

MINUTES
OF THE
FIFTEENTH ANNUAL SESSION
OF THE
South Ohio Conference
OF THE
Wesleyan Methodist Connection,
or Church, of America
HELD AT
PARKERSBURG, WEST VIRGINIA,
AUGUST 26-31, 1908.

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CONFERENCE ROLL.

Elders.

Artis, J. E., 526 S. 12th St., Richmond, Ind.
Bass, D. E., 1608 5th St., Dayton, Ohio.
Dyson, A. A., Dayton, Ohio.
Gifford, B. B., 414 E. Auburn Ave., Bellefontaine, Ohio.
Gifford, B. V., 414 E. Auburn Ave., Bellefontaine, Ohio.
Gardener, B., 542 W. 6th St., Cincinnati, Ohio.
Jackson, G. W., R. F. D. No. 8, Parkersburg, W. Va.
Jones, W. F., 803½ Green St., Parkersburg, W. Va.
Kiner, L. C., 722 Maple St., Lockland, Ohio.
Lawrence, A., General Delivery, Marietta, Ohio.
Male, A. C., R. F. D., Belpre, Ohio.
Pierce, H. C., 274 W. Frambes Ave., Columbus, Ohio.
Saine, S. M., S. 13th St., Richmond, Ind.
Thompson, James D., 273 Frambes Ave., Columbus, Ohio.
Mayle, A. P., 253 East St., Hillsboro, Ohio.
Bass, J. E., R. F. D. 8, Greenville, Ohio.
Daniels, J. W., 155 Water St., Columbus, Ohio.

Superannuated.

Clinton, F. H., Ripley, Ohio.

Licentiates.

Bray, D. L., 819 Park St., Findlay, Ohio.

Clark, Emma C., 255 Frambes Ave., Columbus, Ohio.

Donaway, Gertrude, 913 Clay St., Parkersburg, W. Va.
 Gulliford, A. E., 221 Crystal Ave., Findlay, Ohio.
 Nickens, C. S.
 Pauley, J. H., 225 Henry St., Dayton, Ohio.
 Scott, F. A., 568 Gale Ave., Parkersburg, W. Va.
 Tolliver, Peter, Ann St., Parkersburg, W. Va.
 Tyler, C., Columbus, Ohio.
 Thompson, Annie C., 273 Frambes Ave., Columbus, Ohio.
 Walker, S. S., 171 S. Columbus St., Xenia, Ohio.
 Mumford, F. L., 313 S. 10th St., Richmond, Ind.

Delegates.

Hattie Hill,	W. U. J. Burke,
J. R. Patterson,	W. H. Carter,
Cary Williams,	Peter Brock,
C. C. Clark,	Eliza Kittrell,
F. L. Mumford,	W. H. Chandler,
Charles Striblin,	Frances Morton,

BOARD OF CONFERENCE TRUSTEES.

H. C. Pierce, five years; W. F. Jones, four years; G. W. Jackson, three years; J. E. Artis, two years; Peter Brock, one year.

STANDING COMMITTEES.

Credentials and Membership:—S. M. Saine, L. C. Kiner, A. Lawrence.

Elders' Orders:—G. W. Jackson, three years; H. C. Pierce, two years; W. F. Jones, one year.

Statistics:—A. C. Mayle, Frances Morton, J. R. Patterson.

Moral Reform:—H. C. Pierce, W. F. Jones, G. Donaway.

Finance and Claims:—D. E. Bass, A. P. Mayle, S. M. Saine.

First and Second Year's Study:—W. F. Jones, A. C. Mayle, D. E. Bass.

Judicial:—A. C. Mayle, S. M. Saine, J. E. Artis, W. F. Jones.

JOURNAL OF DAILY PROCEEDINGS.

The South Ohio Conference met in its fifteenth annual session August 26, 1908, in the Wesleyan Methodist Church at Parkersburg, W. Va., and was called to order at 9:30 A. M. by the President, Elder G. W. Jackson, of Parkersburg, W. Va., who conducted devotions. The following members answered to roll call:

Elders:—D. E. Bass, B. Gardener, G. W. Jackson, W. F. Jones, L. C. Kiner, A. Lawrence, H. C. Pierce, S. M. Saine, James D. Thompson, A. P. Mayle.

Licentiates:—D. L. Bray, Emma C. Clarke, G. Donaway, F. A. Scott, Peter Tolliver, Annie Thompson, S. S. Walker.

Minutes read and approved.

The President read and explained points of the law in sections 7 and 8, paragraphs 5 and 10.

The chair was empowered to fill all vacancies on the Standing Committees.

The chair appointed L. C. Kiner and A. Lawrence members of the Committee on Credentials and Membership, and H. C. Pierce, A. C. Male, and C. Stribling Committee on Rules and Order of Business.

The Committee on Credentials and Membership made a partial report.

Rev. H. H. Posten of Kansas, Rev. Charles Jones of Chicago, Ill., were introduced to the Conference.

The President made his annual report. Report adopted.

Adjourned by limitation.

Wednesday, 2.30 P. M.

Devotional exercises led by Elder S. M. Saine and Rev. D. L. Bray.

On motion Rev. F. L. Mumford of Dayton, Ohio., was elected assistant secretary.

The President appointed W. F. Jones, A. C. Male, and Charles Striblin a Committee on Religious Services.

On motion G. W. Jackson, D. E. Bass and Cary Williams were elected a Committee on the Examination of Characters.

Rev. Huskins, pastor of the Logan M. E. Church of the city was introduced to the conference and made a few remarks.

The Committee on Religious Services reported.

The chair filled the vacancies of the Standing Committees and appointed D. E. Bass, S. S. Walker and Frances Morton a Committee on Thanks.

The Committee on Credentials and Membership made a second partial report. Report adopted.

On motion adjourned.

Thursday, 9.30 A. M.

Devotional exercises conducted by Rev. F. L. Mumford.

Roll called, minutes read and approved.

The Committee on Credentials and Membership made a third partial report. Report adopted.

On motion S. M. Saine, A. P. Mayle, A. Lawrence, J. R. Patterson and W. H. Carter were elected a Committee on Complaints.

Adjourned by limitation.

Thursday, 2.30 P. M.

Devotions conducted by Rev. S. S. Walker, Xenia, Ohio.

Minutes read and approved.

Rev. E. Obrient, pastor of the African Methodist Episcopal Church, Profs. J. R. Jefferson and H. Hazelwood of Parkersburg, W. Va., and Prof. L. O. Wilson of Weston, W. Va., were introduced to the Conference.

The following elders reported and their characters passed: J. E. Artis, A. A. Dyson, B. V. Gifford (by letter), the latter's character passed conditionally; also D. E. Bass, W. F. Jones, L. C. Kiner, A. Lawrence, A. C. Male, B. Gardener. B. B. Gifford's character passed conditionally.

On motion, the President of the ensuing year, was appointed a committee of one to investigate the charges relative to the character of J. W. Daniels.

Rev. S. W. Bond of Houghton, N. Y., Educational Secretary of the Connection was introduced to the conference.

Adjourned by limitation.

Friday, 9.30 A. M.

Devotions conducted by B. Gardener.

Roll Call. Minutes read and approved.

Rev. S. W. Bond presented the Educational and Missionary interests of the Connection to the conference.

Rev. W. M. Toney, pastor of the Zion Baptist Church of the city was introduced to the conference and as honorary member was accorded a seat within the bar.

Adjourned by limitation.

Friday, 2.30 P. M.

Devotions conducted by Revs. W. H. and A. C. Male.

Roll call. Minutes read and approved.

The names of S. Nickens and H. C. Pierce were called. Both brethren were referred to the Committee on Complaints.

Elders J. D. Thompson and S. M. Saine reported and their characters passed.

The names of Elders F. H. Clinton and J. E. Bass were called. The latter reported by letter; the former is on the super-annuated list. Both characters passed.

The following licentiates reported and their characters passed: D. L. Bray, Emma C. Clark, G. Donaway, F. A. Scott, P. Tolliver, C. Tyler, A. C. Thompson, S. S. Walker. A. E. Gulliford and J. H. Pauley's characters passed conditionally.

Communications were read from L. W. Childs of Cincinnati, Ohio, A. E. Gulliford, Findlay, Ohio; also from the churches at Xenia, Belpre and Columbus.

Elders H. C. Pierce and A. P. Male reported and their characters passed.

Rev. C. S. Nickens reported and his character passed conditionally.

Communications were read from the Findlay, Ohio, and Columbus, Ohio, missions.

Rev. McConnell, pastor of the African Methodist Episcopal Church of Marietta, Ohio, was introduced to the conference.

Rev. W. H. Mayle of the Ohio Conference was accorded a seat within the conference bar.

On motion D. E. Bass, H. Pierce, W. J. Burke and J. R. Patterson were elected a Committee on Pastoral Relations.

On motion adjourned.

Saturday, 9.30 P. M.

Devotions conducted by Elder B. Gardener.

Roll called. Minutes read and approved.

The Committee on Resolutions of Thanks reported. Said report was referred to the Committee.

The Committee on Statistics reported. Said report adopted.

The chair appointed Frances Morton, Hattie Hill, D. L. Bray, a Committee on Memorials.

The Committee on First and Second Year's Study made its first partial report. Report adopted.

Elders H. C. Pierce, A. P. Mayle, and J. R. Patterson were appointed a Committee on Petitions of Finance and Claims.

Elder A. C. Male, Conference Treasurer, reported. Report adopted.

Conference proceeded to elect officers for the ensuing year, after making an order to the effect that the nominee receiving the highest number of votes be declared elected and the one receiving the next highest be declared elected as assistant. The election resulted as follows:—

President:—G. W. Jackson.

Vice-President:—A. C. Male.

Secretary:—G. Donaway.

Assistant Secretary:—F. L. Mumford.

Treasurer:—A. C. Male.

Financial Secretary:—A. P. Male.

Advisory Board:—H. C. Pierce, ministerial member; J. R. Patterson, lay member.

Committee on Presidency:—Elders D. E. Bass, B. Gardener, W. F. Jones, ministerial members; W. J. Burke, W. H. Carter, lay members.

A motion prevailed that the Judicial Committee succeed itself.
The present Committee on First and Second Year's Study was elected to succeed itself.

Elder G. W. Jackson was elected a member of the Committee on Elder's Orders for three years.

Elder H. C. Pierce was elected a member of the Board of Trustees for five years.

Adjourned by limitation.

Saturday, 2.30 P. M.

Devotions conducted by Rev. C. S. Nickens.

Roll call. Minutes read and approved.

The Committee on Moral Reform reported. Report adopted.

The Committee on Petitions of Finance and Claims reported.
Report adopted.

The President turned \$7.50, the interest on the Corbitt money, over to the Conference Treasurer.

The Committee on First and Second Year's Study made a second partial report. Report adopted.

The Committee on Elder's Orders reported. Report adopted.

On motion the following brethren were elected a committee to locate and formulate plans to secure a conference home for the aged within the conference boundary: C. S. Nickens, L. C. Kiner, and D. E. Bass.

Report of Committee on Finance and Claims. Report adopted.

A motion prevailed that the Secretary compile the minutes and that the work of printing them should be done at our own Publishing House.

On motion the President of the conference was elected Conference Evangelist for the ensuing year.

B. Gardener, A. C. Male, S. M. Saine were elected a committee to adjust the financial proportions of the Conference Evangelist.

On motion conference accepted the invitation extended by the Xenia, Ohio, church to convene in their city next year.

On motion adjourned.

Saturday, 8 P. M.

Conference held an adjourned meeting.

Roll called, minutes read and approved.

On motion each pastor was ordered to sell the copies of the conference minutes which he receives, turn the money over to the Conference Treasurer and report the number of copies remaining

On motion Elder W. F. Jones was elected a committee of one to make investigations relative to the Corbitt money.

On motion Elder G. W. Jackson was elected a committee of one to make investigations concerning the estate of the conference at Albany, Ohio.

The Committee on Presidency reported. On motion said report was referred to the committee.

On motion the Committee on Pastoral Relations reported. Report adopted.

On motion the conference adjourned to meet at Xenia, Ohio, the last Wednesday in August, 1909.

May God let His richest blessings rest upon the work of each brother and sister during the year. And may many souls be saved and sanctified through the blood. This is the prayer of your humble secretary,

Gertrude Donaway.

SECRETARY'S NOTES.

God wonderfully poured out His Spirit upon us during this session of conference.

RELIGIOUS NOTES.

Wednesday, 11 A. M.—Prayer and Praise Service.

Wednesday, 8, P. M.—Preaching by D. E. Bass, Dayton, O.

Thursday, 11, A. M.—Prayer and Praise Service led by Elder B. Gardener, Cincinnati, Ohio., Rev. D. L. Bray, Findlay, Ohio.

Thursday, 8 P. M.—Missionary meeting, D. L. Bray presiding.

Friday, 11.30 A. M.—Preaching J. D. Thompson, Columbus, Ohio.

Friday, 8, P. M.—Preaching, Rev. W. H. Male, Cutler, Ohio.

Saturday, 8, P. M.—Temperance Lecture, Elder H. C. Pierce, Columbus, Ohio.

Sunday, 9.30—Love Feast led by Revs. D. L. Bray and C. Tyler.

Sunday, 2.30, P. M.—Preaching by Elder H. C. Pierce.

Sunday, 8 P. M.—Preaching by Elder B. Gardener.

Special sermons to be preached at the next annual conference:—Annual sermon, Tuesday 8 P. M. by the President. Doctrinal sermon, Elder A. C. Mayle, Belpre, Ohio. Missionary sermon, Rev. Gertrude Donaway, Parkersburg, W. Va. Memorial sermon, Elder H. C. Pierce, Columbus, Ohio.

When Elder A. Lawrence of Marietta, Ohio, came before the Committee on Examination of Characters, his character passed. But when his delegate went before the Committee on Pastoral Relations he requested that Brother Lawrence be removed or not returned on account of presumptuous rumors; so the matter fell into the hands of the Advisory Board. The President with one member of the Advisory Board attempted to investigate the charges. The church in harmony with Elder Lawrence defied the committee and prevented the investigation. So we left him there under censure by the delegate. Therefore the board recommends that Elder Lawrence be referred to the Judicial Committee at the next annual session of conference.

G. W. Jackson.

H. C. Pierce.

REPORTS.

Report No. 1.

We, your Committee on Rules and Order of Business, beg leave to submit the following report:—

Conference to convene at 9.30 A. M. Adjourn by limitation. The afternoon session to begin at 2 P. M. The evening session to be devoted to religious services.

The Woman's Home and Foreign Missionary Society to hold its annual session, Thursday, 8 P. M.

The first five seats across the church shall constitute the conference bar.

Saturday evening to be devoted to Temperance meeting to be led by Elder A. C. Male. Elder H. C. Pierce and others will speak.

S. M. Saine, A. Lawrence, L. C. Kiner, Committee.

Report No. 2.

We, your Committee on Credentials and Membership, submit the following report:—

The following persons have appeared before us with proper credentials and are hereby recommended to a seat as delegates during this annual session: Hattie Hill, Richmond, Ind., J. R. Patterson, Long, Ohio; Carey Williams, Hillsboro, Ohio; E. C. Clarke, Columbus, Ohio; F. L. Mumford, Dayton, Ohio; Charles Striblin, Barlowe, Ohio; W. J. Burke, Marietta, Ohio; and W. H. Carter, Findlay, Ohio; Peter Brock, Parkersburg, W. Va.; Frances Morton, Pomeroy, Ohio; Eliza Kittrell, Hillsboro, Ohio; W. H. Chandler, Cedaridge, Ohio.

S. M. Saine, A. Lawrence, L. C. Kiner, Committee.

Report No. 3.

This is to certify that F. L. Mumford of Dayton, Ohio, has appeared before us with proper credentials from his quarterly conference.

We therefore recommend that he be received and that he go before the Committee on Itinerary and Orders.

Respectfully submitted,

S. M. Saine, A. Lawrence, L. C. Kiner, Committee.

Report No. 4.

We, your Committee on Complaints, beg leave to submit the following report:—

C. S. Nickens came before us and preferred false charges against H. C. Pierce which were detrimental to the latter.

We, as a committee, after hearing the facts in the case, and the confession from the lips of Brother Nickens that he had wilfully wronged Brother Pierce and hearing Brother Pierce grant him the pardon that he so humbly asked for, we do hereby recommend that Brother Nicken's character pass.

S. M. Saine, A. P. Mayle, A. Lawrence, J. R. Patterson, W. H. Carter, Committee.

Report No. 5.

We, your Committee on Moral Reform beg leave to submit the following report:—

Whereas, we believe that as Wesleyan Methodists our Discipline stands for all that is good, pure and holy, that we will strive under God to carry out its rules to the best of our ability.

Resolved, that we as Wesleyan Methodist ministers will do our best this year to circulate Wesleyan Methodist literature among the members of our denomination.

Resolved, that we will work more faithfully for the cause of missions this year than ever before.

Resolved, that as foes without are striving so hard to tear down our work that we will labor to promote a greater spirit of unity in our conference and will keep in closer touch with each other during the year.

Resolved, that we as Wesleyan Methodists believe firmly in the prohibition of the liquor traffic with a party behind it.

The ramifications of the liquor traffic which by instinctive coalition with the gambler, the white slave dealer, the blackmailer, and the whiskey-oiled old party machine has begotten a gigantic vice trust with headquarters in every great city.

Resolved, that these ramifications extend into every strata of

society and have affected with the subtle virus of indifference every vein and artery of the body politic, and were it to continue undisturbed it would in time paralyze every social energy and stifle the consciences of the people.

Resolved, that its nationally developed system of official sanction and license for an annual cash bribe to the state itself has been the parent of a thousand forms of special privileges granted every powerful corporation the land over.

Resolved, that the underlying principle which assumes that a license can ever legitimize or endow with respectability a traffic whose existence under all conditions breeds slum crimes, misery, disease, drunkenness, pauperism, Sabbath desecration, prostitution, graft, civic corruption and degeneration.

Resolved, that the liquor traffic is responsible for 5,000 suicides, 10,000 murders, 60,000 young women beginning a life of shame, and one half a million young men beginning a life of drunkenness, and 100,000 murdered men every year.

H. C. Pierce, G. Donaway, W. F. Jones, Committee.

Report No. 6.

We, your Committee on Resolutions of Thanks, beg leave to submit the following report:—

Resolved, that we tender our successive thanks to Rev. Jones, his congregation and all the churches of the city for the hospitable manner in which they entertained us. Also that we thank the choir whose lovely songs of praise we enjoyed so much.

Resolved, that we heartily commend our presiding officer, Rev. Jackson, for the able manner in which he has conducted the sessions of conference.

Be it further resolved, that we successively thank Rev. E. Obrient, of the African Methodist Episcopal Church, Rev. W. M. Toney, of the Baptist Church, and Rev. Huskins of the Logan Methodist Episcopal Church for their kind words of cheer and encouragement.

D. E. Bass, S. S. Walker, Frances Morton, Committee.

Report No. 7.

We, your Committee on Elder's Orders, beg leave to submit the following report:

No candidates appeared before us for ordination this year.

G. W. Jackson, H. Pierce, W. F. Jones, Committee.

Report No. 8

We, your Committee on First and Second Year's Study, beg leave to submit the following report:

Brother F. L. Mumford came before us and having failed to be examined before his quarterly conference was examined by this committee and passed a satisfactory examination. We therefore recommend that he be admitted into conference and that he take up the first year's studies.

W. F. Jones, D. E. Bass, A. C. Mayle, Committee.

Report No. 9.

We, your Committee on First and Second Year's Study, beg leave to submit the following report:

After carefully examining the papers of Gertrude Donaway and finding an average of $88\frac{1}{4}$ per cent. on the first year's study we recommend that she pass to the second year's study.

Also S. S. Walker, P. Tolliver, C. Tyler, Emma Clarke and Annie Thompson came before us stating that they were not ready for examination but would be next year. We recommend that they continue the first year's studies.

D. L. Bray also came before us and stated that she was not ready for the second year's examinations. We recommend that she continue in that year's work.

W. F. Jones, D. E. Bass, A. C. Mayle, Committee.

Report No. 10.

We, your Committee on Memorials, beg leave to submit the following report:

Whereas, it has pleased the all wise Providence to remove from our midst many of our loved ones we humbly submit to His will.

The Death Aangel visited Pomeroy, Ohio, and took U. B. Harper.

Hillsboro, Ohio.—Jane Meyers, Anna Harris, Sr., Anna Kittrell, Henry Whaley.

Marietta, Ohio.—Diantha Fletcher.

Girta, W. Va.—Sister Adams.

Xenia, Ohio.—Rachel Jenkins.

Dayton, Ohio.—Henry Raymie, Bessie Raymie Wilberforce.

Ripley, Ohio.—Mr. Anderson.

Safe in the arms of Jesus,

Safe on his gentle breast

There by his love o'er shaded

Sweetly my soul shall rest.

Frances Morton, Hattie Hill, Della Bray, Committee.

Report No. 11.

We, your Committee on Finance and Claims, beg leave to submit the following:

Printing of Minutes, \$10; secretary, \$5; Express charges, \$3.50; Rev. B. Gardener, \$5; Rev. S. S. Walker, \$5; Rev. Nickens borrowed on thirty days' time, \$2.50; Rev. Kiner borrowed on thirty days' time, \$4.25; Superannuated fund, \$2.

Respectfully submitted,

D. E. Bass, A. P. Mayle, S. M. Saine, Committee.

Report No. 12.

We, your Committee on Statistics, beg leave to submit the following report:

Hillsboro, O., A. P. Mayle, pastor:—Time employed, 1 year. Appointments 1. Churches 1. Membership: received 10, expelled

1, discontinued 2, died 5, granted letters 1, present number 46, baptized 3. Periodicals: Wesleyan Methodists 2, Wesleyan lesson Helps 24. Sabbath Schools: 1, superintendents 1, teachers 3, scholars 40, books in library 140. Meeting houses 1, value \$1,000. Parsonage 1, value \$400. Pastor's salary \$300. Evangelist's receipts \$29.62. President's salary \$7.50. Missions \$4.00. Conference missions \$1.60. Sabbath schools \$17.17. Incidental expenses \$68.96. Other benevolent objects \$3.50. Total \$440.75.

Ripley, O., L. C. Kiner, pastor:—Time employed 1 year. Appointments 1. Churches 1. Membership: received 4, expelled 1, died 1, granted letters 0, present number 30. Periodicals: Wesleyan Methodists 2, Wesleyan Lesson Helps 20. Sabbath Schools: 1, superintendents 1, teachers 2, scholars 15. Meeting houses 1, value \$800. Pastor's salary \$100.78. Evangelist's receipts \$10.90. Total \$111.60.

Richmond, Ind., Pastor, C. S. Nickens:—Time employed 10 months. Appointments 1. Churches 1. Membership: received 8, present number 58, baptized 1. Sabbath Schools: 1, superintendents 1, teachers 4, scholars 40, books in library 40. Number of meeting houses 1, value \$2,000. Parsonages 1, value \$300. Pastor's salary \$199.30. Sabbath Schools \$19.19. Building and repairs \$12.18. Incidental Expenses \$100.70. Other benevolent objects \$9.70. Total \$448.50.

Dayton, O., D. E. Bass, pastor:—Time employed 1 year. Appointments 1. Membership: received 38, died 1, present number 175, baptized 20, unstationed elders 1, licentiates 5. Periodicals: Wesleyan Methodists 1, Wesleyan Lesson Helps 150. Sabbath School: 1, superintendents 1, teachers 10, scholars 10, books in library 1,200. Meeting houses 1, value \$4,000. Pastor's salary \$550. Evangelist's receipts \$25.67. Superannuated ministers \$1.00. Home missions \$10. Conference missions \$3.15. Sabbath schools \$80. Building and repairs \$297.01. Incidental expenses \$240.31. Other benevolent objects \$20. Total \$1,237.14.

Long, O., H. C. Pierce, pastor:—Time employed 1 year. Appointments 1. Churches 1. Membership: received 16, expelled 1, discontinued 1, died 1, granted letters 1, present number 76, baptized 8, licentiates 1. Periodicals: Wesleyan Methodists 2, Wes-

Wesleyan Lesson Helps 40. Sabbath Schools: 1, superintendents 1, teachers 4, scholars 40, books in library 40. Meeting houses 1, value \$1,000. Pastor's salary \$160. Evangelist's receipts \$20. Incidental expenses \$25. Total \$367.01.

Cedaridge, O., A. C. Mayle, pastor:—Time employed 1 year. Appointments 1. Churches 1. Membership: received 17, discontinued 8, present number 48, baptized 16. Periodicals: Wesleyan Methodists 1. Sabbath Schools: 1, superintendents 1, teachers 3, scholars 56, books in library 75. Meeting houses 1, value \$700. Pastor's salary \$100, due \$7.48. Evangelist's receipts \$6.15. Home missions \$1.30. Conference missions \$260. Building and repairs \$12.00. Incidental expenses \$19.90. Total \$124.92.

Xenia, O., S. S. Walker, pastor:—Time employed 1 year. Appointments 1. Churches 1. Membership: 16, expelled 5, died 1, present number 16, baptized 1, licentiates 3. Periodicals: Wesleyan Lesson Helps 26. Sabbath Schools: 1, superintendents 1, teachers 4, scholars 18, books in library 100. Meeting houses 1, value \$1,800. Pastor's salary 0. Evangelist's receipts \$8.50. Superannuated ministers .25. Missions .25. Home missions .25. Conference missions \$1. Educational Enterprises .25. Building and Repairs \$49.60. Incidental expenses \$6.05. Total \$57.49.

Pomeroy, O., W. F. Jones, pastor:—Time employed 1 year. Appointments 1. Membership: died 1, present number 24. Periodicals: Wesleyan Lesson Helps 25. Sabbath Schools: 1, superintendents 1, teachers 2, scholars 25, books in library 50. Meeting houses 1, value \$900. Pastor's salary \$77. Evangelist's receipts \$15. Home missions \$2.00. Conference missions \$1.00. Sabbath Schools \$9.00. Incidental expenses \$17.71. Total \$120.71.

Parkersburg, W. Va., W. F. Jones, pastor:—Time employed 1 year. Appointments 1. Churches 1. Membership: died 1, present number 24. Periodicals: Wesleyan Lesson Helps 50, Wesleyan Methodists 5. Sabbath Schools: 1, superintendents 2, teachers 4, scholars 30, books in library 20. Meeting houses 1, value \$2,000. Pastor's salary \$313.30. Evangelist's receipts \$20.57. Superannuated ministers 50. Conference mission \$1.50. Building and repairs \$152.94. Incidental expenses \$60. Other benevolent objects \$10. Total \$618.81.

Marietta, O., A. Lawrence, pastor:—Time employed 1 year. Appointments 1. Churches 1. Membership: received 20, died 1, present number 10, baptized 6. Periodicals: Wesleyan Methodists 2, Wesleyan Lesson Helps 68. Sabbath Schools: 1, superintendents 1, teachers 2, scholars 57, books in library 160. Meeting houses 1, value \$2,058. Parsonage \$1,500. Pastor's salary \$400. Evangelist's receipts \$13.87. Home missions \$10. Sabbath Schools \$144.20. Incidental expenses \$68.61. Other benevolent objects \$591.68.

Columbus, O., H. C. Pierce, pastor:—Time employed 1 year. Appointments 2. Churches 2. Membership: received 8, expelled 3, discontinued 1, died 1, present number 31, licentiates 2. Periodicals: Wesleyan Methodists taken 2, Wesleyan Lesson Helps 40. Sabbath Schools: 1, superintendents 1, teachers 3, scholars 64, books in library 40. Meeting houses 1, value \$500. Pastor's salary \$162.92. (\$100 donated by pastor). Evangelist's receipts \$20.00. Home missions \$2. Sabbath Schools \$24.09. Incidental expenses \$70.98. Total \$258.99.

Barlowe, O., A. C. Male, pastor:—Time employed 1 year. Appointments 1. Churches 1. Membership: received 1, granted letter 1, present number 28, licentiates 1. Periodicals: Wesleyan Methodists 3. Sabbath Schools: 1, superintendents 2, teachers 3, scholars 40, books in library 60. Meeting houses 1, value \$400. Pastor's salary \$75. Evangelist's receipts \$14.54. Sabbath Schools \$8. Incidental expenses \$5.05. Total \$94.59.

Findlay, O., pastor, W. F. Morgan:—Time employed 4 months. Membership: received 5, expelled 5, present number 13, licentiates 13. Periodicals: Wesleyan Methodists 1. Sabbath Schools: 1, superintendents 1, teachers 3, scholars 10. Pastor's salary \$42.76. President's salary \$9.04. Foreign missions \$1.40. Sabbath Schools \$2.24. Incidental expenses \$36.00. Total \$91.44.

Cincinnati, O., pastor, B. Gardener:—Time employed 1 year. Appointments 1, Number of churches 1. Membership: received 10, present number 30, licentiates 1. Periodicals: Wesleyan Methodists 1, S. S. Banners 15. Sabbath Schools: 1, superintendents 1, teachers —, scholars 2, books in library 30. Pastor's sal-

MINUTES MISSIONARY SOCIETY.

The Fifteenth Annual Session of the South Ohio Conference Missionary Society convened in the Wesleyan Methodist Church at Parkersburg, W. Va., August 27, 1908, at 8 P. M.

Song, Congregation.

Scripture lesson, Gertrude Donaway.

Invocation, Emma Clarke.

Paper, Give by Faith, Mrs. Ida Dyke.

Address, Rev. S. W. Bond.

Paper, Mrs. Effie Robinson, What Home and Foreign Missions Need.

Song, Hark the Voice of Jesus Calling.

The roll of churches was called and responded through their representatives: Hillsboro, O., Mattie Jackson, \$4.; Marietta, O., Annie Carr, \$10; Columbus, O., E. Clarke, \$2; Parkersburg, W. Va., Celia Pierce, \$2.50; Pomeroy, O., Frances Morton, \$2; Dayton, O., \$10; Cedaridge, O., \$1.30; Findlay, O., \$3.40; Xenia, O., \$1.75; Belpre, O., \$1.

The following persons paid their annual dues:

Peter Tolliver, M. Gardener, W. H. Carter, A. C. Male, A. P. Male, C. S. Nickens, Emma Clarke, D. L. Bray, D. E. Bass, W. F. Jones, G. W. Jackson, H. C. Pierce, S. M. Saine, C. Pierce, B. Gardener, Charles Striblin, G. Donaway, E. Solomon, L. C. Jackson, H. Champe, A. Lawrence, Hattie Williams, Lulu Moten, J. D. Thompson, Ezra Holbert, Esther Holbert.

Received in dues, \$9.55, received from churches, \$35.20, received an offering of \$7.17. Total \$51.92. Amount in treasury \$30.92.

Adjournment to meet at the call of the chair.

August 30, 1908.

The society met at the call of the president at 11.30 A. M.

The following officers were elected: President, Columbus Jackson, Vice-President, Della Bray, Secretary, Frances Morton, Assistant Secretary Annie Carr, Treasurer, Rev. G. W. Jackson. Directors, Catherine Artis, Celia Pierce, E. C. Clarke.

The society allowed the following amounts: Printing minutes, \$5; Superannuated fund, \$2.50; Conference Secretary, \$2.50.

On motion Emma C. Clarke was elected missionary superintendent for district No. 1, and Gertrude Donaway for district No. 2.

The Conference President was allowed \$10.

The Missionary Board met Friday morning, August 28, to decide the amount to be given to the General Missionary Agent of the Connection.

A motion prevailed that Rev. S. W. Bond, the agent, be given \$15. Home missions \$5. Foreign missions \$5. Education enterprises \$5.

A request was made by Brother Brock of Parkersburg, W. Va., in behalf of the church concerning the loan made by the society to the church of said place.

On motion adjourned.

D. L. Bray, President,
G. Donaway, Vice-President,
F. Morton, Secretary,
G. W. Jackson, Treasurer.