SIXTIETH MEETING GENERAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE.

Battle Creek, Mich., March 10, 1898.

A meeting of the General Conference Committee was called at 10:15 A.M., March 10, for a brief council to consider the propriety of filling vacancy on the Auditing Committee caused by the absence of C.H.Jones.

Prayer by Elder R.A.Underwood. Members present: G.A.Irwin, R.A.Underwood, R.M.Kilgore, N.W.Kauble, I.H.Evans, N.W.Allee, and J.H.Morrison.

 Voted unanimously to go ahead with the auditing without supplying the vacancy.

Committee adjourned to take up the work of the Auditing Committee.

G.A. IRWIN, Chairman. NOM!

L.A.HOOPES, Secretary.

SIXTY-FIRST MEETING GENERAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE.

Battle Creek, Mich., March 12, 1898.

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The Committee met at the residence of Elder G.A.Irwin, 6:30 p.m., March 12, 1898. President in the chair. Prayer by Elder A.J.Breed.

Members present: Irwin, Breed, Moon, Allee, Underwood, Kilgore, Kauble, Morrison, Jones, and Evans.

The Chairman called upon the Secretary to read a list of items of business which have been suggested by the members of the Committee.

After a few general remarks respecting the general work before this council, it was moved by Kilgore and seconded by Allee, that the chairman appoint the usual committees; it was thought that committees on Distribution of Labor, on Camp-meetings, Education, and Organization would suffice. Motion prevailed.

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COMMITTEE ON DISTRIBUTION OF LABOR, Allen Moon, N.W.Kauble, A.J.Breed.

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COMMITTEE ON CAMP-MEETINGS, AND HELP FOR THE SAME, A.J.Breed, R.A.Underwood.

COMMITTEE ON EDUCATIONAL MATTERS, I.H.Evans, A.T.Jones, J.H.Morrison.

COMMITTEE ON ORGANIZATION, R.M.Kilgore, N.W.Allee.

Elder Kauble desired to call the attention of the Committee to his own work after the close of Union College in June. If he was to remain connected with the school, he very much desired the opportunity to work in lines, which, to his judgment, would be more directly connected with the school than to be tied down to the work of the District. However, he wished the Committee to be free in their expression of what they think his work should be. He was ready to remain connected with the school, or to take up the District work, or whatever they chose. As this question was informal, there was no definite action taken at this time.

The next question considered was, Where should the Sabbathschool donations go after June 30, 1898?

Before a motion was made to cover this question, Elder Moon made a few remarks. He considered it one of the important questions under consideration. It the present rate the donations for the support of the foreign mission work are entirely too small; and until the last six months the Sabbath-school contributions have all been for the opening up of new fields, and have not helped in the immediate wants. He stated that the donations that have been contributed even for these new fields, have been held until the end of the time specified, and proved a very little benefit to the Foreign Mission Board; and when they did come, they were compelled to open up these new fields, whether they were prepared to do so or not.

Elder Moon then spoke of the annual offerings, which were too small. He felt that the great lack was that we have no system to work up the foreign mission funds; that under the present circumstances they should not think of opening up new fields until they have more funds. The work of the Board should be to strengthen the enterprises already started. In speaking of the opeings in various places, he said they were far in advance of our funds. He thought that the Sabbath-school donations should go to build up the present operations.

It was therefore moved and seconded that the Sabbat-school donations for the remainder of the year 1898 should be devoted to the use of the Foreign Mission Board, to strengthen enterprises already established. Carried.

Several members spoke to the question of having a man to act as President of the International Sabbath-school Association who could devote more time to the Sabbath-school work in the field. It was thought that this would serve to increase the funds of the Association, and thereby contribute more to the Foreign Mission Board. Elder Moon replied that he thought a central location would be better; that it would be just as much one side to have it at Philadelphia, as it is at Oakland. Some point centrally located, as Lincoln, or Chicago, was suggested.

The following preambles and resolution were adopted:

"Whereas, The Foreign Mission Board is very much in need of funds; and, ---

"Whereas, Some of the churches are already paying their tithes monthly, and, in turn, their State treasurers remit monthly to the General Conference treasury; therefore,---

"It is the sense of this body, That all our Sabbath-schools, churches, and Conferences be recommended to follow the same plan; and, further, that the First-day offerings be remitted monthly to the Foreign Mission Board; and that the International Sabbath-school Associati on Treasurer be asked to remit monthly to the Foreign Mission Board."

Committee adjourned to call of chair.

G.A.IRWIN, Chairman.

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L.A.HOOPES, Secretary.

SIXTY-SECOND MEETING GENERAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE.

Battle Creek, Mich., March 14, 1898.

The Committee met at the residence of Elder G.A. Irwin, corner Howland and Manchester Streets, Battle Creek, Mich., March 14, 1898, 7 p.m. Prayer by Elder A.T. Jones.

Members present: Irwin, Breed, Moon, Allee, Kilgore, Jones, Underwood, Kauble, Evans, and by invitation, A.G.Adams.

Minutes of last meeting read and approved.

The Chairman called up the case of W.S.Hyatt. When shall he leave here, and who shall take his place in the Battle Creek church?

Moved by Elder Moon and seconded by Elder Kilgore, that Elder Hyatt be released from his charge in the Battle Creek church the first of April, to go to his field in South Africa. Carried. Moved by Elder Jones and seconded by Elder Allee, That Elder N.P.Nelson, of the Dakota Conference, be recommended to take the presidency of the Nebraska Conference, made vacant by the removal of Elder H.E.Robinson. Carried.

The question of the Arkansas Conference was considered for anhile. It seemed clear to all present that there should be some assistance rendered to that Conference by the General Conference. The name of Elder Watson Ziegler, of Colorado, was mentioned as a man that they thought would be well as President in Arkansas.

Moved by Elder Underwood and seconded by Elder Kilgore, that Elder Watson Ziegler go to Arkansas to take the presidency of that Conference, provided Elder Holbrook resigns; and that the General Conference support a man there for one year. Carried unanimously.

Moved and seconded that Elder R.S.Donnell be recommended to take the presidency of the Dakota Conference. Carried unanimously.

In the foregoing motions there were four things that were taken into consideration: 1, the need of the call; 2, the fitness of the men for the places to which they were called; 3, the instruction that has been given along the **line of not** retaining men in one field a great number of years; and 4, the health of the individuals concerned.

Committee adjourned to call of the chair.

G.A.IRWIN, Chairman.

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L.A.HOOPES, Secretary.

SIXTY-THIRD MEETING GENERAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE.

Battle Creek, Mich., March 18, 1898.

The Committee met in the Committee room at 2:30 p.m., the President being in the chair.

All members present, excepting Elder Morrison. The brethren from abroad were present by invitation.

Mrs.S.M.I.Henry came before the Committee, to lay before them the work she has felt called upon to do. It is correspondence with all the leading W.C.T.U. workers in the United States. She read a number of letters which she had received, which indicate that her work is of no ordinary character, but is leading out on the principles of religious liberty. There seems to be a widespread interest among this leading class of the women of America to learn more about the true Sabbathobservance, and questions of religious liberty. She read a number of letters from our sisters in different parts of the country, who have been in correspondence with the W.C.T.U.Workers in their various States. In almost every case our sisters are brought into prominence Before these women, and have opportunities to present the principal points of our faith.

Sister Henry felt that she needed to have something from the General Conference that would place her and her work properly before the denomination; and it was therefore---

Voted, That a Committee of three be appointed to place in her hands such things as will suitably introduce her to our people.

The Chair appointed as said committee Elders A.T.Jones, Wm. Covert, and S.H.Lane.

Adjourned to Sunday, March 20, 8 a.m.

G.A.IRWIN, Chairman.

L.A.HOOPES, Secretary.

SIXTY-FOURTH MEETING GENERAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE.

Battle Creek, Mich., March 20, 1898.

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The Committee met in Elder Irwin's room at 8 a.m. President in the chair. Prayer by Elder Jones.

Members present: Irwin, Jones, Moon, Allee, Evans, Kilgore, Breed, Underwood, and Morrison.

By invitation, the editors of the CHRISTIAN EDUCATOR and the YOUTH'S INSTRUCTOR, and A.J.Bourdeau, of the Department of Circulation, met with the Committee, to lay before them some items relative to the future policy of the two journals mentioned. They felt that the editors were carrying on a work that was much the same in general character. The one was for teachers and grown-up people, while the other, the YOUTH'S INSTRUCTOR, was especially for the youth and for the home. It was the opinion of the editors that the CHRISTIAN EDUCATOR should be enlarged to a thirty-two-paged journal, with a cover similar to the YOUTH'S INSTRUCTOR. They thought by doing this, and putting the price of the paper at fifty cents, and having a field man to work in the interests of both papers, it would be better in various ways. After listening to their presentation of the matter, the Committee, by common consent, rather looked with favor upon the plan; but preferred that they should prepare a resolution, and have it discussed in the meeting of the Publishing Association.

The Committee took a recess until 10 a.m., when the meeting was called again.

Members present: Irwin, Jones, Moon, Underwood, Kilgore, Allee, Breed, and Evans.

The first item of business was pertaining to the supplying of a man to take the office work in the editorial management of the PRESENT TRUTH, in London. Dr. Waggoner expressed his desire to continue his medical studies, and to spend more time in the field. Elder G.C.Tenney was thought to be the most suitable man to take the place on PRESENT TRUTH

Moved by Moon and seconded by Underwood, that Elder G.C.Tenney be recommended to take the place of assistant editor of PRESENT TRUTH. Motion prevailed.

The question of supplying Elder Tenney's place at the Sanitarium should be considered; also the propriety of asking Dr. Waggoner to take that place; if so, then a man should be found to take his place in the London office. Voted to refer the whole question to the Committee on Distribution of Labor.

Voted to adjourned to 2:30 p.m.

G.A.IRWIN, Chairman.

L.A.HOOPES, Secretary.

SIXTY-FIFTH MEETING GENERAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE.

Battle Creek, Mich., March 20, 1898.

Committee met at 2:30 P.M. President in the chair. Prayer by Elders Breed and Irwin. Minutes of last two meetings read and approved.

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The chairman of the Committee on Distribution of Labor reported the following: ---

"That Professor H.W.Owen and wife, of Battle Creek College, be recommended to the Foreign Mission Board, to take charge of school work at Bonacca, Bay Islands."

Moved by Underwood and seconded by Evans, that the recommendation be accepted. Carried.

Moved by Evans and seconded by Underwood, that Elder J.O.Corliss be recommended to go to quebec to assist Elder Eugene Leland in the Conference work until next General Conference, unless called off by the chief executive of the General Conference Committee. Carried.

Moved by Underwood and seconded by Breed, that Elder 0.0.Farns-worth be recommended to go to Vermont to assist Elder K.C.Russell, under the pay of the General Conference, until next General Conference, unless called off by the chlef executive of the General Conference Committee. Carried.

The Committee on Organization submitted the following report: ---

"REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON ORGANIZATION.

After ascertaining information from Elders Irwin and Breed. "] we recommend that the organization of the Montana mission field into a Conference be deferred until a time when there is a camp-meeting held for that field. or some other meeting held, in which they may be a general attendance of the constituency of the field.

"Whereas, Our schools occupy a leading place in the denomination for the education of workers and the promulgation of the third angel's message; and, ----

"Whereas, One school should not be shown preference above another because of advantages, financially, numerically, or by being in close proximity to other institutions; and,---

"Whereas, There is need that there be uniformity of action in all the schools, so far as the principles which underlie the school work are concerned; and in order that one school should not seek to cast the mold for the entire school work of the denomination, and to better define the relations that should exist between the various schools and the General Conference; therefore----

"2. Resolved, That the General Conference Committee, being the executive body of the demomination, should have the general watchcare over the schools, the same as over every other instutution, to see that each is meeting the aim for which it was established.

"Whereas, The organization of a Union Conference is soon to be effected on the continent of Europe; and, ---

"Whereas, Large debts are already encumbering the work in that field, and demand investigation, wise and careful darection, ---

"3. We recommend, That the President of the General Conference Association attend the organization of the European Union Conference, a as a representative from this body; also that the President of the Foreign Mission Board represent that body.

"We also recommend the adoption of the following: ----

"4. That L. Dyo Chambers occupy the General Conference endowed bed at the Sanitarium.

"5. That the nequest of the District Conference held at Graysville, Tenn., in November, last, that the name of the Graysville Academy be changed to the SOUTHERN INDUSTRIAL SCHOOL, be granted.

"6.

That the fiscal year be changed so as to begin January 1. That minutes of District Conferences be furnished the "7. Secretary of the General Conference.

"8. . That Wisconsin Conference be transferred from General Conference District No. 4 to District No. 3.

Respectfully submitted,

R.M.Kilgore, N.W.Allee, Committee."

Moved by Elder Moon that we adopt the report item by item.

The Secretary read the first item. Elder Evans moved to substitute the following:---

"That we favor the organization of the Montana mission field into a Conference; and that arrangements for time, place, and laborers to assist in organization, mbe referred to the District Superintendent."

Carried.

Voted to adjourn until 7:30 Monday, March 21.

G.A.IRWIN, Chairman.

L.A.HOOPES, Secretary.

SIXTY-SIXTH MEETING GENERAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE.

Battle Creek, Mich., March 21, 1898.

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The Committee met in Elder Irwin's room at 8 a.m. Members present: Irwin, Morrison, Breed, Kilgore, Evans, Allee, Jones, Moon, Underwood.

The Chairman urged the importance of the Committee's spending more time in prayer and seeking God, and less in discussion. Frequently we wander from the subject, and bring in a lot of side issues that have no special bearing upon the subject in question. The entire Committee joined in a season of earnest prayer for fully three quarters of an hour, after which the minutes were read, corrected, and approved.

Committee adjourned until 7 p.m.

G.A.IRWIN, Chairman.

L.A.HOOPES, Secretary.

SIXTY-SEVENTH MEETING GENERAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE.

Battle Creek, Mich., March 21, 1898.

Committee met at the residence of Elder Irwin 7 p.m. Prayer by Elder Underwood. Members present: Irwin, Breed, Kilgore, Evans, Underwood, Jones, Moon, Allee. Minutes read and approved.

The first item of business was the consideration of the report of the Committee on Organization. Resolution 2, relative to our wchool work, was considered. After considerable discussion, the Committee voted to change the preambles and resolution to read as follows:---

"Whereas, Our schools occupy a leading place in the denomination for the education of workers and the promulgation of the third angel's message; and,---

"Whereas, The relationship that should exist between schools should be better defined; and,----

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"c. That there be uniformity of action in all the schools, so far as the principles which underlie the school work are concerned."

Resolution 3 was spoken to by all members of the Committee. As the time for the meeting, July 15, was so far in the future, it was thought best to suspend action on the resolution until more developments.

In the consideration of resolution 4 the following substitute was adopted: ---

"That we continue the endowed bed at the Sanitarium, and that the District Superintendents work the matter up in their several districts, and that frequent calls be made florough the REVIEW AND HERALD; also that receipts be published in the REVIEW from time to time; and, further, that the chairman and secretary have charge of the bed, to decide who should occupy it."

Resolutions 5 to 8 were carried without discussion.

Committee adjourned to call of the chair.

G.A. IRWIN, Chairman.

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Resolutions 5 to 8 were carried without discussion.

Committee adjourned to call of the chair.

G.A. IRWIN, Chairman.

L.A.HOOPES, Secretary.

SIXTY-EIGHTH MEETING GENERAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE.

Battle Creek, Mich., March 25, 1898.

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A joint meeting of the General Conference Committee and the Foreign Mission Board was called to meet in the President's office at 2:30 p.m. Elder Irwin in the chair. Prayer by Elder Hoopes.

Members present: Irwin, Moon, Breed, Kilgore, Allee, T.A.Kilgore, W.H.Edwards, W.S.Hyatt, A.T.Jones, and I.H.Evans.

The first item of business was pertaining to the recommendation for Elder Tenney. It was to request that the recommendation be made to read to take the place made vacant by Elder Spicer's going to India." So changed by common consent.

Moved and supported, that Mrs.P.M.Walter be recommended to connext with the religious liberty work, under pay of the General Conference. at the rate of \$9.00 per week. Carried.

The Committee on Distribution of Labor submitted the following report: ---

"1. We recommend that Brother Charles Nelson, of Utah, be gr anted missionary license; and be recommended to labor under the supervision of the director of that mission field.

"3. Because of the sickness in Elder W.B.White's family, we recommend him to take the place in the Upper Columbia Conference made vamant by the removal of Elder R.S.Donnell.

"3. We further recommend that Elder A.E.Place, of New York, take the place in Indiana made vacant by the removal of Elder W.B.White.

[4. We endorse the action of the District Conference of General Conference District No. 4, in recommending Elder G.F.Watson, of Dakota, to make Colorado his field of labor.

"5. On account of the health of Elder J.E.Jayne, we recommend him to make Montana his field of labor.

"6. We recommend Elder L.T.Nicola to take the place of Secretary of the Foreign Mission Board, made wacant because of the sickness of Elder J.E.Jayne.

"7. We recommend Mattie E. Johnson, of the North Pacific Conference, to engage in Bible work in Montana.

"8. That W.H.Spear, of Michigan, go to New York City, to assist Brother J.L.Johnson in the New York harbor work."

Without a motion to accept the report, the Committee proceeded to consider items that seemed to demand immediate attention.

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Recommendation 5 was changed to read as follows: "We recommend that Elder J.E.Jayne take a vacation to regain his health, with a view to taking another field." Carried.

Recommendation 1 was next considered. After some discussion, it was warried.

On motion, it was voted to grant missionary credentials to Professor H.A.Owen and Mrs. Nellie Owen.

Recommendations 4, 7, and 8 were carried without discussion.

Feeling that it was necessary to take more time to consider the other recommendations, the Committee adjourned to the call of the chair.

H.A.IRWIN, Chairman. 1.180

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SIXTY-NINTH MEETING GENERAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE.

Battle Creek, Mich., March 27, 1898.

The General Conference Committee was called at 6:30 p.m., in the President's office. Members present: Elders Irwin, Moon, Kilgore, Jones, Underwood, Allee, Breed, and Evans. Prayer by Elder Jones.

The question of supplying a president for Walla Walla College was first considered. It was thought by the Committee that, inasmuch as Elder G.C.Tenney is called away from the Sanitarium, to take a position on PRESENT TRUTH, Elder E.J.Hibbard, of Walla Walla College, would make a valuable man to connect with the Sanitarium here, in case he could be taken away from Walla Walla.

It was moved by Underwood and seconded by Jones, that, if agreeable to the Battle Creek Sanitarium, Elder E.J.Hibbard be recommended to take up the Bible work in the Sanitarium. Carried.

By request of Elder W.B.White, his case was considered. The following motion was submitted: In view of the failing health of Mrs. Nettie G. White, it was moved and supported, that Elder W.B.White, of Indiana, be recommended to connect with the Colorado Conference.

Pending the discussion of this motion, the Committee adjourned to Monday, 2:30 p.m., when a joint meeting of the General Conference Committee and the Foreign Mission Board would be held.

> G.A.IRWIN, Chairman.

L.A.HOOPES, Secretary.

SEVENTIETH MEETING GENERAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE.

Battle Creek, Mich., March 29, 1898.

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A joint meeting of the General Conference Committee and the Foreign Mission Board was called at 8 a.m., in the President's room, to consider matters pertaining to the foreign mission work.

After the usual opening exercises, it wasvoted to recommend Henry L. Peterson to help Brother F.J. Hutchins in the Bay Islands.

Moved and supported that Elder J.O.Johnston, of Rome, Ga., be invited to make Trinidad Island his field of labor, in company with Elder E.W.Webster. Carried.

Moved by Moon and seconded by Underwood, that we recommend Elder E.L.Fortner, of Kansas, to connect with Elder D.U.Hale, in British Guiana. Carried.

Moved by Moon and seconded by Lane, that we recommend J.H.Paap, of California, to go to Honolulu, to assist Brother W.E.Howell in the Chinese school. Carried.

A motion was made to recommend Elder A.E.Place, of New York, to go to Honolulu, to take charge of the work in that mission field. It was voted to substitute the name of Baxter Howe, of California, for the name of A.E.Place, to take the overwight of the work in that field.

Moved by Underwood, that George F. Enoch, of the North Pacific Conference, be invited to take up school work in the island of Jamaica. Carried.

Moved by Hyatt and seconded by Underwood, that Elder C.H.Parker and wife, of Minnesota, be recommended to go to Fiji, and that she be granted missionary credentials. Carried.

Moved by Underwood and seconded by several, that we ask Professor B.G.Wilkinson, of Battle Creek College, to take the secretaryship of t the Foreign Mission Board, also the editorship of the MISSIONARY MAGAzine, made vacant by the failing health of Elder J.E.Jayne. Carried.

The President of the Foreign Mission Board presented a request that was made by the Australasian Union Conference, that Frank Lyndon, of Graysville Academy (The Southern Industrial School), be recommended to go to Australia to connect with the school work. It was voted that the request be granted.

Moved by Underwood and seconded by Kilgore, that H.F.Ketring and wife, of the Kansas Conference, be recommended to go to South Africa, and that she be granted missionary credentials. Carried. The President of the Foreign Mission Board also brought up the mather of supplying an editor for the South African paper. A motion prevailed that the President of the General Conference and of the Foreign Mission Board be a committee to investigate the matter of editor for the South African paper, and make such a recommendation as thought proper. They were to interview Mahlon E. Olsen, and see if he is willing to go to South Africa as asked by cablegram last summer.

Another question relative to the disposition of the income from Sister White's articles for the REVIEW, SIGNS, and INSTRUCTOR, was raised. It was voted to pay the income from Sister White's articles in the above-named papers, to the board or Committee that pays the salary.

Another question raised by some members of the Foreign Mission Board was relative to that Board sustaining the loss on the BIBLE ECHO. Several spoke to this question, and expressed themselves as favoring the idea that every publishing house stand on its own merits.

It was moved by Moon and supported by Underwood, that we decline as a Foreign Mission Board to honor the bill for the loss on the BIBLE ECHO.

Meeting adjourned till 7:30 p.m.

G.A.IRWIN, Chairman.

L.A.HOOPES, Secretary.

SEVENTY-FIRST MEETING GENERAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE.

Battle Creek, Mich., March 29, 1898.

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A joint meeting of the General Conference Committee and the Foreign Mission Board was held at the residence of Elder G.A.Irwin, March 29, 7:30 p.m. Prayer by Elder R.M.Kilgore. Present: Irwin, Moon, Jones, Breed, Allee, Underwood, Evans, Hyatt, Lane, and W.B.White by request. Minutes of meeting held at 8 a.m. read and approved.

Elder Lane called the attention of the Committee to the fact that Sister Fortner is rather fleshy, or corpulent, and from what was said in the morning meeting, he thought the influence of the climate upon persons of her build, should be laid before her previous to her going to British Guiana.

Elder W.B.White came before the Committee, and desired to have a recommendation concerning his future labors. It was voted to recommend him to make Arizona his field of labor, providing the doctors think it is the best thing for his wife's health. This motion nullifies the one in the meeting of March 27, where it was "moved and supported that Elder W.B.White, of Indiana, be recommended to connect with the Colorado Conference. " Elder Moon brought up the question of medical supplies for Dr. M.G.Kellogg. He wished the Committee to advise what the foreign Mission Board should do in such matters. Several suggestions were made relative to this matter, and after some discussion, it was voted that the following-named committee,-Elders Moon, Evans, and Jones,--should frame a resolution covering these points, and submit to a joint meeting of the General Conference Committee and the Foreign Mission Board.

Adjourned till 9 a.m., March 30, 1898.

G.A.IRWIN, Chairman.

L.A.HOOPES, Secretary.

SEVENTY-SECOND MEETING GENERAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE.

Battle Creek, Mich., March 30, 1898.

A joint meeting of the General Conference Committee and the Foreign Mission Board was held March 30, 1898, at 9 a.m. Elder Irwin in the chair. Prayer by Elders Morrison and Evans. Present: Irwin, Moon, Breed, Morrison, Kilgore, Allee, **Evans**, Underwood, and Hyatt.

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Minutes of meetings held March 20, 21, 25, 27, and 29 read and approved, with the following correction: Moved by Evans and seconded by Underwood, that the name of William Simpson, of Canada, be substituted for that of W.H.Spear in recommendation 8 in meeting of March 25. Cárried.

Moved by Moon to recommend Brother E.S.Butz, of Fiji, to return to America; that we pay his transportation, and after that we assume no further responsibility in the matter. Carried.

Moved by Evans, that the case of Brother J.C.Whatley, of Pitcairn Island, be referred to the Executive Committee of the Foreign Mission Board. Carried.

Voted to leave matter of teachers for Brazil and Chile, with the Executive Committee of the Foreign Mission Board.

Voted to comply with the request of South Africa, to recommend Miss Carrie Tupper and Miss E. Hiva Starr to go to that Conference.

Moved and seconded, that Elder W.S.Hyatt be recommended to make a visit to the Matabele mission, and report the condition of things, and state what he deems the best methods of carrying on the evangelistic work. The discussion that followed rather indicated that it was the mind of the Committee that Elder Hyatt go as soon as convenient, and report by the time of the next General Conference. Motion prevailed. Moved by Evans and seconded by Underwood, that we endorse the envelope plan for collecting foreign mission offerings, as suggested by the Foreign Mission Board. This question had previously been discussed at a general meeting where a number of Conference Presidents were present. Motion prevailed.

Moved to adjourn to give away to a meeting of the International Religious Liberty Association, at 11 o'clock.

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Meeting called again at 12 m. President in the chair.

Elder Moon presented the request from South America for a general meeting in some place in that country. No member of the Foreign Mission Board has ever visited that field.

Moved and supported that such a meeting he held.

On motion it was voted that the Executive Committee of the Foreign Mission Board proceed to find a man to superintend the Matabele mission field who is both a minister and a physician.

Meeting adjourned until 2:30 Pp.m.

G.A. IRWIN, Chairman. L.A. HOOPES, Secretary.

SEVENTH-THIRD MEETING GENERAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE.

Battle Creek, Mich., March 30, 1898.

A joint meeting of the General Conference fCommittee and the Foreign Mission Board was held in Elder Irwin's office, at 2:30 p.m. Elder Irwin in the chair. After prayer, the minutes were read and approved. Present: Irwin, Moon, Breed, Underwood, Kilgore, Allee, Evans, and Lane.

The first matter considered was the Guadalajara mission. The brethren did not see their way clear to recommend anything definite at present.

The question of a Secretary for the Foreign Mission Board seemed foremost in the minds of all.

Moved by Kilgore and seconded by Breed, that we request the College Board to release Professor B.G.Wilkinson to take the secretaryship of the Foreign Mission Board. Carried.

It was voted to refer the matter of a representative from this body to attend the organization of the European Union Conference, to the Executive Committee of the Foreign Mission Board. The joint meeting of the Committee and Board gave way to a meeting of the General Conference Committee, 3:15 p.m.

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President Irwin in the chair. Present: Irwin, Moon, Kilgore, Breed, Evans, Underwood, Allee, and by invitation Elders W.S.Hyatt and S.H.Lane.

The Committee on Camp-meetings and Laborers for the same, submitted the following report: ---

"Your Committee on Camp-meetings would respectfully submit the following: ---

TIME FOR MEETINGS.

DISTRICT NO. 1.	DISTRICT NO. 4.
Quebec, June 1 6	Iowa, May 26 to June 5
Pennsylvania, " 212	South Dakota, June 2127
New England, " 919	North Dakota, " 7213
Atlantic, "23 to July 3	Manitoba, June 30 toJuly 8
DISTRICT NO. 2.	DISTRICT NO. 5.
Alabama, June 24 to July 3	
Mississippi, July 612	Arkansas, August 414
Louisiana, " 13-20	Missouri," 11-22
Georgia, " 22-31	Colorado," 25 to Sept. 5
N.Carolina, August 5-14	Kansas, Sept. 818
Cumb. Mission, " 19-28	Oklahoma, " 22 to Oct. 2
Tenn. Riv. Conf. , "26-Sept.4	
Florida,	DISTRICT NO. 6.
	Cal., central, May 515
DISTRICT NO. 3.	Upper Col., " 12-22
Wisconsin,June 713	North Pac., " 19-29
Ohio, August 11-21	Cal., State, - June 212
Michigan, " 1828	Cal., northern, June 23 to July 3
Indiana, Sept. 111	Cal., southern, July 21 31.
Illinois [August 25-Sept. 4]	

"We recommend that arrangements for laborers for the camp-meetings be left with the President of the General Conference, the Superintendents of the several District, and the Presidents of the State Conferences.

A.J.Breed, R.A.Underwood, Committee."

Elder Underwood wished to supplement the report by urging that the foreign mission work be represented at our various camp-meetings. Elder Evans was fearful that our camp-meetings were being killed by

specialists. Elder S.H:Lane was of the same opinion. He thought that our camp-meetings should be places where the solid points of our faith are presented. They should be a school of the third angel's message. He said there are no general meetings that give a mold to the work of the entire Conference so much as these annual gatherings. Elder Breed expressed the same thing.

Elder Underwood moved, and Elder Evans seconded, the adoption of the report of the Committee. Carried.

Moved and supported that more time be granted at each campmeeting in the interests of the foreign mission work, as its importance demands. Carried.

Elder Moon spoke to this motion, and expressed the thought that the thing that is needed is a thorough course of instruction to be given that will educate the people up to sense the importance of foreign mission work, and the necessity of our people everywhere contributing regularly and systematically to the support of foreign mission work. Evans and Underwood expressed the same thing. Elders Irwin and Hyatt were of the opinion that our general workers have been just a little bit timid in presenting the wants of the cause to our various Conferences. They felt that the brethren were ready to respond when they understand the situation. Elders Underwood and Kilgore thought it would be a good thing if our camp-meetings could have the labors of such men as Dr. Paulson.

The Committee on Organization made a further supplementary report, as follows:---

"Whereas, There are a number of churches in the Province of Ontario east of that portion occupied by the Michigan Conference; and,---

"Whereas, Bt is our judgment that the Michigan Conference ean work the territory better than the Quebec Conference; therefore,---if agreeable to the Michigan and the Quebec Conferences,---

"We request, That all of Ontario Province as far east as and including the counties of Lanark and Leeds be set off to the Michigan Conference, and be included in General Conference District No. 3.

"We would further recommend, That the General Conference open up a mission in Tampa, Florida, for the Cubans, under the direction and support of the General Conference."

[Signed]

R.M.Kilgore, N.W.Allee, Committee."

The recommendation pertaining to the disposition of the eastern part of the Province of Ontario, was adopted. The recommendation pertaining to the establishment of a Cuban mission was discussed at some length. It was---

Voted, That, while we look with favor upon the plan, yet, owing to lack **of funds** to carry forward such a mission, we do not see our way clear to open it at present.

The Secretary called up the question of ministerial license for Mrs.S.M.I.Henry. Several remarked that it was their judgment that she should receive a ministerial license, which would be more in keeping with her line of work. A motion prevailed to grant her such recognition from the General Conference.

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The following recommendation **wegard**ing our schools was adopted:--- $^{\vee}$

"In view of the financial condition of our schools, it is the sense of this Committee that we recommend the Conferences and mission fields in each school district, as far as they are able, to employ one or more teachers, to be placed on the pay-roll of the Conference, whose accounts shall be audited by the auditing committee of the respective Conferences by which the teachers are employed; and when this does not supply teachers enough to carry on school work, that more normal work be done, and advanced students be requested to take part work to supply the deficiency."

The next question that received attention was that of providing ι a home for superannuated and worn out ministers.

Elder Evans moved, and Morrison Seconded, That, in view of the fact that the General Conference has no provision to take care of superannuated and worn out laborers, the General Conference take steps to investigate the propriety of at once locating a home on the General Conference farm in Fairfax County, Virginia. Carried.

Elder Evans suggested that we clear up some of the land, and build cottages, and lay out the farm into small tracts, so that the brethren who are located there can be somewhat independent of each other. He thought that the land should be cleared up at once. Some notices should be put into the REVIEW.

Elder Underwood brought up the case of Elder V.H.Lucas. A committee of three was appointed to draft a resolution embodying the sentiments of the Committee in this matter. The chair named as said committee, Elders Evans, Underwood, and Hoopes.

Elder Allee presented the matter of the Graysville school, which was referred to this Committee by the General Conference Association. It was concerning an obligation which Professor Lawrence has to meet in the early part of April.

Elder Evans moved, that the chair be instructed to send him the amount requested to meet the obligation, and charge the same to the Graysville appropriation. Carried.

Committee adjourned until 8 a.m., March 31, 1898. G.A.IRWIN, Chairman.

L.A.HOOPES, Secretary.

SEVENTH-FOURTH MEETING GENERAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE.

Battl e Creek, Mich., March 31, 1898.

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The Committee met at 8 a.m., in the President's office. Elder Irwin in the chair. Prayer by Hoopes. Present: Irwin, Moon, Breed, Underwood, Allee, Kilgore, Evans, and Morrison.

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Professor E.A. Sutherland came in by request, to present the situation of Professor Wilkenson's going away, as it appears from the standpoint of the College work. He thought that care should be exercised not to rob the school of proficient men who are in full harmony with the school work as outlined in recent Testimonies. He had no objection to Professor Wilkinson's connecting with the Foreign Mission Board, but did not see how he could spare him from the school. He would not be stubborn in the matter.

Professor Wilkinson was called in to speak for himself. He said he saw no reason why he should refuse the call of this body. He did not want his words to bias any one in the question. He looked upon the foreign missions as the outlet of the work for all our students who are fitting themselves for work in the Master's vineyard, and thought all these institutions are simply a means to this end.

Professor Sutherland desired to have the General Conference supply another man if Wilkinson was taken away.

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Moved by Evans, that Professor Wilkinson remain in the school until the close of the school year; then connect with the Foreign Mission Board as Secretary. Carried.

At this juncture the President of the Foreign Mission Board read a letter from Elder J.D.Jayne, in which he expressed himself as being very grateful for the kindly consideration of the Committee in his case, but felt very reluctant to give up the work. However, he felt that he would be free to do anything that would give the greatest liberty on the part of the Board in supplying itself with efficient help.

A motion then prevailed that the Foreign Mission Board do the best they can to supply what help they need in the office.

In view of this, Elder Moon wanted the Committee to supply a competent stenographer at once.

The Committee proceeded to take up the regular schedule, where, under the heading of Finances, the following question is presented: "Shall the General Conference call for special donations to meet the appropriations made at the last General Conference?"

Moved by Underwood and seconded by Allee, that July 2 and 3 be set apart for special days of consecration and seeking God; and, further, that offerings be taken up for the general work; viz., first, for the work in foreign fields; second, for missionary fields in the General Conference of North America; third, for Christian Help work and medical missions. Motion prevailed.

All the funds thus collected are to be sent to A.G.Adams, the Treasurer of the General Conference, at Battle Creek, at which place they will be qually appropriated to the various enterprises named.

The question of finances of the Manitoba mission field was next considered, when it was voted that the Secretary lay all correspondence relative to the question before the District Superintendent. The matter of supplying help for the church at St. John, New-Brunswick, was next considered, when it was voted to refer the matter of help to the District Superintendent.

The Committee then voted that typewritten copies pertaining to the auditing work, be prepared by Elders Irwin and Jones, and sent to the several Superintendents and Presidents.

The Secretary raised an inquiry respecting the Willard Hall \vee enterprise. It was thought best by the Committee, that, as the six months' contract would close about the time when our ministers would be busily engaged in tent- and camp-meeting work, it would be better to close the mestings for this time, and turn the remaining portion of the collections into the tithe fund of the General Conference.

Another question was raised, as follows: "Shall the General Conference pay the teachers of Graysville Academy?"

Moved by Allee and seconded by Underwood, that the teachers of Graysville Academy be put on the pay-roll of the General Conference for the present school year.

Elder Underwood seconded this motion with the understanding that some of the men in the Southern field should be dropped from the list as regular laborers. Motion prevailed.

Moved by Moon and seconded by Underwood, that Elder A.Barry be dropped from the list of workers under pay of the General Conference, and that we recommend him to another line; this to take effect as soon as the District Superintendent can make the arrangements. Carried.

Elder Underwood moved, that, in view of what the Testimonies have said about keeping men on the pay-roll of the Conference, Elder C.M.Kinny engage in self-supporting missionary work. Carried.

Voted to recommend Charles E. Sturdevant to take up self-supporting missionary work.

From this point in the meeting Elder Jones was present with the Committee.

The Committee to draft resolutions in the Lucas-Romalds case reported as follows:---

"Whereas, The Word of God and the Spirit of Prophecy repeatedly exhort those who labor in the ministry to be pure in life and honest in heart; and,---

"Whereas, at the recent council held in Battle Creek, Mich., the brethren decided that the conduct of V.H.Lucas had been such as to disgrace himself and his brethren in the ministry, by his course toward Miss Caroline E. Ronalds; and,---

"Whereas, The evidence brought out at the above-named council showed that he has deceived his brethren who tried to labor for his good; therefore, ---

Resolved, That we withdraw all countenance of his labors, and financial support as a minister of the gospel, and request him to at once return his ministerial credentials to the President of the General Conference. "Whereas, Miss Caroline E. Ronalds has had her confidence betrayed by V.H.Lucas, who was a minister of the gospel, ---

"We therefore assure her, That Mr. Lucas's course is highly reprehensible to the General Conference, and that we withdraw out support from him/as a minister of the gospel.

"We express to Miss Ronalds our deep sympathy for this treatment and sad disappointment, and further offer her the opportunity to labor under the direction of the General Conference."

[Signed]

I.H.Evans, R.A.Underwood, L.A.Hoopes, Committee."

Moved by Morrison and seconded by Breed, that the report be adopted. Motion prevailed.

Next was a report of committee to draft resolutions pertaining to the prerogatives of the Foreign Mission Board. The following report was submitted:----

"Whereas, There has not been a well-defined relationship between the Foreign Mission Board and the Medical Missionary and Benevolent Association in the past; and,--

"Whereas, There have arisen many cases which have created perplexities, and might lead to misunderstanding; and,---

"Whereas, The Foreign Mission Board has but limited means to pay its laborers, and many of them are now suffering from lack of remuneration; therefore.---

"1. We recommend, That the Foreign Mission Board invest no more means at present in erecting and equipping sanitariums or in furnishing medical appliances and supplies.

"2. That the Foreign Mission Board pay only the traveling expenses and time of those who do evalgelistic work, and such regular workers as report to the Foreign Mission Board their time, receipts, and expenditures.

"3. That all workers who receive remuneration from the Foreign Mission Board shall send to the Foreign Mission Board, quarterly, reports of all labor performed, of time, receipts, and expenditures."

Moved by Morrison and seconded by Kilgore, that the report be adopted. Carried.

Committee adjourned till 2:30 p.m., even date. G.A.IRWIN, Chairman.

L.A.HOOPES, Secretary.

SEVENTRYFIFTH MEETING GENERAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE.

Battle Creek, Mich., March 31, 1898.

The Committee met in the President's room, at 2:30 p.m. Elder Irwin in the chair. Prayer by Elder N.W.Allee. Present: Irwin, Breed, Underwood, Moon, Kilgore, Allee, Morrison, Evans, and Jones. Moved and seconded to reconsider the action asking Elder R.S. Donnell to go to take the presidency of the Dakota Conference, and that he be recommended to take the presidency of the Indiana Conference, made vacant by the removal of Elder W.B.White on account of his wife's illness. Carried.

Moved by Moon, That Elder W.T.Millman, of the Missouri Conference, be recommended to take the presidency of the Dakota Conference. Carried.

Moved by Moon, and seconded by Underwood, that Brother H.N.Sisco, a student of Battle Creek College, be recommended to go to Samoa, to take up the evangelistic work; also to study the language with a view to translating. Carried.

Moved by Morrison and seconded by Allee, that Elder G.W.Reaser, of the California Conference, be recommended to take the presidency of the Upper Columbia Conference, made vacant by the removal of Elder R.S.Donnell. Carried.

After this question was voted, it was thought best to send a telegram to Elder Reaser, to ascertain his mind upon the question. Accordingly a message was sent.

Elder L.T.Nicola came before the Committee by his request, and gave a report of the workings of the International Tract Society, also of his own work in connection with the Sabbath-school work at this place. His report revealed three things: first, an increase of real missionary work; second, an increase in donations received; and, third, not an increase in expenses.

Wpon the first of these he dwelt at considerable length. The work of introducing our trade books and our pioneer paper, the SIGNS OF THE TIMES, to the unfortunates in prisons; the inforduction of present truth in Improved Brail print, for the blind; and the special work for the W.C.T.U., in the circulation of leaflets prepared by Mrs.S.M.I.Henry, have been the main features of the work of the Society the past year.

The Secretary then read the minutes of the meetings held March 30, 2:30 and 3:15 p.m., and at 9 a.m. March 31.

Meeting adjourned till 7:30 p.m.

G.A.IRWIN, Chairman.

L.A.HOOPES, Secretary.

SEVENTY-SIXTH MEETING GENERAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE.

Battle Creek, Mich., March 31, 1898.

The General Conference Committee met at 7:30 at the residence of Elder Irwin. Prayer by Elders Evans and Underwood. Present: Irwin, Moon, Breed, Jones, Evans, Allee, Kilgore, and Underwood. Minutes of last meeting read and approved. Elder Underwood called up the question of the secretaryship of the Foreign Mission Board, as it is in a very unsettled condition, and therefore---

Moved that we reconsider the action requesting that Professor Wilkinson be left in the school the remainder of thes term. The motion was seconded by Evans, and carried.

It was further voted, that Professor Wilkinson connect with the Foreign Mission Board as its Secretary as soon as he can arrange to do so.

Moved by Evans, that Professor Wilkinson be recommended to be ordained next Sabbath. Carried.

Elder Moon moved, that it is the sense of this Committee that the Mission Board open up a work in China, and that competent persons be selected for this purpose. The motion was seconded by Evans, and was spoken to by Moon, Evans, and Breed. Carried.

Moved by Evans, that the chair appoint a committee of two to act with himself, to investigate the opening up of the farm which has been set apart for superannuated and worn out laborers, with power to act. Motion prevailed.

The chair appointed Elders Evans and Moon on said committee.

Elder Evans read a letter from S.M.Jacobs, in which he requests that there be a cottage built for one of the teachers of the school, as the room in the school building is needed for students. The cottage will cost about \$150.00.

A motion prevailed to recommend that such a cottage be built.

The question of providing a business agent for each of the academies of Keene and Graysville was left for the General Conference Association and the District Superintendents.

The chairman relied the question of the Scandinavian work in America. The general impression prevailed that the President visit the camp-meetings where the Scandinavians are largely represented.

Moved by Evans and seconded by Jones, that we do not see our way clear to give any encouragement for a separate organization in educational matters. Carried.

The Committee considered the propriety of having a committee to recommend a standard series of text-books for our schools, and report at the next General Conference.

A motion prevailed that a committee be appointed, consisting of three representatives of the General Conference, the editor of the CHRISTIAN EDUCATOR, and one from each of the schools in America.

The committee as appointed stands: Irwin, Jones, Hoopes, F.W. Howe, and the head of each of the schools in America. Moved by Moon and seconded by Underwood, that the week of prayer be appointed November 23 to 26, and that the collection be taken up at the Sabbath meeting. Carried.

Moved by Moon and seconded by Evans, that we reconsider the motion at the 8 a.m. meeting, respecting the July offering, and amend the motion by making the call for donations to the General Conference only. Carried.

Moved by Moon and seconded by Allee, that the next General Conference be held the latter part of April or first part of May, in a place where an out-of-door meeting can be held. Carried.

Committee adjourned till 8 a.m., April 1.

G.A.IRWIN, Chairman.

L.A.HOOPES,

Secretary.

SEVENTY-SEVENTH MEETING GENERAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE.

Battle Creek, Mich., April 1, 1898.

Committee met at 8 a.m. Present: Irwin, Underwood, Kilgore, Moon, Allee, Breed, and Evans.

After prayer, the first item of business was the presentation of the resignation of W.S.Hyatt as a member of the Foreign Mission Board. The resignation was accepted.

Elder Kilgore brought up the question of an agent for Graysville Academy. Brother L.L.Lawrence, of this city, was suggested. After some discussion it was thought best to wait until the District Superintendent could have wome interview with him before any action was taken.

Elder Underwood brought up the question of the appointment of a committee for the Maritime Provinces. By common consent, it was left for the District Superintendent to arrange.

Elder A.J.Breed called attention to the matter of supplying a German laborer for the North Pacific Conference at the general meetings. The matter was left with the President of the General Conference until the District Superintendent could look up the question.

A vote was taken to comply with the request of the Australasian Union Conference for the Foreign Mission Board to pay the transportation of the G.W.Morse family from America to Australia, with the understanding that the Union Conference pay it back to the Foreign Mission Board. W.C.Sisley came before the Committee, at which time the question of editorship of the YOUTH'S INSTRUCTOR was considered. Brother Sisley was of the opinion that there were too many editors. He felt that the General Conference Committee has rather forced the publishing Association to pay the salary of one more man than is necessary. He stated that heretofore they paid only \$2.00 per week; now it is \$15.00 per week.

J.C.Bartholf came in and made a very free statement of his relationship with the paper and the General Conference. He felt free to adjust himself to any circumstances or arrangements that may be thought best by this body.

After a general discussion of the work of the editorship of the INSTRUCTOR and the field secretaryship of the International Religious Liberty Association, it was---

Voted, That, in view of the circumstances, it is the mequest of this committee that the present editors of the INSTRUCTOR be retained by the Seventh-day Adventist Publishing Association.

Moved by Evans and seconded by Breed, that the working up of membership of the Graysvilla and Keene schools be left to the local boards, with the instruction that they make the canvass as economical as possible. Carried.

Moved and supported, that the publication of a small biweekly paper for District No. 2 be encouraged, and that we ask the Review and Herald to share in the expense. Carried.

Moved and supported, that a committee of two be appointed to confer with the managers of the Review and Herald, to see if an amicable arrangement can be made concerning the relationship between the Southern Tract Society and the Review and Herald Branch at Atlanta. Carried.

Riders Allee and Irwin were selected as said committee.

Voted, that a class be formed in the Southern field for the training of Bible workers as voted by District Conference in Dist. No. 2

Voted to adjourn till 2:30 p.m.

G.A. IRWIN, Chairman.

L.A.HOOPES, Secretary.

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SEVENTY-EIGHTH MEETING GENERAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE.

Battle Creek, Mich., April 1, 1898.

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The committee met at 3 p.m. Prayer by Elder Moon. Members present: Irwin, Allee, Morrison, Breed, Moon, Evans. Minutes read and approved.

Moved by Morrison and seconded by Kilgore, that Elder I.D.Van-Horn be invited to take the charge of the Indiana Conference in the absence of Elder W.B.White, until Elder R.S.Donnell can reach there from the Upper Columbia Conference. Carried.

Moved and supported, that we recommend Elder H. Nicola, of Battle Creek, to make Indiana his field of labor. Carried.

Moved by Morrison and seconded by Allee, that Elder H.M.Stewart, of Indiana, take the place on the Missouri Conference Committee made vacant by the removal of Elder W.T.Millman. Carried.

Moved by Breed and seconded by Evans, that we invite the Michigan Conference to enchange Elder A.O.Burrill for Elder W.H.Falconer, of Manitoba, and that Elder Burrill be asked to take the directorship of that mission field. Carried.

Voted that Elder J.C. Foster make Montana his field of labor.

Voted to adjourn to 8 a.m., Sunday, April 3, 1898.

G.A.IRWIN, Chairman.

L.A.HOOPES, Secretary.

SEVENTY-NINTH MEETING GENERAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE.

Battle Creek, Mich., April 3, 1898.

The Committee met at 8 a.m., in Elder Irwin's room. Prayer by Irwin, Breed, Kilgore, and Evans.

Brother L.L.Lawrence, of this city, came in by invitation, to speak for himself concerning the possibility of his connecting with one of our Southern academies, as general industrial manager and business agent. He stated that he was not selecting places; felt that this line of work was what had been running through his mind.

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Moved by Evans and seconded by Kilgore, that we recommend L.L.Lawrence to go to Graysville to act as business agent, at the rate of \$12.00 pwer week His business will be to have full charge of the finances, keep the books, and oversee the manual training and industrial department.

Professor E.A. Sutherland came in before the Committee to inquire what could be done by way of providing Special Testimonies for the church schools. No action taken.

Voted to recommend Professor Frederick Griggs, of Battle Creek College, to take the presidency of Walla Walla College faculty.

Moved by Jones and seconded by Allee, that it is the sense of this Committee that Elder N.W.Kauble be retained as president of Union College. Carried.

Moved by Evans and seconded by Kilgore, that we do not see our way clear to publish "Rise and Progress" in the Scandinavian dialects; but that if it is published in Scandinavia, we will take enough to supply the trade in America, either in sheets, or as may be agreed upon. Carried.

Voted to refer translation of "Healthful Living," to the Medical Missionary and Benevolent Association.

Moved by Evans and seconded by Moon, that the translation of the Testimonies into Scandinavian dialects, and "Great Controversy," into the Dutch Language, be referred to the European Council. Carried.

Voted that available members of the General Conference Committee and L.A.HOOPES be a committee, together with the Medical Missionary and Benevolent Association, to settle definitely the plans and stipulations of arrangement for cooperation between the General Conference Committee and the Medical Missionary and Benevolent Association.

Moved and supported, that Clifford Dart bake the position of State Agent for Alabama. Carried.

Moved and supported, that R.T.Nash be recommended to connect with Elder R.S.Owen. Carried.

Voted to refer the case of Grant Priddy to District Superintendent of No. 2.

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Meeting adjourned till 2:30 p.m.

G.A.IRWIN, Chairman.

L.A.HOOPES, Secretary. EIGHTIETH MEETING GENERAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE.

Battle Creek, Mich., April 3, 1898.

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Committee met in President's room, at 2:30 p.m. Present: Irwin, Breed, Evans, Morrison, Kilgore, and Allee.

After prayer, Elder Breed called up the question of school work In Utah. He desired counsel as to what he should advise in the matter.

Elder Evans desired opinion of Committee respecting the Mc Camly property. Moved and supported that this Committee concur in the action of the General Conference Association with regard to the Mc Camly property. Carried.

Voted that Sister H.P.Booth engage in self-supporting missionary work.

Voted to let Sister Nellie Patchen take her choice of work, whether for the General Conference or the Medical Missionary and Benevolent Association.

Voted to refer Brother Franklin's case to Superintendent of District No. 2.

Moved by Allee and seconded by Evans, that we recommend E.I. Sanford for ordination. Carried.

Moved and supported, that we supply two tents for North Carolina, providing they pay half the cost. The size of tents to be arranged later by Superintendent and the Tent Company.

Voted that Elders Irwin and Morrison constitute a committee to confer with M.E.Kellogg, and invite him to take the editorship of the South African paper.

Voted that copy of action of resolution passed by this Committee be sent to the College Board, and say that this is still the sentiment of the Committee, and that the College collect the rent from the Medical Missionary and Benevolent Association. [See minutes of December 21, 1897.]

Committee adjourned.

G.A.IRWIN, Chairman.

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Battle Creek, Mich., May 3, 1898.

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A council consisting of the members of the General Conference Committee present, --- Irwin, Moon, Evans, and Jones, --- together with Dr.J.H.Kellogg, E.A.Sutherland, and P.T.Magan, was called to order by Elder G.A.Irwin. Prayer by Elder Jones.

The meeting was called to consider matters relative to the College work, the question of reorganization, and what steps should be taken to get the subject clearly before the stockholders of the institution.

Professor Sutherland also called up the question of what attitude he should take toward accepting the position on the College Board or the College faculty.

Reference was made to certain blanks that had been sent out to the stockholders by some one, ostensibly for the purpose of petitioning them to request the present Board to institute proceedings in a court of chancery to set aside the mortgage that is now placed on the property of the Educational Association.

Elder I.H.Evans stated that the newly elected Board of directors for the College all voted to conform with the Testimonies as far as they can see, and were willing to put themselves on record manage that they wanted nothing to do with the pushing of the litigation in the matter of trying to set aside the mortgage.

Some time was spent in the consideration of the best plans to get the true situation of the reorganization of the College before all the stockholders. It was---

Voted, That, inasmuch as quite a clear and full report has been published in the REVIEW AND HERALD, giving the names of those who were present at the time the reorganization question was considered, the best plan would be to have the attorney arrange all the details for the reorganization; then submit the plan to the leading brethren, such as presidents of conferences, for their criticism and endorsement; after which send the plan out to all the stockholders in general.

The Committee did not see much light in Professors Mma Sutherland and Magan taking positions either on the Board or the faculty, unless there could be a strong majority on either the Board or the faculty in favor of the plans that were put into practise the past year.

L.A.HOOPES, Secretary.	GEO.A.IRWIN,	Chairman.

Battle Creek, Mich., May 4, 1898.

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The General Conference Committee met at 1:30 p.m.; Elder Irwin in the Chair. Present: Elders Irwin, Jones, Evans, Moon. Prayer by Moon and Irwin.

The first item of business considered was the matter of the Kelchner tabernacle enterprise. Brother J.W.Kelchner has been at large expense in making a model of the tabernacle used by the children of Israel in the wilderness, as described in the Scriptures. He has spared no pains or expense to produce the model of the same material as was the sanctuary. Brother Kelchner desires that the moral support of the General Conference as well as the financial aid in starting, be received.

A motion was carried that the General Conference accept the proposition submitted by J.W.Kelchner, the details to be clearly set forth and understood before definite arrangements were made; and, further, that the Secretary of the General Conference and I.H.Evans, with J.W.Kelchner, be a committee to arrange the details.

Elder Jones thought the enterprise should be owned and controlled by the General Conference, as the sanctuary question is one of the leading subjects to be presented by this people, and the there is no better thing to illustrate this subject, and to bring it before the thousands, than by use of this model.

As this juncture Dr.J.H.Kellogg came into the room, when the Chairman adnounced that we would waive the consideration of the Kelchner enterprise for the time being, and take up the question of the propriety of using the tithe paid by the Sanitarium helpers for the express purpose of supporting trained workers and nurses to carry the light of health reform principles into the various conferences for the education of this denomination.

Moved by Jones, That it is the sense of the members present that the General Conference should support Sanitarium trained workers in the United States, under the auspices of the Medical Missionary and Benevolent Association in conjunction with the General Conference Committee, and as far as possible with the cooperation of State Sonference Committees; such support not to exceed the amount of tithe received by the General Conference from the Sanitarium helpers.

The reason assigned for taking this step was that the Conferences seem to think that the expense of supporting the trained medical missionary workers was greater than they could see their way clear to carry. Thus the way has seemed to be closed up. The M.M. and B. Association could not hope to receive much support from the Conferences until they became acquainted with the health reform principles. If the General Conference does not come to the aid of the Medical Missionary and Benevolent Association, the way seems to be closed up.

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Elder Moon raised the same question relative to the foreign mission work. He thought there should be agents employed by the General Conference to work in all the Conferences on the subject of raising funds forcarry the work in regions beyond.

Dr. kellogg replied that that was his mind exactly. That just the same work should be done.

After much discussion, on the motion, the question was put, and carried.

The brethren present desired that this question should be communicated to the other members of the General Conference Committee, especially all the Superintendents of Districtricts, before it should be submitted to the M.M. and B.Association.

The Committee then reverted to the discussion of the Kelchner tabernacle enterprise. Elder Evans suggested a number of things which, in his judgment, would indicate that it would not be wise for the General Conference to assume the indebtedness that now rests on the above-mentioned enterprise. The impression gained ground that it would not be the wisest thing to do at this time.

At this juncture Brother Kelchner was invited to come before the Committee, when the Chairman stated to him what seemed to be the mind of the Committee on the question; that the brethren did not see their way clear, under the stringency of finances, to take hold of the enterprise at present. They had no objection to his organizing a stock company to help him out of the financial embarrassment, and to work the matter from that standpoint. At this the question was dropped indefinitely.

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The next thing considered was the propriety of the General Conference Association employing Judge Jesse Arthur as attorney for the denomination. Elder Evans desired the members of the Committee to advise what he would better do in the matter. He stated in substance the proposition that the Judge submits, under which he would do the work for the denomination. Also stated that the Sanitarium would pay half; the Review and Herald will pay half the remainder, and the remaining quarter is to be paid by the General Conference Association. In all it would amount to about \$2000 a year, besides the library that is to be provided.

Moved by Jones and seconded by Moon, That we recommend the General Conference Association to work to the end of employing Judge Jesse Arthur at as early a date as possible. Carried.

The President then read a letter from Elder Underwood, stating that he would like the mind of the brethren as to whether they would pay the salary of J.G.Excell, of Pennsylvania, to go to Vermont, the same as was proposed for 0.0.Farnsworth. The brethren reasoned that Elder Farnsworth was already in the employ of the General Conference, and would be until fall, when he would go to work; and in this event, they would have two men on their hands.

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Moved by Evans and seconded by Moon, That we do not see our way clear, on account of lack of funds, to send J.G.Excell to Carried. Vermont.

The question of where Elder E.J.Hibbard should labor was next considered. Voted, To recommend that Elder Hibbard go to Manitoba; if he does not find it possible to comply with this request, that the President arrange for him to go to Pennsylvania, provided the Pennsylvania Conference will take him.

The question of supplying a man to go to Manninoham Montana, with the view of taking the presidency of the organization of the Conference, was next considered, when a vote was taken to recommend Watson Ziegler, of Colorado, to go to Montana, with the view to taking the presidency of that Conference as soon as organized.

The Chairman read a letter from Elder J.E. White, in which he requests that the General Conference loan him \$200 to carry on his work in the South. A motion prevailed that, in view of the stringency of finances, we do not see our way clear to grant the request.

Meeting adjourned until 8 a.m., Thursday, May 5, 1898.

GEO.A.IRWIN,

Chairman.

L.A.HOOPES, Secretary.

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EIGHTY-THIRD MEETING GENERAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE.

Battle Creek, Mich., August 1, 1898.

At a council composed of Elders I.H.Evans, J.H.Morrison, A.T. Jones, and L.A.Hoopes, the following recommendations were passed:

In response to several communications from J.E.White, relative to the supplying of a tent for preaching services in the South, it was---

Moved by Jones, and seconded by Evans, That the General Conference send a 28 x 51-ft. tent. This tent is a second-hand tent, but will do reasonably good service for some time to come. The motion prevailed.

The Secretary called up the question of finding a man to take the presidency of the Montana Conference when it is organized. A communication was read from Elder A.J.Breed, the Superintendent of the District, in which he calls attention to Elder W.B.White, and expresses himself as favorably impressed with the move, if he can be secured for that position.

It was moved and supported, That the Secretary be instructed to write Elder White, and place before him their counsel with reference to the matter, and ask him to accept the position as president of that conference. The motion prevailed.

Next a communication was read from Elder G.E.Langdon, in which he calls the Committee's attention to the report of labor of one Brother Limingston, who has acted as tent-master for Elders Langdom and Webber. The Committee voted to place this before Elder Underwood, and with him settle the account of this laborer.

The next question considered was the propriety of sending a fraternal delegate to represent the Seventh-day Adventists at the General Conference of the Seventh-day Baptists, to be held at Milton Junction, Wis., August 24 to 28, 1898. Since Sister S.M.I. Henry has been invited to attend this meeting, it was therefore moved by Jones, and seconded by Evans, That Sister Henry be granted credentials as fraternal delegate to said Conference. Carried.

The Committee voted to fix the rate for Miss Grace G. Durland at \$8.00 per week.

It was next recommended that the rate of Elder J.H.Durland be set at \$12.00 per week, and that the Review and Herald be asked to pay half the salary, the account to be finally audited by the Auditing Committee.

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J.H.MORRISON, Chairman pro tem.

L.A.HOOPES, Secretary.

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EIGHT Y-FOURTH MEETING GENERAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE.

Battle Creek, Mich., September 21, 1898.

Members present: Elders G.A. Irwin, A.T. Jones, Allen Moon.

The first item considered was that pertaining to the future labors of Elder J.H.Durland. There seems to be a probability of considerable and by being manifested on the part of some of our brethren relative to his connection with the cause. It seemed quite clear to the members present that the General Conference Committee should take its stand on the question soon. A vote was taken for the President to write to other members of the Committee, and get their mind as to what is the right thing to do in the case.

The next question considered was that of the week of prayer readings for South America. Inasmuch as the European Conferences, with the exception of the British field, have decided to hold their week of prayer during the holidays, and furnish their own readings, it was thought advisable that readings be sent to the brethren in South America from Europe, and that they hold their week of prayer at the same time; viz., December 24 to January 1.

The next question considered was that of supplying a laborer for Ottawa, Canada. It is well known to several members of the Committee that Elder J.O. Corliss has been holding a series of tentmeetings at Ottawa, and has had associated with him Professor A.J. Bristol, of this city. On account of sickness in the Professor's family, it seems necessary that he return to Battle Creek. Several attempts were made to provide help, when at last W.H.Spear, of New York City, was sent to follow up the work. Later Brother Watson, who is handling the health foods in that city, was invited to assist in the visiting. On account of illness it has been deemed expedient that Elder Corliss come to the Sanitarium for This will leave a vacancy in ministerial work. The treatment. Michigan Conference Committee offered to supply a man for that place. Several attempts have been made to find some one who could go, but it seems that a suitable one can not be found. A vote was taken to lay the burden of the work at Ottawa, on Professor Bristol, and ascertain whether he will refuse to go.

The next question called up was that of starting a mission in New York City. The Chairman stated that Dr. kellogg proposed that the General Conference appropriate the \$500 donated by the Kansas Conference to the General Conference, to place with that which the Kansas Conference donated to the Medical Missionary and Benevolent Association, and start a mission in New York City, N.Y.

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Elder Irwin raised the question as to the propriety of his making a call through the REVIEW for donations to start such a mission. He wanted to know what effect this would have on the offerings at the time of the coming week of prayer. Elder Moon made a few statements relative to the needs in foreign mission fields. He stated that there were many openings and calls in foreign fields that they had not been able to do anything with for lack of funds; that the demands on the Board were many times greater than they were five years ago, and yet the actual income of the Board is less than it was then.

Theer Moon therefore moved that two calls be made through the columns of the REVIEW, one for donations to open up work in China, and the other to open up a mission in New York City, N.Y. This was carried unanimously.

Committee adjourned.

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INFORMAL MEETING.

EIGHTY_FIFTH MEETING GENERAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE.

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Battle Creek, Mich., October 4, 1898.

The General Conference Committee met at 6 p.m. Present: Eldes G.A.Irwin, Allen Moon, A.T.Jones, and I.H.Evans. Prayer by Elder Evans.

The first question considered was the propriety of providing a field for Elder R.C.Porter. Elder Kilgore had suggested that Elder Irwin stop off on his way to the Oklahoma camp-meeting, and have a talk with Elder Porter, which it was decided should be done. Elder Jones thought that Missouri Conference could give all the employment necessary for Elder Porter. Mentioned that laboring always unfitted him physically to do justice to his work. Elder Evans coincided with what the others had said, but thought the Chairman should visit him, if possible.

The Chairman called up the question of Elder J.H.Durland, whether it was better to continue him in the ministry or recommend him to take some other line of work. The Chair stated that he had received letters from all the members of the Committee but Elders Moon and Jones, and they were here to answer for themselves. Two of the brethren were not well enough acquainted with the case to decide. One or two seemed to be undecided.

Elder Jones stated that the leaflet entitled, "The Sin of Licentiousness," makes a statement that makes him think that we should be very careful, as the cases seemed parallel.

Moved by Jones, and seconded by Evans, That Elder J.H.Durland be advised to take some other line of work besides the ministry.

The Chairman stated that Elder Durland had already voluntarily turned in his certificate of ordination, ministerial credentials, and railroad credentials. He also stated that there was so much being said in different parts of the field relative to the position in which the General Conference finds itself at present, that it seemed necessary that some definite step be taken in his case. He had endeavored to get the minds of the different minds of the Conference Committee without arguing the case one way or another. Some seemed to favor his having employment in connection with the cause; others thought not. All seemed to be of the opinion that, if possible to give him some line of canvassing work, such as welling our books, or our papers, would be better than to have him go out to the world. Elder D. was about to take the agency to sell the Warner Library, which, of course, would bring him directly in contact with the world and its ways. The brethren very much dislike to have him do this.

The motion carried unanimously.

The next question as to where the next General Conference should be held, was taken up and considered. The Chairman stated that letters had been received from different places and from different members of the Committee. Chicago seemed to be the preference

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The Tennessee River Conference had considered the question, and voted to invite the Committee to hold the meeting in the South;----Nashville was suggested. Elder R.M.Wilgore said, Chicago by all means. Elder Wm. Covert had given an invitation from the Wisconsin Conference to have the Conference held there, but thought Chicago would be the best place, all things considered. Elder S.H.Lane wrote, and enclosed a diagram of how meetings could be held to good advantage in the city.

Elder N.W.Allee was very desirous that it be held at Nashville, Tenn. It was moved by Moon, and seconded by Evans, That it is the sense of this body that we accept favorably the invitation of the Tennessee River Conference to come to Nashville. Carried.

man With this in view, it was decided to arrange to have the President, with one or two members of the Committee, pay a visit to the South to see what the prospects are for the meeting.

The next question was that of supplying work for Elder J.O. Corliss, which was passed by without any recommendation.

The following motion carried unanimously: Inasmuch as the work of Elder Kauble confines him to Union College, therefore we recommend that Elder I.H.Evans go to Manitoba and render such assistance as the cause demands.

Elder Evans called up the question of the General Conference rooms. A few years ago the Review and Herald, the General Conference Association, the Michigan Conference, and the Battle Creek Church entered into an agreement respecting the property occupied by each in what is known as the "West Building." These different organizations put in a stated amount of money, with the understanding that the property was to be held in the name of the General Conference Association. Since the Michigan Conference and Tract Society have sold their interest in the building, the Review and Herald Publishing Association desire to occupy the ground floor rooms of said building and ask that the General Conference, General Conference Association, and International Tract Society occupy rooms on the second floor.

This question of removal had been considered by the Review and Herald and some representatives of the General Conference and General Conference Association, and as they approached the time for the change to be made, the question does not seem clear to all members of the General Conference Committee.

It was therefore moved by Moon, and seconded by Jones, That the question of rooms be laid over until General Conference convenes; and that a copy of this recommendation be sent to the Review and Herald Publishing Association. Carried.

The Committee adjourned.

GEO.A.IRWIN,

Chairman.

L.A.HOOPES, Secretary.

FALL SESSION. 1898.

EIGHTY-SIXTH MEETING GENERAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE.

Battle Creek, Mich., November 7, 1898.

Committee met in the President's room, 2:15 p.m.; President in the Chair.

Members present: Elders Geo.A. Irwin, J.H.Morrison, A.T.Jones, Allen Moon, and I.H.Evans.

Prayer by Elders Morrison, Irwin, and Evans.

Elder Evans made a report of his visit and work in the Manitoba mission field. Elder N.W.Kauble, the District Superintendent, went with him. He first mentioned the meetings held for the purpose of getting at some of the difficulties that existed between brethren. A good spirit came into their meetings, and wrongs were righted. It seemed to be the unanimous opinion of the brethren in that field that Elder Falconer be removed, and that the General Conference send a manager for the field. They also desired that a field man should be sent there. At first they wanted a secretary for the tract society; but on investigation they found that the business of the society was in such a condition that it was getting deeply involved in debt. On the tract society proper they ove \$600, and on the large stock of health foods, over \$360. The tract society paper, THE TRUMPET OF TRUTH, is behind over \$186. Elder Kauble advised that W.H.Falconer be discontinued as manager, and that he be recommended to go to Alberta. Elder Evans stated that while he assented to that, yet it was not his best judgment in the matter. He rather thought that Elder Falconer would better be put in some conference under the direction of some good conference president. E.H.Huntley, who was the business manager, was recommended to close out the health food business, and discontinue the depository, and deal direct with the Ontario House. It was advised that inasmuch as an edition of 500 of the TRUMPET OF TRUTH cost \$41, and they are behind \$186, with only 138 subscribers to maintain the paper, they discontinue the publication of the TRUMPET OF TRUTH, and use the SIGNS instead as a missionary paper. It was the mind of Elders Evans, Falconer, and Huntley, that Brother Alexander Ritchie be removed from that Province to another field. In speaking of men who would do well in that field, Elder B.G.Wilkinson, of Wisconsin, was suggested as a man suitable for a director, and J.F.Gravelle, of the Dakota Conference, a suitable man for field work.

Moved by Elder Moon, and seconded by Elder Morrison, That we endorse all the recommendations by Elder Evans, with the idea that Elder W.H.Falconer does not go to Alberta. Carried.

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The Committee next considered the matter of locating the next General Conference. The President had sent out letters to all the conference presidents, requesting their opinion as to the best time and place for the meetings; also suggesting to them that invitations had come from the Wisconsin, Illinois, and Tenness see River Conferences. The reports that came in from these presidents were mostly in favor of Chicago and Nashville. There were a few other scattering ones, but Chicago and Nashville were a tie. As there seemed to be a little annohumment diversity on the part of the Committee when it was first considered, the President hardly felt that it was wisdom to decide the question on that vote alone.

Among the scattering ones, was the President of the New England Conference, Elder H.W. Cottrell, who had voted for Battle Creek. After he had sent in his vote, he was deeply impressed, by reading the Testimonies, and by the Spirit of God, that the Conference should be held in the East; and he immediately sat down and wrote his state of mind, and sent the letter, with a special delivery stamp upon it. This letter contained an invitation from Elder Cottrell, in behalf of the New England Conference Committee, to have the General Conference come to South Lancaster, Mass. After receiving this letter, the President, in counsel with other mem-bers of the Committee, thought it best to write out to all members of the General Conference Committee, and ask them to decide, in view of what had taken place, where it would be best to locate the next General Conference.

Up to the time of this meeting, the Chairman stated that the reports from all members of the Committee thus far received, were in favor of South Lancaster. Elders Breed and Allee had not been heard from.

Moved by Elder Jones, and seconded by Elder Morrison, That we accept the invitation of Elder Cottrell to come to South Lancaster, Mass. While this question was pending, replies came from Elders Breed and Allee, not objecting, but rather favoring, the Conference going to New England. The Motion Carried.

The plan of conducting the business of all questions that should be considered at the time of the General Conference, was In the matter of instruction, it was moved by next Considered. Elder Evans, and seconded by Elder Morrison, That it is the sense of this body that we arrange for two studies each day, --- one in the daytime, and the other each evening; and that provision be made for prayer-and social-meetings as occasion demands. Carried.

Moved by Elder Evans, and seconded by Elder Morrison, That we look favorably upon Brother A.F.Ballenger as one who has a message for the Conference; and that Elders Irwin, Morrison, and Hoopes con-stitute a committee to ascertain who would be proper persons to give instruction in these meetings, and report to the Committee. Carried.

This motion carried.

to go to Dakota.

The question of delegates was next considered. From the foreign fields, inasmuch as the West Indies and South America are of easy access, it was recommended that A.J. Haysmer represent the West India field, and F.H.Westphal South America. The name of B.J.Cady was suggested for the Polynesian Mission Field. For delegates at large, Mrs.E.G. White was appointed to represent Australia; and the name of E.J.Waggoner was suggested as one that possibly might be invited to take part in the instruction. ATT other foreign countries that are organized into conferences, are entitled to delegates the same as any other local conference.

From District No. 1 the following delegates at large were named: G.E.Langdon, to represent the Maritime Provinces; the Secretary and Treasurer of the Foreign Mission Board: and J.H. Haughey, of South Lancaster. District No. 2 to be represented by C.W. Irwin, of Graysville, H.S.Shaw, of Huntsville, and Geo. I. Butler, of Florida. District No. 3, E.A.Sutherland, J.H.Kellogg, Uriah Smith, Savid Paulson, Mrs.S.M. I.Henry, J.O. Corliss, W.C. Sisley, H.E.Robinson, A.F.Ballenger, L.T.Nicola, J.W.Loughhead, D.H.Kress. District No. 4: W.T.Bland; Joseph Sutherland. District No. 5: C.C.Lewis. District No. 6: J.N.Loughborough, R.S.Owen, Geo.A. Nichols, C .H. Jones, M.C. Wilcox. The District Superintendent, of course, of each District is a delegate at large. In any case any of these persons should be sent as regular delegates from their conference, they would not receive credentials from the General Conference as delegates at large. It was then---

Voted, To leave the question of supplying other delegates at large who may have been overlooked, who would have a voice in the Conference, to the President and Secretary, and such other members of the Committee as may be present.

Elder Moon then requested the Committee to give him some assistance in the matter of supplying a director for the Polynesian It is becoming a very serious question, and some mission field. one must be provided. He moved, and Elder Evans seconded, That we invite Elder E.H.Gates to act as director of that field. There was some objection to this motion, if it were decided that he should confine himself to the schooner Pitcairn, as it certainly would be very deleterious to his health. It was thought that perhaps he could take the regular line of steamers, and go direct on the long trips to the islands, and use the schooner to make the short runs between the islands. In this way he would have more time on the islands, and be in a much better condition to study the field, and have more time with the companies. The motion prevailed.

The meeting adjourned to 7:30 a.m., Tuesday, November 8, 1898.

GEO.A.IRWIN, President.

L.A.HOOPES, Secretary.

EIGHTY-SEVENTH MEETING GENERAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE.

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Battle Creek, Mich., Nov. 8, 1898.

Committee met at 7:30 a.m.; President in the Chair.

After an earnest season of prayer, the usual order of business was taken up, which had been outlined by the Secretary.

Minutes read and approved.

Moved and supported, That Bebruary 7 - 14, 1899, be set apart for the time of the auditing of accounts of the laborers of the General Conference and Foreign Mission Board; and that February 14 to March 7, 1899, be the time for holding the General Conference. Carried.

ARRANGEMENTS FOR CONFERENCE.

It was left for the Secretary to correspond with the New England Conference, and state what will be wanted in the matter of arrangements, and let them make these as best they can.

GENERAL CONFERENCE BULLET IN.

The question of the GENERAL CONFERENCE BULLETIN was next considered. Moved by Elder Moon, and seconded by Elder Evans, That the GENERAL CONFERENCE BULLETIN be continued as in former years; viz., a daily bulletin for the General Conference sessions, and the regular quarterly journal for the biennial period; and that the editors of the paper arrange for the circulation.

The question of who should act as Secretary of the meetings, during the sessions of the General Conference, was taken up and discussed. A.G.Adams, the Recording Secretary, was called into the council. He expressed himself as desirous that the Corresponding Secretary, L.A.Hoopes, act as Secretary of the meetings.

Elder Evans moved, and Elder Jones seconded, That inasmuch as Brother Adams has requested this, we recommend that Elder L.A.Hoopes act as Secretary of all the meetings of the General Conference. Carried.

Moved by Elder Morrison, and seconded by Elder Jones, That Elder J.O.Corliss be invited to act as editor, and Elder L.T.Nicola assistant editor, of the GENERAL CONFERENCE DAILY BULLETIN, Elder Nicola to have the supervision of the proof reading, press-work, and preparing for the press, and distribution of the papers to the delegates.

TRANSPORTATION.

Voted, To leave matter of transportation to transportation agents, Brother A.G.Adams to arrange with them for all delegates, and others.

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REPORTS FROM DEPARTMENTS.

Moved by Elder Evand, and seconded by Elder Moon, That the reports of heads of departments and District Superintendents be prosented in written form, to be published in the BULLETIN just before the question will be considered. Carried.

CANVASSERS' INSTITUTE.

Voted, That instead of having an institute, that the discussion of plans for the best distribution of literature be held in open conference.

ORGANIZATION.

The Committee voted that the following Committees be recommended:

- a. Seating of Delegates.
- b. Religious Exercises.
- c. Nominations.
- d. Credentials and Licenses.
- e. Plans and Resolutions.
- f. Finances.
- g. Distribution of Labor.

The Committee next considered a memorial from W.M.Herd, respecting the Review and Herald management, written October 8, 1898. The Chairman read the document, After a few brief remarks by different members of the Committee, it was moved to adjourn to 7:30 a.m., November 9, 1898.

GEO.A. IRWIN,

Chairman.

L.A.HOOPES, Secretary.

EIGHTY-EIGHTH MEETING GENERAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE.

Battle Creek, Mich., Nov. 9, 1898.

The Committee met in Elder Irwin's office at 7:30 a.m.; President in the Chair. Present: Elders Irwin, Morrison, Jones, Moon, and Evans.

After prayer, the minutes were read and approved.

Inasmuch as the former meeting closed while considering the memorial of W.M.Herd, the Chairman raised the question of the propriety of taking some definite action in the matter. After an informal talk on the question, it was suggested that the Secretary inform Brother Herd that his memorial had been received, and considered by the Committee, and that due steps would be taken to see what could be done to bring about a reconciliation of all parties concerned.

Elder Moon again brought up the question of providing a man for the Polynesian field. He read a message from Elder Gates that indicated that he would go if conditions are favorable, and that a letter would follow. Elders Irwin and Evans expect to go South in a few days, and may be able to see Elder Gates, and arrange definitely.

Elder Moon brought up the matter of the mission property for the Chinest school in Honolulu. He stated that since the Islands had been annexed to the United States, property has raised in price, as has also rent. The Chinese of that place have been meeting all the expenses thus far. They propose that if the Foreign Mission Board will purchase the lot, they will erect buildings, and maintain the school. A lot will cost about \$4000.

It was moved by Jones, and seconded by Morrison, That it is the sense of this body that Elder Moon go on to Honolulu, and ascertain the situation of the school work in that place, and study the prospects of the Chinese fields. Carried.

Moved by Moon, and seconded by Jones, That we recommend the Foreign Mission Board to send Brother F.W.Brown and wife, Karrie L.Brown, of the Sanitarium, to India, as evangelical missionaries. Carried.

Moved and supported, That Elder W.A.Hennig, of Missouri, be asked to act as auditor on the General Conference Auditing Committee, to fill the vacancy on the Committee made by Elder Hyatt's going to South Africa. Carried.

Moved by Morrison, and seconded by Jones, That we accept the property from Sister Boyd, which property is located near Asheville, N.C., to be used as a school for the colored people, provided she is agreed. Carried. Moved by Elder Jones, and seconded by Elder Moon, That we request the Review and Herald to permit Sister Addie B. Cooper, of this place, to go to the General Conference to act as proof-reader for the DAILY BULLETIN. Carried.

Voted, To grant missionary credentials to Mrs. Bettie C. Saxby, of Louisville, Ky., and allow her to present her reports of labor to the general Auditing Committee.

The question of jurisdiction over eastern Ontario was next considered. Referring to the proceedings of the Committee March 30, 1898, the following recommendation passed by the Committee is found:

"WHEREAS, There are a number of churches in the Province of Ontario east of that portion occupied by the Michigan Conference; and,---

"WHEREAS, It is our judgment that the Michigan Conference can work the territory better than the Quebec Conference; therefore, if agreeable to the Michigan and the Quebec Conferences,---

"WE REQUEST, That all of Ontario Province as far east and including the counties of Lanark and Leeds be set off to the Michigan Conference, and be included in General Conference District No. 3."

This was accepted by the Quebec Conference, also by the Michigan Conference, Committee. However, Elder Leland's understanding manat was that the adjustment was first to be satisfactory to them. It seems now that there is to be a money consideration; so the President of the Quebec Conference asks that they be permitted to receive the tithes until January 1, 1899; then the territory revert back to the direction of the General Conference Committee.

In view of the unsettled understanding between the Quebec Conference and the General Conference, and in harmony with the suggestion of Elder Eugene Leland, it was---

Moved and seconded, That the General Conference grant the tithe of the Quebec Conference due to the General Conference, and the tithe of the territory ma of East Ontario, to the Quebec Conference until January 1, 1899; then the territory named will revert back to the General Conference. Carried.

It was the mind of the Committee that we should negotiate with the Michigan Conference to take oversight of these eastern counties in Ontario.

GEO.A. IRWIN,

Chairman.

L.A.HOOPES, Secretary. INDEX TO GENERAL CONFERENCE DOMMITTEE MINUTES.

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