## MINUTES

OF THE

SIXTY-FIFTH ANNUAL SESSION

OF

# The Allegheny Conference

OF THE

Wesleyan Methodist Connection, or Church, of America

HELD AT

TITUSVILLE, PA., MARCH 18-21, 1908.

Elder P. B. CAMPBELL, President, Rev. L. H. McLEISTER, Secretary.

WESLEYAN METHODIST PUBLISHING ASSOCIATION SYRACUSE, N. Y.

#### CONFERENCE OFFICERS FOR ENSUING YEAR.

President:—P. B. Campbell, New Castle, Pa.

Vice-President:—D. B. Hampe, Canton, Ohio.

Secretary:—I. H. McLeister, New Castle, Pa.

Secretary:-L. H. McLeister, New Castle, Pa.

Assistant Secretary: D. B. Hampe, Canton, Ohio.

Treasurer:-C. Leslie Smith, Indiana, Pa.

Sub-Treasurer Superannuated Ministers' Fund:—P. D. Cutshall, Franklin, Pa.

#### CONFERENCE BOARD OF TRUSTEES.

John Case, Term Expires, 1909.

Albert D. Fero, Term Expires 1910.

Peter B. Campbell, Term Expires 1911.

John R. Babcock, Term Expires 1912.

Philip D. Cutshall, Term Expires 1913.

#### STANDING COMMITTEES.

Committee on Presidency:—G. W. Richardson, P. D. Cutshall, C. W. Pelton, J. R. Babcock, Fleming Perrine.

Advisory Board:-J. R. Babcock, J. H. Hogg.

Judicial Committee:—J. R. Babcock, C. L. Smith, S. E. Graves, J. H. Ellett.

Missionary Board:—Elder P. B. Campbell, Chairman Ex-Officio. S. E. Graves, Mary C. Cordner.

Itinerancy and Orders:—P. B. Campbell, 1st year; J. R. Bab-cock, 2nd year; W. H. Kennedy, 3rd year.

Tithing Secretary:-W. H. Williams.

#### CONFERENCE ROLL.

- J. Case, ---, Albion, Pa.
- J. H. Ellett, 3 days, Beloit, Ohio.
- P. B. Campbell, 4 days, 7 Harrison St., New Castle, Pa.
- P. D. Cutshall, 3 days, Franklin, Pa.
- G. W. Richardson, 3 days, Middlefield, Ohio.
- A. D. Fero, 1 day, Falconer, N. Y.
- D. B. Hampe, 4 days, 226 E. South St., Canton, Ohio.
- F. W. Cox, 2 days, 265 Dudley Ave., Providence, R. I.
- L. W. Strong, 1 day, Franklin, Pa.
- J. R. Babcock, 3 1-2 days, Sandy Lake, Pa.
- W. H. Kennedy, 4 days, Conneaut, Ohio.
- W. Ingersoll, 2 1-2 days, Indiana, Pa.
- N. F. Robb, --, Springboro, Pa.

S. E. Graves, 2 1-2 days, Indiana, Pa.

C. L. Smith, 3 days, Indiana, Pa.

A. T. Vestal, -, Senecaville, Ohio.

F. J. Davis, 3 1-2 days, Indiana, Pa.

I. F. McLeister, 4 days, 729 Princeton St., Akron, Ohio.

W. A. Backus, 3 days, Pleasantville, Pa.

J. M. Humphrey, —, 2609 Central Ave., Cleveland, Ohio. Sarah E. Shultz, 1 day, Falconer, N. Y.

### ELDERS ON SUPERANNUATED LIST.

T. K. Doty, 2 1-2 days, West 84th St., Cleveland, Ohio.

J. H. Ellett, ---, Beloit, Ohio.

#### CONFERENCE PREACHERS' LIST.

Clara T. Williams, Massillon, Ohio.

W. A. Lawrence, Conneautville, Pa.

Lizzie T. Spangler, Wilmore, Pa.

W. H. Williams, Massillon, Ohio.

Grace Chadwick, Barberton, Ohio.

Emma Oates, Kunso, Sierra Leone, W. Africa.

Junia S. Hubbard, Albion, Pa.

L. H. McLeister, Rigby, Pa.

Clara McLeister, 729 Princeton St., Akron, Ohio.

Ettie Hayward, Homer City, Pa.

Vanus Smith, Kunso, Sierra Leone, W. Africa.

Fannie M. Wike, Moultrie, Ohio.

C. W. Pelton, Conneaut, Ohio.

A. M. Cordner, Pittsfield, Pa.

J. B. Hawkins, Struthers, Ohio.

A. H. Norris, Conneautville, Pa.

Lula Tanner, Kunso, Sierra Leone, W. Africa.

John W. Taylor, Sierra Leone, W. Africa.

W. H. Armstrong, Youngsville, Pa.

T. C. Shane, Cherry Tree, Pa.

Mary C. Cordner, Pittsfield, Pa.

H. L. Grimes, Rochester, Pa.

#### DELEGATES.

Order: Name, attendance, charge and postoffice. Lydia Cole, 2 1-2 days, Keepville, Albion, Pa. Tabitha York, 2 days, Akron, Akron, Ohio.

Mrs. J. H. Hogg, I day, Titusville, Pa. D. R. Darrow, 2 1-2 days, Struthers, Struthers, Ohio. W. H. Armstrong, 2 1-2 days, Mechanicsburg, Youngsville, Pa. Jas. Moyer, 4 days, Ashville, Boomertown, Pa. Clara Richardson, 3 days, Middlefield, Middlefield, Pa. John Dunkerly, 4 days, New Castle, New Castle, Pa. Lucy Carroll, 3 1-2 days, New Castle, Rigby, Pa. G. P. Brown, 3 1-2 days, Mt. Pleasant, Meadville, Pa. Fleming Perrine, 2 1-2 days, Sandy Lake, Stoneboro, Pa. Rufus Copeland, 2 days, Stewart Run, Pleasantville, Pa. Emma E. Muman, 2 days, Pine Grove, Lovejoy, Pa. . Mrs. Maud Head, 3 days, Brown Hill, Youngsville, Pa. S. Henninger, 2 days, Canton, Canton, Ohio. Adella Burnes, 1 1-2 days, Sugar Creek, Franklin, Pa. Ellen White, I I-2 days, Sugar Creek, Franklin, Pa. Mary C. Cordner, I 1-2 days, Pittsfield, Pittsfield, Pa. Clara Metcalf, I day, Titusville, Titusville, Pa. Frank J. Shaw, 2 days, Barberton, Barberton, Ohio. W. H. Philips, 2 days, Rochester, Rochester, Pa. W. A. Lawrence, 1-2 day, Cranes Corners, Conneautville, Pa. Geo Enty, 1 1-2 days, Templeton, Templeton, Pa.

#### JOURNAL OF DAILY PROCEEDINGS.

The Allegheny Annual Conference of the Wesleyan Methodist Connection (or Church) of America, convened for its sixty-fifth session with the church at Titusville, Pa., in their mission room over 27 Diamond Street, at 9 o'clock A. M., March 18, 1908.

President P. B. Campbell called the conference to order.

Conference opened by devotional services conducted by Elders T. K. Doty and J. H. Ellett reading Phil. 3.

The roll was called, eleven elders, six licentiates and three from the quarterly conference roll responded to their names.

The President appointed Elder S. E. Graves and W. H. Williams a Committee on Credentials. They reported eleven delegates from the various charges.

Roll was arranged and names called. (See roll.)

On motion the bar of conference was fixed to include the first four tiers of seats. On motion the time of opening and closing the meetings of this conference session was fixed as follows: The morning meeting to open at 8:30 and close at 11:30. Afternoon meeting to open at 1:30 and close by vote.

By vote of conference the following committees were elected.
On Religious Services, The President, P. B. Campbell, the pastor in charge, D. B. Hampe and Clara Metcalf delegate from Titusville charge.

On report of pastors to the annual conference, Elder J. R. Babcock, Fleming Perrine.

On Statistics, L. H. McLeister, S. E. Graves.

Auditing and Finance, A. D. Fero, I. F. McLeister and John Dunkerly.

On Itinerancy and Orders, P. B. Campbell, J. R. Babcock, W. H. Kennedy.

On Memorials, T. K. Doty, Francis W. Cox, Lydia Cole.

On Revisal of Resolutions, J. R. Babcock, C. Leslie Smith, I. F. McLeister, P. B. Campbell, Fleming Perrine.

On Thanks, J. R. Babcock.

On Judiciary, J. R. Babcock, S. E. Graves, C. L. Smith, J. H. Ellett.

On Pastoral Relations, P. B. Campbell, J. R. Babcock, G. W. Richardson, L. W. Strong, Lydia Cole, Fleming Perrine, Tabitha York.

Elder J. H. Ellett, treasurer of the Superannuated fund reported, which was on motion referred to Auditing and Finance Committee (See Report No. 3).

At this point Elder F. L. Presley of the Syracuse conference was introduced to the conference.

On motion it was resolved that all persons introduced to this conference who are free from secrecy and worldliness in apparel, and are in harmony with our doctrine be granted honorary seats in the conference.

The Committee on Itinerancy and Orders rendered partial report and items 1 to 8 inclusive were on motion adopted (See Report No. 7).

At this point the Rev. H. N. Lance of the Evangelical church of Somerville, Mass., was introduced to the conference.

On motion it was resolved that the order of transacting the business of the conference be as follows: Devotional services. 2. Roll call. 3. Reading minutes. 4.
 Unfinished business. 5. Report of Committees. 6. Miscellaneous business. 7. Adjournment.

On motion adjourned to call of the chair.

Conference called to order at II o'clock.

Examination of character taken up. Names of J. H. Ellett, T. K. Doty and G. W. Richardson were called, reported and characters passed.

#### First Day. Afternoon Meeting.

Conference met at 1:30. Called to order by the President. Devotional services conducted by Elder F. L. Presley of the Syracuse Conference.

Roll called twenty-four members responding.

Minutes read, corrected and approved.

Committee on Credentials reported names of Rufus Copeland, Emma E. Muman and Mrs. Maud Head. Names called and added to the list.

Examination of character taken up: Name of P. B. Campbell called. Elder J. R. Babcock was called to the chair and Brother Campbell reported as President of conference. (See Report No. 1.)

On motion the report was considered item by item.

Item I was read and on motion Elders T. K. Doty, F. W. Cox and Sister Lydia Cole were elected a Committee on Memorials and on motion item I was referred to Committee on Memorials.

Items 2, 3, and 4 were adopted.

At this point Elder J. H. Bowen, Connectional Agent and Secretary, was introduced to the conference.

Item 5 was referred to Auditing and Finance Committee.

Item 6 part 1, was on motion adopted; part 2 was referred to Auditing and Finance Committee.

Part 3, on motion, D. B. Hampe, L. H. McLeister, S. E. Graves and I. F. McLeister the chairman of the several districts were elected a committee to prepare and present to this conference a paper on the districts and conventions.

Part 4 was on motion adopted.

On motion the question of dividing up the missionary money collected at camp-meeting was referred to Auditing and Finance Committee.

Name of A. D. Fero called, reported and character passed.

Elder F. N. Fox, pastor of the Free Methodist church of the city, was introduced to the conference.

Name of F. W. Cox called, reported, and character passed.

Sister Hattie B. Crosby, returned missionary from Africa, was introduced to the conference.

Names of J. R. Babcock, W. H. Kennedy, W. Ingersoll, S. E. Graves, were called, reported, and characters passed.

Name of A. T. Vestal called, communication read and character passed.

Names of F. J. Davis and I. F. McLeister were called, reported and characters passed.

On motion committee on Pastoral Relations was formed. See Committee elected.

Name of Emma Oates, missionary in Africa called, character passed.

Name of Clara McLeister called, reported and character passed.

Name of Vanus Smith, missionary in Africa, called, character passed.

On motion it was decided that the order of the day Friday, 10 A. M., be the time for election of conference officers.

Committee on Credentials reported names of Samuel Henninger, Adella Burnes and Ellen White. Names called and added to list.

Name of W. A. Backus called, reported, and character passed. On motion adjourned.

#### Second Day. Morning Meeting.

Conference met at 8:30 A. M., called to order by the President, and opened by devotional services conducted by C. Leslie Smith.

Roll called twenty-eight members answering.

Minutes read, corrected and approved.

Committee on Credentials reported which was adopted and names added to roll of delegates.

Name of A. T. Vestal called. Rev. W. H. Williams read statistical report for Massillon charge and communication from Brother Vestal read and his chaacter passed.

Names of L. H. McLeister and J. B. Hawkins called, reported and characters passed.

Name of Lizzie T. Spangler called, communication read and her character passed.

Names of Ettie Haywood, L. W. Strong, C. Leslie Smith called, reported, and their characters passed.

On motion it was resolved that the order of the day for Friday afternoon at two o'clock be the time for the missionary meeting.

Committee on Itinerancy and Orders reported items 9 and 10 which were accepted.

Names of A. E. Jones and Wm. F. Crosby called; they reported and characters passed.

The Secretary reported as treasurer of the money received and expended for delegates' expenses to General conference, (See Report No. 4) and on motion the report was referred to Auditing and Finance Committee.

On motion adjourned.

#### Second Day. Afternoon Meeting.

Conference met at 1:30 P. M.

Called to order by the President, and devotional services conducted by Elder A. D. Fero.

Roll called thirty-four members responding.

Minutes read and approved.

The Committee on Memorials reported (See Report No. 6).

On motion the report was accepted and ordered published in the Wesleyan Methodist and the Christian Harvester.

The Assistant Secretary reported on the publication and sale of the Conference Minutes (See Report No. 5) which was on motion referred to the Auditing and Finance Committee.

On motion Elder J. R. Babcock was elected Committee on Thanks.

Rev. E. Teter, Missionary Secretary, was introduced to the conference.

On motion the order of the day immediately following the election of conference officers to-morrow morning be the time for hearing the Connectional Agent.

Elder A. D. Fero was excused from further attendance upon conference after three o'clock.

Committee on Credentials reported and the name was added to list of delegates.

Name of N. F. Robb called and character passed.

Names of Sarah E. Shultz, Grace Chadwick and C. W. Pelton called, reported and characters passed.

Committee on Credentials reported and the name was added to list of delegates.

Names of W. H. and Clara T. Williams called, reported, and characters passed.

Elder A. D. Fero, chairman of the Auditing and Finance Committee, having been excused from further attendance on motion Elder G. W. Richardson was elected to fill the vacancy on that committee.

On motion it was agreed to have the delegate, Mary C. Cordner, report for the pastor of Pittsfield charge; reported and character passed.

Name of W. A. Lawrence called, reported and character passed. The time for the order of the day having arrived Elder P. B. Campbell preached the conference sermon reading from the Twentieth Century Version II. Cor. 6:1-10. Text I. Tim. 4:6: subject, a good minister of Christ Jesus.

On motion adjourned.

### Third Day. Morning Meeting.

The sunrise prayer-meeting conducted by Elder J. H. Ellett continued until 8:30 A. M. Conference called to order by the President.

Roll called thirty-eight members answering.

Minutes read, corrected, and approved.

A correspondence from N. F. Robb was read.

Committee on Credentials reported and name was added to list of delegates.

The chairman of the districts reported, the paper was on motion adopted (See Report No. 10).

The Committee on Itinerancy and Orders reported item 11 which was accepted.

On motion it was resolved that the devotional services in openof conference to-morrow morning be given to the tithing secretary to make his report.

On motion it was decided to proceed to choose place for holding next conference session. Invitations were received from Stewart Run, Barberton and Bethesda churches.

The roll was called and votes taken, Stewart Run receiving four, Barberton twenty-two and Bethesda eight votes. Barberton was chosen. Conference to meet March 17th, 1900.

Name of J. M. Humphrey called, and character passed.

Names of Junia S. Hubbard and P. D. Cutshall called, reported, and characters passed.

The charges were taken up and Ashville called; F. D. Kline reported and character passed.

Templeton called; George Enty reported and character passed. On motion it was resolved to elect a committee for revising the standing resolutions of the conference. On motion committee was formed (See committees elected).

A resolution on tobacco was presented.

The Rev. A. Meeker of the United Brethren conference, was introduced to the conference.

The time for the order of the day having arrived conference proceeded to election of conference officers.

Ballots were cast for President; Elder P. B. Campbell having received the majority of votes cast was declared elected.

Ballots were cast for Vice-President and Elder D. B. Hampe having received the majority of votes was declared elected.

Ballots were cast for Secretary; L. H. McLeister having received the majority of votes cast was declared elected.

Ballots were cast for Assistant Secretary; D. B. Hampe having received the majority of votes cast was declared elected.

On motion Elder J. R. Babcock and J. H. Hogg were elected Advisory Board.

On motion G. W. Richardson, J. R. Babcock, P. D. Cutshall and Fleming Perrine and C. W. Pelton were elected Committee on Presidency.

Ballots were cast for Trustee and Philip D. Cutshall was elected Trustee for the term of five years.

On motion S. E. Graves and Mary C. Cordner were elected to the Missionary Board.

On motion J. R. Babcock, S. E. Graves, C. L. Smith and J. H. Ellett were elected a Judiciary Committee.

On motion reconsidered the question of hearing our Connectional Agent and Secretary.

And on motion it was resolved that the order of the day tomorrow at 10 A. M. be the hearing of our Connectional Agent.

W. H. Williams the Tithing Secretary having been called home on account of sickness, on motion Elder F. J. Davis was elected Tithing Secretary pro tem.

On motion the resolution on tobacco was referred back for revision.

Charges were taken up and Rochester called; H. L. Grimes reported and character passed.

Name of D. B. Hampe called, reported and character passed.

On motion adjourned, benediction by Rev. F. N. Fox of the Free Methodist church.

### Third Day. Afternoon Meeting.

Conference called to order by the President at 1:30 P. M. Devotional services conducted by Elder W. Ingersoll.

Roll called thirty-three members responding.

Minutes read and approved.

An offering was taken for the Secretary amounting to \$9.05. -C. L. Smith, Conference Treasurer reported (See Report No. 12).

On motion referred to Auditing and Finance Committee.

The resolution on tobacco was reported and on motion adopted (See Resolution).

The time for the order of the day having arrived the missionary meeting was held; returned missionary Sister Hattie B. Crosby presented the foreign work and E. Teter, Missionary Secretary, the home work. An offering was taken amounting to \$137.50. Cash, \$36.50; pledges, \$101.

On motion adjourned.

### Fourth Day. Morning Meeting.

Conference called to order by the President 8:30 A. M., the Tithing Secretary making report and presenting the question of tithing (See Report No. 11).

Roll called twenty-five responding. Minutes read and approved. Auditing and Finance Committee reported (See Report No. 13).

On motion item 1 was adopted. Item 2 referred back for revision. Item 3 was on motion adopted. Item 4 referred back. Item 5 was adopted. Item 6 was referred back for revision. Item 7 was on motion adopted.

On motion P. D. Cutshall was elected Treasurer of Superannuated Fund with instructions to receive funds from former treasurer as soon as possible.

Elder J. T. Broadhead, returned missionary of the Free Methodist church was introduced to the conference.

On motion it was resolved that the Conference Treasurer be elected by ballot.

Ballots were cast and C. Leslie Smith was elected Conference Treasurer.

The order of the day was called and Elder J. H. Bowen, Connectional Agent presented the Connectional interests to the conference and \$220 was pledged to the Publishing Association.

On motion time for adjournment was extended.

On motion W. H. Williams was elected Tithing Secretary.

Committee on Statistics reported (See Report No. 9) and with correction was adopted.

S. E. Graves was excused from further attendance.

On motion adjourned.

#### Fourth Day. Afternoon meeting.

Conference called to order by the President 1:30 P. M.

Devotional services conducted by Elder J. T. Broadhead of the Free Methodist church.

Roll called twenty-two responding.

Minutes read, corrected and approved.

Auditing and Finance Committee reported. Item 2 on motion adopted. Item 4 on motion adopted. Item 6 was adopted. Item 8 was adopted.

On motion the report of Auditing and Finance Committee was adopted as a whole.

The verbal report of D. B. Hampe concerning the use of the Tabernacle was on motion adopted.

On motion D. B. Hampe was given the oversight of the tabernacle for this year.

Committee on Standing Resolutions reported and report on motion adopted (See Resolutions).

Committee on Itinerancy and Orders reported item 12; on motion adopted.

The order of the day was called and memorial services of Sister Sarah Kennedy were conducted, and Elder T. K. Doty preached to the conference.

On motion it was resolved that we consider Sarah E. Shultz a suitable person to be ordained. On motion Sarah E. Shultz was elected to elder's orders.

Committee on thanks reported (See Report No. 8) which was on motion adopted with recommend that it be read in the churches to-morrow morning and given to the daily paper.

The motion to make it the sense of this conference that the Wesleyan Methodist be advanced to \$1.50 per annum was lost.

On motion it was resolved that we print the standing resolutions in the minutes.

On motion it was resolved that an order be drawn on the treasurer for \$25 in favor of the Publishing House in payment for the books in Course of Study purchased by the conference.

On motion it was decided that the secretaries be instructed to have the Conference Minutes published and an order be drawn on the Treasurer for amount sufficient to pay for same, and that they receive money for sale of minutes and turn proceeds into the treasury.

Names of J. Case and Fannie M. Wike called and characters passed.

On motion adjourned to call of the chair.

Conference called to order by the chair.

Committee on Pastoral Relations reported (See Report No. 14). Items I to 7 inclusive were on motion adopted and on motion the report as a whole was adopted.

Committee on Itinerancy and Orders reported item 13 which was adopted. On motion conference adjourned to call of chair.

Conference called to order by chair.

The District chairman reported as follows:

Titusville District reported election of P. D. Cutshall Chairman, F. E. Kline Secretary, W. H. Armstrong Treasurer, and a convention to be held in Pittsfield in May. On motion adopted.

New Castle District reported election of L. H. McLeister Chairman, Mrs. J. R. Babcock Secretary, J. B. Hawkins Treasurer, a convention to be held in New Castle May 20 to 24. On motion adopted,

Akron District reported election of I. F. McLeister Chairman, Clara McLeister Secretary and Treasurer. Convention April 14 to 19. On motion adopted.

Indiana District reported election of C. L. Smith Chairman, Ettie Hayward Secretary. On motion adopted.

Minutes were read, corrected and approved.

Moved by Elder T. K. Doty and seconded by I. F. McLeister,

that conference adjourn sine die. Motion prevailed. Prayer by President.

P. B. Campbell, President. L. H. McLeister, Secretary.

#### REPORT No. 1 .- PRESIDENT'S REPORT.

"The Lord of the harvest" who has so graciously kept the Allegheny conference under his watchful eye and careful hand for sixty-four years still abides with us.

- I. It has seemed good to Him to call our beloved Sister, Elder Sarah Kennedy, from labor to her joyous reward on the 22nd of February, 1908. We bow our heads in humble submission and amidst our keen sense of loss say, "Thy will be done."
- 2. We have received during the year, Elder W. A. Backus, by letter of transfer from the Lockport conference; and Elder J. M. Humphrey, on the presentation of parchments from the Old Time Methodist Church. He having given satisfactory evidence of being in harmony with us in doctrine, experience and practice.

Both of these brethren have been received subject to the acceptance of this report.

3. The charges "In care of President" have been provided for as follows:

Ashville, Brother Floyd E. Kline appointed. He has served the work faithfully and has been asked to remain another year.

Pine Grove. To the south part of this charge we appointed Elder W. Ingersoll on the next day after the rise of conference. He has continued upon the charge through the year and in that time held ten weeks' special meetings. We did not succeed in getting a supply for the north part of this charge until Dec. 1, 1907, at which time Brother T. C. Shane was appointed. He has given good service and has been called to remain next year.

Rochester. The request of the charge to have Brother H. L. Grimes continue serving them was approved, resulting in an almost continuous revival throughout the year. He has been called to remain next year.

Templeton. Brother George Enty was appointed to this charge, and has served acceptably through the year.

4. Four houses of worship have come into our possession during the year by deed. Two of them also by dedication. One of the others was dedicated last year, and the other will soon be

ready for dedication. Of the two churches dedicated the one located on Brown Hill, Warren Co., Pa., is a small but neat building sufficient for the ordinary congregations, and with its excellent horse sheds is valued at \$1100. The other in Massillon, O., is small, neat, well located, and suitable for the present congregation, and with the large corner lot on which it is located is valued at \$2,000. Both of these houses have been paid for through the energies of our consecrated pastors and people of these charges.

5. The President and Missionary Board paid, by order on the treasury during the year, to Mount Pleasant charge the sum of \$10; and to Pleasant Valley charge the sum of \$10. These appriations were made on account of the meager pittance the pastors receive on these charges.

The \$100 appropriated by our last session of conference for indebtedness on Ashville church property has been paid and receipt for same in hand.

The terms stipulated by last session of conference have been met by Barberton church and \$100 paid from treasury on indebtedness of that church. Receipt in hand.

Rent on Conference Safety Deposit box (No. 21) in bank at Stoneboro, Pa., paid up to May 3rd, 1908, amounting to \$2. Receipt in hand.

Salary: Received from quarterly and other meetings during the year, \$488.30. Received from conference treasurer, \$61.70. Total, \$550.

The President recommends for the favorable consideration of the conference the following:

6. I. That two hundred and fifty copies of the conference minutes be published in pamphlet form annually and paid for from conference treasury. Also that all moneys received from sale of said minutes be paid into the conference treasury. 2. That \$100 be appropriated from building fund to payment on indebtedness on Brown Hill charge parsonage, on condition that said parsonage property be deeded to the conference in regular Disciplinary form.

3. That the preliminary organization of District Holiness Conventions in the conference be made permanent and as effective as may be. 4. That a full set of books as named in the Disciplinary Course of Study be purchased by the conference, and that they be loaned to members of conference who are taking the course of study, on conditions that they be well cared for and put in the

hands of Committee on Itinerancy and Orders when called for and at the place designated.

P. B. Campbell.

#### REPORT No. 2.-MISSION ACCOUNT.

Received from Stoneboro Camp offering \$187; on pledges, \$121.50; Total, \$308.50.

Disbursements, \$235.87; In bank, \$72.63.

P. B. Campbell.

#### REPORT No. 3.-TREASURER OF SUPERANNUATED FUND.

Balance on hand at conference, 1907, \$441.20; Received from charges at conference, 1907, \$96.10; Received interest, \$16; Total cash receipts, \$553.30.

Paid to Snivley heirs, \$50; Paid to Elder T. K. Doty, \$80; Total paid out, \$130; Balance on hand at conference, 1908, \$423.30.

J. H. Ellett, Treasurer.

## REPORT No. 4.—REPORT OF DELEGATES' EXPENSES TO GENERAL CONFERENCE.

Cash received from all the charges, \$78.80.

Cash paid to P. B. Campbell, \$17.70; Cash paid to F. Perrine, \$16; Cash paid to C. P. Rank, \$22.17; Cash paid to D. B. Hampe, \$18.79; Money order and postage, \$.08; Total paid out, \$74.74. Balance paid into Conference treasury, \$4.06.

D. B. Hampe, Com.

# REPORT No. 5.—REPORT OF SALE OF ANNUAL CONFERENCE MINUTES.

Number of copies sold, 184, \$18.40; Express charges and postage, \$1.91; Cash turned into conference treasury, \$16.49.

L. H. McLeister.

#### REPORT No. 6.-MEMORIALS.

Your Committee on Memorials submits the following report on the death of our beloved Sister in the Lord, Elder Sarah Kennedy:

Whereas, The God of all mercies has released from earth to heaven, Sister Sarah Kennedy:

- I. Therefore, Resolved, That although the stroke of death was sudden and unexpected, we humbly bow to His loving and all-wise providence.
- 2. We recognize her undivided abandonment to the will of God, and her deep spiritual experience; also her great fidelity and merit as a preacher of righteousness and true holiness.
- 3. In the name of the Lord, whose she was, and of the Allegheny conference, of which she was a worthy member for nearly four years, we extend loving sympathy to her husband, Elder Wm. H. Kennedy and his family, in their great bereavement.

Your committee submits the following form of obituary:

#### Mrs. Sarah Kennedy.

Sarah Kennedy was born near West Liberty, Ohio, March, 1837. She was married to W. H. Kennedy of Marion, Ohio, in 1872. She died at her home near Springboro, Pa., February 22, 1908. One daughter was born to them who died a few years ago, she leaving one son. Two sons of Brother Kennedy reside in Indiana each having a family. Sister Kennedy was converted at the age of fourteen and joined the Methodist Episcopal church. She with her husband joined the Wesleyan connection in 1876. She was sanctified in 1872, licensed to preach in 1877 and ordained an elder in 1882. She engaged with her husband in pastoral and evangelistic work in Indiana, Ohio, and Pennsylvania and was a teacher and preacher of signal power. For many years she enjoyed and exemplified a religious experience of unusual grace. Her husband testifies that she was wise and safe in counsel, prudent in all of her affairs and strong in her attachments. August 5th she slipped and sprained her ankle by which she was kept in for about five months; a little over six months from her fall she fell again continuing her confinement to her room. Inactivity induced dropsy of the heart, which caused her death. The morning of her death she ate a hearty breakfast, engaged in private and family worship and at about 9:30 A. M. raised her eyes upward, gave a few short breaths and was gone. With not a pain or struggle but like a bird loosed from its cage her pure spirit slipped away to glory.

Also, would refer the time of the Memorial Service to the Committee on Public Worship.

Thos. K. Doty, Francis W. Cox, Lydia Cole, Committee.

#### REPORT No. 7.—ITINERANCY AND ORDERS.

Your Committee on Itinerancy and Orders submits the following report:

- I. Elder F. J. Davis was examined in Lee's Theology, last half, 78 per cent; History of Reformation, last half, 78 per cent. This completes his studies.
- 2. Elder S. E. Graves was examined in History of Reformation, first half, receiving 100 per cent. We recommend that he continue his studies.
- 2. I. F. McLeister was examined in Christian Evidence, 97 per cent.; Wayland's Moral Science, 100 per cent., Mental Philosophy, 100 per cent. This completes his course of study and we recommend that he be ordained an elder in the Church of God according to the usages of the Wesleyan Methodist Church.
- 4. L. H. McLeister was examined in Wesley's Sermons Vol. I., receiving 94 per cent., M'Ilvane's Christian Evidences, 99 per cent., Wesley's Sermons, Vol. II., 97 per cent., Lee's Theology, second half, 95 per cent., Philosophy of the Plan of Salvation, 94 per cent. We recommend that he continue the course of study.
- 5. A. H. Norris, was examined in Binney's Compend and received 79 per cent., Wesley's Plain Account of Christian Perfection and received 95 per cent. Lectures on Preaching 100 per cent., Baptism of the Holy Ghost 92 per cent., Lee's Theology, first half, 97 per cent., Natural Theology 95 per cent. We recommend that he continue the course of study.
- 6. F. E. Kline was examined in Robert's Rules of Order and received 98 per cent., Natural Theology, 97 per cent. We recomment that he continue in the course of study.
- 7. Sister Lulu Tanner having received a recommendation from the Keepville quarterly conference and John W. Taylor from that of Homer City and both having been received by the Connectional Missionary Board and given mission work in Africa we recommend that they be received and their names be placed on the list of licentiates.
- 8. Robert Fulton received a recommendation from the Titusville church and W. H. Armstrong from Mechanicsburg. We recommend that they be received and their names placed upon the list of licentiates.
- 9. Clara McLeister was examined in Kidder's Homiletics, receiving 100 per cent., Lee's Natural Theology 100 per cent., M'Il-

vane's Christian Evidences 100 per cent., Wesley's Sermons, Vol. II., 97 per cent., Church History, first half 100 per cent., Lee's Theology, first half 100 per cent. We recommend that she continue the course of study.

- 10. T. C. Shane having received a recommendation from the quarterly conference of Mechanicsburg church we recommend that he be received and his name placed on the list of licentiates.
- 11. Mary C. Cordner having been recommended by the Pittsfield charge we recommend that she be received and her name be placed on the list of licentiates.
- 12. H. L. Grimes having passed into deacon's orders in the denomination from which he came to us and having been recommended by the Rochester church to this body, we recommend that he be received and that his name be placed on the list of licentiates.
- 13. George P. Brown having been recommended by the quarterly conference of Mt. Pleasant charge, we recommend that he be received and continue in course of study as per conference record of 1899.
  - P. B. Campbell, J. R. Babcock, W. H. Kennedy, Tabitha York, Lydia Cole, Committee.

#### REPORT No. 8.-THANKS.

Whereas we the members and visitors of the 65th session of the Allegheny Annual Conference of the Wesleyan Methodist Church of America having been so cordially received and royally entertained by the people of Titusville,

Resolved, That we as a body do hereby express our heartfelt thanks and appreciation of their kind hospitality, and pray that God's richest blessings may rest on them to the honor and glory of His name.

J. R. Babcock, Committee.

## REPORT No. 9.—STATISTICAL REPORT.

See tabulated form.

# REPORT No. 10.—COMMITTEE ON DISTRICT HOLINESS CONVENTIONS.

In keeping with the temporary organization effected at Stoneboro camp of Aug., 1907, and as provided for in our late Discipline, and having realized the special blessing of the Lord on our Districts through the Holiness Conventions already held, we recommend to the consideration of this conference the following report:

- That the Allegheny annual conference herewith form a permanent organization providing for the holding of District Holiness Conventions.
- 2. That the conference be divided into four districts, known as Akron, New Castle, Titusville and Indiana, each embracing territory and charges as follows:

Akron District:—Akron, Canton, Barberton, Massillon, Pleasant Valley and Middlefield charges.

New Castle District:—New Castle, Rochester, Mechanicsburg, Struthers, Sandy Lake, Keepville, Cranes Corners and Mt. Pleasant charges.

Titusville District:—Titusville, Sugar Creek, Stewart Run, Pittsfield, Cottage Hill, Brown Hill, Ashville and Lyndon Park charges. Indiana District:—Indiana, Homer City, Pine Grove, and Templeton charges.

- 3. That pastors and conference workers of each district meet at each annual conference session as soon as possible after report of Committee on Pastoral Relations and from their number elect a Chairman, Secretary and Treasurer to serve one year.
- 4. That it shall be the duty of the Chairman to preside at the convention and with the entertaining pastor arrange for same, advertise meetings and call at least one business meeting during each convention of which due notice shall be given to each pastor and conference worker.
- 5. That the conference consider it a duty that each of its members attend these conventions and that each District Chairman report conventions at the annual conference said report to include attendance of each pastor of district.
- 6. We suggest that a report of each convention be sent to the Wesleyan Methodist and to the Christian Harvester for publication.
  - D. B. Hampe, Chairman Titusville District; S. E. Graves, Chairman Indiana District; L. H. McLeister, Chairman New Castle District; I. F. McLeister, Chairman Akron District.

#### REPORT No. 11. TITHING REPORT.

There has been reported from the various charges 360 tithers, an increase of 36 compared with last year. Charges not reporting, 5.

W. H. Williams, Conference Tithing Secretary.

#### REPORT No. 12 .- CONFERENCE TREASURER'S REPORT.

For conference year, March 23, 1907, to March 20, 1908, inclusive.

Dollar Plan Account:—Dr.: To cash paid E. Teter \$367.71; To amount transferred to conference mission account, one-fourth of \$490.28, \$122.57. Total \$490.28.

Dollar Plan Account, Cr., To cash from all charges, \$490.28. Foreign Mission Account, Dr.: To cash paid E. Teter and J. H. Bowen \$164.59.

Cr.: To cash from all charges \$164.59.

Home Mission Account, Dr.: To cash paid E. Teter and J. H. Bowen \$99.24.

Cr.: To cash from all charges, \$99.24.

Conference Mission Account, Dr.: To cash D. B. Hampe traveling expenses, .75; To cash P. B. Campbell, Balance due as President, \$40.39. To cash C. L. Smith, traveling expense, \$1.40. To cash J. H. Bowen, publishing conference minutes, \$25. To cash P. B. Campbell, postage, deposit box and other sundry expenses \$12.75. To cash Fannie M. Wike, pastoral labors \$10. To cash W. Lawrence, pastoral labors \$10. To cash P. B. Campbell, balance salary third quarter \$37.40. To cash P. B. Campbell, balance salary for year \$24.30. Balance on hand to this account \$157.09. Total \$319.08.

Conference Mission Account, Cr.: By balance from last year, \$175.96. By Dollar Plan, one-fourth of \$30, \$7.50. By cash for conference minutes sold \$16.49. By cash surplus from delegates' expenses \$4.06. By cash from Dollar Plan one-fourth of \$460.28, \$115.07. Total \$319.08.

Conference Building Fund, Dr.: To cash account Ashville church \$100. To cash account Barberton church \$100. To balance \$167.78. Total \$367.78.

Building Fund, Cr.: By cash from Shelhammer church \$130.78.

By cash from Damascus church \$237. Total \$367.78.

Conference Treasurer's Account, Recapitulation, Dr.: To balance in treasury, by bank account \$129.71. By cash \$203.74. Total \$333.45. Cr.: By cash balance conference mission account \$157.09. By cash balance Building Fund account \$167.78. By cash interest \$8.58. Total 333.45. Respectfully submitted.

C. Leslie Smith.

#### REPORT No. 13. AUDITING AND FINANCE.

Your Committee on Auditing and Finance begs leave to submit the following report:

- I. We find the account of J. H. Ellett, Treasurer of Superannuated Fund to be correct.
- 2. We find Item No. 5 of the report of the President to be correct.
- We find the report of D. B. Hampe concerning delegates' expenses to be correct.
- 4. We find the report of L. H. McLeister concerning sale of conference minutes of 1907 to receipted account for 184 copies which were sold for \$18.40 minus \$1.91 for expressage and mailing, leaving net receipt of \$16.49.

Cost of printing \$25, leaving \$8.51 which was paid out of the treasury.

We recommend that 250 copies of the conference minutes be published annually as recommended in Part I, Item 6 of President's report.

- 5. We find the report of C. Leslie Smith, conference treasurer, to be correct.
- 6. It has been evident for some time that more active work in conference home missions has been a crying need. We therefore recommend that a fund be created known as the "Conference Home Mission Fund" to be expended for opening up or aiding new work within the bounds of the conference, at the order of the President and Advisory Board.

This fund to be provided for as follows: That the \$72.63 now in the hands of the President, \$25 of which was a special offering, the remainder being one-fourth of the missionary offering at Stone-boro camp of August, 1907, be used for this purpose, and in the future that the missionary offering of the Stoneboro camp and conference be divided equally between this fund and foreign missions unless otherwise specified.

- 7. We recommend that the sum of \$100 from the superannuated fund be paid to Elder T. K. Doty in quarterly payments.
- 8. We recommend Part 2, Item 6 of the President's report concerning an appropriation to Brown Hill charge to favorable consideration of the conference.

Geo. W. Richardson, John Dunkerly, I. F. McLeister, Committee.

## REPORT No. 14.—REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON PASTORAL RELATIONS.

We the Committee on Pastoral Relations beg leave to submit the following report:

- I. We recommend that it be the duty of the President P. B. Campbell to travel through the conference, holding quarterly meetings and performing such other duties as are assigned him by the book of Discipline, and that he receive a salary of \$550.
- 2. List of charges: We also recommend that the work be supplied as follows: Akron, Ohio, I. F. and Clara McLeister; Ashville, N. Y., F. E. Kline; Barberton, Ohio, Grace Chadwick; Brown Hill, Pa., W. H. Armstrong; Canton, Ohio, D. B. Hampe; Cottage Hill, Pa., W. F. Crosby, by appointment of President; Cranes Corners, Pa., A. H. Norris; Homer City, Pa., Ettie Hayward; Indiana, Pa., C. Leslie Smith; Keepville, Pa., John Case; Massillon, Ohio, W. H. and Clara T. Williams; Mechanicsburg, Pa., C. P. Munson, by appointment of President; Middlefield, Ohio, G. W. Richardson; Mt. Pleasant, Pa., W. A. Lawrence; New Castle, Pa., L. H. McLeister; Pine Grove, Pa., F. J. Davis and T. C. Shane; Pittsfield, Pa., A. M. and Mary C. Cordner; Pleasant Valley, Ohio, Fannie M. Wike; Rochester, Pa., H. L. Grimes; Sandy Lake, Pa., J. R. Babcock; Stewart Run, Pa., W. A. Backus; Struthers, Ohio, J. B. Hawkins; Sugar Creek, Pa., L. W. Strong; Templeton, Pa., W. W. Rolf, by appointment of President; Titusville, Pa., F. D. Rockwell; Brown Hill, Pa., W. H. Armstrong.
- 3. We also recommend that the President be instructed to appoint W. W. Rolf to supply Franklin of the Sugar Creek charge and Templeton and that \$40 be appropriated by this conference to his support in quarterly payments.
- 4. F. W. Cox to serve Immanuel Holiness church at Providence, R. I.

- 5. W. H. Kennedy granted a letter of transfer to the Indiana conference.
- 6. Lizzie T. Spangler associated with her husband in gospel work at Wilmore, Pa.
- 7. Sarah E. Shultz serving Lyndon Park church, Falconer, N. Y.
  - 8. Superannuated, J. H. Ellett and T. K. Doty.
  - 9. Missionaries to Kunso, W. Africa, Vanus Smith, Emma Oates, Lula Tanner and John W. Taylor.
  - 10. To choose their own field of labor, P. D. Cutshall, A. D. Fero, W. Ingersoll, and N. F. Robb.
  - 11. Returned to their quarterly conference, A. E. Jones, Robert Fulton and G. P. Brown.
  - 12. General Evangelists, S. E. Graves, A. T. Vestal, C. W. Pelton, Mrs. Junia S. Hubbard and J. M. Humphrey.
    - P. B. Campbell, J. R. Babcock, L. W. Strong, G. W. Richardson, Fleming Perrine, Tabitha York, Lydia Cole, Committee.

## STANDING RESOLUTIONS OF THE ALLEGHENY ANNUAL CONFERENCE.

- I. The character of ministers who fail to take collections for superannuated ministers cannot be passed except by vote of conference.
- 2. Evangelists shall in their report make a statement of the amount received toward their support.
- 3. It is the sense of this conference that pastors have no right to strike the name of any member from the church record without action from the church.
- 4. That a committee of finance be elected to which all action regarding disbursement of funds, except missionary, be referred.
- 5. That a column headed parsonage rent and donations be added to the conference statistical report.
- 6. When a pastor hears it reported that a member of his charge is a member of a secret society, he shall at his earliest convenience, visit such member and ascertain from him the facts in his case and if true, labor with him as per Discipline.
- 7. That our pastors and people make it a matter of special prayer and effort to get souls saved, sanctified and brought into church membership with us in our quarterly meetings.

- 8. That a list of the names of the licentiates recommended to and received by conference, but not having had work assigned them, be kept as a reserve force and that their names be called at least twice during a conference session.
- 9. We agree with our Discipline that the use of tobacco is a great evil, therefore we strongly object to our churches or pastors receiving any persons in full membership who use, sell or manufacture this filthy weed.

We also urge upon our pastors and churches to use all their moral influence to oppose this great evil by both example and precept in and out of the pulpit.

#### RELIGIOUS SERVICES.

Each meeting of the conference session was opened with religious services.

Revival services were conducted each evening, Tuesday evening W. H. Williams preached, Wednesday W. H. Kennedy, Thursday I. F. McLeister, Friday Grace Chadwick, Saturday W. A. Backus, Sunday L. H. McLeister.

The sunrise prayer-meeting conducted by J. H. Ellett on Friday morning was owned and blessed of God. Much freedom was found in prayer and testimony which continued until the opening of conference.

The Lord's day services began by love-feast, conducted by Elder G. W. Richardson after which the ordination sermon was preached by Elder E. Teter from I. Timothy 4:16 and was rich in divine truth and greatly appreciated.

I. F. McLeister and Sarah E. Shultz were then ordained elders.

A Healing service was conducted by Elder C. Leslie Smith at 5 o'clock which was approved by the Spirit. Following this was a baptismal service, the President officiating.

At 6:30 o'clock in commenoration of the sufferings and death of our Savior, the sacrament of the Lord's Supper was administered, Elder J. H. Bowen officiating.

The revival service following was a time of salvation.

By invitation Elders W. H. Kennedy and J. R. Babcock occupied the pulpit of the Free Methodist church.

L. H. McLeister, Secretary; D. B. Hampe, Assistant Secretary.

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S. E. GRAVES, L. H. McLEISTER, Committee.