

# Official Minutes

OF THE

THIRTY-EIGHTH SESSION

OF THE

# Delaware Annual Conference

OF THE

METHODIST EPISCOPAL CHURCH

HELD IN

Asbury M. E. Church, Atlantic City, N. J.

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ANNUAL MINUTES OF THE  
SUNDAY SERVICES.

the Conference Lovefeast was held in the Academy of Music, Dr. J. R. Waters, Presiding Elder of Salisbury District. At D. A. Goodsell preached an able and delightful sermon from a large and most appreciative audience.

MEMORIAL SERVICES.

Memorial Services were held at 3 P. M. at St. Paul's M. E. Church, Tonroe, chairman of the committee, presiding. The hymn, "There is a land of pure delight," was sung. M. H. Horsey, organist, ayer. The singing was led by Madam Abbie Wright Lyon. Goodsell delivered a touching memorial tribute of the life, character and death of Bishop Ninde. Services were presented as follows, interspersed with appropriate

MEMORIAL ADDRESSES.

Memorial addresses in memory of the following deceased ministers presented as follows:  
 1. by C. L. Anderson.  
 2. by L. W. Deakins.  
 3. by Washington, by I. H. White.  
 4. the following persons were appropriately mentioned:  
 5. marriage, wife of the late Asbury Grinnage, by J. H. Scott.  
 6. wife of John Holly, by I. H. White.  
 7. Adams, mother of Rev. J. K. Adams, by W. C. Dickerson.  
 8. ore, father of W. J. Moore, by J. W. Bond.  
 9. of her very recent death, no paper could be prepared in the name of Emeline Hubbard, mother of J. H. B. Hubbard, but permission for suitable mention in the minutes.  
 10. was given to the Secretary relative to life of Mrs. Emeline

ORDINATION OF DEACONS AND ELDERS.

Memorial services at St. Paul's M. E. Church, Bishop Goodsell presiding, deacons and four elders, as follows:

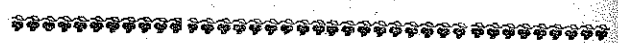


CERTIFICATE OF ORDINATION.

Be it certified that on the 21st day of April A. D., 1901, I ordained the following as deacons: David D. W. Turpeau, Robert J. Hart S. John, Thos. W. Cooper, Sam'l F. Ward; and, assisted by the following as elders: John W. Fenderson, Robert G. Ward, Parker, Wm. J. L. Hughes.

D. S. GOODSSELL,  
Presiding Bishop.

Atlantic City, N. J.



Memoirs

PETER BURROWS.

The Rev. Peter Burrows, son of the late Francis and Esther Burrows, was born December 13, 1817, in Dorchester county, Md. Here he was reared, and married at the age of 22 to Miss Hester A. Mitchell. Of this union there were born ten children, three of whom are now living. They were permitted to have the companionship of each other for about 19 years, when God claimed her for His own. On the 27th of October, 1858, he again chose for himself a helpmeet in the person of Mrs. Delia Thompson. Of this marriage there are now living three daughters.

Having felt the divine call to the holy ministry, Peter Burrows laid aside monetary emoluments and followed the Heavenly Master to become a "fisher of men." He connected himself with the Delaware Annual Conference at Wilmington, Del., in 1865, and remained in the effective work until 1893. For 28 years he blew the trumpet as a trusty watchman, giving it no uncertain sound, rousing the wicked with the judgment's dread alarm, edifying the believer until the Christ became his "all and in all." During these years he served his church honestly, courageously and well at Easton, Wilmington, Del., Salem, N. J., Milford, Del., Harrington, Del., Camden, N. J., Marion, Md., Pomona, Salem, Md., and Hurlock, four years Presiding Elder.

While in Camden, N. J., he lost by death his loving wife, who went to be with Jesus. He married for the third time in February, 1882, Mrs. Harriet Johnson, who now survives him.

Having superannuated in 1893, he retired to his home near Airey's, Md., where he lived until his death. His last illness began January 2, 1901, and he lingered until February 22, 1901, when he heard the voice of Jesus saying, "Come, ye blessed of my Father, inherit the kingdom prepared for you." He left this earthly house and went to dwell with his Lord, in the rest prepared for the people of God. To the home of the blest he has gone, there to await his brothers and to greet those whom he "has loved and lost, long since awhile."

L. W. DEAKINS.

NATHAN YOUNG.

Rev. Nathan Young was one of the heroes of the Delaware Conference, 1864, and served the following charges: 1864, Milford, Del.; 1865-66, Salem, N. J.; 1867, Smyrna, Del. Soon after this conference, the Presiding Elder, Milmore S. Elsey, died. Rev. Nathan Young was appointed by the Bishop to fill the unexpired term. He served four years as Presiding Elder on the Choptank District, as known then. He was appointed Presiding Elder on the Philadelphia District in 1871, and served until 1875, when he was appointed to Princess Anne, Md. He remained three years, when he was appointed to Chestertown, Md. He remained until 1880, when he was appointed to Salisbury, where he remained two years. He was then appointed to Fairmount, Md., where he served two years. In 1872 he was sent as delegate to the General Conference which was held at Brooklyn, New York; 1884 he was superannuated by the Conference,

which relation continued until his death. He fought the fight of faith and finished his work. He heard the word from the golden gates of heaven, "Go preach." He went at the call and preached the word of God. He was married to Mary Adams August 31, 1848, and continued until January 23, 1901, at which time he heard the call from labor to reward. He died as he lived, a true Christian. He leaves a widow, two sons and one daughter to mourn their loss. He is not dead, but sleepeth, to await the blast of the archangel's trumpet.

Servant of God, well done;  
Thy glorious warfare's past;  
The fight is fought, the victory's won,  
And thou art crowned at last.

#### GEORGE H. WASHINGTON.

As nearly as can be ascertained, the subject of this memoir was born near Federalsburg, Md., in the year 1842. He served with honor and distinction in the service of his country during the Civil War in the United States Navy. After the close of the war removed to Philadelphia and became a member of Zoar Church, where he filled various official positions with credit and zeal and from which the voice of God moved him into the larger field of the pastorate. As a minister he was a sincere, profound, deep thinker, whose very air and manner carried with it the conviction that he had a divine message to deliver. In his prime, few men surpassed him in force and power of conviction in preaching. As to his labors in the field there is abundant testimony remaining behind him to prove his calling and election. The magnificent St. Daniel's Church, Chester, sprang from the seed planted by George H. Washington. It was his first charge and also his last, although nearly a quarter century of successful labor as pastor and presiding elder lay between. As a man, he was "diligent in his business," of unstained character, of deep affection and sincerity, one whom to know intimately as a few friends did, was to love and trust forever.

He was twice married. His first wife, Caroline Baker, was one of the sweetest and most affectionate wives that ever graced a preacher's home. He married a few years before his death, Miss Eleanor Loatman, to whose faithfulness and devotion he owed so much of his comfort during his dying hours.

Words do not convey the sense of loss to those who knew him intimately, as does the writer. It is enough to say that as a man of God called to the work, he did his duty; angels could do no more, and his memory is very precious to those whom he has left behind.

H. A. MONROE.

#### PHEBE A. GRINNAGE.

Less than twelve months after the departure of our much beloved and inestimable father in the gospel, the late Rev. Asbury Grinnage, was there a summons for his amiable companion, Phebe A. Grinnage, to enter into the rest that remaineth for the people of God.

She was born in the city of Philadelphia in the year 1832, but was early carried to Baltimore, where she received her training. When but a girl she became awakened to her soul's need and sought and found peace in Christ as her Savior. Uniting with the Methodist Episcopal Church then, she continued in that relation to the day of her departure.

In the year 1856 she was married to Rev. Asbury Grinnage and continued in happy union with him for forty-four years.

She aided and comforted him while he filled the following appointments: Friendship, 3 years; Hillsboro, 2 years; Greensboro, 3 years; Fairlee, 3 years; Marydel, 2 years; Talbot Circuit (comprised of what is now called Woodland and Royal Oak charges) 3 years; Crumpton, 1 year; Skipton, 2 years, and Sassafra, 1 year.

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