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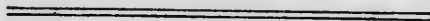
ANNUAL CONFERENCES

OF THE

METHODIST EPISCOPAL CHURCH, SOUTH,

FOR THE YEAR

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MINUTES.

I.—BALTIMORE CONFERENCE.

HELD AT BALTIMORE, MD., *March 5-14, 1873.*

BISHOP PIERCE, *President*; JOHN S. MARTIN, *Secretary*.

- QUESTION 1. Who are admitted on trial?
ANSWER. Gottlieb Meyer, John G. Knight, J. Wesley Steele, James D. Reese, James T. Williams, Wm. T. Caruthers, Alfred H. Way, Lewis Henley, Vincent W. Wheeler, Wm. M. Hiner, Washington Varner. 11.
- Ques. 2. Who remain on trial?
James T. Smith, Lewis L. Lloyd, John C. Sedwick, Henry C. Pitzer, La Fayette Fox, Oliver C. Beall, Wm. L. Lynch, Sydnor G. Ferguson, James W. Compton, Francis A. Strother. 10.
- Ques. 3. Who are discontinued?
Luke R. Markwood, Chas. E. Beauchamp. 2.
- Ques. 4. Who are admitted into full connection?
Robert Ross, Burton S. Highley, J. Rembert Smith, Asbury C. McNeer, Hamilton W. Kinzer, William E. Miller, Beverly W. Bond, James F. Follin. 8.
- Ques. 5. Who are readmitted?
Wesley Hammond, William H. Seat. 2.
- Ques. 6. Who are received by transfer from other Conferences?
Dabney Ball, from the Pacific Conference; Erastus B. Duncan, from the Florida Conference; George B. Allen, from the Memphis Conference; Thomas A. Griffiths, from the South Carolina Conference; Rumsey Smithson, from the Illinois Conference; John Hannon, from the Virginia Conference. 6.
- Ques. 7. Who are the deacons of one year?
John S. Hutchinson, Jefferson W. Duffy, Leslie H. Davis, Richard S. Shreve, William O. Ross, George W. Lightner, John W. Canter. 7.
- Ques. 8. What traveling preachers are elected deacons?
Beverly W. Bond, James F. Follin, James W. Compton, Francis A. Strother, Asbury C. McNeer, J. Rembert Smith, Wm. E. Miller. 7.
- Ques. 9. What traveling preachers are ordained deacons?
Asbury C. McNeer, J. Rembert Smith, Wm. E. Miller, Beverly W. Bond, James F. Follin, James W. Compton, Francis A. Strother. 7.
- Ques. 10. What local preachers are elected deacons?
William J. Breeden, William M. Hiner. 2.
- Ques. 11. What local preachers are ordained deacons?
William J. Breeden, William M. Hiner. 2.
- Ques. 12. What traveling preachers are elected elders?
Lewis G. Martin, Frazier Furr, Henry D. Bishop, Samuel W. Haddaway, Hamilton W. Kinzer, Leslie H. Davis, Wm. O. Ross, Francis H. Shipley. 8.
- Ques. 13. What traveling preachers are ordained elders?
Lewis G. Martin, Frazier Furr, Henry D. Bishop, Francis H. Shipley, Samuel W. Haddaway, Hamilton W. Kinzer, Leslie H. Davis, William O. Ross. 8.
- Ques. 14. What local preachers are elected elders?
Alexander McV. Cooper. 1.
- Ques. 15. What local preachers are ordained elders?
Alexander McV. Cooper, Joshua E. Humphreys, Robert G. Sanford. 3.
- Ques. 16. Who are located this year?
R. B. Frampton, E. T. R. Frippe, Wm. E. Munsey. 3.
- Ques. 17. Who are supernumerary?
S. Kepler, J. W. Boteler, F. M. Mills, J. P. Hyde, F. H. Richey, J. N. Hank, J. W. Bull, W. J. Perry, J. H. Dulaney, E. R. Smith, J. N. Spangler, A. R. Martin, G. R. Jefferson,

W. R. Stringer, E. L. Kregelo, E. F. Heterick, Mabury G. Balthis, J. C. Hummer. 18.

Ques. 18. Who are superannuated?

Norval Wilson, Henry Hoffman, Elias Welty, P. S. E. Sixeas, Wm. Hedges, Wm. H. D. Harper, Thomas B. Sargent, John W. Tongue, Wm. G. Cross. 9.

Ques. 19. What preachers have died during the past year?

None.

Ques. 20. Are all the preachers blameless in their life and official administration?

Their names were called over, one by one, and their characters examined and passed, except James F. Clarke and Lorenzo D. Huston, who were expelled.

Ques. 21. What is the number of local preachers and members in the several circuits, stations, and missions of the Conference?

Baltimore District.

	White Mem's.	Col'd Mem's.	Loc'l Pr's.
Baltimore:			
Central.....	207	.....	5
St. Paul's.....	360	.....	2
Emmanuel.....	174	.....	1
Frederick Avenue.....	70	.....	.....
Calvary.....	138	.....	2
Baltimore Circuit.....	344	.....	2
Hookstown and Pikesville	63	.....	1
Frederick City.....	83	.....	.....
Linganore	178	.....	1
Rockville.....	379	.....	2
Hillsboro	388	7	1
Montgomery	165	.....	1
Howard	122	.....	1
Beltsville	172	.....	.....
Laurel.....	170	.....	.....
South River	132	.....	.....
Bladensburg.....	180	.....	1
Pierce German Mission	15	.....	.....
Keener German Mission	17	.....	2
	3357	7	22

East Baltimore District.

Baltimore:			
Trinity.....	290	.....	.....
East Baltimore.....	92	.....	.....
North Baltimore	148	.....	.....
Taylor's Circuit.....	200	.....	1
Harford	140	.....	.....
Talbot	208	.....	2
Trappe Station.....	80	.....	.....
Kent Circuit.....	92	.....	.....
Queen Anne's.....	282	.....	.....
Severn.....	85	.....	.....
West River.....	237	.....	1
Calvert	250	.....	2
Prince George.....	200	.....	2
Charles.....	214	.....	.....
St. Mary's (no report).....	.....	.....	.....
	2518	.....	8

Washington District.

Washington City:			
Mt. Vernon Place	262	.....	.....
Alexandria and City Mission.....	345	1	1
Fairfax.....	280	.....	1
Falls Church.....	383	.....	3
Farmwell.....	107	1	.....
Leesburg.....	242	.....	.....
Hamilton and Grove	245	.....	1
Loudon.....	481	.....	1
Piedmont Circuit.....	526	3	3

Washington District (continued).

	White Mem's.	Col'd Mem's.	Loc'l Pr's.
Linden.....	213	12	.....
Warrenton.....	129	1	2
Fauquier.....	383	.....	1
Prince William.....	225	6	.....
Stafford	476	2	.....
Fredericksburg	182	.....	.....
	4479	26	13

Winchester District.

Winchester Station.....	556	.....	1
Winchester Circuit.....	655	.....	3
Frederick Circuit.....	86	.....	1
Front Royal	214	.....	3
Berryville	275	.....	.....
Martinsburg	105	.....	1
Berkeley.....	174	.....	.....
Jefferson.....	202	.....	.....
Darkesville.....	123	.....	.....
Shepherdstown.....	272	.....	.....
Gainsboro.....	262	6	1
Morgan.....	122	.....	2
Shannondale Mission.....	85	.....	.....
Wardensville.....	175	.....	1
	3306	6	13

Rockingham District.

Staunton	393	.....	.....
Harrisonburg.....	249	1	.....
Shenandoah Iron Works.....	45	4	1
Mt. Sidney.....	150	.....	1
Churchville.....	207	.....	.....
Bridgewater.....	353	.....	2
East Rockingham.....	267	.....	.....
Rockingham	213	.....	1
Rockingham Mission.....	146	.....	.....
New Market.....	120	1	.....
Woodstock.....	290	2	1
Luray	246	1	3
	2679	9	9

Roanoke District.

Salem Station	170	.....	.....
Salem Circuit.....	200	2	2
Blacksburg and Christiansburg	296	.....	2
Fincastle.....	329	.....	.....
Lexington Circuit	105	.....	.....
Buchanan	188	.....	1
Catawba and Newcastle.....	126	.....	1
Sinking Creek.....	180	.....	2
La Fayette Mission.....	180	.....	1
Montgomery.....	185	.....	2
	1959	2	11

Lewisburg District.

Lewisburg.....	132	.....	.....
Frankford.....	235	.....	1
White Sulphur Station	21	.....	.....
White Sulphur Circuit.....	127	.....	.....
Levelton.....	185	1	1
Green Bank	178	.....	.....
Centreville	260	.....	.....
Union	129	.....	.....
Peterstown.....	50	.....	1
Summers.....	130	3	.....
Hillsdale Mission	69	.....	.....
Sweet Springs.....	80	.....	.....
Blue Sulphur.....	139	2	1
	1735	6	4

Lexington District.

	White Mem's.	Col'd Mem's.	Loc'l Pr's.
Lexington Station.....	172	.....	1
Collierstown.....	119	.....	.....
Fairfield.....	199	.....	.....
Greenville.....	61	.....	.....
Augusta.....	115	.....	1
West Augusta.....	52	1	.....
Upper Botetourt.....	103	.....	2
Covington.....	150	.....	2
Alleghany.....	94	.....	2
Monterey.....	175	.....	.....
Doe Hill.....	97	.....	1
Crab Bottom.....	129	3	1
Highland.....	95	.....	.....
Jackson's River.....	90	.....	.....
Warm Springs Mission.....	53	.....	.....
	1704	4	10

Moorefield District.

Moorefield Station.....	121	1	.....
Petersburg.....	198	.....	2
Franklin Mission.....	188	2	.....
South Branch.....	240	.....	.....
Springfield.....	256	.....	1
North River.....	175	.....	2
Piedmont Station.....	170	.....	1
Frostburg.....	59	.....	3
Cumberland.....	87	.....	.....
Flintstone.....	200	.....	1
Rainsburg.....	20	.....	.....
	1714	3	10

Recapitulation.

Baltimore District.....	3357	7	22
East Baltimore ".....	2518	.....	8
Washington ".....	4479	26	13
Winchester ".....	3306	6	13
Rockingham ".....	2679	9	9
Roanoke ".....	1959	2	11
Lewisburg ".....	1735	6	4
Lexington ".....	1704	4	10
Moorefield ".....	1714	3	10
Total this year.....	23,451	63	100
Total last year.....	23,095	103	102
Increase.....	356	.....	.....
Decrease.....	.....	40	2

Ques. 22. How many infants have been baptized during the year?
1204.

Ques. 23. How many adults have been baptized during the year?
806.

Ques. 24. What is the number of Sunday-schools?
396.

Ques. 25. What is the number of Sunday-school teachers?
3558.

Ques. 26. What is the number of Sunday-school scholars?
19,677.

Ques. 27. What amount is necessary for the superannuated preachers, and the widows and orphans of preachers?
\$3,975.

Ques. 28. What has been collected on the foregoing account, and how has it been applied?
Collected, \$3,975. Applied to claimants.

Ques. 29. What has been contributed for missions?
\$4,302 03.

Ques. 30. Where shall the next session of the Conference be held?
At Staunton, Va.

Ques. 31. Where are the preachers stationed this year?

BALTIMORE DISTRICT.

John S. Martin, P. E.

Baltimore:
Central, Dabney Ball; S. Kepler, J. Newman Hank, Sups.
St. Paul's, Robt. R. S. Hough, J. W. Bull, Sup.
Emmanuel, J. Lester Shipley, W. J. Perry, Sup.
Frederick Avenue, J. M. Grandin, J. H. Dulaney, Sup.
Calvary, Isaac W. Canter.
Baltimore, William K. Boyle.
Baltimore Circuit, Lewis R. Jones, J. W. Compton, Wm. R. Stringer, Sup.
Hookstown and Pikesville, G. G. Brooke.
Frederick City, George T. Tyler.
Linganore, David Bush.
Rockville, Peter H. Whisner, Beverly W. Bond.

Hillsboro, Adam B. Dolly, La Fayette Fox.
Montgomery, William A. McDonald.
Howard, John G. Knight.
Beltsville, Samuel W. Haddaway.
Laurel, G. W. Lightner, Washington Varner.
South River, W. W. Watts.
Bladensburg, F. A. Mercer, Lewis Lloyd.
Baltimore and Hookstown German Mission, G. Meyer.
Maryland Agricultural College, S. Register, President.

EAST BALTIMORE DISTRICT.

Samuel Rodgers, P. E.

Baltimore:
Trinity, John Hannon, Eugene R. Smith, Sup.
East Baltimore, George H. Zimmerman, Asbury R. Martin, Sup.
North Baltimore, H. E. Johnson.
Taylor Circuit, J. Higgins, T. W. Brown, J. N. Spangler, Sup.
Hampden, Erastus B. Duncan.
Harford, John C. Sedwick.
Talbot, James R. Van Horne, John W. Steele.
Trappe Station, W. C. Maloy.
Kent, John A. Kern.
Queen Anne's, C. L. Torreyson, J. Rembert Smith.
Severn, Hamilton W. Kinzer.
West River, Presley B. Smith, William E. Miller.
Calvert, Gilson Mauzy, James D. Reese.
Prince George, S. Townsend.
Charles and St. Mary's, Robert Smith.
Editor of *Baltimore Episcopal Methodist*, William S. Baird.

WASHINGTON DISTRICT.

Nelson Head, P. E.

Washington City:

Mt. Vernon Place, Alpheus W. Wilson, John W. Boteler, Sup.

Alexandria and City Mission, Ezra F. Busey, Oliver C. Beall, F. M. Mills, Sup.

Fairfax, Edward H. Henry, Wm. T. Caruthers.

Falls Church, L. H. Crenshaw, J. P. Hall, Sup.

Farmville, Lorenzo D. Nixon, J. C. Hummer, Sup.

Leesburg, J. M. Follansbee.

Hamilton and Grove, John C. Dice.

Loudon, H. H. Kennady, Thomas A. Griffiths.

{ Piedmont, C. G. Linthicum.

{ Linden, F. A. Strother.

Warrenton, Louis C. Miller.

Fauquier, H. A. Gaver.

Prince William, H. Monroe Strickler.

Stafford, Andrew Robey.

Fredericksburg, James S. Gardner.

Agent for Mt. Vernon Place, Washington City, John Poisal.

WINCHESTER DISTRICT.

W. H. Wheelwright, P. E.

Winchester Station, T. E. Carson.

Winchester Circuit, Wm. G. Eggleston, one to be supplied, M. G. Balthis, Sup.

Frederick Circuit, G. Stevenson, E. F. Heterick, Sup.

Front Royal, S. G. Ferguson.

Berryville, Foushee C. Tebbs, J. P. Hyde, Sup.

Martinsburg, W. Hammond.

Berkeley, William H. Seat.

Charlestown, William A. Wade.

Jefferson, John T. Maxwell.

Shepherdstown, Allen A. P. Neale.

Gainsboro, Lewis G. Martin.

Morgan, Milton A. Taylor.

Shannondale, to be supplied.

Wardensville, S. F. Butt.

ROCKINGHAM DISTRICT.

J. Hoffman Waugh, P. E.

Staunton, S. S. Roszell.

Harrisonburg, J. B. Fitzpatrick.

Shenandoah Iron Works, J. F. Liggett.

Mount Sidney, John S. Hutchinson.

Churchville, John W. Wolff, G. R. Jefferson, Sup.

Bridgewater, Joseph J. Engle.

Sangersville, G. B. Allen.

East Rockingham, William O. Ross.

Rockingham, A. A. Eskridge.

Elk Run, Henry D. Bishop.

New Market, W. H. Wilson.

Woodstock, J. H. March, one to be supplied.

Luray, Aaron Boone.

Wesleyan Female Institute, Wm. A. Harris, President.

ROANOKE DISTRICT.

James E. Armstrong, P. E.

Salem, Jason P. Etchison.

Roanoke, Joseph H. Temple.

Blacksburg, W. Harris.

Christiansburg, J. W. Ewan.

Fincastle, Charles A. Joyce, James F. Follin.

Lexington Circuit, A. Poe Boude

James River, J. T. Williams.

New Castle, Robert Ross.

Catawba, to be supplied (by G. W. Gardner).

Sinking Creek, L. Butt.

La Fayette Mission, J. N. Gray.

New Hope, to be supplied (by H. W. Lester).

Montgomery Female College, S. K. Cox, President.

LEWISBURG DISTRICT.

John L. Gilbert, P. E.

Lewisburg, W. G. Hammond.

Frankford, Leslie H. Davis, V. W. Wheeler.

White Sulphur Station, B. S. Highley.

White Sulphur Circuit, Lewis Henley.

Levelton, L. H. Baldwin.

Edray Mission, J. W. Canter.

Green Bank, Joseph Crickenberger.

Centreville, Saul B. Dolly.

Union, William T. Quinn.

Peterstown, to be supplied (by W. G. Hedricks).

Summers, William M. Hiner.

Hillsdale Mission, J. Hank.

Blue Sulphur, William L. Lynch.

LEXINGTON DISTRICT.

W. G. Coe, P. E.

Lexington, John L. Clarke, E. L. Kregelo, Sup.

Collierstown, A. Q. Flaherty.

Fairfield, Francis H. Shipley.

Greenville, Thomas Briley.

Augusta, Addison Weller.

West Augusta Mission, R. H. Wilson.

Upper Botetourt, Charles L. Dameron.

Covington, B. F. Ball.

Alleghany, A. C. McNeer.

{ Monterey, R. S. Shreve.

{ Doe Hill, Henry C. Pitzer.

Crab Bottom, T. Hildebrand.

Highland, S. S. Ryder.

Jackson's River and Warm Springs, J. S. Porter.

Green Valley Mission, Chas. C. Wertenbaker.

Oakland Institute, W. R. McNeer, President.

MOOREFIELD DISTRICT.

David Thomas, P. E.

Moorefield, I. R. Finley.

Peterstown, Frazier Furr.

Franklin Mission, S. R. Snapp.

South Branch, R. Smithson.

Springfield, James H. Wolf.

North River Mission, to be supplied.

Lost River and Beans, Alfred H. Way.

Piedmont, John Landstreet.

Frostburg and Somerset, L. W. Haslup.

Cumberland, J. W. Duffey.

Flint Stone, James Beatty, J. Timothy Smith.

2.—VIRGINIA CONFERENCE.

HELD AT NORFOLK, VA., *Nov. 26-Dec. 4, 1873.*BISHOP KEENER, *President*; PAUL WHITEHEAD, *Secretary*.

QUESTION 1. Who are admitted on trial?

ANSWER. Frederick Bickel, John H. Kabler, Henry C. Paulett, John H. Patterson, Wm. R. Smithey, Charles H. Green, Thomas McKnight Simpson, Herbert M. Hope, Jas. H. Maynard, John T. Moore. 10.

Ques. 2. Who remain on trial?

Wm. E. Evans, Wm. E. Mitchell, Thos. H. Campbell, Christian Evers, Lewis A. Guy, Richard J. Moorman. 6.

Ques. 3. Who are discontinued?

None.

Ques. 4. Who are admitted into full connection?

Werter H. Gregory, James E. Gates, James F. Twitty. 3.

Ques. 5. Who are readmitted?

Ro. M. Saunders. 1.

Ques. 6. Who are received by transfer from other Conferences?

John T. Weaver and Charles W. Pettit, from the Methodist Protestant Church. They were recognized, and their names placed upon the Conference-roll. 2.

Ques. 7. Who are the deacons of one year?

James A. Hughes, Daniel G. Butts, James T. Lumpkin. 3.

Ques. 8. What traveling preachers are elected deacons?

Werter H. Gregory, Christian Evers, Lewis A. Guy, Frederick Bickel. 4.

Ques. 9. What traveling preachers are ordained deacons?

Christian Evers, Lewis A. Guy, Werter H. Gregory, Frederick Bickel. 4.

Ques. 10. What local preachers are elected deacons?

John A. Herndon. 1.

Ques. 11. What local preachers are ordained deacons?

John A. Herndon. 1.

Ques. 12. What traveling preachers are elected elders?

Wm. E. Payne, George M. Wright, Ed. M. Jordan, Wm. P. Jordan, John Q. Rhodes. 5.

Ques. 13. What traveling preachers are ordained elders?

Wm. E. Payne, George M. Wright, Ed. M. Jordan, Wm. P. Jordan, John Q. Rhodes. 5.

Ques. 14. What local preachers are elected elders?

Newton H. Cox, Edward Hebard. 2.

Ques. 15. What local preachers are ordained elders?

Newton H. Cox, Edward Hebard. 2.

Ques. 16. Who are located this year?

William W. Walker, Charles V. Bingley, John W. F. Jones, James L. Fisher, at their own request. 4.

Ques. 17. Who are supernumerary?

John J. Lafferty, William H. Camper, Thos. H. Early, James McAden, James A. Riddick, William J. Norfleet, Robert B. Beadles, Joseph H. Riddick. 8.

Ques. 18. Who are superannuated?

Joseph Carson, Benj. Devany, John C. Garlick, Jacob Shough, Benj. Williams, Samuel T. Moorman, Benj. T. Ames, Wm. A. Robinson, Wm. R. Cobb, John McClelland. 10.

Ques. 19. What preachers have died during the past year?

Robert J. Carson, George N. Guy, Matthew M. Dance, Jeremiah McMullen. 4.

ROBERT JOINER CARSON was born, near Louisburg, Franklin county, N. C., in the year 1809. His mother was a very pious member of the M. E. Church, and through her influence he was brought to embrace religion while but a youth. He obtained a good English education, and at twenty years of age was admitted on trial into the Virginia Conference, February, 1829. He traveled Williamsburg, Gloucester, Charlottesville, Amherst, Buckingham, Prince Edward, Campbell, and Chesterfield Circuits. At the Conference of 1837, when the Virginia Conference was divided and the North Carolina Conference was set off, he was placed on the Roanoke District, North Carolina Conference, to which work he devoted all his energies of soul and body for four consecutive years. In 1840 he was married to Mrs. Mary Williams, of Martin county, N. C., a lady in every respect well qualified to make his life happy, and whose companionship, next to religion, he regarded as the richest honor God ever gave him. She still lives, and keenly realizes the heavy loss she has sustained in the death of such an affectionate and devoted husband. In 1841 he was Presiding Elder on the Newbern District. In 1842-3 he was returned to the

Roanoke District, its name having been changed to Washington District. The next year he was agent for Randolph Macon College. For five years following he had charge of the Roanoke Mission to the colored people. Then he was Presiding Elder on the Washington District; then the Wilmington District; then the Washington District again, which was his last effective appointment. In 1858 he was placed upon the supernumerary list, and shortly after was transferred to the Virginia Conference, and remained in the supernumerary relation until his death. He was a member of the Louisville Convention of 1845, and of the General Conference of 1846. In person he was a true specimen of Nature's nobleman—tall and erect in form, and of a very commanding appearance. He was a fine preacher, often overwhelmingly powerful, and yet as simple as a child. He had many seals to his ministry, many souls for his hire. His sweetness of spirit made him a charming companion and a steadfast friend. He loved the Church for which he lived and labored, and for which he spent his life and his means. He was loved and admired by the whole community in which he had lived from the time of his marriage. The few last years of his life his health was somewhat improved, and he labored more earnestly, preaching regularly every Sabbath, building up the churches within reach of his home. Last winter his only child (Dr. Wm. Carson, living near Weldon, N. C.) was very sick. Brother Carson hastened to his bedside through a terrible storm, which exposure brought on a fatal attack of pneumonia. He died at his post, as he had lived, triumphing over death through faith in Jesus.

Our friend is restored to the joy of his Lord,
 With triumph departs,
 But speaks by his death to our echoing hearts:
 Follow after, he cries, as he mounts to the skies,
 Follow after your friend
 To the blissful enjoyments that never shall end.
 Through Jesus' name our comrade o'ercame,
 And Jesus is ours,
 And arms us with all his invincible powers;
 He looks from the skies, he shows us the prize,
 And gives us a sign
 That we shall o'ercome by the mercy divine.

GEORGE NEWTON GUY was born, in the city of Richmond, Va., July 13, 1839, and died, at the parsonage in the town of Hertford, Perquimons county, N. C., April 6, 1873, aged thirty-three years. He was the son of George F. Guy, well known in the city of Richmond as a pious Christian gentleman, and a member of old Trinity Church until a few years before his death, when he removed to the county of Henrico. His mother, Mrs. Sarah E. Guy, an estimable Christian lady, still survives, to mourn the loss of her son. George was the subject of early religious culture. That good training will produce good results was fully realized by his parents. He was never prodigal, but, in the language of his mother, "always a good boy." He was converted to God under the ministry of the Rev. J. A. Duncan, D.D., at old Trinity Church, in 1858. Here his life

of consecration to God began. Under the training of his faithful pastor, who no doubt plainly saw gifts and graces which would render him a useful and acceptable minister, he was licensed to exhort, and then to preach, by the Quarterly Conference of Trinity Station. He exercised his gifts as a local preacher until he was received as a probationer in the Virginia Conference, held in the city of Norfolk in November, 1861. In 1862-3 he traveled Dinwiddie Circuit; in 1864-5 Coalfield Circuit; in 1866 he was at Cambridge Station; in 1867-8 Smithfield Circuit. March 28, 1867, he was married to Miss Bettie S. Taylor, of Chesterfield county. In 1868 he was returned to Dinwiddie, now known as West Dinwiddie; here he spent four years—1869-70-71-72—laboring with great zeal and acceptability. At the Conference in Petersburg, 1872, he was appointed to the Hertford Circuit. He was early at his post of duty, and entered with cheerfulness upon his work. In the brief space of four months he had greatly endeared himself to the people of his charge, and hope and expectation were high with both people and preacher. Brother Guy had complained of a slight indisposition for several days before he was taken ill, but not enough to disqualify him for his work. He preached in Hertford on Wednesday night, and on Thursday attended to his usual duties. Thursday night, April 3, he was attacked with what he and the family supposed to be bilious colic. The physician saw him on Friday morning, when he was very ill. He was supposed to be better on Saturday, and no one apprehended serious results. He was worse Saturday night, and Sunday morning it was evident that his disease had baffled all remedies, and his end was approaching. He was aware of it, and frequently said to his physicians, in paroxysms of pain, "No remedy." He was rational at intervals, but so careful was he of the comfort of his wife, who is in delicate health, he said nothing of his approaching end, nor complained amidst his intense sufferings. But what testimony to the truth of our holy religion, and of his acceptance with God, like that of a pious, consecrated, unselfish life! This testimony George N. Guy bore until he fell asleep in Jesus, on Sunday night, April 6, at half-past seven o'clock. George N. Guy needs no eulogy from us, but his Christian and ministerial excellences justly entitle him to more than we can say of him in this brief tribute to his memory. We know nothing of his early educational advantages, except that he was a good classical scholar. His *personnel* was very fine, and continual sunshine rested upon his manly brow. He was as unaffected and unselfish as a little child. He made no effort to be popular, and yet he was always so. He moved along among the people, and drew them to him by the kindness of his heart and his sanctified, intelligent piety. As a preacher he was a gifted man; his style was simple, clear, and forcible; his manner always earnest and impressive. He was emphatically a gospel preacher, and not unfrequently displayed more

than an ordinary degree of pulpit oratory. He was a *successful* preacher, and many souls were brought to Christ through his instrumentality. An evidence of his popularity and success as a preacher is found in the fact that he spent six years out of eleven of his ministerial life in Dinwiddie, where the people are still devoted to him. The death of such a man, in the vigor of his manhood, looks like a calamity to the Church, and casts a shadow over the hearts of his brethren in the ministry and in the laity; but it falls heaviest upon his young wife, three small children, aged mother, brothers, and sisters. They find consolation only in the gospel, and in the confident hope of reunion in heaven. The Presiding Elder, being in that part of the District at the time, was called to officiate at his funeral. In respect to the deceased, all places of business in the town were closed, while from the country appointments, ten and fifteen miles distant, the people came to attend his funeral, sympathize with his afflicted family, and pay their pastor a token of respect. His funeral-sermon was preached to a grief-stricken congregation, and the Masonic fraternity, of which he was a member, bore his remains to their temporary resting-place in the church-lot, where they were interred according to the burial-service of the Order. His friends contemplate the removal of his remains to Hollywood Cemetery, Richmond. May God bless his afflicted family!

MATTHEW MAZE DANCE departed this life March 8, 1873, in the eighty-fourth year of his age, at his residence in Prince Edward county, Va. He was born Jan. 29, 1790, in the county of Dinwiddie, Va. He was the youngest of nine children. His father, Matthew Dance, was the elder of two sons of Stephen Dance, and was brought up near Petersburg, Va. His great-grandfather was one of the earliest settlers of Virginia, and assisted in building the first house in Jamestown colony. He was one of the few survivors of the trials, dangers, and diseases through which that colony passed, and is said to have attained the extreme age of one hundred and twenty-five years. There is a tradition in the family that he walked ten miles after he was one hundred years old. He brought up seven sons, several of whom settled near Petersburg, and among these was M. M. Dance's grandfather, Stephen Dance. His father was a member of the Protestant Episcopal Church, under the care of that evangelical preacher, the Rev. Devereaux Jarrett, who, before Methodism was known in Virginia, established classes in his parish similar to those instituted by Wesley in England. In this Church his father was a lay-reader, or preacher, for some time, but dissevered himself from that communion and joined the Methodist a short while after that devout man of God, the Rev. Robert Williams, preached the first Methodist sermon, printed the first Methodist tract, and organized the first Methodist society, in Virginia, in the year 1772. In 1774 Mr. Williams visited Petersburg, and during that year organ-

ized the Brunswick Circuit, then extending from Petersburg to Mecklenburg. In the bounds of Bath parish, over which the Rev. Devereaux Jarrett presided, he organized societies, and it is probable that Matthew Dance connected himself with the Methodist Church that year, and became a local preacher in its communion. In 1794 he removed to Lunenburg county, when Matthew Maze was about four years old. At nine years of age the subject of this notice was sent to a boarding-school in Charlotte county, taught by the Rev. Wm. Spencer, whose rigid discipline served to curb the impetuosity of his ardent impulses, and whose character left a lasting impression upon his young mind. He continued at this and other schools until 1804. In 1807 he accepted and taught a school of twenty pupils. In this year his Christian life began. Brother Dance referred his first decided religious impressions to a prayer-meeting for the colored people on the plantation of one of his brothers-in-law. So powerful were his convictions, and so deep his sense of guilt, that he despaired of mercy, and, prior to his conversion, he stood up and warned the people not to do as he had done, and sin away their day of grace. The five years following his conversion were spent in teaching school, and diligently improving his mind, and earnestly studying the Holy Scriptures. He joined the Virginia Conference at its session in Richmond, February, 1812. His first appointment was Bertie Circuit, then containing six counties, traveling about three hundred miles, and preaching twenty-eight times in four weeks. In 1813 he was sent to the town of Manchester, and was the first stationed preacher in that place. In 1814 he was appointed private secretary to Bishop Asbury, who was in the habit of stationing all the preachers himself. This custom prevailed until the death of Asbury, in 1816, when Bishops Roberts and George introduced the present plan of using the Presiding Elders as counsel. At this Conference, held in Norfolk, 1814, Bishop Asbury ordained him deacon, and he was admitted into full connection. From this Conference he was appointed to the Raleigh Circuit, then including the city of Raleigh, N. C. The following year he was elected Secretary of the Virginia Conference, which post of labor and honor he filled with faithfulness to the Church and creditably to himself until 1822, when he located. From this Conference (1815) he was stationed in the city of Richmond. He was at this time the only Methodist preacher in that city. Here he was successor to the then distinguished Jesse Lee, and, although still quite a young man, he maintained his position creditably. At the Conference held in Petersburg, February, 1816, he was elected to Elder's orders, and was ordained by Bishop McKendree. By this Conference he was elected to the second delegated General Conference, which met the ensuing May in the city of Baltimore. He was stationed this year in the city of Petersburg, where he laid the foundation of a new church; and in 1817 he

was appointed to the Cumberland-street Church in Norfolk. In 1818 he married the accomplished Miss Susan T. Redd, daughter of John Redd, Esq., of Prince Edward county. His married life was one of continued happiness. He was blessed with a large family, numbering thirteen children, five of whom, with his aged widow, survive him. The succeeding two years were spent on the Mecklenburg Circuit. In 1820 he was the second time elected to the General Conference, which met in Baltimore. He was elected on the first ballot, receiving every vote of the Conference except two, and one of these was his own. This year he was sent to Brunswick Circuit, and in 1821 he was again returned to the Mecklenburg Circuit. In 1822 his family circumstances necessitated a location, and he settled in Prince Edward county, where he resided for fifty years, respected and loved by all who knew him. The year before his location he was elected Secretary of the Meherrin District Conference, which office he held until 1826, when the District Conferences, ordered by the General Conference of 1820, went into disuse. In 1840 he resumed his connection with the Virginia Conference, and labored for some time as a missionary to the colored people in his neighborhood. In later life he was much afflicted. Repeated attacks of paralysis so shattered his constitution that he had to desist from the active work of the ministry. The loss of his voice was a great trial to him, for he loved to preach; but the grace of God enabled him to submit so cheerfully that others were constrained to glorify God in him. For years he was on either the supernumerary or superannuated list; but, while he could not work for God in the pulpit, he was still "a living epistle known and read of all men." When a young man he was handsome; he was urbane and polished in his manners, and grew old gracefully. As a preacher he was terse, emphatic, and persuasive; he was pointed and chaste, adding accurate exposition to touching pathos, and wherever he went he seemed clothed with an unction from on high. The force of his *personnel* is seen in these facts: 1. His becoming Asbury's secretary before he was admitted into full connection. 2. His election to the office of Secretary of the Virginia Conference as soon as he became a member of that body, and his continuance in that office until his location. 3. His election to the General Conference as soon as he was eligible, and his reelection, almost unanimously, to the ensuing General Conference. The good old man, the faithful preacher, the kind husband, the devoted father, the true friend, is *dead*. The spotless purity of his life, the genial evenness of his temper, the transparency of his character, and his unwavering faith in God, make his memory blessed, and give us to feel that he was one of the links that bind us to a generation of fallen heroes. For sixty-one years he was a minister of the Methodist Church. The last hours of Brother Dance were just what we might expect from so devout a life—calm, peaceful, tri-

umphant. A few days before his death he said to his daughter, who had waited on him for years, "You must not, with your kindness, keep me back from my rest." He said to a brother minister who visited him, "I am dying—my limbs feel cold and dead, but my faith in God is stronger than ever." So died this venerable man. His funeral-sermon was preached from the text (Philippians i. 21), "For to me to live is Christ, and to die is gain."

JEREMIAH McMULLAN was born, Nov. 2, 1815, in Orange (now Greene) county, Va. He received but a limited education in early life, yet, being a man of a practical, inquiring mind, he was enabled in a measure to supply the defects necessarily resulting. He was converted when eighteen years of age, and, though family influences opposed, he connected himself with the M. E. Church. From his earliest recollection he was impressed with the idea that he was to become a preacher. However, this idea did not develop sufficiently to prevent him from assuming the responsibilities of the married state; and this, necessarily, directed his attention more fully to secular pursuits. Absorbed by these, he measurably lost sight of his call to the ministry; but, his house becoming a home for the preachers, he was soon induced to exercise his gifts as a class-leader, with which alone he thought to satisfy his conscience for three years. Conscience, however, would not excuse him, and he commenced and continued the study of theological works, in the midst of much mental distress, until the spring of 1841, at which time he determined to devote himself partially to the work of the ministry. Accordingly, he was then licensed, and preached as a local minister for five years. He now made application to his Quarterly Conference for a recommendation to the Virginia Annual Conference, to be received into the traveling connection, but, having a large family, his application was refused. He then determined to study law; but God laid his afflicting hand upon him, and he was very near to the grave. His life, however, was spared, and upon his recovery he was employed by the Presiding Elder to travel the Blue Ridge Mission. Here his labors were owned and blessed of God to such an extent that his Quarterly Conference unanimously recommended him to the Annual Conference, by which he was received on trial. To this same field he was sent, where he labored during the years of 1851-4. Perhaps no man of that day had greater difficulties to encounter or severer trials to endure. It was a region in which Methodism was scarcely known at all, and the strongest prejudices existed against it. As he boldly pressed forward in the prosecution of his work, these prejudices often developed themselves in various forms of persecution; yet none of these things moved him so as to frighten him from his work. God blessed the word preached, and there are to-day in that field men and women, standing as pillars in the Church of God, who own Brother McMullan as their spiritual father.

Indeed, the present faithful incumbent of the Piedmont Mission having gone to hear him preach, with the intention of chastising him unless a better opinion of him should be formed, was powerfully convicted and converted under the first sermon he heard. This spiritual son, though unable to read, was placed in the work; and after diligent study he was licensed to preach, and through his instrumentality more than fifteen hundred souls have professed conversion, and the greater part been added to the Church. Thus the seed sown by Brother McMullan has sprung up and produced more than a hundred-fold. Three churches, through his instrumentality, now constitute a portion of Madison Circuit, and praise, as a sweet savor, still lingers around their altars. After leaving this field of labor he was sent to Hanover two years, Mecklenburg two, Albemarle two, Princess Anne two, Hertford four, Bertie three, Halifax four, and in 1872 to Boydton. Here he finished his labors on earth. When taken sick he seemed to be aware that his end was nigh. Calling his family around him and giving them his dying injunctions, he took leave of them with the assurance of a blissful immortality. Thus, in the fifty-eighth year of his life, the thirty-second of his ministry, and the twenty-third of his Conference connection, he passed away. "His sun set while it was yet day," but no cloud arose to hide the rays that lingered even after the glorious *disc* had disappeared. Brother McMullan did not forget his brethren of the Conference even while in the arms of death—he sent a message of love to every brother.

Ques. 20. Are all the preachers blameless in their life and official administration?

Their names were called over, one by one, and their characters examined and passed.

Ques. 21. What is the number of local preachers and members in the several circuits, stations, and missions of the Conference?

Charlottesville District (continued).

	White Mem's.	Col'd Mem's.	Loc'l Fr's.
Scottsville.....	423	8	1
Fluvanna.....	601	90	5
Batesville.....	491	12	1
Gordonsville and Orange C. H.....	100	.....	2
Orange Circuit.....	190	.....	1
Greene.....	285	1	.....
Goochland.....	268	85	.....
Beaver Dam.....	295	1	1
Piedmont Mission.....	300	.....	.....
	4459	204	17

Danville District.

	White Mem's.	Col'd Mem's.	Loc'l Fr's.
Danville:			
Main Street.....	167	.....	1
Lynn Street.....	80	.....	1
Charlotte.....	298	.....	.....
West Charlotte.....	129	2	1
South of Dan.....	375	15	1
Ringgold.....	122	1	.....
Bannister.....	250	4	1
Pittsylvania.....	288	3	1
Franklin.....	735	20	1
Henry.....	278	28	.....
Patrick.....	150	16	.....
Dan River Mission.....	147	11	2
Halifax.....	419	.....	2
	3438	100	11

Lynchburg District.

	White Mem's.	Col'd Mem's.	Loc'l Fr's.
Lynchburg:			
Centenary.....	360	.....	.....
Court Street.....	352	.....	1
Amherst.....	202	.....	1
West Amherst.....	218	.....	2
Amherst Mission.....	310	.....	1
Bedford.....	302	.....	3
Jackson.....	195	.....	1
South Bedford.....	443	7	.....
Bedford Springs.....	226	1	.....
Liberty and Salem.....	172	.....	.....
Nelson.....	399	.....	.....
Appomattox.....	470	1	1
Campbell.....	572	.....	2
Buckingham.....	529	1	2
Buckingham Mission.....	79	.....	.....
Prospect.....	325	1	2
Leesville Mission.....	133	.....	1
	5287	11	17

Richmond District.

	White Mem's.	Col'd Mem's.	Loc'l Fr's.
Richmond:			
Trinity.....	360	.....	1
Rockets.....	81	.....	.....
Centenary.....	330	.....	.....
Broad Street.....	377	.....	2
Sidney.....	126	.....	1
Oregon.....	121	.....	.....
Clay Street.....	410	.....	1
Union.....	402	.....	3
Manchester.....	290	.....	2
Henrico and Charles City.....	432	1	1
New Kent.....	297	1	.....
King William.....	257	3	1
Matthews.....	851	2	1
Gloucester.....	834	1	.....
Williamsburg.....	54	.....	1
German Mission.....	31	.....	.....
	5253	8	14

Farmville District.

	White Mem's.	Col'd Mem's.	Loc'l Fr's.
Farmville.....	112	.....	.....
Mount Pleasant.....	140	.....	.....
Lunenburg.....	478	1	.....
Lewiston.....	262	4	2
Boydton.....	346	5	3
Mecklenburg.....	761	175	3
Clarksville.....	51	1	.....
Brunswick.....	784	6	4
Nottoway.....	353	.....	1
Amelia.....	350	15	4
Powhatan.....	121	.....	1
Cumberland.....	285	.....	.....
South Brunswick.....	389	.....	1
	4432	207	19

Charlottesville District.

	White Mem's.	Col'd Mem's.	Loc'l Fr's.
Charlottesville.....	180	1	2
Albemarle.....	509	.....	.....
Madison.....	372	4	2
Louisa.....	445	2	2

Petersburg District.

	White Mem's.	Col'd Mem's.	Loc'l Fr's.
Petersburg:			
Washington Street.....	521	.....	2
Wesley Chapel and Blandford.....	165	.....	3
Market Street.....	320	.....	2
High Street.....	470	2	.....
Ettricks.....	162	.....	.....
Chesterfield.....	539	6	6
Coalfield and Clover Hill.....	270	.....	1
Dinwiddie.....	270	.....	2

Petersburg District (continued).

	White Mem's.	Col'd Mem's.	Loc'l Pr's.
West Dinwiddie.....	360	.....	.....
Sussex.....	428	.....	5
Hicksford.....	121	.....	.....
Prince George.....	299	.....	.....
Surry.....	320	.....	1
	4245	8	22

Murfreesboro District.

	White Mem's.	Col'd Mem's.	Loc'l Pr's.
Murfreesboro	117	9	.....
Northampton.....	560	8	2
Meherrin.....	413	8	3
Windsor.....	218	1	1
Harrellsville	179	.....	2
Edenton	46	.....	.....
Hertford.....	710	2	2
Pasquotank	625	.....	3
Elizabeth City.....	197	.....	1
Suffolk	195	.....	1
Gates.....	832	.....	2
Southampton.....	420	2	.....
North Southampton.....	316	1	1
Chuekatuck	195	.....	.....
	5023	31	18

Norfolk District.

	White Mem's.	Col'd Mem's.	Loc'l Pr's.
Norfolk:			
Cumberland Street.....	490	.....	3
Granby Street.....	350	.....	.....
Berkeley.....	95	.....	.....
Portsmouth:			
Dinwiddie Street.....	400	.....	3
Central.....	250	.....	1
Second Street	114	.....	1
Norfolk Circuit*.....	157	.....	.....
East Norfolk Circuit.....	139	.....	1
South Norfolk Circuit.....	544	.....	2
Indian Ridge.....	579	.....	2
Dare.....	356	3	1
Princess Anne.....	812	.....	4
York	474	1	1
Hampton and Fox Hill.....	208	.....	.....
Warwick Mission.....	15	.....	.....
Smithfield.....	196	1	1
Isle of Wight.....	163	.....	.....
	5342	5	20
*Indians	37	.....	.....

Randolph Macon District.

	White Mem's.	Col'd Mem's.	Loc'l Pr's.
Rappahannock.....	340	2	.....
Rappahannock Mission.....	.....	.....	.....
Culpepper.....	52	.....	.....
Culpepper Circuit.....	260	2	.....
Spottsylvania.....	211	5	1
Caroline.....	427	.....	1
King George.....	371	1	.....
Westmoreland	425	1	2
Heathsville.....	430	.....	4
Montross.....	157	12	.....
Lancaster.....	434	.....	4
Middlesex.....	410	.....	.....
King and Queen.....	487	.....	2
Logan Mission.....	99	.....	1
Hanover.....	680	1	17
	4783	24	32

Eastern Shore District.

	White Mem's.	Col'd Mem's.	Loc'l Pr's.
Eastville.....	271	.....	1
Bell Haven.....	65	.....	1
Pungoteague.....	700	1	3
Atlantic.....	374	.....	.....
Pocomoke.....	160	.....	1
Wicomico.....	190	.....	.....
Salisbury.....	61	.....	.....
Berlin.....	107	.....	3
Dorchester.....	300	.....	1
Cambridge.....	84	.....	1
	2312	1	11

Recapitulation.

	White Mem's.	Col'd Mem's.	Loc'l Pr's.
Richmond District.....	5253	8	14
Charlottesville	4459	204	17
Danville	3438	100	11
Lynchburg	5287	11	17
Farmville	4432	207	19
Petersburg	4245	8	22
Murfreesboro	5023	31	18
Norfolk	5342	5	20
Randolph Macon	4783	24	32
Eastern Shore	2312	1	11
Total this year.....	44,574	599	181
Total last year.....	43,279	599	174
Increase—Indians, 37.....	1295		7

Ques. 22. How many infants have been baptized during the year?
1158.

Ques. 23. How many adults have been baptized during the year?
2092.

Ques. 24. What is the number of Sunday-schools?
537.

Ques. 25. What is the number of Sunday-school teachers?
5698.

Ques. 26. What is the number of Sunday-school scholars?
29,981.

Ques. 27. What amount is necessary for the superannuated preachers, and the widows and orphans of preachers?
\$6,400.

Ques. 28. What has been collected on the foregoing account, and how has it been applied?
Collected, \$5,046 23. Applied to claimants.

Ques. 29. What has been contributed for missions?
\$7,571 12.

Ques. 30. Where shall the next session of the Conference be held?
At Elizabeth City, N. C.

Ques. 31. Where are the preachers stationed this year?

RICHMOND DISTRICT.

Davis P. Wills, P. E.

- Richmond:
- { Trinity, Adam C. Bledsoe.
 - { Rocketts, to be supplied (by R. H. Mullen).
 - Centenary, John E. Edwards.
 - { Broad Street, John C. Granbery.
 - { German Mission, Frederick C. Bickel.
 - { Sidney, George C. Vanderlice.
 - { Oregon, John T. Moore.
 - Clay Street, Benjamin F. Woodward.
 - Union, Henry C. Cheatham.
 - Manchester, Wm. G. Lumpkin.
 - Henrico and Charles City, Wm. G. Williams.
 - New Kent, Thomas P. Wise.
 - King William, Charles H. Green.
 - Matthews, Alexander M. Hall.

Gloucester, Jas. C. Martin, one to be supplied (by L. B. Betty).
Williamsburg, William P. Jordan.
Editor *Richmond Christian Advocate*, W. W. Bennett.

CHARLOTTESVILLE DISTRICT.

Joseph A. Proctor, P. E.

Charlottesville, Thomas A. Ware.
Albemarle, Robert W. Watts, J. J. Lafferty, Sup.
Madison, John W. Hilldrup.
Louisa, James O. Moss.
Scottsville, Hartwell H. Gary.
Fluvanna, John W. Howard.
Batesville, Wm. W. Spain.
New Market, to be supplied.
Gordonsville and Orange C. H., Geo. W. Nolley.
Orange Circuit, Edward M. Jordan, Wm. H. Camper, Sup.
Greene, William E. Payne.
Goochland, Benjamin C. Spiller.
Beaver Dam, William T. White.
Piedmont Mission, to be supplied (by G. W. Bailey).

LYNCHBURG DISTRICT.

Henry B. Cowles, P. E.

Lynchburg:

{ Centenary, Wm. H. Christian.
City Mission, John H. Patterson.
Court Street, Wm. E. Judkins, Thos. H. Early, Sup.
Amherst, Jacob Manning.
{ West Amherst, Thomas H. Campbell.
Amherst Mission, to be supplied (by J. W. Parish).
Bedford, Edgar H. Pritchett.
Jackson, to be supplied (by Elisha De Witt).
South Bedford, John Q. Rhodes.
Bedford Springs, Travis J. Taylor.
Liberty and Salem, Richard J. Moorman.
Nelson, James E. Gates.
Appomattox, Layton J. Hansberger.
{ Campbell, William F. Bain.
German Mission, Christian Evers.
Buckingham, Joshua L. Garrett.
Prospect, Joshua S. Hunter.
Leesville Mission, John H. Kabler.

DANVILLE DISTRICT.

John M. Saunders, P. E.

Danville:

Main Street, Samuel S. Lambeth.
Lynn Street, Hezekiah P. Mitchell.
Charlotte, John D. Southall.
West Charlotte, James A. Hughes.
South of Dan, Wesley C. Vaden.
Ringgold, to be supplied (by John A. Herndon).
Bannister, to be supplied (by John G. Bailey).
Pittsylvania, John W. Tucker.
Franklin, David F. Hodges.
Henry, Henry C. Bowles.
Patrick, Henry C. Paulett.

Dan River Mission, to be supplied (by Walter S. Creasy).
Halifax, Fielding A. Davis.
Alleghany Mission, to be supplied.

FARMVILLE DISTRICT.

Francis M. Edwards, P. E.

Farmville, George W. Langhorne.
Mount Pleasant, Joseph S. R. Clarke.
Lunenburg, Robert A. Armistead.
Lewiston, George A. Ray.
Boydton, James Jamieson.
Boydton Circuit, Joseph Lear.
Mecklenburg, Thomas M. Beckham, James McAden, Sup.
Clarksville, Herbert T. Bacon.
Brunswick, David M. Wallace, one to be supplied.
Nottoway, James W. Blincoe.
Amelia, Robt. Michaels, Wm. R. Smithey.
Powhatan, James T. Lumpkin.
Cumberland, James R. Waggener.
South Brunswick, John P. Woodward, I. T. Weaver.
Lunenburg Mission, to be supplied.
Farmville College, Paul Whitehead, President.

PETERSBURG DISTRICT.

Leroy M. Lee, P. E.

Petersburg:

Washington Street, W. W. Duncan.
Wesley Chapel and Blandford, George M. Wright.
Market Street, Robert N. Sledd.
High Street and Battersea, E. M. Peterson.
Ettricks, John Bayley.
Chesterfield, Richard Ferguson.
Coalfield and Clover Hill, Thomas Diggs.
Dinwiddie, Wilbur F. Robbins.
West Dinwiddie, James E. McSparran.
Sussex, E. P. Wilson, James A. Riddick, Sup.
Hicksford, William B. Rowzie.
Prince George, Jacob H. Proctor.
Surry, William E. Allen.

MURFREESBORO DISTRICT.

L. S. Reed, P. E.

Murfreesboro, James F. Twitty.
Northampton, Benjamin F. Tennille.
Meherrin, Esmond A. Gibbs.
Bertie, Wm. P. Wright, T. M. Simpson, Jos. H. Riddick, Sup.
Edenton, Werter H. Gregory.
Hertford, James C. Watson.
Pasquotank, James W. Compton.
Elizabeth City, George E. Booker.
Suffolk, Joseph H. Amiss.
Gates, Thomas L. Williams.
Southampton, to be supplied.
North Southampton, John N. Jones.
Chuckatuck, James D. Lumsden.
Dare Circuit, to be supplied (by Newton H. Cox).
Wesleyan Female College, William G. Starr, President.

NORFOLK DISTRICT.

P. A. Peterson, P. E.

Norfolk:

Cumberland Street, John D. Blackwell.
 { Granby Street, Wm. E. Edwards, W. J.
 Norfleet, Sup.
 { City Mission; R. M. Saunders.

Berkeley, William McGee.

Portsmouth:

Monumental Church, James P. Garland.
 { Central, James W. Bledsoe.
 { Second Street, James H. Crown.

Norfolk Circuit, James C. Reed.

East Norfolk Circuit, Joseph H. Davis.

South Norfolk Circuit, Joseph J. Edwards,
Charles W. Pettit.

Indian Ridge, Charles E. Hobday.

Princess Anne, Thomas J. Bayton.

York, Robert M. Crooks.

Hampton and Fox Hill, B. W. Daugherty.

Smithfield, Joseph B. Merritt.

{ Isle of Wight, John W. White.
 { Jamestown Circuit, James W. Connelly.
 Norfolk and Petersburg German Mission, to
 be supplied.

Superintendent of German Missions, E. N. S.
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RANDOLPH MACON DISTRICT.

Leonidas Rosser, P. E.

{ Rappahannock, Milton L. Bishop.
 { Rappahannock Mission, J. F. Finnell.
 Culpepper, Herbert M. Hope.
 Culpepper Circuit, James F. Brannin.

Spottsylvania, to be supplied (by J. P. H.
Crismond).

Caroline, James L. Spencer.

King George, Thomas H. Boggs.

Westmoreland, William A. Crocker.

Heathsville, D. G. C. Butts.

Montross, J. H. Maynard, W. C. Taylor, Sup.

Lancaster, Alfred Wiles.

Middlesex John B. Laurens.

{ King and Queen, Josiah D. Hank, W. E.
 Mitchell.

{ Logan Mission, to be supplied (by J. H.
 McDonald).

Hanover, Joseph E. Potts, R. B. Beadles, Sup.

Randolph Macon College, James A. Duncan,

President; A. G. Brown, Financial Secretary.

Agent Virginia Bible Society, Geo. E. Rowe.

EASTERN SHORE DISTRICT.

John B. Dey, P. E.

Eastville, Charles E. Watts.

Bell Haven, to be supplied (by Edward He-
bard).

Pungoteague, Oscar Littleton, Lloyd Moore.

Atlantic, James M. Anderson.

Pocomoke, to be supplied (by M. Oldham).

Wicomico, to be supplied.

Salisbury, Peter F. August.

Berlin, to be supplied.

Dorchester, M. S. Colonna.

Cambridge, Lewis A. Guy.

Herman Ebers and Ro. A. Compton trans-
ferred to Texas Conference.Wm. E. Evans transferred to Baltimore
Conference.

3.—WESTERN VIRGINIA CONFERENCE.

HELD AT ASHLAND, KY., September 17-23, 1873.

BISHOP MARVIN, *President*; WM. GAINES MILLER, *Secretary*.

QUESTION 1. Who are admitted on trial?

ANSWER. Christopher C. Board, Charles W.
 Cook, Marshall W. Trippett, James W. Um-
 stead, Quincy A. Wheat, Francis M. Yates, J.
 W. Bashaw, Joseph L. Smith, Charles E. Har-
 bour, John F. Lambut, James W. Ramsey,
 Edward M. Murrell, Thomas M. Wilson,
 Charles W. Shearer. 14.

Ques. 2. Who remain on trial?

Fletcher Golden, Marion Taylor. 2.

Ques. 3. Who are discontinued?

None.

Ques. 4. Who are admitted into full connec-
tion?Clifton Dean, Reuben E. Walden, Asbury P.
Sturm. 3.

Ques. 5. Who are readmitted?

John F. Medley, Burwell S. Chambers,
Granville S. McCutchen, Joseph E. Wasson. 4.Ques. 6. Who are received by transfer from
other Conferences?

Wm. B. Kavanaugh. 1.

Ques. 7. Who are the deacons of one year?

Thomas Cooper, Adam Given, Luther H.
Mead, James O. A. Vaught, Ro. C. Wiseman,
J. S. Pullin. 6.Ques. 8. What traveling preachers are elected
deacons?

Reuben E. Walden. 1.

Ques. 9. What traveling preachers are or-
dained deacons?

Reuben E. Walden. 1.

Ques. 10. What local preachers are elected deacons?

Quincy A. Wheat, Marion T. Burgess, Chas. E. Harber, Wm. Lynch, Andrew J. Thompson, James Fraley, James H. Moore, William T. Moore, Samuel Mobly, Charles W. Shearer, H. C. Thompson. 11.

Ques. 11. What local preachers are ordained deacons?

Q. A. Wheat, M. T. Burgess, C. E. Harber, A. J. Thompson, J. Fraley, J. H. Moore, H. C. Thompson, C. W. Shearer, Samuel Mobly, W. T. Moore. 10.

Ques. 12. What traveling preachers are elected elders?

Strother F. Burgess, John Martin. 2.

Ques. 13. What traveling preachers are ordained elders?

Strother F. Burgess, John Martin. 2.

Ques. 14. What local preachers are elected elders?

None.

Ques. 15. What local preachers are ordained elders?

None.

Ques. 16. Who are located this year?

Joseph S. Jenkins, Samuel P. Cummings, Beachem G. Hull, Lemuel G. Chevrou, Strother F. Burgess. 5.

Ques. 17. Who are supernumerary?

Burwell Spurlock, Roland Bias, Jonathan K. Hedges, Wayne Kennedy. 4.

Ques. 18. Who are superannuated?

Joseph A. West. 1.

Ques. 19. What preachers have died during the past year?

Robert Fox. 1.

ROBERT FOX was born, in Culpepper county, Va., Oct. 29, 1826, and died, in Guyandotte, West Virginia, July 1, 1873. In early boyhood Brother Fox's father died, and left him a destitute orphan, with but little means and limited education, to work out his own destiny. When but a young man he came to Western Virginia and sought employment as a school-teacher. In this important trust he found time for improvement, and laid the foundation on which, in subsequent years, he reared a temple of elegant English literature. As a teacher he was deservedly popular, of irreproachable moral character. Though a strange wanderer on the world's highway, his habits of industry and economy gave him access to good society, a cordial welcome to the homes and patronage of all the good. Amid his pursuits in Western Virginia he met with the lamented Rev. L. G. Wood, then of this body, but now no more; his record is on high. Under the ministry of that man of God he was converted, and united his fortunes with the M. E. Church, South. In 1858 he was admitted on trial into this body, and assigned to Elizabeth Circuit, which he traveled two years. His next charge was New Martinsville; here

he was embarrassed much by the late unhappy war, and found it prudent to retire from his circuit, and seek employment elsewhere. His first charge after the close of the war was to Little Kanawha Circuit, on which he traveled three years. In all the charges to which he was assigned he was eminently useful, adding many to the Church, and building up our cause on a firm basis. As a pastor he was unexcelled, humble, pious, and affectionate. He loved to look up the poor and afflicted of his charge, and point them to the cross of Christ for comfort and hope. From this feature of our brother's history let others learn the way to success. In his pastoral intercourse he inspired his people with love for the class-room and love for all the institutions of Methodism. He rarely failed to make a good impression on all with whom he came in contact, and his name will long be gratefully cherished by the people of those mountain circuits. The class-room, the Sunday-school room, and the sick and dying chamber, all conspire to proclaim Robert Fox a man of God. Well posted in the usages of Methodism in Europe and America, he was prepared to meet every objection, and to resist every innovation. Brother Fox never compromised, at the bar of popular prejudice, the distinguishing features of Methodism. In all grades of society, and amid all the fluctuations of public sentiment, he was a Methodist preacher. He was artless, unsuspecting, and confiding; his attachments were strong, and he yielded to the first indications to make the *amende honorable*. His sagacity and superior knowledge of men suggested him as suitable for the responsible office of Presiding Elder, and at the Point Pleasant Conference, in 1869, Rev. S. K. Vaught, president (in the absence of the Bishop), appointed him to Guyandotte District. No purer or better man was ever selected to lead the marshalled lines of Methodism. Brother Fox continued the course so happily inaugurated by his predecessors: desolated fields were reclaimed, crumbled temples of religion were rebuilt, every part of the District was well organized, and every department of the Church, from the Quarterly Conference to the mountain Sunday-schools, moved like a well-regulated machine. His eloquence filled with delight admiring thousands, from Mud River to Tygart, from the Upper Big Sandy to the Ohio. His advent was everywhere hailed as the harbinger of success. The purity of his life and the fervor of his piety quickened the devotions of the Church, while his business capacity imparted an improved aspect to the finances of every charge. The sternness of his executive ability, his unyielding devotion to the moral code of his Church, sometimes gave offense; but our brother was conscientious, and looked only to the glory of God in all his administration. At our last Conference Bishop Kavanaugh appointed him to Barboursville, Guyandotte, and Huntingdon—an important charge. To large congregations he preached with more than usual acceptability. All that experience and talent could suggest

was done to advance the cause of the Redeemer's kingdom in those growing towns; but "God moves in a mysterious way." His health, never very vigorous, soon gave indications of decline, and he was destined soon to leave the outer walls of Zion for the inner courts of his Master's temple. His faith was strong. He lived near the divine and sacred center of the cross, only a sojourner here—his home was in heaven; though no land or cottage was his, he had a house on high. Two days before he died he left the parsonage for his usual employ, bade adieu to wife and children, commending them to God, never again to cheer their hearts and diffuse light and joy through that loved home-circle by his return. At night he was arrested by malignant disease; medical aid was called in, but all in vain. The wife of his bosom and the mother of his children was soon at the bedside of the battle-scathed husband and father, and nursed him with that tenderness which a wife and mother alone can exercise. His tabernacle was falling; earth was receding and eternity breaking on his dying vision. To his sorrowing wife he said, "Trust in God; he will care for you and our children." To a minister at his bedside he said, "Religion has been my stay and comfort in life, and now death opens the gates of glory and lets me in."

Ques. 20. Are all the preachers blameless in their life and official administration?

Their names were called over, one by one, and their characters examined and passed, except James E. Williamson, who was expelled.

Ques. 21. What is the number of local preachers and members in the several circuits, stations, and missions of the Conference?

Parkersburg District.

	White Mem's	Col'd Mem's	Loc'l Pr's
Parkersburg Station.....	240	.....	1
Parkersburg Circuit.....	244	1	1
Little Kanawha Circuit.....	310	.....	4
Spencer Circuit.....	452	.....	3
Ripley Circuit.....	242	.....	3
Ravenswood Circuit.....	259	.....	2
Point Pleasant Circuit.....	158	.....	1
New Martinsville and Middlebourne	225	.....	4
Calhoun Mission.....	300	.....	3
Mason Mission.....	27	.....	2
	2427	1	24

Huntingdon District.

Huntingdon and Barboursville.....	345	3	2
Wayne Circuit.....	432	1	.....
Catlettsburg and Ashland.....	277	.....	4
Big Sandy Circuit.....	555	1	4
Louisa Station.....	83	.....	.....
Greenup Circuit.....	237	1	6
Mt. Zion, Liberty, and Lick Run.....	271	.....	2
Spruce Lick.....	180	.....	2
	2380	6	20

Charleston District.

Charleston Station.....	117	.....	1
Charleston Circuit.....	355	1	4
Coalsmouth Circuit.....	82	.....	.....
Brownstown and Cedar Grove.....	111	.....	2

Charleston District (continued).

	White Mem's	Col'd Mem's	Loc'l Pr's
Newport Circuit.....	71	.....	1
Fayetteville and Raleigh.....	231	2	.....
Fayette Circuit.....	286	4	3
Summersville Circuit.....	404	.....	.....
Hurricane Circuit.....	297	.....	3
Sugar Grove Circuit.....	328	.....	1
Elk Mission.....	100	.....	1
	2382	7	16

Clarksburg District.

Clarksburg Station.....	75	.....	.....
Weston and West Milford.....	130	.....	2
Glenville Circuit.....	295	.....	5
Braxton Circuit.....	260	.....	3
Jacksonville Circuit.....	270	.....	2
Philippi and Buchanan.....	272	.....	5
St. George Circuit.....	212	.....	5
Marion Circuit.....	648	.....	3
Greene and Monongalia.....	468	1	.....
Randolph Mission.....	163	.....	.....
Blacksville Mission.....	127	.....	.....
	2929	1	25

Grayson District.

Paintsville Circuit.....	228	.....	.....
Grayson Circuit.....	300	1	3
Kinney and Elliot.....	339	2	4
Martin Mission.....	.....	.....	.....
Morgan Mission.....	47	.....	1
Logan and Wyoming.....	250	.....	.....
	1164	3	8

Additional.

Adjoining Braxton Circuit.....	115	.....	.....
Oakes Furnace and Walden.....	100	.....	.....
Adjoining Calhoun Mission.....	60	.....	.....
Adjoining Hurricane Circuit.....	100	.....	.....
	375	.....	.....

Recapitulation.

Parkersburg District.....	2427	1	24
Huntingdon ".....	2380	6	20
Charleston ".....	2382	7	16
Clarksburg ".....	2929	1	25
Grayson ".....	1164	3	8
Additional.....	375	.....	.....
Total this year.....	11,657	18	93
Total last year.....	11,403	21	93
Increase.....	254	.....	.....
Decrease.....	.....	3	.....

Ques. 22. How many infants have been baptized during the year?
272.

Ques. 23. How many adults have been baptized during the year?
522.

Ques. 24. What is the number of Sunday-schools?
185.

Ques. 25. What is the number of Sunday-school teachers?
1816.

Ques. 26. What is the number of Sunday-school scholars?
7157.

Ques. 27. What amount is necessary for the superannuated preachers, and the widows and orphans of preachers?

\$1,000.

Ques. 28. What has been collected on the foregoing account, and how has it been applied?

Collected,	\$639 99
Applied as follows:	
Mrs. S. Field,	163 33
Mrs. S. Field,	163 33
Mrs. Rankin,	163 33
Mrs. Williams,	50 00
Rev. J. A. West,	100 00
	\$639 99

Ques. 29. What has been contributed for missions?

\$860 47.

Ques. 30. Where shall the next session of the Conference be held?

At Philippi, Barbour county, West Va.

Ques. 31. Where are the preachers stationed this year?

PARKERSBURG DISTRICT.

W. Downtain, P. E.

- Parkersburg Station, W. Gaines Miller.
- Parkersburg Circuit, Wm. S. May, Francis M. Yates.
- Lubeck Circuit, J. C. Crooks, Chas. W. Cook.
- Spencer Circuit, Elias Kendall.
- Calhoun Mission, James W. Umstead.
- Smithville Circuit, John Cook.
- Ripley Circuit, Warwick Briscoe.
- Ravenswood Circuit, Hazel S. Williams.
- Point Pleasant Circuit, John F. Medley, M. W. Trippett.
- New Martinsville Circuit, Granville S. McCutchen.
- Mason Mission, L. H. Mead.

CHARLESTON DISTRICT.

L. B. Madison, P. E.

- Charleston Circuit, J. C. Tinsley, B. S. Chambers.
- Charleston Station, John T. Johnson.
- Brownstown Circuit, to be supplied.
- Cedar Grove Circuit, Quincy A. Wheat.
- Fayetteville Circuit, W. R. Chambers.

- Fayette Circuit, A. Given.
- Sugar Grove Circuit, Samuel Black.
- Summersville Circuit, Joseph L. Smith.
- Gauley Circuit, Edward M. Murrill.
- Elk Mission, Thomas N. Wilson.

HUNTINGDON DISTRICT.

S. K. Vaught, P. E.

- Huntingdon and Guyandotte, W. F. Claughton.
- Barboursville Circuit, Fletcher Golden.
- Wayne Circuit, C. F. Crooks, J. W. Ramsey, B. Spurlock, Sup.
- Round Bottom Circuit, to be supplied.
- Coalsmouth Circuit, R. A. Claughton.
- Hurricane Bridge Circuit, Marion Taylor, R. Bias, Sup.
- Newport Circuit, Charles E. Harber.
- Logan Mission, Christopher C. Board.
- Winfield Mission, John F. Lambert.

CLARKSBURG DISTRICT.

Thomas S. Wade, P. E.

- Clarksburg Station, J. O. A. Vaught.
- Weston and West Milford, J. M. Lauck.
- Glenville Circuit, R. E. Walden.
- Braxton Circuit, Joseph E. Wasson, J. K. Hedges, Sup.
- Jacksonville Circuit, J. S. Pullin.
- Philippi Circuit, J. W. Lambert.
- St. George Circuit, Thomas Cooper.
- Randolph Mission, to be supplied, Wayne Kennedy, Sup.
- Marion Circuit, J. H. Burns.
- Greene and Monongalia, A. P. Sturm.
- Blacksville Mission, to be supplied (by F. M. Sturm).

CATLETTSBURG DISTRICT.

W. Shearer, P. E.

- Catlettsburg Station, S. T. Mallory.
- Ashland Station, F. B. Carroll.
- Big Sandy Circuit, John Martin.
- Louisa Station, G. W. Young.
- Paintsville Circuit, Clifton Dean.
- Elliot Mission, John W. Bashaw.
- Grayson Circuit, R. C. Wiseman.
- Greenupsburg and Pond Run, W. B. Kavanaugh.
- Greenup Circuit, H. Moore.
- Mt. Zion and Liberty, Charles W. Shearer.

4.—HOLSTON CONFERENCE.

HELD AT MARION, VA., *October 15-22, 1873.*BISHOP KEENER, *President*; R. N. PRICE, *Secretary*.

QUESTION 1. Who are admitted on trial?

ANSWER. James K. Wolf, Samuel S. Weath-
erly, Isaac H. Hoskins, Elbert L. Barrett,
Joseph H. Sensabaugh, Isaac S. Ross, Wm. M.
Crawford, Frank Smith, Winfield S. Jordan,
Jacob O. Shelley, James I. Cash, John W.
Robertson. 12.

Ques. 2. Who remain on trial?

Erastus H. Bogle, Charles B. Fugate,
Leander W. Thompson, William H. Price,
John M. Wolfe, John H. Kennedy, John
W. Smith, B. R. Wilburn, Edward S.
Shelley, Joseph B. Davis, William H. Dawn,
James Atkins, jr., John R. Hixon, Daniel W.
Rucker, Stevens T. M. McPherson, R. A. Hut-
sell, Jos. A. Bilderback, Ayres Kincaid, Jas.
M. McCampbell. 19.

Ques. 3. Who are discontinued?

A. P. Stair, F. P. McGee, W. B. McKelvy,
Pinckney P. McClenn, at their own request. 4.Ques. 4. Who are admitted into full connec-
tion?David W. Carter, John P. Dickey, W. D.
Mountcastle, William R. Barnett, John H.
Parrott, Archibald T. Brooks, Return J. Onley,
John H. Keith, G. W. Simpson, George A.
Frazier, John C. Runyan. 11.

Ques. 5. Who are readmitted?

J. M. Marshall, Kennerly C. Atkins, Mitchell
P. Swain, W. H. Weaver, Daniel H. Atkins,
Hezekiah W. Bays, Lawrence M. Renfro. 7.Ques. 6. Who are received by transfer from
other Conferences?J. S. Burnett, from the Louisville Confer-
ence; Samuel Alexander, from the Missouri
Conference; John H. Robeson, from the North
Georgia Conference; John Alley, J. N. S.
Huffaker, from the M. E. Church, North, trav-
eling elders. 5.

Ques. 7. Who are the deacons of one year?

Edward W. Marsh, James K. P. Ball, Thos.
R. Handy, Timothy P. Darr, W. D. Mitchell,
W. C. Carden, Wiley J. Phillips, George W.
K. Green. 8.Ques. 8. What traveling preachers are elected
deacons?David W. Carter, John P. Dickey, William
D. Mountcastle, William R. Barnett, John H.
Parrott, G. W. Simpson, John C. Runyan. 7.Ques. 9. What traveling preachers are or-
dained deacons?David W. Carter, John P. Dickey, William
D. Mountcastle, William R. Barnett, John H.
Parrott, G. W. Simpson, John C. Runyan. 7.Ques. 10. What local preachers are elected
deacons?John M. Scott, Levi Brown, Edward Shel-
ley, William M. Crawford, Isaac N. Boyd,
Adam E. Waggoner, Francis H. Farley, Wm.
P. Eakin, Wm. W. Woodward, Absalom D.
Brown, Henry E. Joiner. 11.Ques. 11. What local preachers are ordained
deacons?John M. Scott, Levi Brown, Edward Shel-
ley, William M. Crawford, Isaac N. Boyd,
Francis H. Farley, William P. Eakin, William
W. Woodward. 8.Ques. 12. What traveling preachers are
elected elders?

George D. French, Kennerly C. Atkins. 2.

Ques. 13. What traveling preachers are or-
dained elders?

George D. French, Kennerly C. Atkins. 2.

Ques. 14. What local preachers are elected
elders?Patton J. Lockhart, Gustavus B. Wills, Ar-
thur C. Ely, Wiley D. Hale. 4.Ques. 15. What local preachers are ordained
elders?George A. Reynolds, Patton J. Lockhart,
Wiley D. Hale. 3.

Ques. 16. Who are located this year?

Nathaniel W. Vaughan, W. P. Queen, J. R.
Stradley, at their own request. 3.

Ques. 17. Who are supernumerary?

Ro. E. Smith, R. M. Hickey, W. Hicks, J.
D. Baldwin, Charles K. Miller, Sewell Phillips,
E. W. Marsh, R. W. Pickens, John Reynolds,
A. E. Woodward, W. Robeson, J. N. S. Huffa-
ker, John Alley. 13.

Ques. 18. Who are superannuated?

Joseph Haskew, L. W. Crouch, Timothy Sul-
lins, Jacob Brilhart, W. B. Winton, S. B. Har-
well, H. M. Bennett. 7.Ques. 19. What preachers have died during
the past year?

Joseph L. McGehee. 1.

JOSEPH L. MCGEHEE was born, in Smythe

county, Va., June 6, 1844. In 1858, when but a boy, under the ministry of James W. Dickey, he made a profession of faith in Christ, and was received into the M. E. Church, South. He was licensed to preach Feb. 16, 1869. In October, the same year, he was admitted on trial into the Holston Conference, and appointed as junior preacher, under Jacob Brilhart, on the Sweetwater and Philadelphia Circuit. In Oct., 1870, he was appointed in charge of the Madisonville Circuit. To this work he was reappointed the following year. In Oct., 1872, he was appointed to the Morristown Circuit, where he remained but a few months, when, by a severe attack of diarrhea, he was forced to give up his work. With this wasting disease, which became chronic, he suffered eight months, until Sept. 18, 1873, at his father's residence in Smythe county, Va. He died in great peace. Brother McGehee was no ordinary young man. With a high order of intellectual endowments, which were in early life dedicated to God, and trained to his service by intelligent Christian parents, he seemed called to much higher destinies in the militant Church; but a mysterious providence has ordered otherwise, and this strong young workman God has called from the walls of Zion to the palaces of the heavenly city. During the time of his illness and intense suffering he was never known to complain of the chastenings of his Father's hand, but, with strong faith and great resignation to divine will, he was enabled to give marked evidences of the supporting grace of God to his suffering children. He was visited during his last illness by a member of this Conference, who ever found him exulting in the hope of the gospel which he had so often preached to others. The day before his death he was asked, in view of his early dissolution, if he had any message to send to his brethren of the Holston Conference. He reflected a moment, and said: "They all know me; tell them that I now feel, as I stand so near eternity, that I have too little faith; that I have been a very poor preacher—yea, a very poor Christian; and yet I do feel that I have tried to hold fast my profession, and thank God that by his grace I am what I am, and that I delight to contemplate the rest promised me in the gospel of God's dear Son." An hour before his departure his voice, which for forty-eight hours had been scarcely above a whisper, returned, and, calling around him father and mother, brother and sister, with what friends were present, he spoke of the vast importance of religion in a dying-hour, and urged all present to possess it. He then exclaimed, "Glory to God! Amen. Come, Lord, and receive thy child! Amen. Come, Lord Jesus, come quickly!" And his spirit departed.

Ques. 20. Are all the preachers blameless in their life and official administration?

Their names were called over, one by one, and their characters examined and passed.

Ques. 21. What is the number of local preach-

ers and members in the several circuits, stations, and missions of the Conference?

Wytheville District.

	White Mem's.	Col'd Mem's.	Loc'l Pr's.
Wytheville Station.....	157	.....	1
Wytheville Circuit.....	990	.....	5
Newbern Circuit.....	405	1	2
Hillsville Circuit.....	517	10	9
Jacksonville Circuit.....	155	.....	3
Grayson Circuit.....	1064	.....	8
Jefferson Circuit*.....	990	1	8
Marion Circuit.....	783	3	5
	5067	15	41
* Indians.....	1		

Jeffersonville District.

Jeffersonville Station.....	230	5	1
Liberty Hill Circuit.....	493	.....	3
East Tazewell Circuit.....	570	14	7
Pearisburg Circuit.....	632	.....	4
Seddon Circuit.....	780	.....	8
Princeton Circuit.....	550	.....	4
Bluestone and Flat Top Mission.....	279	.....	1
McDowell Circuit.....	190	.....	.....
Levisa Mission.....	275	1	1
	3999	20	29

Abingdon District.

Abingdon Station.....	122	.....	1
Abingdon Circuit.....	730	3	7
Bristol Station.....	274	5	2
Bristol Circuit.....	387	.....	7
Saltville Circuit.....	425	.....	.....
Lebanon Circuit.....	623	.....	4
Dickinsonville Circuit.....	530	4	2
Estillville Circuit.....	674	4	6
Gladeville Circuit.....	450	.....	5
McClure Mission.....	30	.....	1
	4245	16	35

Jonesboro District.

Jonesboro Station.....	125	.....	.....
Jonesboro Circuit.....	331	1	2
Blountsville Circuit.....	666	4	4
Rheatown Circuit.....	280	.....	4
Greenville Circuit.....	205	.....	2
St. Clair Circuit.....	207	.....	2
Newport Circuit.....	158	.....	.....
Fall Branch Circuit.....	161	.....	2
Watauga Circuit.....	451	5	5
	2584	10	21

Morristown District.

Morristown and Mossy Creek.....	305	.....	2
Morristown Circuit.....	354	1	3
Rutledge Circuit.....	366	.....	.....
Rogersville Circuit.....	197	.....	3
Kingsport Circuit.....	363	.....	5
Rye Cove Circuit.....	445	2	4
Jonesville Circuit.....	600	32	7
Powell's Valley Circuit.....	543	50	6
Tazewell Circuit.....	220	.....	3
	3398	85	33

Knoxville District.

Knoxville:			
Church Street Station.....	325	.....	3
Broad Street Station.....	202	.....	.....
City Mission.....	46	.....	2
Maryville and Louisville Circuit.....	368	1	3
Knox and Lenoir Circuit.....	361	.....	2
Clinton Circuit.....	252	.....	3
Maynardsville Circuit.....	382	.....	3
Jacksboro Circuit.....	319	1	2
Dandridge Circuit.....	563	.....	2
Sevierville Circuit.....	175	.....	1
	2993	2	21

Athens District.

	White Mem's.	Col'd Mem's.	Loc'l Pr's.
Athens Station.....	125	.....	1
Athens Circuit.....	419	3	5
Sweetwater Circuit.....	216	.....	.....
Philadelphia and Loudon.....	255	.....	1
Madisonville Circuit.....	328	.....	5
Decatur Circuit.....	388	.....	4
Riceville Circuit.....	342	1	2
Tennessee River Mission.....	94	.....	.....
Tellico Mission.....	241	2	1
	2408	6	19

Recapitulation.

	White Mem's.	Col'd Mem's.	Loc'l Pr's.
Wytheville District.....	5067	15	41
Jeffersonville ".....	3999	20	29
Abingdon ".....	4245	16	35
Jonesboro ".....	2584	10	21
Morristown ".....	3393	85	33
Knoxville ".....	2993	2	21
Athens ".....	2408	6	19
Chattanooga ".....	2264	3	17
Pikeville ".....	2175	3	30
Asheville ".....	3506	6	23
Franklin ".....	2571	5	22
Total this year.....	35,205	171	291
Total last year.....	33,993	168	275
Indians 129—increase 9.....	1,212	3	16

Chattanooga District.

Chattanooga Station.....	289	.....	2
South Chattanooga Mission.....	160	.....	2
Chattanooga Circuit.....	217	.....	3
Cleveland Station.....	165	.....	.....
Cleveland Circuit.....	280	2	.....
Benton Circuit.....	130	.....	1
Charleston and Calhoun Station.....	143	.....	1
Etna Circuit.....	260	.....	4
Trenton Circuit.....	620	1	4
	2264	3	17

Ques. 22. How many infants have been baptized during the year?
1208.

Ques. 23. How many adults have been baptized during the year?
1940.

Ques. 24. What is the number of Sunday-schools?
418.

Ques. 25. What is the number of Sunday-school teachers?
2617.

Ques. 26. What is the number of Sunday-school scholars?
18,123.

Ques. 27. What amount is necessary for the superannuated preachers, and the widows and orphans of preachers?
\$1600.

Ques. 28. What has been collected on the foregoing account, and how has it been applied?

Collected, \$1188 74
Applied as follows.

J. Brillhart,	20 00
Mrs. C. K. Munsey,	175 00
W. B. Winton,	100 00
Mrs. R. M. Stevens,	65 00
Mrs. Mary Fleming,	50 00
Mrs. M. Goodykoontz,	35 00
Miss Betty Wagg,	25 00
Mrs. W. Boring,	60 00
Mrs. W. W. Smith,	60 00
Mrs. C. Mitchell,	60 00
Mrs. Swisher,	100 00
Mrs. W. K. Foster,	35 00
Mrs. E. K. Hutsell,	10 00
Mrs. U. Keener,	40 00
Mrs. O. F. Cunningham,	100 00
L. W. Crouch,	10 00
Bro. Ballew's children,	30 00
T. Sullins,	50 00
Mrs. E. A. Patton,	30 00
Bro. D. B. Carter,	20 00
Mrs. M. McGehee,	60 00
Samuel B. Harwell,	10 00
Joseph Haskew,	25 00

Pikeville District.

Pikeville Circuit.....	224	.....	2
Jasper Circuit.....	395	.....	3
Washington Circuit.....	238	.....	7
Hamilton and Chickamauga Mission	164	.....	2
Sulphur Spring Circuit.....	253	1	4
Kingston Circuit.....	115	2	1
Tracy City Mission.....	200	.....	2
Altamont Mission.....	110	.....	2
Spencer Mission.....	79	.....	.....
Crossville and Bonair Mission.....	265	.....	7
Jamestown and Wartburg Mission...	132	.....	.....
	2175	3	30

Asheville District.

Asheville Station.....	1961	.....	1
Asheville Circuit.....	715	.....	7
Reynolds's Chap. and B. D. Station...	.....	.....	.....
Sulphur Springs Circuit.....	586	.....	4
Brevard Circuit.....	401	.....	2
Hendersonville Circuit.....	361	3	.....
Catawba Circuit.....	418	1	3
Burnesville Circuit.....	356	.....	3
Bakersville Circuit.....	208	.....	.....
Marshall and Pine Creek Circuit.....	265	2	3
	3506	6	23

Franklin District.

Franklin Circuit.....	607	.....	7
Waynesville Circuit.....	657	.....	3
Hayesville Circuit.....	345	.....	3
Mine City Station.....	141	.....	.....
Murphy Circuit.....	282	.....	4
Webster Circuit.....	379	5	1
Charleston Mission.....	.....	.....	.....
Echota (Indian) Mission*.....	.....	.....	3
Cheoa Mission.....	160	.....	1
	2571	5	22
* Indians.....	128	.....	.....

Ques. 29. What has been contributed for missions?

\$3,401 89.

Ques. 30. Where shall the next session of the Conference be held?

At Asheville, N. C.

Ques. 31. Where are the preachers stationed this year?

Rheatown, G. W. Callahan.

Greeneville, H. P. Waugh.

St. Clair, W. R. Barnett.

Newport Circuit, G. W. Simpson.

Fall Branch and Horse Creek Mission, John M. Wolfe.

{ Elizabethton, David Sullins.

{ Taylorsville Mission, to be supplied.

WYTHEVILLE DISTRICT.

G. W. Miles, P. E.

Wytheville, D. W. Carter.

Wytheville Circuit, B. W. S. Bishop, Frank Smith.

Newbern, Wm. H. Price, J. O. Shelley.

Hillsville, L. W. Thompson.

Jacksonville and Floyd, D. R. Rucker.

Grayson, B. F. Nuckolls.

Jefferson Circuit, E. Verdigans, Jos. B. Davis.

Marion, J. W. Dickey.

Watauga, W. L. Turner.

JEFFERSONVILLE DISTRICT.

George Stuart, P. E.

Jeffersonville Station, H. C. Neal.

Liberty Hill, to be supplied (by B. R. Wilburn, P. J. Lockhart).

East Tazewell, J. T. Frazier, S. C. Weatherly.

Pearisburg Circuit, T. F. Smith.

Seddon, J. M. Crismond, W. Hicks, Sup.

Princeton, Ayres Kincaid.

Bluestone and Flat Top Mission, W. M. Crawford.

{ McDowell Mission, to be supplied.

{ Buchanan Circuit, Isaac S. Ross.

Editor of *Religious Herald*, W. Hicks.

ABINGDON DISTRICT.

E. W. Moore, P. E.

Abingdon, J. S. Burnett.

Abingdon Circuit, W. P. Doane.

Emory Circuit, D. H. Atkins.

Bristol, R. H. Parker.

Bristol Circuit, George T. Gray, R. E. Smith, Sup.

{ Saltville, S. Alexander.

{ Burks Garden, W. H. Kelley.

Lebanon, Philip S. Sutton.

Dickinsonville, H. W. Bays.

Estillville, J. H. Torbitt.

Gladeville, James K. Wolf.

McClure Mission, A. Q. Harmon.

Emory and Henry College, E. E. Wiley, President; James A. Davis, Professor.

Sullins College, David Sullins, President.

Abingdon District High-school, George A. Frazier, Principal.

JONESBORO DISTRICT.

G. Taylor, P. E.

Jonesboro, J. Atkins, jr.

Jonesboro Circuit, F. D. Crumley.

Blountville, M. L. Clendennen, Wm. Robeson, Sup.

MORRISTOWN DISTRICT.

J. Boring, P. E.

Morristown and Mossy Creek, J. L. M. French.

Morristown Circuit, D. B. Carter, R. N. Price.

Rutledge Circuit, Isaac H. Hoskins.

Bean Station Circuit, Jacob Smith.

Rogersville, W. J. Phillips.

Kingsport, L. C. Delashmit.

Rye Cove, William H. Barnes.

Jonesville, F. A. Farley, A. E. Woodward, Sup.

Powell's Valley, David R. Smith.

Tazewell, Wm. H. Dawn, J. D. Baldwin, Sup.

Editor of *Holston Methodist*, R. N. Price.

KNOXVILLE DISTRICT.

C. Long, P. E.

Knoxville:

Church Street, W. G. E. Cunyngnam.

Broad Street, George D. French.

Mayberry Street and City Mission, Ed. F. Lyons.

Maryville and Louisville, George W. K. Green, J. C. Runyan.

Knox and Lenoir, J. R. Payne.

Clinton, J. M. Marshall.

Maynardsville, R. A. Hutsell.

Jacksboro, F. Richardson, Charles K. Miller, Sup.

Dandridge, J. S. W. Neel, John H. Kennedy, J. N. S. Huffaker, Sup.

Sevierville Circuit, William H. Cooper.

ATHENS DISTRICT.

J. M. McTeer, P. E.

Athens, W. C. Carden.

Athens Circuit, Daniel H. Carr.

Sweetwater, W. W. Pyott, R. M. Hickey, Sup.

Philadelphia and Loudon, J. H. Keith.

Madisonville, Thomas R. Handy.

Decatur, T. T. Salyer.

Riceville, W. D. Mountcastle.

Eleazer and Tellico Mission, J. T. Smith.

Tennessee River Mission, E. L. Barrett.

Hawassee College, J. H. Brunner, President.

CHATTANOOGA DISTRICT.

James Atkins, sr., P. E.

Chattanooga, W. W. Bays.

South Chattanooga, J. K. P. Ball.

Ooltawah Circuit, B. O. Davis.

Cleveland, A. T. Brooks, Winfield S. Jordan.

Charleston and Calhoun, Kennerly C. Atkins.

Hamilton Circuit and Chickamauga Mission, E. H. Bogle.

Trenton Circuit and Lookout Mission, J. H. Parrott, J. A. Bilderback.
Cleveland Station, L. L. H. Carlock.
Chattanooga District High-school, J. P. Dickey, Principal.

PIKEVILLE DISTRICT.

S. R. Wheeler, P. E.

Pikeville, Return J. Onley, James J. Cash.
Jasper, M. P. Swain, J. R. Hickson.
Washington, Timothy P. Darr, E. W. Marsh, Sup.
Kingston Circuit, L. K. Haynes, John W. Robertson, Sewell Phillips, Sup.
Tracy City, W. W. Neal.
Battle Creek and Elk River Mission, John W. Smith.
Altamont Mission, to be supplied (by W. S. Brown).
Spencer Mission, to be supplied (by J. V. Brown).
Jamestown Circuit, S. T. M. McPherson.
Wartburg Mission, to be supplied (by H. B. Brandon).
Crossville and Bonair Mission, G. W. Renfro.

ASHEVILLE DISTRICT.

A. J. Frazier, P. E.

Asheville, C. T. Carroll.
Asheville Circuit, G. W. Martin, R. W. Pickens, Sup.

Sulphur Springs, James Mahoney, John Reynolds, Sup.
Brevard, T. J. Pope.
Hendersonville Circuit, William D. Mitchell.
Catawba, L. M. Renfro.
Burnsville, J. W. Bird.
Bakersville, W. H. Weaver.
Marshall and Pine Creek Mission, to be supplied (by Ezekiel Hampton).
Asheville Female College, J. S. Kennedy, President.
High-school at Weaverville, Jas. M. McCampbell, Principal; R. W. Pickens, Agent.
Bible Society of Buncombe county, N. C., John H. Robeson, Agent.

FRANKLIN DISTRICT.

Thomas F. Glenn, P. E.

Franklin Circuit, W. M. Kerr, J. W. Bowman.
Waynesville, C. E. Wiggins, Ed. S. Shelley.
Hayesville, J. A. Wiggins.
Ducktown, W. H. Bates.
Murphy, R. A. Giddins.
Webster, C. B. Fugate.
Charleston Mission, Joseph H. Sensabaugh.
Echota Mission, J. R. Long.

F. W. D. Mays transferred to Columbia Conference.

H. J. Morgan transferred to South Carolina Conference.

5.—NORTH CAROLINA CONFERENCE.

HELD AT GOLDSBORO, N. C., *December 10-16, 1873.*

BISHOP KEENER, *President*; B. CRAVEN, *Secretary*.

QUESTION 1. Who are admitted on trial?

ANSWER. L. J. Holden, N. G. Whittington, J. R. Scroggs, N. S. Norton, L. E. Stacy, C. A. Gault, J. M. Lumley, P. F. W. Stamey, M. W. Boyles, William N. Conoly, William H. Watkins, L. W. Pigott, William H. Cuninggim, D. P. Goode. 14.

Ques. 2. Who remain on trial?

J. H. Gwinn, P. Greening, J. Sandford, T. A. Coon, W. C. Norman. 5.

Ques. 3. Who are discontinued?

B. F. Dixon, J. L. Keene, R. T. Leard, J. T. Gibbs. 4.

Ques. 4. Who are admitted into full connection?

James Wilson, J. T. Bagwell, R. F. Bumpass, F. D. Swindell. 4.

Ques. 5. Who are readmitted?

Miles Foy, J. C. Simpson. 2.

Ques. 6. Who are received by transfer from other Conferences?

None.

Ques. 7. Who are the deacons of one year?

A. A. Bosshamer, J. J. Renn, T. P. England, James Mahoney, J. T. Bagwell, E. Howland. 6.

Ques. 8. What traveling preachers are elected deacons?

R. F. Bumpass, James Wilson, F. D. Swindell. 3.

Ques. 9. What traveling preachers are ordained deacons?

R. F. Bumpass, James Wilson, F. D. Swindell. 3.

Ques. 10. What local preachers are elected deacons?

Jordan Payne, William Wine, J. A. B. Kilpatrick, S. H. Whitaker, D. G. Meekins, P. M. Farrow. 6.

Ques. 11. What local preachers are ordained deacons?

William Wine, J. A. B. Kilpatrick, S. H. Whitaker, D. G. Meekins, P. M. Farrow. 5.

Ques. 12. What traveling preachers are elected elders?

J. T. Harriss, F. L. Reid, Wm. D. Lee. 3.

Ques. 13. What traveling preachers are ordained elders?

J. T. Harriss, F. L. Reid, Wm. D. Lee. 3.

Ques. 14. What local preachers are elected elders?

J. M. Jordan, R. Moore, William H. Cuninggim, C. W. Westbrooks, W. S. Hester, R. L. Abernethy. 6.

Ques. 15. What local preachers are ordained elders?

J. M. Jordan, R. Moore, C. W. Westbrooks, William H. Cuninggim, W. S. Hester. 5.

Ques. 16. Who are located this year?

A. K. Murchison, William T. McClellion, C. Plyler. 3.

Ques. 17. Who are supernumerary?

J. C. Thomas, J. D. Buie, W. C. Wilson. 3.

Ques. 18. Who are superannuated?

D. C. Johnson, B. T. Blake, J. W. Floyd, S. B. Dozier, D. May, C. E. Land, G. E. Wyche, W. F. Clegg, W. W. Albea, W. D. Meacham. 10.

Ques. 19. What preachers have died during the past year?

William Holmes, Alfred Norman, William Barringer, Numa Fletcher Reid. 4.

WILLIAM HOLMES was born, in Princess Anne county, Va., June 18, 1798; was licensed to preach, in Suffolk, Nov. 15, 1823, by Benj. Devaney, Presiding Elder of the Norfolk District; joined the Virginia Conference at its session held in Petersburg March, 1824; ordained deacon at Norfolk, 1826, by Bishop McKendree; ordained elder at Raleigh, 1828, by Bishop Soule. In 1824 he was on Suffolk and Surry Circuit; in 1825 on Sussex; 1826 on Yadkin; 1827-8 on Caswell; 1829 on Charlottesville; 1830 on Granville; 1831 on Tar River; 1832 again on Granville, which was his last effective appointment, as he was placed on the superannuated list, and was never afterward effective. He was never very robust, and at the time he received a superannuated relation it was thought he was sinking rapidly with consumption; but he survived for forty years, frequently able to preach, which he did occasionally until a few years previous to his death. He died, in Henderson, June 8, 1873, from injuries received two days previously by being caught between a car and the platform at the depot, whither he had gone to settle a freight-bill for some shingles, just received, to put on our church there. He labored efficiently for many years in the Sunday-school, where his services will be much missed. He was able to give wise instruction, as he was well-read in theology and familiar with the doctrines and history of the Church. For nearly half a century his name has been regularly heard at the

roll-call of our annual sessions. It has now been done for the last time. He leaves a widow and several children.

ALFRED NORMAN was born, in Washington county, N. C., April 22, 1804. In the year 1823, at the age of nineteen, he sought and obtained pardon from God, and united with the M. E. Church. He began at once to labor for the salvation of souls. In that year he was licensed as an exhorter; next he obtained license to exercise his gifts as a local preacher. He joined the Virginia Conference at its session in Raleigh, N. C., in the year 1828. When asked, "Where do you wish to be sent?" he replied, "Send me where there are sinners." His first appointment was as junior on Portsmouth and Ocracoke Circuit. In 1829 he was junior preacher on Black River Circuit. In 1830 he was senior preacher on Trent Circuit. In 1831, while laboring on Banks and Islands, he was attacked with typhoid fever, from which he suffered for fourteen weeks, and narrowly escaped from death. His appointments were as follows: 1832 Stokes, 1833 Randolph, 1834-5 Camden, 1836 Gates (at the separation of the Virginia Conference he remained in the North Carolina division, and was sent in 1837 to Tarboro), 1838 Duplin, 1839 Guilford, 1840 Raleigh Circuit, 1841 Chatham, 1842-3 Franklin, Va. In this year, on Nov. 27, he was married to Miss Mary L. Racker, who shared the toils and triumphs of his subsequent ministry with beautiful devotion; and in July, 1873, only six weeks before his own departure, she peacefully finished her course and ascended to her eternal rest. In 1844 he was sent to Caswell, 1845 Patrick, 1846-7 Davidson, 1848 Tar River, 1849 Stokes, 1850-1 Franklin, Va., 1852-3 Pittsylvania, 1854-5 Granville, 1856-7 Halifax, Va., 1858-9 Wentworth, 1860-1 Leasburg. In the latter part of this year, under the fearful excitements of the war, superadded to his unsparring labors, he was stricken with paralysis of the face, and, at the instance of his friends, reluctantly retired from active work. He then purchased a home and settled in Caswell county, N. C. His health having improved, he resumed his labors in 1867, serving Alamance Circuit in 1867-8. In 1869 he was appointed to High Rock Mission, where he toiled with trembling limbs and a martyr's heart till he was overcome by his last sickness. He fell asleep Aug. 20, 1873, and was buried, with the honors of Masonry, by the side of his sainted wife, in Caswell county. For fifty years he was a watchman on the walls of Zion; for forty years he received the annual appointment of the Bishop. Whether we view his character or his labors, we must exclaim, "Well done, good and faithful servant!" Genuine integrity was the foundation of his character. True humility, sincerity, simplicity, honesty, and moral courage, were signally revealed in his walk and conversation. He was tender and devoted in all the sweet relations and offices of home-life. No one ever doubted his piety. He was eminently spiritual in his religious

experience. He was no slave to the world, with its bribes and temptations; he rose and remained above its vain ambition. He moved through life with the firm yet placid mien that bespoke a quiet conscience and an assurance of the smiles of God. He was a *good man, a devout Christian*. Now, think of the long roll of his appointments, and consider that every appointment marks a twelve-months' campaign in lowland, or midland, or mountain—with weary marches through sunshine and storm, in health and sickness, with frequent conflicts with the passions and prejudices of the world and the principalities of hell. He was sure, when possible, to be at his post. He was cheerfully fond of his arduous duty, and unobtrusively obedient to the authorities of the Church. He received his appointments as a good soldier receives his orders. He was peculiarly earnest in his manner in the pulpit; he was full of exultant zeal when amid the scenes of revivals. He was a missionary in spirit—"Send me where there are sinners" was the motto of his entire ministry; he felt it his duty, to the last, to carry the gospel to the people, and not wait for them to seek it. He never wavered, through all his difficulties, trials, and privations. His preaching was owned of God; his sermons were plain, pointed, practical, clear, and convincing, glowing with evangelical fervor, and sometimes full of overwhelming power. His intellect was of a superior order. He was one of the most successful revivalists of his day; he measured the path of his circuits with a chain of apostolic triumphs, whose golden links were glorious revivals; he counted his spiritual children by thousands. He was specially instrumental in the conversion of several of our ministers—I. F. Keerans, L. S. Burkhead, N. H. D. Wilson, and Numa F. Reid. Who can calculate the value of such a life? How vast its influence for good on earth and glory in the eternal world! His death was not sudden; for weeks he watched its slow approach. To the last his intellect was unclouded. While suffering intense pain, he exclaimed, "If it is the will of the Lord that I should suffer, I would not, if I could, have my sufferings lessened." Even in his last hours he arranged his temporal affairs with most impressive calmness and precision. With him faith was clear, unwavering, triumphant; it rose with the dread demands of the momentous ordeal. At one time he raised his arms and cried, "Will that gospel that I have so often preached to others sustain me in this trying hour? Yes, it will—it *does sustain me*." Looking in the weeping face of his son, he said, "Tell my brethren of the North Carolina Conference that I died prepared, and tell my brethren everywhere that I died, as I lived, in the faith of the gospel of Christ." Again, he said, "It may be that before I expire I shall be unable to speak; but I tell you now, that you may know then, while you look at me speechless bear in mind that all is well." How such words, in such an hour, ring with the melody of heaven! What grand testimony to the truth and glory of our religion!

Yes, it is all well with the faithful old veteran of the cross—all well forever!

WILLIAM BARRINGER, son of Gen. Paul Barringer, was born, in Cabarras county, N. C., Feb. 18, 1816. After taking the usual academic course, he pursued his studies at Chapel Hill. He then entered the mercantile business at Concord. About the year 1842 he attended a camp-meeting near Concord, and was deeply convicted; a few days afterward, while sitting in the counting-room engaged in meditation and prayer, he was most powerfully converted. He soon felt that it was his duty to preach; he yielded to the call, and prepared for his life-long work. He lived within the bounds of the South Carolina Conference, which he joined Dec., 1844, at Columbia, S. C. He was appointed to Wadesboro Circuit, under the Rev. Samuel Leard. He served the following appointments—viz.: 1845 Charlotte Station, 1846 Charlotte Circuit (under the Rev. C. H. Pritchard), 1847 Cheraw Station, 1848-9 Presiding Elder on the Fayetteville District, 1850 transferred to the North Carolina Conference, and Presiding Elder on the Wilmington District, 1851-4 Presiding Elder on the Greensboro District, 1855-6 Presiding Elder on the Salisbury District, 1857-8 Agent Greensboro Female College, 1859 Yanceyville Circuit, 1860-2 Presiding Elder on the Raleigh District, 1863-4 Presiding Elder on the Trinity College District, 1865-8 Greensboro Station, 1869-72 Presiding Elder on the Hillsboro District. After his return from Conference at Fayetteville he entered upon his work with great zeal and hope, and completed the first round of quarterly-meetings. He had been confined to his house for about a week with influenza, which somewhat enfeebled him. On March 11 he was superintending the work on Greensboro Female College; when passing out of the window of the third story to the gangway, his foot slipped, and he fell about twenty-eight feet. His right thigh was broken, and his right arm and face were considerably bruised. The fall produced concussion of the brain, which caused his death. He was conscious for several hours on the day of his fall, and about one hour on the 16th. He did not, apparently, suffer much, except occasional paroxysms of pain. During his lucid moments he gave satisfactory evidence that he was ready to depart and be with Jesus, which he did at 10 minutes past 7 o'clock P. M. Monday, March 17. His funeral-sermon was preached on the 18th, and he was buried by the side of his dear wife, who had preceded him about seven years. He leaves five sons and one daughter, and a large circle of relatives and friends, to weep over his death. He has left them a rich legacy in the pure and faithful life which he lived. Experimental religion was his great theme, and he exhibited it as the controlling power in all relations of life. In every field of labor he was very diligent, acceptable, and successful. He thoroughly comprehended and devotedly loved the doctrines held and usages practiced

by the Church of his choice; and his Church loved and honored him. He was elected to every General Conference since 1852, either as a delegate or reserve. He was prominently connected with all the interests of the Conference, and was ever faithful to the interests committed to him. He was wise in counsel and solid in his piety, transparent in his principle of action; hence, he won the respect and confidence of the multitudes with whom he mingled. A good and great man has gone. Let us follow him as he followed Christ.

NUMA FLETCHER REID was born, in Rockingham county, N. C., July 3, 1825. His parents were the Rev. James Reid (of sainted memory in the North Carolina Conference) and Martha Reid, daughter of the Rev. George R. Edwards. N. F. Reid was the second of nine children, and survived all of them but one. When a boy he was remarkable for unyielding integrity, genial affection, and attachment to home, and especially to his mother; nor did these amiable qualities cease with childhood, but became stronger and still more beautiful as they adorned graceful, gifted, useful manhood. In early life his educational advantages were confined to the small public and private schools common in that section of the country. At the age of thirteen he entered Emory and Henry College, where he remained three years. He left the institution without graduating, though he had accomplished most of the academic course of study. He was a hard student at College, and so continued to the end of his life. He was eminently a scholar in mental discipline, mental development, knowledge of the scholar's resources and their use, clear conception of systems of thought, and an unusual comprehension of men, opinions, and tendencies. He saw quickly and clearly, discriminated wisely, argued with directness and force, and rarely, on any occasion, was wanting in information, arrangement of ideas, or facility of expression. Mentally, he was greater than the work he did; and his works are worthy of any man or of any Church. Physically, he was delicate from childhood; was often prevented from protracted study or great efforts, and never experimentally knew or enjoyed the immense advantages of vigorous, mind-sustaining health. His body was never at all equal to his soul's wants and needs, and many a sermon did he preach, and many a duty perform on the Conference-floor, when nothing but indomitable energy kept him from confinement to his bed. He once said that experience had proved to him that prayer was as beneficial to his body as to his soul, for that without prayer his body would not have lasted till his thirtieth year. At the age of seventeen he commenced a school at Thompsonville, in Rockingham county, the Rev. James H. Brent being at that time one of his pupils. Afterward he taught at Salem Church, near Reidsville, and in 1846, in connection with Mr. F. L. Harriss, he opened an academy at Wentworth. Mr. Harriss withdrew at the end of the first year, but the school

was continued five years by Dr. Reid with great success. During this period he had some inclination to study law, and was strongly urged thereto by gentlemen of the bar, residing in that county, who knew him well, and predicted that he would attain great distinction in that profession. While teaching at Wentworth he received the degree of Master of Arts from Randolph Macon College; and in 1866 the University of North Carolina unanimously bestowed upon him the degree of Doctor of Divinity. These and other honors he appreciated becomingly, sustained nobly, and wielded all for the glory of God. In 1847 he was licensed to preach, and traveled the Wentworth Circuit two years as a *supply*. In 1851 he joined the North Carolina Conference, at Salisbury; was ordained deacon the same year, and elder in 1853. The labors of his ministry were as follows: 1852-3 Tar River Circuit, 1854 Front Street, Wilmington, 1855-6 Raleigh Station, 1857 Greensboro Station, 1858-9 Presiding Elder of Salisbury District, 1860-3 Presiding Elder of Greensboro District, 1864-7 Presiding Elder of Raleigh District, 1868-71 Presiding Elder of Greensboro District; 1872 he was appointed Presiding Elder of Raleigh District, but, his health becoming greatly impaired, with the consent of the Bishop he exchanged work with the Rev. William H. Bobbitt, on the Greensboro District, and continued on that District till his death. He was four times elected to General Conference, and three times headed the list of delegates. In 1846 he was married to Ann Eliza Wright, eldest daughter of James Wright, Esq., of Wentworth. Eight children were born to him; seven are still living. His wife died April 15, 1869. He was married a second time Sept. 3, 1872, to Sallie L. Wright, sister of his first wife. In all the relations of life he was a model man, and everywhere, by his actions, fully and forcibly commended the gospel which he preached. As a preacher he preached the gospel with learning for the understanding, with logic to convince, and with a divine unction to move the heart; as a presiding officer he was courteous, though decided, looking carefully after all the interests of the Church, and was eminently successful in always having them in good condition; as a member of Conference he was genial, diligent in business, and fair to all; in social life he was lively and pleasant, somewhat fond of well-polished repartee, but was never known to use or countenance rough jesting or coarse allusions. He was in an especial manner interested in our educational enterprises, and was connected with every movement made for their establishment and advancement. He was a trustee both of Trinity College and of Greensboro Female College; he attended all meetings, and was a chief man in devising and maturing all plans. To Dr. Reid more than to any other man is Greensboro Female College indebted for its existence. In all respects all our colleges owe much to Dr. Reid; he loved them, and labored for their good. Our *Advocates*, through all their varied fortunes,

he sustained by speeches before the Conference and the public, by contributing to their columns, and by financial help from his own resources. He firmly believed in sustaining all Conference enterprises, his motto being that we live for the Church and our families, the two being identified in all their interests. He was an honored member of the Masonic Fraternity, had much influence among Masons, and was greatly respected by them. One of the finest productions of his life was his address at the centennial anniversary of the Grand Lodge of North Carolina. Such were some of the virtues of our deceased brother. Not many such men, so gifted and so useful to the Church and the public, are given to any one age of history. At the Charlotte Conference, 1871, he contracted a cold, from which he never finally recovered. At the close of the last Conference his health was greatly injured by fresh cold. He attended his appointments till February, and struggled hard to continue on, but could not. He then proposed to the brethren to resign his District, but they dissuaded him from that step. In March he told the writer of this that his work was done. He said, "I should like to preach a few more times; I would call for penitents every time I preached; I could tell the people better about eternal things. I am waiting by the river, and feel and know the reality of what I have loved and preached. If I never go to Conference again, tell the brethren I loved them better and still better at the last, and bid them good-bye till we meet in heaven." He continued still able to walk about the house till June 4, when he was confined to his bed, and lingered there till 8 o'clock Friday morning, June 6, when he died peacefully and triumphantly. For the last two days he rejoiced almost continually; his mind was clear and his faith strong. He told his attendants not to give him stimulants—he wanted to face death with an unclouded mind, and a Christian's faith. His last words were, "Frank, I shall see your mother and my mother." His funeral-sermon was preached at Wentworth, on the next Sabbath, before such a multitude as has not often assembled in any State. All the people loved Dr. Reid. His fame and good works are in all the Churches, and his memory is a rich legacy to the whole country.

Ques. 20. Are all the preachers blameless in their life and official administration?

Their names were called over, one by one, and their characters examined and passed.

Ques. 21. What is the number of local preachers and members in the several circuits, stations, and missions of the Conference?

Raleigh District.

	White Mem's.	Col'd Mem's.	Loc'l Pr's.
Raleigh:			
Edenton Street.....	434	.....	4
Person Street.....	70	.....	.....
Cary.....	450	.....	3
Rolesville.....	390	.....	2

Raleigh District (continued).

	White Mem's.	Col'd Mem's.	Loc'l Pr's.
Smithfield.....	405	2	1
Tar River.....	725	4	4
Louisburg.....	119	.....	.....
Granville.....	887	10	4
Rock Spring Mission.....	27	.....	.....
Henderson.....	465	.....	.....
Nash.....	622	7	1
Wilson Mission.....	90	.....	1
	4684	23	20

Hillsboro District.

	White Mem's.	Col'd Mem's.	Loc'l Pr's.
Hillsboro.....	300	3	2
Alamance.....	396	1	1
Chapel Hill and Haw River.....	452	11	8
Pittsboro.....	506	2	.....
Yanceyville.....	497	.....	.....
Deep River.....	501	3	6
Leasburg.....	474	.....	2
Person.....	563	38	1
Durham.....	573	26	1
High Rock Mission.....	158	9	.....
Flat River Mission.....	.....	.....	.....
	4420	93	21

Greensboro District.

	White Mem's.	Col'd Mem's.	Loc'l Pr's.
Greensboro.....	260	.....	1
Guilford.....	823	.....	2
Trinity College.....	212	.....	2
Thomasville and High Point.....	381	.....	.....
Davidson.....	611	.....	1
Asheboro.....	629	1	2
Carraway.....	108	.....	.....
Forsythe.....	832	14	7
Winston.....	180	15	1
Stokes.....	350	8	2
Madison.....	354	32	3
Wentworth.....	618	15	1
	5358	85	22

Salisbury District.

	White Mem's.	Col'd Mem's.	Loc'l Pr's.
Salisbury.....	145	.....	.....
Salisbury Circuit.....	315	.....	.....
Mt. Zion.....	530	4	3
Statesville.....	104	.....	1
Statesville Circuit.....	300	5	1
Mocksville.....	870	.....	2
Iredell.....	436	.....	1
Alexander.....	590	.....	.....
Wilkes.....	322	.....	1
Mountain Mission.....	.....	.....	.....
Jonesville.....	711	.....	5
Mt. Airy.....	241	.....	1
Surry.....	234	2	6
Sauratown Mission.....	66	.....	4
	4864	11	25

Shelby District.

	White Mem's.	Col'd Mem's.	Loc'l Pr's.
Shelby.....	121	2	1
Shelby Circuit.....	965	.....	6
Double Shoals.....	460	.....	2
South Mountain Mission.....	245	.....	2
Cherry Mount.....	245	.....	1
Rutherfordton.....	600	.....	1
Columbus Mission.....	143	.....	2
Marion.....	340	.....	2
Upper Broad River Mission.....	119	3	3
Morganton.....	872	.....	4
Lenoir.....	912	6	6
Happy Home.....	379	1	8
Newton.....	627	.....	.....
Rock Spring.....	815	3	2
South Fork.....	651	.....	4
Dallas.....	259	.....	.....
Lincolnton.....	388	3	.....
	8141	18	44

Charlotte District.

	White Mem's.	Col'd Mem's.	Loc'l Pr's.
Charlotte:			
Tryon Street	360	.....	2
Calvary Mission.....	43	.....	1
South Charlotte.....	480	.....	1
Pineville.....	184	.....	2
Pleasant Grove.....	400	.....	.....
Monroe.....	121	2	1
Monroe Circuit.....	409	.....	3
Concord.....	194	.....	.....
Mount Pleasant.....	508	.....	.....
Albemarle.....	484	4	2
Stanley.....	220	.....	.....
Ansonville.....	417	5	3
Wadesboro.....	180	.....	.....
Wadesboro Circuit.....	600	.....	.....
	4600	11	15

Recapitulation.

	White Mem's.	Col'd Mem's.	Loc'l Pr's.
Raleigh District.....	4684	23	20
Hillsboro ".....	4420	93	21
Greensboro ".....	5358	85	22
Salisbury ".....	4864	11	25
Shelby ".....	8141	18	44
Charlotte ".....	4600	11	15
Fayetteville ".....	5383	204	23
Wilmington ".....	4036	14	15
Newbern ".....	3622	3	23
Washington ".....	3804	3	17
Total this year.....	48,912	465	225
Total last year.....	48,192	562	202
Increase.....	720		23
Decrease.....		97	

Fayetteville District.

	White Mem's.	Col'd Mem's.	Loc'l Pr's.
Fayetteville.....	254	.....	1
Cumberland.....	257	9	2
Robeson.....	763	167	5
Laurinburg.....	388	14	1
Rockingham.....	277	.....	6
Pedee.....	602	2	1
Uwharrie.....	690	2	1
Montgomery.....	635	.....	.....
Carthage.....	489	10	.....
Jonesboro.....	432	.....	1
Buckhorn.....	596	.....	5
	5383	204	23

Wilmington District.

	White Mem's.	Col'd Mem's.	Loc'l Pr's.
Wilmington:			
Front Street.....	330	10	.....
Fifth Street.....	.....	.....	.....
Topsail.....	334	.....	3
Kenansville.....	195	1	.....
Magnolia.....	305	.....	.....
Clinton.....	469	.....	2
Cokesbury.....	549	.....	2
Bladen.....	409	.....	1
Elizabeth.....	313	.....	3
Whiteville.....	472	3	1
Smithville.....	318	.....	2
Onslow.....	342	.....	1
Sneed's Ferry.....	.....	.....	.....
	4036	14	15

Newbern District.

	White Mem's.	Col'd Mem's.	Loc'l Pr's.
Goldsboro.....	206	.....	1
Wilson.....	200	.....	1
Wayne.....	405	.....	4
Everettsville.....	364	.....	2
Kinston.....	85	.....	2
Snow Hill.....	450	.....	3
Neuse.....	315	1	3
Swift Creek Mission.....	.....	.....	1
Jones.....	99	2	1
Lenoir.....	317	.....	1
Newbern.....	253	.....	2
Newbern Circuit.....	177	.....	.....
Beaufort.....	217	.....	1
Trent.....	310	.....	1
Straits.....	224	.....	.....
	3622	3	23

Washington District.

	White Mem's.	Col'd Mem's.	Loc'l Pr's.
Washington and Greenville.....	210	.....	3
Warrenton.....	.....	.....	.....
Warren.....	505	1	.....
Roanoke.....	771	.....	5
Tarboro.....	119	.....	.....
Williamston.....	429	.....	.....
Plymouth.....	158	1	.....
Columbia.....	240	.....	1
Bath.....	219	.....	.....
Mattamuskeet.....	623	.....	2
Portsmouth, Ocracoke, Cape Hatteras	530	1	6
	3804	3	17

Ques. 22. How many infants have been baptized during the year?

1755.

Ques. 23. How many adults have been baptized during the year?

2011.

Ques. 24. What is the number of Sunday-schools?

565.

Ques. 25. What is the number of Sunday-school teachers?

3718.

Ques. 26. What is the number of Sunday-school scholars?

25,717.

Ques. 27. What amount is necessary for the superannuated preachers, and the widows and orphans of preachers?

\$5,000.

Ques. 28. What has been collected on the foregoing account, and how has it been applied?

Collected,	\$4,006 10
Applied as follows:	
Mrs. Holmes,	70 00
Mrs. Speck,	65 00
Rev. J. W. Floyd,	161 00
Mrs. Langdon,	64 05
Mrs. J. C. Smith,	64 00
Mrs. Miller,	79 05
Mrs. J. H. Robbins,	177 85
Mrs. N. F. Reid and child,	100 00
Rev. N. F. Reid's children,	104 90
Rev. C. E. Land,	353 05
Rev. D. May,	175 00
Rev. G. E. Wyche,	64 05
Rev. C. W. King,	149 55
Mrs. McIntosh,	125 35
Mrs. P. Doub,	77 40
Rev. A. Norman's children,	40 75
Rev. D. C. Johnson,	205 55
Mrs. Parsons,	50 00
Rev. W. Barringer's children,	50 00
Rev. M. C. Thomas,	275 00
Mrs. D. W. Doub,	198 25
Mrs. Anderson,	64 05
Miss Maud Brent,	60 00
Mrs. S. D. Bumpass,	64 00
Mrs. Freeman,	54 00
Rev. H. Gray,	171 60

Brought forward,	\$3,063 45	{ Trinity, J. W. Lewis.
Mrs. Gattis,	89 05	{ Carraway, I. F. Keerans.
Mrs. Garrard,	54 00	{ Forsythe, Z. Rush.
Mrs. Gunn,	64 00	{ Winston, J. F. Heitman.
Rev. S. B. Dozier,	143 25	Stokes, J. R. Scroggs.
Mrs. McDaniel,	84 00	Madison, L. E. Stacy.
Mrs. McPherson,	54 00	Wentworth, W. C. Norman.
Mrs. Nicholson,	93 25	Trinity College, B. Craven, President; B. B.
Mrs. Purvis,	54 00	Culbreth, Agent.
Mrs. Rich,	64 00	Greensboro Female College, L. L. Hendren,
Mrs. St. Clair,	64 05	Agent.
Mrs. W. A. Smith,	90 00	
Mrs. Tinnin,	89 05	
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	\$4,006 10	

Ques. 29. What has been contributed for missions?

\$4,522 60.

Ques. 30. Where shall the next session of the Conference be held?

At Raleigh, N. C.

Ques. 31. Where are the preachers stationed this year?

RALEIGH DISTRICT.

W. H. Bobbitt, P. E.

Raleigh:

Edenton Street, A. W. Mangum.

Person Street, H. P. Cole.

Cary Circuit, T. B. Reeks.

Rolesville Circuit, J. E. Thompson.

Smithfield Circuit, J. F. Smoot.

Tar River Circuit, H. H. Gibbons.

Louisburg Station, F. L. Reid.

Granville Circuit, J. R. Griffith.

Rock Spring Circuit, M. J. Hunt.

Henderson Circuit, A. A. Boshamer.

Nash and Rocky Mount, L. J. Holden.

Wilson Mission, T. C. Moses.

Editor of *Raleigh Christian Advocate*, J. B. Bobbitt.

HILLSBORO DISTRICT.

J. P. Moore, P. E.

Hillsboro, J. T. Harris.

Alamance Circuit, R. S. Webb.

Chapel Hill and Haw River, J. B. Martin.

Pittsboro, W. H. Moore.

Yanceyville, J. Tillett.

Deep River, H. F. Wiley.

Leasburg, J. W. Jenkins.

Person, W. M. Jordan.

Durham, J. J. Renn.

High Rock, C. W. King.

GREENSBORO DISTRICT.

N. H. D. Wilson, P. E.

Greensboro, J. A. Cuninggim, J. C. Thomas, Sup.

North Guilford, S. H. Helsabeck.

South Guilford, R. G. Barrett.

Thomasville and High Point, C. M. Pepper.

Davidson Circuit, C. H. Phillips.

SALISBURY DISTRICT.

M. L. Wood, P. E.

Salisbury, L. W. Crawford.

Salisbury Circuit, T. L. Triplett.

Mocksville Circuit, L. Shell, W. C. Wilson, Sup.

Mount Zion Circuit, T. A. Coon.

Statesville, J. W. Wheeler.

Statesville Circuit, J. N. Somers.

Iredell Circuit, T. P. Ricaud.

Alexander Circuit, N. G. Whittington.

{ Wilkes Circuit, W. M. D. Moore.

{ Mountain Mission, to be supplied (by J. W. Rash).

Yadkinville Circuit, R. T. N. Stephenson, J. D. Buie, Sup.

Mount Airy, S. M. Davis.

{ Surry Circuit, N. S. Norton.

{ Sauratown Mission, A. M. Long.

SHELBY DISTRICT.

L. S. Burkhead, P. E.

Shelby, H. T. Hudson.

Shelby Circuit, J. W. North.

{ Double Shoals, R. P. Bibb.

{ South Mountain Mission, D. P. Goode.

Cherry Mount, J. C. Smith.

Rutherfordton, S. Leard.

Columbus Mission, E. Howland.

{ Marion, J. C. Crisp.

{ Upper Broad River Mission, J. M. Lumley.

Morganton, J. S. Ervin.

Lenoir, G. W. Ivy.

Happy Home, J. C. Hartsell.

Newton, P. L. Herman.

Rock Spring, J. W. Puett.

South Fork, T. H. Edwards.

Dallas, P. F. W. Stamey.

Lincolnton, V. A. Sharpe.

Davenport Female College, W. M. Robey, President; T. J. Gattis, Agent.

CHARLOTTE DISTRICT.

Jesse S. Nelson, P. E.

Charlotte:

Tryon Street, P. J. Carraway.

Calvary Mission, to be supplied.

South Charlotte, P. Greening.

Pineville, W. D. Lee.

Pleasant Grove, T. P. England.

Monroe, M. V. Sherrill.

Monroe Circuit, M. S. Boyles.

Concord, D. R. Bruton.

Mount Pleasant, J. P. Simpson, one to be supplied (by W. S. Roan).
 { Albemarle, R. M. Brown.
 { Stanley, W. H. Watkins.
 Ansonville, A. D. Betts.
 Wadesboro, O. J. Brent.
 Wadesboro Circuit, J. H. Gwinn.
 Lilesville Circuit, J. Sandford.

FAYETTEVILLE DISTRICT.

S. D. Adams, P. E.

Fayetteville, E. W. Thompson.
 Cumberland, W. S. Chaffin.
 Robeson, Ira T. Wyche.
 Laurinburg, T. W. Guthrie.
 Rockingham, J. Wheeler.
 Pedee, T. A. Boon.
 Uwharrie, G. Farrar.
 Montgomery, to be supplied (by M. Johnson).
 Carthage, L. H. Gibbons.
 Jonesboro, B. C. Phillips.
 Buckhorn, J. B. Bailey.

WILMINGTON DISTRICT.

W. S. Black, P. E.

Wilmington:
 Front Street, R. S. Moran.
 Fifth Street, W. N. Conolly.
 Topsail, John Jones.
 Kenansville, C. M. Anderson.
 Magnolia, James Wilson.
 Clinton, J. B. Alford.
 Cokesbury, J. Mahoney.
 Bladen, Miles Foy.
 Elizabeth, J. T. Bagwell.
 Whiteville, M. H. Hoyle.
 Smithville, I. W. Avent.

Onslow, W. R. Ferguson.
 Cape Fear Mission, J. W. Abernethy.
 Church of the Strangers, N. Y., C. F. Deems.

NEWBERN DISTRICT.

E. A. Yates, P. E.

Goldsboro, J. E. Mann.
 Wilson, F. H. Wood.
 Wayne, R. A. Willis.
 Mount Olive, J. N. Andrews.
 Kinston, J. R. Brooks.
 Snow Hill, M. C. Thomas.
 { Neuse, L. W. Pigott.
 { Swift Creek Mission, to be supplied.
 Contentnea Mission, to be supplied.
 Jones, W. H. Cuninggim.
 Lenoir, to be supplied (by A. J. Finlayson).
 Newbern, W. C. Gannon.
 Newbern Circuit, D. Culbreth.
 Beaufort, J. H. Wheeler.
 Trent, N. A. Hooker.
 Straits, A. M. Gault.

WASHINGTON DISTRICT.

William Closs, P. E.

Washington and Greenville, A. R. Raven.
 Warrenton, R. F. Bumpass.
 Warren, S. V. Hoyle.
 Roanoke, R. O. Bruton.
 Tarboro, C. C. Dodson.
 Williamston, W. H. Call.
 Plymouth and Jamesville, F. D. Swindell.
 Columbia Circuit, to be supplied.
 Bath, to be supplied (by L. L. Nash).
 Mattamuskeet, S. D. Peeler, I. H. Hill, Sup.
 Portsmouth and Ocracoke, to be supplied.
 Cape Hatteras, W. B. Maness.

6.—SOUTH CAROLINA CONFERENCE.

HELD AT SUMTER, S. C., December 10-16, 1873.

BISHOP MCTYEIRE, *President*; WM. C. POWER, *Secretary*.

QUESTION 1. Who are admitted on trial?

ANSWER. Wm. S. F. Wightman, M. Hutchinson Pooser, W. J. Whitman, Claudius H. Pritchard, jr., Edgar L. Archer, Hilliard F. Chrietzberg, William H. Kirton, Cornelius D. Rowell, Le Roy F. Beaty, John O. Willson, James C. Bissell, John E. Carlisle, John Q. Stockman, George W. Walker. 14.

Ques. 2. Who remain on trial?

Henry B. Green, William A. Rogers, Coke D. Mann, J. Walter Dickson, Malcolm V. Wood, George H. Pooser, Robert W. Barber, James C. Davis, A. Coke Smith, Archibald R. Danner. 10.

Ques. 3. Who are discontinued?

Olin L. Durant, at his own request. 1.

Ques. 4. Who are admitted into full connection?

Daniel D. Dantzler, Dove Tiller, Thomas W. Smith, John K. McCain, Hugh W. Whitaker, Chas. C. Fishburne, John B. Willson. 7.

Ques. 5. Who are readmitted?

Edward L. King. 1.

Ques. 6. Who are received by transfer from other Conferences?

U. Sinclair Bird, Henry J. Morgan. 2.

Ques. 7. Who are the deacons of one year?
George M. Boyd, E. Toland Hodges, Robert N. Wells, George W. Gatlin. 4.

Ques. 8. What traveling preachers are elected deacons?

Daniel D. Dantzler, Dove Tiller, Thomas W. Smith, John K. McCain, Hugh W. Whitaker, Olin L. Durant. 6.

Ques. 9. What traveling preachers are ordained deacons?

Daniel D. Dantzler, Dove Tiller, Thomas W. Smith, John K. McCain, Hugh W. Whitaker, Olin L. Durant. 6.

Ques. 10. What local preachers are elected deacons?

M. Hutchinson Pooser, Stephen Bird. 2.

Ques. 11. What local preachers are ordained deacons?

M. Hutchinson Pooser, Stephen Bird. 2.

Ques. 12. What traveling preachers are elected elders?

W. Davis Kirkland, Richard D. Smart, J. Sidney Beasley, Jesse A. Clifton, George T. Hannon, Joseph F. England. 6.

Ques. 13. What traveling preachers are ordained elders?

W. Davis Kirkland, Richard D. Smart, J. Sidney Beasley, Jesse A. Clifton, George T. Hannon, Joseph F. England. 6.

Ques. 14. What local preachers are elected elders?

Alfred B. Brown, Jesse P. Smith. 2.

Ques. 15. What local preachers are ordained elders?

Alfred B. Brown, Jesse P. Smith. 2.

Ques. 16. Who are located this year?

G. W. M. Creighton, Thomas W. Smith, Jacob S. Connor. 3.

Ques. 17. Who are supernumerary?

R. Benson Tarrant, Minton A. Connolly, R. Randolph Pegues, William H. Lawton, Francis M. Morgan, Whitefoord Smith, John A. Wood, William A. Hodges, Christian V. Barnes, Wm. Martin, J. H. C. McKinney. 11.

Ques. 18. Who are superannuated?

Joel W. Townsend, William C. Patterson, David Derrick, Edward J. Pennington, John Watts, Allen McCorquodale, Lewis Scarboro, A. P. Avant, D. D. Byars, Simpson Jones. 10.

Ques. 19. What preachers have died during the past year?

Nicholas Talley, Charles Wilson, J. Lee Dickson (on trial). 3.

NICHOLAS TALLEY was born, near Richmond, Va., May 2, 1791, and was converted to God at Burke's Camp-ground, Green county, Ga., Aug. 5, 1810. The immediate occasion of his conversion was a powerful exhortation by the Rev. Hope Hull. He entered the traveling connection in 1812, and was sent in charge of the Little Pedee Circuit, then more than one hundred miles in extent, and containing twenty-eight appointments and seven hundred members. Brother Talley belonged to what

may be called the heroic age of Methodism—an age that seemed to inspire courage, self-abnegation, and sacrifice. He had practically "learned to suffer and be strong" under persecutions and trials of which we of more recent times are experimentally ignorant. He was the compeer of those saintly men, Pierce, Andrew, Capers, and Kennedy. Of the sixty-two years of his ministry he was twenty-two on Districts, twelve on stations, nine on circuits, fourteen on missions; and for the last five years of his life he sustained to the Conference the superannuated relation. His brethren delighted to honor him. They elected him for many successive sessions as a delegate to the General Conference. Trained for business, and with many of those adaptations for it which would have insured him success in the accumulation of wealth, many tempting proposals were made to him to induce him to locate, at a time, too, when location was the rule rather than the exception; but, firm as a flint, his face was turned from all that might jeopard his usefulness as an itinerant preacher; and the journeyings, hardships, and inconveniences of the itinerancy were all as nothing, so that he might preach Jesus and the resurrection. In his manners he was ever calm, self-possessed, dignified, and refined. The character of his preaching was what might be called hortatory, and yet at times it was powerful in its denunciation—the powers of darkness seeming to give way before his strong, energetic assaults. For many years he kept a diary. His last entry was made May 2, 1873, as follows: "My birthday! Eighty-two years I have lived on the bounty and goodness of God. I feel grateful and happy to believe he doeth all things well." Early in the morning of May 10 he was put in possession of his heavenly inheritance. He fell, where he most desired to fall, "at his post," ceasing at once to work and to live: for while his funeral-service was being performed on one Sabbath, on the previous Sabbath, at the same hour, he was officiating in the pulpit and at the altar—having preached with unusual power and vigor, from John xiv. 1-4; then, consecrating the elements with his wonted pathos and solemnity, he administered the emblems of the broken body and shed blood of his crucified, but risen, Lord. Fit close of his labors for his blessed Master. His death was in keeping with the serenity of his life—his last words being, "Calm, calm."

Calm on the bosom of his God,
He gently passed away.

His burial-service was deeply impressive, a number of ministers of his own Church and of other Churches participating in the solemnity. The text on the occasion was 2 Tim. i. 12—selected by himself a short time previous to his death, when, while musing on it, he felt that he had received a fresh baptism of the Holy Ghost. Interred by the freshly-made grave of his sainted wife—so long united to him in life, and in death divided from him for so short a time—he waits the resurrection of the just.

CHARLES WILSON was born, in Barnwell District, S. C., Nov. 21, 1802, and died, in Orangeburg county, S. C., April 14, 1873. His conversion was very marked, as well as very clear and thorough. Not long after this event he was licensed to preach, and admitted on trial into the South Carolina Conference about Feb., 1831. He passed regularly into the office of deacon, into full connection in the Conference, and into the order of elder. He labored faithfully, usefully, and well for forty-three years, and, in Eastern Orange Circuit, ended his course in peaceful triumph and blissful hope of a lot in the heavenly inheritance. Our departed brother, constrained by the love of Christ, served his generation for fourteen years on circuits and twenty-eight on missions to people of color. His preaching was simple, sensible, and instructive. His spirit was pure, artless, loving, and invincibly faithful to the principles of a Christian life. His name is as ointment poured forth. Many are the souls, of both whites and blacks, that will appear, doubtless, as stars in his crown of rejoicing.

JOHN LEE DICKSON was born in Kershaw county, S. C., and died, while pastor of the Pacolet Circuit, in January, 1873. It was Brother Dickson's misfortune that he was not converted in early life; yet his conversion was clear, alike in his own inward consciousness of the change and in the necessary outward effect upon the opinions of others. Men saw the spirit of evil and of Christ manifested in the same life, in different stages of its development, and glorified God as the only cause and means of a change so salutary. Soon after his conversion Brother Dickson was called to the ministry, and after serving the Church as a preacher on trial in the Conference for nearly two years, he retired to the local ranks. He engaged in mercantile pursuits, to which he devoted the powers of his mind and body. The result was that, while his temporal interests were not improved, his ministerial usefulness was in some measure hindered. In the early part of the year 1872 a vacancy occurring in the Pacolet Circuit, Brother Dickson was induced to accept it, and thus entered a second time upon the itinerant ministry, in which he continued until he died. We bless God that he was permitted to reënter the regular work, though to do but little else than to die in it. While in the local ranks he preached often, and in his pastoral relation to the Conference he magnified at once his Master and his mission. He was, from the first to the last of his ministry, earnest, faithful, useful.

Ques. 20. Are all the preachers blameless in their life and official administration?

Their names were called over, one by one, and their characters examined and passed, except Alexander B. Stevens, who was expelled, and A. Gamewell Gantt, suspended for one year.

Ques. 21. What is the number of local preachers and members in the several circuits, stations, and missions of the Conference?

Charleston District.

	White Mem's.	Col'd Mem's.	Loc'l Pr's.
Charleston:			
Trinity and Cumberland.....	309	.....	1
Bethel.....	270	.....	1
Spring Street.....	281	.....	.....
Berkeley Circuit.....	479	107	2
Cooper River Mission.....	149	41	2
Cypress Circuit.....	319	1	2
St. Paul's Mission.....	122	.....	.....
St. George's Circuit.....	495	.....	2
Lower St. George's.....	325	9	.....
Bamberg Circuit.....	319	.....	1
Walterboro.....	612	179	1
Colleton Circuit.....	540	.....	2
Allendale Circuit.....	320	.....	.....
Yemassee Circuit.....	147	.....	1
Black Swamp Circuit.....	170	59	1
Hardeeville Mission.....	50	.....	.....
	4907	396	16

Orangeburg District.

Orangeburg Station.....	127	.....	1
Eastern Orange Circuit.....	247	.....	2
Providence Circuit.....	460	8	1
St. Matthew's Circuit.....	265	.....	.....
Branchville Circuit.....	241	.....	.....
Edisto Circuit.....	482	2	1
Graham's Circuit.....	305	.....	.....
Williston Circuit.....	200	2	.....
Aiken Mission.....	31	.....	1
Graniteville Mission.....	153	2	1
Upper Orange Circuit.....	353	3	.....
Upper St. Matthew's Circuit.....	207	.....	.....
	3071	17	7

Columbia District.

Columbia:			
Washington Street.....	304	.....	1
Marion Street.....	213	2	.....
City Mission*.....	.....	.....	.....
Columbia Circuit.....	508	.....	.....
Richland Fork Circuit.....	318	10	.....
Winnboro Circuit.....	143	1	.....
Fairfield Circuit.....	450	2	4
East Chester Circuit.....	435	1	1
Chester Circuit.....	508	.....	.....
Rock Hill Circuit.....	235	3	.....
Yorkville Station.....	180	.....	1
York Circuit.....	175	.....	.....
Lexington Circuit and Mission.....	449	.....	2
Leesville Circuit.....	466	.....	2
Upper Edisto Mission.....	8	.....	.....
	4392	19	11

* Reported with Columbia charges.

Sumter District.

Sumter Station.....	184	2	.....
Sumter Circuit.....	498	.....	.....
Bishopville Circuit.....	436	8	.....
Camden Station.....	90	.....	.....
Santee Circuit.....	310	1	3
Fulton Mission.....	58	.....	1
Manning Circuit.....	318	.....	.....
Lynchburg Circuit.....	673	10	3
Timmonsville Circuit.....	434	.....	4
Darlington Circuit.....	738	.....	4
Cheraw Station.....	105	.....	3
Westfield Creek.....	10	1	1
Chesterfield Circuit.....	697	.....	4
Zoar Circuit and Lynch's Cr'k Miss..	308	.....	1
Hanging Rock Circuit.....	300	.....	.....
Lancaster Station.....	90	.....	.....
Belle Air Circuit.....	187	.....	1
	5436	22	25

Marion District.

	White Mem's.	Col'd Mem's.	Loc'l Pr's.
Marion Station.....	255	.....	2
Marion Circuit.....	450	6	2
Buck Swamp Circuit.....	709	.....	3
Little Rock Circuit.....	710	.....	4
Bennettsville Circuit.....	1156	.....	3
North Marlboro Circuit.....	262	.....	1
Kingstree Circuit.....	581	.....	2
Johnsonville Circuit.....	407	1	4
Liberty Chapel Circuit.....	61	1	1
Lynch's Creek Circuit.....	346	2	.....
Darlington Station.....	80	.....	.....
Bucksville and Conwayboro.....	132	.....	.....
Conwayboro Circuit and Mission.....	600	3	3
Waccamaw Circuit and Mission.....	200	3	.....
Georgetown Station.....	182	1	.....
	6131	16	25

Spartanburg District.

	White Mem's.	Col'd Mem's.	Loc'l Pr's.
Spartanburg Station.....	318	.....	3
Spartanburg Circuit and Mission.....	399	.....	.....
Cherokee Circuit.....	105	.....	.....
Rich Hill Circuit.....	671	35	2
Pacolet Circuit.....	230	115	.....
Fair Forest Circuit.....	445	16	1
Unionville.....	68	.....	.....
Goshen Hill Circuit.....	150	.....	1
Belmont Circuit.....	332	.....	.....
Clinton Circuit.....	275	.....	.....
Cane Creek Circuit.....	176	.....	.....
Laurens Circuit.....	594	.....	.....
	3763	166	7

Cokesbury District.

	White Mem's.	Col'd Mem's.	Loc'l Pr's.
Cokesbury Station.....	154	1	1
Cokesbury Circuit.....	454	.....	1
Abbeville Station.....	102	1	1
Abbeville Circuit.....	375	.....	.....
Lowndesville Station.....	256	.....	.....
Tumbling Shoals Circuit.....	342	.....	.....
Greenwood Circuit.....	398	.....	1
South Abbeville Circuit.....	478	.....	2
Newberry Station.....	114	.....	.....
Newberry Circuit.....	680	.....	3
Little Saluda Circuit.....	401	.....	1
Edgefield Circuit.....	322	.....	1
	4076	2	11

Greenville District.

	White Mem's.	Col'd Mem's.	Loc'l Pr's.
Greenville Station.....	174	.....	1
Greenville Circuit.....	465	1	3
Buena Vista and Batesville.....	245	.....	2
Reidsville Circuit.....	553	6	.....
Walhalla Circuit.....	365	.....	3
Pickensville Circuit.....	559	.....	.....
Williamston Circuit.....	150	.....	1
Seneca Circuit and Mission.....	361	.....	.....
Brushy Creek Circuit.....	293	.....	1
Anderson Station.....	102	.....	.....
Anderson Circuit and Mission.....	348	.....	2
Pendleton Circuit.....	833	.....	2
Cheohee Circuit and Mission.....	208	.....	1
	4656	7	16

Recapitulation.

Charleston District.....	4907	396	16
Orangeburg ".....	3071	17	7
Columbia ".....	4392	19	11
Sumter ".....	5436	22	25
Marion ".....	6131	16	25
Spartanburg ".....	3763	166	7
Cokesbury ".....	4076	2	11
Greenville ".....	4656	7	16
Total this year.....	36,432	645	118
Total last year.....	36,041	653	127
Increase.....	391		
Decrease.....		8	9

Ques. 22. How many infants have been baptized during the year?
1577.

Ques. 23. How many adults have been baptized during the year?
1414.

Ques. 24. What is the number of Sunday-schools?
443.

Ques. 25. What is the number of Sunday-school teachers?
2780.

Ques. 26. What is the number of Sunday-school scholars?
17,181.

Ques. 27. What amount is necessary for the superannuated preachers, and the widows and orphans of preachers?
\$7,175.

Ques. 28. What has been collected on the foregoing account, and how has it been applied?
Collected, \$4,745 50. Disbursed to the claimants according to their respective claims.

Ques. 29. What has been contributed for missions?
\$4,632 38.

Ques. 30. Where shall the next session of the Conference be held?
At Greenville, S. C.

Ques. 31. Where are the preachers stationed this year?

CHARLESTON DISTRICT.

Wm. P. Mouzon, P. E.

Charleston:
Trinity and Cumberland, George H. Wells.
Bethel, John T. Wightman.
Spring Street, Richard D. Smart.
Summerville Circuit, A. W. Walker.
{ Berkeley Circuit, Edward L. King.
{ Cooper River Mission, to be supplied.
{ Cypress Circuit, William Carson.
{ St. Paul's Mission, to be supplied.
St. George's Circuit, William A. Clarke.
Bamberg Circuit, Paul F. Kistler.
Walterboro Circuit, B. G. Jones, H. B. Green.
Colleton Circuit, Thomas Raysor, William S. F. Wightman.
Allendale Circuit, T. E. Wannamaker.
{ Yemassee Circuit, George H. Poeser.
{ Hardeeville Mission, John R. Coburn.
Black Swamp Circuit, Martin L. Banks.

ORANGEBURG DISTRICT.

Hugh A. C. Walker, P. E.

Orangeburg Station, James B. Campbell.
Eastern Orange Circuit, Abram Nettles.
Branchville Circuit, D. J. Simmons.
Providence Circuit, J. H. Zimmerman.
St. Matthew's Circuit, T. J. Clyde.
Upper St. Matthew's Circuit, J. J. Workman.
Upper Orange Circuit, A. R. Danner.

Edisto Circuit, J. L. Sidley, R. B. Tarrant, Sup.
 Upper Edisto Mission, to be supplied (by E. A. Price).
 Graham Circuit, J. W. McRoy.
 Williston Circuit, J. B. Massebeau.
 Ellenton Circuit, H. W. Whitaker.
 Aiken Mission, U. S. Bird, G. J. Griffiths, Sup.
 Graniteville and Langley Mission, L. C. Loyal.

Florence and Liberty Chapel, G. T. Hannon.
 Lynch's Creek Circuit, R. L. Duffie.
 Kingstree and Johnsonville Circuit, W. Hutto, one to be supplied.
 Gourdin and Sampit Circuit, H. J. Morgan.
 Georgetown Station, Landy Wood.
 Conwayboro and Bucksville, M. V. Wood.
 Conwayboro Circuit, C. D. Rowell, one to be supplied.
 Waccamaw Circuit and Mission, W. H. Kirton.

COLUMBIA DISTRICT.

Wm. H. Fleming, P. E.

Columbia:
 Washington Street, O. A. Darby, A. Coke Smith.
 Marion Street, W. D. Kirkland.
 Columbia Circuit, J. T. Kilgo.
 Richland Fork Circuit, John C. Russell.
 Winsboro and Ridgeway, A. J. Stafford.
 Black Stock Circuit, C. D. Mann.
 Fairfield Circuit, J. M. Boyd.
 East Chester Circuit, E. J. Meynardie.
 Chester Circuit, J. W. Humbert.
 Rock Hill Circuit, J. E. Watson, M. A. Connolly, Sup.
 Yorkville Station, D. D. Dantzier.
 York Circuit, L. A. Johnson.
 Lexington Circuit, George W. Gatlin.
 Leesville Circuit, Jesse A. Clifton.
 Edgefield Circuit, William Thomas.
 Columbia Female College, S. B. Jones, President; S. H. Browne, Agent.

SPARTANBURG DISTRICT.

T. G. Herbert, P. E.

Spartanburg Station, John A. Porter.
 Spartanburg Circuit, J. C. Davis.
 Cheochee Circuit, to be supplied (by J. F. Smith).
 Rich Hill Circuit, M. H. Pooser.
 Pacolet Circuit, Isaac J. Newberry.
 Fair Forest Circuit, J. B. Wilson.
 Union Station, A. H. Lester.
 Goshen Hill Circuit, N. K. Melton.
 Belmont Circuit, M. A. McKibben.
 Cane Creek Circuit, H. F. Chrietzberg.
 Clinton Circuit, W. J. Whitman.
 Laurens Circuit, Joseph B. Traywick.
 Wofford College, A. M. Shipp, President; W. Smith, Professor.
 Editor of *Southern Christian Advocate*, F. M. Kennedy.
 Carolina Orphans' Home, R. C. Oliver, Sup't.

SUMTER DISTRICT.

A. M. Chrietzberg, P. E.

Sumter Station, John M. Carlisle.
 Sumter Circuit, L. M. Little, W. A. Rogers.
 Bishopville Circuit, S. J. Hill, L. F. Beaty.
 Camden Station, J. W. Kelly.
 { Santee Circuit, Thomas Mitchell.
 { Fulton Mission, to be supplied (by C. Felder).
 Manning Circuit, John B. Platte.
 Lynchburg Circuit, F. Auld, J. Sidney Beasley.
 Timmonsville Circuit, C. C. Fishburne.
 Darlington Station, John O. Willson.
 Darlington Circuit, L. M. Hamer.
 { Cheraw Station, John E. Carlisle.
 { Cheraw Mission, John R. Little.
 Chesterfield Circuit, Abner Ervin.
 { Zoar Circuit and Mission, D. W. Seale.
 { Hanging Rock Circuit, T. W. Munnerylyn.
 { Lancaster Station, R. Lee Harper.
 { Belle Air Circuit, Joseph F. England.

COKESBURY DISTRICT.

Henry M. Mood, P. E.

Cokesbury Station, R. N. Wells.
 Cokesbury Circuit, S. P. H. Elwell, C. H. Pritchard, jr.
 Abbeville Station, William T. Capers.
 Abbeville Circuit, R. R. Dagnall, J. C. Bissell.
 South Abbeville Circuit, George M. Boyd.
 Lowndesville Station, A. J. Cawthen.
 Tumbling Shoals Circuit, J. Finger.
 Greenwood Circuit, J. W. Murray, G. W. Walker, W. H. Lawton, Sup.
 Newberry Station, Manning Brown.
 Newberry Circuit, J. L. Shuford, J. C. Counts.
 Little Saluda Circuit, J. C. Miller.
 Cokesbury School, George F. Round.

MARION DISTRICT.

Wm. C. Power, P. E.

Marion Station, A. J. Stokes.
 Marion Circuit, W. L. Pegues.
 Buck Swamp Circuit, W. W. Jones, one to be supplied.
 Little Rock Circuit, James C. Stoll.
 Bennettsville Circuit, John A. Mood, D. Tiller.
 North Marlboro Circuit, E. T. Hodges, R. R. Pegues, Sup.

GREENVILLE DISTRICT.

R. P. Franks, P. E.

Greenville Station, C. H. Pritchard, sr.
 Greenville Circuit, John Attaway.
 Reidville Circuit, John K. McCain.
 Buena Vista and Batesville Station, to be supplied (by S. M. Green).
 Williamston Station, S. A. Weber.
 Brushy Creek and Belton Circuit, E. L. Archer, John A. Wood, Sup.
 Anderson Station, William W. Mood.
 Anderson Circuit and Mission, J. Q. Stockman; W. A. Hodges, C. V. Barnes, Sups.
 Pendleton Circuit, D. J. McMillan.
 Pickensville Circuit, R. W. Barber.

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| <p>Walhalla Circuit, J. W. Dickson, F. M. Morgan, Sup.
Cheochee Mission, to be supplied (by E. Merritt).</p> | <p>Williamston Female College, Samuel Lander, President.
Tract Agent, William Bowman.</p> |
| <p>Seneca Circuit and Mission, to be supplied (by Henry Tyler).</p> | <p>J. C. Crisp transferred to North Carolina Conference.</p> |

7.—NORTH GEORGIA CONFERENCE.

HELD AT NEWNAN, GA., *December 10-16, 1873.*

BISHOP PAINE, *President*; JOHN W. HEIDT, *Secretary*.

- QUESTION 1.** Who are admitted on trial?
ANSWER. William E. Shackelford, George E. Bonner, Thomas J. Adams, Andrew J. Hughes, George W. Thomas, John W. G. Watkins, William L. Wootten, jr., Wm. H. Speer, Wylie T. Laine, Charles E. Dowman, William O. Butler, Walter L. Yarbrough, John F. Jones, Joseph H. Bentley, Wm. Robert Foote, John D. Gray. 16.
- Ques. 2.** Who remain on trial?
Clement C. Cary, Wm. W. Lampkin, Eli Smith, Marion L. Underwood, Benjamin F. Fariss, Jno. H. Mashburn, jr., Wm. P. Smith, Wm. H. LaPrade, Samuel P. Jones, Wm. F. Lewis, Samuel A. Mitchel, Robetson M. Hughes. 12.
- Ques. 3.** Who are discontinued?
George M. Robinson, Thos. J. Robinson. 2.
- Ques. 4.** Who are admitted into full connection?
James S. Embry, John R. Pate, Joshua M. Parker, Wm. P. Lovejoy, Heyden C. Christian, Robert P. Martyn, James S. Bryan, Willard W. Wadsworth. 8.
- Ques. 5.** Who are readmitted?
None.
- Ques. 6.** Who are received by transfer from other Conferences?
George R. Kramer, G. Jefferson Pearce, Wm. T. McMichael, Amicus W. Williams, Geo. W. Hardaway, James Jones. 6.
- Ques. 7.** Who are the deacons of one year?
Alexander Odom, John B. McFarland, Walter R. Branham, jr., James N. Myers, James S. Bryan. 5.
- Ques. 8.** What traveling preachers are elected deacons?
James S. Embry, John R. Pate, Joshua M. Parker, Heyden C. Christian, Robert P. Martyn, William F. Lewis. 6.
- Ques. 9.** What traveling preachers are ordained deacons?
James S. Embry, John R. Pate, Joshua M. Parker, Heyden C. Christian, Robert P. Martyn, William F. Lewis. 6.
- Ques. 10.** What local preachers are elected deacons?
James M. Bell, William Seymour, Thomas J. Adams, Nicholas F. Howard, Jas. T. Rogers, Andrew J. Hughes, William C. Holbrook, Edmund P. Gaines, John McDonald, Samuel W. McWhorter, Amos Thornburgh, James H. Callahan, James B. Hunnicutt, John M. Haisten, Wylie T. Laine, John M. Thurman, Sterling Berry, colored. 17. William H. Goodwin, of the M. E. Church, recognized a deacon.
- Ques. 11.** What local preachers are ordained deacons?
Thomas J. Adams, Nicholas F. Howard, Andrew J. Hughes, William C. Holbrook, Edmund P. Gaines, Samuel W. McWhorter, Jas. B. Hunnicutt, John M. Haisten, Wylie T. Laine, John M. Thurman. 10.
- Ques. 12.** What traveling preachers are elected elders?
Thomas H. Gibson, Allen C. Thomas, David J. Weems, Thomas H. Timmons, Marion H. Eakes, David L. Anderson, Curtiss A. Conway, William P. Lovejoy, Willard W. Wadsworth. 9.
- Ques. 13.** What traveling preachers are ordained elders?
Thomas H. Gibson, Allen C. Thomas, David J. Weems, Thomas H. Timmons, Marion H. Eakes, David L. Anderson, Curtiss A. Conway, William P. Lovejoy, Willard W. Wadsworth. 9.
- Ques. 14.** What local preachers are elected elders?
John Oats, Jesse J. Harris, Thomas Maddox, John L. Stuart, John W. Atwater, Franklin M. T. Brannon. 6.
- Ques. 15.** What local preachers are ordained elders?
None.
- Ques. 16.** Who are located this year?
David W. Calhoun, Joseph M. Hardin, Chas. F. Oliver, Benjamin E. Ledbetter, at their own request. 4.
- Ques. 17.** Who are supernumerary?

Alexander Means, Peter A. Heard, John T. Norris, Robert A. Seale, Eldridge K. Aiken, William P. Harrison, John P. Howell. 7.

Ques. 18. Who are superannuated?

Jesse W. Carroll, Robert A. Conner, Henry Crawford, Andrew J. Deavors, John M. Bright, James M. Armstrong, John P. Duncan, Milford G. Hamby, Samuel J. Bellah, John B. C. Quillian, Goodman Hughes, Morgan Bellah, C. Trussell, Jno. M. Lowery, Jno. W. Knight, N. H. Palmer, J. Boring, G. J. Pearce. 18.

Ques. 19. What preachers have died during the past year?

William J. Parks. 1.

WILLIAM J. PARKS was the son of Henry Parks, a native of Virginia. His religious education was limited, as his religious privileges were few. The first sermon he ever heard was preached by John Majors, in Elbert county, Ga., when he himself was a married man with a family. His early associations were for the most part with the Baptists, in North Carolina. The family removed to Kentucky before the revolution. Here they were exposed to such depredations by the Indians, they were compelled to leave the country and return to North Carolina. About this time began the war between England and the Colonies. Henry Parks was a "minute-man," and was active in the stirring scenes of those times. He was a man of great physical powers of endurance—a brave man and a good soldier—and was seriously wounded in the battle of King's Mountain. Martha Parks, whose maiden name was Justice, the mother of the subject of this memoir, was a Virginia lady, of excellent judgment, even temper, and great activity. She was an Episcopalian by education, but hearing a Methodist preacher, she was convinced of sin, obtained religion, and joined the Methodist Church. About 1783 the family settled in Elbert county, Ga., where they heard Humphreys and Majors, Methodist preachers, in 1786. Henry read the Bible, and found it taught the doctrines of these preachers, obtained religion, joined the M. E. Church, and, for the greater part of fifty-nine years, was a class-leader and exhorter in that Church. Henry Parks died in Jackson county, Ga., in 1845, at the advanced age of eighty-seven years. Martha Parks died in 1815, over sixty years of age. She died in triumph, shouting the praises of God. This fact impressed William, a lad at that time, and was, perhaps, one fact among others that first awakened religious thought and conviction. William Justice Parks was born in Franklin county, Ga., Nov. 30, 1799, the youngest of eight children. While he was quite a child, he gave evidence of more than ordinary mind, and seems to have been gifted with a remarkably retentive memory. When about five years old, he was sent to school two miles from home. He learned the alphabet the first day, and in due time acquired a knowledge of reading, writing, and arithmetic, as far as the Rule of Three. His first teacher was an old man, an old teacher, and an old drunkard.

He was kept at school with various teachers at intervals of a year or more, walking often several miles to the school-house, or the Academy, as it was called. While at school he read the Bible through twice, and committed some chapters and select verses, which he retained through life. By the time he was sixteen years old, he had acquired a fair education for the times, and in 1817-18 he became a school-teacher himself, supporting himself by hard work and a poor remuneration. He was converted when only eight years old. The family attended a camp-meeting in Elbert county, forty miles from home, and his brother and sister embraced religion. After returning home—all the family happy in God—William felt serious, retired to his room for prayer, and prayed until all sadness left him, wept aloud for joy, and experienced a change of heart. For months from this time he enjoyed peace; but gradually, by neglect of prayer and other duties, he lost his happiness, and never regained it until the fall of 1818, at a camp-meeting near his father's house. He came to this place less religiously concerned than he had been for a long time. Samuel Sewell, then going to school to him, was exhorting in the altar; he (Parks) was convicted of sin, fled to the woods to pray, shouted aloud in the joy of his restoration to the favor of God, and returned to tell the glad news to his father and friends. He joined the Church at the first opportunity, felt impressions to do good and to preach the gospel, carried his case by prayer to the throne of grace, and read good books and the Bible with reference to the subject. In 1820 he went to Salem, Clarke county, to study English Grammar under Mr. J. C. Paulette, teacher in the Academy. He boarded with the Rev. Joseph Tarpley, Presiding Elder of the Athens District, who conversed freely with him—learned his impressions, encouraged him, and gave him license to exhort. He immediately began his work with old Uncle Toliver, a colored Baptist preacher, often walking seven miles to his appointments. In 1821, at a District Conference, he was licensed to preach, and recommended for the itinerancy to the next Annual Conference, to be held at Wilmington, N. C., Feb., 1822. Previous to receiving recommendation, he notified his Presiding Elder that if he was received at the Conference it must be as a married man. He was married to Miss Naomi Prickett, Feb. 14, 1822. He was admitted on trial and sent to the Sparta Circuit, Thomas Sanford being senior preacher with him. He preached his first sermon in the M. E. Church, in Powelton, Hancock county, Ga., Feb., 1822. In 1823-24 he was alone on the Gwinnett Mission, a newly settled country, where for miles he found not even a settler's blaze to direct him. Then men and women walked six and seven miles to church, or rather to a pole cabin, the house of some friend. These were happy, successful years, but full of hardships, trials, and even perils, and some persecutions. Many souls were converted, congregations organized, and log-churches erected. In the first

of 1824 he and his wife went to housekeeping in Franklin county, Ga., forty miles from his nearest preaching-place the greater part of his time, having twenty-six appointments, preaching thirty times in twenty-two days, and riding about three hundred miles in a month. The few days at home were not "rest days," but days of manual labor—working with his hands even to blistering in order to provide for his family. In 1825 he was on Broad River Circuit, Isaac Boring being his colleague as junior preacher his first year. In 1826 he was on Grove Circuit, receiving \$80 all told for his year's work. His "whole soul was itinerant," but from stress of circumstances he determined to locate for one year to prepare for the regular work the rest of his days. In 1827, the preacher on the circuit that year failing in health, to relieve him he again consented to travel. This interfered with his plans, so that he was compelled to remain local in 1828. He was readmitted in Jan., 1829, and sent to the Gwinnett Circuit among his old friends of the former mission. In 1830 he was on the Walton Circuit, formerly a part of Gwinnett Mission. In 1831-32 he was Presiding Elder on the Athens District. In 1833, at his own request, preferring a circuit, he was put on the Apalachee Circuit, John C. Oliver being his colleague as junior preacher. In 1834 he was on the Milledgeville District, his nearest appointment in Franklin county being sixty miles distant from home, the lower end of the work being about two hundred and fifty miles away. On this District he had twelve appointments, forty-eight quarterly-meetings, and about five thousand miles of travel per annum, visiting his family about eight times in the year. We present a summary of his work up to 1865, in which year we find him permanently superannuated. He was missionary two years; Presiding Elder, fourteen years; on stations, four years; Agent for American Bible Society, one year; Agent for Georgia Conference, one year; on circuits, ten years; Agent for Emory College, eight years—a period of forty-three years—in which he was local two years and superannuated one year, 1856. He was a member of all the General Conferences from 1832 to 1844, the memorable Conference in the history of the Church. He was elected delegate to the Louisville Convention in 1845, but owing to the death of his aged father he did not attend. He was elected also to the first General Conference of the M. E. Church, South, at Petersburg, May, 1846, but owing to personal injuries did not attend. He was delegate to the several General Conferences from 1850 to 1866, held at St. Louis, Columbus, Nashville, and New Orleans, respectively, but being unable to attend the last he resigned his place to his son, H. H. Parks, first on the list of reserved delegates. Bereaved of his second wife, who died in Oxford, May 30, 1865, he spent the time from February to August of this year in visiting his friends and relatives in North-east Georgia, among whom he found much satisfaction in preaching to them as he was able.

Alone in his old age, he often felt himself to be a stranger among friends, and homeless though at home. After prayer and counsel with prudent and reliable friends, he was married to Mrs. Dolly S. Burge, of Newton county, Ga., Sept. 13, 1866, in which marriage, as in the former two, he recognized a wise and gracious Providence guiding him and providing for his greatest happiness and usefulness. On Nov. 30, 1869, we find him seventy years old, physically feeble, but able to preach almost every Sabbath, in tolerable health and good spirits, comfortable in circumstances, and celebrating his birthday in happy social reunion with his wife and six children, and nine grandchildren, out of a larger circle not present, happier still in the Christian's faith and hope, retrospectively the past with pleasure, and with cheerful contentment looking joyfully to the life to come. Honored by his brethren in his old age as a delegate elect to the General Conference at Memphis, he anticipated much pleasure in attending this Conference. In Sept., 1870, conscious of a rapid decline, and anticipating death in less than twelve months, with a soul overflowing with gratitude, full of faith, anxious to depart, he gives expression to his peace of mind in the words of the hymn he loved, "Happy if with my latest breath." He hoped to be able to attend the session of the North Georgia Conference at Athens, in 1871, but his health was insufficient, and he declined going. He preached his last sermon in Sept., 1870, and a year afterward is still hoping to preach. Now laboring under disease involving his heart and lungs, superinduced by about fifty years of excessive ministerial labor, his rejoicing is this, that he was "not worn out in the service of sin, but in the service of his Master, into whose gracious keeping he commits all for time and eternity." On the verge of the grave in 1872, he is hoping to preach, happy that he had kept his early vows of consecration to the ministry, able and delighting to read the Bible, but lamenting his failing memory. His journal abounds with expressions of gratitude, and prayer, and praise, and couplets of hymns. There are evident signs in his chirography of increasing paralysis. Up to June, 1872, paralysis increases—he cannot walk nor stand, and is lifted about as a little child. He is anxious to attend the Conference at Atlanta, but has no hope of such pleasure. He rejoices in God's goodness, and in the unremitting kindness of his wife, and daughter, and friends. Dec. 1, 1872, dates the last record in his journal, and he writes: "I do not expect to see another birthday. May I be found ready when the Master calls, and able to respond joyfully, 'Here am I.'" So ends the record, written in pen and ink with his own hand. This will perish with all transitory things, but the record of his life, written on immortal souls, and in the Church in the results of his labors and life, will live forever. As a man, physically, he was endowed with an iron constitution and a strong frame, to which he owed his wonderful powers of endurance. He was tall, well proportioned, and

commanding in person—his face impressive and benignant. Intellectually, he was a giant in strength, a hard and laborious student in his early Christian ministry, and had developed his mental capital by extensive reading and acquirements in later life. In his social and family relations he was mild, genial and affable, always cheerful and hopeful; a man of large heart-power, and wealth of affection, grave and stern in his deportment where gravity and severity were necessary; wise among the wise, and a child among children, loving and beloved by all who knew and appreciated him. As a counselor and advocate in the Church, he was equal to any occasion and responsibility, fearless and firm in his positions, but never offensively arrogant and obtrusive in advocating his views. Possessing a strong mind and a clear judgment, with a large stock of common sense, and the advantages of extensive observation and experience, his opinions were generally accurate and reliable. He was wise, prudent, cautious, strongly conservative, but always ready for true progress and real reform. In the progress of the Church he feared for the future, but rejoiced in all her tried elements of a sure prosperity. As a preacher, he was concise and perspicuous in style, without effort at rhetorical display, solid and rich in his subject-matter, and forcible and persuasive in his conclusions and appeals. He was profound in doctrine, eschewing fanciful interpretations, and eminently spiritual and practical, convincing his hearers, and making the truth desirable, and was satisfied only with spiritual results. As a Christian leader in society, he identified himself with all that was good and lovely, and contributed through a long life of usefulness to every social, moral, and religious enterprise which he could indorse, according to his ability. He was a man not of words, but of deeds, and his influence was ever for good. Above all he loved the Church. Only a few days before his death he attended a Church-service for the children, speaking to them kindly, urging the importance of doing well whatever they attempted—insisting on early conversion and religion. He loved the cause of education, and was a warm patron of Emory College during his life, and on the day of his death visited the institution and spent most of the day with the Faculty. Returning home in the evening of the same day, he was, as usual, pleasant and agreeable in social intercourse with his family; the Rev. John P. Duncan praying with him, and he responding with a fervent "Amen!" Soon afterward, as his friends were helping him to bed, paralysis came on; he complained of breathing hardly, and in one hour from that time he was dead. For two years he expected every day to be his last, but there was no fear. Every day was full of prayer, and gratitude, and Christian patience, and of counsel and advice to others. He had no solicitude save a desire to depart and be with Christ; to live and suffer was Christ; to die was gain. So he passed away, giving beforehand special instructions as to the

details of his burial and funeral, recommending extreme simplicity, and dictating his own epitaph. So died, on the evening of Oct. 16, 1873, this man of God, as a true philosopher and Christian, in the faith of that gospel he faithfully proclaimed for half a century, and in the glorious hope of that heaven and immortality which sustained him "even down to old age," and made the darkness of death as the twilight of heaven, and as the valley of Beulah. His good name was better than rubies, and his life and example are a glorious legacy for the Church and the world. He is gone; but as the waters of Jordan flow back over the unfaltering steps of this patriarch and prince of Israel, behold a flood of glory pours down from heaven through the valley of death, and the involving shadows of eternity are all alive with angelic forms of light and beauty, who come to receive his spirit and escort him to God; and as he enters upon his reward and rest, to his own bereaved family circle, and to this Conference of ministers and laymen, and especially to his old friends and associates who labored with him in doctrine and the councils of the Church, as well as to that larger circle of spiritual children whom he loved, if our spiritual ears were opened, we might hear, perchance, descending as from heaven, this last message and benediction: "These things ye have heard and seen in me, do—follow me as I have followed Christ—be faithful unto death, and the God of peace be with you all evermore!"

This faithful old hero, so noble and brave,
 May sleep with his sword in the conqueror's grave!
 A servant so true to his Master may rest,
 For his end is in peace and his memory blest!

Ques. 20. Are all the preachers blameless in their life and official administration?

Their names were called over, one by one, and their characters examined and passed.

Ques. 21. What is the number of local preachers and members in the several circuits, stations, and missions of the Conference?

Augusta District.

	White Mem's.	Col'd Mem's.	Loc'l Pr's.
St. John's.....	230	.....	3
St. James.....	579	.....	1
Asbury.....	537	.....	2
Richmond.....	356	.....	4
Belair Mission.....	108	.....	1
Appling.....	282	.....	1
Thomson.....	356	.....	4
Warrenton.....	774	.....	7
Sparta and Factory Mission.....	126	.....	.....
Hancock.....	605	.....	1
Crawfordville.....	287	.....	.....
Milledgeville.....	244	.....	.....
Baldwin.....	200	.....	.....
	4634	.....	24

Athens District.

Athens.....	369	.....	5
Oconee Street.....	151	.....	.....
Factory Mission.....	170	.....	2
Watkinsville.....	630	.....	8
Madison.....	104	.....	.....
Morgan.....	358	.....	3

Athens District (continued).

	White Mem's.	Col'd Mem's.	Loc'l Pr's.
Greensboro	200	.....	1
White Plains	369	.....	3
Lexington	185	.....	1
Winterville	272	.....	3
Washington	132	4	.....
Broad River	170	13	2
Little River	217	.....	2
Eatonton	138	.....	.....
Putnam	400	.....	4
Total	3865	17	34

Elberton District.

	White Mem's.	Col'd Mem's.	Loc'l Pr's.
Elberton	183	.....	2
Elbert	545	.....	4
Bethlehem	142	.....	1
Lincolnton	272	45	1
Jefferson	314	.....	1
Mulberry	478	.....	7
Carnesville & Franklin Springs Mis.	290	.....	4
Danielsville & Madison Springs Mis.	306	.....	1
Homer	311	.....	2
Hartwell	529	2	4
Clarksville	441	32	5
Air Line Mission	96	.....	.....
Clayton Mission	196	.....	.....
Toogaloo and Currihee Mission	205	.....	2
Total	4308	79	34

Dahlonega District.

	White Mem's.	Col'd Mem's.	Loc'l Pr's.
Dahlonega	340	.....	5
Dawsonville	422	3	5
Long Swamp Mountain Mission	112	.....	1
Cumming	464	2	8
Alpharetta	373	.....	1
Cherokee	418	.....	6
Cleveland	649	1	7
Blairsville Mission	293	.....	3
Morganton Mission	103	.....	1
Gainesville Station	233	.....	2
Hall	440	3	5
Lawrenceville	1022	.....	5
Ellijay Mission	280	.....	2
Total	5149	9	51

Rome District.

	White Mem's.	Col'd Mem's.	Loc'l Pr's.
Rome Station	334	.....	3
Forrestville	622	2	7
Cedar Town and Cave Spring	533	6	4
Van Wert	450	.....	3
Carrolton and Bowden	708	.....	12
Villa Rica	558	.....	6
Haralson Mission	147	1	3
Cartersville and Branden	374	.....	6
Bartow	270	.....	2
Marietta	261	.....	4
Acworth	277	.....	10
Roswell	566	.....	7
Powder Springs	540	.....	5
Dallas	473	4	4
Sand Town	298	.....	2
Rome Circuit	304	.....	1
Total	6715	13	79

Dalton District.

	White Mem's.	Col'd Mem's.	Loc'l Pr's.
Dalton Station	218	.....	2
Dalton Circuit	414	6	4
Ringgold	472	2	2
Subigna	322	.....	2
Summersville	522	.....	5
La Fayette	343	.....	6
McLemore's Cove	440	.....	4
Spring Place	312	.....	3
Murray Mission	66	.....	.....
Tilton and Resaca	225	.....	2
Calhoun	449	.....	2
Kingston	640	.....	4

Dalton District (continued).

	White Mem's.	Col'd Mem's.	Loc'l Pr's.
Jasper	420	5	4
Canton	600	.....	6
Total	5443	13	46

La Grange District.

	White Mem's.	Col'd Mem's.	Loc'l Pr's.
La Grange	236	.....	3
West Point	135	.....	2
Newnan	170	.....	1
Troup	443	.....	4
Long Cane	330	5	.....
Whitesville	380	.....	7
Greenville and Trinity	224	.....	4
Chalybeate Springs	347	.....	1
Grantville	599	.....	5
Hogansville	380	.....	3
Senoia	623	.....	9
Palmetto and Jones's Chapel	210	.....	3
Fairburn	409	.....	4
Franklin Circuit and Heard Mission	481	.....	2
Total	4967	5	48

Atlanta District.

	White Mem's.	Col'd Mem's.	Loc'l Pr's.
Atlanta:			
First Church	459	.....	2
Payne's Chap. & P'ch-tree St. Miss.	350	.....	5
Trinity and McDonough St. Miss.	510	.....	8
Evans's Chap. & Taylor's Hill Miss.	325	.....	4
St. Paul's	273	.....	.....
Edgewood and St. John Mission	102	.....	.....
Atlanta Circuit	868	.....	7
Norcross	462	.....	3
Decatur	375	1	2
Forrest	500	.....	5
Conyers and Haynes Creek Mission	320	1	4
Covington and Mt. Pleasant	231	1	1
Newton	713	.....	3
Oxford and Social Circle	320	.....	11
Sardis and Mt. Tabor	102	.....	1
Newbern	305	.....	1
Monticello	263	.....	.....
Ocmulgee Mission	108	.....	.....
Monroe	539	.....	3
Total	7125	3	60

Griffin District.

	White Mem's.	Col'd Mem's.	Loc'l Pr's.
Griffin	340	.....	1
Zebulon	472	.....	2
Fayetteville	765	.....	9
McDonough	671	.....	2
Jackson	257	.....	1
Pleasant Hill	129	1	.....
Pike	320	.....	3
Barnesville and Salem	252	.....	3
Culloden	237	.....	2
County Line	232	.....	.....
Upson	449	.....	4
Thomaston	132	.....	4
Forsyth Station	180	.....	.....
Forsyth Circuit	267	.....	4
Clinton	175	.....	.....
Jones Mission	123	.....	1
Jonesboro	439	.....	4
Total	5440	1	40

Recapitulation.

	White Mem's.	Col'd Mem's.	Loc'l Pr's.
Augusta District	4684	.....	24
Athens	3865	17	34
Elberton	4308	79	34
Dahlonega	5149	9	51
Rome	6715	13	79
Dalton	5443	13	46
La Grange	4967	5	48
Atlanta	7125	3	60
Griffin	5440	1	40
Total this year	47,696	140	416
Total last year	46,447	176	412
Increase	1249		4
Decrease		36	

Ques. 22. How many infants have been baptized during the year?
1179.

Ques. 23. How many adults have been baptized during the year?
Whites, 2800; colored, 2.

Ques. 24. What is the number of Sunday-schools?
499.

Ques. 25. What is the number of Sunday-school teachers?
3299.

Ques. 26. What is the number of Sunday-school scholars?
24,345.

Ques. 27. What amount is necessary for the superannuated preachers, and the widows and orphans of preachers?
\$8,400.

Ques. 28. What has been collected on the foregoing account, and how has it been applied?
Collected, \$5,908. Applied to claimants.

Ques. 29. What has been contributed for missions?
\$7,615 05.

Ques. 30. Where shall the next session of the Conference be held?
At Cartersville, Ga.

Ques. 31. Where are the preachers stationed this year?

AUGUSTA DISTRICT.

C. W. Key, P. E.

Augusta:

- { St. John's, W. W. Hicks.
- { City Mission, Charles E. Dowman.
- St. James, J. E. Evans.
- Asbury, T. A. Seals.
- { Richmond Circuit, Benjamin F. Fariss.
- { Belair Mission, to be supplied (by E. P. Bonner).
- Appling Circuit, Daniel Kelsey.
- Thomson Circuit, W. T. Hamilton.
- Warrenton Circuit, W. F. Smith.
- Sparta, G. H. Pattillo.
- Hancock Circuit, F. P. Brown, John Newell, Sup.
- Crawfordville Circuit, Thomas J. Adams.
- Milledgeville, A. J. Jarrell.
- Baldwin Circuit, George W. Hardaway.

ATHENS DISTRICT.

Thomas F. Pierce, P. E.

Athens:

- Athens Station, Jo. Lewis, jr., P. A. Heard, Sup.
- Oconee Street, M. W. Arnold.
- Factory Mission, to be supplied (by J. E. Litton).
- Watkinsville Circuit, Wm. W. Oslin, W. W. Lampkin.
- Madison, A. T. Mann, A. Means, Sup.
- Morgan Circuit, John W. Yarbrough.
- Greensboro Circuit, Albert Gray.
- White Plains Circuit, James L. Pierce.

- Lexington Circuit, William A. Florence.
- Winterville Circuit, C. A. Conaway.
- Washington, William P. Rivers.
- Broad River Circuit, W. F. Quillian.
- Little River Circuit, Thomas H. Gibson.
- Eatonton, William P. Lovejoy.
- Putnam Circuit, W. J. Wardlaw, W. L. Wootten, jr.

ELBERTON DISTRICT.

George W. Yarbrough, P. E.

- Elberton Circuit, F. G. Hughes.
- Elbert Circuit, A. G. Worley.
- Bethlehem, A. W. Williams.
- Lincolnton Circuit, J. L. Lupo.
- Jefferson Circuit, John R. Parker.
- Mulberry Circuit, E. G. Murrah.
- { Carnesville Circuit, Benjamin W. Williams.
- { Franklin Springs Mission, to be supplied (by L. D. Sewell).
- Danielsville Circuit, B. Sanders.
- Homer Circuit, J. W. Glenn Watkins.
- Hartwell Circuit, W. T. Norman.
- Clarksville Circuit, W. P. Smith.
- Air Line Mission, John H. Washburn.
- Toogaloo Circuit, W. L. Yarbrough.
- Clayton Circuit and Mission, Geo. E. Bonner.

GAINESVILLE DISTRICT.

W. A. Dodge, P. E.

- { Dahlonega Circuit, D. L. Anderson.
- { Porter Springs Mission, to be supplied (by J. N. Austin).
- Dawsonville Circuit, to be supplied (by J. A. Donald).
- Cumming Circuit, J. N. Myers.
- Alpharetta Circuit, J. W. Baker.
- { Canton Circuit, W. G. Hanson.
- { Cherokee Circuit, to be supplied (by W. C. Holbrook).
- Cleveland Circuit, R. P. Martyn, J. J. Methvin, Sup.
- { Blairsville Mission, to be supplied (by T. J. Edwards).
- { Morganton Mission, to be supplied (by T. W. Arwood).
- Gainesville, James M. Dickey.
- { Gainesville Circuit, M. L. Underwood.
- { Hall Circuit, J. S. Embry.
- { Lawrenceville Circuit, J. R. Pate.
- { Logansville Circuit, J. H. Bentley.
- Duluth Circuit, M. H. Eakes.
- { Ellijay Circuit and Mission, to be supplied (by J. N. Sullivan, T. J. Robinson).
- { Jasper, to be supplied (by J. J. Harris).

ROME DISTRICT.

William F. Cook, P. E.

- Rome, W. M. Crumley.
- Rome Circuit, to be supplied (by J. E. B. Lewis.)
- Forrestville Circuit, F. F. Reynolds.
- Cedar Town Station, W. H. LaPrade.
- Van Wert Circuit, Samuel P. Jones.
- { Cave Spring Circuit, W. A. Simmons.
- { Floyd Circuit, to be supplied (by James W. Traywick).

{ Villa Rica Circuit, Sandford Leake.
 { Harakson Circuit and Mission, Jno. F. Jones.
 Cartersville, L. J. Davies, J. T. Norris, Sup.
 Bartow Circuit, R. H. Jones, R. A. Seale, Sup.
 Marietta, W. F. Glenn.
 Acworth Circuit, T. S. L. Harwell.
 Roswell Circuit, Joshua M. Parker.
 Powder Springs Circuit, W. A. Fariss.
 { Dallas Circuit, to be supplied (by J. Cohron).
 { Douglasville Circuit, to be supplied (by S.
 W. McWhorter).

DALTON DISTRICT.

R. W. Bigham, P. E.

Dalton, D. J. Myrick.
 Dalton Circuit, D. J. Weems.
 Ringgold Circuit, J. B. McFarland.
 Summersville Circuit, George R. Kramer.
 Subligna Circuit, G. W. Thomas.
 La Fayette Circuit, H. C. Christian.
 McLemore's Cove Circuit, to be supplied (by
 A. D. Stewart).
 Spring Place Circuit, Alex. Odon.
 Resaca Circuit, William Robert Foote.
 Murray Circuit and Mission, to be supplied (by
 John Oates).
 Calhoun Circuit, P. G. Reynolds.
 Kingston Circuit, J. J. Singleton.
 Dalton Female College, W. A. Rogers, Presi-
 dent.

ATLANTA DISTRICT.

W. H. Potter, P. E.

Atlanta:

{ First Church, E. W. Speer, William P.
 Harrison, Sup.
 { Payne's Chapel, A. C. Thomas.
 { Trinity, C. A. Evans.
 { City Mission, William O. Butler.
 { Evans's Chapel and Oakland, John H.
 Harris.
 { St. Paul's, W. P. Pledger.
 { Edgewood, W. R. Branham, jr.
 { Fulton Circuit, L. P. Neese.
 { East Point Circuit, to be supplied (by A. G.
 Dempsey).
 { Decatur Circuit, F. B. Davies.
 { Flat Shoals Circuit, Wylie T. Laine.
 Norcross Circuit, C. C. Cary.
 Conyers Circuit, W. T. Caldwell.
 Covington and Mount Pleasant, J. H. Baxter.
 Newton Circuit, A. W. Rowland.
 { Oxford and Social Circle, W. R. Branham.
 { Shiloh Circuit, B. E. L. Timmons.
 Newbern Circuit, M. F. Malsby.
 { Monticello Circuit, W. W. Wadsworth.
 { Ocmulgee Circuit and Mission, J. H. Wash-
 burn, jr.
 Monroe Circuit, W. D. Heath.
 Emory College, M. Callaway, Professor.

Sunday-school Secretary M. E. Church, South,
 A. G. Haygood.
 Orphans' Home, W. R. Forte, Superintendent
 and Agent.
 District Superintendent American Bible So-
 ciety, W. A. Parks.

GRIFFIN DISTRICT.

Jos. Lewis, P. E.

Griffin, John W. Heidt.
 Zebulon Circuit, D. Nolan.
 Fayetteville Circuit, G. E. Gardner.
 Jonesboro Circuit, R. R. Johnson.
 { McDonough Circuit, J. R. Mayson.
 { Hampton Circuit, John D. Gray.
 Jackson Circuit and Mission, W. T. McMichael.
 { Pleasant Hill Circuit, W. H. Speer.
 { Pike Circuit, Eli Smith.
 Barnesville and Salem, George G. Smith, jr.
 { Culloden, B. J. Johnson.
 { County Line Circuit, Samuel A. Mitchell.
 { Thomaston, J. B. Payne.
 { Upson Circuit, W. H. Graham.
 Forsyth, D. D. Cox.
 Forsyth Circuit, John A. Reynolds.
 Clinton Circuit, Joseph Carr.
 Jones Mission, to be supplied (by Elias H.
 Wood).

LA GRANGE DISTRICT.

H. J. Adams, P. E.

La Grange, W. J. Scott.
 West Point, P. M. Ryburn.
 Newnan, A. M. Thigpen.
 Troup, L. Rush, J. P. Howell, Sup.
 Long Cane Circuit, H. J. Ellis.
 Whitesville Circuit, J. T. Lowe.
 Greenville and Trinity, F. A. Kimbell.
 Chalybeate Springs Circuit, J. Sidney Bryan.
 { Grantville Circuit, W. J. Cotter.
 { Pierce Circuit, James Jones.
 Hogansville Circuit, John M. Bowden.
 Senoia Circuit, R. F. Jones, E. K. Aiken, Sup.
 { Palmetto and Jones's Chapel, T. H. Timmons.
 { Fairburn Circuit, J. Chambers.
 { Carrollton Circuit, W. C. Dunlap.
 { Bowden Circuit, C. A. Mitchell.
 Franklin Circuit and Henderson Mission, John
 W. Stipe, Thomas Turner, Sup.
 Missionary to China, Y. J. Allen.

William F. Lewis transferred to Florida
 Conference.
 Samuel D. Evans transferred to Western
 Conference.
 Robinson H. Hughes and Andrew J. Hughes
 transferred to Arkansas Conference.
 John T. Richardson transferred to White
 River Conference.

8.—SOUTH GEORGIA CONFERENCE.

HELD AT MACON, GA., December 17-22, 1873.

BISHOP PAINE, *President*; STEPHEN D. CLEMENTS, *Secretary*.

QUESTION 1. Who are admitted on trial?

ANSWER. Howard W. Key, Benjamin W. Key, Isaac F. Carey, Cornelius Boland, Pleasant H. Crumpler, William J. Flanders, James H. Henderson, Walker Lewis, Richard W. Rogers, James E. Rorie, Edwin I. Smith, J. W. Weston. 12.

Ques. 2. Who remain on trial?

John J. Boring, Wilbur F. Bearden, Peter S. Twitty, Albert McCoy Williams, Barnard H. Lester, W. H. Rogers. 6.

Ques. 3. Who are discontinued?

James M. Osborne, at his own request. 1.

Ques. 4. Who are admitted into full connection?

J. B. Culpepper, John W. Domingos, Wm. J. Green, George W. Hardaway, Robert M. Lockwood, J. Fletcher Mixon, Boling H. Sasnett, George C. Thompson. 8.

Ques. 5. Who are readmitted?

None.

Ques. 6. Who are received by transfer from other Conferences?

Thomas K. Leonard, from Trinity Conference. 1.

Ques. 7. Who are the deacons of one year?

Robert L. Honiker, J. P. Wardlaw, S. N. Tucker, John W. Glenn. 4.

Ques. 8. What traveling preachers are elected deacons?

John B. Culpepper, John W. Domingos, William J. Green, George W. Hardaway, Boling H. Sasnett, George C. Thompson, Albert McCoy Williams, Peter S. Twitty, Barnard H. Lester. 9.

Ques. 9. What traveling preachers are ordained deacons?

John B. Culpepper, John W. Domingos, William J. Green, George W. Hardaway, Boling H. Sasnett, George C. Thompson, Albert McCoy Williams, Peter S. Twitty, Barnard H. Lester. 9.

Ques. 10. What local preachers are elected deacons?

Seaborne H. Thigpen, Walker Lewis, Hamlin R. Felder, Thomas Lane, James B. McCullers, Charles S. Rockwell, John T. Lowe. 7.

Ques. 11. What local preachers are ordained deacons?

Walker Lewis, John T. Lowe, Hamlin R. Felder, Thomas Lane. 4.

Ques. 12. What traveling preachers are elected elders?

Edwin J. Burch, Robert M. Lockwood. 2.

Ques. 13. What traveling preachers are ordained elders?

Edwin J. Burch, Robert M. Lockwood. 2.

Ques. 14. What local preachers are elected elders?

Henry J. Harvey, Charles R. H. Hays, Jos. Short, James D. Russ, James J. Tooke, John W. Watts. 6.

Ques. 15. What local preachers are ordained elders?

Henry J. Harvey, Charles R. H. Hays, Jas. D. Russ, James J. Tooke, Wm. Hardin. 5.

Ques. 16. Who are located this year?

William A. Green, Robert D. Gentry, at their own request. 2.

Ques. 17. Who are supernumerary?

Robert F. Williamson. 1.

Ques. 18. Who are superannuated?

Charles A. Moore, Wyatt Brooks, Jacob R. Owen, Henry P. Pitchford, William W. Griffin, Capel Raiford, Thomas C. Coleman, F. R. C. Ellis, Y. F. Tignor, James Dunwoody, Reuben H. Luckey, David Crenshaw, John W. Talley, L. C. Peek, W. S. Baker, W. B. McHan, David Blalock, James Harris, R. H. Howren, S. G. Childs. 20.

Ques. 19. What preachers have died during the past year?

William M. Kennedy. 1.

WILLIAM MCCALL KENNEDY was born, in Bullock county, Ga., May 18, 1817, and died, in Jefferson county, Ga., July 27, 1873. Of his parentage, early life, and training, we know but little more than that he was the subject of religious impressions when but a small boy. When about fourteen years of age he united with the M. E. Church; when nineteen or twenty years of age, while at a manual-labor school, two hundred miles from home, and in the full enjoyment of religion, he felt called to the work of the ministry. In a conference

held with some of his friends on this subject he was led, from a remark made by some of them, to doubt whether he was really called to be a minister. Of this he said, in after years, "I do wish I had engaged in the performance of that duty." He left home, entered into business with a purpose to make money, grew cold, and finally backslid. He remained in this condition for about six years. In 1843 he was reclaimed, and appointed to the office of steward and class-leader in the Church. Coincident with the return of the love of God to his heart was the return of the conviction upon his mind that it was his duty to preach. Against this conviction he struggled for two years. In Dec., 1844, he was licensed to exhort, and in Oct., 1845, he was licensed to preach. Then came another struggle. He felt it to be his duty to enter the itinerant ministry: with this conviction he warred for two years, when he obtained his full consent to give himself wholly to the work of God. In Feb., 1848, he was admitted into the Florida Conference. His first appointment was Black Creek Circuit. He remained in that Conference, filling the various appointments assigned him—circuits, Districts, a station, and a college agency—with acceptability and usefulness, until the close of the year 1866, when he came to the South Georgia Conference with the retrocession of that part of Georgia which belonged to the Florida Conference prior to that time. From this time until his death he continued an acceptable and efficient member of the South Georgia Conference, filling with fidelity and zeal the various appointments assigned him. In his manner and spirit he was genial, kind, and sociable; in his Christian life he was sincere and constant; and in his ministerial life he was devoted, faithful, and useful. Without those shining talents which command the applause of men, he ranks high in that estimable class of devoted laborers through whose instrumentality, mainly, the Church is built up and the number of its converts is steadily increased. A goodly number of his spiritual children, doubtless, greeted his ransomed spirit as it entered heaven, while many still in the flesh follow on, animated with the hope of joining him at the end of the journey. There was not a member of the South Georgia Conference, at its last annual session, whose appearance authorized more confident hope of a long life than did that of Brother Kennedy. Robust and active, he gave promise of many remaining years of usefulness. At the last Conference he was appointed to the Louisville Circuit, to which he went, and upon which he entered, in the early part of the year, with good heart and hope. He labored until July, when he was attacked by pneumonia, and after ten days, calmly and without a struggle, he fell sweetly asleep in Jesus.

Ques. 20. Are all the preachers blameless in their life and official administration?
 Their names were called over, one by one, and their characters examined and passed.

Ques. 21. What is the number of local preachers and members in the several circuits, stations, and missions of the Conference?

Savannah District.

	White Mem's.	Col'd Mem's.	Loc'l Pr's.
Savannah:			
Trinity.....	520	.....	2
Wesley Church and Mission.....	258	.....	.....
Hineville.....	428	.....	9
Bryan Mission.....	54	.....	.....
Springfield.....	432	.....	3
Sylvania and Millen Mission.....	521	.....	5
Bethel.....	234	.....	1
Alexander.....	465	.....	2
Waynesboro.....	328	.....	.....
Bethany.....	375	.....	3
Louisville.....	367	.....	5
Sandersville.....	118	.....	.....
Davisboro.....	312	.....	2
Washington.....	310	.....	.....
Gibson.....	264	.....	1
Herndon Mission.....	60	.....	.....
	5046	.....	33

Macon District.

Macon:			
Mulberry Street and Vineville.....	373	.....	2
First Street.....	274	.....	1
East Macon and City Mission.....	187	.....	2
Macon Circuit.....	397	.....	2
Gordon.....	180	.....	2
Irwinton.....	331	.....	2
Jeffersonville.....	282	.....	2
Fort Valley and Marshallville.....	373	.....	5
Crawford.....	315	.....	5
Providence.....	141	.....	.....
Perry Station.....	142	.....	4
Wayneville.....	377	.....	5
Hawkinsville and Mission.....	76	.....	1
Cockran Mission.....	157	.....	1
Pulaski and Wilcox Mission.....	135	.....	1
	3740	.....	35

Columbus District.

Columbus:			
St. Luke's.....	529	.....	3
St. Paul's.....	244	.....	.....
Wesley Chapel.....	205	.....	.....
Girard, Trinity, and Asbury.....	354	.....	1
Cataula.....	272	.....	.....
Hamilton.....	274	.....	4
Talbotton.....	187	.....	4
Geneva.....	191	.....	4
Butler.....	411	.....	8
Buena Vista.....	450	.....	6
Glenalta and Mission.....	255	.....	2
Cusseta.....	390	.....	.....
Lumpkin.....	149	.....	2
Talbot Circuit.....	535	.....	1
	4446	.....	35

Americus District.

Americus.....	372	.....	4
Bethel.....	344	.....	5
Magnolia Springs.....	259	.....	3
Ellaville.....	300	.....	1
Smithville and Mission.....	270	.....	6
Oglethorpe.....	293	.....	2
Montezuma.....	116	.....	1
Vienna.....	535	.....	4
Dooly Mission.....	14	.....	.....
Worth Mission.....	109	.....	2
Dawson and Enterprise.....	280	.....	4
Weston.....	386	.....	1
Stewart.....	288	.....	2
Florence.....	172	.....	2
	3738	.....	37

Bainbridge District.

	White Mem's.	Col'd Mem's.	Loc'l Pr's.
Bainbridge Station.....	148	.....	.....
Decatur	300	.....	.....
Trinity.....	132	.....	.....
Spring Creek Mission.....	60	.....	1
Fort Gaines and Blakely.....	300	.....	5
Morgan.....	93	.....	1
Camilla.....	250	.....	2
Cairo.....	320	.....	4
Albany and Mission	106	.....	1
Cuthbert Station.....	200	.....	2
Springvale.....	259	.....	2
Terrell Circuit.....	464	.....	5
Georgetown, Midway, and St. Paul.....	120	.....	3
	2752	.....	26

Thomasville District.

Thomasville.....	200	.....	5
Spring Hill	124	.....	1
Groversville.....	347	.....	2
Quitman.....	113	.....	1
Morven	250	.....	1
Valdosta	125	.....	3
Lowndes and Echols Mission.....	217	.....	1
Jessup.....	220	.....	2
Blackshear and Junction.....	90	.....	1
Waresboro	540	.....	8
Waynesville.....	120	.....	1
Centre Village.....	186	.....	.....
St. Mary's	54	.....	.....
Brunswick and City Mission.....	154	.....	1
Darien and McIntosh.....	155	.....	.....
Stockton.....	66	.....	4
	2961	.....	31

Altamaha District.

Scarboro.....	179	.....	2
Dublin	145	.....	.....
Wrightsville.....	348	.....	4
Swainsboro.....	392	.....	6
Jacksonville.....	370	.....	2
Oconee	360	.....	2
Altamaha	310	.....	1
Reidsville.....	368	.....	1
Moultrie Mission.....	147	.....	6
Alapaha.....	225	.....	4
Ocmulgee	235	.....	.....
Holmesville	213	.....	2
Counterline.....	360	.....	3
	3652	.....	33

Recapitulation.

Savannah District.....	5046	.....	33
Macon	3740	.....	35
Columbus	4446	.....	35
Americus	3738	.....	37
Bainbridge	2752	.....	26
Thomasville	2961	.....	31
Altamaha	3652	.....	33
Total this year.....	26,335	.....	230
Total last year	26,077	.....	211
Increase.....	258	.....	19

Ques. 22. How many infants have been baptized during the year?
762.

Ques. 23. How many adults have been baptized during the year?
1522.

Ques. 24. What is the number of Sunday-schools?
278.

Ques. 25. What is the number of Sunday-school teachers?
1724.

Ques. 26. What is the number of Sunday-school scholars?
11,201.

Ques. 27. What amount is necessary for the superannuated preachers, and the widows and orphans of preachers?
\$9,000.

Ques. 28. What has been collected on the foregoing account, and how has it been applied? Collected, \$3,963 90. Paid to claimants.

Ques. 29. What has been contributed for missions?
\$6,218 70.

Ques. 30. Where shall the next session of the Conference be held?
At Savannah, Ga.

Ques. 31. Where are the preachers stationed this year?

SAVANNAH DISTRICT.

J. O. A. Clark, P. E.

Savannah:

Trinity, H. H. Parks.
Wesley Church and Mission, A. M. Wynn.
Springfield, N. D. Morehouse.
Sylvania, J. D. Maulden.
Millen Mission, R. W. Rogers.
Bethel, E. J. Burch.
Alexander, J. A. Rosser.
Waynesboro, G. S. Johnson.
Herndon Mission, W. E. Shackelford.
Bethany, T. B. Lanier.
Louisville, J. W. Glenn.
Sandersville, J. F. Mixon.
Washington and Davisboro, J. J. Boring, J. W. Domingos.
Gibson, J. E. Rorie.

MACON DISTRICT.

J. W. Hinton, P. E.

Macon:

Mulberry Street and Vineville, J. O. Branch.
East Macon and City Mission, Walker Lewis, J. W. Burke.
First Street, George G. N. McDonell.
Macon Circuit, C. J. Toole.
Irwinton, A. M. Williams.
Jeffersonville and Gordon, B. H. Sasnett, one to be supplied.
Fort Valley and Marshallville, F. A. Branch.
Crawford, W. W. Tidwell.
Perry, W. F. Robison.
Hayneville, W. M. D. Bond.
Hawkinsville and Longstreet, R. J. Corley.
Pulaski, W. H. Rogers.
Wilcox Mission, to be supplied (by R. M. Booth).
Emory College, O. L. Smith, President; I. S. Hopkins, Professor.
Wesleyan Female College, E. H. Myers, President; C. W. Smith, W. C. Bass, Professors.

COLUMBUS DISTRICT.

J. B. McGehee, P. E.

Columbus:

St. Luke's, J. S. Key.
 Girard and Trinity, J. W. Simmons.
 St. Paul's, A. Wright.
 Broad Street, R. W. Dixon.
 Cataula, S. D. Clements.
 Hamilton, D. R. McWilliams.
 Talbotton, W. Knox.
 Talbot Circuit, L. B. Payne, B. W. Key.
 Geneva, W. G. Booth.
 Butler, E. J. Rentz.
 Glenalta and Mission, C. C. Hines.
 Cusseta, R. F. Evans.
 Conference Missionary, L. Pierce.

AMERICUS DISTRICT.

N. B. Ousley, P. E.

Americus, T. T. Christian.
 Sumter, J. T. Ainsworth, Geo. C. Thompson.
 Ellaville, W. Lane, R. F. Williamson, Sup.
 Smithville, B. H. Lester.
 Oglethorpe, J. B. Wardlaw.
 Montezuma, to be supplied (by H. R. Felder).
 Vienna and Dooly Mission, G. G. Embry, E. I. Smith.
 Cuthbert, B. F. Breedlove.
 Weston, R. L. Wiggins, one to be supplied.
 Stewart, J. M. Potter.
 Buena Vista, W. W. Stewart.
 Lumpkin, A. J. Dean.
 South Georgia Orphans' Home, Samuel Anthony, Agent.

DAWSON DISTRICT.

R. B. Lester, P. E.

Dawson, George C. Clarke.
 Terrell and Morgan, J. R. Littlejohn, W. F. Bearden.
 Fort Gaines and Blakely, W. M. Hayes.
 Arlington, P. C. Harris.
 Spring Creek Mission, to be supplied (by J. B. McCullough).
 Bainbridge, R. L. Honiker.
 Trinity, J. W. Weston.
 Decatur, T. K. Leonard.
 Cairo, J. J. Giles.
 Camilla and Newton, P. S. Twitty.

Albany and Mission, H. P. Myers.
 Leesburg, to be supplied (by W. M. Russell).
 Worth Mission, S. N. Tucker.
 Georgetown, L. G. R. Wiggins.
 Springvale, S. R. Weaver.

THOMASVILLE DISTRICT.

J. M. Austin, P. E.

Thomasville, E. A. H. McGehee.
 Boston, W. M. Watts.
 Spring Hill, P. H. Crumpler.
 Quitman, S. S. Sweet.
 Morven, J. E. Sentell.
 Moultrie, C. E. Boland.
 Valdosta, J. P. Wardlaw.
 Lowndes and Echols Mission, A. P. Wright.
 Nashville, L. A. Darsey.
 Stockton Mission, W. H. Thomas.
 Waresboro, J. B. Culpepper.
 Jessup, J. L. Williams.
 Blackshear and Waycross, H. W. Key.
 Centre Village, to be supplied (by S. S. Moore).
 St. Mary's, W. A. Green.
 Camden, T. S. Armistead.
 Brunswick and Mission, J. O. A. Cook.
 Darien, R. M. Lockwood.
 Hinesville and Mission, J. M. Marshall.
 Bryan Mission, W. M. C. Conley.

ALTAMAHA DISTRICT.

J. V. M. Morris, P. E.

Scarboro, J. J. Morgan.
 Dublin, J. S. Jordan.
 Wrightsville, D. O'Driscoll.
 Eastman Mission, D. G. Pope.
 Swainsboro, to be supplied (by J. R. Ware).
 Conuchee Mission, W. J. Flanders.
 Jacksonville, W. F. Conley.
 Oconee, H. C. Fentress.
 Reidsville, J. Spence.
 Holmesville, I. F. Carey.
 Ocmulgee, W. F. Roberts.
 South Coffee Mission, to be supplied.

G. J. Pearce, G. W. Hardaway, G. R. Kramer, W. K. McMichael, and James Jones, transferred to the North Georgia Conference.
 J. F. Henderson transferred to the Arkansas Conference.

9.—FLORIDA CONFERENCE.

HELD AT JACKSONVILLE, FLA., *January 7-11, 1874.*

BISHOP PIERCE, *President*; FREDERIC PASCO, *Secretary.*

QUESTION 1. Who are admitted on trial?
ANSWER. Joseph E. A. Van Duzer, Robert Martin, William H. F. Robarts, Andrew A. Barnett, James D. McDonnell, Samuel D. Robinson, McKendree F. McCook, Thomas J. Phillips. 8.

Ques. 2. Who remain on trial?
Junius S. Collier, Julius D. Rogers, D. W. Core. 3.

Ques. 3. Who are discontinued?
None.

Ques. 4. Who are admitted into full connection?
Robert M. Ellzey, Henry E. Partridge. 2.

Ques. 5. Who are readmitted?
None.

Ques. 6. Who are received by transfer from other Conferences?
J. P. Fitzpatrick, R. H. Houren, William F. Lewis. 3.

Ques. 7. Who are the deacons of one year?
None.

Ques. 8. What traveling preachers are elected deacons?
Robert M. Ellzey. 1.

Ques. 9. What traveling preachers are ordained deacons?
Robert M. Ellzey. 1.

Ques. 10. What local preachers are elected deacons?
Benjamin R. Bryan. 1.

Ques. 11. What local preachers are ordained deacons?
Benjamin R. Bryan, E. Glazier. 2.

Ques. 12. What traveling preachers are elected elders?
Robert H. Barnett, Henry E. Partridge. 2.

Ques. 13. What traveling preachers are ordained elders?
Robert H. Barnett, Henry E. Partridge. 2.

Ques. 14. What local preachers are elected elders?
Willis P. O'Kane, J. S. Kilgore. 2.

Ques. 15. What local preachers are ordained elders?
J. S. Kilgore. 1.

Ques. 16. Who are located this year?
None.

Ques. 17. Who are supernumerary?
S. W. Carson. 1.

Ques. 18. Who are superannuated?
G. W. Fagg, J. M. Stokes, A. Johnson, Jas. A. Wiggin, J. Penny, W. E. Collier, S. Gardner. 7.

Ques. 19. What preachers have died during the past year?
None.

Ques. 20. Are all the preachers blameless in their life and official administration?
Their names were called over, one by one, and their characters examined and passed.

Ques. 21. What is the number of local preachers and members in the several circuits, stations, and missions of the Conference?

Tallahassee District.

	White Mem's.	Col'd Mem's.	Loc'l Pr's.
Tallahassee.....	145	.....	.....
Leon Circuit.....	138	.....	.....
Crawfordville Circuit.....	300	.....	3
Liberty Circuit.....	240	9	2
Quincy and Gadsden	185	.....	1
Little River Circuit.....	217	.....	2
Monticello.....	127	.....	.....
Madison Circuit.....	347	.....	.....
Waukeelah Circuit.....	240	.....	4
Union Circuit.....	251	.....	3
Taylor and La Fayette.....	227	.....	3
Appalachicola.....	108	.....	3
	2525	9	21

Jacksonville District.

Jacksonville:			
First Charge and St. John's River..	325	.....	4
Second Charge	32	.....	1
Lake Butler Circuit	138	.....	5
Columbia Circuit	535	.....	4
Lake City.....	131	.....	1
Live Oak Circuit	175	.....	10
Welborn Circuit.....	216	.....	3
Hamilton Circuit.....	263	.....	3
Micanopy Circuit.....	426	.....	4
Bronson Circuit	215	.....	1
Mellonville	30	.....	1
Middleburg Circuit.....	150	.....	1
Nassau Circuit.....	127	.....	.....
Fernandina.....	50	.....	1
Newnansville Circuit	139	.....	.....
	2952	.....	39

Tampa District.

	White Mem's	Col'd Mem's	Loc'l Pr's.
Key West:			
First Charge.....	143	.....	.....
Spark's Chapel.....	123	.....	.....
Tampa.....	53	.....	1
Manatee.....	54	.....	4
Alafia.....	185	.....	5
Bartow.....	149	.....	2
Pease Creek.....	90	.....	.....
Fort Myers.....	12	.....	1
Clear Water.....	196	11	1
Brooksville.....	176	.....	3
Orange.....	121	.....	.....
Sumter.....	237	.....	2
Ocala.....	152	.....	1
	1690	11	20

Recapitulation.

Tallahassee District.....	2525	9	21
Jacksonville ".....	2952	.....	39
Tampa ".....	1690	11	20
Total this year.....	7167	20	80
Total last year.....	6939	.....	80
Increase.....	228	20	

Ques. 22. How many infants have been baptized during the year?
392.

Ques. 23. How many adults have been baptized during the year?
298.

Ques. 24. What is the number of Sunday-schools?
95.

Ques. 25. What is the number of Sunday-school teachers?
513.

Ques. 26. What is the number of Sunday-school scholars?
3008.

Ques. 27. What amount is necessary for the superannuated preachers, and the widows and orphans of preachers?
\$2,994.

Ques. 28. What has been collected on the foregoing account, and how has it been applied?
Collected, \$927 96. Distributed among the claimants.

Ques. 29. What has been contributed for missions?
\$1,040 80.

Ques. 30. Where shall the next session of the Conference be held?
At Live Oak, Fla.

Ques. 31. Where are the preachers stationed this year?

TALLAHASSEE DISTRICT.

S. Woodberry, P. E.

Tallahassee, Josephus Anderson.
Leon Circuit, R. H. Houren.

Crawfordville Circuit, R. Martin.
Quincy, H. E. Partridge.
Gadsden and Liberty Circuit, E. S. Tyner, A. A. Barnett.
Little River Circuit, J. M. Bridges.
Monticello, E. L. T. Blake.
Waukeenah Circuit, W. Williams.
Union Circuit, D. W. Core.
Aucilla Circuit, to be supplied (by W. Hampton).
Appalachicola Station, S. D. Robinson.

LIVE OAK DISTRICT.

A. A. Robinson, P. E.

Live Oak and Ellaville, W. F. Lewis.
Welborn Circuit, E. J. Knight.
Hamilton, to be supplied (by J. M. Hendry).
Lake City, J. P. De Pass.
Columbia Circuit, S. E. Phillips.
Newnansville Circuit, J. Munden.
Bronson Circuit, R. M. Ellzey.
Madison Circuit, T. J. Phillips.
Taylor Mission, to be supplied (by R. M. Hendry).
La Fayette, to be supplied.
Suwannee, to be supplied.
Benton, to be supplied.

JACKSONVILLE DISTRICT.

T. W. Moore, P. E.

Jacksonville:
 First Charge, J. B. Fitzpatrick.
 Second Charge, F. Pasco.
Palatka and Green Cove, T. W. Tomkies.
Mellonville, R. H. Barnett.
Nassau, W. Davies.
Fernandina, W. R. Johnson.
Dunn's Lake, J. S. Collier.
Cedar Keys, to be supplied (by S. Davenport).
Waldo, O. Eady.
Middleburg, to be supplied.
Micanopy and Gainesville, J. C. Ley.
Key West:
 First Charge, C. A. Fullwood.
 Spark's Chapel, G. Bright.
 Cuban Mission, J. E. A. Van Duzer.
Lake Butler, T. R. Barnett.

TAMPA DISTRICT.

J. J. Scally, P. E.

Tampa, E. F. Gates.
Manatee, M. F. McCook.
Alafia, E. H. Giles.
Bartow, W. C. Jordan, S. W. Carson, Sup.
Pease Creek, W. H. F. Roberts.
Fort Myers, to be supplied (by J. Bullock).
Fort Ogden, to be supplied (by W. P. McEwen).
Clear Water, to be supplied.
Brooksville, J. D. Rogers.
Sumter, S. A. McCook.
Orange, J. D. McDonald.
Ocala, G. C. Leavel.
Ocklawaha, C. D. Nicholson.

10.—ALABAMA CONFERENCE.

HELD AT SELMA, ALA., *December 3-9, 1873.*BISHOP MARVIN, *President*; ROBERT B. CRAWFORD, *Secretary*.

- QUESTION 1.** Who are admitted on trial?
ANSWER. Preston G. Nash, Leander C. Calhoun, G. Waverly Briggs, William A. Rice, Isaac F. Belbro, John A. Green, Wade H. Weatherby, Thomas Y. Abernathy, Joshua Soule Peary. 9.
- Ques. 2.** Who remain on trial?
 Joseph H. James, John S. Frazer, James O. Andrew, Asbury C. Hundley, R. A. Miears, Philip H. Lightfoot, Charles R. Williamson, Thomas W. Dyer, Emmett W. Solomon, James L. Matherson, Archibald M. L. Douglas, Philip H. Moss. 12.
- Ques. 3.** Who are discontinued?
 Joseph A. Spear, at his own request. 1.
- Ques. 4.** Who are admitted into full connection?
 George Bancroft, David C. Standley, William S. Wade, Thomas C. M. Golland, John A. Peterson. 5.
- Ques. 5.** Who are readmitted?
 None.
- Ques. 6.** Who are received by transfer from other Conferences?
 J. Hamilton, B. B. Ross, J. T. Curry, B. G. Blackwell, J. B. Cottrell. 6.
- Ques. 7.** Who are the deacons of one year?
 Peyton B. Saffold, John M. Brown, James M. Mason. 3.
- Ques. 8.** What traveling preachers are elected deacons?
 John A. Peterson, William S. Wade, Joseph H. James, James O. Andrew, Thomas W. Dyer. 5.
- Ques. 9.** What traveling preachers are ordained deacons?
 John A. Peterson, William S. Wade, Joseph H. James, James O. Andrew, Thomas W. Dyer. 5.
- Ques. 10.** What local preachers are elected deacons?
 David M. Rush, Wilson Nabors, William M. Boswell, Lawrence Baker, William M. Pritchett, Leonidas B. Cohren. 6.
- Ques. 11.** What local preachers are ordained deacons?
 David M. Rush, Franklin Jeter, Leonidas B. Cohren. 3.
- Ques. 12.** What traveling preachers are elected elders?
 Jere. S. Williams, Isaac Z. T. Morris, Chas. B. Dubose. 3.
- Ques. 13.** What traveling preachers are ordained elders?
 Jere. S. Williams, Isaac Z. T. Morris, Chas. B. Dubose. 3.
- Ques. 14.** What local preachers are elected elders?
 William Stith Hardy, John A. Green, Dunstan M. Banks, Clarence L. McCartha, James W. Crossly, A. B. Middlebrooks, Francis A. Liles. 7.
- Ques. 15.** What local preachers are ordained elders?
 Edward Robinson, Francis A. Liles. 2.
- Ques. 16.** Who are located this year?
 Thos. K. Armstrong, at his own request. 1.
- Ques. 17.** Who are supernumerary?
 Jordan A. Wethers, John H. Lockhart, William H. Morris, George F. Ellis. 4.
- Ques. 18.** Who are superannuated?
 Isaac Spangler, T. S. Abernathy, H. J. Hunter, W. B. Adams, W. C. Robinson, Z. Dowling, E. W. Storey, J. T. Talley, J. W. Jordon, I. I. Tatum, W. Murrah, J. T. Roper, J. A. Spence, Charles Strider, F. L. B. Shaver, E. V. Levert. 16.
- Ques. 19.** What preachers have died during the past year?
 James L. Cotten, Greenberry Garrett, George R. Talley, John J. Cassidy, Stephen F. Pillely. 5.
- JAMES L. COTTEN** was born, in Edgecomb county, N. C., June 1, 1817. In early life he was remarkable for the simplicity, truthfulness, and purity of his character. His sensibilities were tender, his feelings ardent, and his affections strong. His home-life was beautiful, and he filled a warm place in the hearts of those who knew him best. As he advanced in years, and opportunities were afforded him for intellectual culture, he developed rapidly. His memory was retentive, his judgment clear, and his faculties, even in the spring-time of his existence, gave promise of a manhood of no ordinary type. He became a complete English scholar, mastered with great rapidity the rudiments of classical literature, and if liberal aca

demic facilities had been granted him he would have distinguished himself in almost every species of learning. He was converted when quite a young man. From this time forward our departed friend was "a new creature; old things had passed away, and all things had become new," and there opened around him a new world. Heaven and earth were filled with a beauty which his eye had not seen before, and his sensitive ear heard ravishing strains of sweet and holy melodies; he saw fully, for the first time, his destiny as an immortal being—Christian faith opened its eyes, heavenly peace flooded his heart, all the resources of religious life poured their treasures at his feet, while the hope of eternal salvation shed its brightness upon his spirit and permeated his heart by its sacred warmth. He did not long enjoy the blessings of the new and everlasting covenant without an earnest and irrepressible desire to bring others into the "liberty wherewith Christ had made him free." A dispensation of the gospel of Christ was committed to him, and soon he felt "woe is me if I preach not the gospel." When the divine call fell upon his ear, from the depth of a consecrated soul came forth the response, "Speak, Lord, for thy servant heareth." Henceforward he conferred not with flesh and blood. He gave himself to God for the work of the itinerant ministry, and entered the Alabama Conference in the year 1845. From that period to the time of his death he passed up through all the grades of circuit and station-preacher to the rank of Presiding Elder, which responsible and important office he filled from 1864 to the last year of his life. He was married to Miss Lucy Curtis, of Cahaba, Ala., in 1852. Their union was a fortunate and happy one. Sister Cotten, who preceded her husband to the "rest that remaineth to the people of God" by more than twelve years, was indeed a "helpmeet" to the man of her heart. She was a crown of grace to his head, and her influence was shed forth as warm sunbeams through his home and his life. In the domestic circle Dr. Cotten was a model husband and father. Love was the law of his house, and kindness had utterance in every word of his mouth. He was careful and discreet in his expenditures, he and his family always living within his income as a Methodist preacher; no useless extravagance or unredeemed financial pledge ever clouded his character or blighted his ministry. He ever left behind him, as he went to new fields of labor, the light of a pure example and the aroma of a sanctified heart. As a man of intellect and learning the deceased had few superiors in either his native or adopted State. He "intermeddled with all wisdom," and grappled with the representative men of his age, in his efforts to apprehend and unfold the unsolved problems in the great realm of mind. His knowledge of the past and present was accurate; in drawing new conclusions from the *data* which this information furnished his logic was severe, his analysis complete, and his conclusions clear and palpable even to ordinary minds. In his per-

ration, his argument having been finished, as he turned loose his imperial imagination his auditors were borne aloft upon its broad, bright wings to visions and hopes that were enchanting to the soul. On such occasions the Christian philosopher forgot himself in his theme, and his hearers, for the moment, lost sight of the fact that they were denizens of our own dark little world. As a preacher Dr. Cotten had few superiors in the Church of his choice, while in this Conference he had for years been without a peer. Besides the scope and power of his mind, which so admirably fitted him for the discussion of the great cardinal truths of our holy and blessed religion, he possessed a wealth of diction and a poetic felicity of expression that were marvelous. On great occasions, when the thousands of our Israel were gathered around him at the quarterly and camp-meetings, in the midst of his inimitable discourses his glowing sentences would take fire and burn at white heat; the speaker would stand transfigured before his brethren, while they would alternately lean forward transported with joy and hope or sink back into their seats pale and transfixed with fear. The majesty and glory of God, the condescension and infinite compassion of our Lord Jesus Christ, the light and grandeur of heaven, and the blackness and horrors of hell, have rarely ever been more impressive and overwhelming than in the discourses of Dr. Cotten. The purely biblical element in his sermons was always large. He preached "the word" and proclaimed it "in demonstration of the Spirit." He never burnt "strange fire upon the Lord's altar," and ever strove to give to each of his hearers "his portion in due season." Our brother had his weaknesses—he was a man; but even these appeared to have their origin in the richness of his endowments and the fecundity of his genius. His powers of concentration and abstraction, which brought to his aid in moments of excitement the intellectual stores of almost his entire life, rendered him seemingly careless and absent-minded, and his exalted appreciation of the immortal spirit within caused him to

Be forgetful of his house of clay,
And treat the hovel as beneath his care.

On the whole, we shall never see the like of our ascended brother until we come "to the house not made with hands, eternal in the heavens." Emory College, Georgia, which conferred upon him the degree of Doctor of Divinity, honored itself in placing upon him its seal. It was an honor to us that his name was upon our Conference-roll, and it is an honor to the State of his adoption that his precious dust sleeps within her soil. At the close of our last Conference, held in the city of Eufaula, Dr. Cotten was stationed at Union Springs. He went at once to his work, and, by his piety, ability, and zeal, he soon drew around him the confidence and affection of his people, and secured for himself the admiration of the eager multitude who crowded to their seats in his congregation. In

the midst of his usefulness, while his bow was still abiding in strength, and his people were turning their eyes above in eager expectation of the outpouring of the Holy Ghost upon his labors and the revival of the work of God, Dr. Cotten was called away on business. While at Durant, Miss., he met the Rev. G. W. Brown, an old and esteemed friend. The reünion called up the recollection of the past and caused the Christian soldier, now about to lay down his weapons forever, to look forward to the future. He had known temptations and trials; late trials had tested the genuineness of his faith and sent its roots deeper down into the truth as it is in Jesus, but in every trial deliverance had come, and the ripe Christian was ready to be gathered into the heavenly garner. He spoke of his preparation to depart and be with Christ. With these words of triumph upon his lips the shafts of disease pierced his mortal frame. His illness at once became alarming, and the premonition that his time had come seized his mind. As long as he could arise from his couch he knelt down for secret prayer at the usual hours. Until the fires of life and consciousness were quenched in the cold waters of disease and death not a cloud rested upon his spirit. New friends ministered to him in his last hours, and the hands of strangers wiped the dew of death from his brow and closed his eyes upon the light of this world forever. But Cotten, the pure, the great, the gifted Cotten, "is not dead, but sleepeth." And when we get home, shall we not find him in the glory of his manhood, a radiant spirit in the kingdom prepared for the children of God?

GREENBERRY GARRETT was born, in Williamson county, Tenn., July 24, 1800; converted to God Dec. 10, 1821; licensed to preach in 1822, and in the same year joined the Tennessee Conference. The first eleven years of his ministerial life he spent in the Tennessee Conference, and three of those years were employed in mission-work among the Cherokee Indians in North-eastern Alabama. In 1833 he was transferred to Alabama, and was one of the small company that composed this body at its organization. It will be seen, from these early dates, that our brother entered the itineracy while yet the times and work tried men's souls. At the organization of this Conference much of the country was new and thinly settled, the Church scattered and comparatively unorganized, the work hard, and the compensation of the laborers small; so that while serving the Church, in Montgomery, he was obliged to have recourse to secular business to secure bread for his family. The people of this day owe an immeasurable debt to the men who stood by their convictions and principles through these days of hardships. When he served the Mobile District, 1839-42, it extended from Selma to Mobile and Pensacola. Over this field our brother traveled on horseback; indeed, there is hardly any portion of the State which he has not traversed in the same

way, patiently toiling through heat and cold, miry and sandy roads, to carry the message of salvation to perishing men. Many now in middle life, and others verging upon old age, have recollections of his visits and prayers mingling with the memories of early childhood. Brother Garrett was not only a faithful but a *true* man; he was not content with mere routine work, but looked for open doors for doing good, and wherever he saw one he entered it. He and another brother started the idea of a centennial celebration and services, in this Conference; in 1839 wrote a communication to the Church-paper, and sent circulars to the leading members of the Conference, calling the convention that met in Greensboro in July of that year, and which devised and adopted the programme which raised the funds that established the Centenary Institute, which has so widely blessed the Church for more than thirty years, and laid the real foundation for the Preachers' Aid Society, which has distributed thousands of dollars in donations to needy brethren. Thus he left the impress of his zeal and labors upon the institutions of the Conference. Over the Centenary Institute Brother Garrett watched for more than thirty years, as a trustee, with the interest of a father for his offspring; and though he enjoyed few opportunities for early improvement, he had none of those prejudices that bar the way of so many to progress and improvement. *Principle* he would never yield, but methods and measures willingly, when shown those better than his own. New financial plans, Ministerial Education Society, and every other measure calculated to advance the interests and usefulness of the Conference and Church, found in him a ready and hearty supporter. Our brother was not a *great* but a *good* man and true; he had none of the arts or resources of the orator, but he had what is far better—sterling integrity and fidelity to principle and conviction. His preaching was simple, earnest, spiritual, and scriptural; full of gospel truth and Christian experience, it comforted saints and often awakened sinners, and believers grew in grace under his ministrations. The Church in Alabama never had a truer son in her household than Greenberry Garrett. His brethren knew this, and loved, trusted, and honored him. He was elected to, and stood by principle in, the General Conference of 1844; he was also a member of the convention that organized the Church in 1845, and in the General Conferences of 1846, 1850, and 1854. From increasing infirmities Brother Garrett took a superannuated relation in 1865; but this did not cause his interest in the institutions and welfare of the Church to abate—all its operations were still dear to his heart and watched with interest. He continued to preach as often as he had opportunity and strength to do so. The prayer-meeting, Sunday-school, and class-meeting were met punctually by him whenever he was able to walk to them. He suffered much and patiently for several of the last years of his life; in these years his increasing spirituality and

the mellowing, beautifying power of grace were very manifest to all his friends who were conversant with him. His views of the atonement were clear, his apprehension of faith scriptural, and both came graciously to his aid and comfort in his hours of need, sustaining his spirit and confidence to the last. Though he could talk but little during his last illness, yet his few utterances were all that could be desired. In response to the question if he felt peace, he replied, "Peace—all is well;" and in reply to the inquiry, another time, if he felt the Saviour precious, he answered, "Yes; precious, precious." In this faith, so often preached and so long enjoyed, he was steadfast unto the end—March 20, 1873. Thus died our brother, a faithful man. "Servant of God, well done." In the ripeness of faith and of Christian experience he passed away.

GEORGE R. TALLEY was born, in Tennessee, March 12, 1818, and died, near Plantersville, Ala., Aug. 2, 1873. He experienced the blessing of regeneration at Lexington, N. C., in Oct., 1832, and was admitted on trial into the itinerating ministry of the South Carolina Conference in Jan., 1837. On Jan. 13, 1839, he was ordained a deacon by the venerated and glorified Bishop Andrew, and on Feb. 14, 1841, was by the same Bishop ordained to the higher office of an elder. In Dec., 1853, he was admitted by transfer into the Alabama Conference, and stationed as pastor of the church in the town of Auburn. It is said of him that he never had a doubt touching his call to the sacred ministry; and, indeed, so clear and strong were his convictions in this regard that he felt, with peculiar impressiveness, "Woe is me if I preach not the gospel." So impelled was our departed brother by this internal conviction that his life-work was to call sinners to repentance that he was ever at the post of duty, and even amid physical indisposition and suffering has been known to reach the appointed place for preaching the gospel of his ascended Master. For several months previous to the death of our brother his health failed rapidly, but he often spoke of the great goodness of God to him, and gave unmistakable expressions of entire resignation to the divine will. His consolation so abounded in the hour of his death that all fear and gloom were banished from his mind, and as the waters of life's last river were being reached by his advancing footsteps his mouth was filled with expressions of sacred joy, and, with a voice rendered feeble by wasting disease, he sang Mr. Wesley's sublime and glorious hymn, "Jesus, lover of my soul." Said his now stricken widow, "When his bark was far out on death's river I asked him if he could yet trust the Saviour, and if all was yet bright with him. 'O yes, O yes,' was his reply; 'yea, though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I will fear no evil: thy rod and thy staff they comfort me.'" Thus died the faithful preacher, the affectionate father, the devoted husband. He rests with God.

JOHN J. CASSADY was born, in Chesterfield District, S. C., Nov. 6, 1827, and died Oct. 26, 1873. He was in infancy dedicated to God in baptism, and joined the M. E. Church in 1840, and, after having served as class-leader and exhorter, was in 1856 licensed to preach the gospel. In the winter of 1858 he was received into the Alabama Conference, continuing his connection with it five years, and then retiring to the local ministry to attend to the demands of his deceased father's estate. While in the local ranks of the ministry our brother did not forget that the vows of God were upon him, but exercised the functions of his sacred office with fidelity. He was readmitted into the Conference Dec., 1870, and appointed to serve Greenwood Circuit, Florida; and, without specifying the several fields of labor to which this true yoke-fellow in the gospel was appointed, we may truly say of him he was ever found faithful to the work assigned him. Notwithstanding the opportunities for early literary culture were in his case meager, yet he served his pastoral charges with great acceptability, and not unfrequently his pulpit ministrations evinced much more than ordinary ability. Many souls were converted to God through his instrumentality, and many stars will doubtless shine upon his crown of rejoicing. At the session of last Conference our sainted brother was appointed to labor on the Choctaw Corner Circuit, and though too feeble to preach from the pulpit the word of life, he, however, made an entire round upon his charge, obeying the command of the Master as far as his failing strength would permit. Disease was, however, making such severe and fatal inroads upon him that he was soon compelled to desist from the work he loved so much, and return to his home to die. For the space of eleven months our glorified brother was the subject of severe physical suffering, but through this protracted season the grace which he had preached to others was his support and consolation. No sound of murmuring ever escaped his lips, and such was the sweetness of the repose of his spirit upon the Saviour that he could say, in the language of his adorable Lord, "Not my will, but thine, be done." Thus he fell asleep in Jesus, and now rests from labor, pain, and sorrow.

STEPHEN FATHERLY PILLEY was born, in Edgecomb county, N. C., July 4, 1805; was converted and joined the M. E. Church in 1833, and was married the same year to Miss S. B. Graham. He was licensed to exhort March 14, 1834, and to preach March 14, 1835, and at the close of that year was received on trial into the Alabama Annual Conference. In the due course of time he attained to the orders of deacon and elder, and during his connection with the Conference served the Church as follows: 1836 Leaf River Circuit, 1837 Cedar Creek, 1838-9 Bellville, 1840 Escambia Mission, 1841 Presiding Elder on Pensacola District, 1842 Irwinton (now Enfaula) Station, 1843 Irwinton and Glennville, 1844 Montgomery

Station, 1845-7 he was superannuated, 1848-9 La Fayette Circuit, 1850 Auburn Station, 1851-2 again superannuated, 1853-6 Presiding Elder on the Eufaula District, 1857-8 Enon Circuit, 1859 Villula, 1860-1 Presiding Elder on the Pensacola District, 1862-7 superannuated, 1868-9 South Butler Circuit, 1870-1 again superannuated, 1872 Monroeville Circuit, 1873 South Butler. In the foregoing we have but the facts of his conversion, and entrance upon his holy vocation, and the mere outlines of the numerous and extensive fields in which he rendered ministerial service; but it is proper to enter, to some extent, upon a fuller notice of his religious and official character. Brother Pilley had a nature cast in the finest mold, and the sanctifying effects of the Christian religion were consummated in his disposition and character. He was regardful of all the amenities of ministerial life, ever deferring to the authority that was over him, and scrupulously observant of what was just and generous in his relations with his peers. In honor he preferred others; never was he an aspirant for place or position, nor was self-seeking ever suspected of him. No one ever grew old more gracefully or yielded more humbly and sweetly to the inevitable limitations and abatements incident to infirmity and age. By the ingenuous simplicity of his manners, as much as by his fine intelligence and his judicious judgment, he became a favorite with all who knew him intimately. Unobtrusive and modest, others had to seek him, but he was accessible to the humblest. He had fully mastered the Wesleyan theology, and in conversation on the salient points was most instructive and interesting. As a preacher he was clear, cogent, and convincing. His style was all his own, and it was well-nigh faultless. He was no actor; he did not affect sanctimony, and yet was so impulsively and ingenuously holy that in his presence men were constrained to do homage to the truth he embodied and illustrated. Despite extreme feebleness he performed the duties of a pastor with great fidelity and assiduity, even until stricken down with his last illness, which was characterized by great painfulness, disqualifying him for several days for intelligent converse with his family; but it is gratifying to know that his last distinct utterances were in earnest, fervent prayer for his Church, for his family, for his country. O he was a dear, dear old man! The love we bore him in life was ardent, and now that we are to greet him on earth no more fills us with sorrow; but it is joy to know that we have yielded him up to a higher realization of the truths which absorbed him here, and that peace, and rest, and glory now are his. Tearfully do we acknowledge the goodness and mercy of God in vouchsafing to us for so long a time one whose qualities of head and heart were so enriching to the brotherhood. His name will ever be "as ointment poured forth," and the halo of his exemplary life an abiding and treasured memory. His death occurred Nov. 22, 1873.

Ques. 20. Are all the preachers blameless in their life and official administration?

Their names were called over, one by one, and their characters examined and passed.

Ques. 21. What is the number of local preachers and members in the several circuits, stations, and missions of the Conference?

Mobile District.

	White Mem's.	Col'd Mem's.	Loc'l Pr's.
Mobile:			
Franklin Street.....	340	.....	.....
St. Francis Street.....	278	.....	2
Eastern Shore.....	17	1	.....
Mobile City Mission.....	5	.....	.....
St. Paul's.....	262	.....	1
Grand Bay Mission.....	124	.....	1
Whistler Station.....	160	.....	1
Citronelle Circuit.....	169	5	1
St. Stephen's and Wash. Mission.....	284	.....	1
Pensacola and Bay Mission.....	87	.....	.....
Navy Yard and Perdido Mission.....	21	.....	1
Milton Station.....	102	.....	2
Black Water Mission.....	239	.....	1
Yellow River Mission (no report).....	.....	.....	.....
Pollard Circuit.....	206	.....	4
Mount Pleasant Circuit.....	196	.....	3
	2490	6	18

Demopolis District.

Demopolis Station.....	97	.....	.....
Livingston Station.....	74	.....	1
Belmont Circuit.....	130	.....	1
Gaston Circuit.....	405	.....	1
Cuba Circuit.....	172	.....	3
Butler Circuit.....	573	.....	3
Oktuppa Mission.....	.....	.....	.....
Bladen Springs.....	463	.....	3
Forkland Circuit.....	84	.....	.....
Gainesville Circuit.....	132	.....	.....
Greene Circuit.....	300	.....	2
Eutaw Circuit.....	71	.....	1
	2501	.....	15

Selma District.

Selma Station.....	348	.....	.....
East Selma and Benton Mission.....	87	.....	1
Uniontown Station.....	110	.....	.....
Dayton and Spring Hill.....	173	.....	1
Jefferson and Linden Mission.....	68	.....	1
Orrville Circuit.....	174	.....	.....
Rembert Hills Circuit.....	320	.....	1
Choctaw Corner Circuit.....	385	.....	4
Lower Peach-tree.....	303	.....	1
Suggsville Circuit.....	162	.....	.....
Jackson Circuit.....	283	.....	2
Coffeeville Mission.....	91	11	.....
Summerfield Station.....	150	.....	3
	2654	11	14

Greensboro District.

Greensboro Station.....	216	.....	21
Newbern Circuit.....	148	.....	.....
Marion Station.....	137	.....	.....
Havana Circuit.....	442	.....	2
Brush Creek.....	434	.....	3
Autaugaville and Ivy Creek.....	240	.....	.....
Autauga and Baker Mission.....	362	3	1
Plantersville Circuit.....	254	.....	1
Prattville Station.....	180	.....	.....
Randolph Circuit.....	240	.....	1
Perryville Circuit.....	125	.....	.....
Pinetucky Mission.....	119	.....	.....
	2897	3	29

Montgomery District.

	White Mem's.	Col'd Mem's.	Loc'l Pr's.
Montgomery:			
Montgomery Station.....	421	.....	.....
Herron Street Station.....	90	.....	1
Loachapoka and Mount Meigs.....	96	.....	.....
Tuskegee Station.....	300	.....	5
Tuskegee Circuit.....	405	.....	3
Tallassee Mission.....	93	.....	.....
Elmore Circuit.....	637	.....	5
Notasulga Circuit.....	443	.....	7
Opelika Station.....	406	.....	6
Salem Circuit.....	554	.....	2
Crawford Circuit.....	416	.....	2
Auburn Station.....	237	.....	1
Hurtville and Silver Run.....	284	.....	2
Wetumpka Station.....	78	.....	1
	4460	.....	35

Recapitulation.

	White Mem's.	Col'd Mem's.	Loc'l Pr's.
Mobile District.....	2490	6	18
Demopolis ".....	2501	.....	15
Selma ".....	2654	11	14
Greensboro ".....	2897	3	29
Montgomery ".....	4460	.....	35
Eufaula ".....	2636	25	20
Marianna ".....	3409	35	31
Camden ".....	2765	16	27
Union Springs ".....	3939	8	27
Total this year.....	27,751	104	216
Total last year.....	26,082	252	228
Increase.....	1,669		
Decrease.....		148	12

Eufaula District.

Eufaula Station.....	175	.....	3
Glennville Station.....	85	.....	2
Villula Circuit.....	258	.....	1
Beulah Circuit.....	115	.....	2
Enon and Midway.....	233	.....	2
Perote Circuit.....	400	.....	3
Pea River Mission.....	112	.....	.....
Clayton and Louisville.....	250	.....	3
Henry Circuit.....	438	25	4
White Pond Circuit.....	570	.....	1
	2636	25	20

Marianna District.

Marianna Circuit.....	60	.....	.....
Greenwood Circuit.....	264	.....	2
Holmes's Valley Circuit.....	283	2	3
Calhoun Mission.....	150	1	3
Columbia Circuit.....	189	.....	4
Newton Circuit.....	1080	.....	5
Geneva Circuit.....	190	25	7
Big Creek Circuit.....	405	6	3
Cerro Gordo Mission.....	132	1	1
Ozark Circuit.....	656	.....	3
	3409	35	31

Camden District.

Camden Circuit.....	266	.....	4
Black's Bend Circuit.....	244	.....	3
Pineville Circuit.....	84	.....	.....
Snow Hill Circuit.....	256	.....	.....
Farmersville Circuit.....	213	.....	2
Lowndesboro, H., and Union.....	100	.....	.....
Sepulga Circuit.....	710	.....	9
South Butler Circuit.....	334	.....	3
Monroeville Circuit.....	388	16	3
Evergreen Mission.....	170	.....	3
	2765	16	27

Union Springs District.

Union Springs Station.....	150	.....	.....
Union Circuit.....	311	.....	2
Pine Level Circuit.....	370	.....	2
Olustee Creek Circuit.....	423	.....	2
Rocky Mount Circuit.....	381	.....	.....
Fort Deposit Circuit.....	187	.....	2
Greenville Station.....	235	.....	.....
Greenville Circuit.....	318	8	2
Rutledge Circuit.....	532	.....	5
Troy and Brundige.....	410	.....	3
Troy Circuit.....	272	.....	6
Elba Mission.....	350	.....	3
	3939	8	27

Ques. 22. How many infants have been baptized during the year?
994.

Ques. 23. How many adults have been baptized during the year?
1888.

Ques. 24. What is the number of Sunday-schools?
300.

Ques. 25. What is the number of Sunday-school teachers?
2027.

Ques. 26. What is the number of Sunday-school scholars?
13,551.

Ques. 27. What amount is necessary for the superannuated preachers, and the widows and orphans of preachers?
\$8,100.

Ques. 28. What has been collected on the foregoing account, and how has it been applied?
Collected, \$4,152 35. Disbursed to the claimants according to their respective claims.

Ques. 29. What has been contributed for missions?
\$4,564 75.

Ques. 30. Where shall the next session of the Conference be held?
At Opelika, Ala.

Ques. 31. Where are the preachers stationed this year?

MOBILE DISTRICT.

J. Hamilton, P. E.

Mobile:

- { Franklin Street, J. W. Rush.
- { Eastern Shore Mission, to be supplied.
- { City Mission, P. G. Nash.
- { St. Francis Street, W. Shapard.
- { St. Paul's, J. Barker.
- { Grand Bay Mission, Isaac F. Bilbro.
- { Whistler Station, to be supplied.
- { Citronelle Circuit, Charles R. Williamson.
- { St. Stephen's and Washington Mission, W. Hargrave Morris.
- { Pensacola, D. M. Hudson.
- { Navy Yard and Perdido Mission, Peyton B. Saffold.

Milton Station, J. O. Andrew.
 { Blackwater Mission, Archibald M. L. Douglas.
 { Yellow River Mission, to be supplied (by S. W. Douglas).
 Pollard Circuit, David C. Standley.
 Mount Pleasant Circuit, Joseph H. James.

DEMOPOLIS DISTRICT.

Silas H. Cox, P. E.

Demopolis Station, Robert B. Crawford.
 Livingston Station, Andrew J. Coleman.
 Belmont Circuit, James M. Patton.
 Gaston Circuit, Charles B. Dubose.
 Cuba Circuit, George Bancroft.
 Butler Circuit, David J. Wright.
 { Oktuppa Mission, to be supplied (by G. W. Fagan).
 { Bladen Springs Circuit, Wm. Ira Powers.
 Forkland Circuit, La Fayette Patterson.
 Gainesville Circuit, Alexander Hood.
 Greene Circuit, John W. McCann.
 Eutaw Station, David C. Crook.

SELMA DISTRICT.

Andrew J. Briggs, P. E.

Selma:
 Selma Station, Mark S. Andrews.
 East Selma, Joseph B. Cottrell.
 Uniontown Station, James W. Glenn.
 Dayton Circuit, Samuel M. Thames, one to be supplied.
 Orrville Circuit, John F. Evans.
 Rembert Hills Circuit, John S. Frazer, G. F. Ellis, Sup.
 Choctaw Corner Circuit, William S. Wade.
 Lower Peach-tree Circuit, Asbury C. Hundley.
 Suggsville Circuit, Edward M. Turner.
 Jackson Circuit, to be supplied (by C. H. Kelly).
 Tallahatta Circuit, William A. Rice.
 Summerfield Station, Robert S. Woodward, Charles Strider, Sup.
 Centenary Female College, A. D. McVoy, President.

GREENSBORO DISTRICT.

A. H. Mitchell, P. E.

Greensboro Station, Allen S. Andrews.
 Newbern and Mount Hermon Circuit, Billups D. Gayle.
 Marion Station, John E. Foust.
 Havana Circuit, Gabriel Hawkins.
 Brush Creek Circuit, William M. Winn.
 Autaugaville Circuit, Wm. A. Montgomery.
 Autauga and Clanton Mission, R. A. Miers.
 Prattville Station, Ethelbert S. Smith.
 Randolph Circuit, Walter H. McDaniel.
 Perryville Circuit, William A. Edwards.
 Ocmulgee Mission, to be supplied (by B. B. Nally).
 Southern University, A. S. Andrews, President;
 John S. Moore, Professor of Mathematics;
 Thomas O. Summers, jr., Professor of Chemistry, etc.
 Editor of Books and *Christian Advocate*, Thos. O. Summers, sr.

MONTGOMERY DISTRICT.

Wm. A. McCarty, P. E.

Montgomery:
 { Montgomery Station, Edward Wadsworth.
 { Herron Street and Mt. Meigs, J. T. Curry.
 Notasulga Circuit, Lewis F. Dowdall.
 Tuskegee Station, Theophilus F. Mangum.
 Tuskegee Circuit, John W. Solomon.
 Tallassee Mission, Morgan C. Turrentine, T. A. Weathers, Sup.
 Elmore Circuit, Robert F. Perdue.
 Opelika Station, William M. Motley.
 Salem Circuit, William B. Neal, John H. Lockhart, Sup.
 Crawford Circuit, William W. Graham.
 Auburn Station, Everett L. Loveless.
 Hurtville and Silver Run, Jere. S. Williams.
 Wetumpka Station, Philip H. Lightfoot.
 > Alabama Female College, Henry D. Moore, President.
 Alabama Agricultural and Mechanical College, B. B. Ross, President.
 American Bible Society, Thomas J. Rutledge, Agent.

EUFAULA DISTRICT.

W. H. Ellison, P. E.

Eufaula Station, E. M. Bounds.
 Glennville Station, Thomas W. Dyer.
 Benlah Circuit, William K. Norton.
 > Villula Circuit, E. P. Birch.
 Enon and Midway, William H. Wild.
 { Perote Circuit, William S. Turner.
 { Pea River Mission, to be supplied (by G. G. Thomasson).
 Clayton and Louisville, Stephen A. Pilley.
 Henry Circuit, Thomas C. M. Golland.
 White Pond Circuit, James L. Matherson.

MARIANNA DISTRICT.

Moses E. Butt, P. E.

Marianna Station, I. Z. T. Morris.
 Greenwood Circuit, Hugh M. Gillis.
 Holmes's Valley Circuit, John M. Brown.
 Calhoun Mission, Wade H. Weatherby.
 Columbia Circuit, J. Scaife.
 Newton Circuit, John M. Johnston.
 Geneva Circuit, John A. Green.
 Big Creek Circuit, Leander C. Calhoun.
 Cerro Gordo Mission, to be supplied.
 Ozark Circuit, Angus Dowling.
 Marianna District High-school, Elisha Philips, Principal.

CAMDEN DISTRICT.

James W. Shores, P. E.

Camden Circuit, Andrew M. Jones.
 Pineville Circuit, Jacob L. Skipper.
 Pleasant Hill Circuit, Emmett W. Solomon.
 Lowndesboro, Haynesville, and Union, James M. Mason.
 Monterey Circuit, Malcolm M. Graham.
 Georgiana Circuit, Neil Gillis.
 Sepulga Circuit, Joseph M. Scott.

Monroeville Circuit, Thomas Y. Abernathy.
Evergreen Circuit, Robert Smiley.
Brewton Mission, John S. Peavy.

UNION SPRINGS DISTRICT.

S. P. Richardson, P. E.

Union Springs Station, John A. Peterson.
Union Circuit, Charles W. Calhoun.
Pine Level Circuit, William P. H. Connerly.
Rocky Mount Circuit, Benjamin L. Selman.
Fort Deposit Circuit, Wilbur F. Norton.
Greenville Station, O. R. Blue, William H. Morris, Sup.
Greenville Circuit, Philip H. Moss.
Rutledge Circuit, Benjamin F. Blow.
Troy and Brundige, G. Waverly Briggs.

Troy Circuit, Anthony S. Dickinson.
Elba Circuit, Benjamin G. Blackwell.
Greenville Collegiate Institute, Henry Urquhart, President.

Reuben M. Powers transferred to North Mississippi Conference.

Robert H. Harris transferred to North Alabama Conference.

Josiah Bancroft and Francis Walker transferred to Mississippi Conference.

J. Wiley Vest transferred to West Texas Conference.

Wm. A. Sampey transferred to North-west Texas Conference.

Wm. G. Perry transferred to Texas Conference.

II.—NORTH ALABAMA CONFERENCE.

HELD AT TALLADEGA, ALA., *November 19-25, 1873.*

BISHOP MARVIN, *President*; JOHN A. THOMPSON, *Secretary*.

QUESTION 1. Who are admitted on trial?

ANSWER. Henry D. Hill, Samson H. Williams, James K. Armstrong, Robert F. Winston, Hugh P. Berry, Charles A. Allday, Jas. T. Miller, John B. Gregory. 8.

Ques. 2. Who remain on trial?

John W. Baine, Marcus E. Tumlin, James W. Christian, James L. Britton, Reuben S. Price, Jesse F. Ellis, John R. Sharpc, Robert G. Isbell, Jephthah N. Scott, Aaron N. Lowrie, Julius W. Linn, John G. Gibson, Priestley E. Nicholson. 13.

Ques. 3. Who are discontinued?

William V. Tierce, Samuel G. Corsbie, F. C. Stevenson, John H. Tucker. 4.

Ques. 4. Who are admitted into full connection?

George W. Hamilton, Zachariah A. Parker, Melville B. Johnston, Edgar W. Jones, Joseph B. Perkins, Reuben G. Wilson, John B. Cole, Green B. Wilson, James H. Cameron, Robert G. Reagan. 10.

Ques. 5. Who are readmitted?

Robert D. Carver, Rufus Nicholson. 2.

Ques. 6. Who are received by transfer from other Conferences?

Jefferson Hamilton, B. B. Ross. 2.

Ques. 7. Who are the deacons of one year?

William T. Andrews, James Cox, Dempsey W. Ward, B. F. Larrabee, Isaac Q. Melton, John W. Newman, John C. Hunkapillar, Wm. C. McCoy. 8.

Ques. 8. What traveling preachers are elected deacons?

George W. Hamilton, Joseph B. Perkins, Reuben J. Wilson, John B. Cole, Green B. Wilson, James H. Cameron. 6.

Ques. 9. What traveling preachers are ordained deacons?

George W. Hamilton, Joseph B. Perkins, Reuben J. Wilson, John B. Cole, Green B. Wilson, James H. Cameron. 6.

Ques. 10. What local preachers are elected deacons?

John F. Turney, Asa B. Brindley, John H. Austin, James W. Towns, William J. Crook, Lovick S. Odom, James H. Roberts, Josa W. Oswalt. 8.

Ques. 11. What local preachers are ordained deacons?

John F. Turney, Lovick S. Odom, Josa W. Oswalt, John S. Holt, Benjamin Stewart. 5.

Ques. 12. What traveling preachers are elected elders?

Virgil O. Hawkins, William T. Patillo, Geo. R. Lynch, Rufus W. Coons, Wm. R. Williams, Cornelius M. Livingston. 6.

Ques. 13. What traveling preachers are ordained elders?

Virgil O. Hawkins, Wm. T. Patillo, George R. Lynch, Rufus W. Coons, Wm. R. Williams, Cornelius M. Livingston. 6.

Ques. 14. What local preachers are elected elders?

Wm. B. Wood, Andrew J. Walker, Francis M. Roberts, Rufus Nicholson, John D. Seay, Henry Young. 6.

Ques. 15. What local preachers are ordained elders?

Wm. B. Wood, Francis M. Roberts, John D. Seay, Henry Young. 4.

Ques. 16. Who are located this year?

Thomas G. Slaughter, Renson T. Moore. 2.

Ques. 17. Who are supernumerary?

Thomas F. Brown, J. N. Dupree, T. N. Shelton, E. B. McClellan, Joshua C. Phelps, James A. Neeley. 6.

Ques. 18. Who are superannuated?

R. Scales, E. McMeans, J. N. Glover, Uriah Williams, G. J. Mason, Charles W. Smith, James M. Towles. 7.

Ques. 19. What preachers have died during the past year?

None.

Ques. 20. Are all the preachers blameless in their life and official administration?

Their names were called over, one by one, and their characters examined and passed.

Ques. 21. What is the number of local preachers and members in the several circuits, stations, and missions of the Conference?

Guntersville District.

	White Mem's.	Col'd Mem's.	Loc'l Pr's.
Cedar Bluff Circuit.....	414	.....	.....
Tennessee Valley Circuit.....	213	3	3
Bristoe Circuit.....	340	.....	6
Center Circuit.....	259	1	1
Guntersville Station.....	403	.....	3
Van Buren Circuit.....	402	.....	7
Valley Head Circuit.....	322	.....	9
Flat Rock Mission.....	213	.....	2
Pine Grove Mission.....	20	.....	4
Gadsden Circuit.....	285	1	1
	2871	5	36

Talladega District.

	White Mem's.	Col'd Mem's.	Loc'l Pr's.
Talladega Station.....	150	.....	1
Talladega Circuit.....	521	.....	7
White Plains Circuit.....	414	.....	3
Alexandria Circuit.....	575	.....	3
Jacksonville Station.....	181	.....	2
Cross Plains Circuit.....	302	.....	2
Fayetteville Circuit.....	350	.....	4
Harpersville Circuit.....	463	.....	4
Columbiana Circuit.....	207	.....	3
Shelby Iron Works Station.....	50	.....	.....
Montevallo Circuit.....	421	.....	4
Blue Mountain Mission.....	144	.....	.....
Coosa River Mission.....	221	.....	2
	3999	.....	35

Florence District.

	White Mem's.	Col'd Mem's.	Loc'l Pr's.
Florence Station.....	180	.....	3
Chickasaw Circuit.....	210	.....	.....
Lexington Circuit.....	430	2	3
Colbert Mission.....	98	.....	2
Rodgersville and Driskill's Chapel...	169	.....	.....
Valley Station.....	199	.....	2
Tuscumbia Station.....	108	.....	1
Cypress Circuit.....	406	.....	2
Waterloo Circuit.....	179	.....	6
Oakland Circuit.....	310	.....	4
Frankfort Circuit.....	351	.....	3
	2640	2	26

La Fayette District.

	White Mem's.	Col'd Mem's.	Loc'l Pr's.
La Fayette Station.....	256	.....	4
Oak Bowery Circuit.....	420	.....	6
Fredonia Circuit.....	419	.....	7
Louina Circuit.....	522	.....	3
Pinckneyville Circuit.....	565	45	8
Dadeville Circuit.....	288	.....	5
Socapatoy Circuit.....	365	.....	4
Lineville Circuit.....	261	.....	4
Arbacochee Circuit.....	560	.....	5
Millersville Mission.....	189	.....	3
Hatchet Creek Mission.....	114	.....	1
La Fayette Mission.....	40	.....	.....
	3999	45	50

Decatur District.

	White Mem's.	Col'd Mem's.	Loc'l Pr's.
Decatur Station.....	102	.....	2
Moulton Circuit.....	393	.....	4
Somerville Circuit.....	740	.....	17
Winston Circuit.....	144	.....	4
Trinity Circuit.....	175	.....	3
Russell Valley Circuit.....	288	.....	2
Danville Circuit.....	1200	.....	14
Allen's Factory Mission.....	107	.....	4
Clear Creek Falls Mission.....	59	.....	2
Courtland Circuit.....	187	.....	1
Leighton Circuit.....	168	.....	1
	3563	.....	54

Birmingham District.

	White Mem's.	Col'd Mem's.	Loc'l Pr's.
Birmingham Station.....	122	.....	3
Elyton Circuit.....	612	.....	16
Blountsville Circuit.....	487	.....	9
Murfree's Valley Circuit.....	400	.....	6
Ashville Circuit.....	475	1	6
Gadsden Station.....	229	.....	5
Irondale Circuit.....	162	.....	1
Tuskaloosa Circuit.....	353	.....	1
Jonesboro Circuit.....	442	.....	1
Village Falls Mission.....	216	.....	4
	3498	1	52

Huntsville District.

	White Mem's.	Col'd Mem's.	Loc'l Pr's.
Huntsville.....	345	.....	2
Triana Circuit.....	133	.....	.....
Scottsboro Circuit.....	459	1	4
Madison Circuit.....	293	1	2
Pettusville Circuit.....	417	.....	4
Fort Deposit Circuit.....	316	.....	1
Vienna Circuit.....	450	.....	.....
Paint Rock Circuit.....	186	2	2
New Market Circuit.....	422	.....	3
Madison Station.....	142	.....	.....
Stevenson Circuit.....	350	.....	4
Athens Station.....	167	.....	5
Athens Circuit.....	364	1	3
	4044	5	30

Tuskaloosa District.

	White Mem's.	Col'd Mem's.	Loc'l Pr's.
Carrollton Circuit.....	175	.....	3
Gordo Circuit.....	327	.....	2
Jasper Circuit.....	364	.....	5
Yorkville Circuit.....	416	.....	2
Bexar Circuit.....	480	.....	10
North Port Circuit.....	404	.....	4
Pickensville Circuit.....	126	.....	.....
Fayette Circuit.....	389	.....	1
North River Circuit.....	120	.....	.....
New Lexington Circuit.....	500	.....	5
Tuskaloosa Station.....	159	.....	.....
Yellow Creek Circuit.....	468	.....	8
Vernon Circuit.....	400	.....	5
Palmetto Mission.....	110	.....	.....
	4438	.....	45

Recapitulation.

	White Mem's.	Col'd Mem's.	Loc'l Pr's.
Florence District.....	2640	2	26
Decatur ".....	3563	.....	54
Huntsville ".....	4044	5	30
Guntersville ".....	2871	5	36
Talladega ".....	3999	.....	35
La Fayette ".....	3999	45	50
Birmingham ".....	3498	1	52
Tuskaloosa ".....	4438	.....	45
Total this year.....	29,052	58	328
Total last year.....	27,621	50	321
Increase.....	1,431	8	7

Ques. 22. How many infants have been baptized during the year?
931.

Ques. 23. How many adults have been baptized during the year?
2349.

Ques. 24. What is the number of Sunday-schools?
340.

Ques. 25. What is the number of Sunday-school teachers?
1659.

Ques. 26. What is the number of Sunday-school scholars?
13,712.

Ques. 27. What amount is necessary for the superannuated preachers, and the widows and orphans of preachers?
\$2,500.

Ques. 28. What has been collected on the foregoing account, and how has it been applied?
Collected, \$1,272 60

Applied as follows:

Mrs. T. Lynch,	50 00
Mrs. Abernathy,	50 00
Mrs. Matthews,	50 00
Mrs. West,	50 00
Mrs. Rhodes,	70 00
E. McMeans,	75 00
Mrs. Powers,	155 00
Miss Mira Erwin,	75 00
W. Williams,	20 00
C. W. Smith,	20 00
Mrs. Brown,	50 00
Mrs. Stanley,	75 00
Mrs. Bailey,	50 00
George Mason,	20 00
E. C. Odom's children,	100 00
Mrs. Norton,	222 00
F. P. Scruggs,	20 00
C. N. McLeod,	20 00

Ques. 29. What has been contributed for missions?
\$2,500 65.

Ques. 30. Where shall the next session of the Conference be held?
At Huntsville, Ala.

Ques. 31. Where are the preachers stationed this year?

FLORENCE DISTRICT.

J. B. Stevenson, P. E.

Florence Station, J. W. Whitten.
Rodgersville and Driskill's Chapel, Dawson Phelps.
Lentzville Circuit, John G. Gibson, T. F. Brown, Sup.
Lexington Mission, Joseph B. Perkins.
Cypress Circuit, M. E. Tumlin.
Oakland Circuit, Wm. McQueen.
Waterloo Circuit, to be supplied (by W. M. Rippey).
Tuscumbia Station, T. H. Deavenport.
Valley Station, Wm. H. Armstrong.
Chickasaw Circuit, Samson H. Williams.
Frankfort Circuit, James H. Cameron.
Colbert Mission, G. W. Hamilton.
State Normal College, H. Brown, Professor.

DECATUR DISTRICT.

W. E. Mabry, P. E.

Decatur Station, John A. Thompson.
Trinity Circuit, Finch P. Scruggs.
Courtland Circuit, Virgil O. Hawkins.
Leighton Circuit, John S. Davis.
Russell Valley Circuit, Leander F. Whitten.
Moulton Circuit, James L. Brittain.
Danville Circuit, W. E. Cameron.
Somerville Circuit, R. D. Evans.
Gilmore Mission, to be supplied (by A. J. Wheat).
Littlesville Mission, to be supplied (by R. W. McKelvy).

HUNTSVILLE DISTRICT.

W. R. Kirk, P. E.

Huntsville Station, C. D. Oliver.
Madison Station, Zachariah A. Parker.
Madison Circuit, Ambrose F. Driskill, Henry D. Hill.
Athens Station, F. T. J. Brandon.
Athens Circuit, Z. Parker, J. C. Phelps, Sup.
Pettusville Circuit, H. P. Turner.
Maysville and New Market, M. E. Johnston, C. Godby.
Scottsboro Circuit, W. T. Andrews.
Paint Rock Circuit, Reuben S. Price.
Stevenson Circuit, Robert J. Wilson.
Woodville Circuit, J. M. Hamer.
Vienna Circuit, John C. Hunkapillar, Robert F. Winston.
Athens Female Institute, J. K. Armstrong.

GUNTERSVILLE DISTRICT.

J. G. Gurley, P. E.

Guntersville Station, John G. Walker.
Guntersville Circuit, Benjamin F. Lea.
Cotaco Mission, J. T. Bartee.
Tennessee Valley Circuit, Rufus Nicholson.
Bristoe's Cove Circuit, A. N. Lowery.
Valley Head Circuit, D. W. Ward.
Van Buren Circuit, M. C. McCoy, James T. Miller.
Cedar Bluff Circuit, I. Q. Melton, J. A. Neely Sup.

Center Circuit, John W. Baine.
Gadsden Circuit, Perry K. Brindley.
Sulphur Springs Circuit, James Cox.

TALLADEGA DISTRICT.

Daniel Duncan, P. E.

Talladega Station, John H. Anderson.
Talladega Circuit, Moses L. Whitten.
White Plains Circuit, Robert A. Timmons.
Alexandria Circuit, Robert G. Ragan, E. B. McClellan, Sup.
Jacksonville and Aniston, M. B. Johnston.
Cross Plains Circuit, Theophilus Moody.
Calvin Mountain Mission, Charles A. Allday.
Fayetteville Circuit, John B. Cole.
Harpersville Circuit, L. M. Wilson.
Columbiana Circuit, Cicero L. Dobbs.
Montevallo Circuit, R. Stripling.
Blue Mountain Mission, John B. Gregory.
Coosa River Mission, C. A. McLeod.

LA FAYETTE DISTRICT.

L. R. Bell, P. E.

La Fayette Station, P. S. Henderson.
Oak Bowery Circuit, to be supplied.
Fredonia Circuit, James W. Christian.
Louina Circuit, E. W. Jones.
Pinckneyville Circuit, Warren D. Nicholson.
Dadeville Circuit, Robert F. Mountain, John N. Dupree, Sup.
Socapatoy Circuit, Wm. T. Patillo.
Lineville Circuit, J. R. Sharpe.
Arbacoochee Circuit, Jesse F. Ellis.
Chandler's Springs Mission, C. S. D. Lassiter.
Hatchet Creek Mission, to be supplied (by B. Stewart).

BIRMINGHAM DISTRICT.

J. D. Anthony, P. E.

Birmingham Station, W. L. Clifton.
Jones's Valley Circuit, J. W. Newman.
Blountsville Circuit, Rufus W. Coons.

Murfree's Valley Circuit, James Dobbs.
Ashville Circuit, Priestly E. Nicholson.
Gadsden Station, Anson West.
Ironton Circuit, Francis M. Grace.
Tuskaloosa Circuit, Evan Nicholson.
Woodstock Mission, Hugh P. Berry.
Jonesboro Circuit, Thomas P. Roberts.
Village Falls Circuit, Robert G. Isbell.
Jasper Circuit, Julius W. Linn.

TUSKALOOSA DISTRICT.

J. L. Coleman, P. E.

Tuskaloosa Station, J. M. Boland.
North Port Circuit, Daniel S. McDonald
Sheffield Circuit, Cornelius M. Livingston.
Fayette Circuit, James E. Andrews.
Gordo Circuit, Anderson G. Copeland.
Carrollton Circuit, R. J. Sampler.
Fairfield and Pickensville, Robert D. Carver.
Palmetto Circuit, to be supplied (by D. McKee).
Yorkville Circuit, G. R. Lynch, Thomas W. Shelton, Sup.
Yellow Creek Circuit, Jephthah F. Randall.
Vernon Circuit, E. F. S. Roberts.
Bexar Circuit, G. B. Wilson.
North River Circuit, J. N. Scott.
Tuskaloosa Female College, B. F. Larrabee, President.

W. Weakley, B. J. Gaston, John S. Marks, and James M. Wright, transferred to Tennessee Conference.

Jefferson Hamilton, B. B. Ross, B. G. Blackwell, and J. T. Curry, transferred to Alabama Conference.

Thomas G. Whitten transferred to Memphis Conference.

Wm. R. Williams transferred to St. Louis Conference.

J. P. Glass transferred to Illinois Conference.

12.—LOUISIANA CONFERENCE.

HELD AT BATON ROUGE, LA., *January 7-13, 1874.*

BISHOP MARVIN, *President*; CHARLES F. EVANS, *Secretary*.

QUESTION 1. Who are admitted on trial?

ANSWER. William Leiser, Eugene G. Miller, Alfred E. Clay, John T. Sawyer, William R. Whatley. 5.

Ques. 2. Who remain on trial?

Thomas Mullett, John W. Hearn, John G. Krauter, James S. White, Robert S. Isbell, Thomas F. Webb, William V. Taylor, Jacob D. Harper, Thomas S. Randle, James J. Bil-

lingsley, William Hart, Albert M. Wailes, Felix G. Hocutt. 13.

Ques. 3. Who are discontinued?
None.

Ques. 4. Who are admitted into full connection?

Christian Keener, Samuel H. Schroeder, Enos B. Foust. 3.

Ques. 5. Who are readmitted?

None.

Ques. 6. Who are received by transfer from other Conferences?

Felix G. Hocutt, W. P. Owen, Hiram R. Singleton. 3.

Ques. 7. Who are the deacons of one year?

Philip Allen, James M. Franklin, Hiram R. Singleton. 3.

Ques. 8. What traveling preachers are elected deacons?

Samuel H. Schroeder, Enos B. Foust, Robert S. Isbell, Thomas F. Webb. 4.

Ques. 9. What traveling preachers are ordained deacons?

Samuel H. Schroeder, Enos B. Foust, Robert S. Isbell, Thomas F. Webb. 4.

Ques. 10. What local preachers are elected deacons?

None.

Ques. 11. What local preachers are ordained deacons?

Armisted R. Holcombe. 1.

Ques. 12. What traveling preachers are elected elders?

Christian Keener, Wm. F. Alexander. 2.

Ques. 13. What traveling preachers are ordained elders?

Christian Keener, Wm. F. Alexander. 2.

Ques. 14. What local preachers are elected elders?

Samuel E. Hale, Thomas B. Reneau, Alanson W. Moore, John A. Monroe. 4. Abraham Wright was recognized in Elder's Orders from the Baptist Church.

Ques. 15. What local preachers are ordained elders?

Thomas B. Reneau. 1.

Ques. 16. Who are located this year?

John F. Marshall. 1.

Ques. 17. Who are supernumerary?

Philip H. Dieffenweirth. 1.

Ques. 18. Who are superannuated?

John S. Davis, Henry C. Thweatt, A. G. Miller, Wm. E. Doty, Edwin W. Yancey, P. M. Goodwin, Joel Saunders, Fisher T. Rawson, John C. Reed. 9.

Ques. 19. What preachers have died during the past year?

Joseph D. Adams. 1.

JOSEPH D. ADAMS was born, in Williamsburg District, S. C., Dec. 26, 1820. He joined the Church July 19, 1831; professed religion at a camp-meeting Sept. 24, 1837. His father having died, he removed with his mother to Randolph county, Ga., in 1835; was appointed class-leader at Salem Society, June 27, 1838, and in the same Society was licensed to exhort May 12, 1841, and was there licensed to preach, and by the same Quarterly Conference was recommended for admission on trial into the traveling connection Nov. 14, 1846. He was admitted on trial into the traveling connection

by the Georgia Conference Dec., 1846, and appointed as junior preacher to the Dahlonega Circuit, Marietta District. His second year he was on the Jacksonville Circuit, at the close of which he was received into full connection, and ordained deacon by Bishop Capers at Augusta, Jan. 14, 1849, and appointed to the Irvington Circuit. This year he was married to Miss Sophia Sinclair, daughter of the Rev. Jesse and Sophia D. Sinclair, of Twiggs county, Ga. In 1850 he was appointed to the Watkinsville Circuit; in 1851 he was ordained elder, and appointed to the La Fayette Circuit; in 1852, to Fort Gaines; in 1853, to Chattahoochee Mission; in 1854, to Stewart Circuit; and in 1855, to Hamilton Circuit. At the close of this year he located, and engaged in farming. In 1858 he removed to Louisiana, and was readmitted into the traveling connection by the Louisiana Annual Conference, at Mansfield, Feb., 1858, and was appointed to Waterproof, Tensas Parish. In 1859 he was appointed to St. Joseph and Wesley Chapel, in 1860 to Wesley Chapel, in 1861 to Waterproof, in 1862, 1863, 1864, and 1865 to New Iberia, in 1866 to Washington and Bayou Boeuff, in 1867-68 to Plaquemine Brulie, in 1869, 1870, and 1871 to Opelousas District, in 1872-73 to the Moreau Street Station, New Orleans. Brother Adams was twice married. The time and place of his first wife's death we have not ascertained. Two sons and a daughter still survive her. His second marriage was with the widow of the Rev. A. T. M. Fly, in 1862. She and two daughters of tender years are left to the sympathy and care of the Church. Brother Adams died at Biloxi, Miss., on the morning of July 26, 1873. He had been in failing health for several months, and for nearly two months before his death, unable to preach regularly, though about, and usually present, at the regular services. Ten days before his death he was persuaded to visit the Gulf shore, but he grew rapidly worse after leaving the city, and his death was unexpected even to those who were acquainted with his failing health. But a week previous to the final summons, he sent his report to the Quarterly Conference. The same envelope contained also a communication to his stewards, in which, amongst other things, he mentioned that, feeling that he might die at any time, he had carefully examined himself, and believed that his acceptance with God was entirely clear—that for himself, he was perfectly resigned to live or die, but that he found it difficult to avoid anxiety about his wife and children. A paper found in his pocket-book after his death contains the following rules: "1. Keep your mind fixed on the object of your preaching—the salvation of man. 2. Remember it is the word of Christ, and not yours; therefore claim strength of Christ. 3. Be more earnest than eloquent; the subject will attract attention, and not you. 4. Feed the flock of God over which the Holy Ghost hath made you an overseer; not by constraint, but willingly." Another paper found with the

above has this passage: "Look unto Jesus continually. I will pray for sanctification till I obtain it. I will be happy and satisfied with nothing less than perfection." It will be seen that his ministry extended through a period of twenty-seven years, fifteen of which were spent in the Louisiana Conference. From our personal knowledge and estimate, we can say that he was one of the purest and best of men—a man of true refinement and spirituality of soul; an Israelite in whom there was no guile; a man who habitually walked with God, and lived and enjoyed the religion which he preached. He was an excellent preacher: his sermons were richly instructive, abounding in solid thought and apt illustrations, and always attended with much unction. In exhortation and prayer he had few equals. In the pastoral work he was diligent, and most careful and solicitous in looking after the afflicted. For more than average qualifications, general effectiveness, and amiability in the itinerant work, he belonged to that type of Methodist preachers of which no Conference ever has enough. He deservedly held a high place in the love and esteem of his brethren, and his death creates a void in their ranks which may not soon be filled, and entails a loss upon the Conference that it will be difficult to repair. His last hours were peaceful and assured. His dust sleeps on the sea-shore in full view of the water, and where the winds and the waves lift up their voices. The grave has been tastefully cared for, and we know of no spot where one would choose rather to be laid to rest.

Ques. 20. Are all the preachers blameless in their life and official administration?

Their names were called over, one by one, and their characters examined and passed.

Ques. 21. What is the number of local preachers and members in the several circuits, stations, and missions of the Conference?

New Orleans District.

	White Mem's.	Col'd Mem's.	Loc'l Pr's.
New Orleans:			
Carondelet Street	476	2	1
Felicity Street.....	374	4	5
Moreau Street.....	85		
Dryades Street (German).....	135		
Craps Street (German).....	133		
Sorapam and Carrollton (German).....	35		
Cadiz Street.....	68	1	
Louisiana Avenue.....	56		
Algiers.....	58		1
Lafourche and Mission.....	15		
Baton Rouge.....	209		1
Plaquemine and Grosse Tete.....	25	2	
	1669	8	9

Delhi District.

Monroe.....	100		
Trenton	136		2
Bastrop	120		
Lind Grove.....	220		1
Oak Ridge and Prairie Mer Rouge ..	85		
Rayville.....	193	1	2
Winnboro	550		2
Waterproof	85		1
Concordia Mission.....	29		2

Delhi District (continued).

	White Mem's.	Col'd Mem's.	Loc'l Pr's.
St. Joseph.....	76		1
Providence and Pecan Grove.....	79		1
Oak Grove	172		3
Madison Mission.....			
Delhi and Floyd	211		1
	2056	1	16

Homer District.

Homer.....	429		4
Haynesville	473		2
Minden.....	335		1
South Bossier.....	231		1
Sparta and Ringgold	300		4
Arcadia	208		
Vernon.....	390		7
Castor.....	380		6
Louisville	123	18	1
Ouachita	350		1
Farmerville.....	250		5
	3469	18	32

Shreveport District.

Shreveport	123		
Caddo.....	191		2
Keachi.....	110		
Mansfield	171		1
Pleasant Hill.....	263		2
Many.....	173		
Anacoco	260		4
Leasville Mission.....	114		1
Springville.....	212		2
North Bossier.....	135		1
	1752		13

Alexandria District.

Alexandria and Pineville.....	70		
Bayou Boeuff and Spring Creek	160		
Evergreen.....	94		
Big Cave.....	164		1
Bayou De Glaize	33		
Simsport.....			
Rapides.....	310	15	3
Atlanta Mission	182	13	2
Harrisonburg and Sicily Island	84	35	
Centerville	200		1
Columbia.....	119		
Caldwell.....	286	8	
Trinity.....	38		1
	1740	71	8

Opelousas District.

Pattersonville and Brashear	71		1
Franklin	112		
New Iberia.....	210	11	1
Abbeville	122		
Vermillionville.....	61		
Opelousas.....	110		1
Washington.....	37		
St. Landry.....	471		3
Teche.....	40	1	1
Lake Charles.....	30		
Lake Charles (German) Mission.....	22		
Grand Cheniere.....	102	35	
Sugar Town.....	461	34	6
	1849	81	13

Recapitulation.

New Orleans District.....	1669	8	9
Delhi	2056	1	16
Homer	3469	18	32
Shreveport	1752		13
Alexandria	1740	71	8
Opelousas	1849	81	13
Total this year.....	12,535	179	91
Total last year.....	11,127	92	75
Increase	1,408	87	16

Ques. 22. How many infants have been baptized during the year?
779.

Ques. 23. How many adults have been baptized during the year?
780.

Ques. 24. What is the number of Sunday-schools?
122.

Ques. 25. What is the number of Sunday-school teachers?
868.

Ques. 26. What is the number of Sunday-school scholars?
5405.

Ques. 27. What amount is necessary for the superannuated preachers, and the widows and orphans of preachers?
\$3,530.

Ques. 28. What has been collected on the foregoing account, and how has it been applied?
Collected, \$2,128 50

Applied as follows:

H. C. Thweatt,	112 50
Joel Saunders,	112 50
F. T. Rawson,	157 50
P. M. Goodwyn,	225 00
E. W. Yancey,	150 00
J. S. Davis,	150 00
Widow of J. H. Waters,	112 50
Widow of F. Bell,	112 50
Widow of R. Randle,	112 50
Widow of U. Whatley,	112 50
Widow of T. Samford,	112 50
Widow of W. G. McGaughey,	112 50
Widow and orphans of R. R. Alexander,	142 50
Widow and orphans of J. D. Adams,	172 50
Orphans of C. J. Halberg,	110 00
Orphans of W. J. McFarland,	40 00
Orphans of S. Hawes,	40 00
Orphans of B. C. Stegall,	40 00

Ques. 29. What has been contributed for missions?
\$2,975 70.

Ques. 30. Where shall the next session of the Conference be held?
At Alexandria, La.

Ques. 31. Where are the preachers stationed this year?

NEW ORLEANS DISTRICT.

Linus Parker, P. E.

New Orleans:

Carondelet Street, Wm. V. Tudor.
Felicity Street, John Matthews.
Moreau Street, J. Lane Borden.
Craps Street (German), J. A. B. Rabe.
Dryades Street (German), J. B. A. Ahrens.
Lake Charles (German), William Leiser.
Sorapam and Carrollton (German), J. G. Krauter.
Cadiz Street and Carrollton, James A. Ivy.
Louisiana Avenue, John T. Sawyer.
Algiers, to be supplied (by Lewis A. Reed).

Brashear and Lafourche Mission, Thomas Mullett.

Baton Rouge, John Wilkinson.

Plaquemine and Grosse Tete, J. V. Pointer.

New Orleans Depository, Robert J. Harp.

Institution for the Blind, Baton Rouge, Patrick Lane.

DELHI DISTRICT.

Charles W. Carter, P. E.

Monroe, Charles F. Evans.

Trenton, Henry O. White.

Bastrop, Marcus C. Manly.

Lind Grove, T. H. McClendon.

Oak Ridge and Prairie Mer Rouge, James L. Wright.

Rayville, Thomas S. Randle.

Winnsboro, George Jackson.

Waterproof and St. Joseph, Hiram R. Singleton.

Tensas Chapel, B. F. Alexander.

Concordia Mission, Albert M. Wailes.

Wesley, James J. Billingsley, P. H. Dieffenweirth, Sup.

Delhi, Eugene G. Miller.

Lake Providence and Pecan Grove, J. Gorton Miller.

Floyd, George M. Liverman.

Joel T. Daves, Superintendent of Mexican Missions.

HOMER DISTRICT.

Samuel S. Scott, P. E.

Homer, W. P. Kimball.

Haynesville, R. W. Flournoy.

Minden, John A. Miller.

South Bossier, Wm. D. Stayton.

Sparta and Ringgold, to be supplied (by R. M. Crawson).

Arcadia, Jacob D. Harper.

Vernon, James M. McKee.

Castor, John W. Hearn.

Louisville, to be supplied (by J. B. Landers).

Ouachita, Robert T. Parish.

Farmerville, Robert Parvin.

Homer College, Baxter Clegg, President; Thos. J. Upton, Financial Secretary.

SHREVEPORT DISTRICT.

N. M. Skipworth, P. E.

Shreveport, A. E. Goodwin.

Caddo, Richard H. Adair.

De Soto, John Pipes.

Mansfield and Pleasant Hill, James E. Bradley.

Beulah, to be supplied (by H. L. Smith).

Many, J. M. Franklin.

Anacoco and Leasville, Felix G. Hocutt.

Springville, Jesse Fulton.

North Bossier, Robert Randle.

ALEXANDRIA DISTRICT.

J. H. Stone, P. E.

Alexandria and Pineville, Christian Keener.

Spring Creek, Frederick White.

Chicot and Ville Platte, to be supplied (by Thomas R. Curtis).

Bayou Bœuff, Silas H. Cooper.

Evergreen and Big Cave, W. P. Owen, Alfred E. Clay.
 Simsport and Bayou De Glaize, W. V. Taylor.
 Cotile and Dark's Creek, to be supplied (by W. A. Drodgy).
 Rapides Mission, John F. Winn.
 Montgomery, James S. White.
 Harrisonburg and Sicily Island, Samuel H. Schroeder.
 { Centerville, William R. Whatley.
 { Trinity, to be supplied (by D. S. Mitchell).
 Columbia and Triune, Philip Allen.
 Caldwell and Dugdemona, C. R. Godfrey.

OPELOUSAS DISTRICT.

James E. Cobb, P. E.

Washington, William Hart.
 Opelousas and Belview, R. S. Trippett.
 St. Landry, Robert S. Isbell.
 Teche, Thomas F. Webb.
 Vermillionville and Kembal Chapel, J. M. Brown.

Abbeville, to be supplied (by A. Hoffpanir).
 New Iberia, B. F. White.
 Franklin, Joseph W. Medlock.
 Pattersonville, R. A. Davis.
 Lake Charles, E. B. Foust.
 Grand Cheniere, to be supplied (by M. R. Hollister).
 Calcasieu, to be supplied (by George Reeves).
 Sugar Town, to be supplied (by J. W. Williams).
 N. A. Cravens transferred to Texas Conference.
 J. G. Worley transferred to Western Conference.
 W. F. Alexander transferred to North-west Texas Conference.
 Amicus W. Williams transferred to North Georgia Conference.
 Thomas B. White transferred to Columbia Conference.
 B. J. Baldwin and Samuel Armstrong transferred to Trinity Conference.

13.—MISSISSIPPI CONFERENCE.

HELD AT BRANDON, MISS., *December 10-15, 1873.*

BISHOP WIGHTMAN, *President*; C. G. ANDREWS, *Secretary*.

QUESTION 1. Who are admitted on trial?

ANSWER. Daniel C. Langford, Albert T. Tidwell, Joseph W. Hall, Thomas B. Holloman, Clarence A. Powell, Lewis R. Featherstun, Charles R. Benson, John W. Ritchey, Duncan A. Little, Alexander L. McBryde. 10.

Ques. 2. Who remain on trial?

John W. Ellison, Joseph B. K. Smith, Calvin C. Watkins, James W. McLaurin, Thomas S. West, Edward Hicks, Ralph Bradley, Robert Burnip. 8.

Ques. 3. Who are discontinued?

Benjamin W. Aston. 1.

Ques. 4. Who are admitted into full connection?

Warren C. Black, James J. Smylie, John W. Sandell, H. Walter Featherstun. 4.

Ques. 5. Who are readmitted?

Bascom T. Pearson, Thomas Price. 2.

Ques. 6. Who are received by transfer from other Conferences?

John W. Adkisson, from the Missouri Conference; Francis Walker, Josiah Bancroft, from the Alabama Conference. 3.

Ques. 7. Who are the deacons of one year?

John W. Hall, Daniel G. W. Ellis, Jacob H. Holland, Thomas B. Walden, Hiram R. Singleton, James S. Parker, George M. Gilmore,

David P. Bradford, Ulysses B. Philips, Robert D. Norsworthy, David A. Givens. 11.

Ques. 8. What traveling preachers are elected deacons?

None.

Ques. 9. What traveling preachers are ordained deacons?

None.

Ques. 10. What local preachers are elected deacons?

Albert T. Tidwell, Armistead R. Holcombe, William M. Jordan, Alex. L. McBryde. 4.

Ques. 11. What local preachers are ordained deacons?

Albert T. Tidwell, Alex. L. McBryde, John N. Henry, Jesse Harper. 4.

Ques. 12. What traveling preachers are elected elders?

James M. Weems, John W. Hall, H. Walter Featherstun. 3.

Ques. 13. What traveling preachers are ordained elders?

James M. Weems, John W. Hall, H. Walter Featherstun. 3.

Ques. 14. What local preachers are elected elders?

William Hoover, Moses H. Lack, William Wood, Irvin Miller. 4.

Ques. 15. What local preachers are ordained elders?

William Wood, Irvin Miller. 2.

Ques. 16. Who are located this year?

J. O. Napier, E. J. Taylor, P. H. Napier, W. Harrington, J. B. Bowen, I. D. Harmon. 6.

Ques. 17. Who are supernumerary?

J. W. Adams, A. Y. Davis, J. K. Hamblen, G. T. Vickers, J. N. Williams, William Spillman, H. P. Bowen. 7.

Ques. 18. Who are superannuated?

A. Day, T. Clinton, B. Pipkin, J. D. Higginbotham, J. G. Jones, William Finn, H. Cope-land, L. Pearce, J. Long, W. McCormick, J. McKay. 11.

Ques. 19. What preachers have died during the past year?

John D. Willis, John G. Deskin. 2.

JOHN D. WILLIS was born, in Monroe county, Ga., Dec. 31, 1824. He was married to Miss Elizabeth Parks, of the same county, in 1844, and removed to Alabama in 1847, and from thence to Newton county, Miss., in 1852. In 1854, under the pastoral labors of the Rev. Edwin Mortimer, he was awakened, converted, and became a member of the Church. He soon realized that he was called of God to the ministry. He was licensed to preach and admitted into the Mississippi Conference in 1855. For seventeen years he continued to labor among us as an obedient and diligent son in the gospel, filling a variety of appointments, among both the white and colored populations. Previous to the close of the war a large portion of his time was appropriated to the colored churches and congregations in Jefferson county. Not always obtaining a competent support for his family from his pastoral charges, especially during and after the war, he was compelled to engage, occasionally, in secular pursuits, in order to supplement a deficient salary; but his obligations as a minister were promptly met, and his appointments regularly filled. His beloved and faithful wife having preceded him to the grave, and his three sons having become sufficiently grown up to support themselves, he was entering more fully into the work of the ministry than ever before, when he was wholly disabled by the disease of which he died. At our last Conference he was appointed to Covington Circuit, in one of the eastern parishes of Louisiana. He went immediately to his circuit, and commenced his work, but soon had to desist on account of failing health. He then repaired to Newton county, Miss., where he had some near relations, who, he knew, would tenderly care for him in his extreme feebleness. He lingered until Aug. 16, 1873, when he fell asleep in Jesus. His disease was chronic diarrhea, which, while it reduced his body to perfect weakness, did not enfeeble nor derange his mind; so that his descent to the tomb was most triumphant. He seemed to have the most impressive views of the justice, mercy, and love of God. For weeks before his death he seemed to "dwell in God,

and God in him." He triumphantly told his relatives and visiting brethren that he enjoyed the most perfect assurance of his acceptance in Christ and of his future glory. He diligently exhorted all who visited him during his protracted illness to seek their happiness in God and lay up their treasure in heaven. He died at the residence of his brother-in-law, E. K. Moore, and, after having been a wandering itinerant seventeen years, was buried within fifty yards of the place where he professed faith in Christ.

JOHN GREENBERRY DESKIN was born, in Tazewell county, Va., Feb. 21, 1799. He was married June 17, 1819, after which he lived a number of years in Alabama. In the autumn of 1823 he attended a camp-meeting in Morgan county, Ala., where he was awakened to feel the importance of leading a new life. He immediately committed himself as a seeker of salvation by uniting with the Church. Soon after taking this initial step his conviction of sin became so deep, pungent, and overwhelming that speedy deliverance from its pollution, oppressive guilt, and intolerable burden was, with him, a matter of imperious necessity. He turned his whole attention in that direction; he wept and prayed day and night for immediate liberation from sin's degrading power; and before the close of the meeting he was clearly and satisfactorily converted. He returned home a new creature in Christ Jesus; established the usual forms of family religion in his household; attended all the private and public means of grace, and soon began to take an active part in the social meetings of the Church. Strange and unlooked-for impressions were soon made upon his heart, and intruded themselves into all his thoughts. Could it be possible that he was moved by the Holy Ghost to preach the gospel? How could this be, when, in his own estimation, he had none of the qualifications, either natural or acquired, for such a work? He tried to forget and banish from his mind all such impressions, and suffered much spiritual loss by the effort; but, alarmed at the thought of his long delinquency and hesitation, in Sept., 1832, he consented to receive license to exhort. He succeeded better than his fears had led him to expect, and was happy in his new employment. His talents as a public speaker began to be developed, so that in a short time he was licensed as a local preacher, which relation he actively sustained until 1837. In 1835 he removed to Yallabusha county, Miss., where he settled, and divided his time between farming, teaching school, and preaching among the new settlers. In the meantime, he had become quite an effective preacher; but his mind was not at rest: he felt that his providential place was in the itinerancy, and, accordingly, applied for and obtained admission into the Mississippi Conference, in Dec., 1837. For twenty-three years he was an acceptable, zealous, and useful laborer in the central parts of Mississippi. In that time he traveled eleven different circuits and

two missions, and nearly half of them for the entire pastoral term of two years. His work lay altogether in the Choctaw Purchase, so that he was familiar with new settlements, long rides, bridgeless streams, log churches, and all the usual inconveniences of a new country; but he was doing the work of an evangelist, and he faltered not. He was instrumental in bringing many sinners to Christ, and adding many members to the Church. When about sixty-two years of age he was so worn down by incessant labor that he was no longer able to do effective work, and was very cordially placed on the superannuated roll by his brethren. This relation he sustained until his death, which occurred, at the residence of his son, in Yazoo county, Sept. 5, 1873, in the seventy-fifth year of his age, and the thirtieth of his ministry. He was noted for his quiet and inoffensive life. He was warm-hearted and affectionate among the people of his charge. His educational and theological attainments were not above mediocrity, but he was a good expositor of the word of God, and dealt faithfully with all who sat under his ministry. His declining years were years of increasing mellowness and sweetness of spirit. He thought less and less of earth, and more intently and constantly of heaven, until finally his pilgrimage ended, and his sun went down without a cloud.

Ques. 20. Are all the preachers blameless in their life and official administration?

Their names were called over, one by one, and their characters examined and passed.

Ques. 21. What is the number of local preachers and members in the several circuits, stations, and missions of the Conference?

Woodville District.

	White Mem's	Col'd Mem's	Loc'l Pr's
Woodville Station.....	116	.....	.....
Wilkinson.....	205	.....	1
Amité.....	269	.....	3
Buffalo.....	150	.....	1
Bayou Sara.....	180	.....	1
Jackson, La.....	182	.....	5
East Feliciana.....	306	.....	1
Clinton, La.....	168	.....	.....
East Baton Rouge.....	301	.....	.....
Meadville.....	324	.....	1
Homochitto Mission.....	90	.....	4
	2285	.....	17

Summit District.

Summit.....	91	.....	2
Holmesville.....	210	.....	1
St. Helena.....	245	.....	2
Greensburg.....	260	.....	2
Amité City.....	123	.....	.....
Pontchatoula Mission.....	84	.....	1
Covington.....	160	.....	1
Franklinton.....	140	.....	1
Livingston Mission.....	84	.....	2
Big Creek Mission.....	40	.....	.....
	1437	.....	12

Brookhaven District.

Brookhaven Station.....	120	.....	2
Bogue Chitto Mission.....	75	.....	4
Scotland.....	189	.....	1
Brandywine.....	260	.....	3
Crystal Springs Station.....	260	.....	1
Terry.....	65	.....	1
Hazlehurst Station.....	150	.....	3
Zion.....	100	.....	1
Georgetown.....	177	.....	2
Providence.....	232	.....	3
Raymond.....	237	.....	2
Beauregard.....	204	.....	1
Monticello.....	183	.....	3
	2252	.....	27

Jackson District.

	White Mem's	Col'd Mem's	Loc'l Pr's
Jackson Station.....	184	.....	1
Brownsville.....	193	.....	1
Madison.....	93	.....	2
Canton Station.....	146	.....	.....
Sharon.....	167	.....	4
Sulphur Springs.....	136	.....	1
Camden.....	103	.....	.....
Thomastown.....	86	.....	2
Carthage.....	339	.....	4
Mount Olivet.....	247	.....	4
Dover.....	160	.....	1
Yazoo City Station.....	140	.....	.....
Yazoo.....	351	.....	3
	2345	.....	23

Brandon District.

Brandon Station.....	99	.....	.....
Fannin.....	370	.....	2
Garlandville.....	287	.....	2
Raleigh.....	310	.....	1
Trenton.....	330	.....	2
Morton.....	220	.....	1
Philadelphia.....	270	.....	2
Hillsboro.....	400	.....	8
Walnut Grove.....	324	.....	7
Union Mission.....	125	.....	2
Taylorville Mission.....	135	.....	.....
Forest and Lake.....	281	.....	3
	3151	.....	30

Vicksburg District.

Vicksburg:			
Vicksburg Station.....	199	.....	1
Grove Street Church.....	49	.....	1
North Warren.....	310	.....	7
Milldale and Sunflower.....	77	.....	.....
South Warren.....	106	.....	1
Cayuga.....	275	.....	2
Rocky Springs.....	236	.....	.....
Port Gibson Station.....	110	.....	.....
Fayette.....	300	.....	.....
Kingston.....	22	.....	1
Natchez Station.....	184	.....	.....
Clover Hill.....	50	.....	.....
Rolling Fork.....	103	.....	1
	2021	.....	14

Meridian District.

Meridian Station.....	235	.....	4
De Kalb.....	470	.....	2
Spring Hill.....	481	.....	3
Marion.....	342	.....	4
Toomsnba.....	292	.....	2
Enterprise Station.....	123	.....	.....
Enterprise.....	304	.....	2
Stonewall Factory Mission.....	61	.....	.....
Shubuta Mission.....	127	.....	.....
Clarke.....	488	.....	4
Wayne.....	449	.....	4
Paulding.....	435	.....	4
	3807	.....	29

Sea-shore District.

	White Mem's.	Col'd Mem's.	Loc'l Pr's.
Mount Carmel.....	468	.....	1
Rankin.....	503	.....	4
Columbia.....	170	.....	.....
Pearlington.....	85	.....	.....
Ocean Springs.....	107	.....	3
White Plains.....	151	.....	3
Enon.....	205	.....	.....
East Pascagoula.....	250	.....	.....
West Pascagoula Mission.....	150	.....	.....
Chickasaha and Green Mission.....	269	.....	.....
	2358	.....	14

Brought forward,	\$1,286 60
Mrs. Hainey,	62 20
Mrs. Herbert,	31 10
William McCormick and wife,	62 20
J. G. Jones and wife,	93 30
B. Pipkin and wife,	93 30
Mrs. Thomas Nixon,	62 20
William Finn and wife,	124 00
Robert Lambuth's child,	16 60
John H. Massey,	33 20
Miss Nannie Wadsworth,	16 60
Peter Green's children,	33 20
Brother Sims's children,	32 00

Recapitulation.

Jackson District.....	2345	.....	23
Vicksburg ".....	2021	.....	14
Woodville ".....	2285	.....	17
Summit ".....	1437	.....	12
Brookhaven ".....	2252	.....	27
Brandon ".....	3151	.....	30
Meridian ".....	3807	.....	29
Sea-shore ".....	2358	.....	14
Total this year.....	19,656	.....	166
Total last year.....	17,982	.....	163
Increase.....	1,674	.....	3
Decrease.....		69	

Surplus,	1,946 50
	11 80
	\$1,958 30

Ques. 29. What has been contributed for missions?
\$1,847 80.

Ques. 30. Where shall the next session of the Conference be held?
At Hazlehurst, Miss.

Ques. 31. Where are the preachers stationed this year?

JACKSON DISTRICT.

Henderson H. Montgomery, P. E.

Jackson Station, Charles B. Galloway.
Brownsville, James M. Weems.
Madison, Warren C. Black, one to be supplied.
Canton, Ransom J. Jones.
Sharon, Albert T. Tidwell, John W. Adams, Sup.
Camden, Ralph Bradley, Allen Y. Davis.
Thomastown, to be supplied (by James K. Hamblen).
Carthage, Oliver H. P. Davis, one to be supplied.
Mount Olivet, John W. Hall, one to be supplied.
Dover, David W. Dillehay.
Yazoo City, Robert D. Norsworthy.
Silver Creek, to be supplied.
Yazoo, John W. Ellison.
Special Agent Publishing House, R. Abbey.
Missionary to China, James W. Lambuth.

VICKSBURG DISTRICT.

Francis M. Featherstun, P. E.

Vicksburg:
Vicksburg Station, Josiah Bancroft.
Grove Street, James J. Smylie.
North Warren, Ira R. Robertson, Thomas B. Holloman.
Sunflower Mission, James S. Harris.
Clover Hill, Thomas B. Walden.
Rolling Fork, Andrew B. Stewart.
South Warren, Daniel A. J. Parker.
Cayuga, Franklin W. Sharbrough.
Rocky Spring, John A. B. Jones.
Port Gibson, W. Bryant Lewis.
Fayette, Jas. H. Shelton, Clarence A. Powell.
Kingston, Hiram R. Singleton.
Natchez, William L. C. Hunnicutt.

Ques. 22. How many infants have been baptized during the year?
1116.

Ques. 23. How many adults have been baptized during the year?
1180.

Ques. 24. What is the number of Sunday-schools?
185.

Ques. 25. What is the number of Sunday-school teachers?
1184.

Ques. 26. What is the number of Sunday-school scholars?
7319.

Ques. 27. What amount is necessary for the superannuated preachers, and the widows and orphans of preachers?
\$4,200.

Ques. 28. What has been collected on the foregoing account, and how has it been applied?

Collected, \$1,958 30
Applied as follows:

Mrs. Vernon Johnson,	95 40
Mrs. Dawson and child,	78 80
Mrs. Thompson and five children,	145 20
Thomas Clinton and wife,	93 30
Mrs. D. M. Wiggins and child,	78 80
Mrs. W. W. Drake and three children,	56 00
Mrs. Berry and children,	56 00
Mrs. R. J. Jones and children,	56 00
Jesse McKay, wife, and child,	70 50
Mrs. L. R. Redding and children,	178 40
Mrs. L. Campbell,	67 20
Mrs. P. Cooper,	31 10
James Long and wife,	93 30
J. B. Higginbotham,	62 20
Mrs. D. Johnson,	62 20
Mrs. B. M. Drake,	62 20

WOODVILLE DISTRICT.

James L. Forsyth, P. E.

Woodville Station, William H. Watkins.
 Wilkinson, Parmenas Howard.
 Amité, John Ritchey.
 Buffalo, James S. Parker.
 Bayou Sara, Daniel C. Langford.
 Jackson, La., Charles G. Andrews.
 Clinton, La., Alexander M. Campbell.
 Pipkin's Chapel, Robert B. Downer.
 East Feliciana, James A. Godfrey.
 East Baton Rouge, Newton B. Young.
 Meadville, Ephraim A. Flowers.
 Homochitto Mission, Philip S. Petty.
 Centenary College, C. G. Andrews, President.

SUMMIT DISTRICT.

Archibald B. Nicholson, P. E.

Summit, Archibald B. Nicholson.
 Holmesville, Henry P. Lewis.
 McComb City Mission, Erastus R. Strickland.
 St. Helena, Calvin C. Watkins.
 Greensburg, David P. Bradford.
 Union, Thomas Price, one to be supplied.
 Covington, Lewis R. Featherstun, George T. Vickers, Sup.
 Franklinton, Epaphroditus W. Simmons.
 Big Creek Mission, Seaborn R. Hyde.

BROOKHAVEN DISTRICT.

Wm. E. M. Linfield, P. E.

Brookhaven Station, H. Walter Featherstun.
 Bogue Chitto Mission, John W. Sandell.
 Scotland, William Wadsworth.
 Brandywine, Columbus W. Campbell.
 Crystal Springs Station, William E. Ballard, Henry P. Bowen.
 Terry, Henry J. Harris.
 Hazlehurst, Corydon Chamberlin.
 Zion, Elisha F. Mullins.
 Georgetown, Bascom T. Pearson.
 Providence, Pinckney A. Johnson.
 Raymond, George F. Thompson.
 Beauregard, Edwin H. Mounger.
 Monticello, John J. Clark.
 Whitworth College, Harvey F. Johnson, President.

BRANDON DISTRICT.

Francis M. Williams, P. E.

Brandon Station, William H. Leith.
 Fannin, Walter W. Hurst.

Garlandsville, Thomas S. West.
 Raleigh, Robert A. Sibley.
 Trenton, John Evans.
 Morton, Claiborne McDonald, J. N. Williams, Sup.
 Philadelphia, John A. Vance.
 Hillsboro, George W. Chatfield.
 Walnut, Joseph B. K. Smith.
 Centerville, Levi P. Meador.
 Forest and Lake, John D. Hays.

MERIDIAN DISTRICT.

Wm. B. Hines, P. E.

Meridian Station, Joshua T. Heard.
 De Kalb, to be supplied.
 Spring Hill, Daniel G. W. Ellis.
 Toomsaba and Marion, John C. Brogan, Alex. L. McBryde.
 Enterprise Station, Ulysses B. Philips, Wm. Spillman, Sup.
 Enterprise, Thomas Y. Armstrong.
 Quitman, James Shanks.
 Clarke, Francis Walker.
 Shubuta, James M. Gann.
 De Soto, George M. Gilmore.
 Waynesboro, James W. McLaurin.
 Wayne, Duncan A. Little.
 Paulding, Jacob H. Holland.
 East Mississippi Female College, John W. Adkisson, President; John A. Ellis, Agent.

SEA-SHORE DISTRICT.

Charles F. Gillespie, P. E.

Mount Carmel, Henry Moore.
 Rankin, Louis Kendall.
 Columbia, Charles R. Benson.
 Pearlinton, David A. Givens.
 Ocean Springs, Joseph Nicholson.
 White Plains, Joseph W. Hall.
 Enon, D. Merchant.
 East Pascagoula, Benjamin Jones.
 Chickasaha and Green Mission, to be supplied (by G. W. Davidson).
 Taylorsville Mission, Lyman Carley.

J. M. Mitchell transferred to North Mississippi Conference.

E. Hicks transferred to St. Louis Conference.

W. J. Bullivant and R. Burnip transferred to Illinois Conference.

14. — NORTH MISSISSIPPI CONFERENCE.

HELD AT GRENADA, MISS., Nov. 26—Dec. 2, 1873.

BISHOP PAINE, *President*; JOHN BARCROFT, *Secretary*.

QUESTION 1. Who are admitted on trial?

ANSWER. W. L. Peebles, Nimrod P. Johnson, John R. Allen, C. L. Bates, Samuel J. Montgomery, Richard F. Chew, Daniel N. Foose, William J. O'Bryant. 8.

Ques. 2. Who remain on trial?

James Wilkinson, J. W. Gooch, T. J. Taylor, Robert M. Davis, W. S. Lagrone, John Mitchell, Joseph S. Oakley, David Plews, W. Ira Smith, James M. Owen, R. A. Ellis, James M. Mitchell, W. D. Matthews, D. S. Hearon, Quincy A. Oats, John M. Dunn. 16.

Ques. 3. Who are discontinued?

Zachariah Bays, Henry C. Parrott, Zachariah V. Tate, Thomas Cotton. 4.

Ques. 4. Who are admitted into full connection?

James T. Cunningham, Robert P. Mitchell, Benjamin D. Brown, Wm. B. Mitchell, Thos. G. Randle, David O. Hughes, Thomas W. Dye, J. W. Lowrance. 8.

Ques. 5. Who are readmitted?

William T. Ashford. 1.

Ques. 6. Who are received by transfer from other Conferences?

James M. Mitchell, H. D. Howell, R. G. Porter, Thomas L. Foster, Daniel S. Hearon, Thos. Joyner. 6.

Ques. 7. Who are the deacons of one year?

S. W. Miller, J. J. Brooks, John McElhannon, P. M. Marmon, A. W. Langley, Benjamin D. Brown, S. C. Stone, Edward H. Moon, Henry E. Smith, B. F. Morris, A. J. Foster, L. D. Worsham. 12.

Ques. 8. What traveling preachers are elected deacons?

Thomas G. Randle, J. W. Lowrance, Robert P. Mitchell. 3.

Ques. 9. What traveling preachers are ordained deacons?

Thomas G. Randle, J. W. Lowrance, Robert P. Mitchell. 3.

Ques. 10. What local preachers are elected deacons?

Elijah J. McCauley, Richard W. Davis, John G. W. Brown, S. B. Dykes, John A. Egger. 5.

Ques. 11. What local preachers are ordained deacons?

John G. W. Brown. 1.

Ques. 12. What traveling preachers are elected elders?

C. J. Nugent, T. W. Dye, J. D. Murff, Thos. Cameron, J. M. Boon. 5.

Ques. 13. What traveling preachers are ordained elders?

C. J. Nugent, T. W. Dye, J. D. Murff, Thos. Cameron, J. M. Boon. 5.

Ques. 14. What local preachers are elected elders?

Abner D. Porter, Ethelbert Rankin, Madison L. Aldridge. 3.

Ques. 15. What local preachers are ordained elders?

Madison L. Aldridge. 1.

Ques. 16. Who are located this year?

None.

Ques. 17. Who are supernumerary?

D. O. Hughes, P. J. Eckles, M. L. Martin, W. E. Ellis, J. B. Price, R. W. Yancey, T. W. Castles, J. O. Woodward, A. A. Houston, Wm. Irby, J. P. Commander, A. R. Hines, F. A. Owen, William M. Ross. 14.

Ques. 18. Who are superannuated?

W. J. Reeves, Kinchen Adams, W. S. Jones, Robert Martin, E. J. Williams, L. H. Davis, Nathaniel Thomas, W. L. Bonner, H. Williamson, W. C. Green, A. B. Fly, Geo. Shaeffer. 12.

Ques. 19. What preachers have died during the past year?

John Young, Miles H. Ford. 2.

JOHN YOUNG was born Sept. 17, 1781; was converted to God in 1802, and licensed to preach in 1814, by Learner Blackman; was ordained a deacon in Huntsville, Ala., by Bishop Roberts, and an elder by Bishop Andrew, at Holly Springs, Miss. He was, for the most part of his ministerial life, a laborer in our home missionary fields, principally among the people of color: His labors were owned of God, and hundreds of souls were brought from darkness to light through his instrumentality, and will rise up in the judgment of the great day and call him blessed. He possessed but little of that beauty and strength which education gives to the mind and the life, having had few, if any, advantages in early life; but he had an earnest, fervent spirit, always alive to the promotion of the glory of God among the congregations which he served, and to the fullest extent of his powers and attainments

he did the work of a preacher in his own plain and simple style, being instant in season and out of season. He maintained a spotless moral character in the Church of God for upward of seventy years, and a life of ministerial usefulness without reproach for fifty-nine years. He was regarded by those who knew him most intimately as having grown in piety as his years increased. Hence his path was as that of the just that shineth more and more unto the perfect day. He passed peacefully and triumphantly from the Church on earth to the Church in heaven, May 23, 1873, aged ninety-one years, eight months, and six days.

MILES HARPER FORD was born June 24, 1822. He embraced religion and joined the M. E. Church, South, in 1846; was licensed to preach in 1848, having filled the office of class-leader the two years preceding. He joined the Memphis Conference in 1850. His death occurred Dec. 27, 1872. He had filled the Grenada, Coffeeville, Paris, Pontotoc, Okolona, Oxford, Houston, Salem, Chulahoma, Marshall, and Byhalia Circuits, and Byhalia and New Salem Station. Our brother was an able minister of Jesus Christ. He had a comprehensive understanding of the whole system of Christianity, and was an able and ready defender of the faith. His earnest prayers, his gift of song, his logical sermons, and persuasive exhortations, achieved glorious results. Many and gracious were the revivals in which he was the chief instrument. Souls were won for Christ, the Church was increased and strengthened, the work of God prospered in his hands, and his soul was satisfied. The hardships of twenty-two years of itinerant life, the sacrifices he made, what he did for the world, what he suffered in his conflicts with the powers of darkness, how he wrestled for the mastery, his defeats and his triumphs, his joys and his sorrows—all these are with God, and he will reward according to his own righteous goodness. A life so nobly spent must have a triumphant close. At the last session of the North Mississippi Conference he was returned to the Marshall Circuit, and immediately began the toils of the year. The Sabbath next preceding his death he attended his last appointment, and the next day went home, never to renew the contest. For months his health had been feeble, and now, attacked by one of the most violent of diseases, his already overtaxed constitution rapidly gave way beneath the strokes of the destroyer. His sufferings were intense, but he bore them with perfect resignation, gently chiding the beloved ones who were weeping around his bed, and endeavoring, with repeated references to the inspired word, and quotation after quotation from the precious hymns of the Church, to prepare them for the terrible trial just ahead of them. As nearer and nearer came the fatal hour, resigning himself into the hands of God, he called up all his strength, and, struggling upon the brink of the grave, he gave out, as significant of triumph, that grand utterance of the Psalmist: "I shall be

satisfied when I awake with thy likeness." And when the final moment came, his faltering lips murmured in low but distinct whisper these joyous words, "Nearer, my God, to thee, nearer to thee;" a change transcendently beautiful passed over his countenance, and the soul, dismissed from the body, was borne by angels to join the company of the saved at God's right hand. Thus lived and died one of the truest of Christian men—one whom his brethren all devotedly loved.

Ques. 20. Are all the preachers blameless in their life and official administration?

Their names were called over, one by one, and their characters examined and passed.

Ques. 21. What is the number of local preachers and members in the several circuits, stations, and missions of the Conference?

Holly Springs District.

	White Mem's.	Cold Mem's.	Loc'l Pr's.
Holly Springs Station	159	.....	2
Holly Springs Circuit	364	.....	2
Byhalia and New Salem	331	.....	.....
Emory Circuit	344	.....	1
Marshall	419	.....	2
Early Grove	100	.....	.....
Lamar	235	.....	2
Salem	270	.....	1
Hickory Flat	236	.....	1
Cornersville	324	.....	2
	2782	.....	13

Hernando District.

Hernando and Cold Water	146	.....	2
Hernando Circuit	238	.....	4
Pleasant Hill	144	.....	2
Longtown	333	.....	3
Sardis and Davis Chapel	172	.....	.....
Como and Fredonia	70	.....	.....
Senatobia	368	.....	2
Cockrum	411	.....	3
Chulahoma	500	.....	2
Tyro	207	.....	.....
	2589	.....	18

Tuka District.

Tuka Station	156	.....	3
Tuka Circuit	373	.....	2
Corinth Station	174	.....	2
Corinth Circuit	228	.....	1
Booneville Station	182	.....	1
Carolina	278	.....	8
Kossuth	461	.....	.....
Jonesboro	316	.....	1
Enon Mission	126	.....	1
Ripley	470	.....	9
Rienzi and Jacinto	174	.....	3
Yellow Creek Mission	295	.....	7
	3233	.....	38

Verona District.

Verona Station	130	.....	.....
Tapelo	233	.....	3
Baldwyn	335	.....	4
New Albany	273	.....	2
Pontotoc	350	.....	.....
Okolona Station	75	.....	.....
Okolona Circuit	435	.....	4
Fulton	350	.....	6
Richmond	476	.....	8
Saltillo	315	.....	6

Verona District (continued).

	White Mem's.	Col'd Mem's.	Loc'l Pr's.
Marietta.....	396	.....	7
Bay Springs Mission.....	272	.....	3
	3640	.....	42

Columbus District.

	White Mem's.	Col'd Mem's.	Loc'l Pr's.
Columbus Station.....	230	.....	1
Columbus Circuit.....	346	.....	1
Athens.....	320	.....	4
Aberdeen Station.....	134	.....	.....
Vinton.....	146	.....	1
West Point Station.....	60	.....	1
Houston.....	794	.....	4
Sparta.....	306	.....	4
Line Creek.....	269	.....	3
	2605	.....	19

Macon District.

	White Mem's.	Col'd Mem's.	Loc'l Pr's.
Macon Station.....	156	.....	.....
Shuqulak.....	300	.....	2
Brooksville.....	215	.....	1
Crawfordsville.....	120	.....	1
Mayhew.....	149	.....	2
La Grange.....	600	.....	3
Plattsburg.....	220	.....	2
Louisville.....	334	.....	4
Perkinsville.....	230	.....	1
Starkville Station.....	151	.....	.....
	2375	.....	16

Grenada District.

	White Mem's.	Col'd Mem's.	Loc'l Pr's.
Grenada Station.....	132	.....	1
Water Valley Station.....	319	.....	5
Water Valley Circuit.....	225	.....	3
Oxford Station.....	110	.....	1
Oxford Circuit.....	498	.....	4
La Fayette Springs.....	482	.....	1
Banner.....	568	.....	5
Calhoun.....	507	.....	5
Grenada Circuit.....	413	.....	2
Coffeeville.....	409	.....	.....
Charleston.....	248	.....	3
Panola.....	707	.....	4
	4618	.....	34

Yazoo District.

	White Mem's.	Col'd Mem's.	Loc'l Pr's.
Black Hawk.....	586	.....	5
Richland.....	193	.....	3
Durant.....	202	.....	4
Winona.....	450	.....	4
Lobutchka Mission.....	118	.....	.....
Kosciusko and Bethel.....	237	.....	3
Attala.....	491	.....	1
Liberty.....	355	.....	2
Newport.....	125	.....	.....
Valley.....	125	.....	1
Vaiden.....	225	.....	.....
Bellfontaine.....	330	.....	4
	3437	.....	27

Greenville District.

	White Mem's.	Col'd Mem's.	Loc'l Pr's.
Greenville Station.....	34	.....	1
Leota and Lake Lee.....	.....	.....	.....
Jones's Bayou.....	84	.....	.....
Deer Creek.....	68	.....	1
Lake Bolivar (no report).....	.....	.....	.....
Concordia.....	82	.....	.....
Friar's Point.....	43	.....	.....
Clarksdale.....	20	.....	1
Indian Bayou.....	100	.....	.....
Cassida Mission.....	90	.....	2
	521	.....	5

Recapitulation.

	White Mem's.	Col'd Mem's.	Loc'l Pr's.
Holly Springs District.....	2782	.....	13
Hernando.....	2589	.....	18
Inka.....	3233	.....	38
Verona.....	3640	.....	42
Columbus.....	2605	.....	19
Macon.....	2375	.....	16
Grenada.....	4618	.....	34
Yazoo.....	3437	.....	27
Greenville.....	521	.....	5
Total this year.....	25,800	.....	212
Total last year.....	25,081	.....	213
Increase.....	719	.....	.....
Decrease.....	.....	.....	1

Ques. 22. How many infants have been baptized during the year?
806.

Ques. 23. How many adults have been baptized during the year?
1376.

Ques. 24. What is the number of Sunday-schools?
253.

Ques. 25. What is the number of Sunday-school teachers?
1259.

Ques. 26. What is the number of Sunday-school scholars?
9541.

Ques. 27. What amount is necessary for the superannuated preachers, and the widows and orphans of preachers?
\$2,725.

Ques. 28. What has been collected on the foregoing account, and how has it been applied?
Collected, \$1,949 55. Distributed among the claimants.

Ques. 29. What has been contributed for missions?
\$2,594 80.

Ques. 30. Where shall the next session of the Conference be held?
At Aberdeen, Miss.

Ques. 31. Where are the preachers stationed this year?

HOLLY SPRINGS DISTRICT.

Philip Tuggle, P. E.

Holly Springs Station, Clarence J. Nugent,
David O. Hughes, Sup.
Holly Springs Circuit, Daniel L. Cogdell.
Early Grove and Carmel, Joshua K. Morris.
Byhalia and New Salem, James W. Honnoll.
Emory, Thomas G. Freeman, P. J. Eckles, Sup.
Marshall, Robert P. Mitchell.
Ashland, Hiram R. Caldwell.
Salem, Benjamin D. Brown.
Hudsonville and Sylvestria, Thomas Joyner.
Cornersville, Peter M. Marmon.
Hickory Flat, James M. Mitchell.

HERNANDO DISTRICT.

Joseph H. Brooks, P. E.

Hernando and Cold Water, John Barcroft.
Hernando Circuit, Murdock M. Dunn.
Pleasant Hill, Joseph J. Brooks.
Longtown, William B. Mitchell.
Sardis and Davis Chapel, Thomas W. Dye.
Como and Fredonia, Samuel C. Stone.
Senatobia, Jesse W. Luter.
Cockrum, Henry C. Morehead.
Chulahoma, Tilman Page, Samuel J. Montgomery.
Tyro, Nimrod P. Johnson.

IUKA DISTRICT.

James D. Cameron, P. E.

Iuka Station, Thomas S. Campbell.
Iuka Circuit, Robert A. Neblett.
Burnsville Circuit, Daniel N. Foose.
Corinth Station, John C. Lowe.
Corinth Circuit, Joseph Johnson.
Booneville and Rienzi, Thomas Cameron, M. L. Martin, Sup.
Jacinto Station, John W. Lowrance, William E. Ellis, Sup.
Carolina, James M. Owen.
Kossuth Station, David Plews.
Kossuth Circuit, J. W. Gooch.
{ Jonesboro Circuit, to be supplied (by D. W. Babb).
{ Ripley Mission, Samuel P. Carson.
Ripley, Thomas P. Ramsey.
Hatchie Mission, William Ira Smith.
Corinth Female College, Lorenzo Lea, President.
Iuka Female Institute, J. E. Douglass, President.

VERONA DISTRICT.

Joseph B. Stone, P. E.

Verona Station, Thomas C. Wier.
Okolona Station, John R. Allen.
Tupelo, James A. Peebles.
Pontotoc, Edward H. Moon.
Baldwyn, Benjamin W. Stubbs.
Saltillo, John McElhannon.
Richmond, William D. Matthews.
Fulton, to be supplied (by J. W. Perry).
New Albany, David Fleming.
Marietta, Thomas J. Taylor, J. B. Price, Sup.
Okolona Circuit, Samuel W. Miller, R. W. Yancey, Sup.
Bay Springs, to be supplied (by Hardin Patterson).
Verona Female College, T. C. Wier, President; James T. Cunningham, Agent.

COLUMBUS DISTRICT.

T. Y. Ramsey, P. E.

Columbus Station, William S. Harrison.
Columbus Circuit, Henry E. Smith.
Athens, Isaac N. Reeves.
Aberdeen Station, William Shepherd.
Vinton, William L. Peebles.
West Point and Tibbee, Chrisenberry L. Bates.

Houston, James M. Hampton, A. J. Foster.
Sparta, Thomas J. Lowry.
Line Creek, to be supplied (by Wiley Lewis), T. W. Castles, Sup.

MACON DISTRICT.

Archibald C. Allen, P. E.

Macon Station, E. E. Hamilton.
Brooksville, James L. Futrell.
Crawfordsville, R. G. Porter.
Starkville Station, to be supplied (by R. M. Bowers).
La Grange, W. R. Rainey.
Louisville, James G. Carlisle, J. O. Woodward, Sup.
Plattsburg, Benjamin F. Morris.
Perkinsville, L. Massingale.
Shuqulak, Alexius W. Langley.

GRENADA DISTRICT.

Amos Kendall, P. E.

Grenada Station, Samuel R. Brewer.
Grenada Circuit, H. D. Howell.
Water Valley Station, Elias Jackson.
Oxford Station, J. J. Wheat.
Oxford Circuit, J. W. Poston, R. A. Ellis, A. A. Houston, Sup.
Eureka, B. B. Brown.
Batesville Circuit, J. W. Bates.
Charleston, Wm. J. O'Bryant.
Coffeeville, George W. Boyls.
Calhoun, Ben. H. Bounds.
Banner, G. W. Bachman.
La Fayette Springs, R. M. Davis, Wm. Irby, Sup.

YAZOO DISTRICT.

Kenneth A. Jones, P. E.

Black Hawk, William P. Barton.
Winona and Carrollton, Daniel S. Hearon.
Winona, Thomas C. Parrish.
Vaiden, George W. Brown.
Durant, A. M. Barrington.
Richland, James M. Boon.
Attala, George D. Wade, W. M. Ross, Sup.
Newport, John Mitchell, J. P. Commander, Sup.
Kosciusko and Bethel, A. P. Sage, A. R. Hines, Sup.
{ Liberty, Joseph D. Newsom.
{ Zilpah Mission, to be supplied (by S. D. Murff).
Bellfontaine, William S. Lagrone.
{ Greenwood, Lorenzo D. Worsham.
{ McNutt, to be supplied (by J. C. Carlyle).
Yazoo District High School, T. A. S. Adams, President.

GREENVILLE DISTRICT.

J. P. Dancer, P. E.

Greenville Station, Francis Howarth.
Deer Creek and Lake Lee, to be supplied (by Noel R. Hamer).
Indian Bayou, James D. Murff.
Jones's Bayou, W. T. Ashford.
Lake Bolivar and Glencoe, Joseph S. Oakley.
Riverton and Beulah, Quincey A. Oates.

Concordia Station, John F. Truslow.
 Friar's Point Station, John F. Markham.
 Clarksdale and Cherry Hill, James Wilkinson.
 Cassida, H. H. Thacker.
 Austin Station and Tunica Mission, J. W.
 Knott, F. A. Owen, Sup.

F. S. Petway, T. R. Luter, Thos. G. Randle,
 transferred to Memphis Conference.

Orlando P. Thomas transferred to Arkansas
 Conference, and stationed at Dardanelle.

James D. Whitehead and F. G. Hocutt trans-
 ferred to North-west Texas Conference.

Joseph B. Cottrell transferred to Alabama
 Conference.

Moses L. White transferred to North Ala-
 bama Conference.

R. F. Chew transferred to St. Louis Confer-
 ence.

15.—MEMPHIS CONFERENCE.

HELD AT JACKSON, TENN., *Nov. 26-Dec. 2, 1873.*

BISHOP MCTYEIRE, *President*; WM. C. JOHNSON, *Secretary*.

QUESTION 1. Who are admitted on trial?

ANSWER. Wm. W. Scott, Joseph M. Max-
 well, George H. Martin, James G. Clark, John
 H. Priddy, William M. Leatherwood, Albert
 F. Hendrix, Henry C. Gamble, Amos B. Jones,
 John H. Johnson, David Leath, James M.
 Beard, Charles Y. Rankin, William L. Duck-
 worth, Oliver P. Parker, Benjamin H. Burrow,
 Jacob Sullivan, Kinian S. Stewart, William H.
 Evans. 19.

Ques. 2. Who remain on trial?

Daniel A. Ross, Thomas A. Atkinson, Rich-
 ard L. West, William C. Sellars, L. Green
 Watkins, F. B. Davis. 6.

Ques. 3. Who are discontinued?

Wm. M. Baskerville, Lucius I. Lasley. 2.

Ques. 4. Who are admitted into full connec-
 tion?

John H. Scruggs, William O. Lanier, Henry
 M. Sears, Samson T. Lane, William B. Little-
 john, Samuel B. Love, Robt. A. Sawrie, Thos.
 E. Hall, Thos. J. McGill, Wm. Hay. 10.

Ques. 5. Who are readmitted?

Richmond S. Harris. 1.

Ques. 6. Who are received by transfer from
 other Conferences?

Samuel A. Mason, from St. Louis Confer-
 ence; Ferdinand S. Petway, Thomas R. Luter,
 Thomas G. Randle, from North Mississippi
 Conference; Thomas G. Whitten, from North
 Alabama Conference. 5.

Ques. 7. Who are the deacons of one year?

Jas. W. Atkinson, Junius P. Walker, Thos.
 F. Sanders, Jas. C. Hooks, Nathaniel Futrell,
 Reuben R. Nelson. 6.

Ques. 8. What traveling preachers are elected
 deacons?

John H. Scruggs, Henry M. Sears, Samson
 T. Lane, William B. Littlejohn, Samuel B.
 Love, Robert A. Sawrie, William Hay. 7.

Ques. 9. What traveling preachers are or-
 dained deacons?

John H. Scruggs, Henry M. Sears, Samson
 T. Lane, William B. Littlejohn, Samuel B.
 Love, Robert A. Sawrie, William Hay. 7.

Ques. 10. What local preachers are elected
 deacons?

William M. Leatherwood, William F. Camp-
 bell, Cullen Strickland, John C. Sprinkles,
 Isaac N. Robinson, Harden J. Turner, John T.
 Irion, Robert L. Coleman, James M. Hearn,
 David Leath. 10.

Ques. 11. What local preachers are ordained
 deacons?

William M. Leatherwood, William F. Camp-
 bell, Cullen Strickland, Isaac N. Robinson,
 John T. Irion, Robert L. Coleman, James M.
 Hearn, David Leath. 8.

Ques. 12. What traveling preachers are
 elected elders?

Jarrett S. Renshaw, William M. Patterson,
 James D. Bush. 3.

Ques. 13. What traveling preachers are or-
 dained elders?

Jarrett S. Renshaw, William M. Patterson,
 James D. Bush. 3.

Ques. 14. What local preachers are elected
 elders?

Oliver P. Parker, Ivey W. Lawrence, Robert
 M. Dickinson. 3.

Ques. 15. What local preachers are ordained
 elders?

Oliver P. Parker, Robert M. Dickinson,
 Louis R. Martin, James M. Baxter. 4.

Howard S. Morgan, from the General Bap-
 tist Church, having taken upon him our ordi-
 nation vows, was recognized in elder's orders.

Ques. 16. Who are located this year?

W. B. Quinn, Simpson Weaver, B. M. Bur-
 row. 3.

Ques. 17. Who are supernumerary?

William J. Mahon, J. C. Crews, Thomas C. Ellis, M. D. Robinson, D. M. K. Collins, James Perry, J. A. Fife, W. D. F. Hafford, Findley Bynum, Nathan Sullivan. 10.

Ques. 18. Who are superannuated?

William D. Scott, James M. Major, Jeremiah Moss, Clement C. Glover, Thomas J. Neely, James W. Mathis, Henry Bell, R. H. Burns, Benjamin Peoples, Thomas P. Davidson. 10.

Ques. 19. What preachers have died during the past year?

John T. Baskerville, George W. D. Harris. 2.

JOHN T. BASKERVILLE was born, in Mecklenburg county, Va., Feb. 17, 1803, and graduated in medicine, in the city of Baltimore, in 1822. He made a public profession of faith in Christ and joined the Methodist Church, under the ministry of the Rev. John W. Childs, in 1833. He was licensed to preach at a Quarterly Conference held at Jackson, Tenn., Feb. 11, 1839, by the Rev. Thomas Joyner, now of the Memphis, then of the Tennessee, Conference. The papers furnished do not state when or where he was admitted on trial into the traveling connection; but it is known that he was ordained a deacon by Bishop Andrew, at Jackson, Tenn., in the autumn of 1840. The Doctor was stationed in Somerville, Tenn., 1841-3, two years. At the close of his useful pastorate in that place he was most happily married to Miss Margaret P. Malone, the mother of his three surviving children. His next appointment, it is believed, was to the agency of the Memphis Conference Female Institute. His services were invaluable in establishing that old and prosperous school of the Memphis Conference. He was subsequently agent for the La Grange College, then the joint property of the Memphis and Tennessee Conferences. In the financial interests of those two institutions of learning he traveled, as the appointee of his Conference, from 1843 to 1849. From the latter date to 1851 he was the preacher in charge of the Wesley Circuit, and 1851-3 he traveled the Somerville Circuit. He often referred to those circuits with just pride as the very best representatives of the great missionary enterprise of the Church. At the Conference of 1853 he was placed on the supernumerary list, which relation he sustained to the Conference until the close of his useful life, May 1, 1873. It is proper to state, in this connection, that he was married the second time, in 1857, to Mrs. A. T. Hare, a lady of much devotion to the Church, and of fine accomplishments, who survives to mourn her great loss. Dr. Baskerville has often been heard to state, in public and in private circles, that he was a great sinner, saved by grace. In grateful expressions he would acknowledge the influence of his deeply pious Presbyterian mother as the chief instrument in turning him from excessive wickedness to a life of decided piety. Those qualities that made him chief among sinners would,

when properly directed, make him a prince in the Church of Christ. More than half of his valuable life was given to the interests of the Church, which he loved with all the ardor of his warm and impulsive nature. His last years were spent in an appreciative review of the standard authors of the Methodist Church, and his conversations and pulpit ministrations showed familiarity with those profound thinkers and writers of Christian theology. The Doctor made an impression for good on the generation which he faithfully served. It would follow, from the foregoing, that this servant of God would be ready when the summons should come; and so he was. Just before he died he sent a message to an old friend, who was in age and feebleness extreme, that he (the Doctor) would be the first to get home. He expressed much affection for his brethren in the ministry; and for his two sons, both of whom are members of the Memphis Conference, he could desire nothing more than that they should be faithful ambassadors for Christ. In many aspects of his character we admired our Brother Baskerville while living, and we revere his memory now that he is dead. His place among us is vacant. We miss him, and would only add:

Servant of God, well done—
Rest from thy loved employ;
The battle fought, the victory won,
Enter thy Master's joy.

GEORGE WASHINGTON DAVIDSON HARRIS was born, in Montgomery county, N. C., Jan. 25, 1797. He was married to Miss Elizabeth Davidson, Sept. 19, 1819, with whom he lived in love and peace for over fifty-two years. We are not able to state the time and circumstances of his conversion—that event which changes man's heart and destiny; but it must have occurred before he had passed the freshness of youth, for we find him responding to the heavenly call and receiving license to preach the gospel in 1824. This was under the eldership of William McMahan, of illustrious memory. A full list of appointments traveled by George W. D. Harris, from his admission into the Tennessee Conference in 1824 to the end of his long career, would occupy too much space in this memorial. His first appointment was Pond Spring, in 1825 Bedford Circuit, 1826 Winchester Circuit, 1827 Lincoln Circuit, 1828 Stone's River, 1829-30 Nashville Circuit. In 1831 he was appointed Presiding Elder of the Paris District, which office in the Church he continued to fill, except one year, when he was agent for Andrew College, until the accumulated infirmities of age compelled him, at our Conference in 1870, to accept a superannuated relation. This he did with painful reluctance, grieving to cease from active labors in his Master's vineyard, but with hope that a year's rest would restore him to his "loved employ." Alas! that hope was vain. His physical powers gradually yielded under the weight of years, until a severe attack of pneumonia brought a final release from life's toils, Dec. 9,

1872. This event—so sad to us, so joyous to him—occurred at his residence in Dyersburg, Tenn., in the midst of friends, brethren, and children. A career so long and conspicuous—a life so devoted to man, to the Church, and to God—a name so honored and so historical—surely deserves a more extended and minute memorial than can be now and here presented. "His works do follow him;" and, should his biography never be written, his own handwriting on the age which he adorned will send his name down to posterity wreathed with reverence and love. Dr. Harris was, in many respects, one of the fathers of our Conference. "When the Memphis Conference was constituted, in Nov., 1840," says one of our Bishops, "G. W. D. Harris naturally found his place at the head of it, and his brethren had the wisdom and the grace to keep him there. His decision, his practical wisdom, his love of the Church's welfare, and his jealousy for its honor, commanded for his opinions marked deference. 'Unto him men gave ear, and waited, and kept silence at his counsel.'" He was a man of great strength of will and firmness of purpose—of clear perceptions, deep and honest convictions, untiring energy, ardent and holy zeal, a fervent spirit, and reverent piety. In the pulpit—whether in the city or under the campground shelter—he had few peers and fewer superiors. He was a powerful preacher—in gigantic thought, in forcible utterance, in authoritative delivery, in spiritual unction—a powerful preacher. He was a model of orthodoxy; he loved simple Bible truth with all the fervor of a great and confiding heart, and preached it to the people as the message of God. Perhaps no one in his age brought more sinners to Christ, established and organized more churches, inducted more young men into the ministry, than did this ever-active minister of the gospel. But his labors were not limited by the narrow bounds of the Memphis Conference: Dr. Harris was known to the entire Methodism of the United States as one of their wise, safe, and sagacious counselors in the General Conference, of which he was a working member in 1832-36-44, when the Church was divided, and then in 1846-50-54-58-66; was a member of the Southern General Convention in 1845, and was elected to the General Conference of 1862, which failed to meet because of the civil war, and to the General Conference of 1870, which his own ill health prevented him from attending. In these assemblages of the chief council of the Church he held a noble place; his opinions were respected, his talents were admired, his force in debate was acknowledged, his safe and conservative counsels were valued. The impress of his clear and discriminative intelligence is stamped upon the Methodist Discipline in every department of our practical economy. He possessed, in a large degree, the talent of organization and administration. In the office of Presiding Elder, which he held through a generation, in spite of his seeming dignity and sternness, he was kind, gentle, and fatherly to the young

preacher, and respectfully affectionate toward his elderly brethren. He knew and practiced the happy art of getting the most efficient work out of the preachers of his charge, and seldom indeed did his District fail to bring up an honorable report. In these and in many other respects he was a model Presiding Elder. But time fails us to enumerate the many virtues that ennobled the life and labors of Father Harris, and we must close this sorrowful sketch of his life with the record of his death. This event, as before stated, occurred in Dyersburg, Tenn., Dec. 9, 1872. He was taken ill the day after his return from our last session at Somerville. His sufferings were great, but his uncomplaining patience and steadfast faith were greater. He said it was all right, and that the religion he had so long recommended to others sustained him in this last affliction. Being conscious of approaching dissolution, he expressed a perfect willingness to depart and be with Christ. He had preached his last sermon—a rich exhibition of divine truth—on Sunday afternoon of our last session, and now comes to lay down his charge with his well-worn body, "And cease at once to work and live." He met death as he had met the responsibilities of life—calmly, fearlessly, trusting all to God in Christ Jesus.

Ques. 20. Are all the preachers blameless in their life and official administration?

Their names were called over, one by one, and their characters examined and passed, except in the case of Samuel Watson, who during the year had surrendered his credentials and withdrawn from the Church; his name was stricken from the roll.

Ques. 21. What is the number of local preachers and members in the several circuits stations, and missions of the Conference?

Memphis District.

	White Mem's.	Col'd Mem's.	Loc'l Pr's.
Memphis:			
First Church.....	493	.....	1
German Mission.....	.....	.....	.....
Central Church.....	205	.....	3
Hernando Street.....	268	.....	.....
Saffarans Street and City Mission...	80	.....	.....
Greenwood.....	.....	.....	.....
Georgia St. and Nonconnah Miss...	85	.....	1
Springdale and Mount Vernon.....	114	.....	2
Bethlehem.....	218	.....	3
Collierville.....	314	.....	2
La Grange.....	375	.....	1
Macon.....	195	.....	.....
Oakland Circuit and Mission.....	172	.....	2
Bartlett.....	241	.....	1
	2760	.....	16

Somerville District.

Somerville.....	122	.....	.....
Bolivar.....	103	.....	2
Middleburg Mission.....	140	.....	2
Whiteville.....	466	.....	6
Dancyville.....	332	.....	4
Stanton.....	268	.....	2
Braden.....	208	.....	.....
Covington and Tabernacle.....	330	.....	3
Mount Zion.....	610	.....	5
Embury.....	386	.....	3
	2965	.....	27

Jackson District.

	White Mem's	Col'd Mem's	Loc'l Pr's
Jackson:			
Jackson Station.....	332	.....	4
Paine Chapel.....	150	.....	2
Jackson Circuit.....	489	.....	3
Trenton.....	130	.....	2
Brownsville.....	353	.....	3
Denmark.....	359	.....	1
Tabernacle.....	409	.....	4
Mifflin Mission.....	361	.....	1
Pinson.....	559	.....	5
Rock Spring.....	469	.....	4
Purdy.....	552	.....	7
Adamsville.....	405	.....	7
	4568	.....	43

Recapitulation.

	White Mem's	Col'd Mem's	Loc'l Pr's
Memphis District.....	2760	.....	16
Somerville ".....	2966	.....	27
Jackson ".....	4568	.....	43
Humboldt ".....	4619	.....	49
Dresden ".....	5565	.....	45
Paducah ".....	3844	.....	45
Paris ".....	5643	.....	57
Total this year.....	29,964	.....	282
Total last year.....	28,254	.....	285
Increase.....	1,710	.....
Decrease.....		.....	3

Humboldt District.

Humboldt.....	160	.....	2
Milan and Bellville.....	231	.....	3
Trenton Circuit.....	851	.....	12
Alamo.....	402	.....	4
Friendship.....	512	.....	4
Dyersburg Station.....	108	.....	1
Dyersburg Circuit.....	546	.....	9
Ripley and Durhamville.....	162	.....	.....
Trinity.....	480	.....	5
Bethlehem.....	500	.....	5
Ashport Mission.....	86	.....	1
Yorkville.....	530	.....	2
Cool Spring Mission.....	51	.....	1
	4619	.....	49

Dresden District.

Dresden Station.....	150	.....	1
Dresden Circuit.....	675	.....	4
Hickman Station.....	120	.....	.....
Hickman Circuit.....	602	.....	3
Tiptonville.....	259	.....	6
Union City and Fulton.....	215	.....	2
Fulton Circuit.....	747	.....	1
McKenzie Station.....	130	.....	3
McKenzie Circuit.....	607	.....	6
Cottage Grove.....	347	.....	4
Boydsville.....	290	.....	2
Murray.....	746	.....	10
Troy.....	387	.....	3
Obion.....	290	.....	.....
	5565	.....	45

Paducah District.

Paducah Station.....	225	.....	2
Paducah Circuit.....	409	.....	2
Blandville Mission.....	195	.....	.....
Columbus.....	54	.....	1
Clinton.....	670	.....	7
Palestine.....	523	.....	5
Mayfield and Milburn.....	209	.....	5
Benton.....	513	.....	3
Wadesboro.....	392	.....	4
Birmingham.....	346	.....	6
Briensburg.....	303	.....	10
	3844	.....	45

Paris District.

Paris Station.....	132	.....	2
Paris Circuit.....	770	.....	5
Conyersville.....	470	.....	4
Camden.....	756	.....	5
Huntingdon.....	514	.....	4
Trezevant.....	288	.....	5
Kenton.....	306	.....	3
Salem.....	356	.....	4
Lexington.....	440	.....	4
Morgan's Creek.....	385	.....	6
Decaturville.....	604	.....	7
Saltillo.....	622	.....	8
	5643	.....	57

Ques. 22. How many infants have been baptized during the year?

746.

Ques. 23. How many adults have been baptized during the year?

1878.

Ques. 24. What is the number of Sunday-schools?

306.

Ques. 25. What is the number of Sunday-school teachers?

2117.

Ques. 26. What is the number of Sunday-school scholars?

15,291.

Ques. 27. What amount is necessary for the superannuated preachers, and the widows and orphans of preachers?

\$2,500.

Ques. 28. What has been collected on the foregoing account, and how has it been applied?

Collected, \$2,039 25. Distributed among the claimants.

Ques. 29. What has been contributed for missions?

\$4,785 55.

Ques. 30. Where shall the next session of the Conference be held?

At Humboldt, Tenn.

Ques. 31. Where are the preachers stationed this year?

MEMPHIS DISTRICT.

A. H. Thomas, P. E.

Memphis:

First Church, S. B. Suratt.

{ Central, E. C. Slater.

{ Greenwood, C. Collins.

Hernando Street, L. D. Mullins.

Saffarans Street Mission, James C. Hooks.

Georgia Street Mission, to be supplied.

Springdale, G. Jones.

Bethlehem, W. M. McFerrin.

Collierville, Thomas L. Boswell, W. W. Scott.

La Grange, P. T. Scruggs.

Saulsbury, William M. Leatherwood, J. A.

Fife, Sup.

Macon, David Leath.

Oakland Mission, S. B. Adams.

Bartlett, J. G. Acton.

State Female College, C. Collins, President.

Bellevue Female College, W. T. Plummer,
President.
Editor of *Western Methodist*, W. C. Johnson.

SOMERVILLE DISTRICT.

John Moss, P. E.

Somerville Station, D. R. S. Rosebrough, W.
D. F. Hafford, Sup.
Bolivar Station, William M. Patterson.
Middleburg Mission, D. A. Ross.
Whiteville, R. V. Taylor, J. M. Maxwell.
Dancyville, A. R. Wilson.
Stanton, Warner Moore.
Braden, Andrew C. Smith.
Covington and Tabernacle, J. M. Scott.
Mt. Zion, Geo. H. Martin, Jos. G. Clark.
Gratitude and Bethel, George B. Baskerville.
Embury, Samsom T. Lane.

JACKSON DISTRICT.

W. T. Harris, P. E.

Jackson:
First Church, James A. Heard.
Paine Chapel, A. L. Pritchett.
City Mission, Thomas Taylor, A. B. Jones.
Jackson Circuit, W. B. Seward, B. F. Black-
mon.
Humboldt Station, T. L. Beard.
Brownsville Station, S. W. Moore, J. Perry,
Sup.
Denmark, R. G. Rainey.
Tabernacle, C. J. Mauldin.
Mifflin, Albert F. Hendrix.
Pinson, R. A. Umsted.
Rock Spring, J. R. Sykes.
Purdy, John H. Priddy.
Adamsville, T. F. Saunders, S. B. Love.
Memphis Conference Female Institute, A. W.
Jones, President.

DYERSBURG DISTRICT.

B. A. Hayes, P. E.

Dyersburg Station, Charles Y. Rankin.
Dyersburg Circuit, J. P. Walker, Benj. H.
Burrow, W. J. Mahon, Sup.
Kenton, John Randle.
Bellevue and Alamo, W. L. Duckworth.
Trenton Station, Jarrett S. Renshaw.
Trenton Circuit, N. P. Ramsey, N. Sullivan,
Sup.
Lanefield, O. P. Parker.
Friendship, W. T. C. Young.
Ripley and Durhamville, Nathaniel Futrell.
Trinity, W. A. Cook.
Bethlehem, W. O. Lanier.
Yorkville, M. M. Taylor.
Ashport Mission, R. S. Harris.

DRESDEN DISTRICT.

J. H. Witt, P. E.

Dresden and McKenzie Station, J. E. Beck.
Dresden Circuit, J. M. Spence.
McKenzie, E. B. Plummer, Thomas Whitten,
J. C. Crews, Sup.

Hickman Station, J. D. Bush.
Hickman Circuit, Thomas E. Hall, F. Bynum,
Sup.
Fulton, J. T. C. Collins, D. M. K. Collins, Sup.
Dukedom, W. H. Frost.
Union City and Newbern, W. H. Leigh.
Tiptonville, R. E. Graves.
Cottage Grove, H. B. Covington.
Boydsville, W. C. Sellars.
Murray, J. G. Pirtle.
Troy, A. L. Hunsaker.
Obion, Thomas A. Atkinson, M. D. Robinson,
Sup.

PADUCAH DISTRICT.

H. B. Avery, P. E.

Paducah Station, R. H. Mahon.
Paducah Circuit, R. L. West.
Blandville, B. H. Bishop.
Barlow City Mission, Thomas G. Randle.
Columbus Station, J. W. Atkinson.
Clinton, J. M. Flatt.
Mayfield Station, T. P. Holman.
Mayfield Circuit, W. W. Faucett.
Milburn, L. G. Watkins.
Benton, J. V. Fly.
Wadesboro, Henry C. Gamble.
Birmingham, R. A. Sawrie.
Briensburg Mission, J. G. Glasgow.

PARIS DISTRICT.

J. H. Evans, P. E.

Paris Station, F. S. Petway.
Paris Circuit, T. J. McGill, W. H. Evans.
Conyersville, S. A. Mason.
Camden, T. R. Luter.
Huntingdon Station, J. M. Beard.
Huntingdon Circuit, F. B. Davis.
Trezevant, William Hay, T. C. Ellis, Sup.
Salem, H. M. Sears.
Milan, B. F. Peeples.
Lexington, G. K. Brooks.
Morgan's Creek, Jacob Sullivan.
Pleasant Ridge Mission, to be supplied.
Decaturville, R. R. Nelson.
Saltillo, R. S. Swift.

John H. Scruggs transferred to St. Louis
Conference, and appointed to Olivet Circuit.
Kinyon S. Stewart transferred to St. Louis
Conference, and appointed to Cuba Circuit.
John H. Johnson transferred to St. Louis
Conference, and appointed to St. Clair Circuit.
Thomas Joyner transferred to North Mis-
sissippi Conference.
G. B. Allen transferred to Baltimore Con-
ference.
M. H. Cullum transferred to Trinity (Texas)
Conference.
W. B. Littlejohn transferred to White River
Conference, and appointed to Augusta Station.
J. R. Peeples transferred to East Texas Con-
ference, and appointed to Marshall.
F. B. Rodgers transferred to Little Rock
Conference.

16.—TENNESSEE CONFERENCE.

HELD AT FRANKLIN, TENN., *October 8-15, 1873.*BISHOP MCTYEIRE, *President*; ROBERT A. YOUNG, *Secretary*.

QUESTION 1. Who are admitted on trial?

ANSWER. A. P. McFerrin, Charles M. Baldwin, John W. Bell, Thomas A. Kerley, Rufus W. Seay, William J. Collier, Samuel L. Fain, Moses J. Mabry, Henry S. McBride, Benjamin F. Haynes. 10.

Ques. 2. Who remain on trial?

W. W. Brinsfield, W. C. Blair, Thomas S. McFerrin, Henry S. Kennedy, Clinton Clenny, John L. Kellum, G. W. Colemam, John T. Duncan, John G. Molloy, U. N. M. Berry, John P. Funk, William T. Gill. 12.

Ques. 3. Who are discontinued?

W. A. Bridges. 1.

Ques. 4. Who are admitted into full connection?

H. J. Ivie, W. A. Gill, W. B. Woodward, T. H. Woodward, W. J. Wright, J. M. Jordan, J. H. Chambliss, B. F. Jackson, G. D. Byrne, J. A. McFerrin, J. O. Blanton, A. A. Allison. 12.

Ques. 5. Who are readmitted?

William P. Hickman. 1.

Ques. 6. Who are received by transfer from other Conferences?

Thomas L. Moody, William R. Warren. 2.

Ques. 7. Who are the deacons of one year?

P. A. Sowell, J. O. Blanton, O. G. Halliburton, John A. McFerrin, J. R. Reagan, J. H. Strayhorn, J. B. Erwin, J. W. Rooker, E. W. White. 9.

Ques. 8. What traveling preachers are elected deacons?

W. W. Brinsfield, Thomas H. Woodward, John H. Chambliss, Clinton Clenny, Henry J. Ivie, W. B. Woodward, John M. Jordan, B. F. Jackson. 8.

Ques. 9. What traveling preachers are ordained deacons?

W. W. Brinsfield, Thomas H. Woodward, John H. Chambliss, Clinton Clenny, Henry J. Ivie, W. B. Woodward, John M. Jordan, B. F. Jackson. 8.

Ques. 10. What local preachers are elected deacons?

Thomas A. Kerley, William J. Collier, Joab A. Russell, Taylor Ledbetter, B. F. Badgett, William Sykes, W. W. Webb. 7.

Ques. 11. What local preachers are ordained deacons?

John P. Sebastian, Thomas A. Kerley, Wm. C. Collier, B. F. Badgett. 4.

Ques. 12. What traveling preachers are elected elders?

Robert T. Rowland, John W. Hanner, jr., William J. Hale, Andrew A. Allison, William M. Doyle, Alanson Brown, Lacy Boone, Geo. S. Byrom, Rufus E. Travis, Benj. F. Stone. 10.

Ques. 13. What traveling preachers are ordained elders?

Robert T. Rowland, John W. Hanner, jr., William J. Hale, Andrew A. Allison, William M. Doyle, Alanson Brown, Lacy Boone, Geo. S. Byrom, Rufus E. Travis, Benj. F. Stone. 10.

Ques. 14. What local preachers are elected elders?

Dial Brown, Robert Wright, Henry Williams. 3.

Ques. 15. What local preachers are ordained elders?

David W. Stack, Henry Williams. 2.

Ques. 16. Who are located this year?

John B. Jordan, D. C. Miles, E. G. Robertson, J. M. Groce, H. B. North, R. G. Linn, N. A. Anthony. 7.

Ques. 17. Who are supernumerary?

A. C. Matthews, John Rains, W. H. Johnson, M. N. Ford, R. A. Reagan, C. B. Faris, W. H. Anthony, A. H. Reams, A. M. Ezell, Charles Laxon, W. P. Warren, M. R. Tucker, John B. Hamilton, G. W. Brown, S. D. Ogburn, W. R. Warren, J. M. Locke, J. B. West, E. J. Allen, R. M. Haggard, H. L. Booth. 21.

Ques. 18. Who are superannuated?

A. J. B. Foster, Stanford Lassiter, J. W. Tarrant, Golman Green, Thomas Maddin, Geo. W. Martin. 6.

Ques. 19. What preachers have died during the past year?

Mark W. Gray, John D. Winn. 2.

MARK WILSON GRAY was born, in Maury county, Tenn., Feb. 11, 1811; he professed faith in Christ about the year 1827; he soon felt it to be his duty to labor in the cause of Christ, and to warn sinners to flee from the wrath to come; he was licensed to exhort Aug. 24, 1828, by the Rev. Elias Tidwell, who has gone to his reward; Nov. 8, 1828, he was licensed to preach, the Rev. Thomas Smith

being the Presiding Elder; he was ordained deacon by Bishop McKendree, at Pulaski, Oct. 10, 1833; he was admitted on trial as a traveling preacher at Columbia, in the autumn of 1836, and was ordained elder in 1839. He continued an itinerant preacher till the day of his death, occupying many important fields. Among those circuits and stations which he filled, mention may be made of Dover, Dixon, Goose Creek, Sumner, Harpeth, Mount Pleasant, Franklin, Nashville, Mill Creek, Wesley, Middleton, Antioch, Versailles, Fayetteville, etc. In all these charges Brother Gray was useful and, in a measure, successful, and for thirty-seven years was a faithful and zealous laborer in the Master's vineyard. In many of his pastoral charges he witnessed gracious revivals of religion, and saw the cause of God prosper under his ministrations. Brother Gray's early literary advantages were not great, yet he was a man of good sense, sound judgment, and had an improving mind. He became a solid, successful preacher of the gospel, and was honored and respected by the people whom he served. In person, Brother Gray was portly, with light hair and florid complexion; his voice, in the days of his vigor, was full, and his manner in the pulpit natural and easy. He was remarkable for his modesty, and always seemed to esteem others better than himself; yet, when in the pulpit, and fired with his subject, he became bold and fearless, and was eloquent in fervency and powerful in his appeals. He shunned no duty, but went forward in the Master's work, often under serious embarrassments. He had a large family, and the pecuniary support given him was often very small; yet he persevered, continued in the work, brought up his family in respectability, lived to see them well provided for, and had the pleasure of seeing one of his sons enter the Christian ministry, and become a beloved member of the same Conference with himself. Brother Gray was confiding in his nature, and very unsuspecting in his disposition, hence he was frank, loving, and communicative. His social qualities were excellent, and his company always pleasant. Few men had more friends and fewer enemies. All classes among his brethren loved and respected him, and many will now say, A good man, a faithful preacher, a devoted Christian, and sincere friend, has passed away. His memory will be cherished by thousands in the Church, and his virtuous life leave a beautiful example to his children and grandchildren. At the last session of the Tennessee Conference, Brother Gray was appointed to the Middleton Circuit; here his health, which had been precarious for some time, entirely failed, and he went home to die in the midst of his family. He died of heart-disease, May 28, 1873. His end was peaceful, and his hope full. A few days before his death he said to one of his brethren in the ministry, the Rev. R. R. Jones, "I know in whom I have believed, and am persuaded that he is able to keep that which I have committed unto him against that day." When nearly gone, he said, "Let us go home,"

and sweetly fell asleep in Jesus. By his request he was buried in Rose Hill Cemetery, Columbia. Thus he was interred where he was admitted into the Conference, and sleeps in his native county. The Rev. R. G. Irvine read the burial-service, when his Masonic brethren laid him away with the ceremonies of the Order.

JOHN D. WINN was born, of respectable parents, Sept. 15, 1805; he was admitted on trial in the Tennessee Conference, Nov., 1827; he traveled successively the Dover, Smith's Fork, Lincoln, Red River, Caney Fork, Shoal, Smith's Fork again, Caney Fork the second time, Winchester, Forked Deer, and Paris Circuits. In all these fields of labor he was acceptable and useful. He was a man of ordinary capacity, but improved his talent, and made full proof of his ministry. But, alas! he was overtaken by sickness, which resulted in the prostration of his mind, and he was placed on the superannuated list in the year 1838, where his name has stood ever since. In all his derangement he was generally quiet and harmless, and he never lost sight of the fact that he was a minister of the gospel. He oftentimes attempted to preach, and his last sermon seemed to be consistent, and gave evidence of power. For nearly thirty-five years Brother Winn was mainly supported by appropriations from the board of finance of the Conference. He, however, found many friends who aided him in his day of gloom and solitude. He was an incessant reader of the Bible, and could recite chapter after chapter without any apparent difficulty, and seemed to care for no other books, save the Methodist Discipline, to which he was deeply attached; and although insane during the many years he sojourned in Clifton Circuit, his walk was blameless and upright.

Ques. 20. Are all the preachers blameless in their life and official administration?

Their names were called over, one by one, and their characters examined and passed.

Ques. 21. What is the number of local preachers and members in the several circuits, stations, and missions of the Conference?

Nashville District.

	White Mem's.	Col'd Mem's.	Loc'l Pr's.
Nashville:			
McKendree and West End.....	917	.....	3
Elm Street.....	507	.....	2
Claiborne.....	128	.....	2
City Mission.....	81	.....	3
Tulip Street.....	368	.....	4
North Edgefield.....	106	.....	2
Hobson Chapel.....	110	.....	2
Trinity.....	95	.....	1
White's Creek.....	186	.....	2
Goodlettsville.....	293	.....	1
Nashville Circuit.....	382	.....	10
	3173	.....	32

Lebanon District.

	White Mem's.	Col'd Mem's.	Loc'l Pr's.
Lebanon Station.....	222	.....	.....
Lebanon Circuit.....	460	.....	1
Kelley's Chapel and Smyrna.....	157	.....	.....
Canesville.....	358	.....	5
Union.....	318	.....	.....
Nolensville.....	534	.....	.....
Mill Creek.....	337	1	.....
Sumner.....	375	.....	3
Gallatin Station.....	266	.....	2
Gallatin Circuit.....	229	.....	1
Bethphage and Trinity.....	196	.....	2
Cairo Bend Mission.....	74	.....	.....
	3526	1	14

Carthage District.

	White Mem's.	Col'd Mem's.	Loc'l Pr's.
Carthage Circuit.....	103	.....	2
Mount Olivet.....	239	.....	1
Alexandria.....	380	.....	4
Woodbury Station.....	67	.....	4
Woodbury Circuit.....	332	.....	4
Cumberland.....	766	.....	9
Goose Creek.....	337	.....	2
Beech Grove.....	140	.....	2
Statesville Mission.....	206	.....	2
	2570	.....	30

Sparta District.

	White Mem's.	Col'd Mem's.	Loc'l Pr's.
Sparta Station.....	121	.....	4
Sparta Circuit.....	493	.....	4
Smithville Circuit.....	519	.....	7
Cookeville Mission.....	265	9	1
Livingston Circuit.....	562	1	2
Monroe Mission.....	67	.....	.....
Celina Circuit.....	184	.....	4
Wartrace.....	319	.....	4
Gainsboro Mission.....	231	.....	2
	2761	10	28

Murfreesboro District.

	White Mem's.	Col'd Mem's.	Loc'l Pr's.
Murfreesboro Station.....	382	.....	1
Stone's River Circuit.....	285	.....	2
Rich Valley.....	422	.....	2
Shelbyville Station.....	143	.....	.....
Middleton.....	376	.....	2
Unionville.....	493	.....	1
Cave Spring.....	318	.....	.....
	2419	.....	8

McMinnville District.

	White Mem's.	Col'd Mem's.	Loc'l Pr's.
McMinnville Station.....	115	.....	.....
Manchester and Tullahoma.....	136	.....	2
McMinnville Circuit.....	334	.....	6
Hickory Creek.....	680	.....	6
Manchester.....	579	.....	7
Bellbuckle and Wartrace.....	204	.....	4
Alto and Mountain Mission.....	245	.....	3
Bedford Circuit.....	410	.....	3
	2703	.....	31

Fayetteville District.

	White Mem's.	Col'd Mem's.	Loc'l Pr's.
Fayetteville Station.....	75	.....	1
Mulberry Circuit.....	282	.....	5
Flintville Circuit.....	312	4	2
Pleasant Plains.....	373	.....	3
Petersburg.....	451	.....	3
Elk Ridge.....	265	.....	3
Lynchburg.....	327	.....	2
Marble Plains.....	665	.....	7
Winchester Station.....	81	.....	2
Salem.....	347	.....	4
	3178	4	32

Pulaski District.

	White Mem's.	Col'd Mem's.	Loc'l Pr's.
Pulaski Station.....	270	.....	2
Cornersville Station.....	89	.....	2
Mount Pisgah.....	1050	.....	6
Richland.....	530	.....	3
Prospect.....	325	.....	5
Trinity.....	440	.....	1
Pleasant Valley Station.....	130	.....	1
Oakland Mission.....	198	.....	1
Lynnville.....	378	.....	2
	3410	.....	28

Savannah District.

	White Mem's.	Col'd Mem's.	Loc'l Pr's.
Savannah Circuit.....	630	.....	5
Lowreyville.....	225	.....	4
Wayland.....	316	.....	10
Lawrenceburg.....	293	.....	5
Ashland.....	284	.....	6
Lobleville Mission.....	54	.....	3
Linden Circuit.....	242	.....	3
Clifton Circuit.....	361	.....	4
	2405	.....	40

Columbia District.

	White Mem's.	Col'd Mem's.	Loc'l Pr's.
Columbia Station.....	297	.....	1
Spring Hill Station.....	120	.....	1
Nebo and Williamsport.....	250	.....	4
Duck River.....	273	1	.....
Culleoka Station.....	179	.....	2
Mount Pleasant.....	222	.....	1
Pisgah and Hampshire.....	185	.....	1
	1526	1	10

Franklin District.

	White Mem's.	Col'd Mem's.	Loc'l Pr's.
Franklin Station.....	375	.....	2
Harpeth Station.....	224	.....	1
Bethlehem Station.....	228	.....	2
Brentwood.....	135	.....	1
Douglass Circuit.....	260	.....	.....
Smith's Spring.....	301	.....	2
Wesley.....	283	.....	1
Chapel Hill.....	419	.....	2
Spring Hill Circuit.....	289	.....	4
Bethesda.....	312	.....	1
	2826	.....	16

Centerville District.

	White Mem's.	Col'd Mem's.	Loc'l Pr's.
Centerville Circuit.....	465	1	1
Santa Fe.....	231	.....	3
Pinewood.....	305	.....	1
Yellow Creek.....	514	.....	9
Dover.....	400	.....	4
Iron Mountain Mission.....	51	.....	.....
White Oak Circuit.....	325	.....	4
Ebenezer and Liberty.....	380	.....	3
Waverley.....	171	.....	3
Standing Rock.....	214	2	1
Union Valley.....	210	3	2
	3266	6	31

Clarksville District.

	White Mem's.	Col'd Mem's.	Loc'l Pr's.
Clarksville and South Clarksville Sta.....	338	.....	1
New Providence.....	48	.....	.....
Cedar Hill.....	459	.....	3
Montgomery.....	355	.....	2
Dickson.....	462	.....	3
Antioch.....	625	.....	4
Asbury.....	600	.....	3
Thomasville.....	376	.....	2
Saline.....	365	.....	2
Springfield Station.....	138	.....	.....
Salem and Corinth.....	97	.....	1
	3863	.....	21

McKendree District.

	White Mem's.	Col'd Mem's.	Loc'l Pr's.
Red River Circuit.....	468	.....	3
Pleasant Grove.....	292	.....	3
Fountain Head.....	278	.....	1
Summit Mission.....	323	.....	3
La Fayette.....	388	.....	3
Shiloh.....	270	.....	6
	2019	.....	19

Recapitulation.

Nashville District.....	3173	.....	32
Lebanon ".....	3526	1	14
Carthage ".....	2570	.....	30
Sparta ".....	2761	10	23
Murfreesboro ".....	2419	.....	8
McMinnville ".....	2703	.....	31
Fayetteville ".....	3178	4	32
Pulaski ".....	3410	.....	28
Savannah ".....	2405	.....	40
Columbia ".....	1526	1	10
Franklin ".....	2826	.....	16
Centerville ".....	3266	6	31
Clarksville ".....	3863	.....	21
McKendree ".....	2019	.....	19
Total this year.....	39,645	22	340
Total last year.....	38,591	53	307
Increase.....	1,054		33
Decrease.....		31	

Ques. 22. How many infants have been baptized during the year?
1000.

Ques. 23. How many adults have been baptized during the year?
2938.

Ques. 24. What is the number of Sunday-schools?
371.

Ques. 25. What is the number of Sunday-school teachers?
2223.

Ques. 26. What is the number of Sunday-school scholars?
18,945.

Ques. 27. What amount is necessary for the superannuated preachers, and the widows and orphans of preachers?
\$8,000.

Ques. 28. What has been collected on the foregoing account, and how has it been applied?
Collected, \$2,476 80

Applied as follows:

Dr. Baldwin's two children,	300 00
Sister T. W. Randle and children,	375 00
Dr. Maddin,	80 00
Sister M. Clark,	75 00
Sister J. A. Walkup,	50 00
T. Tarrant's daughter,	100 00
Sister Jared's child,	75 00
Sister M. W. Gray,	165 75
Rev. J. W. Tarrant,	200 00
Rev. Golman Green,	100 00
Sister B. R. Gaut,	75 00
Rev. A. J. B. Foster,	80 00
Sister H. H. Brown,	125 00
Tommie Lankford,	50 00
Sister John McCurdy,	75 00

Sister Cooley,	50 00
Miss Willis,	65 00
Joseph Willis,	60 00
Sister Randle,	100 00
Sister D. H. Jones,	75 00
Sister Finnen,	100 00
Miss Gilmore,	100 00

Ques. 29. What has been contributed for missions?
\$5,505 75.

Ques. 30. Where shall the next session of the Conference be held?
At Gallatin, Tenn.

Ques. 31. Where are the preachers stationed this year?

NASHVILLE DISTRICT.

D. C. Kelley, P. E.

Nashville:

- McKendree Station, R. K. Hargrove.
- West End, F. E. Pitts. ✓
- Elm Street Station, Felix R. Hill. ✓
- Claiborne Chapel, W. D. F. Sawrie. ✓
- City Mission, W. W. Brinsfield. ✓
- Tulip Street Station, R. K. Brown. ✓
- North Edgefield Station, Ed. T. Hart, Wm. R. Warren, Sup.
- Trinity Station, W. M. Doyle. ✓
- Union Circuit, J. J. Ellis.
- White's Creek Circuit, A. P. McFerrin.
- Mill Creek Circuit, George W. Winn, John Rains, Sup.
- Nashville Circuit, J. J. Pitts. ✓
- Hobson Chapel, James W. Hill. ✓
- Vanderbilt University, R. A. Young, Agent; A. L. P. Green, Treasurer.
- Secretary of Missionary Board, J. B. McFerrin.

GALLATIN DISTRICT.

John F. Hughes, P. E.

- Gallatin Station, S. M. Merrill.
- Gallatin Circuit, Jasper Nichols.
- Sumner Circuit, B. F. Ferrell.
- Bethphage and Trinity Station, J. G. Ray.
- Cairo Bend Mission, John S. Williams.
- Fountain Head Circuit, W. N. Moore.
- Summit Mission, B. F. Jackson.
- Pleasant Grove, Garret W. Martin.
- Goodlettsville Circuit, W. G. Dorris, A. C. Matthews, Sup.
- Forest Grove Circuit, John W. Bell.
- Lebanon Station, John W. Hanner, jr., Wm. H. Johnson, Sup.
- Lebanon Circuit, G. L. Staley.

CARTHAGE DISTRICT.

J. W. Cullom, P. E.

- Carthage Circuit, Clinton Clenny.
- Maunt Olivet Circuit, John H. Nichols.
- Alexandria Circuit, B. M. Stephens.
- Cumberland Circuit, N. B. S. Owings, M. N. Ford, Sup.
- Cookeville Mission, George M. Saunders.
- Livingston Circuit, Alanson Browp.
- Monroe Mission, John Kellum.
- Celina Circuit, W. Witcher.
- Gainesboro Circuit, John R. Reagin.

Wartrace Circuit, to be supplied.
Goose Creek Circuit, O. G. Halliburton.
La Fayette Circuit, Thomas A. Kurlee.

MCMINNVILLE DISTRICT.

J. J. Comer, P. E.

McMinnville Station, Thomas H. Hinson.
McMinnville Circuit, H. S. Kennedy.
Manchester and Tullahoma Station, Samuel L. Fain.
Hickory Creek Circuit, Wm. B. Woodward.
Manchester Circuit, R. T. McBride.
Alto and Mountain Mission, George D. Gwinn.
Sparta Station, Robert T. Rowland.
Sparta Circuit, S. A. Ellis.
Smithville Circuit, G. D. Byrne, A. H. Reams, Sup.
Hickory Valley Mission, Joseph G. Myers.
Bellbuckle and Wartrace, G. T. Henderson, W. H. Anthony, Sup.
Woodbury Circuit, W. J. Hale, Robert A. Reagan, Sup.
Statesville Circuit, John G. Molloy.
Professor in College, John R. Thompson.

MURFREESBORO DISTRICT.

John W. Hanner, P. E.

Murfreesboro Station, J. D. Barbee, E. J. Allen, Sup.
Stone's River Circuit, A. Mizell, C. B. Faris, Sup.
Fosterville, Station, Thomas S. McFerrin.
Middleton Circuit, William M. Shaw.
Shelbyville Station, W. Weakley.
Bedford Circuit, Thomas B. Marks.
Unionville Circuit, R. R. Jones.
Beech Grove Circuit, D. H. Merryman.
Nolensville Circuit, L. C. Bryan.
Kelley Chapel and Smyrna Station, J. J. Pittman.
Canesville Circuit, Robert P. Gray.
Science Hill Academy, A. T. Crawford.
Soule College, D. D. Moore, President.

FAYETTEVILLE DISTRICT.

J. B. Allison, P. E.

Fayetteville Station, Thomas B. Fisher.
Mulberry Circuit, John P. Funk, M. R. Tucker, Sup.
Flintville Circuit, W. A. Gill, C. Laxon, Sup.
Pleasant Plains Circuit, A. A. Allison.
Petersburg Circuit, W. B. Lowry.
Cornersville Station, R. E. Travis.
Elk Ridge Circuit, W. T. Gill.
Lynchburg Circuit, George W. Anderson.
Marble Hill Circuit, Allen Tribble.
Winchester Station, C. C. Mayhew.
Salem Circuit, George S. Byron.
Rich Valley Circuit, W. J. Collier.

COLUMBIA DISTRICT.

W. Mooney, P. E.

Columbia Station, J. P. McFerrin, J. B. Hamilton, Sup.
Mount Pleasant Circuit, W. H. Wilkes.
Nebo and Williamsport Station, Wm. Doss.

Duck River Circuit, W. G. Hensley.
Culleoka Station, J. A. Orman.
Lynnville Circuit, J. H. Strayhorn.
Pleasant Valley Station, R. G. Irvine.
Pulaski Station, W. H. Hughes.
Mount Pisgah Circuit, R. L. Fagan, A. M. Ezell, Sup.
Richland Circuit, John Sherrill.
Prospect Circuit, U. S. Bates.
Trinity Circuit, R. P. Ganaway, J. M. Locke, Sup.
Giles College, J. B. Anderson, Professor and Chaplain.

SAVANNAH DISTRICT.

A. G. Dinwiddie, P. E.

Savannah Station, P. A. Sowell.
Savannah Circuit, F. F. Fagan, W. J. Wright.
Lowryville Circuit, M. J. Mabry.
Wayland Springs Circuit, Thomas H. Woodward.
Lawrenceburg Circuit, Henry S. McBride, W. P. Warren, Sup.
Ashland Circuit, H. J. Ivie.
Lobleville Mission, W. H. Riggan.
Linden Circuit, J. O. Blanton.
Clifton Circuit, J. B. Erwin.
Pisgah and Hampshire Circuit, J. T. Duncan.
Oakland Mission, B. J. Gaston.

FRANKLIN DISTRICT.

R. P. Ransom, P. E.

Franklin Station, J. R. Plummer.
Harpeth Station, S. M. Cherry.
Bethlehem Station, A. J. Ford.
Cave Spring Circuit, W. P. Owen, R. M. Haggard, Sup.
Douglass Circuit, John G. Bolton.
Smith Spring Circuit, Wm. P. Hickman.
Wesley Circuit, J. H. Richardson.
Chapel Hill Circuit, Jesse G. Rice.
Spring Hill Circuit, B. G. Ferrell.
Bethesda Station, A. F. Lawrence.
Spring Hill Station, John M. Jordan.
Brentwood Station, J. C. Putman.

CENTERVILLE DISTRICT.

Thomas L. Moody, P. E.

Centerville Circuit, R. W. Bellamy.
Santa Fe Circuit, W. W. Graves.
Pinewood Circuit, G. W. Coleman.
Yellow Creek Circuit, P. T. Martin.
Dover Circuit, W. T. Dye, Chas. M. Baldwin.
Danville Circuit, John H. Chambliss.
Ebenezer and Liberty, B. F. Haynes.
Waverley Circuit, Paul C. Gaston.
Bon Aqua Mission, H. S. Ledbetter.
Beaver Dam Springs, J. W. Rooker.
Superintendent American Bible Society, S. P. Whitten.

CLARKSVILLE DISTRICT.

Wm. Burr, P. E.

{ Clarksville Station, Wm. M. Green, J. B. West, Sup.
{ South Clarksville Mission, Jno. H. Reynolds.

New Providence Station, A. W. Smith.
 Cedar Hill Station, T. J. Duncan.
 Montgomery Circuit, Jordan Moore, Rufus W. Seay.
 Dickson Circuit, James G. Hinson.
 Antioch Circuit, A. T. Goodloe.
 Asbury Circuit, W. A. Turner, George W. Brown, Sup.
 Cheatham Circuit, W. D. Cherry.
 Saline Circuit, U. N. M. Berry.
 Springfield Station, G. P. Jackson, S. D. Ogburn, Sup.
 Red River Circuit, John A. McFerrin.
 Salem and White's Chapel Station, A. B. Coke.

Clarksville Female Academy, J. M. Wright, President.

B. F. Stone transferred to Trinity Conference.

E. W. White transferred to East Texas Conference.

B. H. Malone transferred to Little Rock Conference.

W. C. Blair and Lacy Boone transferred to West Texas Conference.

W. F. Mister transferred to West St. Louis Conference.

J. R. McClure transferred to Western Conference.

17.—KENTUCKY CONFERENCE.

HELD AT LEXINGTON, KY., September 3-9, 1873.

BISHOP MCTYEIRE, *President*; T. F. VANMETER, *Secretary*.

QUESTION 1. Who are admitted on trial?
 ANSWER. Julius Wright, T. J. McIntyre, J. W. Sagerser, Morton Scott, J. E. Clark, W. H. Quisenbury, J. F. Wight. 7.

Ques. 2. Who remain on trial?
 W. M. Crow, J. W. Simmons, D. D. Duty, V. C. Cummings, T. E. Burr, I. H. Hagar, C. M. Humphrey. 7.

Ques. 3. Who are discontinued?
 None.

Ques. 4. Who are admitted into full connection?
 T. F. Taliferro, John Reeves, Cornelius Foster, P. H. Fishburn. 4.

Ques. 5. Who are readmitted?
 W. H. H. Ditzler. 1.

Ques. 6. Who are received by transfer from other Conferences?
 H. M. Linney, J. W. Mitchell, Anselm Minor, P. H. Fishburn (a probationer). 4.

Ques. 7. Who are the deacons of one year?
 W. H. H. Ditzler, J. H. Young, G. C. Overstreet, W. T. Rowland, M. D. Reynolds, M. W. Hiner, J. A. Caywood, B. S. Robbins, G. C. Kelly, George Froh, D. W. Robertson, S. S. Goodman, D. B. G. Demaree. 13.

Ques. 8. What traveling preachers are elected deacons?
 T. F. Taliferro, John Reeves, P. H. Fishburn, T. E. Burr, C. M. Humphrey. 5.

Ques. 9. What traveling preachers are ordained deacons?
 T. F. Taliferro, John Reeves, P. H. Fishburn, T. E. Burr, C. M. Humphrey. 5.

Ques. 10. What local preachers are elected deacons?
 Thomas Prunty, T. J. Overstreet, John F. Wilson, Russell Bales. 4.

Ques. 11. What local preachers are ordained deacons?
 T. J. Overstreet, John F. Wilson, Russell Bales, M. F. Worsham. 4.

Ques. 12. What traveling preachers are elected elders?
 G. N. Buffington, J. N. Current. 2.

Ques. 13. What traveling preachers are ordained elders?
 J. N. Current, G. N. Buffington. 2.

Ques. 14. What local preachers are elected elders?
 W. H. Quisenbury, H. A. Smith. 2.

Ques. 15. What local preachers are ordained elders?
 W. H. Quisenbury. 1.

Ques. 16. Who are located this year?
 B. S. Robbins, J. B. Locke. 2.

Ques. 17. Who are supernumerary?
 E. P. Buckner, G. B. Poage, S. Noland, A. Minor, S. S. Goodman, T. F. Vanmeter, S. D. Gaines. 7.

Ques. 18. Who are superannuated?
 I. Collard, J. C. Hardy, W. C. Atmore, J. Sandusky, W. Bickers, J. C. Crow. 6.

Ques. 19. What preachers have died during the past year?
 Thomas R. Malone, L. C. Danley. 2.

THOMAS R. MALONE, who suffered so long

and so patiently, died, at the residence of his son, the Rev. Joseph S. Malone, in Louisville, Ky., Feb. 20, 1873. He was the youngest child of Winn and Jane Malone. He was born, in Barren county, Ky., Nov. 30, 1810; born of the Spirit, at Antioch Camp-ground, Montgomery county, Tenn., in Aug., 1831; and was licensed to preach, by the Rev. George W. Taylor, on Barren Circuit, Ky., in the summer of 1832. After having preached on the Danville and Lebanon Circuits, by the appointment of a Presiding Elder, he was admitted on trial into the traveling connection, by the Kentucky Annual Conference, in Sept., 1835, and appointed to Henderson Circuit. In 1836 he was sent to Morganfield Circuit. In 1837 he was ordained deacon, by Bishop Roberts, and appointed to Burlington Circuit, but, at the close of the first quarter, was changed to Lexington Station, on account of the ill-health of the Rev. William Holman, who had been stationed in that city. In 1838 he was appointed to Covington Station. In 1839 he was ordained elder, by Bishop Soule, and sent to Georgetown Circuit; in 1840 to Germantown Circuit, 1841 to Cynthiana, 1842 to Lancaster, 1843 to Taylorsville. While serving this circuit his pious and beautiful young wife died (Feb. 19, 1844), leaving her bereaved husband, an infant daughter, and son. To this excellent lady, daughter of Joshua Jones, Esq., of Cynthiana, Ky., Brother Malone had been married but about four years. The sorrowing husband returned from the grave of his wife suffering from inflammatory rheumatism of the most dreadful type. After that melancholy journey he was utterly helpless, and subject to unceasing pain. He was literally drawn into knots, and for twenty-nine years was unable to get his hands to his head, or his feet to the floor. He had to be fed and lifted like an infant. Unable to hold a book or paper, in order that he might read it was necessary, for several years, to have the volume placed in a swing attached to his bed-post. On the Taylorsville Circuit his active labors ceased—not so his Christian usefulness: it was a privilege to hear his cheerful voice, and gaze on his happy countenance, and study and admire the grace of God in such a sufferer. No murmur or complaint passed from his lips; the will of his divine Master was his will. Perfected through sufferings, in him patience had her perfect work. He was a constant reader of the word of God, and had committed to memory large portions of it. The atonement, in all its completeness, was the theme of his thoughts and the ground of his hope. He realized that Christ had, with himself, freely given him all things. During his illness he referred with grateful joy to the fact that through all his helplessness his ever-faithful Saviour had never allowed him to lack for any thing. As an example of conscientious self-denial, he at one time discontinued the use of the various preparations of opium which were so necessary to mitigate his sufferings, because he felt and feared the growth of the sinful opium appe-

tite. The last twelve years of his life were spent in the happy home of his affectionate son. Prior to that time he had lived five years with his cousin, Mr. James H. Roberts, near Clarksville, Tenn. The preceding eleven years were spent among different friends in Kentucky and Tennessee; but wherever he went the divine blessing went with him. Since the commencement of Brother Malone's sufferings nearly all of his fellow-laborers in the ministry have passed away. Only eight of those who welcomed him into the itinerancy are now connected with the Kentucky and Louisville Conferences. His younger brethren sympathized with him in his sufferings, and gladly aided in making him as comfortable as possible. They will continue to cherish his memory, and to rejoice that our divine Master will give bright crowns to faithful, patient sufferers, as well as to active, successful laborers.

L. C. DANLEY died July 27, 1873, of cholera, near Garnettsville, Ky. He was received into the Kentucky Annual Conference, at Bardstonsville, in 1840, and sent to Minerva as junior preacher. From 1840 to 1849 he traveled various circuits, embracing Greenupsburg, Hodgenville, Williamsburg, Prestonsburg, Lockport, Orangeburg, and Germantown. In 1849 he located, and lived in Louisville. In 1855 he was readmitted, and appointed to Poplar Plains. From this place he went to Owingsville, thence to Crittenden. In 1859 he was made supernumerary, and in 1860 superannuated—in which relation he continued until his death. He was a faithful minister of Christ, ever ready for his work. He died in faith, but we have no particulars of the closing scene.

Ques. 20. Are all the preachers blameless in their life and official administration?

Their names were called over, one by one, and their characters examined and passed, except B. Arbogast, whose case was referred to the Presiding Elder for investigation.

Ques. 21. What is the number of local preachers and members in the several circuits, stations, and missions of the Conference?

Lexington District.

	White Mem's.	Col'd Mem's.	Loc'l Pr's.
Lexington.....	273	.....	1
Frankfort.....	263	.....	1
Paris.....	138	1	.....
Mount Sterling.....	361	.....	.....
Winchester.....	98	.....	.....
Mount Zion.....	73	.....	.....
Versailles and Mortonsville.....	172	.....	.....
North Middletown.....	79	.....	.....
Greenwich.....	183	.....	.....
Cedar Chapel.....	125	.....	4
New Columbus.....	626	2	6
Hardinsville.....	247	.....	1
Stanton.....	184	.....	1
Georgetown.....	130	.....	.....
	2952	3	14

Harrodsburg District.

	White Mem's.	Col'd Mem's.	Loc'l Pr's.
Harrodsburg.....	125	.....	.....
Danville.....	170	.....	1
Perryville and Maxville.....	217	.....	2
Stanford.....	110	.....	1
Hustonville Mission.....	100	.....	.....
Perryville Circuit.....	300	2	2
Crab Orchard.....	150	.....	.....
Salvisa.....	279	.....	1
Somerset.....	180	.....	3
Anderson.....	166	.....	3
Nicholasville.....	133	3	.....
Bryantsville.....	187	.....	.....
Richmond.....	375	.....	2
Irvine.....	215	.....	1
Jessamine.....	305	.....	1
Total	3012	5	17

West Liberty District (continued).

	White Mem's.	Col'd Mem's.	Loc'l Pr's.
Prestonsburg.....	716	3	13
Frenchburg.....	113	1	2
Piketon.....	365	7	9
Whitesburg.....	81	2	2
Total	1736	18	33

Barboursville District.

	White Mem's.	Col'd Mem's.	Loc'l Pr's.
Barboursville.....	76	.....	1
Pineville.....	20	.....	.....
Mount Pleasant.....	250	2	2
London and Bethel.....	172	.....	2
Pulaski.....	75	.....	1
Fishing Creek.....	104	5	1
Williamsburg.....	72	.....	.....
Total	769	7	7

Shelbyville District.

	White Mem's.	Col'd Mem's.	Loc'l Pr's.
Shelbyville.....	148	.....	.....
Shelby Circuit.....	238	.....	1
Bloomfield.....	150	.....	.....
Taylorville.....	205	.....	1
Simpsonville.....	191	.....	.....
Chaplin and Mount Zion.....	326	.....	1
Milton.....	221	20	1
Floydsburg.....	237	.....	1
Newcastle.....	223	.....	1
Bedford.....	445	14	1
Owen.....	397	2	1
Springport.....	415	22	5
La Grange.....	165	.....	1
Jacksonville.....	489	.....	1
Total	3850	58	15

Recapitulation.

	White Mem's.	Col'd Mem's.	Loc'l Pr's.
Lexington District.....	2952	3	14
Harrodsburg ".....	3012	5	17
Shelbyville ".....	3850	58	15
Covington ".....	3924	19	16
Maysville ".....	3259	19	17
West Liberty ".....	1736	18	33
Barboursville ".....	769	7	7
Total this year	19,502	129	119
Total last year	19,181	122	100
Increase	321	7	19

Covington District.

	White Mem's.	Col'd Mem's.	Loc'l Pr's.
Covington.....	440	.....	.....
Newport.....	171	.....	.....
Mount Pleasant.....	123	2	1
Alexandria.....	150	.....	2
Foster.....	715	1	5
Falmouth.....	198	.....	1
Oddville.....	550	.....	3
Cynthiana.....	203	.....	.....
Independence.....	270	.....	.....
Burlington.....	241	14	1
Williamstown.....	297	.....	1
Warsaw.....	207	.....	.....
Carrollton.....	139	.....	.....
Verona.....	100	2	2
Worthville.....	120	.....	.....
Total	3924	19	16

Maysville District.

	White Mem's.	Col'd Mem's.	Loc'l Pr's.
Maysville.....	231	.....	1
Washington.....	70	.....	1
Germantown.....	192	4	3
Brooksville and Augusta.....	257	1	.....
Mount Olivet.....	258	2	.....
Millersburg.....	182	.....	2
Shannon and Sardis.....	159	.....	1
Flemingsburg.....	211	.....	.....
Ruddles's Mills.....	25	.....	.....
Sharpsburg and Bethel.....	314	.....	.....
Tilton.....	214	7	1
Orangeburg.....	227	2	1
Poplar Plains.....	255	.....	1
Carlisle.....	390	.....	5
Owingsville.....	134	.....	1
Vanceburg and Concord.....	140	3	.....
Total	3259	19	17

West Liberty District.

	White Mem's.	Col'd Mem's.	Loc'l Pr's.
West Liberty.....	127	.....	3
Morehead.....	107	.....	1
Jackson.....	120	4	1
Campton.....	167	.....	3

Ques. 22. How many infants have been baptized during the year?
329.

Ques. 23. How many adults have been baptized during the year?
1083.

Ques. 24. What is the number of Sunday-schools?
152.

Ques. 25. What is the number of Sunday-school teachers?
1187.

Ques. 26. What is the number of Sunday-school scholars?
8041.

Ques. 27. What amount is necessary for the superannuated preachers, and the widows and orphans of preachers?
\$3,000.

Ques. 28. What has been collected on the foregoing account, and how has it been applied?

Collected,	\$1,658 00
Applied as follows:	
Isaac Collard,	105 00
Mrs. W. Johns,	210 00
Mrs. S. Latta,	100 00
J. C. Hardy,	105 00
Mrs. J. Brooking,	105 00
W. C. Atmore,	190 00
Mrs. G. Kelly,	110 00
Mrs. S. Kelly,	210 00
Mrs. Gould,	105 00
W. Bickers,	210 00
Rev. L. C. Danley's child,	103 00
Mrs. W. Vize,	105 00
Total	\$1,658 00

Ques. 29. What has been contributed for missions?

\$2,762 93.

Ques. 30. Where shall the next session of the Conference be held?

At Mount Sterling, Ky.

Ques. 31. Where are the preachers stationed this year?

LEXINGTON DISTRICT.

J. W. Fitch, P. E.

Lexington, J. Rand.
 Paris, W. T. Poynter.
 Winchester and Ebenezer, D. Welburn.
 Versailles and Mortonsville, W. F. Taylor.
 Greenwich, W. W. Chamberlin.
 Newtown, R. Lancaster.
 Cedar Chapel, W. H. H. Ditzler.
 Frankfort, D. A. Beardsley, E. P. Buckner, Sup.
 Belle Point, H. A. M. Henderson.
 Mount Sterling, H. P. Walker.
 North Middletown and Mt. Zion, G. W. Smith.
 Hardinsville, to be supplied (by W. P. Vaught).
 Georgetown, H. W. Abbett.
 New Columbus, D. G. B. Demaree.
 { Stanton, J. A. Caywood.
 { Dunaway, Elk. Johnson.
 Kentucky Military Institute, R. T. P. Allen.

HARRODSBURG DISTRICT.

S. X. Hall, P. E.

Harrodsburg, W. McD. Abbett.
 Perryville and Maxville, W. J. Snively, A. Minor, Sup.
 Somerset, J. N. Current.
 Nicholasville, E. L. Southgate, S. Noland, Sup.
 Danville, Charles Taylor.
 Stanford and Lancaster, G. C. Overstreet.
 Perryville Circuit, C. M. Humphrey.
 Salvisa, W. H. Winter.
 Lawrenceburg, Morton Scott.
 Bryantsville, H. M. Linney.
 Richmond and Providence, M. D. Reynolds.
 Kirksville and College Hill, T. J. McIntyre, S. S. Goodman, Sup.
 { Jessamine, S. W. Speer.
 { Mount Zion and Siloam, P. H. Fishburn.
 Irvine, James Holmes.

SHELBYVILLE DISTRICT.

R. Hiner, P. E.

Shelbyville, D. B. Cooper.
 Shelby Circuit, J. C. Minor.
 Bloomfield, J. W. Mitchell.
 Simpsonville, S. L. Robertson.
 Milton, V. C. Cummings.
 Newcastle, R. Deering.
 Owen, M. W. Hiner.
 Taylorsville, J. A. Henderson.
 Chaplin and Mount Zion, G. D. Turner.
 Floydsburg, G. W. Merritt, T. F. Vanmeter, Sup.
 Bedford, J. H. Young.
 Springport, B. F. Sedwick.

La Grange, T. B. Cook.
 Jacksonville, W. H. Quisenbury.
 Harmona, to be supplied (by A. Jones).
 Widows' and Orphans' Home, J. F. Wight, Agent.

COVINGTON DISTRICT.

C. W. Miller, P. E.

Covington, T. J. Dodd.
 Newport, F. W. Noland.
 Mount Pleasant, T. N. Ralston, and Professor of Biblical Literature in the Kentucky Wesleyan University.
 Oddville, Jeremiah Strother.
 Independence, D. W. Robertson.
 Williamstown, Orson Long.
 { Alexandria, P. H. Hoffman.
 { Foster, T. F. Taliferro.
 Falmouth, George Froh.
 Cynthia, J. R. Deering.
 Florence, T. P. C. Shelman.
 Petersburg, B. F. Bristow.
 Warsaw, H. R. Coleman.
 Carrollton, T. J. Godbey.
 Worthville, W. T. Rowland, S. D. Gaines, Sup.
 Agent American Bible Society, G. S. Savage.

MAYSVILLE DISTRICT.

M. Evans, P. E.

Maysville, R. H. Reed.
 { Washington and Hebron, J. E. Letton.
 { Germantown, D. H. Marimon.
 Brooksville and Augusta, W. A. G. Emmerson, G. B. Poage, Sup.
 { Millersburg, J. C. Morris.
 { Ruddles's Mills, to be supplied.
 Flemingsburg, J. W. Wightman.
 Sharpsburg and Bethel, W. T. Benton.
 Orangeburg, P. E. Kavanaugh.
 { Carlisle, G. C. Kelly.
 { Irvinsville, to be supplied.
 Mount Olivet, D. D. Duty.
 Shannon and Sardis, G. N. Buffington.
 Tilton, T. E. Burr.
 Poplar Plains and Hillsboro, S. S. Deering.
 Owingsville, W. D. Power.
 Vanceburg and Concord, W. F. Vaughn.
 Millersburg Female College, G. T. Gould.

WEST LIBERTY DISTRICT.

N. G. Robinson, P. E.

West Liberty, J. Reeves.
 Jackson, to be supplied (by J. Kendricks).
 Prestonsburg, J. H. Hagar.
 Morehead, J. W. Simmons.
 Campton, to be supplied (by J. Wilson).
 Frenchburg, to be supplied.
 Picketon, J. E. Clark.
 Big Sandy, to be supplied (by W. Osborne).

BARBOURSVILLE DISTRICT.

W. B. Godbey, P. E.

Barboursville and Manchester, J. W. Sagerser.
 Crab Orchard and Pine Hill, to be supplied (by J. S. Kelly).

Mount Pleasant and Pineville, C. Foster.
 London and Bethel, W. B. Landrum.
 Pulaski, Julius Wright.
 Meadow Creek and Williamsburg, to be supplied (by R. Bales).
 Fishing Creek, to be supplied (by S. B. Gossett).

W. M. Crow transferred to West Texas Conference.

H. H. Kavanaugh transferred to Missouri Conference.

Jacob Ditzler transferred to West St. Louis Conference.

W. B. Kavanaugh transferred to Western Virginia Conference.

18.—LOUISVILLE CONFERENCE.

HELD AT RUSSELLVILLE, KY., October 1-8, 1873.

BISHOP KEENER, *President*; S. C. ALLEN, *Secretary*.

QUESTION 1. Who are admitted on trial?

ANSWER. James C. Gill, Leonard Ames, Cassius H. Dowell, George Needham, William J. Free, James W. Bunton, William C. Slate, Littleton Hullett, William F. Ford, Augustus K. Cox. 10.

Ques. 2. Who remain on trial?

Joshua G. Freeman, J. C. Norman, George H. Means, Thomas G. Fallin, Wesley C. Brandon, S. A. Feltner. 6.

Ques. 3. Who are discontinued?

F. C. Mayberry, at his own request. 1.

Ques. 4. Who are admitted into full connection?

Elijah Thurman, Milton A. Nantz, Thomas J. Richardson, Daniel L. Collie, J. C. Brandon, B. F. Biggs, William C. Hayes. 7.

Ques. 5. Who are readmitted?

None.

Ques. 6. Who are received by transfer from other Conferences?

William L. Corbin. 1.

Ques. 7. Who are the deacons of one year?

Granville W. Lyon, Leroy Hirschburg, David Bowles, James M. Phillips, J. W. Love, Gabriel S. King, Alex. G. Frazer, Josiah Godbey, G. F. Cundiff. 9.

Ques. 8. What traveling preachers are elected deacons?

Milton A. Nantz, Thomas J. Richardson, Daniel L. Collie, J. C. Brandon, William C. Hayes. 5.

Ques. 9. What traveling preachers are ordained deacons?

Milton A. Nantz, Thomas J. Richardson, Daniel L. Collie, J. C. Brandon, William C. Hayes. 5.

Ques. 10. What local preachers are elected deacons?

James C. Gill, E. H. Pierce, James Gad, George Needham, Clitus A. Guy, William M. Nesbitt, George J. Ingram. 7.

Ques. 11. What local preachers are ordained deacons?

James C. Gill, George Needham, George J. Ingram. 3.

Ques. 12. What traveling preachers are elected elders?

John W. Lewis, Robert D. Bennett, Lewis E. Campbell, George B. Overton, George W. Gilmore. 5.

Ques. 13. What traveling preachers are ordained elders?

John W. Lewis, Robert D. Bennett, Lewis E. Campbell, George B. Overton, George W. Gilmore. 5.

Ques. 14. What local preachers are elected elders?

John P. Hogard, Oswell Brockman, Thomas G. Cornelius, William C. Bond. 4.

Ques. 15. What local preachers are ordained elders?

Algernon S. Walker, William R. Eads, John J. Ferry, John T. Yates, Giles R. Randolph, Joseph R. Booth, Oswell Brockman, Thomas G. Cornelius, William C. Bond. 9.

Ques. 16. Who are located this year?

William Childers. 1.

Ques. 17. Who are supernumerary?

William T. Moore, George W. Gilmore, William H. Anderson, J. W. Price, Z. M. Taylor. 5.

Ques. 18. Who are superannuated?

Thomas D. Lewis, Joel Peak, Alex. McCown, John B. Perry. 4.

Ques. 19. What preachers have died during the past year?

William H. Morrison, Alison Aiken, R. W. Stone. 3.

WILLIAM H. MORRISON was born in Fayette county, Pa., Feb. 25, 1823. He was married first by the Rev. A. Young to Miss Matilda

Smith, daughter of James C. and Julia A. Smith, in Union Town, Fayette county, Pa., Nov. 16, 1843. She died in July, 1862, and he was again married by the Rev. J. F. Redford to Mrs. Mary Eliza Leavell, daughter of John and Nancy A. Lauder, at Salubria Springs, Christian county, Ky., Dec. 13, 1865. He died at his home near Casky's Station, Christian county, Ky., March 4, 1873, aged fifty years and seven days. He professed religion and connected himself with the M. E. Church when about ten years of age. He was licensed to preach by the Quarterly Conference of the Greenville Circuit, in the Louisville Conference, Feb. 16, 1847. He was admitted on trial into the Louisville Annual Conference in Oct., 1847, was ordained deacon in Oct., 1849, and elder in Oct., 1851. He was connected with the Conference twenty-five years and about six months. He was effective twenty-one years, supernumerary two years, and superannuated two and a half years. During his effective ministry he was one year on a mission, nine years on circuits, and eleven years on districts. After coming to Kentucky, and before he entered the ministry, he worked at the tailoring business, and from the date of his superannuation, which occurred in 1870, to the time of his death, he was engaged in farming. Brother Morrison was, in every sense of the word, a gentleman—his instincts were noble, his impulses generous, his sense of propriety refined, his manners dignified, courteous, affable. He had, in a rare degree, the faculty of adapting himself to any company into which he might be thrown, and hence was a great favorite in social life. It was pleasant to meet him and greet him, and be with him. Families vied with each other in their efforts to secure his company, and cherished the recollection of his visits as among the most pleasant episodes of their home life. He was also a safe man. A sound judgment enabled him, after maturing a subject well, to reach a correct conclusion, and a tender, well-trained conscience aided him in the rendition of a righteous verdict in almost every case submitted to his arbitrament; and these, united with a rare prudence, made him no mean diplomatist, and invested him with the attributes of a most trustworthy counselor. Hence his peculiar fitness for the Presiding Eldership, a fact soon discovered by his brethren who suggested him for the position in which he so long and so faithfully served the Church. He was a solid man—truthful, candid, unbiassed, "extenuating nothing and setting down naught in malice." His statements on all subjects were worthy of the fullest credit. Once assured that he was right, he clung to any cause which he espoused, through "evil report and good report," with a tenacity from which he could not be driven by fear, favor, or affection. Supremely unselfish, "seeking not his own, but the things of others," his integrity was as incorruptible as gold. Starting early, and being blessed of heaven with a clear, well-defined personal religious experience, his piety, while not whimsical, was sufficiently

emotional to impart a pleasant glow to his enjoyments, and in process of time ripened into the most implicit confidence in God, which beget an unswerving devotion to his service. It sufficed to keep him amid trials and temptations most severe, and developed a perfection and uprightness whose end was peace. As a preacher, he was clear, sound, practical. His sermons, while not ornate, were pointed and effective. He gave himself unreservedly to the strictly legitimate work of his calling—was successful in winning souls to Christ, and in building up the interests of the Church in his various fields of labor; and after nearly twenty years of active service in his Master's vineyard, has gone to dwell forever with the Lord.

ALISON AIKEN was the son of Robert and Rosanna Aiken. He was born in Maury county, Tenn., Sept. 9, 1814, and died in Caldwell county, Ky., Oct. 17, 1872. He was brought up under the influence of family religion. His first religious impressions were made while his own father was praying around the family altar. At twenty-five years of age he was converted at a Cumberland Presbyterian camp-meeting, soon after which he united with the Methodist Church, and was appointed a leader of the class in which his parents were members. He was not long in this work before he felt himself called of God to preach the gospel. When he received his first license is not known, but he was received into the Tennessee Conference in 1841, at Clarksville. He was ordained a deacon in 1844 by Bishop Paine, and in 1846 Bishop Soule ordained him elder. His fields of labor in the Tennessee Conference were Wayne, Dover, Cypress, Centerville, Dickson, Montgomery, and Trinity, Ala. In most of these charges he was successful, adding numbers to the Church, and building up her interests. He was an earnest, faithful man, and the people counted him an able minister of the New Testament. He impressed them that he was an ambassador for Christ. In 1855 he was transferred to the Louisville Conference, with which he was connected until his death. The odor of a good name still survives on Eddyville and Empire Circuits, the Smithland District, and other fields of labor which he so faithfully served. He never located, and when failing health and strength made him supernumerary, and then superannuated, he still retained a lively interest in the glorious work, and listened eagerly to the song of the reapers, and rejoiced to see them bringing in the sheaves. His last illness was congestion, with which he suffered much; but the grace of God was sufficient. He endured affliction with patience, and calmly resigned himself to the will of God. His end was peace. A little while before he died his faithful wife asked him how he felt in regard to the future. He answered, "My trust is in God; I'm not afraid to die." At one time he said, "If I miss heaven, I shall be the most disappointed man that ever lived." He leaves a widow and three children to lament their loss.

R. W. STONE was born, in White county, Tenn., in the year 1846. He professed religion and joined the Baptist Church in 1869. During the same year he joined the M. E. Church, South, under the ministry of the Rev. W. F. Harwell, and was soon after licensed to preach, and recommended to be admitted into the traveling connection by the Quarterly Conference of the New Roe Circuit. He was admitted during the session of the Louisville Conference at Owensboro, in 1869, and appointed to the Wayne Circuit, where he labored faithfully and successfully. In 1870 he was appointed to the Marion Circuit, where he did a good work. In 1871 he was appointed to the Oakland Circuit, where he succeeded well for a part of the year, when he was attacked with a hemorrhage of the lungs, and was constrained to desist. His health seeming to be greatly improved, he was appointed, in 1872, to the Litchfield Circuit. He entered upon his work with his accustomed zeal and energy, and the prospect seemed to be bright for a year of great success, but in a few months he was again stricken down. His work was done. He was able, with his family, to reach the residence of his father-in-law, Mr. W. O. SNOW, of Allen county, Ky., where he lingered for some weeks, suffering much, but bearing his affliction with the utmost Christian resignation. He died in great peace and triumph, Feb. 24, 1873. Brother Stone was a young man of more than ordinary mental endowments, and pretty well educated. He was a devoted student, and entirely consecrated to God, and to the work of the ministry, to which, doubtless, he was called. He had studied medicine, and had attended one course of lectures, but fully believing that God had called him to labor in another sphere, he abandoned his cherished profession, and was obedient to the heavenly calling.

Ques. 20. Are all the preachers blameless in their life and official administration?

Their names were called over, one by one, and their characters examined and passed.

Ques. 21. What is the number of local preachers and members in the several circuits, stations, and missions of the Conference?

Louisville District.

	White Mem's.	Col'd Mem's.	Loc'l Pr's.
Louisville:			
Walnut Street.....	400	.....	2
Broadway.....	395	.....	4
Chestnut Street.....	405	.....	1
Shelby Street.....	330	.....	3
Bascom.....	177	.....	.....
Portland and Jefferson Street.....	255	.....	3
McKendree and Kavanaugh.....	148	.....	1
Asbury and Bethel.....	62	.....	1
Middletown Circuit.....	142	.....	.....
Louisville Circuit.....	278	.....	2
Jeffersonville Station.....	104	.....	1
	2696	.....	18

Elizabethtown District.

	White Mem's.	Col'd Mem's.	Loc'l Pr's.
Elizabethtown Station.....	149	.....	.....
Big Spring Circuit.....	468	4	4
Brandenburg Circuit.....	291	.....	1
Hardinsburg Circuit.....	350	.....	1
Litchfield Circuit.....	278	.....	3
Caneyville Mission.....	8	.....	.....
Hodgenville Circuit.....	384	.....	3
West Point Circuit.....	272	1	2
Garnettsville Circuit.....	211	.....	1
Shepherdsville Circuit.....	220	.....	.....
Salt River Mission.....	43	.....	.....
Jeffersontown Circuit.....	460	.....	2
Hudsonville Circuit.....	540	.....	6
	3674	5	23

Owensboro District.

	White Mem's.	Col'd Mem's.	Loc'l Pr's.
Owensboro Station.....	220	.....	.....
Owensboro Mission.....	120	.....	1
Yelvington Circuit.....	288	.....	3
Calhoun Circuit.....	246	.....	2
Livermore Circuit.....	185	.....	1
Hartford Circuit.....	457	.....	3
Whitesville Mission.....	140	.....	.....
Hawesville Circuit.....	206	.....	1
Lewisport Circuit.....	287	.....	3
Cromwell Circuit.....	320	.....	.....
Gospport and New Albany.....	130	.....	.....
	2593	.....	14

Henderson District.

	White Mem's.	Col'd Mem's.	Loc'l Pr's.
Henderson Station.....	130	.....	1
Corydon Circuit.....	586	.....	2
Morganfield Circuit.....	239	.....	2
Caseyville Circuit.....	245	.....	3
Madisonville Circuit.....	385	.....	6
Slaughtersville Circuit.....	421	.....	3
Sacramento Circuit.....	280	.....	3
Greenville Circuit.....	476	.....	1
West Greenville Circuit.....	134	.....	2
Dixon Circuit.....	223	.....	3
Spottsville Circuit.....	241	.....	1
Nortonville Mission.....	75	.....	1
	3440	.....	23

Princeton District.

	White Mem's.	Col'd Mem's.	Loc'l Pr's.
Princeton and Eddyville.....	197	.....	1
Eddyville Circuit.....	265	1	1
Smithland Station.....	83	.....	.....
Smithland Circuit.....	262	.....	3
Salem Mission.....	165	.....	1
Marion Circuit.....	461	.....	4
Fredonia Circuit.....	145	.....	1
Parkersville Circuit.....	292	.....	.....
Cadiz Circuit.....	418	.....	1
La Fayette Circuit.....	295	.....	1
Empire Mission.....	160	.....	1
Crofton Circuit.....	161	.....	2
	2904	1	16

Russellville District.

	White Mem's.	Col'd Mem's.	Loc'l Pr's.
Russellville Station.....	195	.....	.....
Adairville Circuit.....	325	.....	2
Allensville Circuit.....	247	.....	.....
Cave Spring Circuit.....	173	.....	2
Henryville Circuit.....	437	1	3
Auburn Circuit.....	185	.....	1
Elkton Circuit.....	245	.....	4
Todd Circuit.....	237	.....	1
Fairview Circuit.....	362	.....	.....
Hopkinsville Station.....	116	.....	.....
Trenton and Shiloh Mission.....	62	.....	1
Sharon Mission.....	249	.....	1
	2833	1	15

Bowling Green District.

	White Mem's	Cold Mem's	Loc'l Pr's.
Bowling Green Station.....	245	.....	1
Franklin Station.....	155	.....	2
Glasgow Station.....	94	1	.....
New Roe Circuit.....	526	.....	5
Scottsville Circuit.....	735	7	5
Smith's Grove Circuit.....	411	4	4
Bowling Green Circuit.....	252	1	3
North Bowling Green Circuit.....	273	.....	.....
Franklin Circuit.....	370	.....	2
Brownsville Circuit.....	290	.....	4
Morgantown Mission.....	154	.....	2
	3505	13	28

Columbia District.

	White Mem's	Cold Mem's	Loc'l Pr's.
Columbia Circuit.....	635	10	5
Burksville Circuit.....	260	.....	2
Edmonton Circuit.....	239	.....	4
Glasgow Circuit.....	340	1	1
Tompkinsville Circuit.....	424	4	5
Wayne and South Fork Mission.....	501	.....	5
Albany Circuit.....	397	1	3
Jamestown Circuit.....	309	3	3
Liberty Mission.....	114	.....	2
Cumberland Mission.....	570	3	7
	3789	22	37

Lebanon District.

	White Mem's	Cold Mem's	Loc'l Pr's.
Bardstown Station.....	130	.....	.....
Lebanon Station.....	65	.....	.....
Springfield and Bradfordsville.....	316	.....	1
New Haven Circuit.....	322	.....	.....
Campbellsville Circuit.....	480	.....	4
Taylor Circuit.....	383	.....	2
Greensburg Circuit.....	406	1	1
Caverna.....	185	3	3
Munfordsville Circuit.....	333	1	4
Bacon Creek Circuit.....	584	.....	2
Nolin Mission.....	.....	.....	.....
Buffalo Mission.....	287	.....	2
	3491	5	19

Indiana District.

	White Mem's	Cold Mem's	Loc'l Pr's.
Waldron Circuit.....	117	.....	2
Galveston Circuit.....	10	.....	1
	127	.....	3

Recapitulation.

Louisville District.....	2696	.....	18
Elizabethtown ".....	3674	5	23
Owensboro ".....	2593	.....	14
Henderson ".....	3440	.....	28
Princeton ".....	2904	1	16
Russellville ".....	2833	1	15
Bowling Green ".....	3505	13	28
Columbia ".....	3789	22	37
Lebanon ".....	3491	5	19
Indiana ".....	127	.....	3
Total this year.....	29,052	47	201
Total last year.....	28,510	70	195
Increase.....	542	.....	6
Decrease.....	.....	23	.....

Ques. 22. How many infants have been baptized during the year?
754.

Ques. 23. How many adults have been baptized during the year?
1313.

Ques. 24. What is the number of Sunday-schools?
193.

Ques. 25. What is the number of Sunday-school teachers?
1424.

Ques. 26. What is the number of Sunday-school scholars?
10,905.

Ques. 27. What amount is necessary for the superannuated preachers, and the widows and orphans of preachers?
\$3,700.

Ques. 28. What has been collected on the foregoing account, and how has it been applied? Collected, \$2,147 90. Distributed among the claimants.

Ques. 29. What has been contributed for missions?
\$4,500.

Ques. 30. Where shall the next session of the Conference be held?
At Princeton, Ky.

Ques. 31. Where are the preachers stationed this year?

LOUISVILLE DISTRICT.

E. W. Sehon, P. E.

Louisville:
Walnut Street, H. C. Settle.
Broadway, B. M. Messick, W. H. Anderson, Sup.
Chestnut Street, Richard H. Rivers.
Shelby Street, Henry C. Morrison.
Bascom, J. S. Scobee.
Jefferson Street, Jacob P. Goodson.
Portland Mission and New Albany, J. W. Shelton.
McKendree Mission, J. R. Strange.
Kavanaugh, Asbury, and Bethel Mission, Matthew N. Lasley.
Middletown Circuit, A. K. Cox.
Louisville Circuit, T. G. Bosley.
Jeffersonville, S. H. Lovelace.
Gospport, Val. P. Thomas.
Publishing House, A. H. Redford, Agent.

ELIZABETHTOWN DISTRICT.

L. B. Davison, P. E.

Elizabethtown and Litchfield, John W. Lewis.
Big Spring Circuit, J. D. Barnett.
Brandenburg Circuit, D. L. Collie.
Hardinsburg Circuit, G. B. Overton.
Litchfield Circuit, Silas Spurrier.
Caneyville Mission, William J. Free.
Hodgenville Circuit, B. A. Cundiff.
West Point Mission, J. W. Taylor.
Garnettsville, Henry N. Hobbs.
Shepherdsville Circuit, J. M. Phillips.
Jeffersontown Circuit, J. S. McDaniel.
Hudsonville Circuit, G. S. King.
Cloverport Station, F. G. Brodie.
Widows' and Orphans' Home, C. D. Donaldson, Agent.

OWENSBORO DISTRICT.

J. M. Lawson, P. E.

Owensboro Station, T. C. Berry.
 Owensboro Mission, W. Williams.
 Yelvington Circuit, Silas Newton.
 Calhoun Circuit, M. M. Hunter.
 Livermore Circuit, R. D. Bennett.
 Hartford Circuit, James R. Dempsey.
 Whitesville Circuit, W. F. Ford.
 Hawesville Circuit, E. R. Harrison.
 Lewisport Circuit, Samuel C. Allen.
 Cromwell Circuit, W. L. Corbin.

HENDERSON DISTRICT.

N. H. Lee, P. E.

Henderson Station, G. W. Brush.
 Corydon Circuit, Timothy C. Peters.
 Morganfield Circuit, S. L. Murrell.
 Caseyville Circuit, Thomas G. Fallin.
 Madisonville Circuit, C. Y. Boggess.
 Slaughter'sville Circuit, S. L. Lee.
 Sacramento Circuit, Elijah Thurman.
 Greenville Circuit, W. W. Cook.
 West Greenville, W. W. Mann.
 Dixon, Joseph C. Norman.
 Spottsville, Benjamin D. Griffin.
 Nortonville Mission, Josiah Godbey.

PRINCETON DISTRICT.

H. M. Ford, P. E.

Princeton and Eddyville, James L. Edrington.
 Eddyville Circuit, R. B. McCown.
 Smithland Station, T. J. Randolph, J. W. Price,
 Sup.
 Smithland Circuit, J. W. Love.
 Salem Circuit, Richard C. Love.
 Marion Circuit, G. W. Crumbaugh, W. T.
 Moore, Sup.
 Fredonia Circuit, T. I. Richardson.
 Parkersville Circuit, William T. Reid.
 Cadiz Circuit, Philip T. Hardison.
 La Fayette Circuit, R. C. Alexander.
 Empire Circuit, James C. Brandon.
 Crofton, Wes. C. Brandon.
 Linton, Cassius H. Dowell.

RUSSELLVILLE DISTRICT

David Morton, P. E.

Russellville Station, Dennis Spurrier.
 Adairville Circuit, James C. Petrie.
 Allensville Circuit, G. R. Browder.
 Cane Spring Circuit, Robert Tucker.
 Henryville Circuit, D. S. Campbell.
 Auburn Circuit, Robert Fisk.
 Elkton Circuit, James A. Lewis.
 Todd Circuit, Alanson C. Dewitt.
 Fairview Circuit, Isaac W. Emerson.
 Hopkinsville Station, T. Bottomley.
 Trenton Mission, Wm. Alexander.
 Logan Female College, David Morton, Agent.

BOWLING GREEN DISTRICT.

E. M. Crow, P. E.

Bowling Green Station, J. G. Wilson, John S.
 Keen.
 Franklin Station, E. W. Bottomley.
 Glasgow Station, L. E. Campbell.
 New Roe Circuit, Francis M. Rose.
 Scottsville Circuit, William C. Slate, G. W.
 Gilmore, Sup.
 Smith's Grove, James J. Ruddell.
 Bowling Green Circuit, William F. Harwell.
 North Bowling Green Circuit, J. L. Brown.
 Franklin Circuit, Robert Y. Thomas.
 Brownsville Mission, A. G. Fraser.
 Morgantown Mission, T. M. Penick.
 Warren College, J. G. Wilson, President.
 Board of Education, J. F. Redford, Agent.

COLUMBIA DISTRICT.

T. C. Frogge, P. E.

Columbia and Breeding's Chapel, W. W. Lam-
 -buth.
 Columbia Circuit, Milton A. Nantz.
 Burksville Circuit, J. G. Freeman.
 Edmonton Mission, S. A. Feltner.
 Glasgow Circuit, David Bowles.
 Tompkinsville Circuit, W. R. Godbey.
 Wayne Circuit, Leonard Ames.
 Albany Circuit, George H. Means.
 Jamestown Circuit, James W. Bunton.
 Liberty Mission, to be supplied (by Charles
 Smith).
 Cumberland Circuit, to be supplied (by Samuel
 P. Hulse).
 South Fork Mission, L. Hullitt.

LEBANON DISTRICT.

George H. Hayes, P. E.

Bardstown Station, G. W. Lyon.
 Lebanon Station, J. S. Wools.
 Springfield and Bradfordsville, B. F. Biggs.
 New Haven Circuit, G. F. Cundiff.
 Campbellsville Circuit, T. G. Harrison.
 Mount Lebanon Circuit, L. Hirschburg.
 Greensburg Circuit, W. C. Hayes.
 Munfordsville, George Needham.
 Caverna Circuit, John S. McGee, Z. M. Tay-
 -lor, Sup.
 Bacon Creek Circuit and Nolin Mission, J. C.
 Gill.
 Buffalo Circuit, W. T. Davenport.
 Chalk Ridge Mission, to be supplied (by James
 McCown).

R. F. Hayes transferred to Illinois Confer-
 -ence.

W. L. King transferred to West St. Louis
 Conference.

Jackson S. Burnett transferred to Holston
 Conference.

19.—ST. LOUIS CONFERENCE.

HELD AT CHARLESTON, MO., *October 15-20, 1873.*

BISHOP WIGHTMAN, *President*; L. M. LEWIS, *Secretary*.

QUESTION 1. Who are admitted on trial?

ANSWER. John Taylor Allen. 1.

Ques. 2. Who remain on trial?

La Fayette Hull, George H. Adams, Benj. K. Thrower, Henry Hanesworth, Alexander M. Robinson, Dixon F. Gourley. 6.

Ques. 3. Who are discontinued?

James E. Tribble. 1.

Ques. 4. Who are admitted into full connection?

Joseph A. Russell. 1.

Ques. 5. Who are readmitted?

Robert A. Rogers, Stephen A. Ritchey. 2.

Ques. 6. Who are received by transfer from other Conferences?

Benjamin K. Thrower, Henry Hanesworth, J. R. Hicks, Edward Hicks. 4.

Ques. 7. Who are the deacons of one year?

Charles Divinney, John C. Duncan. 2.

Ques. 8. What traveling preachers are elected deacons?

Joseph A. Russell, George H. Adams, Benj. K. Thrower, Henry Hanesworth. 4.

Ques. 9. What traveling preachers are ordained deacons?

Joseph A. Russell, George H. Adams, Benj. K. Thrower, Henry Hanesworth. 4.

Ques. 10. What local preachers are elected deacons?

James R. Ledbetter, James M. Pickens, John C. Shannon, Edwin Trevor, David C. Flynn. 5.

Ques. 11. What local preachers are ordained deacons?

David C. Flynn, John C. Shannon, Edwin Trevor, William P. Clanahan, Benjamin C. Cooper. 5.

Ques. 12. What traveling preachers are elected elders?

William M. Shelton, John R. Eddleman. 2.

Ques. 13. What traveling preachers are ordained elders?

William M. Shelton, John R. Eddleman. 2.

Ques. 14. What local preachers are elected elders?

James A. Carter, Wiley J. Frey, Ransom A. Bradley. 3.

Ques. 15. What local preachers are ordained elders?

James A. Carter, Madison Adams. 2.

Ques. 16. Who are located this year?

Jas. L. McFarland, Jonathan K. Hawkins. 2.

Ques. 17. Who are supernumerary?

None.

Ques. 18. Who are superannuated?

Christian Eaker, W. R. Babcock, J. N. W. Springer, John Thomas, Wesley Browning, John C. Williams. 6.

Ques. 19. What preachers have died during the past year?

Andrew Peace, William Alexander. 2.

ANDREW PEACE was a native of Kentucky, and commenced his labors as an itinerant Methodist preacher in the Kentucky Conference about the year 1828; two or three years thereafter he was transferred to the Missouri Conference. In this Conference, or rather that portion of it now embraced in the St. Louis Conference, he spent the remainder of his life, and, with the exception of a few years during which he was local, was one of our most laborious and useful circuit-preachers—much esteemed and loved by those who knew him best. His early educational advantages were poor; but this deficiency was to a great extent overcome by his deep piety and the zeal and fervor of his soul, which were so conspicuous in his public ministrations—especially in his exhortations and prayers. Scores, if not hundreds, of redeemed souls will, we believe, rise up in the great day and call him blessed, as the instrumental cause of their awakening and conversion. He was taken sick, or rather had a relapse of fever, during the sitting of our last Conference at Arcadia, and died a few days after its adjournment, at his boarding-place, exclaiming, "Blessed Jesus! Blessed Jesus! All my hope of heaven is through the blood of the cross." Thus died our brother—full of years, full of fruitful labors, and full of the "hope of the gospel." It is not amiss to state here that his second wife, daughter of the Rev. John McFarland, one of the pioneer Methodist preachers of Missouri, was by his bedside, ministering to him in his last sickness, and, being stricken down herself by the same malady, followed her husband, in a very few days, to the land of rest.

WILLIAM ALEXANDER, precious in the memory of all who knew him, was a faithful preacher

of the gospel of Christ, and a "workman that needed not to be ashamed." He served the Church as a traveling preacher in the St. Louis Conference from 1852 until Dec. 15, 1872, when he died in peace, in the bosom of his family, on the Jackson Circuit, to which he had been appointed, at the preceding Conference, for the third time. Always hopeful, always trusting, he never seemed to waver for a moment in his strong conviction that all the precious promises of God to his people would be fulfilled. He was a man of good preaching abilities, and the unction which accompanied his ministrations imparted to them peculiar sweetness. He was a man of much prayer. The pathway that leads to heaven seems plainer and more practicable as we see it marked by the footprints of such men as William Alexander. May we emulate his many excellent traits of Christian and ministerial character, and present as good a record when the Master shall call us home! Brother Alexander has left behind a most estimable wife and five children, to whom we owe a debt of sympathy and the tenderest regard.

Ques. 20. Are all the preachers blameless in their life and official administration?

Their names were called over, one by one, and their characters examined and passed.

Ques. 21. What is the number of local preachers and members in the several circuits, stations, and missions of the Conference?

St. Louis District.

	White Mem's.	Col'd Mem's.	Loc'l Pr's.
St. Louis:			
First Church.....	347	.....	2
Marvin Mission.....	.....	.....	.....
Centenary.....	305	.....	1
St. John's.....	300	.....	.....
St. Paul's.....	100	.....	.....
Wesley Chapel.....	56	.....	.....
Bellefontaine.....	161	.....	.....
Eden.....	73	1	.....
Bridgeton.....	107	.....	.....
Mount Olive.....	47	.....	1
Carondelet.....	114	.....	3
Manchester.....	102	.....	.....
Meramac.....	100	.....	.....
St. James.....	49	.....	2
Labadie and Washington.....	220	.....	1
Kirkwood.....	79	.....	1
	2160	1	11

Salem District.

Salem and Licking.....	386	.....	4
Houston.....	144	.....	3
West Plains and Thomasville.....	300	.....	7
Alton.....	192	.....	5
Doniphan.....	245	.....	2
Van Buren.....	144	.....	1
Rolla Circuit.....	211	.....	3
Patterson.....	170	.....	6
Poplar Bluff.....	300	.....	3
Centerville.....	182	.....	4
Webster Mission.....	25	.....	.....
	2299	.....	38

Iron Mountain District.

Arcadia.....	156	.....	2
Iron Mountain.....	350	.....	3
Caledonia and Irondale.....	110	.....	2

Iron Mountain District (continued).

	White Mem's.	Col'd Mem's.	Loc'l Pr's.
Platten.....	141	.....	.....
Farmington.....	453	.....	2
Fredericktown.....	105	.....	.....
Fredericktown Circuit.....	440	.....	3
Perryville.....	365	.....	2
Cuba.....	127	.....	2
Steelville and Potosi.....	114	.....	9
St. Clair.....	63	.....	.....
	2424	.....	25

Charleston District.

Charleston.....	244	1	2
Charleston Circuit.....	144	.....	.....
East Prairie.....	158	.....	.....
New Madrid.....	300	.....	1
Benton.....	235	.....	3
Gayoso.....	208	.....	5
Grand Prairie.....	239	.....	4
West Prairie.....	100	.....	2
Bloomfield.....	210	.....	4
Spring Hill.....	157	.....	4
Marble Hill.....	629	.....	5
Jackson.....	356	1	.....
	2980	2	30

Recapitulation.

St. Louis District.....	2160	1	11
Salem.....	2299	.....	38
Iron Mountain.....	2424	.....	25
Charleston.....	2980	2	30
Total this year.....	9863	3	104
Total last year.....	9984	.....	95
Increase.....		3	9
Decrease.....	121		

Ques. 22. How many infants have been baptized during the year?
384.

Ques. 23. How many adults have been baptized during the year?
254.

Ques. 24. What is the number of Sunday-schools?
101.

Ques. 25. What is the number of Sunday-school teachers?
620.

Ques. 26. What is the number of Sunday-school scholars?
4640.

Ques. 27. What amount is necessary for the superannuated preachers, and the widows and orphans of preachers?
\$3,050.

Ques. 28. What has been collected on the foregoing account, and how has it been applied?
Collected, \$1,330 35. Disbursed to the claimants according to their respective claims.

Ques. 29. What has been contributed for missions?
\$1,807 63.

Ques. 30. Where shall the next session of the Conference be held?
At Caledonia, Washington county, Mo.

Ques. 31. Where are the preachers stationed this year?

ST. LOUIS DISTRICT.

W. M. Leftwich, P. E.

St. Louis:

- First Church, L. M. Lewis.
- Centenary, J. H. Linn.
- St. John's, J. W. Lewis.
- St. Paul's, to be supplied.
- Choteau Avenue, J. H. St. Clair.

Carondelet:

- First Charge, to be supplied.
- Second Charge, to be supplied (by J. Turner).

Bellefontaine, W. M. Williams.

Bridgeton, F. A. Morris.

Eden, J. R. Hicks.

Mount Olive, S. A. Mason.

Kirkwood and Fenton, B. K. Thrower.

Manchester and Bethel, J. S. Frazier.

St. Louis City Mission, to be supplied.

Editor *Christian Advocate*, D. R. McAnally.

SALEM DISTRICT.

T. M. Finney, P. E.

Salem and Licking, to be supplied.

Houston and Eminence, to be supplied.

West Plains and Thomasville, S. A. Ritchey.

Alton, to be supplied.

Rolla, to be supplied.

St. James and Steelville, E. Hicks.

Cuba, to be supplied.

Washington and St. Clair, J. E. Godbey, C. E. Devinney.

Sinking Creek Mission, A. M. Robinson.

POPLAR BLUFF DISTRICT.

M. Arrington, P. E.

- Poplar Bluff, to be supplied (by T. Lane).
- Poplar Bluff Circuit, to be supplied (by J. R. Ledbetter).

Doniphan, Jacob Cox.

Piedmont, to be supplied.

Cold Water, to be supplied (by S. A. Richmond).

Patterson, to be supplied (by W. P. Clannahan).

Spring Hill, to be supplied (by E. O. Goodman).

Bloomfield, D. F. Gourley.

West Prairie, to be supplied (by J. Davidson).

Grand Prairie, R. H. Rogers.

CHARLESTON DISTRICT.

D. J. Marquis, P. E.

Charleston, L. F. Aspley.

Charleston Circuit, H. N. Watts.

Jackson, J. T. Allen.

Benton, T. G. Atchison.

Marble Hill, J. R. Eddleman.

Perryville, G. H. Adams.

Belmont, to be supplied (by C. P. Crumley).

New Madrid, L. W. Powell.

Gayoso, to be supplied.

IRON MOUNTAIN DISTRICT.

A. T. Scruggs, P. E.

Arcadia, J. C. Duncan.

Caledonia and Irondale, H. Hanesworth.

Iron Mountain, J. C. Berryman.

Potosi, S. W. Barbee.

Platten, J. A. Russell.

Farmington Circuit, H. S. Watts.

Fredericktown and Farmington, W. M. Shelton.

Fredericktown Circuit, L. Hull.

Oak Ridge, G. W. Hull.

Bellevue Collegiate Institute, J. H. Headley, Principal; C. D. N. Campbell, Agent.

20.—WEST ST. LOUIS CONFERENCE.

HELD AT SPRINGFIELD, MO., *October 1-7, 1873.*

BISHOP WIGHTMAN, *President*; W. M. PROTTSMAN, *Secretary*.

QUESTION 1. Who are admitted on trial?

ANSWER. Jas. W. Means, Jno. A. Swift. 2.

Ques. 2. Who remain on trial?

Lewis Hornbeck, E. W. Woodward, J. N. Read, Isaac Stapleton, J. M. Breeding, J. T. Springfield, R. A. Allen, J. W. Agee.

Ques. 3. Who are discontinued?

S. M. Godbey, M. L. McClure. 2.

Ques. 4. Who are admitted into full connection?

R. H. Shaeffer, R. A. Holloway, J. L. D. Blevans, John D. Wood, L. W. Pearce, C. O. Jones, J. L. Heagler. 7.

Ques. 5. Who are readmitted?

Preston Philips, Luther Pulliam, J. B. Landreth, W. M. Bewley, W. E. Woodard, Thos. Wallace. 6.

Ques. 6. Who are received by transfer from other Conferences?

Jacob Ditzler, W. L. King, W. S. Woodard, W. H. Stevens. 4.

Ques. 7. Who are the deacons of one year?
Wm. C. Montgomery, C. D. Davis. 2.

Ques. 8. What traveling preachers are elected deacons?

R. H. Shaeffer, L. W. Pearce, C. O. Jones, J. N. Read. 4.

Ques. 9. What traveling preachers are ordained deacons?

J. N. Read, J. T. Stringfield, C. O. Jones, L. W. Pearce, R. H. Shaeffer. 5.

Ques. 10. What local preachers are elected deacons?

John A. Swift, W. M. McAlister. 2.

Ques. 11. What local preachers are ordained deacons?

John A. Swift, W. B. Hill, W. M. McAlister, John Scoggin. 4.

Ques. 12. What traveling preachers are elected elders?

James J. Carden, C. H. Briggs, J. L. D. Blevans, John D. Wood. 4.

Ques. 13. What traveling preachers are ordained elders?

James J. Carden, C. H. Briggs, J. L. D. Blevans, John D. Wood. 4.

Ques. 14. What local preachers are elected elders?

Preston Philips, J. L. Logan, W. D. Stewart, W. H. McDaniel, J. B. Landreth. 5.

Ques. 15. What local preachers are ordained elders?

Preston Philips, T. J. Hutchison, J. F. Box, J. B. Landreth, J. L. Logan, W. H. McDaniel, W. D. Stewart. 7.

Ques. 16. Who are located this year?

P. W. Duncan, S. J. Bostick, D. A. McKnight, J. O. Church. 4.

Ques. 17. Who are supernumerary?

N. Scarritt, H. W. Webster, John C. Shackelford. 3.

Ques. 18. Who are superannuated?

S. S. Colburn, John Monroe, Wm. Holmes, N. T. Shaler, Josiah Godbey, J. F. Scurlock. 6.

Ques. 19. What preachers have died during the past year?

None.

Ques. 20. Are all the preachers blameless in their life and official administration?

Their names were called over, one by one, and their characters examined and passed.

Ques. 21. What is the number of local preachers and members in the several circuits, stations, and missions of the Conference?

Boonville District.

	White Mem's.	Col'd Mem's.	Loc'l Pr's.
Boonville Station.....	176	.....	.....
Belle Air Circuit.....	230	.....	1
Boonville Mission.....	50	.....	1
Arrow Rock and Marshall.....	173	.....	1
Marshall Circuit.....	450	3	1
Sedalia Station.....	64	.....	2
Sedalia Circuit.....	255	.....	6
Versailles Circuit.....	194	2	2
Tipton and Wesley.....	140	.....	.....
California Circuit.....	154	1	.....
Prairie Home Circuit.....	183	1	2
Jefferson City Station.....	56	.....	.....
Jefferson City Circuit.....	160	.....	1
Chamois Circuit.....	190	2	.....
	2475	9	17

Lexington District.

Lexington Station.....	249	.....	1
Dover Circuit.....	193	.....	1
228	.....	1	.....
Aullsville Circuit.....	228	1	.....
Brownsville and Blackwater.....	202	.....	2
Wellington Circuit.....	125	.....	1
Windsor Station.....	140	.....	1
Clinton Station.....	40	.....	1
La Monte Circuit.....	254	.....	1
Grand Pass Circuit.....	163	.....	1
Waverley Station.....	120	.....	2
Saline Circuit.....	178	.....	.....
Cambridge Circuit.....	245	1	1
	2137	2	12

Kansas City District.

Kansas City Station.....	194	.....	1
Kansas City Mission.....	.....	.....	.....
Kansas City Circuit.....	103	.....	.....
Westport Station.....	63	.....	1
Independence Station.....	145	.....	1
Santa Fe Circuit.....	67	.....	.....
Pleasant Hill Circuit.....	127	.....	2
Columbus Circuit.....	255	.....	3
Chappell Hill Circuit.....	227	.....	2
Warrensburg Station.....	78	.....	.....
Lee's Summit Circuit.....	77	.....	.....
Pink Hill Circuit.....	236	.....	1
Harrisonville Station.....	120	.....	.....
Harrisonville Circuit.....	170	.....	3
	1862	.....	14

Nevada City District.

Nevada City Station.....	136	.....	.....
Nevada City Circuit.....	178	1	1
Osceola Circuit.....	160	.....	2
Hermitage Circuit.....	116	.....	2
Chalk Level Circuit.....	150	.....	2
Warsaw Circuit.....	145	.....	.....
Montrose Circuit.....	372	.....	2
Index Circuit.....	199	.....	3
Butler Circuit.....	297	.....	6
Little Osage Circuit.....	325	4	5
Clinton Circuit.....	404	.....	4
	2482	5	27

Neosho District.

Neosho Station.....	100	1	1
Neosho Circuit.....	222	2	1
Mount Vernon Circuit.....	284	.....	1
Greenfield Circuit.....	205	.....	4
Montevallo Circuit.....	225	.....	7
Carthage Circuit.....	266	.....	.....
Pierce City Circuit.....	255	1	3
Pineville Circuit.....	300	.....	2
Cassville Circuit.....	334	.....	4
	2191	4	23

Springfield District.

	White Mem's.	Col'd Mem's.	Loc'l Pr's.
Springfield Station	140	.....	3
North Springfield Circuit.....	203	.....	3
Springfield Circuit.....	255	.....	1
Mount Olive Circuit.....	135	.....	2
Marshfield Circuit.....	560	.....	6
Buffalo Mission	159	.....	2
Hartsville Circuit.....	254	.....	5
Stoutland Mission.....	109	.....	3
Waynesville Circuit.....	55	.....	.....
Bloom Garden Circuit.....	199	.....	5
Bolivar and Morrisville.....	302	.....	1
Bolivar Circuit.....	259	.....	2
Stockton Circuit.....	160	.....	1
	2790	.....	34

Recapitulation.

Boonville District.....	2475	9	17
Lexington ".....	2137	2	12
Kansas City ".....	1862	.....	14
Nevada City ".....	2482	5	27
Neosho ".....	2191	4	23
Springfield ".....	2790	.....	34
Total this year.....	13,937	20	127
Total last year.....	13,432	26	125
Increase.....	505		2
Decrease.....		6	

Ques. 22. How many infants have been baptized during the year?
341.

Ques. 23. How many adults have been baptized during the year?
1066.

Ques. 24. What is the number of Sunday-schools?
106.

Ques. 25. What is the number of Sunday-school teachers?
661.

Ques. 26. What is the number of Sunday-school scholars?
5045.

Ques. 27. What amount is necessary for the superannuated preachers, and the widows and orphans of preachers?
\$2,200.

Ques. 28. What has been collected on the foregoing account, and how has it been applied?
Collected, \$1,174 19. Distributed among the claimants.

Ques. 29. What has been contributed for missions?
\$1,590 35.

Ques. 30. Where shall the next session of the Conference be held?
At Lexington, Mo.

Ques. 31. Where are the preachers stationed this year?

BOONVILLE DISTRICT.

John R. Bennett, P. E.

Boonville Station, C. C. Woods.
Belle Air Circuit, Preston Phillips.
Boonville Mission, to be supplied.
Arrow Rock and Marshall, M. G. Williams.

Marshall Circuit, W. B. McFarland.
Sedalia Station, Thomas Wallace.
Sedalia Circuit, W. J. Brown.
Versailles Station, J. F. Hogan.
Versailles Circuit, E. W. Woodward.
California and Otterville, J. L. D. Blevans.
Prairie Home, J. P. Barneby.
Jefferson City Station, W. M. Prottzman.
Jefferson City Circuit, R. A. Allen.
{ Chamois Station, J. N. Read.
{ Chamois Circuit, J. W. Agee.

LEXINGTON DISTRICT.

M. M. Pugh, P. E.

Lexington Station, T. M. Cobb.
Wellington Circuit, J. J. Carden.
Aullsville Circuit, W. S. Woodard.
Lamont Circuit, J. M. Kelley.
Knobnoster and Calhoun, L. Pulliam.
Clinton and Winsor, C. D. Davis.
Brownsville and Blackwater, G. U. Keener.
Dover Circuit, W. F. Camp.
Waverley Station, C. H. Boggs, J. C. Shackelford, Sup.
Grand Pass Circuit, W. M. Bewley.
Saline Circuit, M. Adkisson.
Cambridge Circuit, A. M. Rader.
Central Female College, W. T. J. Sullivan, President.

KANSAS CITY DISTRICT.

W. C. Godbey, P. E.

Kansas City Station, F. J. Boggs, N. Scarritt, Sup.
Kansas City Circuit, to be supplied.
Westport Station, R. A. Holloway.
Independence Station, M. J. Law.
Lee's Summit, R. Minshall.
Pleasant Hill, G. A. Shaeffer, H. W. Webster Sup.
Harrisonville Station, C. H. Briggs.
Harrisonville Circuit, J. D. Wood.
Warrensburg Station, S. S. Bryant.
Columbus Circuit, M. Duren.
Chapel Hill, W. M. Pitts.
Pink Hill, J. B. H. Wooldridge.

NEVADA DISTRICT.

J. T. Peery, P. E.

Nevada City Station, T. P. Hill.
Nevada Circuit, J. W. Means.
Little Osage Circuit, J. M. Kennett.
Marmaton Circuit, L. Hornbeck.
Butler Circuit, W. L. King.
Montrose Circuit, G. P. Smith.
Chalk Level Circuit, T. W. Danner.
Clinton Circuit, J. A. Murphy.
Index Circuit, L. P. Sicheloff.
Wheatland Circuit, W. E. Woodard.
Hermitage Circuit, to be supplied.
Warsaw Circuit, J. M. Breeding.
Roscoe Circuit, R. H. Shaeffer.

NEOSHO DISTRICT.

J. Tillery, P. E.

Neosho Station, B. Margeson.
Harmony Circuit, J. M. Proctor.

Mount Vernon Circuit, J. A. Swift.
 Greenfield Circuit, T. D. Payne.
 Montevallo Circuit, T. J. Stringfield.
 Golden City Circuit, to be supplied.
 Carthage Circuit, G. C. Knowles.
 Sarcoxie Circuit, L. W. Pearce.
 Pierce City and Marionville, W. H. Stevens.
 Pineville Circuit, J. L. Heagler.
 Cassville Circuit, Isaac Stapleton.

SPRINGFIELD DISTRICT.

C. P. Jones, P. E.

Springfield Station, W. Wharton.
 Springfield Circuit, R. M. Baker.
 Bolivar and Morrisville, C. C. Wright.

Bolivar Circuit, G. M. Winton.
 Stockton Circuit, J. McGehee.
 Marshfield Circuit, W. C. Montgomery, C. F. Dryden.
 Lebanon and Stoutland, to be supplied.
 Bloom Garden and Waynesville, to be supplied.
 Hartsville Circuit, to be supplied.
 Henderson and Linden, G. P. R. Vanzant.
 Buffalo Circuit, to be supplied.
 Springfield Female College, C. O. Jones, President.
 Morrisville Institute, J. B. Landreth, Agent.
 Sunday-school Agent, Jacob Ditzler.

A. G. Stacy transferred to East Texas Conference.

21.—MISSOURI CONFERENCE.

HELD AT CARROLLTON, MO., *September 10-16, 1873.*

BISHOP WIGHTMAN, *President*; J. D. VINCIL, *Secretary*.

QUESTION 1. Who are admitted on trial?

ANSWER. Charles J. Polston, James R. A. Vaughan, John D. Shook, Jesse C. Carney, John G. Gibbins, John L. Meffert, Andrew L. Gribble, Samuel D. Barnett. 8.

Ques. 2. Who remain on trial?

J. M. O'Bryen, C. Cleavland, R. H. Cooper, W. M. Goode, A. J. Worley, W. M. Wainwright, H. W. Berry, J. O. Edmonston. 8.

Ques. 3. Who are discontinued?

None.

Ques. 4. Who are admitted into full connection?

J. J. Poage, C. A. Shearman, H. D. Groves, J. L. Taylor, J. T. Monroe, A. P. Parker, J. W. Perry, A. D. Doak, O. W. Linn, E. M. Mann, J. W. Huffaker, C. Grimes, L. F. Linn. 13.

Ques. 5. Who are readmitted?

H. W. James, J. S. Todd, W. C. Campbell. 3.

Ques. 6. Who are received by transfer from other Conferences?

A. V. Bayley, H. H. Kavanaugh, jr., T. R. Kendall, D. T. Sherman. 4.

Ques. 7. Who are the deacons of one year?

W. J. Jackson, R. H. G. Keeran, A. M. Kiergan, J. S. Allen, G. Tanquary. 5.

Ques. 8. What traveling preachers are elected deacons?

J. J. Poage, J. L. Taylor, A. P. Parker, O. W. Linn, C. Grimes, C. A. Shearman, J. F. Monroe, A. S. Doak, J. W. Huffaker, L. F. Linn. 10.

Ques. 9. What traveling preachers are ordained deacons?

J. J. Poage, J. F. Monroe, A. S. Doak, J. W. Huffaker, J. L. Taylor, C. A. Shearman, A. P. Parker, O. W. Linn, C. Grimes, L. F. Linn. 10.

Ques. 10. What local preachers are elected deacons?

J. G. Gibbins, H. T. Leeper, A. Broadhurst, W. S. Connor, W. Greenberry. 5.

Ques. 11. What local preachers are ordained deacons?

D. W. Cooley, J. G. Gibbins, H. T. Leeper, A. Broadhurst, W. S. Connor. 5.

Ques. 12. What traveling preachers are elected elders?

John S. Rooker, D. F. Bone, H. Kay, M. M. Hawkins, H. W. James. 5.

Ques. 13. What traveling preachers are ordained elders?

John S. Rooker, D. F. Bone, H. Kay, M. M. Hawkins. 4.

Ques. 14. What local preachers are elected elders?

Is. A. M. Thompson, G. H. Newton. 2.

Ques. 15. What local preachers are ordained elders?

G. H. Newton. 1.

Ques. 16. Who are located this year?

Joseph Dines, M. McIlhaney. 2.

Ques. 17. Who are supernumerary?

G. W. Rich, G. W. Primrose, C. Doggett, J. W. Ellis, Jesse Sutton, T. Dines, L. Baldwin. 7.

Ques. 18. Who are superannuated?

T. Hurst, Jesse Faubion, G. Fenton, T. J. Starr, R. H. Jordan, D. Penny. 6.

Ques. 19. What preachers have died during the past year?

William A. Mayhew, John W. Duskey (a probationer). 2.

WILLIAM ASBURY MAYHEW was born, in Darksville, Va., April 28, 1822. In his youth he was brought to the saving knowledge of Christ, and united with the Church he loved so well and served so faithfully, at Williamsport, Md., Jan., 1842. Possessing rare business qualifications, he sought the West, that he might amass wealth and secure the honors of this world. He settled in St. Charles county, and first engaged in teaching, but afterward turned his attention to mercantile pursuits, for which avocation he had been specially educated; but God had other work for his servant, and, obedient to the heavenly call, he left all to follow Christ. Having been duly recommended, he was admitted on trial into the Missouri Conference, at Hannibal, Mo., Sept., 1846. He was ordained deacon by Bishop Andrew, at Weston, in 1848, and was ordained to the office of elder by Bishop Capers, at Fayette, in 1850. From his entrance upon the itinerant work until the close of his life he was always effective, and served in every position in the Conference-work with usefulness and fidelity. As a companion he was very agreeable, being well informed upon general subjects, and especially so upon the history and doctrines of the Church. As a preacher he was eminently evangelical; the staple of his sermons was Christ crucified, and the experiences of the heart in receiving, following, and glorifying his illustrious Lord. It was in the office of Presiding Elder that our brother excelled; for this delicate and responsible place he had peculiar fitness, and he magnified the office. Always prompt, methodical, and painstaking, no interest of the Church suffered in his hands; the entire business was attended to, and, by wise and judicious measures, he set forth the cause in every charge. The young pastor was instructed and encouraged, and the Church was rallied to his support, and his quarterly visitations were anticipated with pleasure. The latter years of his ministry were perhaps the most successful of his whole career. There was an unction and a tenderness about his preaching that told more plainly than articulate language could have done that he was in earnest. The last appointment that our brother received was to Palmyra Station; and never did he enter upon his work with more spiritual zeal, nor did he ever more auspiciously open his mission among any people. While in the discharge of duty he contracted a cold, which immediately fixed itself upon his lungs, and for a week he suffered severely with pneumonia. All that the best medical skill and the most patient and tender nursing could do proved unavailing. The pathetic prayers offered from day to day by loving, sorrowing hearts were doubtless heard,

and although not answered in the restoration of the sufferer, they were answered in his abundant entrance upon the higher service about the throne. It seemed that our friend's work was done. On the morning of Nov. 29, at half-past four o'clock, he breathed his last. Spiritually, he was fully prepared to go; and we entertain the most assured hope of his safety and bliss. When told by his physician that he must die, he said to Brother Thomas E. Thompson, who has since gone to join him, "My brother, it is a hard thing to die—to leave our loved ones, and give up the work of the Church; yet, what the Lord does is right—I submit to his will. I had hoped to do much good at Palmyra, but my time is short—I must leave you in God's hands. I wanted to make some arrangements for my family—it is too late now; this grieves me, but all is right—the Lord's will be done. Saved by grace! Saved by grace! Thanks be to God for his unspeakable gift." Our ripest and most experienced men are being removed from the walls of Zion; but they "rest from their labors, and their works do follow them."

JOHN W. DUSKEY, a probationer in this Conference, was born, in Kentucky, March 3, 1819; was converted, and joined the M. E. Church, South, in Sullivan county, Mo., Feb. 20, 1845; was ordained local deacon by Bishop Kavanaugh, Sept. 13, 1868, at the Conference held in Weston; was admitted on trial, at Columbia, Sept. 19, 1870, and received his first appointment to Bethany Mission. At the next Conference he was appointed to Stewartsville, and at our last Conference was returned to the same field. The past year was one of great suffering to this earnest man of God, but he labored in much pain until he was compelled to desist. After having faithfully served his generation, by the will of God he "fell on sleep" Jan. 26, 1873. Religion comforted him in life and refreshed him in death.

Ques. 20. Are all the preachers blameless in their life and official administration?

Their names were called over, one by one, and their characters examined and passed.

Ques. 21. What is the number of local preachers and members in the several circuits, stations, and missions of the Conference?

St. Charles District.

	White Mem's.	Col'd Mem's.	Loc'l Pr's.
St. Charles Station.....	165	.....	.....
Cottleville Circuit.....	150	.....	.....
Wentzville Circuit.....	479	.....	.....
Wright City Circuit.....	250	.....	3
Jonesburg Circuit.....	320	.....	2
Ashley Circuit.....	215	.....	1
Louisiana Station.....	130	.....	.....
Clarksville Circuit.....	356	.....	2
Auburn Circuit.....	247	.....	2
Alexandria Circuit.....	327	.....	.....
Nineveh Mission.....	59	.....	1
	2698	.....	11

Mexico District.

	White Mem's.	Col'd Mem's.	Loc'l Pr's.
Mexico Station.....	280	.....	.....
Mexico Mission.....	106	.....	1
Pleasant Grove Circuit.....	266	.....	2
Fulton Station.....	240	.....	1
Cedar City Circuit.....	255	.....	.....
Portland Circuit.....	296	.....	.....
New Florence Circuit.....	281	.....	1
Montgomery City Circuit.....	290	.....	.....
Santa Fe Circuit.....	109	.....	.....
Madison Circuit.....	200	.....	1
Total	2323	.....	6

Gallatin District.

	White Mem's.	Col'd Mem's.	Loc'l Pr's.
Gallatin Station.....	303	.....	3
Trenton Mission.....	157	.....	.....
Jamesport Circuit.....	496	.....	1
Pattonsburg Circuit.....	222	.....	2
Albany Circuit.....	327	.....	1
Grant City Mission.....	73	.....	1
Bethany Circuit.....	227	.....	2
Decatur City Mission.....	33	.....	.....
Lineville Circuit.....	176	.....	2
Milan Circuit.....	354	.....	6
Greencastle Mission.....	46	.....	1
Unionville Mission.....	29	.....	1
Total	2443	.....	20

Fayette District.

	White Mem's.	Col'd Mem's.	Loc'l Pr's.
Fayette Station.....	101	.....	3
Fayette Circuit.....	403	.....	2
Glasgow Station.....	175	.....	3
Salisbury Circuit.....	470	.....	.....
Moberly Station.....	111	.....	.....
Sturgeon Circuit.....	252	.....	1
Centralia Circuit.....	228	.....	.....
Ashland Circuit.....	290	.....	.....
Columbia Station.....	119	.....	.....
Rocheport Circuit.....	467	.....	4
Total	2616	.....	13

Macon District.

	White Mem's.	Col'd Mem's.	Loc'l Pr's.
Macon City Station.....	125	.....	.....
Bloomington Circuit.....	370	.....	4
Kirksville Circuit.....	198	.....	.....
Lancaster Mission.....	119	.....	.....
Memphis Circuit.....	276	.....	1
Edina Circuit.....	223	.....	1
Sue City Mission.....	134	.....	4
Clarence Circuit.....	407	.....	2
Shelbina Circuit.....	264	.....	1
Paris Circuit.....	128	.....	.....
Huntsville Circuit.....	493	.....	4
Total	2737	.....	17

Plattsburg District.

	White Mem's.	Col'd Mem's.	Loc'l Pr's.
Plattsburg Circuit.....	249	.....	2
Osborn Circuit.....	380	.....	2
Weston Station.....	140	.....	.....
Platte City Circuit.....	350	.....	1
Liberty Circuit.....	156	.....	.....
Camden Circuit.....	184	.....	.....
Richmond Station.....	140	.....	.....
Millville Circuit.....	275	.....	2
Stewartville Circuit.....	169	.....	.....
Knoxville Circuit.....	249	.....	2
Gosneyville Circuit.....	265	.....	2
Haynesville Circuit.....	236	.....	1
Total	2793	.....	12

Hannibal District.

	White Mem's.	Col'd Mem's.	Loc'l Pr's.
Hannibal Station.....	272	.....	2
Hydesburg Circuit.....	195	.....	.....
Palmyra Station.....	142	.....	.....
Monroe City Circuit.....	213	.....	1
Florida Circuit.....	309	.....	.....
Shelbyville Station.....	154	.....	1
Shelby Circuit.....	313	.....	.....
New Ark Circuit.....	200	.....	.....
Canton Station.....	239	.....	1
La Grange Circuit.....	165	.....	1
Monticello Circuit.....	200	.....	2
Williamstown Circuit.....	242	.....	2
Alexandria Mission.....	247	.....	2
Total	2891	.....	12

St. Joseph District.

	White Mem's.	Col'd Mem's.	Loc'l Pr's.
St. Joseph:			
Francis Street Station.....	288	.....	1
Tenth Street Mission.....	70	.....	.....
St. Joseph Circuit.....	184	.....	.....
Forest City Circuit.....	150	.....	.....
Rockport Mission.....	64	.....	.....
Hamburg Mission.....	113	.....	2
Graham Circuit.....	290	.....	2
Maryville Circuit.....	120	.....	1
Alanthus Grove Mission.....	64	.....	.....
Savannah Circuit.....	32	.....	.....
Flag Spring Circuit.....	127	.....	3
Rushville Mission.....	140	.....	4
New Market Circuit.....	242	.....	.....
Total	1884	.....	13

Recapitulation.

	White Mem's.	Col'd Mem's.	Loc'l Pr's.
St. Charles District.....	2698	.....	11
Mexico ".....	2323	.....	6
Fayette ".....	2616	.....	13
Plattsburg ".....	2793	.....	12
St. Joseph ".....	1884	.....	13
Chillicothe ".....	2578	.....	16
Gallatin ".....	2443	.....	20
Macon ".....	2737	.....	17
Hannibal ".....	2891	.....	12
Total this year.....	22,963	.....	120
Total last year.....	22,578	40	125
Increase.....	385		
Decrease.....		40	5

Chillicothe District.

	White Mem's.	Col'd Mem's.	Loc'l Pr's.
Chillicothe Station.....	226	.....	1
Chillicothe Circuit.....	280	.....	5
Breckenridge Circuit.....	167	.....	.....
Mandeville Circuit.....	235	.....	.....
Norbonne Circuit.....	505	.....	.....
Carrollton Station.....	150	.....	.....
Brunswick Station.....	84	.....	1
Keytesville Circuit.....	393	.....	2
Bucklin Circuit.....	278	.....	3
Linneus Circuit.....	161	.....	2
Meadville Mission.....	99	.....	2
Total	2578	.....	16

Ques. 22. How many infants have been baptized during the year?
627.

Ques. 23. How many adults have been baptized during the year?
1260.

Ques. 24. What is the number of Sunday-schools?
246.

Ques. 25. What is the number of Sunday-school teachers?
1928.

Ques. 26. What is the number of Sunday-school scholars?

13,100.

Ques. 27. What amount is necessary for the superannuated preachers, and the widows and orphans of preachers?

\$3,000.

Ques. 28. What has been collected on the foregoing account, and how has it been applied?

Collected, \$2,174 60. Distributed among the claimants.

Ques. 29. What has been contributed for missions?

\$4,227 63.

Ques. 30. Where shall the next session of the Conference be held?

At St. Joseph, Mo.

Ques. 31. Where are the preachers stationed this year?

ST. CHARLES DISTRICT.

W. W. Jones, P. E.

St. Charles, J. W. Cunningham.
Cottleville, J. S. Allen.
Wentzville, S. L. Woody, C. J. Polston.
Wright City Circuit, H. Kay.
Jonesburg, J. H. Ledbetter.
Truxton Mission, to be supplied (by J. S. Dryden).
Ashley, to be supplied (by F. A. Savage).
Louisiana, J. D. Vincil.
Clarksville, P. D. Vandeventer.
Auburn, J. M. O'Bryen, J. Sutton, Sup.
Alexandria, A. Spencer.
Nineveh Mission, to be supplied (by I. A. M. Thompson).

MEXICO DISTRICT.

J. P. Nolan, P. E.

Mexico, T. J. Gooch.
Mexico Mission, J. O. Edmondston.
Fulton, H. H. Kavanagh, jr.
Fulton Circuit, G. W. Penn, S. D. Barnet.
Cedar City, O. W. Linn.
Williamsburg, H. H. Craig.
New Florence, R. G. Loving.
Montgomery City Circuit, T. Penn.
Vandalia Mission, to be supplied.
Santa Fe, C. W. Collett.
Madison, W. M. Sutton.

FAYETTE DISTRICT.

W. M. Newland, P. E.

Fayette, W. Penn, G. W. Rich, Sup.
Fayette Circuit, D. H. Root, M. M. Hawkins.
Glasgow, J. H. Pritchett.
Salisbury, R. White.
Moberly, H. D. Groves.
Sturgeon, J. F. Shores.
Centralia, J. S. Rooker.
Ashland, L. A. Smith.
Columbia, W. H. Lewis.
Rocheport, W. T. Ellington.
Central College, W. G. Miller, F. X. Forster, Professors; W. M. Rush, Agent.

MACON DISTRICT.

B. H. Spencer, P. E.

Macon City, G. W. Horn.
Bloomington, W. F. Bell.
Kirksville, C. A. Shearman.
Lancaster Mission, W. Sartor.
Memphis, E. Carlyle, J. D. Shook.
Edina, T. De Moss.
Sue City Mission, J. L. Taylor.
Clarence, W. Toole, L. Baldwin, Sup.
Shelbina, L. Rush.
Paris, W. J. Jackson.
Huntsville, A. P. Linn.
Cairo, to be supplied.

CHILLICOTHE DISTRICT.

S. W. Cope, P. E.

Chillicothe, W. A. Tarwater.
Chillicothe Circuit, M. G. Gregory.
Breckenridge, R. H. Cooper.
Mandeville, J. L. Meffert.
Norbonne, R. A. Austin.
Pleasant Park Mission, to be supplied (by H. T. Leeper).
Carrollton, J. A. Mumpower.
Brunswick, to be supplied.
Keytesville, B. F. Johnson.
Bucklin, A. J. Worley.
Linneus, C. Grimes.
Meadville Mission, to be supplied.

PLATTSBURG DISTRICT.

W. E. Dockery, P. E.

Plattsburg, J. C. C. Davis.
Osborn, D. F. Bone.
Weston and Platte City, J. Y. Blakey.
Parkville, W. C. Campbell.
Liberty, J. Devlin.
Camden, to be supplied.
Richmond, R. N. T. Holliday, C. Doggett, Sup.
Millville, G. Tanquary.
Maysville, W. M. Goode.
Polo, to be supplied.
Gosneyville, J. G. Gibbins.
Haynesville, J. Bird.

ST. JOSEPH DISTRICT.

C. I. Vandeventer, P. E.

St. Joseph:
Francis Street, E. R. Hendrix, M. B. Chapman, Sup.
Tenth Street and City Mission, A. V. Bayley.
St. Joseph Circuit, W. Barnet.
Forest City, A. P. Parker.
Rockport Mission, T. R. Hedgpepeth.
Hamburg, J. W. Huffaker.
Maryville, L. F. Linn.
Graham, P. P. Doak.
Savannah, to be supplied (by J. A. Poage).
Flag Spring, J. F. Monroe.
Rushville Mission, to be supplied.
New Market, C. Babcock.

GALLATIN DISTRICT.

S. W. Atterberry, P. E.

Gallatin, H. P. Bond.
 Gallatin Circuit, C. C. Cleavland.
 Trenton Mission, A. M. Kiergan.
 Jamesport, J. A. Hyder, J. C. Carney.
 Pattonsburg, J. W. Perry.
 Albany, H. A. Davis.
 Grant City Mission, A. L. Gribble.
 Bethany, R. H. G. Keeran.
 Lineville, W. M. Wainright.
 Milan, H. W. Berry.
 Unionville Mission, A. S. Doak.

HANNIBAL DISTRICT.

W. W. McMurry, P. E.

Hannibal:

{ Hannibal Station, H. A. Bourland.
 { Arch Street, J. R. A. Vaughan.

Hydesburg, D. R. Shackelford.
 Palmyra, J. B. Jewell.
 Monroe City, J. R. Taylor.
 Florida, W. Warren.
 Shelbyville, J. S. Todd, T. Dines, Sup.
 Shelby Circuit, W. M. Wood, J. W. Ellis, Sup.
 New Ark, T. R. Kendall.
 Canton, J. S. Smith.
 La Grange, J. J. Poage, G. W. Primrose, Sup.
 Monticello, J. Penn.
 Williamstown, H. W. James.
 Kahoka Mission, D. T. Shearman.
 Shelby High-school, J. S. Todd, Principal.

E. M. Mann transferred to Western Conference, and stationed at Denver City.

J. W. Adkisson transferred to Mississippi Conference.

S. Alexander transferred to Holston Conference.

22.—WESTERN CONFERENCE.

HELD AT ATCHISON, KANSAS, *September 3-7, 1873.*BISHOP WIGHTMAN, *President*; G. J. WARREN *Secretary*.

QUESTION 1. Who are admitted on trial?

ANSWER. Charles W. Thorp, William E. Broadhurst, George B. Armstrong. 3.

Ques. 2. Who remain on trial?

S. W. Debusk, William Crothers, C. C. Armstrong. 3.

Ques. 3. Who are discontinued?

A. L. Brewer. 1.

Ques. 4. Who are admitted into full connection?

C. W. Sanford, J. W. Faubion, R. K. Higgins, D. L. Rader, T. R. Pierce. 5.

Ques. 5. Who are readmitted?

W. M. Smith, from M. E. Church. 1.

Ques. 6. Who are received by transfer from other Conferences?

E. M. Mann, J. G. Worley, S. D. Evans, U. S. Bird, T. L. Duke, J. R. McClure. 6.

Ques. 7. Who are the deacons of one year?

N. G. Faubion, D. L. Rader, C. W. Sanford, E. J. Stanley. 4.

Ques. 8. What traveling preachers are elected deacons?

J. W. Faubion, R. K. Higgins, T. R. Pierce. 3.

Ques. 9. What traveling preachers are ordained deacons?

J. W. Faubion, R. K. Higgins, T. R. Pierce. 3.

Ques. 10. What local preachers are elected deacons?

None.

Ques. 11. What local preachers are ordained deacons?

None.

Ques. 12. What traveling preachers are elected elders?

T. C. Downs. 1.

Ques. 13. What traveling preachers are ordained elders?

T. C. Downs. 1.

Ques. 14. What local preachers are elected elders?

None.

Ques. 15. What local preachers are ordained elders?

None.

Ques. 16. Who are located this year?

W. E. Woodard, W. M. Bewley, W. B. Maxey, W. C. Campbell. 4.

Ques. 17. Who are supernumerary?

D. C. Wells. 1.

Ques. 18. Who are superannuated?

None.

Ques. 19. What preachers have died during the past year?

None.

Ques. 20. Are all the preachers blameless in their life and official administration?

Their names were called over, one by one, and their characters examined and passed, except Joab Spencer, whose case was referred to the Presiding Elder for investigation.

Ques. 21. What is the number of local preachers and members in the several circuits, stations, and missions of the Conference?

Shawnee District.

	White Mem's.	Col'd Mem's.	Loc'l Pr's.
Shawnee Circuit.....	243	.....	.....
Black Bob Circuit.....	21	.....	.....
Paola Circuit.....	155	.....	2
Mound City Circuit.....	.....	.....	.....
Fort Scott Station.....	5	.....	.....
Fort Scott Circuit.....	53	.....	1
Baxter Springs Circuit.....	98	.....	.....
Chetopa Circuit.....	83	.....	4
Ottawa Circuit.....	.....	.....	.....
Lightning Creek Circuit.....	.....	.....	.....
Xenia Circuit.....	9	.....	.....
Wakarusa Circuit.....	.....	.....	.....
Tecumseh Circuit.....	.....	.....	.....
Osage Circuit.....	.....	.....	.....
	667	.....	7

Leavenworth District.

	White Mem's.	Col'd Mem's.	Loc'l Pr's.
Leavenworth Station.....	60	.....	.....
Leavenworth Circuit.....	120	.....	1
Atchison Station.....	54	.....	.....
Atchison Circuit.....	176	.....	2
Troy Circuit.....	118	.....	2
Holton Circuit.....	193	.....	2
Oskaloosa Circuit.....	200	.....	.....
Wyandotte Station.....	.....	.....	.....
Wyandotte Circuit.....	216	.....	2
Nebraska City Station.....	96	.....	1
Rock Bluff Circuit.....	91	.....	.....
Beatrice Circuit.....	58	.....	.....
Rulo Circuit.....	31	.....	2
	1413	.....	12

Council Grove District.

	White Mem's.	Col'd Mem's.	Loc'l Pr's.
Council Grove Station.....	160	.....	1
Council Grove Mission.....	44	.....	.....
Marion Center Circuit.....	28	.....	.....
Augusta Circuit.....	73	.....	2
Neodesha Circuit.....	22	.....	.....
Fall River Circuit.....	.....	.....	.....
Emporia Circuit.....	.....	.....	.....
Independence Circuit.....	38	.....	2
Waterville Circuit.....	79	.....	1
Republican Circuit.....	.....	.....	.....
Winfield Circuit.....	.....	.....	.....
Wichita Circuit.....	.....	.....	.....
	444	.....	6

Colorado District.

	White Mem's.	Col'd Mem's.	Loc'l Pr's.
Denver City Station.....	72	.....	.....
Denver City Circuit.....	.....	.....	.....
Platt River Circuit.....	68	.....	1
Green City Circuit.....	.....	.....	.....
Pueblo Circuit.....	35	.....	1
St. Charles Circuit.....	45	.....	.....
Riverside Circuit.....	19	.....	.....
Trinidad Circuit.....	19	.....	2
Plum Creek Circuit.....	.....	.....	.....
Rocky Mountain Circuit.....	.....	.....	.....
	258	.....	4

Helena District.

	White Mem's.	Col'd Mem's.	Loc'l Pr's.
Helena Station.....	34	.....	1
Helena Mission.....	38	.....	.....
Diamond City Circuit.....	10	.....	.....
Radersburg Circuit.....	7	.....	.....
Gallatin Circuit.....	40	.....	.....
Hamilton Circuit.....	27	.....	.....
Bozeman City Circuit.....	20	.....	.....
	176	.....	1

Deer Lodge District.

	White Mem's.	Col'd Mem's.	Loc'l Pr's.
Deer Lodge Station.....	8	.....	.....
Missoula and Corvallis Circuit.....	15	.....	.....
Pioneer Circuit.....	.....	.....	.....
Silver Star Circuit.....	4	.....	.....
Silver Bow Circuit.....	.....	.....	.....
Virginia City Circuit.....	8	.....	.....
Bannock Circuit.....	.....	.....	.....
Salmond Circuit.....	.....	.....	.....
	35	.....	.....

Recapitulation.

	White Mem's.	Col'd Mem's.	Loc'l Pr's.
Shawnee District.....	667	.....	7
Leavenworth ".....	1413	.....	12
Council Grove ".....	444	.....	6
Colorado ".....	258	.....	4
Helena ".....	176	.....	1
Deer Lodge ".....	35	.....	.....
Total this year.....	2993	.....	30
Total last year.....	2747	.....	22
Increase.....	246	.....	8

Ques. 22. How many infants have been baptized during the year?
129.

Ques. 23. How many adults have been baptized during the year?
252.

Ques. 24. What is the number of Sunday-schools?
44.

Ques. 25. What is the number of Sunday-school teachers?
267.

Ques. 26. What is the number of Sunday-school scholars?
1863.

Ques. 27. What amount is necessary for the superannuated preachers, and the widows and orphans of preachers?
\$300.

Ques. 28. What has been collected on the foregoing account, and how has it been applied?
Collected, \$127. Applied to the support of Mrs. Hilton.

Ques. 29. What has been contributed for missions?
\$473 08

Ques. 30. Where shall the next session of the Conference be held?
At Wyandotte, Kansas.

Ques. 31. Where are the preachers stationed this year?

LEAVENWORTH DISTRICT.

D. C. O'Howell, P. E.

Leavenworth City, to be supplied.
Leavenworth Circuit, T. C. Downs.
Atchison, J. King.
Atchison Circuit, J. W. Faubion.
Troy, C. Thorp.
Holton, W. A. Hanna.
Oskaloosa, C. C. Armstrong.
Nebraska City, G. J. Warren.

Harmony, to be supplied (by T. L. Austin).
 Rock Bluff, to be supplied (by R. B. Wilson).
 Beatrice, A. Williams.
 Rulo, J. McEwen.

FORT SCOTT DISTRICT.

J. C. Hyden, P. E.

Shawneetown Circuit, W. L. Blackwell.
 Tecumseh and Wakarusa, W. E. Broadhurst.
 Paola, N. J. Faubion.
 Fort Scott, A. Hawkins.
 Fort Scott Circuit, R. K. Higgins.
 Baxter's Springs, J. E. Treadwell.
 Oswego and Chetopa, to be supplied.
 Wyandotte, E. G. Frazier.
 Wyandotte Circuit, C. Bowles.

COUNCIL GROVE DISTRICT.

H. D. Hogan, P. E.

Council Grove, D. L. Rader.
 Council Grove Mission, to be supplied.
 Emporia, J. Gaston.
 Fall River, to be supplied.
 Independence, to be supplied (by S. Allen).
 Walnut Valley, to be supplied (by O. P. Noble).
 Rock Creek, L. C. Waters.
 Waterville, to be supplied.

DENVER DISTRICT.

T. L. Duke, P. E.

Denver, E. M. Mann.
 Denver Circuit, A. A. Morrison.
 Divide, J. R. McClure.
 Colorado Springs, W. P. Caples.
 Rocky Mountain, W. Croppers.
 Golden City and Platt River, J. G. Worley.
 Cache La Poudre, to be supplied.
 Sterling, to be supplied (by D. C. Wells, Sup).

PUEBLO DISTRICT.

W. M. Smith, P. E.

Pueblo and St. Charles, T. R. Pierce.
 Canyon City, to be supplied (by D. Chenault).
 Huerfano, to be supplied (by A. H. Quillian).
 Trinidad, S. W. Debusk.
 Trinidad Circuit, S. D. Evans.
 Los Animas, to be supplied.
 Riverside, to be supplied (by J. G. Overton).

HELENA DISTRICT.

L. B. Stateler, P. E.

Helena Station, to be supplied.
 Helena Circuit, R. S. Clark.
 Diamond City and Radersburg, E. J. Stanley.
 Gallatin City and Hamilton, J. T. Curtis.
 Bozeman City, H. W. Currin.
 Cherry Creek and Madison Valley, to be supplied.

DEER LODGE CITY DISTRICT.

S. J. Catlin, P. E.

Deer Lodge City Circuit, T. W. Flowers.
 Missouli and Corvalis, C. W. Sanford.
 Mound Spring, S. J. Catlin.
 Silver Star and Bannock, to be supplied.
 Virginia City, G. B. Armstrong.
 Salmond City, to be supplied.

W. R. Warren transferred to Tennessee Conference.

U. S. Bird transferred to South Carolina Conference.

D. S. Hearon transferred to North Mississippi Conference.

W. P. Wilson transferred to North-west Texas Conference.

H. E. Partridge transferred to Florida Conference.

A. V. Bayley transferred to Missouri Conference.

23.—INDIAN MISSION CONFERENCE.

HELD AT TAHLEQUAH, C. N., October 23-27, 1873.

BISHOP PIERCE, *President*; E. R. SHAPARD, *Secretary*.

QUESTION 1. Who are admitted on trial?

ANSWER. Nathaniel E. Parsons. 1.

Ques. 2. Who remain on trial?

W. S. Derrick. 1.

Ques. 3. Who are discontinued?

Jacob S. Miller, Abe S. Smith, Gibson Battiste. 3.

Ques. 4. Who are admitted into full connection?

None.

Ques. 5. Who are readmitted?

None.

Ques. 6. Who are received by transfer from other Conferences?

George R. Bryce, W. B. Lyda. 2.

Ques. 7. Who are the deacons of one year?

George R. Bryce, John Sevier. 2.

Ques. 8. What traveling preachers are elected deacons?

W. S. Derrick. 1.

Ques. 9. What traveling preachers are ordained deacons?

W. S. Derrick.

Ques. 10. What local preachers are elected deacons?

Joseph F. Thompson, Thomas Yotah, Samson Colbert, Nathaniel E. Parsons, Coleman E. Nelson, James Jerry, William M. Keith. 7.

Ques. 11. What local preachers are ordained deacons?

Nathaniel E. Parsons, Coleman E. Nelson, James Jerry, Thomas Yotah. 4.

Ques. 12. What traveling preachers are elected elders?

None.

Ques. 13. What traveling preachers are ordained elders?

None.

Ques. 14. What local preachers are elected elders?

None.

Ques. 15. What local preachers are ordained elders?

None.

Ques. 16. Who are located this year?

David T. Holmes. 1.

Ques. 17. Who are supernumerary?

Simon P. Willis. 1.

Ques. 18. Who are superannuated?

Thomas B. Ruble, D. B. Cummings, J. C. Robinson. 3.

Ques. 19. What preachers have died during the past year?

Elijah Butler. 1.

ELIJAH BUTLER was a native Cherokee. He spoke only the Cherokee, in which he was about as well educated as the present state of that language will admit. Early converted, and being of steady nature, under the grace of God he became a firm Christian and useful man. His name appears on the records of the Conference as far back as 1855. From that date to the time of his death he was successfully engaged in the grand enterprise of "spreading scriptural holiness through these lands." He has doubtless been the means of much good to the Cherokee people. As a minister of the gospel, he was esteemed by all; as a citizen, he enjoyed their confidence, having previously held various offices in the Nation, and being District Judge at the time of his death.

Ques. 20. Are all the preachers blameless in their life and official administration?

Their names were called over, one by one, and their characters examined and passed.

Ques. 21. What is the number of local preachers and members in the several circuits, stations, and missions of the Conference?

Cherokee District.

	White Mem's.	Indian Mem's.	Col'd Mem's.	Loc'l Pr's.
Fort Gibson.....	4	30	4	.....
Tahlequah.....	16	134	26	.....
Spring Creek.....	1	227	16	5
Grand River.....	11	156	.....	6
Barren Fork.....	.....	218	.....	2
Flint.....	2	107	.....	1
Salesaw.....	3	254	11	3
	37	1126	57	17

Creek District.

Ocmulgee.....	.....	238	.....	8
North Fork.....	.....	352	13	6
Creek Agency.....	2	594	.....	6
Little River.....	.....	169	.....	4
Canadian.....	.....	112	.....	.....
Cain Creek Colored Charge.....	.....	.....	160	.....
Asbury M. L. School.....	3	45	.....	.....
	5	1510	113	24

Chickasaw District.

Boggy Circuit.....	1	395	39	5
Jack's Fork.....	14	162	12	2
Kiamichi.....	6	352	8	4
Doaksville.....	10	419	2	6
Tishamingo.....	47	122	2	2
Chickasaw.....	57	184	1	5
Boggy Colored Charge.....	.....	.....	89	.....
Blue Colored Charge.....	.....	.....	35	.....
Doaksville Colored Charge.....	.....	.....	118	1
	135	1634	306	25

Choctaw District.

Skullyville.....	39	123	.....	2
Perryville.....	5	19	1	.....
San Bois.....	.....	42	.....	2
Long Creek.....	.....	47	.....	3
Mashulatubbee.....	.....	112	.....	.....
	44	343	1	7

Recapitulation.

Cherokee District.....	37	1126	57	17
Creek ".....	5	1510	113	24
Chickasaw ".....	135	1634	306	25
Choctaw ".....	44	343	1	7
Total this year.....	221	4613	477	73
Total last year.....	172	4590	454	82
Increase.....	49	23	23	.....
Decrease.....	.....	.....	.....	9

Ques. 22. How many infants have been baptized during the year?

324.

Ques. 23. How many adults have been baptized during the year?

286.

Ques. 24. What is the number of Sunday-schools?

25.

Ques. 25. What is the number of Sunday-school teachers?

101.

Ques. 26. What is the number of Sunday-school scholars?

585.

Ques. 27. What amount is necessary for the superannuated preachers, and the widows and orphans of preachers?

No answer.

Ques. 28. What has been collected on the foregoing account, and how has it been applied?
No answer.

Ques. 29. What has been contributed for missions?
\$965 45.

Ques. 30. Where shall the next session of the Conference be held?
At North Fork, Creek Nation.

Ques. 31. Where are the preachers stationed this year?

CHEROKEE DISTRICT.

John Harrell, P. E.

Fort Gibson and Tahlequah, W. B. Lyda.
Green Leaf, T. K. B. McSpadden.
Spring Creek, to be supplied (by R. Cammon).
Grand River, to be supplied (by J. F. Thompson, S. Smith).
Delaware, to be supplied (by J. Ketchum).
Barren Fork, Isaac Sanders.
Flint, to be supplied (by Ira Williams).
Salesaw, W. S. Derrick.
Cherokee Orphan Asylum, W. A. Duncan.

CHOCTAW DISTRICT.

W. G. Davis, P. E.

Skullyville, E. R. Shapard.
Mashulatubbee, to be supplied (by G. Perry).
San Bois, to be supplied (by Luke Daniels).
Perryville, to be supplied.
Long Creek, to be supplied (by John B. Luce).

New Hope Seminary, E. R. Shapard, Superintendent.
Interpreter for the District, W. Folsom.

CHICKASAW DISTRICT.

J. H. Walker, P. E.

Tishamingo, S. P. Hicks.
Boggy, to be supplied (by James Jerry).
Kiamichi, to be supplied (by C. E. Nelson).
Doaksville, to be supplied (by W. M. Keith), S. P. Willis, Sup.
Little River, to be supplied.
Jack's Fork, to be supplied (by Moses Perry).
Chickasaw, N. E. Parsons.
Wachita, to be supplied.
Boggy Depot Colored Charge, to be supplied (by I. Kemp).
Blue Colored Charge, to be supplied (by H. Kemp).
Doaksville Colored Charge, to be supplied (by N. Madison).

CREEK DISTRICT.

To be supplied.

Ocmulgee and North Fork, to be supplied.
Creek Agency, J. McHenry.
Canadian, John Sevier.
Little River, to be supplied.
Cane-Creek Colored Charge, to be supplied (by Peter Steidam).
Asbury Manual Labor School, Y. Ewing.
J. Y. Bryce transferred to Trinity Conference.
G. R. Bryce transferred to North-west Texas Conference.

24. — ARKANSAS CONFERENCE.

HELD AT DARDANELLE, ARK., *November 5-10, 1873.*

BISHOP PIERCE, *President*; I. L. BURROW, *Secretary.*

QUESTION 1. Who are admitted on trial?

ANSWER. Richard S. Cole, Joseph P. Callaway, James T. Leard, John W. Powell, Benj. H. Greathouse, Ambrose H. Williams, Rufus F. Beasley, James E. Martin. 8.

Ques. 2. Who remain on trial?

J. B. Hickman, T. M. C. Birmingham, J. R. N. Bell. 3.

Ques. 3. Who are discontinued?

None.

Ques. 4. Who are admitted into full connection?

J. C. Daily, E. M. Collum, T. J. Reynolds, J. L. Hays. 4.

Ques. 5. Who are readmitted?

N. E. Fair. 1.

Ques. 6. Who are received by transfer from other Conferences?

O. P. Thomas, R. G. Porter, C. O. Steele, A. K. Miller, J. Loving. 5.

Ques. 7. Who are the deacons of one year?

G. F. Fair, W. J. Dodson, W. H. Corley, G. W. Evans. 4.

Ques. 8. What traveling preachers are elected deacons?

E. M. Collum, T. J. Reynolds, J. L. Hays, T. M. C. Birmingham. 4.

Ques. 9. What traveling preachers are ordained deacons?

E. M. Collum, T. J. Reynolds, J. L. Hays, T. M. C. Birmingham. 4.

Ques. 10. What local preachers are elected deacons?

E. C. Sullivan, J. McCarty, J. Culpepper, W. F. Jacobs, T. B. Davis, J. L. Scott, R. S. Cole, H. H. Peninger, P. P. Burke, A. G. Kendall, John Mallett. 11.

Ques. 11. What local preachers are ordained deacons?

R. S. Cole, H. H. Peninger, A. G. Kendall, John Owens, J. R. Elrod, J. McCarty, W. F. Jacobs, J. L. Scott, J. E. McCall, J. Crews, H. P. Shaw. 11.

Ques. 12. What traveling preachers are elected elders?

J. A. Walden, Jerome Haralson. 2.

Ques. 13. What traveling preachers are ordained elders?

J. A. Walden, Jerome Haralson. 2.

Ques. 14. What local preachers are elected elders?

James M. Hoyl, William A. Dees. 2.

Ques. 15. What local preachers are ordained elders?

None.

Ques. 16. Who are located this year?

G. H. Warren, H. M. Youngblood, Van Buren Tate, T. Wainwright, F. A. Taff, J. C. Daily, W. E. Whittenburg, F. M. Moore, T. J. Reynolds. 9.

Ques. 17. Who are supernumerary?

E. C. Jones, H. R. Withers. 2.

Ques. 18. Who are superannuated?

J. M. Bewley. 1.

Ques. 19. What preachers have died during the past year?

S. P. Farish. 1.
No memoir.

Ques. 20. Are all the preachers blameless in their life and official administration?

Their names were called over, one by one, and their characters examined and passed, except J. T. Rice, who was expelled.

Ques. 21. What is the number of local preachers and members in the several circuits, stations, and missions of the Conference?

Fayetteville District.

	White Mem's.	Col'd Mem's.	Loc'l Pr's.
Fayetteville Circuit.....	325	.....	7
Bentonville Circuit.....	342	.....	4
Viney Grove and Boonboro Station...	217	.....	4
Center Point Circuit.....	322	.....	3
Bloomfield Circuit.....	189	.....	5
Illinois Circuit.....	120	.....	.....
Evansville Circuit.....	253	5	3
Sulphur Springs Circuit.....	237	.....	.....
White River Circuit.....	106	.....	.....
Hindsville Circuit.....	250	.....	4
	2391	5	30

Fort Smith District.

	White Mem's.	Col'd Mem's.	Loc'l Pr's.
Fort Smith Station.....	65	.....	1
Fort Smith Circuit.....	137	.....	3
Greenwood Circuit.....	260	.....	8
Charleston Circuit.....	200	.....	3
Waldron Circuit.....	450	.....	6
Boonville Circuit.....	265	.....	3
Bluffton Circuit.....	325	.....	7
Cane and Shoal Creek Circuit.....	310	.....	6
Sugar-loaf Circuit.....	113	.....	3
	2125	.....	40

Van Buren District.

	White Mem's.	Col'd Mem's.	Loc'l Pr's.
Van Buren Station.....	82	.....	1
Van Buren Circuit.....	116	.....	2
Pleasant Hill Circuit.....	176	.....	3
Boston Mountain Mission.....	17	.....	.....
Ozark Station.....	51	.....	2
Ozark Circuit.....	258	1	.....
Spadra Circuit.....	250	2	6
Clarksville Station.....	100	.....	2
Clarksville Circuit.....	254	.....	1
Piney Mission.....	90	.....	.....
	1394	3	17

Yellville District.

	White Mem's.	Col'd Mem's.	Loc'l Pr's.
Yellville and Belfont Station.....	194	1	5
Yellville Circuit.....	330	.....	1
Belfont Circuit.....	273	3	4
Carrollton Circuit.....	410	2	5
Huntsville Circuit.....	193	2	2
Mountain Home Circuit.....	326	.....	3
Flatwoods Circuit.....	345	.....	5
Marshall Circuit.....	342	.....	1
	2413	8	26

Dardanelle District.

	White Mem's.	Col'd Mem's.	Loc'l Pr's.
Dardanelle Station.....	110	.....	1
Dardanelle Circuit.....	298	.....	2
Danville Circuit.....	346	.....	4
Galla Rock Circuit.....	167	.....	1
Dover Circuit.....	240	.....	2
Cadron Circuit.....	533	4	8
Lewisburg Station.....	116	.....	1
Lewisburg Circuit.....	256	.....	9
East Fork Circuit.....	280	.....	2
Clinton Circuit.....	350	2	7
Point Remove Mission.....	100	.....	.....
	2796	6	37

Recapitulation.

Fayetteville District.....	2391	5	30
Fort Smith ".....	2125	.....	40
Van Buren ".....	1394	3	17
Yellville ".....	2413	8	26
Dardanelle ".....	2796	6	37
Total this year.....	11,119	22	150
Total last year.....	10,795	22	131
Increase.....	324	.....	19

Ques. 22. How many infants have been baptized during the year?

315.

Ques. 23. How many adults have been baptized during the year?

706.

Ques. 24. What is the number of Sunday-schools?

90.

Ques. 25. What is the number of Sunday-school teachers?

501.

Ques. 26. What is the number of Sunday-school scholars?
3586.

Ques. 27. What amount is necessary for the superannuated preachers, and the widows and orphans of preachers?
\$650.

Ques. 28. What has been collected on the foregoing account, and how has it been applied?
Collected, \$220. Applied to widows.

Ques. 29. What has been contributed for missions?
\$504.

Ques. 30. Where shall the next session of the Conference be held?
At Fort Smith, Ark.

Ques. 31. Where are the preachers stationed this year?

FAYETTEVILLE DISTRICT.

J. M. Clayton, P. E.

Fayetteville, J. J. Roberts.
Fayetteville Circuit, R. G. Porter.
Bentonville, to be supplied.
Boonsboro, A. K. Miller.
Viney Grove, R. McK. Tydings.
Cincinnati, J. L. Hays.
Bloomfield, to be supplied.
Center Point, T. J. Smith.
Hindsville, J. P. Callaway.
White River, J. E. Martin.
Clifton Mission, to be supplied.

FORT SMITH DISTRICT.

H. N. Grenade, P. E.

Fort Smith, S. H. Babcock.
Fort Smith Circuit, T. M. C. Birmingham.
Greenwood, D. Sturdy.
Sugar-loaf, R. S. Cole.
Charleston, J. W. Powell, one to be supplied (by M. Southert).
Shoal Creek, B. Williams.
Boonville, S. S. Key.

Waldron, J. W. Shook.
Bluffton, J. Griffin, J. T. Leard.
Danville, R. F. Beasley.

CLARKSVILLE DISTRICT.

C. H. Gregory, P. E.

Clarksville, J. L. Burrow, H. R. Withers, Sup.
Clarksville Circuit, J. W. Kaigler.
Spadra, G. W. Evans.
Ozark, H. Puckett.
Ozark Circuit, J. B. Hickman.
Alma, E. M. Collum.
Van Buren, W. T. Bolling.
Van Buren Circuit and Boston Mission, B. H. Greathouse, one to be supplied.
Piney, A. H. Willams.

YELLVILLE DISTRICT.

J. F. Hall, P. E.

Yellville, J. Haralson.
Yellville Circuit, to be supplied.
Harrison, N. E. Fair.
Mountain Home, J. H. Wade.
Flatwoods, to be supplied (by W. H. H. Ozler).
Marshall, J. L. Hicks, E. C. Jones, Sup.
Belfont, W. H. Corley.
Double Springs, J. A. Walden.
Carrollton, R. C. Atchley.
Huntsville, G. F. Fair.

DARDANELLE DISTRICT.

F. M. Paine, P. E.

Dardanelle, O. P. Thomas.
Dardanelle Circuit, J. Loving.
Galla Rock, W. J. Dodson.
Dover, A. C. Ray.
{ Clinton, J. R. N. Bell.
{ Point Remove Mission, to be supplied.
Cadron, to be supplied (by W. I. Stone).
East Fork, T. A. Graham.
Lewisburg, T. F. Brewer.
Lewisburg Circuit, C. O. Steele.
Springfield, W. R. Knowlton.
Quitman College, P. A. Moses.

C. H. Ford transferred to White River Conference.

J. Grant transferred to Trinity Conference.

25.—WHITE RIVER CONFERENCE.

HELD AT FOREST CITY, ARK., *November 12-16, 1873.*BISHOP PIERCE, *President*; JOHN H. DYE, *Secretary*.

- QUESTION 1. Who are admitted on trial?
ANSWER. Joseph W. Ross, David D. McCutchen, John D. Brewster, Pleasant C. Oliver, William C. Malone, Thomas P. Hare, Milton B. Umstead, William B. Foster. 8.
- Ques. 2. Who remain on trial?
James B. McKamy, Moses C. Clark, David J. Hare, Albert H. Woodward, J. C. Carter, Francis M. Petty. 6.
- Ques. 3. Who are discontinued?
John A. Cooper, Fletcher A. Ellis. 2.
- Ques. 4. Who are admitted into full connection?
James M. Talkington, Thomas A. Craig, Jefferson J. Alexander. 3.
- Ques. 5. Who are readmitted?
None.
- Ques. 6. Who are received by transfer from other Conferences?
Thomas J. Brickell, from the Congregational Methodist Church; C. H. Ford. 2.
- Ques. 7. Who are the deacons of one year?
Thomas Vincent, Stephen D. Evans, Thomas J. Settles. 3.
- Ques. 8. What traveling preachers are elected deacons?
Jefferson J. Alexander. 1.
- Ques. 9. What traveling preachers are ordained deacons?
Jefferson J. Alexander. 1.
- Ques. 10. What local preachers are elected deacons?
John D. Brewster, Samuel C. Cochran, John Anderson, Winfield S. Southworth, Thomas J. Franks, David D. McCutchen, Milton B. Umstead, Alonzo C. Griffin. 8.
- Ques. 11. What local preachers are ordained deacons?
John D. Brewster, Samuel C. Cochran, John Anderson, Winfield S. Southworth, Thomas J. Franks, David D. McCutchen, Milton B. Umstead, Alonzo C. Griffin, W. Hall. 9.
- Ques. 12. What traveling preachers are elected elders?
Edwin A. Garrison, Reuben W. Massey. 2.
- Ques. 13. What traveling preachers are ordained elders?
Reuben W. Massey, Edwin A. Garrison. 2.
- Ques. 14. What local preachers are elected elders?
Daniel H. Severs, Willis Hall. 2.
- Ques. 15. What local preachers are ordained elders?
Daniel H. Severs, Willis Hall. 2.
- Ques. 16. Who are located this year?
None.
- Ques. 17. Who are supernumerary?
Ed. T. Jones, M. B. Pearson. 2.
- Ques. 18. Who are superannuated?
John Rhyne. 1.
- Ques. 19. What preachers have died during the past year?
William A. M. Cobb. 1.

WILLIAM ALEXANDER MCKENDREE COBB was the son of the Rev. Jesse B. Cobb, formerly of La Grange, Tenn. Brother Cobb was born Sept. 2, 1817, in Granville county, N. C., where he lived with his parents to about his sixteenth year; his father then removed to La Grange, Tenn., where he settled, and lived until his death, some years past. Brother Cobb was baptized in infancy by Bishop McKendree, and became religious at an early age; after which he was very studious, and acquired knowledge rapidly. His early advantages were not very good. From the best information, he was licensed to preach about the autumn of 1838. In 1839 he traveled a circuit in the Tennessee Conference—perhaps near La Grange. In the autumn of 1839 he was transferred to the Arkansas Conference, and appointed to Fayetteville Circuit, where he made rapid proficiency in his studies, commencing a Greek and Latin course. In the autumn of 1840 he was ordained deacon, at Little Rock, by Bishop Waugh. He pursued his studies very closely, in both the literary and theological courses, and greatly advanced therein. In 1842 he was ordained elder, at Helena, by Bishop Andrew. In 1843 he traveled the Huntsville Circuit, and on May 16 was married to Miss Susan M. Brodie, of Washington county, Ark., a very reputable and worthy lady, who proved to be a helpmeet indeed; a lady every way worthy of a Methodist preacher—the life of the family circle, the governor of the household. Brother Cobb continued to labor in the Arkansas Conference with success up to the autumn of 1849, when he was trans-

ferred to the Indian Mission Conference, and stationed in the Creek Nation as preacher and teacher. He served the Cherokees as missionary in 1850-3. His health failed, and he retired from the regular work for the years 1854-7. He removed to Florida, but soon left that State, and settled at Trenton in 1858. In Jan., 1861, he undertook the presidency of a female school in Cross county, Ark., where he rendered important services till broken up by the war in 1864. In 1866 he reentered the Conference and took regular work. In 1867-9 he labored very successfully on circuits, and in 1870-1 he served on the Harrisburg District. He was very popular and useful. In 1872 he was attacked with cancer, under the influence of which he suffered for near two years, bearing his affliction with great resignation. His good wife died May 14, 1870. For a time, it seemed, he could not be reconciled to his loss, greatly desiring to die with her; and after his attack he murmured not, as he appeared to think the messenger had come for him. He was prevailed upon by his friends to go to Memphis for treatment, in Oct., 1871, and he remained there fourteen months, subject to the attention of the best physicians of the city. During this period he gratefully enjoyed the hospitalities of Col. D. C. Cross, Dr. Mallory, Mr. Brewster, Mr. Kimble, and various others, who are entitled to our sincere acknowledgments for their kindness. His stay in the city was spent in reading, meditation, and prayer, with such other exercises as tended to ripen his spirit for reünion with his beloved wife and the friends who had preceded him. His whole time was thus employed. About the first of Dec., 1872, Brother Cobb found that he must soon die. He desired to die at home and be buried by his wife, at Mount Zion. In company with his son, L. B. Cobb, he set out for home, and traveled on the train to Forest City, where he spent a day. The Rev. J. J. Prather carried him in his buggy to the house of Brother Seth G. Yarbrough. Here he stopped for the night. He grew worse, and observed to Sister Yarbrough that it seemed he must die at her house—that he could not reach home; and so it proved. He lay there till Jan. 20, 1873, at 8 o'clock A.M., when he breathed his last. He was calm and bright to his latest breath. Sister Yarbrough, who was always ready at his call, was summoned to his bed. He asked if they thought him to be dying; his son Jesse answered him that he was. He asked to be raised up; he looked Sister Yarbrough in the face for a few minutes, and asked to be laid down—and his spirit departed. His mind was clear and composed. His remains were interred by the side of his wife, in Mount Zion Cemetery, Cross county, Ark., Jan. 22, 1873. A more successful preacher we have never lost.

Ques. 20. Are all the preachers blameless in their life and official administration?
 Their names were called over, one by one, and their characters examined and passed.

Ques. 21. What is the number of local preachers and members in the several circuits, stations, and missions of the Conference?

Jacksonport District.

	White Mem's.	Col'd Mem's.	Loc'l Pr's.
Jacksonport Station.....	107	1	1
Jacksonport Circuit.....	174	.....	.....
Pleasant Valley.....	192	.....	1
Richwoods Mission.....	33	.....	.....
Augusta.....	73	.....	1
De View.....	327	1	3
Cotton Plant.....	126	.....	1
Searcy Station.....	221	.....	1
Searcy Circuit.....	725	.....	3
West Point.....	357	.....	3
Prospect Bluff.....	198	1	2
Grand Glaize.....	225	.....	3
Black River Mission.....	231	.....	2
	2989	3	21

Batesville District.

Batesville Station.....	85	.....	.....
Batesville Circuit.....	561	.....	5
Bethesda.....	277	.....	2
Big Creek.....	333	2	4
La Crosse.....	511	.....	10
Bennett's Bayou Mission.....	.....	.....	.....
Evening Shade.....	307	2	4
Smithville.....	300	.....	2
Pocahontas.....	42	.....	.....
Pocahontas Circuit.....	347	.....	6
Salem.....	221	.....	6
Walnut Hill Mission.....	142	.....	3
	3126	4	42

Helena District.

Helena Station.....	70	.....	.....
Helena Circuit.....	130	.....	1
Trenton.....	150	.....	2
Clarendon.....	189	.....	2
Wheatley.....	.....	.....	.....
Marianna.....	91	.....	3
Laconia.....	68	.....	.....
	698	.....	8

Harrisburg District.

Harrisburg Circuit.....	365	.....	4
Wittsburg.....	269	.....	5
Taylor's Creek.....	294	.....	2
Forest City.....	204	.....	1
Jonesboro.....	422	.....	.....
Greensboro.....	432	.....	.....
Maumelle Mission.....	77	.....	1
Gainesville.....	550	.....	6
Bayou De View Mission.....	75	.....	1
	2688	.....	20

Mississippi District.

Osceola.....	300	.....	2
Frenchman's Bayou.....	120	.....	.....
Marion.....	129	.....	2
Walnut Bend.....	180	.....	.....
Hopefield Mission.....	18	.....	.....
Tyrangee Mission.....	46	.....	.....
	793	.....	4

Recapitulation.

	White Mem's	Col'd Mem's.	Loc'l Pr's.
Jacksonport District.....	2989	3	21
Batesville ".....	3126	4	42
Helena ".....	698	.....	8
Harrisburg ".....	2688	.....	20
Mississippi ".....	793	.....	4
Total this year.....	10,294	7	95
Total last year.....	9,413	13	107
Increase.....	881		
Decrease.....		6	12

Ques. 22. How many infants have been baptized during the year?
341.

Ques. 23. How many adults have been baptized during the year?
744.

Ques. 24. What is the number of Sunday-schools?
79.

Ques. 25. What is the number of Sunday-school teachers?
392.

Ques. 26. What is the number of Sunday-school scholars?
2858.

Ques. 27. What amount is necessary for the superannuated preachers, and the widows and orphans of preachers?
\$800.

Ques. 28. What has been collected on the foregoing account, and how has it been applied?
Collected, \$750 50. Disbursed to widows and orphans.

Ques. 29. What has been contributed for missions?
\$1,332.

Ques. 30. Where shall the next session of the Conference be held?
At Searcy, Ark.

Ques. 31. Where are the preachers stationed this year?

JACKSONPORT DISTRICT.

J. W. Boswell, P. E.

- Searcy, J. Mackay, M. B. Pearson, Sup.
- Searcy Circuit, R. G. Brittain.
- El Paso, J. M. Talkington.
- West Point, J. B. McKamy.
- Prospect Bluff, to be supplied (by C. S. Floyd).
- Grand Glaize, T. Vincent.
- Jacksonport, B. Harris.
- Jacksonport Circuit, M. C. Morris.
- Black River, to be supplied.
- Pleasant Valley, D. J. Hare.
- Richwoods Mission, J. D. Brewster.
- Augusta, to be supplied, E. T. Jones, Sup.
- De View, H. T. Gregory.
- Cotton Plant, T. H. Howard.

BATESVILLE DISTRICT.

J. H. Dye, P. E.

- Batesville, E. A. Garrison.
- Batesville Circuit, B. Lee.
- Smithville, J. F. Armstrong.
- Pocahontas and Powhatan, W. M. Watson.
- Pocahontas Circuit, J. J. Alexander.
- Corning, to be supplied.
- Walnut Hill Mission, to be supplied (by W. Hall).
- Evening Shade, J. H. Hall.
- Salem, M. C. Clark.
- Bennett's River Mission, P. C. Oliver.
- La Crosse, B. F. Hall.
- Bethesda, T. J. Brickell.
- Big Creek, to be supplied (by F. Williams).
- Washington High-school, A. R. Bennick.

HELENA DISTRICT.

G. A. Dannelly, P. E.

- Helena, E. Orgain.
- Helena Circuit, R. W. Massey.
- Trenton Mission, to be supplied.
- Marvel, D. D. McCutchen.
- Clarendon, T. A. Craig.
- Wheatley, S. D. Evans.
- Marianna, J. L. Denton.
- Palestine, A. Davis.
- Laconia, J. C. Carter.
- Forest City, W. T. Noe.
- Forest City Circuit, W. C. Malone.

HARRISBURG DISTRICT.

C. H. Ellis, P. E.

- Harrisburg, W. B. Foster.
- Wittsburg, E. M. Baker.
- Taylor's Creek, J. J. Prather.
- Bayou De View, T. P. Hare.
- Jonesboro, A. H. Woodward.
- Maumelle, to be supplied (by A. C. Griffin).
- Greensboro, C. H. Ford.
- Gainesville, to be supplied (by J. A. Walkup).
- Oak Bluff, to be supplied (by J. R. Steele).
- Sunday-school Agent, J. M. Steele.

MISSISSIPPI DISTRICT.

W. R. Foster, P. E.

- Osceola, F. M. Petty.
- Big Lake Mission, to be supplied.
- Frenchman's Bayou, A. Conley.
- Tyrangee Mission, W. R. Young.
- Marion, J. W. Ross.
- Walnut Bend, T. J. Settle.
- Hopefield Mission, M. B. Umstead.
- J. W. Walkup transferred to North-west Texas Conference.
- L. D. Webb transferred to Little Rock Conference.

26.—LITTLE ROCK CONFERENCE.

HELD AT CAMDEN, ARK., November 26-30, 1873.

BISHOP PIERCE, *President*; W. C. HEARN, *Secretary*.

QUESTION 1. Who are admitted on trial?
ANSWER. Weems Wooten, John McLanchlan, W. I. Rogers, James C. Rhodes, John W. Hasskew, Amariah C. Biggs, Wm. C. Dunn. 7.

Ques. 2. Who remain on trial?
Alonzo Monk, William H. Hagan, W. H. H. Biggs, Charles C. Godden, Zachary T. McCann, Samuel N. Burns, Nathaniel S. Burnett. 7.

Ques. 3. Who are discontinued?
R. M. Traylor, F. M. Jones. 2.

Ques. 4. Who are admitted into full connection?

George W. Duncan, Finch M. Winburn, Charles D. McSwain, Calvin A. Bayless, Robert H. Saunders, James R. Sherwood. 6.

Ques. 5. Who are readmitted?
H. H. Watson, C. V. Meador. 2.

Ques. 6. Who are received by transfer from other Conferences?

B. H. Malone, L. D. Webb, C. O. Jones. 3.

Ques. 7. Who are the deacons of one year?
J. M. G. Douglass, F. D. Vanvalkenburg, G. W. Matthews, Bascom Ward, Thomas H. Ware, L. D. Webb, J. A. Clower, H. H. Watson. 8.

Ques. 8. What traveling preachers are elected deacons?

Charles C. Godden, George W. Duncan, Finch M. Winburn, Charles D. McSwain, Calvin A. Bayless, Robert H. Saunders, James R. Sherwood. 7.

Ques. 9. What traveling preachers are ordained deacons?

Charles C. Godden, George W. Duncan, Finch M. Winburn, Charles D. McSwain, Calvin A. Bayless, Robert H. Saunders, James R. Sherwood. 7.

Ques. 10. What local preachers are elected deacons?

Walter W. Weir, Henry B. Swafford, Silas R. Lawhon, Jason W. Patterson, Amariah C. Biggs, W. J. Groves. 6.

Ques. 11. What local preachers are ordained deacons?

Silas R. Lawhon, Amariah C. Biggs, W. A. Wilson, W. J. Groves, J. L. Nabors, Walter W. Weir. 6.

Ques. 12. What traveling preachers are elected elders?

None.

Ques. 13. What traveling preachers are ordained elders?

None.

Ques. 14. What local preachers are elected elders?

Jacob W. Hall, James Stincil, Alfred P. Alexander. 3.

Ques. 15. What local preachers are ordained elders?

None.

Ques. 16. Who are located this year?
C. A. Bayless. 1.

Ques. 17. Who are supernumerary?
J. Turrentine, A. W. Simmons, W. H. Browning, J. A. Clower. 4.

Ques. 18. Who are superannuated?
Alex. Avery, Thomas Hunt, R. F. Colburn, James Sanford, B. C. Weir, C. O. Steele. 6.

Ques. 19. What preachers have died during the past year?

None.

Ques. 20. Are all the preachers blameless in their life and official administration?

Their names were called over, one by one, and their characters examined and passed.

Ques. 21. What is the number of local preachers and members in the several circuits, stations, and missions of the Conference?

Little Rock District.

	White Mem's.	Col'd Mem's.	Loc'l Fr's.
Little Rock:			
Second Street.....	207	.....	2
Spring Street.....	112	.....	1
Bartlett Circuit.....	133	.....	3
Bayou Metre Circuit.....	350	.....	3
Lonoke Circuit.....	157	.....	8
Richwoods Mission.....	65	.....	5
Collegeville Circuit.....	338	.....	5
Perryville Circuit.....	241	.....	3
Mauvelle.....	225	.....	3
Austin Circuit.....	509	.....	5
	2337	.....	38

Pine Bluff District.

Pine Bluff Station.....	174	.....	.....
Plum Bayou Circuit.....	137	.....	2
Swan Lake Circuit.....	195	.....	3
Red Fork Circuit.....	56	.....	.....
Sulphur Springs Circuit.....	270	.....	5
White River Circuit.....	238	.....	2

Pine Bluff District (continued).

	White Mem's.	Col'd Mem's.	Loc'l Pr's.
DeWitt Circuit.....	331	.....	3
Simpson Creek Mission.....	101	.....	1
Lehigh Circuit.....	470	.....	4
Star City Mission.....	90	.....	2
	2062	.....	22

Arkadelphia District.

	White Mem's.	Col'd Mem's.	Loc'l Pr's.
Arkadelphia Station.....	207	.....	2
Clark and Murfreesboro.....	681	.....	8
Caddo and Marhita Mission.....	467	.....	4
Hot Springs Station.....	43	.....	1
Hot Springs Mission.....	149	1	3
Rockport Circuit.....	344	.....	7
Tulip Circuit.....	403	.....	1
Princeton Circuit.....	486	.....	3
Benton Circuit.....	450	.....	3
	3230	1	32

Monticello District.

	White Mem's.	Col'd Mem's.	Loc'l Pr's.
Monticello Station.....	180	.....	.....
Mount Pleasant Circuit.....	263	.....	3
Selma.....	140	.....	1
Green Hill Circuit.....	299	.....	4
Hamburg Circuit.....	375	.....	1
Bartholomew Circuit.....	78	.....	2
Eudora Circuit.....	117	.....	.....
Palestine Circuit.....	232	.....	5
Holly Grove Mission.....	78	.....	2
Warren Circuit.....	448	.....	4
	2210	.....	22

Camden District.

	White Mem's.	Col'd Mem's.	Loc'l Pr's.
Camden Station.....	173	.....	.....
Camden Circuit.....	334	1	1
Ouachita Circuit.....	349	.....	.....
Falcon and Lamartine Circuit.....	135	.....	.....
Magnolia Circuit.....	383	.....	6
El Dorado Circuit.....	291	.....	4
Rosston Circuit.....	.....	.....	.....
Lapeal Circuit.....	245	.....	3
Louisville Circuit.....	211	.....	1
Hampton Circuit.....	300	.....	5
	2421	1	20

Washington District.

	White Mem's.	Col'd Mem's.	Loc'l Pr's.
Washington Station.....	80	.....	.....
Moscow Circuit.....	441	2	4
Mineral Springs Circuit.....	287	.....	5
Center Point Circuit.....	520	.....	4
Locksburg Circuit.....	265	3	5
Richmond Circuit.....	141	.....	2
Rondo Station.....	27	.....	.....
Rondo Circuit.....	177	.....	1
Bright Star Circuit.....	256	.....	.....
Polk Mission.....	373	1	13
	2567	6	34

Recapitulation.

Little Rock District.....	2337	.....	38
Pine Bluff ".....	2062	.....	22
Arkadelphia ".....	3230	1	32
Monticello ".....	2210	.....	22
Camden ".....	2421	1	20
Washington ".....	2567	6	34
Total this year.....	14,827	8	168
Total last year.....	15,034	.....	176
Increase.....	.....	8	8
Decrease.....	207	.....	.....

Ques. 22. How many infants have been baptized during the year?
629.

Ques. 23. How many adults have been baptized during the year?
966.

Ques. 24. What is the number of Sunday-schools?
134.

Ques. 25. What is the number of Sunday-school teachers?
857.

Ques. 26. What is the number of Sunday-school scholars?
5633.

Ques. 27. What amount is necessary for the superannuated preachers, and the widows and orphans of preachers?
\$2,475.

Ques. 28. What has been collected on the foregoing account, and how has it been applied? Collected, \$1,767. Distributed among the claimants.

Ques. 29. What has been contributed for missions?
\$4,178 65.

Ques. 30. Where shall the next session of the Conference be held?
At Monticello, Ark.

Ques. 31. Where are the preachers stationed this year?

LITTLE ROCK DISTRICT.

A. R. Winfield, P. E.

Little Rock:
Second Street, W. C. Hearn.
Spring Street, H. H. Watson.
Capital Hill, R. S. Hunter.
Bartlett, J. A. Anderson.
Bayou Metre, T. H. Ware.
Lonoke, J. P. Holmes.
Richwoods Mission, to be supplied (by B. E. Mitchell).
Austin, L. D. Webb.
Austin Circuit, F. D. Vanvalkenburg.
Collegeville, S. N. Burns.
Perryville, Z. T. McCann.
Maumelle Mission, W. J. Scott.
DeWitt, C. C. Godden.
White River, John McLanchlan.
Hickory Plains Male and Female Academy, B. H. Malone.
Arkansas Female College and Vanberbilt University, A. R. Winfield, Agent.

PINE BLUFF DISTRICT.

H. B. Frazee, P. E.

Pine Bluff, H. Jewell.
Plum Bayou, J. M. Pirtle.
Swan Lake, R. H. Sanders, C. D. McSwain.
Red Fork Mission, N. S. Burnett.
Sulphur Springs, W. J. Davis, A. W. Simmons, Sup.
Simmons Creek Mission, E. L. Gaddy.
Lehigh, F. M. Winburn.
Star City Mission, to be supplied (by J. A. Clower, Sup).

ARKADELPHIA DISTRICT.

A. Hunter, P. E.

Arkadelphia, M. H. Wells.
 Clark, G. Hare.
 Murfreesboro, to be supplied (by G. W. Logan).
 Caddo, A. Monk.
 Ouachita Mission, to be supplied.
 Hot Springs, to be supplied.
 Hot Springs Mission, to be supplied.
 Rockport, W. R. Gardner.
 Tulip, W. H. H. Biggs.
 Princeton, C. V. Meador, one to be supplied.
 Benton, J. M. Cline.
 Princeton Academy, C. O. Jones, Principal.
 Agent American Bible Society, J. E. Caldwell.

MONTICELLO DISTRICT.

J. F. Carr, P. E.

Monticello, J. R. Harvey.
 Mount Pleasant, J. H. Blakely.
 Selma, J. G. Ward.
 Green Hill, G. W. Duncan.
 Hamburg, A. B. Winfield.
 Hamburg Circuit, J. H. Riggins.
 Bartholomew, B. Ward.
 Eudora, W. Wooten.
 Holly Grove Mission, John Pryor.
 Palestine, J. R. Sherwood.
 Warren, H. D. McKinnon.
 New Edinburgh, to be supplied (by J. H. Baird).

CAMDEN DISTRICT.

J. A. Parker, P. E.

Camden, C. Pope.
 Camden Circuit, R. B. Alston.
 Ouachita, E. R. Barcus.
 Lisbon, W. C. Dunn, J. Turrentine, Sup.
 El Dorado, D. H. Linebaugh, J. C. Rodes.
 Magnolia, E. N. Watson, W. H. Browning, Sup.
 Louisville, to be supplied.
 Falcon, to be supplied.
 Hampton, J. M. G. Douglass.

WASHINGTON DISTRICT.

B. G. Johnson, P. E.

Washington, S. G. Colburn.
 Moscow, J. P. Hulse.
 Mineral Springs, G. W. Matthews.
 Center Point, W. J. Rogers.
 Cossitat Mission, H. Townsend.
 Locksburg, A. C. Biggs.
 Richmond, to be supplied.
 Dallas, J. W. Haskew.
 Rondo, W. H. Hagan.
 Bright Star, A. D. Jenkins.
 Mineral Springs Academy, T. W. Hayes.
 J. W. Johnson transferred to Trinity Conference.
 J. Loving transferred to Arkansas Conference.
 C. M. Slover transferred to Indian Mission Conference.

27.—TRINITY CONFERENCE.

HELD AT DALLAS, TEXAS, Oct. 29—Nov. 4, 1873.

BISHOP KAVANAUGH, *President*; WILEY A. SHOOK, *Secretary*.

QUESTION 1. Who are admitted on trial?

ANSWER. William W. Homer, Marcellus W. Shearer, La Fayette P. Smith, John Langston, H. S. P. Ashby, John B. Smith, John Beverly. 7.

Ques. 2. Who remain on trial?

Lewis M. White, Joseph M. Blanton, D. F. Fuller, Elias S. Boyd, J. F. Sherwood, T. J. Milam, Ed. B. Featherston, John F. Denton. 8.

Ques. 3. Who are discontinued?

Hamilton J. Settle, James Wilson, Y. S. McKinney, at their own request. 8.

Ques. 4. Who are admitted into full connection?

Joel Osgood, Daniel J. Martin, James McDugall, Richmond N. Brown, Francis M. Harrell. 5.

Ques. 5. Who are readmitted?

None.

Ques. 6. Who are received by transfer from other Conferences?

William F. Easterling, J. N. Craven, from East Texas Conference; Samuel Armstrong, from Louisiana Conference; W. C. Blair, from Tennessee Conference. 4.

Ques. 7. Who are the deacons of one year?

M. C. Blackburn, D. P. Haggard, Charles E. Lamb, J. C. Weaver, James P. Rogers. 5.

Ques. 8. What traveling preachers are elected deacons?

Joel Osgood, Daniel J. Martin, James McDugall, Richmond N. Brown. 4.

Ques. 9. What traveling preachers are ordained deacons?

Joel Osgood, Daniel J. Martin, James McDugall, Richmond N. Brown. 4.

Ques. 10. What local preachers are elected deacons?

J. W. Clark, William H. Walker, Levi Pickering, Lewis B. Holstenbeck, John W. Keen, James P. Davis, Oliver L. Parker, Calvin Crane. 8.

Ques. 11. What local preachers are ordained deacons?

J. W. Clark, William H. Walker, Levi Pickering, Lewis B. Holstenbeck, John W. Keen, James P. Davis, Oliver L. Parker, Calvin Crane. 8.

Ques. 12. What traveling preachers are elected elders?

T. E. Sherwood, Eugene T. Bates. 2.

Ques. 13. What traveling preachers are ordained elders?

T. E. Sherwood, Eugene T. Bates. 2.

Ques. 14. What local preachers are elected elders?

John H. McCurry, William Allen, Jefferson Hunnicutt, Harrison Eller. 4.

Ques. 15. What local preachers are ordained elders?

John H. McCurry, William Allen, Jefferson Hunnicutt. 3.

Ques. 16. Who are located this year?
William L. Carleton. 1.

Ques. 17. Who are supernumerary?

J. M. Stevenson, J. P. Rogers, J. H. Lowe, J. L. Terry, W. E. Bates, A. H. Brewer. 6.

Ques. 18. Who are superannuated?

Job M. Baker, R. Lane, J. W. P. McKenzie, E. Couch, John P. Stanfield, A. R. Dickson, A. Henkle, J. B. Rabb, A. Cumming, D. M. Proctor. 10.

Ques. 19. What preachers have died during the past year?

None.

Ques. 20. Are all the preachers blameless in their life and official administration?

Their names were called over, one by one, and their characters examined and passed.

Ques. 21. What is the number of local preachers and members in the several circuits, stations, and missions of the Conference?

Jefferson District.

	White Mem's.	Col'd Mem's.	Loc'l Pr's.
Jefferson Station	232	.....	5
Kellyville and Dangerfield.....	462	.....	1
Atlanta.....	285	.....	.....
Linden.....	361	.....	6
Mount Pleasant.....	247	.....	5
Mount Vernon.....	351	.....	1
Pittsburg.....	492	.....	8
Gilmer.....	460	.....	7
Coffeerville.....	450	.....	7
	3340	.....	40

Paris District.

	White Mem's.	Col'd Mem's.	Loc'l Pr's.
Paris Station.....	257	.....	1
Paris Circuit.....	678	.....	6
Honey Grove.....	384	.....	6
Ladonia.....	300	.....	5
Cooper Mission.....	184	.....	3
McAlister Circuit.....	441	.....	4
Robinsville.....	.....	.....	.....
Clarksville.....	315	.....	.....
Boston.....	207	.....	1
	2766	.....	26

Sherman District.

	White Mem's.	Col'd Mem's.	Loc'l Pr's.
Sherman Station.....	171	.....	3
Sherman Circuit.....	400	.....	4
Bonham.....	644	.....	7
Greenville.....	467	.....	3
Pilot Grove.....	.....	.....	.....
Whitesboro.....	539	.....	7
Gainesville.....	336	.....	5
Montague Mission.....	189	.....	1
	2746	.....	28

Dallas District.

	White Mem's.	Col'd Mem's.	Loc'l Pr's.
Dallas Station.....	240	.....	4
Dallas Circuit.....	351	.....	9
Seyene Mission.....	470	.....	6
McKinney.....	455	.....	5
Grapevine.....	400	.....	10
Denton.....	435	.....	5
Pilot Point.....	316	.....	3
Rockwall.....	446	.....	6
Decatur Mission.....	203	.....	3
	3316	.....	51

Sulphur Springs District.

	White Mem's.	Col'd Mem's.	Loc'l Pr's.
Sulphur Springs Station.....	268	.....	4
Sulphur Springs Circuit.....	138	.....	2
Sulphur Bluff.....	256	.....	2
Lone Oak.....	321	.....	10
Cedar Grove.....	184	.....	2
Kaufman.....	563	.....	6
Pleasant Grove.....	384	.....	2
Garden Valley.....	310	.....	4
Prarieville.....	257	.....	5
Emory Mission and Jordan Saline.....	104	.....	1
	2785	.....	38

Recapitulation.

Jefferson District.....	3340	.....	40
Paris.....	2766	.....	26
Sherman.....	2746	.....	28
Dallas.....	3316	.....	51
Sulphur Springs.....	2785	.....	38
Total this year.....	14,953	.....	183
Total last year.....	14,577	.....	166
Increase.....	376	.....	17

Ques. 22. How many infants have been baptized during the year?

504.

Ques. 23. How many adults have been baptized during the year?

914.

Ques. 24. What is the number of Sunday-schools?

110.

Ques. 25. What is the number of Sunday-school teachers?

651.

Ques. 26. What is the number of Sunday-school scholars?
5244.

Ques. 27. What amount is necessary for the superannuated preachers, and the widows and orphans of preachers?
\$2,000.

Ques. 28. What has been collected on the foregoing account, and how has it been applied?

Collected,	\$1,488 75
Applied as follows:	
R. Lane,	100 00
Job M. Baker,	40 00
Sister Hamill,	150 00
Sister Palmer,	50 00
Irvin's child,	25 00
McKenzie,	40 00
H. B. Hamilton's daughter,	25 00
Sister Maupin,	263 75
Boyd's child,	25 00
J. P. Stanfield,	40 00
Sister Boyd,	200 00
A. R. Dickson,	40 00
Scrivner's child,	25 00
Sister Wilson,	165 00
Brother Irvine's children,	75 00
A. Cumming,	75 00
E. Couch,	40 00
A. Henkle,	45 00
J. B. Rabb,	40 00
Boyd's child,	25 00
Aggregate,	\$1,488 75

Ques. 29. What has been contributed for missions?
\$1,118 05.

Ques. 30. Where shall the next session of the Conference be held?
At Denton, Denton county, Texas.

Ques. 31. Where are the preachers stationed this year?

JEFFERSON DISTRICT.

John H. McLean, P. E.

Jefferson Station, William C. Haislip.
Atlanta Circuit, Joel Osgood, Ed. B. Featherston.
Kellyville and Daingerfield, Thomas B. Norwood, James McDugall.
Linden, John J. Davis.
Mount Pleasant, Charles E. Lamb.
Pittsburg, R. P. Thompson, J. M. Stevenson, Sup.
Winsboro, David F. Fuller.
Gilmer, Joseph Parker, W. W. Homer, J. L. Terry, Sup.
Coffeeville, L. F. Palmer.
Agent Fund Commission, S. J. Hawkins.

PARIS DISTRICT.

Thomas M. Smith, P. E.

Paris Station, B. J. Baldwin.
Sylvan, W. H. Moss.
Rockston, John W. Piner.
Honey Grove, Richmond N. Brown, L. P. Smith.
Ladonia, William P. Reed.
Cooper Mission, F. M. Harrell.
Robinsville Circuit, A. C. McDougald.
Clarksville Circuit, D. P. Haggard, John P. Smith.
Boston Circuit, Thomas J. Milam.

SHERMAN DISTRICT.

Lewis B. Ellis, P. E.

Sherman Station, Jacob M. Binkley.
Dennison Mission, James Y. Brice.
Bonham Circuit, James Graham.
Savory Circuit, W. C. Blair.
Pilot Grove Circuit, John F. Denton.
Pilot Point, M. C. Blackburn.
Decatur, S. S. Cobb.
Montague and Clay County Mission, J. C. Weaver, W. H. Shearer.
Gainesville Circuit, William M. Robbins.
Maryville, W. P. Petty.
Whitesboro, J. N. Craven.

DALLAS DISTRICT.

John W. Chalk, P. E.

Dallas:

Dallas Station, William F. Easterling.
City Mission, Samuel C. Armstrong.
Dallas Circuit, R. W. Thompson.
Scyene Mission, G. S. Gatewood, James P. Rogers, Sup.
McKinney Circuit, B. F. Stone.
Bethel Circuit, Henry W. South, W. E. Bates, Sup.
Denton Circuit, Daniel J. Martin.
Grapevine Circuit, Lewis M. White.
Rockwall, Thomas E. Sherwood, John Beverly.
Greenville, J. L. Angell, W. K. Duff.

SULPHUR SPRINGS DISTRICT.

Matthew H. Neely, P. E.

Sulphur Springs:

Sulphur Springs Station, J. Clark Smith.
City Mission, Wiley A. Shook.
Sulphur Springs Circuit, C. J. Cocke.
Sulphur Bluff, Eugene T. Bates, J. H. Low, Sup.
Lone Oak, J. F. Sherwood.
Emory Mission, J. C. Randall.
Pleasant Grove, H. C. Rogers.
Kaufman Circuit, John W. Fields, J. M. Langston, A. H. Brewer, Sup.
Wells's Point, L. P. Lively.
Canton, M. C. Simpson.
Garden Valley, Daniel T. Lake, E. S. Boyd.

28.—EAST TEXAS CONFERENCE.

HELD AT PALESTINE, TEXAS, *November 12-17, 1873.*

BISHOP KAVANAUGH, *President*; E. F. BOONE, *Secretary.*

QUESTION 1. Who are admitted on trial?
ANSWER. Ed. T. Brasher, Stephen W. Turner, James M. Mills. 3.

Ques. 2. Who remain on trial?
William A. Moore, James R. Wages, James M. Bond, B. A. Thomasson, Jas. N. Bridges. 5.

Ques. 3. Who are discontinued?
J. C. Burgamy, at his own request. 1.

Ques. 4. Who are admitted into full connection?
William H. Willey, William N. Bonner. 2.
George W. Berry was received as an elder from the Cumberland Presbyterian Church.

Ques. 5. Who are readmitted?
Samuel Weaver, Richard Menifee. 2.

Ques. 6. Who are received by transfer from other Conferences?
M. T. Leach, Joseph M. Blanton. 2.

Ques. 7. Who are the deacons of one year?
James M. Bond, James R. Wages. 2.

Ques. 8. What traveling preachers are elected deacons?
William H. Willey. 1.

Ques. 9. What traveling preachers are ordained deacons?
William H. Willey. 1.

Ques. 10. What local preachers are elected deacons?
Thomas T. Booth, J. H. Price, Emmet B. Thompson, James T. Armstrong. 4.

Ques. 11. What local preachers are ordained deacons?
Thomas T. Booth. 1.

Ques. 12. What traveling preachers are elected elders?
None.

Ques. 13. What traveling preachers are ordained elders?
None.

Ques. 14. What local preachers are elected elders?
James H. Rushing, Madison Paine. 2.

Ques. 15. What local preachers are ordained elders?
James H. Rushing, Madison Paine. 2.

Ques. 16. Who are located this year?
None.

Ques. 17. Who are supernumerary?
T. W. Rogers, Isaac W. Overall, S. K. Stovall, E. L. Armstrong, John W. Broxson. 5.

Ques. 18. Who are superannuated?
J. B. Tullis, Neil Brown. 2.

Ques. 19. What preachers have died during the past year?
N. W. Burks, Jefferson Shook, Levi R. Dennis, Acton Young. 4.

JEFFERSON SHOOK was born, in Madison county, Mo., May 20, 1820. He was converted Oct. 15, 1838, and joined the M. E. Church Nov. 2, of the same year, in Arkansas. He was licensed to preach Sept. 18, 1841, and was admitted on trial in the Arkansas Conference the same year, and was appointed to the De Kalb Circuit, in the then Republic of Texas. In 1842 he was appointed to Mountain Mission. In 1843 he was ordained deacon, and appointed to Clarksville Circuit. In 1844 he was transferred to the Texas Conference, and appointed to the Paris Circuit. In 1845 the Conference was divided into two, and he fell into the East Texas Conference, and returned to the Paris Circuit. In Feb., 1846, he was ordained elder, and appointed to the Boston Circuit. In 1847 to Jefferson Circuit—in 1848-9 to Crockett Circuit—in 1850 to Liberty Circuit. The next four years he was Presiding Elder of the Woodville District, during which time his health failed, and for several years he sustained a supernumerary relation, after which he was appointed one year to the Rusk Station, and one to the Melrose Circuit. His health continuing bad, he was again placed on the supernumerary list, in which relation he continued until his death, which occurred Dec. 20, 1872, in the fifty-third year of his age. Brother Shook served this Conference as Secretary, as one of the Publishing Committee of the *Texas Christian Advocate*, as Treasurer of the Conference Missionary Society, and as our representative in the General Conference. In all these relations he proved a faithful servant of the Church. Brother Shook's capacities were above mediocrity, both as a preacher and writer. His pulpit-style was rather polemic in its nature. He investigated his subject closely, defended the doctrines of his Church sternly, and clung to what he believed with tenacity. As a writer, he rather excelled, wielding a vigorous pen in vindication of truth, and in the expulsion of error. Brother Shook fell away from home and loved ones, but was well cared for in his last illness, and died in great peace.

ACTON YOUNG was born in Kentucky, came to Texas in 1841, embraced religion in Sabine county in 1845, and joined the M. E. Church, South, the same year. He was licensed to exhort in 1847, and to preach in 1849, and was received on trial in the East Texas Conference in 1850. For want of information we cannot give in detail the various fields of labor to which he was assigned; but with pleasure we can state that he filled, with faithfulness and acceptability, numerous circuits within our bounds, after which he was made Presiding Elder of the Woodville District, in which capacity he served for four years with acceptability and great usefulness to the Church. During this time his throat became diseased, and he was compelled to request a supernumerary relation, in which relation he continued, serving the Church to the best of his ability, to the end of his life. Brother Young, in his last illness, when approaching the hour of his demise, speaking of his preparation, said: "All is right. Tell my brethren I love them—counsel my children to meet me in heaven." He fell asleep in Jesus at his residence in Woodville, Tyler county, Texas, in 1873. Brother Young was a sweet-spirited man: he loved God and the Church, and always exhibited great attachment and tenderness to his brethren. His house was emphatically the itinerant's home. As a preacher, he delivered his message with great force and telling effect upon his audience. He was no ordinary man. He will long be remembered by the members of this body and the people whom he served.

LEVI R. DENNIS.—As we are not in possession of the *data* in reference to his early history, we can only speak of him advisedly from the time of his transfer from the Tennessee Conference to this, in 1855. He was appointed to the Jefferson Station the first two years, after which he served in the various relations of circuit and station preacher, and Presiding Elder, up to the day of his death, which occurred at his residence in Tyler, on Sunday morning, April 26, 1873, sword in hand and armor on. Brother Dennis was lovely in his disposition, ardent in his attachments, and untiring in his kindness to his family and friends. He stood high among us as a preacher, and was a leading member of this Conference. He was an able expounder of the doctrines of the Church, well versed in the Scriptures, and understood well our standard authors. As an elder, he was an able administrator of the ordinances and discipline of the Church; flinching from no responsibility, prompt in every department of duty. He died triumphantly, and rests from his labors.

NAPOLEON W. BURKS was born, in Greensboro, Green county, Ky., Oct. 8, 1809, and embraced religion in Sabine county, Texas, July 4, 1843. He was licensed to preach in 1844; joined the East Texas Conference in 1845; was appointed to the Shelby Circuit his first year, and to the Marshall Circuit the

second. In 1847 he was ordained deacon by Bishop Paine, and reappointed to the Marshall Circuit. In 1848 he was sent to the Clarksville Circuit. In 1849 he was ordained elder by Bishop Andrew, and continued to fill the various appointments to which he was assigned as circuit and station preacher, Presiding Elder, and President of Fowler Institute, until 1871, when he asked and obtained a superannuated relation. He also represented us in the General Conference. In all of these relations he proved a faithful and successful servant of the Church. In a letter to Brother J. C. Woolam, dated Aug. 29, 1873, he says: "I am still in bad health, and am patiently waiting the coming of the Master. All is clear as a sunbeam in that direction. I do not fear it in the least, but rather look forward to that event with sweet and bright anticipations." To Brother Morse he said, just before his death: "Tell my brethren of the East Texas Conference that there is not a cloud between me and my Saviour. All is well! Tell them I love them—to be faithful and meet me in heaven." He sweetly fell asleep in Jesus, at his residence, in Henderson, Rusk county, Texas, Oct. 15, 1873. Brother Burks was a man of fair literary attainments, and an excellent preacher; and his ministry was abundantly blessed in the awakening of sinners and the conversion of souls.

Ques. 20. Are all the preachers blameless in their life and official administration?

Their names were called over, one by one, and their characters examined and passed.

Ques. 21. What is the number of local preachers and members in the several circuits, stations, and missions of the Conference?

Marshall District.

	White Mem's.	Col'd Mem's.	Loc'l Pr's.
Marshall Station	170	.....	3
Marshall Circuit	230	.....	2
Elysian Circuit	295	.....	2
Henderson and Belview	448	.....	4
Starrville Circuit	537	.....	6
Hallville Mission	72	.....	1
Knoxville	502	.....	6
	2254	.....	24

Palestine District.

Palestine Station	75	.....	2
Kickapoo	169	.....	1
Rusk Station	113	.....	.....
Rusk Circuit	421	.....	7
Larissa Circuit	364	.....	3
Tyler Station	187	.....	3
Athens Circuit	325	.....	3
Tyler Mission	164	.....	2
	1818	.....	21

San Augustin District.

San Augustin Circuit	160	.....	3
Shelbyville	342	.....	3
Patroon Mission .....	.....	.....	.....
Melrose Circuit	320	.....	6
Lynn Flat	339	.....	6
Mount Enterprise	526	.....	.....

San Augustin District (continued).

	White Mem's.	Col'd Mem's.	Loc'l Pr's.
Milam Mission.....	180	.....	1
Carthage Circuit.....	694	.....	3
New Concord.....	174	.....	.....
	2735	.....	22

Crockett District.

Crockett and Pennington Station.....	97	.....	1
Crockett Circuit.....	426	.....	3
Sumter Mission.....	58	.....	2
Neches Circuit.....	195	.....	1
Moscow.....	121	.....	3
Palestine.....	197	.....	6
Homer Circuit.....	223	.....	6
	1317	.....	22

Beaumont District.

Beaumont and Orange.....	92	.....	.....
Village Circuit.....	.....	.....	.....
Liberty Station.....	57	.....	.....
Wallisville Mission.....	66	.....	1
Woodville.....	101	.....	9
Jasper Circuit.....	308	.....	4
Burkville.....	334	.....	4
	958	.....	18

Recapitulation.

Marshall District.....	2254	.....	24
Palestine ".....	1818	.....	21
San Augustin ".....	2735	.....	22
Crockett ".....	1317	.....	22
Beaumont ".....	958	.....	18
Total this year.....	9082	.....	107
Total last year.....	9110	.....	102
Increase.....			5
Decrease.....	28		

Ques. 22. How many infants have been baptized during the year?
439.

Ques. 23. How many adults have been baptized during the year?
710.

Ques. 24. What is the number of Sunday-schools?
74.

Ques. 25. What is the number of Sunday-school teachers?
368.

Ques. 26. What is the number of Sunday-school scholars?
3751.

Ques. 27. What amount is necessary for the superannuated preachers, and the widows and orphans of preachers?
\$1,550.

Ques. 28. What has been collected on the foregoing account, and how has it been applied?
Collected, \$1,190 70

Applied as follows:
Sister Lynch, 130 00
Sister Burk, 100 00
Sister Ellis, 150 00
Sister Bond, 110 00
Sister Kavanaugh, 40 00

Sister Williams, 130 00
Sister Neely, 65 00
Sister Shook, 90 00
Sister Dennis, 55 00
Brother Brown, 25 70
Bishop Kavanaugh, 295 00

Ques. 29. What has been contributed for missions?
\$1,317.

Ques. 30. Where shall the next session of the Conference be held?
At Marshall, Texas.

Ques. 31. Where are the preachers stationed this year?

MARSHALL DISTRICT.

Daniel Morse, P. E.

Marshall Station, J. R. Peeples, T. W. Rogers, Sup.
Harrison Circuit, L. C. Crouse.
Scottsville and Jonesville, E. P. Rogers.
Elysian Fields Circuit, J. R. Middleton.
Henderson and Belview Circuit, J. S. Mathis.
Starrville Circuit, D. M. Stovall.
Knoxville Circuit, Allen M. Box.

PALESTINE DISTRICT.

John Adams, P. E.

Palestine Station, Stephen W. Turner.
Kickapoo Circuit, W. H. Ardis, W. A. Moore.
Larissa Circuit, E. F. Boone.
Rusk Circuit, Samuel Weaver.
Rusk and Hawk's Chapel Station, H. M. Booth.
Tyler Station, R. S. Finley.
Tyler Circuit, W. N. Bonner.
Athens Circuit, John W. Johnson.

SAN AUGUSTIN DISTRICT.

J. R. Bellamy, P. E.

San Augustin and New Hope Station, Lacy Boone.
San Augustin Circuit, B. A. Thomasson.
Carthage Circuit, J. C. A. Bridges.
Mount Enterprise Circuit, D. S. Watkins.
New Concord Circuit, James M. Mills.
Shelby Circuit, Marion Donegan.
Lynn Flat Circuit, A. D. Parks, J. W. Overall, Sup.
Melrose Circuit, William H. Willey.
Milam Mission, Richard Menifee.
Buena Vista Mission, James N. Bridges.
Sunday-school Agent, John W. Mills.

CROCKETT DISTRICT.

D. P. Cullen, P. E.

Crockett and Pennington, J. C. Woolam.
Crockett Circuit, George W. Berry.
Palestine Circuit, J. M. Blanton, J. W. Broxson, Sup.
Neches Circuit, Ed. T. Brasher.
Sumter Mission, to be supplied (by T. T. Thornton).
Moscow Circuit, E. W. White.
Homer Circuit, Milton H. Jones.

BEAUMONT DISTRICT.

F. M. Stovall, P. E.

Beaumont and Orange Station, to be supplied
(by W. M. Gillam).
Village Creek Circuit, to be supplied.
Woodville and Mount Hope Mission, James
M. Bond.
Jasper Circuit, J. R. Wages, E. L. Armstrong,
Sup.

Liberty and Wallisville Circuit, M. T. Leach.
Newton Circuit, R. C. Armstrong.

Samuel Morris and W. H. Moss transferred
to Trinity Conference.

J. K. Street, W. C. Collins, and W. F. Compton,
transferred to North-west Texas Conference.

29.—TEXAS CONFERENCE.

HELD AT AUSTIN, TEXAS, *December 10-16, 1873.*

BISHOP KAVANAUGH, *President*; H. V. PHILPOTT, *Secretary*.

QUESTION 1. Who are admitted on trial?

ANSWER. Robert T. Nabors, Jonathan Burford, Richard W. Kavanaugh, August Scheurich. 4.

Ques. 2. Who remain on trial?

J. T. Williamson, Samuel A. Whipple, Melville C. Field, Samuel H. Brown. 4.

Ques. 3. Who are discontinued?

Alney W. Newman. 1.

Ques. 4. Who are admitted into full connection?

Joseph L. Lemons, Philmer C. Archer. 2.

Ques. 5. Who are readmitted?

None.

Ques. 6. Who are received by transfer from other Conferences?

R. A. Compton, N. A. Cravens, A. G. Stacy, John C. Kopp, Herman Evers. 5.

Ques. 7. Who are the deacons of one year?

C. L. Farrington, Daniel Morgan. 2.

Ques. 8. What traveling preachers are elected deacons?

John T. Williamson, Samuel A. Whipple, Melville C. Field. 3.

Ques. 9. What traveling preachers are ordained deacons?

John T. Williamson, Samuel A. Whipple, Melville C. Field. 3.

Ques. 10. What local preachers are elected deacons?

Robert T. Nabors, Richard W. Kavanaugh, P. E. Nicholson, Nicholas G. King. 4.

Ques. 11. What local preachers are ordained deacons?

Robert T. Nabors, Richard W. Kavanaugh, P. E. Nicholson, Nicholas G. King. 4.

Ques. 12. What traveling preachers are elected elders?

Elam H. Holbrook, John S. Clower, Philmer C. Archer. 3.

Ques. 13. What traveling preachers are ordained elders?

Elam H. Holbrook, John S. Clower, Philmer C. Archer. 3.

Ques. 14. What local preachers are elected elders?

Nelson S. Rector, August Bering, Solomon Fisher (colored). 3.

Ques. 15. What local preachers are ordained elders?

Nelson S. Rector, Solomon Fisher (colored). 2.

Ques. 16. Who are located this year?

J. W. Bennett, M. H. Porter. 2.

Ques. 17. Who are supernumerary?

Elam H. Holbrook, William C. Lewis, Jacob Matthews, J. S. Graves, August Engel, A. Albright. 6.

Ques. 18. Who are superannuated?

Robert Alexander, J. M. Turner, James G. Johnson, Thomas W. Blake, J. H. Davidson, A. B. F. Kerr, Francis A. McShan. 7.

Ques. 19. What preachers have died during the past year?

None.

Ques. 20. Are all the preachers blameless in their life and official administration?

Their names were called over, one by one, and their characters examined and passed.

Ques. 21. What is the number of local preachers and members in the several circuits, stations, and missions of the Conference?

Galveston District.

	White Mem's.	Col'd Mem's.	Loc'l Pr's.
Galveston:			
St. John's.....	328	.....	2
St. James's.....	84	.....	2
Bay Mission.....	72	.....	2
Shearn Chapel.....	213	.....	2
Washington St. and Chapmanville..	112	.....	2
City Mills and Harrisburg.....	41	.....	.....
Spring Mission.....	21	.....	.....
Columbia.....	61	.....	1
Velasco.....	127	1	1
Matagorda.....	109	2	2
Hempstead.....	42	.....	3
Richmond and Eagle Lake.....	40	.....	.....
Spring Creek.....	78	.....	2
	1328	3	19

Austin District.

	White Mem's.	Col'd Mem's.	Loc'l Pr's.
Austin:			
Austin Station.....	235	.....	5
City Mission.....	35	.....	.....
Austin Circuit.....	115	.....	2
Mauschack.....	80	.....	1
Bastrop.....	52	.....	1
Winchester.....	122	.....	1
Buckner's Creek Mission.....	94	.....	1
Red Rock.....	115	.....	.....
La Grange.....	70	.....	1
Navidad.....	214	.....	.....
Columbus and Osage.....	212	.....	.....
	1344	.....	12

Chappell Hill District.

	White Mem's.	Col'd Mem's.	Loc'l Pr's.
Chappell Hill.....	111	.....	1
Brenham.....	120	.....	2
Independence.....	80	.....	3
Belleville.....	178	.....	1
San Felipe.....	120	188	2
Burton.....	150	.....	3
Caldwell.....	240	.....	5
Burleson.....	18	.....	.....
Lexington.....	223	.....	3
Giddings.....	24	.....	.....
Fayetteville.....	90	.....	3
	1354	188	23

Huntsville District.

	White Mem's.	Col'd Mem's.	Loc'l Pr's.
Huntsville.....	107	.....	.....
Cold Springs.....	95	.....	2
Waverly and Willis.....	165	.....	.....
Caney Creek Mission.....	92	.....	1
Trinity.....	85	.....	.....
Prairie Plains.....	140	.....	.....
Anderson.....	200	.....	5
Navasota.....	175	.....	2
Bryan.....	195	.....	3
Bryan Circuit.....	227	.....	2
Zion Circuit.....	175	.....	2
Madisonville.....	146	.....	4
	1802	.....	21

German Mission District.

	White Mem's.	Col'd Mem's.	Loc'l Pr's.
Galveston Mission.....	91	.....	.....
Houston Station.....	95	.....	2
Belleville Mission.....	22	.....	.....
Industry Mission.....	22	.....	2
Bastrop Mission.....	101	.....	2
New Braunfels Mission.....	95	.....	1
New Fountain Mission.....	72	.....	.....
Fredericksburg Mission.....	70	.....	1
Llano Mission.....	61	.....	.....
Yorktown Mission.....	25	.....	1
	572	.....	9

Recapitulation.

	White Mem's.	Col'd Mem's.	Loc'l Pr's.
Galveston District.....	1328	3	19
Austin ".....	1344	.....	12
Chappell Hill ".....	1354	188	23
Huntsville ".....	1802	.....	21
German Mission ".....	572	.....	9
Total this year.....	6400	191	84
Total last year.....	6075	.....	77
Increase.....	325	191	7

Ques. 22. How many infants have been baptized during the year?
404.

Ques. 23. How many adults have been baptized during the year?
227.

Ques. 24. What is the number of Sunday-schools?
78.

Ques. 25. What is the number of Sunday-school teachers?
548.

Ques. 26. What is the number of Sunday-school scholars?
3486.

Ques. 27. What amount is necessary for the superannuated preachers, and the widows and orphans of preachers?
\$1,000.

Ques. 28. What has been collected on the foregoing account, and how has it been applied?

Collected,	\$710 00
Applied as follows:	
Sister Carden and children,	150 00
Brother James M. Addison's child,	100 00
Sister Wooldridge and children,	100 00
Brother Joseph M. Turner,	120 00
Brother F. A. McShan,	120 00
Brother R. W. Kennon,	120 00
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	\$710 00

Ques. 29. What has been contributed for missions?
\$2,362 72.

Ques. 30. Where shall the next session of the Conference be held?
At Houston, Texas.

Ques. 31. Where are the preachers stationed this year?

GALVESTON DISTRICT.

I. G. John, P. E.

Galveston:
 St. John's, J. B. Walker.
 St. James's, Robert T. Nabors.
 Bay Mission, to be supplied.
 Shearn Chapel, N. A. Cravens.
 Washington Street and Chapmanville, to be supplied (by F. T. Mitchell).
 City Mills and Harrisburg, B. T. Kavanaugh.
 Hempstead and Kirby Chapel, J. T. Williamson.

Spring Creek Circuit, to be supplied.
 Richmond and Eagle Lake, R. A. Compton.
 Columbia and Brazoria, F. C. Wilks.
 Matagorda Circuit, M. C. Field.
 Velasco, to be supplied (by P. E. Nicholson).
Texas Christian Advocate, I. G. John, Editor;
 J. B. Walker, Assistant Editor.

AUSTIN DISTRICT.

C. J. Lane, P. E.

Austin:

Austin Station, H. V. Philpott.
 Swede's Mission, to be supplied.
 City Mission, J. W. Whipple.
 Austin Circuit, Richard W. Kavanaugh.
 Bastrop Circuit, J. C. Huckabee.
 Winchester, Daniel Morgan.
 Oso Circuit, S. A. Whipple.
 Cedar Creek Circuit, L. Ercanbrack.
 La Grange, A. L. P. Green.
 Fayetteville Mission, R. W. Kennon.
 Navidad, to be supplied.
 Columbus and Osage, P. W. Archer.
 Bastrop and Hill's Prairie, F. L. Allen.

CHAPPELL HILL DISTRICT.

H. S. Thrall, P. E.

Chappell Hill, O. Fisher.
 Brenham, B. D. Dashiell.
 Brenham Mission, A. G. Beaumont.
 Independence Circuit, Walter S. South.
 Belleville Circuit, Samuel H. Brown.
 San Felipe Circuit, Thomas Whitworth.
 Burton Circuit, W. G. Nelms.
 Caldwell Circuit, J. L. Lemons.
 Lexington Circuit, Jona. Burford.
 Giddings Mission, to be supplied (by J. T. Tally).
 Birch Creek Mission, to be supplied (by A. C. Delaplane).

HUNTSVILLE DISTRICT.

T. B. Buckingham, P. E.

Huntsville, P. C. Archer.
 Cold Springs Circuit, to be supplied.
 Willis, G. S. Sandle.
 Trinity, to be supplied.
 Prairie Plains, C. L. Farrington.
 Anderson and Plantersville, U. C. Spencer, one to be supplied.
 Caney Creek Mission, to be supplied.
 Navasota, James M. Wessen.
 Bryan, S. C. Littlepage, E. H. Holbrook, Sup.
 Bryan Circuit, A. W. Smith, S. J. Graves, Sup.
 Zion Circuit, J. A. Light.
 Madisonville Circuit, John S. Clower.
 Texas University, F. A. Mood, Regent.
 Chappell Hill Female College, E. D. Pitts, President.
 Austin Female College, A. G. Stacy, President.

HOUSTON GERMAN MISSION DISTRICT.

J. A. Pauley, P. E.

Galveston Mission, Herman Evers.
 Houston Station, John Preuning.
 Belleville Mission, August Scheurich.
 Industry Mission, William Knolly.
 Bastrop Mission, John C. Kopp, A. Albright, Sup.
 Houston and Cypress Mission, John A. Rabe.

NEW BRAUNFELS GERMAN MISSION DISTRICT.

F. Vordenbaumen, P. E.

New Fountain Mission, John A. Schaper.
 Fredericksburg Mission, Jacob Kern.
 Llano, C. A. Grote.
 Yorktown, to be supplied.
 New Braunfels and Elm Creek Mission, Jacob Bader, J. F. Wohlschlegel, August Engel, Sup.

30.—NORTH-WEST TEXAS CONFERENCE.

HELD AT WACO, TEXAS, *Nov. 26-Dec. 3, 1873.*

BISHOP KAVANAUGH, *President*; JOHN S. MCCARVER, *Secretary*.

QUESTION 1. Who are admitted on trial?

ANSWER. Samuel C. Vaughan, Levi F. Collins, J. Willis Kelly, Samuel J. Franks, Hugh Griffin, R. C. Hendricks, James Campbell, Jas. Truitt, Robert K. Thomas, A. F. Law, John S. Graham. 11.

Ques. 2. Who remain on trial?

W. D. Robinson, Jo. J. Shirley, Wiley V. Jones, W. G. Davenport, John R. Barden. 5.

Ques. 3. Who are discontinued?

William Reece. 1.

Ques. 4. Who are admitted into full connection?

T. G. A. Tharp, R. H. H. Burnett, N. A. Duckett, Willis J. King, Osgood A. Shook, F. Olin Danelly, A. D. Gaskill, W. E. Weaver, James J. Davis, W. T. Johnson, Jackson H. Perry. 11.

Ques. 5. Who are readmitted?
John R. White, H. J. McQuary. 2.

Ques. 6. Who are received by transfer from other Conferences?

H. C. McQuown, W. A. Sampey, John R. Randle, W. C. Young, W. C. Collins, W. P. Wilson, J. W. B. Allen, J. W. Walkup, W. K. Turner, George R. Bryce, J. K. Street, H. S. B. Ashby, W. F. Compton. 13.

Ques. 7. Who are the deacons of one year?
E. A. Bailey, James Hiner. 2.

Ques. 8. What traveling preachers are elected deacons?

James J. Davis, W. T. Johnson, T. G. A. Tharp, R. H. H. Burnett, Osgood A. Shook. 5.

Ques. 9. What traveling preachers are ordained deacons?

Thomas G. A. Tharp, R. H. H. Burnett, Osgood A. Shook, James J. Davis, W. T. Johnson, Joseph J. Shirley. 6.

Ques. 10. What local preachers are elected deacons?

John A. B. Whittenberg, W. R. Robinson, George W. Featherston, John E. Surratt, Wm. B. Gage, James Truitt, Rowland H. Simpson, George Ruddle, M. D. Johnson, John H. Stegall. 10.

Ques. 11. What local preachers are ordained deacons?

Bythell H. Baird, John A. B. Whittenberg, George W. Featherston, Theodore M. Price, James Truitt, Rowland H. Simpson, John H. Stegall. 7.

Ques. 12. What traveling preachers are elected elders?

John P. Mussett, James D. Shaw. 2.

Ques. 13. What traveling preachers are ordained elders?

John P. Mussett, James D. Shaw. 2.

Ques. 14. What local preachers are elected elders?

W. S. Compton, John A. Bowman, M. B. Roberts, James A. King. 4.

Ques. 15. What local preachers are ordained elders?

John A. Bowman, James A. King. 2.

Ques. 16. Who are located this year?
Jackson H. Perry. 1.

Ques. 17. Who are supernumerary?
John Powell, F. P. Ray, Jo. F. Hines, Mor-decai Yell. 4.

Ques. 18. Who are superannuated?
Jo. P. Sneed, Drury Womack, James M. Johnson, C. N. McGuire, W. W. Thomas, Benj. A. Kemp. 6.

Ques. 19. What preachers have died during the past year?

Thomas J. Hutson. 1.

THOMAS J. HUTSON was born, in Scott county, Miss., about the year 1837, and died, at Port Sullivan, Texas, Oct. 28, 1873. Brother Hutson was the son of a Baptist minister, and was brought up in the faith of the Baptist Church. He professed saving faith in Christ, at Shiloh Camp-ground, and united himself with the M. E. Church, South, in 1856. In his conversion his religious opinions were changed, and he could not be a Baptist without sacrificing his views of the atonement. After joining the Church he was appointed class-leader, and in that relation he served the Church faithfully for two years, at the close of which time he obtained license to exhort, and in 1861 he was licensed to preach. He was admitted on trial into the Mississippi Conference in 1867. His first appointment was Hillsboro Circuit. In 1869 he traveled the Trenton Circuit, and was transferred the same year, as a probationer, to the North-west Texas Conference. In 1870 he traveled the Hillsboro Circuit, 1871 Richland, 1872 Mount Calm and East Waco Mission, 1873 Cameron and Port Sullivan Circuit, on which he finished his work. The literary advantages of Brother Hutson were very limited, but he labored faithfully to do acceptable work in the sight of God. He gloried in nothing save the cross, and was always willing to make every necessary sacrifice for the salvation of sinners. Many souls were converted under his ministry in Mississippi and Texas. He was a good pastor, and but few excelled him as a disciplinarian. He was ready to give an exact account of his work at every Quarterly Conference. He was zealous, had strong faith, and possessed every evidence of his acceptance with God. His sickness was of short duration; he was attacked with black jaundice, which baffled the skill of the physician, and terminated his useful life. He bore his affliction with much patience, feeling assured that it was all right, and that he would soon realize an "eternal weight of glory."

Ques. 20. Are all the preachers blameless in their life and official administration?

Their names were called over, one by one, and their characters examined and passed.

Ques. 21. What is the number of local preachers and members in the several circuits, stations, and missions of the Conference?

Belton District.

	White Mem's.	Col'd Mem's.	Loc'l Pr's.
Cameron and Port Sullivan.....	262	.....	1
Belton Station.....	127	.....	3
Leon Circuit.....	337	.....	8
Gatesville Station.....	134	.....	1
Gatesville Circuit.....	308	.....	3
Lampassas Circuit.....	266	.....	11
Valley Mills Circuit.....	438	.....	4
Sugar-loaf Circuit.....	306	.....	7
Davilla Circuit.....	524	.....	7
San Gabriel Circuit.....	377	.....	7
Georgetown Circuit.....	402	.....	4
	3491	.....	56

Waco District.

	White Mem's.	Col'd Mem's.	Lec'l Pr's.
Waco Station.....	295	.....	6
Brazos Circuit.....	148	.....	1
East Waco and Mount Calm.....	260	.....	1
Marlin Station.....	72	.....	.....
Bremond Circuit.....	513	.....	5
Wheelock Circuit.....	148	.....	4
Groesbeck Circuit.....	178	.....	7
Jena Mission.....	200	.....	3
Calvert and Hearn Station.....	56	.....	.....
	1870	.....	27

Springfield District.

Springfield Circuit.....	272	.....	6
Redland Circuit.....	210	.....	3
Centerville Circuit.....	203	.....	3
Fairfield Circuit.....	399	.....	3
Corsicana Station.....	104	.....	2
Dresden Circuit.....	424	.....	6
Owensville Circuit.....	375	.....	4
Tehuacana Mission.....	263	.....	1
Wadeville Mission.....	75	.....	2
	2325	.....	30

Waxahachie District.

Waxahachie Station.....	169	.....	5
Waxahachie Circuit.....	314	.....	5
Red Oak Circuit.....	144	.....	2
Lancaster Circuit.....	335	.....	4
Chatfield Circuit.....	250	.....	1
Hillsboro Circuit.....	284	.....	4
Milford Circuit.....	137	.....	1
Peoria Circuit.....	399	.....	9
Hutchins Mission.....	60	.....	.....
	2092	.....	31

Weatherford District.

Weatherford Circuit.....	350	.....	4
Walnut Creek Circuit.....	332	.....	3
Jacksboro Station.....	45	.....	.....
Acton Circuit.....	335	.....	6
Noland River Mission.....	190	.....	2
Granberry Circuit.....	306	.....	4
Cleburne Circuit.....	360	.....	7
Alvarado Circuit.....	445	.....	7
Fort Worth Circuit.....	313	.....	5
Fort Worth Station.....	75	.....	1
	2751	.....	39

Stevensville Mission District.

Stevensville Mission.....	126	.....	2
North Bosque Mission.....	326	.....	7
Poluxy Mission.....	347	.....	5
Comanche Circuit.....	330	.....	3
Palo Pinto Mission.....	74	.....	2
Hamilton Mission.....	75	.....	1
Rockvale Circuit.....	145	.....	2
San Saba Mission.....	59	.....	5
Camp Colorado Mission.....	40	.....	.....
	1522	.....	27

Recapitulation.

Belton District.....	3491	.....	56
Waco ".....	1870	.....	27
Springfield ".....	2325	.....	30
Waxahachie ".....	2092	.....	31
Weatherford ".....	2751	.....	39
Stevensville Miss. ".....	1522	.....	27
Total this year.....	14,051	.....	210
Total last year.....	11,425	.....	177
Increase.....	2,626	.....	33

Ques. 22. How many infants have been baptized during the year?
665.

Ques. 23. How many adults have been baptized during the year?
1103.

Ques. 24. What is the number of Sunday-schools?
87.

Ques. 25. What is the number of Sunday-school teachers?
618.

Ques. 26. What is the number of Sunday-school scholars?
4390.

Ques. 27. What amount is necessary for the superannuated preachers, and the widows and orphans of preachers?
\$2,000.

Ques. 28. What has been collected on the foregoing account, and how has it been applied?

Collected,	\$1,402 00
Applied as follows:	
Sister McWilliams,	206 85
Sister Boyd,	137 90
Benjamin A. Kemp,	137 90
Sister Lambdin,	150 00
Sister Whipple,	103 40
C. N. McGuire,	103 50
Sister Mullens,	68 95
Drury Womack,	68 95
Sister Annis,	34 50
Jo. P. Sneed,	9 00

Ques. 29. What has been contributed for missions?
\$1,545 45.

Ques. 30. Where shall the next session of the Conference be held?
At Weatherford, Parker county, Texas.

Ques. 31. Where are the preachers stationed this year?

BELTON DISTRICT.

W. R. D. Stockton, P. E.

Belton Station, John F. Neal.
Port Sullivan and Cameron Circuit, J. W. Walkup.
San Gabriel, W. C. Collins.
Salado and Davilla, O. M. Addison.
Georgetown, James S. Lane.
Liberty Hill, J. W. B. Allen.
Burnett Mission, N. A. Duckett.
Lampassas Mission, T. G. A. Tharp.
Sugar-loaf Circuit, to be supplied (by B. H. Baird).
Gatesville Station, R. J. Perry.
Gatesville Circuit, John Carpenter.
Leon, Willis J. King.
Agent for Sunday-school in Waco and Springfield Districts, Robert Crawford; for the rest of the Conference, F. O. Danelly.

WACO DISTRICT.

W. G. Veal, P. E.

Waco Station, Thomas Stanford.
 Marlin Station, W. L. Kidd.
 Marlin Circuit, W. T. Melugin.
 Groesbeck, J. F. Cox, M. Yell, Sup.
 Owensville, W. K. Turner.
 Wheelock, W. C. Vaughan.
 Calvert and Hearn Station, Charles E. Brown.
 Deer Creek Circuit, John R. White.
 Cedar Bridge, James Peeler.
 Bosqueville, W. L. Kistler, J. W. F. Noland,
 Sup.
 Jonesboro Mission, W. G. Davenport.
 Waco Female College, W. G. Conner, Presi-
 dent; Sam. P. Wright, Agent.

SPRINGFIELD DISTRICT.

G. W. Graves, P. E.

Springfield Circuit, J. D. Show.
 Fairfield, W. W. Jared.
 Butler, George R. Bryce.
 Centerville, W. F. Compton.
 Redland, James J. Davis.
 Navasota Mission, Sam. J. Franks.
 Mount Calm Circuit, Osgood A. Shook.
 Dresden Circuit, R. C. Hendrick.
 Corsicana Station, Horace Bishop, W. C. Young,
 Sup.
 Corsicana Circuit, to be supplied.
 District Superintendent American Bible So-
 ciety, John S. McCarver.

WAXAHACHIE DISTRICT.

Andrew Davis, P. E.

Waxahachie Station, M. D. Fly, Jo. F. Hines,
 Sup.
 Waxahachie Circuit, Wm. Price, F. P. Ray,
 Sup.
 Lancaster Circuit, John S. Davis, J. W. Kelly.
 Grove Creek and Ennis Circuit, A. D. Gaskill.

Chatfield Circuit, Wm. Vaughan.
 Milford, H. C. McQuown.
 Hillsboro, W. D. Robinson.
 Peoria, T. G. Gilmore.
 Fort Graham, R. K. Thomas.
 Chambers Creek, S. S. Yarbrough.
 Marvin College, J. M. Pugh, President.

WEATHERFORD DISTRICT.

T. W. Hines, P. E.

Weatherford Station, William A. Sampey.
 Weatherford Circuit, James Hiner.
 Grauberry, James R. Randle.
 Acton, Jo. J. Shirley.
 Cleburne and Marysville Station, R. B. Wo-
 mack.
 Cleburne Circuit, John P. Mussett.
 Alvarado, E. A. Baily, J. Powell, Sup.
 Mansfield, James Campbell.
 Johnson Station, W. T. Johnson.
 Fort Worth, R. H. H. Burnett.
 Springtown Mission, H. S. B. Ashby.
 Cartersville Circuit, Jas. M. Jones, Jas. Truitt.
 Jacksboro Station, Peter W. Gravis.
 Weatherford High-school, W. P. Wilson, Prin-
 cipal.

STEVENSVILLE MISSION DISTRICT.

William Monk, P. E.

Stevensville Mission, N. F. Laws.
 North Bosque, W. V. Jones.
 Poluxy Circuit, S. D. Akin.
 Palo Pinto and Graham City, J. T. Graham.
 Comanche Station, A. A. Cornett.
 Comanche Circuit, H. J. McQuary.
 Eastland Mission, Levi H. Collins.
 Camp Colorado, Hugh Griffin.
 San Saba, to be supplied (by James A. King).
 Rockvale Circuit, James D. Whitehead.
 Fort Mason Mission, John R. Barden.
 Hamilton Mission, William E. Weaver.
 Fort Griffen, H. B. Smith.

31.—WEST TEXAS CONFERENCE.

HELD AT LOCKHART, TEXAS, *December 18-22, 1873.*BISHOP KAVANAUGH, *President*; W. J. JOYCE, *Secretary*.

QUESTION 1. Who are admitted on trial?

ANSWER. Temple G. Wools, Wm. C. Kings-
 bury, John E. Vernor, Thomas R. Atkins,
 Nicholas W. Keith, Jefferson J. Honeycutt. 6.

Ques. 2. Who remain on trial?

William M. Crow. 1.

Ques. 3. Who are discontinued?

None.

Ques. 4. Who are admitted into full connec-
 tion?William G. Cocke, John B. Denton, William
 L. Ridout, John F. Cook, Mark A. Black,
 Alejo Hernandez. 6.

Ques. 5. Who are readmitted?

Thomas T. Smothers, Robert H. Belvin. 2.

Ques. 6. Who are received by transfer from other Conferences?

William M. Crow, J. W. Vest. 2.

Ques. 7. Who are the deacons of one year?

None.

Ques. 8. What traveling preachers are elected deacons?

William G. Cocke, William L. Ridout. 2.

Ques. 9. What traveling preachers are ordained deacons?

William G. Cocke, William L. Ridout. 2.

Ques. 10. What local preachers are elected deacons?

John Goss, William A. Hudson, William C. Harroll. 3.

Ques. 11. What local preachers are ordained deacons?

John Goss, William C. Harroll. 2.

Ques. 12. What traveling preachers are elected elders?

James H. Tucker, Alejo Hernandez. 2.

Ques. 13. What traveling preachers are ordained elders?

James H. Tucker. 1.

Ques. 14. What local preachers are elected elders?

Thomas W. Glass. 1.

Ques. 15. What local preachers are ordained elders?

None.

Ques. 16. Who are located this year?

John L. Harper, Cyrus M. Carpenter. 2.

Ques. 17. Who are supernumerary?

None.

Ques. 18. Who are superannuated?

Jesse Hord, Thomas Myers, A. B. Duval, R. M. Leaton, Roswell Gillett. 5.

Ques. 19. What preachers have died during the past year?

None.

Ques. 20. Are all the preachers blameless in their life and official administration?

Their names were called over, one by one, and their characters examined and passed.

Ques. 21. What is the number of local preachers and members in the several circuits, stations, and missions of the Conference?

San Antonio District.

	White Mem's.	Col'd Mem's.	Loc'l Pr's.
San Antonio Station	52	.....	1
Sutherland Springs Circuit.....	127	.....	2
Cibolo Circuit	100	.....	.....
Medina Mission.....	159	1	1
Uvalde Circuit.....	95	.....	2
Kerrville Circuit.....	156	.....	2
Leesburg Circuit.....	209	.....	1
Helena Circuit	115	30	1
	1013	31	10

San Marcos District.

	White Mem's.	Col'd Mem's.	Loc'l Pr's.
San Marcos Station.....	226	.....	2
San Marcos Circuit.....	280	.....	4
Lockhart and Prairie Lea Circuit....	380	.....	5
Seguin Station.....	149	.....	2
Gonzales Mission	237	.....	4
Blanco Mission.....	208	.....	3
Hallettsville Circuit.....	247	.....	2
	1727	.....	22

Victoria District.

	White Mem's.	Col'd Mem's.	Loc'l Pr's.
Goliad Circuit.....	97	.....	1
Sandeis Circuit.....	94	.....	2
Clinton Circuit	102	.....	3
Victoria Mission Station	37	.....	.....
Texana Circuit.....	175	.....	1
Concrete Circuit.....	237	.....	.....
	736	.....	7

Corpus Christi District.

	White Mem's.	Col'd Mem's.	Loc'l Pr's.
Corpus Christi Station.....	90	.....	.....
Rockport Station.....	70	6	3
St. Mary's Circuit.....	55	.....	1
Beeville Circuit	83	.....	1
Nueces River Mission.....	50	.....	.....
Oakville Circuit.....	35	.....	.....
	383	6	5

Recapitulation.

	White Mem's.	Col'd Mem's.	Loc'l Pr's.
San Antonio District.....	1013	31	10
San Marcos	1727	.....	22
Victoria	736	.....	7
Corpus Christi	383	6	5
Total this year.....	3859	37	44
Total last year	3561	.....	38
Increase	298	37	6

Ques. 22. How many infants have been baptized during the year?

216.

Ques. 23. How many adults have been baptized during the year?

197.

Ques. 24. What is the number of Sunday-schools?

47.

Ques. 25. What is the number of Sunday-school teachers?

304.

Ques. 26. What is the number of Sunday-school scholars?

1621.

Ques. 27. What amount is necessary for the superannuated preachers, and the widows and orphans of preachers?

\$800.

Ques. 28. What has been collected on the foregoing account, and how has it been applied? Collected, \$497 45. Distributed among the claimants.

Ques. 29. What has been contributed for missions?

\$979 47.

Ques. 30. Where shall the next session of the Conference be held?

At Gonzales, Texas.

Ques. 31. Where are the preachers stationed this year?

SAN ANTONIO DISTRICT.

Adley A. Killough, P. E.

San Antonio Station, H. G. Horton.
Cibolo Circuit, John W. DeVilbiss.
Sutherland Springs Circuit, W. T. Thornberry.
Medina Circuit, Temple G. Wools.
Uvalde Circuit, William C. Kingsbury.
Kerrville Circuit, William L. Ridout.
San Felipe Mission, to be supplied.
Bandera Mission, to be supplied.

SAN MARCOS DISTRICT.

William J. Joyce, P. E.

San Marcos Station, O. A. Fisher.
San Marcos Circuit, J. W. Vest.
Lockhart and Prairie Lea Circuit, C. M. Rogers.
Seguin Station, B. Harris.
Gonzales Circuit, John B. Denton.
Blanco Circuit, E. Y. Seale.

Mountain City Circuit, William M. Crow.
Thompsonville Circuit, James W. Brown.

VICTORIA DISTRICT.

J. G. Walker, P. E.

Victoria, to be supplied.
Goliad Station, James H. Tucker.
Leesburg Circuit, A. F. Cox.
Clinton Circuit, J. W. Cooley.
Concrete Circuit, H. A. Graves.
Hallettsville Circuit, Mark A. Black.
Texana Circuit, J. F. Cook, E. G. Duval.
Sandeis Circuit, Thomas R. Atkins.
Yorktown Circuit, C. R. Shapard.

CORPUS CHRISTI DISTRICT.

J. S. Gillett, P. E.

Corpus Christi Station, Thomas T. Smothers.
St. Mary's Circuit, J. E. Vernor.
Rockport Circuit, A. H. Sutherland.
Beeville Circuit, J. C. C. Black.
Oakville Circuit, N. W. Kieth.
Helena Circuit, Jefferson J. Honeycutt.
Nueces River Mission, William G. Cocks.

32.—LOS ANGELES CONFERENCE.

HELD AT SAN BERNARDINO, *October 23-27, 1873.*

BISHOP DOGGETT, *President*; ABRAM ADAMS, *Secretary*.

QUESTION 1. Who are admitted on trial?

ANSWER. None.

Ques. 2. Who remain on trial?

Alonzo M. Campbell, Jesse D. Franklin,
Isaac G. Parks, Franklin McKean. 4.

Ques. 3. Who are discontinued?

Richard G. Franklin. 1.

Ques. 4. Who are admitted into full connection?

Charles W. Harris. 1.

Ques. 5. Who are readmitted?

Thomas Brown. 1.

Ques. 6. Who are received by transfer from other Conferences?

A. M. Campbell, I. G. Parks. 2.

Ques. 7. Who are the deacons of one year?

A. M. Campbell, I. G. Parks, Charles W. Harris. 3.

Ques. 8. What traveling preachers are elected deacons?

I. G. Parks, Charles W. Harris. 2.

Ques. 9. What traveling preachers are ordained deacons?

I. G. Parks, Charles W. Harris. 2.

Ques. 10. What local preachers are elected deacons?

None.

Ques. 11. What local preachers are ordained deacons?

None.

Ques. 12. What traveling preachers are elected elders?

John W. Allen. 1.

Ques. 13. What traveling preachers are ordained elders?

John W. Allen. 1.

Ques. 14. What local preachers are elected elders?

None.

Ques. 15. What local preachers are ordained elders?

None.

Ques. 16. Who are located this year?

None.

Ques. 17. Who are supernumerary?

None.

Ques. 18. Who are superannuated?

None.

Ques. 19. What preachers have died during the past year?

None.

Ques. 20. Are all the preachers blameless in their life and official administration?

Their names were called over, one by one, and their characters examined and passed.

Ques. 21. What is the number of local preachers and members in the several circuits, stations, and missions of the Conference?

Los Angeles District.

	White Mem's.	Col'd Mem's.	Loc'l Pr's.
Los Angeles Station.....	22	.....	.....
Los Angeles Circuit.....	8	.....	2
Los Nietos Station.....	205	.....	5
New River Circuit.....	30	.....	1
El Monte Circuit.....	53	.....	1
Santa Anna Circuit.....	116	.....	2
San Bernardino Station.....	43	.....	.....
San Bernardino Circuit.....	5	.....	.....
Milquatay.....	50	.....	1
San Diego (no report).....	.....	.....	.....
Arizona Mission.....	17	.....	.....
	608	.....	12

Santa Barbara District.

Santa Barbara Circuit.....	38	.....	1
Santa Clara Circuit.....	37	.....	.....
San Luis Obispo Circuit.....	56	.....	1
Tehachapie Circuit.....	30	.....	1
Havilah (no report).....	.....	.....	.....
	161	.....	3

Recapitulation.

Los Angeles District.....	608	.....	12
Santa Barbara ".....	161	.....	3
Total this year.....	769	.....	15
Total last year.....	735	.....	15
Increase.....	34	.....	.....
Decrease.....	.....	.....	5

Ques. 22. How many infants have been baptized during the year?
48.

Ques. 23. How many adults have been baptized during the year?
32.

Ques. 24. What is the number of Sunday-schools?
11.

Ques. 25. What is the number of Sunday-school teachers?
71.

Ques. 26. What is the number of Sunday-school scholars?
483.

Ques. 27. What amount is necessary for the superannuated preachers, and the widows and orphans of preachers?
No assessment.

Ques. 28. What has been collected on the foregoing account, and how has it been applied?
Collected, \$132 75. Applied to the support of Sister Mary Cox.

Ques. 29. What has been contributed for missions?
\$350 15.

Ques. 30. Where shall the next session of the Conference be held?
At Carpentaria, California.

Ques. 31. Where are the preachers stationed this year?

LOS ANGELES DISTRICT.

William Moores, P. E.

Los Angeles Station, D. M. Campbell.
Los Angeles Circuit, S. M. Adams.
New River Circuit, P. O. Clayton.
Los Nietos Station, A. Adams.
El Monte Circuit, D. M. Rice.
Santa Anna Circuit, J. E. Miller.
San Bernardino Station, G. E. Butler.
San Bernardino Circuit, M. W. Glover.
San Diego Station, to be supplied.
Julian Circuit, John W. Allen.
Wilmington Station, W. A. Spurlock.
Wilmington Institute, W. A. Spurlock, Agent.
Los Nietos Institute, A. Adams, Agent.

SANTA BARBARA DISTRICT.

John W. Leach, P. E.

Santa Barbara Station, to be supplied.
Carpenteria Circuit, R. A. Latimer.
San Buenaventura Circuit, to be supplied.
Santa Clara Circuit, Thomas Brown.
Santa Maria Circuit, to be supplied (by W. F. Halse).
San Luis Obispo Circuit, I. G. Parks.
Tehachapie Circuit, C. W. Harris.
Havilah Circuit, to be supplied.
Owen's River Circuit, Franklin McKean.
Sunday-school Agent, Jesse D. Franklin.

ARIZONA DISTRICT.

Alexander Groves, P. E.

Salt River Circuit, to be supplied (by A. B. Gill).
Prescott Circuit, to be supplied.

33.—PACIFIC CONFERENCE.

HELD AT COLUSA, CALIFORNIA, *October 8-14, 1873.*BISHOP DOGGETT, *President*; E. K. MILLER, *Secretary*.

QUESTION 1. Who are admitted on trial?

ANSWER. C. C. Snell, Thomas B. Birkett. 2.

Ques. 2. Who remain on trial?

William H. Howard, R. F. Allen, John F. Campbell. 3.

Ques. 3. Who are discontinued?

None.

Ques. 4. Who are admitted into full connection?

John Anderson. 1.

Ques. 5. Who are readmitted?

B. H. Russell, George W. Fleming. 2.

Ques. 6. Who are received by transfer from other Conferences?

Richard Pratt, from the North Mississippi Conference; J. M. Lovell, from the Columbia Conference; Eli H. Robertson (elder), from the Kansas Conference, M. E. Church, North. 3.

Ques. 7. Who are the deacons of one year?

John Wood. 1.

Ques. 8. What traveling preachers are elected deacons?

None.

Ques. 9. What traveling preachers are ordained deacons?

None.

Ques. 10. What local preachers are elected deacons?

Christian J. Pickle, John Esrey. 2.

Ques. 11. What local preachers are ordained deacons?

None.

Ques. 12. What traveling preachers are elected elders?

John F. Campbell. 1.

Ques. 13. What traveling preachers are ordained elders?

John F. Campbell. 1.

Ques. 14. What local preachers are elected elders?

George Hatcher, C. C. Snell. 2.

Ques. 15. What local preachers are ordained elders?

George Hatcher, C. C. Snell. 2.

Ques. 16. Who are located this year?

Jesse Wood, J. P. Jones. 2.

Ques. 17. Who are supernumerary?

John Anderson. 1.

Ques. 18. Who are superannuated?

James L. Porter, T. H. B. Anderson, B. C. Howard. 3.

Ques. 19. What preachers have died during the past year?

Thomas K. Howell, Asbury P. Black. 2.

THOMAS KNIGHT HOWELL was born, in Pope county, Ark., Sept. 17, 1843, and died, in Copperopolis, Cal., Dec. 3, 1872—passing away in the prime of his manhood and in the morning of his usefulness; unbuckling and laying aside his armor while still eager for the fight. In early life he evinced the most ardent desire to be a Christian, and to hold actual communion with God in prayer. Laying aside a formula that he could not understand for a simple petition that expressed the desire of his heart, he prayed fervently, "O Lord, make me a good boy; help me to obey my mother; and when I get to be a man make me a good Christian." God heard and answered this petition at its first offering. When about sixteen years of age he became deeply concerned about his soul's salvation, and night and day he wrestled with God for the evidence of his acceptance with him; and, while raking hay in his father's field, God did let in the sunlight of his smile, and thrilled him with the consciousness of pardon. With this blessing came the call to work for Jesus. At once he began to cast about in his mind as to how he could best fulfill the will of God. To fit himself for the work he felt that he must first secure an education. He entered Pacific Methodist College, and, after encompassing all the course prescribed in that institution, graduated in the year 1867. He was soon called to a chair in the Visalia Seminary, which he filled, to the entire satisfaction of all concerned, for the space of three years. In the autumn of 1870 he was admitted on trial into the Pacific Annual Conference, and sent to Visalia Station, where he labored with great acceptability among the people with whom he had lived the three previous years. In 1871 he was sent to Vacaville Circuit, winning all hearts by his zeal for his Master and by his diligent labor to build up his cause and kingdom. Here he had spent his college-life, and so uniform and consistent had been that life that it only opened his way for usefulness among the people. At our last Conference he was appointed to Petaluma Station. The first

Sabbath after Conference he spent in his new charge, preaching with great acceptability. He then returned to Vacaville to wind up his affairs in that circuit, and went to Copperopolis to visit his parents, when he was stricken down by sickness. The attending physician pronounced the disease intermittent congestive fever, accompanied with hemorrhage of the lungs. All were anxious and alarmed except himself; like a true soldier, he was "tranquil amid alarms," and calmly arranged all his worldly affairs, and quietly awaited the approach of the destroyer. He said, "My trust is in God; I have trusted him in life—I will trust him in death; the Lord is able to give life to the dead." And again, "I have to do all the Lord wills. I only wish to live to work for him." During his entire sickness, whether delirious or in the possession of all his faculties, he talked of nothing but the Church and its interests. The zeal of God's house had consumed him. As his end approached there was such a hallowed influence in the room where he lay that all who entered felt it. Just before he breathed his last he exclaimed, in the rapture of the moment, "Jesus, precious Jesus! My race is almost run. I have followed Jesus faithfully. I shall soon be in heaven. God bless you all!" Listening, his dying ear caught the sound of heavenly choristers, and he cried, "Do you hear the singing of that band of angels?" About an hour before the departure of his happy spirit he raised his feeble voice and sang two stanzas of the hymn, "There is a fountain filled with blood." Then, clasping the imaginary hand of a brother minister, he stepped into the heavenly chariot and left us for glory.

ASBURY PARKS BLACK was born, in Cherokee county, Ga., Nov. 8, 1842, and died, in Tuolumne county, Cal., March 3, 1873. His was another example of early piety. He joined the Church at the age of nine, but was not converted until in his thirteenth year. He was a sweet-spirited child, always obedient to his parents, and by a most affectionate disposition endearing himself to all. The foundation of his religious character was laid deep and strong. He was engaged in teaching when the late war between the States occurred. He was then but nineteen years of age. Promptly closing his school, he enlisted as a soldier; and, although so young, his virtues were so much appreciated that he was placed in various positions of trust and responsibility. But amid all the excitement, turmoil, and temptation of that awful period he never forgot that he was a soldier of Jesus Christ, nor that his first allegiance was to him. His Bible was his constant companion, and night and morning, in his tent, he read its sacred words of comfort and consolation. In the year 1866 he was licensed to preach by the Quarterly Conference of Calhoun Circuit, North Georgia Conference. Here he labored as a local preacher for several years; and the high esteem in which he was held is indicated in the fact that when the news

of his death reached his old home a special funeral-service was held in memory of him. In 1869 he came to California, and located in the bounds of the Millerton Circuit. The following year he was recommended to the Pacific Annual Conference by this circuit, and admitted on trial by that body at the same time with Brother Howell. He first labored on the Stockton Circuit. Though in feeble health, he worked with great zeal and faithfulness, leaving the impression upon both saint and sinner that he was a good man—one man (a foreigner) remarking, "I think he is the best man I ever saw; if all preachers were as pious, earnest, and faithful as he is, they would convert the world." In 1871 he was sent to the Sonora Circuit. Here he soon won all hearts, working diligently and prayerfully for his Master. His labors at the close of the year culminated in a glorious revival of religion. Although the people of the Sonora Circuit felt that his health was hopelessly gone, yet they desired his return to them the next year; accordingly, he was sent again to that work. He preached but five sermons after Conference, when he turned his steps to the little parsonage that an affectionate people had fitted up for him, to await the end. For two long months, or more, he had to wait and suffer the will of his divine Master. During this period of waiting he talked to all who came to see him, impressing them with the fact that it was good to trust the Saviour and be resigned to his will. On one occasion, seeing his wife weeping, he raised his feeble voice and sung, "Weep not for me when I am gone." When the final hour came, he called his wife and children to his bedside, pronounced a blessing upon them, and, with the expression "Blessed Jesus!" upon his lips, calmly entered the presence of angels and of God.

Ques. 20. Are all the preachers blameless in their life and official administration?

Their names were called over, one by one, and their characters examined and passed, except Ira Taylor, whose case was referred to the Presiding Elder of Santa Rosa District.

Ques. 21. What is the number of local preachers and members in the several circuits, stations, and missions of the Conference?

San Francisco District.

	White Mem's	Col'd Mem's	Loc'l Pr's
San Francisco Station.....	70	1	1
Sacramento Station.....	49	.....	1
San Jose Station.....	105	.....	1
Hicksville Circuit.....	65	.....	.....
Woodbridge Circuit.....	77	.....	1
Stockton.....	21	.....	.....
Santa Clara Circuit*.....	120	1	2
Mountain View Circuit.....	50	.....	.....
Gilroy Station.....	100	.....	.....
Hollister Circuit.....	70	.....	1
Salinas City Circuit.....	91	.....	3
	818	2	10
*Indians.....	1		

Santa Rosa District.

	White Mem's.	Col'd Mem's.	Loc'l Pr's.
Santa Rosa Station.....	124	.....	2
Petaluma Station.....	51	.....	.....
Santa Rosa Circuit.....	117	.....	2
Healdsburg Circuit.....	121	.....	2
Ukiah Circuit.....	181	.....	4
Cloverdale Station.....	55	.....	1
Clear Lake Circuit.....	60	.....	2
Suisun Circuit.....	72	.....	.....
Vacaville Circuit.....	48	.....	.....
Dixon Circuit.....	40	.....	.....
Little Lake Circuit.....	87	.....	1
	956	.....	14

Colusa District.

Colusa Station.....	86	.....	1
Colusa Circuit.....	40	.....	.....
Chico Station.....	55	.....	.....
Millville Circuit.....	102	.....	3
Princeton Circuit.....	43	.....	.....
Yuba City Circuit.....	124	.....	2
Wheatland Circuit.....	90	.....	2
Knight's Landing Circuit.....	70	.....	2
Tehama Circuit.....	14	.....	.....
Chico Circuit.....	27	.....	1
	651	.....	11
* Indians.....	2	.....	.....

Visalia District.

Visalia Circuit.....	118	.....	2
Tule River Circuit.....	76	.....	6
Millerton Circuit.....	222	1	9
Mariposa Circuit.....	77	1	1
Snellings Circuit.....	67	.....	.....
Modesto Circuit.....	85	.....	2
Plainsburg Circuit.....	51	.....	.....
Linden Circuit.....	139	.....	.....
Sonora Circuit.....	56	.....	2
	891	2	22

Recapitulation.

San Francisco District.....	818	2	10
Santa Rosa ".....	956	.....	14
Colusa ".....	651	.....	11
Visalia ".....	891	2	22
Total this year.....	3316	4	57
Total last year.....	3195	7	52
Increase—Indians, 3.....	121	.....	5
Decrease.....		3	.....

Ques. 22. How many infants have been baptized during the year?
174.

Ques. 23. How many adults have been baptized during the year?
175.

Ques. 24. What is the number of Sunday-schools?
65.

Ques. 25. What is the number of Sunday-school teachers?
397.

Ques. 26. What is the number of Sunday-school scholars?
2302.

Ques. 27. What amount is necessary for the superannuated preachers, and the widows and orphans of preachers?
\$800.

Ques. 28. What has been collected on the foregoing account, and how has it been applied? Collected, \$674 44. Applied to superannuated preachers, and widows and orphans of the Conference.

Ques. 29. What has been contributed for missions?
\$955 55.

Ques. 30. Where shall the next session of the Conference be held?
At Stockton, Cal.

Ques. 31. Where are the preachers stationed this year?

SAN FRANCISCO DISTRICT.

George Sim, P. E.

San Francisco Station, E. E. Hoss.
Sacramento Station, to be supplied.
Stockton Station, William H. Mason.
Hicksville Circuit, J. M. Overton.
Woodbridge Circuit, T. S. Burnet, T. R. Birkett.
San Jose Circuit, I. L. Hopkins.
Santa Clara Circuit, W. F. Compton.
Mountain View Circuit, to be supplied.
Gilroy Station, to be supplied.
Hollister Station, L. C. Renfro.
Tres Pinos Station, to be supplied (by A. Martin).
Salinas Station, J. M. Lovell.
Watsonville Circuit, to be supplied.
Gilroy High-school, W. A. Finley, Principal.

SANTA ROSA DISTRICT.

J. C. Simmons, P. E.

Santa Rosa Station, to be supplied, John Anderson, Sup.
Santa Rosa Circuit, J. C. Pendegrast.
Petaluma Station, S. W. Davies.
Healdsburg Circuit, B. F. Burris.
Cloverdale Circuit, G. W. Fleming.
Ukiah Circuit, L. D. Hargis.
Point Arenas Circuit, to be supplied.
Little Lake Circuit, to be supplied.
Lakeport Circuit, John Wood.
Callistoga Circuit, to be supplied.
Suisun Circuit, S. Brown.
Vacaville Circuit, R. F. Allen.
Dixon Circuit, John M. Ward.
Humboldt Circuit, to be supplied.
Pacific Methodist College, O. P. Fitzgerald, Agent.

COLUSA DISTRICT.

T. C. Barton, P. E.

Colusa Station, E. K. Miller.
Colusa Circuit, Eli H. Robertson.
Chico Station, Richard Pratt.
Chico Circuit, W. H. Howard.
Princeton Circuit, B. H. Russell.
Millville Circuit, J. W. Craig.
Yuba City Circuit, J. M. Alsanon.
Wheatland Circuit, J. Kelsay.
Knight's Landing Circuit, J. Grawell.
Tehama Circuit, J. K. P. Price.

VISALIA DISTRICT.

J. H. Neal, P. E.

Visalia Circuit, L. Cately.
 Tulé River Circuit, to be supplied (by T. A. Miller).
 Kingston Circuit, J. F. Campbell.
 Millerton Circuit, L. J. Hedgpeth.

Mariposa Circuit, Thomas D. Clanton.
 Snellings Circuit, J. Hedgpeth.
 Modesto Circuit, J. G. Shelton.
 Linden Circuit, F. M. Staton.
 Sonoro Circuit, W. M. Winters.
 Merced Circuit, G. M. Edwards.
 Chowchilla Circuit, C. C. Snell.
 Amador Circuit, to be supplied.

34.—COLUMBIA CONFERENCE.

HELD AT BROWNSVILLE, OREGON, *September 3-8, 1873.*BISHOP DOGGETT, *President*; JOSEPH EMERY, *Secretary*.

- QUESTION 1. Who are admitted on trial?
 ANSWER. None.
- Ques. 2. Who remain on trial?
 None.
- Ques. 3. Who are discontinued?
 None.
- Ques. 4. Who are admitted into full connection?
 Ferdinand W. D. Mays. 1.
- Ques. 5. Who are readmitted?
 None.
- Ques. 6. Who are received by transfer from other Conferences?
 Ferdinand W. D. Mays. 1.
- Ques. 7. Who are the deacons of one year?
 E. G. Michael. 1.
- Ques. 8. What traveling preachers are elected deacons?
 Ferdinand W. D. Mays. 1.
- Ques. 9. What traveling preachers are ordained deacons?
 Ferdinand W. D. Mays. 1.
- Ques. 10. What local preachers are elected deacons?
 John Wallen. 1.
- Ques. 11. What local preachers are ordained deacons?
 None.
- Ques. 12. What traveling preachers are elected elders?
 None.
- Ques. 13. What traveling preachers are ordained elders?
 None.
- Ques. 14. What local preachers are elected elders?
 None.
- Ques. 15. What local preachers are ordained elders?
 None.
- Ques. 16. Who are located this year?
 R. T. Weatherly. 1.
- Ques. 17. Who are supernumerary?
 None.
- Ques. 18. Who are superannuated?
 None.
- Ques. 19. What preachers have died during the past year?
 Grandison Curtis. 1.
- GRANDISON CURTIS was born, in Ohio, July 22, 1818; died near La Grande, Union county, Oregon, Jan. 21, 1873. In early life he made a profession of religion and joined the Baptist Church. In 1850 he came to the Pacific Coast, and, like too many others, in his search for gold he lost his religion. In 1862, under the ministry of the Rev. R. C. Martin, he was reclaimed, and joined the M. E. Church, South. As soon as his probation expired he was licensed to preach. In 1869 he was employed under the Presiding Elder of the Umattilla District to travel the Grande Ronde Circuit; 1870 he traveled the Powder River Circuit. He was admitted on trial in the Columbia Conference in Sept., 1871, and ordained deacon by Bishop Keener. He was appointed to the Grande Ronde Circuit. In Aug., 1872, he was appointed to the Boise and Powder River Circuit. He was detained from his work by severe sickness; after partially recovering he started to his work in December, was overtaken by a severe snow-storm, took cold and died of typhoid pneumonia. Brother Curtis was a man of deep and consistent piety. As a preacher, he was noted for his great earnestness and devotion to his calling. His death was triumphant.
- Ques. 20. Are all the preachers blameless in their life and official administration?
 Their names were called over, one by one, and their characters examined and passed.

Ques. 21. What is the number of local preachers and members in the several circuits, stations, and missions of the Conference?

Umatilla District.

	White Mem's.	Col'd Mem's.	Loc'l Pr's.
Powder River Circuit.....	48	.....	1
Grande Ronde Mission.....	31	.....	.....
Boise and Payette Circuit.....	19	.....	.....
Walla Walla Circuit.....	53	.....	.....
Umatilla and Willow Creek.....	15	.....	.....
	166	.....	1

Willamette District.

	White Mem's.	Col'd Mem's.	Loc'l Pr's.
Dallas Circuit.....	143	.....	2
Corvallis Station.....	48	.....	1
Brownsville Circuit.....	72	.....	.....
Albany Circuit.....	71	.....	1
Junction City Circuit.....	75	.....	1
Salem Mission.....	22	.....	.....
La Fayette and Tillimook.....	125	.....	4
Oregon City Circuit.....	132	.....	2
	688	.....	11

Jacksonville District.

	White Mem's.	Col'd Mem's.	Loc'l Pr's.
Jacksonville Circuit.....	70	.....	1
Roseburg Circuit.....	120	.....	5
Coast Fork Mission.....	10	.....	.....
	200	.....	6

Recapitulation.

	White Mem's.	Col'd Mem's.	Loc'l Pr's.
Umatilla District.....	166	.....	1
Willamette ".....	688	.....	11
Jacksonville ".....	200	.....	6
Total this year.....	1054	.....	18
Total last year.....	1048	.....	14
Increase.....	6	.....	4

Ques. 22. How many infants have been baptized during the year?
41.

Ques. 23. How many adults have been baptized during the year?
66.

Ques. 24. What is the number of Sunday-schools?
7.

Ques. 25. What is the number of Sunday-school teachers?
49.

Ques. 26. What is the number of Sunday-school scholars?
290.

Ques. 27. What amount is necessary for the superannuated preachers, and the widows and orphans of preachers?
No answer.

Ques. 28. What has been collected on the foregoing account, and how has it been applied?
No answer.

Ques. 29. What has been contributed for missions?
\$307 30.

Ques. 30. Where shall the next session of the Conference be held?
At Salem, Oregon.

Ques. 31. Where are the preachers stationed this year?

UMATILLA DISTRICT.

B. R. Johnson, P. E.

Walla Walla Circuit, B. R. Johnson.
Powder River and Grande Ronde, C. H. E. Newton.

Boise and Payette Circuit, to be supplied.
Umatilla Meadows, to be supplied.

WILLAMETTE DISTRICT.

Thomas B. White, P. E.

Corvallis Station, B. R. Baxter.
Dallas Circuit, to be supplied.
Junction City Circuit, E. G. Michael.
La Fayette and Tillimook, F. W. D. Mays.
Salem Station, E. G. Dawne.
Oregon City Circuit, to be supplied.
Lebanon Circuit, D. C. McFarland.
Albany Station, to be supplied.
Brownsville Circuit, J. W. Craig.
Corvallis College, Joseph Emery, Professor;
A. E. Sears, Agent.

JACKSONVILLE DISTRICT.

J. W. Stahl, P. E.

Jacksonville Circuit, J. W. Stahl.
Roseburg Circuit, R. C. Oglesby.
Oakland Circuit, to be supplied.
Josephine Circuit, to be supplied.

J. M. Lovell transferred to Pacific Conference.

35.—ILLINOIS CONFERENCE.

HELD AT PANA, ILLINOIS, *September 3-8, 1873.*

BISHOP MARVIN, *President*; COLIN MURCHISON, *Secretary.*

QUESTION 1. Who are admitted on trial?
 ANSWER. James A. Garrison, Charles T. McAnally, James W. Moss, John Y. Buzby, Nelson Auld. 5.

Ques. 2. Who remain on trial?
 Alexander W. Smith, William A. Cross, Thomas M. Prickett, James A. Greening, Geo. Knispel, Enoch C. Harper. 6.

Ques. 3. Who are discontinued?
 Abel P. Drake, Melancthon Crews, A. W. Sites. 3.

Ques. 4. Who are admitted into full connection?
 Annis Merrill, William H. White, John A. Stephenson, Hiram G. Halcomb, John F. Hensley, John H. Threlkeld. 6.

Ques. 5. Who are readmitted?
 James D. Charles. 1.

Ques. 6. Who are received by transfer from other Conferences?
 William John Bullivant, R. F. Hays, Enoch C. Harper. 3.

Ques. 7. Who are the deacons of one year?
 Randolph P. Jones, Andrew D. Hocker. 2.

Ques. 8. What traveling preachers are elected deacons?
 John H. Threlkeld, Enoch C. Harper, John F. Robb, Alexander W. Smith. 4.

Ques. 9. What traveling preachers are ordained deacons?
 John H. Threlkeld, Enoch C. Harper, John F. Robb, Alexander W. Smith. 4.

Ques. 10. What local preachers are elected deacons?
 John W. Thompson, James J. Williams, Amos Emerson, Charles T. Tate. 4.

Ques. 11. What local preachers are ordained deacons?
 John W. Thompson, James J. Williams, Amos Emerson. 3.

Ques. 12. What traveling preachers are elected elders?
 George T. Nichols, William L. Corbin. 2.

Ques. 13. What traveling preachers are ordained elders?
 George T. Nichols, William L. Corbin. 2.

Ques. 14. What local preachers are elected elders?
 James D. Charles. 1.

Ques. 15. What local preachers are ordained elders?
 James D. Charles, John Smith. 2.

Ques. 16. Who are located this year?
 None.

Ques. 17. Who are supernumerary?
 Joseph Howard, Thomas D. Deeds. 2.

Ques. 18. Who are superannuated?
 William C. Blundell, James D. Gray. 2.

Ques. 19. What preachers have died during the past year?
 None.

Ques. 20. Are all the preachers blameless in their life and official administration?
 Their names were called over, one by one, and their characters examined and passed, except Richard Gillespie, who had left his work early in the year, and the Conference not knowing any thing of him, ordered his name to be stricken from the roll.

Ques. 21. What is the number of local preachers and members in the several circuits, stations, and missions of the Conference?

Canton District.

	White Mem's.	Col'd Mem's.	Loc'l Pr's.
Canton Station	55	.....	.....
Lewistown Station.....	45	.....	1
Lewistown Circuit.....	93	.....	1
Cuba Circuit.....	35	.....	1
Midway Circuit.....	86	.....	2
Ottawa Circuit.....	22	.....	.....
Heyworth Circuit.....	39	.....	.....
Clinton Circuit.....	158	.....	1
Springfield Circuit.....	22	.....	.....
	555	.....	6

Pana District.

Jacksonville Station.....	19	.....	1
Waverly Circuit.....	155	.....	2
Barr's Store Circuit.....	80	.....	1
Girard Circuit.....	120	.....	.....
Pana and Shady Grove.....	80	.....	.....
Pana Circuit.....	80	.....	1
Selbyville Circuit.....	.....	.....	.....
New Douglass Circuit.....	218	.....	2
Warden Circuit.....	70	.....	1
Shoal Creek Circuit.....	78	.....	2
	900	.....	10

Salem District.

	White Mem's.	Col'd Mem's.	Loc'l Pr's.
Salem and Iuka Station.....	.....	.....	.....
Salem Circuit.....	128	.....	4
Kinmundy Station.....	146	.....	1
Rome Circuit.....	290	.....	7
Xenia Circuit.....	226	.....	2
Fairfield Circuit.....	148	.....	3
Montrose Circuit.....	89	.....	1
Clay City Circuit.....	201	.....	4
Altamont Circuit.....	220	.....	4
Patoka Circuit.....	272	.....	1
Okaw Mission.....	6	.....	.....
Martinsville Circuit.....	57	.....	2
	1783	.....	29

Ashley District.

Murphysboro Circuit.....	118	.....	1
Pulaski Circuit.....	38	.....	2
De Soto Circuit.....	95	.....	.....
Marion Circuit.....	161	.....	4
Chester Circuit.....	120	.....	.....
Ashley Station.....	75	.....	2
Nashville and Wesley Chapel.....	179	.....	1
Mount Vernon Circuit.....	155	.....	1
McLeansboro Circuit.....	347	.....	4
Equality Circuit.....	96	.....	1
Verandah Circuit.....	59	.....	.....
Paradise Circuit.....	110	.....	1
Columbia Station.....	35	.....	1
	1588	.....	18

Rushville District.

Rushville Circuit.....	122	.....	1
Camden Circuit.....	125	.....	1
Mount Sterling Circuit.....	161	.....	.....
Washington Circuit.....	85	.....	2
Pittsfield and Detroit.....	40	.....	.....
Warsaw and Hebron Circuit.....	62	.....	.....
La Prairie Circuit.....	78	.....	.....
Carthage Mission.....	8	.....	.....
	681	.....	4

Recapitulation.

Canton District.....	555	.....	6
Pana ".....	900	.....	10
Salem ".....	1783	.....	29
Ashley ".....	1588	.....	18
Rushville ".....	681	.....	4
Total this year.....	5507	.....	67
Total last year.....	5671	.....	66
Increase.....	.....	.....	1
Decrease.....	164	.....	.....

Ques. 22. How many infants have been baptized during the year?
208.

Ques. 23. How many adults have been baptized during the year?
300.

Ques. 24. What is the number of Sunday-schools?
77.

Ques. 25. What is the number of Sunday-school teachers?
526.

Ques. 26. What is the number of Sunday-school scholars?
3595.

Ques. 27. What amount is necessary for the superannuated preachers, and the widows and orphans of preachers?
\$200.

Ques. 28. What has been collected on the foregoing account, and how has it been applied?
Collected, \$190 00

Applied as follows:
Widow of W. P. Nance, \$100 00
Widow of W. Finley, 90 00

Ques. 29. What has been contributed for missions?
\$426 86.

Ques. 30. Where shall the next session of the Conference be held?
At Murphysboro, Illinois.

Ques. 31. Where are the preachers stationed this year?

CANTON DISTRICT.

A. F. Rogers, P. E.

Canton Station, W. B. Johnsey.
Midway and Cuba, Enoch C. Harper.
Maritta Mission, to be supplied.
Ottawa Circuit, William J. Bullivant.
Rushville Circuit, William Beagle.
Camden Circuit, James A. Greening.
Mount Sterling Circuit, Thomas A. Scruggs.
Pittsfield Circuit, Samuel Myers.
Barr's Mission, to be supplied.
Warsaw and Hebron Circuit, R. P. Holt.
La Prairie Circuit, James A. Garrison.
Carthage Mission, to be supplied.

PANA DISTRICT.

R. B. Hester, P. E.

Jacksonville Station, J. A. Beagle.
Waverly Circuit, James D. Charles.
Sullivan Circuit, Daniel McKinney.
Girard Circuit, to be supplied.
Pana Station, Jos. B. Harris.
Pana Circuit, to be supplied (by H. Rice).
New Douglass Circuit, J. W. Nicodemus.
Shoal Creek Circuit, W. B. Lewellin.
Litchfield Station, N. P. Halsey.
Clin Circuit, W. R. Howard, one to be supplied, Jos. Howard, Sup.
Heyworth Mission, A. D. Hocker.
Springfield Mission, J. H. Threlkeld.
Lewistown Station, Colin Murchison.
Lewistown Circuit, Annis Merrill.

SALEM DISTRICT.

Tyra B. Harbin, P. E.

Salem Circuit, G. P. Nichols, T. D. Deeds, Sup.
Kinmundy Circuit, R. F. Hays.
Rome Circuit, J. F. Robb.
Xenia Circuit, T. M. Prickett.
Fairfield Circuit, John F. Hensley.
Montrose Circuit, to be supplied.
Clay City Circuit, John L. Branstetter.
Altamont Circuit, George Knispel.
Effingham Station, C. T. McAnally.
Patoka Circuit, H. G. Halcomb.
Martinsville Circuit, J. Y. Buzby.
Mount Vernon Circuit, R. P. Jones.

ASHLEY DISTRICT.

J. W. Wescott, P. E.

Murphysboro Circuit, T. M. Ragsdale.
 De Soto Circuit, W. H. White.
 Marion Circuit, John A. Stephenson.
 Chester Circuit, Housen Duckworth.
 Ashley Circuit, A. W. Smith.
 Nashville Circuit, A. L. Davis.
 McLeansboro Circuit, W. L. Corbin.
 Equality Circuit, J. W. Moss.
 Golconda Mission, Nelson Auld.
 Pulaski Mission, W. A. Cross.
 Columbia and Verandah, M. R. Gohagan.
 Paradise Circuit, to be supplied (by J. B. Saunders).

INDIANA MISSION DISTRICT.

T. C. Hawkins, P. E.

Waldron Circuit, to be supplied (by W. Hamlin).
 Galveston Circuit, to be supplied.
 Conference School, M. R. Jones, Agent.

T. R. Kendall and D. T. Sherman transferred to Missouri Conference.

T. L. Foster transferred to North Mississippi Conference.

Rumsey Smithson and Oscar Smithson transferred to Baltimore Conference.

GENERAL RECAPITULATION.

CONFERENCES.	Traveling Pr chrs.	Sup'd Pr chrs.	Local Pr chrs.	White Members.	Colored Members.	Indian Members.	Total M's and W's.	Increase.	Decrease.	Infants Baptized.	Adults Baptized.	Sunday-schools.	S. S. Teachers.	S. S. Scholars.	Collection for Conf. Cl'ns.	Collection for Missions.
1. Baltimore.....	173	9	100	23,451	63	37	23,786	325	.....	1204	806	396	3558	19,577	\$3975 00	\$4302 03
2. Virginia.....	160	10	181	44,574	599	.....	45,561	1341	.....	1158	2092	537	5698	29,981	5046 23	7571 12
3. Western Virginia.....	61	1	93	11,657	18	.....	11,830	264	.....	272	522	185	1816	7,157	639 99	860 47
4. Holston.....	145	7	291	35,205	171	129	35,948	1257	.....	1208	1940	418	2617	18,123	1188 74	3401 89
5. North Carolina.....	144	10	225	48,912	465	.....	49,766	651	.....	1755	2011	565	3718	25,717	4006 10	4522 60
6. South Carolina.....	143	10	118	36,432	645	.....	37,348	382	.....	1577	1414	443	2780	17,181	4745 50	4632 38
7. North Georgia.....	156	18	416	47,696	140	.....	48,426	1228	.....	1179	2802	499	3299	24,345	5908 00	7615 05
8. South Georgia.....	113	20	230	26,335	.....	.....	26,698	281	.....	762	1622	278	1724	11,201	3963 90	6218 70
9. Florida.....	46	7	80	7,167	20	.....	7,320	261	.....	392	298	95	513	3,008	927 26	1940 80
10. Alabama.....	120	16	216	27,751	104	.....	28,207	1513	.....	994	1888	300	2027	13,551	4152 35	4564 75
11. North Alabama.....	111	7	328	29,062	58	.....	29,556	1445	.....	931	2349	340	1659	13,712	1272 60	2509 65
12. Louisiana.....	75	9	91	12,535	179	.....	12,889	1510	.....	779	780	122	868	5,405	2128 50	2975 70
13. Mississippi.....	125	11	166	19,666	.....	.....	19,945	1608	.....	1116	1180	185	1184	7,319	1958 30	1847 80
14. North Mississippi.....	120	12	212	25,800	.....	.....	26,149	715	.....	806	1376	253	1259	9,541	1949 55	2594 80
15. Memphis.....	120	10	282	29,964	22	.....	30,376	1716	.....	748	1878	306	2117	15,291	2039 25	4785 55
16. Tennessee.....	174	6	340	39,645	47	.....	40,187	1056	.....	1000	2938	371	2223	18,945	2476 80	5505 75
17. Kentucky.....	101	6	119	19,502	129	.....	19,857	347	.....	329	1083	152	1187	8,041	1658 00	2762 93
18. Louisville.....	122	4	201	29,052	47	.....	29,426	527	.....	754	1313	193	1424	10,905	2147 90	4809 00
19. St. Louis.....	45	6	127	13,937	3	.....	14,172	508	109	384	254	101	620	4,640	1330 35	1807 63
20. West St. Louis.....	82	6	120	22,963	20	.....	23,209	848	.....	627	1260	248	1928	13,100	2174 60	4227 63
21. Missouri.....	120	6	120	22,963	.....	.....	23,067	245	.....	129	252	44	267	1,863	127 00	473 08
22. Western.....	44	.....	30	2,393	.....	.....	5,404	83	.....	324	286	25	501	3,585	.....	965 45
23. Indian Mission.....	17	3	73	221	477	4013	11,347	349	.....	315	706	90	501	3,586	220 00	504 00
24. Arkansas.....	55	1	150	11,119	22	.....	10,450	868	.....	341	744	79	392	2,858	750 50	1332 00
25. White River.....	53	1	95	10,294	7	.....	15,079	.....	204	629	966	134	857	5,653	1767 00	4178 65
26. Little Rock.....	70	6	168	14,827	8	.....	15,223	393	.....	504	914	110	651	5,244	1488 75	1118 65
27. Trinity.....	77	10	183	14,953	.....	.....	9,237	.....	26	439	710	74	368	3,751	1190 70	1317 00
28. East Texas.....	46	2	107	9,082	.....	.....	6,743	530	.....	404	227	78	548	3,486	1402 00	2362 72
29. Texas.....	61	7	84	6,400	191	.....	14,366	2677	.....	665	1103	87	618	4,390	1545 46	1545 46
30. North-west Texas.....	89	6	210	14,051	.....	.....	3,981	346	.....	216	197	47	304	1,483	497 45	979 47
31. West Texas.....	36	5	44	3,859	37	.....	803	23	.....	48	22	11	71	2,302	132 75	350 15
32. Los Angeles.....	19	3	15	769	4	.....	3,426	124	.....	174	175	65	397	2,302	674 44	955 65
33. Pacific.....	46	3	57	3,316	.....	.....	1,056	10	.....	41	66	7	49	290	.....	307 30
34. Columbia.....	13	18	18	1,054	.....	.....	5,628	.....	163	208	300	77	526	3,595	.....	426 86
35. Illinois.....	52	2	67	5,507	.....	.....	86	7	.....	4	4	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
China Mission.....	.....	.....	3	83	.....	.....	8	.....	1	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Bishops.....	8	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Total in 1873.....	3134	237	5344	659,677	3429	4779	676,600	22,944	503	22,755	37,454	7019	48,530	321,572	\$64,013 70	\$96,644 31
Total in 1872.....	3013	219	5134	637,526	3557	4710	634,159	.....	.....	22,784	39,355	6900	45,998	312,759	65,262 44	94,139 95
Increase.....	121	18	210	22,151	128	69	22,441	.....	.....	29	1,901	119	2,532	8,813	\$1,248 74	\$2,504 36
Decrease.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....

[There are defects in the Minutes of some of the Conferences, which the Editor vainly endeavored to supply. The reports of baptisms are very imperfect. The transferred preachers are reckoned with those of the Conferences to which they now belong. The preachers who were discontinued this year (49), and those who were located (52), are not counted; on the other hand, the preachers who were admitted on trial (273), and those who were readmitted (50), are counted among the traveling preachers, though many of them are also reckoned with the local preachers. The colored members, for the most part, have left our Connection for the Colored Methodist Episcopal Church in America, organized by our Bishops under the authority of the General Conference—they are reported in their own Minutes—hence the apparent decrease in that department.]

MEMOIR OF BISHOP EARLY.

[BISHOP EARLY died Nov. 5, 1873. We were going to prepare a memoir of the late venerable Bishop for the General Minutes, but we have been favored with the following excellent tribute to his memory by the Virginia Conference, of which he was so long an honored member, and we cannot do better than adopt it as the memoir.]

JOHN EARLY was born, in Bedford county, Va., Jan. 1, 1786, and died, in the city of Lynchburg, Va., on the morning of Nov. 5, 1873, aged eighty-seven years, ten months, and four days. He was converted April 22, 1804, under the ministry of the Rev. Stith Mead. His parents were Baptists, but he united with the Methodists, and gave early promise of his devotion to the Master's cause. "In 1806 he was licensed to preach. Among those who received the benefit of his first labors were the slaves of President Jefferson. He began his ministry by preaching the gospel to the poor, and doing the duty that lay next to him." After a few rounds on the Bedford Circuit, under the direction of the Presiding Elder, he was recommended for the work of the itinerant ministry, and admitted on trial into the Virginia Conference, Feb., 1807. The Conference embraced at that time a large portion of the State of North Carolina, and its session was held in Newbern. Then and there, with sixteen other young men, John Early was enrolled as a Methodist itinerant preacher. In 1809 he was admitted into full connection with the Conference and ordained deacon; after two years farther probation he was ordained elder. His appointments were: 1807, Cumberland Circuit, Richmond District, Archibald Alexander, John Early; 1808, Camden Circuit, Norfolk District, Benjamin Devany, John Early; 1809, Tar River Circuit, Newbern District; 1810, Caswell Circuit, Raleigh District; 1811-12, Greenville Circuit, Meherrin District. In each of the last four appointments there were also two preachers, but John Early's name stands first, showing that from the date of his deaconate he was put in charge of work. Bishop Asbury and Bishop McKendree perceived his administrative ability, and in 1813-14 he appears on the minutes as Presiding Elder of the Meherrin District, reaching from Richmond to Lynchburg. In 1815 he located—a step not uncommon in that day, whenever the care of a family came upon the preacher, and one necessitated by the inadequate support furnished by the Church. In 1821, however, he reappears as Presiding Elder of his old District, and continued such for three years. In this field of labor his zeal flamed out afresh,

and was crowned with abundant fruits. Great and gracious revivals succeeded each other on the various circuits, and hundreds of souls were converted. He describes it as "a time of unction generally." He was "like a general with his eye on the whole field, and pushing the battle all along the line." He not only wrought himself, but he energized other workers. He formed five branches of the Missionary Society, and projected four others, thus kindling the missionary spirit throughout his District. As a revelation of his own interest in and appreciation of the missionary work, we quote the following from his own language of that period: "Cold is the heart that takes no interest in the missionary cause, especially if it be found among the prophets. Let my right hand forget its cunning if I forget thee, O Jerusalem! Let my tongue cleave to the roof of my mouth if I prefer not Jerusalem above my chief joy." These words from his own pen reveal his spirit, and furnish the clew to his after zeal and wonderful success in the work of the ministry. On the Greenville Circuit he received five hundred members into the Church, and at the ever-memorable camp-meeting held at Prospect, in Prince Edward county, Va., it is said one thousand persons were converted. Weems, in his "Life of Washington," and who was present at the camp-meeting, makes special mention of its extraordinary power. From 1824 to 1826, inclusive, he was Conference Missionary; in 1827 one of three preachers on Bedford Circuit, and in 1828 he was left without appointment, at his own request. From 1829 to 1832 he was again at work as Presiding Elder. From 1833 to 1840, inclusive, he was agent for Randolph Macon College. He was one of a committee, in 1825, who drew up a report on education, out of which the college grew. He was for many years the president of its board of trustees. From 1841 to 1846 he again appears as Presiding Elder on the Lynchburg and Petersburg Districts. This brought him down to the first General Conference of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, held in Petersburg in 1846. In 1812, six years after his entrance into this Conference, he was sent as one of eleven delegates to the first delegated General Conference,

which convened in the city of New York. He was a member of the General Conferences of 1828-32-36-40-44. To his practical wisdom we owe what has been aptly termed "those time-saving and convenient institutions"—standing committees. The first General Conference of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, which convened in Petersburg in 1846, resolved to enterprise a Book Agency. The Northern Book Concern not having paid us our share, we were without money to start it. The demands of the Church for our publications, however, required the enterprise, and its inauguration required a man of superior tact, judgment, and capacity. Attention was at once directed to the Rev. John Early as the man needed, and he was accordingly elected. He opened his office in Richmond, and carried on the work successfully until 1854, when the Publishing House was established in Nashville. From this agency he passed into the episcopacy. At the General Conference which met in Columbus, Ga., in 1854, he was elected Bishop. For twelve years, from 1854 to 1866, he was actively engaged in the onerous duties of his episcopal office. At the General Conference of 1866, held in New Orleans, along with Bishops Soule and Andrew, he was voted a superannuated relation. It will thus be seen that he stood firmly at the post of active duty up to his eightieth year; nor did he then cease to work: as long as strength and opportunity afforded he went in and out among the churches, preaching the word and urging onward the hosts of our Israel. In 1866 he was severely hurt in a railroad accident, and for awhile it was feared he would die. The vigor of his constitution, however, triumphed, but left him greatly disabled. From that time onward to his death his physical forces gradually failed, and his public ministrations became less frequent. The opinion has often been expressed that but for the shock which his nervous system sustained by that accident he would probably have reached his one-hundredth year. His tenacity of purpose and resoluteness of will often sustained him when other signs prophesied imminent death. The weight of years and the repeated shocks of an old malady at last wore him down, and on the morning of Nov. 5, 1873, at a quarter to nine o'clock, he sweetly and calmly "fell on sleep," and passed away to the rewards of a well-spent life. For twelve months, or more, before his death he was unable to attend upon any of the public services of the Church; but through all his long confinement, and amid all its alternations of suffering and repose, he manifested wonderful cheerfulness, patience, and resignation. The secret of these was found in his abiding, unshaken faith in God. He never seemed for a moment to question either the wisdom or goodness of God in his dealings with him. As to death, he regarded his life-work as a preparation for it, and betrayed no fear of its approach. When he spoke of it it was with a calm composure, and when he looked beyond it it was often with the joyful anticipations of

assured victory and glorious greetings of the loved ones who had preceded him. There were several things which came out with such pleasing emphasis during the last years of his life, and down to the last week thereof, that they deserve mention in this paper. 1. We notice the readiness and zest with which he always entered into any act of religious worship. The visits of Christian friends, and especially his brethren in the ministry, the singing of the songs of Zion, and prayer around his family-altar or at his bedside, never failed to arouse the deeper responses of his soul. 2. The frequency and fervor with which he spoke of his being at peace with his Maker and all men were often touching, and especially to those who knew of the many trying and stormy periods of his active life. His noted strength of opinions and independent boldness in their expression had often led men to misconstrue his motives, misinterpret his spirit, and form harsh judgments concerning him, and therein to antagonize him in both feeling and action; but over all these asperities, engendered by such conflict of judgments, his soul had triumphed, and its holy impulses had gathered in peaceful benediction upon all men. Another feature marking him was his fatherly spirit toward his younger brethren in the ministry; for them his tenderness seemed to deepen as his days grew apace, and his respectful and even deferential manner toward them gave a mellowing charm to his intercourse with them. Then, too, there was conspicuous to the last his deep interest in the general prosperity of the Church. Truly, his soul loved our Zion. In the opening up of our mission fields, and especially that in Mexico; in the growing prosperity of our educational interests, and especially that of Randolph Macon College; in the success of the ministry, in the signs of a growing spirit of unity between the different Protestant Churches, and in the welfare of the young—of all these he was wont to speak often, and in such terms as showed the fires of a holy zeal still burning upon the altar of his heart; and they burned there to the last. Of him it may be truly said, "He had fought a good fight, and kept the faith." The result was, his end was peace. Quietly, from the bosom of his family and from the home which had sheltered him for fifty years, he passed away to his heavenly home. His death produced a profound impression upon the community of Lynchburg. There, where he had been so long and so well known, his character had made a deep impression. Presidents of the United States, Governors of his own beloved State, politicians and citizens, had time and again invoked his superior practical wisdom for the management of important civil trusts; but he yielded to none, save in an incidental way. Not that he was wanting in devotion to the *material* as well as *spiritual* prosperity of his beloved State, but it is a significant fact, and one which serves to illustrate his remarkable character, that, while he responded to some of these calls, he never allowed them to interfere with

his ministerial duties; nor did his participation in any public State interests compromise his standing and influence as a Christian minister. The natural result was, respect had blended with esteem until it ripened into veneration for him. To strength of opinion and fearlessness in its expression he had so uniformly added evidence of integrity and high-mindedness as a Christian that all classes, however different in their opinions, had learned to cherish him as a man, as a patriot, as a Christian, and as a faithful minister of the gospel of Christ. When he died, therefore, public sentiment testified that a great and good man had fallen. His funeral-obsequies furnished another evidence of the high esteem in which he was held. The closing of business-houses and the post-office, the adjournment of the circuit court, then in session, by its judge, the public and private expressions of grief, the large concourse at his funeral, all bespoke the public sense of loss occasioned by his death. In other cities and places such action was taken by our ministers and people as shows that our one sentiment as a Church is, "A great man and a prince has fallen in our Israel." His name had long

been a household word through our borders. He was one of the great historic characters of American Methodism, and especially of Southern Methodism. With this Conference he had been identified in labors and love for sixty-six years. But two of our members survive who entered the Conference before him, and none who were so long engaged in the active work of the ministry. We therefore feel ourselves bereaved of an honored leader and a conspicuous landmark; but our rejoicing is this: that he was not only spared to us so long, but that the grace of God abounded toward his aged servant, and, through a long and most eventful life, enabled him to work a mighty work. Thousands were brought to Christ through his ministry; and his flaming zeal, his unshaken devotion, and his peaceful end, are the beacon-lights to guide us, and the heritage of our memories, *over* which we are given to rejoice, and *through* which, though dead, he yet speaketh. Of him we may well say:

Servant of God, well done!
Rest from thy loved employ;
The battle fought, the vict'ry won,
Enter thy Master's joy.

