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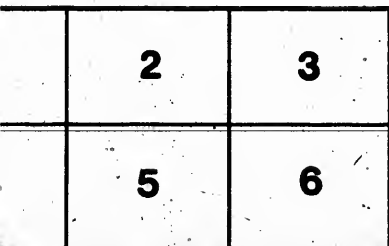
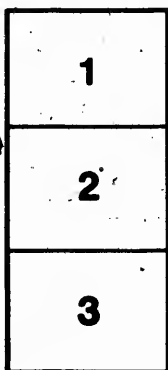
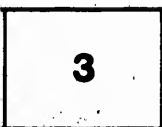
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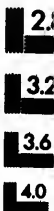
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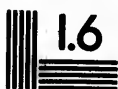
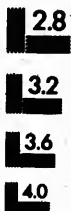
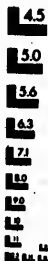


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## RULES AND ORDERS OF CONFERENCE.

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### I.

THE Conference shall meet at 8 o'clock, A.M., and adjourn at half-past 12 o'clock, P.M.; but may alter the times of meeting and adjournment at their discretion.

### II.

The President shall take the Chair, precisely at the hour to which the Conference stood adjourned, and cause the same to be opened by reading the Scriptures, singing, and prayer. And on the appearance of a quorum, shall have the Journals of the preceding

day read and approved, when the business of the Conference shall proceed in the following order, viz.:—

1. Reports, first of the Standing and then of the Select Committees.
2. Petitions, Memorials, and Appeals.

### III.

The President shall decide all questions of order, subject to an appeal to the Conference; but, in case of such appeal, the question shall be taken without debate.

### IV.

He shall appoint all Committees, not otherwise specially ordered by the Conference; but any member may decline serving on more than one Committee at the same time.

## V.

All motions or resolutions introduced by any member shall be reduced to writing, if the President, Secretary, or any two members request it.

## VI.

When a motion or resolution is made and seconded, or a report presented, and is read by the Secretary, or stated by the President, it shall be deemed in possession of the Conference; but any motion or resolution may be withdrawn by the mover at any time before decision or amendment.

## VII.

No new motion or resolution shall be made until the one under consideration is disposed of; which may be done by adoption or rejection, unless one of the following motions should

intervene, which motions shall have precedence in the order in which they are placed, viz. : indefinite postponement, laying on the table, reference to a committee, postponement to a given time, amendment, or a substitute.

### VIII.

No member shall be interrupted when speaking, except by the President, to call him to order when he departs from the question, uses personalities or disrespectful language; but any member may call the attention of the President to the subject, when he deems a speaker out of order. And any member may explain if he thinks himself misrepresented.

### IX.

When any member is about to speak in debate, or to deliver any matter to

the Conference, he shall rise from his seat and respectfully address himself to the President.

### X.

No person shall speak more than twice on the same question, without leave of the Conference; nor shall any person speak more than once, until every member choosing to speak shall have spoken.

### XI.

When any motion or resolution shall have passed, it shall be in order for any member who voted in the majority to move for a reconsideration.

### XII.

No member shall absent himself from the sittings of the Conference without leave, unless he be sick, or unable to attend.

## XIII.

No member shall be allowed to vote on any question who is not within the bar at the time when such question is put by the President, except by leave of the Conference, when such member has been necessarily absent.

## XIV.

Every member who shall be within the bar at the time the question is put shall give his vote, unless the Conference, for special reasons, excuse him.

## XV.

No resolution altering, rescinding, or proposing any new rule of discipline, shall be adopted, until it shall have been at least one day in the possession of the Conference.

## XVI.

A motion to adjourn shall always be in order, and shall be decided without debate.

