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MARYLAND ANNUAL CONFERENCE.

Its History and Wonderful Growth Briefly, but Interestingly Told.

Last week we gave a brief outline of the beginning and principles upon which the Maryland Annual Conference of the Methodist Protestant Church was founded. In this the growth and development of the conference is given, which we are sure, will prove of interest to all the members of that denomination in our midst.

GROWTH.

"From Nov. 1828, when the Convention was held that formed the new church, to April, 1830, when the first report of the number of members in in Maryland was made, it appears that 1,874 persons had joined the new organization." While some of these represent the expelled and the seceded members of the mother church, the most of them had been brought in through the evangelistic zeal of the new church. In 1829, as the fruit of ten campmeetings, 338 were added to the churches. At that time sixty preaching places had been established, and the preachers preached almost every day in the year, and on some days more than once. Thus early the Maryland Conference established its right to stand among the great moral forces of the world by doing the work that makes the world better.

The Maryland Conference has from its very inception, been actively interested in all those great concerns through which the church seeks to bring the whole world to the knowledge of God. In the Conference of 1830 a collection was ordered in the interest of foreign missions, and in 1837 a society was formed to further the cause. Throughout all the years the Conference has been the largest contributor to the missionary interests of the denomination.

Home missions have also been much upon the heart of the Conference. Not only in Maryland, but throughout the whole land, the influence of the Conference has been felt in the encouragement of those who carry the gospel to the people who are destitute of spiritual privileges.

Education has also much occupied the attention of the Conference from its early history until now. Many attempts were made to establish a college in the early years, but without success on account of the lack of pecuniary assistance. At last the church founded in Westminster, Western Maryland College, and under a kind providence, the institution has grown to be one of the the leading seats of learning in the State.

Westminster Theological Seminary is also one of the flourishing institutions of the Conference. From its halls have gone forth many educated young men to carry the gospel to the world.

The care of the aged and worn-out ministers, or to use a better word and a kiadlier, the veterans of the Conference, was also one of the labors of love for the Conference in its earlier years. There is a fund now for this purpose which aggregates something like $80,000. A Home for the Aged, located at Westminster, has also the hearty interest of the Conference.

A Book concern has been purchased in Baltimore with a fund collected at the beginning of the Twentieth Century. It has much increased in value since its purchase, and is one of the institutions of which the Conference has a right to feel proud.

We might go on with much more, but these facts are sufficient to show the Conference has been alive and awake to all the interests which ought to concern a body, whose aim is to bring the knowledge of Christ to a lost world.

STATISTICS WHICH ARE NOT DRY.

While the growth of the Conference in the early years was veary marked, it is very gratifying to learn that the largest growth of the body has been in later years. Dr. J. T. Murray, in his history of the Conference, published in 1882, finds great joy in the following facts: The conference has more than a hundred itinerants, 86 pastorates, 210 churches, nearly $7,000,000 of church property, a college with a moneyed interest of $24,000, and that since 1838 the conference has raised for local and general interests fully two millions of dollars, and that in fifty year of its existence it has sent out three hundred preachers, has built 200 churches, at the expense of $700,000 and has been the means of saving 50,000 souls.

Sixteen years later Rev. T. H. Lewis, D. D., in a resolution offered to the Conference proposing the celebration of the 70th Anniversary of the founding of the Conference, gives the following interesting statistics; "The Conference has 145 preachers, 365 churches and parsonages, more than 25,000 church members and nearly 30,000 scholars and officers in the Sunday Schools. The Conference in its seventy years of existence has employed 375 preachers in its itinerant ministry and has received into church fellowship 87,000 souls, and has raised for evangelical purposes $4,111,279."

He declares that the ten years preceding that date were the most prosperous in our history, since in that time we have made a net gain in membership of 42 per cent; in Sunday School scholars and officers of 42 per cent; itinerants of 23 per cent; in the value of church property of 36 per cent; in the amount for church expenses of 58 per cent; and for pastors' salaries 35 per cent.

He gives the statistics of church property as $1,100,000, the annual amount for all porposes as $123,595, an average of $8 per member. The average pastor's salary was $631. During those ten years 27,000 souls were brought into a saving knowledge of Christ, an average of 27 for each itinerant.

A comparison of these figures with those of Dr. Murray's sixteen years before will show a most remarkable growth.

The report of the last session of the Conference will give the present status of the work. There are in the Conference 151 preachers. This shows little gain from the statistics of ten years ago. In common with all denominations our church has suffered from a dirth of ministers to carry forward the work. At our last Conference thirteen charges were left unsupplied. The collections for general interests for the year past were $27,000; for local interests $228,740; for all purposes $266,626; Missions—home and foreign—$11,462. The value of church property is now over two millions, an increase of nearly 130 per cent since 1882. We have 295 appointments, and 292 churches; 106 parsonages; 27,700 members; 31,992 scholars and officers in the Sunday schools. There are 165 C. E. Societies with a membership of 7,648. Our college now has buildings valued at $300,000 as against $24,000 in 1882.

Such is the story of the Maryland Conference in these eighty years of honorable service. The story is much curtailed, and "half has not been told," but enough is here for all who love righteousness, and the triumph of the forces that make for rightousness to "thank God and take courage." With better equipment, and the wisdom of accumulating years, the future of the Conference ought to eclipse the glory of the past as the Sun outshines the Moon. May God grant it may be so.

SERGEANT GOODING RETIRED.

Thrice Commended for Bravery and Injured Saving a Cripple.

After proving himself a hero, Seggt. John H. Gooding, of the Southern district, Baltimore, has been forced into retirement at the age of 38 years. He was retired on Monday by the Police Board.

Early on the morning of January 7 last Sergeant Gooding was the hero of a fire in the home of Mr. Henry Lewis, 32 East York street. While the fire raged the Sergeant ran to one of the upper rooms of the house to rescue a man who was paralyzed. Fighting his way down again the Sergeant fell over an obstacle on the stairs and injured his vertebræ.

Sergeant Gooding was commended by the board for his bravery at the fire and upon two other occasions. He was born S ptember 5, 1870, was appointed to the force June 2, 1892, and was promoted to the rank of sergeant May 14, 1897. He owns a farm of 74 acres near Chestertown, Kent county, and will make his home there.

Sergeant Gooding is the son of the late Sheriff Eugene L. Gooding, of this county, and is well-known here. The people of Kent will be glad to welcome Sergeant Gooding to our midst, and we take much pride in the excellent record he has made on the Baltimore Police Force.

NOW IS BEST TIME TO TAKE.

Directions to Prepare Simple, Yet Remarkable Home Mixture.

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This pleasant mixture, if taken regularly for a few days, is said to overcome almost any case of Rheumatism. The pain and swelling, if any, diminishes with each dose, until permanent results are obtained, and without injuring the stomach. While there are many so-called Rheumatism remedies, patent medicines, etc., some of which do give relief, few really give permanent results, and the above will, no doubt, be greatly appreciated by many sufferers here at this time.

Inquiry at the drug stores of this neighborhood elicits the information that these drugs are harmless and can be bought separately, or the druggists here will mix the prescription for our readers if askel to.

Annual Report

OF

MILTON MELVIN,

TREASURER OF

Kent County School Board

From August 1, 1907 to July 31, 1908.

RECEIPTS:

Balance on hand July 31, 1907	$ 2535.69	
State School Tax	17322.45	
State Free School Fund	1758.99	
County School Tax	25000.00	
Licenses (Tongers)	774.54	
Manuel Training	1500.00	
Free Book Fund	2565.00	
Received for sale of books	43.37	
Balance book money on hand July 31, 1907	45.41	
		$51546.66

DISBURSEMENTS:

Rent	$ 215.00	
Fuel	2644.45	
Repairs	1118.63	
Apparatus and Furniture	593.68	
Teachers' Salaries	34671.50	
New Buildings	50.00	
Sanitary Costs	1450.47	
Incidentals	105.38	
Kindergarten and Manual Training	1635.01	
Office Expenses	177.10	
Salary of Superintendent	1500.00	
Salary of Commissioners	300.00	
Note and Interest	2466.79	
Printing	60.50	
Advertising	30.50	
Expenses of Institute	151.50	
Expenses of State and County Association	30.00	
School Libraries	30.00	
Attorney's Fees for three years	150.00	
School Supplies	50.05	
Amount expended for books	2317.64	
Cost of distribution	12.78	
Balance cash in Second National Bank, less 3 checks not in	2462.09	
Balance cash in Chestertown Bank	213.59	$51546.66

We hereby certify that we have examined the aforegoing report of Milton Melvin, Treasurer of School Board of Kent County, Maryland, and the books and vouchers upon which it is based and find it correct.

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Women's Woolen Gloves, 25c, 50c, and 75c.
Children's Gauntlets and Kid Gloves, 50c, $1.00 and upwards
Children's Woolen Gloves, 25c and 50c.
Books for young and old, 19c, 25c, 35c, 38c, and upwards.
Jewelry and Sterling Silver Novelties, prices start at 25c.
Women's Sweater Coats, $3.35, $4.00 and $5.00.

Toys of all sorts—doll furniture, doll houses, blocks, games, horses and wagons, mechanical toys, musical toys, magic lanterns, velocipedes, tricycles. Prices start at 10c.

China, Bric-a-Brac and Art Wares in widest variety. Prices start at 10c.

Fancy articles of all sorts—hair receivers, pipe and necktie racks, shaving pads, glove and handkerchief boxes. 25c, 50c and upwards.

Boxed Writing Paper, in Christmas Boxes, 19c to $1.00.

Fancy Inkstands, Paper Cutters, Pen Trays, Book Racks, and Stamp Boxes, 50c to $3.00.

Christmas Post Cards, 1c, 2½c, 5c, 10c and 15c.

Christmas Booklets, 5c, 10c, 15c and 25c.

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Returning, Steamer will leave Chestertown weather permitting, Monday, Wednesday and Friday at 8 o'clock A. M., stopping at all the above points, arriving at Baltimore about 1 o'clock P. M.

STEAMER CORSICA.

(In effect October 12th, 1908.)

Steamer will leave Baltimore, weather permitting, Wednesdays 5 P. M., stopping at Quaker Neck, Bookers, Rolph's, Chestertown, Buckingham, Spry's, Deep Landing, Crumpton.

Returning, Steamer will leave Crumpton, weather permitting, for Baltimore, Thursday 7 A. M. stopping at the above landings.

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FALL SCHEDULE.

(weather permitting.)

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(In effect October 6th, 1908.)

Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays, steamer leaves Baltimore at 2 45 P. M. for Tolchester, Betterton, Havre de Grace and Port Deposit.

Tuesdays, Thursdays and Saturdays leave Port Deposit at 7.00 A. M., Havre de Grace 7.30 A. M., Betterton 8.45 A. M., Tolchester 10.15 A. M.

SASSAFRAS RIVER LINE

(In effect October 5th, 1908.)

Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays, steamer will leave Fredericktown at 7.00 A. M., Betterton 8.15 A. M., Buck Neck 9.30 A. M., Gales 9.45 A. M., Tolchester 10.15 A. M.

Tuesdays, Thursdays and Saturdays leave Baltimore at 2 45 P. M. for the above landings. Does not stop at Buck Neck on Saturdays, but does stop at Gales.

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