

if they judge it necessary for the interests of the church and of the book room. And a time shall be fixed—at as early a day as practicable—for the investigation of the official conduct of the said agent, at which one or more of the bishops shall be requested to attend, and with the concurrence of the bishop or bishops present, and of the majority of the committee he may be removed from office in the interval of the General Conference. And in case a vacancy occurs in the Agency, it shall be the duty of the book committee and one of the general superintendents as soon as practicable to provide for such vacancy until the next General Conference.

5. In the absence of the agent every Annual Conference shall appoint a committee who shall attend to the collection of the accounts sent out from the book room, and return an accurate report of the same. They shall also report to the conference any claims which have been one year due, that they may be collected or secured. Every presiding elder, minister and preacher shall do everything in his power to recover all debts due to the book room, and also all books belonging to it within the bounds of his charge. If any person, preacher or member be indebted to the book room and refuse or neglect to make payment, or to come to a just settlement, let him be dealt with in the same manner as is directed in other cases of debt and disputed accounts.

6. Whenever a member of an Annual Conference applies for a location, it shall be asked in