My soul is not at rest. There comes a strange
And secret whisper to my spirit, like
A dream of night, that tells me I am on
Enchanted ground. Why live I here? The vows
Of God are on me, and I may not stop
To play with shadows, or pluck earthly flowers,
Till I my work have done, and rendered up
Account. The voice of my departed Lord—
Go, teach all nations—from the eastern world
Comes on the night air, and awakes my ear.

And I will go. I may not longer doubt
To give up friends and home and idle hopes,
And every tender tie that binds my heart
To thee, my country! Why should I regard
Earth's little store of borrowed sweets?

Rev. Nathan Brown, D.D.

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"His servants shall serve Him."
THE HUCHOW PASTOR AND DEACONS.
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MAP OF EASTERN CENTRAL CHINA.

- A. B. M. U. STATIONS.
- PROPOSED NEW STATIONS.
- S. B. C. STATIONS.
The Field.

The stations of the Eastern China Mission are located in Chehkiang and Kiangsu Provinces, the central coast provinces of the Empire. The area of these provinces is about twice the area of the State of Virginia. The population is estimated at 30,000,000. The principal products are rice, tea, silk and cotton, while the manufactures include carved, inlaid and lacquered goods, silks, satins and chinaware. The people of these provinces are industrious and eager for gain, this last quality being so pronounced that they are difficult to reach with the Gospel. Yet, when they are brought to Christ, their native ability makes them powerful instruments in disseminating the truth.

Baptist work was opened in Chehkiang Province at Ningpo in 1843. The population of the city aggregates nearly half a million, but the Ningpo field also includes the Chusan Archipelago. The population of the whole district is not far from 4,000,000. Our twenty out-stations have a membership of more than 600. Here are located the Ningpo Boys’ Boarding School, a Girls’ Boarding School and a Hospital.

Shaohsing, a prefectural city of 400,000, lies one hundred miles west of Ningpo and in the midst of a fertile plain. Here were centred the chief labors of the great Emperor Yu, who successfully prevented the encroachment of the sea and threw open this vast district to agricultural pursuits. This “Venice of China” presents a perfect net-work of natural and artificial water courses making it one of the most inviting and easily worked mission fields. Seventy thousand of its population are said to be engaged in the manufacture of sacrificial paper. Work was begun here in 1868. There are 108 Church members. A Girls’ School Building is nearing completion.

Hangchow, thirty miles west of Shaohsing, is the capital of Chehkiang Province. Its ancient magnificence, when the capital of the Empire, has been described by Marco Polo; and the many historical associations of the city, in addition to such enduring attractions as West Lake and the famous Bore of the Chien-tang River, make it a point of interest for travelers. Here are located our Eastern China Academy and a Girls’ Boarding School.

Kinhwa is situated in the central part of Chehkiang Province about 150 miles south of Hangchow and is the farthest inland of the East China Mission Stations. It is also the highest and healthiest city in the Mission. The field includes five walled cities and many large towns and villages with a total population not exceeding one half million. There are five
main and two sub-stations, and five organized Churches with a total membership of about 265. There is a Boys' School for both boarding and day pupils and a Girls' Boarding School.

Huchow, 40 miles north of Hangchow, is one of our most prosperous stations with a Church membership of 208 and a number of flourishing day schools for both boys and girls. See the Huchow Pastor and Deacons, on page 1.

Shanghai is the intellectual and commercial metropolis of China. The foreign community numbers about 12,000, while the Chinese population approximates 1,000,000. Here the Missionary Union has its only work in Kiangsu province, which consists of a Church, composed largely of Christians from our other stations in East China. The Missionary Union is also engaged in College and Seminary work with the Southern Baptists. The Seminary has already been in operation one year and it is expected that the new buildings will be completed and the College opened during the coming year.

The Chusan Archipelago is a group of about two hundred islands lying off the coast from Ningpo. These islands are as beautiful as those in the Inland Sea of Japan, and contain a population of about 300,000. The Missionary Union has had work here for more than forty years and has now six preaching places. We hope to purchase land and to locate a mission force in the near future, thus occupying the first of the seven new stations, other than Shanghai, which the East China Mission has planned and the Missionary Union has endorsed. The other five proposed stations (See map) are:

Song-kiang, in Kiangsu province, between Shanghai and Huchow.
Dong-si, between Huchow and Hangchow.
Shao-san, between Hangchow and Shaohsing.
T'ong-p'ü, between Shaohsing and Ningpo.
Tong-lu, between Hangchow and Kinhwa.

The field is very great. Christians Pray, Give, Come.
# Missionaries of the American Baptist Missionary Union in East China

**Ningpo:**
- Mrs. J. R. Goddard ... 1888
- *James S. Grant, M.D... 1889
- *Mrs. James S. Grant ... 1889
- Miss A. Kate Goddard ... 1897
- *Miss Helen Elgie ... 1901
- Rev. Ellis E. Jones ... 1903
- Mrs. Ellis E. Jones ... 1903
- Miss Martha E. Covert ... 1905
- Rev. B. E. Robison ... 1907
- Mrs. B. E. Robison ... 1907
- Miss Dora Zimmerman ... 1907

**Shaohsing:**
- Rev. Horace Jenkins, D.D. 1859
- *Mrs. Horace Jenkins ... 1859
- †Miss Marie A. Dowling ... 1893
- *Mrs. C. E. Bousfield ... 1893
- *Rev. C. E. Bousfield ... 1898
- F. W. Goddard, M.D. ... 1903
- Mrs. F. W Goddard ... 1903
- *Miss C. M. Huntoon... 1903
- Rev. Andrew L. Fraser ... 1905
- Mrs. Andrew L. Fraser ... 1905

**Huchow:**
- *Rev. W. S. Sweet ... 1893
- *Mrs. W. S. Sweet ... 1893
- Rev. W. H. Millard ... 1902
- Mrs. W. H. Millard ... 1902

**Kinhsa:**
- Miss Clara E. Righter... 1888
- Rev. T. D. Holmes ... 1893
- Mrs. T. D. Holmes ... 1893
- Miss Stella Relyea ... 1897
- Miss Laverne A. Minniss ... 1897
- Rev. Charles S. Keen ... 1902
- Mrs. Charles S. Keen ... 1906
- C. F. MacKenzie, M.D. ... 1906
- Mrs. C. F. MacKenzie ... 1906

**Huchow:**
- *Rev. M. D. Eubank, M.D. 1899
- *Mrs. M. D. Eubank ... 1899
- Rev. James V Latimer ... 1904
- Mrs. James V. Latimer ... 1904
- Miss Helen M. Rawlings ... 1906
- Edgar T. Shields, M.D. ... 1907
- Mrs. Edgar T. Shields ... 1907
- Miss Mary I. Jones ... 1907

**Shanghai:**
- Rev. John T. Proctor ... 1897
- Mrs. John T. Proctor ... 1897
- Rev. Frank J. White ... 1901
- Mrs. Frank J White ... 1901

*On furlough. †Reappointed. § Deceased.
Officers and Committees of the Eastern China Conference.

President ... ... ... Rev. J. R. Goddard, D.D.
Vice-President ... ... ... Rev. W H. Millard.
Corresponding Secretary ... Rev. James V Latimer.
Recording Secretary ... Rev. Andrew L. Fraser.
Statistician ... ... ... Miss Helen M. Rawlings.

Reference Committee ...
  Rev. T. D. Holmes.
  Rev. J. T. Proctor.
  F. W. Goddard, M.D.
  Rev. James V Latimer, Secretary.

Language Study Committee ...
{ Rev. J. R. Goddard, D.D.
  Rev. T. D. Holmes.
  Rev. Horace Jenkins, D.D.
  Rev. J. T. Proctor.
  Rev. J. Y. Latimer.

Trustees of Wayland Academy and Educational Committee.
{ Rev. C. S. Keen, 1 year.
  Rev. A. L. Fraser, 2 years.
  Rev. W H. Millard, ex officio.

Trustees of the Shaohsing Theological Seminary ...
{ Rev. T. D. Holmes, 2 years.
  Rev. E. E. Jones, 1 year.

Trustees of the Shanghai Baptist College and Seminary.
{ Rev. J. V. Latimer, 1 year.
  Rev. W. H. Millard, 1 year.
  Rev. F. J. White, 2 years.
  F. W. Goddard, M.D., 2 years.
The Policy of this Conference as Regards Men and Equipment needed within the next five years.

It is the Policy of this Conference:

1. To equip thoroughly the five main stations already opened with a minimum of four families and three single women in each station, recognizing that several stations will require more than four families.

2. To open seven new stations including Shanghai for the residence of missionaries in such a way as to have one new station between each two of our old stations, thus practically doubling our Mission force, making possible more emphasis on village and country work, binding together our scattered groups of native Christians and furnishing an adequate constituency for our growing school system. It will be necessary to have a minimum of two families in each of these new stations with the exception of Shanghai.

3. To have the Mission Treasurer centrally located in Shanghai where advantage can always be taken of the varying exchange in silver on the money market; and in connection with his home to have Mission Headquarters where new missionaries can be received on arrival and missionaries on the field can be accommodated when passing through Shanghai, and at the same time thus to provide adequately for the supervision of our important evangelistic work already developing in Shanghai. The plant for this Mission Headquarters ought to be provided at once.

4. To develop a system of schools as follows.

For Girls:

(1) Primary and Boarding Schools, one of each in each of our old main stations, and Primary Schools in each of the out-stations as rapidly as our Boarding Schools can prepare an adequate teaching force.

(2) One first-class Academy which will develop into a College for the whole Mission.
(3) A Bible-Women's Training School, probably in connection with the Seminary in Shanghai.

For Boys:—

(1) Primary Schools in connection with each of the out-station Churches and in each of the main stations.
(2) A Boarding School in each of the old main stations.
(3) One first-class Academy in Hangchow.
(4) A College and Seminary in Shanghai with a special department in the Seminary to train for the Ministry men who have not studied in our advanced schools. It is expected that the College will eventually develop into a University with Theological, Medical, Normal, Scientific and other special departments.
(5) To have a fully equipped Hospital and Medical plant in connection with each of our old main stations, except Hangchow, and in at least one of these hospitals to have two male physicians.
(6) To build a commodious Church building in each of our main stations where missionaries are located.
(7) To co-operate with the other Baptist Missions in China, North and South, in securing a fully equipped plant and an adequate working force for the China Baptist Publication Society.

In realization of this policy we already have 16 families, 8 single women, 3 Girls' Boarding Schools, 1 Boys' Boarding School, 1 Academy, appropriation for a part of the College and Seminary buildings, 2 Hospital plants and 1 main station Church building.

We have yet to secure Workers and Equipment as follows:

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<td>Families for the old main stations</td>
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<td>Single Women for the old stations</td>
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Residences including land, 24 at $3,500 ... ... ... $84,000.00
Missionary Headquarters in Shanghai.
   Land... ... ... ... $17,000.00
   Residence ... ... ... ... 12,000.00
   Parsonage and Church Building 10,000.00

Total ... ... ... ... $39,000.00

Schools for Girls ... ... 3 at $2,500 ... ... ... 7,500.00
Schools for Boys ... ... 4 at $2,500 ... ... ... 10,000.00
Hospitals ... ... 2 at $6,000 ... ... ... 12,000.00
Church Buildings, 6 at $2,500 ... 15,000
   4 at 2,000 ... 8,000
Total ... ... ... ... 23,000.00

Grand Total for Equipment ...$175,500.00

In making the above estimate for equipment we have included all that we consider will be needed within a period of five years to give us a fully equipped Mission in East China. We fully recognize that it will be more convenient for the Board and perhaps as well for us that this total amount be divided in general into five instalments of $35,100.00 Gold each, thus providing for a full equipment at the end of five years.

For a detailed statement of requests for workers and appropriations for the coming year see page 37.

The Evangelization of our Field in this Generation.

REPORT OF WAYS AND MEANS COMMITTEE.

The East China Conference of the American Baptist Missionary Union believes that the conditions in this field are such as to make a far-reaching and aggressive movement for the complete evangelization of the people in this generation practicable.
If we should consider the whole province of Chehkiang with parts of Kiangsu and Anhui the population would not be less than thirty millions, while if we regard only the larger half of Chehkiang with a small part of Kiangsu and a portion of Anhui as our field the population would not be far from eighteen millions.

If we consider the larger territory as within our field we would be responsible for one fifth of the population; while if we regard the smaller area as our legitimate field, we must hold ourselves responsible for a third of the population, which in either case would amount to six millions of people.

Considering the increasing share that the Chinese Church must take in the evangelization of their brethren we believe that a maximum of one male Missionary to every 50,000 people would be sufficient; or, according to the above estimate, 120 for our field.

But we believe that there should be ten well equipped Chinese preachers and ten subordinate workers to every foreign Missionary, or 1,200 preachers and 1,200 other workers for the needs of this field, making one preacher to every five thousand of the population, or one Chinese worker of any class for each 2,500 of the population.

We would also add 90 single women and 360 Chinese women helpers and teachers.

In order to have such a maximum of workers at the end of thirty years, or one generation, we estimate that twice that number would have to be provided during that time, viz.,

240 male Missionaries or an average of 8 per year.
2,400 preachers, or an average of 80 per year.
2,400 other workers, or an average of 80 per year.
180 single Women or 6 per year, and 720 women workers or 24 per year.
We also estimate that the annual increase in expense would be as follows:

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<td>Salaries of the four Men who remain on the field</td>
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<td>Passages of eight and return of four</td>
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<td>Outfits of eight</td>
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<td>Dwellings of four</td>
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<td>Mission Work</td>
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<td>Schools and Hospitals</td>
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<td>Land</td>
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<td><strong>Total</strong></td>
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This makes a maximum at the end of thirty years of $1,080,000 per year; and in women's work an annual increase of $8,050, or a maximum at the end of thirty years of $241,500.

The above figures must be considered as only tentative. In fact it is impossible from the nature of the work and our ignorance of the power and purposes of God to make such an estimate that after a period of five years might not prove altogether inadequate.

Yet we believe that with longer time at our disposal that we shall be able to send you a report which will be much nearer to an adequate presentation of the subject than that which we here present. In order that this may be done we have appointed a committee of one, Mr. F. J. White, to make fuller investigation and to forward his report to the Executive Committee of the Missionary Union.
BAPTIST MISSION

"Seedtime and Harvest."

REPORTS OF THE YEAR'S WORK.

Verbal Reports.

Dr. Jenkins:—Teaching in the Theological Seminary. Commend faithful work of students. Hindered by lack of teachers. Grateful for God's great goodness through entire period of school work.

Mrs. Jenkins:—Have instructed the wives of students as opportunity offered.

Mr. Millard:—Untrustworthy teachers replaced by three graduates of the Academy. Full complement of students. Religious life strong and boys active in evangelistic work. Church work neglected but now Pastor Tsoh has come. His influence splendid; people nourished spiritually; students respect him. Fourteen members received. Dr. Li's meetings yielded most encouraging results.

Mr. Jones:—Language study, oversight of school, evangelistic work. School—50 students; good spirit; four baptized. Seven colporters at work. Preachers have wrong point of view, regarding themselves as teachers rather than as preachers. A good year with rich experiences.

Mr. Bakeman:—Language study. Grateful for entrance upon life work.

Mr. Latimer:—Have taken over some of the out-stations. Holding off Baptisms for further acquaintance. About thirty earnest enquirers. Exclusion of unworthy members. Looking for new work but met opposition. Building Mission House. Visiting day-schools. Four boys' day-schools; one girls' day-school. Overseeing Mr. Proctor's and Dr. Eubank's work. About 500 dispensary patients per month.
Mr. **White**—Pleasant year despite inconveniences. Teaching in Seminary and have also assisted in overseeing building operations. Work of students quite satisfactory. Class of students rather low. Spiritual tone mediocre. Prayer asked that spirituality may be enhanced. Students conduct evangelistic services.

**Dr. MacKenzie**—Harmonious relations under trying circumstances. Language study Emergency medical work. Great medical need in Kinhwa. Several hundred out-patients and two in-patients but no hospital, nor even a dispensary. An entrance secured to other villages. Joy in service.

**Mr. Proctor**—Oversight of Huchow field until going to Shanghai. Taught in day-school to test work planned for. A degree man, known for his learning, baptized and now teaching in our school. Hard work letting contracts in Shanghai. Buildings advanced sufficiently for occupancy this autumn. Great blessing received through Centenary Conference — the richest experience of the year.

Miss **Relyea**—An unbroken year. Bible study with girls exceedingly profitable. Four baptized. Boys’ school work very satisfactory. Many turned away for lack of accommodations. Spiritual interest excellent. Twelve boys baptized. Timely co-operation on part of teachers who are literary men. School practically self-supporting. Most interesting results.

Mrs. **Jones**—Language study Visiting among the women. Occasional teaching.

Miss **Rawlings**—Glad to be in China and “at home.” Language study and assisting in day-school.

Mr. **Keen**—Satisfactory condition of the Churches. 56 Baptisms. One man of seventy baptized. Building Mission House.

Mrs. **MacKenzie**—Language study; Doctor’s assistant.

Mrs. **Millard**—Teaching women’s class.
Mrs. Goddard:—Assisting in girls' school. Itinerating with Dr. Goddard. Two Bible-study classes. Greater desire on part of women for Bible study.

Mrs. Keen:—Language study Church organist.

Miss Righter:—Bible classes. Four Bible-women. Great openings for work, especially among higher class women if proper helpers are sent. Pressing need of enlarged Church building.

Miss Covert:—Language study. Assisting in Girls' School. Fine spirit among the girls.

Miss Adams:—In Girls' School. Average attendance of 23. Several baptisms. Prayer meetings and Bible study heartily engaged in. Have also helped in the Academy.

Mrs. White:—Eagerness to learn on part of students' wives. Urgent need of single lady to teach them. Two Bible-women needed also.

Mrs. Bakerman:—Language study.

Mr. Fraser:—Language study. Transfer to Shaohsing and consequent change of dialect. Visiting out-stations. Abundant opportunity for work. Great need of suitable places of worship.

Dr. Goddard:—Busy with treasury work. Condition of stations very satisfactory, with converts from nearly all of them.
The educational work of the Eastern China Conference consists of a complete system of schools from the day-schools to the College and Theological Seminary. The day-schools provide a six years' course of study which prepares pupils for the Boarding Schools or the Academy, while the Academy fits for immediate entrance into College. It is the desire and purpose of the Conference to locate in each station a missionary who shall have supervision of the day-schools and the station Boarding School. With such equipment in each station, an Academy in Hangchow, and a College and Seminary in Shanghai, we believe that we shall exercise a more potent influence over the heathen, that our future Church constituency will be more intelligent, and that we shall be able to conserve our own best young men and prepare them for more effectual work in the Ministry.

Facilities for the education and training of girls and women are also being increased. A number of day-schools are now in operation, while in Ningpo, Hangchow and Kinhwa Boarding Schools have been established. The Girls' Boarding School in Shaohsing is approaching completion. A suggestion to raise the Ningpo Girls' School to the rank of an Academy with consequent change of name is being considered.

An Informal Report of
The Shanghai Baptist College and Seminary.

According to the Articles of Co-operation the Annual Meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Shanghai Baptist College and Seminary occurs at the end of the Chinese year, and the Annual Report must be made out at that time, but as the Board of Trustees has made no provision for a report to the Conference, only an informal report can now be submitted. Doubtless arrangements will be made whereby the Trustees will submit a
direct report to the annual session of both Conferences with which they are connected.

The year has been one full of activity for those immediately connected with the College and Seminary. Two meetings of the Trustees have been held and a great number of meetings of sub-committees. The demand has been for initiative, for constructive work, for building both of houses and of plans. The institutions have been growing in our minds and hearts as well as in material structures, and, while we can only make a report of progress, much has actually been accomplished.

Since our meeting a year ago 40 of the 165 mow of land have been raised to a fraction over six feet high, the dirt for this raising having been secured by digging out about 30 mow at the rear of the lot. Thus a great pond has been formed from four to eight feet deep which of course has partly filled with water. In order that this pond may be filled up by the gradual silting of the tides, a canal has been dug connecting it with the river, and a dyke has been made all around the pond to prevent the tide-water from over-flowing into the neighbouring fields. A surveyor from the Municipal Council of Shanghai was secured to determine the height or level of the Municipal Council roads if extended to the compound. When finished the land will be sufficiently high to meet city requirements.

Next to the raising of the land has been the task of letting the building contracts and the erection of the necessary buildings. After three months of continuous activity the Building Committee was able to let the contract for the erection of seven buildings to cost $62,000. These are Yates Hall, costing a fraction over $30,000; a dormitory of native build; four foreign residences, and a dining-hall. The contract calls for the completion of two residences and the dormitory by December at the latest, and for the completion of all the buildings by the end of the Chinese fourth month of next year. Some of these buildings are already nearing completion, and it
is expected that all will be ready for use a year hence. Once the buildings are completed they will have to be furnished, some necessary equipment will have to be secured, and many improvements will have to be carried out on the grounds. This will be the work of the coming year.

Strong and systematic efforts are being made to secure the building of a carriage road to connect the College grounds with the Municipal Council road at the Point. Much encouragement has already been met with, and it now seems as if it would be easy to secure the necessary funds by means of subscriptions from Chinese and foreigners who own land outside of the city limits. In that case it will simply be a question whether the Shanghai Taotai will permit and authorize the opening of such a road without its costing the Chinese Government a dollar except for the maintenance of the road after it is built.

The work of the Seminary has been carried on for a year in the rented quarters. The curriculum adopted a year ago has been used and has proved satisfactory. A first-class Chinese teacher has been secured and the Seminary closed its Spring term with 39 students. During the year a curriculum has been adopted for the College, and conditions of entrance, tuition fees, etc., have been approved. Some inquiry has also been made looking towards the securing of a well qualified corps of teachers and it is desired that all of those who teach the western branches should be full college graduates.

A catalogue of the Seminary and a prospectus of the College have been prepared and are now in the press. An edition of 500 copies will be ready for distribution by the last of September. The catalogue will be both in Chinese and in English and will contain all that it seems possible or wise to announce at the present time regarding the present and future of the College and Seminary. It is hoped that the largest possible use of these catalogues will be made both here in China and at home, so as to secure a large student body, and at the same time to assure
the financial support of the Institution both from the Chinese and from the home constituency.

The needs of the College and Seminary are many. We need first of all a large body of well equipped students. These must come primarily from the Churches and especially from the primary and intermediate schools of the Conference. We need a more general, a more intelligent and a more enthusiastic support from the Chinese Churches and leaders. The first meeting of the Chinese Advisory Board will be held next month and, it is hoped, in time to secure through this Board the necessary support from that source. We need more missionary teachers. The Seminary work cannot be done properly without three foreign teachers and it is equally impossible to do all the teaching in the College with only two teachers. More teachers with some experience on the field must be secured, and by willingly surrendering to these institutions men who are selected by the Board of Trustees and who are necessary to the carrying-on of this work the Missionaries in the stations can show in this practical way their appreciation of the absolute necessity of the work there being done. The financial needs of the institutions cannot be anticipated here but will doubtless be set forth in the Annual Report. It is hoped by this brief informal report simply to remind you of the progress that is being made and to prepare you for the Annual Report which will be submitted for your approval at the end of the Chinese year.

Report of the Trustees of the Shaohsing Theological Seminary.

Dr. Jenkins reports that the Seminary year 1906-07 began with an attendance of thirteen pupils who continued in the school until the end of January when seven of them went to the Union Seminary in Shanghai. The year closed June 30 with five pupils. Two of these, Li Koh We of Ningpo and Dzen
Tsöh Nyun of Kinhwa completed the four years' course and were graduated.

On Sundays the students have attended the services of the Do-Fong-Keo Church and have engaged in evangelistic work as during the previous year. Dr. Jenkins has given three hours each day to classes in exegesis and Dr. F. W. Goddard has continued his lectures on physiology. The remainder of the curriculum could not be taught satisfactorily owing to the lack of proper teachers.

In view of the judgment of the Executive Committee that it is not advisable to continue the Theological School at Shaohsing as preparatory for the Seminary at Shanghai, and in order to avoid duplication of work by the two Seminaries, the Trustees recommend that the work of the school at Shaohsing be discontinued. The Trustees also desire to express their appreciation of the twenty years of faithful service by Dr. Jenkins as President of the Shaohsing Seminary.

**Wayland Academy, Hangchow.**

Wayland Academy has had an average attendance of ninety during the past year. Of these eighteen were Church members, while eleven others were from Christian homes. The Young Men's Christian Association had a membership of seventy-two. Two baptisms and five students awaiting the ordinance. Two Christian graduates retained as teachers. Because of their anti-Christian influence it was necessary to dismiss two Chinese classical teachers. Their successors are satisfactory in every way. The coming of Pastor Tsöh a great help to the work. Two visits of Dr. Li, the Chinese evangelist, greatly stirred several of the Christian boys.

At the beginning of the year a preparatory department was formed with ten students. It is hoped eventually to separate this department from the intermediate grades, but this cannot be arranged until separate buildings and teachers are forthcoming.
**Ningpo Boys’ Boarding School.**

Last year there were enrolled 53, 42 of whom were Christians or from Christian homes. A serious loss caused by the transfer of Mr. Tong to the Shanghai Seminary. A former pupil returned to assist in teaching English. Young Men’s Christian Association meetings well attended with encouraging results. The year has been one of steady growth and spiritual development.

**Kinhwa Boys’s Boarding School.**

A very successful year with 56 pupils. School practically self-supporting. Decided spiritual growth evinced by the interest in the Christian Endeavour meetings which have been led by the older students. Twelve of the pupils have professed faith in Christ and have united with the Church; others are awaiting baptism. Two young men have decided to enter the Ministry and there are three prospective students for the Academy.

**Ningpo Girls’ Boarding School.**

The school had its full complement of 40 girls during the year and several were refused admission owing to lack of accommodations. Especially fortunate in selection of head Chinese teacher, a man of unusual character and deeply spiritual. Miss Elgie’s absence greatly felt but the school has progressed under the care of Miss Covert and Mrs. Goddard. Four girls followed Christ in baptism during the year; others we trust will follow soon.

**Hangchow Girls’ Boarding School.**

The Winter term opened with 18 pupils, two of whom were day pupils; 21 students in the spring term; seven baptisms and others waiting. Over 25 enrolled for the new term which gives promise of being filled with hard work. Looking forward with much pleasure to the return of Mrs. Sweet.
Kinhwa Girls' Boarding School.

A very successful year; 24 pupils. The Bible study with the girls has proved exceedingly profitable. Four have been baptized. Work in Girls' School handicapped by the failure of the woman teacher to return after the New Year, but continuation of the work was made possible by the hearty co-operation of other teachers.

Huchow Girls' Day School.

Beginning with Chinese New Year, the attendance increased to 24. Larger quarters greatly needed. Majority of the pupils come from Christian homes. Curriculum is the same as used in boys school. English has been taught daily and industrial work has been introduced. A Chinese teacher has taught the Gospels Mark and John.

Shaohsing Girls' Day School:—22 pupils.

Kinhwa " " " 8 "

Huchow Boys' Day Schools (4).

Huchow has four boys' day-schools with a total enrolment of about seventy. In the school at East Gate there are a few boarding pupils who are cared for in the hospital building. One out-station school was closed on account of negligence and inefficiency of the teacher, but another school was opened in another locality. Propose to open two or three schools at the beginning of the year. Rejoicing over conversion and baptism of the East Gate teacher.

In the city fees are $3.00, $6.00, and $9.00 per year, but in the country the fees are much less. Two more students sent to the Academy making a total of six from Huchow.

Shaohsing Boys' Day School (1)

One school of 28 pupils. Western subjects and methods have been introduced during the year with marked success.
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Ningpo Boys' Day Schools:—Two schools; pupils 54.
Kinhwa " " " One " ; " 51.
Hangchow " " " Two " ; " 16.

Medical Missions.

The Medical Work of our East China Mission has not received the emphasis to which it is entitled not only from the humanitarian point of view, but from the fact that medical assistance has proved the open sesame to hearts and homes, to villages and cities where otherwise the entrance of Christian teaching and influence would have been effectually barred. The present equipment is meager, both as to men and buildings, but we trust and believe that the near future will witness a decided advance in providing adequate facilities for the carrying on of an extensive and helpful work. The following are the stations where medical work has already been established.

Ningpo:—Here there is a hospital building with wards for men and women, both of which have many times been taxed to their utmost capacity. No report is at hand for the reason that the hospital is closed and Dr. Grant has gone home on a well-earned and too long-delayed furlough. The dispensary, however, is open and in charge of a native assistant, Dr. and Mrs. Goddard giving the necessary oversight.

Shaohsing:—Dr. F. W Goddard in charge. No report. A weekly dispensary is in operation at the Do-Fong-Keo and records a large number of patients. While the patients are waiting their turn for consultation on bodily ailments, Pastor Dzin has faithfully and earnestly talked to them of the more subtle disease of the soul, of the sin that destroys both soul and body. A desirable plot of land has been purchased for the new hospital and work has been begun.
Huchow:—This station has neither hospital nor physician at the present writing, but is looking forward with joy to the coming of Dr. Edgar T. Shields within a few months. Meanwhile a dispensary is being carried on by a Chinese assistant in a Chinese building. Mr. Latimer purchases the medicines, audits the dispensary accounts, and reports an average of 400 patients per month.

Kinhwa:—Patient waiting for many years has at last been rewarded by the coming of Dr. Mackenzie. But the Doctor has neither house nor hospital and is forced to treat a large number of cases under the most trying circumstances. Realizing that language study is more essential at present, he tries to send the patients away, but they just won't go away. Soldiers had to be detailed to guard the compound the day after their arrival—so great was the throng of those seeking medical relief. Nearly a thousand cases have been treated in less than eight months. The living room of the family has been made to serve as operating room, consulting room, study, laundry and store room. These cases have opened doors in many directions, including the homes of many of the leading gentry. A hospital building is urgently needed.

The Statistician's Report.

The statistician's report for the year shows an increase in almost every department of our work. The number of workers—both native and foreign—is larger than before, as is also the number of Church members. A decrease is noted in the attendance at boys' day-schools, but a decided increase in the number of students at the boarding schools, while the receipts from fees paid by pupils exceeds by more than $2,000 the amount received last year. The contributions from the native Church for Church expenses and missions show an increase of $169.91. The medical work also shows a decided advance.
Gist of the Report:

Missionaries ... ... ... ... ... 38
Native workers ... ... ... ... ... 90
Organized Churches. (5 self-supporting) ... ... 23
Church Members ... ... ... ... ... 1,326
Baptisms ... ... ... ... ... 185
Sunday School Membership ... ... ... ... 1,365
Theological students ... ... ... ... 39
Contributions of Native Churches ... ... 2,555.91
Fees paid by Pupils in Schools ... ... 86,499.80

A question having arisen as to reporting in one number the theological students of both missionary bodies, and also whether the wives of these students should be classed as women students, it was voted that the consideration of these questions be referred to the A. B. M. U. Trustees of the College and Seminary with instructions to report to the Conference.

The Trustees later reported. It was voted that only the students and women from the A. B. M. U. Mission should be reported and that the total number in the Shanghai College and Seminary should be indicated in a note.

(Student from A. B. M. U. Mission in Shanghai ... 8)
(Student in Shaohsing Seminary ... ... ... 13)
Standing Committees

Report of the Language Study Committee.

The Committee reports that the following candidates have passed examinations: Mr. Jones, the final examination of the old course; Mr. Fraser and Miss Covert, Division II of the 1905 course; Mr. and Mrs. Bakeman and Miss Rawlings, Section I of the present course. Mr. and Mrs. Latimer report the completion of Section III of the present course.

As Mr. Fraser and Miss Covert in their first examination according to the Course of 1905 have covered the work of Section II of the present course, with the exception of items 4 and 6, the Committee has asked them to include these two items in Section III on which they will be examined at the spring meeting of the Chinese Association.

The Committee regrets that Mr. Keen has not yet been able to take his final examination, but arrangements have been made for him to take it during the present month. Mrs. Keen also expects to take her first examination this month. Arrangements have further been made whereby Dr. and Mrs. MacKenzie will take their first examination in December of this year. Mrs. Jones whose health and family cares have furnished abundant excuse for not taking her examination at an earlier date expects to be ready for her first examination before Chinese New Year.

Report of the Board of Trustees of Wayland Academy and of the Educational Committee.

(For School Statistics, see pages 22-25.)

The increasing desire on the part of the Chinese for Western learning has taxed the capacity of all our schools, and the advance in tuition has not lessened the demand. It is a cause for thanksgiving to God that our educational work is
meeting with such great success. It is no small advantage to the Church in China to have the moulding of the young boys and girls who are to constitute her life in a few years.

Some changes are recommended to take effect as soon as convenient for those concerned. Your Committee asks that Miss Relyea be released from school work to enter upon evangelistic work among the women, and that Mr. Keen succeed her until a man for school work is supplied.

A similar request is made for the Academy, viz., that upon Mr. Sweet's return Mr. Millard be released to do purely evangelistic work, and that Mr. Bakeman be asked to teach five hours per week beginning with the Chinese New Year.

Further Resolutions concerning the Academy are as follows:-

1. That the Academy year begin with the Chinese New Year; and that as a rule students be received only at that time, and that all arrangements be made for the entire year as far as possible.

2. That as rapidly as possible Chinese College graduates be employed as teachers in the Academy, thus raising the standard of instruction, and that requests for appropriations be made sufficient to cover the extra expense.

3. That a Catalogue of the Academy be issued annually.

Furthermore:—

Your Committee deeming it advisable to unify and classify the system of tuition and scholarships already in use, submit the following recommendations:—

Wayland Academy:

1. That tuition and board, including laundry, shaving and oil be $54 per year. For drill uniform, $3; for athletic expenses, $1; for school uniform, $3. Total charges $61.
2. That a limited number of scholarships, not to exceed $24 each, be provided by the Academy for worthy Christian pupils in need, to be given at the discretion of the Principal on the following conditions:

(a) The pupil must be a Christian or the son of a Christian.

(b) The pupil must bring a statement from his Missionary Pastor or teacher indicating his financial condition.

(c) The pupil must secure a satisfactory middleman and sign an agreement to finish the entire course.

(d) The pupil's deportment grade must be 90 or above and his class grade satisfactory.

3. That a students' aid fund of at least $100 be provided out of the regular appropriations for the Academy, to be used by the Principal with the approval of the Trustees for the aid of worthy Christian pupils who are orphans or who for any other reason have special claims on the benevolence of the Mission. Pupils thus aided must be willing to do any work assigned them by the Principal.

NINGPO BOYS' BOARDING SCHOOL:

1. That tuition and board, including rough laundry, be $56 per year.

2. That tuition and board, including rough laundry, for pupils not studying English be $24 per year.

3. That scholarships be the same as those of the Academy and be given under the same conditions.

4. That there be a students' aid fund the same as for the Academy with the provision that it be not granted to pupils studying English.

NINGPO GIRLS' BOARDING SCHOOL:

1. That tuition, board, etc., for all pupils be $30 per year,
2. That scholarships not to exceed $10 each be provided for worthy Christian pupils in need who study English and Music, to be given on the same conditions as those of the Academy.

3. That scholarships not to exceed $20 be provided for worthy Christian pupils in need who do not study English or Music to be given on the same conditions as those of the Academy.

4. That a students' aid fund of at least $100 be provided out of the regular appropriation and given on the same conditions as those of the Academy.

5. That tuition for day pupils be $1.00 per year.

Hangchow Girls' Boarding School:

1. That tuition and board for all pupils be $30 per year.

2. That scholarships not to exceed $20 be provided under the same conditions as in the Ningpo School.

3. That a students' aid fund of at least $100 be given on the same conditions as in the Ningpo School.

4. That tuition for day pupils be $10 per year.

Kinhwa Girls' Boarding School:

1. That tuition and board for all pupils be $26 per year.

2. That scholarships not to exceed $15 be provided and given on the same conditions as in the Ningpo School.

3. That a students' aid fund of $50 be provided and given on the same conditions as in the Ningpo School.

4. That tuition for day pupils be $6 per year.

The Educational Committee also recommends that we ask Messrs. Sweet and Millard to bring in a report to the Trustees on the best means of making a clear cut division between the Academy and the preparatory courses, covering such points as:
1. Erection of new buildings.
2. Providing separate curricula, etc.
3. Securing a Chinese head teacher with separate faculty for the preparatory department, including opportunities for using as teachers advanced pupils who are receiving scholarships.


The Reference Committee has met in Huchow, Shanghai and Mohkanshan, and has passed a large number of votes by correspondence. The following votes were passed up to the time of the meeting at Mohkanshan.

1. Upon request of the Executive Committee it was voted to approve of Mr. Holmes's using a sum of money granted for mission work for the purpose of house repairs.

2. Voted that Mr. Millard be authorized to build his house on the lot south of the Academy.

3. Voted to buy a large lot of land from Dr. Main and pay the $500 bargain money from Mr. Millard's land appropriation.

4. Voted to approve of the sale of the Da-Laen-Saen property for what it will bring.

5. Voted to approve of the building of the Girls' School in Kinhwa, but to delay the approval of plans until the meeting in Huchow.

6. Voted to approve of Miss Elgie's request for an additional appropriation for the work of the Girls' School in Ningpo.

7. Voted to approve of a furlough for Miss Elgie.

8. Voted to approve of the request of Miss Huntoon for a lady worker to be sent to Shaohsing this autumn.
9. Voted not to approve of Miss Righter's request for an increase in appropriation for Bible-women, and to delay vote for repairs until the meeting in Huchow.

10. In reply to a communication from the Executive Committee it was voted to express our approval of the use of military drill in our schools, giving our reasons for so doing.

11. It was voted to withdraw our request for a woman doctor for Ningpo and to ask that in view of Miss Goddard's engagement an evangelistic worker be sent instead.

12. It was voted to approve of the plans for the enlargement of the Girls' School at Ningpo, and to ask for an appropriation of $2,500 Mexican for that purpose.

13. It was voted to approve of the purchase of land in Hangchow from the C. I. M. pastor for $500.

14. It was voted to ask the A. B. M. U. to appropriate $1,500 to pay for half the lot purchased from Dr. Main in Hangchow and an equal sum from the Woman's Society of the West to pay for the other half.

15. A vote was passed regarding the return of Mr. and Mrs. Bousfield.

16. It was voted to request Dr. Grant to close the Hospital in Ningpo during his absence in America and to apply for an amount sufficient to keep only the dispensary open.

17. It was voted that Dr. MacKenzie be granted $150 instead of $250 as requested for medicines, and that he be advised not to practise among the Chinese for another year, and that he charge for medicines supplied to foreigners.

18. It was voted to ask for $800 instead of $200 for the Ningpo Boys' Boarding School for next year.

19. It was voted on Dr. Eubank's request to recommend that a physician be sent to Huchow in order to release Dr. Eubank for evangelistic work.
20. It was voted to request that Dr. Jenkins be granted $400 Mexican for printing in connection with translation work.

21. It was voted to recommend to the Executive Committee:

(1) That we be authorized to buy in Shanghai at least two mow of land for Headquarters and Church.

(2) That the Union appropriate or raise $25,000 Mexican for this purpose.

(3) That we accept the proposition of Mr. Woodward to secure an option on the land.

At the meetings of the Reference Committee held at Mohkanshan the following votes were taken and presented to the Conference for its approval before being sent to the Executive Committee.

1. In response to the request of the Executive Committee it was voted to recommend that Dr. Shields be designated to Huchow.

2. In response to the request of the Executive Committee it was voted to recommend that Mr. Sweet be designated to Hangchow to take charge of the Academy, and that Mr. Millard have charge of the evangelistic work to which he shall give his whole time.

3. It was voted to request the Woman's Board of the East to appropriate $175 Mexican to make up the deficit in building the Bible-Women's house at Shaohsing.

4. It was voted to request the Woman's Society of the East to grant $600 Mexican for finishing and furnishing the Girls' School at Shaohsing.

5. It was voted to request the A. B. M. U. to appropriate the sum of $169.60 to pay the cost of the kitchen and servants' quarters built by F. W. Goddard in Shaohsing to
make it possible for two families to live in Mr. Fraser's house.

6. It was voted to approve of the temporary use by F. W. Goddard of money granted to build the Hospital for the purpose of purchasing the Kyih-S-Long lot for a residence site.

7. It was voted to request the Executive Committee to refund $137.60 expended by Mr. Latimer in excess of his appropriation in building his dwelling at Huchow.

8. It was voted that a committee composed of Messrs. J. R. Goddard and F. J. White be appointed to investigate land suitable for a site for a mission compound at Chusan, and that they be given the authority to estimate the sum needed for its purchase and forward said estimate to the Union in the name of the Reference Committee.

9. We recommend that Mrs. Holmes and her children be permitted to return to America in the spring.

10. We recommend that Mr. and Mrs. White be granted a furlough in the spring of 1908.

11. We recommend the following changes and additions to the Constitution. See page 43.

12. Voted to request Mr. Proctor to visit the Huchow field as frequently as possible during the coming year, and that the expense of such visits be charged to the Huchow appropriation for mission travel.

13. We recommend the following resolution of thanks for increase in salary. See page 40.

14. We recommend the following letter to the Woman's Society of the West. See page 41.

15. We recommend that we request the Executive Committee to appropriate the sum of $1,112 Mexican to meet the deficit of the Ningpo Boys' Boarding School for one and a half years, and that Mr. Jones be requested to write the Executive Committee the reasons for said deficit.
16. We recommend that we request the Woman’s Society of the West to relinquish their claim on the building used by the North Gate Church in Ningpo and to give it to the Missionary Union for their work, and that the Secretary be instructed to explain the reasons for the request.

17. We recommend for adoption the following rules of procedure for the Reference Committee. See page 38.

18. We recommend that the Woman’s Society of the West be requested to permit Miss Rawlings to use her entire appropriation for the Girls’ School, personal teacher and one Bible-woman, on account of low exchange.

19. We recommend that the Woman’s Societies be requested to make all appropriations, except those for salaries, in Mexican.

20. We recommend that Messrs. Proctor and White be authorized to purchase the property of the Independent Presbyterian Church in Shanghai and also land for Mission Headquarters.

21. We recommend that we take the request for the appropriation for the enlargement of the Shaohsing Church off the list of special needs and ask the Shaohsing Mission to bring before us plans for a new Church and a request for appropriation for the building of the same.

22. We recommend that Messrs. Latimer and Proctor be authorized to continue the purchase of land in Huchow with money furnished by Mr. Waite of Providence R. I.

23. We recommend that Mr. Latimer be authorized to repair the old houses on the East Gate Street in Huchow for the Boys’ School.

24. We ask the Members of the Conference to give more careful consideration to the matter of deficits, calling their attention to the fact that the Missionary Union does not hold itself responsible for the same.
25. We recommend that the Conference request the Woman's Society of the East to pursue the same policy as that of the Missionary Union in referring to us all questions concerning the designation of new Missionaries, the furloughs of Missionaries, their designation on return to the field, appropriations for buildings, etc., etc.

26. We submit the following estimates of special needs for Workers, Land and Buildings.

**Workers**

- **Men.**
  1. Shaohsing, one evangelist.
  2. One evangelist to succeed the man who takes Mr. White's place in the Seminary.
  3. Shanghai, one Missionary.
  4. and 5. Chusan, two evangelists.
  6. Kinhwa, one man to take charge of Boys' School.
  7. and 8. Song-Kiang, two evangelists.
  9. and 10. Tong-Lu, " "

- **Women.**
  1. Huchow, one evangelist.
  2. Ningpo, " "
  3. Hangchow, two single women.

**Buildings.**

**Arranged in Order of Importance.**

1. Shaohsing, one dwelling.

(2 and 3) Kinhwa, one dwelling $5,500; land for dwellings, Boys' School and Hospital.

Hangchow, one dwelling, $5,500; land already purchased $1,500.
(Note:—The dwellings for Kinhwa and Hangchow are both so important that if both appropriations are not received at the same time the Reference Committee will decide which is the more important.)

4. Ningpo, one dwelling, $5,500; land $1,000.


1. Huchow Church, $5,000.
2. Hangchow, $5,000.
3. Kinhwa, $5,000.

Not arranged in order of importance.

Shanghai, Business Headquarters, $20,000. Land for Headquarters and Church, $3,000.

Chusan, Land for Compound, amount to be reported later by Committee.

Huchow, Hospital, $10,000.

Lan-Ky'i, Purchase of Church property, $300.

From the Woman's Society of the West.

3. Hangchow, Land already purchased, $1,500.

The above estimates are all in Mexican.


1. There shall be two regular meetings of the Committee each year, one just preceding and in connection with the Annual Meeting of the Conference, and one just preceding and in connection with the Annual Meeting of the Chinese Association.
2. Special meetings may be called by the Chairman and Secretary at the request of the Executive Committee of the Missionary Union, or upon written request of two or more members of the Committee, in which case due notice of the nature of the business to be discussed shall be given to all members of the Committee and to all parties especially concerned, if in China.

3. The Reference Committee when in business session, whether in regular or special meeting, shall be governed by the rules usually governing such bodies.

4. All actions and votes of the Reference Committee shall be reported at once to the parties especially concerned and to the Conference at the next Annual Meeting, and in so far as the Members of the Conference are concerned, shall be considered binding until the Conference has voted on the same.

5. Only such business as does not call for discussion and on which there is no important division of opinion may be voted on by correspondence. If in taking such a vote there be a division, or if any member object to a vote by correspondence, action must be deferred until a meeting of the Committee.

6. A vote by correspondence under conditions of Rule 5 may be taken by the Secretary with the approval of the Chairman. No other Member of the Committee or of the Conference may take such a vote.

7. The Secretary shall prepare and send to all members of the Committee and upon request to any Member of the Conference, a brief statement of all transactions of the Committee and of all the important correspondence from the Home Board.

8. Four Members shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business.
Resolutions.

1. The East China Conference wishes to express its appreciation of the coming of the Delegates of the Laymen's Movement.

It has been a source of very great encouragement to us all that busy Laymen and Pastors have been willing to sacrifice their own work for several months to investigate the work being done in China in order to devise plans for more rapid accomplishment.

We believe that the advent in China of so many men of substance and ability has already had a salutary influence on men of the higher classes, as well as upon the foreign diplomatic and commercial circles in the Empire, while it has demonstrated to the Chinese Christians how much the Church in America is interested in them and in the salvation of their countrymen.

We are glad that the Missionary Union has determined to avail itself of the knowledge which these men of affairs have gained concerning the evangelization of this part of the world.

We trust that we shall be privileged to meet other and larger delegations of Pastors and Laymen in the near future and that the Missionary Union will use its most earnest efforts to foster this, one of the best possible means of conserving the vital connection between the Christians of America and the work they are doing in mission lands.

That this work may have continuity we would reiterate the recommendation of the Union Baptist Conference that the Missionary Union appoint a Secretary for the Far East to give half of his time to interesting Christians in America in these fields, and to spend the other half on the field in an endeavor to correlate and unify the mission work.

2. It was voted that we express our sincere gratitude to the Executive Committee of the Missionary Union for the
careful and kind consideration which they gave to our request for advance in salary and for their resolution to make the requested advance in spite of the serious financial situation of the Society.

We believe that with God's blessing this step will not be a cause for further debt, but on the contrary an incentive to greater advance both here on the field and among the Churches in America.

3. We present to the Woman's Society of the West the following resolution:—

To the Woman's Baptist Foreign Missionary Society of the West, or to whom it may concern:—

The East China Conference of the American Baptist Missionary Union wishes to express its appreciation of the service rendered by Miss Nellie Adams in Mission Work in Hangchow.

She has labored faithfully and her work has been of splendid service. We pray for God's blessing on the work of her future preparation and trust that in due time she will return to China to resume her life-work for the salvation of the Chinese.

4. Resolution concerning Union and Federation:—

Whereas it was abundantly proved during the session of the recent Centenary Conference in Shanghai that there is an almost universal and deep-rooted desire for a closer union and some kind of practical federation of all Protestant Christians in China, both Missionary and Chinese; and

Whereas practical steps were taken by the Centenary Conference in the appointment of two committees, one for the grouping if possible of the many denominations and divisions of denominations into eight groups, in which case it is hoped that practical union can be effected within each group, at least for the Chinese Churches; and the other committee for the formation of Provincial Councils and a National Council for
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formation of Provincial Councils and a National Council for
the closer federation of all Protestants in the Empire; and

Whereas the Members of this Conference believe that all
that is possible ought to be done to bring about these most
desirable results; therefore it is

Resolved 1. That we as a Conference and as individual
members of the Conference will do all in our power
to bring about in every practical way the closest
possible union of all Baptist forces in the Empire,
and especially to bring it about that Baptist
Churches established throughout the Empire will
be gradually organized into one great denomina-
tion.

2. Resolved that we are prepared to enter into a
Provincial and National Council of Federation
provided these can be effected without the sacrifice
of principles and truths as important as that of
federation itself.

5. It was voted that the Secretary should correspond with
the Woman's Boards both of East and West calling attention
to the action of the Conference of last year with reference to
the increase in salaries and to the precedent set by the
American Baptist Missionary Union, and should ask, if action
has not already been taken, that the matter be given im-
mediate attention.

6. The following resolution was referred to the Educa-
tional Committee with instructions to report next year.

Resolved that hereafter the Ningpo Girls' Boarding School
be known as the East China Academy for Girls, and that we
request the Woman's Society of the West to make provision
for it accordingly.
Changes and Additions to the Constitution.

It was voted that in Article 4 of the Constitution, Section 1, after "Language Study Committee" there be inserted "Medical Committee;" that Sections 4-19 following be moved backward one number and that Section 4 read thus:

"The Medical Committee shall be composed of all the physicians in the Conference. It shall be the duty of this Committee, upon request either of the Reference Committee, any member of the Medical Committee, or of any individual missionary to consult and to make recommendations to a Missionary or to the Reference Committee concerning any case of illness among the missionary body on account of which a missionary may require treatment, rest or furlough."

Publication Committee.

It was voted that the Recording Secretary be instructed to print and mail the Minutes of the Conference according to the following plan:—

1. That the Conference each year decide on the number of copies to be printed.

2. That copies of the Minutes be mailed to an approved list which shall include Pastors, Laymen, Missionaries, Religious Papers and Magazines, College and Seminary Libraries, Officers of the Woman's Mission Boards, Secretaries and the Executive Committee of the American Baptist Missionary Union. Five copies shall also be furnished to each member of the Conference drawing salary.

3. That forty copies be filed for reference and for the use of the newly arrived Missionaries.

4. That the remaining copies be divided equally among all members of the Conference drawing salary, and that the total expense of printing and mailing be apportioned in the same manner.
5. Extra copies ordered by members of the Conference shall be charged for at the rate of 5 cents per copy.

The Publication Committee was authorized to print 600 copies of the Minutes.
Minutes of the Conference.

Mohkanshan, August 28—September 2, 1907.

Wednesday, August 28.

30 P.M.

The Conference was opened with prayer by Dr. Jenkins. Rev. A. L. Fraser led the devotional meeting: Theme, "Jesus the Light," John 8:12.

Dr. Goddard as President of the Conference appointed Messrs. Keen, Latimer and Fraser members of the Nominating Committee.

An invitation was extended to Dr. Bryan, to Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Adams, and to Mrs. McDaniels to attend the sessions of the Conference.

Dr. Goddard pronounced the benediction.

Thursday, August 29.

9.30 A.M.

President J. R. Goddard, D.D., conducted the devotional service, speaking upon the theme found in John 14:9.

The Conference having been called to order the report of the Programme Committee was submitted and adopted.

At the suggestion of Mr. Proctor, the Rev. Joseph Adams was invited to lead the devotional service on Friday a.m. in place of Mr. Holmes not yet arrived.

The Nominating Committee reported after which the Secretary was instructed to cast ballots for the following officers and Standing Committees. See page 9.

Upon motion of Mr. Proctor it was voted to defer the appointment of Trustees for the Shanghai College and Seminary until such time as the Reference Committee shall report concerning changes and vacancies.

At this point the letter of Dr. Barbour to the Conference was read by Mr. White.

In the absence of Miss Huntoon the report of the Statistician was presented by Mr. White. The report was
accepted. With the exception of the attendance in boys' day-schools the report shows a decided increase in all departments of work, in fee receipts and in native contributions.

A question having been raised as to reporting in one number the theological students of both missionary bodies, and also whether the wives of these students should be reckoned as women students, it was voted that the consideration of these questions be referred to the A. B. M. U. Trustees of the College and Seminary with instructions to report to the Conference.

Verbal reports of the year's work followed. In general these showed a happy, hopeful and expectant tone with much rejoicing over the results achieved.

After singing of the Doxology and prayer by Rev. R. T. Bryan, D.D., the Conference was adjourned.

Friday, August 30.

9.30 A.M.

Rev. J. S. Adams of Hanyang conducted the devotional service reading for the lesson Psalm 67.

The Conference having been called to order the minutes of the previous sessions were read and approved.

With the concurrence of the Reference Committee the reading of a paper by Mr. Millard scheduled for this time was deferred.

The Reference Committee presented a partial report, the full text of which will be found on pages 32-38. Upon their recommendation the following measures were voted:—

1. To designate Dr. Edgar T. Shields to Huchow.
2. That Mr. Sweet be designated to Hangchow to assume charge of Wayland Academy.
3. Approval of recommendation for further appropriation for the Bible-Women's house at Shaohsing.
4. A further appropriation of $600 to complete and furnish the Shaohsing Girl's School.

5. Appropriation to cover cost of servants’ quarters at Shaohsing.

6. Permission to Dr. F. W Goddard to use hospital money temporarily for the purchase of residence site.

7. Approval of furlough for Mrs. Holmes and children.

8. " " " Mr. and Mrs. White.

9. Changes and addition to Constitution.

It was voted to hear a partial report of the Ways and Means Committee. See page 12. Mr. White presented the report and the discussion was participated in by several members of the Conference.

An informal report of the Trustees of the Shanghai College and Seminary was submitted through their Secretary Mr. Proctor and accepted. It was agreed to continue discussion of the same at the next session of the Conference.

The Conference adjourned after prayer by Mr. White.

Saturday, August 31.

9.30 A.M.

The devotional meeting this morning was conducted by Rev. J. T. Proctor who read for the lesson 1 John 4: 7-17, and spoke upon the theme “Love for the Kingdom.”

The Conference was called to order and minutes read and approved.

After further discussion of the report from the Trustees of the Shanghai College and Seminary the report was adopted.

The resignation of Mr. Proctor as Trustee of the same institution was offered.

The report of the Nominating Committee on a Trustee for the Shanghai College and Seminary resulted in the election of Rev. J. R. Goddard, D.D., for a term of three years.
The resignation of Mr. Proctor was accepted and Mr. Latimer elected to serve the remainder of Mr. Proctor's term, viz., for one year.

It was voted that Mr. Jones should fill out Mr. White's term as Trustee of the Shanghai Institution upon the departure of Mr. White.

The report of the Trustees of the Shaohsing Seminary was adopted. See page 21.

The report of the Wayland Academy Trustees and Educational Committee was presented by Mr. Keen. It was voted to accept the report in so far as it related to the condition of the schools, the various recommendations to be acted upon later, also that Mr. Keen be requested to prepare a brief of the report for publication. See pages 22-25.

A motion to consider the recommendations of the Wayland Academy Trustees and Educational Committee was carried after which certain measures were voted. See page 28.

It was voted that Mr. Robison be requested to assist Mr. Jones in school work during the latter's absence in the country.

After prayer by Mr. Millard the Conference adjourned.

**Sunday, September 1.**

11 A.M.

The Annual Sermon was preached by Rev. Percival R. Bakeman on the theme "The Indwelling Christ." Scripture lesson from John 15, and text from Gal. 2:20.

The evening Praise and Prayer Service was under the leadership of Dr. MacKenzie whose theme was "The Safety of God's People."

**Monday, September 2.**

9.30 A.M.

The devotional service was led by Rev. E. E. Jones.

The report of the Educational Committee regarding fees, scholarships and appropriations for Girls' Schools was submitted by Mr. Keen and adopted. See page 30.
The report of the Language-Study Committee was adopted. See page 28.

Mr. Millard read a paper on the subject—"The Meaning and Challenge of the Present Missionary Situation." It was voted to request the Editor of "The New East" to publish the same.

A motion presented by Mr. Latimer concerning the publication, distribution and apportionment of expense of the Minutes of the Conference was referred to a Committee composed of the Corresponding and Recording Secretaries.

Resolutions on Union and Federation were offered by Mr. Proctor and by vote of the Conference adopted. See page 41.

A partial report of the Publication Committee was accepted and adopted.

A communication from Dr. F. W. Goddard concerning literary work and the transfer of the treasury was laid on the table.

The Reference Committee presented the following matters of business the full text of which will be found on pages 32-38. It was voted.

1. To refund money expended on house by Mr. Latimer.
2. To appoint a committee consisting of Dr. Goddard and Mr. White to look up a site for missionary compound in Chusan
3. To request Mr. Proctor to visit Huchow as frequently as possible in order to assist, the expense of such trips to be met from the Huchow appropriations.
4. To forward a resolution to the Executive Committee expressing the hearty thanks of the Conference for increase in salary.
5. To adopt a resolution expressing thanks to Miss Nellie Adams for service rendered.
6. To recommend that the amount of the deficit of the Ningpo Boys' School be met by the Board.
7. To ask that the Woman's Society of the West should cede to the A. B. M. U. the Chapel at the North Gate, Ningpo.

8. To ask from the Woman's Society of the West permission for Miss Rawlings to use money appropriated for personal teacher and two Bible-Women for personal teacher and one Bible-Woman.

9. To request both of the Woman's Boards to make all appropriations, except for salaries, in Mexican.

After prayer by Mr. Keen the Conference was adjourned until 7.30 Monday evening.

7.30 P.M.

After a brief devotional service led by Dr. Goddard the Trustees of the Shanghai College and Seminary reported on the question of including the students of the Southern Baptist Convention in our statistical report. See page 27.

Upon motion of Mr. White the vote relating to the apportionment of expense of Minutes was reconsidered. The former vote of the Conference was sustained. See report of Publication Committee, page 43.

The Publication Committee was authorized to print 600 copies of the Minutes.

An addition to the report of the Language Study Committee was adopted. See page 28.

The Reference Committee concluded its report. See pages 32-38. It was voted

1. To authorize Messrs. Proctor and White to purchase property for Headquarters and Church in Shanghai.

2. To take off the list of special needs the $900 asked for to enlarge the Shaohsing Church, and to refer to the Shaohsing Mission the task of submitting plans for a new Church with estimates for the same.

3. To authorize Messrs. Proctor and Latimer to proceed with the purchase of land in Huchow as provided for by Mr. Waite.
4. To authorize Mr. Latimer to repair old houses on East Street for the Boys' School.

5. To request the Woman’s Board of the East to submit matters of mission policy to the Conference. See page 37.


7. To approve the list of needs for land, buildings, etc., after the following amendments were passed. See page 37.

   Amendment 1.) To bracket No. 2 & 3—in list of dwellings needed—as number 2 and to leave the final decision to the Reference Committee. Voted.

   Amendment 2.) To allow the Secretary to insert the report of Messrs. Holmes and Keen concerning the estimate of $2,500 for land in Kinhwa. Voted.

8. To approve request for new workers, both men and women. The Reference Committee was unable to decide whether Ningpo or Huchow should be placed first on the list for a new woman worker. Upon ballot of the Conference Huchow was placed first.

9. To adopt Resolutions expressing gratitude for coming of Delegation to Centenary Conference. See page 40.

10. To adopt resolution concerning name for the Ningpo Girls’ School. See page 42.

The Reference Committee suggested that the Members of the Conference be more careful hereafter in the matter of deficits.

It was voted to adopt the tentative report of the Ways and Means Committee, (See page 12), also to continue Mr. White as Committee to make further investigation as to the probable number of workers required. Mr. Proctor was appointed to continue his calculations as to probable number of schools required and cost of same with instructions to report to Central Committee.
An outline of the Policy of this Conference was submitted by Mr. Proctor and adopted. A Committee consisting of Messrs. Proctor, Millard and White was appointed to revise the same and prepare for publication in the Minutes. See page 10.

It was voted to approve the request for $300 for the work in Hangchow to enable Mr. Bakeman to rent a house for the coming year.

The Conference expressed its thanks to Dr. and Mrs. J. R. Goddard for many kindnesses extended.

The Conference voted to meet again August 20, 1908. After prayer and benediction by Dr. Jenkins the Conference adjourned.