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The near relatives who survive are two daughters and their families, and one brother and one sister. Helen, the oldest daughter, her husband, IVan Ash, and their daughter Judie are living in Chicago, Ill., and Lillian the younger daughter, her husband, Rolland Fague, and son Donald are living in Picture Rocks, Pa. They are the survivors of the immediate family. At Hustontown, Pa., a brother, David Newman, and a sister, Mrs. E. O. Kesselring, are living to mourn the loss of a loved but now departed brother.

W. A. FAUS.

#### WILLIAM MASLIN FRYSINGER

William Maslin Frysinger, son of George Frysinger, Jr., and Sarah Barnitz Frysinger, was born in Hanover, Pennsylvania, April 18, 1840. His first wife was Sarah E. Quin. His second wife was Laura E. Zeigler, to whom he was married September 28, 1904. Her death preceded his by nine days. He died November 8, 1933, at Healdsburg, California. A double funeral was conducted for himself and wife by the Rev. James H. Phillips, pastor of the Methodist Episcopal Church at Sebastopol, California, at three o'clock November 9, 1933. Interment at Sebastopol.

It is difficult to write a record of his life and work. The sources of information are so limited. Fewer than ninety members of the Conference now living could have known him; of these, only a few knew him intimately. He served only six pastoral charges within the bounds of our Conference. However, the following facts are accurate and the few conclusions may be safely drawn.

He was converted at the age of twelve. He received his academic education at Lewistown, Pa., and then learned the printing trade. At the age of twenty he was offered a position in a Philadelphia printing establishment at a salary of \$1,000 a year. He refused this to enter the ministry of the Methodist Episcopal Church. He was admitted to the East Baltimore Conference in 1861. His first appointment was York Mission, now Duke Street, then unorganized. His salary for the first year was \$100.

His other appointments were: Mt. Holly, '63-'64; Baltimore, Huntington Avenue, '65-'67; Altoona, '68; Baltimore Conference, '69; Carlisle, Emory Chapel, '70-'72; Sunday School and Tract Agency, '73; Supernumerary, '74-'77; Superintendent, Harrisburg Book Rooms, '78-'82; President, Centenary Biblical Institute, now Morgan College, Baltimore, '83-'88; Editor Baltimore Methodist, '89-'93; Carlisle, Allison Memorial, '94-'98; Tyrone, First Church, '99; Bloomsburg, 1900-'02; Secretary Annuity Fund, '03; Retirement, '04.

He received the degrees of Master of Arts and Doctor of Divinity from Dickinson College.

From the above we make this summary. He lived to the age of ninety-three. He was a Christian eighty-one years; a Methodist minister seventy-three years; a student far above the average; of such outstanding ability that, after having spent almost the whole of his active ministerial years in detached service, he could come back to the pastorate and be assigned to three of the important appointments in the Conference.

For a further estimate of him it has been necessary to depend largely upon impressions gained almost forty years ago. These have been confirmed

and strengthened by competent judges who sat in his congregations and were members of his parish.

He was short and slender, giving one the impression of physical frailty. If this were true, it was not true of his spirit or his work. As a preacher with such evident sincerity and personal conviction that his messages were impressive. No frail messages came from his lips.

His pastoral care was just as conscientious. Into it he carried a sweet, brotherly spirit that was not only for the intelligencia nor the sheep with the long fleece but also for the poor and aged among whom he toiled faithfully.

This interest in the aged was carried over into the Conference body. Whatever there may have been in the past, is in the present or will be in the future of pecuniary relief in the homes of our preachers, who, in years of the ure to this man. He was one of those of our body who, in the years long past, planned for an adequate support for the retired minister and his wife freely of his time and money to the Annuity Fund and was a member of the Mutual Beneficial Association.

Years ago he passed from our sight and fellowship. Were he to be back for this session of Conference, to most of our body it would mean no more than the coming of a visiting minister of the Church. The session in which he is sitting today is the larger and ever-increasing body of our Conference. To them he is no stranger and there he is very much at home.

J. V. ROYER.

### ROLLIN S. TAYLOR

Rollin Stewart Taylor, the subject of this memoir, was born September 23, 1862, in Rockbridge County, Virginia, a few miles from Rockbridge Springs, or Rockbridge Alum Springs, as the place is now called.

Rollin Stewart Taylor was the son of the Rev. Andrew Edwards Taylor, whose distinguished brother was Brother William Taylor. Andrew Taylor was, at the time of Rollin's birth, a member of the Baltimore Conference of the Methodist Episcopal Church, and later when the Central Pennsylvania Conference was organized, he transferred to the latter named body in 1869.

The Rev. Stewart Taylor, Rollin Taylor's grandfather, was a local preacher of great power and usefulness in the Methodist Episcopal Church, with residence at Rockbridge Baths, Virginia.

Rollin Stewart Taylor was called upon of God to continue unbroken the line of ministerial profession, characteristic of the Taylor family, for another generation. His son, Rollin H., is the representative of the present generation. Accordingly, Rollin S. Taylor was received on trial in Mulberry Street Church, williamsport, Pa., in the year of our Lord, 1884. He was received into full spring of 1886. He received his elders orders in Old Pine Street Church, the liamsport, 1888. Incidentally, Rollin H., his son, was ordained an elder in the