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GENERAL CONFERENCE PROCEEDINGS.

SEVENTEENTH MEETING.

THE Conference convened Monday morning Nov. 4, at 9:30, as usual, and after song, was led in prayer by Elder J. M. Rees, of Indiana. The minutes of the last meeting being approved, the question of adopting the By-laws, which was made the special order for that hour, was taken under consideration. After a few minor amendments, the By-laws were adopted in the following form:—

ARTICLE I. — OFFICERS, COMMITTEES, AND AGENTS, — THEIR CREATION AND DUTIES.

PRESIDENT.

SECTION 1. The President shall preside at all meetings of the Conference and of the Executive Committee, and appoint all Committees not otherwise created.

RECORDING SECRETARY.

SEC. 2. The duty of the Recording Secretary shall be to keep a record of the proceedings of all sessions of the Conference, and of the statistics of the denomination.

CORRESPONDING SECRETARY.

SEC. 3. The Corresponding Secretary shall have in charge the general correspondence of the Conference, and shall also be the Secretary of the Executive Committee.

EDUCATIONAL SECRETARY.

SEC. 4. The Educational Secretary shall have the general supervision of the educational work of the denomination. It shall be his duty to visit the different educational institutions; and he may, with the concurrence of the Executive Committee, call Teachers' Institutes, when the circumstances seem to demand. It shall be his duty to suggest plans and devise means for the development of the educational work of the denomination. He shall also make a report to the General Conference at its sessions, of the progress of the work, and of the general standing of the educational institutions.

FOREIGN MISSION SECRETARY.

SEC. 5. It shall be the duty of the Foreign Mission Secretary to maintain a regular correspondence with superintendents of mis-

sions, and with the supervising committees of the foreign mission enterprises under the management of the Foreign Mission Board; to make regular reports of the condition and wants of the missions, to the Board, or to such standing committees as may be created for this purpose by the Board; to communicate the decisions of the Board to its agents in foreign countries; and to report to the Conference at its sessions, the workings of the Board, and the condition, progress, and wants of its foreign missions.

TREASURER.

SEC. 6. It shall be the duty of the Treasurer to receive all money belonging to the Conference, to keep an account of the same, to disburse it by order of the Executive Committee, and to make a full report thereof at all sessions of the Conference.

POWERS OF EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE.

SEC. 7. The Executive Committee shall have full administrative power during the intervals between the sessions of the Conference; it shall take the general supervision of all denominational work, and attend to the proper distribution of the laborers. It shall also give credentials to, or license, such ministers as may be employed in General Conference work; and shall fill for the current term any vacancies that may occur in the offices, boards, committees, or agents, by death, resignation, or otherwise.

COMMITTEES.

SEC. 8. The Chair shall appoint, at each regular session of the Conference, the following Committees, to serve during the session: 1. On Credentials of Delegates; 2. On Nominations; 3. On Resolutions; 4. On Ministerial Credentials and Licenses; 5. On Distribution of Labor; 6. On Education; and such other Committees as the business of the Conference may demand.

AUDITING COMMITTEE.

SEC. 9. At each regular session of the Conference the presiding officer shall appoint, unless otherwise voted, a Standing Committee of six delegates, who shall, with the Executive Committee, constitute a committee for auditing and settling all accounts against the Conference.

FOREIGN MISSION COMMITTEE.

SEC. 10. The Conference shall elect a Foreign Mission Committee of six, whose term of office shall be the same as that of the officers of the General Conference.

FOREIGN MISSION BOARD.

SEC. 11. The Executive Committee and the Foreign Mission Committee shall constitute a Foreign Mission Board of fifteen, for the management of the foreign mission work of this Conference.

BOOK COMMITTEE.

SEC. 12. The Conference shall at each regular session elect a Book Committee of thirteen, which shall each year hold at least two meetings at such times and places as will be most convenient for the majority of the members.

It shall be the duty of the Book Committee to labor for the improvement of Seventh-day Adventist denominational literature, (1) by submitting to the authors and publishers judicious criticisms on books already published; (2) by promptly examining all manuscripts submitted to them, and giving advice with reference to their publication.

ARTICLE II.—REPORTS.

SECTION 1. It shall be the duty of the Recording and Corresponding Secretaries of this Conference to furnish such reports as the Executive Committee may require.

SEC. 2. It shall be the duty of all persons employed by this Conference to furnish to the Recording Secretary quarterly and annual reports of all their work and expenditures during such time as they may have been employed.

SEC. 3. It shall be the duty of each local Conference to furnish quarterly to the Recording Secretary of this Conference such statistical reports as the Executive Committee may require.

ARTICLE III.—FUNDS.

The General Conference shall receive first-day offerings, Christmas offerings, donations, and a tenth of the tithes of local Conferences.

The Executive Committee is also authorized to call for donations from local Conferences, churches, or individuals, as the wants of the cause may in their judgment demand.

ARTICLE IV.—ELECTION OF TRUSTEES FOR CORPORATE BODIES.

The Conference shall elect at its regular sessions five Trustees for the General Conference Association of Seventh-day Adventists, a corporation of the city of Battle Creek, Mich., existing under the laws of the State of Michigan.

ARTICLE V.—GOVERNMENT.

All sessions of the Conference shall be governed by the standard parliamentary rules, except as in the By-laws otherwise provided.

The second reading of the report of the committee on consolidation of denominational interests was called for. That part of it providing that the publication and sale of all denominational books shall be under the control of the denomination, called out remarks from C. Eldridge, A. R. Henry, W. C. White, J. O. Corliss, A. T. Jones, and R. M. Kilgore. Pending action on the report, the meeting adjourned.

INTERNATIONAL TRACT SOCIETY PROCEEDINGS.

SIXTH MEETING.

"RESTING BY AND BY," was sung at the opening of this meeting on the afternoon of November 4. Elder R. S. Webber, of Maine, offered prayer, and the minutes of the preceding meeting were approved.

The first business was the report of the Committee on New Books, which follows:—

Your Committee appointed to examine the new books issued by the Seventh-day Adventist publishing houses the past year, would submit the following report:—

Of new books in English, we would recommend—

1. "Civil Government and Religion," by Elder A. T. Jones, a pamphlet of 176 pages, forcibly and logically demonstrating from Scripture and history the proper relation of Church and State. It clearly defines the attitude that American citizens should assume toward the efforts now being made to secure religious legislation.

2. "The National Sunday Law," a pamphlet of 192 pages containing the argument made before the United States Senate Committee, by Elder A. T. Jones, on the Sunday-Rest Bill introduced by Senator Blair. It contains all that was said on that occasion, with answers to all of the Senator's questions and objections written out in full. This pamphlet meets the question of Sunday laws in nearly all its phases.

3. "The Change of the Sabbath," a pamphlet of 218 pages, written by Elder G. I. Butler. He gives in condensed form the evidence of the change of the Sabbath from the seventh to the first day of the week, showing the unhallowed character of that work. While the book affords the opportunity of circulating in convenient form, the facts and arguments bearing on the question, it also will create an interest in the large work entitled, "The History of the Sabbath."

4. "Volume One, Great Controversy," by Mrs. E. G. White. The work has lately been revised, and its readers will find in it that which will interest and profit. It is a subscription book, and is well fitted for that line of trade.

5. "Testimony No. 33." The well known character of these volumes makes any special recommendation or description unnecessary. This book should be thoroughly circulated among the members of the denomination, and we would suggest that our societies take special pains in this direction.

6. "The Sentinel and Bible Student Libraries." We recognize in this literature that which is of great value to the cause of present truth, and in the manner of its circulation, a convenient and economical means of reaching the people. We consider that the publishers deserve the cooperation of the tract societies.

We would urge our State Societies to use their influence and organized methods in putting all the above mentioned books into the hands of the people.

Of works in foreign languages, we would recommend the following:—

1. "Prophecies of Jesus," in the Danish and Swedish. It is well received by the public. A revised and enlarged edition will soon be issued. We believe that our tract societies should take a special interest in procuring Scandinavian canvassers for this book.

2. "Civil Government and Religion," which has been translated into the Danish, and will soon appear in the Swedish. We consider it important for our agents and workers, both American and Scandinavian, to give this pamphlet as wide circulation as possible.

3. "Sunshine at Home" in the Danish. This work has been rewritten and enlarged. We would advise those having charge of the canvassing work, to use the opportunities at their command to secure canvassers for this book, and from those speaking the Danish language.

4. The last revised edition of the "Great Controversy," Vol. IV., has already been translated into the Danish language, and is now in press in Christiania, Norway, and will soon be ready for the market.

5. "Bible Readings for the Home Circle" is now being translated into the Danish language, and will be ready in a few months.

6. The last revised edition of the "Great Controversy," Vol. I., will soon be translated and published in the Danish language.

7. *Guide biblique* or "Scripture References," adapted to the French from a German revision. It contains 32 pages and fills a long-felt want in the French work.

8. *Quia changé a Sabbat ?* or "Who Changed the Sabbath ?" a 32-page French tract by Elder J. H. Waggoner. We consider it worthy of a wide circulation.

9. *Le Souverain Pontifé*, or "The Sovereign Pontiff and the Church of Rome," a pamphlet of 48 pages, in the French. It is an able and forcible discourse on Dan. 7 and the "little horn." It was written by Prof. Gausen, and has been published at Basel by permission of the author's family. Its mission is a useful one.

10. *D' Eden en Eden*, or "From Eden to Eden," by J. H. Waggoner. This book was issued at Basel, Switzerland, last March, appearing simultaneously in the French and German. The work takes in the entire scope of redemption, and its facts and principles are stated in an entertaining and forcible manner. Its appropriate illustrations and attractive style will secure for it many interested readers. We would urge our societies to give this book the attention it deserves.

"From Eden to Eden" will soon be issued in the English. The Pacific Press Pub. Co. will have an edition ready for the subscription book trade in a few weeks. What is said above in regard to the French and German editions, will also apply to the English edition.

SUPPLEMENTARY.

There is a call for publications as follows:—

The Atonement and Christian Baptism in the Swedish; Tithing, important Testimonies of Mrs. White, the Spirit of God; its Offices and Gifts, in the Swedish and Danish languages; therefore, we would request the Book Committee to consider the practicability of meeting the demands in this direction as soon as possible.

L. T. NICOLA, *Chairman*.

O. A. Johnson, representing the Scandinavian cause, said that there were quite a number of books needed in that language. Among others he mentioned, "Ministration of Angels," a work on Spiritualism, and another on the Sanctuary. The report of the Committee was adopted.

The chair then appointed the following Committee to carry out the recommendation of the first resolution, found on the second column of page 132 of the BULLETIN: L. C. Chadwick, D. T. Jones, C. Eldridge. Upon motion of C. H. Jones, the following names were added to the Committee: L. Dyo Chambers, A. O. Tait.

A supplementary report from the committee on resolutions was presented as follows:—

Resolved, That we request the General Conference to provide for the support of a district canvassing agent in each of the districts of the General Conference.

Resolved, That we approve of and recommend the adoption of the plans for circulating religious liberty literature, which were set forth in the August *Home Missionary Extra*, pages 4 and 5.

The second resolution on last column of page 124 of the BULLETIN was then called up and amended by inserting the words "for free distribution" after the word "literature." As amended it was adopted.

The last resolution on the first column of the same page of the BULLETIN was then amended by inserting the words "two-thirds of" after the word "that"

in the fifth line, and striking out the word "unanimously" in the last line.

C. Eldridge spoke decidedly against the resolution, because he thought that the principle of incorporating each State by itself is wrong. He thought that the States would better deed their property to the General Conference Association, if they wanted to hold property legally. He said it was better to consolidate under one general head.

W. C. White could see present advantages in State incorporations; but he did not think that it would prove the best in the end. "There is," he said, "a growing desire to have all the general work be directed by the General Conference," and he therefore recommended that the whole matter be referred to the Conference.

In answer to some remarks from a previous speaker, L. C. Chadwick said that in Pennsylvania the society had incorporated for their own protection. They did not think it was a matter over which the International Society had, or desired to have, control. He was in favor of the resolution, and thought it ought to be adopted for the encouragement of the other States, if for no other purpose. As for Pennsylvania, he said that when the proper time should arrive, that State was ready to transfer their property to the General Conference Association.

R. M. Kilgore spoke in favor of the resolution.

A vote was then taken and the resolution was rejected.

The report of the Committee on Resolutions, concerning the support of District Canvassing Agents, was then considered. C. Eldridge said that it would be a decided advantage to the General Conference to grant just such a request as the one embodied in the resolution. He showed that \$25,000 tithes were paid into the cause last year from the profits on books. This he thought to be a matter worth looking after. L. Dyo Chambers also spoke on the same line, after which the resolution was adopted.

The other resolution, presented with the one just adopted, was next considered. C. Eldridge thought the plan suggested was open to some criticisms, but he did not wish to lay anything in the way of the passage of the resolution. The chair said that some plan ought to be adopted at this meeting that would give the brethren the opportunity of taking hold of some line of work unitedly, immediately upon the close of the Conference. The resolution was then tabled.

The Committee on Resolutions still further reported the following:—

WHEREAS, There are persons in our churches, who are not able to enter the work as field canvassers, but who could do good work as local agents for our health and temperance literature; and,—

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The Annual Report of International Tract Society for the Year Ending June 30, 1889.

SOCIETIES.	No. of local societies in your State.	No. holding weekly missionary meetings.	Have you a State District?	No. of members.	Per cent reporting.	Letters written.		Letters received.		Visits made.		Bible read'gs held.		No. subs. obtained for periodicals.		Pages of publications distributed by agents.	Pages of publications distributed by other members.	No. periodicals distributed.	
						Agents.	Other members.	Agents.	Other members.	Agents.	Other members.	Agents.	Other members.	Agents.	Other members.			Agents.	Other members.
Arkansas.....				118	61		727		473		550		601		228		922,840		6,712
California.....	45	23	Yes	1,600			14,173			14,579	141,360	9,210	2,485	871	714	3,638,646	1,354,416	69,171	337,922
Colorado.....	10	9	Yes	250	29	310	426	45	33	4,329	1,621	116	195	284	208	486,698	161,052	2,598	14,345
South Atlantic.....				65	10		163		68		2,115		95		320		59,052		2,529
Illinois.....	26	5	Yes	427	37	524	1,061	140	380	9,374	2,819	1,752	779	54	279	727,408	370,906	2,465	76,353
Indiana.....	40		Yes	527	43		694	15,000	244	15,000	6,917		504		549	1,675,800	643,005	12,000	7,919
Iowa.....		12		1,187	43	182	2,520	96	1,049	5,932	5,685	964	1,018	20	754	312,300	929,366	2,558	58,162
Kansas.....		14	No	762	18		1,487		151		9,557		355		4,309		384,264		17,587
Minnesota.....	70	11		1,108	54	577	3,432	309	1,134	3,564	20,095	297	167	186	645	991,260	945,564	1,276	61,192
Michigan.....	128	15		2,881	32	354	6,793	92	2,308	5,802	19,849	408	3,884	165	1,874	264,087	1,341,397	4,251	199,698
Missouri.....	22	3	Yes	317	26	114	627	27	268	959	8,496	37	741	23	195	6,540	44,211	169	1,624
Maine.....	21		Yes	259	80	947	1,029	361	769	3,624	3,979	268		29	36	3,160	1,223	948	10,689
Nebraska.....	40	8	Yes	435	33	625	1,080	175	267	9,505	3,809	1,492	948	632	1,166	479,079	1,133,946	3,372	31,981
New York.....	33	3	No	541	31	368	840	178	353	3,088	3,423	307	322	120	52	360,726	212,247	964	15,273
New England.....	26	15	Yes	337	62	5,949	2,473	815	933	20,666	2,765	644	489	484	107	1,634,249	368,474	22,909	43,559
North Pacific.....				368			1,159		237		4,308		706		2,288		649,981		17,908
Ohio.....	47		Yes	638	24		946		310		14,272		1,607		1,945				5,439
Pennsylvania.....	43	7	No	660	76		2,461		1,680		10,162		2,640		3,064		4,235,793		62,870
Quebec.....	7			94	30		105		13		635		9		83		578,315		1,548
South Dakota.....	23		Yes	541	58	219	1,629	38	325	2,184	2,518	497	783	345	63	1,176,608	323,578	3,299	27,306
Texas.....	13	2	Yes	368	23	74	554	14	80	426	1,242		93	313	96	36,565	325,563	206	10,640
Tennessee.....																			
Upper Columbia.....	18	2		212	31		756		47		2,559		462		235		236,115		
Vermont.....	19		No	304	35	112	300	40	242	1,773	4,586	393	72		39	211,540	278,479	1,712	15,377
Virginia.....	4		No	42	21	170	17		97	1,442	245	4	6	7	6	69,860	14,272	654	341
West Virginia.....	4	2	Yes	42	48	105	248	55	107	1,954	2,172	48	113	59	59	132,343	146,137	130	2,322
Wisconsin.....	60	5	Yes	1,007	44	258	2,003	93	624	4,330	5,710	2,196	987	263	1,271	227,765	2,023,822	3,338	42,949
Totals.....	609	136		15,040	359	10,888	43,203	2,575	11,146	109,031	277,454	18,726	20,231	3,642	20,579	12,435,064	17,638,523	132,010	1,122,745
Australian.....				171	61	19	1,451	5	197	452	2,653	71	474		553	840,133	248,008	651	20,321
British.....	7	1	No	74	15		2,428		275		4,355		1,225		127		955,804		39,139
New Zealand.....				40	20		90		62		472		193		72		51,141		419
Scandinavian.....	12		No	271	10		269		128		1,340		361		104		233,920		2,888
South Africa.....	4			57	19		352		105		3,296		209		1,100		126,159		17,460
Central Europe.....	14	3	Yes	254	65		3,435		518		1,223		208		73		63,178		18,110
Totals.....	37	4		367	190	19	8,025	5	1,235	452	13,344	71	2,670		2,029	840,133	1,678,205	651	98,337

SOCIETIES.	No. of cities of 10,000 or more inhab'ts, not yet entered by workers.	No. read'g r'ms supplied during yr. with any of our relig's periodicals.	No. with health jour'n'ls.	No. of fract distributors in use.	No. Directors who have devoted time to their district work.	No. of towns having no mission entered for the first time by workers.	No. of society or church mem. who have circulated Rel. Lib. Pet'ns.	No. studying lessons on National Reform in Home Missionary.	Am't rec'd on sale of subscription books.	Wholesale value of publications sold to ag'ts.	Am't rec'd on books, tracts, and periodicals.	Fourth - Sabbath and other donations.	Memberships and special donations.	First-day offerings.	Total receipts.	Value of periodicals sold.	Excess of resources over liabilities.
Arkansas.....								\$.....	\$1,407.52	\$.....	\$.....	\$.....	\$.....	\$ 27.80	\$2,890.99	\$ 180.48	\$ 556.54
California.....		27	46	125	18	80	500			1,595.40	1,507.02	169.25	1,044.46	11,454.12	5,571.43	4,341.93	
Colorado.....	3	4				5		2,277.58	50.00	988.59			664.90	4,605.97		1,824.50	
South Atlantic.....													43.26		105.05		
Illinois.....	15	2		10	4	18	129	11,551.25	11,701.25	764.68	252.20	45.07	317.55			5,994.00	
Indiana.....	6	3	1		2	6			7,000.00		3.50		129.19	6,086.60		1,446.80	
Iowa.....	2	4	9	13		11	450		8,664.00	11,292.84		825.61	1,481.00	22,613.54	1,765.47	7,937.60	
Kansas.....		3	2	48	2	11	182	7,452.63	6,299.36	4,670.74	481.91		296.63	12,902.21	1,783.17	8,696.21	
Minnesota.....		13	7	26	9		187		12,582.42							9,906.19	
Michigan.....		90	164	31	11	16	694	343	4,846.73	6,033.85		3,673.23	2,651.34			5,240.94	
Missouri.....		2		1	2		84	65	3,100.21					122.67			
Maine.....			2	2	4		50		596.75	306.78	21.94			919.76	49.27	102.80	
Nebraska.....			10	7	2		85	100	1,370.21	1,500.00	394.50	120.69	50.35	323.19	11,354.51	63.85	9,110.42
New York.....	11	3		4	6	4	127	83	3,476.29	2,155.65	22.03	335.33	72.35	248.43	5,328.49	2,439.52	
New England.....	10	66	51	10		39	44	85	9,479.63	10,023.70	3,771.44	910.36	144.00	790.02	17,993.28	2,669.74	
North Pacific.....																	
Ohio.....	2			10					4,959.27	7,916.69				272.27	10,122.05	3,486.46	
Pennsylvania.....	21	11	4	10	10	13	123	249	13,783.25	14,896.45	326.80	142.55	456.56	19,253.20		6,208.40	
Quebec.....	3	1		15	4	11	46		1,016.07		1,259.04	10.50	101.40	34.32			
South Dakota.....				15	4	11	46		3,381.40	3,798.32	4,890.33	184.12	75.00	789.28	7,371.65	889.67	6,894.25
Texas.....	9		6			17	73	33	2,177.50	1,136.95	1,634.86	88.15	1,305.37	127.23	5,533.32	2,556.81	
Tennessee.....																	
Upper Columbia.....		3	3	8			49	7	1,037.33		1,119.45	72.95	13.00	163.35	2,431.13	1,813.67	
Vermont.....		1			3	1	70		1,268.35		1,776.62	90.51	91.23	223.91	3,446.63	1,231.39	
Virginia.....	7					1	12	15	151.50	200.00	42.09	6.80	4.75	10.66	6.00	250.75	
West Virginia.....	3					1	9	19	1,543.56	2,980.00				16.70	1,635.47	769.07	
Wisconsin.....	7	5	1	12	9	9			3,206.00		6,026.35			496.37		2,608.73	
Totals.....	99	288	288	341	92	220	2,914	1,376	65,430.08	101,694.95	57,437.36	4,412.28	6,713.21	10,736.09	146,222.87	10,419.39	81,136.72
Australian.....											141.33			54.70	1,886.80		
British.....		106	173							2,428.76		48.13			2,476.89		
New Zealand b.....															118.10		
Scandinavian.....	10	9	4	1	2	18			9,389.73	115.91	42.02	40.10		9,764.51	5.90		
South Africa.....	1	20		1						3,216.63							
Central Europe.....			15	4	25					2,072.80							
Totals.....	11	135	197	6	27	18			\$9,389.73	\$5,434.15	\$183.35	\$88.23	\$54.70	\$14,246.39	\$5.90		

a, Amount received on books, tracts, and periodicals, and Fourth Sabbath donations.

b, Six months.

c, 9 months.

d, and donations.

e, ministers, and agents, report for only last quarter.

BALANCE SHEET AND STATEMENT OF THE INTERNATIONAL TRACT SOCIETY.

FOR THE YEAR (OF NINE MONTHS) ENDING JUNE 30, 1889.

	Balances of accounts.		Inventory.	Losses and gains.		Stock.		Resources and liabilities.	
	DR.	CR.							
Present worth Oct. 1, 1888.....		\$11,698 96	....	....	....	....	\$11,698 96	....	....
Pacific Press.....		141 15	....	....	....	....	....	....	\$141 15
Imprimerie Polyglotte Office.....	\$285 42	....	....	....	....	....	....	\$285 42	....
Present Truth ".....		78 76	....	....	....	....	....	....	78 76
Bible Echo ".....		391 79	....	....	....	....	....	....	391 79
Sundhedsbladet ".....		20 71	....	....	....	....	....	....	20 71
N. Y. branch Pacific Press.....		40 42	....	....	....	....	....	....	40 42
Good Health Pub. Co.....		5 21	....	....	....	....	....	....	5 21
Merchandise.....	2,424 67	....	\$2,239 75	*\$184 92	....	....	....	2,239 75	....
Office fixtures.....	48 40	....	41 40	7 00	....	....	....	41 40	....
Periodicals.....	621 96	....	....	*621 96	....	....	....	....	....
Home Missionary.....		399 31	....	....	....	....	....	....	399 31
Donations.....		763 57	....	....	....	....	....	....	763 57
Life membership.....		52 78	....	....	....	....	....	....	52 78
Loss and gain.....	10 41	....	....	10 41	....	....	....	....	....
Expense.....	330 90	....	....	*330 90	....	....	....	....	....
Religious Liberty canvass.....	980 49	....	....	980 49	....	....	....	....	....
Fourth-Sabbath readings for 1888.....	314 06	....	....	314 06	....	....	....	....	....
Labor (for transient help).....	26 49	....	....	26 49	....	....	....	....	....
Ship work.....	983 14	....	....	983 14	....	....	....	....	....
School missionary libraries.....	50 00	....	....	†50 00	....	....	....	....	....
Accounts receivable.....	1,174 49	....	....	....	....	....	....	1,174 49	....
" payable.....		36 33	....	....	....	....	....	....	36 33
Cash June 30, 1889.....	6,372 96	....	....	....	....	....	....	6,372 96	....
	\$18,623 99	\$13,623 99							
			Net Loss.....	....	\$3,509 97	\$3,509 97			
					\$3,509 97	\$3,509 97			
			Balance, Present Worth, June 30, 1889.....			8,183 99	....	....	8,183 99
						\$11,693 96	\$11,698 96	\$10,114 02	\$10,114 02

* Amounts expended from Oct. 1, 1888 to June 30, 1889 in the gratuitous distribution of publications, in the regular work of the Society, over and above all receipts going to the credits of these accounts. On Merchandise, however, nearly half the amount comes from extra discounts on the Inventory.

† To South Lancaster Academy.

STATEMENT ON THE HOME MISSIONARY FOR THE FIRST SIX MONTHS, JANUARY-JUNE, 1889.

	English.	German.	Danish & Swedish.	Totals.
Amount received on yearly subscription	\$618 43	\$ 42 80	\$ 47 60	\$708 83
Cost for six numbers, January-June	*309 52	116 70	233 40	659 62
Proportion of receipts for six months	309 21	21 40	28 80	359 41
Loss on six months		95 30	209 60	305 21
Number on mailing list in January	31			
	2,310 cop.			
Ditto June 30	6,212 cop.	420 cop.	850 cop.	

*This does not include editorial work, nor wages of clerk on mailing list.

DETAILS CONCERNING THE RELIGIOUS LIBERTY CANVASS BY THE INTERNATIONAL SOCIETY, DEC. 1888-JUNE 30, 1889.

DEBITS.		
71,700	<i>Battle Creek Journal</i>	\$422 30
232,250	<i>American Sentinel</i>	713 13
39,440	English petitions with electros	188 76
3,000	German " "	24 66
1,000	Holland " "	14 16
1,000	Swedish " "	14 16
1,000	French " "	9 75
	U. S. Constitution tracts, cases for petitions, etc.	21 92
	Work marking <i>Journals</i> , and on "	39 00
	Circulars and suggestions	38 48
	Total	\$1,486 82
CREDITS.		
	Receipts on <i>B. C. Journal</i>	428 13
	" " <i>Sentinel</i> and tracts	78 20
	Total	506 33
	Total indebtedness on the canvass June 30, 1889	\$980 49

Note.—About 70,000 of the *Journals*, and 251,000 of the *Sentinels* were distributed by the State Societies and others outside the International Society Office.

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WHEREAS, There are many book agents and temperance workers in places where there are no Seventh-day Adventist churches who could be encouraged to act as local and field agents for health and temperance works; and,—

WHEREAS, In many State societies the State canvassing agent cannot engage in this line of work without impairing his efficiency as manager of the field canvass; therefore,—

Resolved, That we recommend that an assistant State canvassing agent be chosen in the same manner as the State agent, to work in harmony with the latter, in appointing and instructing agents for the health and temperance literature.

Resolved, That we approve of the proposition of the Sanitarium, to pay one-half the salary of an assistant State agent while engaged in this work, and that we recommend the prosecution of this work as far as can be done without taking workers from the canvass for religious books, or detracting in any way from the interest of that work.

Dr. J. H. Kellogg being called on, expressed surprise at a voluntary resolution from the International Tract Society, recommending the dissemination of health literature. For all that, he said he was not opposed to the resolution, since it looked toward helping the denomination through the Sanitarium, and health publications. The more of such literature that is scattered, the more extensively would be understood the work of the Sanitarium, and the more people would be brought within the range of our denominational work. He was, he said, heartily in favor of the resolution.

The resolution was laid over until the next meeting, after which the Committee on Constitution and Work, presented through its chairman, L. C. Chadwick, the following:—

Your Committee would respectfully recommend that article three of the Constitution of the International Tract Society, shall be so amended that it will read as follows:—

The officers of this Society shall consist of a President, a Vice-President, a Treasurer, a Recording Secretary, two or more Corresponding Secretaries, as many Assistant Secretaries as may from year to year be deemed necessary, a General Canvassing Agent, who shall have the general oversight of the canvassing work in the entire field, and an Executive Board of nine, of which the President, Vice-President, and General Canvassing Agent shall by virtue of their office be members.

These officers shall be elected at the annual meetings of the society; with the exception of the General Canvassing Agent, who shall be appointed by the General Conference Committee and the President and Vice-President of this society.

That the following be added to article four:—

They shall also appoint a District Canvassing Agent for each of the districts of the General Conference, who shall have the oversight of the canvassing work in their respective fields, under the direction of the General Canvassing Agent.

The meeting then adjourned.

SEVENTH-DAY ADVENTIST PUBLISHING ASSOCIATION.

FOURTH MEETING.

THIS meeting was called at 5 P. M., Monday, November 4. After singing, prayer was offered by Elder J. N. Loughborough, and the minutes of the last meeting were read and approved.

It was voted that the Committee to whom was referred the resolution concerning a monthly or bi-monthly canvassing journal (see BULLETIN, page 133,

first column), be requested to report to the International Tract Society.

Elder R. A. Underwood presented the following:—

Resolved, That we favor the present efforts to secure the consolidation of the various publishing interests of the denomination.

This resolution was adopted without discussion, and the Association adjourned *sine die*.

NATIONAL RELIGIOUS LIBERTY ASSOCIATION.

A MEETING of this Association was called by the President, C. Eldridge, at 5:30 p. m., Monday, Nov. 4. A solo was rendered by T. S. Parmelee, and prayer was offered by J. O. Corliss. The first thing called for was the report of the Committee on By-laws. These were read by J. O. Corliss, chairman of the committee, and were adopted. They read as follows:—

1. The National Religious Liberty Association shall be an independent organization, unsectarian and nonpartisan.

2. This Association shall have an organ, through which to advocate its principles and advertise and mould its work.

3. No literature shall be published or circulated under the name of this Society by any of its officers or members until it has been indorsed by the Executive Committee of the Association.

4. All matter for publication in newspapers shall be subject to the inspection and approval of the President and at least a majority of the Editorial Committee, before it is sent out by the Secretary; provided, that in the absence of the editorial quorum, the President and first Vice-President may act as members of the Editorial Committee.

5. The duty of employing legal counsel, and defending members indicted for violating religious laws, shall devolve upon the Executive Committee; but this power may be delegated to the Vice-Presidents in the several States when necessary.

6. No act or decision involving great expense, or change in the working of the Association, shall be valid unless at the time the decision or act is voted upon, a majority of the Executive Committee shall be present.

7. The President shall preside at all meetings of the Executive Committee, have power, by and with the consent of the Committee, to appoint State officers, employ lecturers, and take care at all times that the will of the Committee be faithfully executed.

8. The Secretary shall keep a record of all meetings of the Executive Committee, and with his assistant maintain a correspondence with Press Agents and members in various parts of the field relative to the publication of newspaper articles and other matter approved by the Editorial and Executive Committees.

9. Vice-Presidents shall be required to enlist the co-operation of ministers, lawyers, school-teachers, and business men everywhere, in the work of circulating petitions to Congress, and to State legislatures, in opposition to religious legislation; also in selling and distributing pamphlets, tracts, periodicals, which point out the evils of religious legislation, or the union, in any form, of religion and the State. They shall also, under the direction of the Executive Committee, assist in the defense of any member of the Society, within their States, who may be prosecuted for non-compliance with religious enactments.

10. District Secretaries shall lecture on the subject of religious liberty in all its phases; secure signatures to the petitions opposing religious legislation, and also obtain all possible co-operation in such work, and in the dissemination of literature in harmony with the aim of the Association.

11. Press Agents shall be empowered, with the concurrence of the Vice-Presidents and District Secretaries of their respective States, to select and appoint in each county seat and city of their States, responsible persons who are in sympathy with the object of the Association, and who will act in its behalf by working with local editors to bring to their attention the importance of the question of religious liberty, and to get their influence in behalf of the aim of the Association.

12. The general meetings of the Association shall be held annually at such time and place as may be agreed upon by the Executive Committee.

13. The Executive Committee shall audit the accounts of the Treasurer, and make a report of the same at the annual meetings of the Association.

14. These By-laws may be amended by a two-thirds' vote of the members present, at any annual meeting of the Association, or at any regular meeting called for that purpose, due notice having been given of such meeting.

The Society then proceeded to elect officers, as follows:—

President—C. Eldridge.

First Vice-President—D. T. Jones.

Secretary—W. H. McKee.

Assistant Secretary—A. F. Ballenger.

Treasurer—W. H. Edwards.

Executive Committee—C. Eldridge, D. T. Jones, W. H. McKee, A. T. Jones, W. A. Colcord, L. A. Smith, A. F. Ballenger.

Editorial Committee—W. H. McKee, A. T. Jones, L. A. Smith, E. J. Waggoner, W. A. Colcord.

A. F. Ballenger then introduced the following:—

In view of the effort soon to be made to secure the passage by Congress, of a national Sunday law, we urge the immediate appointment by the State Press Agents, of local agents in every city or town in their district where access to a newspaper can be had and a competent person can be found to act.

The Association adopted the resolution, and the meeting adjourned.