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NOTES OF CONFERENCE.

From the opening to the close of Conference every session was preceded and followed by devotional exercises, led by brethren who were appointed by the committee on arrangements.

On Tuesday, May 16, at 9.30 A. M., the Examining Board, Publication Board, Home and Foreign Mission Boards, met at the chapel in the Messiah Home and opened with worship by the Conference Secretary.

Bishop M. H. Oberholser was chosen Chairman *pro tem.* and J. R. Zook, Secretary *pro tem.* The roll was called of the respective Boards and Bishop Charles Baker, of the Examining Board was absent. Bishop Jonas Wenger was substituted for this Conference. The Publication Board reported M. L. Hoffman absent and substituted C. O. Musser for this Conference. The Home Mission Board reported Girvin Bearss, Isaac Swalm, H. L. Trump and Samuel Whisler absent and substituted the following brethren for this Conference: George Whisler, Josephus Baker, Christian Sider and B. F. Hoover. All members of the Foreign Mission Board were present.

The members of the different Boards were then instructed to resume their work at once and adjourned to meet in General Conference, of May 15, at 10 A. M.

Wednesday, May 15, 1907, Conference of the Brethren in Christ of the U. S. A. and Canada convened at the Messiah Home, Harrisburg, Pa., and opened with prayer service at 9.30 A. M. At 10 A. M. the Conference Secretary opened Conference with song service and prayer, and appointed the Brethren A. B. Musser, John H. Shank and Peter Climenhaga as a committee to proceed with the election of Moderators, which resulted as follows: Moderator, Bishop Jacob N. Engle; First Assistant, Bishop M. H. Oberholser; Second Assistant, Bishop W. O. Baker. The Moderators-elect then appointed Brethren T. A. Long, Reading Clerk, J. N. Hoover, Secretary, George E. Whisler, Assistant Secretary. The Moderator-elect then read Philippians 2: 1-11, and made some impressive and appropriate remarks as to the conduct of the members of Conference and the seriousness of the work while Conference is in session.

The Conference Secretary then proceeded with the roll call of the delegates, as follows:

Silverdale and Skippack Districts, Pa., Bishop Joseph B. Detwiler.

Philadelphia Mission District, Pa., Peter Stover.

Manor District, Pa., Bishop H. L. Heisey, and Noah Z. Hess.

Donegal District, Pa., Bishop Aaron Martin, J. N. Martin, A. Z. Hess, M. B. Musser and D. G. Heise.

Rapho District, Pa., Bishop Henry B. Hoffer, Daniel Wolgemuth, Henry O. Musser.

Dauphin and Lebanon District, Pa., Bishop Jacob K. Kreider, Jacob L. Brubaker, J. D. Books, Henry K. Kreider.

Lykens Valley District, Pa., J. D. Keefer.

Cumberland District, Pa., Bishop Jonathan Wert, John B. Neisley.

South Franklin District, Pa., including Gilford, Ringgold and Montgomery Districts, Bishops Samuel S. Wingert and John D. Wingert.

North Franklin District, Pa., Bishop M. H. Ober-

holser, John L. Snoke, Henry O. Wingert, William M. Asper.

Morrison's Cove and Centre County District, Pa., Aaron H. Stern.

Pennsylvania State Delegate-at-large, S. R. Smith. Stark County District, Ohio, Bishop W. O. Baker.

Wayne County District, Ohio, W. J. Myers.

Richland and Ashland Districts, Ohio, Bishop B. F. Hoover.

Clark County District, Ohio, J. B. Wingert,

Miami District, Ohio, Bishop J. N. Hoover.

South Dayton District, Ohio, Bishop A. M. Engle.

Ohio Delegate-at-large, Bishop B. F. Hoover.

Elkhart District, Ind., John F. Stump.

Polo District, Ill., by letter.

Chicago Mission, Ill., B. L. Brubaker.

Des Moines District, Iowa, J. H. George.

Dallas Center District, Iowa, H. H. Garwick.

South Dickinson District, Kas., Bishop J. N. Engle, Adam Book.

North Dickinson District, Kas., Bishop M. G. Engle, J. M. Sheets, C. O. Musser.

Oklahoma District, Bishop David Eyster.

Upland District, Cal., J. B. Leaman.

Arizona Mission, no delegate.

Black Creek District, Ont., Bishop Jonas Winger, John Sider, George E. Whisler.

Nottawa District, Ont., Josephus Baker.

Markham District, Ont., Bishop H. R. Heise and Abram Winger.

Waterloo District, Ont., and Elmer, East Mich., J. D. Powell.

Carland Mission District, Jonathan Lyons.

Following the roll call, Conference appointed the following brethren to serve for this Conference on the different Boards, as follows: Jonas Winger, substituted for Charles Baker, on the Examining Board; C. O. Musser, substituted for M. L. Hoffman, on the Publication Board; Josephus Baker,

B. F. Hoover, Christian Sider and George Whisler substituted on Home Mission Board.

The Moderators appointed a committee of twelve brethren to make the appointments for the Examining, Publication, Home and Foreign Mission Boards, to report to Conference no later than the second day of Conference. The following is the committee as appointed: B. F. Hoover, A. O. Zook, A. M. Engle, Samuel Groff, J. W. Book, Benj. Brubaker, John B. Neisley, Noah Z. Hess, Asa Bearss, D. V. Heise, John L. Snoke, S. G. Engle.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS.

Art. 1. Section 1, the Committee on Church Hymnal, as appointed under Art. 21, Conference 1906, reports the following:

Resolved, That the Hymnal Publication Committee could not proceed with the work until there was at least twenty-five hundred dollars paid or subscribed. The fund to be called the Church Hymnal Fund, and since this amount was several hundred dollars short, the committee did not consider it proper to proceed further than to get a few estimates, whereupon Conference adopted the following:

Resolved, That this Conference encourage and authorize the committee who will have charge of this work to proceed with the collection of a Church Hymnal Fund until said fund will warrant to proceed with the publication.

Section 2. *Resolved*, That Conference shall decide what character of notes shall be used if the work of publishing a new Church Hymnal with notes is to proceed. Conference adopted the following:

Resolved, To use the shaped notes in the aforesaid new Church Hymnal.

Section 3. *Resolved*, That if Conference considers it advisable under these conditions to proceed with

the work of making a new Church Hymnal, that another committee should be appointed, whereupon Conference adopted the following:

Resolved, To retain the original Publication Committee, as follows: J. R. Zook, George Detwiler, A. M. Engle, D. V. Heise, S. R. Smith.

Art. 2. Under Art. 2, Conference 1906, there was a balance due S. R. Smith, on behalf of the Conference Index Committee of \$92.12. The committee reported books sold during Conference year amounting to \$85.95, leaving a balance due S. R. Smith of \$6.17, whereupon Conference gave an immediate voluntary offering which amounted to \$34.94. The balance of \$28.77 was tendered for good will and service, which was accepted on condition that it would be turned over to help defray Conference expenses.

Art. 3. A. B. Musser, Treasurer of the Tract Fund, reported the following, which was approved:

Received donations to Tract Fund during Conference year,	\$72 59
Sold tracts,	5 97
Total,	\$78 56

Expenditures.

Paid for printing tracts,	12 50
Balance in hands of A. B. Musser, Treas. of Tract Fund, May 1, 1907,	\$65 76

Art. 4. General Church Treasurer, Bishop Jacob K. Kreider reported the following:

Balance on hand, May 1st, 1906,	\$20 12
Received from five cent assessment, as ordered under Art. 9, Conference of 1906, .	108 10
Total,	\$128 22

Expenditures.

Paid for printing programs,	\$4 00
Paid S. R. Smith, General Conference Secretary, car fare and correspondence expenses,	66 10
Total,	<u>70 10</u>
Balance on hand, May 1, 1907,	\$58 12

Art. 5. Election of General Executive Board, as follows:

M. H. Oberholser, Chambersburg, Pa., R. F. D. No. 2, Chairman; Bishop J. N. Engle, Abilene, Kas., R. F. D. No. 6, Assistant Chairman; A. B. Musser, 68 N. Twelfth St., Harrisburg, Pa., General Treasurer; S. R. Smith, 42 N. Twelfth St., Harrisburg, Pa., General Secretary; Eli M. Engle, Mt. Joy, Pa., R. F. D., Assistant General Secretary.

GENERAL CHURCH WORK.

Art. 6. Conference considered a petition from Philadelphia Mission, requesting the privilege of raising funds for the enlargement of the present Mission Building, and authorized Peter Stover to solicit funds for the purpose of making said improvements, with the understanding that the work shall not be begun until sufficient means are solicited.

Art. 7. A resolution to reconsider Art. 21, Conference 1905, was not adopted.

Art. 8. Conference confirmed the appointment of Jacob Bowers as trustee of Grater's Ford Meeting House, in place of Garrett Kohl.

Art. 9. Conference confirmed the appointment of Peter L. Kreiss as trustee of the Silverdale Meeting House, in place of Albert Kratz.

Art. 10. Conference considered a petition as follows:

WHEREAS, General Conference of 1894, under Art. 2, discouraged members to hold political offices, however referred the matter to be dealt with according to the conditions surrounding such questions, and since there is no discrimination made between political and governmental offices and offices in business corporations, Conference appointed Jonathan Wert, J. R. Zook, H. R. Heise Eli M. Engle and T. A. Long a committee to formulate an answer to this question to report to Conference. Committee's report.

WHEREAS, Governmental offices consist of executive, legislative, judiciary, etc., to occupy some of these would be a violation of the spirit and letter of the gospel, while others would not, for which reason Art. 2, Conference 1894, was created; and

WHEREAS, Many governmental offices are surrounded with corrupt political influences which characterizes the contrast between them and incorporated business offices; and

WHEREAS, Corporations consist of first and second class, namely, first class for charitable institutions, organizations for worship of Almighty God and other religious institutions and second class corporations for profit and gain, of which many are free from political and other influences contrary to the spirit and letter of the gospel because of which fact the moral character is unquestionable.

Resolved, That no question should be raised as to the moral character of the offices in business corporations which are legitimately conducted; nevertheless, some offices can be occupied by immoral and untrustworthy individuals, for which reason we advise the brotherhood to exercise precaution in affiliating in such institutions. Reference: Romans 13: 1; John 17: 15; Acts, 15th Chapter.

J. R. ZOOK, *Chairman*.

T. A. LONG, *Secretary*.

Art. 11. Conference ordered that all Districts throughout the Brotherhood shall provide a record in which the names and addresses, and date of admission of all members, as near as possible, the date of election and confirmation of officials, the date of organization of Districts and starting of Missions as near as possible, the names and locations of places of worship, including cost of buildings and grounds and seating capacity of the same, and to appoint a brother in each District to keep such records, whose duty it shall be to forward a corrected report not later than first week of May of each year to the General Church Secretary of any changes during year.

Art. 12. Conference appointed a committee of three brethren to furnish Scriptural references for all Conference decisions bearing on doctrinal points, such references to be spread on the Minutes following decision. Committee, S. G. Engle, H. K. Kreider, A. Z. Hess.

Art. 13. A petition to amend the Constitution and By-Laws so as to constitute a judiciary committee to furnish Scriptural references as a basis for decisions on questions on doctrinal points was not granted.

Art. 14. Conference considered and adopted the following resolution:

WHEREAS, The work of the Home Mission Board is of great importance, and, therefore, the Board should be made up of the best material in order to do effective work; and

WHEREAS, It appears reasonable that sisters should have a place on the Board as well as brethren.

Resolved, That Conference authorize the appointing committee to appoint two or three sisters on the Home Mission Board for this Conference year.

Art. 15. Conference authorized and instructed the General Secretary to issue letter heads of different

sizes, expressing the faith and teaching of the church in condensed form; also envelopes for the same, to be sold by the General Secretary at cost, with postage included.

Art. 16. Conference considered a petition to publish Sunday School literature for use throughout the Brotherhood and decided to defer the matter for the time being.

Art. 17. A petition for an expression as to the consistency of Brethren being members of Boards of Trade or engage in Stock Exchange or option deals, etc., was referred to a committee consisting of W. O. Baker, T. A. Long and C. O. Musser. Committee's report as follows:

Resolved, That Boards of Trade are legitimate enterprises for the purpose of advancing the interests and care of municipalities in which located, while stock exchanges or option deals are purely speculative and are generally regarded by the public as institutions tainted with the gambling spirit, which is not consistent for children of God to recognize or participate in.

Art. 18. A petition to Conference requesting to spread on the Minutes the Scriptural references as a basis for closed communion was considered at length and decided that the church, as a whole, has never really practiced what is generally termed as "closed communion," but discourages promiscuous communion, and referred the question to the Committee appointed to furnish references for Scriptural basis for Conference decisions. Reference: 1 Corinthians 11:28.

Art. 19. Conference confirmed a petition of Kansas State Council, to confirm the organization of Oklahoma into a regularly organized District.

Art. 20. Conference granted a petition to amend the Constitution and By-Laws authorizing the election of Moderators by an informal ballot instead of by single ballot.

Art. 21. Conference granted a petition that all ministers and evangelists be examined at regular intervals as to the soundness of their faith and appointed the Moderators a committee to formulate some plan for the carrying out of the examinations and also to decide how often such examinations shall be required.

The above committee has not reported, and the work is, therefore, not completed and must either report to the General Executive Board during the year or to General Conference of 1908.

Art. 22. Conference ordered that Brother Myron Taylor shall be ordained a foreign missionary preceding the afternoon session of the last day of Conference, with privilege to all outgoing missionaries to testify how the Lord dealt with them in calling them for the foreign field.

Art. 23. Conference granted a petition for General Conference of 1908 to convene in Markham District, Ontario, beginning on the last Tuesday of May. Railroad station, Gormley, Ontario, Ca.

Art. 24. A petition for Conference to express itself whether consistent to baptize in tanks was considered and decided that each District and Mission shall decide for itself by a majority vote as to the time and place of administering the ordinance of baptism.

Art. 25. Conference considered three petitions concerning the Missionary Training Home and Bible School as ordered under Art. 32, Conference 1906, as to how, when and where the work shall be undertaken, and decided to refer the matter to a committee of twelve brethren to devise some plans to present to Conference. Committee as appointed: D. V. Heise, Clarence Center, N. Y.; Asa Bearss, Ridgway, Ont.; S. R. Smith, Harrisburg, Pa.; E. H. Hess, Windom, Pa.; J. N. Hoover, West Milton, Ohio; A. M. Engle, Dayton, Ohio; J. R. Zook, Des Moines,

Ia.; J. N. Engle, Abilene, Kas.; Isaac Shockey, Abilene, Kas.; S. G. Engle, Philadelphia, Pa.; M. G. Engle, Abilene, Kas.; B. F. Hoover, Mansfield, Ohio.

The committee organized by electing B. F. Hoover, Chairman, J. N. Hoover, Secretary, and adopted and presented the following report:

COMMITTEE'S REPORT.

WHEREAS, The question to formulate and present how, when and where a Missionary Training Home and Bible School shall be started, as ordered under Art. 32, Conference 1906, is a serious work, necessitating considerable time and counselling, and in order to arrange some plan which will not bring embarrassing conditions on the Church,

Sec. 1. *Resolved*, That Conference appoint a representative Board of seven brethren, who shall be termed The Bible School Incorporating Board, or Board of Managers; and shall be authorized to take immediate steps to formulate plans as to how such school and training home shall be conducted, what branches taught, how and what the qualifications shall be of the teachers and workers, what method to be employed to solicit funds for the launching of the project, whether a suitable place shall be secured, either by purchase, renting or bequest, or otherwise, and what method instituted for sustaining the work, and

Sec. 2. *Resolved*, That as soon as the incorporating Board shall have the sum of ten thousand dollars donated or subscribed, they shall be empowered to proceed, and

Sec. 3. *Resolved*, That the incorporating Board shall be prohibited from entering into any contract for the purchase of property, supplies or otherwise, that will involve the church in any obligation, and

Sec. 4. *Resolved*, That General Conference shall express itself as to where the work shall be undertaken, and

Sec. 5. *Resolved*, That the Bible School and Training Home shall be incorporated according to the laws in the State where the School or Home shall be located, and the committee of seven shall compose the incorporating members and shall supply a name for the School as they think proper, and

Sec. 6. *Resolved*, That the plans of sustaining, method of instruction, creed of faith to be taught, shall become a part of and be embodied in the articles of incorporation, and

Sec. 7. *Resolved*, That this Committee report to Conference of 1908 of the proceedings during the year, and that the work, as shall be outlined by the committee of seven, shall be subject to and amenable to General Conference from year to year, and that if the method of conducting, teaching, etc., shall conflict with the teaching of the Church, the charter under which such Bible School and Training Home has been organized shall be null and void, and that this condition shall be embodied in the articles of incorporation.

B. F. HOOVER, *Chairman*.

J. N. HOOVER, *Secretary*.

Objections were filed against Section 4 of the above report, upon which Conference appointed a committee of five brethren to decide upon a location. Committee as appointed: D. V. Heise, Clarence Center, N. Y.; H. B. Hoffer, Mt. Joy, Pa.; Peter Climenhaga, Stevensville, Ont.; J. R. Herr, Abilene, Kas.; B. F. Hoover, Mansfield, Ohio.

The report of above committee as follows:

HARRISBURG, PA., *May 17, 1907.*

The committee appointed by General Conference of 1907 to select a location where the said Missionary Training Home and Bible School shall be established have decided to recommend to General Con-

ference that the above-named institution shall be located in the State of Pennsylvania.

(Signed.)

B. F. HOOVER, *Chairman*.

D. V. HEISEY, *Secretary*,

Conference considered the above report and ordered that the Incorporating Board of seven shall decide upon the location where the said Missionary Training Home and Bible School shall be established.

Art. 26. Conference decided that all the Bishops present at Conference shall be the elective body, to elect the incorporating board of seven, which resulted as follows: Bishop Jacob N. Engle, Abilene, Kas.; D. V. Heise, Clarence Center, N. Y.; Bishop Charles Baker, Batteaux, Ont.; S. R. Smith, Harrisburg, Pa.; Eli M. Engle, Mt. Joy, Pa.; Bishop B. F. Hoover, Mansfield, Ohio; Bishop A. M. Engle, Dayton, Ohio.

The above report was confirmed by Conference.

Art. 27. The Publication Board presented the following:

REPORT OF EVANGELICAL VISITOR.

Sec. I. Financial Statement:	
Balance on hand, April 30, 1906,	\$885 55
<i>Receipts.</i>	
On subscriptions,	1,578 59
On Benevolent Fund,	42 25
Total,	\$2,506 39

Expenses.

Central Printing Co.,	\$1,021 10
Editor's salary,	550 00

Mailing,	56 75
Stamps and sundries,	22 41
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Total,	1,650 26
Balance on hand, April 30, 1907,	\$856 13

The number of names of the subscription list is close to 1,850. There are 22 that go to exchange offices, 18 to institutions and individuals, 24 to foreign missionaries and 92 to charity.

In order that there be no shortage of papers, it was needful to print no less than 1,900 copies since the latter part of 1906. With this number it has been possible to send some copies for free distribution to our City Missions, each issue.

The foregoing report was approved and Conference appointed the following brethren to solicit subscriptions and renewals and make collections for the *Visitor* and collect local church news for the use of the Editor. Brethren as appointed:

Pennsylvania.

- Silverdale—Henry Rosenberger, Silverdale, Pa.
- Philadelphia—Peter Stover, Philadelphia, 3423 N. Second St.
- Manor—Noah Z. Hess, Lancaster, R. F. D. No. 7; Jacob Lindenmuth, Mt. Joy, Pa.
- Rapho—Jacob Hostetter, Mt. Joy, Pa.; Allen Brubaker, Mt. Hope, R. F. D.
- Donegal—Irwin Musser, Mt. Joy, Pa.; John H. Shank, Marietta, R. F. D. No. 1.
- Dauphin and Lebanon—Clayton Engle, Middletown; Theron Books, Cleona, Pa.
- Cumberland—W. T. Heisey, Mechanicsburg; J. W. Neisley, Carlisle, Pa., R. F. D. No. 1.
- North Franklin—Aaron H. Wingert, Chambersburg, R. F. D. No. 3; P. J. Weibe, Shippensburg, Pa.

- New Gilford—Geo. W. Wingert, Fayetteville, Pa., R. F. D. No. 2.
- Ringgold—Harry C. Shank, Waynesboro, P. O. Box 147.
- Montgomery—H. H. Heisey, Greencastle, Pa., R. F. D. No. 5.
- Lykens Valley—Jacob Keiffer, Millersburg, Pa., No. 2.
- Morrison's Cove—Andrew Stoner, Martinsburg, Pa.

Ohio.

- Stark County—D. H. Rohrer, Louisville, Ohio.
- Wayne County—W. J. Meyers, Massillon, Ohio, R. F. D. No. 1.
- Richland and Ashland—B. F. Hershey, Mansfield, Ohio, R. F. D. No. 2.
- Clark County—Orville Ulery, 108 Maiden Lane, Springfield, Ohio.
- South Dayton—H. E. Cassell, West Milton, Ohio.
- Miami—Benjamin Cassell, West Milton, Ohio; Samuel Cassell, Bradford, Ohio.

Indiana.

- Elkhart—Franklin Smith, New Paris, Ind.

Illinois.

- Chicago Mission—Benj. L. Brubaker, 5956 Peoria St., Chicago, Ill.
- Polo—H. L. Trump, Polo, Ill.
- Shannon—Wm. H. Kreider, Shannon, Ill.
- Whitesite—D. B. Martin, Coleta, Ill.

Iowa.

- Des Moines—Jacob H. George, Des Moines, Ia.
- Dallas Center—Wm. Deemy, Dallas Center, Ia.

Kansas.

- Zion—Harry Wagaman, Abilene, Kas., R. F. D. No. 1.

Bethel—B. F. Engle, Detroit, Kas., R. F. D. No. 1.
Abilene—D. S. Wagaman, Abilene, Kas.
Clay County—Elias Smith, Clay Center, Kas.
Belle Springs—Henry Lenhart, Hope, Kas.
Newbern—B. F. Jury, Abilene, Kas., R. F. D. No. 2.
Rosebank—Emery Bowers, Hope, Kas.
Brown County—S. B. Stoner, Hamlin, Kas.
Harvey County—Joe Eshleman, Sedgewick, Kas.

California.

Upland—G. V. Decker, Upland, Cal.
Oklahoma—David Book, Thomas, Okla.
Walpole—Jemima Knisely, Springfield, Ont.
Wainfleet—James Putman, Forks Road, Ont.
Black Creek—Andrew Sider—Stevensville, Ont.
Nottawa—Charles Baker, Batteaux, Ont.; Alexander McTaggart, Stayner, Ont.
Markham—H. Heise, Victoria Square, Ont.
Waterloo—John Wildfong, Hespeler, Ont.
Yale, Mich.—George Kitley, Yale, Mich.
Howick—John Reichard, Fordwich, Ont.
Clarence Center—Alvin Berry, Clarence Center, N. Y.
Elmer, Mich.—Wm. Vandevere, Marietta, Mich.
Carland—Henry Schneider, Sr., Burton, Mich., R. F. D. No. 1.

Sec. 2. The Board recommended to Conference to continue the Sunday School lesson page in the *Visitor* as heretofore, which was approved.

Sec. 3. The Publication Board approved Brother George Detwiler's work as Editor for the last conference year and appointed him Editor for the following Conference year at the former salary of \$550.00, with the provision that the various Districts throughout the Brotherhood take voluntary contributions for the further support of the Editor to the amount of \$150.00, such contributions to be forwarded to S. R. Smith, Harrisburg, Pa., to be re-

ported to General Conference 1908. The above report, with the conditions, were confirmed.

Sec. 4. Conference decided that hereafter any objections to articles appearing in the *Visitor*, together with the objectionable articles, shall be reported to the Publication Board for disposition, instead of to the Editor.

Sec. 5. Conference decided that the Editor, together with the Associate Editors of the *Evangelical Visitor*, are hereby authorized and ordered to reject all articles for publication in the *Evangelical Visitor* that are of a controversial and abusive nature.

Sec. 6. The Publication Board presented the following:

WHEREAS, It is the opinion of this Board that the time is at hand when the Church should own its own printing press.

Resolved, therefore, That General Conference appoint a committee of three brethren to investigate the probable cost of furnishing a printing and publishing plant, and if thought advisable, to be empowered by Conference to organize a stock company or limited partnership firm, for the purpose of printing the *Evangelical Visitor* and printing and publishing any church literature that would be needed for church use.

The above resolution was adopted on condition that a preamble be prepared setting forth the nature, condition and purpose of such an undertaking, and how to be conducted. Said committee shall be empowered either to contract for the publication of the *Visitor* with another printing and publishing concern or do the printing and publishing of the *Visitor*, providing the cost shall not exceed that given by the Central Printing and Publishing Co.

The committee as appointed and confirmed are: S. S. Wolgemuth, Mt. Joy, Pa.; A. B. Musser, Harrisburg, Pa.; Enos H. Hess, Windom, Pa.

Art. 28. Conference referred several petitions relative to supply Mission Churches with ministers, etc., to a committee of five brethren. The following are the committee appointed: C. O. Musser, Noah Z. Hess, John Asper, John Sider, Asa Bearss.

The above committee recommended to Conference that the Home Mission Board shall have authority to defray the expenses out of the Home Mission Fund for Elmer, Carland and Pellam Missions during the following Conference year, and authorized the church at Elmer, Mich., to be organized into a Mission District. The above recommendation was approved.

Art. 29. The Committee on Appointments report the following:

Sec. 1. Examining Board: Bishop Charles Baker, Nottawa, Ont.; Bishop B. F. Hoover, Mansfield, Ohio, R. F. D. No. 4; Bishop J. N. Engle, Abilene, Kas., R. F. D. No. 6.

Sec. 2. Publication Board: Bishop H. R. Heise, Victoria Square, Ont.; Bishop M. H. Oberholser, Chambersburg, Pa., R. F. D. No. 2; D. V. Heise, Clarence Center, N. Y.; C. O. Musser, Abilene, Kas.; Asa Bearss, Ridgway, Ont.; W. J. Myers, Massillon, Ohio, R. F. D. No. 1; H. K. Kreider, Campbellstown, Pa.

Sec. 3. Home Mission Board: George Detwiler, Harrisburg, Pa.; Bishop John D. Wingert, Fayetteville, Pa., R. F. D. No. 2; Abram Z. Hess, Mt. Joy, Pa.; Saxton Bowers, Canton, Ohio; Sister Alice Swalm, Nottawa, Ont.; Samuel Whisler, Canton, Ohio; H. L. Trump, Polo, Ill.; Bishop A. M. Engle, Dayton, Ohio; A. O. Zook, Abilene, Kas.; Sister Lizzie Wingert, Chambersburg, Pa.; Girvin Bearss, Ridgway, Ont.; Sister Anna Eshleman, Hope, Kas.

Sec. 4. Foreign Mission Board: Bishop J. R. Zook, Des Moines, Ia.; Bishop J. N. Hoover, West Milton, O.; Eli M. Engle, Mt. Joy, Pa.; P. M. Climenhaga, Stevensville, Ont.; Peter Steckley, Beth-

esda, Ont.; J. M. Sheets, Detroit, Kas.; C. S. Leshner, Greencastle, Pa., R. F. D. No. 4.

The above appointments were confirmed and ordered to organize and apportion the territory and report to Conference.

Art. 30. Conference accepted the resignation of John B. Leininger as trustee of the Messiah Rescue and Benevolent Home, Harrisburg, Pa., and appointed Brother D. M. Book, of Hummelstown, Pa., in his stead.

MISSION WORK.

Art. 31. The Home Mission Board presented the following:

Sec. 1. Report of Saxton Bowers, Treasurer of the Home Mission Fund of the Brethren in Christ, to General Conference of 1907, Greeting:
 Balance in Treasury, May 4, 1906, \$675 94
 Received during Conference year from Andrew Gnagy Dysart, Ia., 10 00
 Girvin Bearss, Black Creek, Ont., 2 00
 Myron Taylor, East Mich., 50 00
 D. W. Heise, Gormley, Ont., 18 00
 J. R. Herr, South Dickinson, Kas., 15 00
 Levi Herr, South Dayton, 14 25
 J. P. Cassell, South Dayton District, 7 25
 John A. Climenhaga, Black Creek, Ont., ... 46 50
 M. Bucher, Clayton, Ohio, 10 00
 C. S. Heise, Victoria Square, Ont., 5 00
 Wm. Byers, South Franklin, 25 00
 Samuel Whisler, Richland and Ashland District, 10 00
 Samuel Whisler, Elkhart, Ind., 7 25
 Samuel Whisler, Miami District, 29 10
 Samuel Whisler, Clark District, 13 00
 Albert Doner, Louisville, Ohio, 1 00
 L. S. Hoak, Fairview, Ohio, 43 00

Total, May 4, 1907, \$982 29

Paid the following :

Noah and Mary Zook, traveling expenses to Western Canada,	\$181 01
George Detwiler, for printing blank certificates,	2 10
J. A. Stump, traveling expenses to Michigan,	11 27
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Total,	194 38
Balance on hand, May 1, 1907,	\$787 91

Sec. 2. In presenting the financial report of the Home Mission Fund, through its Treasurer, Saxton Bowers, the Board is painfully conscious that very little work was accomplished through its efforts during the year, and feels its obligation to make more effort in the way of getting work done in Mission Districts and in visiting isolated members. That we recommend that the members who have Districts assigned to them and with them the officials of the Districts have their eye on the field to discover where work might be done and inform the officials of the Board so that steps may be taken to supply the need.

Conference of 1906, Art. 48, instructed that Brother and Sister Enos H. Hess engage in Mission work at Wachaprague, Va. After corresponding with Sister Boulter, it was deemed advisable to postpone the contemplated effort.

In carrying out Art. 49, Conference 1906, there arose some difficulty but finally Brother and Sister Noah Zook went into Northwestern Canada as far as Didsburg and Carstairs, Alberta. Before they were really started in the work, both became afflicted, and as winter was coming on and their improvement slow, it was considered advisable for them to return, which they did. Their expenses were paid from the Home Mission Fund.

The following named persons, being recommended by their respective home Districts, and consented to by the Examining Board, were recognized during the year as assistants in evangelistic work, namely: Sister Ida Menaugh, Sister Anna Zook, Sister Alma LaGrange.

Brother Webster Burtch was recognized as a Home Mission worker. Certificates were granted to all of these.

Sec. 3. The Home Mission Board decided that the same questions prepared by the Foreign Mission Board for the examination of Foreign Mission applicants, shall be adopted for the use of examining Home Mission workers.

Sec. 4. WHEREAS, Sister Alma LaGrange, of Des Moines, Ia., during the greater part of last Conference year was accredited as an assistant in evangelistic work; and

WHEREAS, She makes application for a renewal of her credentials for this Conference year, and is recommended by her home District,

Resolved, That this Board recommends her case to the favorable consideration of Conference.

Sec. 5. Conference approved the financial and general report as well as the work of the Home Mission Board during Conference year as above outlined, and ordered the same to be spread on the Minutes.

Sec. 6. Carland, Elmer and Pelham Missions. Conference authorized the Home Mission Board to make provisions for a minister at Carland and to organize Elmer into a Mission District, and supply the needs during the coming Conference year from the Home Mission Fund.

Art. 32. Report of the Philadelphia Mission, Philadelphia, Pa., Beginning May 1, 1906, to April 30, 1907:

Total cash donations for said period,	\$914 25
Total expenses for the year,	769 91

Balance in favor of Mission, April 30,	
1907,	\$144 34

The above figures represent the total cash receipts for the year and the total cash expenses, not including boxes of clothing and provisions. A number of donations were received, consisting of provisions and clothing of all kinds; some of these were donated for special use at the Mission, but the greater part was given to the poor. The work of supporting the poor with provisions and clothing is limited only by the supply. We desire to do more work along these lines, to take care of the helpless poor, for thereby we often reach the most important to give them a word of encouragement that leads them to the Christ who takes away the sins of the world. The work has been very encouraging along these lines, as many have been helped. As we look over the past years, when the work was begun, to supply temporal needs, we can now see the fruits of such labor.

The Sunday School is well attended. We have no special increase to report over last year, the attendance ranging from 90 to 100 pupils. The Sunday School is self-supporting, and we look upon it as a great help to the church work. Some of the pupils who first attended school when it begun are now teachers in the school and not only teachers, but some are members of the church, having been converted, and are earnest workers in the cause.

As to the work of the church in general at the Mission, there is much to encourage us. The last year has no doubt been the best in spiritual growth that the Mission has experienced since its beginning.

Souls have been reaching out to know God in a deeper sense, and a number have had their soul's longing filled; a fulfillment of the words of Jesus

that "He that hungereth and thirsteth after righteousness shall be filled." We had more converts this year than during one single year. We feel perfectly safe in putting the number between 50 and 75 souls that have manifested a desire for a better life. A very small per cent. of the converts in a place like Philadelphia Mission are received into full membership. The last year 10 were received in baptism, and at present there are several candidates for admission. God has visited us in a special way during the last year. We had a few remarkable cases of healing, bordering upon the miraculous. One sister who had dropsy for 26 years was instantly healed, beside minor cases. One sister who is not a member of the Mission, has been raised from her sick bed in the last stages of consumption, and is now attending to her household duties. She claims healing and gives evidence of the same which we are in no position to doubt. Notwithstanding that God has so wonderfully blessed us, the greater part of the members still have a desire to know God in a still deeper sense. We do not claim to measure the communion and fellowship which we might attain to by our past experience, believing that His power in us for good is only limited by our consecration. We invite the prayers of the Brotherhood for the work in Philadelphia.

We remain yours in the service,
PETER STOVER AND WIFE.

Conference approved the above report and appointed Peter Stover and wife as overseers of the Philadelphia Mission for the following Conference year.

MESSIAH RESCUE AND BENEVOLENT
HOME, HARRISBURG, PA.

Art. 33. Sec. 1. A financial and general report of the Messiah Rescue and Benevolent Home, of

Harrisburg, Pa., was submitted by A. B. Musser, Secretary and Treasurer, as follows:

Balance in Treasury, May 1, 1906, including property unsold,	\$880 32
Received from admissions during Conference year,	1,600 00
Received from contributions and paying members during year,	1,061 34
Total,	<u>\$3,541 66</u>

Disbursements.

House expenses, including repairing during Conference year,	1,571 78
Funeral expenses,	150 00
Total,	<u>\$1,721 78</u>
Balance on hand, including property unsold,	\$1,819 88

Sec. 2. The rooms in the building are the same as reported at last year's Conference, with the exception of an addition to the Chapel of 16 ft. x 56 ft., the same under basement, equipped to furnish meals to a large assembly. Number of inmates at the Home are: Males 7, females 24. Deaths during Conference year, 3: Nancy Mosey, formerly of New Cumberland, Pa.; Catherine Richard, formerly of Harrisburg, Pa.; Henry Machen, formerly of Bainbridge, Pa. The admissions to the Home during Conference year were Annie S. Myers, from Greencastle, Pa.; Jane Fahs, Harrisburg, Pa.; Hannah Orth, Harrisburg, Pa.; Mary Reed, Harrisburg, Pa. There is a Sabbath School every Sabbath, followed by services every alternate Sabbath, preaching every Sabbath evening, weekly prayer meetings every Thursday evening. There were several conversions during the year and five added to the Church. Amidst all the

trials which the Board of Managers and those at the head of it, passed through, seemingly the blessing is resting on the work. The management tenders heartfelt thanks to the kind friends who so liberally contributed towards the Home with the assurance that what we do to the least of those that believe in Him, their reward will be great in heaven.

Sec. 3. Report of Messiah Home Orphanage Endowment Fund is same as reported at Conference, 1906, \$2,831.31.

A. B. MUSSER, *Treas.*

Conference approved the above report and ordered it spread on the Minutes.

MESSIAH HOME ORPHANAGE, HARRISBURG, PA.

Art. 34. Sec. 1. Financial and general report of the Messiah Home Orphanage, for Conference year ending May 1, 1907, S. R. Smith, Secretary and Treasurer.

GENERAL FUND.

Expenditures.

Groceries,	\$138 89
Dry good,	204 92
Fuel,	87 36
Milk,	123 35
Medicine and treatment,	120 20
Bread,	129 80
Light,	22 05
Provisions,	135 04
Wages,	112 00
Furniture, etc.,	34 60
Insurance, interest, papering, cementing cellar and other repairs,	95 23
Painting buildings, etc.,	126 18
Other incidentals,	8 90

Total, \$1,338 52

Receipts.

General Fund,	\$250 90
From tuition fees,	8 46
State appropriation,	625 00
Endowment Fund interest,	130 27
For painting and papering,	38 00
Sold paint,	10 32

Total,	1,062 95

Balance due Treasurer,	\$275 57

SCHOOL FUND.

Sec. 2.	
Received for special school fund during last Conference year,	\$454 66
Paid for fuel, janitor and school supplies,	\$68 38
Paid for teacher's salary,	225 00

Total,	\$293 38

Balance on hand, May 1, 1907,	\$161 28
Total indebtedness, General Fund, May 1, 1906,	\$865 30
Balance debt in favor of Treasurer, May 1, 1907,	275 57

Total indebtedness, May 1, 1907, ...	\$1,140 87

Sec. 3. In favor of above indebtedness, there is \$125.00 appropriation due to the 1st of May. This would leave an actual indebtedness of \$1,015.87. Nine hundred dollars of this amount is borrowed at 5 per cent. The balance I carried, which sometimes amounted to nearly five hundred dollars, for which I could not accept interest, and while the Orphanage is not any more my property than the rest of the members, I would kindly suggest that they should

feel a common interest in the work just as much as though they were in my position. I am glad that there are those who very cheerfully came to the relief and support of the school work in the Orphanage during the last Conference year. Had it not been for this, the children would necessarily had to be divided up in some way so as to be admitted to the city schools, and since the number is too large to admit them without pay, it became a necessity to provide a school in the Orphanage. We could not think of subjecting the children to the evil influences which would be brought to bear upon them if they would attend our city schools, even if we could do it, and therefore would kindly call the attention of Conference to the fact that a special effort should be made to perpetuate this work, since there is a nice class of sisters coming up which took its start in the Orphanage. If we teach that one soul is worth more than the whole world, is it not worth while to lend our support to the Orphanage work which is abounding with such remarkable results? However, I cannot get reconciled to the fact that we can admit only girls and let the boys wander. We need young men just as well as young women for the future, but in our present condition, it would not be wise nor consistent to foster both sexes with our limited quarters in one building, as the evil is almost always foremost. It has been a serious consideration with me of late, if the church could not make provision in some way to buy a farm where provision could be made for both sexes, and where an industrial training, such as is needed to make good, honest industrious young men and women could be furnished; besides, it would place the institution in a position which would become more self-supporting. I hereby appeal to General Conference of 1907, to consider my proposition, and take some initiative steps that would have a tendency to launch the project.

There are at present 31 inmates, ranging in age

from about 2 years to about 17 years, all females except two, who are respectively 3 and 4 years of age.

The school is in a prospering condition. I am glad that we can show to the Brotherhood a model school, conducted under Christian influences, proving that the objectionable features which are generally connected with other school work can be eliminated and yet real practical school work be done. Would it not be for the kindness of the workers, who are contributing most of their time to the Orphanage work without remuneration, it would cost considerable more, but I must say that I believe that the Lord has been impressing some to give their service for the cause of saving others.

There is an appropriation from the State of Pennsylvania for \$750.00 per year, which has been renewed beginning June 1, 1907, for two years.

Sec. 4. Conference accepted the above report and ordered that an immediate effort should be made throughout the Brotherhood by voluntary contributions to relieve the Treasurer of the financial burden of \$275.57.

Sec. 5. S. R. Smith tendered his resignation as Secretary and Treasurer of the Messiah Home Orphanage, which was accepted on condition that he name a successor, whereupon the name of Sister Anna Shank, of Marietta, Pa., was presented and confirmed to take effect on June 1, 1907.

Sec. 6. Conference considered the advisability of the report of the Secretary and Treasurer and also a recommendation from the Home Mission Board, concerning the purchasing of a farm for the Messiah Home Orphanage use, where provision could be made to foster boys and girls, where they would receive proper training for industrial work as well as spiritual, and approved of the report by instructing the Board of Managers of the Messiah Home Orphanage to proceed as they think proper in the matter.

CHICAGO MISSION.

Art. 35. Sec. 1. Financial and general report of the Chicago Mission, as follows:

RECEIPTS AND EXPENDITURES FROM MAY 15, 1906, TO
APRIL 15, 1907.

Total receipts,	\$616 10
Special receipts for coal,	96 00
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Total received,	\$712 10
Total expenses,	\$614 29
Expenditures for coal,	94 92
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Total expenses,	\$709 21
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Balance on hand,	\$2 89
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Raising of the building,	\$45 00
Lumber, etc.,	15 07
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Total,	\$60 07

Having learned God's faithfulness in fulfilling His promises, "Ask and ye shall receive," "I will supply all your needs," our hearts took courage to trust Him in this unexpected need. We had no more than consulted the workmen, when the Lord began to send forth. In less than three weeks all expense was covered, for which we praise Him. A report of this will be given in the next number of the *Visitor*.

In Him,
SARAH BERT.

BUILDING FUND REPORT.

Sec. 2.

Total cash received, as given in Minutes
of 1906, Art. 3, \$2,444 87

Total amount received during Conference year,	555 13
Total,	\$3,000 00

Interest for \$275.00 at 6 per cent. for one year, \$16.50, which is yet unpaid.

We do indeed magnify our God, because of His compassionate kindness, takes upon Himself our responsibilities and lightens our burdens. We also sincerely thank all the saints who so kindly stood with us in rescuing the house where Satan dwelt into the hands of OUR GOD, a life-saving station, where souls shall be born into His kingdom. Past experience has led us to know the power in prayer; thus we feel that we cannot be without your support by prayer. Above all things we desire to act wisely before God in all things.

Trustees,

B. L. BRUBAKER,

SARAH BERT,

NANCY A. SHIRK.

Sec. 3. The above report was approved, with the condition that the \$16.50 due on the building fund shall be paid out of the Home Mission Treasury. Brother B. L. Brubaker was appointed overseer, Sister Sarah Bert, Treasurer, and Anna Bert, Secretary for the following Conference year.

Art. 36. Sec. 1. Financial report of the Des Moines Mission, by Brother Max Mahler and wife, Ella Mahler, Overseers, as follows:

FINANCIAL REPORT FROM JUNE 1, 1906, TO MAY 1, 1907.

Received from contributions, etc., \$306 61

Expenses.

Household, repairs, furniture for the year ending May 1, 1907, ...	\$265 95
Distributions to the poor,	43 21
Total,	309 16
Balance due Mission,	\$2 55

BUILDING FUND.

Sec. 2. Report to Conference 1906,	\$998 29
Received from different Districts, as reported in the <i>Visitor</i> ,	684 75
Total,	\$1,683 04

Sec. 3. Conference approved the above report and ordered that the deficit of \$2.55 shall be paid out of the Home Missionary Treasury.

The Home Mission Board recommended the following to Conference, which was approved and ordered spread on the Minutes.

Sec. 4. WHEREAS, According to the judgment and testimony of those who are acquainted with the situation, the present location of the Des Moines Mission is not adapted to successfully carry on such a work; and

WHEREAS, Conference of 1906, Art. 34, Resolution 5, authorized the trustees of the Des Moines Mission, with the consent of the donors, to dispose of said Mission property and locate the same in some more favorable location; therefore,

A. *Resolved*, That the overseer of the Mission be included in carrying out the provisions of this resolution; and

B. *Resolved*, That this Board recommend Con-

ference to charge the above committee to make the best disposition possible of the Mission property, and to only proceed in any transaction as they have means to meet any liabilities that may arise; and

C. *Resolved*, That Brother C. B. Smith, of Des Moines, Ia., be appointed and confirmed by this Conference as Trustee of the Des Moines Mission in place of A. Gnagy.

Sec. 5. WHEREAS, Brother Max Mahler and his wife, Sister Ella Mahler, who had charge of the Mission during last Conference year, have resigned and already moved out of the Mission, and whose resignation has been accepted, the Mission being left without occupant and without any one having special charge of it; therefore,

Resolved, That this Board recommend Conference to relegate the selection of suitable workers to take charge of the Mission, to Jehovah God who is able to provide; that in the time intervening Bishop J. R. Zook have charge of the Mission, and during such time he be the proper recipient of all donations and free-will offerings that may be sent in.

Sec. 6. WHEREAS, Conference charged the Home Missionary Board to consider and report on the request from Ohio to reconsider Art. 45, Sections 7 and 8, of Conference of 1906; and

WHEREAS, This Board finds that said legislation was virtually not done by Conference but by a selected committee after Conference had adjourned; therefore,

A. *Resolved*, That this Board recommend that the entire matter revert to where it was a year ago, and that Conference take action on the whole question, and hereby repeal Sections 7 and 8 of Art. 45, Conference 1906; and

B. *Resolved*, That Brother J. H. George and Brother C. B. Smith be appointed and confirmed by this Conference as trustees of the Gospel Temple

Church property in place of Brother Isaac Trump and A. Gnagy.

Art. 37. Conference considered a recommendation from North Franklin District, Pa., that Brother Abram O. Wingert and wife, Lizzie Wingert, be accepted as Home Mission workers, who have furnished a Mission building with commodious living quarters at Chambersburg, Pa., which they are giving for the use of Mission work in the Brotherhood. Conference approved the above petition and ordered Brother and Sister Wingert's work and names to be spread on the records of Home Mission workers.

BUFFALO MISSION.

Art. 38. Sec. 1. Buffalo Mission, 25 Hawley St., Buffalo, N. Y., to General Conference of 1907, Greeting:

From May 1, 1906, to May 1, 1907.

The nature of the work continues about the same. The Lord has continued to add His blessing and there has been a gradual increase in interest.

When the workers give all their time to the work they would naturally expect greater results in the conversion of souls. But there are many difficulties to meet and some are not easily overcome. There is especially a great variety of nationality and creed in Buffalo.

Since the Mission building has been enlarged and improved, it is much easier to do justice to the Sunday School. The interest and attendance during the winter season has been very gratifying; the average attendance during the year has been eighty.

There have been a number of conversions from the Sunday School during the year. Some in our own Mission and some in other churches. The great difficulty is not in getting the children converted but in bringing them into the church and caring for them. In doing this you have other authorities to deal with.

Two series of meetings were conducted by Brethren J. W. Hoover and J. R. Zook. Both meetings were seasons of encouragement and blessing. There were some willing in these meetings to accept Jesus as their personal Saviour.

Eleven have united in church fellowship. Nine have followed Jesus in the ordinance of baptism. Some have left the city, but are standing true to Christ where they are.

God is worthy of all praise for carrying on the work thus far. He has supplied the need, both spiritually and temporally.

Those connected with the Mission are united by a bond of unity and love. We look to Him who has been faithful in the past to continue to bless the work.

Sisters Minnie Basler and Emma Winger have been faithful co-workers in the Mission. We solicit an interest in the prayers of all God's people.

Your Brother and Sister in Jesus,
G. E. AND EFFIE WHISLER.

Sec. 2. The above report was approved and Brother George E. Whisler and wife, Effie Whisler, were reappointed as overseers of the Buffalo Mission for the next Conference year, and instructed the Home Mission Board to furnish them with proper certificates.

FOREIGN MISSION WORK.

Foreign Mission Financial Report, P. M. Climenhaga, Treasurer, to General Conference, 1907, Greeting:

GENERAL FUND.

Art. 39. Sec. 1.
Balance on hand, May 1, 1906, . \$1,191 71
Received during Conference year, 2,710 90

Total, \$3,902 61

Expenditures.

London drafts to Brother Steigerwald,	\$998 27
London drafts to Brother Doner,	729 98
London drafts to Brother Fry, ..	486 52
London Drafts to Brother A. L. Musser, India,	364 55
Paid Eli M. Engle and myself \$5.00 each for stamps and stationery,	10 00
Cablegram message to Brother Steigerwald,	12 19
Total,	2,601 51

Balance in Treasury, May 1, 1907, \$1,301 10

LAND PURCHASE FUND.

Sec. 2.
Same as last year, \$571 35

STOCK FUND.

Sec. 3. Matoppo Mission Stock Fund for Matoppo Mission Farm:
Total receipts during Conference year, \$1,112 97

Expenditures.

Amount forwarded to Brother Steigerwald during year,	973 23
Balance in Treasury, May 1, 1907,	\$139 65
Sec. 4. Rest Home Fund, started Conference, 1905. Same as last year,	\$5 00

TEACHERS' FUND.

Sec. 5.		
Balance in Treasury, May 1, 1906,	\$57	00
Received during Conference year,	5	00
Total,	\$62	00

Expenditures.

London draft to Brother Steigerwald, ...	62	00
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RESCUE HOME AND GIRLS' SCHOOL FUND.

Sec. 6.		
Total receipts during Conference year, ..	\$1,997	76

SPECIAL FUND.

Sec. 7.		
Balance in Treasury, May 1, 1906,	\$35	00

Expenditures.

London draft to H. P. Steigerwald,	35	00
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Sec. 8. Summary of balances in Foreign Mission Treasurer's hands, May 1, 1907, of the different funds:

General Fund,	\$1,301	10
Land Purchase Fund,	571	35
Rest Home Fund,	5	00
Rescue Home and Girls' School Fund, ..	1,997	76
Matopopo Mission Stock Fund,	139	65
Interest on balances of above funds credited to Treasurer's account,	109	01
Total,	\$4,123	87

Art. 40. General Report of Secretary of Foreign Mission Board for Conference year ending April 30, 1907:

At the beginning of last Conference year the corps of workers who were previously ordained for Mission work in South Africa, were engaged in the work at Matopopo and Mapane Mission Stations, although some of the staff of workers had for a long time been looking over the various fields of labor that loomed up before them, praying the Lord to more fully open the way for them to step out into those new fields of the Master's service.

While Brother Harvey Frey and Sister Emma, his wife, with their son Ernest, and Sister Abbie Bert continued at Matopopo, Sisters Davidson and Engle continued for some time at Mapane, each engaged in the work of their several capacities.

Brother Levi Doner, after a furlough of about eighteen months, returned to the Mapane Station in May, 1906, and resumed the work and took charge of the same, as authorized by General Conference, 1906, under Art. 55, Section 6.

Elder H. P. Steigerwald, in his annual letter from Matopopo Mission, reports as follows: A good year for the Mission. God meeting with us and blessing souls with conviction, some of whom gave heed to the call, who were joined to Christian service. Six were baptized and added to the church. The attendance at school at this Station, as well as at the School, opened about five miles distant, is reported fair. One encouraging feature of the work was the marriage of three native brethren to Christian women. We hope that Christian homes may thus be established where God is honored and worshipped, thus laying the foundation for the Church in Africa. The health of the workers, as also the natives, to a large degree, has been good, with the exception of Sister Steigerwald, whose physical condition seemingly called for immediate surgical attendance, to

which the F. M. Board has granted permission by cablegram to avoid serious delay. The workers who had their home temporarily at Matoppo Station at the opening of the year, were located in the different fields as the Lord opened the way.

Brother Doner, from Mapane Station, also reports a successful year and God's blessing upon the work. A large enquirers' class at this place being an encouraging feature of the work. On October 14, 1906, a Love Feast and sacred services were held by the workers and native members at Mapane Station, with members from other Stations. On this occasion six young men and eleven girls from Mapane and one girl from Matoppo were received into church fellowship and baptized. On Oct. 15, 1906, at 11 A. M., the brethren and sisters of the Brethren in Christ Church of Southern Rhodesia, South Africa, met in Joint Church Conference to consider the advancement of the work in South Africa. Thus the first joint Conference of the Brethren in Christ Church in Africa passed into history with the organization as follows: Elder H. P. Steigerwald, Moderator, Brother Harvey Frey, Secretary. A copy of the Minutes of this Conference was forwarded to the F. M. Board for consideration.

Brother Ndhambi, who had charge of the school during the absence of Brother Doner, continued for a few weeks after Brother Doner's return to Mapane Station. The large class of boys and girls that welcomed the return of Brother Doner gave evidence of the faithful and persistent labors of Brother Ndhambi, to induce the children to come to the school. The living huts and other improvements which had been temporarily and economically constructed were not considered sufficient any longer for the health and safety of the workers. Operations were begun to construct a house of worship, school room and dwelling of brick material. The approximate cost of said improvements will estimate four

hundred dollars. The Board voted said sum to Brother Levi Doner for such purpose. Sisters Sallie Kreider and Abbie Bert have assisted in the work. Sister Maria Werkman, who entered the field during the summer of 1906, has also been engaged at this station. Sister Bert later returned to Matoppo to assist in the teaching there.

In June, 1906, Brother Harvey Frey, with the help of several native boys from Matoppo Mission began the construction of a temporary hut for the opening of a new station for the Mtshabezi Valley about fifty miles distant by wagon road from Matoppo Station.

Brother and Sister Frey, with their son, moved into a newly-built hut in the beginning of August, and opened a Mission at said place in accordance with Art. 55, Section 5, Conference 1906. This Mission to be known as the Mtshabezi Mission. Later, other huts were constructed for the use of Mission work at this place; besides some ground was broken and planted in grain and vegetables. Even during this, the first year, a school was opened for instruction to such who desired to learn to read.

Brother Frey, in his letter to the Board, reports an enquirers' class of whom some seem earnest in the Lord and one boy was baptized.

The final preparations were concluded for the expedition into the North interior. The workers who proposed to take up this work prayerfully looking unto Him who said, "Go ye," and confident in the safety of His promises, launched out after bidding adieu to the workers and associates at Matoppo and out-stations, accompanied by Ndhambi and Gomo, two native brethren of noble character and reputation, followed by the prayer of loved ones. Sisters Davidson and Ada Engle were the principal workers in this move and set out directly northward to a people as yet not reached by the Gospel message, and arrived at Kolomo on August 1, about 470 miles from Matoppo Mission.

In a letter to the Foreign Mission Board, dated Jan. 18, 1907, is the following report of Maccha Mission:

"The sisters report the construction of a house 13x26 ft., with a small kitchen attached, and a house for the brethren 13x13 ft., a hut for those that come to work, a cattle pen, goat and chicken house. Ground has been broken for farming, all of which gives evidence that the brethren and sisters were busy since their arrival.

The Gospel message was also presented as far as they were able to acquire the language. They report the services well attended and praise the men and women for the respect and interest shown. This pioneer of post Mission Station is known as Maccha Mission.

A letter from Brother A. L. Musser, of Lucknow, India, expresses thankfulness for the support of the work which has thus far been forthcoming. The workers at this place seem encouraged and impressed to press on in battle and pray the continued support of the Church in this territory. While the development of the work has seemingly not been so noticeable, yet we are glad to report some conversions and also received into church fellowship. Brother A. L. Musser and wife and son Ezra, and Sister Maggie Landis continue at this Mission.

Another year's work has passed into history, and is entered upon the pages of the faithful recorder. May God's blessing continue to flow upon those who have so nobly come forward to the support of the work in the foreign field both by prayers and means in the general support, and may the Everlasting Father continue to use those who gave heed unto and obeyed the call of the Master to carry the Gospel message to the lost of the earth in gathering many precious souls from among the heathen of the earth for the kingdom of His dear Son.

ELI M. ENGLE,
Secretary F. M. B.

REPORT OF FOREIGN MISSIONARY BOARD PROCEEDINGS OF CONFERENCE OF THE BRETHREN IN CHRIST, 1907.

WHEREAS, Conference of 1906 has authorized the Foreign Missionary Board to revise the present formula of questions used for the examination of applicants for the Foreign Mission work, because of the inadequacy of said formula; and

WHEREAS, The Examining Board has approved the following formula, in accordance with Sec. 14, page 38, Conference Minutes 1906:

EXAMINATION QUESTIONS.

For applicants applying for recognition and appointment by the Foreign Missionary Board of the Brethren in Christ Church:

Give your full name and address,

How old are you? Are you healthy? If not, state the character of your ailments:

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Are you married? If you are, have you children? How many?

What educational advantages have you had?

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.....
How long have you been a member of the Brethren in Christ Church?

Do you stand in full fellowship with the church?

.....
If you should be accepted as a missionary, would you be subject to the Foreign Missionary Board; and also to the overseer of the Mission where you would be stationed, not choosing your own work, but do what you are bidden?

Give Scriptural references for the following: The Trinity of God. *John 1-1 and John 16 3 & 7, 14 & 15*..... Incarnation of Jesus Christ. *John 1-1 & 4*..... Salvation by faith through Christ. *Acts 3-16 and 8-12*. Justification by faith. *John 16-3 3 Rom 1-1* Consecration. *Rom 12-1+*

2nd Cor 7-1 Sanctification by faith. *1st Cor 1-30* Define sanctification. *2nd Thes 2-13 1st Pt 1-2* The baptism of the Holy Spirit. *1st Pt 3-7 16 12* For a sinless life. *1st John 3-2 1st John 5-4 & 5*..... The fruits of the Spirit. *Gal 5-22 & 23*..... The fruits of the carnal mind. *Gal 5-19, 20 & 21* Non-conformity to the world in mind and conduct. *Rom 12-2*..... Non-con-

formity to the world in dress.

Water baptism by trine immersion.

The Lord's Supper. Washing of the Saints' feet. For the prayer

wailing. The second coming and final triumph of Christ. Resur-

rection of the dead. Just. Unjust. Eternal

punishment to the final lost.

Do you believe in the above doctrines?

Will you positively conform to and teach them?

.....
Are you definitely called to the Foreign Missionary work?

How long have you been called?

What makes you think you are called?

.....
Do you intend to make it your life work?

Do you expect to receive your support from the Foreign Missionary Fund?

If accepted, will you report as to the spiritual

condition and financial standing of the work whenever required?

Have you been called to any special field?

If so, where?

I hereby promise faithfulness to my calling, by the grace of God, and subscribe my name in good faith to the above statements, promises and doctrines.

Resolved, therefore, That this authenticated formula be embodied in the Minutes of this Conference; and be it further

Resolved, That the expenses incurred for the printing of said formula be taken from the General Foreign Missionary Fund.

Since certain questions relative to matrimony have come to us, the Foreign Missionary Board, from a Joint Council held by the three Mission Stations, established by the Church in South Africa, namely, Matoppo, Mapane, and Mtshabezi, at the Mapane Station on Oct. 15, 1906, for pronouncement, we offer the following:

WHEREAS, The matrimonial conditions of the Foreign fields are perplexing and peculiar to themselves; and

WHEREAS, Only those who are in the field can be fully qualified to give proper expression upon the real character of those peculiar cases; and

WHEREAS, An inflexible rule may prove impracticable,

Resolved, therefore, That latitude be granted to the Foreign Missionary workers in Africa, with this pre-

vision that they exercise the utmost care not to violate the spirit of the Gospel, nor surrender any of the established tenets of the Church upon the very important question of matrimony.

WHEREAS, Conference of 1906, Art. 55, Sec. 7, has encouraged the establishment of a Rescue Home and Girls' School in South Africa for the especial benefit of such African girls who would be coerced into unholy matrimony or prevented by other reasons to follow the dictates of their own consciences in religious matters; and

WHEREAS, Liberal contributions have already been made for the establishment of such institution; and

WHEREAS, There is a variation of opinions on the propriety of an immediate step for the creation of such institution; however, since there is a general agreement of the necessity of such institution,

Resolved, therefore, That Conference continue to encourage the solicitations for said institution, and that the Foreign Missionary Board be in touch with the workers in the field until more favorable conditions develop, and the funds will warrant the establishment and maintenance of such institution.

Resolved, also, That the letter from the workers in South Africa relative to said institution be produced and read before Conference.

The financial reports of all the Foreign Missionary stations have been examined and approved by the Foreign Missionary Board, and we recommend them to be spread upon the Minutes of this Conference.

A special letter from the Maccha Mission, by Sister H. Frances Davidson, giving a voluntary financial report of the expenditures of the moneys which she received during her visit in America, was read with interest, with the conviction that economy and prudence were exercised in the establishment of said Mission.

We, therefore, recommend, that this financial report be also spread upon the Minutes of this Conference.

We also recommend that Brother Myron Taylor be ordained as a Missionary worker during this Conference.

Resolved, That the foregoing preambles, resolutions and the Secretary's report be reproduced on the Minutes of this Conference.

J. R. ZOOK, *Chairman*,
ELI M. ENGLE, *Secretary*.

The foregoing financial and general reports of the Foreign Board for the last Conference year and for this Conference were adopted and ordered spread on the Minutes.

FINANCIAL REPORT OF MATOPPO MISSION FOR THE YEAR 1906.

Art. 41. Sec. 1.

GENERAL FUND.

Receipts.

	£	s.	d.	
1. Balance on hand previous year,	79	07	01	\$387 42
2. General Treasury,	104	10	00	511 50
3. Special donations,	16	17	05	81 50
4. Marketing, etc.,	87	14	11	436 50
Total,	\$288	09	05	\$1,416 92

Expenses.

1. Household and provisions, ..	41	17	10	\$203 69
2. Native labor, tools, stock and seeds,	90	15	09	448 40

	£	s.	d.	
3. Native trade and food for boys and supplies,	26	10	00	128 00
4. Freight, hardware and repairs,	64	08	03	318 00
5. Personal and postage,	6	10	09	29 50
6. Other expenses (including trip to C. Town, £9 17 s. 9 d.),	19	04	06	95 22
7. For the work at Mtshabezi Mission,	16	00	00	79 11
Total,	265	06	03	\$1,301 92
Balance on hand,	23	03	02	\$115 00

SPECIAL FUND.

Sec. 2. *Receipts.*

1. Balance on hand previous year,	4	09	08	\$17 60
2. General Treasury,	7	00	00	35 00
3. From congregation at Matoppo Mission,	1	18	06	9 55
Total,	13	08	02	\$62 15

Expenditures.

1. Paint and oil,	00	11	00	2 75
2. For the work at Mtshabezi Mission,	7	00	00	35 00
Total,	7	11	00	\$37 75
Balance on hand,	5	17	02	\$24 40

TEACHERS' FUND.

Sec. 3. *Receipts.*

1. Balance on hand previous year,	22	07	03	\$111 38
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	£	s.	d.	
2. Buffalo Sabbath School, ..	1	16	09	9 20
3. General Treasury,	13	10	00	62 00
Total,	37	14	00	\$182 58

Expenses.

1. For teaching,	10	04	00	\$51 00
2. For evangelistic work,	00	15	00	3 75
Total,	10	19	00	\$54 75
Balance on hand,	26	15	00	\$127 83

CATTLE FUND.

Receipts.

Sec. 4.	£	s.	d.
General Treasury,	100	00	00

Disbursements.

1. To Brother Frey, for Mtshabezi Mission,	30	00	00
2. To Brother Doner, for Mapane Mission,	30	00	00
3. Matoppo Mission,	40	00	00
	100	00	00
Expended at Matoppo Mission, two cows,	19	00	00
Balance on hand at Matoppo Mission,	21	00	00

It was a mutual agreement between Matoppo, Mapane and Mtshabezi Missions that the cattle money should be divided in the manner reported and that each station would do its own purchasing of cattle.

H. P. STEIGERWALD,

Treasurer.

FINANCIAL REPORT OF MAPANE MISSION TO GENERAL CONFERENCE OF THE BRETHREN IN CHRIST, 1907—LEVI DONER, OVERSEER.

Art. 42. Sec. 1.

Receipts.

	£	s.	d.
P. M. Climenhaga, Mission Treasurer, ..	25	0	0
M. P. M. Sisters' collection, Markham, Ont.,	3	4	6
Other receipts,	4	0	0
Total,	32	4	6

Expenditures.

Household provision and native trade, ..	32	5	10
Hardware, in-door and out-door utensils and repairing,	10	12	9
Native labor for clearing land and gardening,	11	17	6
Total,	54	16	1
Balance in favor of Mission,	22	11	7

STOCK FUND.

Sec. 2.

Received for Stock Fund from P. M. Climenhaga, Treasurer,	30	0	0
A brother in Pennsylvania, U. S. A., ...	40	0	0
A sister,	10	0	0
Total,	80	0	0

Expenditures.

Paid for three donkeys,	31	10	0
Paid for brickmaking and necessaries, ..	8	19	6
Total,	40	9	6
Balance,	39	10	6

We feel grateful to God and to all who thus supported us, and kindly ask you to accept our sincere thanks. We are sorry to show a deficit in the General Fund, but it will be remembered that nearly all the food for ourselves had to be purchased as we reaped nothing from the gardens last year, and, besides, have no income from marketing as we are too far away from any market. The deficit money was borrowed from the Stock Fund, so that still leaves us wanting support for our domestic use.

LEVI DONER.

FINANCIAL REPORT OF MTSHABEZI MISSION—HARVEY FREY, OVERSEER.

Art. 42. In regard to the financial part, we tried to be as economical as possible, consistent with the health and Christian living; yet, despite our efforts, we had to reluctantly close our books at the end of the year with a balance due. We are glad to say, however, that at the present writing means have arrived, and we have a small balance on hand. Following is the financial report from June 1, 1906, to Dec. 31, 1907:

Receipts.

From F. M. Board,	\$121 52	
From Building Fund,	34 02	
From Matoppo Mission,	77 76	
Produce,	7 53	
Total receipts,		\$240 83

Expenditures.

Household expenses,	\$115 06
Labor,	74 72
Material for building and tools, ..	89 83

Native trade, food and supplies	
for boys,	47 83
Other expenses,	21 44
Total,	\$348 88
Balance due Dec. 31, 1906,	\$108 05

FINANCIAL REPORT FOR THE INTERIOR FOR USE ON MACCHA MISSION, FROM JUNE 1, 1906, TO DEC. 31, 1906

BY H. FRANCES DAVIDSON.

Receipts.

Canada,	\$315 58
Ohio,	393 00
Indiana,	105 00
Illinois,	53 98
Iowa,	53 70
Kansas,	566 83
Michigan,	75 46
Pennsylvania,	778 65
California,	10 00
Total,	\$2,352 20

Expenses While in America and Trip Back.

Sent to Matoppo Mission for the work there,	\$263 30
Traveling in America,	126 81
Goods for Matoppo and interior,	50 00
Clothing and postage, personal .	12 91
Ticket from Harrisburg to Bulawayo,	119 32
Baggage and freight,	71 76
Other expenses,	9 90
Total,	654 00

Balance on reaching Africa,	\$1,698 20
Interest,	46 37
Total,	\$1,744 57

Expenses.

Provisions at Mapane and Matoppo,	\$30 28
Wagon and top,	196 44
Total freight and duty on wagon,	163 44
Oxen and outfit,	290 20
Railway fare,	16 44
Goods for natives and Mission work,	98 98
Freight,	60 48
Provisions and household,	74 65
Labor,	119 22
Food for workmen,	53 70
Hardware, repairs, etc.,	85 50
Cattle and sheep,	36 68
Personal and postage,	13 04
Other expenses,	36 32
Total,	1,275 37
Balance on hand, Dec. 31, 1906,	\$469 20

LUCKNOW, INDIA, MISSION.

STATEMENTS OF ACCOUNT ENDING WITH THE 31ST MARCH, 1907.

Art. 43. *Receipts.*

	Rs.	as.	p.
From Board, in July, 1906,	364	8	0
Donation from Brethren,	203	5	0
From Board, in March, 1907,	732	13	0
Total,	936	2	0
Grand total,	1,300	10	0

Expenditures.

In hand.

	Rs.	as.	p.	Rs.	as.	p.	Rs.	as.	p.
Free school,	123	4	0						
Balance due on last account,	190	13	0						
Charity,	162	4	0	314	1	0	50	7	0
W. R. H. & O.,	64	13	0						
Provision,	65	12	0						
Servant,	21	0	0						
Rent,	25	0	0						
Moving,	5	8	0						
Sundries,	47	14	6						
Dry goods,	24	12	0						
Due,	226	0	0						
				638	15	0	297	3	0
				953	0	0	347	10	0

AMOS L. MUSSER.

Thursday, April 4, 1907.

Art. 44. Organization of the different Boards and their apportionments, as follows:

Examining Board.

Charles Baker, Chairman, Batteaux, Ont.; J. N. Engle, Secretary, Abilene, Kas., R. F. D. No. 6.

Publication Board.

Asa Bearss, Chairman, Ridgway, Ont.; C. O. Musser, Secretary, Abilene, Kas.

Home Mission Board.

George Detwiler, Chairman, Harrisburg, Pa.; A. M. Engle, Asst. Chairman, 62 Vincent St., Dayton, Ohio; Girvin Bearss, Secretary, Ridgway, Ont.; Saxton Bowers, Treasurer, Canton, Ohio.

Apportionment as follows:

Silverdale and Lancaster County Districts, Abram Z. Hess, Mt. Joy, Pa.

Lebanon, Dauphin and Lykens Districts and South Franklin, John D. Wingert, Fayetteville, Pa., R. F. D., No. 2.

Cumberland and North Franklin Districts, Sister Lizzie Wingert, Chambersburg, Pa. (Chambersburg Mission).

Juniata County, Morrison's Cove and Centre County Districts, George Detwiler, Harrisburg, Pa.

Stark and Wayne County Districts, Ohio, Saxton Bowers, Canton, Ohio.

Indiana, Dayton, Ohio, Clark and Miami County Districts, Ohio, A. M. Engle, 62 Vincent St., Dayton, Ohio.

Ashland and Richland Districts, Ohio, and Michigan District, Samuel Whisler, Ashland, Ohio.

Illinois and Iowa, H. L. Trump, Polo, Ill.

North Dickinson, Brown and Clay County, Kas., A. O. Zook, Abilene, Kas.

South Dickinson, Kas., Oklahoma and West, Sister Anna Eshleman, Hope, Kas.

Foreign Mission Board.

J. R. Zook, Chairman, Des Moines, Ia.; Eli M. Engle, Secretary, Mt. Joy, Pa.; P. M. Climenhaga, Treasurer, Stevensville, Ont.

Assignment of Territory as follows:

Markham and Nottawa Districts, Ont., Peter Steckley.

Black Creek and Waterloo Districts, P. M. Climenhaga.

Cumberland, Franklin, Center, Juniata Counties, Morrison's Cove, and Lykens Valley Districts, Pa., C. S. Leshner.

Lancaster, York, Lebanon, Dauphin, Montgomery and Bucks County and Philadelphia, Pa., Eli M. Engle.

Ohio and Indiana, J. N. Hoover.

Illinois and Iowa, J. R. Zook.

All territory west of the Missouri River, J. M. Sheets.

Art. 45. A petition from Pennsylvania and Carland Mission, praying Conference to order that all money paid for Home or Foreign Mission work shall be forwarded to the Treasurers of the respective Mission Boards and all money needed for Home or Foreign Mission purposes shall be paid out of the respective treasuries by vouchers countersigned by the chairman and secretary was granted, with the understanding that if private individuals or Sunday Schools contemplate to give a special offering for certain persons or Missions they are privileged to do so without becoming a part of the respective treasuries.

Art. 46. Preceding the last session of the last day of Conference, the outgoing missionaries were given an opportunity to testify as to their callings for the Foreign field, following which Brother Myron Taylor was ordained and a free-will offering was given for the benefit of the missionaries amounting to \$237.60.

Art. 47. Conference confirmed the appointment of the Home Mission Board of the following as evangelistic workers: Noah and Mary Zook, J. R. and Anna Zook, J. B. and Etta Leaman, J. H. and Katie Ann Myers, H. H. and Ida Menaugh, and as Home Mission workers Henry A. and Katie Garman, Abram O. and Lizzie Wenger and Sister Bertha Boulter.

Art. 48. Conference confirmed the appointment of the following as Foreign Mission workers: For South Africa, Myron Taylor, Elmer, Mich.; Jesse and Eudisia Wenger, Englewood, Ohio; Mary Heisey,

Clayton, Ohio; Hannah Baker, Harrisburg, Pa.; Lizzie Engle, Abilene, Kas. For Lucknow Mission, India, Sister Emma Landis, of Philadelphia Mission.

Art. 49. Conference confirmed the report of the Committee on Scriptural references with the condition that the references shall accompany the decisions on the Minutes for which they were intended.

Art. 50. Conference tendered a vote of thanks to the workers who so liberally contributed to the needs and comforts of those who were in attendance, both in labor and in means.

General Conference of the Brethren in Christ of 1907 is another matter of history. Some may feel congratulated on account of the work of Conference while others may be disappointed and possibly displeased, but we trust that those who feel to congratulate themselves for the work of Conference should not be over-confident since there is an enemy on the ground, and if any should be unkindly disposed against any of the decisions of Conference, we trust that they, as well, may bear a little. There are evidences that the enemy of souls is at work and he is just as well satisfied if he can induce some one to inconsistently run ahead in an undertaking of a good cause as if he could induce some one to wilfully retard a good effort.

Our prayer, therefore, is that love and unity might prevail on all sides.

On motion, Conference adjourned to meet in Markham District, Ontario, the third Wednesday of May, 1908, with a preliminary meeting for the dif-

ferent Boards on Tuesday, the day preceding opening of Conference.

J. N. HOOVER,
Recording Sec'y.

J. N. ENGLE,
Moderator.

S. R. SMITH,
Permanent Gen. Cor. Sec'y.

By virtue of Art. 11, of Conference Minutes, 1906,
we insert the following:

ELDERS.

B.

Baker, Samuel, Gormley, Ont.
Baker, Chas., Batteaux, Ont.
Baker, W. O., Louisville, Ohio.
Burkholder, C. C. Upland, Cal.

D.

Detwiler, Jos. B., Souderton, Pa.

E.

Engle, A. M., 62 Vincent St., Dayton, Ohio.
Engle, Jacob N., Abilene, Kas., R. D. No. 6.
Engle, M. G., Abilene, Kas., R. D., No. 1.
Eyster, David, Thomas, Okla.

H.

Heisey, Henry L., Millersville, Pa.
Hoffer, Henry B., Mt. Joy, Pa.
Heise, H. R., Victoria Square, Ont.
Hoover, B. F., Mansfield, Ohio.
Hoover, J. N., West Milton, Ohio, R. D., No. 1.

K.

Kreider, Jacob K., Lebanon, Pa. R. D. No. 10.

M.

Martin, Aaron, Elizabethtown, Pa.

O.

Oberholser, M. H., Chambersburg, Pa., R. D. No. 2.

S.

Stern, Isaac, Roaring Spring, Pa.
Smith, J. H., Weilersville, Ohio.
Stump, John A., Nappanee, Ind.
Steigerwald, H. P., Bulawayo, South Africa.

T.

Trump, Isaac, Polo, Ill.

W.

Winger, Jonas, Stevensville, Ont.
Wildfong, John, Hespeler, Ont.
Wert, Jonathan, Carlisle, Pa., R. D. No. 2.
Wingert, George S. Chambersburg, Pa., R. D. No. 12.
Wingert, J. D., Fayetteville, Pa., R. D. No. 2.
Wingert, Samuel S., Five Forks, Pa.
Wingert, J. B., New Carlisle, Ohio, R. D. No. 4.

Z.

Zook, J. R., 1226 Eleventh St., Des Moines, Ia.

MINISTERS.

A.

Asper, Wm. M., Newburgh, Pa.

B.

Bowers, Fred, Souderton, Pa.
Brehm, S. E., Hummelstown, Pa.
Brubaker, Jacob L., Lawn, Pa.
Books, J. D., Cleona, Pa.
Burkhart, Joseph, Mowersville, Pa.
Bert, S. Z., Mowersville, Pa.
Burkholder, S. S., Chambersburg, Pa., R. D. No. 5.
Brechtbill, H. H., Fayetteville, Pa., R. D. No. 2.
Byers, Joseph H., Greencastle, Pa., R. D. No. 2.
Baker, Peter, Gormley, Ont.
Baker, Isaac, Nottawa, Ont.

Brown, F. M., Woodbury, Pa.
Bearss., Asa, Ridgway, Ont.
Bearss, Girvin, Ridgway, Ont.
Berry, Alvin, Clarence Center, N. Y.
Bohen, Herman, Hope, Kas.
Book, Jacob W., Ramona, Kas.
Bassler, Joseph, Abilene, Kas.
Brechtbill, David, Detroit, Kas., R. D. No. 1.
Bechtel, Aaron, Canton, Ohio, R. D. No. 6.
Byer, J. H., Lake Ann, Mich.

C.

Cassell, Samuel, Bradford, Ohio.
Charleston, John, Mechanicsburg, Pa.

D.

Detwiler, George, 36 N. Cameron St., Harrisburg, Pa.
Deemy, Wm. C., Dallas Center, Ia.
Dohner, Thomas S., Gormley, Ont.
Dick, J. C., Canton, Ohio.
Dick, C. John, Altona, Ind.
Dohner, Levi, Bulawayo, South Africa.

E.

Engle, S. G., 648 N. 39th St., Philadelphia, Pa.
Engle, Eli M., Mt. Joy., Pa., R. D. No. 4.
Elliott, Fred, Richmond Hill, Ont.
Engle, Noah, Abilene, Kas., R. D. No. 2.

F.

Funk, Jerome H., 302 Fairview St., Waynesboro, Pa.
Fike, Peter, Lost Springs, Kas.
Frymire, Jno., Thomas, O. T.
Free, Joseph, Clayton, Ohio, R. D. No. 1.
Free, David, Donnellsville, Ohio.
Frey, Harvey, Bulawayo, South Africa.
Franklin, Thomas, Upland, Cal.

G.

Garwick, H. H., Dallas Center, Iowa, R. D. No. 1.
Graybill, David, Sedgwick, Kas.

H.

Heisey, Jacob L., Washingtonboro, Pa.
Hess, Enos, H., Windom, Pa.
Hess, Noah Z., Lancaster, Pa., R. D. No. 7.
Hess, Abram Z., Mt. Joy, Pa.
Hess, William H., Royersford, Pa. R. D. No. 2.
Hostetter, Abram, Mt. Joy, Pa.
Hostetter C. M., Washingtonboor, Pa.
Heisey, H. H., Greencastle, Pa., R. D. No. 5.
Heise, D. V., Clarence Center, N. Y.
Hallman, Wendall, Berlin, Ont.
Huntzberger, Aaron, New Dundee, Ont.
Herr, John R., Abilene, Kas., R. D. No. 6.
Hoover, John, Sedgwick, Kas.
Heer, Jacob, Green, Kas.
Hoffman, M. L., Abilene, Kas.
Hocker, John, West Milton, Ohio, R. D. No. 1.
Herr, Samuel L., Clayton, Ohio, R. D. No. 1.
Herr, Levi S., Clayton, Ohio, R. D. No. 1.
Hoover, J. W., 51 Edwin St., Toronto.

J.

Jury, Benjamin F., Abilene, Kas., R. D. No. 2.

K.

Kreider, H. K., Campbellstown, Pa.
Koons, John H., Union Deposit, Pa.
Keefer, John A., Millersburg, Pa., R. D. No. 2.
Keefer, Joseph D., Millersburg, Pa., R. D. No. 2.
Klipper, Wm., Batteaux, Ont.
Kreider, Wm., H., Shafton, Ill.
Kern, Wm., Blackwell, O. T.
Kunkle, Jacob, Medway, Ohio.
Knupp, John B., Garrison, Ia.

L.

Lyons, Jonathan, Owosso, Mich., R. D. No. 8.
 Leshner, C. S., Greencastle, Pa., R. D. No. 4.
 Lauver, Solomon, Van Wert, Pa.
 Long, B. Frank, Salona, Pa.
 Landis, Henry, Thomas, Okla.
 Long, T. A., Hillsboro, Kas.
 Leaman, Joseph B., Upland, Cal.
 Longenecker, S. B., Weilersville, Ohio.
 Lehman, C. O., Manheim, Pa.

M.

Martin, Jacob N., Rheems, Pa.
 Martin, Abner, Rheems, Pa.
 Musser, H. O., Elizabethtown, Pa.
 MacTaggart, Alex., Stayner, Ont.
 Martin, D. B., Coleta, Ill.
 Myers, Jacob M., Greencastle, Pa.
 Miller, D. Martin, Martinsburg, Pa.
 Michael, N. C., Shissler's Point, Ont.
 Martin, Eli S., Abilene, Kas., R. D. No. 1.
 Myers, W. J., Massillon, Ohio.
 Miller, Henry S., Bedford, Pa., R. D. No. 5.
 Mahler, Max, Des Moines, Ia., 14th and University Ave.
 Miller, Harvey, Union, Ohio, R. D. No. 1.
 Myers, John H., Mechanicsburg, Pa.
 Musser, Levi O., Mt. Joy, Pa.
 Musser, C. O., Abilene, Kas.

N.

Neisley, David B., Mechanicsburg, Pa.
 Neisley, John B., Allen, Pa., R. D. No. 1.

P.

Powell, J. D., Imlay City, Mich.
 Page, Wm., Detroit, Kas., R. D. No. 1.
 Putman, James, Forks Road, Ont.

R.

Rosenberger, Samuel H., Telford, Pa., R. D. No. 3.
 Reichard, Samuel, Upland, Cal.
 Reichard, John, Fordwich, Ont.
 Reichard, Jacob, Fordwich, Ont.
 Rhodes, Henry, Ramona, Kas.
 Rohrer, D. H., Louisville, Ohio.

S.

Shank, H. C., Waynesboro, Pa.
 Steckley, Peter, Bethesda, Ont.
 Sider, John, Winger, Ont.
 Sholts, Lafayette, Forks Road, Ont.
 Snively, Andrew, Hope, Kas., R. D. No. 2.
 Smith, Eli S., Clay Center, Kas.
 Stauffer, Jacob, Abilene, Kas.
 Sheets, John M., Detroit, Kas., R. D. No. 1.
 Stoner, Samuel B., Hamlin, Kas.
 Stump, John F., Nappanee, Ind.
 Shirk, M. M., Goshen, Ind.
 Stump, Benjamin, Nappanee, Ind.
 Smith, S. R., 42 N. Twelfth St., Harrisburg, Pa.
 Stern, Aaron, Roaring Spring, Pa.

T.

Tyson, George, Graters Ford, Pa.
 Tyson, Enos, Limerick, Pa.
 Trump, H. L., Polo, Ill.
 Teater, John, Nappanee, Ind.
 Taylor, Myron, Bulawayo, S. A.

W.

Wenger, Jesse, Englewood, Ohio.
 Whisler, George E., 25 Hawley St., Buffalo, N. Y.
 Whisler, Samuel, Ashland, Ohio, R. D. No. 1.
 Winger, Abraham, Carville, Ont.
 Winger, John D., Fisherville, Ont.
 Winger, Christian, Springvale, Ont.

Wingert, Abram, Chambersburg, Pa., R. D. No. 1.
Wingert, H. O., Shippensburg, Pa., R. D. No. 4.
Wingert, Samuel B., Hope, Kas.
Wolgemuth, Daniel, Mt. Joy, Pa.
Wolgemuth, David, Florin, Pa.
Wolgemuth, John M., Rheems, Pa.

Z.

Zook, A. G., Morrison, Ill.
Zook, Noah, Harrisburg, Pa.

DEACONS.

A.

Anglemoyer, Henry, Silverdale, Pa.
Ausherman, Lewis, Chambersburg, Pa., R. D. No. 12.

B.

Brenner, C. S., Smithville, Ohio.
Bowers, Saxton, Canton, Ohio, R. D. No. 6.
Brechtbill, John, Canton, Ohio, East Georgetown Road.
Rechtel, E. D., Canton, Ohio.
Bosler, E. R., Louisville, Ohio.
Brubaker, Abram, Morrison, Ill.
Brundage, Joseph, Nappanee, Ind., R. D. No. 1.
Bucher, Peter, Millford, Ind., R. D. No. 2.
Brubaker, Daniel B., Elizabethtown, Pa.
Baum, Henry, Derry Church, Pa.
Bashore, Frank, Hummelstown, Pa.
Bowers, Jacob K., Trappe, Pa.
Brechtbill, John, Mowersville, Pa.
Branthaver, M. L., Chambersburg, Pa., R. D. No. 10.
Brechtbill, John, Williamson, Pa., R. D. No. 1.
Barnhart, Benjamin, Stevensville, Ont.
Bitner, Christian, Mulgrave, Ont.
Bert, Samuel H., Detroit, Kas., R. D. No. 1.
Becker, John, New Dundee, Ont.

Baker, Josephus, Duntroon, Ont.
Brubaker, B. L., 5956 Peoria St., Chicago, Ill.
Book, Daniel.
Bowers, Henry, Hope, Kas.
Brubaker, Martin, Ramona, Kas.
Book, David, Thomas, O. T.
Brenneman, Ephraim, Pleasant Hill, Ohio.
Brubaker, B. F., Ashland, Ohio, R. D. No. 4.

C.

Climenhaga, David, Stevensville, Ont.
Climenhaga, Daniel, Stevensville, Ont.
Cassell, Edwood.
Cassell, Jac. P., 59 Drake Ave., Dayton, Ohio.

D.

Doner, Abram, Stayner, Ont.
Dohner, Moses, Union, Ohio, R. D. No. 1.
Dick, Daniel, Altona, Ind.
Davidson, H. R., Auburn, Ind.

E.

Engle, John B., Boiling Springs, Pa., R. D. No. 1.
Eshelman, Isaac H., Hope, Kas.
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