

MINUTES

OF THE

GEORGIA ANNUAL CONFERENCE,

M. E. CHURCH, SOUTH.

HELD IN MACON, GEORGIA, NOV. 15th, 1865.

BISHOP PIERCE, PRESIDENT.
J. BLAKELY SMITH, SECRETARY.
GEO. G. N. MACDONELL, ASSISTANT.

QUESTION 1. *Who are admitted on trial?*

ANSWER. Frederick L. Allen, James M. Stokes, Chas. J. Oliver,
Robt. J. Corley, Francis G. Hughes, Wiley T. Hamilton, W. P.
Rivers, Cyrus H. Ellis, Elijah S. Tinor, Clement A. Evans.

QUES. 2. *Who remain on trial?*

ANS. Geo. T. Embry, Peter A. Heard, A. M. Hollifield, Willis
T. Caldwell.

QUES. 3. *Who are admitted into full connection?*

ANS. Eldridge K. Aiken, John R. Deering, Wm. C. Maloy, J.
O. A. Cook, James T. Lowe and James L. Fowler.

QUES. 4. *Who are re-admitted?*

ANS. John W. Simmons.

QUES. 5. *Who are received by transfer from other Conferences?*

ANS. Geo. Bright, A. G. Worley.

QUES. 6. *Who are the Deacons of one year?*

ANS. Isaiah S. Hopkins, Wm. A. Dodge, Wm. C. Dunlap, Benj.
J. Baldwin, J. Tabor Payne, John R. Parker, Morgan Calloway,
Olin S. Means.

QUES. 7. *What traveling Preachers are elected and ordained Deacons?*

ANS. Eldridge K. Aiken, John R. Deering, Wm. C. Maloy, J. O. A. Cook, James T. Lowe, John L. Fowler, Morgan Calloway.

QUES. 8. *What local Preachers are elected and ordained Deacons?*

ANS. James M. Stokes, Wm. F. Foster, Wiley T. Hamilton, Gideon Powledge, Dan'l M. Lucas, Bogan Mask, John Gantt, Jefferson F. Wright, John M. Bolton, James A. Baugh, Stephen D. Clements, John W. Jordan, Philip Dell, Chas. J. Oliver, Francis B. Davies, John S. Travis and John H. D. McRae.

Elected but not ordained,—Abraham D. Chenault, John N. Wilcox, John Donald, Jesse J. Harris, Henry Shelnut, Walter Lanier, Warren Summerhill, W. C. Lovejoy, Newton Trimble, Levi T. G. Powell, John W. Atwater, Jesse L. K. Smith, Robt. A. Eaks, and James Hughes.

QUES. 9. *What traveling Preachers are elected and ordained Elders?*

ANS. Benj. W. Williams, Robt. A. Holland, Thos. J. Embry, Britton Sanders, Wm. P. Pattillo, John R. Gaines, Robt. H. Jones, John M. Lowrey, Anderson J. Jarrell, Robt. A. Seale, Wm. A. Rogers, Leonidas R. Redding.

QUES. 10. *What local Preachers are elected and ordained Elders?*

ANS. Miles G. Norton, Augustus C. Pringle, Thos. G. Scott, Ephraim F. Sweat, Theodore A. Pharr and Wm. Park.

QUES. 11. *Who have located this year?*

ANS. John P. Baily, David Crenshaw, David E. Starr, Thos. H. Stewart, S. S. Sweet, Robert H. Rogers, W. W. Stewart, John W. Neese, Sandford Leake.

QUES. 12. *Who are supernumerary?*

ANS. Isaac N. Craven, Alex. Means, Miller H. White, J. W. Traywick, Jesse R. Littlejohn, Yeung F. Tignor, Wm. F. Conley, Olin S. Means, John B. Wardlaw.

QUES. 13. *Who are superannuated?*

ANS. Jas. M. Armstrong, Wm. J. Parks, F. W. Baggerly, Jesse

W. Carroll, John S. Ford, Jas. Duntwody, Chas. L. Hayes, J. J. M. Mapp, James Quillian, E. W. Reynolds, John Simmons, Wm. B. McHan, J. B. C. Quillian, John H. Robinson, Allen Turner, David Blalock, Geo. G. Smith, Sam'l J. Bellah, John P. Howell, John W. Glenn, Joseph T. Smith, David T. Holmes.

QUES. 14. *Who have died during the past year?*

ANS. See Memoirs.

QUES. 15. *Are all the Preachers blameless in their life and official administration?*

ANS. Their characters were all examined and passed, except F. F. Reynolds, who was left in the hands of the Presiding Elder of the Augusta District.

QUES. 16. *What is the number of Preachers and Members in the several Circuits, Stations and Missions of the Conference?*

ANS. See Statistical Report.

QUES. 17. *What amounts are necessary for the Superannuated Preachers, and the Widows and Orphans of Preachers, and to make up the deficiencies of those who have not obtained their regular allowance in their respective Districts, Circuits, and Stations?*

ANS. \$13,481 00.

QUES. 18. *What has been collected on the foregoing accounts, and how has it been applied?*

ANS. \$4,473 98 —distributed to the claimants.

QUES. 19. *What has been contributed for the Missionary, Sunday School, Tract and Bible Societies?*

ANS. Missionary Society, [See Rep't of Treas'r].....	\$2,549 30
Sunday School Society,	1,395 00
Tract and Bible "	000 00

QUES. 20. *When and where shall the next session of the Conference be held?*

ANS. Americus, Ga.

QUES. 21. *Where are the Preachers stationed this year?*

ANS. See Appointments.

APPOINTMENTS FOR 1866.

DISTRICTS, CIRCUITS AND STATIONS.	NAMES OF PREACHERS.
AUGUSTA DISTRICT:	
	GEO. G. N. MACDONELL, P. E.
Augusta, St. John's,.....	<i>Arminius Wright, W. H. Potter,</i>
{ " St. James,	<i>George Kramer, I. S. Hopkins,</i>
{ " Asbury,	<i>Daniel D. Cox,</i>
{ " Trinity,	To be supplied.
{ Savannah, Trinity,	<i>A. M. Wynn,</i>
{ " Andrew Chapel,.....	To be supplied.
Springfield,	<i>N. D. Morehouse,</i>
Sylvania,.....	<i>James M. Stokes,</i>
Bethel and Colored Charge,	<i>James Jones,</i>
Waynesboro,	<i>Jas. M. Austin, C. J. Oliver,</i>
Burke Colored Charge,	<i>Thomas B. Lanier,</i>
{ Louisville,	<i>E. G. Murrah, A. T. Mann,</i>
{ Concord Mission,	<i>H. D. Murphy,</i>
Columbia and Colored Charge, ...	<i>R. A. Conner, 1 to be supplied,</i>
Richmond " " " "	<i>John A. Reynolds, 1 to be sup.</i>
ATHENS DISTRICT:	
	W. R. BRANHAM, P. E.
{ Athens,	<i>H. H. Parks, Wm. P. Pattillo,</i>
{ " Colored Charge,.....	To be supplied.
{ Watkinsville and Colored Ch'g,	<i>A. G. Worley, R. J. Corley,</i>
{ Factory Mission,.....	To be supplied.
Jefferson and Mission,	<i>M. F. Malsby, A. M. Hollifield,</i>
Madison,	<i>H. J. Adams, J. L. Pierce,</i>
Morgan and Colored Charge,....	<i>W. R. Foote, B. W. Williams,</i>
Greensboro,	<i>John W. Talley, Thos. F. Pierce,</i>
Lexington and Colored Charge,...	<i>D. J. Myrick, one to be supplied,</i>
Washington,	<i>Morgan Calloway,</i>
Wilkes and Colored Charge,	<i>L. L. Ledbetter,</i>
Lincolnton,.....	<i>T. B. Harbin,</i>
Elberton,	<i>Jno. H. Grogan,</i>
Elbert,	<i>W. T. Norman.</i>
DAHLONEGA DISTRICT:	
	W. P. PLEDGER, P. E.
Dahlonega,.....	<i>L. Q. Allen,</i>
Cumming,	<i>M. G. Hamby,</i>
{ Clarksville,	<i>F. G. Hughes,</i>
{ Cleaveland Mission,.....	<i>Joseph Chambers,</i>
Clayton,.....	To be supplied.
Blairsville and Morganton,.....	" "
Ellijay,	<i>James L. Fowler.</i>

APPOINTMENTS,—CONTINUED.

DISTRICTS, CIRCUITS AND STATIONS.	NAMES OF PREACHERS.
Canton,	John R. Parker,
Gainesville,.....	Willis T. Caldwell,
Carnesville,.....	Goodman Hughes, H. Cranford, 4
Hartwell,.....	Britton Sanders.
ROME DISTRICT:	
	BENJ. ARBOGAST, P. E.
Rome,	A. M. Thigpen,
Cave Spring and Cedar Town, ..	A. J. Jarrell,
Manassas,.....	C. A. Evans, C. H. Ellis,
Calhoun,.....	William A. Simmons,
Spring Place,	B. J. Johnson,
LaFayette,.....	W. T. Hamilton,
Dalton,	William O. Maloy,
Whitfield,.....	W. P. Rivers,
Ringgold,.....	J. L. Lupo,
Summerville,	R. J. Harwell,
Subigna,.....	James T. Lowe,
Etowah,	To be supplied.
ATLANTA DISTRICT:	
	JAMES B. PAYNE, P. E.
Atlanta, Wesley Ch'pl & Col. Ch'g	Wm. P. Harrison, W. J. Scott,
{ " Trinity,.....	A. G. Haygood, A. Means, Sup.
{ " City Mission, ..	C. W. Parker, Isaac N. Craven,
{ " Circuit,	To be supplied.
Decatur and Mission,	J. J. Morgan, W. A. Dodge,
{ Covington and Oxford,.....	Miles W. Arnold,
{ " Colored Charge,.....	John W. Yarbrough,
East Newton,.....	Wm. H. Evans, O S. Means, Sup.
West "	William A. Florence, A. Gray,
Monroe,.....	Daniel Kelsey,
Marietta,	James W. Hinton,
Alpharetta,	John R. Gaines,
Powder Spring and Dallas, ----	C. Trussell, A. J. Deavours, Sup.
Harralson Misssion,	To be supplied.
Lawrenceville,.....	George W. L. Anthony. 24
LAGRANGE DISTRICT:	
	JOHN B. McGEHEE, P. E.
LaGrange,.....	E. W. Speer;
Troup,.....	W. M. D. Bond, F. A. Kemble,
West Point, Bethel & Long Cane,	Robert H. Jones,
Greenville,	J. Blakley Smith, J. Rush, J. W. McGehee. 7 39

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DISTRICTS, CIRCUITS AND STATIONS.	NAMES OF PREACHERS.
Coweta,-----	Robert F. Jones, E. K. Aiken,
Newnan and Palmetto,-----	Peter A. Heard,
Franklin,-----	Thomas J. Embry,
Houston Mission,-----	To be supplied.
Carrollton,-----	W. C. Dunlap,
Campbellton,-----	John Murphy,
Whitesville,-----	R. W. Dixon, W. J. Wardlaw,
Ag't for American Bible Society	G. J. Pearce.

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GRIFFIN DISTRICT :

WILLIAM F. COOK, P. E.

Griffin and Colored Charge,-----	C. A. Fulwood, Wm. A. Rogers,
{ Zebulon and Barnesville,-----	R. A. Seale,
{ Pike Mission,-----	Morgan Bellah,
Fayetteville,-----	Alfred Dorman,
Thomaston,-----	J. W. Reynolds,
Upson,-----	J. O. A. Cook, M. H. White, Sup.
Monticello and Colored Charge,-----	W. W. Oslin,
McDonough,-----	James Harris, G. T. Embry,
Jackson,-----	John W. Turner,
Jonesboro,-----	George Bright, R. H. Waters,
Culloden,-----	John M. Bright, 1 to be supplied
Forsyth,-----	P. M. Ryburn,
" Circuit,-----	William G. Allen,
Griffin Female College,-----	W. A. Rogers, President.

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MACON DISTRICT :

JOSIAH LEWIS, P. E.

{ Macon, Mulberry Street,-----	Joseph S. Key, J. W. Burke,
{ " First Street,-----	William M. Crumley,
Milledgeville and Bethel,-----	George W. Yarbrough,
Sparta and Hancock,-----	B. F. Breedlove, J. W. Simmons
County Line,-----	J. V. M. Morris,
Putnam,-----	J. J. Singleton,
Eatonton,-----	Robert W. Bigham,
Clinton,-----	W. P. Arnold,
Warrenton,-----	J. M. Dickey,
Gibson,-----	Wesley Lane,
Ed. Southern Christian Advocate,	E. H. Myers,
Sunday School Agent,-----	L. Pierce,
Wesleyan Female College,-----	J. M. Bonnell, President.

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DISTRICTS, CIRCUITS AND STATIONS.	NAMES OF PREACHERS.
COLUMBUS DISTRICT :	
Columbus, St. Luke,-----	ROBERT B. LESTER, P. E.
“ Girard,-----	James E. Evans,
“ St. Paul,-----	J. R. Littlejohn,
“ City Mission,-----	J. O. A. Clark,
Muscogee,-----	C. W. Key, J. T. Norris,
Upatoi,-----	W. W. Tidwell,
Geneva,-----	W. C. Rowland,
Butler,-----	L. Rush,
Talbotton and Colored Charge,--	Geo. C. Clarke, C. A. Mitchell
Bellevue,-----	Walter Knox,
Centerville,-----	H. P. Pitchford,
{ Hamilton,-----	L. R. Redding,
{ Harris Colored Charge,-----	A. J. Dean,
LeVert Female College,-----	To be supplied.
	Geo. H. Pattillo, Professor.
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LUMPKIN DISTRICT :	
Lumpkin and Green Hill,-----	L. J. DAVIES, P. E.
Cuthbert and Georgetown,-----	John C. Simmons,
Randolph,-----	Wm. A. Parks, J. R. Owen,
Fort Gaines,-----	P. C. Harris, J. B. Wardlaw, Sup.
Stewart,-----	John H. Harris,
Buena Vista,-----	E. A. H. McGehee, J. T. Turner,
Jamestown,-----	J. T. Ainsworth, Y. F. Tignor, Sup.
Weston,-----	J. T. Payne,
Dawson,-----	D. O. Driscoll, B. J. Baldwin,
	T. T. Christian.
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AMERICUS DISTRICT :	
Americus and Colored Charge,--	SAM'L ANTHONY, P. E.
Andersonville,-----	C. R. Jewett,
Smithville,-----	W. S. Turner,
Ellaville,-----	D. W. Calhoun,
Oglethorpe,-----	J. F. Berry,
Lanier,-----	J. P. Duncan,
Fort Valley,-----	R. F. Williamson, W. Brooks,
Perry Station,-----	W. J. Cotter,
“ Circuit,-----	E. P. Birch,
Vienna,-----	J. M. Marshall.
Hawkinsville,-----	T. S. L. Harwell,
Isabella,-----	J. T. Curtis,
Starkville,-----	To be supplied.
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DISTRICTS, CIRCUITS AND STATIONS.	NAMES OF PREACHERS.
SANDERSVILLE DISTRICT:	J. D. ANTHONY, P. E.
Sandersville,-----	D. R. McWilliams, J. W. Knight
Irwinton,-----	J. M. Lowrey,
Jeffersonville,-----	W S Baker, J. W. Traywick, Sup
Dublin,-----	Charles A. Moore,
Jacksonville,-----	J. E. Sentell,
Mt. Vernon,-----	S. A. Clarke,
Reidsville,-----	L. B. Payne, W. F. Conley, Sup.
Hinesville,-----	William M. Watts,
Swainesboro,-----	L. P. Neese,
Statesboro,-----	W. T. McMichael,
Bryan,-----	To be supplied.
Darien and McIntosh,-----	" "
Missionary to China,-----	Y. J. Allen.

Moses A. Leake, transferred to Montgomery Conference.

F. L. Allen, " " Texas "

E. S. Tinor, " " Florida "

R. A. Holland and J. R. Deering, transferred to Kentucky Conference.

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1 J. H. G.

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MEMOIRS.

MEMOIR OF REV. WINDSOR GRAHAM.

REV. WINDSOR GRAHAM was born in Richmond County, North Carolina, but was for many years a citizen of Jackson County, Ga. His early years were not blessed with religious or educational advantages. About the year 1820, he was soundly converted to God, when he consecrated his soul fully to the Lord; and was, for many years, an earnest exhorter in our church. He became a member of this Conference in January, 1834, and for more than twenty years, was an effective, zealous preacher. For some eight or ten years he has been superannuated. During these last years, he has resided in Henry County, Ga., where he died in great peace, on the 21st of January, 1865.

Brother GRAHAM, in some respects, was no ordinary man. While his educational advantages were limited, consequently limiting his preaching abilities, yet such was the holiness of the man, such his burning zeal, such his earnest consecrated life, such the melting tenderness of his heart, that he was remarkably successful in his ministry. He carried the holy fire with him, and kindled all the churches into a blaze where he preached. If any Circuit had declined in religion, he was chosen, as one of the best men of the Conference, to revive and save them. "His heart was made up of tenderness;" hence he wept over his people with an earnest solicitude for their welfare, and sought to win them to Christ by love, and many are the stars that shine in the crown of his rejoicing. We hear a voice from heaven saying: "Write, blessed are the dead which die in the Lord, from henceforth. Yea, saith the Spirit, that they may rest from their labors; and their works do follow them."

MEMOIR OF REV. W. W. ROBISON.

REV. W. W. ROBISON was born in Washington County, Ga., November 20th, 1809. He lost his mother when five years old, but in after life, believed it was the influence of her piety and prayers, that led to his conversion in his 17th year, when he made a profession of religion and united with the Church. He was for several years a Class Leader and Exhorter, and in July, 1833, was

licensed to preach. In 1834, he joined the Conference and was appointed to the Crawfordsville Circuit. From that time, until 1848, he served successively, with credit to himself and usefulness to the Church—sometimes with great success—the following charges, viz: Savannah River Mission; Hamilton Circuit; Covington Circuit; Macon; Thomaston Circuit; Talbotton; Lumpkin; Perry Circuit; Forsyth Circuit; Culloden Circuit; Greenville Circuit, and Forsyth Circuit, again. At the close of 1848, he located and moved to Columbus, Ga., where he lived and labored as a Local Preacher, for twelve years, continuing all the while, zealous, consistent, faithful and earnest in his ministerial duties, laboring as occasion and opportunity offered; being always the true and staunch friend of the itinerant, and the Church he loved so much. During these twelve years, he was constantly dissatisfied and regretting his seemingly necessary relation of Local Preacher—his preferences and heart all being in the undivided work of his Master, and he often said, that this was the direct cause of barrenness and religious decline in his soul. Feeling thus, he yielded to his convictions and returned to the Conference in 1861, where he remained in the regular work, until death released him from work in his Lord's vineyard on earth, and he was admitted to the companionship and joys of the redeemed in heaven. His illness was short, his death sudden and unexpected, but calm and peaceful, as that of the good man will ever be. On Sabbath, the 22d of October last, he was taken with a congestive chill, from which he never reacted, but continued to suffer, until Tuesday, the 24th, when he quietly fell asleep in Jesus. His intense suffering from congestion of the lungs, prevented his talking, except with extreme difficulty, but being told by a friend, that he could not survive long, and being asked if he had any business earthly or spiritual, to which he desired to give attention, he answered readily, "No! I have trusted God for thirty years, and can trust him to the end." Again, being asked, "if he felt the arms of his precious Saviour around him, and supporting him in his severe trials?" he answered emphatically, "Yes!" 'Tis thus, our beloved brother lived and labored, and thus he died, full of faith and meet for Heaven; "and he being dead, yet speaketh."

Brother ROBISON was an amiable, kind-hearted, modest, sweet-spirited, Christian gentleman and minister, full of charity, benevolence and true, ardent friendship, spiritual and consistent in his piety

and manner of living, and to a more than ordinary extent, an exception to the rule, "that a prophet is not without honor, *save* in his own country, and among his own people;" for he was respected and loved, and useful in the city, where he had lived and preached for so many years. He had an even, well-balanced mind; a sound judgment; a good stock of what we call common sense, and more than ordinary ability and power as a preacher, and at some places and periods during his ministerial life, he was eminently useful. The image of his smiling, genial face is still before us, and the memory of his simple, fervent piety, and christian brotherly kindness, is still fragrant and pleasurable to our hearts, and stimulative of gracious purposes, to a life of faith and duty.

He leaves a widow and two children to mourn his loss, and to bespeak our sympathy and prayers. A good man has passed away, and we believe, entered into the home of the blessed forever.

REPORTS:

ON PREACHING TO THE COLORED PEOPLE.

The Special Committee on the Report of the Board of Managers of the Georgia Conference Missionary Society with regard to the colored people, beg leave to say that the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, has, in the past, endeavored faithfully to discharge its duty, in the preaching of the gospel to the colored people, always recognizing, as it did, the claims of this class of our population,—which preaching of the gospel God has blessed to the conversion of hundreds of thousands of them; and that our last statistical report showed 26,000 colored members and probationers in the bounds of this Conference, and 206,000 enrolled as members and probationers of the M. E. Church, South.

This most encouraging result of our efforts hitherto—the conservative influence of religious truths upon them, as manifested in their quiet, peaceable behavior during the war—their general good conduct since it closed, and their poverty and dependence now, appeal to us for redoubled diligence and enlarged efforts in their behalf. They are now emphatically *the poor who are to have the gospel preached unto them*. They appeal to our patriotism, to our philanthropy

and Christian charity, and your Committee is sure that they do not appeal in vain. The same love for souls that caused us to follow them amid miasmas and death, to the rice and cotton fields of the South, that we might present to them the *unsearchable riches of Christ*, continues to impel us to the discharge of this duty. Our proximity to them, our long service of them, our familiarity with their habits and character, and the seeming intention of Providence that they shall remain among us, indicate that God designs that we shall continue to assist our sister churches of the South, to furnish them with the Gospel and to be the instruments of their salvation, therefore be it

Resolved, 1st. That we will continue to do all in our power to give the Gospel to the colored people in our bounds, recognizing in them, now that they are free, the same immortal beings for whom Christ died, that they were when slaves.

Resolved 2d. That we require our Presiding Elders and Preachers in charge to see that our colored people have the preached word, and that our quarterly conferences be requested to co-operate in this work, and our local preachers be enlisted in it as much as practicable.

Resolved, 3d. That *class collectors* be appointed among them by the preacher in charge, to receive what they are willing to pay toward the support of the Gospel.

Resolved, 4th. That the Bishop be requested, in making his appointments, to so connect the colored people with the whites, as to give the general supervision of the work among them to the preacher in charge.

The report was adopted.

ON HOUSES OF WORSHIP FOR COLORED PEOPLE.

The Special Committee on the Report of the Board of Managers, of the Georgia Conference Missionary Society in regard to the colored people, beg leave further to report that, whereas, applications have been made by several colored charges for the transfer of titles to church edifices and church lots, and for permission to withdraw from the M. E. Church, South, therefore, we recommend the adoption of the following resolutions:

Resolved, 1st. That as the titles of the houses of worship used by

such colored charges, are vested in Trustees for the use of colored members of the M. E. Church, South, so that the Georgia Conference has no power to convey this property to any other organization whatever; and applications therefore must await the action of the Quarterly Conferences under the direction of the next General Conference: *Nevertheless*, that where none of the members of such charges continue to be members of the M. E. Church, South, we recommend to the Quarterly Conferences and Trustees of said church property, that the colored people who were lately members of our Church, be permitted to use them to worship in.

Resolved, 2d. That as some of our colored churches have selected colored pastors for the ensuing year, and we are desirous that all our colored members should continue to be members of the M. E. Church, South, that the Bishop be requested to appoint such persons as supplies for said church, under the general supervision of the preacher in charge for the ensuing Conference year.

REPORT ON BIBLE CAUSE.

The Committee on the Bible Cause, beg leave to report:

That they have considered the question of the relation of this Conference to the Bible Societies with which it has heretofore been connected, and recommend the following for adoption:

Whereas, there is great destitution of the word of God, within the bounds of this Conference; and whereas, the Confederate States Bible Society is not now actively engaged in distributing the Scriptures, and may not resume its work, as a separate organization in the future, therefore,

Resolved, 1st. That we recommend the presiding Bishop to appoint the Rev. G. J. Pearce, agent for the American Bible Society.

2d. That the agent be, and he is hereby instructed to open a correspondence with the American Bible Society, for the purpose of informing them that it is the sense of this Conference that no auxiliary Society should be formed in the bounds of the Georgia Conference through its agent, before the time of the sitting of the next General Conference of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, for the following reasons, to-wit: Our people are at present so improv-

orished, that but little can possibly be done, for some time to come, in the way of collections in the bounds of the Georgia Conference; and again, because we do not now know, either the purposes or prospects of the Confederate States Bible Society as to its future operations, nor what action the ensuing General Conference of the M. E. Church, South, may take in reference to this subject.

3d. That if the next General Conference of the M. E. Church, South, reaffirm its former relations to the American Bible Society, it is the wish of this Conference that the Rev. G. J. Pearce continue his labors as agent amongst us, as contemplated in his appointment at this time.

4th. That the Preachers be requested, everywhere, to aid Bro. Pearce in this work of procuring and distributing the Scriptures, and in taking collections and donations for this purpose wherever it may seem judicious and practicable to make the effort.

The Report was adopted.

GEORGIA SOLDIERS' ORPHAN ASSOCIATION.

On motion, Hon. B. C. Yancey, President of the Soldiers' Orphan Association of Conference was requested to call an early meeting of the Board of Managers to determine what further measures may be necessary to provide for the educational wants of the indigent children of our worthy deceased and disabled soldiers.

The following are the officers of this Association:

Hon. B. C. YANCEY, President; Dr. A. A. Lipscomb, Hon. James M. Chambers, Hon. James Jackson, and Hon. T. M. Furlow, Vice-Presidents; Y. L. G. Harris, Secretary; Albon Chase, Treasurer; Henry Hull, Jr., B. F. Hardeman, Col. D. Barrow, Rev. J. O. A. Clark, E. E. Rawson, and E. H. Myers, D. D., Directors.

REV. ARMINIUS WRIGHT, TREASURER, IN ACCOUNT
 GEORGIA MISSIONARY SOCIETY, DR.

AUGUSTA DISTRICT.

Augusta, St. John's, Rev. J. E. Evans,-----	\$160 75
" St. James, Rev. George Kramer,-----	27 00
Savannah, Trinity and Wesley Chapel, A. M.	
Wynn,-----	75 80
Waynesboro', L. L. Ledbetter,-----	53 50
Burke Colored Mission, Thomas B. Lanier,-----	234 00
Louisville & Colored Mission, D. R. McWilliams,--	10 25
Warrenton, James M. Dickey,-----	100 00

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ATHENS DISTRICT.

Athens, H. H. Parks,-----	\$127 00
Watkinsville and Colored Mission, D. J. Myrick,--	55 00
Madison, Rev. A. Gray,-----	40 50
Greensboro', and Colored Mission, W. M. Arnold,	30 00
Lexington and Colored Mission, W. H. Evans,--	80 00
Washington St., H. J. Adams,-----	13 00
Wilkes and Colored Mission, J. M. Austin,-----	10 00
Elberton and Colored Mission, Jno. H. Grogan,--	116 25

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LAGRANGE DISTRICT.

LaGrange, Rev. E. W. Speer,-----	\$ 75 00
Troup and Colored Mission, Thos. J. Embry,--	15 00
West Point, Robert H. Jones,-----	40 50
Greenville and Colored Mission, J. Blakely Smith,	117 25
Newnan and Palmetto, by J. Blakely Smith,-----	20 00
Houston Mission, A. Dorman,-----	75 65
Carróllton Mission, D. W. Stripling,-----	20 00
Whitesville, Robert W. Dixon,-----	46 00

 \$409 40

ATLANTA DISTRICT.

Wesley Chapel, A. M. Thigpen,-----	\$ 30 00
Trinity, A. G. Haygood,-----	25 00
Decatur, J. J. Morgan,-----	66 75
Newton & Colored Mission, Daniel Kelsey,-----	100 00

[Atlanta District, — Continued.]

Alpharetta, J. R. Gaines,.....	30 50
Lawrenceville, Rev. S. A. Clarke,.....	5 00

 \$257 25

GRIFFIN DISTRICT

Griffin, C. A. Fulwood,.....	\$ 17 00
Forsyth Circuit, W. J. Cotter,.....	10 00

 \$ 25 00

MACON DISTRICT

Putnam and Colored Mission, J. J. Singleton,.....	\$151 90
Perry, W. G. Allen,.....	150 00

 \$301 90

SUMMARY

Augusta District,.....	\$660 50
Athens ".....	471 75
Atlanta ".....	257 25
LaGrange ".....	409 40
Griffin ".....	27 00
Macon ".....	301 90
Americus ".....	420 00
Uncurrent money sold.....	1 50

 Total.....\$2,549 30

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Nov. 20, by amount paid out to Missionaries.....\$2,549 30

NOTE.—No collections reported from the Columbus, Sandersville, Rome and Dahlonega Districts, except in Confederate currency, which is worthless.

APPORTIONMENTS FOR CONFERENCE COLLECTION.

The Board of Finance recommend that the amount necessary to meet the claims of superannuated preachers, widows and orphans of preachers, and deficient preachers, be apportioned as follows: and that the Presiding Elders be requested to distribute these sums in their respective Districts; making the assessment of the District Stewards the basis of distribution.

Augusta District,.....	\$1,760
Dahlonega ".....	350

Atlanta	"	700
Macon	"	1,600
Americus	"	880
LaGrange	"	1,200
Athens	"	1,340
Rome	"	500
Griffin	"	440
Columbus	"	1,400
Sandersville	"	830
Lumpkin	"	500
Whole amount,		<u>\$11,000</u>

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RESOLUTIONS.

COLLECTION TO DEFRAY EXPENSES OF DELEGATES TO GENERAL CONFERENCE.

Resolved, That the Preachers in charge of Circuits and Stations, are hereby directed to take up collections in all our Churches during the month of February, to defray the expenses of the Delegates to the General Conference, and convey the moneys to the nearest Delegate, to be equally divided between the Delegates and Bishop Pierce at the General Conference; and if there be a surplus, the residue be turned over to aid other Conferences in paying their Delegates and the Bishops their expenses. Adopted.

AMERICAN BIBLE SOCIETY.

Resolved, That this Conference is highly gratified and most heartily approve of the liberal and Christian course pursued by the American Bible Society during our national troubles, in donating Bibles, etc., where most needed in the South as well as the North. Adopted.

COLORED CHURCHES APPLYING FOR TITLES.

Resolved, That the Secretary be requested to furnish Colored Churches applying for titles to Church edifices used by them with a copy of the resolutions adopted by Conference upon that subject. Adopted.

DIVISION OF THE CONFERENCE.

Resolved, 1. That the Delegates from this Conference to the General Conference are hereby requested to obtain the privilege

from that body, to divide this into two Conferences; at such time as it may, in future, determine to do so.

Resolved, 2. That the General Conference be requested to give us that part of the State of Georgia now in the Florida Conference. Adopted.

FAST DAY.

Resolved, That the 1st Friday in April be set apart by the Georgia Conference as a day of humiliation, fasting and prayer, to make confession of sins, to implore pardon, to intercede for the restoration of prosperity to our country, to invoke the Spirit of grace and wisdom upon the deliberations of our General Conference, to entreat the blessing of God upon the Church, and the anointing of the Holy Ghost upon the ministry; and further, that the Preachers do, in their several charges, make arrangements in ample time, with the aid of the Class-leaders, Exhorters and Local Preachers, to hold, if possible, one or more religious services on that day, with every congregation in the Conference; and, that they convey to the Churches, the affectionate greetings of this body, with a respectful request, that every member of our communion attend upon such service, and otherwise solemnly and sacredly observe a general fast.

SOUTHERN CHRISTIAN ADVOCATE.

Whereas, the condition of the country and of the Church, more than ever demands the circulation of a well-conducted organ of the Church; and the derangements of the mails and the scarcity of money, present unusual difficulties to be overcome, therefore

Resolved, That each and every member of this Conference, hereby pledges himself to renewed efforts to sustain our old and favorite *Advocate*; *it can not—it must not—it shall not, go down!*

The report was adopted.

COLLECTION FOR THE CHINA MISSION.

Resolved, That the Preachers take up a collection, specially, in behalf of the China Mission, during the month of February, and remit the same to the nearest Delegate to the General Conference, to be carried forward to the Missionary Treasurer.

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STATIONS, CIRCUITS, &c.	Whites on Probation.	Whites in full Communion.	Colored on Probation.	Colored in full Communion.	Local Preachers.	For Conference Collection.	For Bible Society.	SCHOOLS.	Officers and Teachers.	White Pupils.	Colored Catechumens.	Sunday School Requisites.	Sunday School Reading Books.	For Ga. Con. S. S. Society.	For own School.	Contributions of S. S. Scholars.	Donations from Ga. G. C. S. S. Society.	No. Conversions in Sunday School.
Brought forward.....	242	2017	126	687	16	483 00	.....	14	118	788	160	745	883	.....	207 50	.....	.....	6
Greensboro and Colored Mission.....	90	450	50	400	5	40 00	.....	5	25	150	.....	400	600	.....	.....	.....	.....	25
Atwood Factory Mission.....	80	875	40	360	1	38 50	.....	2	10	65	.....	300	850	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Lexington and Colored Mission.....	4	105	38	181	1	75 00	.....	1	11	70	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Washington.....	28	240	8	120	1	25 00	.....	1	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Wilkes and Colored Mission.....	.....	25	.....	88	.....	.....	.....	1	5	20	.....	75	25	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Broad River Mission.....	87	289	26	118	4	27 00	.....	2	15	125	.....	125	300	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Lincolnton and Colored Mission.....	150	403	100	240	4	100 00	.....	2	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Elberton and Colored Mission.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
ELBERTON.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
TOTAL.....	686	3854	393	2189	32	744 10	.....	25	184	1218	150	1645	2158	.....	207 50	.....	.....	31
DAHLONEGA DISTRICT.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Dahlonega and Lumpkin Mission.....	152	346	15	66	7	.....	.....	3	.....	100	.....	100	800	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Cumming.....	70	493	85	55	5	.....	.....	8	40	245	.....	200	200	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Clarksville.....	.....	50	565	21	123	11	.....	6	40	272	.....	200	200	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Clayton Mission.....	10	186	2	5	.....	.....	.....	5	28	153	.....	120	115	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Blairstown and Mission.....	87	337	.....	6	9	.....	.....	4	20	120	.....	120	115	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Morganton.....	65	100	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	200	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Morganton.....	60	700	.....	30	6	.....	.....	7	30	900	.....	.....	200	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Ellijay.....	80	754	.....	78	10	.....	.....	.....	28	150	.....	.....	400	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Canton.....	96	404	.....	28	8	.....	.....	.....	4	54	.....	.....	200	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Gainesville.....	.....	.....	11	98	.....	.....	.....	.....	51	311	.....	.....	200	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Carnesville.....	41	683	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Hartwell.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
TOTAL.....	661	4518	52	469	59	.....	.....	49	256	1605	.....	1640	14 15	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
ROME DISTRICT.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Rome and Colored Mission.....	2	125	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1	13	115	.....	200	500	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Cave Spring and Cedar Town.....	158	430	64	146	10	2	12	40	30
Carried forward.....	155	555	64	146	12	8	25	155	280	500

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Brought forward,.....	155	555	64	140	12			8	25	155		230	500		40 00			12
Manassas,.....	108	450	44	122	9			3	32	168		50	75					
Edgarlee Mission,.....	90	176	8	15	1			2	18	69								
Calhoun,.....	88	415		27	4			1	2	20								
Spring Place,.....	50	250			7			3	12	80								
LaFayette Mission,.....	73	459		44	2			1	7	40			250					
Dalton,.....		81	10	10	7			4	25	195								
Whitfield,.....	13	440	10	59	10			2	14	50			80					10
Ringold Mission,.....	45	250		5	5			2										
Sumnerville,.....	119	406	5	40	6													
Subigna,.....																		
TOTAL,.....	736	3432	141	458	65			19	130	707		230	555		40 00			22
ATLANTA DISTRICT.																		
Atlanta, Wesley Chapel,.....	39	227			5	40 00		1	33	170		230	500		169 00			
Colored Charge,.....					5	25 00		1	25	150		320			175 00			
Trinity,.....	10	250																
City Mission,.....					1	65 75			75	280								15
Circuit,.....	13	366			5				20	101		600						70
Decatur,.....	107	337			7				10	300								
Covington and Oxford,.....	54	183	88	101	2			2	20	101								
Newton and Colored Mission,.....	289	993	10	228	8	19 95		6	16	300			200					
Monroe,.....	105	520	20	140	5			4	24	130								
Marblets and Colored Charge,.....	105	520	20	140	4													
Marblets,.....	232	150	5	130				9	31	448		248	189					
Alpharetta,.....	102	564	7	8	7			1	5	35		84	26					
Powder Springs and Dallas,.....	20	120	1	1				5	15	100								
Paulding Mission,.....	198	581	25	158	5													
Laurenceville,.....					1													
TOTAL,.....	1174	4641	106	607	64	171 70		41	298	1724		1482	915		843 00			85

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Brought forward,.....	148	1186	81	175	8	807 85		6	72	473		427	160		50 00			
Hamilton,.....	45	147			8	60 00		2	9	60		200	200					
Harris Mission,.....			32	100							150							
Ellaville,.....	12	275	10	100	9	23 00		7	15	100		100	100					32
Buena Vista,.....	89	298	88	195	3	20 40		8	44	295		600	300					
Butler,.....																		
Lanier,.....	46	110	15	50	3	40 00		2	8	35		50	90					
Jamestown,.....	80	149			1	54 50												
Upatote,.....																		
Centerville,.....	12	252	20	233	3			2	14	50		50	80					
Bellevue,.....	31	209	23	151	1													
Geneva,.....						27 00												
Muscogee,.....	49	194	16	95		5 00			4	85			100					
Oglethorpe,.....				84				1										
TOTAL, AMERICUS DISTRICT.	402	2907	185	1173	31	103735		23	166	1043	150	1227	880		50 00			82
Americus,.....	27	824			2	60 00		1	24	80		100	500		50 00			10
Colored Charge,.....			21	81	1				46	260		250	250		30 00			25
Sumter,.....	45	439	60	214	7	100 00		7	46	240								
Dawson,.....	147	350	90	200	4	180 00		6	42	210								
Randolph,.....	102	334	45	162	7	17 00		3	17	85		166	100					
Cuthbert and Emmas,.....	2	259	48	261	2	15 00		1	10	50								
Fort Gaines,.....	83	10	10	120		12 00		1	8	50		100	200					
Lumpkin and Green Hill,.....	20	140	26	125	1	15 00		1	15	70		75	150					
Stewart,.....	44	381	80	168	4	100 00		5	30	126		150	285					
Chanticochee Mission,.....			83	423														
Webster,.....	25	236	50	165	3	50 00		4	16	200			125					15
Georgetown and Mission,.....	90	40	2	16		16 00		2	20	80								
Carried forward,.....	505	2486	405	1957	31	515 00		31	223	1232		891	1660		70 00			50

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Brought forward.....	505	2486	405	1957	31	515 00		31	228	1292		891	1660		70 00			80
Starkville and Colored Mission.....	49	182	11	34	1	10 05		4	4	19		125						
Vienna.....	114	516	57	269	6	27 55		4	8	100								
Isabella.....	40	121	13	88	1			2	6	30								
Pataula Mission.....																		
TOTAL.....	705	3305	456	2218	39	552 60		38	245	1331		1036	1660		20 00			80
SANDERSVILLE DISTRICT.																		
Sandersville.....	125	521	140	800	5			4	25	200		200	100					
Irwinton.....	68	256	20	82	1			1	8	55								
Jeffersonville.....	60	215	100	125	3	40 85		5										
Dublin.....	63	400	8	54	6													
Jacksonville.....	9	315	45	117	5													
Mt. Vernon Mission.....	64	257	55	16	1			2	8	80		12	75					
Bryan.....	11	72	1	6				2	5	60		65	60					
Statesboro.....	42	300	19	19	4			4	19	108		162	175					
Darien and McIntosh.....	9	110	4	108	1			4	4	15		175						
Swainsboro.....	75	300	25	40	3			5	10	50		100	200					
Hinesville.....	12	316	30	325	4			6	20	76		345	200					
Reidsville.....	30	260	60	60	4	18 50		2	8	40		200	300					
TOTAL.....	577	3331	456	1249	36	54 35		29	107	629		1244	910					

RECAPITULATION.

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Augusta District,	481	5907	351	2988	85	485 80	26	217	1772	388	3123	8911	588 50	35	
Athens " "	686	3854	893	2189	32	744 10	25	184	1218	150	1643	2188	207 50	81	
Dahlonega " "	661	4518	52	469	59	49	256	1603	1040	1415	22	
Rome " "	786	3482	141	458	65	19	180	707	290	855	40 00	85	
Atlanta " "	1174	4641	106	807	64	171 70	41	998	1724	81	1492	2311	843 00	42	
LaGrange " "	1099	4365	576	1895	70	454 95	41	228	1256	2264	916	42 00	15	
Griffin " "	718	3297	592	2770	42	150 35	19	128	756	100	1430	825	6 00	42	
Macon " "	368	3212	237	1600	31	738 45	15	140	693	215	1495	2156	50 00	15	
Columbus " "	462	2907	185	1173	81	1087 85	23	166	1048	150	1297	880	50 00	37	
Americus " "	708	3905	486	2218	39	592 65	38	246	1381	1096	1660	70 00	32	
Sandersville " "	577	3931	456	1249	85	54 85	29	107	699	1244	940	50	
TOTAL,	7607	41899	3585	17811	597	4687 70	325	2095	12317	1084	16266	17996	1895 00	332	
Last Report,	5229	46553	4781	21464	531	29363 00	433	2842	17292	1876	22523	34908	3308 25	266	
Increase,
Decrease,	2878	5946	1246	3653	24	26175 70	108	747	4475	322	6057	16912	1918 25

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