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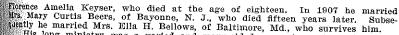
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Hurn, James A. 1902-04, North Egremont; '05-09, Phoenicia; '10-11, South Bethlehem; '12-13, Falls Village; '14-15, Gardnertown; '16, Downsylls, '17-22, Livingston Manor and Parksville; '23-24, Red Hook; '25-Milton Wayner House,' 100 and 100 Mayner House,' 100 Mayner House,' 100 and 100 Mayner House,' 100 and 100 Mayner House,' 100 and 100 Mayner House,' 100 Ma

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Iglehart, Edwin T. 1900, Washingtonville; '01-04, Carmel; Japan Conf., '01. 07, New York Conf.; '08-Missionary in Japan.

ian, Jonas. 1892-93, Purchase; '94-95, Lake Mahopac; '96-1900, Armond and Middle Patent; '01-03, Wappingers Falls; '04-08, Hyde Park and Staatsburg; '09-10, Perry St.; '11-13, Jane St., New York; '14-15, Central Pleasantville; '16-18, Philmont; '19-23, Cold Spring; '24—Rhinebeck.

dleson, Arthur. 1890-91, Mongaup Valley; '92-93, Yorktown Heights: '91 Pine Bush; '95-97, Deposit; '98-1901, Grace, Newburgh; '02-04, Eighteend St.; '05-10, Supt. Newburgh Dist.; '11, St. Paul's, Peekskill; '12-18, Park Ave., New York; '19, Washington Square, New York; '20—Duane, New Jamieson, Arthur.

Johnson, F. Ernest. Detroit Conf., 1908, Holly, Mich.; '09-11, Left without appointment to attend school; New York Conf., '12-13, St. Paul's, New York (Associate); '14-15, Forty-fourth St., New York; '16, Principal, New York Deaconess Training School; '17, Principal School for Christian Work New York Deaconess Home; '18-19, Duane, New York; '20-23, Research Sec. Fed. Council of Churches of Christ in America; '24—Executive Sec. Fed. Council of Research and Education Edders! Council of Churches retary, Department of Research and Education, Federal Council of Church

Jones, John. Dakota Conf., 1899-1902, Coleman; '03-08, Dell Rapids; Vermont Conf., '09-13, Bethany, Hardwick; East Maine Conf., '14-16, Clark Memorial, Bar Harbor; '17-18, Knight Memorial, Calais; New York Conf., '19-20, Coeymans; '21, Bloomville and Roses Brook; '22-23, Pine Bush '24-25, Garrison, North and South Highland; '26—Chelsea.

Keil, Charles J. F. 1921-22, Urlton and Lambs Corners; '23-24, Conwallville and East Durham; '25, Pine Hill and Shandaken; '26—Athens

Keil, Donald T. 1926-27-Left without appointment to attend school; '26-Vails Gate and Mountainville.

Kerr, Grenville E. r, Grenville E. 1891-92, Copake; '93-94, Wing Station; '9E-97, Bloomingburg; '98-1902, Spencertown; '03-06, Jefferson; '07-08, Arkville and '18—Retired. '19-12, Bloomville; '13-15, Windham; '16-17, Woodstock

Keyser, S. Gedney. 1869-71, Hillside and Riverside; '72-73, Modena; '74-16 Sugar Loaf; '77-79, Cornwall; '80, Highland; '81-82, Plattekill Valley and Rossville; '83-84, Lake Mahopac; '85, Dobbs Ferry; '86-88, Franklin '89-91, Delhi; '92-94, Hunter; '95-97, Goldens Bridge; '98, West Pleasant ville; '99-1902, Great Barrington; '03-05, Hartsdale; '06, Roxbury; '07, Athens; '08-10, Banksville and Armonk; '11-13, Yorktown Heights; '14-15, Stockport and Stottsville; '16-17, Fishkill; '18—Retired.

Kikelhan, Richard. 1884, Fort Montgomery; '85-87, Belivale; '88-89, Esophia einan, Michard. 1984, Port Montgomery; 59-51, Bellvale; 50-53, Bellvale; and Cold Springs Corners; '90-92, Montgomery; '93-95, Sloatsburg; '98, Andes; '99, Superannuated; 1900-01, Yorktown Heights; '02-03, Hyd Park; '04, Gardnertown; '05-11, Haines Falls; '12—Retired.

Kilburn, Rolla A. 1913, Left without appointment to attend school; '14, Fire Church, Pleasantville; '15-16, Vails Gate; '17-18, East Branch; '19, Chap' lain in U. S. Army; '20, Interchurch World Movement; '21—Director, Rural Leadership Dept., Board of Home Missions.

Killinder, Herbert. Cincinnati Conf., 1908-19, Mutual; '11, Christiansburg, '12-13, New Burlington; '14-17, Bethany and Princeton; '18, Chaplandermy Y. M. C. A.; '19-21, Asbury, Toledo; '20-23, Mt. Healthy, Cincinnation New York Conf., '24-26, Andes and Pleasant Valley; '27—Marlboro,

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Mace, Obed. 1: '10, New B Heights; '1 lawn Height

Mackey, Charles cinnati; '96 New York '11-12, Lee Stephen's, N