

MINUTES

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# MINUTES.

## 1.—KENTUCKY CONFERENCE.

HELD AT SHELBYVILLE, KY., September 16-24, 1863.

BISHOP KAVANAUGH, *President*; DANIEL STEVENSON, *Secretary*.

QUESTION 1. Who are admitted on trial?

ANSWER. William F. Taylor. 1.

Ques. 2. Who remain on trial?

J. T. Smith, J. J. Johnson, J. W. Zimmerman,  
J. E. Letton, J. A. Humphrey, G. T. Gould. 6.

Ques. 3. Who are admitted into full connection?

T. J. Dodd, L. B. Piersall, H. W. Abbett, W. C. Campbell. 4.

Ques. 4. Who are readmitted?

H. J. Perry. 1.

Ques. 5. Who are received by transfer from other Conferences?

None.

Ques. 6. Who are the deacons of one year?

None.

Ques. 7. What traveling preachers are elected and ordained deacons?

Thomas J. Dodd, H. W. Abbett, W. C. Campbell. 3.

Ques. 8. What local preachers are elected and ordained deacons?

Robert L. Thomas, Major Nelson (colored), Andrew Bridges (colored). 3.

Ques. 9. What traveling preachers are elected and ordained elders?

B. M. Messick, Duke Slavens, W. D. Power. 3.

Ques. 10. What local preachers are elected and ordained elders?

None.

Ques. 11. Who have located this year?

W. C. Campbell, Clark Polley, J. C. Miner, S. S. Deering. 4.

Ques. 12. Who are supernumerary?

S. Noland, E. P. Buckner, J. F. Vanpelt. 3.

Ques. 13. Who are superannuated?

W. J. Snively, J. C. Hardy, G. W. Maley, J. W. Ridgell, Samuel Veach, Isaac Collard, T. R. Malone, William Atherton, Thomas Hall, W. B. Landrum, L. C. Danley, Peter Taylor, John Sandusky. 13.

Ques. 14. What preachers have died during the past year?

John M. Johnson. 1.

No memoir.

Ques. 15. 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 L. G. Hicks, against whom charges were preferred and sustained, but, having made his acknowledgment, his character was passed—and L. D. Huston, whose case was referred to the Presiding Elder of Covington District for investigation; Robert Hiner joined the Illinois Conference of the Methodist Episcopal Church; James Randall, withdrawn; and C. W. Miller, whose case was again referred to the Presiding Elder of the Harrodsburg District for investigation.

Ques. 16. What is the number of preachers and members in the several circuits, stations, and missions of the Conference?

White probationers,	596
Colored probationers,	302
White members,	14,401
Colored members,	5,428

Ques. 17. What amounts are necessary for the superannuated preachers, and the widows and orphans of preachers, and to make up the deficiencies of those who have not obtained their regular allowance in their respective districts, circuits, and stations?

\$33,860.

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

Collected, \$25,057 93

Ques. 19. What has been contributed for the Missionary, Sunday-school, and Tract Societies?

For Missions, \$1,290 59

Ques. 20. Where and when shall the next session of the Conference be held?

At Maysville, Ky.

Ques. 21. Where are the preachers stationed this year?

## LEXINGTON DISTRICT.

*J. G. Bruce, P. E.*

Lexington:

First Charge, W. C. Dandy.

Second Charge and Georgetown, W. F. T. Spruill.

Frankfort, S. L. Robertson.

Nicholasville, Duke Slavens.

Versailles, Stephen Noland, Sup.

Jessamine and Woodford, John A. Humphrey.

Winchester, W. W. Chamberlain, W. F. Taylor.

Mount Sterling, T. F. Vanmeter.

Oxford, H. J. Perry.

Leesburg and Salem, R. Lancaster one to be supplied.

Paris and North Middletown, T. P. C. Shelman.

W. McD. Abbett, Superintendent of the Kentucky Institute for the Education and Training of Feeble-minded Children.

D. Stevenson, Agent for the Educational Fund.

## HARRODSBURG DISTRICT.

*J. R. Eads, P. E.*

Harrodsburg, Joseph Rand.

Lawrenceburg, George T. Chold.

Perryville, William Bickers.

Maxville, D. W. Axline.

Danville, Stanford, and Lancaster, B. M. Mes-sick.

Lancaster Circuit, W. G. Johns.

Madison Circuit, John S. Cox.

Crab Orchard, to be supplied.

Somerset, J. W. Zimmerman.

Pulaski, to be supplied.

Irvine, John L. Gragg.

## SHELBYVILLE DISTRICT.

*G. W. Merritt, P. E.*

Shelbyville, to be supplied, J. F. Vanpelt, Sup.

Shelby Circuit, T. G. Bosley.

Simpsonville, Jedidiah Foster.

Taylorsville, G. W. Crumbaugh.

Bloomfield, W. H. Winter.

La Grange, W. C. Atmore.

Westport, Jeremiah Strother.

Bedford, T. G. Godbey.

Carrollton, J. J. Johnson.

Newcastle, W. T. Benton.

Lockport, Thomas Rankin.

Floydsburg and Rollington, L. G. Hicks.

John S. Bayles, Chaplain in U. S. Army.

## COVINGTON DISTRICT.

*W. B. Kavanaugh, P. E.*

Covington:

Scott Street, J. C. Harrison, E. P. Buckner, Sup.

Kenton Circuit, James H. Brooking.

Newport, H. P. Walker.

Alexandria Circuit, P. H. Hoffman.

Brookville, L. P. Piersall.

Falmouth, Orson Long.

Oddville, Milton Mann.

Millersburg, S. X. Hall.

Cynthiana, Samuel Kelly.

Carlisle, George S. Savage, H. W. Abbett.

Warsaw, G. W. Smith.

Crittenden, A. Miner, J. T. S. Smith.

Burlington, J. W. Cunningham.

Owenton and Eagle Creek Mission, W. H. Parker.

Home Circle, L. D. Huston, Editor.

Millersburg High School, T. J. Dodd, Principal.

## MAYSVILLE DISTRICT.

*Elkanah Johnson, P. E.*

Maysville, B. F. Sedwick.

Washington and Germantown, E. M. Cole.

Shannon and Sardis, L. D. Parker.

Mount Olivet, W. D. Power.

Flemingsburg, H. C. Northcott.

Tilton, James E. Letton.

Poplar Plains and Hillsboro, J. C. C. Thompson.

Owingsville, F. T. Johns.

Sharpsburg and Bethel, P. E. Kavanaugh.

Lewis Circuit, W. L. Furniss.

Orangeburg, J. W. Fitch.

## MISSION DISTRICT.

*Elias Botner, Superintendent.*

London, to be supplied.

Barboursville and Manchester, to be supplied.

Booneville and Proctor, to be supplied.

Williamsburg, to be supplied.

Yellow Creek, to be supplied.

Mount Vernon, to be supplied.

Morehead, to be supplied.

Morgan, to be supplied.

Prestonsburg and Piketon, to be supplied.

Jackson, to be supplied.

Mount Pleasant, to be supplied.

Whitesburg, to be supplied.

2.—LOUISVILLE CONFERENCE.

HELD AT GLASGOW, KY., September 30—, 1863.

JOHN H. LINN, *President*; N. H. LEE, *Secretary*.

QUESTION 1. Who are admitted on trial?

ANSWER. Daniel S. Campbell, Daniel H. Limebaugh, Andrew D. Gray. 3.

Ques. 2. Who remain on trial?

Montgomery M. Hunter, W. R. Johnson. 2.

Ques. 3. Who are admitted into full connection?

Dennis M. Spurrier, Timothy C. Peters, Saml. P. Hines, William T. Reid, James M. Gray. 5.

Ques. 4. Who are readmitted?

None.

Ques. 5. Who are received by transfer from other Conferences?

None.

Ques. 6. Who are the deacons of one year?

Edmund W. Bottomley, Thomas G. Harrison, Philip T. Hardison, James J. Ruddle. 4.

Ques. 7. What traveling preachers are elected and ordained deacons?

Dennis Spurrier, Edmund W. Bottomley, T. G. Harrison, James M. Gray. 4.

Ques. 8. What local preachers are elected and ordained deacons?

Cornelius Daugherty, J. R. Cundiff, W. W. Mayhew, Thomas D. Payne, J. T. Cornelius, J. B. Landrum. 6.

Ques. 9. What traveling preachers are elected and ordained elders?

John L. Brown, David A. Beardsley, John R. Strange, James L. Edrington, J. M. Lawson. 5.

Ques. 10. What local preachers are elected and ordained elders?

Cyrus H. Young. 1.

Ques. 11. Who have located this year?

W. S. Asbury, H. T. Burge, D. D. Moore. 3.

Ques. 12. Who are supernumerary?

A. Akin, J. R. Strange, W. B. Edmunds. 3.

Ques. 13. Who are superannuated?

Silas Lee, John Randolph, William Childers, George W. Taylor, Richard Tydings, John B. Perry, Abram Long, E. B. Crain, Aaron Moore, Alexander McCown, A. C. De Witt. 11.

Ques. 14. What preachers have died during the past year?

None.

Ques. 15. 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. 16. What is the number of preachers and members in the several circuits, stations, and missions of the Conference?

*Louisville District.*

	White Mem's.	White Prob's.	Col'd Mem's.	Col'd Prob's.	Loc'l Pr's.
Louisville:					
Brook Street.....	225	.....	1	.....	.....
Jackson St. (Col'd)*..	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Walnut Street.....	300	.....	1	.....	5
Eighth Street.....	228	16	.....	.....	1
Center Street (Col'd)*	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Shelby Street.....	165	.....	.....	.....	2
Twelfth Street.....	157	2	.....	.....	.....
Bethel*.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
City Mission.....	122	3	.....	.....	5
Middletown.....	92	1	.....	.....	.....
Jeffersontown*.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Louisville Circuit.....	165	.....	.....	.....	.....
	1454	22	2	.....	13

*Hardinsburg District.*

Hardinsburg Circuit....	300	.....	74	.....	1
Big Spring.....	400	80	75	.....	6
West Point.....	256	17	51	.....	7
Brandenburg.....	121	1	20	6	2
Hawesville.....	418	10	32	6	6
Hartford.....	448	.....	64	.....	5
Whitesville Mission.....	100	.....	5	.....	2
Owensboro Station.....	148	45	27	13	.....
Owensboro Circuit.....	85	3	.....	.....	.....
Yelvington.....	325	.....	50	.....	3
Calhoun*.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Hudsonville.....	400	54	4	.....	2
	3001	210	402	25	34

*Henderson District.*

Henderson Station.....	137	6	75	4	3
Henderson Circuit.....	427	37	24	8	7
Henderson Mission*.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Morganfield*.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Dixon Mission*.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Madisonville Circuit....	797	50	110	6	10
Rumsey.....	375	35	10	.....	5
Smithland.....	91	6	25	.....	.....
Salem.....	217	25	1	.....	1
Marion.....	317	72	25	.....	1
Eddyville.....	195	35	.....	.....	2
Princeton.....	304	6	45	.....	5
Smithland.....	140	53	10	.....	6
	3000	325	325	18	40

\* No report.

Hopkinsville District.

	White Mem's.	White Prob's.	Col'd Mem's.	Col'd Prob's.	Loc'l Pr's.
Hopkinsville Station...	98	16	187	2	.....
Hopkinsville Circuit...	200	28	77	3	2
Falling Rock.....	176	14	6	.....	2
La Fayette.....	177	7	30	9	2
Cadiz.....	240	36	102	15	4
Empire Iron-works*...	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Elkton.....	269	48	258	112	6
Clifty Mission.....	326	28	3	.....	2
Russellville Station.....	175	15	84	.....	4
Russellville Circuit.....	474	28	24	.....	6
Gordonville*.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Logan.....	524	83	485	61	2
Franklin.....	427	12	74	6	9
Greenville*.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Rochester Mission*.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
	3086	315	1330	208	39

Applied as follows:

John B. Perry,	\$163
Widow Knowles,	62
Widow Lewis,	60
Richard Tydings,	120
A. C. De Witt,	120
A. Moore,	140
Widow Wilson,	80
Widow King,	92
Widow Kasey's child,	16
Widow Davis,	60
Special appropriation,	25
John Randolph,	50
Widow Denham,	60
Bishop Kavanaugh,	406

\$1459

Glasgow District.

Glasgow Circuit.....	321	14	59	.....	4
Mammoth Cave.....	250	.....	50	.....	6
Brownsville Mission...	131	.....	.....	.....	2
Bowling-green Station*	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Bowling-green Circuit	274	12	17	1	1
Scottsville.....	834	57	10	1	1
Tompkinsville*.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Albany*.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Wayne*.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Burksville*.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Cumberland Mission...	320	23	1	.....	3
Columbia*.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Jamestown*.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
	2130	106	137	2	17

Ques. 19. What has been contributed for the Missionary, Sunday-school, and Tract Societies?

No report.

Ques. 20. Where and when shall the next session of the Conference be held?

At Henderson, Ky.

Ques. 21. Where are the preachers stationed this year?

LOUISVILLE DISTRICT.

Thomas Bottomley, P. E.

Louisville:

- { Brook Street, W. H. Anderson.
- { Jackson Street, (colored,) to be supplied
- Walnut Street, George W. Brush.
- { Eighth Street, John H. Linn.
- { Center Street, (colored,) to be supplied.
- Shelby Street, James H. Owen.
- Twelfth Street, Charles B. Parsons.
- Portland, J. L. Edrington.
- Bethel, William Holman.
- City Mission, L. B. Davison.
- Middletown Circuit, J. P. Goodson.
- Jeffersontown, Richard Deering.
- Louisville, Robert Fisk.
- Salt River Mission, C. Y. Boggess.
- Book and Tract Societies, A. H. Redford, Agent.
- Missionary Society, E. W. Schon, Secretary.

J. H. Bristow, Chaplain in U. S. Army, and attached to Shelby Street Q. M. C.

HARDINBURG DISTRICT.

J. D. Barnett, P. E.

- Hardinsburg Circuit, James R. Dempsey.
- Big Spring, Artemas Brown.
- Brandenburg, James M. Gray.
- Hudsonville, Henry N. Hobbs.
- Litchfield Mission, James W. Taylor.
- Hawesville Circuit, Samuel C. Allen.
- Yelvington, George H. Hayes.
- Owensboro Station, J. W. Cunningham.
- Owensboro Circuit, D. S. Campbell.
- Calhoun, T. J. Randolph.
- Hartford, R. B. McCown.
- Whitesville Mission, Silas Spurrier.

Robert G. Gardner, Chaplain in U. S. Army.

Bardstown District.

Bardstown Station*.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
New Haven.....	143	13	28	.....	.....
Buffalo Mission.....	179	7	3	.....	.....
Bradfordsville.....	336	5	150	.....	3
Campbellsville.....	333	5	10	.....	2
Taylor Circuit.....	145	15	12	.....	1
Greensburg.....	401	.....	50	8	2
Elizabethtown.....	467	.....	95	.....	4
Millerstown.....	434	19	14	.....	2
Litchfield.....	296	78	10	.....	3
Munfordville.....	284	9	5	.....	4
Shepherdsville.....	237	7	42	.....	.....
	3254	158	419	8	21

Recapitulation.

Louisville District.....	1454	22	2	.....	13
Hardinsburg ".....	3001	210	402	25	34
Henderson ".....	3000	325	325	18	40
Hopkinsville ".....	3086	315	1330	208	39
Glasgow ".....	2130	106	137	2	17
Bardstown ".....	3254	153	419	8	21
Total this year.....	15,925	1136	2815	261	164
Total last year.....	11,813	567	2768	171	138
Increase.....	4112	569	47	90	26

Ques. 17. What amounts are necessary for the superannuated preachers, and the widows and orphans of preachers, and to make up the deficiencies of those who have not obtained their regular allowance in their respective districts, circuits, and stations?

\$2440.

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

Collected, \$1459

\*No report.

HENDERSON DISTRICT.

*A. L. Alderson, P. E.*

Henderson Station, H. M. Ford.  
Henderson Colored Mission, to be supplied.  
Dixon Circuit, M. M. Hunter.  
Morganfield, W. W. Cook.  
Charleston, to be supplied.  
Rumsey, Henry C. McQuown.  
Smithland Station, D. A. Beardsley.  
Smithland Circuit, William T. Reid.  
Salem, F. B. Rodgers.  
Marion, James J. Ruddle.  
Eddyville, Thomas D. Lewis.  
Princeton, P. T. Hardison.

HOPKINSVILLE DISTRICT.

*W. H. Morrison, P. E.*

Hopkinsville and Elkton, J. C. Petree.  
Hopkinsville Circuit, David Morton.  
Falling Rock, to be supplied.  
La Fayette, Gideon Gooch.  
Cadiz, J. F. Redford, Allison Akin, Sup.  
Empire Iron-works, S. P. Hines.  
Hadensville, George R. Browder.  
Russellville Station, A. A. Morrison.  
Gordonsville Circuit, R. Y. Thomas.  
Clifty, E. A. Davis.  
Logan, W. Alexander, H. C. Settle.  
Southern Kentucky Female Collegiate Institute,  
E. Stevenson, Principal.

BOWLING-GREEN DISTRICT.

*T. C. Frogge, P. E.*

Bowling-green Circuit, E. W. Bottomley.  
Woodburn, to be supplied.

Scottsville, T. C. Peters.  
Mammoth Cave, N. H. Lee.  
Brownsville Mission, to be supplied.  
Franklin Circuit, Joel Peak.  
Rochester Mission, to be supplied.  
Russellville Circuit, J. A. Lewis.  
Greenville, B. A. Cundiff, J. R. Strange, Sup.

GLASGOW DISTRICT.

*S. L. Murrell, P. E.*

Glasgow Station, D. Spurrier, W. B. Edmunds,  
Sup.  
Glasgow Circuit, T. G. Harrison.  
Columbia, D. A. Limebaugh.  
Jamestown, to be supplied.  
Wayne, I. W. Emerson.  
Albany, to be supplied.  
Cumberland Mission, to be supplied.  
Burksville Circuit, to be supplied.  
Tompkinsville, to be supplied.  
Campbellsville, to be supplied.  
U. R. Seminary, C. D. Donaldson, Principal.

BARDSTOWN DISTRICT.

*J. S. Woolls, P. E.*

Bardstown Station, James A. Henderson.  
New Haven Circuit, George C. Crumbaugh.  
Bradfordsville, Wm. Neikirk, G. W. Dungan.  
Taylor, Silas Newton.  
Greensburg, John D. Onins.  
Elizabethtown, L. P. Crenshaw.  
Millerstown, John L. Brown.  
Munfordville, A. D. Gray.  
Shepherdsville, W. R. Johnson.  
West Point, James M. Lawson.  
Buffalo Mission, to be supplied.

3.—MISSOURI CONFERENCE.

HELD AT FULTON, MO., October 14-20, 1863.

ANDREW MONROE, *President*; JOHN D. VINCIL, *Secretary*.

QUESTION 1. Who are admitted on trial?

ANSWER. James O. Swinney. 1.

Ques. 2. Who remain on trial?

John W. Adkisson, Samuel Alexander, Samuel  
J. Huffaker, George C. Brown. 4.

Ques. 3. Who are admitted into full connection?

M. McIlhany, Jas. S. Smith, Jacob McEwin. 3.

Ques. 4. Who are readmitted?

None.

Ques. 5. Who are received by transfer from other Conferences?

Henry H. Hedgpath. 1.

Ques. 6. Who are the deacons of one year?

W. W. McMurry.

Ques. 7. What traveling preachers are elected and ordained deacons?

James S. Smith, M. McIlhany, J. McEwin. 3.

Ques. 8. What local preachers are elected and ordained deacons?

John D. Reagan. 1.

Ques. 9. What traveling preachers are elected and ordained elders?

H. A. Bourland, George Penn, John F. Shores,  
G. W. Collett, Henry G. McEwin. 5.

Ques. 10. What local preachers are elected and ordained elders?

None.

Ques. 11. Who have located this year?

Joseph Dines, John Stone, William H. Saxton,  
O. R. Bouton, R. R. Baldwin. 5.

Ques. 12. Who are supernumerary?

C. W. Pritchett, Thomas Demoss, N. P. Halsey, T. Hurst, George Fentem, Joseph Devlin, Jesse Sutton, L. R. Downing, A. P. Lynn, S. J. Huffaker, Jesse Faubion, W. W. McMurry, E. H. Hudson. 13.

Ques. 13. Who are superannuated?

John F. Young, R. P. Holt, D. C. Blackwell,  
William M. Wood, M. L. Eads. 5.

Ques. 14. What preachers have died during the past year?

Robert C. Hatton. 1.

No memoir.

Ques. 15. 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. 16. What is the number of preachers and members in the several circuits, stations, and missions of the Conference?

No report, on account of the war.

Ques. 17. What amounts are necessary for the superannuated preachers, and the widows and orphans of preachers, and to make up the deficiencies of those who have not obtained their regular allowance in their respective districts, circuits, and stations?

No report.

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

Collected, \$41 15  
Applied as follows:

Mrs. Newman, 41 15

Ques. 19. What has been contributed for the Missionary, Sunday-school, and Tract Societies?

No report.

Ques. 20. Where and when shall the next session of the Conference be held?

At Richmond, Mo.

Ques. 21. Where are the preachers stationed this year?

#### ST. CHARLES DISTRICT.

*Horace Brown, P. E.*

St. Charles Circuit, J. H. Pritchett.  
Flint Hill, Tyson Dines.  
Warrenton, George Smith.  
High Hill, S. W. Cope.  
Danville, M. McIlhany.  
Wellsville, S. K. Fowler.  
Ashley, R. G. Loving, Jesse Sutton, Sup.  
Louisiana, C. J. Vandeventer, A. P. Lynn, Sup.  
Auburn, Alexander Spencer.

#### FAYETTE DISTRICT.

*Edwin Robinson, P. E.*

Fayette Circuit, William M. Sutton.  
New Franklin, John F. Shores.  
Rocheport, Thomas J. Starr.  
Columbia, R. H. Jordan, James S. Smith.  
Sturgeon, George L. Sexton.  
Fulton, Charles Babcock, H. A. Bourland.

New Bloomfield, George Penn.  
Mexico, to be supplied.

#### BRUNSWICK DISTRICT.

*Andrew Monroe, P. E.*

Brunswick Station, William Penn.  
Glasgow, William G. Caples.  
Keytesville Circuit, R. A. Austin, J. O. Swinney.  
Bucklin, William F. Bell.  
Linneus, W. E. Dockery.  
Chillicothe, to be supplied.  
Utica, B. F. Johnson.  
Carrollton, William Perkins, N. P. Halsey, Sup.

#### ST. JOSEPH DISTRICT.

*M. R. Jones, P. E.*

St. Joseph Station, H. H. Hedgpeth.  
Weston and Platte City Circuit, R. N. T. Holliday.  
New Market, to be supplied.  
St. Joseph, Daniel Penny.  
Plattsburg, William A. Tarwater.  
Liberty, Henry G. McEwen.  
Richmond, John C. C. Davis.  
Millville, to be supplied.  
Savannah, to be supplied.  
Oregon and Rockport, to be supplied.  
Maryville and Albany, to be supplied.

#### GALLATIN DISTRICT.

*William Ketron, P. E.*

Gallatin Circuit, S. Alexander, S. J. Huffaker, Sup.  
Spring Hill Circuit, to be supplied.  
Trenton, to be supplied.  
Milan, to be supplied.  
Greencastle, to be supplied.  
St. John's, to be supplied.  
Bethany, to be supplied.

#### BLOOMINGTON DISTRICT.

*William A. Mayhew, P. E.*

Bloomington and Kirksville Circuit, W. Toole,  
H. B. Watson.  
Macon City, William Warren.  
Memphis, Louis Baldwin.  
Edina, D. R. Shackelford.  
Shelbyville, L. Rush, W. W. McMurry, Sup.  
Paris, C. W. Collett.  
Middle Grove, Jacob McEwen.  
Huntsville, D. B. Cooper.  
Thomasville, D. H. Root.  
Bloomington High School, J. P. Nolan, Principal.

#### HANNIBAL DISTRICT.

*Newton G. Berryman, P. E.*

Hannibal Station, John D. Vincil.  
Palmyra, F. A. Savage.  
Canton Circuit, John R. Taylor.  
Monticello, James Penn.  
Waterloo, John W. Adkisson.  
Emerson, to be supplied.  
Hydesburg, W. M. Newland.  
Sharpsburg, John W. Penn, E. H. Hudson, Sup.  
Florida, D. Mason, Thomas Demoss, Sup.  
Hannibal and St. Charles German Mission, C. H. Schmidt, Alexander Albright.



4.—ST. LOUIS CONFERENCE.

[NO MINUTES FOR 1863 RECEIVED.]

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5.—KANSAS MISSION CONFERENCE.

[NO MINUTES FOR 1863 RECEIVED.]

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6.—TENNESSEE CONFERENCE.

[NO SESSION HELD IN 1863, ON ACCOUNT OF THE WAR.]

## 7.—HOLSTON CONFERENCE.

HELD AT WYTHEVILLE, VA., *October 7-13, 1863.*BISHOP EARLY, *President*; E. E. WILEY, *Secretary*.

QUESTION 1. Who are admitted on trial?

ANSWER. Geo. W. Martin, Geo. Spake. 2.

Ques. 2. Who remain on trial?

John L. M. French, Saml. W. Hyden, Joseph A. Wiggins, Henry C. Neal, Tobias F. Smith, J. F. Niece, Joseph S. Brooks, J. M. Rudd. 8.

Ques. 3. Who are admitted into full connection?

Samuel R. Wheeler, Benjamin T. Nuckolls, Levi R. Haynes, Jacob R. Payne, Jacob Smith, William A. Harris, Walter H. Stevens, John N. Summers, William G. Miller. 9.

Ques. 4. Who are readmitted?

Abram Weaver, William H. Cooper, Frank Richardson. 3.

Ques. 5. Who are received by transfer from other Conferences?

William G. Miller. 1.

Ques. 6. Who are the deacons of one year?

Charles K. Miller, Andrew J. Frazier, James R. Ballew, Francis A. Farley, Fleming Crumley, Enoch W. Miner, Hamilton B. Swisher, Samuel G. Grant, James Mahoney, Jacob T. Freeman, Hardy M. Bennett, George M. Proffit, Thomas H. Russell. 13.

Ques. 7. What traveling preachers are elected and ordained deacons?

William G. Miller, Benjamin F. Nuckolls, L. K. Haynes, Jacob R. Payne, Jacob Smith, W. H. Stevens, J. N. Summers, F. Richardson. 8.

Ques. 8. What local preachers are elected and ordained deacons?

Thomas J. Stone, George W. Martin, George T. Gray, David R. Smith. 4.

Ques. 9. What traveling preachers are elected and ordained elders?

William C. Bowman, William P. Doane. 2.

Ques. 10. What local preachers are elected and ordained elders?

Thaddeus P. Thomas, William H. Hedwick, Johnson P. Horton. 3.

Ques. 11. Who have located this year?

Josiah Torbit, M. P. Swain, W. H. Eblin. 3.

Ques. 12. Who are supernumerary?

Moses H. Spencer, John N. S. Huffaker, John Alley, James W. Belt, A. F. English, Benjamin W. S. Bishop, William P. Queen, George M. Proffit. 9.

Ques. 13. Who are superannuated?

Timothy Sullins, Thomas K. Catlett, Rufus M. Stevens, James Cumming, David Fleming, William Robertson, Thomas K. Munsey, Joseph Haskew, Daniel B. Carter, Raphael W. Patty, Wiley B. Winton, Hardy M. Bennett. 12.

Ques. 14. What preachers have died during the past year?

Samuel A. Miller, William W. Smith. 2.

SAMUEL A. MILLER was born in Washington county, Tenn., where he was converted, joined the Church, and was licensed to preach. In the fall of 1836, he was received on trial in the Holston Conference, and traveled eleven years. In 1847, he was married to Miss Walls, of Hancock county, Tenn., and at the end of that Conference-year he located, and remained in the local ranks for fourteen years, during which time he was employed four years in the pastoral work within the Rogersville District. At the Conference of 1861, he was readmitted to the itinerant work, as a member of the Holston Conference, and appointed to the Kingsport Circuit, where he performed a year's faithful and useful labor. At the ensuing Conference, he was sent to the Jonesville Circuit. He entered early and earnestly upon his work on that circuit, and continued his labors until stricken down by typhoid fever. His last days on earth were passed at the house of Mr. William Carnes, in Lee county, Va. Here he received from the kind family every needful attention. Doctors Loyd and Spencer kindly waited upon him, exerting all their skill for his recovery. But his labors were ended, and after an illness of three weeks, he closed his earthly career in great peace. Brother Miller was a devoted Christian, a useful minister of the gospel, a kind husband, and an affectionate father. His wife and several children died a few years before him. One daughter, several relatives, and many friends survive to mourn their loss. He died Jan. 11, 1863.

W. W. SMITH was born in Washington county, Tennessee, Feb. 11, 1814. His parents were pious members of the M. E. Church, who taught him the fear of the Lord in early childhood; and in him was exemplified the proverb, "Train up a child in the way he should go, and when he is old he will not depart from it." In early

life he sought and found the Saviour, and continued his devoted follower until dismissed from earthly labor and taken to his glorious rest. He was licensed to preach in 1844, but continued in the local ranks until 1851. In October of that year, at the session held in Athens, Tenn., he was admitted on trial in the Holston Conference, and appointed to Pattonville Circuit, in the Rogersville District. In 1852, he labored on the Taylorsville Circuit, and then was two years on the Watauga Mission. At the Conference held in Jonesboro, November, 1855, he was admitted into full connection, ordained deacon by Bishop Paine, and appointed to the Saltville Circuit. His next field of labor was Sneedville. At the Conference of 1857, he was ordained elder by Bishop Early, and sent to the Tazewell Circuit. From the Conference of 1858, he was sent to the Jefferson Circuit. Webster, North Carolina, enjoyed his labors for two years, viz., from 1849 to 1851. At the conclusion of his labors on that circuit, he was appointed to the Sulphur Spring Circuit. There he performed a successful year's labor, and was reappointed to the circuit from the Conference at Athens, in the autumn of 1862—a singular coincidence, that his first and last appointments were from Athens, Tenn., at neither of which sessions was he present. He continued his labors during the session of the Conference, and to the people it was a welcome announcement as the preachers returned from Conference, that Brother Smith was to continue to serve them. He was a man of rather delicate constitution, but was constant and faithful in his efforts to do good. He seldom failed to meet an appointment—never when it was practicable to attend. A pious, devoted minister, always cheerfully performing the work to which he was sent, acceptably and usefully. At his third quarterly-meeting he was taken sick, but improving a little, he continued his labors, and nearly completed another round on his circuit. He preached his last sermon at Sulphur Springs Church, June 6, 1863; a chronic diarrhea then set in, from which he never recovered. He suffered uncomplainingly, until Sept. 21, 1863, when he gently fell asleep in Jesus. Two days before his death, he conversed familiarly with his now disconsolate widow of his probable death, designated the place of his interment, and named a minister to attend his burial and preach at the time a funeral-sermon. He contemplated his death with perfect composure, and conscious that the end had come, he distinctly uttered the prayer, "Lord Jesus, receive my spirit!"

ferred to the Presiding Elder of the Abingdon District.

Ques. 16. What is the number of preachers and members in the several circuits, stations, and missions of the Conference?

Wytheville District.

	White Mem's.	White Prob's.	Col'd Mem's.	Col'd Prob's.	Loc'l Pr's.
Wytheville Station.....	147	8	80	30	.....
Wytheville Circuit.....	1001	374	94	37	8
Pearisburg.....	724	114	70	3	4
Newbern.....	465	58	248	50	2
Hillsville Station.....	66	110	10	15	2
Hillsville Circuit.....	233	95	10	16	5
Grayson.....	956	350	20	36	10
Jefferson.....	728	157	20	4	11
Marion.....	601	109	56	27	3
Mechanicsburg.....	561	112	16	4	10
Princeton.....	506	34	71	.....	5
	5988	1821	695	222	60

Abingdon District.

Abingdon Station.....	82	1	.....	.....	1
Abingdon Circuit.....	722	77	50	1	6
Saltville.....	404	130	24	3	1
Jeffersonville.....	869	194	74	9	2
Lebanon.....	622	26	7	.....	4
Estillville.....	638	72	57	2	5
Bristol Station.....	107	8	5	4	.....
Bristol Circuit.....	546	160	.....	.....	5
Blountville.....	829	48	63	3	.....
Guest River.....	730	47	35	.....	16
	5549	703	315	22	40

Rogersville District.

Rogersville Circuit.....	193	27	50	.....	1
Morristown.....	364	7	10	.....	2
Mossy Creek.....	184	20	57	.....	.....
Rutledge.....	424	34	43	.....	.....
Thorn Hill Mission.....	244	71	5	.....	8
Tazewell Circuit.....	490	130	51	.....	1
Powell's Valley.....	446	25	13	.....	6
Jonesville.....	613	50	25	7	7
Sneedville.....	528	126	4	2	7
Kingsport.....	880	37	82	.....	.....
	4366	527	340	9	32

Cumberland District.

Washington Circuit.....	510	26	30	10	7
Hamilton.....	401	71	15	.....	.....
Pikeville.....	347	81	76	26	.....
Jasper.....	350	12	83	.....	2
Altamont Mission.....	468	12	83	.....	2
Spencer.....	119	39	.....	.....	2
Cumberland.....	334	64	5	.....	7
Jamestown.....	350	50	8	2	3
Huntsville.....	260	64	.....	.....	3
Montgomery.....	389	13	12	.....	4
	3528	432	312	38	30

Chattanooga District.

Chattanooga Station....	168	2	91	11	1
Cleveland.....	167	.....	141	.....	2
Cleveland Circuit.....	460	75	23	10	6
Harrison.....	249	18	9	.....	.....
Trenton.....	600	100	20	.....	6
Ducktown.....	200	60	9	.....	.....
Benton.....	480	142	18	.....	2
Charleston.....	500	56	29	.....	2
Murphy.....	291	58	5	.....	7
Hiwassee Mission.....	280	.....	.....	.....	.....
Fort Embree.....	217	66	23	.....	3
	3612	577	368	21	29

Ques. 15. 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 Wm. H. H. Duggan, William H. Rogers, William Milburn, Robert G. Blackburn, and J. T. Mann, who were expelled from the Church; Thomas H. Russell, whose case was referred to the Presiding Elder of Knoxville District; and William G. E. Cunyningham, whose case was re-

*Athens District.*

	White Mem's.	White Prob's.	Col'd Mem's.	Col'd Prob's.	Loc'l Fr's.
Athens Station.....	128	2	105	22	.....
Athens Circuit.....	610	57	75	2	6
Decatur.....	552	146	25	.....	3
Kingston.....	440	.....	70	.....	6
Louisville.....	552	138	79	.....	2
Maryville Station.....	115	3	18	5	.....
Madisonville Circuit....	756	73	54	1	6
Tellico Mission.....	224	11	2	.....	4
Loudon Circuit.....	398	45	103	13	.....
Sewee.....	369	50	9	.....	4
	4144	525	540	43	31

*Asheville District.*

	White Mem's.	White Prob's.	Col'd Mem's.	Col'd Prob's.	Loc'l Fr's.
Asheville Station.....	123	30	.....	.....	1
Asheville Circuit.....	542	85	59	12	11
Asheville Mission.....	.....	.....	315	47	.....
Hendersonville Station	90	10	33	6	.....
Hendersonville Circuit	625	47	41	.....	2
Transylvania.....	157	39	.....	.....	.....
Catawba.....	300	46	83	5	1
Burnsville.....	292	46	6	.....	4
Sulphur Spring.....	784	43	32	.....	2
Waynesville.....	675	100	20	.....	8
Webster.....	429	8	8	2	.....
Echota Mission.....	182	46	.....	.....	.....
Franklin Circuit.....	450	39	98	5	5
Cheoa Mission.....	123	.....	.....	.....	.....
	4772	539	695	77	34

*Knoxville District.*

	White Mem's.	White Prob's.	Col'd Mem's.	Col'd Prob's.	Loc'l Fr's.
Knoxville Station.....	195	2	75	.....	6
Knoxville Circuit.....	515	131	.....	.....	7
Clinton.....	390	10	28	.....	6
Jacksboro.....	389	15	8	4	1
Maynardsville.....	475	20	75	1	.....
Dandridge.....	936	189	90	.....	9
Saverville.....	530	150	13	17	4
Little River.....	441	1	19	.....	4
	3921	518	308	22	37

*Jonesboro District.*

	White Mem's.	White Prob's.	Col'd Mem's.	Col'd Prob's.	Loc'l Fr's.
Jonesboro Station.....	105	14	68	12	.....
Jonesboro Circuit.....	455	39	28	.....	4
Elizabethton.....	392	176	11	11	9
Taylorsville.....	241	49	4	.....	4
Watauga Mission.....	249	43	.....	.....	3
Fall Branch Circuit....	650	74	20	.....	5
Rheatown.....	900	50	55	10	7
St. Clair.....	569	126	25	2	5
Greenville.....	640	53	65	9	3
Newport.....	476	72	46	14	7
	4677	696	322	58	47

*Recapitulation.*

	White Mem's.	White Prob's.	Col'd Mem's.	Col'd Prob's.	Loc'l Fr's.
Wytheville District.....	5988	1521	695	222	60
Abingdon ".....	5549	703	315	22	40
Rogersville ".....	4366	527	340	9	32
Cumberland ".....	3528	432	312	38	30
Chattanooga ".....	3612	577	368	21	29
Athens ".....	4144	525	540	43	31
Asheville ".....	4772	539	695	77	34
Knoxville ".....	3921	518	308	22	37
Jonesboro ".....	4677	696	322	58	47
Total this year.....	40,557	6038	3895	512	340
Total last year.....	38,254	5585	3714	457	316
Increase.....	2,303	453	181	55	24

Ques. 17. What amounts are necessary for the superannuated preachers, and the widows and orphans of preachers, and to make up the deficiencies of those who have not obtained their

regular allowance in their respective districts, circuits, and stations?

\$9559 75.

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

Collected, \$3497 40  
Applied to the most necessitous cases among the superannuated preachers, their widows and orphans.

Ques. 19. What has been contributed for the Missionary, Sunday-school, and Tract Societies?

For Missions, \$12,975 95  
For Sunday-schools, 823 65  
For Tracts, 1,268 85

Ques. 20. Where and when shall the next session of the Conference be held?  
At Bristol, Tenn.

Ques. 21. Where are the preachers stationed this year?

WYTHEVILLE DISTRICT.

*James S. Kennedy, P. E.*

Wytheville Station, William C. Bowman.  
Wytheville Circuit, J. M. Crismond, A. Frazier.  
Pearisburg, Walter H. Stevens.  
Newbern, William M. Kerr.  
Hillsville Station, Samuel S. Grant.  
Hillsville Circuit, J. Smith, B. W. S. Bishop, Sup.  
Grayson, William B. Lyda.  
Jefferson, Abram Weaver, James E. Neese.  
Marion, Richard N. Price.  
Mechanicsburg, George W. Martin.  
Princeton, Jacob R. Payne.

ABINGDON DISTRICT.

*John McTeer, P. E.*

Abingdon Station, Edwin C. Wexler.  
Abingdon Circuit, George Stewart.  
Saltville, Samuel R. Wheeler, William C. Neal.  
Jeffersonville, John C. Hyden, B. F. Nuckolls.  
Lebanon, Charles K. Miller.  
Blountville, George W. Miles.  
Bristol Station, Absalom D. Stewart.  
Bristol Circuit, Samuel D. Gaines.  
Emory and Henry College, E. E. Wiley, President; James A. Davis, Professor.  
Martha Washington College, William A. Harris, President; John Boring, Agent.  
Bible Agent, William W. Neal.

Francis A. Farley, Chaplain in C. S. Army.

ROGERSVILLE DISTRICT.

*R. M. Hickey, P. E.*

Rogersville Circuit, Levi K. Haines.  
Morristown, Alexander E. Woodward.  
Mossy Creek, Landon C. Delashmit.  
Rutledge, Thomas J. Pope.  
Thorn Hill Mission, William H. Cooper.  
Tazewell Circuit, to be supplied.  
Powell's Valley, to be supplied.  
Jonesville, B. F. White, J. W. Belt, Sup.  
Sneedville, John M. Rudd.  
Kingsport, Fleming D. Crumley.  
Rye Cove, L. M. Renfro, W. P. Queen, Sup.  
Estillville, George W. Penley.

KNOXVILLE DISTRICT.

*Carrol Long, P. E.*

Knoxville Station, David Sullins.  
 Knoxville Circuit, Joshua B. Little.  
 Maryville, John W. Mann.  
 Little River, Jesse G. Swisher.  
 Sevierville, Gaston N. Massey.  
 Dandridge, W. C. Graves, J. N. S. Huffaker, Sup.  
 Union, Jesse A. Hyden.  
 Clinton, Milton Maupin.  
 Jacksboro, J. L. M. French.  
 Montgomery Mission, Jacob T. Freeman.

CUMBERLAND DISTRICT.

*James W. Dickey, P. E.*

Washington Circuit, Tobias F. Smith.  
 Hamilton, Daniel R. Reagan.  
 Pikeville, to be supplied.  
 Jasper, William H. Moody.  
 { Altamont Mission, to be supplied.  
 { Spencer, to be supplied.  
 Cumberland, to be supplied.  
 Kingston Circuit, to be supplied.  
 Sweetwater, James Atkins.

George W. Callahan, Chaplain in C. S. Army.

CHATTANOOGA DISTRICT.

*A. G. Worley, P. E.*

Chattanooga Station and Colored Mission, Wm. E. Munsey.  
 Trenton Circuit, to be supplied.  
 Cleveland, Philip S. Sutton.  
 Harrison, Hamilton B. Swisher.  
 Charleston, William P. Doane.  
 Ducktown and Hiwassee Mission, S. W. Hyden.  
 Fort Emory Circuit, Joshua S. Brooks.  
 Murphy, John W. Bird.  
 Decatur, Larkin W. Crouch.  
 Athens Station, William H. Kelley.  
 Athens Circuit, William Kinsland.

Madisonville, John H. Brunner.  
 Tellico Mission, to be supplied.  
 Athens Female College, E. Rowley, President.

Joseph A. Wiggins, Thomas F. Glenn, Chaplains in C. S. Army.

ASHEVILLE DISTRICT.

*Grinsfield Taylor, P. E.*

Asheville Station, John D. Wagg.  
 Asheville Circuit, John D. Baldwin.  
 Hendersonville Station, William H. Howell.  
 Hendersonville Circuit, Frank Richardson.  
 Transylvania, J. F. Woodfin, A. F. English, Sup.  
 Catawba, John N. Summers.  
 Burnsville, John Reynolds, Wm. Proffit, Sup.  
 Sulphur Spring, Anson W. Cumming.  
 Webster, George Spake.  
 Echota Mission, to be supplied.  
 Cheoa, to be supplied.  
 Waynesville Circuit, James R. Ballew.  
 Franklin, James R. Long.  
 Warm Spring Mission, to be supplied.  
 Holston Conference Female College, Francis M. Fanning, Agent.

Henry P. Waugh, Chaplain in C. S. Army.

JONESBORO DISTRICT.

*William H. Bates, P. E.*

Jonesboro Station, A. D. Stewart.  
 Jonesboro Circuit, James T. Smith.  
 Elizabethton, to be supplied.  
 Taylorsville, to be supplied.  
 Watauga, to be supplied, M. H. Spencer, Sup.  
 Fall Branch, to be supplied.  
 Rheatown, Enoch W. Moore.  
 St. Clair, to be supplied.  
 Greenville, to be supplied.  
 Newport, James Mahoney.

William G. Miller, transferred to Western Virginia Conference.

8.—MEMPHIS CONFERENCE.

HELD AT ABERDEEN, MISS., November 11-16, 1863.

BISHOP PAINE, *President*; W. C. JOHNSON, *Secretary*.\*

QUESTION 1. Who are admitted on trial?

ANSWER. Wilbur F. Mister, at Aberdeen; William T. C. Young, John F. Armstrong, at Cageville. 3.

Ques. 2. Who remain on trial?

James W. Honnell, John W. McIver, Matthew M. Taylor, at Aberdeen; James A. McClellan, at Cageville. 4.

\* On account of the state of the country, growing out of the war, the preachers in West Tennessee, (except the Memphis District,) and South-western Kentucky, held an advisory Conference at Cageville, Tenn., October 23-30, 1863—G. W. D. Harris, President, and J. H. Evans, Secretary. The Journal of their proceedings was presented to the Conference, and the Minutes, having been read and revised, were adopted, and are herewith incorporated.

Ques. 3. Who are admitted into full connection?

Bascom T. Pearson, John C. Lowe, at Aberdeen; Thomas M. Melugin, Marcus H. Cullom, Henry B. Avery, at Cageville. 5.

Ques. 4. Who are readmitted?

David M. K. Collins, in elder's orders, at Aberdeen. 1.

Ques. 5. Who are received by transfer from other Conferences?

James L. Denton, from the Arkansas Conference, at Aberdeen. 1.

Ques. 6. Who are the deacons of one year?

George W. Bachman,\* W. W. Pearson,\* Wm. L. Keistler, Thomas L. Duke, Robert G. Porter, Thomas H. Deavenport, at Aberdeen; Benjamin F. Peebles, Thomas C. Ellis, Joseph W. Poston, Robert H. Mahon, James R. Dycus, Benjamin B. Risenhoover, at Cageville. 12.

Ques. 7. What traveling preachers are elected and ordained deacons?

George W. Bachman,\* W. W. Pearson,\* Bascom T. Pearson, John C. Lowe, at Aberdeen; Thomas M. Melugin, Marcus H. Cullom, Henry B. Avery, at Cageville. 7.

Ques. 8. What local preachers are elected and ordained deacons?

Tilman Page, Jesse Hudgins, at Aberdeen. 2.

Ques. 9. What traveling preachers are elected and ordained elders?

John Barcroft, Daniel C. Johnson, Aaron K. Miller, John F. Markham, John W. Boswell, Fletcher C. Pearson,\* at Aberdeen; Jasper V. Fly,† James W. Matthis,† at Cageville. 8.

Ques. 10. What local preachers are elected and ordained elders?

None.

Ques. 11. Who have located this year?

None.

Ques. 12. Who are supernumerary?

Edmund J. Williams, Philip Tuggle, Michael J. Blackwell, James T. Talley, James M. Hampton, William S. Jones, Isaac Ebbert, Charles B. Harris, Thomas Joyner, Samuel B. Carson, Francis A. Owen, Thomas P. Davidson, at Aberdeen; Robert V. Taylor, John T. Baskerville, James Perry, William N. Morgan, James M. Scott, Benjamin H. Bishop; Nathan Sullivan, Elbridge L. Fisher, Romulus S. Swift, Peter J. Kelsey, Lorenzo Lea, Thomas G. Lane, Robert N. Tarrant, Wm. B. Ramsey, Simpson Weaver, at Cageville. 27.

Ques. 13. Who are superannuated?

William R. Dickey, Elias Tidwell, John Hunter, David C. Wells, Daniel F. Tabb, at Aberdeen; Jeremiah Moss, James M. Major, William D. Scott, John A. Vincent, at Cageville. 9.

Ques. 14. What preachers have died during the past year?

Benjamin T. Crouch, John H. Cooper, Jesse S. Smotherman, William C. Haskell, John Thomson. 5.

BENJAMIN T. CROUCH, son of the late eminent minister of the same name in Kentucky, was born and brought up in that State. In early life he embraced religion, and identified himself with the Church. He was admitted on trial in the Memphis Conference, at the session held at Paducah, Ky., in 1851; and after two or three years of acceptable and useful service, he volunteered to go as a missionary to California, where he labored faithfully and efficiently. In California he was married to her who now weeps in lonely widowhood. Subsequently he returned to the regular work in the Memphis Conference, and was diligently and successfully engaged in his ministerial labors, till the inauguration of the fearful war in which our country is now involved, when, actuated by pious and patriotic principles, he entered the service as Chaplain to Lieutenant-colonel Cavalry Battalion, and continued therewith when the command was reorganized as the First Tennessee Cavalry Regiment, under Colonel Jackson, to whom he acted also as volunteer aid in their several engagements with the enemy. Last spring he accompanied Major-general Van Dorn's command to Middle Tennessee, where he was placed on Brigadier-general Jackson's staff; and while gallantly leading a regiment in the memorable battle of Thompson's Station, he fell, pierced by a ball, and expired in a few moments. His companions in arms buried him decently in the cemetery at Spring Hill, Tenn., where his remains await the resurrection morn. Brother Crouch was of an exceedingly impulsive temperament—ardent in his feelings, social in his habits, and much devoted to his friends. He was also remarkable for his bravery, the thickly-flying missiles of death not in the least intimidating him, nor deterring him from the prompt and faithful performance of what he conscientiously regarded as his duty. Brigadier-general Jackson, who was his warm friend, has formally testified to his consistent Christian deportment, not only in the fatal hour of death, but also during his entire connection with the army. Besides, we learn that on the Sabbath before his death, he attended a quarterly-meeting and partook of the Lord's-supper, and afterward, in a conversation with the Presiding Elder, expressed himself as being better satisfied with his religious experience and prospects than he had been for a long time. As a minister, Brother Crouch was highly gifted. Enjoying the advantages of a liberal education, combined with extraordinary powers of speech, he occupied a prominent position on the walls of Zion. But he has gone to his reward, leaving an affectionate wife and several children, whom we commend in prayer to God and to the sympathy and kindness of the Church.

JOHN H. COOPER was a member of the Memphis Conference for seven or eight years. At the last session, he was appointed for the second year to the Coffeeville Circuit, where he died during last spring after a brief and almost painless illness. Closing his eyes, he went to sleep like a child, and he sleeps in Jesus. Brother

\* Previously elected.

† Elected, but not ordained.

Cooper was of a gentle and pleasant spirit. His ability in the pulpit was but ordinary; but his kind and prudent deportment in families, and among all with whom he associated, gave him a good degree of usefulness, and won for him the warm regards of all who knew him. He leaves no family, his wife and child having preceded him to the better land. His pious mother and two sisters are living in Middle Tennessee, being his only near relations.

JESSE S. SMOTHERMAN was admitted on trial in the Memphis Conference in the fall of 1854, at Somerville, Tenn., and continued a member till his departure to the spirit-land. He was a man of great moral worth, solid piety, and unassuming demeanor, so that he ever conducted himself with becoming propriety, constraining those by whom he was surrounded "to take knowledge of him that he had been with Jesus." His preaching was plain, practical, and forcible. He dealt not in rhetorical flourishes, but presented the truths of the gospel in their unadorned simplicity, aiming only at the glory of God and the salvation of souls. In the beginning of the present war, he entered the army and served as a private for one year, during which he acted well his part, particularly at the battle of Shiloh. Afterward he returned to the regular work of the ministry. His last appointment was to the Rienzi Circuit. For some time before his death, his health had become quite feeble. Disease made rapid encroachments upon his constitution, but he was permitted to reach his father's house, where, after a season of deep affliction, he calmly passed away as a faithful steward to receive his reward. May God bless his bereaved companion and other loved ones!

WILLIAM C. HASKELL was a son of the distinguished orator and politician, the late William T. Haskell, of Tennessee. He was blessed with a devoted Christian mother, who trained up her son in the way he should go, and her efforts were not lost upon him. In youth, he embraced the Saviour, and remained faithful through life. He was admitted on trial in the Memphis Conference, in the fall of 1861, at Jackson, Tenn., and was appointed Chaplain to the 154th Tennessee Regiment, in which capacity he commanded the respect of all and labored with great usefulness, exerting an influence for good upon the hearts and lives of those to whom he ministered in holy things. The exposures incident to camp life, and the performance of his duties as chaplain, proved too severe for his comparatively frail constitution. The hand of disease arrested him, and he was soon reduced to such an enfeebled state as only with great difficulty to be able to reach home. At the residence of the Rev. D. J. Allen he received from his mother and friends every attention necessary to soothe and comfort him in the final struggle. Death approached; but he was undismayed, and met the last enemy like a Christian philosopher. Brother Haskell was a young man of rare natural talents and uncommon mental attainments, and being of studious habits, he promised much

usefulness to the Church and the world. If he could have been spared, he would perhaps have been one of the brightest lights and one of the most gifted ministers in the Church of God. But He who "doeth all things well" brought his promising career to an early termination.

JOHN THOMSON was admitted on trial in the Memphis Conference, at Jackson, November, 1861. He traveled during part of his first year on the Trenton Circuit, but left his work on account of physical disability. Having been restored to health, he volunteered in the service of his country. He was killed instantly in the battle of Chickamauga, September, 1863—the fatal ball passing directly through his heart. He died exclaiming, "Lord Jesus, receive my spirit!" Brother Thomson was a young man of much promise, deeply pious, of liberal education, and studious habits. Could he have lived, we doubt not the Church would have been greatly blessed by his labors; but he has been called to his reward on high.

Ques. 15. 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 R. Dycus, against whom complaints were made; and he being absent, his case was referred to the Presiding Elder of the Dresden District for investigation before a committee of traveling preachers.

Ques. 16. What is the number of preachers and members in the several circuits, stations, and missions of the Conference?

Memphis District.

	White Mem's.	White Prob's.	Col'd Mem's.	Col'd Prob's.	Loc'l Pr's.
<b>Memphis:</b>					
Wesley Chapel.....	375	.....	.....	.....	4
Asbury Chapel.....	319	.....	.....	.....	2
Asbury Col'd Miss...	.....	.....	109	.....	.....
Greenwood and Collins Chapel.....	51	.....	140	39	1
Union Street Church	51	2	.....	.....	2
Hernando and Hinds Chapel.....	152	.....	75	.....	2
Olive Branch.....	291	.....	.....	.....	6
Olive Branch Colored Mission.....	.....	.....	202	.....	.....
Edgewood and Forest Chapel (no report)...	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
	1239	2	526	39	17

Somerville District.

Somerville Station.....	88	6	45	.....	.....
Wesley.....	686	100	.....	.....	9
Wesley Col'd Mission..	.....	.....	403	12	.....
La Grange.....	268	65	.....	33	6
La Grange Col'd Miss..	.....	.....	198	.....	.....
Macon.....	389	.....	.....	.....	3
Cypress (no report)....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Macon Col'd Mission...	.....	.....	145	40	.....
Raleigh.....	138	.....	34	.....	2
Brownsville and Prospect.....	88	38	100	36	.....
Brownsville Circuit.....	675	163	89	6	8
Mount Zion.....	320	90	.....	.....	5
Mount Zion Col'd Miss..	.....	.....	208	18	.....
Randolph Mission.....	150	31	6	15	2
	2802	493	1228	160	35

Jackson District.

	White Mem's.	White Prob's.	Col'd Mem's.	Col'd Prob's.	Loc'l Pr's.
Jackson Station.....	230	.....	42	4	1
Jackson Circuit.....	358	60	.....	.....	4
Jackson Col'd Mission.....	.....	.....	129	18	.....
Mount Pinson.....	354	15	.....	.....	4
Denmark.....	496	37	174	.....	2
Cageville.....	650	140	50	50	11
Dyersburg Station.....	50	1	30	.....	.....
Dyersburg Circuit.....	746	129	83	10	10
Madrid Bend.....	200	15	8	.....	2
<b>Total</b>	<b>3084</b>	<b>397</b>	<b>516</b>	<b>82</b>	<b>34</b>

Holly Springs District.

	White Mem's.	White Prob's.	Col'd Mem's.	Col'd Prob's.	Loc'l Pr's.
Holly Springs Station.....	160	19	71	10	3
Holly Springs Circuit.....	184	3	65	10	2
Byhalia.....	278	.....	163	.....	4
Chulahoma.....	664	112	55	10	3
Chulahoma Col'd Mission (no report).....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Sardis.....	273	35	288	66	.....
Marshall.....	444	25	277	41	3
Salem.....	225	81	50	.....	2
Ripley.....	200	9	.....	.....	3
Hickory Flat.....	214	55	.....	.....	5
<b>Total</b>	<b>2642</b>	<b>339</b>	<b>969</b>	<b>137</b>	<b>25</b>

Trenton District.

	White Mem's.	White Prob's.	Col'd Mem's.	Col'd Prob's.	Loc'l Pr's.
Trenton & Humboldt.....	108	18	28	.....	1
Trenton Circuit.....	814	60	100	.....	18
Paris Station.....	100	15	40	20	1
Paris Circuit.....	987	100	150	.....	13
Huntingdon.....	300	15	25	.....	6
Pleasant Plains.....	450	75	62	.....	7
Camden.....	385	40	9	.....	2
Morgan's Creek Miss.....	379	30	6	.....	5
Lexington.....	310	13	12	.....	8
Obion Mission.....	326	16	3	.....	4
Decaturville.....	850	25	15	.....	14
<b>Total</b>	<b>5009</b>	<b>407</b>	<b>450</b>	<b>20</b>	<b>79</b>

Mississippi Bottom District.

	White Mem's.	White Prob's.	Col'd Mem's.	Col'd Prob's.	Loc'l Pr's.
Commerce.....	14	1	83	.....	.....
Tunica.....	59	17	23	60	.....
Friar's Point.....	94	7	42	7	1
Richland.....	31	8	75	.....	.....
Concordia.....	61	20	42	22	.....
Beulah Circuit and Colored Mission.....	9	.....	24	.....	.....
Hushpuckany Mission (no report).....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
<b>Total</b>	<b>268</b>	<b>53</b>	<b>289</b>	<b>89</b>	<b>1</b>

Dresden District.

	White Mem's.	White Prob's.	Col'd Mem's.	Col'd Prob's.	Loc'l Pr's.
Dresden Station.....	40	25	25	35	.....
Dresden Circuit.....	744	63	26	.....	13
Hickman Station.....	65	3	28	11	2
Hickman Circuit.....	729	126	72	17	9
Clinton.....	737	134	2	30	19
Benton.....	600	75	7	.....	7
Bryansburg.....	425	24	8	.....	9
Murray.....	800	10	.....	.....	10
Paducah Station.....	195	30	84	8	3
Paducah Mission.....	332	74	21	9	5
<b>Total</b>	<b>4667</b>	<b>564</b>	<b>273</b>	<b>110</b>	<b>77</b>

Recapitulation.

	White Mem's.	White Prob's.	Col'd Mem's.	Col'd Prob's.	Loc'l Pr's.
Memphis District.....	1239	2	526	39	17
Somerville ".....	2802	493	1228	160	35
Jackson ".....	3084	397	516	82	34
Trenton ".....	5009	407	450	20	79
Dresden ".....	4667	564	273	110	77
Iuka ".....	2978	420	177	3	39
Aberdeen ".....	2287	402	1439	203	26
Grenada ".....	2152	381	587	65	32
Holly Springs ".....	2642	339	969	137	25
Miss. Bottom ".....	268	53	289	89	1
<b>Total this year.....</b>	<b>27,128</b>	<b>3458</b>	<b>7454</b>	<b>908</b>	<b>375</b>
<b>Total last year.....</b>	<b>28,215</b>	<b>2932</b>	<b>6055</b>	<b>978</b>	<b>365</b>
Increase.....	.....	526	1399	.....	10
Decrease.....	1,087	.....	.....	70	.....

Iuka District.

	White Mem's.	White Prob's.	Col'd Mem's.	Col'd Prob's.	Loc'l Pr's.
Iuka.....	431	25	24	.....	3
Corinth.....	72	.....	31	.....	2
Rienzi.....	610	87	30	.....	8
Middleton.....	504	40	16	.....	5
Rock Springs.....	417	81	19	.....	8
Montezuma.....	296	70	7	3	4
Jack's Creek Mission.....	45	50	.....	.....	1
Adamsville.....	440	36	38	.....	7
Good Springs.....	163	31	12	.....	1
<b>Total</b>	<b>2978</b>	<b>420</b>	<b>177</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>39</b>

Aberdeen District.

	White Mem's.	White Prob's.	Col'd Mem's.	Col'd Prob's.	Loc'l Pr's.
Aberdeen Station.....	175	25	.....	.....	4
Aberdeen Col'd Miss.....	.....	.....	290	31	.....
Aberdeen Circuit.....	120	15	15	2	1
Prairie Col'd Mission.....	.....	.....	334	101	.....
Houston.....	567	51	216	15	11
Okolona.....	235	24	320	30	3
Fulton.....	332	147	137	.....	7
Baldwin.....	257	34	37	.....	3
Pontotoc Circuit and Colored Mission.....	601	106	90	24	7
<b>Total</b>	<b>2287</b>	<b>402</b>	<b>1439</b>	<b>203</b>	<b>36</b>

Grenada District.

	White Mem's.	White Prob's.	Col'd Mem's.	Col'd Prob's.	Loc'l Pr's.
Grenada Station.....	95	1	.....	.....	.....
Grenada Col'd Mission.....	.....	.....	48	14	.....
Grenada Circuit.....	165	3	104	.....	3
Coffeerville.....	338	64	.....	.....	5
Coffeerville Col'd Miss.....	.....	.....	104	.....	.....
Calhoun.....	550	186	75	50	8
Oxford Station.....	69	5	18	1	2
Oxford Circuit.....	588	70	163	.....	9
Panola.....	240	35	.....	.....	4
Charleston.....	107	17	75	.....	1
<b>Total</b>	<b>2152</b>	<b>381</b>	<b>587</b>	<b>65</b>	<b>32</b>

Ques. 17. What amounts are necessary for the superannuated preachers, and the widows and orphans of preachers, and to make up the deficiencies of those who have not obtained their regular allowance in their respective districts, circuits, and stations?

\$5962.

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

Collected, at Aberdeen, \$3016 50  
at Cageville, 605 30

\$3621 80

Applied to claims of Bishop Soule, widows and orphans of preachers, and to make up deficiencies of superannuated and other preachers.

Ques. 19. What has been contributed for the Missionary, Sunday-school, and Tract Societies? For Missions, \$9972 70  
For Sunday-schools, 97 00

\$10,069 70

Ques. 20. Where and when shall the next session of the Conference be held?

At Aberdeen, it was resolved to meet at Brownsville, Tenn., provided the Federal lines



should be north of that place; otherwise, at Aberdeen, Miss.; and, in case neither should be convenient, the Bishop appointed to preside was authorized to select a place of meeting. At Cageville, Brownsville, Tenn., was selected, provided the Conference at Aberdeen should so order.

Ques. 21. Where are the preachers stationed this year?

MEMPHIS DISTRICT.

*Samuel Watson, P. E.*

Memphis:

Wesley Chapel, D. J. Allen.  
 Asbury Chapel and Colored Mission, J. W. Knott.  
 Greenwood and Collins Chapel, G. K. Brooks.  
 Capers Chapel, J. L. Denton.  
 Hernando and Hinds Chapel, F. A. Wilkerson, E. J. Williams, Sup.  
 Olive Branch, W. C. Green, Philip Tuggle, Sup.  
 Book and Tract Depository, Samuel Watson, Agent.  
 State Female College, Charles Collins, President.

GRENADA DISTRICT.

*Turner P. Holman, P. E.*

Grenada Station, Amos Kendall.  
 Grenada Circuit, S. W. Moore.  
 Coffeerville, J. A. Fife.  
 Coffeeville Colored Mission, Robert Martin.  
 Calhoun, J. F. Markham, L. H. Davis, J. M. Hampton, Sup.  
 Oxford Station, John Barcroft.  
 Oxford Circuit, M. D. Fly, W. S. Jones, Sup.  
 Panola, B. W. Stubbs, A. H. Thomas, J. W. Bates, Sup.  
 Charleston, D. M. K. Collins, Isaac Ebbert, Sup.

HOLLY SPRINGS DISTRICT.

*John Moss, P. E.*

Holly Springs Station, J. H. Brooks.  
 Holly Springs Circuit, Elias Jackson, C. B. Harris, Sup.  
 Byhalia, R. A. Neblett.  
 Byhalia Female Institute, P. J. Eckles, President.  
 Chulahoma, A. P. Sage, J. W. Boswell.  
 Chulahoma Colored Mission, Joseph Johnson.  
 Sardis, W. S. Harrison, D. C. Johnson.  
 Marshall, J. E. Douglass, M. H. Ford, Thomas Joyner, Sup.  
 Salem, A. K. Miller, S. B. Carson, Sup.  
 Ripley, to be supplied.  
 Hickory Flat, J. P. Dancer.

IUKA DISTRICT.

*W. T. Harris, P. E.*

Iuka Circuit, Reuben Ellis.  
 Corinth, to be supplied.  
 Rienzi, James Gaines.  
 Middleton, to be supplied.

Rock Springs, T. J. Gooch.  
 Montezuma, Henry Bell.  
 Jack's Creek Mission, to be supplied.  
 Adamsville, R. G. Rainey.  
 Good Springs, to be supplied.

ABERDEEN DISTRICT.

*J. T. Merriwether, P. E.*

Aberdeen Station, A. J. See.  
 Aberdeen Colored Mission, John Young.  
 Aberdeen Circuit, C. D. N. Campbell.  
 Prairie Colored Mission, T. J. Lowry.  
 Houston, J. T. C. Collins.  
 Pontotoc, H. D. Howell, T. L. Duke,\* M. J. Blackwell, Sup.  
 Okolona, J. M. Spence, J. M. Barton, Sup.  
 Fulton, W. L. Kistler.  
 Baldwin, W. W. Pearson, J. T. Talley, Sup.

MISSISSIPPI BOTTOM DISTRICT.

*C. C. Glover, P. E.*

Tunica Circuit and Commerce Colored Mission, M. M. Dunn, F. A. Owen, Sup.  
 Friar's Point, J. C. Lowe, T. P. Davidson, Sup.  
 Richland, G. W. Bachman.  
 Hushpuckany, William McMahon.  
 Concordia, F. C. Pearson, B. T. Pearson.

DYERSBURG DISTRICT.

*G. W. D. Harris, P. E.*

Dyersburg Circuit, R. H. Burns, R. N. Tarrant.  
 Madrid Bend, to be supplied.  
 Brownsville and Prospect Station, J. H. Evans, B. H. Bishop, Sup.  
 Brownsville Circuit, R. A. Umsted, J. F. Armstrong, J. M. Scott, Sup.  
 Obion Mission, H. B. Avery.

SOMERVILLE DISTRICT.

*L. D. Mullins, P. E.*

Somerville Station, R. H. Mahon, R. V. Taylor, Sup.  
 La Grange Circuit, J. W. Poston, W. N. Morgan, Sup.  
 La Grange Colored Mission, N. A. D. Bryant.  
 Macon Circuit, T. L. Boswell, W. D. F. Hafford.  
 Macon Colored Mission, J. W. Walkup.  
 Wesley Circuit, M. H. Cullom, one to be supplied, J. Perry, Sup.  
 Wesley Colored Mission, to be supplied, J. T. Baskerville, Sup.  
 Mount Zion Circuit, F. M. Morris.  
 Mount Zion Colored Mission, to be supplied.  
 Randolph, J. H. Garrett.  
 Cypress Mission, W. M. McFerrin.  
 Raleigh, J. W. Shelton.

JACKSON DISTRICT.

*W. H. Leigh, P. E.*

Jackson Station, A. C. Smith, L. Lea, Sup.  
 Jackson Circuit, C. J. Mauldin, B. A. Hayes, T. G. Lane, Sup.

\* In the C. S. Army.

Mount Pinson, W. T. C. Young.  
 Lexington, B. Medlin, P. J. Kelsey, Sup.  
 Decaturville, J. D. Slaughter.  
 Denmark, J. R. Sykes.  
 Cageville, N. P. Ramsay.  
 Memphis Conference Female Institute, A. W.  
 Jones, President.

## TRENTON DISTRICT.

*E. E. Hamilton, P. E.*

Trenton Station, J. W. Matthis.  
 Trenton Circuit, H. B. Covington, N. Sullivan,  
 Sup.  
 Paris Station, J. B. Harris.  
 Paris Circuit, J. H. Witt, B. F. Peebles,\* W. B.  
 Ramsay, Sup.  
 Pleasant Plains, M. M. Taylor, T. C. Ellis.\*  
 Huntingdon, T. M. Melugin, E. L. Fisher, Sup.  
 Camden, to be supplied.  
 Morgan's Creek Mission, J. V. Fly.

## DRESDEN DISTRICT.

*Finley Bynum, P. E.*

Dresden Station, R. S. Harris.  
 Dresden Circuit, John Randle.  
 Hickman Station, E. B. Plummer.

Hickman Circuit, J. M. Flatt, J. A. McClellan.\*  
 Clinton, A. B. Sollers.  
 Benton, A. L. Hunsaker.  
 Bryansburg, J. R. Dycus, one to be supplied.  
 Murray, M. D. Robinson.  
 Paducah Station, E. C. Slater.  
 Paducah Circuit, to be supplied, S. Weaver, Sup.  
 Columbus Station, to be supplied.

R. G. Porter, Chaplain Tenth Mississippi Regiment.

W. B. Owen, Chaplain Seventeenth Mississippi Regiment.

T. H. Deavenport, Chaplain Third Tennessee Regiment.

J. B. McCutchen, Chaplain Seventh Kentucky Regiment.

W. J. Mahon, Chaplain Thirteenth Tennessee Regiment.

J. W. McIver, Chaplain Twelfth Mississippi Regiment.

W. C. Johnson, Missionary Chaplain to Major-general S. D. Lee's command, and attached to Holly Springs Station Quarterly Conference.

James G. Acton, transferred to South Carolina Conference.

R. C. Alexander, transferred to Louisville Conference.

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## 9.—MISSISSIPPI CONFERENCE.

[NO MINUTES FOR 1863 RECEIVED.]

## 10.—LOUISIANA CONFERENCE.

[NO MINUTES FOR 1863 RECEIVED.]

## 11.—VIRGINIA CONFERENCE.

HELD AT RICHMOND, VA., *November 18-26, 1863.*BISHOP PIERCE, *President*; PAUL WHITEHEAD, *Secretary*.

QUESTION 1. Who are admitted on trial?

ANSWER. Robert Hardie, Jr., Wesley Hammond, Thomas P. Wise, Francis M. Edwards, Thomas M. Beckham, William S. Williams. 6.

Ques. 2. Who remain on trial?

Joseph E. Martin, Wilbur F. Robins, William E. Edwards, Robert A. Compton, Joseph B. Merritt, Henry C. Bowles, E. N. S. Blogg. 7.

Ques. 3. Who are admitted into full connection?

Adam C. Bledsoe, Wesley C. Vaden, George N. Guy, John W. Tucker. 4.

Ques. 4. Who are readmitted?

James McAdin, George B. Allen. 2.

Ques. 5. Who are received by transfer from other Conferences?

None.

Ques. 6. Who are the deacons of one year?

James W. Connelly, Robert L. Scott, John S. Lindsay, James L. Shipley, James W. Compton, George M. Robertson, James W. Grant, James M. Anderson, William W. Spain, James C. Martin. 10.

Ques. 7. What traveling preachers are elected and ordained deacons?

Adam C. Bledsoe, Wesley C. Vaden, George N. Guy, John W. Tucker. 4.

Ques. 8. What local preachers are elected and ordained deacons?

Joseph R. Griffith, Robert Hardie, Jr., John A. Jefferson, Charles Cottrell, William Bartlan, George Slaughter, Thomas M. Beckham, John V. Crute, Allen J. Thomas. 9.

Ques. 9. What traveling preachers are elected and ordained elders?

George E. Booker, William H. Camper, John G. Bailey, Jacob H. Proctor, James C. Watson, Edgar H. Pritchett, Lewis H. Greybill, Joseph A. Crowder, William E. Allen, Charles V. Bingley, Larkin H. Crenshaw, James A. Crowder, William I. Hunter, John W. F. Jones, George C. Vanderslice, James P. Garland, William W. Duncan. 17.

Ques. 10. What local preachers are elected and ordained elders?

Francis M. Edwards, Thomas M. Newsom, Henry E. Johnson, Hartwell T. Pryor,\* John H. Forbes.\* 5.

Ques. 11. Who have located this year?  
None.

Ques. 12. Who are supernumerary?

Samuel T. Moorman, James F. Brannin, Hartwell H. Gary, Z. E. Harrison, Joseph Spriggs, Bedford B. Shelton, John D. Southall, James L. Spencer, William H. Starr, James H. Jefferson, John P. Woodward, Alexander Stewart, Jesse K. Powers, John C. Garlick, Isaac M. Arnold, Allen R. Bernard, William J. Norfleet, William W. Spain, D. J. C. Slaughter, B. F. Woodward, James A. Riddick, Andrew J. Beckwith, William Carter, Thomas H. Haynes. 24.

Ques. 13. Who are superannuated?

William A. Robinson, Humphrey Billups, Joseph Carson, Benjamin Devany, John Kerr, Matthew M. Dance, George W. S. Harper, Minton Thrift, Robert Scott, B. M. Williams. 10.

Ques. 14. What preachers have died during the past year?

George W. Charlton, John Williamson.\* 2.

GEORGE W. CHARLTON breathed his last, at his residence, in the city of Petersburg, Va., in February, 1863. He was born in Williamsburg, Sept. 26, 1796. Of his early life we possess no authentic information, except that his family occupied an honorable social position. He was converted to God in the city of Norfolk, when about nineteen years of age. He was admitted on trial into the Virginia Conference in 1818, and was appointed to Suffolk and Princess Anne Circuit; and in 1819, to Raleigh City and Circuit. In 1820, he was admitted into full connection, ordained deacon, and appointed to Cumberland Circuit; and in 1822, to Lynchburg. In 1822, he was ordained elder, and reappointed to Lynchburg. He located in 1823, was readmitted in 1824, and successively filled the following appointments: Petersburg, in 1824-5; Raleigh, in 1826; and Shockoe Hill, Richmond, in 1827. He located again, in 1828, and in the following year was united in marriage to Mrs. Martha R. Wright, of Greensville, Va., where he remained, preaching at intervals, until his removal to Petersburg, in 1840, where he resided until his death, occasionally fulfilling

\*Elected, but not ordained.

\*No memoir.

the duties of the ministry. During this period he was again readmitted into the Conference, and was continued from year to year in the supernumerary and superannuated relations, receiving, however, no portion of the Conference dividends for his support, his private means being amply sufficient for that purpose. He was endowed with extraordinary abilities as a pulpit orator. He possessed a happy combination of those higher elements which give a commanding position to a public speaker. He was well-read, and thoroughly conversant with the doctrines of the Methodist Church. He had a refined and elegant taste, and had cultivated in no small degree the graces of polite literature. His presence in the pulpit was imposing, his manner was grave and dignified, his modulations were stately, his conceptions were often gorgeous, and his diction splendid. In his palmy days few surpassed him in the brilliancy of his declamation, the grandeur of his periods, or in those bursts of genuine eloquence which are characteristic only of true genius. The accuracy of these statements will be attested by many now living. In addition to these exalted gifts, he frequently exhibited in the pulpit a talent not always so easily controlled or so felicitous in its display: we mean the power of invective. His satire was bold and scathing; his philippics were startling and terrible. He knew his power, and did not hesitate to hazard its weapons against the manners of the age, whether in circles of high or low degree, at the risk of exciting a commotion amongst the wounded victims. We will not attempt to say that his thunderbolts were always hurled with discretion; but this we will say, upon authority, that during his former connection with the Virginia Conference his preaching was attended with glorious results. Multitudes, through his instrumentality, were brought to the knowledge of the truth, and became distinguished ornaments of the Church of God. He was the honored instrument, amongst others, of establishing the Methodist Church in Lynchburg. A powerful revival attended his ministry in that place. Many of the principal citizens were converted, were added to the Church, adorned their profession, and have long since entered into rest. Some still survive whose moral and social work add luster both to the Church and to the community. He was a sincere Christian, a firm believer in the vital doctrines of the Bible, a fast friend, and an uncompromising Methodist. He yielded to no one in his attachment to the institutions of the Church, or in the promptness with which he defended them. Yet he was a man of great peculiarities of temperament. His emotions were naturally strong and impulsive, and displayed themselves especially in the vivacity and vehemence of conversation, and in those outspoken sentiments which a more calculating prudence in others induces them to suppress. These susceptibilities were more or less inseparable from the peculiar type of his constitution, and were at times enhanced by a disease which had been for years undermining it. Abating occasional severity, his conversa-

tional powers were the charm of the social circle, in which piquancy, wit, and repartee, seldom equaled, played a conspicuous part. Had he been a man of the world, he would have been celebrated for this faculty alone, and his company would have been solicited at the entertainments of the rich and great. To his honor be it said, no man was ever more affected by the appeals of suffering humanity, or more ready to respond to them. His last years were saddened by a chronic affection, which gave him equal pain and inconvenience, and totally unfitted him for any public duty. Under its blighting influence his once robust constitution gradually declined. His visits to the last session of our Conference evinced to all that he was passing away. A little upward of two months, and he was no more. A short time before his death he took his accustomed walks, and then withdrew, never to repeat them. From his eldest daughter have been received the following facts: "He was sick only one week. From the first day of his illness he seemed to be impressed with the idea that he was soon to die, and with a calm and hopeful spirit he looked upon the grave as a sweet repose from the sorrows of earth. His sufferings were very intense during the entire time, but he spent much of it in earnest prayer, often audibly breathed, and many expressions of his resignation to God's will fell from his lips. Twice he asked me if I thought he murmured; said his sufferings were intense, but they would soon be over, and that God's grace was sufficient to enable him to bear them. When so weak that I raised his head to give him water, he said, 'I am weak, but God is strong. The grave has no gloom for me.' He would often look lovingly at us, and say, 'God bless you, my children; I shall soon leave you alone; I shall soon be free of pain for ever.' He finally became, for the most part, unconscious, spoke but little, intelligibly, afterward, and closed his eyes upon the light of this world, to open them, as we doubt not, upon the glories of the world to come." His funeral services were conducted in the Market Street Church, in Petersburg, in the presence of a large and deeply solemn congregation, and his remains were deposited in the old Blandford Cemetery, where they await the summons of the archangel's trumpet. Thus has set one of those stars which formerly shone so resplendently in the horizon of Methodism in Virginia, and whose luster is so well remembered. His widow and three daughters survive him.

Ques. 15. 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 George F. Doggett, who was tried and expelled, and of Francis J. Boggs, whose case was referred to the Presiding Elder of the Richmond District for investigation.

Ques. 16. What is the number of preachers and members in the several circuits, stations, and missions of the Conference?

Richmond District.

	White Mem's.	White Prob's.	Col'd Mem's.	Col'd Prob's.	Loc'l Pr's.
Richmond:					
Centenary.....	252	28	.....	.....	2
Sidney.....	54	5	.....	.....	.....
African Mission.....	.....	.....	370	.....	.....
Clay Street.....	211	18	.....	.....	.....
Oregon.....	89	4	.....	.....	.....
Broad Street.....	218	14	.....	.....	2
Trinity.....	260	30	.....	.....	3
Rocketts.....	20	1	.....	.....	.....
Union.....	382	99	.....	.....	3
Manchester.....	245	19	.....	.....	.....
Peninsula Mission.....	196	2	20	.....	1
Gloucester.....	572	.....	2	.....	3
Matthews.....	650	.....	13	.....	4
King William.....	225	8	5	.....	2
King and Queen.....	462	74	9	.....	4
Middlesex.....	286	27	2	.....	.....
Lancaster.....	300	70	100	.....	2
Westmoreland.....	413	10	1	.....	1
King George.....	245	20	3	.....	1
Caroline.....	315	68	3	2	3
	5395	497	528	2	31

Charlottesville District.

	White Mem's.	White Prob's.	Col'd Mem's.	Col'd Prob's.	Loc'l Pr's.
Charlottesville.....	137	19	14	.....	1
Albemarle.....	516	10	24	.....	1
Nelson.....	212	32	10	1	.....
Batesville.....	270	.....	31	1	.....
Scottsville.....	388	44	.....	.....	3
Fluvanna.....	268	.....	44	2	.....
Goochland.....	243	.....	.....	.....	1
Hanover.....	475	34	.....	.....	3
Louisa.....	415	80	10	.....	2
Orange.....	160	.....	.....	.....	.....
Madison.....	345	15	6	1	.....
Piedmont.....	225	24	2	.....	.....
Harrisonburg.....	105	2	.....	.....	1
Elk Run and Graves Chapel.....	109	10	10	.....	.....
	3928	270	151	5	12

Farmville District.

	White Mem's.	White Prob's.	Col'd Mem's.	Col'd Prob's.	Loc'l Pr's.
Farmville.....	113	12	50	2	.....
Prince Edward.....	409	80	75	227	2
Charlotte.....	212	23	50	15	.....
Lunenburg.....	325	40	12	.....	.....
Randolph-Macon Col- lege and Boynton.....	54	16	5	2	2
Randolph-Macon Cir....	217	3	24	.....	2
Union and Clarksville..	95	51	8	4	1
Mecklenburg.....	623	106	11	.....	2
Mecklenburg Col. Miss. (no report).....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Nottoway.....	339	60	40	.....	2
Amelia.....	282	46	19	3	4
Powhatan.....	178	71	3	1	3
Brunswick.....	679	126	32	.....	5
	3526	634	329	254	23

Petersburg District.

	White Mem's.	White Prob's.	Col'd Mem's.	Col'd Prob's.	Loc'l Pr's.
Petersburg:					
Washington Street...	442	.....	.....	.....	2
Union Street.....	.....	.....	428	17	.....
Market Street.....	225	4	.....	.....	2
High Street.....	230	70	.....	.....	1
City Mission.....	53	18	.....	.....	.....
Ettricks.....	90	37	.....	.....	2
Blandford.....	38	9	.....	.....	.....
Chesterfield.....	385	69	3	.....	5
Coalfield.....	165	33	1	.....	3
Dinwiddie.....	469	80	4	32	6
Sussex.....	539	48	6	3	4
Prince George.....	130	10	.....	.....	.....
Surry.....	180	15	25	14	2
Smithfield.....	300	.....	.....	.....	2

Petersburg District, (continued.)

	White Mem's.	White Prob's.	Col'd Mem's.	Col'd Prob's.	Loc'l Pr's.
Southampton.....	444	72	62	4	2
Murfreesboro.....	160	10	40	4	.....
Bertie.....	325	17	75	3	.....
Northampton.....	487	30	16	.....	3
Greensville.....	240	36	22	.....	.....
	4902	558	682	77	34

Lynchburg District.

	White Mem's.	White Prob's.	Col'd Mem's.	Col'd Prob's.	Loc'l Pr's.
Lynchburg:					
Centenary.....	239	24	.....	.....	1
African Col'd Miss... Court Street.....	.....	.....	111	.....	.....
City Mission.....	198	29	.....	.....	1
Amherst.....	.....	.....	200	32	.....
Buffalo.....	572	69	9	.....	3
Lexington.....	288	36	3	.....	1
Fincaastle.....	344	37	52	3	2
Bedford.....	178	55	1	3	2
Staunton.....	648	93	44	.....	2
Campbell.....	495	69	.....	.....	.....
Appomattox.....	497	61	60	2	3
Buckingham.....	250	13	40	3	1
Slate River.....	370	36	15	.....	2
Cumberland.....	112	30	.....	.....	.....
	218	61	6	.....	1
	4409	613	541	43	19

Danville District.

	White Mem's.	White Prob's.	Col'd Mem's.	Col'd Prob's.	Loc'l Pr's.
Danville.....	140	45	.....	.....	.....
Pittsylvania.....	308	31	13	.....	3
Henry.....	312	3	32	1	2
Patrick.....	128	.....	.....	.....	.....
Dan River.....	120	12	9	.....	.....
Franklin.....	439	28	62	.....	4
Alleghany Mission.....	288	15	17	12	1
South Staunton.....	275	.....	7	.....	2
Halifax.....	325	53	125	16	.....
Ringgold Mission.....	62	19	.....	.....	.....
South of Dan.....	280	33	59	13	2
	2677	239	324	42	14

Miscellaneous Appointments within the Federal Lines.

	White Mem's.	White Prob's.	Col'd Mem's.	Col'd Prob's.	Loc'l Pr's.
Edenton.....	50	.....	90	.....	.....
Pungoteague.....	316	.....	.....	.....	3
Atlantic.....	250	50	.....	.....	1
Clarke.....	46	.....	5	.....	.....
	662	50	95	.....	4

Recapitulation.

	White Mem's.	White Prob's.	Col'd Mem's.	Col'd Prob's.	Loc'l Pr's.
Richmond District.....	5395	497	528	2	31
Lynchburg ".....	4409	613	541	43	19
Danville ".....	2677	239	324	42	14
Charlottesville ".....	3928	270	151	5	12
Farmville ".....	3526	634	329	254	23
Petersburg ".....	4902	558	682	77	34
Miscellaneous Appoint- ments.....	662	50	95	.....	4
Total this year.....	25,499	2361	2650	423	137
Total last year.....	36,658	1302	6054	295	183
Increase.....	.....	1559	.....	128	.....
Decrease.....	11,159	.....	3404	.....	46

Ques. 17. What amounts are necessary for the superannuated preachers, and the widows and orphans of preachers, and to make up the deficiencies of those who have not obtained their regular allowance in their respective districts, circuits, and stations?

\$11,020 50.

Ques. 18. What has been collected on the foregoing accounts, and how has it been applied?  
 Collected, \$24,122 45  
 On hand from last year, 1,969 37

\$26,091 82

Applied as follows:

Appropriated to the support of the Bishops, 2,200 00  
 Distributed to superannuated preachers, and the widows and orphans, and deficient preachers, 8,820 50  
 Special appropriations, 13,795 30  
 Balance on hand, undistributed, 1,275 02

\$26,091 82

Ques. 19. What has been contributed for the Missionary, Sunday-school, and Tract Societies? For Missions, \$54,592 02

Ques. 20. Where and when shall the next session of the Conference be held?  
 At Lynchburg, Va.

Ques. 21. Where are the preachers stationed this year?

#### RICHMOND DISTRICT.

*James D. Coulling, P. E.*

Richmond:

{ Centenary, David S. Doggett.  
 { African Mission, George W. Nolley.  
 { Oregon, to be supplied.  
 { Clay Street, William H. Christian, S. T. Moorman, Sup.  
 { Sidney, James W. Grant.  
 Broad Street, James A. Duncan.  
 Trinity, John E. Edwards, John Bayley.  
 Rockett's Mission, to be supplied.  
 Union, George H. Ray, A. J. Beckwith, Sup.  
 Manchester, to be supplied, T. H. Haynes, Sup.  
 Peninsula Mission, Aaron Boon, T. P. Wise.  
 Gloucester, John W. Tucker.  
 Matthews, James D. Lumsden.  
 King William, to be supplied.  
 King and Queen, John G. Rowe.  
 Middlesex, Hezekiah P. Mitchell.  
 Lancaster, John M. Saunders.  
 Westmoreland, William F. Bain.  
 King George, James S. Porter.  
 Caroline, B. H. Johnson.  
 Camps and Hospitals in and around Richmond, George W. Langhorne.  
 Soldiers' Tract Association, William W. Bennett, Superintendent; John B. Laurens, John B. Dey, Agents.  
 Richmond Christian Advocate, James A. Duncan, Editor.  
 F. J. Boggs.\*

#### CHARLOTTESVILLE DISTRICT.

*Joseph H. Davis, P. E.*

Charlottesville, John S. Lindsay.  
 Albemarle, Henry C. Cheatham, W. F. Robins.  
 Nelson, William H. Camper.

\* In the C. S. Army.

Batesville, George C. Vanderslice.  
 Scottsville, Paul Whitehead, H. H. Gary, Sup.  
 Fluvanna, William I. Hunter.  
 Goochland, Henry M. Linney.  
 Hanover, William G. Lumpkin.  
 Louisa, Davis P. Wills.  
 Orange, Joseph S. R. Clarke.  
 Madison, Edgar H. Pritchett.  
 { Greene, James O. Moss, Z. E. Harrison, Sup.  
 { Piedmont Mission, James F. Finnell.  
 Harrisonburg and Bridgewater, C. V. Bingley.  
 Elk Run, James M. Anderson.

#### FARMVILLE DISTRICT.

*Nelson Head, P. E.*

Farmville, William E. Judkins.  
 Prince Edward, J. Manning, T. M. Beckham.  
 Charlotte, John F. Poulton, William S. Williams, J. D. Southall, Sup.  
 Lunenburg, Robert Michaels, Joseph B. Merritt.  
 Randolph-Macon and Boydton, J. L. Shipley.  
 Randolph-Macon Circuit, James C. Watson.  
 Union and Clarksville, Wesley C. Vaden, James Jamieson.  
 Mecklenburg, Thomas J. Bayton, Henry C. Bowles, W. W. Spain, Sup.  
 Nottoway, William G. Cross, J. L. Spencer, Sup.  
 Amelia, Oscar Littleton, William H. Starr, Sup., William J. Norfleet, Sup.  
 Powhatan, James W. Blincoe.  
 Brunswick, Lemuel S. Reid, R. A. Compton.  
 Randolph-Macon College, W. A. Smith, President.

#### FREDERICKSBURG DISTRICT.

*P. E., to be supplied.*

Fredericksburg, to be supplied.  
 Fauquier, to be supplied.  
 Rappahannock, to be supplied.  
 Culpepper, James F. Brannin, Sup.  
 Loudon and Leesburg, to be supplied.  
 Warrenton and Clarke, Jacob H. Proctor.  
 Alexandria, to be supplied.  
 Fairfax, to be supplied.  
 Stafford, James H. Crown.  
 Spottsylvania, John P. Brock.

#### PETERSBURG DISTRICT.

*Henry B. Cowles, P. E.*

Petersburg:

Washington Street, William H. Wheelwright, Thomas H. Early.  
 { Union Street, John H. Payne.  
 { Market Street, Joseph A. Proctor.  
 { High Street, Alexander G. Brown.  
 { Blandford Mission, James A. Crowder.  
 { City Mission, Edward M. Peterson.  
 Chesterfield, Alexander M. Hall, Wesley Hammond, N. Thomas, J. K. Powers, Sup.  
 Coalfield, George N. Guy.  
 Dinwiddie, Thomas L. Williams, Joseph E. Martin, Robert L. Scott.  
 Sussex, J. R. Finley, B. R. Duval, James A. Riddick, Sup.  
 Greensville, William L. Dalby.  
 Northampton, E. P. Wilson, J. C. Garlick, Sup.

Bertie, Joseph J. Edwards, George M. Robertson, Robert I. Carson.

Murfreesboro, Joseph H. Riddick.

{ Southampton, P. W. Archer, Isaac M. Arnold, Sup.

{ Southampton Colored Mission, J. W. White. Smithfield, William E. Allen.

Surry, J. W. Connelly, A. Stewart, Sup.

Prince George, Major S. Colonna, B. F. Woodward, Sup., J. P. Woodward, Sup.

Military Post in Chesterfield, T. S. Campbell.

Roanoke Colored Mission, William Grant.

Camps and Hospitals in and around Petersburg, William C. Blount.

Military Encampment near Garysburg, Robert O. Burton.

#### LYNCHBURG DISTRICT.

*P. A. Peterson, P. E.*

Lynchburg:

{ Centenary, Leroy M. Lee.

{ Centenary Colored Mission, F. M. Edwards.

{ Court Street, Robert N. Sledd.

{ Court Colored Mission, Joseph A. Crowder,

Amherst, John W. Howard, Robert W. Watts.

D. J. C. Slaughter, Sup.

Buffalo, William G. Hammond.

{ Lexington, Charles C. Pearson.

{ Lexington Circuit, John L. Clarke.

Fincastle, Larkin H. Crenshaw.

{ Bedford, Alfred Wiles, George B. Allen.

{ Porter's Mountain Mission, to be supplied.

Staunton River, Joseph Lear, Milton L. Bishop.

Staunton River Colored Mission, E. A. Gibbs.

Campbell, Cyrus Doggett, John W. F. Jones,

Joseph Spriggs, Sup.

Appomattox, Thomas A. Pierce.

Buckingham, James R. Waggoner.

Slate River, James W. Compton.

Cumberland, Samuel S. Lambeth.

#### DANVILLE DISTRICT.

*William B. Rowzie, P. E.*

Danville, Charles H. Hall.

Halifax, David M. Wallace.

South of Dan, J. G. Bailey, W. Carter, Sup.

Ringgold Mission, Thomas H. Boggs.

South Staunton, Robert A. Gregory.

Pittsylvania, L. J. Hansberger, James H. Jefferson, Sup.

Franklin, Joseph E. Potts, one to be supplied, B. B. Shelton, Sup.

Flint Hill Mission, to be supplied.

Henry, James J. Lamkin.

Dan River, Lewis H. Greybill.

Patrick, Jacob Shough.

#### NORFOLK DISTRICT.

*P. E., to be supplied.*

Norfolk:

{ Granby Street, John D. Blackwell.

{ James Street, Edward N. S. Blogg.

Cumberland Street, James C. Martin.

Bute Street Mission, to be supplied.

Portsmouth:

Dinwiddie Street, Thomas Y. Cash.

Wesley Chapel and Gosport, A. J. Coffman.

Princess Anne and Pasquotank, J. W. Wonnycott.

Currituck and Indian Ridge, J. C. Hummer.

Elizabeth City, to be supplied.

Hertford, Jeremiah McMullen.

Edenton, Joseph H. Amiss.

Gates, Thomas Diggs.

Suffolk, Allen R. Bernard, Sup.

Norfolk Circuit, to be supplied.

Atlantic, Benjamin T. Ames.

Eastville, Lloyd Moore.

L. F. Way, transferred to the North Carolina Conference.

Leonidas Rosser and John C. Granberry, Missionaries to Army Corps in Army of Northern Virginia.

James E. Joyner, Peter F. August, William W. Berry, James B. Fitzpatrick, James E. McSparran, James P. Garland, George E. Booker, William E. Edwards, Robert Hardie, Jr., William W. Duncan, Thomas A. Ware, Adam C. Bledsoe, Robert B. Beadles, Samuel V. Hoyle, John J. Lafferty, and Benjamin C. Spiller, Chaplains in C. S. Army.

## 12.—WESTERN VIRGINIA CONFERENCE.

[NO MINUTES FOR 1863 RECEIVED.]

## 13.—NORTH CAROLINA CONFERENCE.

HELD AT GREENSBORO, N. C., December 2-7, 1863.

BISHOP PIERCE, *President*; JOHN W. LEWIS, *Secretary*.

QUESTION 1. Who are admitted on trial?

Charles C. Dodson, Jonathan H. Dolby, Wm. C. Wilson, Martin V. Sherrill. 4.

Ques. 2. Who remain on trial?

John D. Buie, Calvin Plyler. 2.

Ques. 3. Who are admitted into full connection?

None.

Ques. 4. Who are readmitted?

Oscar J. Brent. 1.

Ques. 5. Who are received by transfer from other Conferences?

None.

Ques. 6. Who are the deacons of one year?

William A. Smith, Thomas J. Gattis, Edwin A. Yates, Edward A. Wilson, Alexander R. Raven, John B. Williams, Carson Parker, Thaddeus L. Troy, W. M. Robey, W. H. Moore. 10.

Ques. 7. What traveling preachers are elected and ordained deacons?

None.

Ques. 8. What local preachers are elected and ordained deacons?

William Rawley, John W. Heptinstall, Isaac M. Shaver, Jonathan H. Dolby, James A. Covington, Leonard Webb, Gray Wood, Neal M. Ray, John C. Carlyle, Elisha Eudaily, P. W. H. Thompson, Augustus E. Bobbitt. 12.

Ques. 9. What traveling preachers are elected and ordained elders?

Theodore B. Kingsbury, Richard S. Webb, Jeffrey H. Robbins, Franklin H. Wood, Robert T. N. Stevenson, B. B. Culbreth. 6.

Ques. 10. What local preachers are elected and ordained elders?

N. G. Whittington, J. N. Barker. 2.

Ques. 11. Who have located this year?

None.

Ques. 12. Who are supernumerary?

Thomas B. Reeks. 1.

Ques. 13. Who are superannuated?

William Holmes, Bennet T. Blake, John R. McIntosh, S. B. Dozier, Joshua Bethel, Henry Gray, Alfred Norman, John B. Floyd. 8.

Ques. 14. What preachers have died during the past year?

John M. Gunn, Thompson Garrard, John C. Brent, R. C. Maynard, M. H. Hight. 5.

JOHN MCOLISTER GUNN was born in Iredell county, N. C., about the year 1801, and died Dec. 31, 1862. The last twenty-four years of his life were devoted to the service of God. Half of this time he spent in the capacity of a class-leader, with almost unparalleled success. The other half he consecrated to the wider sphere of ministerial toil. Three years of his ministry he spent on the Surry Circuit, three years on the Trent Circuit, two years on the Guilford Circuit, two years on the Jones Circuit, two years on the Jonesville Circuit, one year on Fisher's River Mission, and one year on the Wilkes Circuit. Brother Gunn's career as a minister, though comparatively short, was brilliant and happy. He sought to be useful rather than great, and those among whom he labored will ever remember the vigor and zeal with which he pursued this cherished aim to the end of his life. The most remarkable circumstance of his life was his diligence in searching the Scriptures. In addition to his arduous work as a preacher of the gospel, he read carefully through the Bible forty-nine times, and that within the short space of twelve years. The promises of Heaven were the daily and hourly food of his soul; and with a steady, unwavering, triumphant confidence in these, he passed away to meet the rewards of the faithful.

THOMPSON GARRARD was born in Orange county, N. C., Sept. 5, 1800. He joined the Virginia Conference on trial February, 1818, in the class with H. G. Leigh, Peter Doub, and others. At the session of Conference held February, 1818, he was appointed to the Tar River Circuit, and in 1819, he traveled Brunswick Circuit. Subsequently he filled the following appointments, in the order in which they are named, viz.: Swift Creek, New River, Greensville, Princess Anne, Beaufort and Straits, Suffolk and Surry, Camden, Gates, Sussex, Neuse and Pamlico, Portsmouth and Ocracoke Mission, Currituck and Mattamuskeet, Straits, Chatham, Buckhorn, Plymouth, Mattamuskeet, Stantonsburg, Straits, Topsail, Sampson, and Raleigh Circuit. At the session of Conference held in Greensboro, December, 1847, he was placed in a superannuated relation, which relation he sustained to the day of his death. It will appear from the above synopsis of his ministerial labors, that he was a regular itinerant preacher for



thirty years, and sustained a superannuated relation for more than fifteen years. Brother Garrard was a man of medium natural endowments and of limited education, but nevertheless was a sound and useful minister of Jesus. He was modest, prudent, and exceedingly amiable—a man of stern integrity and undoubted piety; and during his entire ministerial life, exemplified the excellency of the Christian religion. On Feb. 15, 1863, he was attacked with diphtheria, and died on the 18th day of the same month. His sufferings were intense, but of short duration. He died as he had lived, in the service of God.

JOHN CALDWELL BRENT was born in Rockingham county, N. C., April 20, 1837. His early youth was spent in the county of his birth. He made a profession of religion at Smithville, under the ministry of his brother, the Rev. James H. Brent. He was a student in Smithville Academy when this happy event occurred. Soon after this he entered the University at Chapel Hill, and went through a partial course of study. Leaving the University, he went to Roxboro to act in the capacity of assistant teacher in his brother James's school. At this place, in the month of June, 1858, he was licensed to preach the gospel, and in the fall of the same year was admitted on trial in the North Carolina Conference, at its session in Newbern. His first appointment was to the Onslow Circuit, where he labored one year; his second appointment was to the Straits, where he also remained one year; his third field of labor was North-east Circuit; and his fourth was Whitesville, to which circuit he was returned a second year, and on which he finished his ministerial work. The Rev. Dr. Deems, in an obituary notice, which appeared in the *Advocate*, says of Brother Brent, He had high ideas of Christian ministerial character. He earnestly wished to do his whole duty in this department, and please the great Head of the Church rather than his brethren. The poor and the servants about him met his earnest desire for their welfare and salvation. He was very cautious and kind in dealing with ministerial reputation, while he held clear and distinct ideas of all the ethics in the case. Of slow but sure development, his greatest usefulness seemed to lie in the future. But God's ways are not our ways. Five years of ministerial life are all the Lord saw fit to grant. He was attacked by fever, and, after two weeks of great suffering, expired at the house of Mrs. Smith, near Whitesville, in Columbus county, Aug. 8, 1863. Sister Smith and other ladies gave him motherly Christian attention, and his sufferings were borne with great fortitude and great thankfulness for the friendship shown him, and he gratefully contrasted his condition with that of our sick and dying soldiers, for whom, from the first part of the war, he manifested a profound and tender interest. In regard to his own condition he frequently said, "All is well!" His last petitions were uttered in the language of the Lord's Prayer, which he pronounced in a strong voice,

and distinctly adding, "All a man can ask when he prays is in that prayer." He had said before his sickness that he had consecrated himself afresh this year to the work of the ministry. It was a consecration for a higher sphere and nobler rank, and while his ashes sleep at his request among the people of the Whitesville Circuit, whom he greatly loved, and by whom he was loved in return, his spirit is doubtless among the ransomed, the blood-washed, the happy harpers at God's throne. He was such a specimen of robust and healthful manhood, that his death came upon his friends like a shock. His funeral-sermon was preached before the Conference by Dr. Deems, from Acts xx. 24, and 2 Cor. v. 18-21.

R. C. MAYNARD was born in Surry county, Va., about the year 1815, and died at his residence, in the county of Granville, N. C., Nov. 23, 1863. He became a subject of saving grace and a member of the Church in the morning of life; at an early age gave himself to the Christian ministry, and joined the traveling connection at the Conference held in Petersburg, Va., in 1837. He sustained the different relations of effective, supernumerary, and superannuated preacher. The fields of labor to which he was successively appointed were, as we learn, Trent, Granville, Hillsboro, Tar River, and Raleigh Circuits. His career, as an effective minister of the gospel, was short, being a feeble, afflicted man. Brother Maynard was a man of more than ordinary ability, a very earnest, impressive, pointed preacher, and successful in the conversion of souls to God. He was kind, courteous, generous, hospitable—a Christian gentleman. He was for a number of years a subject of the disease which terminated his life—neuralgia of the head—which he suffered patiently and with resignation to the Divine will. His end was peaceful and happy.

MEDICUS H. HIGHT was born in Franklin county, N. C., in 1833 or 1834. A short time after he was brought to a saving knowledge of the truth, in 1847, under the ministry of the Rev. Dr. Harriss, he connected himself with the Methodist Episcopal Church. In the year 1855, he applied for admission, and was received on trial into the North Carolina Conference, and was appointed to the Halifax Circuit, with the Rev. Alfred Norman; and the year following, was sent to the Straits as preacher in charge. At the Conference of 1857, he applied for and obtained a certificate of location, and on Dec. 13 of the same year, was married to Miss Mary E. Nuttall, of Granville, N. C. At the Conference of 1859, held at Beaufort, he was readmitted into the traveling connection, and was appointed to the Tar River Circuit. In 1860, he was sent to the Tar River Colored Mission; in 1861, as Chaplain to the C. S. Army; and in 1862, received a nominal appointment. In March, 1863, Brother Hight was attacked by typhoid fever, and, after patiently bearing an illness of about four weeks, fell asleep in Jesus.

Ques. 15. 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. 16. What is the number of preachers and members in the several circuits, stations, and missions of the Conference?

*Raleigh District.*

	White Mem's.	White Prob's.	Col'd Mem's.	Col'd Prob's.	Loc'l Pr's.
Raleigh City.....	240	.....	.....	.....	2
Raleigh City Mission...	101	11	11	.....	.....
Raleigh Colored Miss..	.....	.....	281	65	.....
Raleigh Circuit.....	423	55	77	34	2
Tar River .....	726	157	84	18	3
Person .....	386	29	100	1	1
Louisburg.....	115	28	43	7	.....
Leasburg.....	337	71	41	9	1
Chapel Hill.....	116	2	62	17	1
Hillsboro Circuit.....	690	17	62	.....	3
Hillsboro Station.....	84	1	45	15	1
Alamance.....	430	42	163	15	4
	3648	413	969	181	18

*Greensboro District.*

	White Mem's.	White Prob's.	Col'd Mem's.	Col'd Prob's.	Loc'l Pr's.
Greensboro.....	145	11	150	45	4
Guilford .....	545	37	175	25	4
Trinity & High Point...	138	13	13	7	.....
South Guilford.....	290	.....	30	.....	1
Davidson .....	495	37	58	4	2
Thomasville and Lexington	103	20	30	32	.....
Forsythe.....	760	205	12	7	13
Winston.....	131	45	43	15	1
Stokes.....	157	30	24	9	.....
Wentworth.....	523	90	34	12	.....
Madison.....	166	37	36	11	5
Yanceyville.....	394	73	20	25	.....
	3847	598	625	192	30

*Salisbury District.*

	White Mem's.	White Prob's.	Col'd Mem's.	Col'd Prob's.	Loc'l Pr's.
Salisbury .....	137	6	152	15	.....
Rowan .....	171	34	72	5	1
East Rowan.....	167	41	46	34	2
Mocksville .....	230	.....	164	.....	2
Statesville .....	38	41	31	55	1
Iredell.....	519	90	71	47	1
South Iredell.....	248	56	130	6	.....
Alexander.....	612	118	53	17	2
Jonesville.....	477	35	65	12	4
Wilkes.....	520	15	36	22	2
Surry.....	387	33	26	1	6
Blue Ridge Mission.....	246	44	11	14	8
Sauratown .....	106	11	.....	.....	5
	3858	524	857	228	34

*Washington District.*

	White Mem's.	White Prob's.	Col'd Mem's.	Col'd Prob's.	Loc'l Pr's.
Washington .....	208	.....	.....	.....	1
Avent Chapel.....	.....	.....	463	10	.....
Roanoke.....	606	117	62	12	5
Warrenton .....	58	17	8	.....	.....
Warren.....	328	30	4	1	.....
Henderson.....	344	49	18	1	.....
Granville.....	586	102	73	12	5
Nashville .....	208	5	11	.....	1
Plymouth.....	96	28	36	.....	1
Williamston .....	295	.....	61	.....	3
Greenville.....	284	.....	100	.....	5
Columbia .....	207	22	36	.....	1
Mattamuskeet.....	410	2	160	.....	1
Bath.....	182	3	194	.....	.....
Neuse.....	322	11	154	13	2
Tarboro.....	174	8	26	4	1
Portsmouth (no rep't)..	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Ocracoke (no report)...	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
	4308	394	1406	53	26

*Newbern District.*

	White Mem's.	White Prob's.	Col'd Mem's.	Col'd Prob's.	Loc'l Pr's.
Newbern:					
Centenary .....	225	.....	.....	.....	2
Andrew Chapel.....	.....	.....	772	9	.....
Newbern Circuit.....	197	.....	169	.....	1
Snow Hill .....	386	18	170	.....	4
Wilson Station.....	57	34	5	17	.....
Contentnea.....	255	1	38	3	1
Smithfield .....	230	50	47	6	1
Johnston Mission.....	37	5	.....	.....	.....
Goldsboro.....	112	5	53	2	.....
Everettsville.....	425	22	62	.....	4
Kingston & Lenoir.....	62	14	36	.....	1
Jones.....	115	24	105	19	2
Trent.....	184	34	174	58	1
Beaufort:					
Ann Street.....	296	.....	.....	.....	1
Purvis Chapel.....	.....	.....	240	.....	.....
Straits.....	215	.....	65	.....	.....
Morehead City.....	46	.....	10	.....	.....
	2842	207	1946	114	18

*Wilmington District.*

	White Mem's.	White Prob's.	Col'd Mem's.	Col'd Prob's.	Loc'l Pr's.
Wilmington:					
Front Street .....	226	.....	1000	.....	.....
Topsail.....	155	91	86	.....	1
Onslow.....	282	7	140	.....	2
Duplin.....	167	6	290	58	.....
Sampson.....	667	27	257	13	4
Elizabethtown .....	308	26	618	25	.....
Bladen.....	388	55	148	0	2
South River.....	30	3	159	7	.....
Whitesville.....	289	20	284	44	1
Smithville .....	250	30	175	.....	2
Robeson .....	780	2	750	11	4
North Hanover.....	73	13	168	10	.....
Magnolia.....	218	5	238	2	3
Cape Fear Mission.....	.....	.....	191	43	.....
	3833	285	4504	219	19

*Fayetteville District.*

	White Mem's.	White Prob's.	Col'd Mem's.	Col'd Prob's.	Loc'l Pr's.
Fayetteville.....	330	.....	.....	.....	3
Evans Chapel.....	.....	.....	278	125	.....
Fayetteville Circuit.....	353	150	430	14	.....
Cape Fear.....	642	53	243	13	6
Haw River.....	702	57	146	12	7
Pittsboro.....	46	20	102	46	1
Deep River.....	630	51	136	5	5
Montgomery.....	844	53	71	3	8
Rockingham.....	535	140	167	86	9
Uwharrie.....	795	28	35	.....	1
Ashboro.....	482	81	53	24	1
Franklinsville .....	318	41	24	7	4
	5677	674	1685	335	45

*Recapitulation.*

	White Mem's.	White Prob's.	Col'd Mem's.	Col'd Prob's.	Loc'l Pr's.
Raleigh District.....	3648	413	969	181	18
Greensboro ".....	3847	598	625	192	30
Salisbury ".....	3858	524	857	228	34
Washington ".....	4308	394	1406	53	26
Newbern ".....	2842	207	1946	114	18
Wilmington ".....	3833	285	4504	219	19
Fayetteville ".....	5677	674	1685	335	45
Total this year.....	28,013	3095	11,992	1322	190
Total last year.....	27,769	2162	11,423	689	183
Increase .....	244	933	569	633	7

Ques. 17. What amounts are necessary for the superannuated preachers, and the widows and orphans of preachers, and to make up the deficiencies of those who have not obtained their regular allowance in their respective districts, circuits, and stations?

\$7077.

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

Collected, \$10,125 10  
Applied to widows, orphans, and deficient preachers.

Ques. 19. What has been contributed for the Missionary, Sunday-school, and Tract Societies?

Missions, \$20,023 95  
Tracts, 9,900 00

Ques. 20. Where and when shall the next session of the Conference be held?

At Mocksville, N. C.

Ques. 21. Where are the preachers stationed this year?

RALEIGH DISTRICT.

*Numa F. Reid, P. E.*

Raleigh, Braxton Craven, W. H. Wheeler.  
{ City Mission, Alexander R. Raven.  
{ Colored Chapel, William E. Pell.  
Raleigh Circuit, Junius P. Moore.  
Louisburg, Thomas W. Guthrie.  
Tar River, T. P. Ricaud.  
Person, John Tillett.  
Hillsboro, William C. Wilson.  
Hillsboro Circuit, Wm. M. Jordan, W. Harris.  
North Carolina Christian Advocate, William E. Pell, Editor.  
Missionary to Department of North Carolina, William Closs.  
Missionary to Department of Cape Fear, John N. Andrews.  
Chaplain to Twelfth Regiment North Carolina Troops, Jeffrey H. Robbins.  
Chaplain to Twenty-second Regiment North Carolina Troops, Franklin H. Wood.  
Chaplain to Thirtieth Regiment North Carolina Troops, Alexander D. Betts.  
Chaplain to Forty-fourth Regiment North Carolina Troops, Richard S. Webb.  
Chaplain to Forty-sixth Regiment North Carolina Troops, C. C. Dodson.  
Chaplain to Forty-eighth Regiment North Carolina Troops, Calvin Plyler.  
Chaplain to Thirty-second Regiment North Carolina Troops, W. B. Richardson.  
Chaplain to Seventh Confederate Cavalry, John D. Buie.  
Chaplain to Hoke's Brigade, J. J. Hines.  
Chaplain to Clingman's Brigade, J. B. Alford.  
Chaplain to Lane's Brigade, to be supplied.

GREENSBORO DISTRICT.

*Peter Doub, P. E.*

Greensboro, Marcus C. Thomas.  
Guilford, Zebedee Rush.  
Forsythe, one to be supplied, C. M. Anderson.  
Winston, John W. Jenkins.  
Stokes, R. N. T. Stevenson, S. H. Helsebeck.  
Madison, Franklin H. Wood.  
Wentworth, William C. Gannon.  
Yanceyville, Paul J. Carraway.  
Leasburg, to be supplied.  
Agent for Greensboro Female College, John S. Long.

TRINITY COLLEGE DISTRICT.

*William Barringer, P. E.*

Trinity College and High Point, John W. Lewis.  
Ashboro, Charles H. Phillips.  
Franklinsville, Isham H. Hill, Thaddeus L. Troy.  
Uwharrie, Isaac F. Keerans.  
Davidson, C. M. Pepper.  
Thomasville and Lexington, N. H. D. Wilson.  
South Guilford, Caswell W. King.  
Alamance, William H. Barnes.

SALISBURY DISTRICT.

*Ira T. Wyche, P. E.*

Salisbury, David R. Bruton.  
Rowan, Jesse A. Cuningim.  
East Rowan, John R. Brooks.  
Mocksville, Robert G. Barrett.  
Statesville, James B. Bobbitt, C. P. Jones.  
Iredell, W. D. Meecham, W. W. Albea.  
South Iredell, Lawrence F. Way.  
Alexander, Carson Parker.  
Jonesville, James F. Smoot.  
Wilkes, Thomas L. Triplett.  
Surry, to be supplied.  
Elkin Circuit, to be supplied.  
Sauratown, to be supplied.

WASHINGTON DISTRICT.

*L. L. Hendren, P. E.*

Washington, to be supplied.  
Avent Chapel, to be supplied.  
Bath, to be supplied.  
Mattamuskeet, to be supplied.  
Neuse, to be supplied.  
Columbia, to be supplied.  
Portsmouth, Ocracoke, and Hatteras, to be supplied.  
Roanoke, Theodore B. Kingsbury, N. A. H. Gaddin.  
Warren, Lemon Shell, T. B. Reeks, Sup., B. F. Long.  
Warrenton, John B. Williams.  
Henderson, Joseph H. Wheeler, James Reid.  
Plymouth, to be supplied.  
Granville, to be supplied.  
Nashville, Moses J. Hunt.  
Tarboro, Edwin A. Yates.  
Greenville, E. A. Wilson.

NEWBERN DISTRICT.

*Charles F. Deems, P. E.*

Newbern:  
{ Centenary, to be supplied.  
{ Andrew Chapel, to be supplied.  
Newbern Circuit, to be supplied.  
Trent, William F. Clegg.  
Beaufort:  
{ Ann Street, John Jones.  
{ Purvis Chapel, to be supplied.  
Straits, to be supplied.  
Cape Lookout, to be supplied.  
Morehead City, to be supplied.  
Kingston and Lenoir, Nathan A. Hooker.  
Jones Mission, William M. Walsh.

Snow Hill, Joseph Wheeler.  
 Wilson, James W. Wheeler.  
 Goldsboro, Adolphus W. Mangum.  
 Everittsville, Dugan C. Johnson, G. W. Deems.  
 Smithfield, L. S. Burkhead.  
 Contentnea, B. B. Culbreth.

L. W. Martin, within the Federal lines.  
 Agent for Soldiers' Tract Association, Joel W. Tucker.

#### WILMINGTON DISTRICT.

*D. B. Nicholson, P. E.*

Wilmington:

{ Front Street, Robert S. Moran.  
 { Fifth Street Mission, Simeon D. Peeler.  
 Topsail and North Hanover, Wm. H. Moore.  
 Onslow, William A. Smith.  
 Duplin and Magnolia, Joseph C. Thomas.  
 Sampson, Wesley M. Roby, Daniel Culbreth.  
 { Bladen, James B. Bailey.  
 { South River Mission, Robert P. Bibb.

Elizabethtown, Samuel M. Frost.  
 Whitesville, Jonathan H. Dolby.  
 { Smithville, Thos. J. Gattis, Wm. M. D. Moore.  
 { Cape Fear Mission, to be supplied.

#### FAYETTEVILLE DISTRICT.

*W. H. Bobbitt, P. E.*

{ Fayetteville, Hillary T. Hudson.  
 { Evans Chapel, to be supplied.  
 Fayetteville Circuit, John W. Tinnin.  
 Cape Fear, W. S. Chaffin, Gaston Farrar.  
 Haw River, Joseph B. Martin.  
 Pittsboro, Oscar J. Brent.  
 Deep River, S. D. Adams, T. C. Moses.  
 Rockingham, Henry H. Gibbons.  
 { Montgomery, Isaac W. Avent.  
 { Troy, George E. Wyche.  
 Robeson, P. H. Scovell.  
 Chapel Hill, Robert A. Willis.  
 Missionary to China, Marquis L. Wood.  
 R. T. Heflin, transferred to Texas Conference.

## 14.—SOUTH CAROLINA CONFERENCE.

HELD AT SUMTER, S. C., *December 10-14, 1863.*

BISHOP PIERCE, *President*; F. A. MOOD, *Secretary*.

QUESTION 1. Who are admitted on trial?

ANSWER. George W. Byrd, Thomas A. Boone, John R. Little, Alexander W. Moore, Samuel A. Roper, George F. Round, Andrew J. Stafford, Christopher Thomason, J. Emory Watson. 9.

Ques. 2. Who remain on trial?

Richard R. Dagnall, John C. Hartsell, Robert C. Oliver, Samuel A. Webber, J. J. Snow. 5.

Ques. 3. Who are admitted into full connection?

James H. Tart, Thomas H. Edwards, James F. Wilson, Edgar T. R. Frippe. 4.

Ques. 4. Who are readmitted?

Edward G. Gage. 1.

Ques. 5. Who are received by transfer from other Conferences?

None.

Ques. 6. Who are the deacons of one year?

John L. Siple, Duncan J. McMillan, James J. Workman, Robert B. Tarrant, William M. Wilson, John E. Penny, Henry J. Morgan, William A. Hodges, John L. Stoudemire, James D. Carpenter, Newton K. Melton, John A. Wood, John H. C. McKinney. 13.

Ques. 7. What traveling preachers are elected and ordained deacons?

James H. Tart, James F. Wilson, Edgar T. R. Frippe. 3.

Ques. 8. What local preachers are elected and ordained deacons?

J. Lee Dickson, Thomas G. Corbet, Edmund S. Lupo, Miles H. Joy, William B. Alexander, William Bryant, Wright Wilson, Edmund H. Price, James Floy, Edwin C. James, J. Marion Boyd, T. Alonzo Harris, Andrew J. Stafford, Robert M. Brown, Duncan Banentine, John C. Randall, John F. Butt, Reuben Washburn, R. Ledford, Alexander W. Moore. 20.

Ques. 9. What traveling preachers are elected and ordained elders?

James B. Campbell, John W. McRoy, James W. Coward, Algernon S. Link, Thomas J. Clyde, John W. Humbert, Andrew J. Stokes, Peter L. Herman, Thomas W. Munnerlyn. 9.

Ques. 10. What local preachers are elected and ordained elders?

Samuel C. James, John Josey, C. J. Fladger, Jesse P. Bodie, William McGee, Noah H. Kaylor, William J. Jordan. 7.

Ques. 11. Who have located this year?

James P. De Pass, John Hutchinson. 2.

Ques. 12. Who are supernumerary?

R. Benson Tarrant, Samuel B. Jones, Whitefoord Smith, Colin Murchison, David D. Byars, Alex. W. Walker, Hilliard C. Parsons, Willis S. Haltom, James F. Wilson. 9.

Ques. 13. Who are superannuated?

Alexius M. Foster, William C. Patterson, D. Derrick, Hartwell Spain, Bond English, Joel W. Townsend, William Crook, Jesse S. Nelson. 8.

Ques. 14. What preachers have died during the past year?

Archibald B. McGilvray, Paul A. M. Williams,\* Lindsey C. Weaver, George W. Moore. 4.

ARCHIBALD B. MCGILVRAY was born in the Isle of Skye, on the coast of Scotland, came to America in 1806, joined the South Carolina Conference in 1832, and died in Greenville, S. C., June 9, 1863. Brother McGilvray was a modest, cheerful, and agreeable man, a faithful friend, and good citizen. As a minister of Christ, he was holy, laborious, and useful. He suffered long and painfully with dropsy of the chest, which he bore with manly fortitude and Christian patience. The brethren who saw Brother McGilvray during his last illness, found him cheerful, resigned, and waiting for his change. On the day before his death, and in immediate view of that event, he praised God aloud, and so passed away.

LINDSEY CARR WEAVER was born in Spartanburg District, S. C., Nov. 16, 1837, and died at Bishopville, Sumter District, S. C., Feb. 28, 1863. He was converted and joined the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, in 1858, while a student at Wofford College. In July, 1859, he graduated, and in the following December, having been previously licensed to preach, he was admitted on trial in the South Carolina Conference. In 1860 he traveled the Sumter Circuit, and in 1861 was appointed to Yorkville Station. Here, in the early part of the year, his health failed, on account of which he was compelled to retire from the regular work to a quieter life. At the end of this year, he was elected and ordained a deacon, and granted a supernumerary relation, which relation he sustained until his death. There was in Brother Weaver the promise of much usefulness. He was amiable in spirit, uncompromising in integrity, unflinching in zeal, and abundant in good works, during his short career among us as a traveling preacher. He died in the faith, and his end was peace.

GEORGE W. MOORE was born in Charleston, S. C., Sept. 27, 1799, and was converted in 1819. He was licensed to preach in 1823, and admitted on trial in the South Carolina Conference in 1822. From this period up to the close of 1862, except a few years of local relationship, he did the work and shared the joys and sorrows of a faithful itinerant preacher. Brother Moore was faithful, efficient, and successful in the work of his sacred calling. He was one of the first to

enter the mission field among the colored population of our State. In that unpretending and self-sacrificing work he spent many years of his ministerial life. He was a missionary to the blacks when a supernumerary relation was granted him at the Conference of 1862, held in Spartanburg. His remaining days, which were few, were spent in special attention to that class of our population in the above-named town. The reward of faithfully preaching the gospel to the poor is his. He ceased at once "to work and live," at Providence Camp-ground, Anderson District, S. C., on Sunday, Aug. 16, at three o'clock P.M. He died in the pulpit, at the close of his first prayer, in the afternoon service, with the Bible and Hymn-book as his pillow, and his brethren of the ministry and laity as his mourners. His last words were words of prayer, his last act an act of worship.

Ques. 15. 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 Miles Puckett, against whom charges were made affecting his moral character, which were referred to his Presiding Elder for proper investigation.

Ques. 16. What is the number of preachers and members in the several circuits, stations, and missions of the Conference?

Charleston District.

	White Men's.	White Prob's.	Col'd Men's.	Col'd Prob's.	Loc'l Pr's.
Charleston:					
Trinity and Cumberland Street.....	370	15	300	400	1
Bethel & Spring Str..	360	23	1355	137	4
Walterboro Circuit.....	760	40	522	135	4
Ashley & Round O Mis.	42	.....	280	136	.....
Pon Pon Mission*.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Ashepo & Combahee Mission (no report)...	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Bamberg Circuit.....	200	4	275	15	3
Allendale Circuit.....	156	6	310	75	.....
Black Swamp Circuit.....	201	30	550	200	1
Savannah River Miss...	.....	.....	60	.....	.....
	2089	118	3652	1098	13

Orangeburg District.

Orangeburg Circuit.....	380	13	700	50	4
St. Matthew's Circuit...	275	23	192	19	4
Fort Motte Mission .....	3	.....	70	.....	.....
Providence Circuit.....	386	9	488	1	1
Summerville Circuit....	372	53	322	116	3
Mount Holly Mission...	59	.....	208	.....	.....
Cooper River Circuit...	271	10	338	5	3
Cooper River Mission...	.....	.....	333	16	.....
Middle St. John's Miss.	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
St. Jas. Goose Cr'k Mis.	.....	.....	100	.....	.....
St. George's Circuit.....	600	18	352	10	3
Blackville Circuit.....	435	48	311	104	5
Edisto Fork Mission...	96	.....	76	3	.....
Barnwell Circuit .....	152	47	100	.....	2
Aiken .....	28	.....	86	17	2
Graniteville Mission...	78	.....	4	.....	.....
Lexington Circuit.....	484	68	401	29	3
	3619	289	4081	370	30

\* No memoir.

\* Broken up by the war.

Marion District.

	White Mem's.	White Prob's.	Col'd Mem's.	Col'd Prob's.	Loc'l Pr's.
Marion Station.....	132	9	236	71	2
Marion Circuit.....	893	56	320	25	11
Georgetown & Sampit..	151	16	937	112	.....
Black River and Pedee Mission.....	68	15	796	155	2
Waccataw Mission.....	22	.....	547	209	.....
Conwayboro Circuit.....	725	194	329	81	6
Darlington Station.....	68	.....	294	6	1
Darlington Circuit.....	700	139	489	45	8
Lynchburg Circuit.....	540	45	350	24	4
Brownsville Circuit.....	457	54	292	55	5
Williamsburg Circuit...	598	127	1012	90	2
Liberty Chapel and Lynch's Creek.....	307	73	353	40	2
	4661	728	5955	913	43

Columbia District.

	White Mem's.	White Prob's.	Col'd Mem's.	Col'd Prob's.	Loc'l Pr's.
Columbia:					
Washington Street...	336	15	.....	.....	3
Marion Street.....	138	14	147	75	1
Colored People.....	14	.....	.....	.....	.....
Congaree Mission.....	14	.....	397	26	.....
Fairfield Circuit.....	352	67	1037	164	2
Chester Circuit.....	264	22	115	20	.....
Sandy River Mission...	93	22	240	42	.....
Rocky Mount Circuit...	275	72	710	217	.....
Richland Circuit.....	301	140	130	77	.....
Richland Fork Mission	95	2	280	3	.....
Camden.....	108	6	393	62	.....
Wateree Mission.....	48	.....	1130	121	.....
Sumter Station.....	192	4	537	50	2
Sumter Circuit.....	417	45	851	117	5
Bishopville Circuit.....	300	6	550	12	1
Santee Circuit.....	220	25	389	121	6
Upper Santee Mission..	35	5	458	57	.....
Manchester Circuit.....	27	8	650	40	1
Manning Circuit.....	229	27	275	20	.....
	3458	480	8259	1224	21

Cokesbury District.

	White Mem's.	White Prob's.	Col'd Mem's.	Col'd Prob's.	Loc'l Pr's.
Cokesbury Circuit.....	455	49	743	147	1
Laurens Circuit.....	742	50	624	.....	3
Newberry Station.....	64	17	200	16	.....
Newberry Circuit.....	710	102	808	176	3
Ninety-six Circuit.....	254	6	551	26	2
Saluda River Mission...	38	2	115	2	.....
Mapleton Circuit.....	195	50	271	57	2
Butler Circuit.....	379	22	321	.....	3
Edgefield Circuit.....	233	9	117	38	2
Abbeville Circuit.....	606	78	1195	137	3
Anderson Circuit.....	380	24	264	41	4
Pendleton Circuit.....	406	20	313	37	2
Pickens Circuit.....	422	.....	44	2	4
	4884	429	5566	679	29

Wadesboro District.

	White Mem's.	White Prob's.	Col'd Mem's.	Col'd Prob's.	Loc'l Pr's.
Wadesboro Station.....	112	16	105	17	.....
Wadesboro Circuit.....	524	94	350	125	2
Ansonville Circuit.....	395	64	174	52	3
Albemarle Circuit.....	595	44	70	9	2
Concord Circuit.....	728	126	370	70	2
Monroe Circuit.....	1000	21	400	53	6
Bennettsville Circuit...	1033	155	740	123	6
Catawba River Mission...	40	6	427	107	.....
Chesterfield Circuit....	595	61	400	37	4
Cheraw.....	90	12	150	16	.....
Coalfields R. R. Miss..	.....	.....	192	29	.....
Lancaster Circuit.....	384	9	340	7	1
Society Hill Miss.....	3	.....	300	15	.....
	5499	608	4018	660	26

Catawba District.

	White Mem's.	White Prob's.	Col'd Mem's.	Col'd Prob's.	Loc'l Pr's.
Lincolnton Circuit.....	724	82	370	35	6
Dallas Circuit.....	320	350	80	112	2
Pineville Circuit.....	253	103	228	172	.....

Catawba District, (continued.)

	White Mem's.	White Prob's.	Col'd Mem's.	Col'd Prob's.	Loc'l Pr's.
Charlotte.....	126	63	125	126	1
Charlotte Circuit.....	669	227	291	59	1
Catawba Circuit.....	1288	112	249	.....	4
Lenoir Circuit.....	510	85	105	30	3
Morganton Circuit.....	654	147	448	136	3
Shelby Circuit.....	913	127	160	36	6
Yorkville.....	86	16	113	46	2
Rock Hill Circuit.....	427	120	500	100	1
	5970	1432	2669	852	29

Spartanburg District.

	White Mem's.	White Prob's.	Col'd Mem's.	Col'd Prob's.	Loc'l Pr's.
Spartanburg.....	175	16	100	40	4
Spartanburg Circuit.....	525	50	45	1	4
McDowell Circuit.....	503	64	116	36	2
Rutherford Circuit.....	555	38	183	5	1
Columbus Circuit.....	248	61	85	53	.....
Pacolet Circuit.....	137	10	166	18	.....
Goshen Hill Circuit.....	203	26	278	56	.....
Union Circuit.....	679	43	455	58	2
Greenville.....	178	13	404	45	1
Greenville Circuit.....	841	39	226	2	3
Pickensville Circuit.....	405	50	75	14	3
Keowee Mission.....	173	8	9	.....	.....
	462	2418	2142	328	20

Recapitulation.

	White Mem's.	White Prob's.	Col'd Mem's.	Col'd Prob's.	Loc'l Pr's.
Charleston District.....	2089	118	3652	1098	13
Orangeburg.....	3619	289	4081	370	30
Marion.....	4661	728	5955	913	43
Columbia.....	3458	480	8259	1224	21
Cokesbury.....	4884	429	5566	679	29
Wadesboro.....	5499	608	4018	660	26
Catawba.....	5970	1432	2669	852	29
Spartanburg.....	4622	418	2142	328	20
Total this year.....	34,802	4502	36,342	6124	211
Total last year.....	34,387	3299	40,335	5432	220
Increase.....	415	1203	3,993	692	9
Decrease.....					

Ques. 17. What amounts are necessary for the superannuated preachers, and the widows and orphans of preachers, and to make up the deficiencies of those who have not obtained their regular allowance in their respective districts, circuits, and stations?

\$10,605.

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

Collected, \$10,772  
Distributed among thirty-six claimants, according to the Discipline.

Ques. 19. What has been contributed for the Missionary, Sunday-school, and Tract Societies? For Missions, \$38,833 97

Ques. 20. Where and when shall the next session of the Conference be held?

At Newberry, S. C.

Ques. 21. Where are the preachers stationed this year?

CHARLESTON DISTRICT.

Thomas Raysor, P. E.

{ Charleston, Elias J. Maynardie, Fred. Auld.  
City Colored Mission, F. A. Mood, William W. Wilson.

{ Walterboro, M. L. Banks, J. C. Hartsell.  
 { Upper Edisto Mission, Abram Nettles.  
 { St. Andrew's Mission, John E. Penny.  
 { Pon Pon Mission, Peyton G. Bowman.  
 { Ashepoo and Combahee, James W. Coward.  
 Bamberg, Andrew J. Stokes.  
 Allendale, John A. Mood.  
 Black Swamp, John W. D. Crook.  
 Savannah River Mission, to be supplied.  
 Prince William, to be supplied.  
 Bluffton, to be supplied.  
 Beaufort, to be supplied.  
 Edisto, to be supplied.  
 Jehossee, Benjamin Jenkins.

Alexander B. Stephens, J. W. Miller, Chaplains in C. S. Army.

ORANGEBURG DISTRICT.

*W. G. Connor, P. E.*

Orangeburg, Abel M. Chrietzberg.  
 St. Matthew's, Allen McCorquodale.  
 Upper Orange, John W. McRoy.  
 Providence, W. A. Clarke.  
 Summerville, John L. Sifley.  
 Mount Holly Mission, to be supplied.  
 Cooper River, Jacob S. Connor.  
 Cooper River Mission, to be supplied.  
 St. James's Goose Creek, to be supplied.  
 St. George's, Charles Wilson.  
 Blackville, William Hutto.  
 Edisto Fork Mission, Edmund A. Price.  
 Barnwell and Silverton Mission, J. R. Coburn,  
 W. W. Graham, Sup.  
 Aiken, to be supplied.  
 Graniteville Mission, John R. Pickett.  
 Lexington, William Carson, George W. Byrd.

MARION DISTRICT.

*Tracy R. Walsh, P. E.*

Marion, Thomas Mitchell.  
 Marion Circuit, M. A. McKibben, J. A. Wood.  
 { Georgetown and Sampit Mission, W. W. Mood.  
 { Santee Mission, to be supplied.  
 Black River and Pedee Mission, Joseph Parker.  
 Waccamaw, Charles Betts.  
 Conwayboro, Duncan J. McMillan.  
 Conwayboro Circuit, A. Ervin, H. J. Morgan.  
 Darlington, W. A. Gamewell.  
 Darlington Circuit, Lewis M. Hamer, one to be  
 supplied, J. F. Wilson, Sup.  
 Lynchburg, John M. Crider.  
 Brownsville, Simpson Jones.  
 Williamsburg Circuit and Black Mingo Mission,  
 John W. Murray, Thomas W. Munnerlyn.  
 Liberty Chapel and Lynch's Creek, R. Randolph  
 Pegues.  
 James H. Tart, George H. Wells, J. J. Snow,  
 W. A. Hemmingway, Chaplains in C. S. Army.

COLUMBIA DISTRICT.

*R. J. Boyd, P. E.*

Columbia:  
 Washington Street, W. P. Mouzon.

Columbia:

{ Marion Street, William T. Capers.  
 { Mission to Colored People, William Martin.  
 { Congaree Mission, Nicholas Talley.  
 { Columbia Circuit, D. W. Seale, S. Townsend.  
 { Richland Fork Mission, Cornelius McLeod.  
 Fairfield, John W. Kelly, C. Thomason.  
 { Chester, Samuel Leard.  
 { Sandy River Mission, J. T. Kilgo.  
 Rocky Mount, Andrew J. Cauthen.  
 Camden, John T. Wightman.  
 Wateree Mission, Jacob L. Shuford.  
 Sumter, Dennis J. Simmons.  
 Sumter Circuit, Paul F. Kistler.  
 Bishopville, Augustus W. Walker.  
 { Santee, John W. North.  
 { Upper Santee Mission, E. J. Pennington.  
 { Manchester Mission, James L. Stoudemire  
 Manning, James C. Stoll.  
 Columbia Female College, H. M. Mood, President.

M. Brown, James B. Campbell, Chaplains in C. S. Army.

COKESBURY DISTRICT.

*Sidi H. Brown, P. E.*

Cokesbury, Lewis M. Little, S. B. Jones, Sup.  
 Abbeville, Thomas G. Herbert, J. E. Watson.  
 { Ninety-six, W. A. McSwain, R. B. Tarrant, Sup.  
 { Saluda River Mission, W. H. Lawton.  
 Mapleton, Peter L. Herman.  
 Edgefield, Alexander L. Smith.  
 Butler, Robert C. Oliver.  
 Newberry, William J. E. Frippe.  
 Newberry Circuit, M. A. Connelly, John R.  
 Little, J. W. Wightman.  
 Laurens, John H. Zimmerman, J. J. Workman.  
 Pickens, T. Sumter Daniel.  
 Pendleton, W. A. Hodges, John M. Carlisle.  
 Anderson, John H. C. McKinney.  
 W. C. Power, W. L. Black, H. D. Moore, A.  
 W. Moore, Chaplains in C. S. Army.

WADESBORO DISTRICT.

*Charles Taylor, P. E.*

Wadesboro, A. S. Link, H. C. Parsons, Sup.  
 Wadesboro Circuit, John W. Puett, T. A. Boone.  
 Ansonville, Landy Wood.  
 Albemarle, John W. Abernathy.  
 Concord, James Stacy, W. S. Haltom, Sup.  
 Concord Circuit, Basil G. Jones.  
 Monroe, W. W. Jones, E. A. Lemmond.  
 { Lancaster, C. E. Land.  
 { Catawba River Mission, G. W. M. Creighton.  
 Chesterfield, Oliver Eady.  
 Cheraw, John B. Massebeau.  
 Coalfields Railroad Mission, Wesley L. Pegues.  
 { Bennettsville, J. A. Porter, one to be supplied.  
 { Society Hill Mission, Daniel A. Ogburn.  
 F. M. Kennedy, A. N. Wells, L. A. Johnson,  
 Chaplains in C. S. Army.

CATAWBA DISTRICT.

*R. P. Franks, P. E.*

Shelby, George W. Ivey.  
 Lincolnton, Osgood A. Darby.

Dallas, James D. Carpenter.  
 Yorkville, Edward G. Gage.  
 York, Samuel A. Roper.  
 Rock Hill, Augustus R. Bennick, Daniel  
 May.  
 Pineville, John Finger.  
 Charlotte, Claudius H. Pritchard.  
 Charlotte Circuit, Louis Scarborough.  
 Catawba, James M. Cline, one to be supplied.  
 { Lenoir, Abram P. Avant.  
 { Caldwell Mission, George F. Round.  
 Morganton, John Watts.  
 South Mountain Mission, Israel P. Hughes.  
 Davenport Female College, A. G. Stacy, Presi-  
 dent.  
 Eugene W. Thompson, S. J. Hill, Chaplains  
 in C. S. Army.

## SPARTANBURG DISTRICT.

*W. H. Fleming, P. E.*

Spartanburg, W. Smith, John W. Humbert.  
 Spartanburg Circuit, Van Buren A. Sharpe.  
 McDowell, Thomas H. Edwards.  
 Rutherford, James S. Ervin.  
 Columbus, Richard R. Dagnall.  
 Pacolet, Samuel A. Webber.  
 Goshen Hill, William Bowman.  
 Union, H. A. C. Walker, C. Murchison, Sup.  
 Greenville, Robert B. Alston.  
 Greenville Circuit, W. C. Kirkland, N. K. Mel-  
 ton, A. H. Lester.  
 { Pickensville, T. J. Clyde, D. D. Byars, Sup.  
 { Keowee Mission, Francis M. Morgan.  
 Wofford College, A. M. Shipp, President; W.  
 Smith, Professor.

## 15.—GEORGIA CONFERENCE.

HELD AT COLUMBUS, GA., Nov. 25—Dec. 3, 1863.

BISHOP EARLY, *President*; J. BLAKELY SMITH, *Secretary*.

QUESTION 1. Who are admitted on trial?

ANSWER. William C. Malloy, John R. Deering, Eldridge K. Aiken, Willis T. Caldwell, James O. A. Cook, James A. Baugh. 6.

Ques. 2. Who remain on trial?

William Asbury Dodge, William C. Dunlap, John F. Ellison, Benjamin J. Baldwin, John R. Parker, Robert N. Andrews, James T. Lowe, Morgan Calloway, John W. Neese, William B. Merritt, J. Tabor Payne, James L. Fowler. 12.

Ques. 3. Who are admitted into full connection?

Isaac S. T. Hopkins, Anderson J. Jarrell, G. S. Johnson, Leonidas R. Redding, William W. Stewart, Robert A. Holland, Benjamin W. Williams, John A. Reynolds, George L. W. Anthony, John R. Gaines, William A. J. Fulton, Henry D. Murphy, James R. Stewart, R. A. Seale. 14.

Ques. 4. Who are readmitted?

William P. Harrison. 1.

Ques. 5. Who are received by transfer from other Conferences?

Julius T. Curtis, Cornelius W. Parker, Benjamin J. Johnson. 3.

Ques. 6. Who are the deacons of one year?

Norman D. Morehouse, Wesley Lane, Thomas J. Embry, William W. Oslin, John M. Lowrey, Robert H. Rogers, William A. Rogers, Britton Sanders, Sanford Leake, Olin S. Means. 10.

Ques. 7. What traveling preachers are elected and ordained deacons?

Isaac S. T. Hopkins, Anderson J. Jarrell, G. S. Johnson, Leonidas R. Redding, William W. Stewart, Robert A. Holland, W. A. J. Fulton, John R. Gaines. 8.

Ques. 8. What local preachers are elected and ordained deacons?

Francis M. Ragsdale, John Oslin, Augustin O. Stanley, Henson Norton, Tomlinson F. McCarty, Edward H. Henry, John W. Kaigler, James R. Hayes, Francis A. Wheelles, James M. Barnes, Charles A. Conner, James A. Thornton, James A. Spivey, George T. Embry, William B. Norris, William P. Jones,\* William L. Wooten,\* Thomas C. Prickett,\* W. J. Gilliland,\* J. O'Donnely,\* F. B. Davies,\* Constantine B. Anderson,\* Absalom Longino,\* Jackson M. Farrabee,\* Robert H. Harris,\* William Seay,\* Henry S. Ledbetter,\* Joseph Bradfield.† 28.

Ques. 9. What traveling preachers are elected and ordained elders?

Gibson C. Andrews, Ebenezer G. Murrah, J. J. Singleton, Atticus G. Haygood, Robert F. Williamson, Levi P. Neese. 6.

Ques. 10. What local preachers are elected and ordained elders?

Meshach A. Maddux, James R. Ware, William

\*Elected, but not ordained.

†Previously ordained.



M. Crymes, Robert B. Lovett, Luther M. Smith,\* Ephraim Sweat,\* Thomas G. Scott,\* Joseph H. Beall,† J. N. Owen,† D. S. T. Douglass.† 10.

Ques. 11. Who have located this year?

Marshall G. Jenkins, Whitefield Anthony, H. W. Hilliard. 3.

Ques. 12. Who are supernumerary?

Alexander Means, Young F. Tignor, Miller H. White, Jacob R. Owen, Jesse R. Littlejohn, J. H. Mashburn, John H. Harris, John B. Wardlaw, Isaac N. Craven, Jackson Rush, D. Crenshaw, James R. Stewart, John W. Trawick, W. J. Parks, George Bright. 15.

Ques. 13. Who are superannuated?

Francis W. Baggerly, Jesse W. Carroll, John S. Ford, Eli Bennett, James Dunwody, Windsor Graham, Charles L. Hayes, John Knight, J. J. M. Mapp, James Quillian, Edmund W. Reynolds, John Simmons, Claiborne Trussell, William B. McHan, J. B. C. Quillian, John H. Robinson, Joseph T. Smith, Allen Turner, David Blalock, George G. Smith, Samuel J. Bellah, John P. Howell, John W. Glenn, John M. Bright, R. A. Conner. 25.

Ques. 14. What preachers have died during the past year?

James Hunter, Alex. Gordon, John Strickland, Thomas H. Jordan, Elijah N. Boland, Robert N. Cotter, Charles Mouzon Smith, William C. D. Perry, John K. Leak. 9.

JAMES HUNTER died Dec. 10, 1862. Of his early life, conversion, and call to the ministry, we have no account. In 1806, he was admitted on trial in the South Carolina Conference, and traveled until 1815, when his name disappears, to be seen again in connection with the Alcove Circuit in 1829-30. In 1831-2, he was assigned to the Monroe Circuit; to Fayette, in 1833; superannuated in 1834; traveled Newnan in 1835; Hamilton, in 1836; superannuated six years; was appointed to the Greenville Circuit in 1843; Thomaston, in 1844; and superannuated, finally, in 1845. Of this venerable man we would say but little: let his works praise him. Seeking as he did the honor of God, and having no ear for the adulations of earth, we shall tread softly on his sleeping dust. Among his chief characteristics were gentleness, meekness, temperance, patience, industry, unflinching opposition to sin in its most specious appearance, and a constant, ardent attachment to the doctrines, polity, and usages of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South. In spirit, he was ever present with the Church, whether assembled for prayer and praise, or deliberation and aggression. During the last session of the Georgia Conference, he contracted his fatal illness, and returned home to linger a few days—to set his house in order—to die. Those who knew Brother Hunter will not pause to inquire of his last moments. "Having served his generation, by the will of God he fell on sleep, and was laid unto his fathers."

ALEXANDER GORDON was admitted into the Georgia Conference in 1835, and appointed to the Liberty and Darien Circuit. His fields of labor, subsequently, were Ogeechee Mission, in 1836; Canoochee Mission, in 1837; Ogeechee Mission, in 1838-40; and Cherokee Hill, in 1841-2. His name does not occur in the Minutes of 1843. He was superannuated in 1844. For the most part, he was continued in this relation until his death. Brother Gordon was a simple-hearted, fervent old man, always cheerful, always ready to do what he could to promote the cause of Christ, preaching, sometimes, when he was not able to stand more than ten minutes. After an illness of about six months, he died Jan. 4, 1863, "strong in faith, and giving glory to God."

JOHN STRICKLAND was an acceptable, laborious, successful minister—one who was consecrated to God, filled with the Spirit, constrained by the love of Christ, and whose highest ambition was to save his own soul and the souls of others. With such preparation, it is not astonishing that he was ready for the most difficult and uninviting fields, and not unfrequently exchanged for months the pleasures of home for the privilege of winning souls. Nor is it surprising that he triumphed over the disadvantages of a defective early education, and made an annual report of two hundred accessions to the Church. "He was a good man, full of the Holy Ghost and faith; and much people were added to the Lord." His entire career, including conversion, call to the ministry, and subsequent success, affords a sublime commentary on the achievements of grace. Brother Strickland joined the Conference Jan. 10, 1850; was Chaplain to the Fortieth Georgia Regiment, and attended Bragg's army in the memorable Kentucky campaign. His last illness was contracted on his way home, and was aggravated by a failure to secure shelter. A few days after his arrival, he died in great peace, assuring his family that all was well.

THOMAS H. JORDAN died in Savannah, July 29, 1863. He commenced preaching when quite a young man, and joined the Conference in 1849. He has filled some of the most important and prominent charges in the Conference—always with great acceptability, and sometimes with much success. He was greatly beloved by all who knew him, and was a special favorite among his brethren in the ministry. He possessed a strong and vigorous intellect, with fine pulpit powers; and was a man of much more than ordinarily noble and generous impulses—ardent, devoted, and impulsive in his temperament, entering enthusiastically into every undertaking of life; and also bold and fearless, determined and courageous, in the performance of duty. He served in the army, both as chaplain and captain. During the last months of his life he preached often and most usefully to his own command, and his labors were blessed with a gracious revival of religion among them, in which he was zealously laboring up to the day

\* Elected, but not ordained.

† Previously ordained.

he left for his home, on a sick furlough, obtained at the earnest request of friends, to recruit his own health, and also to obtain recruits for his squadron. The day he reached his family he told his wife that he had come home to die, and, continuing in this persuasion, he began calmly and industriously to put his house in order, and arrange all his temporal affairs, as if confident of his change. Some five days afterward, he was suddenly attacked with the cholera, and in about thirty hours died in great peace. Although he suffered most intensely during his illness, he was patient, calm, and met death with the greatest possible composure—yea, triumph. When it was known that he must die, he was asked what was the state of his mind and prospects in view of his probable end. He replied, "All is bright and clear; not a cloud between me and my God. I now trust alone in the merits of Jesus Christ, and feel the presence of the Holy Spirit now with me—no fear, no doubt." He then sent messages of love and affection to his brethren in the ministry, the Conference, and beloved ones away. A little while before his death, while prayer was being offered around his bedside, he was filled with rapture and praise, shouted aloud, and declared that, though he was passing through the valley of the shadow of death, he feared no evil, saying, "For thou art with me; thy rod and thy staff, they comfort me—they *comfort* me;" and then raising and clapping his hands, already cold in death, he cried with a loud voice, "Triumph! Triumph! Triumph! Victory!" which were his last words, for soon after he peacefully fell asleep in Jesus.

ELIJAH N. BOLAND was born in Muscogee county, Ga. He embraced religion about the close of the Mexican war, and was admitted into the Georgia Conference, at La Grange, in 1855. He served successively the colored missions in Talbot, in Columbus, on the Chattahoochee, and in Georgetown. His education was limited, but, being studious, he was rapidly improving as a preacher. He would work hard all the week, study at night, and preach on Sundays. He enlisted as a private in the Forty-sixth Regiment Georgia Volunteers, expecting to be made chaplain to the regiment. In this expectation, however, he was disappointed. He was faithful in his country's service, and maintained his Christian walk. He died in one of the hospitals of the city of Rome, in September last, with no Christian friend near to minister to him and receive his dying message; but his life gives us the best assurance of his peaceful, happy end.

ROBERT N. COTTER, the son of J. V. and M. Cotter, was born in Hall county, Ga., April 11, 1826. When he was six years old, his father removed to Murray county. The country was then new, and education but little attended to. In the seventeenth year of his age he joined the Church, and commenced praying in public before he enjoyed the comforts of religion, which he realized not long afterward. For several years he was class-leader and exhorter. In 1854, he was admitted into the Georgia Confer-

ence, and appointed as junior preacher to the Hamilton Circuit. In 1855, he served the Stewart Circuit in the same capacity. He was appointed to the Jacksonville Circuit in 1856, during which year he was married to Miss Caroline McKae, of Telfair county. He was returned to the same circuit in 1857. He was appointed to McIntosh Mission in 1858-9; to Swainesboro Mission, in 1860; to Mount Vernon Mission, in 1861-2; to Swainesboro again, in 1863, where he died of typhoid fever, May 6, perfectly resigned and willing to die. Brother Cotter was a simple, earnest preacher, dwelling more on Christ as his ministry drew to a close. He never was known to complain of his appointment, but was willing to labor anywhere in his Master's vineyard. He has fallen asleep in Jesus, but, thank God, it is not a "sleep which knows no waking."

CHARLES MOUZON SMITH was born June 28, 1841. He was the son of Robert S. Smith, of Washington, Ga., and the nephew of the Rev. Whiteford Smith, of the South Carolina Conference. He joined the Church under the ministry of the Rev. J. O. A. Clark, in Washington, Ga., when he was sixteen years old, and engaged at once in the duties of a Sunday-school teacher, having a large class of colored catechumens. He was licensed to preach in 1859, and entered the traveling connection at the Rome Conference. He was appointed junior preacher on the Richmond Circuit. The next year he was assigned to the Isle of Hope. In 1862, he was appointed junior preacher on the Waynesboro Circuit. The Rev. Robert B. Lester, preacher in charge, being a chaplain in the army, could not enter upon his work until the month of May, and in the meanwhile the whole work of that large circuit devolved upon Brother Smith. It was too much for him, and, being exceedingly zealous, he fell a sacrifice in the cause of his Lord and Master. While engaged in prayer, in the spring of that year, he was taken with a violent hemorrhage of the lungs, from the effects of which he never recovered. Just before this, he had been married to Miss Florence Harris, of Richmond county. At our last Conference he was placed on the list of superannuated preachers. He continued to be a great sufferer, and died of consumption, at the house of his father-in-law, Oct. 9, 1863. Brother Smith was a young man of great promise, and regarded as one of the best preachers of his age. He was devoted, zealous, pious. He fell in the early dawn of his manhood, but conquered when he fell. His end was peace.

WILLIAM C. D. PERRY was admitted on trial in the Conference in 1859, and was appointed to the Watkinsville Circuit; in 1860, to Elberton Circuit; 1861, Stewart Circuit; 1862, Starkville Mission; 1863, Clarksville Circuit. He was exposed to small-pox, in the early part of the year, and became infected with it, and, after great suffering, died in the latter part of March last. He was a man of deep, consistent piety, modest and diffident to a fault. He was zealous

and useful on his work, and death found him not unprepared for his change. God was with him in consoling power, enabling him to triumph over death. Not a cloud was left to throw a shadow over the closing scene.

JOHN K. LEAK was born in Newton county, Ga., in 1834. He embraced religion when quite young, and gave himself with remarkable assiduity to the cultivation of his mind and heart. Indeed, he is said to have been a student from his very childhood; and his early application to grave and serious subjects, and especially subjects pertaining to godliness, justified the fond expectations entertained by kindred and friends that his would be a long, honored, and useful life. This expectation strengthened as youth developed into manhood. He graduated at Emory College with distinction, in 1856, and shortly after studied law, and was admitted to the bar. About this time his health failed, and for a year or more he was alike disqualified for business and study. From the period of his conversion he had labored under a strong persuasion that it was his duty to preach the gospel. It now matured into clear and solemn conviction, and he resolved to shape his future course in reference to the studies and responsibilities which it involves. Accordingly, with returning health, in 1858, he was licensed to preach, and with characteristic modesty and self-distrust entered upon the work of a local preacher. During 1859-60 he presided with great efficiency over the Carrolton Female Institute, and at the same time labored with encouraging success as a minister. In 1861, he was employed on the Greenville Circuit, and at the close of the year was received into this Conference. In 1862, he was stationed in Newnan and Palmetto, and the present year he was appointed President of Andrew Female College, and junior preacher on Cuthbert Station. He had barely entered upon this work, and made his arrangements for the year, when he was interrupted by the appearance of small-pox within the bounds of his charge. Not being aware of the fact that he had been in contact with this dreaded infection, he went into Houston county, on a visit to his wife's relatives, and while there the fatal disease was developed. His sufferings were severe, but of short duration. Cut off from the kindly visits and ministrations of friends—attended alone by his wife and her grandfather, the Rev. Howell Cobb—he encountered the last enemy, death. He was patient and resigned under all his sufferings, and often triumphant. On Feb. 7th, the final hour came. It found his mind clear, and his spiritual sky cloudless; and in undoubting faith and holy serenity he passed away. Seldom is the Church called upon to mourn the death of one so gifted, so cultivated, and full of rich promise of usefulness; but we would bow with meek submission to Him whose ways are just and counsels wise.

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

Ques. 16. What is the number of preachers and members in the several circuits, stations, and missions of the Conference?

Augusta District.

	White Mem's.	White Prob's.	Col'd Mem's.	Col'd Prob's.	Loc'l Pr's.
Augusta:					
St. John's.....	352	6	.....	.....	.....
St. James's.....	250	41	.....	.....	2
Asbury Mission and Trinity .....	181	45	990	92	1
Savannah:					
Trinity and Wesley Chapel.....	459	33	.....	.....	2
Andrew Chapel.....	.....	.....	295	62	6
Isle of Hope.....	23	.....	4	1	.....
Springfield.....	334	36	174	84	3
Sylvania.....	452	40	210	33	6
Bethel and Col'd Miss..	93	8	307	54	2
Waynesboro .....	471	3	.....	.....	3
Burke Colored Mission.....	.....	.....	725	325	.....
Louisville & Col. Miss..	384	35	220	75	6
Columbia & Col. Miss..	.....	.....	230	200	.....
Richmond & Col. Miss.	400	18	50	5	2
Warrenton .....	580	40	497	65	7
Glasecock Mission.....	201	23	51	11	4
	4180	328	3753	1027	45

Athens District.

Athens.....	440	7	.....	.....	3
Athens Col'd Charge....	.....	.....	295	15	.....
Watkinsville and Colored Mission.....	428	78	138	43	5
Factory Mission.....	210	.....	.....	.....	.....
Jefferson & Col'd Miss..	755	66	.....	109	8
Madison .....	118	6	150	9	.....
Morgan & Col'd Miss ...	145	6	170	4	1
Greensboro .....	420	20	450	50	3
Lexington & Col. Miss.	366	12	188	.....	1
Washington.....	108	9	107	11	1
Wilkes & Col'd Miss....	250	50	40	60	1
Broad River Mission....	25	.....	88	.....	.....
Lincolnton & Col. Miss.	235	17	100	8	4
Elberton & Col. Miss....	430	25	286	50	2
	3930	296	2012	359	29

Dahlonega District.

Dahlonega Station.....	117	6	30	.....	3
Dahlonega Circuit.....	245	16	2	.....	2
Cumming.....	570	41	46	12	4
Clarkesville .....	565	50	123	24	11
Blairsville.....	500	34	.....	.....	6
Morgantown Mission...	400	20	.....	.....	5
Ellijay .....	700	60	30	.....	6
Canton .....	754	80	73	.....	10
Gainesville.....	350	12	58	.....	4
Carnesville .....	850	30	37	5	6
Hartwell Circuit.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Clayton Mission.....	136	10	5	2	.....
	5187	359	404	43	57

Rome District.

Rome and Col'd Miss...	125	2	.....	.....	2
Cave Spring.....	558	89	145	33	10
Etowah.....	550	50	.....	.....	6
Cedar Town.....	50	18	25	20	1
Manassas.....	560	56	340	44	10
Euharlee Mission .....	206	14	5	.....	1
Calhoun .....	600	28	130	40	9
Spring Place .....	550	150	27	8	9
La Fayette .....	584	108	52	.....	9
Dalton.....	81	.....	44	10	2

Ques. 15. Are all the preachers blameless in their life and official administration?

Rome District, (continued.)

	White Mem's.	White Prob's.	Col'd Mem's.	Col'd Prob's.	Loc'l Pr's.
Whitefield .....	440	13	59	10	10
Ringgold .....	290	44	.....	.....	6
Summerville.....	792	60	180	25	13
	5386	632	1007	190	88

Atlanta District.

	White Mem's.	White Prob's.	Col'd Mem's.	Col'd Prob's.	Loc'l Pr's.
Atlanta:					
Wesley Chapel.....	410	59	.....	.....	4
Colored Mission.....	.....	.....	290	125	.....
Trinity .....	253	63	.....	.....	2
City Mission .....	140	12	2	.....	2
Atlanta Circuit.....	650	28	107	.....	4
Decatur .....	384	18	21	1	4
Covington.....	126	.....	85	20	2
Oxford Circuit and Colored Mission.....	877	28	228	10	16
Monroe .....	689	18	.....	.....	.....
Marietta & Col. Charge.	198	5	228	12	4
Alpharetta.....	606	78	28	7	13
Powder Springs and Dallas	515	31	50	12	10
Paulding Mission .....	120	20	1	1	1
Lawrenceville.....	889	67	147	41	6
	5887	427	1187	229	68

La Grange District.

	White Mem's.	White Prob's.	Col'd Mem's.	Col'd Prob's.	Loc'l Pr's.
La Grange.....	213	40	200	84	3
Troup .....	274	66	159	26	2
West Point, Bethel, and Long Cane .....	221	40	157	39	.....
Greenville & Col'd Mis.	750	167	464	100	8
Coweta.....	669	82	350	15	12
Newnan and Palmetto.	271	8	195	18	3
Franklin .....	200	30	177	100	2
Houston Mission.....	179	41	2	6	1
Carrollton .....	875	30	30	.....	14
Campbellton.....	372	12	48	.....	5
Haralson Mission.....	200	19	4	.....	6
	4224	535	1786	388	56

Griffin District.

	White Mem's.	White Prob's.	Col'd Mem's.	Col'd Prob's.	Loc'l Pr's.
Griffin .....	272	45	174	22	6
Griffin Colored Mission	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Zebulun & Barnesville.	632	127	393	184	9
Fayetteville & Col. Mis.	489	36	110	3	9
Thomaston Circuit.....	532	52	424	29	.....
Jackson .....	224	35	149	26	2
Monticello & Col. Miss.	278	47	325	90	6
McDonough & Jonesboro .....	717	25	.....	.....	7
Culloden .....	450	106	353	72	3
	3594	473	1928	426	42

Macon District.

	White Mem's.	White Prob's.	Col'd Mem's.	Col'd Prob's.	Loc'l Pr's.
Macon and Vineville.....	537	109	.....	.....	4
Macon Colored Charge	.....	.....	638	110	.....
Macon City Mission .....	215	36	.....	.....	1
Milledgeville.....	221	51	247	40	2
Sparta .....	155	39	216	26	1
Buffalo Mission.....	.....	.....	100	.....	.....
Hancock & Col'd Miss.	357	18	466	53	2
Putnam & Col'd Miss...	395	16	.....	45	2
Eatonton .....	120	20	166	21	2
Clinton & Col'd Miss...	290	32	327	133	.....
Perry.....	455	98	470	50	8
Fort Valley .....	727	40	452	20	11
Everett Mission .....	.....	.....	174	16	.....
Hebron Mission.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Forsyth Mission.....	109	17	57	6	2
Forsyth Circuit.....	322	98	350	.....	4
	3903	569	3063	520	39

Columbus District.

	White Mem's.	White Prob's.	Col'd Mem's.	Col'd Prob's.	Loc'l Pr's.
Columbus:					
St. Luke.....	499	69	.....	.....	2
Girard.....	51	6	.....	.....	.....
St. Paul.....	201	8	.....	.....	2
Factory Mission .....	250	25	800	200	2
Talbotton .....	183	2	182	29	1
Hamilton .....	147	8	111	7	2
Whitesville.....	355	13	78	13	4
Ellaville .....	250	125	50	50	7
Buena Vista.....	329	112	174	33	2
Butler Circuit.....	460	62	142	18	5
Jamestown .....	145	8	147	20	1
Upatoi .....	131	50	28	11	4
Centreville .....	208	11	180	16	3
Geneva.....	198	17	120	27	5
Bellevue .....	219	16	175	14	1
Muscogee .....	199	.....	174	.....	.....
	3825	532	2361	438	41

Americus District.

	White Mem's.	White Prob's.	Col'd Mem's.	Col'd Prob's.	Loc'l Pr's.
Americus and Colored Charge.....	249	16	104	33	1
Sumter .....	516	221	239	123	7
Dawson .....	386	.....	135	.....	6
Randolph .....	321	72	98	109	3
Cuthbert, Emmaus, } and Fort Gaines .....	259	2	261	48	2
Lumpkin & Green Hill	57	12	80	43	.....
Stewart.....	160	31	142	50	4
Chattahoochee Miss...	312	44	166	38	3
Webster .....	.....	.....	425	83	.....
Georgetown & Col. Mis.	198	49	170	14	3
Starkville .....	50	3	52	12	.....
Vienna .....	75	48	41	41	1
Oglethorpe and Traveler's Rest.....	400	60	140	70	4
Isabella Mission.....	155	32	189	62	2
	121	40	38	13	1
	3259	630	2275	739	37

Sandersville District.

	White Mem's.	White Prob's.	Col'd Mem's.	Col'd Prob's.	Loc'l Pr's.
Sandersville Circuit.....	386	62	240	96	1
Irwinton .....	263	27	72	24	2
Jeffersonville.....	241	32	114	38	3
Dublin .....	353	74	81	14	5
Jacksonville.....	600	25	50	3	6
Reidsville.....	475	70	60	30	3
Mount Vernon Mission	257	64	18	55	1
Hinesville.....	316	12	325	39	4
Liberty Colored Miss...	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Bryan Circuit.....	72	11	6	1	.....
Statesboro Mission.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Darien and McIntosh...	119	9	103	4	1
Swainsboro .....	100	42	19	19	4
	3182	428	1088	323	30

Recapitulation.

	White Mem's.	White Prob's.	Col'd Mem's.	Col'd Prob's.	Loc'l Pr's.
Augusta District.....	4180	348	3753	1027	46
Athens .....	3930	296	2012	359	29
Dahlonega .....	5187	359	404	43	57
Rome .....	5386	632	1007	190	88
Atlanta .....	5887	427	1187	229	68
La Grange .....	4224	535	1786	388	56
Griffin .....	3594	473	1928	426	42
Macon .....	3903	569	3063	520	39
Columbus .....	3825	532	2361	438	41
Americus .....	3259	630	2275	739	37
Sandersville .....	3182	428	1088	323	30
Total this year.....	46,557	5209	21,464	4682	532
Total last year.....	47,671	5802	21,656	4392	529
Increase .....	.....	.....	.....	290	3
Decrease .....	1,114	593	192	.....	.....

Ques. 17. What amounts are necessary for the superannuated preachers, and the widows and orphans of preachers, and to make up the deficiencies of those who have not obtained their regular allowance in their respective districts, circuits, and stations?  
\$14,700.

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

Collected,	\$29,562 40
Paid to claimants, expenses, etc., and a small balance to Preachers' Aid Society. (Paid 100 per cent. premium upon the claim.)	

Ques. 19. What has been contributed for the Missionary, Sunday-school, and Tract Societies?

For Missions,	\$68,190 52
For Sunday-schools,	3,308 25
For Tract Society,	24,782 50
For Bible Society,	5,150 00

Ques. 20. Where and when shall the next session of the Conference be held?

At Athens, Ga.

Ques. 21. Where are the preachers stationed this year?

#### AUGUSTA DISTRICT.

*Alfred T. Mann, P. E.*

Augusta:

{ St. John's, W. J. Scott, E. H. Myers.  
Asbury and Trinity Mission, Daniel D. Cox,  
W. H. Potter.

St. James's, H. J. Adams, James O. A. Clark.  
Savannah:

{ Trinity and Wesley Chapel, A. M. Wynn.  
Andrew Chapel, John F. Ellison.

Springfield, F. F. Reynolds, E. K. Aiken.

Sylvania, James Jones.

Bethel and Colored Mission, John J. Morgan,  
one to be supplied.

{ Waynesboro, Lewis L. Ledbetter, N. D. More-  
house.

{ Burke Colored Mission, Thomas B. Lanier.

Louisville and Colored Mission, D. R. McWil-  
liams, one to be supplied.

Columbia and Colored Mission, William A. Flor-  
ence, Julius T. Curtis.

Richmond and Colored Mission, I. S. T. Hopkins.

{ Warrenton, John H. Grogan.

{ Gibson Mission, Robert H. Rogers.

Georgia Relief and Hospital Association, Wey-  
man H. Potter.

Georgia Hospitals in Richmond, Va., William  
M. Crumley, Chaplain.

Southern Christian Advocate, Edward H. Myers,  
Editor.

Emory College, James O. A. Clark, Agent.

Army Missionaries, L. B. Payne, J. W. Turner.

William A. Dodge, Chaplain in C. S. Army.

#### ATHENS DISTRICT.

*Robert W. Bigham, P. E.*

{ Athens, Arminius Wright.

{ Athens Colored Charge, to be supplied.

{ Watkinsville and Colored Mission, Daniel J.  
Myrick, one to be supplied.

{ Factory Mission, Marshall F. Malsby.

Jefferson and Colored Mission, Joseph Chambers,  
James L. Fowler.

Madison, William R. Foote, James L. Pierce.

Morgan and Colored Mission, Daniel Kelsey.

Greensboro and Colored Mission, Miles W. Ar-  
nold, one to be supplied, W. J. Parks, Sup.

Lexington and Colored Mission, W. H. Evans,  
Olin S. Means.

Washington, William A. J. Fulton.

{ Wilkes and Colored Mission, John A. Rey-  
nolds, one to be supplied.

{ Broad River Mission, William T. Norman.

Lincolnton and Colored Mission, G. L. W. An-  
thony, one to be supplied.

Elberton and Colored Mission, James M. Austin,  
John W. Neese.

Madison Female College, James L. Pierce, ~~Presi-~~  
dent; W. R. Foote, Professor.

Thomas F. Pierce, Missionary to C. S. Army.

#### DAHLONEGA DISTRICT.

*Wesley P. Pledger, P. E.*

Dahlonega and Lumpkin Mission, L. Q. Allen.

Cumming, G. Hughes, John H. Mashburn, Sup.

Clarksville and Clayton Mission, E. G. Murrah.

Blairsville and Union Mission, to be supplied.

Morgantown Mission, to be supplied.

Ellijay, Henry D. Murphy.

Canton, Milford G. Hamby.

Gainesville, William C. Rowland.

Carnesville, Robert A. Seale.

Hartwell, John P. Bailey.

B. Sanders,\* J. W. Brady,\* J. R. Parker.\*

#### ROME DISTRICT.

*James B. Payne, P. E.*

Rome and Colored Mission, Atticus G. Haygood,  
one to be supplied.

Cave Spring, George S. Johnson.

Etowah, to be supplied.

Cedar Town, to be supplied.

{ Manassas, John W. McGehee.

{ Euharlee Mission, Robert H. Jones.

Calhoun, Benjamin Arbogast.

Spring Place, Samuel A. Clarke.

La Fayette Mission, Levi P. Neese.

Dalton, to be supplied.

Whitefield, to be supplied.

Ringgold Mission, Benjamin W. Williams.

Summerville, to be supplied.

Subligna, to be supplied.

James T. Lowe.\*

Anderson J. Jarrell, Chaplain in C. S. Army.

#### ATLANTA DISTRICT.

*Walter R. Branham, P. E.*

Atlanta:

{ Wesley Chapel, to be supplied, Isaac N.  
Craven, Sup.

{ Colored Mission, Richard J. Harwell.

\*In the C. S. Army.

## Atlanta:

- { Trinity, Harwell H. Parks.
- { City Mission, Dennis O'Driscoll.
- Atlanta Circuit, Moses A. Leake.
- Decatur, Henry Cranford.
- Covington and Oxford, John W. Yarbrough, A. Means, Sup.
- Newton and Colored Mission, Albert Gray, one to be supplied.
- Monroe, Tyre B. Harbin.
- Marietta and Colored Charge, G. H. Pattillo.
- Alpharetta, William W. Oslin.
- { Powder Springs and Dallas, John H. Caldwell, J. R. Owen, Sup.
- { Paulding Mission, to be supplied.
- Lawrenceville, John R. Gaines.

George W. Yarbrough, Missionary to Wofford's Brigade.

William C. Maloy, George Kramer, Chaplains in C. S. Army.

## LA GRANGE DISTRICT.

*J. Blakely Smith, P. E.*

- La Grange, William F. Cook, G. J. Pearce.
- Troup and Colored Mission, Thomas J. Embry, one to be supplied.
- West Point, Bethel, and Long Cane, Robert W. Dixon.
- Greenville and Colored Mission, John B. McGehee, John Deering.
- { Coweta, Michael A. Clontz.
- { Coweta Colored Mission, to be supplied.
- Newnan and Hospitals, Robert A. Holland.
- Palmetto and Colored Mission, W. M. D. Bond.
- Franklin, John W. Reynolds.
- Houston Mission, Alfred Dorman.
- Carrolton, John Murphy.
- { Campbellton, James L. Lupo.
- { Sandtown Mission, A. J. Deavors.
- Harralson Mission, Sanford Leake.
- La Grange Female College, G. J. Pearce, President and Agent.
- Missionary to China, Young J. Allen.

William A. Simmons, W. C. Dunlap, Chaplains in C. S. Army.

## GRIFFIN DISTRICT.

*James W. Hinton, P. E.*

- { Griffin, Charles R. Jewett, W. A. Rogers.
- { Griffin Colored Charge, to be supplied.
- Zebulun and Barnesville, D. T. Holmes, C. W. Parker, Jesse R. Littlejohn, Sup.
- Fayetteville and Colored Mission, James Harris.
- Thomaston Circuit, W. P. Arnold, Miller H. White, Sup., George Bright, Sup.
- Jackson, Benjamin J. Johnson.
- Monticello and Colored Mission, John E. Sentell, one to be supplied.
- McDonough and Jonesboro, Richard H. Waters, one to be supplied.
- { Culloden, George C. Clarke.
- { Culloden and Knoxville Mission, M. Bellah.
- Forsyth Station, Peter M. Ryburn.

Forsyth Circuit, William J. Cotter.  
Griffin Female College, W. A. Rogers, President.

James O. A. Cook, Chaplain in C. S. Army.  
David E. Starr.\*

## MACON DISTRICT.

*Josiah Lewis, P. E.*

## Macon:

- { Mulberry Street and Vineville, Eustace W. Speer, John M. Bonnell.
- { Colored Charge, J. W. Burke, S. S. Sweet.
- First Street and Mission, Thomas T. Christian, F. X. Forster.
- Milledgeville and Bethel, Charles A. Fulwood.
- { Sparta, Benjamin F. Breedlove.
- { Buffalo Mission, to be supplied.
- { Hancock, John W. Talley.
- { Factory Mission, James V. M. Morris.
- Putnam and Colored Mission, J. J. Singleton, one to be supplied.
- Eatonton, George G. N. MacDonell.
- Clinton and Colored Mission, Edmund P. Birch, one to be supplied.
- Perry, William G. Allen.
- { Fort Valley, John M. Marshall.
- { Everett Mission, James A. Baugh.
- Wesleyan Female College, John M. Bonnell, President; F. X. Forster, Professor.
- Book Depository, John W. Burke, Agent.
- Alex. M. Thigpen, Missionary to Colquitt's Brigade.

## COLUMBUS DISTRICT.

*James E. Evans, P. E.*

## Columbus:

- { St. Luke, William P. Harrison.
- { Girard, W. W. Robison.
- { Colored Charge, William J. Wardlaw.
- { St. Paul, Joseph S. Key.
- { Factory Mission, James T. Ainsworth.
- Talbotton, Caleb W. Key.
- { Hamilton, Alvin J. Dean.
- { Whitesville, R. F. Jones, Jackson Rush, Sup.
- { Ellaville, John F. Berry.
- { Buena Vista, R. F. Williamson, Y. F. Tignor, Sup.
- Butler, Cicero A. Mitchell, Wyatt Brooks.
- { Jamestown, William B. Merritt.
- { Upatoy, William W. Tidwell.
- { Centreville, William W. Stewart.
- { Belleview, William S. Turner.
- Geneva, J. Tabor Payne.
- Muscogee, Henry P. Pitchford.
- Sunday-school Society, Lovick Pierce, Agent.
- Leonard Rush, Chaplain in C. S. Army.

## AMERICUS DISTRICT.

*Lewis J. Davies, P. E.*

- Americus and Colored Charge, S. Anthony.
- Sumter, Edward A. H. McGehee, one to be supplied, James R. Stewart, Sup.

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Dawson, John P. Duncan, D. Crenshaw, Sup.  
 Randolph, B. J. Baldwin, J. H. Harris, Sup.  
 Cuthbert, Emmaus, and Fort Gaines, Walter  
 Knox, John B. Wardlaw, Sup.  
 Lumpkin and Green Hill, John T. Norris.  
 { Stewart, John C. Simmons, William T. Cald-  
 well.  
 { Chattahoochee Mission, to be supplied.  
 Webster, Leonidas R. Redding.  
 Georgetown and Mission, Joseph T. Turner.  
 Starkville and Colored Mission, Theophilus S.  
 L. Harwell.  
 Vienna, James M. Armstrong.  
 Isabella Mission, Gibson C. Andrews.

Morgan Calloway.\*  
 Thomas H. Stewart, Robert B. Lester, Mis-  
 sionaries to C. S. Army.

\* In the C. S. Army.

## SANDERSVILLE DISTRICT.

William S. Baker, P. E.

Sandersville, J. D. Anthony, one to be supplied.  
 Irwinton, Charles A. Moore.  
 Jeffersonville, J. M. Dickey, J. W. Traywick, Sup.  
 Dublin, John M. Lowrey.  
 Jacksonville, Philemon C. Harris.  
 Reidsville, William F. Conley.  
 Mount Vernon Mission, William T. McMichael.  
 Hinesville and Colored Mission, W. M. Watts.  
 Bryan Circuit, to be supplied.  
 Statesboro Mission, David W. Calhoun.  
 Darien and McIntosh, to be supplied.  
 Swainesboro, Wesley Lane.

Robert N. Andrews.\*  
 Alexander Graham and James B. Jackson,  
 transferred to Florida Conference.

\* In the C. S. Army.

## 16.—ALABAMA CONFERENCE.

HELD AT COLUMBUS, MISS., Nov. 25—Dec. 2, 1863.

BISHOP ANDREW, *President*; THOMAS W. DORMAN, *Secretary*.

QUESTION 1. Who are admitted on trial?

ANSWER. A. M. Brown, H. H. Kavanaugh, Jr.,  
 William H. Leith, T. G. Bracking, C. C. Ellis,  
 Ulysses B. Phillips, E. L. Loveless, William A.  
 Edwards. 8.

Ques. 2. Who remain on trial?

T. P. Roberts, O. P. Thomas, A. H. Hood, J.  
 K. Tansey, D. H. Hamner. 5.

Ques. 3. Who are admitted into full connec-  
 tion?

William R. Kirk, Hardie Brown, J. E. Foust,  
 J. H. Lockhart. 4.

Ques. 4. Who are readmitted?

William H. Riley, J. T. M. Gregory. 2.

Ques. 5. Who are received by transfer from  
 other Conferences?

None.

Ques. 6. Who are the deacons of one year?

J. W. Peavy, J. J. Grace, J. F. Evans, A. J.  
 Briggs, R. B. Crawford, J. A. Pace, George  
 Watson, J. G. Gurley, E. S. Smith. 9.

Ques. 7. What traveling preachers are elected  
 and ordained deacons?

Wm. R. Kirk, J. E. Foust, Hardie Brown. 3.

Ques. 8. What local preachers are elected and  
 ordained deacons?

John Spurlin, Hezekiah DuBose, A. M. Jones,  
 Rigdon J. Perry, J. L. Mouchett, C. E. Hardin,  
 H. H. Kavanaugh, Jr., William H. Leith, Wm.  
 M. Neal, James Prater, William J. Johnston,  
 John M. Evans, F. W. Vaughn, T. A. John-  
 ston, George F. Capps, A. B. Middlebrook,  
 Francis A. Lyles, James M. Paul. 18.

Ques. 9. What traveling preachers are elected  
 and ordained elders?

William H. Armstrong, W. E. Mabry, S. M.  
 Adams, J. E. Treadwell. 4.

Ques. 10. What local preachers are elected  
 and ordained elders?

Adam R. Howell, B. F. Larrabee, R. G. Re-  
 gan, Allen Weems, La Fayette Patterson, Charles  
 F. Britton. 6.

Ques. 11. Who have located this year?

James A. Clement, H. B. Cottrell, R. J. Sam-  
 pler. 3.

Ques. 12. Who are supernumerary?

W. H. McDaniel, R. Y. Rew, J. M. Jennings,  
 J. B. McLelland. 4.

Ques. 13. Who are superannuated?

E. V. Levert, Z. Dowling, G. Garrett, S. F.  
 Pilley, J. W. Starr, E. W. Story, Wm. Rhodes,  
 Thomas Lynch, J. T. Roper, J. W. Laney, J. W.

Brown, Jesse Ellis, W. P. Miller, L. Massingale, Ed. McMeans, A. J. Crawford, T. S. Abernethy, Sr., Uriah Williams, W. D. Matthews, T. M. Lynch, J. G. Rush, J. M. Hood, C. D. Nicholson. 23.

Ques. 14. What preachers have died during the past year?

Ebenezer Hearn, Alexander McBryde, F. G. Ferguson, J. W. Holston, Ezekiel T. Nabors, Jefferson Bond. 6.

EBENEZER HEARN was born in Montgomery county, N. C., in 1799, and was converted at the early age of seven. At seventeen he felt called to the ministry, but endeavored to stifle the impression. In the fall of 1815, he attended the session of the Tennessee Conference, when he resolved to confer no longer with flesh and blood. Having been duly licensed, he attended the next session of that body, and received his first appointment. For four years he remained in connection with that Conference, and was then transferred to Mississippi. He retained his connection with the latter until the year 1832. Upon the organization of the Alabama Conference he became a member of it, which continued to be the field of his labor until his death. During his ministry, comprehending a period of forty-six years, he served the Church in almost every capacity known to her economy, having been twenty-six years Presiding Elder, delegate to several sessions of the General Conference, and an agent for La Grange and Centenary Colleges, in all of which he displayed the zeal and faithfulness for which he was so much distinguished. Commencing his itinerant life without much education, by study and entire devotion to the one great work of preaching the gospel, he rendered himself one of the most useful preachers of the Church. He possessed true nobility of character. He was by nature a gentleman. There were united in him the simplicity of the child and the genuine dignity of the man. He was a genial companion, devoted friend, kind husband, and affectionate father. As a Christian, he was deeply versed in the things of God. He had strong faith, lively hope, and burning love. As a minister, he was laborious, energetic, and zealous. He never betrayed any trust committed into his hands. His punctuality in filling his appointments was proverbial, having never failed to meet them except when providentially prevented. At the last session of the Conference it was deemed best to give him a superannuated relation. Several days after the beginning of the session he was taken sick. At the close of the Conference he was too sick to leave for home. In compliance with medical advice, and his own wishes, he was carried on Sunday, 21st December, to the city of Montgomery, where he remained until he expired. Upon being asked if his trust was still in Jesus, he replied, "All is well; there is not a cloud." Thus lived and died this noble servant of God and the Church.

ALEXANDER MCBRYDE, long known and beloved in the Alabama Conference, laid down his armor of the gospel and went to his reward in

heaven, Dec. 22, 1862. He was born in Marlboro District, S. C., June 23, 1816, and joined the M. E. Church in 1837, was licensed to preach and recommended to the Annual Conference, Nov. 13, 1841, and admitted at the ensuing session of the Alabama Conference. Piety, humility, and usefulness adorned his ministerial life, and endeared him to the people wherever he went. His influence was not confined to the pulpit, but at the fireside and in the social circle his piety shone forth with peculiar luster. His record is in all the circuits and missions where he has labored, and many servants and masters gone before have welcomed him to that rest to which he first pointed them. He was eminently qualified for the work of our colored missions, and labored for many years with fidelity and success on such fields of ministerial toil, both in Mobile and on plantations. No man labored more for the prosperity of Zion, or rejoiced more in her success than he. In the altar with those who sought Jesus he was perfectly at home. In 1862, he received a commission as chaplain in the army, and entered with much earnestness into his new field of usefulness. He spent some months in the army, when enfeebled health induced him to resign, and accept the appointment of hospital chaplain. For this, his sympathy and kindness, combined with his earnest piety, eminently fitted him, and for some months during the summer of 1862, he visited the hospitals along the Mobile and Ohio Railroad from Okalona to Quitman, preaching and exhorting, and comforting the sick and wounded soldiers, and distributed among them many books and tracts, which preached on when he was far away. By these and many other good works "he being dead yet speaketh." Last December he repaired to the seat of our Annual Conference at Auburn to mingle with the brethren he so much loved, in their annual reunion, where he was appointed Presiding Elder of the Gadsden District. Soon after the close of Conference he left for his work, not well, but by no means seriously sick. He reached Montgomery and then took the cars for Mobile, and died suddenly on the train that day. Swifter than the tread of the iron-horse, the angels bore his spirit home to God, while his mortal remains were borne to the home of his heart-broken wife and orphan boy for burial.

FREDERICK G. FERGUSON was born in Spartanburg District, S. C., April 4, 1809; converted at Mountain Spring Camp-ground, in Lawrence county, Ala., July 28, 1828. He was licensed to exhort Jan. 8, 1829, and in the fall of the same year was licensed to preach, and recommended to the Tennessee Annual Conference held at Huntsville, where he was admitted on trial and appointed to the Lawrence Circuit. He filled various appointments in that Conference, one of which was among the Cherokee Indians, with acceptability and usefulness to the Church. He was transferred to the Alabama Conference, and after several years spent as Principal of the Macon Female Institute, he entered upon the regular work of the itinerancy, traveling extensively, and laboring with great



zeal and fidelity. His last appointment was the Montgomery District, which he filled with his usual diligence and earnestness, caring for and watching over the interests of the Church. The cause of God lay near his heart; the wants of the poor called forth his active efforts for their relief, and the claims of his country always met a ready and cheerful response. His piety and his patriotism were indissolubly connected, and for both Church and country he was always ready to give his labor, to pray, to suffer, and to die. Returning from a quarterly-meeting on the 31st of August last, he was taken violently ill with congestion, and after suffering greatly for four days he slept in Jesus, and went home to heaven. When told that he must die, and asked how he felt, he replied instantly, "Sweet peace!" "Blessed Jesus!" "O sing to me of heaven, when I am called to die!" His entire illness was a continued triumph, and though toward the close his mind wandered, it was still on his work. He called sinners to come to Christ, he went through the invitation to the Lord's table, or repeated some lines of the sweet songs, wherewith he had so often cheered and enlivened the people he served. He honored God in his life, and was honored of him in his dying hour.

JAMES W. HOLSTON had been a member of the Alabama Conference for many years, several of which were in appointments in the vicinity of Summerfield. He afterward removed to the coast, and served several charges in the Mobile District, with acceptability and usefulness. For several years he sustained a superannuated relation to the Conference. Some time in June last he told a friend that he would not last long, and that he was making his arrangements to depart and be with Christ. He was taken suddenly ill with apoplexy Aug. 19, 1863, and died in a few hours. He told his family the day previous that he was ready to go at any time.

EZEKIEL T. NABORS died Aug. 21, 1863, at the house of Robert Bowling, near St. Stephen's, Ala., aged about thirty-two years. He was born in or near Montevallo, and received his education at Summerfield, where he learned something higher—the way to the feet of Jesus. About ten years since he was admitted on trial in the Alabama Conference, and was subsequently appointed to the Perryville Circuit, where he labored with great zeal and success, and made many friends. He was also stationed at Hamburg, but his health failing, he removed to the coast near Pascagoula, where he spent several years in a superannuated relation. Here he lost his excellent wife, whom he had married at Summerfield a few years previously. In 1860, his health improving, he was appointed to Fish River Mission, in the Mobile District, where he moved among the people, white and colored, like an angel of light, infusing his own genial and earnest spirit into all around him. Many in that charge will rise up in the final day and call him blessed. At the last Conference he was appointed to the St. Stephen's Circuit. He went

to that work, filled every appointment, and in August, 1863, feeling a premonition of his approaching end, "set his house in order," and at his post sweetly fell asleep in Jesus.

JEFFERSON BOND was born in New Hanover county, N. C., April 8, 1801; converted and joined the M. E. Church in Tallahassee, Florida, in 1828; was licensed to exhort in 1831, and to preach in 1833; admitted on trial in the Alabama Conference in the city of Montgomery, December, 1838. From that time until his health failed he labored faithfully on hard circuits and missions, in different parts of the Conference, from the seaboard to the mountains. He was never married, and had no settled home. Of limited educational advantages, yet by diligent reading and study he acquired considerable information. His preaching powers were not brilliant, but useful and instructive—a man of great humility, modesty, meekness, purity, fidelity. For several years of the latter part of his life, he was superannuated. Wherever he went he found a welcome. Shortly after the last session of Conference, held in Auburn in December last, at the house of a kind friend, he fell asleep in Jesus. His life was holy and his end was peace.

Ques. 15. 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. 16. What is the number of preachers and members in the several circuits, stations, and missions of the Conference?

#### Mobile District.

	White Mem's.	White Prob's.	Col'd Mem's.	Col'd Prob's.	Loc'l Pr's.
Mobile:					
Franklin Street.....	253	38	.....	.....	3
State Street Col'd Mis.....	.....	.....	920	480	.....
St. Francis Street.....	165	12	.....	.....	.....
Zion Col'd Mission.....	.....	.....	327	195	.....
St. Paul's.....	100	40	.....	.....	3
Whistler.....	121	19	42	6	.....
Pascagoula.....	234	30	20	10	3
Ocean Springs.....	163	53	7	40	.....
Citronelle.....	118	40	21	41	1
Clarke.....	452	80	100	50	16
Clarke Col'd Mission.....	.....	.....	200	50	.....
St. Stephen's.....	78	80	108	148	.....
Washington Mission.....	40	200	2	250	.....
Mt. Pleasant (no rep.).....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
	1724	592	1747	1270	26

#### Demopolis District.

Demopolis.....	59	1	85	1	.....
Arcola Mission.....	.....	.....	250	16	.....
Dayton & Col'd Miss.....	60	4	163	65	.....
Uniontown.....	67	.....	117	38	.....
Orrville.....	202	31	116	32	.....
McKinley and Beth.....	86	7	214	76	.....
Rembert Hills.....	265	30	500	100	2
Bladen Circuit & Miss..	238	72	41	37	2
Gaston.....	320	21	200	38	4
Butler.....	313	14	164	70	3
Spring Hill.....	134	8	144	46	1
	1749	188	1994	519	12

*Macon District.*

	White Mem's.	White Prob's.	Col'd Mem's.	Col'd Prob's.	Loc'l Pr's.
Macon.....	124	21	180	12	1
DeKalb.....	456	69	110	47	.....
Marion.....	200	.....	.....	.....	5
Meridian.....	145	.....	52	6	2
Livingston.....	90	1	85	15	2
Gainesville and Sum- terville.....	60	1	65	7	.....
Belmont.....	136	23	74	8	1
Belmont Col'd Mission (no report).....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Summerville.....	368	15	.....	.....	.....
Enterprise.....	125	.....	123	88	.....
Cooksville.....	107	23	5	46	.....
Cooksville Col'd Miss..	.....	.....	105	5	.....
	1811	153	799	234	11

*Columbus District.*

	White Mem's.	White Prob's.	Col'd Mem's.	Col'd Prob's.	Loc'l Pr's.
Columbus.....	332	44	.....	.....	2
Columbus Col'd Miss..	.....	.....	419	14	.....
Plymouth.....	.....	.....	202	50	.....
Columbus Circuit.....	339	49	87	70	5
Fayette.....	268	40	60	25	1
Crawfordville.....	140	46	133	104	2
Artesia Col'd Mission..	.....	.....	124	38	.....
Brooksville.....	273	.....	310	.....	.....
Jim Creek Col'd Miss..	.....	.....	189	67	.....
Plum Creek Col'd Miss.	.....	.....	226	114	.....
Pickens Circuit.....	458	107	154	82	7
Greene.....	263	32	64	48	4
Caledonia.....	580	91	104	.....	4
Athens.....	406	123	200	69	.....
	3059	532	2242	671	25

*Tuskaloosa District.*

	White Mem's.	White Prob's.	Col'd Mem's.	Col'd Prob's.	Loc'l Pr's.
Tuskaloosa.....	155	66	311	138	1
Northport.....	76	22	41	25	2
Scottsville & Big Sandy	200	73	60	80	2
Havana.....	164	26	178	120	.....
Eutaw Colored Mission	.....	.....	70	2	.....
Forkland.....	79	18	195	3	.....
Eutaw.....	110	28	10	10	.....
Bolegee (no report)....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Greensboro.....	193	27	291	90	3
Greensboro Col'd Miss.	.....	.....	142	.....	.....
Prairie Creek Colored Mission.....	.....	.....	420	40	.....
German Creek Colored Mission.....	.....	.....	255	2	.....
Newbern.....	20	.....	47	21	.....
Oak Grove.....	14	.....	220	.....	.....
Newbern Col'd Mission	.....	.....	169	52	.....
Marion and Hamburg..	149	7	247	43	1
Brush Creek.....	500	75	178	5	4
	1660	342	2824	631	13

*Jasper District.*

	White Mem's.	White Prob's.	Col'd Mem's.	Col'd Prob's.	Loc'l Pr's.
Bexar.....	709	118	30	6	14
Moscow.....	559	133	.....	.....	7
Pikeville.....	400	45	1	.....	3
Jasper.....	390	95	19	.....	10
Dorse Creek Mission...	325	35	20	2	.....
Blountsville.....	319	30	.....	4	6
Murphree's Valley.....	757	151	14	6	10
New Lexington.....	318	77	75	25	5
Jonesboro.....	327	109	.....	.....	4
Elyton.....	595	222	.....	.....	10
	4699	1015	159	43	69

*Gadsden District.*

	White Mem's.	White Prob's.	Col'd Mem's.	Col'd Prob's.	Loc'l Pr's.
Jacksonville.....	229	53	50	24	.....
Cross Plains Mission...	224	15	.....	.....	5
Centre.....	396	44	32	1	8
Gadsden.....	354	18	44	2	5
Cedar Bluff.....	332	15	11	5	5
Lebanon.....	402	53	.....	.....	7

*Gadsden District, (continued.)*

	White Mem's.	White Prob's.	Col'd Mem's.	Col'd Prob's.	Loc'l Pr's.
Coosa Mission.....	250	77	.....	.....	.....
Ashville.....	305	77	36	18	7
Harpersville.....	308	60	42	13	4
Oak Mountain.....	206	12	4	2	.....
Mount High.....	624	45	6	.....	16
	3629	469	225	65	57

*Talladega District.*

	White Mem's.	White Prob's.	Col'd Mem's.	Col'd Prob's.	Loc'l Pr's.
Talladega.....	186	.....	101	9	.....
Talladega Circuit.....	1482	83	.....	.....	.....
Talladega Col'd Miss..	.....	.....	170	.....	.....
Hatchie Creek.....	400	196	102	60	.....
Socapatoy.....	656	115	59	25	9
Pinckneyville.....	702	197	35	30	13
Arbacoochie.....	582	207	35	23	16
Lineville (no report)...	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Roanoke.....	586	123	43	8	9
White Plains.....	552	150	40	16	9
Dadeville.....	193	89	31	30	4
Fayetteville.....	276	38	67	11	1
Blue Mountain Miss..	100	15	.....	.....	.....
	5715	1113	683	212	61

*Summerfield District.*

	White Mem's.	White Prob's.	Col'd Mem's.	Col'd Prob's.	Loc'l Pr's.
Selma and East Selma Mission.....	113	20	228	41	.....
Summerfield.....	191	56	114	21	.....
Cahaba Col'd Mission..	.....	.....	54	13	.....
Perryville.....	273	27	62	.....	.....
Montevallo.....	482	54	123	15	6
Randolph.....	325	4	64	2	.....
Wetumpka.....	75	2	176	8	.....
Autaugaville Circuit...	300	45	70	150	4
Mulberry.....	131	7	.....	.....	.....
Prattville.....	75	5	113	8	.....
Cahaba.....	50	10	300	40	1
	2015	230	1304	298	11

*Montgomery District.*

	White Mem's.	White Prob's.	Col'd Mem's.	Col'd Prob's.	Loc'l Pr's.
Montgomery: Clay Street.....	245	.....	.....	.....	.....
Stone's Chapel and Montgomery Col'd Mission.....	.....	.....	616	229	.....
Mount Meigs.....	53	3	523	84	1
Tallassee.....	259	31	26	21	5
Tuskegee.....	185	11	146	31	3
Tuskegee Circuit.....	363	25	350	22	.....
Loachapoka.....	324	33	236	45	3
Auburn.....	218	2	184	18	2
Oak Bowery.....	310	43	292	116	4
La Fayette.....	435	41	138	42	5
Crawford.....	400	37	116	.....	3
Uchee Col'd Mission...	.....	.....	500	120	.....
Russell Circuit.....	339	54	310	34	2
Opelika.....	100	47	57	15	2
Mt. Jefferson (no rep.)	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
	3231	327	3494	777	30

*Eufaula District.*

	White Mem's.	White Prob's.	Col'd Mem's.	Col'd Prob's.	Loc'l Pr's.
Eufaula.....	150	20	100	20	2
Glennville.....	137	68	72	22	.....
Villula.....	218	30	140	.....	6
Oswichee Col'd Miss..	.....	.....	314	86	.....
Enon.....	404	66	457	127	7
Barbour Col'd Mission.	.....	.....	104	62	.....
Union Springs.....	84	1	53	8	1
Union Springs Colored Mission.....	.....	.....	380	25	.....
Clayton and Louisville	97	65	57	58	.....
Clayton Circuit.....	315	45	82	46	.....
Lawrenceville.....	299	32	31	10	8
Chunnenuggee.....	397	35	70	.....	7
	2101	362	1860	464	31

Lowndesboro District.

	White Mem's.	White Prob's.	Col'd Mem's.	Col'd Prob's.	Loc'l Pr'a.
Lowndesboro & Hayneville.....	84	14	303	45	.....
Big Swamp Col'd Miss.	.....	.....	307	19	.....
Ledohatchie.....	.....	.....	106	44	.....
Pleasant Hill.....	62	26	230	55	.....
Farmersville.....	127	28	114	106	.....
Argus.....	392	106	104	42	.....
Union.....	404	88	300	30	2
Greenville Mission.....	424	65	92	60	4
Sepulga.....	450	148	127	79	10
Brundige (no rep.).....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Troy and Orion.....	194	12	128	16	2
Pleasant Hill Colored Mission.....	.....	.....	239	73	.....
	2137	487	2050	569	18

Camden District.

	White Mem's.	White Prob's.	Col'd Mem's.	Col'd Prob's.	Loc'l Pr'a.
Camden.....	76	9	115	52	1
Oak Hill.....	116	16	165	81	4
Snow Hill.....	171	44	242	183	4
Black's Bend.....	124	.....	218	.....	1
Choctaw Corner.....	187	57	103	59	3
Lower Peach-tree.....	220	5	125	65	.....
Grove Hill.....	247	42	45	7	2
Salt-works Mission (no report).....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Suggsville.....	106	.....	64	25	2
Monroeville.....	317	91	209	47	2
Evergreen.....	303	32	17	4	.....
Pensacola (no report).....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Escambia (no report).....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
	1867	296	1303	503	19

Marianna District.

	White Mem's.	White Prob's.	Col'd Mem's.	Col'd Prob's.	Loc'l Pr'a.
Marianna.....	86	42	101	69	.....
Greenwood.....	168	29	104	.....	2
Calhoun Mission.....	125	90	60	.....	3
Hamilton.....	251	45	250	75	7
Woodville.....	262	104	37	14	7
Haw Ridge.....	942	308	65	50	10
Geneva.....	505	180	140	50	7
Elba.....	635	187	90	25	8
Yellow River Miss. (no report).....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Cerro Gordo.....	112	127	4	8	4
Milton (no report).....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
	3086	1112	851	291	48

Recapitulation.

	White Mem's.	White Prob's.	Col'd Mem's.	Col'd Prob's.	Loc'l Pr'a.
Mobile District.....	1724	592	1747	1270	26
Demopolis ".....	1749	188	1994	519	12
Macon ".....	1811	153	799	234	11
Columbus ".....	3059	532	2242	671	25
Tuskaloosa ".....	1660	342	2824	631	13
Jasper ".....	4699	1015	159	43	69
Gadsden ".....	3629	469	225	65	57
Talladega ".....	5715	1113	683	212	61
Summerfield ".....	2015	230	1304	298	11
Montgomery ".....	3231	327	3494	777	30
Eufaula ".....	2101	362	1860	464	31
Lowndesboro ".....	2137	487	2050	569	18
Camden ".....	1867	296	1303	503	19
Marianna ".....	3086	1112	851	291	48
Total this year.....	38,483	7218	21,535	6547	431
Total last year.....	38,203	5884	19,591	5016	491
Increase.....	280	1334	1,944	1531	60
Decrease.....					

ciencies of those who have not obtained their regular allowance in their respective districts, circuits, and stations?

\$11,927.

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

Collected, \$22,455 40

Applied as follows:

C. D. Nicholson,	\$430 00
E. V. Levert,	337 00
S. Briggs,	325 00
Edward McMeans,	500 00
Z. Dowling,	300 00
G. Garrett,	300 00
J. T. Roper,	340 00
H. Y. Young,	129 00
A. Watson,	300 00
Uriah Williams,	198 00
B. F. Blow,	95 00
S. F. Pilley,	460 00
J. G. Mason,	300 00
Jesse Ellis,	300 00
J. P. McGehee,	380 00
E. Nicholson,	209 00
William Rhodes,	300 00
Thomas Lynch,	300 00
C. W. Smith,	179 00
John A. Spence,	300 00
W. D. Matthews,	300 00
J. G. Gurley,	170 00
William P. Miller,	535 00
J. C. A. Bridges,	280 00
W. E. Mitchell,	100 00
R. J. Sampler,	300 00
John W. Starr,	300 00
J. N. Glover,	175 00
John W. Laney,	390 00
Mrs. McDonald,	150 00
Mrs. Belton,	200 00
Mrs. Kennon,	150 00
Mrs. Bailey,	150 00
Mrs. Hill,	150 00
Mrs. Pierson,	150 00
Mrs. Dickinson,	320 00
Mrs. Koger,	280 00
Mrs. Foust,	150 00
Mrs. Golson,	370 00
Mrs. Pollard,	150 00
Mrs. Abernethy,	255 00
Mrs. Holston,	150 00
Mrs. McBryde,	190 00
Mrs. Hughes,	150 00
Mrs. Wier,	150 00
Mrs. Scales,	150 00
Child of Wells,	40 00
Child of Rounsaval,	40 00
Child of Powell,	40 00
Paid Bishop Andrew,	3149 13
Paid Bishop Paine,	1000 00
Reserved for printing, etc.,	1000 00
Balance on hand,	4897 57

\$21,973 70

Ques. 17. What amounts are necessary for the superannuated preachers, and the widows and orphans of preachers, and to make up the defi-

The Conference, on motion, resolved to make a pro rata division of the balance on hand among the above claimants, which was done accordingly.

Ques. 19. What has been contributed for the Missionary, Sunday-school, and Tract Societies?  
 For Missions, \$46,965 75  
 For Sunday-schools, 1,388 00  
 For Tracts, 11,423 00

Ques. 20. Where and when shall the next session of the Conference be held?

The Western Division, known as the "Mobile Conference," according to the plan of division, will meet in the city of Mobile, and the Eastern Division, known as the "Montgomery Conference," in said plan, will meet in Tuskegee, Ala.

Ques. 21. Where are the preachers stationed this year?

#### MOBILE DISTRICT.

*P. E., to be supplied.*

Mobile:

{ Franklin Street, Jefferson Hamilton.  
 { State Street Col'd Mission, T. W. Dorman.  
 { St. Francis Street, Robert K. Hargrove.  
 { Zion Colored Mission, Silas H. Cox.  
 St. Paul's, J. W. Glenn.

Toulminville Col'd Mission, to be supplied.

Citronelle, Ulysses B. Phillips.

{ St. Stephen's, C. W. Calhoun.

{ Washington Mission, to be supplied.

Mount Pleasant, to be supplied.

Clarke, to be supplied.

Clarke Colored Mission, Josh. T. Heard.

Pascagoula, B. G. Fleming.

Ocean Springs, John W. Sampey.

J. J. Grace, Chaplain in the army.

#### DEMOPOLIS DISTRICT.

*W. I. Powers, P. E.*

Demopolis and Colored Mission, Wm. C. Hearn.

Dayton and Col'd Mission, Robt. S. Woodward.

Uniontown, Thomas S. Abernethy, Jr.

Orrville, Evan Nicholson.

Orrville Colored Mission, D. Carmichael.

McKinley and Bethlehem, John C. Huckabee.

Rembert Hills, J. M. Boland.

Bladen, O. P. Thomas.

Gaston, Gabriel Hawkins.

Butler, John F. Evans.

Spring Hill, Hardie C. Brown.

#### MACON DISTRICT.

*Junius E. Newman, P. E.*

Macon, John W. Harmon.

DeKalb, A. J. Coleman.

Marion and Meridian, to be supplied.

Livingston, Elisha Phillips.

Gainesville and Scooba, William Spillman.

Belmont, George F. Ellis.

Summerville, Samuel M. Adams.

Enterprise, Josiah Bancroft.

Cooksville, John F. Marshall.

Cooksville Colored Mission, T. N. Shelton.

Buckatunie Mission, N. F. Mitchell.

Thomas C. Wier and A. M. Jones, Chaplains in the army.

#### COLUMBUS DISTRICT.

*George Shaeffer, P. E.*

Columbus, Allen S. Andrews.

Columbus Colored Mission, Henry Urquhart.  
 Columbus Circuit, James A. Peebles.  
 Pickensville and Carrollton, William Murrah.  
 Pickens, J. F. Randall.  
 Bridgeville, J. M. Gann.  
 Greene, to be supplied.

{ Brooksville, Thomas P. Crymes.  
 { Plum Creek Colored Mission, E. Callaway.  
 { Jim Creek Colored Mission, to be supplied.  
 { Brooksville Colored Mission, to be supplied.  
 { Crawfordville, William E. Mabry.  
 { Artesia Colored Mission, to be supplied.  
 { Plymouth Colored Mission, J. W. F. Toland.  
 { Nashville Colored Mission, to be supplied.  
 { Caledonia, J. B. Baldwin.  
 { Caledonia Colored Mission, William Vaughn.  
 Athens, J. W. Peavy.

P. P. Neely, Superintendent of Colored Missions.

J. B. Stone and William Leith, Chaplains in the army.

J. T. M. Gregory and William B. Owings, in the army.

#### TUSKALOOSA DISTRICT.

*C. C. Callaway, P. E.*

{ Tuskaloosa, Thos. O. Summers, Book Editor.

{ Northport, to be supplied.

{ Scottsville and Big Sandy, Thos. P. Roberts.

{ Liberty Mission, to be supplied.

Brush Creek, E. V. Levert.

Havana, W. H. Armstrong.

{ Eutaw, Abram Adams.

{ Eutaw Colored Mission, J. M. Patton.

Marion and Hamburg, Walter C. Harris.

Forkland, J. D. Cameron.

Oak Grove, to be supplied.

{ Newbern, F. M. Grace, one to be supplied.

{ Walker Prairie Col'd Mission, J. W. McCann.

Greensboro and Colored Mission, Thomas Y.

Ramsey, one to be supplied.

Prairie Creek Colored Mission, B. D. Gayle, one to be supplied.

Tuskaloosa Female College, R. M. Saunders, President.

Southern University, Wm. M. Wightman, Chancellor; E. Wadsworth, Professor.

W. G. Johnson and C. C. Ellis, Chaplains in the army.

J. J. Hutchinson, Missionary to the army.

#### JASPER DISTRICT.

*J. B. Powers, P. E.*

Bexar, Ulysses L. Thompson.

{ Moscow, J. G. Gurley.

{ Pikeville Mission, W. E. Mitchell.

Jasper, A. A. Hood.

{ Blountsville, W. H. Riley.

{ Blount Springs Mission, A. Watson.

Murphree's Valley, D. A. Hendrix.

{ Elyton, John E. Foust.

{ Elyton Iron-works, Thomas F. Greene.

Jones Valley, Samuel Thames.

New Lexington, J. M. Brown.

{ Fayette, J. N. Glover.

{ Fayette Colored Mission, to be supplied.

## GADSDEN DISTRICT.

*Theophilus Moody, P. E.*

Gadsden, J. A. Neely.  
 Centre, Cicero L. Dobbs.  
 Oak Mountain Mission, H. L. Young.  
 Harpersville, E. S. Smith.  
 Lebanon, R. Nicholson.  
 Ashville, P. K. Brindley.  
 Jacksonville, George W. Brown.  
 Coosa River, William K. Towles.  
 W. G. Perry, Chaplain in the army.  
 F. T. J. Brandon, Missionary to the army.

## TALLADEGA DISTRICT.

*Daniel Duncan, P. E.*

Talladega, R. B. Crawford.  
 { Talladega Circuit, J. G. Walker.  
 { Talladega Colored Mission, to be supplied.  
 White Plains, J. C. A. Bridges.  
 Arbacoochee, R. A. Timmons.  
 Lineville, J. P. McGee.  
 Blue Mountain Mission, J. N. Dupree.  
 Roanoke, C. W. Smith.  
 Pinckneyville, J. N. Talley.  
 Camp Hill, C. S. D. Lassiter.  
 Dadeville, Moses E. Butt.  
 Socapatoy, L. R. Bell.  
 Hatchet Creek, to be supplied.  
 Fayetteville, to be supplied.  
 B. L. Selman, in the army.

## SUMMERFIELD DISTRICT.

*A. H. Mitchell, P. E.*

{ Summerfield, R. H. Rivers, John S. Moore.  
 { Cahaba River Colored Mission, C. Strider.  
 Selma, E. Baldwin.  
 East Selma Mission and Selma Colored Mission,  
 William A. Montgomery.  
 Cahaba, J. Barker, H. A. M. Henderson.  
 Perryville, R. D. Carver, W. H. McDaniel, Sup.  
 Montevallo, A. M. Fikes.  
 Montevallo Circuit, George J. Mason.  
 Autaugaville, A. J. Briggs.  
 Kingston, to be supplied.  
 Randolph, N. B. Cooper.  
 Wetumpka, Theophilus F. Manghum.  
 Prattville, J. D. Fisher.  
 Centenary Institute, R. H. Rivers, President;  
 Male Department, John S. Moore, Principal.  
 George R. Talley, Chaplain Sixth Alabama  
 Regiment.  
 D. C. B. Connerly, Chaplain in the army.  
 E. J. Hamill, Missionary to C. S. Army,  
 Breckinridge's Corps.  
 James L. Cotten, left without appointment at  
 his request.

## MONTGOMERY DISTRICT.

*C. D. Oliver, P. E.*

{ Montgomery, H. N. McTyiere.  
 { Colored Mission and Stone's Chapel, J. W.  
 Jordan.  
 { Herron Street Chapel, to be supplied.

Mount Meigs, I. I. Tatum.  
 Tallassee, C. N. McLeod.  
 Tuskegee, Bennett B. Ross.  
 Tuskegee Circuit, L. F. Dowdell.  
 Loachapoka, J. A. Pace.  
 Auburn, M. S. Andrews.  
 Oak Bowery, John Matthews.  
 La Fayette, Thomas L. Densler.  
 { Crawford, J. H. Lockhart.  
 { Uchee Col'd Mission, Francis S. Wardlaw.  
 Russell, William B. Neal.  
 Opelika, John E. Treadwell.  
 Mount Jefferson Col'd Mission, T. H. Whitby.  
 East Alabama Male College, W. J. Sasnett,  
 President.  
 Tuskegee Female College, Jesse Wood.  
 O. R. Blue, Superintendent Colored Missions.

## EUFAULA DISTRICT.

*William H. Ellison, P. E.*

Eufaula, Joseph B. Cottrell.  
 Glennville, William A. McCarty.  
 { Villula, W. B. Dennis.  
 { Osweechee Col'd Mission, M. C. Turrentine.  
 { Enon, J. W. Solomon.  
 { Barbour Colored Mission, to be supplied.  
 Union Springs, to be supplied.  
 Union Springs Colored Mission, O. B. Stanley.  
 Clayton and Louisville, W. H. Wild.  
 Clayton Circuit, W. C. Robinson, A. S. Dickin-  
 son, Sup.  
 Chunnenugee, to be supplied.  
 Perote, J. F. Dickinson.  
 Thos. J. Rutledge, Chaplain Third Alabama,  
 C. S. Army.

## LOWNDESBORO DISTRICT.

*James W. Shores, P. E.*

{ Lowndesboro and Hayneville, Wm. Shapard,  
 { J. M. Jennings, Sup.  
 { Big Swamp Colored Mission, B. F. Blow.  
 { Hayneville Colored Mission, J. J. Latham.  
 { Ledohatchee Colored Mission, Asa Skinner.  
 Pleasant Hill, J. K. Tansey.  
 Pleasant Hill Colored Mission, P. R. McCrary.  
 Farmersville, John A. Spence.  
 Ramer, James L. Sampey.  
 Union, D. M. Hudson, S. A. Pilley.  
 Greenville, Hilliard J. Hunter.  
 Sepulga, William A. Sampey.  
 South Butler, Wm. H. Morris.  
 Troy and Orion, Angus Dowling.  
 Elba, J. A. Parker.  
 Brundige, J. P. Dickinson.  
 Neil Gillis, Chaplain in the army.

## CAMDEN DISTRICT.

*William M. Motley, P. E.*

Camden, Anson West.  
 Oak Hill, D. S. McDonald.  
 Snow Hill, W. H. Carter.  
 Black's Bend, L. M. Wilson.  
 Choctaw Corner, William R. Kirk.  
 Lower Peach-tree, George Watson.

{ Groves Hill, H. H. Kavanaugh, Jr.  
 { Salt-works Mission, J. H. Ewing.  
 Suggsville, John W. Rush.  
 Monroeville, Francis Walker.  
 Evergreen, Jordan A. Wethers.  
 Escambia Mission, to be supplied.

## MARIANNA DISTRICT.

*B. S. Williams, P. E.*

Marianna, E. B. Norton.  
 Greenwood, Wm. R. Talley.  
 Calhoun Mission, to be supplied.

{ Campbellton, S. H. Cooper.  
 { Jackson Colored Mission, Wm. B. Adams.  
 Woodville, to be supplied.  
 Haw Ridge, E. L. Loveless.  
 Sylvan Gfove, E. T. Hamner.  
 Geneva, J. L. Skipper.  
 { Big Creek, to be supplied.  
 { Yellow River Mission, to be supplied.  
 Cerro Gordo, to be supplied.  
 { Lawrenceville, William K. Norton.  
 { Lawrenceville Colored Mission, J. J. Cassidy.  
 Milton, to be supplied.  
 William B. Edwards, Missionary to the army.

## 17.—FLORIDA CONFERENCE.

HELD AT THOMASVILLE, GA., December 16-19, 1863.

JAMES O. ANDREW, *President*; FRANKLIN A. BRANCH, *Secretary*.

QUESTION 1. Who are admitted on trial?  
 ANSWER. Alfred Holcombe, David L. Bran-  
 ning, W. A. McLean, A. T. Holleymon. 4.  
 Ques. 2. Who remain on trial?  
 George B. Swann, Josiah Bullock, George R.  
 Frisbee, Oscar A. Myers. 4.  
 Ques. 3. Who are admitted into full connec-  
 tion?  
 William F. Easterling. 1.  
 Ques. 4. Who are readmitted?  
 Matthew H. Fielding, Stephen S. Sweet, C.  
 Raiford. 3.  
 Ques. 5. Who are received by transfer from  
 other Conferences?  
 A. Graham, J. B. Jackson, J. G. Acton. 3.  
 Ques. 6. Who are the deacons of one year?  
 John F. Urquhart, William C. Jourdan, R.  
 F. Evans. 3.  
 Ques. 7. What traveling preachers are elected  
 and ordained deacons?  
 William F. Easterling. 1.  
 Ques. 8. What local preachers are elected and  
 ordained deacons?  
 R. P. Green, James M. Stafford, J. C. John-  
 son, William Taylor, Henry Thompson, John  
 M. Potter,\* Irwin R. Boothe,\* L. J. A. Brown,\*  
 Joseph T. Webb,\* A. J. Bessent.\* 10.

Ques. 9. What traveling preachers are elected  
 and ordained elders?  
 Sterling Gardner, William F. Roberts, Robert  
 W. Flournoy, Andrew R. Byrd, James D. Maul-  
 din. 5.  
 Ques. 10. What local preachers are elected  
 and ordained elders?  
 John B. Elliott, John Pigot. 2.  
 Ques. 11. Who have located this year?  
 None.  
 Ques. 12. Who are supernumerary?  
 George W. Fagg, Willis P. O'Kane. 2.  
 Ques. 13. Who are superannuated?  
 Edwin L. T. Blake, John Penny, Mahlon  
 Bedell, Thomas Taylor, Thomas C. Coleman, W.  
 E. Collier, James M. N. Low, Joshua Carraway,  
 David L. Kennedy, Osborne L. Smith, David  
 Roberts, Amos Davis, Reuben H. Luckey, W.  
 W. Griffin. 14.  
 Ques. 14. What preachers have died during  
 the past year?  
 Peyton P. Smith, John J. Richards, Joseph A.  
 W. Johnson. 3.

PEYTON PIERCE SMITH was born Jan. 12, 1812,  
 in Franklin county, Ga., and dedicated to God  
 in baptism by the Rev. Lovick Pierce. He was  
 religiously trained from his childhood; joined  
 the Methodist Episcopal Church, Sept., 1826, and  
 professed religion about a month afterward; was  
 licensed to preach by Gwinnett Circuit Quar-

\*By certificate.

terly Conference, Nov. 12, 1831, and recommended to the Georgia Annual Conference. At the next session of this Conference he was admitted into the traveling connection, and, with all the ardor of the youthful itinerant, started to his great work, provided with a horse and saddle, a five-dollar watch, and five dollars in money—all his earthly possessions. During a ministry of thirty years, characterized by zeal and ardor in the building up of the Redeemer's kingdom, he filled every station, from the humble missionary to that of delegate to the General Conference, to which office he was four times consecutively appointed. In 1863, he was returned to Madison District, and entered upon his work with his accustomed zeal, laboring faithfully until the first Sunday in May, at which time he held his second quarterly-meeting at Lake City—preached twice on Saturday and three times on Sunday, with much fervor and solemnity, all of these sermons being connected with the subject of death and the future state. This was the last work he performed on his District. The next week he visited Fulton county, Ga., for the purpose of being present at the preaching of his father's funeral-sermon, delivered by the Rev. W. J. Parks. After the exercises were over he gave notice that he would preach at night, and also preach a funeral-sermon the next Sabbath. He preached at night, according to appointment, and remained in good health until the following Thursday, when he was very suddenly attacked with congestion of the entire system, and died in about twenty-four hours, without saying a word, as he was speechless very soon after the attack came on him. On the following Sabbath the Rev. James B. Payne, of the Georgia Conference, preached his funeral-sermon at the same time and place he was to have preached himself. Thus closed the life of this good man, who was in "labors more abundant," as appears from the following summary, taken from his Journal. He was a traveling preacher for thirty years and four months, and during that time preached 4,414 sermons, baptized 1,529 persons, made 5,979 visits, wrote 4,941 letters, and traveled, chiefly by private conveyance, 103,623 miles. Brother Smith was one of the oldest and most efficient members of this Conference, and, as a minister of the gospel, eminently successful—always gladly received and welcomed by the people to whom he was sent. Many of those who have gone up to their reward will hail him in the great day, as being the humble instrument, in the hands of God, of their salvation. As a husband and father, he was kind and affectionate, and the wounded hearts of his wife and six children will be long in recovering from the poignant sorrow occasioned by his unexpected death. He was permitted to preach his last sermon at the same place where, many years before, he was happily converted to God, and his earthly remains were buried by the side of loved ones who then lived and worshiped with him.

JOHN J. RICHARDS was born July 16, 1816, joined the Methodist Episcopal Church in his

thirteenth year, and a short time afterward embraced religion. For several years he filled the offices of class-leader, Sunday-school teacher, and exhorter; and in 1837, when about twenty-one years old, he was licensed to preach. He was admitted on trial in the Georgia Annual Conference in 1839, in which connection he remained until 1844, when he was transferred to the Florida Conference. In this field he labored until 1860, when, his health having failed, he was superannuated, which relation he sustained until the time of his death. The disease, from the effects of which he suffered most intensely for three years, and which finally terminated his life, was cancer. Commencing in his face, and extending down through his throat and breast, it seemed at last to permeate his whole system. He died Sept. 4, 1863, at his home in Madison county, Fla., leaving a widow and five children. Brother Richards was a holy man, and entirely devoted his time and talents to the service of God and the Church. As a preacher, he was sound and practical, and, though not possessed of the most brilliant talents, was a successful minister of the gospel. During his protracted illness his faith was strong and unwavering, and when at last the messenger of death came to release him from his earthly sufferings, he was enabled to meet him as a conqueror—died triumphantly, and has gone home to wear the conqueror's crown.

JOSEPH A. W. JOHNSON was happily converted to God in July, 1847, at the old Mosquito Church, in Gadsden county, Fla., and united with the Methodist Episcopal Church at the same time. From this date he lived a very consistent and devotedly pious life. He was admitted on trial in the Florida Annual Conference, Jan. 2, 1856, where he labored until 1862, when his health failed, and he was granted a superannuated relation, which he sustained until about July, 1863, when he was called from his labors upon earth to the reward promised the finally faithful in heaven. His disease was consumption, and for many months he was compelled to linger and suffer, but his sufferings were all borne in the true spirit of Christian resignation. His death was very triumphant. A short time before he died the Lord's-supper was administered to him, and he received the emblems of the broken body and shed blood of our blessed Lord and Saviour with the most exultant joy. Brother Johnson was a young man of deep and unaffected piety, and, as a minister of the gospel, very successful and useful.

Ques. 15. 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 Robert W. Carson, who was expelled from the ministry and Church, and Isaac Munden, whose case was returned to the Wakulla Circuit for investigation.

Ques. 16. What is the number of preachers and members in the several circuits, stations, and missions of the Conference?

Tallahassee District.

	White Mem's.	White Prob's.	Col'd Mem's.	Col'd Prob's.	Loc'l Pr's.
Tallahassee Station.....	133	46	325	45	2
Quincy.....	120	14	340	107	.....
Bainbridge.....	187	8	200	15	2
Leon Circuit.....	450	83	.....	.....	5
Leon Colored Mission..	.....	.....	220	113	.....
Gadsden Circuit.....	175	8	54	12	2
Wakulla.....	161	76	71	43	3
Decatur.....	282	43	175	.....	3
Trinity.....	122	12	305	76	2
Liberty.....	212	10	90	10	2
Apalachicola Station....	91	80	69	8	2
Colquitt Circuit.....	68	199	.....	68	.....
Blakely.....	93	50	130	65	1
	2094	629	1979	562	24

Thomasville District.

	White Mem's.	White Prob's.	Col'd Mem's.	Col'd Prob's.	Loc'l Pr's.
Thomasville Station.....	143	5	191	31	3
Albany.....	82	.....	53	.....	.....
Newton Circuit.....	74	.....	66	.....	.....
Calhoun.....	80	20	.....	.....	.....
Camilla.....	128	21	38	10	2
Moultrie Mission.....	40	6	.....	.....	1
Grooversville Circuit...	250	20	145	15	1
Quitman.....	240	41	100	40	6
Valdosta.....	184	6	67	69	1
Nashville Mission.....	212	28	15	5	5
Irwin.....	125	3	.....	.....	2
Ocmulgee Circuit.....	127	41	100	77	.....
	1685	191	775	247	21

Madison District.

	White Mem's.	White Prob's.	Col'd Mem's.	Col'd Prob's.	Loc'l Pr's.
Madison Circuit.....	359	.....	584	52	5
Monticello Station.....	84	5	64	7	2
Wakena Circuit.....	141	45	154	42	2
Aucilla Mission.....	92	7	222	42	2
La Fayette and Taylor	182	40	24	5	2
Hamilton Circuit.....	189	11	162	6	4
Newnansville Station...	142	10	97	20	3
Lake City.....	49	4	75	7	1
Houston Circuit.....	199	.....	.....	3	3
Columbia.....	199	3	241	32	2
Suwannee.....	62	.....	3	.....	1
	1698	125	1626	216	27

Jacksonville District.

	White Mem's.	White Prob's.	Col'd Mem's.	Col'd Prob's.	Loc'l Pr's.
Jacksonville Station.....	131	37	126	26	3
Fernandina.....	36	7	60	25	.....
St. John's Circuit.....	96	4	25	.....	.....
Centrevillage.....	211	10	.....	.....	1
Wareboro.....	318	64	42	.....	4
Holmesville.....	282	65	59	22	3
Brunswick.....	174	3	85	13	.....
Duval and Nassau.....	165	9	15	.....	.....
Black Creek.....	215	7	65	11	1
Gainsville & Micanopy..	341	19	200	58	2
Alachua Colored Miss..	.....	.....	69	.....	.....
Clinch.....	43	13	.....	.....	3
	2012	238	746	155	17

Tampa District.

	White Mem's.	White Prob's.	Col'd Mem's.	Col'd Prob's.	Loc'l Pr's.
Key West Station.....	250	150	53	38	1
Hillsboro & Tampa Ct..	149	91	20	25	3
Manatee Mission.....	35	6	.....	.....	2
Peas Creek.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Marion Circuit.....	251	93	200	28	5
Ocala Colored Mission..	.....	.....	105	.....	.....
Sumter Circuit.....	151	36	25	13	2
Hernando Mission.....	119	84	24	37	2
Levy.....	71	3	24	25	.....
Crystal River.....	123	14	80	10	1
Orange.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Volusia and Smyrna....	74	.....	56	.....	2
	1223	477	587	176	18

Recapitulation.

	White Mem's.	White Prob's.	Col'd Mem's.	Col'd Prob's.	Loc'l Pr's.
Tallahassee District.....	2094	629	1979	562	24
Thomasville ".....	1685	191	775	247	21
Madison ".....	1698	125	1626	216	27
Jacksonville ".....	2012	238	746	155	17
Tampa ".....	1223	477	587	176	18
Total this year.....	8712	1660	5713	1356	107
Total last year.....	8862	1867	6611	1445	134
Decrease.....	150	207	898	89	27

Ques. 17. What amounts are necessary for the superannuated preachers, and the widows and orphans of preachers, and to make up the deficiencies of those who have not obtained their regular allowance in their respective districts, circuits, and stations?

\$3,080, (on a gold basis.)

Ques. 18. What has been collected on the foregoing accounts, and how has it been applied? Collected, (C. S. money,) \$6,100 15

Applied as follows:

Paid superannuated preachers, widows, and orphans, 5,147 60  
Paid Bishops' claim, 952 55

Ques. 19. What has been contributed for the Missionary, Sunday-school, and Tract Societies? For Sunday-schools, \$393 00  
For Tract Society, 85 00

Ques. 20. Where and when shall the next session of the Conference be held? At Monticello, Fla.

Ques. 21. Where are the preachers stationed this year?

TALLAHASSEE DISTRICT.

Samuel Woodbury, P. E.

Tallahassee Station, Franklin A. Branch.  
Quincy, Josephus Anderson.  
Monticello, James O. Branch.  
Liberty Circuit, John L. Williams.  
Gadsden, John W. Mills.  
Gadsden Colored Mission, George W. Pratt.  
Leon Circuit, Simon P. Richardson, one to be supplied.  
Leon Colored Mission, James W. Jackson.  
Wakulla Circuit, James D. Mauldin.  
Wakena Circuit, Charles P. Murdock.  
Aucilla Colored Mission, R. McK. Tydings.  
Madison Circuit, R. W. Flournoy, G. B. Swann.  
{ Taylor Mission, Alfred T. Holleymon.  
{ La Fayette, John M. Bridges.

LAKE CITY DISTRICT.

John M. Hendry, P. E.

Lake City Station, Alexander Graham.  
Newnansville, Joseph J. Sealey.  
Columbia Circuit, Edward F. Gates.  
Houston, Jesse J. Giles.  
Suwannee Mission, James G. Worley.  
Hamilton Circuit, Matthew H. Fielding.  
Alachua Colored Mission, John C. Ley.  
Gainsville Station, Oscar A. Myers.



Micanopy Circuit, Thomas A. Carrouth.  
 Santa Fe Colored Mission, Enoch H. Giles.  
 Black Creek Circuit, Thomas R. Barnett.  
 Nassau and Duval, David L. Branning.

THOMASVILLE DISTRICT.

*William M. Kennedy, P. E.*

Thomasville Station, James B. Jackson.  
 Bainbridge and Fowlstown, Andrew J. Wool-  
 dridge.

Albany, John F. Urquhart.  
 Grooversville Circuit, Sterling Gardner.  
 Decatur, William F. Easterling.  
 Trinity, to be supplied, (by Thomas H. Capers.)  
 Blakely, Shelton R. Weaver.  
 Colquitt, William H. Thomas.  
 Newton, Francis M. Wilson.  
 Calhoun, to be supplied.  
 Camilla, Archibald Johnson.  
 Moultrie Mission, to be supplied.

QUITMAN DISTRICT.

*Newdegate B. Ousley, P. E.*

Quitman Circuit, Robert H. Howren.  
 Valdosta Mission, William K. Turner.  
 Nashville, Seaborn G. Childs.  
 Lowndes Colored Mission, to be supplied.  
 Irwin, Alfred Holcombe.  
 Ocmulgee Circuit, Frederick R. C. Ellis.

Clinch Mission, William A. McLean.  
 Waresboro Circuit, Isaac Munden.  
 Holmesville, Aaron W. Harris.  
 Doctortown Mission, Andrew R. Byrd.  
 Brunswick Circuit, to be supplied (by B. F.  
 Franklin.  
 Centrevillage, Josiah Bullock.

TAMPA DISTRICT.

*James G. Acton, P. E.*

Hillsboro Circuit, William Williams.  
 Key West Station, Robert I. McCook.  
 Marion Circuit, Leroy B. Giles.  
 Ocala Colored Mission, Henry F. Smith.  
 Sumter Circuit, Stephen W. Carson.  
 Crystal River Mission, Robert W. Burgess.  
 Levy Circuit, William Davis.  
 Hernando Mission, William C. Jourdan.  
 Orange, William F. Roberts.  
 Peas Creek, to be supplied.  
 Volusia and Smyrna, to be supplied.  
 Manatee, to be supplied.

William L. Murphy, Agent for Bainbridge  
 Female College.

Robert L. Wiggins, Robert F. Evans, Chap-  
 lains in C. S. Army.

Erastus B. Duncan, to supply the Army Mis-  
 sion in Florida.

Stephen S. Sweet, transferred to the Georgia  
 Conference.

18.—RIO GRANDE CONFERENCE.

HELD AT SUTHERLAND'S SPRINGS, TEXAS, November 11—, 1863.

R. H. BELVIN, *President*; IVY H. COX, *Secretary*.

QUESTION 1. Who are admitted on trial?

ANSWER. Ferdinand Mumme. 1.

Ques. 2. Who remain on trial?

Julius Gleiss, Conrad Pluncke. 2.

Ques. 3. Who are admitted into full connec-  
 tion?

Nicholas H. Boring. 1.

Ques. 4. Who are readmitted?

None.

Ques. 5. Who are received by transfer from  
 other Conferences?

William J. Joyce. 1.

Ques. 6. Who are the deacons of one year?

Boswell Gillett, James T. Gillett, Robert H.  
 Mangham. 3.

Ques. 7. What traveling preachers are elected  
 and ordained deacons?

None.

Ques. 8. What local preachers are elected and  
 ordained deacons?

None.

Ques. 9. What traveling preachers are elected  
 and ordained elders?

None.

Ques. 10. What local preachers are elected  
 and ordained elders?

None.

Ques. 11. Who have located this year?

None.

Ques. 12. Who are supernumerary?

August Engle, R. H. Belvin. 2.

Ques. 13. Who are superannuated?

Jesse Hord. 1.

Ques. 14. What preachers have died during  
 the past year?

Jasper K. Harper. 1.  
No memoir.

Ques. 15. 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. 16. What is the number of preachers and members in the several circuits, stations, and missions of the Conference?

Local preachers,	22
White members,	1,432
Colored members,	187

Ques. 17. What amounts are necessary for the superannuated preachers, and the widows and orphans of preachers, and to make up the deficiencies of those who have not obtained their regular allowance in their respective districts, circuits, and stations?

\$4,601.

Ques. 18. What has been collected on the fore-going accounts, and how has it been applied?

Collected,	\$440 00
Applied as follows:	
The Smithwick children,	185 00
Jasper K. Harper's widow and child,	100 00
Gustavus Elly,	42 00
Boswell Gillett,	93 00
Julius Gleiss,	20 00
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	440 00

Ques. 19. What has been contributed for the Missionary, Sunday-school, and Tract Societies? For Missions,

\$885 20

Ques. 20. Where and when shall the next session of the Conference be held?

At Helena, Texas.

Ques. 21. Where are the preachers stationed this year?

#### SAN ANTONIO DISTRICT.

*William J. Joyce, P. E.*

San Antonio Station, Robert P. Thompson.

Medina Circuit, Oliver B. Adams, Robert H. Belvin, Sup.  
Cibolo, John S. Gillett.  
Kerrsville, to be supplied.  
Boerne, to be supplied.  
Uvalde, to be supplied.

#### GOLIAD DISTRICT.

*James W. Cooly, P. E.*

Goliad Station, J. F. Bruno.  
Clinton Circuit, Thomas F. Rainey.  
Middletown, Robert H. Mangham.  
Helena, Eli Y. Seale.  
Sandies, to be supplied.  
Guadaloupe Colored Mission, Boswell Gillett.

John W. De Vilbiss, Professor in Aranama College.

#### CORPUS CHRISTI DISTRICT.

*Ivy H. Cox, P. E.*

Corpus Christi Station, to be supplied.  
St. Mary's Circuit, Thomas Myers.  
Beeville, James T. Gillett.  
Oakville and Nueces, to be supplied.

#### NEW BRAUNFELS DISTRICT.

*Frederick Vordenbimen, P. E.*

New Braunfels Circuit, J. Gleiss, A. Engle, Sup.  
Beaver Creek, John A. Shaper.  
New Fountain, Gustavus Elly.  
Fredericksburg, Conrad Pluncke.  
Guadaloupe Mission, August Tampke.  
Yorktown, Ferdinand Mummee.

Jesse Boring,\* Nicholas H. Boring,\* Hamilton G. Horton,\* William R. D. Stockton,\* Thomas F. Cocks.\*

\*In the C. S. Army.

## 19.—TEXAS CONFERENCE.

HELD AT ———, ———, 1863.

———, *President*; ———, *Secretary*.

QUESTION 1. Who are admitted on trial?

ANSWER. B. Ahrens, George V. Ridley, D. B. Wright, J. B. Allen. 4.

Ques. 2. Who remain on trial?

Granbury S. Randle. 1.

Ques. 3. Who are admitted into full connection?

William Harmes, George W. Graves, Cyrus M. Campbell. 3.

Ques. 4. Who are readmitted?

None.

Ques. 5. Who are received by transfer from other Conferences?

None.

Ques. 6. Who are the deacons of one year?  
 Thomas W. Glass, A. McKinney, Eugene R. Smith, Charles Biel, A. B. Duval, J. E. Chalk, John R. White, J. Carner, Preston Phillips. 9.

Ques. 7. What traveling preachers are elected and ordained deacons?  
 None.

Ques. 8. What local preachers are elected and ordained deacons?  
 None.

Ques. 9. What traveling preachers are elected and ordained elders?  
 George W. Fleming.\* 1.

Ques. 10. What local preachers are elected and ordained elders?  
 None.

Ques. 11. Who have located this year?  
 None.

Ques. 12. Who are supernumerary?  
 Job M. Baker, R. Y. King, S. S. Yarbrough, John Powell, D. Morse, Thomas Wooldridge, W. C. Lewis, J. Matthews, V. H. Iley. 9.

Ques. 13. Who are superannuated?  
 W. A. Smith, A. B. F. Kerr, J. H. D. Moore, J. W. Kenney. 4.

Ques. 14. What preachers have died during the past year?  
 Robert N. Drake. 1.

ROBERT N. DRAKE died in Tennessee in 1862. He came to this Conference in the latter part of the year 1854, and filled several appointments, though much afflicted in his person and family. He was on a visit to Tennessee when the war commenced, and remained there with his family and friends until death. Brother Drake was uniformly a pious man, of a modest carriage, as a man and minister.

Ques. 15. 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. 16. What is the number of preachers and members in the several circuits, stations, and missions of the Conference?

*Galveston District.*

	White Mem's.	White Prob's.	Col'd Mem's.	Col'd Prob's.	Loc'l Pr's.
Galveston Station†.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Galveston Col'd Miss.†	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Harmony Grove.....	89	.....	.....	.....	.....
Brazoria.....	80	.....	123	.....	.....
Houston & Col'd Miss.†	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Brazoria Col'd Miss.†...	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Sandy Point.....	102	.....	63	.....	.....
Richmond†.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Tarkington's Prairie Mission.....	99	.....	24	.....	.....
San Jacinto.....	57	.....	.....	.....	.....
	427	.....	210	.....	.....

\* Elected, but not ordained.  
 † No report.

*Huntsville District.*

	White Mem's.	White Prob's.	Col'd Mem's.	Col'd Prob's.	Loc'l Pr's.
Huntsville Station*.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Cold Springs and Waverley.....	115	.....	30	.....	.....
Montgomery and Colored Mission*.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Danville.....	164	.....	29	.....	.....
Anderson.....	204	.....	101	.....	.....
Plantersville*.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Chappell Hill.....	183	.....	223	.....	.....
Spring Creek & Hempstead.....	127	.....	117	.....	.....
	793	.....	500	.....	.....

*Springfield District.*

	White Mem's.	White Prob's.	Col'd Mem's.	Col'd Prob's.	Loc'l Pr's.
Springfield Circuit*.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Fairfield.....	234	.....	67	.....	.....
Centreville.....	218	.....	84	.....	.....
Madisonville.....	378	.....	51	.....	.....
Trinity.....	95	.....	28	.....	.....
Boonville.....	142	.....	10	.....	.....
Owensville.....	210	.....	24	.....	.....
Marlin.....	158	.....	.....	.....	.....
	1435	.....	264	.....	.....

*Fort Worth District.*

	White Mem's.	White Prob's.	Col'd Mem's.	Col'd Prob's.	Loc'l Pr's.
Fort Worth Circuit.....	249	.....	72	.....	.....
Weatherford.....	357	.....	.....	.....	.....
Keechi.....	99	.....	.....	.....	.....
Belknap*.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Buchanan.....	519	.....	.....	.....	.....
Hillsboro.....	433	.....	.....	.....	.....
Waxahatchie.....	430	.....	40	.....	.....
Corsicana.....	307	.....	53	.....	.....
	2394	.....	165	.....	.....

*Waco District.*

	White Mem's.	White Prob's.	Col'd Mem's.	Col'd Prob's.	Loc'l Pr's.
Waco Station.....	212	.....	50	.....	.....
Waco Ct. & Col'd Miss..	79	.....	.....	.....	.....
Gatesville*.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Meridian.....	151	.....	26	.....	.....
Comanche Mission.....	343	.....	10	.....	.....
Lampasas and Burnett	135	.....	.....	.....	.....
Belton and Col'd Miss.	310	.....	39	.....	.....
Camp Colorado*.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
	1230	.....	125	.....	.....

*Austin District.*

	White Mem's.	White Prob's.	Col'd Mem's.	Col'd Prob's.	Loc'l Pr's.
Austin Station*.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Austin Circuit.....	230	.....	.....	.....	.....
Bastrop.....	268	.....	69	.....	.....
Post Oak Island and Colored Mission.....	175	.....	.....	.....	.....
Caldwell & Col'd Miss..	200	.....	50	.....	.....
Georgetown.....	200	.....	17	.....	.....
Cameron.....	229	.....	15	.....	.....
Port Sullivan.....	59	.....	.....	.....	.....
Port Sullivan Col. Miss.	.....	.....	139	.....	.....
	1361	.....	290	.....	.....

*Columbus District.*

	White Mem's.	White Prob's.	Col'd Mem's.	Col'd Prob's.	Loc'l Pr's.
Columbus Station*.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Eagle Lake & Col. Miss.	5	.....	143	.....	.....
Brenham and Washington.....	230	.....	.....	.....	.....
Union Hill.....	138	.....	46	.....	.....
Bellville.....	160	.....	51	.....	.....
Egypt and Wharton*...	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Matagorda & Col. Miss.	61	.....	32	.....	.....
Rutersville.....	247	.....	128	.....	.....
La Grange.....	164	.....	80	.....	.....
Washington Col. Miss..	.....	.....	133	.....	.....
	1005	.....	613	.....	.....

\* No report.

Gonzales District.

	White Mem's.	White Prob's.	Col'd Mem's.	Col'd Prob's.	Loc'l Pr's.
Gonzales Station .....	87	.....	51	.....	.....
Gonzales Ct. & Col. Mis.	227	.....	70	.....	.....
Seguin and Col. Miss.*	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
San Marcus .....	207	.....	2	.....	.....
Lockhart & Col'd Miss.	132	.....	17	.....	.....
Blanco and Perdinales.	133	.....	11	.....	.....
San Saba* .....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Llano* .....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
San Marcus Col'd Miss.	.....	.....	56	.....	.....
	786	.....	207	.....	.....

Victoria District.

	White Mem's.	White Prob's.	Col'd Mem's.	Col'd Prob's.	Loc'l Pr's.
Victoria Station.....	84	.....	82	.....	.....
Victoria Mission .....	.....	.....	28	.....	.....
Indianola .....	10	.....	.....	.....	.....
Texana .....	110	.....	47	.....	.....
Boxville .....	626	.....	61	.....	.....
Concrete .....	61	.....	.....	.....	.....
Hallettsville .....	240	.....	50	.....	.....
Navidad & Col'd Miss..	397	.....	221	.....	.....
	1528	.....	488	.....	.....

German District.

	White Mem's.	White Prob's.	Col'd Mem's.	Col'd Prob's.	Loc'l Pr's.
Galveston* .....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Houston* .....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Bellville .....	51	.....	.....	.....	.....
Industry .....	105	.....	.....	.....	.....
Bastrop & Round Top.	113	.....	.....	.....	.....
Victoria .....	26	.....	.....	.....	.....
Brushy Mission .....	20	.....	.....	.....	.....
	315	.....	.....	.....	.....

Recapitulation.

	White Mem's.	White Prob's.	Col'd Mem's.	Col'd Prob's.	Loc'l Pr's.
Galveston District.....	427	.....	210	.....	.....
Huntsville " .....	793	.....	500	.....	.....
Springfield " .....	1435	.....	264	.....	.....
Fort Worth " .....	2394	.....	165	.....	.....
Waco " .....	1230	.....	125	.....	.....
Austin " .....	1361	.....	290	.....	.....
Columbus " .....	1005	.....	613	.....	.....
Gonzales " .....	786	.....	207	.....	.....
Victoria " .....	1528	.....	468	.....	.....
German " .....	315	.....	.....	.....	.....
	11,274	.....	2842	.....	126

Ques. 17. What amounts are necessary for the superannuated preachers, and the widows and orphans of preachers, and to make up the deficiencies of those who have not obtained their regular allowance in their respective districts, circuits, and stations?

No report.

Ques. 18. What has been collected on the foregoing accounts, and how has it been applied?  
 Collected, \$6,060 08  
 Appropriated to superannuated and deficient preachers, widows, and orphans.

Ques. 19. What has been contributed for the Missionary, Sunday-school, and Tract Societies?  
 For Missions, \$19,582 75  
 For Sunday-schools, 396 50

Ques. 20. Where and when shall the next session of the Conference be held?  
 At Waco, Texas.

Ques. 21. Where are the preachers stationed this year?

GALVESTON DISTRICT.

R. W. Kennon, P. E.

Galveston and Army Mission, B. L. Peel.  
 Houston, to be supplied.  
 Houston Colored Mission, W. R. Fazle.  
 Harmony Grove, to be supplied.  
 Columbia and Colored Mission, T. T. Smothers, J. P. Shapard.\*  
 San Bernard and Colored Mission, J. H. Shapard.  
 Island Chapel Colored Mission, T. F. Windsor.  
 Sandy Point Colored Mission, G. W. Fleming.  
 Richmond and Hartsville, E. R. Smith.  
 San Felipe and Colored Mission, J. Rice.  
 Matagorda and Colored Mission, T. B. Buckingham.  
 Book Agent, J. W. Shipman.

CHAPPELL HILL DISTRICT.

R. Alexander, P. E.

Chappell Hill, B. D. Dashiell, George Tittle.\*  
 Washington Colored Mission, D. G. Bowers.  
 Bellville, J. H. Davidson, J. Matthews, Sup.  
 Brenham, F. A. McShan.  
 Washington and Rock Island Colored Mission, U. C. Spencer.  
 Hempstead and Colored Mission, W. T. Harris.  
 Anderson, F. J. Cox.  
 Plantersville, to be supplied.  
 Spring Creek Mission, J. P. Stanfield.  
 Union Hill, to be supplied.  
 Soule University, George W. Carter,\* President;  
 J. M. Follansbee, Professor of Languages.  
 Chappell Hill Female College, John Carmer, President.

F. C. Wilkes,\* B. F. Perry.\*

HUNTSVILLE DISTRICT.

J. G. Johnson, P. E.

Huntsville Station, J. M. Wesson.  
 Trinity, to be supplied.  
 Cold Springs and Waverley, Joel T. Daves.  
 Danville, A. McKinney.  
 Montgomery, T. W. Blake.  
 Madison, to be supplied.  
 San Jacinto, C. H. Brooks.  
 West Liberty Mission, William Monk.

SPRINGFIELD DISTRICT.

L. B. Whipple, P. E.

Springfield Circuit, J. M. Jones.  
 Marlin, R. Crawford.  
 { Owensville, J. R. White.  
 { Sterling Colored Mission, J. P. Sneed.  
 Boonville, W. S. South.  
 Centreville, J. L. Crabb.  
 Fairfield, S. C. Littlepage.  
 Corsicana, D. Womack.

WACO DISTRICT.

J. W. Phillips, P. E.

Waco Station, to be supplied.  
 Waco Colored Mission, R. S. Nash.

\* No report.

\* In the C. S. Army.

Waco Circuit, A. Mizell.  
 Brazos Colored Mission, M. Yell.  
 Belton, Thomas W. Whitworth.  
 Georgetown, T. G. Gilmore.  
 Cameron, M. H. Porter.  
 Caldwell, J. H. Addison.  
 Port Sullivan, J. B. Allen.  
 Port Sullivan Female College, J. B. Allen, President.

FORT WORTH DISTRICT.

*William McK. Lambdin, P. E.*

Fort Worth, William Shaw, W. G. Veal.\*  
 Johnson Circuit, J. M. Boyd.  
 Weatherford, Ira E. Chalk.  
 Waxahatchie, T. W. Rogers.  
 Hillsboro, to be supplied.  
 Tihuaccana, Andrew Davis.  
 Village Creek and Colored Mission, Fountain P. Ray.

LAMPASES DISTRICT.

*J. M. Johnson, P. E.*

Lampases, George W. Graves.  
 Gatesville, J. Perry.  
 Meridian, W. A. Shegog.  
 Palo Pinto, C. M. Carpenter.  
 Camp Colorado, to be supplied.  
 Comanche, D. B. Wright.  
 San Saba and Llano, B. A. Kemp.  
 Belknap, to be supplied.

AUSTIN DISTRICT.

*I. G. John, P. E.*

Austin, J. M. Whipple.  
 Austin Colored Mission, J. W. Ledbetter.  
 Bastrop, William Rees.  
 Bastrop Circuit and Colored Mission, C. W. Thomas.  
 Lexington, G. W. Nelms.  
 La Grange, J. W. B. Allen.  
 Ruttersville and Colored Mission, J. A. Light.  
 Post Oak Island, D. Coulson.

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\* In the C. S. Army.

Bastrop Military Institute, R. T. P. Allen,\*  
 President: W. Rees, Professor of Languages;  
 R. D. Allen, Professor of Mathematics.

GONZALES DISTRICT.

*J. W. Whipple, P. E.*

Gonzales Station, A. Davidson.  
 Gonzales Circuit, T. W. Glass.  
 Seguin, J. S. McGee.  
 Lockhart and Colored Mission, William P. Reed.  
 San Marcus, A. B. Duval.  
 Blanco, W. T. Thornbury.  
 Cedar Creek and Colored Mission, A. G. May, Jr.  
 Gonzales Colored Mission, D. W. Fly.

VICTORIA DISTRICT.

*H. S. Thrall, P. E.*

Victoria, G. S. Sandle.  
 Victoria Colored Mission, Daniel Carl.  
 Port Lavaca and Army Mission, J. E. Ferguson.  
 Texana, O. A. Fisher, George V. Ridley.  
 Boxville, A. A. Killough.  
 Hallettsville, B. Harris.  
 Lavaca Colored Mission, A. M. Box.  
 Concrete, T. B. Ferguson.  
 Navidad, W. Smith.  
 Eagle Lake Colored Mission and Chaplain to Hospital at Columbus, G. W. Cottingham.  
 Columbus, C. J. Lane.  
 Egypt and Colored Mission, W. G. Foote.

GERMAN DISTRICT.

*C. A. Grote, P. E.*

Galveston German Mission, to be supplied.  
 Houston, P. A. Moelling.  
 Bellville German Mission, William Harnes.  
 Industry, C. Biel.  
 Bastrop and Round Top, J. Pruenzing.  
 Victoria, C. Grote.  
 Brushy German Mission, E. Schneider.  
 Army Missionaries, W. H. Seat (President), H. W. South, H. M. Glass, T. F. Cook, J. B. Ahrens.  
 P. Phillips, W. A. Parks, B. F. Perry, O. M. Addison, Chaplains in C. S. Army.

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\* In the C. S. Army.

20.—EAST TEXAS CONFERENCE.

[NO MINUTES FOR 1863 RECEIVED.]

21.—ARKANSAS CONFERENCE.

HELD AT BATESVILLE, ARK., October 21-23, 1863.

J. M. STEEL, *President*; E. T. JONES, *Secretary*.

- QUESTION 1. Who are admitted on trial?  
 ANSWER. Marion E. Griffin. 1.
- Ques. 2. Who remain on trial?  
 Francis M. Moore, Hilary Y. Garrison, Isaac T. Rice. 3.
- Ques. 3. Who are admitted into full connection?  
 William R. Knowlton, John W. Patton. 2.
- Ques. 4. Who are readmitted?  
 Hugh A. Barnett, John H. Rice. 2.
- Ques. 5. Who are received by transfer from other Conferences?  
 Guilford Jones, from Memphis Conference. 1.
- Ques. 6. Who are the deacons of one year?  
 A. W. C. Drake, J. M. Clayton, J. W. Bizzell. 3.
- Ques. 7. What traveling preachers are elected and ordained deacons?  
 William R. Knowlton,\* John W. Patton.\* 2.
- Ques. 8. What local preachers are elected and ordained deacons?  
 Marion E. Griffin,\* Robert H. Blackburn,\* Matthew Horn,\* Nathan E. Brady.\* 4.
- Ques. 9. What traveling preachers are elected and ordained elders?  
 Hervey M. Granade,\* Daniel W. Evans,\* J. Grant,\* Moses C. Morris,\* W. M. Mathis.\* 5.
- Ques. 10. What local preachers are elected and ordained elders?  
 William C. Malone. 1.
- Ques. 11. Who have located this year?  
 None.
- Ques. 12. Who are supernumerary?  
 M. H. McMurtry, Jacob W. Shook, Stephens Farrish, David N. Bowles. 4.
- Ques. 13. Who are superannuated?  
 E. F. McNab, John Rhyne. 2.
- Ques. 14. What preachers have died during the past year?  
 None.
- Ques. 15. 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. 16. What is the number of preachers and members in the several circuits, stations, and missions of the Conference?

	White Mem's.	White Prob's.	Col'd Mem's.	Col'd Prob's.	Loc'l Pr's.
Helena District.....	350	45	25	.....	.....
Harrisburg " .....	1117	421	10	2	14
Batesville " .....	856	488	35	44	4
Searcy " .....	1179	264	5	.....	16
Fayetteville " .....	234	71	2	.....	5
Clarksville (no report).	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
	3736	1239	77	46	39

Ques. 17. What amounts are necessary for the superannuated preachers, and the widows and orphans of preachers, and to make up the deficiencies of those who have not obtained their regular allowance in their respective districts, circuits, and stations?

\$1,015.

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

Collected,	\$1,015 00
Applied as follows:	
Beulah Carlisle,	465 00
Matilda Owen,	300 00
Miss Hilburn,	100 00
Eliza F. McNab,	150 00
	\$1,015 00

Ques. 19. What has been contributed for the Missionary, Sunday-school, and Tract Societies?  
 For Missions, \$1,062 00

Ques. 20. Where and when shall the next session of the Conference be held?  
 At Jacksonport, Ark.

Ques. 21. Where are the preachers stationed this year?

HELENA DISTRICT.

*Edward T. Jones, P. E.*

- Helena Station, John J. Roberts.  
 Helena Circuit, H. Y. Garrison.  
 Laconia Mission, to be supplied.  
 Clarendon Circuit, H. H. Hankins.  
 Prairie Circuit, A. W. C. Drake.  
 Richland Circuit, F. W. Thacker, M. H. McMurtry, Sup.  
 Augusta Circuit and African Mission, B. F. Hall.

Benoni Harris, Chaplain in C. S. Army

\* Elected, but not ordained.

HARRISBURG DISTRICT.

*John Cowle, P. E.*

Harrisburg Circuit and African Mission, James Mackey, G. Jones.  
 Jonesboro Circuit, H. M. Granade.  
 Gainesville Circuit, J. W. Bizzell, D. N. Bowles, Sup.  
 Osceola Circuit, Daniel W. Evans.  
 Marion Circuit, to be supplied.  
 Mount Vernon Circuit, William T. Noe.  
 Walnut Bend Circuit, John W. Patton.  
 American Bible Society, John M. Steel, Agent.

BATESVILLE DISTRICT.

*Joseph M. P. Hickerson, P. E.*

Batesville Station, Mortimer B. Pearson.  
 Batesville Circuit, Burwell Lee.  
 Jacksonport Station, William Shepherd.  
 Jacksonport Circuit, John M. Clayton.  
 Powhatan Circuit, Moses C. Morris.  
 Strawberry Circuit, William R. Foster.  
 Salem Mission, Hugh A. Barnet.  
 Flatwoods Circuit, Marion E. Griffin.  
 Pocahontas Circuit, to be supplied.  
 Yellville Circuit, to be supplied.

John H. Rice, Josiah A. Williams, Chaplains in C. S. Army.

SEARCY DISTRICT.

*George A. Dannelly, P. E.*

Searcy Station, Richard H. Dodson.  
 Searcy Circuit, William H. Gillam.  
 Grand Glaize, William R. Knowlton, J. W. Shook, Sup.  
 Big Creek Circuit, Cornelius N. McGuire.  
 Cadron Circuit, Isaac L. Hicks.  
 Clinton and Burrowville Mission, Jesse Griffin, one to be supplied.  
 Lewisburg Circuit, to be supplied.

CLARKSVILLE DISTRICT.

*Russel Reneau, P. E.*

Clarksville Circuit, William M. Robbins.  
 Dover Circuit, George A. Shaeffer.  
 Dardanelle Circuit, Richard W. Hammett.  
 Roseville Circuit, George Emert.  
 Fort Smith Circuit, William Wilson.  
 Van Buren Station, Lewis P. Lively.  
 Van Buren Circuit, Green Boyd.  
 Waldron Mission, F. M. Moore.

Thomas Stanford, John S. McCarver, William M. Mathis, James Grant, transferred to Texas Conference.

S. R. Trawick, transferred to North Carolina Conference.

22.—WACHITA CONFERENCE.

HELD AT TULIP, ARK., ———, 1863.

———, *President*; ———, *Secretary*.

QUESTION 1. Who are admitted on trial?

ANSWER. James F. Hall, R. P. Davis. 2.

Ques. 2. Who remain on trial?

William J. Davis, Thomas S. Tyson, C. C. McCrary, John N. Doyle, J. A. Clower. 5.

Ques. 3. Who are admitted into full connection?

Edmund R. Harrison, James R. Harvey, F. M. Rhodes, Jarrett W. Brandon. 4.

Ques. 4. Who are readmitted?

Richard F. Colburn. 1.

Ques. 5. Who are received by transfer from other Conferences?

None.

Ques. 6. Who are the deacons of one year?

J. A. Stanley, Thomas A. Graham, William A. Chamberlain, Thomas W. Hays, Calvin M. Gentry, G. H. Warren, J. M. Lee, Obadiah Burnett, B. C. Atchley, E. N. Watson, B. G. Johnson. 11.

Ques. 7. What traveling preachers are elected and ordained deacons?

Edmund R. Harrison,\* James R. Harvey,\* F. M. Rhodes,\* Jarrett W. Brandon.\* 4.

Ques. 8. What local preachers are elected and ordained deacons?

Henry Dickenson. 1.

Ques. 9. What traveling preachers are elected and ordained elders?

None.

Ques. 10. What local preachers are elected and ordained elders?

H. L. Taylor, Charles A. Chadick, Stephen C. Treadwell. 3.

Ques. 11. Who have located this year?

James M. Goodwin. 1.

Ques. 12. Who are supernumerary?

John M. Bradley, J. H. Blakely. 2.

\* Elected, but not ordained.

Ques. 13. Who are superannuated?

James M. Lee, J. S. McAllister, C. O. Steel, J. C. L. Aiken, John Harris, A. Avery. 6.

Ques. 14. What preachers have died during the past year?

Duncan L. G. McKenzie, W. Winborn. 2.  
No memoirs.

Ques. 15. 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. 16. What is the number of preachers and members in the several circuits, stations, and missions of the Conference?

No report.

Ques. 17. What amounts are necessary for the superannuated preachers, and the widows and orphans of preachers, and to make up the deficiencies of those who have not obtained their regular allowance in their respective districts, circuits, and stations?

\$2,895.

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

Collected, \$2724 65

Ques. 19. What has been contributed for the Missionary, Sunday-school, and Tract Societies?

For Missions, \$7,000

Ques. 20. Where and when shall the next session of the Conference be held?

At Arkadelphia, Ark.

Ques. 21. Where are the preachers stationed this year?

#### LITTLE ROCK DISTRICT.

*Jerome B. Annis, P. E.*

Little Rock Station and African Mission, R. F. Colburn.

Bayou Metre, Obadiah Burnett.

Red Bluff, to be supplied.

Benton, Thomas S. Tyson.

Saline, C. C. McCrary.

Perryville, Thomas B. Atterberry.

Hickory Plains, B. G. Johnson.

#### ARKADELPHIA DISTRICT.

*W. R. J. Husbands, P. E.*

Arkadelphia Station, James E. Cobb.

Clarke Circuit and African Mission, J. Greer.

Tulip Circuit and African Mission, A. Hunter.

Princeton Circuit and African Mission, James E. Caldwell.

Rockport, E. N. Watson.

Hot Springs, Edmund R. Harrison.

Caddo, J. W. Brandon.

Murfreesboro, James R. Harvey.

#### WASHINGTON DISTRICT.

*John Pryor, P. E.*

Washington Station, M. H. Wells.

Moscow, F. M. Rhodes.

Hempstead, J. G. Ward.

Centre Point, Robert C. Atchley.

Centre Point African Mission, to be supplied.

Paraclifta, Malcom Turner.

Richmond, James F. Hall.

Red River African Mission, R. P. Davis.

Polk, to be supplied.

Dallas Mission, to be supplied.

Centre Point Male and Female Academy, Thos. W. Hays.

#### CAMDEN DISTRICT.

*William Moores, P. E.*

Camden Station, W. P. Ratcliffe.

Wachita Circuit, Burton Williams.

Wachita African Mission, Samuel Morris.

Eldorado, one to be supplied, M. C. Manley.

Lapeal Circuit, James P. Hulse.

Hillsboro African Mission, to be supplied.

Magnolia, John P. Holmes.

Columbia African Mission, T. A. Graham.

Falcon, William J. Scott, W. A. Chamberlain.

Louisville, H. D. McKennon, J. A. Stanley.

Long Prairie African Mission, J. M. Stevenson.

#### PINE BLUFF DISTRICT.

*Fountain Brown, P. E.*

Pine Bluff Station, Cadesman Pope.

Jefferson Circuit, to be supplied.

Sulphur Springs, Elijah Crowson.

Lehi, Thomas Hunt.

Plum Bayou, C. M. Slover.

De Witt, John N. Doyle.

#### MONTICELLO DISTRICT.

*Benjamin Watson, P. E.*

Monticello Station and Woodlawn, A. B. Winfield.

Mount Pleasant and African Mission, E. L.

Gaddie, J. H. Blakely, Sup.

Lacy Circuit and African Mission, J. A. Clower.

Hamburg, G. H. Warren, F. F. Bond.

Bartholomew, J. H. Warfield.

Crooked Bayou, John Dickson.

Warren, B. C. Weir, John M. Bradley, Sup.

Hampton, A. H. Kennedy.

### 23.—INDIAN MISSION CONFERENCE.

[NO MINUTES FOR 1863 RECEIVED.]

### 24.—PACIFIC CONFERENCE.

[NO MINUTES FOR 1863 RECEIVED.]