it, in poetic excellence, before all others which we have seen. It is also the production of a mind and heart which had thoroughly studied the spirit and meaning of the sacred text, and which in many instances brings out the meaning with peculiar force and beauty. If the work is to be prosecuted, we think the Assembly should purchase this copy-right for the use of committees engaged in this work, provided it can be obtained at a reasonable rate.

In regard to the farther prosecution of this work, your committee believe the perfecting of those on hand is the most important business; when this is successfully done, and the church has the evidence before it that it can be done, it will awaken a new interest in the subject. We therefore recommend the adoption of the following resolutions:—

Resolved, 1. That a committee, consisting of Messrs. Isaac M'Gay and H. Harrison, be appointed to negotiate with Mrs. Jones, touching the terms on which this Assembly can obtain the use of the copy-right of the versions of the late Professor Abner Jones, and report to the next Assembly.

2. That Drs. James Harper and A. D. Clark, and Revs. P. Y. Smyth and W. J. Reid, be, and hereby are appointed a committee on revision, to which the versions now adopted shall be referred, for such modifications and amendments as they think needful.

3. That the above committee report the result of their labours to the next Assembly for its action.

4. That Drs. Beveridge, Harper, J. Scott, Davidson, and Revs. J. Clokey and Hugh M'Hatton, constitute the committee on versification.

5. That the versions overtured last year and not adopted, be recommitted to said committee, with instructions to revise carefully twenty versions and present them to the next General Assembly for overture to Presbyteries.

6. That the Board of Publication be directed to complete the work of amending the present version, according to the plan partially executed and approved by the Assembly at Washington, Iowa, in 1865.

7. That Professor Jeffers be appointed a consulting member of each of the above committees. By order of Committee. R. H. POLLOCK, Chairman.

The Judicial Committee presented a report in relation to the Presbytery of Vermont, which, after some discussion, was recommitted with instructions.

The Committee on Revision made a report on the manuscript minute Book of the General Assembly, which was adopted, and is as follows:

The Committee of Revision respectfully report:—We have examined the recorded minutes of the Assembly; and find them to be neatly and beautifully kept. The penmanship and arrangement are such that any portion may be readily found, and most easily read.

Resolved, that the minutes, as recorded, be approved.

SAMUEL JAMISON, J. P. SANKEY, J. L. CLARK.

The Committee on the Board of Education reported that it is their desire that the subject of education in our Colleges and Seminaries be made the subject of Conference, on Tuesday evening at 7½ o'clock. The report was adopted.

The Committee on Sabbath Schools reported that it is their desire that the subject of Sabbath Schools be made the order of the day for Wednesday evening at 7½ o'clock. The report was adopted.

Took up the paper from the Presbytery of Monmouth requesting the Assembly to appoint its next meeting at that place. The request was

granted, and accordingly, the Assembly decided to hold its meeting at Monmouth, at 2 o'clock P.M., on the 4th Wednesday of May, 1869, in the Second Church.

The following resolution was adopted:—

Resolved, That the consideration of the Report of the Committee on the Board of Home Missions be made the order of the day for next Tuesday at 10 o'clock A.M.

The Assembly proceeded to appoint the Financial Agents and superintendents of Missions in the several Presbyteries. The following appointments were made:—

PRESBYTERIES.	FINANCIAL AGENTS.	SUPERINTENDENTS OF MISSIONS.
Albany,	John Templeton,	Rev. S. F. Morrow
Allegheny,	Rev. C. A. Dickey,	Rev. C. A. Dickey
Argyle,	James Thompson,	Rev. D. M. Ure
Big Spring,	Rev. W. L. Wallace,	Rev. W. L. Wallace
Bloomington,	Rev. J. C. Truesdale,	Rev. J. C. Truesdale
Boston,	Alexander Moore,	Rev. J. P. Robb
Butler,	Rev. John Gailey,	Rev. J. N. Dick
Caledonia,	Rev. W. J. Robinson,	Rev. W. S. McLaren
Cedar Rapids,	Rev. D. M. Gordon,	Rev. J. G. Freeborn
Chartiers,	Rev. J. R. Johnson,	Rev. J. G. Carson
Chicago,	Rev. Wm. T. Moffet,	Rev. Wm. T. Moffet
Chillicothe,	Rev. D. MacDill,	Rev. D. MacDill
Cleveland,	Rev. D. Goodwillie,	Rev. George K Ormond
Conemaugh,	Rev. Wm. Fulton,	Rev. D. W. Collins
Delaware,	Rev. J. B. Lee,	Rev. J. B. Lee
Des Moines,	Rev. D. F. Bonner,	Rev. D. F. Bonner
Detroit,	Rev. D. H. Goodwillie,	Rev. D. H. Goodwillie
Egypt,	David Strang,	
Frankfort,	Rev. J. G. Rankin,	Rev. J. L. Purdy
Indiana,	Nathaniel Patton,	Rev. J. R. Walker
Kansas,	Alexander McGahey,	Rev. J. N. Smith
Keokuk,	Rev. A. Conner,	Rev. W. H. Wilson
Lake,	Rev. H. P. Jackson,	Rev. J. B. Waddle
Le Clare,	Rev. W. D. Raiston,	Rev. G. W. Torrance
Mansfield,	Rev. W. M. Gibson,	Rev. R. H. Pollock
Mercer,	J. R. Hanna,	Rev. J. R. Miller
Michigan,	Rev. J. M. Buchanan,	Rev. T. J. Wilson
Minnesota,	Rev. D. F. Reid,	Rev. D. F. Reid
Monmouth,	Rev. J. M. Henderson,	Rev. W. J. M. Surely
Monongahela,	Rev. W. J. Reid,	Rev. T. H. Hanna
Muskingum,	Rev. W. H. M-Farland,	Rev. J. C. Murch
Nebraska,	Rev. D. C. Wilson,	Rev. D. C. Wilson
1st New York,	Henry Harrison,	Rev. Robert Armstrong
2nd New York,	Rev. D. J. Patterson,	Rev. J. S. M-Cullough
1st Ohio,	Wm. E. Brown,	Rev. J. Y. Scouller
Oregon,	Dr. G. W. Gray,	Rev. S. G. Irvine
Philadelphia,	William Getty,	Rev. W. W. Barr
Princeton,	Rev. Alex. M-Hatton,	Rev. Alexander M Hatton
Rock Island,	Charles Caldwell,	Rev. J. A. Reynolds
Sealkote,	Rev. James S. Barr,	
Sidney,	Rev. S. Wallace,	Rev. B. Waddle
Stamford,	Rev. John Gillespie,	Rev. Robert Acheson,
Steubenville,	Rev. Joseph Andrews,	Rev. J. W. Martin
St. Lawrence,	Rev. J. Harper,	Rev. C. Webster
St. Louis,	A. M. Aller,	Rev. J. F. Stewart
Tennessee,	Samuel Carpenter,	Rev. A. B. Coleman
Vermont,	Hugh H. Miller,	
Wabash,	Hugh Dickey,	Rev. J. H. Tedford
Westmoreland,	Rev. J. S. Speer,	Rev. James Kelso
Western Missouri,	Rev. S. Jamison,	Rev. S. Jamison
Wheeling,	Rev. J. T. M-Clure,	Rev. W. T. Meloy
White River,	Rev. William Turner,	Rev. William Turner
Wisconsin,	C. K. M-Enchrou,	Rev. J. H. Niblock
Xenia,	J. B. Caruthers,	Rev. W. A. Robb

Mr. M'AYEAL asked to be released from serving on the Committee on the Board of Foreign Missions. The request was granted.

The Assembly adjourned, to meet on Monday, at 9 o'clock A.M. Closed with prayer by the Rev. Andrew Gordon.

Monday, 9 o'clock A.M.

Assembly met. Opened with prayer by the Moderator. The minutes of the last session were read and approved.

The Committee on the Board of Church Extension asked and obtained leave to retire.

The Delegates appointed by the last General Assembly to the Presbyterian Church in Canada, presented the following paper, and the conduct of the delegates was approved by the Assembly.

To the Moderator and other members of the General Assembly of the United Presbyterian Church of North America, to meet in Argyle, May 27th, 1868.

The undersigned, who were appointed at last meeting of Assembly delegates to the Synod of the Canada Presbyterian Church, beg leave to report —

That owing to some detention in the transmission of the necessary credentials, arising not from any delay on the part of the clerk of Assembly, but solely from the arrangements of the post-office, it was impossible for us to attend last year to the duty assigned to us. Finding, moreover, that this year we could not, without serious inconvenience, proceed to Montreal, where the Synod is to meet, and supposing that a written communication might in a good degree accomplish the object contemplated by the Assembly, we have prepared and forwarded a letter to the Synod of the Canada Presbyterian Church, in which, after furnishing a brief sketch of the history and operations of our church, we express the hope that they will enter into friendly correspondence with us either by letter or personal delegations.

Respectfully submitted,

JAMES HARPER,
W. J. ROBINSON.

May 14th, 1868.

A statement concerning a bequest of Miss Sarah Allen was presented and referred by the Assembly to the Committee on Finance.

The Report of the Presbytery of White River was read and referred to the Committee on the Narrative and the Committee on Bills and Overtures. The Statistical Table of the same Presbytery was presented and referred to the Committee on Statistics.

The Committee on Bills and Overtures, to which had been re-committed the report on the communication from the Synod of the Reformed Presbyterian Church on an amendment to the National Constitution, presented their report, which was adopted, and is as follows:—

On the communication from the General Synod of the Reformed Presbyterian Church, with regard to the amendment of the National Constitution, the Committee on Bills and Overtures would submit the following report:—

Nations, as well as individuals, are accountable to the supreme Ruler of the universe, and are bound to acknowledge Him to whom they are indebted for their existence and for all the blessings which they enjoy. And a nation favoured with the light of divine revelation, is thereby brought under special obligations to pay homage to the divine authority. We take pleasure in saying, that our National Constitution, viewed as a political document, is worthy of all praise. As an exhibition of the rights of man and the great principles of civil government, it commands the admiration of the civilized world. And yet it must be admitted, that in so far as its religious character is concerned, it is defective. Though it is not to be supposed that the constitution of a nation is any thing like a Confession of Faith, yet in such an instrument there should be something indicative of the religious character of that nation.

But must we not admit, that from our national Constitution it could scarcely be known what God we, as a Christian nation, worship, since it contains no explicit and formal acknowledgment of any God? The name of God is not found in that document; nor does it contain a distinct recognition of his existence.

Have we not reason to fear, that the dishonour which we have thus cast upon the

God of the whole earth, is one special reason why God has been displeased with us, and has therefore visited us with severe national judgments? And is it not time that we should amend our ways by removing this cause of the divine displeasure, and by supplying this serious defect in our otherwise excellent constitution? Let no one be alarmed by the apprehension that our ultimate aim contemplates any thing like a union between church and state. Such a union we would deprecate. Moreover, in the present divided state of the church, such a result could not take place. For should it be proposed to establish a union between the state and any particular church, all other churches would rise up in opposition to it, and render it impossible.

Having, then, no sectarian object in view, and aiming at nothing like a union between church and state, but desiring to give to our National Constitution a character worthy of a Christian nation, we hail with pleasure that movement which has originated the "National Association for the Amendment of the National Constitution." And as an expression of our interest in this subject, we would recommend the adoption of the following resolutions:—

1. *Resolved*, that we cordially sympathize with that movement which has for its object such an amendment of our National Constitution, that it shall contain a distinct recognition of the true God; an acknowledgment of Jesus Christ as the Ruler of the nations; and the supreme authority of the sacred Scriptures.

2. *Resolved*, that we recommend to all the members of the United Presbyterian Church to co-operate in all proper efforts to secure the accomplishment of the desirable object.

JOHN T. PRESSLY, *Chairman*.

The Committee on Bills and Overtures made a report on communications relative to the union of Presbyterian Churches. The report was accepted, and unanimously adopted. It is as follows:—

The Committee on Bills and Overtures report as follows on the communication addressed to this Assembly by the Committee of the National Presbyterian Union Convention held at Philadelphia, Nov. 6th, 1867:—

That the organic union of all the true followers of Christ is desirable, is a truth which will admit of no dispute; and that such a union might more easily be effected among the different branches of the Presbyterian family than between them and churches organized under different systems of government, would also seem probable. Such a union, that we could all walk by the same rule and mind the same thing, would be one of the most gratifying events, and would greatly contribute to advance the cause of Christ.

This Assembly cannot but feel a deep interest in any measures which would accomplish so desirable an event as the healing of the breaches in Zion; but all Christians must agree in this, that these breaches should not be healed slightly. It would be far better to remain separate, doing our work in conformity to our convictions of truth and duty, than to unite with conflicting views, and so come together for strife and division, instead of promoting the cause of truth and peace. It is much more important to be united in one faith than in one name. In order that there may be a clear and mutual understanding of the views of the different churches represented, and that difficulties may be removed out of the way, there should be a free interchange of sentiment upon points where there is a real or supposed difference. This Assembly, therefore, while gratified with some things in what has been called the Philadelphia Basis, feels constrained to say, in conformity to the views reported by many of our Presbyteries, that it would not be satisfactory as a basis of union. Nevertheless, it is agreed, that according to the proposal of that convention, five delegates shall be appointed to meet with a like number appointed by the other churches.

These delegates are instructed to co-operate with the other delegates in a spirit of conciliation and brotherly affection, and to endeavour to obtain such terms of union as will not involve any relinquishment of the principles of our profession. In particular, they will insist upon an unqualified adherence to the Westminster Confession of Faith, the Larger and Shorter Catechisms, and will not compromise those principles for the maintaining of which we have hitherto deemed it necessary to continue a distinct organization.

JOHN T. PRESSLY, *Chairman*.

A committee was appointed to nominate to the Assembly persons to be appointed as members of the Committee contemplated in the foregoing report of the Committee on the subject of union.

At the suggestion of the Rev. Dr. Gracey, the Rev. Dr. J. T.

Pressly was called upon by the Moderator, to lead the Assembly in thanksgiving to God, for the harmony which he had vouchsafed to the Assembly in this and other important matters. Dr. Pressly accordingly led the Assembly in thanksgiving.

The Assembly then arose and sang the 126th Psalm.

The Committee on Finance made a report, which was accepted and placed on the docket.

The Committee on Church Extension made a report, which was accepted and placed on the docket.

The Assembly changed the order of the day for the consideration of the subject of Sabbath schools, from Wednesday, 7½ P. M., to this evening, at 7½.

Took up the report of the Committee on Finance. The report was discussed, amended and adopted, and is as follows:—

The Committee on Finance would report on the several papers referred to it, as follows:—

I. The reports of the Treasurers of the several Boards. These reports have been prepared with great care. Most of them have been examined by an Auditing Committee of their respective Boards, and the certificate of said Committee attached. This has saved us much labor, and is worthy of commendation. Those not thus certified, have been examined, and compared with the accompanying vouchers, and found to be correct. The amount of funds collected from all sources, during the year closing May 1st, 1868, is \$159,975.45. This is nearly \$10,000 more than was raised during the previous year. The following table will show the amount on hand, at the beginning and end of the last year; the amount collected and the amount disbursed by each of our Boards:—

Names of Funds.	Bal. on hand, May 1, 1867.	Totals received during year.	Totals Dis. dur- ing year.	Bal. on hand, May 1, 1868.
Foreign Missions,	\$4,557.97	\$71,699.76	\$68,053.49	\$8,204.24
Home Missions,	156.00	29,978.72	30,131.71	3.01
Freedmen's Missions,	718.53	14,412.21	14,079.79	1,050.95
San Francisco Building Fund,		4,345.70	4,143.00	162.45*
General Assembly Fund,	596.56	784.48	1,346.57	34.47
Church Extension,	1,116.49	3,207.37	3,847.54	476.54
Education Fund,		6,656.31	5,674.85	981.46
Publication Fund,	2,228.03	23,336.09	23,684.36	1,880.56
Bible Fund,	164.16	4,169.09	4,112.47	220.70
Superan'ed Min. Fund,	2,377.90	1,385.72	2,500.00	1,263.62
Total,	\$11,916.44	\$159,975.45	\$157,573.78	\$14,278.00

We recommend the adoption of the following resolutions:—

Resolved, 1. That the accounts of the various Treasurers be approved and placed on file.

Resolved, 2. That the hearty thanks of this Assembly be and hereby are tendered to the several Treasurers, for the gratuitous labor they have rendered, and the care they have manifested in preparing their reports.

II. The bequest of Mrs. Jemima Cummings. With reference to this bequest, we recommend the following action:—

Resolved, 1. That Mr. Andrew Beveridge, Treasurer of Chicago Presbytery, be and hereby is appointed the agent of this Assembly, and to receive the moneys and property mentioned in this bequest, or the secure necessary receipt of the Trustees of the Assembly.

Resolved, 2. That the Executor, Jas. H. Beveridge, be and hereby is, invested with power to sell, and is directed to sell the house bequeathed to the Board of Foreign Missions, and hand over the proceeds to the said Andrew Beveridge.

III. The San Francisco Building Fund. The Assembly, one year ago, appropriated \$10,000 in gold, for the purpose of aiding in the erection of a church building in that city, making it a special fund, and appointing Rev. J. T. Cooper, D. D., the agent for this fund. From the report of the agent, it appears that \$1,000, in currency, has been forwarded to that congregation, for this purpose. There is in the hands of the agent \$162.45. It is very important that the whole of this amount be raised and forwarded to that congregation, at the earliest practicable date. We would recommend the adoption of the following:—

* This report extends to "May 27." J. T. COOPER,

Resolved, 1. That Rev. J. T. Cooper, D. D., be continued the agent of this Assembly, to receive and collect moneys for this fund, and that individuals and congregations be urged to forward their contributions to him at the earliest practicable date.

Resolved, 2. That inasmuch as it may be impracticable for the agent to visit many localities, which would no doubt contribute to this fund, he be, and hereby is, authorized to appoint such assistants as he may deem best.

IV. Two Presbyteries, namely, Mercer and Delaware, memorialize the Assembly, to raise the "per diem" of Missionaries in the Home work, from twelve to fifteen dollars. Your Committee think it would be unwise to grant these memorials. It would raise the compensation of supplies labouring in our vacancies, so that it would be greater than that received by many pastors, and, it is feared, might have a tendency, in some cases to hinder settlements. Such a result should certainly be guarded against by this Assembly. We would therefore recommend the adoption of the following:—

Resolved, That the memorials be not granted.

V. Delegates' Fund. The Presbytery of Kansas memorialize the Assembly "to institute a delegates' fund for the whole Church." Such an arrangement, if it could be carried out, would be very desirable. Justice would indicate that there should be a general fund, so that the more central and stronger Presbyteries might help the weaker ones on the frontier. But previous experience, we think, shows, that when the Assembly had this fund in charge, less was secured to meet the expenses of the delegates, than is secured by the present system, of each Presbytery providing for the expenses of its own delegates. Therefore,

Resolved, That it would be unwise, at present, to make any charge in this particular.

VI. With reference to the suggestion of the Board of Home Missions, that the Assembly leave in the hands of the Executive Committee of the Board, a certain sum, for discretionary purposes, referred to this Committee, we recommend the following:—

Resolved, That the sum of \$3,000 be left at the discretion of the Executive Committee to be appropriated, as far as necessary, to meet exigencies that may arise during the year.

VII. With reference to the donation of \$500, made by Joseph K. Rankin, to this Assembly, to be used "in advancing the Redeemer's cause," we recommend the adoption of the following:—

WHEREAS, The donor has desired the Assembly to use this sum, where it may be most needed, and

WHEREAS, Our Home Missionary Board is now in more pressing need than any of the other Boards, therefore

Resolved, 1. That the above donation of \$500 be paid into the Home Missionary fund.

Resolved, 2. That the hearty thanks of this Assembly be tendered to the donor, for his liberal gift.

VIII. The Executor of the estate of Miss Sarah Allen, deceased, desires to transfer to the General Assembly of the United Presbyterian Church, certain moneys, to be employed in the support of its Missionary operations. Therefore,

Resolved, 1. That the Rev. W. G. Waddle be, and hereby is, constituted the agent of this Assembly, to receive such moneys, and give the proper receipts and secure necessary the receipt of the Trustees of the Assembly.

Resolved, 2. That the amount, whatever it may be, be divided equally between the Home, Foreign and Freedmen's Missionary Boards.

IX. The Report of the Board of Trustees of the Assembly. We find nothing in this report demanding the attention of the Assembly, except that the term of office of R. Gracey, C. Arbuthnot, and Thomas McCance, expires at this meeting. We recommend the adoption of the following:

Resolved, 1. That the action of the Board be approved.

Resolved, 2. That they be instructed to still continue their efforts to collect the McVean legacy of \$15,000.

Resolved, 3. That R. Gracey, C. Arbuthnot, and Thos. McCance, whose term of office expires July 1st, 1868, be, and hereby are, re-elected Trustees of the General Assembly.

X. Orders to be granted. We here recommend the adoption of the following—

Resolved, 1. That the Clerk of the General Assembly, be directed to issue orders on the Treasurer of the Assembly as follows, namely, for the amount of his own salary and travelling and incidental expenses;—for thirty dollars (\$30) as salary of assistant Clerk;—for fifteen dollars and fifty cents, in favor of Jas. M. Ferguson, for printing congregational blanks;—three dollars and fifty cents in favor of W. S. Young, for printing blanks for Assembly;—for twenty dollars, in favor of the sexton of the

United Presbyterian congregation of Argyle, for services rendered during the sessions of the Assembly.

Resolved, 2. That the Clerk and Assistant Clerk be appointed a Committee to superintend the printing of the Minutes of this General Assembly, and that \$100 be appropriated as a compensation for their labours.

MARION MORRISON, Chairman.

Additional Report of the Committee of Finance:—

The Committee on Finance would present the following report, on the memorial from the Mount Vernon congregation:—

The trustees of said congregation petition this General Assembly to transfer the title of their church property to them, in trust for the congregation, in order that they may make certain repairs upon their church building. From an abstract taken from the deed, which is as follows: "To have and to hold the same to them, the said James Hoss, John Lynn and John Robertson, as trustees as aforesaid, and to their successors in office forever, for the use of the aforesaid Associate Reformed Presbyterian congregation of Mount Vernon, in Knox Co., in the State of Ohio, under the care of the Associate Reformed Presbytery of Mansfield, subordinate to the Associate Reformed Church in North America, for religious uses, and to no other use or behalf whatever." it would seem that the said trustees have already as full a title to said property as they can desire, in order to use it for the benefit of said congregation. No action of this Assembly would give them a better one, if intended simply for that use.

We would therefore recommend the adoption of the following:—

[*Resolved*, That no action on the part of this Assembly is necessary.

By order of the Committee,
MARION MORRISON, Chairman.

Took up the report of the Committee on the Board of Church Extension.

On motion of the Rev. R. A. M'AYeal, the report was referred to a Committee, whose business it shall be to take into consideration the propriety of consolidating certain Boards of the Church.

The Assembly appointed the following persons as members of this Committee.

Revs. Wm. Davidson, D. D., J. T. Pressly, D. D., M. Morrison, W. J. Robinson, J. P. Robb, W. T. Moffet, R. A. M'AYeal, D. W. French, J. R. Slentz, and Messrs. John Alexander, John Harper and Thomas Fergus.

The consideration of the report of the Committee on consolidation was made the order of the day for to-morrow, at 2½ P.M.

The Committee appointed by the last Assembly to report on the appointment of a General Treasurer and Financial Agent for all the Boards of the Church, was continued, with instructions to report at the next Assembly.

Assembly adjourned. Closed with prayer by Rev. Mr. Kennedy.

2 o'clock, P.M.

Assembly met. Opened with prayer by Rev. Dr. Wilson.

Rev. Dr. J. B. Clark, as Commissioner to the General Assembly of the Presbyterian Church, (O.S.) made the following report; and the conduct of the Commissioner was approved of by the Assembly.

To the General Assembly convened in Argyle, N.Y.

I have the honour to report, that on May 28th, 1868, I fulfilled the appointment given me by the last General Assembly, as commissioner to the Presbyterian (O. S.) General Assembly, convened at Albany, N. Y.,—that I was received in the most cordial manner, and assured of the Christian regard of that body for your Assembly, and it was requested, that I should convey to you an expression of their fraternal feelings and Christian salutations.

Respectfully submitted.

JOHN B. CLARK, *Commissioner*.

A petition from the Congregation of Mount Vernon was read. The petition was referred to the Committee on Finance.

The Committee on the Consolidation of the Boards of the Church asked and obtained leave to retire.

The following persons were appointed a Committee to nominate persons to constitute the Committee contemplated in the report of the Committee on Bills and Overtures, on the subject of union:—

Revs. D. S. Kennedy, A. G. Shafer, W. L. Wallace, Robert Armstrong, Moses Arnott, P. H. Drennen, Alexander Story.

The Judicial Committee, to which had been recommitted the report in relation to the transfer of the Vermont Presbytery, presented their report, which was accepted and adopted, and is as follows:—

On the paper referred to the Judicial Committee from the Presbytery of Argyle, we present the following report:—

Whereas it appears that the Presbytery of Vermont, in consequence of inability to act in the case of some of the congregations under its care, which desire to obtain the settlement of pastors over them as early as practicable, have requested the Presbytery of Argyle to assume the charge of said congregations until the meeting of the Synod of New York, and give to them such attention as their importance and wants may require. Therefore,

Resolved, That the Presbytery of Argyle be authorized to accede to the request of the Presbytery of Vermont.

Resolved, That the statistics of such congregations as may be affected by this arrangement, be added to the table of the Presbytery of Argyle.

R. GRACEY, Chairman.

Proceeded to the order of the day, namely, the consideration of the report of the Committee on the Board of Foreign Missions. The Committee presented their report, which was read, accepted and adopted, and is as follows:—

The Committee on the Board of Foreign Missions would report, that they have examined, as carefully as possible, the several items presented in the report, and recommend the adoption of the following resolutions:

1. That our earnest and united thanks are due to Almighty God for his wonderful kindness to our missionaries during the past year, and for the cheering evidence of the Holy Spirit resting upon their labours.

2. That in the death of Mrs. Amanda Beggs, wife of Rev. J. C. Nevin, we are called to mourn the departure of one of our most active and earnest missionaries. And whilst her memory is embalmed in the heart of the church which she represented, we would most tenderly sympathize with her bereaved companion, and most affectionately commend him to that God who, in substance, says, Leave thy *motherless* children with Me, I will preserve them alive; and let thy widowed heart trust in Me.

3. That the special thanks of the General Assembly are most cheerfully given to the several persons and societies, both in our own and foreign countries, that have so generously contributed of their funds and their services to the help of the great mission work under our care.

4. That this Assembly would most earnestly recommend to parents and pastors, and to the Superintendents and teachers of our Sabbath schools, to keep the cause of missions clearly before the youth of our entire church, and in the use of the most effectual means endeavour to enlist their sympathies and efforts in behalf of the same.

5. That the Board be authorized to send out a missionary and one female teacher, for the mission in India, at the earliest moment that the funds in the Treasury will allow it.

6. That the sum of \$90,000, currency, is, in the judgment of this As-

sembly, the very lowest estimate that can be safely made in order to carry forward successfully the Foreign Mission work for the coming year.

7. That in all ordinary cases the Board be directed to pay our foreign missionaries at the rate of half salary in gold, while necessarily absent from their field of labor.

8. That in view of the comparatively short life of American missionaries in heathen countries, and the frequent necessity of returning home to recruit their strength; and in view of the length of time and the great labor necessary to acquire the use of the difficult languages of most heathen countries; and in view of the great disadvantage which a foreigner must always experience in commanding the *popular mind* of any people when he has to address them as a foreigner; and in view of the vastly greater expense of sustaining the work by exporting the laborers at such disadvantages, and at such great distances from the bases of supply and management; we recommend to our Board, that the idea should be constantly kept in view, that the present system of conducting Foreign Missions should be regarded as introductory to the more permanent and efficient system by which the work will be mainly carried forward by native teachers and missionaries, from home sources of support.—Therefore we recommend to the Board to give special attention to the raising up of native teachers and ministers, and thus laying deeply and broadly such foundations as may secure efficient native laborers, and in due time make the respective institutions self-sustaining.

9. That the Revs. F. Church, W. W. Barr and J. T. Cooper, D D., whose terms of office expire at this meeting, be re-elected; and that Rev. W. C. Jackson and Mr. John Alexander be appointed to fill the places of Rev. T. H. Hanna and Mr. J. M. Wallace, resigned.

10 That in order to prevent loss in the future, from want of attention in the matter of bequests, all our church papers are requested to present a standing insertion of the form of bequest, already approved by the General Assembly.

All which is respectfully submitted.

JAMES DUNCAN, *Chairman.*

The Committee on Bills and Overtures presented a report on the overtures relating to the use of instrumental music in the worship of God, and the Secretaryship of the Board of Home Missions. The report in relation to these two overtures was accepted and adopted, and is as follows:—

The Committee on Bills and Overtures would respectfully present the following, on the several overtures submitted by the last General Assembly:

I. On retaining the Article on Instrumental Music in the Directory for Worship now in overture, the reports of forty Presbyteries give the following vote:—

Whole number of votes cast, 542. For retaining the article, 385: against retaining the article, 157. It thus appears there is a decided majority in favour of retaining the article in the Directory. Therefore, *Resolved*, That the Article on Instrumental Music, now in overture, be, and hereby is approved and adopted.

II. On the propriety of employing and directing the Secretary of the Board of Home Missions to devote all his time to the work of his office, the following vote is reported by thirty-four Presbyteries:—Whole number of votes given, 454. Number for employing a permanent Secretary, 124: number against, 330. There is thus a decided majority against employing and directing the Secretary to devote all his time to his office.

JOHN T. PRESSLY, *Chairman.*

The Committee on Sabbath Schools made a report, which was placed on the docket.

The Committee on the Board of Publication asked and obtained leave to retire.

Took up the report of the Committee on Sabbath Schools. The

report was accepted, and the resolutions adopted. The whole report is as follows:—

Your Committee feel it impossible, in the brief report they are necessitated to make, to do any adequate justice to so important and comprehensive a subject as the Sabbath School. Viewed in its past achievements and in its prospective triumphs, this still youthful institution must take the precedence of every other philanthropic appliance, suggested by the benevolence of man.

Of late years, the eyes, not only of the religious, but also of the political world have been turned hopefully toward the Sabbath School. In the youth of the land rests the church's hope, and the hope of the state. The interests of both, imperatively demand such early religious training, as, by the divine blessing, will secure to the rising generations a higher degree of moral and religious development than that attained by their fathers. All the branches of the Christian church are now fully alive to the vital importance of, at the earliest possible moment, influencing the youthful mind in favour of truth and holiness. To accomplish this inevitable duty at the bidding of the church, and influenced by love to Jesus, ten thousand devoted followers of the Lamb have voluntarily consecrated their time and energies. May God reward them for their self-denying labours of love.

While aiding Christian parents in the religious instruction of their children, the Sabbath School, fulfilling its true mission, reaches forth still further the arms of Christian mercy, and brings under its benign influences thousands of our youth, who, destitute of home religious influences, must otherwise grow up ignorant of the relation they sustain to God, and virtually heathen in a Christian land. Wisely, hopefully, and thus far successfully, has the Church expended her energies.

But who does not see, that on the Sabbath School, in a very great measure, rests the destinies of our country? Perhaps no other land on the face of the earth, demands the vigorous operation of this institution so much as our own. Where, if not in the Sabbath School, is the majority of the rising generation, to receive the moral training, without which our free institutions must crumble and fall? With a system of public education, admirable in many respects, but almost, if not entirely divorced from any reference to man, as a moral and religious being, how is this alarming defect to be remedied, and its evil tendencies neutralized? The Sabbath School solves the problem. It constitutes the great public school of morals. In numberless instances, the only moral training ever received, has been within its walls; and we do not deem it too much to affirm, that to the religious training imparted to millions of Sabbath School children in this land, we owe, and by the divine blessing will continue to owe, the permanency and stability of our free institutions.

The Sabbath School, therefore, should command the earnest attention of the Christian and the patriot. The lover of God, the lover of his country, and the lover of humanity, should do all within their power to advance the interests of this great and good work. We praise God for what is being done, and can conceive of no more hopeful sign of the times than the vast energies expended in working out the sabbath school's benevolent mission.

So far as the operations of our own church can be ascertained from the statistical tables before the Assembly, the sabbath school work is evidently in a healthy and vigorous condition. Scarcely a congregation is without its sabbath school. Nearly five thousand teachers are actively engaged in the work; and over forty thousand scholars sit under their instructions, learning the way of eternal life.

In order to secure increased efficiency in the operations of the sabbath school, your Committee present the following resolutions for adoption:

1st. That we express our hearty approval of the great work of sabbath school instruction, and our deep conviction of the incalculable good resulting from the self-denying labours of sabbath school teachers, and others devoted to the public religious instruction of the young.

2d. That we acknowledge, with devout thanksgiving, the signal blessing with which God is crowning the efforts of his labourers, in the multitudes of youth brought under the influence of the gospel, and in the spirit of energetic devotion, in which the sabbath school work is at present carried on.

3d. That as the children of the sabbath school constitute a most important part of the church, and should, therefore, be under the special care of its overseers, we deem it in the highest degree essential that, whenever practicable, the members of sessions should be labourers in the sabbath school, and in their official capacity maintain such a faithful and wholesome supervision over it, that it cannot fail to become a powerful auxiliary in building up the cause of the Redeemer.

4th. That, being profoundly sensible of the solemn responsibilities connected with the religious education of the young, we strongly disapprove of the intro-

duction into our sabbath schools of any practices, relating especially to the matter of divine praise, contrary to the expressed principles of our church; believing it to be the only safe and scriptural course to train up a child in the way he should go, and so doing, endeavour to preserve between the sabbath school {and the sanctuary the unity of the Spirit in the bond of peace.

5th. That as many of the books and papers now in use in our sabbath schools are calculated to engender a distaste for the word of God, we earnestly recommend to superintendents and teachers the greatest care in the selection of sabbath school literature, and the use, as far as practicable, of the publications of our own church.

6th. That the Presbyteries of our church be, and hereby are, recommended to give increased attention to the sabbath school work; to secure more complete statistical reports of sabbath school operations; and, when practicable, hold occasional conferences on the subject, by which means we may hope to awaken an increased interest, and bring every available energy into operation, so that this garden of the Lord may be zealously and perseveringly cultured, and become the nursery of the church.

7th. In order to secure more prominent attention to this vast and vital interest of the church, your Committee further recommend, if found practicable, that the statistical tabular sheet be so altered, as to devote five columns to the sabbath school instead of two; these columns to be filled up as follows: 1st, No. of schools; 2d, No. of officers and teachers; 3d, No. of scholars; 4th, No. of books in library; 5th, Am't collected. All which is respectfully submitted.

By order of Committee.

JOHN HOGG, Chairman.

Assembly adjourned. Closed with prayer by the Rev. J. H. Andrew.

7½ o'clock.

Assembly met. Opened with prayer by the Rev. Dr. Wishart. Minutes of the last two sessions were read and approved.

Proceeded to the order of the day, namely, the consideration of the subject of Sabbath Schools.

The Assembly, after remarks from several members, closed the Conference.

The following statement was presented to the Assembly, and the Committee appointed by the last Assembly was continued.

The undersigned, members of a Committee appointed by last Assembly, to report to the present Assembly, on a memorial from the Presbytery of Philadelphia, touching the subject of Secret Societies, would respectfully communicate the following information to the Assembly, viz.,—

No meeting of the Committee has been held. The Chairman, by letter, called a meeting of the Committee, to be held in Argyle, Washington County, N. Y., on June 26, 1868, and the subscribers, at some inconvenience, attended at the time and place specified in the call, but no other member of the Committee made his appearance. As it was understood that the Chairman, Rev. J. C. Bigham, had prepared a report, the undersigned did not deem it necessary to prepare one beforehand. Hence, as the chairman has not forwarded any report, and as the undersigned have not had time to draw up one since the Assembly met, and as one drawn up by them could hardly be deemed a report of the Committee, it is hoped the Assembly will either appoint a Special Committee to report at the present meeting, or else continue the Committee, with instructions to report at the next meeting of the Assembly.

JAMES HARPER,
J. T. COOPER.

Assembly adjourned. Closed with prayer by the Rev. John Hogg, and singing by the Assembly of Psalm xlv. 16, 17.

Tuesday, 9 o'clock, A. M.

Assembly met. Opened with prayer by the Moderator. Minutes of the last session were read and approved.

The Statistics of the Presbytery of Butler were presented and referred to the Committee on Statistics.

A communication from the Rev. Dr. R. D. Harper, resigning his position as Secretary of the Board of Home Missions, was read and placed on the docket.

The Committee on Correspondence presented the following report, which was adopted:—

The Committee on Correspondence would report for your adoption the following:
Resolved, That the hour of 11 o'clock, this forenoon, be fixed for receiving and hearing the Rev. A. B. Lambert, D.D., Delegate to this Assembly from the General Assembly Presbyterian Church, (N. S.)

By order of the Committee.

J. B. LEE, Chairman.

The Committee on Statistics presented a report, which was read and placed on the docket.

The Committee on the Board of Home Missions asked and obtained leave to retire.

The Committee on Bills and Overtures asked and obtained leave to retire.

The Committee on Systematic Beneficence asked and obtained leave to retire.

The Committee to nominate a Committee on the subject of union presented a report, which was placed on the docket.

The following resolution, offered by Mr. James Orr, was adopted:—

Resolved, That a committee be appointed to inquire into the propriety of making provision for the support of indigent widows of deceased ministers of the United Presbyterian Church.

The members of the Committee are Messrs. William Getty, James M'Candless, John Dean, Charles Arbuthnot, and Henry Harrison.

The following resolution, offered by Rev. J. M. Hutchison, was adopted:—

Whereas the treasurer of the Assembly announces that the Assembly's Fund is overdrawn, therefore,—

Resolved, That the Assembly recommend that congregations take up collections for this object at an early day."

The Committee on the Consolidation of the Boards presented a report, which was placed on the docket.

Proceeded to the order of the day, namely, the consideration of the Report of the Committee on the Board of Home Missions.

The Report of the Committee was read.

Pending the consideration of this Report the order of the day arrived, namely, the reception of the Rev. A. B. Lambert, D.D., Commissioner from the General Assembly of the Presbyterian Church, met at Harrisburg. Dr. Lambert was introduced to and addressed the Assembly, and was responded to by the Moderator.

Resumed the order of the day, namely, the consideration of the Report of the Committee on the Board of Home Missions.

A resolution in said report nominating an Executive Committee of the Board of Home Missions, was laid upon the table until the Assembly should act upon the Report of the Committee on Consolidation.

The Committee on Bills and Overtures presented a Report on the Directory of Worship. The Report was placed on the docket.

The following resolution, offered by Revs. Dr. Beveridge and J. P. Scott, was adopted:—

Resolved, That a Committee of five be appointed, to which shall be referred the versions of Psalms in the second volume prepared by the Committee, with instructions to select out of those having a majority over fifty such as appear to be least liable to objection, and report the same to this Assembly, with a view to their being adopted as authorized to be used in the worship of God.

The Committee on Correspondence made the following report, which was adopted:—

The Committee on Correspondence would report, that the Credentials of Rev. John Douglas, D.D., to this Assembly, from the General Synod of the Reformed Presbyterian Church have been presented, and we ask you to adopt the following:

Resolved, That the hour of 4 o'clock, this afternoon, be fixed for introducing and hearing Rev. Dr. Douglas, the delegate from the General Synod of the Reformed Presbyterian Church.

Assembly adjourned. Closed with prayer by Rev. W. J. Robinson.

2 o'clock P.M.

The Assembly met. Opened with prayer by the Rev. J. R. Slentz. The minutes of the last session were approved.

The Committee on the Narrative asked and obtained leave to retire.

The Commissioner to the General Assembly of the Presbyterian Church, (N. S.) presented the following statement, and the conduct of the Commissioner was approved by the Assembly.

To the General Assembly of the United Presbyterian Church of North America, now in session in this place, I beg leave respectfully to report, that in accordance with the appointment of the last Assembly I went as a delegate to the General Assembly of the Presbyterian Church, (N.S.) now in session in Harrisburgh, Pa., and on Friday, the 22d ult., had the honour of expressing to that court the fraternal regards and Christian salutations of this Assembly.

I was received with great courtesy, and the Moderator requested me to convey to you their cordial greetings, with the assurance of their high regard and pleasure in this fraternal intercourse.

Yours in the Gospel.

JOHN S. EASTON.

Argyle, June 1, 1868.

A Memorial from a Convention on the subject of union, held in Indiana was read and referred to the Committee on Bills and Overtures.

The Judicial Committee presented the following report on the reference from the Presbytery of Boston, which was adopted.

"Is it agreeable to the word of God and the standards of the United Presbyterian Church, for a man to marry his deceased wife's niece?" To this question your committee would return a negative reply; as we believe it is condemned alike by the word of God and the standards of the church. Before proceeding to the proof, we ask attention to the following general principles:—

1. The law of marriage, by which every thing connected with this relation is to be regulated, is to be sought for in the scriptures, particularly in the book of Leviticus. If not found there, where are we to look for it? Apart from the word of God, human laws are without binding force. The law therefore laid down in the 18th chapter of Leviticus must be regarded as the statute law of Heaven on the subject of marriage. This will account for the peculiar solemnity with which it is introduced:—"Speak unto the children of Israel, and say unto them, I am the Lord your God."

2. The sexes are to be regarded as convertible. The law of marriage places the man and the woman on the same footing, so that what is proper for the one to do is proper for the other in like circumstances, and what is improper for one to do is also improper for the other. The permissions and prohibitions of the law apply equally to both. This applies to every thing moral, as well as to the subject under consideration. Admit this, and you admit the general principle that the sexes are convertible.

3. As regards the law of marriage, affinity and consanguinity are held to be equivalent. Hence, the doctrine of the Confession, ch. xxiv, sect. 4, "The man may not marry any of his wife's kindred nearer in blood than he may of his own; nor the woman of her husband's kindred nearer in blood than of her own." In the case of married persons, the relations of each are alike to both, of the same degree. To the husband, the relations of his wife are the same as his own of the same degree, so far as marriage is concerned, his wife's mother, sister or niece, are the same as his own mother sister or niece; to the wife her husband's father, brother or nephew are the same as her own father, brother or nephew, as far as marriage is concerned. This, however, is true only of the parties themselves united in marriage, and not of them as respects their mutual relations. The relations of each are the same to the other, but these respective relations are not the same to one another, that is, the brother of the husband is the brother of the wife; the sister of the wife is the sister of the husband; but these parties are not therefore brother and sister. The basis of this affinity will be found in the marriage relation, and is recognised in the words of institution, Gen. ii. 24: "Therefore shall a man leave his father and his mother and shall cleave to his wife; and *they shall be one flesh.*" Mark x. 7, 8: "For this cause shall a man leave his father and mother and cleave unto his wife; and they twain shall be one flesh: so then they are no more twain, but one flesh." The peculiar identity constituted by marriage, is such as to give rise to an identity as it respects the relations of both. It is, therefore, of the gravest importance that this identity be recognised and respected.

4. The prohibited degrees all take their rise out of one circumstance, namely, nearness of kin; married persons are *one flesh*, and, if so, nearness of kin cannot be affected by questions of affinity or consanguinity. In both cases the law of prohibition is *nearness of kin*. The grand law on this subject is found, Leviticus xviii. 6: "None of you shall approach to any that is *near of kin* to him, to uncover their nakedness: I am the Lord." This verse may be regarded as the enacting *clause* of the statute, and contains a great principle, by which all the succeeding clauses are to be explained.

With these general principles before us we proceed to the proof of the position taken at the outset of this report.

In proof of this, see Leviticus xviii. 14: "Thou shalt not uncover the nakedness of thy father's brother; thou shalt not approach to his wife: she is thine aunt." See also Leviticus xviii. 17: "Thou shalt not uncover the nakedness of a woman and her daughter, neither shalt thou take her son's daughter or her daughter's daughter, to uncover her nakedness; for they are near kinswomen: it is wickedness." Here marriage is forbidden with a wife's granddaughter, (the daughter of that wife's son or daughter by a former marriage,) that is, the man's grand step-daughter. In the 14th verse the prohibition applies to an aunt-in-law and a nephew of the same degree of relationship. In both these cases of prohibition the relationship is by affinity, and not by consanguinity. And here we would call attention to this remarkable fact, already alluded to, that of the seventeen instances of prohibited degrees which occur in this chapter, (Leviticus xviii.,) eleven are cases of affinity, while only six are cases of consanguinity; thus settling the general law which we have laid down, that affinity and consanguinity are equivalent, and hence the correctness of the principle or rule laid down in our standards. If, then, a nephew-in-law be forbidden to marry his aunt-in-law, by parity of reasoning, an uncle-in-law is prohibited from marrying his niece-in-law. Therefore,—

Resolved, that the foregoing question,—Is it agreeable to the word of God and the standards of the United Presbyterian Church for a man to marry his deceased wife's niece?—be answered in the negative. And if this relationship be unlawful, who can justify the marriage of a man with the sister of a deceased wife?

R. GRACEY, Chairman.

The Committee on Narrative and state of Religion presented a report, which was adopted, and is as follows:—

The Committee on "the Narrative and State of Religion," beg leave respectfully to present the following REPORT:—

We find the reports of Presbyteries to be generally exceedingly meager and defective; so much so, that it is impossible to gather from them material sufficient to enable us to present a report such as the Assembly wishes and is entitled to expect.

According to these reports, during the past year there has been the dissolution of three congregations, and one has been dropped from the roll of its Presbytery. Sixteen new organizations and stations have been established. There have been fifty-

four dissolutions of the pastoral relation, or more than one-tenth of all the pastorates in the Church; and sixty-eight installations have taken place. Eight licensures are reported, and twenty-five ordinations. We are reported to have lost eleven ministers by a transfer to other denominations, one by suspension, and five by death,—seventeen in all, and to have received three from other denominations, in addition to those we have licensed and ordained; and in the bounds of the whole Church only *nineteen* students of theology are reported; and, according to these reports, but one church edifice has been erected in the entire Church during the year. Sabbath-schools, prayer meetings, and attendance upon word and ordinances are spoken of generally in an encouraging and hopeful way, and the general moral and religious condition of the outlying populations is referred to in general terms; but the reports, generally, contain no statistics, no facts, no specific statements from which any precise or definite conclusions can be gathered on a single one of the specified topics. We can only gather, (and we are unspeakably thankful for so much,) that our congregations are generally in a peaceful condition, that most of them have had encouraging tokens of God's gracious presence with them, that our pastors for the most part are whole-hearted, cheerful and hopeful, and that the great body of both pastors and people are steadfast in the faith, increasingly filled with a spirit of charity and zeal for the up-building of the Redeemer's kingdom, and that they are actively and constantly doing what they can to effect it.

From the reports before us your Committee can go no further. We cannot recommend the adoption of any measures calculated to guard our people against any errors or sins or foes which may exist in any particular quarter, for the reason that we are not informed on these topics. Nor can we suggest to the Assembly a recommendation to the Presbyteries of any line of new policy to be adopted, or any improvement on present modes of operation, for the reason, that we have no definite information of the state of things within their respective bounds.

Moreover, the statistics, as contained in these reports, are not only defective, but calculated, in almost every particular, to convey a grievously false impression. For example, who believes that the whole Church has *only nineteen* students of theology under its care at the present time? And who does not know that we have erected more than *one* church edifice during the past year?

Either let this Assembly abolish these reports altogether, or let it take measures to secure a more complete system of reporting.

We, therefore, recommend for adoption the following resolution:—

Resolved, That the Clerk of the Assembly be directed to prepare a printed blank "Formula of report on narrative and state of religion," embodying the topics to which allusion has been made above, together with such others as may be thought desirable; and forward two blanks to the Clerk of each Presbytery; one of which the Presbytery shall be required to fill and return to the Assembly at its annual meeting.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

By order of the COMMITTEE.

The following persons were appointed as the committee contemplated in the resolution relative to the selection of new versions of the Psalms; namely, Revs. Dr. Beveridge, J. P. Scott, Dr. Wishart, D. W. French, and Mr. John M'Nab.

Took up the order of the day, namely, the consideration of the Report of the Committee on the Consolidation of the Boards of the Church.

After a lengthy discussion and the adoption of the first part of the Report, the farther consideration of the Report was made the order of the day for to-morrow at 9½ o'clock.

The order of the day having arrived, namely, the reception of the delegate from the General Synod of the Reformed Presbyterian Church, the Rev. Dr. Douglas, was introduced to and addressed the Assembly.

While addressing the Assembly, the delegate presented the following paper:—

Whereas it appears from the report made by the Clerk of Synod that three of the Presbyterian bodies invited to prayer and conference in regard to the terms of union and communion among the various churches of the Presbyterian family, respectfully declined the invitation,—And whereas, the basis adopted by those assembled in convention is not satisfactory to this Synod, inasmuch as on those points on which it was held the chief obstacles to union lie, ground was taken in

opposition to the positions held by this church,—And whereas the Philadelphia basis is presented as the ultimatum, from the principles of which no departure is to be taken,—Therefore, Resolved, that this Synod does not consider it expedient at this time, to appoint the committee asked for by the Philadelphia Convention, to follow up an organic union in this direction.

Resolved, That a committee of six, consisting of three ministers and three ruling elders, be appointed to confer with any similar committee or committees that may be appointed by other churches, whose doctrine, order and *worship* correspond with our own, and agree, if possible, upon such terms as may secure the organic union of the respective bodies.

Resolved, That the United Presbyterian Assembly and the Reformed Presbyterian Synod be informed of this action, and respectfully invited to appoint similar committees.

Pittsburgh, May 29, 1868.

JOHN N. McLEOD, Stated Clerk.

The address of the delegate was responded to by the Moderator.

The paper presented by the delegate was referred to the Committee on Bills and Overtures.

The following resolution, offered by the Revs. R. H. Pollock and S. Patterson, was adopted:—

Resolved, That the Committee on the Board of Education be and hereby are instructed to report to the conference to be held for the consideration of the subject of education this evening.

The Committee on Devotional Exercises made the following report, which was adopted, and is as follows:—

The Committee on Devotional Exercises would report, as the last item of business that comes before them, as follows:—

Resolved, That Rev. James Brown, D.D., be the Moderator's alternate to preach the opening sermon at the next General Assembly. J. W. BAIN, Chairman.

The Committee on the Board of Missions to the Freedmen made a report, which was adopted, and is as follows:—

The Committee on the Board of Missions to the Freedmen would recommend the adoption of the following resolutions:—

1. That we express our thankfulness to God for the uninterrupted success of this mission; and further, that we express our undiminished confidence in the Board, and commend the efficiency and economy which have characterized the operations of this Board.

2. That we place at the disposal of the Board \$13,200, to carry on the work for the current year in stations now occupied, as follows:—Vicksburg, \$3,500; Nashville, \$6,500; Knoxville, \$2,200; Leavenworth, for missionary, \$1,000.

3. That we place at the disposal of the Board the sum of \$1,000, to meet the indebtedness of the past year.

4. That \$200 be appropriated to Johnsonville, to assist in the support of J. R. Riley, if in the judgment of the Board it be advisable.

5. That the charter obtained from the legislature of Pennsylvania be, and is hereby accepted and adopted by this Assembly.

6. That the Revs. W. J. Reid, S. B. Reed, and A. Calhoun, whose term of office has expired, be re-elected. All of which is respectfully submitted.

W. T. MOFFET, *Ch. Com.*

The Committee on Revision made the following report, which was adopted, and is as follows:—

The committee on revision report:—Having examined the minutes of the first Synod, we find them to be carefully and handsomely kept.

Resolved, 1. That they be approved.

Resolved, 2. That as the other Synods under the care of the Assembly have failed to pre-ent their minutes, they be directed to have them forwarded to the next Assembly.

S. JAMISON, J. P. SANKEY, J. L. CLARK.

The Committee on the Board of Publication made a report, which was adopted, and is as follows:—

The Board of Publication presents to the Assembly a report showing the most gratifying results from its labours the past year. Its work is one of great importance to the church, especially its efforts to supply the youth with a suitable Sabbath school literature. The books published by the Board in this department are of the highest character,—well calculated to entertain, and at the same time instruct the youth in the great saving doctrines of the gospel of Jesus Christ. Second only in importance to this, is a faithful denominational literature,—publications which will present a full, clear and candid exhibition of those principles for the maintenance of which the United Presbyterian Church preserves her separate existence. The Assembly should encourage the efforts which the Board is making in these respects.

The style of the publications of the Board is such as is creditable to the Board and to the church which it represents.

The Board asks for instructions in regard to publishing the Confession of Faith without the Scripture proofs, and the Testimony without the argument and illustrations. This your committee think is unnecessary, and would be unwise. The tendency of the age is to hasty and superficial investigation, which should not be encouraged. Putting the Confession of Faith into the hands of the people without the Scripture proofs is like giving the soldier but the handle of a sword. Besides, the book containing the entire standards of the church is comparatively small, and in point of price within the reach of the masses of the church.

While the Board is accomplishing so important a work, we are sorry to report that the church has extended to it but a very feeble support. The importance of this work is not felt by the church. Your committee recommend the following resolutions:—

1. That the sum of \$6,000 be appropriated to this Board, and that the congregations be urged to promptly contribute each their portion of this amount.

2. That the Board be directed to issue an edition of the standards of the church, including the Book of Discipline and Directory for Worship, and the Rules of Business.

3. That it be encouraged to prosecute with as much energy as possible the good in which it is engaged of supplying the youth of the church with a suitable religious literature.

4. That in the judgment of this Assembly, it is not judicious to publish the Confession of Faith without the Scripture proof, or the Testimony without the argument and illustration. By order of Committee, R. H. POLLOCK, *Chairman*.

It was agreed, that the Assembly close its sittings to-morrow at 3, P. M.

The Committee on Systematic Beneficence reported a letter to the church.

Pending the discussion of a motion to adopt, the Assembly agreed to extend this session one half hour.

The report was adopted, and is as follows:—

Dear Brethren of the United Presbyterian Church:—We appeal to you on behalf of the Home Mission work of our church, and ask from you the funds necessary to carry it on. During the past year, the Board to which is intrusted the superintendence of this work, has been exceedingly embarrassed for want of these necessary means. The work has been retarded: feeble congregations not receiving the aid from the church which they had been led to expect, have been discouraged, and those employed as missionaries in the home work, have, with their families, in some instances, actually suffered.

Brethren, these things ought not so to be. These things, we are persuaded, will no longer be, if you are only made aware of your duty in the matter.—Are we not addressing an intelligent Christian people, well aware that it is the duty of the church to extend herself,—that Zion ought to “lengthen her cords and strengthen her stakes, and break forth on the right hand and on the left?” How is the church to do this, but by the preaching of the gospel? And surely this makes it necessary to send forth *preachers* of the gospel, and to sustain them in the work, for who goeth a warfare at any time at his own charges? And if it be the duty of the church to sustain them in the work, does not that make it *your* duty, brethren,

ren, as members of the church? You will not, you cannot deny, brethren, that it is the duty of the members of the church to sustain her in all her legitimate operations. But surely you will not think of limiting her operations to maintaining ordinances in her own congregations. Is it not the great business of the church to gather sinners out of the world to Christ? Does not this imply missionary work? For she is not to wait till sinners come to her, she is by her preachers to go to them, she is to send her messengers to the streets and lanes of the city, even to the highways and hedges, and compel them to come in, that God's house may be filled. This work, including both home and foreign mission work, is certainly included in the church's legitimate operations. The church is organized to do that work just as much as to carry on the pastoral work in congregations. Is it not then, brethren, just as much your duty to contribute of your means to carry it on, as to sustain pastors in your own congregations? We trust that you have not lost sight of this duty. Why then has there been such a failure the past year? Why do our home missionaries remain unpaid, and why have their families been pinched with lack of bread, which the Board having the oversight of their work could not supply?

Have you come to look upon the work as a failure, and therefore consider it a waste of money, to contribute to carry it on any longer? If so, surely you have not examined the annual reports of the Board of Home Missions; for if you had, you would see that, from year to year, congregations have been gathered, and weak ones strengthened and gradually made self-sustaining.

Do you refer us to points where our missionaries have not succeeded in erecting congregations? There are such points, but is this any thing more than what should have been expected? Are not partial failures to be looked for in all enterprises where men are employed as instruments? And certainly, you have no right to make success, at every point, the condition of your liberality.

It may even be admitted that money and labour have been unwisely expended at some points. What then? Do men never err? These mistakes can be corrected, and greater caution used in time to come. And you are mistaken, brethren, if you suppose that the money and the labour have all been wasted at those points where we have failed to gather congregations. During the years in which your missionaries have laboured at those points, has not the word been preached and have not sinners been saved by means of the word? Yes, there is good reason to believe that many have thus been saved. But we had not organized congregations at those points, and the result has been, that the ranks of other denominations have been recruited by the labour of your missionaries. But what then? Souls have been saved. And will you, brethren, grudge the money which conduced to this blessed result, merely because they did not swell the numbers of our own denomination? Bear in mind, brethren, that the number of members and congregations added to the United Presbyterian Church, is no true test of the amount of good done through our home missionary operations. The great day alone will reveal how much good has been done in this way.

After all, brethren, have we a right to make success the criterion by which our duty is to be determined? Is not the command imperative on the church, "Go ye into all the world, and preach the gospel unto every creature?" Is it not her part to obey faithfully the command,—to furnish the needful means, to perform the needful labour, to pray earnestly for success, and to leave the result with God?

Still, as we have shown you, the work has been in a good degree successful in times past, and we trust that it will be much more so in time to come. And certain it is, that if the noble vine, the United Presbyterian Church, is to take root and fill the land, if the hills are to be covered with the shadow of it, and the boughs thereof to be like the goodly cedars, this will come to pass by means of her home missionary operations. Only give us the means of sustaining these, and with a devoted ministry, and a praying people, such results will be sure to follow; but withhold these means, without which men of flesh and blood cannot perform the needful labour, and soon you will see the vine withered at the rebuke of his countenance.

The agitated state of the United Presbyterian Church, the past two years, in consequence of controversies concerning her distinctive principles, has been assigned as a reason for the failure of Home Mission contributions. It has been feared by many, that the funds would fall into the hands of men hostile to our principles, and who were seeking to weaken the attachment of our people to them. Admitting that there was some ground for such fear, the vast majority of our home missionaries are above such suspicion. Would you then, brethren, by with-

holding your money, make the innocent suffer with those you esteem guilty? What is a dollar or two out of your pockets, if it *should go* into other hands than those whom you would wish to receive it, in comparison of the great evil of crippling the church? Is the church, or her principles, in danger? Add not to the danger, precipitate not her downfall, by withholding the means without which she cannot do the work of the church. Wait patiently the issue of existing controversy;—enable the church, in the mean time, to do all her work, and, by the blessing of God, all will be well.—And even now, brethren, we are able to congratulate you, that the principles of our profession, as contained in our standard books, have been vindicated by the action of this General Assembly, and in this action all parties acquiesce.

We have thus, brethren, laid your duty before you, and endeavoured to remove objections to the discharge of it. Will you not respond? Will you not relieve us from our present embarrassments, and give us ample means to carry on the church's noble home missionary work? Think, we beseech you, of a perplexed Board,—an empty treasury,—missionaries in debt and in want, missionary stations crying out for the bread of life, while we cannot supply them. Think on these things, and in the name of Christian sympathy, will you refuse to respond? Finally, in the great Master's name, we call on you, Christian brethren, to come to our aid in this emergency.

By order of the Committee.

JOHN SCOTT, Chairman.

The Special Committee appointed to select Psalms made a report, which was adopted, and is as follows:—

The Committee appointed to select Psalms from those in the second volume, having a majority of more than fifty, respectfully report, the following for adoption:

Psalms 2d, L. M.—14th, L. M.—17th, C. M. H.—18th, L. M.—21st, L. M.—22d, L. M.—39th, L. M.—39th, S. M.—48th, S. M.—51st, 7s.—55th, S. M.—70th, 11s, and 8s.—82d, C. M.—89th, L. M.—100th, 8s.

We also recommend, that the 87th, 7s., though it lacks five of having the required majority, be adopted.

Respectfully submitted.

T. BEVERIDGE, Chairman.

In answer to an inquiry relative to the publication of the several Foreign Missionary reports, it was decided that they be not published with the Minutes.

The Committee on the Reduction of Fares made a report, which was laid upon the table until the Assembly shall appoint a committee to prepare the roll of the next Assembly.

The Assembly then appointed said committee, which consists of Revs. R. B. Ewing, Dr. Young and J. M. Henderson.

Took up the Report of the Committee on the Reduction of Fares. The Report was amended and adopted, and is as follows:—

The committee appointed by the last Assembly, to procure a reduction of railroad fare to the delegates to this Assembly, beg leave to make the following report:

The Chicago, Burlington and Quincy, St. Louis, Jacksonville and Chicago, Pittsburgh and Columbus, (*alias* Pan Handle,) and the Pennsylvania Central Railroad, will pass all delegates who have paid full fare to the meeting of the Assembly at this place. The Rensselaer and Saratoga Railroad will pass clerical delegates (not lay delegates, or elders,) whose names have been reported to the Agent at Fort Edward.

Dr. Gracey has charge of the tickets of the Pennsylvania Central Railroad.

From the above small list the Assembly will perceive that but a very few of the officers of the railroads have been pleased to grant the desire of your committee.

We regret to report we have done so little to relieve the delegates returning from the Assembly. That more may be done for those who may be members of the next Assembly, we respectfully ask the Assembly to appoint the following persons a committee on reduction of railroad fare, namely: James McCandless, Pittsburgh; Wm. Getty, Philadelphia; Henry Harrison, New York; Samuel Templeton, Albany; Alex. Moore, Boston; Nicol Mitchell, Detroit; J. M. Wallace, Chicago; John Fleming, Xenia; S. E. Rankin, Des Moines; E. W. Morrison, St. Louis; J. F. Gowdy, Bloomington, Ills.; Wm. Becket, Hamilton, O.; McDowell, Leavenworth City; Thos. Johnston, Monmouth, Ill., to be chairman of the committee.

The committee would respectfully request the Committee on Credentials be directed to give a list of the names of the delegates to the chairman of this committee at an early day after appointment, that the committee may prosecute this work more systematically and more vigorously than your committee have been able to do.

Members of the Assembly, who desire certificates from the officers of this Assembly, can procure them from Rev. A. G. Wallace, Assistant Clerk of the Assembly, on application to him.

These certificates may be of much advantage to both clerical and lay delegates whose homes are in the West.

Respectfully submitted,

By Order of the Committee.

THOS. JOHNSON, *Chairman*,

Argyle, N. Y., June 2, 1868.

Assembly adjourned. Closed with prayer by Rev. James M^cArthur.

7½ o'clock, P. M.

Assembly met. Opened with prayer by the Rev. J. H. Peacock. The minutes of the last session were read and approved.

The statistical table of the Presbytery of Le Claire was presented and referred to the Committee on Statistics.

Proceeded to the order of the day, namely, a conference on the subject of Education.

The Committee on the Board of Education presented their report. The report was laid upon the table, until after the close of the Conference.

Rev. R. A. Browne, D. D., President of Westminster College, and Rev. Samuel Collins, Assistant Superintendent of the Board of Publication, addressed the Assembly by invitation.

The Assembly agreed to close the Conference.

Took up the report of the Committee on the Board of Education.

The report was amended and adopted, and is as follows:—

The Committee on the report of the Board of Education respectfully submit the following report:—

The work assigned to this Board is certainly one of great importance to the church. To cherish and diffuse an educational spirit,—to bring the education of youth under the influence and control of the church, and make it subservient to the interests of religion,—and to induce young men of promise and piety to devote themselves to the ministry, and aid them in coming forward to that work, are objects worthy of the earnest attention and efforts of the church. The work of this Board is to aim at the accomplishment of these objects by aiding in the establishment of academies, colleges and seminaries under the care and control of the church, and by assisting indigent students who have the ministry in view in their efforts to obtain an education. For want of sufficient means, the Board of Education has not yet been able to extend its operations beyond this latter branch of its work. The last Assembly authorized the Board to pay \$2,000 to each of the two colleges, Westminster and Monmouth; but as the contributions to the funds of this Board amounted to little over one half the appropriation granted by the Assembly, the Board of course could not carry into effect the Assembly's order in favour of these colleges. The colleges desire that this order shall be continued, and propose that, in addition to giving the beneficiaries of the Board all college privileges free of tuition charges, as they did the past year, their agents shall act as agents also for the Board of Education. The President of Westminster College has brought to the attention of your committee the important fact, also, that a measure is now pending in the state of Pennsylvania under the auspices of the Superintendent of common Schools for the recognition, and, under certain conditions, the aid of colleges in that state. Should this measure become a law, of which there is a reasonable prospect, the annual appropriation of \$2000 by the Assembly will place Westminster in a condition in which it will probably receive state aid amounting to \$3000 annually.

Your committee would ask the earnest attention of the Assembly to the claims of these colleges upon the sympathy and support of the church. While the church is very properly putting forth her energies to the utmost in the work of missions,

let us not forget how largely she is indebted to the educational institutions under her care for a supply of the labourers necessary to occupy the field at home and abroad. These institutions, by increasing educational facilities, and by bringing the work of education under religious influence, must contribute directly and largely to the efficiency of the church in every department of her work.

Is it wise?—can we afford to allow these institutions, for want of a little timely aid, to languish and thus leave our educational interests to fall into the hands of those who care nothing for religion, or of institutions under the control of other branches of the church? We recommend for adoption the following resolutions:—

1. That the sum of \$10,000 is hereby appropriated to this Board as the least amount necessary to carry on advantageously its operations for the coming year, and the Board is hereby authorized to pay out of this amount \$2000 to each of the two colleges, Westminster and Monmouth.

2. That John E. Irvine, Esq., and Rev. R. B. Ewing be elected members of this Board to fill the places of Mr. Nash, deceased, and Mr. Bradford, resigned, and that Rev. John Scott, D.D., D. Turnbull and Thomas Johnston be and hereby are re-elected members of the Board. By order of the Committee.

D. W. CARSON.

The Assembly adjourned to meet to-morrow at 8 o'clock. Closed with prayer by the Rev. H. W. Torrence, and singing by the Assembly of Psalm cxix. 9–12.

Wednesday, 8 o'clock, A.M.

Assembly met. Opened with prayer by the Moderator. The Minutes of the last session were read and approved.

The Committee on Bills and Overtures on the communication from the General Synod of the Reformed Presbyterian Church, on the subject of union, reported. The report was adopted, and is as follows:—

On the communication addressed to this General Assembly by the General Synod of the Reformed Presbyterian Church, the Committee on Bills and Overtures report the two following resolutions:—

Resolved, That we hail with much pleasure the proposal of the General Synod of the Reformed Presbyterian Church, to appoint committees to meet and confer together, with a view to effect a union between the two churches.

2. *Resolved*, That be appointed a committee to meet with a similar Committee of the Reformed Presbyterian Church; and that a meeting be held on the thirtieth day of June next, in the First United Presbyterian Church, Pittsburg. All which is respectfully submitted. JOHN T. PRESSLY, Chairman.

The following persons were appointed the Committee: Revs. Drs. J. T. Pressly, J. T. Cooper and John S. Easton, and Messrs. Thomas M'Cance, Wm. Hall and John Alexander.

The Committee on Correspondence reported the following resolution, which was adopted:

Resolved, That the hour of 11½ o'clock this forenoon, be fixed for hearing Mr. Robert Carter, a member of the committee appointed by the Union Convention at Philadelphia.

The Committee on Statistics presented a report, which was placed on the docket.

Took up the entire report of the Committee on Statistics. The report was adopted, and is as follows:—

The Committee on Statistical Tables would make the following report:—

Reports have been placed in our hands from all the Presbyteries but two, namely, Princeton and Vermont. Some of them have been prepared with much care, and are full and complete; others are very incomplete, and but very imperfectly present the condition of their congregations. At great labour we have prepared all these sheets for the press, and made out, as far as possible, the tables of general summaries. In view of the importance of obtaining full and correct statistics, your Committee would recommend for your adoption the following resolution:—

Resolved, That the Clerks of the General Assembly be directed to have printed on

the back of the blank for congregational statistics, instructions to pastors or clerks of sessions, and on the back of the blank for Presbyterian statistics, rules and instructions to Clerks of Presbyteries, in accordance with the forms herewith submitted:—

REFERENCES. — I. INDEX TO THE MINUTES.

Your Committee has examined the Index submitted to them with as much care as possible. The need of such an Index to each volume has been felt by every one who has had occasion to make frequent reference to the minutes. This Index has been prepared with great labour and care, and is so full as to amount to a digest, which will add greatly to the value of the minutes. It is known that the minutes are printed in volumes embracing five years. The minutes of the present meeting will close Vol. II. The Index before us is for the first four years, all of Vol. II., excepting the minutes of the present meeting. We offer the following resolutions:—

1. That the Index submitted, be completed for this year, and published with the minutes of this Assembly.

2. That hereafter a full Index of each number of the minutes be prepared on the same plan by the Clerks of the Assembly and appended, and a general Index at the close of each volume.

3. That the Assistant Clerk, who has submitted this Index, be directed to complete it so as to embrace the minutes of this Assembly, and that, in view of the labour involved and the time occupied in its preparation, the sum of \$25 be, and hereby is, appropriated for his compensation.

II. REVISED BLANKS.

In reference to the improved forms of blanks for congregational and Presbyterian reports, submitted to us, your Committee would respectfully report, that, by the proposed changes, the statistics will be much more full and complete. But, inasmuch as it is impossible for us, in the hurry of daily duties, to give attention to the perfecting of these forms, we recommend for your adoption the following resolution:—

1. *Resolved*, That the Clerks of this Assembly be authorized to revise the blanks for congregational and Presbyterian reports, and to have them prepared and forwarded to Clerks of Presbyteries in season for next year's reports.

2. That they be directed, if at all practicable, to insert in the blanks the additional columns recommended by the Committee on Sabbath-schools.

RECOMMENDATIONS.

I. In order to render the minutes still more complete, we recommend the following:—

Resolved, That a list of new organizations made during the year, and an alphabetical list of licentiates with the Presbytery to which they belong, be appended to the minutes of this and future Assemblies.

II. In view of the importance of the statistical part of the annual minutes of the Assembly, and the great amount of labour involved in securing full and correct reports, your Committee would respectfully recommend for your adoption the following resolution:—

Resolved, That, instead of the assistant clerk, who is elected annually and serves only during the sessions of the Assembly, a second permanent clerk be elected for the same term of office with the principal clerk, who, in addition to his duties during the Assembly, shall have special charge of statistics, shall take measures to secure full and correct reports from all the Presbyteries; shall prepare the tables for the press, and report to the Assembly all Presbyteries which fail to send full and accurate statistics.

Resolved, That in view of this increased labour, the salary of the second clerk shall be \$45 per annum and travelling expenses.

All of which is respectfully submitted. J. R. MILLER, Chairman.

Rev. A. G. Wallace was appointed to serve for four years, as second clerk.

Took up the resignation of the Rev. Dr. R. D. Harper, as Corresponding Secretary of the Board of Home Missions, which is as follows:—

To the General Assembly of the United Presbyterian Church.

Dear Brethren:—It is doubtless known to most of you, that I have accepted an appointment from General Howard, as Superintendent of Education for the state of Alabama. I would, therefore, respectfully tender to you my resignation of the Secretary of the Board of Home Missions.

Permit me to express my gratitude to the church for the honour conferred on me, in the position which I have been called to fill for the past nine years. When I remember the progress which the United Presbyterian Church has made in these past years, in this great home field, I cannot but hope that I have done some good in this department of Christian effort. For the uniform kindness of my brethren and the confidence which they have reposed in me, I shall ever be grateful. That the work of superintending the interests of this department may be committed to abler hands, and that it may prosper a thousand fold more than it ever has done, is the prayer of
 Your obedient servant, R. D. HARPER.

The resignation of Dr. Harper was accepted.

The Committee to fill the blank in the report of the Committee on Bills and Overtures on the subject of union, made the following report, which was adopted.

The Committee to make nominations to fill the blank in the report of the Committee on Bills and Overtures on the subject of union, would report that having taken into consideration the momentous interests and solemn responsibilities contemplated in the organization and constitution of a Committee of negotiation with other churches on the subject of union, they do hereby, unanimously nominate for your consideration and approval the following persons, namely, Rev. John T. Pressly, D.D.; Rev. James Harper, D.D.; Rev. William Davidson, D.D.; Rev. Alexander Young, D.D.; Rev. David R. Kerr, D.D. And your Committee do hereby recommend that these names be used to fill the blank in the report of the Committee on Bills and Overtures on the subject of Union.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

By order of the Committee.

D. S. KENNEDY, Chairman.

Took up the report of the Committee on Bills and Overtures on the Directory of Worship. After a lengthy discussion, both parts of the report on this subject were adopted, and the Directory of Worship, on motion of Rev. S. Taggart, was declared by the Assembly to be constitutionally adopted.

Report of the Committee on Bills and Overtures on the Reports on the Overture of the Directory for Worship.

We respectfully report, that in the Overture of the Directory for worship twenty-five Presbyteries have reported. The whole vote reported, 237. For adopting the Overture, 229. Against the Directory, 58. Majority for the Directory, 171. A number of Presbyteries propose amendments to the book. We have considered these, and respectfully recommend a number for adoption by the Assembly.
 JOHN T. PRESSLY, Chairman.

The amendments recommended above are the following:—

Report of the Committee of Bills and Overtures on proposed amendments to the Directory for Worship. Chapter II. Sect. 1, for Gospel, read, present. Chapter II. Sect. 2, near the end, read, and except when engaged in works of necessity and mercy. Chapter II. Sect. 3, for, or state, read, or recommended by the state. Chapter II. Article 6, Sect. 8, at the end, Read, concluded with thanksgiving and praise. Chapter III. Sect. 1, read, "The ordinances which God hath instituted in his word, are prayer and thanksgiving in the name of Christ, the reading, preaching, and hearing of the word, the administration and receiving of the sacraments, church government and discipline, the ministry, and maintenance thereof, religious fasting, swearing by the name of God, and vowing unto him." [Larger Catechism, Question 108.] The sacramental ordinances are baptism and the Lord's supper. Chapter III. Article 3, Sect. 2, near the end, strike out the words, at least once every Sabbath. Chapter III. Article 4, Sect. 3, near the middle, for, the most conducive, read, eminently conducive. Chapter III. Article 5, Sect. 4, introduce the Formula of Questions, to which there is reference. Chapter III. Article 5, Sect. 5, Question 1st, read, Do you now take God as your God in covenant, and the God of your seed? Chap. IV. Sect. 1, add to the section, at the beginning, when circumstances will admit. Chapter IV. Sect. 4, for, at least once a month, read, frequently. Chapter VI. Sect. 1, omit the middle sentence: "When habitual and earnest, it is clear and satisfactory proof of conversion." Chapter VI. Sect. 2, at the end, For, and prayer, read, prayer and praise. Chapter VII. Sect. 2, near the end, after Providence, read, civil rulers recommend, or ecclesiastical rulers appoint the observance of such days. Chapter VII. Article 1, Sect. 3, at

the end, strike out, set apart, and insert, appointed by the church, or recommended by the civil magistrate. Chapter VII. Article 1, Sect. 2, line 1st, read, food should be abstained from, or taken sparingly. Chapter VII. Article 3, Sect. 1, strike out the last sentence, before engaging in covenanting, etc. Chapter VIII. Article 1, Sect. 1, middle sentence, read, The session have the general control of the school, etc., strike out the whole sentence. Chapter VIII. Article 1, Sect. 5, for, should hold once a month, read, should hold frequent meetings. Chapter VIII. Article 4, Sect. 2, read, the word of God requires all to give cheerfully, etc. Chapter VIII. Article 5, Section 1, near the end, after Lord, read, and it is becoming to have the marriage solemnized, etc. Chapter VIII. Article 7, Sect. 4, strike out the section.

JOHN T. PRESSLY, Chairman.

Proceeded to the order of the day, namely, the consideration of the report of the Committee on the Consolidation of the Boards.

The second part of the report, proposing a reorganization of the Board of Home Missions, was referred to the next Assembly. The other parts were adopted. The whole report is as follows:—

The Committee appointed to report on the Consolidation of the Board of Home Missions, of Church Extension, and of the Board of Missions to the Freedmen, etc., beg leave respectfully to present the following:—

I. On the consolidation of the Boards.—After as full and earnest consideration of this subject, in all its bearings, as the Committee could give it, we recommend the Assembly not to consolidate them.

II. On the Constitution and Regulations of the Board of Home Missions, we recommend the following changes:—

1. That the second article of the Board of Home Missions be amended to read as follows, namely,—

“It shall consist of one member from each Presbytery, who shall be chosen by the Presbytery. The clerk of the Assembly shall cause to be published in the Minutes of the Assembly an alphabetical list of the Presbyteries under her care, divided into three equal classes. At the first election, the Presbyteries of the first class shall elect for one year, those of the second class for two years, and those of the third class for three years; and thereafter the members of the Board shall be chosen to serve for three years.

2. That the 4th and 5th articles of the Constitution of the Board be changed to read thus, namely,—Art. IV:—“There shall be an executive committee of seven, and a permanent secretary. They shall be chosen by the Assembly. The members of the executive committee to serve during one year, and the secretary during four years. The Secretary shall be *ex officio* a member of this committee, and a corresponding member of the Board and of the Assembly.

Art. V. The Committee shall be located at Pittsburgh, Pa., and shall meet quarterly, or oftener, if necessary, for the transaction of business.

3. Your Committee also recommend to the Assembly the election of the Rev. W. J. Reid as the Secretary of the Board, and Dr. Pressly, A. G. Wallace, J. G. Brown, and Messrs. Wm. Frew, J. Taggart, J. Dean and Chas. Arbutnot to constitute the executive committee.

4. Farther, we recommend that the following be added to the regulations of the Board, namely,—36. The executive committee, through the Secretary, shall furnish to the Board of Home Missions an estimate of the amount of funds which, in their judgment, may be prudently appropriated for the ensuing year.

They shall also furnish the clerks of Presbyteries blanks containing such specifications, as when filled and returned may enable them to make this estimate intelligently: and which returns shall be made by said clerks to the secretary of the Board before the twentieth day of April in each year.

III. We also recommend for adoption the following:—

Resolved, That in case the special collection ordered by the Assembly to be taken on the second Sabbath of July, *proxima*, fail to free the Board from debt, the executive committee be requested to employ an agent or agents to visit the churches, and make an effort to free the Finances of the Board from embarrassment.

IV. On the Board of Church Extension.—Your committee recommend the abrogation of its present Constitution, and the adopting of the following one in its stead.

Art. I. There shall be a Board of Church Extension appointed by the Assembly and subject to its control.

2. It shall consist of one minister and layman from each Synod, who shall be chosen by the Synods respectively. The Clerk of the Assembly shall publish in the Minutes of the Assembly an alphabetical list of the Synods under her care divided into three classes, consisting of two Synods in the first class, two in the second, and three in the third. The Synods of the first class shall elect for one year, of the second class for two years, and of the third class for three years; and thereafter the members shall be chosen for three years. The Synods shall hold their first election for members of the Board at their first ensuing meeting.

3. The Board shall meet annually, five working days previously to the meeting of the Assembly, and in the place appointed for the meeting of the Assembly unless she otherwise order; and its duty shall be to promote the extension of the United Presbyterian Church by aiding systematically in the erection of church edifices wherever they are needed, and furnishing money and plans for church edifices at cost or gratuitously, when requested to do so. And to it, in subordination to the Assembly, shall the direction and oversight of the work of church extension be committed.

4. There shall also be an executive committee of five and a permanent secretary. They shall be chosen by the Assembly: the members of the executive committee to serve during one year, and the secretary during four years. The secretary shall be *ex officio* a member of this committee, and a corresponding member of the Board.

5. The executive committee shall be located in Monmouth, Ill. It shall meet quarterly, or oftener, if necessary, for the transaction of business.

6. As early as the twentieth of April, the presbyteries shall annually report to the secretary of the Board the amount of funds contributed to the Board by the churches, and the amount of aid needed for the ensuing year.

7. From these reports the secretary shall present to the Board, on the first day of its session, a statement of the whole amount of funds contributed and of the aid asked for. Taking these reports of presbyteries as data, the executive committee shall forward to the Board of Church Extension, at the opening of its session, an estimate of the aggregate amount of appropriations for the current year, which, in its judgment, it is prudent for the Board to make; and the appropriations of the Board shall not exceed this estimate.

8. With these reports before it, the Board shall proceed to make such appropriation of the funds at its disposal as to it may seem discreet, and report the same and the reasons which influenced its decisions to the Assembly at the opening of its session for amendment and adoption.

9. In its action, the Board shall be guided by the following rules:—

1st. It shall make no appropriation to any congregation or station not under the care of one of our Presbyteries, nor without the recommendation of the Presbytery to which it belongs.

2d. It shall ascertain the amount to be appropriated in each case by the carefully ascertained necessities of that case and by the state of the funds.

3d. Its appropriations shall be equitably diffused throughout the church, so far as may be without damage to the interests of the cause committed to its care.

4th. As an ordinary prerequisite of the payment of every appropriation made by them, they shall require a certificate from the deacons or trustees of the church that the church lot is fully secured to the trustees of the United Presbyterian Church of North America, and that the amount granted by the Board will complete the church edifice, and leave the property free from debt.

5th. They shall withdraw every appropriation not properly called for within two years.

10. The presbyteries shall not employ agents to canvass the churches beyond their own bounds for aid in the erection of church edifices, neither shall the Board or the executive committee do so, except with the approbation of the Assembly.*

11. The Executive Committee of the Board shall transmit an annual abstract of the proceedings, the condition and the wants of the Board to each of the Synods of the church.

12. All property, houses, lands, tenements and permanent funds of the Board of Church Extension shall be taken in the name of the United Presbyterian Church of North America, and be held in trust by them for the use and benefit of said Board.

* This article to take effect at the expiration of the current financial year.

13. The Board shall have power to enact its own by-laws.

14. This Constitution may be altered by the vote of a majority of the delegates commissioned to any General Assembly, at any of its sessions, notice of the same being given at least one day previously.

V. We recommend the Assembly to elect the Rev. J. A. P. McGaw, to be the permanent secretary of the Board. Thomas Johnston, to be its treasurer, and Marion Morrison, R. B. Ewing, W. D. Henderson, W. H. McMillan, and J. A. Young, M. D., to be its Executive Committee.

VI. *Resolved*, that the sincere and hearty thanks of the whole church are due and are hereby tendered to the former secretary and treasurer of the Board of Home Missions for their long, laborious, faithful and most valuable services.

All of which is respectfully submitted by order of the COMMITTEE.

Mr. Charles Arbuthnot was appointed Treasurer of the Board of Home Missions.

The following persons were re-elected members of the Board of Church Extension, namely, Rev. Dr. Gracey, and Messrs. John Dean and George McCague.

The Committee on Correspondence made a report, which was adopted, and is as follows:—

Report of the Committee on Correspondence nominating delegates to other churches:—

WHEREAS, This Assembly has received and heard with great pleasure and profit, Deputations from the Reformed Church in America, the General Assembly of the Presbyterian Church, (O. S.,) the General Assembly of the Presbyterian Church, (N. S.,) and the General Synod of the Reformed Presbyterian Church; and whereas, this Assembly do most cordially reciprocate the kind and fraternal feelings expressed by said delegates; and whereas it is a matter of much regret, that no deputations have appeared from the Free Church of Scotland, the Presbyterian Church of Ireland, the Presbyterian Church of Canada, and some branches of the Presbyterian Church of this country, and whereas this Assembly is desirous of continuing fraternal mutual sympathy with these churches, believing that it will initiate a deeper feeling of intercourse with, draw all these branches of the Church into closer bonds of love, and lead ultimately to unity among the people of God; therefore

Resolved, 1st. That Rev. Thomas Lawrence, and John Alexander, Esq., be appointed to the next Assemblies of the Free Church of Scotland and Presbyterian Church of Ireland.

2. To the Presbyterian Church in Canada to meet in, — 1869, Rev. D. M. Ure, principal, and Rev. D. H. Goodwillie, alternate.

3. To the Reformed Church in America, to meet at Hudson, N. Y., June 4th, 1868, Rev. Henry Gordon.

4. To the General Assembly of the Presbyterian Church, (O. S.,) to meet in New York city, Rev. William Bruce of Baltimore, Md., principal, and Rev. J. B. Dales, D. D., alternate.

5. To the General Assembly of the Presbyterian Church, (N. S.,) to meet in New York city, Rev. W. J. Reed, and Isaac McGay, Esq.

6. To the General Synod of the Reformed Presbyterian Church to meet in Cedarville, Ohio, Rev. H. H. Blair, principal, and Rev. Thos. Beveridge, D. D., alternate.

7. To the Synod of the Reformed Presbyterian Church to meet in, — 1869, Rev. R. A. Browne, D. D., principal, and Rev. James G. Carson, alternate.

8. To the Associate Reformed Church, to meet at Winstborough, S. C., Rev. Jos. H. Pressly, principal, and Rev. R. D. Harper, D. D., alternate.

Respectfully submitted.

J. B. LEE, Chairman.

Took up the report of the Committee on the Board of Church Extension. The report was recommitted.

The resolution reported by the Chairman of the Committee on the Board of Home Missions at the conference on last Friday evening was adopted by the Assembly as a part of the report of the committee.

The report of the Committee on the Board of Home Missions was taken up, amended, and adopted, and is as follows:—

The Committee on the Report of the Board of Home Missions would respectfully report and recommend the following resolutions:—

1. *Resolved*, That the Assembly record its grateful thanksgiving to God for the measure of success which He has given the missions of this Board during the year.

2. *Resolved*, That the request of the congregation of Sharon, in the Presbytery of Wabash, for \$200, on condition the congregation raise \$300, be referred to the Executive Committee.

3. That the Rev. A. R. M. Ross be referred to the Executive Committee for the third quarter.

4. That with these amendments the Report of the Board be adopted.

5. In view of the vast extent of our country,—in view of the mighty influence which it is destined to exert on the expansion of the Gospel and the salvation of men throughout the world,—in view of the dangers which threaten it from the increasing ranks of Romanism, infidelity and ungodliness, and also in view of the fact that the foreign mission work is necessarily dependent for its success upon that of the home, therefore

Resolved, That it is the deliberate judgment and deep-felt conviction of this Assembly, that the home mission work does not occupy that place in the minds, the prayers and the contributions of the United Presbyterian Church which its importance claims.

W. J. ROBINSON, Chairman.

Rev. J. F. Hutchison was substituted in the room of Dr. Clokey, as a member of the Committee on the new version of the Psalms.

The Board of Publication was instructed to publish the Directory as amended.

A communication, from Rev. Dr. M. S. Goodell, a member of the Committee of the National Union Presbyterian Convention, to this Assembly, was presented, read and referred to the Committee of Conference on Union.

The Committee on Correspondence made the following report, which was adopted.

The Committee on Correspondence present for your adoption the following:—

Resolved, That the Rev. Joseph Nesbit, delegate to this Assembly from the General Assembly (O.S.) Presbyterian Church, and Rev. A. D. Eddy, D. D., Representative from the American Foreign Christian Union, be heard immediately after Mr. Carter.

Proceeded to the order of the day, namely, the reception of Mr. Robert Carter and the persons referred to in the foregoing report.

Mr. Carter was introduced to, and addressed the Assembly. He was responded to by the Moderator.

Rev. Joseph Nesbit, Commissioner of the General Assembly of the Presbyterian Church, (O. S.,) was introduced to, and addressed the Assembly, and was responded to by the Moderator.

Rev. Dr. Eddy, representative of the American and Foreign Christian Union, was introduced to, and addressed the Assembly; whereupon the following resolution, offered by the Rev. J. Stewart and Dr. Davidson, was adopted:

Resolved, 1. That we have heard with great pleasure the address of Dr. Eddy in behalf of the American and Foreign Christian Union, and it is especially gratifying to us to hear that our beloved brother, Rev. W. G. Morehead, occupies so high a place among its honoured and efficient labourers.

2. That we have entire confidence in the Society he represents, and rejoice with it in its rejoicing, while we share with it all its solicitudes.

3. We commend this Society, which has done so much for the evangelization of the world, and whose work is now so blessed, to the liberal patronage and earnest prayers of our people.

Assembly adjourned. Closed with prayer by the Rev. J. W. Bain.

2 o'clock, P. M.

The Assembly met. Opened with prayer by the Rev. T. P. Dysart. The minutes of the last session were read and approved. The following paper was read to the Assembly:—

To the Moderator of the Assembly of the United Presbyterian Church in session at Argyle:—

D. A. Harsha, of Argyle, offers a bequest of his father, John Harsha, deceased, of \$100, to the General Assembly of the United Presbyterian Church; and also on the request of his mother, Nancy Harsha, recently deceased, he offers to the Assembly, in her name the sum of \$100, her request being that this amount be applied to the Home Mission in the Western States. Mr. Harsha asks for an agent to receive this amount.

The Assembly resolved that Mr. James M'Candless, the treasurer of the Board of Trustees, be authorized to receive these bequests, and that the \$100 referred to in the foregoing paper be paid over to the treasurer of the Board of Home Missions.

The thanks of the Assembly were returned to Mr. Harsha, for his promptness in paying over the moneys designated by his parents.

The Committee on the Board of Church Extension made a report, which was amended and adopted, and is as follows:—

From the report put into the hands of your committee, it appears that numerous applications for aid have been made to this Board during the past year; but that a small and wholly inadequate amount of funds has been placed at the disposal of the Board to meet these applications. We do not believe that this want of funds to carry on this important department of the church's work is owing to any want of confidence in the members or operation of the Board; but it is owing to a want of attention, on the part of our ministers and people generally, to the *great importance* of the work which this Board was established to perform.

The enlargement and growth of our church, especially in our cities, mainly depends on the work of this Board, and therefore in the great work of church extension, in the general and comprehensive sense of that term, more should be done in our city mission fields through this Board than through the Board of Home Missions. We therefore recommend the adoption of the following resolutions:—

1. That in the judgment of this Assembly the sum of \$10,000 is necessary to enable the Board of Church Extension to carry on its operations successfully during the current year, and that this amount be appropriated to the Board.

2. That ministers or elders be instructed to bring the claims of the work intrusted to this Board before their people.

3. That Rev. Robt. Gracey, D.D., and Messrs. John Dean and George M'Cague, whose term of office now expires, be re-elected.

All which is respectfully submitted.

J. P. ROBB, *Chairman.*

The following resolution, offered by Mr. J. Alexander and Rev. J. P. Robb, was unanimously adopted:—

Resolved, That devout thanksgivings are due to the Supreme Head of the Church, for the great harmony and fraternal kindness which has distinguished this, as one of the most cordial and pleasant meetings of the General Assembly since the organization of the United Presbyterian Church.

Inasmuch as we have good reason to believe this to be in response to the earnest prayers which have gone up from every part of the church for the guidance and blessing of the Holy Spirit; and now that all questions which threatened the harmony of the Assembly have been happily and satisfactorily disposed of, we earnestly invite the entire church to join with us in rendering unfeigned thanksgivings to Almighty God, for the blessing so graciously bestowed on us, and to request that they will join with us in earnest and renewed efforts to develop more fully the resources of our church, and more efficiently to carry forward our appropriate work as one of the divisions of the army of Prince Messiah.

The following resolutions, offered by Rev. H. Q. Graham and Dr. Davidson, were adopted:—

Resolved, 1. That the thanks of this Assembly are due, and are hereby tendered to J. V. Baker, Esq., Supt. R. & S R. R. to P. R. R., Pan-handle R. R., and to the officers of all other railroads who have kindly made a reduction of fare to delegates to this General Assembly, and also that the thanks of this Assembly are due and are hereby tendered to Mr. S. Templeton, of Albany, to Dr. Gracey, and to Thos. Johnston, Esq., for services rendered in this matter.

Resolved, 2. That the thanks of this Assembly are due, and are hereby tendered to the pastors, congregations, and the citizens of Argyle and vicinity for their generous hospitality to the members of this Assembly, and we will ever have in grateful remembrance a sense of their kindness.

Mr. D. A. Harsha having invited those ministers who wished to visit Saratoga Springs to meet him at the depot, as arrangements had been made by him for their accommodation, a vote of thanks was tendered him by the Assembly.

The following resolution, offered by Revs. J. R. Miller and Marion Morrison, was adopted:—

Resolved, That the thanks of the General Assembly are due, and hereby tendered, to the Moderator and clerks for the kind, courteous and patient manner in which they have discharged their duties during the sessions of the Assembly.

The Moderator made a few appropriate remarks.

The following resolution, offered by Rev. Marion Morrison, was adopted:—

Resolved, That this General Assembly be now dissolved, and that another General Assembly, similarly constituted, be called, to meet on the 4th Wednesday of May, 1869, in the Second United Presbyterian Church, Monmouth, Illinois.

The minutes of this session were read and approved.

The Moderator then declared the Assembly dissolved according to the foregoing resolution. Rev. George Mairs led in prayer. Psalm 122d was sung by the Assembly, and the apostolic benediction pronounced by the Moderator.

JAMES HARPER, *Moderator*.
J. T. COOPER, *Principal Clerk*.

APPENDIX.

REPORT OF THE BOARD OF HOME MISSIONS.

To the General Assembly of the United Presbyterian Church, to meet at Argyle, May 27th, 1868.

Dear Brethren:—It is the privilege of the Board of Home Missions to present to you this our ninth annual report. In accordance with the appointment of the last General Assembly, the Board met at Salem, N.Y., on the 18th instant, and entered upon the work committed to its care. There were forty-eight delegates present, all the Presbyteries being represented except St. Lawrence, Vermont, Princeton, White River and Oregon. It affords us pleasure to state that the meeting was throughout marked by the utmost harmony and unanimity. We trust that the conclusions reached and the action herewith submitted may meet your cordial approval.

Before we present the action of the Board, permit us to say that the report of the Secretary and of the Executive Committee for the past year was received and approved by the Board. In this report, we were informed that the missionaries appointed by the last Assembly entered upon their respective fields of labour at the 1st of July last, and have been prosecuting their work with earnestness and success. God has blessed their labours. New missions have sprung up. Older ones have been strengthened. And quite a number, as will appear in the close of our report, have, by the fostering care of the Assembly, become self-sustaining congregations.

It was the intention of the Secretary of the Board to have prepared, from the quarterly reports, a synopsis showing the number of mission stations, the membership in each, and the increase during the year. Also the number of Sabbath schools and pupils, together with the number of prayer meetings organized and in operation. So imperfectly, however, have these reports been made out and returned, in many instances no returns at all having been made, that it was found impossible to prepare any thing that would be satisfactory or that would approximate the truth. It is hoped that, when this plan of quarterly reports is better understood and more faithfully carried out, we shall be able to present a condensed report that will be interesting to the church. We can only say, therefore, in general terms, that our Home Mission work during the past year has been blessed and prospered, and that we have every reason to thank God and take fresh courage for the future.

We regret to inform the Assembly that during the past year the finances of the Board have not been in a prosperous condition. But twice before has this Board been reported in debt. In 1861, our indebtedness was \$6000. Last year it was \$11,000. Entering upon this year with this accumulated debt, our finances have been crippled during the entire year. The treasury has never been able to meet the promises of the last Assembly to our devoted missionaries. The debt of the preceding year, amounting to \$11,000, has been paid. Still we are in arrears on the past year about \$18,000 or \$20,000. The exact amount cannot be determined until the year is closed. This indebtedness has been to the Board a matter of deep regret and earnest solicitude. We sympathize with our missionaries, many of whom are suffering for their compensation. After a careful and prayerful consideration of the subject, we commend to your consideration and approval certain resolutions on this subject embodied in this report.

The number of missionaries reported as at the disposal of the Board for the coming year was ascertained to be one hundred and twenty. Most of these have received appointments. The supply, in the present state of the treasury, has been about equal to the demand.

The amount of money desired for the coming year was about \$40,000. In view, however, of the heavy debt already resting upon the Assembly in this department, the Board felt constrained to curtail the appropriations of the present year as far as possible without injury to the work. This has been done with great care. Our appropriations, as herewith reported, amount in the aggregate to \$30,000. Of this amount, about \$10,000 is conditional. It is safe we think to say, that at least \$4000 of this conditional appropriation will not probably be called for,—making our present appropriation in round numbers about \$26,000. This, it seemed to us, was the very least we could ask from the church, in justice to the cause of Christ, and the great, needy and promising field spread out before us in

the land. This, together with the indebtedness of the past year, will make the liabilities of the Board but about \$45,000. This is not a large sum for the United Presbyterian Church. And if the matter is fairly presented to our people, we believe that the whole amount can and will be raised during the coming year.

It will be remembered that the last Assembly left the sum of \$3000 at the disposal of the executive committee to meet contingencies as they might arise. The committee desiring to prevent as far as possible the indebtedness of the Board, made but a few appropriations in extreme cases, amounting to a little over \$400, and a part of this will not be called for. We suggest, therefore, whether it might not be well for the Assembly to leave again a certain amount at the disposal of the committee.

With these preliminary statements, which were necessary to the better understanding of the whole report, we beg leave to present that report in detail.

PART I.

Distribution of Funds.

Albany Presbytery.—West Galway, \$200.

Boston.—1st Church, Boston, 100; 2d Church, 300, c. s.;* 3d Church, referred to Ex. Com.; Thompsonville, 200, c. s.; Sutton, 350; Lawrence, first 6 months, 250, last 6 months, ref. to Ex. Com.

Caledonia.—Franklinville, 150, c. s.,† or 300, c. s.

First New York.—Hoboken, 200, c. s.

Second New York.—Newark, 200, on con. cong. raise 1000; Harlem, 500; Jersey City, 400.

Allegheny.—5th Church, Allegheny, 300; Etna, 300, c. s., or c. s. s.

Big Spring.—Gettysburgh and Duncannon, 150.

Bloomington.—Pana, 200; New Brenton, 150; Loda and Ludlow, 250, con. cong. raise 500; Sugar Branch, 150; Wenona, 150, c. s., or c. s. s.; Salem and Chenoa, 150, c. s.; Spring Creek, 100, con. cong. raise 600; Bloomington, 200.

Cleveland.—Letonia, 100, c. s.

Chicago.—Ross Grove, 100, c. s.

Conemaugh.—Taylorsville and con., 100; Center, 100.

Cedar Rapids.—Vinton and Pratt Creek, 150, con. cong. raise 600; Cedar Rapids, 100; Marshalltown, 100.

Delaware.—Davenport, 100; Lansingville, 100; Walton, 125; Teadville, 100.

Des Moines.—Des Moines City, 250; Monroe, 200, con. cong. raise 600; Indianola and Lacona, 150, con. cong. raise 650; Mount Ayr, 150; Chariton, 300, c. s. and cong. raise 300; Corydon and Promise City, 200; St. Charles and Mont Pelier, 100.

Detroit.—Davisville, 200; Paris, Austin and Sheridan, 200; Marlat and con., 200; Clyde and con., 200; Fremont, 60.

Indiana.—Indianapolis, 200; Vienna, 100, con. cong. raise 400; Madison, 200, c. s. and cong. raise 700.

Lake.—Wayne and Freehold, 300, c. s. and cong. raise 500; Franklin, 400; Oil City, 200.

Kansas.—Center and Grasshopper, 150, con. cong. raise 500; Cedar and Manhattan, 250, con. cong. raise 400; Lawrence, 500; Ottawa and Baldwin City, 150, con. cong. raise 500; Richland, 50, con. cong. raise 150; Americus and Big Creek, 150, con. cong. raise 500; Olathe and Lanesfield, 150, con. cong. raise 450.

Keokuk.—Sandusky, 100, c. s.; Winfield, 100, con. cong. raise 500; Keosauqua, 50; Liberty, 100; Brighton, 75, con. cong. raise 525; Mount Pleasant, 75; Millersburg, N. English and con., 175.

Le Claire.—Cascade and con., 100; Clarence and con., 100; Highland and con., 100.

Mansfield.—West Haysville Mission Station, 150; Orrville, 150; Amity, 100, c. s. Michigan.—La Porte, 400; Orangeville and Caledonia, 200, con. cong. raise 400; Centerville, 100, con. cong. raise 500.

Minnesota.—Pepin, 300, requesting cong. to raise 300; Caledonia, 300; Eden Prairie and Glendale, 200.

Monmouth.—3d Church, Monmouth, 200; African church, Monmouth, 200; Fountain Green and con., 150; Hamilton, 150; Elveston and Basco, 200, con. congs. unite and raise 500.

Monongahela.—8th Ward Mission, 800.

Muskingum.—N. Plymouth, 100; Clear Fork, 50, con. cong. raise 350.

* C. S.—Condition of Settlement.

† C. S. S.—Condition of Stated Supply.

Nebraska.—Pawnee City, 325; Rock Bluff and Delaware, 200; North Bend and Fremont, 400; Clarinda and con., 350; Omaha, 800, con. presb. asks ex. com. First Ohio.—Richmond, 200; Dayton, 300.

Philadelphia.—7th Church, Phila., 200, con. cong. raise 700; 9th Church, Phila., 250; 10th Church, Phila., 500; North Broad St. Mission, Phila., 300.

Rock Island.—Colona, 450; Pleasant Unity, 50, con. cong. raise 250; Elkhorn, 100, con. cong. raise 200; Oxford, 50, con. cong. raise 150. Sidney.—California and Spring Lake, 250, con. cong. raise 300; Bellefontaine, 100.

Stamford.—Walton, 150; London, 100.

Tennessee.—Palmetto, for whole time, 400, or 200 for half time; Pistol Creek and Big Spring, 400, and 50 for expenses to field; Lebanon, 300; Johnsonville, referred to Board of Freedmen's Missions.

Stuebenville.—Connaughton and Carrollton, 75; Grant's Hill, 75, c. s.

St. Louis.—Centralia, 450, con. cong. raise 400.

Wabash.—1st Lafayette, 300; 2d Lafayette, 300, con. cong. raise 400; Pittsburgh, 300, con. cong. raise 400.

Wheeling.—Brownsville and Caledonia, 100.

White River.—White Hall and Vandalia, 150, con. cong. raise 500; Portland, 100.

Wisconsin.—Tafton, 300, c. s.; Buffalo, 150, con. cong. raise 300; Caledonia and De Korra, 100, c. s.; Waupacca and Royalton, 200, c. s. or c. s. s.; Oshkosh, 150, con. cong. raise 650; Ashupin, 100.

Western Missouri.—Kingsville and Holden, 150, con. cong. raise 300; Thompsonville, 150; Bethel, 100; Greenwood and con., 200, con. cong. raise 300; Runner's S. H., 150; Warrensburgh, 300.

Xenia.—Wilmington, 250.

PART II.

Fractional Distribution of Missionaries.

A. B. Gilfillan, 1st quarter, Caledonia; 2d quarter, Albany; 3d qr., 1st New York; 4th qr., Delaware.

J. B. Boreland, 1st qr., Chartiers; 2d qr., Conemaugh; 3d qr., Big Spring; 4th qr., Cleveland.

W. S. Owens, 1st qr., 1st Ohio; 4th qr., May and June, 1st Ohio.

H. R. McClelland, 1st qr., Caledonia; 4th qr., May and June, 1st New York.

G. A. B. Robinson, 1st qr., Westmoreland; 4th qr., May and June, Westmoreland.

R. Rodgers, 1st qr., Lake; 4th qr., May and June, Mansfield.

M. L. Ross, 1st qr., Albany; 2d qr., Wabash; 3d qr., Kansas; 4th qr., Kansas.

J. N. M'Lanahan, 1st qr., R. Island; 2d qr., R. Island; 3d qr., Le Claire; 4th qr., Westmoreland.

D. Forsythe, 1st qr., Wheeling; 2d qr., Wheeling; 3d qr., R. Island; 4th qr., R. Island.

R. F. M'Laren, 1st qr., Wabash; 2d qr., Sidney; 3d qr., Chillicothe; 4th qr., Chartiers.

J. M. Cockins, 1st qr., 1st New York; 2d qr., Delaware; 3d qr., Albany; 4th qr., Conemaugh.

J. R. Bonner, 2d qr., Wabash; 3d qr., Wheeling; 4th qr., Lake.

James Rogers, 1st qr., Indiana; 2d qr., Lake; 3d qr., Wabash; 4th qr., White River.

Wm. Melvin, 1st qr., Boston; 2d qr., Boston; 3d qr., Stamford; 4th qr., Sidney.

R. B. Taggart, 1st qr., Cleveland; 2d qr., 1st N. York; 3d qr., Delaware; 4th qr., Albany.

H. Forsythe, 1st qr., Westmoreland; 2d qr., Butler; 3d qr., Muskingum; 4th qr., Wheeling.

D. Paul, 1st qr., Des Moines; 2d qr., Le Claire; 3d qr., Muskingum; 4th qr., Muskingum.

R. J. Hammond, 1st qr., Keokuk; 2d qr., Des Moines; 3d qr., Des Moines.

John E. Taylor, 1st qr., R. Island; 2d qr., Rhode Island; 3d qr., Keokuk; 4th qr., Butler.

A. J. Young, 1st qr., Frankfort; 4th qr., May and June, Mercer.

S. T. Herron, 1st qr., Conemaugh; 2d qr., Frankfort; 3d qr., Westmoreland; 4th qr., Chartiers.

- S. M. Hood, 1st qr., Butler.
 R. T. M'Rea, 1st qr., 1st New York; 2d qr., Caledonia; 3d qr., Boston; 4th qr., Lake.
 R. T. Doig, 1st qr., 1st New York; 2d qr., 1st N. York; 3d qr., Philadelphia; 4th qr., Vermont.
 John Bryan, 1st qr., Conemaugh; 2d qr., Westmoreland; 3d qr., Lake; 4th qr., Frankfort.
 T. S. Bracken, 1st qr., Xenia; 4th qr., May and June, Caledonia.
 R. S. Campbell, 1st qr., Caledonia; 2d qr., Delaware; 3d qr., 1st New York; 4th qr., Big Spring.
 L. J. Crawford, 2d qr., Chartiers; 3d qr., Steubenville; 4th qr., Westmoreland.
 S. B. M'Bride, 1st qr., Caledonia; 2d qr., Michigan; 3d qr., Frankfort; 4th qr., Delaware.
 H. W. Boyd, 1st qr., Sidney; 2d qr., Delaware; 3d qr., Bloomington; 4th qr., Michigan.
 W. C. Williamson, 1st qr., Kansas; 2d qr., Kansas; 3d qr., Mercer; 4th qr., Des Moines.
 Jas. C. Wilson, 1st qr., Michigan; 2d qr., Michigan; 3d qr., Caledonia; 4th qr., Westmoreland.
 John A. Bower, 1st qr., Butler; 2d qr., Westmoreland; 3d qr., Detroit; 4th qr., Mercer.
 Rufus Johnson, 1st qr., Wheeling; 2d qr., Muskingum; 3d qr., White River; 4th qr., Wabash.
 R. G. Campbell, 1st qr., St. Louis; 2d qr., Bloomington; 3d qr., Wisconsin; 4th qr., Chicago.
 J. T. Campbell, 1st qr., Mercer; 2d qr., Chillicothe; 3d qr., Mansfield; 4th qr., Muskingum.
 W. R. M'Kee, 1st qr., Westmoreland; 2d qr., Conemaugh; 3d qr., Sidney; 4th, Frankfort.
 J. G. Madge, 1st qr., Frankfort; 2d qr., Mercer; 3d qr., Conemaugh; 4th qr., Big Spring.
 J. G. D. Findley, 1st qr., Westmoreland; 2d qr., Steubenville; 3d qr., Frankfort; 4th qr., Phila.
 W. D. Ewing, 1st qr., Butler; 2d qr., Xenia; 3d qr., Mercer; 4th qr., Steubenville.
 J. W. M'Farland, 1st qr., Chillicothe; 2d qr., Caledonia; 3d qr., Chartiers; 4th qr., 1st N. York.
 R. B. Stewart, 1st qr., Michigan; 4th qr., May and June, Princeton.
 D. A. Duff, 2d qr., Chartiers; 3d qr., Caledonia; 4th qr., Argyle.
 Dr. Wishart, 1st qr., Mansfield; 2d qr., Cleveland; 3d qr., Butler; 4th qr., Conemaugh.
 T. E. Turner, 4th qr., May and June, St. Louis.
 A. T. M'Dill, 2d qr., Argyle; 3d qr., Westmoreland; 4th qr., Caledonia.
 T. G. Morrow, 1st qr., Princeton; 4th qr., May and June, Michigan.
 J. E. Moffet, 1st qr., 1st Ohio; 4th qr., May and June, Keokuk.
 J. M. Waddle, 1st qr., Philadelphia; 2d qr., Caledonia; 3d qr., Cleveland; 4th qr., Mansfield.
 T. P. Dysart, 1st qr., Chartiers; 2d qr., 1st Ohio; 3d qr., 1st Ohio; 4th qr., Bloomington.
 Wm. Galbraith, 1st qr., Lake; 2d qr., Kansas; 3d qr., Des Moines; 4th qr., Des Moines.
 R. M. Patterson, 1st qr., Detroit; 2d qr., Big Spring; 3d qr., Delaware; 4th qr., Caledonia.
 J. C. M'Elree, 1st qr., Big Spring; 2d qr., Butler; 3d qr., Butler; 4th qr., Butler.
 D. Nicholl, 1st qr., Vermont; 4th qr., May and June, Caledonia.
 J. B. Clapperton, 1st qr., Argyle; 4th qr., May and June, Butler.
 D. G. Bruce, 1st qr., Big Spring; 2d qr., Princeton; 3d qr., Michigan; 4th qr., Wabash.
 W. R. Gladstone, 1st qr., Argyle; 2d qr., Lake; 3d qr., Princeton; 4th qr., Argyle.
 John Service, 1st qr., Delaware.
 John Taylor, 1st qr., Vermont; 2d qr., Mercer; 3d qr., Michigan; 4th qr., Chillicothe.
 W. C. Somers, 1st qr., Muskingum; 3d qr., Vermont.
 S. C. Hubbell, 3d qr., Lake.

A. R. M. Ross, 1st qr., Stamford; 2d qr., Stamford, 3d qr., ref. ex. comm.; 4th qr., Indiana.
 John Todd, 2d qr., Keokuk.
 T. M. Seaton, 1st qr., Delaware.
 Wm. Brown, 1st qr., Des Moines, 2d qr., Frankfort; 3d qr., Westmoreland.
 Julius Strauss, 1st qr., Delaware; 2d qr., Westmoreland; 3d qr., Sidney; 4th qr., Boston.

PART III.

Distribution of Missionaries for the whole Year.

A Renwick, 1st Church, Lafayette.	Thomas Brown, Centralia.
S. H. Weed, Colona.	D. M. Thorn, Rock Bluff and connexions, Nebraska.
E. C. Cooper, Kansas.	A. H. Calvert, Port Huron.
W. P. Currie, Bethel, West Missouri.	J. I. Frazer, Indiana.
J. P. Finney, Kansas.	A. J. Allen, Lake.
G. W. Gowdy, Sidney.	James M'Neal, Tennessee, Palmetto.
A. M'Millen, Wabash.	J. R. Riley, Tennessee.
A. Pattison, Liberty and Mt. Sterling.	J. F. Graham, Keok., Mt. Pleasant, and Middletown.
R. G. Thompson, Kingsville and Holden.	D. F. Reid, Minnesota, Pepin.
S. Jamison, Warrensburgh.	J. R. Bell, Kansas.
J. C. Bryson, Runner's School House.	J. D. Smith, Minnesota.
Josiah Thompson, Thompsonville.	W. J. Cleland, Minnesota, Wilton.
J. K. Black, Chariton.	J. L. Whitla, Minnesota, Eden and Glendale.
L. Proudfit, Corydon and Promise City.	T. P. Patterson, Wisconsin.
Wm. Morrow, Bloomington Presbytery.	John Weir, Stamford.
J. D. Glenn.	J. P. Black, Tennessee.
M. M. Brown, Wisconsin, Tafton.	Robert Stewart, Delaware, Davenport.
A. F. Ashton, Mansfield.	J. H. Elliott, Pawnee City.
J. W. Buchanan, Michigan, California and Orangeville.	John Hogg, Boston, Lawrence.
D. Todd, Le Claire.	W. A. Clokey, Indianapolis.
W. T. Rawson, Detroit.	H. Brown, Caledonia and De Kora.
Wm. Robertson, do.	S. M. Coon, Mansfield Prssb.
N. M'Dowell, do.	J. P. Dysart, 1st 6 mos. Greenwood and con.; 2d 6 months Kansas.
Archibald Crawford, Sidney.	

PART IV.

New and Important Missions.

I. CHICAGO.

From all the information the Board has been able to obtain it would appear that the condition of the U. P. Churches in Chicago is not encouraging. Still there is reason to hope something can yet be done to build up our cause in that city. After the expenditure of so much money we regret to abandon the field without making one more effort. The Board would therefore recommend the adoption of the following resolutions:

1. *Resolved*, That in the judgment of this Assembly it would be desirable, that the 1st and 3d Churches of Chicago should unite in forming one pastoral charge.

2. *Resolved*. That they be, and hereby are, earnestly requested to take into consideration the propriety of forming such a union.

3. *Resolved* That with a view to the effecting of such a union, as well as to ascertain the more fully the prospects of our church in that city, Rev. James Brown, D.D., be appointed to labor there for a period of three months; and that Rev. Jas. Duncan be his alternate. The pulpit of the person labouring there to be supplied, during his absence, by the Presbytery to which he belongs.

4. *Resolved*, That the person so appointed shall make to the Presbytery of Chicago a full report, at the close of his mission, of the condition and prospect of the U. P. Church in that city.

5. *Resolved*, That if in the judgment of Presbytery the prospect be such as to warrant it, they be instructed to obtain for that field a suitable supply for the remainder of the year; and that the Ex. Com. of the Board of Home Missions be authorized to make such an appropriation as may be necessary for the support of said supply, not exceeding the sum of six hundred dollars.

II. OREGON.

Frequent and urgent applications having been made to the Ex. Com., during the past year, by the Presbytery of Oregon for the appointment of a missionary to Salem, Oregon, the Ex. Com., at their meeting, Dec. 30th, 1867, appointed Rev. T. J. Wilson to that field. The embarrassed state of the Treasury, however, prevented the Com. from urging his immediate acceptance, and he has not been sent out. We would recommend the adoption of the following resolutions:—

1. *Resolved*, That Rev. T. J. Wilson be appointed a missionary to Oregon, to labor at Salem.

2. *Resolved*, That the sum of \$500, in currency, be appropriated for his outfit and expenses to the field, and the sum of \$500, in coin, for his support during the first year.

3. SAN FRANCISCO.

The reports from San Francisco are of the most encouraging character. The congregation has had large accessions during the year, and numbers at present 130 members. Last year they received an appropriation of \$1,000, in coin. This year the trustees ask, in behalf of the congregation, one-half that amount. We would recommend, therefore, the adoption of the following resolution:

Resolved, That the sum of \$500, in coin, be appropriated to the mission church in San Francisco.

4. PORT HURON.

The Presbytery of Detroit having represented that they were disappointed, in a great measure, in obtaining a supply for Port Huron during the past year, and that the prospects for building up speedily a self-sustaining congregation in that place are still encouraging, we would recommend the adoption of the following resolutions:

1. *Resolved*, That Rev. A. H. Calvert be appointed to labor in that field for the coming year.

2. *Resolved*, That the sum of \$600 be appropriated to Port Huron for the year, on condition that a promising organization be effected within six months.

5. KANSAS CITY.

According to the best information of the Board, Kansas City, Mo., presents a promising field for missionary effort. It contains a population of 15,000 inhabitants, and is rapidly increasing. There are at present some 15 or 20 members of the U. P. Church in this city. It is important, in the judgment of the Board, that it should be occupied by our church, and therefore we would recommend the adoption of the following resolutions:

1. *Resolved*, That the ministerial brethren in the Presbyteries of Kansas and Western Missouri be requested to explore the field for three months or more, and report the result to the Ex. Committee.

2. *Resolved*, That, if in the judgment of the Ex. Committee, the report should justify an appropriation, they be authorized to make such an appropriation as will be required to sustain the cause during the remainder of the year.

3. *Resolved*, That in case it be deemed expedient to occupy the field, Rev. J. C. Williamson be, and hereby is, appointed missionary to that place.

PART V.

Indebtedness of Home Mission Fund.

The past year has been one of peculiar trial to our missionaries and to the Executive officers of the Board. Entering upon the year with an accumulated debt of \$11,600, the Treasury has been unable to meet the demands made upon it. After liquidating this debt, as has been done by the Executive Committee, the contributions of the church were insufficient to meet the claims of the present year as they became due. Frequent and urgent appeals have been made by the Secretary of the Executive Com. on behalf of our suffering missionaries. The church has not responded to these appeals as was hoped. The books of our Treasurer indicate that the liabilities of this fund, at the first of July next, will amount in the aggregate to \$24,581. It is probable, however, that a part of this sum will not be called for, as in certain cases the labor will not be performed. It is safe, therefore, we think to say that the indebtedness of this Board at the close of the present year will be about 18 or \$20,000. It is not possible to determine the amount exactly until the year is closed. We can only state the facts and leave it with the Assembly to devise means by which the claims of our missionaries may be promptly met. The labor for three quarters of the year has been performed. Our missionaries are suffering. The case is urgent. Something must be done, and promptly, for their relief. The present poverty and distress

of many of our most devoted missionaries cannot long be endured. This indebtedness is morally wrong and disastrous to the work. Plainly it is the duty of the church to make energetic efforts to liquidate this debt at once. We, therefore, respectfully recommend for your adoption the following resolutions:—

1. *Resolved*, That an *extra and special contribution* be raised in all our churches on the second Sabbath of July, or as soon thereafter as practicable, for the liquidation of this debt.

2. *Resolved*, That a pastoral address to the churches on this subject be prepared and published at the earliest practicable day, signed by the Moderator and Clerk; and that it be the duty of each pastor to read this address from the pulpit.

PART VI.

Self-Sustaining Congregations.

It affords us pleasure to report the following congregations, fostered by the Board of Home Missions, as now self-sustaining: *Amity*, Nebraska; *De Kalb*, Mansfield; *Hebron*, Monongahela; *Scotch Grove*, Le Claire; *Tranquility* and *Painfax*, Cedar Rapids; *Rock Run* and *Camp Creek*, Chicago; *Howard* and *Geneva*, Caledonia. All these congregations have expressed their gratitude to the Assembly for its fostering care, and their desire to extend similar aid to others who are asking the bread of life.

Respectfully submitted.

R. A. McAYEAL, *Chairman*.

R. D. HARPER, *Secretary*.

REPORT OF THE BOARD OF FOREIGN MISSIONS.

To the General Assembly of the United Presbyterian Church to meet in Argyle, N. Y., May 27th, 1868, the Board of Foreign Missions present this their Ninth Annual Report, as follows:—

The year that has just closed has been one of few changes, and of generally gratifying interest and prosperity in the foreign mission work of our Church. With only a single exception, the hand of bereavement has been kept from causing any of our mission stations to sing of judgment, and in an encouraging degree the churches at home have shown a disposition, and more generally, perhaps, than during any former year, have made prompt and liberal efforts to sustain the great cause.

The following items will be found, it is believed, of interest, and to many of them the special attention of the Assembly and of the churches is earnestly called.

CHANGES IN THE BOARD.—During the year Rev. Thomas H. Hanna and Mr. John M. Wallace, having removed to distant places of residence, and resigned the offices which they had faithfully and usefully filled for several years with us, the Revs. W. C. Jackson and Lafayette Marks were temporarily appointed to their places.

FUNDS—In the year that closed on the 30th ult., the Treasurer had received from all sources, including the balance of \$4,557.97 in the beginning of the year, \$76,257.73. The whole amount expended, in sustaining the current expenses of the mission, in sending out a new mission family to China, in returning another to Syria, and in furnishing an outfit for a medical missionary and family about to leave for Egypt, was \$68,053 49, leaving thus a balance of \$8,204 24 in the treasury. This statement shows a larger sum received from contributions than has ever been in any one year, and most gratifyingly shows also that our church is capable of doing much in this cause when ministers, people, and children, too, have their hearts in it, and their hands at work for it.

In this connection the Board are constrained to mention to the Assembly, as they do with sorrow, that during the past year, of several bequests made to our church for this cause, scarcely one has come into our treasury. The failure has principally arisen either from some defect in the terms of the will, or in its not being signed in due season;—the laws of Pennsylvania,

for instance, requiring that a will appropriating funds to benevolent purposes shall be duly made and signed at least one calendar month before the death of the testator. In one of these cases it is to be gratefully stated, that notwithstanding this defect, the heirs will generously carry out the will of the testator. But these failures of bequests are worthy of the serious consideration, and of the prompt and accurate attention of all to whom God has entrusted this world's goods. Would it not be better if men would be executors of their own estates? Or if any make bequests, do it promptly in good time, and according to the very letter of the Form of Bequest, which we herewith lay before the Assembly?

MISSIONARIES.—The Revs. Alexander Gordon and E. H. Stevenson, of the India mission, and Revs. S. C. Ewing and Andrew Watson, of the Egyptian, are still with their families in this country. The latter expect to return at an early day to their field of labor in Egypt: the former will follow the indications of divine Providence. On the 21st of August last Rev. John Crawford and family sailed from New York for their mission in Syria. They were very materially recruited, and have since entered upon their work with renewed energy. The only dark shadow that has fallen on their path was the death of their eldest child shortly after their return. On the 11th of February Rev. Joseph McKelvey and wife set out for the China mission, to which he had been designated. With a very noble spirit the churches and the friends of this mission contributed liberally for sending this needed re-enforcement out, and before this time it is hoped these missionaries are safely on the ground, and the mission is strengthened for its still more thorough prosecution of its work in the great field of China.

On the 27th of September last, the mission in China suffered a sad loss by the death of Mrs. AMANDA BEGGS, wife of Rev. J. C. Nevin. She had been a teacher of rare excellence and promise in this country, had devoted herself, when called to the foreign mission work, with her whole heart, and after being in many ways eminently useful in the mission for several years, was at length cut down, after only about eight days' illness, in the midst of her labors, and of her manifestly increasing worth. The Assembly and the church may well weep, as in her death one of the most earnest and useful of all our missionaries has fallen on one of the high places of the field, and China mourns a laborer less for its needy millions.

As the Assembly directed, that if a suitable man could be found for a medical missionary up the Valley of the Nile, and if the state of the funds would justify it, the Board should endeavor to send him out, it is with great pleasure we are able to inform the Assembly, that Dr. DAVID R. JOHNSTON, son of Rev. J. B. Johnston, pastor of the United Presbyterian Church of St. Clairsville, Ohio, has been found willing to go, and with qualifications and experience which, it is believed, will make him, under the divine blessing, of eminent service to the cause of Christ, as a missionary physician both for the body and the soul. His family consists of himself and wife, and they will sail in a few days for their field.

MISSIONS.—The sympathies and efforts of the church have been directed by the Board, during the year, specially to the following missions:—

1. *Trinidad.* The negotiations reported last year as carrying on with the Presbyterian Church in the Lower Provinces, and in view of which the Assembly then authorized a transfer of the mission premises on this island to said church, have resulted in the work being done. At its meeting in June last the Synod of that church most gratefully accepted the mission, and have since sent the Rev. Mr. Morton to conduct it, and will probably ere long thoroughly reinforce it. In view of the self-sacrificing and useful labours of the Revs. George Brodie and George Lambert, in supplying and caring for this mission during its destitution, the Board felt constrained by

a sense of Christian gratitude to appropriate \$300 to them; and it is due to these worthy brethren in Christ to say, that they have since devoted this entire sum to the repairing and putting in order for usefulness to the new missionary, the mission property. Such acts have a sweet savor, and we cannot but think this earliest of our missions is destined, in kindly sister hands, to have a still more happy and useful future.

2. *Syria*.—During the Rev. Mr. Crawford's brief sojourn in this country, this mission was faithfully carried on as usual by the Revs. Smylie Robson, and Wm. Wright, the devoted missionaries of the Presbyterian Church in Ireland. On his return in the fall, he found the work in an interesting and successful state. During the previous June the new church edifice had been completed and opened for service, and at once the attendance upon the dispensation of divine truth increased. The schools all swelled in numbers until there were no more accommodations for the scholars, and throwing himself upon the liberality of the friends of Christ here at home, and especially upon the interest of the children in our families and Sabbath schools in this work, he joined with the above missionaries of the Church in Ireland, who undertook to bear half the expenses, in building a house that would be suitable for enlarged schools during the week and on the Sabbath. The location is most central, just by the side of the church. The necessity for it was most urgent. The children of a large number of our Sabbath schools have nobly responded to the call, and early in the ensuing fall it is expected to be opened under circumstances and with results which will gratify all the lovers of Christ and of his truth in the old and most interesting, but fearfully spiritually needy city of Damascus.

In this mission the ordinances have been regularly dispensed throughout the year. The word has been preached every Sabbath. The schools have been well conducted and well attended, and in all the neighboring stations of this mission the means of grace have been continued,—and in them all with encouraging tokens. May not Syria yet shake like Lebanon?

3. *India*.—The work in this mission has been carried on earnestly and it is believed encouragingly throughout the year. The Rev. Samuel Martin and wife reached it in May last, and have since been engaged, first at Gujranwalla until September, and then at Sealkote, as they could be most useful with their limited knowledge of the language. They have been found a valuable acquisition to the mission. All the usual station, bazaar and itinerant preaching, and the work of the several schools have been regularly carried on, though the laboring force of the mission in such a large and important field has been small.

In both the principal stations a good degree of personal interest in the true religion has been manifested. Several additions have been made to each church of such as it is believed will be saved. In the Girls' Orphanage at Sealkote, under the faithful instructions of Miss Gordon, eight of the pupils have been deeply impressed, four of whom have been baptized and admitted to the communion of the church, and the four others have applied for this privilege. In this school also much has been done to have the girls trained in the knowledge of home duties, of which, in common with their poor sex in heathen lands, generally, they previously knew so little, and thus they have steadily advanced in much that will fit them for happy and useful lives. It grieves the Board, however, to have to inform the Assembly that the devoted missionary who has done so much in this department of the mission, Miss ELIZABETH G. GORDON, is seriously worn down and may be forced to retire. She has been one of the most laborious and useful of our missionaries; and the anxious question with her and the Board, and with the Assembly and the church, might well be, Who shall fill her place? With deep concern the Board hope to lay the name

of one before the Assembly who it is believed is happily fitted for the work. If the name is proposed, it is hoped the appointment will be immediately made and, that the funds required to send her forth and sustain her properly will be promptly forwarded to the Treasurer. Women in India are perishing,—but they may be reached. Shall not help,—woman's help,—be sent them, and sent at once?

The Assembly will be interested in knowing that the Industrial School is prospering. This school is intended to afford employment and support to that important class of persons especially in India who by-reason of laws of *caste* and otherwise are thrown off by their friends and people on their coming in contact with our missionaries. But this school furnishes employment for them to give them support, and connects with this a constant and thorough course of daily instruction in the Scriptures. The institution already sustains itself, and is evidently doing good. It is under the care of Mr. James W. Gordon.

At Gujranwalla the work has been of no less interest during the year. Here, too, preaching in the native congregation, in the bazaars, and in itinerating has been regularly carried on. Several have been baptized and received into the native church. The schools have been thoroughly attended to and have borne good fruit, four from the orphan school having been baptized and admitted to the Lord's Supper during the year.

Important as is this station in the midst of a city and district of hundreds of thousands of the heathen, and efficient as is the work doing there, there are some most pressing wants which the Board urge upon the attention of the Assembly :—

1. A building for our devoted missionary, the Rev. James S. Barr. Year after year has he most earnestly given himself to his work,—living most of the time only in a tent. He must have a house, and the mission, constrained by the necessities of the case, have taken steps to borrow money, even at a high rate of interest, unless it is promptly sent from our treasury for this purpose. Will not the friends of missions living in the midst of their many Christian privileges and in their comfortable homes, think of this case, and make immediate provision for it.

2. There is a pressing want also for a church edifice, or a place for the preaching and worship on the Sabbath, in Gujranwalla. There never has been any, and if there were one, all the labours that are put forth by the missionaries might be made to accomplish far more, as far larger and more permanent audiences would then attend upon the means of grace. If it is a duty to send out and sustain the missionary in such a field, is it not clearly a duty also to strive to see that he enjoys all the means of being most useful and to the largest number in that place?

Upon the whole, the mission in India is in an encouraging state, and ought to have the earnest consideration of the Assembly.

- 4 *Egypt*.—The Lord's work has been carried on in this important field in troublous times during the past year. Roused by the inroads that were making on the ignorance and superstition of his people in various parts of the great Valley of the Nile, the Patriarch of the Coptic Church has manifested the fiercest hostility, and obtaining it is believed at least the tacit consent and authority of the civil government, he instituted proceedings that at one time threatened the work of God in that land with terrible disaster. Personal violence was resorted to, fearful denunciations were made, and some of the very pillars of the native church were on the point of being stricken hopelessly down. But God interposed. The persecuting power was paralyzed, and the favour of God shines again upon the whole mission work. In all this, the mission has most gratefully felt the value of the sympathy and earnest efforts of the Hon. THOMAS F. READE, the acting

Consul of Great Britain in Egypt. His remonstrances, which were cordially made in the time of need, were effectual, and the happiest results have followed.

In this mission there are native churches now at Alexandria, Cairo, the Fayoum, Osiout and Ghous; and schools for both boys and girls are carried on with the regular preaching of the word in all these and numerous other places. In nearly all the churches gratifying accessions have been made to the membership during the year, and such is the spirit of steadfastness among the native converts in the faith which they have professed, that during all the persecutions of the past year, and in the face of almost every peril, only four shrunk back, and even these have since penitently returned, and having given evidence of being properly exercised, have been restored.

With a view of raising up a native ministry, the mission has opened, under the direction of the Presbytery of Egypt, a school at Osiout, about 270 miles above Cairo on the Nile, for the training of young men for the ministry. Rev. John Hogg, a man of thorough scholarship, piety and missionary experience, has been called to its charge, and during the past year fifteen students have enjoyed its privileges, nine or ten of whom are adults who have been mostly monks or priests of the Coptic Church, and will thus be found early ready to go forth and exercise the ministry of the gospel in seeking to do good to their benighted countrymen. In close connection with this the Presbytery have taken the proper steps for each native church to have a native pastor duly called and ordained and installed over them in the Lord. Two of these, the church in Ghous and the church in Cairo, have already called the men whom they wish for their pastors, and are taking steps for providing the necessary salaries for their support. This whole movement the Board, and it is believed the Assembly and churches, will hail with thanksgiving and joy.

On another subject the mission in Egypt has taken a step which it is believed will be hailed by all with gratified feelings. Notwithstanding the professions that have been for some time made, slavery, or the holding of unoffending human beings in bondage, exists in some of its worst forms in Egypt. With a proper devotion to the position of our United Presbyterian Church on this subject, the Presbytery has adopted and is faithfully acting on the following paper:—

WHEREAS, The Egyptian Government, though ostensibly opposed to the slave trade, is secretly abetting it, and thus supplying the increased demand for slaves in the land; and whereas, this accursed system is attended with all the moral and social evils that characterized it in our own country, and thereby opposes serious obstacles in the way of the spread of the gospel; and whereas, in the enlarging of our mission work it has become a practical question with us; therefore,

Resolved, That we solemnly pledge ourselves as a Presbytery to oppose and testify against this iniquitous system by all the means in our power, and to this end we shall endeavour to create a sentiment against it in all our congregations, and shall faithfully carry out the well-known principles of our church with regard to it.

Besides carrying on the work in these prominent points, this mission has nine well organized out-stations, where they have schools, more or less regular preaching, and in some instances members of their churches to whom and their children the ordinances are administered. These stations would very largely increase in numbers and usefulness if there was a larger number of efficient missionaries. As, however, a native ministry is raising up, this want will be increasingly and more and more hopefully met.

Notwithstanding the persecutions of the past year, a larger number of books have been distributed, and greater returns have been realized from them than in any previous year. The demand for Bible and thorough evangelical reading is steadily increasing, and since the printing press, which

the princely liberality of the Maharajah Dhuleep Singh has presented to the mission has been in active operation, an immense amount of useful reading is widely scattering abroad. It cannot be doubted rich harvests will yet be gathered all along that fertile old Valley of the Nile.

5. *China*—This mission has been steadily carried on as heretofore by the Rev. J. C. Nevin. With a most marked devotion to his work, when he was called in September last to lose his wife by death and was left with four small children, he would not leave that work even to lighten his heavy burden for a time, lest the mission, in being deprived of its only laborer, might suffer. As, however, since that time the Rev. Mr. McKelvey and wife have been sent to that field, it is hoped the mission will now find itself happily relieved and strengthened.

The Board have not been able to furnish fully the means for this mission to secure to itself the buildings desired. As funds, however, have come to hand, they have been forwarded, so that with the balance that was in Mr. Nevin's hand last year he has now in his possession for building purposes, \$4,532.77, and more is on the way to him. Yet this is by no means sufficient to meet the necessity of the case. Appropriations should be promptly made. Most gladly would we at once furnish the whole amount required, were it in our power, and as now a new family is added to this mission, there is still more imperative need for the work to be done. Will not the friends of missions, and especially of such a work as is now opened up in China, immediately respond to the call?

6. *Italy*.—This mission, it is well known, belongs to the American and Foreign Christian Union. The missionary, however, the Rev. Wm. G. Moorehead, belongs to us, and while as a Board we may not take any authoritative charge of his work, yet many of our congregations contribute liberally to the mission. Indeed considerably more has been furnished thus from our churches than has been required for Mr. Moorehead's support. During the past year the mission in his immediate hands has, as a whole, greatly prospered. With his residence at different times at Sarzana and Carrara, and latterly at Florence, whither he has been removed by the direction of the Society in New York, that he may have a more general superintendence of the work in Central and Southern Italy, he has had *thirteen* mission stations occupied. All these he personally superintended, while he had evangelists, colporteurs and teachers employed more or less in them. Italy is truly opening for the gospel. The power of the priesthood is decidedly waning. The spirit of inquiry is rousing, and increasing multitudes are rising up to ask anxiously after the Christ of whom the Roman Antichrist has long and cruelly robbed them.

RECAPITULATION.—The following statement presents a connected view of the missions that are occupied or in some measure supported by our United Presbyterian Church at this time:—

GENERAL MISSIONS,—5: Syria, India, Egypt, China and Italy.

STATIONS,—40, viz: *In Syria*—Damascus, Yabrud, Nebk, Deir Atiyeh, Rasheiyah, Ainesh-Shaara, Ma'ara. *In India*—Sealkote, Gujranwalla and Zafarwa'l. *In Egypt*—Alexandria, Cairo, the Fayoum, Osiout, Ghous, Mootcah, Baccorah, Wala Deeah, Beni Alaj, Ekhmeem, Senoris, Benisoeff Keft, Benaood, Mansoorah, and others of lesser note. *In China*—Canton. *In Italy*—Torano, Miseglia, Carrara, Casano, Sarzana, Spezia, Foiano, Prato, Porto-Ferraio, Langone, Terni, Lecce, Bari.

MISSIONARIES.—Ordained ministers, 19; assistants, not wives of missionaries, 5; helpers from this country, 18. *In Syria*—Rev. John Crawford and wife. *In India*—Revs. James S. Barr and wife, (Andrew Gordon and wife, E. H. Stevenson and wife,*) Samuel Martin and wife, E. P. Swift,

* * Now in this country.

J. W. Scott, Mr. J. W. Gordon and wife and Miss Elizabeth G. Gordon. *In Egypt*—Revs. James Barnett, D. D. and wife, G. Lansing, D. D. and wife, John Hogg and wife, (S. C. Ewing and wife, Andrew Watson and wife,*) E. Currie, B. F. Pinkerton and wife, Wm. Harvey and wife, Mr. David Strang and wife, Miss M. J. McKown, Miss Sarah Hart; *medical missionary elect*, D. R. Johnston, M. D. and wife. *In China*—Revs. J. C. Nevin, Joseph McKelvey and wife. *In Italy*—Rev. W. G. Moorehead and wife

CHURCHES—12.

COMMUNICANTS.—In India, 57; in Egypt, 125. Full returns have not been received as yet from the other missions.

MISCELLANEOUS STATEMENTS.—*First, Donations*.—The Board desire to commend to the grateful regards of the Assembly the following acts of kindness during the year:—With his usual large liberality, the MAHARAJAH DHULEEP SINGH has again contributed to the mission in Egypt \$5,000 in gold. Various persons in Great Britain and Ireland have furnished means to help carry on the Theological School at Osiout. The Ladies Missionary Association in Paisley, Scotland, have contributed liberally again for the support of the girls' school in Egypt. The American and the British and Foreign Bible Societies, and the American Tract Societies, have contributed to several of our missions for the circulation of the Scriptures and of evangelical truth. William J. McElroy, Esq., of Philadelphia, has rendered, gratuitously, able and valuable legal services to the Board during the year.

Second, Liberality Among the Converts.—It is a gratifying feature of our work that in all our missions, as far as we know, the grace of giving for the cause of Christ is taught and practised. In the native churches of the India Mission the sum of 216 rupees—about \$108—or about two dollars for each communicant, was contributed to the Lord's cause. In Egypt \$655, or over five dollars for each native member of the churches, was given, and the effort is making, which it is believed will prove entirely successful, for each congregation to have its native pastor and to provide for his salary from their own efforts. These things are encouraging, and it is hoped thus the receivers of the gospel are in healthful training to be themselves some day supporters and dispensers of its fruit to others.

RECOMMENDATIONS.—1. That Miss be appointed for the mission in India, and that the Board be instructed to send her out, and also another female missionary, if she can be procured for the same field, at the earliest moment that the funds in the Treasury will allow it.

2. That the special thanks of the General Assembly be given to the several persons and societies who have so generously contributed, as stated in this Report, of their funds and their services to the help of the great mission work under our care.

3. That steps be taken by the Assembly, or at least, that an urgent recommendation be made to parents and pastors, and to the superintendents and teachers of the Sabbath schools, to have the cause of missions brought before the children of our whole church, and their sympathies and efforts enlisted in its behalf.

4. That the form of bequest already approved by the General Assembly be published in the Minutes of the Assembly and commended earnestly to the attention of all the members of our churches. It is as follows:—

"I do give and bequeath the sum of _____ dollars to the Board of Foreign Missions of the United Presbyterian Church of North America."

Or, if the bequest be of real estate, as follows:

"I do give, devise and bequeath all that (describing the property) unto the Board of Foreign Missions of the United Presbyterian Church of North America, to have and to hold, to them and to their successors forever."

5. That as our foreign missionaries receive their salaries at gold rates,

while at their stations, and according to our custom are paid at the rate of half salary in paper currency, while absent from their work, the Assembly be respectfully asked to consider whether this is a sufficient amount in cases where such missionaries are to remain only a year, or at most a year and a half, and can during that time have no means of obtaining a livelihood.

6. That the Assembly be respectfully recommended to take our foreign mission work into consideration at as early a stage as possible in its sittings, while the members of the Assembly are still present, and there is time to give it the attention its very great importance now demands.

ESTIMATES —During the past year the Board have been happy to find, that in consequence of several large sums that had been previously appropriated and that were counted in our indebtedness, not having been actually required, and also of material reduction of expenses that was made in some of the missions, there was very fortunately, an over estimate last year; and now in view of the healthful and prosperous state in which the good providence of God has generally placed our missions, and of the prompt and liberal efforts of our people during the past year, to properly sustain this great arm of our church's operations, the Board believe the following appropriations will meet the calls for the ensuing year:—

For India, \$17,471; China, \$9,800; Syria, \$2,024; and for Egypt, \$24,468; to send out two returning missionaries and families, one medical missionary, and one female missionary, \$5,500. Total, \$59,263. This is in gold. At the present rates of exchange this will require \$88,894 in our currency. This is the very lowest estimate that could be made. Some of the missions have greatly curtailed their estimates for the year to make it thus low—and if there is any failure of the means being in hand to make remittances to the missions as they are due, one of two things must follow, either that the missionaries and their families must suffer deprivations and trials, or money must be borrowed, if possible, and that at enormous rates of interest. Most earnestly, therefore, does the Board entreat the General Assembly, and the churches, to see that the treasury is kept supplied with the means of paying every appropriation promised to any mission, and at the *proper* time.

MEMBERS —Persons should be elected at this meeting of the General Assembly to fill the places of Revs. F. Church, W. W. Barr, and J. T. Cooper, D. D., whose terms of office expire—and also to fill the places of Rev. T. H. Hanna and Mr. J. M. Wallace, resigned.

By order of the Board.

J. T. COOPER, *President*.

J. B. DALES, *Cor. Secretary*.

REPORT OF THE BOARD OF MISSIONS TO THE FREEDMEN.

To the United Presbyterian General Assembly to meet in Argyle, N. Y., May 27, 1868, the Board of Missions to the Freedmen submits this Fifth Annual Report.

By the good pleasure of our heavenly Father, the work committed to our care has been prosecuted without interruption during the year. Though our teachers have not been wholly exempt from sickness, yet none have been visited with death. Nothing of a very discouraging nature has occurred, while much to excite us to thank God and take courage has transpired. There is in the field itself less to hinder our efficiency than when the work was first inaugurated, while there is scarcely a perceptible abatement of the desire to be educated among the people. There seems to be every thing to encourage the church to go forward in the good work which she has undertaken, and in the hope of eliciting a deeper sympathy in its behalf, we present a minute history of the last year. The first years already spent in this field have been a period of sowing. It would not be fair to look for the full harvest yet, but fruits have appeared which encourage the hope of a glorious reaping at no very distant day. And surely the church will not withhold her support, or indulge the idea of giving up the work, when she has fairly commenced

to prepare the ground for the reception of that good seed, ordained to fructify to the glory of God!

In the fall, the Rev. J. R. Riley, a coloured licentiate of the Presbyterian Church of Canada, came to us highly recommended. He was commissioned and sent to the station in Nashville, where he laboured during the winter. He has united with the Presbytery of Tennessee, and is labouring at present in Johnsonville, in that state. This is a new station, opened about two months since, where it is hoped that after being occupied as a preaching station for a time, a congregation may be established. The Freedmen's Bureau has built a neat house on ground deeded to resident coloured men, and agrees to pay forty dollars per month of the salary of the minister stationed there. An appeal will be made to you, through the Board of Home Missions, by the Presbytery of Tennessee, for an appropriation for that place, to which we ask your earnest attention.

During the past summer, it was represented to us that in the Abbeville and other districts of South Carolina, there were large numbers of coloured people who had received training in different branches of the Presbyterian Church, and who were anxious to be organized under the care of some Presbyterian denomination in the North. Accordingly, the Board commissioned the Rev. S. C. Ewing to go and explore that field and to organize congregations, if he deemed it expedient. After spending about six weeks, brother Ewing returned and reported adversely to the commencing of any work by us in that state. He found even the most friendly of the white Christians indisposed to co-operate with us, if the labourers should be sent from the North, and we did not feel disposed to furnish means to support southern men and women whom we had no opportunity of knowing; so the project was abandoned.

In Corps No. II., located at Vicksburg, the Rev. James I. Frazier has been superintendent during the year. John E. Gilfillen has been his assistant. Since our last report the following female teachers have been employed, namely, Misses M. A. Burnside, L. E. Smith, Mattie Lindsay, Eliza J. Paul, Mary A. Cummings, Mary Scott, Lizzie Raitt, Sarah J. Gibson and Mrs. Annie A. Watkins. The first two named resigned July 1st. The last named is a coloured woman, qualified and well fitted for the work. Eight hundred pupils have received instruction during the year. The largest number in attendance during any month was 485.

In the early part of the school year, owing to the prevalence of yellow fever in the city, the attendance was comparatively small, but with this exception the schools have been very flourishing. A large and interesting Sabbath school has been conducted every Sabbath.

In the month of April the Rev. Mr. Frazier, under the authority of the Presbytery of Indiana, organized a congregation of fourteen members, and the prospects for increase seem encouraging. We regret to say that brother Frazier feels constrained to resign his position as Superintendent, and we earnestly hope that some one suited to the work will promptly offer to take his place. In order to efficiently work this field, we ask the same appropriation, (\$3500,) as was made last year. We cannot expect much aid from the Bureau, and no considerable amount will be raised by tuition. Our property there, held in fee simple, is estimated as worth \$8,000, on which there is a debt of 500 dollars. The houses are insured. During the year the following amounts have been received: from Freedmen's Bureau, \$412; tuition fees, \$351.85; other sources than Treasurer, \$123. Whole amount received, \$886.35; whole amount expended, for insurance, fuel, etc., \$750.61. Balance, \$136.24.

Corps No. II., located at Nashville, has been superintended during the entire year by the Rev. J. G. McKee. The health of this devoted and faithful labourer was at one time seriously impaired, and fears were entertained that he would be compelled to quit the field. But God has been kind in sparing his life and in restoring him again to strength for duty. I might say that he remained at the post of duty at the risk of his life. That he might be relieved as much as possible, the Board commissioned the Rev. Samuel Collins to be an assistant. He laboured from Nov. 1st until March 10th, 1868.

The work in this field is conducted at two stations somewhat distant from each other, and in three houses, which makes it very laborious for the superintendent.

Since our last annual report was rendered, the following persons have been employed in Nashville: Aggie Wallace, Nannie McKee, Mary Arbuthnot, Mary A. Taggart, Joshua Wait, Jennie Hudelson, Esther P. Hays, Jennie E. Pollock, Lizzie Taggart, R. R. Atchison, Thos. R. Andrews, Maggie Richie, Eliza Armstrong, Maggie Dickey, Nellie Hill, Aggie Hammond, Rev. J. R. Riley, Mrs. Jane Collins had charge of the industrial department for two and a half months.

Six of the above named teachers have been paid by the city of Nashville since November 1st, 1867. While this did not interfere in the least with their duties as moral instructors among the people, it greatly relieved the Treasury of your Board.

The present enrolment in the day schools is 720; in the sabbath schools 350; the average monthly enrolment for the year in our day schools is 635.

The cost to the Board for salaries during the year has been \$4,060. The cost of repairs, insurance, etc., \$250. The cost to the city of Nashville has been \$2700. It was the pleasure of the last General Assembly to grant us an appropriation of \$1000 for building purposes. A good house has been erected on the rear of lot No. 1. It only cost the Board \$400, the Freedmen's Bureau furnishing \$600.

Upon calculation, we find that the cost to the Board at this station, of each pupil per month, including salaries, current expenses and interest on capital invested in real estate, is only 75 cents. The cost to all parties, the Board, the city and Bureau, for each pupil per month, is only \$1.20. The congregation established there is steadily increasing. Its members seem zealous, and take a deep interest in the prayer meeting and Sabbath school.

It is the judgment of the Superintendent, (and the Board agrees with it,) that the force in this field should not be diminished during the coming year. Such is its importance and the prospect of reward for toil expended in it, that it should be well supplied with labourers. It is hoped that during the coming year, the city and state authorities will render considerable pecuniary aid. But the condition of things in the South is so uncertain, that possibly nothing may be done in behalf of schools. During the past year brother M'Kee has been a member of the City Councils, and has acted as County superintendent of common schools, both of which positions enabled him to be of great service to our schools.

The whole year has been a most eventful and prosperous one in this mission. In addition to the regular work, brother M'Kee and his devoted band of teachers have by preaching and Sabbath school teaching, done a great and good work in the penitentiary located in that city. Not a few out of the hundreds confined there have received them gladly, and exhibit a lively interest in the religious instructions imparted.

A claim on the property held by the Rev. W. A. Robb, amounting to over \$600, has been liquidated. The only debt now remaining is a small balance due the Rev. J. G. M'Kee, which ought to be paid at once. The property is valued at over \$6,000. We ask for this station, during the coming year, \$6,500.

Corps No. III., located at Knoxville, has been superintended by Samuel B. Moore. With him the following persons have been labouring: Thomas Creswell, Sallie J. Balph, Maggie Kelley, Mattie M'Kelvey, Martha Strang, Lizzie Hill. Also Anna E. Balph and Mary A. Cummings laboured there until July 1, 1867.

This station is composed of Knoxville proper, Eastport, Louisville and Maryville. The yearly enrolment has been 811. The average daily attendance 285. In Sabbath schools the enrolment has been 523, average attendance 203. Mr. Moore reports that the pupils have shown a deep interest in their studies and a degree of improvement which contrast favourably with that of white children in similar schools. There has been no outlay at this post for buildings during the year. Our teachers have occupied a house at a monthly rent of \$20. There have been no tuition fees received during the year, and no appropriations from the Bureau. The whole amount of money received by Mr. Moore from other sources than our treasury is \$79.95. Of this there have been expended for fuel etc., \$78.50.

It is difficult to determine what appropriation should be asked for this station. The present county superintendent of common schools has expressed the hope that enough means may be furnished by the civil authorities to support three or four of our teachers during five months of the year. But this is by no means certain, and hence the Board think it better to ask a full appropriation of \$2200. In the event that other aid is obtained, it will be an easy matter to retain any surplus in our treasury, that may accrue. We cannot report any present prospect of establishing a congregation in this field. The opportunity was lost two years ago, because the Board was unable to secure a minister who would go in and occupy.

Leavenworth, Kansas.—The Rev. Joseph M'Kelvey, who occupied this station when our last report was rendered, having accepted an appointment under the Foreign Mission Board for China, to the regret of all concerned left the field in the latter part of summer. October 1st, 1867, the Rev. D. Forsythe was commissioned and remained till May 1st, 1868. It is believed that this is a promising field. Already a few church members have been received, and under the pastoral care of one adapted to the work, no doubt a congregation can be built up. The Sabbath

school has averaged about 150 pupils during the year. An interesting prayer meeting is maintained, in which the coloured people take an active part.

Last year the Assembly made an appropriation of \$3,000, to secure a building at this station. No part of that appropriation has yet been received; however, it seemed absolutely necessary that a place should be provided. Accordingly, the Board, as the most economical thing it could do, purchased a church and lot at \$3,000—\$1,000 to be paid May 1st—\$1,000 July 1st, and \$1,000 October 1st, 1868. The whole yet remains unpaid, except \$100 paid on the purchase by the coloured people. We earnestly hope that the means promised us will be promptly furnished. And, with this property under our control, and wholly devoted to the benefit of the mission, there is not a reasonable doubt of success, unless the church will not furnish a good man for the work.

Our thanks are due the Rev. W. P. McNary and a number of his members for their toil in the Sabbath school, and the interest they have taken in the mission.

We ask, for the support of a missionary in this field, \$1,000.

The receipts and expenditures for the past year, as shown by the treasurer's report, are as follows: Whole amount received to May 14th, 1868, \$15,130.74; whole amount paid out on salaries, etc., \$14,079.79; balance on hand, \$1,060.95; present indebtedness to missionaries in the field, about \$2,500.

Conclusion—I. We ask for the stations now occupied, \$13,200.

II. We ask, in addition to the \$3,000 granted last year for Leavenworth, \$1,800 to meet other debts on property, and to aid in occupying new and promising fields, if judged expedient by the Board.

We feel that great economy has been used hitherto in the outlay of the moneys given us, and we promise to be no less careful in the future.

III. A copy of a charter for this Board, obtained from the Legislature of the State of Pennsylvania, is hereby transmitted for the approval of the General Assembly.

IV. The term of service of the Revs. W. J. Reid, S. B. Reed, and Alexander Calhoun, expires at this meeting.

V. We tender our thanks to the church at large for the pecuniary aid given to us, to all individuals and congregations who have made special efforts in our behalf, to the Board of Publication for liberal donations of books, to James M. Ferguson for free packages of *Youth's Evangelist*, to the Western Book and Tract Society for Books and papers, and to the officers of the Freedmen's Bureau for timely favours.

VI. We appeal to this General Assembly to earnestly consider our work. We demand for it your wise legislation and fervent prayers. We wish more than a passing notice in your proceedings, because it is a work of no ordinary moment to the church and the nation. It is a work which has only been commenced, and, therefore, needs your fostering care. If earnestly and steadily prosecuted for years, it will, no doubt, like our great Home Mission work, greatly strengthen the church, and bring enlightenment and purity to many hearts and minds. And as you reflect how God has blessed your efforts hitherto, as you remember the great need of moral training which exists among this coloured race and that they have souls precious as yours: as you think of the broad commission given you by the Master.—“Go ye, therefore, into all the world, and preach the gospel to every creature.”—we know that you will consider their claims. Not only do we beg of you to devise liberal things as here assembled, but to especially bring the claims of our work to the notice of your people, from the pulpit, that they may be excited to come up to the help of the Lord against the mighty. Respectfully submitted.

Allegheny, Pa., May 22, 1868.

JOHN B. CLARK, Secretary.

REPORT OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION.

To the General Assembly of the United Presbyterian Church of North America, to meet at Argyle, N. Y., May 27th, 1868, the Board of Education presents the following report:

A smaller number of students received aid from the Board the past year than in the previous year. The number who received aid was twenty-nine, while forty received aid the year before. These twenty-nine are scattered through eighteen different Presbyteries. This decrease in the number of beneficiaries is owing partly, at least, if not entirely, to the fact that the Board found itself under the necessity, at its meeting last February, on account of its embarrassed state for want of funds,

and to avoid running hopelessly in debt, of refusing to receive any new applications. Of the \$10,000 appropriated to this Board by the General Assembly last year, only \$5,556.31 have been received. At present the Board owes a debt of \$1,100, while to meet this there is in the Treasury \$981.46; so that, notwithstanding the check put upon our expenditure by our refusal to receive new applications, our receipts during the year fall considerably below our actual disbursements;—and unless the church furnish us with the money in the mean time, we have no means except by borrowing, of paying the instalments due our beneficiaries in June.

It is plain that there is not that readiness throughout the church to sustain the operations of this Board, which is desirable. Would it not be well for the General Assembly to direct presbyteries to lay its claims before their people, with the view of increasing their forwardness to sustain it?

At the last meeting of the General Assembly the Board was directed to pay out of the \$10,000 appropriated, \$2,000 to each of the two colleges,—Westminister and Monmouth. None of the funds received by the Board have been thus paid. It was taken for granted by the Board that the Assembly intended that these sums should be paid the colleges only after the claims of the students who were beneficiaries had been met, and accordingly a resolution to that effect was adopted by the Board at its meeting last August.

But may not the impression have been made on the minds of our people by that order of the Assembly, either that the colleges would take precedence of the students as beneficiaries of the Board, or that they would receive their shares of all moneys received by the Board, and that thus the claims of the students would be neglected, and the funds contributed to the Board of Education applied to a new object, different from that to which they had hitherto been applied? And may not this impression have something to do with the scantiness of contributions to the Board during the past year? While it is unquestionably the duty of the church to cherish and sustain her colleges, it is, we think, equally unquestionable that the people of the church are not as familiar with this duty, and that, consequently, it is not so generally recognised *as a duty*, as that of aiding indigent young men preparing for the ministry. Hence, there is greater reluctance to contribute to the former than the latter object. And hence, if the two objects are connected, there is danger of a diminution of contributions, in something like that proportion in which there is greater unwillingness to contribute to the former object than the latter. Would it not be well then for the Assembly to take such action as in their wisdom will be likely to increase the interest of our people in our literary institutions, as well as in our students needing pecuniary aid.

There is little doubt that the number of beneficiaries will increase as soon as the restriction arising from refusing new applications is removed. An appropriation of not less than \$6,000 will probably be needed for the purpose of aiding students alone. If the order of the Assembly to aid the colleges through this Board be continued, the appropriation will, of course, have to be enlarged in proportion. Let it be noticed, too, that the colleges have, during the past year, performed the condition on which they were to receive their appropriation, namely, giving the beneficiaries of the Board all college privileges free of tuition charges. This expense should by all means be refunded to the colleges, should the Board continue unable to pay the Assembly's appropriation.

One of our number as a Board, Wm. Nash, Sr., departed this life on the 29th day of Sept. last. The Board elected, to fill for the year the vacancy thus caused, John E. Irvine, Esq., of Monmouth. At our meeting, May 5, 1868, Rev. D. G. Bradford resigned his membership in the Board, and thus the office of corresponding secretary also became vacant. Mr. Irvine was appointed to act as corresponding secretary for the present. The Board recommends the election by the Assembly of J. E. Irvine, Esq., to fill the vacancy caused by the death of Mr. Nash, and also the election of Rev. R. B. Ewing, of Monmouth, to fill the vacancy caused by the resignation of Mr. Bradford. The re-election of David Turnbull, Thomas Johnston, and John Scott, whose term of membership now expires, is also recommended. The Treasurer's Report has been examined and found correct, and with the proper certification is herewith transmitted. Respectfully submitted.

JOHN SCOTT, President.

REPORT OF THE BOARD OF PUBLICATION.

To the General Assembly of the United Presbyterian Church, to meet at Argyle, 4th Wednesday of May, 1868. The report of the Board of Publication respectfully sheweth,—

That during the past year we have accomplished much more towards carrying out the leading object of our organization than in any preceding year.

It will be remembered, that in our last annual report, we stated that it was our purpose in future to publish one Sabbath school book each month. We commenced carrying out this arrangement in the month of July, and thus far have published nine books. Two more are at present passing through the press, and two are in the hands of the stereotyper; so that, a year from our commencing such publications, we shall have published 13 books. The greatest difficulty in the way of carrying out our purpose in this matter, is a want of suitable books to publish. It would not be respectful to other societies or publishing houses to republish the books which have been brought out by them; hence our selections thus far have been mostly made from works issued in Britain, and which have not yet been republished in this country. But this source of supply must soon fail us; and then what are we to do? Unless we can induce such as are properly qualified among ourselves to furnish us with original works, it will be very difficult to fulfil the expectations of the church.

It may be thought, by some, that books for the young have been so multiplied of late that there is no room for any thing additional, and it is certain that so far as numbers are concerned there is no lack. But it is a lamentable fact that a large proportion of the books which make up our Sabbath school literature are far from being of the right stamp: many of them are mere sensational works of fiction; but books of the right kind for the young,—which will interest and at the same time instruct; which will avoid the sensational story style and yet secure the attention of the young; such books as these are by no means numerous. For example, among the vast amount of Sabbath school literature teeming from the press of our country, we do not know of a single book calculated to set forth the way of salvation adapted to the capacity of children.

There is another class of books which appear to us so important that we must fail in accomplishing one great object of our organization unless we can furnish them; that is, books of the denominational character, calculated to instruct our people in their peculiar principles and to defend our principles against all gain-sayers. But unless our own ministers or people will write such books for us, we must fail to furnish them to the public.

We take great pleasure here in acknowledging our obligations to Rev. Dr. Wallace, of Monmouth, for having furnished us with one such book, "The Qualifications for Church Membership,"—which contains a complete vindication of the principle of the United Presbyterian Church on the subject of ecclesiastical communion. May we not express the hope that his example in this matter will be copied by others?

All the overtures and books ordered by the last Assembly for publication, have been published by us without expense to the church, which must be regarded as a considerable saving to the Assembly.

Our publications through the year have been as follows:—20,000 copies Shorter Catechism; 20,000 Brown's small Catechism; 3,000 New Proof Catechism; 1,200 Student's Walk; 1,500 The Catechist; 1,200 Christian Martyrs; 1,500 Children's Missionary Book; 500 Symington on the Atonement; 500 Paterson on Shorter Catechism; 2,500 Blood of Jesus; 10,000 Selections for Sabbath schools; 2,400 24mo. Psalms; 4,500 32mo. Psalms; 2,000 32mo. Bibles; 2,000 32mo. Test. and Psalms; 2,400 Improved Class Book; 1,000 Secret Societies; 1,200 Great Truths; 1,200 Blossoms and Fruit; 1,200 Honey from the Rock; 2,400 Children of the Bible; 1,000 Fisher's Catechism; 500 King on the Eldership; 1,200 Christian Profession; 8,000 New Version of Psalms; 8,000 Qualifications for Church Membership; 1,500 Bagster's Ref. Bible; 500 royal 8vo. Bible; 500 Pronouncing Bible; 250 8vo. Testament and Psalms.

It will be seen from this that there has been a large increase of our publishing business during the past year. To attend to all this, and also the management of our general business, was more than one superintendent could do. We have therefore found it necessary to employ an additional man for this purpose, and have secured the services of Rev. Samuel Collins, who will manage the business department, while our superintendent attends to editing and publishing.

During the year we have made donations in Bibles, Testaments and Psalm Books amounting to \$392.04, and, in addition to this, from the proceeds of the McElroy Estate, \$515.79; that is, \$907.83 in all. From the Sabbath School Fund our donations to weak Sabbath schools have been \$188.28.

The contributions to the Publication Fund, through the year, have been, \$2,218.

08, not quite one half the amount recommended by the Assembly. To the Bible Fund, \$4,818.25,—of which \$4,500 was the generous donation of one individual. This will enable us to procure as many Bible plates as will be necessary for our business.

Our sales during the last year have amounted to \$22,500, which is a small falling off from last year; but not near so much as the depressed state of the business of the country led us to fear.

Finances of the United Presbyterian Board of Publication:—To the Bible Fund, as reported last year, \$14,838.60; contributions this year, 4,818.25; loan from the M'Elroy Estate, 10,885.50; interest due on the loan, \$534.54.—\$31,076.89. To the Publication Fund, as reported last year, 13,443.69; contributions this year, 2,218.08; profit and loss, being gain in former years, 6,898.48; profit and loss, gain in past year, 1,412.73.—Whole amount in our hands, \$55,049.77.

By Bible stock, plates, \$11,993.11; books, 8,330.86; real estate and fixtures, 5,664.65; U. S. Bonds, 7,000; cash in treasury, 280.70.—\$33,319.33. By miscellaneous stock, plates, \$1,143.07; United Presbyterian Books, 5,266.40; miscellaneous books, 5,564.18; cash in treasury, 1,880.56; book accounts, 4,876.24.—Whole amount of assets, \$55,049.77.

From the financial table accompanying this report, it will be seen that we have, as usual, carried on our business without spending any part of the permanent fund of contributions; instead of this, we have a balance of \$1,442.73 profit, after paying all expenses.

We hope this Assembly will take immediate measures to complete the Standards of the church, so that all may be published in one book. These Standards require an assent on the part of those admitted to the communion of the church, and if this necessary regulation be carried out faithfully and honestly on the part of ministers and sessions, it must give rise to a very large demand for them.

We are asked to publish the Confession of Faith without quoting the Scripture proofs at large, and, in addition, the Declarations of the Testimony without the arguments and illustrations. The great danger of this would be, that people might be led to substitute this little book for the complete Standards of the church; but as many brethren think otherwise, and that this arrangement would be productive of much benefit, we would wish the Assembly to direct us what to do in the matter.

With this brief statement we conclude by expressing our desire that grace, mercy and peace may be upon you, and that in all your deliberations you may be guided by the wisdom which is from above.

N. B.—The places of Dr. Kerr and Messrs. M'Candless and Stevenson are to be filled at this meeting, as the time for which they were elected is now expired. Also, that of Joseph M'Connell, removed out of the bounds.

JAMES RODGERS, *Sup't.*

ROBERT GRACEY, *President.*

C. ARBUTHNOT, *Secretary.*

REPORT OF THE BOARD OF CHURCH EXTENSION.

To the General Assembly to meet in Argyle, May 27, 1868, the Board of Church Extension present their annual report.

During the past year numerous applications for aid have been made to the Board, by young and feeble congregations in almost all parts of the church, both in the East and in the West. And as most of these congregations are located in parts of the country which have been but recently settled, the people generally are in limited circumstances, and consequently need assistance to enable them to erect suitable houses of worship; and it is but reasonable that the older and stronger congregations should sympathize with them, and afford such help as they need.—With a view to secure this assistance, without incurring the expense of employing travelling agents, the Board of Church Extension has been established. To enable the Board to carry out fully the design of its appointment, it has been made the duty of all our congregations, both settled and vacant, to contribute annually to our treasury; and if this order of the General Assembly were faithfully executed, it would be in the power of the Board to perform an important part in promoting the extension of the church. But it is well known that the Board have been subjected to the painful necessity of reporting, from year to year, that in consequence of the limited contributions to our treasury, we have been able to do but little in responding to the urgent applications for assistance, which have come to us from all parts of the church. In consequence of our inability to afford material aid,

we have, in most instances, found it necessary to authorize applicants to make an appeal to different presbyteries, for the amount which they are expected to contribute for church extension purposes. But the result of our experience is, that this mode of giving relief to needy congregations is, in a majority of cases, productive of little advantage. In most instances, but a small portion of what is expected, is realized; and it frequently happens, that the Presbytery which is assigned to a particular congregation by the Board, has, in the mean time, thought proper to appropriate her contributions to some other object; and consequently nothing is received by the congregation for which the Board has made provision.

As it is now pretty generally understood that there is great uncertainty as to success in obtaining help through the agency of the Board, appeals are almost constantly made, in a private way, to congregations which have a reputation for liberality as well as ability;—and hence it comes to pass, that congregations which regularly pay their quota into our treasury, are sometimes taxed as heavily in meeting these private appeals for help, as though there was no Board of Church Extension in existence.

As in consequence of the want of means, we have been able to do but little in affording help to needy congregations, it is understood that there is a great deal of dissatisfaction throughout the church, because of the inefficiency of the Board. Some seem to find it difficult to believe that our treasury is so scantily supplied, and are ready to suppose that more might be done than is really accomplished. Every applicant considers his case not only a very needy one, but that it has some special claim on the benevolence of the church; and the inability of the Board to give the desired assistance thus becomes the occasion of complaint.

With the limited means placed at their disposal, the Board have endeavoured as we could to serve the church, in her endeavours to enlarge her limits, by giving aid to rising congregations in providing for themselves houses of worship. But from the want of liberality in contributing to our treasury to enable the Board to accomplish the end for which it was established, it would seem that there is on the part of the church a want of confidence in the present mode of operation. We would therefore respectfully submit for the consideration of the Assembly the propriety of abolishing the Board of Church Extension, and of adopting some other mode of accomplishing the end contemplated.

The appropriations made during the last year to different congregations will appear from the following table:

To Winfield in the Presbytery of Keokuk, Iowa, \$261.40; to Indianola, Presbytery of Des Moines, Iowa, 350; to Winterset; Presb. of Des Moines, Iowa, 120.75, to Youngstown, Presbytery of Cleveland; Braddockfield, Presb. of Westmoreland, Pa., 347.49; to Tenth Church, Phila.; Presb. of Phila., Pa., 792.38; to Third Church, Chicago, Presb. of Chicago, Ill., 161; to Oshkosh, Presb. of Wisconsin, Wis., 250; to Fountain Green, Presb. of Monmouth, Ill., 95 35; to Albia, Presb. of Des Moines, Iowa, 120.75; to West 25th St., N. Y., 1st Presb. of New York, N. Y., 419.59; to West Galway, Presb. of Albany, N. Y., 50.55; to New Lisbon, Presb. of Cleveland, Ohio, 30; to Lebanon, Presb. of Tennessee, Tenn., 1000.—Total, \$5305.75.

A considerable portion of the whole amount distributed by the Board was contributed by Presbyteries for the benefit of particular congregations which were authorized to appeal to them. And as some of the Presbyteries were much more liberal in their contributions than others, this will in some degree account for the disparity in the appropriations made to different congregations.

The whole amount disbursed by the Board during the year, including a balance in the treasury at the commencement of the year, of \$1116.49, is \$5304.75. The term of office of Rev. Robert Gracey, D. D., John Dean and George McCague, expires at the present time. The Board would recommend their re-election.

All which is respectfully submitted.

JOHN T. PRESSLY, *Chairman.*

REPORT OF THE SAN FRANCISCO MISSIONARY.

To the Moderator and other members of the General Assembly of the United Presbyterian Church, to meet at Argyle, Washington Co., N. Y., May 27th, 1868,

Respected Fathers and Brethren:—It is my pleasure to report, that the work, so auspiciously commenced in this city, is still, under the blessing of God, making commendable progress. We have but entered upon the third year of our existence as a congregation. Though the history is brief, yet the record is sufficient, we think, to give all necessary encouragement.

Consider, that but two years and six months have really elapsed since your first missionary entered upon the duties assigned him here. At that time there was no organization, in fact, it was a question as to the probable success of the enterprise. There is to-day a congregation numbering one hundred and thirty members,—representing about seventy families. May it not be truly said, “Hitherto hath the Lord helped us.” But this report belongs more properly to the year now closing, which has been characterized by a steady, healthy increase.

We have received, by certificate, twenty; on profession of faith, nineteen,—making in all *thirty nine*. This swells our whole membership, as is stated above, to one hundred and thirty. At the present time there are about twenty absent from the city, but they still wish to retain their membership, expecting sooner or later to return. Deducting these, we have one hundred and ten in active communion. The attendance on the Sabbath service has increased in a good degree, especially since we removed to the Chapel of the City College.

Baptisms.—Fifteen children have been baptized during the year.

In the good providence of God, only one of our membership has been removed by death, though several families have been sorely tried with afflictions.

The machinery of the congregation is in good working order, and we endeavour to keep it well lubricated with prayer. There are now four prayer meetings in active operation every week. The one on Wednesday evening, in the chapel, is conducted by myself; the other three, by the elders and young men.

I cannot speak too highly of the eldership of this young congregation. The Lord knows how largely its success is owing to the faithfulness of these men of prayer. They love to work for God and His cause, and never think of shirking any duty placed upon them. We expect during the coming summer, to organize another prayer meeting, in that part of the city known as the “Mission Dolores,” looking to the establishing, at no distant day, of a second mission in San Francisco.

The trustees have purchased a lot in what is considered a very desirable part of the city, at a cost of eleven thousand dollars. We hope to be able, by next spring, to commence building a church,—the realization of that hope, however, depends largely upon the securing of the amount appropriated by the last Assembly.

Of this eleven thousand dollars, five thousand have already been paid, and to meet the interest on the remainder we receive fifty dollars per month rent for a house which stands on the lot.

The current expenses of the congregation have been fully met, by the continued liberality of its members. I find the contributions have averaged, per member, for the past year, forty-nine dollars and ninety-six cents.

The Sabbath school is doing its work well, and is in a flourishing condition, numbering one hundred and forty-six scholars with twenty-one officers and teachers. It has given in the year \$45.80 in coin, to the mission operations of the church.

I might have gone more into detail respecting the work here, but this is sufficient, doubtless, to let you see what has been done, and what is our present condition.

From the fact that no discouragements have been mentioned, it must not be taken for granted we meet with none. We have difficulties, and still expect to have them; but by the blessing of God, we intend to go forward.

Brethren, *we must have a church*, and the sooner the better. The congregation was very much encouraged by the feeling manifested in the last Assembly in its behalf. The appropriation was all they asked—It was generous. As yet but about one fourth of that amount has been received, and that thankfully. This will not let us out of the difficulty. We shall need all that has been appropriated. Therefore it is hoped that in some way this matter shall be made to reach the whole church, every man, woman and child. Allow me to say, it is the earnest desire of the officers and members of the congregation, to have the Rev. J. T. Cooper, D.D., continued as their Agent.

Praying that “the God of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of glory, may give unto you the Spirit of wisdom,” in all your deliberations, I subscribe myself,

Your ambassador for Christ,

M. M. GIBSON.

San Francisco, April, 1868.

REPORT OF THE AGENT OF SAN FRANCISCO BUILDING FUND,

To the Tenth General Assembly of the United Presbyterian Church met in Argyle.

The subscriber having been appointed by the Assembly of last year to act as an Agent in the way of receiving contributions for the San Francisco Building Fund,

and to visit the churches, as far as it might be possible for him to do so, with the view of bringing this cause before them, would respectfully report that he has endeavoured to attend to this matter in so far as his duties as a pastor would permit.

The sum promised by the Assembly, was \$10,000, in gold, or its equivalent.

There will be found in the several numbers of the Evangelical Repository, from August to June inclusive, acknowledgments of contributions, amounting, in the aggregate, to the sum of \$4,345.70. Deducting from this sum the travelling expenses of the Agent, when engaged in the service of the Assembly, and the amount paid by him for the supply of his pulpit, namely, \$143.00, we have the sum of \$4162.45.

Your Agent has forwarded to Mr. Archibald Cooper of San Francisco, the treasurer of the congregation in San Francisco, the sum of \$4,000 in currency, leaving in his hands, at this date, (June 1st, 1868,) a balance of \$162.45.

For the payment of this sum, (\$4,000,) your Agent has vouchers, which accompany this report.

Your Agent would take the liberty of closing this report with two brief remarks:

In the first place, it may be gratifying to the Assembly to know, that though monthly acknowledgments have been made in the periodicals of the church, yet he has received no intimation of any contribution having been made for which due credit has not been given. He indulges the hope, therefore, that not a dollar has been lost in the transmission of the several amounts forwarded to him.

In the second place, he would say, that he is still more deeply impressed with the conviction, that the cause is one which ought to receive the cordial and immediate support of every one who has at heart the extension of the United Presbyterian Church on the great Pacific coast, and especially in the rapidly increasing city of San Francisco. The labours of your missionary there, as will doubtless appear from his report, have been signally blessed. In a letter received a few days ago from the Rev. F. Buel, a respectable minister of the Old School Presbyterian Church in San Francisco, he says, "Rev. Mr. Gibson is prospering. God's blessing, and the attendant prosperity, seem to be with him." In view of this fact, and of the present and prospective importance of the field, it is earnestly hoped that the amount promised by the last Assembly will be forwarded at an early day, so that the brethren there, whose hearts are so much in the work, may proceed at once in the erection of a church building. Should this be done, it is believed that a new mission station may soon be started there with every prospect of success.

All which is respectfully submitted.

JOSEPH T. COOPER, *Assembly's Agent.*

June 1st, 1868.

ERRATA.

The names of D. W. French, minister, and J. P. Cowden, elder, Mercer Presbytery, have been inadvertently omitted in the roll of the Assembly.

Also the printed minute which reads as follows on page 97: "The second part of the report proposing a reorganization of the Board of Home Missions was referred to the next Assembly," should read thus:—
"Part II., Sec. 1, and Parts IV. and V. were referred to the next Assembly."

In report of Committee on Board of Publication [page 90.] insert the following:—

Resolved, 5, that C. Arbuthnot, Rev. Dr. D. R. Kerr, and Wm. Stevenson, be re-elected members of the Board, and William Reed be elected to fill the unexpired time of Joseph McConnell.

The name of Wm. Carlile, of Shippensburg, as a minister without charge, should have been inserted in the statistical table of the Presbytery of Big Spring.

GENERAL APPORTIONMENT.

The General Assembly made the following appropriations:—

To Foreign Missions,	\$90 000	Am't per member,	\$1.37
" Home Missions,	45 000	" " "	.68
" Freedmen's Missions,	13 400	" " "	.25
" Education,	10 000	" " "	.15
" Church Extension,	10 000	" " "	.15
" Publication,	6 000	" " "	.09
" San Francisco Special Mission,	10 000		.15
Total,	\$184 400	Av. per mem. for boards.	2.85

STATISTICS OF THE UNITED PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH OF NORTH AMERICA, FOR 1867-1868.

MINISTERS, LICENTIATES AND CORRESPONDENTS FOR VACANCIES.	POST-OFFICE.	STATE.	CONGREGATION.	MEMBERSHIP INCREASE.			SAB. SCHOOLS.			CONTRIBUTIONS.															
				Families.	Communi- cants.	Examina- tion and Profession.	Certificate.	DECREASE.	Infant.	Adult.	Officers and Teachers.	Average No. of scholars.	Home Mission.	Foreign Mission.	Predeacons.	Education.	Publication.	Church Ex- tension.	Assembly's Fund.	Aged Miss- ioners' Fund.	Salary by As- sembly.	General Con- tributions.	Total amount.	Average per member.	
<i>Presbytery of ALBANY.</i>				112	250	2	6	17	15	17	110	125	240	50	12	1590	3262	3189	320	75
S. F. Morrow, S. C.,	Albany,	N. York.	Albany,	113	198	3	.....	17	3	20	65	150	249	25	20	.....	.....	.....	.....	900	50	1759	8	88
J. L. Clark,	Perth Centre,	do.	Broadalbin,	48	113	.....	.....	17	3	13	75	90	125	15	40	.....	.....	.....	.....	1050	286	1647	14	57
R. D. Williamson,	Van Vechten,	do.	Florida,	70	175	5	1	7	18	17	90	143	217	40	19	.....	.....	.....	.....	1000	626	1965	11	23
Wm. N. Rankin,	West Charlton,	do.	do.	52	107	.....	.....	12	8	2	15	100	50	87	12	.....	.....	.....	.....	700	368	1227	11	47
J. A. Williamson,	Johnstown,	do.	Johnstown,	46	90	8	4	8	8	.....	18	75	108	219	30	15	.....	.....	.....	800	3671	4781	53	18
H. P. M. Adam,	Troy,	do.	Troy,	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
<i>Correspondents.</i>				13	26	2	2	1	1	.....	.....	.....	29	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	400	2913	3342	128	53
J. R. Calderwood,	West Galway,	do.	West Galway,	11	24	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	10	35	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
J. Templeton, Esq., F. A.,	East Springfield,	do.	East Springfield,	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
<i>Presbytery of AROYLE.</i>				80	170	2	1	8	11	1	18	100	126	130	14	10	1000	500	1834	10	78
W. E. Henning,	North Aryle,	N. York.	North Aryle,	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
W. B. Short,	North Aryle,	do.	North Aryle,	87	215	10	7	3	7	10	150	169	188	.....	15	.....	.....	.....	.....	900	4369	5658	26	00
Henry Gordon,	Cambridge,	do.	Cambridge,	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
J. C. Forsythe,	Colla,	do.	Colla,	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
D. M. Ure, S. C.,	Salem,	do.	Salem,	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
J. H. Andrew,	Aryle,	do.	Aryle,	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
J. R. Fisher,	South Aryle,	do.	South Aryle,	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
George M. Wiley,	West Hebron,	do.	Hebron,	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
<i>Correspondents.</i>				63	141
A. Leonard,	East Greenwch,	do.	Vacancys,	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
R. L. Foster,	East Greenwch,	do.	East Greenwch,	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
James McLaughlin,	Shushan,	do.	East Salem,	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
<i>Without Charge.</i>				60	160	2
G. Mairs,	Pulham,	do.	Pulham,	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
J. R. Scouler,	Aryle,	do.	Aryle,	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
W. W. Hurns,	Newville,	do.	Newville,	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
W. R. McKee,	South Aryle,	N. Y.	South Aryle,	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Thomas Lawrence,	Xenia,	Ohio.	Xenia,	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
J. Thompson, Esq., F. A.,	Bonn,	Germany.	Bonn,	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
John Galbraith,	Cambridge,	N. York.	Cambridge,	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
John Taylor,	Ryegate,	Vt.	Ryegate,	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
.....	Barnet,	do.	Barnet,	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
.....	Greensboro	do.	Greensboro	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....

* In these tables * denotes last year's report.

MINISTERS, LICENTIATES, AND CORRESPONDENTS FOR VACANCY.	POST-OFFICE.	STATE.	CONGREGATION.	MEMBERSHIP.		INCREASE.			BAPTISMS.		CONTRIBUTIONS.											
				Families.	Communi- cants.	Examination and Profession.	Certificate.	Decrease.	SABBATH SCHOOLS.		Education.	Publication.	Church Ex- tension.	Assembly's Fund.	Aged Minis- ters' Fund.	Salary by Congrega-tion.	Salary by Assembly.	General Con- tributions.	Total Am't.	Average per Member.		
									Teachers and Officers.	Average No of Scholars.											Infant.	Adult.
<i>Presb. of Cedar Rapids.</i> J. C. Freeborn, S.C., S.M.	Boonsboro'	Iowa.	Boonsboro'	47	102	8	40	6	5	2	16	75	50	50	25	25	700	100	950	9	31	
J. L. Ball.	Buckingham	do.	Transquility	37	86	3	6	6	2	1	8	30	25	5	5	575	100	780	8	75		
D. M. Gordon, F. A.	' Cedar Rapids.*	do.	Cedar Rapids.*	76	167	7	9	4	1	1	3	80	11	11	6	650	150	300	10	44		
J. T. Torrance.	Fairfax	do.	Fairfax	29	62	8	10	5	3	1	11	60	17	9	6	500	125	179	7	23		
W. A. Pollock.	do.	do.	Vinton	17	30	2	2	2	1	1	4	18	8	3	3	160	100	12	213	7	10	
do.	do.	do.	Prairie Creek	24	59	5	8	1	5	1	8	50	10	7	4	365	100	7	412	6	98	
<i>Circuit Riders.</i> James Johnson	Mount Vernon	do.	Linn Grove.*	9	22	2	2	2	6	2	1	60	7	11	5	85	108	108	4	90		
S. S. Agnew	Iowa City	do.	Linn Grove.*	34	61	1	4	4	2	1	10	60	31	31	2	256	450	350	483	7	91	
Robert Gilkerson	Marshalltown.	do.	Marshalltown.	10	20	2	20	13	2	1	10	60	31	31	2	256	450	350	483	7	91	
John Agnew.	Barday	do.	Barday	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
<i>Presbytery of Charters.</i> Samuel Taggart.	W. Middletown	Pa.	W. Middletown	53	114	15	7	7	11	10	37	42	100	15	7	32	550	301	1062	9	31	
Jno. T. Brownlee, S. C.	do	do.	Mount Hope	40	105	5	3	10	2	3	9	50	35	25	15	10	640	220	2945	28	00	
J. G. Carson, S. M.	Canonsburg	do.	Canonsburg	83	190	3	26	6	5	3	14	60	146	346	60	24	1000	66	1736	9	08	
J. A. McKee	Claysville	do.	Wheeling	29	71	3	3	15	3	3	12	12	12	12	4	450	220	268	37	83		
A. R. Anderson	do.	do.	Venice	65	158	4	10	18	9	2	8	50	126	110	71	23	900	119	1371	8	47	
D. S. Littell	Strabane	do.	Pigeon Creek	58	177	14	4	13	1	1	11	40	30	85	96	10	12	1000	157	1874	10	58
D. S. Kennedy	Midway	do.	Centre	48	116	14	4	10	7	3	11	40	30	85	96	10	12	1000	13	1329	11	45
J. R. Johnson, F. A.	Washington	do.	Washington	71	180	8	19	11	10	2	12	75	100	210	100	15	22	1000	67	2142	11	90
Thos. Balph	Munkton	do.	Mount Prospect	54	138	8	5	17	13	2	12	75	106	145	35	10	800	151	1287	9	46	
W. A. McConna	Hickory	do.	Mount Pleasant	82	202	11	6	34	8	1	11	40	50	90	15	6	700	150	1809	8	95	
R. C. Wash.	Haylertown	do.	North Buffalo	45	110	22	10	22	17	6	8	40	50	90	15	6	700	292	1182	10	74	
<i>Without Charge.</i> A. M. Cahen, F. A. Brownlee	Canonsburg	do.	Canonsburg	80	183	3	4	28	10	10	13	800	193	183	83	7	800	9	1317	7	31	
Correspond: Wm. Martin,	do.	do.	Charters & Roads.	48	115	5	10	10	10	10	750	10	50	50	50	750	100	810	7	00		
F. J. Agnew	do.	do.	do.	35	90	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
J. M. Dowell	Washington	do.	South Buffalo	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
<i>Presbytery of Chicago.</i> Wm. T. Moffet, F. A., S. M.	Freeland	Ill.	Somonauk	84	228	22	25	10	16	3	20	80	152	377	80	31	1500	565	3712	11	45	
S. F. Clark	Tamarac	do.	Wheeland	43	90	5	6	6	9	7	37	32	37	17	6	2	500	700	1309	14	43	
Alex. Smith	Shannon	do.	Shannon	18	36	3	11	2	9	5	50	30	37	8	6	350	418	877	24	56		
do.	do.	do.	Rock Run	15	31	3	2	4	4	4	20	20	27	8	4	340	50	459	15	75		
R. W. French	do.	do.	Wilton	20	50	5	1	2	3	6	20	25	49	20	5	300	224	2954	53	08		
S. F. Thompson, S. S.	Savannah	do.	Camp Creek	40	75	9	4	4	17	6	6	50	15	41	2	500	100	661	7	48		
J. A. Morrow, S.S., S.C.	Savannah	do.	Savannah	11	20	1	1	4	4	8	10	10	15	2	2	70	70	121	3	00		

Correspondents.		Vacancies.															
John Nesbik	Illinois	89	30	3	1	7	12	6	40	23	62	11	606	96	\$466	9 00	
Robert Harner	do.	24	10	24	2	2	2	10	65	30	50	5	250	50	250	10 00	
A. M. Ferris	do.	35	15	35	8	16	8	10	55	30	50	5	752	20	752	20 00	
	Chicago	57	21	57	8	16	8	10	55	30	50	5	230	1047	1236	22 63	
<i>Presbytery of CHILICOTHE</i>																	
D. Macmillan, S. C. F. A., S. M.	Ohio	200	104	200	4	7	10	20	215	45	40	23	5	260	1105	4 24	
W. H. Presley	do.	111	58	111	1	5	7	19	105	50	50	10	5	4	1100	252	147 13 00
John Chaucer	do.	98	220	15	7	24	20	3	15	25	22	22	17	1600	51	871 4 00	
R. K. Campbell	do.	40	197	2	1	1	2	1	11	70	16	16	9	680	474	542 50 57	
J. Stewart	do.	42	125	27	11	6	3	8	14	140	35	50	6	735	40	923 7 11	
<i>Correspondents to</i>																	
John P. Wright	do.	45	89	1	1	2	2	7	30	16	16	300	300	300	3 53		
John Kerr	do.	30	60	4	2	8	5	8	30	20	15	20	300	300	300	5 91	
John McClanahan	do.	17	54	2	1	1	1	8	30	20	15	20	250	250	250	3 70	
A. A. Frazer	do.	22	55	2	1	7	8	6	40	5	5	120	120	120	2 18		
W. Wade	do.	20	46	5	1	4	5	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	120	120	120	2 71
David Rose	do.	11	24	5	2	1	3	1	.....	.....	.....	.....	84	84	84	3 50
John Puntney	do.	5	18	5	2	1	3	1	.....	.....	.....	.....	95	95	95	7 57
<i>Without Charge.</i>																	
Jas. Arlathnot	do.																
J. H. Renner	do.																
J. M. Waddle	do.																
<i>Presbytery of CLEVELAND.</i>																	
D. Goodwin, S. C., F. A.	do.	52	103	1	3	4	1	3	30	23	59	21	350	350	350	802 7 81	
J. W. Logan	do.	33	96	13	3	1	4	10	60	64	28	36	550	550	550	11 63	
do.	do.	32	25	2	1	1	1	50	50	50	19	10	275	275	275	3 70	
G. K. Ormond, S. M.	do.	40	108	15	28	6	8	14	60	50	55	23	500	500	500	206 28 91	
D. M. B. McLean	do.	75	150	18	18	11	14	2	22	115	53	50	20	1500	1500	875 31 00	
R. Gable	do.	21	52	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
<i>Correspondents.</i>																	
W. M. Laughlin	do.	20	63	4	3	8	7	30	.....	.....	.....	.....	495	495	495	801 15 10
H. Chait	do.	5	18	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	200	200	200	.....
R. E. Murdoch	do.	15	30	2	1	11	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
<i>Without Charge.</i>																	
S. T. Herron	do.																
<i>Presbytery of COLUMBIANA</i>																	
Samuel McArthur	Pa.	25	61	20	2	2	4	5	34	11	37	19	254	254	42	396 6 50	
do.	do.	17	37	2	2	2	4	7	41	10	11	7	300	300	68	47 11 54	
D. W. Collins S. M.	do.	45	104	4	3	5	2	10	60	48	08	35	4	350	350	815 7 84	
do.	do.	42	95	5	10	3	4	5	30	10	25	4	2	350	350	565 5 88	
Jno. C. Telford S. C.	do.	80	190	14	14	8	9	9	50	70	75	43	87	87	700	1430 8 00	
do.	do.	56	80	9	7	9	7	3	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Byron Porter	do.	35	91	6	3	2	2	10	65	35	60	.....	257	257	32	60 8 45
do.	do.	45	110	2	3	8	6	7	50	10	35	.....	400	400	150	181 6 07
D. K. Buff	do.	22	78	3	6	2	6	1	9	20	35	5	200	200	57	1 2 5 80	
do.	do.	25	55	31	4	2	7	1	14	60	30	28	200	200	50	38 7 00	
do.	do.	24	58	5	4	2	2	10	30	25	37	10	200	200	50	32 7 18	
do.	do.	24	58	5	4	2	2	10	30	25	37	10	200	200	50	32 7 18	

Correspondents.	Centerville.	Ind.	Vazpazics.	1	6	1	26	40	5	5	2	5	600	250
J. C. McKeeher.....	Centerville.....	18	Centerville.....	1	6	1	26	40	5	5	2	5	600	250
Hort Fenton.....	Waterford.....	15	Waterford.....	2	2		9	50	5	6			150	150
T. B. Cunningham.....	Heca.....	11	Pleasant Grove.....	1			14	30	4	7	3	2	120	6
	Holland.....	16	South Holland.....											11
<i>Without Charge.</i>														
A. F. Ashton.....	Giral.....													
W. Lind.....	Whitneyville.....													
<i>Presbytery of Muncies</i>														
W. J. Toland, S. S.....	Wilton.....	7	Wilton.....	2			26			5			50	100
D. F. Reid, S. M., F. A.....	Popin.....	15	Popin.....	2			17	4		6			151	300
J. D. South, S. S.....	Lake City.....	41	Caledonia.....	18			10	14		5			200	300
			<i>Vazpazics.</i>											
	Eden Prairie.....	29	Eden Prairie.....				50	6	3				130	150
	Hamilton Station.....	23	Hamden.....						10				120	150
<i>Without Charge.</i>														
J. L. White.....	Eden Prairie.....													
J. E. Bell.....	Eden Prairie.....													
<i>Presbytery of Monmouth.</i>														
R. B. Ewing.....	Monmouth.....	127	1st Monmouth.....	11	26	49	2	16	150	200	380		1500	1098
D. A. Wallace, D. D.....	do.....	259	2d Monmouth.....	12	91	42	3	26	180	155	503	67	900	978
Alex. Young, D. D.....	do.....		do.....											
J. M. Henderson, F. A.....	do.....	22	3d do.....	9	15	14	3	19	150	10	24	3	531	107
W. J. McSurly, S. M.....	Young America.....	72	Young America.....	9	13	27	2	13	150	60	60	29	900	475
James McArthur.....	Bigsville.....	43	Ellison.....	6	4	12	10	25	130	60	30	14	900	105
J. H. Montgomery.....	Elmira.....	47	Elmira.....	10	10	12	10	75	98	109	13	12	400	380
M. Morrison, S. C.....	Springfield.....	40	Fairfield.....	8	10	12	10	75	98	109	13	12	400	380
Samuel Miller.....	Monmouth.....	43	South Creek.....	17	5		10	100	81	132	16	26	865	224
J. H. Brown.....	Clarton.....	23	Chayton.....	9	2	5	3	8	35	52	139	22	600	221
W. H. Buchanan.....	Weston.....	56	Elyson.....	9	6	8	1	15	129	21	20	15	319	210
Daniel Harris.....	Fountain Green.....	17	Fountain Green.....	1	10	1	2	6	39	20	54	9	153	1138
do.....	do.....	13	Chalmers.....											683
do.....	do.....	8	Garrett.....											39
Matthew Biggs, S. S.....	Hamilton.....	9	Hamilton.....	3			6	30	10	13			100	20
<i>Correspondents.</i>														143
W. A. Finley.....	Opawika.....	57	South Henderson.....	2	1	41	11	1	7	60	130	30	600	558
A. C. Merrill.....	Bigsville.....	64	Bigsville.....	2	11	13	6	1	8	43	25	69	800	1210
W. R. Thorn.....	Spring Grove.....	39	Spring Grove.....	3	9	18	2	7	56	52	109	5	570	201
J. A. Finley.....	Monmouth.....	34	Henderson.....	3	2	9	9	2	10	85	65	193	500	189
J. Gardner.....	Idena.....	26	Idena.....	4	2		3	1	9	60	18	79	440	281
J. E. McNair.....	Ellisville.....	13	Ellisville.....	4	2		6	1	4	10	5		440	281
M. Boyer.....	Perseus.....	7	Perseus.....	15	3	1	2	60					130	501
G. P. Morris.....	Monmouth.....	9	1st African, M. Rm.....	7	3	2	2	12	36				200	31
														231

Without Charge. D. MacCall, D. D., Monmouth, Ill.; Wm. Toyne, Monmouth, Ill.; J. L. McLean, Monmouth, Ill.; A. M. Black, D. D., Monmouth, Ill.; J. M. Graham, Monmouth, Ills.; R. Ross, Monmouth, Ills.; J. A. P. McVow, Monmouth, Ill.; O. B. Jones, Monmouth, Ill.; John Scott, D. D., Monmouth, Ill.; J. C. Hutchison, Monmouth, Ills.; G. D. Henderson, Monmouth, Ills.; N. C. Weede, Elmhurst, Illinois; E. McCoy, Young America, Ills.; D. W. McLeary, —

Correspondents.		Vacancies.																
Joseph W. Campbell	New California	18	49	6	3	2	9	30	11	42	300	64	424	8	65			
S. D. Robinson	Unionville	14	28	5	7	1	5	40	9	0	330	10	384	4	13			
John McKinley	Cannonsburgh	45	93	3	1	8	1	9	40	7	350	10	384	4	13			
John K. Kerr	Grand Rapids	13	35	5	1	8	3	1	9	0	100	100	305	3	65			
J. W. Chong	Leipsic	17	34	2	3	0	4	25	10	15	270	100	305	3	65			
W. Stephens	Port Keweenaw	10	22	2	3	0	2	10	15	8	150	100	305	3	65			
Jam. S. English	Vermont	8	20	6	2	1	1	8	3	15	150	100	305	3	65			
do.	Fremont	21	41	6	4	1	8	3	15	150	100	305	3	65				
Alex. Gillis	Spring Lake	10	18	2	1	1	1	8	3	306	70	12	75	8	25			
<i>Without Charge.</i>																		
J. Wallace	Huntsville	do.																
J. R. Bonner	Sidney	do.																
James Rogers	Cannonsburgh	Pa.																
W. G. Morehead	Saazana	Italy.																
<i>Presbytery of STANFORD.</i>																		
John Gillespie, S. C., F. A.	Milton	Canada	43	69	8	3	3	46	30	50	600	750	1470	21	30			
Robert Achison	Galt	do.	120	275	10	2	3	40	117	204	14	20	6	20	700			
James McGill	Stamford	do.	24	52	1	1	6	40	15	15	200	290	833	16	50			
do.	do	do.	20	35	1	1	6	35	9	10	200	50	269	7	50			
<i>Correspondents.</i>																		
John Lees	Port Hope	do.	30	77	3	3	3	18	80	15	20	10	700	300	1055	13	73	
John Shortreed	Walton	do.	30	60	4	0	3	7	60	7	11	75	200	300	707	11	75	
Adam Telfer	Telfer	do.	21	41	4	1	5	3	20	10	17	100	350	383	7	97		
<i>Without Charge.</i>																		
John Hogg	Port Hope	do.																
John Robertson	Walton	do.																
<i>Presbytery of STEUBENVILLE</i>																		
Joseph Andrews, F. A.	Wellsville	Ohio	56	150	5	9	5	22	1	12	60	165	239	50	11	33	3	800
Joseph Boyd	Sallenville	do.	28	60*														
do.	do	do.	34	65*														
J. W. Clokey	Steubenville	do.	85	207	10	9	12	17	1	17	148	324	79	29	10	63	4	17
W. R. Erskine	Scragsdale	do.	52	162	15	7	9	11	3	3	80	107	124	8	9	0	6	100
James Golden	F. Springfield	do.	28	97	12	14	9	7	2	7	40	623	32	6	18	2	4	48
J. M. Jamison	Hopkinton	do.	44	117	6	1	10	3	1	0	50	23	69	15	6	3	1	3
J. W. Martin, S. C., S. M.	East Liverpool	do.	42	95	4	16	11	17	1	8	0	48	154	30	13	7	21	2
Thomas R. Simpson	Kligons	do.	22	80	6	10	7	3	1	1	10	29	21	10	4	3	5	80
do.	do.	do.	16	34	4	1	1	1	1	1	10	10	10	10	3	10	10	100
L. N. White	Greys	do.	41	85	1	1	1	1	1	1	10	10	10	10	3	10	10	100
do.	do.	do.	25	60	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	40
J. R. Slentz	Carrollton	do.	26	60	6	6	6	6	6	6	15	30	15	30	10	30	30	60
do.	do.	do.	12	24	1	1	1	1	1	1	10	10	10	10	3	30	30	60
<i>Correspondents.</i>																		
John Berry	Richmond	do.	41	96	1	3	23	4	4	4	30	95	120	707	8	00	25	405
David White	Knoxville	do.	27	56	5	3	3	3	3	3	8	15	11	12	30	30	30	60
Robert Sharp	Sallenville	do.	18	45	6	3	5	5	5	5	15	11	11	12	35	40	40	80

MINISTERS, LICENTIATES AND CORRESPONDENTS FOR VACANCIES.	Post Office.	STATE.	CONGREGATION.	MEMBERSHIP.			INCREASE.			BAPTISM SCHOOLS.		CONTRIBUTIONS.															
				Families.	Communi- cants.	Examination and Profession.	Certificate.	Decrease.	Adult.	Infant.	Officers and Teachers.	Average No. of Scholars.	Home Mis- sion.	Korean Mission.	Foreign Mission.	Education.	Publication.	Church Ex- penditure.	Assembly's Fund.	Aged Mis- sion- ers Fund.	Salary by Congrega- tion.	Salary by Assembly.	General Con- tributions.	Total Am't.	Average per Member.		
<i>Presbytery of Wheeling.</i>																											
J. B. Johnson.....	St. Clarksville.....	O.	St. Clarksville.....	55	145	6	21	6	8	15	100	83	126	41	66	5	5	800	470	1518	10	47	7000	892	42	50	
J. T. McClure.....	Wheeling.....	W. Va.	Wheeling.....	98	210	3	5	15	14	26	180	166	156	5	8	45	12	1600	7000	892	42	50	116	1441	8	89	
Josias Stevenson.....	West Alexander.....	Pa.	West Alexander.....	70	162	6	8	10	7	2	110	119	207	31	8	45	8	800	116	1441	8	89	1173	7	47		
W. T. Meloy.....	Cadiz.....	O.	Cadiz.....	68	157	6	6	15	3	3	19	75	77	77	62	8	9	4000	60	200	4	32	1173	7	47		
W. G. Waddle.....	Moordisland.....	do.	Moordisland.....	36	83	6	1	2	8	5	50	26	53	15	6	6	1	200	50	672	6	89	220	4	32		
do.	do.	do.	Tippecanoe.....	20	61	9	7	6	1	6	6	8	3	2	1	1	1	350	4	303	9	83	220	4	32		
R. G. Campbell.....	New Athens.....	do.	New Athens.....	10	44	2	4	4	1	1	32	9	11	13	4	4	4	350	35	495	3	64	303	9	83		
William Grimes.....	Steuco.....	do.	Steuco.....	4	36	5	1	5	1	1	4	15	35	5	3	3	3	160	20	244	6	25	350	4	32		
do.	do.	do.	High Ridge.....	19	39	1	1	2	1	1	4	30	5	5	5	5	5	160	20	244	6	25	350	4	32		
<i>Correspondents.</i>																											
David Hawthorn.....	Harrisville.....	do.	Harrisville.....	27	80	7	7	10	10	10	50	50	30	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100
Malcom Ferguson.....	Shepherdstown.....	do.	Shepherdstown.....	24	52	1	1	6	1	6	50	50	30	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100
William Ross.....	Uniontown.....	do.	Uniontown.....	11	25	2	6	2	3	2	8	14	14	14	14	14	14	300	300	12	91	322	12	91	322	12	91
William Drennon.....	Morristown.....	do.	Morristown.....	18	37	1	1	1	3	1	4	14	14	14	14	14	14	148	148	166	4	49	166	4	49		
<i>Without Charge.</i>																											
James Kerr.....	Martin's Ferry.....	do.	Martin's Ferry.....	6	18	2	2	2	3	2	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100
Matthew Giffen.....	Businessburg.....	do.	Businessburg.....	16	34	2	2	6	3	6	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	90	90	100	2	76	100	2	76		
Wm T. Wallster.....	Jolly.....	do.	Jolly.....	16	34	2	2	6	3	6	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	90	90	100	2	76	100	2	76		
do.	do.	do.	Brownsville.....	16	34	2	2	6	3	6	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	90	90	100	2	76	100	2	76		
R. Rutherford.....	do.	do.	Little Muskingum.....	22	42	1	1	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	125	125	129	3	00	129	3	00		
James Knox.....	do.	do.	Caledonia.....	22	42	1	1	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	125	125	129	3	00	129	3	00		
James Vance.....	do.	W. Va.	Buchanan Hill.....	15	40	9	2	20	10	3	40	40	40	40	40	40	40	125	125	129	3	00	129	3	00		
Robert Giffen.....	do.	do.	Middle Wheeling.....	15	40	9	2	20	10	3	40	40	40	40	40	40	40	125	125	129	3	00	129	3	00		
do.	do.	do.	Lent & Short Creek.....	15	40	9	2	20	10	3	40	40	40	40	40	40	40	125	125	129	3	00	129	3	00		
do.	do.	O.	do.	15	40	9	2	20	10	3	40	40	40	40	40	40	40	125	125	129	3	00	129	3	00		
W. Wisbart, D. D.....	New Athens.....	do.	New Athens.....	15	40	9	2	20	10	3	40	40	40	40	40	40	40	125	125	129	3	00	129	3	00		
H. Parks.....	do.	do.	do.	15	40	9	2	20	10	3	40	40	40	40	40	40	40	125	125	129	3	00	129	3	00		
Thomas Love.....	St. Clarksville.....	do.	St. Clarksville.....	15	40	9	2	20	10	3	40	40	40	40	40	40	40	125	125	129	3	00	129	3	00		
<i>Presbytery of W. Missouri.</i>																											
S. Jackson, S.S. F.A.S.M.....	Warrensburg.....	Mo.	Warrensburg.....	32	68	2	37	25	3	8	50	6	6	6	6	6	6	600	300	51	563	8	28	51	563	8	28
J. C. Thompson, S.S.C.....	Warrensburg.....	do.	Warrensburg.....	13	35	2	34	1	5	1	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	200	200	19	219	6	25	19	219	6	25
K. G. Thompson, S.S.....	Kingsville.....	do.	Kingsville.....	5	21	2	21	4	1	4	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	60	60	60	60	60	60	60	60	60	60
R. Ross.....	Greenwood.....	do.	Greenwood.....	8	28	28	28	28	4	1	30	6	6	6	6	6	6	76	76	76	76	76	76	76	76	76	76
do.	do.	do.	do.	8	28	28	28	28	4	1	30	6	6	6	6	6	6	76	76	76	76	76	76	76	76	76	76
W. P. Currie, S.S.....	do.	do.	do.	8	28	28	28	28	4	1	30	6	6	6	6	6	6	76	76	76	76	76	76	76	76	76	76
J. C. Bryson, S.S.....	Butler.....	do.	Butler.....	8	20	20	20	20	3	25	5	3	3	3	3	3	3	30	30	3	41	2	05	3	41	2	05
do.	Warrensburg.....	do.	Warrensburg.....	8	20	20	20	20	3	25	5	3	3	3	3	3	3	30	30	3	41	2	05	3	41	2	05

Without Charge.—J. D. Steel, Warrensburg, Mo.

Wilkin, Parkville, Mo.; Robert Stewart, M. D., Greenwood, Mo.

Correspondents.—Robert Leech, Butler, Mo.; Wm.

SUMMARY.

PRESBYTERIES.	MEMBERSHIP, INCREASE				BAPTISMS SUB. SOLDIERS.										CONTRIBUTIONS.														
	Without Charge	Total Ministers	Late Converts	Students	Congregations	Families	Communi- cants.	Exam and Profession.	Certificate.	Decrease.	Infant.	Adult.	Officers and Teachers	Average No. of Scholars.	Home Mission.	Foreign Mission.	Freedmen's Mission.	Education.	Publication.	Church Ex- tension.	Assembly's Fund.	Aged Minis- ters' Fund.	Salary by Congrega- tion.	Salary by Assembly.	General Con- tributions.	Total Amount	Average per Member.		
1 <i>Synod of N. York</i>	6	9	2	2	7	465	983	20	27	68	50	1	101	696	696	172	109	20	416	8	32	6250	11076	16915	20	26	1		
2 Albany.....	8	12	1	1	11	947	1945	11	43	102	88	25	14	865	1046	1729	92	25	72	435	64	9054	10628	23300	11	71	2		
3 A. G. B.	8	12	1	1	8	321	690	69	45	82	51	5	73	368	180	180	92	25	5	11	1	5758	2492	2839	8518	12	64		
4 C. I.	8	12	1	1	12	700	1578	83	83	83	81	12	120	641	350	991	253	61	51	162	27	61	8606	125	3952	13751	9	98	
5 Delaware.....	8	12	1	1	11	330	782	75	63	102	76	15	118	825	410	323	43	43	32	30	30	5816	390	5828	14839	9	92	5	
6 N. C.	8	12	1	1	11	303	1060	41	66	97	50	10	123	559	620	641	121	94	42	30	30	7569	275	3670	14839	14	64	6	
7 N. S. New York.....	8	12	1	1	8	761	1798	112	157	141	5	16	163	609	664	290	84	42	30	30	62	10130	10300	13047	26940	14	98	7	
8 Philadelphia.....	13	1	3	1	15	1250	2822	203	171	272	197	14	288	1916	1188	3043	2900	190	96	2319	62	89	13025	1775	19175	40634	20	14	8
9 Stamford.....	3	3	3	3	5	140	300	23	13	16	20	1	17	104	188	310	24	20	5	10	5	26	2930	200	2179	6895	9	66	9
10 St. Lawrence.....	3	3	3	3	5	140	300	23	13	16	20	1	17	104	188	310	24	20	5	10	5	26	2930	200	2179	6895	9	66	
11 Vermont.....	5	5	5	5	5	135	239	2	5	9	4	4	17	88	17	88	9	11	.....	.....	.....	.....	6.0	.....	107	824	9	67	11
12 Allegheny.....	19	7	26	3	25	1009	4357	280	217	220	302	27	246	1755	2348	5116	1115	137	309	182	48	14	18212	300	10011	36635	8	41	12
13 Butler.....	15	2	17	1	31	1206	2895	194	99	156	224	18	197	1271	949	1630	665	79	74	142	20	76	10501	.....	12867	26833	11	60	13
14 Cleveland.....	6	1	6	1	9	273	635	55	56	35	6	5	346	282	690	188	3	29	108	21	20	3670	600	5844	11055	19	54	14	
15 Detroit.....	6	4	1	1	17	289	626	35	29	43	55	1	86	517	124	230	26	.....	6	162	4	.....	4153	400	1385	6090	9	72	15
16 Lakes.....	11	1	12	1	25	763	1974	91	128	118	134	15	207	97	682	1181	258	89	83	146	29	62	10330	450	11202	24883	12	20	16
17 Mercer.....	13	6	19	3	22	1131	2633	215	186	171	123	30	232	1510	981	2018	694	119	94	190	80	34	11086	.....	10190	25337	9	62	17
18 Big Spring.....	6	1	7	2	13	444	1114	42	32	42	63	2	88	373	679	1052	165	53	44	102	16	21	4982	60	3516	10771	9	96	18
19 Chartiers.....	11	2	13	3	14	791	1944	115	101	201	96	19	58	297	1190	2231	710	159	109	200	31	164	10990	.....	6181	29240	11	44	19
20 Conemaugh.....	10	3	13	2	29	1048	2135	173	92	128	168	10	144	765	849	1085	428	16	26	548	17	.....	7497	275	4081	11708	8	80	20
21 Frankfort.....	6	6	1	1	14	639	1525	35	30	79	49	6	26	255	448	667	166	12	10	613	.....	3466	.....	2487	7779	5	10	21	
22 Monaca.....	15	6	1	20	1665	3818	117	279	334	297	35	31	3093	3093	5627	1612	359	204	640	33	60	19340	125	6515	48337	12	63	22	
23 Westmont.....	11	.....	.....	.....	25	809	2124	120	104	169	129	19	133	727	747	1570	333	121	91	165	30	43	9146	60	4119	17668	8	31	23
24 Van-dell.....	7	2	8	1	15	563	1107	36	64	59	53	2	62	340	289	698	62	26	23	9	.....	6229	100	1208	20096	18	15	24	
25 Muskrum.....	9	5	13	3	22	832	2064	105	78	108	138	9	734	787	1044	302	83	75	258	20	10	7045	150	1651	17007	8	28	25	
26 Steubenville.....	10	3	13	.....	27	1695	689	183	168	92	92	83	10	65	647	1426	417	52	54	238	28	28	7753	.....	1024	13302	8	20	26
27 Wheeling.....	7	3	10	2	21	575	1341	59	72	92	83	10	84	577	645	789	216	17	105	85	20	10	6722	.....	7695	10469	12	23	27
28 Chillicothe.....	5	3	8	.....	12	400	1170	66	37	78	57	12	100	775	197	223	67	10	21	28	.....	18	5169	.....	5450	11651	9	44	28
29 Indiana.....	6	3	10	.....	11	323	870	52	34	21	26	6	55	738	375	458	217	8	5	6	.....	.....	4382	400	1341	7025	8	60	29
30 Michigan.....	6	3	8	1	11	276	631	19	26	26	2	2	62	403	210	385	17	30	21	35	.....	.....	.....	.....	1448	5161	10	28	30
31 1-4 Ohio.....	9	1	12	3	12	485	1231	51	38	30	37	7	58	385	543	734	345	86	61	41	4	107	5780	700	9458	17539	19	68	31
32 Princeton.....	2	1	141	.....	17	509	1200	84	69	91	49	9	126	695	403	610	127	23	18	93	6	21	7667	575	2891	19491	10	11	32
33 Sidney.....	4	1	12	1	17	509	1200	84	69	91	49	9	126	695	403	610	127	23	18	93	6	21	7667	575	2891	19491	10	11	32
34 Tennessee.....	4	1	1	1	4	113	237	40	17	11	23	17	23	430	65	68	29	45	600	1200	536	11346	5	45	34

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CONDENSED STATISTICS OF THE UNITED PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH FOR THE YEAR
ENDING MAY, 1868.

Synods, - - - - -	7	Foreign Missions,—Gen. Missions,	5
Missionary Presbyteries, - - - -	3	Mission stations, - - - -	40
Presbyteries, - - - - -	54	Missionaries, teachers, etc., sent	
Presbyteries organized, - - - -	2	out by the Board, - - - -	37
Congregations, - - - - -	735	Mission schools, - - - -	17
Congregations organized, - - - -	39	Pupils in schools, - - - -	60
Congregations dissolved or dismissed,	5	Native ministers, - - - -	3
Theological seminaries, - - - -	5	Preparing for the ministry, - -	6
Students of Theology not licensed,	40	Families, - - - -	28,162
Ministers, - - - - -	541	Members added on profession,	4,003
Pastors and Stated Supplies, - -	401	Members added on certificate,	4,000
Licentiates, - - - - -	62	Deaths and removals, - - - -	4,735
Licensures, - - - - -	-	Total membership reported, - -	65,612
Ordinations, - - - - -	24	Adults baptized, - - - -	493
Home Missions; Congregations and		Infants baptized, - - - -	4,122
stations receiving aid, - - - -	137	Amount contributed to church	
Ministers and Licentiates under ap-		funds, - - - -	\$110,151
pointment, - - - - -	117	Salaries p'd pastors & supplies,	346,348
Missions to Freedmen,—Stations,	5	General contributions, - - - -	279,672
Missionaries and teachers, - -	41	Total contributions, - - - -	729,639
Pupils in Sabbath schools, - -	1100	Average Salary of pastors,	863,69
Pupils in other schools, - - - -	1300	Average contribution per member,	11.12

THE FOLLOWING MINISTERS HAVE DIED DURING THE YEAR.

NAME.	PRESBYTERIES.	DATE.
Henry Allen,	1st New York,	Dec. 25th, 1867.
S. C. Baldrige,	Indiana.	Aug. 4th, 1867.
D. C. M'Vean,	Caledonia,	Sep. 7th, 1867.

THE FOLLOWING MINISTERS HAVE BEEN ORDAINED DURING THE YEAR.

NAME.	PRESBYTERY.	DATE.
W. A. Clokey,	Indiana,	January 23d, 1868.
H. W. Crabbe,	Indiana,	April, 22d, 1868.
J. C. Evans,	Allegheny,	September, 17th, 1867.
J. R. Finney,	Kansas,	June 2th, 1867.
S. R. Frazier,	1st Ohio,	June 11th, 1867.
D. M. Gelvin,	Detroit,	October 3th, 1867.
J. M. Henderson,	Moumouth,	May 2d, 1868.
J. R. Kyle,	Boston,	June 11th, 1867.
H. Y. Leiper,	1st Ohio,	January 1st, 1868.
J. H. Miller,	Mercer,	September 11th, 1867.
D. M. McClellan,	Conemaugh,	September 10th, 1867.
Joseph M'Kelvey,	Kansas,	June 2th, 1867.
Joseph M'Nab,	Lake,	September 17th, 1867.
Andrew Renwick,	Wabash,	November 28th, 1867.
J. S. Sands,	Monongahela,	April 21st, 1868.
J. S. Speer,	Westmoreland,	September 3d, 1867.
H. F. Stewart,	Lake,	May 7th, 1867.
W. R. Stewart,	Lake,	May 5th, 1868.
S. A. Taggart,	Indiana,	May 12th, 1868.
H. W. Torrence,	Philadelphia,	July 30th, 1867.
Richard Turnbull,	Des Moines,	November 13th, 1867.
S. H. Weed,	Rock Island,	October, 1867.
R. C. Welch,	Chartiers,	November 5th, 1867.
John Williamson,	Sidney,	June 18th, 1867.

ORGANIZATIONS.

PRESBYTERIES.

Cedar Rapids,.....	Synod of Iowa.....	Organized Oct. 16th, 1867
Western Missouri,.....	" of Illinois.....	" Oct. 31st, 1857

CONGREGATIONS.

PRESBYTERY.	CONGREGATION.	ORGANIZED.
Albany.....	Galway.....	.....
Allegheny.....	Etna.....	Feb. 13th, 1868.

PRESBYTERY.	CONGREGATION.	ORGANIZED.
Bloomington.....	Loda.....	Sept. 18th, 1867.
".....	New Brenton.....	May 14th, 1867.
Caledonia.....	Franklinville.....	June 25th, 1867.
Cedar Rapids.....	Marshalltown.....	Oct. 19th, 1867.
Cleveland.....	Letonia.....	April 30th, 1868.
Des Moines.....	Unity.....	Dec. 24, 1867.
".....	Cedar.....	Dec. 9th, 1867.
".....	Mt. Poler.....	.....
Indiana.....	Vicksburg, Miss.....	April 8th, 1868.
Kansas.....	Lawrence.....	June 18th, 1867.
".....	Ottawa.....	July 20th, 1867.
Keokuk.....	Living Lake.....	April 15th, 1868.
Lake.....	Freehold.....	May 16th, 1868.
Le Claire.....	Freemont.....	.....
".....	Putnam.....	.....
".....	Liberty.....	Apr. 9th, 1868.
".....	Delin.....	May 2d, 1868.
".....	Bressly.....	May 9th, 1868.
Minnesota.....	Pepon.....	Nov. 16th, 1867.
Monmouth.....	Bardolph.....	June 8th, 1867.
Muskegon.....	Pleasant Hill.....	Nov 5th, 1867.
Nebraska.....	Pawnee City.....	May 7th, 1867.
".....	Turkey Creek.....	Nov., 1867.
".....	Omaha.....	Jan., 1868.
".....	Delawan.....	March, 1868.
1st New York.....	Central Church, Brooklyn.....	July 8th, 1867.
Rock Island.....	Elkhorn.....	.....
Stenberville.....	E. Springfield.....	Nov., 1867.
St. Louis.....	Prosperity.....	May, 1867.
".....	Elkhorn.....	.....
Western Miss.-Ill.....	Thompsonville.....	Dec. 21st, 1867.
".....	Kingsville.....	Nov. 8th, 1867.
".....	Greenwood.....	March 17th, 1868.
".....	Bethel.....	March 28th, 1868.
Wisconsin.....	Tafton.....	Sept. 14th, 1867.
White River.....	White Hall.....	June 13th, 1867.
Xenia.....	Wilmington.....	.....

ALPHABETICAL LIST OF THE MINISTERS.

In this list will be found first the name of the minister, second of the Presbytery, third the Post-Office Address.

Acheson, Robert, Stamford, Galt, Canada.	Bonner, J. R., Sidney, Cannonsburgh, Ohio.
Adair, J. H., Nebraska, Indiana, Pa.	Boyd, Joseph, Steubenville, Salineville, Ohio.
Adair, John M., Big Spring, McAlevy's Fort, Pa.	Boyd, J. C., Monongahela, Mt. Lebanon, Pa.
Alexander, Josiah, Mercer, New Bedford, Pa.	Boyd, J. R., Xenia, Wilmington, Ohio.
Alexander, S., Mercer, Mount Jackson, Pa.	Boyd, R. H., Monongahela, Hulton, Pa.
Allen, A. J., Le Claire, West Union, Iowa.	Boyd, T. F., Westmoreland, Monroeville, Pa.
Anderson, A. R., Chartiers, Venice, Pa.	Brash, John, Boston, S. Boston, Mass.
Anderson, John, Michigan, Oswego, Ind.	Breadin, W. P., Butler, Coulterville, Pa.
Anderson, S., Nebraska, College Springs, Iowa.	Brittain, J. R., Lake, Greenville, Pa.
Andrew, James H., Argyle, South Argyle, N. Y.	Brown, Hugh, 2d N. Y., Brooklyn, E. D., N. Y.
Andrew, William H., Monongahela Arsenal, Pa.	Brown, James, D. D., Keokuk, Keokuk, Iowa.
Andrews, Joseph, Steubenville, Wellsville, Ohio.	Brown, J. G. D. D., Monongahela, Pittsburgh, Pa.
Arbutnot, James, Chillicothe, Harshaville, Ohio.	Brown, M. M., White River, Bloomington, Wisc.
Armstrong, J. M., Mercer, Worth, Pa.	Brown, J. H., Monmouth, Clayton, Ill.
Armstrong, J. G., St. Louis, St. Louis, Missouri.	Brown, N. E., Butler, North Liberty, Pa.
Armstrong, Robert, 1st New York, Newburgh, N. Y.	Brown, N. H., Bloomington, Taylorsville, Ill.
Arnott, Moses, Indiana, Hanover, Indiana.	Brown, Samuel, Conamach, Willet, Pa.
Ashehust, J. Y., Mansfield, Harshaville, Ohio.	Brown, Thomas, St. Louis, Central, Ill.
Ashton, A. F., Michigan, Girard, O.	Brown, R. A., D. D., Mercer, New Wilmington, Pa.
Aten, Adrian, Indiana, Steele, Indiana.	Brownlee, E. A., Chartiers, Claysville, Pa.
Aten, J. L., 1st Ohio, College Corner, Ohio.	Brownlee, J. T., Chartiers, W. Middletown, Pa.
Bailey, J. A., Lake, Sheaksville, Pa.	Bruce, James, Delaware, Andea, New York.
Bain, J. W., Sidney, Sidney, Ohio.	Bruce, Wm., Delaware, Hobart, New York.
Baldridge, B. L., Kansas, Leavenworth, Kansas.	Bruce, Wm., Phila., Baltimore, Maryland.
Balph, Thomas, Chartiers, Munnstown, Pa.	Bryan, John, White River, Bloomington, Ind.
Barnes, J. G., Allegheny, Bakerstown, Pa.	Bryson, J. C., W. Missouri, Warrensburg, Mo.
Barnett, James, D. D., Egypt, Cairo, Egypt.	Buchanan, W. H., Monmouth, Elvaston, Ill.
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 Clokey, Joseph, D. D., Xenia, Springfield, O.
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 Cochran, D. C., Kansas, Tonganoxie, Kansas.
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 Collins, J. A., Xenia, Xenia, O.
 Collins, Samuel, Indiana, Pittsburg, Pa.
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 Hutchinson, F. A., Monongahela, Nobles-town, Pa.
 Hutchinson, S. M., Muskingum, Washington, Ohio.
 Hutchinson, G. A., Chillicothe, Mendota, Ohio.
 Hutchinson, J. C., Monmouth, Monmouth, Ill.
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 Hutchinson, W. R., Butler, Saxtonburg, Pa.
 Imbrie, D. R., Mercer, New Wilmington, Pa.
 Ingles, James, White River, Scotland, Indiana.
 Irvine, S. G., Oregon, Albany, Oregon.
 Irving, C., Delaware, Kortright Centre, N. Y.
 Jackson, H. P., Lake, Waterford, Pennsylvania.
 Jackson, W. C., Philadelphia, Phila., Pa.
 Jamieson, J. M., Steubenville, Hopedale, Ohio.
 Jamison, J., Big Spring, Gettysburg, Pa.
 Jamison, S., W. Missouri, Warrensburg, Mo.
 Jamison, W. H., Butler, Petersburg, Pa.
 Jeffers, E. T., Philadelphia, Oxford, Penna.
 Jeffers, W. H., Mercer, New Wilmington, Ohio.
 Johnston, J. B., Wheeling, St. Clairsville, Ohio.
 Johnston, J. R., Chartiers, Washington, Penna.
 Johnston, W., Des Moines, Monroe, Iowa.
 Jones, D. B., Monmouth, Monmouth, Illinois.
 Katz, Oliver, Westmoreland, Salt-burgh, Pa.
 Keir, S. M., Le Claire, Winthrop, Iowa.
 Kelso, J., Westmoreland, Monroeville, Penna.
 Kendall, C., Caledonia, Buffalo, New York.
 Kendall, T. S., Oregon, Albany, Oregon.
 Kennedy, T. J., Mansfield, Fredericksburg, Ohio.
 Kennedy, D. S., Chartiers, Midway, Penna.
 Kerr, D. R., D. D., Monongahela, Pittsburgh, Pa.
 Kerr, Joseph R., Allegheny, Allegheny, Pa.
 Kerr, S., Butler, Harrisville, Pennsylvania.
 King, A. G., Delaware, Croton, N. Y.

- Kirkpatrick, N. R., Bloomington, Bloomington, Ill.
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 Lackey, T., Wisconsin, Prospect Hill, Wisconsin.
 Lansing, Gulian, D. P., Egypt, Cairo, Egypt.
 Laughhead, I. N., Keokuk, Washington, Iowa.
 Law, James, Philadelphia, Hagerstown, Iowa.
 Lawrence, Thomas, Argyle, Bonn, Germany.
 Lee, J. B., Delaware, Bovina Valley, New York.
 Leper, H. Y., 1st Ohio, 16 Mile Stand, Ohio.
 Lind, W., Michigan, Whitneyville, Michigan.
 Lindsay, D., Kansas, Garnet, Kansas.
 Littell, D. S., Chartiers, Strabano, Penna.
 Logue, J. W., Cleveland, Northfield, Ohio.
 Lorimer, W., Keokuk, Morning Sun, Iowa.
 Lorimer, S. W., Keokuk, Morning Sun, Iowa.
 Love, T., Wheeling, Shepherdstown, Ohio.
 Lytle, Jas. L., Muskingum, Sago, Ohio.
 Macdill, D., Chillicothe, Cherry Fork, Ohio.
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 Marling, M. M., St. Louis, Sparta, Illinois.
 Marshall, S. C., Muskingum, New Concord, O.
 Martin, J. F., Allegheny, Ogle, Pa.
 Martin, J. W., Steubenville, East Liverpool, Ohio.
 Martin, Samuel, Seakote, Seakote, India.
 Mathews, G. D., 2d New York, New York.
 Maughlin, J. S., Nebraska, Monona, Iowa.
 Mehard, W. A., Mercer, New Wilmington, Pa.
 Meloy, W. T., Wheeling, Cadiz, Ohio.
 Melvio, W., 1st New York.
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 Millen, S., Monmouth, Monmouth, Illinois.
 Miller, J. R., Mercer, New Wilmington, Pa.
 Mitchell, G. G., Wabash, Pittsburg, Indiana.
 Moffet, W. T., Chicago, Freeland, Illinois.
 Montgomery, A. S., Princeton, Cami, Illinois.
 Montgomery, J. H., Monmouth, Monmouth, Ill.
 Morehead, W. G., Sidney, Sarzana, Italy.
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 Morrow, D., Wabash, Logansport, Indiana.
 Morrow, J., St. Louis, Marissa, Illinois.
 Morrow, J. A., Chicago, Savannah, Illinois.
 Morrow, S. F., Albany, Albany, New York.
 Morrow, Wm., Bloomington, Chenoa, Illinois.
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 M'Arthur, S., Conemaugh, Brush Valley, Pa.
 M'Arthur, J., Monmouth, Eggsville, Illinois.
 M'Auley, D. T., Kansas, Arkansas, Kansas.
 M'Ayeal, R. A., Des Moines, Okalosa, Iowa.
 M'Burney, F., Big Spring, Chancelor, Pa.
 M'Caque, Thomas, Nebraska, Omaha, Neb.
 M'Cahan, A., Chartiers, Cannonsburg, Penna.
 M'Calister, J. K., Rock Island, Rock Island, Ill.
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 M'Cartney, A., Des Moines, Indiana, Iowa.
 M'Cartney, Thomas, Nebraska, Rock Bluff, Neb'a.
 M'Caughan, C. T., Des Moines, Winterset, Iowa.
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 M'Clure, J. T., Wheeling, Wheeling, W. Va.
 M'Connell, A. A., 2d New York, Newark, N. J.
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 M'Coy, Eljah, Monmouth, Young America, Ill.
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 M'Dowell, N., Detroit, Davisville, Mich.
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 M'Elwee, W. M. D., Frankfort, Frankfort Springs, Pa.
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 M'Farland, W. H., Muskingum, Cambridge, Ohio.
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 Rogers, James, Sidney, Cannonsburg, Ohio.
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 Ross, M. L., Albany, Kansas.
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 Smith, J. N., Kansas, Garnot, Kansas.
 Smith, J. H., Michigan, Holland, Michigan.
 Smith, P. Y., Boston, Wilton, Mass.
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 Soolgrass, M., Lake, Custard, Pa.
 Somers, W. C., Delaware, Hart, N.Y.
 Speer, J. S., Westmoreland, Buena Vista, Pa.
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 Stephenson, Thomas, Bloomington, Peoria, Ill.
 Stevenson, E. H., Sealkote, West Wilmington, Pa.
 Stevenson, J., Wheeling, West Alexander, Pa.
 Stewart, H. F., Lake, Jamstown, Penna.
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 Stewart, W. R., Lake, Adamsville, Pennsylvania.
 Story, A., Keokuk, Columbus City, Iowa.
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 Straus, Julius, 1st Ohio, Covington, Kentucky.
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 Taggart, S. A., Indiana, Spring Hill, Indiana.
 Tate, J. T., Keokuk, Talleverd, Iowa.
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 Taylor, J. W., Sidney, Belle Centre, Ohio.
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 Thomason, D., Muskingum, Milnersville, Ohio.
 Thompson, H., Sidney, Urbana, Ohio.
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 Thompson, J. M., W. Missouri, Warrensburg, Mo.
 Thompson, R. G., W. Missouri, Kingsville, Mo.
 Thompson, S. F., Chicago, Savannah, Illinois.
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 Todd, H. W., 1st New York, Paterson, N. J.
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 Torrence, H. W., Philadelphia, Philadelphia, Pa.

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 Truesdale, J. C., Bloomington, Paxton, Illinois.
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 Turner, J. D., Monongahela, Palmersville, Pa.
 Turner, T., Carmi, Illinois.
 Turner, W., White River, Bloomington, Indiana.
 Ure, D. M., Argyle, Argyle, New York.
 Vance, J. A., Wisconsin, Sussex, Wisconsin.
 Van Eaton, J., Caldwell, New York.
 Vincent, G. C., D. D., Mercer, New Wilmington, Pa.
 Waddle, B., Sidney, Keaton, Ohio.
 Waddle, J. B., Lake Evansburg, Pennsylvania.
 Waddie, J. W., Chillicothe, Deatur, Ohio.
 Waddie, W. G., Wheeling, Morfield, Ohio.
 Wade, N. E., 1st Ohio, Highm ind, Indiana.
 Walker, J. R., Indiana, Spring Hill, Indiana.
 Walker, Joseph, Muskingum, New Concord, Ohio.
 Walkinshaw, J. D., Westmoreland, W. Newton, Pa.
 Wallace, A. G., Allegheny, New Brighton, Penna.
 Wallace, D. A., D. D., Monmouth, Monmouth, Ill.
 Wallace, Henry, Rock Island, Davenport, Iowa.
 Wallace, James, Sidney, Huntville, Ohio.
 Wallace, J., Rock Island, Little York, Ill.
 Wallace, J. C., Chillicothe, Kimbilton, Ohio.
 Wallace, R. G., Wisconsin, J. H. West Centre, Wis.
 Wallace, Samuel, Sidney, Piqua, Ohio.
 Wallace, W. L., Big Spring, Newville, Penna.
 Watson, Andrew, Egypt, Waukesha, Wisconsin.
 Webster, C., St. Lawrence, Frontier, New York.
 Weed, S. H., Rock Island, Colona, Illinois.
 Weele, N. C., Monmouth, Elmira, Illinois.
 Weir, William, Allegheny, Drseyville, Penna.
 Welch, R. C., Chartiers, Taylorstown, Penna.
 White, James, Muskingum, Mt. Perry, Ohio.
 White, Joseph, Des Moines, Knoxville, Iowa.
 White, I. N., Steubenville, Gavers, Ohio.
 Whitam, J. D., Bloomington, Paxton, Illinois.
 Whitley, J. L., Detroit, Burbank, Minn.
 Whitten, J. B., Butler, Plain Grove, Pa.
 Wiley, George M., Argyle, West Hebron, N.Y.
 Williams, M. B., Argyle, Cambridge, New York.
 Williams, J. A., Albany, Johnstown, N.Y.
 Williamson, John, Sidney, Bellefontaine, Ohio.
 Williamson, R. D., Albany, Van Veshen, N.Y.
 Wilson, Isaac A., Nebraska, Wallace, Nebraska.
 Wilson, D. C., Nebraska, Clarinda, Iowa.
 Wilson, J. B., Detroit, Elkland, Mich.
 Wilson, J. T., 1st New York, Turtle Creek, Pa.
 Wilson, S., D. D., Xenia, Xenia, Ohio.
 Wilson, W. H., Keokuk, Washington, Iowa.
 Wilson, Thomas, Steubenville, Annapolis, Ohio.
 Wilson, T. J., Michigan, Martin, Michigan.
 Winter, T. W., Mercer, Lowellville, Ohio.
 Wishart, W. D., Wheeling, New Athens, Ohio.
 Witherspoon, J. W., Allegheny, Allegheny, Pa.
 Worth, J., Oregon, Brownsville, Oregon.
 Wright, J. P., Elizabeth, Indiana.
 Wright, Wellington, Keokuk, Brighton, Iowa.
 Wright, W., Xenia, Xenia, Ohio.
 Young, A., D.D., Monmouth, Monmouth, Ill.

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William Brown,	Monmouth.	J. R. Finney,	Xenia.
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R. G. Campbell,	Monongahela.	Robert Gilmore,	Xenia.
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J. B. Clapperton,	Delaware.	S. M. Hood,	Conemaugh.
J. M. Cockins,	Sidney.	S. C. Hubbell,	Lake.
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James Davis,	1st Ohio.	J. G. Madge,	Mercer.
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S. B. M'Bride,	Chartiers.	John E. Richey,	St. Louis.
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T. G. M'Coy,	Monmouth.	J. D. Smith,	Monmouth.
John M'Crea,	Princeton.	R. B. Stewart,	Wheeling.
A. T. McDill,	Monmouth.	A. B. Struthers,	Conemaugh.
J. McElree,	Butler.	J. C. Taggart,	Allegheny.
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J. W. M'Lanahan,	Rock Island.	John Taylor,	Delaware.
R. F. M'Laren,	Boston.	M. Thorn,	Lake.
Andrew M'Millan,	Monmouth.	Thomas E. Turner,	Monmouth.
A. T. M'Rea,	Conemaugh.	J. M. Wallace,	Rock Island.
David Niccoll,	Delaware.	J. W. Wallace,	Frankfort.
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M. M. Pollock,	Westmoreland.	W. C. Williamson,	Xenia.
G. A. B. Robinson,	Monongahela.	J. C. Wilson,	Xenia.
M. L. Ross,	Rock Island.	A. J. Young,	Allegheny.

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1858. Rev. J. T. Pressly, D.D.,	Pittsburgh, Pa.	1864. Rev. D. A. Wallace, D.D., Philadelphia, Pa.
1859. Rev. P. Bullions, D.D.,	Xenia, O.	1865. Rev. J. B. Clark, D. D., Washington, Iowa.
1860. Rev. J. Clokey, D. D.,	Philadelphia.	1866. Rev. D. R. Kerr, D. D., Allegheny, Pa.
1861. Rev. R. D. Harper, D. D.,	Monmouth, Ill.	1867. Rev. J. B. Dales, D. D., Xenia, O.
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1869. Rev. James Prestley, D. D.,	1866. Rev. Jas. Prestley, D.D., <i>pro tem.</i>
	1867. Rev. J. T. Cooper, D. D.,

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NEW YORK.	P. rth. N. Y., Sept. 21th, 1868.	Rev. J. B. Dales, D. D., Phils.
1st OF THE WEST.	Waterford, Pa. Sep. 29th. 1868, 7½, P. M.	Rev. J. H. Pressly, Erie, Pa.
PITTSBURGH.	Indiana, Pa., Oct. 20th, 1868, 2 P. M.	Rev. W. J. Reid, Pittsburgh, Pa.
OHIO.	Wellsville, O., Oct. 20th, 1868, 2 P. M.	Rev. R. H. Pollock, Wooster, O.
2d OF THE WEST.	Piqua, O. Oct. 15th, 1868.	Rev. R. D. Harper, D. D., Xenia, O.
ILLINOIS.	Young America, Ill., Oct., 1868.	Rev. J. A. P. McGaw, Monmouth.
IOWA.	Crawfordsville, Iowa, Sep. 30th, 1868.	Rev. W. H. Wilson, Washington,

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THE MINUTES OF THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY.

The Clerks of the Assembly have given special attention to the revision and publication of the MINUTES. They have spared neither time nor pains to secure accuracy, and to render them convenient for reference.

By order of the Assembly, a list of licentiates has been prepared. Much labour has been spent to render this list complete, but it is probably not free from mistakes. An effort was made to remedy the defects of Presbyterian reports, by reference to the published proceedings of Presbyteries, and especially to the monthly Ecclesiastical Record in the *Evangelical Repository*. Although imperfect, the list will be found valuable for reference.

The list of Organizations will be found to be an important addition to our ecclesiastical Records. Although not ordered by the Assembly, the dates of the organizations, so far as they could be ascertained, have been inserted.

This number of the Minutes completes the second volume. The INDEX has been prepared with great labour, but will be found a very valuable addition to the volume.

The STATISTICAL TABLES of the Presbyteries were much more carefully prepared than in former years, but in many cases are still sadly defective. In some instances names of well known ministers do not appear; in others, two Presbyteries report the same name. In many cases the names of licentiates are omitted, and very imperfect reports are made of the students of Theology. The Committee on Statistics, Rev. J. R. Miller, Chairman, deserve special mention for the labour which they spent on these tables, in correcting them, and preparing the summaries, and for the admirable manner in which they performed their duty.

As no special direction was given by the Assembly, the same number of copies have been issued as last year, and at the same price, namely, thirty cts. single copy, post paid, or 12 copies for \$3.00. Address Wm. S. Young, 54 North Sixth Street Philadelphia, or Rev. Samuel Collins, United Presbyterian Board of Publication Rooms, 93 Third St., Pittsburgh, Pa.

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TO THE SUBSCRIBERS OF THE REPOSITORY.

The Publisher regrets the delay in issuing the July number of Repository. It is always a difficult number, requiring more than five times the usual labour. The present number involved an especial amount of time and labour, as it contains a greater number of pages and a larger amount of matter than ordinary, and every page required severe scrutiny to obtain, as nearly as possible, exact accuracy. We trust, however, that the delay will be more than compensated by the additional advantages for reference that accompany the present number.

Mr. Wallace has, with incredible pains, as will be seen, not only furnished a copious index for the present number, but prepared a complete and extended index for the whole of the second volume of Minutes, or for the last five meetings of our General Assembly,—1864 to 1868, inclusive. The Index for the last meeting of Assembly is pagged also for the *Evangelical Repository*.

The Minutes are offered at the same low price as formerly; namely, 30 cts. or \$3.00 per dozen; being less than one third the cost to General Assembly. Complaints were made, last year, that all applicants could not be supplied. The reason was, perhaps, that they applied too late.

We therefore recommend every minister, every elder, and every officer of the church, together with all others who feel an interest in its welfare, and wish to know its progress, to avail themselves of the present opportunity to obtain a copy of the official Minutes of the Assembly, which any one may procure of the publisher, Wm. S. Young, 54 North Sixth St., Philadelphia, or the Rev. Samuel Collins, Superintendent of the United Presbyterian Board of Publication, Third St., Pittsburgh, Pa. The Number will be found to contain 104 closely printed octavo pages, including twenty-six pages of tabular matter, or condensed statistics.

The August No., now nearly in type, may be expected soon.

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