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THE MINUTES OF THE  
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IN NORTH AMERICA  
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Grand Cote Reformed Presbyterian Church,  
Coulterville, Ill.

May 16, 1928, 8 P. M.

SESSION CV.

The General Synod of the Reformed Presbyterian Church in North America met in its one hundred and fifth session in the Grand Cote R. P. Church, Coulterville, Ill., Wednesday, May 16, 1928 at 8 P. M.

After appropriate devotional exercises, led by Rev. Paul W. Duncan, pastor of the Grand Cote Church, the Rev. R. C. Montgomery, D. D., retiring Moderator and pastor of the Seventh Church, Philadelphia, preached the opening sermon, using for his text, Isa. 42: 6 and 7, "I the Lord have called thee in righteousness, and will hold thine hand, and will keep thee and give thee for a covenant of the people, for a light of the Gentiles; to open the eyes, to bring out the prisoners from the prison, and them that sit in darkness out of the prison house."

The sermon was a very able presentation of the fact that religion is essentially the hearing of and answer to a divine call, a reliance upon the holding of the divine hand, a trust in the keeping of Israel's God, and a delight in being used in the Divine service.

Synod was then constituted with prayer by the retiring Moderator.

The following resolution was adopted:

Resolved, That the hours for meeting and adjournment of the Synod be as follows: Meet at 9 A. M.; adjourn at 12 M. Meet at 2 P. M., and adjourn by resolution, the first half hour of each morning's session to be spent in devotional exercises.

The report of the Committee on Devotional Exercises was presented and adopted.

#### REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON DEVOTIONAL EXERCISES

To the General Synod of the Reformed Presbyterian Church in North America.

Your Committee on Devotional Exercises would report as follows:

Thursday, May 17th. Subject, "A Christian Home", Numbers 6: 23 & 26. Leader, the retiring Moderator.

Friday, May 18th. Subject, "Foreign Missions", Matthew 28:19 & 20. Leader, Rev. A. E. Gregg.

Saturday, May 19th. Subject, "Home Missions", Matthew 15:24. Leader, Rev. W. R. McClesney, D. D.

Respectfully submitted,

JOHN PARKS,

ALBERT E. GREGG,

Committee.

The following was adopted:

Whereas, Rev. Alexander Savage, D. D., who for the first time in over half a century, is detained from the meeting of this General Synod, Resolved, that the following telegram be forwarded to him by the Clerk:

General Synod in Session in Coulterville, Ill., this May 16th, 1928, sends affectionate greeting to Dr. Alexander Savage, and prays that grace, mercy and peace from the triune God may be his blessed and abiding portion."

Upon resolution, Synod then adjourned, Rev. Paul W. Duncan leading in the concluding prayer.

Same place, May 17th., 1928, 9 A. M.

The Synod was called to order by the Moderator, who constituted the Court with prayer, and led in Devotional Exercises, according to the program.

The Minutes of the last night's session were read and approved.

Certificates of Delegations from the various Presbyteries were submitted as follows:

#### CERTIFICATE OF DELEGATION OF THE PHILADELPHIA PRESBYTERY

This certifies that at the semi-annual meeting of the Philadelphia Presbytery held in the Fifth Reformed Presbyterian Church, Front and

York Streets, on May 1st., 1928 at 8 P. M., the following members were chosen delegates to attend the meeting of General Synod to be held in the Coulterville Reformed Presbyterian Church, Coulterville, Illinois, on the Third Wednesday in May, at 8 P. M.:

Ministers—Robert C. Montgomery, John Parks, Thomas Whyte, R. W. Chesnut.

Elders, principal—Messrs. Robert Getty, Samuel Black, Samuel Sinclair.

Elders, alternate—Messrs. Benjamin Blair, William G. Savage, W. J. Caldwell.

Member of the Nominating Committee—Rev. R. W. Chesnut, his alternate to be Rev. John Parks.

THOMAS WHYTE, Clerk of Presbytery.

#### CERTIFICATE OF DELEGATION FROM THE PITTSBURGH PRESBYTERY

These certify that the following members of Presbytery were chosen Delegates at a regular meeting of Presbytery held in the White R. P. Church, April 10, 1928, to attend the meeting of General Synod at Coulterville, Ill., on the third Wed. of May, 1928. Namely:

Ministers—Rev. Albert E. Gregg and Rev. Alexander Savage, D. D.

Ruling Elders—Mr. Samuel A. Duncan and Mr Samuel Osburne, Principals.

General Alternates—Mr. Samuel Gregg and R. W. Watterson, M. D, Rev. Albert E. Gregg was chosen Principal to represent Presbytery on the Nominating Committee.

Rev. Savage, D. D., Alternate.

Signed,

ALEXANDER SAVAGE, Clerk of Pitts. Presbytery.

New Galilee, Pa.

April 10, 1928.

#### CERTIFICATE OF DELEGATION OF THE OHIO PRESBYTERY

This certifies, that at the meeting of the Ohio Presbytery, held in Cedarville, Ohio, May 14, 1928, the following were elected delegates to the General Synod of the Reformed Presbyterian Church, to meet in the Reformed Presbyterian Church, Coulterville, Illinois, May 16, 1928: Ministers, principals—Rev. W. R. McChesney, D. D., Rev. F. A. Jurkat, LL. D.

Ruling Elder—Henley McIntosh, of the Houston, Ky., Congregation.

Member of Nominating Committee—Rev. F. A. Jurkat.

F. A. JURKAT, Clerk.

#### CERTIFICATE OF DELEGATION FROM THE WESTERN PRESBYTERY

This is to certify that at the annual meeting of the Western Presbytery in Sparta, Ill., May 11, 1928, the following were named delegates and alternates:

Ministers—Rev. Paul W. Duncan, Rev. R. W. Stewart, Rev. L. A. Benson

Alternates—Rev. S. M. Ramsey, and Rev. John C. Taylor.

Elders—A. C. Fullerton, and M. J. Ervin.

Alternates—Wm. Fullerton and Jos. Gilmour.

Rev L. A. Benson was appointed on the Nominating Committee.

PAUL W. DUNCAN, Moderator.

D. M. REID, Clerk.

The roll was called:

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### ROLL OF SYNOD

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Ministers.	Elders.
Revs. R. W. Stewart	Robert Getty
“ R. C. Montgomery, D. D.	Samuel Black
“ John Parks, D. D.	Samuel Sinclair
“ Thomas Whyte, D. D.	Samuel A. Duncan
“ R. W. Chesnut, Ph. D.	Samuel Osborne
“ Albert E. Gregg.	Hugh A. Dickey
“ Alexander Savage, D. D.	D. M. Reid
“ Paul W. Duncan,	A. C. Fullerton
“ L. A. Benson, D. D.	Jos. Gilmour
“ W. R. McChesney, D. D.	Henry McIntosh
“ F. A. Jurkat, LL. D.	

The matter of the proposed change in the rule requiring the reading of the entire minutes of last year's session (See page 4 of the minutes of 1927) was then taken up. It was voted that this rule be permanently dispensed with.

Synod then proceeded to elect officers.

Rev. Robert W. Stewart, pastor of the Bethel Congregation, was elected Moderator. Rev. Thos. Whyte, D. D., was chosen a committee to escort the newly elected Moderator to the chair. Dr. Montgomery, the retiring Moderator, in an appropriate way, received Rev. Stewart, the newly elected Moderator, and transferred the symbol of authority to his hand. Rev. Stewart, upon taking the chair, thanked the Synod for the honor thus conferred upon him, and asked that the members be patient and helpful in the conduct of the business of the Court.

Rev. L. A. Benson, D. D., was re-elected stated clerk and Treasurer.

Rev. R. W. Chesnut, Ph. D, was re-elected Assistant Clerk.

The Philadelphia Presbytery presented its report.

The report was received and referred to the Committee on Presbyterial Reports.

### REPORT OF THE PHILADELPHIA PRESBYTERY

To the General Synod of the Reformed Presbyterian Church, to meet in the Coulterville Reformed Church, Coulterville, Illinois, on the Third Wednesday in May, at 8 P. M.

During the Synodic year two regular meetings have been held. At our annual meeting held on November 1, 1927, the general routine business was transacted and officers for the ensuing year elected.

At our Semi-annual meeting held on May 1, 1928, delegates were chosen to attend General Synod.

At this meeting the Presbytery reappointed the Rev. R. W. Chestnut as stated supply for another year, and granted the request of the Duaneburg congregation that Presbytery ask the Home Mission Board for an appropriation of \$200.00 to supplement their pastor's salary.

Our churches have been able to meet their financial obligations, and have contributed generously to the different benevolent schemes connected with our denomination.

The sacraments have been regularly dispensed, and encouraging additions have been made to our membership.

Praying for God's blessing to be upon the deliberations of General Synod, we respectfully submit our report.

ROBERT C. MONTGOMERY, Moderator.  
THOMAS WHYTE, Clerk.

The Pittsburgh Presbytery presented its report. The report was received and referred to the Committee on Presbyter-

ial Reports.

### REPORT OF THE PITTSBURGH PRESBYTERY

During the past Synodic year two regular meetings of Presbytery have been held.

Matters are moving along normally within our bounds.

The First R. P. Congregation, E. E. Pitts., Pa., under the care of the efficient and faithful service of the excellent young minister and his capable staff of ruling elders are doing a grand work for the maintenance and spread of the Gospel there. Since Rev. Albert E. Gregg took charge of the congregation, one hundred members have united.

The Sabbath School is in a flourishing condition. Their contribution to the cause of Missions is large.

The gift of the Ladies' Aid Society paid the tuition of a bright, intelligent female student in the Ky. Mission High School; the sum of which was ninety dollars.

The Spiritual smile of the Divine favor evidently rests on pastor, officers, members and children in this congregation; and we pray that it may be continued for the Divine glory and continued prosperity of this worthy congregation.

It is with pleasure, in connection with the R. P. Congregation of Fairview, Beaver Co., Pa., that the Presbytery commends the arrangement that they have made with the Four-Mile U. P. Church, Beaver Co., Pa., to have preaching regularly every alternate Sabbath from the 1st. of May, 1928 to the 1st. of May, 1929. They have made such an arrangement with the excellent young minister who has rather an unusual name — Rev. John Smith. These churches are three miles apart, therefore if they desire, they can have preaching every Sabbath day.

The Fairview Congregation is to pay for his service for one year the sum of \$1000.00 — receiving their usual aid from the Home Mission Board the sum of \$300.00. The Four-Mile Church also pays \$1000.00. We pray that the Divine blessing may rest upon this important arrangement, for the glory of Christ, the spread of the Gospel and the Salvation of souls.

The Woman's Missionary Societies and the Ladies' Aid Societies are to be highly commended for the excellent work they have done in promoting the interests of Christ's Kingdom during the past Synodic Year.

The showers of Divine grace have not yet began to fall in a large manner in our community, but still we have the dews of Divine grace and they continue to impart, where believingly used, life that shall never end.

We have no Literary or Theological students at present under the care of Presbytery.

Praying that wisdom may be given to the Synod from on high, and Spiritual direction in the path of duty to lead the Court to such conclusions as the King and Head of the Church will abundantly bless to His honor and glory and the salvation of His people. We respectfully submit our Report.

(Signed) ALEXANDER SAVAGE.  
New Galilee, Pa.

May 14, 1928.

The Ohio Presbytery presented its report. This report was received and referred to the Committee on Presbyterial Reports.

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### REPORT OF THE OHIO PRESBYTERY

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To the General Synod of the Reformed Presbyterian Church, to meet in Coulterville, Illinois, May 16, 1928:

The Ohio Presbytery reports as follows;

The annual meeting of the Presbytery was held at Cedarville, Ohio, May 14, 1928, and the routine business was conducted in due order. At the last meeting of General Synod, the mission congregation at Houston, Kentucky, was annexed to the Presbytery. At the Presbytery meeting Rev. W. R. McChesney and Rev. F. A. Jurkat were the only attendants, a delegate from the Houston congregation not being able to attend. However, a letter was received from Elder Henley McIntosh, stating that the congregation was struggling along as best they could, without the services of a pastor. While the mission school has been well conducted during the last year, under the auspices of the Home Mission Board, a pastor is sorely needed, to make the work a complete success.

The two principals of the Presbytery have continued their work at the Cedarville College, striving as best they can to maintain the principles of the Reformed Presbyterian Church.

Praying that the blessing of God may rest upon your deliberations, we respectfully submit our report.

F. A. JURKAT, Clerk.

The Western Presbyterian presented its report. The report was received and referred to the committee on Presbyterial Reports.

### THE REPORT OF THE WESTERN PRESBYTERY

To the General Synod of the Reformed Presbyterian Church Meeting in Coulterville, Illinois, May 16th., 1928.

The Western Presbytery of the Reformed Presbyterian Church has held one regular and two called meetings during the past Synodic year. There are now five congregations in the Presbytery and one of these has voted to disband. Rev. S. M. Ramsey, of another of these, has advised against continuing the work there indefinitely.

During the past year the Bethel Congregation, which has been vacant since the resignation of Rev. W. J. Smiley, has been blessed with a settled pastor.

The work has been prosperous in the Grand Cote Congregation. The Pastor, Rev. Paul W. Duncan, has also furnished preaching on Sabbath afternoons to the Concord Congregation. The work at Republican City has been carried on in the usual manner with something of encouragement and success.

The matter of the dissolution of the Concord Congregation came up at the annual meeting of the Presbytery in Sparta, Illinois, May 11th.

The reasons urging such action were not, at this time, presented to the Presbytery. But at former meetings of the Presbytery the delegate from the Concord Session has presented the situation so that it is well understood. The membership has been reduced by removals and by death. The interest has in some measure been lost because of the lack of regular services and a regular Pastor. The community has changed in population so that there is very little prospect of reaching persons who will give attention to our appeal in behalf of the Gospel. The introduction of the auto and of paved roads makes it possible for the members to attend services at other churches, where services are held at a more convenient hour. Rev. Duncan and the Concord Session deserve credit for doing what they could to prevent this historic organization from failing. It was the conviction of the Presbytery that since the congregation is practically unanimous in this action to disband, it had little power to change conditions and to keep the work going. A committee was therefore appointed to ascertain just what steps would be necessary, and what conditions must be met in bringing about such contemplated dissolution. This committee when ready to report will notify Rev. Paul W. Duncan, Moderator, of the Western Presbytery, who will then call a meeting of the Presbytery to act in the consummation of the matter.

Rev. S. M. Ramsey gave a report of his work to the Presbytery. It is the desire of his heart to continue to preach so long as God in his Providence will permit. He does not desire to be a burden to the Home Mission Board and suggests that if the Synod can give him the amount from the "Board of Disabled Ministers" Fund which it allowed him last year, he would try and manage to get along with that.

The Presbytery is not able to decide as to whether the Synod would favor drawing more on the Disabled Ministers Fund. But the Presbytery is anxious that Rev. Ramsey and his daughter be given ample encouragement and support and with this request would leave the matter with the Synod.

The Republican City Congregation in its annual meeting made request for \$250.00 supplement of Salary. This also is referred to the Synod for decision with the request that it be granted if it can be done in justice to other demands upon the Synod.

The Presbytery rejoices in the work being done by one of its ministers as leader of our Foreign Mission work in India, and in the con-



tinued faithfulness of another of our ministers, alone in our most Western point. We long for the fellowship of these faithful Brethren. We plead for them and their work in Christ the special Blessing of the Lord. Praying that the Spirit's Presence and Blessing may be upon the Synod, we submit this report.

PAUL W. DUNCAN, Moderator.  
D. M. REID, Clerk.

The Stated Clerk read a letter from Dr. S. M. Ramsey to the General Synod. It was voted that we cordially reciprocate this friendly greeting of Dr. Ramsey and authorize the Clerk to return a suitable reply:

#### LETTER FROM DR. RAMSEY

To the General Synod of the Reformed Presbyterian Church, to meet in Coulterville, Illinois, May 16, 1928.

Dear Brethren.

In the kind providence of God another year has passed by, and we have not yet been called to the place which our Saviour is preparing for us. The Lord has been good to us, in allowing us to preach 45 Sabbaths, during the past year. But, "the time is short", the call of the Master will soon come, what a bright prospect is before us all, if we are faithful to our Lord. "Thou wilt show me the path of life; in thy presence is fullness of joy; at thy right hand there are pleasures forever more."—Ps. 16: 11. "Be patient therefore brethren unto the coming of the Lord."—James 5.

"I know my hand may never reap its sowing;  
And yet some others may.  
And I may never see it growing,  
So short my little day."

"Still I must sow, though I go forth in weeping;  
I will not, I cannot stay.  
God grant a harvest, though I be sleeping  
Beneath the shadows gray."

Coulterville, the place of your meeting, carries me back to a summer evening sixty years ago, when I rode into the town in the old stage, and first saw "the old Meeting House", and landed at the door of its good old pastor, Dr. Bratton. He did a work in that community of which any minister might be proud. Then there was that blessed old patriarch, Dr. Samuel Wylie, of Eden, the pioneer of Presbyterianism, in all of Randolph, St. Clair and Perry Counties. And there was also that old Saint of a preacher at Concord, Michael Harshaw, "a man in whom there was no guile." Rev. J. Nevin of Hill Prairie, had only a little before, gone to his Eternal home, and I was sent to preach in his pulpit for three months, by no means to fill it! May the spirit and power of those pastors and people rest upon those who are now occupying their places. My constant prayer is, that God may guide and bless you every one, and that He may cause the work of our Saviour to redound to his glory. "And now brethren, I commend you to God, and to the Word of His Grace, which is able to build you up, and to give you all inheritance among all them who are sanctified."

With cordial greetings,

Your Brother in the Gospel,  
SAMUEL M. RAMSEY.

The Treasurer of General Synod's Administration Fund reported. The report was accepted and referred to the Auditing Committee.

**REPORT OF THE TREASURER OF THE ADMINISTRATION FUND**

To the General Synod of the R. P. Church Meeting in Coulterville, May 16-20, 1928:

RECEIPTS

May 21, 1927.	Balance in hand -----	\$ 98.17
May 21, 1927.	Received D. M. Reid from The Foreign Mission Board -----	100.00
July 11, 1927.	Received W. J. Imbrie from The Board of Extension -----	150.00
July 11, 1927.	Received W. J. Imbrie from The Lamb Fund -----	125.00
April 21, 1928.	Received W. J. Imbrie from The Home Mission Board -----	100.00
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		\$573.17

EXPENSES

May 21, 1927.	To Rev. R. W. Chesnut, Assistant Clerk ----	\$ 25.00
May 21, 1927.	To the Janitor of the Pittsburgh Church ----	20.00
May 21, 1927.	Stated Clerk and Treasurer -----	50.00
July 7, 1927.	To Rev. R. W. Chesnut Publishing the Minutes -----	115.00
July 21, 1927.	To Rev. R. W. Chesnut Publishing the Advocate -----	150.00
Jan. 13, 1928.	To Rev. R. W. Chesnut Publishing the Advocate -----	50.00
Jan. 13, 1928.	To Philip E. Howard, Treasurer of the Alliance -----	60.00
Apr. 23, 1928.	To Rev. R. W. Chesnut, Publishing the Advocate -----	50.00
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		\$520.00

Moneys in hand -----	\$573.17
Disbursements -----	520.00
Balance on hand -----	\$ 53.17

L. A. BENSON.

Audited and found correct. May 18, 1928.

S. A. DUNCAN  
F. A. JURKAT.  
D. M. REID.  
Committee.

It was then moved that the appropriation for the Administration Fund for the ensuing year, be the same as last year, to wit:

From the Theological Seminary Fund -----	\$100.00
From the Home Mission Board -----	100.00
From the Lamb Fund -----	125.00
From the Foreign Mission Board -----	100.00
From the Board of Church Extension -----	150.00
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Total ----- \$575.00

and that the Treasurers be respectively requested to pay these sums to L. A. Benson, Treasurer of General Synod.

The Publisher of the Advocate reported. The report was received, approved, and the Treasurer of Synod's Administration Fund was authorized to pay \$250.00 to Rev. R. W. Chesnut, Ph. D., for supplementing the expenses of publishing the Advocate.

#### REPORT OF THE PUBLISHER OF THE ADVOCATE

The publisher of the Advocate would report that during the past year the Advocate has been issued the first of each month. The subscription list is about the same as last year. There are 290 names on the list, and \$205 have been received and there is about \$80 due that we consider good.

For the past year we have tried to keep the expenses down so that there would be no deficit.

The financial statement is as follows:

Publishing 12 Issues -----	\$380.00
Editor's Salary -----	75.00
<b>Total -----</b>	<b>\$455.00</b>
Income from Subscriptions -----	\$205.00
Synod's Appropriation -----	250.00
<b>Total -----</b>	<b>\$455.00</b>

This is \$25 less than last year. At present we cannot promise this low price another year. If we are to carry on the work another year, it will be necessary to have the usual appropriation of \$250.

Respectfully submitted,

R. W. CHESNUT.

Audited and found correct.

S. A. DUNCAN.  
F. A. JURKAT.  
D. M. REID.

The Delegate to the Christian Reformed Church reported. The report was approved and ordered published in the Minutes.

#### REPORT OF FRATERNAL DELEGATE TO THE CHRISTIAN REFORMED CHURCH

Your committee regrets to report that it was not able to learn where or when the Synod of the Christian Reformed Church was due to meet until after the meeting had been held. We, therefore, were unable to arrange for attendance or for felicitous greetings by mail. This is too bad, in view of the many very happy and pleasant greetings which the General Synod has received from the Christian Reformed Church.

The fact that the doctrinal position of these two Churches is so similar, and in view of the similar character of her mode of worship, it seems that we ought to cultivate a more intimate relationship. When on previous occasions we have had with us the fine spirited and able Ministers of the Christian Reformed Church, we have rejoined in a sense of a Fraternal and Christian relationship.

Although we failed to be present at the Meeting of their Synod, we can say, "We in the name of God the Lord do wish you to be blessed", and so saying we believe that we represent the General Synod of the Reformed Presbyterian Church.

Sincerely yours,

L. A. BENSON.

Committee on the Signs of the Times reported. The report was approved and ordered published in the Minutes.

### "THE SIGNS OF THE TIMES"

It has been customary for many years to have some one present to the Synod a paper upon the Signs of the Times. To do this profitably one would need something of the gift of the Seer.

In Matthew's Gospel 16th. Chapter and first verse, we have the record—"The Pharisees also with the Sadducees came and tempting desired that He would show them a sign from Heaven. He answered and said unto them, 'When it is evening ye say it will be fair weather for the sky is red, and in the morning it will be foul weather today for the sky is red and lowering. Oh Ye hypocrites, ye can discern the face of the sky, but can ye not discern the signs of the times? A wicked and adulterous generation seeketh after a sign; and there shall no sign be given it, but the sign of the prophet Jonah.'"

The same conditions prevail in our day. Men are very quick to get their bearings and to take advantage of changes in the financial, the social or the political world, but how slow to act in the spiritual world. The invention of the auto caused the starting of thousands of Agencies, Factories, Repair Shops, Junk Yards, Filling Stations, Eating Counters, Stores, Tourist Camps, etc. The invention of the radio caused millions of money to be invested in Radio Materials. How quick men are to sense changes in the market and to buy or sell accordingly—How slow are they in sensing the real values of the abiding wealth!

A church ought to stop and recapitulate, just as a military leader must do, the questions,—What are we doing? Are we advancing or drifting? Do we faithfully meet our opportunities? Are we really faithful to the trust committed to us? Do we walk by faith? Or are we walking by sight? These are vital questions, and time spent in considering them cannot be said to be lost.

There are signs — evidences — which serve to aid us in answering these questions, and it is well that we consider them.

First of all, let us recall our heritage and our consequent obligations.

Our Fathers who stood so nobly for liberty of conscience and the fundamental rights of men against the tyranny and aggression of Prelacy and Popery, made great sacrifices and rendered noble service. Their children who preserved the heritage thus given them and transmitted them to us deserve proper recognition for what they did. The pioneers of the Church—The Pilgrim Fathers, so to speak, of the faith who invaded every settlement and did their best to erect a beacon light for holding forth the Word of Life, rendered wonderful service.

For centuries it was considered the essence of loyalty to "Keep the Faith." Now it is too often regarded as a proof of scholarship to assail the Faith. Our Fathers lived in a very important era of the World's History; ours is just as important as theirs was. Out of sincere devotion our Fathers made great sacrifices and bore great burdens. Are we proving such devotion? Or are we selling our birthright for a miserable mess of Pottage?

The fact that the Church of Jesus Christ is so divided and so ineffective has an explanation. That she is not powerful as once in social or civil affairs is not without cause. Whether she counts a few more or a few less members to her credit is not so important as whether these members "deny self, take up a cross and follow Christ." The wealth of

the Church, her great programs and performances, means little when compared with Love for Christ, Love for His service, Love for His followers, Love for a sin-cursed world.

Having rich influential men and women in the membership of the Church may be the occasion of joy and congratulation, but having men and women who will not trim their course or compromise with evil is vastly better. But in our determination to be loyal and steadfast for Christ and His truth, we must take heed not to lose perspective.

The first and most important term of communion is Faith in Jesus Christ as the Saviour sent of God. But you will not find that listed among our terms of Ecclesiastical Communion. There are good men who hold that Faith in Christ is the only Scriptural basis of Christian fellowship, but we have six and this one is not explicitly stated. Have you asked why? Well, our Fathers were listing those terms or principles which distinguished us among the churches, they never intended to omit the one great basis of fellowship but the drift was in that direction, and the signs are that the drift has been rapid and extensive. There has been a gradual down grade, beginning with the plea that the Bible is not verbally inspired and extending to the belief common today that its inspiration is no more than the inspiration in any good literature, which means that we have no Bible at all.

This drift is seen in the change which has turned the Holy Day of the week into a day for excursion trains, ball games, picnics, visiting, parties, anniversary meetings, anything but religious services.

It is seen in the passing of the prayer meeting and habits of devout study of God's Word.

It is seen in lack of faith in the doctrine of eternal punishment for sin, the jests so common about "The Hot Place" and the general carelessness about conduct.

It is evident in the tendency to seek first the affairs of this world and to carelessly rely upon God adding the Kingdom of Righteousness.

While multitudes about us have been slipping away from the faith of the Gospel, while thousands of young people have not been taught its vast importance, those who should have been teaching and emphasizing that great truth have been fighting about whether one should be immersed or sprinkled in baptism, about whether the cup should be given to the laity, or whether it be right to read prayers, or whether women should hold office or preach, or whether children should be baptized, or if it be right to use an instrument in worship, or shall we sing psalms or hymns in praise? or shall we sing without first lining out, and many such questions.

If Christ were to speak now, would he not say, "Ye make the offer of grace of none effect by your traditious teaching for doctrines the commandments of men?"

That there is a right and a wrong side to these questions, we must admit, but anyone who is more intent on holding forth his side of any of these minor matters than he is upon holding forth Christ as the only Saviour, is confessing his ignorance of the grace of Christ. And anyone who in his passion to have his way on these things tears himself apart from the love that should bind together in the Lord, confesses himself ignorant of the Love of Christ. And if we fail to get that conclusion, the world does not fail, there is still a firm belief in Christ but not so much belief in those who confess him. And honestly brethren, can you blame the world for not accepting the church as the real representative of Divine truth? Can you?

When such a proportion of the membership refuse to adhere to the Scripture statements as to the Birth of Christ, as to the Sacrifice of

Christ for sin, as to the Resurrection the Physical Resurrection of Christ, that a conference or Synod or assembly puts the issue on the table rather than meet and decide it, can you blame one for doubting if such are led of God? Or are commissioned of God to lead others? Can you imagine Paul when asked if he were a fundamentalist begging to be excused lest his answer divide the Church? What is any Church worth which dare not proclaim the truth? I hear Paul stating the matter with a force and terseness worthy of the issue, when he says, "If any man love not the Lord Jesus Christ, let him be cursed with a curse." "Though we or an angel from Heaven preach any other gospel than that we have preached, believe him not." There is a positiveness about the messages of the Evangelists that admits of no disputing. "There is none other name under heaven given among men whereby we must be saved." Christ was positive, "Verily, Verily, I say unto you, except ye believe that I am he, ye shall die in your sins." "He that hath the Son hath life, he that hath not the Son hath not life."

The first duty of the Church is to witness for Christ. The great commission given makes it obligatory to preach the gospel everywhere. The Church which is not doing mission work, evangelistic work is a barren fig tree and it will certainly be cut down. Some people are grieving because our Church seems to be dying out, we ought to grieve because we do so little to foster revivals, because we do so little to sustain our mission work. It is a shame that when our Boards report that offerings amounting to \$6.00 per member would maintain Home and Foreign Missions and our College, that these worthy agencies are crippled for lack of support. In certain congregations where this request has been published faithfully, far less than half of the membership have paid as much as Six Dollars, and scarcely any one more than that, resulting in less than a fifty percent response to the appeal. Do we believe in Missions? The answer we have made is, No, not very much. Do we believe in Christ? And our offering and inactivity reply, No, not fifty percent.

To bear fruit one must have faith, he must believe tremendously enough to obey Christ, enough to invest time, money, prayers in the coming of the Kingdom. If a Church does not do that, it may have a name to live but it is really dead, and the Church that will not do that ought to die and get out of the way. The one important possession is the knowledge of Christ. The only reasonable attitude for any Christian is to spend and be spent in spreading that blessed knowledge. To be inactive in this, unconcerned about who learns of God's love to us in Christ, is to say by actions that you do not have Him yourselves. We are not taking our task seriously. We are not sufficiently awake to the greatness of our calling. The idea of men and women claiming to be saved from sin by the atoning love of Christ and yet cannot, will not, invest \$6.00 in 365 days that others might have the same Blessing. What a low value you place on the unspeakable gift if you spend more for candy, ice cream, movie picture shows, than you do to keep the heralds of the Cross going on with the glad news. Yet scores of so called Church Members spend more, ten times more, for tobacco than they do for bringing the glorious truth to those who do not have it.

The evidence is that the Church has quite generally turned down the Divinely given praise book, the psalms, and accepted in their place that which is pleasing to the sensuous ear. Even the U. P. Church now has hymns bound up in their new Book of Praise. And still God's challenge stands, "What is the chaff to the wheat, saith the Lord?" Again it seems that we must plead guilty to neglect of our great blessings, the inspired Songs, and nothing can compare with them, and we

did not provide a book with appropriate music. For forty years we have had no such thing to offer to our members. Consequently the method of singing was poor and without concord. We had the best and sang them the worst, and people said, "Well, we want something else", and they obtained something else. How many parents have educated their children to sing without instrumental accompaniment? And then expect them to do so at Church. It cannot be done. Children cannot sing without training, cannot sing in harmony without training any more than they can play a piano without practice. And there is no religion in discord. And young people will avoid it and leave our fellowship if we persist in it. God has forbidden us to offer a lame sacrifice and we ought to be ashamed if we are too indifferent to make full preparation for celebrating the Divine Praise.

If this paper sounds like a complaint, let us face the facts. The Signs seem to point to lack of appreciation of God's great gift, lack of willingness to be used in God's work, to a withholding of what God asks us to spend for the coming of the Kingdom. Why is Dr. Taylor hampered for lack of sufficient budget? Why does our college have such a struggle for existence? Why do none of our homes supply young men as candidates for the gospel ministry? (For several years there has been not one of our own young men in our seminary. Why? Why does our home mission work languish? God's hand is not shortened that it cannot save." "Is there no balm in Gilead, is there no physician there? Why then, is not the hurt of the daughter of my people recovered?" We have been inoculating people with a mild form of Christianity which makes them proof against the real thing.

A day of prayer and fasting and humbling ourselves before God is needed. He has said, "He that hath my commandments and keepeth them, he it is that loveth me." His commandment is that we believe on him whom God hath sent. "Believe also in Me." His commandment is, "That we love one another", that we "Deny self, take up the cross and follow Him," "That all things whatsoever ye would that men should do to you, do ye also to them."

Every sign points to the great amount to be done to prepare the way of the Lord, and to the uncertainty as to how much time we may have.

"Must Jesus bear the cross alone,  
And all the world go free,  
No, there's a cross for every one,  
And there's a cross for me."

L. A. BENSON, Com.

The Committee on Temperance reported. The report was approved and ordered published in the Minutes.

#### REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON TEMPERANCE

To the General Synod of the Reformed Presbyterian Church in North America:

Your Committee on Temperance would respectfully report as follows:

Since early in Old Testament times the temperance question has been a serious problem to solve, and many plans have been tried out in efforts to destroy the curse of the use of intoxicating liquors. Temperance Societies have been formed to do the work and many kinds of laws have been passed to restrict the business of making and selling intoxi-

cants; and the moral suasion idea has been tried to make men sober, while the cause of drunkenness itself has been allowed until recently to live and thrive under the protection of law.

After years of agitation, political and otherwise, some of the states, notably Maine and Kansas, adopted Prohibition as their policy by Constitutional amendments. More recently several states did the same, and during the World War, the United States followed by making all necessary arrangements for the 18th. Amendment to the National Constitution. For the clearer presentation of this matter we give herein the joint Resolution adopted by Congress in 1917, and also the honor roll of states ratifying the amendment.

**Joint Resolution (S. J. Res. 17) proposing an amendment to the Constitution of the United States.**

Resolved, by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America, in Congress assembled (two-thirds of each House concurring therein), That the following amendment to the Constitution be, and hereby is, proposed to the States, to become valid as a part of the Constitution when ratified by the legislature of the several states as provided by the Constitution:

Section 1. After one year from the ratification of this article, the manufacture, sale, or transportation of intoxicating liquors within, the importation into, or the exportation thereof from the United States and all territory subject to the jurisdiction thereof for beverage purposes is hereby prohibited.

Section 2. The Congress and the several states shall have concurrent power to enforce this article by appropriate legislation.

Section 3. This article shall be inoperative unless it shall have been ratified as an amendment to the Constitution by the legislatures of the several states, as provided in the Constitution, within seven years from the date of the submission hereof to the States by the Congress."

**Honor Roll of States**

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|-----------------------------------|------------------------------------|
| 1. Mississippi, Jan. 8, 1918.     | 24. Arkansas, Jan. 14, 1919.       |
| 2. Virginia, Jan. 11, 1918.       | 25. Oklahoma, Jan. 14, 1919.       |
| 3. Kentucky, Jan. 14, 1918.       | 26. Indiana, Jan. 14, 1919.        |
| 4. South Carolina, Jan. 23, 1918. | 27. Illinois, Jan. 14, 1919.       |
| 5. North Dakota, Jan. 25, 1918.   | 28. North Carolina, Jan. 14, 1919. |
| 6. Maryland, Feb. 13, 1918.       | 29. Kansas, Jan. 14, 1919.         |
| 7. Montana, Feb. 19, 1918.        | 30. Alabama, Jan. 14, 1919.        |
| 8. Texas, Mar. 4, 1918.           | 31. Iowa, Jan. 15, 1919.           |
| 9. Delaware, Mar. 19, 1918.       | 32. Oregon, Jan. 15, 1919.         |
| 10. South Dakota, Mar. 20, 1918.  | 33. New Hampshire, Jan. 15, 1919.  |
| 11. Massachusetts, April 2, 1918. | 34. Utah, Jan. 15, 1919.           |
| 12. Arizona, May 24, 1918.        | 35. Missouri, Jan. 16, 1919.       |
| 13. Georgia, June 25, 1918.       | 36. Nebraska, Jan. 16, 1919.       |
| 14. Louisiana, Aug. 8, 1918.      | 37. Maine, Jan. 16, 1919.          |
| 15. Florida, Nov. 27, 1918.       | 38. Minnesota, Jan. 16, 1919.      |
| 16. Ohio, Jan. 9, 1919.           | 39. Wyoming.                       |
| 17. Michigan, Jan. 2, 1919.       | 40. Wisconsin, Jan. 17, 1919.      |
| 18. Colorado, Jan. 8, 1919.       | 41. Nevada, Jan. 21, 1919.         |
| 19. Tennessee, Jan. 9, 1919.      | 42. New Mexico, Jan. 23, 1919.     |
| 20. Idaho, Jan. 10, 1919.         | 43. Vermont, Jan. 21, 1919.        |
| 21. West Virginia, Jan. 10, 1919. | 44. New York, Jan. 23, 1919.       |
| 22. Washington, Jan. 13, 1919.    | 45. Pennsylvania, Feb. 25, 1919.   |
| 23. California, Jan. 13, 1919.    |                                    |

Each House in Congress gave the necessary two-thirds vote in passing the amendment, and 45 states within 1 year, 1 month and 17 days



ratified the amendment. The necessary three-fourths of the states, (36) ratified within 1 year and 8 days.

Not long afterwards New Jersey ratified, but Rhode Island and Connecticut never did. Thus we see that 10 more than the necessary three-fourths, ratified the amendment which became a part of our Constitution, January 16, 1919.

Subsequently the Supreme Court of the U. S., was called upon to pass upon the legality of the amendment and their decision was unanimous in its favor.

This in brief is the story of Constitutional Prohibition in the U. S. The enforcement of the law is quite another matter.

Each State in the Union in under moral and legal obligations to assist in enforcing law, but some states, New York and New Jersey for example, have resolved to nullify the law, while some others are not giving the amendment the support it deserves. The Federal Government has done much to enforce the law, but the political parties in power, being part wet and part dry, have never entered heartily into the work of enforcement. The Administration has been too lukewarm, and many of the agents employed have been wet in their sympathies. Yet in the face of these facts, and also the fact that many temperance people have been sleeping on the whole matter, the enforcement of the law has been made more difficult. The law, however, has been enforced as well as other laws in the criminal calendar.

The cry has been made by the Wets, "the law is not being enforced, therefore it should be repealed." The law against murder and theft does not stop killing and stealing, but these men do not say that these laws should be repealed.

As soon as we get an Administration really in sympathy with the law, and agents appointed who are honest and in favor of enforcement, we will soon see the illicit distillery, the brewery and the bootleggers put out of business.

The liquor traffic must be put down at all costs. Business, Morals, Education, Religion, and Progress in Civilization, as well as a majority of the people demand it. We have taken hold of the handles of the plow and we do not dare to turn back. The liquor traffic, the greatest criminal on earth, is now fighting its Waterloo; the battle has just begun; the fight will be long but decisive. Let the Church arise in its might against its greatest enemy. Let every loyal citizen be true to his country and its laws, and law will triumph and seal the doom of the liquor traffic.

R. W. CHESNUT.

For the Committee.

It was voted that Mr. A. C. Fullerton take the place of Wm. Hawthorne on the Home Board, and that Mr. H. A. Dickey take the place of John Stewart on the Foreign Mission Board.

The rule requiring adjournment at 12 M. was suspended and adjournment was taken at this point.

Same place, May 17, 1928, 2 P. M.

Synod re-convened and was constituted with prayer by the Moderator. The roll was called. The Minutes of the morning session were read and approved.

The Moderator announced the Standing Committees as follows:

### STANDING COMMITTEES

Devotional Exercises—Rev. R. C. Montgomery and Rev. Thomas Whyte  
 Presbyterial Reports—Rev. L. A. Benson, Rev. John Parks, Mr. Hugh  
 A. Dickey.

Temperance—Rev. Albert E. Gregg, Rev. Paul W. Duncan.

Sabbath Observance—Rev. R. W. Chesnut Rev, Paul W. Duncan.

Discipline—Rev. Albert E. Gregg, Rev. W. R. McChesney.

Auditing Committee—S. A. Duncan, D. M. Reid, F. A. Jurkat

Presbyterial Records—

Western Presbytery: Rev. John Parks, Rev. A. E. Gregg.

Philadelphia Presbytery: Rev. Paul W. Duncan, Dr. McChesney.

Pittsburgh Presbytery: Rev. R. C. Montgomery, Rev. Thos. Whyte.

Ohio Presbytery: Rev. L. A. Benson, Rev. R. W. Chesnut

Nominating Committee—Rev. R. W. Chesnut, Rev. A. E. Gregg, Rev  
 F. A. Jurkat, Rev. L. A. Benson.

Committee on Theological Seminary: Rev. L. A. Benson, Rev. R. W.  
 Stewart

Signs of the Times—Rev. John Parks, Rev. F. A. Jurkat.

### REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON DISCIPLINE

Your Committee on Discipline reports that no papers have come in-  
 to our hands. "Pray for the peace of Jerusalem. They shall prosper that  
 love thee; peace within thy walls; for the sake of my friends and breth-  
 ren, I will say peace be unto thee."

Respectfully submitted,

The Secretary of the Board of Trustees of Theological Sem-  
 inary and Lamb Fund reported. The report was received and  
 referred to the Auditing Committee.

COMMITTEE ON DISCIPLINE.

### REPORT OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY.

523 South Forty-second Street,  
 Philadelphia, Pa., May 14th., 1928,

To the Moderator of General Synod of the Reformed Presbyterian  
 Church in North America.

Reverend Sir:

Enclosing herewith to General Synod of the Reformed Presbyter-  
 ian Church in North America the report of the Secretary of the Board  
 of Trustees of the Theological Seminary of General Synod of the Re-  
 formed Presbyterian Church in North America.

A few months after the adjournment of General Synod in 1927 the  
 Board of Trustees met with a great loss in the death of Mr. Alexander  
 Colville, who had served this Board faithfully, uprightly and consci-  
 entiously for many years, as a member and as its secretary.

May I also state that Mr. Colville served as a member of the  
 General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, from the City  
 of Philadelphia for many years with the same earnestness of service as  
 he performed service as a member of the Board of the Theological  
 Seminary. At the time of his death Mr. Colville was the oldest member  
 of the General Assembly.

But it was God's will to call Mr. Colville to that Higher General

Assembly where Jesus Christ is the Almighty Ruler of Heaven and Earth and to whose power we humbly bow.

The Board deeply feels the loss of Mr. Colville, his fund of knowledge and his fatherly advice are missed at our meetings.

Shortly after the death of Mr. Colville we learned that Mr. W. J. Imbrie, Treasurer of the Board was not in very good health and convalescing in a hospital. We were indeed exceedingly sorry to know of his illness and at our meetings Mr. Imbrie was remembered in prayer.

Mr. Imbrie, due to his illness, offered his resignation as Treasurer of the Board. It was with deep reluctance that the same was accepted by the Board and it is the earnest prayer of every member that Jesus Christ, the Great Physician, will restore him to his usual health and strength, so that his life shall be spared for many years of service to the Church he has served faithfully.

The death of Mr. Colville and the resignation of Mr. Imbrie resulted in the reorganization of the Board.

At a special meeting held December 9th., 1927, Mr. Benjamin Blair, an elder of the Third Church in Philadelphia was duly elected Treasurer to succeed Mr. Imbrie; and Alexander B. MacAilister a member of the Seventh Church in Philadelphia was duly elected secretary.

Mr. William G. Savage retained the Presidency in which office he has presided faithfully for a number of years.

Mr. Blair and the secretary feel keenly the responsibility placed upon them. They have endeavored to do their best, under conditions existing. It is very hard to determine which funds belong to the Theological Seminary or the Lamb Fund without the helpful assistance of Mr. Imbrie and the late Mr. Colville.

The secretary has visited and examined premises No. 556-58-60-62-64 North Judson Street; 2309-27-2931 Pennsylvania Avenue and 548 North 23rd. Street, Philadelphia.

The above premises are in very bad conditions and need repairs, papering and painting inside and outside. The houses are hardly ten-antable, and the rents we receive are the maximum rents and a very poor investment.

The house 2309 Pennsylvania Avenue has not been rented since I became secretary, by reason of its bad condition. I have had an expert on the value of real estate visit the premises and make an appraisal, without any expense to the Board. His appraisal of the premises was low \$70,000.00, high \$75,000.00. An offer of \$65,000.00 has been given to me from a reliable source.

The matter of selling, entirely depends upon the interpretation of the will of Francis Lamb, deceased, and the consent of the heirs of the decedent. It would require a decree of the Orphans' Court of the City and County of Philadelphia before a sale could be completed. If it is possible to sell these premises the Board would be able to invest the proceeds of the sale in first class mortgages or any other legal securities.

The following are the monthly rentals:

2309 Pennsylvania Avenue	— vacant
2327 Pennsylvania Avenue	— \$30.00
2329 Pennsylvania Avenue	— 30.00
2331 Pennsylvania Avenue	— 30.00
556 North Judson Street	— 20.00
558 North Judson Street	— 20.00
560 North Judson Street	— 18.00
562 North Judson Street	— 18.00
564 North Judson Street	— 17.00

548 North 23rd. Street — 25.00  
 The following taxes are to be paid for 1928:—  
 2309 Pennsylvania Avenue — 256.50  
 2327 Pennsylvania Avenue — 213.75  
 2329 Pennsylvania Avenue — 213.75  
 2331 Pennsylvania Avenue — 213.75  
 556 North Judson Street — 99.75  
 558 North Judson Street — 99.75  
 560 North Judson Street — 99.75  
 562 North Judson Street — 99.75  
 564 North Judson Street — 91.20  
 548 North 23rd. Street — 99.75

The following leases were duly assigned to the Board:  
 2309 Pennsylvania Avenue — vacant  
 2327 Pennsylvania Avenue — September 9, 1927.  
 2329 Pennsylvania Avenue — December 22, 1926.  
 2331 Pennsylvania Avenue — November 2, 1927.  
 556 North Judson Street — August 4, 1922.  
 558 North Judson Street — March 15, 1910.  
 560 North Judson Street — December 3, 1921.  
 562 North Judson Street — June 23, 1926.  
 564 North Judson Street — August 17, 1927. ?  
 548 North 23rd. Street — October 18, 1926.

The following mortgage securities were received by the Board from the Estate of Alexander Colville, deceased:—

THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY FUND:  
 M. McClain — 2312 Wallace Street \$1,800.00  
 I. Domersky — 252 N. 22nd. Street 3,000.00  
 F. F. Falvey — 2610 Swain Street 2,500.00  
 E. Zeidelman — 2345-47 Nassau Street 2,000.00  
 J. Koladzieg — 2211 Wallace Street 3,000.00  
 LAMB FUND:  
 John Dobson — 4827 Leithgow Street 500.00  
 M. A. Tait (Noble) — 252 Markoe Street 4,500.00  
 Nathan Miller — 2346 No. 31st. Street 1,500.00  
 Henry Breveda — 812 No. Judson Street 1,500.00

The following mortgage securities are not in the possession of the Board:

THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY FUND:  
 A. S. Thompson — 254 Markoe Street — therefore principal sum unknown  
 F. S. Stevenson — 856 Ringgold St. — therefore principal sum unknown  
 LAMB FUND:  
 M. Weiss — 2242 Callowhill Street — therefore principal sum unknown.

The following securities as set forth in the minutes of General Synod 1927 are not in the possession of the Board:

THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY FUND:  
 21 Pittsburgh, Cincinnati, Chicago St. Louis R. R. Bonds.  
 LAMB FUND:  
 Five shares Eighth National Bank Philadelphia.  
 One Pittsburgh, Allegheny and Manchester Traction Bond.  
 Second Libery Bond, \$1,000.00.  
 Four Monongehela Light and Power Bonds.  
 Note of Gavin Reilly, \$200.00.

As secretary of the Board I feel it is my duty to place before the members of General Synod the responsibility which is existing and which will exist upon the Board of Trustees of the Theological Seminary.

Respectfully,  
ALEX. B. MacALLISTER, Secretary.  
523 South Forty-second Street,  
Philadelphia, Penna., May 12 1928.

To the General Synod of the Reformed Presbyterian Church in North America:

The Secretary of the Board of Trustees of the Theological Seminary and Lamb Fund of the General Synod of the Reformed Presbyterian Church in North America reports as follows:—

Dr.

RENTS RECEIVED

December 1, 1927 from George J. Hines -----	\$133.00
January 1, 1928 from Samuel Cathers -----	283.00
February 1, 1928 from Samuel Cathers -----	208.00
March 1, 1928 from Samuel Cathers -----	208.00
April 1, 1928 from Samuel Cathers -----	208.00
May 5, 1928 from Samuel Cathers -----	193.00

\$1,233.00

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December 1, 1927 Commission — George J. Hines	\$ 6.65
December 1, 1927 Plumbing and repairs to stove	8.60
January 1, 1928 Coccission — Samuel Cathers ----	14.15
January 1, 1928 M. H. Meikljohn, plumb, repairs	37.28
February 1, 1928 Commission — Samuel Cathers	10.40
March 1, 1928 Commission — Samuel Cathers ----	10.40
April 1, 1928 Commission — Samuel Cathers ----	10.40
May 5, 1928 Commission — Samuel Cathers ----	9.65
March 8, 1928 Dr. W. R. McChesney — Salary for second semester Theological Sem- inary -----	500.00

\$607.53

\$625.47

MORTGAGE INTEREST RECEIVED

November 27, 1927 Six months interest Premises No. 4827 Leithgow Street	\$ 15.00
February 28, 1928 Six months interest Premises No. 2312 Wallace Street ----	54.00
March 3, 1928 Six months interest Premises No. 856 N. Ringgold Street	25.00
March 27, 1928 Six months interest Premises No. 254 Farragut Terrace --	135.00
April 7, 1928 Six months interest Premises No. 2346 No. 31st. Street ----	45.00

\$274.00

Amount now held by Secretary ----- \$899.47

I would most respectfully state the taxes for No. 2309 - 27 - 29 - 31 Pennsylvania Avenue and Nos. 560-56-64-58-62 No. Judson Street and No. 548 No. 23rd. Street are not paid for the year 1928, and bills for

plumbing and roof repairs totalling \$441.25 still outstanding and not paid. These two bills will be paid within the next week.

Respectfully submitted,

ALEX. B. MacALLISTER, Secretary.

Audited and found correct.  
May 18, 1928.

S. A. DUNCAN.  
F. A. JURKAT.  
D. M. REID.  
Committee.

The report of W. J. Imbrie, Treasurer of Theological Seminary and Lamb Fund was submitted. The report was received and referred to the Auditing Committee.

**REPORT OF THE TREASURER OF THE THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY FUND OF THE REFORMED PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH, GENERAL SYNOD.**

RECEIPTS

1927.			
Aug. 25.	Dividend of Pittsburgh ,Cincinnati, St. Louis, R. R. Bonds Dividend -----		\$367.50
Aug. 29.	Mortgage Interest of Mary E. McClane, 2312 Wallace Street -----		54.00
Aug. 29.	Mortgage Interest of E. Zeidelman, 2345-47 Nau-sau -----		60.00
Aug. 29.	Mortgage Interest Kolodzieg, 2211 Walalce Street -----		90.00
Aug. 31.	F. R. Stevenson, 856 Ringold St., Mortgage Inter-est -----		25.00
Oct. 31.	Mortgage Interest of I. Domersky, 532 N. 22d. St. -----		90.00
Oct. 31.	Mortgage Interest of A. S. Thompson, 254 Markoe Street -----		135.00
Oct. 31.	Mortgage Interest of J. J. Falvey, 2610 Swain St. -----		75.00
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			\$896.50
	Transferred from Lamb Fund by order of Synod---		125.76
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			\$1022.21

CREDITS

1927.			
Oct.	Alex. Colville, Jr. Commission Interest on Mort-gages -----		\$ 22.21
1928.			
Jan. 9.	Professof W. R. McChesney on Salary -----		500.00
Jan. 9.	Professor F. A. Jurkat -----		500.00
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			\$1022.21

Respectfully submitted,

Audited and found correct.  
May 18, 1928.

S. A. DUNCAN.  
F. A. JURKAT.  
D. M. REID.  
May, 1928.  
W. J. IMBRIE, Treasurer.

**REPORT OF THE TREASURER OF THE LAMB FUND OF THE  
THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY OF THE REFORMED PRES-  
BYTERIAN CHURCH, GENERAL SYNOD.**

RECEIPTS

1927.		Balance, May 17, 1927 -----	\$1719.38
June	3.	Received from Rev. H. C. White on account	
		Balance in full -----	650.00
July	2.	Eighth National Bank, Philadelphia, Dividend---	75.00
July	2.	Liberty Loan -----	21.25
July	2.	Monongahela Light & Power Co. Dividend -----	100.00
Aug.	29.	M. A. Tait, 252 Markoc St., Mortgage Interest---	135.00
Aug.	29.	G. Mina, 811 N. Judson St., Mortgage Interest---	45.00
Aug.	29.	J. Dobson, 4827 Leithgow St., Mortgage Interest	15.00
Aug.	29.	Estate of Alex. Colville, Rents -----	682.00
Oct.	31.	Alex. Colville, Jr., Rents -----	356.00
Oct.	31.	M. Weiss, 2242 Callowhill St., Mortgage Interest	74.25
Oct.	31.	N. Miller, 2346 N. 31st St., Mortgage Interest ---	45.00
1928.			
Jan.	5.	Eighth National Bank, Philadelphia, Dividend ----	75.00
Jan.	5.	Eighth National Bank, Philadelphia, Dividend ----	75.00
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			\$4067.88

LAMB FUND CREDITS

1927.			
July	7.	Administration Fund to Rev. S. A. Benson -----	\$125.00
July	11.	Cedarville Colelge for year 1926 & 1927, omitted in last year's report -----	500.00
July	11.	Cedarville College for Seminary rents for year 1926 & 1927, omitted in last year's report-----	130.00
Sept.	2.	A. Colville, Jr., Commoission Collecting interest on mortgages -----	19.95
Sept.	2.	Repairs on Buildings -----	380.71
Sept.	2.	Water Rents for 1927, Taxes -----	75.00
Sept.	2.	Alex. Colville, Jr., Commission Collecting Rents	34.10
Sept.	28.	Cedarville College -----	500.00
Sept.	28.	Cedarville College for rent for Seminary -----	130.00
Oct.	31.	For Repairs and Commission Collecting Rents---	18.80
Nov.	14.	Farmers' National Bank, Box Rent -----	3.00
		Transferred to Theological Seminary Fund by order of General Synod, -----	125.71
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			\$2042.27
		Balance, Page 2 -----	2025.61
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			\$4067.88
		Balance remaining after deducting a deficit for the Theological Seminary account by ored of General Synod -----	\$2025.61
Mar.	29.	Received from Monongehela Ligt and Power Bonds -----	100.00
		Received from Pittsburgh, Alleghany, Manches- ter R. R. Bonds, 2 coupon -----	50.00
		Received from Pittsburgh, Cincinnati, Chicago & St. Louis R. R. Bonds -----	367.50

	Liberty Bond -----	21.25
	Total -----	\$2564.36
Mar. 21.	Forwarded to Mr. Benjamin Blair ----	\$1800.00
Apr. 12.	Forwarded to Mr. Benjamin Blair ----	517.50
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		\$2317.50
	Balance on hand -----	\$246.86

Respectfully submitted,

W. J. IMBRIE.  
May 16, 1928.

Audited and found correct.  
May 18, 1928.

S. A. DUNCAN.  
F. A. JURKAT.  
D. M. REID.  
Committee.

The Treasurer of the Board of Trustees of Theological Seminary and Lamb Fund reported. The report was received and referred to the Auditing Committee.

**REPORT OF THE TREASURER OF THE THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY FUND OF THE REFORMED PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH, GENERAL SYNOD.**

May 11, 1928.

1928.	Dr.	
Mar. 21.	Received from W. J. Imbrie, part of the money received by him prior to his resignation-----	\$1800.00
Apr. 14.	Check from W. J. Imbrie, Dividends Coupons Pittsburgh, Cincinnati, Chicago and St. Louis R. R. -----	367.50
	Total -----	<hr/>
		\$2167.50
April 2, 1928.	Cr.	
	To Prof. F. A. Jurkat, Salary Second Semester, 1927—1928 -----	\$500.00
	Total -----	<hr/>
		\$500.00
	Balance May 11, 1928 -----	\$1667.50

Respectfully submitted,

BENJAMIN BLAIR, Treasurer

May 12, 1928. Note: Part of the item of \$1800.00 deposited in the Theological Seminary Fund belongs in the Lamb Fund and will be transferred to that account when I learn the amount. These reports will be supplemented by Mr. A. B. McAllister, Secretary of the Board of Trustees, in that he has received rents from the properties of the Lamb Estate, and has paid \$500.00 to Rev. W. R. McChesney, for Salary.

Respectfully submitted,

BENJAMIN BLAIR.

Audited and found correct.

S. A. DUNCAN.  
F. A. JURKAT.  
D. M. REID.  
Committee.



**REPORT OF THE TREASURER OF THE LAMB FUND OF THE  
THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY OF THE REFORMED PRES-  
BYTERIAN CHURCH, GENERAL SYNOD.**

May 11, 1928.

1928.	Dr.		
Apr. 14.	Received from W. J. Imbrie, check for Monongehela Light & Power Bond, 4 coupons -----		\$100.00
	Pittsburgh, Allegheny and Manchester Traction Co. -----		50.00
	Total -----		\$150.00
	Expenditures none.		
May 11, 1928.	Balance -----		\$150.00

Respectfully submitted,

BENJAMIN BLAIR, Treasurer

Audited and found correct.

S. A. DUNCAN.

F. A. JURKAT.

D. M. REID.

Committee.

The Rev. J. M. Lyerly, pastor of the M. E. Church of Coulterville, Ill, being present, was recognized and honored with the courtesies of the floor.

It was voted that the Board of Trustees of Theological Seminary and Lamb Fund be requested to take such steps as are necessary to locate missing securities of these funds.

It was voted that the Board of Trustees of Theological Seminary and Lamb Fund have full indorsement of General Synod if in their judgment it be wise to transfer these properties into other securities.

It was voted that the Clerk be instructed to write the Secretary of the Board of Trustees of Theological Seminary and Lamb Fund and inform him of the above action.

The Committee on Sabbath Observance reported. The report was approved and ordered published in the Minutes.

**SABBATH OBSERVANCE**

To the General Synod of the Reformed Presbyterian Church in North America. The Committee on Sabbath Observance would respectfully offer the following report:

The Sabbath was made for man, and not man for the Sabbath. This was the object of its institution. There are two great reasons why man needs a Sabbath. First for physical rest, and second for religious worship. We do well to take notice of it; to observe it by proper thought and reverence.

During the Old Testament dispensation the seventh day of the week, or one seventh of time was to be kept by man for physical rest and spiritual service. The seventh day was to be kept holy unto the Lord to commemorate the Lord's rest from the work of creation. Under the New Testament dispensation the christian order is to keep or

observe the first day of the week in commemoration of the fact that on that day Jesus Christ arose from the dead and entered upon his rest from his earthly work of redemption. The first day of the week as spoken of in scripture is the Lord's day. See Revelation 1:10; Acts 20:7; 1 Cor. 16:12.

The word Sabbath means rest, and stands for a cessation from worldly service, and pleasures, on the one hand, and spiritual service on the other. The first day of the week is commonly called Sunday. The days of the week are all commonly called by names that indicate their origin. Sunday, the day on which the heathen worshiped the sun. Monday, Moon day, etc.

Our Church has, with some others of the Reformation Churches, adhered to the Scriptural name instead of the heathen name. Since the Christian Sabbath is a holy day, how should it be observed? How should it be sanctified? "The Sabbath is to be sanctified by a holy resting all that day, even from such worldly employment and recreations as are lawful on other days; and in spending the whole time in the public and private exercises of God's worship, except so much as is to be taken up in the works of necessity and mercy."

The moral law in no part has ever been abrogated, and the fourth commandment being a part of that law is still in force and binding on all, especially on God's people. We are to keep it holy, as it is the time appointed in his word.

There are also things which we are forbidden to do; namely, "the omission or careless performance of the duties required, or profaning the day by idleness, or doing that which is in itself sinful, or by unnecessary thoughts, words or works, about our worldly employment or recreations."

The moral law was given not for a few, but for all Israel as a nation. Under the New Testament dispensation, when the law and the gospel is for all and to be preached to all, the fourth commandment is no doubt for all nations. All nations need a Sabbath for physical rest and spiritual service, but no nation at present observes the Christian Sabbath as it should be observed.

We often hear of our American Sabbath; but is our American Sabbath anything more than an American Sunday?

The first day of the week is given over to pleasure seeking and self gratification; rather than to religious worship. Church members are now among those who desecrate the Lord's day, and many have rejected the truth delivered to them in the gospel. How can we expect the world to reverence the Lord's day, when the professed followers of the Lord disregard His holy day?

Will the church arise to its duty and take its stand against the rising tide of Sabbath desecration, or will it sit quiet and see this scriptural and time honored institution destroyed?

Greater efforts should be put forth to maintain the integrity of all our Christian institutions. The Church cannot long endure without a Sabbath; and without a militant church, national decay will be the result. Most of the states have laws of more or less value regarding the Christian Sabbath; but this without a strong moral backing from the churches is scarcely noticed where the vast multitudes are bent on pleasure and worldly gain.

What then should be the attitude of our General Synod on this very important matter? We have always taken an advanced position in regard to the sanctification of the Lord's day, and in these days when all Christian institutions are being put to the test, there should be no weakening in our stand for a well observed day of rest.

The Christian Sabbath is the workman's Independence Day. He needs it and should have it, and if he does not keep it as he should, he is responsible to God for his acts. Let us then as a church maintain our time honored position on the subject of Sabbath Observance, and that we may do so, let our pastors preach often on the subject, that those who hear may be stirred up to a solemn sense of their responsibility to God and their fellow men.

REV. R. W. CHESNUT, for the Committee.

REV. THOS. WHYTE.

REV. F. A. JURKAT.

The report of the Treasurer of the Home Mission Board was presented. It was received and referred to the Auditing Committee.

**1928 REPORT OF THE TREASURER OF THE HOME MISSION BOARD OF THE REFORMED PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH, GENERAL SYNOD.**

RECEIPTS

1927.			
May 16.	Sharon Associate Presbyterian Congregation ----	\$ 35.00	
May 16.	Rosa Elder -----	3.00	
May 19.	Darlington White Church -----	30.00	
May 19.	Hon. John G. Marshall -----	5.00	
May 20.	Duanesburgh Congregation -----	22.00	
May 21.	Rev. Robert Stewart, amount returned from Mission -----	35.50	
May 27.	Miss Susan Cunningham for Mission -----	50.00	
July 7.	Republican City Young People's Bible Class -----	14.03	
July 7.	Republican City Congregation -----	16.00	
July 28.	Frank Harbison -----	50.00	
Aug. 11.	Coulterville Congregation -----	16.96	
Aug. 11.	Sparta Bethel Congregation -----	82.50	
Aug. 30.	First Reformed Presbyterian Congregation Pittsburgh -----	100.00	
Aug. 30.	Sparta Bethel W. M. Society -----	7.00	
Nov. 7.	Seventh R. P. Congregation, Philadelphia -----	32.08	
Nov. 8.	Republican City -----	12.00	
Nov. 8.	Darlington W. M. Society -----	100.00	
Nov. 8.	Coulterville Congregation -----	13.85	
Nov. 10.	Miss Matilda McCollum -----	75.00	
Dec. 1.	First R. P. Church, Pittsburgh -----	235.00	
Dec. 9.	Republican City Congregation -----	9.00	
Dec. 16.	Duanesburgh Thank Offering, Rev. R. W. Chesnut -----	13.75	
1928.			
Jan. 13.	Mary Smiley, Sparta Congregation -----	2.65	
Feb. 10.	Coulterville Congregation -----	21.62	
Feb. 28.	Sparta Congregation -----	60.00	
Mar. 28.	R. D. Dawson, White Church -----	21.00	
Apr. 9.	Professor F. A. Jurkat -----	50.00	
Apr. 12.	Fairview R. P. Missionary Society -----	10.00	
Apr. 18.	Seventh R. P. Congregation, Philadelphia Sabbath School -----	35.00	
Apr. 18.	Republican City Congregation -----	28.25	
Apr. 18.	Rev. W. R. McChesney, D. D. -----	25.00	
Apr. 18.	Rev. Alexander Savage, D. D. -----	14.00	

Mar.		First Reformed Presbyterian Congregation, Pitts-	
		burgh -----	111.95
May	1.	Darlington White Church, S. School -----	21.05
May	1.	Republican City Congregation -----	16.00
May	2.	Coulterville Congregation -----	25.26
May	2.	Sparta Congregation -----	45.00
May	2.	Sparta W. M. Society -----	13.50
May	3.	Fifth R. P. Congregation, Philadelphia -----	225.00
May	3.	Darlington Congregation -----	5.00
May	7.	Republican City, W. M. Society -----	5.60
May	7.	Darlington, W. M. Society -----	65.00
May	7.	Los Angeles, W. M. Society -----	24.00
May	7.	Los Angeles Congregation -----	40.00
May	7.	Seventh R. P. Congregation, Philadelphia -----	38.33
May	11.	Republican City Congregation -----	8.00
May	11.	Third R. P. Congregation, Philadelphia -----	100.00
INCOME FROM INVESTMENTS AND BEQUESTS			

1927.			
June	28.	Liberty Bond -----	\$ 10.63
July	7.	Duquesne Bonds, paid off -----	2100.00
July	7.	Duquesne Bonds Interest -----	60.00
July	15.	Cincinnati, Newport & Covington Light & Traction	480.00
Aug.	2.	Transferred form Robert Youngs Bequest -----	800.00
Aug.	25.	Miss Kate E. Imbrie Contribution, Interest -----	75.00
Sept.	1.	Dime Savings & Loan & People's Building & Loan, Thomas Smith Bequest -----	75.00
Oct.	29.	People's Building & Loan -----	25.00
Nov.	21.	Board of Church Extension, Interest James Adams Bequest Irving Bank & Trust Co., New York -----	44.00
Dec.	1.	John T. Reeves, Interest Samuel Price Bequest --	18.75
Dec.	30.	First Liberty Loan -----	10.62
Dec.	30.	Gatineau Power Company Bond, Dividend -----	50.00

Receipts -----	\$5718.33
Balance from Last Year -----	242.14

Total Receipts & Balance ----- \$5960.47

HOME MISSION DISBURSEMENTS

1927.			
July	13.	Purchased Two Gatineau Bonds -----	\$2009.25
July	20.	Stove for Mission Dormitory -----	47.60
July	20.	Insurance for Dormitory -----	39.40
July	20.	Miss Calla Turner, two months pay -----	130.00
Aug.	15.	Milton C. Johnson, for book of receipts -----	12.25
Aug.	22.	Ed. Turner, for Salary -----	65.00
Aug.	22.	Miss Evelyne Turner, one month -----	65.00
Aug.	22.	Mrs. Agnes Stewart -----	65.00
Sept.	8.	Mrs. Agnes Stewart -----	65.00
Sept.	8.	Mrs. Agnes Stewart, extra for two months -----	30.00
		Forwarded by S. A. Duncan, to Mission -----	75.00
Nov.	23.	Ed. Turner, one month's pay -----	65.00
Nov.	23.	Miss Howell, one month's pay -----	55.00
Nov.	23.	Mrs. Agnes Stewart, pay with extra -----	80.00
Dec.	9.	Philadelphia Presbytery, Part Appropriation ----	50.00
Dec.	20.	Miss Martha Ramsey -----	100.00
Dec.	22.	Western Presbytery, Part Appropriation -----	200.00
Dec.	28.	Ed. Turner, one month's pay -----	65.00

Dec. 28.	Miss Maud Howell, one month's pay -----	65.00
Dec. 28.	Mrs. Agnes Stewart, one month with extra -----	80.00
1928.		
Jan. 19.	Philadelphia Presbytery on Appropriation -----	50.00
Jan. 26.	Mr. Ed. Turner, one month's pay to Jan. 11-----	65.00
Jan. 26.	Miss Maud Howell, one month's pay -----	65.00
Jan. 26.	Mrs. Agnes Stewart with extar -----	80.00
Feb. 17.	Mr. E. Turner, one month's pay -----	65.00
Feb. 17.	Miss Maud Howell, one month's pay -----	65.00
Feb. 17.	Mrs. Agnes Stewart with extra -----	80.00
Mar. 16.	Western Presgytery on Appropriation -----	200.00
Mar. 22.	Mr. Ed. Turner, two months' pay -----	130.00
Mar. 22.	Miss Calla Turner, two months' pay -----	130.00
Mar. 22.	Mrs. Agnes Stewart with extra -----	80.00
Apr. 9.	Mrs. Agnes Stewart with extra -----	80.00
Apr. 17.	Philadelphia Presbytery Appropriation -----	100.00
Apr. 18.	Rev. L. A. Benson, Administration -----	100.00
Apr. 19.	W. J. Imbrie, Expense allowed by Synod -----	12.00
Apr. 21.	Western Presbytery, Appropriation -----	100.00
May 1.	Pittsburgh Presbytery, Appropriation -----	300.00
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		\$5065.50

Balance for year ----- \$894.97

**INVESTED SECURITIES OF THE BOARD**

80 Shares Cincinnati, Newport & Covington Light & Traction	\$6000.00
7½ Shares People's Building & Loan Assn., Beaver Falls	1500.00
5 Shares Dime Savings & Loan Association, Beaver Falls	500.00
2 Bonds Gatineau Power Company -----	2009.00
Bank Certificate -----	8221.00

Respectfully submitted,

W. J. IMBRIE, Treasurer.  
May 16, 1928.

Audited and found correct.  
May 18, 1928.

S. A. DUNCAN.  
F. A. JURKAT.  
D. M. REID.  
Committee.

The Treasurer of the Sustentation Fund reported. Report was received and referred to the Auditing Committee.

**REPORT OF TREASURER OF SUSTENTATION FUND**

The Treasurer of the Sustentation Fund would report that he had received from the Chambers Wylie Memorial Church, Philadelphia, per Board of Deacons ----- \$49.68  
May, 1928.

Respectfully submitted,

W. J. IMBRIE, Trustee.

Audited and found correct.  
May 18, 1928.

F. A. JURKAT.  
S. A. DUNCAN.  
D. M. REID.  
Committee.

The Treasurer of the Board of Church Extension reported. The report was received and referred to the Auditing Committee.

**REPORT OF THE TREASURER OF THE BOARD OF CHURCH EXTENSION OF THE REFORMED PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH, GENERAL SYNOD.**

RECEIPTS

	Balance from last year -----	\$1289.30
June 3.	Home Protective Savings and Loan Association -----	20.83
July 2.	Pure Oil Company -----	12.50
July 2.	Champion Coated Paper Company -----	70.00
July 15.	Cincinnati, Newport and Covington Light & Traction, Common -----	15.00
July 15.	C. N. & C. Light & Traction, Preferred -----	22.50
July 25.	For Sale of Buelah Church Property -----	50.00
Sept. 15.	Liberty Loan -----	21.50
Oct. 15.	Liberty Loan -----	21.50
Oct. 29.	Board of Church Extension -----	117.00
Nov. 9.	American Exchange Trust Co., for James Adams estate for Home Missions -----	44.00
Dec. 1.	Home Protective Savings & Loan Association ----	25.00
1928.		
Apr. 16.	Champion Coated Paper Company -----	70.00
Apr. 16.	Pure Oil Company -----	15.00
	C. N. & C. Light and Traction -----	22.50
	C. N. & C. Light & Traction -----	15.00
	Pure Oil Company -----	12.50
	Liberty Loan -----	42.50
Jan. 1.	Slip C. N. & C. -----	37.50
Mar. 15.	Liberty Loan -----	21.25
Apr. 17.	Liberty Loan -----	21.25
May 5.	Los Angeles Mortgage Interest -----	46.00

Amount received including balance from last year \$2082.83

PAYMENTS

1927.		
July 5.	Rev. R. W. Chesnut for Printing Extra Copies of Minutes of General Synod -----	45.00
July 7.	L. A. Benson Administration Fee ----	150.00
Nov. 10.	Home Mission Board Interest of James Adams Bequest Irving Bank & Trust Co. -----	44.00

\$239.00

Balance ----- \$1843.83

Respectfully,

W. J. IMBRIE, Treasurer.  
May 17, 1928.

Audited and found correct.  
May 18, 1928.

S. A. DUNCAN.  
F. A. JURKAT.  
D. M. REID.  
Committee.

The resignation of Mr. Imbrie as Treasurer of various Boards of the church was presented. It was

Resolved, That General Synod hereby with deep regret accepts the resignation of Mr. Imbrie as Treasurer of various Boards of the Church, which he has served so long and so faithfully, and relieves him from further responsibility in connection with the properties of these Boards. The Synod, however, cannot do this without expressing to Mr. Imbrie its high appreciation of his faithfulness continued through many years, its gratitude for his careful, painstaking and very efficient services, and its sense of loss in missing his presence and fellowship in the Synod.

The resolution was unanimously adopted.

It was voted that Mr. S. A. Duncan be authorized to serve as temporary treasurer in these vacancies until they shall be officially filled.

The Committee on Lamb Fund reported. The report was approved.

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#### REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON THE LAMB FUND.

Your Committee would respectfully report that no applications for student aid have been made during the past Synodal year.

Respectfully submitted, Committee.

Upon resolution the Synod then adjourned. The Moderator called on Rev. R. W. Chesnut, Ph. D., to adjourn with prayer.

Same place, May 18th., 1928, 9 A. M.

The Synod was called to order and constituted with prayer by the Moderator, Rev. R. W. Stewart.

Rev. Albert E. Gregg led the devotional exercises. This hour was of special interest and inspiration.

The roll was called. The Minutes of last session were read and approved.

The Committee on Nominations reported. The report was received, adopted and the recommendation adopted.

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#### THE REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON NOMINATIONS

The Committee on Nominations would respectfully report that in all our nominations we have sought to conserve the best interests of all Boards and Committees of General Synod. In order to secure a practical working Board of Trustees of the Theological Seminary, we have adopted the following resolution:

RESOLVED: That we reconsider the appointments of the Board of Trustees of the Theological Seminary for the years 1929 and 1930, and that we offer as substitute names for those previously appointed the following:

Trustees of the Theological Seminary:

- 1929, Benjamin Blair, John Stewart, Samuel Cathers.
- 1930, James G. Brigham, John V. Carey, Samuel Sinclair.
- 1931 Hugh English, Samuel Black, Thos. Coulter.

Home Mission Board:

- 1929, Revs. Thomas Whyte, R. W. Stewart and Mr. Benjamin Blair
- 1930, Rev. Paul W. Duncan, S. L. Robb, Henley McIntosh, S. A. Duncan.

1931, A. C. Fullerton, Rev. S. M. Ramsey, Joseph Gilmour, Samuel Gregg.

Executive Committee:

Revs. Thomas Whyte, R. W. Stewart, and Messrs. S. A. Duncan and John G. Marshall.

Foreign Mission Board:

Revs John Parks, W. R. McChesney, R. W. Chesnut, R. C. Montgomery, L. A. Benson, Albert E. Gregg, F. A. Jurkat, and Messrs. D. M. Reid, and Hugh A. Dickey.

Executive Committee:

Revs. John Parks, W. R. McChesney, R. C. Montgomery, and Mr D. M. Reid.

Board of Church Extension:

Revs. Thomas Whyte, John Parks. Paul W. Duncan, R. C. Montgomery, Albert E. Gregg, Mr. D. M. Reid, and Hugh A. Dickey.

Committee on Credentials:

Revs. R. W. Stewart, L. A. Benson, and R. W. Chesnut.

Superintendents of the Theological Seminary:

Revs. Thomas Whyte, Albert E. Gregg, and L. A. Benson.

Committee on Securities and Investments:

S. A. Duncan, F. A. Jurkat, and D. M. Reid.

Committee on the Lamb Fund:

Revs. Albert E. Gregg, Thos. Whyte and L. A. Benson.

Board of Sustentation:

Revs. F. A. Jurkat, W. R. McChesney, Messrs. Alex. McAllister, A. Y. Reid, and Miss Matilda McCollum, W. H. Creswell, Wm. Conley, Walter Iliffe.

Board of Disabled Ministers' Fund:

Revs. L. A. Benson, R. W. Stewart, F. A. Jurkat, Treasurer, Paul W. Duncan, Mr. A. C. Fullerton, and Mr. D. M. Reid.

Committee on Evangelism:

Revs. R. W. Chesnut, Paul W. Duncan, L. A. Benson, John Parks.

Board of Education:

Revs. F. A. Jurkat, W. R. McChesney, and Mr. D. M. Reid

Delegate to the Alliance of Reformed Churches:

Rev. Thos. Whyte, Alternate, Rev. John Parks.

Fraternal Delegate to the A. P. Church:

Rev. W. R. McChesney, Alternate, Rev. F. A. Jurkat.

Fraternal Delegate to the Christian Reformed Church:

Rev. L. A. Benson, Alternate, Rev. John Parks.

Respectfully submitted,

R. W. CHESNUT,  
L. A. BENSON,  
A. E. GREGG.  
Committee.

The Delegate to the Alliance of Reformed Churches reported. The report was received and the recommendations adopted.



**REPORT OF THE DELEGATE TO THE ALLIANCE OF  
REFORMED CHURCHES HOLDING PRESBYTERIAN SYSTEM  
THROUGHOUT THE WORLD**

Your delegate to the Alliance of Reformed Churches holding the Presbyterian system would respectfully report that he attended the annual meeting of the Western section held in Lancaster, Penn., in February.

We recommend our continuance with the Alliance, and that the Treasurer of Synod's Administration Fund be instructed to pay our annual assessment.

THOMAS WHYTE.

The Committee on Evangelism reported. The report was approved and ordered published in the Minutes.

**EVANGELISM**

What is Evangelism? Evangelism does not mean merely evangelistic meetings, nor only preaching. To be effective, it must be more than proclamation of the gospel.

Mr. Buchman and Mr. Eddy have given ten suggestions for personal work:

1. Get a point of contact.
2. Diagnose the person's real difficulty.
3. Make the moral test.
4. Avoid argument.
5. Aim to conduct the interview yourself.
6. Adapt the truth to the hearer's needs.
7. Bring the person face to face with Christ.
8. Show the way out of the special difficulty.
9. Bring the person finally to the point of decision and action.
10. Start the person on the new life with simple, concrete and definite suggestions regarding daily Bible study, prayer, overcoming temptation, and service for others.

Our task is to do what we can to make God real in the thought and lives of the people and to help them to the practice of the presence of God in private and public life.

Evangelism needs time. This work cannot be done in odd moments of spare time. It is only as we deliberately and definitely make it a part of our plan for each day, setting aside time for this purpose, that we can be real evangelists. A missionary in China said, "I am making it a point every day to speak to somebody about his relation to Jesus." This should be our plan, too.

Before we can invite people to come to Jesus, we ourselves must know Him, and by our characters and service show that Jesus is worth knowing.

There will be marks in us that show we have been with Him, or otherwise our evangelism can never be efficient. Then the winning of friendship is also essential. Before we teach them, we must reach them. It is only as we learn to know men and love them that we can enter into their lives.

Efficient evangelism needs a purpose and a passion that will insure steady, persistent effort. The love of Christ must so constrain us that we shall be filled with a persistence, a patience, a longing, a desire that will make our evangelistic purpose invincible because it will be neither gainsaid or distracted.

Many of us are giving much and doing much, but because we are not yet giving our whole selves, our purposes fail.

Efficient evangelism needs our life blood. "God so loved that he gave. God gave what? That which cost us nothing?"

To come to people with life-giving power must be our ambition and effort. "I came that ye might have life."

It is when we get too busy hammering away on our own job so that we cannot talk with the architect about his plans for the building that we lose efficiency in Evangelism. We spend ourselves in working for God instead of seeking that God work in us and thru us, and so we fail to accomplish His work.

In closing shall we never forget this fact:

Christ is the message of Evangelism. "He's the Bright and morning Star, The Prince of Peace, The Lord of Glory. He's the Way, the Truth, the Life; He is the Word. He's the Chiefest of Ten Thousand, The One Altogether Lovely, He's our Saviour, our Redeemer. Praise the Lord."

Yes, let us preach Christ, and Him only. The best criticism that can be made upon the preacher is that he always preaches Jesus. Yes, Christ is the whole message of Evangelism. Jesus is the Gospel.

Respectfully submitted,

PAUL W. DUNCAN,  
JOHN PARKS,  
R. W. CHESNUT,  
L. A. BENSON.

The Superintendents of Theological Seminary reported, submitting with their report the reports of the Professors in the Seminary and of the Dean of the Seminary.

#### THE REPORT OF THE BOARD OF SUPERINTENDENTS OF THE REFORMED PRESBYTERIAN THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY.

To the General Synod of the Reformed Presbyterian Church Meeting in Coulterville, Illinois, May 16, 1928.

The Board met in Cedarville, Ohio, May 15, 1928. Examination papers were placed in the hands of the Board. Reports of the Dean and of the different Professors were submitted and are presented herewith to the Synod.

The Board still regrets to note that of the students in the Seminary none are looking forward to the work of the ministry in our own church. Only one student was advanced sufficiently in his studies as to require that he appear before the Board with a trial homily, and that student, Mr. Weimer, has been before the Board upon two former occasions. He was therefore excused.

The Superintendents ordered that Messrs. Weimer and Wones, who graduate this coming June from the College, be given Certificates of credit for the work completed and that they be commended for advanced standing in the Seminaries of their churches for the completion of their theological studies.

We offer the following recommendations:

1st. That the thanks of the General Synod, the Seminary and the Superintendents are hereby tendered to Rev. Mr. Ingmire, Pastor of the Methodist Episcopal Church, for his gratuitous services in teaching archeology and religious education in our Seminary.

2nd. That we confirm the appointment for the past year and accept the resignation of Rev. Prof. B. E. Robison.

3rd. That September 9th. be set apart as a day of prayer that God will send forth laborers into his vineyard, and that ministers present the claims of Christ upon young men from their pulpits.

4th. That the Trustees of the Theological Seminary be requested to pay to Cedarville College the sum of \$130.00 for rentals that they issue an order upon the treasurer of the Theological Seminary fund, Mr. Benjamin Blair, for the payment of the same.

5th. That the trustees of the Theological Seminary, according to a previous order, be requested to pay to the Treasurer of Cedarville College the sum of \$500.00, and that they issue an order upon the treasurer of the Board, Mr. Benjamin Blair, for the payment of the same.

6th. That the Trustees in the Theological Seminary be requested to pay to the professors in the Theological Seminary as follows: to-wit: To Prof. W. R. McChesney, D. D.—\$1000.00; to Prof F A Jurkat, L. L. D.—\$1000.00; in two annual installments; viz, one-half in November and the other half the first of February, and that they issue an order upon the Treasurer of the Board of Trustees of the Theological Seminary, Mr. Benjamin Blair, for the payment of the same.

7th. That the Trustees of the Theological Seminary be requested to pay to students for the Gospel Ministry, who are under the care of any of our Presbyteries, the amount of \$150.00 a year for student aid, and that they issue an order upon the Treasurer of the Lamb Fund for the payment of the same.

8th. That the Traveling expenses of the Board of Superintendents for last year, which were as follows: Rev. Thomas Whyte, \$31.25; Rev. D. H. Hammond, \$5.00; Rev. L. A. Benson, \$10.81. Also the expenses for this year, which are as follows: Rev. Thomas Whyte, \$31.75; Rev. L. A. Benson, \$16.25; be paid and that the Board of Trustees of the Theological Seminary be requested to issue an order upon the Treasurer of the Board for the payment of these amounts.

Praying for Divine guidance upon the Synod in all of its deliberations, we respectfully submit this report.

BOARD OF SUPERINTENDENTS,  
THOMAS WHYTE, Chairman.  
L. A. BENSON, Secretary.  
ALBERT GREGG.

#### REPORT OF THE DEAN OF THE THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY

To the Board of Superintendents of the Theological Seminary of the Reformed Presbyterian Church in North America to meet in Cedarville, Ohio, May 15, 1928, the Dean of the Seminary would report:

The session of the past year opened in Cedarville College, Main Hall, September 7, 1927 and closed May 15, 1928.

The opening address was delivered by the Reverend Mr. Evans, D. D., Pastor of the Westminster Memorial Presbyterian Church, Dayton, Ohio.

Three students were in attendance, viz: Myron McDonald, Plattsburg, of the Methodist Protestant Church; Calvin Weimer, Leetonia, Ohio, of the Presbyterian Church, U. S. A.; and Edward Wones, New Moorefield, Ohio, of the Methodist Episcopal Church. These young men came to our seminary unsought and unasked and only because they desire to study how to preach Christ, and having heard of our semin-

ary and its work, preferred ours to their own seminaries. All of them are pursuing courses in Cedarville College toward a degree. Mr. Wones on account of heavy work in college and sickness, discontinued his work in the seminary at the close of the first semester. Both he and Mr. Weimer will graduate from Cedarville College with the Degree of B. A. June 1, 1928. Mr. McDonald has signified his intention of returning to the seminary in September 1928. Also Messrs. Nathaniel Augustine, Covington, Ohio, of the Presbyterian Church, U. S. A., Stephen C. Brown, Adrian, Michigan, of the Methodist Protestant Church, Robert Copeland, Xenia, Ohio, of the Methodist Episcopal Church, W. N. Mantle, Xenia, Ohio, of the Methodist Episcopal Church, Orion Mickey, Derry, Pennsylvania, of the Presbyterian Church, U. S. A., and Clair McNeel, Altoona, Pennsylvania, of the Presbyterian Church, U. S. A., are all in correspondence with a desire to enter the seminary in September 1928.

We urge upon the pastors of our congregations to join us in prayers and efforts to interest the young men of our own church to come to our seminary and prepare for the gospel ministry of Christ. Soon our present pastors must in the natural course of events lay aside their work and on that account we should be praying the Lord of the harvest to thrust forth laborers into his harvest to continue the work of the church.

The students have been regular in attendance, commendable in deportment, and faithful in their studies.

The following professors taught during the session:

Rev. Wilbert R. McChesney, A. M., Ph. D., D. D., Dean and Professor of Systematic Theology and New Testament Language.

Rev. Frank Albert Jurkat, A. M., LL. D., Secretary of the Faculty, and Professor of Church History, Hebrew, and Old and New Testament Literature.

Rev. S. M. Ingmire, A. B., B. D., Professor of Archaeology and Religious Education.

Rev. B. E. Robison, B. D., Professor of Archaeology for the five years previous in June 1927 to accept the presidency of Lincoln Institute, Lincoln Ridge, Kentucky.

With gratitude to God for his goodness, we close our report.

Respectfully submitted,

W. R. McCHESNEY, Dean.

#### **REPORT OF THE PROFESSOR OF SYSTEMATIC THEOLOGY OF THE THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY OF THE REFORMED PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH, GENERAL SYNOD.**

The Professors of Systematic Theology would report to the Board of Superintendents of the Theological Seminary to meet in Cedarville, Ohio, May 15, 1928, as follows:

During the year three students pursued the course in Systematic Theology, namely: Messrs. Myron McDonald, Calvin Weimer, and Edward Wones. On account of sickness and heavy work in the college, Mr. Wones discontinued the study at the close of the first semester.

The following subjects were taught: Idea, Method, and Material of Theology; the Existence of God; The Scriptures a Revelation from God; and the Nature of God.

The methods pursued in presenting the subject were question and answer, tests, lectures, and final examinations at the close of each semester.

The students were faithful in attendance, diligent in study, and com-

mendable in deportment.

Respectfully submitted,

W. R. McCHESNEY.

**REPORT OF THE DEPARTMENT OF HEBREW, CHURCH HISTORY, AND OLD AND NEW TESTAMENT LITERATURE.**

Cedarville, Ohio, May 12, 1928.

To the Board of Superintendents, Reformed Presbyterian Theological Seminary:

No classes in Hebrew and Old and New Testament Literature have been in operation during the past year. During the last half of the year there was a class in Church History, consisting of B. B. Fleming, Myron McDonald, Calvin T. Weimer, and Edward S. Wones. They covered the subject from the beginning of the Christian Era to the Protestant Reformation, using as text Fisher's History of the Christian Church.

Throughout the year, Dr. McChesney entrusted to me the class in Greek New Testament, consisting of Day Kennedy, Clair McNeel, and Calvin T. Weimer. As this subject can be used also for College credit, it is uncertain whether some of these students will use it for College or Seminary credit. To be on the safe side, I submit the names of all of them, and state that the ground covered included readings in John, Jude, and Philemon; some studies in the Septuagint; and some readings in Anabasis, in order to get a comparative view of the Greek language.

The examination papers of both classes are herewith submitted.

Respectfully submitted,

F. A. JURKAT.

The report was received and the recommendations taken up seriatim.

The First recommendation was adopted.

The Second recommendation was adopted.

The Third recommendation was adopted.

The Fourth recommendation was adopted.

The Fifth recommendation was adopted.

The Sixth recommendation was adopted.

The Seventh recommendation was adopted.

The Eighth recommendation was adopted.

The report was adopted as a whole.

The Synod here took recess in order that Boards might complete unfinished work.

The hour, 12 o'clock, having arrived before the Moderator called to re-convene, Synod adjourned automatically.

Same place, May 18, 1928, 2 P. M.

The Moderator called Synod to order and asked Rev. Albert E. Gregg to constitute Synod with prayer.

The roll was called; the minutes of the morning session were read and approved.

The Treasurer of the Board of Disabled Ministers' Fund reported. The report was received and referred to the Auditing Committee.

**REPORT OF TREASURER OF DISABLED MINISTERS' FUND**

Balance on hand May 17, 1927 -----	\$4104.48
RECEIPTS	
Dividends on C. N. & C. Common Stock -----	186.00
Dividends on Cincinnati Gas & Electric Stock -----	10.00
Dividends on A. R. M. Common Stock -----	12.00
Dividends on Pure Oil Preferred Stock -----	18.00
Dividends on U. S. Print. & Lith. 2nd. pfd. -----	13.50
Interest, Cedarville B. & L. A. -----	182.93
	\$4546.71
Synod Appropriation to Rev. S. M. Ramsey -----	500.00
Synod Appropriation to Rev. R. W. Chesnut -----	500.00
	\$3546.71
Balance on Hand, May 17, 1928 -----	

LIST OF INVESTMENTS

- 31 Shares C. N. & C. L. & T. Common Stock.
- 2 Shares U. S. Print. & Lith. 2nd. preferred Stock.
- 2 Shares Cincinnati Gas & Electric Stock.
- 3 Shares Pure Oil Preferred Stock.
- 6 Shares American Rolling Mill Common Stock, \$25 each.

Respectfully submitted,

F. A. JURKAT, Treasurer.

Audited and found correct.  
May 18, 1928.

S. A. DUNCAN.  
D. M. REID.  
Committee.

The Treasurer of the Board of Education reported. The report was received and referred to the Auditing Committee.

**REPORT OF THE TREASURER OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION**

To the General Synod of the Reformed Presbyterian Church in North America, to meet in Coulterville, Illinois, May 16, 1928, the Board of Education would report:

Receipts: Dividends on thirty-six (36) shares of C. N. and C. Stock -----	\$216.00
Disbursed to the Treasurer of Cedarville College -----	\$216.00

Respectfully submitted,

W. R. McCHESNEY.

The Fraternal Delegate to the Associate Presbyterian Church reported. The report was approved.

**REPORT OF THE DELEGATE TO THE ASSOCIATE PRESBYTERIAN SYNOD.**

Your delegate to the Associate Presbyterian Synod would report that on account of manifold duties and the distance, I was unable to attend the Synod of the Associate Presbyterian Church. I would suggest that General Synod appoint some other member who can conven-

iently attend. The meeting of the Associate Synod comes at approximately the same time as the commencement of Cedarville College and that of itself rendered it impossible for your delegate to attend.

Respectfully submitted,

W. R. McCHESNEY.

The President of Cedarville College presented his report.

**THIRTY-FOURTH ANNUAL REPORT  
OF THE  
PRESIDENT OF CEDARVILLE COLLEGE ---- --**

To the General Synod of the Reformed Presbyterian Church in North America, to convene in Coulterville, Illinois, May 16, 1928, the President of Cedarville College would report:

Cedarville College, Cedarville, Ohio, began its thirty-fourth year September 7, 1927 and will close the year June 1, 1928. There are thirty professors, instructors, and assistants on the staff of officers of Administration and Instruction in the faculty of the college. The list can be seen on pages four and five in the catalog of the college, 1927-1928, just issued.

There were fifteen members of the Board of Trustees. One of them, Mr. Frank Hastings, who served faithfully and efficiently for several years, passed into his heavenly reward during the past winter, leaving only fourteen members of the Board. For a list of the members of the Board of Trustees and standing committees, see page three of the catalogue of 1928-1929.

The Local Advisory Board has four members and the Women's Advisory Board has fourteen members. See page three of the catalogue.

The college has a productive endowment fund of \$208,785 and four buildings and a campus evaluated at \$200,000, making the total value of the college \$408,785. Thirty different funds from individuals and organizations comprize the above-mentioned endowment fund. During the past year \$6000 in round numbers was added to the productive endowment.

Cedarville College has a collegiate department with four curricula. The Department of Education of Ohio has four curricula for the training of high school and elementary teachers in connection with Cedarville College.

The Theological Seminary is also affiliated with Cedarville College and offers one curriculum for the preparation of students for the Gospel Ministry, Missionary service, and religious education.

The college also has a Department of Music and offers preparatory courses looking toward Engineering, Journalism, Law, Medicine, and Pharmacy.

The college is affiliated with Ohio State University in its Course in Agriculture.

Two hundred and two students are in attendance, of whom fifty-one are music students, one hundred and eighteen normal students and forty-one Liberal Arts' students.

There are three hundred and forty-eight graduates. This year's graduating list numbers thirty-five, which will bring the total alumni list up to three hundred and eighty-three. There are fifty-four honorary alumni and five candidates this spring will bring the honorary list up to fifty-nine, one less that two honorary degrees a commencement were granted.

Most of this year's students to return next year and the inquiring list of new students is the largest in the history of the college.

Faculty meetings in the interests of administration, discipline, and many other features of college life were held twice a month. The faculty has been one of the hardest working and most efficient the college has ever had.

Student activities in athletics, social affairs, literary work, Y. M. and Y. W. Christian Associations, publications, library reference work, and study have been most spirited and helpful.

The relations with other colleges have been cordial and wholesome. The sympathy and support of the community have been encouraging.

The cooperation of the public schools in observation, participation, and student teaching has been marked and gratifying.

The assistance of the Department of Education of Ohio has been generous and its teachers and their work have been of the highest character; and they have rendered themselves so serviceable and popular that they are an invaluable asset to the college and the community.

The office of the college has distributed during the year nearly 3000 letters, and 30000 catalogues and bulletins. In addition to this it has taken complete care of the registration of over two hundred students, the recording and distributing of their grades, the issuing of the official transcripts of the students and alumni, the recording of the minutes of the faculty, the hearing of students, teachers, visitors and agents on multifarious errands besides the direction of office help and counseling on student activities and numerous detailed duties in connection with commencement week. All of this has fallen to the lot of the President and the Registrar, who, in addition thereto, teach twelve hours a week. Since the resignation of Dean Robinson last year, all of his duties came upon the Registrar of the faculty. The office work of the college in itself is a work requiring the sole time of at least two constantly upon the job.

The needs of the college are pressing. The chapel is inadequate. There ought to be a building erected in the near future combining offices, and a chapel large enough to seat at least five hundred. The college also needs a dormitory for girls and another for men. There is supreme need now for at least \$300,000 to be added to the endowment fund. This was most strikingly brought to the attention of the President of the college and local Board of Trustees in the latter part of April of this year by the following communication from the Department of Education of Ohio:

"After September 1, 1929, the State Department of Education will recognize for the training of teachers no liberal arts college either maintaining a department of education, or associated with a teachers' college, unless such institution is eligible for membership in the Ohio College Association, The North Central Association of Colleges, and Secondary Schools, The Association of American Universities, or some equivalent standard accrediting agency. Such eligibility is a prerequisite to recognition, but not in any sense a substitute for the usual professional requirements."

This communication means that between the present date and September 1, 1929, in order that Cedarville College shall continue to be recognized by the State Department of Education, a sum of three hundred thousand dollars must be added to the endowment fund of five hundred thousand dollars, which is the minimum sum necessary to eligibility for membership in the Ohio College Association, The North Central Association of Colleges and Secondary Schools, and the Association of American Universities.



Unless Cedarville College meets this requirement and continues to receive recognition from these various associations, it will have to close its doors on or soon after September 1, 1929. This is a nation wide movement. It can not be averted. It can no longer be a matter to be complained of. We are face to face with the stern facts. We must meet them. We must solve them. We must act now and act with decision and wisdom. There must be no giving up, no abandonment of the work, no retracing. We must be constructive, progressive, determined, and find and follow the way to a bigger, better, and right, way for Cedarville College regardless of the sacrifices and cost.

We present the following recommendations to General Synod:

First—That each congregation under the care of General Synod, unless it have some other method of raising funds, set apart such Sabbath or Sabbaths of the year as may be deemed wise, to contribute benevolent offerings for the current expenses of the college, and that the notice of these offerings be made from each pulpit in the church at least two weeks before the offering is taken.

Second—That the pastors preach upon themes pertaining to Christian education in which the specific virtues and needs of Cedarville College shall be presented upon the day that the church offerings are announced.

Third—That the Board of Trustees of the Theological Seminary Fund be requested to issue a certificate to the treasurer of the board's funds to pay the amount of five hundred dollars this year to the treasurer of Cedarville College not later than the month of November, 1928.

Fourth— That the Board of Trustees of the Theological Seminary Fund be requested to issue a certificate to the treasurer of the board's fund to pay the annual rental of one hundred and thirty dollars to the Treasurer of Cedarville College.

Thankful to Almighty God for His guidance and mercies and to this General Synod for its interest and support.

Respectfully submitted,

W. R. McCHESNEY, President.  
Cedarville College, Cedarville, Ohio.

The report was received and the recommendations taken up seriatim.

The first recommendation was adopted.

The second recommendation was adopted.

The third recommendation was adopted.

The fourth recommendation was adopted.

The report was adopted as a whole.

Dr. McChesney presented a resolution relative to the future of Cedarville College.

#### RESOLUTION

Transferring to the Board of Trustees of Cedarville College, Cedarville, Ohio, the Control and Property Rights of Said College from the General Synod to the Said Board.

WHEREAS: on the 24th. day of January, 1887, the General Synod of the Reformed Presbyterian Church in North America did secure from the State of Ohio a Charter of Incorporation for Cedarville College at Cedarville, Greene County, Ohio, and

WHEREAS: on the 22nd. day of May, 1907, the said General Synod did authorize the Board of Trustees of said College to perpetuate

itself by electing and re-electing its members nevertheless, retaining to itself original jurisdiction, and

WHEREAS: It now appears to be for the best interests of said College that the said General Synod relinquish all claim, right, title and interest in and to said Cedarville College, Cedarville, Ohio;

THEREFORE: Be it resolved by the said General Synod, now in session in the Reformed Presbyterian Church, Coulterville, Illinois, this 18th. day of May, 1928 that all right, title, interest, jurisdiction and control of the General Synod of the Reformed Presbyterian Church in North America in and to Cedarville College Cedarville, Ohio, including property rights of every kind, endowment, real estate, and equipment, also all object, purpose, right of control and jurisdiction now held by said General Synod therein be, and the same hereby is, relinquished, transferred, conveyed and vested in the present Board of Trustees of the said Cedarville College, namely: William Conley, William R. Collins, F. A. Jurkat, Homer B. Henderson, M. I. Marsh, Homer McMillan, David McKinney, W. P. Harriman, F. P. Hastings, S. C. Wright W. R. McChesney, J. Alvin Orr, William R. Graham, Walter C. Iliiff, George H. Hartman and their successors in office forever.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED: That this Resolution be recorded in the minutes of General Synod and a certified copy thereof, signed by the Moderator of this General Synod and attested by the stated Clerk of this General Synod, be issued to S. C. Wright, Secretary of the Board of Trustees of Cedarville College.

The resolution was adopted.

It was voted that the Committee on securing incorporation for General Synod be dismissed, as it is not present and has sent no report.

It was voted to take a recess to permit the Boards to complete their work.

Later Synod re-convened.

The Committee to examine the records of the Ohio Presbytery reported that it had "examined said records and found them neatly and correctly kept. L. A. Benson, R. W. Chesnut".

The committee to examine the records of the Philadelphia Presbytery reported:

"Your Committee has examined said records and found them neatly and correctly kept. Paul W. Duncan.

The Committee to examine the records of the Western Presbytery reported:

"Your Committee on the records of the Western Presbytery would report that it has examined said records and found them neatly and correctly kept. John Parks, Albert E. Gregg."

The Committee to examine the records of the Pittsburgh Presbytery reported:

"Your Committee to examine the records of the Pittsburgh Presbytery would report that it has examined said records and found them neatly and correctly kept. R. C. Montgomery, Thomas Whyte."

These reports were each approved.

### IMPORTANT NOTICE

Since the adjournment of Synod, it has developed that the Clerk misread the communication from Mr. W. J. Imbrie to mean that Mr. Imbrie was resigning as treasurer of all of the Boards upon which he was serving, whereas he resigned as treasurer of the Board of Trustees of Theological Seminary and Lamb Fund only.

When this became known, Mr. S. A. Duncan wrote out a statement declining to serve under the circumstances and turned everything back into Mr. Imbrie's hands. Consequently Mr. Imbrie will still be the treasurer of these Boards, with the exception of the Lamb Fund and the Theological Seminary.

L. A. BENSON, Stated Clerk.

The Corresponding Secretary of the Foreign Mission Board presented the report of that Board.

### REPORT OF THE BOARD OF FOREIGN MISSIONS

The Foreign Mission Board would respectfully report to General Synod as follows:

Another year has gone since we last reported to Synod. The Lord has kept us safely through another year, and while we have not realized what we had expected, yet we believe that in His providence the things that are for the best in the end for our Board and the Mission in India have come to pass.

Dr. and Mrs. Taylor have been carrying on the work with great energy, and their native helpers have been kept busy during the year. The cut in the budget last year was a sore disappointment to Dr. Taylor, and has no doubt hindered the work and caused suffering among the workers. Had we known how things were going to turn out here at home, we could well have paid the Budget in full, from our increased income. However, good work has been done, and best of all, the lives of our missionaries have been spared.

We were again greatly disappointed in not being able to send out another missionary. This is the second time we have been disappointed in the past two years. At the end of the last school year, Mr. Tedford came east to prepare to go to India, but became ill, and on being examined by a physician, was pronounced unfit to go. His trouble was low blood pressure, and kidney trouble. This was a great disappointment both to him and the Board and Mission. Since then his condition has not materially changed. We are now just where we were three years ago, looking for some one to volunteer for the service.

Your secretary applied to the Students' Volunteer Movement without any results. Our last effort was with the United Presbyterian Board. Through this effort we have had some correspondence with Rev. Mills J. Taylor, of Philadelphia, and also with a young man who had applied to be sent out to India, by the U. P. Board, but from lack of funds in the Board he could not be accepted. As to the fitness of this young man, we think that his case should be taken up by the Executive Committee immediately. At present he is in New York City finishing

his studies in the Biblical Institute. He is married and they have both passed the physical examination under the direction of the U. P. Board. He desires to become better acquainted with our Mission and its work, and if he should go, what his relation to Dr. Taylor would be. He would like to have a conference with representatives of our Board.

We have just received the reports of the personal work done by Dr. and Mrs. Taylor, during the past year. These reports show the amount of work done during the year. Some workers had to be dismissed, and those who remained had to endure many hardships. The budget this year is 20,000 rupees. Surely we can meet it this year.

The time has now arrived when capable young men, natives of India, are desiring to enter the gospel ministry in India, and they need all the financial help we can give them. We should give them a substantial allowance from the Lamb Fund, so that Dr. Taylor might be able to place them in the Seminary immediately. Your secretary believes that Synod should grant Dr. Taylor's request for the necessary help.

While we should not go beyond our means, we should at least go to our limit. This must be decided year by year.

In order to carry on our work successfully, we call upon the entire church to rally to the support of the Board with their means, that the treasurer may be able to meet all bills when due. These contributions should be taken up and sent in as early as possible. We cannot establish a rule that will suit every congregation, but we would urge every congregation to make a special effort in behalf of our India Mission.

Our Missionaries are doing good work and should be heartily supported by the entire membership of the church.

Another year has gone by and a new year has come with all its responsibilities and possibilities. Are we awake to the duty of the hour? "Go ye into all the world and preach the gospel to every creature."

1. We recommend that the committee on the Lamb Fund pay to Dr. Taylor, for the education of Charles Mathews, for the gospel ministry in India, the sum of \$100.

2. We recommend that Dr. Taylor be informed that those young men looking forward to the gospel ministry in India, can have such aid in their literary education as he may advise.

3. We recommend that the Board appoint a committee of three to take up the matter of securing a suitable person to go out to India at the earliest possible date as a missionary, and that this committee of three draw up a full and concise statement regarding the condition and needs of the Mission, and the requirements for the candidates for the Mission, and their relation to the work of Dr. Taylor, as director of the Mission.

REV. R. W. CHESNUT, Cor. Sec.

The report was received and the recommendations taken up seriatim.

The first recommendation was adopted.

The second recommendation was adopted.

The third recommendation was adopted.

The report was adopted as a whole.

The Treasurer of the Foreign Mission Board reported. The report was received and referred to the Auditing Committee.

**REPORT OF THE TREASURER OF THE BOARD OF FOREIGN MISSIONS OF THE REFORMED PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH OF N. A. G. S. U. S. A.**

CURRENT ACCOUNT RECEIPTS

5th. Reformed Presbyterian Church, Philadelphia			
Oct. 19, 1927	Sabbath School, 2nd. quarter -----	\$ 74.22	
	Sabbath School, 3rd. quarter -----	114.81	
Jan. 13, 1928	Sabbath School -----	117.25	
May 3, 1928	Congregation -----	\$306.28	
		450.00	\$756.28
First Reformed Presbyterian Church, Pittsburgh, Pa.			
Aug. 30, 1927	Congregation -----	\$ 50.00	
Jan. 13, 1928	Congregation -----	117.47	
May 3, 1928	Congregation -----	223.91	
			\$391.38
Bethel Church, Sparta, Ill.			
July 2, 1927	Congregation -----	\$112.50	
Jan 28, 1927	Congregation -----	100.00	
May 3, 1928	Congregation -----	75.00	
			\$287.50
Aug. 23, 1927	L. M. S. -----	7.00	
Apr. 30, 1928	L. M. S. -----	13.50	
			20.50
Aug. 1, 1927	C. E. -----	15.00	
Jan. 13, 1928	Birthday Offerings S. School -----	17.84	
Jan. 13, 1928	Mission Band -----	2.65	
Apr. 30, 1928	Donation by a member -----	15.00	
			50.49
			\$358.49
3rd. Reformed Presbyterian Church, Philadelphia			
May 11, 1928	Congregation -----	\$190.00	
	Sabbath School -----	50.00	
	Senior C. E. -----	45.00	
	Junior C. E. -----	10.00	
			\$295.00
7th. Reformed Presbyterian Church, Philadelphia			
Nov. 8, 1927	Congregation -----	28.32	
Feb. 18, 1928	Wm. Hempton, Treas. Buchanan Fund -----	200.00	
			\$228.32
Los Angeles Church, Cal.			
Feb. 1, 1928	Congregation -----	\$ 50.00	

	W. M. Society -----	24.00	
	S. School Support Bible		
	Woman -----	60.00	
	Miss Ramsey Support a		
	Student -----	35.00	
May 7, 1928	Congregation -----	20.00	

\$189.00

	Grand Cote Church, Coultersville, Ill.		
Aug. 9, 1927	Congregation -----	22.62	
Nov. 8, 1927	Congregation -----	18.47	
Feb. 7, 1928	Congregation -----	28.83	
Apr. 30, 1928	Congregation -----	33.69	

\$103.61

Aug. 6, 1927	L. M. S. -----	15.00	
Nov. 8, 1927	L. M. S. -----	15.00	
Feb. 4, 1928	L. M. S. -----	15.00	
Apr. 12, 1928	L. M. S. -----	15.00	

60.00

\$163.61

	Republican City Church, Kans.		
July 7, 1927	Congregation -----	25.00	
Oct. 26, 1927	Congregation -----	19.00	
Dec. 8, 1927	Congregation -----	6.00	
Apr. 10, 1928	Congregation -----	18.25	
May 9, 1928	Congregation -----	22.85	

\$91.10

July 7, 1927	Y. P. Bible Class -----	20.00	
Sept. 10, 1927	4-Leaf Clover Class -----	15.40	
Apr. 19, 1928	Sabbath School -----	24.00	
May 7, 1928	W. M. Society -----	8.40	

\$67.80

\$158.90

	Darlington Church, Pa.		
May 19, 1927	Congregation -----	10.00	

\$30.00

Dec. 24, 1927	L. M. Society -----	35.00	
May 7, 1928	L. M. Society -----	65.00	

100.00

June 24, 1927	Congregation -----	20.00	
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\$130.00

	Duanesburg, N. Y.		
May 19, 1927	Congregation -----	22.00	
Dec. 12, 1927	Congregation -----	20.00	

\$ 42.00

	White Church, Pa.		
May 26, 1927	Congregation -----		\$ 35.00

Fairview Church		
Apr. 18, 1928	L. M. Society -----	\$ 5.00
Miscellaneous Contributions		
May 26, 1927	Western Presbytery Trav. expenses to Synod	49.30
	Donation to same -----	.70
June 1, 1927	Interest on daily Balances Sparta State Bank	7.88
Dec. 1, 1927	Do -----	3.51
June 22, 1927	Elsie Harbison -----	20.00
June 27, 1927	Donation -----	20.00
July 7, 1927	Donation -----	25.00
July 27, 1927	Donation -----	60.00
	Frank O. Harbison -----	50.00
Aug. 22, 1927	Mrs. Wm. N. Brown, Cutler, Ill. -----	10.00
Oct. 7, 1927	Carl W. Siehle, support boy, Suggard Paul	50.00
Oct. 21, 1927	Matilda McCollum -----	75.00
Dec. 24, 1927	Linnie J. Long -----	10.00
Jan. 28, 1928	Donation "A Friend" Support of a student	100.00
Apr. 9, 1928	Prof. F. A. Jurkat -----	50.00
Apr. 25, 1928	Prof. W. R. McChesney -----	25.00
Oct. 19, 1927	Interest on Forbes Bequest to Pittsburgh, Presbytery -----	35.00
Apr. 6, 1928	Interest on Forbes Bequest to Pittsburgh, Presbytery -----	35.00
May 11, 1928	American Exchange Irving Trust Co., Jas. Adam Bequest -----	99.90
Feb. 19, 1928	Personal Loan, no interest -----	250.00
Sept. 9, 1927	Ladies Presbyterial of Western Presbytery	38.25
	<b>Total -----</b>	<b>\$3767.52</b>
July 30, 1927	Checked from endowment account, interest	700.00
Oct. 25, 1927	do -----	900.00
Jan. 9, 1928	do -----	500.00
Feb. 18, 1928	do -----	575.00
May 9, 1928	do -----	500.00
May 9, 1928	W. M. Society, Sparta, Duty on Christmas goods -----	4.50
	<b>Total -----</b>	<b>\$6947.02</b>
	Balance on hand, May 19, 1927 -----	1558.85
	<b>Total, May 14, 1928 -----</b>	<b>\$8505.87</b>

## DISBURSEMENTS

May 17, 1927	Rev. L. A. Benson, Administra- tion Fund -----	\$ 100.00
	Trav. Ex. Treasurer to Synod -----	50.00
May 27, 1927	Rev. R. W. Chesnut, Incidentals	20.00
June 1, 1927	Dr. Taylor Budget, Rs. 4120-15-0	1500.00
July 2, 1927	Interest on 6 mos. note Sparta State Bank -----	45.00
July 30, 1927	Dr. Taylor Budget, Rs. 2764-0-0	1000.00
Oct. 25, 1927	Dr. Taylor Budget, Rs. 2734-8-0	1000.00
	Dr. Taylor, Support boy, Suggard Paul 136-11 -----	50.00
Jan. 13, 1928	Interest note for 6 mos. Sparta State Bank -----	45.00
Jan. 9, 1928	Dr. Taylor Budget, Rs. 2713-0-0	1000.00
Feb. 18, 1928	Dr. Taylor, Bal Budget, 1921, 22. 2155 Rs. -----	788.73

Dr. Taylor, Support Students -----	100.00
Dr. Taylor, Support Student -----	35.00
Dr. Taylor on 1927 Budget, Rs. 1366-2-0 -----	500.00
Dr. Taylor, Support Bible Woman, Itr. Singh. -----	60.00
Mar. 26, 1928 Repay Loan without interest ----	250.00
Mar. 22, 1928 Leslie B. Moss, Foreign Mission Conference -----	15.00
May 9, 1928 Dr. Taylor, Bal. 1926 Budget, Rs. 3960 -----	1448.17
Dr. Taylor, Duty on box Christmas Goods -----	4.50
Total -----	\$8011.40
Balance, May 14, 1928 -----	494.47

\$8505.87

LIABILITY

Note for \$1500.00 to Sparta State Bank.

Budget Allowed \$5,000.00

Paid 5,000.00 Rs. 13698

Respectfully submitted,

D. M. REID, Treasurer.

D. M. Reid, Treasurer of Foreign Mission Board, presented a supplemental report. The report was received with thanks. Supplemental report.

May 19, 1928. Received from  
Duaneburgh Congregation \$43.  
Darlington Congregation \$10.

D. M. REID, Treasurer.

ENDOWMENT FUND RECEIPTS

June 7, 1927 Interest on Taylor Co., W. Va., Bonds -----	\$ 50.00	
Dec. 10, 1927 Do -----	50.00	
		\$ 100.00
June 7, 1927 Interest on St. Marie Drainage & Levee, Jasper Co., Ill. -----	90.00	
Dec. 10, 1927 Do -----	90.00	
		180.00
June 7, 1927 Interest on Delta Co., Texas Bond -----	25.00	
Dec. 10, 1927 Do -----	25.00	
		50.00
June 7, 1927 Interest on Miami Conservancy Bond -----	27.50	
June 17, 1927 Interest on City of Vienna, Ill. Bond -----	30.00	
Dec. 15, 1927 Do -----	30.00	
		60.00
July 2, 1927 Interest Panola Co., Texas Bonds -----	55.00	
Jan. 1, 1928 Do -----	55.00	
Aug. 19, 1927 Do -----	55.00	
Feb. 17, 1928 Do -----	55.00	
		220.00



Aug. 8, 1927	Interest St. Francis Co., Ark., Bonds	55.00	
Feb. 1, 1928	Do -----	55.00	
			110.00
Aug. 8, 1927	Interest Barry Co., Mo., Bond ----	30.00	
Feb. 1, 1928	Do -----	30.00	
			60.00
Sept. 9, 1927	Interest on Woodruff Co., Ark.		
	Bonds -----	60.00	
Mar. 6, 1928	Do -----	60.00	
			120.00
Sept. 9, 1927	Central Indiana Gas Co., Bonds -----		100.00
Sept. 9, 1927	Interest Seaboard Air Line Ry. Co.		
	Bonds -----	150.00	
Mar. 6, 1928	Do -----	150.00	
			300.00
Sept. 9, 1927	Fractional Shares Kansas City Public Service		
	Co. -----		59.96
Sept. 9, 1927	Interest Kansas City Public Service		
	Co., Bonds -----	96.00	
Nov. 7, 1927	Interest Common & Preferred Stock	19.25	
Jan. 3, 1928	Interest Common & Preferred Stock	19.25	
Jan. 13, 1928	Interest on Bonds -----	48.00	
Apr. 4, 1928	Interest Common & Preferred Stock	19.25	
			201.75
Sept. 16, 1927	Interest on 3rd. Liberty Loan Bonds	74.38	
Mar. 15, 1928	Interest do -----	74.37	
			148.75
Oct. 10, 1927	Interest Morris Co., Texas ----	55.00	
Apr. 10, 1928	Do -----	55.00	
			110.00
Oct. 10, 1927	Interest North Carolina School		
	Bonds -----	55.00	
Apr. 10, 1928	Do -----	55.00	
			110.00
Oct. 10, 1927	Columbus Ry. P. & Light Co., Bonds -----		100.00
Oct. 18, 1927	U. S. Treasury Bonds & 4th. Liber-		
	ty Loan Bonds -----	34.00	
Apr. 16, 1928	Do -----	34.00	
			68.00
Nov. 7, 1927	St. Lucie Co., Fla. -----	60.00	
May 11, 1928	Do -----	60.00	
			120.00
Nov. 7, 1927	American Exchange Irving Trust Co., Jas.		
	Adam Fund -----		111.00
July 2, 1927	Interest Income Leasehold Co. ----	100.00	
Jan. 7, 1928	Do -----	100.00	
			200.00

Nov. 16, 1927	Bonds Called Columbus Ry. P. & L. Co.-----	4200.00
Dec. 1, 1927	Miami Conservance Bond, retired -----	1000.00
Jan. 30, 1928	Central Indiana Gas. Co., Bonds, retired -----	4040.00
	Accrued interest on same -----	81.11
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		4121.11
Feb. 1, 1928	Interest United Light & Rys. Co., Bonds -----	82.50
Feb. 1, 1928	Interest Jackson & Poinset Co., Ark. -----	25.00
Feb. 1, 1928	Interest Conway Co., Ark. -----	27.50
Mar. 6, 1928	Carroll Co., Mo., -----	27.50
Apr. 10, 1928	Interest, Little Rock, Highland Gas, Water & Light Dist. -----	82.50
Apr. 19, 1928	3-1000 3rd. Liberty Loan Bonds retired. 1-500	3514.21
Apr. 19, 1928	1-500 4th. Liberty Loan Bonds, retired -----	515.46
Apr. 19, 1928	Accrued interest on same -----	6.69
Apr. 19, 1928	4-1000 Greater Pythian Temple Asson., Bonds Called -----	4120.00
Jun. 1, 1927	Interest on daily Balances Sparta State Bank	4.53
Dec. 1, 1927	Do -----	11.50
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	Balance on hand, May 18, 1927 -----	\$20,322.96
		337.96
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	Total, May 14, 1928 -----	\$20,660.92

Dec. 1, 1927 Do ----- 27.50

DISBURSEMENTS

Dec. 1, 1927	Paid for 1-\$1,000 Carroll Co., Mo. Bond -----	\$1,030.00
	Accrued interest on same -----	13.90
Dec. 1, 1927	1-1000 Conway Co., Ark. Bond -----	1,010.00
	Accrued interest on same -----	18.49
	1-1000 Jackson & Poinsett Counties	995.00
	Accrued interest on same -----	16.81
	2-1000 Little Rock Highland Gas, W. & L. Dist. -----	1,990.00
	Accrued interest on same -----	18.64
Jan. 29, 1928	Paid 1-1000 Little Rock Highland Gas, W. & L. -----	1,000.00
	Accrued interest on same -----	17.72
	3-1000 United Light & Railways Co.	2,985.00
	Accrued interest on same -----	80.67
Apr. 19, 1928	Paid 4-1000 Greater Pythian Temple Asson. -----	4,000.00
	2-1000 Central Gas & Electric Co.-----	1,970.00
	Accrued interest on same -----	37.61
	2-1000 Greater Pythian Temple Assn.	2,000.00
July 30, 1927	Transferred to Current Account.-----	700.00
Oct. 25, 1927	Do -----	900.00
Jan. 9, 1928	Do -----	500.00
Mar. 18, 1928	Do -----	575.00
May 9, 1928	Do -----	500.00
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		\$20,358.84

Balance on hand, May 14, 1928 ----- 302.08

\$20,660.92

Respectfully submitted,

D. M. REID, Treasurer.

Audited and found correct.  
May 18, 1928.

S. A. DUNCAN.  
F. A. JURKAT.  
Committee.

ASSETS OF THE ENDOWMENT FUND OF THE  
FOREIGN MISSIONS

May 14, 1928

1 Kansas City Public Service Gold Bond, par value-----	\$1,000.00
1 Kansas City Public Service Gold Bond, par value -----	500.00
1 Kansas City Public Service Gold Bond, par value -----	100.00
9 shares, Do, Preferred stock, no par value	
2 shares, Do, Preferred stock, no par value	
4000/10,000 shares, Do, Preferred stock, no par value	
25 shares, Do, Common stock, no par value	
2 shares, Do, Common stock, no par value	
1 Dewitt Drainage & Levee District, Carroll Co., Mo.-----	1,000.00
1 Road Improvement District, No. 1 Conway Co., Ark. ----	1,000.00
1 Cache River Drainage Dist., Jackson & Poinsett Cos., Ark	1,000.00
3 Little Rock Highland Gas, Water & Light -----	3,000.00
4 Income Leasehold Co., 1st. Mortgage Gold Bonds ----	4,000.00
5 Seaboard Airline Ry., 1st. & Consolidated Mortg. Gold Bonds -----	5,000.00
3 United Light & Railways -----	3,000.00
4-\$500.00 Robeson Co., North Carolina Town of Lumberton School Bonds -----	2,000.00
1 City of Vienna, Ill., Johnston Co. -----	1,000.00
2-\$500.00 Butterfield Special Road Dist., Barry Co., Mo. ----	1,000.00
4-\$500.00 Taylor Co., W. Va., Permanent Road Improvement Bonds -----	2,000.00
3 St. Marie Drainage & Levee Dist., Jasper Co., Ill. ----	3,000.00
10 shares Dodds Graniteware Co. -----	1,000.00
1 U. S. Treasury Gold Bond -----	1,000.00
1 U. S. 4th. Liberty Bond -----	100.00
1 Delta Co., Texas Road Bond -----	1,000.00
2 Road Improvement Dist., No. 18, Woodruff Co., Ark.-----	2,000.00
2 Road Improvement Dist. No. 2 St. Francis Co., Ark. ----	2,000.00
2 North St. Lucie Drainage Dist., Fla. -----	2,000.00
2 Road District No. 2, Panola Co., Texas -----	2,000.00
4-\$500.00 Special Road Justice Precinct No. 2 Panola Co. Texas -----	2,000.00
2 Road Bonds District No. 1, Morris Co., Texas -----	2,000.00
4000/10,000 shares, Do, Common stock, no par value	
2 Central Gas & Electric Co. -----	2,000.00
2 Greater Pythian Temple Association, 1st, Mortgage Bonds	2,000.00
Working Capital in India estimated at -----	2,000.00
Cash on hand, May 14, 1928 -----	272.08
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	\$49,972.08

Respectfully submitted,

D. M. REID, Treasurer.

Synod then adjourned by resolution, the Moderator calling on Prof. F. A. Jurkat to adjourn with prayer.

Same place, May 19, 1928, 9 A. M.

The Moderator called Synod to order and constituted with prayer

The Rev. W. R. McChesney, D. D., led the devotions. Subject "Home Missions" This, too, was a profitable hour.

The roll was then called; the Minutes of last session were read and approved.

A letter of cordial greeting and fellowship from the Presbyterian Church in Canada, signed by S. C. Parker, Com. on Correspondence, J. W. McNamara, Clerk of the General Assembly, which was received too late for the last meeting of Synod, was presented to the Court. The Clerk was authorized to write the Clerk of the General Assembly of the Presbyterian Church of Canada, reciprocating these friendly greetings and expressing the goodwill of the General Synod of the Reformed Presbyterian Church.

The following letter was received by the Clerk after the close of Synod. It is of such importance and shows such a fine spirit in the brethren of the Presbyterian Church of Canada that the Clerk assumes the responsibility of giving it to the members of the General Synod in the Minutes, confident that the Synod shall be happy to receive and to reciprocate such cordial felicitations.. Rejoicing in the prosperity of this sister church "We in the name of God the Lord do wish them to be blessed."

L. A. BENSON, Clerk.  
Toronto 2, May 21st. 1928.

Rev. L. A. Benson,  
Clerk of the General Assembly,  
General Synod Reformed Presbyterian Church,  
Clay Centre,  
Kas. U. S. A.  
Dear Sir:—

The Presbyterian Church in Canada sends most cordial greetings to the Venerable, the General Assembly of the Reformed Presbyterian Church, praying that the blessing of Almighty God may rest upon you in your labours.

The Presbyterian Church in Canada looks back with gratitude upon a year of expansion and prosperity such as it trusts you also can contemplate. Among its most notable features have been the creation of a Pension Fund for Ministers, and a revival in Church Architecture, resulting in a number of fine Churches, both large and small. The Home and Foreign

Missions of the Church have also been strengthened and advanced, while the zeal and Christian liberality of the people have been more than gratifying.

In the past year 33 new congregations have been formed, making a total of 1281, while the number of communicants has increased from 163,374 to 172,518. It may also be interesting to note that in the past two years 141 new congregations have been formed and 18,275 communicants added. These figures from the official summary may convey a suggestion of the vitality of the Presbyterian Church which is being maintained in this country.

We covet earnestly the continued good will of our brethren of the Reformed Presbyterian Church, and shall do all possible to co-operate with you in caring for those of your people who emigrate to the Dominion.

Yours sincerely,

S. C. PARKER,

Convener of Committee on Correspondence

J. W. MacNAMARA,

Clerk of General Assembly.

The Treasurer of Cedarville College reported. The report was received and referred to the Auditing Committee.

#### REPORT OF THE TREASURER OF CEDARVILLE COLLEGE

Balance, May 17, 1927 ----- \$844.65

##### RECEIPTS

Tuition Fees ----- \$12,374.45

Income from Endowment Funds:

Ninth St. Cincinnati Property	\$4600.00
Cumminsville Property	540.00
McLeod Memorial Fund	275.00
Interest, Cedarville Mtg. No. 10	120.00
Interest, Cedarville Mtg. No. 17	180.00
Interest, Cedarville Mtg. No. 23	120.00
Interest, Cedarville Mtg. No. 24	141.00
Interest, Cedarville Mtg. No. 26	60.00
Interest, Cedarville Mtg. No. 28	30.00

Dividends:

C. N. & C., Common	144.00
C. N. & C., Preferred	321.74
Champion Fibre, Preferred	140.00
Pure Oil, 6% Preferred	336.00
Pure Oil, 8% Preferred	320.00
American Rolling Mill, Preferred	57.75
N. O. P. & L., Preferred	120.00
Ohio Bell Telephone, Preferred	196.00
Cincinnati Gas & Electric	60.00
U. S. Steel, Preferred	84.00
Globe Soap, First Preferred	72.00

Barnhart Bros. & Spindler, Pfd.---	70.00
U. S. Print. & Lith. 2nd. Pfd.----	27.00
Endicott Johnson, Preferred -----	70.00
Goodyear T. & R., 7%, Preferred---	85.75
Goodyear T. & R., 8%, Preferred---	40.00
Youngstown S. & T., Preferred----	70.00
Interest on Bonds:	
Columbus Railway -----	40.00
United Fuel Gas -----	30.00
Brooklyn City Railway -----	50.00
Ohio & L. K. Railway -----	50.00
Champion Coated Paper -----	300.00
Tudor Court Apartments -----	130.00
Zane Hotel -----	130.00
Champion Fibre -----	120.00
National Union Mortgage -----	60.00
Coronado -----	32.50
Auditorium Hotel -----	162.50
Adams-Franklin -----	156.25
Fashion Trades Building -----	31.25
U. S. Liberty Bonds -----	10.63
Interest, Home B. & S. Certific.-----	690.00
Interest, Peoples B. & S. Certific. ---	898.00
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	\$11,171.37
Board of Education -----	216.00
Cedarville Township Library Rent -----	560.00
Greene County Normal School -----	264.00
State Ed. Dept., Refunder for Alterations-----	462.57
Seminary Appropriation, 2 years -----	1,000.00
Seminary Rental, 2 years -----	260.00
Miscellaneous -----	1.50

CONTRIBUTIONS

Philadelphia Presbytery:	
Third Church, Philadelphia -----	\$100.00
Fifth Church, Philadelphia -----	150.00
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	250.00
Pittsburgh Presbytery:	
Pittsburgh Congregation -----	779.42
Darlington Congregation -----	5.00
Darlington L. M. S. -----	100.00
Linnie Long -----	10.00
Rachel Watt -----	10.00
Mary & Margaret Watt -----	10.00
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	914.42
Ohio Presbytery:	
Cedarville Pres. Cong. -----	306.55
Cedarville Pres. S. S. -----	25.58
Ada Stormont -----	10.00
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	342.13
Western Presbytery:	
Sparta Congregation -----	125.00

Republican City Congregation ----	23.65	
Coulterville Congregation -----	81.07	
		229.72
Total Receipts -----		\$28,046.16
Total Receipts and Balance -----		\$28,890.81
<b>EXPENDITURES</b>		
Salaries -----		\$17,898.90
Canvassing & Advertising -----	417.22	
Catalogs -----	409.68	
Tuning Piano -----	6.00	
Shrubs -----	47.00	
Commencement Expenses -----	64.35	
Street Assessment -----	800.74	
Trustees Travelling Expnses -----	63.24	
Refunder to Endowment Fund -----	300.00	
Gas -----	169.90	
Electric Light -----	342.00	
General Synod Expenses -----	28.24	
Hardware -----	523.96	
Teaming -----	160.00	
Coal -----	914.79	
Office Expenses, 2 years -----	201.28	
Maps -----	18.88	
Sundries -----	98.64	
Cedar Day -----	56.64	
Crushed Stone -----	252.63	
Labor -----	97.85	
Diplomas -----	48.99	
Athletic Expenses -----	2160.20	
Water Softener -----	325.00	
Magazines -----	37.25	
Flowers -----	13.00	
Industrial Insurance -----	62.20	
Administration Expenses -----	53.46	
Janitor's Supplies -----	96.58	
Rebates -----	10.00	
Alford Memorial Gym Tablet -----	75.00	
Accrued Interest -----	192.57	
Chapel Speakers -----	10.00	
Furniture -----	236.80	
Repairs & Improvements -----	597.14	
Examination Paper -----	81.25	
Lumber -----	420.50	
Insurance -----	41.75	
Annuities -----	387.50	
Painting -----	118.10	
Typewriter -----	75.25	
Total Expenditures -----		\$27,914.48
Balance, May 17, 1928 -----		\$976.33
<b>ENDOWMENT FUND RECEIPTS</b>		
Balance in Bank, May 17, 1927 -----		\$1975.86

Payments on Endowment & Building Drive -----	445.00
Mortgage No. 24 retired -----	3900.00
Elizabeth Scott Bequest -----	122.58
Thompson Crawford Bequest -----	1414.65
Agnes Stormont Bequest -----	1000.00
James H. Andrew Bequest -----	1000.00
Kate E. Imbrie Bequest -----	4500.00
Donation, one share Goodyear Pfd., received invested -----	100.00
Sale of Liberty Bonds, at par -----	400.00
Sale of 3/4 share Goodyear Pfd., Scrip -----	69.55
10 shares Goodyear Prior Pfd., retired -----	1100.00
Payment on Loan to Current Fund -----	300.00
Peoples B. & S. Co., Certificate retired -----	5000.00
Sale of \$5000 Liberty Bonds -----	5149.00
United Fuel Gas Bond retired -----	1050.00
2 National Union Mtg. Bonds, retired -----	2020.00
11 shares A. R. M., Pfd., retired -----	1210.00
Net accrued interest on above two items -----	50.47

Total ----- \$30,807.11

DISBURSEMENTS

15 shares C. N. & C. Pfd. -----	\$1125.00
1 share Goodyear Pfd., received inveted -----	100.00
1 Coronado Bond -----	1014.70
1 Fashion Trades Bldg. Bond -----	998.65
5 Champion Fibre Bonds -----	5012.50
Cedarville Mtg. No. 28 -----	1000.00
2 Belvidere Apartment Bonds -----	2000.00
6 E. Kahn's Sons Co., Bonds -----	6060.00
5 Hatfield-Campbell Creek Coal Co. Bonds -----	5000.00
6 Henry Clay Hotel Bonds (\$500) -----	3014.62
5 Auditorium Hotel Bonds -----	5000.00

\$30,325.47

Balance in Bank, May 17, 1928 ----- \$481.64

CEDARVILLE COLLEGE CONTEST FUND

Balance, May 17, 1927 ----- \$ 73.02

Received form Martha Alford ----- 25.00

Balance, May 17, 1928 ----- \$ 98.02

Respectfully submitted,

F. A. JURKAT, Treasurer.

LIST OF INVESTMENTS

Ninth Street, Cincinnati, Property -----	\$77,500.00
Cumminsville Property -----	9,000.00
McLeod Memorial Fund -----	5,000.00
Cedarville Mortgage No. 10 -----	2,000.00
Cedarville Mortgage No. 17 -----	3,000.00
Cedarville Mortgage No. 22 -----	2,500.00
Cedarville Mortgage No. 23 -----	2,000.00
Cedarville Mortgage No. 26 -----	1,000.00
Cedarville Mortgage No. 28 -----	1,000.00
24 shares C. N. & C. L. & T., Common -----	1,968.00
79 shares C. N. & C. L. & T., Preferred -----	5,605.00
20 shares Champion Fibre, Preferred -----	2,200.00



56 shares Pure Oil, 6%, Preferred-----	4,980.00
40 shares Pure Oil, 8%, Preferred-----	4,490.00
4 shares U. S. Print. & Lith., 2nd. Preferred-----	46.24
20 shares N. O. P. & L., Preferred-----	1,987.50
14 shares Goodyear T. & R., Preferred-----	1,162.50
12 shares U. S. Steel, Preferred-----	1,411.50
12 shares Globe Soap, First Preferred-----	1,365.00
28 shares Ohio Bell Telephone, Preferred-----	2,740.00
12 shares Cincinnati Gas & Electric-----	925.50
10 shares Barnhart Bros. & Spindler, 1st. Preferred-----	1,000.00
10 shares Endicott Johnson, Preferred-----	1,000.00
10 shares Milford Pink-Victoria White, Preferred-----	300.00
15 shares Beaver Board, Preferred-----	500.00
5 shares Abel Magnesia, Preferred-----	500.00
10 shares Cedarville Farmers' Grain, Preferred-----	1,000.00
10 shares Youngstown Sheet & Tube, Preferred-----	1,095.00
1 Bond Columbus Railway Co.-----	785.00
2 Bonds Ohio & Little Kanawha Ry. Co.-----	1,000.00
2 Bonds Brooklyn City Ry. Co.-----	1,000.00
5 Bonds Adams-Franklin-----	5,000.00
5 Bonds Champion Coated Paper Co.-----	5,075.00
2 Bonds Zane Hotel-----	2,000.00
2 Bonds Tudor Court Apartments-----	2,000.00
1 Bond Coronado-----	1,014.70
1 Bond Fashion Trades Building-----	998.65
5 Bonds Champion Fibre-----	5,012.50
2 Bonds Belvidere Apartments-----	2,000.00
6 Bonds E. Kahn's Sons Co.-----	6,060.00
5 Bonds Hatfield-Campbell Creek Coal Co.-----	5,000.00
6 Bonds Henry Clay Hotel (\$500)-----	3,014.62
5 Bonds Auditorium Hotel-----	5,000.00
C. C. Alumni Association Endowment Fund-----	3,048.05
Loan to C. C. Current Fund-----	4,200.00
Loan to C. C. Laboratory Fund-----	1,300.00
Certificates, Home B. & S. Co., Xenia, Ohio-----	11,500.00
Certificates, Peoples B. & S. Co., Xenia, Ohio-----	8,800.00
Cash in Bank-----	481.64
	\$211,566.40

Audited and found correct  
May 18, 1928.

S. A. DUNCAN.  
D. M. REID.  
Committee.

A communication was presented to the Synod from the World's Conference on Faith and Order. On resolution the Clerk was instructed to forward the Secretary, Ralph W. Brown copy of the Minutes of 1927 calling attention to the action of the Synod recorded on Page 14 of said Minutes.

It was voted that the names of W. H. Creswell, Walter Hiffe, and William Conley be added to the Board of Sustentation Fund.

The Secretary presented the report of the Home Mission Board.

## REPORT OF THE HOME MISSION BOARD

Report of the Home Mission Board to the General Synod of the Reformed Presbyterian Church of North America.

The Board of Home Missions met May 17, 1927, at Coulterville, Ill., and was called to order and opened by prayer by Rev. Thomas Whyte. In the absence of Dr. Savage, the Chairman, because of ill health which the board greatly regrets, Rev. Whyte was elected Chairman.

The minutes of the last meeting showed that the officers of the board were as follows: Dr. Savage, chairman; W. J. Imbrie, treasurer; and Rev. Paul Duncan, secretary.

On motion the reading of the minutes of the last meeting was dispensed with.

On motion the treasurer of the Home Mission board was instructed to reimburse Rev. Robert Stewart the sum of \$130 for two months Salary which he had paid to Miss Calla Turner for teaching. This motion had been passed last year but was overlooked.

On motion the Secretary was instructed to write Harlon Griffith and ask if he will sell the Home Mission  $\frac{1}{2}$  acre of land, on the ground the mission board wants to locate a parsonage.

Motion made owing to reported changed conditions, \$100 be granted Fairview congregation instead of \$300.

On motion it was decided to send Rev. R. W. Stewart to the Kentucky Mission to conduct communion services at the time convenient to him, and that his expenses be paid from the treasury of the Home Mission Board.

The following requests for financial aid were presented Presbyteries: Philadelphia, \$200; Pittsburgh, \$300; Western, \$250, which amount was to go to Clay Center. The board presented the above scale of appropriations for General Synod's approval with the exception of the request of the Pittsburgh which was set at \$100.

The report of Calla B. Turner was read. It was interesting and encouraging to all. On motion it was received, approved and ordered printed in the minutes of Synod.

## RECOMMENDATIONS

1. That a Pastor Superintendent be employed for a minimum salary of \$1200 and not to exceed \$1500 a year, with the privilege of a month's vacation.

2. That a teacher be employed for nine school months to conduct the primary grade at \$65 a month.

3. That a teacher be employed for two school months to finish up the month's school at the close of the year at \$65 a month.

4. That Mrs. Agnes M. Stewart be employed as a matron at \$65 a month for 12 calendar months.

5. If possible Calvin T. Weimer be employed as Minister for Ky. Mission.

6. That Synod's committee to supervise the work of the Turkey Creek Mission be Dr. W. R. McChesney and Prof. F. A. Jurkat.

7. That S. A. Duncan be chosen Treasurer of the Home Mission Board.

8. That a vote of thanks be given Dr. Alex. Savage and W. J. Imbrie for their many years of noble and faithful efficient service on the Home Mission Board.

9. That the Home Mission Board request General Synod to instruct the Western Presbytery to discontinue the Los Angeles Mission and dispose of the property and that Rev. Ramsey be financially aided from the disabled ministers' fund.

On motion these minutes were approved and the Secretary authorized to read them on the floor of General Synod.

The Board adjourned and prayer was offered by Dr. W. R. McChesney.

Respectfully submitted,

PAUL W. DUNCAN, Secretary.

New Board was organized by Rev. Paul Duncan; Rev. Thomas Whyte was chosen Chairman; S. A. Duncan, Treasurer; Rev. Paul Duncan, Secretary.

The Board adjourned with prayer by Rev. Thomas Whyte.

PAUL WARREN DUNCAN, Sec.

The report was received and the recommendations taken up *seriatim*.

Recommendations 1 to 9 were adopted successively.

The report was adopted as a whole.

#### REPORT OF ANATH HOME MISSION

Our school year began July 18, 1927 and ended March 30th., 1928. The workers were: Mrs. Agnes M. Stewart of Oskaloosa, Iowa, Miss Maude Howell, Berea, Ky., Mr. Ed Turner, Houston, Ky., and Calla B. Turner, Houston, Ky. Mrs. Stewart served as matron and received \$65 per calendar month and her salary began July 1st. Miss Howell was here for six months and received \$65 per school month. She was hired for seven months, but on account of her school work at Berea, it became necessary for her to have a substitute for the first month and Miss Evelyn D. Turner served as a substitute for the first month of school for Miss Howell and received a salary of \$65. Mr. Turner taught the full nine months and received a salary of \$65 per school month. Calla B. Turner taught the nine months but was paid by the county for seven months and by the church for the last two months. The church paid her \$65 per school month during the last two months of school. Calla B. Turner is caring for the property, etc., during the vacation months which will be April, May and June. School will open again in July.

Our enrollment for the school was seventy-three and the average attendance for the year was 86% of the enrollment. The Sabbath School attendance averaged about sixty-three for the year. We did not have preaching regularly. Mr. Stewart held communion for us the first of October, at which time there were added seven members to the church.

On the whole our year was very good, and we felt that God blessed our efforts abundantly. We held our Christian Endeavor meeting right after Sabbath School and our prayer meeting the last forty-five minutes of school on Wednesday afternoons. Both were well attended and very helpful to all of us. Both were supervised by the workers but in charge of the young people and it was gratifying to the workers the way the young people responded in prayer and also in their remarks on the topic.

There is no question in the mind of anyone who has worked here, but that the mission is badly needed in this Community. There are some splendid boys and girls here and if the mission were taken away their chances of development would be completely cut off so far as I am able to see. Of course, there are some who do not appreciate the work that is being done, but how many people appreciate the work Christ did here on earth? The lack of appreciation did not change his work nor plans and if we are his true followers it will not change ours.

We are chosen by Him to do His work and we cannot afford to allow man to interfere.

Personally I cannot see that the mission would be better off in the hands of another church. Our church has supported it well so far as I can see.

We should like to have a good high school teacher this year. There would be at least eight and maybe more, I believe, who would stay here for high school if we could have the first two years. If we have high school there should be four teachers, but if we do not have high school there are only three teachers needed. This, of course, includes the teacher that the county pays seven months and the teacher who superintends the mission work in general. Outside of the teachers there must be a matron. One of these teachers should be a minister if possible.

Last fall the board voted to allow \$200 for repairs inside of the school room. School was in session at that time and we felt it best to wait until school closed to use the \$200. If the church can furnish that \$200 and pay the workers for the coming year, I think the work can go nicely with the money we have in the treasury. We need to keep some money ahead to start on in the fall. Coal usually has to be paid for before very many gifts come in, and there are other needs.

It is and has been our prayer that God will send to this community for the coming year workers who are consecrated to His cause, and whose hearts are filled with love for these people.

We regret that we cannot have a representative at Synod, and we send our best wishes and you have our prayers that the meeting will be both pleasant and profitable for those who attend.

Respectfully submitted,

CALLA B. TURNER.

P. S. I wanted to say in this report that in order for our school to grow here, we need more land.

The report of the Board of the Disabled Ministers' Fund was presented. The report was adopted.

#### REPORT OF BOARD OF DISABLED MINISTERS' FUND

The Treasurer's Report shows the condition of the finances, and indicates that the two appropriations authorized by the General Synod last year have been paid by the Treasurer. The Board recommends that the General Synod authorize the Treasurer of the Disabled Ministers' Fund to pay to Rev. S. M. Ramsey during the coming year five hundred dollars (500) in consonance with the general purposes of the Fund.

ROBERT W. STEWART,  
Secretary.

May 19, 1928.

The Auditing Committee reported. The report was adopted.

#### REPORT OF THE AUDITING COMMITTEE

May 19, 1928.

The Auditing Committee reports that it has examined the accounts of the Treasurer of the Foreign Mission Board, the Treasurer of the

Home Mission Board, the Treasurer of Lamb Fund, the Treasurer of Cedarville College, the Treasurer of Disabled Ministers' Fund, the Treasurer of the Administration Fund, the Treasurer of Theological Seminary, the Treasurer of the Board of Church Extension, the report of the Publisher of the Advocate and the accounts of Mr. Benjamin Bair, Treasurer of the Board, Governing the Lamb Fund, and the Treasurer of the Sustentaion Fund, and found them correct.

S. A. DUNCAN,  
Committee.

It was voted that Albert Gregg be chosen to act in the place of Dr. Savage on the Board of Church Extension.

It was voted that S. A. Duncan take the place of Wm. Hawthorne and F. A. Jurkat take the place of Alex. Colville on the Board of Church Extension.

The Committee on Theological Seminary reported. The report was approved.

#### REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY.

To the General Synod of the Reformed Presbyterian Church, to meet in Coulterville, Ill., May 17, 1928.

Your Committee on Theological Seminary would report that it has reviewed the reports of the Professors in the Theological Seminary, the Superintendents, Board of Trustees of the Theological Seminary and Lamb Fund, and we would recommend that the requests made by the Superintendents in their recommendations be granted and that the Treasurer of the Board of Trustees of the Theological Seminary and Lamb Fund be requested to issue an order on the treasurer of the Boards for the payment of these amounts.

L. A. BENSON,  
R. W. STEWART,  
Committee.

Synod took a recess. Reconvened. The hour of 12 o'clock having arrived the Moderator called upon Rev. Paul W. Duncan to conclude with prayer.

Same place, May 19, 2 P. M.

Synod was called to order by the Moderator, who called upon L. A. Benson to constitute it with prayer.

The roll was called. Minutes of last session read and approved.

The Board of Church Extension reported. The report was approved.

#### BOARD OF CHURCH EXTENSION

Coulterville, Ill., May 19th., 1928.

The Board of Church Extension would respectfully report, nothing new came before us during the year.

The new Board elected are:

Rev. Thomas Whyte, President.

Rev. John Parks, Secretary.

Mr. D. M. Read, Treasurer.

Respectfully submitted,

JOHN PARKS, Secretary.

The Committee on Presbyterial Reports made its report. The report was approved.

### COMMITTEE ON PRESBYTERIAL REPORTS

Four Presbyteries have placed reports in our hands. Most of the work necessary has already been presented to Synod and acted upon.

One matter should receive attention. The Concord Church of the Western Presbytery has voted unanimously to dissolve, and presented the matter to Presbytery. The deed for the land upon which the church stands expressly states that when such land shall cease to be used for Church purposes, it shall revert to the heirs. The Court recorder desires to know if the General Synod is disposed to contest the reversion of the property as the will requires.

We recommend that the Synod grant its approval to dissolution of the congregation by Presbytery and agrees to the reversion of the land to the heirs.

This is our report.

L. A. BENSON,

A. E. GREGG,

Committee.

It was voted that since no report had been received from the Robert H. Young Estate, Mr. S. A. Duncan be requested to look into the matter and present it at the next Synod.

The Committee on Securities and Investments reported that they had nothing to report. Report approved.

Rev. Albert E. Gregg of the Pittsburgh Church invited Synod to hold its session of 1929 in that church.

The following resolution was adopted.

"That the kind invitation of Rev. Albert Gregg be accepted, and that when Synod adjourns, it be to meet in the First Reformed Presbyterian Church, Pittsburgh, Pa., on the third Wednesday of May, 1929 at 8 o'clock P. M., Daylight Saving Time; to be opened by a sermon by the retiring Moderator, Rev. R. W. Stewart, the Rev. F. A. Jurkat, L. L. D., to be his alternate."

It was voted that the thanks of General Synod be and hereby are tendered to the Rev. Robert W. Stewart, our Faithful and Efficient Moderator, for the courteous, dignified and impartial manner in which he has performed all the duties of his office.

It was voted that the thanks of General Synod be extended to the retiring Moderator, Rev. R. C. Mongomery, D. D., for the excellent sermon which he preached upon the opening of Synod, and that he be requested to furnish a copy of it for publication in the Advocate.

It was voted that the thanks of General Synod be given to the Stated Clerk and Assistant Clerk for the faithful, efficient and pleasant manner in which they have performed their duties,

and that the Treasurer of Synod be and hereby is authorized to pay the Stated Clerk \$50.00 and the Assistant Clerk \$25.00, and to the Janitor, Mr. Douglas Gallagher, who looked after the comfort of the Synod while in session, \$20.00.

It was voted that the thanks of General Synod be extended to Rev. R. W. Chesnut, Ph. D., for the service which he is rendering in connection with publishing the Advocate.

It was voted that the thanks of General Synod be extended to the Pastor and the people of the Coulterville congregation for the fine courtesy and splendid hospitality extended to the members of Synod during the entire session.

It was voted that the Minutes of Synod be published and that the Treasurer of the Administration be and hereby is authorized to pay the expenses, and that 100 extra copies be published, and that the Treasurer of the Board of Church Extension be and hereby is authorized to pay for the 100 copies.

The following resolution was adopted:

"Resolved, That this General Synod has felt the absence of Rev. Alexander Savage, D. D., and regrets the loss of his fellowship and counsel. The Synod desires that he should know how interested they are in his welfare. We commend him to the care of the covenant keeping God.

Resolved that the Clerk of Synod send Dr. Savage a copy of the above."

It was so ordered.

A motion to adjourn was made and seconded; while pending the minutes of the present session were read and approved. Synod then adjourned. Rev. W. R. McChesney, D. D., led in the adjourning prayer. Synod joined in singing the 133rd Psalm. The Benediction was pronounced by Rev. R. W. Stewart, Moderator.

Moderator, Robert W. Stewart.

Stated Clerk, L. A. Benson.

Assistant Clerk, R. W. Chesnut.

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