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CENTRAL PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH, }  
ROCK ISLAND, ILL., MAY 26, 1897. }

7.30 o'clock p. m.

The Thirty-Ninth General Assembly of the United Presbyterian Church of North America met according to appointment, and after devotional exercises and a sermon by James White, D. D., the Moderator of the last General Assembly, on the text, "But truly I am full of power by the Spirit of the Lord," Micah 3 : 8, was by him constituted by prayer.

Rev. C. O. McCulloch, in behalf of the Tri-City Ministerial Union, gave an address of welcome, and the Moderator responded in the name of the Assembly.

After prayer by David Paul, D. D., the Assembly adjourned to meet to-morrow morning at 9 o'clock.

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THURSDAY.

May 27, 1897, 9 o'clock a. m.

The Assembly met and was opened with prayer by M. G. Kyle, D. D.

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The clerks, as Committee on Credentials, presented the following roll, which was called :

## ROLL.

PREBYTERIES.	MINISTERS.	ELDERS.
<i>Albany</i> .....	J. A. Williamson.....	Leonard Argersinger.*
<i>Allegheny</i> .....	W. W. Lawrence.....	John L. Robertson.
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	J. C. Gibney.....	A. R. Anderson.
<i>Beaver Valley</i> .....	R. W. Kidd.....	Joseph F. Gilleland.
	J. S. Dice.....	Joseph Reed.*
	H. H. Crawford.....	John M. Kelso.
<i>Big Spring</i> .....	W. C. Adair.....	Matthew Rodgers.
	R. G. Pinkerton.....	R. C. Wilson.
<i>Boston</i> .....	T. M. Huston.....	D. H. Stewart.*
<i>Brookville</i> .....	Albert S. Stewart.....	C. R. Corbett.
<i>Butler</i> .....	R. P. McClester.....	John Cochran.
	John S. McKee, D.D.....	J. Hutchman.
	J. B. McClelland*.....	Ferguson Eakin.
<i>Caledonia</i> .....	A. B. Gilfillan.....	A. J. Smith.*
	I. P. Sankey, D.D.....	Alex. Boyd.*
<i>Cedar Rapids</i> .....	F. A. Monteith.....	H. Humphrey.*
	A. R. Paul.....	J. S. Gibson.*
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	John B. Jamison.....	W. L. Welch.
<i>Chicago</i> .....	J. A. Duff.....	Isaac Gillespie.
	R. W. French*.....	Robert Steele.
	R. J. Kyle.....	G. B. Wilson.*
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	Albert Gordon .....	H. F. Samson.
	H. H. Brownell.....	James A. Ferguson.
<i>Lake</i> .....	J. C. Wilson, D.D.....	H. M. Hayes.*
	James Dodds .....	H. H. Snodgrass.
	T. F. B. Smith.....	F. M. McClelland, M.D.*
<i>Le Claire</i> .....	S. M. McConnell.....	John Niblo.
<i>Los Angeles</i> .....	H. W. Crabbe*.....	J. T. Lourie.*
	W. W. Logan.....	A. J. Greer.*
<i>Mansfield</i> .....	W. E. Shaw.....	John T. Lytle.
	J. T. Caldwell.....	Matthew Hindman.
<i>Mercer</i> .....	E. N. McElree, D.D.....	T. A. Black.*
	I. T. Wright.....	Hugh Braham.
<i>Monmouth</i> .....	J. P. Nesbit.....	J. F. Thompson.
	N. H. Brown.....	W. A. Lukens.*
	T. H. Hanna, D.D.....	John Mekenson.*
<i>Monongahela</i> .....	R. A. Elliott.....	C. J. Morrow.
	J. W. English.....	David Blair.
	W. S. Nevin.....	James Large.
	J. K. McClurkin, D.D.....	T. H. Hultz.
	J. F. Ray.....	M. H. Henning.
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<i>Muskingum</i> .....	J. H. Nash.....	J. A. Crow.
	David Paul, D.D.....	F. E. Richey.
	J. W. Taylor.....	J. L. Moore.*
<i>New York</i> .....	Arney S. Biddle.....	John Means.*
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<i>Philadelphia</i> .....	James Crowe .....	Wm. Britain.
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	W. M. Anderson.....	John Wilson.*
<i>Pittsburg</i> .....	J. S. Swogger.....	E. Bogle.*
<i>Princeton</i> .....	W. T. Warnock.....	Paul G. Spencer.
<i>Puget Sound</i> .....	W. G. M. Hays, D.D.....	Col. I. S. Bogle.*
<i>Rock Island</i> .....	W. M. Story.....	J. W. Reynolds.*
	S. F. Clark.....	Spencer McCreight.*
<i>San Francisco</i> .....	G. McCormick, D.D*.....	John McKay.*
	J. C. Lynn.....	W. H. Clark.*
<i>Sidney</i> .....	G. W. Hamilton, D.D.....	Geo. T. Boyd.
	J. F. McKnight.....	S. M. Torrence.
<i>Spokane</i> .....	H. J. Bell.....	W. H. Shields.*
<i>Stamford</i> .....	A. G. King, D.D.....	James Peddie.*
<i>Steuenville</i> .....	H. Y. Leiper.....	J. B. Van Fossen.
	W. C. Dunn.....	H. F. Littell, M. D.
	J. B. Gowdy.....	Angus McBane.
<i>Tennessee</i> .....	J. R. Millin.....	Lewis Griffiths.*
<i>Vermont</i> .....	Frank A. Collins*.....	S. F. Nelson.*
<i>Westmoreland</i> .....	J. S. Hill.....	W. A. Miller.*
	Geo. W. Whiteside.....	J. G. Latimer.
	Daniel M. Thorn*.....	C. M. Clifford.
	Major E. Dunn.....	R. A. Armstrong.*
<i>Wheeling</i> .....	J. H. Littell*.....	John Dubois.
	J. B. Ricketts.....	Samuel Gooden.*
	J. H. Spencer.....	A. J. McFarland.*
<i>Wisconsin</i> .....	J. B. Galloway.....	Alfred McKercher.
<i>Xenia</i> .....	R. G. Ramsey.....	Joseph Holmes.
	A. K. Straue.....	John Cooper.*
	E. R. Davidson.....	James Watt.

The minutes of the last session were read and approved.

Thos. H. Hanna, D. D., of the Presbytery of Monmouth, was elected Moderator.

The printed reports of the following Boards were presented and referred, without reading, to the committees on the respective boards: Foreign Missions, Home Missions, Freedmen's Missions, Church Extension, Publication, Education and Ministerial Relief.

The report of the General Committee of Home Missions was presented and referred to the Committee on the Board of Home Missions.

The report of the Women's Board was presented and referred to a special committee on Women's Work.

The Second Clerk presented summaries of the statistics of the Church for the past year, which were referred to the Committee on Statistics.

\*—Absent.



The credentials of Rev. M. Van Vessem, delegate from the Christian Reformed Church of North America, were read, and referred to the Committee on Correspondence, and his address was made the first order of the day for this afternoon.

The report of the Trustees of the General Assembly was read and referred to the Committee on Finance.

Memorials from the Presbyteries of Butler and Westmoreland, asking for the organization of a new presbytery to be called the Presbytery of Kiskiminetas, were read and referred to the Committee on Bills and Overtures.

Memorials from the Presbyteries of Allegheny, Butler, Monmouth, Boston and Westmoreland, asking for a standing rule with regard to an annual thanksgiving proclamation by the officials of the General Assembly, were read and referred to the Committee on Bills and Overtures.

Memorials from the Presbytery of Allegheny, and from the conference of representatives of the colleges and theological seminaries, asking for the appointment of a permanent committee on the establishment and location of new denominational colleges, were read and referred to the Committee on Education.

Memorials from the Presbyteries of Allegheny and Westmoreland, on the methods of gathering information for the report of the Committee on Narrative and State of Religion, were read and referred to the Committee on Bills and Overtures.

Memorials from the Presbyteries of Rock Island and New York, asking that steps be taken toward changing the present method of making pastoral settlements, were read and referred to the Committee on Bills and Overtures.

A memorial from Beaver Valley Presbytery, asking for a change in the mode of distributing unemployed ministers, was read and referred to the Committee on Bills and Overtures.

A memorial from the Board of Directors of the Allegheny Theological Seminary, on educational qualifications for the gospel ministry, was read and referred to the Committee on Theological Seminaries.

A memorial from College Springs Presbytery, asking theological seminaries not to receive or to dismiss apparently unqualified students, was read and referred to the Committee on Theological Seminaries.

A memorial from the Presbytery of Cedar Rapids, on the equalization of the salaries of home missionaries and the salaries of the officers of the boards, was read and referred to the Committee on Finance.

Memorials from the Presbyteries of Spokane, Puget Sound, Illinois Southern, North Platte, Pawnee and Omaha, asking that Waitsburg Academy, Marissa Academy and Pawnee City Academy be included with the institutions receiving aid from the college and seminary fund, were read and referred to the Committee on Education.

The hours of meeting were fixed at 9 A. M. and 2 and 7:30 P. M.; and the hours of adjournment at 12 M. and 5 and 9 P. M.

A memorial from the Presbytery of Omaha, asking the Assembly to express its judgment on the use of the title "United Presbyterian" in individual and corporate enterprises not under the control of the Church, was read and referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

A memorial from the Presbytery of San Francisco, asking for a deliverance on the scriptural authority for deaconesses, was read and referred to the Committee on Bills and Overtures.

A memorial from Oregon Presbytery, on the Whitman Memorial, was read and referred to the Committee on Finance.

The statements of the treasurers of the General Assembly, and of the Boards of Foreign Missions, Home Missions, Freedmen's Missions, Church Extension, Publication, Education, Ministerial Relief, and of the treasurer of the Gibson Trust Fund, were read and referred to the Committee on Finance.

The report of the Board of Foreign Missions, on the salaries and allowances of single women missionaries, was read and referred to the Committees on the Foreign and the Women's Boards.

The appeal of Rev. Jivan Mal from a decision of the Synod of Punjab was read and, with accompanying papers, was referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

The report of the Board of Directors of the Allegheny Theological Seminary was read and referred to the Committee on Theological Seminaries.

The report of the Managers of the Xenia Theological Seminary was read and referred to the Committee on Theological Seminaries.

The report of the Superintendents of Newburgh Theological Seminary concerning the Summer School was read and referred to the Committee on Theological Seminaries.

The report of the Committee on the Course of Study in Theological Seminaries was read and referred to the Committee on Theological Seminaries.

After prayer by Rev. James Crowe, the Assembly adjourned.

2 o'clock p. m.

The Assembly met and was opened with prayer by the Moderator.

The calling of the roll was dispensed with. The minutes of the last session were read and approved.

A special committee on Women's Work was ordered.

As much of the report of the Board of Publication as has reference to Sabbath-schools was referred to the Committee on Sabbath-schools.

Rev. M. Van Vessem, delegate from the Christian Reformed Church, presented the greetings of the body he represents, and the Moderator responded in the name of the Assembly.

The Sabbath-school statistics of the United Presbyterian Church were presented and referred to the Committee on Sabbath-schools.

A resolution on hearing the representatives of the boards was read and referred to the Committee on Devotional Exercises.

A memorial of La Prairie session, asking a deliverance on the Modern Woodmen of America, was read and referred to the Committee on Bills and Overtures.

The bills of expenses of committees were referred to the Committee on Finance.

The report of the treasurer of the Home Missionary Conference of the Assembly of 1896 was referred to the Committee on Finance.

The credentials of Rev. S. W. Reid, delegate from the Associate Reformed Synod of the South, were read and referred to the Committee on Correspondence. A letter from Rev. S. W. Reid was read and referred to the Committee on Correspondence.

The report of Rev. A. I. Young, delegate to the General Synod of the Reformed Church in America, was read and referred to the Committee on Correspondence.

The report of A. S. Vincent, D. D., delegate to the Associate Reformed Synod of the South, was read and referred to the Committee on Correspondence.

The report of J. O. Campbell, D. D., delegate to the General Synod of the Reformed Church in America, was read and referred to the Committee on Correspondence.

The report of the Committee to visit the Synod of the Holland Christian Reformed Church was read and referred to the Committee on Correspondence.

The credentials of W. S. Owens, D. D., as delegate from western section of the executive commission of the Presbyterian Alliance, were read and referred to the Committee on Correspondence.

The Minutes of the General Assembly, and of the Synods of New York, Illinois, Iowa, Nebraska, Columbia, Pittsburgh, Kansas, Ohio, First of the West, California, and the Punjab, and of the Presbytery of Egypt for 1896, and of the Synod of Kansas for 1895, were presented and referred to the Committee on Revision.

The report of the Committee on the Federation of the Churches was read and placed on the docket.

The report of the Committee on a Thanksgiving Proclamation was read and adopted.

The report of the Permanent Committee on Reform was read and adopted. The nomination of the committee provided

for in the third resolution of this report was referred to the Committee on Nominations.

The report of the Committee on a Union Metrical Version of the Psalms was read and adopted.

The report of the Committee on Ways and Means was read and referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

The report of the Committee on Railroad Fare was read and adopted.

The Moderator nominated and the Assembly confirmed the following standing committees :

#### STANDING COMMITTEES.

Judiciary—Revs. E. N. McElree, D. D., David Paul, D. D., Joseph Calhoun, D. D., James Crowe; Elders T. B. H. Brownlee, N. M. Brown, J. F. Thompson.

Bills and Overtures—Revs. M. G. Kyle, D. D., J. P. Cowan, D. D., G. W. Hamilton, D. D., J. C. Wilson, D. D.; Elders W. M. Robertson, G. S. Benawa, R. M. Knox.

Foreign Missions—Revs. John S. McKee, D. D., J. G. Kennedy, R. J. McCready; Elders S. F. Stewart, S. M. Torrence.

Home Missions—Revs. J. A. Williamson, J. A. Duff, W. J. McMichael; Elders James D. Ferguson, J. T. Lytle.

Freedmen's Board—Revs. R. W. Kidd, J. A. Monteith, Alexander McLachlan; Elders T. E. Patton, Geo. T. Boyd.

Education—Revs. James A. Thompson, D. D., J. W. English, J. B. Ricketts; Elders J. T. Cochran, T. S. Frazer.

Church Extension—Revs. H. F. Wallace, D. D., R. E. McClure, Edgar MacDill; Elders J. P. Wherry, J. L. Glasgow.

Publication—Revs. W. G. M. Hays, D. D., Arney S. Biddle, H. P. Jackson; Elders Joseph F. Gilliland, Matthew Hindman.

Ministerial Relief—Revs. J. A. Reed, D. D., W. R. McKee, D. D., R. E. Wilkin; Elders James Large, C. M. Clifford.

Sabbath-schools—Revs. Wm. S. Owens, D. D., R. J. Miller, D. D., W. W. Logan; Elders C. J. Morrow, H. F. Littell, M. D.

Finance—Revs. A. H. Calvert, J. C. Gibney, Wm. S. Nevin; Elders S. B. Floyd, Wm. G. Maxwell.

Statistics—Revs. Wm. H. Vincent, D. D., N. H. Brown, J. A. McCalmont; Elders Joseph Holmes, John Dubois.

Correspondence—Revs. J. T. McCrory, D. D., S. C. Ewing, D. D., John B. Jamison; Elders Pressly Duncan, S. M. White.

Devotional Exercises—Revs. Wm. M. Story, J. W. Ashwood, J. C. Lynn; Elders J. G. LaFimer, J. B. Van Fossen.

Revision—Revs. J. P. Sankey, D. D., W. W. Lawrence, I. T. Wright; Elders T. H. Hultz, Paul G. Spencer.

Nominations—Revs. James Bruce, D. D., W. A. McConnell, D. D., Albert Gordon; Elders M. H. Henning, John McGeoch.

Theological Seminaries—Revs. C. H. Strong, D. D., J. S. Barr, D. D., J. K. Montgomery, H. D. Leiper, A. G. King, D. D.

Appropriations—Revs. Edgar MacDill, J. A. Williamson, James A. Thompson, D. D., J. A. Monteith, A. S. Biddle, R. E. Wilkin, J. C. Gibney, John S. McKee, D. D.,

The Moderator nominated and the Assembly confirmed the following special committee :

SPECIAL COMMITTEE.

Women's Work—Revs. J. K. McClurkin, D. D., R. G. Ramsey, W. E. Shaw; Elders T. B. H. Brownlee, James D. Ferguson.

The report of the Committee of Conference with the Society of Christian Endeavor was read and adopted.

The report on the union of the Junior Missionary Societies and the Junior Unions was read and adopted.

The report of the Committee on Union with the Holland Christian Reformed Church was read and adopted.

The report of the Committee on the Program for Memorial Services was read, amended and adopted.

The report of the Committee on Special Contributions for Home Missions was read and adopted.

The report of the Committee on Union with the Associate Reformed Synod of the South was read and adopted.

The report of the Committee on Annuities was read and referred to the Committee on Finance.

The report of the Committee on Seminary Control was read and adopted, and the Committee was continued.

The report of the General Committee on Young People's Work was read and referred to a Special Committee on Young People's Work. The Moderator nominated and the Assembly confirmed this committee as follows :

SPECIAL COMMITTEE.

On Young People's Work—Revs. J. Knox Montgomery, J. W. Astwood, D. W. McQuiston, T. M. Huston; Elder M. H. Henning.

The report of the Committee on Conferences during this Assembly was read and adopted.

Spent some time in devotional exercises under the direction of the Moderator.

The report of the Historical Society was read and adopted.

The report of the Trustees of the Wm. Reed estate was read and adopted.

The following list of Presbyterial Financial Agents, Superintendents of Missions, Superintendents of Sabbath-schools, and Secretaries of Christian Unions was approved :

PRESBYTERIAL FINANCIAL AGENTS, SUPERINTENDENTS OF MISSIONS, SABBATH SCHOOL SUPERINTENDENTS AND SECRETARIES OF CHRISTIAN UNIONS.

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S. C. U., Rev. Huber Ferguson, Caledonia, N. Y.
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A memorial from the W. C. T. U., asking the appointment of a Temperance Sabbath, was read and referred to the Committee on Devotional Exercises.

A request to appoint delegates to the Eleventh National Temperance Convention was read and referred to the Committee on Nominations, with instructions to nominate said delegates.

A request from the American Anti-Saloon League, for the appointment of delegates to attend the next Anti-Saloon Convention was read. During the discussion of this request the hour of adjournment arrived, when the Assembly adjourned after prayer by A. G. King, D. D.

7.30 o'clock p. m.

The Assembly met and was opened with prayer by Rev. J. C. Elliott.

The calling of the roll was dispensed with. The minutes of the last session were read and approved.

Proceeded to the order of the day, a conference on Missions, Rev. R. G. Ramsey in the chair. At 9 o'clock the conference rose and reported through its chairman to the Assembly, that there had been a profitable conference on the mission work of our Church. This report was adopted.

After prayer by Rev. J. W. Taylor the Assembly adjourned.

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#### FRIDAY.

May 28, 1897, 9 o'clock a. m.

The Assembly met and was opened with prayer by W. W. Barr, D. D.

The calling of the roll was dispensed with. The minutes of the last session were read and approved.

A memorial from Marissa session, asking a deliverance as to membership in the Modern Woodmen of America, was read and referred to the Committee on Bills and Overtures.

The report of the Permanent Committee on Narrative and State of Religion was read and adopted, except the suggestions of

the concluding paragraph, which were referred to the Committee on Publication.

The report of Rev. A. M. Campbell, delegate to the General Assembly of the Presbyterian Church, was read and referred to the Committee on Correspondence.

The action of the General Assembly of the Presbyterian Church on Sabbath observance was read and referred to a special committee on Reform.

The Moderator nominated and the Assembly confirmed the following special committee on Reform:

#### SPECIAL COMMITTEE.

On Reform—Revs. J. Knox Montgomery, J. G. Kennedy, James Dodds, R. G. Ramsey; Elder J. W. Robertson, M. D.

The annual report of the Executive Commission, Western Section, of the Alliance of Reformed Churches was read. So much of the report as refers to the expenses of the Alliance was referred to the Committee on Finance; the plan of co-operation in home mission work was referred to the Committee on Home Missions; the nomination of delegates to the Seventh General Council was referred to the Committee on Nominations.

The consideration of the report of the Committee on Foreign Missions was made the first order of the day for Monday afternoon.

The consideration of the report of the Committee on Education was made the order of the day for 4 p. m. Monday.

The request from the American Anti-Saloon League for the appointment of delegates to the next Anti-Saloon convention was referred to the special Committee on Reform.

Spent some time in devotional exercises under the direction of the Moderator.

The following partial report of the Committee on Correspondence was adopted:

#### PARTIAL REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON CORRESPONDENCE.

We have received the credentials of Rev. S. W. Reid, Jr., as fraternal delegate, representing the Associate Reformed Synod of the South. These credentials are accompanied by a letter, bearing the regrets of this dele-

gate on account of his inability to be present at the Assembly, and conveying the greetings of the Synod. As there is present in the Assembly a minister of that Synod, Rev. W. W. Orr, we recommend that, in connection with the reading of the communication of the fraternal delegate, the courtesies of the Assembly be extended to Rev. W. W. Orr, and that he be invited to address the Assembly.

In accordance with the recommendation of this report, Rev. W. W. Orr, presented the Christian congratulations of the Associate Reformed Synod of the South, and the Moderator responded in behalf of the Assembly.

The consideration of the report of the Committee on Freedmen's Missions was made the order of the day for 10.30 a. m. Monday.

The report of the Committee on the Federation of the Churches was taken from the docket and adopted, and the committee was continued.

Invitations from several places for the next meeting of the Assembly were presented and referred to the Committee on Correspondence.

After prayer by Rev. A. H. Calvert the Assembly adjourned.

2 o'clock p. m.

The Assembly met and was opened with prayer by Rev. J. B. Clapperton.

The calling of the roll was dispensed with. The minutes of the last session were read and approved.

The report of the Judiciary Committee in the case of the appeal of Rev. Jivan Mal was adopted. It is as follows :

#### REPORT ON THE APPEAL OF REV. JIVAN MAL.

Your committee finds in every respect regular the appeal of Rev. Jivan Mal from a decision of the Synod of the Punjab, that an ordained minister is not eligible to the office of ruling elder in any congregation.

We, therefore, recommend that the Assembly take up and consider the appeal.

After reading the records and hearing the parties, the appeal was not sustained.

The consideration of the report of the Committee on Home Missions was made the first order of the day for Tuesday morning.

Some time was spent in devotional exercises under the direction of the Moderator.

The consideration of the report of the Committee on Women's Work was made the order of the day for 10 o'clock to-morrow morning.

The Assembly adjourned with prayer by Rev. R. J. Kyle.

7.30 o'clock p. m.

The Assembly met and was opened with prayer by G. W. Hamilton, D. D.

The calling of the roll was dispensed with. The minutes of the last session were read and approved.

The consideration of the report on Theological Seminaries was made the first order of the day for to-morrow morning after devotional exercises.

Proceeded to the order of the day, a memorial service for our deceased ministers, J. C. Wilson, D. D., in the chair. At the close of the service, the chairman reported that the program adopted by the Assembly had been carried out, and a most profitable conference had been held.

After prayer by the Moderator the Assembly adjourned.

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## SATURDAY.

May 29, 1897, 9 o'clock a. m.

The Assembly met and was opened with prayer by Rev. J. F. Ross.

The roll was called and absentees marked. The minutes of the last session were read and approved.

Proceeded to the order of the day, the consideration of the report of the Committee on Theological Seminaries. After adopting the first, second, and third sections of this report, the hour for the second order of the day arrived, and the Assembly pro-

ceeded to the consideration of the report of the Committee on Women's Work. This report was adopted. It is as follows :

#### REPORT ON WOMEN'S WORK

The annual report of the Women's General Missionary Society submitted to the Assembly shows that the blessing of the Head of the Church continues to rest in a very marked and special manner upon this organized work of the United Presbyterian women. The records of the year past show that the women of our Church are characterized by liberality, by a consecrated purpose and by a spirit that is alert to enter the opening door of service.

An inspiring annual convention has just been held in Indianola, Iowa, and the workers are already bending their energies to the heavier demands and the wider opportunities of the coming year.

Although the past year has been one of financial stringency, the Women's Missionary Society has contributed, along the lines of its varied work, \$61,000. We also note with satisfaction that these earnest financial efforts on the part of the Women's Society have not lessened the general contributions of the Church.

In commendation of the Women's Board it may also be recorded that it has worked in unbroken harmony with the boards of the Assembly, and has undertaken no work without the advice or approval of that board with which its department of work harmonizes.

In the foreign field such statements as the following indicate the far-reaching extent of the work: The salaries of 32 missionary women have been paid. Support has been given to school and zenana work both in Egypt and India. In connection with the hospitals and dispensaries in the latter country more than 36,000 patients have received treatment, while bodily help is constantly made the occasion for conveying a message of the Saviour to the soul of the sufferer.

In the home field nine workers have been supported, two of whom are ministers laboring among the Indians of the Warm Springs Agency.

In the Freedmen's work sixteen industrial teachers and matrons of homes have been supported. At Camden, Alabama, the Women's Board gave generous help in an hour of pressing need, and undertook the erection of a school building and teachers' home at a cost of \$3,500.

In church extension and parsonage work the board has contributed more than \$4,000, and in all other divisions of the women's work most encouraging tokens of effective service have been given.

There are now 1,020 societies, and a membership of 23,000. These figures show an increase during the year of 4,000 members.

We recommend the following resolutions for adoption:

Resolved, 1. That the Assembly has received with satisfaction and gratitude the report of the Women's General Missionary Society and rejoices in the abundant blessings that have been received, and in the signs of effective service for the future.

2. That our pastors and sessions again be urged to give helpful encouragement to the Women's Missionary societies in their congregations, and to lead the energies of the women more and more toward this organized work of the Church.

It was resolved that, when the Assembly adjourns, it adjourn until Monday at 9 o'clock a. m.

The report on pensioning retired missionaries and on the salaries of Women's Medical Missionaries was read. The first



resolution was amended and adopted. During the discussion of the second resolution the hour of adjournment arrived. By courtesy of the Assembly, Rev. Edward Thomson, LL. D., general manager of the Sabbath League of America presented the cause which he represents.

The Assembly adjourned with prayer by Rev. J. R. J. Milligan.

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## MONDAY.

May 31, 1897, 9 o'clock a. m.

The Assembly met and was opened with prayer by J. S. Barr, D. D.

A memorial for the designation of a day during the Week of Prayer to be devoted to temperance was presented and referred to the Special Committee on Reform.

A communication from Robert Stewart, D. D., who was authorized by Rev. Jivan Mal to prosecute his appeal before the Assembly was received, but as the case was already decided it was placed on file.

The Committee on Correspondence presented a partial report, which was adopted. It is as follows :

### PARTIAL REPORT ON CORRESPONDENCE.

Your committee has received notice of the appointment of Rev. William L. Marquis, of this city, as fraternal delegate to represent the Presbyterian Church before this Assembly. We recommend that he be invited to address the Assembly at 11.30 A. M. on Tuesday.

Proceeded to unfinished business, the consideration of the report of the Committee on Theological Seminaries. This report, as amended and adopted, is as follows :

### REPORT ON THEOLOGICAL SEMINARIES.

#### I. OUR THEOLOGICAL SEMINARIES.

The documents put into our hands from the Xenia and Allegheny Theological Seminaries indicate a gratifying measure of prosperity during the past year, both as to attendance and progress of students, and as to the work of the faculties. The attendance has been larger than in any previous year. There were 59 regular students in attendance at Xenia, and 89 at Allegheny. The members of the respective faculties have been able to

attend to their duties with regularity. A training school for Christian workers was conducted in each of these institutions. On September 15, 1896, J. D. Irons, D. D., was duly installed as professor of Hebrew and Old Testament Literature in the Xenia Seminary. In the same seminary Dr. James Harper pressed his resignation of the chair of Systematic Theology. This was accepted by the Board of Managers with great reluctance. He has, however, consented to continue in the work until August, 1898, thus giving the board some time to make choice of his successor.

We offer the following for adoption:

Resolved, 1. We express our gratitude to God for his continued blessing on this department of our work.

2. We very highly appreciate the diligence, faithfulness and efficiency of the faculties of our theological seminaries.

3. We express our pleasure that a training school for Christian workers has been opened in connection with our seminaries, and also at the encouraging report of the work done in this department. We most heartily commend this department to all who can avail themselves of this opportunity for better equipment for Christ's service.

4. Touching the resignation of Dr. James Harper, that most eminent instructor in systematic theology, we would give the following expression: We regret that Dr. Harper has felt it necessary to press his resignation to final acceptance, but we are pleased to learn that he will continue his work in the seminary for another year. We express our gratitude to God who has given this servant of Christ such large endowments and equipment, and that he has continued him in this service in the theological seminaries at Newburgh and Xenia for the period of some thirty years. The Church gladly recognizes her obligation to him for the sound and comprehensive theological training he has given to many of our ministers. We pray that the peace of God, which passeth understanding, may abide with him, and abound more and more.

5. On behalf of the Board of Managers of the Xenia Theological Seminary we will join them in prayer to God for his guidance in their choice of a successor to Dr. James Harper.

#### II. THE NEWBURGH SUMMER SCHOOL.

We have heard with pleasure of the work done in Bible study and the instruction given in methods of practical Christian work. We commend this school to the patronage of those who may be able to attend.

#### III. THE COURSE OF STUDY IN THE THEOLOGICAL SEMINARIES.

We recommend the adoption of the report of the Assembly's committee on course of study in our theological seminaries.

#### IV. QUALIFICATIONS FOR THE GOSPEL MINISTRY.

Two memorials touching this subject were placed in our hands, one from the Board of Directors of the Allegheny Seminary, and one from College Springs Presbytery. The subject is one of weighty and practical importance. In response to these memorials we would offer the following:

Resolved, 1. We earnestly enjoin upon our presbyteries to exercise the most careful scrutiny in receiving students of theology under their care. While we readily recognize the fact that God may and does call men into the ministry of his word whose literary attainments may not be of a high order, we feel that presbyteries should use every effort to stimulate such persons to extra diligence to secure this necessary attainment. While due attention should be given to the scholastic attainments of those who are seeking to enter the gospel ministry, very special attention should be given to the personal character, natural attainments, spiritual endowment, and to the evidence of a divine call to this work. No person should be admitted

as a student of theology until after he has been carefully examined by the presbytery touching these fundamental matters. Presbyteries may not shift this responsibility upon the faculties of our seminaries.

2. On the other hand we would enjoin upon the faculties of our seminaries that they should give the fullest and freest expression of their judgment to the presbyteries from which the students come on all questions pertaining to the spiritual, Biblical, and literary qualifications and attainments of these candidates for the ministry of the gospel. It is not designed that any one called by the divine Spirit should be discouraged, but that each one should be led to consider well this high calling, and be induced to seek the highest possible equipment for this work.

3. In view of the grave importance of greater care in the introduction of young men into the ministry of the gospel, that a committee of three ministers be appointed, whose duty it shall be, during the coming year, to call the attention of the presbyteries of the Church to the action of the General Assembly on the subject, and to suggest suitable measures for adoption by the presbyteries; this committee to report to the next General Assembly.

The nomination of the committee provided for in the third resolution of Section IV. of this report was referred to the Committee on Nominations. Before the adoption of the resolution concerning the resignation of Prof. James Harper, D. D., the Moderator by vote led the Assembly in prayer. The resolution was adopted by a rising vote, and the officers of the Assembly were directed to transmit a telegram to Dr. Harper, assuring him of the Assembly's tender sympathy with him in his affliction, and of the heartfelt love and gratitude of the whole Church.

Proceeded to the discussion of the report on Salaries of Women Medical Missionaries. During this discussion, the hour of order of the day arrived, the consideration of the report of the Committee on Freedmen's Missions. This report, as amended and adopted, is as follows :

#### REPORT ON FREEDMEN'S MISSIONS.

There was referred to your committee the report of the Board of Freedmen's Missions. From this we select for your attention and action the following points:

1. The past year has been one of great trial to some of the mission stations, and also of considerable success all along the line.

2. On December 25 the girls' dormitory and the general boarding hall at Knoxville, Tenn., was entirely destroyed by fire; and until replaced our work there will be seriously retarded. Our board hopes to rebuild in the near future. The Knoxville congregation and our workers there out of their small salaries have pledged nearly \$2,000.

3. We have now six organized congregations with a total membership of 582. There has been an average accession of 17 to each congregation, which certainly is very encouraging. In the twelve schools there is an at-

tendance of 3,379; and we have a total of 82 laborers in the field. The religious aspect of our work among the freedmen is most encouraging. We call attention to the fact that 20,000 children in various parts of the Southland are taught, both in day schools and Sabbath-schools, by young men and women who have been trained in our missions. Our mission stations are fountains of blessing to the entire south.

4. Your committee would recommend the following resolutions for adoption:

Resolved, 1. That the report of the Board of Freedmen's Missions be approved.

2. That the Assembly approves and highly appreciates the conduct of the board, and the faithfulness and efficiency of its officers.

3. That inasmuch as it is absolutely necessary for the successful prosecution of our work, not only at Knoxville, but throughout the entire south, that Elvathian Hall be rebuilt, the presbyteries be directed to make their contributions to this board as early in the year as possible, and the board be instructed to begin the rebuilding of said hall at an early day.

4. That we hereby express our gratitude to God for his blessing on the work and the workers during the past year, and beseech his continued favor in time to come.

5. That the board be asked to publish in its annual report a statistical table, showing the work of all the congregations and Sabbath-schools under its care.

The fourth resolution of this report was adopted by a rising vote.

Resumed the consideration of the report on the Salaries of Women Medical Missionaries. This report, as amended and adopted, is as follows :

#### REPORT ON PENSIONING DISABLED WOMEN MISSIONARIES AND ON THE SALARIES OF WOMEN MEDICAL MISSIONARIES.

Two subjects have been referred to your Committee on Foreign Missions and your Committee on Women's Work. The first subject relates to the matter of extending financial help to our women missionaries, who are no longer able to carry on an active work in the foreign field. The second is a proposition to increase the salaries of our medical women missionaries.

In reference to the proposal to provide financial assistance for our disabled women missionaries, the committee are unanimous in the conviction that more generous assistance should be extended to those women who have carried faithfully the burdens of missionary toil, and that this aid should be given according to a fixed and definite plan. We therefore jointly recommend the following:

Resolved, That the matter of retiring missionaries on a stated pension be referred to the Board of Foreign Missions and Women's Board, with instructions to report to the next General Assembly; also, that any missionary women, who are compelled to return home because of sickness or continued ill health, may receive assistance according as their needs may require in the judgment of the Women's Board.

As regards an increase in the salaries of our medical women missionaries:

Resolved, That the question of the increase of the salaries of the medical women missionaries above that allowed to others be referred to the Board of Foreign Missions and the Women's Board jointly, to report to the next Assembly.

A telegram from the United Brethren General Conference was read and referred to the Committee on Correspondence.

After prayer by Rev. J. H. Nash the Assembly adjourned.

2 o'clock p. m.

The Assembly met and was opened with prayer by Rev. J. Knox Montgomery.

The calling of the roll was dispensed with. The minutes of the last session were read and approved.

A paper on contributions to special objects was read and placed on the docket.

The Committee on the Board of Foreign Missions presented the following report, which was adopted :

#### REPORT ON FOREIGN MISSIONS.

Your committee, having carefully examined the report of the Board of Foreign Missions, would call special attention to these points:

1. God has been calling the workers home. During the year one active missionary—Mrs. David Strang, two native ministers, Rev. Iscaros Massood and Rev. J. Clement, and two retired missionaries, Miss Martha J. McKown and D. R. Johnson, M. D., have been called to their reward. They rest from their labors and their works follow them. Let us learn the lessons taught by their lives, and fill up the depleted ranks.

2. God has greatly blessed the work of the missionaries during the past year. The report shows that there has been marked progress all along the line. A special baptism of the Holy Spirit, granted in India, has revived and cheered the hearts of the workers, and encourages the hope that soon under the divine blessing a large number of active, self-sustaining congregations will be established as centers of home missionary effort and influence.

3. God has been sending workers into the field, thereby bringing new life and hope to the faithful, toil-worn veterans. By these new missionaries, and the return of two who had formerly been in the service, eight workers have been added to the force in Egypt and six to India. The Lord of the harvest is sending forth laborers into his harvest.

4. The financial conditions call for earnest thought, and prompt and liberal action. The board was compelled to close the year with an indebtedness which, while it may seem small in itself, yet, with the present policy of the board, means either retrenchment or prompt and most liberal offerings on the part of the Church.

In view of these and other facts presented in this report, we offer the following resolutions:

Resolved, 1. That we express our gratitude to God for the blessing bestowed on our foreign mission work, and humbly implore his favor and guidance for the coming year.

2. That we commend the financial policy of the board and testify our appreciation of their faithful and efficient management of the work committed to their care.

3. That this Assembly confirm the appointment of Mr. James G. Hunt as missionary to Egypt; Mr. W. B. Anderson to India; Miss Laurella G. Dickson to India; Miss Mary A. Platter, M. D., to India; Prof. Robert S. McClenahan to Egypt, and Rev. Robert R. McClure to India, leaving the

time of their going out to the discretion of the board; that the Assembly give authority to the board to send a woman medical missionary to India and an additional woman missionary to Egypt; that in view of a recent medical examination and the judgment of a most trustworthy physician adverse to Rev. E. E. Fife's return to India, his reappointment is not recommended.

4. That we again call the attention of our congregations to the importance of making their contributions to the mission work of the Church early in the year.

5. That this Assembly hereby thank the kind friends who have brought good cheer to the board during the past year, and especially those not identified with our Church.

Spent some time in devotional exercises under direction of the Moderator.

The following partial report of the Committee on Correspondence was adopted :

#### PARTIAL REPORT ON CORRESPONDENCE.

In response to the greeting from the United Brethren General Conference we recommend that the following telegram be forwarded by the officers of the Assembly:

To the United Brethren General Conference, in session at Dublin, Ind.: Dear Brethren:—The United Presbyterian General Assembly reciprocates the fraternal greeting of your conference and, appreciating the kindly sentiments you express, assure you of our earnest desire for the blessing and guidance of the great Head of the Church in your good work.

The Committee on the Board of Education presented majority and minority reports. While discussing the majority report the hour of adjournment arrived and the consideration of this report was made the second order of the day for to-morrow morning.

After prayer by Rev. J. B. Ricketts the Assembly adjourned.

7.30 o'clock p. m.

The Assembly met and was opened with prayer by J. P. Sankey, D. D.

The calling of the roll was dispensed with. The minutes of the last session were read and approved.

An invitation to the Assembly to hold its next meeting in Omaha was presented and referred to the Committee on Correspondence.

Proceeded to the order of the evening, the conference on Evangelistic Work, C. H. Strong, D. D., presiding. At the

close, the chairman reported a very profitable conference on the subject appointed.

The consideration of the report on Young People's Work, and the hearing of the general secretary were made the first order of the day for to-morrow afternoon.

After prayer by Rev. James Crowe the Assembly adjourned.

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## TUESDAY.

June 1, 1897, 9 o'clock a. m.

The Assembly met and was opened with prayer by Elder Jas. D. Ferguson.

The calling of the roll was dispensed with. The minutes of the last session were read and approved.

Proceeded to the order of the day, the consideration of the report of the Committee on Home Missions. This report was adopted. It is as follows :

### REPORT ON HOME MISSIONS.

#### I. THE BOARD OF HOME MISSIONS.

There have been referred to us the report of the Board of Home Missions and the report of the General Committee. From the facts thus presented, we feel authorized to conclude that the board has wisely and successfully carried on its work for another year.

If there have been no marked results as compared with some previous years, there has been a steady advance, notwithstanding the business depression which has necessarily affected the work. The direct contributions of the Church to this work exceed those of the previous year by nearly \$8,000. Two hundred and six stations have received aid, which report 14,670 communicants, a gain of 287 over the number of last year, or a gain of nine and three-tenths per cent. as compared with eight and one-tenth per cent. of the former year. The contributions to the boards of the Church from these churches was \$13,460, in addition to \$61,794 paid for salary to pastors and supplies, or in all, as the contributions of these mission churches, the sum of \$75,254. In many cases this amount reported covers but a part of the year. In these churches the Sabbath-school scholars, the future hope of the Church, number 18,482.

The present debt of the board claims our serious attention. We note that the debt of \$13,017.68 reported last year has been reduced to \$10,400.91, a result which the board ascribes to increased contributions from the churches. We feel that it is also due in no small degree to the prudent action of the board in the care of the funds entrusted to it. There remains, however, this debt of over \$10,000, and the reserve fund has also been exhausted. It is a matter of much regret that the board has been unable at all times to meet the quarterly payment due the missionaries. This is a matter that deeply concerns the comfort of those so justly entitled to, and so much in need of their salaries, and it affects the honor of the Church

and the glory of God. One great reason for this default is in the habit of many of our churches to delay their contributions to the boards until the latter part of the year. Hence \$6,000 had to be borrowed to meet these payments, in addition to \$6,000 which had been borrowed before, and was still carried.

Looking over the work in general, we feel there is no reason for discouragement, but great cause to thank God for the good results of the year's work; and secondly that, even with the financial pressure resting upon the board, we are called upon to take hold of the work for the present year with not only increased courage, but confidence. Our people have the money needed to carry it on. They are interested in the work and will be more interested and more liberal just as the facts of the case are better understood by them. We believe the responsibility of this matter rests to a very great degree, if not mainly, on the pastors. The reports of the work should be distributed to the people; yet, if this only is done, comparatively few of the people will give them the study needed for a due comprehension. We recommend the following resolutions:

Resolved, 1. That each pastor take a suitable time and devote one service to a presentation of the claims of this board, distributing at that time copies of the condensed summary of the work of the board furnished to the churches and, with a copy in his hand, calling attention to the facts therein given.

2. That we express our appreciation of the action of the Women's Board in supporting the mission among the Warm Spring Indians at a cost of \$2,947.19, and for the gift of nearly a thousand dollars to help the board to make a quarterly payment, and also in furnishing women workers who have rendered valuable service in some of our city missions.

3. That instead of the fifteen year rule as it now stands, the following be substituted: "Congregations that have been organized fifteen years or more shall not receive aid unless extraordinary circumstances are clearly shown. Applications made for such congregations must be submitted by presbyteries to the Board of Home Missions with a special statement of the facts, not later than April 20, and grants made by the General Committee shall be subject to all the restrictions that apply to cases affected by the sliding scale."

4. That the rule requiring a two-thirds vote of all the members in attendance, in order to the exemption of any case from the reductions of the sliding scale, be amended to read as follows: "When the board has refused to recommend an application for exemption from the rule of the sliding scale, the case may be opened in the General Committee only by a majority vote of all the members in attendance."

5. That the report of the Board of Home Missions be approved.

6. That the annual report of the General Committee as a whole be adopted.

## II. PLAN OF CO-OPERATION IN HOME MISSION WORK.

There has also been placed in our hands a request from the American Section of the Alliance of the Reformed Churches holding the Presbyterian system, that we unite with them in a plan of co-operation in home missions. This plan was laid on the table by the last General Assembly. We believe that if such a plan had been adopted in former years, it would have prevented much undesirable rivalry between different denominations in mission fields, which has been injurious to the Church and discreditable in the eyes of the world. We regard the plan proposed as equitable to all concerned, and therefore recommend its adoption. This plan is as follows:

"The Boards and Committees of Home Missions, Church Erection, Freedmen's Missions and Sabbath-school Work of the American Churches in 'The Alliance of the Reformed Churches holding the Presbyterian System,' both in the United States and Canada, recognizing with gratitude



to God their substantial unity both in faith and polity, do agree upon the following principles of action for their guidance in their work, viz.:

"1. That in the work of all these boards as related to each other the authority of the Church courts is to be recognized as final.

"2. That there shall be no interference with churches, missions or Sabbath-schools at present existing, unless by voluntary agreement between the denominations directly concerned.

"3. That ordinarily, no churches, missions or Sabbath-schools shall be established in small communities where the field is fully occupied by other Presbyterian or Reformed Churches.

"4. That the supreme judicatories of the several Churches recommend their church members, when moving into new communities, in which there is no congregation of their own Church, to unite, for the time being, with some other Presbyterian or Reformed Church, if such there be.] This part of the plan was afterwards stricken out. See page 291.

"5. That, if cases of difference of opinion arise in connection with the work, they shall be referred for consideration and amicable adjustment to the missionary authorities of the denominations directly concerned."

Spent some time in devotional exercises under the direction of the Moderator.

Took up the order of the day, viz., the report of the Committee on Education. Before the final disposition of this report, Rev. William L. Marquis, the delegate from the General Assembly of the Presbyterian Church, presented the greetings of the body he represents, and the Moderator responded in the name of the Assembly.

By courtesy of the Assembly, Miss Eva Shontz presented the cause of the Women's Temple in Chicago.

The consideration of the unfinished report of the Committee on Education was made the order of the day for 3 o'clock this afternoon.

After prayer by James Bruce, D. D., the Assembly adjourned.

2 o'clock p. m.

The Assembly met and was opened with prayer by Rev. W. C. Dunn.

The calling of the roll was dispensed with. The minutes of the last session were read and approved.

A resolution on the 250th anniversary of the adoption of the Confession of Faith and Shorter Catechism was referred to the Committee on Correspondence.

The order of the day was the consideration of the report of the special Committee on Young People's Work. This report as adopted is as follows :

#### REPORT ON YOUNG PEOPLE'S WORK.

Your Committee on Young People's Work would respectfully report that the only paper which came into our hands was the annual report of the General Committee. From it we glean the following representations:

Reports from nearly all of the 53 presbyterial conventions, held during the year, indicate an increased interest in the work throughout the whole Church. The statistics are only partial, owing to the failure of some of the societies and five presbyterial corresponding secretaries to report. Six hundred and twenty-four societies report a membership of 27,808, a gain over last year of 1,511. The contributions aggregate \$33,206, of which the boards received \$7,371. Two hundred and forty junior societies report 8,769 members, a gain of 1,933 over last year. Their contributions amounted to \$3,846. The Institute, held in Omaha, Neb., August 19-24, 1896, was attended by 2,650 delegates and visitors and was full of interest and spiritual power. The Institute arranged for, in Indianapolis, Ind., August 18-23, 1897, gives promise of exceeding any yet held in point of attendance and interest. Negotiations with other Psalm-singing churches, looking toward co-operation and affiliation in young people's work, have been undertaken by the General Committee. Informal plans for co-operation by our General Committee and Executive Committee of the Associate Reformed Church South have been agreed upon. Correspondence has been had with the Holland Christian Reformed Church, and the young people of the two branches of the Covenanter Church have been invited to attend our ninth annual Institute. The Associate Reformed Synod of the South has adopted the Christian Union Herald as the official organ of their young people, and arrangements have been made whereby they have a department of the paper, edited by Rev. J. S. Moffatt. The term of office of the General Secretary expires with this meeting.

We offer the following for adoption:

Resolved, 1. That we gratefully recognize the favor of God in the increased interest and enlargement of our Young People's Work.

2. That we commend the spirit of liberality manifested by our young people, and give our hearty approval to the effort now being made to bring the duty and privilege of tithing to their attention.

3. That we note with pleasure the increasing attendance upon and interest in the annual Institutes, as well as the high order and helpful character of the programs presented, and recommend that the young people of our congregations avail themselves of the opportunity thus afforded for the increase of their Christian zeal, as well as love and loyalty for the United Presbyterian Church.

4. That we give our approval to the change in the constitution, proposed in the report of the General Committee.

5. That we commend the action of the General Committee in their efforts for the co-operation and affiliation of the young people of all Psalm-singing Churches, in annual convention, and express our hope that the Churches interested may look with favor upon this movement.

6. That we rejoice in the action of the Associate Reformed Church in adopting the Christian Union Herald as their official organ in young people's work, and approve the action of the Board of Publication in giving a page of the Herald to their department; and further that we express our fullest confidence in and heartiest appreciation of the conduct of the Herald, but would suggest that since it is so largely used as a missionary agency

by many of our congregations, more attention be given to furnishing milk for the babes, while no less care be taken to provide strong meat for the full grown.

7. That we acknowledge our indebtedness to the retiring general secretary, Rev. J. A. Duff, for the excellent service he has rendered the Church in the earnest, efficient and faithful manner in which he has discharged the duties of his office, and inasmuch as the Institutes are now held after the meeting of the Assembly at which the general secretary is elected, we recommend that his term of office expire with the Institute following the election of his successor.

The consideration of the report of the Committee on Church Extension was made the first order of the day for this evening.

The Committee on Ministerial Relief presented the following report, which was adopted :

#### REPORT ON MINISTERIAL RELIEF.

From the twenty-fourth annual report of the board and statements of its secretary, we learn that seventy persons shared its benefactions during the past year, an increase of seven over the previous year. Of the appropriation of \$10,000, less than one-half was contributed, while the amount paid to beneficiaries exceeded the whole appropriation by \$1,195. The present endowment is \$104,350; total receipts, \$28,327.50; total payments \$23,758.02; balance, \$4,569.06.

The board makes the very modest request of \$8,000 to be appropriated for the work of the coming year, which if paid in full will not only enable them to meet all claims, but to help a little more liberally those who are worthy and needy.

Your committee would make the following recommendations:

Resolved, 1. That we approve the management of the board, and join with the members of the same in thanksgiving to the Head of the Church for his blessing upon the work.

2. That presbyteries contribute in due proportion to this board; and, while there is no special ground of complaint, continue to exercise care in endorsing applications for aid.

During the consideration of the report of the Committee on Finance, the order of the day arrived, the consideration of the report of the Committee on Education. This report, as amended and adopted, is as follows :

#### REPORT ON EDUCATION.

Your committee has been given the report of the Board of Education, together with memorials from the Presbyteries of Puget Sound and Spokane, asking that Waitsburg Academy be granted aid from the fund for the aid of colleges and seminaries and proposing a basis for sharing in that fund; memorials from the Presbyteries of Omaha, Pawnee and North Platte, asking the same privilege for Pawnee City Academy, with a similar proposal for sharing in the fund; a memorial from the Board of Trustees of Marissa Academy, endorsed by Southern Illinois Presbytery, asking the

same privilege, with a like proposal for sharing in the fund; and memorials from the Presbytery of Allegheny and a conference of representatives from the colleges and theological seminaries of the Church, asking the appointment of a permanent committee on the establishment and location of new denominational colleges.

#### I. BENEFICIARY FUND.

The large demands upon this fund endorsed by presbyteries and the small and decreasing contributions for it from presbyteries seem to indicate both a necessity for some such fund, and great dissatisfaction with the present method of distributing it. In view of this fact we recommend the following for adoption:

Resolved, 1. The Board of Education is directed to formulate and present to the next General Assembly a different plan for the distribution of this fund.

2. The board is directed to refuse aid to students who marry in immediate prospect of the study of theology, or while prosecuting their studies.

3. The board is commended for its refusal to grant aid to students who have violated the conditions upon which aid was granted.

#### II. SEMINARIES, COLLEGES AND ACADEMIES.

In connection with the collection and distribution of the fund for the aid of colleges and seminaries, the board has undertaken to secure statistics of the attendance from United Presbyterian families upon academies or higher institutions of learning. The figures obtained are commended to parents and pastors for careful consideration. A suggestion comes from Monmouth College "that all our denominational colleges should require the same qualifications for membership in the freshman class."

We recommend for adoption the following:

Resolved, 1. The Board of Education is directed to continue its commendable work of securing statistics of attendance upon academies and higher institutions of learning, and in doing this to ask an analysis of this attendance, so that it may be known what kind of institutions are attended, whether professional, academic, or secondary.

2. The Board is directed to act in concert with the institutions receiving aid from it, to secure uniformity in the qualifications for membership in the freshman class.

3. The value of the fund for the aid of colleges and seminaries has been demonstrated during these trying times, and it is commended to the larger liberality of our people.

#### III. MEMORIALS.

1. In reply to the memorials asking that Waitsburg Academy, Pawnee City Academy, and Marissa Academy be included with the institutions receiving aid from the fund for colleges and seminaries, we recommend the following:

Resolved, 1. In view of their location and of the large properties secured to the United Presbyterian Church under synodical control, Pawnee City Academy and Waitsburg Academy be granted aid for the coming year from the fund for colleges and seminaries to the extent of \$500 each.

2. No appropriation from this fund should be made for any academies whose property is not secured to the United Presbyterian Church, either through synodical control, or in a similar way to that of congregations receiving aid from the home mission fund, and which have not sufficient local support to provide buildings and property worth at least \$15,000.

2. In reply to the memorials asking the appointment of a permanent committee on the establishment and location of new denominational colleges we recommend the following:

Resolved, That the Assembly appoint the Board of Education as a committee to report to the next General Assembly a comprehensive educational policy for the whole Church.

The work of the Board of Education is worthy of the highest commendation and most earnest support of the Church.

The unfinished business, the report of the Committee on Finance, was interrupted by the hour of adjournment. By the courtesy of the Assembly, Rev. E. G. Smith, Illinois State Superintendent of the American Bible Society, made a brief address in the interests of the society he represents, when the following resolutions were adopted:

#### AMERICAN BIBLE SOCIETY.

In view of the inspiration and all-sufficiency of the word of God, essential alike to the life that now is and the life to come, we regard the general and world-wide circulation of the Bible as a matter of supreme importance; therefore,

Resolved, 1. That we are in full accord with the American Bible Society in its great work of giving an open Bible to the people of this land of every tongue, to old and young, and to the people of all lands as far and as fast as possible.

2. That we rejoice in the grand record that this society has made in the eighty-one years of its history, in the circulation of over 63,000,000 volumes of the Bible and portions of it in 100 languages and dialects.

3. That we regard this society as an important bond of union among all co-operating denominations and as the great ally of missionary work in all parts of the world.

4. In view of the great stringency in the finances of this cause just now, and the crippled condition of the work in foreign lands, we urge all our churches and people to make liberal contributions to the American Bible Society and its auxiliaries in their respective fields of labor.

After prayer by Rev. A. K. Strane, the Assembly adjourned.

7.30 o'clock p. m.

The Assembly met and was opened with prayer by Rev. Albert Gordon.

The calling of the roll was dispensed with. The minutes of the last session were read and approved.

Proceeded to the order of the day, the discussion of the report of the Committee on Church Extension. As adopted, it is as follows :

#### REPORT ON CHURCH EXTENSION.

Your committee have examined the report of the board, together with the exhibit of the permanent funds submitted by the corresponding secretary, and we take pleasure in commending the board for the care and diligence with which they seem to have attended to the work intrusted to them.

Thirteen congregations have been aided in the erection of church buildings, aggregating \$27,604.51; five have been aided with loans amounting to \$5,550; appropriations amounting to \$14,500 have already been made; this amount is subject to call, which will require nearly all the available funds in the hands of the board. New fields are being occupied by the Home Mission Board, which will require liberal contributions to be made by congregations in order to meet the pressing demands upon this board.

It is to be regretted that circumstances were such as to seem to require the board to permit some congregations to incur debt to parties other than the board. The policy of the Church has been, and is, to aid congregations to secure houses of worship free from debt, and it is not only against the policy of the Church, but works injury to the congregation itself. We would urge upon the board to exercise the utmost care to prevent congregations from incurring any debt except to the Board of Church Extension.

It is with pleasure that we note the action of the board in co-operating with the Associate Reformed Synod of the South in securing property in Louisville, Ky., and it is hoped that the board will be able to do more in this direction in the future.

We would recommend the following for adoption:

Resolved, 1. That the report of the Board of Church Extension be approved.

2. That co-operation with the Associate Reformed Synod of the South, which has been so happily begun, be continued so far as the board may be able, and circumstances justify.

3. That presbyteries be directed to exercise the utmost care in recommending congregations for aid from this board, and that they be especially careful in having it understood that every loan made to them by this board is as sacred and obligatory as any debt which might be incurred; and we would urge congregations indebted to this board to meet this obligation as soon as possible.

4. That the practice of congregations in making appeals directly to individuals, societies, or congregations, outside their own communities, be disapproved, and that the board be directed to enforce, as far as possible the condition, "That the congregation shall not solicit outside its own community without the consent of the board."

5. That sessions and pastors be directed to present the needs of this board to their congregations, and that liberal contributions be made for this important work of the Church.

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

#### REPORT ON REVISION.

The Committee on Revision would respectfully report that there have been placed in our hands the minutes of the General Assembly, and of the

Synods of New York, Illinois, Iowa, Nebraska, Columbia, Pittsburgh, Kansas, Ohio, First of the West, California, and the Punjab, and of the Presbytery of Egypt for 1896, and of the Synod of Kansas for 1895.

We have carefully examined these minutes and find the business has been transacted according to presbyterial order and the records neatly kept, and we would recommend their approval.

The minutes of the Second Synod for 1896, and California for 1894, have not been placed in our hands. It appears from the minutes of the Assembly for 1895 that the minutes of the Synod of California for 1894 had been mislaid, and the clerk expressed the hope that he would be able to present the same to this Assembly. We would recommend that the clerks of these two synods be directed to present their records for revision next year.

The time of the session was extended in order to finish the discussion on the report of the Committee on Finance. This report, as amended and adopted, is as follows :

#### REPORT ON FINANCE.

The reports of the treasurers of the Boards of Foreign Missions, Home Missions, Ministerial Relief, Publication, Freedmen's Missions, Education and Church Extension, the General Assembly, and of the Gibson Trust Fund, have been examined and are found to be correct.

The Committee recommends that warrants be drawn on the Assembly Fund for the payment of the following bills:

Committee on Conference with Society of Christian Endeavor .....		\$ 33 00
Committee on Ways and Means—General Expenses.....	\$81 51	
Shaw Brothers, Printing..	26 50	
Board of Publication....	14 65	122 60
Committee on Union Metrical Version of the Psalms.....		15 00
Committee on Railroad Fare.....		10 00
Committee on Narrative and State of Religion.....		10 00
Committee on Seminary Curriculum.....		10 00
Committee on Union with Holland Christian Reformed Church .....		50 00
Delegate to the Reformed Church in America.....		18 00
Delegate to the Associate Reformed Synod of the South....		38 00
Delegate to the Presbyterian General Assembly.....		10 00
Expenses of Presbyterian Alliance.....		270 00
Expenses of James White, D. D.....		10 00
Expenses of Principal Clerk.....		58 97
Expenses of Second Clerk.....		65 25
Sexton at Monmouth, for General Committee of Missions..		10 00
Sexton at Rock Island.....		20 00
Murdoch, Kerr & Co., Printing.....		14 50
Stevenson & Foster Company, Supplies.....		2 43

The Presbytery of Oregon memorializes the Assembly, asking that a contribution be made to the fund for a monument to Marcus Whitman and Andrew Rodgers, who were murdered by Indians while in the discharge of their duties as teachers among the Indians. They both rendered excellent service to the country and to the Church. We recommend that a contribution be made, the same to be raised by private contributions.

We had placed in our hands the statement of Rev. W. J. Buchanan, treasurer of the special fund raised at the General Assembly at Xenia in 1896, and also the audit of the same. We find the account correct and that his duties are completed. We recommend that the thanks of the Assembly be tendered him for his services.

We received also the report of the Committee on Annuities appointed by the last Assembly. We find that a careful investigation of the whole subject has been made by the committee, and that they have reached conclusions which appear to be very satisfactory. We recommend the adoption of the resolutions which they have presented, viz.:

"Resolved, 1. That the General Assembly hereby authorizes all the boards to receive donations subject to such annuities and payable in such manner as may be agreed upon; such contributions to be securely invested, and the annuity never to exceed the annual interest received.

"2. That such securities shall be kept as a separate fund, not at any time to be used as collateral security, or in any other way that might imperil the income to be paid as annuity.

"3. That the boards exercise special care in the preparation of the bonds they may give, that donations so made to them be free from every possible claim except the annuity."

Connected with the report of the trustees of the General Assembly the committee finds the announcement of the death of Mr. Thomas Jamison, who served so faithfully as treasurer of the General Assembly, a brother well beloved, and one who will be missed by the Church, whose heart and hand were ever open to deeds of charity and love. The committee is gratified to learn that the trustees have secured the services of Mr. John D. Fraser, cashier of the Monongahela National Bank, as treasurer of the Assembly, one in whom the Assembly may place the utmost confidence. The committee further notes with pleasure the conduct of the trustees in handling the funds of the Church, and commends to the notice of the Assembly their diligence and faithfulness, as may be seen from their published statement.

A memorial from the Cedar Rapids Presbytery appears among the papers referred to the committee, in which the memorialists request that action be taken by the Assembly to equalize the salaries paid in our home mission field. Complaint is also made that the salaries of some of the officers are excessive, and that there is an indefiniteness of statement in regard to the salaries in some of the statements of the boards. The memorialists ask two things: First, that the Assembly devise some plan for the equalization of the salaries of missionaries; and, second, that the report of the salaries paid to the officers of the boards be more definitely stated, designating the office, and naming the officer to whom the salary is paid.

With respect to the first request, the committee, after having given the subject careful study, would say, as its confident belief, that there is no other body in the Church so well able to regulate and equalize the salaries of missionaries as the General Committee of Home Missions. Your committee has perfect confidence in the judgment and integrity of that committee and could not ask the Assembly to limit or change its prerogatives or powers. We are satisfied that it is the purpose of the General Committee to deal equitably with all, and it possesses the power to regulate and arrange the salaries.

Respecting the second request the committee would remind the memorialists that the Assembly itself directs that only a classified summary of receipts and expenditures be submitted to it. See Digest, page 328, sec. 2. It is, therefore, necessary to group and condense the items.

The committee believes that there is a misapprehension abroad in relation to the salaries of many of the servants of the Church, and would direct attention to the statement of the salaries in the Digest, pages 127, 128. It is the belief of the committee that the corresponding secretaries of the



various boards of the Church are men who have grown up to great usefulness through years of experience, and are deserving of the best support and encouragement the Church can give them. The committee is satisfied that a careful investigation by the memorialists will convince them that the work of the boards is conducted in a most economical manner, what is supposed to be the most expensive being at a cost to the Church of only four and three-tenths per cent.; much less than the expense of conducting the most ordinary business at the present time.

Aside from the above suggestions your committee has nothing to offer to the Assembly on this subject.

After prayer by Rev. R. L. Welch the Assembly adjourned.

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### WEDNESDAY.

June 2, 1897, 9 o'clock a. m.

The Assembly met and was opened with prayer by Rev. J. B. Jamison.

The calling of the roll was dispensed with. The minutes of the last session were read and approved.

The Committee on Bills and Overtures presented the following report, which was adopted :

#### REPORT ON BILLS AND OVERTURES.

To your Committee on Bills and Overtures have been referred the following papers for examination:

1. Memorials from the Presbytery of Butler in the First Synod of the West and the Presbytery of Westmoreland and a communication from the Presbytery of Conemaugh in the Synod of Pittsburgh, concerning the proposed organization of a presbytery to be called the Presbytery of Kiskiminetas.

2. Memorials from the Presbyteries of Rock Island, New York, and Beaver Valley, asking for a change in the method of distributing unemployed men and supplying vacant congregations.

3. Memorials from the Presbyteries of Allegheny, Monmouth, Westmoreland, Butler and Boston asking for a standing rule with regard to an annual thanksgiving proclamation by the officers of the General Assembly.

4. A memorial from the Presbytery of San Francisco, asking for a deliverance on the scriptural authority for deaconesses.

5. Memorials from the sessions of the congregations of La Prairie in the Presbytery of Monmouth, and Marissa in the Presbytery of Southern Illinois, asking whether membership in the association known as the Modern Woodmen of America is a violation of the fifteenth article of the United Presbyterian Testimony.

6. Memorials from the Presbyteries of Allegheny and Westmoreland, concerning a change in the method of gathering information for the report of the Committee on Narrative and State of Religion.

Concerning these various matters your committee recommends for adoption by the General Assembly the following:

Resolved, 1. Concerning the formation of the proposed new Presbytery of Kiskiminetas, that the memorialists be recommended to memorialize their respective synods; and that those synods, namely Pittsburgh and the First West, be authorized to appoint a joint commission of three members from each synod to organize such a proposed presbytery, if in the judgment of the synods it be wise so to do; said commission to report its action to the General Assembly at its meeting in 1898.

2. Concerning the method of distributing men and the securing of pastoral settlements, that the General Assembly appoint a committee, consisting of seven persons, to consider what, if any, changes need to be made in the present method and report to the General Assembly to meet in 1898.

3. Concerning a standing rule in regard to the annual thanksgiving proclamation.

A. That the Moderator and the Principal Clerk of the General Assembly shall issue to our Church in the name of the General Assembly annually (except as hereinafter provided) a thanksgiving proclamation supplementary to that of the President of the United States, and in this proclamation shall appoint for public worship and thanksgiving the day chosen by the chief magistrate of the nation.

B. This Assembly proclamation shall always contain distinct reference to the recommendation of the President, and this reference shall be of a deferential nature, devoid of all unnecessary criticism.

C. This Assembly proclamation shall include explicit mention of the Lord Jesus Christ, as the one through whom alone God can be approached with acceptance, and it shall also detail in appropriate terms the spiritual mercies, no less than the temporal favors, with which the Church and the world at large have been blessed.

D. In case the President's proclamation at any time shall, in the judgment of the Moderator and the Principal Clerk of the Assembly, contain explicit recognition of the spiritual blessings and the mediation of Christ, then these officers shall commend to the Church the President's proclamation, and shall not for that year issue anything supplementary to it.

4. Concerning the request for a deliverance on the scriptural authority for deaconesses, that the General Assembly, fully sympathizing with the memorialists in their desire for the greatest helpfulness of women in the life of the Church, and most cordially recognizing and encouraging their richly blessed work in the activities of the congregations, deems that the previous deliverance of the Assembly (recorded in Vol. 4, page 567, 1878, of the Minutes of the Assembly, page 137 in the Digest) is ample and clear on the subject of deaconesses, and that no further deliverance on that subject is at present needed.

5. Concerning the memorial on membership in the society of the Modern Woodmen of America, that the memorialists be referred to the action of the General Assembly in regard to the Union League (recorded in the Minutes of the Assembly, Vol. 2, page 30, 1864, in the Digest, page 282) as in every way applicable and satisfactory in this case.

6. Concerning changes in the method of gathering information for the report on Narrative and State of Religion, that the request of the memorialists be granted, and that in accordance therewith the General Assembly appoint a committee of three persons to prepare a more practicable plan to be put into operation during the coming year.

The nomination of the two committees provided for in this report were referred to the Committee on Nominations.

The Committee on Judiciary presented a report on the using of the title "United Presbyterian" in purely business enterprises. This report, as amended and adopted, is as follows :

## REPORT ON THE BUSINESS USE OF "UNITED PRESBYTERIAN."

With regard to the memorial of the Presbytery of Omaha, asking the Assembly to express its opinion as to the propriety of the use of the title, "United Presbyterian," by individuals and corporations in purely business transactions, your committee respectfully recommends the adoption of the following:

Resolved, That in our opinion it is advisable that corporations and individuals should avoid applying the title, "United Presbyterian," to enterprises over which the Church has no control, and which are purely of a secular and business character.

The vote on the adoption of the report of the Committee on Home Missions was reconsidered, when the fourth part of the plan of co-operation in home mission work, as published in the Minutes of the Assembly of 1896, page 150, was stricken out. The report as thus amended was adopted.

The report of the Committee on Publication was adopted. It is as follows:

## REPORT ON PUBLICATION.

There have been referred to your committee the report of the Board of Publication and part of the report of the Committee on Narrative and State of Religion.

We find that an excellent work has been done the past year by this board. We heartily approve the action of the board in issuing Dr. MacDill's "Mosaic Authorship of the Pentateuch," William Alexander Smith's "From Occident to Orient," Dr. Clokey's "Dying at the Top," and also commend the work of the board in encouraging the sale of Dr. Stewart's "Mission Work in India," and the late Dr. Gordon's "Our India Mission," and hear with satisfaction of the proposed publication of Dr. Watson's "History of the Egyptian Mission." We commend the action of the board in the care displayed in establishing depositories, believing that this policy will prove an aid to a wider distribution of our denominational literature.

We approve the efforts of the board to put our periodical literature on a self-sustaining basis. It is the conviction of your committee that the prices of our Sabbath-school literature compare favorably with the prices for such literature by sister denominations. It is noted that, notwithstanding the prevalent financial depression and the loss incident to removal, the volume of business done shows a diminution of only about two and a half per cent, as compared with the business of the preceding year. We also note with gratification the honorable standing of this board with other publishing houses. Furthermore, the faithful and efficient labors of R. J. Miller, D. D., as seen in the high degree of excellence of our periodical department, are worthy of honorable mention. We approve the action of the board in making grants of religious literature to the amount of \$2,000 in such a way as stimulates the recipients to self-help.

Touching the suggestion of the Committee on Narrative and State of Religion, that "The Church destroy forever the United Presbyterian copyright on the Psalter and Bible Songs," it has not appeared to your committee that there is any necessity for change in the existing conditions. We recommend the following:

Resolved, 1. That the board secure a colored lesson picture roll, with suitable selections from the Psalms in large type on the reverse side of each sheet.

2. That we approve the efforts of the board in publishing new music in connection with the lesson quarterlies, and would recommend in addition that suitable selections from the Bible Songs be published, if practicable, in the same, thereby bringing the Psalms into thousands of homes.

3. That the board inquire into the advisability of the publication of a denominational year book, and if found practicable issue the same at an expense not to exceed ten cents per copy.

The Committee on Sabbath-schools presented the following report, which was adopted :

#### REPORT ON SABBATH-SCHOOLS.

Besides the printed report on Sabbath-school work, embodied in the report of the Board of Publication, there have been placed in our hands the tabulated summaries of the presbyterial reports, compiled with great care by the chairman of the board's committee on Sabbath-schools, Rev. R. H. Hood. There is much in the reports for the past year for which to "thank God and take courage"—"courage" to press forward in this department of Christian effort, not satisfaction with our present attainments.

These reports indicate a corps of Sabbath-school workers in our Church, numbering nearly 12,000, with nearly 103,000 scholars in their classes; or according to the more complete reports of the Second Clerk of Assembly, 111,361 scholars. This enrollment is scarcely equal to that of our congregations in America. Were the true ideal of the Sabbath-school reached—the whole Church studying and teaching the word of God—the enrollment of the schools would far exceed that of the congregations.

That the labors of our Sabbath-school workers have not been in vain, is evident from the fact that during the past three years 12,624 scholars are reported as confessing Christ, 3,982 making such confession during the past year. It is not claimed that the Sabbath-school was the only agency in such conversions, but it is encouraging to know that so many of our young converts are under regular instruction in the divine word, both before and after their uniting with the Church.

That our children and youth are being trained in the grace of giving, appears in the fact that for many years there has been a steady increase in the amount of their contributions, the offerings for the past year amounting to \$89,002.

Only twenty-two presbyteries report Sabbath-school conventions during the past year. The reason assigned in some instances is probably the prevailing reason for the fewness of such meetings—the great number of other conventions held in the presbyteries—young people's missionary, etc. We raise the question, however, whether presbyterial superintendents should permit this important department to be thus overshadowed, important as these other lines of effort certainly are. We suggest the propriety of giving special prominence to Sabbath-school work in the young people's conventions, where separate conventions cannot conveniently be held.

One hundred and fifteen schools report a trial of the "Loyal Army Plan." The greater number of these schools give it a hearty endorsement, though a few report adversely concerning it. The ends aimed at in this "plan" are regularity in attendance, in home study, and in giving. Whether this plan be adopted or not, special effort should be made to secure greater regularity in attendance, our schools reporting an average attendance of only 72,309, out of a total enrollment of 114,663. The announcement has

been made that the school reporting the largest percentage of average attendance during this year will be published as the banner school in this respect.

Progress has been made during the past year in the home department of the Sabbath-school. With pleasure we note that a new set of literature for this department has recently been prepared by the board's committee on Sabbath-schools, samples of which will be freely sent on application. We urge the careful consideration of this line of Christian effort by every pastor and superintendent, believing that it may often be made an effective means of house-to-house evangelism.

Judging from the reports, there seems to be a decline in the study of the Shorter Catechism. This we must all deplore. We suggest that no better commemoration of the 250th anniversary of the framing of the Westminster standards can be made, than by efforts to revive and deepen interest in the study of the Shorter Catechism in our schools.

The board last year was commended for publishing music adapted to Sabbath-school use in the Quarterlies. We note with pleasure that this has been continued during the year now closing. We express the hope that this plan will be continued, and suggest that an effort be made to have the music thus published better adapted to the compass of children's voices.

We recommend for adoption the following:

Resolved, 1. We record our gratitude to him who says, "Shepherd my sheepings," for his manifest blessing on this department of Christian effort, and do hereby urge our Sabbath-school workers to "be steadfast, unmovable, always abounding in the work of the Lord, forasmuch as we know that our labors are not in vain in the Lord."

2. We recommend the adoption of the same order for special contributions in our schools that has been pursued in former years: 1st quarter, Foreign Missions; 2d quarter, Home Missions; 3d quarter, Church Extension; 4th quarter, Freedmen's Missions.

3. We urge presbyterial superintendents to arrange for at least one convention or conference on Sabbath-school work during the coming year.

4. That the third Sabbath of October be named as a day of prayer for Sabbath-schools; that the fourth Sabbath of November be named as Temperance Sabbath, and the second Sabbath of June, 1898, be named as Children's Missionary Sabbath.

The report of the Special Committee on Reform was adopted. It is as follows:

#### REPORT ON REFORM.

Your committee would report that papers touching a variety of subjects were placed in our hands. Among them was a request to appoint ten delegates to the National Anti-Saloon Convention, to be held in Columbus, Ohio, January 11-13, 1898, also a representative on the board of direction, and a memorial that we endorse a petition to the International Committee of the Evangelical Alliance, seeking to have one day of the Week of Prayer devoted to the interest of temperance. There were also some papers regarding a better observance of the Sabbath.

We offer the following for adoption:

Resolved, 1. That, rejoicing in every legitimate endeavor for the overthrow of the legalized saloon, we recommend the appointment by the Assembly of ten delegates to the National Anti-Saloon Convention, to be held in Columbus, Ohio, January 11-13, 1898, said delegates to pay their own expenses.

2. That we endorse the petition to the International Committee of the Evangelical Alliance, setting apart one day of the Week of Prayer to be

devoted to special prayer for the removal of the drinking usages of society and the abolition of the liquor traffic, and that the officers of the Assembly be authorized to attach their official signature to this petition.

3. That since it has come to our attention that some of our Church papers have admitted advertisements of beverages, regarding whose freedom from alcohol there is question, and of non-alcoholic wine to be used as a beverage, we would caution them to be careful in receiving such advertisements on the principle that we are to avoid the very appearance of evil.

4. That the General Assembly reaffirm its belief that the law of the Sabbath is a law of perpetual binding obligation upon all men.

5. That we call upon all members of our churches, members of young people's societies and Sabbath-schools, together with all friends of God's law, to use their personal influence for the Biblical observance of the day, by abstaining from the purchase and reading of the "Sunday" newspaper, from all riding of the bicycle for pleasure or recreation on the Lord's day, from all forms of amusement, from unnecessary visiting and all things that are unproductive of holiness in men, and to be faithful to religious duty and life.

6. That since there is a growing tendency toward the use of "Sunday" trains on the part of Christians, we enjoin our people from this flagrant violation of the law of the Sabbath, whether the travel be to expedite business, pursue pleasure, or attend religious conventions.

7. That we urge upon our pastors a more frequent presentation of the truth concerning the claims and obligations of the Sabbath, with special reference to its better observance in the homes of our people.

8. That the American Sabbath Union and the Women's National Sabbath Alliance, societies organized for the purpose of enlisting all Christian men and women in the work of conserving the American Sabbath, and also to organize auxiliary societies, and for the distribution of Sabbath literature and to use all methods for the quickening of the public conscience and awakening interest for the promotion of the Biblical Christian Sabbath, receive our cordial endorsement and approval.

Pastors were requested to read this report to their people.

A resolution on contributions to special objects was adopted. It is as follows :

#### RESOLUTION ON CONTRIBUTIONS TO SPECIAL OBJECTS.

Whereas, There seems to be an increasing tendency for societies, Sabbath-schools and individuals to support by their contributions special objects, some of which are outside the recognized work of the mission boards, or to attach the condition of special use to donations made to the boards; and also on the part of congregations to make direct appeal, especially to individual contributors, for their own work, thus diverting contributions from the boards and making their work more difficult; therefore,

Resolved, That, while not wishing to place restraints upon benevolence, the General Assembly does hereby remind all that the work assumed by the Church through its organized boards has a priority of claim, and exhorts all to make their gifts through these established agencies, and for such purposes as may be presented by them; keeping in mind that gifts to the whole work are more effective than gifts for particular parts of it, and that donations made in response to direct solicitations are often an unnecessary duplication of help already given in the regular way.

After prayer by Elder W. M. Adair the Assembly adjourned to meet at 1.30 this afternoon.

1:30 o'clock p. m.

The Assembly met and was opened with prayer by Rev. J. A. Duff.

The calling of the roll was dispensed with. The minutes of the last session were read and approved.

The following resolutions in reference to supplies by students of theology were adopted :

#### PREACHING BY THEOLOGICAL STUDENTS.

Resolved, 1. That presbyteries be, and hereby are, enjoined to use all lawful endeavors to check the growing tendency to disregard presbyterial order, which prevails among our people.

2. That students of theology in our theological seminaries shall not be permitted to supply any of our vacancies, except through an arrangement with the superintendent of missions of the presbytery to which said vacancy belongs.

3. That superintendents of missions shall not permit any student to supply such vacancies for a less amount than the per diem fixed by the General Assembly.

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

#### REPORT ON STATISTICS.

The tabulated statistics of the Church have been placed in our hands and duly considered. The study of these statistics, while necessarily cursory in the time allowed, yet yields important matters for consideration.

I. The statistical tables. The statistics of the Church, as tabulated from year to year, indicate the greatest of care and attention on the part of our Second Clerk, and are from year to year becoming more complete and valuable.

II. Growth in membership. The gross increase in membership is 13,502. This would indicate a growth of 11 per cent. for the whole Church, but the decrease of 10,814, of which 9,083 is by removals, and 1,731 by deaths, is so large that the net increase for the whole Church is only about 2 per cent. This great loss of 9,083 by removals, or 88 per cent. of the entire decrease, is calculated to call out careful inquiry as to the cause. The large number of removals is nearly double the number of those received by certificate, while these numbers should be nearly equal. Some of these removals have probably been to other Churches. Some names have been removed from the roll because of being non-resident, or for other reasons not counted in the membership. We believe some of these are persons who have removed to other places and are still holding their certificates, and do so from year to year. To remedy this in some measure, we recommend that in the formula of certificates, used by our sessions, there be a return coupon attached to certify to the session giving the certificate that the

person certified has been received elsewhere, and notice also printed on the formula that the certificate is good for one year. This we believe would stimulate the placing of certificates more promptly, and the number of persons received by certificate would be increased. Also until the return coupon would be received the session certifying would have some way of tracing the certificate and urging that it be used.

III. The contributions. We would call attention to the fact mentioned in another report that the contributions have fallen short of the appropriations for the several boards. The deficit in direct contributions to foreign missions was \$28,366, to home missions, \$27,645, to freedmen's missions, \$17,431, to church extension, \$19,244, to ministerial relief, \$2,921, to education, \$12,326, and to Assembly's fund, \$822. While this is a great matter of regret, we regard it on the whole as a matter of gratitude in these trying times which cripple all enterprises having financial obligations, that the people have been ready so fully to sustain the organized work of the Church, and we may cherish the hope that as this matter is diligently kept before the people, the necessary funds will from time to time be forthcoming for the work of the Lord. It should be noticed to the credit of our people that the amount ordinarily expended on buildings and improvements has in these stringent times been less than usual, doubtless because they would deny themselves these improvements that the current work of the Church might receive the funds which they would devote to the Lord's work.

The question has also been submitted to your committee as to whether or not the income from endowments of congregations should be counted among the contributions of the congregations. Your committee are of the opinion that this should not be done, any more than that the income from endowments of colleges, seminaries, etc., should be counted among the current contributions of the Church.

The statistics show a slight decrease in congregations contributing to all the boards, but also a decrease in the congregations not contributing to any of the funds. With proper care, we believe, the presbyteries may be able to secure some contribution from every congregation in the Church.

We therefore propose the following:

Resolved, 1. That we hereby express our appreciation of the painstaking care with which our Second Clerk collects and tabulates the statistics of the Church from year to year, making these statistics an indispensable handbook of information for the whole Church.

2. That our Board of Publication be directed to prepare and publish a form of certificate, embracing notice of their limitation to one year, and with a return coupon to be returned by the session receiving the member, and that sessions be directed to use these in certifying members.

3. That presbyteries be reminded of their great responsibility in securing the active interest of each pastor and session in gathering from their congregations the necessary contributions to carry on the organized work of the Church, and that all care be exercised to secure from every congregation in the Church a contribution to the work of the boards.

4. That sessions be instructed, in reporting the contributions of their congregations, not to report among contributions, or in average per member, the income from endowments.

The report of the Committee on Correspondence was presented and adopted. It is as follows :

#### REPORT ON CORRESPONDENCE.

There have been placed in the hands of your committee the reports of the fraternal delegates representing our Church before the Associate Reformed Synod of the South, the Synod of the Reformed Church in



America, the General Assembly of the Presbyterian Church of the U. S. A., and the report of the committee appointed to visit the Synod of the Holland Christian Reformed Church. These reports bear testimony to the most cordial reception of our representatives on the part of all these bodies and of the expression of the kindest feelings toward our Church and its work.

We have received the credentials of W. S. Owens, D. D., as a delegate to represent the Western Section of the Alliance of the Reformed Churches throughout the world before the Assembly. We recommend that he be invited to address the Assembly in the interests of the Alliance.

A memorial has been received, signed by Dr. Wm. H. Vincent and others, calling attention to the fact that this year is the two hundred and fiftieth anniversary of the framing and approving of the Confession of Faith and the Shorter Catechism, and suggesting that the third Sabbath of September be designated by the Assembly for the preaching of historical sermons by the pastors of our congregations in celebration of this important event. The adoption of this proposition is recommended to the Assembly.

Among the invitations placed in our hands is one from the Commercial Club of Omaha, seconding the request of our congregations in that city asking that the General Assembly meet in the Central church, Omaha, in 1898. We recommend the acceptance of the invitation.

As to the appointment of fraternal delegates to other Churches, we would call attention to a rule of the Assembly adopted in 1878, "That after the present year (1878) the appointment of delegates to other Churches be suspended, with the exception of the Associate Reformed Synod of the South." In harmony with this resolution we nominate E. N. McElree, D. D., as fraternal delegate to the Synod of the Associate Reformed Church of the South.

As the celebration of the sixtieth anniversary of the crowning of Queen Victoria, which is to take place during this month, is an event of world-wide importance, and has especial significance to our Church in view of the location of our foreign mission fields within her dominions, we offer the following for adoption:

Resolved, That the General Assembly of the United Presbyterian Church of North America, through its officers, sends greeting to her Majesty, Victoria, Queen of Great Britain and Ireland and Empress of India, on the approaching sixtieth anniversary of her accession to the throne, inasmuch as her influence as a sovereign has been on the side of national righteousness and favorable to the progress of the kingdom of Jesus Christ, and especially as under her gracious and beneficent rule our foreign missions in both Egypt and India have been signally blest and favored.

On the invitation of the session of Tarkio congregation, their church was chosen as the place for the next meeting of the General Committee of Missions.

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

#### REPORT ON APPROPRIATIONS.

Your Committee on Appropriations respectfully submits to the General Assembly the following for its final action in the matter of appropriations for the year beginning July 1, 1897, to wit:

Resolved, That there is hereby appropriated for the use of the various boards and funds of the Church for the year beginning July 1, 1897, the sum of \$359,000, to be distributed as follows:

To Foreign Missions .....		\$115,000
To Home Missions .....		103,000
To Freedmen's Missions .....		50,000
To Church Extension .....		50,000
To Education:		
For Regular Work .....	\$10,000	
For Educational Institutions .....	20,000	30,000
To Ministerial Relief .....		8,000
To Assembly's Fund .....		3,000

The report of the Committee on Devotional Exercises was adopted. It is as follows:

#### REPORT ON DEVOTIONAL EXERCISES.

Your committee would recommend the following:

Resolved, 1. That W. C. Williamson, D. D., be the Moderator's alternate to preach the opening sermon at the next General Assembly.

2. That the pastors of our churches in Omaha be a committee to arrange for conferences for the next General Assembly.

3. That in answer to the memorial from the W. C. T. U. we designate the fourth Sabbath of November as a "Temperance Day."

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

#### REPORT ON NOMINATIONS.

The Committee on Nominations recommend the following persons to fill the vacancies in the boards of the Church and committees of the General Assembly:

##### BOARDS.

Trustees of the General Assembly:—Rev. Samuel Collins, D. D., Rev. R. J. Miller, D. D., R. S. McCague, and J. D. Fraser to fill the place of Thomas Jamison, deceased.

Foreign Missions:—Rev. James Crowe, Samuel Walker, Wm. A. Brown.

Home Missions:—Rev. W. J. Reid, D. D., Rev. J. G. Brown, D. D., Geo. M. Paden,

Freedmen's Missions:—Rev. D. A. McClenahan, D. D., Rev. D. F. McGill, D. D., J. J. Porter.

Church Extension:—A. P. Burchfield, Rev. T. C. Atchison, Rev. A. H. Calvert.

Publication:—Rev. W. J. Robinson, D. D., Rev. S. H. Graham, Rev. W. R. McKee, D. D., Rev. J. D. Sands, D. D., W. K. McGinness,

Education:—Hugh Nash, Rev. T. G. Morrow, W. P. Schall. To fill the vacancy occasioned by the removal of G. M. Evans, Rev. J. F. Jamieson.

Ministerial Relief:—Rev. J. H. Webster, James Walker, John McLaughlin.

Managers of the Historical Society:—Rev. S. Collins, D. D., Rev. James A. Grier, D. D., John Hopkins.

PERMANENT COMMITTEES.

On Narrative and State of Religion:—Rev. R. G. Ramsey.  
 On Railroad Fare:—J. P. Tracy, Peter Dick.  
 On Young People's Work:—E. B. McKown.  
 On Ways and Means:—J. J. Porter, W. K. McGinness, J. H. Murdoch, Esq., J. McKenzie Cleland, Esq., Robert Rutledge, J. P. McKinney, W. S. Weir.  
 On Reform:—Rev. W. J. Robinson, D. D., Rev. J. T. McCrory, D. D., Rev. D. S. Littell, D. D., T. J. Gillespie, William Hill.  
 On Memorial Service:—Moderator and Clerks of the General Assembly.

MISCELLANEOUS.

Corresponding Secretary of the Board of Home Missions:—Rev. W. S. Owens, D. D.  
 Corresponding Secretary of the Board of Publication:—Rev. J. C. Boyd, D. D.  
 Treasurer of the General Assembly:—J. D. Fraser.  
 Secretary of Young People's Work:—Rev. D. F. McGill, D. D.  
 Committee to Prepare Pastoral Letter:—Rev. D. S. Littell, D. D., Rev. J. A. Duff, Rev. M. G. Kyle, D. D.  
 Committee on Introduction of Young Men into the Ministry:—Rev. David MacDill, D. D., LL.D., Rev. John A. Wilson, D. D., Rev. C. H. Strong, D. D.  
 Delegates to the Eleventh National Temperance Convention:—Rev. T. H. Hanna, D. D., Rev. James A. Reed, D. D., Rev. W. J. Reid, D. D., Rev. R. D. Williamson, Rev. R. L. Welsh, Rev. C. S. Cleland, Rev. T. B. Turnbull, D. D.  
 Delegates to Convention of Anti-Saloon League:—Rev. J. K. Montgomery, Rev. R. B. Patton, Rev. W. J. Buchanan, Rev. W. G. Moorehead, D. D., Rev. T. H. McMichael, Rev. J. P. Cowan, D. D., Rev. J. A. Kennedy, Rev. T. H. Hanna, Jr., Rev. G. W. Hamilton, D. D., Rev. W. I. Wishart.  
 Delegates to the Seventh General Council of the Alliance of the Reformed Churches, to meet in Washington, D. C., in the fall of 1899:—We recommend that the appointment of these delegates be postponed till the next meeting of the General Assembly.  
 Committee on Method of Effecting Pastoral Settlements:—Rev. Arney S. Biddle, Rev. W. S. Owens, D. D., Rev. R. W. Kidd, Rev. W. H. Vincent, D. D., Rev. G. W. Hamilton, D. D., Rev. J. W. Johnston, Rev. Joseph Calhoun, D. D.  
 Committee on Information for Narrative and State of Religion:—Rev. A. G. Wallace, D. D., Rev. H. W. Temple, Rev. J. S. McKee, D. D.

The following resolutions of thanks were adopted :

RESOLUTIONS OF THANKS.

Resolved, 1. That we gratefully render thanks to the Heavenly Father for blessings enjoyed during the sessions of the Assembly.

2. That we congratulate our Moderator, T. H. Hanna, D. D., on his election, courtesy and wise ruling.

3. That we recognize the thoughtfulness and kindness of the pastor and people of Rock Island congregation, and the pastor and people of

Davenport, who have assisted them in providing for the comfort and pleasure of the members of the Assembly.

4. That we acknowledge the favors of the Daily Union, for its most excellent reports of such superior fullness and accuracy.

5. That we convey our thanks to Miss Nellie Warnock, Miss Maude White, Miss Agnes Swanson, for kindness in caring for our postoffice, and Miss Zadie Heitahrends, for rendering intelligible the reports of committees, and otherwise assisting the dispatch of our business.

6. That special thanks be returned to the trustees of the Central Presbyterian church for the unusual courtesy of opening their church for the sessions of the court.

7. That we extend our thanks to Miss Catherine Oliver for an evening of special pleasure and profit.

8. That thanks be extended to the railroads, centering in this city, for their courtesy.

The minutes of this session were read and approved.

The Assembly was dissolved, when the Moderator said, "By virtue of authority to me delegated, I do hereby dissolve this General Assembly, and require another General Assembly, chosen in the same manner, to meet in the Central Church, Omaha, Neb., on the fourth Wednesday of May, 1898, at 7.30 o'clock p. m."

The Assembly was lead in prayer by J. S. Barr, D. D., Psalm 72 :17, 18, C. M., was sung, and the benediction was pronounced by the Moderator.

THOS. H. HANNA, *Moderator.*

WILLIAM J. REID, *Principal Clerk.*

A. G. WALLACE, *Second Clerk.*

## APPENDIX.

### REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES OF THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY.

The Board of Trustees of the General Assembly would respectfully report the death, on Dec. 4, 1896, of our beloved brother, fellow trustee and treasurer, Thomas Jamison; always punctual in attendance, able in council, faithful in his official duties, and exemplary as a Christian in all the relations of life. His death was lamented by all who knew him. Mr. J. D. Fraser, cashier of the Monongahela National Bank, of which Mr. Jamison was president, has been elected as treasurer and as a trustee until the meeting of the General Assembly.

We have had before us during the year very little business of special interest. Surplus funds coming into our hands have been distributed to the different missions, as directed by the Assembly. A legacy of \$862, from the estate of Mrs. Sarah Cummins, of Schenectady co., N. Y., was received by our treasurer July last. The notes taken for unpaid balances on real estate sold—the Mann and the Martin farms—and the accruing interest, are being paid in, and proceeds distributed, as will appear from the treasurer's report, duly audited. The term of office of Messrs. Miller, Collins and McCague expires June 30 prox.

Respectfully submitted by order of the Board of Trustees,  
S. Collins, President.

Pittsburgh, Pa., May 24, 1897.

### REPORT OF THE BOARD OF FOREIGN MISSIONS.

#### I. INTRODUCTION.

The board comes for the thirty-eighth time to render its annual account to the Supreme Court of the Church. It takes its stand on the high vantage ground at the close of another year of its operations. It is a fit time and place for reviewing the past and projecting work for the time to come. The whole view as it is surveyed is bright and cheering—indeed in some directions enchanting.

In the Yosemite Valley there is a platform of rock which so commands the view of this "show window of the universe," that it has been called "Inspiration Point." Our survey of our mission work at the close of the year awakens something of the feelings and emotions which the tourist has when he stands upon that platform of delightful vision. Our exclamation on this elevation is, "Come and see what wonders the Lord hath wrought!" "Hitherto hath the Lord helped us."

#### II. THE YEAR.

The past has been an eventful year. The war cloud between the United States and Great Britain which was still threatening at its beginning, has been totally dispersed. A treaty of arbitration was duly signed by those at the head of each government. Though this has failed

to receive the vote in the United States Senate necessary to ratify it, yet the demand for its ratification has been so unmistakable, by the people of both countries, as to cheer us with the conviction that a peaceful method of settling disputes between these countries must, in the near future, become the rule of action, and that these Christian nations at least, will settle their difficulties in the time to come without an appeal to the sword.

The relations between our country and Spain have been strained at times during the year, but a peaceful policy has prevailed, and it is hoped will continue to do so.

Affairs in Turkey have made little improvement. Horrible massacres of those professing allegiance to Christ have been repeated in places. The Powers of Europe have declined to interfere, and but faint protest has been made by our own government. No indemnity has been paid by the Turkish government to boards and mission societies for loss of life and mission property. Our sympathies are still with the American Board whose missions and missionaries have been chief among the sufferers.

Within a few weeks past Greece and Turkey have been engaged in a conflict of arms. Greece seems to have lost almost everything in the struggle, and Turkey to have triumphed. Be this as it may, Christians of every name will hope and pray that the Turkish dominion may, in God's own time and way, be brought down, this dark spot in the civilization of this closing nineteenth century be blotted out, and the way be opened up for the gospel to be received and professed freely by the followers of the False Prophet in every land where they exist. If the power of the Sultan were destroyed the downfall of Mohammedanism before the gospel would probably follow speedily; the crescent would wane and disappear, while the cross would shine resplendently in its stead.

Looking at still other countries abroad various changes may be noted, all, it is hoped, opening the way before the chariot of the gospel. "Russia, by diplomacy scored the highest success, robbing little Japan of the fruits of her victory and appropriating them to the further aggrandizement of the Cyclopean northern power. She takes the huge old empire of China under her protectorate, and takes as her pay the finest harbor on the Asiatic Pacific. Italy tried her hand at African conquest, and met with annihilating defeat at the hands of the Abyssinians, and gave up the enterprise. France completed the conquest of Madagascar and, as some compensation, abolished slavery in the new possession. Great Britain tightened her hold upon Egypt by easily won victories in the Soudan." Arbitration has triumphed between Great Britain and Venezuela.

Our own country has passed through an exciting, but peaceful, national election, and has installed in the Presidential chair one who is a professed follower of the Lord Jesus Christ. We are at peace with the world, and as we are not likely to be entangled in foreign conflicts a special opportunity is afforded our Christian people to send the gospel, the source of our freedom, greatness and prosperity, to the unevangelized nations of the world. Will they embrace this opportunity, and will our Church do her full share of this great work?

### III. FINANCES.

The year began with a depressed state of the finances in our country. It was hoped that an improved condition would be experienced as the result of the Presidential election. The hope has not been, at least to any great extent, realized. To get money has been more difficult than during any of the immediately preceding years.

The board began the year, as nearly as could be ascertained, square in its accounts with the missions, and with a balance in the treasury. As the year advanced the funds came in slowly, far below the necessary monthly expenditures. The missions were asked to curtail expenses wherever it was possible. Perhaps in view of the straitened times, and

when we compare ourselves with others, we ought not to indulge in complaint, but the unwelcome fact must be stated that the board closed its financial year on the 30th of April with an indebtedness of \$6,400 to Egypt. If we include the balance in the treasury at the beginning of the year this shows a deficit in the contributions of more than \$11,000.

It has been the Board's policy to go as the Church would enable it; that is, to ask the Assembly each year for such an amount as it was reasonably expected the Church would place in the treasury. The board thought that it was fairly secure in its estimates for the past year. It has been disappointed. Several reasons for this may be assigned. In the first place the missions expended every cent that was appropriated. Generally they have come within the appropriations, sometimes saving a balance to the board's account. The famine in India, and other reasons prevented this for the past year. Then the rate of exchange in India was not as favorable to the board as during the preceding year. Again, the Holland Reformed Church fell off largely in its contributions. Legacies, always an uncertain quantity, were less than for the year preceding. And lastly, the contributions by the presbyteries and Sabbath-schools decreased. These things could not be foreseen by the board, and hence the present debt. It is not heavy for the whole Church. A little determined effort on the part of all can readily remove it. The Assembly should provide for this being done. This is a crisis in the history of mission work. That work should not be curtailed in the fields, or needed reinforcements be withheld because for once there is a small indebtedness. But the Assembly, and the Church, must not suffer this indebtedness to remain or to increase. The board is making the effort to borrow the money necessary to pay the debt, but the Church must enable the Board to meet its obligations.

#### IV. CONDENSED EXHIBIT BY THE TREASURER.

##### I. RECEIPTS.

From Presbyteries .....	\$ 49,729 53
“ Sabbath-schools .....	5,237 01
“ Individuals, Specials, etc.....	20,312 34
“ Bequests .....	14,363 17
“ Women's Board .....	16,409 08
“ Ladies' Missionary Societies .....	457 96
“ Gibson Trust Fund .....	1,250 00
“ Property .....	1,526 50
“ Pressly Memorial Fund (Principal).....	172 24
“ Pressly Memorial Fund (Interest).....	54 65
“ Sawyer Memorial Fund .....	300 00
“ Holland Christian Reformed Church.....	179 33
“ MacKinnon Fund .....	115 00
“ Cummins Memorial Fund .....	22 50
“ Zagazig Building Fund .....	345 26
“ O. Y. P. C. U. Institute Fund.....	3,312 21
“ Interest .....	733 69
“ Annuities .....	6,000 00
Total .....	\$120,520 47
The Campbell B. Herron Memorial Fund....	6,000 00
Investment of the MacKinnon Fund (repaid)..	3,000 00
Balance April 30, 1896, held for investment for “The MacKinnon Fund,” .....	4,844 72
Balance April 30, 1896, held for investment for “The Cummins Memorial Fund,”.....	700 00
Balance April 30, 1896.....	5,195 22
Grand Total .....	\$140,260 41

## II. EXPENDITURES.

Remitted and paid for account of India Mission.....	\$ 52,093 03
Remitted and paid for account of Egyptian Mission.....	51,568 51
Specials to India .....	128 51
Dales' Semi-Centennial Fund remitted to India.....	125 00
Dales' Semi-Centennial Fund remitted to Egypt.....	125 00
The Gibson Trust Fund remitted to Egypt.....	1,250 00
The Sawyer Memorial Fund remitted to Egypt.....	300 00
The Pressly Memorial Fund remitted to Egypt.....	54 65
The Pressly Fund remitted to Egypt.....	242 92
The MacKinnon Fund remitted to Egypt.....	115 00
The Cummins Memorial Fund remitted to Egypt....	22 50
The Egyptian Theo. Sem. End. remitted to Egypt....	500 00
Cavanaugh Interest remitted to Egypt.....	178 74
Zagazig Building Fund remitted to Egypt.....	345 26
Specials to Egypt .....	216 70
Ex. of Prof. W. W. White's conference in Egypt....	500 00
Salaries of Missionaries in America.....	4,340 00
Children of Missionaries in America.....	800 00
Salary of Cor. Secretary (\$1,000) and Treasurer (\$500)	1,500 00
Expenses, Printing, Postage, etc.....	1,267 74
Traveling Expenses of Missionaries.....	5,203 51
Outfits .....	1,150 00
Interest .....	860 33
Property .....	1,256 79
Taxes .....	354 60
Legal Expenses .....	49 31
Jos. D. McKee .....	709 50
Invested for "The MacKinnon Fund,".....	4,800 00
Reinvested for "The MacKinnon Fund,".....	3,000 00
Invested for "The Cummins Memorial Fund,".....	700 00
Invested for "The Campbell B. Herron Mem. Fund,".	6,000 00
Total .....	\$139,757 90
Balance, April 30, 1897.....	502 51
Grand Total .....	\$140,260 41

## V. APPROPRIATIONS.

The board recommends to the Assembly to make the following appropriations for the current year. In the case of India the amount recommended is less by \$8,500 than that estimated by the mission, and this after the mission had cut down the amount asked by the stations about \$1,000. The recommendation for Egypt is \$10,000 less than the estimate made by the mission. This is severe cutting of estimates which are carefully made, and must result in the curtailment of the work in many of its departments. Gladly would the board recommend the Assembly to appropriate the whole amount of the estimates; but this would mean going into debt, which it is the board's policy and purpose to avoid.

To India .....	\$ 58,000
To Egypt .....	58,000
For Salaries of Missionaries at Home.....	5,000
For Children of Missionaries in America.....	800
New and Returning Missionaries .....	9,000
Indebtedness .....	6,400
Salary of Cor. Sec. (\$1,000), of Treasurer (\$500).....	1,500
Printing, Postage and Incidentals .....	1,300
Total .....	\$140,000



Included in this amount is \$25,000, pledged by the Women's Board, Women's Presbyterian Societies, Sabbath-schools, congregations and individuals.

## VI. MISSIONARIES.

### I. DEATHS.

Several of the missionaries have been ill during the year, but the lives of all have been spared except that of Mrs. Gemella Strang, wife of the Rev. David Strang. She died of cholera at Ramle, Egypt, on Sabbath, the 6th of September, 1896. She was a devoted wife and mother, a devotedly pious and consecrated missionary, and died lamented, not only by her husband and children, but also by the whole mission, and many friends in this country.

The cholera also removed on the 28th of July, 1896, the Rev. Iscaros Massood, native pastor of Abuub congregation, Egypt. Rev. and Mrs. J. P. White were called upon to mourn the loss of their infant and only son by death at Cairo, Egypt, in the month of February.

The Rev. J. Clement, native minister at Gurdaspur, India, was also removed by death during the year.

Miss Martha J. McKown, who entered the mission in Egypt in 1861 and retired in 1894, died at the Home for the Aged, at Wilksburg, Pa., January 30, 1897. She had retired because of loss of hearing and eyesight, but did not resign as a missionary. Her interest in the mission work continued, and she aided it as she could by tongue and pen while life lasted. She was a most devoted missionary, and now enjoys the faithful missionary's reward.

D. R. Johnson, M. D., entered the mission in Egypt in 1868 as a medical missionary. He retired in 1875. His death occurred at Aledo, Ill., on the 20th of February, 1897. He was a good man, faithful in the mission, and consecrated as an elder in the church at home.

In this connection we may properly mention the death of Mr. Daniel Peoples, of Liverpool, England. Though in no way connected with our missions, he was a valued friend of many of the missionaries, and showed them no little kindness on their way to and from their fields. He died after a long and useful life at his home in Liverpool, on the 5th of November, 1869.

### II. FURLOUGH.

The Rev. J. S. Barr, D. D., and wife, arrived in this country on furlough from India, on the 18th of June, 1896. They have been greatly benefited by their sojourn in the home land with their children and friends. It is their intention to return to the mission in the autumn this year.

The Rev. J. R. Alexander, D. D., and wife, by a special arrangement, returned to this country on a brief furlough. They arrived on the 12th of June, 1896, sailed for Egypt on Sept. 12th, and reached their field on the 12th of October. They much enjoyed their brief stay in their native land.

The Rev. S. C. Ewing, D. D., and wife, left Egypt on furlough on the 22d of August, and reached this country on the 29th of September. They had been in Egypt for about 15 years since their last visit home. They are expecting to return to Egypt in the autumn.

The Rev. E. M. Giffen and wife, and the Rev. W. M. Nichol and wife, having fulfilled their first term of service, or more than seven years, were granted leave to return on furlough. Mr. and Mrs. Giffen left Egypt on the 21st of April, and landed in this country on the 8th of May. He will be in the Assembly. Mr. and Mrs. Nichol left Egypt April 9th, and reached New York on the 10th of May, and will also be in the Assembly.

The Rev. Samuel Martin, D. D., will come home on furlough, leaving India about the beginning of May, and will be due in this country early in June.

The Rev. J. Kruidenier and wife, who arrived in this country from Egypt in May, 1896, will return in the fall.

### III. RESIGNED.

Miss Anna F. Given entered the mission in India in 1886. She was compelled after some six years, on account of her health, to return to this country. After waiting for several years she has been advised by her physician not to go back to India. She accordingly sent her resignation to the board, and on the 14th of December, 1896, it was accepted. This step was taken by her and by the board with deep regret. She gave great promise of usefulness in the mission field.

### IV. DETAINED IN THIS COUNTRY.

The Rev. G. W. Morrison and wife, who arrived in this country early in 1896, hoped to return to the mission in India this year. Mrs. Morrison's health, however, not justifying this, they are reluctantly compelled to remain here, for at least another year. Mr. Morrison will be engaged in home mission work at Oakesdale, Wash.

The Rev. J. O. Ashenhurst and wife are, for a like reason, prevented from going back to Egypt this year.

### V. RETURNED TO THEIR FIELDS.

Miss Emma Dean Anderson, who had been detained in this country for several years, having been advised by physicians that she could safely return to India, set out, with other missionaries, on the 26th of September, and reached her field on the 12th of November. She at once entered upon her work at Gurdaspur, to which district she had been assigned.

The Rev. Thos. E. Holliday and wife were compelled to come home from India near the close of 1895, on account of the illness of their little daughter. He decided, because of the great need of help in the mission, to return alone and leave Mrs. Holliday and the children in this country for the time being. He sailed on the 23d of December, 1896, reached the mission on the 20th of January, and is located at Hafizabad in the Gujranwala District.

### VI. NEW MISSIONARIES.

The Rev. Geo. A. Sowash was appointed by the last Assembly to the foreign work without designation of field. As he decidedly preferred Egypt, the board yielded to his preference and sent him and the Rev. W. H. Reed, with their wives, to that field, and the Rev. Osborne Crowe and wife, and Miss Emma Josephine Martin to India. They sailed on the 26th of September. Those going to Egypt reached their destination on the 25th of October, and those to India on the 12th of November.

The board appointed in addition on June 29, Miss Kate A. Hill to India, and Miss Cora B. Dickey to Egypt. They sailed on the 26th of September. The latter reached Egypt on the 24th of October, and the former India November 12.

### VII. MEDICAL MISSIONARIES.

A request having come from the mission in Egypt to the Women's Board for the appointment of two young women as medical missionaries, that board sent the names of Miss Anna Beggs Watson, M. D., and Miss Caroline Carle Lawrence, M. D., to the Board of Foreign Missions for formal appointment. The appointment was made on the 14th of September.

They sailed from Philadelphia on the 31st of October, and reached Egypt December 8. They are located at Tanta in the Delta, and will also have a dispensary at Benha.

The mission in Egypt and the board having given their approval to the opening of a hospital on a limited scale by Dr. V. M. Henry, at Asyut, a request was sent to the board for a trained nurse as a prime necessity. Miss Lizzie D. Teas was appointed, as one well qualified to fill the position. The appointment was made on the 14th of September. She sailed with Drs. Watson and Lawrence on October 31, and reached her destination on the 8th of December.

#### VIII. RECOMMENDED FOR APPOINTMENT.

The Rev. E. E. Fife's resignation as a missionary to India was reported to the last Assembly. He had still a longing desire to return to his chosen field of labor. During last summer, feeling that his health was restored, he underwent a careful examination by his physician who certified to the board that he was in firm health and that it was now safe for him to go back to India. His reappointment was therefore made on the 4th of January. The Assembly is asked to confirm this action.

The Rev. Robert Reed McClure was appointed by the last Assembly to the mission in India. Circumstances prevented him from going to the field last autumn. The Assembly is asked to continue his appointment for this year.

After personal interviews, and careful inquiry as to their qualifications the board unanimously agreed at their meeting held March 16 to recommend to the Assembly Mr. James G. Hunt and Mr. W. B. Anderson, of the graduating class in Allegheny Seminary, for appointment to the foreign work—Mr. Hunt to Egypt, and Mr. Anderson to India. It will be for the Assembly to decide whether or not, in view of the financial condition of the board, these recommendations shall be approved, and these appointments made.

The Women's Board having carefully inquired as to the qualifications of Miss Laurella G. Dickson, nominated her to the Board of Foreign Missions, for appointment to India. This appointment was made on the 10th of May. The Assembly is asked to ratify it.

Miss Mary A. Platter, M. D., went to the mission in India in 1894 by a special arrangement for a period of two years. After a successful trial of the work she now desires to remain in the field. Her full appointment is therefore recommended.

For a number of years there has been a special request for a professional teacher who is thoroughly acquainted with the best methods of teaching in this country, with a view to his being employed in Asyut Training College, Egypt. It is believed that a suitable candidate has now been found, namely, Prof. Robt. S. McClenahan. The board recommends his appointment to the educational work in Egypt, with the standing and salary of a missionary, provided that the Assembly shall see the way clear in the present financial condition to make the appointment.

#### VII. ANNUAL CONFERENCES.

The fifth conference of representatives of Foreign Mission Boards in the United States and Canada, was held this year in New York, January 12-14. These conferences from year to year are felt to be increasingly valuable. Questions of great practical importance are discussed, and the combined wisdom of the boards is brought to bear upon their solution. It may be said that a full and final agreement has been reached in relation to the following questions:

"1. That one mission church should not receive into its membership those dismissed on account of conduct from another mission church.

"2. Native converts should be discouraged from coming to Europe and America for education.

"3. Conference is unanimously of the opinion that natives educated in America should not be commissioned on the ordinary missionary basis.

"4. Missionary candidates of the highest qualifications should be secured.

"5. Unanimous concurrence in the belief that the direct preaching of the gospel should hold precedence over all other forms of missionary effort.

"6. Expressions with regard to the value and continuance of the Conference from year to year.

"7. Attitude of Mission Boards toward proposed National Church in India, adverse to the same.

"8. Value of study of missions in theological seminaries and feasible methods of conducted same, including professorships and lectures.

"9. Means of aiding missionaries to greater efficiency in their work, through literature, correspondence and conferences upon the field.

"10. Gradual and steady framing of a policy and methods on the part of Mission Boards in the conduct of their work.

"11. Methods in the work of evangelization and education looking toward self-support.

"12. Rule whereby each Christian community shall bear a definite share of its proper congregational and school expenses and report what it has done to the mission or missionary in charge each year before a further grant is recommended.

"13. Discouragement of gifts outside of regularly approved estimates.

"14. Publication in the annual reports of all the boards and societies of a statement showing each year the relative expenditure for each branch or department of mission work.

"15. Discouragement of all competition for the services of native agents.

"16. Imperative importance to the wise administration of this vast work of frequent visitations to the field on the part of the officers and members of the boards.

"17. The awakening or conversion of pastors of home churches not at present cultivating a missionary spirit in their churches."

## VIII. THE MISSIONS.

### I. INDIA.

#### *a. Encouragements.*

This mission has enjoyed many tokens of the divine favor during the year. The chief blessing has been a revival from the presence of the Lord. Some three years prior to this the missionaries had agreed to make supplication at a special time for the outpouring of the Holy Spirit. They asked the native brethren to unite with them in prayer for this blessing. Subsequently the Church at home was solicited to join in this concert. In answer to prayer the blessing came. At a meeting of the Presbytery of Sialkot on the 24th of March, 1896, while engaged in conference on the subject, "Our Work and Its Needs," there came the first manifestation of the Spirit's presence and power. The most manifest effect was a deep conviction and confession of sin on the part of many native workers. "Men fell on their faces and wept aloud; there were strong crying and tears and most earnest prayers. At a very late hour the leader, with difficulty, interrupted and closed the meeting after a prayer with uplifted hands in personal consecration to the Lord."

The good work thus begun spread to other places, and affected more or less the entire mission. The students in the Theological Seminary, the Girls' Training School in Sialkot, and the Summer Schools enjoyed special tokens of the divine favor. Rawal Pindi and Gurdaspur were receiving a blessing according to the latest word.

A brief visit from Prof. W. W. White, made to some of the stations in the early part of March, 1897, cheered the missionaries. Large expectations of blessing are entertained in regard to the convention of workers of all denominations in the Punjab to be held in Sialkot in the autumn of this year. The convention will be entertained by our mission. The Institute of our Young People's Christian Union held in August last at Omaha, generously made provision for aiding the missionaries in bearing this expense.

*b. Discouragements.*

In the midst of all that has been so encouraging the board regrets to report that owing to the failure of the Church to provide for the necessary monthly remittances of money, the mission became deeply involved in debt. The treasurer borrowed from the local banks until the credit of the mission was exhausted. The rate of interest charged was much greater than in former years. The board transmitted money promptly as it came into the treasury, but all they could send was far short of the demand. The indebtedness to the mission at the end of 1896 was fully \$15,000. The result was that at the best season of the year much of the work was curtailed. Some of the missionaries who went out itinerating in the districts had to dismiss their employes and return to their stations. This was disheartening indeed, and if the success in the work has not been all that was expected for the year the Church at home will see the reason for this. Had it not been for the special favor of the banker in Cairo, the Egyptian mission would have suffered in equal measure. Even missionaries cannot make brick without straw.

To remedy, in some measure, this evil, the board is trying to make provision for borrowing in this country money sufficient to enable its treasurer to transmit the necessary monthly installments in the early part of each year. The easy and perfect remedy, however, would be for the churches to make their contributions early each ecclesiastical year, and thus enable the board to keep its accounts square with the missions, month by month.

The difficulties in relation to money have been greatly increased by the presence of famine in India caused by the failure of crops. Though not so severe in the Punjab as in other parts of the land, yet the famine pressed hard upon many of the poor people, bringing them to the verge of starvation. Prices rose to such an extent as to put it beyond the ability of many of the natives to obtain bread sufficient to sustain life. It was hard indeed for the missionaries to be compelled to dismiss workers when such dismissal meant starvation to them. The missionaries themselves were unable to help the poor natives as they would otherwise have done because of the famine prices which they were compelled to pay for their own support. The plague, too, was raging in the cities on the coast, and was threatening the inland towns and cities. Mercifully the country at large has been spared from this scourge, but altogether the year has been in many respects a trying one.

Yet though tried in many ways the year's work has been successful.

*c. Statistics.*

The following statistics will be read with interest: There are now in the field 15 ordained American ministers, 13 wives of ministers, 18 young women missionaries, and 2 women medical missionaries. The native or-

dained ministers are 9, and there are 13 licentiates and theological students. Other native workers are 277, making a total of native laborers of 249, and a grand total of workers in the field, American and native, of 296. There are 11 stations, 15 organized congregations, and 500 villages in which more or less work is being carried on. The average attendance upon the principal services is 3,450. There are 2,322 communicants, and in addition to these, 4,406 baptized adults, making a total membership of 6,728. There were received during the year 698 on profession of faith, and 438 by certificate and restoration. Fifty-five members died, 935 removed or were suspended, making a net gain for the year of 143. The entire Christian community numbers 8,559. There were 572 infants and 640 adults baptized during the year. The Sabbath-schools number 122, and the scholars in them, 3,781. The contributions by the natives for religious purposes were \$730—a considerable gain over last year. There are 190 day schools. In these are 5,151 boys and 1,323 girls, a total of 6,474. For the support of these schools the government paid \$6,723, and the natives \$6,366. 460 Bibles, Testaments, and other works were sold during the year.

These figures are encouraging, showing as they do that there has been progress along almost the entire line of work.

#### *d. Methods.*

The main object, as in former years, has been to preach the gospel. It is "the power of God unto salvation to every one that believeth." It pleases God "by the foolishness of preaching to save them that believe." Hence the gospel is preached in the churches, the bazars, the streets, the highways, in tents, in houses, and wherever people can be gotten to hear it.

Connected with this, Sabbath and day schools are established, many zenanas are entered by the women missionaries who alone have access to them, and in a familiar way the gospel is taught to wives, mothers, and daughters. The medical missionaries, while treating, as they have done, no less than 37,850 patients for the ills of the body, have, of themselves, and by their native assistants, sought to bring healing to the souls of those who came to them for bodily help.

In the Boarding and Training Schools and the Theological Seminary the aim has been to bring forward as rapidly as possible qualified native workers and ministers of the gospel. The mission, encouraged and stimulated continually by the board, keeps constantly in view the establishing of a native self-sustaining, self-propagating and independent Church. Because of the ignorance and extreme poverty of the mass of the people the progress is necessarily slow, but progress is being steadily made. The revival during the past year has helped much in this direction. Indeed it is believed by the missionaries that a general and universal revival would go far towards settling the question of self-support. May that longed-for day speedily come!

The Summer School, that is a school specially designed for Bible study, for prayer and conference, and for the developing and training of the workers employed by the mission, has been in operation for some years past. The school is held in the central station in the district, or sometimes two or more districts combine and hold a school in a central place. The conducting of the school is done by the missionaries of the district or districts. It grows in favor and usefulness from year to year, and has been specially blessed by the revival influences during the past year.

The medical work increases in importance and influence. Dr. Platter says of the work connected with the Memorial Hospital in Sialkot: "We feel that the Lord has been with us, and by his help we have done great things for some of the poor sufferers whom he has sent unto us." She has had 102 in-patients, and of herself and by her assistants has treated 13,438 persons.

The Good Samaritan Hospital in Jhelum was opened in March, 1896. Dr. S. E. Johnson reports that during the year 17,311 patients have been treated. From May to the end of December the hospital received 94 cases, and during the year 161 operations were performed in the hospital. Donations for the work to the amount of more than \$600 are acknowledged. In the Bhera Branch Dispensary, Miss Morgan treated 7,101 cases, making a total of 24,412. "Thus," says Dr. Johnson, "every department of the work shows progress, for which we are very thankful."

On the whole the cheering language of the mission in the introduction to their report is fully justified. They say, "The increase of attendance at schools—secular and religious, Sabbath services, prayer and missionary meetings, the encouraging growth of congregations and Sabbath-schools, and the increase of spiritual life among missionaries, native pastors and workers, all give evidence of the deepening and widening of the Christ life in the midst of his church here. \* \* \* The outlook to-day is certainly bright. God is surely coming."

## II. EGYPT.

### *a. The Cholera.*

During the past year Egypt suffered an unusually severe visitation from the cholera. With the exceptions already noted our missionaries escaped, although they were daily exposed to the scourge. The lives of the members of the church were generally spared. The exceptions were comparatively few. This indicates the protecting providence of God, and at the same time has been a recommendation of Christianity which enjoins cleanly and healthy modes of living. The work of the mission was not very seriously interfered with by the presence of this dreaded disease, though some of it was temporarily suspended, and a number of children in the schools were removed by death. The scourge disappeared in the autumn, and the work has been going on with its usual success.

The mission was encouraged, as was also the India mission, by the reinforcements sent out in the fall. The sending of two women medical missionaries under the auspices of the Women's Board was an experiment. They were asked for and welcomed by the mission. Their way seems to be opening up before them, and it is believed that they will be the means of bringing healing to the bodies and souls of many of their degraded and oppressed sisters in Egypt.

The mission was cheered and helped also by a visit in the early part of the year from Mr. J. R. Mott, of the Student Volunteer Movement, and in the autumn from Prof. W. W. White, of our Church and of the Moody Institute, Chicago. He was going to India to labor for two years among the young Hindu students of the colleges. The mission in Egypt asked the board to arrange, if possible, to have Prof. White stop for a time in Egypt. The arrangement was made, the board agreeing to pay only the extra expenses incurred by Dr. White in stopping in on his way. He addressed, in a number of lectures, and familiar talks, during his six weeks' stay, the missionaries, the native workers and scholars in Cairo and Asyut, and from the districts generally. The unanimous testimony of the missionaries is that a special blessing thus came to them and to the large number of students and native laborers who enjoyed the services of Prof. White. The expense of this work was generously provided for by the Young People's Institute at Omaha.

### *b. The Work.*

The work in the mission has gone on in the lines heretofore reported. The annual report, which will be published as usual soon after the adjournment of the Assembly, will no doubt be read with deep interest. It

will show progress in every department of effort. The following statistics will indicate the state of the work, and its advance for the year.

*c. Statistics.*

Thirteen ordained American missionaries are now in the field, and 12 wives of missionaries. There are 10 young women missionaries, 1 male physician and his wife, two young women physicians, and one trained nurse, making a total of 40. Eight are in this country. There are 21 native ordained pastors, 22 licentiates, and 379 other workers under the care of presbytery and the mission, a total of 422 native laborers, and a grand total of 462 foreign and native. There are 9 principal mission districts, and 197 stations—seven having been opened during the year. Nine young men are in the theological seminary. Three having completed their course the last session were licensed to preach. This institution, which was opened in 1864, has graduated 51 preachers of the gospel. There are 39 organized congregations, 35 of these having pastors. In these and the preaching stations are 5,355 members, 2,297 of these being women. 573 were received during the year on profession, 147 on certificate. Net increase 351. The average attendance upon the Sabbath morning services was 10,497. The contributions for definitely religious purposes were \$16,609, and for all other purposes \$36,915, a total of \$53,524, or an average of \$10 for each member.

The Sabbath-schools now number 127, and in these are 6,849 scholars. Their contributions amounted to \$581 for the year. The day schools are 168 in number, 35 for girls and 133 for boys. In these are 11,014 scholars—3,038 girls and 7,976 boys. Twenty per cent. of these scholars are Mohammedans. The total number of teachers and other missionaries employed in these schools is 272. The enrollment of boarding pupils in the Training College in Asyut for the year was 447, and there were 100 day pupils. Four students graduated at the close of the term, and one of these entered the theological seminary. In the Pressly Memorial Institute in Asyut, and the boarding school in Cairo 250 girls were enrolled for the year.

The general book depot is in Cairo, with eight central stations in the districts. Twenty-six colporteurs are employed, who go into almost every corner of the land. 16,410 copies of the Scriptures were sold during the year. Other religious books 10,614, and of educational works 35,320, making a total of 62,344, for which \$11,127 were received. The total number of Bibles sold since the beginning of the work in 1855 is 248,486.

In addition to the regular weekly church services there are 68 stations where special work is carried on for women. Engaged in this are 54 special harem workers, and these instruct in the Bible and in religion, 2,843 women.

Dr. V. M. Henry reports having treated 14,482 patients the past year, besides having made 1,478 professional visits. For his services he received in fees \$2,832. His expenses for office, assistant, etc., were \$1,023. These patients have generally been told of the Saviour, and many of them have shown an interest in hearing the gospel. Great benefit, it is expected, will result to the work from the hospital which has been opened during the year.

Drs. Watson and Lawrence had entered their field in Tanta less than one month before the close of the year, yet they report for those few days having treated 41 patients, performed one operation and received \$9.50 for their services. The report says, "Their consecrated efforts and superior skill are already beginning to bear fruit."

Surely this brief exhibit should encourage and cheer all hearts. The Lord is greatly blessing our missions.



*d. Still Remaining.*

The societies which were mentioned in the last annual report as having entered this field seem disposed to continue. Some friendly correspondence has been conducted with them, but they are not disposed to withdraw. As the country is being so well occupied in its great centers by our mission, and almost every part of it being visited by our colporteurs, evangelists and teachers, it is hoped that the societies referred to will at least not enlarge their work. Should they do so it will not conduce, in the end, to the best interests of the cause of Christ in the land of Egypt.

## IX. SALARIES AND AID FOR THE AGED AND DISABLED.

During the year the questions came up for consideration, (a) Should the salaries of the single women missionaries be increased? (b) Should a distinction be made between the salaries of medical women and single women missionaries? (c) Should provision be made for the temporal need of single women missionaries who may be compelled to give up their work by reason of old age, or broken health? These questions were referred to the missions, and after their answers were received the whole matter was carefully considered by the board and also by the Women's Board. The conclusion reached will be laid before the Assembly in a separate report.

## X. GOOD CHEER FROM SPECIAL HELPERS.

While the Board has been encouraged by the increased interest in the work which has been manifested throughout the Church in many ways during the year, and for the self-sacrificing help that has been given by many, yet it is not invidious to refer to some who have been special helpers.

(1) There have been those who have given largely, but who have made it a condition that their names should not be publicly mentioned. One of these sent \$1,000 at one time to the treasurer and allowed himself to be known only as "X. Y. Z." The same sent an additional \$200 at another time. Another who must be known only as "A Friend of Missions," contributed \$1,000. The Lord knows, and will reward these who have done these things in their inostentatious way.

(2) The papers of the Church have laid us under special obligations for the help which they have offered in giving valuable space to the "Monthly Statement," to numerous letters from the missionaries, and other articles on foreign missions. The "Women's Magazine" should be specially mentioned in this connection.

(3) The Women's Board has selected and nominated for appointment the young women who have been sent to the work; they have furnished the money for their outfit and passage, and are now paying the salaries of all the single women missionaries in both mission fields. This is noble and deserves recognition and thanks by the whole Church.

(4) The Young People's Institute, which met in Omaha in August last, made voluntary contributions for missions, and as the result the large sum of \$3,312.21 has come into the board's treasury.

(5) Although the Holland Christian Reformed Church has resolved to enter upon a separate mission among the American Indians, yet some of the brethren feel that they are under a measure of obligation to our mission in Egypt. Accordingly the congregations at Holland and Zeeland, Mich., and others in the vicinity sent to our treasury a donation of \$179.33. For this they received our special thanks.

(6) Mr. E. Z. Paul, of Monmouth, Ill., put into our treasury at one time the very generous contribution of \$1,223.70. Mr. Thomas Robinson,

of Westview, Pa., put the board under obligation to the amount of \$2,000, and Mr. A. M. Stewart, of Indiana, Pa., to the amount of \$1,421. A large number of other liberal donors might be mentioned.

(7) Miss Mary Herron, of Allegheny City, Pa., placed in charge of the board in trust the munificent sum of \$6,000, to constitute "The Campbell B. Herron Memorial Fund." the money to be securely invested and the interest to be used annually in opening up and carrying on mission work in the Delta of Egypt, under the care of the board, specially in employing native evangelists, teachers, colporteurs and such other evangelistic workers as the board shall deem needful. This trust was most thankfully accepted by the board, and its terms will be faithfully carried out from year to year.

(8) A few years ago two sisters, the Misses Caroline Philips Stokes and Olivia E. P. Stokes, of New York, visited Egypt. They became specially interested in our mission work, and offered to pay the salary for three or five years of a medical woman missionary, if one suitable were found. The missionary was not then in sight. A short time ago these ladies were again in Egypt; they remembered their proposition, and meeting Miss Caroline C. Lawrence, M. D., in Cairo, they at once agreed to pay her annual salary, for at least a period of three years, and have sent the money for her salary for one year. These noble women are not in the membership of our Church. Their generosity is therefore all the more appreciated by the board, and by the Women's Board, which is specially helped by this means.

(9) The Assembly should thank all these friends and helpers, and should make special mention of L. Muller, Esq., & Sons, of Alexandria, Egypt, for favors in bank and for efficient help in purchasing property, Mr. F. C. Penfield, U. S. Diplomatic Agent, Consul General at Cairo, Lord Cromer, Her Majesty's Minister and Consul General in Egypt, the president of Railway Commissioners in Egypt, the American Tract Society, the American Bible Society, the British and Foreign Bible Society, the Bible Lands Mission Aid Society, Messrs. Thomas Cook & Son, London, and John P. Duncan, Esq., of New York.

And let the most devout thanks be given to God for his beneficent favor to our foreign mission work throughout the year, and specially for the gracious outpouring of his spirit, producing manifest revival among the native Christians, and gladdening the hearts of our missionaries.

M. G. Kyle, President.

W. W. Barr, Cor. Sec.

Robt. L. Latimer, Treas.

Philadelphia, May 10th, 1897.

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## REPORT OF THE BOARD OF HOME MISSIONS.

In presenting this annual report the Board of Home Missions gratefully acknowledges the goodness of God in giving continued prosperity to most of the work committed by the Church to its care. The usual monthly meetings have been held, and in addition several days have recently been devoted to a careful preliminary examination of many applications for aid to which the rules of the sliding scale and the fifteen year limit apply.

## I. CONDITION AND PROGRESS OF THE WORK:

	1895.	1896.	1897.
Stations granted aid, year ending March 31....	219	203	206
Presbyteries represented.....	53	55	55
Stations reporting .....	204	200	202
Stations reporting for less than four quarters....	78	70	54
Unorganized Mission Stations.....	1	0	0
Average attendance in stations reporting.....	19,088	17,801	17,440
Communicants .....	14,516	14,383	14,670
Increase by Profession.....	1,639	1,211	1,239
Increase by Certificate.....	1,173	1,209	1,307
Decrease .....	1,276	1,337	1,292
Net gain .....	1,536	1,083	1,254
Increase by Profession, per cent.....	12.6	9.1	9.2
Net gain, per cent.....	11.8	8.1	9.3
Teachers in Sabbath Schools.....	1,624	1,606	1,673
Scholars in Sabbath Schools.....	18,857	18,239	18,482
Contributions to the Boards.....	\$13,073	\$13,017	\$13,460
For Salary of Pastors and Supplies.....	63,477	59,900	61,794
Organized congregations without church buildings .....	13	16	21
Stations with preaching full time.....	156	153	162
Settled Pastors .....	109	97	110
Stations served by settled pastors.....	114	99	112
Stations granted aid, year ending June 30.....	200	186	197
Appropriations, including grants by Board.....	\$76,753	\$75,578	\$76,339
Payments to Presbyteries.....	68,606	68,212	70,612
Entire expenditures, year ending March 31....	71,826	77,034	77,227

These figures exhibit decided improvement over those of last year, though the gain in membership is not up to the high mark of some years preceding. In general the work is in encouraging condition. The growth in the older portions of the country has been as large as at any time in the past, but the average increase is much reduced by the unfavorable conditions which continue to prevail in parts of the West. In that region the rapid influx of population, the active development of natural resources and business enterprises, and with these the wonderful extension of church work in the organization of many congregations by all branches of the Church, has been arrested. It is altogether probable that home mission work in the younger states must be prosecuted in future under conditions very different from those which have heretofore existed. In church work, as in everything else, the boom period is past. Growth and prosperity must come hereafter by slower steps and by patient labor. Yet this changed prospect does not lessen the importance of the mission work, or the hope of a blessed and successful outcome from it. The need of it is certainly as great as ever. The new conditions, too, while giving rise to new problems, will be on the whole more favorable to permanent results. The Church must not cease to use all the resources at her command to spread through all the land the influence of that divine truth which alone can save the souls of men, and secure the lasting welfare of the nation.

Not much new work has been undertaken. The list includes, however, Quincy, Mass., the Fairhill mission, Philadelphia, a very recent organization in Toledo, Ohio, and a second church in Topeka, Kansas. As directed by the General Assembly, the Board has made careful inquiry as to Washington, D. C., but has not felt warranted in recommending the establishment of a mission there at present.

During the year an agreement was entered into with the Board of Home Missions of the Associate Reformed Church, South, to join with them in

the support of the mission of that Church at Louisville, Ky. This is in accordance with the plan of co-operation approved by the General Assembly, and is, we trust, but the beginning of joint work by the two Churches in the home field. A minister of our Church, Rev. Neil Ferguson, is at present in charge of the mission. The Board of Home Missions of the A. R. Church will have a representative at the meeting of the General Committee.

II. GRANTS BY THE BOARD. In addition to the regular appropriations fixed in detail by the General Assembly upon recommendation of the General Committee, \$5,000 to meet emergencies and \$1,525 for cases referred, a total of \$6,525 was placed at the disposal of the Board. Of this amount the Board has granted \$1,195 to meet the needs of cases referred, and \$1,905 for emergencies, in all \$3,100. Details are as follows:

For Cases Referred. *Boston Presbytery*, Worcester, \$575; *Illinois Southern*, De Witt, \$380; *Pounce*, Lamar, \$100, Madrid, \$100; *Pittsburg*, Chetopa, \$40 additional.

To Meet Emergencies. *Albany Presbytery*, Albany, \$200; *Boston*, Quincy, \$150\*; *Cedar Rapids*, Barclay, \$100; *College Springs*, Greenfield, \$200, Platte Valley, \$25, Wirt, \$50; *Des Moines*, Albia, \$150; *Detroit*, Stevensburg and connections, additional for exploring work in neighborhood, \$50\*; *Garnett*, Blue Mound, \$150; *Indiana*, Indianapolis First, \$325 additional; *Omaha*, Orchard, \$125; *Pittsburg*, Sylvania, \$180; *Westmoreland*, Pitcairn, \$50; *A. R. Synod of the South*, Louisville, Ky., \$150, 6 months. Only the two stations marked \* can be counted as new work.

III. SPECIAL MISSIONS. Twenty-eight stations have been in the special care of the Board. In nearly all of these regular services have been maintained by settled pastors or permanent supplies, and we rejoice to report that very few changes are in prospect. While it must be said that a few of these special missions have not prospered and give little promise of success, yet the great majority of them are making very substantial progress, and may be expected ere long to become self-supporting. The general tone of the reports is more cheering than it has been for years. The membership reported in twenty-eight stations is 2,081, a net gain of 249, or nearly 12 per cent. All but one have houses of worship. Nine report parsonages, but in no case are these entirely free from debt. The Board cannot speak in too high terms of the faithfulness and efficiency of the brethren who are serving the Church in these important fields. In the following statements only such facts are mentioned as do not clearly appear in the statistical tables.

*Baltimore, North Avenue, Philadelphia Presbytery*, '95-1900.\* Rev. C. H. Robinson, stated supply, has been in charge throughout the year and is reappointed. This mission has from the first made exceptionally good progress, and has bright prospects for growth and success. The work of both congregation and Sabbath-school, though well organized, is retarded by the inadequacy of the temporary structure used as a place of worship. It ought to be replaced as soon as possible by a suitable church building, and it is hoped that this can be accomplished during the coming year. The Presbytery asked, and the Board has approved, a grant of \$900 for next year. This is a reduction of \$150.

*Canton, Mansfield Presbytery*, '94-9. Rev. D. K. McKnight, Ph.D., has been the stated supply since organization, but has declined reappointment. The Board desires to place on record its appreciation of Dr. McKnight's faithful work during the four years of his service. He has been especially successful in the management of building operations. The field has been found a difficult one, and the growth has not been what was hoped for, but these recent years have not been favorable in many mission fields. A renewal of the grant of \$1,000 has been asked, and is recommended. Mr.

\*These figures indicate terms as special missions.

C. R. Stevenson, of the graduating class in Allegheny Seminary, has accepted an appointment as stated supply for three months, beginning July 1, with a view to a more permanent arrangement if found desirable.

*Davenport, Rock Island Presbytery, '84-9; '94-5-8.* Rev. J. T. Meloy is the pastor. He reports all parts of the work well organized, and the congregation in harmony and in good working condition. There has been a slight decrease in the membership reported. The field is a very difficult one, and rapid growth cannot be expected. Notwithstanding this, pastor and people are hopeful. The special report says, "Our church is needed in this city. It is now a spiritual factor more potent, we have many reasons to believe, than some churches with four or five times our membership." \$450, a reduction of \$50, has been granted for next year.

*Denver, Boulevard, Colorado Presbytery, '93-8.* Rev. J. G. Kennedy continues in this field as stated supply, his reappointment being asked by congregation and Presbytery. The membership has increased largely, and the whole work is regarded as in satisfactory and promising condition. "Our church is well located for a suburban church, and when we get the balance of our debt paid I see no reason why the congregation may not step rapidly into self-support," is the hopeful sentence with which Bro. Kennedy concludes his report. The Presbytery asked and the Board approves a grant of \$1,000 for the coming year—a reduction of \$150.

*Detroit, Presbytery of Detroit, '91-6-9.* Rev. W. H. Vincent, D. D., was installed as pastor in the early part of the year. At the same time the congregation entered its new house of worship, and the report indicates a prosperous condition of the work in every way. The people are giving liberally, and everything indicates that the pastor is right when he says, "The work here has passed the experimental stage, and only requires a little time and care and toil to become self-sustaining." The whole Church will rejoice with him in the success God has given to his labors for the re-establishment of our cause in that great city. \$800, a reduction of \$150, has been asked and granted for next year.

*Findlay, Sidney Presbytery, '90-5-8.* As no one was ready to take his place at the beginning of the year the former stated supply, Rev. J. F. McKnight, continued to serve for some months. After some other temporary appointments, Rev. J. C. Scott took charge of the work about the beginning of February. It is understood that the congregation desires his appointment for the new year, but the Board cannot take action until the Presbytery has been consulted. Mr. Scott reports that, while no growth has taken place, the congregation is united and in good condition. The city has suffered like others from business depression. Yet the people of our church generally are hopeful of good results in the future. There is a missionary field, and if business conditions improve, as many think they show signs of doing, our work should in time succeed. Rapid growth, however, cannot be expected. A renewal of the grant of last year, \$650, was asked by Presbytery and is approved by the Board.

*Kansas City First, Kansas City Presbytery, '93-8.* Rev. J. F. Ross has been the stated supply, and is reappointed upon the hearty request of the congregation and Presbytery. The report received from this old mission is much the most cheering for many years. The congregation is united, well organized, shows improved working spirit and increased liberality. "Our prospects for ultimate success are bright." Presbytery asked and the Board grants \$700 for the coming year, a reduction of \$100.

*Kansas City Second, Kansas City Presbytery, '88-93-8.* Rev. James White, D. D., pastor. In this mission, also, the condition and outlook as reported by the pastor are good and improving. The pressure of hard times has to some extent continued, but the outlook for the city is improving, and with

the blessing of God upon faithful labor this congregation will yet be firmly established. The grant asked for next year by the Presbytery and recommended by the Board is \$800, a reduction of \$100.

*Lincoln, Pawnee Presbytery, '91-6-9.* After more than three years acceptable and efficient service in this field. Rev. E. E. Fife will leave it July 1st, to return to our mission in India. Though these years have been marked by most unfavorable conditions, the city having lost in population and suffered severely under business depression, yet Bro. Fife has the satisfaction of leaving the congregation in improved condition, with better working spirit and better prospects for ultimate success. A considerable debt remaining upon the building has greatly burdened the congregation, but there is good hope of very early relief from this. The expense of street paving, which must be met in annual installments for several years, will, however, still tax the people heavily. The grant of \$1,000 has been renewed for next year. A stated supply will be secured, if possible, to take charge at the beginning of July.

*Muncie, Presbytery of Northern Indiana, '90-5-8.* Rev. J. C. White has continued throughout the year as stated supply and is reappointed. He reports the prospects for success as, on the whole, much better than in past years. There has been some growth. The spiritual condition is regarded as good, and the members show more disposition to active work. The Presbytery asked a renewal of the grant of \$800, but the Board, hoping that the increased number of members would assume a little more towards the salary of the minister, has allowed but \$750.

*Oakland, San Francisco Presbytery, '93-8.* Rev. J. M. French has been the stated supply for several years, and is reappointed. He says, "On the whole, I regard the congregation as in more promising condition than at any time since I took up the work." There have been losses, especially in financial strength, by the removal of members, but there is a net gain in numbers. Efforts are making to clear off debt, about \$850 remaining to be paid. This prevents larger contributions to salary for the present. The work is well organized and conducted. Presbytery asks a renewal of the appropriation of \$1,000, but the Board has granted but \$900, believing that the congregation should endeavor to make up an additional \$100.

*Olympia, Puget Sound Presbytery, '93-8.* Rev. W. G. M. Hays, D. D., continues to be the stated supply, and has been reappointed. While the numerical growth is small, the condition of the congregation is reported as in most respects excellent. In recent years the city has not been growing. Improvement in this respect is expected, and it is believed that our church will succeed. It occupies already a recognized position and has an influence upon the community. For the coming year the Board was asked to grant \$1,000, but it is felt that the members themselves should do much more than they promise, and the grant has been made \$975 on condition the congregation shall pay at least \$225, which would be at the average rate of \$5 per member.

*Pasadena, Los Angeles Presbytery, '96-1901.* Rev. E. S. McKittrick, D. D., stated supply, has served throughout the year, and is reappointed. The organization has been completed by the election of elders, and the erection of a house of worship is going forward rapidly. The whole work is in exceptionally good condition and everything indicates constant progress toward its successful establishment. The people are giving with remarkable liberality. The Board has willingly granted the request for an appropriation of \$950, being \$50 less than was given a year ago.

*Philadelphia, Wharton Square, Presbytery of Philadelphia, '93-8.* Rev. J. P. Sharp continues as stated supply, and is reappointed for the next year.

He reports very gratifying progress, and a very encouraging outlook for success. The work is well organized. A new house of worship will soon be completed, that which has been used up to this time being only a temporary structure. The Presbytery asked and the Board has granted \$900 for next year, a reduction of \$150.

*Pittsburg, Kansas, Presbytery of Pittsburg, '90-5-8.* Rev. J. H. Gibson still remains in the field, as he has been from the organization, and is reappointed as stated supply. Not only from the special report received, but from a visit of the secretary to this field, it is known that Bro. Gibson has the hearty support of his people. They are working in harmony and with enthusiasm. Decided progress is shown along all lines. The people are giving liberally, most of them being tithe-payers. The prospects for success are excellent. \$650, a reduction of \$50, has been asked and granted for the coming year.

*Pueblo, Colorado Presbytery, '90-5-1900.* Rev. A. E. Brownlee is the stated supply, and is reappointed, upon the cordial request of the congregation, approved by Presbytery. Little progress has been made during the year, but in the condition of business affairs in the city this is not surprising. The congregation is in good condition, has made needed improvement in the surroundings of the church, is well organized, and confident of success when the better times hoped for shall come. The people are doing well in their own contributions for the support of the work. \$850 has been asked and granted for next year, being \$50 less than the last appropriation.

*St. Louis, Wagoner Place, Illinois Southern Presbytery, '93-8.* Rev. A. C. Douglass has remained in charge as stated supply, and is reappointed. This congregation is in excellent condition, and maintains its record for liberal giving. The growth this last year has been small, and the opening of many other churches in the neighborhood has made the Sabbath-school work more difficult and lessened the prospect for rapid growth; but there is no reason to doubt the ultimate success of the mission. As the congregation has had debt and improvements to pay, they felt the reduction of aid last year quite sensibly. For the coming year Presbytery asked and the Board recommends a renewal of the grant of \$900.

*Spokane, Spokane Presbytery, '91-6-1901.* After seven years of devoted work in this field Rev. W. A. Spalding, who has been reappointed as the stated supply, presents a cheering report. Growth has been encouraging. The congregation is thoroughly organized; a new church building, to complete the partial structure erected some years ago, will soon be begun; in all ways progress is manifest. A mission Sabbath-school work has been maintained in a needy part of the city, with good results and prospects of better. The people are disposed both to give and to work. The close of Bro. Spalding's report is: "The prospects for success, as I see them, were never better. A great many people of the city outside the congregation are manifesting an interest in our work, and if we succeed in getting our new church building (and we will succeed) we will be in a fair way to bid the Board an affectionate farewell before many years. The outlook for this city was never so good as now." \$800, a reduction of \$100, was asked and granted for the coming year.

*Springfield, Mo., Pittsburg Presbytery, '93-8.* Rev. John Teaz still has charge as stated supply, and is reappointed. The stagnation of business in the city has been so great that little growth has taken place, but the work is reported in good condition, and the missionary is hopeful of improvement in the near future and of ultimate success. He is taking a leading part in the good citizenship movement, in which for the first time all the churches of the city have been brought to unite, and our little congregation

holds a recognized and influential place in the community. Nearly all the people give liberally in proportion to their means. \$700 has been asked and granted for the coming year, a reduction of \$50.

*Tacoma, Puget Sound Presbytery, '91-6-9.* Rev. A. F. Kirkpatrick has been settled as the pastor. For the first time in the history of this congregation the year closes with a net loss of members, owing to continued business depression, and the people have a hard struggle to meet necessary outlay. Yet the church is in harmony, in excellent working order, and hopeful for the future. The pastor has been partially laid aside for a time by illness, and feels the strain of six years continuous work. He says: "The outlook for the future is in many ways good, but much depends on that business revival for which we have been vainly looking so long. The church has good standing in the city. Lately we are having an increase in the attendance of people of the world and are praying and believing that the Spirit may lead them to Christ." A grant of \$850, which is \$100 less than last year, was asked and is recommended by the Board.

The twenty stations named above will continue for the present in the special care of the Board. Eight others cease with the current year to be special missions. Their reports and requests will, as usual, be laid before the General Committee.

*Altoona, Conemaugh Presbytery, '92-7.* Rev. R. A. Hutchison, stated supply. The work of this dear brother was much interrupted during the earlier months of the year by the illness and death of his wife. But when enabled in the winter to resume his work, the blessing of God rested upon his labors, and he presents a report which is in every way encouraging. The requests of Presbytery are for a grant of \$775, the same as last year, the reappointment of the missionary, and renewal as a special mission for three years.

*Columbus, Neil Ave., Xenia Presbytery, '92-7.* Early in the fall, after some months of transient supply, Rev. W. J. Buchanan accepted a call and became pastor. He reports the work in very encouraging condition. There has been growth in numbers and progress in paying off debts, and the prospects for reaching self-support in a short time are good. A grant of \$680 is asked for the next year, and the renewal for three years of the special mission relation.

*Kearney, Omaha Presbytery, '88-93, '94-7.* About the last of August Rev. M. M. Gilchrist, stated supply, left the field. For several months afterwards occasional supplies were sent by the Presbytery. In January, by an arrangement with the congregation, which was afterwards accepted by the Board, Rev. J. H. Niblock took charge of the work. The Board is informed that the congregation desires his appointment as stated supply for the coming year, but Presbytery seems to have taken no action in the matter. It is difficult to report in regard to this mission. The city has suffered in recent years to an unusual extent by the removal of many of the people. Our church is not the only one that has lost in membership. Kearney will probably be a city of considerable importance, and our work there should be sustained. \$750 is asked for next year; also, renewal of the term as a special mission.

*Omaha, South, Presbytery of Omaha, '92-7.* Rev. H. P. Espy closes his first year as stated supply. Though his work has been affected by the depression of business, which is peculiarly severe in all that region, he presents an encouraging report, and regards the prospects for success as much brighter. Aid will be needed for some years, no doubt, but with God's blessing upon his earnest work, we trust this young brother, whose reappointment is earnestly asked, will be permitted to see the congregation making progress toward self-support. A renewal of the grant of \$750 is asked, and continuance as a special mission.



*Portland, Grand Ave., Oregon Presbytery, '92-7.* Rev. H. F. Wallace, D.D., has been settled as the pastor. He reports the work in good condition in every way, but little progress made owing to business depression and enforced removal of members. Improved business conditions must come before much growth can be expected. The congregation is worthy of help in its time of need. A renewal of the grant of \$1,050 and continuance for three years as a special mission are the requests submitted.

*Seattle, Puget Sound Presbytery, '92-7.* Rev. W. M. Howie, stated supply. While some severe losses are recorded, the report shows some growth and a generally encouraging condition of things in the congregation. Prospects for the future depend very much, as in all that region, upon revival of business, but of this some signs are discerned. Application is made for a grant of \$900, \$150 less than was given last year, and for the reappointment of Mr. Howie.

*Sioux City, Northwestern Iowa Presbytery, '92-7.* From the organization of the congregation Rev. J. A. McKirahan has been the stated supply, and his reappointment is asked. The report this year is the best that has ever been received. There has been encouraging increase, and the prospects for success are regarded as decidedly better. \$1,050, a reduction of \$50, the reappointment of the stated supply and continuance for three years as a special mission, are the requests submitted.

*Waitsburg, Spokane Presbytery, '92-7.* Rev. J. A. Keener serves as stated supply, and is also in charge of the Waitsburg Academy, which is so closely linked with the interests of our cause in the Northwest. He presents an admirable report. While there is no growth, excellent work has been done, the congregation is in good condition, and is deserving of aid on account of the relation it sustains to the school and to our future work in that whole region. Requests are presented for a renewal of the grant of \$400, for the reappointment of Mr. Keener, and for continuance as a special mission.

IV. WORK OF THE WOMEN'S BOARD. The mission among the Warm Springs Indians has been supported entirely by the Women's Board, as for years past. On this account their expenditure has been \$2,947.19. That Board has also furnished nine women workers, some of them, however, for but part of the year, who have done excellent service in some of the more important city missions. The cost of this branch of the work we cannot report clearly. The statement received says: "We have expended during the year for home missions \$4,746.50," but it is not understood whether this includes Indian work or refers only to the cost of women missionaries, and there is not time before the printing of this report to get the needed information. But we desire to make special acknowledgment of the help given during the past winter at a time when the treasury was empty and our missionaries were unpaid for months after the date when their claims should have been met. In this strait the Women's Board assumed the payment of what was due for one quarter to the missions at Newton, Kansas; Woodruff avenue, Indianapolis; Wildomar, Cal.; Alliance, Neb.; Tacoma, Wash., and Lamar, Col., and for this purpose sent to our treasurer a check for \$997.50. This amount, with others received directly from congregational missionary societies, is credited among the receipts from Women's Missionary Societies.

V. SLIDING SCALE AND LIMIT OF TIME. Out of 216 stations for which aid is asked for the next year, 120 have been brought before the Board with requests for exemption from the operation of the sliding scale or of the new rule fixing a limit of fifteen years, after which aid shall not ordinarily be given. Much time has been spent upon these cases, the

Board holding special meetings for the purpose. Recommendation to the favorable consideration of the General Committee has been given in 98 instances.

VI. FINANCIAL CONDITION.	1895.	1896.	1897.
Received from Presbyteries.....	\$47,926 86	\$56,063 24	\$58,714 20
From Sabbath Schools and Young People	291 99	851 21	863 09
From Ladies' Missionary Societies.....	46 10	10 00	1,143 50
From Individuals .....	4,005 19	3,347 66	7,218 25
 Total Direct Contributions .....	 \$52,270 14	 \$60,272 11	 \$67,939 04
From Legacies .....	6,555 72	2,860 26	8,476 44
From Investments .....	892 17	884 30	811 70
 Total Receipts .....	 \$59,718 03	 \$64,016 67	 \$77,227 18
Total Expenditures .....	\$71,825 86	\$77,034 35	\$77,227 18

The ordinary outlay for the work of the year was \$74,610.44, leaving a balance of \$2,616.74, which was repaid to permanent funds, thus reducing the debt of \$13,017.68 reported a year ago to \$10,400.94.

It is gratifying to report this increased income, especially in direct contributions, which are much larger than ever before. The total receipts, also, have never been exceeded save in 1892, when the extraordinary amount of over \$26,000 came in from legacies. During the past year very excellent work was performed by the Special Committee appointed by the General Assembly in bringing the needs of the home mission cause before the Church, and to this, no doubt, is largely due the increase of direct contributions. Special acknowledgment is due also to many individuals, most of whom desired that their names be not published, who have sent donations, some of them of very considerable amount. The special help of the Women's Board has already been mentioned. Receipts from legacies have far exceeded those of recent years. Thus the good providence of God has enlarged the income from all the ordinary sources.

It must be noted, however, that the larger contributions have but little more than covered the cost of the work for the year. The debt of the Board remains at so high a figure that it must embarrass as seriously as ever the payments of the coming year, while nothing has been done to replace the exhausted reserve fund. Of the debt, \$6,000 is due upon a note in bank, maturing before this report can be laid before the General Assembly, and \$4,400.94 has been drawn from permanent funds, which must be repaid. Most of the increased receipts of this year are from individual donations and from legacies, and these are exceedingly variable and unreliable sources of income. Evidently, then, it is necessary that there be no relaxation in the effort to secure from the Church greatly enlarged support for our home work.

To prevent misunderstanding we repeat the statement so frequently made that the contributions credited to Sabbath-schools represent only what was sent directly to our treasurer. We are unable to make a full statement of what was given by the Sabbath-schools, but know that it was not less than \$3,332.06.

Great difficulty has been experienced during the year in meeting promptly the quarterly payments to the missionaries. An additional loan of \$6,000 was secured from bank. This has been repaid, but the \$6,000 reported a year ago is still unpaid. Even this additional borrowing did not enable us to pay in full the claims due July 1 until September, while those of the second quarter could not be all paid until well on in December, nearly three months after they became due. Much distress was caused by the delay. If the debt were removed and a reserve fund of adequate amount established, this serious difficulty of long delayed payments could be over-

come. In the actual circumstances, with debt unpaid and an inadequate reserve, the only remedy is the sending in by our people of their contributions during the early months of the year. Fully \$18,000 will be due July 1st from this Board to workers in home mission stations, and we cannot meet this just obligation unless prompt and liberal gifts are received.

VII. FINANCIAL DIRECTIONS OF LAST YEAR. The General Assembly a year ago gave to the Board two directions which, we regret to report, it has been impossible to carry out. One was that, besides certain stocks, *all legacies received*, not otherwise designated, should be set apart for the reserve fund, and only the proceeds of investment used for current outlay; the other was that *five per cent. of the contributions* received be set apart for the purpose of restoring the reserve fund. The object in view, the re-establishment of an adequate reserve fund upon a permanent basis, is of great importance, and the Board would gladly take any practical step to secure that desirable result; but how can legacies, or any other portion of ordinary receipts, be set apart for any special purpose, while those receipts are not sufficient to cover current outlay and pay existing debt? It would be but juggling with figures to place legacies and five per cent. of the entire contributions to the credit of a reserve fund, when that credit must be offset by reporting an increase of debt to precisely the same amount.

But in regard to the other part of the direction given, namely, that the stocks held be set apart as a nucleus for a permanent reserve fund of \$25,000, the Board has taken action as required. These stocks, at their par value, are now reported by the treasurer as part of the reserve fund. They have been and will be very useful as security for any sums the Board may need to borrow. It has been considered advisable to place in the reserve fund also the sums which have recently been received upon agreements to pay annuities, and the entire balance of other funds held for investment, which consist of various legacies received in years past intended by the donors or ordered by the General Assembly to be withheld from current outlay.

VIII. THE COMING YEAR. Reports have been received from all the Presbyteries in America. Applications for aid are entered from 216 stations, in 55 Presbyteries, to the amount of \$84,457. This, of course, does not include any sum that may be granted the Board for emergencies. In estimating the amount to be asked of the Church, the debt of \$10,401, and the greatly needed addition to the reserve fund, must be kept in view. In the judgment of the Board One Dollar per member should be asked for home missions.

The Board will be represented in the General Committee by Dr. J. K. McClurkin, or by his alternate, Rev. J. W. English.

The term of service of Rev. W. J. Reid, D. D., Jno. G. Brown, D. D., and Geo. M. Paden as members of the Board, also that of the corresponding secretary, expires on the 30th of June.

J. K. McClurkin, President,  
Wm. S. Owens, Cor. Secretary,  
J. W. English, Rec. Secretary.

Pittsburgh, May 10, 1897.

NOTE.—Fuller information enables us to state the amount contributed by the Women's Board for work in the care of the Board of Home Missions as follows: Indian work, \$2,947.19; women missionaries in home mission stations, \$2,292; direct contributions to aid in the ordinary work of the Board, \$1,068.50; total, \$6,307.69.

## REPORT OF THE GENERAL COMMITTEE OF HOME MISSIONS.

The thirty-eighth annual meeting of the General Committee of Home Missions was held in the Second church, Monmouth, Ill., May 19 to 25, 1897, with a closing session in Rock Island, May 26.

The delegation was complete, excepting that no representatives appeared from the Presbyteries of North Platte, Princeton and Vermont. Under a provision of the plan of co-operation adopted by the General Assembly last year, the Board of Home Missions of the A. R. Church, South, sent its Secretary, Rev. W. W. Orr, to represent it.

Rev. H. F. Wallace, D. D., of the Presbytery of Oregon, was elected chairman, and Revs. W. W. Logan, of the Presbytery of Los Angeles, J. W. Ashwood, of the Presbytery of Southern Illinois, and J. D. Graham, of the Presbytery of College Springs, were chosen as assistant secretaries.

Fifty-five presbyteries presented applications for aid, amounting to \$85,007, of which \$9,750 was for new work. This, of course, was exclusive of any sum to be placed at the disposal of the Board for emergencies. While the largely increased contributions received during the past year had enabled the Board to reduce its indebtedness, it was found that a debt of \$10,401 still remains, and that the reserve fund requires a large addition to make it an effectual aid in maintaining prompt and regular payments. With these facts in view, indicating that the amount to be asked of the Church for home missions must be very large, and that grants of aid cannot safely be much increased at present, the General Committee undertook its important work, and herewith presents the results for the approval of the General Assembly.

Appropriations are recommended in this report as follows: For special missions in the care of the Board, \$21,150; for other stations heretofore aided, \$47,055; for new work, \$5,050; to meet the probable needs of cases referred to the Board, \$3,802; to the Board for emergencies, \$5,000; total, \$82,057; which is \$2,093 above the grants of last year. In addition to this the debt of \$10,401 must be provided for, and the reserve fund should be increased by at least \$10,000. All these items make an aggregate of \$102,458 to be asked of the Church. This sum is large, yet an average contribution of less than one dollar per member will cover it all, and the General Committee is persuaded that our people can and will give the entire amount, if the claims and needs of this great work are properly placed before them.

The geographical distribution of the appropriations recommended is very interesting. \$38,192 is for the presbyteries east of the Mississippi River, \$38,578 for the West, and \$350 for co-operative work with our Southern brethren. The new work undertaken is also nearly equally divided—\$2,600 in the East, \$2,450 in the West. Of all the Synods, New York receives the largest amount, \$10,620. The Church will note with unusual pleasure the grant for co-operation with the Associate Reformed Synod of the South, at Louisville, Kentucky. Sooner than any direct efforts could accomplish the result, such practical union in the Lord's work will remove the difficulties in the way of that formal union for which we pray and wait. It is expected that within a short time arrangements will be completed for co-operation at other important points in the South.

### I. AID GRANTED.

The following characters are used to express conditions upon which appropriations are made: p. s., continuance of existing pastoral settlement; s., settlement to be effected. In all other cases the condition is stated supply, unless something different is expressly indicated. A fraction after the appropriation shows the amount of time to be taken, as  $\frac{1}{2}$  or 2-3. When

no figures are used, the grant is for full time. When a \* is affixed, as \$120\*, the station has received what the sliding scale rules permit, and is referred to the Board for consideration of its claims to exemption and an increase.

- Albany*..... Albany, \$200, p. s.  
*Allegheny*..... Allegheny, West End, \$600, s. s.; Aspinwall, \$400, p. s.  
*Argyle*..... Greenwich, \$280, p. s.  
*Arkansas Valley*... Arkansas City, \$280, p. s.; Du Quoin, \$224, s. s. ½; Jetmore, \$120, s. s., ½; La Crosse, \$140, s. s., ½; Newton, \$600, p. s.; Pretty Prairie, \$150, s. s., ½; Stafford, \$310, p. s.; Sunny Dale, \$240, p. s.; Wichita, \$130, p. s.  
*Beaver Valley*.... Ellwood City, \$250, p. s.  
*Boston*..... Central Falls, \$600, p. s.; Clinton, \$250, p. s.; Lowell, \$200, s.; Providence, Second, \$500, p. s.; Quincy, \$300, p. s.; Worcester, \$500, p. s.  
*Brookville*..... Redclyffe, \$150, p. s., 3-4.  
*Butler*..... Kittanning, \$270, p. s.  
*Caledonia*..... Buffalo, Second, \$390, s. s.  
*Cedar Rapids*.... Clarion, \$375, p. s.  
*Chartiers*..... Washington, Third, \$350, p. s.  
*Chicago*..... Aurora, \$850, p. s.; Chicago, Third, \$900, p. s.; Chicago, Fifth, \$700, p. s.; Chicago, Sixth, \$850, p. s.; Chicago, Seventh, \$500, s. s.  
*Chillicothe*..... Peebles, \$400, s. s.  
*Cleveland*..... Cleveland, Second, \$350, s.; Stowe, \$150, p. s.; Youngstown, Second, \$200, p. s.  
*College Springs*... Adams, referred to Board with \$152, parsonage must be secured; Atlantic, \$140, p. s.; Blanchard, \$120, p. s.; Clearfield, \$100, s., for one year only; Creston, \$360, s., raise \$650; Greenfield, \$210, p. s.; Page Center, \$125, p. s., ½; Pleasant Lawn, \$120, s., \$100, s. s., ½; Redding, \$200, p. s.; Shannon City, \$40, p. s.; York, \$80, p. s.  
*Colorado*..... Denver, Boulevard, \$1,000, s. s.; Lamar, \$550, s. s.; Pueblo, \$850, s. s.  
*Concordia*..... Clay Center, \$350, p. s., ½; Concordia, \$80, s. s., ¼; Fairview, \$80, s. s., ¼; Four Mile, \$100, p. s., ½; Hopewell, \$80, s. s., ¼; Idana, \$96, s. 2-3; Jamestown, \$100, s. s., ¼; Evangelistic work, \$200 at discretion of Board.  
*Conemaugh*..... Altoona, \$775, s. s.; Saltsburg, \$208, p. s.  
*Delaware*..... Mundale, \$50, s. s.; Oneonta, \$650, s. s.; Shavertown, \$100, supply, ½.  
*Des Moines*..... Albia, \$150, p. s.; Chariton, \$200, p. s.; Dexter, \$80, p. s.; Newton, \$200, p. s.; Winterset, \$160, p. s.  
*Detroit*..... Commerce, referred to Board with \$250 at discretion, secure property; Crosswell, \$292, s. s., raise \$292; Detroit, \$800, p. s.; Erskine, \$192, s. s.; Fair Grove, \$350, s.; Harper, \$200, 6 months' supply; Port Huron, \$400, p. s.; Stevensburg and cons., \$280, p. s.  
*Garnett*..... Blue Mound, \$100, p. s.; Emporia, referred to Board with \$700; Lyndon, \$250, p. s.  
*Illinois Central*... Carlock, \$150, p. s.  
*Illinois Southern* De Witt, \$400, s. s.; Osborne, \$200, s. s., ½; St. Louis, Wagoner Place, \$900, s. s.; Springfield, \$200, s. s.  
*Indiana*..... Indianapolis, First, \$410, s. s.; Indianapolis, Woodruff Ave., \$580, s. s.; Madison, referred to Board with \$500; Rushville, \$80, p. s.; Shiloh, \$200, s.

- Indiana Northern.* Alexandria, referred to Board with \$700; Muncie, \$750, s. s.
- Iowa Northwestern* Boyden, \$300, s. s.; raise \$350; Quimby, \$400, s. s.; Sioux City, \$1,050, at discretion of Board under special conditions.
- Kansas City*..... Kansas City, First, \$700, s. s.; Kansas City, Second, \$800, p. s.; Kansas City, Kans., \$280, p. s.; Topeka, Second, \$500, s. s.
- Keokuk*..... Birmingham, \$160, p. s.; Brighton, \$160, s. s.; Burlington, \$400, s. s., change location; Harrison, \$220, s. s., build parsonage; West Chester, \$90, p. s., ½; Winfield, \$80, p. s.
- Lake*..... Linesville, \$600, p. s.
- Le Claire*..... De Witt, \$250, p. s.; Wyoming, \$96, p. s.
- Los Angeles*..... Los Angeles, First, \$400, p. s.; Pasadena, \$950, s. s.; San Diego, \$640, p. s.; Wildomar, \$500, p. s.
- Mansfield*..... Canton, \$1,000, s. s.; Dalton, referred to Board with \$200, secure property; Millersburg, \$200, p. s.; Tiro, \$30, s. s., ½, referred to Board in case of settlement, secure parsonage property.
- Mercer*..... Sharon, \$200, s. s., referred to Board in case of settlement.
- Monmouth*..... Golden, \$100, s., ½.
- Monongahela*..... Allentown, \$100, p. s.; Coraopolis, \$280, p. s.; Gladden, \$200, p. s.; Homestead, \$250, p. s.; Pittsburgh, Eleventh, \$200, s.; Pittsburgh, Thirty-third st., \$270, p. s.
- Muskingum*..... Caledonia, \$300, p. s.; Zanesville, \$500, s.
- New York*..... Brooklyn, Westminster, \$700, p. s.; Clarenceville, \$750, s. s., raise \$150; New York, Washington Heights, \$400, p. s.; Paterson, \$150, p. s.; West Hoboken, \$900, s. s.
- North Platte*..... Alliance, \$650, p. s.; Rushville, \$600, p. s.
- Ohio, 1st*..... Middletown, \$800, p. s.; Sycamore and Hopkinsville, \$200, s.
- Omaha*..... Dunbar, \$66, p. s.; Ewing, \$240, p. s.; Kearney, \$750, s. s.; Majors, \$300, s. s.; Murray, \$200, s. s., raise \$485; Omaha, Park Ave., \$500, p. s.; Omaha, South, \$750, s. s.; Orchard, \$60, s. s., 2-3.
- Oregon*..... Portland, Grand Ave., \$1,050, p. s.; Shedd's, \$300, p. s.
- Pawnee*..... Benkleman, \$200, p. s., ½; Bostwick, \$175, s. s., ½; Jewell, \$175, s. s., ½; Liberty, \$224, p. s.; Lincoln, \$1,000, s. s.; Parks, \$150, p. s., ½; Pawnee, Second, \$300, p. s.; Wilsonville, \$300, s. s.
- Philadelphia*..... Baltimore, North Ave., \$900, s. s.; Philadelphia, Wharton Square, \$900, s. s.; Philadelphia, Fairhill, \$900, s. s., raise \$125; Philadelphia, Dales Memorial, \$1,000, s. s.
- Pittsburg*..... Chetopa, \$150, p. s.; Pittsburg, \$650, s. s.; Sheldon, \$225, s. s., ½; Siloam Springs, \$250, s. s., two quarters; Springfield, \$700, s. s.; Sylvania, \$225, s. s., ½.
- Puget Sound* .... Olympia, \$975, s. s., raise \$225; Seattle, \$900, s. s.; Tacoma, \$850, p. s.; Oak Harbor, referred to Board with \$450.
- Rock Island* .... Davenport, \$450, p. s.; Rock Island, \$200, p. s.
- San Francisco* ... Agenda, \$500, s. s.; Alameda, \$570, s. s.; Castroville, \$300, s. s., 2-3; Fowler, \$400, s. s.; Morgan Hill, \$500, s. s.; Oakland, \$900, s. s.; San Jose, \$600, p. s.; San Miguel, \$125, s. s., 1-3.
- Sidney* .... Pindlay, \$650, s. s.; Roundhead, \$400, s. s.; Sidney, \$125, p. s.; Toledo, \$1,100, s. s.

- Spokane* . . . . . Colfax, \$800, s. s.; Oakesdale, \$800, s. s.; Pullman, referred to Board with \$1,000; Spokane, \$800, s. s.; Waitsburg, \$400, s. s.
- Steubenville* . . . . . Carrollton, \$135, p. s.; Toronto, \$240, p. s.
- Tennessee* . . . . . Big Spring, \$90, s. s., secure property.
- Westmoreland* . . . . . Connellsville, \$210, s. s.; Jeannette, \$300, s.; Latrobe, \$200, p. s.; Leechburg, \$150, p. s.; Reynoldton, \$200, p. s.; Scottdale, referred to Board with \$300.
- Wheeling* . . . . . Bellaire, \$250, p. s.; Buchanan Hill, \$72, p. s.
- Xenia* . . . . . Columbus, First, \$500, p. s.; Columbus, Neil Ave., \$680, p. s.; Greenfield, \$90, p. s., 3-4.
- A. R. Synod of the South, Louisville, Ky., \$350, placed at the disposal of the Board.
- To the Board for emergencies, \$5,000.
- For reserve fund, \$10,000.
- For debt, \$10,401.

#### 11. SPECIAL AND NEW WORK.

1. Eight stations that have been for some time under the care of the Board, but whose terms as special missions now expire, have been brought back to the committee for examination and action. With reference to these we recommend as follows: Altoona, a grant of \$775 and reappointment of Rev. R. A. Hutchison as stated supply; Kearney a grant of \$750; South Omaha, a grant of \$750 and reappointment of Rev. H. P. Espy; Grand Avenue, Portland, a grant of \$1,050; Seattle, a grant of \$900 and reappointment of Rev. W. M. Howie; Waitsburg, a grant of \$400 and reappointment of Rev. J. A. Keener. These six stations are to be continued as special missions for three years. Columbus, O., Neil Ave., a grant of \$680, but it is not necessary to renew the term as a special mission; Sioux City, under present conditions it is not expedient to make any grant, but if the presbytery, at a later time, shall so request, the Board is empowered to take charge of the station as a special mission for five years, and \$1,050 is placed at its disposal for use if found advisable.

2. For three stations the presbyteries asked that they be made special missions, with certain grants and conditions. It is not necessary in any of these cases that the special mission relation be established, but we recommend as follows: Emporia, a grant of \$700; Second Topeka, a grant of \$500, on condition that the presbytery and the Board of Home Missions locate the proposed church building; Burlington, a grant of \$400, on condition that the church location be changed, with advice and consent of the Boards of Home Missions and Church Extension.

3. Grants are recommended to the amounts and under the conditions stated in the general table for the following new stations: Allegheny Presbytery, Allegheny, West End chapel; Detroit, Harper; Indiana, Shiloh, an old congregation never before aided; Monmouth, Golden; Philadelphia, Dales Memorial Mission; Puget Sound, Oak Harbor; San Francisco, Agenda, Morgan Hill; Spokane, Pullman. For the Liberty Mission, Topeka, Kansas, no grant is made, but the work is commended to the continued care of the First church, Topeka. For Salem, in Oregon Presbytery, and for Whatcom and Everett, in the Puget Sound Presbytery, no grants can be made at present, but these places are specially commended to the attention of the Board, with a view to the opening of work when circumstances are found to be favorable. Moline, Illinois, has many good features as a mission field, but it is not regarded as wise to grant the amount asked for the work at this time; it is, therefore, commended to the Board for such further investigation as may be expedient.

4. The Presbytery of Concordia asked a grant of \$200 for special work in its bounds. That amount has been placed at the disposal of the Board for use at its discretion.

## III. GENERAL.

I. During the past year the favor of God has richly crowned the work of Home Missions in our Church. The lives and health of our home missionaries have been kindly preserved; great fields of usefulness have been opened up before us as a Church; the presence and power of God's Spirit has been attested by the growth in membership and spiritual life in our missions and mission churches; and the funds have been forthcoming for the prosecution of the work. While we have experienced some difficulty and anxiety in raising the funds in these trying times, yet the fact that the work has been so successfully carried on, and the Board is so nearly free from debt, is a marvel. The only wonder is that in view of the great embarrassments that surround all lines of business, the debt has not been much greater. "This is the Lord's doing, and wondrous in our eyes." Therefore, resolved, that we give thanks to God for his continued goodness to our home mission work in sustaining and blessing the work during the past year.

II. Our deliberations during the past week have reviewed the work under the care of the Home Mission Board of our Church. As we are thus led to consider the greatness and efficiency of the work, we cherish a growing confidence in the wisdom and care with which the affairs entrusted to this Board are administered. Differences of opinion on these matters may sometimes come up, and questions may sometimes be started in our minds, but we feel that we have a home mission work which would be an honor to any Church, and through which our beloved Church is pressing on to possess the land for Christ. Therefore, resolved, that we express our renewed confidence in the wisdom and efficiency with which the work of the Home Mission Board is conducted; and we desire to express this confidence to the General Assembly, and through it to the whole Church.

III. That while the expenditure of the home mission funds for the coming year has been arranged by our deliberations and conclusions, we recognize that it will require great watchfulness and activity on the part of the Church to gather the necessary funds. As this matter pertains to the funds of both the closely connected Boards of Home Missions and Church Extension, and requires the active and continued efforts of pastors and sessions, the members of this Committee may greatly aid this work, as each one becomes an active agent to keep the matter before his presbytery, and labors through the presbytery to secure from every congregation therein its due proportion of the money needed for the support of the great home mission work of the Church. Therefore, resolved, that we as a Committee agree together and pledge ourselves individually to make all possible effort to secure from our respective presbyteries the full proportion needed to carry on the work of the Church.

IV. Inasmuch as the term of office of the Corresponding Secretary of the Board of Home Missions, Rev. W. S. Owens, D. D., who for twelve years has so faithfully served the Church in this important and burdensome office, expires this year; Therefore, resolved, that we as a Committee from the different presbyteries of the Church do hereby express our confidence in his careful and wise administration of the work, and we recommend to the General Assembly that he be re-elected to this office.

V. Inasmuch as some of the rules for granting exemption from the 15-year limit and for exemption from the sliding scale, work much inconvenience and, it is feared, hardship and injury to the work, we respectfully offer the following recommendations for the consideration of the General Assembly:

1. That instead of the 15-year rule as it now stands, the following be substituted: Congregations that have been organized 15 years or more



shall not receive aid unless extraordinary circumstances are clearly shown. Applications made for such congregations must be submitted by presbyteries to the Board of Home Missions with a special statement of the facts not later than April 20, and grants made by the General Committee shall be subject to all the restrictions that apply to cases affected by the sliding scale.

2. We recommend that the rule requiring a two-thirds vote of all the members in attendance in order to the exemption of any case from the reductions of the sliding scale, be amended to read as follows: When the Board has refused to recommend an application for exemption from the rules of the sliding scale, the case may be opened in the General Committee only by a majority vote of all the members in attendance.

VI. That owing to a widespread dissatisfaction throughout the Church with the present method of distributing supplies, in consequence of which many able and suitable men cannot secure employment and unsettled congregations are suffering loss because unable to secure suitable supplies, we therefore recommend that the General Assembly give special attention to any memorials that may come before it touching this subject, in order that a more satisfactory method may be devised and carried into effect.

H. F. Wallace, Chairman.

Wm. S. Owens, Cor. Sec.

W. W. Logan,

J. W. Ashwood,

J. D. Graham, Ass't Secretaries.

## REPORT OF THE BOARD OF FREEDMEN'S MISSIONS.

The year has been one of special perplexity and concern, and yet we have much reason to thank God for his manifold mercies. The members of the Board have been preserved alive, and have taken a commendable interest in the great work committed to their management, attending meetings with much regularity, and spending much time in planning for the furtherance of the cause. The missionaries in the field have been spared in life—yet there has been an unusual amount of sickness, some teachers being laid aside for several weeks, and two of the most faithful and efficient found it necessary to withdraw from the work on account of severe and protracted illness. We are glad to say both are improving. They will not, however, be able to return to the work next year.

Another disastrous fire occurred at Knoxville, Tennessee, when, on Dec. 15th, 1896, "Elnathan Hall," the large dormitory for girls, and general boarding hall, was totally destroyed. The fire occurred in the forenoon, when nearly all were at the college, and was clearly accidental. The building and contents were partially insured; and the amount of the policies covering the same was promptly paid, upon proof of loss being made, through the James W. Arrott General Insurance Agency, of Pittsburgh, Pa. The amount paid was \$10,890. Thanks are due to Mr. James W. Arrott and his assistants for their promptness and fairness in settling the claim. This disaster very seriously crippled the work, and blighted the hopes we all entertained of the results of what promised to be the best year in the history of that Mission.

No new missions were established last year, and we are glad to report that none were abandoned which were open at the beginning of the year. The following will present the field and the work in a general view:

Eleven schools, with an enrollment of 3,445; twelve Sabbath-schools, with an attendance of 3,379; six congregations, with a total membership of 582. The accessions to the churches were 101, or an average of 17 to each congregation. Three of these congregations have colored pastors.

and seven of the stations have colored principals in the schools, and all their assistants are colored. In three of the remaining stations, from one to three colored teachers are employed. All these colored ministers and teachers are graduates of our own mission colleges. The whole number of missionaries is shown and classified as follows: Ordained ministers, nine, three of whom are colored; one licentiate (colored); sixteen other male workers, seven of whom are colored. Fifty-six female missionaries; of these, twenty-two are colored; making a total of eighty-two—thirty-three of whom are colored. Not less than 20,000 children in the different Southern States are taught from two to seven months each year, both in day schools and Sabbath-schools, by young men and women who have been trained in the missions under our care.

The detailed statement of the work in each mission is compiled from the annual reports of the principals to the Board:

### KNOXVILLE, TENNESSEE.

#### COLLEGE.

The enrollment, 318; average attendance, 255; four being in the Theological, and five in the Medical Department.

The laborers at Knoxville are: J. S. McCulloch, Eliza B. Wallace, Agnes H. Wait, Maggie McDill, Jennie McCahon, J. R. Millin, R. J. Love, Hattie A. Kerr, E. Belle Kerr, Matilda Wishart, Agnes Wishart, Ida M. French, Anna Rutherford, Mary J. Fisher, Mary A. Wallace, Alice McMillan, Emma Pinkerton, W. G. Purdy, C. J. Marshall, Maud R. Brooks, L. M. Wright, Robt. M. Ginter.

Miss Lizzie McCahon assisted in the religious work, and Capt. George LeRoy Brown, of the Army, was detailed to give military instruction.

#### CONGREGATIONAL STATISTICS.

Members, 138; increase by profession, 8; increase by certificate, 8; decrease, 25; adult baptisms, 6; contributions to the Boards, \$461; general contributions, \$158; congregational expenses, \$159. Total contributions, \$778. Average per member, \$5.64. Enrollment of Sabbath-school, including one mission school, 400; contributions, \$150.

#### RELIGIOUS WORK.

Prominence is given to religious work. A Christian education is aimed at. Every one connected with the College attends the preaching of the Gospel and other stated weekly services. Prayer-meetings are held regularly on Wednesday evening, all meeting together, or in four sections. The Sabbath-school is held in the afternoon in the College building. The facilities for satisfactory work are excellent, the class-rooms affording accommodation for each class separately. Promotions are made regularly from one class to another, and in certain classes the catechisms receive a large share of attention. Neighboring Sabbath-schools are supplied with teachers in the morning, and the

#### ASYLUM STREET MISSION

Is conducted by students and others who attend Sabbath-school in the College in the afternoon. This mission school has an enrollment of 78, and an average attendance of 51.

#### THE YOUNG PEOPLE'S CHRISTIAN UNION

Has 92 members, with the customary committees and reports. The Junior Union meets on Sabbath evening also. It reports 57 members. Miss Jennie McCahon goes from house to house as Bible reader, and endeavors

to interest families in the proper religious training of their children. She finds out cases of destitution, and gives such relief as may be at her command. She had been assisted by her sister, Miss Lizzie, who organized a Ladies' Missionary Society, and took part in prayer-meetings, as well as in going among the people. Meetings are held for old people and for children at times convenient for them. Religious instruction is imparted, and sewing is taught.

Special evangelistic services were held in March under the direction of Rev. L. E. Hawk and Prof. A. C. McClelland. The school work was not interrupted seriously, but many were led to accept Christ, and believers were quickened in their activities by the presence of the Spirit.

#### THEOLOGICAL DEPARTMENT

Has four students in the regular course. They have all completed the second year. Three other young men recited in the Bible in English. Two ladies attended this class when other duties did not interfere. The work done by the students has been satisfactory, and their specimens of progress have been heartily approved by Presbytery. They have good opportunities for exercising their gifts in Sabbath-schools and in the various organizations of neighboring churches. The applicants for admission to the first year's course were not well prepared, and after consultation, decided to pursue their literary studies further before attempting to enter the regular class. No one, however, who is employed in preaching is excluded from the class in English Bible, and Sabbath-school workers are encouraged to enter this class. One professor, Rev. J. R. Millin, has been able thus far to meet the demands of the Theological department, but it is expected that he will require assistance in the near future.

#### MEDICAL DEPARTMENT.

Five regular students, two of the first year, and three of the second, have attended the lectures this year, and they have expressed their hearty satisfaction with the facilities furnished and the instruction given. Five professors, two of them colored, have given regular lectures, and a sixth is secured for the coming year. The prospect is good for increased attendance, and the aim is to provide physicians of high moral and religious character for the people. The great need is apparent, and the success of a few regular graduates gives encouragement for others to spend time and money in thorough preparation. The course covers four years. (This department is carried on without expense to the Board other than providing two rooms in the College for lectures.)

#### INDUSTRIAL DEPARTMENT.

This embraces farming, dairying, carpenter and cabinet work, running of the engine and dynamos, printing and press-work, plain sewing and cutting and dress-making, and all kinds of housework. The work done is almost entirely of practical, every-day utility. The student is taught to do each kind of work by doing it. This course is pursued with all kinds of work, though it is accompanied by oral instruction and skillful example. It is almost impossible for a young man or woman not to respect honest toil after being trained in this way for a few years. Even those who at first chafe under the system come to see, by and by, that it is the better way. No one is excused from doing a share of the work necessary, and the work is so distributed that the time thus occupied is not seriously missed. Hired help is rendered unnecessary, and the expense of good, substantial boarding is reduced to the lowest point.

An addition to the Industrial department has been granted by the University of Tennessee. Part of this grant (\$600) is for increased equipment of the shops, and part for superintendence of students' work. The amount received this year from the University will be about \$2,800.

About sixty students receive aid to a greater or less extent through these funds that come from the University. The amounts vary from one dollar to fifty, according to the time spent at work. Ordinarily, eight or ten hours a week is as much time as a student can spare from his study and recreations. The pay varies from 5 to 10 cents per hour, averaging about eight cents. Many students who are short of funds would spend more time in manual labor in order to earn more money to meet expenses, but no pay is given to anyone who does not maintain good standing in the classroom. This rule makes it impossible for a student to live off the department to the neglect of study. Aid to students may be rendered in such a way as to do harm, but the least objectionable way is to offer reasonable wages for honest work. It is neither charitable nor kind to offer good pay for slighted work—time idled away. Little boys and girls, of course, must receive aid as children, not as adult wage-earners. To render such aid the Students' Fund is established. In addition to \$428.12 received from the State Normal scholarships, and \$600 from the State University, the Women's General Missionary Society granted \$520.70, while \$333.55 were received from other sources, making a total of \$1,882.37. Those having State Normal scholarships receive fifty dollars each. About seventy others received aid, the average amount to each being about twenty dollars. Without this aid many could not continue in school all year, and even with it, some are obliged to teach, and come in a month or two late, or drop out before the close of the term. Some of the children aided have not turned out well, and some adults have failed to meet expectations, but such cases are promptly dropped when they are discovered, and the benefit is transferred to others equally needy and more worthy.

The number of graduates and former students who have been teaching within the last year it is impossible to find out definitely. It is probably not less than 180. So far as we know, they are almost without exception teaching in the Sabbath-school also.

#### BOARDING DEPARTMENT.

The enrollment in Elnathan Hall is 62; in McCulloch Hall, 70; Little Boys' Home, 19; Little Girls' Home, 29. Total boarders, 180.

Receipts.		Expenditures.	
Balance from last year. . . . .	\$ 814 14	For Provisions. . . . .	\$5,191 14
Empty Sacks and Barrels sold. . . . .	9 48	" Furnishing. . . . .	855 65
Milk and Butter and cows sold. . . . .	456 05	" Improvements and Re- pairs. . . . .	360 57
Eggs, Chickens, etc. . . . .	37 00	" Cleaning, etc., in Va- cation. . . . .	502 80
For Janitor work. . . . .	25 00	" Fuel, Light and Water	1,320 69
From Boarders . . . . .	9,023 56	" Work done by Stu- dents. . . . .	435 00
Total Receipts. . . . .	\$10,365 23	" Feed for cows and chickens. . . . .	279 31
Total Expenditures . . . . .	9,051 41	" Sundries, Stationery, etc. . . . .	106 25
Balance on hand. . . . .	\$ 1,313 82	Total Expenditures. . . . .	\$9,051 41

This balance must pay expenses of six remaining weeks of term and vacation.

#### ATHENS, TENNESSEE.

The advancement in the religious work at this station appears to be greater than in any preceding year. Attendance at both Sabbath-school and at church has largely increased. The day school does not show

so large an enrollment as last year, but the work done in the school is regarded more satisfactory than any previous year. The moral and religious standing of the church is freely commented upon by influential citizens as being of a high order. Indeed, it is no unusual thing to see a considerable number of white people, including students, male and female, from Grant Memorial University, present to hear the word preached by the pastor, and the Psalms sung by the people. About 80 boys and girls have taken sewing this year. Is it not reasonable to expect that the church here will grow in ability and liberality so as soon to become self-supporting and contribute freely to the Boards of the Church?

The workers at Athens are: Rev. J. L. Cook, J. W. O. Garrett, Mary V. Byars, Maggie Buchanan, J. A. Cleage and Zella C. Lawrence.

#### MILLER'S FERRY, ALABAMA.

It is gratifying to report a successful year in this mission, after the suspension of the day school for a whole year. The health of Mr. Johnson, so seriously threatened in the summer and fall, seems now to have recovered. The workers who are associated with him are: Mrs. Tillie E. Johnson, H. M. Green, Lillie E. Jarnagan, Sophie Cox and Sadie Ellison.

The following extracts from Mr. Johnson's report give some idea of the present condition of the work:

"With the burning of the building, May 4th, 1895, we lost everything in it, including charts, maps, records, and even the children's books stored away in the school-house for safe-keeping during vacation. But this loss was small compared with the loss of discipline through the demoralizing agencies that were at work among the people during the time school was suspended." "School opened August 4 with about one hundred and fifty scholars, which was an unusually large number for that season of the year, and scarcely a dozen of these had books. But, happily, we had plenty of blackboard, and by the use of charts, maps, and booklets which the teachers made, the scholars were kept profitably employed till some of the crop was gathered. Then the parents were required to purchase the text-books we adopted, and thus, for the first time in the history of the school, we were able to secure uniformity in text-books. It is a matter worthy of note that we have had less trouble this year than ever before in securing books for the children. We assign four reasons for this: 1. Because of the growing intelligence of the people. 2. Because of the better price of cotton this year. 3. Because of the scholars' greater interest in their studies. 4. Because of the monthly examinations.

The new building is an improvement on the one that was burned, being larger and more convenient. It stands as a monument to the Miller's Ferry people's appreciation of mission work among them. . . . A new feature in our work was the organization of a boys' industrial class. It consists of all the boys over twelve years of age. They are required to work forty minutes each day out of doors. The reasons for organizing this class were: 1. The necessity for work around the building, and of gathering wood for the school; 2. The importance of the boys having some systematic industrial training; 3. The demand for house room for students who wished to bring their provisions from home, and board themselves. The boys' work can be turned to practical account in building houses for this purpose. Though beginning late in the year, they nearly finished one house that will accommodate sixteen students. The fire seems to have advertised this school. One man came twenty-five miles last fall to bring his two daughters, and said, "If I had known there was such a school in the county, I would have had my daughters here long ago." . . . We have had thirty-five boarding students this year, and, with our present teaching force and school-room, could easily accommodate double this number, as no new classes would be necessary. . . . The closing exercises this year

attracted a large number of people from different parts of the county. These all expressed themselves as being delighted with what they saw and heard."

Notwithstanding the strong opposition, our church at this point has had an accession of 27 members within the year, and now numbers 71, three-fourths of whom have been trained in our Sabbath-school.

The Sabbath-school now enrolls 214, and it meets at 9.30 A. M. Preaching is at 11, Band of Hope, or Junior Society, at 2.30, and Y. P. C. E. at 7 P. M. All these societies seem to be in active and vigorous condition, and in addition, the mothers' meeting is kept up with interest sometimes amounting to enthusiasm. With \$600 expended, the Board has a house valued at \$2,000.

#### PRAIRIE, ALABAMA.

The workers here are: H. J. Oliver, Minnie L. Jenkins, Lucy R. Cosby, Emeline Fields and Christianita Totten. The enrollment is very large in the day school, 247; but the average attendance is less than one hundred. The reasons assigned are sickness and demand for field labor at certain seasons. There are six grades, but the primary grades far outnumber the others, and the attendance of the pupils is very irregular. The attendance improves rapidly as the grades advance. The enrollment in the Sabbath-school is 254, and the average attendance, 118.

A special Bible class meets each Sabbath, except on preaching day, in the A. M. E. Zion church. It is composed of local preachers, officers, fathers and mothers. The average attendance is 32. Two of this class failed to get appointments for the Conference, and are sent back to make further preparation to meet the requirements.

No church organization has been attempted, but a Young People's Society of forty-one members is organized, and they meet twice a month, and hear monthly reports from the various committees. A Junior Union is also conducted by the primary teachers every Sabbath after Sabbath-school. Sixty-three are enrolled. The members are trained in committee work, and it is cheering to hear "of one who has cut wood for an elderly lady; another has brought water; some have carried flowers to the sick, and others have read the Bible to persons who could not read." When we add the Gillespie Literary Society of 34 active members, we are led to remark that there appears to be no lack of organization, and there ought to be a good nucleus soon for a church.

#### CAMDEN, ALABAMA.

This county seat is occupied by Rev. E. K. Smith, who is assisted by his wife and Mrs. Alice White. The school entered upon its second year in September. The enrollment is 240, and the average attendance, 105. "Much of the winter was cold and wet. Most of the children are thinly clad. The churches in which school is taught are open and cold, and the heating arrangements are very poor. Some did not come because they could not buy clothes and books. The measles have raged fearfully. At one time seventy-five were out of school with them." "The outlook for the school is bright. There are within walking distance 300 or 325 children of school age." What religious work has been done, has been done in other churches. Mrs. White and Miss Smith teach in the Methodist Sabbath-school, and Mr. and Mrs. Smith in the Baptist. Mr. Smith has preached many times in these churches. He frankly tells the people that he is there to build up a United Presbyterian church, and that they may expect an organization to be effected soon after the school building, now going up, shall be completed. The Women's General Missionary Society has undertaken the work of buying ground and building a school-house and dwelling, and it is hoped that the coming year will be a great advance in the amount of good accomplished.

## CANTON BEND, ALABAMA.

This station lies between Camden and Miller's Ferry, about five miles from each. Mr. J. N. Cotton occupies the field. His wife gave valuable assistance in the Sabbath-school, and also in the day school when the attendance became large. This service was freely given without pecuniary compensation. The enrollment is 123, and the average attendance is 48. Sabbath-school enrollment, 150; average attendance, 65. Mr. Cotton says, "Our close, April 7, was a successful one. We arranged a platform in the yard, before the door, and lighted the grounds with pine, making it light and beautiful. We were blessed with a beautiful night. We had a large audience, good order and good attention. I am sure the close had a good effect. . . . The people are taking hold of the work with a steady interest. The Sabbath-school has been increasing all the year." A plain building will probably be erected by the people, with some assistance from the Board.

## SUMMERFIELD, ALABAMA.

Mr. P. C. Cloud, Miss Ludie V. Netherland and Miss Mary Sherman are at work here. Mrs. Cloud came to their help when the rooms became too much crowded. The enrollment is 222, and the average attendance for the year 99. The average in Sabbath-school was 115 in April.

Mr. Cloud says, "The work is carried on in a dwelling, the teachers occupying half the building. The rooms are too small for school work. Every available means of securing more room and help was tried. An old out-house was temporarily repaired for use when the weather was not too cold. Mrs. Cloud and four of the advanced scholars assisted us while the school was crowded. The present outlook for the mission is encouraging. It is located in a district of more than 300 children. The industrial department attracted much attention on our exhibition day. Ninety-eight girls were enrolled, and 94 garments were made. Missionary societies and friends nobly helped in furnishing material for this department and clothing for the needy scholars, and literature for the Sabbath-school." Complaint is made that there is no one room in which all can assemble on Sabbath. In addition to the Sabbath-school in the morning, Mr. Cloud has a class of ministers and Miss Sherman a class of old ladies in the afternoon. Closing exercises were held in the beautiful grove, and many encouraging words were spoken by the people. A school building is needed for the coming year.

## CHASE CITY.

## STATISTICS.

Sabbath-school and congregational enrollment, 370; average attendance for whole year, 176; average attendance for school year, 190; highest average for one month, 240. Day school enrollment, 278; average monthly enrollment, 203; average attendance for year, 152; highest average for one month, 208. Congregation—Members, 144; accessions, 16; deaths, 5; dismissals, 1; contributions, \$59.34.

## RELIGIOUS INSTRUCTION.

The Bible has been daily and systematically studied in all the classrooms during the year. Regular services have been held in the chapel each Sabbath afternoon—with two or three exceptions, a weekly prayer-meeting has been held in the chapel each Wednesday evening. All these services have been well attended, and a deep interest manifested.

During a part of the year, a series of lectures on Christian doctrine has been given in the chapel on Sabbath evening. These evening talks are substantially the same as the course of lectures prepared for a class of young men in the Normal Department who expect to enter the ministry. This course is intended to cover the important doctrines of Christianity

as understood by our Church. It was thought that, in a somewhat modified form, these lectures or talks might be instructive and helpful to the members of the congregation. The attendance and close attention, on the part of the congregation, surpassed our expectation.

Three weeks of special meetings were held during the year, as a result of which, 15 were added to our roll. The Young People's societies, Junior and Senior, have each held regular weekly prayer-meetings, using the topics prepared by the Committee and published in the Christian Union Herald. A class of 9 young men have met regularly with the principal on Saturday afternoon for the study of Christian doctrine. The entire course of lectures, 50 in number, has been studied. The subjects discussed this year were, The Perseverance of the Saints; Death; The State of the Soul After Death; The Resurrection; The Second Advent; The General Judgment; Heaven; Hell. Only three members of this year's class have taken the entire course. The others, however, will begin at the first of the course next year.

#### GIRLS' INDUSTRIAL HOME.

Twelve girls have been in the Home the most of the year, and ten boys in the Cottage. This is the largest number of boarders we have yet had. These were all excellent students, and all made marked progress. The Home has been kept self-sustaining, with a balance in the treasury of \$173.92, with nearly \$100 still due. This will be considerably reduced by the April and May expenses, but there will still be a good balance at the end of the year.

#### SEWING DEPARTMENT.

The department has been kept open all year, with the exception of one month; when, on account of the sickness of one of the teachers, it was thought best to transfer Miss Lorimer to the Intermediate Department. Three hundred and forty-five garments were made, 1,169 yards of material used. The enrollment for the year is 100. \$40.00 were donated by the Women's Board; \$28.50 were received from sale of garments made. This, with \$21.83 in the Treasury at the opening of the year, makes our total receipts \$90.33. We paid out for new material \$69.53, leaving a balance in the Treasury of \$20.83.

#### BLUESTONE, VIRGINIA.

##### CHURCH MEMBERSHIP.

Increase by baptism, 8; by letter, 10; by restoration, 4; total increase, 22. Decrease by death, 1. Total membership, 80. Special meetings were held in September and March. While the meetings in September resulted in no additions to the church, there was great awakening among the members. All during the winter each member, in his own quiet way, kept steadily doing some Christian work. In the March meetings the Lord visited us with a special outpouring of his Holy Spirit, and twenty-two were added to the church. As is usually the case, the success of the church stirred up the opposition of the enemies. But, before the energetic efforts of the faithful members, working in the strength of the Lord Jesus, opposition passes away as chaff before the wind.

Preaching every Sabbath at 2 o'clock P. M. Prayer-meeting every Tuesday and alternate Sabbath nights. The people take great interest in the prayer-meetings, and as many as have a chance take active part every night.

##### SABBATH SCHOOL.

Enrollment, 225. The usual method of conducting the Sabbath-school has been followed. The attendance has been unusually good. O. Y. P. C. U. meets every Friday afternoon. We reach a larger number of the



young people, and subject them to less evil influences by holding the meeting in daylight. The society is aggressive in its work, and is exerting an influence for good among the young people. It is the great channel which leads into the church. Membership, 85.

The Junior Society numbers 96. Meetings are held every Friday afternoon. The Juniors take great delight in singing the Psalms and studying the subjects after they have been simplified and adapted to their capacity.

Total collections for the year, \$40, all of which has been expended in improvements on the field. The people in this section lost all their crop last year by the overflow of the rivers, and the destruction of crops by insects. Our collections have been very small, because the people have not had anything to give.

Day school enrollment, 220. The rooms have been well filled, and the pupils have attended very regularly. The new school building has enabled us to do more efficient work. The facilities are all that can be desired at present. Industrial department enrolled 110. The girls of the school are divided into four classes. Each class is taught plain sewing one and a half hours each day. It is surprising to see how cheerfully they do their work, and how rapidly they improve. This department has been a great blessing to the poor people this term. Had it not been for the aprons, dresses, shirt-waists and pants made in the sewing department, many of the boys and girls could not have been kept in school. We have received a large supply of clothing, which has been most helpful. We have been compelled to clothe many of the naked this term without any pecuniary compensation; but we truly believe that the returns have been ample. The Lord has blessed us with a prosperous and peaceful year's work; to his name be all the glory. The workers in this station are: Rev. W. M. Fowlkes, G. R. Salley, Miss Fannie B. Gregory and Mrs. Nannie D. Fowlkes.

## NORFOLK, VIRGINIA.

### DAY SCHOOL.

The total enrollment for the year is 679.

### SABBATH SCHOOL.

Average daily attendance, fall term, 664; winter term, 668; for the year, 666. Collections, \$139.32, divided between the Boards of Home and Freedmen's Missions.

### PRAYER-MEETINGS.

The Christian Endeavor, with an average attendance of about 20, was changed into the Students' Prayer-meeting, with an attendance of 109. The Junior Prayer-meeting has an average attendance of 33.

### CONGREGATION.

The attendance on the preaching service has increased from 14, at the beginning of the year, to 50 during this last month. The attendance at the last three Sabbaths was respectively 50, 49, 53 (colored). The increase in membership is ten. Eight others expressed a wish for membership, but it was believed they needed more enlightenment before their reception. The membership is 49. The amount of collection for the year is \$58.85.

Missionary Society.—Membership, 14. Meetings monthly. Contributions, \$28.00.

Printing for the College.—Bulletins, 150 monthly; receipts, 3,800; grade cards, 32; envelopes, 500; dodgers, 1,000; tickets, 850; programs, 950.

Printing for other parties.—Tickets, 2,200; programs, 200; cards, 1,754; dodgers, 2,000; wedding cards, 50; blank sheets, 800; circulars, 200; badges, 15; certificates, 75; envelopes, 750; letter heads, 1,000; bill-fares, 18; receipts, 1,000.

Twenty-eight students have received instruction in this department during the year.

The workers here are: Rev. Wm. McKirahan, T. E. Brownlee, Robert Hamill, Mrs. M. A. Gebhart, and the Misses Mabel Gray Wylie, Nan. J. Mahan, Elizabeth F. Houston, Ina McLaren, Mary M. Welch, Lyda J. Purdy, Sarah Gancy, Gertrude Broughton, Ida W. Johnston and Howard Ballentine.

#### HENDERSON, NORTH CAROLINA.

This year has been in most respects, if not in all, the best year since the school was opened. The attendance of the pupils has been more regular, and they have been more diligent in their work. The total enrollment has reached 619. A larger proportion of the students remain in school the whole year; and each year both the parents and the pupils recognize the importance of regularity. With few exceptions, the students endeavor to be present every day; and some of them come long distances, and in cold, stormy weather, because they do not wish to miss a day. Each year, also, we have been able to raise the grade of the school. The religious work has been carried on with diligence. The total number in the classes in Sabbath-school is more than 700, and the attendance upon the preaching service Sabbath afternoon varies from 425 to 550. Though we have not secured what we had hoped, we believe a start has been made which will lead to an opening for a church. Our services have been well attended all the year. The chapel has been filled almost every Sabbath. In the morning the students in the dormitories and a few people from town have met in the chapel for Bible study. In the afternoon a sermon by the principal, and the study of the Sabbath-school lesson in the class-rooms. In the evening a praise and prayer service, in which the students participated. 562 visits have been made in the homes of the people during the year. Also the principal male teachers have gone out several times to the churches in the country to carry the Gospel. Three hundred students in the dormitories afford a promising and important field for religious work. Into these minds and hearts we are permitted to sow the seed of truth, and watering it with prayer, and enforcing a careful example, we have reason to hope it will bear precious fruit in many hearts and in many homes. And we have reason to believe the sowing has not been in vain. Several of the students have openly sought the hope of the Gospel, and some of them have united with their home churches. Besides, we can see the evidences of growth on the part of many others. Their religion becomes to them a new life, and not a mere form. In many ways the fruit of the daily services conducted by the teachers is seen. And if it were possible to give them somewhat better conditions by the addition of more rooms, we might hope for better results.

To sum up: The school work this year easily stands before all others; the attendance has been more regular, the condition of the school-rooms has been better, the students have been more diligent, and the teachers have not been less capable and faithful.

The religious work has been more aggressive, has been more varied, embracing, in addition to the Bible study in the classes, and the young people's services, special Bible study lessons each Sabbath morning, and the usual Sabbath afternoon services. More than 500 visits have been made to the homes of the people, and in many other ways efforts have been made to teach and encourage the people.

The missionaries at this mission are: Rev. C. L. McCracken, Jno. McClenahan, Ernest E. Forrester, Margaret B. Martin, Stella Marshall, Emma Robertson, Lissa M. Jack, Mattie B. Speer and Margaret Kerr.

#### THE WOMEN'S BOARD.

The Women's Board has paid the salaries of 17 Industrial Teachers, amounting to \$6,825. The Women's Association has purchased land at Camden, Ala., and is now engaged in the erection of a school building and a teachers' home, at a cost of about \$3,500. Without this aid, the industrial work could not have been carried on in the different missions; and the mission at Camden could not have been continued. For the timely and liberal aid thus rendered, the Board is profoundly thankful.

#### FINANCES.

The Treasury has been much embarrassed during the whole year. There were not more than one or two months since the opening of the schools in September, when the receipts from all sources were sufficient to pay the salaries due, and sometimes the missionaries in the field had to wait for their hard-earned salaries until their credit was in danger of being seriously discounted. On account of this stringency, it will not be surprising when it is discovered that the large debt reported last year still hangs as a burden upon the work, practically as heavy as one year ago. The insurance on Elnathan Hall was received just when a large obligation was maturing in the bank, and was used to meet that claim, in the hope that by the time it was purposed to rebuild, the Treasury would be able to replace the sum. But these expectations have not been realized, hence the building is still in ruins, and to the balance of indebtedness, as reported by the treasurer, must be added the amount of said insurance, \$10,890. The work is greatly crippled at the very foundation of our whole mission structure among the freedmen, by the loss of this building, but it cannot be replaced till there is relief from the present burden of debt. Will not the Assembly adopt measures which will speedily bring the needed help? The total indebtedness, not including the amount of insurance, due the building at Knoxville, is \$14,800.00

#### FINANCIAL SUMMARY.

Received from Presbyteries.....	\$23,221 15
"    "    Individuals.....	2,734 00
"    "    Sabbath-schools.....	3,083 06
"    "    Women's Board.....	6,825 00
"    "    Other Societies.....	205 84
"    "    Legacies.....	3,877 31
"    "    Miscellaneous.....	2,387 78
"    "    Balance from last year.....	349 16
"    "    Insurance on Elnathan Hall.....	10,890 00
"    "    Balance overdrawn.....	56 03
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Total.....	\$53,629 33
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Expenditures.....	\$53,629 33

The Treasury is overdrawn \$56.03, and the expense of the schools and mission work for the current month is wholly unprovided for. What shall we do?

The Board respectfully asks for an appropriation of \$50,000 for next year.

The term of office of Rev. D. A. McClenahan, D.D., J. J. Porter, and Rev. D. F. McGill, D.D., expires with this meeting.

Respectfully submitted,

By order of the Board,

W. H. McMillan President.

J. W. Witherspoon, Cor. Secretary.

Allegheny, Pa., May 17, 1897.

## REPORT OF THE BOARD OF CHURCH EXTENSION.

The blessing of God has rested on this department of mission work, and the whole Church should praise Him for His great goodness, and for His faithfulness to His promise to be with His servants as they do His will.

During the year several special meetings of the Board were held in addition to the regular monthly meetings. The Corresponding Secretary visited a number of the Synods. He also visited some of the missions, and, on the request of the Presbyteries in charge, he, in company with the Corresponding Secretary of the Board of Home Missions, visited new fields in Nebraska and Michigan. The results of these visits were very satisfactory to the Board.

To a reasonable degree the Board has been able to meet the demands upon it. It has not been possible to give all the aid asked, nor, in some cases, as much as might have been profitably used, but enough has been given to place the missions on a safe footing.

In common with all other benevolent organizations, the Board has felt the continued financial depression. In view of the straitened condition of the Home Mission work, the Board made no other effort to increase the contributions than to issue the usual monthly statement and send a copy of the annual report to each congregation, and such addresses to the Synods as the Corresponding Secretary was able to make. It was thought better that the Home Mission work should be liberally supported at the present time in order to its permanent relief. But the Board respectfully asks the General Assembly to take measures for a general increase of the contributions for all departments of the work of the Church, to the exclusion of special agencies for any one part of it. The effort should be to secure from every congregation a contribution for every fund and to each one in the proportion of the appropriation by the General Assembly.

The Board regrets to say that it has felt constrained to permit a number of congregations aided to incur debt to other parties. Sometimes this arose from the house costing more than was anticipated, and sometimes from the Board not being able to give the amount necessary to complete the house without debt. In each case it was judged that the debt was not too great to be undertaken with safety.

The Board repeats the following from the report of last year, and asks for it a careful consideration: "It has been the aim of the General Assembly to discourage appeals by congregations and missions directly to individual members outside of their communities. One of the conditions of all grants is that 'the congregation shall not solicit aid outside its own community without the consent of the Board.' Of late such appeals have been frequent and urgent, and have diverted gifts which should have come to the general work. The Board has no power to control individual gifts, and has no desire to interfere with the liberty of every one to give according to his own judgment, but such solicitations are working to the injury of the resources of the Board."

## SABBATH-SCHOOLS.

A few years ago the Spokane mission, by the aid of the Board, erected a part of its church, but this small house has become entirely inadequate to the needs of the congregation. The Board, therefore, consented to aid in the erection of the main building, designating it as the Sabbath-school memorial church for this year, and authorized the pastor and session to present the object to the Sabbath-schools, all contributions to be paid through the financial agents to the Board as usual, two-thirds of the contributions so raised to be applied to the Spokane church, conditioned on the congregation raising \$3,000.

## THE WOMEN'S MISSIONARY BOARD.

The Women's Missionary Board has rendered generous and much needed assistance in grants for parsonages.

## ASSOCIATE REFORMED SYNOD OF THE SOUTH.

On the request of the Home Mission Board of the Associate Reformed Synod of the South, the Corresponding Secretary and the Corresponding Secretary of the Home Mission Board met a committee of that Synod in Louisville, Ky., with a view to co-operation in that city. It was agreed that this would be a very desirable field for such co-operation, its location making it an important one for both Churches. There is a congregation of the Southern Synod, which has a desirable lot, but the building is unsuitable. The congregation was hindered from any forward movement by a certain reversionary interest in its property held by the party of whom it had been bought. While there the committee succeeded in securing the release of this claim, and the way is now open for the erection of a suitable building. Application for aid will be made to this Board.

## CONTRIBUTIONS.

A reference to the Treasurer's report shows that the receipts from contributions have been \$26,849.59. This is \$3,789 less than last year. The Board congratulates the General Assembly that under the peculiar conditions of the year the contributions have been so well sustained, and suggests that grateful acknowledgment of the same be made.

The receipts from congregations, Sabbath-schools and societies are a little over 49.4 per cent. of the appropriation by the Assembly. Including the contributions of individuals the percentage of the appropriation is 53.7.

The appropriation by the General Assembly made an average of 16 cents per member. Arranged by Synods the receipts through the financial agents have been as follows:

New York.....	\$3,596	40.	or	19.7	cents per member.
Pittsburgh.....	5,660	10.	or	26.4	" "
First West.....	6,373	07.	or	30.8	" "
Ohio.....	2,200	04.	or	21.5	" "
Second.....	1,079	29.	or	11.6	" "
Illinois.....	1,990	86.	or	21.0	" "
Iowa.....	1,487	76.	or	15.8	" "
Kansas.....	327	60.	or	7.6	" "
Nebraska.....	675	56.	or	18.5	" "
California.....	287	44.	or	17.9	" "
Columbia.....	208	58.	or	17.3	" "
The Whole Church.....	23,886	70.	or	21.8	" "

Of the 878 congregations of our Church in this country, 681 report themselves as contributing to Church Extension, an increase of 24 congregations over last year, but still over 100 less than the number contributing to some other Boards.

## FINANCIAL STATEMENT.

The receipts from all sources have been as follows:

From Congregations .....		\$19,460	74
From Sabbath-Schools .....		4,625	63
From Societies and Conventions .....		383	22
From General Assembly Collection .....		255	00
From Individuals .....		2,125	00
Total Direct Contributions .....		\$26,849	59
From Legacies .....	\$ 3,063	55	
Loans Returned: Churches .....	4,838	50	
Parsonages .....	1,652	08	
Rents .....	60	01	
Interest on Permanent Funds.....	3,569	59	
Investments .....	1,300	00	
Sales of Property .....	7,196	98	21,680 71
Total for the year.....		\$48,530	30
Balance May 1, 1896.....		2,002	77
Total .....		\$50,533	07

The payments have been:

To Congregations .....	\$25,332	91	
Special: West Hoboken, N. J.....	\$ 24	00	
Lincoln, Neb.....	131	00	155 00
Annuities .....		455	00
Taxes, Insurance, etc.....		1,029	27
Current Expenses .....		2,082	81
Investments of Permanent Funds.....		4,100	00
Balance .....		\$17,378	08
Appropriations Subject to Call.....	10,033	02	
Permanent Funds for Investment.....	5,000	00	15,033 02
Available Balance .....		\$ 2,345	06

The liabilities of the Board are:

Appropriations Not Paid .....	\$14,500	00	
Proceeds of First Indianapolis Lot.....	4,079	71	\$18,579 71

During the greater part of the year the receipts from congregations, Sabbath-schools and societies were very small, but over one-fifth of the whole amount from these sources was received within the last fifteen days of the year. As a consequence the maturing appropriations could not be paid out before the closing of the books.

The item, "Sales of Property," includes the proceeds of the sale of a part of the First Indianapolis church lot, which is temporarily held until required for the new church, and is not available for any other use.

Also the item, "Taxes, etc.," includes certain heavy assessments on the same property for street improvements.

An exhibit of all the funds of the Board is herewith submitted.

## APPROPRIATIONS.

The appropriations have been as follows:

CONGREGATIONS.	PRESBYTERIES.	DONATIONS.	LOANS.
Albany .....	Albany.....	\$ 500 00.....	
Allegheny, Ninth .....	Allegheny.....	5,000 00.....	
Allegheny, West End.....	Allegheny.....	200 00.....	\$ 700
Birmingham .....	Detroit.....	1,400 00.....	
Central Falls .....	Boston.....	1,000 00.....	
Chicago, Fifth .....	Chicago.....	2,000 00.....	
Chicago, Sixth .....	Chicago.....	5,000 00.....	
DeWitt .....	Southern Illinois.....	350 00.....	
Indianapolis, First .....	Indiana.....	3,000 00.....	2,000
Kimbolton .....	Muskingum.....	500 00.....	500
Linesville .....	Lake.....	2,183 00.....	
Monmouth, 9th Ave.....	Monmouth.....	1,000 00.....	
Morgan Hill .....	San Francisco.....	400 00.....	
Pretty Prairie .....	Arkansas Valley.....	450 00.....	
Reynoldton, First .....	Westmoreland.....	1,500 00.....	
Shedd, Parsonage .....	Oregon.....		650
South Omaha, Pars'age.....	Omaha.....		1,300
Spokane .....	Spokane.....	3,121 51.....	
Springfield, Parsonage.....	Southern Illinois.....		400
		\$27,604 51	\$5,550

Total appropriations.....\$33,154.51.

The loan to First Indianapolis is a temporary accommodation until the remainder of the old property can be sold, the title to which is in the Board.

The applications on the table not yet acted upon amount to \$13,900.

## ACKNOWLEDGMENTS.

The Board is under continued obligation to William F. Robb, Esq., and also to F. L. Stephenson, Esq., for gratuitous services as Notaries. As always heretofore, the Superintendents of Missions and others whose official services have been required, have responded promptly and efficiently.

## VACANCIES.

The term of service of Rev. T. C. Atchison, Mr. A. P. Burchfield and Rev. A. H. Calvert expires with this year.

## APPROPRIATION.

The applications now on the table, the correspondence already had concerning new work, and the general outlook, indicate that the appropriation for the coming year should be not less than for last year.

Respectfully submitted,

By order of the Board,

M. M. Patterson, President.

C. F. Dean, Secretary.

A. G. Wallace, Cor. Secretary.

## REPORT OF THE BOARD OF PUBLICATION.

In submitting this, our annual report, to the General Assembly, we desire to express our gratitude to the Head of the Church for that measure of success, through his favor, which has attended the work of this Board, not only during the past year, but ever since it was organized.

When we contrast its condition at its beginning, in a small and dingy room on Third avenue, with its situation at the present time, in the suitable and convenient quarters which it owns and occupies on Ninth street, we deeply feel that "The Lord hath done great things for us, whereof we are glad."

It is not many years ago that our Church was without an agency, under its control, for printing a Bible, a Psalm book, or even a Catechism. It had no Sabbath-school periodical, no Quarterlies or Lesson Helps. Now it has Bibles, Psalm books, Psalters, Bible Songs, Quarterlies, and periodicals for the Young People's Societies and the Sabbath-school; in a word, it is well furnished with a complete supply of denominational literature. A good part of its working capital in the early years of its history was the gift of a few of its friends. For many years it has not asked for any appropriation by the General Assembly. Its grants to missions, mission stations, weak congregations and Sabbath-schools amount to more than all it has ever received from the Church.

While the propriety and wisdom of some of the more important undertakings of the Board have not commended themselves to all at the time, subsequent results have been so favorable as to fully vindicate the action of the Board.

That it was wise to sell the property on Third street, and purchase this location on Ninth, is now clear enough to every one, though at the time many thought it unwise to make the change.

It will be remembered that it was against very earnest opposition that the Board was permitted to enter upon the work of issuing Sabbath-school periodicals and other helps for the Sabbath-school. Now our Church has reason to congratulate herself on possessing a periodic literature equal to the best, and vastly superior to a large part of that which is showered in so great abundance upon the Sabbath-schools of the country. Those of us who remember the difficulties and disadvantages under which our Sabbath-school work was conducted 30 or 40 years ago, will be able to appreciate the work accomplished by our Board of Publication, acting under the direction of the Assembly.

## NEW PUBLICATIONS.

The only new publications issued during the year were the following: Dr. MacDill's learned work on the Pentateuch, which has been well received by scholars and theologians, and favorably noticed by the religious press. This valuable work should be in the library of all our ministers and theological students. Another work which we can heartily commend to all our people is "From Occident to Orient," by the Rev. W. Alex. Smith, one of our own ministers. This book we regard as one of our most timely publications. For persons who propose to travel in Europe and the East, this book is almost an indispensable vade mecum. The writer's travels in Mohammedan countries enable him to speak most interestingly and intelligently of the spirit and practical tendency of Islamism. His chapter on Egypt alone, with its admirable sketch of Ramba and the Prince Dhuleep Singh, is worth the price of the book. A good part of the second edition has been sold, and another will soon be called for. Of "Dying at the Top," by Dr. Joseph W. Clokey, a new edition has been issued during the year. We have also printed new editions of the Psalter, Bible Songs, Selections, S. S. Record, New England Primer, and various Catechisms.



The Board expects to publish during the coming year Dr. Watson's History of the Egyptian Mission, which has been prepared by request of the General Assembly. The author has it about ready to be sent to the printer. This work, it is believed, will be a valuable addition to the Foreign Mission literature of our Church. We now have the late Dr. Gordon's admirable book, "Our India Mission," one of the most valuable works ever written by a foreign missionary. We have also, for sale, the excellent work of Dr. Robert Stewart, on "Mission Work in India," which for thoroughness and completeness, as well as for its piety and scholarship, occupies a very high place in this department of literature. It is a book for everyone interested in Foreign Mission work.

During the past year Mr. S. A. Park, who has had the Depository of our publications at Kansas City for a number of years, found it necessary to remove his residence to Chicago. It had been felt for some time that Chicago was a better point for this purpose than Kansas City, and as Mr. Park's services had been very satisfactory, we were enabled to transfer the Depository to Chicago under very favorable circumstances, and have reason to believe that the change has been very acceptable to our patrons. A supply of the Board's books can be found with Mr. Park at 18 Lakeside Building, Chicago. Negotiations are under way for the opening of a Depository in the Northwest, at the request of the Synod of the Columbia.

#### OUR SABBATH SCHOOL WORK.

This work we regard as the great work of our Board. It has been the aim of the Board to secure a Sabbath-school literature for our Church equal to the very best offered in the country. We now feel authorized to say, and we believe the Church will sustain us in the statement, that no other Church has made so excellent progress as our own in securing a complete variety of the very best periodicals for Sabbath-schools and Young People's Societies, or has Sabbath-school music of so suitable a character as our own. We know that the subject matter of our Sabbath-school songs is incomparably better than that possessed by most of the Churches; and other denominations and Church leaders are rapidly coming to the recognition and acknowledgment of this interesting fact.

We hope to be able to do more for the advancement of our Sabbath-school interests during the coming year than ever before. We urge the organization of mission Sabbath-schools in every locality where it is practicable to establish one. We believe that our ministers and people ought to be much more aggressive than they have been along this line. We have heretofore made all necessary grants to mission Sabbath-schools called for; we expect to do so in the future; and we ask the earnest co-operation of the Assembly in this promising department of our work. We call the attention of the Assembly particularly to the report of our Committee on Sabbath-schools embodied in this Report, and we earnestly ask that the General Assembly will give all possible encouragement to this good work.

Again we are able to state that a report has been received from every Presbytery in the home Church. Most of these reports are complete; a few, however, are fragmentary. We first present a statistical summary, and, for comparison, append the last two years' figures:

	1895.	1896.	1897.
Number of Presbyteries reporting.....	58	60	61
.. .. " not reporting.. .. .	2	0	0
.. .. " Schools reporting.. .. .	819	886	897
.. .. " not reporting.....	68	32	41
.. .. " attended by Pastors.....	594	654	694
.. .. " Elders attending Sabbath-school.....	2,675	2,885	2,948
.. .. " not attending Sabbath-school....	666	572	688

*Enrollment.*

	1895.	1896.	1897.
Number of officers and teachers.....	10,680	11,566	11,897
"    " scholars.....	90,850	99,892	102,766
Total.....	101,530	111,458	114,663
Average attendance.....	63,070	69,276	72,309

*Contributions.*

To the Boards of the Church.....	\$29,755	\$32,207	\$33,123
To school expenses.....	38,260	40,394	42,195
To other purposes.....	11,451	13,404	13,684
Total.....	\$79,466	\$85,905	\$89,002

	1895.	1896.	1897.
Number of scholars confessing Christ.....	4,507	4,135	3,982
"    " teachers' meetings and classes....	184	182	172
Schools studying catechisms.....	651	699	864
Presbyteries holding conventions.....	32	39	22
Mission schools.....	72	63	69
Home department scholars.....	.....	.....	703
Schools adopting "Loyal Army" plan.....	.....	.....	115

From about one-half of the forty-one schools not reporting, we have had no statistics within the last three years. We would suggest that the P. S. S. Superintendents report such delinquents to their respective Presbyteries.

*Pastors.* They attend 694 schools. Statistics show that very few pastors fail to take an active part in this branch of church work.

*Elders.* Of the 3,636 elders, 2,948 attend our schools. Proportionately this is a smaller number than attended one year ago.

*Enrollment.* The total reported enrollment is 114,663, or 3,205 more than ever before. Yet the net increase is less than 3 per cent. While we rejoice in a steady growth, we should earnestly strive to make it more rapid. Especially would we urge Presbyteries reporting a marked decrease to examine carefully into the cause. Why not have 150,000 enrolled one year hence? We could have. We ought to have. God has placed more than that number within our reach. Shall we gather them in?

*Average Attendance.* Note carefully the figures. While we have an enrollment of 114,663, we have present each Sabbath an average of only 72,309. More than 42,000 of our teachers and pupils are away from our schools each Lord's day. The reports indicate that in the same community or city, we sometimes find a difference of 30 to 35 per cent. in the average attendance of the schools. Evidently the seeming carelessness on the part of the few, rather than lack of earnestness on the part of the many, is the cause of the low average attendance.

*Contributions.* Financially embarrassing as the times are, we can still report a steady increase in the grace of giving. This year the sum is \$89,002, or \$3,097 more than ever before. Of the total contributions, \$33,123 were paid to the Boards of the Church. Encouraging as our contributions are, it means only one and a half cents per Sabbath for each member enrolled. We have still room to abound in this grace; yet we thank God for the encouragement he has given us.

*Scholars Confessing Christ.* The number is 3,982. This is the most humiliating statement in our report. The above figures show that for two years we have been reporting a decrease in the number of confessions, while we have reported an increase in the enrollment. This decrease is general, being found in nearly all our Presbyteries. Let every Presbytery give prayerful heed to this most important phase of Sabbath-school work. It is for the conversion of souls and their instruction in the knowledge of Christ, that our schools exist. God grant that we may be willing to stop this ebb, and cause the stream to flow until thousands are brought to Christ, where only hundreds are now gathered into the fold.

*Presbyterial Conventions and Conferences.* Only 22 have been reported. The blank space in many of the reports contained neither a positive nor a negative answer. Those, however, reporting conventions or conferences, almost invariably speak of the same in glowing terms. Let P. S. S. Superintendents press their claims, and great good can be accomplished by keeping this vital phase of Church work prominently before our people.

*Miscellaneous Subjects.* There is still a gradual decrease in the number of Teachers' Meetings and Normal Classes, and a gradual increase in the number studying the Catechism.

In the Home Department, 703 scholars have been reported. This, however, does not include the whole number, as many schools report a Home Class without giving the enrollment. This is a branch of our work to which special attention should be given. Let Superintendents and Pastors apply to our Board of Publication or Depositories for literature and sample class-book, membership cards, etc. We entreat you to examine into this very important branch of S. S. work.

Generally, the "Loyal Army" plan meets with hearty approval; yet a few disapprove of it.

The Presbyterial Superintendents, almost without exception, speak in glowing terms of the outlook for our schools. A good degree of satisfaction seems to prevail; but let it be a satisfaction which will convince us that we can and should put forth more earnestness and zeal, in striving for a higher degree of perfection than we have yet attained.

We recommend the appointment of the third Sabbath of October as a day of special prayer in all our congregations for Sabbath-schools; and the second Sabbath of June as "Missionary Day," and the fourth Sabbath of November as "Temperance Day."

The terms of office of the following members expire this year, viz.: Revs. W. J. Robinson, D. D., S. H. Graham, W. R. McKee, D.D., J. D. Sands, D.D., and W. K. McGinness, Esq. Also of John C. Boyd, D.D., as Corresponding Secretary.

The following statement shows in detail our operations during the past year, and our present financial condition.

#### STATEMENT FOR YEAR ENDING APRIL 30, 1897.

##### ASSETS.

Real Estate.....	\$170,604 52
Bible Plates.....	2,000 00
Miscellaneous Plates.....	9,537 00
Accounts due from Sundry Persons.....	9,027 34
Cash with Treasurer.....	1,668 89
Cash in Drawer (Including Treasurer's Warrant)..	1,519 53
Merchandise, Stock.....	24,341 29

## PERIODICAL DEPARTMENT (ORIGINAL COST.)

Bible Teacher.....	\$ 1,595 00	
Quarterly.....	2,972 50	
Olive Plants.....	1,840 00	
Youth's Evangelist.....	6,190 00	
Christian Union Herald.....	970 00	
		\$232,266 07

## LIABILITIES.

McElroy Bible Fund.....	\$ 10,380 00	
Indiana County Bible Fund.....	1,433 00	
Latta Bible and Psalm Book Fund.....	600 00	
Reed Bible and Psalm Book Fund.....	8,333 33	
Sproull Fund.....	1,306 10	
Bills Payable—Notes Outstanding.....	36,095 52	
Mortgage on Building.....	60,000 00	
Due Sundry Persons.....	4,985 73	
Surplus Assets over Liabilities.....	109,132 39	
		\$232,266 07

## RECEIPTS.

From Sales of Merchandise for Cash.....	\$ 15,343 51	
“ Accounts Collected.....	9,935 38	
“ Presbyteries.....	40 35	
“ Bequest—Jno. Alexander.....	96 74	
“ Royalty.....	75 53	
“ Rents.....	12,736 25	
“ Bills Payable (Notes).....	102,500 00	
“ Mortgage.....	60,000 00	

## FROM PERIODICAL DEPARTMENT, VIZ.

Bible Teacher.....	\$ 3,317 00	
Quarterly.....	6,825 71	
Junior Quarterly.....	1,932 02	
Olive Plants.....	4,605 69	
Youth's Evangelist.....	10,413 54	
Christian Union Herald.....	16,585 20	
		\$43,679 16
		\$244,406 92

## EXPENDITURES.

Cash Paid Book Department, Schedule “A”.....	\$ 27,186 79	
“ “ Periodical Department, Schedule “B”... ..	39,616 06	
“ “ Building Account, Schedule “C”.....	13,433 10	
“ “ Royalty.....	41 58	
“ “ Notes and Renewals.....	123,730 27	
“ “ on Account New Building.....	41,724 35	
		\$245,732 15

## SCHEDULE “A”—BOOK DEPARTMENT.

Salaries—Business Manager and Other Employes in Business Department.....	\$ 4,299 03
Salary of Corresponding Secretary.....	200 00
Freight.....	528 99
Postage.....	692 04
Advertising.....	295 08
Wrapping Paper and Twine.....	104 05
Insurance on Merchandise.....	122 99
State Mercantile License.....	51 00
Printing and Stationery.....	403 23

Sundry Expenses.....	395 73	
Proportion—Rent.....	1,400 00	
Binding Bibles.....	289 45	
Printing Psalm Books.....	860 82	
Binding Psalm Books.....	2,142 73	
Miscellaneous Printing.....	2,413 57	
Miscellaneous Binding.....	212 19	
Merchandise.....	12,775 89	
		\$ 27,186 79

## SCHEDULE "B"—PERIODICAL DEPARTMENT.

## BIBLE TEACHER.

Composition, Presswork and Binding.....\$	1,511 52	
Contributors.....	226 00	
Engraving.....	9 00	
Wrapping Paper and Twine.....	21 14	
Printing and Stationery.....	16 69	
Freight.....	3 72	
Paper.....	403 89	
Postage.....	105 35	
Proportion—Sundry Expenses and Rent.....	170 12	
Proportion—Editorial and Clerical Salaries.....	475 25	
		\$ 2,942 68

## QUARTERLY.

Composition, Presswork and Binding.....\$	1,340 60	
Contributors.....	175 00	
Engraving.....	56 58	
Wrapping Paper and Twine.....	58 24	
Printing and Stationery.....	45 89	
Freight.....	12 56	
Paper.....	1,294 30	
Postage.....	526 76	
Proportion—Sundry Expenses and Rent.....	450 34	
Proportion—Editorial and Clerical Salaries.....	1,306 94	
		\$ 5,267 21

## JUNIOR QUARTERLY.

Composition, Presswork and Binding.....\$	430 94	
Contributors.....	75 00	
Printing and Stationery.....	10 43	
Wrapping Paper.....	13 23	
Postage.....	79 01	
Paper.....	380 40	
Proportion—Sundry Expenses and Rent.....	107 00	
Proportion—Editorial and Clerical Salaries.....	297 03	
		\$ 1,393 04

## OLIVE PLANTS.

Composition and Presswork.....\$	1,535 86	
Contributors.....	27 00	
Engraving.....	71 09	
Paper.....	931 08	
Printing and Stationery.....	25 03	
Wrapping Paper and Twine.....	31 76	
Postage.....	263 38	
Freight.....	5 62	
Proportion—Sundry Expenses and Rent.....	250 18	
Proportion—Editorial and Clerical Salaries.....	712 88	
		\$ 3,853 88

## YOUTH'S EVANGELIST.

Composition and Presswork.....	\$ 3,549 85	
Contributors.....	211 00	
Engraving.....	217 21	
Paper.....	1,978 56	
Wrapping Paper and Twine.....	71 47	
Freight.....	12 66	
Postage.....	658 45	
Printing and Stationery.....	56 33	
Proportion—Sundry Expenses and Rent.....	544 05	
Proportion—Editorial and Clerical Salaries.....	1,603 97	
	<hr/>	\$ 8,903 55

## CHRISTIAN UNION HERALD.

Composition and Presswork.....	\$ 7,318 51	
Contributors.....	753 00	
Paper.....	5,424 46	
Engraving.....	18 16	
Printing and Stationery.....	54 24	
Wrapping Paper and Twine.....	68 87	
Postage.....	974 52	
Freight.....	7 16	
Proportion—Sundry Expenses and Rent.....	582 20	
Proportion—Editorial and Clerical Salaries.....	2,054 58	
	<hr/>	\$ 17,255 70

## SCHEDULE "C"—BUILDING ACCOUNT.

Salaries—Engineer, Fireman, Night Watchman, Janitors and Elevator Man.....	\$ 3,355 28	
Fuel.....	1,319 05	
Engineer's Supplies—Tools, etc., etc.....	380 73	
Janitors' Supplies.....	160 95	
Sundry Expenses.....	509 63	
Interest on Mortgage.....	1,117 50	
Discount on Notes.....	2,291 42	
Insurance on Building*.....	1,956 82	
Taxes on Real Estate.....	1,610 92	
Water Tax.....	630 00	
Gas.....	100 80	
	<hr/>	\$ 13,433 10

\*Note:—\$1,717.82 of this amount is in three-year Policies.

## SUMMARY OF BUSINESS OF YEAR.

## DONATIONS.

Bibles and Testaments.....	\$ 637 60	
Psalm Books.....	839 79	
Sabbath-school Periodicals and Miscellaneous.....	480 59	
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Total Donations.....	\$ 1,957 98	
Total Business of Book Department.....	\$ 36,815 20	
Total Business of Periodical Department.....	43,679 16	
	<hr/>	\$ 80,494 36

## AVERAGE CIRCULATION OF PERIODICALS.

Bible Teacher (Monthly).....	7,075
Bible Teacher Quarterly (Quarterly).....	69,075
Bible Teacher Junior Quarterly (Quarterly).....	24,800
Bible Teacher Cards (Quarterly).....	19,437
Olive Plants (Weekly).....	22,900
Youth's Evangelist (Weekly).....	24,104
Christian Union Herald (Weekly).....	22,904
Total aggregate circulation of all periodicals for the year, 4,172,950.	

## FINANCIAL.

During the past year our business in the Book Department has felt the stress of prevailing financial depression and general shrinkage, there being a decrease in this department of \$2,918.70. There is, however, a slight increase in the Periodical Department—amounting to \$788.49—which leaves a net decrease in the whole business of \$2,130.21, or about two and a half per cent. (2½%), as compared with last year's business. Last year's business, however, showed an unusually large increase over the preceding year in both departments. The receipts from the "Bible Teacher," amounting to \$3,317.00, include receipts from advertising in same to the amount of \$254.90. The receipts from the "Christian Union Herald," amounting to \$16,585.20, include receipts from advertising to the amount of \$5,289.34.

Reference to the summary of business for the year shows that the Board has rendered aid to the Boards of Home Missions, Freedmen's Missions and Foreign Missions, and to many needy congregations and mission stations to the amount of \$637.60 in Bibles and Testaments, \$839.79 in Psalm books (including Bible Songs), and \$480.59 in Sabbath-school periodicals and various publications, making a total of \$1,957.98.

At the first of January the price of the Evangelist was reduced from 45 cents to 40 cents, the full effect of which change in price does not appear in this year's receipts. It may be of interest to note the fact that an investigation shows that in proportion to the total Church membership, our total business is double that of any other Publishing Board in the country—a fact which indicates we are cultivating our field.

We were obliged to occupy the new building last year sometime before it was completed and ready for occupancy, either for ourselves or our tenants. As a consequence, we lost a large part of the rents for two months, and part of the building remained unoccupied during the year. As a consequence of this unfinished condition of the building, there was increased cost of maintenance. To get the necessary insurance on building at the most favorable terms, it was necessary to take out policies covering three years—thus throwing the cost of insurance for three years into one year. Considerable outlay was necessary also for tools and supplies for maintenance of the building with its machinery, which might have been charged to a permanent account. But we have charged all these to running expenses of the year. All these circumstances have materially decreased our income for this first year from rents, and increased the expense on maintenance. Leases now in force will materially increase our income for rents for the coming year, while the cost of maintenance will be considerably decreased.

Respectfully submitted,

John T. Findley,

Business Manager.

By order of the Board,

J. C. Boyd,

Corresponding Secretary.

Pittsburgh, May 20, 1897.

## REPORT OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION.

### I. BENEFICIARIES.

The number of students receiving assistance, through presbyterial recommendation, is larger than during any preceding year in the history of the Board. Ninety-two young men have been certified as "needing the full amount," for which applications have been made. Of this number two are literary students. One is a member of the senior class at Monmouth, the other is attending Westminster College. Of the theological students, fifty-one attended the Seminary at Allegheny, Pa., thirty-eight the Seminary at Xenia, O., and one, by advice of physicians, and on recommendation of presbytery, was granted an appropriation while attending the Seminary at Due West, S. C. The literary students were each recommended for \$100. Of the theological students, one was recommended for \$40, twenty-three of \$50 each, one for \$60, four for \$75 each, forty for \$100 each, and twenty-three for \$125 each. The total amount asked from the beneficiary fund was \$8,425.00.

The applications were as follows: College Springs Presbytery, 9 students; Monmouth, 7; Allegheny, Butler and Xenia, 6 each; Illinois Southern, and Muskingum, 5 each; Keokuk, Lake and Sidney, 4 each; Argyle, Chicago and Wheeling, 3 each; Arkansas Valley, Conemaugh, Garnett, Mercer, Monongahela, Ohio First, Pawnee, Steubenville, and Westmoreland, 2 each; Beaver Valley, Chartiers, Chillicothe, Cleveland, Des Moines, Mansfield, New York, Philadelphia and Rock Island, one each.

The contributions of the Church during the year for the beneficiary fund amounted to \$3,712.62. To this sum may be added the income from permanent investments, and special contributions, making the actual receipts from all sources for the assistance of young men, \$5,161.83. It was not possible, with the funds placed at our disposal, to pay more than fifty per cent. of the appropriations made. This, and a small per cent. paid to academies, required all the contributions, and interest, of the year. In view of the fact that the Board was unable to meet this deficiency, it was decided to reduce the permanent fund so as to liquidate the present indebtedness, and then to give notice that in the future young men need not expect more than can be secured from the regular contributions, and the annual income to the beneficiary fund.

Four of the young men found it possible to finish the year without drawing upon the Board for the second installment. The money returned amounted to \$111, which, being deducted from the beneficiary item in the financial report, leaves the aggregate payment to students \$4,115.00. Five young men were found to have violated their pledge respecting the use of tobacco. By direction of the Board these cases were referred to the presbyteries endorsing the recommendations. There is still an increasing tendency on the part of presbyteries to receive young men as theological students who are undergraduates, and who do not intend to complete a collegiate course.

Intimations have been made, both on the floor of the Assembly, and through some of the periodicals of the Church, that the present system of beneficiary education is becoming unpopular and injurious. It may be that this opinion is so prevalent as to account for the large decrease in contributions to this fund. The Assembly should give an explicit declaration on this point, that there may be no disappointment to the young men, that the Board may be relieved from embarrassment in presenting its claims to the Church.

### II. SEMINARIES, COLLEGES AND ACADEMIES.

The work of our educational institutions has been successfully prosecuted during the year. Reports show an increase of fourteen in the regu-



lar work of the seminaries, and of two in the graduating classes. Liberal donations have been made to some of our colleges, endowment funds have been materially increased, buildings have been erected, and needed apparatus has been provided.

There is an increase of 12 in the number of students as compared with last year. Cooper Memorial College leads in a net increase of 62 students; Monmouth an increase of two; Muskingum an increase of 23. Knoxville shows a decrease of four in the number attending; Tarkio, 39, and Westminster, 32.

The synodical agents appointed by the General Assembly have rendered valuable assistance in their respective synods, and have been helpful to the Board in its general work.

An effort was made to secure contributions for the educational fund from all of the congregations on the 24th of January, the day appointed for special services in the interest of our institutions of learning. A letter was sent to each congregation, presenting the work of the Board, and urging its claims upon the Church. There were some liberal responses, but the general result was an indication that, however instructive the sermons and fervent the prayers, the contributions were not materially increased.

On March 25, a card was sent to each pastor, or congregation, in the Church, asking information on the following points: 1. The number of young people of the congregation attending academies, or higher institutions of learning. 2. The number in our own denominational schools. 3. The name of the institution, not of our own denomination, where persons are attending. Of 675 cards sent out, about 500 were answered. The facts obtained from the answers received may be summarized as follows: Students attending higher institutions, 2,215; attending our own institutions, 641; attending schools located away from home, 1,197; attending institutions which are sectarian, or under denominational control, 754; number in non-sectarian schools, 1,131. From these reports we learn that less than one-third of the young men and young women of the Church are receiving their education in our denominational schools, while more than one-half of the whole number are in institutions which are popularly known as non-sectarian.

The contributions to the Seminary and College fund during the year amounted to \$6,068.92, about \$1,000 less than during the preceding year. In accordance with the direction of the Assembly, the money has been distributed as follows: Allegheny Seminary, \$1,012.60; Xenia Seminary, \$843.70; Cooper Memorial College, \$659.50; Monmouth College, \$951.88; Muskingum College, \$815.20; Tarkio College, \$777.20; Westminster College, \$1,008.84.

The appropriation made to academies, from the regular funds of the Board, is the same as last year: Marissa, Illinois, \$150.00; Pawnee City, Nebraska, \$200.00; Waitsburg, Washington, \$300.00. Total to the educational institutions, \$6,718.92.

#### SEMINARIES.

Allegheny, Pa.—There are four professors. Eighty-nine students have been in attendance during the year, an increase of three over the preceding session. The classification is as follows: First year, 33; second year, 27; third year, 28; post-graduate, one. There has been no increase of the permanent endowment fund. Present endowment, \$203,000.

Xenia, Oh'o.—There are four professors in the faculty. Sixty-seven students have been in attendance, classified as follows: First year, 18; second year, 20; third year, 21; and in the special department, 8. Present endowment, \$121,924.85. Increase during the year, \$1,966.13.

The faculties made these suggestions, "That beneficiary aid must be granted to theological students." "In view of the fact of a large increase in the number applying, the Church has shown her attitude by the largely increased contributions for this purpose during the last ten years."

## COLLEGES.

Cooper Memorial College.—The faculty consists of eight professors and three instructors. The total enrollment is 207. The classification is, Preparatory, 65; collegiate, 42; music and art, 99. There are five in the present senior class. The report concerning the spiritual work of the college is that it is in "a good, healthful state." Eighty-six per cent. of all the students are members of the Church. Present endowment, \$25,000. There was nothing added to the endowment fund during the year. Outlay for building and apparatus, \$826.

Knoxville College.—There are 23 professors, and an enrollment of 326 students. The classification is as follows: Preparatory, 95; collegiate, 19; other departments, 212. There are three in the present senior class. Two expect to enter the ministry. The Christian organizations are, Y. P. C. U. and Junior society. The statement of the faculty respecting the spiritual condition of the school is that "perhaps the best evidence of the presence of the Spirit is that many yearn for more spiritual life." The destruction by fire of one of the large buildings, containing dining room and rooms for teachers and students, has interfered materially with the work of the college. It is earnestly hoped that provision may be made for rebuilding in the near future.

Monmouth College.—There are 15 professors and 291 students. Classification—Preparatory, 123; collegiate, 119; other departments, 59. The senior class numbers 21 males and 11 females. Five or six of the young men expect to enter the ministry. Ninety-eight per cent. of the students in the college proper are professing Christians. The report says that the spiritual condition is good. Present endowment, \$110,609.90. Increase during the year, \$10,346.90. In addition to this there has been conveyed to the college an improved farm of 407 acres, located in Henderson county, Illinois, as part of the proceeds of the Mather's estate. Collections for buildings, apparatus, etc., \$10,696.96. It is suggested in the report that "all our denominational colleges should require the same qualifications for membership in the freshman class."

Muskingum College.—There are 13 professors and instructors. Total number of students, 208. The preparatory department contains 73, the collegiate, 83, and other departments, 52. The present senior class numbers 12. Two of these expect to enter the ministry. The Christian organizations are, Y. M. C. A., Y. W. C. A., Missionary Society, and Students' Volunteer Band. Ninety-four per cent. of the students are professing Christians. The spiritual condition of the college is indicated by "good attendance and interest in prayer and conference meetings, also an increasing interest in the study of the Bible." Present endowment, \$36,500. There has been no increase to the endowment fund during the year.

Tarkio College.—The faculty consists of 9 professors and 7 instructors. Number of students, 215. The classification is as follows: Preparatory, 80; collegiate, 73; other departments, 112. The present senior class numbers 15—8 males and 7 females. Of the young men, one, possibly four, will enter the ministry. The Students' Christian Association and the Young Women's Christian Association constitute the Christian organizations of the college. Eighty-nine per cent. of the college students, ninety-three per cent. of the preparatory, and one hundred per cent. of the music, are professing Christians. Present endowment, \$60,000. Amount expended in buildings, apparatus, etc., \$150.

Westminster College.—There are 10 professors and 247 students. Classification: Preparatory, 57; collegiate, 134; other departments, 56. The senior class numbers 23—11 males and 12 females. Two of the young men expect to enter the ministry. The Christian organizations—the Y. M. C. A. and the Y. W. C. A.—are reported as "giving favorable indica-

tions respecting the spiritual condition of the college." Present endowment, \$100,000. Increase during the year, \$190. Expenditures for buildings, apparatus, etc., \$101.

#### ACADEMIES.

Marissa, Ill.—Principal, H. W. Speer; assistant, Miss Marie Coulter. Thirty-eight students have been in attendance, 16 males and 22 females. The students are classified as follows: Seniors, 4; juniors, 6; freshmen, 13; irregular, 7; art, 8. The property is valued at \$2,500 dollars, and is vested in a board of trustees, as required by the General Assembly. The academy has been in operation eleven years, and has prepared a large number of students for entering the higher classes in our colleges. The presbytery asked for an appropriation of \$200. One hundred and fifty dollars were granted by the Board.

Pawnee City, Neb.—The Rev. R. T. Campbell continues as principal, and has associated with him in the faculty, the Misses Livonia Hunter, Jessie Hancock, Janette Stevenson and Antoinette Latson. The enrollment is 118, an increase of 12 over the preceding year. There are 59 males and 59 females. There are in the classical course, 21; English, 21; music, 18; irregular, 58. Twelve will graduate the present year. The property is valued at \$25,000, and is vested in a board of ten trustees, who are chosen as required by the General Assembly. The academy has been in operation twelve years, and recently has been graduating a number of students who have or will enter some of our colleges. The presbytery asked an appropriation of \$300. The Board made a grant of \$200.

Waitsburg, Wash.—The faculty consists of the Rev. J. A. Keener, principal, and R. M. Horner, V. L. Wilson and Mrs. Belle Howard, instructors. The number of students in attendance is 79, 46 males and 33 females. Preparatory department, 12; business, 12; classical, 55. There are four in the present senior class. Estimated value of property, \$16,000. Presbytery and synod asked for an appropriation of \$500. The finances of the Board would only justify the payment of \$300.

### III. FINANCES.

The statement of the treasurer, properly audited, is herewith submitted to the Assembly. Sixty presbyteries have made contributions to the educational fund. The amount received from the Church is as follows:

Presbyteries.....	\$9,789 01
Women's General Missionary Society.....	24 00
O. Y. P. C. U.....	22 00
Donations.....	37 00
Total.....	<u>\$9,872 01</u>

The above shows a decrease of more than \$1,800, as compared with the amount received from the same sources during the preceding year. The last Assembly made an appropriation of twenty-seven cents per member. The presbyteries have responded as follows: Five presbyteries contributed one cent per member; twelve, two cents; three, three cents; three, four cents; six, five cents; three, six cents; five, seven cents; three, eight cents; four, nine cents; two, ten cents; one, eleven cents; four, twelve cents; four, thirteen cents; one, fourteen cents; one, sixteen cents; one, seventeen cents; one, eighteen cents; and the most liberal—Cedar Rapids—twenty-one cents.

Synod of New York.....	\$1,208 06—	6 cents per member.
Synod of Pittsburgh.....	2,313 30—10	“ “ “
First Synod.....	2,436 97—11	“ “ “
Synod of Ohio.....	995 24—9	“ “ “
Second Synod.....	515 58—5	“ “ “
Synod of Illinois.....	966 40—10	“ “ “
Synod of Iowa.....	876 06—9	“ “ “
Synod of Kansas.....	198 55—4	“ “ “
Synod of Nebraska.....	170 07—4	“ “ “
Synod of California.....	73 78—4	“ “ “
Synod of the Columbia.....	35 00—2	“ “ “

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\$9,789 01

Donations etc. . . . . 83 00                      \$9,872 01

RECEIPTS.

From presbyteries.....	\$ 9,789 01
From interest.....	1,421 26
From beneficiaries.....	234 00
From Women's Missionary Society.....	24 00
From O. Y. P. C. U.....	22 00
From donations.....	37 00
From legacy.....	96 74
From bills receivable.....	1,400 00
From bills payable.....	1,000 00
From overdrafts.....	181 78
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	\$14,205 79

EXPENDITURES.

Paid beneficiaries.....	\$ 4,226 00
Paid bills payable (temporary loan).....	2,000 00
Paid bills receivable.....	750 00
Paid salary (corresponding secretary).....	150 00
Paid current expenses.....	246 93
Paid overdraft.....	113 94
Paid theological seminaries.....	1,856 30
Paid colleges.....	4,212 62
Paid academies.....	650 00
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	\$14,205 79

Permanent investments.....\$24,290 00

IV. THE BOARD.

It is recommended that at least \$20,000 be appropriated to the special fund for seminaries and colleges. The Board asks an appropriation of \$10,000 for the beneficiary fund.

The term of office of Rev. T. G. Morrow, Hugh Nash, and W. P. Schall expires with this Assembly. There is also a vacancy occasioned by the removal of G. M. Evans.

By order of the Board,

R. Graham, President.  
A. Renwick, Secretary.  
W. T. Campbell, Cor. Sec.

Monmouth, Ills., May 22, 1897.

## REPORT OF THE BOARD OF MINISTERIAL RELIEF.

The members of the Board of Ministerial Relief submit their twenty-fourth annual report to the General Assembly with devout thanksgiving to the Head of the Church for his providential care of the important interests entrusted to their management. They are thankful, also, for the increasing opportunities of affording relief to those who, in the providence of God, are compelled to seek the deserved assistance of the Church. During the past year, seventy persons have shared the benefactions of the Board, an increase of seven over the preceding year.

Although an appropriation of \$10,000 was asked and granted by the last General Assembly, the total receipts from presbyteries during the year have been only \$4,077.30, while the amount paid to beneficiaries was \$11,195. Two presbyteries have contributed nothing to the funds of the board during the past year—five have given less than \$10, eleven less than \$25, and eighteen less than \$50. These figures reveal the painful disproportion between the claims and needs of this work, and the contributions of the Church. Surely if the people of Christ have the mind of their Master, the powerful appeal, which the benevolent work done by the Board presents, will meet with a more liberal and adequate response.

The founders of this Board, who have ceased from their labors and entered into their rest, showed great wisdom and foresight in establishing a permanent fund, whose revenues enable the present members to meet the demands of the present time.

The Board respectfully asks for an appropriation of \$8,000 for the work of the coming year. This is \$2,000 less than was asked last year, and the reduction is made, not because the needs of the Board are less, but in the hope that the modesty of the request may stimulate the liberality of the Church.

Rev. John Teas, D. D., president of the Board, resigned during the year. Rev. James Price was elected a member, and Rev. W. J. B. Edgar, president. The term of office of Rev. J. H. Webster and of Messrs. James Walker and John C. McLaughlin, expires at this meeting of the Assembly.

The report of the treasurer, whose accounts, vouchers and securities have been audited, examined and found correct, is as follows:

### RECEIPTS.

Balance April 30, 1896.....	\$ 4,249 04
From Presbyteries.....	4,077 30
"    Individuals.....	497 00
"    Legacies.....	1,000 00
"    Beneficiaries.....	281 50
Interest from Endowment Fund.....	6,172 24
Matured Mortgages.....	12,050 00
<b>Total Receipts.....</b>	<b>\$28,327 08</b>

### PAYMENTS.

Beneficiaries.....	\$11,195 00
Investments.....	12,250 00
Printing, Stationery, Postage.....	19 02
Treasurer's Salary.....	150 00
Contingent Expenses.....	144 00
<b>Total Payments.....</b>	<b>\$23,758 02</b>

Balance April 30, 1897.....\$ 4,569 06  
The Endowment Fund is now \$104,350.

W. J. B. Edgar, President.  
James D. Ferguson, Secretary.  
James Walker, Treasurer.

## REPORT OF THE WOMEN'S BOARD.

The Board of Directors of the Women's General Missionary Society respectfully presents the report of the year's work, ending April, 1897.

### THE GENERAL MISSIONARY SOCIETY.

The Fourteenth Annual Convention of the Women's General Missionary Society met in Indianola, Iowa, May 11, 1897; President, Mrs. J. G. Kennedy; Recording Secretary, Mrs. Mary W. Porter. The work of the year presented in the reports of the department secretaries was approved, and the plans proposed for enlarged work indorsed. Invitations were extended to entertain the next Annual Convention, by the Ladies' Missionary Society, of Cleveland, O., of New Castle, Pa., and of Allegheny, Pa. The first of these invitations was accepted, and the following ladies elected officers of the General Missionary Society for the ensuing year: Mrs. Mila Meek, Sandusky, Ind., President; Mrs. Albert Gordon, Burlington, Ia., first Vice-President; Mrs. H. C. Swearingen, Allegheny, Pa., second Vice-President; Mrs. Mary W. Porter, Recording Secretary; Miss E. J. Sloan, Treasurer.

### BOARD.

The members of the Board are: Mrs. J. A. Grier, Mrs. Mary W. Porter, Miss E. D. Brown, Mrs. E. J. McPherson and Mrs. G. W. MacDonald, whose term of office expires in 1898; Mrs. Mary B. Reid, C. Jane Vincent, M. D., Miss E. J. Sloan, Mrs. N. Wylie Stevenson and Mrs. M. M. Patterson, whose term expires in 1899; Mrs. Annie R. Herron, Mrs. H. C. Campbell, Mrs. Mary C. Porter, Mrs. M. J. Stevenson and Mrs. Jos. Kyle, whose term expires in 1900.

### FOREIGN WORK.

In reviewing the work of the past year in this department, we are pleased to report a year of progress and blessing. Though there have been some hindrances both in the home and foreign fields, yet for the most part every plan and expectation has been carried out. God has been very merciful and gracious in all of his dealings, both toward the work and the workers, and while our missionaries have been in the midst of the pestilence and some have been prostrated with sore sickness, life and health have been wonderfully preserved.

**New Missionaries.**—In answer to an urgent call for more workers, five new missionary women were sent out last autumn. Miss Cora B. Dickey, Dr. Anna B. Watson and Dr. Caroline C. Lawrence received appointment to Egypt, and Miss Josephine Martin and Miss Kate A. Hill to India. Miss Emma D. Anderson, so well known throughout the Church, was also returned to her former field after a three years' stay in the home land.

The work of the past year has been the payment of the salaries of 32 missionary women, the support of the medical work in India, the sending of two physicians to Egypt, and a considerable support of schools and zenana work in both foreign fields.

**Medical Work.**—The hospital at Jhelum, which had to be largely rebuilt after a destructive flood more than two years since, was formally opened just about a year ago. In connection with this hospital and two dispensaries, one located at Bhera, 24,412 patients were treated during the past year. In the Memorial Hospital and dispensary located at Sialkot, 12,188 patients were treated, and we think there is not one of these thousands who came for relief from some bodily ailment who did not also receive some message of truth concerning him who came to earth as the Saviour of sinners. The two physicians who went to Egypt last autumn are as yet

largely employed in the study of the language, still they are in a measure exercising their art of healing, and coming in touch with the secluded women of Tanta and Benha.

Work for the Coming Year.—As there is an ever increasing demand for more workers, it is possible that two or three new missionaries may be sent out this year, but with what there is already on hand, it is not the policy of the Women's Board to largely increase the expenses in the foreign department until there are brighter financial prospects in this country.

#### HOME MISSION AND MINISTERIAL RELIEF.

Nine workers in the home field have been supported by our Board during the past year, located as follows: Rev. J. A. Speer at Warm Springs Indian Agency, and Rev. J. W. Morrow at Simnasho, Oregon. Mr. Speer reports a membership of 133 at the agency church. A small chapel for use of Piute Indians has been erected at a cost of \$350. The other seven are women who have worked under the care of sessions in Oakland, Alameda and San Jose, Cal.; Spokane, Wash.; Moline, Ill., and two in Chicago. Applications are pending which will probably increase the number very shortly. Reports of work accomplished are very encouraging.

Amount expended for Home Missions, \$4,746.50; for Indian Work, \$2,947.19; for Ministerial Relief, \$652.04.

#### FREEDMEN'S WORK.

Sixteen industrial teachers and matrons of homes have been supported this year, viz.: six at Knoxville, Tenn., two each at Chase City, Va., and Prairie, Ala., one each at Norfolk and Bluestone, Va., Henderson, N. C., Miller's Ferry and Summerfield, Ala., and Athens, Tenn.

Five little girls have been supported in the Little Girls' Home at Knoxville. The Board is much encouraged with the result of the first year's work in the Agricultural Department. Two hundred and twenty-four acres of the farm were cultivated, part of which was rented for one-half share of the crop, and part for money rent. After all expenses were paid, a balance of \$800 was left, which is more than will be required to meet the running expenses this year. Two hundred and sixty-seven acres are being cultivated this year—193 acres rented to seven different parties for one-half share of the crop, and 83½ for money rent, to four different parties. Our superintendent prefers renting on the shares, as he can in a measure control the character of the crops, and give more thorough instructions as to the best methods of farming. A new house is required this spring. These houses are not expensive, but by providing homes with two or more apartments in them, each home becomes an object lesson in right living.

Though this department closed last year with an indebtedness resting against it, and felt that it must go slow this year, yet when the Freedmen's Board came with an urgent request that we undertake the erection of a school building and teachers' home at Camden, Ala., telling of the importance of this new station, and how it was crippled because of no buildings, and that their depleted treasury would not permit them to do aggressive work, the Board resolved to undertake this work. A tract of some 39 acres of land adjoining the borough of Camden was purchased at a cost of \$10 an acre, and a school building and teachers' home, at an outlay of \$3,566.14, will be completed early in July.

#### CHURCH EXTENSION AND PARSONAGE WORK.

The whole amount of money loaned to congregations this year from the parsonage fund is \$3,500, and \$300 for Church Extension loan. Five congregations have secured loans for parsonages, and one on a church building. Coulterville, Ill., \$500 for five years; Liberty, Neb., \$500 for five

years; Sunnysdale, Kans., \$500 for five years; Goldfield, Iowa, \$1,200 for ten years; Newton, Kans., \$800 for eight years; Canton, O., \$300 for one year, on a house of worship. One congregation was granted a loan of \$1,950, but afterward asked that the money be held for a time. This congregation has since decided not to build a parsonage for the present.

#### JUNIOR MISSIONARY WORK.

We have reached a mile-stone in our history, which points us to five years of organized work under our new title of Junior Missionary Society. The wisdom of adopting this plan of organization is demonstrated in the fact that our societies have more than doubled in numbers during the past five years—this, too, notwithstanding many of our bands were reorganized as Junior Christian Endeavors or Christian Unions. The reports of the past year give evidence that this department of work is in a prosperous condition. Forty-two new societies have been reported, with 1,844 new members. Forty-eight presbyterials reported, which is an increase over last year. Other encouraging items will be found in the summary below: Number of societies, 222; number of new societies, 42; number of members, 6,642; number of new members, 1,844; number of Little Light Bearers, 524; number of honorary members, 264; contributions, \$4,231.22.

We recommend, as the special work for the coming year, the purchase of one hundred acres of land at Prairie, Ala. This will be leased to different parties for one-half share on the crop, the number of acres to one person ranging from seven to twenty-seven. The price is \$8 per acre. If every Junior society in the Church would purchase one acre, it would enable us to pay for nearly the entire farm of 640 acres.

#### LITERATURE DEPARTMENT.

"Every woman in every society a reader of missionary literature" is the aim of the literature department of the Women's General Missionary Society. A steady progress in that direction is the encouraging report we have to make for the year just closed. Receipts, \$181.17; expenditures, \$143.02; free distribution, \$19.83.

#### THANK OFFERING.

Unusual interest has been manifested throughout the entire twelve months in the Tenth Thank-offering to be presented at Indianola, Iowa, in May. Orders for boxes and literature began early in the year, and increased from month to month, until during February and March the demand was so great as to require extra help in the work. The enthusiasm existing among the Juniors over their new boxes promises a rich harvest of liberal givers for the Church of the future. During the year 10,000 Thank-offering services were sold. The free distribution was as follows: 16,700 Senior Thank-offering boxes, 3,400 Junior boxes (in two months), 3,700 Junior letters, 15,000 leaflets, 18,575 Thank-offering envelopes.

#### MAGAZINE.

"The Women's Missionary Magazine of the United Presbyterian Church, devoted to missions at home and abroad, under the editorial management of a committee of the General Missionary Society. Price 60 cents a year." Thus reads the title-page of the magazine, started by direction of the General Missionary Society which met in Monmouth, Ill., May, 1887, ten years ago. Compared with age, size and growth of the publications of large and wealthy denominations, our magazine shows a far greater constituency than they—not as though we had already attained or were already perfect. It sends out more than five thousand copies each month, and we are very thankful that, despite the great financial depression which has



lowered the list of so many periodicals and plunged them in debt, the magazine is slowly and steadily increasing its list. It has correspondents in England, Italy and Mexico, besides the regular foreign budget from our missions in India and Egypt, letters from the Warm Springs Indians, and from Freedmen and city missionaries in our own home land. The magazine makes no superior claim for itself, but it does make tremendous claims for the cause represented by its watchword, "Thy kingdom come"—our missionary triangle. It seeks to hasten the time when "The wilderness and the solitary place shall be glad for them, and the desert shall rejoice and blossom as the rose."

#### TRAINING SCHOOL.

The Xenia Training School for Christian Workers has recently completed the second year of its existence, its term having extended throughout the regular session of the theological seminary, in connection with which its meetings have been held. The course of study is under the charge of the faculty of the seminary. Eight pupils have been enrolled as regular members. These have all come from other places, but a number of the residents of Xenia have been occasionally present at the sessions. Pupils had the opportunity of attending the entire course of regular lectures in the seminary. In addition, the members of the faculty have given special instructions to the Training School pupils on such topics as were deemed of importance for their particular work. They have also been addressed by the Misses Wilson, of the India Mission, who themselves have, since January, 1897, been members of the Training School; by Rev. G. W. Morrison, lately returned from India; by Rev. J. Kruidenier, of the Egyptian field, and several United Presbyterian physicians of Xenia, who have given instruction in certain medical branches. One of our pupils, Miss Martha E. Thompson, has been appointed to a position as city missionary in Chicago, in connection with our Church. Mrs. R. S. Finley (Xenia, Ohio), is the secretary of the Xenia Training School Committee.

Allegheny Training School.—Owing to the crowded condition of the seminary, and the special wants and possibilities of our Church in this section, the faculty of the seminary determined to pursue a new plan in conducting this Training School for Christian Workers. It was to compress into a comparatively brief time a very large amount of special instruction adapted to the end in view, offering this in addition to the regular class work of the seminary open during the entire year. This school continued through three weeks. Its work consisted in lectures by the faculty and some of the local ministers. Rev. H. H. Bell, of the Synod of Illinois, gave thirteen addresses upon practical topics. The attendance was large, and increased until the close. Two persons have been in attendance the greater part of the year.

#### MEMBERSHIP.

Statistical reports have been received from sixty-two presbyterial societies, and from seven presbyteries where there are no organized presbyterial associations. These reports show the number of societies to be 1,020, representing over 23,000 members.

## TREASURER'S REPORT.

	BALANCES, APRIL 16th, 1896.		Receipts.	Disburse- ments.	BALANCES, APRIL 16th, 1897.	
	DR.	CR.			DR.	CR.
Foreign Missions, General.....		\$15,635 63	\$10,961 60	\$14,517 04		\$12,080 19
"    "    Special.....		433 35	2,317 03	2,486 86		263 52
"    "    Salaries.....		3,118 39	10,212 59	10,895 00		2,435 98
Home Missions, General.....		16,174 82	7,199 15	4,746 50		18,627 47
"    "    Warm Spring						
Indians.....		2,162 69	2,071 27	2,947 19		1,286 77
Freedmen's Missions, General.....	\$ 4,165 86		7,713 54	9,859 36	\$ 6,311 68	
"    "    Little Girls'						
Home, Tenn.....		68 28	268 50	294 50		42 28
Church Extension and Parsonage		1,725 30	8,075 16	3,825 00		5,975 46
"    "    Special.....	53 00		611 15	494 25		58 90
Ministerial Relief Work.....		793 85	484 57	652 04		626 38
Orphans' Home, Allegheny.....			370 29	370 29		
Memorial Hospital, Allegheny.....			703 39	703 39		
Aged People's Home, Wilk'sb'g.....			499 80	499 80		
Contingent Fund.....		481 96	2,058 29	2,715 59		824 66
Life Membership.....		1,165 00	100 00			1,265 00
Legacies.....		150 00				150 00
Investments.....	27,994 13		8,050 00	6,900 00	26,844 13	
Funds held in Trust.....		1,000 00				1,000 00
Totals.....	\$32,517 99	\$42,909 27	\$61,696 33	\$60,906 81	\$33,155 81	\$44,636 61

\*A considerable part of this consists of assets of which interest only can be used.

Annie R. Herron, President.  
Mary W. Porter, Secretary.

## REPORT OF THE PERMANENT COMMITTEE ON NARRATIVE AND STATE OF RELIGION.

The Committee on Narrative and State of Religion respectfully submit their report, conscious how difficult it is to make any report which shall exactly correspond with the facts and fully represent them. We cannot get along without figures, and yet there is often much in a Church that figures very inadequately express. Returns have reached us, more or less full, from fifty-five presbyteries. These reports, with the valuable assistance of the Second Clerk, help us to an approximation of what is desired in the appointment of the committee.

Fully aware of our shortcomings, with studied brevity we lay before you a part of the information and impressions that have come to us from the widely scattered workers, hoping that the Church may be at once encouraged and admonished by the review.

### NARRATIVE.

Membership.—The total membership reported is 123,541, a net increase during the year of 2,688. There have been received on profession of faith 7,811, or 212 less than last year. The net increase in America was 2,156, being 90 more than last year. Out of eleven synods, five report a net gain of less than one per cent., and two synods report a net gain of less than

two per cent. Except in the Synods of Nebraska and Columbia, the per cent. received on profession does not vary greatly over the whole Church, ranging from about six to eight per cent. The removals in America exceed the number received on profession by 1,490, and exceed the number received on certificate by 3,169. The Synods of Kansas, Nebraska, California and Columbia have the largest per cent. of removals, and these synods have also the largest per cent. of accessions by certificate, which may account in part for the large number of removals.

Congregations.—There are 950, an increase of two; and 801 pastoral charges, the same number as last year. Thirteen congregations have been organized, being four less than last year; nine have been dissolved, as against 13 last year. There are 709 congregations with pastors and stated supply, an increase of 13; 241 are vacant, a decrease of 11. There are 311 mission stations; 287 of these are in the foreign field; 15 stations were established during the year. There have been erected 18 houses of worship, 7 less than last year, costing \$128,206, an average of \$7,123. Forty-one congregations have no house of worship, two more than last year. Fourteen parsonages have been built, one less than last year, costing \$14,710; an average of \$1,051.

Sabbath-schools.—There are 1,148, an increase of 25; of these, 1,119 are open the whole year, a gain of 28, leaving only 29 that are open but a part of the year. The number of scholars is 111,361, an increase of 3,818. There are 11,882 officers and teachers, an increase of 266, making the membership of the schools only 298 less than the membership of the Church. The contributions of the schools were \$85,568, an increase of \$658.

Missionary Societies.—The missionary societies number 933, an increase during the year of 12—nearly one society for every congregation.

Young People's Societies.—There are 990, with a membership of 40,528; an increase of 185 societies, and 5,382 members.

Contributions.—For salaries of ministers, \$588,525, an increase of \$1,577; for congregational purposes, \$423,242, a decrease of \$49,806; for the Boards of the Church, \$240,245, a decrease of \$15,121; for general purposes, \$125,113, an increase of \$22,377; total contributions, \$1,394,138, a decrease of \$23,960. Of this amount, \$17,013 was contributed by the foreign field. The average salary of pastors is \$1,056, an increase of \$2 over last year. The average per member for the Church in America is \$12.51, as against \$13.13 last year. The number of congregations contributing to any one fund is 795, an increase of 23; only 371 contributed to all the funds, a decrease of 15 from the number last year; 47 congregations did not contribute to any of the funds, a decrease of 9; and we may safely add to this number the 38 that did not report.

The Ministry.—There are 892 ministers, an increase of 17; of these 624 are pastors and stated supplies, 13 of an increase, and 268 are without charge; 19 died during the year; 10 were received; 4 were dismissed; 31 were ordained, and 55 students were licensed. There are 89 licentiates, and 101 students of theology.

The mortality in the ministerial ranks has been large, but only a few of those removed were in active service. Their loss is felt by the Church, by the people among whom they so faithfully ministered; and keenly and deeply felt by their families and friends. But the work goes on; the Master is calling others to enter the field and carry forward the work they inaugurated or advanced.

#### MEMORIAL RECORD.

James Brown, D. D., of Kansas City Presbytery, was born Oct. 31, 1812, in Alyth, Perthshire, Scotland; came with his parents, in 1821, to Xenia, Ohio; was graduated at Hanover College, Indiana, in 1835;

studied theology at Canonsburg; was licensed June 26, 1839, by Indiana Presbytery; ordained by Chartiers Presbytery, Sept. 10, 1840; pastor of Peter's Creek, Sept. 10, 1840-Dec. 5, 1843; of Madison and connections, Indiana, May, 1844; released from Mt. Pleasant and Vernon, May, 1848, and from Madison, Nov. 1855; pastor at Keokuk, Iowa, April, 1856-June 24, 1873; stated supply at Keokuk, 1874-1875; installed at Columbus City, Iowa, July 1876, where he labored seven years as pastor. He was elected moderator of his synod, and was moderator of the General Assembly in 1876. Publications: Farewell Discourse at Madison; The Sure Refuge; A Sermon; The Injustice of American Slavery. He was twice married. He died, without charge, March 15, 1897, at Holton, Kansas, of grip, in the 85th year of his age.

James Law Buel, of Los Angeles Presbytery, was born May 12, 1815, at Massie's Creek, near Xenia, Ohio; was graduated at Miami University, in 1842; studied theology at Canonsburg; licensed by Miami Presbytery, July 1, 1846; ordained by the same, July 8, 1847; was stated supply for one year in Michigan; installed pastor of Kenton and Iberia in 1848; resigned Iberia in 1853, and Kenton after the Union of 1858, so that the two congregations there might unite; pastor, Tranquility, Iowa, from 1864-1868; missionated ten years; in 1878 became principal of Traer Academy, Iowa, and held this position for several years. Since about 1894 he has made his home in Los Angeles, Cal., where he died of pneumonia, Jan. 28, 1897, in the 82d year of his age. He leaves a wife and two daughters.

John Clement, of Gurdaspur Presbytery, India, came originally from Agra. He was an orphan in the school at that place. He was afterward employed by the Lodiana Mission (Presbyterian), as a catechist, and came from that mission to ours about 1863. At first he worked under Dr. J. S. Barr in caring for orphan boys. For many years he was a ruling elder in Gurdaspur congregation, and labored for many years as a native helper and licentiate in Gurdaspur District, and was always found faithful. He studied at the Training School, Sialkot, and studied theology at the United Presbyterian Theological Seminary, Sialkot, India. He was ordained to the ministry, April 23, 1886, by Sialkot Presbytery. He was never installed pastor of a congregation, but acted as pastor for several years at Gurdaspur. He died at the residence of his son-in-law, who is connected with the Scottish mission, at Gujrat, India, August 10, 1896. Dr. J. S. Barr testifies of him thus: "He was a quiet, unassuming man; a faithful and interesting preacher, and his Christian character and work will not soon be forgotten in India."

David Donnan, of Lake Presbytery, son of David and Mary (McKerlie) Donnan, was born at Princeton, Schenectady co., New York, July 7, 1822; he made a profession of his faith in Florida congregation, Albany Presbytery; was graduated at Union College, Schenectady, N. Y., 1845; was principal of Johnstown Academy, N. Y., one year, 1846-1847; studied theology at Canonsburg three terms; was licensed and ordained the same day, June 20, 1850, by Albany Presbytery, and sent as a missionary to Michigan, where he labored for one year; was pastor in Newark, N. J., from December, 1851, to September 24, 1862; supply at Greenfield, Cleveland and Oil City, 1862-1866; Cochranon and Powers, April, 1866, resigning the former April 8, 1890, and the latter April 11, 1893; was married June 27, 1855, to Essemiah Kelly Williamson, of Xenia, Ohio, and had three sons and three daughters. His wife and two daughters survive him. He died, without charge, at Cochranon, Pa., Dec. 30, 1896, of general debility, aged 74 years.

Alexander Harry Elder, of Cleveland Presbytery, was born Nov. 12, 1835, at Pleasant Unity, Westmoreland co., Pa.; was graduated from Westminster College in 1859; studied theology at Allegheny; was licensed April 9, 1862, by Westmoreland Presbytery, and by the same presbytery ordained and installed pastor of McKeesport, July 7, 1863-Sept., 1875; pastor of New Lisbon, O., from Jan. 30, 1877, to April 11, 1882; stated supply

of the Second church, Cleveland, from 1883 to 1886, and since 1887 has been pastor of the same. He was a member of the Board of Trustees of Westminster College from 1891-1896. Publications: *The Coming Man*, A Lecture. He was married to Mima R. Scroggs, May 31, 1864, who died Jan. 19, 1895. Two daughters survive him. He died of consumption at Cleveland, O., Feb. 19, 1897.

James McFarland Fulton, D. D., of Allegheny Presbytery, son of Chas. and Jane (Brown) Fulton, was born Aug. 31, 1849, near Key, Belmont co., Ohio; made a profession of his faith in Belmont congregation, Wheeling Presbytery, Ohio; was graduated at Westminster College in 1872; studied theology at Allegheny three terms, and graduated in 1877; was licensed, May 3, 1876, by the Lake Presbytery, and ordained May 1, 1877, by Allegheny, and installed as pastor of the Fourth church, Allegheny City, Pa., where he remained until Dec. 31, 1890, when he retired from the active work of the pastorate because of ill health; was pastor-emeritus of the same, from Jan. 1, 1891, until Jan. 1, 1893. He was a member of the Assembly's Permanent Committee on Sabbath-schools, from May, 1878, to May, 1881; member of the Board of Church Extension from May, 1879, until May, 1888; member of the Quarter-Centennial Commission; trustee of Westminster College from 1888 to 1892; member of Board of Directors of Allegheny Theological Seminary, 1889-1892; moderator of First Synod of the West in 1887; was the founder of the United Presbyterian Women's Association, establishing an Orphans' Home in Allegheny, on Jan. 1, 1879; was instrumental in organizing the Women's General Missionary Society; had much to do with the foundation of Our Young People's Christian Union, the first General Convention being suggested by him, and held in his church, April 30, 1889; was chairman for a time of the General Committee on Young People's Work, and its first general secretary. In Sept., 1891, he became principal of the Normal Institute, at Henderson, N. C., under the care of the Board of Freedmen's Missions, and continued in that position for two full school years, when his increasing weakness prompted his resignation. He began to write "Talks to Our Young People," in the Christian Union Herald, Jan. 1, 1892, and continued these through the greater parts of 1892 and 1893. At the beginning of 1894 he began to write the entire first page, and continued to do this until the week before his death, with but two or three exceptions. He edited Dr. James Rodgers' "Lectures on Pilgrim's Progress." The degree of D. D. was conferred by Hanover College, Hanover, Indiana, in 1885. He was married Nov. 26, 1878, to Mary Hay Shafer, of New Wilmington, Pa., who died March 2, 1885. His two sons survive him. He died, without charge, near Key, Belmont co., Ohio, Nov. 24, 1896, of pulmonary tuberculosis.

Quincy Adams Hamill, of Conemaugh Presbytery, son of William Trimble and Mary Ann (Ray) Hamill, was born Nov. 21, 1864, in White township, Indiana co., Pa.; made a profession of his faith in First Indiana congregation, Feb. 12, 1881; was graduated at Westminster College, in 1892; studied theology three terms at Allegheny, graduating in 1895; was licensed April 11, 1894, by Conemaugh Presbytery; ordained and installed as pastor of Jacksonville and Conemaugh congregations, by the same presbytery, June 26, 1895; was pastor of these congregations until his death, but never preached in either as pastor; was taken ill with laryngitis a few days after ordination, and was never afterwards able for any service. He had been, apparently, a healthy young man, and gave bright promise of usefulness in the ministry. He died at the home of his parents, White Tp., near Indiana, Pa., Oct. 3, 1896, of a form of consumption, originating in hemorrhage of the throat.

Andrew McCartney, of Des Moines Presbytery, was born August 25, 1823, in County Antrim, Ireland; graduated at Franklin College in 1852; studied theology at Canonsburg and Xenia; was licensed June 17, 1857, by the Associate Presbytery of Muskingum; was ordained Dec. 8, 1858, by

the Presbytery of Mansfield; was pastor of Dakton, O., from Dec. 8, 1858, to May, 1861; stated supply at Topeka, Valley Falls, and other places in Kansas, from 1861 to 1866; installed pastor of Lacona and Indianola, Iowa, March, 1866; released from the former in June, 1868, and from the latter in 1871; after supplying different stations for several years, he was again pastor at Lacona, from May, 1879, to April 11, 1883. Since the close of this pastorate he has not taken an active part in ministerial work. He died Feb. 14, 1897, at his residence, Indianola, Iowa, of pneumonia, in the 74th year of his age.

Joseph McKee, of Los Angeles Presbytery, was born Nov. 27, 1811, near Mt. Pleasant, Jefferson co., Ohio; was graduated at Franklin College in 1832; studied theology four terms at Canonsburg; was licensed in June, 1836, by the Associate Presbytery of Muskingum, and ordained by the same, Sept., 1837, and installed pastor of Wooster and Dalton, Ohio; was released from Wooster in 1841, and from Dakton in 1849; was appointed by the Associate Synod in 1850 to go as a missionary to Oregon with Rev. James P. Miller, but the funds being insufficient for both, he did not go; was pastor of West Hebron, N. Y., from March 20, 1851, to July 1, 1857; stated supply at Duncannon, Tuscarora and Concord, Pa., 1857-April, 1864; pastor of Nebraska City and connections, Neb., 1869-April 26, 1872; his health having failed, he removed to Los Angeles, Cal., where he lived without charge, but acted for several years as a teacher in the Chinese mission school. He was one of the original members of Los Angeles Presbytery. He was married Nov. 20, 1839, to Sarah E. Crocker, of Cadiz, Ohio. His death, April 11, 1896, at Los Angeles, was the result of an injury from a trolley car two days before. His wife, with three of his five daughters, survives him.

James Carlisle McKnight, of Pittsburg Presbytery, son of James and Lucinda (Adams) McKnight, was born Sept. 24, 1826, near Cochranon, Crawford co., Pa.; at an early age he made a profession of his faith in the Associate Reformed church, at Cochranon, Pa.; was graduated at Allegheny College, Meadville, Pa., in 1850; studied theology at Allegheny four terms; was licensed May 19, 1852, by Lake Presbytery; ordained June 10, 1856, by the Second Presbytery of Illinois, and was installed as pastor of Spring Grove, Ill., June, 1856-March, 1860; was stated supply in different places in the west from 1860-70. In 1870 he moved to Chetopa, and continued in missionary work for several years in the bounds of Garnett Presbytery. He was married March 18, 1856, to Ellen Ralston, of Martin's Ferry, Ohio. He had seven sons and two daughters. His wife, with one daughter and four sons, survives him. He died, without charge, at his home in Chetopa, Kansas, Jan. 15, 1897, after an illness of five days, of pneumonia.

Neal Kenneth MacLennan, of Boston Presbytery, son of Kenneth and Christine (Finlayson) MacLennan, was born at Middle River, Cape Breton, Nova Scotia, in the latter part of 1859, or early in 1860; made a profession of his faith at Middle River, C. B., Nova Scotia; studied at Sydney Academy and at Queen's College, Kingston, Ontario, Canada; studied theology for three terms at Auburn, New York; was licensed by the Presbyterian Presbytery of Cayuga, N. Y., April 18, 1895; ordained by the Presbytery of Boston, July 30, 1895; installed as pastor of First Boston, Mass., Oct. 22, 1895; was married Oct. 9, 1890, to Euphemia MacLean, East Lake, Ainslie, Cape Breton, who, with one son, survives him. He died June 25, 1896, at Concord, Mass., of consumption.

Iskaros Masaood was born in the spring of 1848 at Sahil Seleen, in the province of Asyut. He learned to read in the village school; attended the mission school at Asyut from its first establishment in the spring of 1865, and joined the theological class in March, 1867. A few months after this the government wished to compel him to give up the evangelical belief, but he would not yield.

although he was bastinadoed until the blood was seen to ooze from his shoes. He joined the church at Asyut in 1868. After ten years of literary and theological study (including two summer sessions at Ramle), he was licensed at Asyut March 26, 1875. He was ordained at Asyut, Oct. 17, 1879, and two days afterward installed over the congregation of Abnub. Afterwards Maassara became a part of his pastoral charge. He had but the one charge. Among the 20,000 victims that cholera claimed as its own during 1896, he was one. He died July 28, having preached as usual the previous Sabbath.

Thomas Proudfit Patterson, of Monmouth Presbytery, was born April 1, 1832, at New Concord, Ohio; graduated from Madison College, Antrim, Ohio, in 1859; studied theology at Allegheny; was licensed April 15, 1862, by Muskingum Presbytery; ordained Oct. 28, 1864, by Monmouth Presbytery; was pastor of Spring Grove, Ill., from Oct. 28, 1864, to Dec. 26, 1868; Laurel Hill, Westmoreland Presbytery, June 21, 1870, to Sept. 4, 1877; was installed pastor of Bethel and connections, Conemaugh Presbytery, June 5, 1879; was released from the connections June 13, 1888, and from Bethel, Dec. 11, 1889. He has lived in Monmouth since 1890, and frequently preached as supply for vacant congregations. Two daughters survive him. He died, without charge, at his home in Monmouth, Ill., Feb. 21, 1897, of la grippe, in the 65th year of his age.

John Florence Tate, of Keokuk Presbytery, son of Hugh and Mary (Torrence) Tate, was born near Xenia, Ohio, Nov. 5, 1820; he made a profession of his faith at about twenty years of age, in the Associate church, Xenia; was graduated at Franklin College, in 1846; studied theology at Canonsburg; was licensed June 18, 1850, by Miami Presbytery; was stated supply at Pittsburg, Ind., for one year, from the fall of 1850; was stated supply at Cedar Rapids, Iowa, Jan., 1853, to July, 1854; ordained Sept. 15, 1853, by Iowa Associate Presbytery; pastor of Pleasant Valley, Keokuk co., Iowa, 1854-1870; stated supply at Lake City, Minn., 1870-1875; recalled as pastor of Pleasant Valley congregation, 1875-1879; pastor of Westminster and West Chester congregations, 1879-1887. He was appointed a missionary to India in 1854, but the appointment was declined; was professor of Greek in Washington College, Iowa, 1857-1861. He wrote numerous articles for newspapers and periodicals. He was married, March 16, 1854, to Nancy Ann Miller, of Washington, Iowa, who, with two of his five sons and three daughters, survives him. He died, without charge, June 13, 1896, at Washington, Iowa, of cerebral hemorrhage.

James Lorimer Thompson, D. D., of Caledonia Presbytery, son of Alexander S. and Jane (Boots) Thompson, was born July 26, 1851, at Smithfield, Jefferson co., Ohio; made a profession of his faith in Piney Fork congregation, Sept. 12, 1868; was graduated at Franklin College, in 1874; pursued post-graduate studies at Wooster University; studied theology one term each, at Xenia, Allegheny and Newburgh; was licensed April 11, 1877, by Steubenville Presbytery; ordained and installed pastor at Whitinsville, Mass., June 11, 1878, by Boston Presbytery; released April 12, 1882; supplied in Leavenworth and Newton, Kansas, in 1883 and 1884; stated supply at Alpena, Mich., July, 1884, until May 30, 1886; pastor at Lyndon, N. Y., from June, 1887, till Jan., 1891; stated supply in Second church, Buffalo, N. Y., from Feb., 1891, until May, 18, 1893; pastor of Second church, Buffalo, N. Y., from May 18, 1893, until released, April 7, 1896. He wrote some "New England Letters" for the church papers in 1880-1882, and prepared and published a "History of Lyndon Congregation." The degree of D. D. was conferred by Franklin College, in 1895. He was married to Mary Parry, of Adena, Ohio, April 30, 1880. His wife, with three sons and two of his three daughters, survives him. He died, without charge, May 16, 1896, at Highlands, Col., of pulmonary tuberculosis.

George Watt Torrence, of Des Moines Presbytery, was born Jan 15, 1829, at Xenia, Ohio; was graduated at Franklin College, in 1853; studied

theology at Xenia; was licensed, August, 1857, by Miami Presbytery; ordained June 16, 1859, by Presbytery of Kansas; pastor at Americus, Kans., June, 1859-April, 1860; was stated supply for some time at Martinsburg, Ohio; missionary to the freedmen, 1863-4; a soldier in the civil war. 1864-5; pastor at Andrew and Bethel, Iowa, 1866-Oct. 22, 1873; Centerview, Mo., Oct. 11, 1874-August 22, 1876; East Union, Ohio, June 11, 1879-August 31, 1880; later, was pastor of North Branch and Paterson, Iowa. He was twice married. Three sons of his first wife survive him. In 1880 he was married to Martha Harrah, who, with three children, survives him. He died Dec. 27, 1896, at Winterset, Iowa, of softening of the brain.

John Dement Whitham, of Puget Sound Presbytery, son of Joseph Rider and Sarah (Dement) Whitham, was born in Ohio co., W. Va., March 22, 1815; made profession of his faith in the Presbyterian church, of Washington, Pa., March 1, 1835; studied theology three terms at Princeton, N. J.; was licensed May 25, 1840, by the Presbytery of Philadelphia (O. S. Presbyterian), and ordained Oct. 12, 1841, by the Presbytery of Washington, Pa. He had three pastorates in the Presbyterian Church. Because of his anti-slavery sentiments, in June, 1849, he joined the Free Presbyterian Church. On June 21, 1864, he joined the Mansfield Presbytery of the United Presbyterian Church, and, after supplying several churches, was pastor of Sugar Branch, Ford co., Ills., Oct. 2, 1867-April 15, 1874; pastor of Fairfax and Florence, Iowa, Sept. 2, 1874-1884, when, owing to poor health, he resigned this last charge. He continued preaching, as occasion offered and his health would permit, until within two years of his death. He married Christina Bane Gray, of Athens, Ohio, Nov. 2, 1841. She died August 2, 1843. One daughter was born to them. He was married again, to Caroline Farwell, of Keene, Ohio, Sept. 25, 1844, who, with four sons, survives him. Their two daughters died early in life. He died of old age, at Olympia, Wash., Jan 14, 1897, in the 82d year of his age.

James B. Whitten, of Beaver Valley Presbytery, son of John and Margaret Whitten, was born in Pittsburgh, Pa., June 18, 1831; made profession of his faith in the First Associate congregation of Pittsburgh, Pa.; was graduated at Washington College, Pa., in 1849; studied theology at Canonsburg, was licensed Nov. 3, 1852, by Allegheny Presbytery, and ordained Oct. 26, 1854, by Chartiers Presbytery; pastor at Peter's Creek, from Oct. 26, 1854, till June 17, 1856; pastor of West 44th street, New York City, April 14, 1857-Sept. 27, 1859; pastor of Plaingrove, Lawrence co., Pa., for half time, June 18, 1861-Nov. 26, 1872, and the other half as stated supply at Harlansburg until 1864, and then Neshannock; stated supply of Oak Grove, Pa., August, 1872-Oct., 1874; pastor of Seventh church, Philadelphia, Jan. 25, 1875-Sept. 13, 1882; pastor of Wurtemberg and Wampum, Sept. 13, 1882-Feb., 1885, and alone till Dec., 1885. He was married to Martha Herron Mitchell, of Pittsburgh, Oct. 12, 1858. His wife, with two of his five sons and two of his three daughters, survives him. He died, while stated supply at Slippery Rock, Butler Presbytery, April 8, 1896, of erysipelas.

Isaac Ambrose Wilson, of Omaha Presbytery, was born Feb. 24, 1832, in Concord, Franklin co., Pa.; was graduated at Franklin College, in 1858; studied theology at Allegheny; was licensed April 9, 1862, by Wheeling Presbytery; ordained July 5, 1866, by the Presbytery of Mansfield; pastor at North Bend, Neb., from May 1, 1867, to March, 1876; stated supply at Pana and then at Spring Creek, Ill., from 1878 to 1885; stated supply at Majors, Neb., from June 18, 1885, to June 26, 1889; removed to Kearney, Neb., in August, 1889, where he died, Feb. 5, 1897, of appendicitis aggravated by an attack of the grip, aged 64 years.

STATE OF RELIGION.

General.—In the review of the year we are led to the conclusion that the favor of God has rested upon our Church. Statistics dealing with family life, attendance upon ordinances, accessions to the membership,



missionary efforts, offerings, and such like, are important, but not the only, nor always the best, data on which to base our judgment. Enthusiasm is more than statistics; it is better than organization. To be able to read the signs of the times and know what Israel ought to do; to see the dangers of the age and give the needed warning; to have a true vision of God and man, of truth and duty; to quicken the thoughts and lives of others; to lift up the debased, by revealing to them God's Christ, is better than silver and gold; far better than numbers, or carefully compiled figures. The quality of an agent is far more than its size. The growth of the Church in numbers may come far short of our expectations; but our very disappointments may chasten us; our failures may instruct us, and our difficulties may summon forth latent powers of action.

The general tone of the reports received from all parts of the Church is substantially the same. The spirit of dissatisfaction with our work; the ability to detect real hindrances and shortcomings; the candor to confess and lament them, are indications of spiritual sensitiveness, and tell of the deeper spiritual hunger of the soul. In some cases we are touched with sadness as we weep with those who are mourning over fruitless toil, disappointed hopes, and prevalent coldness and barrenness; but we are cheered as we remember that our work is with the Lord.

In spite of many difficulties, the year has been one of progress. There is much for which to be grateful. The evidences of prosperity are varied and manifest. Spiritual growth manifests itself in a stronger faith, in holier lives, in more spiritual worship, in brotherly love, in deeper concern awakened in the Church's welfare; in enlarged efforts to reach those without; in greater readiness to work in the Lord's vineyard; in the larger offerings made by the people out of their comparative poverty; in the little revivings which so many congregations have shared; in the encouraging increase of the Church in numbers, and in the more consecrated and joyful lives of Christians. The people have loved the very stones of Zion. Ordinances have been maintained, new churches have been erected, old ones repaired, enlarged and beautified, and debts have been canceled. Many presbyteries report special visitations of divine grace. Large accessions have been made in many of our congregations, and not a few tell of quickened congregations, of a deepening of the divine life, and of a more complete consecration to Christ.

The increased activity and success of our women in so many departments of the Church's work; the young people's quickened appreciation of the needs of the Church, as well as their promptness to respond to them, are all signs that fill us with hope and expectation. It is not so much the work already done, though this is large and effective, as the influences they are exerting silently but surely on the whole work of the Church.

**The Family.**—The family is first in importance as well as first in time. The Church and the State are very largely what the families are. There can be no really vigorous national life unless the family life be pure and pious. As true religion ever tends to strengthen, purify, and elevate the home, so should the home foster religion. Parents should be anxious not only to feed, clothe and help their children for this life, but make the home a house of God, a center of attraction and holy influence. From the returns on hand, it is clear that the condition of the home is not as satisfactory as it ought to be. If we so much lament the absence of the youth from our Sabbath-schools, prayer-meetings, and other church services, it may not be amiss to suggest some "mission work" in the home. Piety at home is one of the pressing needs of the times. If the threatened curse is to be averted, the heart of the fathers should be turned to the children, "and the heart of the children to their fathers." There is something sadly wrong when Christian parents are failing to win their children to Christ. True, the Sabbath-school and the young people's societies may supplement the work of the home, but these can never be a substitute for it. It is a

melancholy satisfaction to know that this state of affairs is widely known by the watchman on the walls of Zion. Their dissatisfaction has not been of an indolent kind. Many tell us encouragingly of "pastoral letters"; of "special meetings in every congregation in the presbytery to consider and promote this matter"; of "conferences held on family religion"; of "a slight improvement," and some tell of "faithful preaching on the subject."

The Prayer-Meeting.—From the small average percentage reported as attending the mid-week prayer meeting, we infer that this "thermometer of the congregation" is too low. From many the word is, "it needs revival"; "the attendance does not show any improvement," and "the attendance is small." In a small number of presbyteries cottage prayer-meetings are reported as quite successful. In some places improvement is sought and found by enlisting a larger number to take part publicly, and by having them notified beforehand. Still, with the growing tendency to multiply societies, and to improve the praise part of worship by singing classes, it is an open question whether the seeming neglect in some quarters indicates a lessened faith and interest in this important means of grace. The general report is that the Assembly's topics and the Sabbath-school lessons are in use; a very few mention "book study"; "the catechism," and selections by the session or a prayer-meeting committee.

The Sabbath-schools.—This department of the Church's work seems to be fairly prosperous. A larger attendance; more interest; increased contributions; a larger number of adults in attendance; the missionary spirit on the increase, but some less able to show it, owing to the financial depression; many scholars from the outside brought in; goodly numbers received into the membership of the Church from the Sabbath-school; all these things reported cheer us greatly now, and fill us with greater hope for the future. In all the schools, the Catechism is taught. In many presbyteries teachers' meetings are rare, and the "Home Department" an entire stranger. The opinion very generally prevails that it ought to be possible for the children in larger numbers to join in the service of praise in the schools. Nearly all the schools give something to missions. Some give all, others one-half, some two-thirds, and some one-fourth.

The Youth.—Never before has the Church been so busy organizing her youth, and never before have our youth been so active. This organized army of the young must march and attack something. It ought to be in the best sense a Salvation Army, following the Lamb wherever he leads. This army must be drilled; learn to do fatigue duty; appear at times on dress parade; but it ought to aim at winning bloodless victories. Perhaps no questions received such scant courtesy as "Are you reaching young men?" "If so, tell us how!" The clerk of one presbytery sums up the replies to these questions thus: "Eight out of eleven are mum." This confession is all too general: "Not many young men of outsiders are reached." Here is a fine field for the young; not that it should be left wholly to them, but surely much may be expected of them, as soon as they learn the conditions of things, and feel their own strength and responsibility.

The Congregations.—"The Lord hath chosen Zion." "His way is in the sanctuary." From many parts of the field comes the cheering news that "the attendance is better," that "it is improving," or that "it more than equals the membership." Many congregations held special services during the year, and in every case reported the special efforts were owned of God, sometimes in the way of quickening, and sometimes in the way of ingathering. The proportion of active members in the congregations varies greatly, to judge from returns of presbyteries; some placing it at five per cent. only, and others putting it as high as ninety per cent. Special evangelistic work, preaching in schoolhouses, mission Sabbath-schools, railroad shops visited, are some of the signs of congregational life. The Church should become not only more aggressive—she should "go"—but more attractive, and more hospitable. Much congregational work is too selfish.

The number of public meetings is out of all proportion to the palpable results. We do not plead for fewer public meetings, but for more private meetings and personal interviews between Christians and those who are without. Multitudes are flowing past the Church. Let us go after these in the name and in the love of the Son of man. We may need more machinery, more organization, but most of all, we need more devoted manhood and womanhood. The laborers in all our churches are too few; the majority desire quietness, or think their work done when they pay their subscriptions. Our members need to feel that the world will never be won by official laborers, that to every member there is "his work." There is still great need for the renewal of spiritual life in all our churches, to increase the depth, vigor and fervor of our own piety, and to make inroads upon a world lying in wickedness.

Finances.—The financial embarrassment which is still pressing upon the business of the country, largely affecting all our people, has told upon the finances of the Church. And yet we are persuaded that the grace of liberality is on the increase; a growing number recognize God's partnership, or rather ownership; tithers and proportionate givers are on the increase. From some congregations the good news is heard, "one-third are proportionate givers," "one-third of the members tithes." Devout thanks are due to God that the missionary spirit is undoubtedly growing. But in far too many churches collections are not systematized; a large number of members are not reached; in hundreds of cases the missionary collections are "cornered," or postponed until the year is about closed, and thousands have never experienced the joy of giving. The financial system that largely prevails is that known as "the envelope system." But no system is self-acting, though all regard this as satisfactory. Until every member is "enveloped," there should be no rest on the part of ministers, elders and women's societies. The financial depression of about four years' continuance has told upon the material resources of large numbers of our people, and has hindered the Church from undertaking needy work in new fields. Yet these hard times have proved the Church; developed in the membership largely a spirit of self-sacrifice, which will contribute to the good of the Church in the better days to come, for which so many anxiously wait and earnestly pray.

Loyalty to Present Truth.—It is gratifying to find that the ministry and membership are so loyal to the Church; that no general defection anywhere appears, and that cases of discipline are so rare. It is gratifying to record the earnest efforts on the part of the Church to stem the tides of intemperance, Sabbath desecration, and social and political corruption. The testimony of the Church upon these crying evils has been clear and explicit. And while the success so much desired has not as yet been achieved, still, the progress made gives promise of better things in the near future, and encourages us to lift up, and keep lifted up, the standard which will in the end prevail. The Church says that there is need for heart and home religion; Christian steadfastness; personal consecration; Christian citizenship; the paying of vows; better Sabbath observance; political consistency; more personal work for Christ; increased missionary effort at home and abroad; national prohibition; continued witness-bearing against oath-bound secret societies; separation from the world, and such a growth of spirituality as will produce a religion for every place and day.

Hindrances.—We always expect hindrances. But many things set down as hindrances, we simply regard as tests or helps. Such as are named are neither new nor peculiar. Hard times, a changing population, unconsecrated wealth, worldly amusements, Sabbath desecration, the saloon, indifference, no church building, secret societies, political compromise, and such like, are commonly noted.

Encouragements.—These far outweigh our hindrances. The presence of a conquering Christ, growing liberality in hard times, increased attend-

ance, harmony among the membership, a more intelligent hearing of the Word, and deeper Christian experiences, cheer the faithful everywhere.

In nearly all the reports, in this connection, encouraging reference is made to the greater activity of the young, as well as to the effective help rendered by the women.

Suggestions.—Among the many suggestions sent to your committee are the following:

That the Board of Publication issue "an Annual Year Book about the Church, to be sold for 5 or 10 cents"; that "our Sabbath-school publications should be cheaper in price, if possible"; that "there is great need for better Sabbath-school music"; that the Church "destroy forever the copyright on the Psalter and Bible Songs," and that the General Assembly "get up a standard set of common-sense questions, which can be answered."

Conclusion.—It is evident that the Church is in an encouraging condition. She has made some progress during the year. But we must do more than "hold our own." If we are to have a future commensurate with our country, we must "go in and possess the land." Our moral and spiritual resources are truly great, and our material means are not to be despised. We have a heritage of truth and history that ought to spur us on to fresh endeavors at home and among the heathen. Ever remembering that Zion's good must come from Zion's God, let us "keep not silence, and give him no rest till he establish, and till he make Jerusalem a praise in the earth."

"For sake of friends and kindred dear,  
My heart's desire is, 'Peace to thee';  
And for the house of God, my prayer  
Shall seek thy good continually."

Respectfully submitted,  
Matthew S. McCord, Chairman.

## REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON WAYS AND MEANS.

The Committee on Ways and Means, referring to their report of last year, acknowledge the courteous reception of their chairman by the last General Assembly, and the liberal amount of time given the consideration of the request of the committee for a financial secretary, but regret that the Assembly could not see its way clear to sanction the measure. Your committee believe that, when the time comes that the Church approves of this expenditure of money and the right man is secured for the position, he will be the means of increasing the revenues of the Church ten times as much as it will cost the Church the first year, and will increase this ratio in the years following.

Your committee held an all-day session in Pittsburgh, December 11, 1896, and decided to write personal letters to the sessions of most of the churches. Such letters were very generally written. Comparatively few answers were received. One member of your committee wrote 160 letters, and received but eight replies. The answers, so far as heard from, were generally kindly in spirit, and in thorough sympathy with the aims of the committee. One or two pastors and sessions evidently did not desire to have their slumbers disturbed; but even in these cases, your committee believe that good will result, as the congregations referred to are numerically strong, financially able, but rather lethargic.

Looking over the contributions of the Church, there is much to be thankful for. While the financial depression still exists, the total contributions have fallen off only \$26,965, and this can all be accounted for in

one of the strong synods, that of Pittsburgh, and in one item in that synod, viz., "Congregational purposes," in which the falling off was \$38,963; evidently the church or parsonage buildings, which had been erected or paid for and reported last year, and a similar expenditure was not required this year. In the other items in this synod, we find the Boards received \$420 more this year than last, and salaries \$2,174 more; so that leaving out this one item of new buildings in this synod, the gross contributions by the Church at large were \$11,998 more than last year. In comparing the receipts of the different Boards this year with last, we find the Foreign Board received \$4,439 less; the Home Board, \$5,752 more; the Freedmen's Board, \$214 less; the Church Extension Board, \$16,121 less; the Board of Education, \$463 more; the Board of Ministerial Relief, \$8 more; the Assembly Fund, \$526 less.

There was paid out for congregational purposes, \$49,806 less; for pastors' salaries, \$1,577 more.

Your committee are glad to note that the average of pastors' salaries has advanced from \$1,054 to \$1,056, but regret that the receipts of the Church Extension Board seem to have suffered so much.

There is encouragement, too, in the fact that 795 congregations are reported this year as contributing to some one fund, a gain of 23 on last year, and only 47 that fail to contribute to any Board, a gain of 9. But "hard times" show themselves, in that only 371 congregations this year contribute to all the boards, a loss of 15.

While the year past has not been all that was desired, your committee believe the year to come is full of promise. They believe that the people of the Church are able and willing to give all that has so far been asked of them, and, if properly instructed and led, will do so. Down on the low, practical plane, there seem to be two things lacking in many congregations: 1. Knowledge of what our Church is doing at home and abroad; 2. A wise system of raising church funds. Through our Women's Missionary Societies and Our Young People's Associations, much is being done to remedy the first lack, yet much remains to be done. If the Church papers and Church Sabbath-school literature could be still more widely circulated, it would be a good thing. If short, pithy, readable, attractive statements of the work of the different Boards could be gotten out in good style and put into the hands of the people free of cost, it would be money well spent. As to the second "lack," too many congregations put off raising mission funds until the last quarter of the year. This is a sin. Some others pay every other expense first, and then whatever is "left" give to the Boards. This is still worse.

A few church officers are so loyal to their own local needs, that they take no interest in anything outside of their own congregation. We are happy to say they are "few," and yet their number affects the general result.

We recommend to all congregations, that do not raise the amount of money desired, the envelope system. That is, obtain a subscription from every man, woman, child, and adherent of the congregation, if possible, for a fixed sum to be paid weekly. Collect each week, pay to the financial agent at least once a quarter, dividing the money so raised between the Boards, according to the Assembly's appropriation, and thus always keep the Church treasury full.

Along all these lines our Church is advancing. With time and effort, still further improvements will doubtless be made.

The chairman of your committee feels that the financial interests of the Church have suffered the past year, by his not being able to give to the committee's work the time and labor that it should have had. Owing to the pressure of private business, he asks that another name be substituted for his next year.

Very respectfully,

Pittsburgh, Pa., May 25, 1897.

J. J. Porter, Chairman.

## REPORT OF THE GENERAL COMMITTEE ON YOUNG PEOPLE'S WORK.

Your committee, charged with the oversight of the Young People's work, take pleasure in submitting to you our annual report.

We desire, first of all, to express our gratitude to God for his blessing on the efforts of the committee, and for his goodness upon all the young people throughout the Church. And we desire to express our thanks to the young people and to the Church at large for the noble response to every effort of the Committee to make the young people's work more of a fact than a name. Nine years have passed since our organization was effected. The young people's work is established as a permanent agency in the congregational and denominational activity. The lines of its manifestation may vary, but the young life of the Church is henceforth consecrated to effort. With such a force to direct, the Church at large does well to give counsel and to exercise a judicious oversight.

Concerning the work in general, we are able to report that there seems to be no diminution of interest, either in the local work of the society, or in the conventions. There have not been so many discouragements presented, nor questions asked concerning local difficulties as formerly, and the spirit of the recent Institutes seems to have taken possession of the presbyterial conventions.

Most encouraging reports have been received from nearly all of the 53 conventions held during the year. This is the more gratifying, as many felt that the increased interest in the Institutes would diminish the attendance and interest of the presbyterial conventions. It has accomplished the very opposite effect.

### STATISTICS.

For the sake of more complete statistics, we wish this general interest would have reached every presbyterial secretary and the secretary of every society. We can report only partial statistics concerning the work. Generally, the fault is with the secretary of the local society, though five presbyterial secretaries failed to place any report in the hands of the General Committee. These presbyteries are, Boston, Ohio First, Puget Sound, Spokane and Vermont. Fifty-six presbyteries have reported more or less fully, and the following are the figures as gleaned from these reports: 624 societies, of which 488 are C. U., and 136 C. E., report a membership of 27,808, as against 26,297 for last year, a gain of 1,511. The contributions amounted to \$33,206. Of this sum the Boards received \$7,371; \$10,017 were used for society purposes, and the balance devoted to other work; 188 of these societies received the tithe cards sent out; 141 have a Tithe Committee; 3,868, about one-seventh of the membership, are tithe-payers. When local secretaries become indifferent, Junior statistics can only be partial also. Two hundred and forty societies are reported having a membership of 8,769, as against 6,836 last year. Their contributions amounted to \$3,846. There are reported also from these 624 congregations, 125 Junior missionary societies, having 3,736 members, a gain of 1,224 over last year. Their contributions were \$2,617.

### PRAYER-MEETING TOPICS AND HELPS.

The topics selected by the General Committee for use in the prayer-meetings are those prepared by the Society of Christian Endeavor. Some changes were made to suit conditions prevailing in a majority of our societies, and to suit times of special interest to the young people. A change in the preparation of helps for the young people was suggested and adopted by Dr. Miller. Rev. J. G. Kennedy continues his helpful

notes, but space has been secured for "best thoughts" of some of our best thinkers. This arrangement has added interest and freshness to the prayer-meetings.

#### JUNIOR WORK.

The Junior work has received the usual attention through *The Herald*, and no effort has been spared either by Dr. Miller or by Rev. W. I. Wishart, who was reappointed Junior Secretary by the last Institute, to make the Junior work interesting and profitable to the children. Any difficulty in Junior work comes largely from a lack of suitable persons to organize and carry on the work.

#### INSTITUTE.

One Institute has been held since our last report to you. Omaha had been selected as the place, and the time fixed for the meeting was August 19-24. As the time drew near for the meeting, deep interest was manifested. The whole Church was in an attitude of expectancy, a result of their attitude of prayer for a blessing on that meeting. The young people gathered in large numbers from all sections of the Church. Twenty-four States, besides Egypt and India, had representatives. Twenty-six hundred and fifty persons enrolled themselves as delegates and visitors. It was a memorable Institute, to be classed with the one held in Columbus, and to be remembered with joy by all whose privilege it was to attend it.

At that meeting a memorial was presented from the Monongahela presbyterial, asking for an amendment to the constitution for local societies. The Institute recommended for adoption the following amendments: Add to article 4, the following words, "And a corresponding secretary, whose office shall be a permanent one, and whose name shall be forwarded to the presbyterial corresponding secretary." Also add to article 5 a new section, to-wit: "It shall be the duty of the corresponding secretary to keep the society in communication with the presbyterial corresponding secretary, and through him with the General Committee on Young People's work, and to present to the society such matters of interest as may come from them for its information or action." The General Committee concurred in the action of the Institute, and the matter is now laid before the Assembly for its approval.

The time selected for the last two Institutes seems to have been most favorable for a large gathering of the young people; the Committee knew of no sufficient reason for any change of date, and have selected August 18-23 as the time, and Indianapolis, Indiana, as the place for the next Institute. Present indications are that this coming meeting of the young people will exceed in attendance, interest and practical results any heretofore held. A good program, a central location, past memories, and united prayer all combine to secure this result.

#### GENERAL.

The General Committee at its meeting in October authorized its chairman to open negotiations with the young people of the Associate Reformed Synod of the South, soliciting their co-operation in the Ninth Annual Convention, to be held in Indianapolis, August 18-23, 1897; seeking, also, if possible, a close affiliation between the young people of that Church and our own. The negotiations have proceeded most pleasantly and profitably thus far, and we are able to report that the executive committee of the Associate Reformed Church, having in charge their young people's work, has appointed J. S. Moffat, D. D., synodical delegate to the Indianapolis Convention, and, at our solicitation, have nominated one of the principal speakers for the program. As they hold no convention of their own this year, they hope to bring many of their young people to Indianapolis. It is expected

that their executive committee will report to their Synod at its annual meeting in October next a plan of co-operation which will, if approved by their Synod and accepted by us, permanently ally and unite the young people of that Church and our own in their organized work.

An informal plan of co-operation has been already submitted by our General Committee, and approved by their executive committee. The plan contemplated provides that,

1. The General Secretary of young people's work, or if no such officer, the Chairman of the Executive Committee on young people's work of the Associate Reformed Church, who is appointed by the Synod of that Church, shall be ex-officio a member of the General Committee; also one of the five members of the General Committee, now appointed by the Annual Institute, shall be appointed from and nominated by the young people of the Associate Reformed Church.

2. The use of the common name—Young People's Christian Union.

3. The support of the same official organ—The Christian Union Herald.

4. The holding of a united annual convention, under the administration of the General Committee.

5. The amendment of the constitution of the Annual Institute of the Young People's Christian Union so as to provide for this plan of co-operation.

The chairman of the General Committee was also authorized at the same meeting to undertake the affiliation of the young people of the Holland Christian Reformed Church. As yet the young people of that Church have no general organization. The negotiations have, therefore, been limited to correspondence and personal interviews which, we are pleased to say, have been generally favorable to the project on the part of the members of the Holland Christian Reformed Church who have been approached. No material progress, however, has been made.

At the meeting of the General Committee in February, a committee was appointed to formally invite the young people of both the Old and New School Reformed Presbyterian Churches to attend the Convention at Indianapolis. The General Committee believes the time is at hand when we should undertake, through the Young People's Christian Union, to affiliate with us in a united work all young people belonging to Churches which hold the doctrine of the exclusive use of the Psalms in the worship of God.

#### GENERAL SECRETARY.

According to the arrangement made by the Assembly which met in Albany, Oregon, the term of office of the General Secretary of Young People's work expires with this meeting. It will devolve on this Assembly to elect a successor.

Respectfully submitted,

J. P. Tracy, Chairman.

J. A. Duff, Gen. Sec.

## REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE OF CONFERENCE WITH THE SOCIETY OF CHRISTIAN ENDEAVOR.

Your committee to confer with the president and officers of the Christian Endeavor Society, to ascertain what, if any, relation can be established between our Young People's Christian Union and the said Society of Christian Endeavor, would respectfully report as follows:

In the absence of the president of the Christian Endeavor Society from this country, we entered into correspondence with the general secretary,



Mr. John Willis Baer, of Boston, Mass. Mr. Baer was invited to meet with our committee, and it was his desire and purpose to do so; but he was prevented. In his absence, Dr. W. H. McMillan, a trustee of the Christian Endeavor Society, met with us. The correspondence with Mr. Baer was also continued. Both the conference and the correspondence were of the most cordial and friendly character.

We cordially agree with the officers of the Christian Endeavor Society, that the relation which at present exists between that Society and our Young People's Christian Union is heartily friendly and fraternal. We are glad that our General Assembly has dealt so liberally in the matter. Our young people have always been allowed the greatest freedom in the matter of organization and affiliation. Members of Christian Endeavor Societies are entitled to exactly the same privileges under our organization as those of our denominational society. We have also, with the consent of the Christian Endeavor Society, always adopted and used their subjects for devotional meetings. We feel, therefore, that our relation to Christian Endeavor is as close as we have any power to make it, without giving up our denominational society; and we are confident that the sentiment, both of the General Assembly and of the young people themselves, forbids the serious consideration of such a subject as that. We have, therefore, no proposition to offer, looking to any closer relation than that which now exists. No such proposition has come to us from the Christian Endeavor Society. Our Young People's Christian Union, like the Baptist Young People's Union and other similar denominational Unions, is really a federation of young people's societies within the denomination. Our relation to all other societies is, therefore, as close and cordial as could possibly be desired.

Respectfully submitted,

D. F. McGill, Chairman.

Allegheny, Pa., May 25, 1897.

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## REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON THE UNION OF THE JUNIOR SOCIETIES AND JUNIOR UNIONS.

The committee, whose appointment was recommended by the last General Assembly, "to devise a plan" of uniting the Junior Missionary Societies conducted by the Women's Board, and the Junior Union conducted by the Young People's Union, would respectfully report that we have considered very carefully the work of these two organizations. We find the condition of the work in both to be most encouraging. We are unable to "devise a plan for uniting the two organizations," unless it should be by giving up one or the other. We do not believe this would be in the interest of the Juniors of the Church. We do not find that any rivalry exists between the two organizations, unless it be a friendly and helpful rivalry.

We therefore respectfully recommend that no action be taken by the Assembly.

Respectfully submitted,

W. I. Wishart,  
D. F. McGill,  
J. J. Porter,  
N. Wylie Stevenson,  
H. C. Campbell,  
Annie R. Herron,  
Committee.

## REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON SEMINARY CONTROL.

No progress has been made during the year in relation to the theological seminaries in Egypt and India. The seminary at Cairo has a fund of about \$10,000, held by the Board of Foreign Missions. We are informed that it is now possible for a corporation of this country, as the Board of Foreign Missions, to hold property in Egypt by direct title. No communication has been received from the Synod of the Punjab on the subject. The Board of Foreign Missions sustains a direct relation to those in control of these foreign seminaries, and is in position to represent the General Assembly in all that relates to the control of the seminaries.

We, therefore, recommend the adoption of the following :

Resolved, 1. That all permanent funds for the foreign seminaries be held by the Board of Foreign Missions, and that the same be safely invested in this country.

2. That hereafter the title to property in Egypt, bought for the use of the seminary or other institution of the mission, be taken in the name of the Board of Foreign Missions, and that in India such title be in the name of a properly registered body, and not in the name of individuals as trustees.

3. That the subject of the control of these seminaries be referred to the Board of Foreign Missions, with instructions to report suitable regulations, by which the power of control given to the General Assembly may be properly exercised.

4. That until such regulations are adopted, the Board of Foreign Missions shall be regarded as in charge of these seminaries, so far as to report to the General Assembly the names of the professors, the changes in the faculties, the number of students, and the course of study, with the changes that may be made in it.

Respectfully submitted,

A. G. Wallace, Chairman.

Sewickley, Pa., May 10, 1897.

## REPORT OF THE ALLEGHENY THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY.

The year has been, in many ways, the most prosperous in the history of the institution. The professors have all been regularly in their places. The number of students in attendance, in the regular classes, has been 89; 28 having been in the senior class, 27 in the middle class, and 33 in the junior and one post-graduate. General good health has prevailed. The work of the year has been pursued without interruption. The spiritual tone of the school has been excellent. Upon all hands the institution has experienced tokens of favor, for which we are grateful to the great King and Head of the Church.

The faculty remains as last year reported, consisting of Rev. D. A. McClenahan, D. D., professor of Old Testament Literature and Criticism; Rev. James A. Grier, D. D., professor of Didactic and Polemic Theology, and temporary professor of Homiletics; Rev. John McNaugher, D. D., professor of New Testament Literature and Criticism; and Rev. John A. Wilson, D. D., professor of Ecclesiastical History and Church Government, and temporary professor of Pastoral Theology. The curriculum, appointed by the Assembly for the year, has been pursued, with such additions as the times require.

The fields of study have been Systematic Theology, New Testament Criticism, Exegesis, Hermeneutics, and Introduction, Old Testament Criticism, Exegesis and Introduction, Church History and Church Government, Experimental Religion, and the Distinctive Principles of the Denomination. In addition to this, lectures have been given by several ministers of the Church. A special course of instruction in methods of Christian work was given early in the year, by Rev. H. H. Bell.

The industry of the students has been very commendable, and the attainments are fully up to the usual standard. The proficiency shown by the graduating class in the preaching exercises before the committee of the board appointed to hear it, was exceedingly gratifying to the members. Of this class, two are under appointment to the foreign field.

As reported last year, a training school for Christian workers was conducted during the past year. The doors of the seminary were open during the session for any who desired to qualify themselves for Christian work. Two students were in attendance upon a portion of the classes. The special work of the school, however, was concentrated at the beginning of the term, during a period of three weeks. In this Institute, the faculty, Rev. H. H. Bell, W. J. Reid, D. D., D. F. McGill, D. D., and J. T. McCrory, D. D., gave instruction. The sessions were all numerously attended, and much interest was shown. Arrangements have been made for a similar institute at the beginning of the next term. Whether there is a real call for training schools in connection with our seminaries is not entirely clear to us, but we are endeavoring to give the question a fair examination through the experiment which we have undertaken.

Respectfully submitted,

R. E. Stewart, President.

W. J. Robinson, Secretary.

## REPORT OF THE XENIA THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY.

Complying with the instructions of the last General Assembly, the Board of Managers of Xenia Theological Seminary, through its secretary, would respectfully submit the following report:

Our aim is to confine this report to such features of the work as are under the immediate control of the Assembly, merely touching upon some others which may be of general interest to the Church.

If numbers indicate prosperity, it can be said that the past year was the best in the history of our institution. Fifty-nine students were enrolled; and, with one or two exceptions, all these attended regularly throughout the year. Each class contained almost the same number of students; four were of other denominations, and three of these among the graduates at the close of last session. The course of study, laid down by the Assembly, was strictly adhered to, and instruction was given in all the various branches for the required time, beginning on the first Wednesday of September, 1896, and continuing till April 28, 1897.

On Sept. 15, 1896, Rev. J. D. Irons, D. D., was duly installed as professor of Hebrew and Old Testament Literature. This inauguration filled the only chair remaining vacant in our Seminary; but there is another vacancy in prospect, owing to the resignation of Dr. James Harper, which was tendered, or, rather, renewed, at our last meeting, and this resignation was reluctantly accepted, to take effect August 31, 1898. The board hesitated long before granting Dr. Harper the rest which he has well earned. His retirement will create a void which will be hard to fill. He was urged to continue his services through another year; meanwhile a committee has been appointed to select and nominate his successor to the board,

They have a delicate task to perform, and, considering the place to be filled, ought not to be overwhelmed with candidates. There were eight regular students in the training school for Christian workers. All these were ladies, and in addition to this number, there were a few others who attended upon the instruction in this department for a large part of the time. Special lectures were given to these students by the professors in turn, and there were also lectures from resident physicians and a number of returned missionaries. The faculty express themselves as much gratified by the zeal and diligence of the students in this department.

The last Assembly took this action, "Resolved, That the directors of the theological seminaries be instructed to report to the next Assembly what is being done in the way of giving instruction in the English Bible, and in training students in evangelistic work." In answer to this we have nothing special to report. We believe that the man who is best skilled in the original tongues, is the one who will make the best and most accurate use of the English Bible. We believe that we cannot cut down the time allotted to Greek and Hebrew to make smatterers in the Authorized Version. In all criticism worthy of the name, the final appeal is to the original languages of the Scriptures, and the lack of such knowledge cannot be atoned for by the ability to repeat the books of the Bible in order, or any alertness in finding a particular text. The English Bible is, of course, used for comparison (we hope not merely as an aid in translation); it is much used and quoted in the prayer-meetings and preaching services of the seminary, and we have every reason to believe that it is much studied by the students in private. This is the place and prominence accorded the English Bible in our teaching, and it probably will remain so till otherwise ordered by the Assembly.

The Board of Managers.

By R. G. Ramsay, Secretary.

## REPORT OF THE NEWBURGH THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY.

The second term for study of the English Bible and for instruction in methods of practical Christian work was held during the summer of 1896.

The board of superintendents, under direction of the Synod of New York, has made arrangements for a similar term beginning July 20, and continuing to August 4, 1897. The corps of instructors includes the well-known names of Rev. W. J. Martin, president of the board; Rev. W. G. Moorehead, D. D.; Rev. John McNaugher, D. D.; Rev. J. B. McMichael, D. D.; Rev. R. G. Ferguson, D. D.; and Rev. T. Harwood Pattison, D. D.; of Rochester, N. Y., who has been invited to give his course of lectures on "The Bible as Literature." Rev. W. J. Robinson, D. D., and Rev. T. C. McKelvey will give instruction on the practical use of the Bible, and on methods of Christian work. In the course of evening lectures, Rev. J. K. McClurkin, D. D., Rev. J. T. McCrory, D. D., and probably Rev. W. M. Grier, D. D., president of Erskine College, will be heard, in addition to a number of those already named as instructors.

Hoping that the work of the Board may meet the favorable commendation of the General Assembly, this statement is respectfully submitted.

J. G. D. Findley, Secretary.

## REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON THE COURSE OF STUDY IN THE THEOLOGICAL SEMINARIES.

I. The curriculum adopted by the General Assembly in 1874, while providing a broad and thorough outline of study, does not now adequately make answer to present demands and changed conditions in religious thought.

II. It is evident that the faculties in our theological seminaries, in recognition of the claims of advanced scholarship and improved methods of instruction, have gone beyond the requirements of the curriculum of 1874, and are doing an advanced and progressive work.

III. In the curriculum of our theological seminaries more emphasis should be laid to-day upon sociology, the systematic study of the English Bible, Christian missions, and evangelism. This has been practically recognized in the instruction given in recent years, and should be formally incorporated in the course of study.

IV. While a very considerable degree of liberty should be given to the faculties that each professor may adapt himself, in the best manner, to his work, it is desirable that they should so follow the curriculum approved by the General Assembly, that synchronous instruction may be given in the two seminaries.

Therefore, in view of these facts, your committee recommends that the faculties of our two theological seminaries make a careful revision of the course of study as outlined in the curriculum of 1874, and submit a joint report to the next General Assembly through the boards of directors.

Respectfully submitted,

J. K. McClurkin, Chairman.

Pittsburgh, May 24, 1897.

## REPORT ON UNION WITH THE ASSOCIATE REFORMED SYNOD OF THE SOUTH.

During the year no progress has been made towards union; the correspondence has been unofficial. Under present circumstances, and in view of the satisfactory working of the plan of co-operation, it is judged to be better to allow the question of organic union to be held in abeyance for the present, the committee to be continued, in order that any new developments may be promptly met.

Respectfully submitted,

A. G. Wallace, Chairman.

Sewickley, Pa., May 18, 1897.

## REPORT ON UNION WITH THE HOLLAND CHRISTIAN REFORMED CHURCH.

A meeting of the Joint Committee on the Union of the United Presbyterian and Holland Christian Reformed Churches was held in Grand Rapids, Mich., on the evening of June 18, 1896. After a pleasant conference, the committee adjourned to await the action of the Synod of the Holland Church, then in session in the city, on the plan of co-operation with a view to organic union, which was adopted by the General Assem-

bly of the United Presbyterian Church at its meeting in Pittsburgh in 1895, a copy of which had been transmitted to that Synod.

It is sufficient to say that the question of organic union did not meet with favor in the Synod, and that the plan of co-operation adopted by our General Assembly was, in its main features, rejected by the same. The adverse action taken was subsequently reconsidered, and the whole matter was sent down to the Classes for their consideration, and with instructions to report their judgment upon it to the Synod at its annual meeting in 1898, final action then to be taken.

The Synod also resolved to enter upon a mission to the American Indians, thus virtually withdrawing from the measure of co-operation which had been so pleasantly initiated with our mission in Egypt.

According to the action of Synod there seemed to be nothing that could thus be done by the Joint Committee, and hence they did not again formally meet.

While, as appears from this statement, but little apparently has been actually accomplished, and that the high hopes of effective co-operation and ultimate organic union between these two bodies have been disappointed, yet it would seem that courtesy, at least, requires that the committee of the Assembly on union with the Holland Christian Reformed Church should be continued until final action has been taken by the Synod of that body at its meeting in 1898.

The following resolution is therefore recommended for adoption by the Assembly:

Resolved, That the Committee on Union with the Holland Christian Reformed Church be continued to await the action of the Synod of that Church in 1898, and that the committee then proceed to act as circumstances may direct, and report to the Assembly.

W. W. Barr,  
John McNaugher,  
W. G. Moorehead,  
Committee.

## REPORT ON A THANKSGIVING PROCLAMATION.

The Moderator and Principal Clerk, instructed by the last General Assembly to issue a thanksgiving proclamation, would report that they performed the duty assigned them. The proclamation is as follows:

“ ‘Sing unto the Lord with Thanksgiving.’ ‘O Lord, how manifold are thy works. The earth is full of thy riches.’ ‘He watereth the hills from his chambers. The earth is satisfied with the fruit of thy works.’ Surely God has not left himself without witness, in the past year, ‘in that he did good; and gave us rains from heaven and fruitful seasons, filling our hearts with food and gladness.’

“ ‘The return of the annual thanksgiving season leads us to recount the goodness of the Lord in the land of the living. And although material greed and forgetfulness of God appear in the national life; and the rum power reigns unchecked and almost unchallenged; and Sabbath desecration runs on unrestrained in the national and private life of our people; for all of which we should humble ourselves in sackcloth and ashes. Yet there is much for which a day of thanksgiving should be proclaimed throughout our people. Abounding harvests, so much of religious life and influence, educational and reformatory institutions; good government; the prevalence of domestic peace and good order, even in the midst of the exciting national political campaign, should lead us to feel that the Most High God rules in the kingdom of men.

"Therefore, by the instruction of the Thirty-eighth Assembly of the United Presbyterian Church of North America, we, the executive officers thereof, do hereby name Thursday, the twenty-sixth day of November, A. D. 1896, to be observed as a day of thanksgiving to the God of providence and grace. And, as 'no man cometh unto the Father but by Me,' we do call upon all our people, in their homes and in their places of worship, and in the name of the 'one Mediator between God and man,' the Lord Jesus Christ, to recount the mercies of God in the past year to our country, to our families, to our churches; to make liberal gifts to the poor and needy; and to implore the continued favor of God in the year to come."

Respectfully submitted,

James White, Moderator.

William J. Reid, Principal Clerk.

Rock Island, Ill., May 26, 1897.

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## REPORT ON MEMORIAL SERVICES.

Your committee, appointed to arrange for the memorial services for ministers deceased during the year, to be held Friday evening, May 28, would recommend for adoption the following program: 1. J. C. Wilson, D. D., to preside. 2. The reading of mortuary record from the report of the Permanent Committee on Narrative and State of Religion. 3. An address, "The Power of Their Preaching," President J. A. Thompson, D. D. 4. An address, "The Value of Their Influence," J. S. McKee, D. D. 5. An address, "Lessons From Their Lives," Rev. J. A. Duff.

James White,

William J. Reid,

A. G. Wallace,

Committee.

Pittsburgh, Pa., May 24, 1897.

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## REPORT ON CONFERENCES.

The Committee on Conferences would respectfully report that they have arranged for three conferences, as follows:

1. A conference, Thursday evening, on "The Mission Work of Our Church," opened by Rev. J. K. McClurkin, D. D., of Pittsburgh.

2. A conference, Monday evening, on "The Evangelistic Work of Our Church," to be opened by Rev. J. Knox Montgomery, of Cincinnati.

3. A conference on "The Sabbath-school Work of Our Church," to be opened by Rev. W. M. Anderson, of Philadelphia.

Time of each conference to be two hours, beginning at 7.30 each evening.

H. C. Marshall, Chairman.

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## REPORT ON RAILROAD FARE.

Reduced rates of one and one-third fare for the round trip on the well-known certificate plan have been conceded by all passenger associations east of the meridian of Denver. The concessions are a direct benefit to all

those attending the General Assembly, who do not enjoy clerical half-fare permits. The concession permits the purchase of tickets to the Assembly as early as May 22, and to return as late as June 8.

We have arranged to have Rev. H. C. Marshall, of Rock Island, act on behalf of the committee in certifying the attendance, etc.

We have published these concessions in all of the recognized Church papers, and have diligently attended to all correspondence from delegates and others relating thereto.

Respectfully submitted,

J. P. Tracy, Chairman.

Chicago, May 20. 1897.

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## REPORT ON THE FEDERATION OF THE CHURCHES.

No meeting of the Council has been held during the past year, for the reason that the General Assembly of the Presbyterian Church, with whom the scheme originated, failed to adopt the plan of federation at its meeting in Saratoga, N. Y., in May, 1896. The action of that Assembly, in laying the whole matter on the table, it may be presumed, ends the federation of Churches in the Presbyterian Assembly, for some time at least.

There has been no meeting of the committees representing the Churches that adopted the plan of federation during the year. Viewing the whole matter as we do, we cannot say that any of the Churches concerned seem particularly interested in and urgent for the scheme at present.

Respectfully submitted,

J. P. Sankey, Chairman.

Rochester, N. Y., May 20. 1897.

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## REPORT OF THE PERMANENT COMMITTEE ON REFORM.

Much the same conditions prevail in the field of Christian reforms as were mentioned in the report to the last Assembly. While the usual activity in reform work has been maintained throughout the year, yet little advance can be reported.

**Temperance Reform.** The terrible ravages of the liquor traffic continue throughout the land. Poverty, vice and crime are its legitimate results. It can have no other. And yet it still does its awful work under the sanction of the government, which makes its business of death and destruction as lawful as that of selling Bibles. The various temperance forces at work are still active, and, if accomplishing nothing more, are making a perpetual protest against this monster iniquity of our times.

**Sabbath Reform.** The great evil of Sabbath desecration seems to be on the increase. Many advances have been made, in the way of opening art galleries and music halls to the public on the Lord's day during the past year. The enemies of the Sabbath seem to have entered upon a great conspiracy in this land to rob the Sabbath entirely of its sanctity, and to convert it into a day of continued secular labor, or of demoralizing sensuous recreation and pleasure. In some of the great centers of our population the Sabbath has already almost ceased to be regarded as a sacred day. The mills and factories run as on other days. The stores in many lines of trade are regularly opened for business. The Sunday excursion carries multitudes to the places of amusement and defilement, at



prices which attract the very lowest of the slums as well as the great unthinking masses. The doors of the theaters and play-houses are wide open in our greater cities, and are filled to overflowing. No Christian mind can look upon this state of things with reference to the Lord's day in our land without the gravest apprehensions for the future. The history of continental Europe holds up before us a tremendous warning against the danger which threatens us here.

**Divorce Reform.** Your committee is glad to be able to note some advance in the direction of securing better legislation in some of our States, for the protection of the marriage relation. Several State Legislatures have, under the urgent leadings of the National Reform Association, enacted more stringent laws with reference to divorce than have heretofore existed. And there is reason to hope that the time is not far distant when there will be enacted by the National Congress a law pertaining to divorce, which shall be uniform in its operation in all the States of the Union.

**National Reform.** But little has been done, with the exception above noted, in the direction of this reform during the past year. The bill for an amendment to the preamble of the constitution, inserting the name of God, as the Moral Governor, of Jesus Christ as the King of nations, and of the moral law as the rule of civil government, which was pending in both Houses of Congress at the last report, is still pending, and there is little prospect of action upon it during the present session of Congress.

**The Secular Press.** This mighty engine of power still continues to be in many respects a power for evil. While its columns are more and more open to the preaching of the Word by the ministry, and to the record of Christian activity, yet it still continues, with a few honorable exceptions, to pander to the tastes and demands of the most godless and debased portions of the communities. It is the patron, vindicator and advertiser of the theater, the saloon, Sabbath desecration, and of many of the worst evils which infest society. It still dishes up to its readers the filth of the happenings in the very lowest walks of society. And with its Sunday editions, it is the most effective, defiant, devilish and infamous desecrator of the sacred day, and the worst enemy to the well-being of society which is at work to-day.

In view of this condition of things, your committee would make the following recommendations:

Resolved, 1. That this Assembly reaffirms with emphasis its former deliverances with reference to these matters.

2. That the special attention of the congregations be called to the imminency of the danger that threatens every interest of the individual, the home, the Church, and the State by this condition of things, and to the responsibility of the Church for their widespread ravages.

3. That a committee be appointed to prepare and publish to the Church a pastoral letter, plainly pointing out these dangers, and suggesting the Scripture methods for meeting and overthrowing them.

In the minds of your committee the very least the Church can do in this great emergency is to utter a solemn protest, in the name of the divine Lord and King, whose representative she is on earth, against these mighty forces of evil which are assailing the bodies and souls of men.

Respectfully submitted,

W. J. Robinson, Chairman.

Allegheny, Pa., May 20, 1897.

## REPORT ON A UNION METRICAL VERSION OF THE PSALMS.

A meeting of the Joint Committee, appointed by the various ecclesiastical bodies to co-operate in the securing of a Union Metrical Version of the Book of Psalms, was held in Philadelphia, Pa., on April 8, 1897. At this meeting there were representatives from the following ecclesiastical bodies, viz.: The Presbyterian Church, North; the Canada Presbyterian Church; the Reformed Presbyterian Church; the Reformed Presbyterian General Synod, and the United Presbyterian Church. It was officially reported to the committee that in addition to these bodies, the Cumberland Presbyterian Church and the Associate Reformed Presbyterian Church, South, had agreed to co-operate in the work, and had appointed committees of co-operation.

The Joint Committee spent some time in deliberation upon the matter committed to its care, and finally adopted the following principles and plan of procedure in the prosecution of the work:

I. The version, which shall be finally adopted, must aim to express correctly the original text; that is, it must present the exact thought of the original in its exact order.

II. The proposed Psalter shall be limited, as a rule, to two versions of any Psalm.

III. The so-called Rouse's Version shall be used as the basis of the proposed Psalter.

IV. The general method used by the Committee of the Presbyterian Church of the United States, in the preparation of the Presbyterian hymnal, shall be adopted as a working plan of procedure, substantially as follows: In deciding whether Rouse or some other version of any Psalm shall be adopted, the members of the committee shall use the first four letters of alphabet to indicate their judgment, as follows, viz.: A. Rouse as it stands; B. Rouse with emendations, the emendations to be indicated; C. Rouse amended, with a second version, which should be indicated; D. A substitute or substitutes for Rouse, to be indicated.

A sub-committee of one person from each of the bodies represented was appointed to have the oversight of the work. The following persons constitute that sub-committee: Rev. E. R. Craven, D. D., of the Presbyterian Church; Rev. W. J. Dey, of the Canada Presbyterian Church; Rev. David McAllister, D. D., of the Reformed Presbyterian Church; Rev. J. D. Steele, D. D., of the General Synod of the Reformed Presbyterian Church; and Rev. W. J. Robinson, D. D., of the United Presbyterian Church. The sub-committee was authorized to have blanks prepared for the use of the committee; also to purchase a limited number of versions, as they may be regarded necessary for the prosecution of the work, the expense to be borne by the bodies represented. The committee expects to prosecute the work during the summer and autumn, and adjourned to meet at the call of the sub-committee.

Respectfully submitted,

W. J. Robinson, Chairman.

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## REPORT ON ANNUITIES.

The General Assembly has recognized the annuity plan in the work of the boards. The General Assembly of 1875 authorized the Board of Church Extension to receive donations subject to annuity. In 1892 the Assembly expressed the judgment "that it would be a benefit to all the boards were the people made more familiar with what may be called the au-

nity plan," and recommended the boards to unite in the preparation of a statement concerning annuities, to be laid before the people through the Church papers, and by such other means as may seem advisable.

It does not appear practicable to prepare any general detailed plan by which the boards may receive donations subject to annuity, for the reason that the donors must be free to propose the conditions on which they will make their donations, and the boards must be free to negotiate with the donors. The general regulations, adopted for the Board of Church Extension, may be extended to all the boards. Inasmuch as forms for annuity bonds are in use in the several States, it does not appear to be necessary to prepare a general form of bond for the boards.

The committee recommends the following action:

Resolved, 1. That the General Assembly hereby authorizes all the boards to receive donations, "subject to such annuity and payable in such manner as may be agreed upon; such contributions to be securely invested, and the annuity never to exceed the annual interest received."

2. That such securities shall be kept as a separate fund, not at any time to be used as collateral security, or in any other way that might imperil the income to be paid as annuity.

3. That the boards exercise special care in the preparation of the bonds they may give, that the donations so made to them be free from every possible claim except for the annuity.

Respectfully submitted,

A. G. Wallace, Chairman.

Sewickley, Pa., May 24, 1897.

## REPORT ON CONTRIBUTIONS FOR HOME MISSIONS.

The committee, appointed by the last Assembly to co-operate with the Board of Home Missions in devising means and plans for securing the full amount appropriated for the home work, would report that, in the performance of the duty assigned, we adopted and endeavored to carry out the following plans:

1. The secretaries of the Boards of Home Missions, Church Extension and Freedmen's Missions were requested to issue a joint circular for distribution at the Omaha Institute, setting forth in a brief way the work and needs of their respective boards. We did this to bring the entire home work of the Church before our young people. We suggested the combined leaflet as less expensive and more effective, and especially to emphasize the thought that we did not wish to advance one part of the Church's work at the expense of another. In all our efforts we acted on the principle that our people should be taught to contribute to all the work of the Church in the proportion designated by the Assembly.

2. Appeals were made at different times during the year through the papers of the Church, urging the need of the full appropriation of one dollar per member for the home work. Special circulars were sent out to the Sabbath-schools, and special appeal for enlarged contributions were made during the quarter devoted to home mission collections. The attempt was thus made to enlist the children as well as the older people in the work of winning our land for the Lord. The response of the Church to these appeals during that quarter was most gratifying. For some reason the full amount, which we have reason to believe was given by the Sabbath-schools and Young People's Societies, does not appear to their credit in the financial report of the board. This should be rectified.

3. Believing that the success of any plan for securing the full appropriations made by the General Assembly depends upon the hearty co-operation of pastors and sessions, the committee requested certain brethren to

present the cause committed to them to their respective synods, and sought to have each presbytery appoint a committee to bring the matter before each congregation within its bounds. Circulars to this effect were sent out to the superintendents of missions, and to the delegates to the General Committee of Home Missions of 1896. How far these suggestions were acted on throughout the Church we have no means of knowing, but some cases have come to our knowledge, where they have been adopted with good results. What is needed in securing enlarged contributions for the Lord's work, is to have the people, all the people, informed as to the work and its needs, and to have some plan of securing a contribution from every congregation, and so far as possible from each and every member. What we need is more consecrated givers. When all the members of our congregations are led to give and give intelligently according to their ability, there will be no difficulty in securing the full amount appropriated by the Assembly to all the work of the Church.

While the contributions of the Church have this year, as heretofore, fallen short of the amount appropriated, there has been somewhat of an increase, and it is the earnest conviction of your committee that there should be no thought of reduction in the amount appropriated to this work, but that earnest and persevering efforts should be put forth to lead the people so to consecrate their wealth to the Lord, that the full appropriations to all the work of the Church will be cheerfully and promptly given. Our Church is able and should be willing to give at least one dollar per member yearly for the work of Home Missions.

Respectfully submitted,

J. C. Taggart, Chairman.

East Liverpool, O., May 20, 1897.

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## REPORT OF THE HISTORICAL SOCIETY.

In behalf of the Historical Society, we would respectfully report the continued custody and care, so far as our limited space in the book rooms will permit, of the various books and manuscripts, pamphlets, etc., collected. But few additions have been made recently, yet we consider it important that the work of the society be continued, and that our ministers and others be asked to contribute such documents, written or printed, as may be of historic interest to the Church and the world at large.

Respectfully submitted,

S. Collins, President.

J. C. Boyd, Secretary.

Pittsburgh, Pa., May 20, 1897.

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## REPORT ON THE REED ESTATE.

The trustees of the William Reed estate, as required by the will, respectfully report that but little progress has been made during the past year towards a final settlement. The "hard times" prevent the sale of mineral land in West Virginia and Kentucky, and a vexatious law suit prevents the collection of about \$16,000—a balance, secured by mortgage, on sale of land in Missouri. The interest on \$7,100 of loans, and on nearly \$9,000 secured by mortgage, balance on sale of land in West Virginia, has been promptly paid; but this has been mostly absorbed by current expenses and taxes, a large portion of which, however, we expect to be repaid.

Respectfully submitted,

S. Collins, Secretary.

Allegheny, Pa., May 20, 1897.

## REPORT OF THE EXECUTIVE COMMISSION, WESTERN SECTION, OF THE PRESBYTERIAN ALLIANCE.

Since the date of the last report three meetings of the commission have been held, one at Glasgow, Scotland, in June, 1896, another at Philadelphia, Pa., in November, 1896, and the third at Chicago, Ill., in April, 1897.

The commission would draw your attention to action taken at its last meeting in connection with two important events in the ecclesiastical history of certain of the Churches in the Alliance. The first action had to do with the 250th anniversary of the adoption of the Westminster Standards, and reads as follows: "Resolved, That the Western Section tenders to the Churches in the Alliance, holding the Westminster Confession and Catechisms, cordial congratulations upon the anniversary of the adoption of those widely influential and historic standards of Christian faith and practice."

The other action was in relation to the approaching sesquicentennial of the Reformed (German) Church in the United States. It reads: "The Coetus of the Pennsylvania Reformed Churches was organized at Philadelphia, Sept. 29, 1747, by Rev. Michael Schlatter, under the auspices of the Reformed Church of Holland. Out of this, in 1793, came the present General Synod of the Reformed Church in the United States. The Executive Commission of the Alliance of the Reformed Churches throughout the world, holding the Presbyterian System, congratulates that General Synod, one of its constituent members, upon the approach of the sesquicentennial of that important event in its history."

The Executive Commission also announces with pleasure that the plan of co-operation in Home Missions, which was submitted by it to the supreme judicatories of the several American Churches in the Alliance, has been adopted by the following bodies: General Assembly of the Presbyterian Church in the United States of America; General Assembly of the Presbyterian Church in the United States; General Assembly of the Cumberland Presbyterian Church; General Synod of the Reformed Church in America; General Synod of the Reformed Church in the United States; and the General Assembly of the Presbyterian Church in Canada.

The Executive Commission further transmits herewith the official notice in connection with the meeting of the Seventh General Council of the Alliance, to be held in the New York avenue Presbyterian church, Washington, D. C., during the fall of 1899. It is requested that action be taken with a view to the appointment of delegates. The basis of representation in the council is as follows: For each 100 congregations or less, two delegates up to 1,000 congregations; above 1,000 congregations, one delegate for each additional 100 up to 2,000 congregations; above 2,000 congregations, one delegate for each additional 250 congregations.

Action is also requested, providing for the payment of the apportionment of expenses due from your venerable body for the present year. This amounts to the sum of \$270.00. The treasurer of the Alliance is George Junkin, Esq., 6th and Walnut streets, Philadelphia, Pa.

With a view to the more full expression of the kindly sentiments of the Reformed Churches each towards the other, and of their spiritual unity, it has given us pleasure to appoint Rev. Wm. S. Owens, D. D., as a delegate to bear to your venerable body the fraternal greetings of the Alliance.

This report appropriately closes with the statement that the Sixth General Council of the Alliance, held at Glasgow, Scotland, June 17 to 26, 1896, furthered materially the high aims cherished by the Alliance. The noble hospitality of the Presbyterians of the commercial metropolis of

Scotland was and is worthy of all praise, and the council itself was a visible witness to the world-wide extent and influence of the Churches of the Reformation.

With best wishes for the prosperity of the cause of Christ in your midst as a Church, and through you to all the world, we are, in behalf of the Alliance,

Yours fraternally,

Wm. Caven, Chairman,

Wm. Henry Roberts, Secretary.

Philadelphia, May 14, 1897.

## ACTION OF THE PRESBYTERIAN GENERAL ASSEMBLY ON SABBATH OBSERVANCE.

We believe that there never was a time in the history of our country or of our Church when there was more need of earnest and faithful endeavor on the part of the Christian Church to stem the tide of Sabbath desecration, and to promote the proper observance of the Sabbath day. Very many of the advances of applied science to the needs and for the benefit of mankind appear to be used as instruments for further misuse of the Sabbath day, for the further overriding of its moral and religious uses, and for converting it into a day of social pleasure and sensuous indulgence.

The forty page Sunday newspaper, the bicycle clubs, the trolley cars, the league baseball games, the excursion by boat and car, the open saloon on the Lord's day have already in our cities impaired our beloved American Sabbath, have largely depopulated our churches, debauched the moral sense of communities, and caused our American Sabbath to outrival the continental Sabbath as a day given over largely to physical recreation and debasing vice, destructive of all that pertains to the worship of Almighty God, and that which makes for righteousness, the perpetuity of the Christian Church and all civil and religious liberty.

We do, therefore, ask this General Assembly to speak in most earnest terms, calling attention to the real dangers that threaten this divinely ordered and graciously given day of rest and worship, only by the proper Biblical use of which, all that is best in our civilization, together with the interests of man's immortal being, can be conserved.

Therefore, be it resolved,

1. The General Assembly reaffirms its belief that the law of the Sabbath is a law of perpetual binding obligation upon all men.

2. That we call upon all members of our churches, members of Young People's Societies and Sabbath-schools, together with all friends of God's law, to use their personal influence for the Biblical observance of the day, by abstaining from the purchase and reading of the Sunday newspaper, from all riding of the bicycle for pleasure or recreation on the Lord's day, from all forms of amusements, from unnecessary visiting, and from all things that are unproductive of holiness in men, and to be faithful to religious duty and life on this holy day.

3. That while the ministers of the Presbyterian Church are to be commended for their faithful presentation of the truth concerning the claims and obligations of the Sabbath, they are reminded of the necessity of renewed diligence in its defense and proper observance.

4. That the American Sabbath Union and the Women's National Sabbath Alliance, societies organized for the purpose of enlisting all Christian men and women in the work of conserving the American Sabbath, and also to organize auxiliary societies, and for the distribution of Sabbath litera-

ture, and to use all methods for the quickening of the public conscience, and awakening interest for the promotion of the Biblical Christian Sabbath, receive our cordial endorsement and approval. And we hereby heartily commend them to those who are stewards of the Lord's gold and silver, a small portion of which is necessary for their work.

5. That the Assembly's Special Committee on Sabbath Observance be continued, and the names of Mr. James Yereance and Rev. I. W. Hathaway, D. D., 203 Broadway, New York City, be added to the same.

The above report and resolutions were referred to the Committee on Bills and Overtures, who reported to the Assembly as follows:

There was also referred to your committee a paper from the Committee on Sabbath Observance. Your committee added to their paper an additional recommendation, to the effect that it be read by pastors from their pulpits at an early date. We recommend the adoption of this paper, and further recommend that it be made the general topic for Thursday morning's devotional services, and that Rev. I. W. Hathaway, D. D., have charge at that time.

Respectfully submitted,

J. L. Withrow, Chairman.

True copy, W. E. Moore, Permanent Clerk.

All of which was unanimously adopted.

### RERORT OF THE TREASURER OF THE GIBSON TRUST FUND.

#### Receipts.

From balance from 1895.....	.....
" remittance from R. L. Latimer, treasurer.....	.....
Total .....	\$7,027 84

#### Expenditures.

To payment on new edition of Arabic Psalter.....	.....
" books distributed, as per list below.....	.....
" balance .....	.....
	\$7,027 84

Chauncey Murch, Treasurer.

Cairo, Egypt, March 18, 1897.

We have examined the statement of the treasurer of the Gibson Trust Fund, and find that during the year \$1,914.55 has been expended, leaving a balance of \$5,113.29 to the credit of the fund.

J. K. Giffin,  
J. P. White,  
Committee.

List of books distributed on account of the Gibson Trust Fund during 1896:

Arabic Bibles, 563; Arabic Testaments, 127; portions of Scripture, 239; English Bible, 1; English Testament, 1; Hebrew Bibles, 2; French Bible, 1; French Testaments, 4; German Bible, 1; Arabic metrical version of the Psalms, 470. Total value of books distributed and cost of distribution, \$881.70.

## SUMMARY OF TREASURERS' REPORTS.

## RECEIPTS.

FROM PRESBYTERIES.	Assembly's Fund.	Foreign Missions.	Home Missions.	Freedmen's Missions.	Church Extension.	Publi- cation.	Education	Ministerial Relief.
Albany	\$ 29 23	\$ 588 80	\$ 668 35	\$ 212 35	\$ 212 39		\$ 82 00	\$ 48 58
Allegheny	136 03	5,221 52	5,713 52	3,125 07	2,828 04		1,273 01	405 07
Argyle	59 53	1,846 72	2,303 44	851 19	1,010 89		375 86	148 54
Arkansas Valley	5 60	162 13	248 40	78 62	63 93		82 49	
Beaver	63 16	1,061 32	1,546 07	757 04	606 87	\$28 00	190 32	114 63
Big Spring	16 32	538 43	659 44	235 28	264 25		127 16	47 92
Boston	14 00	286 46	448 58	112 00	150 00	10 00	44 00	26 00
Brookville		202 16	244 77	110 00	100 01		26 00	17 50
Butler	82 14	2,075 55	2,242 14	682 40	1,025 90		478 20	230 29
Caledonia	26 93	565 08	882 74	266 71	346 74		56 85	62 56
Cedar Rapids	18 04	592 10	558 08	296 50	262 67		231 29	35 65
Chartiers	88 76	2,589 80	3,250 27	1,207 84	1,327 50		596 91	242 90
Chicago	15 45	833 36	913 04	316 63	370 93		87 40	60 24
Chillicothe	3 05	128 00	173 38	80 61	50 13		23 00	13 92
Cleveland	25 50	455 36	563 23	284 70	220 30		94 50	38 50
College Springs	25 46	768 61	1 010 52	435 33	323 82		248 80	58 57
Colorado		93 12	429 53	174 00	238 93		59 00	31 50
Concordia	2 00	30 00	87 03	21 31	26 13		4 71	7 77
Conemaugh		925 00	1,100 00	600 00	375 00		175 00	75 00
Delaware	35 57	1,005 21	1,195 26	406 70	474 81		172 46	83 25
Des Moines	8 34	434 65	624 14	279 86	206 96		53 27	17 65
Detroit	8 00	246 00	385 00	109 50	116 40		43 00	27 00
Frankfort	14 59	781 84	706 45	410 06	188 50		82 91	43 20
Garnett		288 81	442 28	206 18	105 47		71 58	
Illinois Central	6 00	265 20	334 50	149 25	108 00		85 50	27 17
Illinois Southern	54 19	1,028 76	1,281 51	439 45	525 14		298 54	91 43
Indiana	7 95	393 87	405 90	131 25	100 55		82 58	26 26
Indiana Northern	6 71	95 87	123 70	154 01	42 67		12 90	14 40
Iowa Northwestern	4 65	60 37	271 66	13 00	36 00		11 00	5 00
Kansas City	5 71	154 55	275 54	101 66	66 07		28 77	19 25
Keokuk	33 80	1,495 79	1,308 99	725 92	477 88		278 62	86 45
Lake	16 00	886 03	1,059 61	387 28	1,182 91		149 00	45 00
Le Claire	23 16	362 36	419 44	205 28	180 43		53 08	35 94
Los Angeles	8 40	199 00	255 47	81 88	126 30		46 86	18 90
Mansfield	12 17	375 77	630 56	159 51	173 87		17 25	37 64
Mercer	48 37	1,165 65	1,303 73	641 76	509 05		251 94	121 82
Monmouth	37 49	1,519 79	1,452 02	742 61	631 90		432 49	110 51
Monongahela	145 00	6,832 69	6,828 09	2,446 39	2,610 68		1,026 57	390 00
Muskingum	33 10	1,232 62	1,298 51	792 64	454 23		279 33	60 00
New York	57 00	962 35	1,250 24	396 65	465 78		72 07	212 13
North Platte	30	16 00	41 95	4 15	10 59		1 40	40
Ohio, First	14 55	386 89	676 34	246 78	195 20		56 77	28 00
Omaha	5 64	248 39	336 86	132 52	106 83		52 27	18 54
Oregon		170 32	372 22	122 50	118 00		15 00	20 00
Pawnee	13 40	554 14	656 95	128 21	319 23		57 40	43 96
Philadelphia	57 10	1,726 51	1,838 91	505 00	786 84		351 22	216 76
Pittsburg	2 00	66 00	240 00	44 00	66 00		11 00	4 00
Princeton		517 43	349 46	104 43	45 84		45 00	32 00
Puget Sound		34 42	173 36	16 25	24 84		11 00	2 00
Rock Island	30 05	439 97	421 53	235 17	203 39			42 20
San Francisco		252 58	322 87	127 35	161 14		26 92	13 87
Sidney	4 00	287 61	397 00	175 00	88 65		9 00	19 09
Spokane	3 00	63 30	145 55	56 00	65 75		25 00	5 00
Stamford	10 00	382 50	285 25	45 00	121 35		45 00	30 00
Staubenville	45 89	1,317 16	1,993 77	490 31	840 49		346 01	126 76
Tennessee	5 00	104 82	162 00	72 17	75 00		15 00	13 00
Vermont	7 35	141 75	77 75	52 05	27 60	2 35	8 60	10 85
Westmoreland	71 00	1,555 83	2,141 71	774 39	794 16		278 75	87 00
Wheeling	42 14	1,276 38	1,607 17	533 43	615 05		309 65	113 50
Wisconsin	6 83	283 31	280 88	102 63	151 50		62 47	26 27
Xenia	27 23	1,186 92	1,303 54	425 39	481 25		255 33	86 05
Totals	\$1,522 88	\$19,729 53	\$58,720 20	\$23,221 15	\$23,886 70	\$40 33	\$ 9,789 01	\$ 4,077 30



## SUMMARY OF TREASURERS' REPORTS.—CONTINUED.

FROM.	Assembly's Fund.	Foreign Missions.	Home Missions.	Freedmen's Missions.	Church Extension.	Publi- cation.	Education.	Ministerial Relief.
Individuals .....	\$	\$ 20,312 34	\$ 9,218 84	\$ 2,734 00	\$ 2,125 00	\$	\$ 37 00	\$ 497 00
Legacies .....	4,177 81	28,907 89	.....	3,877 31	3,063 55	96 74	96 74	1,000 00
Sabbath Schools .....	.....	5,237 01	.....	3,083 06	.....	.....	22 00	.....
Women's Board .....	.....	16,409 08	.....	6,825 00	.....	.....	.....	.....
Women's Soc's .....	.....	457 96	.....	205 84	.....	.....	24 00	.....
Beneficiaries .....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	281 50
Investments .....	105 50	6,000 00	811 70	.....	1,300 00	12,736 25	.....	6,172 24
Interest .....	.....	2,993 34	.....	.....	3,569 59	.....	1,421 26	.....
Sales .....	.....	.....	.....	.....	7,196 98	68,958 05	.....	.....
Loans .....	.....	.....	.....	.....	6,490 58	162,500 00	1,400 00	12,050 00
Miscellaneous .....	.....	5,018 04	.....	13,277 78	897 90	75 53	15,450 00	.....
<b>Total Receipts</b> .....	<b>\$ 5,809 19</b>	<b>\$135,065 19</b>	<b>\$77,227 18</b>	<b>\$53,224 14</b>	<b>\$48,530 30</b>	<b>244,406 92</b>	<b>\$28,474 01</b>	<b>\$24,078 04</b>
Balance, 1896 .....	6,746 83	5,195 22	.....	349 16	2,002 77	4,513 65	.....	4,249 04
<b>Totals</b> .....	<b>\$12,556 07</b>	<b>\$140,260 41</b>	<b>\$77,227 18</b>	<b>\$53,573 30</b>	<b>\$50,533 07</b>	<b>248,920 57</b>	<b>\$28,474 01</b>	<b>\$28,327 08</b>

## PAYMENTS.

## GENERAL ASSEMBLY'S FUND.

Warrants of Assembly .....	\$	721 67
Hat Rack for Board Room .....	.....	5 00
Salary of Secretary .....	.....	50 00
Miss M. J. Moore, Interest .....	.....	30 00
Mrs. Isa Sanders, Interest .....	.....	33 00
Foreign Missions .....	.....	4,124 00
Home Missions .....	.....	3,160 00
Freedmen's Missions .....	.....	1,535 00
Church Extension .....	.....	1,533 00
		<b>\$ 11,693 24</b>
Balance, April 30, 1897 .....	.....	862 83
<b>Total</b> .....		<b>\$ 12,556 07</b>

## FOREIGN MISSIONS.

Mission in India .....	\$	52,093 03
Mission in Egypt .....	.....	51,568 51
Specials to India .....	.....	128 81
Dales' Semi-centennial Fund to India .....	.....	125 00
Dales' Semi-centennial Fund to Egypt .....	.....	125 00
Gibson Trust Fund, Egypt .....	.....	1,250 00
Sawyer Memorial Fund, Egypt .....	.....	300 00
Pressly Fund, Egypt .....	.....	242 92
Pressly Memorial Fund, Egypt .....	.....	54 65
Mackinnon Fund, Egypt .....	.....	115 00
Cummins Memorial Fund, Egypt .....	.....	22 50
Egyptian Theological Seminary Endowment Fund .....	.....	500 00
Cavanaugh Interest, Egypt .....	.....	187 74
Zagazig Building Fund, Egypt .....	.....	345 26
Specials to Egypt .....	.....	216 70
Expenses of Prof. W. W. White's Conference in Egypt .....	.....	500 00
Salaries of Missionaries in America .....	.....	4,340 00
Children of Missionaries in America .....	.....	800 00

Salaries, Printing, and Postage .....	2,767 74
Traveling Expenses .....	5,203 51
Outfits .....	1,150 00
Interest .....	860 33
Property .....	1,256 79
Taxes .....	354 60
Legal Expenses .....	49 31
Joseph D. McKee.....	709 50
Invested for Mackinnon Fund .....	4,800 00
Re-invested for Mackinnon Fund .....	3,000 00
Invested for Cummins Memorial Fund .....	700 00
Invested for the Campbell B. Herron Memorial Fund .....	6,000 00
	\$139,757 90
Balance, April 30, 1897.....	502 51
Total .....	\$140,260 41

## HOME MISSIONS.

Presbyteries.....	\$ 70,611 90
Salaries .....	2,500 00
Contingent Expenses .....	1,498 54
Permanent Investment.....	2,616 74
	\$ 77,227 18

## FREEDMEN'S MISSIONS.

Salaries at Knoxville .....	\$ 11,443 75
Salaries at Athens .....	2,130 00
Salaries at Miller's Ferry.....	2,035 00
Salaries at Prairie .....	1,850 00
Salaries at Summerfield .....	1,120 00
Salaries at Camden .....	1,142 50
Salaries at Canton Bend .....	400 00
Salaries at Chase City .....	4,794 60
Salaries at Blue Stone .....	920 00
Salaries at Henderson .....	4,666 04
Salaries at Norfolk .....	7,545 00
Expenses at Knoxville .....	704 75
Expenses at Athens .....	181 60
Expenses at Miller's Ferry .....	375 76
Expenses at Prairie.....	13 00
Expenses at Summerfield .....	68 51
Expenses at Camden.....	55 55
Expenses at Canton Bend .....	36 87
Expenses at Chase City .....	303 22
Expenses at Blue Stone .....	26 90
Expenses at Henderson .....	1,090 62
Expenses at Norfolk .....	508 23
New School Building at Blue Stone .....	1,675 75
Salaries .....	300 00
Contingent Expenses.....	204 60
Printing, etc.....	273 45
Interest.....	1,248 63
Insurance .....	75 00
To Reduce Debt of Board .....	8,400 00
	\$ 53,629 33
Treasury Overdrawn, April 30, 1897.....	56 03
Total .....	\$ 53,573 30

## CHURCH EXTENSION.

Congregations .....	\$ 25,132 91
Salaries .....	1,700 00
Contingent Expenses .....	382 81
Insurance and Taxes .....	1,029 27
Permanent Investment .....	4,100 00
Annuities .....	455 00
Special Funds Paid to Various Churches.....	355 00
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Balance, April 30, 1897.....	\$ 33,154 99
	17,378 08
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Total.....	\$ 50,533 07

## PUBLICATION.

Bible Teacher.....	\$ 2,942 68
Quarterly.....	5,267 21
Junior Quarterly .....	1,393 04
Olive Plants .....	3,853 88
Youth's Evangelist .....	8,903 55
Christian Union Herald .....	17,255 70
Bills Payable.....	123,730 27
Salaries .....	4,499 03
Contingent Expenses.....	3,819 12
Merchandise Bought.....	18,694 65
Insurance and Taxes .....	4,371 73
Permanent Investment.....	41,724 35
Interest and Discount .....	3,408 92
Maintenance Building .....	5,826 44
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Balance, April 30, 1897.....	\$245,732 15
	3,188 42
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Total .....	\$248,920 57

## EDUCATION.

Beneficiaries .....	\$ 4,226 00
Seminaries.....	1,856 30
Colleges .....	4,212 62
Academies .....	650 00
Salaries .....	175 00
Contingent Expenses .....	117 00
Interest .....	104 93
Permanent Investment .....	750 00
Overdraft, 1896.....	113 94
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Treasury Overdrawn, April 30, 1897.....	\$ 28,655 79
	181 78
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Total.....	\$ 28,474 01

## MINISTERIAL RELIEF.

Beneficiaries.....	\$ 11,195 00
Salaries.....	150 00
Contingent Expenses.....	101 50
Printing, Postage, etc.....	19 02
Insurance.....	42 50
Permant Investment.....	12,250 00
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Balance, April 30, 1897.....	\$ 23,758 02
	4,569 06
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Total.....	\$ 28,327 08

STATISTICS OF THE UNITED PRESBYTERIAN

1. PRESBYTERIAL

EXPLANATIONS. \* Last year's report. \*\* No report for two or more years. † Parsonage. parenthesis after the name of a congregation, as (2), the number of Sabbath Schools in a con-  
 Stated Clerk. F. M., Foreign Missionary. P. E., Pastor Elect. S. S., Stated Supply.  
 N. B. The column "Congregational Purposes" includes the expenses of the Sabbath  
 cluded in the other columns.

MINISTERS AND COR- RESPONDENTS FOR VACANCIES.	POST OFFICE AND STATE.	CONGREGATION.	Elders.	Communicants.	Increase.					
					Profession.	Certificate.				
<b>Albany.</b>										
J. A. Williamson.....	Johnstown, N. Y.	Johnstown .....	5	197	8	2	1			
R. D. Williamson, S. C .....	Troy, do	Troy †.....	2	86	1	1	2			
Albert Wareham .....	West Charlton, do	West Charlton †.....	5	101	4	1	3			
J. B. Story.....	Perth Center, do	Broadalbin †.....	5	81	7	1	4			
F. W. McKee.....	Pattersonville, do	Florida †.....	5	136	27	3	5			
R. E. Stewart.....	Albany, do	Albany.....	3	115	4	.....	6			
<i>Correspondent.</i>			<i>Vacancies.</i>							
John W. Thompson.....	Lisbon Center	Lisbon †—7.....	3	150	.....	1	7			
<i>Without Charge.</i>			<i>Pastoral Charges, 7.</i>							
S. F. Morrow, D. D.—7.....	Albany, do	Missionary Socie- ties, 3. Sabbath Schools, 7. Young People's So- cieties, 7								
<i>Licentiates, 1.</i>			<i>Students, 0.</i>			28	886	51	8	8
<b>Allegheny.</b>										
Wm. G. Reed.....	Springdale, Pa.	Harmarville, ½.....	4	84	4	9	9			
do	do	Springdale, ½.....	1	68	6	3	10			
J. W. Witherspoon, D. D., S. C.	Allegheny, do	5th Allegheny.....	9	620	29	11	11			
A. H. Calvert.....	Etna, do	Etna.....	4	220	16	13	12			
W. H. McMillan, D. D.....	Allegheny, do	2d Allegheny, (2).....	9	700	23	5	13			
W. J. Robinson, D. D.....	do	1st Allegheny.....	7	545	27	9	14			
D. R. Imbrle.....	Emsworth, do	Mt. Nebo.....	2	103	3	16	15			
Geo. W. McDonald.....	Allegheny, do	7th Allegheny.....	6	174	20	4	16			
D. F. McGill, D. D.....	do	6th Allegheny.....	7	520	45	22	17			
R. H. Park.....	Valencia, do	West Union, (3).....	4	110	7	6	18			
Thos. A. Shaw.....	Avalon, do	Avalon.....	6	158	10	27	19			
D. T. McAlmont.....	Glade Mills, do	Glade Run, (2)†.....	5	161	5	8	20			
W. I. Wishart.....	Allegheny, do	8th Allegheny.....	5	317	21	32	21			
Joseph Kyle, D. D.....	do	4th Allegheny, (2).....	7	614	26	12	22			
J. R. J. Milligan.....	do	9th Allegheny.....	6	231	12	4	23			
W. J. McClintock.....	Lewis, do	Deer Creek, †.....	5	209	14	3	24			
W. W. Lawrence.....	Bellevue, do	Bellevue.....	3	171	2	21	25			
W. S. Harper, D. D.....	Emsworth, do	Fleming.....	5	110	5	13	26			
T. C. Anderson.....	Tarentum, do	Tarentum.....	6	298	71	6	27			
John Leyda Vance.....	Aspinwall, do	Aspinwall.....	3	71	6	10	28			
H. C. Swearingen.....	Allegheny, do	3d Allegheny, (2).....	8	380	35	22	29			
E. M. Milligan.....	Sewickley, do	Sewickley.....	4	175	12	16	30			
R. W. McGranahan.....	Allegheny, do	10th Allegheny.....	5	260	42	9	31			
A. P. Gillespie.....	Evans City, do	Evans City, †.....	5	158	22	11	32			
D. W. Berry.....	Mars, do	Mars.....	5	146	14	29	33			
P. E. Simpson.....	DeHaven, do	Hampton, ½.....	5	80	6	3	34			
"	do	Allison Park, ½.....	6	52	.....	.....	35			
J. A. Brandon, P. E.....	Rural Ridge, do	East Union.....	6	*144	.....	.....	36			
<i>Correspondent.</i>			<i>Vacancy.</i>							
J. C. Norris.....	Riddle' Cr. Roads, do	Oak Grove—29.....	4	75	1	.....	37			
<i>Without Cha. ge.</i>										
R. J. Miller, D. D., Ed.....	Pittsburg, do	Pittsburg.....	do	do	do	do	do			
A. G. Wallace, D. D., Cor. Sec.	Sewickley, do	Sewickley.....	do	do	do	do	do			
D. A. McClenahan, D. D. Prof.	Allegheny, do	Allegheny.....	do	do	do	do	do			
John McNaugher, D. D., Prof..	do	do	do	do	do	do	do			
Wm. Robertson.....	do	do	do	do	do	do	do			
D. M. Ure, D. D.....	do	do	do	do	do	do	do			
J. H. Veazey.....	New Wilmington, do	New Wilmington.....	do	do	do	do	do			
J. M. Witherspoon.....	Oakmont, do	Oakmont.....	do	do	do	do	do			
J. R. McAllister.....	Pittsburg, E. E. do	Pittsburg, E. E.....	do	do	do	do	do			
W. T. Miller.....	Sharpsburg, do	Sharpsburg.....	do	do	do	do	do			

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†, Two or more years, or inserted by the Clerk to correct error of former report. A figure in fraction. A fraction, as  $\frac{1}{2}$ , the portion of the minister's time taken by a congregation. S. C., School, building, repairs, &c.,—all moneys applied for the benefit of the congregation and not in-

	Dec'rese Bapt'ns.				CONTRIBUTIONS.														S. SCHOOLS.			
	Deaths.	Removals.	Infant.	Adult.	Foreign Missions.	Home Missions.	Freedmen's Missions	Church Extension.	Education.	A assembly's Fund.	Ministerial Relief.	General Contribut'ns.	Salary by Congregat'n.	Congregat'l Expenses.	Total Amount.	Average per Member.	Members of Young People's Societies.	Officers and Teachers.	Number of Scholars.	Contributions.		
1	2	8	1	5	225	207	10	20	5	5	180	1000	694	2351	11	93	92	20	133	85		
2	4	1			83	82	36	33	18	3	7	102	1000	1139	2503	29	10	27	13	66	129	
3	2	3	1		100	100	50	50	10	5	10	140	900	85	1450	14	35	40	10	100	35	
4	5		3		62	66	35	29	14	10	6	29	800	150	1201	14	82	24	12	95	26	
5	11		5	8	119	139	94	56	33	4	8	240	800	195	1688	12	41	51	16	126	127	
6	5	5			25	30	15	6				261	1000	1411	2748	23	89	44	12	55	75	
7	5	30			20	48		10					628	300	1006	6	70	41	17	118	31	
8	19	66	8	16	634	672	240	204	80	27	36	952	6128	3974	12947	14	95	319	100	693	508	
9	2	2	1		10	24	20	5		1	1	4	400	81	546	6	50	30	8	49	25	
10	12	17			7		3				3	1	300	165	483	7	05	30	10	65	65	
11	6	47	15	3	281	380	258	198	50	25	25	344	3000	3503	8064	13	00	273	52	524	627	
12	25	15			55	105	55	55	10	10	20	375	1200	500	2385	11	00	125	34	290	300	
13	4	25	20	2	2660	1662	459	349	166	73	467	506	3500	3768	13610	19	44	160	53	443	1013	
14	7	22	11	1	3444	2556	95	1508	5864	16	108	26005	3500	3920	47916	87	92	177	56	484	616	
15	3	6			46	35	15	20	12	3	10	130	800	275	1346	13	07	45	15	105	35	
16	2	11	15		69	73	37	37	15	2	14	12	1500	393	2152	12	36	97	34	450	238	
17	7	90	10	7	1266	706	303	263	149	17	49	517	2500	6904	12674	24	37	188	46	390	647	
18	1	1	1	1	116	109	63	43	18	2	5	147	850	200	1553	14	11	35	18	208	241	
19	11	4	1	1	324	389	290	181	36	5	9	277	1500	744	3755	23	76	40	21	171	233	
20	4	4	8	1	141	82	45	35	15	5	5	125	800	457	1710	10	61	140	28	200	175	
21	30	17	1		294	273	137	137	81	5		248	1800	2008	4983	15	72	125	40	417	446	
22	14	22	14		2250	1774	561	957	165	18	43	339	3000	2934	12041	19	61	116	50	400	1200	
23	12	5	2			47	4	5	30				1700	1918	3704	16	46	32	17	109	117	
24	2	4	8		133	144	58	51	16	4	12	34	900	212	1562	7	47	30	15	110	90	
25	1	12	6		195	179	88	88	8	6	12	1130	1800	911	4497	26	29	45	17	105	300	
26	1	7	1	7	76	90	51	46	2	1	2	100	1200	795	2363	21	48	30	14	88	167	
27	8		15		131	131	3	10	5	3	5	1075	1100	175	2665	8	94	80	20	166	159	
28	4	3			59	55	28	16	2	4	156	676	625	1648	23	22	50	8	64	100		
29	10	32	4	7	525	958	220	168	99	11	26	416	2110	2980	7513	19	77	115	51	575	661	
30	12	6			311	424	308	146	63	7	21	382	2000	16169	19823	113	27	59	16	148	199	
31	3	34	10		90	53	37	26	6	2	2	607	1500	1472	3783	14	55	176	55	611	505	
32	5	9	1		70	118	2	24	6	2	2	8	800	172	1224	7	74	44	14	116	105	
33	1	8	13		68	127	5	35	24	2	6	89	1000	345	1747	11	96	51	13	150	119	
34	10	8			49	41	1	30	5		3	57	5	5	132	854	10	67	55	13	65	52
35	5	3											208	146	354	6	80	30	8	46	39	
36																	*50	*14	*14			
37	32	2			5								208	21	234	3	11		7	30	12	
																		10	100			

MINISTERS AND CORRESPONDENTS FOR VACANCIES.	POST OFFICE AND STATE.	CONGREGATION.	Elders.	Communicants.	Increase.		
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<b>Allegheny.—Con.</b>							
J. M. Moore, Ph.D., Prin., S. S.	Chase City, Va.	<i>Pastoral Charges, 27.</i>					
W. M. Fowkes, Prin., S. S.	Abbyville, do	<i>Missionary Societies, 44.</i>					
John A. Ramsey	Princeton, Ind.	<i>Sabbath Schools, 36.</i>					
R. Reed McClure—40	New Wilmington, Pa.	<i>Young People's Societies, 42.</i>	151	6954	484	324	1
<b>Licentiates, 3.</b>	<b>Students, 13.</b>						
<b>Argyle.</b>							
Henry Gordon, D. D.	Coila, N. Y.	Coila †	4	195	7		2
G. M. Wiley	West Hebron, do	West Hebron †	5	200	5		3
Wm. A. Mackenzie, S. C.	Salem, do	Salem †	4	281	7	2	4
Willard S. McEachron	West Hebron, do	Hebron †	9	270	6	7	5
T. B. Turnbull, D. D.	Argyle, do	Argyle †	8	359	7		6
J. A. Reynolds, D. D.	Putnam, do	Putnam †	7	159	6	2	7
A. W. Morris	Greenwich, do	Greenwich †	2	124	1	3	8
C. C. French	East Greenwich, do	E. Greenwich †	4	150			9
W. J. McMichael	Cossayuna, do	South Argyle †	7	258	42	2	10
G. W. Bovard	North Argyle, do	N. Argyle †	5	210	12	4	12
A. A. Graham	Cambridge, do	Cambridge †	4	123	3	12	1
<i>Correspondent.</i>		<i>Vacancy.</i>					
Walter S. King	Shushan, do	Shushan—12 †	4	162	4	2	13
<i>Without Charge.</i>		*Shushan salary by endowment.					
J. B. Scouler, D. D.	Newville, Pa.						
John Crawford, D. D.	Damascus, Syria.						
W. B. Shortt	Cambridge, N. Y.						
W. E. Henning—15	Glens Falls, do	<i>Pastoral Charges, 12.</i>					
		<i>Missionary Societies, 14.</i>					
		<i>Sabbath Schools, 12.</i>					
		<i>Young People's Societies, 12.</i>	63	2491	100	36	14
<b>Licentiates, 1.</b>	<b>Students, 1.</b>						
<b>Arkansas Valley.</b>							
J. S. Turnbull	Peotone, Kas.	Ninnescah	4	48			15
James A. Lawrence, S. C.	Wichita, do	Wichita	4	150	5	21	16
J. C. Gibney	Sunny Dale, do	Sunny Dale †	4	60	4	6	17
David Inches	Stafford, do	Stafford	5	51	4	8	18
W. L. Garges	Newton, do	Newton	4	53	5	5	19
W. T. Moffet, D. D.	Arkansas City, do	Arkansas City	5	93	9	10	20
J. Carl Orth	Walton, do	Walton †	5	120	8	1	21
C. H. Strong, D. D.	Sterling, do	Sterling (3)	7	281	6	44	22
<i>Correspondents.</i>		<i>Vacancies.</i>					
Joseph Gondie	Anthony, do	{ Anthony, 1/2	3	23			23
A. R. Anderson	Mayfield, do	{ Chikaskia, 1/2	3	53			24
W. H. Samules	Duquoin, do	{ Duquoin, 1/2	3	43			25
W. B. Hemphill	Pretty Prairie, do	{ Pretty Prairie, 1/2	3	28		1	26
J. M. Bonner	Jetmore, do	{ Jetmore, 1/2	2	49	4		27
C. H. Huston	Towner, Col.	{ Towner, 1/2	3	27		8	28
H. L. Anderson	La Crosse, Kas.	La Crosse—15	2	33	1	1	29
<i>Without Charge.</i>							
E. C. Cooper	Kingman, do	Note.—1st and 2d					
A. B. McCarroll	Sterling, do	Sterling consolidated					
F. M. Spencer, D. D., Pres	do						
W. C. Somers—12	Sunny Dale, do						
		<i>Pastoral Charges, 12.</i>					
		<i>Missionary Societies, 12.</i>					
		<i>Sabbath Schools, 16.</i>					
		<i>Young People's Societies, 13.</i>					
<b>Licentiates, 0.</b>	<b>Students, 1.</b>		57	1103	46	105	30

	Dece'se		Bapt'ms.		CONTRIBUTIONS.														S. SCHOOLS.			
	Deaths.	Removals.	Infant.	Adult.	Foreign Missions.	Home Missions.	Freedmen's Missions.	Church Extension.	Education.	Assembly's Fund.	Ministerial Relief.	General Contribut'ns.	Salary by Congregat'n.	Congregat'l Expenses.	Total Amount.	Average per Member.	Members of Young People's Societies.	Officers and Teachers.	Number of Scholars.	Contributions.		
1	86	480	223	47	12675	10535	4138	4448	6935	221	852	33083	40377	51925	165189	24 25	2428	757	6777	8486		
2	2	5	4	1	193	179	90	90	18	6	14	250	1100	200	2140	10 97	33	10	75	47		
3	3	2	2	1	126	172	88	77	11	5	9	128	728	184	1528	7 64	61	15	123	73		
4	6	7	5	.....	382	321	137	131	77	9	20	260	1500	632	3469	12 44	68	25	197	421		
5	2	31	10	1	298	267	125	124	20	5	20	145	1000	364	2368	8 77	97	17	163	219		
6	9	10	6	.....	418	357	170	117	19	5	17	150	1500	516	3269	9 10	85	15	176	87		
7	2	10	4	4	115	132	75	45	10	3	11	.....	800	238	1429	8 98	28	14	110	116		
8	3	3	1	.....	94	74	40	36	8	2	2	97	600	267	1220	9 83	61	14	108	82		
9	3	13	1	.....	162	151	75	75	41	5	11	229	800	232	1784	11 89	68	15	123	110		
10	4	12	12	11	245	232	105	105	43	11	5	180	1000	650	2576	9 69	51	13	147	138		
11	6	13	11	8	211	238	140	98	58	6	15	160	1000	284	2410	10 52	54	17	160	118		
12	1	3	3	.....	135	103	49	31	10	3	7	183	1000	447	1968	16 00	48	13	100	103		
13	4	7	4	.....	137	142	56	56	23	5	10	116	*1200	481	1026	6 33	82	20	178	110		
14	42	116	64	25	2516	2368	1150	985	341	65	141	1898	11028	4495	24987	10 03	730	188	1670	1629		
15	2	4	3	.....	47	21	45	5	5	1	4	129	374	69	700	14 58	20	11	70	15		
16	4	37	4	3	75	23	14	17	3	1	2	89	707	323	1254	8 36	80	22	250	164		
17	6	.....	1	.....	28	28	2	2	1	1	1	15	500	296	874	14 56	20	11	65	39		
18	2	15	2	1	11	14	1	1	.....	.....	1	40	335	43	446	8 74	25	11	75	23		
19	5	1	2	2	29	20	9	15	16	.....	5	19	309	140	553	10 43	28	11	75	48		
20	26	2	4	1	106	75	20	17	20	4	4	28	400	170	844	9 07	27	13	86	45		
21	2	4	1	.....	135	30	43	5	10	44	.....	92	800	360	1360	11 33	84	15	140	100		
22	2	33	5	1	36	45	5	10	44	.....	13	190	1000	318	1651	5 91	105	33	290	147		
23	.....	10	.....	.....	3	4	3	3	.....	.....	.....	.....	35	.....	35	1 52	.....	.....	.....	.....		
24	4	.....	.....	.....	10	17	5	3	.....	.....	.....	.....	253	62	328	6 18	12	8	49	12		
25	4	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	120	18	175	4 07	37	9	36	4		
26	11	2	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	55	.....	.....	.....	150	300	509	18 17	29	6	40	8		
27	1	5	.....	.....	5	2	.....	.....	1	.....	.....	.....	42	12	78	1 95	29	10	80	20		
28	3	4	.....	.....	9	20	.....	.....	10	.....	.....	.....	54	10	93	3 44	20	7	45	16		
29	1	1	1	.....	5	11	3	10	10	.....	.....	.....	175	504	718	21 75	30	7	48	33		
30	11	166	28	11	499	314	150	83	155	7	30	620	5245	2525	9628	8 72	537	174	1349	674		

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<b>Beaver Valley.</b>										
Robt. Audley Browne, D. D.	New Castle,	Pa. New Castle, 1st	7	292	5	13	1			
John Smith Dice	Mount Air,	do Bethel	9	182	11	2	2			
J. Q. A. McDowell, D. D.	New Castle,	do New Castle, 2d	3	40	10	39	3			
John Jay Ralston	Portersville,	do Mountville, 1/2	5	95	3	6	4			
do	do	do Portersville, 1/2	7	155	14	1	5			
J. S. T. Milligan	Esther,	do Four Mile	6	137	6	1	6			
Robt. Lamont Hay, S. C.	New Brighton,	do New Brighton, 1st	4	297	16	8	7			
Robt. W. Kidd	Beaver Falls,	do Beaver Falls	8	376	25	31	8			
John A. Bailey	Mount Jackson,	do Mount Jackson	6	156	5		9			
John W. Birnley	Lowellville,	O. Mahoning, 1/2	5	136	6	3	10			
do	do	do Harbor, 1/2	5	86	1		11			
David M. Cleland	Ellwood City,	Pa. Ellwood	3	130	24	22	12			
Harry H. Crawford	Beaver,	do Beaver	3	200	16	17	13			
James Gerald Houston	Darlington,	do Darlington	2	113	2	5	14			
Thomas Lawrence Rose	New Castle,	do Centre, 3/4	6	141	11	1	15			
S. M. Black, S. S.	New Wilmington,	do Remington, 1/2	2	48	8	1	16			
<i>Correspondents.</i>										
Henry McCreery	Clover,	do Shenango	2	53	4	3	17			
James Reynolds	New Castle,	do {Neshannock, 1/2	4	98	1	1	18			
T. H. Wilson	Rose Point,	do {Oak Grove, 1/2	4	121			19			
John M. Kelso	New Galilee,	do Rocky Springs	6	124	3	1	20			
Joseph Mehard, Sr.	Wurtemburg,	do {Wurtemburg, 1/2	3	60			21			
Wm. Nevin	Lillyville,	do {Camp Run, 1/2	4	112	2	2	22			
James Boggs	Rochester,	do Oakland	1	70	3	1	23			
James McAnis	Wampum,	do Wampum—24	2	30		4	24			
<i>Without Charge.</i>										
Hugh Sturgeon	Darlington,	do								
Thomas W. Winter	Newcastle,	do								
Thomas A. Houston	New Wilmington,	do								
Joseph J. Sharp	do	do								
John W. Cleland—19	Ellwood City,	do								
<i>Licentiates, 1.</i>			<i>Students, 1.</i>			107	3612	176	162	25
<b>Big Spring.</b>										
A. S. Aiken	Airville,	Pa. Lower Chanceford	4	142	8	3	26			
G. M. Reed	Newville,	do Big Spring	7	202	12	1	27			
J. L. Grove	McConnellsburg,	do The Cove	3	70	2	2	28			
H. N. Freeman	McAlevy's Fort,	do Stone Valley	5	176	5	2	29			
W. C. Adair	McCoysville,	do Tuscarora, 3/4	5	161	3	2	30			
do	do	do Concord, 1/2	3	73	4		31			
R. G. Pinkerton	Muddy Cr'k Forks,	do Guinston	8	167	3	1	32			
<i>Correspondents.</i>										
Harvey Rankin	Mercersburg,	do Mercersburg		15			33			
W. E. Guthrie, P. E.	Mexico,	do Mexico, (2)	3	89	2	1	34			
Archibald Hyson	Cross Roads,	do Hopewell	3	93	1		35			
<i>Without Charge.</i>										
J. B. Work, S. C.	Indiana,	do								
Samuel Jamison, D. D.	Muddy Cr'k Forks,	do								
Francis McBurney	Mexico,	do								
J. M. Adair	Huntingdon,	do								
John Jamison—11	Laurel,	do								
<i>Licentiates, 0.</i>			<i>Students, 1.</i>			41	1188	40	12	36
<b>Boston.</b>										
M. S. McCord, D. D.	Providence,	R. I. 1st Providence	4	168	4	6	37			
George Kerr	Chicopee,	Mass. Chicopee	5	123	13	3	38			
W. J. Martin, S. C.	Fall River,	do Fall River, (2)	4	295	11	8	39			
J. O. Paisley	Cambridge,	do Cambridge	3	225	12	20	40			
S. B. Haslett	Wilkinsonville,	do Wilkinsonville	3	63	2	1	41			
T. M. Huston	Whitinsville,	do Whitinsville	2	192	7	19	42			
H. F. Given	Providence,	R. I. 2d Providence	3	108	19	2	43			
W. M. Barr	Central Falls,	do Central Falls	2	90	3	7	44			
H. G. McVey	Lawrence,	Mass. Lawrence	2	200	14	11	45			
Robert Hughes	Worcester,	do Worcester	4	70	25	28	46			
W. A. McClymonds	Clinton,	do Clinton	3	148	10	6	47			
A. K. MacLennan	Boston,	do Boston	5	115	15	17	48			



Deaths.	Removals.	Dec'rse Bapt'ms.		CONTRIBUTIONS.													S. SCHOOLS.			
		Infant.	Adult.	Foreign Missions.	Home Missions.	Freedmen's Missions	Church Extension.	Education.	Assembly's Fund.	Ministerial Relief.	General Contribut'ns.	Salary by Congregat'n.	Congregat'l Expenses.	Total Amount.	Average per Member.	Members of Young People's Societies.	Officers and Teachers.	Number of Scholars.	Contributions.	
1	7	4	8	3	176	145	55	19	3	6	173	1000	467	2044	7 00	75	15	133	108	
2	3	12	5	6	92	110	89	89	30	5	10	36	700	113	1274	7 00	50	9	113	74
3	7	29	11	3	168	138	73	49	29	5	5	69	1600	1085	3221	8 05	90	29	230	178
4	2	5	3	.....	128	127	75	55	27	3	10	6	500	141	1072	11 28	.....	14	107	124
5	5	10	5	3	112	102	87	81	24	3	7	9	500	137	1062	6 85	32	13	122	94
6	2	.....	3	.....	12	32	20	12	.....	2	.....	55	500	86	719	5 24	40	9	92	25
7	4	.....	7	3	229	273	125	90	25	10	16	32	1200	961	2961	9 97	125	30	295	363
8	1	18	10	1	353	226	146	80	19	30	20	136	1800	1791	4601	12 23	100	36	316	254
9	4	2	3	.....	92	46	41	28	15	3	15	29	800	179	1248	8 00	25	12	73	76
10	3	8	9	1	53	44	47	5	6	7	4	160	600	2326	3252	23 91	42	13	144	89
11	2	10	2	1	26	35	20	8	12	3	2	87	300	42	535	6 22	44	13	59	41
12	21	6	7	13	193	273	110	67	24	9	14	462	600	140	796	6 12	55	7	85	101
13	4	11	3	5	198	273	110	67	24	9	14	462	1200	351	2708	13 54	75	16	125	130
14	1	1	3	.....	127	111	69	19	.....	.....	.....	25	675	115	1146	10 14	34	11	97	85
15	3	13	1	.....	66	60	26	5	2	2	4	72	533	185	1015	7 20	30	11	130	49
16	1	6	4	3	12	18	8	13	.....	2	.....	354	72	479	9 97	38	8	64	52	
17	5	4	4	1	89	81	43	12	8	10	5	25	435	103	811	8 28	40	15	117	81
18	2	14	4	.....	93	106	63	51	.....	3	3	21	450	185	978	8 08	20	8	80	66
19	4	3	3	.....	55	45	38	11	5	.....	4	4	614	126	902	7 28	40	13	68	47
20	3	3	1	2	55	45	38	11	5	.....	4	4	614	126	902	7 28	40	13	68	47
21	3	2	2	.....	100	50	25	30	5	5	5	66	324	30	354	5 40	30	.....	.....	.....
22	2	5	2	1	100	50	25	30	5	5	5	66	372	63	7 21	6 43	.....	14	80	33
23	11	1	.....	.....	23	16	8	7	.....	2	.....	260	40	356	5 08	.....	7	50	15	.....
24	.....	.....	.....	.....	8	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	106	114	.....	3 80	.....	.....	.....	.....
25	56	212	98	40	2225	2062	1183	741	234	101	135	1467	15677	8894	32719	9 05	1012	314	2610	2110
26	1	4	5	1	79	85	53	61	6	1	3	46	650+	106	1090	7 68	66	14	102	50
27	2	3	7	1	161	193	82	69	45	6	14	1000+	791	2361	11 69	37	16	148	107	
28	4	4	4	1	121	81	32	32	19	5	2	11	660	82	1045	14 93	21	10	70	101
29	3	4	4	1	143	150	98	66	31	5	10	90	800+	251	1644	9 34	68	20	162	.....
30	5	2	4	2	120	55	49	41	8	.....	4	12	600+	89	978	6 07	50	19	140	160
31	1	3	3	1	64	61	38	21	9	.....	2	200	301	696	9 53	22	11	50	67	.....
32	1	5	3	1	54	31	21	9	7	.....	6	31	800+	828	1787	10 70	69	15	156	44
33	.....	.....	.....	.....	3	2	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	33	.....	.....	.....	.....
34	1	.....	.....	1	37	29	2	1	1	1	5	96	380	122	674	7 57	40	21	195	65
35	3	3	1	.....	30	46	15	10	3	1	1	100	600+	32	838	9 01	.....	6	60	12
36	14	28	33	10	812	733	390	310	129	19	47	386	5690	2602	11118	9 35	373	132	1083	506
37	1	17	2	.....	126	94	50	60	10	.....	10	87	1770	659	2866	17 05	40	15	65	110
38	8	6	.....	.....	32	23	10	60	10	5	10	250	2000	1297	3697	12 60	105	38	300	512
39	5	11	2	.....	16	45	.....	20	.....	.....	.....	691	1500	791	3063	13 61	50	16	180	156
40	2	20	19	.....	25	25	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	168	1071	301	1590	25 24	18	12	65	115
41	4	2	1	.....	65	50	35	20	2	1	1	25	1100	900	2199	11 45	121	18	168	116
42	9	11	.....	.....	50	.....	44	.....	.....	.....	.....	34	846	673	1647	15 25	94	16	155	79
43	1	3	1	.....	60	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	600	2576	3176	35 29	38	12	125	91
44	1	19	6	1	110	48	40	50	.....	.....	.....	111	1200	572	2131	10 65	40	20	170	368
45	3	7	13	1	110	48	40	50	.....	.....	.....	111	1200	572	2131	10 65	40	20	170	368
46	23	9	2	.....	15	5	5	5	.....	3	.....	.....	600	164	792	11 32	87	13	85	.....
47	3	15	18	.....	10	36	.....	5	.....	.....	.....	4	726	619	1400	9 46	55	12	95	47
48	4	13	5	2	100	85	42	42	27	5	10	20	1499	1001	2831	24 62	67	9	50	53

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<b>Boston.—Con.</b>							
W. W. Dornan.....	Quincy, Mass.	Quincy.....	4	60	30	30	1
D. A. McPhie, P. E. <i>Without Charge.</i>	Lowell, do	Lowell—14.....	7	136	5	1	2
John Hood—15.....	Boston, do	<i>Pastoral Charges, 14. Missionary Societies, 11. Sabbath Schools, 15. Young People's Societies, 14.</i>					
<i>Licentiates, 0.</i>	<i>Students, 0.</i>		51	1993	170	159	3
<b>Brookville.</b>							
James Given.....	Rochester Mills, Pa.	Richmond, $\frac{3}{8}$ .....	3	43			4
do	do	Susquehanna, $\frac{1}{4}$ .....	3	32		1	5
do	do	Plum Creek, $\frac{3}{8}$ .....	6	112	3		6
W. D. Ewing, S. C.....	Elkin, do	Beracha, $\frac{1}{2}$ .....	4	69	1		7
do	do	Smyrna, $\frac{3}{8}$ .....	4	70	2		8
do	do	Mahoning, $\frac{1}{2}$ .....	3	54	2		9
Albert S. Stewart.....	Redclyffe, do	Redclyffe, $\frac{1}{2}$ .....	3	51	1		10
R. M. Patterson.....	Atwood, do	Dayton, $\frac{1}{2}$ .....	3	77	2		11
do	do	Atwood, $\frac{1}{2}$ .....	3	76	7	1	12
J. T. Adams.....	Brookville, do	Brookville, $\frac{1}{2}$ .....	4	160	23	5	13
do	do	Jefferson, $\frac{1}{2}$ .....	3	155	6	4	14
<i>Correspondents.</i>							
Wm. Breakey.....	Stanton, do	(Beaver Run.....	3	93	2		15
Wm. Hillis.....	Rimersburg, do	Cherry Run.....	3	55	1		16
J. M. Gibson.....	Templeton, do	(Mt. Zion.....	4	60	4	2	17
Stuchel Lydiek.....	Decker's Point, do	Oakland.....	3	21			18
J. B. Ferguson.....	Lumber City, do	Lumber City.....	1	18			19
J. W. Morrow, M. D. <i>Without Charge.</i>	Tionesta, do	Tionesta—17.....	1	3			20
Samuel Brown—6.....	Willett, do	<i>Pastoral Charges, 6. Missionary Societies, 13. Sabbath Schools, 15. Young People's Societies, 7.</i>					
<i>Licentiates, 0.</i>	<i>Students, 0.</i>		55	1149	54	19	21
<b>Butler.</b>							
Samuel Kear, D. D.....	Harrisville, Pa.	Harmony.....	6	296	9	4	22
J. J. Imbrie.....	do	West Unity.....	7	127	11	6	23
do	do	Scotch Hill.....	4	123	15	2	24
do	do	Ebenezer.....	5	87	4	1	25
John S. McKee, D. D.....	Butler, do	Butler.....	5	506	20	21	26
J. H. Breaden.....	West Sunbury, do	West Sunbury.....	8	201	5	7	27
W. J. Cooper.....	Butler, do	Clinton, $\frac{1}{2}$ .....	5	112	10		28
do	do	Shilon, $\frac{1}{2}$ .....	4	85	4		29
R. M. Sherrard.....	Baldwin, do	Fairview, $\frac{1}{2}$ .....	6	138	19	1	30
A. B. Diekie, S. C.....	Harrisville, do	Bethel, $\frac{1}{2}$ .....	3	70	1	2	31
do	do	Springfield.....	6	125	2	2	32
J. O. McConnell.....	Slippery Rock, do	Centreville.....	6	165	9	10	33
T. V. Dugan.....	Slate Lfck, do	Buffalo, $\frac{1}{2}$ + $\frac{1}{2}$ .....	6	97	6	7	34
do	do	Worthington, $\frac{1}{2}$ .....	4	90	10	1	35
R. A. Gillilan.....	Myoma, do	Union, $\frac{1}{2}$ .....	7	168	8		36
W. E. Purvis.....	Freeport, do	Allegheny.....	4	59			37
do	do	Freeport.....	5	147	7	4	38
W. S. Riehie.....	Eakins Corners, do	East Unity, $\frac{1}{2}$ .....	9	188	22	5	39
W. G. Martin.....	Grove City, do	Grove City.....	5	262	9	9	40
William J. Grimes.....	Conoquenessing, do	White Oak Springs.....	7	188	19	5	41
R. P. McClester.....	Slippery Rock, do	Clintonville, $\frac{1}{2}$ .....	6	87	2		42
do	do	West Liberty, $\frac{1}{2}$ .....	3	90	10	2	43
M. A. Eakin.....	Prospect, do	Prospect, $\frac{1}{2}$ .....	8	170	24	12	44
do	do	Mt. Chestnut, $\frac{1}{2}$ .....	6	108	10	7	45
J. M. Dight.....	Trail, do	Zelienople, $\frac{1}{2}$ .....	2	67	21	25	46
do	do	Mt. Pleasant, $\frac{1}{2}$ .....	4	94	6	13	47
Wm. J. Reid, Jr.....	Kittanning, do	Kittanning, $\frac{1}{2}$ .....	3	95	2	10	48
R. M. Sherrard, S. S.....	Baldwin, do	Mt. Varnum.....	4	50	7	2	49
R. P. McClester, S. S.....	Slippery Rock, do	Slippery Rock.....	5	55	1		50
<i>Correspondents.</i>							
John B. Dodds.....	Brownsdale, do	Brownsdale.....	1	45		2	51

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1													900	300	1200	20 00					
2	1	24	13		5	15	5	5				950	350	1330	9 78	52	9	8	45	24	
3		21	171	121	10	489	486	187	311	49	14	31	1390	15762	10563	29282	14 69	912	208	1694	1761
4		2	4		20	10	11	4	4			8	150	35	242	5 62		3	13	13	
5			3		5	2	2					4	112	5	130	4 06		5	30	5	
6	2	3	3	2	30	30	26	6	5			3	300	32	443	3 95		4	48	31	
7	4	4	1		40	26	22	14	4			4	22	40	416	6 02	25	9	60	25	
8	1	3	3		43	32	30	30	2			2	225	40	417	5 95		8	60	41	
9	2	9	3		29	28	16	12	2			2	200	31	322	6 14	25	5	50	40	
10	4	3			50	67	10	5	3			13	250	61	459	9 00	22	7	55	40	
11	1	1	3		18	14	5	4				14	400	35	490	6 36		9	47	32	
12	1	6	7	2	25	16		5	5				400	61	507	6 67		11	52	25	
13	24	5	2		40	15	10	5	5			3	500	100	710	4 43	40	10	75	40	
14	21	5	1		48	22	27	2				3	45	500	50	697	4 49	60	12	125	25
15	2	3	2	1	20	30		9					314	42	415	4 46	49	12	75	29	
16	2	2			3	2	4	6					200	25	240	4 36		6	30	10	
17		3	2		7								180	10	197	3 28		6	30	10	
18		1											90		90	4 28					
19					13								75	50	138	7 66	15	6	20	12	
20					15	11	8	7	5	2	3	5			56	18 66					
21	13	83	44	10	412	305	171	109	28	5	22	168	4136	623	5979	5 20	227	116	770	381	
22	2	3	7	1	181	96	98	49	18	4	9	90	1000	214	1750	5 94	70	22	202	139	
23	4	29	9	2	15	11	6	5	4	1	2	97	375	57	572	4 50	46	11	50	19	
24	19	3	2		17	22	16	17				15	400	212	639	5 63		12	140	55	
25	3	3	2	2	25	15	26	16				5	63	225	48	423	4 86	45	12	64	44
26	3	18	17	2	515	457	233	226	131	14	34	375	1500	3359	682	13 50	112	22	220	295	
27	6	6	4		30	65	96	30	18	5	10	384	900	225	1763	8 27	60	12	135	135	
28	8	14			43	32	33	19	11	2	7	25	400	50	622	5 55	70	8	70	60	
29	8	4			58	55	24	39	11	2	5	50	400	50	694	7 30	25	8	50	50	
30	1	5	2		118	109	30	79	32	4	8	218	900	439	1937	14 77	50	14	113	67	
31	2	1	2		66	34	32	7	1			5	30	375	80	630	9 00	36	8	60	20
32	3	4	4	1	80	43	60	12	5	1	9	20	450	50	730	5 88	32	14	80	50	
33	3	11	10	1	158	147	74	74	43	5	11	91	900	347	1850	11 2	60	13	125	95	
34		4			110	98	85	46	20	8	5	95	450	117	1034	10 65	42	13	96	114	
35		1	3		37	38	20					5	26	400	50	576	6 49	40	11	80	30
36	2	10	10		114	108	85	85	19	2	8	22	833	154	1430	8 51	35	10	120	127	
37	1	1			5	11	3	3					176	118	316	6 32		6	20	11	
38	4	20	6	3	84	207	95	74		5	11	138	1000	313	1927	13 11	70	10	60	238	
39	2	19	6	1	180	167	119	84	49	6	13	75	800	1147	2640	14 04	60	11	131	73	
40	2	8	5	2	189	182	91	72	35	7	21	175	1000	195	1967	7 50	67	18	150	165	
41	6	14	8	2	134	115	93	64	7	3	25		800	800	2041	10 85	102	15	90	110	
42		6			70	40	49	32	2	3	6	39	450	168	850	9 77	25	9	55	24	
43	3	3	10	6	60	27	29	22				6	50	400	45	641	7 12		8	50	24
44	3	3	2	2	86	90	75	37	21	4	9	33	600	113	1068	6 28	115	11	159	45	
45	5	26	1	1	31	25	16	15	5	3	4	30	400	134	663	6 14	50	8	80	35	
46	24	2	5									10	400	70	480	7 17		10	116	25	
47	1	6			13	12	7	7	2	1	2	64	500	75	683	7 27		8	62	27	
48	1	3	2		20	49	8	10	5			5	606	798	1504	15 83	40	15	103	59	
49		37			15	15	3	3				2	150	219	409	8 78	23	10	70	30	
50			1		45	27	24	16	5	1	2	18	250	40	428	7 38		6	40	17	
51	1	6			50	36	20	24	10	5	4	70	300	50	569	12 64	15	7	40	10	

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<b>Butler.—Con.</b>						
Wm. Lyons .....	Adrian,	Pa Rich Hill .....		**66		1
<i>Without Charge.</i>		Holyoke—32 .....	4	*52		2
J. B. McClelland, Prof.....	Grove City,	do <i>Pastoral Charges</i> , 21.				
Wm. Cooke, Inf.....	Centretown,	do <i>Missionary Socie-</i>				
R. G. Young—21 .....	Boone,	Iowa. <i>ties</i> , 24.				
		<i>Sabbath Schools</i> , 30.				
		<i>Young People's So-</i>	158	4214	273	182
		<i>cieties</i> , 24.				3
<i>Licentiates</i> , 5.	<i>Students</i> , 2.					
<b>Caledonia.</b>						
J. P. Sankey, D. D. ....	Rochester,	N. Y. Rochester .....	6	501	9	14
A. B. Gillilan .....	Peoria,	do Covington † .....	4	205	19	4
James B. Lee, D. D. ....	Franklinville,	do Franklinville .....	4	212	5	1
Kenneth M. Craig .....	Towlesville,	do Howard † .....	6	113	7	4
S. M. Bailey .....	Buffalo,	do 1st Buffalo † .....	8	323	9	32
A. R. Munford, S. C. ....	York,	do York † .....	3	272	21	10
R. B. Stewart .....	Cuylerville,	do Cuylerville † .....	3	69	6	2
Huber Ferguson .....	Caledonia,	do Caledonia † .....	4	243	15	5
David Anderson, S. S. ....	Buffalo,	do 2d Buffalo .....	4	107	18	13
James Jack, S. S. ....	Sterling Valley,	do Sterling Valley † .....	3	108	5	13
<i>Correspondents.</i>		<i>Vacancies.</i>				
James Scott .....	Elgin,	do Lyndon † .....	3	73	18	3
Lewis Hibbard .....	Mumford,	do Beulah † .....	3	55		15
Alex. F. McPherson .....	Mumford,	do Mumford—13 .....	6	120		16
<i>Without Charge.</i>						
F. J. Orr .....	Franklinville,	do <i>Pastoral Charges</i> , 13.				
D. L. McNary—11 .....	St. Cloud,	Pa. <i>Missionary Socie-</i>				
		<i>ties</i> , 16.				
		<i>Sabbath Schools</i> , 13.				
		<i>Young People's So-</i>	57	2401	132	88
		<i>cieties</i> , 21.				17
<i>Licentiates</i> , 1.	<i>Students</i> , 0.					
<b>Cedar Rapids.</b>						
J. M. Hamilton, S. C. ....	Reinbeck,	Iowa. Amity † .....	7	150	9	6
J. A. Monteith .....	Cedar Rapids,	do 1st Cedar Rapids † .....	6	178	6	3
G. I. Findley .....	Goldfield,	do Goldfield † .....	5	126	16	13
W. H. Anderson .....	Garner,	do Garner .....	5	133	13	10
W. A. Campbell .....	Mt. Auburn,	do Pratt Creek, (2) † .....	7	124	1	3
A. R. Paul .....	Clarion,	do Clarion .....	4	80	3	4
R. E. Lackey .....	Traer,	do Traer † .....	4	170	10	15
James Gordon, S. S. ....	Fairfax,	do Fairfax † .....	3	41	8	1
H. B. Turner, S. S. ....	Cedar Rapids,	do 2d Cedar Rapids † .....	1	56		10
E. A. Brownlee .....	Blue Earth City, Minn.	Rome .....	**	8		27
<i>Correspondent.</i>		<i>Vacancy.</i>				
J. S. Gibson .....	Dewar,	Iowa. Barclay—11 .....	2	50	28	28
<i>Without Charge.</i>						
A. J. Allen .....	Cedar Rapids,	do <i>Pastoral Charges</i> , 11.				
J. M. Henderson—12 .....	Traer,	do <i>Missionary Socie-</i>				
		<i>ties</i> , 13.				
		<i>Sabbath Schools</i> , 11.				
		<i>Young People's So-</i>	44	1116	94	65
		<i>cieties</i> , 14.				29
<i>Licentiates</i> , 0.	<i>Students</i> , 0.					
<b>Chartiers.</b>						
John T. Brownlee, D. D. ....	West Middletown,	Pa. Mt. Hope .....	6	92	1	3
A. R. Anderson, D. D. ....	Venice,	do Venice .....	6	155	6	8
W. A. McConnell, D. D. ....	Hickory,	do Mt. Pleasant .....	6	230	9	2
Alex. McLachlan .....	Claysville,	do Claysville .....		198	1	10
William B. Smiley .....	Canonsburg,	do Chartiers .....	9	380	9	3
Joseph H. Timmons .....	McConnell's Mills,	do Chartiers X Roads .....	4	170	10	2
John B. Jamison .....	Buffalo,	do North Buffalo † .....	3	121	6	3
W. J. Graham .....	Midway,	do Center .....	7	215	8	5
Elmer E. Douglass, S. C. ....	Houstonville,	do Houstonville .....	6	219	11	17
Clark W. Comin .....	Eighty-four,	do Pigeon Creek † .....	7	152	3	1
George R. Murray .....	Thomas,	do Mt. Prospect † .....	4	138	1	25
David R. McDonald .....	Canonsburg,	do Canonsburg .....	7	214	4	14
Henry W. Temple .....	Washington,	do 1st Washington .....	6	267	12	8

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	Deaths.	Removals.	Infant.	Adult.	Foreign Missions.	Home Missions.	Freedmen's Missions.	Church Extension.	Education.	Assembly's Fund.	Ministerial Relief.	General Contribut'ns.	Salary by Congregat'n.	Congregat'l Expenses.	Total Amount.	Average per Member.	Members of Young People's Society.	Officers and Teachers.	Number of Scholars.	Contributions.	
1																					
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3	55	273	161	39	2549	2333	1540	1164	454	93	228	2308	17340	9728	37737	9 21	1246	342	2811	2149	
4	8	14	15	4	400	225	75	55	20	5	25	205	1500	1000	3510	7 00	85	33	240	525	
5	3	15	3	7	42	40	14	20				146	900	130	1292	6 30	40	10	75	48	
6	3	118	11	3	109	96	5	10	5	2		710	1200	215	2343	11 05	111	17	160	115	
7	3	5			5	5	4	7	4	1	3		500	100	629	5 72	40	7	50	8	
8	2	19	6		324	260	37	89		10	15	56	1600	1720	4111	12 72	125	25	241	382	
9	2	34	10	2	125	247	64	58		7	11	127	1000	503	2142	7 87	121	16	120	110	
10	2				22	22	10	17				13	500	122	706	10 23	53	14	75	52	
11	7	19	12	9	276	180	60	61	35	12	9	40	1000	560	2233	9 19	111	16	172	67	
12	4	20	3	3	25	22	14	15	2	2	3	50	700	649	1482	13 85	71	12	90	73	
13	5	5		3	2	3	2				2		575	182	766	7 09		10	44	28	
14		16	6	10		13						70	221	17	321	4 40	42	11	51	11	
15	4	9				7							370	70	447	8 12	30	8	52	8	
16		10			29		13			2		135	800		979	8 15	82	11	92	46	
17	52	178	75	46	1350	1120	298	332	66	41	68	1552	10466	5268	20961	8 73	911	190	1462	1473	
18	3	6	10	3	138	138	66	66	49	3	5	136	800	455	1856	12 37	50	16	222	96	
19	4	4	2	3	138	113	99	57	10	3	20	147	1000	508	2095	11 76	40	20	210	141	
20	1	124	2		84	56	19	23	17		2	19	650	257	1127	8 94	70	13	120	82	
21	2	16	3	4	173	142	69	59	35	4	9	429	800	295	2015	15 15	72	11	133	125	
22	1		6		75	50	35	20	30	3	7	276	800	252	1548	12 48	77	13	125	75	
23		3	7	3	28	24	7	10				86	500	830	1485	18 56	37	10	94	38	
24	1	19	5	1	243	185	93	81	22	5	12	53	900	542	2136	12 56	104	12	155	81	
25		2	9		60	115	10	1	1	1	1	33	700	319	1082	26 39	31	9	41	55	
26		26	1		10	5	7					20	700	204	94	16 89	18	7	50	30	
27																					
28	1	8	4	17	6	6							5	425	88	530	10 60	50	7	49	20
29	13	108	42	31	910	729	396	317	164	19	56	1204	7275	3750	14820	13 37	549	118	1199	743	
30	1		2		92	85	43	43	26	3	7	13	500	77	889	9 66	40	8	40	51	
31	3	14	6		426	359	92	116	290		9	42	1000	2908	5242	33 82	50	27	276	271	
32	3	2	5	3	275	257	128	128	61	6	16	36	1000	646	2533	11 10	69	22	210	439	
33	2	4	4	1	227	221	95	60	20	10	28	200	1400	454	2715	13 71	70	12	135	134	
34	7	16	10		508	433	209	179	156	10	27	152	1500	486	3630	9 63	194	29	300	396	
35	4	8	12	3	300	200	150				25	70	1000	240	1985	11 62	50	12	90	150	
36		3	4	3	91	121	66	52	15	5	15	93	800	4048	5306	43 85	40	11	112	59	
37	3	30			224	216	177	108	21	7	65	485	1000	524	2827	13 25	110	20	300	285	
38	3	22	17	3	60	115	60	32	10	3	3	46	1000	436	1765	8 06	95	17	150	85	
39	6	3	1		223	117	37	36		5	10	38	1000	156	1622	10 67	45	10	103	95	
40	1	4	4		128	120	67	67	20	3	8	10	812	184	1419	10 28	30	11	120	97	
41	4	7	4	1	234	213	100	110	53	8	15	323	1500	1070	3628	16 95	70	20	190	147	
42	3	23			271	257	126	127	74	8	20	369	2000	1312	4564	17 09	65	21	158	208	

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<b>Chartiers.—Con.</b>							
James A. Alexander .....	Washington,	Pa. 2d Washington.....	3	210	7	24	<b>1</b>
Edwin C. Little.....	do	do 3d Washington.....	4	147	22	28	<b>2</b>
Robert B. Harsha.....	Taylorstown,	do Taylorstown.....	3	106	1	5	<b>3</b>
J. H. Miller, P. E.....	McMurray,	do Peter's Creek.....	5	145	1	4	<b>4</b>
J. H. Moore, P. E.....	West Middletown,	do West Middletown.....	5	160	2	1	<b>5</b>
<i>Correspondents.</i>							
J. A. Hutchinson.....	Elvilla,	do Wheeling.....	3	57	1	.....	<b>6</b>
S. M. Allison.....	West Middletown,	do Patterson's Mills—20	3	*26	.....	.....	<b>7</b>
<i>Without Charge.</i>							
William Weir.....	Washington,	do	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
John S. Speer, D. D.....	Cambridge,	Ohio. Pastoral Charges, 20.	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Joseph A. Scroggs.....	Canonsburg,	Pa. Missionary Societies, 31.	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Jas. A. Grier, D. D., Prof.....	Bellevue,	do	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
T. P. Proudft—21.....	Washington,	do Sabbath Schools, 19. Young People's Societies, 19.	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
<i>Licentiate, 3.</i>			<b>97</b>	<b>3402</b>	<b>115</b>	<b>164</b>	<b>8</b>
<i>Students, 3.</i>			.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
<b>Chicago.</b>							
W. T. Mejoy, D. D.....	Chicago,	Ill. 1st Chicago †.....	3	200	9	12	<b>9</b>
J. F. Black.....	Zion,	do Camp Creek †.....	3	193	80	3	<b>10</b>
J. A. Duff.....	Chicago,	do 2d Chicago †.....	5	196	19	13	<b>11</b>
J. A. Collins, D. D., S. S.....	do	do 4th do †.....	3	77	6	5	<b>12</b>
R. J. Kyle.....	Aurora,	do Aurora.....	3	98	17	11	<b>13</b>
Ralph Atkinson.....	Tamarack,	do Wheatland †.....	3	100	4	1	<b>14</b>
James McCrea, S. S.....	Chicago,	do 5th Chicago.....	4	157	39	6	<b>15</b>
David McCaw.....	Dakota,	do Rock Run.....	**	*4	.....	.....	<b>16</b>
A. G. Hastings.....	Hanover,	do Hanover †.....	6	187	36	1	<b>17</b>
E. B. Stewart.....	Franks,	do Somonauk †.....	7	230	17	1	<b>18</b>
Riley Little.....	Chicago,	do 3d Chicago.....	3	49	2	13	<b>19</b>
<i>Correspondents.</i>							
R. S. Gilkerson.....	Manteno,	do Wilton †.....	4	65	13	.....	<b>21</b>
D. H. Henderson.....	Chicago,	do 7th Chicago—14.....	3	36	2	34	<b>22</b>
<i>Without Charge.</i>							
D. S. Kennedy, D. D.....	Chicago,	do	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
R. W. French.....	do	do	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
M. Clarke.....	do	do	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
T. M. Chalmers.....	do	do	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
E. B. Graham, Ed.....	do	do	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
W. W. White, D. D., Prof.....	Calcutta,	India. Missionary Societies, 18.	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Phil C. Baird.....	Chicago,	Ill. Sabbath Schools, 16.	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
W. R. McKnight—20.....	Chetopa,	Kan. Young People's Societies, 19.	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
<i>Licentiate, 1.</i>			<b>49</b>	<b>1682</b>	<b>254</b>	<b>132</b>	<b>23</b>
<i>Students, 2.</i>			.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
<b>Chillicothe.</b>							
J. A. C. McQuiston.....	Cherry Fork,	O. Cherry Fork.....	8	246	2	5	<b>24</b>
J. E. Bradford.....	Tranquillity,	do Tranquillity †.....	6	225	13	2	<b>25</b>
<i>Correspondents.</i>							
N. C. Patton.....	Harshaville,	do Unity.....	4	158	.....	1	<b>26</b>
F. T. Davis, S. C.....	Peebles,	do Peebles.....	4	70	4	5	<b>27</b>
M. L. Bonner.....	Mt. Joy,	do Mt. Joy.....	1	21	.....	.....	<b>28</b>
A. C. Smith.....	Stouts,	do Stouts Run—6.....	1	7	.....	.....	<b>29</b>
<i>Without Charge.</i>							
Thomas Mercer—3.....	Wheat,	do Pastoral Charges, 5. Missionary Societies, 4. Sabbath Schools, 6. Young People's Societies, 5.	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
<i>Licentiate, 0.</i>			<b>24</b>	<b>727</b>	<b>19</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>30</b>
<i>Students, 1.</i>			.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
<b>Cleveland.</b>							
S. R. Frazier, Ph. D.....	Youngstown,	Ohio. Tabernacle.....	7	348	32	14	<b>31</b>
H. H. Houston, S. S.....	Struthers,	do Poland.....	5	116	.....	4	<b>32</b>
Thomas H. McMichael.....	Cleveland,	do 1st Cleveland.....	5	385	10	47	<b>33</b>
W. A. Miller.....	Metz,	do Stowe †.....	4	79	5	17	<b>34</b>
A. W. Lytle.....	New Lisbon,	do New Lisbon †.....	7	130	7	3	<b>35</b>
Edward McKee.....	Youngstown,	do 2d Youngstown.....	4	83	8	3	<b>36</b>

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1	2	9	6	1	188	330	87	137	51	6	13	635	1440	4302	7189	34 23	63	20	158	372	
2	2	3	5	11	94	93	60	77	23	3	6	15	500	1858	2759	18 77	50	15	145	135	
3	2	9	3		60	90	35	20	5	5	17	191	662	80	1155	10 89	49	15	165	172	
4	2	9	3		165	128	54	50	10	3	8	36	498	306	1258	8 68	46	14	88	123	
5	3	15	3	2	112	112	112	35	8	8	10	11	879	244	1523	9 52	70	11	121	114	
6	3	15	3	1	10	15	6	4	1	1			243	51	331	5 81	30	7	49	22	
7																					
8	52	186	89	29	3678	3482	1704	1381	748	94	302	2765	18734	13502	52390	15 66	1236	302	2910	3355	
9	2	59	5	1	134	215	17	682				125	2200	1512	4885	24 42	125	31	250	354	
10	2	3	12	9	57	80	35	30	3	3	7	200	700	73	1187	6 15	35	20	200	88	
11	1	16	9	2	93	127	19	164	10			85	1600	1652	3755	19 13	90	52	431	364	
12	1	5	1	1	2							100		2775	2877	36 04	27	18	160	80	
13	3	17	9	10	29	38	16	34	5	5	5	57	250	702	1136	11 59	150	20	220	163	
14	1	4			99	92	46	46	9	3	7	228	750	121	1401	14 01	50	14	99	51	
15	1	15	9	9	50	50	50	50				150	400	9000	9750	62 10	160	50	575	1425	
16																					
17	5	3	4	4	90	147	30	25	10			132	900	174	1513	8 08	45	20	180	115	
18	4	9	5	4	222	207	103	64	15	2	25	963	1000	419	3020	13 26	135	17	191	142	
19	7	6			14	17	3	9					155	1699	1897	38 71	31	20	136	142	
20	18	4	2		30	30	13	14	6	1	2	75	223	761	1155	21 38	40	12	183	232	
21	2	6	1	1	9	10	9	9	1			193	700	248	1181	18 16	*30	10	75	35	
22					32	29	15	15	3	2	2	6	300	168	572	15 88	15	16	160	60	
23	20	158	80	44	861	1042	356	1142	62	10	60	2314	9178	19304	34329	22 22	943	300	2615	3231	
24	3	10	5		115	116	79	56	41	2	12	30	900	215	1566	6 37	50	21	210	98	
25	3	11	1	7	35	34	25	25	6			13	770	151	1064	4 73	28	19	179	11	
26	4	16			26	40	25	9	5			5	160	544	139	953	6 03	43	16	164	61
27	2	3	3		8	46	3	14		1	1	50	372	66	561	8 00	24	9	60	27	
28	1											7	60		67	3 15		4	33	4	
29												10		10	20	2 22	9	5	40	8	
30	13	40	9	7	184	236	132	104	52	3	23	270	2646	581	4231	5 83	154	74	686	209	
31	7	131	14	4	75	90	60	20	15	18	15	509	800	2390	4992	14 31	13	21	276	182	
32	1	3	3		35	35	15	18				5	900	390	1406	12 12	35	25	281	114	
33	6	16	6		267	248	140	150	68	7	18	177	1800	2109	4984	17 48	45	30	291	256	
34	1		4	1	10	40	15	10				44	506	43	668	8 46	39	10	72	81	
35	1	2	3	3	20	42	8	3	2				814	336	1225	10 19	38	12	91	49	
36	1	31	6		5	10		5				101	612	100	833	11 21	25	14	124	100	

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James E. Walker, P. E. ....	East Palestine, Ohio.	East Palestine.....	4	109	4	1
<i>Correspondents.</i>						
A. R. Kinear .....	Macedonia, do	Northfield.....	3	84	2	2
Dr. M. C. Ramaley .....	Cleveland, do	2d Cleveland—9 Northampton, Dis.....	3	80	1	3
<i>Without Charge.</i>						
David R. Miller—8 .....	East Palestine, do	<i>Pastoral Charges, 9. Missionary Societies, 10. Sabbath Schools, 9. Young People's Societies, 9.</i>	42	1314	63	94
<i>Licentiate, 1. Students, 2.</i>						
<b>College Springs.</b>						
L. N. Lafferty, D. D. ....	Creston, Iowa.	Creston.....	4	132	6	12
W. P. McNary, D. D. ....	Tarkio, Mo.	Tarkio.....	6	344	18	26
George F. Brocket. ....	Red Oak, Iowa.	Center Ridge, ½.....	3	44	1	8
do .....	do	Indian Creek, ½.....	2	40	8	9
J. T. Torrence .....	York, Mo.	York ↑.....	3	50	11	11
C. F. Crooks .....	Atlantic, Iowa.	Atlantic ↑.....	3	96	4	1
W. R. Gray .....	Coin, do	Coin ↑.....	3	118	2	11
David Dodds .....	Hepburn, do	Hepburn.....	5	59	9	13
Milford Tidball .....	Shannon City, do	Shannon City ↑.....	4	130	4	5
Joseph McNab. ....	Blanchard, do	Blanchard.....	3	67	9	15
T. M. Knox .....	Redding, do	Redding ↑.....	2	45	4	7
John Williamson, D. D. ....	Tingley, do	Tingley ↑.....	8	250	7	23
S. E. Martin, S. C. ....	College Springs, do	College Springs.....	8	385	23	19
O. G. Brocket. ....	Tarkio, Mo.	North Page, ½.....	4	60	3	2
do .....	do	Page Center, ½.....	2	41	4	1
F. B. Murch .....	Lenox, Iowa.	Lenox ↑.....	6	235	11	14
W. F. Cochran, S. S. ....	Prescott, do	Adams ↑.....	2	6	2	6
W. Henry Gibson .....	Greenfield, do	Greenfield.....	7	80	9	11
J. M. McArthur, P. E. ....	Clarinda, do	Clarinda.....	6	174	5	7
<i>Correspondents.</i>						
J. K. Hamilton .....	Clearfield, do	Clearfield.....	2	143	4	8
Thomas Liggett. ....	Mt. Ayr, do	Mt. Ayr ↑.....	6	170	10	26
O. J. Gibson .....	Red Oak, do	Red Oak.....	2	83	3	9
do .....	do	Pleasant Lawn.....	3	67	14	3
W. J. Andrews .....	Polen, do	Platte Valley.....	2	27	1	29
J. B. Allen .....	Ellston, do	Wirt.....	8	8	.....	30
Walter Rae .....	Messena, do	Victoria—26.....	1	21	.....	31
<i>Without Charge.</i>						
J. A. Thompson, D. D., Pres. ....	Tarkio, Mo.	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
D. C. Wilson, D. D. ....	do	do	.....	.....	.....	.....
J. P. Finney .....	do	do	.....	.....	.....	.....
R. G. Campbell .....	do	do	.....	.....	.....	.....
David Forsythe .....	College Springs, Iowa.	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
D. H. Blair .....	do	do	.....	.....	.....	.....
J. V. Pringle .....	Red Oak, do	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
S. T. Herron .....	Lincoln, Neb.	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
J. H. Tedford, Ed .....	Mt. Ayr, Iowa.	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
H. T. Jackson .....	do	do	.....	.....	.....	.....
J. D. Graham .....	Red Oak, do	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
S. W. Lorimer .....	Monmouth, Ill.	<i>Pastoral Charges, 22. Missionary Societies, 31.</i>	.....	.....	.....	.....
J. A. Shankland .....	Red Oak, Iowa.	<i>Sabbath Schools, 29. Young People's Societies, 30.</i>	.....	.....	.....	.....
J. H. Brown, D. D.—31.....	Monmouth, Ill.	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
<i>Licentiate, 3. Students, 7.</i>						
<b>Colorado.</b>						
J. G. Kennedy, S. S. ....	Denver, Col.	Denver, Boulevard ↑.....	4	73	4	25
Pressly Thompson .....	Colorado Springs, do	Colorado Springs ↑.....	5	173	13	21
W. S. McClure .....	Greeley, do	Greeley.....	6	135	2	8
James D. Rankin, D. D. ....	Denver, do	1st Denver.....	5	290	6	38
I. C. Rankin, S. S. ....	Lamar, do	Lamar.....	2	51	11	5
A. V. Comin .....	Loveland, do	Loveland.....	5	174	5	19
H. E. Brownlee, S. S. ....	Pueblo, do	Pueblo.....	3	51	.....	6
<i>Without Charge.</i>						
W. H. McCreery, S. C. ....	Loveland, do	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....



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1	12	6		10	10	10	6				7	810	591	1444	13 20	43	14	100	50	
2	1	2		37	46	15	15				16	433	199	761	9 05	45	12	94	67	
3	1			25	70	23	33			1		630	229	1011	12 64	40	10	91	135	
4	22																			
5	18	120	42	8	484	591	286	260	85	25	39	862	8305	6387	17324	13 18	448	148	1440	1034
6	3	16	3	2	12	33	10	10	14	14		438	221	752	5 70	40	13	140	70	
7	33	8	5	5	260	153	54	44	57	5	15	102	1500	2520	4710	13 69	120	38	540	203
8	5				1	2	2				1	48	350	34	438	9 72	24	7	35	19
9	1	10	6	4	13	5	4	5	1			54	300	35	417	10 42		7	56	12
10	5	3	3		6	10	5	1	1	1	3	64	250	60	400	8 00	16	11	90	40
11	1	8	4	2	71	92	36	34	16	2	7	36	710	175	1179	12 28	22	12	94	83
12	1	15	2		86	87	31	5	11	2	3	86	700	100	1111	9 41	35	16	119	104
13	1	5	2		5	10	2				3	175	300	60	555	9 40	35	9	68	30
14	1	15	3		42	22	28	22				706	174	994	7 65	35	12	125	73	
15	7	4	4		47	39	28	20	6		3	12	540	73	768	11 46	26	10	86	53
16	1	8	2		37	34			3			400	84	558	12 40	15	7	33	21	
17	28	1	2		171	67	43	30	27	5	15	537	1000	128	2023	8 09	94	17	180	156
18	2	30	9	5	215	139	79	54	40	3	10	140	1200	2630	4510	11 71	130	23	350	268
19	1	4	3		23	20	16	6			3	10	400	44	522	8 70	36	17	120	23
20	4	2	2		16	28	3	6				250	31	334	8 14	25	4	53	19	
21	4	12	3		124	108	47	45	8	12	14	35	900	1250	2543	10 82	85	15	125	68
22	4	1	1		11	18	3	2	5			18	400	268	725	10 98	50	10	50	20
23	1	2	2		9	25	1					600	506	1141	14 26	50	11	66		
24	5	20	7		20	65	20	10				50	575	232	972	5 58	80	17	156	85
25	11	2	4		38	57	28				79	461	196	859	6 00	35	10	80	60	
26	3	9	3		144	128	75	67	35	8	6	246	900	189	1798	10 57	28	15	128	178
27	2	8	3		48	29	13	5	4	2	2	33	500	165	802	9 66	25	10	96	72
28	1		10		10	15		5	5			48	225	100	403	6 01	25	8	70	25
29	2		1		2	1						5	53	3	64	2 37		6	20	10
30																		8	30	14
31	8										15			15	72			7	30	17
32	23	260	82	47	1409	1186	528	368	233	61	79	1793	13658	9278	28593	9 76	1037	320	2938	1723
33	5	1	1		15	49		21				143	338	1189	1755	24 04	74	17	158	95
34	4	22	8		160	155	45	80	15	2	8	41	1245	540	2291	13 24	70	21	185	140
35	2	18	4		41	59	68	23	16		12	194	1500	503	2416	17 16	65	12	135	153
36	3	81	10	2	127	135	10	50	10	40	50	400	2500	3060	6222	21 80	60	30	335	300
37	1	1	4	5	17	26	17	18	4	3	2	10	215	106	418	8 20	41	8	45	30
38	1	13	4	2	115	105	55	52	29	3	8	173	900	1238	2678	15 39	114	12	135	121
39	1	5	5		35	40	8	10	4	1	1	17	300	335	751	14 73	15	11	65	45

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<b>Colorado.—Con.</b>						
Clinton Riddle.....						
J. A. McKee.....	Colorado Springs, Col.	<i>Pastoral Charges, 7.</i>				
A. T. McDill—11.....	do	<i>Missionary Societies, 8</i>				
A. M. McClenahan, Cor.....	Greeley, do	<i>Sabbath Schools, 7.</i>				
		<i>Young People's Societies, 14.</i>	30	947	41	122
<i>Licentiates, 0.</i>	<i>Students, 0.</i>					<b>1</b>
<b>Concordia.</b>						
G. E. Carnahan.....	Clay Center, Kas.	Clay Center.....	2	28	1	5
do	do	Four Mile.....	1	42		5
<i>Correspondents.</i>						
Pollard Carnahan.....	Stockdale, do	Carnahan Creek.....	3	45		4
A. P. Dodds.....	Concordia, do	Concordia.....	6	72	8	3
J. A. Vanatta.....	Glen Elder, do	Fairview.....	2	27	2	6
J. L. Buchanan.....	Beloit, do	Hopewell.....	2	37		2
Mrs. F. M. Torrens.....	Idana, do	Idana.....	3	71		4
W. H. Wall.....	Jamestown, do	Jamestown.....	3	31	2	1
W. F. Hoover.....	Pleasant Green, do	New Hope—9.....	3	19	4	2
C. H. Kimmel, S. C.....	Concordia, do	Gove City, Dis.....				11
<i>Without Charge.</i>						
W. P. Currie.....	Olesburgh, do	<i>Pastoral Charges, 4.</i>				
W. Wallace—3.....	New Concord, Ohio.	<i>Missionary Societies, 8.</i>				
		<i>Sabbath Schools, 9.</i>				
		<i>Young People's Societies, 8.</i>	25	372	17	23
<i>Licentiates, 0.</i>	<i>Students, 0.</i>					<b>12</b>
<b>Conemaugh.</b>						
J. Day Brownlee.....	Indiana Pa.	1st Indiana.....	5	382	9	6
R. A. Jamison, S. C.....	Apollo, do	Apollo †.....	6	182	10	10
R. A. Hutchison.....	Altoona, do	Altoona †.....	3	81	17	2
George W. Robinson.....	Elderton, do	Shelocta.....	5	162	8	4
do	do	Elderton.....	6	153	4	1
R. E. McClure.....	Blairsville, do	Blairsville †.....	7	310	33	24
T. D. Boone.....	Saltsburg, do	Saltsburg †.....	3	75	1	7
E. S. Littell.....	West Lebanon, do	West Union.....	7	208	3	2
S. J. Kyle.....	Johnstown, do	Johnstown.....	5	100	9	10
D. S. Tinker.....	Clyde, do	Bethel †.....	4	117	6	3
M. S. Telford.....	Homer City, do	Homer City.....	6	85	7	4
do	do	Crete.....	5	140	7	2
<i>Without Charge.</i>						
Joseph H. Henderson.....	Elder's Ridge, do	Olivet.....	3	79	6	25
John M. Mack.....	Brushvalley, do	Mechanicsburg.....	4	*45		26
	Penn Run, do	Greenville.....		***25		27
David Campbell.....	Heshbon, do	Heshbon.....		***37		28
Robert W. Mack.....	Buffington, do	East Union.....		***25		29
Thomas Hart.....	Clarksburg, do	{ Conemaugh.....	2	81	8	30
John Gilmour.....	Kent, do	{ Jacksonville.....	6	126		6
W. J. McNeilly.....	New Florence, do	{ New Florence.....	5	111	8	1
C. C. McDowell.....	West Fairfield, do	{ West Fairfield.....	5	76	5	3
S. J. Telford, Esq.....	Indiana, do	2d Indiana—22.....	5	70	1	2
<i>Without Charge.</i>						
W. S. Owens, D. D., Cor. Sec.....	Indiana, do					
W. H. McMaster.....	Blairsville, do					
H. Q. Graham.....	Indiana, do	<i>Pastoral Charges, 13.</i>				
J. C. Greer.....	Greensburg, do	<i>Missionary Societies, 20.</i>				
J. A. McGill.....	New Wilmington, do	<i>Sabbath Schools, 18.</i>				
Neil Ferguson—16.....	Louisville, Ky.	<i>Young People's Societies, 23.</i>	92	2670	142	87
<i>Licentiates, 0</i>	<i>Students, 2.</i>					<b>35</b>
<b>Delaware.</b>						
James Bruce, D. D.....	Andes, N. Y.	Andes.....	4	223	6	7
Robt. T. Doig.....	East Meredith, do	West Kortright †.....	5	133	5	3
Jas. R. Frazier.....	Davenport, do	Davenport.....	4	133	2	2
Thomas Park.....	Walton, do	Walton.....	5	275	10	15
N. E. Wade.....	Kortright, do	Kortright Center †.....	6	156	12	5

		Dece'se		Bapt'ms.		CONTRIBUTIONS.																SCHOOLS.			
		Deaths.	Removals.	Infant.	Adult.	Foreign Missions.	Home Missions.	Freedmen's Missions.	Church Extension.	Education.	Assembly's Fund.	Ministerial Relief.	General Contribut'ns.	Salary by Congregat'n.	Congregat'l Expenses.	Total Amount.	Average per Member.	Members of Young People's Societies.	Teachers and Officers.	Number of Scholars.	Contributions.				
1	12	145	28	18	510	569	203	254	78	49	81	978	6998	6911	16631	17 56	439	111	1048	884					
2						7	8	4	4	1		1	8	100	40	173	6 17	18	9	34	20				
3		3	1		12	13	5	6	5		2	12	325	60	440	10 47	20	8	42	30					
4	1		1		6	11							23	200	60	300	6 66	22	12	91	33				
5	1			3	28	6				4			55	50	137	1 90	11	11	58	25					
6		1			33	8	3	1				5	70	60	154	5 70	17	9	55	9					
7			2		20	33	9	8	2	2	3	7	81	57	222	6 00	18	9	53	31					
8		13	5		5	13		5	1	8	1	3	173	100	309	4 35	*25	12	75	38					
9	1	1			8					2		18	25	25	78	2 51	*15	7	40	18					
10			1									7	16	15	38	2 00		7	40	10					
11		6																							
12	3	30	10	3	79	100	21	24	9	16	7	83	1045	467	1851	5 00	168	83	488	214					
13	10	10	5		380	312	290	125	106	1	18	200	1600	555	3537	9 39	120	17	175	115					
14		9	10	5	228	88	31	84	20		5	50	800	773	2079	11 43	50	13	125	115					
15		6	6	4	17	40				7			303	639	1006	12 42	55	16	160	73					
16	1	3	5	1	75	15		2	2			113	500	267	979	6 04	77	16	150	34					
17	3	6	4		52		38					79	500	142	811	5 30	60	15	125	5					
18	10	37	6	6	293	204	90	30	28	6	10	90	1200	848	2800	9 02	153	17	135	140					
19	1	9			76	77	35	30	20	5	2	33	544	387	1205	16 07	49	7	63						
20	2		7		126	101	58	25	1	1	5	99	800	66	1282	6 16	30	16	165	52					
21	1	2	1	5	25	75	25	25	42				1500	896	2588	25 88	85	11	79	85					
22	1	1	5		62	36	15	20	20			28	650	708	1545	13 20	45	10	70	24					
23	4	1	3	2	79	44	29	24	10		6		350	138	680	8 00	33	9	44	46					
24	3	6	9	3	61	21	10	11	4		2	10	450	131	700	5 00	50	12	70	25					
25	1	3	3	1	25	10	9						205	26	275	3 48	60	7	37	41					
26																		*							
27																									
28																									
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30		6	2		58	29	35	7	3	2	5	13	336	115	593	7 32	28	9	81	60					
31	2	12	2		46	7	8						336	100	497	3 94	56	11	80	32					
32	1	9	10	2	26	28	1	1				1	8	459	81	605	5 45	48	9	50	39				
33	2	7	3		12	15	17	10			10	80	410	70	624	8 21	20	8	50	33					
34	1		3	1	68	63	32	32	19	3	5	50	900	2200	3372	48 17	30	9	51	58					
35	44	127	84	30	1717	1165	718	426	275	24	69	853	11839	8142	25228	9 94	1049	219	1725	1083					
36	4	13	7	1	133	123	63	83	33	5	10	101	1200	239	1986	8 90	80	17	125	99					
37			2	3	30	25							200	900	40	1135	8 98	35	12	150	60				
38	1	1	1		25	26							50	800	180	1081	8 13	51	12	127	35				
39	2	1	9	7	160	155	93	50	10	5	15	288	1320	196	2292	8 33	40	17	236	141					
40		3	4	5	20	20	10	10				97	700	125	982	6 29	27	16	110	40					

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<b>Delaware.—Con.</b>							
J. B. Clapperton.....	Garratsville,	do	Garratsville.....	4	84	14	1
do .....	do	do	Burlington.....	1	45	1	2
C. W. Tarr.....	Delhi,	do	West Delhi †.....	4	141	5	1
W. L. Martin.....	Almeda,	do	Stamford †.....	4	115	8	5
J. B. Pollock, S. C.....	New Kingston,	do	New Kingston †.....	5	186	2	1
R. L. Welch, S. S.....	Oneonta,	do	Oneonta.....	4	67	13	4
Daniel Harris, S. S.....	Mundale,	do	Mundale †.....	5	98	3	7
N. L. Heidger.....	De Lancey,	do	De Lancey †.....	6	208	25	6
W. L. Samson.....	Bovina Center,	do	Bovina.....	7	350	62	7
Jas. A. Gordon.....	Cabin Hill,	do	Cabin Hill †.....	3	89	4	10
<i>Correspondents.</i>							
R. T. Scott.....	North Kortright,	do	North Kortright.....	4	95	1	1
A. C. Biggar.....	Pepacton,	do	Delaware.....	3	56		12
Thos. Ford.....	Shavertown,	do	Shavertown.....		**44		13
Murray Yeomans.....	Rock Rift,	do	Rock Rift—19.....		*25		14
<i>Without Charge.</i>							
A. M. Smeallie—15.....	North Kortright,	do	<i>Pastoral Charges, 17.</i> <i>Missionary Societies, 12.</i> <i>Sabbath Schools, 17.</i> <i>Young People's Societies, 20.....</i>	74	2523	173	55
<i>Licentiates, 1.</i>		<i>Students, 2.</i>					
<b>Des Moines.</b>							
Willard H. Patterson, S. C.....	Des Moines,	Iowa.	2d Des Moines †.....	5	140	1	10
W. T. McConnell.....	do	do	1st Des Moines †.....	5	175	16	17
Robt. A. Evans.....	Pitzer,	do	Union †.....	3	123	5	3
S. R. Jamieson.....	Summerset,	do	Summerset †.....	3	97	12	2
Isaac McGay Knipe.....	Albia,	do	Service †.....	4	119	5	2
H. P. Jackson.....	Chariton,	do	Chariton †.....	3	82	2	21
John H. Gibson.....	Monroe,	do	Monroe †.....	3	152	2	5
R. J. Davidson, D. D.....	Dexter,	do	Dexter †.....	3	78	7	10
M. R. Cochran, S. S.....	St. Charles,	do	St. Charles †.....	3	56	1	7
J. B. Jackson.....	Albia,	do	Albia.....	7	112	9	24
John Ferguson.....	Newton,	do	Newton, 1/2.....	3	66	10	6
do .....	do	do	Palo Alto, 1/2.....	2	52	6	3
R. B. A. McBride.....	Oskaloosa,	do	Oskaloosa, (2) †.....	5	169	4	1
<i>Correspondents.</i>							
W. P. Cowden.....	Adair,	do	Adair.....	1	24	4	29
J. G. McLane.....	Alberton,	do	Alberton.....	3	51		30
E. S. McKeeman.....	Big Spring,	do	Jefferson.....	3	46	16	10
Jas. Donnan.....	Ewart,	do	Ewart.....	2	50		32
J. W. Henry.....	Brooklyn,	do	Fairview †.....	2	47		33
J. H. Wherry.....	Guernsey,	do	Guernsey †.....	5	59		34
J. L. Brown.....	Indianola,	do	Indianola.....	5	221	3	2
C. B. McClymond.....	Knoxville,	do	Knoxville.....	4	59	1	36
H. J. McCain.....	Lacona,	do	Lacona †.....	3	47	10	37
Jos. S. Lester.....	Nassau,	do	Nassau.....	3	4		38
J. C. Weede.....	Van Meter,	do	North Branch.....	3	62	1	3
John Gamble.....	Patterson,	do	Patterson.....	2	*20		40
E. A. Tennis.....	Cedar,	do	Unity †.....	3	43		41
D. O. Holland.....	Thornburg,	do	White Oak.....	2	32	5	42
Boyd Forbes.....	Winterset,	do	Winterset—28.....	4	111	15	19
<i>Without Charge.</i>							
J. M. Acheson.....	Winterset,	do	Peru, Dis.....				44
W. R. Baldrige.....	Des Moines,	do	Bagley, Dis.....				45
Joseph Boyd.....	Carlisle,	do					
G. W. Breden.....	Indianola,	do					
Joseph Calhoun, D. D.....	do	do					
John Gilmore.....	Oskaloosa,	do					
Rufus Johnson.....	Des Moines,	do					
C. T. McCaughan, D. D.....	Winterset,	do					
Wm. McKirahan.....	Norfolk,	Va.					
Jas. Sawhill.....	Pitzer,	Iowa.					
John C. Scott, Ph. D.....	Knoxville,	do	<i>Pastoral Charges, 25.</i> <i>Missionary Societies, 23.</i> <i>Sabbath Schools, 27.</i> <i>Young People's Societies, 18.....</i>	94	2337	133	124
Henry Wallace, Ed.....	Des Moines,	do					46
W. P. White, Evan—25.....	Indianola,	do					
<i>Licentiates, 0.</i>		<i>Students, 1.</i>					

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	Deaths.	Removals.	Infant.	Adult.	Foreign Missions.	Home Missions.	Freedmen's Missions	Church Extension.	Education.	Assembly's Fund.	Ministerial Relief.	General Contribut'ns.	Salary by Congregat'n.	Congregat'l Expenses.	Total Amount.	Average per Member.	Members of Young People's Societies.	Officers and Teachers.	Number of Scholars.	Contribu- tions.	
1	2			8	67	31	15	7			6	17	400	161	704	8 38	30	7	95	30	
2	1	7		1	70	95	5					10	350	115	485	1078		7	45	20	
3	1	4			110	103	16	20		2	9	18	715	155	1100	7 80	43	11	140	35	
4	1	9		2	110	103	144	52	31	4	8	186	900	292	1810	15 74	37	14	100	63	
5	3	15		6	100	158	92	52	25	6	8	32	755	144	1372	7 30	31	17	165	114	
6		15		4	5	10						30	300	485	830	12 39	35	9	65	37	
7		1		2	1	38	20					19	321	146	544	5 55	40	7	90		
8	3	1		5	13	93	47	14	14	9	1	2	180	1000	1692	3052	14 67	90	14	86	43
9	6	2		11	23	215	315	174	200	63	11	17	690	1500	122	3307	9 44	38	24	290	376
10	1	5		2	87	53	15	3	3	2	2	16	600	225	1006	11 30	62	7	100	16	
11	3	58		2			15	4		15	6	31	800	51	922	9 71	20	13	68	15	
12	2	7				16							159	12	187	3 34				8	
13																					
14																		*6	*90		
15	30	142		65	68	1158	1202	651	500	174	51	83	1945	12720	4371	22855	9 31	659	210	2082	1132
16	2	2		2	80	53	17	19			2	22	862	259	1314	9 39	40	14	105	90	
17		15		6	27	29	12	4		9		101	1014	2451	3647	20 84	77	15	196	91	
18		3		3	43	43	22	11	12	2	3	45	675	64	92	7 36	32	9	119	58	
19	2	2		1	138	58	44	31	5	3		13	700	121	1113	11 47	36	12	90		
20	2	4		2	103	74	37	34	12	2	4	12	700	328	1306	10 97	75	13	157	48	
21		6		2	47	30	6	5	20	1	2	93	500	196	900	10 97	33	9	61	30	
22	5	4		5	70	54	21	21	3			240	750	134	1293	8 50	40	15	100	103	
23		1		1	45	40	15	14	15			5	600	110	847	10 85	27	10	75	46	
24	2	5		3	4	6	4	3		14	2	3	300	271	607	10 84		10	88	18	
25	1	4		3	42	60	19	22	2	1	1	11	471	164	793	7 08	35	12	11		
26		8		7	10	12	5	10	2			4	191	48	282	4 28	60	12	88	48	
27	1	2		4	8	9	7	5				24	271	62	386	7 33	25	8	81	52	
28	4	23		3	65	75	26	20	20	1	2	22	1033	340	1810	10 71	37	22	231	88	
29				2									106	50	156	6 50					
30	1	11			20	21	11	6	5		3		248	100	414	8 11		2	35		
31	1	8		4									206	160	360	7 82	27	8	40		
32		9		2	2	2	4					3	324	166	501	10 02	20	5	55	39	
33	1	1		2				2				2	280	70	358	7 62	42	8	96	24	
34	2	3		2	5	18	8					12	322	158	523	8 86	28	10	79	34	
35	2	20		1	77	91	107	2	2			80	1115	874	2448	10 62	75	16	225	207	
36	2	11		6	6	10	5	3	1			24	138	26	211	3 57		7	34	32	
37		1		2	4	3	3		10				170	30	220	4 68		6	24	15	
38	1	2		1				2				4	216	84	311	7 40					
39		2		2	4	1							286	16	307	4 95		10	50	19	
40																					
41		4			25	38	6	5	1	2	1	36	348	14	476	11 07		9	50	18	
42				2	8	3	10						23	4	259	8 09		8	35	15	
43	3	5		3	36	5			24			88	600	135	888	8 00	25	7	57	39	
44		14																			
45		6																			
46	32	176		46	39	869	744	387	219	134	35	25	1048	12654	6435	22550	9 13	734	263	2251	1114

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<b>Detroit.</b>							
A. H. Orr	Birmingham, Mich.	Troy	4	101		4	1
do	do	Birmingham	3	66	1		2
W. H. Vincent, D. D.	Detroit, do	Detroit †	125	24	16		3
L. McCampbell	Almont, do	Bruce †	49	5			4
A. W. McClurkin, S. C.	Port Huron, do	Port Huron (2)	61	4	4		5
A. McLeod, S. S.	Greenleaf, do	Erskine	36	5			6
J. A. McCalmont	Donaldson, do	Stevensburg & con. 2	46	7			7
S. V. Kyle	Southfield, do	Southfield †	94	9			8
J. P. Courtney	Martin, do	Martin	5	116	13	6	9
<i>Correspondents.</i>							
R. S. Caldwell	Denmark, do	Fair Grove	2	42	12	2	10
John Law	Walled Lake	Commerce	3	53	1		11
A. Thompson	Crosswell, do	Crosswell	2	37			12
G. A. Turner	Sault Ste Marie, do	Harper	3	31	29	2	13
		Cumber—14	2	*18			14
		Berne Junction, Dis.					15
<i>Without Charge.</i>							
J. B. Wilson	Fibre, Chippewa co do	Pastoral Charges, 12.					
J. D. Palmer—10	Crosswell, do	Missionary Societies, 10.					
		Sabbath Schools, 14.					
		Young People's Societies, 12.	45	875	110	38	16
<i>Licentiates, 0. Students, 0.</i>							
<b>Egypt.</b>							
S. C. Ewing, D. D., S. S.	Alexandria, Egypt.	Alexandria †	45	6			17
Mikhail Abadir	Mansurah, do	Mansurah	50	4	7		18
Wm. Harvey, D. D., S. S.	Cairo, do	Ezbakiyah †	139	4	5		19
Salih Hannallah	do	Haret Es-Sakkain	46	5			20
Tadrus Hannah	Suif Meidum, do	Suif Meidum †	40	2			21
Shenudiah Hanna	Sinnoris, do	Sinnoris †	162	16			22
Ghubrial Yusuf	Sanbur, do	Sanbur †	22	2			23
Sawirus Geras	Suif El-Lebn, do	Suif El-Lebn †	129	13			24
Hanna Bishai	Minyah, do	Minyah †	89	6	1		25
Mikhail Tekla	Abukerkass, do	{ Abukerkass, 1/2 †.	144	7			26
do	do	{ Menhari, (sta) † 1/2.	104	4	2		27
Bulus Mikhail	Hur, do	{ Hur, 1/2 †.	82	6			28
do	do	{ Nezeit and Con., 1/2.	106	39	3		29
Shahatah Aweidah	Mellawi, do	Mellawi, †	92	5	1		30
Hanna Gareis	Deir El-Bersha, do	{ Deir El-Bersha, 1/4 †.	36	7	2		31
do	do	{ Deir Abuhennis † 1/3.	60	6	2		32
do	do	{ El-Bersha, 1/3.	10	7			33
Geras Gareis	Meir, do	{ Meir, 2/3 †.	91	7	1		34
do	do	{ Saraknah, (sta) 1/3.	41	17	2		35
Bishai Mikhail	Beni Adi, do	Beni Adi †.	107				36
Mikhail Mizzeeki	Gawilli, do	{ Gawali, 1/2 †.	89	4	3		37
do	do	{ Hawatka, 1/2.	52	2			38
Moauwad Hanna	Asyut, do	Asyut, (4) †.	390	64	2		39
Ibrahim Tanyus	Motiah, do	{ Motiah, 1/2 †.	89	3	3		40
do	do	{ Bakur, 1/2 †.	41	3	3		41
Benyamin Fam	Abutig, do	{ Abutig, 2/3 †.	87	2	2		42
do	do	{ Masaudi, 1/3 (sta).	61	3			43
Tadrus Yusuf	Nakheilah, do	Nakheilah †	209	8			44
Sawirus Mikhail	Daweir, do	{ Daweir, 1/2 †.	107	29	3		45
do	do	{ Sidfa, 1/2.	28	2			46
Bulus Abd esh-Shahid	Akhmim, do	Akhmim.	67	5	6		47
Aweidah Abd esh-Shahid	Luxor, do	{ Luxor, 1/2 †.	41	4	6		48
do	do	{ Kurneh, 1/2.	25	3	1		49
<i>Without Charge.</i>							
K. W. McFarland	Alexandria, do	Feshu	34	3			50
G. A. Sowash	do	Sharona	55	4			51
J. K. Giffen	Tanta, do	Zawiyet el-Anwat.	186	37	7		52
T. J. Finney	Mansurah, do	Baiyadiyah	51	9	2		53
J. Kruidenier	Zagazig, do	Sanabu	41		1		54
W. H. Reed	do	Azziyah	42	5	1		55
C. Murch	Benha, do	Abnub.	35	3	5		56
A. Watson, D. D., Prof	Cairo, do	Zerabi	65	3			57
Jno. Giffen, Prof.	do	Deir El-Ganalah.	112	5			58
J. P. White, M. D.	do	Mishta.	54	1	2		59
J. O. Ashenhurst	Lucille, Ohio	Kus.	135	1			60

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1	4	9			21	30	10	17				7	500	45	630	6 23	40	10	75	35	
2	2	2	4		5	10	5	12				2	200	140	374	5 67	50	10	55	35	
3	2	4	2	3	42	74	15	17	10			3	542	1653	2388	19 11	91	26	243	135	
4	1		3		16	18	8	7				8	400	131	593	12 10	33	5	53	31	
5	1	9	1	2	43	34	20	12	3	1	5	33	394	242	787	12 90	26	16	165	70	
6	1	1	3		8	45	2	3					200	82	327	9 08	32	5	25	2	
7			2		2	20	2	3	3				200	120	365	7 93		5	65	16	
8	1	1	7	2	55	41	15	14	1				700	735	1574	16 74	40	11	100	79	
9		5	2	2	100	105	46	46	27	3	7	193	800	210	1537	13 25	54	12	86	72	
10			4			19							285	15	319	7 69	32	7	45	23	
11	2	4			9	9							150	30	198	3 73	14	8	32		
12		3				18				5		5	185	30	243	6 57	30	10	55	16	
13																					
14																				25	
15		12																			
16	13	50	28	9	299	423	121	128	44	13	23	295	4556	3433	9335	11 30	442	127	999	539	
17		47	6									49	115	50	214				63	14	
18	1	6	3									25	150	32	207				67	6	
19	4	10	3									336	150	127	613				216	101	
20		2	3									92	180	7	279				90	19	
21	3	4	7									55	97	6	158				55		
22	5	4	18									108	527	83	718				142	67	
23	3	9	1									13	26	3	42				26		
24		4	4									8	126	2	136						
25		1	4									212	221	54	487				100	15	
26		2	19									90	73	3	166				110		
27	3		14									29	39	6	74				141	4	
28		1	10									34	25	3	62				100		
29	3		24									30	19	7	56				114		
30	5	2	6									494	207	15	716				106	3	
31		2	7									2	49	19	70				114		
32	2	2	9									19	46	16	81				106	1	
33			2									1	11	1	13				106	1	
34		1	17									199	99	11	308				27	1	
35												8	14	2	24				217	8	
36		5										2	36	5	43				87		
37	1	5	21									4	26	2	32				145	1	
38		1	12									1	24	2	27				95		
39	4	13	31									4056	480	11	4547				51		
40	1	5	10									26	78	2	106				279	36	
41	1	2	8									12	72	3	87				152		
42	5	2	10									90	151	15	256				46		
43	2	1	4									8	12	4	24				117	1	
44	3	5	9									58	262	23	343				36		
45	1		15									161	94	8	263				107	3	
46			2									24	32	1	57				60		
47	2	2	5									13	95	6	114				36		
48	1	8	3									77	90	6	173				92	1	
49	3		1									19	29		48				100		
50			1									22	40	11	73				37	1	
51	1	4	6									12	24	7	43				78	4	
52	4	8	27									51	70	3	124				80		
53	1	1	12									41	85	5	131				135		
54	1	7										115	36	5	156						
55	2	6	16									9	15	1	25				86		
56		6										7	90		97				132	4	
57	2		7									120	47	3	170				109		
58	1	1	3									5	5	9	19				76		
59	1	2	5									45	1	46					62		
60	2	2	16									351	180	18	549				55	5	

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<b>Egypt.—Con.</b>								
D. Strang .....	Maghaha,	Egypt.	Azaimah—39.....	23			1	
J. R. Alexander, D. D. ....	Asyut,	do	Unorganized sta- tions—158.....	1636	207	74	2	
S. G. Hart, Prof. ....	do	do						
E. M. Giffen .....	do	do						
R. E. Carson .....	do	do	<i>Pastoral Charges, 32.</i>					
Wm. M. Nichol—40.....	Luxor,	do	<i>Missionary Socie- ties, 5.</i>					
			<i>Sabbath Schools, 127.</i>					
			<i>Young People's So- cieties, 3.</i>	5355	573	147	3	
<i>Licentiates, 22.</i>	<i>Students, 9,</i>							
<b>Frankfort.</b>								
D. W. Carson, D. D. ....	So. Burgettstown,	Pa.	Burgettstown .....	6	255	11	18	4
H. W. Millen .....	New Sheffield,	do	Raccoon .....	5	142	5		5
G. A. Roseberg .....	Hookstown,	do	Hookstown † .....	6	151	1	1	6
W. R. Jamison, S. C. ....	Frankfort Springs,	do	Frankfort Springs † ..	4	122	4	6	7
S. M. Krohn .....	Penrith,	W. Va.	King's Creek, ½ .....	3	97	13		8
do .....	do	do	Oakland, ½ † .....	1	5	7	3	9
J. R. Wallace .....	Zellar,	Pa.	New Bethlehem † .....	2	122	2	5	10
James Potter .....	Clinton,	do	Clinton † .....	3	196	4	5	11
			<i>Vacancies.</i>					
<i>Correspondents.</i>								
Wm. Green .....	New Sheffield,	do	Ohio .....	5	54	2		12
Wm. Swearingen .....	Harshaville,	do	Hanover .....	7	68	1	2	13
Matthew Nickle .....	Hookstown,	do	Tumlinson Run .....	6	107	4	2	14
J. B. McKibben .....	Green Garden,	do	Service .....	5	*114			15
Geo. F. Young .....	Bellowsville,	do	Mt. Pleasant .....	4	105	3	16	16
Samuel Witherspoon .....	Bavington,	do	Robinson .....	5	190		4	17
D. S. Fulton .....	Hanlin,	do	Paris .....	2	91		3	18
W. A. Strain .....	Colliers,	W. Va.	Cross Creek—16.....	3	46	4	2	19
			<i>Pastoral Charges, 14.</i>					
<i>Without Charge.</i>			<i>Missionary Socie- ties, 12.</i>					
W. R. McKee, D. D. ....	Beaver,	Pa.	<i>Sabbath Schools, 16.</i>					
D. P. Smith—9 .....	Taylorstown,	do	<i>Young People's So- cieties, 16.</i>	68	1917	57	64	20
<i>Licentiates, 0.</i>	<i>Students, 0.</i>							
<b>Garnett.</b>								
D. E. Magill, S. C. ....	Welda,	Kan.	Welda † .....	7	179	21	6	21
H. D. Gordon .....	Edgerton,	do	Edgerton .....	6	104	1	2	22
R. H. Barnes .....	Olathe,	do	Olathe .....	6	171	12	13	23
F. O. Ross .....	Richmond,	do	Richmond † ½ .....	4	124	10	1	24
do .....	do	do	Greeley, ½ .....	3	36	5		25
W. R. Cox .....	Ottawa,	do	Ottawa, † .....	6	175	10	18	26
E. H. Huston .....	Blue Mound,	do	Blue Mound, † .....	4	70	2	5	27
D. M. Sleeth .....	Lyndon,	do	Lyndon .....	3	52	1	5	28
F. W. Wilson .....	Americus,	do	Americus, ¾ .....	6	110	16	10	29
			<i>Vacancies.</i>					
<i>Correspondents.</i>								
J. R. Wilson .....	Carlton,	do	Holland Creek .....	3	*24			30
S. T. Wilson .....	Emporia,	do	Emporia .....	4	70	3	2	31
T. M. Hamilton .....	Garnett,	do	Garnett .....	8	172	2	5	32
G. M. Acheson .....	Howard,	do	Howard .....	2	29			33
J. M. Caldwell .....	Glenloch,	do	Glenloch .....	2	*26			34
W. W. Sanders .....	Cottonwood Falls,	do	Cottonwood Falls—15		*15			35
			<i>Pastoral Charges, 10.</i>					
<i>Without Charge.</i>			<i>Missionary Socie- ties, 11.</i>					
J. A. Ferguson .....	Emporia,	do	<i>Sabbath Schools, 13.</i>					
Wellington Wright .....	do	do	<i>Young People's So- cieties, 11.</i>	65	1357	83	67	36
R. J. Hammond .....	Americus,	do						
A. C. Tris .....	Howard,	do						
D. D. Christy—13.....	Lyndon,	do						
<i>Licentiates, 1.</i>	<i>Students, 3.</i>							



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1																					
2	31	99	165								2865	1395	366	4626				2994	285		
3	97	272	561								9953	5692	964	16609	3 10			6849	581		
4			2		140	130	110	40	15	3	12	236	1000	541	2227	8 75	75	15	190	105	
5		15	2		53	49	13	2				23	700	85	931	6 56	38	12	110	62	
6		14	5		123	69	47	7	16	4	6	15	800†	421	1508	9 99	45	12	90	55	
7	7	9	2		78	143	43	31				276	800†	284	1657	13 58	31	12	100	89	
8	2		2		25	15	18	10	10	2	1	35	450	90	656	6 76	51	10	70	10	
9	1				25	25	22	15	10	1	5	173	400†	60	736	12 95	30	11	88	43	
10	1	9	3		16	11	8					19	600†	571	1225	10 04	60	12	130	53	
11	11		1	1	89	79	41	9			5	45	750†	225	1243	6 34	36	10	100	53	
12	1		1	1	34	17	17	10	3	2	1	8	328	70	490	9 07	17	7	65	25	
13	2	2	4									178	101	279	4 01	50	12	54	24		
14		1	1		30	15	7	3	2	1	4	12	350	66	490	4 58	37	8	80	50	
15																	*53	*112			
16	2	7			13	53	6	6	1	1	1	9	325	40	455	4 33	30	8	60	30	
17	2	20	7		92	103	44	22	10	3	6	61	715	75	1131	5 95	50	16	118	108	
18	1		2		11	16	4	3			3	66	466	44	613	6 74	45	11	71	35	
19	1			3	10	10						5	230	325	580	12 60	40	6	35	8	
20	20	88	32	7	739	737	385	158	67	17	44	983	8092	2999	14221	7 89	752	180	1585	750	
21	1	7	11	2	45	36	8	2	5		3	101	660	89	949	5 30	67	13	192	46	
22		1	2		39	34	35	26	6	1	1	73	800	59	1074	10 32	34	9	79	52	
23	2	13	4	3	43	104	35					104	800	151	1237	7 23	101	18	165	84	
24	1	9	8	2	79	75	25	15	10	1	3	33	568	1091	1900	15 32	53	12	138	90	
25	1				23	16	5	7				4	223	61	339	9 41	20	8	40	30	
26	1	5	1		27	59	8	17	2	1	3	28	800	883	1828	10 44	40	16	125	125	
27	1	24	2		5	12						5	2	318	620	8 85	27	10	89	34	
28		12	2		25	31	17	12	4	1	3	16	402	94	605	11 63	24	9	65	62	
29	1	6	1	1	37	37	30		3	3	3	19	437	204	773	7 03	50	12	115	35	
30																		5	33		
31	1	14	1	1	25	24	15	10	2	1	1	8	400	161	657	9 38	16	9	56	65	
32	3	28	2	1	98	68	5	15				89	1000	300	1575	9 15	120	18	152	110	
33		15											12		41						
34																		*10	*32		
35																					
36	12	134	34	10	446	506	183	104	32	8	17	480	6382	3411	11569	8 96	552	154	1281	733	

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<b>Gujranwala.</b>							
J. S. Thompson .....	Rawal Pindi, India.	Rawal Pindi .....	2	40	14	2	1
J. A. McConnelee, Evan .....	do Punjab, do	do .....	1	40	3	2	3
T. L. Scott .....	Jhelum, do	{ Jhelum .....	1	40	3	2	3
do .....	do do	{ Bhera .....		11	1	3	4
E. L. Porter, Evan .....	Gujranwala, do	do .....	4	179			6
T. F. Cummings .....	do do	Badoki .....	8	113	7		7
do .....	do do	Othian Galatian .....	4	60	4		8
do .....	do do	Trigari .....		1070	72		9
do .....	do do	Unorganized Cent'rs. .....	6	185	10		10
Jiwan Mal .....	do do	Gujranwala .....	2	106	1		11
Fazl Ud Din .....	Kila Didar Singh, do	Chahal .....		788	33	5	12
J. H. Martin, S. C. ....	Lyallpur, do	Hafizabad, 68 villag's .....		193		193	13
do .....	do do	Lyallpur, 20 villages .....					12
H. J. Kyle, Evan.—9 .....	Jhang, do	do .....					14
<i>Pastoral Charges, 5. Missionary Societies, 3. Sabbath Schools, 4. Young People's Societies, 1.</i>							
<i>Licentiates, 2.</i>	<i>Students, 5.</i>		27	2785	145	205	15
<b>Gurdaspur.</b>							
Aziz ul Haqq .....	Dinanagar, India.	Awankha .....	2	73	5	6	16
David R. Gordon, S. S. & S. C. ....	Gurdaspur, do	Gurdaspur, 5 villages .....	2	65	14	5	17
Abdulla .....	do do	36 villages .....		282	100	31	18
W. T. Anderson, S. S. ....	Zafarwal, do	Zafarwal, 7 villages .....	3	67	5	11	19
Rura Mull .....	Chimma, do	Chimma .....	2	77	11		20
Gundu Mull .....	Nadala, do	Nadala—5 .....	3	81	1		21
		69 villages .....		535	40	48	22
<i>Without Charge.</i>							
A. B. Caldwell, Prof. ....	Sialkot, do	<i>Pastoral Charges, 5. Missionary Societies, 2. Sabbath Schools, 63. Young People's Societies, 0.</i>	12	1180	176	101	23
J. S. Barr, D. D. ....	do do						
T. E. Holiday—10 .....	Hafizabad, do						
<i>Licentiates, 1.</i>	<i>Students, 3.</i>						
<b>Illinois, Central.</b>							
John Harper .....	Smithville, Ill.	Harmony .....	2	55	1		24
J. E. McFadden .....	Hanna City, do	Bethel .....	3	50	5		25
C. M. Lawrence .....	Washburn, do	Washburn † .....	4	89	9	2	26
S. A. Moore .....	Hoopston, do	Hoopston † .....	5	116	12	2	27
G. E. Young .....	Piper City, do	Piper City † .....	4	108	7	2	28
M. M. Marling, P. E. ....	Carlock, do	Carlock † .....	4	54	1	1	29
G. G. Wilson, S. S. ....	Paxton, do	Paxton † .....	5	*160			30
<i>Correspondent.</i>							
J. A. Long .....	Owaneco, do	Spring Creek—8 .....	3	56			31
<i>Without Charge.</i>							
J. L. Fairley .....	Piper City, do	NOTE.—Oak Grove changed to Carlock.					
W. F. Johnson, S. C. ....	Chicago, do						
A. S. Vincent, D. D. ....	Monmouth, do						
J. L. Pinkerton.—11 .....	Taylorville, do	<i>Pastoral Charges, 8. Missionary Societies, 8. Sabbath Schools, 8. Young People's Societies, 8.</i>	30	684	35	7	32
<i>Licentiates, 0.</i>	<i>Students, 1.</i>						
<b>Illinois, Southern.</b>							
R. E. Wilkin, S. C. ....	Tilden, Ill.	Prosperity, (2) .....	6	258	19	3	31
D. C. Stewart .....	St. Louis, Mo.	1st St. Louis .....	5	198	11	14	34
J. W. Ashwood .....	do do	Grand Avenue .....	4	178	29	18	35
A. M. Milligan .....	Houston, Ill.	Jordan's Grove .....	5	155	7	2	36
A. C. Douglass, S. S. ....	St. Louis, Mo.	Wagoner Place .....	4	81	13	1	37
N. Childs .....	Sparta, Ill.	Union .....	6	143	8	4	38
C. M. Richie .....	Cutler, do	Cutler, 2/3 .....	5	155	26	5	39
do .....	do do	Hopewell, 1/2 .....	5	103	1	1	40

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1																							
2			3	1																	4	50	
3																							
4	1	2	1									57									7	44	
5												4									1	15	
6	1											1											
7		12	8	7								2											
8				4								2											
9		88		72								63											
10	4	3	9	10								60	39							25	6	272	21
11		12		1								1	4										
12	7	109	8	33								2											
13												4											
14																							
15	13	229	36	131								194	43										
16	3	7	8	5								10											
17	4	4	12	14								64											
18	4	70	87	99								25											
19	2	11	4	5								28											
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21	2		4	1								4											
22	11	63	65	40								34											
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26	2		3	5	47	44	22	22	13	2	4	266	750	48	1218	24 36		5	65	15			
27	1	10	6		15	50		7	12		6	21	800	350	1261	14 83	18	9	55	44			
28	1	11	1		70	65	20	5	4	3	3	193	920	317	1600	13 79	33	15	108	72			
29	2	10	4	1	114	100	50	50	197	4	9	60	800	400	1784	16 51	59	11	45	45			
30					15	17	5					35	330	66	468	8 66	*37	7	52	20			
31	2		5		20	10	10	5	3		5	9		51	113	2 00	* 0	7	60	34			
32	9	31	14	13	414	385	161	138	254	11	31	622	4061	1323	7400	14 12	204	62	458	236			
33		11	17		106	62	27	24	15	3	5	96	800	112	1250	4 84	45	19	210	49			
34	2	25	11	2	241	180	91	91	53	5	15	395	1800	1851	4722	23 84	100	16	140	209			
35		24	10	11	27	9	1	201	16	1	1	288	1500	1528	3572	20 06	90	21	240	130			
36	2	7	2	1	59	57	35	24	12	2	5	239	1000	175	1608	10 37	25	15	147	132			
37		10	9	4	57	60	7	13	10	2	3	143	367	721	1383	17 07	46	8	125	70			
38		5	5	2	7	64	21	10	7	1	2	32	780	228	1217	8 51	40	9	80	30			
39	2	3	10	9	97	80	27	20	13		17	81	627	174	1686	7 60	35	18	209	110			
40	6	2			42	30	10	10	9		5	30	280	73	489	4 74	12	12	61	22			

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<b>Illinois, Southern.—Con.</b>										
R. W. McBride.....	Marrissa,	Ill	Marrissa	9	251	4	2	1		
W. A. Chambers.....	Oakdale,	do	Oakdale †	4	184	10	3	2		
John A. Henderson.....	Sparta,	do	Sparta †	11	500	24	21	3		
James E. Kerr.....	Coulterville,	do	Coulterville †	7	213	21	24	4		
James T. Wilson, S. S.....	De Witt,	Ark.	De Witt	3	65	4	.....	5		
T. A. McKernon, P. E.....	Starkville,	Miss.	Starkville, ½ †	4	98	2	13	6		
do	do	do	Osborne, ½	4	38	1	10	7		
H. J. McClure.....	Cartter,	Ill.	Romine Prairie †	5	125	8	3	8		
Joseph Alter, S. S.....	Preston,	do	Springfield †	5	103	41	4	9		
<i>Correspondents.</i>										
W. M. Adair.....	Swauwick,	do	{ Bethel	5	126	5	2	10		
John N. Milligan.....	Pyatt,	do	{ Four Mile	2	33	8	2	11		
J. H. McBratney.....	Xenia,	do	{ Xenia Prairie	4	61	.....	.....	12		
Allen A. Glassey.....	Cuba,	Mo.	{ Cuba	2	42	.....	.....	13		
Thomas Hamilton.....	do	do	{ Pleasant Ridge	2	*20	.....	.....	14		
W. J. Welsh, M. D.....	Bailey,	do	Dundas—23	3	27	.....	.....	15		
<i>Without Charge.</i>										
R. C. Hamilton, M. D.....	Coulterville,	Ill.	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....		
J. C. Elliott.....	Swanwick,	do	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....		
A. S. Montgomery.....	Brownsville,	do	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....		
A. R. Rankin.....	Xenia,	do	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....		
J. W. Buchanan.....	Joliet,	do	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....		
D. J. White.....	Coulterville,	do	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....		
J. J. Thomson, Pres.—22.....	Stuttgart,	Ark.	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....		
<i>Licentiate, 2.</i>			<i>Students, 2.</i>			110	3157	242	132	16
<b>Indiana.</b>										
J. D. Lytle, S. C.....	Hanover,	Ind.	Carmel †	4	158	10	2	17		
W. H. French, D. D.....	Rushville,	do	Rushville.....	4	86	4	3	18		
J. P. Cowan, D. D., S. S.....	Indianapolis,	do	Woodruff Ave.....	3	99	5	8	19		
Paul Stewart.....	Spring Hill,	do	Spring Hill †	4	170	31	5	20		
Joseph Littell.....	Indianapolis,	do	1st Indianapolis	3	47	.....	.....	21		
<i>Correspondents.</i>										
N. M. Brown.....	Milroy,	do	Milroy †	4	44	7	3	22		
Chas. Griffin.....	Dunreith,	do	Shiloh.....	3	82	4	2	23		
Edgar Culbertson.....	Moorefield,	do	Caledonia †	5	80	1	.....	24		
G. T. Kassen.....	Richland,	do	Richland.....	4	70	1	.....	25		
J. E. Reed.....	Madison,	do	Madison †	5	68	11	4	26		
A. F. Martin.....	Glenwood,	do	Glenwood—11.....	3	35	.....	1	27		
<i>Without Charge.</i>										
G. I. Gorlon.....	Xenia,	Ohio.	<i>Pastoral Charges, 11.</i>	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....		
N. C. McDill, D. D.—7.....	Richland,	Ind.	<i>Missionary Societies, 12.</i>	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....		
<i>Licentiate, 0.</i>			<i>Students, 0.</i>			42	939	74	28	28
<b>Indiana, Northern.</b>										
R. H. Boyd.....	Tipton,	Ind.	Bethsaida †	5	95	1	1	29		
do	do	do	Mt. Pleasant.....	4	99	28	4	30		
J. C. White, S. S.....	Muncie,	do	Muncie.....	5	50	11	8	31		
A. S. Bailey, S. C.....	Idaville,	do	Idaville †	5	143	9	4	32		
C. M. Filer.....	Elizaville,	do	Salem †	5	87	.....	3	33		
J. C. Truesdale, S. S.....	Alexandria,	do	Alexandria	3	31	3	1	34		
<i>Correspondents.</i>										
J. S. Gamble.....	Alexandria,	do	Alexandria.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	35		
J. H. Buchanan.....	Hebron,	do	{ Hebron.....	6	67	.....	1	36		
do	do	do	{ Leroy.....	2	35	.....	.....	37		
E. H. Gasell.....	Selma,	do	{ Selma.....	4	70	2	3	38		
J. W. Park.....	Murray,	do	{ Murray †	3	37	2	3	39		
Geo. Gephart.....	Warren,	do	Warren—11.....	2	**10	.....	.....	40		
<i>Without Charge.</i>										
J. N. Buchanan.....	Hebron,	do	<i>Pastoral Charges, 7.</i>	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....		
T. E. Turner.....	Elizaville,	do	<i>Missionary Societies, 7.</i>	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....		
J. T. Wilson—8.....	Monmouth,	do	<i>Sabbath Schools, 10.</i>	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....		
<i>Licentiate, 0.</i>			<i>Students, 0.</i>			44	724	56	28	41

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1																						
2	4	20	5	2	213	243	100	105	64	8	10	309	1000	193	2245	8 94	78	27	230	190		
3	4	21	3	1	194	389	24	23	15	2	5	176	800	232	1560	8 47	58	20	158	116		
4	8	12	5	5	408	340	201	195	120	16	32	603	1350	757	4022	8 04	150	29	308	191		
5	12	10	1	1	45	25	5	27	3	4	9	4	61	800	628	1576	7 40	93	16	140	50	
6	3	5	3	1	17	20	10	7	.....	.....	.....	.....	25	300	55	434	6 67	20	8	68	35	
7	1	8	.....	.....	5	27	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	350	518	900	9 18	50	10	94	41		
8	7	.....	.....	.....	7	15	3	.....	.....	.....	.....	1	70	167	19	282	7 42	21	7	40	19	
9	7	3	.....	.....	66	40	16	10	3	2	2	10	500	43	693	5 54	45	17	140	57		
10	2	12	7	9	9	20	5	5	.....	.....	.....	2	20	352	523	936	9 08	50	10	114	32	
11	4	4	5	.....	78	25	30	15	5	9	.....	2	350	100	614	4 87	10	10	90	25		
12	1	5	.....	.....	11	7	2	2	1	1	1	5	156	2	188	5 69	.....	7	33	5		
13	1	3	.....	.....	15	9	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	3	.....	72	89	1 36	39	10	45	7		
14	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	30	54	1 28	25	6	28	3		
15	4	.....	.....	.....	5	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	50	.....	55	2 03	16	7	67	13		
16	41	200	114	48	1769	1415	610	759	343	61	111	2538	13329	8034	28969	8 29	1048	302	2767	1536		
17	3	4	1	2	160	157	65	65	30	4	11	54	800	173	1519	9 61	30	13	126	122		
18	5	2	1	1	24	54	18	15	4	2	6	18	700	49	890	10 34	63	13	75	69		
19	15	1	.....	.....	5	11	2	5	6	.....	.....	.....	400	192	621	6 28	73	16	250	100		
20	4	15	2	23	180	148	57	31	20	.....	5	161	950	200	1752	10 31	56	11	100	42		
21	1	4	.....	.....	57	49	24	24	14	2	4	13	720	713	1620	34 47	28	10	86	102		
22	2	2	.....	4	38	37	10	9	2	.....	.....	.....	242	60	398	9 04	15	8	40	30		
23	1	6	.....	3	26	32	8	2	.....	.....	.....	62	246	84	463	5 63	20	8	99	36		
24	4	7	3	1	14	9	7	4	11	4	3	.....	352	86	490	6 01	45	14	73	11		
25	1	6	.....	.....	30	5	31	11	4	2	7	900	500	100	1640	23 42	*18	*8	.....	.....		
26	1	8	6	5	24	16	11	4	.....	.....	.....	24	400	315	794	11 67	27	9	66	55		
27	1	2	.....	.....	5	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	160	13	178	5 08	.....	.....	.....	.....		
28	23	71	14	39	608	523	233	170	91	14	39	1232	5470	1935	10365	11 03	375	110	995	567		
29	1	6	.....	.....	5	12	112	10	.....	.....	.....	91	331	60	621	6 53	20	9	75	35		
30	1	.....	.....	4	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	102	350	58	510	5 15	23	11	75	25		
31	7	.....	.....	1	3	13	5	33	2	1	1	.....	260	187	505	10 11	35	18	114	64		
32	2	4	6	2	50	30	17	12	5	5	5	19	700	875	1718	12 01	43	13	118	53		
33	2	4	.....	.....	7	23	14	.....	6	3	5	18	600	67	743	8 54	33	9	51	18		
34	.....	14	.....	1	2	3	2	3	.....	.....	.....	9	52	25	96	3 09	15	10	50	52		
35	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....		
36	.....	.....	.....	.....	46	29	12	4	.....	.....	3	20	325	66	505	7 51	26	7	40	46		
37	5	.....	.....	.....	23	16	24	2	.....	2	4	.....	252	53	380	10 27	*20	8	40	20		
38	28	.....	.....	2	6	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	240	50	296	4 23	35	11	50	20		
39	2	1	1	.....	16	12	4	4	.....	.....	.....	4	162	10	212	5 73	24	10	65	36		
40	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....		
41	6	70	8	11	158	138	190	68	13	11	13	267	3272	1451	5586	7 71	276	106	678	369		

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<b>Iowa, Northwestern.</b>							
S. R. McLaughlin.....	Rock Valley,	Iowa,	Rock Valley †.....	6	109	6	1
D. Nicoll, S. S.....	Ida Grove,	do	Battle Creek.....	2	46	.....	2
J. A. McKirahan, S. S.....	Sioux City,	do	Sioux City.....	2	51	17	3
Robert Hood, S. S., S. C.....	Quimby,	do	Quimby.....	3	48	10	4
C. C. Potter.....	Ireton,	do	Ireton †.....	5	79	.....	5
<i>Correspondent.</i>			<i>Vacancy.</i>				
A. C. Gibson.....	Boyden,	do	Boyden †—6.....	5	69	10	3
<i>Without Charge.</i>							
J. S. Maughlin—6.....	Snohomish,	Wash.	<i>Pastoral Charges, 6.</i> <i>Missionary Societies, 6.</i> <i>Sabbath Schools, 6.</i> <i>Young People's Societies, 5.</i>				
<i>Licentiate, 0.</i>	<i>Students, 0.</i>			24	402	39	10
<b>Kansas City.</b>							
D. M. McClellan.....	Kansas City,	Kan.	1st Kansas City, Kan	5	134	11	7
M. F. McKirahan.....	Topeka,	do	1st Topeka †.....	4	125	3	3
S. M. Hood, S. C.....	Nortonville,	do	Nortonville †.....	3	102	4	4
James White, D. D.....	Kansas City,	Mo.	2d Kansas City, Mo.....	3	94	2	14
L. W. Williamson.....	Mulberry,	do	Amoret, ½ †.....	3	66	.....	4
do.....	do	do	Mulberry, ½ †.....	3	79	9	9
D. W. McQuiston.....	Lawrence,	Kan.	Lawrence.....	5	157	16	15
J. F. Ross, S. S.....	Kansas City,	Mo.	1st Kansas City, Mo.....	5	97	11	11
<i>Correspondents.</i>			<i>Vacancies.</i>				
Rev. M. F. McKirahan.....	Topeka,	Kan.	Liberty, M. S. S.....				16
A. D. Johnston.....	Kingsville,	Mo.	Kingsville.....	2	36	4	17
F. T. McCullough.....	Greenwood,	do	Greenwood.....	1	18	.....	18
W. H. Douglass.....	Birmingham,	Kan.	Denison †.....	4	97	6	3
H. L. McLaughlin, M. D.....	Topeka,	do	2d Topeka—12.....	4	58	8	20
<i>Without Charge.</i>							
W. J. Gillespie, Chap.....	Leavenworth,	do					
W. H. Lytle.....	Lawrence,	do	<i>Pastoral Charges, 10.</i> <i>Missionary Societies, 11.</i> <i>Sabbath Schools, 12.</i> <i>Young People's Societies, 13.</i>				
O. S. Morrow.....	Topeka,	do					
M. B. Brownlee.....	Lawrence,	do					
Wm. Littlejohn, D. D.—12.....	Topeka,	do					
<i>Licentiate, 0.</i>	<i>Students, 0.</i>			42	1062	74	70
<b>Keokuk.</b>							
Jas. R. Logne.....	Washington,	Iowa,	2d Washington.....	7	292	4	11
W. C. Williamson, D. D.....	Keokuk,	do	Keokuk.....	5	241	8	7
A. L. Davidson, S. C.....	Washington,	do	1st Washington.....	4	359	20	21
John A. Greer.....	Columbus City,	do	Columbus City.....	6	137	5	3
N. A. Whitehill.....	West Chester,	do	West Chester †.....	2	49	2	1
do.....	do	do	Westminster.....	3	44	4	27
H. H. Brownell.....	Keota,	do	Keota †.....	3	82	3	8
E. H. Thompson.....	Crawfordsville,	do	Crawfordsville †.....	3	165	7	8
R. C. Monteith.....	Birmingham,	do	Birmingham †.....	2	54	1	7
Jas. P. Davis.....	Ainsworth,	do	Ainsworth †.....	6	195	15	10
Jno. A. Shannon.....	Winfield,	do	Winfield †.....	3	89	19	6
J. M. McConnell, S. S.....	Wapello,	do	Harrison.....	3	35	.....	3
E. M. McFadden, P. E.....	Morning Sun,	do	Morning Sun †.....	4	176	8	4
<i>Correspondents.</i>			<i>Vacancies.</i>				
Hugh McCausland.....	Washington,	do	Living Lake.....	4	38	3	1
N. W. Lyon.....	Brighton,	do	Brighton.....	3	60	3	6
J. H. Carothers.....	Burlington,	do	Burlington—16.....	4	100	2	2
<i>Without Charge.</i>							
S. E. McKee.....	Washington,	do					
John Lackey.....	do	do					
W. M. Richie.....	Ledyard,	do					
W. M. Matthews.....	Ainsworth,	do	<i>Pastoral Charges, 15.</i> <i>Missionary Societies, 24.</i> <i>Sabbath Schools, 16.</i> <i>Young People's Societies, 22.....</i>				
Albert Gordon—16.....	Burlington,	do					
<i>Licentiate, 0.</i>	<i>Students, 4.</i>			16	2117	111	95

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1	3	14	3		20	51	20	20				22	800	775	1708	15 66	56	11	226	90	
2	1	8			35	35	10					45	250	80	455	9 89		11	70	43	
3	1			13	15	30	5	14				13	76	335	490	9 60	10	10	65	53	
4	1	3			25	65	8	12	11	1	3	16	316	71	528	11 00	19	11	60	43	
5	1	6	3		30	64						70	630	460	1254	15 88	51	13	129	71	
6		13	7	2	2	29	3	3				5	350	165	557	8 08	20	15	125	72	
7	6	42	16	15	127	274	36	59	11	13	5	159	2422	1886	4992	12 42	156	71	675	372	
8	1	8	8	3	20	20	10	10	1	1	1	30	710	597	1400	10 44	20	25	250	165	
9	1	15		1	35	20	11	80				106	1000	295	1547	12 37	60	21	175	90	
10	2	6	3		23	11	9		8			30	800	283	1164	11 41	29	10	85	42	
11	3	7	1	1	54	79	12	25	10		4	39	424	331	976	10 40	60	12	100	72	
12	2				9	18	6	5	1			13	300	64	416	6 30	36	1	103	34	
13	6		3		15	12			2			10	400	313	752	9 51	30	9	107	30	
14	4	8	6	6	90	58	33	26			6	277	1000	205	1695	10 79	41	14	116	131	
15		8	2	5	56	61	26	39	12	4	12	69	500	835	1614	16 64	47	15	115	79	
16																	*75	*12	*125		
17		9		3	3	2	2					12	102	15	136	3 77	21	10	47	28	
18	1				7	1	3						18	12	47	2 76		6	22	30	
19	3	20	5		30	16						50	250	60	406	4 18	34	17	115	60	
20		8	2	1	17	15	5	7		6		30	500	473	1053	18 15	31	14	96	74	
21	17	97	23	22	359	319	117	192	34	11	23	666	6004	3433	11208	10 99	484	178	1456	8 5	
22	4	21	8	1	299	278	139	139	27	9	21	650	1100	500	3162	10 82	170	19	145	261	
23	4	46	6	4	167	157	67	47	45	5	8	50	1500	1420	3466	14 38	96	23	237	343	
24	7	17	2	5	382	266	155	186	30	10	20	1066	1000	681	3796	10 57	156	20	253	276	
25	2	6	7		199	86	110	24	25		13	85	820	177	1539	11 23	62	12	120	64	
26	1	7	1		19	2	6	2				64	250	14	357	7 28	18	6	30	41	
27		2		2	12	17	8			4	3	88	300	48	480	10 90	30	9	50	31	
28		7	1	2	40	35	17	7	15	2	3	275	800	182	1376	16 78	17	13	76	97	
29	6	5	3	3	91	85	48	12				190	725	244	1395	8 45	37	13	98	65	
30	2	2	1		27	35	7	13				9	450	303	844	15 62	23	9	51	66	
31	3	6	2	1	181	171	86	85	17	6	13	210	800	751	2320	11 89	84	15	175	159	
32	1	5	1	11	67	52	25	25	4	1	3	169	433	480	1259	14 14	33	11	68	71	
33		11			5	34						5	332	43	419	11 97	29	8	53	22	
34	1	34	6	1	119	43	25	5				48	900	440	1580	8 97	92	18	146	72	
35	2	21			60	42	45	8		2	4	44	400	36	641	16 43	31	10	49	72	
36	1	5		1	21	28						12	448	93	602	10 03	25	9	26	22	
37	2	4	5	1	29	15	16	7	1			59	689	73	839	8 89	41	10	80	52	
38	36	199	45	32	1718	1346	754	560	161	39	88	3024	10947	5485	24125	11 39	934	205	1559	1334	

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<b>Lake.</b>										
H. H. Hervey, D. D.	Hartstown, Pa.	Hartstown	7	241	10	3	1			
F. W. Free	Waterford, do	Waterford	4	120	4		2			
W. R. Bruce	Sheakleyville, do	Sheakleyville	6	102	2	3	3			
do	do	Sugar Grove	3	72	6		4			
J. C. Wilson, D. D.	Erie, do	Erie †	7	259	11	4	4			
N. E. Brown	Conneaut Lake, do	Conneaut Lake	5	106	11	5	6			
do	do	Watsons' Run		*38			7			
James Dodds	Titusville, do	Oakland, ½		38	2		8			
W. E. McBride	Oil City, do	Oil City		138	8	16	9			
do	do	Flumer		30	4		10			
Thomas F. B. Smith	Utica, do	Utica †		122	23	5	11			
J. M. Jamieson, S. C.	Jamestown, do	Jamestown		246	8	3	12			
G. A. Brown	Espyville Sta., do	North Shenango †		210	27	11	13			
D. G. McKay, D. D.	Greenville, do	Greenville		288	9	16	14			
W. M. Curry	Linesville, do	Linesville		3	77	20	10			
A. P. Hutchison, P. E.	Sandy Lake, do	Sandy Lake		2	122	8	1			
<i>Correspondents.</i>										
John Patterson	Westford, do	Ebenezer		4	65		17			
R. S. Morrin	Jamestown, do	Shenango †		4	76	3	2			
David Ward	Cochranton, do	Power		4	75	6	19			
John S. Conover	Vroman, do	Rometown		2	26	4	20			
J. M. Baird	Adamsville, do	Adamsville		5	164		3			
L. Alexander	Kearsage, do	Summit		2	26	1	22			
W. C. Brittain, M. D.	Cochranton, do	Cochranton		8	343	41	7			
Harvey Rose	Raymlton, do	Sandy		2	107	2	5			
Robert Mack	Gresham, do	Kerr Ridge—25		2	30	1	25			
<i>Without Charge.</i>										
Samuel Dodds, Prof	Grove City, do									
J. Westlake	Millbrook, do									
J. A. F. Bovard	Oil City, do									
M. M. Brown	Monmouth, Ill.									
J. P. McKee, D. D.	Jamestown, Pa.									
W. H. Clark—25	Linesville, do									
<i>Licentiates, 2.</i>			<i>Students, 2.</i>			104	3121	211	94	26
<b>Le Claire.</b>										
W. R. Hutchison	Zwingle, Iowa.	Bethel †		2	30		27			
do	do	Cascade		3	11		28			
W. E. Dunlap	De Witt, do	De Witt †		4	64	4	5			
R. H. Barr	Elvira, do	Elvira †		3	59	21	10			
C. E. Hanna	Le Claire, do	Le Claire Prairie †		5	177	9	2			
W. R. Sawhill, S. C.	Stanwood, do	Stanwood †		6	140	17	12			
S. M. McConnell—6	Wyoming, do	Wyoming		2	55	3	6			
<i>Correspondent.</i>										
R. M. Gibson	Andrew, do	Andrew †—8		4	124	5	1			
<i>Pastoral Charges, 7.</i>										
<i>Missionary Societies, 11.</i>										
<i>Sabbath Schools, 8.</i>										
<i>Young People's Societies, 13.</i>										
<i>Licentiates, 0.</i>			<i>Students, 0.</i>			29	660	59	36	35
<b>Los Angeles.</b>										
M. M. Kilpatrick	Santa Ana, Cal.	Santa Ana		5	128	5	11			
Henry W. T rabbe, S. S	Los Angeles, do	2d Los Angeles		3	61	3	37			
A. W. Jamieson, S. C	Wildomar, do	Wildomar		4	70	2	5			
W. W. Logan	Los Angeles, do	1st Los Angeles		4	81	4	16			
do	do	Chinese Mission			23	3	40			
R. G. Wallace, D. D	San Diego, do	San Diego		1	56	7	41			
E. S. McKittrick, D. D., S. S	Pasadena, do	Pasadena		2	48	7	17			
<i>Correspondent.</i>										
Rev. T. J. C. Webster	Beaumont, do	Beaumont—7		2	12		43			
<i>Without Charge.</i>										
D. S. McHenry	Tustin, do									
T. J. C. Wester	Beaumont, do									
Wm. Stevenson	Alhambra, do									
B. L. Baldridge	Los Angeles, do									



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1		9	4	37	44	36	61					800	205	1219	5 00		11	120	37	
2	3	6	5	106	93	71	56	5	2	3	46	1000	162	1544	12 86		12	80	141	
3		13	5	20	12	3	40					300	183	558	5 47	35	10	53	17	
4	1	4	1	10						3		200	50	271	3 76	50	11	52	25	
5	4	5	13	326	286	150	151	69	8	25	125	1500	1950	4590	17 72	140	17	145	255	
6	1	4	1	48	34	22	27	5		3		400	254	793	7 48	23	10	80	33	
7																				
8		2		15	11	11	28	2	2			288	15	322	8 47		5	35	15	
9	1	8	5	1			400		7		145	800	548	1900	13 77	30	14	95	97	
10		5	1	1			27		3			300	75	405	13 50		7	31	20	
11	5	1	10	9	70	49	29	44	5	3	39	400	170	809	6 63	51	11	80	30	
12	5	6	6	1	86	47	19	115	8	7	477	1000	455	2214	9 00	100	15	171	120	
13	1	8	5	16	20	22	44	75	11	3	3	110	727	397	1412	6 72	50	16	130	72
14	5	26	2	61	72	20	162		2	5	81	1200	363	1966	6 82	112	17	185	155	
15				12		11	32					2	204	1200	1449	18 82	49	12	79	25
16	4	3	3	17								613	50	680	5 49	40	10	63	44	
17	3	8		24	24	5			3			270	26	322	4 95		10	40	16	
18		4	4	5	14	5	13		4			332	47	420	5 52	20	8	58	5	
19		1	2	13		3			4			300	13	340	4 53	15	6	40	15	
20			5	1	5	3						143	340	491	18 90		7			
21	1	3	1	50	50	45	76		25			714	215	1175	7 16	45	14	115	98	
22		1	1	4	4	2						112	12	138	5 30					
23	3	8	13	8	74	94	38	15	10		5	125	1000	507	2010	5 86	60	18	200	90
24	1	3	8	19	10	7	48					350	30	464	4 33		8	60	15	
25	2	26		7	8				1			225	29	270	9 00	1.	8	25	14	
26	35	145	95	66	995	896	535	1524	115	61	54	1188	13098	7296	25762	8 35	842	257	1937	1343
27		4	3	8	3	3	2				10	550	74	650	21 66	44	9	42	16	
28		2	2	3	2	2						165	55	227	20 63	8	6	15	2	
29	2	5	1	29	40	24	15	5		4	55	475	98	745	11 64	30	11	65	63	
30	1	8	10	8	40	42	69	41	10	2	2	126	600	92	1024	17 35	49	9	6	66
31	1	7	6	5	148	149	74	47	19	14	18	204	700	242	1615	9 06	65	17	154	77
32	1	1	3	3	158	118	41	34	10	3	8	80	620	133	1205	8 60	62	16	130	62
33		1		47	61	21	26		3		25	580	75	835	15 18	*31	12	*61	47	
34		6	4	25	41	15	10	10	5	3	126	634	235	1104	8 90	70	13	114	41	
35	4	31	27	17	458	456	249	175	54	24	35	626	4324	1004	7405	14 13	359	92	643	373
36	1	2	5	73	52	30	30	15	3	8	63	1900	36	1638	12 79	55	11	67	61	
37	1	12	1	9		2	9				83	800	245	1148	19 90	30	5	4	25	
38		7	3	1	29	70	5	20	6	2	5	35	460	445	1079	15 40	71	19	80	102
39	1	5		88	127	59	48	18	2	10	77	710	514	1653	20 40	30	16	70	93	
40			3									170	170	7 34	20	4	20			
41	1	6	1	1	18	18	53				24	277	474	864	15 70	65	9	80	26	
42	1	3	2	28	25	13	16	7	1	2	48	300	2547	2987	62 24	21	9	69	230	
43		2		4	5							38	6	53	4 41		4	15	7	

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<b>Los Angeles.—Con.</b>							
J. C. Nevin, Ph. D.	Los Angeles,	do					
D. M. Gelvin	do	do					
James Kelso	Pasadena,	do					
R. J. Thompson—14	Beaumont,	do					
<i>Licentiate</i> s, 0.	<i>Student</i> s, 0.	<i>Pastoral Charges</i> , 7. <i>Missionary Societies</i> , 9. <i>Sabbath Schools</i> , 9. <i>Young People's Societies</i> , 10.	21	478	31	49	1
<b>Mansfield.</b>							
F. B. Foster	Mansfield,	Ohio.	7	284	13	6	2
R. T. McCrea	Avondale,	do	4	82	11		3
do	do	do	2	47			4
D. K. McKnight, D.D., S.S., S.C.	Canton,	do	3	42	3	6	5
William Ekin Shaw	Fredericksburg,	do	6	80	1		6
J. T. Caldwell	Iberia,	do	5	108	2	2	7
J. W. Martin	Millersburg,	do	3	65	6	5	8
J. O. Campbell, D. D.	Wooster,	do	8	227	9	10	9
James E. Springer	Savannah,	do	3	116	14	6	10
<i>Correspondents.</i>		<i>Vacancies.</i>					
James Cahill	Tiro,	do		25			11
T. M. Crooks	Ontario,	do		35	1		12
John Bell	Hayesville,	do		*19			13
C. W. Jewell	Utica,	do		*60			14
J. C. McDowell	Dalton,	do	5	100	3		15
<i>Without Charge.</i>							
F. M. Proctor	Mansfield,	do					
S. C. Hubbell	Wooster,	do					
John A. Bower	do	do					
John A. Wilson, D. D., Prof.	Allegheny,	Pa.					
A. McDowell—13	Dalton,	Ohio.					
<i>Licentiate</i> s, 2.	<i>Student</i> s, 0.	<i>Pastoral Charges</i> , 12. <i>Missionary Societies</i> , 13. <i>Sabbath Schools</i> , 12. <i>Young People's Societies</i> , 13.	46	1290	63	35	16
<b>Mercer.</b>							
W. A. Mehard, D. D.	New Castle,	Pa.	6	119	6	8	17
W. J. Snodgrass, S. C.	West Middlesex,	do	5	117	7	4	18
do	do	do	4	63			2
I. T. Wright	Wheeler,	do	7	135	12	7	20
S. W. Gilkey, D. D.	Mercer,	do	4	190	4	4	21
E. N. McElree, D. D.	New Wilmington,	do	5	225	6	25	22
W. R. Wilson	Mercer,	do	7	370	24	2	23
J. D. Barr	New Wilmington,	do	5	205	5	12	24
R. A. Kingan	Plain Grove,	do	5	170	17	1	25
do	do	do	3	28	7	2	26
John W. Gealy, P. E.	New Bedford,	do	5	148	4	9	27
<i>Correspondents.</i>		<i>Vacancies.</i>					
G. W. Palmer	Leesburg,	do	5	104	5		28
Calvin McConnell	Clark,	do	1	33	3	2	29
M. K. Hamilton	Sharon,	do	4	127	2	2	30
<i>Without Charges.</i>							
R. G. Ferguson, D. D., Pres	New Wilmington,	do					
G. H. Getty—19	do	do					
<i>Licentiate</i> s, 2.	<i>Student</i> s, 2.	<i>Pastoral Charges</i> , 11. <i>Missionary Societies</i> , 16. <i>Sabbath Schools</i> , 14. <i>Young People's Societies</i> , 16.	66	2034	102	80	31
<b>Monmouth.</b>							
W. T. Campbell, D. D.	Monmouth,	Ill.	14	339	11	21	32
T. H. Hanna, D. D.	do	do	15	507	10	26	33
J. A. Renwick	Biggsville,	do	8	215	4	5	34
T. G. Morrow	Gerlaw,	do	2	71	7	4	35
A. N. Porter	Media,	do	5	68	4		36
J. P. Nesbit	La Prairie Center,	do	3	113	2	1	37
N. H. Brown	Olena,	do	4	90	6	7	38
W. J. Drew	Elmira,	do	6	130	28	3	39
R. W. Nairn	Kirkwood,	do	3	213	13	5	40
J. P. Gibson, S. C.	Alexis,	do	6	144	3	3	41
A. M. Acheson	Eleanor.	do	4	120	11	7	42

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1	5	37	10	7	249	297	109	176	46	8	25	330	3585	4766	9531	20 06	292	71	446	494		
2	7	12	9	7	379	855	70	83	17	4	16	245	1200	1172	4041	14 22	110	20	195	80		
3	3	3	4	4	10	6	2	4	.....	.....	.....	.....	230	65	317	3 86	30	13	48	.....		
4	2	1	.....	.....	8	6	3	4	.....	.....	.....	.....	195	25	241	5 12	11	7	28	.....		
5	1	1	.....	.....	5	9	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	37	351	402	9 57	24	7	60	24		
6	5	11	.....	.....	74	80	27	33	5	3	9	37	936	508	1712	21 40	16	10	75	45		
7	2	3	.....	.....	35	35	9	2	1	.....	.....	.....	11	600	209	9 35	20	10	69	18		
8	1	5	.....	.....	54	48	13	13	10	2	2	50	600	120	912	14 00	40	9	65	52		
9	3	11	.....	.....	180	155	75	75	14	3	11	46	968	670	2197	9 68	72	18	154	99		
10	1	4	.....	.....	67	40	27	26	.....	.....	.....	.....	138	670	978	8 25	67	14	85	61		
11	.....	.....	1	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....		
12	.....	6	.....	1	20	15	5	5	.....	.....	.....	.....	25	130	.....	155	6 20	.....	5	21	13	
13	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	16	164	150	375	10 71	.....	9	50	24	
14	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	
15	2	4	7	.....	12	15	5	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	55	385	50	522	5 22	38	13	75	42	
16	23	61	31	21	844	1264	236	245	47	12	38	623	6045	3400	12754	10 53	428	139	945	475		
17	1	5	2	1	60	60	57	15	17	.....	.....	.....	17	19	400	162	807	6 78	48	13	102	58
18	1	6	1	1	102	78	60	10	5	.....	.....	.....	10	20	590	145	930	7 95	40	11	70	22
19	1	5	.....	.....	22	16	6	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	6	24	500	110	690	10 95	44	9	67	34
20	3	13	.....	.....	105	95	59	43	27	2	5	19	850	118	1325	9 80	39	15	143	109		
21	3	7	.....	.....	71	61	31	20	20	.....	.....	.....	71	1000	400	1674	8 80	62	16	120	57	
22	4	17	.....	.....	472	276	185	149	359	7	15	84	1200	482	3220	14 31	120	21	193	207		
23	10	29	12	1	452	404	224	191	108	11	27	92	1400	3269	6178	16 70	108	16	225	.....		
24	4	22	5	4	248	131	118	53	136	6	15	40	1000	359	2106	10 27	67	19	160	128		
25	1	21	3	3	100	131	70	36	4	8	4	136	575	243	1307	7 68	60	15	158	67		
26	.....	12	9	4	23	28	15	9	2	2	2	6	225	28	340	12 14	.....	8	30	15		
27	.....	13	4	1	30	45	10	7	.....	.....	.....	.....	660	648	1400	9 45	38	11	90	27		
28	6	14	6	.....	31	32	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	310	194	567	5 45	*20	12	82	19
29	1	1	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	75	75	2 27	.....	3	35	.....
30	.....	3	1	.....	10	34	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	194	600	93	931	7 32	120	18	176	102	
31	35	168	56	20	1726	1391	835	524	684	36	101	705	9220	6326	21548	10 59	766	187	1651	815		
32	5	20	5	1	540	415	153	157	90	10	21	2492	2000	1373	7249	20 38	161	23	215	238		
33	5	31	4	3	586	505	102	11	137	.....	.....	.....	25	3550	2100	1293	8448	16 58	209	46	410	225
34	4	2	6	.....	195	176	90	80	59	3	5	35	1000	650	2285	8 31	70	20	215	124		
35	.....	1	.....	.....	35	3	16	5	.....	.....	.....	.....	1	22	641	122	870	11 25	29	11	71	42
36	1	7	6	.....	117	70	48	22	19	1	2	.....	330	900	327	1833	26 95	22	10	60	81	
37	1	12	9	.....	65	67	44	36	14	3	8	194	720	173	1327	11 74	30	12	165	66		
38	5	12	4	1	93	86	43	43	32	2	6	36	647	158	1146	12 73	30	11	110	84		
39	1	1	.....	.....	101	94	47	47	27	3	7	32	800	492	1650	16 18	56	10	124	136		
40	4	5	4	6	283	196	98	98	57	6	15	103	950	470	2273	10 62	53	16	182	95		
41	2	15	.....	.....	55	35	20	25	18	2	3	100	900	316	1636	11 52	65	12	160	100		
42	2	11	6	1	48	45	25	25	5	2	5	38	800	232	1224	10 20	59	12	110	83		

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<b>Monmouth.—Con.</b>						
W. B. Logan.....	Kirkwood,	do	2	58	3	1
J. F. Jamieson.....	Monmouth,	do	6	174	28	7
M. M. Pollock.....	Gladstone,	do	4	135	10	1
<i>Correspondents.</i>						
C. H. Moffet.....	Clayton,	do	3	38	4	4
J. A. Wallace.....	Golden,	do	4	42	3	5
R. S. Humphreys.....	Stronghurst,	do	5	137	6	6
E. S. Matthews.....	Media,	do	3	89	11	7
<i>Without Charge.</i>						
Russel Graham, Prof.....	Monmouth,	do				
Andrew Renwick, Agt.....	do	do				
J. B. McMichael, D. D., Pres.....	do	do				
H. H. Bell, Evan.....	do	do				
W. A. Findley.....	do	do				
J. A. Wiley—0.....	do	do				
<i>Licentiates, 2.</i>			<i>Studen's, 4.</i>			
			98	2743	161	103
<b>Monongahela.</b>						
J. C. Boyd, D. D., Ed.....	Mt. Lebanon,	Pa.	5	183	7	6
W. J. Reid, D. D., Ed.....	Pittsburgh,	do	6	300	5	10
John M. Ross, Associate.....	do	do	3	212	10	19
David Barclay, D. D.....	Rodi,	do	3	130	15	12
William H. Knox.....	Pittsburgh,	do	3	116	21	13
James D. Turner.....	do	do	4	285	32	7
J. W. English.....	Sturgeon,	do	5	106	5	3
J. D. Sands, D. D., S. C.....	Pittsburgh,	do	7	393	23	18
William D. Irons, D. D.....	McDonald,	do	5	300	9	12
James T. McCrory, D. D.....	Pittsburgh,	do	8	368	18	7
T. C. Atchison, D. D.....	Carnegie,	do	7	312	13	17
James M. Wallace.....	Pittsburgh,	do	3	168	3	20
Matthew M. Patterson, D. D.....	Wilksburg,	do	5	45	27	40
W. E. Paxton.....	McKee's Rocks,	do	4	155	37	12
David S. Littell, D. D.....	Pittsburgh,	do	3	163	2	5
John W. Harsha.....	do	do	5	286	17	6
Robert A. Elliott.....	do	do	6	237	21	6
William Scott Nevin.....	Oakmont,	do	4	155	11	6
Robert M. Russell, D. D.....	Pittsburgh,	do	7	972	35	74
R. H. Hood.....	do	do	3	162	4	28
S. W. Douthett.....	do	do	5	128	26	12
J. A. Burnett.....	Wilksburg,	do	9	232	16	42
J. K. McClurkin, D. D.....	Pittsburgh,	do	3	409	52	30
S. P. Montgomery.....	Gill Hall,	do	5	128	9	4
do	do	do	2	54	2	9
John E. Wishart.....	Ingram,	do	4	159	6	34
James F. Ray.....	Coraopolis,	do	4	97	9	11
W. E. Mculloch.....	Pittsburgh,	do	6	255	22	42
J. W. Giffin.....	Gradatim,	do	3	45	7	9
Albert Flick.....	Pittsburgh,	do	6	190	18	3
R. S. Young.....	Homestead,	do	4	100	7	7
H. H. Marlin, P. E.....	Pittsburgh,	do	5	101	4	3
John T. Aiken, P. E.....	Remington,	do	6	140	4	4
J. W. English, S. S.....	Sturgeon,	do	2	74	19	8
<i>Correspondents.</i>						
William McElwaine.....	Coraopolis,	do	2	61	.....	6
James Wherry.....	Verona,	do	2	72	13	59
A. A. Hadden.....	Oakdale,	do	4	112	6	3
R. J. Miller, D. D.....	Pittsburgh,	do				
<i>Without Charge.</i>						
J. G. Brown, D. D.....	do	do				
F. A. Hutchinson.....	Noblestown,	do				
H. C. McFarland.....	Oakdale,	do				
Josias Stevenson.....	Pittsburgh,	do				
William Wishart, D. D.....	Ingram,	do				
William McFarland, Ph. D.—3.....	Pittsburgh,	do				
<i>Pastoral Charges, 35.</i>						
<i>Missionary Societies, 60.</i>						
<i>Sabbath Schools, 40.</i>						
<i>Young People's Societies, 49.</i>						
<i>Licentiates, 8.</i>			<i>Students, 0.</i>			
			169	7805	535	544

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	Deaths.	Removals.	Infant.	Adult.	Foreign Missions.	Home Missions.	Freedmen's Missions.	Church Extension.	Education.	Assembly's Fund.	Ministerial Relief.	General Contributions.	Salary by Congregat'n.	Congregat'l Expenses.	Total Amount.	Average per Member.	Members of Young People's Societies.	Officers and Teachers.	Number of Scholars.	Contributions.		
1																						
2	1	1	1		12	12	10	5					600	89	728	12 50	18	11	70	40		
3	1	8	9	14	35	29	54	15	5	3			1000	3545	4816	27 68	138	24	256	195		
4	1	4	4	2	40	39	26	43					9	229	800	686	1866	13 51	32	19	150	90
5	1	1	2	2																		
6	5	2	6	6	21	23	4	3					347		34							
7	5	2	6	6	25	24							27	800	367	1345	9 09	53	12	117	80	
8	29	156	71	45	2254	1826	772	715	617	36	109	7378	15705	10448	39860	14 73	1067	280	2517	1838		
9	4	18	5	1	349	330	200	208	56	6	14	180	1328	441	3112	17 00	34	15	103	222		
10	5	21	4		619	629	424	373	83	9	22	1842	3000	1651	8652	28 84	50	21	125	198		
11	1	16	3		583	259	103	110	158	6	14	593	1800	851	4177	22 06	120	23	236	293		
12	1	6	4	2	121	125	56	165	11	4	9	118	800	230	1639	12 60	23	11	97	71		
13	1	24	4	1	120	10	5	10					5	100	1500	350	2100	18 10	36	14	125	150
14	6	14	15		101	190	10	40	5	5	20	940	1800	2065	5176	18 16	75	20	309	306		
15	6	6	4	1	171	537	129	118	28	3	8	18	850	314	2176	20 52	50	16	147	255		
16	7	27	11	2	178	542	56	49	5				5	427	2500	1583	5345	13 09	82	36	316	327
17	4	17	22	1	297	277	113	100	37				225	1500	425	2974	9 90	140	25	278	270	
18	3	19	11	1	1749	397	248	188	33	22	30	738	3000	2310	8715	23 68	115	38	350	762		
19	4	21	8		304	282	141	143	28	9	22	657	1500	1091	4177	13 38	111	29	353	336		
20	3	28	8	3	44	103	16	10					5	50	1500	550	2278	13 66	30	31	297	207
21	8	32	23		434	400	252	184	107	12	28	314	2000	5003	8740	20 56	109	27	253	386		
22	1	6	8	10	3	10		4					3	400	718	1138	7 34	105	28	350	214	
23	1	7	3		318	151	150	85	44	5	11	426	2000	394	3584	21 88	40	12	51	175		
24	16	13	18	1	1	20	20	10	5	5	5	500	1500	1000	3070	10 73	100	31	191	281		
25	3	10	11	2	216	197	104	95	19	5	20	26	1800	1216	3932	15 30	50	24	230	225		
26	4	53	14	1	92	48							1085	1500	350	3083	19 89	90	22	125	210	
27	16	36	20	6	2256	2733	779	848	247	28	64	2827	4000	16112	29894	30 75	110	60	736	1170		
28	2	25	6	1	30	30	23	5	2	1	2	70	1100	695	1957	12 08	106	25	231	181		
29	3	9	1	2	45	100	10	10	5	5	5	50	1059	342	1631	12 74	110	20	220	111		
30	5	11	10		77	175	18	18					13	300	1500	1983	4090	17 62	128	18	170	200
31	6	18	21	1	530	485	274	171	96	10	25	1019	3000	4974	10584	25 88	97	47	429	668		
32	9	3	1	1	20	63	55	5						500	182	832	6 43	46	10	60	48	
33	2	9	1	1	8	98	15	10						500	214	845	15 64	25	11	69	32	
34	12	4	3	3	276	234	152	105	43	5	21	331	1500	898	3476	21 86	55	16	103	143		
35	2	8	10	4	35	45	20	20	11	2	2	65	500	1180	1880	19 38	70	11	75	95		
36	2	12	9	1	185	159	73	65					365	1450	713	3010	11 80	95	20	190	209	
37	8	8	4		42	102	44	22	8	1	3	6	618	18	1033	22 95		8	67	68		
38	1	11	7		5	44	3						789	665	1516	7 98	30	18	200	100		
39	3	5	3	1	58	86	28	22					8	690	391	1292	12 02	27	10	132	126	
40	3	8	2	1	28	44							38	780	248	1139	11 27	42	13	105	93	
41	3	1	4	1	250	100	100	50	10	50	40	1000	500	2350	16 78	85	16	113	272			
42	1	1	7		96	288	100	66	13	1	53	7	400	337	1361	18 39	67	3	75	44		
43	2	19	2												264	10	297	4 86		3	40	8
44															380	120	500	7 94		11	165	47
45	3	25	7	1	50	74	49	54	23	3	1	14	800	255	1323	11 81	26	11	90	80		
46					14	14	16	16							350	410		50	17	231	107	
47	116	565	296	51	9724	9552	3784	3421	1117	168	477	13720	51108	50814	143788	18 42	2529	771	7367	8649		

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<b>Maskingum.</b>							
W. H. McFarland, D. D.....	Cambridge, Ohio.	Cambridge.....	6	325	18	20	1
David Paul, D. D.....	New Concord, do	1st New Concord.....	7	261	3	15	2
I. N. White, S. C.....	Fairview, do	Fairview, ½.....	5	103	2	4	3
do	do	Washington, ¼.....	5	112	2	2	4
do	do	Sand Hill.....	4	69			5
J. W. Taylor.....	Londonderry, do	Londonderry.....	6	110	9	3	6
J. H. Nash.....	Cambridge, do	Pleasant Hill.....	6	102	2	2	7
R. C. Wyatt.....	Norwich, do	Norwich.....	5	125	2	4	8
David Livingston.....	Thornville, do	Thornville, ¾ †.....	2	52	4		9
do	do	Rush Creek, ¼.....	3	58	3	3	10
J. T. Campbell.....	Kimbolton, do	Clear Fork, ½.....	3	56	3	9	11
do	do	Ridge, ¼.....	4	34	2	1	12
do	do	Northfield.....	4	106	5	2	13
Nathan Winegart.....	Sago, do	Bloomfield †.....	7	2.0	12	1	14
J. A. Kennedy.....	New Concord, do	2d New Concord.....	4	144	3	13	15
J. S. McMunn.....	North Salem, do	New Salem.....	3	249	6	11	16
do S. S.....	do	Kimbolton.....	3	51			51
J. M. Duncan.....	Indian Camp, do	Mt. Hermon †.....	6	164	11	3	18
J. A. Shrader.....	Rix's Mills, do	Rix's Mills.....	4	124	4	2	19
do	do	Salt Creek.....	4	84	1	1	20
E. E. Cleland.....	Creighton, do	Lebanon, ½.....	5	158	9	17	21
do	do	East Union, ½.....	3	86		4	22
T. R. Aikin.....	Antrim, do	Antrim.....	4	163	12	3	23
S. B. Johnson.....	Petroleum, W. Va.	Caledonia.....	6	70	16	7	24
J. H. Hutchman, P. E.....	Zanesville, Ohio.	Zauesville.....	3	82	11	10	25
<i>Vacancies.</i>							
R. G. Ardrey.....	Mount Perry, do	Johnathan's Creek †.....	6	146	4	6	26
John Cowan.....	Hall's Valley, do	Morganville.....	3	33	4		27
J. L. Moore.....	Milligan, do	Goshen—28.....	3	26	4		28
		Barlow, Dis.....					29
<i>Without Charge.</i>							
A. H. Caldwell.....	New Concord, do	Pastoral Charges, 18.....					
J. A. Gray, Prof.....	do	Missionary Societies, 28.....					
Jesse Johnson, Pres.....	do	Sabbath Schools, 27.....					
W. B. Cherry.....	New Plymouth, do	Young People's Societies, 23.....					
D. W. Iron—22.....	"In transitu," do						
<i>Licentiates, 4.</i>			121	3313	152	196	30
<b>New York.</b>							
D. J. Patterson.....	Brooklyn, N. Y.	2d Brooklyn.....	2	144	11	1	31
James G. D. Findley, D. D.....	Newburgh, do	1st Newburgh.....	4	208	9	6	32
Arney S. Biddle, S. C.....	Jersey City, N. J.	Summit Avenue.....	5	227	18	7	33
Homer H. Wallace.....	New York, N. Y.	West 44th Street.....	6	225	25	8	34
Thomas W. Anderson, D. D.....	do	1st New York.....	8	600	23	15	35
James A. Reed, D. D.....	do	Charles Street.....	5	226	6	2	36
David Craig Stewart.....	Hoboken, N. J.	1st Hoboken.....	3	113	5	5	37
James Parker, Ph. D.....	Jersey City, do	2d Jersey City.....	8	270	10	18	38
J. C. K. Milligan, D. D.....	New York, N. Y.	Washington Heights.....	4	81	19	3	39
A. H. Crosbie.....	Brooklyn, do	Westminster.....	2	101	16	16	40
J. Howard Tate.....	New York, do	Seventh Avenue †.....	6	165	10	7	41
Frank W. Crosbie, S. S.....	Clarenceville, do	Clarenceville.....		33	17	5	42
A. Kennedy Duff, S. S.....	West Hoboken, N. J.	Palisade Ave. Miss.....		90	31	1	43
T. E. Moffat.....	Paterson, do	Paterson.....	1	104	18	11	44
Andrew Henry.....	Jersey City, do	1st Jersey City †.....	1	60	3	7	45
R. H. Acheson, P. E.....	Pine Bush, N. Y.	Graham's Church †.....	4	120	1	4	46
J. L. Hervey, P. E.....	Brooklyn, do	1st Brooklyn.....		60			47
<i>Vacancies.</i>							
David Allen, 184 E. 119th St.....	New York, do	East 119th Street.....	3	100		1	48
John Aleru.....	Thompsonville, Conn.	Thompsonville.....	4	140	2	6	49
Robert McEeehan, 36 Kearney Ave., Kearney.....	N. J.	Newark—18.....	3	170	11	9	50
<i>Without Charge.</i>							
Charles B. Smyth.....	New York, N. Y.	Pastoral Charges, 20.....					
Alexander Smyth.....	Paterson, N. J.	Missionary Societies, 15.....					
T. C. McKelvey, Evan.....	New York, N. Y.	Sabbath Schools, 20.....					
J. H. Andrew.....	Brooklyn, do	Young People's Societies, 33.....					
John A. Shaw.....	Newark, N. J.						
R. L. Warnock—22.....	Warnock, Ohio.						
<i>Licentiates, 0.</i>			70	3237	237	132	51

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	Deaths.	Removals.	Foreign Missions.	Home Missions.	Freedmen's Missions.	Church Extension.	Education.	Assembly's Fund.	Ministerial Relief.	General Contribut'ns.	Salary by Congregat'n.	Congregat'l Expenses.	Total Amount.	Average per Member.	Members of Young People's Societies.	Officers and Teachers.	Number of Scholars.	Contributions.			
1																					
2	9	34			295	280	300	140	100	10	10	1450	1200	520	4305	13 25	75	26	200	240	
3	5	14	4		115	68	42	15				330	800	250	1620	6 21	75	13	145	88	
4	2	7			77	85	43	20	11	8	11	142	300	100	797	7 74	30	11	50	15	
5	2	2	1		63	55	15		5			25	300	60	523	4 67	60	12	75	45	
6	2	2			35	37	11	4				30	94	20	235	3 41	50	12	100	20	
7	2	2			105	66	125	7	21	5	4	63	326	55	777	7 06	40	12	90	175	
8	2	2			37	29	21	8				34	375	60	566	5 55	60	12	106	45	
9	2	2			52	47	48	32				11	650	84	995	7 96	49	12	112	68	
10	1	1	1		81	45	78	22	40	1	9	7	567	281	1074	20 65	17	14	48	130	
11	3	6	1	1	26	19	16	20	16	1	2	4	300	30	433	7 47	25	8	40	39	
12	4	4	1		36	35	5	10	3	5		2	200	20	321	5 73	23	9	40	36	
13	1	4	3		14	27	13		3			12	120	83	272	8 00	30	9	50	25	
14	4	16	3		26	34	6	6	5	3			300	20	400	3 77	25	10	80	29	
15	9	9	1		122	128	58	64	15	5	10	6	806	401	1609	7 31	49	19	200	160	
16	4	95	10		203	132	109	11	25	1	15	514	9 0	514	2424	16 83	112	15	170	153	
17					127	110	5	10	10	5	2	450	750	150	1619	6 89	240	16	240	210	
18	5	21	6	1	63	28	13	18		2	18	500	145	787	4 79	25	14	140	63		
19		6	5	1	115	63	50	50	5	1	2	116	800	83	1285	10 36	50	15	150	81	
20			1		17	18	18			2		10	402	26	493	5 87	45	12	95	41	
21	1	7	3	2	97	66	15	17				400	100	695	3 84	80	15	113	40		
22	1	16			35	38	10	9				400	40	532	6 18	25	9	45	25		
23	4	7	3	1	87	59	16	27	17	7		123	304	640	3 93	45	15	205	99		
24	1	4	3	9	45	68	42	33		4		47	535	774	11 06		6	39	54		
25		27	1		15	15						17	246	296	589	7 18		12	75		
26	6	6	6	1	70	25	10	225					376	62	768	5 26		10	120		
27	2	1			6	3		2					100	11	122	3 69	16	6	35	3	
28					7	4	1						93	5	126	4 84		4	34	7	
29		68																			
30	60	367	64	18	1971	1584	1070	750	276	59	87	3430	12138	4916	26281	7 93	1246	328	2797	1900	
31	4	14	1	1	45	55	20	10	10	5	10	107	1500	994	2756	19 12	50	19	115	202	
32	2	11	12		229	57	27	28	5	2	3	61	1200	1010	2622	12 60	74	20	158	330	
33	3	10	12	4	100	20	18	38	2	2	6	66	1500	898	2650	11 67	100	30	382	360	
34	3	45	14		87	43	17	20	1	1	1	250	2000	776	3196	14 18	60	27	2 0	217	
35	10	96	12	4	206	265	50	50	11		25	2218	4000	1500	8325	13 87	150	48	560	595	
36	5	7	5		65	65	40	30		5	18	210	2500	463	3391	15 02		20	85	245	
37	1	7	7	2	20	20	5	20		1	3	40	1400	1096	2605	23 46	30	14	139	145	
38	4	19	5	4	1000	35	120	10	10		20	400	1900	1526	5021	18 60	155	28	351	665	
39	1		1	4	40	29	20	20				76	800	754	1749	21 41	20	14	123	65	
40	2	18	15	1	65								254	1828	2143	21 21	24	27	351	356	
41	6	11	9		100	45	40	24	7	3		770	1200	2065	4254	25 79	63	20	130	275	
42	5	3			5	5							112	75	344	5 41	16	39	6	76	59
43	4	16	9	8	10								220	103	1339	13 76	48	14	141	80	
44	4	4	7	1	20	42	24	10	8				133	950	509	1696	16 20	64	12	105	112
45	2	5			60	2	10	1	1	2	10	100	1200	500	1886	31 43	29	12	85	100	
46	4	11	1		62	63	34	20					25	1028	982	2214	18 45	77	7	75	25
47		20	1		32	30	8	16					640	508	212	1446	25 75	15	10	75	99
48	3	46	7		20	20	12	8	4	3	5	250	1000	500	1822	18 22		16	120	110	
49		21	7		46	45	15	25	25	5	10		1000	620	1791	13 26	105	19	111	100	
50		30	13	3	53	48	12	20				50	1200	700	2083	12 25	50	26	205	221	
51	58	391	145	29	2190	974	472	350	84	23	111	5728	25320	18277	53535	16 53	1044	389	3637	4361	

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<b>North Platte.</b>								
W. J. Golden.....	Alliance,	Neb.	Alliance †.....	5	56	1	1	1
S. Howard Maxwell—2.....	Rushville,	do	Rushville, (2) †—2.....	3	53	.....	3	2
<i>Correspondent.</i>			<i>Vacancies.</i>					
J. A. Gillespie, Esq., S. C.....	Alliance,	do	Gordon, <i>Dis</i> .....					3
			Gering, <i>Dis</i> .....					4
			Harrisburg, <i>Dis</i> .....					5
			<i>Pastoral Charges, 2.</i>					
			<i>Missionary Societies, 2.</i>					
			<i>Sabbath Schools, 3.</i>					
			<i>Young People's Societies, 2.</i>	8	109	1	4	6
<i>Licentiates, 0.</i>		<i>Students, 0.</i>						
<b>Ohio, First.</b>								
J. R. Brittain, D. D.....	Oxford,	Ohio.	Oxford †.....	6	175	7	4	7
J. Knox Montgomery, S. C.....	Cincinnati,	do	1st Cincinnati.....	5	99	10	6	8
J. Y. Scouller, D. D.....	Fair Haven,	do	Fair Haven.....	8	160	2	5	9
W. B. Barr.....	Middletown,	do	Middletown.....	2	61	19	7	10
S. A. Livingston.....	Monroe,	do	Mt. Pleasant †.....	3	80	12	2	11
S. H. McDill.....	Morning Sun,	do	Hopewell †.....	2	69	1	1	12
E. C. Simpson, D. D.....	Dayton,	do	1st Dayton †.....	2	106	12	8	13
J. Mc D. Hervey.....	Richmond,	Ind.	Richmond †.....	5	225	22	26	14
Wm. Duncan.....	College Corner,	Ohio.	Unity †.....	6	153	9	11	15
T. A. Edgar, P. E.....	Morning Sun,	do	Morning Sun †.....	8	190	8	5	16
Geo. W. Robinson, P. E.....	Hamilton,	d.	Hamilton †.....	6	212	2	2	17
<i>Correspondent.</i>			<i>Vacancy.</i>					
James Davis.....	20 Mile Stand,	do	{ Sycamore †.....	5	44	8	5	18
			{ Hopkinsville—13.....	3	22	4	.....	19
<i>Without Charge.</i>								
A. F. Ashton.....	Hamilton,	do	<i>Pastoral Charges, 12.</i>					
J. L. Aten.....	do	do	<i>Missionary Societies, 14.</i>					
D. H. French, D. D.....	Columbus,	do	<i>Sabbath Schools, 13.</i>					
S. F. Thompson—14.....	Oxford,	do	<i>Young People's Societies, 20,</i>					
<i>Licentiates, 3.</i>		<i>Students, 1.</i>		61	1596	116	82	20
<b>Omaha.</b>								
L. Proudfit.....	Dunbar,	Neb.	Dunbar.....	5	46	1	5	21
Peter Swan, S. C.....	North Bend,	do	North Bend †.....	5	165	11	4	22
James E. Black.....	Ewing,	do	Ewing †.....	3	50	4	9	23
Edgar MacDill.....	Omaha,	do	Park Avenue †.....	8	110	1	19	24
Alex. Gilchrist, D. D.....	do	do	Central Omaha.....	5	201	22	13	25
Herbert P. Espy, S. S.....	South Omaha,	do	South Omaha †.....	2	60	17	6	26
F. B. Foster, P. E.....	Omaha,	do	1st Omaha.....	3	114	2	.....	27
J. H. Niblock, S. S.....	Kearney,	do	Kearney.....	2	64	1	.....	28
J. D. Oldham, S. S.....	Murray,	do	Murray †.....	2	97	2	.....	29
<i>Correspondents.</i>			<i>Vacancies.</i>					
H. W. Crooks.....	Majors,	do	Majors †.....	3	66	4	4	30
John B. George.....	Orchard,	do	Orchard.....	2	48	4	11	31
T. M. Elder.....	Atkinson,	do	Eagle Grove—12.....		*15			32
<i>Without Charge.</i>								
Thos. McCague, D. D.....	Omaha,	do						
T. H. Pollock.....	Nelgh,	do						
D. McLaughlan.....	Atkinson,	do	<i>Pastoral Charges, 12.</i>					
P. H. Drennen.....	Lincoln,	do	<i>Missionary Societies, 11.</i>					
Andrew McBride.....	Omaha,	do	<i>Sabbath Schools, 12.</i>					
H. N. Cornes—14.....	Murray,	do	<i>Young People's Societies, 16.</i>					
<i>Licentiates, 0.</i>		<i>Students, 0.</i>		40	1036	69	71	33
<b>Oregon.</b>								
G. E. Hawes.....	Portland,	Ore.	1st Portland †.....	4	130	3	7	34
H. F. Wallace, D. D., S. C.....	do	do	Grand Avenue †.....	4	42	.....	6	35
H. L. Hood.....	Shedds,	do	Shedds †.....	3	82	3	17	36
G. E. Henderson.....	Oakville,	do	Willamette †.....	6	84	1	2	37
J. A. Speer, S. S.....	Warm Springs,	do	Warm Springs †.....	3	133	10	1	38



	Dec're		Bapt'ms.		CONTRIBUTIONS.													S. SCHOOLS.			
	Deaths.	Removals.	Infant.	Adult.	Foreign Missions.	Home Missions.	Freedmen's Missions	Church Extension.	Education.	Assembly's Fund.	Ministerial Relief.	General Contribut'ns.	Salary by Congregat'n.	Congregat'l Expenses.	Total Amount.	Average per Member.	Members of Young People's Societies.	Officers and Teachers.	Number of Scholars.	Contributions.	
1	1		1		24	17	4	4	1		1	19	198	161	429	7 64	36	10	73	20	
2	1	27	5		5	16		7			20	300	189	537	10 10	22	14	85	30		
3		11																			
4		7																			
5		11																			
6	2	56	6		29	33	4	11	1		1	39	498	350	966	8 87	58	24	158	60	
7	4	15	6	3	96	86	15		5		25	1000	757	1984	11 33	50	14	100	66		
8	1	4	1	1	140	140	85	78	6	2	7	201	2000	1062	3721	37 55	77	15	160	150	
9	2	2	1		67	60	22	29	7		10	14	636	153	998	6 24	66	14	107	64	
10	1	5	4	14	23	26	7	9	3	5	10	3	200	532	818	13 57	79	10	135	58	
11	1	3	3	2	20	23	21	18			5	50	500	150	787	9 83	25	9	85	30	
12	1	2	4		61	49	27				23	400	60	620	7 53	30	12	63	8		
13	1	6	4	3	10	10		10		3	8	1500	500	2041	19 25	30	18	165	78		
14		2	10	16	10	10	9		5	10	14	1200	1492	2750	11 96	64	16	139	108		
15		1	4	1	117	179	47		24		38	10 0	443	1848	11 97	66	15	131	143		
16	1	20	3	2	137	182	61	98	15	138	5	86	1000	245	1967	10 30	95	24	165	95	
17	1	34	4	2	185	195	30	30	208	5	15	40	1550	1332	3590	16 95	58	23	207	213	
18	1	2	1	5	7							9	250	50	307	6 98	32	8	50	17	
19		2	3										98	57	164	7 45	3	40	9		
20	13	110	49	52	873	960	324	272	268	163	57	511	11334	6833	21595	13 53	672	181	1538	1039	
21		1	4		36	38	12	24	12			144	507	80	853	18 55	20	9	40	51	
22		9	10	2	76	80	20	35	13	1	7	235	1000	358	1825	11 06	60	19	165	175	
23	1	1	5		13	11	6	10	2	1	1	3	310	85	442	8 84	19	9	88	22	
24	1	8	1		52	50	10	26	10			252	600	579	1579	14 35	34	12	130	101	
25	2	11	2	4	60	75	40	25	3		5	50	2000	8622	10881	54 13	85	22	283	241	
26	1	5	1	5	43	39	23	23	12	1	3	38	423	267	872	17 43	30	11	151	51	
27	1	21	2		10	10	5	5	3	1		307	1042	981	2364	20 73	67	27	411	229	
28		12			6	15	5	4					300	225	555	8 06	51	9	81	59	
29		4	2		41	7	25						490	100	573	5 90	40	9	66	60	
30		2	2	3	8	8	3	4	1				145	100	289	4 07	52	12	92	52	
31		12	4		8	8	3	5	3	1		25	250	40	343	7 09	20	8	60	20	
32																					
33	6	86	34	15	353	341	152	161	59	5	16	1054	6977	11438	20556	20 01	492	147	1567	1032	
34	1	14	7	1	30	65	10	10	3	1	4	50	1200	350	1723	13 25	55	15	150	125	
35	1	8			36	41	10	10	5				137	374	613	14 60	60	13	125	78	
36		18	3		10	23		10				58	450	57	608	7 41	70	10	84	46	
37		13	2	1	40	20	39	8				26	500	185	818	9 73	32	26	180	33	
38	2	1	5	5	5	6									11	0 08	2	120			

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<b>Oregon.—Con.</b>							
J. A. Morrow, S. S. ....	Sinnasho,	Ore.	Sinnasho †—Mis Vacancies.	11			1
<i>Correspondents.</i>							
E. F. Sox .....	Albany,	do	Albany .....	2	184	2	7
S. M. Ralston .....	Halsey,	do	Halsey—7 .....	3	54		3
<i>Without Charge.</i>			<i>Pastoral Charges, 7.</i>				
J. M. Dick .....	Camp Creek,	do	<i>Missionary Soci-</i>				
T. J. Wilson .....	Eugene,	do	<i>eties, 6.</i>				
A. M. Black, D. D. ....	Salem,	do	<i>Sabbath Schools, 11.</i>				
W. R. Stevenson—10 .....	Indiana,	Pa.	<i>Young People's So-</i>				
<i>Licentiates, 0.</i>	<i>Students, 0.</i>			25	720	19	40
<b>Pawnee.</b>							
R. J. McCready .....	Pawnee City,	Neb.	1st Pawnee City .....	5	290	18	2
J. S. Colvin, S. C. ....	Bookwalter,	do	Mission Creek † .....	5	162		4
E. E. Fife, S. S. ....	Lincoln,	do	Lincoln .....	4	64	6	13
C. H. Mitchell .....	Summerfield,	Kan.	Summerfield † .....	4	151	3	17
D. E. Smith .....	Pawnee City,	Neb.	2d Pawnee City .....	5	110	8	11
do S. S. ....	do	do	Lone Grove .....	2	41		10
J. P. Giffen .....	Burchard,	do	Burchard † .....	4	111	7	5
A. J. Hanna .....	Mindeu,	do	Minden, (3) † .....	5	133	2	2
S. E. DuBois .....	Superior,	do	Superior .....	3	132	2	25
W. C. Davidson .....	Benkelman,	do	Benkelman .....	2	54	4	13
do .....	do	do	Parks .....	2	70		15
J. C. Marshall .....	Lib rty,	do	Liberty .....	2	89	11	3
W. A. Smith, S. S. ....	Bostwick,	do	Bostwick .....	2	30		17
<i>Correspondents.</i>	do	do	Jewell .....	3	53	1	18
G. C. Burns .....	Wilsonville,	do	Wilsonville † .....	3	59	3	4
Geo. Chamberlain .....	Madrid,	do	Madrid .....		12		20
			Lamar .....		**15		21
			Amity .....	1	**8		22
			Scotch Valley—19 .....	2	***15		23
<i>Without Charge.</i>							
Marion Morrison, D. D. ....	Mission Creek,	do	<i>Pastoral Charges, 13.</i>				
R. T. Campbell, Pres. ....	Pawnee City,	do	<i>Missionary Soci-</i>				
James Duncan, D. D. ....	Chicago,	Ill.	<i>eties, 12.</i>				
S. B. Moore—15 .....	Tarkio,	Mo.	<i>Sabbath Schools, 19.</i>				
			<i>Young People's So-</i>				
<i>Licentiates, 1.</i>	<i>Students, 1.</i>			54	1591	65	99
<b>Philadelphia.</b>							
James Crowe .....	Philadelphia,	Pa.	9th Philadelphia .....	6	456	27	6
S. G. Fitzgerald .....	do	do	3d do .....	7	271	7	3
John Teas, D. D. ....	do	do	10th do .....	6	263	17	19
James Price, S. C. ....	do	do	12th do .....	4	118	6	4
M. G. Kyle, D. D. ....	do	do	7th do .....	5	215	8	2
Frank Getty .....	do	do	West do .....	5	139	21	7
W. J. B. Edgar .....	do	do	1st do .....	8	243	12	5
C. S. Cleland .....	do	do	2d do (2) .....	5	396	10	5
J. H. Webster .....	do	do	8th do .....	8	396	19	6
J. H. Sharp, Ph. D., S. S. ....	do	do	Wharton Sq. do .....	2	106	10	24
W. M. Anderson .....	do	do	North do .....	7	210	14	18
J. C. Scouller .....	do	do	Fourth do .....	9	520	35	9
J. L. Hervey .....	Oxford,	do	Oxford † .....	4	103	8	4
J. B. Wilson .....	Baltimore,	Md.	1st Baltimore † .....	3	129	26	3
C. H. Robinson, S. S. ....	do	do	North Avenue † .....	2	64	23	11
J. G. C. Webster, S. S. ....	Philadelphia,	Pa.	5th do .....	2	70		4
J. N. Knipe, S. S. ....	do	do	Fairhill .....		30	8	32
<i>Correspondents.</i>			<i>Vacancies.</i>				
William McClure .....	Bart,	do	Octoraro † .....	3	71	7	
B. Simpson .....	Liberty Square,	do	Muddy Run—19 .....		*7		43
<i>Without Charge.</i>							
D. W. Collins, D. D., Ed. ....	Philadelphia,	do	<i>Pastoral Charges, 18.</i>				
J. H. Leiper, Sec. ....	do	do	<i>Missionary Soci-</i>				
W. W. Barr, D. D., Cor. Sec. ....	do	do	<i>eties, 19.</i>				
C. L. McCracken, Prin. ....	Henderson,	N. C.	<i>Sabbath Schools, 18.</i>				
Jas. Marcus Welch .....	Bellevue,	Pa.	<i>Young People's So-</i>				
E. M. McFadden—23 .....	Morning Sun,	Iowa.	<i>cieties, 29.</i>				
<i>Licentiates, 0.</i>	<i>Students, 3.</i>			86	3809	258	162

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1	2					5									2		7	65		5	125		
2	3	13		1	75	176	64	90	10		10				4	980	1643	3052	16 58	119	21	200	133
3	2	10	2		4										26	116		146	2 70		6	40	
4	11	77	16	11	200	336	123	128	18	1	14	160	3283	2609	6978			9 69	336	98	1024	420	
5	3	18	5	5	120	115	110	40	17	3	8	175	1000	520	2108			7 27	85	24	213	171	
6	2	9	6		105	99	57	55	25	2	6	165	717	414	1645			10 15	115	15	180	120	
7	1	15	7	2	23	32	1	15				29	175	511	786			12 28	70	15	160	82	
8		7	1		26	27	12	20	5	2	3	31	750	190	1066			7 09	64	14	120	53	
9	3	9	2	3	11	10	5	1				35	500	760	1322			12 02	70	13	92	89	
10		1	6		4	14	3	2	1			4	144	30	202			4 93		7	40	20	
11		11	3		25	46	31	23				24	610	475	1234			11 11	41	11	115	47	
12	1	8	5	2	80	89	30	39	12	2	5	10	1000	269	1536			11 55	85	25	385	215	
13	3	9			37	78	47	23				664	183	1032			7 76	74	14	104	160		
14		2	4		22		5					25	69	26	147			7 22	20	9	46	25	
15		7	7		13		5					15	63	17	113			1 61	15	10	60	15	
16	1	7	4	7	17	67	13	6	3	5	1	16	196	148	472			5 90	27	13	80	33	
17		7			2	1		2				1	3	52	3	64			2 13		5	40	
18			1									92	67	28	187			3 53					Union school
19		1	1	1	18	30	3	3				2	45	275	161	537		9 10	18	9	85	39	
20					5	5		5	10			3		29		57		4 75					
21																							
22																							
23																							
24	14	111	45	20	473	648	312	244	73	14	29	669	6311	3735	12508			7 12	684	179	1580	1079	
25	5	8	12	1	445	290	192	120	60	25	40	250	1600	1100	4122			9 16	210	35	400	900	
26		35	8	1	227	197	58	87	18	5	20	236	2000	6 38	3486			12 08	65	29	290	539	
27		21	10		202	85	20	10	25	2	30	165	2100	1885	4524			17 20	75	22	149	3 36	
28	1	25	18	1	13	55	1	3	1	1	1	8	757	399	121			12 17	70	30	324	171	
29	5	17	9		253	203	100	270	27	5	16	532	1600	1732	4738			22 04	136	30	237	349	
30	2	26	2	6	30	30	5					10	1500	09	2184			15 71	90	22	209	233	
31	3	6	2		160	228	25	20	13			20	407	948	3821			15 73	80	19	119	134	
32	8	11	3	1	421	398	184	184	108	12	28	931	2200	1619	6085			15 21	104	25	185	41	
33	6	15	6	1	349	179	60	100	10	5	25	542	1800	1826	4896			12 37	67	38	331	1160	
34	5	9			12	10						18	298	2312	2650			25 00	136	22	255	184	
35		12	3		195	250	80	80	55	10	37	573	1800	941	4921			21 16	55	22	141	250	
36	11	43	21		200	139	83	80	40	30	30	1024	1800	3939	7395			14 22	129	41	387	499	
37	5	7	5		18	27	10	5	3	1			725	1001	1792			17 06	*92	13	56	118	
38	2	10			113	75	40	37	23	3	12	419	1500	1065	3287			25 46	40	9	38	76	
39	1	6	9		34	30	5	16					70	300	837			12 92	77	30	284	198	
40	2	113	3										56	312	459			8 27		15	11	50	106
41		10	1	1									80	189	273			9 10		10	80	53	
42	1		3	5	28	65	9	9	4			10	94	600	124	943		13 28		7	93	23	
43																							
44	55	370	124	17	2700	2265	872	1021	387	90	271	5335	22352	21653	57555			15 10	1374	415	3628	5730	

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<b>Pittsburg.</b>							
J. H. Gibson, S. S.	Pittsburg, Kan.	Pittsburg	4	90	3	20	1
J. W. Long, D. D., S. C.	Beulah, Mo.	Beulah †	4	125	1	7	2
John Teaz, S. S.	Springfield, Mo.	Springfield	3	80	11	27	3
J. S. Swogger—4	Chetopa, Kan.	Chetopa †	5	88	4	8	4
<i>Correspondents</i>							
D. A. McDougall	Sheldon, Mo.	Sheldon	2	22	9	4	5
R. C. McGee	Sylvania, do	Sylvania	2	18		4	6
R. M. Stevenson	Siloam Springs, Ark.	Siloam Springs—7	2	12		3	7
<i>Pastoral Charges, 6. Missionary Societies, 4. Sabbath Schools, 7. Young People's Societies, 6.</i>							
<b>Licentiates, 1.</b>	<b>Students, 0.</b>		22	435	28	73	8
<b>Princeton.</b>							
A. M. Campbell, Ph. D.	Princeton, Ind.	Princeton, (2) †	9	388	18	12	9
S. R. Lyons, S. C.	Bloomington, do	Bloomington †	8	268	14	1	10
James Ingles	Scotland, do	Scotland.	3	69	1	1	11
<i>Correspondents.</i>							
A. M. Welch	Duncanville, Ill.	{ Duncanville †	4	41			12
do	do	{ Morea		*74			13
H. R. Crozier	Brownsville, do	{ West Union	3	73		1	14
J. C. B. Miller	Somerville, Ind.	{ Somerville.	3	49	4		15
J. P. Simpson	Buckskin, do	{ Eden	2	49			16
Paul G. Spencer	Portland Mills, do	Portland—9.		*35			17
<i>Without Charge.</i>							
W. T. Warnock	Duncanville, Ill.	<i>Pastoral Charges, 6. Missionary Societies, 5.</i>					
J. K. Black	Hoopston, Ind.						
Alex. Mayne	Bloomington, Ind.						
Hugh McHatton—7.	Duncanville, Ill.	<i>Sabbath Schools, 8. Young People's Societies, 10.</i>					
<b>Licentiates.</b>	<b>Students, 0.</b>		32	1046	37	15	18
<b>Puget Sound.</b>							
A. F. Kirkpatrick	Tacoma, Wash.	Tacoma	5	92	8	3	19
W. M. Howie, S. C.	Seattle, do	Seattle	3	78	5	9	20
W. G. M. Hays, D. D.	Olympia, do	Olympia—3	1	45	2	3	21
<i>Without Charge.</i>							
J. I. Frazer—4.	Seattle, do	<i>Pastoral Charges, 3. Missionary Societies, 6. Sabbath Schools, 4. Young People's Societies, 5.</i>					
<b>Licentiates, 0.</b>	<b>Students, 0.</b>		9	215	13	15	22
<b>Rock Island.</b>							
William Donaldson	Little York, Ill.	Cedar Creek †	3	96	5	3	23
J. C. Calhoun, S. C.	Viola, do	Viola	5	119	4	7	24
W. M. Story	Aledo, do	Aledo †	6	21	23	10	25
H. C. Marshall	Rock Island, do	Rock Island	5	131	5	4	26
S. F. Clark	Coal Valley, do	Homestead †	3	92		1	27
J. T. Meloy	Davenport, Iowa	Davenport	4	83	11	4	28
J. W. Johnston, S. S.	Sunbeam, Ill.	Sunbeam †	3	115	21	7	29
W. A. Monks, P. E.	Norwood, do	North Henderson †	4	86	1	11	30
II. J. Bell, P. E.	Little York, do	Little York †	4	112		2	31
<i>Correspondents.</i>							
S. L. Woodburn	Port Byron, do	Pleasant Unity	3	38			32
Rev. S. H. Weed	Colona, do	Colona—11	2	24	2	1	33
Rev. H. C. Marshall	Rock Island, do	Moline Mission		8	1		34
<i>Without Charge.</i>							
S. H. Weed	Colona, do	<i>Pastoral Charges, 10. Missionary Societies, 13. Sabbath Schools, 12. Young People's Societies, 12.</i>					
J. H. Clark—10	Harney, do						
<b>Licentiates, 1.</b>	<b>Students, 1.</b>		42	1116	73	50	35

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1	19	5	1	23	100	5	41		183	403	216	971	10 71	28	16	128	100							
2	16	5	1	54	76	32	18	11	2	4	24	900	161	1282	10 25	35	15	140	71					
3	28	4	2	5	23	3	9		130	350	175	700	8 75	20	10	112	40							
4	1	3	2	40	30	10	2	3	1	20	625	204	935	10 61	20	11	80	60						
5	13	3			6						62	33	101	4 59										
6	4	3		23					3	65	5	76	4 22	25	8	8	79	21						
7	14	1		2					7	44	14	73	6 08	13	6	28	21							
8	1	97	23	3	133	240	50	70	14	2	5	367	2449	808	4138	9 51	141	74	624	323				
9	8	14	22	6	275	176	59	146	85		21	282	1300	2324	4668	12 03	177	35	400	186				
10	7	18	6	1	257	240	85	25		261	1200	620	2688	10 09	65	15	150	85						
11	3		9	1	15	12		7		6		350	33	423	6 13	23	7	48	7					
12	1	2	3		1	2	2		2		100	227	18	352	8 58	28	11	62	18					
13																								
14	27	1									36	970	1006	13 78	20	9	50	4						
15	9	1								5	136	18	159	3 24	15	10	50	12						
16	3	2							5	87	2	94	1 91	23	8	41	13							
17																								
18	22	72	42	8	548	430	146	178	85	2	27	653	3336	3985	9390	7 95	351	95	801	325				
19	19	3	3	27	93	5	25	3	1	2	150	300	430	1036	11 26	75	13	155	93					
20	1	9	3	1	25	70	9	24		25	150	423	726	9 50	43	20	300	66						
21	3	1		40				8		52		130	230	5 12	26	10	94	25						
22	1	31	7	4	52	203	14	49	11	1	2	227	450	983	109	8 56	146	43	449	184				
23	4	5	4	97	74	25	25	10		5	130	700	125	1191	12 40	33	13		84					
24	1	8	1	3	60	60	20	10	4	10	163	700	78	1105	9 20	55	15	103	63					
25	2	11	6	8	101	95	46	45	10	2	5	116	900	920	2240	10 57	75	21	177	146				
26	2	6	5	2	129	120	69	59	35	4	9	235	850	274	1775	13 55	44	24	200	240				
27	1	7	2		15	32	15	20	10		5	38	700	103	938	10 19	37	10	45	43				
28	1	16		9	56	90	47	36	9		350	700	475	1763	21 24	92	19	141	88					
29	1	14		9	96	60	46	26	18	2	3	87	750	468	1556	13 53	44	10	108	46				
30	1	18			22	12	12			126	593	98	855	9 93		7	95	36						
31	3	9		40	36		66	140	9		35	410	170	906	8 08	27	10	85	66					
32	3		1									240	41	241	7 44	12	8	50	32					
33	2	5					2				9	139	31	181	7 54		8	87	32					
34			1	9	9							27	94	139	17 37		2	98	53					
35	19	96	24	32	625	588	263	289	236	17	37	1289	6709	2877	12330	11 58	419	147	1189	929				

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<b>San Francisco.</b>							
M. M. Gibson, D. D.....	San Francisco,	Cal. 1st San Francisco,(3†	5	398	21	16	1
G. McCormick, D. D.....	Salinas,	do Salinas, (2).....	7	191	11	4	2
W. W. Gordon.....	Easton,	do Easton.....	4	126	.....	6	3
A. Calhoun, D. D.....	Alameda,	do Alameda †.....	2	32	4	2	4
J. M. French, S. C.....	Oakland,	do Oakland †.....	2	49	14	5	5
C. C. Kyle.....	Castroville,	do Castroville †.....	3	32	2	.....	6
do.....	do	do San Miguel Canon.....	2	14	1	.....	7
J. H. Elliott.....	Fowler,	do Fowler †.....	5	78	2	6	8
J. C. Lynn.....	San Jose,	do San Jose.....	5	72	5	21	9
W. E. Dugan, P. E.....	San Francisco,	do 2d San Francisco—10	5	138	.....	2	10
<i>Without Charge.</i>							
John Taylor.....	Easton,	do <i>Pastoral Charges, 9.</i>					
Wm. Brown.....	Semi-tropic,	do <i>Missionary Soci-</i>					
M. M. Gilchrist—11.....	Morgan Hill,	do <i>eties, 11</i>					
		do <i>Sabbath Schools, 13.</i>					
		do <i>Young People's So-</i>					
		do <i>cieties, 17.</i>					
<i>Licentiate</i> s, 1.	<i>Students, 0.</i>		40	1130	60	62	11
<b>Sialkot.</b>							
(Report of 1896.)							
I. D. Shabbaz.....	Sialkot, Punjab, India,	Sialkot.....	2	262	46	37	12
Paul Nisar Ali, S. S.....	Mar li, via, Sialkot, do	Marali.....	4	133	25	.....	13
O. S. Lytle, S. S., S. C.....	Sialkot, do	Pasrur.....	2	70	2	.....	14
do.....	do do	Jhulki.....	3	35	.....	.....	15
S. Martin, D. D., Prof.....	do do	Mundekei.....	5	64	28	42	16
do.....	do do	Chahar.....	3	64	34	42	17
do.....	do do	Adam-Draz.....	3	41	15	3	18
Amid-ul-Din—5.....	Dhoda, via, Sialkot, do	Unorganized cntrs.....		1934	223	33	19
		do <i>Pastoral Charges, 7.</i>					
		do <i>Missionary Soci-</i>					
		do <i>eties, 4.</i>					
		do <i>Sabbath Schools, 52.</i>					
		do <i>Young People's So-</i>					
		do <i>cieties, 1.</i>					
<i>Licentiate</i> s, 0.	<i>Students, 5</i>		22	2603	373	162	20
<b>Sidney.</b>							
J. C. Roe.....	Kenton,	Ohio, Kenton.....	5	145	14	5	21
G. W. Hamilton, D. D.....	Bellefontaine,	do Bellefontaine.....	8	262	4	14	22
J. P. Robb, D. D.....	Sidney,	do Sidney.....	3	98	6	3	23
J. J. Huston.....	Belle Center,	do Belle Center.....	1	182	19	11	24
F. D. Findley.....	Huntsville,	do Huntsville, 2/3†.....	7	142	12	3	25
do.....	do do	do Northwood, 1/3.....	4	74	9	3	26
M. D. Telford.....	Silver Creek,	do Silver Creek †.....	4	59	5	1	27
J. F. McKnight, P. E.....	Roundhead,	do Roundhead.....	3	59	3	.....	28
W. R. Leiper.....	Piqua,	do Piqua †.....	6	152	4	.....	29
J. W. Kerr, S.....	Toledo,	do Toledo.....		21	4	17	30
<i>Correspondents.</i>							
W. B. Kerr.....	Grand Rapids,	do Grand Rapids.....	3	40	.....	.....	31
G. T. Boyd.....	Findlay,	do Findlay †.....	2	36	3	.....	32
Z. T. Hastings.....	Ft. Recovery,	do Macedon.....	3	50	2	3	33
W. J. White.....	West Leipsic,	do Leipsic.....	4	55	1	.....	34
John Bauch.....	Belmore,	do Belmore.....	5	*29	.....	.....	35
R. S. Davidson.....	Scotch Ridge,	do Scotch Ridge.....	4	84	10	.....	36
John Paul.....	Ray,	Ind. California.....	4	*28	.....	.....	37
J. H. Williamson.....	Mt. Cory,	Ohio, Canonsburg—18.....	4	*51	.....	.....	38
<i>Without Charge.</i>							
H. H. Thompson, D. D., S. C.....	Urbana,	do Note.—Sugar Run					
A. J. Johnson.....	Belle Center,	do and Unionville					
T. F. Boyd—12.....	Quincy,	do transferred to Xenia.					
		do <i>Pastoral Charges, 9.</i>					
		do <i>Missionary Soci-</i>					
		do <i>eties, 12.</i>					
		do <i>Sabbath Schools, 17.</i>					
		do <i>Young People's So-</i>					
		do <i>cieties, 12.</i>					
<i>Licentiate</i> s, 0.	<i>Students, 3.</i>		76	1567	96	60	39

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1	3	31	20	3	80	50	25	77	10	2	5	906	2185	2053	5393	13 55	80	38	310	579	
2	1	19	11	2	50	55	30	30	13	1	9	10	1200	207	1605	8 40	88	19	125	106	
3	1	6	3	3	122	118	58	58	.....	.....	.....	20	635	140	1151	8 34	86	14	130	65	
4	.....	10	.....	1	12	12	3	5	.....	.....	.....	24	229	113	400	12 50	35	8	75	55	
5	1	3	.....	.....	20	22	9	9	1	1	1	35	175	958	1231	25 12	35	11	96	114	
6	.....	9	1	.....	15	24	16	14	3	.....	.....	5	300	358	7.5	22 96	20	7	50	48	
7	.....	3	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1	50	15	73	5 25	.....	3	25	14	
8	1	12	.....	.....	17	55	.....	10	.....	.....	.....	9	400	679	1170	15 00	45	10	87	82	
9	4	14	1	2	35	32	20	15	.....	.....	.....	15	600	823	1540	21 40	31	10	138	143	
10	2	40	3	.....	7	6	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1440	1463	10 60	50	10	175	120	
11	13	144	51	18	360	375	168	224	28	4	17	1025	5774	6786	14761	13 06	465	130	1211	1328	
12	.....	80	10	46	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	
13	.....	3	48	24	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	
14	.....	7	1	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	
15	.....	4	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	
16	.....	.....	15	25	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	
17	.....	.....	29	23	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	
18	.....	.....	14	42	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	
19	.....	469	142	209	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	
20	.....	563	259	371	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	
21	1	7	12	3	40	40	16	22	5	2	3	300	800	250	1473	10 19	60	11	125	50	
22	2	14	10	2	118	113	45	34	.....	.....	.....	240	1125	553	2235	8 54	100	13	170	142	
23	5	.....	2	3	15	18	5	3	.....	.....	.....	6	500	124	671	6 84	15	10	107	22	
24	.....	11	9	.....	61	158	70	42	18	.....	.....	2	900	330	1596	8 70	97	17	173	151	
25	4	2	5	1	60	92	4	7	.....	.....	.....	13	600	182	1063	7 06	51	14	100	45	
26	1	2	3	3	41	41	25	5	.....	.....	.....	2	300	42	509	6 88	27	10	57	34	
27	.....	4	1	1	40	41	5	.....	.....	.....	.....	4	23	500	157	770	13 05	12	8	53	24
28	.....	.....	2	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	75	170	245	4 15	.....	12	60	30
29	.....	18	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	32	660	224	916	6 02	60	15	90	30	
30	.....	.....	.....	.....	4	13	8	4	.....	.....	.....	.....	85	54	168	8 00	23	10	36	47	
31	1	1	1	.....	5	4	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	10	220	61	300	7 50	15	10	30	25	
32	2	2	2	2	10	59	10	3	1	.....	.....	1	35	364	207	690	19 16	47	9	61	57
33	.....	.....	.....	.....	10	6	3	.....	.....	.....	.....	1	189	1	222	4 44	.....	.....	.....	.....	
34	.....	7	2	1	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	12	91	35	126	2 29	.....	13	60	20
35	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	*12	*50	.....
36	.....	3	8	6	30	44	19	37	.....	.....	.....	.....	400	30	560	6 16	40	17	123	192	
37	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	*6	*34	.....	
38	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	*12	*30	.....	
39	16	71	57	22	434	629	210	157	32	10	31	757	6800	2420	11480	7 87	597	180	1 53	807	





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1	1	7	4	2	65	65	51	48	8	3	5	63	300	975	1584	13 20	*58	21	244	214
2	1	10	1	.....	9	34	.....	6	.....	.....	1	.....	112	87	249	6 92	10	5	25	23
3	.....	12	.....	.....	12	25	6	.....	.....	.....	.....	53	30	100	230	6 92	*55	10	48	47
4	.....	4	3	.....	9	30	4	16	.....	.....	.....	34	226	153	472	8 43	51	10	65	44
5	2	33	8	2	95	154	61	70	8	3	6	150	672	1316	2535	10 97	174	46	382	333
6	9	9	8	1	303	242	55	60	45	10	30	334	1200	689	3168	8 23	56	18	140	120
7	3	8	1	1	107	10	11	.....	.....	.....	103	700	188	1119	7 13	30	9	120	35	
8	.....	4	5	3	30	63	8	5	.....	.....	5	116	626	378	1231	11 19	36	12	95	40
9	.....	.....	1	.....	8	6	.....	.....	.....	.....	8	121	409	532	16 72	.....	4	40	.....	.....
10	12	21	15	5	448	321	74	65	45	10	35	561	2647	1664	5870	8 8	122	33	395	195
11	3	18	16	.....	426	418	189	233	108	12	27	354	1400	1136	4303	11 06	159	41	415	603
12	4	4	6	.....	86	85	43	42	10	2	5	622	666	162	1733	11 55	45	14	134	118
13	.....	4	4	.....	67	78	30	21	2	1	3	58	333	47	640	9 27	45	10	30	66
14	2	14	5	.....	206	87	35	34	5	2	5	140	900	137	155	8 87	54	13	140	107
15	2	10	3	1	10	13	5	.....	.....	.....	.....	100	900	138	1166	12 15	45	12	97	73
16	3	9	3	.....	133	124	62	.....	.....	.....	9	75	800	255	1458	10 72	40	14	124	134
17	3	1	1	.....	32	45	44	28	6	1	7	12	400	52	627	8 12	3	1	67	44
18	.....	.....	3	.....	23	25	28	5	5	.....	2	17	400	50	555	7 91	39	10	69	21
19	3	2	3	5	103	97	47	47	8	3	8	13	600	110	1056	8 51	30	13	142	110
20	4	10	2	2	52	87	47	30	5	2	7	20	325	232	807	8 40	40	11	83	29
21	1	6	1	.....	8	92	35	35	10	1	5	23	400	51	733	10 94	.....	8	62	44
22	3	15	7	4	271	259	111	139	65	7	17	723	1100	708	3400	13 71	*131	29	242	375
23	4	21	19	8	54	91	22	12	4	2	3	900	299	1360	10 40	67	16	167	161	
24	3	14	7	8	314	356	105	168	60	6	15	884	1400	906	4214	16 66	122	32	259	143
25	2	.....	5	1	75	74	36	30	12	2	6	8	500	167	910	10 22	35	8	35	38
26	2	5	3	1	5	20	6	.....	.....	.....	.....	297	95	425	6 07	60	9	70	70	
27	2	11	1	.....	20	16	7	1	1	1	1	250	2469	2766	42 70	25	11	79	32	
28	1	6	.....	.....	6	9	2	.....	.....	.....	20	8	200	10	253	3 00	20	8	60	15
29	.....	5	2	1	20	40	5	.....	.....	.....	.....	235	21	321	5 00	.....	11	48	35	
30	.....	18	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	150	100	250	6 25	17	10	30	15	
31	.....	8	.....	.....	27	23	17	7	11	3	6	119	620	117	956	9 60	35	8	74	56
32	44	179	91	31	2011	2048	876	832	342	47	146	3176	12776	7232	29486	11 08	1300	90	2518	2417
33	4	31	5	.....	13	9	4	3	2	1	4	10	275	100	421	3 38	.....	9	110	45
34	1	24	.....	6	126	177	65	66	13	4	10	158	150	778	5 64	126	29	409	170	
35	1	.....	.....	.....	11	11	3	2	2	1	2	35	210	10	287	3 28	70	9	125	35
36	.....	3	3	.....	5	11	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	135	50	60	261	3 18	40	8	147	0
37	1	6	21	.....	25	25	70	25	2	2	1	8	.....	186	344	4 90	59	12	202	23
38	.....	11	5	1	7	9	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	7	33	5	61	1 05	36	9	5	14
39	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
40	.....	13	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	20	1 82	.....	.....	.....	.....

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<b>Tennessee.—Con.</b>						
<i>Without Charge.</i>						
R. J. Love, Prof.....	Knoxville, Tenn.	Pastoral Charges, 6.				
J. R. Mullin, Prof.....	do	Miss'y Societies, 0.				
R. B. Taggart, Prof.—3.....	Harriman, do	Sabbath Schools, 6.				
		Young People's Societies, 5.	23	582	43	14
<i>Licentiates, 0.</i>	<i>Students, 4.</i>					
<b>Vermont.</b>						
Frank A. Collins.....	Ryegate, Vt.	Ryegate t.....	7	112	5	1
James W. Harris.....	Greensboro, do	Greensboro.....	4	89	3	3
D. M. McKinlay, S. C.—3.....	Barnet, do	Barnet Center†—3.....	5	93		4
		Pastoral Charges, 3.				
		Miss'y Societies, 1.				
		Sabbath Schools, 3.				
		Young People's Societies, 3.	16	294	8	1
<i>Licentiates, 0.</i>	<i>Students, 0.</i>					
<b>Westmoreland.</b>						
Samuel J. Shaw.....	Braddock, Pa.	Braddock.....	4	285	15	13
Alex. D. McCarrell.....	Stewarts Station, do	Stewarts Station †.....	3	85	3	2
James S. Garvin.....	Wes: Newton, do	West Newton.....	5	170	9	10
Howard S. Wilson.....	Mount Pleasant, do	Mount Pleasant †.....	5	87	7	9
John M. Atchison.....	Irwin, do	Irwin †.....	5	189	16	7
Alex. J. Young.....	McKeesport, do	McKeesport.....	4	221	4	11
Daniel M. Thorne.....	West Newton, do	Sewickley.....	2	*50		12
J. Clinton Kistler, S. C.....	Buena Vista, do	Buena Vista, ½ t.....	5	127	22	3
do	do	Boston, ½.....	3	60	1	14
Clark H. Marshall.....	Turtle Creek, do	Turtle Creek †.....	7	214	6	15
J. Lane Thome.....	Sardis, do	Union †.....	7	150	8	16
Elan Z. Thomas.....	Leechburg, do	Leechburg.....	4	122	5	10
George W. White-side.....	Parnassus, do	Parnassus.....	4	153	7	16
Major E. Dunn.....	Circleville, do	Bethel (West'm'd), ¾†.....	5	179	30	11
do	do	Duffsville, ¼.....	5	68	21	4
William K. Fulton.....	Unity Station, do	Unity, ½.....	3	163	13	18
do	do	Logan's Ferry, ½ t.....	2	40	4	4
James S. Hill.....	Latrobe, do	Latrobe.....	3	100	5	13
E. C. Paxton.....	Elizabeth, do	Elizabeth.....	6	181	60	16
John A. Do. thett, D. D.....	Greensburg, do	Greensburg †.....	5	208	19	6
Thomas L. Jamieson.....	Ligonier, do	Fairfield (2).....	6	143	9	9
John H. Moorehead.....	Scottdale, do	Scottdale.....	3	44	1	27
Robert Yost.....	Wilmerding, do	Wilmerding.....	4	147	32	30
S. Dell Johnston.....	Reynoldton, do	Reynoldton.....	3	111	34	20
Samuel Collins, D. D., S. S.....	Allegheny, do	New Alexandria.....	3	76	10	30
S. B. McBride, S. S.....	Sewickley, do	Bethel (All'y), ½.....	3	56	2	31
Charles Stunkard.....	Murrysville, do	Murrysville, ½.....	2	77	18	2
do	do	Beulah, ¼.....	4	56	7	2
A. P. Duncan, P. E.....	Laurel Hill, do	Laurel Hill †.....	4	84		5
<i>Correspondents.</i>						
Chas. W. Benford.....	Keffer, do	Fairmount.....	2	**73		35
J. E. McGeary.....	Markle, do	Puckety.....	3	56		1
W. W. Irwin.....	Sunny Side, do	Bethesda.....	2	*91		37
John McMillen.....	Madison, do	Madison.....	5	55	4	38
J. A. McKesson.....	Connellsville, do	Connellsville.....	1	38		39
Samuel Dunseith.....	Jeannette, do	Jeannette—35.....	2	68	1	2
J. M. Graham.....	Pitcairn, do	Pitcairn Miss.....				41
<i>Without Charge.</i>						
Oliver Katz.....	Saltsburg, do					
J. N. Dick, D. D.....	Greenburg, do					
J. M. Imbrie.....	Murrysville, do					
D. H. Pollock.....	Kansas City, Mo.					
Samuel H. Graham—30.....	Jeannette, Pa.					
		Pastoral Charges, 31.				
		Miss'y Societies, 43.				
		Sabbath Schools, 35.				
		Young People's Societies, 37.	134	4027	383	274
<i>Licentiates, 4.</i>	<i>Students, 3.</i>					

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1	8	85	13	31	202	236	153	96	19	8	17	353	568	520	2172	3 73	331	76	1036	317					
2	5	5	3	1	210	135	130	41	4	2	6	40	700	322	1590	14 54	46	12	90	237					
3	1	3	3	3	30	25	12	10	5	2	5	61	587	49	786	8 83	23	15	75	45					
4	5	2	3	.....	60	18	10	5	.....	.....	.....	10	550	129	782	8 40	30	7	80	20					
5	11	10	6	4	300	178	152	56	9	4	11	111	1837	500	3158	10 87	99	34	245	302					
6	7	18	12	3	419	276	145	125	50	8	15	50	1600	2167	4855	17 03	80	19	134	201					
7	3	29	6	2	70	89	12	13	.....	.....	.....	64	800	247	1295	15 23	32	7	40	32					
8	2	10	12	1	160	140	120	60	30	5	10	200	1100	278	2103	12 37	60	12	150	160					
9	4	5	.....	.....	112	90	25	34	17	3	6	61	800	130	1278	14 68	40	8	50	30					
10	3	16	6	4	87	76	96	46	.....	.....	.....	3	100	1000	685	2098	11 10	50	11	90	112				
11	5	13	4	.....	181	151	100	400	40	5	32	143	1500	863	3415	14 23	47	18	135	156					
12	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....					
13	2	10	4	7	118	99	56	67	14	3	20	132	600	186	1295	10 23	45	16	176	177					
14	3	7	.....	.....	20	23	26	6	6	2	3	42	400	111	639	10 65	30	13	120	95					
15	4	15	14	1	209	201	106	93	32	.....	18	241	1000	1076	2976	13 91	146	19	175	269					
16	2	15	5	.....	100	55	55	15	10	5	3	87	750	293	1373	8 10	45	16	133	49					
17	7	7	7	.....	30	54	14	21	3	2	3	156	865	331	1479	12 12	50	20	96	170					
18	1	4	5	3	83	63	60	50	4	4	4	132	916	178	1494	9 16	112	14	104	104					
19	2	30	4	9	100	100	49	99	7	5	10	293	800	315	1778	9 93	105	14	134	92					
20	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....					
21	1	17	6	2	128	110	91	57	25	4	6	75	800	675	1971	12 15	80	25	225	91					
22	3	3	1	.....	59	72	27	14	9	1	3	59	400	195	839	20 98	30	8	72	69					
23	1	10	3	1	13	70	13	10	1	1	2	22	752	170	1054	11 00	20	10	80	49					
24	3	7	10	15	91	114	18	7	3	.....	8	110	900	358	1609	8 89	75	14	125	114					
25	3	9	9	2	92	203	41	48	53	19	5	563	1250	783	3057	14 70	52	16	82	115					
26	5	5	3	2	55	55	27	10	5	10	6	133	800	92	1193	8 68	51	16	70	34					
27	7	7	2	.....	35	26	6	6	10	1	6	15	384	136	624	14 41	60	12	50	36					
28	3	7	3	2	75	75	10	20	10	.....	243	1000	193	1626	11 06	82	14	75	103						
29	7	6	14	.....	21	55	20	20	4	.....	1	31	700	946	1798	16 19	192	23	300	234					
30	4	3	1	.....	45	21	26	18	9	.....	4	45	338	88	594	7 82	15	11	73	59					
31	1	6	.....	.....	5	5	5	5	.....	.....	.....	.....	216	20	256	4 57	.....	.....	.....	.....					
32	3	.....	.....	.....	30	20	10	9	.....	.....	5	75	450	25	624	8 10	.....	9	48	30					
33	1	3	.....	.....	5	8	5	10	.....	.....	.....	.....	350	41	419	7 48	41	9	53	23					
34	3	10	2	.....	50	95	.....	10	5	8	.....	25	446	60	699	8 32	38	10	50	70					
35	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....					
36	4	4	.....	.....	25	25	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	225	407	150	832	14 00	.....	5	30	13					
37	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....					
38	.....	25	3	1	3	10	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	243	20	276	5 00	.....	7	37	8					
39	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	400	62	462	11 88	15	8	20	13					
40	2	24	1	.....	10	10	10	9	.....	.....	.....	.....	640	150	829	12 20	25	10	90	64					
41	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	325	.....	325	.....	.....	6	45	20					
42	67	324	151	78	2431	2301	1173	1282	347	89	175	3322	23231	11024	45465	11 68	1653	409	3138	2833					

MINISTERS AND COR- RESPONDENTS FOR VACANCIES.	POST OFFICE AND STATE.	CONGREGATION.	Elders.	Communicants.	Increase.		
					Profession.	Certificate.	
<b>Wheeling.</b>							
J. T. McClure, D. D.	Wheeling,	W. Va. Wheeling	8	277	17	9	1
J. H. Littell, Co-pastor.	do	do					2
W. G. Waddle, D. D.	New Athens,	Ohio. Cassville, ½	3	46	1	5	3
do	do	do Unity, ½	6	78	2	3	4
Thos Balph, D. D., S. C.	St. Clairsville,	do St. Clairsville	10	226	3	4	5
W. M. Coleman	West Alexander,	Pa. West Alexander	7	218	3	6	6
W. R. Thompson	Lucite,	Ohio. High Ridge, ½ †	4	73	8	4	7
do	do	do Roney's Point, ¾	7	153	6	4	8
J. B. Ricketts	Key,	do Belmont, ½ †	5	116	5	1	9
do	do	do McMabon's Creek, ½	4	91	3		10
H. S. Boyd	Bellaire,	do Bellaire	3	134	10	4	11
W. M. Butler	Cadiz,	do Cadiz †	6	163	4	7	12
Wm. Grimes	Glencoe,	do Pleasant Hill	1	24			13
J. H. Spencer	New Athens,	do New Athens, ½	3	119	11	7	14
do	do	do Harrisville, ½	5	103	5	2	15
Edgar G. Bailey	Martin's Ferry,	do Martin's Ferry	5	112	3	3	16
W. P. Shaw	Limestone,	W. Va. Buchanan Hill	5	50		1	17
<i>Correspondents.</i>							
Calvin Pollock	Lafferty,	Ohio. Brownstown	8	146	9	1	18
W. J. Moore	Jolly,	do Brownsville	3	33	2	1	19
D. A. Guthrie	Tippecanoe,	do Tippecanoe	3	28		2	20
C. Thompson	Heslop,	do Little Muskingum	3	37	1		21
W. M. Fulton	Altitude,	W. Va. Pleasant Ridge—21		*28			22
<i>Without Charge.</i>							
Thomas Love, D. D.	Fairpoint,	Ohio.					
R. G. Campbell, D. D.	New Athens,	do Pastoral Charges, 17.					
Robert Stewart, D. D.	St. Clairsville,	do Miss'y Societies, 22.					
W. H. Ferguson	Xenia,	do Sabbath Schools, 19.					
J. W. Hunter—18	New Athens,	do Young People's Societies, 19.					
<i>Licentiates, 1.</i>			98	2255	93	64	23
<b>Wisconsin.</b>							
J. B. Galloway	Poynette,	Wis. Arlington, ¾	3	95	22	3	24
R. S. Marshall, Cor.	Alloa,	do Caledonia, ½	3	57	1		25
H. R. Snyder	Guthrie,	do Vernon †	2	86	5	1	26
S. G. Huey, S. C.	Rock Prairie,	do Rock Prairie †	5	177	19	2	27
<i>Correspondents.</i>							
John A. Anderson	North Cape,	do Yorkville	4	46		1	28
Andrew Reid	Jeddo,	do Buffalo	2	22	1		29
W. D. McGill	Sussex,	do Lisbon †—7	3	57	8		30
<i>Without Charge.</i>							
James D. Smith	Lodi,	do Pastoral Charges, 6.					
W. C. Long—5	Sussex,	do Miss'y Societies, 1.					
		do Sabbath Schools, 7.					
		do Young People's Societies, 6.					
<i>Licentiates, 0.</i>			22	540	56	7	31
<b>Xenia.</b>							
W. A. Robb, D. D., S. C.	Jamestown,	Ohio. Jamestown	4	119	7	13	32
J. G. Carson, D. D.	Xenia,	do 2d Xenia †	6	212	3	6	33
R. B. Patton	Columbus,	do 1st Columbus	4	157	4	5	34
J. C. Warnock	Cedarville,	do Cedarville †	6	280	28	7	35
W. J. Buchanan	Columbus,	do Neil Ave. Columbus	3	156	12	17	36
R. H. Hume, D. D.	Springfield,	do Springfield	7	236	9	3	37
E. G. Ramsey	Xenia,	do 1st Xenia †	8	270	11	8	38
E. R. Davidson	Clifton,	do Clifton †	7	139	8		39
A. K. Strane	Reynoldsburg,	do Reynoldsburg	4	129	9	4	40
J. S. Tussey	Greenfield,	do Greenfield, ½ †	4	50	1	1	41
do	do	do Fall Creek, ½	3	31			42
<i>Correspondents.</i>							
George Moore	Xenia,	do 3d Xenia †	5	160	3	1	43
T. L. Prugh	Dean,	do Sugar Creek †	5	115		2	44
J. W. Liggett	New California,	do Sugar Run	5	94	2		45
H. P. Woods	Plain City,	do Unionville—15.	2	24			46
		Sciota, Dis					47



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					Profession.	Certificate.
<b>Xenia.</b> —Con.						
<i>Without Charge.</i>						
W. G. Moorehead, D. D., Prof	Xenia,	Ohio.				
Jas. Harper, D.D.,LL.D.,Prof	do	do				
D. MacDill, D. D.,LL.D.,Prof	do	do				
J. D. Irons, D. D., Prof.....	do	do				
W. A. Black .....	do.	do				
J. M. Heron .....	Jamestown,	do				
J. F. Hutchison, D. D.—17.....	Xenia,	do				
<i>Licentiates, 6.</i>	<i>Students, 3.</i>	<i>Pastoral Charges, 14. Miss'y Societies, 27. Sabbath Schools, 17. Young People's So- cieties, 18.</i>	73	2152	97	67. 1

Dece'se		Bapt'ms.		CONTRIBUTIONS.															S. SCHOOLS.			
Deaths.	Removals.	Infant.	Adult.	Foreign Missions.	Home Missions.	Freedmen's Missions.	Church Extension.	Education.	Assembly's Fund.	Ministerial Relief.	General Contribut'ns.	Salary by Congregat'n.	Congregat'l Expenses.	Total Amount.	Average per Member.	Members of Young People's Societies.	Officers and Teachers.	Number of Scholars.	Contributions.			
1	31	173	45	35	2126	1763	829	741	394	39	148	1831	11618	6775	26264	12	20	68	222	1693	1513	

## 2. PRESBYTERIAL

SYNODS AND PRESBYTERIES.	Pastors.	Without Charge.	Total Ministers.	Licentiates. Students.	Congregations.	Pastoral Charges.	Mission Stations.	Elders.	Communicants.	Incr'se.			Deer'ase.			Bapt'ms.	CONTRIBUT'NS.		
										Profession.	Certificate.	Deaths.	Removals.	Infant.	Adult.		Foreign Missions.	Home Missions.	
<b>Synod of New York.</b>																			
Albany.....	6	1	7	1	7	7		28	866	51	8	19	66		8	16	634	672	<b>1</b>
Argyle.....	11	4	15	1	12	12		63	2491	100	36	42	116	64	25	2516	2368	<b>2</b>	
Boston.....	14	1	15		14	14		51	1993	170	159	21	171	121	10	489	486	<b>3</b>	
Caledonia.....	9	2	11		13	13		57	2401	132	88	52	178	75	46	1350	1120	<b>4</b>	
Delaware.....	14	1	15	1	2	19	17	74	2523	173	55	30	142	65	68	1158	1202	<b>5</b>	
New York.....	16	6	22		18	20	2	70	3237	237	132	58	391	145	29	2190	974	<b>6</b>	
Philadelphia.....	17	6	23	3	19	18	1	86	3809	258	162	55	370	124	17	2700	2265	<b>7</b>	
Stamford.....	3	1	4	1	4	4		26	685	74	10	12	21	15	5	448	321	<b>8</b>	
Vermont—9.....	3		3		3	3		16	294	8	1	11	10	6	4	300	178	<b>9</b>	
<b>Total.....</b>	<b>93</b>	<b>22</b>	<b>115</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>109</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>471</b>	<b>18299</b>	<b>1203</b>	<b>651</b>	<b>300</b>	<b>1465</b>	<b>623</b>	<b>226</b>	<b>11785</b>	<b>9586</b>	<b>10</b>	
<b>Synod of Pittsburgh.</b>																			
Big Spring.....	6	5	11	1	10	8		41	1188	40	12	14	28	33	10	812	733	<b>11</b>	
Brookville.....	5	1	6		17	6		55	1149	54	19	13	83	44	10	412	305	<b>12</b>	
Chartiers.....	16	5	21	3	20	20		97	3402	115	164	52	186	89	29	3678	3482	<b>13</b>	
Conemaugh.....	10	6	16		22	13		92	2670	142	87	44	127	84	30	1717	1165	<b>14</b>	
Frankfort.....	7	2	9		16	14		68	1917	57	64	20	88	32	7	739	737	<b>15</b>	
Monongahela.....	32	6	38	8	37	35	1	169	7805	535	544	116	565	296	51	9724	9552	<b>16</b>	
Westmoreland—7.....	25	5	30	4	3	35	31	134	4027	383	274	67	324	151	78	2431	2391	<b>17</b>	
<b>Total.....</b>	<b>101</b>	<b>30</b>	<b>131</b>	<b>15</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>157</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>656</b>	<b>22158</b>	<b>1326</b>	<b>1164</b>	<b>326</b>	<b>1401</b>	<b>729</b>	<b>215</b>	<b>19513</b>	<b>18365</b>	<b>18</b>	
<b>First Synod of the West.</b>																			
Allegheny.....	26	14	40	3	13	29	27	4	151	6954	484	324	86	480	223	47	12675	10535	<b>19</b>
Beaver Valley.....	14	5	19	1	1	24	17	107	3612	176	162	56	212	98	40	2225	2062	<b>20</b>	
Butler.....	18	3	21	5	2	32	21	158	4214	273	182	55	273	161	39	2549	2333	<b>21</b>	
Cleveland.....	6	1	7	1	2	9	9	42	1314	63	94	18	120	42	8	484	591	<b>22</b>	
Lake.....	13	6	19	2	2	25	22	1	104	3121	211	94	35	145	95	66	995	896	<b>23</b>
Mercer—6.....	8	2	10	2	2	14	11	66	2034	102	80	35	168	56	20	1726	1391	<b>24</b>	
<b>Total.....</b>	<b>85</b>	<b>31</b>	<b>116</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>22</b>	<b>133</b>	<b>107</b>	<b>628</b>	<b>21249</b>	<b>1309</b>	<b>936</b>	<b>285</b>	<b>1398</b>	<b>675</b>	<b>220</b>	<b>20654</b>	<b>17808</b>	<b>25</b>	
<b>Synod of Ohio.</b>																			
Detroit.....	8	2	10		14	12		45	875	110	38	13	50	28	9	299	423	<b>26</b>	
Mansfield.....	8	5	13	2	14	12		46	1290	63	35	23	61	31	21	844	1264	<b>27</b>	
Muskingum.....	17	5	22	4	2	28	18	121	3313	152	196	60	367	64	18	1971	1584	<b>28</b>	
Steubenville.....	12	6	18	1	3	21	16	107	2571	159	83	44	179	91	31	2011	2048	<b>29</b>	
Wheeling—5.....	13	5	18	1	2	21	17	98	2255	93	64	47	68	73	15	1822	1652	<b>30</b>	
<b>Total.....</b>	<b>58</b>	<b>23</b>	<b>81</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>98</b>	<b>75</b>	<b>417</b>	<b>10304</b>	<b>577</b>	<b>416</b>	<b>187</b>	<b>725</b>	<b>287</b>	<b>94</b>	<b>6947</b>	<b>6971</b>	<b>31</b>	
<b>Second Synod.</b>																			
Chillicothe.....	2	1	3	1	6	5		24	727	19	13	13	40	9	7	184	236	<b>32</b>	
Indiana.....	5	2	7		11	11		42	939	74	28	23	71	14	39	608	523	<b>33</b>	
Indiana, Northern.....	5	3	8		11	7		44	724	56	28	6	70	8	11	158	138	<b>34</b>	
Ohio, First.....	10	4	14	3	1	13	12	61	1596	116	82	13	110	49	52	873	960	<b>35</b>	
Princeton.....	3	4	7		9	6	1	32	1046	37	15	22	72	42	8	548	430	<b>36</b>	
Sidney.....	9	3	12	3	18	9		76	1567	96	60	16	71	57	22	434	629	<b>37</b>	
Tennessee.....	6	3	9	4	7	6		23	582	43	14	8	85	13	31	202	236	<b>38</b>	
Xenia—8.....	10	7	17	6	3	15	14	73	2152	97	67	31	173	45	35	2126	1763	<b>39</b>	
<b>Total.....</b>	<b>50</b>	<b>27</b>	<b>77</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>90</b>	<b>70</b>	<b>375</b>	<b>9333</b>	<b>538</b>	<b>307</b>	<b>132</b>	<b>692</b>	<b>237</b>	<b>205</b>	<b>5133</b>	<b>4915</b>	<b>40</b>	
<b>Synod of Illinois.</b>																			
Chicago.....	12	7	19	1	2	14	13	1	49	1682	254	132	20	158	80	44	861	1042	<b>41</b>
Illinois, Central.....	7	4	11	1	8	8		30	684	35	7	9	31	14	13	414	385	<b>42</b>	
Illinois, Southern.....	15	7	22	2	2	23	19	110	3157	242	132	41	200	114	48	1769	1415	<b>43</b>	
Monmouth.....	14	6	20	2	4	18	17	98	2743	161	103	39	156	71	45	2254	1826	<b>44</b>	
Rock Island.....	8	2	10	1	1	11	10	42	1116	73	50	19	96	24	32	625	588	<b>45</b>	
Wisconsin—6.....	3	2	5		7	6		22	540	56	7	10	25	20	22	351	284	<b>46</b>	
<b>Total.....</b>	<b>59</b>	<b>28</b>	<b>87</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>81</b>	<b>73</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>351</b>	<b>9922</b>	<b>821</b>	<b>431</b>	<b>138</b>	<b>666</b>	<b>323</b>	<b>204</b>	<b>6274</b>	<b>5540</b>	<b>47</b>



SUMMARY.

	CONTRIBUTIONS.—CONTINUED.												Y. Peopl's Societies.	SABBATH Schools.	SCHOOLS. Officers and Teachers.	SCHOOLS. Number of Scholars.	SCHOOLS. Contributions.	
	Freedmen's Missions.	Church Extension.	Education.	Assembly's Fund.	Ministerial Relief.	General Contribut'ns.	Salary by Congregat'n.	Congregat'l Purposes.	Total Amount.	Average per Member.	Average Salary of Pastors.	Number of Missy Societies.						Number of Societies.
1	240	204	80	27	36	952	6128	3974	12947	14 95	1103	3	7	319	7	100	693	508
2	1150	985	341	65	141	1898	11028	4495	24987	10 03	11:6	14	12	736	12	188	1670	1629
3	187	311	49	14	31	1390	15762	10563	29282	14 69	1280	11	14	912	15	208	1694	1761
4	298	332	66	41	68	1552	10866	5208	20961	8 73	1105	16	21	911	13	190	1462	1473
5	651	500	174	51	83	1945	12720	4371	22855	9 31	963	12	20	659	17	210	2082	1132
6	472	350	84	29	111	5728	25320	18277	55355	16 53	1472	15	33	1044	20	389	3637	4361
7	872	1021	387	99	271	5335	22952	21653	57555	15 10	1579	19	29	1374	18	415	3628	5730
8	74	65	45	10	35	561	2647	1664	5870	8 86	662	3	3	122	4	33	395	195
9	152	56	9	4	11	111	1837	500	3158	10 87	662	1	3	99	3	34	245	302
10	4096	3824	1235	340	787	19472	109260	70765	231150	12 68	1236	94	142	6176	109	1767	15506	17091
11	390	310	129	19	47	386	5690	2602	11118	9 35	847	10	10	373	9	132	1083	566
12	171	109	28	5	22	168	4136	623	5979	5 20	760	13	7	227	15	116	770	381
13	1704	1381	748	94	302	2765	18734	19502	52390	15 66	1034	31	19	1236	19	302	2910	3355
14	718	426	275	24	69	853	11839	8142	25228	9 94	1100	20	23	1049	18	219	1725	1088
15	385	158	67	17	44	983	8092	2999	14221	7 89	843	12	16	752	16	180	1585	750
16	3784	3424	1117	168	477	13620	51108	50814	143788	18 42	1593	60	49	2529	40	771	7367	8649
17	1173	1282	347	89	175	3322	23231	11024	45465	11 68	1116	43	37	1653	35	409	3138	2833
18	8325	7090	2711	416	1136	22097	122830	95706	298189	13 73	1200	189	161	7819	152	2129	18578	17562
19	4138	4448	6035	221	852	33083	40377	51925	165189	24 25	1613	44	42	2428	36	757	6777	8486
20	1183	741	234	101	135	1467	15677	8894	32719	9 05	957	32	28	1012	23	314	2610	2110
21	1546	1164	454	93	228	2308	17340	9728	37737	9 21	924	24	24	1246	30	342	2811	2149
22	286	260	85	25	39	862	8305	6387	17324	13 18	947	10	9	448	9	148	1440	1034
23	535	1524	114	61	54	1188	13098	7296	25762	8 35	937	29	22	842	24	257	1937	1543
24	835	525	654	36	101	705	9220	6236	21548	10 59	1020	16	16	769	14	187	1651	845
25	8517	8661	8507	537	1409	39613	104017	90556	300279	14 29	1153	155	141	6742	136	2005	17226	15967
26	121	128	44	13	23	295	4556	3433	9335	11 30	728	10	12	442	14	127	599	539
27	236	245	47	12	38	623	6045	3400	12754	10 53	879	13	13	428	12	139	945	475
28	1070	750	276	59	87	3430	12138	4916	26281	7 93	758	28	33	1246	27	328	2797	1900
29	876	832	342	47	146	3176	12776	7232	29486	11 08	991	21	22	1300	23	290	2518	2417
30	768	755	292	42	158	1026	12679	2643	21837	9 67	889	22	19	754	19	222	1807	1371
31	3071	2710	1001	173	452	8550	48194	21624	99693	9 88	847	94	59	4170	95	1106	9066	6702
32	132	104	52	3	23	270	2646	581	4231	5 83	753	4	5	154	6	74	686	200
33	233	170	91	14	39	1232	5470	1985	10365	11 03	1100	12	12	375	10	110	995	567
34	190	68	13	11	18	267	3272	1451	5586	7 71	745	7	10	276	10	166	678	369
35	324	272	268	163	57	511	11334	6833	21595	13 53	1047	14	20	672	13	181	1538	1039
36	146	178	85	2	27	653	3336	3985	9390	7 95	557	5	10	351	8	95	801	325
37	210	157	32	10	31	757	6809	420	11489	7 87	769	12	12	597	17	189	1353	867
38	153	96	19	8	17	353	508	520	2172	3 73	285	5	5	331	6	76	1036	341
39	829	741	394	39	148	1831	11618	6775	26264	12 20	1162	27	18	68	17	222	1693	1513
40	2217	1786	954	250	360	5874	45052	24550	91092	10 00	976	81	92	2824	87	1053	8780	5206
41	356	1142	62	10	60	2314	9178	19304	34329	22 22	1219	18	19	943	16	300	2615	3231
42	161	138	254	11	31	622	4061	1323	7400	14 12	755	8	8	204	8	62	458	236
43	610	759	343	61	111	2538	13329	8034	28969	8 29	997	23	29	1048	23	302	2767	1536
44	772	715	617	36	109	7378	15705	10448	39860	14 73	941	21	18	1067	20	280	2317	1888
45	263	289	236	17	37	1289	6709	2877	12930	11 58	897	13	12	419	12	147	1189	929
46	164	154	428	7	26	658	3261	629	5962	11 04	779	1	6	205	7	69	468	384
47	2326	3197	1940	142	374	14790	52243	42615	129450	13 34	975	84	92	3886	86	1160	10014	8204

## PRESBYTERIAL

SYNODS AND PRESBYTERIES.	Pastors.	Without Charge.	Total Ministers.	Licentiates.	Students.	Congregations.	Pastoral Charges.	Mission Stations.	Elders.	Communicants.	Incr'se.		Decr'se.		Bapt'ms.		CONTRIBUT'NS.		
											Profession.	Certificate.	Deaths.	Removals.	Infant.	Adult.	Foreign Missions.	Home Missions.	
<b>Synod of Iowa.</b>																			
Cedar Rapids.....	10	2	12			11	11		44	1116	94	65	13	108	42	31	910	729	1
College Springs.....	17	14	31	2	7	26	22		98	2935	143	187	23	260	82	47	1409	1186	2
Des Moines.....	12	13	25		1	28	25	1	94	2337	133	124	32	176	46	39	869	744	3
Iowa, Northwestern.....	5	1	6			6	6		24	402	39	10	6	42	16	15	127	274	4
Keokuk.....	11	5	16		4	16	15		66	2117	111	95	36	199	45	32	1718	1346	5
Le Claire—6.....	6		6			8	7		29	660	59	36	4	31	27	17	458	456	6
Total.....	61	35	96	3	12	95	86	1	355	9567	579	517	114	816	258	181	5491	4735	7
<b>Synod of Kansas.</b>																			
Arkansas Valley.....	8	4	12		1	15	12		57	1103	46	105	11	166	28	11	499	314	8
Concordia.....	1	2	3			9	4	1	23	372	17	23	3	30	10	3	79	100	9
Garnett.....	8	5	13	1	3	15	10		65	1357	83	67	12	134	34	10	446	506	10
Kansas City.....	7	5	12			12	10	1	42	1062	74	70	17	97	23	22	359	319	11
Pittsburg—5.....	4		4	1		7	6		22	435	28	73	1	97	23	3	133	240	12
Total.....	28	16	44	2	4	58	42	2	211	4329	248	338	44	524	118	49	1516	1479	13
<b>Synod of Nebraska.</b>																			
Colorado.....	7	4	11			7	7		30	947	41	122	12	145	28	18	510	569	14
North Platte.....	2		2			2	2	1	8	109	1	4	2	56	6		29	33	15
Omaha.....	7	7	14			12	12	1	40	1036	69	71	6	86	34	15	353	341	16
Pawnee—4.....	11	4	15	1	1	19	13		54	1591	65	99	14	111	45	20	473	648	17
Total.....	27	14	41	1	1	40	34	2	132	3683	176	296	34	398	113	53	1365	1591	18
<b>Synod of California.</b>																			
Los Angeles.....	6	8	14			7	7	1	21	478	31	49	5	37	10	7	249	297	19
San Francisco—2.....	8	3	11	1		10	9	2	40	1130	60	62	13	144	51	18	360	375	20
Total.....	14	11	25	1		17	16	3	61	1608	91	111	18	181	61	25	609	672	21
<b>Synod of the Columbia.</b>																			
Oregon.....	6	4	10			7	7	1	25	720	19	40	11	77	16	11	200	336	22
Puget Sound.....	3	1	4			3	3		9	215	13	15	1	31	7	4	52	203	23
Spokane—3.....	4		4			4	4	1	11	231	17	16	2	33	8	2	95	154	24
Total.....	13	5	18			14	14	2	45	1166	49	71	14	141	31	17	347	693	25
Total for America.....	589	241	830	63	83	892	752	24	3702	111618	6917	5238	1592	8407	3455	1483	79634	72355	26
<b>Synod of the Punjab.</b>																			
Gujranwala.....	2	7	9	2	5	7	5	3	27	2785	145	205	13	229	36	131			27
Gurdaspur.....	7	3	10	1	3	5	5	104	12	1180	176	101	29	175	190	175			28
*Sialkot—3.....	3	3	6			7	7	22	22	2603									29
Total.....	12	13	25	3	8	19	17	129	61	6568	321	306	42	404	226	306			30
<b>Presbytery of Egypt.</b>																			
Missionary Total.....	35	30	65	25	17	58	49	287	61	11923	894	453	139	676	787	306			32
GRAND TOTAL.....	624	271	895	88	101	950	801	3118	3763	123541	7811	5691	1731	9083	4242	1789	79634	72355	33

## SUMMARY.

## CONTRIBUTIONS.—CONTINUED.

	Freedmen's Missions.	Church Extension.	Education.	Assembly's Fund.	Ministerial Relief.	General Contributions.	Salary by Congregation.	Congregational Purposes.	Total Amount.	Average Per Member.	Average Salary of Pastors.	Number of Missy Societies.	Y. People's Societies.		Sabbath Schools.	Officers and Teachers.	Number of Scholars.	Contributions.	
													Number of Societies.	Members.					
1	396	317	164	19	56	1204	7275	3750	14820	13	37	957	13	14	549	11	118	1199	743
2	528	368	233	61	79	1793	13658	9278	28593	9	76	811	31	30	1037	29	320	2938	1723
3	387	219	134	35	25	1048	12654	6435	23550	9	13	790	23	18	734	27	263	2251	1114
4	36	59	11	13	5	159	2422	1886	4992	12	42	770	6	5	156	6	71	675	372
5	754	560	164	39	88	3024	10947	5485	24125	11	39	869	24	22	934	16	205	1559	1334
6	249	175	54	24	35	626	4324	1004	7405	14	13	760	11	13	359	8	92	643	373
7	2350	1698	760	191	288	7854	51280	27838	102485	10	74	830	108	102	3769	97	1069	9265	5659
8	150	83	155	7	30	620	5245	2525	9628	8	72	808	12	19	537	16	174	1349	674
9	21	24	9	16	7	83	1045	467	1851	5	...	700	8	8	168	5	83	488	214
10	183	104	32	8	17	480	6382	3411	11569	8	96	765	11	11	552	13	154	1281	733
11	117	192	34	11	23	666	6004	3483	11208	10	99	1072	11	13	484	12	178	1456	835
12	50	70	14	2	5	367	2449	808	4138	9	51	930	4	6	141	7	74	624	323
13	521	473	244	44	82	2216	21125	10694	38394	9	00	875	46	57	1882	57	663	5198	2779
14	203	254	78	49	81	978	6998	6911	16631	17	56	1383	8	14	439	7	111	1048	884
15	4	11	1	.....	1	39	498	350	966	8	87	925	2	2	58	3	24	158	60
16	152	161	59	5	16	1054	6977	11438	20556	20	01	1125	11	16	492	12	147	1567	1032
17	312	244	73	14	29	669	6311	3735	12508	7	12	833	12	18	833	19	179	1580	1069
18	671	670	211	68	127	2740	20784	22434	50661	13	89	1054	33	50	1822	41	461	4353	3045
19	109	176	46	8	25	330	3585	4766	9591	20	06	1014	9	10	292	9	71	446	494
20	168	224	28	4	17	1025	5774	6786	14761	13	06	1117	11	17	465	13	130	1211	1320
21	277	400	74	12	42	1355	9359	11552	24352	15	14	1073	20	27	757	22	201	1657	1814
22	123	128	18	1	14	166	3383	2609	6978	9	09	1129	6	11	336	11	98	1024	420
23	14	49	11	1	2	227	450	983	1992	8	56	1167	6	5	146	4	43	449	184
24	61	70	8	3	6	150	672	1316	2535	10	97	819	3	6	174	5	46	382	333
25	198	247	37	5	22	543	4505	4908	11505	9	95	1035	15	22	656	20	187	1855	937
26	32569	30756	17674	2178	5079	125113	588650	423242	1377250	12	51	1056	919	985	40503	902	11801	101498	84966
27	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	194	43	.....	237	.....	08	.....	3	1	25	4	18	381	21
28	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	167	.....	.....	167	.....	14	.....	2	.....	.....	63	63	1269	.....
29	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	4	1	.....	52	.....	1364	.....
30	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	361	43	.....	404	.....	12	.....	9	2	25	119	81	3014	21
31	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	9953	5692	964	16609	3	10	.....	5	3	.....	127	.....	6849	581
32	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	10314	5735	964	17013	1	81	.....	14	5	25	246	81	9863	602
33	32569	30756	17674	2178	5079	135427	594385	424206	1394263	.....	.....	.....	933	990	40528	1148	11882	111361	85568

3. SYNODICAL

SYNODS.	Presbyteries. Pastors.	Without Charge.	Total Ministers.	Licentiates.	Students.	Congregations.	Pastoral Charges.	Mission Stations.	Elders.	Communicants.	Incr'se.		Deer'se.		Bapt'ms.		CONTRIBUT'NS.	
											Profession.	Certificate.	Deaths.	Removals.	Infant.	Adult.	Foreign Missions.	Home Missions.
New York.....	9 93	22	115 4	7 109	108	3	471	18299	1203 651	300 1465	623 220	11785	9586	1				
Pittsburgh.....	7 101	30	131 15	9 157	127	6	656	22158	1326 1164	326 1401	729 215	19513	18365	2				
First West.....	6 85	31	116 14	22 133	107	6	628	21249	1309 936	285 1398	675 220	20654	17808	3				
Ohio.....	5 52	23	81 8	7 98	75	4	417	10304	577 416	187 725	287 94	6947	6971	4				
Second.....	8 50	27	77 9	12 90	70	1	375	9333	538 307	132 692	237 205	5133	4915	5				
Illinois.....	6 59	28	87 6	10 81	73	2	351	9922	821 431	138 666	323 204	6274	5540	6				
Iowa.....	6 61	35	96 3	12 95	86	1	355	9567	679 517	114 816	258 181	5491	4735	7				
Kansas.....	5 28	16	44 2	4 58	42	2	211	4329	248 338	44 524	118 49	1516	1479	8				
Nebraska.....	4 27	13	40 1	4 40	34	2	132	3683	176 296	34 398	113 53	1365	1591	9				
California.....	2 14	11	25 1	...	17	3	61	1608	91 111	18 181	61 25	609	672	10				
Columbia.....	3 13	5	18 ...	...	14	2	45	1166	49 71	14 141	31 17	347	693	11				
Total for America.....	61 589	241	830 63	84 892	752	24	3702	111618	6917 5238	1592 8407	3455 1483	79634	75355	12				
Punjab.....	3 12	13	25 3	8 19	17 129	61	6568	321 206	42 404	226 306	.....	.....	.....	13				
Pres. of Egypt.....	1 23	17	40 22	9 39	32 158	.....	5355	573 147	97 272	561	.....	.....	.....	14				
Missionary Total.....	4 35	30	65 25	17 58	49 287	61	11923	894 453	139 676	787 306	.....	.....	.....	15				
GRAND TOTAL.....	65 624	271	895 88	101 950	801 311	3763	123541	7811 5691	1731 9083	4242 1789	79634	72355	16					

4. GENERAL SUMMARIES

SYNODS.	Presbyteries. Pastors.	Without Charge.	Total Ministers.	Licentiates.	Students.	Congregations.	Pastoral Charges.	Mission Stations.	Elders.	Communicants.	Incr'se.		Deer'se.		Bapt'ms.		CONTRIBUT'NS.	
											Profession.	Certificate.	Deaths.	Removals.	Infant.	Adult.	Foreign Missions.	Home Missions.
1859.....	42 306	102	408 56	634	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	55547 4189	1656	2650	3458	294	8574	9682	1	
1860.....	43 334	113	447 51	35 674	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	57781 3778	3040	3819	4340	373	17284	11345	2	
1865.....	49 384	132	516 50	46 659	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	58662 2739	2953	4449	3547	283	42604	19517	3	
1870.....	56 398	155	553 36	55 729	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	69807 4182	3935	4860	3947	551	40079	25999	4	
1875.....	56 436	175	611 71	61 775	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	70663 4103	3467	5833	3961	500	45562	29117	5	
1880.....	59 504	180	684 50	66 813	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	82119 4009	3807	6489	3818	558	41043	34791	6	
1885.....	60 519	218	737 50	41 868	670 125	3413	8887	5185	4406	8357	3685	1187	53635	35399	7			
1890.....	59 527	247	774 60	71 904	724 151	2439	10392	7025	5915	10877	4528	2056	74636	49220	8			
1891.....	59 631	251	782 56	73 902	717 170	3578	106385	7482	5011	10029	4054	1713	77217	53577	9			
1892.....	60 542	254	796 62	93 920	758 169	3619	109018	6975	5955	1618	8679	4149	1661	83531	66652	10		
1893.....	62 566	240	806 81	66 935	759 207	3702	111119	7174	5912	1919	9066	3911	1508	88046	62389	11		
1894.....	64 576	257	833 77	70 939	776 148	3709	115272	8249	6170	1680	8586	4218	1861	81675	63073	12		
1895.....	64 584	280	864 75	96 945	790 341	3736	117706	8957	5857	1925	10455	4042	2009	84731	61703	13		
1896.....	65 611	264	875 75	115 948	801 38	3771	120853	8023	6310	1614	9572	4298	2472	82703	66603	14		
1897.....	65 624	271	895 88	101 950	801 311	3763	123541	7811 5691	1731 9083	4242 1789	79634	72355	15					

SUMMARY.

CONTRIBUTIONS.—CONTINUED.														Y. Peop'l's Societies.			SABBATH SCHOOLS.		
Freedmen's Missions.	Church Extension.	Education.	Assembly's Fund.	Ministerial Relief.	General Contribut' s.	Salary by Congregat' n.	Congregat' l Purposes.	Total Amount.	Average per Member.	Average Salary of Pastors.	Number of Miss'y Societies.	Y. Peop'l's Societies.		Number of Schools.	Officers and Teachers.	Number of Scholars.	Contributions.		
												Number.	Membership.						
1	4096	3824	1235	340	787	19472	109260	70765	231150	14	95	1103	94	142	6176	109	1767	15506	17091
2	8325	7090	2711	416	1136	22097	122830	95706	298189	13	71	1200	189	161	7819	152	2129	18578	17562
3	8517	8661	8507	537	1409	39613	104017	90556	300279	14	29	1153	155	141	6742	136	2005	17226	15967
4	3071	2710	1001	173	452	8550	48194	21624	99693	9	73	847	94	99	4170	95	1106	9066	6702
5	2217	1786	954	250	360	5874	45053	24550	91092	10	07	976	81	92	2824	87	1053	8780	5206
6	2326	3197	1940	142	374	14799	52243	42615	129450	13	34	975	84	92	3886	86	1160	10014	8204
7	2350	1698	760	191	288	7854	51280	27838	102485	10	74	830	108	102	3769	97	1069	9265	5659
8	521	473	244	44	82	2216	21125	10694	38394	9	00	875	46	57	1882	57	663	5198	2779
9	671	670	211	68	127	2740	20784	22434	50661	13	89	1054	33	50	1822	41	461	4353	3045
10	277	400	74	12	42	1355	9359	11552	24352	15	14	1073	20	27	737	22	201	1637	1814
11	198	247	37	5	22	543	4505	4908	11505	9	95	1035	15	22	656	20	187	1855	937
12	32569	30756	17674	2178	5079	125113	588650	423242	1377250	12	51	1056	919	985	40503	902	11801	101498	84966
13	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	361	43	.....	404	.....	.....	.....	9	2	25	119	81	3014	21
14	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	9553	5692	964	16609	3	10	.....	5	3	.....	127	.....	6849	81
15	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	10314	5735	964	17013	1	81	.....	14	5	25	246	81	9863	602
16	32569	30756	17674	2178	5079	135427	594385	424206	1394263	12	51	1056	933	990	40528	1148	11882	111361	85568

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CONTRIBUTIONS.—CONTINUED.														Y. Peop'l's Societies.			SABBATH SCHOOLS.				
Freedmen's Missions.	Church Extension.	Education.	Publication.	Assembly's Fund.	Ministerial Relief.	General Contribut' s.	Salary by Congregat' n.	Congregat' l Purposes.	Total Amount.	Average per Member.	Average Salary of Pastors.	Number of Miss'y Societies.	Y. Peop'l's Societies.		Number of Schools.	Officers and Teachers.	Number of Scholars.	Contributions.			
													Number.	Membership.							
1	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	5732	.....	.....	22980	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....		
2	.....	2301	1300	1392	736	.....	59391	159401	.....	.....	253150	4	31	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....		
3	.....	11803	1774	2375	685	.....	179590	343777	.....	.....	504616	8	61	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....		
4	10066	14806	6080	2089	1605	1305	76176	384816	264153	81	2553	11	64	787	.....	578	6820	43227	16269		
5	5158	12607	8685	1975	1313	1314	62413	451695	255525	87	2258	12	31	1012	.....	636	6311	53232	24234		
6	8661	13757	13984	1470	1499	2084	44175	439933	224497	82	6794	10	43	896	.....	760	8327	73126	28660		
7	17046	16216	5791	689	1775	3377	46924	477098	264977	95	5248	11	58	925	.....	826	8845	78086	44740		
8	26135	28265	14084	273	1685	5240	68710	507394	358581	113	4223	12	34	998	827	1010	10260	92580	67555		
9	28851	27497	16097	195	2309	5759	65738	521280	347467	114	587	12	13	1013	844	1027	10408	93843	71403		
10	30984	36157	41136	.....	2449	6114	74175	543400	401690	126	6288	13	38	1025	836	1090	11415	98859	70058		
11	35057	33669	62131	.....	3332	6202	108694	563020	437550	140	6090	14	07	1039	861	1116	11156	96989	79677		
12	36528	31356	19697	.....	3361	6097	97086	569086	598105	150	6064	14	63	1026	853	1116	11744	103600	80617		
13	31851	29374	43105	.....	3232	5516	127258	582999	432046	138	8815	13	04	1048	885	1127	11616	107543	84910		
14	32783	48921	17211	.....	2704	5071	112736	586948	473048	141	8098	13	13	1054	921	805	35146	.....	.....		
15	32569	30756	17674	.....	2178	5079	135427	594385	424206	1394	263	12	51	1056	933	990	40528	1148	11882	111361	85568

## 5. Summary of Miscellaneous Statistics.

	SYNODS.													Grand Total.		
	New York	Pittsburgh.	First West.	Ohio.	Second.	Illinois.	Iowa.	Kansas.	Nebraska.	California.	Columbia.	Total for America.	Punjab.		Presbytery of Egypt.	Missionary Total.
Ministers Deceased	4	1	4			1	3	2	1	2	1	17	1	1	2	19
“ Ordained	4	5	8	2	3	1	3	1	4	4	1	31				31
“ Installed	10	9	12	6	9	7	10	5	5	1	4	78				78
“ Released	11	10	7	5	10	9	11	4	3	1	1	71				71
“ Received from other Churches.	4	1	1		1		3					10				10
“ Dismissed to other Churches	1		1				1		1	1		4				4
Licentiate	4	15	14	8	9	6	3	1	1	1		64	3	22	25	88
Licensures during the year	3	7	13	7	7	6	4	2	1	1		50	2	3	5	55
Students not licensed	9	9	12	7	12	10	12	4	1			84	8	9	17	101
Congregations Organized	2	2	1	2	1	1						9	2	2	4	13
“ Rec'd from other churches																
“ Dissolved or Dismissed				2	2		2	1	2			9				9
“ with Pastor or Stated																
“ Supply	94	119	107	74	54	63	67	30	32	16	12	668	14	27	41	709
“ Vacant	15	38	26	24	36	18	28	28	2	1	2	224	5	2	17	241
Total Congregations	109	157	133	98	90	81	95	58	40	17	14	892	19	39	58	950
“ Pastoral Charges	108	127	107	75	70	73	86	42	34	16	14	752	17	32	49	801
Unorganized Mission Stations	3	2	6		1	2	1	2	2	3	2	24	129	158	287	311
Mission Stations established during the year	1	1	2		1				1			7	1	7	8	15
Congregations having a House of Worship	106	156	131	97	85	77	92	52	36	15	13	860	12	37	49	909
Congregations having no House of Worship	3	1	2	1	5	4	3	6	4	2	1	32	7	2	9	41
Congregations having a parsonage	45	38	17	21	34	37	47	10	15	5	8	277	7	27	34	311
Houses of Worship erected during the year	1	2	3	3		3	2	2		1	1	18				18
Total cost of Houses erected	\$7600	11700	41438	8068		26600	23000	1200		8250	350	128206				128206
Parsonages built during the year		1	1		1	2	3	4	1		1	14				14
Total cost of Parsonages built		900	1100		825	1985	4250	3500	1500		650	14710				14710
Missionary Societies	94	189	155	94	81	84	108	46	33	20	15	919	9	5	14	933
Young People's Societies	142	161	141	99	92	92	102	57	50	27	22	985	3	3	5	990
Sabbath Schools open all the year	109	137	135	94	86	83	95	56	40	22	19	876	119	124	243	1119
“ “ open part of the year		15	1	1	1	3	2	1	1	1	1	26		3	3	29
Total number of Sabbath Schools	109	152	136	95	87	86	97	57	41	22	20	902	119	127	246	1148

## 6. Membership Percentages.

The following table gives the percentages of the admissions by profession of faith and certificate; of the decrease by death and removals; of the net gain; and also, of the adult baptisms to the number received on profession of faith, for the Church in America, as shown by the Synodical Summary :

Synods.	Profession.	Certificate.	Deaths.	Removals.	Net gain.	Adult Baptisms.
New York,	6.6	3.6	1.6	8.0	0.6	12.3
Pittsburgh,	6.1	5.4	1.5	6.5	3.5	16.2
First West,	6.3	4.5	1.3	6.7	2.8	16.8
Ohio,	5.6	4.1	1.8	7.1	0.8	22.6
Second,	5.7	3.3	1.4	7.4	0.2	38.1
Illinois,	8.7	4.5	1.4	7.0	4.8	24.8
Iowa,	6.2	5.5	1.2	8.6	1.9	31.2
Kansas,	5.7	7.8	1.0	10.9	0.4	19.7
Nebraska,	4.8	8.1	0.9	13.7	1.1	30.1
California,	5.7	6.9	1.1	11.3	0.2	27.4
Columbia,	4.1	5.9	1.1	11.2	2.9 dec.	34.3
The Whole Church,	6.3	4.8	1.4	7.7	2.0	21.5

**7. Number of Congregations in America Contributing to the Funds of the Church.**

PRESBYTERIES AND SYNODS.	Total Congregations.	CONGREGATIONS CONTRIBUTING TO												
		Foreign Missions.	Home Missions.	Freedmen's Missions.	Church Extension.	Education.	Assembly's Fund.	Ministerial Relief.	All the Funds.	None.	Not Reporting.	Membership of not reporting.		
Albany	7	7	7	6	7	5	5	5	5					
Argyle	12	12	12	12	12	12	12	12	12					
Boston	14	9	11	7	10	4	4	4	4			3		
Caledonia	13	11	12	11	9	5	8	7	5					
Delaware	19	15	16	11	11	7	9	10	7				2	69
New York	12	18	20	17	17	11	10	11	6					
Philadelphia	19	16	17	15	14	13	11	13	5	1	1			7
Stamford	4	4	4	3	3	1	1	1	1					
Vermont	3	3	3	3	3	2	2	2	2					
<b>Synod of New York.</b>	<b>109</b>	<b>95</b>	<b>102</b>	<b>85</b>	<b>58</b>	<b>60</b>	<b>62</b>	<b>66</b>	<b>46</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>3</b>			<b>76</b>
Big Spring	10	10	10	9	9	9	6	9	6					
Brookville	17	16	14	12	13	8	3	7	3	1				
Chartiers	20	19	19	19	18	17	17	18	16				1	26
Conemaugh	22	18	17	17	15	13	11	11	6	4	4			132
Frankfort	16	16	16	15	13	9	9						1	114
Monongahela	37	35	36	35	33	24	25	28	24		1			
Westmoreland	35	30	30	27	28	22	18	22	19				3	214
<b>Synod of Pittsburgh.</b>	<b>157</b>	<b>144</b>	<b>142</b>	<b>134</b>	<b>129</b>	<b>102</b>	<b>89</b>	<b>95</b>	<b>74</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>9</b>			<b>486</b>
Allegheny	29	25	25	26	26	23	23	23	22	1	1			144
Beaver Valley	24	22	21	21	21	15	16	17	12	2	2			
Butler	32	29	29	29	28	22	23	26	20	1	2			118
Cleveland	9	9	9	8	9	3	2	3	2					
Lake	25	19	19	19	19	8	11	8	6	1	1			38
Mercer	14	13	13	11	10	10	6	9	6	1				
<b>First Synod of the West.</b>	<b>133</b>	<b>117</b>	<b>116</b>	<b>114</b>	<b>113</b>	<b>81</b>	<b>81</b>	<b>86</b>	<b>64</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>4</b>			<b>300</b>
Detroit	14	9	12	8	8	5	5	6	4	2	1			18
Mansfield	14	11	11	10	9	5	4	4	4	1	2			79
Muskingum	28	27	27	25	22	14	14	13	19	1				
Steubenville	21	20	20	20	15	15	15	17	11					
Wheeling	21	19	19	17	17	14	15	17	11				1	28
<b>Synod of Ohio.</b>	<b>98</b>	<b>86</b>	<b>89</b>	<b>80</b>	<b>71</b>	<b>53</b>	<b>53</b>	<b>57</b>	<b>49</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>4</b>			<b>125</b>
Chillicothe	6	4	4	4	4	3	2	4	1	2				
Indiana	11	10	11	10	10	9	5	7	5					
Indiana, Northern	11	9	8	8	7	3	4	5	2	1	1			10
Ohio, First	13	12	11	10	7	7	7	6	4	1				
Princeton	9	4	4	3	3	1	1	2			5			109
Sidney	12	11	11	10	8	5	5	7	3	1	3			108
Tennessee	7	6	6	5	4	4	4	4	4					
Xenia	15	15	14	12	16	10	8	11	7					
<b>Second Synod.</b>	<b>90</b>	<b>71</b>	<b>69</b>	<b>62</b>	<b>56</b>	<b>42</b>	<b>36</b>	<b>46</b>	<b>26</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>6</b>			<b>227</b>
Chicago	14	13	12	12	12	9	5	9	5				1	40
Illinois, Central	8	7	7	6	6	6	4	6	4					160
Illinois, Southern	23	20	22	17	17	14	13	16	11				1	20
Monmouth	18	16	16	15	15	13	10	12	10		2			
Rock Island	11	10	10	8	9	8	4	6	3					
Wisconsin	7	6	6	6	4	4	2	3	2	1				
<b>Synod of Illinois.</b>	<b>81</b>	<b>72</b>	<b>73</b>	<b>64</b>	<b>63</b>	<b>54</b>	<b>38</b>	<b>52</b>	<b>35</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>3</b>			<b>220</b>
Cedar Rapids	11	10	10	9	8	7	6	7	6				1	8
College Springs	26	23	24	21	18	15	13	10	10		2			
Des Moines	28	23	25	21	19	15	9	10	5	4	1			20
Iowa, Northwestern	6	6	6	4	5	1	1	2	1					
Keokuk	16	16	16	14	13	9	8	9	6					
Le Claire	8	8	8	8	7	5	5	5	5					
<b>Synod of Iowa.</b>	<b>95</b>	<b>86</b>	<b>89</b>	<b>77</b>	<b>70</b>	<b>52</b>	<b>42</b>	<b>43</b>	<b>33</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>2</b>			<b>28</b>
Arkansas Valley	15	13	14	11	10	9	4	7	6	1				
Concordia	9	7	8	4	4	4	4	4						
Garnett	15	11	11	10	8	7	6	7	5	4	3			65
Kansas City	12	12	12	10	7	6	3	4	2					
Pittsburg	7	6	5	4	4	2	1	2	1					
<b>Synod of Kansas.</b>	<b>58</b>	<b>49</b>	<b>50</b>	<b>39</b>	<b>34</b>	<b>28</b>	<b>18</b>	<b>24</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>3</b>			<b>65</b>
Colorado	7	7	7	6	7	6	5	6	3					
North Platte	2	2	2	1	2	1	1	1	1					
Omaha	12	11	11	11	10	9	5	4	11	1	1			15
Pawnee	19	13	15	11	15	7	5	8	5	1	3			38
<b>Synod of Nebraska.</b>	<b>40</b>	<b>33</b>	<b>35</b>	<b>20</b>	<b>34</b>	<b>23</b>	<b>16</b>	<b>19</b>	<b>20</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>4</b>			<b>53</b>
Los Angeles	7	7	6	5	6	4	4	4	4					
San Francisco	10	10	10	10	10	5	4	4	3					
<b>Synod of California.</b>	<b>17</b>	<b>17</b>	<b>16</b>	<b>15</b>	<b>16</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>7</b>					
Oregon	7	7	7	4	5	3	1	2	1					
Puget Sound	3	2	3	2	2	2	1	1	1					
Spokane	4	4	4	3	3	1	1	2	1					
<b>Synod of the Columbia.</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>3</b>					
<b>TOTAL FOR AMERICA</b>	<b>592</b>	<b>783</b>	<b>795</b>	<b>708</b>	<b>687</b>	<b>510</b>	<b>446</b>	<b>501</b>	<b>371</b>	<b>46</b>	<b>38</b>			<b>1580</b>

## 8. GENERAL STATEMENT.

	1896.	1897.	MEMBERSHIP.	
Synods.....	12	12	In America:	
Presbyteries.....	65	65		
MINISTERS AND ELDERS.			1896.	1897.
Pastors and Stated			Members received	
Supplies.....	611	624	on profession.....	6,787 6,917
Without Charge.....	264	271	Members received	
Total Ministers.....	875	895	on certificate.....	5,449 5,238
Ministers deceased...	18	19	Deaths.....	1,614 1,592
Ministers received ...	3	10	Removals.....	8,556 8,407
Ministers dismissed...	2	4	Members in America.	109,462 111,618
Ministers ordained....	36	31	Infants baptized.....	3,401 3,455
Ministers installed....	89	78	Adults baptized.....	1,547 1,483
Ministers released....	71	71	In the whole Church:	
Licentiates.....	75	88	Members received on	
Licensures.....	35	55	profession.....	8,023 7,811
Students of Theology	115	101	Members received on	
Ruling Elders.....	3,771	3,763	certificate.....	6,310 5,691
CONGREGATIONS.			Deaths.....	1,614 1,731
Congregations with			Removals.....	9,572 9,083
Pastors and Stated			Total Members.....	120,853 123,541
Supplies.....	696	709	Infants baptized.....	4,292 4,242
Congregations Va-			Adults baptized.....	2,072 1,789
cant.....	252	241	SABBATH SCHOOLS.	
Total congrega-			Schools open the	
tions.....	948	950	whole year.....	1,091 1,119
Pastoral Charges.....	801	801	Schools open part of	
Congregations or-			the year.....	32 29
ganized.....	17	13	Total Schools.....	1,123 1,148
Congregations dis-			Officers and Teach-	
solved.....	13	9	ers.....	11,616 11,882
Mission Stations.....	385	311	Number of Scholars..	107,543 111,361
New Stations during			Contributions.....	\$ 84,910 \$ 85,568
the year.....	32	15	MISSIONARY SOCIETIES.	
Houses of Worship			Congregational So-	921 933
erected.....	25	18	cieties.....	
Total cost of houses			YOUNG PEOPLE'S SOCIETIES.	
erected.....	\$233,004	\$128,206	Number of Societies..	805 990
Average cost.....	\$ 9,324	\$ 7,123	Members.....	35,146 40,528
Congregations hav-				
ing no house.....	39	41		
Parsonages.....	293	311		
Parsonages erected				
during the year....	15	14		
Total cost of Parson-				
ages.....	\$ 26,737	\$ 14,710		
Average cost.....	\$ 1,781	\$ 1,051		



CONTRIBUTIONS.			CONTRIBUTORS.		
(Including contributions of Sabbath Schools and Missionary Societies.)			In America.		
In America :				1896.	1897.
	1906.	1897.			
For salaries of Ministers.....\$	586,948	\$588,650	Largest number of congregations contributing to any one fund.....	772	795
For Congregational purposes .....	473,048	423,242	Congregations contributing to all the funds.....	386	371
For the Boards.....	255,366	240,245	Congregations not contributing to any of the funds	56	47
For general purposes.....	102,736	125,113	Congregations not reporting.....	38	38
Total for America..	1,404,090	1,377,250	Membership of congregations not reporting .....	1,968	1,580
Total for the Church .....	1,418,098	1,394,263			
Average per member in America..	13.13	12.51			
Average salary of Pastors in America	1,054	1,056			

NOTE.—The average per member is for the churches in America. Also the membership of congregations not reporting is deducted in the computation.

## II. ECCLESIASTICAL RECORD.

### I. MINISTERS DECEASED.

Name and Presbytery.	Place and Date of Birth.	Place and Date of Death.	College.	Seminary.	Licensed.	Ordained.
JAMES BROWN, D. D. Kansas City, W. C.	Ayrth, Scotland. October 31, 1812.	Horton, Kan. March 16, 1897.	Hanover..... 1835.	Canonshurg 1839.	June 26, 1839. Indiana, A.	September 10, 1840. Charlert.
JAMES LAW BURL. Los Angeles, W. C.	Masses Creek, O. May 12, 1815.	Los Angeles, Cal. January 28, 1897.	Miami Univer. 1842.	Canonshurg 1846.	July 1, 1846. Miami.	July 8, 1846. Miami.
JOHN CLEMENT. Gunnaspur, W. C.	Agra, India. Princeton, N. Y. July 7, 1822.	Gujral, India. August 10, 1896.	Trinity School, Shal'kot. Union, N. Y.	Shal'kot.	.....	April 23, 1866. Shal'kot.
DAVID DONNAN. Lake, W. C.	Princeton, N. Y. July 7, 1822.	Cochranon, Pa. December 30, 1896.	Westminster. 1843.	Canonshurg 1850.	June 20, 1850. Albany.	June 26, 1850. Albany.
ALEXANDER H. ELDER. Cleveland, Pastor.	Pleasant Unity, Pa. November 12, 1853.	Cleveland, O. February 19, 1897.	Westminster. 1859.	Allegheny 1863.	April 9, 1862. Westmoreland.	July 7, 1863. Westmoreland.
JAMES M. FULTON, D. D. Allegheny, W. C.	Key, O. August 31, 1849.	Key, O. November 24, 1896.	Westminster. 1872.	Allegheny 1877.	May 3, 1876. Lake.	May 1, 1877. Allegheny.
QUINCY A. HAKILL. Conemaugh, Pastor.	White Tp., Ind. Co., Pa. November 21, 1864.	White Tp., Ind. Co., Pa. October 3, 1896.	Westminster. 1892.	Allegheny 1895.	April 11, 1894. Conemaugh.	June 26, 1895. Allegheny.
ANDREW McCARTNEY. Des Moines, W. C.	Co. Antrim, Ireland. August 25, 1827.	Indianola, Iowa February 14, 1897.	Franklin 1852.	Canonshurg 1857.	June 17, 1857. Muskingum.	December 2, 1858. Conemaugh.
JOSEPH McKEE. Los Angeles, W. C.	Mt. Pleasant, O. November 27, 1811.	Los Angeles, Cal. April 11, 1896.	Franklin 1852.	Canonshurg 1836.	June —, 1836. Muskingum.	September —, 1837. Muskingum.
JAMES T. McKEIGHT. Pittsburg, W. C.	Cochranon, Pa. September 24, 1826.	Cheleopa, Kan. January 15, 1897.	Allegheny, Pa. 1850.	Allegheny 1853.	May 19, 1852. Lake.	June 10, 1856. 24 Illinois.
NELI K. McLENSAN. Boston, Pastor.	Middle River, N. S. 1830.	Concord, Mass. June 25, 1896.	Queens, Out Ca. Asylt.	Auburn, N. Y.	April 18, 1895. (ayuga (Presb.)	July 30, 1895. Boston.
ISKAROS MASOOD. Egypt, Pastor.	Shill Saleen, Egypt 1848.	Almpt, Egypt. July 28, 1896.	Madison, O. 1859.	Allegheny 1863.	March 26, 1875. Egypt.	October 17, 1879. Egypt.
THOMAS F. PATERSON. Monmouth, W. C.	New Concord, O. April 1, 1832.	Monmouth, Ill. February 21, 1897.	Franklin. 1846.	Canonshurg 1850.	April 15, 1862. Muskingum.	October 28, 1864. Monmouth.
JOHN T. TATE. Keokuk, W. C.	Xenia, O. November 9, 1830.	Washington, Iowa. June 13, 1896.	Franklin 1846.	Canonshurg 1850.	June 18, 1850. Miami.	September 15, 1853. Iowa.
JAMES L. THOMPSON, D. D. Caledonia, W. C.	Smithfield, O. July 26, 1831.	Hephards, Cal. May 16, 1896.	Franklin 1874.	Xenia, Allegheny and Newburg.	April 11, 1877. seventyville.	June 11, 1878. Boston.
GEORGE WATT TOREENCE. Des Moines, W. C.	Xenia, O. January 13, 1829.	Windsor, Iowa. December 27, 1896.	Franklin 1833.	Xenia 1837.	August —, 1837. Miami.	June 16, 1839. Kansas.
JOHN DEWENT WHITMAN. Pugee Sound, W. C.	Ohio Co., W. Va. March 22, 1816.	Olympia, Wash. January 14, 1897.	Washington 1835.	Canonshurg 1852.	May 25, 1840. Phila. (O. S. Pres.)	October 12, 1841. Phila. (O. S. Pres.)
JAMES B. WHITTEN. Beaver Valley, W. C.	Pittsburgh, Pa. June 18, 1831.	Wurtzburg, Pa. April 8, 1896.	Washington 1830.	Canonshurg 1852.	November 3, 1852. Allegheny, A.	October 26, 1854. Charlert.
ISAAC A. WILSON. Onchar, W. C.—19.	Concord, Pa. February, 1832.	Kearney, Neb. February 5, 1897.	Franklin 1838.	Allegheny 1863.	April 8, 1862. Wheeling.	July 5, 1866. Mansfield.

Total number deceased, 19.  
Percent. of ministers of 1836, 2.17.

Longest life, 84 years, 5 months, 14 days.  
Shortest life, 31 years, 10 months, 12 days.  
Average life, 64 years, 1 month, 19 days.

Longest ministry, 60 years, 9 months, 29 days.  
Shortest ministry, 1 year, 3 months, 7 days.  
Average ministry, 35 years, 9 months, 4 days.

## 2. MINISTERS ORDAINED.

NAME.	DATE.	PRESBYTERY.
Berry, W. D.	September 15, 1896.	Allegheny.
Brown, G. A.	July 7, 1896.	Lake.
Crowe, Osborne	June 30, 1896.	Boston.
Curry, W. M.	December 21, 1896.	Lake.
Davidson, W. C.	December 1, 1896.	Pawnee.
Du Bois, S. E.	June 23, 1896.	Pawnee.
Eakin, M. A.	June 23, 1896.	Butler.
Espy, H. P.	June 30, 1896.	Omaha.
Ferguson, Huber	July 21, 1896.	Caledonia.
Filer, C. M.	September 2, 1896.	Northern Indiana.
Findley, Frank D.	June 30, 1896.	Sidney.
Gibson, W. Henry	December 1, 1896.	College Springs.
Giffen, J. W.	July 7, 1896.	Monongahela.
Gordon, Jas. A.	January 12, 1897.	Delaware.
Hanna, T. H., Jr.	May 12, 1896.	Steubenville.
Houston, James Gerald	June 24, 1896.	Beaver Valley.
McClure, H. J.	June 23, 1896.	Southern Illinois.
McClure, R. Reed	September 15, 1896.	Allegheny.
Marshall, J. C.	April 14, 1897.	Pawnee.
Paul, A. R.	August 3, 1896.	Cedar Rapids.
Reed, W. H.	June 9, 1896.	Frankfort.
Reid, W. J., Jr.	June 23, 1896.	Butler.
Rose, Thomas Lawrence	December 22, 1896.	Beaver Valley.
Sawhill, W. R.	September 9, 1896.	Le Claire.
Springer, James E.	September 8, 1896.	Mansfield.
Stunkard, Charles	December 15, 1896.	Westmoreland.
Telford, M. D.	September 8, 1896.	Sidney.
Webster, J. G. C.	April 6, 1897.	Philadelphia.
Wilson, F. W.	June 17, 1896.	Garnett.
Yost, Robert	June 2, 1896.	Westmoreland.
Young, R. S.—31	September 22, 1896.	Monongahela.

## 3. MINISTERS INSTALLED.

NAME.	DATE.	CONGREGATION.	PRESBYTERY.
Barr, W. B.	September 4, 1896.	Middletown	First Ohio.
Berry, D. W.	September 15, 1896.	Mars	Allegheny.
Brown, G. A.	July 7, 1896.	North Shenango	Lake.
Buchanan, W. J.	September 28, 1896.	Neil Ave., Colbus	Xenia.
Campbell, J. O., D. D.	June 9, 1896.	Wooster	Mansfield.
Cleland, E. E.	July 27, 1896.	Lebanon, ½	Muskingum.
Curry, W. M.	December 21, 1896.	Linesville	Lake.
Davidson, R. J., D.D.	July 8, 1896.	Dexter	Des Moines.
Davidson, W. C.	{ December 1, 1896.	Benkelman	} Pawnee.
	{ December 2, 1896.	Parks	
Davis, Jas. P.	June 26, 1896.	Ainsworth	Keokuk.
Dight, J. M.	June 12, 1896.	Zelienople	Butler.
Dornan, W. W.	February 4, 1897.	Quincy	Boston.
Du Bois, S. E.	June 23, 1896.	Superior	Pawnee.
Dunn, Major E.	December 15, 1896.	Duffsville, ¼	Westmoreland.
Eakin, M. A.	June 9, 1896.	Freeport and Mt. Chestnut	Butler.
Ferguson, Huber	July 21, 1896.	Caledonia	Caledonia.
Berguson, John	November 19, 1896.	Newton and Palo Alto	Des Moines.
Filer, C. M.	September 2, 1896.	Salem	North Indiana.
Findley, F. D.	June 30, 1896.	Huntsville, 2-3 Northwood, 1-3	Sidney.
Flick, Albert	July 28, 1896.	33d St., Pgh.	Monongahela.
Gibson, W. Henry	December 1, 1896.	Greenfield	College Springs.
Giffen, J. W.	July 7, 1896.	Gladden	Monongahela.
Gilchrist, Alex., D.D.	December 20, 1896.	Central Omaha	Omaha.
Gillespie, A. P.	September 15, 1896.	Evans City	Allegheny.
Gordon, Jas. A.	January 12, 1897.	Cabin Hill	Delaware.
Hanna, A. J.	June 24, 1896.	Minden	Pawnee.

NAME.	DATE.	CONGREGATION.	PRESBYTERY.
Hanna, T. H., Jr.	May 12, 1896.	Stenbenville	Staubenville.
Harsha, Robert B.	February 19, 1897.	Taylorstown	Chartiers.
Henderson, G. E.	July 25, 1896.	Willamette	Oregon.
Henry, Andrew	May 19, 1896.	1st Jersey City	New York.
Henry, J. L.	May 12, 1896.	Oxford	Philadelphia.
Hood, H. L.	September 29, 1896.	Shedd	Oregon.
Houston, Jas. Gerald	June 24, 1896.	Darlington	Beaver Valley.
Huston, E. H.	April 6, 1897.	Blue Mound	Garnett.
Jackson, J. B.	November 13, 1896.	Albia	Des Moines.
Johnston, S. Dell	May 14, 1897.	Reynoldton	Westmoreland.
Kirkpatrick, A. F.	April 16, 1897.	Tacoma	Puget Sound.
Lackey, R. E.	November 10, 1896.	Traer	Cedar Rapids.
Lawrence, C. M.	September 8, 1896.	Washburn	Central Illinois.
Leiper, W. R.	May 14, 1896.	Madison	Indiana.
Leiper, W. R.	April 7, 1897.	Piqua	Sidney.
Little, Riley	December 8, 1896.	6th Chicago	Chicago.
Lynn, J. C.	June 9, 1896.	San Jose	San Francisco.
McBride, R. B. A.	February 23, 1897.	Oskaloosa	Des Moines.
McClester, R. P.	August 17, 1896.	Clintonville and West Liberty	Butler.
McClure, H. J.	June 23, 1896.	Romine Prairie	South. Illinois.
McClymends, W. A.	October 27, 1896.	Clinton	Boston.
McDill, S. H.	November 10, 1896.	Hopewell	First Ohio.
McKay, D. G., D.D.	December 17, 1896.	Greenville	Lake.
MacLennan, A. K.	November 5, 1896.	Boston	Boston.
Madge, J. G.	June 22, 1896.	Carrollton	Staubenville.
Marshall, J. C.	April 14, 1897.	Liberty	Pawnee.
Montgomery, S. P.	June 5, 1896.	Mifflin, ½.	Monongahela.
Moore, S. A.	January 26, 1897.	Hoopeston	Central Illinois.
Orth, J. Carl.	August 4, 1896.	Walton	Arkansas Val'y.
Paul, A. R.	August 3, 1896.	Clarion	Cedar Rapids.
Pollock, M. M.	May 14, 1896.	South Henderson	Monmouth.
Reid, W. J., Jr.	June 23, 1896.	Kittanning	Butler.
Rose, Thos. Lawrence	December 22, 1896.	Centre	Beaver Valley.
Sawhill, W. R.	September 9, 1896.	Stanwood	Le Claire.
Scouller, J. C.	April 21, 1896.	4th Philadelphia	Philadelphia.
Shannon, Jno. A.	April 7, 1897.	Winfield	Keokuk.
Shaw, W. P.	November 17, 1896.	Buchanan Hill	Wheeling.
Simpson, P. E.	January 13, 1897.	Hampton and All- son Park	Allegheny.
Sleeth, D. M.	April 12, 1897.	Lyndon	Garnett.
Springer, James E.	September 8, 1896.	Savannah	Mansfield.
Stewart, E. B.	October 10, 1896.	3d Chicago	Chicago.
Stewart, Paul	April 7, 1896.	Spring Hill	Indiana.
Stewart, R. E.	January 20, 1897.	Albany	Albany.
Strong, C. H., D.D.	November 10, 1896.	Sterling	Arkansas Val'y.
Stunkard, Charles	December 31, 1896.	Murraysville and Beulah	Westmoreland.
Telford, M. D.	September 8, 1896.	Silver Creek	Sidney.
Wallace, H. F., D.D.	August 30, 1896.	Grand Ave., Port- land	Oregon.
Wilson, F. W.	June 17, 1896.	Americus, 2-3.	Garnett.
Wilson, J. B.	May 19, 1896.	1st Baltimore	Philadelphia.
Young, G. E.	January 26, 1897.	Piper City	Central Illinois.
Young, R. S.	September 22, 1896.	Homestead	Monongahela.
Yost, Robert—78.	June 21, 1896.	Wilmerding	Westmoreland.

## 4. MINISTERS RELEASED.

NAME.	DATE.	CONGREGATION.	PRESBYTERY.
Acheson, J. M.	March 28, 1897.	Winterset	Des Moines.
Acheson, R. H.	February 9, 1897.	Garnett	Garnett.
Anderson, David	April 7, 1896.	Beulah	Caledonia.
Andrew, J. H.	January 19, 1897.	1st Brooklyn	New York.
Black, Jas. E.	April 15, 1896.	Orchard, ½.	Omaha.
Breaden, J. H.	June 14, 1896.	Mt. Varnum, ½.	Butler.

NAME.	DATE.	CONGREGATION.	PRESBYTERY.
Buchanan, J. N.	September 2, 1896.	Hebron and Le Roy	North, Indiana.
Buchanan, W. J.	September 3, 1896.	3d Xenia	Xenia.
Calhoun, Joseph, D.D.	December 27, 1896.	Indianola	Des Moines.
Campbell, J. O., D.D.	May 5, 1896.	Lowell	Boston.
Davidson, R. J., D.D.	April 13, 1896.	North Henderson	Rock Island.
Dodds, James	September 8, 1896.	Kerr Ridge	Lake.
Duncan, A. P.	September 22, 1896.	Oakdale	Monongahela.
Ferguson, Neil	February 23, 1897.	2d Indiana	Conemaugh.
Ferguson, W. H.	December 15, 1896.	Uniontown	Wheeling.
Flick, A.	June 30, 1896.	Clinton	Boston.
Gordon, Albert	April 6, 1897.	Burlington	Keokuk.
Graham, J. D.	April 7, 1897.	Red Oak and Pleasant Lawn	College Springs.
Hawk, L. E.	June 30, 1896.	1st Omaha	Omaha.
Hutchman, J. H.	March 22, 1897.	Cochranston	Lake.
Irons, D. W.	June 23, 1896.	Barlow	Muskingum.
Jackson, H. T.	April 7, 1897.	Mt. Ayr	College Springs.
Jackson, J. B.	September 1, 1896.	Morning Sun	Keokuk.
Jamison, John	April 14, 1897.	Hopewell	Big Spring.
Jamieson, Thomas L.	April 6, 1897.	Fairfield	Westmoreland.
Johnston, W. F.	July 28, 1896.	Piper City	Central Illinois.
Kerr, J. W.	June 30, 1896.	Piqua	Sidney.
Knipe, J. N.	March 22, 1897.	Octoraro	Philadelphia.
Lackey, Ralph E.	June 8, 1896.	West Middletown	Chartiers.
Lawrence, C. M.	July 7, 1896.	Unity	Chillicothe.
Leiper, W. R.	April 6, 1897.	Madison	Indiana.
Little, Riley	October 1, 1896.	Albany	Oregon.
Long, W. C.	March 1, 1897.	Lisbon	Wisconsin.
Lorimer, S. W.	August 4, 1896.	Clearfield	College Springs.
McArthur, J. M.	March 31, 1897.	Stronghurst	Monmouth.
McBride, R. B. A.	December 22, 1896.	Neshannock and Oak Grove	Allegheny.
McConnell, J. M.	October 14, 1896.	Caledonia	Indiana.
McDill, N. C.	October 14, 1896.	Richland	Indiana.
McDill, S. H.	April 14, 1896.	Denison	Kansas City.
McKay, D. G.	October 14, 1896.	Shushan	Argyle.
McKee, W. R., D.D.	June 9, 1896.	Robinson	Frankfort.
McKelvey, Joseph	December 7, 1896.	Calcutta	Steubenville.
McKirahan, Wm.	August 23, 1896.	Oskaloosa	Des Moines.
McKnight, W. R.	March 30, 1897.	Wilton	Chicago.
McNary, D. L.	November 3, 1896.	Mumförl	Caledonia.
Marshall, Clark H.	April 6, 1897.	Turtle Creek	Westmoreland.
Miller, W. F.	May 19, 1896.	East Union	Allegheny.
Moore, S. B.	April 14, 1897.	Wilsonville	Pawnee.
Monks, W. A.	March 20, 1897.	Boyden	Northw'n Iowa.
Oldham, J. D.	September 15, 1896.	Bloomfield	Steubenville.
Orth, J. C.	April 14, 1896.	Carlock	Central Illinois.
Palmer, J. D.	April 14, 1897.	Crosswell	Detroit.
Pinkerton, J. L.	April 14, 1896.	Spring Creek	Central Illinois.
Pressley, Mason W.	December 14, 1896.	Hamilton	First Ohio.
Sharp, J. J.	September 14, 1896.	Morning Sun	First Ohio.
Shaw, John A.	April 20, 1897.	Newark	New York.
Simpson, P. E.	June 15, 1896.	Oak Grove	Allegheny.
Smeallie, A. M.	December 15, 1896.	North Kortright	Delaware.
Smith, D. P.	October 13, 1896.	Cross Creek and Paris	Frankfort.
Smith, T. F. B.	March 22, 1897.	Sandy	Lake.
Stewart, E. B.	August 27, 1896.	2d San Francisco	San Francisco.
Stewart, R. E.	December 8, 1896.	New Florence and West Fairfield	Conemaugh.
Strong, C. H., D.D.	November 9, 1896.	2d Sterling	Arkansas Val'y.
Thorne, Daniel M.	April 6, 1897.	Sewickley	Westmoreland.
Thompson, J. L., D.D.	April 7, 1896.	2d Buffalo	Caledonia.
Turner, H. B.	September 1, 1896.	Harrison	Keokuk.
Vincent, A. S., D.D.	September 8, 1896.	Paxton	Central Illinois.

NAME.	DATE.	CONGREGATION.	PRERBYTERY.
Warnock, R. L.....	January 19, 1897....	Thompsonville ..	New York.
Wilson, G. G.....	March 31, 1897....	Media .....	Monmouth.
Wiley, J. A.....	October 21, 1896....	Sugar Creek .....	Xenia.
Young, Geo. E.—71....	October 20, 1896....	Andrew .....	Le Claire.

## 5. ORGANIZATIONS.

NAME.	DATE.	PRESBYTERY.
Chicago, Seventh .....	August 12, 1896.....	Chicago.
Duffsville .....	September 28, 1896.....	Westmoreland.
Fairhill .....	June 16, 1896.....	Philadelphia.
Harper .....	March 26, 1897.....	Detroit.
Kimbolton .....	April 6, 1897.....	Muskingum.
Linesville .....	December 3, 1896.....	Lake.
Quincy .....	July 28, 1896.....	Boston.
Toledo .....	March 24, 1897.....	Sidney.
Verona, Second .....	August 19, 1896.....	Monongahela.
Sharonah .....	———, 1896.....	Egypt.
Feshu .....	———, 1896.....	Egypt.
Chinma .....	———, 1896.....	Gurdaspur.
Nadala—13.....	———, 1896.....	Gurdaspur.

## III. MINISTERS, LICENTIATES AND CONGREGATIONS.

## 1. ALPHABETICAL LIST OF MINISTERS.

Name and P. O. Address.	Presbytery.	Name and P. O. Address.	Presbytery
Abbey, Alexander S.....	Tennessee.	Anderson, T. C.....	Allegheny.
Cliff, Tenn.		Tarentum, Pa.	
Acheson, A. M.....	Monmouth.	Anderson, T. W., D.D....	New York.
Eleanor, Ill.		250 W. 34th st., New York, N. Y.	
Acheson, J. L.....	Steubenville.	Anderson, W. H.....	Cedar R'p'ds
Scio, O.		Garner, Iowa.	
Acheson, J. M.....	Des Moines.	Anderson, W. M.....	Philadelphia.
Winterset, Iowa.		1516 Smedley St., Philadelphia, Pa.	
Acheson, R. H.....	New York.	Anderson, W. T.....	Gurdaspur.
Pine Bush, N. Y.		Zafarwal, Punjab, India.	
Adair, John M.....	Big Spring.	Andrew, James H.....	New York.
Huntingdon, Pa.		500 Madison st., Brooklyn, N. Y.	
Adair, W. C.....	Big Spring.	Ashenurst, James O....	Egypt.
McCoysville, Pa.		Lucile, O.	
Adams, J. T.....	Brookville.	Ashton, A. F.....	First Ohio.
Brookville, Pa.		Hamilton, O.	
Aiken, A. S.....	Big Spring.	Ashwood, J. W.....	S. Illinois.
Airville, Pa.		3632 Forest Park Boulevard,	
Aiken, John T.....	Monongah'la.	St. Louis, Mo.	
Gayly, Pa.		Atchison, John M.....	Westmorel'd
Aiken, T. R.....	Muskingum.	Irwin, Pa.	
Antrim, O.		Atchison, Thos. C., D. D.	Monongah'la.
Alexander, James A....	Chartiers.	Carnegie, Pa.	
Washington, Pa.		Aten, J. L.....	Indiana.
Alexander, J. R., D. D...	Egypt.	Hamilton, O.	
Asyut, Egypt.		Atkinson, Ralph.....	Chicago.
Allen, A. J.....	Cedar R'p'ds	333 Eastwood ave., Sta. X, Chi-	
Cedar Rapids, Iowa.		cago, Ill.	
Alter, Joseph.....	S. Illinois.	Bailey, A. S.....	N. Indiana.
Preston, Ills.		Idaville, Ind.	
Anderson, A. R., D.D....	Chartiers.	Bailey, Edgar G.....	Wheeling.
Venice, Pa.		Martin's Ferry, O.	
Anderson, David.....	Caledonia.	Bailey, John A.....	Beaver V'y.
314 Swan St., Buffalo, N. Y.		Mt. Jackson, Pa.	

- Bailey, Samuel M. . . . . Caledonia.  
 337 Summer st., Buffalo, N. Y.  
 Baird, Phil. C. . . . . Chicago.  
 University of Chicago, Chicago, Ill.  
 Baldrige, Benjamin L. . . . . Los Angeles.  
 727 S. Broadway, Los Angeles, Cal.  
 Baldrige, Wilson R. . . . . Des Moines.  
 Des Moines, Iowa.  
 Ballantine, J. W. . . . . Keokuk.  
 Sialkot, India.  
 Balph, Thomas, D.D. . . . . Wheeling.  
 St. Clairsville, O.  
 Barackman, Samuel P. . . . . Steubenville.  
 Salineville, O.  
 Barclay, David, D.D. . . . . Monongah'la  
 Rodi, Pa.  
 Barnes, Robert H. . . . . Garnett.  
 Olathe, Kans.  
 Barr, J. D. . . . . Mercer.  
 New Wilmington, Pa.  
 Barr, James S., D.D. . . . . Gurdaspur.  
 Sialkot, Punjab, India.  
 Barr, R. H. . . . . Le Claire.  
 Elvira, Iowa.  
 Barr, William B. . . . . First Ohio.  
 Middletown, O.  
 Barr, W. M. . . . . Boston.  
 172 Cross st., Central Falls, R. I.  
 Barr, W. W., D.D. . . . . Philadelphia.  
 1425 Christian st., Philadelphia, Pa.  
 Bell, Henry J. . . . . Spokane.  
 Little York, Ills.  
 Bell, Hugh H. . . . . Monmouth.  
 Monmouth, Ill.  
 Berry, E. W. . . . . Allegheny.  
 Mars, Pa.  
 Best, J. W. . . . . Steubenville.  
 New Wilmington, Pa.  
 Biddle, Arney S. . . . . New York.  
 624 Montgom'ry st., Jersey City, N.J.  
 Birnley, John W. . . . . Beaver V'y.  
 Lowellville, O.  
 Black, A. M., D.D. . . . . Oregon.  
 Salem, Oregon.  
 Black, James E. . . . . Omaha.  
 Ewing, Neb.  
 Black, James Knox. . . . . Princeton.  
 Hoopston, Ill.  
 Black, John F. . . . . Chicago.  
 Zion, Ill.  
 Black, Samuel M. . . . . Allegheny.  
 New Wilmington, Pa.  
 Black, William A. . . . . Xenia.  
 Xenia, O.  
 Blair, D. H. . . . . College Spg's  
 College Springs, Iowa.  
 Boone, T. D. . . . . Conemaugh.  
 Saltsburg, Pa.  
 Boyard, G. W. . . . . Argyle.  
 North Argyle, N. Y.  
 Boyard, J. A. F. . . . . Lake.  
 Oil City, Pa.  
 Bower, John A. . . . . Mansfield.  
 Wooster, O.  
 Boyd, Hugh S. . . . . Wheeling.  
 Bellaire, O.  
 Boyd, John C., D.D. . . . . Monongah'la  
 Mt. Lebanon, Pa.  
 Boyd, Joseph. . . . . Des Moines.  
 Carlisle, Iowa.  
 Boyd, Robert H. . . . . N. Indiana.  
 Tipton, Ind.  
 Boyd, Thomas F. . . . . Sidney.  
 Quincy, O.  
 Bradford, J. E. . . . . Chillicothe.  
 Tranquility, O.  
 Brandon, James A. . . . . Allegheny.  
 Rural Ridge, Pa.  
 Breaden, Geo. W. . . . . Des Moines.  
 Indianola, Iowa.  
 Breaden, John H. . . . . Butler.  
 West Salbury, Pa.  
 Brittain, J. R., D.D. . . . . First Ohio.  
 Oxford, O.  
 Brocket, George F. . . . . College Sp'gs  
 Red Oak, Iowa.  
 Brockett, O. G. . . . . College Sp'gs  
 Tarkio, Mo.  
 Brown, George A. . . . . Lake.  
 Espyville Station, Pa.  
 Brown, John G., D.D. . . . . Monongah'la  
 40th st., Pittsburgh, Pa.  
 Brown, John H., D.D. . . . . College Sp'gs  
 Monmouth, Ill.  
 Brown, Mitchell M. . . . . Lake.  
 Monmouth, Ill.  
 Brown, Nathan H. . . . . Monmouth.  
 Olena, Ill.  
 Brown, Newton E. . . . . Lake.  
 Conneaut Lake, Pa.  
 Brown, Samuel. . . . . Brookville.  
 Willett, Pa.  
 Brown, William. . . . . San Fran'co.  
 Semitropic, Cal.  
 Browne, Robert Audley.  
 D. D. . . . . Beaver V'y.  
 155 Lincoln ave., New Castle, Pa.  
 Brownell, H. H. . . . . Keokuk.  
 Keota, Iowa.  
 Brownlee, A. E. . . . . Colorado.  
 Pueblo, Colo.  
 Brownlee, E. A. . . . . Cedar R'p'ds  
 Blue Earth City, Minn.  
 Brownlee, J. Day. . . . . Conemaugh.  
 Indiana, Pa.  
 Brownlee, J. T., D.D. . . . . Chartiers.  
 West Middletown, Pa.  
 Brownlee, M. B. . . . . Kansas City.  
 Lawrence, Kans.  
 Bruce, James, D. D. . . . . Delaware.  
 Andes, N. Y.  
 Bruce, William R. . . . . Lake.  
 Sheakleyville, Pa.  
 Buchanan, J. N. . . . . N. Indiana.  
 Hebron, Ind.  
 Buchanan, James W. . . . . S. Illinois.  
 Joliet, Ill.  
 Buchanan, Joseph. . . . . Steubenville.  
 Steubenville, O.  
 Buchanan, W. J. . . . . Xenia.  
 Columbus, O.  
 Burnett, J. A. . . . . Monongah'la  
 Wilkinsburg, Pa.  
 Butler, W. M. . . . . Wheeling.  
 Cadiz, O.

- Caldwell, A. B. . . . .Gurdaspur.  
 Sialkot, Punjab, India.  
 Caldwell, Albert H. . . . .Muskingum.  
 New Concord, O.  
 Caldwell, John T. . . . .Mansfield.  
 Iberia, O.  
 Calhoun, Alex., D.D. . . .San Fran'co.  
 1512 Union st., Alameda, Cal.  
 Calhoun, Joseph, D.D. . . .Des Moines.  
 Indianola, Iowa.  
 Calhoun, J. C. . . . .Rock Island.  
 Viola, Ill.  
 Calvert, A. H. . . . .Allegheny.  
 Etna, Pa.  
 Campbell, A. M. . . . .Princeton.  
 Princeton, Ind.  
 Campbell, J. O., D.D. . . .Mansfield.  
 Wooster, Ohio.  
 Campbell, J. T. . . . .Muskingum.  
 Kimbolton, Ohio.  
 Campbell, Rob't Gowan,  
 D. D. . . . .Wheeling.  
 New Athens, O.  
 Campbell, R. Gregg. . . .College Sp's.  
 Tarkio, Mo.  
 Campbell, R. T. . . . .Pawnee.  
 Pawnee City, Neb.  
 Campbell, W. A. . . . .Cedar R'p'ds  
 Mt. Auburn, Iowa.  
 Campbell, W. T., D. D. . .Monmouth.  
 Monmouth, Ill.  
 Carnahan, G. E. . . . .Concordia.  
 Clay Center, Kan.  
 Carson, David W., D.D. . .Frankfort.  
 S.Burgettstown, Pa.  
 Carson, James G., D.D. . .Xenia.  
 Xenia, O.  
 Carson, Ralph E. . . . .Egypt.  
 Asyut, Egypt.  
 Chalmers, Thomas M. . .Chicago.  
 588 S. Halsted st., Chicago, Ill.  
 Chambers, Wm. A. . . . .S. Illinois.  
 Oakdale, Ill.  
 Cherry, W. B. . . . .Muskingum.  
 New Plymouth, O.  
 Childs, N. . . . .S. Illinois.  
 Sparta, Ill.  
 Christy, D. D. . . . .Garnett.  
 Lyndon, Kan.  
 Clapperton, James B. . . .Delaware.  
 Garrattsville, N. Y.  
 Clark, J. H. . . . .Rock Island.  
 Harvey, Ill.  
 Clark, S. F. . . . .Rock Island.  
 Coal Valley, Ill.  
 Clark, W. H. . . . .Lake.  
 West Middletown, Pa.  
 Clarke, Matthew. . . . .Chicago.  
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 Cleland, Charles S. . . . .Philadelp'a  
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 Cleland, D. M. . . . .Beaver V'y.  
 Ellwood City, Pa.  
 Cleland, E. E. . . . .Muskingum.  
 Creighton, O.  
 Cleland, J. W. . . . .Beaver V'y.  
 Ellwood City, Pa.  
 Cochrane, M. R. . . . .Des Moines.  
 St. Charles, Iowa.  
 Cochrane, W. F. . . . .College Sp'gs  
 Present, Iowa.  
 Coleman, A. B. . . . .Tennessee.  
 Molino, Tenn.  
 Coleman, William M. . . .Wheeling.  
 West Alexander, Pa.  
 Collins, David W., D.D. . .Philadelp'a.  
 60 N. 38th st., Philadelphia, Pa.  
 Collins, Frank A. . . . .Vermont.  
 Ryegate, Vt.  
 Collins, Joseph A., D.D. . .Chicago.  
 1080 W. Polk St., Chicago, Ill.  
 Collins, Samuel, D.D. . . .Allegheny.  
 60 Sherman ave., Allegheny, Pa.  
 Colvin, Jesse S. . . . .Pawnee.  
 Bookwalter, Neb.  
 Comin, Clark W. . . . .Chartiers.  
 Eighty-four, Pa.  
 Comin, H. V. . . . .Colorado.  
 Loveland, Colo.  
 Cook, J. L. . . . .Tennessee.  
 Athens, Tenn.  
 Cooke, William. . . . .Butler.  
 Centretown, Pa.  
 Cooper, E. C. . . . .Arkan's V'y.  
 Kingman, Kan.  
 Cooper, William J. . . . .Butler.  
 Butler, Pa.  
 Cornes, H. N. . . . .Omaha.  
 Dunbar, Neb.  
 Cosby, J. A. . . . .Chicago.  
 375 S. Lake st., Aurora, Ill.  
 Courtney, J. P. . . . .Detroit.  
 Martin, Mich.  
 Cowan, James P., D.D. . .Indiana.  
 44 Windsor st., Indianapolis, Ind.  
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- Thompson, H. H., D.D. . . . . Sidney.  
Urbana, O.
- Thompson, J. A., D.D. . . . . College S'gs.  
Tarkio, Mo.
- Thompson, J. J. . . . . S. Illinois.  
Stuttgart, Ark.
- Thompson, J. S. . . . . Gujranwala.  
Rawal Pindi, India.
- Thompson, Pressly. . . . . Colorado.  
Colorado Springs, Colo.
- Thompson, R. J. . . . . Los Angeles.  
Beaumont, Cal.
- Thompson, Samuel F. . . . . First Ohio.  
Oxford, O.
- Thompson, W. R. . . . . Wheeling.  
Lucile, O.
- Thorn, D. M. . . . . Westm'land.  
West Newton, Pa.
- Tidball, Milford. . . . . College S'gs.  
Shannon City, Iowa.
- Tinker, D. S. . . . . Conemaugh.  
Clyde, Pa.
- Timmons, Joseph H. . . . . Chartiers.  
McConnell's Mills, Pa.
- Torrence, J. T. . . . . College S'gs.  
York, Mo.
- Tris, A. C. . . . . Garnett.  
Howard, Kan.
- Truesdale, John C. . . . . N. Indiana.  
Alexandria, Ind.
- Turnbull, James S. . . . . Arkans. V'y.  
Peotone, Kan.
- Turnbull, Thos. B., D.D. . . . . Argyle.  
Argyle, N. Y.
- Turner, Hugh B. . . . . Cedar R'd's.  
Cedar Rapids, Iowa.
- Turner, James D. . . . . Monongah'la.  
4404 Butler st., Pittsburgh, Pa.
- Turner, T. E. . . . . N. Indiana.  
Elizaville, Ind.
- Tussey, J. S. . . . . Xenia.  
Greenfield, O.
- Ure, D. M., D.D. . . . . Allegheny.  
218 Western ave., Allegheny, Pa.
- Vance, John Leyda. . . . . Allegheny.  
Aspinwall, Pa.
- Veazey, J. H. . . . . Allegheny.  
New Wilmington, Pa.
- Vincent, Alvin S., D.D. . . . . C. Illinois.  
Emporia, Kan.
- Vincent, Wm. H., D.D. . . . . Detroit.  
740 Grand River ave., Detroit, Mich.
- Waddle, Wm. G., D.D. . . . . Wheeling.  
New Athens, O.
- Wade, N. E. . . . . Delaware.  
Kortright, N. Y.
- Wallace, Alex. G., D.D. . . . . Allegheny.  
Sewickley, Pa.
- Wallace, Henry. . . . . Des Moines.  
Des Moines, Iowa.
- Wallace, Homer H. . . . . New York.  
426 W. 44th st., New York, N. Y.
- Wallace, Hugh F., D.D. . . . . Oregon.  
287 Grand ave. N., Portland, Ore.
- Wallace, James M. . . . . Monongah'la.  
Colwell and Miller sts., Pitts., Pa.
- Wallace, Joseph R. . . . . Frankfort.  
Zeller, Pa.
- Wallace, Rob't G., D.D. . . . . Los Angeles.  
San Diego, Cal.
- Wallace, Washington, . . . . Concordia.  
New Concord, O.
- Wareham, Albert. . . . . Albany.  
West Charlton, N. Y.
- Warnock, J. C. . . . . Xenia.  
Cedarville, O.
- Warnock, R. L. . . . . New York.  
Warnock, O.
- Warnock, W. T. . . . . Princeton.  
Duncanville, Ill.
- Watson, Andrew, D.D. . . . . Egypt.  
Cairo, Egypt.
- Webster, J. G. C. . . . . Philadelp'ia.  
1432 Christian st., Philadelphia.
- Webster, J. H. . . . . Philadelp'a.  
1432 Christian st., Philadelphia.  
Pa.

- Webster, T. J. C. . . . . Los Angeles.  
 Beaumont, Cal.  
 Weed, Samuel H. . . . . Rock Island.  
 Colona, Ill.  
 Weir, William. . . . . Chartiers.  
 Washington, Pa.  
 Welch, James Marcus. Philadelphia.  
 Bellevue, Pa.  
 Welch, R. L. . . . . Delaware.  
 22 Dietz st., Oneonta, N. Y.  
 Westlake, Henry. . . . . Lake.  
 Millbrook, Pa.  
 White, D. J. . . . . S. Illinois.  
 Coulterville, Ill.  
 White, I. N. . . . . Muskingum.  
 Fairview, O.  
 White, James, D.D. . . . . Kansas City.  
 Kansas City, Mo.  
 White, J. C. . . . . N. Indiana.  
 Muncie, Ind.  
 White, John P., M. D. . . . . Egypt.  
 Cairo, Egypt.  
 White, Wilbur W., D.D. Chicago.  
 S6 College st., Calcutta, India.  
 White, William P. . . . . Des Moines.  
 Indianola, Iowa.  
 Whitehill, N. A. . . . . Keokuk.  
 West Chester, Iowa.  
 Whiteside, G. W. . . . . Westm'land.  
 Parnassus, Pa.  
 Wiley, George M. . . . . Argyle.  
 West Hebron, N. Y.  
 Wiley, J. A. . . . . Monmouth.  
 Monmouth, Ill.  
 Wilkin, Ralph E. . . . . S. Illinois.  
 Tilden, Ill.  
 Williamson, James A. . . . . Albany.  
 Johnstown, N. Y.  
 Williamson, John, D. D. College Sp'gs  
 Tingley, Iowa.  
 Williamson, L. W. . . . . Kansas City.  
 Mulberry, Mo.  
 Williamson, R. D. . . . . Albany.  
 4 Ida Terrace, Troy, N. Y.  
 Williamson, W. C., D. D. Keokuk.  
 Keokuk, Iowa.  
 Wilson, David C., D. D. Col. Springs.  
 Tarkio, Mo.  
 Wilson, F. W. . . . . Garnett.  
 Americus, Kans.  
 Wilson, G. G. . . . . C. Illinois.  
 Paxton, Ill.  
 Wilson, Howard S. . . . . Westm'land.  
 Mt. Pleasant, Pa.  
 Wilson, John B. . . . . Philadelphia.  
 407 Bidlle st., Baltimore, Md.  
 Wilson, James C., D. D. Lake.  
 127 E. Eighth st., Erie, Pa.  
 Wilson, James T. . . . . N. Indiana.  
 Monmouth, Ill.  
 Wilson, James T. . . . . S. Illinois.  
 De Witt, Ark.  
 Wilson, John A., D. D. Mansfield.  
 Allegheny, Pa.  
 Wilson, John B. . . . . Detroit.  
 Fibre, Chippewa co., Mich.  
 Wilson, T. J. . . . . Oregon.  
 Eugene, Ore.
- Wilson, W. R. . . . . Lake.  
 Mercer, Pa.  
 Winegart, Nathan. . . . . Muskingum.  
 Sago, O.  
 Winter, Thomas W. . . . . Beaver V'y.  
 Lincoln ave., New Castle, Pa.  
 Wishart, John E. . . . . Monongah'la  
 Ingram, Pa.  
 Wishart, William, D.D. Monong'la.  
 Ingram, Pa.  
 Wishart, W. I. . . . . Allegheny.  
 Perrysville ave., Allegheny, Pa.  
 Witherspoon, J. M. . . . . Allegheny.  
 Oakmont, Pa.  
 Witherspoon, J. W., D.D. Allegheny.  
 153 Buena Vista St., Allegheny, Pa.  
 Work, J. B. . . . . Big Spring.  
 Indiana, Pa.  
 Wright, I. T. . . . . Mercer.  
 Wheeler, Pa.  
 Wright, Wallington. . . . . Garnett.  
 Emporia, Kan.  
 Wyatt, R. C. . . . . Muskingum.  
 Norwich, O.
- Yost, Robert. . . . . Westm'land.  
 Wilmerding, Pa.  
 Young, Alexander I. . . . . Westm'land.  
 McKeesport, Pa.  
 Young, G. E. . . . . C. Illinois.  
 Piper City, Ill.  
 Young, R. G. . . . . Butler.  
 Boone, Iowa.  
 Young, R. S. . . . . Monongah'a.  
 Homestead, Pa.

## NATIVE FOREIGN MINISTERS.

- Shanoodeh Hanna. . . . . Egypt.  
 Sinnoris, Egypt.  
 Gubrail Yoosuf. . . . . Egypt.  
 Sanhoor, Egypt.  
 Hanna Bishai. . . . . Egypt.  
 Minyah, Egypt.  
 Bishai Mikhaeel. . . . . Egypt.  
 Beni Adi, Egypt.  
 Boolus Mikhaeel. . . . . Egypt.  
 Hur, Egypt.  
 Mikhail Mazziky. . . . . Egypt.  
 Jawilli, Egypt.  
 Tadrus Hanna. . . . . Egypt.  
 Suft Maidoom, Egypt.  
 Tadrus Yoosuf. . . . . Egypt.  
 Nakhaleh, Egypt.  
 Benrameen Fam. . . . . Egypt.  
 Abooteeg, Egypt.  
 Awada Abd Esh Shaheed Egypt.  
 Luxor, Egypt.  
 Shehata Awaida. . . . . Egypt.  
 Mellawi, Egypt.  
 Boolus Abd Esh Shaheed Egypt.  
 Akhmeen, Egypt.  
 Ibrahim Tanyoos. . . . . Egypt.  
 Moteah, Egypt.  
 Mikhail Tekla. . . . . Egypt.  
 Abookerkas, Egypt.

Moawwad Hanna.....Egypt.  
 Asyut, Egypt.  
 Sawerus Mikhail.... .Egypt.  
 Daweir, Egypt.  
 Sawerus Geras.....Egypt.  
 Suft el Leben, Egypt.  
 Hanna, Garies..... .Egypt.  
 Dier el Bersha, Egypt.  
 Geras Garies.....Egypt.  
 Meir, Egypt.  
 Mikhail Abadir.....Egypt.  
 Mansurah, Egypt.  
 Salik Hannailah.... .Egypt.  
 Cairo, Egypt.  
 Paul Nasar Ali.....Sialkot.  
 Marali, via Sialkot, India.

I. D. Shabaz.....Sialkot.  
 Sialkot, India.  
 Aziz ul Haqq.....Gurdaspur.  
 Dinanagar, India.  
 Abdulla, ———.....Gurdaspur.  
 Rura Mull.....Gurdaspur.  
 Chemma, Punjab, India.  
 Gundu Mull.....Gurdaspur.  
 Nadola, Punjab, India.  
 Hamid ul Din.....Sialkot.  
 Dhoda, Sialkot, India.  
 Jiwan Mal.....Gujranwala.  
 Gujranwala, India.  
 Fazl ud Din.....Gujranwala.  
 Kila Didar, Singh, Ind.

## 2. LICENTIATES.

NAME.	LICENSED.	PRESBYTERY.
Anderson, Wm. B.....	December 15, 1896.....	Allegheny.
Biddell, H. C.....	June 8, 1896.....	Monmouth.
Boyd, Wm. M.....	December 15, 1896.....	Allegheny.
Brodth, John G.....	.....	First Ohio.
Brown, Wm. J.....	March 30, 1897.....	Monongahela.
Brownlee, W. T.....	.....	Chartiers.
Caldwell, A. W.....	April 6, 1897.....	Muskingum.
Calvin, Arthur J.....	April 14, 1896.....	Lake.
Campbell, W. B.....	.....	Butler.
Clark, Leel S.....	April 14, 1896.....	Lake.
Cooley, W. P.....	April 28, 1896.....	Xenia.
Cooper, D. A.....	March 2, 1897.....	Pittsburg.
Dean, F. E.....	April 28, 1896.....	Xenia.
Dobbins, B. E.....	April 28, 1896.....	Xenia.
Dugan, W. E.....	.....	San Francisco.
Edgar, Thos D.....	May 5, 1896.....	First Ohio.
Frederick, J. I.....	June 23, 1896.....	Pawnee.
Galey, John W.....	December 15, 1896.....	Mercer.
Gibson, J. D.....	April 13, 1897.....	Butler.
Gordon, G. A.....	April 28, 1896.....	Xenia.
Gray, L. L.....	.....	First Ohio.
Griess, S. G.....	.....	Albany.
Guthrie, W. E.....	May 5, 1896.....	Wheeling.
Hamilton, Joseph C.....	June 23, 1896.....	Southern Illinois.
Hopping, W. P.....	April 28, 1896.....	Xenia.
Hubbell, W. H.....	April 7, 1896.....	Mansfield.
Hurst, Jas. G.....	December 22, 1896.....	Argyle.
Kinsman.....	.....	Monongahela.
Lanning, R. L.....	April 6, 1897.....	Muskingum.
Littell, C. T.....	March 30, 1897.....	Monongahela.
Lorimer, M. W.....	April 28, 1896.....	Xenia.
McClenahan, W. L.....	April 5, 1896.....	College Springs.
McCracken, Guy W.....	June 8, 1896.....	Monmouth.
McCreary, G. B.....	April 6, 1897.....	Muskingum.
McCreary, Ira Grant.....	April 13, 1897.....	Beaver Valley.
McKean, W. J.....	March 30, 1897.....	Monongahela.
McKelvey, S. Willis.....	May 5, 1896.....	Southern Illinois.
Mackey, N. L.....	April 7, 1896.....	Mansfield.
McMichael.....	April 13, 1897.....	Butler.
Marlin, H. H.....	March 30, 1897.....	Monongahela.
Milligan, Orlando H.....	March 30, 1897.....	Monongahela.
Miller, J. H.....	.....	Chartiers.
Moore, J. H.....	March 16, 1897.....	Chartiers.
Murehie, W. M.....	April 28, 1896.....	College Springs.
Pollock, John S.....	May 7, 1896.....	Chicago.

Pollock, Thomas C.	March 30, 1897.	Westmoreland.
Sankey, James H.	May 4, 1896.	Caledonia.
Sankey, S. Y.	April 13, 1897.	Butler.
Shanor, M. C.		Butler.
Smith, E. K.	May 5, 1896.	Allegheny.
Smith, J. W.		Westmoreland.
Spencer, H. W.		Mercer.
Stevenson, A. M.	June 16, 1896.	Garnett.
Stevenson, C. R.	December 22, 1896.	Monongahela.
Stewart, John I.		Westmoreland.
Strangeway, W. D.	September 8, 1896.	Delaware.
Thompson, W. R.	June 23, 1896.	Steubenville.
Walker, J. E.		Cleveland.
Warden, Samuel N.		Westmoreland.
White, J. H.		Muskingum.
Wilson, A. W.	April 5, 1896.	College Springs.
Wishart, C. F.	April 12, 1897.	Monongahela.
Woodburn, W. W.	September 2, 1896.	Rock Island.
Tanfilos Girgis		Egypt.
Girgis Hunein		Egypt.
Mergis Obeid		Egypt.
Tubiya Bishai		Egypt.
Bishara Girgis		Egypt.
Suleiman Tanyus		Egypt.
Bishai Fam		Egypt.
Bustaros Khalil		Egypt.
Gebra Taudros		Egypt.
Andraus Wasif		Egypt.
Mikhail Salamah		Egypt.
Ibrahim Musa		Egypt.
Aid Tadrus		Egypt.
Salih Feltus		Egypt.
Butrus Hanna		Egypt.
Markus Ghubrus		Egypt.
Matta Mikhail		Egypt.
Methak Bakhit		Egypt.
Masaud Musaad		Egypt.
Ibrahim Girgis	February 5, 1897.	Egypt.
Farah Buktor	February 5, 1897.	Egypt.
Ishak Khalil	February 5, 1897.	Egypt.
Wilson, Robert	March 31, 1896.	Gujranwala.
Patterson, James	March 31, 1896.	Gujranwala.
—88.		Gurdaspur.

## 3. ALPHABETICAL LIST OF CONGREGATIONS.

[For organization and Pastoral Record, see page 601 of volume VI.]

Abnub.....	Egypt.	Baltimore, First.....	Philadelphia.
Abu Kerkass.....	"	" North ave.....	Philadelphia.
Abutig Kerkass.....	"	Barclay.....	Cedar Rapids.
Adair.....	Des Moines.	Barlow.....	Muskingum.
Ad-am-Drez.....	Sialkot.	Barnett Center.....	Vermont.
Adams.....	College Springs	Battle Creek.....	N. W. Iowa.
Adamsville.....	Lake.	Bayadeeya.....	Egypt.
Ainsworth.....	Keokuk.	Beaumont.....	Los Angeles.
Akhmeen.....	Egypt.	Beaver.....	Beaver Valley.
Alameda.....	San Francisco	Beaver Falls.....	"
Albany.....	Albany.	Beaver Run.....	Brookville.
".....	Oregon.	Bellaire.....	Wheeling.
Albia.....	Des Moines.	Belle Center.....	Sidney.
Aledo.....	Rock Island.	Bellefontaine.....	"
Alexandria.....	Egypt.	Bellevue.....	Allegheny.
".....	N. Indiana.	Belmont.....	Wheeling.
Alexis.....	Monmouth.	Belmore.....	Sidney.
Allegheny, First.....	Allegheny.	Beni Adi.....	Egypt.
" Second.....	"	Benkleman.....	Pawnee.
" Third.....	"	Beracha.....	Brookville.
" Fourth.....	"	Bethel (Allegh'y Co.).....	Westmorel'd.
" Fifth.....	"	" (Westm'd Co.).....	"
" Sixth.....	"	".....	Beaver Valley.
" Seventh.....	"	".....	Conemaugh.
" Eighth.....	"	".....	S. Illinois.
" Ninth.....	"	".....	Central Illinois
" Tenth.....	"	".....	Le Claire.
".....	Butler.	".....	Butler.
Allentown.....	Monongahela.	Bethesda.....	Westmorel'd.
Allerton.....	Des Moines.	Bethsaida.....	N. Indiana.
Alliance.....	North Platte.	Beulah.....	Westmorel'd.
Allison Park.....	Allegheny.	".....	Caledonia.
Altoona.....	Conemaugh.	".....	Pittsburg.
Americus.....	Garnett.	Big Spring.....	Big Spring.
Amity.....	Mansfield.	".....	Tennessee.
".....	Pawnee.	Bigsville.....	Monmouth.
".....	Cedar Rapids.	Birmingham.....	Detroit.
Amoret.....	Kansas City.	Birmingham.....	Keokuk.
Andes.....	Delaware.	Blairsville.....	Conemaugh.
Andrew.....	Le Claire.	Blanchard.....	College Springs
Anthony.....	Ark'sas Val'y.	Bloomfield.....	Muskingum.
Antrim.....	Muskingum.	".....	Stenbenville.
Apollo.....	Conemaugh.	Bloomington.....	Princeton.
Argyle.....	Argyle.	Blue Mound.....	Garnett.
Arkansas City.....	Ark'sas Val'y.	Blue Stone.....	Freedm's B'd.
Arlington.....	Wisconsin.	Boston.....	Boston.
Aspinwall.....	Allegheny.	".....	Westmorel'd.
Asyut.....	Egypt.	Bostwick.....	Pawnee.
Athens.....	Tennessee.	Bovina.....	Delaware.
Atlantic.....	College Springs	Borden.....	N. W. Iowa.
Atwood.....	Brookville.	Braddock.....	Westmorel'd.
Aurora.....	Chicago.	Brighton.....	Keokuk.
Austin.....	Detroit.	Broadalbin.....	Albany.
Avalon.....	Allegheny.	Brooklyn, First.....	New York.
Avondale.....	Mansfield.	" Second.....	"
Awankha.....	Gurdaspur.	" Westminster.....	"
Azameh.....	Egypt.	Brookville.....	Brookville.
Azceeyah.....	"	Brownsdale.....	Butler.
Badoki.....	Gujranwala.	Brownsville.....	Wheeling.
Bakur.....	Egypt.	Bruce.....	Detroit.
		Buchanan Hill.....	Wheeling.

Buena Vista.....	Westmorel'd.	Clarksville.....	Mercer.
Buffalo, First.....	Caledonia.	Clay Center.....	Concordia.
"    Second.....	"	Claysville.....	Chartiers.
"    ".....	Wisconsin.	Clayton.....	Monmouth.
"    ".....	Butler.	Clearfield.....	College Sp'gs.
Burchard.....	Pawnee.	Clear Fork.....	Muskingum.
Burgettstown.....	Frankfort.	Cleveland First.....	Cleveland.
Burlington.....	Delaware.	"    Second.....	"
"    ".....	Keokuk.	Clifton.....	Xenia.
Butler.....	Butler.	Clinton.....	Butler.
		"    ".....	Frankfort.
		"    ".....	Boston.
Cabin Hill.....	Delaware.	Clintonville.....	Butler.
Cadiz.....	Wheeling.	Cochranon.....	Lake.
Cairo.....	Egypt.	Coila.....	Argyle.
Calcutta.....	Steubenville.	Coin.....	College Springs
Caledonia.....	Caledonia.	Colfax.....	Spokane.
"    ".....	Indiana.	College Springs.....	College Springs
"    ".....	Muskingum.	Colona.....	Rock Island.
"    ".....	Wisconsin.	Colorado Springs.....	Colorado.
California.....	Sidney.	Columbus, First.....	Xenia.
Cambridge.....	Argyle.	"    Neil ave.....	"
"    ".....	Boston.	Columbus City.....	Keokuk.
"    ".....	Muskingum.	Commerce.....	Detroit.
Camp Creek.....	Chicago.	Concord.....	Big Spring.
Camp Run.....	Beaver Valley	Concordia.....	Concordia.
Canonsburg.....	Chartiers.	Conemaugh.....	Conemaugh.
"    ".....	Sidney.	Conneaut Lake.....	Lake.
Canton.....	Mansfield.	Connellsville.....	Westmorel'd.
Carlock.....	Cent. Illinois.	Coraopolis.....	Monongahela
Carmel.....	Indiana.	Cottonwood Falls.....	Garnett.
Carnaban's Creek.....	Concordia.	Coulterville.....	S. Illinois.
Carnegie.....	Monongahela	Cove.....	Big Spring.
Carrolton.....	Steubenville.	Covington.....	Caledonia.
Cascade.....	Le Claire.	Crawfordsville.....	Keokuk.
Cassville.....	Wheeling.	Creston.....	College Springs
Castroville.....	San Francisco	Crete.....	Conemaugh.
Cedar Creek.....	Rock Island.	Cross Creek.....	Frankfort.
Cedar Rapids, First.....	Cedar Rapids.	Croswell.....	Detroit.
"    Second.....	"	Cuba.....	S. Illinois.
Cedarville.....	Xenia.	Cumber.....	Detroit.
Center.....	Chartiers	Cutler.....	"
Centre.....	Beaver Valley	Cuylerville.....	Caledonia.
Center Ridge.....	College Springs		
Centerville.....	Butler.		
Central Falls.....	Boston.	Dalton.....	Mansfield.
Chahar.....	Sialkot.	Darlington.....	Beaver Valley.
Chahal.....	Gujranwala.	Davenport.....	Delaware.
Chariton.....	Des Moines	"    ".....	Rock Island.
Chartiers.....	Chartiers.	Dawair.....	Egypt.
"    ".....	Monongahela	Dayton.....	Brookville.
Chartiers X Roads.....	Chartiers.	"    ".....	First Ohio.
Chase City.....	Freedm's B'd	Deer Creek.....	Allegheny.
Cherry Fork.....	Chillicothe.	Deir Abu Hennis.....	Egypt.
Cherry Run.....	Brookville.	Deir Abul Hennis.....	Egypt.
Chetopa.....	Pittsburg.	Deir El-Bersha.....	Egypt.
Chicago, First.....	Chicago.	Deir el Genadila.....	Egypt.
"    Second.....	"	De Lancey.....	Delaware.
"    Third.....	"	Delaware.....	"
"    Fourth.....	"	Denison.....	Kansas City.
"    Fifth.....	"	Denver, First.....	Colorado.
"    Sixth.....	"	"    Boulevard.....	"
"    Seventh.....	"	Des Moines, First.....	Des Moines.
Chicopee.....	Boston.	"    Second.....	"
Chikaskia.....	Arkans's Val'y	Detroit.....	Detroit.
Chimma.....	Gurdaspur.	De Witt.....	Le Claire.
Cincinnati.....	First Ohio.	"    ".....	S. Illinois.
Clarenceville.....	New York.	Dexter.....	Des Moines.
Clarinda.....	College Springs	Duffsvill.....	Westmoreland.
Clarion.....	Cedar Rapids.	Dunbar.....	Omaha.

Duncanville.....	Pittsburg.	Golden.....	Monmouth.
Dundas.....	S. Illinois.	Goldfield.....	Cedar Rapids.
Duquoin.....	Arkans's Val'y	Goshen.....	Muskingum.
Eagle Grove.....	Omaha.	Graham's Church.....	New York.
East Brook.....	Mercer.	Grand Rapids.....	Sidney.
East Greenwich.....	Argyle.	Grant's Hill.....	Steubenville.
East Liverpool, First.....	Steubenville.	Greeley.....	Garnett.
".....	Second.	".....	Colorado.
Easton.....	San Francisco	Greenfield.....	Xenia.
East Palestine.....	Cleveland.	".....	College Springs
East Union.....	Muskingum.	Greensboro.....	Vermont.
".....	Allegheny.	Greensburg.....	Westmore'd.
".....	Conemaugh.	Greenville.....	Conemaugh.
East Unity.....	Butler.	".....	Lake.
Ebenezer.....	Lake.	Greenwich.....	Argyle.
".....	Butler.	Greenwood.....	Kansas City.
Eden.....	Princeton.	Gujranwala.....	Gujranwala.
Edgerton.....	Garnett.	Gurdaspur.....	Gurdaspur.
El Bersha.....	Egypt.	Grove City.....	Butler.
Elderton.....	Conemaugh.	Guernsey.....	Des Moines.
Elizabeth.....	Westmore'd.	Guinston.....	Big Spring.
Ellison.....	Monmouth.	Halsey.....	Oregon.
Ellwood.....	Beaver Valley	Hamilton.....	First Ohio.
Elmira.....	Monmouth.	Hampton.....	Allegheny.
Elvira.....	Le Claire.	Hanover.....	Frankfort.
Emporia.....	Garnett.	".....	Chicago.
Eric.....	Lake.	Harbor.....	Beaver Valley
Etna.....	Allegheny.	Harlansburg.....	Mercer.
Evans City.....	Allegheny.	Harmarville.....	Allegheny.
Ewart.....	Des Moines.	Harmony.....	Butler.
Ewing.....	Omaha.	".....	Central Illinois
		Harper.....	Detroit.
Fairfax.....	Cedar Rapids.	Harrison.....	Keokuk.
Fairfield.....	Westmore'd	Harrisville.....	Wheeling.
Fair Grove.....	Detroit.	Hartstown.....	Lake.
Fair Haven.....	First Ohio.	Hawatka.....	Egypt.
Fairmont.....	Westmore'd.	Hayesville.....	Mansfield.
Fairview.....	Muskingum.	Hebron.....	Argyle.
".....	Butler.	".....	N. Indiana.
".....	Des Moines.	".....	Monongahela
".....	Concordia.	Henderson.....	Monmouth.
Fall Creek.....	Xenia.	Hepburn.....	College Springs
Fall River.....	Boston.	Heshbon.....	Conemaugh.
Feshen.....	Egypt.	High Ridge.....	Wheeling.
Findlay.....	Sidney.	Hoboken.....	New York.
Fleming.....	Allegheny.	Holland Creek.....	Garnett.
Florida.....	Albany.	Holyoke.....	Butler.
Four Mile.....	Beaver Valley	Homer City.....	Conemaugh.
".....	S. Illinois.	Hcmstead.....	Rock Island.
".....	Concordia.	".....	Monongahela.
Fowler.....	San Francisco	Hookstown.....	Frankfort.
Frankfort Springs.....	Frankfort.	Hoopston.....	Central Illinois
Franklinville.....	Caledonia.	Hopewell.....	Big Spring.
Fredericksburg.....	Mansfield.	".....	First Ohio.
Freeport.....	Butler.	".....	S. Illinois.
		".....	Tennessee.
		".....	Concordia.
Galt.....	Stamford.	Hopkinsville.....	First Ohio.
Garn r.....	Cedar Rapids.	Houstonville.....	Chartiers.
Garnett.....	Garnett.	Howard.....	Caledonia.
Garratsville.....	Delaware.	".....	Garnett.
Gawali.....	Egypt.	Huntsville.....	Sidney.
Georgetown.....	Lake.	Hur.....	Egypt.
Gerlaw.....	Monmouth.	Iberia.....	Mansfield.
Glade Run.....	Allegheny.	Idana.....	Concordia.
".....	Steubenville.	Idaville.....	N. Indiana.
Gladden.....	Monongahela	Indiana, First.....	Conemaugh.
Glenloch.....	Garnett.	".....	Second.....
Glenwood.....	Indiana.		



Indianapolis, First.....	Indiana.	Lisbon.....	Albany.
"    Woodhuff ave		"    "    "    "    "    "    "	Wisconsin.
Indian Creek.....	College Springs	Little Muskingum.....	Wheeling.
Indianola.....	Des Moines.	Little York.....	Rock Island.
Ingram.....	Monongahela	Living Lake.....	Keokuk.
Ireton.....	N. W. Iowa.	Logan's Ferry.....	Westmorel'd.
Irwin.....	Westmorel'd.	Londonderry.....	Muskingum.
Jacksonville.....	Conemaugh.	Lone Grove.....	Pawnee.
Jamestown.....	Xenia.	Los Angeles, First... ..	Los Angeles.
"    "    "    "    "    "    "	Lake.	"    "    "    "    "    "    "	Second..
"    "    "    "    "    "    "	Concordia.	Loveland.....	Colorado.
Jeannette.....	Westmorel'd.	Lowell.....	Boston.
Jefferson.....	Brookville.	Lower Chanceford....	Big Spring.
"    "    "    "    "    "    "	Des Moines.	Lumber City.....	Brookville.
"    "    "    "    "    "    "	Monongahela	Luxor.....	Egypt.
Jersey City, First....	New York.	Lyndon.....	Caledonia.
"    "    "    "    "    "    "	Second... ..	"    "    "    "    "    "    "	Garnett.
"    Summit ave		Macedon.....	Sidney.
Jetmore.....	Arkans's Val'y	McDonald.....	Monongahela.
Jewell.....	Pawnee.	McKeesport.....	Westmorel'd.
Jhelum.....	Gujranwala.	McMahon's Creek.....	Wheeling.
Jhulki.....	Sialkot.	Madison.....	Indiana.
Johnstown.....	Albany.	"    "    "    "    "    "    "	Westmorel'd.
"    "    "    "    "    "    "	Conemaugh.	Madrid.....	Pawnee.
Jonathan's Creek.....	Muskingum.	Mahoning.....	Beaver Valley
Jordan's Grove.....	S. Illinois.	"    "    "    "    "    "    "	Brookville.
Kansas City, Kan., 1st.	Kansas City.	Majors.....	Omaha.
Kansas City, Mo., 1st..	"	Mansfield.....	Mansfield.
"    "    "    "    "    "    "	2d..	Mansura.....	Egypt.
Kearney.....	Omaha.	Marali.....	Sialkot.
Kenton.....	Sidney.	Marissa.....	S. Illinois.
Keokuk.....	Keokuk.	Mars.....	Allegheny.
"    "    "    "    "    "    "		Martin.....	Detroit.
Kerr Ridge.....	Lake	Martin's Ferry.....	Wheeling.
Kimbolton.....	Muskingum.	Mechanicsburg.....	Conemaugh.
King's Creek.....	Frankfort.	Mechanicstown.....	Steubenville.
Kingsville.....	Kansas City.	Media.....	Monmouth.
Kirkwood.....	Monmouth.	Moir.....	Egypt.
Kittanning.....	Butler.	Mellawi.....	Egypt.
Knoxville.....	Steubenville.	Mercer, First.....	Mercer.
"    "    "    "    "    "    "	Des Moines.	"    "    "    "    "    "    "	Second.....
"    "    "    "    "    "    "	Tennessee.	Mercersburg.....	Big Spring.
Koos.....	Egypt.	Mexico.....	
Kortright.....	Delaware.	Middletown.....	First Ohio.
Kurnch.....	Egypt.	Mifflin.....	Monongahela
Lackawannock.....	Mercer.	Millersburg.....	Mansfield.
Lacona.....	Des Moines.	Miller's Ferry.....	Tennessee.
La Crosse.....	Arkans's Val'y	Milroy.....	Indiana.
Lamar.....	Colorado.	Milton.....	Stamford.
"    "    "    "    "    "    "	Pawnee.	Minden.....	Pawnee.
La Prairie.....	Monmouth.	Minyah.....	Egypt.
Latrobe.....	Westmorel'd	Mishta.....	
Laurel Hill.....	"	Mission Creek.....	Pawnee.
Lawrence.....	Kansas City.	Monmouth, First....	Monmouth.
"    "    "    "    "    "    "	Boston.	"    "    "    "    "    "    "	Second....
"    "    "    "    "    "    "	Muskingum.	"    "    "    "    "    "    "	Ninth Ave.
"    "    "    "    "    "    "	Tennessee.	Monroe.....	Des Moines.
Lebanon.....	Le Claire.	Morea.....	Princeton.
Le Claire Prairie....	Le Claire.	Morganville.....	Muskingum.
Leechburg.....	Westmorel'd.	Morning Sun.....	First Ohio.
Leesburg.....	Mercer.	"    "    "    "    "    "    "	Keokuk.
Leipsic.....	Sidney.	Moteah.....	Egypt.
Lenox.....	College Springs	Mt. Ayr.....	College Springs
Le Roy.....	N. Indiana.	Mt. Chestnut.....	Butler.
Liberty.....	Mercer.	Mt. Gilead.....	Monongahela
"    "    "    "    "    "    "	Pawnee.	Mt. Hermon.....	Muskingum.
Lincoln.....		Mt. Hope.....	Chartiers.
Linesville.....	Lake.	Mt. Jackson.....	Beaver Valley
		Mt. Joy.....	Chillicothe.

Mt. Nebo.....	Allegheny.	Nortonville.....	Kansas City.
Mt. Pleasant.....	Chartiers.	Norwich.....	Muskingum.
".....	Westmorel'd.	Oakdale.....	Monongahela.
".....	First Ohio.	".....	S. Illinois.
Mt. Pleasant.....	N. Indiana.	".....	Beav'r Valley.
".....	Butler.	".....	Allegheny.
".....	Frankfort.	Oakland.....	Brookville.
Mt. Prospect.....	Chartiers.	".....	Beav'r Valley.
Mt. Varnum.....	Butler.	".....	Frankfort.
Mountville.....	Beav'r Valley.	".....	Lake.
Mt. Zion.....	Brookville.	".....	San Francisco.
Muddy Run.....	Philadelphia	Oaksdale.....	Spokane.
Mulberry.....	Kansas City.	Octoraro.....	Philadelphia.
Mumford.....	Caledonia.	Ohio.....	Frankfort.
Muncie.....	N. Indiana.	Oil City.....	Lake.
Mundale.....	Delaware.	Olathe.....	Garnett.
Mundeki.....	Sialkot.	Olena.....	Monmouth.
Murray.....	N. Indiana	Olivet.....	Conemaugh.
".....	Omaha.	Olympia.....	Puget Sound.
Murraysville.....	Westmorel'd.	Nezlet.....	Egypt.
Nadala.....	Gurdaspur.	Omaha, First.....	Omaha.
Nakhaleh.....	Egypt.	".....	Park ave.....
Nassau.....	Des Moines.	".....	Central.....
Neshannock.....	Beav'r Valley.	Oneonta.....	Delaware.
New Alexandria.....	Westmorel'd.	Ontario.....	Mansfield.
Newark.....	New York.	Orchard.....	Omaha.
New Athens.....	Wheeling.	Osborne.....	S. Illinois.
New Bedford.....	Mercer.	Oskaloosa.....	Des Moines.
New Bethlehem.....	Frankfort.	Othian Galatian.....	Gujranwala.
New Brighton.....	Beav'r Valley.	Ottawa.....	Garnett.
Newburg.....	New York.	Oxford.....	Philadelphia.
New Castle, First.....	Beav'r Valley.	".....	First Ohio.
".....	Second.....	Page Center.....	Col. Springs.
New Concord, First.....	Muskingum.	Palmetto.....	Tennessee.
".....	Second.....	Palo Alto.....	Des Moines.
New Florence.....	Conemaugh.	Pasadena.....	Los Angeles.
New Hope.....	Concordia.	Parks.....	Pawnee.
New Jefferson.....	Steubenville.	Paris.....	Frankfort.
New Kingston.....	Delaware.	Parnassus.....	Westmorel'd.
New Lebanon.....	Steubenville.	Pasrur.....	Sialkot.
New Lisbon.....	Cleveland.	Paterson.....	New York.
New Market.....	Steubenville.	Patterson.....	Des Moines.
New Salem.....	Muskingum.	Patterson's Mills.....	Chartiers.
Newton.....	Des Moines.	Pawnee City, First.....	Pawnee.
".....	Ark. Valley.	".....	Second.....
New Wilmington, 1st.....	Mercer	Paxton.....	Central Ills.
".....	2d.....	Peebles.....	Chillicothe.
New York, Charles st.....	New York.	Peter's Creek.....	Chartiers.
".....	Seventh ave.....	Philadelphia, First.....	Philadelphia.
".....	First.....	".....	Second.....
".....	West 44th st.....	".....	Third.....
".....	East 119th st.....	".....	Fourth.....
".....	Wash. H'ts.....	".....	Fifth.....
Ninnescah.....	Ark. Valley.	".....	Seventh.....
Noblestown.....	Monongahela.	".....	Eighth.....
Norfolk.....	Freed'n's Bd.	".....	Ninth.....
Northampton.....	Cleveland.	".....	Tenth.....
North Argyle.....	Argyle.	".....	North.....
North Bend.....	Omaha.	".....	Twelfth.....
North Branch.....	Des Moines.	".....	Fairhill.....
North Buffalo.....	Chartiers.	".....	West.....
Northfield.....	Cleveland.	".....	Wharton Sq.....
".....	Muskingum.	Pigeon Creek.....	Chartiers.
North Henderson.....	Rock Island.	Piney Fork.....	Steubenville.
North Kortright.....	Delaware.	Piper City.....	Central Ills.
North Page.....	Col. Springs.	Piqua.....	Sidney.
North Shenango.....	Lake.	Pittsburg.....	Pittsburg.
Northwood.....	Sidney.		

Pittsburg, First.....	Mon'gahela.	Rock Run.....	Chicago.
" Second.....	"	Rock Valley.....	N. W. Iowa.
" Third.....	"	Rocky Spring.....	Beaver Valley
" Fourth.....	"	Rome.....	Cedar Rapids.
" Fifth.....	"	Rometown.....	Lake.
" Sixth.....	"	Romine Prairie.....	S. Illinois.
" Seventh.....	"	Roney's Point.....	Wheeling.
Pittsburg, Eighth.....	"	Roundhead.....	Sidney.
" Ninth.....	"	Rush Creek.....	Muskingum.
" Wylie ave.....	"	Rushville.....	Indiana.
" Eleventh.....	"	" .....	North Platte.
" Mt. Wash'n.....	"	Ryegate.....	Vermont.
" Thirt'nth.....	"	St. Charles.....	Des Moines.
" 33d st.....	"	St. Clair.....	Mon'gahela.
" Shadyside.....	"	St. Clairsville.....	Wheeling.
" Hamilton av.....	"	St. Louis, First.....	S. Illinois.
Plain Grove.....	Mercer.	" Grand ave.....	"
Platte Valley.....	Col. Springs.	" Wagoner Place.....	"
Pleasant Hill.....	Muskingum.	Salem.....	Argyle.
" .....	Wheeling.	" .....	N. Indiana.
Pleasant Lawn.....	Col. Springs.	Salinas.....	San Fran'co.
Pleasant Ridge.....	Wheeling.	Salineville.....	Steuenville.
" .....	S. Illinois.	Saltsburg.....	Conemaugh.
Pleasant Unity.....	Rock Island.	Salt Creek.....	Muskingum.
Plum Creek.....	Brookville.	San Diego.....	Los Angeles.
Plumer.....	Lake.	Sanabu.....	Egypt.
Poland.....	Cleveland.	Sand Hill.....	Muskingum.
Portersville.....	Beav'r Valley.	Sandy.....	Lake.
Port Huron.....	Detroit.	Sandy Lake.....	"
Portland.....	Princeton.	San Francisco, First.....	San Fran'co.
Portland, First.....	Oregon.	" Second.....	"
Grand ave.....	"	San Jose.....	"
Power.....	Lake.	Sanhur.....	Egypt.
Pratt Creek.....	C'd'r Rapids.	San Miguel Canon.....	San Fran'co.
Pretty Prairie.....	Ark. Valley.	Santa Ana.....	Los Angeles.
Princeton.....	Princeton.	Savannah.....	Mansfield.
Prospect.....	Butler.	Scottdale.....	Westmorel'd.
Prosperity.....	S. Illinois.	Scotch Hill.....	Butler.
Providence, First.....	Boston.	Scotch Ridge.....	Sidney.
" Second.....	"	Scotch Valley.....	Pawnee.
Puckety.....	Westmorel'd.	Scotland.....	Princeton.
Pueblo.....	Colorado.	Scroggsfield.....	Steuenville.
Putnam.....	Argyle.	Seattle.....	Pug-t Sound.
Quimby.....	N. W. Iowa.	Selma.....	N. Indiana.
Quincy.....	Boston.	Service.....	Des Moines.
" .....	"	" .....	Frankfort.
Raccoon.....	Frankfort.	Sewickley.....	Allegheny.
Rawal Pindi.....	Gujranwala.	" .....	Westmorel'd.
Redclyffe.....	Brookville.	Shannon City.....	Col. Springs.
Redding.....	Col. Springs.	Sharon.....	Mercer.
Red Oak.....	"	Sharon.....	Egypt.
Remington.....	Beav'r Valley.	Shavertown.....	Delaware.
Reynoldsbu	Xenia.	Sheakleyville.....	Lake.
Reynoldton.....	Westmoreland.	Shedds.....	Oregon.
Rich Hill.....	Butler.	Sheldon.....	Pittsburg.
Richland.....	Indiana.	Shelocta.....	Conemaugh.
Richmond.....	Steuenville.	Shenango.....	Lake.
" .....	First Ohio.	" .....	Beav'r Valley.
" .....	Brookville.	Shiloh.....	Indiana.
" .....	Garnett.	" .....	Butler.
Ridge.....	Muskingum.	Sialkot.....	Sialkot.
Rix's Mills.....	"	Shushan.....	Argyle.
Robinson.....	Frankfort.	Silba.....	Egypt.
Robinson's Run.....	Mon'gahela.	Sidney.....	Sidney.
Rochester.....	Caledonia.	Siloam Springs.....	Pittsburg.
Rock Island.....	Rock Island.	Silver Creek.....	Sidney.
Rock Prairie.....	Wisconsin.	Sioux City.....	N. W. Iowa.
Rock Rift.....	Delaware.	Sinnoris.....	Egypt.

Slippery Rock.....	Butler.	Turtle Creek.....	Westmorel'd.
Smith Creek.....	Monmouth.	Tuscarora.....	Big Spring.
Smyrna.....	Brookville.	Union.....	Mon'gahela.
Somerville.....	Princeton.	“.....	Butler.
Somouauk.....	Chicago.	“.....	S. Illinois.
South Argyle.....	Argyle.	“.....	Des Moines.
Southfield.....	Detroit.	“.....	Westmorel'd.
South Henderson.....	Monmouth.	Uniontown.....	Wheeling.
South Omaha.....	Omaha.	Unionville.....	Xenia.
Sparta.....	S. Illinois.	Unity.....	Wheeling.
Spokane.....	Spokane.	“.....	Westmorel'd
Spring Creek.....	Central Ills.	“.....	Chillicothe.
Springdale.....	Allegheny.	“.....	First Ohio.
Springfield.....	Butler.	“.....	Des Moines.
“.....	Xenia.	Utica.....	Mansfield.
“.....	S. Illinois.	“.....	Lake.
“.....	Pittsburg.	Venice.....	Chartiers.
Spring Hill.....	Indiana.	Vernon.....	Wisconsin.
Stafford.....	Ark. Valley.	Verona, First.....	Mon'gahela.
Stamford.....	Delaware.	“ Second.....	“
“.....	Stamford.	Victoria.....	Col. Springs.
Stanwood.....	Le Claire.	Viola.....	Rock Island.
Starkville.....	S. Illinois.	Waitsburg.....	Spokane.
Sterling.....	Ark. Valley.	Walton.....	Stamford.
Sterling Valley.....	Caledonia.	“.....	Delaware.
Steubenville.....	Steubenville.	“.....	Ark. Valley.
Stevensburg.....	Detroit.	Wampum.....	Beav'r Valley.
Stewart's Station.....	Westmorel'd.	Warm Springs.....	Oregon.
Stone Valley.....	Big Spring.	Warren.....	N. Indiana.
Stout's Run.....	Chillicothe.	Washburn.....	Central Ills.
Stow.....	Cleveland.	Washington, First...	Chartiers.
Stronghurst.....	Monmouth.	“ Second..	“
Suft el Leben.....	Egypt.	“ Third...	“
Suft Meidum.....	“	“.....	Muskingum
Sugar Creek.....	Xenia.	“ First...	Keokuk.
Sugar Grove.....	Lake	“ Second...	“
Sugar Run.....	Xenia	Waterford.....	Lake.
Summerfield.....	Pawnee.	Watson's Run.....	“
Summerset.....	Des Moines.	Welda.....	Garnett.
Summit.....	Lake.	Wellsville.....	Steubenville.
Sunbeam.....	Rock Island.	West Alexander.....	Wheeling.
Sunnydale.....	Ark. Valley.	West Beaver.....	Steubenville.
Superior.....	Pawnee.	West Charlton.....	Albany.
Susquehanna.....	Brookville.	West Chester.....	Keokuk.
Sycamore.....	First Ohio.	West Delhi.....	Delaware.
Sylvania.....	Pittsburg.	West Fairfield.....	Conemaugh.
Tacoma.....	Puget Sound.	West Hebron.....	Argyle.
Tarentum.....	Allegheny.	West Hoboken.....	New York.
Tarkio.....	Col. Springs.	West Kortright.....	Delaware.
Taylorstown.....	Chartiers.	West Liberty.....	Butler.
Thompsonville.....	New York.	West Middlesex.....	Mercer.
Thornville.....	Muskingum.	West Middletown...	Chartiers.
Tingley.....	Col. Springs.	Westminster.....	Keokuk.
Tionesta.....	Brookville.	“.....	Boston.
Tippecanoe.....	Muskingum.	“.....	New York.
Tiro.....	Mansfield.	West Newton.....	Westmorel'd.
Toledo.....	Sidney.	West Sunbury.....	Butler.
Topeka, First.....	Kansas City.	West Union.....	Allegheny.
“ Second.....	Kansas City.	“.....	Princeton.
Toronto.....	Steubenville.	“.....	Conemaugh.
Towner.....	Ark. Valley.	West Unity.....	Butler.
Traer.....	C'd'r Rapids.	Wheatland.....	Chicago.
Tranquility.....	Chillicothe.	Wheeling.....	Wheeling.
Trigari.....	Gujranwali.	“.....	Chartiers.
Troy.....	Albany.	White Oak.....	Des Moines.
“.....	Detroit.	White Oak Springs...	Butler.
Tumlinson's Run.....	Frankfort.		

Whitinsville.....	Boston.	Xenia, First.....	Xenia.
Wichita.....	Arkans's Val'y	Xenia, Second.....	Xenia.
Wildomar.....	Los Angeles.	“ Third.....	“
Wilksburg, First....	Monongahela.	Xenia Prairie.....	S. Illinois.
“ Second..	“		
Wilkinsonville.....	Boston.	Yellow Creek.....	Steubenville.
Willamette.....	Oregon.	York.....	Caledonia.
Wilmerding.....	Westmorel'd	“.....	College Sp'gs
Wilsonville.....	Pawnee.	Yorkville.....	Wisconsin.
Wilton.....	Chicago.	Youngstown, First...	Cleveland.
Winfield.....	Keokuk.	“ Second..	“
Winterset.....	Des Moines.		
Wirt.....	College Sp'gs	Zafarwal.....	Gurdaspur.
Wooster.....	Mansfield.	Zanesville.....	Muskingum.
Worcester.....	Boston.	Zawiyet Amwat....	Egypt.
Worthington.....	Butler.	Zelienople.....	Butler.
Wurtemberg.....	Beaver Vy.	Zerabi.....	Egypt.
Wyoming.....	Le Claire.		

## IV. MISCELLANEOUS.

## 1. SUCCESSION OF OFFICERS OF THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY.

## MODERATORS.

A. D.	Place of meeting.	Name.	Presbytery.
1858.	Pittsburgh, Pa.....	* Rev. John T. Pressly, D.D.....	Allegheny.
1859.	Xenia, O.....	* Rev. Peter Bullions, D.D.....	Albany.
1860.	Philadelphia, Pa.....	* Rev. Joseph Clokey, D. D.....	Xenia.
1861.	Monmouth, Ill.....	* Rev. R. D. Harper, D.D.....	Xenia.
1862.	Pittsburgh, Pa.....	* Rev. Jos. T. Cooper, D.D., LL.D.	Philadelphia.
1863.	Xenia, O.....	* Rev. A. Young, D.D., LL.D.....	Monmouth.
1864.	Philadelphia, Pa.....	* Rev. D. A. Wallace, D.D., LL.D.	Monmouth.
1865.	Washington, Iowa.....	* Rev. John B. Clark, D.D.....	Allegheny.
1866.	Allegheny, Pa.....	* Rev. David R. Kerr, D.D., LL.D.	Monongahela.
1867.	Xenia, O.....	* Rev. John B. Dales, D.D., LL.D.	Philadelphia.
1868.	Argyle, N. Y.....	* Rev. James Harper, D.D., LL.D.	1st New York.
1869.	Monmouth, Ill.....	Rev. R. A. Browne, D.D.....	Mercer.
1870.	Pittsburgh, Pa.....	* Rev. T. S. Kendall, D.D.....	Oregon.
1871.	Xenia, O.....	* Rev. R. A. McAyeal, D.D.....	Des Moines.
1872.	Washington, Iowa.....	* Rev. John S. Easton, D.D.....	Westmoreland.
1873.	Philadelphia, Pa.....	Rev. John Y. Scouller, D.D.....	First Ohio.
1874.	Monmouth, Ill.....	Rev. John G. Brown, D.D.....	Monongahela.
1875.	Wooster, O.....	Rev. W. W. Barr, D.D.....	Philadelphia.
1876.	Philadelphia, Pa.....	* Rev. James Brown, D.D.....	Keokuk.
1877.	Sparta, Ill.....	Rev. Robert B. Ewing, D.D.....	Monongahela.
1878.	Cambridge, O.....	* Rev. S. G. Irvine, D.D.....	Oregon.
1879.	New Wilm'gton, Pa.....	* Rev. Wm. Bruce, D.D.....	Xenia.
1880.	Xenia, O.....	Rev. E. T. Jeffers, D.D.....	Mercer.
1881.	Allegheny, Pa.....	Rev. David W. Carson, D.D.....	Frankfort.
1882.	Monmouth, Ill.....	Rev. David Paul, D.D.....	Muskingum.
1883.	Pittsburgh, Pa.....	Rev. Wm. H. McMillan, D.D.....	Allegheny.
1884.	St. Louis, Mo.....	Rev. Wm. H. French, D.D.....	First Ohio.
1885.	Topeka, Kan.....	* Rev. Wm. Johnston, D.D.....	College Springs
1886.	Hamilton, O.....	Rev. John T. Brownlee, D.D.....	Chartiers.
1887.	Philadelphia, Pa.....	Rev. Matthew M. Gibson, D.D.....	San Francisco.
1888.	Cedar Rapids, Iowa.....	Rev. Wm. T. Meloy, D.D.....	Chicago.
1889.	Springfield, O.....	Rev. E. S. McKittrick, D.D.....	Allegheny.
1890.	Buffalo, N. Y.....	Rev. Andrew Watson, D.D.....	Egypt.
1891.	Princeton, Ind.....	* Rev. Thomas J. Kennedy, D.D.....	College Springs
1892.	Allegheny, Pa.....	Rev. David MacDill, D.D.....	Xenia.
1893.	Monmouth, Ill.....	Rev. James Bruce, D.D.....	Delaware.
1894.	Albany, Ore.....	Rev. John A. Wilson, D.D.....	Mansfield.
1895.	Pittsburgh, Pa.....	Rev. J. B. McMichael, D.D.....	Monmouth.
1896.	Xenia, O.....	Rev. James White, D.D.....	Kansas City.
1897.	Rock Island, Ill.....	Rev. Thomas H. Hanna, D.D.....	Monmouth.

\*Deceased.

## PRINCIPAL CLERKS.

1857...Rev. Samuel Wilson, D. D.	1866...Rev. James Prestley, D. D., <i>pro tem</i> .
1859...Rev. James Prestley, D. D.	1867...Rev. Joseph T. Cooper, D. D.
1863...Rev. Joseph T. Cooper, D. D.	1875...Rev. William J. Reid, D. D.

## SECOND CLERK.

1868...Rev. A. G. Wallace, D. D.

## TREASURERS.

1859...James McCandless.	1893...Thomas Jamison.
1896...John D. Fraser.	

## 2. THE BOARDS.

## TRUSTEES OF THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY:—

Term Expires.

John D. Fraser, S. L. McHenry, H. W. McKee.....	1898
Graham Scott, R. E. Stewart, Esq., James H. Scott.....	1899
Rev. Samuel Collins, D. D., Rev. R. J. Miller, D. D., R. S. McCague....	1900

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*Treasurer.*—John D. Fraser, Monongahela National Bank, Pittsburgh, Pa.

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Rev. Chas. S. Cleland, Rev. D. W. Collins, D. D., Rev. M. G. Kyle, D. D.	1898
Robert L. Latimer, William Neeley, Rev. S. G. Fitzgerald .....	1899
Rev. James Crowe, Samuel Walker, William A. Brown.....	1900

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 Sabbath, October 17, 1897, Day of Prayer for Sabbath Schools.  
 Sabbath, November 28, 1897, Day of Prayer for Temperance.  
 Wednesday, January 26, 1898, Day of Prayer for Colleges.  
 March 31, 1898, End of Financial Year for Contributions.  
 April 30, 1898, End of Financial Year for Accounts of Treasurers of the Boards.

Tuesday, May 10, 1898, 7.45 p. m., The Women's General Missionary Society, in Cleveland, Ohio; Mrs. Mila Meek, President, Sandusky, Ind. The Women's Missionary Board meets on the first Tuesday of each month at 10 A. M., in Room 704 Publication Building, Pittsburgh, Pa.; Mrs. Mary W. Porter, Secretary, Boston, Allegheny County, Pa.

Wednesday, May 8, 1898, The General Committee of Home Missions, Tarkio, Mo.

Wednesday, May 25, 1898, 7.30 p. m., The General Assembly, in Central Church, Omaha.

Sabbath, June 12, 1898, Missionary Day for Sabbath Schools.

#### MEETINGS OF SYNODS:—

*First West.* Monday, October 4, 1897, 7.30 p. m., Beaver Falls, Pa.; Rev. H. H. Hervey, D. D., Stated Clerk.

*Illinois.* Tuesday, October 5, 1897, 7.00 p. m., Coulterville, Ill.; Rev. Andrew Renwick, Stated Clerk.

*Ohio.* Tuesday, October 5, 1897, Second Church, New Concord, O.; Rev. W. H. Vincent, D. D., Stated Clerk.

*Columbia.* Wednesday, October 6, 1897, Waitsburg, Wash.; Rev. A. F. Kirkpatrick, Stated Clerk.

*Nebraska.* Thursday, October 7, 1897, Second Church, Pawnee City, Neb.; Rev. C. H. Mitchell, Stated Clerk.

*Second.* Tuesday, October 12, 1897, Spring Hill, Ind.; Rev. E. C. Simpson, D. D., Stated Clerk.

*Iowa.* Tuesday, October 12, 1897, Lenox, Iowa; Rev. W. R. Gray, Stated Clerk.

*Kansas.* Wednesday, October 13, 1897, Sterling, Kan.; Rev. J. W. Long, Stated Clerk.

*New York.* Tuesday, October 19, 1897, 7.30 p. m., Second Church, Jersey City, N. J.; Rev. A. S. Biddle, Stated Clerk.

*Pittsburgh.* Tuesday, October 19, 1897, 7.30 p. m., Greensburg, Pa.; Rev. J. S. Speer, D. D., Stated Clerk.

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*California.* \_\_\_\_\_, 1899, \_\_\_\_\_; Rev. M. M. Gibson, D. D., Stated Clerk.

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*First Quarter:* July, August and September; Foreign Missions.

*Second Quarter:* October, November and December; Home Missions.

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#### 13. APPROPRIATIONS.

	Amount.	Av. per Member.
To Foreign Missions.....	\$115,000	\$1 03
“ Home Missions.....	103,000	92
“ Freedmen's Missions.....	50,000	45
“ Church Extension.....	50,000	45
“ Education:—		
For Regular Work.....	10,000	9
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“ Ministerial Relief.....	8,000	7
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