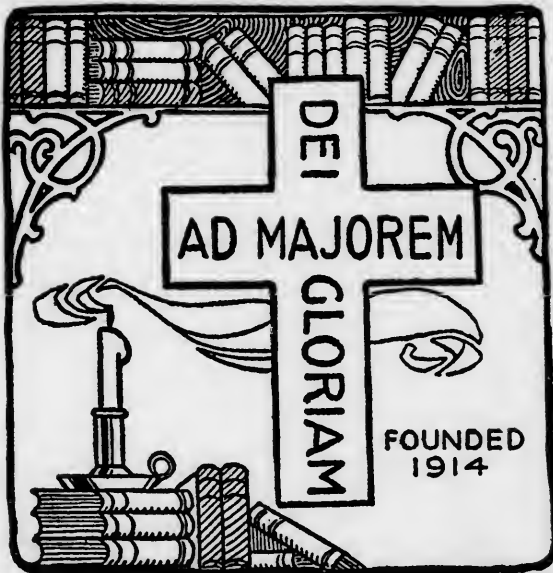
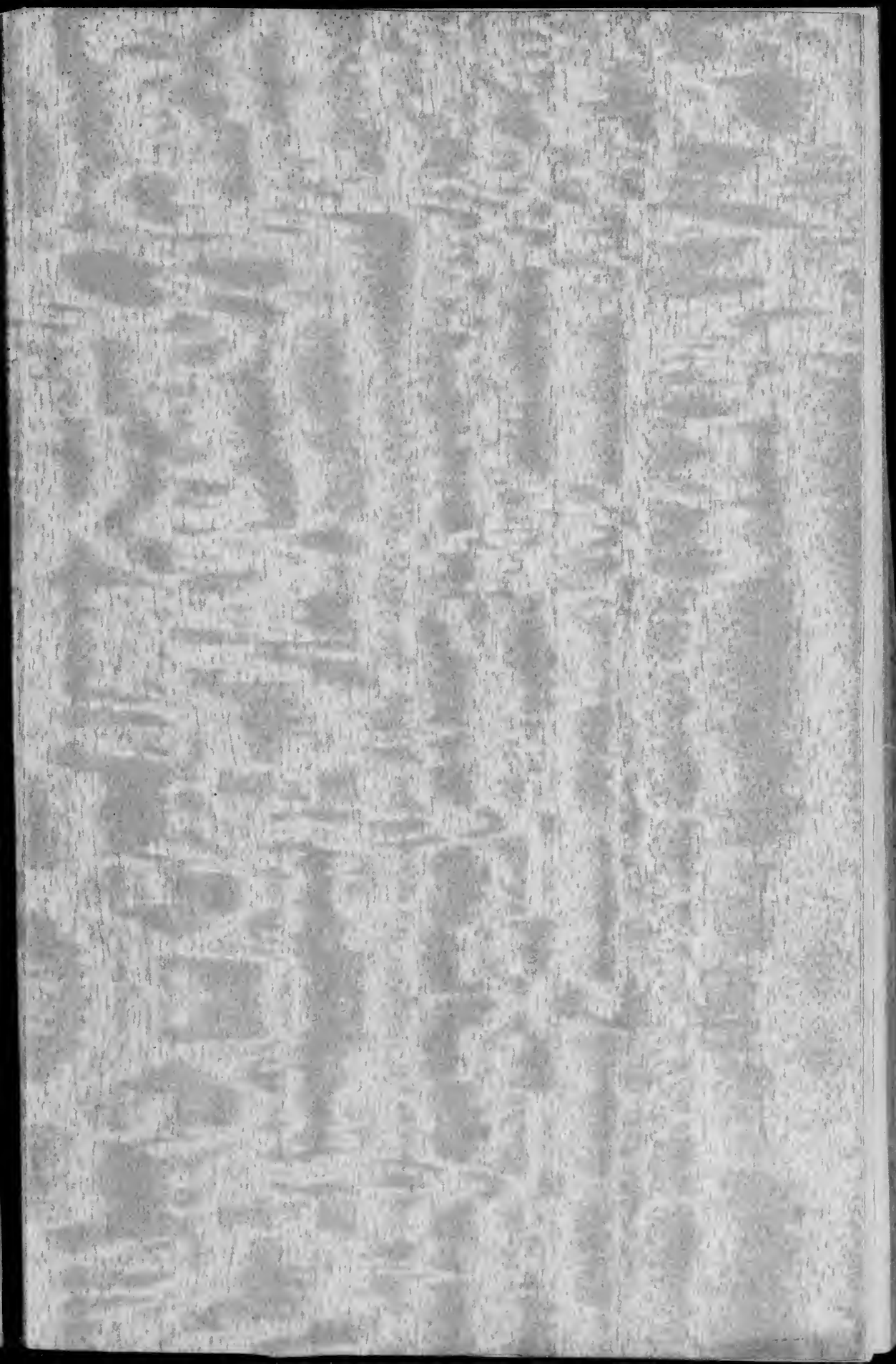


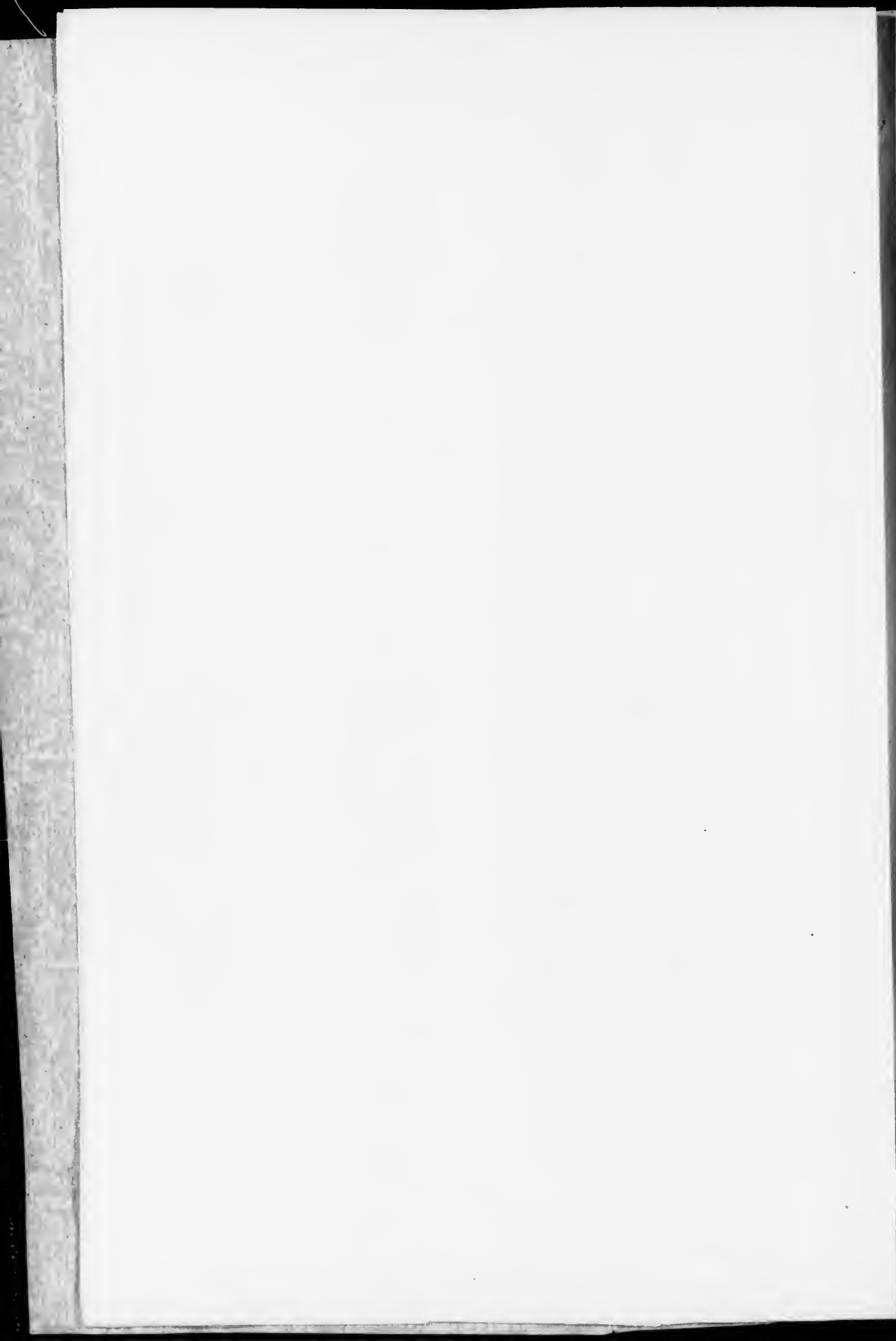
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MINUTES.

BALTIMORE CONFERENCE.

HELD AT STAUNTON, VA., MARCH 24-30, 1897.

BISHOP GALLOWAY, *President*; JAMES E. ARMSTRONG, *Secretary*.

QUESTION 1. Who are admitted on trial?
ANSWER. Wallace O. Tolbert, Frank A. Tyler, George William Bogle, William Hinkle Best, Henry Lawson, Ernest A. Woolf, Harry M. Canter, Howard A. Murrill, Robert Lee Eutsler, Daniel Wycliffe Griffin. 10.

Ques. 2. Who remain on trial? Evan A. Edwards, William E. Henry, Charles H. Cannon, David H. Kern, John R. Jacobs, Alfred L. Hornsberger, George W. Richardson, Grayson D. Kidner. 8.

Ques. 3. Who are discontinued? None.

Ques. 4. Who are admitted into full connection? James M. Anderson, Charles W. Moore, Frederick A. Gains, Daniel M. Brown, Courtland P. Smith, Linwood Hammond, John H. Dills, William D. Keene, John B. Henry, Charles D. Bulla, Homer H. Sherman, Josiah J. Ringer, George H. Echols, M. Preston Weikle, Charles F. Moore. 15.

Ques. 5. Who are readmitted? Oscar W. Lusby. 1.

Ques. 6. Who are received by transfer from other Conferences? Joseph Hay Young, from the Louisville Conference; Frank A. Tyler, from the Holston Conference. 2.

Ques. 7. Who are the deacons of one year? B. Lee Parrott, Harrah M. Reed, James H. Smith, Henry A. Wilson, Homer T. Heironimus; W. White Newberry, Charles L. Lynch, Oscar W. Lusby, Eldridge V. Register, Levi B. Atkins, William Stevens. 11.

Ques. 8. What traveling preachers are elected deacons? Charles D. Bulla, George H. Echols, M. Preston Weikle. 3.

Ques. 9. What traveling preachers are ordained deacons? Charles D. Bulla, George H. Echols, M. Preston Weikle. 3.

Ques. 10. What local preachers are elected deacons? Henry Lawson, Robert

Lee Eutsler, Alfred C. Hornsberger, Wallace O. Tolbert. 4.

Ques. 11. What local preachers are ordained deacons? Henry Lawson, Robert Lee Eutsler, Alfred L. Hornsberger, Wallace O. Tolbert. 4.

Ques. 12. What traveling preachers are elected elders? William J. Whitesell, Frank L. Day. 2.

Ques. 13. What traveling preachers are ordained elders? William J. Whitesell, Frank L. Day. 2.

Ques. 14. What local preachers are elected elders? David Henry Kern, Oscar W. Lusby. 2.

Ques. 15. What local preachers are ordained elders? David Henry Kern, Oscar W. Lusby. 2.

Ques. 16. Who are located this year? Edward H. Dashiell, at his own request. 1.

Ques. 17. Who are supernumerary? J. Newman Hank, Joseph J. Engle, Adam Q. Flaherty, Jacob S. Hopkins. 4.

Ques. 18. Who are superannuated? Francis M. Mills, Nelson Head, William G. Eggleston, J. Hoffman Waugh, John W. Tongue, Robert Smith, Charles G. Linthicum, James M. Follansbee, Hamilton A. Gaver, Ephraim L. Kregelo, Francis A. Mercer, Philip S. E. Sixeas, Aaron Boon, William Hedges, Larkin H. Crenshaw, Sylvanus Townsend, Charles A. Joyce, Charles L. Damaron, Wesley Hammond, John T. Maxwell, Hamilton W. Kinzer, John O. Tackett. 22.

Ques. 19. What preachers have died during the past year? Joshua Marsden Grandin, John Wesley Boteler, Robert Ross, Joseph H. Temple. 4.

JOSHUA MARSDEN GRANDIN was born at Hector, Schuyler county, N. Y., April 3, 1814. At the age of eight years his father died, and shortly afterwards he removed

to New York City. When but twelve years old he was converted to God, and three years later was licensed to exhort. In his sixteenth year he visited his brother in Portland, Me., and was employed to fill the pulpit of an absent preacher for one or two months. He remained with his brother for several years, and during that period devoted his time to the study of medicine. Impelled, however, by the conviction of his call to the ministry, he entered Dickinson College and stayed until he graduated. He was not unmindful of his life work while at college, but devoted his leisure hours on the Sabbath and at other times to exhorting and preaching wherever he found opportunity. In 1845 he was admitted on trial into the Baltimore Conference, and was assigned to Charles Circuit, second preacher with the Rev. Isaac Collins. His subsequent appointments were as follows: 1846, Bladensburg; 1847-48, Calvert; 1848, admitted into full connection and ordained deacon; 1849, he was placed in charge of Charles Circuit; 1850, he was ordained elder by Bishop Waugh at Alexandria, and appointed to Christiansburg Circuit; 1851-52, Fairfax; 1853, Pleasant Valley Mission; 1854-55, Montgomery Circuit; 1856, agent of Olin and Preston Institute, Virginia; 1857-58, Patapsco Station; 1859-60, Asbury and Mt. Zion, Washington City; 1861, Harper's Ferry, 1862-66, chaplain in the Confederate army; 1866, Fincastle; 1867-68, Charles; 1869, Trappe; 1870, Queen Anne's; 1871-72, Taylor's; 1873, Frederick Avenue, Baltimore; 1874, Mt. Sidney; 1875, Prince William; 1876-79, Sunday-school and Tract Agent; 1880, Rainsburg; 1881, Tract Agent. In 1882 he was placed on the superannuated list, where he continued for fourteen years, until his death, July 24, 1896. In 1849 he was married to Miss Ann Dove Shemwell, of Southern Maryland, who, with an only child (Mrs. Mary G. Bennett), survives him. His granduncle was Samuel Seabury, of Connecticut, who received the episcopate in the Church of Scotland at the hands of "nonjuring" prelates in the Episcopal Chapel, Aberdeen, November 14, 1784, but a little over a month prior to the ordination of Bishop Asbury; but who did not exercise the functions of his office until June 27, 1785. Joshua Marsden, an English Wesleyan, "familiar to the Church by his hymns, by his missionary labors in Nova Scotia, Bermuda, and the West Indies, and by his long service at home," was the uncle of brother Grandin, after whom he was named. It is not surprising that a descendant of these historic men should inherit some of their excellent qualities, both of mind and heart. He was indeed, in some respects, a remarkable man. His originality in the conception of the truth of God's word and

in the illustrations which abounded in his sermons was striking. His descriptive powers rendered vivid the men and scenes of Bible history. At times he preached with great power and with wonderful effect. Many were the seals given to his ministry. It will be noticed in the record of appointments how varied was the character of his work. This forcibly illustrates the versatility of his talents. It was impossible for a man of his peculiar traits to avoid the exhibition of peculiar contrasts. Genial and gentle at times, at other moments he was brusque and impetuous; but he was ever loyal to his Lord, and held tenaciously to his conscious relation to him. So, after bearing the weight of infirmities even to the age of eighty-two years, he could say at the last moment: "I am only just waiting for the call of Jesus; it may come any day, but I am waiting, and am ready." When the call came, "he passed peacefully away, without a struggle or a sigh," to meet his Lord.

JOHN WESLEY BOTELER, son of John Davis and Eliza Mills Boteler, was born in Washington, D. C., March 12, 1829. With the exception of a few years spent as an itinerant in the Baltimore Conference, and then in the Upper Iowa Conference, his labors as minister and leader in the Church were confined to the city of his birth, where he has left his indelible impress, and where he fell asleep in Jesus, April 12, 1896, having lived sixty-seven years and one month. He began his Christian life early. He was converted at the age of ten, and joined Wesley Chapel, Methodist Episcopal Church, where his father was a class leader and prominent member. He always had a warm place in his heart for old Wesley Chapel. Besides its connection with his conversion, his father had laid the first bricks of the present structure which bears that name, and here his afterwards famous brother-in-law, T. J. Magruder, was at one time superintendent of the Sunday school. Later in life, brother Boteler's parents having moved to the eastern part of Washington City, he became connected with old Ebenezer, now Trinity Methodist Episcopal Church, where it is likely he was sent out upon his ministerial career. He was received into the Baltimore Conference at Winchester, Va., in 1851, and was sent as junior preacher to Greenbrier Circuit, with the Rev. John W. Wolfe preacher in charge. In 1852 he was put in charge of Sewell Valley Circuit. In 1853 he was ordained deacon by Bishop Morris at Hagerstown, Md., and received into full connection. That year he was sent to Sweet Springs Circuit, where, on the 14th of February, 1854, he was mar-

ried to Susan Hester Printz, of Dunlop's Creek, Va. The same year he was returned to Sweet Springs Circuit. The record shows that he was ordained elder in the old Light Street Church, Baltimore, by Bishop Waugh. After serving Jacksonville and Union circuits a year each, he was transferred to the Upper Iowa Conference in 1857, and sent to Rockdale Circuit, near Dubuque. In 1858-59 he served Andrew Circuit, in Jackson county, Iowa. Owing to several severe attacks of vertigo, upon advice of his physician he located, and soon afterwards returned to Washington City, where he engaged for a time in the shoe business, from which he retired, however, to accept the secretaryship of the Mutual Fire Insurance Company, of Washington, D. C. This place he held to the day of his death, a period of nearly thirty years. He was readmitted to the Baltimore Conference in 1869, at Trinity Church, Baltimore, Bishop Wightman presiding, and was at his request placed on the supernumerary list. Contrary to what might have been expected from the relation he sustained to the Church and the connection he had with responsible secular labors, he never became secularized; but the last thirty years of his life must be reckoned as the most significant of all the years he gave to the Church. It was literally true that his last days were his best days, ending in a fitting climax, and showing that in his selection of place and work he had been guided by the Spirit. For about twenty years of the period of which we speak brother Boteler was connected with what is now Mt. Vernon Place Methodist Episcopal Church, South, having here a class, and withal being much to that congregation what he was afterwards to Epworth. It was he who suggested the name of the present Church. About 1889 brother Boteler changed his residence to the eastern section of Washington City, and soon became connected with Grace Mission, now Epworth Church. He found there a handful of people, who had been worshipping in a small frame structure on the corner of Seventh and A streets, N. E. It seemed fitting that one who knew the city so well, and had done so much here for the Church of his choice, should round out his life by leading in the enterprise which eventuated in the beautiful structure that now graces the corner where stood the little frame building. He saw his opportunity, and pressed to take advantage of it. "I want to see a new church on that corner before I die," he used so often to remark that the expression became known to embody his one desire. He seemed to have an impression that what was to be done must be done quickly. In his last days he thought and

talked of little else than this crowning purpose of his life. He lived to see that purpose accomplished, and was glad. He gave so liberally of his means to the enterprise that his friends chided him for his lavishness. He constantly affirmed that he was giving that which was the Lord's by right, and that he was to be able to invest in heavenly stock. Epworth Church was dedicated January 12, 1896, by Bishop Wilson, his warm personal friend. Brother Boteler was present at the services, and suggested Simeon of old. Just three months thereafter he died of paralysis, on Sunday evening, while the church bells were ringing for the evening service. The last words he said to his pastor were words concerning the Church, and were characteristic of the faith he had in her final triumph: "The Lord will provide." In brother Boteler's death the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, in Washington City lost one whose place is difficult to fill. As the days multiply since he left us, our Methodism there feels no less keenly that loss. He was one of the best known of all the men who had to do with the establishing of our Church in the capital city. A most decided Southern Methodist in his instincts, he had the love and confidence of all the Christian people of his native city, the Catholics vying with the Protestants in doing him honor. In his methods of Church work he was a painstaking "hand-picker." If a certain amount of money was to be raised, he would often assume the bulk of it, and then, with perseverance in the face of any discouragements, he would add little by little until he had accomplished what he set out to do. So in his labors for souls. He worked upon individuals. When in the active ministry, he rode a great way to his appointment on one occasion, and found one man in his congregation. He took a text, preached, and then came down and shook hands with his audience. Many are the souls who will greet him on the other side who have been thus impressed, if not won to Christ, through his carefulness for individuals. As to generosity, brother Boteler was a kind of marvel. While much he gave was known because of the channels through which it came, much will never be known until "that day." He gave scripturally, and most cheerfully, often saying, when various means were used to raise money, "Oh that Christian people would learn the joy of direct giving!" In manner brother Boteler was gentle and courteous, with an exceedingly low and sweet voice, which he consecrated to the Lord in encouraging the faint-hearted and in singing the songs of Zion. Perhaps in no capacity was he happier than when leading the congregation

where he worshiped in its service of song. He loved old Methodist tunes and hymns, and taught others to do the same. One who knew brother Boteler in his youth describes him thus as a preacher, the description agreeing well with what he was in his closing days: "He was not at all demonstrative, but calm and deliberate, and yet earnest and clear in his presentation of truth." The last sermon he preached he delivered at Marvin Methodist Church, South, upon communion occasion. It was on a gospel theme, and he was very happy in the service. He was as calm in the face of death as he had ever been in life, retaining his love of humor to the last. He seemed to have not the remotest dread of the last enemy. His funeral took place at Epworth Methodist Episcopal Church, South, Washington, D. C., April 14, 1896; all the ministers of our own Church in the city and many from the surrounding charges being present and taking part in the solemn and sweet service. He was buried in the Congregational Cemetery, to await the resurrection of the just. Brother Boteler leaves a wife and five children. All are members of the Methodist Church. One of his sons is an official member in the congregation where brother Boteler completed his life, and which owes so much to his leadership.

ROBERT ROSS was born near Westernport, in Alleghany county, Md., and died December 13, 1896, within a few miles of the place where he was born about eighty-four years before. He was converted as a boy, and became a member of the Methodist Episcopal Church in his youth, and continued such until his admission into our Conference in 1868. He was a local preacher in the former Church from 1850 to the time of his union with us. He appears to have been admitted as an elder. Brother Ross's appointments and years of service were as follows: Admitted in 1868, he served two years on Flintstone Circuit, and three years at Rainesburg. In 1873 he was received into full connection, and appointed to Newcastle, where he remained four years. He served Catawba two years, James River one, and Catawba again for four years; one year at Lafayette, two more at Newcastle, and three years on Botetourt Mission completed his active work in the ministry. In 1890, at the Conference at St. Paul's Church, in Baltimore, he superannuated. Since his retirement, to the time of his death, his home has been with his brother, Henry Ross, near Westernport, Md. Among those who knew him intimately, brother Ross was held in high esteem for his Christian character, and was reckoned a preacher of ability. The brethren who

visited him shortly before his death found him strong in the faith, fond of the word, and cheerful under affliction. Seven months of continuous suffering tried and proved his patience and Christian fortitude. He sleeps on the summit of one of his native mountains—his grave almost as lonely as that on distant Nebo. Future generations will scarcely care to find it, or, caring, will not be able. But the hope of a better resurrection is his, and on some greater transfiguration day, with Moses and Elias, and all the company of the redeemed, he will appear with the Lord in his glory.

JOSEPH H. TEMPLE was born in Pendleton county, Va., February 21, 1828. His parents were Harry F. and Elizabeth Temple. He was converted under the preaching of the Rev. Samuel Register, and united with the Methodist Episcopal Church in 1854. On August 20, 1850, he was married to Miss Sarah A. Bruffey, of Rockingham county, Va. She was reared in the Presbyterian faith, but after the conversion of her husband, and upon his admission on trial into the Western Virginia Conference, June 1, 1855, she cheerfully accepted the lot of an itinerant's wife, and with fidelity and devotion aided him in his work until her death, September 1, 1889. Brother Temple's first appointment was in charge of Weston Circuit, 1855, and West Union, 1856. In 1857 he was admitted into full connection, ordained deacon by Bishop Simpson, and returned to West Union. In 1858 he was sent to Ripley and Mill Creek. In 1859 he was ordained elder by Bishop Morris at Parkersburg, Va., and returned to Ripley. His health failing, he was placed on the supernumerary list, and in 1862 was transferred to the superannuated relation. He was received into the Baltimore Conference at Bridgewater, Va., in 1864, and placed on the supernumerary list. He was continued in this relation until 1867, when he became effective, and was appointed to South River Circuit, Maryland. He spent two years on this work, and in 1869 had charge of Salem and Bethel, Va. His subsequent appointments were as follows: 1870-71, Lexington Circuit; 1872-73, Big Lick; 1874, Bridgewater; 1875, Mt. Sidney; 1876-77, Stafford; 1878, Trappe; 1879, Charles and St. Mary's; 1880-83, Frederick, Va.; 1884-85, Crab Bottom; 1886-89, Wardensville; 1890-91, Staunton Circuit Mission. On February 15, 1891, he was married to Mrs. Elizabeth C. Baskin, who survives him. In 1892 he was granted a superannuated relation, in which he remained until his death. The health of brother Temple was never robust, but he was "fervent in spirit, serving the Lord." He was a good preacher, sound in doc-

trine, thoroughly committed to the work of the ministry, and wise and prudent in administration. He was a man of few words, grave and somewhat reserved in manner, "giving no offense, that the ministry be not blamed." Those who knew him best placed a high estimate on his character. Beneath his seeming reserve he had a warm and loving heart, and needed only to be long enough with a people to grow in their confidence and affection. His ministry was not without fruit. Souls were awakened and brought to God under his preaching, the standard of Christian living was elevated by his upright example, and through his instrumentality Church enterprises were wisely guided to successful completion. His health steadily declined through the five years of his retirement from the active work. For ten months before his death he was confined to his bed. He died March 27, 1897, during the session of the Annual Conference in Staunton. The funeral services were conducted March 29, at Churchville, Va. He rests from his labors, and his works follow him.

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

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

Baltimore District.

	White Mem's.	Colored Mem's.	Loc'l Pr's.
Baltimore: Central & Caernarvon.	321		1
St. Paul's and Wilkin's Avenue.	618		1
Emmanuel.....	311		1
Frederick Avenue.....	80		
Arlington and Sudbrook.....	194		
Reisterstown.....	160		1
Freedom.....	383		
Linganore.....	361		
Frederick City.....	108		1
Brunswick.....	90		
Rockville.....	504		
Gaithersburg.....	321		1
Montgomery.....	395		
Beltsville.....	170		1
Hyattsville.....	180		
Emory.....	62		
Wesley Grove.....	333		1
Laurel.....	272		
Patuxent.....	231		
Forest Grove.....	106		
	5,200		8

East Baltimore District.

Baltimore: Trinity.....	475		4
Calvary.....	299		2
North Baltimore.....	98		
Taylor's and Roland Park.....	145		
West Harford.....	106		
East Harford.....	127		1
Kent.....	116		
Queen Anne's.....	268		
Church Hill.....	186		
Hillsboro.....	155		
Easton and Caroline.....	337		1

East Baltimore District (Continued).

	White Mem's.	Colored Mem's.	Loc'l Pr's.
Trappe.....	157		1
Royal Oak.....	202		2
Severn.....	174		
Chesapeake.....	194		1
West River.....	166		
Calvert.....	440		1
Prince George's.....	252		1
Charles.....	192		
St. Mary's.....	89		
	4,173		14

Washington District.

Washington: Mt. Vernon Place and West Washington.....	886		6
Epworth.....	252		1
Marvin.....	207		
Alexandria and Mission.....	770		
Fredericksburg.....	367		
Fall's Church.....	219		1
Leesburg.....	303		
Loudoun.....	561		1
Hamilton.....	375		
Hillsboro and Mission.....	691		
Middleburg.....	277		
Sterling.....	534		1
Fairfax.....	309	2	1
Marshall.....	527	1	1
Warrenton.....	220	2	1
Ocoquan.....	377	1	
Sudley and Manassas.....	493		1
Fauquier.....	392		2
Stafford.....	432	1	
Morrisville.....	320		1
	8,502	7	17

Winchester District.

Winchester.....	548		
Frederick.....	201		
Stephen City.....	435		
Middletown.....	391		1
Strasburg.....	217		
Woodstock.....	313		1
Edenburg.....	368	1	1
Front Royal and Riverton.....	342		2
Warren.....	430	1	
Lu den.....	221		
Page.....	343		1
White Post.....	186		
Berryville.....	303		
Brucetown.....	449		
Darksville.....	365		
Martinsburg.....	375		1
Berkeley.....	203		1
Charlestown.....	344		
Jefferson.....	240		
Shepherdstown.....	483		
	6,857	2	8

Rockingham District.

Staunton.....	786	1	1
Harrisonburg.....	431		
Bridgewater.....	1,032		1
Parnassus.....	252		
West Augusta.....	141		
Augusta.....	446		2
Waynesboro.....	266		
New Hope.....	171	1	
Rockingham.....	266		
East Rockingham.....	331		
Elkton.....	246		1
Port Republic.....	246		1
Shenandoah.....	358		2
Luray.....	219		
New Market.....	219		
Mt. Jackson.....	130		
Marksville.....	236		2
Fairfield.....	345		1
Rockbridge Baths.....	227		
Bell's Valley.....	120	1	
	6,468	3	11

Roanoke District.

	White Mem's.	Colored Mem's.	Loc'l Pr's.
Salem	437	1	.....
Roanoke: Greene Memorial	687	.....	2
Trinity	213	.....	1
St. James	447	.....	2
Grace	281	.....	.....
Belmont and Roanoke Circuit	552	.....	2
Vinton	337	1	.....
Bethany	182	.....	.....
James River	414	.....	.....
Fincastle	326	.....	1
Botetourt	324	.....	2
Buena Vista and Rockbridge	557	.....	.....
Lexington	271	.....	2
Colliertown	198	.....	.....
Elliston	454	.....	.....
Christiansburg	270	.....	.....
Blacksburg	275	.....	1
Newport	654	.....	.....
New Castle	250	3	.....
Catawba	450	.....	2
	7,579	5	15

Lewisburg District.

Lewisburg	314	.....	.....
Frankford	470	1	1
Blue Sulphur	198	.....	.....
Green Sulphur	148	6	.....
Hinton	279	.....	.....
Talcott	224	.....	.....
Alderson	204	.....	2
Greenville	454	.....	.....
Union	446	.....	1
Ronceverte and White Sulphur	383	.....	1
Alvon	212	1	1
Alleghany	280	.....	.....
Covington	258	.....	1
Clifton Forge	245	.....	1
Millboro	119	.....	.....
Levelton	353	.....	.....
Huntersville	239	.....	.....
Green Bank	398	.....	.....
Gillet's	162	.....	1
Hot Springs	112	.....	1
	5,498	8	10

Moorefield District.

Moorefield	305	.....	.....
Petersburg	195	.....	1
Franklin	314	1	.....
Crab Bottom	292	.....	.....
Keyser	263	.....	.....
Elk Garden	166	.....	.....
Piedmont	210	.....	.....
Frostburg	215	.....	.....
Flintstone	185	.....	.....
Romney	679	.....	2
Springfield	379	.....	1
Slanesville	291	1	2
Hardy	406	.....	2
Morgan	333	.....	1
Gainsboro	316	.....	.....
Wardensville	339	.....	2
Capon Bridge	482	5	.....
Listonburg	179	.....	2
Monterey	331	.....	1
McDowell	421	.....	.....
	6,301	8	13

Recapitulation.

Baltimore District	5,200	.....	8
East Baltimore District	4,171	.....	14
Washington District	8,502	7	17
Winchester District	6,857	2	8
Rockingham District	6,468	3	11
Roanoke District	7,579	5	15
Lewisburg District	5,498	8	10
Moorefield District	6,301	8	13
Total this year	50,578	33	96
Total last year	49,327	39	100
Increase	1,251	.....	.....
Decrease	.....	6	4

Ques. 22. How many infants have been baptized during the year? 1,580.

Ques. 23. How many adults have been baptized during the year? 1,969.

Ques. 24. What is the number of Epworth Leagues? 165.

Ques. 25. What is the number of Epworth League members? 7,160.

Ques. 26. What is the number of Sunday schools? 581.

Ques. 27. What is the number of Sunday-school teachers? 5,699.

Ques. 28. What is the number of Sunday-school scholars? 40,357.

Ques. 29. What amount is necessary for the superannuated preachers and the widows and orphans of preachers? \$12,000.

Ques. 30. What has been collected on the foregoing account? and how has it been applied? \$10,634. Applied to claimants.

Ques. 31. What has been contributed for Missions? Foreign Missions, \$11,575.09; Domestic Missions, \$6,146. Total, \$17,721.09.

Ques. 32. What has been contributed for Church Extension? \$2,237.

Ques. 33. What has been done for the American Bible Society? \$361.

Ques. 34. What has been contributed for the support of presiding elders and preachers in charge? Presiding elders, \$11,549; preachers in charge, \$117,611.

Ques. 35. What has been contributed for the support of bishops? \$2,007.

Ques. 36. What is the number of societies, and the number and estimated value of church edifices? Societies, 630; church edifices, 521; value, \$1,186,065.

Ques. 37. What is the number of pastoral charges, and the number and value of parsonages owned by them? Charges, 160; parsonages, 135; value, \$220,050.

Ques. 38. What is the number and value of district parsonages? Number, 5; value, \$20,000.

Ques. 39. What are the educational statistics? Randolph-Macon College: Officers and teachers, 10; students, 132; value of property, \$116,000; endowment, \$126,000. Randolph-Macon Woman's College: Officers and teachers, 20; students, 172; value of property, \$124,000; endowment, \$103,000. Randolph-Macon Academy, at Front Royal: Officers and teachers, 6; students, 81; value of property, \$102,000. Randolph-Macon Academy, at Bedford City: Officers and teachers, 8; students, 120; value of property, \$99,600. Wesleyan Female Institute: Officers and teachers, 11; students, 63; value of property, \$30,000. Amount collected, \$1,812.

Ques. 40. Where shall the next session of the Conference be held? Hinton, W. Va.

Ques. 41. Where are the preachers stationed this year?

BALTIMORE DISTRICT.

J. S. Hutchinson, P. E.

Baltimore: Central and Caernarvon, J. A. Anderson, W. H. Best; J. N. Hank, Sup.
 St. Paul's and Wilkin's Avenue, H. M. Whaling, William Stevens.
 Emmanuel, W. S. Hammond.
 Frederick Avenue, L. W. Haslup.
 Arlington and Sudbrook, J. S. Engle, F. L. Day.
 Reisterstown, C. S. Stratton, F. H. Shipley.
 Freedom and Mission, W. A. McDonald, F. A. Tyler.
 Linganore, W. E. Woolf, J. M. Anderson.
 Frederick City, J. H. Wilhite.
 Brunswick, S. M. Bowman.
 Rockville, A. O. Armstrong, E. A. Edwards.
 Gaithersburg, L. L. Lloyd.
 Montgomery, W. H. Sanders, G. W. Bogle.
 Beltsville, J. C. Hawk.
 Hyattsville, William Melville; one to be supplied.
 Emory, H. M. Reed.
 Wesley Grove, J. H. Dulany.
 Laurel, C. P. Smith.
 Patuxent, T. J. Lambert.
 Forest Grove, F. Furr.
 Editor Baltimore Christian Advocate, J. S. Hutchinson.

EAST BALTIMORE DISTRICT.

I. W. Canter, P. E.

Baltimore: Trinity, J. H. Young.
 Calvary, C. D. Harris.
 North Baltimore, D. H. Kern.
 Taylor's, J. L. Shipley.
 West Harford, A. B. Sites.
 East Harford, William E. Miller.
 Kent, J. C. Sedwick.
 Queen Anne's, C. L. Kennard.
 Church Hill, J. E. Wilson.
 Hillsboro, W. L. Smith.
 Easton and Caroline, H. T. Wirgman; one to be supplied by I. Christopher.
 Trappe, C. W. Mark.
 Royal Oak, L. G. Martin.
 Severn, C. E. Simmons.
 Chesapeake, W. P. C. Coe.
 West River, N. N. Hall.
 Calvert, E. H. Henry, W. E. Henry.
 Prince George, F. T. Griffith.
 Charles, J. B. Henry.
 St. Mary's, C. W. Moore.

WASHINGTON DISTRICT.

J. H. Boyd, P. E.

Washington: Mt. Vernon Place and West Washington, J. W. Duffey, J. W. Beall.
 Epworth, J. O. Knott.
 Marvin, W. F. Locke.
 Alexandria and Mission, J. T. Williams, J. H. Wells.

Fredericksburg, J. P. Stump.
 Fall's Church, A. M. Cackley.
 Leesburg, E. V. Regester.
 Loudoun, G. T. Tyler, E. L. Woolf.
 Hamilton, T. G. Nevitt.
 Hillsboro, S. B. Dolly.
 Middleburg, S. V. Hildebrand.
 Sterling, A. Weller, J. R. Jacobs.
 Fairfax, C. K. Millican.
 Marshall, H. M. Strickler, H. T. Heironimus.
 Warrenton, J. S. Gardner.
 Occoquan, J. W. Grubb.
 Sudley and Manassas, C. B. Sutton, D. L. Blakemore.
 Fauquier, J. L. Grant.
 Stafford, A. R. Martin.
 Morrisville, W. T. Gover.

WINCHESTER DISTRICT.

B. W. Bond, P. E.

Winchester, S. K. Cox.
 Frederick, L. Fox.
 Stephen City, J. C. Thrasher.
 Middletown, J. R. Andrew.
 Strasburg, H. L. Hout; J. S. Hopkins, Sup.
 Woodstock, H. H. Kennedy.
 Edenburg, J. F. Baggs.
 Front Royal and Riverton, D. Bush.
 Warren, J. S. Porter, G. D. Kidner.
 Linden, I. G. Michael.
 Page, T. J. Miller.
 White Post, F. A. Gains.
 Berryville, R. R. S. Hough; J. J. Engle, Sup.
 Bruceton, O. C. Beale.
 Darksville, W. J. Hubbard.
 Martinsburg, S. G. Ferguson.
 Berkeley, H. S. Coe.
 Charlestown, R. Smithson.
 Jefferson and Mission, J. H. Woolf, H. A. Murrell.
 Shepherdstown and Hagerstown, J. L. Kibler, H. W. Gross.
 Professor in Randolph-Macon College, J. A. Kern.
 President Valley Female College, J. P. Hyde.
 Conference Colporteur, A. A. P. Neel.

ROCKINGHAM DISTRICT.

P. H. Whisner, P. E.

Staunton and West Augusta, F. J. Prettyman, J. J. Crickenberger.
 Harrisonburg, W. H. D. Harper.
 Bridgewater, W. L. Dolley, A. L. Hornsberger.
 Mt. Crawford, D. L. Reid.
 Parnassus, J. J. Ringer.
 Augusta, W. J. Whitesell; one to be supplied.
 Waynesboro, G. D. White.
 New Hope, J. K. Gilbert.
 Rockingham, R. L. Fultz.
 East Rockingham, L. Butt.
 Elkton, W. B. Dorsey.

Port Republic, J. H. Smith.
 Shenandoah, H. H. Sherman.
 Luray, L. R. Jones.
 New Market, R. M. Wheeler.
 Mt. Jackson, T. Briley.
 Marksville, Thomas Cooper.
 Fairfield, J. W. Canter.
 Rockbridge Baths, Q. A. Wheat.
 Bell's Valley, W. H. Marsh.
 President of Wesleyan Female Institute,
 H. P. Hamill.

ROANOKE DISTRICT.

B. F. Ball, P. E.

Salem, J. E. Armstrong.
 Roanoke City: Green Memorial, T. E. Carson.
 Trinity, J. C. Jones.
 St. James, H. I. Stephens.
 Grace, C. D. Bulla.
 Roanoke Circuit and Belmont, H. A. Wilson, W. D. Keene.
 Vinton, G. T. D. Collins.
 Bethany, W. O. Ross.
 Buchanan, J. L. Henderson.
 Fincastle, F. A. Strother.
 Botetourt, G. O. Homan; A. Q. Flaherty, Sup.
 Buena Vista and Rock Bridge, W. H. H. Joyce, W. O. Tolbert.
 Lexington, J. T. Wightman.
 Collierstown, A. P. Boude.
 Elliston, H. L. Myerly.
 Christiansburg, W. G. Hammond.
 Blacksburg, J. H. Davidson.
 Newport, C. B. Le Few, Oscar W. Lusby.
 New Castle, C. W. Cook.
 Catawba, L. H. Grabill.
 Professor in Vanderbilt University, Collins Denny.

LEWISBURG DISTRICT.

J. D. Martin, P. E.

Lewisburg, T. W. Brown.
 Frankford, R. H. Wilson, H. Lawson.
 Blue Sulphur, H. M. Roan.
 Green Sulphur, George H. Echols.
 Hinton, H. A. Brown.
 Talcott, G. R. Mays.

Alderson, J. M. Hawley.
 Greenville and Peterstown, A. C. McNeer, G. W. Richardson.
 Union, O. F. Burgess.
 Ronceverte and White Sulphur, L. R. Markwood, H. M. Canter.
 Alvon, A. C. Hamill.
 Alleghany and Mission, L. B. Atkins, C. L. Lynch.
 Covington, C. H. Buchanan.
 Clifton Forge, J. R. Van Horne.
 Millboro, H. D. Bishop.
 Levelton, J. H. Dills.
 Huntersville, B. L. Parrott.
 Green Bank, J. M. Eavey; one to be supplied.
 Gillett's, M. P. Weikle.
 Hot Springs, W. W. Newberry.

MOOREFIELD DISTRICT.

G. H. Zimmerman, P. E.

Moorefield, D. F. Eutsler.
 Petersburg, C. M. Sarver.
 Franklin, W. M. Waters.
 Crab Bottom, J. W. McNeil.
 Keyser and Cumberland, J. H. Light, S. A. Parker.
 Elk Garden, J. H. Kuhlmann.
 Piedmont, C. F. Moore.
 Frostburg, D. W. Griffin.
 Flintstone, J. H. Schooley.
 Romney, C. Sydenstricker, R. L. Eutsler.
 Springfield, J. W. Mitchell; one to be supplied.
 Slanesville, W. A. Sites.
 Hardy, C. H. Cannon.
 Morgan, L. Hammond.
 Gainsboro, W. W. Watts.
 Wardensville, C. L. Potter.
 Capon Bridge, W. H. Ballengee; one to be supplied.
 Listonburg, D. M. Brown.
 Monterey, W. H. Woolf.
 McDowell, F. M. Totten.

Transferred. — M. B. Chapman, to the Louisville Conference, and stationed at Fourth Avenue; F. E. Hammond, to the Texas Conference, and stationed at Chapel Hill.

BRAZIL MISSION CONFERENCE.

HELD AT RIO DE JANEIRO, JULY 29-AUGUST 4, 1897.

BISHOP GALLOWAY, *President*; J. M. LANDER, *Secretary*.

QUESTION. 1. Who are admitted on trial?

ANSWER. Frank Wiedreheker, José Leonel Lopes. 2.

Ques. 2. Who remain on trial? None.

Ques. 3. Who are discontinued? None.

Ques. 4. Who are admitted into full connection? None.

Ques. 5. Who are readmitted? None.

Ques. 6. Who are received by transfer from other Conferences. None.

Ques. 7. Who are the deacons of one year? Guilherme J. R. da Costa. 1.

Ques. 8. What traveling preachers are elected deacons? None.

Ques. 9. What traveling preachers are ordained deacons? Guilherme J. R. da Costa. 1.

Ques. 10. What local preachers are elected deacons? Frank Wiedreheker. 1.

Ques. 11. What local preachers are ordained deacons? Frank Wiedreheker. 1.

Ques. 12. What traveling preachers are elected elders? W. B. Lee, J. L. Becker. 2.

Ques. 13. What traveling preachers are ordained elders? James Hamilton, Antonio J. de Araujo (Filho), José da Costa Reis, William B. Lee, Jorge L. Becker. 5.

Ques. 14. What local preachers are elected elders? None.

Ques. 15. What local preachers are ordained elders? None.

Ques. 16. Who are located this year? Hermann Gärtner, Manoel de Camargo. 2.

Ques. 17. Who are supernumerary? None.

Ques. 18. Who are superannuated? None.

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

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

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

Rio District.

	Mem- bers.	Loc'l Pr's.
Rio (English Station).....	53	1
Rio (Brazilian Station).....	120	1
Jardin Botânico Circuit.....	31	1

Rio District (Continued).

	Mem- bers.	Loc'l Pr's.
Petropolis Circuit.....	38	1
Palmeiras Circuit.....	92	.....
Barra Mansa Circuit.....	168	.....
Parahyba do Sul Circuit.....	19	.....
	521	4

São Paulo District.

São Paulo Station.....	187	1
Piracicaba Circuit.....	197	.....
Capivary Circuit.....	108	.....
Santa Barbara Circuit.....	54	.....
Taubaté Circuit.....	60	1
Itapeceira Circuit.....	57	.....
	658	2

Juiz de Fóra District.

Juiz de Fóra Circuit.....	204	2
Rio Novo Circuit.....	18	1
Uba Circuit.....	91	.....
São Sebastião de Estrella Circuit.....	89	.....
	402	3

Ribeirão Preto District.

Ribeirão Preto Circuit.....	53	.....
Serra Azul Circuit.....	53	.....
Ubeaba Mission.....	19	.....
	125	.....

Minas District.

Ouro Preto Circuit.....	15	.....
Bello Horizonte Mission.....	8	.....
	23	.....

Recapitulation.

Rio District.....	521	4
São Paulo District.....	658	2
Juiz de Fóra District.....	402	3
Ribeirão Preto District.....	125	.....
Minas District.....	23	.....
Total this year.....	1,729	9
Total last year.....	1,571	9
Increase.....	158	.....

Ques. 22. How many infants have been baptized during the year? 142.

Ques. 23. How many adults have been baptized during the year? 187.

Ques. 24. What is the number of Epworth Leagues? 1.

Ques. 25. What is the number of Epworth League members? 35.

Ques. 26. What is the number of Sunday schools? 29.

Ques. 27. What is the number of Sunday-school teachers? 100.

Ques. 28. What is the number of Sunday-school scholars? 1,043.

Ques. 29. What amount is necessary for the superannuated preachers and the widows and orphans of preachers? 540\$000.

Ques. 30. What has been collected on the foregoing account? and how has it been applied? 329\$620. Applied to claimants.

Ques. 31. What has been contributed for Missions? Foreign Missions, 191\$800; Domestic Missions, 2,400\$000. Total, 2,591\$800.

Ques. 32. What has been contributed for Church Extension? No answer.

Ques. 33. What has been done for the American Bible Society? Collected, 258\$300.

Ques. 34. What has been contributed for the support of presiding elders and preachers in charge? Presiding elders, nothing; preachers in charge, 20,659\$750.

Ques. 35. What has been contributed for the support of bishops? 85\$000.

Ques. 36. What is the number of societies, and the number and estimated value of church edifices? Societies, 28; church edifices, 8; value, 251,351\$900.

Ques. 37. What is the number of pastoral charges, and the number and value of parsonages owned by them? Charges, 23; parsonages, 4; value, 45,000\$000.

Ques. 38. What is the number and value of district parsonages? None.

Ques. 39. What are the educational statistics? Piracicaba: Officers and teachers, 10; students, 123; value of property, 125,000\$000. Mineiro: Officers and teachers, 7; students, 97; value of property, 5,000\$000. Petropolis: Officers and teachers, 8; students, 61; value of property, 200,000\$000. Fluminense: Officers and teachers, 3; students, 32; value of property, 1,000\$000. Granbery: Officers and teachers, 10; students, 68; value of property, 5,000\$000.

Ques. 40. Where shall the next session of the Conference be held? Piracicaba.

Ques. 41. Where are the preachers stationed this year?

RIO DISTRICT.

J. W. Wolling, P. E.

Rio (English Charge), E. A. Tilly.

Rio (Brazilian Charge), J. L. Kennedy.

Jardin Botanico, F. Wiedreheker.

Rio Mission, J. L. Kennedy.

Palmeiras Circuit, to be supplied.

Petropolis Circuit, E. A. Tilly; one to be supplied by A. J. Mello;

Barra Mansa and Parahyba Circuit, A. C. Fonseca.

Espirito Santo Mission, to be supplied.

Agent Methodist Publishing House, J. W. Wolling.

Editor Expositor Christao, J. L. Kennedy.

Agent American Bible Society, H. C. Tucker.

SAO PAULO DISTRICT.

M. Dickie, P. E.

Sao Paulo and Mission, J. C. Reis.

Itapeperica Circuit, M. Dickie.

Piracicaba and Capivary Circuit, G. J. R.

Costa; one to be supplied by V. Gonçalves.

Taubaté Circuit, J. R. Carvalho.

Sao Paulo Italian Mission, M. Dickie.

JUIZ DE FORA DISTRICT.

J. W. Tarboux, P. E.

Juiz de Fora and Rio Novo Circuit, J. W. Tarboux, J. L. Lopes.

Uba Circuit, F. R. Carvalho.

Sao Sebastiao and Cataguazes Circuit, A. J. Araujo, Filho;

Barbacena Circuit, W. B. Lee.

Ouro Preto Circuit, J. E. Tavares.

Bello Horizonte Circuit, R. C. Dickson.

President Granbery College, J. M. Lander.

Professor in Granbery College, W. B. Lee.

Methodist Seminary, J. W. Tarboux, J. M. Lander.

Book Editor, J. W. Tarboux.

Editor Juvenil, J. M. Lander.

Student in Seminary, J. L. Lopes.

Absent in United States on leave, J. L. Bruce.

RIBEIRAO PRETO DISTRICT.

E. E. Joiner, P. E.

Ribeirao Preto Circuit, J. Hamilton.

Serra Azul Circuit, E. E. Joiner.

Ubeaba Circuit, J. L. Becker.

Santa Barbara Circuit, J. Hamilton.

Franca Circuit, to be supplied.

NOTE.—The above values are expressed in milreis: to get the amounts in dollars, divide by 5.

DENVER CONFERENCE.

HELD AT WALSENBURG, COL., AUGUST 5-9, 1897.

BISHOP HENDRIX, *President*; E. EVANS CARRINGTON, *Secretary*.

QUESTION. 1. Who are admitted on trial?
ANSWER. William Spencer Moffett. 1.

Ques. 2. Who remain on trial? None.

Ques. 3. Who are discontinued? Charles M. Brown. 1.

Ques. 4. Who are admitted into full connection? None.

Ques. 5. Who are readmitted? None.

Ques. 6. Who are received by transfer from other Conferences? L. J. Amos, from the Indian Mission Conference; J. H. Ball, from the Western North Carolina Conference; J. D. Wood, from the South-west Missouri Conference. 3.

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

Ques. 8. What traveling preachers are elected deacons? None.

Ques. 9. What traveling preachers are ordained deacons? None.

Ques. 10. What local preachers are elected deacons? William Spencer Moffett. 1.

Ques. 11. What local preachers are ordained deacons? William Spencer Moffett. 1.

Ques. 12. What traveling preachers are elected elders? James H. Ball. 1.

Ques. 13. What traveling preachers are ordained elders? James H. Ball. 1.

Ques. 14. What local preachers are elected elders? None.

Ques. 15. What local preachers are ordained elders? None.

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

Ques. 17. Who are supernumerary? None.

Ques. 18. Who are superannuated? None.

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

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

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

Denver District.

	White Mem's.	Colored Mem's.	Loc'l Pr's.
Denver: St. Paul	129	.....	.....
Morrison Memorial.....	52	.....	.....

Denver District (Continued).

	White Mem's.	Colored Mem's.	Loc'l Pr's.
Colorado Springs.....	83	.....	1
Pueblo: First Church.....	95	.....	1
East Pueblo	25	.....	.....
Altman.....	8	.....	.....
Trinidad.....	112	.....	1
Walsenburg and La Veta.....	121	2	1
Rye and Beulah.....	80	.....	.....
Hoehne Circuit.....	60	.....	.....
Gardner.....	11	.....	.....
	771	2	4

Durango District.

Durango.....	79	.....	.....
Farmington	131	.....	.....
Mancos.....	65	.....	1
Montezuma.....	35	.....	.....
La Plata.....	48	.....	1
	358	.....	2

Recapitulation.

Denver District.....	775	2	4
Durango District.....	358	.....	2
Total this year.....	1,133	2	6
Total last year.....	1,111	.....	9
Increase.....	22	2	.....
Decrease.....	.....	.....	3

Ques. 22. How many infants have been baptized during the year? 44.

Ques. 23. How many adults have been baptized during the year? 37.

Ques. 24. What is the number of Epworth Leagues? 13.

Ques. 25. What is the number of Epworth League members? 283.

Ques. 26. What is the number of Sunday schools? 22.

Ques. 27. What is the number of Sunday-school teachers? 165.

Ques. 28. What is the number of Sunday-school scholars? 1,177.

Ques. 29. What amount is necessary for the superannuated preachers and the widows and orphans of preachers? \$300.

Ques. 30. What has been collected on the foregoing account? and how has it been applied? \$69.55. Applied to claimants.

Ques. 31. What has been contributed for missions? Foreign Missions, \$74.30; Domestic Missions, \$66.75. Total, \$141.05.

Ques. 32. What has been contributed for Church Extension? \$51.95.

Ques. 33. What has been done for the American Bible Society? \$14.60.

Ques. 34. What has been contributed

for the support of presiding elders and preachers in charge? Presiding elders, \$300.95; preachers in charge, \$3,763.70.

Ques. 35. What has been contributed for the support of bishops? \$34.50.

Ques. 36. What is the number of societies, and the number and estimated value of church edifices? Societies, 23; church edifices, 18; value, \$65,100.

Ques. 37. What is the number of pastoral charges, and the number and value of parsonages owned by them? Charges, 15; parsonages, 12; value, \$14,300.

Ques. 38. What is the number and value of district parsonages? None.

Ques. 39. What are the educational statistics? Collected, \$5.95.

Ques. 40. Where shall the next session of the Conference be held? Denver.

Ques. 41. Where are the preachers stationed this year?

DENVER DISTRICT.

M. H. Neely, P. E.

Denver: St. Paul's and Morrison Memorial, J. H. Ledbetter.

Colorado Springs, J. D. Wood.
Pueblo and East Pueblo, E. Evans Car-
rington.

Rye and Beulah, C. E. Butler.
Walsenburg and Rouse, R. E. Nunn.
La Veta, L. J. Amos.

Hoehne and Auguilar, W. L. Airheart.
Trinidad, J. H. Ball.
Altman, J. M. Bray.

Saguache and Villa Grove, W. S. Moffett.
Gardner, A. H. Quillian.

DURANGO DISTRICT.

W. H. Howard, P. E.

Durango, C. M. Cooper.
Mancos, W. H. Howard.
La Plata Circuit, to be supplied by Hugh
Griffin.
Farmington and Flora Vista, F. M. Roper.
Montezuma and Dolores, to be supplied.

Transferred.—J. B. Wood, to the North
Texas Conference; A. B. Donaldson, to the
Southwest Missouri Conference.

MONTANA CONFERENCE.

HELD AT BOZEMAN, MONT., AUGUST 12-16, 1897.

BISHOP HARGROVE, *President*; W. T. GOULDER, *Secretary*.

QUESTION. 1. Who are admitted on trial?
ANSWER. Andrew A. Walker, Alexander
B. Sanderson. 2.

Ques. 2. Who remain on trial? None.

Ques. 3. Who are discontinued? None.

Ques. 4. Who are admitted into full con-
nection? William G. Forbis, I. Robert
Hubbs. 2.

Ques. 5. Who are readmitted? None.

Ques. 6. Who are received by transfer
from other Conferences? I. Robert
Hubbs, from the Memphis Conference;
Bernard Pos, from the Louisville Confer-
ence. 2.

Ques. 7. Who are the deacons of one
year? W. G. Forbis, Bernard Pos. 2.

Ques. 8. What traveling preachers are
elected deacons? I. Robert Hubbs. 1.

Ques. 9. What traveling preachers are
ordained deacons? I. Robert Hubbs. 1.

Ques. 10. What local preachers are elect-
ed deacons? None.

Ques. 11. What local preachers are or-
dained deacons? None.

Ques. 12. What traveling preachers are
elected elders? None.

Ques. 13. What traveling preachers are
ordained elders? None.

Ques. 14. What local preachers are elect-
ed elders? None.

Ques. 15. What local preachers are or-
dained elders? None.

Ques. 16. Who are located this year?
M. H. Kauffman, John D. Wassen. 2.

Ques. 17. Who are supernumerary? T.
W. Flowers. 1.

Ques. 18. Who are superannuated? R.
S. Clark. 1.

Ques. 19. What preachers have died dur-
ing the past year? None.

Ques. 20. Are all the preachers blame-
less in their life and official administra-
tion? Their names were called over, one
by one, and their characters examined and
passed.

Ques. 21. What is the number of local
preachers and members in the several cir-
cuits, stations, and missions of the Con-
ference?

Helena District.

	White Men's	Colored Mem's	Loc'l Pr's
Helena.....	94	.....	.....
East Helena.....	23	.....	.....
Boulder.....	53	.....	.....

Helena District (Continued).

	White Mem's.	Colored Mem's.	Loc'l Pr's.
Townsend.....	56	.....	.....
Bozeman.....	87	.....	.....
Belgrade.....	71	.....	1
Butte.....	127	.....	.....
Deer Lodge.....	61	2	.....
Willow Creek.....	63	.....	.....
Shields River.....	64	1	1
	700	1	2

Bitter Root District.

Stevensville.....	132	.....	1
Corvallis and Victor.....	108	.....	1
Hamilton.....	34	.....	.....
Upper Bitter Root.....	5	.....	.....
	279	.....	2

Recapitulation.

Helena District.....	700	3	2
Bitter Root District.....	279	.....	2
Total this year.....	979	3	4
Total last year.....	945	.....	4
Increase.....	34	1	.....

Ques. 22. How many infants have been baptized during the year? 31.

Ques. 23. How many adults have been baptized during the year? 39.

Ques. 24. What is the number of Epworth Leagues? 7.

Ques. 25. What is the number of Epworth League members? 188.

Ques. 26. What is the number of Sunday schools? 23.

Ques. 27. What is the number of Sunday-school teachers? 151.

Ques. 28. What is the number of Sunday-school scholars? 1,197.

Ques. 29. What amount is necessary for the superannuated preachers and the widows and orphans of preachers? \$200.

Ques. 30. What has been collected on the foregoing account? and how has it been applied? \$20: Applied to claimant.

Ques. 31. What has been contributed for Missions? Foreign Missions, \$400; Domestic Missions, \$220.65. Total, \$620.65.

Ques. 32. What has been contributed for Church Extension? \$200.

Ques. 33. What has been done for the American Bible Society? Collected, \$15.25.

Ques. 34. What has been contributed for the support of presiding elders and preachers in charge? Presiding elders, \$574.82; preachers in charge, \$4,024.

Ques. 35. What has been contributed for the support of bishops? \$80.40.

Ques. 36. What is the number of societies, and the number and estimated value of church edifices? Societies, 23; church edifices, 17; value, \$46,700.

Ques. 37. What is the number of pastoral charges, and the number and value of parsonages owned by them? Charges, 14; parsonages, 11; value, \$15,600.

Ques. 38. What is the number and value of district parsonages? Number, 1; value, \$1,600.

Ques. 39. What are the educational statistics? Collected, \$9.65.

Ques. 40. Where shall the next session of the Conference be held? Butte, Mont.

Ques. 41. Where are the preachers stationed this year?

HELENA DISTRICT.

S. B. Tabor, P. E.

Helena, D. B. Price.
 East Helena, B. E. H. Warren.
 Boulder, to be supplied.
 Townsend, W. T. Goulder.
 Bozeman, L. Bramble.
 Belgrade, A. A. Walker.
 Willow Creek, A. B. Sanderson.
 Butte, R. H. Shaeffer.
 White Hall, to be supplied.
 Deer Lodge, E. L. Lec.
 Shields River, W. G. Forbis.
 Big Elk, to be supplied.
 Missionary Secretary, J. H. Shelton.

BITTER ROOT DISTRICT.

W. H. Kincaid, P. E.

Stevensville, W. H. Kincaid.
 Corvallis and Victor, I. R. Hubbs.
 Hamilton, Bernard Pos.
 Upper Bitter Root, E. J. Stanley.

Transferred.—J. E. Squires, to the Pacific Conference.

WESTERN CONFERENCE.

HELD AT COUNCIL GROVE, KANS., AUGUST 25-29, 1897.

BISHOP FITZGERALD, *President*; W. H. COMER, *Secretary*.

QUESTION. 1. Who are admitted on trial?
ANSWER. None.

Ques. 2. Who remain on trial? W. R. Vaughan, F. D. Roberson. 2.

Ques. 3. Who are discontinued? None.

Ques. 4. Who are admitted into full connection? W. D. Martin, J. H. Cleaves. 2.

Ques. 5. Who are readmitted? None.

Ques. 6. Who are received by transfer from other Conferences? A. S. Cook, from the Indian Mission Conference. 1.

Ques. 7. Who are the deacons of one year? J. L. Miller, H. T. Miller. 2.

Ques. 8. What traveling preachers are elected deacons? W. D. Martin, J. H. Cleaves. 2.

Ques. 9. What traveling preachers are ordained deacons? J. H. Cleaves, W. D. Martin. 2.

Ques. 10. What local preachers are elected deacons? None.

Ques. 11. What local preachers are ordained deacons? None.

Ques. 12. What traveling preachers are elected elders? R. U. Waldraven, J. E. Owen, D. R. McBee. 3.

Ques. 13. What traveling preachers are ordained elders? R. U. Waldraven, J. E. Owen, D. R. McBee. 3.

Ques. 14. What local preachers are elected elders? None.

Ques. 15. What local preachers are ordained elders? None.

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

Ques. 17. Who are supernumerary? None.

Ques. 18. Who are superannuated? Charles Boles, J. Tillery. 2.

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

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

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

Atchison District.

	Mem- bers.	Loc Pr's.
Atchison Station.....	214	3
Effingham Circuit.....	216	.....
Holton Circuit.....	223	1

Atchison District (Continued).

	Mem- bers.	Loc Pr's.
Waterville Circuit.....	145	1
Fairmount Circuit.....	164	.....
Troy and Everest Circuit.....	95	1
Julian Circuit.....	114	1
Kickapoo Circuit.....	204	.....
Oskaloosa Circuit.....	128	1
Wyandotte Circuit.....	101	1
Kansas City Station.....	254	2
Rosedale.....	14	2
Rulo and Borada.....	6	1
	2,054	14

Council Grove District.

Council Grove Station.....	148	.....
Kelso.....	76	1
Elk City.....	123	.....
Bronson.....	36	1
Atlanta.....	87	.....
Wellington.....	138	1
Mt. Hope.....	26	.....
Augusta.....	129	.....
Arkansas City.....	106	1
Bucyrus and Stillwell.....	162	.....
Hillsdale.....	181	.....
Howard.....	11	.....
Sherwin.....	41	.....
	1,274	4

Recapitulation.

Atchison District.....	2,054	14
Council Grove District.....	1,270	4
Total this year.....	3,324	18
Total last year.....	3,305	18
Increase.....	19	.....

Ques. 22. How many infants have been baptized during the year? 109.

Ques. 23. How many adults have been baptized during the year? 209.

Ques. 24. What is the number of Epworth Leagues? 30.

Ques. 25. What is the number of Epworth League members? 956.

Ques. 26. What is the number of Sunday schools? 48.

Ques. 27. What is the number of Sunday-school teachers? 405.

Ques. 28. What is the number of Sunday-school scholars? 2,589.

Ques. 29. What amount is necessary for the superannuated preachers and the widows and orphans of preachers? \$445.

Ques. 30. What has been collected on the foregoing account? and how has it been applied? \$160. Applied to claimants.

Ques. 31. What has been contributed for Missions? Foreign Missions, \$639.14; Domestic Missions, \$221.95. Total, \$861.09.

Ques. 32. What has been contributed for Church Extension? \$180.70.

Ques. 33. What has been done for the American Bible Society? \$17.80.

Ques. 34. What has been contributed for the support of presiding elders and preachers in charge? Presiding elders, \$1,024; preachers in charge, \$8,125.

Ques. 35. What has been contributed for the support of bishops? \$136.60.

Ques. 36. What is the number of societies, and the number and estimated value of church edifices? Societies, 58; church edifices, 50; value, \$98,950.

Ques. 37. What is the number of pastoral charges, and the number and value of parsonages owned by them? Charges, 26; parsonages, 21; value, \$18,125.

Ques. 38. What is the number and value of district parsonages? None.

Ques. 39. What are the educational statistics? Collected, \$71.55.

Ques. 40. Where shall the next session of the Conference be held? Kansas City, Kans.

Ques. 41. Where are the preachers stationed this year?

ATCHISON DISTRICT.

F. A. White, P. E.

Atchison Station, W. D. Kelley.

Effingham, J. L. Sells.

Holton, A. S. Cook.

Waterville, to be supplied.

Fairmount, D. E. Bundy.

Troy and Everest, to be supplied.

Rulo and Borada, to be supplied by J. D.

Harris, Jr.

Julian, J. H. Cleaves.

Kickapoo, H. I. Miller.

Potter, W. D. Martin.

Oskaloosa, to be supplied by W. H. H.

Young.

Wyandotte, J. H. Torbett.

Kansas City, W. H. Comer.

Rosedale, R. U. Waldraven.

COUNCIL GROVE DISTRICT.

H. D. Hogan, P. E.

Council Grove, J. W. Payne.

Kelso, L. A. Blevans.

Elk City, J. E. Owen.

Bronson, to be supplied.

Atlanta, to be supplied by H. K. Monroe.

Wellington, D. R. McBee.

Augusta, T. C. Downs.

Sherwin, F. D. Roberson.

Arkansas City, J. W. Faubion.

Bucyrus and Stillwell, J. L. Miller.

Hillsdale, C. W. Thorp.

Student in Vanderbilt University, W. R.

Vaughan.

Transferred.—W. P. Owens, to the Missouri Conference.

EAST COLUMBIA CONFERENCE.

HELD AT OAKESDALE, WASH., AUGUST 26-30, 1897.

BISHOP HARGROVE, *President*; J. W. COMPTON, *Secretary*.

QUESTION. 1. Who are admitted on trial?

ANSWER. William B. Gray, William O. Miller, Daniel E. Vernon. 3.

Ques. 2. Who remain on trial? Charles T. McPherson. 1.

Ques. 3. Who are discontinued? None.

Ques. 4. Who are admitted into full connection? Charles R. Howard, Robert C. Michael. 2.

Ques. 5. Who are readmitted? None.

Ques. 6. Who are received by transfer from other Conferences? Charles T. McPherson. 1.

Ques. 7. Who are the deacons of one year? J. G. Carrick. 1.

Ques. 8. What traveling preachers are elected deacons? C. R. Howard. 1.

Ques. 9. What traveling preachers are ordained deacons? C. R. Howard. 1.

Ques. 10. What local preachers are elected deacons? None.

Ques. 11. What local preachers are ordained deacons? None.

Ques. 12. What traveling preachers are elected elders? C. C. Eagle. 1.

Ques. 13. What traveling preachers are ordained elders? Crawford C. Eagle. 1.

Ques. 14. What local preachers are elected elders? Albert Anderson. 1.

Ques. 15. What local preachers are ordained elders? Albert Anderson. 1.

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

Ques. 17. Who are supernumerary? None.

Ques. 18. Who are superannuated? None.

Ques. 19. What preachers have died dur-

ing the past year? William M. Fancher. 1.

WILLIAM MARTIN FANCHER was born in Mason, Mississippi, November 3, 1830. He made a profession of religion and joined the Baptist Church when about eighteen years of age. Seven years later he entered the ministry in said Church, in which he was ordained elder and preached for many years. Of the greater part of his life we have but little knowledge, it having been spent probably in the states of Mississippi and Louisiana. We learn that he served as chaplain in the Confederate army during the civil war. About 1870 he came to the northwest and settled in Idaho, where for several years he was engaged in secular employments. This course proved a snare to him, as is usually the case when ministers of the gospel leave their high calling for secular pursuits. He backslid in his religious life. From this sad state he was reclaimed when alone amid the hills of the Snake River. He turned in penitence and cried for mercy to the God who piled up those huge rocks and mountains about him. Being restored to his first love, he immediately sought his former and loved employment by reëntering the ministry. The Methodist Episcopal Church being the only Church at work in that region, he joined her ranks, and became a member of the Idaho Conference, in which he served as a regular itinerant about seven years. In 1890 he came in contact, for the first time in the northwest, with the Methodist Episcopal Church, South. This being really the Church of his choice, he entered the East Columbia Conference in 1892, and continued a faithful, self-sacrificing minister until called from labor to reward by the Master, March 18, 1897. Brother Fancher served the following charges in our Conference: Summerville, one year; Weston, two years; Walla Walla, two years and six months. He was a man of athletic frame, a vigorous mind, bold, fearless, and determined, always ready to drive away erroneous and strange doctrines. He was a close student of men and books, a strong preacher, and a faithful pastor. Brother Fancher had many sterling qualities which endeared him very much to preachers and people. He leaves a widow and five children to mourn his departure. While we, as a Conference, mourn the loss of our departed brother Fancher, we pray the great Head of the Church that his place may be supplied among us, and that we may emulate his virtues. "Servant of God, well done; rest from thy loved employ."

R. C. OGLESBY was not a member of this Annual Conference, yet he was one of us, and contributed largely by his labors and influence to the work out of which it has grown. We remember and appreciate those labors and his self-sacrificing devotion to the

Church and to God. As a father in the gospel, as a brother, as a friend, his memory still lives among us, an inspiration to noble deeds, to a brighter, purer manhood. Our association with him is one of the brightest gems in memory's casket; and one of our sweetest hopes of heaven is to sit down with him beneath the tree of life, look down on a redeemed earth, and speak of our troubles and triumphs in the battle of life for our risen Lord. To know him was to love him. The grand old soldier of the cross is at rest; but the loss is ours. We extend to sister Oglesby and family our heartfelt sympathy, and with them meekly bow to the will of Him who "doeth all things well."

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

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

Spokane District.

	Mem- bers.	Loc'l Pr's.
Spokane Station.....	87	3
Genesee Station.....	52	1
Palouse and Moscow Circuit.....	139	4
Lewiston Circuit.....	25	1
Vollmer Circuit.....	89	.....
Rockford and Mica Circuit.....	56	.....
Edwall Circuit.....	40	1
Oakdale Circuit.....	63	.....
Nez Perce Circuit.....	41	.....
Leland Circuit.....	38	1
Wilbur Circuit.....	87	1
	694	12

Pendleton District.

Pendleton Station.....	87	2
Dayton Station.....	86	.....
Weston and Milton Station.....	65	2
Heppner Station.....	106	2
Walla Walla Station.....	48	.....
Covello and Waitsburg Circuit.....	93	1
Umatilla Circuit.....	51	1
	542	8

Five Rivers District.

Summerville Circuit.....	58	1
Eagle and Pine Circuit.....	75	2
Baker City Circuit.....	70	2
La Grande and Moss Chapel Circuit.....	38	1
Boise Circuit.....	190	1
	431	7

Recapitulation.

Spokane District.....	694	12
Pendleton District.....	542	8
Five Rivers District.....	431	7
Total this year.....	1,667	27
Total last year.....	1,789	31
Decrease.....	122	4

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

Ques. 23. How many adults have been baptized during the year? 34.

Ques. 24. What is the number of Epworth Leagues? 10.

Ques. 25. What is the number of Epworth League members? 313.

Ques. 26. What is the number of Sunday schools? 29.

Ques. 27. What is the number of Sunday-school teachers? 203.

Ques. 28. What is the number of Sunday-school scholars? 1,437.

Ques. 29. What amount is necessary for the superannuated preachers and the widows and orphans of preachers? \$100.

Ques. 30. What has been collected on the foregoing account? and how has it been applied? \$60.82. Applied to claimant.

Ques. 31. What has been contributed for Missions? Foreign Missions, \$233.83; Domestic Missions, \$115.86. Total, \$349.74.

Ques. 32. What has been contributed for Church Extension? \$67.61.

Ques. 33. What has been done for the American Bible Society? \$7.47.

Ques. 34. What has been contributed for the support of presiding elders and preachers in charge? Presiding elders, \$602.18; preachers in charge, \$3,661.30.

Ques. 35. What has been contributed for the support of bishops? \$30.15.

Ques. 36. What is the number of societies, and the number and estimated value of church edifices? Societies, 41; church edifices, 25½; value, \$46,050.

Ques. 37. What is the number of pastoral charges, and the number and value of parsonages owned by them? Charges, 23; parsonages, 13; value, \$7,800.

Ques. 38. What is the number and value of district parsonages? None.

Ques. 39. What are the educational statistics? Collected, \$7.06.

Ques. 40. Where shall the next session of the Conference be held? La Grande, Ore.

Ques. 41. Where are the preachers stationed this year?

SPOKANE AND PENDLETON DISTRICT.

G. H. Gibbs, P. E.

Spokane: Hargrove Church, to be supplied by A. M. Pierce.

City Mission, to be supplied.

Oakesdale Circuit, J. G. Carrick.

Palouse and Moscow, M. V. Hubbard.

Rockford and Mica, to be supplied by A. Anderson.

Genesee Station, C. T. McPherson.

Wilbur Circuit, D. E. Vernon.

Vollmer Circuit, J. W. Compton.

Nez Perce Circuit, S. W. Davies.

Leeland Circuit, William O. Miller.

Walla and Milton, A. Y. Skee.

Dayton Station, Reg. B. Swift.

Heppner Station, C. R. Howard.

Pendleton Station, to be supplied by S. B. Wiggins.

Rhea Creek Circuit, to be supplied.

Umatilla Circuit, to be supplied by S. E. Crow.

Covello and Waitsburg Circuit, William B. Gray.

Weston Circuit, F. C. Adkins.

Edwall Circuit, to be supplied.

Conference Missionary Secretary, A. Y. Skee.

FIVE RIVERS DISTRICT.

C. C. Eagle, P. E.

La Grande and Moss Chapel, to be supplied by J. C. Thomas.

Summerville Circuit, R. C. Michael.

Baker City Circuit, C. C. Eagle.

Eagle and Pine Circuit, E. G. Michael.

Boise Circuit, to be supplied.

Malheur Circuit, Michael Larkin.

Grande Ronde, to be supplied by S. R. James.

MISSOURI CONFERENCE.

HELD AT ALBANY, MO., SEPTEMBER 1-6, 1897.

BISHOP FITZGERALD, *President*; JOHN D. VINCIL, *Secretary*.

QUESTION 1. Who are admitted on trial?
ANSWER. John W. Kimbrell, James L. Roberts, John W. Tanquary, W. L. Scarborough, James M. Bone, C. J. Chapell. 6.

Ques. 2. Who remain on trial? G. A. Lehnhoff, John T. Gose, R. T. Kerlin, J. R. McMurry, E. C. Morgan, John A. Keller, T. P. Middleton, S. W. Johnson, J. H. Bishop. 9.

Ques. 3. Who are discontinued? L. C. Hall. 1.

Ques. 4. Who are admitted into full connection? V. O. White, J. R. Campbell, T. A. Allison, H. A. Whiteside, C. F. Wimberly, W. D. Neal, W. A. Chapman, N. F. Mathews, C. B. Campbell, L. N. Wagner. 10.

Ques. 5. Who are readmitted? None.

Ques. 6. Who are received by transfer from other Conferences? J. R. Campbell, T. B. Reagan, E. C. McVoy. 3.

Ques. 7. Who are the deacons of one year? L. F. Parker, R. Wilkerson, M. C. Hardin, W. T. Whitesides, T. S. Wheeler, E. C. Swan, J. A. Mitchell, S. E. Bottsford, T. R. Gray, Robert McElvoy, L. C. Maggart, C. O. Ransford. 12.

Ques. 8. What traveling preachers are elected deacons? C. F. Wimberly, N. F. Matthews, L. N. Wagner, C. B. Campbell. 4.

Ques. 9. What traveling preachers are ordained deacons? C. F. Wimberly, N. F. Matthews, L. N. Wagner, C. B. Campbell. 4.

Ques. 10. What local preachers are elected deacons? G. H. Ackley, William Court, J. E. Fisher, J. L. Proffitt, F. M. Dykes, G. W. Trotter, W. E. Goodwin, J. M. Callahan, W. F. Cary, J. P. Beery, E. C. Morgan. 11.

Ques. 11. What local preachers are ordained deacons? G. H. Ackley, William Court, J. E. Fisher, J. L. Proffitt, F. M. Dykes, G. W. Trotter, W. E. Goodwin, J. M. Callahan, W. F. Cary, J. P. Beery, E. C. Morgan. 11.

Ques. 12. What traveling preachers are elected elders? J. L. Weatherford, E. L. Kendrick. 2.

Ques. 13. What traveling preachers are ordained elders? J. L. Weatherford, E. L. Kendrick. 2.

Ques. 14. What local preachers are elected elders? None.

Ques. 15. What local preachers are ordained elders? None.

Ques. 16. Who are located this year? E. L. Kendrick, J. H. Hagar, G. W. Wright, J. T. Moreman, J. M. Rodgers, L. W. Jones. 6.

Ques. 17. Who are supernumerary? W. H. Younger, W. F. Bell, T. G. Petree, D. C. O'Howell, W. M. Wainright, J. T. Kimsey. 6.

Ques. 18. Who are superannuated? Charles Babcock, C. W. Collett, S. W. Atterberry, W. H. Lewis, Daniel Penny, C. I. Vandeventer, D. R. Shackelford, J. D. Houston, S. W. Cope, W. E. Dockery, R. A. Austin, J. L. Gilbert, E. Carlyle, W. W. McMurry, J. S. Todd, T. R. Kendall, T. D. Sherman. 17.

Ques. 19. What preachers have died during the past year? B. W. Fielder, David McAllen. 2.

DAVID McALLEN was born in a small town of Airshire, Scotland, on January 8, 1869. When he was but one year old his father came with his family to America and settled in New York City. David attended the public schools in the city until he was ten or eleven years of age. He served as an office boy in a number of places till the age of fifteen. During the summer of 1889 he met with a very serious accident, and was taken to the Trinity Hospital in New York City, where he remained for several weeks, and there underwent a very severe surgical operation. In September of that year he came to Harrison county, Mo., and at a meeting conducted by the Rev. J. C. Kindred, in March, 1890, was graciously converted, and united with the Methodist Episcopal Church, South. He felt called to the ministry, and, readily yielding to the call of God, was licensed to preach, and was received on trial into the Missouri Annual Conference of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, in September, 1890. He was appointed to the Jameson Circuit, as junior preacher to the Rev. S. S. Hardin. The following year he was appointed to the Edinburg Circuit, which he served for two years with great success. In 1893 he was appointed to Jamesport Station, where he remained for two years, establishing the young station in strength and spiritual vigor, and himself daily reveal-

ing the Christ life consistently and lovingly. The latter part of his last year at Jamesport he visited France, Belgium, and the British Isles. He was appointed to Albany Station in 1895, which he served with marked acceptability, and was reappointed for the second year. He was ordained deacon by Bishop Galloway, at Montgomery City, in 1892; and elder by Bishop Duncan, at the Gallatin District Conference in April, 1896. In the summer of 1896 he was appointed Financial Agent for the Northwest Missouri College, and in about two months' time raised nearly \$2,000. His heart was in his work, and all his service for Christ was marked by a passionate enthusiasm that carried all before it. So versatile a nature may be considered from many sides. We notice him as a student and thinker. Beginning his ministerial life with only a common-school education, he studied so earnestly, thought so deeply, felt so keenly, and his reading was so well chosen, that in a short time he had at his command a vast fund of information. Quickly getting at the purpose and meaning of an author, he soon felt the ennobling companionship of the eminent and good as their printed thoughts revealed them to him. He read, not to glory in his erudition, not to repeat an author's thought, but in order that he himself might be stimulated to think. And that he did think independently, vigorously, and helpfully, was manifest to all who met him. His mind was of so practical and sensible a fiber that his seniors were frequently impelled to look to him for suggestion. Cherishing the highest ideals, he sought to make those ideals winning to everyone with whom he came in contact. As a preacher he was earnest, fervent, and dauntless. Although endowed with much personal magnetism, he never relied upon that, but thought out in advance the substance of that which he was to deliver. His preparation was thorough and conscientious. Gifted with a gentle humility, he never ventured to offer from the pulpit less than the best that was in him for the Master's use. His diction was chaste and simple, his soft, musical voice under complete control. He provoked thought and awakened sleeping consciences. He made men put faith in his belief. Brave and unwavering, he had no compromise with sin in any form, but fearlessly spoke the truth as he lived the truth. He studied his people and adapted his message to their needs, feeding both the cultivated and the unlettered with that spiritual food which he made each hunger for. As a pastor he was particularly successful. Every child loved him, and every aged one leaned on him. He had special care for his young converts, giving them employment and

encouragement. He was a peacemaker, and in quiet, unseen ways went about doing good. Loving his fellow-men, seeking the lost and discouraged, sympathizing with the poor and the tempted, in touch with all in their joys or their difficulties, he was a true pastor, alive and responsible to every need. He called upon business men at their store, or office, or shop, and won them to himself by his personal interest in them. He was equally at home in the cottage of the poor and in the house of the rich, for the Christ life was so clear in him that he could adapt himself to all conditions and stations. He spent his strength lavishly in service to others. His clear, sweet voice, with that peculiar, thrilling, pathetic quiver in it that seemed to come straight from the heart, was often heard at bedsides of suffering and pain, soothing hurt nerves after words and medicines had lost their power. He gave himself freely for his fellow-men. We who knew him well, and lived for two years under the inspiration of his ministry, feel like bringing praises for the helpfulness of his beautiful Christian character, and we want to offer thanksgiving that in the providence of God it touched our own life like a benediction. On the third day of November, 1896, he fell asleep in Jesus. His going away was brightened by the same confiding, joyous consciousness of the Saviour's presence that he had felt all through his life as a Christian. Hopeful, sunshiny, genial, uncomplaining he was to the very last. In triumphant faith he was tenderly gathered into the Everlasting Arms.

BOYD WARD FIELDER was born in Grayson county, Va., March 4, 1855. His grandparents were among the pioneers who established Methodism in this then sparsely settled territory. His grandfather, Dennis Fielder, did honorable service for the cause of American independence, and in consideration of that service our brother Fielder was a regularly enrolled member of the "Sons of the American Revolution," and served for some time as chaplain of that order. It was the desire of his mother's heart that the Lord might call him into the ministry of the gospel, but as he grew up the medical profession attracted him, and he determined to prepare himself and make this his life work. With this end in view, he attended the high schools in his own county to prepare himself for a course in college. When about seventeen years old his work was arrested by a severe illness, in which his life was despaired of by his physicians. This prepared him to hear the voice of God, and the impression came with mighty force that he was wanted as an ambassador for Christ, and that if he

would surrender his will and consent to take up this work he would recover. After a great struggle, he submitted, and to the astonishment of all was restored to health. Not long after this he attended a camp meeting at the Old Cripple Creek Camp Ground, not far from his father's home, and while listening to a sermon preached by Dr. G. C. Rankin, he was deeply convicted, and went forward as a penitent. He was not entirely satisfied at the conclusion of the service, but continued to seek for light, until finally on the evening of December 21, 1875, at "Ebenezer," the old home church, he was happily and powerfully converted. He was licensed to exhort at Lebanon church, on Elk Creek Circuit, March 18, 1876, and authorized to preach at the same place March 30, 1878. He was admitted on trial into the Holston Conference at Abingdon, Va., October 23, 1879, and admitted into full connection at Wytheville, Va., and ordained deacon by Bishop McTyeire, October 30, 1881. For nine years he labored in this Conference, serving both circuits and stations, part of the time supplying a work convenient and attending Emory and Henry College. At the solicitation of two of the bishops, he was transferred from Holston Conference in 1888 and stationed at Atchison in the Western Conference. He continued in charge here two years, completing the new church that had been projected some time before. In the fall of 1890 he was transferred by Bishop Key to the Missouri Conference and stationed at Monroe City. Here his labors were eminently successful. At the close of a two years' pastorate he had a new church building well under way and almost money enough subscribed to finish it. From this he went to Hannibal, Park Church, for two years; then to Fayette one year; Louisiana one year; and his last appointment was to Moberly. Brother Fielder's was no ordinary mind. He was so simple and unpretentious, and was so deficient in physical force, that he had to be seen in print before his mental qualities could be fully appreciated. His contributions to *The Methodist Review* and to our weekly papers were thoughtful, expressed in the most chaste and elegant English, and pervaded with the sweetness of the gospel spirit. His highly strung nervous system would not allow him to tie himself down to a rigid system of close, consecutive study of books, yet he was a diligent, wide-awake student of nature, men, and books. Nature had a great charm for him. He was always ready for a ramble in the woods and fields. In natural history and botany his reading and research were extensive. Birds and animals, flowers and trees, had always a wonderful attraction for him. In his ear-

lier ministry he wrote all his sermons with great pains and then delivered them *memoriter*. Later in his ministry he abandoned this method of delivery and gave himself larger liberty; but his sermons were always carefully wrought out, and the parts adjusted with the skill of an artist. The Rev. George R. Stuart once said to him after hearing him preach: "Fielder, I have one objection to your sermons: they are faultily faultless." Often his sermons were not duly appreciated because of his lack of physical force, but the thoughtful and devout always found food for thought and inspiration to nobler living in his preaching. His Christian life was marked by evenness and gentleness. Not being of a demonstrative nature, there were no unusual outbursts of enthusiasm, and there was no sinking into despair or loss of hope. No man was freer from worldly ambition than he was. While he was anxious to fill creditably and satisfactorily the place assigned him by the bishop, and was sensitive to any criticism of his work, yet wherever he was sent he went cheerfully, and felt himself honored by the Lord and the Conference. At our last session of the Missouri Conference he was sent to Moberly, and at once went to his new field and began his work. At the first Sunday morning service, while he was on his knees making the opening prayer, he had a stroke of paralysis, and after a brief illness died September 22, 1896. His body was laid to rest in the cemetery at Monroe City, while his spirit is enjoying the reward of "patient endurance in well-doing." In 1883 he was married to Miss Elizabeth Davis, of Wytheville, Va., who proved in every way a worthy helpmeet of a noble husband. With her three children she now sadly but bravely takes up the duties and responsibilities of life, relying upon Him who said, "I will never leave thee, nor forsake thee."

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

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

Plattsburg District.

	White Mem's	Colored Mem's	Missions
Excelsior Springs	27	.....	.....
Plattsburg Station	23	.....	1
Richmond Station	511	1	1
Cameron Station	164	.....	.....
Hardin Station	181	.....	1
Lawson Station	198	.....	1
Liberty Station	72	.....	.....

Plattsburg District (Continued).

	White Mem's.	Colored Mem's.	Loc'l Pr's.
Kearney Station.....	216	.....	.....
Platte City and Weston Circuit.....	235	.....	.....
Osborne Circuit.....	233	.....	1
Richmond Circuit.....	238	.....	1
Millville Circuit.....	382	.....	2
Edgerton Circuit.....	500	.....	3
Polo Circuit.....	360	.....	1
Parkville Circuit.....	270	.....	1
Kingston Circuit.....	142	.....	1
Cowgill Circuit.....	150	.....	.....
Camden Circuit.....	231	.....	2
Lathrop Circuit.....	255	.....	1 2
Grayson Circuit.....	261	.....	2
	5,101	2	20

Fayette District.

Fayette Station.....	604	.....	8
Columbia Station.....	505	.....	1
Glasgow Station.....	266	.....	3
Huntsville Station.....	217	.....	1
Salisbury Station.....	201	.....	1
Fayette Circuit.....	246	.....	.....
Glasgow Circuit.....	278	.....	.....
Keytesville Circuit.....	242	.....	1
Prairie Hill Circuit.....	295	.....	.....
Clifton Circuit.....	348	.....	.....
Armstrong Circuit.....	348	.....	.....
Higbee Circuit.....	364	.....	2
New Franklin Circuit.....	356	.....	1
Rocheport Circuit.....	386	.....	2
Ashland Circuit.....	375	.....	1
Dalton Circuit.....	270	.....	1
	5,211	.....	22

Chillicothe District.

Chillicothe Station.....	434	.....	1
Carrollton Station.....	330	.....	1
Brunswick Station.....	245	.....	.....
Norborne Station.....	159	.....	2
Chillicothe Circuit.....	435	.....	2
Norborne Circuit.....	377	.....	1
Hale Circuit.....	293	.....	.....
De Witt and Pleasant Park Circuit.....	205	.....	.....
Wakanda Circuit.....	185	.....	2
Triplet Circuit.....	368	.....	.....
Humphreys Circuit.....	200	.....	1 3
Linnens Circuit.....	463	.....	1
Milan Circuit.....	191	.....	.....
Greencastle Circuit.....	105	.....	1
Harris Circuit.....	153	.....	.....
Browning Circuit.....	210	.....	2
Bogard Circuit.....	394	.....	1 2
Braymer Circuit.....	241	.....	3
	5,038	2	21

St. Joseph District.

St. Joseph: Frances St. Station.....	545	1	1
Hundley Station.....	298	.....	1
Olive Street Station.....	232	.....	3
Centenary Station.....	231	.....	3
Maryville Station.....	174	.....	.....
Savannah Station.....	95	1	1
Gooding and Spruce.....	190	.....	.....
St. Joseph Circuit.....	310	.....	.....
Dearborn Circuit.....	375	.....	2
Rushville Circuit.....	194	.....	1
Hamburg Circuit.....	180	5	1
Fairfax Circuit.....	311	.....	.....
Mound City Circuit.....	100	.....	.....
Forest City Circuit.....	121	.....	.....
Craig Circuit.....	124	.....	1
Skidmore Circuit.....	218	.....	.....
Elmo Circuit.....	103	.....	.....
Barnard Circuit.....	172	.....	.....
Guilford Circuit.....	176	.....	.....
Savannah Circuit.....	159	.....	1
Wilcox Circuit.....	120	.....	1
	4,518	7	16

Hannibal District.

	White Mem's.	Colored Mem's.	Loc'l Pr's.
Hannibal: Park Station.....	400	.....	.....
Arch Street Station.....	217	.....	.....
Palmyra Station.....	270	.....	1
Monroe City Station.....	339	.....	2
Canton Station.....	253	.....	.....
Kaloka and Gorin Circuit.....	136	.....	.....
Palmyra Circuit.....	314	.....	1
La Belle Circuit.....	417	1	1
New London and Oakwood Circuit.....	159	.....	.....
Lewiston Circuit.....	213	.....	.....
Monroe City Circuit.....	228	.....	.....
Shelbyville Circuit.....	499	.....	1
Novelty Circuit.....	197	.....	.....
Hunnewell Circuit.....	352	.....	.....
Wayland Circuit.....	230	.....	.....
Monticello Circuit.....	495	2	.....
Saverton Circuit.....	120	.....	1
Rutledge Circuit.....	193	.....	1
Maywood Circuit.....	389	.....	.....
	5,325	3	8

Macon District.

Macon Station.....	242	.....	.....
Shelbina Station.....	360	.....	1
Kirksville Station.....	184	.....	.....
Brookfield Station.....	143	.....	.....
Memphis Station.....	174	.....	.....
Queen City Circuit.....	199	.....	1
Edina Circuit.....	199	.....	1
Brashear Circuit.....	215	.....	.....
La Plata Circuit.....	243	.....	3
Atlanta Circuit.....	255	.....	2
Marceline and Bucklin Circuit.....	212	.....	2
Callao Circuit.....	319	.....	3
Excello Circuit.....	274	.....	2
Clarence Circuit.....	489	.....	1
Shelbina Circuit.....	641	.....	1
Paris Circuit.....	417	.....	1
Lakeman Circuit.....	269	.....	1
Memphis Circuit.....	176	.....	.....
Ethel Circuit.....	90	.....	1
	5,101	.....	20

Gallatin District.

Gallatin Station.....	314	.....	1
Jamesport Station.....	121	.....	.....
Lineville Station.....	279	.....	.....
Albany Station.....	323	.....	1
Maysville Station.....	91	.....	1
Edinburg Circuit.....	216	.....	.....
Jamison Circuit.....	220	.....	1
Union Star Circuit.....	155	1	.....
Pattonburg Circuit.....	225	.....	1
Lock's Springs Circuit.....	227	2	1
Breckenridge and Mooresville Ct.....	236	.....	.....
Spring Hill Circuit.....	481	.....	2
Ravenwood Circuit.....	137	.....	.....
Lineville Circuit.....	257	.....	.....
Jamesport Circuit.....	249	.....	.....
Denver Circuit.....	345	.....	2
Eagleville Circuit.....	204	.....	.....
McFall Circuit.....	209	.....	.....
New Hampton Circuit.....	220	.....	1
Weatherby Circuit.....	188	.....	2
	4,697	3	13

St. Charles District.

St. Charles Station.....	258	.....	1
Louisiana Station.....	144	.....	.....
Clarksville and Elsberry Circuit.....	224	.....	1
Vandalia Circuit.....	236	.....	1
Mechanicsville Circuit.....	197	.....	1
Jonesburg Circuit.....	260	.....	.....
Warrenton Circuit.....	258	.....	1
New Florence Circuit.....	407	.....	.....
Troy Circuit.....	363	1	2
Briscoe Circuit.....	228	.....	.....
Bowling Green Circuit.....	143	.....	2
Winfield Circuit.....	261	1	1
Laddonia Circuit.....	105	.....	.....
Center Circuit.....	204	.....	.....

St. Charles District (Continued).

	White Mem's.	Colored Mem's.	Loc'l Pr's.
Santa Fe Circuit.....	188	.....	.....
Eolia Circuit.....	411	.....	3
O'Fallon Circuit.....	309	.....	.....
	4,309	2	13

Mexico District.

Mexico Station.....	451	.....	3
Fulton Station.....	430	.....	5
Moberly Station.....	448	.....	2
Montgomery Station.....	362	.....	.....
Mexico Circuit.....	320	.....	.....
Auxvasse Circuit.....	356	1	2
Sturgeon Circuit.....	361	.....	.....
Madison Circuit.....	167	.....	.....
Centralia Circuit.....	244	1	1
Hallsville Circuit.....	302	.....	2
Fulton Circuit.....	493	.....	2
Cedar City Circuit.....	424	.....	1
Ham's Prairie Circuit.....	333	.....	1
Readsville Circuit.....	200	1	.....
Wellsville Circuit.....	312	.....	.....
	5,143	3	19

Recapitulation.

Plattsburg District.....	5,101	2	20
Fayette District.....	5,211	.....	22
Chillicothe District.....	5,038	2	21
St. Joseph District.....	4,518	7	16
Hannibal District.....	5,325	3	8
Macon District.....	5,101	.....	20
Gallatin District.....	4,697	3	13
St. Charles District.....	4,309	2	13
Mexico District.....	5,143	3	19
Total this year.....	44,443	22	152
Total last year.....	44,217	28	147
Increase.....	226	.....	5
Decrease.....	.....	6	.....

Ques. 22. How many infants have been baptized during the year? 413.

Ques. 23. How many adults have been baptized during the year? 1,841.

Ques. 24. What is the number of Epworth Leagues? 223.

Ques. 25. What is the number of Epworth League members? 6,753.

Ques. 26. What is the number of Sunday schools? 419.

Ques. 27. What is the number of Sunday-school teachers? 3,655.

Ques. 28. What is the number of Sunday-school scholars? 26,040.

Ques. 29. What amount is necessary for the superannuated preachers and the widows and orphans of preachers? \$7,000.

Ques. 30. What has been collected on the foregoing account? and how has it been applied? \$7,244.57. Applied to claimants.

Ques. 31. What has been contributed for Missions? Foreign Missions, \$9,322.53; Domestic Missions, \$5,313.25. Total, \$14,635.78.

Ques. 32. What has been contributed for Church Extension? \$2,439.32.

Ques. 33. What has been done for the American Bible Society? \$619.15.

Ques. 34. What has been contributed

for the support of presiding elders and preachers in charge? Presiding elders, \$10,309.87; preachers in charge, \$82,586.52.

Ques. 35. What has been contributed for the support of bishops? \$1,660.18.

Ques. 36. What is the number of societies, and the number and estimated value of church edifices? Societies, 510; church edifices, 449; value, \$824,510.

Ques. 37. What is the number of pastoral charges, and the number and value of parsonages owned by them? Charges, 165; parsonages, 122; value, \$134,775.

Ques. 38. What is the number and value of district parsonages? None.

Ques. 39. What are the educational statistics? Schools, 8; officers and teachers, 65; students, 897; value of property, \$415,000; endowment, \$153,000. Collected, \$1,043.70.

Ques. 40. Where shall the next session of the Conference be held? Memphis.

Ques. 41. Where are the preachers stationed this year?

ST. CHARLES DISTRICT.

J. A. Wailes, P. E.

St. Charles, G. W. Penn.
 Louisiana, Robert White.
 Clarksville and Elsberry, J. M. Major.
 Vandalia Circuit, J. T. McDonald.
 Mechanicsville Circuit, J. S. Roberts.
 O'Fallon Circuit, W. T. Ready.
 Jonesburg Circuit, W. O. Medley.
 Warrenton Circuit, S. O. Maughas.
 New Florence Circuit, J. L. Weatherford.
 Troy Circuit, J. S. Frazier.
 Briscoe Circuit, T. B. Farry.
 Bowling Green Circuit, E. L. Rutledge.
 Winfield Circuit, H. I. Cobb.
 Laddonia Circuit, T. P. Middleton.
 Center Circuit, W. C. Maggart.
 Santa Fe Circuit, J. S. Rooker.
 Eolia Circuit, W. S. Rooker.

MEXICO DISTRICT.

R. H. Cooper, P. E.

Mexico, F. Marvin.
 Fulton, W. A. Hanna.
 Moberly, A. F. Smith.
 Montgomery, B. D. Sipple.
 Mexico Circuit, E. W. Reynolds.
 Auxvasse Circuit, W. J. Parvin.
 Sturgeon Circuit, S. H. Milam.
 Madison Circuit, W. B. Lewellen.
 Centralia Circuit, W. C. Rice.
 Hallsville Circuit, V. J. Millis.
 Fulton Circuit, L. E. Todd.
 Cedar City Circuit, Paul Whitehead.
 Ham's Prairie Circuit, J. S. Bowles.
 Readsville Circuit, R. W. Howerton.
 Wellsville Circuit, J. A. Greening.
 Mokane Circuit, J. W. Kimbrell.

FAYETTE DISTRICT.

J. R. A. Vaughn, P. E.

Fayette, T. E. Sharp.
 Columbia, J. H. Glanville.
 Glasgow, W. H. Roper.
 Huntsville, H. H. Johnson.
 Fayette Circuit, L. B. Siceloff.
 Glasgow Circuit, J. Y. Blakey.
 Keytesville, J. T. Gose.
 Salisbury, J. E. McGee.
 Prairie Hill Circuit, G. A. Lehnhoff.
 Clifton Circuit, H. T. Leeper.
 Armstrong Circuit, John Holland.
 Higbee Circuit, G. W. Nollner.
 New Franklin Circuit, V. O. White, J. E. Fisher.
 Rocheport Circuit, W. A. Whitmer.
 Ashland Circuit, J. C. Carney.
 Keytesville Circuit, S. W. Johnson.
 Agent American Bible Society, H. P. Bond.
 President Howard-Payne Institute, H. D. Groves.

PLATTSBURG DISTRICT.

E. K. Miller, P. E.

Plattsburg, J. A. Mumpower.
 Richmond, T. H. B. Anderson.
 Cameron, E. C. Swann.
 Osborne Circuit, J. L. Meffert.
 Platte City and Weston, M. L. Gray.
 Hardin, J. M. Dempsey.
 Millville Circuit, R. M. Hardaway.
 Edgerton Circuit, C. A. Sherman.
 Parkville Circuit, M. F. Brower.
 Kingston Circuit, J. H. Sneed.
 Lawson, H. C. Garrett.
 Liberty, R. T. Kerlin.
 Cowgill Circuit, T. M. Patterson.
 Camden Circuit, Joseph Boyd.
 Grayson Circuit, J. R. McMurry.
 Lathrop Circuit, D. M. Proctor.
 Excelsior Springs, H. L. Davis.
 Kearney, L. N. Wagner.
 Polo Circuit, J. D. Shook.
 Hallard Circuit, H. A. Whiteside.
 President Central Female College, Z. M. Williams.

ST. JOSEPH DISTRICT.

W. F. McMurry, P. E.

St. Joseph: Francis Street and Spruce Street, W. F. Packard, D. R. Shackelford.
 Hundley, W. T. Whiteside.
 Olive Street, J. J. Watts.
 Centenary, J. B. Parnell.
 Gooding, M. F. Crow.
 St. Joseph Circuit, J. B. Rice.
 Dearborn Circuit, J. T. Winstead.
 Rushville Circuit, to be supplied by L. Brummitt.
 Hamburg Circuit, J. P. Godbey.
 Fairfax Circuit, C. N. Broadhurst.

Mound City Circuit, F. A. Grimes.
 Forest City Circuit, to be supplied by J. L. Proffitt.

Craig Circuit, T. R. Gray.
 Skidmore Circuit, J. W. Owen.
 Elmo Circuit, E. E. Bostwick.
 Maryville, S. P. Cresap.
 Barnard Circuit, J. L. Taylor.
 Guilford Circuit, L. B. Madison.
 Savannah, T. H. Swearingen.

CHILLICOTHE DISTRICT.

J. A. Snarr, P. E.

Chillicothe, J. M. O'Bryen.
 Carrollton, H. C. Bolen.
 Brunswick, J. O. Edmonston.
 Norborne, J. M. Settle.
 Chillicothe Circuit, J. H. Hubbard.
 Norborne Circuit, M. L. Allishouse.
 Hale Circuit, C. K. Shilling.
 De Witt and Pleasant Park, L. F. Parker.
 Wakenda Circuit, M. Moore.
 Triplett Circuit, C. W. Hurley.
 Humphreys Circuit, J. A. Mitchell.
 Linneus Circuit, J. S. Smith.
 Milan Circuit, J. F. Shores.
 Greencastle Circuit, Charles Chappell.
 Harris Circuit, J. M. Callahan.
 Browning Circuit, C. A. Lewis.
 Bogard Circuit, J. C. Kindred.
 Braymer Circuit, J. M. Bone.

MACON DISTRICT.

John Anderson, P. E.

Macon, G. M. Gibson.
 Shelbina, G. J. Warren.
 Kirksville, M. C. Hardin.
 Brookfield, A. C. Browning.
 Queen City Circuit, R. M. Dameron.
 Edina Circuit, H. M. Myers.
 Brashear Circuit, T. B. Reagan.
 La Plata Circuit, Paul Linn.
 Atlanta Circuit, L. C. Maggart.
 Marceline, E. L. Lee.
 Callao Circuit, W. M. Baker.
 Excello Circuit, N. F. Matthews.
 Clarence Circuit, A. V. Bailey.
 Shelbina Circuit, J. W. Ramsey.
 Paris Circuit, E. M. Capp, W. C. Tinney.
 Lakenan Circuit, E. C. Morgan.
 Memphis, R. F. Campbell.
 Memphis Circuit, E. J. Spencer.
 Bucklin Circuit, J. R. Campbell.

HANNIBAL DISTRICT.

C. Grimes, P. E.

Hannibal: Park Church, J. H. Jackson.
 Arch Street, G. E. Tanquary.
 Palmyra, A. B. Culbertson.
 Monroe City, O. B. Holliday.
 Kahoka Circuit, E. E. Bottsford.
 Canton, W. B. Wheeler.
 Palmyra Circuit, L. T. Fawks.
 La Belle, H. D. Thompson.

New London and Oakwood, Robert McIlvoy.

Lewiston Circuit, C. G. Hill.

Monroe City Circuit, J. R. Kincaid.

Shelbyville Circuit, J. D. Hunt.

Novelty Circuit, W. A. Smith.

Hunnell Circuit, C. O. Ransford.

Wayland Circuit, to be supplied by F. M. Dykes.

Monticello Circuit, A. S. Bowles.

Saverton Circuit, to be supplied by G. B. Smith.

Gorin Circuit, E. D. Swartz.

Maywood Circuit, J. H. Bishop.

Professor in Vanderbilt University, O. E. Brown.

GALLATIN DISTRICT.

J. H. Pritchett, P. E.

Gallatin, T. Penn.

Jamesport, T. S. Wheeler.

Lineville, D. F. Bone.

Albany, E. C. McVoy.

Edinburg Circuit, W. G. Shackelford.

Jameson Circuit, I. T. Nash.

Union Star Circuit, J. W. Tanquary.

Lock Springs Circuit, W. L. Scarborough.

Breckenridge and Mooresville, C. T. McAnally.

Pattonsburg, to be supplied by C. C. Seelman.

Spring Hill Circuit, J. O. Whitworth.

Ravenwood Circuit, H. C. Kirby.

Lineville Circuit, J. M. Sitton.

Jamesport Circuit, C. B. Campbell.

Denver Circuit, G. W. Trotter.

Eagleville Circuit, T. A. Allison.

Maysville, C. F. Wimberly.

McFall Circuit, W. A. Chapman.

New Hampton Circuit, W. D. Neal.

Weatherby Circuit, to be supplied by S. A. Smart.

Transferred.—R. Wilkerson, to the St. Louis Conference; F. Siler, to the Western North Carolina Conference; S. H. Renfro, to the North Texas Conference; W. P. Owen, to the Southwest Missouri Conference.

WESTERN VIRGINIA CONFERENCE.

HELD AT PARKERSBURG, W. VA., SEPTEMBER 8-13, 1897.

BISHOP GRANBERY, *President*; B. F. GOSLING, *Secretary*.

QUESTION 1. Who are admitted on trial?

ANSWER. Arthur McLean, Flory J. Coberly, William A. Iden, W. C. Smith, James A. H. Barrett, A. J. Coburn, William H. Austin, William A. Goodpasture, Claud M. Anderson. 9.

Ques. 2. Who remain on trial? Charles A. Slaughter, Johnson Anderson, William B. F. Ball, B. A. Winn, W. F. Tyree, J. W. Herring, L. P. Shearer, M. B. Phillips, Walter S. Taylor. 9.

Ques. 3. Who are discontinued? None.

Ques. 4. Who are admitted into full connection? Oliver Westfall. 1.

Ques. 5. Who are readmitted? Melvin C. Graham. 1.

Ques. 6. Who are received by transfer from other Conferences? Lyman F. Jackson, C. W. Cook. 2.

Ques. 7. Who are the deacons of one year? John Shorden, R. S. Bias, H. K. Moore, Samuel Robinson, Guy Crook, A. B. More, J. B. Davis, C. A. Powers, A. M. Martin, C. B. Morris, R. P. Fitch. 11.

Ques. 8. What traveling preachers are elected deacons? None.

Ques. 9. What traveling preachers are ordained deacons? None.

Ques. 10. What local preachers are elected deacons? William L. Reid, William B. F. Ball, Alfred L. Cole, George W. George, William H. Austin, William A. Goodpasture. 6.

Ques. 11. What local preachers are ordained deacons? William L. Reid, William B. F. Ball, Alfred L. Cole, George W. George, William H. Austin, William A. Goodpasture, Peter Fansler, George A. Liston. 8.

Ques. 12. What traveling preachers are elected elders? Ernest Robinson. 1.

Ques. 13. What traveling preachers are elected elders? Ernest Robinson. 1.

Ques. 14. What local preachers are elected elders? Hamilton Poling, William C. Smith. 2.

Ques. 15. What local preachers are ordained elders? Hamilton Poling, William C. Smith. 2.

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

Ques. 17. Who are supernumerary? A. P. Sturm, C. W. Cook, Clifton Dean. 3.

Ques. 18. Who are superannuated? Samuel Black, J. K. Hedges, Warwick Briscoe, R. A. Cloughton, J. T. Johnson,

Elias Kendall, C. S. Murrill, J. S. Lemon, B. S. Chambers, Hiram Moore. 10.

Ques. 19. What preachers have died during the past year? J. F. Medley, P. D. Nutter. 2.

JOHN FLETCHER MEDLEY, son of Reuben and Mildred Medley, was born in Nelson county, Ky., December 6, 1821. On this day he was dedicated to God, laid upon the altar by these Christian parents. He departed this life September 27, 1896. We are not informed as to the date of his conversion, but the record shows that he was admitted on trial into the Kentucky Conference in the year 1850, which was the twenty-ninth year of his age. His first charge was the Harlem Mission, in the Kentucky mountains, where over four hundred conversions were reported as some of the fruits of his first year's labors. In 1851 he was transferred to the Western Virginia Conference, at the beginning of the second year of its origin. Brother Medley's first charge in this new Conference was known as the Kanawha Salines, which he served two years. In 1853 he was appointed to Louisa, Ky., where on April 11, 1854, he was united in marriage to Miss Emily Elizabeth Jones, who still survives him, and was in every particular a faithful companion. He was ordained a deacon August 29, 1852, by Bishop Andrew, and an elder September 10, 1854, by Bishop Early. The same year he was appointed to Greenup, Ky., where he served two years. Such men as our sainted Ireland were taken into the Church by him in these two years. In 1856 he was appointed to the Point Pleasant charge, and in 1857 to Guyandotte and Catlettsburg; these two points were then connected as one charge. During these years he was a flaming revivalist, and hundreds were led to Christ through his ministry. In 1858 he was chosen agent for a Book and Tract Depository established by the Conference, and in 1860 the agency for Marshall College was added to this. During the period that intervened between 1861 and 1865 the Conference was disbanded. Then it was that Medley, by the sweat of his brow, as a piler of rock and builder of houses—being a carpenter—laid by for his wife and two daughters a home. But when the Conference was reorganized in February, 1866, with only about twenty members present, brother Medley was one who answered to his name, and was appointed to Catlettsburg Station. A glorious ingathering, not only of souls but of substantial members, was the result. In October, 1866, he was again appointed agent for Marshall College, and in 1867 he was placed in charge of a work which was attempted in Ohio. In 1868 he was located at his own request, and continued in this relation till 1873, but supplied Catletts-

burg and Ashland in 1872. In 1873 he was readmitted to the traveling connection, and was sent to Point Pleasant; to Greenup again in 1874. During 1875-76 he was Sunday-school Agent. In 1877 he was presiding elder of the Huntington District. From 1878 to 1881 he was presiding elder of the Catlettsburg District, and from 1881 to 1885 he was on the Parkersburg District. During the year 1885-86 he served the Cannonsburg work. He was colporteur in 1887-88; pastor of Wayne charge in 1889; Ashland Circuit in 1890; supernumerary in 1891-94, but supplied Greenup charge during 1892. He was returned to the effective list in 1895, and sent to the St. Mary's charge for the year 1895-96. At the session of 1896 at Charleston he accepted once more, and for the last time, a supernumerary relation. Returning to his home at the close of Conference, he spent ten days in the bosom of his family; ate his dinner on Sunday, September 27; walked from the dining room the length of the veranda and fell. No injuries were sustained—no bruises, no bones broken—but he was gone! No groan, no word, no look of recognition to his loved ones around him—but gone to his eternal home! Those who knew our glorified brother scarcely need a written memoir, for his peculiarly strong personality was so thoroughly impressed on them that time cannot easily erase the pleasant record. His life was clean; his integrity unchallenged. He handled a vast sum of money during his church building, for he was justly called "the church-builder of his day." Where did he serve that he did not either build or improve the churches on his work, as well as help elsewhere? Not only his hands, but his mind and means, were ever at the service of his Church. His jokes were many, but his speech was pure, chaste, and unsullied by unseemly anecdote or vile illustration. His conversation was instructive, and from it one could always gather food for thought. The theme of his conversation was the word of God, and no one was long in his company without learning that his mind naturally reverted to this, the greatest of all subjects of thought. Only those who knew him best comprehended his deep spirituality. He seldom laughed, but his smile was as the sunlight rifting the clouds. His bearing was simple, manly, and courtly; his address was, as his genius, all his own. But so many beautiful tributes and expressions of appreciation of this man have already gone through the press—more, we believe, and by more gifted writers than of any other of our heroes who have fallen—that it would be but a recapitulation for us to attempt to eulogize him at this time. We deem it an opportune time, however, to put what

might be styled the last page from his ministerial diary in a more permanent form. Characteristic of the man as it was to utilize whatever came to hand, so these last lines were written upon the blank leaves of a pamphlet picked up in the Conference room on the last day of its session, to wit: "This is the winter of my perplexity. I take a severe cold at Conference, have it now. Before coming here I was sound in health; have not been sick enough to keep my bed for fifty years. The day before coming I dug, in hard ground, a ditch eighteen inches deep and one hundred and ten feet long; laid the pipe and filled it up. I came to Conference expecting to retire from the work: they pronounce me unseaworthy in our Conference, to which as a son or father I submit; we have no trouble or friction in this. But here comes the rub—other Churches are of a different opinion. I do not desire to connect myself with them. To start an independent congregational Church suggests itself—this will be attended with difficulty. A supernumerary relation would be in my way of going abroad. Location, or even membership, would be a bar to my erecting a church and taking charge of it, that I might gather a congregation. Besides this, it would cripple the Church I love and have served so long. If I knew what to do, I would do it now. To withdraw is awful! To remain and do anything that would compensate me, would be cause of expulsion. Oh for light! I walk in darkness. It is unfortunate to be old; it is a calamity to be reckoned rich. O, Thou who didst lead Jacob as a flock, lead me! I lift my blind eyes as Saul on the Damascus road, and cry, 'Lord, what wilt thou have me to do?' Send some Ananias, and send the Holy Ghost, lift the scales—amen!" And soon came the message, in answer to this: "Well done, thou good and faithful servant; thou hast been faithful over a few things, I will make thee ruler over many things." And the news went from station to circuit, from circuit to district, "Know ye not that a prince and great man is fallen?" A great man, judge him by what standard you will. Without the advantages of a scholastic education, yet by the native powers of his intellect, and the force of an indomitable will, he filled successfully every position to which he was called—from a mission to the General Conference. Who that knew him would have wished him other than the Medley that he truly was; and which of his many friends does not miss him? But where his unwearied powers shall have an eternity of service, we shall find him.

PASCHAL D. NUTTER was born of worthy

parentage in 1861 in Greenbrier county, Va., now West Virginia. His parents were stalwart Southern Methodists, and had all their children dedicated to God in infancy by baptism, the effects of which followed Paschal through his earthly pilgrimage. His youth was spent on a farm, with all the hardships and privations incident to a frontier settlement and sparsely populated community. The forests were to fell and the soil to till by the farmer and his family. Schools and Church privileges were remote; hence the neglect of the intellectual training and culture so widely desired by, and deserving to, the noble and true. From early morn till late at night the duties of an obedient, faithful farmer's son claimed his every moment, and were by him dutifully performed. The only opportunity to get a knowledge of books was a short session of a midwinter free school, and his mornings and evenings must be closely occupied in busy routine of work about the home; yet, notwithstanding the very poor opportunities of his early life, he gained a fair knowledge in the primary branches of an English education. The close application and faithful toil developed in him the man of possibilities for business in any sphere of life to which he might be called. He soon found need to exercise his every power. His father's health failed, and for years he was a confirmed invalid. Brother Nutter was just merging into early manhood, and being the eldest son of the family, the management of the farm and business thereof devolved largely on him to carry into effect. For some years the family labored on, paying physician's exorbitant bill and trying to make a support for themselves and the many scores of people who visited their father in friendship or otherwise. The estate became involved in debt by this means, and when his father died and the sons came to divide the farm, Paschal assumed the debts and took a portion of the lands largely in the forest. He married young. He built a good home, but was never able to clear away the indebtedness against the estate. In early life he felt called of God to confirm in himself his parents' act of early dedication to God, and to consecrate himself to the Most High by giving his life and manhood to the Church. He was a zealous and efficient member of his home church, giving himself and of his means to all its needs. He was also for many years a faithful and painstaking member of the Quarterly Conference of Sugar Grove Circuit, and as such always magnified his office in every relation. As an exhorter he was a power in drawing men to Christ. He felt, however, that God called him to a higher work, which, after long strivings with the

Spirit, he obeyed. He was licensed to preach by the Sugar Grove Quarterly Conference in the year 1889. As local preacher he was acceptable and useful on his home and adjoining circuits, where he had many pressing invitations and often preached. He was admitted on trial into the traveling connection at Guyandotte on the 26th of September, 1890. At Clarksburg, September 18, 1892, he was ordained deacon by Bishop Keener. He was ordained an elder by Bishop Granbery at Huntington, September 9, 1894. His first charge was Newton, in the Fayette District, appointed in 1890, where he built two churches; and in his pastorate there of four years he dedicated three houses, and the membership was materially enlarged and strengthened. The spiritual influence also developed in good proportion, and all the collections on the charge were considerably advanced. As their pastor he endeared himself to the people, who hold his memory in high esteem. While on this work his zeal for the people's interest and salvation caused him to overwork and expose himself until his health so completely gave way that he never thereafter saw another well day. At Conference in 1894 he was appointed to Meadow Bluff Circuit, Fayette District, and under the trying circumstances of very poor health did a good year's work. Toward the close of the year his health became so much undermined that he could travel only with great difficulty and pain; yet he kept on to the very close of the year, bringing up a good report. In 1895 he was granted a supernumerary relation, he hoping that the rest of one year would fully restore his health, which still declined until the once strong physical man was only a wreck. The Conference last year granted him a superannuated relation. On January 13, 1897, his eyes were closed to all of earth and opened on the other shore. He was a dutiful son, an affectionate brother, a loving, faithful, and true husband and father, a kind, accommodating neighbor. As a Christian he was ever circumspect in his ways, and an earnest, pleading, impressive minister of the gospel of the Son of God. God called him in "manhood's middle day" from the work so dear to his heart, and from a wife and five children whom he loved dearly and would sadly miss him. He never murmured, though he felt there was so much to do, and he desired so much to help in the labor of the common cause of Christ and humanity; yet he said: "It is all right; God knows best." Brother Nutter knew no death; to him it was "going home." While we who knew him feel that we must continue the battle of life, he rests from his labors, and his works do follow him.

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

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

Parkersburg District.

	White Mem's.	Colored Mem's.	Loc'l Pr's.
Parkersburg.....	319	.....	2
Wesley and St. Mary's.....	213	.....	.....
Lubeck.....	235	.....	.....
Elizabeth.....	263	.....	2
Grantsville.....	264	.....	2
Ravenswood.....	270	.....	.....
Spencer.....	171	.....	1
Reedy.....	319	.....	1
Ripley.....	279	2	1
Point Pleasant.....	190	2	.....
New Martinsville.....	187	1	1
Pleasant Ridge.....	560	.....	2
Burning Springs.....	472	.....	3
Total	3,542	5	13

Clarksburg District.

Clarksburg.....	187	.....	1
Boothsville.....	457	.....	1
Marion.....	528	.....	6
Rivesville.....	587	1	1
Greene.....	260	.....	.....
Grand Rock.....	156	.....	.....
Philippi.....	295	.....	1
Meadowville.....	470	.....	6
Braxton.....	298	.....	1
St. George.....	231	.....	2
Elkins.....	230	.....	.....
Cedarville.....	113	.....	3
Cleveland.....	267	.....	6
Mingo Flats.....	205	.....	.....
Glennville.....	258	.....	1
Jacksonville.....	296	.....	2
Davis.....	54	.....	.....
Total	4,800	1	31

Fayette District.

Fayetteville.....	381	.....	1
Summersville.....	284	.....	2
Sewell.....	314	.....	2
Meadow Bluff.....	294	1	1
Webster.....	313	.....	2
Birch.....	485	.....	2
Cedar Grove.....	241	.....	1
Raleigh.....	185	.....	2
Hawk's Nest.....	80	.....	.....
Kanawha Falls.....	80	.....	1
Sugar Grove.....	612	.....	2
Newton.....	306	.....	.....
Osborne's Mills.....	119	.....	1
Addison.....	198	.....	1
Total	3,843	1	18

Charleston District.

Charleston.....	280	.....	.....
Charleston Circuit.....	26	.....	1
Barboursville.....	380	.....	1
Huntington: First Church.....	254	.....	3
Second Church.....	198	.....	5
Guyandotte.....	129	.....	.....
Wayne Courthouse.....	292	.....	1
Wayne Circuit.....	448	.....	11
Buffalo.....	203	.....	1
Hamlin.....	322	.....	3
St. Albans.....	270	.....	2
Glenwood.....	214	.....	1
Fair Plains.....	174	.....	2

Charleston District (Continued).

	White Mem's.	Colored Mem's.	Loc'l Pr's.
Cabell.....	500	.....	2
Elk Cky.....	132	.....	.....
	4,058	.....	33

Catlettsburg District.

Catlettsburg.....	172	.....	.....
Ashland.....	226	.....	1
Ashland Circuit.....	299	.....	1
Louisa.....	216	.....	.....
Greenpp.....	166	.....	.....
Grayson.....	227	1	.....
Mt. Zion.....	233	.....	1
Liberty.....	483	.....	3
Kavanaugh.....	293	1	1
Leon.....	265	.....	1
Grassland.....	361	.....	3
Martinsburg.....	372	.....	2
	3,318	2	13

Prestonsburg District.

Prestonsburg.....	385	3	2
Paintsville.....	240	.....	8
Floyd.....	219	.....	5
Pikeville.....	40	.....	1
Pikeville Circuit.....	155	2	4
Eden.....	136	2	1
Blaine.....	554	.....	10
Logan.....	163	.....	.....
Wyoming.....	168	.....	2
Boone.....	65	.....	3
Williamson.....	75	.....	.....
Daniel's Creek.....	250	.....	.....
Johnson.....	68	.....	2
Crowley.....	51	.....	2
	2,574	7	40

Recapitulation.

Parkersburg District.....	3,542	5	13
Clarksburg District.....	4,800	1	31
Fayette District.....	3,843	1	18
Charleston District.....	4,058	.....	33
Catlettsburg District.....	5,313	2	13
Prestonsburg District.....	2,574	7	40
Total this year.....	22,130	16	148
Total last year.....	22,395	2	141
Increase.....	.....	14	7
Decrease.....	765	.....	.....

Ques. 22. How many infants have been baptized during the year? 426.

Ques. 23. How many adults have been baptized during the year? 1,074.

Ques. 24. What is the number of Epworth Leagues? 102.

Ques. 25. What is the number of Epworth League members? 3,639.

Ques. 26. What is the number of Sunday schools? 370.

Ques. 27. What is the number of Sunday-school teachers? 2,488.

Ques. 28. What is the number of Sunday-school scholars? 19,512.

Ques. 29. What amount is necessary for the superannuated preachers and the widows and orphans of preachers? \$1,850.

Ques. 30. What has been collected on the foregoing account? and how has it been applied? \$1,218.40. Applied to claimants.

Ques. 31. What has been contributed for Missions? Foreign Missions, \$1,096.25;

Domestic Missions, \$1,118. Total, \$2,214.25.

Ques. 32. What has been contributed for Church Extension? \$359.25.

Ques. 33. What has been done for the American Bible Society? \$57.60.

Ques. 34. What has been contributed for the support of presiding elders and preachers in charge? Presiding elders, \$4,165.67; preachers in charge, \$38,116.50.

Ques. 35. What has been contributed for the support of bishops? \$406.82.

Ques. 36. What is the number of societies, and the number and estimated value of church edifices? Societies, 452; church edifices, 297¼; value, \$390,250.

Ques. 37. What is the number of pastoral charges, and the number and value of parsonages owned by them? Charges, 95; parsonages, 48; value, \$41,740.

Ques. 38. What is the number and value of district parsonages? Number, 3; value, \$4,800.

Ques. 39. What are the educational statistics? Barboursville College: Officers and teachers, 5; students, 96; value of property, \$22,000.

Ques. 40. Where shall the next session of the Conference be held? Catlettsburg, Ky.

Ques. 41. Where are the preachers stationed this year?

PARKERSBURG DISTRICT.

S. F. McClung, P. E.

Parkersburg Station, J. M. Crowe; C. W. Cook, Sup.

Parkersburg Circuit, J. B. Davis.

St. Mary's, A. M. Hammond.

New Martinsville, J. M. Carter.

Pleasant Ridge, O. Westfall.

Lubeck, W. F. Tyree.

Elizabeth, C. A. Powers.

Burning Springs, T. R. Houghton.

Grantsville, S. Robinson.

Spencer, J. W. Crites.

Reedy, B. A. Winn.

Ravenswood, I. N. Fannin, F. J. Coberly.

Ripley, E. L. Fitch.

Point Pleasant, S. A. Donahoe.

Brooksville, to be supplied by O. E. Thorn.

CLARKSBURG DISTRICT.

J. M. Boland, P. E.

Clarksburg, Guy Crook.

Jacksonville, to be supplied by G. A. Cutlip.

Glenville, M. W. Hiner.

Braxton, E. S. McClung.

Sutton, T. S. Wade.

Cleveland, to be supplied by H. Poling.

Mingo, M. B. Phillips.

Elkins, W. A. Idens.

Davis, F. M. Canfield.

St. George, A. B. Moore.

Meadowville, W. C. Leach.
 Philippi, M. E. Peck.
 Boothsville, J. D. Stalnaker.
 Fairmont, W. I. Canter.
 Riverville, John Shorden.
 Green, E. R. Powers.
 Fairview, E. B. Jones.
 Farmington, A. Lee Barrett.
 Harmony, J. B. F. Yoak.
 Editor Methodist Episcopal Advocate, T. S. Wade.
 Conference Missionary Secretary, H. M. Smith.

FAYETTE DISTRICT.

M. V. Bowls, P. E.

Fayetteville, G. W. McClung.
 Austead, J. J. Haynes.
 Webster, A. M. Martin.
 Montgomery, C. F. Crooks.
 East Bank, John Martin.
 Summersville, C. N. Coffman.
 Addison, L. E. Harrison.
 Birch, R. P. Fitch.
 Minnora, S. A. Knotts.
 Osborn's Mills, W. B. F. Ball.
 Hominy Falls, A. E. Odell.
 Meadow Bluff, A. A. Hollister.
 Frametown, to be supplied.
 Quinnemont, W. C. Smith.
 Flat Top, to be supplied by A. L. Cole.
 Leivasy, M. C. Graham.
 West Sutton, to be supplied.
 Sewell, B. C. Davis.
 Raleigh, Johnson Anderson.

CHARLESTON DISTRICT.

J. W. Glover, P. E.

Charleston Station, J. W. Hampton.
 West Charleston, Arthur McLean.
 Charleston Circuit, R. S. Bias.
 St. Albans, P. G. Walker.
 Buffalo, H. T. Watts.
 Fisher's Point, to be supplied by J. L. Porter.
 Cabell Circuit, E. Bias.
 Hamlin, H. L. Smith.
 Lincoln Mission, to be supplied by Samuel Graham.
 Barboursville, J. M. Lauck.

Guyandotte, W. L. Reid.
 Huntington: First Church, B. F. Gosling.
 Second Church, C. B. Morris.
 Bowen, A. Given.
 Wayne, J. H. Burns.
 Fort Gay, to be supplied by B. W. Fitch.
 Glenwood, D. L. Bush.
 Ceredo, L. P. Shearer.

CATLETTSBURG DISTRICT.

S. G. Preston, P. E.

Catlettsburg, J. W. Herring.
 Ashland, E. F. Caton.
 Ashland Circuit, C. H. Dowell.
 Louisa, D. H. Reid.
 Greenup, E. Robinson.
 Old Town, I. F. J. McKinster.
 Mt. Zion, L. F. Jackson.
 Liberty, A. J. Coburn.
 Kavanaugh, W. H. Surgeon; C. Dean, Sup.
 Leon, J. D. Garrett.
 Grassland, H. B. Hewlett.
 Martinsburg and New Foundland, W. U. Fugate.
 Olio, J. A. H. Barrett.
 Editor Central Methodist, Z. Meek.

PRESTONSBURG DISTRICT.

C. W. Shearer, P. E.

Prestonsburg Station, S. T. Mallory.
 Paintsville, H. K. Moore.
 Eden, to be supplied by C. M. Johnson.
 Blaine, to be supplied by W. H. Vest.
 Flat Gap, to be supplied by J. P. Simmons.
 Daniel's Creek, W. H. Austin.
 Pikeville Station, C. A. Slaughter.
 John's Creek, to be supplied by R. H. Cassidy.
 Williamson, to be supplied by J. H. McClarity.
 Logan, K. J. Bevins.
 Madison, C. M. Anderson.
 Christian, G. W. George.
 Wyoming, W. A. Goodpasture.
 Floyd, to be supplied by J. W. Castle.

Transferred.—J. M. Peters, to the Columbia Conference; J. C. Thomas, to the East Columbia Conference.

COLUMBIA CONFERENCE.

HELD AT ROSEBURG, OREGON, SEPTEMBER 9-13, 1897.

BISHOP HARGROVE, *President*; W. A. MCGHEE, *Secretary*.

QUESTION 1. Who are admitted on trial?
ANSWER. Charles W. Huff, James T. Cotton. 2.

Ques. 2. Who remain on trial? None.

Ques. 3. Who are discontinued? R. W. Byrn. 1.

Ques. 4. Who are admitted into full connection? None.

Ques. 5. Who are readmitted? None.

Ques. 6. Who are received by transfer from other Conferences? J. M. Peters. 1.

Ques. 7. Who are the deacons of one year? J. L. Jones, J. M. Turner. 2.

Ques. 8. What traveling preachers are elected deacons? None.

Ques. 9. What traveling preachers are ordained deacons? None.

Ques. 10. What local preachers are elected deacons? None.

Ques. 11. What local preachers are ordained deacons? None.

Ques. 12. What traveling preachers are elected elders? None.

Ques. 13. What traveling preachers are ordained elders? None.

Ques. 14. What local preachers are elected elders? James T. Cotton. 1.

Ques. 15. What local preachers are ordained elders? James T. Cotton. 1.

Ques. 16. Who are located this year? J. L. Futrell, at his own request. 1.

Ques. 17. Who are supernumerary? Thomas Clarke. 1.

Ques. 18. Who are superannuated? None.

Ques. 19. What preachers have died during the past year? R. C. Oglesby. 1.

R. C. OGLESBY began life about sixty-four years ago; his religious life began about seventeen years later. His first Church home was with the Cumberland Presbyterians. He joined our Church about 1860. He was licensed to preach four years after, and was received on trial in the traveling connection at Corvallis in October, 1866. He never missed a roll call; never failed to go to the work assigned him, traveling districts and circuits. He was successful in getting people converted and into the Church. We did not have a stancher Methodist among us, nor a truer friend to the Church. His life was literally consumed for souls and the Church of his adoption. No man among us was better beloved, none whose influence was more Christlike. His was not a brilliant career, but what was better, a career approved

of God and the Church. His was a character transparent, conscientious, utterly without hypocrisy; there was nothing petty about him; he was a model of fidelity and integrity. There was no risk to run in imposing responsibility upon him within his capabilities. Finally, it may be said of our dear brother Oglesby, "He lived well, worked well, suffered well, and died well."

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

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

Willamette District.

	Mem- bers.	Loc's Pr's.
Albany and Tangent.....	103	1
Lebanon.....	186	1
Brownsville.....	113	2
Junction City.....	169	.....
Independence and Lewisville.....	82	1
Oregon City.....	82	1
Dallas and Dixie.....	113	1
Tillamook.....	12	.....
McMinnville.....	73	.....
Corvallis and Peoria.....	62	.....
Mohawk.....	50	.....
	995	6

Roseburg District.

Roseburg.....	117	.....
Oakland.....	88	.....
Myrtle Creek.....	126	1
Medford and Soda Springs.....	95	.....
Grant's Pass.....	79	1
Applegate.....	57	1
Klamath Falls.....	70	3
Myrtle Point.....	81	1
Coquille City.....	62	.....
Bandon.....	18	.....
	793	7

Recapitulation.

Willamette District.....	995	6
Roseburg District.....	783	7
Total this year.....	1,778	13
Total last year.....	1,675	9
Increase.....	103	4

Ques. 22. How many infants have been baptized during the year? 23.

Ques. 23. How many adults have been baptized during the year? 81.

Ques. 24. What is the number of Epworth Leagues? 20.

Ques. 25. What is the number of Epworth League members? 552.

Ques. 26. What is the number of Sunday schools? 33.

Ques. 27. What is the number of Sunday-school teachers? 212.

Ques. 28. What is the number of Sunday-school scholars? 1,117.

Ques. 29. What amount is necessary for the superannuated preachers and the widows and orphans of preachers? \$400.

Ques. 30. What has been collected on the foregoing account? and how has it been applied? \$39. Applied to claimants.

Ques. 31. What has been contributed for Missions? Foreign Missions, \$282.31; Domestic Missions, \$40.55. Total, \$322.86.

Ques. 32. What has been contributed for Church Extension? \$239.30.

Ques. 33. What has been done for the American Bible Society? \$22.67.

Ques. 34. What has been contributed for the support of presiding elders and preachers in charge? Presiding elders, \$433.73; preachers in charge, \$2,655.55.

Ques. 35. What has been contributed for the support of bishops? \$41.85.

Ques. 36. What is the number of societies, and the number and estimated value of church edifices? Societies, 61; church edifices, 32½; value, \$61,822.

Ques. 37. What is the number of pastoral charges, and the number and value of parsonages owned by them? Charges, 21; parsonages, 17; value, \$12,112.

Ques. 38. What is the number and value of district parsonages? None.

Ques. 39. What are the educational statistics? None.

Ques. 40. Where shall the next session of the Conference be held? Albany, Ore.

Ques. 41. Where are the preachers stationed this year?

WILLAMETTE DISTRICT.

H. S. Shangle, P. E.

Albany and Tangent, John L. Jones.

Lebanon, T. Thomas.

Brownsville, Walter Millican.

Junction, D. C. McFarland.

Independence, T. P. Haynes.

Lewisville, P. A. Moses.

Oregon City, W. L. Malloy.

Dallas and Dixie, J. M. Peters.

McMinnville, J. M. Turner.

Corvallis and Peoria, W. J. Fenton.

Harrisburg, H. A. Wood.

Tillamook, to be supplied.

ROSEBURG DISTRICT.

R. A. Reagan, P. E.

Roseburg, James T. Cotten.

Oakland, to be supplied.

Myrtle Creek, C. E. Kirk.

Grant's Pass, J. A. Crutchfield.

Medford, J. F. Wallace.

Applegate, C. W. Huff.

Klamath Falls, to be supplied.

COQUILLE DISTRICT.

W. B. Smith, P. E.

Coquille, W. B. Smith.

Myrtle Point, C. U. Cross.

Brandon, to be supplied.

KENTUCKY CONFERENCE.

HELD AT MT. STERLING, KY., SEPTEMBER 15-20, 1897.

BISHOP WILSON, *President*; F. S. POLLITT, *Secretary*.

QUESTION 1. Who are admitted on trial?
ANSWER. Charles A. Bromley, George Edward Rapp. 2.

Ques. 2. Who remain on trial? U. W. Darlington, R. M. Lee, Luther E. Mann, Henry R. Mills, James L. Clark, Charles W. Clay, W. L. Selby, Benjamin F. Chat-ham, Josiah S. Ragan. 9.

Ques. 3. Who are discontinued? Boyd K. Muse. 1.

Ques. 4. Who are admitted into full connection? William L. Clark, Frederick B. Jones. 2.

Ques. 5. Who are readmitted? Horace G. Turner, H. G. Burger. 2.

Ques. 6. Who are received by transfer

from other Conferences? Charles F. Evans, from the Western North Carolina Conference; C. C. Fisher, from the Holston Conference; W. T. Bolling, from the North Mississippi Conference. 3.

Ques. 7. Who are the deacons of one year? G. W. Boswell, W. L. Clark, Millard F. Moores, Josiah S. Ragan. 4.

Ques. 8. What traveling preachers are elected deacons? None.

Ques. 9. What traveling preachers are ordained deacons? None.

Ques. 10. What local preachers are elected deacons? William Leroy Selby, James Levant Clark, Robert Mitchell Lee. 3.

Ques. 11. What local preachers are or-

dailed deacons? William Leroy Selby, James Levant Clark, Robert Mitchell Lee. 3.

Ques. 12. What traveling preachers are elected elders? Russell Blair Baird, Francis Marion Hill, Leonidas Robinson. 3.

Ques. 13. What traveling preachers are ordained elders? Russell Blair Baird, Francis Marion Hill, Leonidas Robinson. 3.

Ques. 14. What local preachers are elected elders? James Wesley Kendrick. 1.

Ques. 15. What local preachers are ordained elders? None.

Ques. 16. Who are located this year? J. M. Wilson, at his own request. 1.

Ques. 17. Who are supernumerary? G. N. Buffington, J. J. Dickey, F. W. Noland, J. C. Minor, W. H. H. Ditzler, J. S. Walker, G. B. Poage, W. E. Arnold. 8.

Ques. 18. Who are superannuated? W. J. Snively, S. W. Speer, S. S. Deering, V. B. Daughetee, H. P. Walker, P. H. Hoffman, W. W. Chamberlain, W. H. Winter, R. Hiner, M. P. Morgan, G. G. Ragan. 11.

Ques. 19. What preachers have died during the past year? D. Welburn, Charles Taylor. 2.

CHARLES TAYLOR, M.D., D.D.—I met Dr. Taylor at Shanghai, China, in 1852. He came on board the ship *Tartar* (the vessel in which I made the voyage from New York to China) a few hours after we dropped anchor in the harbor, and gave us a hearty welcome to our new home. He was a lovable Christian brother, sympathetic in spirit, cordial in manner, and constant in his attachments; an earnest Christian, a faithful minister, devoted husband, affectionate father, he served his generation by the will of God. Dr. Taylor was born in Boston, Mass., September 5, 1819, and died in Courtland, Ala., February 5, 1897. He was a son of a Presbyterian minister, a godly man, who trained his children in the fear of the Lord. Charles profited by the instruction of his father, both intellectually and religiously, and though limited in means, managed to work his way through New York University, taking the highest honors of his class. In 1842 he was Professor of Ancient Languages in Cokesbury Seminary, South Carolina. He was admitted on trial into the South Carolina Conference in 1844; graduated in medicine at Philadelphia Medical College in 1848. He was appointed our first missionary to China in 1848, and reached his field of labor in the autumn following. He remained in the mission field, laboring with great diligence and success, until the fall of 1854, when the continued ill health of Mrs. Taylor compelled him to return to his native land. On his return he was elected to a professorship in Spartanburg Female College, and in 1857 became president of

the college. In the following year he was elected by the General Conference of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, Sunday-school Secretary. He was afterwards president of the Kentucky Wesleyan College, then located at Millersburg, Ky. Dr. Taylor also filled several stations in the Kentucky and South Carolina Conferences, and was presiding elder for several years. I shall speak of his labors as a missionary chiefly. I knew him intimately in that relation, and was familiar with his methods of work. He acquired the Chinese language with great facility, and used it with uncommon accuracy and ease, especially the colloquial dialect of Shanghai. He mixed well with the people, and by his kind and sympathetic manner soon won their respect and confidence. The Chinese are keen observers and good judges of character. Every missionary is closely scrutinized by his heathen neighbors, especially by those in his employ. Dr. Taylor was highly esteemed by all Chinese who knew him, and his influence for good was increasing every year during his stay in China. He was without reproach among the heathen, as he was among his brethren at home. Dr. Taylor was a man of active temperament and great powers of endurance. He could work indefinitely, seemingly without fatigue. This enabled him to accomplish a great deal during the five years he spent in China. He was active both as a preacher and a student. Among the books and tracts he prepared in China was a translation of Robinson's "Harmony of the Gospels," a valuable work. He was also the author of "Five Years in China," giving an account of his residence and labors. His tract, "Baptism in a Nutshell," has had a very extensive circulation in this country, and still holds its place among the small treatises. He wrote frequently for Church papers, and retained his interest in foreign missions, especially for the field of his early labors. Had he been permitted to remain, I doubt not he would have become a leader in the evangelization of that great empire. He was our first missionary to China, and upon him devolved the responsibility of selecting the location for our first station. At that day missionaries and merchants were allowed to reside at only five ports in the empire—Hongkong, Canton, Foochow, Ningpo, and Shanghai. Dr. Taylor wisely chose Shanghai. Here he and Dr. Jenkins began their labors, and Shanghai has remained our principal station up to the present time, now nearly fifty years. Dr. Taylor's home life was beautiful. The same gentle, affectionate spirit that made him socially a delightful companion, and endeared him to his friends, bound his family to him in the strongest bonds of domestic love. He

was not one thing to the outer circle of his friends and another in the home circle, but the same thoughtful, tender Christian friend at home and abroad. As a husband and father he filled the full measure of his duty, and is now sadly missed by the sorrowing wife and children. His death is a great loss to the world; but if earth is poorer, heaven is richer.

[By Dr. W. G. E. CUNNINGHAM, for the committee.]

DRUMMOND WELBURN was the son of Drummond and Mary Henderson Welburn, and was born ten weeks after his father's death, in Horntown, Accomac county, Va., near the Atlantic shore, on the 22d of October, 1818. His mother's mother was a Marshall; his father's mother a Corbin, his grandmother being a Drummond. The first American Welburn was from Wales. He landed on the 10th of May, 1610, with Sir Thomas Gates and other officers of the colony of Virginia, after having been shipwrecked on Bermuda nine months before. The second of America's gospel ministers, the Rev. Mr. Bucke, arrived on the same ship, the *Sea Venture*. The Welburns have been hereditary merchants and planters. Our subject was from his eighth year, when not at school, a merchant's clerk. The village post office was kept at the store. This gave the boy access to the Richmond, Washington, and Philadelphia papers. Ritchie, Pleasants, Gales and Seaton, Duff Green, Atkinson, Poulson, and Walsh introduced him to Irving, Bryant, Drake, Halleck, Lofland, and other rising American writers, as well as to more distinguished British authors. He also became familiar with the names of our most noted statesmen, and had a rich enjoyment of their oratory as reported. When eleven and a half years old he ceased to attend the very commonest common schools from one to three months out of every twelve. His post office and newspaper instruction was now no longer enjoyed, but the Holy Scriptures and the hymns of the Methodists still cultivated his literary tastes. The skill of his schoolmasters had been exhausted in teaching him arithmetic and reading, and in unsuccessful efforts to teach him penmanship. From his pious mother he learned religious truth, morals, and manners. In April, 1830, Philadelphia became his home. There sixteen hours out of twenty-four had to be devoted to the dry goods business. The storehouse at the northwest corner of Second and Pine streets was to him the "house of bondage," and to him threatened to become the grave of learning. He, however, continued to read much between ten and twelve o'clock at night and on Sundays. During his last two years in the great city

he was released from business every other night, and attended the meetings of a literary lyceum once a week. With an almost insane desire for literary distinction, he frequently scribbled the crude thoughts of one who had not been taught a rule of grammar, nor a line of geography or history. In the fall of 1837 he wrote on the back of a note of the Southern Loan Company the lines beginning, "Best of thy kind." They were printed in the *Saturday Courier*, and complimented as "an exquisite morceau." The same paper printed "It is Not Daydream" and "The Triumphs of Intemperance." In October, 1838, Lexington, Ky., became our brother's home. There he continued to write, but as his friend George R. Graham had become editor of the *Casket* and the *Saturday Evening Post*, his contributions appeared in the *Post*, or in the Lexington papers. The Union Philosophical Society of Transylvania University accepted him as a member, and in 1839 elected him to deliver one of its anniversary addresses. On the 10th of May of that year he was

Wakened by the voice of truth
From daydreams that entranced his youth.
Those dreams had passed, and hopes of heaven
To nobler themes his thoughts had given.

The salvation of his own soul and the souls of others seemed to him to require the renunciation of earthly ambition. He turned from oratory, poetry, and everything that could take attention or time from the work of the Christian ministry. As a favor to himself, his associates of the society kindly relieved him from the task of honor they had imposed. After this he wrote little poetry and published less. From 1844 to 1880 he had nothing printed. He was a Kentucky Methodist preacher fifty-seven years. He lived in Virginia until April, 1830; in Philadelphia until October, 1838; in Kentucky until September, 1857; in Jeffersbnville, Ind., until April, 1887; in Orlando, Fla., until April, 1889; from April, 1889, he resided in Nashville, Tenn. In all his wanderings, having never ceased to be a Virginian, he continued to "drag at each remove a lengthening chain." Brother Welburn was admitted on trial into the Kentucky Annual Conference in 1840; took the supernumerary relation in 1880, and became a superannuate in 1885. He was of general disposition and very agreeable manners. In the homes of Methodism he was entertaining and instructive. In Conference session he gave attention to every item of business. When he spoke it was briefly and to the point. As presiding elder he looked closely after the interests given into his care. Few things escaped his official notice. He had a kind and helpful regard for the preacher in charge. He praised and cheered the young. In

the pulpit he was a ready speaker and always a correct one. His sermons were illustrated by incidents from life, and some good judges regarded him in this respect as being without an equal among us. He was a revivalist, and labored for immediate results; was a good singer, and had ready a song for any emergency. He was a church-builder, and looked well after the collections in his pastoral charges. He gave unusual attention to the literature of the Church; circulated the church paper of his Conference, and few preachers put so many religious books in the homes of the people. He maintained a spotless name in the Conference and among the people. After retiring from the itinerancy brother Welburn tried commercial pursuits of various kinds, but was of too confiding a disposition to succeed in any of them; the tricks and schemes of the commercial world were foreign to his nature. After publishing "The American Epic," a concise scenic history of the United States, he made a business as well as a recreation of traveling the country over selling it. He said that he could not become a canvasser for another's book, but as the author he could sell this without compromising his dignity. He visited Richmond, New Orleans, Memphis, Chicago, St. Louis, Cleveland, Louisville, and other large cities, besides many small places, incidentally attending the Annual and two General Conferences. It delighted him to mingle with his fellow-itinerants. The proceeds of his book paid his expenses and sustained his modest household; so that to the day of his death he enjoyed the independence of self-support. About a year before his death he suffered a severe attack of vertigo, to which at long intervals he had been subject. For a week or more he seemed to have lost his mind and the control of his muscles, though not so ill as to be confined to his bed. It was during this attack that the report of his death was published; but he soon recovered, and during the remaining year of his life appeared as vigorous of mind and almost as strong of body as usual. He continued to travel with his book, and completed the sale of the fourth edition, meanwhile preparing for the issue of the fifth, the last page of which was written about two months before his death. His mortal illness came while he was at McMinnville, Tenn., about the 20th of December, 1896. His complete recovery was hoped for, but the day after Christmas body and mind began to fail, and from that time very little intelligible communication could be held with him. Whether or not he was conscious and rational could not be known, but his lifelong faith seems not to have failed, for among his last words were, "O my Master!" He gently sank to rest Saturday

evening, January 2, 1897, at his own home in Nashville. His body was interred in Cave Hill Cemetery at Louisville, Ky. The funeral service at Broadway Methodist Episcopal Church, South, was attended by a great number, including the Methodist ministers of the city. Loving eulogies were made by his brethren, Drs. Morton, Settle, Davison, and Foskett.

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

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

Lexington District.

	White Mem's.	Colored Mem's	Loc'l Pr's.
Lexington: High Street.....	552	.....	.....
Epworth.....	134	.....	.....
Spears.....	182	.....	.....
Paris.....	227	.....	1
Frankfort.....	280	.....	.....
Versailles.....	231	.....	.....
Georgetown.....	235	.....	1
Winchester.....	466	.....	1
Mt. Sterling.....	328	.....	.....
Old Fort.....	416	1	1
Grassy Lick and Mt. Zion.....	342	.....	.....
North Middleton.....	184	.....	1
Hinton.....	762	.....	.....
Mt. Hope.....	272	.....	.....
New Columbus.....	307	.....	3
Swallowfield Miss. on.....	240	.....	1
Corinth.....	191	.....	1
	5,349	1	10

Covington District.

Covington: Scott Street.....	285	.....	.....
Eleventh Street.....	313	.....	2
Newport.....	210	.....	.....
Highland.....	134	.....	1
Augusta and Foster.....	283	.....	.....
California.....	600	.....	2
Visalia and Independence.....	325	.....	.....
Falmouth.....	347	.....	.....
Carrollton.....	221	.....	.....
Petersburg.....	283	1	.....
Warsaw.....	378	.....	.....
Brooksville.....	334	.....	1
Walton.....	266	.....	.....
Cynthiana.....	312	.....	1
Williamstown.....	325	.....	1
Oddville.....	540	.....	1
Kelat.....	555	.....	1
Crittenden.....	200	.....	.....
Erlanger.....	156	1	.....
	6,067	2	10

Shelbyville District.

Shelbyville.....	257	.....	.....
Simpsonville.....	270	.....	.....
Taylorsville.....	243	.....	.....
Bloomfield.....	245	.....	.....
New Castle.....	231	.....	1
Port Royal.....	481	.....	3
Campbellsburg.....	374	.....	1
Bedford.....	484	1	1
Milton.....	400	.....	.....
Prestonville.....	198	.....	.....
La Grange.....	270	.....	2
Pleasantville and Eminence.....	323	.....	.....
Beards.....	215	.....	.....
Christiansburg.....	332	.....	1
Gratz.....	415	.....	1
Polsgrove.....	248	1	1
	4,986	2	11

Maysville District.

	White Mem's.	Colored Mem's.	Loc'l Pr's.
Maysville.....	318		
East Maysville.....	224		1
Millersburg.....	240		1
Flemingsburg.....	316		1
Tilton and Nepton.....	445	1	3
Hillsboro.....	502	3	2
Mt. Carmel.....	320		
Sharpsburg and Bethel.....	270		
Carlisle.....	313		
Owingsville.....	247		
Salt Well.....	461		4
Vanceburg.....	167		
Mt. Olivet.....	330		
Shannon and Sardis.....	274		
Germantown.....	408		
Tolesboro.....	198		
Dover.....	115		
Moorefield.....	337		1
Sherburn.....	180		
Kinney Mission.....	80		
	5,745	4	13

Danville District.

Danville.....	412		1
Harrodsburg.....	236		
Nicholasville.....	227		1
Perryville.....	408		2
Mackville.....	380		
Chaplin.....	421		
Lawrenceburg.....	273		1
Salt River.....	569	1	
Salvisa.....	327		2
Wilmore.....	390		16
Burgin.....	305	1	
Lancaster.....	275		
Stanford.....	625		1
Richmond.....	230		
College Hill.....	240		
Somerset.....	447		2
Pulaski.....	175		1
East Pulaski.....	486		
Mooreland.....	262		1
Burnside.....	59		
	6,746	2	28

Middlesboro District.

Middlesboro.....	78		1
Pineville and Barbourville.....	171		2
London.....	174		2
Whitesburg and Hindman.....	113		
Preachersville.....	224		2
Pine Hill Mission.....	150		3
Jackson and Beattyville.....	180		1
East Barnstadt.....	410		3
Irvine.....	113		
Campton.....	205		3
Hazel Green Mission.....	161		2
Moorehead.....	153		1
Frenchburg.....	173		3
West Liberty.....	180		3
Hazard and Hyden.....	45		
Clay City.....	266		3
Manchester Mission.....	42		
	2,838		29

Recapitulation.

Lexington District.....	5,349	1	10
Covington District.....	6,067	2	10
Shelbyville District.....	4,986	2	11
Maysville District.....	5,745	4	13
Danville District.....	6,746	2	28
Middlesboro District.....	2,838		29
Total this year.....	31,731	11	101
Total last year.....	31,128	15	108
Increase.....	603		
Decrease.....		4	7

Ques. 22. How many infants have been baptized during the year? 393.

Ques. 23. How many adults have been baptized during the year? 1,457.

Ques. 24. What is the number of Epworth Leagues? 58.

Ques. 25. What is the number of Epworth League members? 2,392.

Ques. 26. What is the number of Sunday schools? 261.

Ques. 27. What is the number of Sunday-school teachers? 1,884.

Ques. 28. What is the number of Sunday-school scholars? 14,595.

Ques. 29. What amount is necessary for the superannuated preachers and the widows and orphans of preachers? \$3,600.

Ques. 30. What has been collected on the foregoing account? and how has it been applied? \$1,571.92. Applied to claimants.

Ques. 31. What has been contributed for Missions? Foreign Missions, \$3,737.04; Domestic Missions, \$2,013. Total, \$5,750.04.

Ques. 32. What has been contributed for Church Extension? \$1,303.05.

Ques. 33. What has been done for the American Bible Society? \$334.90.

Ques. 34. What has been contributed for the support of presiding elders and preachers in charge? Presiding elders, \$6,221.33; preachers in charge, \$55,867.98.

Ques. 35. What has been contributed for the support of bishops? \$684.78.

Ques. 36. What is the number of societies, and the number and estimated value of church edifices? Societies, 330; church edifices, 289¾; value, \$725,825.

Ques. 37. What is the number of pastoral charges, and the number and value of parsonages owned by them? Charges, 110; parsonages, 65; value, \$96,600.

Ques. 38. What is the number and value of district parsonages? None.

Ques. 39. What are the educational statistics? Students enrolled in the Kentucky Wesleyan College and its two academies, 382.

Ques. 40. Where shall the next session of the Conference be held? The presiding elders for the incoming year were constituted a committee to select the place.

Ques. 41. Where are the preachers stationed this year?

LEXINGTON DISTRICT.

J. Reeves, P. E.

Lexington: High Street, C. F. Evans, J. Rand.

Epworth, L. Robinson.

Spears, H. R. Mills.

Paris, E. G. B. Mann.

Frankfort, George H. Means.

Versailles, J. O. A. Vaught.

Georgetown, W. A. Cooper.

Winchester, H. G. Henderson.

Mt. Sterling, J. W. Mitchell.

Old Fort, B. F. Cosby.

Grassy Lick and Mt. Zion, J. J. Johnston.

North Middleton, D. P. Ware.
 Hinton, F. A. Savage.
 Mt. Hope, W. T. Benton.
 New Columbus, George W. Boswell.
 Corinth, James L. West.
 Mortonsville, E. J. Terrill.
 Swallowfield Mission, to be supplied.
 Morehead, Luther E. Mann.
 President Kentucky Wesleyan College, E.
 H. Pearce.
 Agent American Bible Society, George S.
 Savage.

COVINGTON DISTRICT.

John R. Deering, P. E.

Covington: Scott Street, F. S. Pollitt.
 Eleventh Street, C. F. Oney.
 Newport, Olin Boggess.
 Highlands, J. W. Crates.
 Augusta, B. F. Chatham.
 Alexandria, J. W. Gardiner, R. M. Lee; J.
 C. Minor, Sup.
 Visalia, F. T. McIntyre.
 Falmouth, T. F. Taliaferro.
 Carrollton, H. G. Turner.
 Petersburg, J. W. Harris.
 Warsaw, W. W. Green.
 Brooksville, E. A. McClure; G. B. Poage,
 Sup.
 Walton, W. T. Rowland; G. N. Buffington,
 Sup.
 Cynthia, E. L. Southgate.
 Williamstown, J. W. Simpson.
 Oddville, T. B. Cook.
 Kelat, W. J. Doran.
 Crittenden, D. E. Bedinger.
 Erlanger, W. K. Dennis.
 University School, Newport, T. J. Dodd.
 Agent Children's Home Society, William
 Shoemith.

SHELBYVILLE DISTRICT.

A. Redd, P. E.

Shelbyville, W. F. Taylor.
 Simpsonville, F. K. Struve.
 Taylorsville, T. J. Godbey.
 Bloomfield, D. B. Cooper; W. H. H. Ditz-
 ler, Sup.
 New Castle, M. W. Hiner.
 Port Royal, J. H. Williams.
 Campbellsburg, H. C. Wright.
 Bedford, C. J. Nugent.
 Milton, T. W. Barker.
 Prestonville, R. B. Baird.
 Lawrenceburg, to be supplied.
 La Grange, George Froh.
 Eminence and Pleasureville, J. P. Strother.
 Beards, J. T. J. Fizer.
 Christiansburg, O. J. Chandler.
 Gratz, G. W. Crutchfield.
 Polsgrove, J. M. Johnson.

MAYSVILLE DISTRICT.

D. W. Robertson, P. E.

Maysville, J. S. Sims.
 East Maysville, George E. Rapp.

Millersburg, W. M. Britt.
 Flemingsburg, W. W. Spates.
 Tilton and Nepton, M. S. Clark.
 Hillsboro, P. J. Ross, J. S. Ragan; J. S.
 Walker, Sup.
 Mt. Carmel, A. P. Jones.
 Sharpsburg and Bethel, M. T. Chandler.
 Carlisle, B. E. Lancaster.
 Owingsville, C. A. Bromley.
 Salt Well, James E. Wright.
 Vanceburg, E. E. Holmes.
 Mt. Olivet, Len G. Wallace.
 Shannon and Sardis, J. D. Redd.
 Germantown, W. D. Welburn.
 Washington, U. W. Darlington.
 Tolesboro, S. H. Pollitt.
 Moorefield, R. H. Wightman.
 Burtonville Mission, to be supplied by L.
 E. Purdum.
 Millersburg Female College, C. C. Fisher.

DANVILLE DISTRICT.

W. F. Vaughan, P. E.

Danville, J. R. Savage.
 Harrodsburg, Julius Edwin Wright.
 Nicholasville, T. W. Watts; F. W. Noland,
 Sup.
 Perryville, E. H. Godbey.
 Mackville, W. A. Penn.
 Chaplin, W. T. Eklar.
 Salt River, to be supplied by W. P. Gor-
 don.
 Salvisa, M. F. Moores.
 Wilmore, E. C. Savage.
 Burgin, C. M. Humphrey.
 Lancaster, W. L. Clark.
 Stanford, W. S. Grinstead, J. M. Mat-
 thews.
 Preachersville, F. B. Jones.
 Richmond, G. W. Young.
 College Hill, W. F. Wyatt.
 Somerset, F. M. Hill; W. E. Arnold, Sup.
 Pulaski, to be supplied.
 East Pulaski, C. W. Clay.
 Moreland, W. L. Selby.
 Burnside, James L. Clark.
 Asbury College, J. W. Hughes, President;
 C. E. Boswell, Professor.

LONDON DISTRICT.

W. B. Ragan, P. E.

Pineville and Middlesboro, J. R. Peeples.
 London, Josiah Godbey.
 Barbourville, J. A. Sawyer.
 Hindman and Hazard, to be supplied.
 Pine Hill Mission, to be supplied by E. K.
 Pike.
 Manchester and Hyden, J. J. Dickey, Sup.
 Pittsburg, J. N. Ison.
 Irvine, Ed Allen.
 Campton, S. W. Peeples.
 Hazel Green Mission, J. R. Word.
 Frenchburg, to be supplied by P. C. Ever-
 sole.

West Liberty, J. R. Nelson.
 Clay City, S. M. Carrier.
 Jacksonville and Beattyville, to be supplied by W. S. Taylor.
 Conference Missionary Secretary, Julius E. Wright.

Transferred. — Cadesman Pope, to the Little Rock Conference; H. O. Moore, to the Western North Carolina Conference; H. T. Burger, to the New Mexico Conference; W. T. Bolling, to the North Mississippi Conference.

ILLINOIS CONFERENCE.

HELD AT MURPHYSBORO, ILL., SEPTEMBER 16-20, 1897.

BISHOP KEY, *President*; O. T. ROGERS, *Secretary*.

QUESTION 1. Who are admitted on trial?
 ANSWER. Thomas A. Rossiter, Ezra B. Crooks, Wayne C. Clark. 3.

Ques. 2. Who remain on trial? S. T. Hails, G. W. Rubush. 2.

Ques. 3. Who are discontinued? None.

Ques. 4. Who are admitted into full connection? W. A. Swift, R. C. Carpenter, H. D. Deming, Q. O. Whisnant, C. J. Pressley, J. R. Nelson, A. D. Hocker. 7.

Ques. 5. Who are readmitted? L. F. Lawrence. 1.

Ques. 6. Who are received by transfer from other Conferences? R. J. Crump, F. B. Campbell. 2.

Ques. 7. Who are the deacons of one year? W. T. Mathis, W. H. Clark, J. G. Haynes, J. E. Woodward, H. W. Buckner. 5.

Ques. 8. What traveling preachers are elected deacons? W. A. Swift, J. R. Nelson. 2.

Ques. 9. What traveling preachers are ordained deacons? W. A. Swift, J. R. Nelson. 2.

Ques. 10. What local preachers are elected deacons? T. J. McElwain, John Lockart. 2.

Ques. 11. What local preachers are ordained deacons? T. J. McElwain, John Lockart. 2.

Ques. 12. What traveling preachers are elected elders? H. W. Bostwick. 1.

Ques. 13. What traveling preachers are ordained elders? H. W. Bostwick. 1.

Ques. 14. What local preachers are elected elders? None.

Ques. 15. What local preachers are ordained elders? None.

Ques. 16. Who are located this year? R. J. Wells. 1.

Ques. 17. Who are supernumerary? C. S. Smith, H. Reed. 2.

Ques. 18. Who are superannuated? R. P. Holt, A. F. Rogers. 2.

Ques. 19. What preachers have died during the past year? William Marvin Toole. 1.

WILLIAM MARVIN TOOLE died January 8, 1897. His sickness was of short duration, only six days from seeming perfect health until the strong man yielded up this mortal life and went to rest. Appendicitis did its deadly work in spite of the best medical skill and the ministrations of loving hearts and willing hands. Brother Toole was a young man of great promise to the Church. He was the youngest child of the Rev. W. and Virginia Toole, who served the Church fifty-two years in the itinerant ministry of the Missouri Conference, Methodist Episcopal Church, South. He was born in Macon, Mo., December 19, 1872; attended school two years at Central College, Fayette, Mo.; was converted January 15, 1894; licensed to preach April 30, 1894, and appointed by Bishop Hendrix to supply the Worden Circuit, Rushville District, Illinois Conference, October 7. His labors were greatly blessed, and ninety-nine members were added to the church. June 5, 1895, he was married to Miss Nettie Bond, an excellent Christian lady, of Worden, Ill., whose influence and help were a great blessing to him in his ministry. The people greatly desired his return to Worden Circuit, but he was received on trial into the Conference and appointed to the Sherman and Glenarm Circuit, October 9, 1895. Nineteen members were added to the church and all the assessments paid in full, and the church at Sherman repaired. He and his wife were greatly loved by the people, who would have gladly received them again, but they were appointed to Mt. Zion, where they met with a hearty reception by all. The Lord graciously revived his work, and more than thirty members were added to the church. The finances were well up and the spiritual state of the church good. He attended the third Quarterly Conference, which was held on Saturday evening before his death, and carefully looked after all the interests of the church. He

was concerned more about the business of the Lord than his own, saying when told of his critical condition that we would leave it all to the Lord. A few hours before his death, while being prepared by the surgeons to undergo a serious operation, he said, "Brother Crooks, if I do not wake up, you take care of Nettie, and Nettie, you raise up Esther to be a good woman"; and when the heart-broken wife, with streaming eyes, said, "You must send some word, dear, to your mother," "Oh," said he, "she was the best mother a boy ever had; she never gave me any wrong advice." Would that all boys could say as much. Bishop Hendrix, when considering the advisability of appointing one so recently converted to an important charge, said: "I will appoint brother Toole to Worden. I do not know the young man, but I know he has an excellent Christian mother, and I am counting a great deal on her influence." He made no mistake. The bishops of the Church feel warranted in committing important trusts even to young and inexperienced men when they know they are backed by the counsel and prayers of a godly mother. In the death of brother Toole we feel that we are all deeply bereaved; but we bow with humble submission, confidently believing that in that great day of revelation of God we shall understand what now seems to us mysterious.

Ques. 20. Are all the preachers blameless in their life and official administration? Their names were called over, one by one, and their characters examined and passed, except those of J. M. Long and F. W. Tatum, who were left in the hands of their presiding elders.

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

Rushville District.

	White Mem's.	Colored Mem's.	Loc'l Pr's.
Rushville Circuit.....	249	.....	1
Schuyler Circuit.....	20	.....	.....
Marietta Circuit.....	179	.....	.....
Waverly Station.....	147	.....	1
Barr's Store Circuit.....	193	.....	4
Worden Circuit.....	175	.....	1
Tioga Circuit.....	256	.....	.....
El Dara and Detroit.....	275	.....	1
Mt. Sterling Circuit.....	243	.....	2
Girard Circuit.....	172	.....	2
Sorento Circuit.....	123	.....	1
Bluff City Mission.....	20	.....	.....
Mt. Zion Station.....	84	.....	.....
Sherman and Glenarm.....	104	.....	4
Gleucarbon Mission.....	31	.....	.....
	2,449	.....	17

Salem District.

Clay City Circuit.....	352	.....	3
Altamont Circuit.....	174	.....	1
Bome Circuit.....	320	.....	4

Salem District (Continued).

	White Mem's.	Colored Mem's.	Loc'l Pr's.
Kinmuddy Circuit.....	198	.....	1
Salem Circuit.....	181	.....	1
Woodlawn Circuit.....	278	.....	1
Odin and Centralia.....	259	.....	4
Patoka Circuit.....	236	.....	2
Keysport Circuit.....	80	.....	.....
Ashley Station.....	79	.....	.....
Farina Mission.....	68	.....	.....
Xenia.....	133	.....	1
	2,358	.....	18

Murphysboro District.

Nashville (Ill.) Station.....	162	.....	.....
De Soto Circuit.....	149	.....	1
Duquoin Circuit.....	151	.....	.....
Galatia.....	160	.....	1
Stonefort.....	160	.....	2
Waltersburg Mission.....	34	.....	.....
Marion Station.....	228	.....	2
Cairo Mission.....	67	.....	.....
Pulaski Circuit.....	106	.....	1
Grand Town Circuit.....	19	.....	1
Poplar Ridge Circuit.....	160	.....	1
Murphysboro Station.....	209	.....	1
Oraville Circuit.....	287	.....	3
Blair and Preston.....	42	.....	1
Baldwin Circuit.....	159	.....	1
	2,093	.....	15

Gosport District.

Gosport Circuit.....	224	.....	1
Nashville and Spearsville (Ind.) ...	140	.....	2
Nashville (Ind.) Circuit.....	191	.....	.....
Waldron Circuit.....	82	.....	1
Casey Circuit.....	153	1	.....
Dennison Circuit.....	175	.....	1
Shelbyville Circuit.....	156	.....	1
Pana Station.....	159	.....	2
Ramsey Circuit.....	84	.....	4
Taylorville Circuit.....	10	.....	.....
	1,472	1	12

Recapitulation.

Rushville District.....	2,449	.....	17
Salem District.....	2,358	.....	18
Murphysboro District.....	2,093	.....	15
Gosport District.....	1,472	1	12
Total this year.....	8,372	1	62
Total last year.....	8,235	.....	65
Increase.....	133	1	.....
Decrease.....	.....	.....	3

Ques. 22. How many infants have been baptized during the year? 137.

Ques. 23. How many adults have been baptized during the year? 373.

Ques. 24. What is the number of Epworth Leagues? 58.

Ques. 25. What is the number of Epworth League members? 2,148.

Ques. 26. What is the number of Sunday schools? 132½.

Ques. 27. What is the number of Sunday-school teachers? 987.

Ques. 28. What is the number of Sunday-school scholars? 7,003.

Ques. 29. What amount is necessary for the superannuated preachers and the widows and orphans of preachers? \$400.

Ques. 30. What has been collected on the foregoing account? and how has it been applied? \$280.31. Applied to claimants.

Ques. 31. What has been contributed for

Missions? Foreign Missions, \$235.09; Domestic Missions, \$158.84. Total, \$393.93.

Ques. 32. What has been contributed for Church Extension? \$142.35.

Ques. 33. What has been done for the American Bible Society? \$13.65.

Ques. 34. What has been contributed for the support of presiding elders and preachers in charge? Presiding elders, \$1,593.14; preachers in charge, \$12,578.46.

Ques. 35. What has been contributed for the support of bishops? \$132.75.

Ques. 36. What is the number of societies, and the number and estimated value of church edifices? Societies, 152; church edifices, 123; value, \$123,225.

Ques. 37. What is the number of pastoral charges, and the number and value of parsonages owned by them? Charges, 52; parsonages, 41; value, \$23,690.

Ques. 38. What is the number and value of district parsonages? Number, 1; value, \$800.

Ques. 39. What are the educational statistics? None.

Ques. 40. Where shall the next session of the Conference be held? Waverly, Ill.

Ques. 41. Where are the preachers stationed this year?

RUSHVILLE DISTRICT.

J. D. Crooks, P. E.

Rushville, J. E. Garrett.
Schuyler, W. D. Blaylock.
Marietta, R. J. Brewer.
Waverly, J. E. Woodward.
Barr's Store, Theodore Rogers.
Worden, G. T. Clawson.
Tioga, C. L. Hess.
El Dara and Detroit, W. H. Cunningham.
Mt. Sterling, W. H. Clark.
Girard, R. J. Watts.
Sorento, G. W. Jones.
Bluff City, A. D. Hocker.
Mt. Zion, W. A. Swift.
Sherman and Glenarm, to be supplied.
Glencarbon, G. W. Rubush.

SALEM DISTRICT.

J. N. Craig, P. E.

Kinmundy, H. T. Strout.
Salem, H. W. Bostwick.

Ashley, William Spenny.

Keysport, H. W. Buckner; C. S. Smith, Sup.

Odin and Centralia, L. F. Lawrence.

Rome, R. B. Campbell.

Xenia, H. D. Deming.

Clay City, J. W. Westcott.

Patoka, J. C. Denton.

Altamont, A. C. Clendening; H. Reed, Sup.

Woodlawn, J. W. Ogden.

Farina, to be supplied by E. E. Sherwood.

Conference Colporteur and Missionary Secretary, J. F. Purdue.

GOSPORT DISTRICT.

G. M. Burford, P. E.

Gosport, J. T. Loyall.

Nashville, Q. O. Whisnant.

Waldron, S. T. Hails.

Casey, H. J. Charlton.

Dennison, J. D. R. Brown.

Shelbyville, W. T. Mathis.

Pana, M. M. Durard.

Ramsey, to be supplied by A. R. Belt.

Taylorville, I. H. Lewis.

High Mound, to be supplied.

MURPHYSBORO DISTRICT.

R. P. Howell, P. E.

Nashville, W. R. Brown.

De Soto, J. G. Haynes.

Du Quoin, J. R. Nelson.

Galatia, C. J. Presley.

Stonefort, T. A. Ressiter.

Pulaski, T. E. Lavender.

Marion, W. H. Nelson.

Cairo Mission, J. N. Allen.

Grand Tower and Wolf Lake, to be supplied.

Oraville, R. C. Carpenter.

Baldwin and Blair, W. M. Nesbitt.

Murphysboro, O. T. Rogers.

Murphysboro Circuit, W. C. Clark.

Student at Central College, E. B. Crooks.

Secretary of Education, O. T. Rogers.

LOUISVILLE CONFERENCE.

HELD AT HENDERSON, KY., SEPTEMBER 22-27, 1897.

BISHOP WILSON, *President*; GROSS ALEXANDER, *Secretary*.

QUESTION 1. Who are admitted on trial?
ANSWER. Aleric E. Barrett, Roland W. Shemwell, Fred W. Pfeiffer, James R. McAfee, Thomas F. Barber, John L. Kilgore, Charles R. Payne, S. P. Pope. 8.

Ques. 2. Who remain on trial? John W. Tabor, Robert Johnson, Emerson W. Dowell, William Roy Waggoner, Grant Reynolds, W. R. Smith. 7.

Ques. 3. Who are discontinued? None.

Ques. 4. Who are admitted into full connection? Thomas H. Morris, Christopher C. Black, Preston Lee King, Charles W. Hesson, William E. Lyon, William O. Rickard. 6.

Ques. 5. Who are readmitted? James W. Bigham. 1.

Ques. 6. Who are received by transfer from other Conferences? S. L. C. Coward, from the Arkansas Conference; Joshua G. Freeman, from the Northwest Texas Conference. 2.

Ques. 7. Who are the deacons of one year? W. T. Miller, W. A. Hynes, Caleb F. Williams, F. M. Petty, George Y. Wilson, Thomas L. Hulse, George W. Pangburn, E. N. Metcalfe, Edmund D. Bog-gess, Joel U. Watson. 10.

Ques. 8. What traveling preachers are elected deacons? Thomas H. Morris, P. L. King, Christopher C. Black. 3.

Ques. 9. What traveling preachers are ordained deacons? Thomas H. Morris, Preston L. King, Christopher C. Black. 3.

Ques. 10. What local preachers are elected deacons? Harvey I. Wester, J. H. Bell, Grant Reynolds, Charles R. Payne, Edwin W. Holland. 5.

Ques. 11. What local preachers are ordained deacons? Harvey I. Wester, Grant Reynolds, Charles R. Payne, Henry T. Reed. 4.

Ques. 12. What traveling preachers are elected elders? E. R. Bennett, S. J. Thompson, Benjamin F. Atkinson, John E. King, James H. Richardson, Smith Givan, Frank M. Thomas, Edmund P. Crowe. 8.

Ques. 13. What traveling preachers are ordained elders? E. R. Bennett, S. J. Thompson, Benjamin F. Atkinson, John E. King, James H. Richardson, Smith Givan, Frank M. Thomas, Edmund P. Crowe. 8.

Ques. 14. What local preachers are elected elders? None.

Ques. 15. What local preachers are ordained elders? None.

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

Ques. 17. Who are supernumerary? Thomas M. Appling, Frank M. Thomas. 2.

Ques. 18. Who are superannuated? W. T. Reid, T. C. Frogge, C. Y. Boggess, G. W. Dennis, William Hamblen, J. R. Dempsey, J. U. Watson, W. W. Lambuth, J. J. Ruddell, J. P. Hogard, J. F. De Witt. 11.

Ques. 19. What preachers have died during the past year? Henry M. Ford, Seneca X. Hall, Silas Spurrier, W. A. Black. 4.

HENRY MELVILLE FORD was born December 18, 1824, and died July 14, 1897. His father, Robert C. Ford, M.D., received his education in Philadelphia, Penn., where he met and married Margarita Smith. He located and practiced his profession in Halifax county, Va. During a visit of his wife to relatives in Illinois, their son Henry was born. Two years later Dr. Ford died. Henry M. Ford was in the true line of Methodist succession. On his father's side he was, as his wife states, the grand-nephew of Bishop Coke; and on his mother's side, of the Rev. Caleb W. Cloud, once a member of the Kentucky Conference, and for many years a local preacher and practicing physician at Lexington, Ky. Some years after his father's death, his mother removed with her children to Simpson county, Ky. The family were all Methodists, but as there was no Methodist Church in the neighborhood in which they settled, they joined the Cumberland Presbyterian Church. Henry was sent to school at Princeton, Ky., where under the presidency of Dr. Richard Beard he was educated, finishing the course in June, 1849. In August following he married Miss Jane Elizabeth Smith, of Warren county, Ky. Feeling called to preach the gospel, brother Ford entered the ministry of the Cumberland Presbyterian Church—just where, we are unable to state. He took a very high stand in that Church, filling some of their best charges and applying himself with great success to raising funds for educational purposes. He was a close and profound student of God's word, and having

become convinced from his investigations that the Arminian theology as taught by the Methodist Church was more in harmony with the divine oracles than were the Calvinistic standards of his own Church, he sought, and was admitted to, connection with our Conference by recognition of orders in 1860 at Bowling Green, Bishop Early presiding. He often said that the severance of his relations with old friends and colleagues was one of the most painful acts of his life. In the Louisville Conference Henry M. Ford at once took high rank. As an expounder of the sacred Scriptures he had few if any equals among us. His method was to compare scripture with scripture, to explain scripture by scripture. In a peculiar and emphatic sense he "preached the word," and his sermons were mosaics of Scripture quotation, models that our younger and our older preachers might with profit adopt for their guidance. As a logician, he was clear in statement, guarded in his premises, and safe in his conclusions. In recognition of his scholarly attainments, Trinity College, North Carolina, conferred upon him the degree of doctor of divinity. In his earlier pastorates he was eminently successful as a revivalist. The flourishing and prosperous condition of Methodism in Owensboro to-day is largely due, under God, to the results of a great revival which occurred there under his ministry many years ago. Of superior judgment and executive ability, his services as presiding elder were in requisition during the greater part of his active itinerant career. In this capacity he became well known in almost all parts of the Conference, and had friends everywhere. The same qualities led to his appointment on the leading boards and committees of the Conference. His death terminated a long and useful service as a member of our Board of Education, while as a trustee of Logan Female College he rendered most valuable service at a very critical period of its history. As long as he was able to give of his worldly means, Dr. Ford was open-handed and liberal to all the enterprises of the Church. He was a man of fine presence and admirable social qualities, and was therefore a distinguished figure in any gathering. He was uniformly kind of heart and manner. To appreciate him one had to approach him on terms of close association. In his most intimate friendships he opened his heart fully, and therein was to be found the background of a humane and manly character. When bodily infirmities constrained him to take a superannuated relation to the Conference, he accepted the inevitable with grace, and spent the closing years of his life in the cultivation of his personal re-

ligious experience, and in sweet communion with his family and friends. He died in the home of William S. Ford, a most dutiful and affectionate son, at Corbin, Ky., and was buried at Bowling Green, Ky.

SENECA X. HALL was born March 31, 1836, near Georgetown, Ky., and died at Louisville, Ky., December 14, 1896. He was the son of Esquire John Hall, well and favorably known in Scott county. His ancestors came from the north of Ireland. After enjoying the best advantages of the country schools of his section, he finished his studies at Alleghany College, Meadville, Penn. While attending this school he was happily converted, and "bounded and shouted with a full heart." He was received on trial into the Kentucky Conference, September, 1856. There he labored for twenty-eight years, filling many of its best appointments. He came to us some sixteen years ago. Dr. Hall was a brilliant man, a fine speaker, and regarded by many as a superior preacher. Dr. G. H. Hays, from whom we have the above facts, says of him: "He scarcely ever wrote to me that he did not express his abiding faith in God and hope of final triumph in heaven. True he was at times given to levity and harshness of speech, which, with those who did not know him intimately, in a measure discounted his piety; but I always found him ready to talk of Jesus and his love, and in such terms as evidenced a consciousness of his saving grace and power."

SILAS SPURRIER was a character. Quaint, droll, and at times exceedingly dull, yet he was so sincere, his piety so deep, his consecration so entire, his life so consistent, and on essential theological points his opinions were so sound, and he was so true to Methodist standards, so faithful to his sense of duty, so persistent in his work, that take him all in all he was quite an interesting man. He had a good English education, both wrote and spoke correctly; was quite familiar with the writings of Wesley, Clarke, and Watson; had a good memory, of which he made good use. He managed his worldly business well; was economical and judicious in his investments, and was never embarrassed financially until during his latest days of age and feebleness. Ten years ago he erected the large county church in Grayson county, known as Spurrier's Chapel, for which he paid almost entirely out of his own private funds. He made this investment with a clear and comprehensive appreciation of all that was involved in it. His occasional contributions to our Church papers were always read with interest. He was born eighty years ago in Grayson county,

Ky., and died May 28, 1897. He was ready when the summons came.

W. A. BLACK was born in Sumner county, Tenn., August 28, 1865. He was converted January 10, 1888, and admitted on trial into the Louisville Conference September, 1890. He was ordained deacon at the Conference of 1892. He located that he might attend the Vanderbilt Training School, where he spent three years finishing its course of study, and was readmitted at Madisonville, September, 1895. Brother Black traveled his first year as the colleague of the sainted Bunton on the Fordsville work. Then he was put in charge of Crofton Mission, where he did a good work and greatly endeared himself to the people. He did supply work for two years after he entered school, particularly during the vacation periods. Professor Crockett says of him: "He was a young man of fine character, incisive mind, boundless energy, and amiable disposition. He was successful in his work, and tireless in his endeavors to equip himself with a wide culture for the work so near to his heart—the ministry. His fellow-students often honored him with positions of distinction and trust. He was the first winner of the medal for oratory. When he finished the course and left the school, he carried with him the confidence and respect and high regard of the citizens of the community, the faculty, and the students." During the same fall that he was readmitted he had *la grippe*, which settled on his lungs and speedily blighted the fair promise of his young life. How strange to us! If this life were all, how inexplicably sad! But in the light of God's truth, "to die is gain." When the final summons came, he was ready. Brother, we shall greet thee again in the land where "there shall be no more death." He died at Phoenix, Ariz., March 17, 1897, aged thirty-one years.

Ques. 20. Are all the preachers blameless in their life and official administration? Their names were called over, one by one, and their characters examined and passed, except that of George F. Campbell, who was expelled for immorality.

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

Louisville District (Continued).

	White Mem's.	Colored Mem's.	Loc'l Pr's.
Louisville: West Broadway.....	418	.....	.....
Fourth Avenue.....	399	.....	1
Jeffersonville.....	398	.....	1
Clifton.....	90	.....	.....
Wilson Memorial.....	174	.....	.....
Lander Memorial.....	164	.....	.....
Middletown.....	180	.....	.....
Asbury.....	139	.....	.....
Anchorage.....	.....	.....	.....
	4,858	1	9

Elizabethtown District.

Elizabethtown.....	228	.....	.....
Hardinsburg.....	229	.....	2
Hodgensville.....	348	.....	.....
Vine Grove.....	442	.....	3
Brandenburg.....	336	.....	.....
Big Spring.....	449	.....	1
Long Grove.....	350	.....	2
Falls of Rough.....	142	.....	2
West Point.....	242	.....	.....
McDaniels.....	317	2	2
Stephensport.....	331	.....	1
Constantine.....	323	.....	3
Louisville Circuit.....	499	.....	2
Wolf Creek.....	225	.....	.....
Leitchfield.....	126	.....	.....
South Leitchfield.....	147	.....	.....
Millerstown.....	221	.....	.....
Hardin Springs.....	116	.....	.....
	5,071	2	18

Owensboro District.

Owensboro: Settle Church.....	700	.....	2
Main Street.....	144	.....	.....
Owensboro Circuit.....	365	.....	.....
Yelvington.....	243	1	.....
Rome.....	360	.....	.....
Calhoun.....	288	.....	1
Beech Grove.....	175	.....	2
Hartford.....	369	.....	3
Hawesville.....	285	.....	1
Patesville.....	266	.....	.....
Cloverport.....	285	.....	.....
Ceralvo.....	320	.....	2
Lewisport.....	216	.....	1
Fordsville.....	384	.....	3
South Carrollton.....	282	.....	.....
Livermore.....	337	.....	1
Rosine.....	429	.....	.....
Pleasant Ridge.....	250	.....	2
	5,698	1	18

Henderson District.

Henderson.....	319	.....	.....
Audubon.....	320	.....	.....
Corydon.....	443	.....	3
Robards.....	436	.....	1
Morganfield Station.....	218	.....	.....
Morganfield Circuit.....	427	.....	1
Madisonville.....	355	.....	2
Hanson.....	554	.....	3
Slaughtersville.....	435	.....	2
Sacramento.....	259	.....	1
Sebree City.....	428	.....	2
Dixon.....	191	.....	1
Caseyville.....	424	.....	.....
	4,809	.....	16

Princeton District.

Louisville District.

	White Mem's.	Colored Mem's.	Loc'l Pr's.
Louisville: Walnut Street.....	553	.....	3
Broadway.....	713	.....	2
Chestnut Street.....	216	.....	.....
Main Street.....	429	.....	1
Jefferson Street.....	632	1	1
Portland.....	298	.....	.....
Rivers Memorial.....	60	.....	.....

Princeton and Rock Springs.....	275	.....	.....
Marion.....	197	.....	.....
Toll.....	626	.....	2
Shady Grove.....	335	.....	1
Salem.....	250	.....	2
Carrsville.....	360	.....	2
Smithland.....	232	.....	2
Grand Rivers.....	255	.....	.....
Eddyville.....	310	.....	.....

Princeton District (Continued).

	White Mem's.	Colored Mem's.	Loc'l Pr's.
Kuttawa.....	490	.....	2
Cadiz.....	215	.....	.....
Cernleau Springs.....	310	.....	1
Canton.....	247	.....	2
Star Line Works.....	223	.....	.....
Greenville.....	181	.....	2
Greenville Circuit.....	320	.....	1
Dawson.....	219	.....	3
	5,045	.....	20

Russellville District.

Russellville.....	219	.....	.....
Adairville.....	459	.....	2
Allensville.....	280	1	.....
Elkton.....	153	.....	2
Sharon Grove.....	557	.....	2
Kirkmansville.....	234	.....	2
Trenton.....	390	.....	.....
Hopkinsville.....	630	.....	1
Crofton Mission.....	346	.....	2
La Fayette.....	251	.....	.....
Anburn.....	447	.....	1
Elkton Circuit.....	423	.....	3
Hopkinsville Circuit.....	367	.....	1
Lewisburg.....	381	.....	2
	5,137	1	18

Bowling Green District.

Bowling Green: State Street.....	469	.....	1
Bowling Green Circuit.....	277	.....	1
Franklin.....	389	.....	.....
Franklin Circuit.....	400	.....	1
Glasgow and Dover.....	200	.....	4
Woodburn Circuit.....	264	.....	.....
Scottsville.....	110	.....	2
Horse Cave.....	530	.....	2
Glasgow Junction.....	379	.....	3
Smith's Grove.....	246	.....	2
Richardsville.....	438	.....	.....
Rochester.....	343	.....	1
Morgantown.....	395	.....	.....
Chapel Hill.....	609	.....	6
Canmer.....	240	.....	3
Barren River Mission.....	28	.....	.....
Scottsville Circuit.....	396	.....	2
	5,773	.....	23

Lebanon District.

Lebanon.....	169	.....	.....
Bardstown and Samuels.....	183	.....	1
Bardstown Junction.....	208	.....	.....
Springfield.....	149	.....	1
Bradfordsville.....	387	.....	1
New Haven.....	184	1	.....
Mansville.....	492	.....	2
Campbellsville.....	414	.....	2
Greensburg and Early.....	203	.....	.....
Summersville.....	309	.....	.....
Shepherdsville.....	254	1	2
Buffalo.....	452	.....	2
Upton.....	360	.....	1
Munfordsville.....	302	.....	2
Thurlow.....	330	.....	.....
Casey Creek Mission.....	328	.....	2
Jeffersonstown Circuit.....	355	.....	1
	5,079	2	17

Columbia District.

Columbia.....	321	.....	1
East Columbia.....	247	.....	1
Breeding's.....	623	.....	6
Fountain Run.....	297	.....	4
Croens.....	21	.....	.....
Bear Creek.....	382	.....	3
Albany.....	900	.....	9
Wayne.....	409	.....	6
Burksville.....	160	.....	.....
Renox.....	211	.....	3
Monticello.....	397	.....	2
Jamestown.....	206	.....	2

Columbia District (Continued).

	White Mem's.	Colored Mem's.	Loc'l Pr's.
Temple Hill.....	320	.....	3
Russell Mission.....	222	.....	.....
Edmonton.....	136	.....	.....
Peytonsburg.....	338	1	3
South Fork Mission.....	216	.....	.....
Summer Shade.....	30	.....	3
Chanute.....	105	.....	2
	5,852	1	43

Recapitulation.

Louisville District.....	4,858	11	9
Elizabethtown District.....	5,071	2	13
Owensboro District.....	5,698	1	18
Henderson District.....	4,809	.....	16
Princeton District.....	5,045	.....	20
Russellville District.....	5,137	1	18
Bowling Green District.....	5,773	.....	23
Lebanon District.....	5,079	2	17
Columbia District.....	5,852	1	43
Total this year.....	47,322	8	192
Total last year.....	46,382	12	191
Increase.....	940	.....	1
Decrease.....	.....	4	.....

Ques. 22. How many infants have been baptized during the year? 658.

Ques. 23. How many adults have been baptized during the year? 1,615.

Ques. 24. What is the number of Epworth Leagues? 48.

Ques. 25. What is the number of Epworth League members? 1,740.

Ques. 26. What is the number of Sunday schools? 366.

Ques. 27. What is the number of Sunday-school teachers? 2,671.

Ques. 28. What is the number of Sunday-school scholars? 22,381.

Ques. 29. What amount is necessary for the superannuated preachers and the widows and orphans of preachers? \$4,000.

Ques. 30. What has been collected on the foregoing account? and how has it been applied? \$1,867.29. Applied to claimants.

Ques. 31. What has been contributed for Missions? Foreign Missions, \$4,394.39; Domestic Missions, \$2,915.70. Total, \$7,310.09.

Ques. 32. What has been contributed for Church Extension? \$1,684.19.

Ques. 33. What has been done for the American Bible Society? \$252.66.

Ques. 34. What has been contributed for the support of presiding elders and preachers in charge? Presiding elders, \$9,121.50; preachers in charge, \$60,960.13.

Ques. 35. What has been contributed for the support of bishops? \$851.63.

Ques. 36. What is the number of societies, and the number and estimated value of church edifices? Societies, 513; church edifices, 466; value, \$801,830.

Ques. 37. What is the number of pastoral charges, and the number and value of parsonages owned by them? Charges, not given; parsonages, 115; value, \$134,935.

Ques. 38. What is the number and value of district parsonages? Number, 4; value, \$8,000.

Ques. 39. What are the educational statistics? Institutions, 2; value, \$65,000; endowment, \$29,000; officers and teachers, 15; pupils, 200.

Ques. 40. Where shall the next session of the Conference be held? Louisville, Ky.

Ques. 41. Where are the preachers stationed this year?

LOUISVILLE DISTRICT.

John W. Lewis, P. E.

Louisville: Walnut Street, M. B. Chapman.

Broadway, J. P. McFerrin.

Chestnut Street, C. Y. Smith.

Main Street, W. C. Brandon.

Jefferson Street, D. L. Collie.

Portland, J. T. Rushing.

West Broadway, George E. Foskett.

Fourth Avenue, H. D. Moore.

City Mission, George Needham.

Jeffersonville, B. F. Biggs.

Clifton, J. D. Sigler.

Wilson Memorial, S. G. Shelley.

Lander Memorial, E. W. Bottomley.

Middletown, A. D. Litchfield.

Asbury, L. B. Davison.

Conference Missionary Secretary, E. M. Crowe.

Student at Kentucky Wesleyan College, F. W. Pfeiffer.

Secretary Board of Church Extension, David Morton.

ELIZABETHTOWN DISTRICT.

G. B. Overton, P. E.

Elizabethtown, T. C. Peters.

Hardinsburg, S. K. Breeding.

Hodgensville, J. W. Bigham.

Vine Grove, C. F. Hartford.

Brandenburg, C. W. Hesson.

Big Spring, D. F. Walton.

Long Grove, W. T. Davenport.

Falls of Rough, W. T. Miller.

West Point, W. A. Hynes.

McDaniel's, J. B. Galloway.

Stephensport, B. A. Cundiff.

Constantine, W. F. Ford.

Louisville Circuit, S. P. Stiles.

Wolf Creek, R. W. Shemwell.

Leitchfield, G. F. Cundiff.

South Leitchfield, J. S. McDaniel.

Millerstown Mission, W. R. Waggoner.

OWENSBORO DISTRICT.

V. Elgin, P. E.

Owensboro: Settle Chapel, G. W. Briggs.

Main Street, C. F. Williams.

Owensboro Circuit, B. F. Orr.

Yelvington, J. P. Stubblefield.

Rome, J. T. McCormick.

Calhoun, W. F. Cashman.

Beech Grove, E. V. Dowell.

Hartford, Silas Newton.

Hawesville, U. G. Foote.

Patesville Mission, A. E. Barrett.

Cloverport, T. V. Joiner.

Ceralvo, J. H. Richardson.

Lewisport, J. C. Brandon.

Fordsville, Grant Reynolds.

South Carrollton, R. Y. Thomas.

Livermore, R. C. Alexander.

Rosine, T. F. Roland.

Pleasant Ridge, M. M. Hunter.

HENDERSON DISTRICT.

G. H. Hayes, P. E.

Henderson, R. W. Browder.

Audubon, W. R. Smith.

Corydon, J. C. Petrie.

Robards, B. C. Russell.

Morganfield Station, R. F. Hayes.

Morganfield Circuit, G. M. Everett.

Madisonville, S. H. Lovelace.

Hanson, D. S. Campbell.

Slaughtersville, E. E. Pate.

Sacramento, W. L. Corbin.

Sebree City, W. W. Kiser.

Dixon, C. D. Ward.

Caseyville, T. L. Crandell.

RUSSELLVILLE DISTRICT.

J. M. Lawson, P. E.

Russellville, James A. Lewis.

Adairville, D. L. Bowles.

Allensville, I. W. Emerson.

Elkton, E. P. Crowe.

Sharon Grove, James S. Chandler.

Kirkmansville, J. R. McAfee.

Trenton, A. P. Lyon.

Hopkinsville, W. K. Piner.

Crofton Mission, W. O. Rickard.

La Fayette, G. W. Lyon.

Auburn, J. E. King.

Elkton Circuit, P. H. Davis.

Hopkinsville Circuit, P. C. Duvall.

Lewisburg, Elias Smith.

Student at Vanderbilt University, Eugene Haralson.

Secretary Board of Missions, H. C. Morrison.

Professor in Vanderbilt University, Gross Alexander.

BOWLING GREEN DISTRICT.

J. F. Redford, P. E.

Bowling Green: State Street, H. C. Settle; F. M. Thomas, Sup.

Barry Street Mission, T. F. Barber.

Bowling Green Circuit, J. W. Love.

Franklin, J. T. Cherry.

Franklin Circuit, G. W. Shugart.

Glasgow and Dover, F. E. Lewis.

Woodburn Circuit, J. G. Freeman.
 Scottsville Circuit, S. L. Lee.
 Horse Cave, Joseph S. Chandler.
 Glasgow Junction, W. R. Godbey.
 Brownsville Mission, E. N. Metcalfe.
 Smith's Grove, T. H. Morris.
 Richardsville, H. G. Summers.
 Rochester, J. R. Crandell.
 Morgantown, E. M. Gibbons; T. M. Apple, Sup.
 Chapel Hill, S. F. Ashbrook.
 Canmer, R. H. Roe.
 Conference Colporteur, J. D. Gilliam.
 Agent Preachers' Aid Society, L. E. Campbell.

PRINCETON DISTRICT.

S. C. Allen, P. E.

Princeton and Rock Spring, T. J. Randolph.
 Marion, F. A. Mitchell.
 Tolu, Robert Johnson.
 Shady Grove, E. D. Bogges.
 Salem, W. H. Archey.
 Carrsville, R. T. McConnell.
 Smithland, B. A. Brandon.
 Grand Rivers, W. W. Prine.
 Eddyville, L. W. Browder.
 Kuttawa, L. M. Russell.
 Cadiz, J. D. Fraser.
 Cerulean Springs, B. F. Sheffer.
 Canton, S. L. C. Coward.
 Star Lime Works, G. W. Pangburn.
 Greenville, W. C. Hayes.
 Greenville Circuit, R. C. Love.
 Dawson, J. W. Crowe.
 Student at Vanderbilt University, H. T. Reed.

LEBANON DISTRICT.

C. R. Crowe, P. E.

Lebanon, J. L. Edrington.
 Bardstown and Samuels, F. M. Petty.
 Bardstown Junction, J. S. Scobee.
 Springfield, B. F. Atkinson.

Bradfordsville, E. R. Bennett.
 New Haven, W. E. Lyon.
 Mannsville, J. L. Reid.
 Campbellsville, G. S. King.
 Greensburg and Early, P. L. King.
 Greensburg Circuit, V. P. Thomas.
 Shepherdsville, J. C. Burkholder.
 Buffalo, W. B. Lucy.
 Upton, A. G. Fraser.
 Munfordville, J. S. Mitchell.
 Thurlow, Smith Givan.
 Casey Creek Mission, to be supplied by John Bowles.
 Jeffersontown Circuit, A. L. Mell.
 Jeffersontown, P. T. Hardison.

COLUMBIA DISTRICT.

J. L. Murrell, P. E.

Columbia, S. J. Thompson.
 East Columbia, J. S. Crandell.
 Gradyville, A. C. Gentle.
 Fountain Run, G. Y. Wilson.
 Crocus, to be supplied by T. J. Campbell.
 Bear Creek, J. O. Smithson.
 Albany, W. F. Hogard, R. D. Bennett.
 Wayne, U. S. Tabor.
 Burksville, C. R. Payne.
 Renox, T. L. Hulse.
 Monticello, T. G. Harrison.
 Jamestown, J. W. Tabor.
 Temple Hill, J. L. Kilgore.
 Russell Mission, to be supplied by T. J. Toler.
 Edmonton Mission, to be supplied by W. P. Sharp.
 Peytonsburg, S. P. Pope.
 South Fork Mission, to be supplied by J. E. Lovell.
 Summer Shade, J. L. Brown.

Transferred.—C. C. Black, to the Pacific Conference; R. B. Campbell, to the Illinois Conference; Bernard Pos, to the Montana Conference; W. Q. Vreeland, to the Alabama Conference.

CHINA MISSION CONFERENCE.

HELD AT SHANGHAI, CHINA, SEPTEMBER 22-27, 1897.

A. P. PARKER, *President*; T. A. HEARN, *Secretary*.

QUESTION 1. Who are admitted on trial?
 ANSWER. C. T. Collyer, Tsa Seh-Tsz. 2.

Ques. 2. Who remain on trial? E. Pilley, Ng Dong-Hsien. 2.

Ques. 3. Who are discontinued? None.

Ques. 4. Who are admitted into full con-

nection? J. B. Fearn, M.D., C. T. Collyer, Li Dzong-Deu, Fong Yo-en-Fu. 4.

Ques. 5. Who are readmitted? None.

Ques. 6. Who are received by transfer from other Conferences? J. W. Cline, from the Little Rock Conference. 1.

- Ques. 7. Who are the deacons of one year? Sz Tsz-Kwen. 1.
- Ques. 8. What traveling preachers are elected deacons? J. B. Fearn, C. T. Collyer, Li Dzong-Deu, Fong Yoen-Fu. 4.
- Ques. 9. What traveling preachers are ordained deacons? None.
- Ques. 10. What local preachers are elected deacons? None.
- Ques. 11. What local preachers are ordained deacons? None.
- Ques. 12. What traveling preachers are elected elders? C. T. Collyer, Ling Tsz-Yien, Yan Mei Keng, Tsiaw Tsz-Fong. 4.
- Ques. 13. What traveling preachers are ordained elders? None.
- Ques. 14. What local preachers are elected elders? None.
- Ques. 15. What local preachers are ordained elders? None.
- Ques. 16. Who are located this year? None.
- Ques. 17. Who are supernumerary? None.
- Ques. 18. Who are superannuated? None.
- Ques. 19. What preachers have died during the past year? None.
- Ques. 20. Are all the preachers blameless in their life and official administration? Their names were called over, one by one, and their characters examined and passed.
- Ques. 21. What is the number of local preachers and members in the several circuits, stations, and missions of the Conference?

Shanghai District.

	Fore'n Mem's.	Native Mem's.	Loc'l Pr's.
Shanghai: Central Church	10	316	2
College Station.....	3	45	2
Sungkiang and Tsing Pu Circuit.....	2	37	.....
Nantsiang and Kading Circuit.....	3	48	2
	18	446	6

Soochow District.

Soochow, First Church.....	6	151	2
Kong Hong and Sen Gna Zien.....	5	39	.....
Changshuh Circuit.....	1	10	.....
Luhchih Circuit.....	.....	49	1
Nanzing Circuit.....	.....	56	1
	12	305	4

Recapitulation.

Shanghai District.....	18	446	6
Soochow District.....	12	305	4
Total this year	30	751	10
Total last year.....	27	718	8
Increase.....	3	88	2

- Ques. 22. How many infants have been baptized during the year? 31.
- Ques. 23. How many adults have been baptized during the year? 58.
- Ques. 24. What is the number of Epworth Leagues? 9.
- Ques. 25. What is the number of Epworth League members? 292.

- Ques. 26. What is the number of Sunday schools? 19.
- Ques. 27. What is the number of Sunday-school teachers? 135.
- Ques. 28. What is the number of Sunday-school scholars? 1,646.
- Ques. 29. What amount is necessary for the superannuated preachers and the widows and orphans of preachers? Nothing.
- Ques. 30. What has been collected on the foregoing account? and how has it been applied? Nothing collected.
- Ques. 31. What has been contributed for Missions? Domestic, \$150.95.
- Ques. 32. What has been contributed for Church Extension? \$29.25.
- Ques. 33. What has been done for the American Bible Society? \$3.80.
- Ques. 34. What has been contributed for the support of presiding elders and preachers in charge? Presiding elders, nothing; preachers in charge, \$333.97.
- Ques. 35. What has been contributed for the support of bishops? \$2.
- Ques. 36. What is the number of societies, and the number and estimated value of church edifices? Societies, not reported; church edifices, 10; value, \$13,550.
- Ques. 37. What is the number of pastoral charges, and the number and value of parsonages owned by them? Charges, 9; parsonages, 14; value, \$21,500.
- Ques. 38. What is the number and value of district parsonages? Number, 2; value, \$3,160.
- Ques. 39. What are the educational statistics? Anglo-Chinese College (Shanghai): Officers and teachers, 14; students, 244; value of property, \$96,250. Buffington College: Officers and teachers, 11; students, 139; value of property, \$7,233. Anglo-Chinese School (Soochow): Officers and teachers, 4; students, 68; value of property, \$500. McTyeire's School (for girls): Officers and teachers, 5; students, 38; value of property, \$5,000. Clopton Boarding School (for girls): Officers and teachers, 3; students, 30; value of property, \$2,250. East Side Girls' Boarding School: Officers and teachers, 4; students, 35; value of property, \$1,850.
- Ques. 40. Where shall the next session of the Conference be held? Shanghai.
- Ques. 41. Where are the preachers stationed this year?

SHANGHAI DISTRICT.

W. B. Burke, P. E.

- Shanghai: Central Church, J. L. Hendry, Ling Tsz-Yien; one to be supplied by Wong Tsz-Wé.
- College Station, A. P. Parker; one to be supplied by Sz Tsz-Tsong.
- Nantsiang, R. A. Parker, Dzeng Zing San, Li Tz Ni, Yan Mei Keng.
- Sungkiang, W. B. Burke, Fong Yoen-Fu, Tseu Ven-Ming.

Kanh Li, Tsiaw Tsz-Fong.
 Tsang Ien, Sz Tsz-Kwen.
 Sz Kyeng, Dong Moh-San.
 Anglo-Chinese College, A. P. Parker, President; G. R. Loehr, J. W. Cline, Professors.
 Review of the Times, Y. J. Allen, Editor.
 Absent on leave, M. B. Hill.

SOOCHOW DISTRICT.

T. A. Hearn, P. E.

Soochow: First Church, T. A. Hearn, Tsa Seh-Tsz.
 Kong Hong, D. L. Anderson, Li Dzong-Deu.

Changshuh, J. B. Fearn, E. Pilley, Ng Dong-Hsien.
 Nanzing, Sz Tsz-Kia.
 Luhchih, C. K. Marshall.
 Hospital Chapel, Dzeng Yin-Kyin.
 Buffington Institute, T. A. Hearn, President; W. B. Nance, Professor.
 Soochow Hospital, W. H. Park, M.D.
 Absent on Leave: B. D. Lucas; C. F. Reid, C. T. Collyer, Missionaries to Corea.

Transferred.—O. E. Goddard, to the Little Rock Conference; H. L. Gray, to the North Georgia Conference.

PACIFIC CONFERENCE.

HELD AT OAKLAND, CAL., SEPTEMBER 22-29, 1897.

BISHOP HARGROVE, *President*; L. C. RENFRO, *Secretary*.

QUESTION 1. Who are admitted on trial?
 ANSWER. Chatham L. McCausland, J. A. Gere Shipley. 2.

Ques. 2. Who remain on trial? J. O. Coppage, W. A. Lindsay, J. D. F. Houck. 3.

Ques. 3. Who are discontinued? None.

Ques. 4. Who are admitted into full connection? None.

Ques. 5. Who are readmitted? Hugh W. Curran, G. W. Archer. 2.

Ques. 6. Who are received by transfer from other Conferences? C. B. Riddick, J. G. F. Finley, W. E. Vaughn, J. W. Bain, Christopher C. Black, C. R. Montgomery. 6.

Ques. 7. Who are the deacons of one year? W. Acton, P. T. Ramsay, L. C. Smith. 3.

Ques. 8. What traveling preachers are elected deacons? None.

Ques. 9. What traveling preachers are ordained deacons? None.

Ques. 10. What local preachers are elected deacons? None.

Ques. 11. What local preachers are ordained deacons? None.

Ques. 12. What traveling preachers are elected elders? J. M. Pratt, C. E. Clark. 2.

Ques. 13. What traveling preachers are ordained elders? J. M. Pratt, C. E. Clark. 2.

Ques. 14. What local preachers are elected elders? None.

Ques. 15. What local preachers are ordained elders? None.

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

Ques. 17. Who are supernumerary? G. H. Newton, A. L. Hunsaker. 2.

Ques. 18. Who are superannuated? B. F. Burriss, J. Gnell, B. C. Howard, D. M. Rice, L. D. Hargis, A. F. Lee. 6.

Ques. 19. What preachers have died during the past year? Samuel Brown, Benjamin H. Russell, Eli H. Robertson, James G. Shelton. 4.

SAMUEL BROWN was born in Clay county, Mo., June 5, 1827. He came to California in 1849, at the age of twenty-two. His early manhood was spent in various employments. Though his educational advantages were quite limited, he at one time taught a district school. His parents were Primitive Baptists, but this did not prevent his conversion under the Methodist ministry, which occurred at a camp meeting held near Gilroy, Santa Clara county, in the fall of 1854. He was licensed to preach at Nevada City in 1856. The same year he served as a supply on Bodega Circuit, from which charge he was admitted on trial into the Pacific Conference the following year. He was afterwards admitted into full connection, and ordained deacon and elder. He was twice married—first to Miss Mary Clayton, of Suisun Valley, January 20, 1869; she lived but a few months. On June 16, 1872, he was again married, in Santa Rosa, to Miss Bettie Windsor, who, with their five children, survives him and mourns for him. Brother Brown's appointments after entering the Conference were as follows: 1857, Stockton Circuit; 1858, Mokelumne Circuit; 1859, San Bernardino; 1860-61, Petaluma Station; 1862, Sacramento Station; 1863-64, San Francisco; 1865, Santa Rosa Circuit; 1866, Suisun Circuit; 1867, agent for Pacific Methodist College; 1868, Petaluma and Santa Rosa Station; 1869-71, Santa Rosa Station; 1872-75, Suisun Circuit; 1876-79, presiding elder of San Francisco District; 1880-82, Santa Clara Circuit; 1883-85, Oakland Station; 1886-89, Santa Rosa District. In 1890 he was appointed to Hollister Station, and reappointed the next year, but soon after Conference was taken

from the station and placed in charge of San Francisco District to fill a vacancy caused by the death of the lamented Dr. C. Y. Rankin. Here he remained four years. In the fall of 1895 he was appointed to the Colusa District, to which he was reappointed in 1896. He fell at his post, at the district parsonage in Chico, November 15, 1896, just one month after the adjournment of Conference, and thus was closed an active ministry of forty years. Three days later, on Wednesday, November 18, his sacred dust was interred in the cemetery at the old stone church called Rockville, near Suisun, Solano county. Dr. J. C. Simmons conducted the services, assisted by several of his Conference associates, in the presence of a large number of relatives and friends. To no one man is the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, in California more indebted than to Samuel Brown. His preaching was strong, clear, forcible. He believed, and therefore spoke. Everywhere his ministry bore fruit, sinners being converted and saints edified and strengthened. As a pastor he had few superiors. He was sometimes sent to new fields and broken-down charges, not that others did not desire him, but that he might build these up. He never failed. As a builder, he was a veritable Nehemiah. He began such work at the beginning of his ministry, securing lots and building material for a church at Healdsburg during the year that he was a supply. By his efforts, the brick church at Petaluma was erected, and that at Santa Rosa (begun by George Sim) completed. The old Minna Street Chapel in San Francisco was a result of his year's ministry there. In fact, almost everywhere he went church property was secured or improved. We are more indebted to him for Pacific Methodist College than to any other man. Stationed in Santa Rosa when the school was moved there, devoting himself exclusively to the agency for one year, he secured most of the funds for the erection of the building, and, as a trustee, superintended its erection. He continued a trustee of the institution until his resignation a few years ago, and ever labored in its interest. He twice represented his Conference in the General Conference. This, with his thirteen years of service as a presiding elder, his position as college trustee and agent, and member of the publishing committee of the paper, and other positions of trust, indicate the esteem in which he was held by his brethren and the Church. Though raised a Calvinist, brother Brown was Arminian through and through. He knew the Scriptures, too, and believed them with all his heart. He was a man of strong convictions. Dr. Hoss well said: "He had no convictions to barter away." He had no patience with sham or cant.

You always knew where to find Sam Brown. Yet he was a charitable man. He admired a true man, no matter what their differences. He was a deeply spiritual man, and became more so as he advanced in years. Death found him ripe for the kingdom. On Thursday, November 5, he was taken with a severe pain in the chest, and from that hour he grew steadily worse. When in the midst of his greatest suffering, he murmured time and again, "God is so good," and at other times, "His mercy endureth forever." Near the end he said, "The angels, the angels!" When asked, "What about them?" he replied, "They are all about me, the angels! don't you hear them?" Though invisible to his attendants, who can doubt that they were there? God had sent them, as the chariot of fire for Elijah, to bear his servant home. May his mantle fall upon one or more of his sons, and a portion of his spirit upon each of us, his brethren and fellow-servants!

BENJAMIN H. RUSSELL was born in Virginia, October 12, 1812. He was converted at the age of twenty-one, and after serving the Church as steward and class leader ten years, he was licensed to preach in 1844. He was admitted on trial into the Iowa Conference, Methodist Episcopal Church, in 1845. In 1848 he joined the Methodist Episcopal Church, South. He did faithful work four years in the Indian Mission Conference. He was stationed one year at Independence, Mo., from which place he was transferred in 1852 to the Pacific Conference. He crossed the plains with his wife, who joyfully shared with him all trials and triumphs for sixty years. His appointments in California were as follows: 1853, Suisun and Napa; 1854, Petaluma and Bodega; 1855-56, Sacramento District; 1857, Colusa and Yuba City; 1858, Yuba City; 1859, Calaveras; 1860, Chico; 1861-62, Cacheville; 1863-65, presiding elder Petaluma District; 1866, Ukiah; 1867, superannuated; 1868, Berryessa and Napa; 1869-70, Yuba City; 1871-72, located; 1873-74 (readmitted), Princeton; 1875, Winters; 1876, Hopeton; 1877-78, Modesto; 1879, Santa Rosa Circuit; 1880-82, Woodbridge; 1883-86, Knight's Landing; 1887, Maxwell; 1888-90, Knight's Landing; 1891, superannuated. Very naturally, he desired to stand in the midst of the conflict, even after age had shorn him of his physical strength. The trying hour with him was not the dying hour, for he never died. It was the hour of superannuation. He was always recognized as a safe man anywhere. A modest, fearless, faithful Christian gentleman; prudent, aggressive, and loyal. He preferred others in honor. He was uncomplaining, never shirking. He asked no favors; was a father to the young and a brother to all.

He would not go in debt. He attended scrupulously to all details. No man ever rendered the Church better service in the Pacific Conference. He was uncompromising, but so judicious that he made no bitter enemies. He bade the Conference a loving farewell one year ago. He then visited some of the spots in California made sacred to him by victories won in the strength of Christ. After brief visits with relatives and friends, he took up his abode in the home of brother Mark Brown, near Knight's Landing, where he had spent so many years in great favor, thence expecting to go to heaven, and it was so. He made a few simple requests concerning his burial, placed the little sacred funds in the hands of his friend, looked into the face of Jesus and rejoiced; folded his hands, closed his eyes, and the angels took him home to God, January 5, 1897.

ELI H. ROBERTSON was born in the state of Illinois in the year 1833. He came of a Methodist family. His father was a traveling preacher in the Methodist Episcopal Church, as was also our brother; and a second brother was a local preacher in the same communion. Brother Robertson began his ministry in the Church of his father; as to the time and place of his admission on trial we have no knowledge. He was ordained deacon November 3, 1854, by Bishop Ames, in the state of Arkansas; and he was ordained elder in the state of Missouri by Bishop Baker, November, 1856. He was received into the Pacific Conference from the Kansas Conference of the Methodist Episcopal Church in 1873. Brother Robertson received twenty-four appointments in the Pacific Conference, as follows: 1873-74, Colusa Circuit; 1875, Tres Pinos Circuit; 1876, Bear River Circuit; 1877, Hicksville Circuit; 1878, Anderson Circuit; 1879, Los Banos Circuit; 1880, Chico Circuit; 1881-82, Anderson Valley Circuit; 1883, West Point; 1884-85, Biggs Mission Circuit; 1886, Adin Circuit; 1887-90, Indian Valley Circuit; 1891, Newville Circuit; 1892-95, Leesville Circuit; 1896, Anderson Circuit. Thus it will be seen that for twenty-three years brother Robertson went in and out among us; and while he had them, yet he was never known to complain of hard appointments. He never sought place in the Church, but stood ready to go to the remotest and most uninviting field. Nor was brother Robertson a stranger to affliction; indeed, he was "a man of sorrows, and acquainted with grief." In addition to the great bodily affliction which he suffered for many years, he was called upon to bury the wife of his youth, and in later years a second wife. But no one ever heard him say that the providences of God were hard or unjust; and when the

Master came he was at his post. His work at Anderson bade fair to be the best of his life. But at the very time when he seemed to have mastered his field and gotten things in hand for an advance movement, the Master said, "It is enough; come up higher." And so, January 11, 1897, the spirit of E. H. Robertson took its departure out of this world; and he who had so long and faithfully toiled for the Church was transferred by the Bishop of souls from the Church militant to the Church triumphant. His last words were, "Tell the brethren I die at my post." Funeral services were held in the church at Anderson. After the services, the remains were taken in charge by the Masonic fraternity, and sent to Hicksville, Sacramento county, where he was laid to sleep by the side of loved ones. Truly, a good man is gone. We say farewell, but we shall meet him again.

JAMES GILBERT SHELTON was born near Paducah, Ky., June 14, 1829. In 1850 he came to California, and formed a copartnership with the Rev. R. A. Latimer, for a number of years a member of the Pacific Conference. Having together bought a ranch near San Juan, a friendship sprang up between these two as binding as that of David and Jonathan. Brother Latimer says, "I never knew a better, truer man than James G. Shelton." Long acquaintance and the most accurate knowledge of the inner and outer life add real worth of appreciation to the friendship of such men. Contact helps the friendship of the mutually worthy. He was converted and joined the Church early in life. He felt a call to preach, but resisted it. That old-time preacher, brother J. T. Cox, and brother J. C. Simmons were agents in God's hands in bringing him to yield to this call in 1854; and in 1855 he applied for admission into the Pacific Conference, and was up to the day of his death a pure, true, and faithful member. He has filled a long list of appointments, and always did his work well. These appointments, running through a period of more than forty years, were always received as from the Lord, and faithfully filled. To brother Shelton the voice of his Church and the powers that be were looked upon as of the Lord, and personal preferences were things unknown to him, for he was a faithful Methodist itinerant preacher. He has been appropriately called a Nehemiah to build, and has built churches and parsonages in many of our charges. He has also been a first-class man in paying off old debts on such property which had been encumbered by others' administration. He was a successful preacher and a general at camp meetings, holding twenty of them during his ministry. He received into the Church about seven hun-

dred members, and saw six of his converts enter the ministry. His work as a preacher was a success, and multitudes will rise up and call him blessed. His was a high standard of the Christian life. His character was always above suspicion and reproach. There is not a member of this Conference who does not love and honor his memory. On August 31, 1859, in Sacramento, by the Rev. Morris Evans, he was happily married to Miss Hattie McClenny. For thirty-eight years and two days these two walked harmoniously, lovingly, and faithfully life's pathway. They did each other only good. He remembered the last marriage anniversary, and said to the companion of his youth: "Hattie, if I must go soon, and if it is the Lord's will, I should like to go to-day." Six children blessed this union; four are still with us; two went away when small, and sleep in the same grave at Colusa, Cal. He was passionately fond of his children, and when he realized that he must leave these here, with their mother, he said: "I shall not be a stranger over there. I shall know many people; but, oh! a great joy comes to me now, for my precious children that were stolen away by diphtheria so long ago I shall soon clasp in my bosom once more." One year ago his brethren saw and realized what he did not—we found him too feeble to longer take work. What it cost him to submit and be retired to the honored list can only be fully understood by those who have had a similar experience. He was faithful in the work of the Church. He taught the Bible class in Sunday school until deprived of that privilege by sickness, three weeks before he went away. How much help he was to his pastor cannot be expressed in words. During this year he has been able to preach about once a month. His sermons were of a high order. He excelled when preaching on Adoption, Regeneration, the Witness of the Spirit, and kindred themes. We have seen him, in feeble health, declaring the mighty things of God on these themes, and his face would light up with a radiance not given of anything this side the stars, but from the Master's head and life, until heaven and earth seemed very close together. Such sermons were the ripe fruit of a long and useful life well spent. His life was the full corn in the ear. He was a gentleman, kind, considerate, loving, tender. Even when too weak to speak, the smallest kindness was gracefully acknowledged. He was ever thus in his home. And such a home! It was in the home that his character burned with new brilliance. Just a few days before he went away he sang:

In every condition, in sickness, in health,
 In poverty's vale or abounding in wealth,
 At home and abroad, on the land, on the sea,
 As thy days may demand shall thy strength ever be,

These were the last lines he ever sang. But oftentimes he was rapturously happy, and shouted and praised God. He wanted to live, but was willing to go. He knew the end to be near, and set his house in order. He gave a blessing to each member of his family and others who came to see him. He said: "Tell the brethren of the Pacific Conference that I love them all; that the gospel I have preached all these years is not a myth, but a reality, and it sustains me now as I walk into, and will pass through, the valley of the shadow of death. Tell them to preach the gospel, preach the gospel, preach the gospel, and let other things alone, and love one another. Be at peace with one another, and be faithful and meet me in heaven." Then he often repeated, "It is well." Though fully advised of his going, yet the summons came swiftly. At six o'clock Friday morning, September 3, 1897, he was breathing as usual, when all at once the heart of this good man was stilled, and the soul winged its flight to God. The funeral services were held at Woodland, Cal., September 6, 1897; and a vast concourse of friends were present to participate and pay the last sad tribute of respect possible to our loved brother before we laid his body away in the Woodland cemetery to await the resurrection summons. We miss his counsel, his prayers, his presence here, but we know where to find him. Around the throne of God we will some day join hands again and sing:

Blessed be the tie that bound our hearts in Christian love;
 The fellowship of kindred minds is joyous here above.

Ques. 20. Are all the preachers blameless in their life and official administration? Their names were called over, one by one, and their characters examined and passed, except that of T. A. Atkinson, who had left the Church, and whose name was stricken from the roll.

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

San Francisco District.

	White Mem's.	Colored Mem's.	Local Pre's.
Centenary.....	182	.....	.....
Oakland.....	.....	.....	.....
Sacramento.....	199	.....	1
San Jose.....	222	.....	3
Alameda.....	92	.....	.....
Hollister.....	177	.....	2
Salinas.....	108	.....	.....
Gilroy.....	64	.....	.....
Mountain View.....	85	.....	.....
Bear Valley.....	50	1	1
Lincoln.....	117	.....	.....
Wheatland.....	71	.....	.....
San Lucas and Bradley.....	61	.....	.....
	1,527	1	7

Santa Rosa District.

	White Mem's.	Colored Mem's.	Loc'l Pr's.
Santa Rosa.....	313	.....	4
Petaluma.....	47	.....	.....
Ukiah.....	214	1	2
Cloverdale.....	89	.....	.....
Healdsburg.....	145	.....	.....
Lakeport.....	181	.....	.....
Potter Valley.....	130	.....	.....
Rockville.....	38	.....	.....
Winters and Davisville.....	75	.....	.....
Elmira.....	92	.....	.....
Woodland.....	88	.....	.....
Knight's Landing.....	97	.....	1
Dixon.....	20	.....	.....
Anderson Valley.....	96	.....	.....
	1,625	1	7

Colusa District.

Colusa.....	203	.....	.....
Chico.....	194	.....	.....
Butte City.....	191	.....	.....
Yuba City.....	80	.....	1
Willows.....	124	1	.....
Maxwell and Sites.....	79	1	.....
Red Bluff.....	56	.....	3
Gridley.....	40	.....	.....
Orland.....	91	.....	.....
Leesville.....	31	.....	.....
Arbuckle.....	16	.....	.....
Anderson and Cottonwood.....	65	1	1
Millville.....	74	.....	.....
Big Valley.....	66	.....	.....
Sutter City and Grace.....	181	.....	.....
	1,501	3	5

Merced District.

Merced.....	110	.....	.....
Plainsburg.....	94	.....	.....
Modesto.....	87	.....	1
Linden.....	270	.....	2
Mariposa.....	45	.....	.....
Stockton.....	176	.....	.....
Sonora.....	67	.....	.....
Los Banos.....	98	1	.....
Madera.....	44	.....	2
Raymond.....	123	.....	1
Walnut Grove.....	38	.....	.....
Galt.....	70	.....	.....
Snelling and Livingston.....	40	.....	.....
Hornitas.....	103	.....	.....
	1,365	1	6

Fresno District.

Fresno.....	265	.....	1
Big Dry Creek.....	145	.....	.....
Selma.....	207	.....	2
Sanger.....	93	.....	1
Lemore.....	64	.....	.....
West Park.....	38	.....	.....
Dinuba.....	106	.....	.....
Visalia.....	147	.....	1
Woodville.....	277	.....	.....
Bakersfield.....	50	.....	.....
Kingsburg.....	62	.....	1
Tulare.....	33	.....	.....
Hanford.....	30	.....	.....
	1,517	.....	6

Recapitulation.

San Francisco District.....	1,527	1	7
Santa Rosa District.....	1,625	1	7
Colusa District.....	1,501	3	5
Merced District.....	1,365	1	6
Fresno District.....	1,517	.....	6
Total this year.....	7,535	6	31
Total last year.....	7,099	.....	45
Increase.....	.....	6	.....
Decrease.....	164	.....	14

Ques. 22. How many infants have been baptized during the year? 124.

Ques. 23. How many adults have been baptized during the year? 168.

Ques. 24. What is the number of Epworth Leagues? 67.

Ques. 25. What is the number of Epworth League members? 2,298.

Ques. 26. What is the number of Sunday schools? 105.

Ques. 27. What is the number of Sunday-school teachers? 668.

Ques. 28. What is the number of Sunday-school scholars? 4,864.

Ques. 29. What amount is necessary for the superannuated preachers and the widows and orphans of preachers? \$2,229.75.

Ques. 30. What has been collected on the foregoing account? and how has it been applied? \$1,430. Applied to claimants.

Ques. 31. What has been contributed for Missions? Foreign Missions, \$966.60; Domestic Missions, \$1,055.50. Total, \$2,022.10.

Ques. 32. What has been contributed for Church Extension? \$450.90.

Ques. 33. What has been done for the American Bible Society? \$117.75.

Ques. 34. What has been contributed for the support of presiding elders and preachers in charge? Presiding elders, \$4,198.14; preachers in charge, \$29,857.35.

Ques. 35. What has been contributed for the support of bishops? \$384.70.

Ques. 36. What is the number of societies, and the number and estimated value of church edifices? Societies, 113; church edifices, 82; value, \$315,190.

Ques. 37. What is the number of pastoral charges, and the number and value of parsonages owned by them? Charges, 72; parsonages, 51; value, \$45,740.

Ques. 38. What is the number and value of district parsonages? Number, 4; value, \$6,300.

Ques. 39. What are the educational statistics? One college; value, \$25,000; officers and teachers, 8; students, 103.

Ques. 40. Where shall the next session of the Conference be held? Oakland, Cal.

Ques. 41. Where are the preachers stationed this year?

SAN FRANCISCO DISTRICT.

C. R. Lamar, P. E.

San Francisco: Centenary, C. B. Riddick.

Alameda, J. A. G. Shipley.

Oakland, H. M. McKnight.

Gilroy, J. Buie.

Hollister, W. P. Andrews; G. H. Newton,

Sup.

Salinas, J. W. Bain.

Mountain View, W. A. Booker.

San Lucas and Bradley, W. A. Lindsay.

Lincoln, J. G. F. Finley.

Wheatland, Z. J. Neadham.

San Benito, J. C. Pendergrast.

Sacramento, W. E. Vaughn.

San Jose, J. E. Squires.

Klamath Indian Mission, J. Emery.

Japan and Chinese Home Mission, H. M. McKnight, Superintendent.
 Editor Pacific Methodist Advocate, R. P. Wilson.
 Conference Secretary of Missions, W. P. Andrews.

SANTA ROSA DISTRICT.

P. F. Page, P. E.

Santa Rosa, J. A. Batchelor.
 Pétaluma, to be supplied.
 Ukiah, J. Hannon.
 Cloverdale, D. Bauer.
 Boonville and Yorkville, J. D. F. Houck.
 Healdsburg, F. M. Staton.
 Lakeport, E. H. McWhorter.
 Potter Valley and Redwood, C. E. Clark.
 Rockville, to be supplied by T. G. Patterson.

Elmira, A. P. Few.
 Winters and Davisville, J. C. Hyden.
 Woodland, C. O. Steele.
 Knight's Landing, G. Baugh.
 Dixon, W. Acton.

COLUSA DISTRICT.

A. Odom, P. E.

Colusa, R. F. Allen.
 Chico, L. A. Green.
 Willows, W. D. Taylor.
 Red Bluff, L. C. Renfro.
 Princeton, C. R. Montgomery.
 Yuba City, W. J. Mahon.
 Maxwell, G. W. Archer.
 Gridley, to be supplied.
 Sutter City and Grace, J. M. Pratt.
 Arbuckle, L. C. Smith.
 Anderson, J. M. Parker.
 Big Valley, to be supplied.

Sulphur Creek, J. O. Coppage.
 Orland, S. T. Reeve.
 Millville and Ono, to be supplied.

FRESNO DISTRICT.

W. F. Coffin, P. E.

Fresno Station, J. E. Carpenter.
 Fresno Circuit, B. H. Greene.
 Big Dry Creek, W. M. Armstrong.
 Selma, P. T. Ramey.
 Sanger, to be supplied.
 Dinuba, J. Hedgpeh.
 Visalia, J. Wood.
 Woodville and Exeter, W. H. Cooper; A. L. Hunsaker, Sup.
 Kingsburg, J. W. Ray.
 Bakersfield, R. F. Beasley.
 Coalingo, J. M. Brown.

MERCED DISTRICT.

J. C. Simmons, P. E.

Merced, C. E. W. Smith.
 Plainsburg, R. A. Sawrie.
 Modesto, to be supplied by R. S. Boyns.
 Waterford, Charles C. Black.
 Linden, W. B. Austin.
 Milton, G. H. Frazer.
 Mariposa, H. Neate.
 Hornitas and Cathay, H. W. Curran.
 Stockton, H. C. Meredith.
 Sonora, J. F. Roberts.
 Los Panos, W. E. Phillips.
 Dos Palos, Christopher C. Black.
 Madera, W. A. Finley.
 Raymond, to be supplied by J. H. Neal.
 Walnut Grove, A. L. Paul.
 Galt, P. N. Blakenship.
 Snelling, A. F. W. Walters.

SOUTHWEST MISSOURI CONFERENCE.

HELD AT SLATER, MO., SEPTEMBER 22-27, 1897.

BISHOP FITZGERALD, *President*; C. C. WOODS, *Secretary*.

QUESTION 1. Who are admitted on trial?
 ANSWER. Henry Alpers, D. A. Beery, S. O. Borland, S. H. C. Burgin, L. R. Kenney, J. A. Lewis, W. W. Lewis, A. J. McCulloch, Henry Spiess, C. L. Stouffer, E. E. Swanson, O. M. Rickman, G. R. Wright. 13.
 Ques. 2. Who remain on trial? A. M. Kenney, Alonzo Patison, R. L. Pyles, R. J. Kyle, J. A. Chaney. 5.
 Ques. 3. Who are discontinued? Harvey Armstrong. 1.
 Ques. 4. Who are admitted into full connection? J. E. Alexander, T. A. Coffelt, J. C. Diggs, Charles Franklin, A. H. Godbey, C. W. Scarritt, O. E. Vivian. 7.
 Ques. 5. Who are readmitted? None.
 Ques. 6. Who are received by transfer

from other Conferences? W. P. Owens, A. B. Donaldson, W. J. Snow. 3.
 Ques. 7. Who are the deacons of one year? I. W. Longacre, C. W. Moore, F. M. Burton, H. C. McPherson, W. A. McClanahan, L. F. Clark, Mack Appleby. 7.
 Ques. 8. What traveling preachers are elected deacons? T. A. Coffelt, O. E. Vivian. 2.
 Ques. 9. What traveling preachers are ordained deacons? T. A. Coffelt, O. E. Vivian. 2.
 Ques. 10. What local preachers are elected deacons? Adam Smith, George M. Jones. 2.
 Ques. 11. What local preachers are ordained deacons? Adam Smith, George M. Jones. 2.

Ques. 12. What traveling preachers are elected elders? Harry Crum, E. K. Wolfe, W. P. Buckner, A. N. James, B. F. Alsup, R. E. L. Jarvis, C. Pugsley. 7.

Ques. 13. What traveling preachers are ordained elders? Harry Crum, E. K. Wolfe, W. P. Buckner, A. N. James, B. F. Alsup, R. E. L. Jarvis, C. Pugsley. 7.

Ques. 14. What local preachers are elected elders? None.

Ques. 15. What local preachers are ordained elders? None.

Ques. 16. Who are located this year? A. N. Henderson, Alexander Boag. 2.

Ques. 17. Who are supernumerary? M. Duren, W. T. Eastwood, R. J. Nelson. 3.

Ques. 18. Who are superannuated? W. J. Brown, H. N. Watts, W. M. Prottzman, W. B. McFarland, T. J. Stringfield, Joab Spencer, J. M. Proctor, W. D. Stewart, W. S. Woodard, J. P. Barnaby, J. C. Shackelford, J. W. Bond, L. W. Pearce, J. L. D. Blevans, J. B. Landreth, M. Adkisson, J. P. Caldwell, T. M. Cobb, M. M. Pugh, J. A. Swift. 20.

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

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

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

Lexington District (Continued).

	Mem- bers.	Loc'l Pr's.
Warrensburg.....	227	.....
Knobnoster and Dresden.....	212	1
	3,580	5

Boonville District.

Boonville.....	317	.....
Pilot Grove and Bell Air.....	235	.....
Nelson Circuit.....	349	1
Arrow Rock and Smith's Chapel.....	206	.....
Marshall.....	422	1
Miama and Mount Carmel.....	237	.....
Orearville and Shiloh.....	215	.....
Slater.....	251	1
Gilliam and Cambridge.....	224	1
Bunceton Circuit.....	203	1
Prairie Home Circuit.....	331	2
California Circuit.....	275	.....
Russellville Circuit.....	340	1
Jefferson City.....	477	.....
Chamois Circuit.....	321	.....
	4,404	8

Nevada District.

Nevada: Centenary.....	565	6
Anstin Chapel.....	185	3
Moundville Circuit.....	201	1
Deerfield Circuit.....	116	.....
Rich Hill.....	226	1
Sprague Circuit.....	260	1
Hume Circuit.....	252	.....
Butler.....	183	.....
Everett Circuit.....	187	.....
Peculiar Circuit.....	215	2
Papinsville Circuit.....	143	1
Walker Circuit.....	125	.....
Montevallo Circuit.....	224	2
Sheldon Circuit.....	283	1
Lamar.....	69	.....
Eldorado and Mt. Vernon.....	246	.....
Eldorado Mission.....	131	2
	3,611	20

Kansas City District.

	Mem- bers.	Loc'l Pr's.
Kansas City: Central.....	796	4
Troost Avenue.....	329	1
Melrose.....	265	.....
Brooklyn Avenue.....	311	1
Washington Street.....	273	.....
Campbell Street and Garland Avenue.....	177	.....
Westport.....	237	1
Independence.....	456	.....
Raytown Circuit.....	225	.....
Lee's Summit and Point Pleasant.....	240	2
Blue Springs Circuit.....	207	.....
Pink Hill Circuit.....	348	1
Oak Grove and Pleasant Prairie.....	223	1
Lone Jack Circuit.....	220	1
Pleasant Hill.....	157	.....
Belton and Martin City.....	405	.....
Harrisonville.....	265	.....
Grain Valley Circuit.....	184	.....
	5,298	12

Lexington District.

Lexington.....	404	1
Wellington Circuit.....	226	.....
Odessa and Marvin Chapel.....	271	.....
Montserrat Circuit.....	180	.....
Columbus Circuit.....	376	1
Higginsville.....	155	.....
Lamonte.....	124	.....
Herndon and Houstonia.....	215	.....
Sweet Springs and Blackwater.....	159	1
Elmwood and Bethel.....	88	.....
Longwood and High Point.....	194	.....
Malta Bend and Grand Pass.....	161	.....
Waverly.....	143	1
Dover and Providence.....	180	.....
Corder and Blackburn.....	264	.....

Clinton District.

Clinton Station.....	300	.....
Montrose Circuit.....	320	1
Lucas Circuit.....	259	2
Lowry City Circuit.....	215	1
Lincoln Circuit.....	129	.....
Drake Circuit.....	417	.....
Calhoun and Bronaugh.....	234	1
Windsor Station.....	243	1
Windsor Circuit.....	200	.....
Green Ridge Circuit.....	301	.....
Sedalia Station.....	388	1
Otterville Circuit.....	324	1
Glenstead Circuit.....	314	2
Versailles Station.....	152	3
Appleton City and Schell.....	70	.....
Garden City Circuit.....	194	1
Chilhowie Circuit.....	174	2
Gunn City Circuit.....	235	1
Johnstown Circuit.....	148	.....
	4,617	17

Neosho District.

Neosho Station.....	190	5
Prosperity.....	200	2
Seneca Circuit.....	91	.....
Southwest City Circuit.....	173	1
Pineville Circuit.....	265	1
Newtonia Circuit.....	442	2
Washburn Circuit.....	155	1
Monett.....	107	.....
Pierce City and Bethel.....	140	.....
Red Oak Circuit.....	177	3
Jasper Circuit.....	153	.....
Carthage.....	246	1
Carterville.....	225	2
Webb City.....	276	.....
Joplin.....	170	.....
Mount Vernon Circuit.....	150	.....
Sarcoixie Circuit.....	179	1
	3,339	19

Springfield District.

	Mem bers.	Loc'l Pr's.
Springfield: St. Paul's.....	589	3
Campbell Street	225	2
Dale Street.....	121	.....
Willard Circuit.....	281	.....
Morrisville.....	247	4
Bolivar.....	105	1
Jericho Circuit.....	374	.....
South Greenfield Circuit.....	344	2
Ash Grove Circuit.....	109	3
Plainfield Circuit.....	292	1
Ozark Circuit.....	313	3
Henderson Circuit.....	351	2
Marshfield.....	113	1
Niangna Circuit.....	332	2
Morrisville Circuit.....	316	3
Fair Grove Circuit.....	391	3
Humansville Circuit.....	183	2
Lawrenceburg Circuit.....	290	2
	4,816	34

Lebanon District.

Lebanon	72	.....
Lebanon Circuit.....	311	1
Stoutland Circuit.....	131	.....
Richland and Dixon.....	106	.....
Decaturville Circuit.....	96	1
Vienna Circuit.....	118	.....
Buffalo and Urbana.....	108	2
Urbana Mission.....	182	6
Norwood Circuit.....	108	.....
Mountain Grove.....	104	.....
Plato Circuit.....	141	1
Ellis Prairie Circuit.....	67	3
Hermitage Circuit.....	133	3
Cross Timbers and Concord.....	215	.....
Crocker Circuit.....	147	3
Iconium Circuit.....	230	2
	2,324	22

Recapitulation.

Kansas City District	5,298	12
Lexington District.....	3,580	5
Boonville District.....	4,404	8
Nevada District.....	3,611	20
Clinton District.....	4,617	17
Neosho District.....	3,339	19
Springfield District.....	4,816	34
Lebanon District.....	2,324	22
Total this year.....	31,988	137
Total last year.....	31,841	133
Increase.....	147	4
Decrease.....		1

Ques. 22. How many infants have been baptized during the year? 358.

Ques. 23. How many adults have been baptized during the year? 1,546.

Ques. 24. What is the number of Epworth Leagues? 147.

Ques. 25. What is the number of Epworth League members? 5,091.

Ques. 26. What is the number of Sunday schools? 293.

Ques. 27. What is the number of Sunday-school teachers? 2,674.

Ques. 28. What is the number of Sunday-school scholars? 20,172.

Ques. 29. What amount is necessary for the superannuated preachers and the widows and orphans of preachers? Five per cent of the salaries of the preachers and presiding elders.

Ques. 30. What has been collected on the foregoing account? and how has it been applied? \$4,765. Applied to claimants.

Ques. 31. What has been contributed for

Missions? Foreign Missions, \$5,554.51; Domestic Missions, \$4,130.52. Total, \$9,-685.03.

Ques. 32. What has been contributed for Church Extension? \$1,421.97.

Ques. 33. What has been done for the American Bible Society? \$193.07.

Ques. 34. What has been contributed for the support of presiding elders and preachers in charge? Presiding elders, \$9,439.77; preachers in charge, \$66,901.93.

Ques. 35. What has been contributed for the support of bishops? \$1,116.40.

Ques. 36. What is the number of societies, and the number and estimated value of church edifices? Societies, not given; church edifices, 351; value, \$674,200.

Ques. 37. What is the number of pastoral charges, and the number and value of parsonages owned by them? Charges, 136; parsonages, 98; value, \$102,615.

Ques. 38. What is the number and value of district parsonages? Number, 2; value, \$4,500.

Ques. 39. What are the educational statistics? Central College: Officers and teachers, 12; students, 156; value of property, \$150,000; endowment, \$130,000. Central Female College: Officers and teachers, 14; students, 110; value of property, \$75,000. Scarritt Collegiate Institute: Officers and teachers, 9; students, 160; value of property, \$30,000; endowment, \$10,000. Morrisville College: Officers and teachers, 7; students, 109; value of property, \$10,000.

Ques. 40. Where shall the next session of the Conference be held? Lexington.

Ques. 41. Where are the preachers stationed this year?

KANSAS CITY DISTRICT.

W. T. McClure, P. E.

- Kansas City: Central, F. R. Hill.
- Troost Avenue, C. M. Hawkins.
- Melrose, C. M. Bishop.
- Brooklyn Avenue, J. M. Boon.
- Washington Street, A. B. Davidson.
- Campbell and Garland, S. H. C. Burgin.
- Westport Station, C. W. Moore.
- Independence Station, E. P. Ryland.
- Raytown Circuit, C. T. Wallace.
- Lee's Summit and Point Pleasant, F. M. Burton.
- Blue Springs and Atherton, J. Y. Busby.
- Pink Hill Circuit, J. R. Hedges.
- Oak Grove and Pleasant Prairie, G. L. Taylor.
- Lone Jack Circuit, J. J. Kellar.
- Pleasant Hill Station, O. M. Rickman.
- Belton and Martin City, C. W. Scarritt.
- Harrisonville Station, W. C. Bewley.
- Grain Valley Circuit, Alonzo Patison.
- Book Editor and Editor of The Methodist Review, J. J. Tigert.
- Editor of the St. Louis Christian Advocate, W. B. Palmore.
- Secretary of Education, C. M. Bishop.

LEXINGTON DISTRICT.

Clinton Clenny, P. E.

Lexington Station, B. V. Alton.
 Higginsville Station, W. A. McClanahan.
 Waverly Station, Perry Long.
 Warrensburg Station, S. P. Cayton.
 Lamonte and Dresden, J. R. Strong.
 Malta Bend and Grand Pass, L. H. Vandiver.
 Dover and Providence, N. M. Dowdy.
 Corder and Blackburn, A. B. Appleby.
 Elmwood and Bethel, E. E. Swanson.
 Odessa and Marvin, W. M. Rader.
 Sweet Springs and Blackwater, T. C. Puckett.
 Houstonia and High Point, W. J. Snow.
 Longwood and Herndon, T. D. Payne.
 Knobnoster Circuit, L. F. Clark.
 Columbus Circuit, J. H. Denny.
 Wellington Circuit, Charles Franklin.

BOONVILLE DISTRICT.

C. H. Briggs, P. E.

Boonville Station, J. W. Howell.
 Pilot Grove and Bell Air, W. B. Cobb.
 Nelson Circuit, W. W. Lewis, C. L. Stouffer.
 Arrow Rock and Smith's Chapel, E. Y. Ginn.
 Marshall Station, J. N. Huggins.
 Miami and Mt. Carmel, J. W. Ezell.
 Orearville and Shiloh, W. F. Briggs.
 Slater Station, A. R. Faris.
 Gilliam and Cambridge, S. J. Brown.
 Bunceton Circuit, J. W. Purcell.
 Prairie Home Circuit, J. C. Coss.
 California Circuit, W. G. Beasley.
 Russellville Circuit, A. H. Godbey; one to be supplied by G. P. Smith.
 Jefferson City Station, J. C. Given.
 Chamois Circuit, W. H. Suddath.
 Chaplain of Missouri Penitentiary, W. G. Pike.
 Student at Vanderbilt University, T. B. Harris.
 Conference Missionary Secretary, C. H. Biggs.

NEVADA DISTRICT.

J. M. Clark, P. E.

Nevada: Centenary, A. G. Dinwiddie.
 Austin, W. D. Matthews.
 Moundville Circuit, V. M. Crutsinger.
 Deerfield Circuit, Henry Alpers.
 Rich Hill Station, J. McCrory.
 Sprague Circuit, J. C. Diggs.
 Hume Circuit, J. L. Hagler.
 Butler Station, R. E. L. Jarvis.
 Everett Circuit, L. M. Philips.
 Peculiar Circuit, W. F. Wagoner.
 Papinsville Circuit, B. H. Steele.
 Walker Circuit, H. L. Anderson.
 Montevallo Circuit, A. G. Moore.
 Sheldon Circuit, S. G. Welburn.
 Lamar Station, J. A. Lewis.
 Lamar Circuit, J. M. L. Hoyle.
 Eldorado and Mt. Vernon, C. Pugsley.

CLINTON DISTRICT.

R. S. Hunter, P. E.

Clinton Station, J. L. Sullens.
 Montrose Circuit, J. F. Hogan.
 Lucas Circuit, C. A. Emmons.
 Lowry City Circuit, W. K. White.
 Lincoln Circuit, J. J. Hill.
 Drake Circuit, W. M. McAllister.
 Calhoun and Bronaugh, L. R. Downing.
 Windsor Station, J. E. McDonald.
 Windsor Circuit, D. A. Beery.
 Green Ridge Circuit, W. P. Barrett.
 Sedalia Station, A. H. Barnes.
 Otterville Circuit, Laban Anderson.
 Glenstead Circuit, W. B. Morgan.
 Versailles Station, A. L. Houston.
 Appleton City, E. K. Wolfe.
 Garden City Circuit, R. G. Flummer.
 Chilhowie Circuit, J. W. Patison.
 East Lynn Circuit, G. R. Wright.
 Johnstown Circuit, N. A. Auld.
 Student at Vanderbilt University, R. L. Pyles.

SPRINGFIELD DISTRICT.

J. B. Ellis, P. E.

Springfield: St. Paul's, C. C. Woods.
 Campbell Street, C. N. Scrivener.
 Dale Street, I. W. Longacre.
 Willard Circuit, T. A. Coffelt.
 Morrisville Station, J. F. Robb.
 Morrisville Circuit, W. L. McGuire.
 Bolivar Station, Mack Appleby.
 Jericho Circuit, G. H. Green.
 South Greenfield Circuit, J. R. Hargis.
 Ash Grove Circuit, Harry Crum.
 Plainfield Circuit, Jacob Shook.
 Ozark Circuit, R. J. Kyle; one to be supplied by J. F. Pryor.
 Henderson Circuit, L. R. Kenney.
 Marshfield Station, W. M. Bewley.
 Niangua Circuit, J. F. Pike.
 Fair Grove Circuit, W. P. Buckner.
 Humansville Circuit, S. O. Bourland.
 Lawrenceburg Circuit, Henry Spiess.
 Morrisville College, W. H. Winton.

NEOSHO DISTRICT.

J. King, P. E.

Neosho Station, W. C. Hill.
 Prosperity Circuit, M. Bahrenburg.
 Seneca Station, J. T. Swanson.
 Southwest City Circuit, H. C. Allen.
 Pineville Circuit, W. A. Bruce.
 Newtonia Circuit, J. J. Reed.
 Cassville Circuit, J. A. Matthews.
 Monett Station, A. B. Donaldson.
 Pierce City and Bethel, J. A. Jared.
 Red Oak Circuit, J. E. Harney.
 Jasper Circuit, C. Bruner.
 Carthage Station, L. P. Norfleet.
 Carterville Station, L. B. Ellis.
 Webb City Station, T. W. Alton.
 Joplin Station, A. N. James.
 Mt. Vernon Circuit, H. C. McPherson.
 Sarcoxie Circuit, O. E. Vivian.

LEBANON DISTRICT.

T. P. Cobb, P. E.

Lebanon Station, J. E. Alexander.

Lebanon Circuit, M. L. Darby.

Richland Circuit, C. C. Howard.

Buffalo and Urbana Circuit, C. G. Hamilton.

Mountain Grove Station, W. T. Gill.

Plato Circuit, to be supplied by J. W. Barlow.

Cross Timbers Circuit, B. F. Alsup.

Hermitage Circuit, Samuel Lopp.

Osceola Circuit, J. A. Chaney.

Vienna Circuit, A. M. Kenney.

Waynesville and Dixon, J. A. Kenney.

Buffalo Circuit, J. G. L. Mitchell.

Crocker Circuit, to be supplied by George M. Jones.

Transferred.—J. D. Wood, to the Denver Conference, and stationed at Colorado Springs; A. J. McCullough, to the West Texas Conference; W. P. Owen, to the Western Conference.

JAPAN MISSION CONFERENCE.

HELD AT MATSUYAMA, JAPAN, SEPTEMBER 29—OCTOBER 5, 1897.

B. W. WATERS, *President*; W. P. TURNER, *Secretary*.

QUESTION 1. Who are admitted on trial?
ANSWER. Ashida Keiji, Kugimiya Tokiwo, Takahoshi Yukichi, Imada Wakatsu. 4.

Ques. 2. Who remain on trial? Nishimura Yuben, Ota Gisaburo, Mito Kichitaro, Hori Minekitsu, Yanagiwara Naoto. 5.

Ques. 3. Who are discontinued? Toyozaki Zennosuke. 1.

Ques. 4. Who are admitted into full connection? Yanagiwara Namio, Thomas H. Haden, William P. Turner. 3.

Ques. 5. Who are readmitted? None.

Ques. 6. Who are received by transfer from other Conferences? None.

Ques. 7. Who are the deacons of one year? S. H. Wainright, S. E. Hager, Murakami Hirotsuke, W. J. Callahan. 4.

Ques. 8. What traveling preachers are elected deacons? Yanagiwara Namio, Thomas H. Haden, William P. Turner. 3.

Ques. 9. What traveling preachers are ordained deacons? None.

Ques. 10. What local preachers are elected deacons? None.

Ques. 11. What local preachers are ordained deacons? None.

Ques. 12. What traveling preachers are elected elders? Charles A. Tague, James T. Meyers, William R. Weakley. 3.

Ques. 13. What traveling preachers are ordained elders? None.

Ques. 14. What local preachers are elected elders? None.

Ques. 15. What local preachers are ordained elders? None.

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

Ques. 17. Who are supernumerary? None.

Ques. 18. Who are superannuated? None.

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

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

Ques. 21. What is the number of local preachers and members in the several circuits, stations, and missions of the Conference? Local preachers, 18; members, 559. Increase membership, 17; decrease, local preachers, 2. For details, see page 226.

Ques. 22. How many infants have been baptized during the year? 28.

Ques. 23. How many adults have been baptized during the year? 76.

Ques. 24. What is the number of Epworth Leagues? 1.

Ques. 25. What is the number of Epworth League members? 25.

Ques. 26. What is the number of Sunday schools? 54.

Ques. 27. What is the number of Sunday-school teachers? 73.

Ques. 28. What is the number of Sunday-school scholars? 1,554.

Ques. 29. What amount is necessary for the superannuated preachers and the widows and orphans of preachers? Nothing.

Ques. 30. What has been collected on the foregoing account? and how has it been applied? Nothing.

Ques. 31. What has been contributed for Missions? Domestic, \$558.72.

Ques. 32. What has been contributed for Church Extension? Nothing.

Ques. 33. What has been done for the American Bible Society? Nothing.

Ques. 34. What has been contributed for the support of presiding elders and

preachers in charge? Presiding elders, nothing; preachers in charge, \$317.98.

Ques. 35. What has been contributed for the support of bishops? Nothing.

Ques. 36. What is the number of societies, and the number and estimated value of church edifices? Societies, 12; church edifices, 9; value, \$6,454.

Ques. 37. What is the number of pastoral charges, and the number and value of parsonages owned by them? Charges, 14; parsonages, 10; value, \$7,332.50.

Ques. 38. What is the number and value of district parsonages? None.

Ques. 39. What are the educational statistics? Boarding schools, 3; students, 232. Other schools, 7; students, 170. Kindergartens, 2; regular students, 88; free students, 30. Value of school property, \$22,320.

Ques. 40. Where shall the next session of the Conference be held? Kobé.

Ques. 41. Where are the preachers stationed this year?

KOBÉ DISTRICT.

B. W. Waters, P. E.

Kobé Station, Usaki Kogoro.

Kobé Circuit, Y. Yoshioka.

Mikage, to be supplied by N. Nishikawa.

East Kobé, to be supplied by T. Nishikawa.

Harada, T. H. Haden.

Himeji and Awaji, to be supplied.

Sanda, to be supplied.

Kwansei Gakuin: Y. Yoshioka, President.

Biblical Department: T. H. Haden, Acting Dean; Y. Yoshioka, Professor. At home on leave: J. C. C. Newton, C. B. Moseley.

Academic Department: S. H. Wainright, Principal. Chaplain, S. H. Wainright.

Osaka Circuit, East and West Osaka, and Sakai: Y. Tanaka, B. W. Waters, K. Ashida.

Conference Colporteur, S. H. Wainright.

Secretary of Board of Missions, W. R. Lambuth.

MATSUYAMA DISTRICT.

W. E. Towson, P. E.

Matsuyama Circuit, J. T. Meyers, M. Hori.

Tadotsu Circuit, W. A. Davis, K. Mito.

Oita Circuit, W. R. Weakley, G. Ota, Y. Takahashi.

Unajima Circuit, W. P. Turner, Yanagiwara Namio, Murakami Hirotsuke.

Nakatsu Circuit, W. J. Callahan, Imada Wakatsu.

Transferred.—N. W. Utley, to the Memphis Conference.

ST. LOUIS CONFERENCE.

HELD AT DONIPHAN, MO., SEPTEMBER 29—OCTOBER 4, 1897.

BISHOP WILSON, *President*; E. B. CHAPPELL, *Secretary*.

QUESTION 1. Who are admitted on trial? ANSWER. Ornan D. Phillips, William J. Velvick, Robert E. Atkinson. 3.

Ques. 2. Who remain on trial? Emmett A. Hogan, James Ullery, Willis Carlisle. Coverdale S. Renison, Thomas N. Clayton, Harry L. Jenkinson, James M. King. 7.

Ques. 3. Who are discontinued? None.

Ques. 4. Who are admitted into full connection? John M. Moore, John A. Collins, Hampton R. Singleton. 3.

Ques. 5. Who are readmitted? None.

Ques. 6. Who are received by transfer from other conferences? Richard Wilkerson, from the Missouri Conference; J. W. Worsnop, from the North Alabama Conference; A. D. Haltom, from the Arkansas Conference. 3.

Ques. 7. Who are the deacons of one

year? Claude M. Davenport, W. T. Barnhouse, J. L. Bowling, J. F. Comer, W. A. Humphreys, L. D. Nichol, A. R. Williams, A. P. Saffold, Fred Eaker, Richard Wilkinson. 10.

Ques. 8. What traveling preachers are elected deacons? John A. Collins, Hampton R. Singleton. 2.

Ques. 9. What traveling preachers are ordained deacons? John A. Collins. 1.

Ques. 10. What local preachers are elected deacons? Lovell R. Mauk. 1.

Ques. 11. What local preachers are ordained deacons? Lovell R. Mauk, William L. Merrell. 2.

Ques. 12. What traveling preachers are elected elders? Claud M. Gray, William H. Pascoe, Alford O. Johnson, Ashley S. Coker, Robert D. Kennedy, William T.

Acuff, William J. Heys, Arnold H. Russell. 8.

Ques. 13. What traveling preachers are ordained elders? Claud M. Gray, William H. Pascoe, Arnold H. Russell, Ashley S. Coker, Robert E. Kennedy, William F. Acuff, Alford C. Johnson, William J. Heys. 8.

Ques. 14. What local preachers are elected elders? Harvey A. Buff. 1.

Ques. 15. What local preachers are ordained elders? Harvey A. Buff. 1.

Ques. 16. Who are located this year? T. W. Glass, V. B. Cunningham. 2.

Ques. 17. Who are supernumerary? None.

Ques. 18. Who are superannuated? J. C. Berryman, J. H. Headlee, C. E. DeVinney, S. Richmond, W. P. Gibson, A. T. Tidwell, W. C. Enochs. 7.

Ques. 19. What preachers have died during the past year? J. W. Lewis. 1.

JOSEPH W. LEWIS, son of Joseph W. and Katherine Lewis, was born in Huntsville, Ala., January 22, 1832. He entered Center College, Danville, Ky., at the age of sixteen, and there took the degree of Bachelor of Arts. At the completion of his course at Danville he entered the Theological Seminary at Concord, N. H., but remained only one year, when he entered Princeton Theological Seminary, in New Jersey, whose course of study he completed in 1856. He came immediately to Missouri, where his mother had located, and entered upon his ministerial life work in the St. Louis Conference in the month of September, forty-one years ago. His appointments were as follows: Dover, two years; Boonville, two years; Bellfontaine, Manchester, and St. Louis Circuit, two years each; Kansas City, Walnut Street, four years; St. Louis District, one year; First Church, one year; St. John's, four years; again on the district, and then at Centenary Church, and back again to St. John's, four years, and then to Kirkwood, two years. In 1888 he was appointed Agent of the American Bible Society in Missouri, and that of the fund of the superannuated preachers and the widows and orphans of such as have died in the work. In 1886 his health began to fail, but he continued to work until he was forced to retire, three years before his death. He was thrice elected by the St. Louis Conference to the General Conference, and was appointed a delegate to the first Ecumenical Conference held in London, in 1881. October 27, 1856, brother Lewis married Miss Eliza Silver, of Lexington, Mo., a noble woman, whose Christian activity and devotion to her husband's mission contributed greatly to his success in the ministry. She died in 1886. From the effect and influence of this bereavement he never recovered. His de-

cline continued until called to meet her on the other shore. Brother and sister Lewis lost one child in infancy. Mary passed away thirteen months before her father. Three children survive: Mrs. S. T. Jamison, Silas S. Lewis, and Joseph W. Lewis, Jr., all of whom are members of St. John's Church, St. Louis, Mo. Joseph W. Lewis possessed the elements of a well-balanced mind, and they gave symmetry and consistency to his life and character. He was an educated man. He had received such culture at home and in his schools that he found access to the educated and refined, as well as to the common people. His judgment was singularly good, and this made him conspicuous in the absence of great talent. He was a thoroughly converted man, and his life, molded by the grace of God, was uniform and consistent. He loved God and his service, and consecrated himself fully to the ministry to which he was set apart by the Holy Ghost. He carried the interest of his Church on his heart, and his zeal in its cause knew no abatement in the days of his strength and activity, and to the end he was faithful to every trust committed to his care. Although his preaching was not pre-eminent nor sensational, it was instructive and profitable. But it was in the pastoral work that his gifts and graces shone most brightly. He was diligent and persistent in it. He visited from house to house, the sick and poor alike, and his care for the children of every household endeared him to their parents. He had a sympathetic nature, and took the afflictions of his people to his own heart, and was thus enabled to impart comfort and relief when others had failed. He was mighty under God in lifting up the fallen, cheering the faint-hearted, and giving comfort to the sorrowful and bereaved. He possessed great force of character. Twenty years ago his influence in the St. Louis Conference was dominant. He had a warm place in his heart for his brethren of the Conference, and he gave them a hearty welcome to his home, and a large hospitality when the opportunity therefor was given him, and by his labor for the enlargement of the Conference fund, whereby the superannuated and the widows and orphans of those preachers that died in the work shall have food and raiment and shelter, he has laid us all under an obligation of grateful memory and thanksgiving to God for his labor of love. But he is not, for God has taken him. There is no need that we write of his slow decline and comparative helplessness for so long a time—his years of suffering and the final parting from loved ones. His life, which we know so well, assures us of his abundant entrance into the everlasting kingdom, and that another comrade walks the golden

streets, strikes the heavenly lyre, waves the palm of victory, and waits to welcome us to the mansions in our Father's house, the heavenly bliss, immortality, and eternal life.

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

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

St. Louis District.

	White Mem's	Colored Mem's	Loc'l Pr's
St. Louis: First Church.....	579		3
Centenary.....	1,225		6
St. John's.....	758		2
Cook Avenue.....	687		
Lafayette Avenue.....	673		1
St. Paul's.....	304		1
Marvin.....	354		4
Wagoner Place.....	267		
Mount Auburn.....	123	2	
Carondelet.....	109		
Immanuel.....	159		
Kirkwood.....	166		2
Bellfontaine.....	153		
Bridgeton.....	58		
Ferguson.....	40		
Clayton.....	68		
Beckville.....	83		
Cabanne.....	64		
	5,967	2	19

Charleston District.

Charleston.....	313		1
Sikeston.....	224		
Jackson.....	264		
Cape Girardeau.....	162		
Commerce.....	308		1
New Madrid.....	137		1
Charleston Circuit.....	230		1
Point Pleasant Circuit.....	178		1
East Prairie Circuit.....	337		1
Bertrand and Richwood.....	147		
Morley Circuit.....	456		4
Blodgett Circuit.....	100		
Morehouse Station.....	47		
Laffin Circuit.....	212		1
Caruthersville Circuit.....	424		3
Gayoso Circuit.....	310		3
	3,848		18

Farmington District.

Farmington.....	304		4
Bonne Terre.....	240		2
Fredericktown.....	309		2
Arcadia.....	99		
De Soto.....	209		1
Farmington Circuit.....	411		1
Fredericktown Circuit.....	230		
Potosi.....	166	1	1
Bellevue Circuit.....	339	1	1
Caledonia Circuit.....	275		
Des Loges Circuit.....	205		
Hematite Circuit.....	178		
Festus.....	143		
Marquand Circuit.....	525		1
Lutesville Circuit.....	347		1
Marble Hill Circuit.....	321		1
Plattin Circuit.....	233		
Pocahontas Circuit.....	495		
Oak Ridge Circuit.....	340		
York Chapel Circuit.....	301		
	5,464	2	15

Poplar Bluff District.

	White Mem's	Colored Mem's	Loc'l Pr's
Poplar Bluff.....	191		
Poplar Bluff Mission.....	95		2
Kennett and Bethel.....	334	1	
Shiloh Circuit.....	289		4
Grand Prairie Circuit.....	339		3
Bernie Mission.....	177		3
Dexter Circuit.....	285		
Malden and Campbell.....	152		
Clarkton Circuit.....	470		6
Bloomfield Circuit.....	230		1
Advance Circuit.....	268		3
Walnut Grove Circuit.....	261		2
Greenville Circuit.....	301		1
Piedmont Circuit.....	103		4
Barnesville Circuit.....	231		1
Grandin Station.....	170		
Williamsville Circuit.....	338		
Doniphan.....	148		2
Fair Dealing Circuit.....	266		2
Centerville Circuit.....	199		3
	4,847	1	37

Washington District.

Washington.....	127		
New Haven.....	83		
Labadie.....	165	1	
Manchester Circuit.....	153		
Mount Zion.....	47		
Eureka and Fenton.....	117		
St. Clair and Richwood.....	168		1
St. James.....	134		2
Salem and Steelville.....	149		1
Lake Springs Circuit.....	177		2
Lane's Prairie Circuit.....	143		2
Bourbon Circuit.....	120		
Jake's Prairie Circuit.....	148		1
Scotia.....	189		1
Licking.....	226		
	2,146	1	10

West Plains District.

West Plains.....	156		
Thayer.....	156		1
Alton and Thomasville.....	158		1
Garfield Circuit.....	312		3
Moody Circuit.....	199	1	4
Peace Valley Circuit.....	195		1
Pine Circuit.....	207		2
McDonald Circuit.....	258		2
Birch Tree Circuit.....	296		1
Willow Springs and Cabool.....	168		
Clear Springs Circuit.....	190		3
Sumnerville Circuit.....	314		2
Houston Circuit.....	111		
McDoe Circuit.....	250		1
Cedar Grove Mission.....	94		
Stone Hill Mission.....	121		1
Koshkonong Circuit.....	89		1
	3,274	1	23

Recapitulation.

St. Louis District.....	5,967	2	19
Charleston District.....	3,848		18
Farmington District.....	5,466	2	15
Poplar Bluff District.....	4,847	1	37
Washington District.....	2,146	1	10
West Plains District.....	3,274	1	23
Total this year.....	25,548	7	122
Total last year.....	26,699	7	141
Decrease.....	1,151		19

Ques. 22. How many infants have been baptized during the year? 640.

Ques. 23. How many adults have been baptized during the year? 1,149.

Ques. 24. What is the number of Epworth Leagues? 93.

Ques. 25. What is the number of Epworth League members? 3,534.

Ques. 26. What is the number of Sunday-schools? 238.

Ques. 27. What is the number of Sunday-school teachers? 2,119.

Ques. 28. What is the number of Sunday-school scholars? 18,629.

Ques. 29. What amount is necessary for the superannuated preachers and the widows and orphans of preachers? Five per cent of the salaries of traveling preachers and presiding elders.

Ques. 30. What has been collected on the foregoing account? and how has it been applied? \$4,234.30. Applied to claimants.

Ques. 31. What has been contributed for Missions? Foreign Missions, \$4,620.09; Domestic Missions, \$2,731.66. Total, \$7,351.75.

Ques. 32. What has been contributed for Church Extension? \$1,667.73.

Ques. 33. What has been done for the American Bible Society? \$229.56.

Ques. 34. What has been contributed for the support of presiding elders and preachers in charge? Presiding elders, \$7,164.39; preachers in charge, \$49,768.93.

Ques. 35. What has been contributed for the support of bishops? \$929.86.

Ques. 36. What is the number of societies, and the number and estimated value of church edifices? Societies, 385; church edifices, 263½; value, \$692,538.

Ques. 37. What is the number of pastoral charges, and the number and value of parsonages owned by them? Charges, 106; parsonages, 68; value, \$73,851.

Ques. 38. What is the number and value of district parsonages? Number, 1; value, \$1,500.

Ques. 39. What are the educational statistics? Collected for Paine and Lane Institute, \$186.41; collected for the General Board of Education, \$173.67. The Conference owns Bellevue Collegiate Institute, valued at \$15,000; Marvin Collegiate Institute, valued at \$30,000; and a joint interest in Central College, Fayette, Mo., and Central Female College, Lexington, Mo.

Ques. 40. Where shall the next session of the Conference be held? De Soto, Mo.

Ques. 41. Where are the preachers stationed this year?

ST. LOUIS DISTRICT.

J. W. Lee, P. E.

St. Louis: First Church, J. H. Early.
Centenary, to be supplied by John Nelson.

St. John's, B. M. Messick.
Cook Avenue, E. B. Chappell.
Lafayette Park, S. H. Werlein.
St. Paul's, F. R. Hill, Jr.
Marvin, J. M. Moore.

Wagoner Place, M. H. Moore.
Mt. Auburn, J. W. Keithley.

Carondelet, J. W. Worsnop.
Immanuel, W. H. Lewis.
Kirkwood, C. L. Smith.
Bellefontaine, J. F. Triplett.
Bridgeton, W. W. Moss.
Ferguson, C. M. Davenport.
Clayton, J. W. Robinson.
Beckville, to be supplied by L. R. Mauk.
St. Louis City Missions, T. M. Finney.
Cabanne, Richard Wilkinson.
Sunday-school Agent and member of Centenary Quarterly Conference, John Matthews.

FARMINGTON DISTRICT.

W. R. Mays, P. E.

Farmington, S. W. Emory.
Bonne Terre, J. K. P. Dickson.
Fredericktown, J. C. L. Boehm.
Arcadia, L. F. Aspley.
De Soto, J. Stephan.
Farmington Circuit, A. H. Russell.
Fredericktown Circuit, R. Walton.
Potosi, J. R. Eddlemon.
Bellevue Circuit, J. D. Doherty.
Caledonia Circuit, H. A. Smith.
Des Loges Circuit, L. D. Nichol.
Hematite Circuit, W. J. Heys.
Festus, C. P. Marchman.
Marquand Circuit, T. Lord.
Lutesville Circuit, L. L. Pinnell.
Marble Hill Circuit, J. B. Dodson.
Plattin Circuit, T. H. Clayton.
Pocahontas Circuit, A. R. Williams.
Oak Ridge Circuit, J. K. Matthews.
York Chapel Circuit, A. M. Robinson.
President Marvin Collegiate Institute, N. B. Henry.
Student at Vanderbilt University, Harry L. Jenkinson.
Student at Marvin Collegiate Institute, W. T. Barnhouse.

WASHINGTON DISTRICT.

J. B. Seay, P. E.

Washington, William H. Pascoe.
New Haven, T. P. Hill.
Labadie, W. Q. Donnan.
Manchester and Fenton, J. A. Collins.
Mt. Zion, J. F. Comer.
Merimec Circuit, J. L. Beard.
St. Clair and Richwood, C. Burton.
St. James, C. L. Rennison.
Salem and Steelville, C. M. Gray.
Lane's Prairie Circuit, to be supplied by E. S. Hogan.
Bourbon Circuit, to be supplied by J. F. Stukenbraker.
Oak Grove Circuit, T. L. Triplett.
Scotia, to be supplied by T. J. Hancock.
Licking, to be supplied by S. J. Upton.

CHARLESTON DISTRICT.

O. G. Halliburton, P. E.

Charleston, W. B. Pattey.
Sikeston, A. J. Green.

Jackson, L. H. Davis.
 Cape Girardeau, M. T. Haw.
 Commerce, O. H. Phillips.
 New Madrid, R. F. Chew.
 Charleston Circuit, to be supplied.
 Point Pleasant Circuit, to be supplied by Pleasant Rose.
 East Prairie Circuit, to be supplied by B. F. Ray.
 Wolf Island, to be supplied.
 Bertrand and Morehouse, L. M. Lee.
 Benton Circuit, C. M. Cagle.
 Blodgett Circuit, to be supplied.
 Scott Mission, to be supplied by W. M. Holland.
 Laffin Circuit, to be supplied.
 Caruthersville, James Ulery.
 Cottonwood Circuit, to be supplied by R. M. Ownby.
 Gayoso Circuit, to be supplied by T. C. Cooksey.
 Carlisle Training School, Willis Carlisle.

POPLAR BLUFF DISTRICT.

H. M. Eure, P. E.

Poplar Bluff, W. Lowe.
 Poplar Bluff Mission, A. G. Haltom.
 Kennett and Bethel, J. L. Bowling; one to be supplied.
 Shiloh Circuit, W. H. Paschall.
 Grand Prairie Circuit, A. P. Saffold.
 Bernie Mission, to be supplied by N. C. Chasteen.
 Dexter Circuit, E. J. Rinkel.
 Malden and Campbell, H. R. Singleton.
 Holcomb Circuit, J. A. Russell.
 Bloomfield Circuit, J. L. Batten.
 Advance Circuit, S. C. Biffle.
 Walnut Grove Circuit, F. Eaker.
 Greenville Circuit, A. S. Coker.
 Piedmont Circuit, W. A. Humphreys.
 Ellington Circuit, J. M. England.

Grandin Station, A. C. Johnson; one to be supplied by R. D. Reed.
 Williamsville Circuit, J. M. King.
 Doniphan Station, Z. T. McCann.
 Fair Dealing Circuit, R. E. Atkinson.
 Centerville Circuit, to be supplied by R. M. Reddick.

WEST PLAINS DISTRICT.

W. B. North, P. E.

West Plains, R. L. Russell.
 Thayer, R. D. Kennedy.
 Alton Circuit, T. Moore.
 Garfield Circuit, to be supplied by M. S. Newberry.
 Moody Circuit, L. T. Cole.
 Peace Valley Circuit, to be supplied by W. L. King.
 Pine Circuit, W. J. Velvick.
 McDonald Circuit, to be supplied by J. C. Simpson.
 Birch Tree Circuit, W. F. Talley.
 Cabool Circuit, W. F. Tyler.
 Clear Springs Circuit, to be supplied by Littleton H. Davis.
 Summerville, to be supplied by E. L. Thomas.
 Houston Circuit, to be supplied by George E. Parsons.
 McDoe Circuit, to be supplied by H. A. Buff.
 Cedar Grove Mission, to be supplied by J. J. Carty.
 Huzzah Mission, to be supplied by J. W. Riley.
 Fishertown Circuit, to be supplied by D. E. Barrett.

Transferred.—C. S. Mills, to the East Texas Conference; H. Hanesworth, to the Arkansas Conference; W. T. Acuff, J. W. Oliver, to the Memphis Conference; H. Whitehead, to the Missouri Conference; W. M. Freer, to the Tennessee Conference.

LOS ANGELES CONFERENCE.

HELD AT LOS ANGELES, CAL., SEPTEMBER 30—OCTOBER 4, 1897.

BISHOP HARGROVE, *President*; R. A. ROWLAND, *Secretary*.

QUESTION 1. Who are admitted on trial?
 ANSWER. William Washington Brunk. 1.

Ques. 2. Who remain on trial? Rufus Balaam, Claude Thompson, N. T. Thom-
 asson. 3.

Ques. 3. Who are discontinued? None.

Ques. 4. Who are admitted into full con-
 nection? Andrew V. Harbin. 1.

Ques. 5. Who are readmitted? J. T.
 Thornton. 1.

Ques. 6. Who are received by transfer
 from other Conferences? H. C. Chris-

tian, C. W. Hoag, C. L. McCausland, N. T.
 Thomasson. 4.

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

Ques. 8. What traveling preachers are
 elected deacons? Andrew V. Harbin. 1.

Ques. 9. What traveling preachers are
 ordained deacons? Andrew V. Harbin. 1.

Ques. 10. What local preachers are elect-
 ed deacons? William W. Brunk. 1.

Ques. 11. What local preachers are or-
 dained deacons? William W. Brunk. 1.

Ques. 12. What traveling preachers are elected elders? Robert A. Rowland, Shade W. Walker, Andrew Adkisson. 3.

Ques. 13. What traveling preachers are ordained elders? R. A. Rowland, S. W. Walker, A. Adkisson. 3.

Ques. 14. What local preachers are elected elders? None.

Ques. 15. What local preachers are ordained elders? None.

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

Ques. 17. Who are supernumerary? None.

Ques. 18. Who are superannuated? Abram Adams, C. C. Wright, L. J. Hedg-peth. 3.

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

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

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

Los Angeles District.

	Mem- bers.	Loc'l Pr's.
Los Angeles: Trinity.....	378	3
Bellevue Avenue.....	41	1
West End.....	100	2
Mateo Street.....	47	.....
Cahuenga.....	67	.....
Gardena.....	29	.....
Downey.....	170	3
Santa Ana.....	114	1
San Diego.....	91	1
San Bernardino.....	98	1
Norwalk and Ranchito.....	66	.....
Newport and Balsas.....	56	1
Ventura.....	34	2
Carpenteria.....	59	.....
Pomona and Duarte.....	143	3
Escondido and Valley Center.....	68	1
Menifee.....	47	.....
Lompoc.....	68	3
Redlands.....	48	1
	1,717	23

Arizona District.

Phoenix.....	165	1
West End Circuit.....	44	.....
Tempe and Bethel.....	145	.....
Jerome and Verde.....	52	.....
Prescott.....	49	.....
Williamson and Skull Valley.....	55	.....
	510	1

Recapitulation.

Los Angeles District.....	1,717	23
Arizona District.....	510	1
Total this year.....	2,227	24
Total last year.....	2,178	20
Increase.....	49	4

Ques. 22. How many infants have been baptized during the year? 35.

Ques. 23. How many adults have been baptized during the year? 63.

Ques. 24. What is the number of Epworth Leagues? 27.

Ques. 25. What is the number of Epworth League members? 855.

Ques. 26. What is the number of Sunday schools? 34.

Ques. 27. What is the number of Sunday-school teachers? 295.

Ques. 28. What is the number of Sunday-school scholars? 2,011.

Ques. 29. What amount is necessary for the superannuated preachers and the widows and orphans of preachers? \$525.

Ques. 30. What has been collected on the foregoing account? and how has it been applied? \$219.10. Applied to claimants.

Ques. 31. What has been contributed for Missions? Foreign Missions, \$805.23; Domestic Missions, \$316.15. Total, \$1,121.38.

Ques. 32. What has been contributed for Church Extension? \$214.12.

Ques. 33. What has been done for the American Bible Society? \$85.65.

Ques. 34. What has been contributed for the support of presiding elders and preachers in charge? Presiding elders, \$1,230.56; preachers in charge, \$7,477.87.

Ques. 35. What has been contributed for the support of bishops? \$127.80.

Ques. 36. What is the number of societies, and the number and estimated value of church edifices? Societies, 40; church edifices, 30; value, \$108,565.

Ques. 37. What is the number of pastoral charges, and the number and value of parsonages owned by them? Charges, 24; parsonages, 22; value, \$29,500.

Ques. 38. What is the number and value of district parsonages? Number, 1; value, \$600.

Ques. 39. What are the educational statistics? Collected, \$79.65.

Ques. 40. Where shall the next session of the Conference be held? Downey, Cal.

Ques. 41. Where are the preachers stationed this year?

LOS ANGELES DISTRICT.

H. C. Christian, P. E.

- Los Angeles: Trinity, J. J. N. Kenney.
- West End, W. L. Whisnant.
- Mateo Street, J. W. Allen.
- Bellevue Avenue, C. W. Hoag.
- Downey, T. L. Duke.
- San Diego, S. W. Walker.
- Santa Ana, R. A. Rowland.
- Azusa and Duarte, A. V. Harbin, W. W. Brunk.
- Redlands, E. J. Harper.
- San Bernardino, James Healy.
- Norwalk and Ranchito, J. T. Thornton.
- Newport and Balsas, Rufus Balaam.
- Carpenteria, Wade Hamilton.
- Ventura, to be supplied by R. T. Forbes.
- Cahuenga, C. S. Perry.
- Gardena, to be supplied.
- Pomona, C. L. McCausland.
- Lompoc and San Luis Obispo, G. H. Wilkinson.
- Menifee, Andrew Adkisson.

Escondido and Valley Center, to be supplied by J. A. Wright.

ARIZONA DISTRICT.

M. B. Sharbrough, P. E.

Phoenix, J. M. Weems.

Bethel, N. T. Thomasson.

Prescott, Q. A. Oats.

Jerome and Verde, Claude Thompson.

West End, to be supplied by Robert Wright.

Williamson Valley, to be supplied.

Tempe, M. B. Sharbrough.

NEW MEXICO CONFERENCE.

HELD AT EL PASO, TEX., SEPTEMBER 30-OCTOBER 5, 1897.

BISHOP DUNCAN, *President*; C. J. OXLEY, *Secretary*.

QUESTION 1. Who are admitted on trial?
ANSWER. W. E. Foulks, Edward Lebritton. 2.

Ques. 2. Who remain on trial? Thomas F. Sessions? 1.

Ques. 3. Who are discontinued? J. H. Angell. 1.

Ques. 4. Who are admitted into full connection? C. J. Menefee, L. L. Gladney, E. F. Goodson. 3.

Ques. 5. Who are readmitted? None.

Ques. 6. Who are received by transfer from other Conferences? B. C. Matthews, J. S. Chadwick, H. T. Burger, T. L. Lallance, W. F. Hodnett. 5.

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

Ques. 8. What traveling preachers are elected deacons? L. L. Gladney, E. F. Goodson, C. J. Menefee. 3.

Ques. 9. What traveling preachers are ordained deacons? L. L. Gladney, E. F. Goodson, C. J. Menefee. 3.

Ques. 10. What local preachers are elected deacons? W. S. Huggett. 1.

Ques. 11. What local preachers are ordained deacons? W. S. Huggett. 1.

Ques. 12. What traveling preachers are elected elders? Mark Hodgson, Thomas Hodgson. 2.

Ques. 13. What traveling preachers are ordained elders? Mark Hodgson, Thomas Hodgson. 2.

Ques. 14. What local preachers are elected elders? None.

Ques. 15. What local preachers are ordained elders? None.

Ques. 16. Who are located this year? B. B. Scoggins, J. D. Bush, W. F. Hodnett. 3.

Ques. 17. Who are supernumerary? Thomas Hodgson, W. D. Clayton. 2.

Ques. 18. Who are superannuated? J. M. Stevenson. 1.

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

Ques. 20. Are all the preachers blameless in their life and official administra-

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

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

El Paso District.

	Mem- bers.	Loc'l Pr's.
El Paso.....	290	.....
Pecos.....	133	.....
Alpine.....	67	1
Eddy.....	117	1
Roswell.....	234	2
Penasco.....	99	2
White Oaks.....	45	.....
Tulacosa.....	61	.....
	995	6

Albuquerque District.

San Marcial.....	48	2
Mimbres River Circuit.....	70	2
Gila River Circuit.....	61	.....
Socorro and Magdalena.....	68	1
Las Cruces.....	55	.....
Fort Thomas.....	18	.....
Cerrillos.....	64	1
Deming.....	50	.....
Gallup.....	25	.....
Albuquerque.....	90	1
	549	7

Recapitulation.

El Paso District.....	995	6
Albuquerque District.....	549	7
Total this year.....	1,544	13
Total last year.....	1,322	13
Increase.....	222	.....

Ques. 22. How many infants have been baptized during the year? 78.

Ques. 23. How many adults have been baptized during the year? 101.

Ques. 24. What is the number of Epworth Leagues? 16.

Ques. 25. What is the number of Epworth League members? 714.

Ques. 26. What is the number of Sunday schools? 33.

Ques. 27. What is the number of Sunday-school teachers? 244.

Ques. 28. What is the number of Sunday-school scholars? 1,674.

Ques. 29. What amount is necessary for the superannuated preachers and the widows and orphans of preachers? \$300.

Ques. 30. What has been collected on the foregoing account? and how has it been applied? \$272.85. Applied to claimants.

Ques. 31. What has been contributed for Missions? Foreign Missions, \$482; Domestic Missions, \$190. Total, \$672.

Ques. 32. What has been contributed for Church Extension? \$91.50.

Ques. 33. What has been done for the American Bible Society? \$45.25.

Ques. 34. What has been contributed for the support of presiding elders and preachers in charge? Presiding elders, \$741.50; preachers in charge, \$5,499.35.

Ques. 35. What has been contributed for the support of bishops? \$83.

Ques. 36. What is the number of societies, and the number and estimated value of church edifices? Societies, 38; church edifices, 20; value, \$43,735.

Ques. 37. What is the number of pastoral charges, and the number and value of parsonages owned by them? Charges, 18; parsonages, 15; value, \$11,670.

Ques. 38. What is the number and value of district parsonages? None.

Ques. 39. What are the educational statistics? Contributed, \$11.85.

Ques. 40. Where shall the next session of the Conference be held? El Paso, Tex.

Ques. 41. Where are the preachers stationed this year?

EL PASO DISTRICT.

C. C. Edington, P. E.

El Paso and City Mission, J. T. French.

Roswell, B. C. Matthews.

Eddy, T. L. Lallance; Thomas Hodgson, Sup.

Pecos, Robert Hodgson.

Alpine, E. F. Goodson; C. J. Menefee, Junior.

White Oaks, to be supplied by N. J. Lowther.

Tularosa, H. T. Burger.

Penasco, to be supplied by J. C. Gage.

Las Cruces, J. S. Chadwick.

Deming, J. E. Sawders.

Gila River, L. L. Gladney.

Mimbres River, W. A. Govett.

ALBUQUERQUE DISTRICT.

M. Hodgson, P. E.

Albuquerque, Mark Hodgson; W. D. Clayton, Sup.

Cerrillos, Ed Lebritton.

Magdalena and Kelley, T. L. Adams.

San Marcial, A. H. Sutherland.

Gallup, W. E. Foulks.

Transferred.—C. J. Oxley, to the Texas Conference; T. F. Sessions, to the Tennessee Conference, to attend Vanderbilt University.

HOLSTON CONFERENCE.

HELD AT BRISTOL, TENN., OCTOBER 6-13, 1897.

BISHOP KEY, *President*; J. A. BURROW, *Secretary*.

QUESTION 1. Who are admitted on trial?

ANSWER. Hugh S. Johnson, John F. Jones, Joseph W. Repass, Thomas S. Johnston, Henry S. Booth, James T. Guy. 6.

Ques. 2. Who remain on trial? John C. Cook, James E. Fogleman, Milton J. Butcher, Edward A. Shugart, James A. Ellison, Joseph E. Wolfe, John A. Early, John W. Christian, Denison O. Baldwin, John W. Rader, William C. Hicks. 11.

Ques. 3. Who are discontinued? Samuel A. McCannless. 1.

Ques. 4. Who are admitted into full connection? John B. Ward, Stephen W. Bourne, William C. Crockett, William H. Troy, John B. Peery, Harvey A. True, Gasper A. Carner, T. Frank McCary. 8.

Ques. 5. Who are readmitted? None.

Ques. 6. Who are received by transfer from other Conferences? W. R. Barnett, from the Western North Carolina Conference; L. M. Broyles, from the North Mississippi Conference. 2.

Ques. 7. Who are the deacons of one year? Sydney B. Vaught, Robert M. Walker, D. Emory Hawk, John D. Dame, Frank Jackson, Joel M. Carter, John L. Weber, Wheeler M. Morrell. 8.

Ques. 8. What traveling preachers are elected deacons? John B. Ward, Harvey A. True, Lee R. Huddleston, T. Frank McCary. 4.

Ques. 9. What traveling preachers are ordained deacons? John B. Ward, Har-

vey A. True, Lee R. Huddleston, T. Frank McCary. 4.

Ques. 10. What local preachers are elected deacons? William M. Meredith, James R. Brown, John F. Jones, John B. Cross, Amos Dahuff. 5.

Ques. 11. What local preachers are ordained deacons? James R. Brown, John F. Jones, John B. Cross. 3.

Ques. 12. What traveling preachers are elected elders? J. Stewart French, Louis O. Adams, Barney Thompson, Joseph A. Baylor, Charles E. Steele, Robert T. Webb, Elbert N. Woodward, John W. Taylor, Alfred N. Jackson, William L. Sorrell, Charles E. Eower. 11.

Ques. 13. What traveling preachers are ordained elders? J. Stewart French, Louis O. Adams, Barney Thompson, Joseph A. Baylor, Charles E. Steele, Robert T. Webb, Elbert N. Woodward, John W. Taylor, Alfred N. Jackson, William L. Sorrell, Charles E. Bower. 11.

Ques. 14. What local preachers are elected elders? None.

Ques. 15. What local preachers are ordained elders? None.

Ques. 16. Who are located this year? Charles C. Cecil. 1.

Ques. 17. Who are supernumerary? W. H. Dawn, J. R. Cunningham, B. F. Nuckolls, J. R. Stradley, J. A. Davis, J. P. Dickey, C. R. Brown, J. B. Davis, John Boring, M. L. Clendenen, J. A. Bilderback, J. A. L. Perkins, W. H. Price, A. Kincaid. 14.

Ques. 18. Who are superannuated? W. G. E. Cunyngham, J. H. Brunner, J. R. Payne, William Robeson, L. C. Delashmit, A. E. Woodward, J. W. Belt, H. P. Waugh, R. M. Hickey, J. N. Hobbs, Jacob Smith, W. H. Bates, L. K. Haynes, W. H. Kelly, J. A. Darr, C. K. Miller, W. P. Doane, M. P. Swaim, John Alley, B. C. Horton, G. M. Moreland, J. M. Romans, J. W. Robertson. 23.

Ques. 19. What preachers have died during the past year? James R. Chambers, Fleming D. Crumley, Jefferson D. Akers. 3.

JAMES R. CHAMBERS, son of William and Elizabeth Chambers, was born near Surgoinville, Hawkins county, Tenn., August 6, 1850. In the prime of his manhood, being a little over forty-six years old, from the parsonage in Blountville, Sullivan county, Tenn., in holy triumph he responded to the Master's call to come up higher. November 7, 1896. In the highest and best sense, brother Chambers was a "self-made man." About all the earthly possessions the family had were swept away by the ravages of war. He had to begin life at the bottom; but by his own efforts he acquired a thorough academic education under Professor D. C. Miller, Chilhowee, Va., and spent several years of his life teaching. As a teacher

he was both popular and successful. But that which, more than anything else, changed the whole current of his being occurred in Grayson county, Va., in the year 1869, when he was thoroughly and joyously converted to God. His experience was clear, convincing, and to him a very citadel of faith as long as his earthly pilgrimage continued. On October 15, 1872, he was united in marriage to Miss Sue V. Greaver, a descendant of one of the oldest and best families of Southwestern Virginia. This was a very happy union, and was blessed with thirteen children. For seven years he supported his family by teaching, and faithfully and efficiently served the Church as a local preacher. He made sermons and appointments, and filled them to the satisfaction and edification of his hearers. All these years his heart was in the itinerancy. He wished to give his whole life to the work of the ministry, but he was afraid of being rejected by the Conference on account of the size of his family. He then had a wife and eight children. About this time he was sent as a supply to Rheatown Circuit. He was happy in his work, and this but inflamed his one desire to be a member of the Conference and give the remainder of his life to the regular ministry. As Conference drew near, the people wanted brother Chambers and no one else; so he was admitted with little or no opposition. As an itinerant preacher, he traveled the Rheatown Circuit one year, the Jonesboro Circuit three years, the Abingdon Circuit three years, and the Blountville Circuit two years; nine years in all. But who can tell the good he did in that time? and as he was the spiritual father of some of our most prominent young preachers, like Abel, though dead, he yet speaks. As a man he was honest, truthful, pure of heart and mouth; to his friends and principles as true as steel, and in every way trustworthy. He was as modest as a woman, and one had to know him well to appreciate him. As a student he was not broad, but careful, painstaking, and accurate, mastering any and all things which he thought he could use in his sermons. As a pastor he was painstaking, faithful, and prudent to a fault. If he erred, it was on the side of mercy. Like most men who have spent a considerable time in the local ministry, he was not a good collector; rarely, if ever, getting his own salary or the collections ordered by the Conference. His throne of power was the pulpit. He was a careful, laborious sermon-maker, and many of his sermons were written entire. But even in the pulpit his great modesty was a bar to his reputation. He could not do himself justice on great occasions. At the District and Annual Conferences, he generally fell below himself

or entirely failed. But before his own people, with a definite object in his eye, he was a "son of thunder." He was clear, forceful, and often eloquent. His final sickness lasted about three months. He said that he had thoroughly tested the foundation of his faith, and that he was standing on the Rock—that he was both ready and willing to die, if it was the Lord's will. We buried him in the cemetery at Blountville. Like a soldier—a good soldier of Christ, which he was—he sleeps on the field where he fought his last battle and won his greatest victory—victory over death.

FLEMING DAVID CRUMLEY, son of Daniel W. and Stacey Crumley, was born in Sullivan county, Tenn., near Rockhold's Camp Ground, in 1829. He was converted at Rockhold's Camp Ground when twelve or fourteen years old. We know not when nor by whom he was licensed to preach. He was married to Miss Mariah Snodgrass, daughter of David Snodgrass, near Blountville, Tenn. Of this marriage there were six children. He was admitted on trial in the Holston Conference, at Asheville, N. C., October 17-24, 1860. His first appointment was to Buchanan Mission, Abingdon District. This was a hard and trying appointment on which to learn the initial lessons of the Methodist itinerant life. Full of Christian zeal and courage and faith, however, he gave himself earnestly to his difficult work without hesitation or murmuring. He wrought diligently for the Master amid the gorges and caves and ridges of Buchanan's innumerable mountains. There were then but few members scattered here and there, without churches, and but few schoolhouses. He preached in the humble log houses of his people, and under the shade of the trees. It was a veritable wilderness in many respects, with a sparse and unlettered population, no roads save the highway down the Levisa Fork of the Sandy River, but steep and narrow trails and rugged and dangerous riding-passes over the mountains, little and great. The people, however, in their rustic simplicity awarded him, as they have done others, a proverbial hospitality. They would divide their last platter of bread, or dish of jerked venison, or bowl of lind-tree honey. His subsequent appointments were as follows: In 1861-62, Fall Branch Circuit; in 1863-64, Kingsport Circuit; in 1865, name not in published minutes; in 1866-68, Bristol Circuit; in 1869-70, Estillville Circuit; in 1871-72, Jefferson Circuit; in 1873, Jonesboro Circuit; in 1874-76, Fall Branch and Horse Creek Mission; in 1877-78, Independence Circuit; in 1879-80, Madisonville Circuit; in 1881-82, St. Clair Circuit; in 1883-84, Newport Circuit; in 1885-86, Jonesboro Circuit; in 1887, Charleston

Circuit; in 1888, Cedar Bluff Circuit; in 1889, Fall Branch Circuit; in 1890, Erwin Mission; in 1891, supernumerary or superannuated; in 1892-96, superannuated till his death. In 1865 brother Crumley is reported as having withdrawn from the Conference, and in 1866 readmitted. He was, we believe, a consecrated and faithful servant of our Lord Jesus Christ. Having cast in his lot among us, he cheerfully accepted the appointments given him, and shrank from no hardship incident to the itinerant's life. He doubtless found in his wife a valuable helpmeet in managing and caring for a large family, and on a meager salary. He lived to see all his children grown and married and settled in life, among whom he spent his last years in peace and comfort. For four years or more past, his health has been poor, and his body very frail. Partial paralysis greatly increased his bodily infirmities, so that for the last eight months of his life he was almost helpless. He bore his sufferings in great patience, never repining or fretting. He was full of gratitude to the neighbors and friends who were so kind and attentive to him in his last sickness. He was a good man, a faithful preacher, sound in Methodist theology, loyal to the Church and her government, and devoted to his brethren in the ministry. His ministerial life, extending through thirty-seven years, was never beclouded by wrong doing, or vulnerable to just censure. He has left us the rich legacy of an untarnished name. He quietly fell on sleep, September 4, 1897, at Fall Branch, Washington county, Tenn. He was completely resigned, and passed to the upper heavens in peaceful and glorious triumph.

JEFFERSON D. AKERS was born in Montgomery county, Va., August 30, 1868, and died at the home of his father, in the same county, April 20, 1897. Brother Akers was naturally of a kindly disposition, having from his childhood a gracious consideration for all about him. He conformed his whole life to a generous ideal of truth and justice, and when, in 1887, he gave his heart and life to God and the Church, he rose to the highest ideal of Christian character and life. He had good facilities for mental and moral culture in the schools of his own county, afterwards at Emory and Henry College, and in teaching, as well as in the best associations always. There he appreciated and improved to the extent that rendered him acceptable and efficient among all people whom he was called upon to serve. He had a modest estimate of his own worth, but great faith in God and the Church. He appreciated every kindly relation he sustained, but magnified the holy ministry of the word of God above all. When he was appointed to Castle-

wood Circuit last year, he felt that he had entered upon his life work, and planned accordingly for God and the Church. He went promptly to his circuit, met his people cordially, ingratiated himself into their confidence and esteem, and excited in their breasts the hope that animated his own life, and thus entered upon a year that gave promise of gracious results. But God had ordered otherwise. His strength, none too great at best, yielded to the fell destroyer, consumption. He failed rapidly. His people tenderly nursed him, and in return received from him beautiful lessons of the strongest faith in God and the sweetest resignation to his will. At his second quarterly meeting, March 6, 1897, he gave up his work, bade us and his people a tender good-by, and returned to the home of his childhood to die. In that sacred retreat, with loving parents bending over him, and the voice of affection in his ears and heart, he breathed his last. He leaves behind him the sweetest name of a pure heart and a consecrated life.

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

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

Radford District.

	Mem- bers.	Loc'l Pr's.
Radford, Grove Avenue.....	392	2
Auburn Circuit.....	529	3
Floyd Circuit.....	359	3
Hylton Mission.....	151	3
New River Circuit.....	676	1
Newbern Circuit.....	379	.....
Allsonia Circuit.....	476	2
Staffordville Circuit.....	596	2
Pearisburg Circuit.....	702	1
Princeton Station.....	301	1
Concord Circuit.....	400	3
East River Mission.....	418	2
Bluestone Circuit.....	381	3
Bluefield: Bland Street.....	321	.....
Grace.....	236	2
Pulaski Station.....	356	1
	6,673	29

Tazewell District.

Tazewell Station.....	315	1
East Tazewell Circuit.....	376	1
West Tazewell Circuit.....	230	2
Crockett Cove Mission.....	241	.....
Clear Fork Circuit.....	728	3
Graham Station.....	334	4
Poahontas Station.....	202	1
Cooper's Station.....	260	1
Bramwell Station.....	113	1
Welch Station.....	44	1
Liberty Hill Circuit.....	434	.....
Buchanan Mission.....	235	4
Cedar Bluff and Midway.....	300	.....
Richland and Honaker.....	472	.....
Algoma and Arlington.....	64	.....
Mayberry and Eckman.....	91	.....
Elkhorn and Keystone.....	34	.....

Tazewell District (Continued).

	Mem- bers.	Loc'l Pr's.
Ieagar Mission.....	24	.....
Coaldale Mission.....	156	.....
Grundy Mission.....	131	1
	4,834	20

Wytheville District.

Wytheville Station.....	385	1
Wytheville Circuit.....	972	2
East Wytheville Circuit.....	369	1
Lead Mines Circuit.....	611	1
Max Meadows Circuit.....	528	.....
Hillsville Circuit.....	423	7
Old Town Circuit.....	587	2
Independence Circuit.....	518	3
Elk Creek Circuit.....	546	2
Spring Valley Circuit.....	614	9
Mt. Airy Circuit.....	811	4
Seddon Circuit.....	730	5
Sharon Springs Circuit.....	548	4
Marion Station.....	305	.....
Marion Circuit.....	741	2
Grayson Mission.....	302	1
	8,991	44

Abingdon District.

Abingdon Station.....	323	1
Abingdon Circuit.....	598	2
Holston Circuit.....	611	4
Mendota Circuit.....	304	.....
Mountain City Mission.....	134	.....
Emory Circuit.....	611	3
Saltville and Union Circuit.....	270	1
Rich Valley Circuit.....	478	2
Bristol: Main Street Station.....	690	4
Anderson Street Station.....	121	1
Mary Street Station.....	191	.....
Bristol Circuit.....	572	.....
Blountville Circuit.....	723	4
Bluff City Circuit.....	514	.....
Elizabethton Station.....	211	1
	6,351	23

Big Stone Gap District.

Big Stone Gap Station.....	135	1
East Stone Gap Mission.....	359	2
Gladeville Circuit.....	212	.....
Clintwood Mission.....	258	2
Elk Garden Circuit.....	380	2
Lebanon Circuit.....	327	1
Dickensonville Circuit.....	499	4
Castlewood Circuit (1896).....	173	1
Nickellsville Circuit.....	433	4
Gate City Station.....	243	.....
Kingsport Circuit.....	467	1
Hawkins Circuit.....	543	2
Clinchport Circuit.....	364	1
Pennington Gap Circuit.....	361	1
Jonesville Circuit.....	609	4
Powell's Valley Circuit.....	427	5
Cumberland Gap Circuit.....	317	1
	6,117	32

Morristown District.

Morristown Station.....	361	3
Morristown Circuit.....	550	1
Mossy Creek Circuit.....	328	1
Newport Circuit.....	242	1
Johnson City Station.....	353	1
Jonesboro Station.....	135	1
Jonesboro Circuit.....	374	2
Tate Springs Circuit.....	399	1
Rutledge Circuit.....	275	1
Rogersville Station.....	215	.....
Rheatown Circuit.....	397	1
St. Clair Circuit.....	589	3
Greeneville Station.....	105	.....
Greeneville Circuit.....	415	2
Fall Branch Circuit.....	255	1
Erwin Mission.....	188	.....

Morristown District (Continued).

	Mem- bers.	Loc'l Pr's.
Tazewell Circuit.....	355	.....
Parrottsville and Warrensburg Circuit.....	321	2
Sneedville Mission.....	160	1
	6,017	22

Knoxville District.

Knoxville: Church Street Station.....	588	1
Broad Street Station.....	491	1
Centenary.....	326	2
Highland Avenue.....	154	.....
East Fifth Avenue.....	82	2
Fountain City.....	132	2
City Mission.....	40	1
Knoxville Circuit.....	340	4
Macedonia Circuit.....	259	.....
Strawberry Plains Circuit.....	250	2
Sevierville Circuit.....	370	.....
Maynardsville Circuit.....	242	2
Andersonville Circuit.....	282	3
Jacksboro Circuit.....	149	3
Little River Circuit.....	234	.....
Coal Creek Circuit.....	114	.....
	4,053	23

Cleveland District.

Cleveland Station.....	307	5
Cleveland and Benton Circuit.....	329	2
Charleston Circuit.....	375	4
Riceville Circuit.....	319	1
Athens Station.....	171	.....
Athens Circuit.....	263	2
Ducktown Mission.....	78	1
Sweetwater Circuit.....	317	2
Madisonville Circuit.....	270	2
Elenzer Circuit.....	400	3
Decatur Circuit.....	550	.....
New Hope Circuit.....	150	2
London Circuit.....	241	.....
Lenoir City Station.....	98	1
Louisville Circuit.....	321	2
Maryville Station.....	124	.....
Concord Circuit.....	184	1
	4,499	28

Chattanooga District.

Chattanooga: Centenary.....	819	4
Whiteside Street.....	334	2
Cherry Street.....	85	1
St. Elmo.....	258	.....
Ridgedale and Rossville.....	266	.....
East Chattanooga.....	124	2
Etna Circuit.....	463	1
Trenton Circuit.....	523	3
Qoltawah Circuit.....	437	2
Hill City Station.....	119	.....
Hamilton Circuit.....	194	.....
South Pittsburg Station.....	150	.....
Highland Park Station.....	216	.....
Lookout Mission.....	.....	.....
	3,988	15

Sequachee District.

Dayton Station.....	238	1
Spring City Circuit.....	273	2
Evansville Circuit.....	302	3
Kingston Circuit.....	247	1
Harriman Station.....	162	3
Clinton Station.....	155	2
Rockwood Station.....	249	.....
Jamestown Mission.....	127	3
Jasper Station.....	172	2
Jasper Circuit.....	287	1
Dunlap and Whitwell Circuit.....	331	2
Pikeville Circuit.....	300	1
Cumberland Circuit.....	243	6
Clinton Circuit.....	134	1
	3,218	28

Recapitulation.

	Mem- bers.	Loc'l Pr's.
Radford District.....	6,673	29
Tazewell District.....	4,834	20
Wytheville District.....	8,990	44
Abingdon District.....	6,351	23
Big Stone Gap District.....	6,117	32
Morristown District.....	6,017	22
Knoxville District.....	4,053	23
Cleveland District.....	4,499	28
Chattanooga District.....	3,988	15
Sequachee District.....	3,218	28
Total this year.....	54,74	264
Total last year.....	4,368	257
Increase.....	37	7

Ques. 22. How many infants have been baptized during the year? 1,115.

Ques. 23. How many adults have been baptized during the year? 2,350.

Ques. 24. What is the number of Epworth Leagues? 139.

Ques. 25. What is the number of Epworth League members? 4,540.

Ques. 26. What is the number of Sunday schools? 652.

Ques. 27. What is the number of Sunday-school teachers? 4,717.

Ques. 28. What is the number of Sunday-school scholars? 41,352.

Ques. 29. What amount is necessary for the superannuated preachers and the widows and orphans of preachers? \$5,500.

Ques. 30. What has been collected on the foregoing account? and how has it been applied? \$2,749.87. Applied to claimants.

Ques. 31. What has been contributed for Missions? Foreign Missions, \$5,181.67; Domestic Missions, \$3,616.02. Total, \$8,797.69.

Ques. 32. What has been contributed for Church Extension? \$1,656.06.

Ques. 33. What has been done for the American Bible Society? \$285.92.

Ques. 34. What has been contributed for the support of presiding elders and preachers in charge? Presiding elders, \$10,182.62; preachers in charge, \$67,968.63.

Ques. 35. What has been contributed for the support of bishops? \$942.85.

Ques. 36. What is the number of societies, and the number and estimated value of church edifices? Societies, 808; church edifices, 578½; value, \$896,270.

Ques. 37. What is the number of pastoral charges, and the number and value of parsonages owned by them? Charges, 165; parsonages, 110; value, \$158,352.

Ques. 38. What is the number and value of district parsonages? Number, 7; value, \$11,950.

Ques. 39. What are the educational statistics? Schools, 7; officers and teachers, 67; students, 654; value of property, \$320,000.

Ques. 40. Where shall the next session of the Conference be held? Morristown, Tenn.

Ques. 41. Where are the preachers stationed this year?

RADFORD DISTRICT.

S. D. Long, P. E.

Radford, Grove Avenue, D. E. Hawk.
 Auburn Circuit, M. J. Wysor.
 Floyd Circuit, I. N. Munsey.
 Hylton Mission, H. S. Johnson.
 New River Circuit, D. O. Baldwin.
 Newbern Circuit, W. W. Hicks.
 Allisonia Circuit, J. B. Simpson.
 Staffordsville Circuit, W. D. Mitchell.
 Pearisburg Circuit, J. A. H. Shuler.
 Princeton Station, S. E. Houk.
 Concord Station, Frank Jackson.
 Concord Mission, to be supplied by G. M. Johnston.
 East River Circuit, J. A. Ellison.
 Bluestone Circuit, J. E. Bruce.
 Bluefield Station, J. A. Burrow.
 West Bluefield Mission, A. B. Hunter.
 Pulaski Station, A. S. Thorn.
 Princeton Military Academy, Eugene Blake, President.
 Student at Emory and Henry College, J. W. Rader.

TAZEWELL DISTRICT.

J. T. Frazier, P. E.

Tazewell Station, I. P. Martin.
 East Tazewell Circuit, W. W. Pyott.
 Tug River Mission, G. A. Carner.
 Clear Fork Circuit, C. E. Painter.
 Graham Station, J. W. Smith.
 Pocahontas and Cooper's, J. S. French.
 Bramwell and Goodwell, R. A. Kelly.
 Welch and Keystone, J. E. Wolfe.
 Liberty Hill Circuit, W. E. Bailey.
 Buchanan Mission, L. R. Huddleston.
 Cedar Bluff and Midway, W. W. Newberry.
 Honaker, E. A. Shugart.
 Eckman and North Fork, J. B. Ward; C. R. Brown, Sup.
 Elk Horn and Mabeury, T. F. Suthers.
 Ieager Mission, S. W. Bourne.
 West Tazewell Circuit, G. W. Pressly.
 Grundy Mission, T. F. McCary.

WYTHEVILLE DISTRICT.

G. A. Maiden, P. E.

Wytheville Station, T. C. Shuler.
 Wytheville Circuit, J. S. W. Neel.
 East Wytheville Mission, J. F. Jones.
 Marion Station, T. J. Eskridge.
 Marion Circuit, W. N. Wagner.
 Mt. Airy Circuit, S. S. Weatherly.
 Seddon Circuit, D. H. Carr.
 Sharon Circuit, E. L. Addington.
 Grayson Mission, W. H. Troy.
 Independence Circuit, R. M. Walker.
 Elk Creek Circuit, M. P. Carico.
 Spring Valley Circuit, D. P. Hurley.
 Old Town Circuit, W. C. Crockett; B. F. Nuckolls, Sup.
 Hillsville Circuit, T. D. Strader.
 Lead Mines Circuit, R. A. Owen.
 Max Meadows Circuit, J. L. Prater.
 Cedar Springs Circuit, C. L. Stradley.

ABINGDON DISTRICT.

E. F. Kahle, P. E.

Abingdon Station, G. D. French.
 Abingdon Circuit, H. C. Neal; J. B. Davis, Sup.
 Glade Springs Circuit, R. F. Jackson; W. H. Price, Sup.
 Mendota Circuit, W. H. Henderson.
 Mountain City Mission, J. W. Repass.
 Emory Circuit, J. W. Taylor; J. A. Davis, Sup.
 Saltville Station, C. E. Bower.
 Rich Valley Circuit, E. W. Moore.
 Bristol: Main Street, C. O. Jones.
 Anderson Street Mission, M. D. Mitchell.
 Mary Street, A. N. Jackson.
 Bristol Circuit, James Mahoney.
 Blountville Circuit, E. H. Cassidy.
 Bluff City Circuit, P. P. Kinzer.
 Elizabethton Station, B. Thompson.
 Emory and Henry College, R. G. Waterhouse, President.
 Martha Washington College, W. M. Dyer, President; J. W. Repass, Professor; S. T. M. McPherson, Agent.
 Sullins College, D. S. Hearon, President.

BIG STONE GAP DISTRICT.

W. C. Carden, P. E.

Big Stone Gap and Stonega Mission, S. B. Vaught.
 Big Stone Gap Circuit, to be supplied.
 Gladeville Circuit, L. O. Adams.
 Clintwood Mission, W. C. Hicks.
 Elk Garden Circuit, C. W. Kelley.
 Lebanon Circuit, J. W. W. Shuler.
 Dickensonville Circuit, F. Alexander.
 Castlewood Circuit, T. A. Jordan.
 Clinch Valley Circuit, G. B. Draper.
 Gate City Station, J. L. Weber.
 Gate City Circuit, James E. Fogleman.
 Kingsport Circuit, W. I. Fogleman.
 Hawkins Circuit, D. V. York.
 Clinchport Circuit, J. M. Maiden.
 Pennington Gap Circuit, J. R. Walker.
 Jonesville Circuit, J. A. Duvall.
 Powell's Gap Circuit, S. K. Byrd.
 Cumberland Gap Circuit, E. W. Walker.
 Mingo Mines, to be supplied by R. H. Hobbs.

MORRISTOWN DISTRICT.

J. H. Keith, P. E.

Morristown Station, K. C. Atkins.
 Morristown Circuit, W. R. Snider.
 Mossy Creek Circuit, J. E. Naff.
 Newport Station, J. W. Browning.
 Tate Springs Circuit, W. L. Jones.
 Rutledge Circuit, D. C. Clendenen.
 Tazewell Circuit, J. R. Wolfe.
 Rogersville Circuit, J. H. Parrott.
 St. Clair Circuit, C. E. Steele.
 Warrensburg Circuit, E. H. Bogle.
 Greeneville Station, J. A. Baylor.
 Greeneville Circuit, S. H. Hall.
 Rheatown Circuit, J. D. Hickson.

Jonesboro Station, J. H. Summitt.
 Jonesboro Circuit, R. E. Smith.
 Fall Branch Circuit, M. J. Butcher.
 Johnson City Station, J. S. Kennedy; J.
 R. Cunningham, Sup.
 Erwin Mission, to be supplied by J. B.
 Cross.
 Editor Christian Advocate, E. E. Hoss.

KNOXVILLE DISTRICT.

C. T. Carroll, P. E.

Knoxville: Church Street, J. A. Duncan;
 W. H. Dawn, Sup.
 Broad Street, W. S. Neighbors.
 Centenary, W. R. Barnett.
 Highland Avenue, E. S. Bettis.
 East Fifth Avenue, J. W. Carnes
 Fountain City, W. M. Morrell.
 Knoxville Circuit, John Woolsey.
 Macedonia Circuit, R. T. McDowell.
 Maynardsville Circuit, W. R. Rowland.
 Andersonville Circuit, J. M. Paxton.
 Coal Creek Mission, H. S. Booth.
 Jacksboro Circuit, J. F. Wampler.
 Sevierville Circuit, G. W. Summers.
 Strawberry Plains Circuit, W. A. Thomas;
 J. A. L. Perkins, Sup.
 Little River Mission, J. C. Bays.
 Chaplain United States Navy, J. B. Fra-
 zier.
 Conference Colporteur, J. C. Runyan.

CLEVELAND DISTRICT.

J. A. Lyons, P. E.

Cleveland Station, J. C. Orr.
 Cleveland Circuit, J. T. Guy.
 Benton Circuit, L. H. Little.
 Charleston Circuit, W. D. Akers.
 Riceville Circuit, J. B. Peery.
 Athens Station, R. T. Webb.
 Athens Circuit, D. McCracken; A. Kin-
 caid, Sup.
 Ducktown Mission, W. L. Sorrell.
 Sweetwater Circuit, J. C. Maness.
 Madisonville Circuit, J. E. Lowry; J. R.
 Stradley, Sup.
 Mt. Vernon Circuit, C. M. James.
 Decatur Circuit, J. B. Carnes.
 New Hope Circuit, J. D. Dame.
 Loudon Circuit, J. H. Kennedy.
 Lenoir Circuit, J. E. Spring.
 Louisville Circuit, J. M. Wolfe.
 Maryville Station, J. I. Cash.

Hiwassee College, F. M. Grace, Professor.
 Athens Female College, L. L. H. Carlock,
 President.
 Centenary Female College, D. Sullins,
 President.
 Conference Missionary Secretary, L. L. H.
 Carlock.

CHATTANOOGA DISTRICT.

F. Richardson, P. E.

Chattanooga: Centenary, D. Sullins.
 Whiteside Street, J. O. Straley.
 Cherry Street, J. C. Cook; John Boring,
 Sup.
 St. Elmo, T. R. Handy; J. P. Dickey,
 Sup.
 East Chattanooga, J. A. Early.
 Chattanooga City Mission, J. E. Hughes.
 Ridgedale and Rossville, W. L. Patton.
 Highland Park, J. W. Perry.
 Hill City Station, J. M. Carter.
 Hamilton Circuit, J. W. Christian.
 Ooltewah Circuit, J. E. Swecker.
 Etna Circuit, J. D. McAlister.
 Trenton Circuit, J. F. Hash.
 South Pittsburg, E. N. Woodward.
 Lookout Mountain Mission, to be supplied
 by R. K. Allison.

SEQUACHEE DISTRICT.

L. M. Cartright, P. E.

Dayton Station, G. W. Jackson.
 Spring City Circuit, F. F. Threadgill.
 Evansville Circuit, E. W. Mort.
 Kingston Station, A. H. Tow.
 Harriman Station, R. K. Sutherland.
 Clinton Station, R. N. Price.
 Rockwood Station, C. M. Pickens.
 Jamestown Mission, T. S. Johnston.
 Jasper Station, S. S. Catron.
 Jasper Circuit, R. S. Umberger.
 Dunlap Circuit, H. C. Clemens.
 Pikeville Circuit, A. D. Stewart.
 Cumberland Circuit, H. A. True.
 Clinton Circuit, to be supplied.
 Pryor Institute, J. R. Hunter, Principal.
 Editor Holston Methodist, R. N. Price.

Transferred. — W. P. Blevins, to the
 North Alabama Conference; C. C. Fisher,
 to the Kentucky Conference; T. F. Glenn,
 to the Western North Carolina Confer-
 ence; L. M. Broyles, to the North Texas
 Conference.

NORTHWEST MEXICAN MISSION CONFERENCE.

HELD AT EL PASO, TEXAS, OCTOBER 7-11, 1897.

BISHOP DUNCAN, *President*; E. QUINONES, *Secretary*.

QUESTION 1. Who are admitted on trial?

ANSWER. J. F. Araugo. 1.

Ques. 2. Who remain on trial? None.

Ques. 3. Who are discontinued? None.

Ques. 4. Who are admitted into full connection? Lawrence Reynolds. 1.

Ques. 5. Who are readmitted? None.

Ques. 6. Who are received by transfer from other Conferences? Lawrence Reynolds, from the North Texas Conference; J. H. Fitzgerald, from the Western North Carolina Conference. 2.

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

Ques. 8. What traveling preachers are elected deacons? None.

Ques. 9. What traveling preachers are ordained deacons? None.

Ques. 10. What local preachers are elected deacons? Juan F. Araugo. 1.

Ques. 11. What local preachers are ordained deacons? Juan F. Araugo. 1.

Ques. 12. What traveling preachers are elected elders? None.

Ques. 13. What traveling preachers are ordained elders? None.

Ques. 14. What local preachers are elected elders? None.

Ques. 15. What local preachers are ordained elders? None.

Ques. 16. Who are located this year? M. Villareal, M. de la Garza, at their own request. 2.

Ques. 17. Who are supernumerary? None.

Ques. 18. Who are superannuated? A. G. Kilgore. 1.

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

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

Ques. 21. What is the number of local preachers and members in the several circuits, stations, and missions of the Conference? Members, 994; local preachers, 11. Increase, members, 79; local preachers, 2. Details not furnished.

Ques. 22. How many infants have been baptized during the year? 93.

Ques. 23. How many adults have been baptized during the year? 108.

Ques. 24. What is the number of Epworth Leagues? 7.

Ques. 25. What is the number of Epworth League members? 233.

Ques. 26. What is the number of Sunday schools? 27.

Ques. 27. What is the number of Sunday-school teachers? 87.

Ques. 28. What is the number of Sunday-school scholars? 875.

Ques. 29. What amount is necessary for the superannuated preachers, and the widows and orphans of preachers? Nothing.

Ques. 30. What has been collected on the foregoing account, and how has it been applied? \$15. Applied to claimants.

Ques. 31. What has been contributed for missions? Domestic, \$143.

Ques. 32. What has been contributed for Church Extension? \$104.08.

Ques. 33. What has been done for the American Bible Society? \$8.18.

Ques. 34. What has been contributed for the support of the presiding elders and preachers in charge? Pre-iding elders, \$52; preachers in charge, \$1,665.

Ques. 35. What has been contributed for the support of bishops? 50 cents.

Ques. 36. What is the number of societies, and the number and estimated value of church edifices? Societies, 26; church edifices, 17; value, \$26,575.

Ques. 37. What is the number of pastoral charges, and the number and value of parsonages owned by them? Charges, not given: parsonages, 4; value, \$4,000.

Ques. 38. What is the number and value of district parsonages? None.

Ques. 39. What are the educational statistics? Schools and colleges, 7; teachers, 18; students, 330; value, \$26,569.73.

Ques. 40. Where shall the next session of the Conference be held? Chihuahua.

Ques. 41. Where are the preachers stationed this year?

EL PASO DISTRICT.

J. F. Corbin, P. E.

El Paso, J. F. Corbin, F. Padier.

Marfa, G. Paz.

Nogales and Tuscon, (Mexican) H. C. Hernandez; (American) Lawrence Reynolds.

Phoenix, E. Quiñones.

Guaymas, D. F. Acosta.

Pitiquite, to be supplied.

Matatlan, J. F. Araugo.

Culiacan, to be supplied.

La Paz, to be supplied.

White Oak and La Luz, to be supplied.

DURANGO DISTRICT.

R. C. Elliott, P. E.

Durango, R. C. Elliott, J. H. Fitzgerald.

Muleros and Nombre de Dios, M. M. Bustamente.

Velardena and Cuencame, P. Vasquez.

Chihuahua, J. Bustamente.

Transferred.—S. V. Dilley, to the Los Angeles Conference.

TENNESSEE CONFERENCE.

HELD AT SHELBYVILLE, TENN., OCTOBER 20-25, 1897.

BISHOP HENDRIX, *President*; L. R. AMIS, *Secretary*.

QUESTION 1. Who are admitted on trial?
ANSWER. George Allen Morgan, James Thomas Tracy, Pleasant D. Freeman, Patrick G. Johnson, Gilbert L. Hensley. 5.

Ques. 2. Who remain on trial? Joseph F. Morelock, Mahlon C. Rowland, W. J. Stewart, Nathan B. Taylor, W. H. Williams, Joseph F. Bumpus. 6.

Ques. 3. Who are discontinued? Albert N. Doyle. 1.

Ques. 4. Who are admitted into full connection? Felix H. Coleman, William J. Walkup, James A. Patterson, John Casto Keathley, Addison Hall Dickson, Sterling Mac Cherry, Milton Philander Woods, George Washington Taylor. 8.

Ques. 5. Who are readmitted? A. C. Matthews. 1.

Ques. 6. Who are received by transfer from other Conferences? Giles C. Rector. 1.

Ques. 7. Who are the deacons of one year? William D. Wendel, T. J. Baker, Robert H. Hudgens, James R. Holmes, C. R. Wade, R. B. Davidson, J. W. Hatcher, A. J. McClanahan. 8.

Ques. 8. What traveling preachers are elected deacons? William J. Walkup, John Casto Keathley, Addison H. Dickson, Sterling Mac Cherry, Milton Philander Woods. 5.

Ques. 9. What traveling preachers are ordained deacons? William J. Walkup, John Casto Keathley, Addison H. Dickson, Sterling Mac Cherry, Milton P. Woods. 5.

Ques. 10. What local preachers are elected deacons? Olympia McKelvey Abney, James Newton McClure, Joseph James Morgan, Emil Gilbert Atlee, James Thomas Tracy, Walter L. Purnell, Silas Parker, John W. Duncan, William J. Cannon, David E. Scott, Lemuel C. Hall, Pleasant D. Freeman, Samuel Gilbert Treadaway, William Moore Adams. 14.

Ques. 11. What local preachers are ordained deacons? Silas Parker, William J. Cannon, David E. Scott, Lemuel C. Hall, Pleasant D. Freeman, Samuel G. Treadaway, James T. Tracy. 7.

Ques. 12. What traveling preachers are elected elders? James J. Shaw, Ernest A. Stellar, B. Floyd Isom, P. D. Gardner, W. H. Baird, Samuel M. Keathley. 6.

Ques. 13. What traveling preachers are ordained elders? James J. Shaw, B.

Floyd Isom, P. D. Gardner, Warren H. Baird, Samuel M. Keathley. 5.

Ques. 14. What local preachers are elected elders? Joel E. Givens, Hiram A. Laws, David Fletcher Osteen. 3.

Ques. 15. What local preachers are ordained elders? Hiram A. Laws, David F. Osteen, Owen M. Rickman. 3.

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

Ques. 17. Who are supernumerary? A. H. Reams, J. R. Thompson, T. B. Marks. 3.

Ques. 18. Who are superannuated? W. R. Warren, W. H. Riggin, B. J. Gaston, R. P. Gannaway, L. C. Bryan, J. C. Putman, A. M. Ezell, B. F. Ferrell, G. D. Guinn, H. S. Kennedy, R. M. Haggard, J. H. Strayhorn, H. S. Ledbetter, R. A. Young, H. J. Ivie, E. W. White, J. G. Gibson, W. G. Dorris, M. R. Tucker, R. M. Chenault, J. B. Anderson. 21.

Ques. 19. What preachers have died during the past year? Samuel J. Shasteen, William H. Johnson, George W. Martin, Richard P. Ransom. 4.

WILLIAM H. JOHNSON died in Wilson county, Tenn., January 17, 1897. He was born March 14, 1804. Brother Johnson was twice married: first to Miss Rice, daughter of James Rice, of Wilson county, Tenn. She died during the civil war. His second wife was Miss Elizabeth A. Webb, of Smith county, Tenn., to whom he was married in 1867. She died and went home to God about three years before his death. Brother Johnson had no children, so he made his home, after sister Johnson's death, with the Rev. G. L. Staley, where every attention was given that loving hearts could give during his great affliction, caused by a fall on ice, so badly crippling him that he was never able to walk afterwards. Patiently he suffered, and waited the call of the Master. Brother Johnson was converted and joined the Methodist Church in early life. We have no data informing us when he was licensed to preach. He joined the Tennessee Conference in 1833, and served the following charges: Cumberland Circuit, 1840-41; Dickson, 1842-43; Salem, 1844; Lebanon Circuit, 1845; Cypress African Mission, 1846; Limestone African Mission, 1847-49; Spruce Street and African Church, Nashville, 1850; African Charge, Nashville, 1851; Lebanon and Sumner Colored

Mission, 1852; supernumerary, 1855-58; Shady Grove, 1859; Swan Creek and Beaver Dam Mission, 1860; served as chaplain in the Confederate army in 1861; Wartrace Circuit, 1862; received no appointments in 1863-64, as there were no sessions of the Conference, in consequence of the war; Carthage Circuit, 1865; Woodbury, 1866. He was granted a location in 1867, and was a member of the Wartrace Quarterly Conference, Lebanon District; was readmitted and put in charge of the Wartrace Circuit in 1869; was supernumerary 1871-77; was granted a superannuated relation in 1878, which relation he sustained to the Conference until his death. Brother Johnson enjoyed a rich experience in God's saving grace. He was a man of strong and uncompromising faith in God. His education was good for his day, and he was a close student, making the word of God his chief study. He loved to preach, and was a clear and forceful expounder of the Holy Scriptures. He appeared always to be ready to preach. He loved Methodism, and was a strong defender of our doctrine and usages; and, while his great forte was doctrinal preaching, his ministry was blessed with great revivals. In 1840-41, while on the Cumberland Circuit, one of the leading circuits in this Conference, there were more than three hundred conversions and many accessions to the Church. Brother Johnson, as a result of his gracious experience, together with his clear insight into the Holy Scriptures, was far in advance of his people in the spirit and work of missions. He did a great work as a missionary for our brother in black in Tennessee, and more than fifty years ago he collected money and bought Testaments and forwarded them to one of the mission stations in Africa, where, as a result, the gracious work is still going on. He was greatly loved by his brethren. Gentle and sweet-spirited, with inflexible integrity and devotion to the Church, he went from suffering to his rich reward in glory.

SAMUEL J. SHASTEEN was born June 4, 1835; and died January 9, 1897. He was married December 20, 1853, to Miss Mary Weaver, who survives him. He was converted and joined the Methodist Church in August, 1854. He was licensed to preach at the Quarterly Conference at Marble Plains in August, 1870. For fourteen years he exercised the office of a local preacher, all the time improving the gifts God had given him, exerting a wonderful amount of good among his neighbors. In October, 1884, when the Tennessee Conference met in Nashville, he was admitted on trial into the traveling connection, and was ordained a local elder by Bishop McTyeire. Brother Shasteen traveled the

following charges in the Tennessee Conference: In 1884-86 he was appointed to the Lynchburg Circuit; in 1887, to the Salem Circuit; in 1888, to the Hillsboro Circuit; in 1889, to the Manchester Circuit; in 1890, to the Normandy Circuit; in 1891-92, to the Lynchburg Circuit; in 1893-94, to the Salem Circuit; in 1895-96, to the Marble Plains Circuit. When he was sent to this last charge he said he went with fear and trembling to his work on Marble Plains Circuit, where he had lived for so many years; but he entered upon his duties with so much zeal and consecration that his labors were crowned with glorious success, and nearly one hundred souls were converted to God. When the end of the year came there was almost a universal demand for his return. He was returned at the last Conference, but the Master had given him a higher appointment than Marble Plains Circuit, and he has obeyed the last summons; and it was well with him in the going, his last word being "Peace." In forming an estimate of the character and worth of this man of God, it becomes necessary to look into his early opportunities. His education was very limited indeed. Many have wondered how he passed his examination and entered into full connection in the Conference. Oral examinations were the rule when he came in, and his native intellect was so keen that he was able to answer nearly as many questions as any member of the class. He possessed an unusual amount of common sense and adaptability, which, coupled with his keen native intellect and fine sense of humor, made him the center of attraction in almost any company. He was a man of power in the pulpit. When he preached repentance sinners trembled, and many repented. He was greatly used of God in bringing old sinners to the Saviour. He was fearless in declaring the whole counsel of God, and insisted always on sound conversion that changed the heart and life of men. His own had been changed, and wonderfully changed, and it was not religion to him unless he saw the evidences of this change. He was a man of strong faith and of continuous prayer. He was a preacher of no mean ability. He grasped the truth of God with a strong conviction, and held it up to the clear view of all who heard. In his appeals to the Church for consecration and purity, and in his exhortation to the unconverted, he had not an equal among us. Brother Shasteen was not widely known in the Conference, his ministerial life having been spent in the Fayetteville District, with the exception of two years he traveled the Manchester and Normandy circuits; but he always left his footprints, and people loved and honored him wherever he labored. He was not well

during the session of Conference, and was granted leave of absence. He went home to die. He longed to get to his work, and could hardly be kept at home when Sunday would come. He said: "I am so anxious to be at work; but if it's the Lord's plan for me to quit, all right." He made every minute arrangement in regard to his burial. At his request the well-worn Oxford Bible, which had been his daily companion from the time he joined the Conference, was placed on his breast in the coffin, opened at the thirteenth chapter of St. Luke, from which chapter he had taken his last text. He loved his faithful old horse, and at his suggestion old "Ike," who had borne him for many years on his journeys, was led to his coffin, and looked in at his master's face with a degree of intelligence that astonished those present. We buried him at Marble Plains church where he was licensed to preach. Fully one thousand of his neighbors and friends gathered to join in the last rites over this man of God, to drop a tear, and to recall his virtues.

GEORGE W. MARTIN was born February 4, 1805; and died February 14, 1897. He was converted and united with the Methodist Church when quite young. He was licensed to exhort by Thomas A. Morris, afterwards bishop, December 14, 1824, and by the same was licensed to preach September 29, 1827, and received on trial in the Tennessee Conference the same fall. Bishop Roberts ordained him deacon November 23, 1829, and elder November 30, 1831. We have no record at hand of the circuits he traveled, but we know that he spent many years in the active work of an itinerant minister, receiving year by year his appointments from the hands of his brethren, and that he faithfully kept this up till age and the infirmities of life sent him to the retired ranks. Altogether he was a member of the Conference for nearly seventy years. His preaching was plain, but full of the gospel of the Lord Jesus Christ. He impressed all who heard him that he had a message from the Lord, and he delivered it with the seriousness of an ambassador of God. He was well up in Methodist doctrine, law, and usage. To him nothing seemed so near the heart of the gospel as the type of religion for which his Church stands; and this high ideal of Methodism, instead of narrowing, widened his charity to all Christians by its Christ-like catholicity. He loved all who loved our Lord Jesus Christ. Chaste in life and speech, he was never known to use a by-word. In private life his record was spotless. Honest, just, and upright in his dealings with men, he died owing no man anything. The earliest recollections of his children are the still hours when he took them in his arms and sought the

place of prayer. Having dedicated them to God in infancy, he never doubted their salvation, and he lived to see them all humble followers of Jesus. The latter years of his life were passed under a mental cloud, which never lifted till he entered the city. In all these years he seemed to have forgotten everything except the reminiscences of his youth. It was painfully touching to see the light of the present shut out and listen as he lived over again his boyhood days; but he never forgot the hour of prayer, and at the family altar his prayers were intelligent and unctuous. He sleeps in view of the home of his childhood.

R. P. RANSOM was born in 1825, and died September 12, 1897. It was the first day of the week. He had preached his last sermon the Sunday previous on "Heavenly Recognition." The child was an index to the man. One who knew him intimately from childhood said of him: "He had a different disposition from the rest of the children, being very quiet and slow in his action; seemed never to speak without first thinking, and had but little to say as a general thing. Very sturdy in his habits, he was the umpire with all the boys at home, and at school he settled all disputes. Whatever he said stood as law—he was judge and jury." When he entered school his parents were surprised to find that he could not learn as did the other children. The father, in his disappointment, at length threatened punishment, when the teacher discovered that he could not see the letters placed before him. Glasses remedied the defect, and learning became easy. The glasses were his help and hindrance during life. From early life he thought out his plans in silence, and only announced his purposes when they had been thoroughly formed, and the announcement was in the fewest words, without argument. His conversion took place at Winrow's Camp Ground in the early forties. One present at the time writes: "It was as clear and bright as you ever saw, and I don't suppose he ever had a doubt of its genuineness." Soon afterwards he said to his father: "I wish to enter college." All things were made ready, and then the father asked to what college he wanted to go. The answer was: "To Dr. Paine's college." Henceforth the student was a devoted admirer of the man who afterwards became Bishop Paine. After his return from college, one day, with equal quietness and decision, he announced a desire to go to Texas. Preparations were at once made, and, well mounted, he began the journey. The next thing the family heard was that he was preaching in Texas, and had joined the Texas Conference. A member of the family writes: "No one knew or thought of his preach-

ing. He had not hinted it even to his mother, whose favorite he was." His health failed in Texas, and he returned to Tennessee, joined the Tennessee Conference, and lived and labored on circuits, stations, and districts until called to his reward. The same self-contained quietness and strength characterized his whole life. As a preacher he never asked nor intimated a desire for place. Once only, perhaps, when it was suggested to him that an appointment might be had which rated better than the one he held, he replied: "I am afraid to attempt work of that kind now." This was late in his ministry. He had filled some of our best stations and districts. When, as years grew, he came to find himself in work of less importance (as men count), he entered upon it with the same earnest purpose that he had given to his largest work. If a thought of murmur came, no soul ever knew it. One of the sublimest utterances of Paul was fulfilled in the life of Richard Ransom: "I know both how to be abased, and I know how to abound." He was a man of large frame, magnificent brow, and was only hindered from a faultless presence by defective eyesight. Once, when he had preached a great sermon at a Conference session, an excellent critic said: "No man in our Conference equals Dick Ransom in the purity of his English." He spoke with deep earnestness everywhere, whether to crowded houses or to a score of hearers. The solemnity and grandeur of his message carried his hearers out of self and surroundings, lifting them up with him into a realization of the Christ whose messenger he was and the augustness of the message he was delivering. With all of the earlier Methodist text-books he was thoroughly familiar; he had mastered them and they had interpenetrated him. Richard Watson was never more fully infused into another life than into that of Richard Ransom, and he conveyed to his hearers every abstruse thought of Watson's with luminous accuracy—not as a copyist: all had been digested, reformed, and endowed with the fresh life of his own individuality. As teacher, accurate thinker, evangelically earnest dispenser of the fundamental truths of the gospel, we have had no man of nobler cast than was he. He would have been much more widely famous, but his defective eyesight did not allow him to catch inspiration from his audience. Profoundly earnest, always luminous, deeply spiritual, intense in zeal, he lacked only magnetic delivery. His lips were clean, his life on the highest model, his communion with God and his high spiritual experience uninterrupted. His first wife dying when their three boys were still young, he was for years in tender solicitude both father and mother. Of his three boys, one, the Rev. J. J. Ran-

som, is a member of our Conference; the other two entered the medical profession. Dr. R. P. Ransom practices his profession at Williamsport, S. C. Dr. R. B. Ransom, residing in Elm Mott, Texas, in the full tide of successful practice, found a change necessary to recruit his health, and came to the parsonage at Elkmont, Tenn., where his father was living. After some weeks of suffering, he died August 30, leaving a wife and several children. Fatigue from nursing his son, and the shock of deep sorrow which came to the father, developed a heart trouble, of which his family had no previous intimation. Four days he had been in bed without a word indicating anxiety. He had negatived the proposal to call by telegraph his son, the Rev. J. J. Ransom, and attempted to rise from his bed at twilight, Sunday, September 12, when death came without the utterance of word or groan. Watching with him at the bedside of his son was the faithful and helpful companion of his later years. She was in all things a meet companion for a self-denying Methodist itinerant preacher. More could not be said. His was an ideal Christian home-going. The hindrances of age were at the door, the boys were mature, the saint was ready for either life here or in heaven; the door gently pushed back, and his now unlimited vision swept the glories of the higher life.

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

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

Nashville District.

	Mem- bers.	Loc'l Pr's.
McKendree.....	758	7
Elm Street.....	926	4
West End.....	660	6
West Nashville.....	279	1
Carroll Street.....	476	2
North High Street.....	480	1
Park Avenue.....	249	4
South Street.....	197	1
McTyeire Memorial.....	328	1
Humphreys Street.....	337	.....
Waverly Place.....	135	1
Fillmore Street.....	127	.....
Blakemore.....	192	1
Arlington.....	132	.....
Nashville City Mission.....	369	9
Centenary.....	388	4
Bellevue.....	200	2
	6,249	44

East Nashville District.

Tulip Street.....	917	5
McFerrin Memorial.....	653	4
Woodland Street Mission.....	59	2
East End.....	191	2
Hobson Chapel.....	165	.....
Trinity.....	136	.....
Greenland.....	308	.....

East Nashville District (Continued).

	Mem- bers.	Loc'l Pr's.
Cumberland.....	202	.....
Goodlettsville.....	365	.....
Green Brier.....	265	3
Baker's Station.....	534	3
Fountain Head.....	288	.....
Gallatin.....	429	.....
Sumner.....	331	1
Saundersville.....	357	.....
Bethpage.....	188	.....
Westmoreland.....	490	2
Castalian Springs.....	196	1
Hermitage.....	477	1
Trammel.....	298	.....
Total	6,842	24

Lebanon District.

Lebanon.....	298	1
Carthage and Alexandria.....	235	1
Smithville.....	495	1
Cookeville and Mission.....	186	1
Pleasant Grove and Mission.....	465	5
Gainesboro Mission.....	381	3
Liberty.....	348	1
Livingston.....	567	1
Overton.....	291	2
Obed River.....	296	.....
Cokesbury.....	550	1
Mt. Olivet.....	360	2
Wartrace.....	585	5
Goose Creek.....	521	.....
Lebanon Circuit.....	377	1
New Middleton.....	364	.....
Jacob's Hill.....	274	1
Cainsville Mission.....	169	2
Total	6,762	28

Murfreesboro District.

Murfreesboro.....	572	.....
Stone's River.....	404	1
Rockvale.....	379	1
Smyrna and Walnut Grove.....	301	1
La Vergne.....	178	.....
Woodbury.....	316	1
Beech Grove.....	390	5
Wartrace.....	428	1
Manchester and Summitville.....	357	.....
Shelbyville.....	272	.....
Shelbyville Circuit.....	336	.....
Tulahoma.....	210	1
Normandy.....	465	.....
Hickory Creek.....	750	2
McMinnville.....	221	1
McMinnville Circuit.....	478	3
Quebec.....	166	1
Spencer.....	250	1
Sparta.....	234	.....
Sparta Circuit.....	693	.....
Beersheba.....	135	2
Total	7,520	21

Fayetteville District.

Fayetteville.....	214	1
Fayetteville Circuit.....	432	2
Macedonia.....	289	2
Blanche.....	517	.....
Lynchburg and Mulberry.....	227	1
Lynchburg Circuit.....	591	4
Medinn.....	450	3
Petersburg and Moore's Chapel.....	130	1
Cornersville.....	451	2
Lewisburg.....	232	.....
Salem.....	439	1
Winchester.....	149	.....
Marble Plains.....	473	1
Decherd and Mission.....	284	.....
Hillsboro.....	897	6
Monteagle.....	286	3
Tracy City.....	271	1
Rich Valley.....	319	3
Unionville.....	677	1
Bellbuckle.....	351	1
Total	7,679	33

Columbia District.

	Mem- bers.	Loc'l Pr's.
Columbia.....	506	2
South Columbia.....	286	.....
Mt. Pleasant Station.....	286	5
Culleoka and Hurricane.....	191	1
Bigbyville.....	423	.....
Hebron.....	234	1
Mooresville.....	234	.....
Olivet and Lynnville.....	339	1
Pleasant Valley and Salem.....	231	.....
Pulaski.....	589	.....
Trinity.....	475	1
Fall River.....	387	1
Prospect.....	551	2
Richland.....	258	1
Bunker Hill.....	178	.....
Pisgah.....	678	4
Dianna.....	390	.....
Bee Springs.....	470	3
Elkton.....	112	.....
Pleasant Hill and Smyrna.....	20	2
Total	7,026	24

Franklin District.

Franklin.....	494	5
Douglas.....	389	3
Spring Hill.....	130	.....
Carter's Creek.....	366	1
Neapolis.....	442	2
Brentwood and Trinity.....	270	.....
Bethesda.....	586	3
Woodbine.....	97	1
Nolensville.....	531	1
Almaville.....	286	2
College Grove.....	429	.....
Chapel Hill and Caney Springs.....	301	.....
Farmington and Verona.....	265	1
Bethlehem and Johnson.....	234	2
Fernvale Mission.....	325	1
Mill Creek.....	235	1
Berlin.....	371	2
Total	5,767	25

Clarksville District.

Madison Street.....	533	1
Forest Street and Bethlehem.....	326	.....
Montgomery.....	523	2
New Providence and Bethel.....	243	.....
Big Rock.....	617	3
Palmyra.....	472	2
Antioch.....	538	2
South Side.....	568	3
Asbury.....	454	.....
Clifton and Mallory's.....	597	1
Guthrie.....	317	1
Ashland and Pleasant View.....	264	2
Sadlersville and Adams Station.....	350	.....
Cedar Hill.....	437	2
Springfield.....	275	1
Red River.....	556	.....
Cross Plains.....	579	3
Total	7,699	23

Dickson District.

Centerville.....	242	1
Shady Grove.....	411	2
Santa Fé.....	634	5
Goodrich.....	289	3
White Bluff and Mission.....	238	2
Dickson.....	233	1
Charlotte.....	733	2
Edgewood.....	431	3
Houston.....	483	3
Erin.....	177	3
Cumberland City.....	393	2
Dover.....	463	1
Standing Rock.....	351	5
Stewart.....	621	2
Hustburg.....	382	6
Liberty.....	316	.....
Waverly.....	190	2
McEwen and Mission.....	325	8
Bold Spring.....	453	3
Total	7,475	54

Savannah District.

	Mem- bers.	Loc 1 Pr's.
Savannah.....	266	.....
Savannah Circuit.....	571	4
Waynesboro.....	181	.....
Mt. Auburn.....	409	1
Clifton.....	208	.....
Linden and Beardstown.....	191	1
Linden Mission.....	247	3
Cane Creek.....	177	2
Lowryville.....	280	.....
Lawrenceburg.....	287	1
Pleasant Point.....	84	.....
West Point.....	186	1
Hampshire and Pisgah.....	168	1
Sandy Hook and Bethel.....	149	.....
Williamsport.....	339	3
Summertown.....	336	1
	4,079	18

Recapitulation.

Nashville District.....	6,249	44
East Nashville District.....	6,842	24
Lebanon District.....	6,762	28
Murfreesboro District.....	7,520	21
Fayetteville District.....	7,679	33
Columbia District.....	7,026	24
Franklin District.....	5,767	25
Clarksville District.....	7,699	23
Dickson District.....	7,475	54
Savannah District.....	4,079	18
Total this year.....	67,098	294
Total last year.....	67,552	281
Increase.....	.....	13
Decrease.....	45	.....

Ques. 22. How many infants have been baptized during the year? 896.

Ques. 23. How many adults have been baptized during the year? 2,372.

Ques. 24. What is the number of Epworth Leagues? 179.

Ques. 25. What is the number of Epworth League members? 6,498.

Ques. 26. What is the number of Sunday schools? 573½.

Ques. 27. What is the number of Sunday-school teachers? 4,065.

Ques. 28. What is the number of Sunday-school scholars? 34,691.

Ques. 29. What amount is necessary for the superannuated preachers and the widows and orphans of preachers? \$6,600.

Ques. 30. What has been collected on the foregoing account? and how has it been applied? \$6,750.57. Applied to claimants.

Ques. 31. What has been contributed for Missions? Foreign Missions, \$11,506.69; Domestic Missions, \$7,184.05. Total, \$18,690.74.

Ques. 32. What has been contributed for Church extension? \$2,961.40.

Ques. 33. What has been done for the American Bible Society? \$570.23 collected.

Ques. 34. What has been contributed for the support of presiding elders and preachers in charge? Presiding elders, \$11,626.12; preachers in charge, \$81,727.54.

Ques. 35. What has been contributed for the support of bishops? \$1,776.38.

Ques. 36. What is the number of societies and the number and estimated value

of church-edifices? Societies, 690; church-edifices, 589; value, \$1,040,265.

Ques. 37. What is the number of pastoral charges, and the number and value of parsonages owned by them? Charges, 186; parsonages, 125; value, \$129,338.

Ques. 38. What is the number and value of district parsonages? Number, 4; value, \$6,200.

Ques. 39. What are the educational statistics? Schools, 8; officers and teachers, 165; students, 1,606; value of property, \$236,500; contributed on educational assessment, \$1,420.13.

Ques. 40. Where shall the next session of the Conference be held? Clarksville, Tenn.

Ques. 41. Where are the preachers stationed this year?

NASHVILLE DISTRICT.

R. K. Brown, P. E.

- McKendree, J. C. Morris.
- Elm Street, W. T. Haggard.
- West End, W. H. Cotton.
- West Nashville, T. C. Ragsdale.
- Carroll Street, J. J. Stowe.
- North High Street, R. R. Jones.
- Park Avenue, Lewis Powell.
- South Street Mission, G. W. Anderson.
- McTyeire Memorial, S. M. Cherry.
- Humphreys Street, G. C. Rector.
- Waverly Place, S. G. Thompson.
- Woodbine, W. A. Leath.
- Watkins Grove Mission, F. H. Coleman.
- Blakemore, J. F. Morelock.
- Arlington, P. A. Sowell.
- Nashville City Mission, W. M. Green.
- Centenary Mission, J. C. Myers.
- Bellevue, to be supplied.
- Chaplain to state prison, P. L. Cobb.
- Book Agent, J. D. Barbee.

EAST NASHVILLE DISTRICT.

W. J. Collier, P. E.

- Tulip Street, A. P. McFerrin, Jr.
- McFerrin Memorial, S. E. Wasson.
- Alex Erwin, J. J. Pitts.
- East End, B. H. Hudgens.
- Hobson Chapel, J. S. Rice, B. F. Haynes.
- Trinity, G. P. Jackson.
- Greenland Circuit, J. F. Beasley.
- Cumberland Circuit, T. S. Cullom.
- Goodlettsville, J. A. McFerrin.
- Green Brier Mission, J. G. Rice.
- Baker Station, R. E. Travis.
- Fountain Head Mission, J. R. Williams.
- Gallatin, T. A. Kerley.
- Sumner Circuit, J. J. Shaw.
- Saundersville, H. S. McBride.
- Bethpage, S. L. Fain.
- Fairfield Mission, W. H. Baird.
- Castalian Springs, I. W. Hickam.
- Hermitage Circuit, W. L. Jackson.
- Pleasant Grove Mission, T. R. Clendenin.

LEBANON DISTRICT.

T. B. Fisher, P. E.

Lebanon, W. Weakley.
 Carthage and Alexandria, J. B. Jordan.
 Smithville, W. J. Walkup; A. H. Reams,
 Sup.
 Cookeville Mission, T. J. Baker.
 Pleasant Grove Mission, Z. W. Moores.
 Gainesboro Mission, M. N. Ford.
 Liberty Circuit, W. H. Gilbert.
 Livingston Mission, J. W. Hatcher.
 Overton Mission, J. F. Bumpus.
 Obed River Mission, N. B. Taylor.
 Cokesbury Circuit, W. M. Freer.
 Mt. Olivet Circuit, T. A. Carden.
 Wartrace Circuit, J. L. Smotherman.
 Goose Creek Circuit, G. D. Byrne.
 Lebanon Circuit, J. P. Funk.
 New Middleton Circuit, T. H. Hinson.
 Jacob's Hill Circuit, B. T. Smotherman.
 Cainsville Mission, S. C. Baird.
 Monterey and Pleasant Ridge Mission, J.
 T. Tracy.

MURFREESBORO DISTRICT.

J. A. Orman, P. E.

Murfreesboro, J. W. Cherry.
 Stone's River Circuit, J. W. Cullom.
 Smyrna Circuit, J. R. Goodlee.
 Rockvale Circuit, S. M. Keathley; J. R.
 Thompson, Sup.
 Woodbury Mission, John C. Keathley.
 Christiana Circuit, M. J. Mabry.
 Beech Grove Circuit, M. P. Woods.
 Wartrace Circuit, W. A. Turner.
 Shelbyville, A. M. Trawick.
 Normandy Mission, J. M. Jordan.
 Tullahoma, H. M. Jarvis.
 Manchester and Summitville, E. W. Brown.
 Hickory Creek Circuit, Jerome Winford.
 McMinnville, J. W. Smith.
 McMinnville Mission, W. R. Keathley.
 Sparta Station, O. P. Hill.
 Sparta Mission, M. W. Charles.
 Quebec Mission, J. W. Booker.
 Spenser Mission, J. A. Bridges.
 Beersheba Springs Mission, C. R. Waue.

FAYETTEVILLE DISTRICT.

L. R. Amis, P. E.

Fayetteville, E. M. Harrell.
 Fayetteville Circuit, J. G. Blackwood.
 Macedonia Mission, to be supplied by F.
 M. Liles.
 Blanche Circuit, J. M. Oakley.
 Lynchburg and Mulberry, A. E. Clement.
 Lynchburg Circuit, R. B. Davidson.
 Medium Circuit, G. W. Blanton.
 Cornersville Circuit, W. W. Graves.
 Lewisburg and Petersburg, George A.
 Morgan.
 Salem Circuit, J. N. Handlin.
 Winchester, W. A. Lusby.
 Marble Plains Circuit, J. R. Holmes.
 Hillsboro Mission, U. N. M. Berry.

Pelham Mission, J. T. Duncan.
 Mont Eagle and Decherd Mission, J. O.
 Blanton.
 Tracy City, T. B. Curtis; one to be sup-
 plied by B. F. Gilbert.
 Bellbuckle, J. W. Hanner.
 Rich Valley Circuit, T. L. Darnell.
 Unionville Circuit, G. S. Byrom, M. C.
 Rowland.

COLUMBIA DISTRICT.

J. R. Stewart, P. E.

Columbia, D. C. Kelley.
 South Columbia, W. D. Wendel.
 Mt. Pleasant, A. C. Couey.
 Culleoka and Hurricane, W. H. Johnston.
 Bigbyville Circuit, W. F. Powers.
 Taylor's Chapel, to be supplied by J. A.
 Molloy.
 Mooresville Circuit, J. D. Massey.
 Olivet and Lynnville, J. T. Blackwood.
 Pleasant Valley and Salem, J. L. Kellum.
 Trinity Circuit, T. H. Woodward.
 Fall River Mission, P. G. Johnson.
 Prospect Circuit, W. H. Lovell.
 Richland Circuit, J. G. Molloy.
 Bunker Hill Mission, P. D. Freeman.
 Pisgah Circuit, J. H. Nichols.
 Diana Circuit, A. P. Walker.
 Bee Springs Circuit, Wood Bouldin.
 Elkton, W. J. Stuart.
 Pleasant Hill and Smyrna, to be supplied
 by E. B. Worsham.
 Martin Female College, S. N. Barker,
 President.

FRANKLIN DISTRICT.

J. T. Curry, P. E.

Franklin, H. B. Reams.
 Douglas Circuit, R. W. Seay.
 Spring Hill, W. B. Taylor.
 Carter's Creek Circuit, B. F. Isom.
 Neapolis Circuit, G. E. Eubank.
 Brentwood and Thompson's, H. B. Mc-
 Neill.
 Bethesda Circuit, W. S. Harwell.
 Santa Fé Circuit, N. B. S. Owings.
 Nolensville Circuit, Joseph Webster.
 Almaville Mission, W. T. Dye.
 College Grove Circuit, G. B. McPeak.
 Chapel Hill and Caney Springs, C. S. Ga-
 bard.
 Farmington and Verona, D. B. Coleman.
 Bethlehem and Johnson, N. B. Stone.
 Fernvale Mission, F. W. Johnson.
 Berlin Mission, S. W. Bransford.
 Trinity and Triune, G. L. Beale.

SAVANNAH DISTRICT.

J. W. Hensley, P. E.

Savannah, E. L. Gregory.
 Savannah Circuit, J. C. Roberts.
 Waynesboro Circuit, G. W. Taylor.
 Mt. Auburn Circuit, to be supplied by P.
 W. Ward.

Clifton Circuit, G. L. Hensley.
 Linden and Beardstown, J. A. Patterson.
 Linden Mission, W. D. Cherry.
 Cane Creek Mission, W. H. Williams.
 Lowryville, to be supplied by S. G. Tread-
 away.
 Lawrenceburg, J. N. Jones.
 Wayland Springs Mission, C. E. Heriges.
 West Point, to be supplied by Bion Hens-
 ley.
 Hampshire and Cross Bridges, E. A. Stel-
 lar.
 Sandy Hook Mission, A. H. Dickson.
 Williamsport Circuit, W. H. Beasley.
 Summertown Mission, P. D. Gardner.
 Napier and Laurel Hill, to be supplied by
 W. A. Carver.

DICKSON DISTRICT.

T. L. Moody, P. E.

Centerville, G. M. Sanders.
 Shady Grove Circuit, J. R. Reeves.
 Vernon Mission, J. G. Hinson.
 White Bluff Mission, J. R. Harris.
 Dickson, R. J. Craig.
 Charlotte Circuit, J. W. Gilbert.
 Edgewood Circuit, A. C. Mathews.
 Erin, H. B. Blue.
 Cumberland City, J. K. Lee.
 Dover Circuit, S. M. Cherry, Jr.
 Standing Rock Circuit, A. J. McClanahan.
 Long Creek Circuit, to be supplied by
 George H. Largent.
 Stewart Circuit, D. J. Proctor.

Hustburg Circuit, W. T. Hart.
 Liberty Circuit, to be supplied by B. J.
 Rochell.
 Waverly Station, F. E. Alford.
 McZwen Mission, J. R. Reagin; one to be
 supplied by J. R. Coleman.

CLARKSVILLE DISTRICT.

W. B. Lowry, P. E.

Clarksville: Madison Street, J. B. Erwin.
 Forest Street and Bethlehem Mission,
 T. W. Noland.
 Montgomery Circuit, J. L. Chenault.
 New Providence and Bethel, W. H. Doss.
 Big Rock Circuit, R. P. Gray.
 Palmyra Mission, J. H. Ray.
 Antioch Circuit, W. H. Klyce.
 Southside, B. W. Dodson.
 Asbury Circuit, W. T. Freeman.
 Clifton and Mallory's, J. W. Faies.
 Guthrie Circuit, W. T. S. Cook.
 Ashland City and Pleasant View, J. L.
 Teague.
 Sadlersville and Adams Station, B. H.
 Johnson.
 Cedar Hill, J. F. Tinnon.
 Springfield, J. J. Ransom.
 Red River Circuit, A. T. Goodloe.
 Cross Plains Circuit, W. V. Jarratt.

Transferred.—W. F. Wilson, to the Ar-
 kansas Conference; J. M. Terrell, to the
 Western North Carolina Conference.

CENTRAL MEXICO MISSION CONFERENCE.

HELD AT MEXICO CITY, MEXICO, OCTOBER 21-24, 1897.

BISHOP DUNCAN, *President*; J. R. MOOD, *Secretary*.

QUESTION 1. Who are admitted on trial?
 ANSWER. None.

Ques. 2. Who remain on trial? None.

Ques. 3. Who are discontinued? Daniel
 Espinosa. 1.

Ques. 4. Who are admitted into full con-
 vention? Manuel Lopez, Jenaro Paz. 2.

Ques. 5. Who are readmitted? None.

Ques. 6. Who are received by transfer
 from other Conferences? None.

Ques. 7. Who are the deacons of one
 year? V. Aguayo, J. M. Sandoval, D. Na-
 vas, M. Culhuac, J. B. Anguiano. 5.

Ques. 8. What traveling preachers are
 elected deacons? Manuel Lopez, Jenaro
 Paz. 2.

Ques. 9. What traveling preachers are
 ordained deacons? Manuel Lopez, Jenaro
 Paz. 2

Ques. 10. What local preachers are elect-
 ed deacons? Domingo Ortiz. 1.

Ques. 11. What local preachers are or-
 dained deacons? Domingo Ortiz. 1.

Ques. 12. What traveling preachers are
 elected elders? V. G. Santin. 1.

Ques. 13. What traveling preachers are
 ordained elders? V. G. Santin. 1.

Ques. 14. What local preachers are elect-
 ed elders? None.

Ques. 15. What local preachers are or-
 dained elders? None.

Ques. 16. Who are located this year?
 M. H. Cuevas, Noe Aguilar, José Mo-
 rales. 3.

Ques. 17. Who are supernumerary?
 None.

Ques. 18. Who are superannuated?
 None.

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

Ques. 20. Are all the preachers blameless in their life and official administration? Their names were called over, one by one, and their characters examined and passed. J. G. Ramirez, J. B. Alarcon, B. G. Reyes, and L. G. Prieto surrendered their credentials and withdrew from the Church.

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

Mexico District.

	Mem- bers.	Loc'l Pr's.
Mexico.....	167	.....
Xochiaca.....	101	.....
Cocotitlan.....	98	.....
Tula.....	127	1
Toluca.....	215	.....
Metepco.....	52	.....
Toqucingo.....	70	.....
Rincon.....	331	1
Tlalmimilopa.....	55	.....
	1,216	2

Puebla District.

Puebla.....	28	1
Orizaba.....	85	1
Matamoros.....	222	.....
Magdalena.....	203	.....
Tochimisolco.....	75	.....
Cuautla.....	123	.....
Cuernavaca.....	58	.....
Ticuman.....	64	.....
Amecameca.....	90	1
Tulyehualco.....	29	.....
	977	3

San Luis Potosi District.

San Luis Potosi.....	47	2
Morelia.....	40	.....
Nahuatzen.....	.....	.....
San Luis Potosi, American Church.....	21	.....
	108	2

Guadalajara District.

Guadalajara.....	160	8
Ahuacalco.....	103	.....
Zapatlan.....	88	1
Colima.....	34	.....
Antlan.....	23	.....
Tecolotlan.....	66	.....
Tepic.....	73	1
Cuyutlan.....	36	.....
Santa Maria.....	48	.....
	631	10

Recapitulation.

Mexico District.....	1,216	2
Puebla District.....	977	3
San Luis Potosi District.....	108	2
Guadalajara District.....	631	10
Total this year.....	2,932	17
Total last year.....	3,223	18
Decrease.....	291	1

Ques. 22. How many infants have been baptized during the year? 154.

Ques. 23. How many adults have been baptized during the year? 196.

Ques. 24. What is the number of Epworth Leagues? 9.

Ques. 25. What is the number of Epworth League members? 229.

Ques. 26. What is the number of Sunday schools? 42.

Ques. 27. What is the number of Sunday-school teachers? 103.

Ques. 28. What is the number of Sunday-school scholars? 1,272.

Ques. 29. What amount is necessary for the superannuated preachers and the widows and orphans of preachers? \$150.

Ques. 30. What has been collected on the foregoing account? and how has it been applied? \$99.29. Applied to claimants.

Ques. 31. What has been contributed for Missions? Foreign Missions, \$155.09.

Ques. 32. What has been contributed for Church Extension? \$70.41.

Ques. 33. What has been done for the American Bible Society? \$7.12.

Ques. 34. What has been contributed for the support of presiding elders and preachers in charge? Presiding elders, \$23.48; preachers in charge, \$1,309.29.

Ques. 35. What has been contributed for the support of bishops? Nothing.

Ques. 36. What is the number of societies, and the number and estimated value of church edifices? Societies, 62; church edifices, 34; value, \$46,406.

Ques. 37. What is the number of pastoral charges, and the number and value of parsonages owned by them? Charges, 32; parsonages, 12; value, \$50,998.

Ques. 38. What is the number and value of district parsonages? None.

Ques. 39. What are the educational statistics? Institutions, 4; students, 444; teachers, 19; value of property, \$16,480.

Ques. 40. Where shall the next session of the Conference be held? Mexico City.

Ques. 41. Where are the preachers stationed this year?

MEXICO DISTRICT.

W. D. King, P. E.

Mexico, S. G. Paz.
 Xochiaca, N. Gomez.
 Tula, to be supplied.
 Cocotitlan, T. T. Becerra.
 Puebla, to be supplied.
 Matamoros, M. Culhuac.
 Tochimisolco, D. Ortiz.
 Magdalena, D. O. Monsalvo.
 Cuernavaca, D. Paz.
 Amecameca, to be supplied by L. A. Morales.
 Orizaba, V. G. Santin.
 Cuautla, to be supplied by L. Acosta.
 Ticuman, J. B. Anguiano.
 Tulyehualco, S. B. Reyes.
 American Bible Society in Venezuela, J. R. Norwood, Superintendent.

GUADALAJARA DISTRICT.

J. B. Cox, P. E.

Guadalajara, A. Blanco.
 Guadalajara Circuit, F. Reyes.

Ahualulco, J. M. Sandoval.
 Tecolatlan and Autlan, M. T. Lopez.
 Tepic and Santa Maria, J. Paz.
 Rosa Morada, V. Aguayo.
 Cindam Guzman, J. S. Rivera.
 Colima, to be supplied.

SAN LUIS POTOSI DISTRICT.

A. Portugal, P. E.

San Luis Potosi, J. R. Mood.
 American Church, F. S. Onderdonk.

Aguas Calientes Circuit, to be supplied.
 Morelia, to be supplied by A. Navas.
 Nahuatzen, to be supplied by E. Villalobos.
 Toluca and Metepec, M. Zavaleta.
 Joquicingo and Capulhuac, D. Navas.
 Santa Maria, to be supplied by A. Aguilar.
 Rincon and Santa Cruz, C. Martinez.

Transferred.—George B. Winton, to the Mexican Border Mission Conference.

MEXICAN BORDER MISSION CONFERENCE.

HELD AT SALTILLO, COAHUILA, MEXICO, OCTOBER 28-31, 1897.

BISHOP DUNCAN, *President*; T. DEL VALLE, *Secretary*.

QUESTION 1. Who are admitted on trial?
 ANSWER. None.

Ques. 2. Who remain on trial? None.

Ques. 3. Who are discontinued? None.

Ques. 4. Who are admitted into full connection? Nicholas E. Joyner. 1.

Ques. 5. Who are readmitted? None.

Ques. 6. Who are received by transfer from other Conferences? George B. Winton, from the Central Mexico Mission Conference; Nicholas E. Joyner, from the Louisiana Conference. 2.

Ques. 7. Who are the deacons of one year? Félix Tavárez, P. M. Armendáriz, F. N. Galván. 3.

Ques. 8. What traveling preachers are elected deacons? None.

Ques. 9. What traveling preachers are ordained deacons? None.

Ques. 10. What local preachers are elected deacons? None.

Ques. 11. What local preachers are ordained deacons? None.

Ques. 12. What traveling preachers are elected elders? L. F. Castro. 1.

Ques. 13. What traveling preachers are ordained elders? L. F. Castro, N. E. Joyner. 2.

Ques. 14. What local preachers are elected elders? None.

Ques. 15. What local preachers are ordained elders? None.

Ques. 16. Who are located this year? Antonio Hösch, for unacceptability. 1.

Ques. 17. Who are supernumerary? J. W. Grimes. 1.

Ques. 18. Who are superannuated? C. J. Quesenberry, P. M. Armendáriz. 2.

Ques. 19. What preachers have died during the past year? J. M. Chávez. 1.

married Miss Carmen Vargas. Not very long after his marriage he went to Eagle Pass, Tex., where he lived a comfortable life, working as a mason. From there he moved to Brakettville, in which place he for the first time heard the gospel preached by our venerable brother, J. P. Rodríguez. Brother Chávez, on hearing the good news of salvation through Christ alone, earnestly believed, and consecrated himself to the Lord, joining our Church. His practical Christian life contributed greatly toward the conversion of his wife, who was deeply imbued with the superstitions of the Romish Church, and many other persons besides. About the year 1878 he returned to Eagle Pass, where he proved to be a model Christian and a faithful official of the Church. Brother Chávez was not a learned man, nor did he possess a fine intellect; but he had a sensible soul and a noble heart. These qualifications caused him to be licensed a local preacher. In 1887 he was admitted on trial in the itinerant connection in our Conference. As an itinerant preacher brother Chávez worked with the same fidelity, but especially so in Allende, Mexico. Owing to his perseverance and energy, he left a church built there. He contributed toward the building of this church one hundred dollars; and, besides, he worked as a mason, fulfilling at the same time his duties as pastor of the congregation. This was not the only monument he left; he also left a strong and well-organized congregation, in which there were many members soundly converted through his instrumentality. While stationed in Cerralvo, state of Nuevo León, Mexico, brother Chávez was stricken with blindness. He could not fill his pastorate any longer, and was or-

JOSE MARIA CHAVEZ was born in Monclova, state of Coahuila, Mexico. He

dered by his presiding elder, brother Andrés San Miguel, to remove to Monclova. There he stayed for some time, without any help from the mission or otherwise. He suffered the most abject poverty until the Conference superannuated him in 1893, allowing him a very small pension. Notwithstanding his hardships and bodily sufferings, brother Chávez remained faithful to his Lord and his Church until his death, which occurred on the 28th of February, 1897, at Cindad Porfirio Diaz, state of Coahuila, Mexico. In him the Conference has lost one of its most faithful workers, the Church one of its most worthy members; but heaven has gained one more soul for the glory of our God and Father.

Ques. 20. Are all the preachers blameless in their life and official administration? Their names were called over, one by one, and their characters examined and passed. Antonio Hösch was located without his consent.

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

San Antonio District.

	Mem- bers.	Loc'l Pr's.
San Antonio and Tobey.....	23	2
Austin and San Marcos.....	212	2
Luling	6	1
Picoso.....	98	2
Bandera.....	58	.....
Corpus Christi.....	115	.....
Cotulla.....	38	.....
Del Rio.....	113	.....
Porfirio Diaz.....	57	.....
Allende.....	53	.....
	1,037	7

Tamaulipas District.

Río Grande and Camargo.....	64	.....
Mier and Guerrero.....	78	2
Reinosa.....	70	.....
Agualeguas.....	25	.....
Bravo.....	33	.....
Cerralvo.....	7	.....
	277	2

Monterey District.

Monterey: Mexican Congregation.....	82	4
English Congregation	28	1
Saltillo	49	3
Lampazos and Villadama.....	37	1
Laredo and Nuevo Laredo.....	264	2
San Francisco	28	.....
Monclova.....	35	1
Nadadores.....	37	.....
	561	12

Recapitulation.

San Antonio District.....	1,037	7
Tamaulipas District.....	277	2
Monterey District.....	561	12
Total this year.....	1,875	21
Total last year.....	1,769	21
Increase.....	106	.....

Ques. 22. How many infants have been baptized during the year? 166.

Ques. 23. How many adults have been baptized during the year? 155.

Ques. 24. What is the number of Epworth Leagues? 11.

Ques. 25. What is the number of Epworth League members? 411.

Ques. 26. What is the number of Sunday schools? 54.

Ques. 27. What is the number of Sunday-school teachers? 138.

Ques. 28. What is the number of Sunday-school scholars? 1,457.

Ques. 29. What amount is necessary for the superannuated preachers and the widows and orphans of preachers? \$280.

Ques. 30. What has been collected on the foregoing account? and how has it been applied? \$187. Applied to claimants.

Ques. 31. What has been contributed for Missions? Foreign Missions, \$331.34.

Ques. 32. What has been contributed for Church Extension? \$112.37.

Ques. 33. What has been done for the American Bible Society? \$24.51.

Ques. 34. What has been contributed for the support of presiding elders and preachers in charge? Presiding elders, \$30.50; preacher in charge, \$1,781.52.

Ques. 35. What has been contributed for the support of bishops? \$20.50.

Ques. 36. What is the number of societies, and the number and estimated value of church edifices? Societies, 64; church edifices, 18; value, \$38,388.

Ques. 37. What is the number of pastoral charges, and the number and value of parsonages owned by them? Charges, 24; parsonages, 6; value, \$1,780.

Ques. 38. What is the number and value of district parsonages? None.

Ques. 39. What are the educational statistics? Instituto Laurens, Monterey: Officers and teachers, 8; students, 130; value of property, \$15,000. Colegio Inglés, Saltillo: Officers and teachers, 8; students, 108; value of property, \$13,000. (No report of Laredo Seminary.)

Ques. 40. Where shall the next session of the Conference be held? San Antonio, Tex.

Ques. 41. Where are the preachers stationed this year?

SAN ANTONIO DISTRICT.

G. B. Winton, P. E.

San Antonio, M. D. San Miguel.
Austin and San Marcos, Pedro Grado.
Luling, Félix Tavárez.
Mendoza, to be supplied.

Picoso, Matilde Treviño.
Tobey and Bandera, J. P. Rodríguez.
Corpus Christi, G. A. Velásquez.
Cotulla, L. F. Castro.
Del Rio, A. de León.
C. Porfirio Diaz, Eulalio Chávez.
Allende, Ignacio Escalante.
El Evangelista Mexicano, D. W. Carter,
Editor; T. del Valle, Assistant.

TAMAULIPAS DISTRICT.

P. G. Verduzco, P. E.

Rio Grande and Carmargo, A. A. Cárdenas.

Mier and Guerrero, P. G. Verduzco.

Reinosa, Luis Gómez.

El Bravo, Josué Acosta.

General Treviño, F. N. Galván.

MONTEREY DISTRICT.

K. J. Yearwood, P. E.

Monterey: Mexican Congregation, Basilio Soto.

English Congregation, N. E. Joyner; J. W. Grimes, Sup.

Saltillo, T. del Valle, Andrés Osuna.

Lampazos and Villaldama, Santiago Tafolla.

Laredo and Nuevo Laredo, J. J. Mercado.

San Francisco, Andrés San Miguel.

Monclova, Julián Castro.

Nadadores, Santos Romo.

Conference Missionary Secretary, A. San Miguel.

Conference Educational Secretary, K. J. Yearwood.

Conference Colporteur, T. del Valle.

WEST TEXAS CONFERENCE.

HELD AT CUERO, TEX., NOVEMBER 3-8, 1897.

BISHOP GRANBERY, *President*; STERLING FISHER, *Secretary*.

QUESTION 1. Who are admitted on trial?

ANSWER. William T. Renfro, Jesse T. King, Martin E. Riser. 3.

Ques. 2. Who remain on trial? Nathan B. Thompson, William A. Bowen, Marion T. Allen, John R. Smelser, John M. Linn, Joseph J. Franks. 6.

Ques. 3. Who are discontinued? M. J. McCann, Reuben S. Pierce, at their own request. 2.

Ques. 4. Who are admitted into full connection? Charles F. Annis, William A. Biven. 2.

Ques. 5. Who are readmitted? None.

Ques. 6. Who are received by transfer from other Conferences? W. E. Boggs, from the Little Rock Conference; M. J. McCann, J. C. H. McKnight, from the East Texas Conference; A. J. McCulloch, from the Southwest Missouri Conference; J. E. Buck, from the North Mississippi Conference; Byron C. Roach, from the Memphis Conference; William A. Govett, from the New Mexico Conference. 7.

Ques. 7. Who are the deacons of one year? John D. Worrell, Henry F. Harris. 2.

Ques. 8. What traveling preachers are elected deacons? Charles F. Annis, William A. Biven. 2.

Ques. 9. What traveling preachers are ordained deacons? Charles F. Annis, William A. Biven. 2.

Ques. 10. What local preachers are elected deacons? Thomas J. Stockton, Charles M. Myers, Mason K. Fred, Marion T. Allen, John R. Smelser, Joseph J. Franks. 6.

Ques. 11. What local preachers are ordained deacons? Thomas J. Stockton, Charles M. Myers, Mason K. Fred, Marion

T. Allen, John R. Smelser, Joseph J. Franks. 6.

Ques. 12. What traveling preachers are elected elders? None.

Ques. 13. What traveling preachers are ordained elders? None.

Ques. 14. What local preachers are elected elders? William A. Bowen. 1.

Ques. 15. What local preachers are ordained elders? William A. Bowen. 1.

Ques. 16. Who are located this year? William F. Gibbons, William A. Biven, George M. Gardner, at their own request. 3.

Ques. 17. Who are supernumerary? None.

Ques. 18. Who are superannuated? E. B. Galloway, J. A. Lowe, J. P. Rogers, E. G. Duval, William Monk, H. G. Horton, W. M. Shockley, J. F. Denton, N. W. Keith, W. J. Joyce, A. M. Leaton, A. G. Nolen, J. A. Wright, M. J. Allen, S. G. Shaw, Alanson Brown, T. F. Dimmitt. 17.

Ques. 19. What preachers have died during the past year? A. F. Cox. 1.

ALEXANDER F. COX was born in Abingdon, Washington county, Va., December 1, 1823; died in Beeville, Tex., April 5, 1897. His religious life dates from his youth. In his twenty-first year he was licensed to preach by the Rev. David Fleming. He joined the Holston Conference in October, 1844, and remained in that Conference twelve years. In 1846 he was ordained deacon by Bishop Capers, and elder by Bishop Pierce in 1858. He came to Texas in 1856 and settled in Goliad, then a mere village. At that time there were only two Conferences in the state—the East Texas and the Texas. He joined the latter, but

continued his residence at Goliad for about ten years. During this time he was connected with Aranama College, was editor and proprietor of the *Goliad Messenger*, and covered a large territory in ministerial work. Change of Conference lines threw him into the territory of the West Texas Conference, of which he was a member for about twenty-five years, cheerfully filling appointments all the way from the hard little mission up to the presiding elder's district. May 1, 1850, he married Miss Amelia Lee Atlee, at Athens, Tenn., who still survives him. To them seven children were born. Brother Cox was a man of fine physical constitution. Up to within the last few years his health seemed perfect, and even after that he has been regarded as a hale old man. But *la grippe*, that insidious disease, attacked him a time or two, sapping the foundations of his strength, involving his heart, "binding the strong man," and "the weary wheels of life stood still at last." But he was ready. In his youth he was not unmindful of his Creator, and in his old age his Creator was not unmindful of him. For more than fifty years he ministered to the people of the grace of the Lord Jesus Christ; nor did he preach an effeminate gospel; it was masculine and masterful throughout. He especially excelled as a doctrinal preacher, and was one of the best theologians of his Conference. He was at once an exponent of the truth and an able defender of the faith. To this work he brought a strong, well-cultivated mind, and was withal a man of well-defined views and positive convictions. But brother Cox's greatest virtue was the singular purity of his life. Hence it was an easy thing for him to enjoy his religion. His brethren will miss his beaming face and hearty ejaculations of praise and thanksgiving. It was hard for him to retire from active work of the ministry; indeed, he did not retire except in so far as the limitations of age and weather compelled. Even as it was, he loved to preach; and upon his sick bed he planned for his old-time work to begin again when health and spring should come. But they never came. Death was quicker than they and heaven nearer, and so he went home.

Ques. 20. Are all the preachers blameless in their life and official administration? Their names were called over, one by one, and their characters examined and passed, except that of J. T. Stanley, whose case was referred to the presiding elder of the Beeville District.

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

San Marcos District.

	White Mem's.	Colored Mem's.	Loc' Pr's.
San Marcos Station.....	446	.....	.....
San Marcos Circuit.....	299	.....	1
Seguin Station.....	254	.....	1
Luling Station.....	329	.....	2
Lockhart Station.....	274	.....	1
Gonzales Station.....	217	.....	1
Lockhart Circuit.....	541	.....	4
Harwood Circuit.....	297	.....	1
Kyle Circuit.....	284	.....	2
Buda Circuit.....	241	.....	2
Dripping Springs Circuit.....	332	.....	2
Belmont Circuit.....	271	.....	2
	3,785	.....	19

San Antonio District.

San Antonio: Travis Park Station..	584	.....	2
West End and Prospect Hill.....	174	.....	2
South Heights and East End.....	59	.....	.....
Sherman Street.....	120	.....	1
Comal Street.....	120	.....	1
Pleasanton Circuit.....	200	.....	.....
Amphion Circuit.....	190	.....	.....
Benton Circuit.....	149	1	3
Pearsall and Cotulla.....	168	.....	1
Uvalde Station.....	129	.....	1
Eagle Pass Station.....	60	.....	.....
Devine Circuit.....	187	.....	1
Hondo and Sabinas Circuit.....	133	.....	1
Utopia Circuit.....	333	.....	2
Del Rio Station.....	90	.....	.....
Batesville Circuit.....	104	.....	.....
San Miguel Circuit.....	130	.....	1
	2,930	1	16

Cuero District.

Cuero Station.....	218	.....	1
Victoria Station.....	177	.....	2
Edna Station.....	377	.....	2
Morales Circuit.....	201	.....	1
Sweet Home Circuit.....	333	.....	2
Hallettsville Circuit.....	381	.....	2
Waelder Circuit.....	236	.....	.....
Nursery Circuit.....	190	.....	2
Leesville Circuit.....	440	.....	2
Clear Creek Circuit.....	198	.....	1
Yoakum Station.....	267	.....	1
Rauncho Circuit.....	360	.....	.....
Port Lavaca Circuit.....	169	1	.....
	3,596	1	16

Llano District.

Llano Station.....	216	4	2
San Saba Station.....	230	.....	.....
Kerrville Station.....	164	.....	2
Center Point Station.....	205	.....	4
Blanco Station.....	277	.....	1
Boerne Station.....	147	.....	1
Bandera and Medina.....	212	.....	2
Willow City Circuit.....	286	.....	4
Round Mountain Circuit.....	220	.....	1
Kingsland Circuit.....	126	.....	3
Rock Springs Circuit.....	59	.....	2
Cherokee Circuit.....	219	.....	3
	2,361	4	25

San Angelo District.

San Angelo Station.....	153	.....	.....
Sherwood Circuit.....	152	.....	.....
Sonora and Ozona Circuit.....	177	.....	1
Sterling City Circuit.....	185	.....	.....
Paint Rock and Menard Circuit.....	146	1	.....
Brady Circuit.....	202	.....	.....
Pontotoc Circuit.....	189	.....	3
Millburn Circuit.....	257	.....	2
Junction City Circuit.....	87	.....	.....
Mason Circuit.....	164	.....	2
	1,706	1	8

Beeville District.

	White Mem'rs.	Colored Mem'rs.	Loc'l Pr's.
Beeville Station	361	.....	3
Goliad Station.....	197	.....	.....
Corpus Christi Station.....	100	.....	.....
Laredo Station.....	74	.....	.....
Alice Circuit.....	123	1	.....
Oakville Circuit.....	262	2	3
Floresville Station.....	290	.....	2
Lavernia Circuit.....	235	.....	1
Wade City Circuit.....	217	.....	.....
Runge Circuit.....	233	.....	1
Karnes City Circuit.....	198	.....	3
Rockport Circuit.....	207	.....	1
Stockdale Circuit.....	350	.....	2
Skidmore Circuit.....	178	.....	1
Helena Circuit.....	233	.....	1
Total	3,308	3	18

Recapitulation.

San Marcos District.....	3,785	.....	19
San Antonio District.....	2,930	1	16
Cuero District.....	3,596	1	16
Llano District.....	2,361	4	25
San Angelo District.....	1,706	1	8
Beeville District.....	3,308	3	18
Total this year	17,686	10	102
Total last year	17,137	6	101
Increase	549	4	1

Ques. 22. How many infants have been baptized during the year? 502.

Ques. 23. How many adults have been baptized during the year? 714.

Ques. 24. What is the number of Epworth Leagues? 83.

Ques. 25. What is the number of Epworth League members? 2,689.

Ques. 26. What is the number of Sunday schools? 167.

Ques. 27. What is the number of Sunday-school teachers? 1,188.

Ques. 28. What is the number of Sunday-school scholars? 9,549.

Ques. 29. What amount is necessary for the superannuated preachers and the widows and orphans of preachers? \$4,500.

Ques. 30. What has been collected on the foregoing account? and how has it been applied? \$3,852. Applied to claimants.

Ques. 31. What has been contributed for Missions? Foreign Missions, \$2,973.82; Domestic Missions, \$3,252.23. Total, \$6,226.05.

Ques. 32. What has been contributed for Church Extension? \$848.10.

Ques. 33. What has been done for the American Bible Society? \$129.85.

Ques. 34. What has been contributed for the support of presiding elders and preachers in charge? Presiding elders, \$4,946.14; preachers in charge, \$41,835.

Ques. 35. What has been contributed for the support of bishops? \$585.11.

Ques. 36. What is the number of societies, and the number and estimated value of church edifices? Societies, 246; church edifices, 147; value, \$227,915.

Ques. 37. What is the number of pastoral charges, and the number and value

of parsonages owned by them? Charges, 79; parsonages, 73; value, \$59,650.

Ques. 38. What is the number and value of district parsonages? Number, 5; value, \$7,500.

Ques. 39. What are the educational statistics? Southwestern University: Officers and teachers, 22; students, 425; value of property, \$85,500. San Antonio Female College: Officers and teachers, 10; students, 93; value of property, \$50,000. Coronal Institute: Officers and teachers, 12; students, 270; value of property, \$35,000.

Ques. 40. Where shall the next session of the Conference be held? Seguin, Tex.

Ques. 41. Where are the preachers stationed this year?

SAN ANTONIO DISTRICT.

J. D. Scott, P. E.

San Antonio: Travis Park, W. E. Boggs.
West End and Prospect Hill, Sterling Fisher.

Sherman Street and South Heights, Z. V. Liles.

Comal and South Flores Streets, W. T. Renfro.

City Missions, B. Harris.

Pleasanton Circuit, C. W. Perkins.

Amphion Circuit, J. E. Buck.

Benton Circuit, V. G. Thomas.

Pearsall Station, J. S. Gillett.

Cotulla Circuit, M. T. Allen.

Uvalde Station, C. W. Godwin.

Eagle Pass Station, A. L. Scarborough.

Devine and Lytle, J. C. Russell.

Moore Circuit, N. B. Thompson.

Hondo and Sabin, J. W. Long.

Utopia Circuit, F. B. Buchanan.

Del Rio Station, F. H. C. Elliott.

San Miguel Circuit, to be supplied by W. A. Biven.

San Antonio Female College, J. E. Harrison, President.

CUERO DISTRICT.

A. C. Biggs, P. E.

Cuero Station, Thomas Gregory.

Victoria Station, W. J. Johnson.

Edna Station, J. A. Biggs.

Edna Circuit, to be supplied.

Morales Circuit, to be supplied.

Sweet Home Circuit, I. S. Napier.

Hallettsville Circuit, J. P. Garrett.

Waelder Circuit, W. A. Bowen.

Nursery Circuit, J. L. Kennedy.

Leesville Circuit, Caspar Williamson.

Clear Creek Circuit, J. C. H. McKnight.

Yoakum Station, H. D. Knickerbocker.

Rancho Circuit, J. W. Sims.

Port Lavaca Circuit, J. C. Wilson.

SAN ANGELO DISTRICT.

J. A. Baker, P. E.

San Angelo Station, B. C. Roach.

Sherwood Circuit, S. J. Drake.

Sonora and Ozona, J. W. Gibbens.
 Sterling City Circuit, C. H. Maloy.
 Paint Rock and Menard, John M. Linn.
 Brady Circuit, J. J. Franks.
 Pontotoc Circuit, J. R. Smelser.
 Millburn Circuit, to be supplied by J. N. Broyls.
 Junction City Circuit, A. J. McCulloch.
 Mason Circuit, Jesse T. King.

LLANO DISTRICT.

I. K. Waller, P. E.

Llano Station, M. A. Black.
 San Saba Station, M. S. Gardner.
 Kerrville Station, C. S. Mills.
 Center Point Station, J. T. H. Miller.
 Blanco Circuit, H. T. Hill.
 Boerne Circuit, W. A. Govett.
 Bandera and Medina City Circuit, J. D. Worrell.
 Willow City Circuit, M. E. Riser.
 Cherokee Circuit, J. M. Shuford.
 Round Mountain Circuit, James A. King.
 Kingsland Mission, to be supplied by M. K. Fred.
 Rock Springs Circuit, Charles F. Annis.

SAN MARCOS DISTRICT.

I. T. Morris, P. E.

San Marcos Station, John W. Stovall.
 San Marcos Circuit, J. T. Graham.
 Seguin Station, Morris Evans.
 Luling Station, J. T. Gillett.
 Lockhart Station, L. C. Mathis.
 Gonzales Station, New Harris.
 Lockhart Circuit, to be supplied.

Harwood Circuit, to be supplied by Hiram Graham.
 Kyle and Pleasant Grove, A. W. Wilson; one to be supplied by J. W. Vest.
 Buda Circuit, W. O. Shugart.
 Dripping Springs Circuit, H. F. Harris.
 Belmont Circuit, R. S. Adair.
 Student at Southwestern University, M. A. Turner.

BEEVILLE DISTRICT.

J. M. Alexander, P. E.

Beeville Station, Theophilus Lee.
 Goliad Station, E. K. Denton.
 Corpus Christi Station, D. O. McAllister.
 Laredo Station, James Hammond.
 Alice Circuit, W. H. Killough.
 Oakville Circuit, to be supplied by B. D. D. Greer.
 Floresville and Karnes City, W. H. H. Biggs.
 Lavernia Circuit, F. L. McGehee.
 Wade City Circuit, F. J. Perrin.
 Runge Circuit, J. F. Webb.
 Rockport Circuit, J. A. Phillips.
 Stockdale Circuit, B. H. Passmore.
 Blanconia Circuit, to be supplied by D. A. Gregg.
 Helena Circuit, M. W. Francis.

Transferred.—W. W. Pinson, to the South Georgia Conference; B. F. McManama, to the Indian Mission Conference; F. S. Onderdonk, to the Central Mexico Mission Conference, and stationed at San Luis Potosi.

GERMAN MISSION CONFERENCE.

• HELD AT BARTLETT, TEX., NOVEMBER 4-7, 1897.

BISHOP DUNCAN, *President*; J. A. G. RABE, *Secretary*.

QUESTION 1. Who are admitted on trial?
 ANSWER. B. C. Ransch. 1.

Ques. 2. Who remain on trial? W. D. Wiemers, J. C. Winkel. 2.

Ques. 3. Who are discontinued? None.

Ques. 4. Who are admitted into full connection? None.

Ques. 5. Who are readmitted? Ferdinand Mumme. 1.

Ques. 6. Who are received by transfer from other Conferences? None.

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

Ques. 8. What traveling preachers are elected deacons? None.

Ques. 9. What traveling preachers are ordained deacons? None.

Ques. 10. What local preachers are elected deacons? J. C. Winkel, B. C. Ransch, W. D. Wiemers. 3.

Ques. 11. What local preachers are ordained deacons? J. C. Winkel, B. C. Ransch, W. D. Wiemers. 3.

Ques. 12. What traveling preachers are elected elders? C. A. Lehmborg. 1.

Ques. 13. What traveling preachers are ordained elders? C. A. Lehmborg. 1.

Ques. 14. What local preachers are elected elders? None.

Ques. 15. What local preachers are ordained elders? None.

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

Ques. 17. Who are supernumerary? None.

Ques. 18. Who are superannuated? J. Prinzing, F. Vordenbaumen, J. A. Schaper, H. Jordan. 3.

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

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

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

Western District.

	Mem- bers.	Loc'l Pr's.
San Antonio Mission.....	25	1
Somerset Mission.....	40	1
Cibolo and Elm Creek Mission.....	72	1
Cuero and Coletto Mission.....	44	1
New Braunfels Mission.....	28	1
Maxwell and West Fork Mission.....	47	1
New Fountain Circuit.....	144	1
Fredericksburg Mission.....	4	1
Llano Circuit.....	217	4
	701	11

Eastern District.

Houston Station.....	163	1
Houston Mission.....	52	1
East Bernard Mission.....	74	1
Bellville and Millheim Mission.....	60	.....
Grassyville Circuit.....	112	2
Industry Mission.....	28	.....
Bartlett Mission.....	35	1
Waldeck and Carmine Mission.....	27	.....
	551	6

Recapitulation.

Western District.....	701	11
Eastern District.....	551	6
Total this year.....	1,252	17
Total last year.....	1,202	19
Increase.....	50	.....
Decrease.....		2

Ques. 22. How many infants have been baptized during the year? 141.

Ques. 23. How many adults have been baptized during the year? 4.

Ques. 24. What is the number of Epworth Leagues? 11.

Ques. 25. What is the number of Epworth League members? 306.

Ques. 26. What is the number of Sunday schools? 31.

Ques. 27. What is the number of Sunday-school teachers? 206.

Ques. 28. What is the number of Sunday-school scholars? 1,153.

Ques. 29. What amount is necessary for the superannuated preachers and the widows and orphans of preachers? \$250.

Ques. 30. What has been collected on the foregoing account? and how has it been applied? \$135.25. Applied to claimants.

Ques. 31. What has been contributed for Missions? Foreign Missions, \$739.43; Domestic Missions, \$786.10. Total, \$1,525.53.

Ques. 32. What has been contributed for Church Extension? \$92.75.

Ques. 33. What has been done for the American Bible Society? \$56.65.

Ques. 34. What has been contributed for the support of presiding elders and preachers in charge? Presiding elders, \$436.05; preachers in charge, \$3,547.95.

Ques. 35. What has been contributed for the support of bishops? \$61.75.

Ques. 36. What is the number of societies, and the number and estimated value of church edifices? Societies, 35; church edifices, 24½; value, \$35,060.

Ques. 37. What is the number of pastoral charges, and the number and value of parsonages owned by them? Charges, 17; parsonages, 15; value, \$11,590.

Ques. 38. What is the number and value of district parsonages? None.

Ques. 39. What are the educational statistics? Southwestern University: Officers and teachers, 22; students, 425; value of property, \$85,500. Collected, \$43.35.

Ques. 40. Where shall the next session of the Conference be held? Houston, Tex.

Ques. 41. Where are the preachers stationed this year?

WESTERN DISTRICT.

J. Kern, P. E.

San Antonio and Somerset, J. A. G. Rabe.

Cibolo and Elm Creek, E. Frenzel.

Cuero and Coletto, William Lieser.

New Braunfels and Hunter, W. D. Wiewers.

Maxwell and York's Creek, J. Merkel.

New Fountain and Tehuacana, D. Schrimpf.

Fredericksburg and Blanco, J. Bader; one to be supplied by B. C. Ransch.

Llano Circuit, E. A. Konken.

EASTERN DISTRICT.

W. A. Knolle, P. E.

Houston Station, A. E. Rector.

Houston Mission, H. W. Weise.

East Bernard, Orchard, and Weimar, J. G. Mueller.

Bellville, Millheim, and Buckhorn, F. Mumme.

Grassyville Circuit, P. H. Hensch.

Industry, New Ulm, and Travis, C. A. Lehmburg.

Bartlett and Taylor, J. C. Winkel.

Waldeck, Round Top, and Indian Mission, to be supplied by G. Gerdes.

Conference Secretary of Education, C. A. Lehmburg.

Visiting Committee Southwestern University, J. A. G. Rabe, C. A. Lehmburg.

INDIAN MISSION CONFERENCE.

HELD AT MUSKOGEE, IND. T., NOVEMBER 10-15, 1897.

BISHOP WILSON, *President*; M. L. BUTLER, *Secretary*.

QUESTION 1. Who are admitted on trial?

ANSWER. M. W. Whelan, J. L. Brown, Paul M. Palmer, Fred H. Fannin, J. P. Atkins, M. K. McElhannon, L. Q. Hargraves, N. L. Linebaugh, John B. Robinson, M. L. Roberts, J. L. Gage, W. B. Moon, William H. Monguer, John H. Stone, J. E. Lovett, J. M. Ray, Charles Q. Ray, Joseph E. Disch, J. B. McCann. 19.

Ques. 2. Who remain on trial? B. J. Hildebrand, James A. Parks, W. H. McKinney, J. W. O'Bryant, J. V. Baird, B. J. Hatsfield. 6.

Ques. 3. Who are discontinued? J. W. Scott, J. N. Thomas. 2.

Ques. 4. Who are admitted into full connection? B. F. Stegall, C. F. Mitchel, T. E. McKinzie, J. L. Yelton, G. W. Sawyer, Z. B. Whitehurst, A. H. Homer, W. H. Averyt. 8.

Ques. 5. Who are readmitted? N. E. Bragg, W. A. Duncan. 2.

Ques. 6. Who are received by transfer from other Conferences? John Williams, I. R. Haun, M. W. Shearer, B. T. McManama. 4.

Ques. 7. Who are the deacons of one year? F. A. Bond, S. L. Pope, T. H. Kinser, T. P. Pipkin, G. F. Ray, G. H. Ray, W. M. Pope, L. L. Thurston, J. O. Bufington, J. H. Bradshaw, A. S. Williams. 11.

Ques. 8. What traveling preachers are elected deacons? B. F. Stegall, C. F. Mitchel, T. E. McKinzie, G. W. Sawyer. 4.

Ques. 9. What traveling preachers are ordained deacons? B. F. Stegall, C. F. Mitchel, G. W. Sawyer. 3.

Ques. 10. What local preachers are elected deacons? M. W. Whelan, Henry B. Hines, E. E. Wallace, J. V. Jackson, A. H. Rogers, J. A. Summerhill, L. Q. Hargraves, W. S. Brightman, J. G. Forrester, Moty Tiger, T. D. Millsaps, J. B. McCann, B. J. Hartsfield. 13.

Ques. 11. What local preachers are ordained deacons? M. W. Whelan, Henry B. Hines, E. E. Wallace, J. V. Jackson, J. A. Summerhill, L. Q. Hargraves, J. G. Forrester, Moty Tiger, T. D. Millsaps, J. B. McCann, B. J. Hartsfield, A. H. Rogers. 12.

Ques. 12. What traveling preachers are elected elders? A. S. J. Haygood, Miles Sturgeon. 2.

Ques. 13. What traveling preachers are ordained elders? A. S. J. Haygood, Miles Sturgeon. 2.

Ques. 14. What local preachers are elected elders? Dougherty D. Mullins. 1.

Ques. 15. What local preachers are ordained elders? Dougherty D. Mullins. 1.

Ques. 16. Who are located this year? I. R. Haun, D. E. Shaffer, at their own request. 2.

Ques. 17. Who are supernumerary? J. F. Wagnon. 1.

Ques. 18. Who are superannuated? J. H. Walker, J. W. Cowart, G. W. Atkins. 3.

Ques. 19. What preachers have died during the past year? W. F. Folsom. 1. (No memoir.)

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

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

Ardmore District.

	White Men's.	Indian Mem's.	Loc'l Pr's.
Ardmore Station.....	325	.....	3
Ardmore and Berwyn.....	146	.....	3
Overbrook Circuit.....	232	.....	2
Marietta and Barneyville.....	146	.....	1
Thackerville and Mahota.....	250	.....	2
Lebanon Circuit.....	174	.....	1
Mannsville Circuit.....	294	.....	.....
Washita Circuit.....	.....	110	1
Williss Circuit.....	.....	.....	.....
Leon Circuit.....	98	.....	.....
Lone Grove Circuit.....	377	9	4
Springer Circuit.....	201	.....	3
Dixie Circuit.....	254	.....	5
Grady Circuit.....	123	.....	3
Linn Circuit.....	255	3	1
Province Circuit.....	151	.....	3
	3,026	122	32

Wynnewood District.

Wynnewood Station.....	191	.....	.....
Davis Circuit.....	9	6	.....
Dougherty Circuit.....	25	9	1
Hickory Circuit.....	207	.....	.....
Brady Circuit.....	112	.....	3
Johnson Circuit.....	253	13	2
Purdy Circuit.....	143	7	1
White Bead Hill Circuit.....	149	16	1
Paola Circuit.....	189	13	2
Purcell Station.....	121	.....	2
Noble and Lexington Circuit.....	356	.....	1
Norman Station.....	227	.....	1
Little River Circuit.....	278	.....	2
Burnett Circuit.....	273	3	4
Iona Circuit.....	63	1	1
	2,913	68	21

Cherokee District.

	White Mem's.	Indian Mem's.	Loc'l Pr's.
Vinita.....	124	63	.....
Afton and Miama.....	82	14	.....
Grove Circuit.....	38	46	.....
Fairland Circuit.....	187	31	3
Chelsea Station.....	37	72	.....
Claremore Station.....	26	34	.....
Nowata Circuit.....	30	10	.....
Ringo Circuit.....	21	7	1
Adair Circuit.....	57	57	2
Choteau Circuit.....	165	85	.....
Salina Circuit.....	132	.....	.....
Cherokee Circuit.....	.....	224	2
Blue Jacket Circuit.....	35	26	.....
Westville Circuit.....	60	41	1
Stillwell Circuit.....	139	130	2
Tahlequah Station.....	23	94	1
Eureka Circuit.....	180	105	2
Total	1,336	1,039	14

Oklahoma District.

Oklahoma City Station.....	99	.....	.....
Guthrie Station.....	33	.....	.....
Arkadia Circuit.....	126	2	1
Perry Station.....	64	.....	1
Pawnee Circuit.....	29	.....	1
Stillwater and Ingalls.....	57	.....	.....
Tecumseh and Shawnee.....	134	.....	.....
Earlboro Circuit.....	142	5	2
Choctaw City Circuit.....	136	.....	.....
Mathewson Circuit.....	91	.....	1
Yonkon Circuit.....	80	.....	2
El Reno Station.....	83	.....	1
Fort Reno.....	60	.....	1
Henessee and Enid.....	115	.....	2
Woodard.....	67	.....	2
Moore.....	151	.....	1
Total	1,467	7	15

Okmulgee District.

Eufaula Station.....	76	30	.....
Checotah Circuit.....	.....	60	2
Checotah Station.....	81	9	1
Okmulgee Circuit.....	52	5	4
Wewoka Circuit.....	.....	.....	.....
Springfield Circuit.....	3	93	7
Seminole Circuit.....	.....	120	4
Tulsa Station.....	25	.....	.....
Choska Circuit.....	45	.....	2
Sapulpa Circuit.....	27	25	1
Keokuk Circuit.....	147	4	4
Catoosa Circuit.....	25	.....	.....
Total	491	346	25

Canadian District.

Muskogee Station.....	376	.....	7
Wagoner Station.....	170	.....	3
Fort Gibson Circuit.....	115	150	2
Canadian Circuit.....	121	100	.....
Webber's Falls.....	82	.....	.....
Salisaw and Skullyville.....	75	1	1
Hanson Circuit.....	94	.....	1
Muldrow Circuit.....	80	45	2
Poteau Circuit.....	235	.....	2
Cameron Circuit.....	229	5	2
Bokoshi Circuit.....	213	18	2
Stigler Circuit.....	83	.....	3
Whitefield Circuit.....	152	4	1
Muskogee Circuit.....	115	108	1
Vian.....	9	10	1
Enterprise.....	159	3	1
Total	2,308	444	29

McAlester District.

South Canadian Circuit.....	102	7	1
McAlester Station.....	63	16	.....
Calvin Circuit.....	260	.....	2
Krebs Circuit.....	45	.....	.....
Kiowa Circuit.....	101	.....	1
South McAlester Station.....	192	3	3
Atoka Station.....	99	.....	2

McAlester District (Continued).

	White Mem's.	Indian Mem's.	Loc'l Pr's.
Lehigh Circuit.....	71	.....	1
Chickasaw Circuit.....	264	342	6
Tishomingo Circuit.....	104	10	2
Caddo Circuit.....	88	.....	.....
Durant Circuit.....	312	.....	4
Colbert Circuit.....	195	21	.....
Cale Circuit.....	133	.....	1
Total	2,079	399	23

Duncan District.

Duncan Station.....	150	.....	2
Ryan and Terrall.....	339	1	3
Comanche.....	163	.....	2
Marlow and Rush Springs.....	134	3	2
Chickasha and Ninnekah.....	86	8	1
Minco and Union.....	76	.....	1
Bailey.....	176	.....	1
Velma.....	.....	.....	.....
Anadarko.....	15	97	.....
Fort Sill.....	5	52	1
Arapahoe.....	206	.....	2
Cheyenne.....	121	.....	.....
Combs.....	211	.....	3
Cloud Chief.....	35	.....	2
Total	1,777	161	20

Choctaw District.

Red Oak Circuit.....	157	1	1
San Bois Circuit.....	.....	106	1
Summerfield Circuit.....	57	.....	.....
Sugar Loaf Circuit.....	.....	190	7
Kiamitia Circuit.....	.....	175	2
Tallihani Circuit.....	78	.....	3
Antlers Circuit.....	122	81	1
Wister Circuit.....	73	.....	3
Boggy Circuit.....	.....	225	2
Blue Springs Circuit.....	.....	191	2
Bokehito Circuit.....	.....	181	1
Clear Creek Circuit.....	.....	196	6
Alikchi Circuit.....	.....	146	5
Kullichito Circuit.....	1	190	5
Sugar Creek Circuit.....	123	41	1
Total	611	1,723	40

Recapitulation.

Ardmore District.....	3,026	122	32
Wynnewood District.....	2,913	63	21
Cherokee District.....	1,336	1,039	14
Oklahoma District.....	1,467	7	15
Okmulgee District.....	491	346	25
Canadian District.....	2,308	444	29
McAlester District.....	2,079	399	23
Duncan District.....	1,777	161	20
Choctaw District.....	611	1,723	40
Total this year.....	15,998	4,309	219
Total last year.....	13,405	4,111	186
Increase.....	598	198	33

Ques. 22. How many infants have been baptized during the year? 925.

Ques. 23. How many adults have been baptized during the year? 1,324.

Ques. 24. What is the number of Epworth Leagues? 46.

Ques. 25. What is the number of Epworth League members? 1,438.

Ques. 26. What is the number of Sunday schools? 40.

Ques. 27. What is the number of Sunday-school teachers? 1,313.

Ques. 28. What is the number of Sunday-school scholars? 10,649.

Ques. 29. What amount is necessary for

the superannuated preachers and the widows and orphans of preachers? \$1,000.

Ques. 30. What has been collected on the foregoing account? and how has it been applied? \$773.30. Applied to claimants.

Ques. 31. What has been contributed for Missions? Foreign Missions, \$2,139.29; Domestic Missions, \$1,749.49. Total, \$3,-888.78.

Ques. 32. What has been contributed for Church Extension? \$454.75.

Ques. 33. What has been done for the American Bible Society? \$43.38.

Ques. 34. What has been contributed for the support of presiding elders and preachers in charge? Presiding elders, \$2,849.32; preachers in charge, \$39,108.50.

Ques. 35. What has been contributed for the support of bishops? \$336.02.

Ques. 36. What is the number of societies, and the number and estimated value of church edifices? Societies, 483; church edifices, 257; value, \$149,548.65.

Ques. 37. What is the number of pastoral charges, and the number and value of parsonages owned by them? Charges, 143; parsonages, 93; value, \$37,686.

Ques. 38. What is the number and value of district parsonages? Number, 4; value, \$4,458.

Ques. 39. What are the educational statistics? Schools and colleges, 4; officers and teachers, 25; students, 735; income, \$12,365. Collected, \$486.25.

Ques. 40. Where shall the next session of the Conference be held? Norman, Oklahoma Territory.

Ques. 41. Where are the preachers stationed this year?

CHEROKEE DISTRICT.

C. M. Coppedge, P. E.

Vinita, M. L. Butler.
 Chelsea, J. E. Vick.
 Afton and Fairland, T. H. Prim.
 Bartlesville, N. E. Bragg.
 Choteau, G. W. Damon.
 Salina, J. M. Russell.
 Cherokee, B. J. Hildebrand.
 Tahlequah, Z. B. Whitehurst; one to be supplied by W. A. Duncan.
 Claremore, O. P. Noble.
 Nowata, W. M. Pope.
 Adair, M. W. Whelan.
 Blue Jacket, G. W. Jamison.
 Grove, J. H. Brown.
 Westville, B. J. Hartsfield.
 Stillwell, M. A. Clark.
 Eureka, J. O. Buffington.
 Superintendent Cherokee Orphan Asylum, J. F. Thompson.
 Student at Willie Halsell College, Orlando Shay.
 Missionary Secretary, M. L. Butler.

CANADIAN DISTRICT.

J. J. Lovett, P. E.

Muskogee Station, E. D. Cameron.
 Wagoner, S. L. Pope.

Fort Gibson, J. H. Mener.
 Webber's Falls, K. S. Enochs.
 Salisaw, Fred H. Fannin.
 Muldrow, B. F. McManama.
 Cameron, P. C. Atkins.
 Poteau, J. M. C. Hamilton.
 Bokoshee, J. B. Blackwell.
 Tamaha, Paul M. Palmer.
 Whitefield, J. M. Hively.
 Enterprise, J. P. Atkins.
 Canadian, to be supplied by S. J. Oslin.
 Muskogee, J. D. Edwards.
 Harrell Institute, W. R. Thornton, President; William Buck, Professor.

OKMULGEE DISTRICT.

J. S. Lamar, P. E.

Haldenville Circuit, A. S. J. Haygood.
 Eufaula, J. A. Parks.
 Checotah, J. W. Lloyd.
 Tulsa Station, J. M. Porter.
 Sapulpa, J. M. Ray.
 Okmulgee, C. Q. Ray.
 Choska, to be supplied by E. M. Leming.
 Etowah, J. V. Baird.
 Arbeka, to be supplied by E. M. Peacock.
 Keokuk Falls, F. A. Bond.
 Springfield, William Jimboy.
 Seminole, to be supplied by Moses Siah.
 Checote, to be supplied by Alec Davis.
 Wewoka, to be supplied by Thomas Little.
 Uchee, to be supplied by N. G. Gregory.

McALESTER DISTRICT.

A. K. Miller, P. E.

McAlester Station, J. C. Fowler.
 South McAlester, T. F. Brewer.
 South Canadian, Frank Naylor.
 Krebs and Hartshorne, J. H. Godfrey.
 Kiana, B. F. Stegall.
 Newburg, to be supplied by D. D. Mullins.
 Atoka, M. L. Linebaugh.
 Lehigh and Coal Gate, L. Q. Hargraves.
 Chickasaw, J. T. Hall; one to be supplied by Gibson Grayson.
 Pontotoc, I. B. Hickman.
 Caddo, J. A. Trickey.
 Durant, H. B. Scruggs.
 Cale, I. M. Carter.
 Yarnaby, J. W. O'Bryant.
 Colbert, Miles Sturgeon.
 Tishamingo, to be supplied by T. R. McKinney.
 Wahpanucka, to be supplied by W. A. Nichols.
 Conference Colporteur, J. F. Wagoner.
 Our Brother in Red, T. F. Brewer, Editor.

CHOCTAW DISTRICT.

L. H. Stuckey, P. E.

Antlers, R. H. Grinstead.
 Kiamitia, to be supplied by E. T. McKinney.
 Bokchito, to be supplied by Sim Folsom.
 Boggy, W. H. McKinney.
 Blue Springs, to be supplied by C. M. Armyby.

Clear Creek, to be supplied by Willis Tobly.
 Kullichito, to be supplied by Bob Kani-mubbie.
 Alikchi, A. S. Williams.
 Tallihani, John McElhannon.
 Summerfield, M. K. McElhannon.
 Sugar Loaf, L. W. Cobb.
 Red Oak, C. F. Mitcnel.
 San Bois, A. H. Homer.

ARDMORE DISTRICT.

C. F. Roberts, P. E.

Ardmore Station, A. J. Worley.
 Ardmore: Carter Avenue, L. L. Thurston.
 Overbrook, J. D. Rodgers.
 Marietta and Burneyville, T. O. Shanks.
 Thackerville and Mahota, G. W. Sawyer.
 Lebanon, J. W. Holland.
 Linn, to be supplied by E. M. Garrett.
 Oakland, J. C. Scivily.
 Washita, to be supplied by L. V. Calvert.
 Province, to be supplied by W. S. Brightman.
 Springer, T. E. McKinzie.
 Lone Grove, W. A. Hutson.
 Elk Circuit, M. L. Roberts.
 Dixie, J. B. Robinson.
 Grady, J. L. Gage.
 Leon, to be supplied by C. A. Clifton.
 Chickasaw Orphan Home, W. S. Derrick, Superintendent.

WYNNEWOOD DISTRICT.

A. C. Pickens, P. E.

Wynnewood Station, P. B. Hicks.
 Wynnewood Circuit, W. B. Moon.
 Norman, J. F. Sherwood.
 Purcell, W. A. Randle.
 Noble and Lexington, J. K. Florence.
 Little River, E. F. Dycus.
 Burnett, to be supplied by J. W. French.
 Paoli, W. P. Pipkin.
 Paul's Valley, J. N. Moon.
 White Bead, to be supplied by C. J. Hall.
 Erin Springs, to be supplied by J. B. Williams.
 Davis, F. E. Shanks.
 Dougherty, W. D. Sauls.
 Hickory, F. M. Sherwood.
 McGee, J. H. Bradshaw; one to be supplied by P. A. Smith.

DUNCAN DISTRICT.

A. N. Averyt, P. E.

Anadarko, M. W. Shearer.
 Arapahoe, P. T. McWhorter.
 Barnett, J. H. Stone.
 Cheyenne, T. H. Kinser.
 Combs, J. A. Rowan.
 Cordell, William H. Monguer.
 Cloud Chief, J. C. Cavener.
 Minco, J. L. Yelton.
 Chickasha, A. B. L. Hunkapiller.
 Marlow, A. M. Belcher.
 Bailey, J. E. Lovett.
 Duncan, W. J. Sims.
 Comanche, F. C. Maberry.
 Ryan, C. W. Myatt.
 Terrall, W. H. Averyt.
 Fort Sill, J. G. Forrester.
 Methvin Institute, J. J. Methvin, President.

OKLAHOMA DISTRICT.

H. J. Brown, P. E.

Oklahoma City Station, J. M. Gross.
 El Reno, A. T. Galloway.
 Guthrie, E. B. Chenoweth.
 Stillwater, Webster Full.
 Tecumseh, F. M. Moore.
 Shawnee, G. F. Ray.
 Enid Station, to be supplied by Reuben A. Crosby.
 Council Grove, W. A. Brewer.
 Pawnee, W. T. Burk.
 Yukon and Mathewson, A. C. Briggs.
 Fort Reno and Union City, M. D. Long.
 Perry, G. H. Ray.
 Edmond and Arcadia, to be supplied by J. W. Jordan.
 Earlboro, H. H. Goode.
 Hennessey, to be supplied by R. W. Cummins.
 Moore Circuit, to be supplied by E. C. Wallace.
 Choctaw City and McLoua, J. E. Disch.
 Woodward, J. B. McCann.
 Butte, to be supplied by W. B. Jennings.
 Stone and Grand, to be supplied.

Transferred.—L. J. Amos, to the Denver Conference; H. A. Storey, to the Northwest Texas Conference; W. F. Hodnett, to the New Mexico Conference; J. L. Keener, to the Arkansas Conference; T. P. Pipkin, to the North Texas Conference; John Williams, to the Little Rock Conference; A. S. Cook, to the Western Conference.

MEMPHIS CONFERENCE.

HELD AT TRENTON, TENN., NOVEMBER 17-22, 1897.

BISHOP GALLOWAY, *President*; A. J. MEADERS, *Secretary*.

QUESTION 1. Who are admitted on trial?
ANSWER. Arch C. Holder, Joseph C. Ca-
son. 2.

Ques. 2. Who remain on trial? John S. Hawkins, James V. Freeman, Richard M. Walker, Reuben C. Douglass, John C. Thogmorton, W. D. Pickins, Cluff A. Warterfield. 7.

Ques. 3. Who are discontinued? Charles B. Warren, at his own request. 1.

Ques. 4. Who are admitted into full connection? George M. Barton, Edwin S. Harris, Benjamin J. Russell, Willard W. Armstrong, John H. Jennings, Robert M. Vaughn, Albert D. Maddox, Thomas F. Maxedon. 8.

Ques. 5. Who are readmitted? None.

Ques. 6. Who are received by transfer from other Conferences? J. W. Olliver, W. F. Acuff, from the St. Louis Conference; E. K. Bransford, from the Northwest Texas Conference; A. B. Jones, from the North Alabama Conference; J. W. Lowrance from the North Mississippi Conference. 5.

Ques. 7. Who are the deacons of one year? Cleanth Brooks, Andrew H. Bez-
zo, Asa F. Stem, William E. Humphreys, Julian J. Thomas. 5.

Ques. 8. What traveling preachers are elected deacons? George M. Barton, Edwin S. Harris, Benjamin J. Russell, Willard W. Armstrong. 4.

Ques. 9. What traveling preachers are ordained deacons? George M. Barton, Edwin S. Harris, Benjamin J. Russell, Willard W. Armstrong. 4.

Ques. 10. What local preachers are elected deacons? Harrison P. Lasley, James V. Freeman, J. Thomas Hood, Benjamin F. Morris. 4.

Ques. 11. What local preachers are ordained deacons? Harrison P. Lasley, James V. Freeman, J. Thomas Hood, Benjamin F. Morris. 4.

Ques. 12. What traveling preachers are elected elders? Briton S. McLemore, Louis D. Hamilton, Thomas S. Stratton, Robert E. Brasfield, William D. Dunn. 5.

Ques. 13. What traveling preachers are ordained elders? Briton S. McLemore, Louis D. Hamilton, Thomas S. Stratton, Robert E. Brasfield, William D. Dunn. 5.

Ques. 14. What local preachers are elected elders? Reuben C. Douglass. 1.

Ques. 15. What local preachers are ordained elders? Reuben C. Douglass. 1.

Ques. 16. Who are located this year?

Charles N. Goulder, Andrew J. Wheeler, Howard W. Key, Samuel H. Williams, at their own request. 4.

Ques. 17. Who are supernumerary? John H. Garrett, R. V. Taylor, Jere Moss, S. Weaver, W. B. Matthews, B. B. Risen-
hoover. 6.

Ques. 18. Who are superannuated? Thomas S. Boswell, J. M. Flatt, John Randle, J. A. Fife, A. N. Sears, Wade H. Frost, B. A. Hays, E. E. Hamilton, W. C. Sellars, J. E. Treadwell, A. L. Pritchett, H. J. Turner, C. A. Haskell, J. T. C. Col-
lins. 14.

Ques. 19. What preachers have died during the past year? Julius H. Cole, James Perry. 2.

JULIUS H. COLE was born May 21, 1856; professed religion and joined the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, in 1877; was licensed to preach October 1, 1881, by the Perryville Circuit Quarterly Conference of the Lewisburg District, Arkansas Conference. Some time after his license he returned to his native state, Tennessee, and settled in the bounds of the Camden Circuit of the Memphis Conference. In 1884 he was recommended by the Quarterly Conference of the Camden Circuit for admission on trial into the traveling connection, and was so admitted by the Memphis Conference at its session held in the city of Memphis, December, 1884. From that Conference session he was appointed to the Lynnville Circuit, which he served so acceptably that he was returned to it the next year. At the Conference session held in Jackson, Tenn., December, 1886, he was admitted into full connection in the Conference, and was ordained deacon by Bishop Duncan. In the fall of 1887 he was sent to Manlyville Circuit, which he served faithfully and acceptably. At the Conference session held in Paris, Tenn., in the fall of 1888, he was ordained elder by Bishop Keener, and returned to Manlyville Circuit. After that he served Crossland Circuit (which was the same circuit—simply the name changed) one year, and then was appointed to Medina Circuit, which he served two years, and entered upon the third year in good spirits; but some time during the winter he was prostrated with *la grippe*, against which he struggled manfully; but the fearful disease developed in him the latent tendency, or hereditary tendency,

or germ of pulmonary consumption, to which he had to succumb after a long and heroic battle, lasting for more than a year. Brother Cole peacefully passed to his reward May 9, 1897, and was buried with Methodistic honors, according to our ritual, in the quiet country cemetery of Zion church—the place of his own choosing for burial. A good and true man, and a faithful minister and colaborer, has fallen. Brother Cole was happily married to Miss Martha Lou Fowler in the days of his early ministry. To them were born six sons, who, with their mother, deeply mourn their loss. While Brother Cole was not what is called a great preacher, and was not by the world nor the Church regarded as a brilliant, flashing star, yet we think it might be truthfully said, and for the truth's sake ought to be said, he was a sound, solid preacher, who preached the truth as he believed it, and as he felt in his own conscious experience its saving power, and realized in his own heart its sweet peace and comfort, its blessed joy and assured consolations. Hence his was a fruitful ministry. No doubt many will rise up in that bright day beyond and call him blessed. Though his ministry was comparatively short, the Church and the communities where he labored and loved will continue to feel the blessing that a true and faithful ministry always brings to the people. As a man he was above reproach, and as a friend could be trusted implicitly. As a husband he was kind, tender, and loving, and as a father devoted and indulgent, but firm when the principles of duty and obedience were involved. May his mantle of faithfulness and love fall upon his boys! Sleep on, brother, but not forever; farewell, brother, but there are no farewell words in heaven.

JAMES PERRY, son of Albert Perry and Susan Buckner Bridges, was born in Smith county, Tenn., October 26, 1819. In the year 1833 the family removed to Madison county, in the Western District of Tennessee, where young Perry grew up. His parents were Baptists, and he himself was a member of that Church for awhile. He was converted when about twenty years of age under the preaching of the Rev. Arthur Davis, a noted Methodist preacher in those days, and at the time in charge of Jackson Circuit. Having been reared under Baptist teaching, he immediately joined that Church, but after more mature reflection he determined to sever his connection with that denomination and join the Methodists. He ever cherished a most fraternal feeling for the Church of his original choice, but was in full accord with the Methodist Church in doctrine and polity. He was not a man of contention or strife. On October 2, 1842,

he was licensed to exhort by the Rev. John Renshaw, preacher in charge of Jackson Circuit; and on September 30, 1843, was licensed to preach by the Quarterly Conference of Jackson Circuit. In November following he was admitted on trial into the Memphis Conference at its session held in Paris, Tenn. In 1846 he was admitted into full connection, and ordained deacon by Bishop Andrew in Memphis, Tenn. In 1848 he was ordained elder by Bishop Paine. His first pastoral charge was Henderson Circuit, named for Henderson county, and this county was the principal territory included in the circuit. The next year, 1844, he was in charge of Pond Creek Circuit. At that time the country was sparsely settled. An itinerant preacher was subject to great labor and expense. Church edifices were poor, and congregations small, except at camp meetings. Meetings were held in private residences, and in such places as could be improvised for the time, and preachers received but small remuneration for their services. He was a pioneer. Brother Perry's early educational advantages were few. The most of his learning was gained by going to school in the winter months after crops were laid by. By this means he obtained a fair knowledge of the English branches, and caught a relish for good reading. Thus equipped he applied himself and became a most useful preacher. In addition to his natural good sense two or three things contributed to his efficiency in the ministry. First, he had a rich and rather mellifluous voice, which is of untold advantage to a public speaker. While he laid no claim to what is commonly called oratory, he spoke readily, distinctly, deliberately, and often with fine effect. During his long ministry of nearly sixty years his voice was never impaired. He was unusually gifted in public prayer. With limited educational advantages, by reading the Bible and a few good books, brother Perry formed an excellent taste in the use of language. Those who heard him were often impressed with the clearness, precision, and frequent beauty of his diction. He was an admirable example for young men. He took pains with his speech. He also spoke with unction. He was a man full of the Holy Ghost and faith. He was wont to disparage his own worth, and few men had greater natural diffidence than he. His regular ministerial duty was often embarrassing to him because of his extreme diffidence; and yet this characteristic was compensated most largely by a most beautiful modesty. He was a meek and humble man. No man more exactly carried out the precept, "Let each esteem other better that themselves." Brother Perry was an acceptable and useful preacher all his days. His chief gift was

to ride and guide a circuit. His last charge was Henderson Station, where he is remembered with great affection. It should be said that this good man's life and ministry were greatly enhanced by the aid and companionship of a godly wife, Mary Kerr, daughter of Bradley Kerr, to whom he was married December 11, 1850. Some twelve or more years ago, at his own request, he was put upon the superannuated list. His health and strength were only a little impaired when he retired from active ministerial work, but he feared that he might possibly, on account of age, embarrass the appointing power or hinder the success of the Church. He seldom preached after his superannuation. He was uniformly present, however, at the meetings at Brownsville where he resided, and his presence and prayers contributed not a little to the cause of religion among the people. As he grew in years he ripened in gentleness and sweetness of temper. When laid low by infirmities and age, he was free from impatience, and he exhibited the fruit of the Spirit in its maturity. His last days were full of rejoicing and hope. He died at his residence in Brownsville, Tenn., July 18, 1897. His last utterances were praises and shoutings before entering upon his reward.

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

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

Memphis District.

	White Mem's.	Colored Mem's.	Loc'l Pr's.
Memphis: First Church.....	1,101		2
Central Church.....	696		2
Hernando Street.....	767		
Pennsylvania Avenue.....	222		
Mississippi Avenue.....	305		1
Safrans Street.....	275		1
Madison Heights and Lenox.....	53		
Springdale Circuit.....	450		1
Bartlett Circuit.....	267		2
Arlington and Gratitude.....	270		2
Longstreet and Stevenson.....	230		
Germantown and Bethlehem.....	216		1
Collierville Station.....	204		1
Macon Circuit.....	299		
La Grange Circuit.....	182		1
Saulsbury Circuit.....	478		2
Williston Circuit.....	311		
Embury Circuit.....	336		1
Millington Circuit.....	377		1
	7,040		18

Brownsville District.

Brownsville Station.....	468		1
Brownsville Circuit.....	614		3
Danceville Circuit.....	487		2
Stanton and Mason.....	108		
Braden Circuit.....	441		
Belmont Circuit.....	404		1
Woodville Circuit.....	586		1
Bell's Station.....	231		
Alamo Circuit.....	701		1
Trenton Station.....	298		

Brownsville District (Continued).

	White Mem's.	Colored Mem's.	Loc'l Pr's.
Trenton Circuit.....	539		4
Dyer Circuit.....	468		1
Bradford Circuit.....	450		1
Humboldt Station.....	335		1
Humboldt Circuit.....	225		
Milan Circuit.....	396		1
	6,851		17

Jackson District.

Jackson: First Church.....	655		1
Hayes Avenue.....	468		1
West Jackson.....	198		
Middle Avenue.....	182		
Jackson Circuit.....	540		1
Denmark Circuit.....	665		2
Whiteville Circuit.....	437		
Somerville Station.....	149		
Bolivar Station.....	109		
Toone Mission.....	286		
Montezuma Circuit.....	589		2
Henderson Station.....	148		2
Pinson Circuit.....	482		1
Claybrook Circuit.....	408	1	1
Medina Circuit.....	540		2
Milan Station.....	214		2
	6,015	1	15

Dyersburg District.

Dyersburg Station.....	448		2
Dyersburg Circuit.....	502		1
Hale's Point Mission.....	171		
Curve Circuit.....	630		2
Ripley Station.....	298		1
Ripley Circuit.....	530		
Henning Circuit.....	390		
Covington Station.....	353		2
Covington Circuit.....	588		1
Mt. Zion and Bethel.....	408		2
Friendship Circuit.....	384		2
Lebanon Circuit.....	715		2
Newbern Station.....	319		2
Newbern Circuit.....	772		2
Trimble Circuit.....	218		
Obion Circuit.....	808		3
Kenton and Rutherford.....	237		1
Randolph Circuit.....	514		2
	8,275		25

Union City District.

Union City Station.....	554		
Union City Circuit.....	758		5
Mt. Zion Circuit.....	686		1
Hickman Station.....	313		
Crystal Mission.....	407		
Tiptonville Circuit.....	405		3
Ridgely Circuit.....	346		
Troy Circuit.....	317		2
McConnell Circuit.....	342		
Fulton Station.....	298		2
Fulton Circuit.....	642		7
Moscow and Cayce.....	297		1
Gardner Circuit.....	455		8
Martin Station.....	340		7
Martin Circuit.....	506		2
Dresden Station.....	143		
Sharon Circuit.....	600		2
Greenfield and Brock's Chapel.....	279		1
Mt. Harmon and Shiloh.....	75		
	7,768		41

Paducah District.

Paducah: Broadway.....	806		2
Southeast Paducah.....	115		
Trimble Street.....	162		
Paducah Circuit.....	304		
Woodville Circuit.....	644		
Milburn Circuit.....	495		4
Bardwell and Wickliffe.....	310		
Columbus Station.....	113		1

Paducah District (Continued).

	White Mem's.	Colored Mem's.	Loc'l Pr's.
Water Valley Circuit.....	474		4
Slater Circuit.....	691		2
Spring Hill Circuit.....	638		1
Clinton Station.....	254		2
Clinton Circuit.....	460		3
Wingo Circuit.....	419		2
Mayfield Station.....	396		3
Pryorsburg Circuit.....	387		2
Farmington Circuit.....	865		4
Oak Level Circuit.....	435		3
Arlington Circuit.....	485		1
	8,453		34

Paris District.

Paris Station.....	334		2
Henry Circuit.....	425		
McKenzie Station.....	244		5
McKenzie Circuit.....	513		1
Atwood Circuit.....	352		
Gleason Circuit.....	236		
Manlyville Circuit.....	570		1
Big Sandy Circuit.....	549		1
Conyersville Circuit.....	311		
Cottage Grove Circuit.....	367		
New Providence Circuit.....	480		5
Springville Circuit.....	443		1
Harris Grove Circuit.....	509		1
Murray Circuit.....	504		2
Crossland Circuit.....	642		1
Benton Circuit.....	306		1
Hico Circuit.....	467		2
Dexter Circuit.....	471		2
Briensburg Circuit.....	340		4
Murray Mission.....	238		1
	8,399		30

Lexington District.

Lexington Station.....	100		
Lexington Circuit.....	445		3
Mifflin Circuit.....	483		1
Huntingdon Station.....	132		2
Hollow Rock Circuit.....	502		1
Camden Circuit.....	542		3
Decaturville and Saltillo.....	291		2
Parsons Circuit.....	504		2
Halladay Circuit.....	723		2
Bethel and Selmer.....	167		1
Crainesville Circuit.....	288		1
Adamsville Circuit.....	680		3
Shiloh Circuit.....	608		2
Chewalla Mission.....	290		1
Scott's Hill Circuit.....	321		3
Bath Springs Circuit.....	396		3
Buena Vista Mission.....	106		2
Sardis Circuit.....	410		4
	6,988		36

Recapitulation.

Memphis District.....	7,040		18
Brownsville District.....	6,851		17
Jackson District.....	6,015	1	15
Dyersburg District.....	8,275		25
Union City District.....	7,763		41
Paducah District.....	8,453		34
Paris District.....	8,399		30
Lexington District.....	6,988		36
Total this year.....	59,784	1	216
Total last year.....	59,484	2	229
Increase.....	300		
Decrease.....		1	13

Ques. 22. How many infants have been baptized during the year? 946.

Ques. 23. How many adults have been baptized during the year? 2,534.

Ques. 24. What is the number of Epworth Leagues? 98.

Ques. 25. What is the number of Epworth League members? 3,417.

Ques. 26. What is the number of Sunday schools? 484.

Ques. 27. What is the number of Sunday-school teachers? 3,751.

Ques. 28. What is the number of Sunday-school scholars? 32,844.

Ques. 29. What amount is necessary for the superannuated preachers and the widows and orphans of preachers? \$4,500.

Ques. 30. What has been collected on the foregoing account? and how has it been applied? \$4,344.06. Applied to claimants.

Ques. 31. What has been contributed for Missions? Foreign Missions, \$8,535.59; Domestic Missions, \$3,117. Total, \$11,652.59.

Ques. 32. What has been contributed for Church Extension? \$2,523.20.

Ques. 33. What has been done for the American Bible Society? \$314.05.

Ques. 34. What has been contributed for the support of presiding elders and preachers in charge? Presiding elders, \$8,552.70; preachers in charge, \$71,060.75.

Ques. 35. What has been contributed for the support of bishops? \$1,574.31.

Ques. 36. What is the number of societies, and the number and estimated value of church edifices? Societies, 527; church edifices, 508; value, \$850,810.60.

Ques. 37. What is the number of pastoral charges, and the number and value of parsonages owned by them? Charges, 146; parsonages, 120; value, \$160,780.75.

Ques. 38. What is the number and value of district parsonages? Number, 4; value, \$7,500.

Ques. 39. What are the educational statistics? Schools and colleges, 7; students, 819; value of property, \$99,000. Contributed, \$886.12.

Ques. 40. Where shall the next session of the Conference be held? Paducah, Ky.

Ques. 41. Where are the preachers stationed this year?

MEMPHIS DISTRICT.

W. C. Johnson, P. E.

- Memphis: First Church, R. D. Smart.
- Central Church, W. F. Hamner.
- Hernando Street, E. B. Ramsey.
- Pennsylvania Avenue, M. F. Leake.
- Mississippi Avenue, W. W. Adams.
- Harris Memorial, G. W. Banks.
- Madison Heights and Lenox, O. H. Duggins.
- Springdale Circuit, G. W. Evans.
- Bartlett Circuit, T. J. Wiggins.
- Arlington and Gratitude, G. T. Peeples.
- Longstreet and Stevenson, A. F. Stem.
- Germantown and Bethlehem, J. D. Sullivan.
- Collierville Station, A. J. Meaders.
- Macon Circuit, B. B. Thomas.

La Grange Circuit, T. G. Pettigrew.
 Middleton Circuit, N. W. Lee.
 Saulsbury and Grand Junction, W. J. Naylor.
 Williston Circuit, T. P. Ramsey.
 Embury Circuit, J. M. Hamil.
 Millington Circuit, W. A. Dungan.
 Professor in Vanderbilt University, J. H. Stevenson.
 Student at McTyeire Institute, E. R. Manley.

BROWNSVILLE DISTRICT.

R. H. Mahon, P. E.

Brownsville Station, T. J. Newell.
 Brownsville Circuit, C. J. Mauldin.
 Dancyville Circuit, W. L. Duckworth; R. V. Taylor, Sup.
 Stanton and Mason, C. D. Hilliard.
 Braden Circuit, B. S. McLemore.
 Belmont Circuit, George M. Barton.
 Woodville Circuit, L. D. Hamilton.
 Bell's Station, J. R. Bell.
 Alamo Circuit, P. A. Fowler.
 Trenton Station, J. W. Blackard.
 Trenton Circuit, S. B. Love; W. B. Matthews, Sup.
 Dyer Circuit, A. S. Taylor.
 Bradford Circuit, Lee Sanders.
 Humboldt Station, H. W. Brooks; J. H. Garrett, Sup.
 Humboldt Mission, J. G. Burks.
 Milan Circuit, M. M. Taylor.
 Student at McFerrin College, W. P. Prichard.

JACKSON DISTRICT.

W. T. Harris, P. E.

Jackson: First Church, G. T. Sullivan.
 Hays Avenue, J. H. Roberts.
 Campbell Street, E. S. Harris.
 Middle Avenue, W. A. Russell.
 Jackson Circuit, J. H. Witt.
 Denmark Circuit, B. F. Peeples.
 Whiteville and Mercer, J. H. Felts.
 Whiteville Circuit, D. L. Hines.
 Somerville Station, P. G. Thogmorton.
 Bolivar Station, D. J. James.
 Toone Mission, to be supplied.
 Montezuma Circuit, W. T. C. Young.
 Henderson Station, J. H. Jennings.
 Pinson Circuit, J. B. Pearson.
 Claybrook Circuit, A. H. Bezzo.
 Medina Circuit, R. W. Newsom.
 Milan Station, W. D. Jenkins.
 President Memphis Conference Female Institute, A. B. Jones.
 President Lane College, T. F. Sanders.

DYERSBURG DISTRICT.

J. H. Evans, P. E.

Dyersburg Station, J. G. Clark.
 Dyersburg Circuit, T. J. Simmons.
 Hale's Point Mission, Isaac Brooks.
 Curve Circuit, J. S. Renshaw.
 Ripley Station, R. M. King.
 Ripley Circuit, D. M. Evans.

Henning Circuit, R. E. Brasfield.
 Covington Station, R. W. Hood.
 Covington Circuit, W. F. Barrier.
 Mt. Zion Circuit, J. M. Maxwell.
 Friendship Circuit, B. L. Harris.
 Maury City Circuit, William Murray.
 Newbern Station, B. F. Blackmon.
 Newbern Circuit, P. H. Fields.
 Trimble Circuit, H. C. Gamble.
 Obion Circuit, R. L. Norman, J. B. New.
 Kenton and Rutherford, E. K. Bransford.
 Randolph Circuit, T. J. Featherston.

UNION CITY DISTRICT.

A. R. Wilson, P. E.

Union City Station, G. H. Martin.
 Union City Circuit, J. B. Knight; S. Weaver, Sup.
 Cayce Circuit, A. C. Moore.
 Hickman Station, W. G. Hefley.
 Crystal Mission, J. E. Jones.
 Ridgeley Circuit, J. V. Freeman.
 Tiptonville Circuit, R. M. Vaughn.
 Troy Circuit, W. W. Armstrong.
 McConnell Circuit, J. W. Oliver; Jere Moss, Sup.
 Fulton Station, J. M. Scott.
 Fulton Circuit, J. A. Mody.
 Moscow and Cayce, E. H. Stewart.
 Gardner Circuit, W. M. Midyett.
 Martin Station, S. E. Jewell.
 Martin Circuit, T. J. McGill.
 Dresden Station, H. C. Johnson.
 Sharon Circuit, G. K. Brooks.
 Greenfield Circuit, J. J. Thomas.

PADUCAH DISTRICT.

W. A. Freeman, P. E.

Paducah: Broadway, H. B. Johnston.
 Trimble Street, J. C. Wilson.
 Southeast Paducah Mission, J. W. Walters.
 Paducah Circuit, A. C. Holder.
 Woodville Circuit, R. E. Humphrey.
 Milburn Circuit, E. B. Graham.
 Bardwell and Wickliffe, J. R. Hardin.
 Columbus Station, L. T. Ward.
 Water Valley Circuit, R. M. Walker.
 Slater Circuit, C. C. Bell.
 Spring Hill Circuit, R. H. Pigue.
 Clinton Station, W. J. Mecoy.
 Clinton Circuit, R. Y. Blackwell.
 Wingo Circuit, J. G. Jones.
 Mayfield Station, W. Mooney.
 Priorsburg Circuit, J. S. Carl.
 Farmington Circuit, T. W. Hardin.
 Oak Level Circuit, J. C. Thogmorton.
 Arlington Circuit, R. L. West.

PARIS DISTRICT.

G. W. Wilson, P. E.

Paris Station, W. Moore.
 Henry Circuit, R. W. Nance.
 McKenzie Station, W. C. Waters.
 McKenzie Circuit, A. D. Maddox.

Atwood Circuit, H. H. Tolley.
 Gleason Circuit, C. Brooks.
 Manleyville Circuit, C. A. Coleman.
 Big Sandy Circuit, B. J. Russell, W. D. Dunn.
 Conyersville Circuit, H. B. Terry.
 Cottage Grove Circuit, N. R. Waters.
 New Providence Circuit, W. A. Diggs; B. B. Risenhoover, Sup.
 Elk Horn Mission, R. P. Witt.
 Sedalia Circuit, R. C. Douglass.
 Murray Circuit, T. P. Clark.
 Crossland Circuit, T. N. Wilkes.
 Benton Circuit, W. Moore, Jr.
 Hico Circuit, A. L. Dallas.
 Dexter Circuit, H. B. Owens.
 Briensburg Circuit, R. S. Harrison.
 Murray Mission, B. T. Fuzzell.

LEXINGTON DISTRICT.

G. B. Baskerville, P. E.

Lexington Station, V. D. Humphreys.
 Lexington Circuit, D. C. Johnson.

Mifflin Circuit, J. M. Pickins.
 Huntingdon Station, C. A. Warterfield.
 Hollow Rock Circuit, J. F. Carl.
 Camden Circuit, T. F. Cason.
 Decaturville and Saltillo, J. L. Weaver.
 Parsons Circuit, J. C. Cason.
 Halladay Circuit, J. W. Joyner.
 Bethel and Selmer, W. E. Humphreys.
 Crainesville Circuit, W. F. Acuff.
 Adamsville Circuit, W. A. Cook.
 Shiloh Circuit, T. S. Stratton.
 Chewalla Mission, T. F. Maxedon.
 Scott's Hill Circuit, W. D. Pickins.
 Buena Vista Mission, T. H. Davis.
 Sardis Circuit, W. T. Elmore.

Transferred.—J. W. Lowrance, to the Western Virginia Conference, and stationed at Parkersburg; B. C. Roach, to the West Texas Conference, and stationed at San Angelo; J. S. Hawkins, to the Little Rock Conference; W. J. Carlton, to the North Georgia Conference.

VIRGINIA CONFERENCE.

HELD AT DANVILLE, VA., NOVEMBER 17-25, 1897.

BISHOP FITZGERALD, *President*; PAUL WHITEHEAD, *Secretary*.

QUESTION 1. Who are admitted on trial?

ANSWER. R. H. Marks, Frank Burrass, Wallace R. Evans, J. C. Harry, William E. Moore, John T. Sewell, John K. Clayton, Joseph D. Langley, J. E. Brooks. 9.

Ques. 2. Who remain on trial? John E. White, Ernest L. Peerman, John C. Granbery, Jr., F. B. McSparran, Jesse B. Lavinder, James E. Oyler, Lewis C. Shearer, Robert C. Garland, Samuel J. Battin. 9.

Ques. 3. Who are discontinued? None.

Ques. 4. Who are admitted into full connection? John D. Hosier, Lloyd T. Williams, Graham H. Lambeth, Charles E. Blankenship, Wilkinson L. Ware, H. F. B. Martin, Patrick H. Clements, Alexander L. Franklin, Eugene J. Potts, George E. B. Smith, Thomas E. Johnson. 11.

Ques. 5. Who are readmitted? None.

Ques. 6. Who are received by transfer from other Conferences? None.

Ques. 7. Who are the deacons of one year? William C. Pace, M. S. Colonna, Jr., John W. Parrish, Dexter W. Reed, W. T. A. Haynes, Gustavus W. Dyer, Robert L. Wingfield, George Wesley Jones, Thomas E. Johnson, Frederick G. Davis. 10.

Ques. 8. What traveling preachers are elected deacons? Charles E. Blankenship, Alexander L. Franklin, Graham H.

Lambeth, Wilkinson L. Ware, Eugene J. Potts. 5.

Ques. 9. What traveling preachers are ordained deacons? Charles E. Blankenship, Alexander L. Franklin, Graham H. Lambeth, Wilkinson L. Ware, Eugene J. Potts. 5.

Ques. 10. What local preachers are elected deacons? John K. Clayton, John Thorndike Sewell, Joseph T. Meadows, John E. White. 4.

Ques. 11. What local preachers are ordained deacons? John K. Clayton, John Thorndike Sewell, Joseph T. Meadows, John E. White. 4.

Ques. 12. What traveling preachers are elected elders? Samuel C. Hatcher, James Sidney Peters, Ernest F. Hall, Frederick W. Proctor, George E. Booker, Jr., Robert S. Baughan, Arthur B. Sharpe, Robert F. Waterfield, William B. Beauchamp, Alfred A. Whitmore, James W. Baker, Luther T. Hitt, Clarke W. Leftwich. 13.

Ques. 13. What traveling preachers are ordained elders? Samuel C. Hatcher, James Sidney Peters, Ernest F. Hall, Frederick W. Proctor, George E. Booker, Jr., Robert S. Baughan, Arthur B. Sharpe, Robert T. Waterfield, William B. Beauchamp, Alfred A. Whitmore, James W.

Baker, Luther T. Hitt, Clarke W. Leftwich. 13.

Ques. 14. What local preachers are elected elders? None.

Ques. 15. What local preachers are ordained elders? None.

Ques. 16. Who are located this year? William W. Southall. 1.

Ques. 17. Who are supernumerary? William H. Camper, Thomas H. Early, Joseph A. Proctor, John Q. Rhodes. 3.

Ques. 18. Who are superannuated? Alex. M. Hall, James A. Riddick, Joseph J. Edwards, R. N. Crooks, John McClelland, W. A. Robinson, Herbert T. Bacon, William A. Crocker, John B. Dey, James R. Waggener, James F. Brannin, Thomas J. Bayton, Edward M. Jordan, David M. Wallace, Jacob Manning, Lemuel S. Reed, John L. Clarke, James E. Gates, John W. Crider, William F. Bain, Henry C. Bowles, Columbus S. Wamsley, John P. Woodward, William A. Laughon. 24.

Ques. 19. What preachers have died during the past year? Jacob H. Proctor, Edward M. Peterson, Charles T. Gibbs, Hezekiah P. Mitchell, Thomas P. Wise. 5.

JACOB HENRY PROCTOR, the first of the members of this Conference to die during the present year, was a native of England, having been born near Holbeach, a village of Lincolnshire, in the year 1834. His father was a farmer, a prominent member of the Wesleyan Methodist Church, and superintendent of the Sunday school in his "Society." His mother dying while he was quite young, brother Proctor was committed to the care of an older sister, who, with her husband, removed to this country. With the consent of his father the lad came along with them. He was then about twelve years of age, and had been religiously trained from his childhood, receiving special benefit, as he himself stated, from instruction in the Sunday school. In the course of that divine providence which "shapes our ends," he came to Virginia, and in 1856 joined Clay Street Church in Richmond, then under the pastoral care of George H. Ray. In the old chapel, where chiefly by the efforts and influence of James M. Taylor this organization, now so strong and fruitful of good works, was founded, a Bible class was taught by Nestor H. Forbes, which must have been remarkable, since out of its membership issued no less than four Methodist preachers—two of them, William G. Starr and Henry E. Johnson; a third named Nicholson, who died in Tennessee; and the fourth, Jacob H. Proctor. Johnson and Proctor joined the Virginia Conference at Elizabeth City, N. C., in November, 1857. At the end of his first year young Proctor was discontinued that he might pursue his studies, which he did at Lancaster Courthouse in a school taught by John

Moody, meanwhile serving as junior preacher on the Lancaster Circuit under the presiding elder. In November, 1859, he was again received on trial at Lynchburg, Va., with the large class of that year, one of whom was destined to become a bishop. His membership continued unbroken till death, though he was compelled by reason of ill health to take a supernumerary relation for several years (1869-71), and later on to be superannuated for three years (1885-88). During the greater part of the thirty-seven years from 1859 to 1896 he performed arduous and faithful labors in the Lord's vineyard, mostly in charges on the south side of James River. In 1866 he was married to Mrs. Virginia Young, a daughter of the Rev. R. B. Foster, a well-known local preacher of our Church in Dinwiddie. There were born to them four children, of whom the two sons are members of this Conference. Thus the mantle of the father has descended upon two of his children, who continue the proclamation of the glad tidings of salvation begun by their father forty years ago, and add the special consolation of like faithful service in that holy calling to those memories of their father's godly life and earnest ministry which lie as a balm upon the bereaved hearts of their mother and sisters. God bless and encourage and richly endow the souls of the preaching sons of our preachers, and may the glorious line of descent never cease among us! Brother Proctor was a good preacher—sound, clear, effective. He was industrious, prudent, and gentle in administration, and his charges were usually prosperous and fruitful. Among the best years of his work were his last, in Bedford and Prospect. His memory will be cherished by hundreds who were indebted to his ministrations for their best spiritual help. Many were converted under his preaching, and the general interests of the Church received his fostering care and patient culture. From the heights of the Blue Ridge to the sands of the low country voices break forth to call him blessed and keep green the memory of him who turned "many to righteousness." He was a quiet man, of natural reserve and few words; rarely spoke of himself or the particulars of his bygone life. By nature high-strung and sensitive, he cultivated a strong self-control, but was confiding and fond of his friends, hospitable and free-hearted. At the last Conference, having during the year suffered a severe and prostrating attack of grippe, the consequences of which well-nigh disabled him, he believed that his effective work was done, and therefore applied for a superannuated relation. After Conference he made his home in Petersburg, rightly conjecturing that his end was nigh. There he received good med-

ical attention and all the relief which the watching and devoted nursing of his family could give. His disease steadily progressed, and on the night of March 21, 1897, near midnight, he was released from the languishing and pains of disease. He had borne his sufferings with complete patience, and through grace triumphed over death, rejoicing "in hope of the glory of God." Among his last words were these: "Patience has had its perfect work." "Jesus Christ is the first and the last. He is everything to me." Speaking of heaven, he said: "I should like to be there, but it is not far off; will be there after a little while, bless the Lord!" Just before he passed away, seeing his wife and children about his bedside, he said, "Let us pray," and presented, by name, each one to God for a special blessing. He has left to his loved ones, to his Church and brethren, the legacy of a good name. His body sleeps in the old cemetery at Petersburg, which contains the mortal part of so many holy men of God of our Conference—where sleep Cowles and Charlton and Kerr and Stanley and Hall and the Petersons. Blessed company in which to share the resurrection of the just!

CHARLES T. GIBBS, the son of Paschal W. and Mildred Gibbs, was born in Bedford county, Va., September 10, 1869, and died in Charles City county, Va., May 30, 1897. He was the child of highly honorable and Christian parents, and was early converted to God, joining Mount Olivet Methodist Episcopal Church, South, Bedford county, Va. At this stage of his religious experience he felt moved by the Holy Spirit to preach the unsearchable riches of Jesus Christ, but he felt that he was not yet prepared for so great a work. He labored hard on the farm and practiced economy that he might accumulate the necessary amount to better prepare him for the great work to which the Holy Spirit had called him. At length, in the year 1890, he obeyed the heavenly call; was licensed by the Quarterly Conference of Middle Bedford Circuit, and began to serve his Master in the capacity of a local preacher. In the meantime he sought better preparation for the ministry. In 1892 he entered Randolph-Macon Academy, Bedford City, Va., and remained there for two sessions. In November, 1894, in the city of Charlottesville, Va., he was received on probation into the Virginia Annual Conference, and was sent to Staunton River Mission. At the Conference which met in the city of Richmond in November, 1895, he was ordained a local deacon by Bishop Galloway, and again sent to take charge of Staunton River Mission. At the close of his probation, in the fall of 1896, he was admitted into full connection with the

Conference, and sent to Charles City Mission. It was here, on May 30, 1897, that the death angel entered his chamber and carried his spirit to the regions beyond. His course was comet-like, brief and brilliant. Had he lived to this session of the Conference, he would have completed his third year in the itinerant ranks. He was a pious, zealous, and promising young preacher. He was a most diligent and faithful pastor and a hard, self-sacrificing worker. In his social intercourse he displayed such tender sympathy and sweetness of spirit as to win the love and admiration of those whom he served. He fought the battle of life bravely, and fell at his post with Faith's victorious flag floating peacefully over him. His funeral service was conducted at the residence of his parents in Bedford county, Va., by the Rev. S. S. Lambeth, D.D., and his remains were interred in the family cemetery, there to await the summons of the resurrection trumpet.

HEZEKIAH PHILIP MITCHELL was born in Essex county, Va., January 1, 1827. His father, Richard H. Mitchell, was a local minister in the Methodist Church in that county. He received as good an education as the county afforded, and well equipped entered Randolph-Macon College, taking a full course and standing well in all his classes, but failing health prevented graduation. After leaving college he continued his intellectual training, including two modern languages not in the curriculum. He taught three years as principal of a large academy, then law engaged his studious attention for two years; but just before entering that profession he heard the "call from on high" to enter the ministry, and was not disobedient to the heavenly calling. His success in the work indicated that he did wisely in obeying, for many stars will adorn his crown in that day when the Lord comes to make up his jewels and reward his faithful servants. His charges were Powhatan Circuit, Prince George Circuit, Culpeper Courthouse, Lexington Circuit; Centenary, Lynchburg, two years; during the war on his farm and pastor of King and Queen Circuit, four years; Middlesex Circuit, two years; Smithfield, four years; Lynn Street, Danville, two years; Central, Portsmouth, two years; Charlottesville, two years; again at Central, Portsmouth; Hampton, Liberty, four years; Cambridge, Md., four years, where he succeeded in raising a great debt that had imperiled the very existence of Southern Methodism in that city; St. James, Richmond, one year; and Culpeper, where in his fourth year he closed his earthly ministry to enter into the eternal rest of heaven. The death of anyone, if the climax of a devoted Christian life, is always illumined with the rays of

the Sun of righteousness, as the highest peaks are the first to catch the rays of the rising sun. Death came to him very suddenly, but the end was peaceful, and without a struggle. The day before (Sunday) he preached twice with great power and fervor; the first at Culpeper, the second a commencement sermon at Gordonsville before the pupils of the Central Female Institute and a large and deeply interested and attentive congregation. This is said to have been a splendid effort, and full of burning eloquence. Returning home Monday, he was cheerful, and seemingly improved in health. He retired early, but during the evening had conversed with his wife about the proposed division of the Conference and other subjects close to his heart. His devoted wife soon after retiring heard him breathing in an unusual manner, and when she called he did not answer; hastily arising and securing a light, she returned to find that his spirit had fled to the abode of the blest. The warrior slept, but arms and armor were by his side. If a man's worth should be measured by his stature, brother Mitchell would have been among the great, for he was of tall and commanding presence, and is said in person closely to have resembled the great warrior, statesman, and president, Andrew Jackson. If measured by the mind, his was of a high order of talent, that had been carefully trained, and well stored with great truths thoroughly assimilated and then made his own. His sermons were carefully and prayerfully prepared, were frequently ornate, and at times he rose to a height of eloquence that captivated his hearers; but the truth was not lost sight of in a mass of flowers of rhetoric or the mere graces of oratory, but more deeply impressed thereby. But the Christian standard is the true one, and he having been happily converted when seventeen years of age, under the ministry of that sainted man of God, Gervas M. Keesee, continued to grow in grace and in the knowledge of our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ. The hours spent in communion with the Lord brought him into such intimate association with him that he was taken up on the mount, where God made glorious revelations to the soul that there lingered in seclusion, while the people and plans of the world were below; but he also took him down into the valley and caused him to pass, not through the fire of Molech, but the refining fire of great affliction, to burn out the dross and leave the purified soul like the refined silver that reflected the image of the purifier, and the gold that bore the mark of the assay of heaven; thence he was heavenly-minded, and all saw that he had been with Jesus, who stood by him in the fire. He was happily married to Miss Bettie B. Edwards, sister of the

Rev. F. M. Edwards, of the Virginia Conference, and their home was blessed with a dear daughter, whose death, as she was blooming into womanhood, tested their faith; and while they were sustained by the grace of God, it left its chastening impress on their souls and drew them closer to God.

EDWARD MARSHALL PETERSON was born in the city of Petersburg, Va., November, 1831. At the age of fifteen he gave his heart to his Saviour, and very soon thereafter received a call from God to preach the gospel. Conscious that he was not quite ready to undertake the work, he entered Randolph-Macon College, where he hoped to obtain needful mental preparation as well as spiritual tuition in view of the ever-increasing demands of the Church upon an evangelical gospel ministry. In a little while a practical difficulty interrupted the plans of the young student. He had been reared in a Christian home, but he was born poor, and the death of his father, not long after he attained his seventeenth year, seemed to extinguish the cherished hope of obtaining a collegiate education. This was an affliction, but it lasted only "a moment." The Lord did not forsake his young servant. Just then, when the way appeared to be hopelessly dark, human friendship brought an offering to Jesus and laid it on the altar of Christian education. With a heart full of gratitude to God, Marshall Peterson returned to college and continued to prosecute his studies with the eagerness of a miner in search of gold until the time came to leave the school room and go out into the great world. Special mention is made of this early trial of faith in the religious life of our departed brother because it was a turning-point in a career which promised great usefulness in the service of God. The vigor of his intellect and the power of his pen in after years, when engaged in the discussion of doctrinal points or plans to advance the moral culture of the Church, give great emphasis to the determination of that brave boy to be a man, that he might carry the burden of a man, and reap the reward of a consecrated man of God at the end of his days on earth. He received license to preach while at college, and continued assiduously to combine his academic work during the week with pulpit practice every Sunday, conscious all the while that the hand of the Lord was leading him along the way. In November, 1852, he was received on trial into the Virginia Conference, during the session of that body in Fredericksburg, and remained until the close of his ministry in this world a faithful Methodist preacher, true to God, true to his Church, and true to the best interests of the people whom he loved so well. His first ap-

pointment in 1852 was to Gosport Station (now Wright Memorial Church). In 1854 he was stationed in Manchester. The pastoral charges which were served by him from that time may be named in the following order: Edenton, 1855-56; Suffolk, 1857; Clay Street Chapel, Richmond, 1858-59; Winchester, 1860; Lexington, 1861; Appomattox, 1862; Suffolk, 1863; High Street, Petersburg, 1864-65; Clay Street, Richmond, 1866-68; Gloucester Circuit, 1869-70; Clay Street, Richmond, 1871-72; High Street, Petersburg, 1873-74; Cumberland Street, Norfolk, 1875-76; presiding elder of the Farmville District, 1876-80; Suffolk, 1880-84; Mathews Circuit, 1884-87; Manchester, 1887-90; Memorial, Lynchburg, 1891-93; Queen Street, Hampton, 1894-95; High Street, Petersburg, 1896. After taking charge of his last field of labor his physical strength rapidly declined under the pressure of bodily affliction, and he notified his people that he could no longer perform the work he was appointed to do. The reply of the official representatives of the church conveyed to him and his family tenderest words of sympathy and love. With that generosity of soul which is characteristic of our great Methodist brotherhood, the membership of High Street Church assured their slowly dying friend and pastor that the work would be provided for, and that no interest of the flock of God should suffer on account of his enforced inability to serve it. With this burden lifted from his heart, he turned his thoughts to the event of his coming translation, and calmly looked for God's messenger to lead him to the heavenly home. Lovingly nursed by his affectionate people and his sorrowing household, he lingered until April 3, 1897, and then quietly fell asleep in Jesus. An analysis of character is not called for in a brief memoir written to serve the purpose of our annual commemorative service. What a sainted servant of God has done during his life is known to the Church, and we involuntarily think of the works that follow a consecrated Christian minister as the more important part of his career on earth. Our absent brother was an earnest worker. Whether engaged in repairing a church edifice, or building a new structure, or visiting the membership, or devising plans for the future, he was never so happy as when fully occupied in keeping the vineyard of the Lord. He never watched the dial to see time fly. It was his chief joy to pick up the moments as diamonds dropped down from heaven, and then shape each one so that even the world might be taught that there is nothing on earth too little or too costly to be used in the service of the Master. There is one distinctive department of our denominational work to which our brother gave his ripest thought

and the full measure of his strength—our revival work. It is unnecessary to ask the customary question, "How many unbelievers were brought into the Church under his ministry?" Those who knew him best will testify that his heart was literally filled with a zeal for souls. Large revivals aided him greatly in building up the kingdom of God. Wherever he was sent, the Saviour mapped out a work for him to do; and his first day in heaven may have been spent in the company of hundreds who entered the "better country" because he led them to the cross of Christ. He knew the meaning of spiritual anointing preparatory to pulpit work, and his noticeable efficiency in rallying the Church around the altar of prayer during a revival season was the result of personal communion with God. He was so intensely conscientious that sometimes his conduct was misunderstood. He sought to know the truth, and always pleaded with God to reveal the right way before taking the first step along what seemed to him to be the path of duty; but when his mind had been cautiously informed, and his judgment convinced that a certain phase of opinion or a selected line of work was right, nothing could dismay or drive him from his convictions. Whether in debate on the Conference floor or engaged in the management of Church enterprise, he was surpassed by none in an exhibition of all-absorbing interest; and his positiveness of statement may sometimes have led those who did not know him to think that his nervous words and earnestness of delivery betokened uncharitable thoughts concealed behind the fervid language of the speaker. This, however, can have no part in the true estimate of the man. He was intensely conscientious. That explains it all. He could not surrender an inch or an atom of what he believed to be right; and he carried that grand conscience with him up to the throne of God. Never did the official record of this Conference contain a name that will be more affectionately treasured in time to come than the name of Marshall Peterson. We all loved him, and the fragrance of his memory will linger long in the hearts of his brethren. As a preacher he held high rank. His sermons evinced careful study. Few deceased clergymen of any denomination have ever left a better record of attention to pulpit work. He collected a vast amount of material, and used it with a single eye to the glory of God. The children loved him well. He frequently preached specially to them. He did not spare his strength; nor did he hold his best gifts in reservation for great occasions. It was his aim always to practice the doctrine of God in the language of Paul when he counseled the Corinthians to be "always abounding in the work of

the Lord, forasmuch as ye know that your labor is not in vain in the Lord." As a writer, he won an enviable reputation. He was a welcome contributor to our Church journals. Many minds have been instructed and many hearts comforted during the past thirty years by those happily expressed communications which came from his ready pen like streams of pure water from a fountain selected by the Divine will to be a benediction to the people of God. He was a valiant defender of the truth as he saw it from the observation-point of distinctive denominational belief. No controversialist could have been more courteous than he; and the knights of the quill, with whom he fought when doctrine met doctrine in bloodless combat, alike testify to the supremacy of his character as a Christian gentleman and an honest student of the meaning of the word of God. Many men, whose success in life has fairly entitled them to words of praise, lose control of personal conduct when borne aloft by the applause of the world. They are either unequal to the mental tension, or they sadly lack indispensable humility of spirit; at any rate, they spoil the value of their work by manifesting the sinful self-complacency of the Chaldean king in the midst of the Babylon he had built. It was not so with our sainted friend. The honors which were justly laid at his feet, because of his loyalty to God, always remained at his feet. They never distempered his brain with a feverish sense of self-importance. In close company with his divine Master he illustrated the self-abasement of a disciple who is willing to be a servant of servants. God only knows how well he served his brethren and the Church. This cannot be questioned, because a portion of every consecrated life is unseen by mortal eye. To his great soul God gave proof of the divine presence for service and not for rapture. No wonder that his loftiest ambition was, not to feast upon the adulation of the multitude, but to work for God until his weary flesh could work no longer. After nearly a half-century of faithful service in the Virginia Conference, our beloved comrade met death like a soldier who has nothing to do but to strike his tent and follow the call of his commander. One day during his last illness he said to one of his children: "Your father will soon be in heaven." At another time he cheered his sorrowing wife with the words: "No one on earth can help me now, but I am trusting all to my God." Just before the spirit left the wornout body, he awoke out of deep sleep and looked up as if in audience with his Father in heaven, and seemed to be thrilled with unearthly joy in view of his immediate departure. It is not strange that such a man should have faced the future with an all-conquering

faith in God. When life reached the death-line, his happy soul found the intervening curtain drawn aside, and in a moment he was at home with God and the sainted dead. Never again will we greet him when the roll is called at our annual gathering on earth; but we may try to serve the same Saviour with his own self-consuming zeal, and after death renew the sweet friendship of other years in that land where God's children meet to part no more.

THOMAS P. WISE passed from time into the eternal state on the 11th day of June, 1897, in Richmond City, Va. He had been a member of the Conference for thirty-four years, save for a single year when he felt obliged to locate. He was, however, promptly readmitted, and with fluctuations of health and consequent changes of relation continued in the work until the year 1892, when he became permanently superannuated. He was born in Northampton county, Va., October 13, 1833. His parents' names were Major and Margaret Wise. In his infancy they removed to Norfolk county, Va., where he was brought up, and where in early youth he became an orphan. His youth and early manhood were thenceforward a trying struggle with adversity. In poverty, without education and without influential friends, he made his painful way in life. But the Spirit of all grace led him to the Lord Jesus at length—to the Consoler of all sorrows, the Reliever of all distresses, the Giver of rest, the Inspirer of all hope. With the conquering power of the new life in his soul, he improved his mental training and furnishing by private study, applied himself with diligence to the understanding of the Holy Scriptures, and soon felt persuaded that he was called of God to the ministry of Christ. The civil war had come on, and things looked dark all over the commonwealth, and in no part of the state darker than in his native tidewater region. But he, nevertheless, entered the itinerancy at the Conference held in Richmond in November, 1863, and during the eventful years that followed labored faithfully, taking hold with renewed hope and fervor in the time which succeeded the restoration of peace. He had then married, choosing as his partner in life Miss Odell, of New Kent county, Va.—a true-hearted and devoted wife, whose study it was, from first to last, to aid him in his work and cheer and brighten the days of depression and discouragement which inevitably come. In the course of his life as a Methodist preacher his lot fell largely in the low country, and his health was seriously impaired; he was several times forced to rest, and, as already said, once to locate. But his heart was in the "loved employ" of preaching. About fourteen or fifteen

years ago he began a renewal of work in suburban charges, being unable to stand the travel required on circuits. He had no ambition to fill conspicuous or lucrative places; was willing to labor in poor and obscure communities. Among the enduring monuments of his fidelity and good judgment at this period is the Denny Street Church in the suburb of Fulton, at Richmond. This was erected during his pastorate of that charge, on a plan projected by him and carried out by his persevering purpose. The building of that house saved our work in that suburb, now so prosperous and hopeful. After he was placed on the superannuated list in 1892, he endeavored for some years to support himself by teaching a school; but after a severe attack of illness, from which he rallied with much difficulty, he began to give signs of permanent decline. Within six months previous to his death his condition of health became a matter of much anxiety to his family. He had fixed his residence within the bounds of the West Richmond District, where he responded to the occasional calls to preach the gospel, and meanwhile attended with such regularity as his health permitted, and with much pleasure, the services held by our ministers within his reach. About the first of June he lost appetite and power of digestion, and was soon prostrated. He had the prescriptions of skillful physicians and the tenderest attentions of his family and friends. Everything was done that seemed possible to stimulate and rouse the flagging powers of life, but he rose no more and sank steadily. The discipline of suffering and affliction, which had borne such fruit that he had himself remarked in our preachers' meeting at one of his last appearances there, "I believe I am growing in grace," now displayed its full effect for good. Patiently and in perfect peace, with full appreciation of all that was done for him, and in full consciousness of his situation, how near he was to eternity, he waited his Saviour's summons, saying in answer to inquiry: "All is clear; there is no dimness even on that pane." "With open face, beholding, as in a glass, the glory of the Lord," he passed serenely the lonely hours while his chariot wheels were dragging more and more heavily. Solicitous for the feelings of his beloved wife and affectionate son, he would not consent that they should remain in his dying chamber to witness his last hours. On Friday, the 10th day of June, 1897, he became unconscious, and at 7 o'clock P.M. entered into rest. His funeral was conducted at Park Place Church on the afternoon of Sunday, June 13, by the pastor, Dr. Potts, assisted by Drs. Brown and Whitehead, who read the burial service at Hollywood. In that beautiful place, where rest the bodies of great preachers

of our denomination to whom he had listened with delight—Smith and Doggett, Lee, Duncan, Edwards, Langhorne and Bennett—his dust is in charge of his Lord, in whose sight "the death of his saints is precious." Brother Wise was a preacher of good abilities, able rightly to divide the word of truth. He was clear in treatment, plain and lucid in style, of a grave and earnest spirit. He held tenaciously all the doctrines of Christianity, and was a genuine Methodist without leaning toward bigotry or sectarian narrowness. He was a sincere lover of all good men. The trials of his latter years, sometimes very lacerating to his feelings, did not turn him from his Saviour or his brethren, but were through prayer and patience sanctified to the elevation of his soul completely above all worries and vexations. The serene height of that blessed frame was most strikingly manifest as he lay weak and helpless, without hope of recovery or thought of anything as to himself, but waiting for his change. In this respect, may our "last end" be indeed "like his"!

Ques. 20. Are all the preachers blameless in their life and official administration? Their names were called over, one by one, and their characters examined and passed, except that of Morton S. Watts, who was tried for immorality, found guilty, and expelled.

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

Richmond District.

	White Mem's.	Colored Mem's.	Loc'l Pr's.
Richmond: Broad Street.....	500	.....	2
Trinity and Chickahominy Mis.....	736	.....	1
Union Station.....	1,097	.....	2
St. James.....	287	1	.....
Denny Street.....	398	.....	.....
Fairmount Avenue.....	320	.....	.....
Manchester: Central.....	490	.....	.....
Fifth Street.....	440	.....	1
West End and Asbury.....	446	.....	2
Henrico.....	328	1	1
Charles City.....	158	1	.....
New Kent.....	261	.....	.....
West New Kent.....	239	2	.....
West Point.....	120	.....	.....
East King and Queen.....	555	.....	.....
Gloucester.....	806	.....	.....
Gloucester Point.....	420	.....	2
Williamsburg.....	154	.....	.....
York.....	956	1	3
Newport News.....	475	.....	.....
	8,985	6	14

West Richmond District.

Richmond: Centenary.....	645	.....	1
Clay Street.....	684	.....	2
Park Place.....	696	.....	1
Laurel Street.....	641	.....	.....
Asbury.....	255	.....	1
Highland Park.....	110	.....	.....
Barton Heights.....	114	.....	.....
Hanover.....	436	.....	1
King William.....	360	.....	.....
Ashland.....	287	.....	1

West Richmond District (Continued).

	White Mem's.	Colored Mem's.	Loc'l Pr's.
Ashland Circuit.....	292	.....	.....
West Hanover.....	598	1	.....
Caroline.....	510	.....	.....
Goochland.....	348	.....	.....
West Goochland and E. Louisa Mis.	523	.....	1
Cartersville.....	282	.....	.....
Chesterfield.....	393	.....	2
West Chesterfield.....	312	.....	.....
South Chesterfield.....	568	.....	2
Powhatan.....	98	.....	.....
	8,098	1	12

Rappahannock District.

	White Mem's.	Colored Mem's.	Loc'l Pr's.
Whitestone.....	435	.....	1
Lancaster.....	429	.....	.....
Heathsville.....	523	.....	2
Bethany.....	323	.....	.....
Richmond Circuit.....	474	.....	.....
Wheaton.....	77	.....	.....
Westmoreland.....	450	1	1
Montross.....	344	.....	.....
King George.....	505	.....	.....
Spottsylvania.....	491	.....	1
Bowling Green.....	453	.....	.....
Essex.....	426	.....	.....
King and Queen.....	348	1	1
Middlesex.....	564	.....	.....
West Mathews.....	529	.....	1
Mathews.....	1,256	3	1
	7,597	5	8

Charlottesville District.

	White Mem's.	Colored Mem's.	Loc'l Pr's.
Charlottesville.....	770	.....	2
Albemarle.....	567	3	.....
Scottsville.....	420	2	.....
Batesville.....	766	1	.....
Nelson.....	484	.....	.....
Rockfish.....	366	.....	.....
Amherst.....	543	1	1
West Amherst.....	631	.....	1
Mt. Pleasant.....	695	.....	2
Milton Mission.....	272	.....	.....
Fluvanna.....	550	2	2
Louisa.....	728	1	2
Gordonsville.....	392	.....	.....
Grange.....	315	.....	2
Greene.....	775	1	.....
Madison.....	929	1	1
Woodville.....	416	.....	.....
Culpeper.....	134	1	.....
Culpeper Circuit.....	548	.....	.....
Rappahannock.....	554	2	3
	10,855	15	16

Lynchburg District.

	White Mem's.	Colored Mem's.	Loc'l Pr's.
Lynchburg: Centenary.....	614	1	2
Court Street.....	694	.....	1
Memorial.....	459	.....	2
Trinity.....	116	.....	.....
South View and Providence.....	134	.....	.....
Cabell Street.....	167	.....	.....
Madison Station.....	320	.....	2
Bedford City.....	285	.....	2
Bedford Circuit.....	572	.....	.....
North Bedford.....	357	.....	.....
Bedford Springs.....	589	.....	.....
Middle Bedford.....	557	.....	2
West Bedford.....	625	.....	1
Staunton River.....	266	.....	.....
West Campbell.....	528	.....	1
Campbell.....	678	.....	.....
Concord.....	339	.....	.....
Appomattox.....	369	.....	2
West Charlotte.....	440	.....	.....
	8,109	1	15

Danville District.

	White Mem's.	Colored Mem's.	Loc'l Pr's.
Danville: Main Street.....	484	.....	1
Floyd Street.....	74	.....	.....
Cabell Street and Sunnyside.....	293	.....	.....

Danville District (Continued).

	White Mem's.	Colored Mem's.	Loc'l Pr's.
Danville: Mt. Vernon.....	345	.....	1
Calvary and Riverside.....	565	.....	2
Pittsylvania.....	545	1	.....
Chatham.....	543	.....	.....
Cascade.....	397	1	.....
North Pittsylvania.....	463	1	3
Franklin.....	530	.....	.....
Middle Franklin.....	220	.....	.....
West Franklin.....	450	.....	2
Henry.....	404	2	.....
Martinsville.....	269	.....	3
Patrick.....	384	3	1
Meadows of Dan.....	317	3	5
South Boston and Honston.....	168	2	.....
Halifax.....	468	.....	.....
East Halifax.....	345	.....	.....
East Franklin.....	870	.....	1
	8,084	13	19

Farmville District.

	White Mem's.	Colored Mem's.	Loc'l Pr's.
Farmville.....	271	.....	.....
Prince Edward.....	365	2	.....
Prospect.....	581	.....	2
Charlotte.....	459	.....	.....
West Buckingham.....	444	1	.....
Buckingham.....	586	.....	.....
Cumberland.....	510	.....	.....
Amelia.....	411	.....	.....
Burkeville.....	351	2	1
Crewe.....	350	.....	1
Blackstone.....	408	.....	.....
Lunenburg.....	538	.....	.....
West Lunenburg.....	229	.....	1
Mecklenburg.....	380	.....	.....
North Mecklenburg.....	777	.....	2
Boydton.....	114	.....	.....
Chase City.....	358	.....	.....
Clarksville.....	250	.....	.....
South of Dan.....	370	.....	.....
Hyco.....	444	.....	1
	8,196	5	8

Petersburg District.

	White Mem's.	Colored Mem's.	Loc'l Pr's.
Petersburg: Washington Street.....	602	.....	2
Market Street.....	432	.....	2
High Street.....	591	.....	1
Wesley.....	272	.....	.....
Blandford.....	137	.....	.....
West Street.....	200	.....	.....
Etrick.....	274	.....	1
Matoaca.....	228	.....	.....
Dinwiddie.....	513	.....	.....
East Dinwiddie.....	510	.....	.....
West Dinwiddie.....	406	1	.....
Nottoway.....	356	1	.....
Prince George.....	423	.....	.....
Wakefield.....	246	.....	.....
Sussex.....	601	1	.....
Greensville.....	324	.....	.....
South Brunswick.....	778	.....	.....
Brunswick.....	731	.....	2
West Brunswick.....	581	.....	.....
Surry.....	275	.....	.....
	8,480	3	8

Portsmouth District.

	White Mem's.	Colored Mem's.	Loc'l Pr's.
Portsmouth: Monumental.....	669	.....	1
Central.....	527	.....	1
Wright Memorial.....	420	.....	.....
Owens Memorial.....	153	.....	1
Park View.....	156	.....	.....
Norfolk Circuit.....	282	.....	.....
Churchland and West Norfolk.....	136	.....	.....
Suffolk.....	448	.....	.....
East Suffolk and Magnolia.....	128	.....	.....
Windsor.....	234	.....	.....
Ebenezer.....	116	.....	.....
Isle of Wight.....	457	.....	.....
Smithfield.....	196	.....	.....
Benn's.....	292	.....	1
Newsom's.....	720	1	.....

Portsmouth District (Continued).

	White Mem's.	Colored Mem's.	Loc'l Pr's.
Southampton.....	524	.....	.....
Boykin's.....	446	.....	.....
Whaleville and Somerton.....	256	.....	.....
Hampton.....	329	.....	.....
West End.....	215	.....	.....
	6,704	1	4

Norfolk District.

Norfolk: Cumberland Street.....	650	.....	2
Epworth.....	745	.....	1
Centenary.....	425	.....	.....
Queen Street.....	601	1	.....
McKendree.....	529	.....	1
Lekies Memorial.....	236	.....	.....
Trinity.....	188	.....	.....
Huntersville.....	65	.....	1
Berkley: Chestnut Street.....	418	.....	.....
Liberty Street.....	122	.....	.....
South Norfolk.....	616	.....	1
East Norfolk.....	160	.....	1
Oaklette and Gilmerton.....	84	.....	.....
Lambert's Point.....	123	.....	.....
Haygood and Lynnhaven.....	121	.....	.....
Princess Anne.....	618	.....	2
South Princess Anne.....	813	.....	1
Fox Hill.....	181	.....	.....
	6,695	1	10

Eastern Shore District.

Cape Charles City.....	79	.....	.....
Franktown.....	419	.....	.....
Capeville.....	423	.....	.....
Belle Haven.....	350	.....	.....
Keller and Wachapreagne.....	556	.....	2
Pungoteague.....	598	.....	2
Onancock.....	450	.....	.....
Accomac Courthouse.....	111	.....	.....
Onley and Locnustville.....	240	.....	.....
Accomac.....	235	.....	.....
Guilford.....	438	.....	.....
Atlantic.....	247	.....	.....
Sykes Island.....	125	.....	.....
Wicomico.....	357	.....	.....
Berlin.....	282	.....	2
Salisbury.....	193	.....	1
Cambridge Station.....	237	.....	1
Cambridge Circuit.....	250	.....	1
Dorchester.....	343	.....	1
Hooper's Island.....	163	.....	.....
	6,023	.....	10

Recapitulation.

Richmond District.....	8,985	6	14
West Richmond District.....	8,098	1	12
Rappahannock District.....	7,597	5	8
Charlottesville District.....	10,855	15	16
Lynchburg District.....	8,109	1	15
Danville District.....	8,084	13	19
Farmville District.....	8,196	5	8
Petersburg District.....	8,480	3	8
Portsmouth District.....	6,704	1	4
Norfolk District.....	6,695	1	10
Eastern Shore District.....	6,023	.....	10
Total this year.....	87,831	51	124
Total last year.....	85,221	87	129
Increase.....	2,610	.....	.....
Decrease.....	.....	36	5

Ques. 22. How many infants have been baptized during the year? 1,163.

Ques. 23. How many adults have been baptized during the year? 3,207.

Ques. 24. What is the number of Epworth Leagues? 176.

Ques. 25. What is the number of Epworth League members? 9,322.

Ques. 26. What is the number of Sunday schools? 801.

Ques. 27. What is the number of Sunday-school teachers? 8,798.

Ques. 28. What is the number of Sunday-school scholars? 62,233.

Ques. 29. What amount is necessary for the superannuated preachers and the widows and orphans of preachers? \$13,000.

Ques. 30. What has been collected on the foregoing account? and how has it been applied? \$11,365.49. Applied to claimants.

Ques. 31. What has been contributed for Missions? Foreign Missions, \$17,149.24; Domestic Missions, \$9,687.03. Total, \$26,836.27.

Ques. 32. What has been contributed for Church Extension? \$3,701.09.

Ques. 33. What has been done for the American Bible Society? \$805.71.

Ques. 34. What has been contributed for the support of presiding elders and preachers in charge? Presiding elders, \$17,173.60; preachers in charge, \$168,750.42.

Ques. 35. What has been contributed for the support of bishops? \$2,809.04.

Ques. 36. What is the number of societies, and the number and estimated value of church edifices? Societies, 746; church edifices, 750; value, \$1,815,398.

Ques. 37. What is the number of pastoral charges, and the number and value of parsonages owned by them? Charges, 213; parsonages, 147; value, \$236,825.

Ques. 38. What is the number and value of district parsonages? Number, 3; value, \$9,000.

Ques. 39. What are the educational statistics? Randolph-Macon College: Officers and teachers, 13; students, 126; value of property, \$115,000; endowment, \$123,500. Randolph-Macon Woman's College: Officers and teachers, 20; students, 173; value of property, \$132,000; endowment, \$102,000. Randolph-Macon Academy, Bedford: Officers and teachers, 7; students, 116; value of property, \$99,600. Randolph-Macon Academy, Front Royal: Officers and teachers, 6; students, 79; value of property, \$105,000. Randolph-Macon Institute: Officers and teachers, —; students, 86; value of property, \$35,000. Suffolk College: Officers and teachers, 10; students, 91; value of property, \$35,000. Southern Female College: Officers and teachers, 12; students, 97; value of property, \$13,000. Central Female Institute: Officers and teachers, 8; students, 85; value of property, \$4,000. Blackstone Female Institute: Officers and teachers, 16; students, 172; value of property, \$30,000. Southern Seminary: Officers and teachers, 7; students, 43; value of property, \$10,500.

Ques. 40. Where shall the next session of the Conference be held? Portsmouth, Va.

Ques. 41. Where are the preachers stationed this year?

RICHMOND DISTRICT.

A. G. Brown, P. E.

Richmond: Broad Street, W. G. Starr.
Trinity and Chickahominy Mission, J. T. Mastin, John T. Sewell.
Union Station, G. C. Vanderslice.
St. James, W. B. Beauchamp.
Denny Street, S. C. Hatcher.
Fairmount Avenue, R. F. Beadles.
Manchester: Central, W. W. Lear.
Fifth Street, G. H. McFaden.
West End Memorial, W. T. Williams;
one to be supplied by Harry Burruss.

Henrico, H. J. Brown.
Charles City, W. E. Moore.
New Kent, E. A. Potts.
West New Kent, A. S. J. Rice.
West Point, W. E. Bullard.
East King and Queen, T. O. Edwards.
Gloucester, J. E. Potts, E. J. Potts.
Gloucester Point, Asa Driscoll.
Williamsburg, J. N. Latham.
York, J. S. Wallace.
Newport News: Washington Avenue and Chestnut Street, B. F. Lipscomb, M. S. Colonna, Jr.
General Superintendent of Colportage, A. G. Brown.
Professor in Emory and Henry College, James H. Moss.

WEST RICHMOND DISTRICT.

Paul Whitehead, P. E.

Richmond: Centenary, W. V. Tudor, E. L. Pell.
Clay Street, E. H. Rawlings.
Park Place, T. N. Potts.
Laurel Street, R. F. Gayle.
Asbury, B. M. Beckham.
Highland Park, C. H. Boggs.
Barton Heights, J. Sidney Peters.
Hanover, R. B. Scott.
King William, Porter Hardy.
Ashland, W. H. Atwill.
Ashland Circuit, R. H. Marks.
West Hanover, S. W. Day.
Caroline, J. G. Lennon.
Goochland, T. E. Johnson.
West Goochland and East Louisa Mission, J. E. McSparran; one to be supplied by W. D. Mower.
Cartersville, W. F. Davis.
Chesterfield, A. C. Berryman.
West Chesterfield, W. H. Riddick.
South Chesterfield, M. L. Williams.
Powhatan, to be supplied by T. Burton.
Student at Vanderbilt University, John C. Granbery, Jr.

RAPPAHANNOCK DISTRICT.

C. E. Watts, P. E.

White Stone, J. W. S. Robins.
Lancaster, B. E. Ledbetter.
Heathsville, C. R. James.
Bethany, J. M. Burton.

Richmond Circuit, S. J. Battin.
Wheaton, E. F. Hall.
Westmoreland, J. D. Forkner.
Montross, F. B. McSparran.
King George, T. J. Wray.
Spottsylvania, C. H. Williams.
Bowling Green, W. F. Hayes.
Essex, W. B. Jett.
King and Queen, R. E. Bentley.
Middlesex, J. M. Anderson.
West Mathews, J. L. Pribble.
Mathews, J. E. Deshazo, Frank Burruss.
Principal Southern Seminary, E. H. Rowe.

CHARLOTTESVILLE DISTRICT.

J. S. Hunter, P. E.

Charlottesville: Belmont and Rose Hill, W. E. Edwards, J. D. Langley.
Albemarle, D. G. C. Butts.
Scottsville, L. T. Hitt.
Batesville, J. W. Carroll.
Nelson, R. W. Watts.
Rockfish, W. L. Ware.
Amherst, A. C. Jordan.
West Amherst, R. T. Clarke.
Mt. Pleasant, D. W. Reed.
Milton Mission, B. F. Smith.
Fluvanna, N. J. Pruden.
Louisa, C. L. Bane; J. Q. Rhodes, Sup.
Gordonsville, C. F. Comer.
Orange, George E. Booker, Jr.; W. H. Camper, Sup.
Greene, W. A. S. Conrad.
Madison, T. G. Pullen.
Woodville, R. G. James.
Culpeper, Ernest Stevens.
Culpeper Circuit, M. A. Davidson.
Rappahannock, Richard Ferguson.
Richmond Christian Advocate, J. J. Lafferty, Editor.
Central Female Institute, J. T. Payne, President.
Conference Missionary Secretary, J. W. Bledsoe.

LYNCHBURG DISTRICT.

O. Littleton, P. E.

Lynchburg: Centenary, W. Asbury Christian.
Court Street, A. Coke Smith; T. H. Early, Sup.
Memorial, J. C. Reed.
Trinity, L. C. Shearer.
South View and Providence, J. K. Clayton.
Cabell Street, G. W. Dyer.
Madison Station, L. J. Phaup.
Bedford City, S. S. Lambeth.
Bedford Circuit, Joseph W. Shackford.
North Bedford, C. W. Leftwich.
Bedford Springs, J. O. Moss.
Middle Bedford, W. A. Tompkins.
West Bedford, J. W. Heckman.
Staunton River, W. C. Pace.
West Campbell, George H. Wiley.
Campbell, George E. Booker.
Concord, J. W. Parrish.

Appomattox, P. M. Bell.
West Charlotte, W. J. Williams.
Randolph-Macon Woman's College, R. M. Saunders, Treasurer.

DANVILLE DISTRICT.

W. P. Wright, P. E.

Danville: Main Street and Floyd Street,
R. N. Sledd, J. C. Harry.
Cabell Street, J. O. Babcock.
Mt. Vernon and Sunnyside, J. T. Bosman.
Calvary and Washington Street, T. J. Taylor, H. W. Dunkly.
Pittsylvania, S. H. Johnson.
Chatham, J. B. Winn.
Cascade, S. R. Drewry.
North Pittsylvania, T. P. Duke.
Franklin, E. E. Harrell.
East Franklin, O. L. Martin.
Middle Franklin Mission, R. C. Garland.
West Franklin, C. E. Blankenship.
Henry, R. L. Wingfield.
Martinsville, H. C. Cheatham.
Patrick, H. F. B. Martin.
Meadows of Dan, J. B. Lavinder; one to be supplied.
South Boston and Houston, F. M. Edwards.
Halifax, M. S. Elliott.
East Halifax, W. T. A. Haynes.
Vanderbilt University, W. F. Tillet, Professor.

FARMVILLE DISTRICT.

J. H. Riddick, P. E.

Farmville, T. McN. Simpson.
Prince Edward, A. L. Franklin.
Prospect, Bascom Dey.
Charlotte, A. B. Sharpe.
West Buckingham, J. E. Oyler.
Buckingham, W. E. Grant.
Cumberland, W. W. Sawyer.
Amelia, E. V. Carson.
Burkeville, J. L. Spencer.
Crewe Station, J. T. Routten.
Blackstone, R. A. Compton.
Lunenburg, John O. Moss.
West Lunenburg, P. H. Clements.
Mecklenburg, B. S. Herrink.
North Mecklenburg, D. J. Traynham.
Boydton, W. E. Thompson.
Chase City, W. W. Royall.
Clarksville, E. P. Parham.
South of Dan, A. L. Carson.
Hycor, R. H. Mullen.
Blackstone Female Institute, James Cannon, Jr., President.

PETERSBURG DISTRICT.

T. H. Campbell, P. E.

Petersburg: Washington Street, George W. Wray.
Market Street, R. T. Wilson.
High Street, E. T. Dadmun.
Wesley, J. W. Stiff.

Petersburg: Blandford, R. E. Barrett.
West Street, W. R. Evans.
Ettrick, R. B. Blankenship.
Matoaca, F. W. Proctor.
Dinwiddie, C. W. Turner.
East Dinwiddie, C. H. Green.
West Dinwiddie, W. P. Jordan.
Nottoway, J. R. Sturgis.
Prince George, J. T. Moore.
Wakefield, W. E. Allen.
Sussex, J. E. R. Riddick.
Greensville, R. H. Younger.
South Brunswick, W. R. Smithey.
Brunswick, C. E. Hobday.
West Brunswick, J. B. De Berry.
Surry, L. L. Banks.
Richmond Christian Advocate, H. M. Hope, Associate Editor.

PORTSMOUTH DISTRICT.

Joseph H. Amiss, P. E.

Portsmouth: Monumental, West Norfolk, and Port Norfolk, L. B. Betty, J. B. Askew.
Central, George H. Ray.
Wright Memorial, W. G. Boggs.
Park View, W. R. Proctor.
Owens Memorial, R. T. Waterfield.
Norfolk Circuit, R. B. Beadles.
Churchland, V. W. Bargamin.
Suffolk, W. T. Green.
East Suffolk and Magnolia, R. S. Baughan.
Windsor, J. A. Thomas.
Ebenezer, D. B. Austin.
Isle of Wight, C. H. McGhee.
Smithfield, J. K. Jolliff.
Benn's, J. H. Kabler.
Newsom's, N. B. Foushee.
Southampton, C. C. Wertenbaker.
Boykin's, M. S. Colonna.
Whaleyville and Somerton, F. G. Davis.
Hampton: First Church, J. T. Whitley.
West End, G. H. Lambeth.

NORFOLK DISTRICT.

J. P. Garland, P. E.

Norfolk: Cumberland Street, H. E. Johnson.
Epworth, W. J. Young.
Queen Street, J. W. Moore.
Centenary, W. H. Edwards.
McKendree, R. H. Bennett.
Lekies Memorial, W. E. Judkins.
Trinity, Lloyd T. Williams.
Huntersville, to be supplied by R. W. Webb.
Berkley: Chestnut Street, R. M. Chandler.
Liberty Street, Paul Bradley.
South Norfolk, C. D. Crawley; J. A. Proctor, Sup.
East Norfolk, J. D. Hank.
Oaklette and Gilmerton, J. W. Baker.
Lambert's Point, G. H. Spooner.
Haygood and Lynnhaven, A. A. Jones.
Princess Anne, G. F. Greene.
South Princess Anne, J. W. Nicholson.

Fox Hill, McDaniel Rucker.
Seamen's Bethel, Joseph B. Merritt, Chaplain.

EASTERN SHORE DISTRICT.

W. C. Vaden, P. E.

Capeville, J. L. Bray.
Cape Charles and Cheriton, George W. Jones, J. E. White.
Franktown, N. H. Robertson.
Belle Haven, A. A. Whitmore.
Keller, J. Carson Watson.
Wachapreague, G. E. B. Smith.

Pungoteague, W. H. Gregory.
Onancock, W. R. Crowder.
Onley, J. R. Griffith.
Accomac, W. G. Bates.
Bloxom, J. R. Gill.
West Accomac, E. F. Garner.
Wicomico, C. H. Galloway.
Salisbury, R. H. Potts.
Berlin, E. L. Peerman.
Cambridge Station, R. M. Maxey.
Cambridge Circuit, C. W. Cain.
Dorchester, J. E. Brooks.
South Dorchester, J. D. Hosier.

NORTHWEST TEXAS CONFERENCE.

HELD AT WEATHERFORD, TEX., NOVEMBER 17-22, 1897.

BISHOP GRANBERY, *President*; JOHN M. BARCUS, *Secretary*.

QUESTION 1. Who are admitted on trial?
ANSWER. James A. Walker, Richmond H. Heizer, George S. Slover, Luther B. Tooley, Benjamin Hardy, Henry L. Munger, Alfred W. Waddill. 7.

Ques. 2. Who remain on trial? W. C. Hollingsworth, W. L. Childress, Robert B. Young, Willis P. Edwards, O. P. Kiker, S. A. Barnes, James A. Ruffner, Rufus B. Evans, William M. Lane, C. Bruce Meador, Wiley D. Johnson, John S. Huckabee, R. F. Byrd. 13.

Ques. 3. Who are discontinued? M. W. Moody. 1.

Ques. 4. Who are admitted into full connection? Marcellus H. Hudson, Samuel J. Rucker, James M. Wynne, Granbery E. Sandel, James L. White, Joseph W. Fort. 6.

Ques. 5. Who are readmitted? Stephen W. Turner. 1.

Ques. 6. Who are received by transfer from other Conferences? H. C. Jolly, from the Arkansas Conference; R. J. Crump, from the Illinois Conference; E. T. Caton, from the West Virginia Conference; C. M. Cooper, from the Denver Conference; H. A. Story, from the Indian Mission Conference. 5.

Ques. 7. Who are the deacons of one year? Charles E. Lindsey, B. F. Jackson, Leonard W. Cain, A. B. Roberts, R. J. Tooley. 5.

Ques. 8. What traveling preachers are elected deacons? Marcellus H. Hudson, James M. Wynne, Joseph W. Fort, Granbery E. Sandel. 4.

Ques. 9. What traveling preachers are ordained deacons? M. H. Hudson, James M. Wynne, Joseph W. Fort, Granbery E. Sandel. 4.

Ques. 10. What local preachers are elected deacons? O. P. Kiker, Lee A. Clark, Henry E. Grimes, Joseph B. McKeown, James T. Hicks, John S. Huckabee, Luther B. Tooley, James M. Maloy, Henry L. Munger, K. M. Turner, S. P. Ulrich, C. B. Meador, W. M. Lane. 13.

Ques. 11. What local preachers are ordained deacons? O. P. Kiker, Lee A. Clark, Henry E. Grimes, Joseph B. McKeown, James T. Hicks, John S. Huckabee, Luther B. Tooley, James M. Maloy, Henry L. Munger, K. M. Turner, S. P. Ulrich, C. B. Meador, W. M. Lane, J. N. Broyles. 14.

Ques. 12. What traveling preachers are elected elders? Jeff D. Hendrickson, James M. Stewart, Ben R. Wagner, Robert A. Walker, John E. Stephens, William N. Curry, C. S. Cameron, L. W. Carlton, R. B. Bonner, J. L. Hollers, T. B. Hilburn. 11.

Ques. 13. What traveling preachers are ordained elders? Jeff D. Hendrickson, James M. Stewart, Ben R. Wagner, Robert A. Wagner, John E. Stephens, William N. Curry, C. S. Cameron, L. W. Carlton, R. B. Bonner, J. L. Hollers, T. B. Hilburn. 11.

Ques. 14. What local preachers are elected elders? None.

Ques. 15. What local preachers are ordained elders? None.

Ques. 16. Who are located this year? W. M. Adams. 1.

Ques. 17. Who are supernumerary? John F. Neal, B. F. Jackson, J. W. Montgomery, B. F. Gassaway. 4.

Ques. 18. Who are superannuated? O. M. Addison, A. Davis, L. F. Collins, H. W. South, John Carpenter, John Powell, J. J. Davis, T. W. Rogers, D. T. Holmes, E. W. Simmons, William Price, Samuel Morris,

E. L. Armstrong, P. W. Gravis, S. S. Scott, G. W. Swofford, James Peeler; F. T. Mitchell, W. L. Harris, W. F. Graves, I. N. Reeves, J. P. Hulse, F. P. Ray, H. M. Glass, Daniel Morgan, E. M. Sweet, R. W. Bellborn, C. Rowland, J. T. L. Annis. 29.

Ques. 19. What preachers have died during the past year? W. R. D. Stockton, M. Yell, Charles D. Jordan, Levi W. Dennis. 4.

WILLIAM R. D. STOCKTON was born in Waynesboro, Tenn., April 26, 1834. His parents removed to Tyler county, Tex., when he was very young. He was converted at Billurn's Creek Camp Ground in October, 1847, and immediately joined the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, on probation. At the end of six months he was received into full connection. He was licensed to exhort April 11, 1857, licensed to preach September 23 of the same year. He was admitted on trial into the traveling connection at Austin, November 24, 1858, Bishop Pierce presiding. He was ordained deacon by Bishop Andrew at San Antonio, December 2, 1860; elder by Bishop Marvin at Seguin, November 11, 1866. He was transferred from the West Texas to the Northwest Texas Conference by Bishop McTyeire in November, 1867. His name has remained on our rolls until now. He had charge of the following works: In 1859, the Hellena Circuit; 1860, Goliad Circuit; 1861, Cibolo Circuit; 1862, Medina Circuit. On this circuit he traveled but one round, when he enlisted as a private soldier in the Confederate army. In a short time he was made chaplain, which position he held by episcopal appointment as well as army orders until the close of the war. In the summer of 1865 he was placed on the Hallettsville Circuit, to which he was reappointed that fall. In 1867 he served the Texarkana Circuit. From the fall of 1867 until the fall of 1869 he served the Belton Circuit, Northwest Texas Conference. In 1872 he was in the Waco Station. From then until the Conference in 1875 he was on the Belton District. He was financial agent for Waco Female College the next year, and was then for one year on East Waco Circuit. In 1878-79 he was on the Alvarado Circuit. Then for three years he served as presiding elder of Comanche District; then on the Fort Worth District. In 1887-88 he filled Weatherford Station, and 1889-90 the Gatesville Station. He then took a superannuated relation, and purchased a home in Belton, where he has since lived. Brother Stockton was married twice. Margaret R. Young, the bride of his youth, the mother of his two lovely daughters (Mamie Henry, now in heaven, and sister Nelms), was married to him in 1856. After more than thirty-six years of itinerant life, she fell on sleep in Belton, April 30, 1894. He was married to Mrs. Aman-

da White in December, 1895. She survives him in sorrow at her home. In the passing of brother Stockton, the Northwest Texas Conference has lost a physically frail and feeble man, who was unable to do more than to love and pray for us. But if love is the greatest thing on earth, and if prayer is the power that man can wield to bring God's blessings down, then who can estimate our loss in the death of this afflicted saint? To those of us who knew him in his prime, when his bow abode in strength, the loss is more than this. We remember the wise and conservative counselor, the painstaking and impartial presiding elder, the genial companion, the hospitable host, the warm-hearted and faithful friend, the fearless and unfaltering man of God. More than all do we recall the princely preacher. He was an ambassador for Christ, and with the dignity imposed upon an earthly vessel by the divine government he evinced his credentials, and by manifestation of the truth commended himself to every man's conscience in the sight of God. The pulpit was the throne of his power. In his first utterances the mind labored and the words came slowly, and some feared he was advancing without a clear conception of his theme; but we who knew him were not uneasy. Presently his form would dilate, the soft and faltering voice would disappear, his tones became distinct, smooth, and steady. His postulates would evince both an intellectual and spiritual grasp of the subject. We would realize that something was to be accomplished that hour by that particular sermon, and that something had been in the mind of the preacher from the beginning. His rebukes blistered, his persuasions moved, his entreaties touched and melted our hearts. We felt that we heard exposition, homily, and exhortation all given authoritatively by a true representative of the court that had sent him as its messenger. His death, though long expected, at last came suddenly. The malignant disease that had tortured him for twenty years touched the brain, and our friend and brother was gone from us. We have no last words. We listened in vain for those messages of love that we knew were in his heart for us. But what need of dying testimony? A consecrated life was completed. In the calling of the roll in heaven he heard his name, and like a true soldier he answered promptly. On the sixth day of April, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and ninety-seven, William R. D. Stockton, the generous friend, the devoted husband and almost ideal father, passed into the heavens. The same hand that was once crucified has restored our fallen hero to the companionship of those "whom he has loved long since, and lost awhile."

CHARLES DAVID JORDAN died at Waxahachie, Tex., December 5, 1896. He was ready and went. We weep, but so it is; such is the anticipated goal of life with us all. Faithful at his post the Master found him. His life began on the 12th of June, 1859, in Florida. He was the son of W. B. and Julia A. Jordan. In his fifteenth year (1874) he was born of God and joined the M. E. Church, South. On the 24th of December, 1878, he was married to Miss Maggie M. Brewton, at McDavid, Fla. In the summer of 1879 he was licensed to preach the gospel, and the following December joined the Alabama Conference, and remained in that Conference ten years, serving the following pastorates: Pollard, Rutledge, Georgiana, Autaugaville, and Evergreen circuits. In the fall of 1889 he transferred to the Northwest Texas Conference, and was stationed at Vernon, where he remained two years; thence to Seymour, East Waco and Tenth Street, and Coleman, one year each; and the last two years were given to Lampasas. During these seventeen years he was faithful in every place. To him and his wife were given nine children, six of whom preceded him to the home above, one in Florida, the others in Texas. He was well acquainted with grief and its wounds were deep, yet he kept the matter close from others except the Lord. His form was comely, tall, graceful, manly; indeed, he was fine-looking, as of highborn thoughts and princely purpose, and of noble mien. Of natural consequence he aspired to be a man in every detail. Of a fine discriminating mind naturally, he gave attention to it by close study along the line of his life work, and gathered and read a large library of the best books. His mental digestion was good, and the manner of his thinking consecutive and orderly. In his preaching he adhered closely to the text, and his style was argumentative, his illustrations ornate and apt. To preach was a great solace to him, a venting of the pent-up soul. Though not unctuous, he loved to preach; he was sympathetic, but not emotional, and manifested more feeling while listening to a sermon than in his own efforts. During the year of his pastorate at East Waco he made profession of entire sanctification. His life afterwards sustained the claim in the estimation of his brethren. It was evident in all his ways. He said only a few months before his death that everything seemed new to him, even his study and his preaching. It changed the character of his texts decidedly. He loved tenderly, tenaciously, and in turn appreciated deeply the love of others. In truth, herein lay the best of the man as a man; here he was found at himself. Everybody could get close to him, and he gave himself to those whom he believed to be his real friends. Coldness wounded him, and to find himself thus

treated he suffered much. Delicate were his sensibilities, as was his sense of right. Disappointments made deep wounds; he desired to go on and up, and applied himself to his books and regarded all his duties in that light. The depth, warmth, and tenderness of his affections, supported by his ideal and hope as a minister of the gospel, made him peculiarly sensitive to afflictions and disappointments. These came upon him, as he thought, severely and bruised him sorely. On returning from Conference he told his wife he would die this year. The last sermon he preached was at Lampasas, on Sunday night after Conference, from Romans i. 1. He laid long and pathetic stress on the word "servant," making a very deep impression on the hearts of the audience. He had just gotten to Coperas Cove, his new appointment, with his family, and before unpacking was stricken to unconsciousness, which continued a few hours until the end came painless and calm; "asleep in Jesus," and the shadows faded forever. "Thanks be unto God who giveth us the victory." His faithful companion sorrows deeply as she finds herself alone with the three children, but all are looking heavenward in full hope of the glory of God. His body rests at Lampasas.

MORDECAI YELL was the father of this Conference, having organized the Springfield District in 1849, when it embraced all of our territory that had been reclaimed from the savage. His face has been so long absent from us that many of this body did not know him, and few are familiar with his history. He was born in Jefferson county, Tenn., August 1, 1809, and grew to manhood in Bedford county of the same state. He was converted at Holt's Camp Ground under the ministry of Joshua Butcher, on the 12th day of September, 1830, being twenty-one years and one month old. He was at once appointed class leader under Wiley Ledbetter, preacher in charge. He was licensed to preach by Thomas Joiner, and admitted on trial into the Tennessee Conference, at Nashville in 1832, Bishop Andrew presiding. He was ordained deacon in 1834 by Bishop Andrew. When the Tennessee Conference was divided, he fell into the Memphis Conference, where he served two years on the Pontotoc and two on the Salem District. In 1844 he was transferred by Bishop Janes to the Texas Conference and appointed presiding elder of Washington District. During that year he was married to Mrs. Louisa M. Eastland, the widow of one of the Wier prisoners who drew a black bean when that brave band was decimated. There were four children of this union, three of whom survive their ascended father. Brother Yell filled important positions, such as

preacher in charge, presiding elder on the Ruttersville, San Antonio, and Springfield districts, representative in the General Conference, until his wife died in 1865. His health gave way that year, and in the fall he took a superannuated relation. When the Northwest Texas Conference was organized in 1866, he was a charter member. He remained a superannuate until 1868, when he took a supernumerary relation. In 1869 he located, but was stationed in Calvert as a supply. He served this charge in that capacity, when he was readmitted into the Annual Conference. While in Calvert he secured for our Church the two lots where our church and parsonage now stand. In the fall of 1871 he was appointed to the Groesbeck Circuit. In 1872-73 he was on the supernumerary list. In 1874 he was on the Thornton Mission, and in 1875 he was again placed on the roll of honor. He retired to his farm near Groesbeck, and remained there until 1883. He then moved to Hayes county, where he died, January 30, 1897. Brother Yell was a man of powerful frame and great physical and moral courage. All who saw him felt his influence; all who knew him well revered and honored him. In his palmy days he was an able, faithful, fearless preacher of the gospel, a sound expositor, and an earnest exhorter. Four states—Tennessee, Alabama, Mississippi, and Texas—are reaping the fruit of his labors. A pioneer by nature, by choice, and through grace, he kept pace with the ax and the rifle. Where these two were seen, his saddlebags were not far away. With the Bible, hymn book, and Discipline he softened the hardships of the wilderness, and unnumbered men, women, and children have been cheered by his spiritual counsels and conducted heavenward by his leadership. He was a good citizen, a devoted husband, an affectionate father, and a loyal man. During the Christmas holidays last winter he visited his son. While on this trip he contracted a cold, which resulted in pneumonia, from which he died. His end was glorious. The room where he lay was redolent with heavenly visitations and influences. Angels hovered round that conquering hero. He shouted victory, and left the sorrows and mourners of earth for the music and companionship of the redeemed and the blood-washed in heaven. The pioneer, the hero, the sage, the soldier has fallen upon his shield, and we bury him with the honors of war.

LEVI WILLIAM DENNIS, third child of A. J. and S. A. Dennis, was born February 29, 1864, near Webb's Chapel, near Farmer's Branch, in Dallas county, Tex. He was "born again" at the age of fifteen in the Webb Chapel church, and at once joined the Methodist Episcopal Church, South. He was married to Miss Nannie Roberts,

near Farmer's Branch, May 10, 1882. He was licensed to preach in August, 1892, and joined the Conference at Fort Worth, November, 1893. His first work was Iatan Mission; second, Roby Mission; third, Silverton Circuit, and was appointed student at the Polytechnic College by Bishop Keener, at Waxahachie, in November, 1896. He was taken sick with typhoid fever August 3, and died September 25, 1897. He was buried September 26, at Webb's Chapel. This is a brief story of a good man. Brother Dennis was certainly consecrated to the work of the ministry. He had not been blessed with a good education, but he had a burning zeal for the salvation of souls, and was wonderfully blessed by the Lord in bringing souls to Christ. Realizing his need for better equipment, he secured the appointment to the Polytechnic College. He was here for business and studied hard, and we could see improvement in him in every way. Brother Dennis was full of faith in the Lord, and was happy all the time; "had a good case of religion and lots of common sense." He was perfectly consecrated to his Lord and the Church. His death was quite unexpected to us. He knew his end was near, and said concerning all, "Thy will be done." His father and mother, one brother, wife, and many friends stood by his bed and saw him pass to his reward without a struggle—indeed, as quietly and peacefully and sweetly as any babe ever went to sleep. He leaves a wife and one child. The Lord's blessings graciously rest upon them!

Ques. 20. Are all the preachers blameless in their life and official administration? Their names were called over, one by one, and their characters examined and passed, except that of Walter Spence, who was expelled for heresy.

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

Georgetown District.

	Mem- bers.	Loc'l Pr's.
Georgetown.....	698	26
Belton.....	496	1
Temple.....	475	.....
Taylor.....	368	.....
Round Rock.....	508	1
Bartlett.....	488	2
Salado.....	578	1
Moffatt.....	612	1
Burnett.....	373	3
Liberty.....	358	3
Rogers.....	579	3
South Temple.....	248	.....
Granger.....	352	1
Florence.....	325	2
Bertram.....	300	1
Little River.....	270	.....
	6,918	48

Abilene District.

	Mem- bers.	Loc'l Pr's.
Abilene.....	376	1
Baird and Putman.....	265	1
Cisco.....	210	4
Colorado.....	187	1
Big Springs.....	142	.....
Midland.....	158	.....
Anson.....	233	2
Eastland.....	318	.....
Albany.....	186	.....
Merkel.....	336	3
Cottonwood.....	451	2
Buffalo Gap.....	524	3
Sweetwater.....	91	2
Truby.....	237	.....
Roby.....	291	1
Snyder.....	370	1
Moran Mission.....	215	2
Colorado Mission.....	131	.....
	4,671	23

Dublin District.

Green Creek.....	482	8
Granbury.....	333	2
Dublin.....	323	2
Carlton.....	450	2
Rising Star and Pisgah.....	466	5
Bluff Dale.....	440	2
Stephensville.....	448	3
Glenrose.....	350	.....
Hico.....	472	3
Iredell and Walnut.....	354	1
Duffau.....	487	2
De Leon.....	190	1
Gorman.....	246	1
Morgan's Mill.....	364	3
Sipe Springs.....	443	4
Proctor.....	300	4
Destimonia.....	315	1
Carbon.....	268	2
	6,742	46

Fort Worth District.

Covington.....	354	1
Fort Worth: First Church.....	537	3
Mulkey Memorial.....	393	1
Missouri Avenue.....	273	.....
Riverside and Fossil.....	56	.....
Glenwood.....	104	.....
Azle.....	127	.....
Peach Street.....	144	1
Grapevine.....	484	4
Smithfield.....	323	1
Arlington Station.....	220	.....
Arlington Circuit.....	469	2
Mansfield and Gardner.....	555	4
Marystown.....	527	2
Cleburne Station.....	741	4
Cleburne Circuit.....	697	2
Polytechnic.....	234	9
Cresson.....	359	1
Blum.....	233	2
	6,810	37

Waco District.

Waco: Fifth Street.....	727	2
Morrow Street.....	312	.....
East Waco.....	171	1
Lorena.....	575	.....
Bruceville.....	465	2
Moody.....	448	1
Troy.....	436	3
West.....	325	.....
Abbott.....	477	4
Peoria.....	470	4
Bosqueville.....	495	4
Mt. Calm.....	579	2
Mart.....	445	2
Aquilla.....	220	3
Whitney.....	155	1
Morgan.....	359	.....
	6,659	29

Clarendon District.

	Mem- bers.	Loc'l Pr's.
Clarendon Station.....	192	1
Clarendon Circuit.....	182	.....
Memphis Circuit.....	260	3
Wellington Mission.....	21	.....
Kirkland Mission.....	137	.....
Claude Mission.....	195	.....
Amarillo.....	224	1
Channing Mission.....	205	1
Canadian and Mobeetie.....	240	1
Higgins Mission.....	125	4
Silverton and Tulia.....	90	.....
Plainview.....	53	.....
Floyd Mission.....	114	2
	2,038	13

Waxahachie District.

Waxahachie.....	640	.....
Hillsboro.....	544	2
Ennis.....	495	3
Midlothian.....	325	3
Italy.....	265	1
Alvarado.....	180	3
Itaska.....	225	.....
Grandview.....	624	2
Sims and Glenwood.....	395	3
Reagor.....	326	4
Red Oak.....	518	1
Ferris.....	530	3
Venus.....	786	1
Osceola.....	348	1
Bristol.....	478	1
Avelon.....	341	3
Milford.....	361	.....
	7,381	31

Gatesville District.

Gatesville Station.....	343	1
Gatesville Circuit.....	253	.....
Oglesby.....	350	2
Cranford and McGregor.....	376	1
Valley Mills.....	527	2
Meridian.....	322	4
Coryell City.....	550	2
Harmony.....	494	3
Jonesboro.....	506	6
Hamilton.....	307	.....
Evant.....	190	1
Bee House.....	325	2
Brookhaven.....	252	1
Killeen and Nolanville.....	343	1
Coperas Cove.....	436	3
Lampasas Station.....	202	1
Lampasas Circuit.....	282	3
	6,132	33

Corsicana District.

Corsicana Station.....	825	2
Mexia.....	300	.....
Groesbeck.....	144	1
Blooming Grove.....	576	2
Dawson.....	540	3
Kerens.....	421	4
Frost and Salem.....	372	2
Hubbard City.....	454	1
Rice and Chatfield.....	288	1
Brandon.....	494	2
Wortham.....	384	2
Corsicana Circuit.....	365	1
Armour.....	304	.....
Cotton Gin.....	379	1
Thornton.....	421	3
Barry.....	358	1
Horn Hill.....	233	1
Powell Mission.....	225	3
Richland Mission.....	190	2
	7,298	32

Vernon District.

Vernon.....	337	1
Quanah and Childress.....	290	1
Seymour.....	225	.....

Vernon District (Continued).

	Mem- bers.	Loc'l Pr's.
Graham.....	323	.....
Haskell.....	317	.....
Chillicothe.....	245	1
Farmer.....	317	4
Crowell.....	278	2
Throckmorton.....	267	1
Benjamin.....	204	2
Altus.....	326	2
Edwards.....	234	3
Mangum.....	163	.....
Harrod.....	193	2
	3,719	19

Brownwood District.

Blanket.....	311	2
Brownwood.....	488	3
Bangs.....	297	2
Ballinger.....	148	3
Coleman.....	185	1
Comanche Station.....	255	.....
Comanche Circuit.....	341	1
Decker.....	180	6
Heming.....	165	1
Glen Cove.....	272	3
Goldthwaite Station.....	181	1
Goldthwaite Circuit.....	148	2
Indian Creek.....	276	.....
Lometa.....	295	1
May.....	295	2
Robert Lec.....	214	1
Santa Anna.....	298	2
	4,349	31

Weatherford District.

Weatherford: First Church.....	695	2
Counts Memorial.....	218	2
Aledo.....	302	1
Springtown.....	377	.....
Weatherford Mission.....	274	2
Peaster.....	444	2
Whitt.....	341	2
Mineral Wells.....	302	4
Millsap.....	335	3
Lipan.....	229	1
Santo.....	163	.....
Gordon and Strawn.....	313	2
Huckabay.....	277	2
Ranger.....	149	1
Eliasville.....	251	1
Breckenridge.....	452	4
Thurber Mission.....	134	1
	5,256	30

Recapitulation.

Georgetown District.....	6,918	48
Abilene District.....	4,671	23
Dublin District.....	6,742	46
Fort Worth District.....	6,810	37
Waco District.....	6,659	29
Clarendon District.....	2,028	13
Waxahachie District.....	7,381	31
Gatesville District.....	6,132	33
Corsicana District.....	7,298	32
Vernon District.....	3,719	19
Brownwood District.....	4,349	31
Weatherford District.....	5,256	30
Total this year.....	67,973	372
Total last year.....	66,803	399
Increase.....	1,170	.....
Decrease.....		27

Ques. 22. How many infants have been baptized during the year? 1,768.

Ques. 23. How many adults have been baptized during the year? 3,321.

Ques. 24. What is the number of Epworth Leagues? 230.

Ques. 25. What is the number of Epworth League members? 8,505.

Ques. 26. What is the number of Sunday schools? 545.

Ques. 27. What is the number of Sunday-school teachers? 4,002.

Ques. 28. What is the number of Sunday-school scholars? 33,270.

Ques. 29. What amount is necessary for the superannuated preachers and the widows and orphans of preachers? \$8,000.

Ques. 30. What has been collected on the foregoing account? and how has it been applied? \$6,452. Applied to claimants.

Ques. 31. What has been contributed for Missions? Foreign Missions, \$8,717.44; Domestic Missions, \$8,396.46. Total, \$17,113.90.

Ques. 32. What has been contributed for Church Extension? \$3,001.68.

Ques. 33. What has been done for the American Bible Society? \$445.30.

Ques. 34. What has been contributed for the support of presiding elders and preachers in charge? Presiding elders, \$15,365; preachers in charge, \$105,416.15.

Ques. 35. What has been contributed for the support of bishops? \$2,045.42.

Ques. 36. What is the number of societies, and the number and estimated value of church edifices? Societies, 747; church edifices, 333; value, \$702,077.

Ques. 37. What is the number of pastoral charges, and the number and value of parsonages owned by them? Charges, 206; parsonages, 184; value, \$153,164.

Ques. 38. What is the number and value of district parsonages? Number, 10; value, \$17,800.

Ques. 39. What are the educational statistics? Southwestern University: Officers and teachers, 18; students, 425; value of property, \$100,000; Polytechnic College: Officers and teachers, 15; students, 299; value of property, \$25,000. Weatherford College: Officers and teachers, 12; students, 242; value of property, \$25,000. Granbery College: Officers and teachers, 6; students, 150; value of property, \$15,000.

Ques. 40. Where shall the next session of the Conference be held? Brownwood, Texas.

Ques. 41. Where are the preachers stationed this year?

GEORGETOWN DISTRICT.

S. P. Wright, P. E.

Georgetown, J. G. Putman; J. F. Neal, Sup.

Taylor, T. J. Duncan.

Benton, M. K. Little.

Temple: First Church, J. M. Barcus.

South Temple Mission, J. M. Armstrong.

Burnett and Marble Falls, W. M. Hayes.

Liberty Hill and Leander, W. J. Lemons.

Round Rock, J. T. Griswold.

Granger, N. A. Keen.
 Bartlett and Holland, J. W. Story.
 Rodgers, G. W. Harris.
 Moffat, S. C. Vaughan.
 Salado and Corn Hill, S. J. Rucker.
 Florence, S. B. Sawyers.
 Bertram and Mt. Horeb, J. Haralson.

ABILENE DISTRICT.

J. S. Chapman, P. E.

Abilene, H. A. Boaz.
 Taylor County Mission, H. C. Jolly.
 Buffalo Gap Circuit, J. B. Elder.
 Truby Mission, I. L. Mills.
 Anson Circuit, J. A. Hyder.
 Baird, C. W. Irvin.
 Putnam, R. Heizer.
 Cottonwood Circuit, C. W. Young.
 Cisco, S. W. Turner.
 Eastland Circuit, R. S. Heizer.
 Albany and Moran, W. P. Garvin.
 Merkel and Sweetwater, E. Hightower.
 Roby Mission, J. H. Trimble.
 Rayner Mission, R. F. Byrd.
 Colorado Mission, W. D. Johnston.
 Colorado Station, J. A. Whitehurst.
 Snyder Circuit, W. H. Harris.
 Big Springs, N. B. Bennett.
 Midland, W. H. Moss.

DUBLIN DISTRICT.

E. A. Smith, P. E.

Dublin Station, W. H. Matthews.
 Green Creek Circuit, A. B. Roberts.
 Stephenville Circuit, A. E. Carraway.
 Morgan Mill Mission, M. H. Hudson.
 Bluff Dale Circuit, J. W. Fort.
 Granbury, J. W. Adkisson.
 Glen Rose Circuit, G. S. Slover.
 Iredell and Walnut, J. R. B. Hall.
 Duffau Circuit, J. H. Watts.
 Hico Circuit, R. B. Bonner.
 Carlton Circuit, M. M. Smith.
 Proctor Mission, J. M. Baker.
 De Leon Station, J. E. Walker.
 Gorman Mission, to be supplied by J. C. Moore.
 Sipe Springs Circuit, C. H. Smith.
 Rising Star and Pisgah, C. D. West.
 Carbon Mission, E. J. Maxwell.
 Desdmonia, H. K. Agee.

FORT WORTH DISTRICT.

G. S. Wyatt, P. E.

Fort Worth: First Church, E. D. Mouzon.
 Missouri Avenue, J. S. Barcus.
 Mulkey Memorial, J. R. Morris.
 Peach Street Mission, E. T. Caton.
 Polytechnic College, J. G. Miller.
 City Mission, I. Z. T. Morris.
 Glenwood, S. A. Barnes.
 Trinity Mission, to be supplied by S. Richardson.
 Azle Circuit, H. P. Shrader.
 Smithfield Circuit, J. C. Carter.
 Grapevine Circuit, W. N. Curry.

Cresson Circuit, L. W. Carlton.
 Arlington Station, E. V. Cox.
 Arlington Circuit, J. A. Walkup.
 Mansfield Circuit, L. W. Cain.
 Marystown Circuit, M. H. Major, W. C. Hollingsworth.
 Cleburne Station, B. R. Bolton.
 East Cleburne Circuit, G. E. Sandel.
 West Cleburne Circuit, to be supplied.
 Covington Circuit, C. E. Davis.
 Blum Circuit, O. P. Kiker.
 Colporteur, I. Z. T. Morris.
 Polytechnic College, W. F. Lloyd, President.

WACO DISTRICT.

J. Campbell, P. E.

Waco: Fifth Street, W. L. Nelms.
 Morrow Street, J. H. Wiseman.
 East Waco, C. L. Browning.
 Lorena Circuit, W. H. Terry.
 Bruceville Circuit, J. R. Steele.
 Troy Circuit, G. S. Clark.
 West Elm and Mott, J. H. Chambliss.
 Abbott Circuit, C. N. N. Ferguson.
 Peoria Circuit, C. S. Cameron.
 Moody, S. J. Vaughan.
 Bosqueville, C. E. Gallagher.
 Mt. Calm, R. R. Raymond.
 Mart Circuit, J. A. Ruffner.
 Aquilla Circuit, to be supplied by L. A. Clark.
 Whitney, W. W. Dorman.
 Morgan, G. H. Hodge.
 Orphan Home, W. H. Vaughan.

CLARENDON DISTRICT.

R. A. Hall, P. E.

Clarendon Station, J. M. Sherman.
 Clarendon Mission, to be supplied by J. P. Wheeler.
 Claude Mission, C. S. McCarver.
 Canadian Circuit, W. L. Childress; B. F. Jackson, Sup.
 Higgins Mission, to be supplied by P. Bentley.
 Amarillo Station, M. R. T. Davis.
 Amarillo Circuit, R. O. Eustace.
 Silvertown and Tulia, J. W. R. Bachman.
 Plainview Circuit, to be supplied by T. F. Robeson.
 Floyd Mission, H. A. Story.
 Matador Mission, R. M. Morris.
 Childress Mission, J. H. Walker.
 Memphis Circuit, J. T. Bloodworth.
 Wellington Mission, E. R. Wallace.

WAXAHACHIE DISTRICT.

H. Bishop, P. E.

Waxahachie, H. A. Bourland.
 Hilsboro, C. R. Wright; B. F. Gassaway, Sup.
 Ennis, E. F. Boone.
 Midlothian, T. G. Whitten.
 Itasca, J. H. Stewart.
 Italy, T. S. Armstrong.
 Alvarado, C. S. Field.

Grandview Circuit, K. S. Van Zandt.
 Venus Circuit, J. S. Davis.
 Sims and Glenwood, C. A. Evans.
 Ferris Circuit, M. E. Hawkins.
 Reagor Circuit, R. A. Ellis.
 Red Oak Circuit, J. W. Dickinson.
 Bristol Circuit, S. C. Littlepage.
 Avalon Circuit, W. A. Gilleland.
 Milford Circuit, to be supplied by J. T. McKeown.
 Osceola Circuit, D. C. Ellis.
 Texas Christian Advocate, G. W. Owens, Agent.

GATESVILLE DISTRICT.

G. S. Hardy, P. E.

Gatesville, C. V. Oswalt.
 Oglesby Circuit, J. L. Hollers; J. W. Montgomery, Sup.
 McGregor Circuit, J. H. Braswell.
 Crawford Circuit, N. M. McLaughlin.
 Valley Mills Circuit, T. B. Hilburn.
 Meridian, W. S. P. McCullough.
 Meridian Mission, G. D. Wilson.
 Jonesboro Circuit, A. P. Smith.
 Hamilton Circuit, W. B. McKeown.
 Evant Mission, to be supplied.
 Bee House Mission, H. L. Munger.
 Brookhaven Mission, W. P. Edwards.
 Killeen and Nolanville, F. M. Winburne.
 Coperas Cove, J. E. Stephens.
 Lampasas, W. B. Wilson.
 Lampasas Mission, A. W. Waddill.
 Coryell City Circuit, R. J. Tooley.
 Harmony Circuit, W. V. Jones.

CORNICANA DISTRICT.

J. R. Nelson, P. E.

Corsicana Station, M. S. Hotchkiss.
 Corsicana Circuit, R. B. Evans.
 East Corsicana Mission, C. B. Meador.
 Rice Circuit, B. A. Snoddy.
 Kerens Circuit, J. D. Crockett.
 Brandon Circuit, J. J. Canaffax.
 Frost Circuit, J. P. Mussett.
 Blooming Grove and Cryer Creek, J. D. Odom.
 Barry Circuit, W. H. Crawford.
 Hubbard Station, J. R. Henson.
 Dawson Circuit, A. T. Culbertson.
 Wortham Circuit, G. J. Irvin.
 Mexia Station, S. R. Hay.
 Cotton Gin Circuit, M. L. Hallenbeck.
 Groesbeck Station, E. T. Harrison.
 Horn Hill Circuit, G. C. Summers.
 Thornton Circuit, J. M. Bond.
 Armour Circuit, C. G. Shutt.
 Missionary Secretary, J. R. Nelson.
 Secretary of Education, S. R. Hay.

VERNON DISTRICT.

C. W. Daniel, P. E.

Vernon Station, J. Duncan.
 Quanah Station, W. B. Andrews.
 Childree Station, B. Hardy.
 Chillicothe Circuit, C. M. Cooper.

Mangum Mission, M. W. Rogers.
 Eldorado Mission, J. W. Kizziah.
 Altus Mission, A. P. Lipscomb.
 Harrold Mission, B. R. Wagner.
 Crowell Mission, R. A. Walker.
 Seymour Station, W. D. Robinson.
 Seymour Mission, to be supplied.
 Benjamin Mission, J. L. White.
 Graham Circuit, G. W. White.
 Farmer Circuit, W. B. Ford.
 Throckmorton, L. G. Rogers.
 Haskell Circuit, M. L. Moody.

BROWNWOOD DISTRICT.

O. F. Sensabaugh, P. E.

Brownwood, C. E. Brown.
 Indian Creek Circuit, R. D. Moon.
 Bangs Mission, D. C. Stark.
 May Circuit, R. B. Young.
 Santa Anna Circuit, J. A. Wallace.
 Coleman, W. C. Hilburn.
 Glen Cove Mission, R. V. Gallaway.
 Ballinger, W. M. Lane.
 Winters Mission, M. Mills.
 Robert Lee Mission, E. T. Bates.
 Decker Mission, B. J. H. Thomas.
 Goldthwaite and Mullen, S. Gay.
 Center City Circuit, W. K. Simpson.
 Lometa Circuit, G. r' Fair.
 Blanket Circuit, to be supplied.
 Comanche Station, S. E. Burkhead.
 Comanche Circuit, C. E. Statham.
 Fleming Mission, to be supplied by J. W. Bowden.
 Mullin Circuit, to be supplied by F. Jackson.

WEATHERFORD DISTRICT.

E. A. Bailey, P. E.

Weatherford: First Church, R. C. Armstrong.
 Coutts Memorial, B. M. Stephens.
 Weatherford Mission, G. A. Nance.
 Aledo Circuit, C. E. Lindsey.
 Springtown Circuit, J. T. Rascoe.
 Peaster Circuit, W. E. Caperton.
 Whitt Circuit, A. Long.
 Mineral Wells Station, J. S. Tunnell.
 Millsap Circuit, J. S. Huckabee.
 Santo Mission, L. B. Tooley.
 Lipan Circuit, to be supplied.
 Huckabay Mission, J. D. Hendrickson.
 Gordon and Strawn, I. E. Hightower.
 Ranger Mission, J. J. Harris.
 Eliasville Circuit, J. H. Wynne.
 Breckenridge Circuit, R. F. Dunn.
 Thurber Mission, to be supplied.

Transferred.—W. J. Snow, to the Southwest Missouri Conference; E. K. Bransford, to the Memphis Conference; I. N. Crutchfield, C. L. Ballard, to the North Texas Conference; R. J. Crump, to the Tennessee Conference; J. G. Freeman, to the Kentucky Conference; W. T. Melugin, to the Texas Conference.

ARKANSAS CONFERENCE.

HELD AT OZARK, ARK., NOVEMBER 17-22, 1897.

BISHOP HENDRIX, *President*; JAS. A. ANDERSON, *Secretary*.

QUESTION 1. Who are admitted on trial?
ANSWER. Joseph Eugene Woodruff, General Lee Horton; William T. Thompson. 3.

Ques. 2. Who remain on trial? William W. Noble, D. T. Tartar, Robert F. Emerson, Marion N. Waldrip, F. A. Taff, Jr., L. A. Campbell. 6.

Ques. 3. Who are discontinued? Claude L. Griffith, at his own request. 1.

Ques. 4. Who are admitted into full connection? Charles Hester Nelson, Jesse Franklin Etchison, Lorenzo Dow Ray, W. Dean White, Percy Wellington Campbell. 5.

Ques. 5. Who are readmitted? None.

Ques. 6. Who are received by transfer from other Conferences? Wilbur F. Wilson, L. A. Blevins, J. L. Keener, O. E. Goddard. 4.

Ques. 7. Who are the deacons of one year? J. S. Williams, H. A. Matney, P. C. Fletcher, J. H. O'Bryant, J. S. Whitson, D. N. Weaver, T. M. Jackson, George Mc-Glumphy, J. J. Douglas. 9.

Ques. 8. What traveling preachers are elected deacons? Jesse Franklin Etchison, Lorenzo Dow Ray, Percy Wellington Campbell. 3.

Ques. 9. What traveling preachers are ordained deacons? James F. Etchison, Lorenzo D. Ray, Percy W. Campbell. 3.

Ques. 10. What local preachers are elected deacons? Steward F. Porter, Frederick Augustus Lark, William Wesley Noble, Isaac J. Ledbetter, William W. Mc-Elmurry, Hugh Lawson Revely. 6.

Ques. 11. What local preachers are ordained deacons? Steward F. Porter; Frederick Augustus Lark, William W. Noble, Hugh L. Revely. 4.

Ques. 12. What traveling preachers are elected elders? John Wilburn House. 1.

Ques. 13. What traveling preachers are ordained elders? John W. House. 1.

Ques. 14. What local preachers are elected elders? Augustus H. Lark. 1.

Ques. 15. What local preachers are ordained elders? Augustus H. Lark, Thomas Q. Woodmore. 2.

Ques. 16. Who are located this year? W. B. Hart, for inefficiency. 1.

Ques. 17. Who are supernumerary? W. H. Corley. 1.

Ques. 18. Who are superannuated? Josephus Loving, James Cox, W. R. Gardner, B. Monk, John H. Cummings, Alexander Mathes, George W. Evans, T. A. Graham, F. A. Taff, J. L. Hays, John M.

Clayton, B. Williams, S. F. Dykes, C. H. Gregory. 14.

Ques. 19. What preachers have died during the past year? W. H. W. Burns, V. V. Harlan. 2.

WILLIAM HARRISON WILSON BURNS was born in Independence county, Ark., May 27, 1855. He was converted in early life and united with the Methodist Episcopal Church, South. He was licensed to preach June 9, 1877, and soon after took work as a junior preacher on Clinton Circuit, with the Rev. J. L. Massey as preacher in charge. Afterwards he served the following works: Perryville Circuit in 1878-79, Louisburg Circuit in 1880-81, Dardanelle Circuit in 1882, then Cabin Creek Circuit for four years, 1883 to 1887; he was next sent to Springfield and Hill Creek, then to Dardanelle Station three years, then to Van Buren Station in 1891-92, Rogers in 1893, Springdale in 1894, Ozark in 1895, and Morrillton in 1896. At the Conference at Fayetteville he was granted a superannuated relation. It was indeed hard for him to believe that this was the right step for him to take, but in a few months he saw and acknowledged that his brethren were right in placing him on that honored roll. Brother Burns was married to Miss Loretta Roberts in Conway county, October 28, 1880. Of this union there were born seven children, all of whom survive to mourn their loss. We all knew him as a strong gospel preacher. He knew God, had a definite and clear religious experience, and preached the gospel forcibly to others, which to him was the power of God and the wisdom of God. He had courage and zeal in the Master's work. And though often in pain, he persisted in warning sinners and comforting the people of God. Few of us ever knew how much he suffered. But his mission is accomplished and his sufferings are now ended. As we have seen the sun after a stormy day break forth from behind a cloud and, flooding the whole landscape with glory, sink out of sight amidst the joyful songs of groves and skies, so he passed away. We laid the pilgrim to rest in a chamber that is called peace, where he will sleep till the break of day. A good man, a strong preacher, a diligent student, and an affectionate husband and father, has gone; but we know where to find him.

VINCENT VALENTINE HARLAN, son of Judge Joseph and Mrs. S. A. Harlan, was born at Tunnel Hill, Ga., September 27, 1851; and died November 8, 1897. He was converted and joined the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, in early boyhood. He was educated at Emory and Henry College, Virginia, receiving the A.B. degree in 1874. Some years afterwards his *alma mater* conferred upon him the A.M. degree. He joined the North Georgia Conference in the fall of 1875, and was appointed to Lawrenceville Circuit. The following year he was transferred by Bishop Pierce to the Arkansas Conference and appointed to the Fort Smith Circuit. After serving this charge one year his appointments were as follows: Fort Smith Station, three years, 1878-80; Fort Smith District, three years, 1881-83; Clarksville District, two years, 1884-85; Financial Agent of Hendrix College, three years, 1886-88; Morrillton Station, one year, 1889; Morrillton District, one year, 1890; Conway Station, two years, 1891-92; Fayetteville District, four years, 1893-96; Clarksville District, one year, 1897. He was appointed a delegate to the Ecumenical Conference in 1881, and elected as a delegate to the General Conference of 1886. He was ordained deacon by Bishop Kavanaugh at Fayetteville, October 21, 1877; and elder by Bishop Pierce at Ozark, November 16, 1879. He was married by the Rev. D. J. Weems to Miss Margaret McGee Burch, December 3, 1884. Prostrated by a severe attack of heart disease on the 25th of May, he never fully recovered; although he held several quarterly meetings and preached with much vigor quite a number of sermons during the remaining weeks of his life. His last sermon was preached on the Ozark Circuit October 10, 1897. His last official act was the baptism of his little nephew, Howard Vincent Weems, son of Mr. A. C. and Mrs. Eloise Weems, of Rome, Ga. Soon after his arrival in the bounds of the Arkansas Conference, when a candidate for admission into full connection with the Conference, his presiding elder, the Rev. S. H. Babcock, said of him: "A star of the first magnitude has appeared in our midst." If that star has descended beneath the horizon of death, we rejoice that it is only to arise in brighter radiance upon a fairer world. In all the elements that constitute Christian nobility V. V. Harlan abounded. Excelling in energy, painstaking both in plan and in execution; always loyally obedient to every command of the Church he loved so well; having always a high sense of responsibility, and unusually conscientious in the discharge of duty; generous in his contributions of labor, time, thought, prayer, and money to the good of man; large in unselfishness and considerate of the welfare of all

about him; exact and faithful in all his business relations; devoted and tender as a husband and foster-father—a character so well poised and so well rounded we do not often meet with, and this memoir is a tribute to one who was in the highest sense an honor to his Conference. As a preacher he was eminently scriptural and practical, probing the conscience and reinforcing the will. He projected upon the minds of the people a high ideal of Christian character, and with great earnestness urged its realization in Christian conduct. Too great to aim at a display of the flowers of literature and the variegated pyrotechnics of mere intellectual smartness, he was content to be wise and good—a moral stature a thousand times larger than to be merely smart. Harlan will be no stranger in the land wherein none but the undefiled shall walk. From the Fort Smith, Clarksville, Morrillton, and Fayetteville districts there will be hundreds, thousands, to whom he ministered the pure, simple, soul-saving gospel of the Lord Jesus Christ. We miss him at this Conference. We shall miss him as the years go on; and his moral stature will only grow larger as we grow wiser and more able to appreciate him. The Greeks, in commemoration of and gratitude for the generous services of Byron, cast a single bronzed medal, upon the obverse side of which was stamped a vigorous young bay tree overshadowed by low-hung clouds, emitting forked lightnings from their thunder-charged bosom, and inscribed beneath the Greek words, "*ai ei aphikartos*"—"forever imperishable." Dear Harlan, generously hast thou come to the deliverance of many; and we shall not forget thee. The bay of thy memory shall live with us without hint of perishing when everyone on the present roll of the Conference answers to the roll-call up yonder!

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

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

Fort Smith District.

	White Mem's.	Colored Mem's.	Local Pr's.
Fort Smith: First Church	335	.....	2
Central Church.....	327	.....	2
Fort Smith Circuit.....	440	.....	3
Greenwood Circuit.....	305	.....	1
Huntington and Jenny Lind	259	.....	3
Hackett Circuit	259	.....	.....
Mausfield Circuit	369	.....	1
Waldron Circuit.....	328	.....	4
Booneville Circuit.....	252	.....	.....
Sugar Grove Mission.....	165	.....	1

Fort Smith District (Continued).

	White Mem's.	Colored Mem's.	Loc'l Pr's.
Canksville Circuit.....	256	.....	.....
Charleston Circuit.....	316	.....	.....
Paris and Roseville.....	145	.....	1
Cawthorne Mission.....	259	.....	1
Park Mission.....	105	.....	2
	4,114	.....	21

Clarksville District.

Clarksville Station.....	225	.....	.....
Clarksville Circuit.....	410	.....	5
Lamar and Knoxville.....	312	.....	1
Ozone Mission.....	88	.....	5
Coal Hill Circuit.....	143	.....	2
Altus Circuit.....	110	.....	1
Ozark Station.....	128	.....	1
Ozark Circuit.....	291	.....	1
Dyer Circuit.....	455	.....	4
Alma Circuit.....	365	.....	1
Van Buren Station.....	250	.....	1
Van Buren City Mission.....	49	.....	1
Chester Mission.....	92	.....	.....
	2,928	.....	23

Dardanelle District.

Dardanelle Station.....	255	.....	.....
Russellville Station.....	191	.....	4
Atkins Circuit.....	519	.....	1
Dover Circuit.....	348	.....	3
Dardanelle Circuit.....	468	.....	3
Prairie View Circuit.....	265	.....	1
Danville Circuit.....	437	.....	2
Rover Circuit.....	491	.....	4
Gravelly Hill Circuit.....	293	.....	1
Walnut Tree Circuit.....	248	.....	5
London Circuit.....	201	.....	2
	3,716	.....	1 28

Morrilton District.

Morrilton Station.....	234	.....	2
Plummerville Circuit.....	325	.....	4
Conway Station.....	192	.....	6
Conway Mission.....	209	.....	.....
Mt. Vernon Circuit.....	510	.....	4
Quitman Station.....	305	.....	5
Quitman Circuit.....	574	.....	5
Martinville Circuit.....	225	.....	4
Morganton Mission.....	280	.....	2
Clinton Circuit.....	301	.....	3
Springfield Circuit.....	465	.....	3
Cleveland Mission.....	193	.....	4
Perryville Circuit.....	247	.....	1
Aplin Mission.....	220	.....	.....
Ada Circuit.....	260	.....	5
	4,590	.....	48

Fayetteville District.

Fayetteville Station.....	298	.....	1
Springdale Station.....	163	.....	2
Rogers and Oakley's Chapel.....	182	.....	.....
Bentonville Station.....	255	.....	3
Center Point Circuit.....	436	.....	3
Elm Springs Circuit.....	457	.....	4
Pea Ridge Circuit.....	340	.....	4
Gravette Mission.....	286	.....	5
Siloam Springs Station.....	108	.....	3
Springtown Circuit.....	322	.....	3
Cincinnati Circuit.....	227	.....	2
Boonsboro Circuit.....	268	.....	1
Prairie Grove Circuit.....	415	.....	2
Farmington Mission.....	171	.....	.....
Winslow Mission.....	167	.....	1
	4,095	.....	34

Harrison District.

Harrison Station.....	116	.....	.....
Yellville Station.....	137	.....	3
Yellville Circuit.....	328	.....	2
Mountain Home Station.....	119	.....	.....

Harrison District (Continued).

	White Mem's.	Colored Mem's.	Loc'l Pr's.
Mountain Home Circuit.....	391	.....	2
Marshall Mission.....	142	.....	1
Wiley's Cove Circuit.....	282	.....	5
Lone Rock Mission.....	147	.....	.....
Lead Hill Circuit.....	266	.....	2
Bellfonte Circuit.....	360	.....	4
Valley Springs Circuit.....	346	.....	4
Omaha Mission.....	67	.....	2
	2,701	.....	25

Eureka Springs District.

Eureka Springs Station.....	117	.....	.....
Berryville Circuit.....	153	.....	1
Green Forest Circuit.....	160	.....	.....
Carrollton Circuit.....	146	.....	3
Hackler Grove Circuit.....	93	.....	2
King's River Mission.....	120	.....	3
Kingston Circuit.....	166	.....	7
Huntsville Circuit.....	226	.....	3
Huntsville Circuit.....	115	.....	.....
Goshen Circuit.....	340	.....	2
St. Paul Mission.....	125	.....	2
War Eagle Mission.....	186	.....	1
	1,947	.....	24

Recapitulation.

Fort Smith District.....	4,114	.....	21
Clarksville District.....	2,928	.....	23
Dardanelle District.....	3,716	.....	1 28
Morrilton District.....	4,590	.....	48
Fayetteville District.....	4,095	.....	34
Harrison District.....	2,701	.....	25
Eureka Springs District.....	1,947	.....	24
Total this year.....	24,091	.....	1 208
Total last year.....	24,724	.....	1 198
Increase.....	.....	.....	5
Decrease.....	633	.....	.....

Ques. 22. How many infants have been baptized during the year? 547.

Ques. 23. How many adults have been baptized during the year? 968.

Ques. 24. What is the number of Epworth Leagues? 37.

Ques. 25. What is the number of Epworth League members? 1,219.

Ques. 26. What is the number of Sunday schools? 215.

Ques. 27. What is the number of Sunday-school teachers? 1,506.

Ques. 28. What is the number of Sunday-school scholars? 13,038.

Ques. 29. What amount is necessary for the superannuated preachers and the widows and orphans of preachers? \$3,000.

Ques. 30. What has been collected on the foregoing account? and how has it been applied? \$1,367.55. Applied to claimants.

Ques. 31. What has been contributed for Missions? Foreign Missions, \$2,160.61; Domestic Missions, \$1,838.58. Total, \$3,999.19.

Ques. 32. What has been contributed for Church Extension? \$665.81.

Ques. 33. What has been done for the American Bible Society? \$91.04.

Ques. 34. What has been contributed for the support of presiding elders and preachers in charge? Presiding elders, \$3,641.73; preachers in charge, \$33,519.05.

Ques. 35. What has been contributed for the support of bishops? \$401.69.

Ques. 36. What is the number of societies, and the number and estimated value of church edifices? Societies, 412; church edifices, 225; value, \$185,160.

Ques. 37. What is the number of pastoral charges, and the number and value of parsonages owned by them? Charges, 94; parsonages, 85; value, \$40,685.50.

Ques. 38. What is the number and value of district parsonages? Number, 5; value, \$3,550.

Ques. 39. What are the educational statistics? Hendrix College (one-third interest): Officers and teachers, 8; students, 153; value of property, \$23,666. Quitman College: Officers and teachers, 6; students, 106; value of property, \$40,000. Galloway College (one-third interest): Officers and teachers, 23; students, 225; value of property, \$20,000. Yellville Institute: Officers and teachers, 4; students, 232; value of property, \$5,000. Prairie Grove Institute: Officers and teachers, 1; students 35; value of property, \$2,500. Wallace Institute: Endowment, \$8,500.

Ques. 40. Where shall the next session of the Conference be held? Morrillton, Ark.

Ques. 41. Where are the preachers stationed this year?

FORT SMITH DISTRICT.

Stonewall Anderson, P. E.

Fort Smith: First Church, O. E. Goddard. Central, P. C. Fletcher.

Fort Smith Circuit, J. H. O'Bryant; W. H. Corley, Sup.

Greenwood Circuit, W. H. Dyer.

Hackett Circuit, Eugene Woodruff.

Mansfield Circuit, B. W. Aston.

Huntington and Jenny Lind, M. N. Waldrup.

Waldron Circuit, J. C. Shipp.

Cauthron Mission, R. F. Emerson.

Charleston Circuit, J. M. McAnally.

Booneville Circuit, D. N. Weaver.

Magazine Circuit, P. W. Campbell.

Park Mission, to be supplied by C. A. Ferguson.

Caulksville Mission, W. H. Nance.

CLARKSVILLE DISTRICT.

William Sherman, P. E.

Clarksville Station, W. F. Wilson.

Clarksville Circuit, J. N. Villines.

Lamar and Knoxville, W. P. Hamilton.

Ozone Mission, J. J. Douglass.

Coal Hill Circuit, T. A. Martin.

Altus Circuit, I. L. Burrow.

Ozark Station, S. F. Goddard.

Ozark Circuit, to be supplied by W. M. Taylor.

Alma Circuit, I. F. Harris.

Van Buren Station, J. B. Stevenson.

Van Buren Mission, to be supplied by Fred A. Lark.

Mulberry Circuit, J. W. Deshazo.

Hiram and Lydia College, I. L. Burrow, President.

DARDANELLE DISTRICT.

J. M. Cantrell, P. E.

Dardanelle Station, D. J. Weems.

Russellville Station, J. M. Williams.

Atkins Circuit, J. C. Weaver.

Dover Circuit, to be supplied by S. C. Vinson.

Prairie View Circuit, W. H. Metheney.

Danville Circuit, J. S. Whitson.

Rover Circuit, J. W. Head, G. L. Horton, Jr.

Walnut Tree Circuit, A. J. Cullum.

London Circuit, G. W. O. Davis.

Gravelly Hill Circuit, J. F. Etchison.

Dardanelle Circuit, S. S. Key.

Aplin Mission, to be supplied by J. T. Gossett.

Ada Circuit, L. D. Ray.

Paris and Roseville, J. S. Williams.

MORRILLTON DISTRICT.

P. B. Summers, P. E.

Morrillton Station, J. A. Anderson.

Plummerville, D. C. Ross.

Conway Station, F. S. H. Johnston.

Conway Mission, C. H. Nelson.

Mt. Vernon, J. E. Dunnaway.

Quitman Station, W. S. Bristow.

Quitman Circuit, A. C. Ray.

Martinville Circuit, D. T. Tartar.

Morganton Mission, to be supplied by H. L. Revely.

Clinton Circuit, A. B. Haltom.

Springfield Circuit, J. W. Griffin.

Cleveland Mission, to be supplied by R. N. Davis.

Hendrix College, A. C. Millar, President; F. S. H. Johnston, Agent; L. A. Campbell, F. A. Taff, Jr., Students.

Quitman College, O. H. Tucker, President.

Student at Vanderbilt University, W. B. Hayes.

Conference Missionary Secretary, O. H. Tucker.

FAYETTEVILLE DISTRICT.

George W. Hill, P. E.

Fayetteville Station, H. Hanesworth.

Springdale Station, E. L. Massey.

Rogers and Oakley's, George McGlumphy.

Bentonville Station, R. M. Traylor.

Mason's Valley Circuit, W. B. Johnsey.

Elm Springs Circuit, J. J. Holland, J. H. Sturdy.

Bentonville Circuit, J. L. Keener.

Gravette Mission, W. H. Hatfield.

Siloam Springs Station, T. J. Reynolds.

Springtown Circuit, Z. W. Lindsay.

Cincinnati Circuit, W. T. Thompson.

Boonsboro Circuit, Y. A. Gilmore.
 Prairie Grove Circuit, W. D. White.
 Farmington, W. J. Stone.
 Winslow Circuit, to be supplied by J. E. Bryan.

EUREKA SPRINGS DISTRICT.

P. B. Hopkins, P. E.

Eureka Springs Station, A. Marston.
 Berryville Circuit, J. B. Winsett.
 Green Forest Circuit, H. A. Matney.
 Carrollton Circuit, H. A. Armstrong.
 Hackler Grove, to be supplied by H. M. Conger.
 King's River Mission, to be supplied by T. E. Doran.
 Kingston Circuit, J. S. Hackler.
 Huntsville Circuit, J. P. Humphreys.
 Goshen Circuit, J. R. Maxwell.
 St. Paul Mission, J. S. Simmons.
 War Eagle Mission, to be supplied by T. Y. Ragsdale.
 Hindsville Circuit, B. M. Burrow.
 Brightwater, G. B. Griffin.

HARRISON DISTRICT.

Pierce Merrill, P. E.

Harrison Station, J. A. Castell.
 Bellfonte Circuit, W. K. Biggs.
 Yellville Station, J. W. House.
 Yellville Circuit, J. H. Smith.
 Mountain Home Station, T. M. Jackson.
 Mountain Home Circuit, W. W. Noble.
 Marshall Circuit, to be supplied by J. H. Ruble.
 Valley Springs Circuit, L. A. Blevins.
 Lead Hill Circuit, to be supplied.
 Omaha Mission, to be supplied.
 Dennard Mission, C. H. Culpeper.
 Lone Rock Mission, to be supplied by J. W. Wooten.

Transferred. — B. C. Matthews, to the New Mexico Conference; S. L. C. Coward, to the Louisville Conference; H. C. Jolly, to the Northwest Texas Conference; J. M. C. Hamilton, to the Indian Mission Conference; H. D. Groover, to the North Georgia Conference; D. D. Warlick, to the Little Rock Conference; A. H. Williams, to the White River Conference.

WESTERN NORTH CAROLINA CONFERENCE.

HELD AT ASHEVILLE, N. C., NOVEMBER 17-22, 1897.

BISHOP KEY, *President*; WILLIAM L. SHERRILL, *Secretary*.

QUESTION 1. Who are admitted on trial?
 ANSWER. Olin P. Ader, Jesse A. Baldwin, Lawrence P. Bogle, Albert S. Raper; William B. Scarborough, Harold Turner. 6.

Ques. 2. Who remain on trial? Robert S. Howrie, Walter L. Nicholson, Gilbert T. Rowe, Charles A. Wood. 4.

Ques. 3. Who are discontinued? Plato T. Durham, at his own request. 1.

Ques. 4. Who are admitted into full connection? H. Kelly Boyer, Robert S. Howie, John H. Fitzgerald, George F. Kirby, Thomas A. Smoot, Robert G. Tuttle. 6.

Ques. 5. Who are readmitted? None.

Ques. 6. Who are received by transfer from other Conferences? T. F. Glenn, from the Holston Conference; H. O. Moore, from the Kentucky Conference; J. T. Lyon, from the North Carolina Conference; Frank Siler, from the Missouri Conference; J. M. Terrell, from the Tennessee Conference; George H. Detwiler, from the Methodist Episcopal Church. 6.

Ques. 7. Who are the deacons of one year? Edwin L. Bain, John A. B. Fry, George D. Herman. 3.

Ques. 8. What traveling preachers are elected deacons? H. Kelly Boyer, Robert S. Howie, George F. Kirby, Robert G. Tuttle. 4.

Ques. 9. What traveling preachers are ordained deacons? H. Kelly Boyer, Robert S. Howie, George F. Kirby, Robert G. Tuttle. 4.

Ques. 10. What local preachers are elected deacons? Jesse A. Baldwin, Joseph J. Heavner, James W. Divelbiss, Harold Turner. 4.

Ques. 11. What local preachers are ordained deacons? Jesse A. Baldwin, James W. Divelbiss, Joseph J. Heavner, Harold Turner. 4.

Ques. 12. What traveling preachers are elected elders? Joseph E. Abernethy, John H. Bradley, Amos A. Crater, Samuel T. Barber, Joseph J. Edes, Thomas W. Mansfield, William H. L. McLaurin, J. A. Peeler, W. M. Robbins. 9.

Ques. 13. What traveling preachers are ordained elders? Joseph E. Abernethy, Samuel T. Barber, John H. Bradley, Amos A. Crater, Joseph J. Edes, Thomas W. Mansfield, William H. L. McLau-

rin, James A. Peeler, William M. Robbins. 9.

Ques. 14. What local preachers are elected elders? James C. Allison. 1.

Ques. 15. What local preachers are ordained elders? James C. Allison. 1.

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

Ques. 17. Who are supernumerary? J. F. Craven, E. W. Dixon, J. R. Long, H. O. Moore, James Willson. 5.

Ques. 18. Who are superannuated? C. M. Anderson, J. W. Bird, W. H. Cooper, S. M. Davis, T. H. Edwards, S. H. Helsabeck, S. D. Peeler, R. W. Pickens, Z. Rush, M. V. Sherrill, J. C. Thomas, T. L. Triplett, J. C. Troy, J. W. Wheeler, H. F. Wiley, J. A. Wiggins. 16.

Ques. 19. What preachers have died during the past year? W. W. Albea, J. C. Hartsell, John W. Roberts. 3.

WILLIAM WARREN ALBEA was born in Iredell county, N. C., October 10, 1810, and gently fell asleep in Jesus December 13, 1896, in Winston, N. C. He was converted at Moss's Camp Ground in 1830; was licensed to exhort by the Rev. J. Goodman in 1831; licensed to preach by the Rev. Moses Brock in 1831; joined the Virginia Methodist Episcopal Conference, at Petersburg, Va., February 27, 1833. His first charge was Sussex Circuit in 1833-34. He was ordained deacon by Bishop Hedding at Norfolk, Va., in 1836; ordained elder by Bishop Morris at Greensboro, N. C., in 1838. He served various charges in the Virginia and North Carolina Conferences with great acceptability; was for a time agent of Greensboro Female College. He organized the church and station at Winston, N. C., in 1854, and served the charge in 1854-55. He was pastor of that station again in 1869-71. His health failed, and in 1873 he received the superannuated relation, and for twenty-three years he waited for his release. Sixty-six years a professor of religion; sixty-three years a minister of the gospel; forty years an active itinerant Methodist preacher. His name, in the city where he lived longest and where he departed for the good world, is a household word, and is as ointment poured forth. Everybody in Winston knew and loved "Uncle Albea." He was very modest and retiring, wanted but little said about him when he was gone; hence there is much in our heart in the way of praise and eulogy to be said that must not be spoken here because of his earnest desire and urgent request. His sheaves are many and his works will follow. He was happily married to Miss Eugenia E. Hooker, October 28, 1851. There were two children born to them, a son and a daughter, who, with their mother, survive, and mourn the loss of father and husband. His funeral was an occasion to be remembered

to the end of life's journey, as we said the last words about his sleeping form and contemplated the joy he was receiving from his Master's hand. We buried him in the Winston cemetery, where the angels will watch the precious dust until it shall wake at the Master's call. Then we shall see him again in the vigor of youth and clothed in white, rejoicing in the Lord. God grant that we may be ready to go with him through the pearly gates.

JOHN CALVIN HARTSELL, son of James L. and Elizabeth Hartsell, was born in Montgomery (now Stanly) county, N. C., September 17, 1839, and died in Shelby, N. C., December 2, 1896. He was converted and joined the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, when sixteen years of age, and was licensed to preach May 18, 1861, by the Quarterly Conference of Concord Circuit and Rocky River Mission, held in the town of Concord, N. C. He was admitted on trial into the South Carolina Conference at its session held in the town of Spartanburg, S. C., commencing December 11, 1862; was ordained deacon by Bishop Pierce, November 20, 1864, and elder by Bishop Wightman, December 23, 1866. He was transferred to the North Carolina Conference with the territory in North Carolina transferred by the General Conference of 1870, and became a member of the Western North Carolina Conference at its organization in 1890. He served the following charges: 1863, Greenville Circuit, South Carolina; 1864, Walterboro Circuit, South Carolina; 1865, Albemarle Circuit, North Carolina; 1866, Wadesboro Circuit, North Carolina; 1867-68, Happy Home Circuit, North Carolina; 1869, Chesterfield Circuit, South Carolina. From this date his charges were all in North Carolina, viz.: 1870-71, Albemarle Circuit; 1872, North Charlotte Circuit; 1873, Marion Circuit; 1874-76, Happy Home Circuit; 1877, Newton Circuit; 1878, Happy Home Circuit; 1879, South Fork Circuit; 1880, Shelby Circuit; 1881, Rutherfordton Circuit; 1882, Marion Circuit; 1883, Smithfield Circuit; 1884-87, Gaston Circuit; 1888, Rock Spring Circuit; 1889, Alamance Circuit; 1890-91, Statesville Circuit; 1892-93, Elkin and Jonesville Station; 1894, Mocksville Circuit; 1895, Davidson Circuit. At the close of this year his health had so failed that he was forced to superannuate, which relation he sustained till his death. He was married three times: first to Miss Penelope Barkley, May 8, 1862; she lived only a few months after marriage. Second to Miss Mary L. Mitcham, October 17, 1865. Six children were born to them, three of whom are dead, and two sons and one daughter, now the wife of Professor Leon Cash, of Salem, N. C., are living. His second wife died November 1, 1875, and he married Mrs. F. J. Kendall, *née* Palmer,

May 9, 1876. Four children were born to them, one of whom is dead, and two daughters and one son are living. Two wives and four children preceded him to the heavenly home, leaving a bereaved widow and six fatherless children, three sons and three daughters, still on the way to that blessed reunion above to form an undivided family in the kingdom of glory. Brother Hartsell was on the effective roll for thirty-three years, and his record is on high. He consecrated the best part of his physical manhood, developed intellect, well-stored mind, mature judgment, and rich experience to the Church of God. With a fair education, a good fund of useful knowledge, and well posted in the doctrines of his Church, he was an acceptable and successful preacher. His ministry was owned and honored of God, and fruitful in results. He had many seals to his ministry and souls for his hire. Many saints were edified, backsliders reclaimed, mourners comforted, distressed relieved, bereaved consoled, and souls saved through the instrumentality of his work of faith, patience of hope, and labors of love. He will have many jewels in his crown of rejoicing in the day of his coronation. Many will rise up in that day and call him blessed. And he can say with Paul, "The seal of mine apostleship are ye in the Lord." To him belongs the honor of organizing the first church in the town of Hickory, N. C., with eight or nine members, where they now support a stationed preacher and are building a handsome house of worship. As a man and Christian he had the wisdom that is from above, which is "first pure, then peaceable, gentle, and easy to be entreated, full of mercy and good fruits, without partiality, and without hypocrisy." He was affable, sociable, kind, generous, magnanimous; a high-toned Christian gentleman; one of nature's noblemen. In his home he was the recognized center and head. As a husband and father he was devoted, kind, considerate, and affectionate. In his home was God's altar. Even in his last sickness he kept the fire of prayer and incense burning upon that hallowed altar. Often when he was unable to sit up some member of the family would read the Scripture lesson and he would lead the prayer while lying on his bed. In his home God was recognized, worshiped, and honored. He had been a victim of dyspepsia for a number of years, and during the last years of his life he suffered most intensely and almost constantly with sciatica; but in it all he was prayerful, patient, hopeful, and often cheerful. With a zeal born of undying love for Jesus and for the souls which he had purchased with his blood, and with earnest consecration to the cause he loved so well, he bravely stood at his post as a watchman on the walls of Zion, often

preaching when he could hardly stand long enough to deliver his message. The last time he preached he was so feeble that he had to sit down to finish his sermon. Like Paul he could say: "But none of these things move me, neither count I my life dear unto myself, so that I might finish my course with joy, and the ministry, which I have received of the Lord Jesus, to testify the gospel of the grace of God." And again, like that grand hero, he could say: "For which cause we faint not; but though our outward man perish, yet the inward man is renewed day by day. For our light affliction, which is but for a moment, worketh for us a far more exceeding and eternal weight of glory; while we look not at the things which are seen, but at the things which are not seen; for the things which are seen are temporal, but the things which are not seen are eternal." He often said during his last illness that he must suffer as well as do the will of God. In addition to his other diseases, he was attacked with laryngitis a few days before he died, which doubtless hastened his death. His wife and children were all present when he died, except Mrs. Cash, who was quite sick herself at the time. He was buried in Shelby, N. C., on Tuesday, December 3, 1896, with Masonic honors, and there his remains will rest and wait for the coming of his Saviour.

JOHN WARLICK ROBERTS, only son of Worth and Mattie Warlick Roberts, was born in Hickory, N. C., November 9, 1871, and died of typhoid fever in Bessemer City, N. C., June 24, 1897. He was converted and joined the Church at Wesley Chapel, in South Fork Circuit, when about thirteen years old. He was licensed to preach by the Quarterly Conference of the South Fork Circuit in 1892. He was employed as supply on South Fork Circuit during the latter part of the year 1893, in place of the preacher in charge, whose health had failed. In the midst of the following year he took charge of Riverside Church in Asheville, as the health of the pastor there had broken down. At the end of that year, November, 1894, he was admitted on trial into the Western North Carolina Conference, at its session in Statesville, and appointed as a student to Randolph-Macon College. Again there was demand for him for pastoral work, and the following January Bishop Wilson appointed him to organize and serve a new charge at Bessemer City. In response to the urgent plea of all the people in his field of labor he was reappointed to the same charge at the Conference of 1895, and again in 1896, and continued to serve it until his death. At the last session of the Conference, in Salisbury, November, 1896, he was admitted into full connection and ordained a

deacon by Bishop Galloway. His parents having removed to Texas, his mother died there when he was under two years of age. His father lost his life by an accident a few years later in Colorado. On the death of his mother he and an only sister were brought back to his maternal grandfather, the Rev. David Warlick, of Catawba county, N. C., and in this Christian home they were brought up "in the nurture and admonition of the Lord." Young Roberts attended the schools near his home, and afterwards studied at Rutherford and Weaverville colleges, and obtained a fair education, which he continued to supplement by careful study. Nature endowed him with a robust physical and mental constitution, and divine grace developed in him from infancy a moral and spiritual character possessed by but few young men. His thought and speech on all occasions were pure. He had due regard for all the proprieties of life, and deep reverence for sacred things. His religious experience was clear, his call to the ministry beyond question, his purpose for life fully decided, and, with every talent consecrated to the Master's use, whatever his hand found to do he did it with his might. And he wrought mightily. From the beginning he was a strong, sound preacher, but his character spoke louder than his words. All classes recognized in him a man of God; a workman that needed not to be ashamed. In all his ministerial labors his success was phenomenal. Every interest of the Church, temporal and spiritual, showed the effect of his strong influence. His praise was on all lips. Blessed with a cheerful and hopeful disposition; modest, prudent, and sympathetic; able and willing to work; a faithful servant of all for Christ's sake, he worked his way into all hearts. In him were beautifully blended the dew of youth and the wisdom oftener found with hoary hairs. He had so unreservedly committed his way unto the Lord that, young as he was, he seemed to be perfectly resigned to his will. Three days before his death he said that he was ready to live or die, as the Lord might will; that whatever the issue of his illness might be, it would be all right. A short time before the fatal fever seized him, in company with his wife and some friends, he marked the place where he desired to be buried — beside the church in Bessemer City, which he loved so well and had so faithfully served. In that spot his ashes await the resurrection. He was married March 13, 1895, in Lincolnton, to Miss Mammie Alice Steele, eldest daughter of the Rev. M. T. Steele, of the Western North Carolina Conference. Each seemed especially prepared by mental and spiritual gifts to be the fit companion of and co-laborer with the other, and in their union there was much promise of many years

of happiness and usefulness. But alas for earthly prospects! We cannot understand why the devoted young wife and the infant son, with so many who loved him, are left so early to deplore their loss. The kind voice of the husband, father, pastor, friend, is still; but the living Father in heaven whispers comfort and hope, and all is well.

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

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

Asheville District.

	Mem- bers.	Loc'l Pr's.
Asheville: Bethel and Biltmore.....	125	.....
Central Church.....	542	1
Haywood Station.....	270	.....
North Asheville.....	181	.....
Brevard Circuit.....	313	1
Cane Creek Circuit.....	468	.....
Hendersonville Station.....	115	.....
Hot Springs Circuit.....	174	1
Ivy Circuit.....	186	1
Leicester Circuit.....	599	2
Marshall Circuit.....	245	1
Mills River Circuit.....	333	2
Saluda Circuit.....	284	.....
Spring Creek Circuit.....	282	2
Sulphur Springs Circuit.....	655	3
Swannanoa Circuit.....	355	2
Weaverville Circuit.....	595	4
	5,721	20

Charlotte District.

Ansonville Circuit.....	439	1
Charlotte: Brevard Street.....	384	2
Church Street.....	320	.....
Trinity and Dilworth.....	332	.....
Tryon Street and North Graham.....	854	.....
Charlotte Circuit.....	294	.....
Clear Creek Circuit.....	548	.....
Lilleville Circuit.....	495	.....
Matthews Circuit.....	353	.....
Monroe Station.....	473	.....
Monroe Circuit.....	799	.....
Morven Circuit.....	748	2
Polkton Circuit.....	883	1
Sandy Ridge Circuit.....	450	.....
Wadesboro Station.....	270	.....
Waxhaw Circuit.....	326	.....
Pineville Circuit.....	255	.....
	7,723	6

Franklin District.

Andrews Circuit.....	345	1
Bryson City Station.....	206	1
Canton Circuit.....	507	5
Clyde Circuit.....	266	.....
Culowhee Circuit.....	391	2
Franklin Station.....	188	.....
Franklin Circuit.....	275	.....
Hayesville Circuit.....	516	6
Haywood Circuit.....	511	1
Hiwassee Circuit.....	263	3
Highland Circuit.....	362	3
Macon Circuit.....	583	.....
Murphy Station.....	156	1
Waynesville Station.....	249	.....
Webster and Dillsboro Station.....	137	1
West Haywood Circuit.....	325	5
Whittier Circuit.....	419	1
	5,708	30

Greensboro District.

	Mem- bers.	Loc'l Pr's.
Asheboro Station.....	174	.....
East Uwharrie Circuit.....	290	1
Greensboro: Centenary.....	322	1
West Market Street.....	543	3
Greensboro Circuit.....	435	.....
High Point Station.....	315	.....
Jamestown Circuit.....	438	1
Pleasant Garden Circuit.....	548	1
Ramseur Circuit.....	635	3
Randleman Station.....	427	2
Randolph Circuit.....	915	3
Reidsville Station.....	291	2
Ruffin Circuit.....	395	1
Uwharrie Circuit.....	727	2
Wentworth.....	577	3
Total	7,122	23

Morganton District.

Bakersville Circuit.....	208	.....
Bald Creek Circuit.....	421	1
Broad River Circuit.....	383	2
Burnsville Circuit.....	276	4
Elk Park Circuit.....	73	.....
Estatoe Circuit.....	276	1
Green River.....	255	2
Marion Station.....	266	.....
McDowell Circuit.....	649	.....
Morganton Station.....	218	1
Morganton Circuit.....	540	1
North Cove Circuit.....	189	.....
Old Fort Circuit.....	536	3
Rutherfordton Circuit.....	428	.....
Silver Creek Mission.....	.....	.....
Table Rock Circuit.....	681	.....
Total	5,399	15

Mt. Airy District.

Boone Circuit.....	247	1
Creston Circuit.....	445	3
Elkin and Jonesville Station.....	212	.....
Healing Springs Circuit.....	240	5
Jefferson Circuit.....	498	3
Mt. Airy Station.....	365	1
Mt. Airy Circuit.....	650	3
North Wilkesboro Circuit.....	320	2
Pilot Mountain Circuit.....	450	4
Sparta Circuit.....	313	4
Surry Circuit.....	91	1
Watauga Circuit.....	380	2
Wilkesboro Circuit.....	339	1
Total	4,550	30

Salisbury District.

Albemarle Circuit.....	563	1
China Grove Circuit.....	455	.....
Concord: Bays Chapel.....	210	.....
Central.....	214	.....
Forest Hill.....	537	1
Concord Circuit.....	435	.....
Gold Hill Circuit.....	436	1
Lexington Station.....	260	.....
Linwood Circuit.....	550	2
Mt. Pleasant Circuit.....	479	2
Norwood Circuit.....	603	.....
Salem Circuit.....	549	1
Salisbury: Church Street.....	478	3
Chestnut Street.....	260	1
Salisbury Circuit.....	519	.....
Thomasville Station.....	313	.....
Woodleaf Circuit.....	366	2
Total	7,327	14

Shelby District.

Belwood Circuit.....	595	2
Bessener City Circuit.....	128	.....
Cherryville Circuit.....	442	1
Forest City Circuit.....	750	1
Gastonia Station.....	332	1
Henricetta Station.....	337	1
King's Mountain Circuit.....	558	.....

Shelby District (Continued).

	Mem- bers.	Loc'l Pr's.
Lincolnton Circuit.....	456	.....
Lowesville Circuit.....	484	.....
McAdensville Circuit.....	537	.....
Mt. Holly Circuit.....	280	.....
Mt. Island Station.....	194	.....
Polkville Circuit.....	792	2
Shelby Station.....	266	.....
Shelby Circuit.....	465	2
South Fork Circuit.....	577	1
Stanley Creek Circuit.....	305	.....
Total	7,558	11

Statesville District.

Alexander Circuit.....	927	1
Caldwell Circuit.....	817	5
Catawba Circuit.....	755	.....
Connelly Springs Circuit.....	550	3
Hickory Station.....	270	.....
Iredell Circuit.....	634	1
Lenoir Station.....	250	1
Lenoir Circuit.....	588	1
McKendree Station.....	343	.....
Mooreville Station.....	268	.....
Mt. Zion Station.....	450	1
Newton Circuit.....	532	2
Rock Spring Circuit.....	798	1
Statesville Station.....	396	.....
Statesville, West End.....	127	.....
Statesville Circuit.....	824	2
Troutman Circuit.....	659	2
Total	9,188	20

Winston District.

Danbury Circuit.....	405	1
Davidson Circuit.....	603	4
East Bend Circuit.....	254	2
Farmington Circuit.....	1,151	1
Forsythe Circuit.....	437	1
Kernersville Circuit.....	496	1
Madison Circuit.....	740	1
Mocksville Station.....	150	.....
Mocksville Circuit.....	726	2
Stokes Circuit.....	655	.....
Summerfield Circuit.....	504	1
Winston: Burkhead.....	145	.....
Centenary.....	873	.....
Grace Church.....	133	.....
Winston Circuit.....	461	1
Yadkinville Circuit.....	294	1
Zion and Prospect Circuit.....	374	.....
Total	8,461	16

Recapitulation.

Asheville District.....	5,721	20
Charlotte District.....	7,723	6
Franklin District.....	5,703	30
Greensboro District.....	7,122	23
Morganton District.....	5,399	15
Mt. Airy District.....	4,550	30
Salisbury District.....	7,327	14
Shelby District.....	7,558	11
Statesville District.....	9,188	20
Winston District.....	8,461	16
Total this year.....	68,752	185
Total last year.....	67,279	190
Increase.....	1,473	.....
Decrease.....	.....	5

Ques. 22. How many infants have been baptized during the year? 1,817.

Ques. 23. How many adults have been baptized during the year? 2,193.

Ques. 24. What is the number of Epworth Leagues? 105.

Ques. 25. What is the number of Epworth League members? 3,548.

Ques. 26. What is the number of Sunday schools? 731.

Ques. 27. What is the number of Sunday-school teachers? 4,740.

Ques. 28. What is the number of Sunday-school scholars? 49,752.

Ques. 29. What amount is necessary for the superannuated preachers and the widows and orphans of preachers? \$5,000.

Ques. 30. What has been collected on the foregoing account? and how has it been applied? \$3,293.15. Applied to claimants.

Ques. 31. What has been contributed for Missions? Foreign Missions, \$8,835.33; Domestic Missions, \$5,031.12. Total, \$13,866.45.

Ques. 32. What has been contributed for Church Extension? \$1,940.10.

Ques. 33. What has been done for the American Bible Society? \$361.22.

Ques. 34. What has been contributed for the support of presiding elders and preachers in charge? Presiding elders, \$10,661.78; preachers in charge, \$76,534.88.

Ques. 25. What has been contributed for the support of bishops? \$1,272.62.

Ques. 36. What is the number of societies, and the number and estimated value of church edifices? Societies, 788; church edifices, 665; value, \$782,590.

Ques. 37. What is the number of pastoral charges, and the number and value of parsonages owned by them? Charges, 163; parsonages, 116½; value, \$130,889.

Ques. 38. What is the number and value of district parsonages? Number, 5; value, \$7,900.

Ques. 39. What are the educational statistics? Value of school property, \$304,200; officers and teachers, 52; students, 864; endowment Trinity College, \$125,000; collected for education, \$2,181.69.

Ques. 40. Where shall the next session of the Conference be held? Winston, N. C.

Ques. 41. Where are the preachers stationed this year?

ASHEVILLE DISTRICT.

D. Atkins, P. E.

Asheville: Central Church, C. W. Byrd; H. O. Moore, Sup.

North Asheville, E. L. Bain.

Haywood Street, H. L. Atkins.

Bethel, J. R. Moose.

Biltmore, R. G. Tuttle.

Weaverville Circuit, L. E. Stacy.

Sulphur Springs Circuit, W. Lelyette.

Swannanoa Circuit, G. F. Kirby.

Leicester Circuit, T. F. Glenn.

Cane Creek Circuit, J. A. Sronce.

Saluda Circuit, E. N. Crowder.

Hendersonville Station, J. T. Lyon.

Mills River Circuit, E. J. Poe.

Brevard Circuit, L. A. Falls.

French Broad Circuit, T. B. McCurdy.

Ivy Circuit, W. B. Lyda.

Hot Springs Circuit, Harold Turner.

Marshall Circuit, J. P. Reynolds.

Spring Creek Circuit, W. H. Perry.

Sunday-school Editor, James Atkins.

CHARLOTTE DISTRICT.

S. B. Turrentine, P. E.

Charlotte: Tryon Street, H. F. Chreitzberg, W. W. Bays.

Trinity, Frank Siler.

Calvary, W. H. Willis.

Brevard Street, C. M. Campbell.

Epworth, to be supplied by J. F. Butt.

Belmont and Dilworth, J. A. Baldwin.

Charlotte Circuit, R. S. Howie.

Pineville Circuit, T. W. Smith.

Matthews Circuit, T. P. Bonner.

Sandy Ridge Circuit, J. C. Mock.

Waxhaw Circuit, M. C. Field.

Clear Creek Circuit, R. F. Bryant.

Monroe Station, J. J. Renn, W. M. Robbins.

Monroe Circuit, J. H. West.

Polkton Circuit, to be supplied by B. F. Fincher.

Ansonville Circuit, G. D. Herman.

Wadesboro Station, Parker Holmes.

Morven Circuit, R. M. Taylor.

Lilesville Circuit, D. F. Carver.

FRANKLIN DISTRICT.

T. E. Wagg, P. E.

Franklin Station, C. F. Sherrill.

Franklin Circuit, J. J. Edes.

Macon Circuit, R. B. Shelton.

Highland Circuit, G. J. Owen.

Waynesville Station, T. J. Rogers.

Clyde Circuit, T. B. Johnson; J. R. Long, Sup.

Canton Circuit, W. G. Malonee.

Haywood Circuit, W. M. Boring.

West Haywood Circuit, A. W. Jacobs.

Webster and Dillsboro Station, W. B. Honeycutt.

Cullowhee Circuit, L. P. Bogle.

Bryson City Station, J. J. Gray.

Whittier Circuit, P. L. Terrell.

Andrews Circuit, J. H. Bradley.

Hiwassee Mission, to be supplied by Z. V. Cordell.

Murphy Station, J. E. Abernethy.

Hayesville Circuit, J. T. Stover.

GREENSBORO DISTRICT.

P. J. Carraway, P. E.

Greensboro: West Market Street, J. H. Weaver.

Centenary, J. E. Gay.

Proximity Mission, G. T. Rowe.

Greensboro Circuit, J. B. Tabor.

Reidsville Station, S. H. Hilliard.

Wentworth Circuit, J. M. Price.

Ruffin Circuit, W. S. Hales.

Pleasant Garden Circuit, S. T. Barber, P.

L. Groome; J. F. Craven, Sup.

Ramseur Circuit, H. H. Jordan.

Randleman Station, J. E. Woosley.

Asheboro Station, A. W. Plyler.

East Uwharrie Circuit, E. G. Pusey.

Uwharrie Circuit, T. S. Ellington.
 Randolph Circuit, R. S. Webb.
 West Randolph Circuit, A. A. Crater.
 High Point Station, J. R. Scroggs, G. H. Crowell.
 Jamestown Circuit, S. D. Stamey.
 North Carolina Christian Advocate, L. W. Crawford, Editor.
 Student at Vanderbilt University, T. A. Smoot.
 Student at Randolph-Macon College, V. L. Marsh.
 Colportage Agent, N. R. Richardson.

MORGANTON DISTRICT.

J. W. Jones, P. E.

Morganton Station, W. H. Leith.
 Morganton Circuit, J. H. Brendle.
 Table Rock Circuit, L. L. Smith.
 Marion Station, R. D. Sherrill.
 Old Fort Circuit, E. Myers.
 McDowell Circuit, to be supplied by R. H. Penland.
 Rutherfordton Circuit, G. H. Detwiler.
 Broad River Circuit, J. B. Carpenter.
 Green River Circuit, J. D. Carpenter.
 Burnsville Circuit, to be supplied by C. H. Curtis.
 Bald Creek Circuit, J. D. Gibson.
 Bakersville Circuit, W. Y. Scales.
 Elk Park and Eataoee, J. H. Moore.
 North Cove Circuit, to be supplied by A. J. Farrington.
 Silver Creek Mission, to be supplied by J. C. Brown.
 Connelly Springs Circuit, C. G. Little.
 Forest City Circuit, J. A. Cook.

MT. AIRY DISTRICT.

H. M. Blair, P. E.

Mt. Airy Station, H. K. Boyer.
 Mt. Airy Circuit, J. P. Rodgers; one to be supplied.
 Pilot Mount Circuit, T. H. Pegram.
 Elkin and Jonesville Station, F. L. Townsend.
 Wilkesboro and North Wilkesboro, H. C. Sprinkle.
 Wilkes Circuit, J. F. England.
 Sparta Circuit, to be supplied by S. W. Brown.
 Healing Springs Circuit, Seymour Taylor.
 Jefferson Circuit, A. J. Burrus.
 Creston Circuit, J. P. Lanning.
 Watauga Circuit, W. L. Dawson.
 Boone Circuit, W. L. Nicholson.

SALISBURY DISTRICT.

J. R. Brooks, P. E.

Salisbury: Church Street, T. F. Marr.
 Chestnut Hill and Spencer, D. P. Tate.
 Salisbury Circuit, J. J. Brooks.
 Woodleaf Circuit, R. S. Abernethy.
 China Grove Circuit, E. M. Merritt.
 Concord: Central Church, J. E. Thompson.

Concord: Forest Hill, J. D. Arnold.
 Epworth Church, W. P. McGhee.
 Concord Circuit, G. G. Harley.
 Mt. Pleasant Circuit, A. E. Wiley.
 Salem Circuit, C. M. Gentry.
 Norwood Circuit, J. A. Clarke.
 Albemarle Circuit, L. L. Johnson.
 Gold Hill Circuit, L. T. Cordell.
 Lexington Station, R. H. Parker.
 Linwood Circuit, S. S. Gasque.
 Thomasville Station, J. S. Nelson.

SHELBY DISTRICT.

W. R. Ware, P. E.

Shelby Station, R. M. Hoyle.
 Shelby Circuit, T. T. Salyer.
 King's Mountain Circuit, J. M. Downum.
 Gastonia Station, W. M. Bagby.
 McAdenville Circuit, M. T. Steele.
 Stanly Creek Circuit, Albert Sherrill.
 Mt. Holly Circuit, W. C. Willson.
 Mt. Island Station, R. L. Ownbey.
 Lincolnton Circuit, W. F. Womble.
 Lowesville Circuit, D. M. Litaker.
 Chenyville Circuit, A. G. Gantt.
 South Fork Circuit, T. F. Gibson.
 Belwood Circuit, D. H. Coman; E. W. Dixon, Sup.
 Polkville Circuit, F. W. Bradley.
 Henrietta Station, J. A. Bowles.
 Bessemer City Circuit, A. R. Surratt.

STATESVILLE DISTRICT.

J. C. Rowe, P. E.

Statesville Station, M. A. Smith; James Willson, Sup.
 Statesville: West End, R. G. Barrett.
 Statesville Circuit, J. O. Shelley.
 Iredell Circuit, J. D. Buie.
 Clarksburg Circuit, J. A. Peeler.
 Mooresville Station, J. W. Clegg.
 McKendree Station, O. P. Ader.
 Troutman Circuit, W. S. Cherry.
 Mt. Zion Station, Ira Erwin.
 Rock Spring Circuit, J. C. Postelle.
 Catawba Circuit, C. C. Brothers.
 Newton Circuit, M. D. Giles.
 Hickory Station, W. L. Sherrill.
 Lenoir Station, T. A. Boone.
 Lenoir Circuit, G. W. Ivey.
 Caldwell Circuit, L. M. Brower.
 Alexander Circuit, J. W. Bowman.
 Student at Trinity College, L. H. Triplett.

WINSTON DISTRICT.

F. H. Wood, P. E.

Winston: Centenary, W. S. Creasy.
 Burkhead, G. W. Callahan.
 Grace Church, J. A. B. Fry.
 Winston Circuit, A. S. Raper.
 Forsyth Circuit, C. A. Wood.
 Kernersville Circuit, B. A. York.
 Madison Circuit, Z. Paris.
 Danbury Circuit, T. W. Mansfield.
 Stokes Circuit, W. H. L. McLaurin.
 Davidson Circuit, M. H. Hoyle.

Summerfield Circuit, P. E. Parker.
 East Bend Circuit, S. P. Douglas.
 Yadkin Mission, to be supplied by M. H. Long.
 Mocksville Station, J. A. Green.
 Mocksville Circuit, M. H. Vestal.
 Farmington Circuit, R. T. N. Stephenson.
 Walkertown Station, W. M. Curtis.
 Francisco Mission, W. B. Scarboro.

Transferred.—L. T. Mann, J. W. Strider, J. M. Terrell, to the North Carolina Conference; R. L. Sprinkle, to the Florida Conference; W. R. Barnett, to the Holston Conference, and stationed at Centenary, Knoxville; J. H. Fitzgerald, to the Northwest Mexico Conference, and stationed at Durango, Mexico.

NORTH GEORGIA CONFERENCE.

HELD AT ATHENS, GA., NOVEMBER 24-30, 1897.

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

QUESTION 1. Who are admitted on trial?

ANSWER. Addison A. Sullivan, Joseph G. Christian, William W. Gaines, Wistar S. Gaines, John W. Austin, Sterling P. Wiggins, George M. Eakes, J. Haralson Pace, Zedekiah Speer, Julius A. Sprayberry. 10.

Ques. 2. Who remain on trial? Roy R. Sibley, Benjamin H. Mobley, Alfred J. Sears, George P. Gary, William P. King, George H. Bell, Charles C. Jarrell, Taylor W. Rogers, J. Thomas Robins, Samuel C. Cowan, John W. Potter, John A. Burtz. 12.

Ques. 3. Who are discontinued? None.

Ques. 4. Who are admitted into full connection? Thomas R. Kendall, Jr., Alfred M. Pierce, John G. Logan, Arthur G. Shankle, Richard C. Cleckler, James L. Pattillo, James O. A. Grogan, Henry D. Pace, James W. Hunt, Enoch W. Jones. 10.

Ques. 5. Who are readmitted? None.

Ques. 6. Who are received by transfer from other Conferences? T. E. Davenport, D. M. Edwards, W. J. Carlton, H. A. Hodges. 4.

Ques. 7. Who are the deacons of one year? Oscar L. Kelley, John T. Eakes, William H. Cooper, Marcellus L. Troutman, Jr., John W. Gober, Joseph A. Quillian, Edmund G. Dunagan, John P. Erwin, John C. Atkinson, Francis R. Seaborn, George L. Chastain, Madison M. Walraven, Walter E. Arnold, Francis G. Golden, Adolphus F. Nunn, Joseph A. Sharp. 16.

Ques. 8. What traveling preachers are elected deacons? Thomas R. Kendall, Jr., Alfred M. Pierce, John G. Logan, Arthur G. Shankle, Richard C. Cleckler, James O. A. Grogan, Henry D. Pace, James L. Pattillo. 8.

Ques. 9. What traveling preachers are ordained deacons? Thomas R. Kendall,

Jr., Alfred M. Pierce, John G. Logan, Arthur G. Shankle, Richard C. Cleckler, James L. Pattillo, James O. A. Grogan, Henry D. Pace. 8.

Ques. 10. What local preachers are elected deacons? Joseph G. Christian, Reuben L. Estes, William F. Lassiter, Wistar S. Gaines, Irby D. Henderson, William E. Venable, William P. King, Joseph H. Dame, George W. Eakes. 9.

Ques. 11. What local preachers are ordained deacons? Joseph G. Christian, Reuben L. Estes, William F. Lassiter, Wistar S. Gaines, Irby D. Henderson, William E. Venable, Joseph H. Dame, George M. Eakes, John K. Bearden. 9.

Ques. 12. What traveling preachers are elected elders? Henry B. Mays, George D. Stone, William A. Harris. 3.

Ques. 13. What traveling preachers are ordained elders? Henry B. Mays, George D. Stone, William A. Harris. 3.

Ques. 14. What local preachers are elected elders? George M. Brand. 1.

Ques. 15. What local preachers are ordained elders? George M. Brand. 1.

Ques. 16. Who are located this year? John W. Bale, E. B. Rees, J. W. McCrary, G. J. Orr, A. B. Pope, I. S. Hopkins, C. H. Carson, Jr., at their own request. 7.

Ques. 17. Who are supernumerary? G. Hughes, J. B. Holland, W. G. Hanson, F. P. Brown. 4.

Ques. 18. Who are superannuated? W. J. Scott, F. F. Reynolds, J. W. Baker, J. M. Armstrong, J. A. Rosser, M. G. Hamby, G. G. Smith, F. P. Langford, S. D. Clements, J. W. G. Watkins, W. T. Norman, A. G. Worley, T. A. Seals, S. P. Richardson, J. T. Curtis, H. M. Newton, W. M. D. Bond, W. D. Shea, G. C. Andrews, R. R.

Johnson, W. P. Rivers, W. T. Hamilton, E. G. Murrah, W. A. Parks, J. T. Norris, T. J. Edwards, John S. Moore, W. J. Cotter. 28.

Ques. 19. What preachers have died during the past year? R. A. Connor, J. Chambers, J. T. Daves, L. Rush, M. F. Malsby, R. H. Jones. 6.

LEONARD RUSH, of German extraction and sturdy Protestant stock, was born in Pendleton District, S. C., June 29, 1808, to which state his ancestors, animated by a love of religious liberty, emigrated about the middle of the eighteenth century. His grandfather, Abraham Rush, a man of sterling worth and solid piety, left the impress of his high character upon his generations down to the present day. Among the multitudes who trace their genealogy back to this ancestral head, scarcely one can be found who was notably irreligious; while many of them have filled the pulpits and official positions of the Church. His father religious, upright; his mother deeply pious, no wonder that, even in infancy, his mind was imbued with the spirit of Christianity. An heir to so rich a legacy of pious example and religious precept, in early childhood he covenanted with God to serve him while life lasted. How bravely and faithfully he kept that childhood vow his long life and useful labor abundantly show. In 1820 his father moved into Laurens District, S. C. He was now twelve years of age. A year after, when he "felt that he was old enough to serve God," he went into the woods alone to pray, committed himself fully to God, and was "grandly and gloriously converted—was happy as an angel." This is his own language as he describes the heavenly rapture of that memorable hour. Methodist houses of worship were scarce at that day, and opportunities to attend public religious services were rare indeed; but this newborn child of God in the field and wood found temples of God's own building, where, with Bible and hymn book, he spent hours in hallowed communion with his Maker. "The first time he saw the doors of the Church opened, he joined; the first time he ever witnessed the celebration of the Lord's Supper, he communed; at the first love feast he ever attended, he testified as to God's abounding mercy toward him, and declared his purpose to serve him to the end." And so he did. He was licensed to exhort in 1829; to preach, in 1830. The South Carolina Conference admitted him on trial in February, 1831, and he was placed as junior with James S. Stockdale, on the Enoree Circuit; as junior with Elisha Callaway, in 1832, on Lancaster Circuit; Morganton Circuit, N. C., 1833; Brunswick Circuit, N. C., 1834; Cape Fear Mission (to the slaves), 1835. He was

married in March of that year to Miss Ann D. Bryan. Served Chesterfield Circuit, S. C., 1836. Because of the ill health of his wife, who died early in the following year, he located. But, though without an appointment, he was not idle; it was not in his nature or spirit so to be. He traveled at large as an evangelist through Georgia and North and South Carolina, preaching to many thousands at protracted and camp meetings with marvelous power and effect. We are told that often during his sermons "many would unconsciously rise to their feet and gaze at the preacher; while others, under the throes of conviction, would fall to the ground, crying for mercy and forgiveness." This he ever regarded as the most fruitful year of his ministry. Readmitted, he was sent in 1838 to Black River and Pedee Mission, in Georgetown District. December 26 of this year he was married to Elizabeth Ann Lessesne, of Charleston. From this union sprang six children, three of whom yet live. In December, 1888, just fifty years after this marriage, this second wife, full of hope and Christian joy, went to her reward. In 1839 he was returned to Rock River and Pedee Mission. He now located again, and moved to Georgia and settled in Talbot county, intending to apply for admission into the Georgia Conference, but was unable to do so, by reason of a severe and protracted attack of typhoid fever. Joining the Alabama Conference, he served the following charges: Haynesville Circuit, 1842; Chattahoochee Mission (to slaves), 1843-46. When he joined the Alabama Conference he proposed to remove to the state; but, liking Georgia better, he asked for a transfer. The bishop refused his request, upon the ground that "it was the rule to transfer men west, but not east." So he located again, and returned to his home in Talbot county, Ga., where (the preacher on the Talbot Circuit having left his work) he acted as supply for the remainder of the year 1847. From 1848 to 1853 he remained local, but not unemployed. The evangelistic fire burned in his very bones, and he went from point to point preaching the word in the power and demonstration of the Spirit. In labors abundant, he felt it to be his highest and chiefest joy to preach the unsearchable riches of Christ and to defend the doctrines and polity of the Methodism he so dearly loved. And his labors God crowned with large and gracious results. Received into the Georgia Conference, he was appointed to Greenville Circuit, 1854; Buena Vista Circuit, 1855; Hamilton Circuit, 1856; Columbus District, 1857; Greenville Circuit, 1858; Butler Circuit, 1859; Centerville, 1860-61; Bellevue Circuit, 1862. Early in this year he was elected and served as chaplain of Mont-

gomery's Artillery, and afterwards as chaplain of the Third Georgia Cavalry, remaining as such till the surrender in 1865. Appointed to Geneva Circuit, 1866; Columbus Circuit, 1867; Thomson Circuit, 1868-70; Elberton District, 1871-72; Chalybeate Springs, 1873; Troup Circuit, 1874-75; Senoia Circuit, 1876-78; Upson Circuit, 1879; Forsyth Circuit, 1880-81; The Rock Circuit, 1882-83; Winterville Circuit, 1884; Franklin Circuit, 1885; Culloden Circuit, 1886-89. Here closed the active itinerant career of one whose life links us back to the heroic days of Methodism, when it meant much for men to lay themselves — life, family, fortune, all — upon her altars, to go they knew not whither, to suffer privations and hardships, to face, oftentimes, the scorn of the world, and to endure all things for the excellency of the knowledge of Christ Jesus the Lord. Yet brother Rush did this, did it bravely and willingly. His uncommon common sense enabled him, although often called to serve works where pecuniary compensation was meager, to keep himself free from the trammels of debt and other entangling alliances of a worldly sort, such as sometimes hinder the usefulness of others. A man of one work, he magnified his office until the "silver cord" was "loosed" and the "wheel" was "broken at the cistern." When his brethren of the Conference relegated him to the superannuated ranks — to many preachers the hardest of life's trials — he, although feeling himself still able to do active work, retired sweetly and gracefully, not to a life of repose and inaction, but to preach on and to preach powerfully, until in age "and feebleness extreme" he laid himself down upon his bed to patiently await the Master's call, "Come up higher." His closing days were full of Christian resignation — sunbright and beautiful with radiance of the faith which lights the Christian's dying chamber. On the 20th of April, 1897, quietly and sweetly as the infant slumbers on its mother's breast, he "fell on sleep." To write of our deceased friend and brother as his talents and usefulness merit would far transcend the limits of a memorial notice. Volumes have been written to chronicle the deeds and embalm the memories of many of those less deserving. His *personnel* was striking and commanding. His native gifts were good, quite beyond the average. Though enjoying no educational advantages beyond those to be obtained in the common English schools of his day, yet by study and close attention to general reading he acquired a fund of information which equipped him for his high calling and gave him rank with the foremost of his day. As a dialectician he had few superiors; as a theologian, especially on doctrinal questions, he

was an acknowledged authority; for length of life and service he had few if any equals. He outlived and outlasted most of his contemporaries. But his crowning glory, perhaps, was his love to the Church, his love of the ministry. If we may so speak, he had a mania for preaching. Often he has been heard to exclaim, "If I had a thousand lives, all of them should be given to the work of the ministry!" Again, while addressing his congregations on some high theme — for instance, the "reward of the just" — he would exclaim in tones of thrilling pathos, "Heaven, sweet heaven, how I long to be there!" No doubt he is there today. While he bears the palms of victory and wears his crown of rejoicing, let us who linger behind emulate his example.

JOEL T. DAVES was born in Hancock county, Ga., on the 5th of August, 1833. It was a kind providence, after ordering his toils in other fields for nearly fifty years, to bring him back to the home of his childhood, where, in the presence of his sons, who had all become citizens of his native state, he breathed his last in Atlanta on the 6th of February, 1897, in the sixty-fourth year of his age. Perhaps the first sermon which reached his tender heart fell from the lips of George F. Pierce, when in 1836 he preached over the remains of brother Daves's father. In 1844 his mother removed with the family to Morehouse Parish, La., where he was brought up and educated. In early manhood he went to Texas to enter business, and was encouraged with the promise of a prosperous career. But God had chosen him for the noble work of the ministry. His conversion and Church membership in old Georgia at eight years of age went with him to the West, and in 1857, with nineteen other consecrated souls, he knocked at the door of the Texas Conference, which then, with the East Texas Conference, occupied the whole state, and under the presidency of the late loved and honored Bishop Kavanaugh he was admitted on trial. At that time all the Methodists in Texas — white, colored, and probationers — numbered less than thirty thousand. Last year the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, aggregated nearly two hundred thousand ministers and members. What part in this wonderful growth the young preacher had can be known only at the "opening of the books" in which the record is kept. Ordained deacon by Bishop Pierce in 1859 and elder by Bishop Early in 1861, he devoted himself to the duties of an itinerant preacher, and was placed in charge of responsible appointments. In his third year he was stationed at Corsicana, and in his fifth at Waco, both leading charges in Texas. From Waco he entered the army as major

of the Nineteenth Texas Cavalry, serving for eighteen months as field officer and Christian minister in his regiment, and in both spheres exhibiting the highest marks of courage and faithfulness. Returning to the pastorate in 1863, he served three years more in the Texas Conference, until 1866, when he was transferred to the Louisiana Conference, where for several years he made full proof of his ministry in every charge to which he was appointed. In 1873 Bishop Keener, hearing the voice of God calling our Church into Mexico, chose brother Daves to be superintendent of the Mexican Mission. He intended to devote his life to this interesting and promising field, but the health of his wife gave way, and he was forced to retire after two years. The mission was organized by him, and he built the first Protestant church in the city of Mexico, and left it with sixty members as the fruit of his labors. A letter from our senior bishop, written to Rev. Joel T. Daves, Jr., speaks of his father as follows: "The telegraph of yesterday brought the news of your father's death. My mind recurs to a long acquaintance with him and his work in Mexico and Louisiana. He has a good record as a preacher, pastor, and missionary. His talents were wisely and faithfully used, and are doubtless so estimated by his Lord. His work in Mexico has never been adequately appreciated by the Church, for he had to return home after a few years' work to save the life of your mother, because the climate did not agree with her health; but he was there long enough to lay the foundations of a great work, and to lay them well. It was a time of much trial; the republic was still in a formative state, and the Church at home short-handed. Yet he pushed bravely forward and built the San Andres Chapel, the only one we have in that large city. He made warm friends wherever he was known by his easy and sympathetic manners, and when he left Mexico he had come to have much influence, and his going was greatly regretted by our Church there." Such a noble tribute from one so wise and good as Bishop Keener is honor enough for this world, and is evidence of high companionship for our sainted brother with the "great apostle to the Gentiles." Returning to the Louisiana Conference, from 1875 to 1882 he served the Delhi and Shreveport districts as presiding elder, and was stationed at Shreveport and Baton Rouge. In 1883-84 he was pastor at Marshall, East Texas Conference, and in 1885-86 at Tyler. Coming back to Louisiana, he spent four years as pastor at Lake Charles. In 1890 he was transferred to the North Georgia Conference, and in 1891 he was pastor at Marietta; in 1892, at Cedartown; and in 1893, at Payne Memorial. At the end of this year

his health began to fail, and he reluctantly took the supernumerary relation. He hoped to be able to resume his place on the effective list, but it became evident that he was worn out in the service, and he was placed upon the roll of veterans, where he remained until God called him to his reward. For fifty-three years of his itinerant ministry he enjoyed the happy and helpful companionship of his devoted wife, formerly Miss Weak, of Morehouse Parish, La., who, with three sons—Professor W. W. Daves, of Cartersville; Rev. Joel T. Daves, of our Conference; and Mr. James P. Daves, of Atlanta, Ga.—survive him. Two daughters had preceded him, having died in early childhood. Brother Daves was not intimately known to many members of this Conference. Those who enjoyed close relations with him can testify to the high characteristics which distinguished him as a man of mark, and set him apart as a "workman that needeth not to be ashamed." Receiving his commission from the King, he went forth to make full proof of his ministry. He "studied to show himself approved." Perhaps few of us have given more careful, painstaking preparation to every duty. Whether in the pulpit on the Sabbath, in the prayer meeting during the week, in the "house-to-house" visitation, or even in wayside calls, he carried with him the completest qualifications which he could derive from his well-selected library, mellowed and sweetened by daily seasons of prevailing prayer. His sermons were "redolent of the lamp," but never dry and cold. They were often models of literary achievement, but their rhetoric was chastened by the touch of God's Spirit and moistened by the dew of loving sympathy. His visits to the fire-side, especially in times of sorrow, were comfort and peace, often leaving the burdened and despairing happy and hopeful. His untiring zeal and intense earnestness arrested the communities in which he labored, and gave the Church a new spring of life. He drew men to him with cords of love, and won many to the service of Christ. His second presiding elder, the venerable O. M. Addison, of Texas, now nearly eighty years of age, says of him: "I could see nothing in myself to attract his attention and love, save honesty of purpose and intent; yet, from the very first of our acquaintance in 1858, there seemed to be a spirit of congeniality which drew us together in closest intimacy. He had unselfish, generous traits, which greatly endeared him to me, and I counted him as one, if not the best one, of my friends." Shreveport, La., was the scene of several years of his ministry. The newspapers of that city voice the sorrow of the people in the touching tributes to his memory. The *Evening Judge* of

February 12, after announcing his death, says: "The news of the death of this true gentleman and zealous worker in the cause of Christianity will be received with deep and sincere sorrow by a large number of our people — by all, in fact, who knew him when he was pastor of the Methodist Church in this city, and who, knowing, loved and honored him for his many noble traits of character, as well as for his earnest and self-sacrificing devotion to his Master's cause. He was, indeed, loved and respected by all classes, and in many respects possessed probably more influence for good among some classes of our people than any former pastor in our city. He was not one who stood aloof from intercourse with the masses, but he went among them, spoke kindly words of genial greeting, and showed an interest in their everyday lives while working for their spiritual welfare; and the people appreciated this fully." The *Shreveport Times* of the same date pays this tribute: "His memory is connected with early manhood days in Baton Rouge, and in later years with his work in this city. In all the walks of life he was God's gentleman, the highest and purest type of human disinterested love for his people everywhere." The *Progress* publishes the following: "He was brave as a lion, with a moral courage that knew no fear; gentle as a woman, loving and lovable as a child, earnest and consistent, true to the world, the Church, and God—he was by common consent and one accord addressed as 'Brother Daves.' With a life as holy as Christianity could make it, he feared no slanderous tongue, but went his way, anywhere, everywhere, where the story of Christ could be told; and he did this as earnestly, lovingly, and tenderly in the hovel as he did in the homes of our wealthiest families." Surely the life that thus impressed men, and lingers like a benediction after years of separation, only verifies those wonderful words, "Blessed are the dead which die in the Lord from henceforth; Yea, saith the Spirit, that they may rest from their labors; and their works do follow them."

ROBERT H. JONES was born in Elbert county, Ga., September 21, 1828, and died in Cartersville, Ga., September 2, 1897. His parents were natives of North Carolina, but soon after his birth the family removed to Alabama, where he was reared. There he was engaged with his father in a tannery and general merchandise store until 1849, when he joined the Alabama Conference. He traveled two years in that Conference with great acceptability, with constantly increasing efficiency and power as a preacher of the gospel. Converted in early youth and nurtured by godly parents, he was deeply pi-

ous. He was married, in 1851, to Miss Lizzie E. Cotton, daughter of W. G. Cotton, then a resident of Troup county, Ga. After his marriage he located, and embarked in the carriage business at Oak Bowery, Hart county, Ala., where he remained until 1853, when he removed to Cartersville, Ga., and established an extensive carriage manufacturing business, which he continued until 1861. That year he raised the "Fireside Defenders" in response to the call for volunteers, which afterwards became a part of the Twenty-second Georgia Regiment, of which he was elected colonel. His command was engaged in the battle of the Seven Pines, where he received a painful musket-shot wound in the hip, but did not leave the field. He was in the seven days' fight around Richmond and in the battle of Malvern Hill, where he was shattered and badly burned by the bursting of a shell in his face. As soon as he recovered he resumed the command of his regiment. He was in line of promotion and in command of a brigade in the battle of Sharpsburg, and if he had not been permanently disabled by wounds received in that fearful fight, he would have been made brigadier general. He was there shot through the hat; hit in the stomach, the ball penetrating through his belt; and in a few seconds he was shot through the right lung, the ball going completely through him. From this wound he never recovered, and was compelled to resign his commission in 1863. After remaining several days without having his wounds dressed, he was carried by the men of his regiment to Winchester, Va., where he received the needed medical treatment; and as soon as he could travel, he came home. A more gallant officer, a braver man, never drew sword than Colonel Robert H. Jones. We turn again to his faithful, efficient work in the Church of God. While establishing his manufacturing interest he labored abundantly as a local preacher; but, longing for the full work of an itinerant, he applied for admission on trial into the Georgia Conference in 1859. He was admitted at Rome, Ga., December 14-21, Bishop Kavanaugh presiding, in the same class with R. A. Seale, J. D. Anthony, A. G. Haygood, and others. That year and the following his appointment was Etowah, in the Rome District. In 1861, the minutes of the Georgia Conference say, "In the army, Robert H. Jones"; and in 1862, "Confederate army, R. H. Jones." In 1863, disabled from military service, he at once took work in the Conference, and was appointed to the Euharlee Mission; in 1864-65 he was appointed to West Point, Bethel, and Long Cane. His old wound troubled him more and more, until he could no longer take regular work. He loved the Church and loved to preach.

As a supernumerary member of the Conference he rendered willing, efficient service up to the measure of his ability. For many years he was largely the counselor and support of the church at Cartersville. For some time before his death he was not fully at himself, but his interest in the Church, his zeal for the Lord's cause, neither wavered nor abated. As chairman of the committee of the "Sam Jones Tabernacle" he was the moving spirit in those wonderful yearly meetings held at Cartersville, the results of which will be known in eternity aione. He was a friend to the poor, true and tried. The colored people honored and trusted him. He was stricken with paralysis and lingered for months, waiting for his Lord to call him home. Now and then the cloud lifted from his brain, and he would offer prayer and praise with the old-time fervor. The end came; the battle fought, the victory won, he went home to his reward. Friday afternoon his neighbors, friends, and loving kindred crowded the church to do him honor and weep him gone. His devoted wife and loving children—three sons and three daughters—with a host of friends, followed him to the tomb. Then we laid him to rest to await the resurrection of the just.

JOSEPH CHAMBERS, whose life was one of the most consecrated and beautiful of our old guard, was born in North Carolina, March 8, 1818, and fell asleep at the home of his daughter, Mrs. Mills, of New Decatur, Ala., January 29, 1897. He became a Christian and joined the Methodist Church when a youth. In his twentieth year he was married to Miss Jane Weaver, of South Carolina, who was a most devoted Christian, and a helpmeet indeed during his long and useful life. They were blessed with seven children, three of whom survive. He moved to Georgia soon after his marriage, and located in Atlanta, where he labored for some years as a mechanic. In 1850 he was licensed to preach, and in 1853 he was admitted on trial into the Georgia Conference. His Conference history is as follows: 1853-54, Murphy Mission; 1855, Ducktown Mission; 1856, Morganton Mission; 1857, Clayton Mission; 1858, Morganton; 1859, Blairsville Mission; 1860-61, Carnesville Circuit; 1862-63, Jefferson and colored mission; 1864, Clarksville Mission; 1865, Cleveland Mission; 1866, Lumpkin Circuit; 1867-69, Alpharetta; 1870-71, Carrollton and Bowden; 1872-73, Fairburn; 1874, Villa Rica; 1875, Roswell; 1876, Cobb Circuit; 1877-78, Etowah. Here his effective ministry closed, and he was placed in the superannuated relation; but his zeal for the salvation of souls continued to increase until the Master said: "It is enough; come up higher." This is the

summary in years of his intinerant ministry; but how little do these cold figures tell of his real life and service in the cause he had espoused in his youth! No eye but that which followed him day and night as he moved his wife and children through the mountains of North Georgia, from one hard mission to another, can read between these lines and appreciate fully the struggles of his great heart and the mighty conflicts and triumphs of his faith. Measured by the world's standard, he was never considered a great preacher; yet he did a work that none but a great man could do, and did it cheerfully. From the story of his life, which we gather from those who knew him, we learn that no one, perhaps, has ever been more consecrated to the work of the Christian ministry. Like the great apostle, he actually lived over the life and died over the death, in the midst of a wicked world, of the Man of Galilee; and, after all, this is more powerful preaching than any silver tongue can do. While not much has been written or said of him, except that, like Enoch of old, "he walked with God," he was very highly esteemed in love for his work's sake, by his brethren. His last illness was short and without suffering. When the final message came for him to depart this life he received it with a smile, and, resting in the arms of his faithful daughter, Mrs. Mills, his great soul passed out of its frail tenement into the glory of the eternal world and into the high and holy communion of the spirits of just men made perfect. The old tabernacle in which he had lived and labored so long was brought back to Georgia by the hands of his Masonic brethren, and deposited by the side of his wife in the cemetery at Smyrna.

R. A. CONNER was born in 1826, and died in 1897. It is greatly regretted that no facts have been furnished the Conference touching his early days and conversion. He entered the itinernancy in 1851, and filled important appointments for sixteen of the nineteen years before his final retirement to the place of disabled veterans, being supernumerary in 1866 and superannuated in 1863 and 1868. R. A. Conner was a man of gentle spirit. This trace of his Lord illuminated his life. Smoking flax was not in danger of quenching under his heels; he brought it, rather, to a flame with his breath. The bruised reed he would not break; he sought, instead, to allay its bruises and strengthen its weakness. Far from the ugly habit of self-assertion, he walked in humility with his Lord, content with that holy removal from public notice. The flowers the Spirit grew in the remote seclusion were radiant with the smile of God, and they exhaled a sweetness that left him no place

to long after the fictitious attractions that attend and mark the world's rewarding. God was enough. Moses found his back of the desert; and along the way our brother bore himself for nearly thirty years of retreat from activity he found his Lord not once, but often; not in the burning bush, but in his glowing heart. It is a long time to suffer, these numerous years of disablement; but to him these were his years of enriching. He drew on sorrow and weariness, his taskmasters, for the jewelry of the sky, and went in their adorning across the sea into the great desert and beyond into life. The ministry of suffering does not always mean better service here, although that is often its design and end. A lot in the cemetery, occupied by sacred dust, is often birthplace for its owner of a power to call the dead to Christ and immortality. When the nails went through the white hands of the Son of God he pulled earth and heaven together, and his wounded feet led the way out of sin and the grave to our Father's home. Pain that comes early makes for ministry of usefulness; pain that comes late is the mother-of-pearl. To fit the sun of the coming morning for that sunrise and citizenship, disability is often the chosen operation of the Spirit, working in the saints mightily to subdue all things unto himself. So, after work and weariness, R. A. Conner left us, the earth better for his coming, heaven richer for his going, himself better fitted for the true life because of what the present life denied him. His Conference history is as follows: 1851, Andrew Chapel, Savannah; 1852-53, Richmond; 1854, Louisville and Richmond; 1855-56, Talbot; 1857, Whitesville; 1858, Trinity Mission, Augusta; 1859, Lexington; 1860-63, Richmond and colored mission; 1864-65, Columbia and colored mission; 1866, supernumerary; 1867-68, Appling; 1869-70, Jefferson.

M. F. MALSBY was born in Macon, Ga., in 1823, and died in Social Circle in July, 1897. He entered the itinerancy in 1853, and served connectedly twenty-three appointments, until 1875, when he took a superannuated relation, greatly against his will. He was the first itinerant preacher in Georgia to be placed upon a four-appointment circuit. When Lovick Pierce's sagacity saw the necessity of dividing the large circuits, and he wished to justify with success the experiment, he selected M. F. Malsby to test the wisdom of that innovation. Ney to lead a battle advance was not a wiser selection than was Malsby's appointment to Whitesville Circuit; and his great success remodeled the Conference for more efficient work and advancement. M. F. Malsby was an impressive figure — compact, well built,

shapely; an open, manly countenance, unclouded with even the momentary passing of deceit; the brow and eyes of a king, always imperial in independence. Nor were his intellectual gifts less marked than was his personal endowment. He was charged with common sense like a dynamo fed by Niagara-driven machinery. He did his own thinking. Never conceited with the sense of his gifts, he felt it would be dishonor to the grace of God in him to accept the dicta of anybody without appealing their declarations to the high court of his own judgment. Would there were more of that sort! He was soundly converted. He made a consecration of himself at the beginning, and it was as unnecessary for him to go through the form of a reconsecration as it would be for the sun to precede its daily rising with the announcement of its dedication to the day. He did not trifle with God or himself. When he surrendered it was unconditional, and he retained neither side arms, money, nor shoes; all was God's. The right of the divine Son to what he was and could either become or accomplish was a debt he would confess and pay. He was a hard worker and a generous giver, therefore, and whatever his privations for Christ he counted honor and joy. He was volcanic and stormy by nature. By grace the lion and the lamb lay down together in his soul. Early in his ministry, being brutally insulted, the dynamo discharged itself upon the head of the aggressor. He was reproved for it. And when, as he was going through the Conference ordeal, and had said after a recital of his provocation, "I couldn't help it!" Allen Turner answered, "Yes you could." He replied: "Uncle Allen, *you* could have helped it, but Malsby couldn't." He rose a full league higher by that generous preferring in honor of another to himself than he had sunk by the appeal to blows. That was a great hour, and no doubt every angel would have voted to pass his character. The cicatrix he had made on his own name was lost to view in the radiance of his humility, and the humble mad was glorified in the flash of rarest grace. Superannuation is the preacher's trial. That temptation broke over him in waves of horror and despair; it left him in Gethsemane, and the cup to him also was bitter. Let us never hasten the hands that bear this draught of bitterness to the lips that have been vocal with the message of cross and resurrection. Maturity of experience is mellow fruit, and it makes the pulpit redolent of heaven's richest perfume. Legs can never fitly substitute wisdom. A green persimmon draws like the attraction of gravitation, but it doesn't taste well or produce fattening. Hold the old saints to work! But the temptation

subsided, and the cup's bitterness became only a reminiscence of pain, and M. F. Malsby said: "If I cannot go with the gospel to sinners, let me help the feet of such as can go with its glad tidings." So he became their steward, and walked the streets and roads in the service of their table. If an angel brought bread to Elijah, was it not honor to him that he might bread Elijah's successors? Oh, how he toiled and succeeded in the ministry of pastoral support, reversing the order of Stephen's ascent from the service of tables to the advocacy of the word. The heaven opened over the toiler for another's support as surely as over the martyr's battered bosom. When he had finished his work, and his weary feet could go no longer, the blessing of the King was upon his stainless brow, and M. F. Malsby was with his Lord. His Conference history is as follows: 1853, Vienna; 1854-55, Cusseta; 1856, Whitesville; 1857, Decatur; 1858, Morgan; 1859, Monticello and colored mission; 1860, Canton; 1861-62, Morgan and colored mission; 1863, Factory Mission, Athens; 1864-66, Jefferson and colored mission; 1867, Monroe; 1868, Monroe and Social Circle; 1869, Carrollton and Bowden; 1870, Culloden; 1871, Ellijay; 1872-73, Newborn.

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

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

Athens District.

	White Mem's	Colored Mem's	Loc'l Pr's
Athens: First Church.....	657	.....	3
Oconee Street.....	641	.....	7
Athens Circuit.....	419	.....	7
Whitehall and Mission.....	386	.....	1
Watkinsville.....	730	.....	2
Winterville.....	549	.....	1
Lexington.....	282	.....	.....
Greensboro.....	316	.....	.....
Greene Circuit.....	536	.....	.....
Crawfordsville.....	214	.....	1
Oglethorpe Mission.....	197	.....	1
White Plains and Siloam.....	337	.....	1
Norwood.....	460	.....	2
Washington.....	270	.....	1
Broad River.....	486	3	.....
Little River.....	392	.....	1
	6,852	3	21

North Atlanta District.

Atlanta: First Church.....	1,056	.....	4
Grace.....	805	.....	.....
Payne's Memorial.....	633	.....	1
Merritt's Avenue.....	172	.....	2
St. James.....	437	.....	.....
St. Luke.....	269	.....	1
Edgewood.....	157	.....	.....
Epworth.....	117	.....	1
Marietta.....	440	.....	2
Bolton Circuit.....	404	.....	.....

North Atlanta District (Continued).

	White Mem's	Colored Mem's	Loc'l Pr's
Atlanta Heights.....	514	.....	.....
Cobb Circuit.....	418	.....	4
Acworth.....	528	.....	.....
Smryna.....	498	.....	.....
Woodstock.....	547	.....	.....
Canton.....	453	.....	4
Birmingham.....	399	.....	1
Walesca.....	132	.....	2
	7,979	.....	22

South Atlanta District.

Atlanta: Trinity.....	1,489	.....	11
Walker Street.....	876	.....	5
St. Paul.....	569	.....	2
Park Street.....	544	.....	1
Asbury.....	271	.....	2
St. John.....	356	.....	1
West Atlanta.....	120	.....	.....
Nellie Dodd Memorial.....	79	.....	1
Kirkwood.....	79	.....	1
East Atlanta Circuit.....	294	.....	.....
East Point.....	557	.....	3
Jackson.....	253	.....	.....
Fayetteville.....	585	.....	2
Inman.....	530	.....	3
Flovilla.....	419	.....	1
Jenkinsburg.....	445	.....	1
Locust Grove.....	354	.....	2
Stockbridge.....	491	.....	2
McDonough.....	498	.....	2
College Park.....	64	.....	1
	8,873	.....	41

Augusta District.

Augusta: St. John.....	669	.....	3
St. James.....	575	.....	1
Asbury.....	575	.....	2
St. Luke.....	346	.....	.....
Broadway.....	419	.....	1
Woodlawn.....	140	.....	.....
Richmond Circuit.....	577	.....	4
Grovetown.....	256	.....	.....
Appling.....	394	.....	2
Harlem.....	489	.....	3
Thomson.....	308	.....	1
Messena.....	402	.....	1
Warrenton.....	358	.....	3
Culverton.....	439	.....	.....
Sparta.....	204	.....	.....
Hancock.....	460	.....	.....
Milledgeville.....	472	.....	.....
Baldwin Circuit.....	345	.....	.....
South Baldwin Mission.....	187	.....	.....
	7,615	.....	21

Carrollton District.

Carrollton Station.....	329	1	1
Carrollton Circuit.....	643	.....	2
Bowden.....	587	.....	2
Whitesburg and Mission.....	379	.....	1
Douglasville Station.....	350	.....	1
Douglasville Circuit.....	317	.....	1
Anstell and Lithia.....	366	.....	2
Tallapoosa Station.....	150	.....	2
Tallapoosa Circuit.....	202	.....	2
Roopville and Mission.....	369	.....	2
Buchanan.....	395	.....	.....
Powder Springs.....	512	.....	2
Temperance and Mission.....	191	.....	2
Villa Rica and Temple.....	558	.....	2
Draketown and Mission.....	226	.....	4
Glenn.....	581	.....	.....
	6,105	1	26

Dahlonega District.

Dahlonega.....	373	.....	2
Lumpkin Mission.....	304	.....	2
Cleveland.....	651	.....	3
Porter Springs.....	544	.....	4

Dahlonega District (Continued).

Oxford District (Continued).

	White Mem's.	Colored Mem's.	Loc'l Pr's.
Clarkesville.....	391		1
Coruelia.....	269		1
Clayton.....	446	3	1
Young Harris.....	263		2
Blairsville.....	504		6
Young Cane Mission.....	271		3
Blue Ridge.....	112		3
Ellijay.....	399		1
Jasper.....	160		1
Ball Ground.....	484		2
Dawsonville.....	473		8
	5,744	3	40

	White Mem's.	Colored Mem's.	Loc'l Pr's.
Madison.....	263		1
Morgan.....	527		2
Rutledge Circuit.....	243		
Shady Dale.....	427		1
Eatonton.....	185		
East Putnam.....	541		1
West Putnam.....	572		
Monticello Station.....	248		3
Monticello Circuit.....	456		
Clinton.....	417		
Covington.....	245		1
Conyers.....	300		2
Lithonia.....	878	1	5
Stone Mt. and Clarkston.....	543		1
Decatur.....	289		2
	8,304	1	28

Dalton District.

Dalton: First Church.....	493		1
Hamilton Street.....	232		
Whitfield.....	605		1
Calhoun Circuit.....	484		3
Adairsville.....	497		2
Kingston.....	544		1
Tilton.....	353		4
Tunnel Hill.....	384		2
Fairmount.....	728		4
Ringgold.....	540		2
La Fayette.....	524		
Spring Place.....	280		1
Murray Circuit.....	337		
Lyerly Circuit.....	468		1
Chickamanga.....	489		3
Rossville.....	73		1
Summerville.....	465		
Subigna.....	401		3
Fairview.....	228		1
	8,185		30

Gainesville District.

Gainesville: First Church.....	637		5
Second Church.....	319		2
Hall Circuit.....	510		3
Flowery Branch.....	426		5
Buford.....	340		2
Chestatec Mission.....	393	1	1
Cunningg.....	223		
Winder.....	815		1
Gwinnett Circuit.....	278		2
Lawrenceville.....	442		1
Logansville.....	477	1	
Monroe.....	304		
Snellville Mission.....	492		1
Norcross.....	879		5
Alpharetta.....	511		2
Roswell.....	479		5
Belton and Mission.....	500		6
Dacula.....	585		2
	8,610	2	45

Elberton District.

Elberton.....	644		2
Middleton.....	639		1
Bowman.....	643		4
Hartwell.....	573		
Hartwell Mission.....	390		1
Royston.....	528		
Carnesville.....	659		2
Lavonia.....	574		
Toccoa.....	213		
Toccoa Mission.....	419		1
Danielsville.....	439		
Jefferson.....	692		6
Harmony Grove.....	720		2
Mayesville.....	756		4
Lincolnton.....	354		
Lincolnton Mission.....	25		
	8,238		23

Griffin District.

Griffin: First Church.....	412		
Hanleiter Mission.....	229		
Orchard Hill.....	372		
Milner.....			
Zebulon.....	514		
Concord Mission.....	241		
Barnesville.....	419		1
West Monroe.....	390		3
The Rock and Mission.....	596		4
Culloden.....	402		
Thomaston.....	269		
Forsyth Station.....	302		
Forsyth Circuit.....	509		1
Senoia.....	365		2
Jonesboro.....	470		
Hampton.....	469		1
	6,396		12

La Grange District.

La Grange.....	449		2
West Point Station.....	343		2
West Point Circuit.....	482		2
Hogansville.....	463		1
Grantville.....	743		
Newnan.....	444		1
North Coweta.....	368		2
Thrin.....	598		1
Franklin.....	547		
Palmetto and Fairburn.....	301		1
Palmetto Circuit.....	619		2
Greenville and Trinity.....	346		
Mountville.....	570		1
Chipley.....	589		1
Pine Mountain.....	214		1
Woodbury.....	536		
Rocky Mount.....	185		2
	7,753		19

Rome District.

Rome: First Church.....	712		2
Second Church.....	334		1
Third Church.....	140		
North Rome.....	633	1	1
East Rome.....	143		
West Rome.....	397		1
Cave Spring.....	376		
Floyd Springs.....	346		2
Cedartown Station.....	365		2
Cedartown Circuit.....	327		
Rockmart.....	349		2
Dallas.....	348		
Cartersville.....	429		5
Emerson.....	272		
Silver Creek.....	222		
	5,393	1	16

Oxford District.

Oxford.....	655		5
Midway.....	111		1
Conyers Circuit.....	443		1
Newborn.....	441		2
Social Circle.....	520		

Recapitulation.

Athens District.....	6,852	3	21
North Atlanta District.....	7,979		22
South Atlanta District.....	8,373		41
Angusta District.....	7,615		21

Recapitulation (Continued).

	White Mem's.	Colored Mem's.	Loc'l Pr's.
Carrollton District.....	6,105	1	26
Dahlonega District.....	5,744	3	40
Dalton District.....	8,185	.....	30
Elberton District.....	8,238	.....	23
Gainesville District.....	8,611	2	45
Griffin District.....	6,396	.....	12
La Grange District.....	7,753	.....	19
Oxford District.....	8,304	1	28
Rome District.....	5,393	1	16
Total this year.....	96,047	11	344
Total last year.....	93,386	15	355
Increase.....	2,661	.....	.....
Decrease.....	.....	4	11

Ques. 22. How many infants have been baptized during the year? 1,578.

Ques. 23. How many adults have been baptized during the year? 4,196.

Ques. 24. What is the number of Epworth Leagues? 189.

Ques. 25. What is the number of Epworth League members? 6,868.

Ques. 26. What is the number of Sunday schools? 746.

Ques. 27. What is the number of Sunday-school teachers? 5,642.

Ques. 28. What is the number of Sunday-school scholars? 49,177.

Ques. 29. What amount is necessary for the supernannated preachers and the widows and orphans of preachers? \$20,005.

Ques. 30. What has been collected on the foregoing account? and how has it been applied? \$15,474.50. Applied to claimants.

Ques. 31. What has been contributed for Missions? Foreign Missions, \$16,904.03; Domestic Missions, \$8,626.52. Total, \$25,530.55.

Ques. 32. What has been contributed for Church Extension? \$3,861.09.

Ques. 33. What has been done for the American Bible Society? \$553.12.

Ques. 34. What has been contributed for the support of presiding elders and preachers in charge? Presiding elders, \$18,567.42; preachers in charge, \$123,849.82.

Ques. 35. What has been contributed for the support of bishops? \$2,764.86.

Ques. 36. What is the number of societies, and the number and estimated value of church edifices? Societies, 790; church edifices, 770 1-3; value, \$1,144,670.

Ques. 37. What is the number of pastoral charges, and the number and value of parsonages owned by them? Charges, 225; parsonages, 164; value, \$216,305.

Ques. 38. What is the number and value of district parsonages? Number, 5; value, \$9,700.

Ques. 39. What are the educational statistics? Emory College: Officers and teachers, 15; students, 281; value of property, \$125,000; endowment, \$208,630. Wesleyan Female College: Officers and teach-

ers, 19; students, 199; value of property, \$250,000; endowment, \$50,000. La Grange Female College: Officers and teachers, 18; students, 240; value of property, \$100,000. Young L. G. Harris College: Officers and teachers, 10; students, 322; value of property, \$20,000; endowment, \$38,000. Fairmount College: Officers and teachers, 6; students, 298; value of property, \$10,000. Reinhardt Normal College: Officers and teachers, 5; students, 218; value of property, \$4,500. Piedmont Institute: Officers and teachers, 7; students, 308; value of property, \$16,000. Blue Ridge Institute: Officers and teachers, 4; students, 170; value of property, \$1,500. Hutcheson Collegiate Institute: Officers and teachers, 4; students, 215; value of property, \$3,000. Paine Institute: Officers and teachers, 6; students, 202; value of property, \$8,000; endowment, \$25,000. Contributed for education, \$3,599.28.

Ques. 40. Where shall the next session of the Conference be held? Augusta, Ga.

Ques. 41. Where are the preachers stationed this year?

ATHENS DISTRICT.

J. B. Robins, P. E.

Athens: First Church, J. W. Heidt.

City Mission, F. L. Church.

Oconee Street, M. H. Dillard.

Whitehall and Mission, J. M. Sewell.

Athens Circuit, B. Sanders.

Watkinsville, J. S. Askew.

Winterville, C. L. Pattillo.

Lexington, A. J. Hughes.

Greensboro, Simeon Shaw.

Green Circuit, J. F. Mashburn.

White Plains and Siloam, B. E. L. Timmons.

Norwood, J. S. Embry; F. P. Brown, Sup.

Crawfordville, L. P. Winter.

Washington, A. W. Quillian.

Broad River, R. B. O. England.

Little River, J. E. Rosser.

Oglethorpe Mission, N. E. McBreyer.

Wesleyan Female College, J. D. Hammond, President; W. B. Bonnell, Professor.

NORTH ATLANTA DISTRICT.

W. B. Stradley, P. E.

Atlanta: First Church, Walker Lewis.

Payne Memorial, English Avenue, W.

W. Brinsfield, J. H. Little.

Grace Church, W. F. Quillian.

Merritt's Avenue, R. W. Bigham.

St. James, T. R. McCarty.

St. Luke, Clayton Quillian.

Edgewood, R. T. Du Bose.

Epworth, S. B. Ledbetter.

Atlanta Heights, J. E. Rorie.

Marietta, J. W. Quillian.

Acworth, E. H. Wood.

Cobb Circuit, J. L. Ware.

Woodstock, H. M. Strozier.
 Battle Hill Circuit and Mission, W. J. Wood.
 Canton Station, J. N. Snow.
 Bolton Circuit, L. W. Rivers.
 Holly Springs Circuit, L. D. Coggin.
 Walesca Mission, R. W. Rogers.
 Editor Wesleyan Christian Advocate, W. F. Glenn.
 Preachers' Aid Society, C. A. Evans.
 President Reinhardt Normal College, R. W. Rogers.
 General Colporteur, E. M. Stanton.

SOUTH ATLANTA DISTRICT.

W. P. Lovejoy, P. E.

Atlanta: Trinity, J. W. Roberts.
 Walker Street, J. T. Gibson.
 St. Paul, H. L. Edmonson.
 Park Street, J. T. Daves.
 Asbury, L. P. Neese.
 St. John, H. J. Ellis.
 Nellie Dodd Memorial and West Atlanta, F. W. McClesky.
 Kirkwood and East End, H. W. Joiner.
 East Atlanta Circuit, R. A. Seale.
 East Point, W. A. Dodge.
 Jackson, W. M. Winn.
 Fayetteville, Loy Warwick.
 Inman, W. C. Davis.
 Flovilla, J. A. Sewell.
 Jenkinsburg, J. W. Hunt.
 Locust Grove, J. N. Myers.
 Stockbridge, A. B. Weaver.
 McDonough, F. S. Hudson.
 College Park, P. A. Heard.
 Agent Orphans' Home, H. L. Crumly.
 Secretary Board of Education, R. J. Big-ham.

AUGUSTA DISTRICT.

J. F. Mixon, P. E.

Augusta: St. John, T. R. Kendall.
 St. James, J. H. Mashburn.
 Broadway, S. R. England.
 Asbury, W. Dunbar.
 St. Luke, F. P. Spencer.
 Woodlawn, J. R. Lewis.
 Richmond Circuit, F. D. Cantrell.
 Groveton, J. V. M. Morris.
 Appling, T. H. Timmons.
 Harlem, T. H. Gibson.
 Thomson, J. M. Tumlin.
 Messena, J. T. Robins.
 Warrenton, R. F. Eakes.
 Culverton, Crawford Jackson.
 Sparta, J. S. Jenkins.
 Hancock, W. A. Fariss.
 Milledgeville, W. R. Branham.
 South Baldwin Mission, E. W. Jones.
 Baldwin Circuit, J. M. Lowrey.
 Payne Institute, R. L. Campbell, Professor.

CARROLLTON DISTRICT.

M. J. Cofer, P. E.

Carrollton, Wilds L. Pierce.
 Carrollton Circuit, Artemus Lester.

Bowdon, B. P. Searcy.
 Whitesburg and Mission, R. C. Cleckler; one to be supplied.
 Winston Mission, D. C. Brown.
 Douglasville, D. J. Myrick.
 Austell and Lithia, S. A. Harris.
 Tallapoosa Circuit, H. L. Gray.
 Roopville and Mission, H. W. Morris.
 Buchanan, J. D. Turner.
 Powder Springs, A. G. Shankle.
 Villa Rica and Temple, F. Walton.
 Draketown and Mission, J. W. Taylor.
 Glenn, J. S. L. Sappington.
 President Hutcheson High School, R. C. Cleckler.

DAHLONEGA DISTRICT.

Ellison R. Cook, P. E.

Dahlonega, W. H. Cooper; one to be supplied by N. F. Howard; G. Hughes, Sup.
 Lumpkin Mission, Z. Speer.
 Cleveland, A. F. Nunn.
 Clayton Circuit, R. Roy Sibley.
 Rayburn Mission, G. P. Gary.
 Blairsville, J. F. Tyson.
 Ellijay and Mission, W. O. Butler; one to be supplied.
 Jasper, W. E. Tarpley.
 Dawsonville, D. M. Edwards.
 Clarksville and Turnerville Mission, M. H. Edwards.
 Young Harris, W. F. Robison.
 Blue Ridge and Mission, W. E. Arnold.
 Demorest, to be supplied by W. R. Stillwell.
 Loudsville Mission, B. H. Mobley.
 Young Cane Mission, to be supplied by T. C. Hughes.
 Ball Ground, W. W. Gaines.
 Birmingham Mission, A. A. Sullivan.
 Green Collegiate Institute, C. C. Spence.
 President Young Harris College, W. F. Robison.

DALTON DISTRICT.

A. W. Williams, P. E.

Dalton: First Church, L. G. Johnson.
 Hamilton Street, E. A. Gray.
 Whitfield, H. D. Pace.
 Summerville and Trion, W. T. Hunnicutt.
 Spring Place Circuit, J. W. Bailey.
 Murray Circuit, George M. Eakes.
 Fairmount Circuit, T. P. Graham.
 Fairview, Sanford Leak.
 Calhoun, M. S. Williams.
 Adairsville, O. L. Kelley.
 Tifton and Mission, J. L. Perryman.
 Subligna, C. E. Hartman.
 La Fayette, J. F. Davis.
 Chickamauga, J. A. Thurman.
 Rossville Mission, J. H. Pace.
 Lyerly, M. L. Troutman, Jr.
 Ringgold, J. O. A. Grogan.
 Kingston, J. J. Ansley.
 Tunnell Hill, T. E. Davenport; W. G. Hanson, Sup.

Fairmount College, J. A. Sharp, President; P. L. Stanton, Professor.

ELBERTON DISTRICT.

J. R. King, P. E.

Elberton, B. F. Fraser.
 Middleton, G. D. Stone.
 Bowman, J. A. Quillian.
 Hartwell, T. J. Warlick.
 Hartwell Mission, J. W. Potter.
 Royston, F. R. Seaborn.
 Carnesville, W. A. Simmons.
 Lavonia, W. T. Hamby.
 Toccoa, J. B. Allen.
 Toccoa Mission, J. W. Gober.
 Danielsville, H. F. Branham.
 Jefferson, J. W. Stipe.
 Harmony Grove and Mission, G. W. Griner, A. J. Sears.
 Lincolnton, E. G. Dunagan.
 Lincolnton Mission, W. S. Gaines.
 Maysville, J. R. Speck.
 Sunday-school Agent, C. A. Jamison.

GAINESVILLE DISTRICT.

M. L. Underwood, P. E.

Gainesville: First Church, J. M. White.
 Second Church and Mission, W. F. Colley.
 Hall Circuit, J. W. Austin.
 Flowery Branch, J. F. Balis.
 Buford, H. L. Embry.
 Hoschton Circuit, J. P. Erwin.
 Cumming, W. G. Crawley.
 Winder, W. B. Dillard.
 Bethlehem Circuit, A. M. Pierce.
 Lawrenceville, J. E. England.
 Logansville, T. W. Rogers.
 Monroe, Ford McRee.
 Snellville Mission, to be supplied by S. H. Braswell.
 Norcross and Prospect, C. V. Weathers.
 Duluth Circuit, E. C. Marks.
 Alpharetta, John A. Burtz.
 Roswell, John G. Logan.
 Belton and Mission, J. C. Atkinson.
 Dacula, J. M. Fowler.

GRIFFIN DISTRICT.

W. W. Wadsworth, P. E.

Griffin: First Church, T. J. Christian.
 Hanleiter Mission, H. B. Mays.
 Orchard Hill, J. E. Russell.
 Milner, R. P. Martyn.
 Zebulon, M. M. Walraven.
 Concord Mission, to be supplied.
 Barnesville, W. S. Stevens.
 West Monroe, H. A. Hodges; J. B. Holland, Sup.
 The Rock and Mission, B. H. Trammell.
 Culloden, J. T. Richardson.
 Thomaston, F. G. Hughes.
 Forsyth, W. T. Irvine.
 Forsyth Circuit, E. K. Aiken.
 Senoia, L. M. Lyle.
 Jonesboro, C. S. Owens.
 Hampton, W. H. Speer.

LA GRANGE DISTRICT.

W. R. Foote, P. E.

La Grange, A. C. Thomas.
 West Point, H. M. Quillian.
 West Point Circuit, T. S. Edwards.
 Hogansville, H. R. Davies.
 Grantville, G. W. Yarbrough.
 Rocky Mount Mission, W. R. Kennedy.
 Newnan, W. F. Cook.
 North Coweta Mission, F. G. Golden.
 Turin, G. W. Morgan.
 Franklin, F. R. Smith.
 Palmetto and Fairburn, W. T. Bell.
 Palmetto Circuit, L. H. Green.
 Greenville and Trinity, T. F. Pierce.
 Mountville, J. D. Milton.
 Chipley, J. M. Bowden.
 Pine Mountain Mission, S. S. Cowan.
 Woodbury, A. S. Harris.
 La Grange Female College, H. M. Smith, Professor.

OXFORD DISTRICT.

J. S. Bryan, P. E.

Midway, J. E. Dickey.
 Oxford Circuit, O. C. Simmons, W. A. Candler.
 Conyers Circuit, J. A. Reynolds.
 Newborn, A. C. Cantrell.
 Social Circle, G. W. Duvall.
 Madison, P. M. Ryburn.
 Morgan, M. H. Eakes.
 Rutledge Circuit, W. J. Carlton.
 Shady Dale, A. D. Echols.
 Eatonton, J. L. Moon.
 East Putnam, W. T. Caldwell.
 West Putnam, C. S. Wright.
 Monticello, T. C. Betterton.
 Monticello Circuit, T. R. Kendall, Jr.
 Clinton, G. W. Farr.
 Covington, J. A. Timmerman.
 Conyers, H. J. Adams.
 Lithonia Circuit, J. T. Lowe; one to be supplied by R. A. Eakes.
 Stone Mountain and Clarkston, J. Spier.
 Decatur, J. R. McClesky.
 Emory College, W. A. Candler, President;
 M. Callaway, J. Magath, J. E. Dickey,
 C. C. Jarrell, H. S. Bradley, Professors.

ROME DISTRICT.

J. H. Eakes, P. E.

Rome: First Church, S. R. Belk.
 Second Church, S. H. Dimon.
 Third Church, C. M. Verdel.
 North Rome Circuit, A. H. S. Bugg.
 West Rome, W. L. Singleton.
 Howard Street, A. A. Tilley.
 Silver Creek Circuit, to be supplied by J. N. Crow.
 Cave Springs, W. C. Fox.
 Cedartown, C. C. Carey.
 Cedartown Circuit, J. P. Burgess.
 Rockmart, W. A. Harris.
 Dallas, J. T. Eakes.
 Floyd Springs, G. L. Chastain.

Paulding Mission, J. A. Sprayberry.
 Cartersville, B. P. Allen.
 President Piedmont Institute, E. W. Baling-
 linger.

Transferred.—J. G. Christian, to the

East Columbia Conference, and stationed
 at Spokane Falls; S. P. Wiggins, to the
 East Columbia Conference, and stationed
 at Pendleton, Ore.; J. L. Pattillo, to the
 Florida Conference.

NORTH TEXAS CONFERENCE.

HELD AT DALLAS, TEX., NOVEMBER 24-29, 1897.

BISHOP GRANBERY, *President*; C. I. McWHIRTER, *Secretary*.

QUESTION 1. Who are admitted on trial?

ANSWER. Charles W. Dennis, Robert L. McIntyre, George W. Day, William R. McCarter, John A. Old, William H. Wages, D. H. Aston. 7.

Ques. 2. Who remain on trial? Edwin L. Spurlock, Charles A. Corry, Newton G. Ozment, Atticus Webb, Sterling M. Ownby, Mark P. Hines, R. H. Fields, T. N. Weaks. 8.

Ques. 3. Who are discontinued? None.

Ques. 4. Who are admitted into full connection? E. R. Edwards, J. E. Crutchfield, W. F. Bryan, R. F. Bryant, J. R. Atchley, W. K. Strother, J. W. Tinscher, John E. Roach. 8.

Ques. 5. Who are readmitted? None.

Ques. 6. Who are received by transfer from other Conferences? M. H. Neely, J. B. Wood, from the Denver Conference; I. N. Crutchfield, C. L. Ballard, from the Northwest Texas Conference; S. H. Renfro, from the Missouri Conference; J. R. Roy, from the Louisiana Conference; T. P. Pipkin, from the Indian Mission Conference; L. M. Broyles, from the Holston Conference; T. N. Weaks, from the Memphis Conference; Charles A. Spragins, from the North Mississippi Conference. 10.

Ques. 7. Who are the deacons of one year? J. S. Graves, T. M. Kirk, A. R. Nash, William H. Wright, J. B. Sims, R. G. Mood, D. A. Williams, J. P. Lowery, N. C. Little. 9.

Ques. 8. What traveling preachers are elected deacons? E. R. Edwards, W. F. Bryan. 2.

Ques. 9. What traveling preachers are ordained deacons? Elouard R. Edwards, Winfred F. Bryan. 2.

Ques. 10. What local preachers are elected deacons? David G. Stokey, James W. Carter, Wallace M. Crutchfield, William R. McCarter, Alexander J. Hopper, Walter B. Douglass, Carroll B. Jennings, Wesley B. Martin, Thomas W. Lovell, James S. Ogle, George A. Marvin. 11.

Ques. 11. What local preachers are or-

dained deacons? David G. Stokey, James W. Carter, William R. McCarter, Alexander J. Hopper, Walter B. Douglass, Wesley B. Martin, Thomas W. Lovell, James S. Ogle, George A. Marvin. 9.

Ques. 12. What traveling preachers are elected elders? W. C. Pryor, L. S. Barton, P. G. Huffman, S. P. Pirtle, J. L. Sullivan, W. T. Harris, M. D. Hill, J. R. Smith, William T. Morrow, J. H. Bass. 10.

Ques. 13. What traveling preachers are ordained elders? W. C. Pryor, L. S. Barton, P. G. Huffman, S. P. Pirtle, J. L. Sullivan, W. T. Harris, M. D. Hill, J. R. Smith, William T. Morrow, J. H. Bass. 10.

Ques. 14. What local preachers are elected elders? Benjamin F. Blanton, Edwin L. Spurlock, Atticus Webb. 3.

Ques. 15. What local preachers are ordained elders? Benjamin F. Blanton, Edwin L. Spurlock, Atticus Webb. 3.

Ques. 16. Who are located this year? W. B. Walker, at his own request. 1.

Ques. 17. Who are supernumerary? M. C. Blackburn, J. W. Murphy, William Hay, W. H. Hughes, W. M. Leatherwood. 5.

Ques. 18. Who are superannuated? R. Lane, L. P. Lively, J. W. Chalk, A. H. Brewer, R. G. Rainey, J. L. Angell, J. B. Rabb, W. R. Davis, James McDugald, L. W. Harrison, S. S. Chalk, J. R. Randle, W. L. Clifton, J. H. Hunter, F. B. Carroll, A. R. Sellars, T. L. Miller. 17.

Ques. 19. What preachers have died during the past year? W. P. Read, F. C. Pearson, R. M. Powers, T. E. Sherwood. 4.

WILLIAM POTTER READ, son of John Read and wife, was born in Hardin county, Ky., March 3, 1815. In the year 1835 he made a profession of religion and joined the Methodist Episcopal Church, nine years before the division of the Church. In 1844 he married Miss Mary Ann Neatherland, with whom he lived happily for many years, almost to the close of his very long life. This elect lady died just one year before he did. They

have seven living children, all members of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South; two are in heaven. His oldest son, James Read, is a local preacher in the Methodist Episcopal Church, South. He was baptized in infancy. In 1839 he was licensed to preach and received into the Kentucky Conference, Bishop Morris presiding; ordained deacon by Bishop Warren at Lexington, Ky.; ordained elder by Bishop Janes in 1844, at Bowling Green, Ky. Brother Read was transferred, in 1852, by Bishop Andrew from the Kentucky to the Texas Conference; then from the Texas to the East Texas Conference; and from the East Texas to the Trinity, now the North Texas, Conference. He preached the first sermon that was ever preached by a Southern Methodist preacher in Delta county. This was before any house of worship had been erected or dedicated to the service of God; when society was crude, and divine service more or less in peril from desperate characters. He attended his last service at White Rock on the first Sunday in May, 1896. He was for seven months confined to his bed. His suffering was intense, yet when the preachers visited and held religious service with him, it was a source of great comfort. One time, just before his death, he said: "Religion is better than medicine." No murmur or complaint was ever heard to escape his lips. We would naturally expect to hear words of cheer and shouts of victory from the deathbed of such a true and tried Christian soldier. His presiding elder called to see him some time before his death, and he said: "Brother Rippey, I am disappointed! I had expected, ere this, to have spent some time in heaven. I still remain to suffer, but that is all right." On the night of November 21, 1896, he quietly and peacefully passed from earth to heaven. By the will of God he had served his generation and fell on sleep. His remains were buried at Mt. Carmel cemetery in the presence of a sorrowing family and many friends. Efforts to obtain chronological information as to the charges he served have proved futile. However, he served faithfully the following works in Texas: A charge in Grimes county, under the Rev. R. Alexander, D.D., as his presiding elder; St. Marcos Circuit; Seguin Station; president of Seguin Male and Female College for two years; Lockhart Circuit; Greenville Circuit; Sulphur Bluff Circuit; White Rock Circuit; King's Circuit, it being the last charge served by him. In a conversation years ago concerning his work in Texas he said he had traveled from Red River to the coast, and west as far as it was possible to go. He was here and did the most of his work when it required a heroism that cannot be appreciated by those who now occupy the ground. He was a fearless man. It is hard for us to realize

that, during the ministry of the one just gone to his reward, this fairest and best cultivated part of the world was raided by savages, prowled over by ferocious beasts, dominated by desperadoes; and yet it is history. Brother Read was not a college-bred man. Although his school days were few, yet he was a man of considerable information of a miscellaneous character. His mental vigor was such that, by accretion and absorption, he had a fair store of useful knowledge. He had the happy art of wielding to good account the weapons of his armory. This brother entered the ministry at a time when sectional strife was high. By reference to the names of the presiding bishops when he was admitted into the itinerant ranks, ordained deacon and elder, and when transferred to Texas, we see that his life was begun and spent in historic times, that he was a factor in making history. When this young Kentuckian mounted his wagon and, with his young and brave wife, headed for the Lone Star State, no doubt he felt that he was a man of destiny. Both the star of empire and the triumphal march of the gospel of the Son of God inspired his every movement and action. Brother Read was a good, effective preacher in his day. His style and manner would not have suited the present time. The preaching of the present time would no more have suited his day. He prepared the matter of his sermons by reading the Bible, meditation, and prayer. Much of this was done while on horseback. He did what he could to have sensible matter, and a plenty of it, in his sermons. For their delivery and the hour, he relied implicitly on the power of the Holy Ghost. When his mind and heart were both full, he swept down on his congregations under brush arbors and in schoolhouses with the power of an avalanche. Sinners cried for mercy and Christians rejoiced. The present generation cannot estimate the value of such a life. Men of his time, of his adaptability to the wants of his age, made Texas Methodism and Texas society what they are today. He was truly a man come down to us from a former generation. He belonged to an age and ministerial class that are nearly all gone. We should uncover our heads in the presence of such servants of God. Their names should be uttered with bated breath, and even be held in the most sacred remembrance.

THOMAS EMORY SHERWOOD was born in La Porte county, Ind., May 31, 1835. He was the son of the Rev. Jeremiah and Sarah Sherwood. He came to Texas with his parents when seven years of age and settled in Kaufman county. Converted in October, 1848, he immediately joined the Methodist Episcopal Church, South. He felt a call to the ministry as early as 1851; was licensed to exhort in October, 1857;

licensed to preach October 1, 1867; ordained deacon, by Bishop Marvin, October 22, 1870; elder, by Bishop Kavanaugh, November 2, 1873. Brother Sherwood was admitted on trial into the Trinity, now the North Texas, Conference in the fall of 1871. He served the following charges in the order named: Greenville Circuit, two years; Rockwall Circuit, two years; Sulphur Springs District, two years. He then took a supernumerary relation for two years. Becoming effective, he served Pilot Point Station three years; Jefferson Station, one year; Henrietta Mission, one year; Henrietta and Wichita Falls, one year; Denison Station, two years; Whitesboro Station, two years; Clarksville Station, two years; Brookston Circuit, one year. In the fall of 1892 he was transferred to the Denver Conference, where he served Morrison Memorial, Denver, Col., one year. In the fall of 1893 he transferred back to the North Texas Conference, and served Pottsboro Station for three years. From here he was sent to Dodd City in the fall of 1896; and here he died April 10, 1897. He was happily married to Miss Nannie Lavinia McCreary, of Rockwall county, Tex., October 30, 1856. To them were born four children, one son and three daughters. Two of the girls are in "the better land." Brother Sherwood was educated in the common schools of his day, and was a fair English scholar. His war record is interesting and creditable. He enlisted in the first company organized in Dallas, Tex., and served first as regimental quartermaster; afterwards, quartermaster of his brigade, with rank of lieutenant colonel. Brother Sherwood was a prominent and enthusiastic Mason, and reached the high position of thirty-third degree. Another fact of interest found in his biographical record is that when the city of Dallas, Tex., was incorporated he was elected mayor, thus becoming the first mayor of that goodly city. Brother Sherwood was a man among men, possessing many sterling and noble qualities. He was a good, practical preacher, a faithful pastor, a Christian gentleman. Before entering into the traveling connection, he was the preacher's friend, and his house was the preacher's home. After entering the Conference, he was faithful and true. He lives to-day in the hearts of the hundreds to whom he has ministered and with whom he has labored during the last twenty-six years. He fell asleep in Jesus at Dodd City, Tex., April 10, 1897. He rests from his labors, and his works do follow him.

REUBEN M. POWERS was born in Ladiga, Calhoun county, Ala., April 25, 1840. He was converted under the ministry of his father, the Rev. J. B. Powers, August 9, 1858. He joined the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, August 9, 1858, at a camp

meeting near Blountsville, Ala. He was licensed to preach October, 1860, by the Rev. William Ira Powers. He was admitted on trial into the Mobile Conference at Enterprise, Miss., November 22, 1866, Bishop Wightman presiding. He was ordained deacon November 25, 1868, at Enterprise, Miss., by Bishop Wightman. He was ordained elder December 11, 1870, at Montgomery, Ala., in the Alabama Conference, by Bishop McTyeire. He began his itinerant career in the Mobile Conference November 22, 1866; he fell into the Alabama Conference when it was organized in Montgomery, Ala., in 1870. He transferred to the North Mississippi Conference in 1873, and to the North Texas Conference in 1874. His appointments in Alabama were as follows: Choctaw Corner Circuit, 1866-67; Orrville and Catawba Circuit, 1868; Citronville Circuit, 1869-71; Eutaw Station, 1872-73. His appointment in Mississippi was Starkville, 1874. His appointments in Texas were as follows: Dallas City Mission, 1875; Kaufman Circuit, 1876; Terrell and Wills Point, 1877-78; Terrell District, 1879-81; Dallas District, and then changed to the Terrell District, 1882; Terrell District, 1882-84; Dallas District, 1885-87; Texarkana Station, 1888-91; Bowie District, 1892; Gainesville District, 1893-95; Dallas District, 1896. This is a brief chronological outline of a busy and useful life. Brother Powers had a sweet, clear, and melodious voice, and when at his best he preached with great unction and power—sinners trembled and saints rejoiced. While his preaching was not controversial, it always bristled with a strong scriptural and Methodistic ring, full of the Holy Ghost and fire. He had the happy art of weaving into his sermons anecdotes and incidents which beautifully illustrated the subject in hand, which sometimes provoked a smile and often melted his hearers to tears. He was decidedly social in his disposition. In his pastoral visits he was welcome everywhere. With his wit and pleasantry he always drew the children and young people to him. They never forgot him, and his visits were looked forward to by the children with pleasure. He had just been licensed to preach, and had entered upon his itinerant career as supply, when the civil war began. The fire of patriotism burned in his young breast, and he at once volunteered as private to defend home and fireside, and fought bravely until the flag of the South was furled in defeat. He was painfully wounded in Hood's raid into Tennessee. He was not only true as steel to the cause of the South, but through all the demoralizing influences of that wretched war his fidelity to Christ was unshaken. When the war closed, with nothing left but his honor and his religion, he returned to his native state, and

entered upon the work of the itinerancy, in which he did effective work, with good success, until death. He was naturally a strong man physically, as well as mentally, and had enjoyed almost uninterrupted health until a few years ago, when his health began to show signs of failure. He was strangely sensitive about any reference to his physical disability, and when asked to protest against being sent to an appointment in a malarial part of the Conference, he declared he would go if it killed him. And he believed to the day of his death that the time spent in that region laid the foundation of his ultimate fatal sickness. As a presiding elder and administrator of the law of the Church, which position he occupied for many years, he ranked with the very best. He was well versed in ecclesiastical law, and his interpretation of law was always conscientious and wise. As a cabinet officer he was without a peer. He seemed to know the men and the places to be supplied, and when doubts arose he was often able to suggest the right man for the place and the right place for the man. In counsel with the bishop he came as near having no friends to reward or foes to punish as can be found in poor human nature. He sought to act in that capacity without prejudice or partiality. If there was a preacher between whom and brother Powers there was the least unkindness, that preacher of all others was in the least danger of being injured by any secret act or word of his. His sick room was unlike any other. Instead of the usual silent gloom common to sick and dying beds, when he was free from paroxysms of pain he talked just as pleasantly and as cheerfully as when in the best of health. You were made almost to forget you were with the sick and dying. And why not? He had served God all his life and said he was not afraid to die, and that he believed as firmly as he ever did in the divinity of Jesus Christ, and that these light afflictions, which are but for a moment, work for us a far more exceeding and eternal weight of glory. He was a born financier. Unlike too many of our preachers who spend their salary before they get it, he husbanded the small pittance received from the Church, and without a day lost from the regular work for thirty years he had provided a competency for his good wife who now mourns his departure. Some men measure up well in but one thing, and are almost blank in everything else. Such was not brother Powers. He was an all-round man. He was well up in everything it takes to make a holy, useful, and successful Methodist preacher. He had the love and confidence of his brethren, who honored him more than once by election to the General Conference. He desired no higher honor in life or death than to be a successful minister of Jesus

Christ, and to be buried with the ritual of his Church. Though he is fallen, he fell a victor and conqueror, thanks be to God who giveth us the victory through our Lord Jesus Christ.

FLETCHER CLARKE PEARSON was born March 25, 1831, in Talladega county, Ala.; professed religion and joined the Methodist Church in the tenth year of his age; was licensed to preach in his nineteenth year; was ordained deacon at Memphis, Tenn., November, 1859, by Bishop Andrew; ordained elder in Memphis, Tenn., November 15, 1863, by Bishop Paine. He came to Texas in 1872, and died at the home of his daughter, Mrs. Irene Scales, in West Paris, Tex., July 13, 1897. He was three times married: first to Miss Ellen White, June 25, 1852, by whom he had three children—one son living. This wife of his youth died in 1859. He married Miss Nannie E. Wall, August 22, 1861, by whom he had four children. The second wife died May 21, 1891. He was married to Mrs. Mary W. Hamilton, of Chico, Tex., June 9, 1892; she still survives him. We have but little data of his ministerial work; none while in the Memphis Conference. While in the Northwest Texas Conference he filled, profitably to the Church, the following appointments: Annona Circuit, two years; Cooper Circuit, one year; Honey Grove Circuit, one year; was supernumerary four years; becoming effective, he served Powderly Mission one year; Chico Circuit, one year; Post Oak Circuit, two years. He was superannuated at Bonham, November, 1894, which relation he sustained at the time of his death. In all the relations of life brother Pearson was a true man—met all the obligations of life like the Christian hero he was. He was true to the Church, ready for every good word and work. He served hard fields, with small remuneration in way of money, but uncomplainingly did his work, looking for his reward by and by. He was a man of God; always cheerful and full of faith; was loyal to the Church under all circumstances. When he superannuated he thought he could continue in active work, but willingly yielded to the judgment of his brethren. After his superannuation his home was at Chico, Wise county, Tex., in which section he wrought industriously with his own hands for a support, and did a great deal of preaching. He has left the savor of a good name in all that section of country. Brother Pearson had a clear, ringing experience, and kept close to God. He had been sick since February, and came to Paris a few weeks before his death, hoping to be benefited by the change; but the end was not far. He was perfectly resigned to the will of God. He often spoke of his love for the brethren of the Conference. His sun set in a clear sky. The way grows brighter

as our dear ones continue to go. Thank God, we shall see them in the realm of endless day.

Ques. 20. Are all the preachers blameless in their life and official administration? Their names were called over, one by one, and their characters examined and passed, except that of H. L. Jamieson, who was expelled.

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

Dallas District.

	Mem- bers.	Loc'l Pr's.
Dallas: First Church.....	768	4
Ervay Street.....	216	3
Haskell Avenue.....	162	1
Floyd Street.....	270	3
Trinity.....	340	1
West Dallas Mission.....	117	1
Oak Lawn Station.....	100	1
Oak Cliff Station.....	334	1
Wheatland Circuit.....	195	.....
Lancaster Circuit.....	188	.....
Cedar Hill and Duncanville.....	330	.....
Grand Prairie Mission.....	270	.....
Argyle Circuit.....	540	4
Denton Station.....	436	2
Plano Station.....	318	2
Renner Circuit.....	221	.....
Lewisville.....	308	3
	5,113	26

Terrell District.

Terrell Station.....	440	1
Kaufman Station.....	278	.....
Rockwall Station.....	346	3
Fate Circuit.....	641	2
Cochran and Caruth.....	345	1
Garland Station.....	232	.....
Wylie Circuit.....	547	.....
Mesquite Circuit.....	564	1
Pleasant Mound Circuit.....	406	1
Forney and Allen's Chapel.....	395	1
Chisholm Circuit.....	412	4
Terrell Circuit.....	436	.....
Kemp Circuit.....	302	3
Crandall Mission.....	320	1
	5,714	18

Greenville District.

Greenville: Wesley Station.....	426	3
Kavanaugh Station.....	220	1
Farmersville Station.....	290	2
Weston Circuit.....	506	1
Bethel Circuit.....	537	3
Merritt and Harrell Chapel.....	425	4
Nevada Circuit.....	556	3
McKinney Station.....	304	2
Floyd Circuit.....	444	2
Blue Ridge Circuit.....	306	1
Kingston Circuit.....	365	3
Allen Circuit.....	352	1
Lone Oak Circuit.....	320	1
Anna Mission.....	155	.....
Quinlan Mission.....	210	.....
Neola Mission.....	219	2
	5,695	29

Sulphur Springs District.

Sulphur Springs Station.....	368	2
Reily Springs Mission.....	460	1
Sulphur Bluff Circuit.....	452	4
Mount Vernon Circuit.....	679	1
Commerce Station.....	182	1
Cooper Circuit.....	359	2
Fairlee Circuit.....	785	2

Sulphur Springs District (Continued).

	Mem- bers.	Loc'l Pr's.
Campbell Circuit.....	630	3
Cumby Circuit.....	425	1
Winnboro Station.....	175	1
Como Circuit.....	437	2
Wolfe City Station.....	316	.....
Celeste and Lane.....	416	5
Leonard Circuit.....	285	1
Bailey Circuit.....	463	1
	6,432	27

Paris District.

Paris: Centenary Station.....	455	1
Lamar Avenue.....	234	1
Emberson Circuit.....	437	.....
Roxton Circuit.....	493	1
Blossom and Reno.....	255	2
Marvin Circuit.....	363	1
Rosalie Circuit.....	539	5
Deport Circuit.....	267	.....
Woodland Circuit.....	227	1
Detroit Circuit.....	332	.....
Clarksville Station.....	162	.....
Annona Circuit.....	333	1
White Rock and McKenzie.....	327	.....
Lake Creek Circuit.....	200	3
Maxey Mission.....	217	1
Powderly Mission.....	272	.....
	5,213	17

Bonham District.

Bonham Station.....	565	.....
Bonham Circuit.....	576	2
South Bonham Mission.....	193	.....
Gober Circuit.....	194	3
Dodd and Windom.....	347	.....
Honey Grove Station.....	305	1
Petty Circuit.....	228	1
White Rock Circuit.....	518	2
Ladonia Station.....	358	1
Ben Franklin Circuit.....	364	.....
Brookston Circuit.....	271	2
Randolph Circuit.....	357	4
Trenton and Marvin.....	242	.....
Lannius Circuit.....	244	1
Fannin Circuit.....	405	5
	5,167	22

Sherman District.

Sherman: Travis Street Station.....	594	3
Willow Street Station.....	334	4
Sherman Circuit.....	432	1
Bells Circuit.....	539	4
Van Alstyne Station.....	398	3
Denison Station.....	444	2
Denison and Preston Mission.....	384	4
Pottsboro Circuit.....	274	.....
Gordonsville Mission.....	140	.....
Collinsville Circuit.....	332	5
Whitesboro Station.....	234	2
Whitesboro Circuit.....	346	1
Pilot Grove Circuit.....	373	2
Howe Circuit.....	309	3
Whitewright Station.....	260	3
	5,493	37

Gainesville District.

Gainesville: Denton Street Station.....	352	2
Broadway Station.....	558	3
Nocona Circuit.....	531	1
Pilot Point Station.....	241	1
Woodbine Circuit.....	311	6
Dexter Circuit.....	307	4
Marysville Circuit.....	317	1
Era and Valley View.....	410	1
Rosston Circuit.....	416	1
Bonita and Illinois.....	206	.....
Denton Circuit.....	276	5
Antrey Circuit.....	563	2
Mountain Springs Circuit.....	349	2

Gainesville District (Continued).

	Mem- bers.	Loc'l Pr's.
Greenwood Mission.....	330	1
Belcher Circuit.....	229	1
Dye Monnd Circuit.....	536	1
Spanish Fort Circuit.....	196	2
	5,919	33

Bowie District.

Bowie Station.....	382	1
Decatur Station.....	305	1
Bellevue Circuit.....	368	1
Decatur Circuit.....	402	1
Rhame Mission.....	221	1
Boonesville Circuit.....	446	1
Sunset Circuit.....	943	1
Crafton Circuit.....	944	4
Chico Circuit.....	668	4
Alvord Circuit.....	351	4
Post Oak Circuit.....	490	1
Henrietta Station.....	159	1
Wichita Falls Mission.....	205	1
Iowa Park and Beaver Mission.....	217	2
Holliday Mission.....	150	2
Archer City Mission.....	131	1
Benvanne Mission.....	174	1
Blue Grove Mission.....	196	2
Jacksboro and Gibtown.....	271	1
Bryson and Sult Hill.....	369	2
Boyd Mission.....	207	1
	6,399	25

Recapitulation.

Dallas District.....	5,113	26
Terrell District.....	5,714	18
Greenville District.....	5,695	29
Sulphur Springs District.....	6,432	27
Paris District.....	5,213	17
Bonham District.....	5,167	22
Sherman District.....	5,493	37
Gainesville District.....	5,919	33
Bowie District.....	6,399	25
Total this year.....	51,145	294
Total last year.....	49,984	268
Increase.....	1,161	26
Decrease.....		34

Ques. 22. How many infants have been baptized during the year? 1,123.

Ques. 23. How many adults have been baptized during the year? 2,437.

Ques. 24. What is the number of Epworth Leagues? 187.

Ques. 25. What is the number of Epworth League members? 7,270.

Ques. 26. What is the number of Sunday schools? 358.

Ques. 27. What is the number of Sunday-school teachers? 2,888.

Ques. 28. What is the number of Sunday-school scholars? 24,834.

Ques. 29. What amount is necessary for the superannuated preachers and the widows and orphans of preachers? \$7,002.75.

Ques. 30. What has been collected on the foregoing account? and how has it been applied? \$4,435.84. Applied to claimants.

Ques. 31. What has been contributed for Missions? Foreign Missions, \$7,036.54; Domestic Missions, \$3,775.59. Total, \$10,812.13.

Ques. 32. What has been contributed for Church Extension? \$2,089.89.

Ques. 33. What has been done for the American Bible Society? \$224.70.

Ques. 34. What has been contributed for the support of presiding elders and preachers in charge? Presiding elders, \$11,566.31; preachers in charge, \$73,062.95.

Ques. 35. What has been contributed for the support of bishops? \$1,116.47.

Ques. 36. What is the number of societies, and the number and estimated value of church edifices? Societies, 506; church edifices, 322; value, \$555,170.

Ques. 37. What is the number of pastoral charges, and the number and value of parsonages owned by them? Charges, 146; parsonages, 132; value, \$112,835.

Ques. 38. What is the number and value of district parsonages? Number, 7; value, \$12,050.

Ques. 39. What are the educational statistics? Southwestern University: Officers and teachers, 19; students, 425; value of property, \$100,000. North Texas Female College: Officers and teachers, 22; students, 320; value of property, \$63,000. The Southwestern University is the joint property of the five Texas Annual Conferences.

Ques. 40. Where shall the next session of the Conference be held? Greenville, Tex.

Ques. 41. Where are the preachers stationed this year?

DALLAS DISTRICT.

J. H. McLean, P. E.

Dallas: First Church, G. C. Rankin.

Ervay Street, L. P. Smith.

Haskell Avenue, J. H. Reynolds.

Floyd Street, C. I. McWhirter.

Trinity, C. M. Harless; W. H. Hughes, Sup.

City Missionary, W. F. Clark.

West Dallas, I. S. Smith.

Oak Lawn, L. M. Broyles.

Cochran and Caruth, W. H. Stephenson.

Oak Cliff, T. H. Morris.

Wheatland, I. J. Coppedge.

Lancaster, Charles A. Spragins.

Cedar Hill and Duncanville, L. A. Hanson.

Grand Prairie, C. M. Shuffler.

Argyle, J. R. Atchley.

Denton Station, J. W. Rowlett.

Plano Station, G. S. Sexton.

Lewisville, D. J. Martin.

Southwestern University, J. R. Allen, Professor; C. W. Dennis, Student.

Editor Texas Christian Advocate, T. R. Pierce.

TERRELL DISTRICT.

M. H. Neely, P. E.

Terrell Station, E. H. Casey.

Kaufman Station, W. B. Patterson.

Rockwall Station, C. E. Lamb.

Fate, W. A. Edwards.

Renner, P. A. Edwards.

Garland, D. F. Fuller.

Wylie, W. K. Strother.
 Mesquite, J. B. Minnis.
 Reinhardt, T. B. Norwood.
 Forney, T. J. Beckham.
 Chisholm, D. T. Brown.
 Terrell Circuit, C. C. Davis.
 Kemp, A. R. Nash.
 Crandall, N. C. Little.

GREENVILLE DISTRICT.

I. S. Ashburn, P. E.

Greenville: Wesley, F. A. Rosser.
 Kavanaugh, J. F. Pierce.
 Farmersville, S. A. Ashburn.
 Weston, B. H. Bounds, G. W. Day.
 Bethel, S. W. Miller.
 Merritt, J. B. Adair.
 Nevada and Josephine, J. M. Nichols.
 Princeton, H. M. Pirtle.
 McKinney, J. W. Hill.
 Floyd, C. W. Glanville.
 Blue Ridge, Joel S. Graves.
 Kingston, R. H. Fields.
 Allen, S. L. Ball.
 Quinlan, J. M. Langston.
 Neola, C. A. Corry.
 Lone Oak, J. H. White.
 White Rock, C. L. Ballard.
 Conference Missionary Secretary, I. S.
 Ashburn.

SULPHUR SPRINGS DISTRICT.

C. B. Fladger, P. E.

Sulphur Springs, J. M. Sweeten.
 Reily Springs, B. H. Webster.
 Sulphur Bluff, B. A. Thomasson.
 Mount Vernon, J. W. Clifton.
 Commerce, E. B. Thompson.
 Cooper, J. E. Roach.
 Ben Franklin, L. L. Naugle.
 Fairlie, J. T. Bloodworth.
 Campbell, J. W. Beckham.
 Cumby, W. T. Morrow.
 Winnsboro, O. C. Fontaine.
 Como, J. N. Hunter.
 Wolfe City, N. B. Read.
 Celeste and Lane, M. A. Smith; William
 Hay, Sup.
 Leonard, S. M. Ownby.
 County Line, to be supplied.

PARIS DISTRICT.

W. D. Mountcastle, P. E.

Paris: Centenary, J. A. Black.
 Lamar Avenue, J. J. Clark.
 Emberson, S. Crutchfield.
 Roxton, George H. Adams.
 Blossom and Reno, R. C. Hicks.
 Marvin, R. S. Gorsline.
 Rosalie, W. A. Coppedge.
 Deport, R. N. Brown.
 Woodland, J. P. Rogers.
 Detroit, P. R. Eaglebarger.
 Clarksville, J. M. Peterson.
 Annona, J. L. Sullivan.
 White Rock and McKenzie, W. H. Wright.
 Lake Creek, P. G. Huffman.

Maxey, J. A. Old.
 Powderly, N. G. Ozment.
 Bagwell, R. L. McIntyre.

BONHAM DISTRICT.

I. W. Clark, P. E.

Bonham Station, C. M. Threadgill.
 Bailey, W. B. Bayless.
 Ector, J. B. Gober.
 South Bonham, W. H. Wages.
 Gober, A. H. Hussey.
 Dodd and Windom, Samuel Weaver.
 Honey Grove, J. E. Vinson.
 Petty, W. H. Brown.
 White Rock, Zoro B. Pirtle.
 Ladonia, O. S. Thomas.
 Brookston, J. F. Archer.
 Randolph, J. D. Hudgins.
 Trenton and Marvin, W. J. Bludworth.
 Lannius, W. F. Bryan.
 Fannin, W. R. McCarter.
 Student in Southwestern University, M.
 P. Hines.

SHERMAN DISTRICT.

J. R. Wages, P. E.

Sherman: Travis Street, E. W. Alderson.
 Willow Street, C. H. Govette.
 Sherman Circuit, E. S. Williams.
 Bells, E. L. Spurlock.
 Van Alstyne, A. F. Hendrix.
 Denison Station, J. A. Stafford.
 Denison Mission, M. D. Hill.
 Pottsboro and Preston, I. A. Thomas.
 Gordonville, M. M. Dunn.
 Collinsville, C. B. Carter.
 Whitesboro Station, S. C. Riddle.
 Whitesboro Circuit, I. M. Woodward.
 Pilot Grove, T. J. Minnis.
 Whitewright, J. F. Alderson.
 Howe, A. W. Gibson.
 Gunters, to be supplied.

GAINESVILLE DISTRICT.

J. M. Binkley, P. E.

Gainesville: Denton Street, J. L. Morris.
 Broadway, W. A. Stuckey.
 Nocona, G. F. Boyd.
 Pilot Point, P. L. Smith.
 Dexter and Woodbine, W. M. Robbins, R.
 F. Bryant.
 Marysville, E. G. Roberts.
 Era and Valley View, W. E. Jordan; M.
 C. Blackburn, Sup.
 Rosston, J. R. Smith.
 Bonita and Illinois, S. P. Pirtle.
 Sanger, J. W. Blackburn.
 Aubrey, W. T. Harris.
 Mountain Springs, L. F. Palmer.
 Belcher and Spanish Fort, W. C. Pryor,
 T. N. Weaks.
 St. Jo and Dye Mound, J. C. Weaver.
 Montague, D. A. Williams.
 Henrietta, L. S. Barton.
 Benvanue, J. E. Crutchfield.
 Greenwood, J. W. Tinchler.

BOWIE DISTRICT.

F. O. Miller, P. E.

Bowie Station, J. A. Wyatt; W. M. Leatherwood, Sup.
 Decatur Station, P. C. Archer.
 Bellevue, H. H. Vaughan.
 Decatur Circuit, M. B. Johnston.
 Rhome, J. B. Sims.
 Bridgeport and Boyd, J. P. Lowry.
 Boonsville, H. E. Smith.
 Sunset, S. H. Renfro.
 Crafton, T. M. Kirk.
 Alvord, W. S. May; J. W. Murphy, Sup.
 Post Oak, J. A. Kerr.
 Chico, J. D. Whitehead.
 Wichita Falls, R. G. Mood.
 Iowa Park, I. N. Crutchfield.

Holliday, E. R. Edwards.
 Archer City, Atticus Webb.
 Blue Grove, C. C. Williams.
 Jacksboro and Gibtown, John Moore, D. H. Aston.
 Bryson and Salt Hill, J. R. Roy.

Transferred.—J. H. Bass, to the Indian Mission Conference, and stationed at Lynn Circuit; W. M. P. Rippey, to the Denver Conference, and stationed at St. Paul's, Denver; M. W. Shearer, to the Indian Mission Conference; J. B. Wood, to the Northwest Texas Conference, and stationed at Thurber; T. P. Pipkin, to the West Texas Conference, and stationed at Utopia.

WHITE RIVER CONFERENCE.

HELD AT NEWPORT, ARK., NOVEMBER 24-28, 1897.

BISHOP HENDRIX, *President*; Z. T. BENNETT, *Secretary*.

QUESTION 1. Who are admitted on trial?

ANSWER. J. C. Croft, W. R. McAllister, A. E. Horton, L. L. Castleberry. 4.

Ques. 2. Who remain on trial? W. M. Wilson, E. H. Wallis, W. P. Talkington, K. R. Durham, James T. Seaton, Zebedee D. Lindsey, W. M. Findley, W. W. Gibson. 8.

Ques. 3. Who are discontinued? Drury H. Colquit, J. G. Parker. 2.

Ques. 4. Who are admitted into full connection? Thomas J. Taylor, John W. Harper, George G. Davidson, Herschel V. Johnson, James M. Williams, T. W. Fisackerly. 6.

Ques. 5. Who are readmitted? None.

Ques. 6. Who are received by transfer from other Conferences? A. H. Williams. 1.

Ques. 7. Who are the deacons of one year? W. B. Ricks, Fred Little, W. E. Hall, George Wilkinson, H. E. May, E. N. Bickley, W. C. Toombs, J. B. McDonald, T. A. Bowen. 10.

Ques. 8. What traveling preachers are elected deacons? John W. Harper, George G. Davidson, Thomas J. Taylor, Herschel V. Johnson, James M. Williams. 5.

Ques. 9. What traveling preachers are ordained deacons? John W. Harper, George Davidson, Thomas J. Taylor, James M. Williams. 4.

Ques. 10. What local preachers are elected deacons? Willie M. Wilson, Jasper C. Croft, Walter M. Wayman. 3.

Ques. 11. What local preachers are ordained deacons? W. M. Wilson, Jasper C. Croft, W. M. Wayman, Henry A. Sullivan. 4.

Ques. 12. What traveling preachers are elected elders? A. F. Skinner, J. D. Sibert, J. K. Farris, A. E. Holloway, F. M. Smith. 5.

Ques. 13. What traveling preachers are

ordained elders? A. F. Skinner, J. D. Sibert, J. K. Farris, A. E. Holloway, F. M. Smith. 5.

Ques. 14. What local preachers are elected elders? None.

Ques. 15. What local preachers are ordained elders? None.

Ques. 16. Who are located this year? W. J. Vick. 1.

Ques. 17. Who are supernumerary? W. W. Hendrix. 1.

Ques. 18. Who are superannuated? J. C. Ritter, G. A. Dannelly, J. J. Alexander, J. D. Rutledge, W. R. Foster, Frank Ritter, J. S. Watson, T. J. Settles, R. M. Manly. 9.

Ques. 19. What preachers have died during the year? W. H. Batten. 1.

WILLIAM HENRY BATTEN was born in Henry county, Tenn., September 11, 1853; was converted and joined the Methodist Church, South, in 1872, under the ministry of the Rev. James Richardson, in Decatur county, Tenn. He was married to Mary A. Curtiss, September 12, 1873. From this union there were born nine children, eight of whom preceded the father to the land of rest. Brother Batten was licensed to preach September 17, 1886, by the Quarterly Conference of the Clinton Circuit of the Memphis Conference. In October, 1887, he removed to Missouri and supplied the Clarkton and Malden Charge of the Southwest Missouri Conference, where many were added to the Church under his ministry. In 1888 he served the Poplar Circuit; in 1889 the McDonald Circuit; and in 1890-91, the Gatewood Circuit. In 1895 he transferred to the White River Conference and

was assigned to the Beebe Circuit, where he did a most wonderful work. More than one hundred souls were converted under his ministry during the year. In 1897 he was sent to Mt. Pisgah Circuit. During the year he attended the camp meeting at Beebe, where he received the assurance of the abiding pre-ence of the Lord; or, as he termed it, full salvation. He did not believe in the removal of the Adamic nature through sanctification. He was not an extremist in anything. The year on the Mt. Pisgah Circuit was in many respects a hard one. His health was failing and the demands of the work were too much for his declining strength. Sickness prevented him from holding his protracted meetings. He tried three times to hold one of them, but was unable to do so. After partially regaining his strength he commenced his meeting at New Hope Church, where, after preaching four sermons, he was again taken sick, and on Tuesday returned home. In a few days congestion set in, and after a short time he passed over the last river. To his wife and only child he said, "I am leaving you in the hands of the Lord." He frequently shouted the praises of the Lord. Again he would say, "The whole earth is filled with angels clothed in garments of white"; and then he would clap his hands, saying, "Praise the Lord!" On Sunday September 26, the last day of his earthly life, he opened his eyes, threw up his hands and shouted, "Halleluiah!" and died in a few moments. Thus William H. Batten passed away. He fell at his post. One of our best and purest men has gone. He leaves his wife and one child to mourn their loss. Faithful in life and strong in death, he has left our ranks here to join the ranks of the brethren and loved ones above.

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

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

Batesville District.

	Mem- bers.	Loc'l Pr's.
Batesville Station.....	255	.....
West Batesville Mission.....	173	.....
Sulphur Rock Circuit.....	608	6
Jamestown Circuit.....	291	1
Cedar Grove Circuit.....	267	3
Cushman Circuit.....	269	1
Oil Trough Mission.....	247	2
Melbourne Circuit.....	209	1
La Crosse Circuit.....	177	1
Newburg Circuit.....	470	6
Inka Mission.....	438	3
Mountain View Circuit.....	284	4
Richwood Mission.....	97	.....
Evening Shade Circuit.....	366	2
Salem Circuit.....	250	2
Indian Camp Circuit.....	177	1
Viola Circuit.....	344	3
Calamine Circuit.....	222	1
Ash Flat Circuit.....	290	5
	5,429	43

Helena District.

	Mem- bers.	Loc'l Pr's.
Helena Station.....	170	.....
Forrest City Station.....	185	1
Marianna Station.....	144	.....
Clarendon Station.....	138	.....
Cotton Plant and Howell.....	178	.....
Holly Grove Circuit.....	125	.....
Haynes Circuit.....	209	1
La Grange Circuit.....	210	.....
McCrary and Wynne.....	330	2
Taylor's Creek Circuit.....	386	.....
De View Mission.....	280	2
Brinkley Mission.....	199	2
Wheatley Circuit.....	242	.....
Oak Forest Circuit.....	265	.....
Cypress Ridge.....	210	.....
Turner Mission.....	157	.....
Jericho Mission.....	136	1
L'Anguille Mission.....	83	.....
	3,507	9

Jonesboro District.

	Mem- bers.	Loc'l Pr's.
Jonesboro Station.....	481	2
Nettleton Circuit.....	452	3
Harrisburg Circuit.....	543	1
Vandale Circuit.....	448	2
Marion Circuit.....	342	1
Cotton Belt Mission.....	86	.....
Shiloh Circuit.....	719	1
Gainesville Circuit.....	656	1
Rector Circuit.....	310	.....
Boydsville Circuit.....	294	3
St. Francis Circuit.....	337	.....
Golden Lake Circuit.....	100	.....
Osceola Station.....	94	.....
Osceola Circuit.....	340	.....
Blythesville Circuit.....	719	2
Buffalo Island Circuit.....	233	3
Big Boy Mission.....	152	1
Lorado Circuit.....	549	1
Paragould Station.....	444	.....
Paragould Circuit.....	776	1
Main Shore Mission.....	145	.....
	8,215	22

Newport District.

	Mem- bers.	Loc'l Pr's.
Newport Station.....	204	.....
Walnut Ridge and Pocahontas.....	141	1
Mammoth Spring and Williford.....	163	1
Coming Circuit.....	148	3
Portia Circuit.....	556	1
Tuckerman Circuit.....	415	.....
Black Rock Circuit.....	212	3
Imboden Circuit.....	404	1
Reyno Circuit.....	255	2
Alicia Circuit.....	535	2
Siloam Circuit.....	502	4
Pocahontas Circuit.....	287	3
Walnut Hill Mission.....	135	3
Jacksonport Mission.....	53	.....
Sedgwick Mission.....	64	.....
	4,124	24

Searcy District.

	Mem- bers.	Loc'l Pr's.
Searcy Station.....	395	.....
Angusta Station.....	104	.....
Argenta Station.....	211	1
Anvergne and Weldon.....	185	.....
Beebe and West Point.....	221	.....
Union and Revels.....	206	1
Jacksonville Circuit.....	354	.....
Beebe Circuit.....	428	4
El Paso Circuit.....	431	.....
Mineral Circuit.....	441	2
Mt. Pisgah Circuit.....	444	1
West Searcy Circuit.....	277	1
Stony Point Circuit.....	417	5
Bald Knob Circuit.....	186	1
Ward Mission.....	230	2
	4,560	1

Recapitulation.

	Mem- bers.	Loc'l Pr's.
Batesville District.....	5,429	43
Helena District.....	3,507	9
Jonesboro District.....	8,215	22
Newport District.....	4,124	24
Searcy District.....	4,560	18
Total this year.....	25,835	116
Total last year.....	24,408	135
Increase.....	1,427	.....
Decrease.....	.....	19

Ques. 22. How many infants have been baptized during the year? 622.

Ques. 23. How many adults have been baptized during the year? 1,489.

Ques. 24. What is the number of Epworth Leagues? 45.

Ques. 25. What is the number of Epworth League members? 1,436.

Ques. 26. What is the number of Sunday schools? 265.

Ques. 27. What is the number of Sunday-school teachers? 1,641.

Ques. 28. What is the number of Sunday-school scholars? 12,924.

Ques. 29. What amount is necessary for the superannuated preachers, and the widows and orphans of preachers? \$1,875.

Ques. 30. What has been collected on the foregoing account, and how has it been applied? \$1,160.70. Applied to claimants.

Ques. 31. What has been contributed for missions? Foreign Missions, \$2,095.96; Domestic Missions, \$1,017.72. Total, \$3,113.68.

Ques. 32. What has been contributed for Church Extension? \$323.30.

Ques. 33. What has been done for the American Bible Society? \$177.47.

Ques. 34. What has been contributed for the support of the presiding elders and preachers in charge? Pre-siding elders, \$3,937.65; preachers in charge, \$28,528.67.

Ques. 35. What has been contributed for the support of bishops? \$611.76.

Ques. 36. What is the number of societies, and the number and estimated value of church edifices? Societies, 358; church edifices, 249; value, \$214,137.25.

Ques. 37. What is the number of pastoral charges, and the number and value of parsonages owned by them? Charges, 88; parsonages, 60; value, \$34,657.

Ques. 38. What is the number and value of district parsonages? None.

Ques. 39. What are the educational statistics? Collected, \$355.75.

Ques. 40. Where shall the next session of the Conference be held? Clarendon, Ark.

Ques. 41. Where are the preachers stationed this year?

HELENA DISTRICT.

J. H. Dye, P. E.

Helena Station, J. C. Brown.
La Grange Circuit, F. C. Sterling.

Marianna Station, Z. T. Bennett.
Oak Forest Circuit, S. D. Evans.
Haynes Circuit, W. W. Anderson.
Forrest City Station, A. E. Holloway.
Jericho Mission, to be supplied by J. E. Buchanan.
Taylor's Creek Circuit, K. R. Durham.
Wynne and Vandale, J. B. McDonald.
McCrorry Circuit, N. E. Gardner.
Cotton Plant and Howell, A. M. R. Branson.
Brinkley Circuit, A. C. Graham; one to be supplied by W. W. Hendrix.
Cypress Ridge Circuit, N. W. Warnock.
Clarendon Station, R. C. Morehead.
Holly Grove Circuit, J. K. Farris.
Turner Mission, to be supplied by J. K. Pope.

JONESBORO DISTRICT.

W. C. Davidson, P. E.

Jonesboro Station, Frank Barrett.
Nettleton Circuit, J. W. Watson.
Harrisburg Circuit, E. N. Bickley.
Cherry Valley Circuit, J. W. Williams.
Marion Circuit, H. B. Cox, George G. Davidson.
Golden Lake Circuit, E. H. Wallis.
Osceola Circuit, Fred Little.
Luxoria Circuit, Z. D. Lindsey.
Blythesville Circuit, W. B. Roe.
Shiloh Circuit, John Eid-on.
Lorado Circuit, H. H. Hunt.
Paragould Station, F. A. Jeffett.
Paragould Circuit, W. M. Watson.
Gainesville Circuit, L. C. Craig.
Boydsville Circuit, T. B. Williamson.
Rector Circuit, P. B. Wallis.
St. Francis Circuit, A. C. Griffin.
Buffalo Island Circuit, to be supplied.
Big Boy Circuit, J. T. Seaton.

SEARCY DISTRICT.

S. L. Cochran, P. E.

Searcy Station, M. M. Smith.
West Searcy Circuit, A. H. Williams.
Mt. Pisgah Circuit, H. C. Edmondson.
Beebe and West Point, J. F. Jernigan.
Beebe Circuit, J. F. Armstrong.
Stony Point Circuit, George Wilkinson.
El Paso Circuit, E. M. Davis.
Jacksonville Circuit, W. A. Pendergrass.
Mineral Circuit, R. G. Brittain.
Argenta Station, F. E. Taylor.
Bald Knob Circuit, W. P. Talkington.
Augusta Station, H. T. Gregory.
Auvergne and Weldon, M. B. Umstead.
Union and Revel, A. F. Skinner.

NEWPORT DISTRICT.

J. I. Maynard, P. E.

Newport Station, W. B. Ricks.
Jacksonport Mission, T. W. Fisackerly.
Tuckerman Circuit, J. D. Sibert.
Alicia Circuit, S. F. Brown.
Portia Circuit, H. E. May.

- Walnut Ridge and Coming, J. M. Talking-ton.
 Knoble Circuit, E. N. Pitts.
 Reyno Circuit, J. M. Thrasher.
 Siloam Circuit, J. R. Edwards.
 Pocahontas Circuit, T. A. Brown.
 Walnut Hill Mission, W. M. Findley.
 Black Rock Circuit, W. M. Wilson.
 Smithville Circuit, W. D. Ellis.
 Mammoth Springs and Williford, N. E. Skinner.
 Oil Trough Circuit, J. H. Grissett.
- BATESVILLE DISTRICT.
J. S. Brooke, P. E.
- Batesville Station, S. H. Babcock.
 West Batesville Mission, I. B. Manly.
 Sulphur Rock Circuit, W. Walker.
 Evening Shade and Melbourne, W. C. Toombs.
- La Crosse Circuit, F. R. Noe.
 Evening Shade Circuit, C. L. Castleberry.
 Ash Flat Circuit, W. W. Gibson.
 Calamine Circuit, J. W. Harper.
 Camp Circuit, to be supplied by J. D. Kelley.
 Salem Circuit, W. E. Hall.
 Viola Circuit, one to be supplied by C. H. Newman.
 Iuka Mission, W. R. McAllister.
 Richwood Mission, A. E. Horton.
 Mt. View Circuit, S. W. Register.
 Cedar Grove Mission, T. J. Taylor.
 Jamestown Circuit, W. E. Bishop.
 Cushman Circuit, F. M. Smith.
 Newburg Circuit, one to be supplied by R. G. Bland.
 Secretary Conference Board of Education, J. C. Brown.
 Conference Missionary Secretary, W. B. Ricks.

NORTH ALABAMA CONFERENCE.

HELD AT FLORENCE, ALA., DECEMBER 1-6, 1897.

BISHOP GALLOWAY, *President*; JOHN W. NEWMAN, *Secretary*.

QUESTION 1. Who are admitted on trial?

ANSWER. James W. Johnson, Herndon P. Self, William R. Beal, Wesley D. Parrish, Charles C. Godby, William R. Eddins, James A. Dosier, Lee P. Hunkapillar, James C. Francis. 9.

Ques. 2. Who remain on trial? F. F. Osborne, Robert Wilson, T. K. Roberts, G. M. Hall, R. T. Tyler, W. B. Woodall, J. C. Craig, H. E. Wheeler, J. A. J. Brock, C. Carlton, J. F. Clark, G. T. Harris, J. S. Chadwick. 13.

Ques. 3. Who are discontinued? H. L. Harget. 1.

Ques. 4. Who are admitted into full connection? P. L. Abernathy, W. R. Hendrix, W. B. Hope, W. E. Morris, A. M. Yoe, R. L. Crump, J. R. Fullerton, W. P. McGlawn. 8.

Ques. 5. Who are readmitted? None.

Ques. 6. Who are received by transfer from other Conferences? R. K. Roberts, W. E. H. Mabry, W. P. Blevins. 3.

Ques. 7. Who are the deacons of one year? L. C. Sims, C. W. Seale, G. H. Hall, O. N. Holmes, J. O. Hanes, G. C. Harris, S. J. Parrish, W. T. Daniel, S. B. Johnston, O. L. Millican, G. W. Alley, J. F. Rudisil, W. P. McDonald. 13.

Ques. 8. What traveling preachers are elected deacons? P. L. Abernathy, W. B. Hope, W. R. Hendrix, A. M. Yoe, W. E. Morris. 5.

Ques. 9. What traveling preachers are ordained deacons? Walter P. McGlawn, William E. Morris, Alford M. Yoe, William R. Hendrix, William B. Hope, Paul L. Abernathy. 6.

Ques. 10. What local preachers are elected deacons? E. W. Buttram, J. A. Dosier, M. C. Rivers, F. M. Otts, W. R. Henry, H. F. Crim, J. M. McCleskey. 7.

Ques. 11. What local preachers are ordained deacons? E. W. Buttram, J. A. Dosier, M. C. Rivers, F. M. Otts, W. R. Henry, H. F. Crim, J. M. McCleskey. 7.

Ques. 12. What traveling preachers are elected elders? John R. Turner, William L. Hendricks, Felix A. Vann, Ira F. Hawkins, Eugene H. Hawkins, Theo. Copeland, James W. Bradford, Edward L. Brown. 8.

Ques. 13. What traveling preachers are ordained elders? John R. Turner, William L. Hendricks, F. A. Vann, I. F. Hawkins, E. H. Hawkins, Theo. Copeland, J. W. Bradford, E. L. Brown. 8.

Ques. 14. What local preachers are elected elders? Derrell Harrison. 1.

Ques. 15. What local preachers are ordained elders? Derrell Harrison. 1.

Ques. 16. Who are located this year? J. B. Andrews, W. M. Wade, M. J. Williams. 3.

Ques. 17. Who are supernumerary? H. L. Boothe, J. N. Dupree. 2.

Ques. 18. Who are superannuated? C.

Godby, W. C. Hearn, W. Williams, G. J. Mason, J. S. Marks, J. G. Walker, J. S. Davis, E. F. S. Roberts, R. J. Wilson, M. E. Johnston, P. P. Riley, R. A. Speer. 12.

Ques. 19. What preachers have died during the year? James L. Coleman, Evan Nicholson, Warren D. Nicholson. 3.

JAMES L. COLEMAN died at Athens, Ala., January 22, 1897, aged sixty-seven years. He was the son of the late Judge Daniel Coleman, who lived and died in North Alabama, a man of legal learning and a jurist of marked ability, and above all an upright, perfect man, after the pattern of a Bible Christian. In this last particular the son was the successor of his father. He was educated at La Grange College, on the mountain near Leighton, a Methodist school. While there he was engaged one day in wrestling with a fellow-student as a matter of pleasantry, when he fell and permanently injured his knee joint, which lamed him for life and resulted, some years ago, in the amputation of his leg. After graduating at La Grange, he attended the Medical College of Kentucky at Louisville, and took the degree of M.D. He was well educated in literature and medicine, and at the time of entering the itinerant ministry of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, was heir to much wealth and had the promise of great usefulness and success in secular pursuits. He counted all things but loss, if he could do good in the Master's vineyard, and in 1853 joined the Tennessee Annual Conference, and traveled circuits and districts, and filled stations until physical infirmities a few years since forced him to take a superannuated relation, which he held to the North Alabama Conference when he died. In 1857 he married Miss Kate Lester, of Giles county, Tenn., who still lives. Like her husband, she descended from a noble ancestry, and was educated, pious, and wealthy. In all their married life she honored her husband, adorned his home, and made his life one of sunshine and happiness. Dr. Coleman was a faithful and conscientious preacher and pastor. His sermons did not abound in the tinselery of rhetoric or the beauty of metaphor, nor was he, in the general meaning of the phrase, an attractive pulpit orator, but they were closely studied and well arranged and comprehensive and convincing. He furnished his hearers with something to think about afterwards. They were profound and scriptural, and if published in a book would read well. He was a pure-minded man, and kept himself unspotted from the world. His words were chaste and correct, his manners plain and impressive, his habits modest and discreet. Wherever he preached he left a good name, and is affectionately remembered by all. He was pastor in Decatur in 1880-81; after that he was presiding

elder on the Tuscaloosa and Huntsville districts. During his career as an itinerant preacher no complaint on account of unfaithfulness, neglect of duty, administration of Church law, or immorality was ever lodged against him. He went in and out before us as one of stainless character and upright life. He was a man of faith, prayer, charity, and good deeds. He was not perfect here, but beyond the reach of afflictions and conflicts of this life, where we trust he lives, he is perfect physically, mentally, morally, in the image of God.

WARREN DAVIS NICHOLSON, son of William R. and Jane Nicholson, was born in Pickens District, S. C., April 21, 1828. In early life he was converted and joined the Methodist Church. He was married to Miss Julia A. Graham, December 24, 1850. Of this union six children were born, four of whom preceded the parents to the grave. Mrs. Nicholson departed this life September 10, 1886. Brother Nicholson was again married August 14, 1888, to Miss Cary Caroliæ Burgess, of Scottsboro, Ala. By his second wife three children were born, all of whom preceded the father to heaven. Brother Nicholson was licensed to preach by the Quarterly Conference of Lebanon Circuit, at Van Buren, Ala., July 24, 1852. He was admitted on trial into the Alabama Conference the same year. He was ordained a deacon by Bishop Andrew in 1854, and was ordained an elder by Bishop Kavanaugh in 1859. He served the following charges: 1853, Sand Mountain Mission; 1854, Tuscaloosa Circuit; 1856, Town Creek Circuit; 1857, Lookout Mountain Mission; 1858, Ashville Circuit; 1860, Lebanon Circuit; 1868, Wedowee Circuit; 1869-70, Wedowee Circuit, in connection with Fredonia Circuit; 1871-74, Pinckneyville Circuit; 1875, Scottsboro Circuit; 1878, Pinckneyville Circuit; 1879, Valley Station; 1882, De Kalb Mission; 1883-84, South Hill Circuit; 1885-86, Danville Circuit; 1887-88, Bellefonte Circuit; 1889, Ashville Circuit. During the years 1861-65 he had no regular charge, on account of the war; and during the years 1855, 1859, 1876-77, 1880-81, he had no regular charge on account of ill health. In the fall of 1889 he was superannuated. He then made his home at Langston, Ala., where he lived until two years ago, when he removed to Dawson, Ala., in the hope of improving his health by the change. He had been a great sufferer in the body for five years previous to his death, which occurred July 28, 1897, during which time he showed great patience and faith. Brother Nicholson was a man of genial spirit and of affable manners. Modest and sincere, he was loved and esteemed by a large circle of personal friends. As a preacher he was clear, convincing, and orthodox. During the days of his early ministry his preaching was with much power. The

multitudes were swayed by him, and many souls were saved under his ministry. Brother Nicholson served his day and generation well. He was a faithful and patient toiler in the kingdom of his Lord. Many there are throughout North Alabama who will hold his name in tender remembrance for the spiritual help he gave them. A good, true man has gone from among us. Out of abundant labor he has gone to enjoy an abundant entrance into the joys and reward of his Master.

EVAN NICHOLSON was born in Monroe county, Tenn., May 12, 1832, and died at his home near Elyton, Ala., February 15, 1897. The family from which he sprang was a large one, numbering fifteen in all, five of whom were itinerant preachers. His father's house was a model Christian home, redolent with the fervid piety characteristic of the Methodist Church in that time of spiritual power. In his boyhood his father removed to Alabama, and in September, 1848, Evan joined the Church at Van Buren Camp Ground, De Kalb county. At the same place, in September, 1849, he was converted, the Spirit testifying with his spirit that he was indeed a new creature in Jesus Christ. He remembered the exact spot, hour, and minute of this blessed experience, and in the after years, when making the pilgrimage to the old home, he would there kneel in prayer and adoration to Him who had saved him and made him a partaker of immortal hopes here and gave him an expectation of eternal blessedness by and by. He was licensed to exhort November, 1853, and to preach May 24, 1855; was employed as junior preacher on Sand Mountain Mission for the year 1855, and in December of that year was admitted on trial into the Alabama Conference. He was now fairly launched upon his life's work, serving the following churches from year to year, as set forth in his private diary: 1856, Scottsboro Circuit; 1857, New Lexington Circuit; 1858, Jasper Circuit; 1859, New Lebanon Circuit; 1860, Warrior Mission; 1861, Talladega Circuit; 1862-63, New Lexington Circuit; 1864-65, Orrville Circuit; owing to affliction he was supernumerary in 1866; 1867-68, Jasper Circuit; 1869, Jonesboro Circuit; 1870-71, Northport Circuit; 1872-73, Yorkville Circuit; 1874-75, Tuscaloosa Circuit; 1876-78, Jonesboro Circuit; 1879, Leighton Circuit; 1880-81, Limestone Circuit; 1882-84, Elyton and Helena; 1885, Birmingham Circuit; 1886, Elyton and Oxmoor. From this time till his death he served as chaplain to the state convicts. He was ordained deacon December 6, 1857, by Bishop Soule, and on December 4, 1859, was ordained elder by Bishop Kavanaugh. During the thirty-two years of his life devoted to pastoral work he traveled, mainly by private conveyance, 57,995 miles, witnessed 1,978 con-

versions, and received 2,350 persons into the Church. Our brother was twice married, the first time December 22, 1857, to Miss Martha A. Winn. This union was blessed with five children, four of whom survive him. He was married the second time November 1, 1874, to Miss E. A. Murdock, of Tuscaloosa county, who survives him. It is difficult to speak of our dear brother as a child, man, or Christian minister without seeming fulsomeness of panegyric. As a son he was as near faultless as seems possible to frail humanity, having rendered all filial obedience to his father and mother in such a perfect manner that neither could recall a single instance to the contrary to be forgiven. As a man, citizen, husband, and father, he adorned the commonwealth in which he lived, and centered within himself the most beautiful Christian graces of a home in which love presided and from which the holiest influences radiated. The sunshine of his nature, the amiability and benignity of his heart and soul, coupled with his fervent piety, scattered many a ray of gladness, joy, and hope along the pathway of numerous pilgrims seeking the eternal city of God. But it is his work as an itinerant preacher that will stand the test of time and the disclosures of the final judgment. He loved to preach; it seemed to be "his vital breath, his native air." As an expounder of the great doctrines of the atonement, justification, regeneration, the leading parables of our Lord, he had few equals. His manner in the pulpit was impressive. In person he was handsome, graceful; his voice, soft, flute-like in its cadences, was winning, persuasive. The last ten years of his life were devoted to the outcasts in the penitentiary and criminal stockades and camps of the state. To these he preached and ministered with all the zeal and fidelity of a heart aglow with love to fallen men. No doubt many, through the message delivered by their beloved chaplain, and through the religious literature collected by his assiduity from all sources, received the light of salvation from Him who "proclaims liberty to the captives, the opening of prison doors to them which are bound." Brother Nicholson's health failed suddenly March, 1896. He preached his last sermon with unusual liberty and unction the fourth Sunday of that month to the inmates of the penitentiary at Wetumpka. From that time till the day of his death he was confined to his room and bed the greater part of the time. In the midst of all his suffering he was submissive, hopeful, believing all the time that he would finally recover. A twofold reason inspired this desire and belief—to care for his loved ones, and to continue to preach the gospel to dying men. Never for a moment though did he doubt but that an abundant entrance would be ministered unto him.

He said there would be no gate ajar, but one wide open through which he would sweep into the realms of fadeless glory. The dying scene was typical, picturesque: his eyes fixed upon the faces of loved ones here, and his hands raised as if he would catch the pinions of angel messengers unseen, but present, to bear his soul away. The day of his burial was bright, balmy, beautiful. The premonitions of coming spring were seen in the swelling bud and heard in the first notes of singing birds. It was an ideal day, typical of the serenity and sunshine of our dear brother's life. The songs that he specially loved and requested to be used at his funeral were sung. From the church at Elyton, which he had built, and at whose altars he had so often ministered, his body was borne to its final resting place. All felt that one more soldier of the cross had finished his course, had obtained his crown.

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

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

Birmingham District.

	Mem- bers.	Loc'l Pr's.
Birmingham: First Church.....	1,185	.....
St. John.....	491	1
Wesley Chapel.....	350	2
Twenty-first Avenue.....	199	.....
St. Paul.....	275	3
Birmingham Mission.....	301	2
Birmingham Circuit.....	313	.....
Elyton.....	195	1
Avondale.....	278	.....
Woodlawn.....	332	4
East Lake.....	236	2
Pratt City.....	364	3
Bessemer Station.....	329	1
Bessemer Mission.....	148	2
Leed's Mission.....	237	3
Coketown Circuit.....	676	4
Wylam Mission.....	148	2
Sunnyside Circuit.....	396	3
Jonesboro Circuit.....	480	1
	6,933	34

Decatur District.

	Mem- bers.	Loc'l Pr's.
Decatur Station.....	452	1
New Decatur Mission.....	245	1
Elkmont Circuit.....	381	1
Westmoreland Circuit.....	332	3
Athens Station.....	220	1
Athens Circuit.....	448	2
Trinity and Hillsboro.....	208	2
Courtland Station.....	95	.....
Town Creek Circuit.....	179	.....
Moulton Circuit.....	212	2
Chapel Hill Circuit.....	465	3
Hartselle Circuit.....	411	3
Somerville Circuit.....	453	1
Danville Circuit.....	480	4
Falkville Circuit.....	422	4
Cullman Station.....	159	1
Union Hill Circuit.....	288	5
Cambridge Circuit.....	308	1
	5,812	35

Florence District.

	Mem- bers.	Loc'l Pr's.
Florence Station.....	520	3
St. James Mission.....	221	1
Tuscumbia Station.....	388	1
Russellville Station.....	249	1
Sheffield Station.....	174	.....
Cherokee Station.....	166	1
Waterloo and Riverton.....	228	2
Cloverdale Circuit.....	263	1
Pleasant Site Circuit.....	310	1
Leighton Station.....	184	1
Leighton Circuit.....	281	.....
Newberg Circuit.....	380	1
Oakland Circuit.....	488	3
Center Star Station.....	120	.....
Rogersville Circuit.....	273	2
Green Hill Circuit.....	143	1
Colbert Circuit.....	255	2
State Line Mission.....	172	.....
	4,665	21

Gadsden District.

	Mem- bers.	Loc'l Pr's.
Gadsden Station.....	358	5
McTycire Memorial.....	155	.....
Gadsden Circuit.....	346	.....
Hoke's Bluff Circuit.....	418	4
Ohatchee Circuit.....	202	2
Piedmont and Spring Garden.....	300	1
Spring Garden Circuit.....	464	5
Center Circuit.....	413	.....
Gaylesville Circuit.....	390	.....
Spring Creek Circuit.....	371	1
Lookout Mountain Mission.....	330	4
Fort Payne and Valley Head.....	390	3
De Kalb Mission.....	286	3
Collinsville Circuit.....	443	1
Attalla Station.....	204	1
Attalla Circuit.....	379	.....
Black Creek Mission.....	106	2
Ashville Circuit.....	369	1
Springville Station.....	130	.....
Springville Mission.....	351	2
	6,405	35

Guntersville District.

	Mem- bers.	Loc'l Pr's.
Guntersville Station.....	92	.....
Blountsville and Hanceville.....	297	3
Warrior and Blount Springs.....	281	3
Albertville and Boaz.....	219	3
Albertville Circuit.....	360	1
Walnut Grove Circuit.....	435	3
Oneonta Circuit.....	332	4
Mt. Pinson and Remlap.....	326	2
Morris Circuit.....	436	11
Arkadelphia Circuit.....	361	5
Cleveland Circuit.....	548	4
Balyleton Circuit.....	356	4
Summit Circuit.....	422	1
South Hill Circuit.....	766	3
Langston Circuit.....	226	2
Columbus City Circuit.....	255	1
Warrenton Mission.....	370	2
	6,112	52

Huntsville District.

	Mem- bers.	Loc'l Pr's.
Huntsville and Mission.....	770	1
Rison Chapel.....	148	.....
Madison Station.....	185	1
Triana Circuit.....	208	.....
New Market Circuit.....	436	2
Meridianville Circuit.....	480	1
Sharp's Mountain Mission.....	138	.....
Gurley Circuit.....	405	3
Vienna Circuit.....	620	4
Paint Rock Circuit.....	195	2
Larkinsville Circuit.....	364	2
Scottsboro and Stevenson.....	245	1
Stevenson Circuit.....	276	3
Bridgeport Station.....	267	3
Fabius Circuit.....	387	4
	5,124	27

Jasper District.

	Mem- bers.	Loc'l Pr's.
Jasper Station.....	250	.....
Coalburg Circuit.....	223	2
Oakman and Corona.....	240	1
Fayette Station.....	214	.....
Fayette Circuit.....	420	2
Luxapalila Circuit.....	531	4
Fern Bank Circuit.....	493	4
Vernon Circuit.....	605	3
Sulligent and Gnin Circuit.....	258	3
Detroit Circuit.....	512	6
Hamilton Circuit.....	512	2
Beaver Creek Circuit.....	365	2
Carbon Hill Circuit.....	438	2
Gamble Mines Mission.....	236	9
Patton Circuit.....	244	4
Bear Creek Circuit.....	317	3
Double Springs Mission.....	142	3
Wilmington Mission.....	202	1
	6,302	51

La Fayette District.

La Fayette Station.....	258	.....
Dadeville and Alexander City.....	368	1
Camp Hill Circuit.....	368	1
Oak Bovey Circuit.....	509	.....
Langdale Mission.....	320	.....
Fredonia Circuit.....	460	4
Roanoke and Lane's.....	440	3
Roanoke Circuit.....	669	3
Wedowee Circuit.....	392	4
Lineville Circuit.....	430	3
Millersville Circuit.....	449	3
Hollins Mission.....	313	2
Goodwater Circuit.....	521	2
Hackneyville Circuit.....	547	2
Rockford Circuit.....	431	1
Daviston Circuit.....	464	3
Penton Circuit.....	528	1
Lecta Circuit.....	320	5
	7,796	38

Talladega District.

Talladega Station.....	376	.....
Talladega Circuit.....	283	.....
Plantersville Circuit.....	603	2
Sylacanga Circuit.....	386	3
Columbiana Circuit.....	452	3
Wilsonville Circuit.....	453	2
Harpersville Circuit.....	480	1
Coosa Valley Circuit.....	442	1
Anniston Station.....	409	2
West Anniston Mission.....	219	1
Glen Addie and Oxanna.....	127	.....
Oxford Station.....	173	.....
Heflin Circuit.....	307	2
Jacksonville and White Plains.....	315	1
Alexandria Circuit.....	410	4
Munford Circuit.....	526	4
Fayetteville Circuit.....	179	.....
	6,141	26

Tuscaloosa District.

Tuscaloosa Station.....	402	2
Blount Station.....	311	.....
Calera and Helena.....	355	1
Montevallo Circuit.....	296	.....
Pelham Circuit.....	551	2
Cottondale Circuit.....	362	1
Woodstock Circuit.....	276	2
Brookwood Station.....	220	.....
Northport Station.....	187	1
Northport Circuit.....	391	1
Gordo Circuit.....	454	1
Carrollton Circuit.....	473	2
Millport Circuit.....	564	1
Kennedy Circuit.....	366	3
Berry Circuit.....	351	1
North River Mission.....	250	5
Adger Mission.....	98	2
Gurnee Mission.....	200	1
Sipsey Mission.....	351	.....
	6,413	26

Recapitulation.

	Mem- bers.	Loc'l Pr's.
Birmingham District.....	6,933	34
Decatur District.....	5,812	35
Florence District.....	4,665	21
Gadsden District.....	6,405	35
Guntersville District.....	6,112	52
Huntsville District.....	5,124	27
Jasper District.....	6,302	51
La Fayette District.....	7,796	38
Talladega District.....	6,141	26
Tuscaloosa District.....	6,413	26
Total this year.....	51,713	345
Total last year.....	0,990	368
Increase.....	713	.....
Decrease.....		23

Ques. 22. How many infants have been baptized during the year? 1,001.

Ques. 23. How many adults have been baptized during the year? 2,653.

Ques. 24. What is the number of Epworth Leagues? 111.

Ques. 25. What is the number of Epworth League members? 3,781.

Ques. 26. What is the number of Sunday schools? 630.

Ques. 27. What is the number of Sunday-school teachers? 3,831.

Ques. 28. What is the number of Sunday-school scholars? 34,954.

Ques. 29. What amount is necessary for the superannuated preachers and the widows and orphans of preachers? \$6,600.

Ques. 30. What has been collected on the foregoing account? and how has it been applied? \$4,326.88. Applied to claimants.

Ques. 31. What has been contributed for Missions? Foreign Missions, \$8,186.73; Domestic Missions, \$4,154.21. Total, \$12,340.94.

Ques. 32. What has been contributed for Church Extension? \$2,026.10.

Ques. 33. What has been done for the American Bible Society? \$378.01.

Ques. 34. What has been contributed for the support of presiding elders and preachers in charge? Presiding elders, \$11,712; preachers in charge, \$70,693.90.

Ques. 35. What has been contributed for the support of bishops? \$1,402.18.

Ques. 36. What is the number of societies, and the number and estimated value of church edifices? Societies, 798; church edifices, 671; value, \$650,487.75.

Ques. 37. What is the number of pastoral charges, and the number and value of parsonages owned by them? Charges, 180; parsonages, 138; value, \$139,720.

Ques. 38. What is the number and value of district parsonages? Number, 10; value, \$25,000.

Ques. 39. What are the educational statistics? Institutions, 6; officers and teachers, 41; students, 748; value of property, \$175,300; endowment, \$50,000; collected, \$1,722.82.

Ques. 40. Where shall the next session of the Conference be held? Huntsville, Ala.

Ques. 41. Where are the preachers stationed this year?

BIRMINGHAM DISTRICT.

J. W. Newman, P. E.

Birmingham: First Church, G. C. Kelly.
 St. John, H. G. Davis.
 Wesley Chapel, F. P. Culver.
 Twenty-first Avenue, G. W. Read.
 St. Paul, W. L. Hendrix.
 Elyton and Westland, Z. A. Dowling.
 Avondale, J. D. Ellis.
 Woodlawn, F. W. Brandon.
 East Lake, E. H. Hawkins.
 Birmingham Circuit, J. W. Bradford.
 Birmingham Mission, J. W. Cary.
 Leeds Mission, T. O. Jones.
 Pratt City, H. S. Hamilton.
 Pratt City Circuit, H. P. Berry.
 Wylam Mission, S. J. Parrish.
 Sunnyside Circuit, J. W. Akin.
 Bessemer Station, G. L. Jenkins.
 Bessemer Circuit, R. T. Tyler.
 Jonesboro and Brighton, S. V. Blythe.
 Professor in Southern University, E. L. Brown.
 Agent Orphans' Home, T. G. Slaughter.
 Agent New College, T. K. Tierce.
 Conference Colporteur, J. L. Ferguson.
 Assistant Editor Alabama Christian Advocate, S. P. West.

DECATUR DISTRICT.

Anson West, P. E.

Decatur Station, J. G. Gregory.
 New Decatur, I. F. Hawkins.
 Athens Station, J. T. Morris.
 Athens Circuit, G. W. Hamilton.
 Cambridge Circuit, James W. Johnson.
 Elkmont Circuit, G. M. Hall.
 Westmoreland Circuit, J. C. Prince.
 Trinity Station, M. N. Morris.
 Hillsboro Circuit, W. B. Woodall.
 Courtland Station, D. A. Burns.
 Town Creek Circuit, N. H. Olmstead.
 Moulton Circuit, to be supplied by D. S. McGlawn.
 Danville Circuit, C. W. Seale.
 Union Hill Circuit, to be supplied.
 Cullman Station, W. E. Morris.
 Falkville Circuit, M. R. Smith.
 Hartselle Circuit, R. A. Thompson.
 Somerville Circuit, G. L. Crow.
 President Athens Female College, Z. A. Parker.

FLORENCE DISTRICT.

H. C. Howard, P. E.

Florence: First Church, W. T. Andrews.
 St. James Mission, David Leith.
 Tusculumbia Station, W. F. Andrews.
 Russellville Station, J. L. Brittain.
 Cloverdale Circuit, W. L. Rice.
 Pleasant Site Circuit, A. J. Chappell.
 Leighton Station, Theo. Copeland.
 Spring Valley and Shady Grove, W. A. Montgomery.

Waterloo and Riverton, W. F. Standford.
 Newburg Circuit, F. F. Osborne.
 Oakland Circuit, S. B. Smith.
 Center Star Station, W. P. Blevins.
 Rogersville Circuit, C. Carlton.
 Green Hill Circuit, to be supplied by William Walker.
 Sheffield Station, J. R. Turner.
 Cherokee Station, T. W. Hays.
 Colbert Circuit, J. T. Lane.
 State Line Mission, to be supplied by G. M. Randle.

GADSDEN DISTRICT.

J. H. Leslie, P. E.

Gadsden Station, J. S. Robertson.
 Gadsden Mission, R. Nicholson.
 Black Creek Mission, to be supplied by L. M. Harris.
 Gadsden Circuit, O. L. Millican.
 Hoke's Bluff Circuit, M. M. Blaese.
 Ohatchee Circuit, W. P. McGlawn.
 Piedmont and Spring Garden, I. Q. Melton.
 Piedmont Circuit, R. L. Crump.
 Center Circuit, F. H. Gardner.
 Gaylesville Circuit, T. A. Kerr.
 Spring Creek Circuit, to be supplied by R. L. Wilson.
 Lookout Mountain Mission, to be supplied by R. Howell.
 Fort Payne and Valley Head, P. K. Brindley.
 De Kalb Mission, J. T. Millican.
 Collinsville Circuit, S. R. Lester.
 Attalla Station, E. M. Glenn.
 Attalla Circuit, J. F. Clark.
 Ashville Circuit, E. W. Jones.
 Springville Station, M. E. Butt.
 Springville Mission, to be supplied by W. Williams.

GUNTERSVILLE DISTRICT.

J. S. Glasgow, P. E.

Guntersville Station, L. A. Holmes.
 Blountsville and Hanceville, D. W. Ward.
 Warrior and Blount Springs, D. L. Parrish.
 Albertville and Boaz, W. E. H. Mabry.
 Albertville Circuit, to be supplied.
 Wynnville Circuit, to be supplied by J. B. Culpepper.
 Oneonta Circuit, G. L. Hewitt.
 Village Springs Circuit, C. M. Hensley.
 Morris Circuit, W. F. Barnes.
 Arkadelphia Circuit, J. F. Rudisil.
 Cleveland Circuit, J. M. Igou.
 Baileyton Circuit, D. T. Dye.
 Summit Circuit, H. P. Self.
 South Hill Circuit, L. C. Sims.
 Langston Mission, W. D. Parrish.
 Columbus City Circuit, to be supplied by W. M. Yarbrough.
 Cottonville Mission, to be supplied.
 Warrenton Mission, to be supplied by J. C. Hunkapillar.
 Oleander Mission, W. R. Beal.

HUNTSVILLE DISTRICT.

L. A. Darsey, P. E.

Huntsville Station, L. C. Branscomb.
 Epworth Chapel, H. E. Wheeler.
 Rison Chapel, J. O. Hanes.
 Madison Station, M. H. Wells.
 Triana Circuit, J. T. Miller.
 Meridianville Circuit, F. K. Hewlett.
 New Market Circuit, W. J. Reid.
 Gurlley Circuit, I. B. Sargent.
 New Hope Circuit, C. C. O'Neal.
 Princeton Circuit, C. C. Godby.
 Larkinsville Circuit, W. P. McDonald.
 Scottsboro and Stevenson, J. W. Shoemaker.
 Stevenson Circuit, J. R. Fullerton.
 Bridgeport Station, T. W. Ragan.
 Fabius Circuit, W. R. Eddins.

JASPER DISTRICT.

R. W. Anderson, P. E.

Jasper Station, J. I. Williams.
 Brookside Circuit, L. J. Braswell.
 Oakman Circuit, J. T. Black.
 Fayette Station, W. K. Simpson.
 Fayette Circuit, C. M. Rice.
 Luxapalila Circuit, to be supplied.
 Fern Bank Circuit, Robert Wilson.
 Vernon Circuit, E. H. Price.
 Sulligent Circuit, Edward Fulmer.
 Detroit Circuit, W. T. Daniel.
 Hamilton Circuit, H. B. Ralls.
 Beaverton Circuit, to be supplied by W. I. Gregory.
 Carbon Hill Circuit, T. B. McCain.
 Gamble Mines Circuit, W. B. Hope.
 Patton Mission, James A. Dosier.
 Bear Creek Circuit, G. W. Alley.
 Double Springs Mission, to be supplied by S. B. Gosey.
 Wilmington Mission, to be supplied by F. M. Otts.
 Winston Mission, to be supplied by Edgar Perkins.

LA FAYETTE DISTRICT.

S. L. Dobbs, P. E.

La Fayette Station, Thomas Armstrong.
 Dadeville and Alexander City, S. R. Emerson.
 Camp Hill Circuit, W. T. Pattillo.
 Oak Bowery Circuit, W. O. Waggener.
 Langdale Mission, W. W. Turner.
 Fredonia Circuit, J. T. Wilkins.
 Roanoke Station, E. B. Norton.
 Roanoke Circuit, J. W. Tucker.
 Wedowee Circuit, G. T. Harris.
 Lineville Circuit, G. E. Driskill.
 Millerville Circuit, J. C. Craig.
 Hollins Mission, L. P. Hunkapillar.

Goodwater Circuit, J. W. Spencer.
 Hackneyville Circuit, E. D. Emerson.
 Rockford Circuit, A. M. Yoe.
 Daviston Circuit, G. G. Smith.
 Penton Circuit, G. W. Hall.
 Lecta Circuit, W. C. Driskill.

TALLADEGA DISTRICT.

S. M. Hosmer, P. E.

Talladega Station, V. O. Hawkins.
 Talladega Circuit, C. L. Herring.
 Munford Circuit, H. S. Matthews.
 Plantersville Circuit, W. E. Foust.
 Sylacuaga Circuit, W. O. Horton.
 Fayetteville Mission, J. S. Chadwick.
 Columbiana Circuit, S. N. Burns.
 Wilsonville Circuit, James C. Francis.
 Harpersville Circuit, T. P. Roberts, T. K. Roberts.
 Coosa Valley Circuit, S. B. Johnston.
 Anniston: First Church, J. F. Sturdivant.
 Anniston Mission, W. R. Hendrix.
 Glen Addie and Oxanna, R. I. Walston.
 Oxford Station, R. A. Timmons.
 Heflin Circuit, R. B. Baird.
 Jacksonville and White Plains, F. T. J. Brandon.
 Alexandria Circuit, Joshua Warren.

TUSCALOOSA DISTRICT.

J. D. Simpson, P. E.

Tuscaloosa Station, J. H. McCoy.
 Blocton Station, L. F. Whitten.
 Calera Circuit, T. M. Wilson.
 Montevallo Circuit, P. L. Abernathy.
 Pelham Circuit, F. A. Vann.
 Cottondale and Mission, W. McD. Howell.
 Hargrove and Woodstock, J. C. Persinger.
 Brookwood Station, G. E. Boyd.
 Northport Station, W. F. Melton.
 Northport Circuit, J. H. Jennings.
 Gordo Circuit, J. W. Cowan.
 Carrollton Circuit, J. W. Norton.
 Millport Circuit, W. F. Herndon.
 Kennedy Circuit, to be supplied by P. A. Doss.
 Berry Circuit, R. M. Archibald.
 Coaling Circuit, O. N. Holmes.
 North River Mission, to be supplied by Robert Echols.
 Adger and Johns, J. J. Crow.
 Gurnee Mission, to be supplied by W. H. Sturdivant.
 Sipsey Mission, to be supplied.
 Conference Missionary Secretary, J. D. Simpson.
 President Tuscaloosa Female College, W. F. Melton.
 Principal District High School, J. A. J. Brock.
 Student in High School, G. C. Harris.

LITTLE ROCK CONFERENCE.

HELD AT PINE BLUFF, ARK., DECEMBER 1-6, 1897.

BISHOP HENDRIX, *President*; J. R. MOORE, *Secretary*.

QUESTION 1. Who are admitted on trial?
ANSWER. James M. Workman, S. Richard Twitty, Francis F. Harrell, David Bolls. 4.

Ques. 2. Who remain on trial? A. M. Shaw, E. A. Townsend, George L. Logan, J. S. Hawkins. 4.

Ques. 3. Who are discontinued? None.

Ques. 4. Who are admitted into full connection? C. J. Green, J. H. Cummins. 2.

Ques. 5. Who are readmitted? None.

Ques. 6. Who are received by transfer from other Conferences? Cadesman Pope, from the Kentucky Conference; J. S. Hawkins, from the Memphis Conference; M. B. Corrigan, from the White River Conference; John Williams, from the Illinois Conference. 4.

Ques. 7. Who are the deacons of one year? J. R. Dickerson, T. O. Owen, J. H. McKelvy, J. D. Dunn, J. A. Parker, W. W. Nelson, W. C. Watson. 7.

Ques. 8. What traveling preachers are elected deacons? John H. Cummins. 1.

Ques. 9. What traveling preachers are ordained deacons? John H. Cummins. 1.

Ques. 10. What local preachers are elected deacons? F. E. Dodson, Richard Spann, F. F. Harrell, John D. Sorrells, Joel M. Dickinson, J. J. Bearden, J. Lewis Cannon, James M. Cannon, George W. Cannon, Thomas H. Crowder. 10.

Ques. 11. What local preachers are ordained deacons? F. E. Dodson, Richard Spann, F. F. Harrell, J. D. Sorrells, J. W. Dickinson, J. J. Bearden, T. H. Crowder. 7.

Ques. 12. What traveling preachers are elected elders? S. W. Rainey, W. P. Whaley, W. W. Christie, L. C. Wozencraft, O. E. Goddard, J. H. Glass. 6.

Ques. 13. What traveling preachers are ordained elders? S. W. Rainey, W. P. Whaley, W. W. Christie, L. C. Wozencraft, O. E. Goddard, J. H. Glass. 6.

Ques. 14. What local preachers are elected elders? None.

Ques. 15. What local preachers are ordained elders? None.

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

Ques. 17. Who are supernumerary? John H. Gold, H. Townsend, S. A. Hill. 3.

Ques. 18. Who are superannuated? A. Hunter, A. Avery, A. B. Winfield, J. E. Caldwell, R. C. Atchley, B. G. Johnson, W. H. Browning, H. R. Withers, J. S. Nicholson, J. H. Blakely, W. J. Scott, J. M. Cline, E. N. Watson, G. W. Matthews. 14.

Ques. 19. What preachers have died during the past year? B. F. Wilson, J. T. Shaw, R. H. Saunders. 3.

BENJAMIN F. WILSON is dead. Last Conference he was with us in all the strength of his imperial manhood and in the early flush of wedded love, with his girl wife with him. Strong in physical strength and robust in intellectual power, none among us gave greater promise of longer life or greater usefulness than did our brother. He was a man of much more than ordinary ability and mental grasp, and his mind was well developed by hard methodical study. Withal he was a man of great personal piety and faith in God. He loved his Lord and had lovingly consecrated all the power of his noble manhood to the upbuilding of Christ's kingdom and the glory of his name. Brother Wilson was born in Cass county, Indiana, June 21, 1864. From there he removed to Missouri, was converted and joined the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, in November, 1885. From there he removed to Arkansas and settled with his parents in Jefferson county, and was licensed to preach in the year 1890 at old Grace Church. In 1892 he traveled Lehi Circuit as supply. In 1893 he was received on trial in the Little Rock Conference. After traveling the time prescribed by the Discipline he was received into full connection at our last Annual Conference, and was reappointed to English Circuit, where he had traveled the year before. Brother Wilson's ministry was eminently successful. He was painstaking in the performance of all the duties incumbent upon a Methodist preacher. He was one of the rising young men of our Conference. He was united in marriage to Miss Zenoah Keadle, November 29, 1896. In the death of our noble young brother we are again reminded of what the Master said: "What I now do thou knowest not, but thou shalt know hereafter."

ROBERT H. SAUNDERS was born in Carter county, Tenn., May 11, 1826. He was baptized in infancy by W. G. Brownlow and brought up in the faith of the gospel. He was a soldier in the Mexican war, and formed associations unfriendly to a religious life; wandered off into sin, but never lost his faith in the truth of God's word. When he was brought into the Church we

cannot say. His was something of a stormy life. More great sorrows came to him than fall to the lot of ordinary men. He was admitted on trial into the Little Rock Conference at the session held in Washington, November 30, 1870, and appointed to Richmond Circuit. There he labored two years, accomplishing a great work. In 1872 he was appointed to Swan Lake Circuit, where he labored four years with wonderful results. He was ordained deacon in 1873 and elder in 1876, and appointed to De Witt Circuit. Here he labored two years with his usual success. In 1878 he was appointed to Arkansas River Circuit. In 1879 he was appointed to South Fork Mission in the Arkadelphia District. Soon afterwards he became violently insane, wandered across the country, and had to be confined. He never recovered his soundness of mind, although there were long periods of calmness and comparative sanity. He died December 9, 1896. He was a grand preacher, an earnest worker, and an eminently useful man.

JOHN TILLMAN SHAW was born in Dover, Pope county, Ark., April 11, 1870. He was the son of Flavius J. Shaw, whose memorial service we held one year ago. He was converted and received into the Church when about twelve years of age. He was licensed to preach in the spring of 1892. He attended Fordyce Training School for a term. In 1894 he supplied Old River Circuit. He was admitted on trial in the Little Rock Conference at Prescott in 1894, and appointed again to Old River Circuit. In 1895 he was appointed to Nathan Circuit, but on account of the lingering and fatal illness of his father he was changed to Humphrey Circuit. In 1896 he was received into full connection and ordained deacon, and appointed to Little Prairie Mission. Here he was stricken with pneumonia, and after a brief illness, April 18, 1897, he breathed his last. In his delirium he was conducting religious service. How short his ministry! Yet how full of promise it was! He left a wife and child sharing the bereavement of the Church.

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

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

Little Rock District (Continued).

	White Mem's.	Colored Mem's.	Loc'l Pr's.
Mabelvale.....	364	.....	1
Manuelle.....	197	.....	1
Oak Hill.....	293	.....	1
Austin.....	550	.....	3
Lonoke.....	184	.....	2
Hickory Plains.....	440	.....	1
Des Arc and Devall's Bluff.....	174	.....	.....
Hazen.....	306	.....	1
Carlisle.....	175	.....	1
Tomberlin.....	168	.....	2
England and Liberty.....	156	.....	.....
Total	4,441	.....	16

Pine Bluff District.

Pine Bluff: First Church.....	483	.....	1
Lakeside.....	143	.....	1
Riverside.....	76	.....	.....
Redfield.....	283	.....	1
Rowell.....	230	.....	.....
Rison.....	430	1	5
New Edinburg.....	311	.....	.....
Kingsland.....	167	.....	1
Sheridan.....	331	.....	1
Sherrill.....	88	.....	.....
Humphrey.....	107	.....	.....
Stuttgart.....	89	.....	.....
Gillett.....	268	.....	.....
Little Prairie.....	161	.....	.....
English.....	46	.....	.....
De Witt.....	130	.....	1
White River.....	279	1	.....
Total	3,622	2	11

Monticello District.

Monticello.....	206	.....	.....
Mt. Pleasant.....	373	.....	.....
Star City.....	378	.....	.....
Tillar.....	269	.....	3
Grady.....	135	.....	.....
Arkansas City.....	53	.....	.....
Carriola.....	106	.....	.....
Bartholomew.....	199	.....	.....
Hamburg and Portland.....	165	.....	1
Hamburg Circuit.....	362	.....	2
Lacey Circuit.....	415	.....	.....
Palestine.....	591	.....	.....
Berea.....	378	.....	2
Warren.....	195	.....	.....
Total	3,822	.....	8

Camden District.

Camden Station.....	232	.....	.....
Camden Circuit.....	345	.....	.....
Ouachita.....	323	.....	3
Stephens and Waldo.....	429	.....	1
Stamps and Buckner.....	201	.....	1
New Lewisville.....	247	.....	1
Genoa.....	434	.....	1
Magnolia.....	270	.....	2
Atlanta.....	365	.....	.....
Lisbon.....	269	.....	.....
El Dorado.....	147	.....	1
Cargile.....	277	.....	.....
Junction City.....	140	.....	.....
Lapile.....	334	.....	3
Hamony Grove.....	59	.....	.....
Bearden.....	306	.....	1
Hampton.....	303	.....	1
Fordyce.....	265	.....	1
Total	4,946	.....	16

Prescott District.

Prescott.....	175	.....	1
Emmett.....	370	.....	2
De Anne.....	345	.....	2
Hope.....	212	.....	1
Washington.....	215	.....	.....
Fulton.....	425	.....	.....
Carolina.....	406	.....	3
Richmond.....	213	.....	1

Little Rock District.

	White Mem's.	Colored Mem's.	Loc'l Pr's.
Little Rock: First Church.....	671	.....	2
Winfield Memorial.....	500	.....	1
Asbury.....	205	.....	.....
Hunter Memorial.....	78	.....	.....

Prescott District (Continued).

	White Mem's.	Colored Mem's.	Loc'l Pr's.
Rocky Comfort.....	388	.....	5
Chapel Hill.....	420	.....	5
Locksburg.....	609	.....	3
Mineral Springs.....	410	.....	3
Center Point.....	468	.....	2
Nashville.....	430	.....	5
Bright Star.....	256	.....	3
	5,342	.....	36

Arkadelphia District.

Arkadelphia.....	337	.....	4
Clark.....	234	.....	1
Gurdon.....	250	.....	1
Okolona.....	432	.....	1
Murfreesboro.....	552	.....	3
Antoine.....	90	.....	1
Social Hill.....	299	.....	4
Malvern.....	225	.....	.....
Benton.....	278	.....	1
Bryant.....	560	.....	1
Alexander.....	285	.....	2
Lono.....	330	.....	2
Princeton.....	398	.....	1
Holly Springs.....	383	.....	2
Dalark.....	358	.....	1
	5,061	.....	25

Hot Springs District.

Hot Springs: Central Avenue.....	317	.....	1
Malvern Hill.....	244	.....	2
South Hot Springs.....	194	.....	.....
Hot Springs Circuit.....	213	.....	2
New Liberty.....	417	.....	2
Oma.....	284	.....	3
Mount Ida.....	249	.....	1
Amity.....	346	.....	4
Saline.....	490	.....	4
Cove and Dallas.....	258	1	2
Cherry Hill.....	347	.....	8
Hatton.....	171	.....	5
Mena.....	55	.....	.....
	3,585	1	34

Recapitulation.

Little Rock District.....	4,441	.....	16
Pine Bluff District.....	3,622	2	11
Monticello District.....	3,822	.....	8
Camden District.....	4,946	.....	16
Prescott District.....	5,342	.....	36
Arkadelphia District.....	5,061	.....	25
Hot Springs District.....	3,585	1	34
Total this year.....	30,819	3	146
Total last year.....	31,236	4	157
Decrease.....	417	1	11

Ques. 22. How many infants have been baptized during the year? 699.

Ques. 23. How many adults have been baptized during the year? 1,170.

Ques. 24. What is the number of Epworth Leagues? 82.

Ques. 25. What is the number of Epworth League members? 2,484.

Ques. 26. What is the number of Sunday schools? 332.

Ques. 27. What is the number of Sunday-school teachers? 1,999.

Ques. 28. What is the number of Sunday-school scholars? 15,861.

Ques. 29. What amount is necessary for the superannuated preachers and the widows and orphans of preachers? \$4,236.

Ques. 30. What has been collected on the

foregoing account? and how has it been applied? \$3,797.01. Applied to claimants.

Ques. 31. What has been contributed for Missions? Foreign Missions, \$4,129.78; Domestic Missions, \$2,725.63. Total, \$6,855.41.

Ques. 32. What has been contributed for Church Extension? \$1,260.12.

Ques. 33. What has been done for the American Bible Society? \$227.59.

Ques. 34. What has been contributed for the support of presiding elders and preachers in charge? Presiding elders, \$6,721.25; preachers in charge, \$40,004.48.

Ques. 35. What has been contributed for the support of bishops? \$828.

Ques. 36. What is the number of societies, and the number and estimated value of church edifices? Societies, 474; church edifices, 361; value, \$336,185.

Ques. 37. What is the number of pastoral charges, and the number and value of parsonages owned by them? Charges, 107; parsonages, 88; value, \$61,140.

Ques. 38. What is the number and value of district parsonages? Number, 4; value, \$5,250.

Ques. 39. What are the educational statistics? Hendrix College: Officers and teachers, 8; students, 153; value of property, \$65,000. Galloway College: Officers and teachers, 23; students, 253; value of property, \$60,000. Arkadelphia College: Officers and teachers, 13; students, 212.

Training School: Officers and teachers, 5; students, 100; value of property, \$3,500.

Ques. 40. Where shall the next session of the Conference be held? Little Rock.

Ques. 41. Where are the preachers stationed this year?

LITTLE ROCK DISTRICT.

T. H. Ware, P. E.

Little Rock: First Church, C. E. Pattillo, E. R. Steel.

Winfield Memorial, James Thomas.

Asbury, W. J. Hearon.

Hunter Memorial, J. M. Workman.

West End, E. M. Pipkin.

Mabelvale Circuit, W. W. Christie.

Maumelle Circuit, to be supplied by T. E. Dodson.

Oak Hill Circuit, J. F. Taylor.

Austin Circuit, J. A. Henderson.

Carlisle Circuit, W. C. Watson.

Lonoke Station, to be supplied by R. N. Ross.

Hickory Plains Circuit, B. F. Scott.

Des Arc and Devall's Bluff, M. W. Manville.

Hazen Circuit, W. M. Crowson.

England and Liberty, R. L. Wozencraft.

Chaplain to Penitentiary, E. R. Steel.

Editor Arkansas Methodist, J. E. Godbey.

Professors in Hendrix College, J. M. Hawley, G. L. Logan.

Conference Missionary Secretary, James Thomas.

Secretary of Education, J. M. Hawley.
Student in Vanderbilt University, K. W.
Dodson.

PINE BLUFF DISTRICT.

A. Turrentine, P. E.

Pine Bluff: First Church, A. O. Evans.
Lakeside, J. R. Cason.
Riverside, J. F. Carr.
Redfield Circuit, J. R. Sherwood.
Rowell Circuit, E. Garrett.
Rison Circuit, O. H. Keadle.
New Edinburg Circuit, D. D. Warlick.
Kingsland Circuit, J. W. White.
Sheridan Circuit, W. C. Adams.
Sherrill Circuit, J. J. Bond.
Humphrey Circuit, E. A. Townsend.
Stuttgart Station, T. O. Owen.
Gillett Circuit, J. W. Harrell.
Little Prairie Mission, to be supplied by O.
J. Beardslee.
English Circuit, L. M. Daly.
De Witt Station, J. M. D. Sturgis.
Roe Circuit, J. R. Jones.
President Galloway College, C. C. Godden.
Student in Vanderbilt University, G. E.
Cameron.
Student in Training School, J. W. White.

MONTICELLO DISTRICT.

T. D. Scott, P. E.

Monticello Station, T. O. Rorie.
Mt. Pleasant Circuit, C. W. Drake.
Star City Mission, to be supplied by D. H.
Colquette.
Grady Circuit, J. W. Berry.
Dumas Circuit, to be supplied by B. F.
Martin.
Arkansas City Station, R. L. Brooch.
Bartholomew Circuit, R. G. Rowland.
Hamburg and Portland, W. A. Steel.
Hamburg Circuit, L. M. Powell.
Lacey Circuit, J. D. Dunn.
Palestine Circuit, S. W. Rainey.
Berea Circuit, F. P. Doak.
Carriola Circuit, R. H. Poynter.
Warren Station, R. A. McClintock.

CAMDEN DISTRICT.

J. R. Moore, P. E.

Camden Station, M. B. Corrigan.
Camden Circuit, J. L. Johnston.
Ouachita Circuit, J. Z. Burleson.
Stephens and Waldo, W. C. Hilliard.
Buckner Circuit, J. J. Mellard.
New Lewisville Circuit, W. R. Harrison.
Genoa Circuit, J. R. Dickerson.
Magnolia Station, W. F. Evans.
Atlanta Circuit, J. W. Vantrease.
El Dorado Station, L. B. Hawley.
Cargile Circuit, J. H. Cummins.
Junction City Station, W. W. Nelson.
Lapile Circuit, W. J. Rogers.
Harmony Grove Circuit, A. M. Robertson.
Bearden Circuit, J. H. Bradford.
Hampton Circuit, J. Y. Christmas.
Fordyce Station, R. W. McKay.

PRESCOTT DISTRICT.

J. H. Riggin, P. E.

Prescott Station, J. S. Hawkins.
Emmett Circuit, J. A. Parker.
De Anne Circuit, J. H. McKelvy.
Hope Station, J. R. Sanders.
Washington Circuit, J. R. Rushing; J. H.
Gold, Sup.
Fulton and College Hill, J. O. Walsh.
Spring Hill Circuit, to be supplied by H.
M. Bruce.
Bright Star Circuit, to be supplied by J. D.
Sorrells.
Carolina Circuit, F. R. Canfield.
Richmond Circuit, F. N. Brewer.
Rocky Comfort Circuit, F. F. Harrell.
Chapel Hill Circuit, W. T. Locke.
Locksburg Circuit, A. D. Jenkins.
Mineral Springs Circuit, R. J. Raiford.
Center Point Circuit, J. D. Whiteside.
Nashville Circuit, J. H. Glass.

ARKADELPHIA DISTRICT.

H. Jewell, P. E.

Arkadelphia Station, H. H. Watson.
Clark Circuit, W. J. Davis.
Gurdon Circuit, H. D. McKinnon, S. R.
Twitty.
Okolona Circuit, G. W. Logan; S. A. Hill,
Sup.
Murfreesboro Circuit, B. A. White.
Social Hill Circuit, A. C. Kelly.
Malvern Station, C. D. McSwain.
Benton Station, W. P. Whaley; H. Town-
send, Sup.
Bryant Circuit, G. M. Hill.
Alexander Circuit, E. L. Beard.
Lono Circuit, J. J. Menefee.
Princeton Circuit, S. A. Dean.
Holly Springs Circuit, E. F. Wilson.
Dalark Circuit, J. M. G. Douglass.
Arkadelphia Methodist College, C. Pope,
President; G. C. Jones, Professor.

HOT SPRINGS DISTRICT.

J. A. Sage, P. E.

Hot Springs: Central Avenue, R. R.
Moore.
Malvern Hill, J. C. Rhodes.
South Hot Springs, B. A. Few.
Hot Springs Circuit, to be supplied by H.
M. Harris.
New Liberty Circuit, W. W. Mills.
Oma Circuit, A. M. Shaw.
Mt. Ida Circuit, J. B. Williams.
Amity Circuit, L. C. Wilson.
Saline Circuit, David Bolls.
Cove and Dallas, to be supplied by Lacey
Boone.
Cherry Hill Circuit, to be supplied by J. T.
Miller.
Hatton Circuit, L. C. Wozencraft.
Mena Station, C. J. Green.

Transferred.—J. W. Cline, to the China
Mission Conference, and appointed pro-

fessor in Anglo-Chinese College; W. E. Boggs, to the West Texas Conference, and stationed at Travis Park, San Antonio; O. E. Goddard, to the Arkansas Conference, and stationed at First Church, Fort

Smith; N. T. Thomasson, to the Los Angeles Conference, and stationed at Phoenix, Ariz.; John Williams, to the Illinois Conference.

NORTH CAROLINA CONFERENCE.

HELD AT RALEIGH, N. C., DECEMBER 1-6, 1897.

BISHOP HARGROVE, *President*; W. L. CUNINGGIM, *Secretary*.

QUESTION 1. Who are admitted on trial?
ANSWER. Jacob Holt McCracken, James Adolphus Daily, Saul Erastus Mercer, James M. Benson, Gaston Troy Adams, John Compton Humble, Emmett Kennedy McLarty, Benson H. Black, William A. Piland, William F. Jones. 10.

Ques. 2. Who remain on trial? Bryan C. Thompson, Robert H. Willis, Andrew J. Groves, Albert S. Barnes, James M. Terrell. 5.

Ques. 3. Who are discontinued? William A. Piland, at his own request. 1.

Ques. 4. Who are admitted into full connection? Jesse L. Cuninggim, David B. Parker, Robert L. Davis, Yancey E. Wright, Hilary A. Humble, Ernest W. Fox, Wiley D. Sasser. 7.

Ques. 5. Who are readmitted? Lawrence O. Wyche, Nathan L. Seabolt. 2.

Ques. 6. Who are received by transfer from other Conferences? J. W. Strider, Lee T. Mann, James M. Terrell, from the Western North Carolina Conference. 3.

Ques. 7. Who are the deacons of one year? Robert W. Bailey, Solon A. Cotton, Samuel Leffers, Raleigh A. Bruton. 4.

Ques. 8. What traveling preachers are elected deacons? Jesse L. Cuninggim, David B. Parker, Robert L. Davis, Hilary A. Humble, Ernest W. Fox, Wiley D. Sasser. 6.

Ques. 9. What traveling preachers are ordained deacons? Jesse L. Cuninggim, David B. Parker, Robert L. Davis, Hilary A. Humble, Ernest W. Fox, Wiley D. Sasser. 6.

Ques. 10. What local preachers are elected deacons? Albert S. Barnes, Robert H. Willis, Gaston T. Adams. 3.

Ques. 11. What local preachers are ordained deacons? Albert S. Barnes, Robert H. Willis, Gaston Troy Adams. 3.

Ques. 12. What traveling preachers are elected elders? Wesley F. Craven, William C. Merritt, Lee T. Mann. 3.

Ques. 13. What traveling preachers are ordained elders? Wesley F. Craven, William C. Merritt, Lee T. Mann. 3.

Ques. 14. What local preachers are elected elders? None.

Ques. 15. What local preachers are ordained elders? None.

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

Ques. 17. Who are supernumerary? C. R. Taylor, I. W. Avent, R. W. Townsend, J. C. Crisp. 4.

Ques. 18. Who are superannuated? T. Page Ricaud, M. C. Thomas, N. A. Hooker, J. B. Martin, T. B. Reeks, J. C. McCall, Solomon Pool, R. P. Troy, W. S. Davis. 9.

Ques. 19. What preachers have died during the past year? Langhorne Leitch, W. S. Black. 2.

WILLIAM SAMUEL BLACK was born in Cokesbury, S. C., August 31, 1836, and died suddenly of heart failure at the district parsonage, Littleton, N. C., August 4, 1897. A good and great man has gone from our midst to heaven, for God has taken him. He was the son of William B. and Nancy M. Black. He was only four years old when his father died, and was reared by a pious Methodist mother. He was converted when fourteen years of age at the family altar, and joined the Methodist Episcopal Church, South. He was educated at Cokesbury, the South Carolina Conference school. December 3, 1855, he was received into the South Carolina Conference on probation at Marion. He served the following appointments: 1856, junior preacher on Lincolnton Circuit; 1857, assistant preacher on Wateree Mission. At the Annual Conference held at Charlotte, N. C., he was ordained deacon by Bishop Paine; 1858, he was assistant preacher at Anderson; 1859, he was pastor in charge of Shelby Circuit. At the Conference held in Greenville, S. C., he was ordained elder by Bishop Early; 1860-61, Cheraw; 1862, Yarkville; then, to the close of the war, he was chaplain of the twenty-sixth South Carolina regiment; 1866, Greenville Station; 1867-68, Newberry; 1869, Cokesbury Circuit; 1870,

Wadesboro District. That year the territory in which he labored was transferred to the North Carolina Conference, and he accepted cheerfully the new relation, and was appointed presiding elder of the Charlotte District, where he served three years. During the next four years, 1874-77, inclusive, he was presiding elder of the Wilmington District; 1878-80, Edenton Street Church, Raleigh. Four years following he was presiding elder on Salisbury District; the next four years, on Durham District; 1889-90, on Raleigh District. On the death of the Rev. J. T. Harris, November, 1890, Dr. Black was chosen as his successor as superintendent of Oxford Orphan Asylum. Here he did unusually fine work, and every interest of this great charity prospered under his wise supervision. February 12, 1894, the Rev. S. D. Adams, presiding elder of Warrenton District, died, and Bishop Duncan appointed brother Black in charge of that work. Here he wrought with marked success for almost four years, and ceased at once to work and live. His remains were taken to Raleigh for burial. Suitable services were held in Edenton Street Church, where a large number of his old parishioners and friends showed with his family how they loved him. At the grave the regular burial services were held, and then the Masons bestowed the usual honors of their order upon him. It was truly a day of great grief. Dr. Black was for six years the senior editor of the *Raleigh Christian Advocate*, retiring from that position only to give his undivided attention to the work of the ministry. He was a trustee of Trinity College for many years; was always at his post to serve the interest of his Church school with true loyalty. His was heart devotion. He was a member of every General Conference since 1874, except the last session at Memphis, Tenn., and will be remembered by many of his brethren as a wise and successful colaborer in the highest council of his Church. Dr. Black was a man of great and varied ability; was intrusted with many delicate and difficult responsibilities, and showed himself equal to every place to which he was called. True and faithful, he never disappointed the expectation or abused the confidence of his Church or friends. His was a large heart, full of loving sympathy with every person or cause worthy of his help. His devotion to personal friends was beautiful and helpful. While Dr. Black wrought well in every field assigned him, his best work was on districts, where twenty-two years of service out of forty-two were given. He fitted well this larger sphere, where ordinarily large congregations heard the truth declared in plainness, power, tenderness, and love. In the Quarterly Conference he looked well after all the interests of the Church. When he made a

round on his district it meant new life and growth in every department of the work. His last District Conference, only two weeks before his death, was a fine success. To him it was a spiritual feast, and he was very happy till the final end came. Several times during the last month of his life he said: "I am not well, but I am ready; it is all right." When the end was near he sweetly said: "Wife, good-by; tell the children good-by. I want you all to meet me in heaven." This was his last word as he passed into the glory land. Dr. Black was twice married—December 9, 1866, to Miss Mary Flemming, eldest child of the Rev. W. H. Flemming, D.D., a prominent member of the South Carolina Conference. Husband and wife were Christianly proud of each other. Theirs was a large life in labors, usefulness, and happiness—sharing and rejoicing together in their individual and mutual toil in the Master's vineyard. His second wife was the widow of Dr. Bryan and the daughter of the Rev. William Grant, who did long and successful work in the bounds of the Virginia and North Carolina Conferences. This marriage occurred April 30, 1895. She contributed greatly to his happiness and usefulness the last two years of his life. Theirs was a great love. Few children have had so much in the lives and work of their father and mother for which to thank God and from which to gain noble aspirations and purposes. The whole Church, and particularly the North Carolina Conference, will greatly miss brother Black.

LANGHORNE LEITCH, son of Thomas Maurice and Martha Spencer Leitch, was born at Mt. Ida, Buckingham county, Va., August 30, 1866. He was baptized in infancy by the Rev. William S. Thompson, of the Presbyterian Church; was converted and joined the Methodist Church at the early age of eleven years. When not more than fourteen he felt called to the ministry, and consecrated himself to that service; was received under the care of the Quarterly Conference as a candidate for the ministry, September, 1882; and was licensed to preach during the spring of 1885. He was ordained local deacon by Bishop Wilson at Richmond, Va., in March, 1890, and local elder some time during the year 1894. In the fall of 1882 he entered Randolph-Macon College, and after four years of faithful, zealous work, graduated in June, 1886. The following September he entered the Biblical Department of Vanderbilt University, and graduated three years later with the degree of Bachelor of Divinity. In a class of exceptional strength he stood among the foremost, excelling in exegetical work. In 1889 he won the Hebrew prize by an essay on "The Prophecy of Joel," which was afterwards published in the *Southern*

Methodist Quarterly Review. While at Vanderbilt University brother Leitch heard the call to the foreign field, and was not slow to answer, "Here am I, send me." When he graduated he expected to go at once to Japan, but being delayed, he accepted a call to service no less missionary, and even more difficult and trying. For five months he lived a most laborious and self-sacrificing life as teacher in a convict mine in Alabama. Returning utterly worn down, he found a haven in a mother's love and restored health in a mother's care. Before he had fully regained his strength a call came to supply work in Oregon. He longed to stay with his mother the few remaining months before sailing for the East, but writing his friends, "The King's business does not permit of rivalry from personal choice," he kissed his mother the last time on earth, and hurried across the continent to the work at Dallas, Oregon. At the meeting of the Columbia Conference he was received on trial and appointed to Coquille City, but shortly afterwards, in October, 1890, he was appointed to China. He carried into his work in China the same self-sacrificing intensity which had characterized him elsewhere. Sometimes it seemed an extravagance of self-forgetfulness, but to most of us it may well serve as an inspiration, if, indeed, it be not an accusation. The first year, besides his unusually vigorous and successful application to the study of the language, which was about all his brethren expected him to do, he began to do active evangelistic work in Wusieh. For nearly three years, at first alone, and afterwards with the aid of his wife, he exerted every power to build there a church of souls redeemed from ignorance and sin. But his body was not equal to the demands he made on it in his zeal for souls. His health gave way. The change to Soochow failing to restore him, he was obliged to return in June, 1894, to America. The summer and fall of 1894 were spent seeking rest and health, but largely in vain. In December he was transferred from the Virginia Conference (his home Conference, to which he had been transferred from the China Mission Conference) to the North Carolina Conference. He brought to us his courage, his zeal, and his unselfish longing to labor, but only the wreck of his physical self. In much suffering and in many afflictions he labored bravely and faithfully among us for two years. In 1894 he was appointed to the Nashville Circuit, in 1895 to Dunn Circuit, and in 1896 to Hillsboro Circuit. Even at Hillsboro, when confined to his room and suffering intensely, he still, with accustomed zeal, thought of and planned for his work, but he was not to accomplish it. He grew worse, was taken by kind friends to Johns Hopkins

Hospital, and there, in spite of every effort to save his life, passed away April 30, 1897. His body was laid to rest in the Baltimore cemetery by Bishop Wilson and other friends, with every token of loving respect. His soul has found that for which it had so often sighed—service unhindered, unlimited by suffering. At the close of his first year in China, November 16, 1891, brother Leitch was married to Miss Mildred Phillips, a medical missionary of our Woman's Board. She has stood faithfully by his side through the labors and sufferings of more than five years, and now with two little girls survives him. One bright jewel, Mildred Louise, preceded her father to the spirit world. Besides these, a large family of brothers and sisters survive to sorrow. For all let the prayer of the Church go up to "Our Father." Of brother Leitch's work in China, Dr. W. R. Lambuth says: "He was a hard student, and became very proficient in Chinese. The year he spent in the walled city of Chang Chih was one of arduous toil and self-sacrifice: The impress he made on the natives was deep and permanent. Never has there been a more heroic struggle against disability and unfavorable conditions. Without a word of complaint from his lips he suffered, toiled, and gave his strength generously to the great work committed to his hands. While Dr. Parker was absent in the United States, brother Leitch was acting principal of Anglo-Chinese College in Shanghai. Whether in the school room or on his itinerating tours, the same painstaking, masterful effort was true of his daily life. He threw his whole soul into every undertaking." These words faithfully portray the whole life of our departed friend: "Never has there been a more heroic struggle against disability and unfavorable conditions." With nobly ambitious aspirations, with deep faith, with undaunted courage, with vast energy and unceasing perseverance, he planned great things for God. But 'twas not his

to wield
The sickle in the ripened field;

but since his

duty's task was wrought
In unison with God's great thought,
The near and future blend in one,
And whatso'er was willed, was done.

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

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

Raleigh District.

	White Mem's.	Colored Mem's.	Loc'1 Pr's.
Raleigh: Edenton Street.....	762	.....	1
Central.....	351	.....	3
City Mission.....	338	.....	1
Cary Circuit.....	395	.....	.....
Clayton Circuit.....	379	.....	.....
Smithfield Circuit.....	530	.....	.....
Kenly Circuit.....	345	.....	.....
Millbrook Circuit.....	538	.....	1
Youngville Circuit.....	372	.....	.....
Franklinton Circuit.....	374	.....	3
Louisburg Station.....	227	1	.....
Tar River Circuit.....	616	.....	1
Granville Circuit.....	621	.....	.....
Oxford Station.....	230	.....	.....
Oxford Circuit.....	467	.....	1
Total	6,545	1	11

Durham District.

Durham: Trinity.....	594	.....	3
Main Street.....	461	.....	4
West Durham.....	222	.....	1
Carr Church.....	246	.....	.....
Durham Circuit.....	631	1	2
Hillsboro Circuit.....	773	1	.....
Chapel Hill Station.....	122	6	1
Leasburg Circuit.....	311	.....	1
Roxboro Circuit.....	565	.....	.....
Mt. Tizah Circuit.....	607	.....	2
Burlington, Graham, & Haw River.	476	.....	2
Burlington Circuit.....	372	.....	3
Alamance Circuit.....	495	.....	2
Milton Circuit.....	401	1	.....
Yanceyville Circuit.....	539	.....	.....
Total	6,815	9	21

Fayetteville District.

Fayetteville: Hay Street, Campbellton, and Rose Chapel.....	626	.....	2
Cumberland Circuit.....	593	.....	2
Cokesbury Circuit.....	484	.....	.....
Sampson Circuit.....	563	2	2
Lillington Circuit.....	440	.....	.....
Buckhorn Circuit.....	783	.....	1
Dunn Circuit.....	260	.....	2
Newton Grove Circuit.....	526	.....	.....
Cape Fear Circuit.....	321	.....	1
Pittsboro Circuit.....	701	.....	1
Haw River Circuit.....	550	.....	.....
Deep River Circuit.....	577	1	2
Siler City Circuit.....	357	.....	2
Carthage Circuit.....	650	.....	.....
Jonesboro Circuit.....	578	.....	.....
Total	8,009	3	15

Rockingham District.

Rockingham Station.....	300	.....	.....
Rockingham Circuit.....	613	.....	3
Richmond Circuit.....	660	.....	.....
Mt. Gilead Circuit.....	537	.....	.....
Pekin Circuit.....	670	.....	1
Prospect Circuit.....	515	.....	.....
Asbury Circuit.....	730	.....	1
Aberdeen Circuit.....	201	.....	1
St. John Station.....	437	.....	.....
Laurinburg Station.....	460	.....	4
Maxton and Caledonia.....	270	.....	.....
Red Springs Circuit.....	475	.....	.....
Lumberton Circuit.....	518	.....	.....
Robeson Circuit.....	610	.....	1
Total	6,996	1	10

Wilmington District.

Wilmington: Grace.....	679	.....	1
Fifth Street.....	513	.....	2
Bladen Street.....	158	.....	.....
Market Street.....	112	.....	1
Scott's Hill Circuit.....	206	.....	.....
Onslow Circuit.....	735	.....	2
Jacksonville and Richlands.....	274	.....	.....

Wilmington District (Continued).

	White Mem's.	Colored Mem's.	Loc'1 Pr's.
Magnolia Circuit.....	500	.....	.....
Kenansville Circuit.....	598	1	.....
Burgaw Circuit.....	428	.....	1
Clinton Circuit.....	741	.....	1
Bladen Circuit.....	667	.....	2
Elizabeth Circuit.....	594	1	.....
Whiteville and Fair Bluff.....	184	.....	.....
Columbus Circuit.....	511	.....	1
Waccamaw Circuit.....	574	.....	3
Brunswick Circuit.....	635	2	2
Southport Station.....	352	.....	.....
Total	8,461	5	15

New Berne District.

New Berne, Centenary.....	705	.....	1
Goldsboro: St. Paul.....	427	.....	.....
St. John.....	217	.....	.....
Goldsboro Circuit.....	453	.....	3
Mt. Olive Circuit.....	726	.....	.....
Snow Hill Circuit.....	799	.....	1
La Grange Circuit.....	442	.....	.....
Kinston Station.....	345	.....	2
Grifton Circuit.....	547	.....	2
Jones Circuit.....	590	.....	.....
Craven Circuit.....	541	.....	1
Vanceboro Circuit.....	265	.....	1
Pamlico Circuit.....	600	1	1
Carteret Circuit.....	428	.....	.....
Morehead Station.....	263	.....	.....
Beaufort Station.....	442	.....	.....
Straits Circuit.....	524	.....	1
Total	8,314	1	13

Washington District.

Washington Station.....	351	.....	1
Washington Circuit.....	219	.....	.....
Anrora Circuit.....	277	.....	.....
Swan Quarter Circuit.....	390	.....	1
Mattamuskeet Circuit.....	494	.....	.....
Fairfield Station.....	142	.....	.....
Greenville Station.....	217	.....	.....
Ayden Circuit.....	219	.....	.....
Grimesland Circuit.....	278	.....	1
Bethel Station.....	364	.....	.....
Conetoe Circuit.....	162	.....	.....
South Edgecombe Circuit.....	362	.....	1
Rocky Mount Station.....	248	.....	.....
Rocky Mount Circuit.....	341	.....	.....
Nashville Circuit.....	340	.....	.....
Springhope Circuit.....	380	.....	.....
Wilson Station.....	485	.....	1
Fremont Circuit.....	699	.....	.....
Ocracoke and Portsmouth.....	155	.....	.....
Tarboro Station.....	186	.....	.....
Total	6,309	.....	5

Warrenton District.

Warrenton Circuit.....	474	.....	1
Warren Circuit.....	647	.....	.....
Ridgeway Circuit.....	628	.....	2
Henderson Station.....	256	.....	1
Littleton Circuit.....	411	.....	1
Weldon Station.....	113	.....	1
Roanoke Circuit.....	530	.....	.....
Roanoke Rapids.....	73	.....	.....
Halifax Circuit.....	247	1	1
Battleboro and Whitaker's.....	171	.....	.....
Scotland Neck Circuit.....	152	.....	1
Williamston, Hamilton, Jamesville	295	.....	.....
Garysburg Circuit.....	304	.....	.....
Northampton Circuit.....	750	.....	.....
Rich Square Circuit.....	292	.....	.....
Meherrin Circuit.....	600	.....	2
Murfreesboro Station.....	117	.....	.....
Harrellsville Circuit.....	291	.....	1
Bertie Circuit.....	269	.....	.....
Total	6,620	3	9

Elizabeth City District.

Elizabeth City Station.....	557	.....	2
Pasquotank Circuit.....	366	.....	.....
Camden Circuit.....	433	.....	1

Elizabeth City District (Continued).

	White Mem's.	Colored Mem's.	Loc'l Pr's.
South Camden Circuit.....	304	.....	1
Currituck Circuit.....	552	.....	.....
North Gates Circuit.....	498	.....	.....
Gates Circuit.....	553	.....	.....
Perquimans Circuit.....	618	.....	1
Hertford Station.....	100	.....	.....
Chowan Circuit.....	184	.....	.....
Edenton Station.....	152	.....	.....
Plymouth Station.....	216	.....	.....
Roper Station.....	314	.....	.....
Pantego Circuit.....	321	.....	.....
Columbia Circuit.....	468	.....	.....
Dare Circuit.....	35	.....	.....
Roanoke Island Station.....	27	.....	1
Kitty Hawk Circuit.....	188	.....	1
Kennecket Circuit.....	388	.....	2
Hatteras Circuit.....	31	.....	1
	7,153	.....	10

Recapitulation.

Raleigh District.....	6,545	1	11
Durham District.....	6,815	9	21
Fayetteville District.....	8,009	3	15
Rockingham District.....	6,996	1	10
Wilmington District.....	8,461	5	15
New Berne District.....	8,314	1	13
Washington District.....	6,309	.....	5
Warrenton District.....	6,620	3	9
Elizabeth City District.....	7,153	.....	10
Total this year.....	65,225	23	109
Total last year.....	64,775	26	114
Increase.....	447	.....	.....
Decrease.....	.....	3	5

Ques. 22. How many infants have been baptized during the year? 866.

Ques. 23. How many adults have been baptized during the year? 2,071.

Ques. 24. What is the number of Epworth Leagues? 32.

Ques. 25. What is the number of Epworth League members? 1,475.

Ques. 26. What is the number of Sunday schools? 635.

Ques. 27. What is the number of Sunday-school teachers? 4,799.

Ques. 28. What is the number of Sunday-school scholars? 40,058.

Ques. 29. What amount is necessary for the superannuated preachers and the widows and orphans of preachers? \$6,000.

Ques. 30. What has been collected on the foregoing account? and how has it been applied? \$5,452.65. Applied to claimants.

Ques. 31. What has been contributed for Missions? Foreign Missions, \$10,535.85; Domestic Missions, \$6,657.68. Total, \$17,193.53.

Ques. 32. What has been contributed for Church Extension? \$2,765.96.

Ques. 33. What has been done for the American Bible Society? \$400.46.

Ques. 34. What has been contributed for the support of presiding elders and preachers in charge? Presiding elders, \$12,138.77; preachers in charge, \$84,116.49.

Ques. 35. What has been contributed for the support of bishops? \$1,625.44.

Ques. 36. What is the number of societies, and the number and estimated value

of church edifices? Societies, 686; church edifices, 636½; value, \$814,545.

Ques. 37. What is the number of pastoral charges, and the number and value of parsonages owned by them? Charges, 153; parsonages, 119; value, \$143,525.

Ques. 38. What is the number and value of district parsonages? Number, 5; value, \$13,200.

Ques. 39. What are the educational statistics? Trinity College: Officers and teachers, 14; students, 143; value of property, \$230,000; endowment, \$125,000. Littleton Female College: Officers and teachers, 11; students, 106; value of property, \$20,000. Burlington Academy: Officers and teachers, 4; students, 80; value of property, \$4,000. Jonesboro High School: Officers and teachers, 2; students, 57; value of property, \$1,500.

Ques. 40. Where shall the next session of the Conference be held? Elizabeth City, N. C.

Ques. 41. Where are the preachers stationed this year?

RALEIGH DISTRICT.

E. A. Yates, P. E.

Raleigh: Edenton Street, W. C. Norman. Central, E. C. Glenn.

City Mission, to be supplied by T. H. Bain.

Cary, J. W. Jenkins.
Clayton, J. T. Draper.
Smithfield, A. L. Ormond.
Kenly, H. M. Jackson.
Millbrook, J. M. Ashby.
Youngsville, to be supplied by R. H. Whitaker.

Franklinton, George B. Perry.
Louisburg, G. F. Smith.
Tar River, B. C. Allred.
Granville, J. M. Rice.
Oxford Station, M. H. Tuttle.
Oxford Circuit, K. D. Holmes.
Editor North Carolina Christian Advocate, T. N. Ivey.
Chaplain U. S. Navy, W. E. Edmonson.

DURHAM DISTRICT.

J. A. Cuninggim, P. E.

Durham: Trinity, J. N. Cole.
Main Street, G. A. Oglesby.
West Durham, R. W. Bailey.
Carr Church, D. N. Caviness.
Durham Circuit, J. H. McCracken.
Hillsboro, J. M. Terrill.
Chapel Hill, N. H. D. Wilson.
Leasburg, J. B. Thompson.
Roxboro, N. E. Coltrane.
Mt. Tirzah, R. H. Broom.
Burlington, Graham. and Haw River, J. H. Shore, J. A. Daily, M. J. Hunt.
Burlington Circuit, R. F. Taylor.
Alamance, B. C. Thompson.
Milton, E. W. Fox.
Yanceyville, W. J. Twilley.
President Trinity College, J. C. Kilgo.

Conference Colporteur and Sunday-school
Agent, T. J. Gattis.
Agent Braxton Craven Memorial Hall,
Trinity College, N. M. Jurney.

FAYETTEVILLE DISTRICT.

F. A. Bishop, P. E.

Fayetteville: Hay Street, Campbellton,
and Rose Chapel, L. L. Nash, B. H.
Black.
Cumberland, L. M. Chaffin.
Cokesbury, G. W. Starling.
Sampson, E. C. Sell.
Lillington, R. A. Bruton.
Buckhorn, H. G. Stamey; I. W. Avent,
Sup.
Dunn, D. B. Parker.
Newton Grove, W. F. Galloway.
Cape Fear, A. J. Groves.
Pittsboro, L. E. Thompson.
Haw River, W. H. Puckett.
Deep River, B. B. Holder.
Siler City, W. F. Craven.
Carthage, Z. T. Harrison.
Jonesboro, D. L. Earnhardt.

ROCKINGHAM DISTRICT.

W. H. Moore, P. E.

Rockingham Station, J. H. Page.
Rockingham Circuit, J. M. Lowder.
Richmond, J. P. Pate.
Mt. Gilead, W. W. Rose.
Pekin, J. W. Strider.
Prospect, to be supplied by J. B. Bruton.
Asbury, N. H. Guyton.
Aberdeen, J. E. Thompson.
St. John, M. D. Hix.
Laurinburg, F. M. Shamburger.
Sneed's Grove, S. E. Mercer.
Maxton and Caledonia, M. Bradshaw.
Red Springs, J. W. Wallace.
Lumberton, J. D. Bundy.
Robeson, E. Pope; R. W. Townsend, Sup.

WILMINGTON DISTRICT.

R. C. Beaman, P. E.

Wilmington: Grace and Bladen Street, A.
P. Tyer, G. D. Langston.
Fifth Street, W. L. Cuninggim.
Market Street, Albert Barnes.
Scott's Hill, W. H. Townsend.
Onslow, J. A. Rouse.
Jacksonville and Richlands, W. A. Forbes.
Magnolia, L. S. Etheridge.
Kenansville, J. W. Martin.
Burgaw, D. A. Futrell.
Clinton, D. C. Geddie.
Bladen, W. A. Jenkins.
Elizabeth, C. P. Snow.
Whiteville, A. R. Raven.
Carver's Creek, C. W. Smith.
Waccamaw, to be supplied by J. M. Mar-
low.
Brunswick, J. J. Porter.
Southport, H. B. Anderson.

NEW BERNE DISTRICT.

W. S. Rone, P. E.

New Berne: Centenary, R. B. John.
Goldsboro: St. Paul, F. D. Swindell.
St. John, J. E. Bristowe.
Goldsboro Circuit, M. M. McFarland.
Mt. Olive, J. G. Johnson.
La Grange, T. H. Sutton.
Snow Hill, L. J. Holden.
Kinston, J. A. Lee.
Grifton, M. T. Plyler.
Jones, J. M. Benson.
Craven, W. J. Crowson.
Vanceboro, to be supplied by F. E. Dixon.
Pamlico, H. E. Tripp.
Carteret, G. T. Simmons.
Morehead City, L. S. Massey.
Beaufort, D. H. Tuttle.
Straits, T. J. Browning.
Core Sound Mission, to be supplied by R.
T. Wyche.

WASHINGTON DISTRICT.

B. R. Hall, P. E.

Washington Station, J. E. Underwood.
Washington Circuit, W. F. Jones.
Aurora, C. O. Du Rant.
Swan Quarter, R. L. Davis.
Mattamuskeet, J. T. Bagwell.
Fairfield, G. T. Adams.
Greenville, N. M. Watson.
Ayden, L. O. Wyche.
Grimesland, N. L. Seabolt.
Bethel, B. B. Culbreth.
Tarboro, R. F. Bumpass.
Conetoe, S. A. Cotton.
South Edgecombe, R. H. Willis.
Rocky Mount Station, R. J. Moorman.
Rocky Mount Circuit, A. D. Betts.
Nashville, H. A. Humble.
Wilson, J. B. Hurley.
Fremont, C. P. Jerome.
Spring Hope, J. C. Humble.
Ocracoke and Portsmouth, S. T. Moyle.
Student at Vanderbilt University, E. K.
McLarty.

WARRENTON DISTRICT.

J. T. Gibbs, P. E.

Warrenton, J. O. Guthrie.
Warren, J. Sanford.
Ridgeway, T. J. Daily.
Henderson, A. McCullen.
Littleton, P. L. Herman.
Weldon, O. Ryder.
Roanoke, Y. E. Wright.
Roanoke Rapids, J. H. Frizzelle.
Halifax, J. T. Abernethy.
Battleboro and Whitaker, E. E. Rose.
Scotland Neck, Rufus Bradley.
Williamston, Hamilton, and Jamesville,
G. W. Fisher.
Garysburg, J. D. Pegram.
Northampton, A. R. Goodchild.
Rich Square, J. R. Sawyer.
Meherrin, Philip Greening.
Murfreesboro, J. L. Rumley.

Harrellsville, J. C. Jones.
 Bertie, J. R. Tillery.
 President Littleton Female College, J. M. Rhodes.

ELIZABETH CITY DISTRICT.

R. A. Willis, P. E.

Elizabeth City, J. H. Hall.
 Pasquotank, W. E. Hocutt.
 Camden, A. J. Parker.
 South Camden, to be supplied by J. Y. Old.
 Currituck, J. H. M. Giles.
 North Gates, C. W. Robinson.
 Gates, F. B. McCall.
 Perquimans, W. C. Merritt.
 Hertford, J. A. Hornaday.
 Edenton, L. T. Mann.

Plymouth, J. L. Cuninggim.
 Roper, E. H. Davis.
 Pantego, Samuel Leffers.
 Columbia, W. D. Sasser.
 Dare, W. Y. Everton.
 Roanoke Island, J. J. Barker; C. R. Taylor, Sup.
 Hatteras, L. H. Joyner.
 Kitty Hawk, to be supplied by J. W. Gurganus.
 Kennekeet, D. A. Watkins; J. C. Crisp, Sup.

Transferred.—W. L. Grissom, James T. Lyon, to the Western North Carolina Conference; H. W. Whitaker, to the South Carolina Conference.

SOUTH GEORGIA CONFERENCE.

HELD AT SAVANNAH, GA., DECEMBER 1-6, 1897.

BISHOP KEY, *President*; W. C. LOVETT, *Secretary*.

QUESTION 1. Who are admitted on trial?
 ANSWER. Leonard A. Hill, W. W. Seals, Euston E. Clements, Robert P. Fain, Thomas B. Sandford. 5.

Ques. 2. Who remain on trial? Robert M. Dixon, Lemuel W. Colson, Samuel C. Hoyle, Thomas Williams, George H. Martin, R. E. Bradley. 6.

Ques. 3. Who are discontinued? L. U. Peeples, P. Z. Fretwell, at their own request; Charles T. Haskell. 3.

Ques. 4. Who are admitted into full connection? Thomas H. Thomson, R. U. Edmondson, Edwin E. Rose, Newsom T. Pafford, H. L. Pierson, James M. Bass, James M. Rustin, George N. MacDonell. 8.

Ques. 5. Who are readmitted? None.

Ques. 6. Who are received by transfer from other Conferences? W. W. Pinson, J. M. Crow, F. M. C. Eads. 3.

Ques. 7. Who are the deacons of one year? Robert Kerr, Lucius J. Ballard, Francis McCullough, Guyton Fisher, William H. Budd, W. A. Mallory, I. P. Tyson, F. A. Rateliff. 8.

Ques. 8. What traveling preachers are elected deacons? Thomas H. Thompson, Edwin E. Rose, James M. Bass, James W. Rustin, George N. MacDonell. 5.

Ques. 9. What traveling preachers are ordained deacons? Thomas H. Thompson, Edwin E. Rose, James M. Bass, James M. Rustin, George N. MacDonell. 5.

Ques. 10. What local preachers are elected deacons? Samuel C. Hoyle, Isaac R.

Kelly, John F. Key, Asbury G. Brewton, Thomas H. Drake, James P. Sumner, William D. J. Sumner. 7.

Ques. 11. What local preachers are ordained deacons? Samuel C. Hoyle, Isaac R. Kelly, John F. Key, Asbury G. Brewton, Thomas H. Drake, James P. Sumner, William D. J. Sumner. 7.

Ques. 12. What traveling preachers are elected elders? Leon O. Lewis, William T. Stewart, Benjamin E. Whittington, Joseph A. Thomas, Joel Cowart, Homer Bush, James A. Smith, Thomas D. Ellis, William E. Arnold, Whitty Langston. 10.

Ques. 13. What traveling preachers are ordained elders? Leon O. Lewis, William T. Stewart, Benjamin E. Whittington, Joseph H. Thomas, Joel Cowart, Homer Bush, James A. Smith, Thomas D. Ellis, William E. Arnold, Whitty Langston. 10.

Ques. 14. What local preachers are elected elders? None.

Ques. 15. What local preachers are ordained elders? William M. Martin. 1.

Ques. 16. Who are located this year? William A. Mallory, O. W. Branch, E. J. Burch, James M. Crow. 4.

Ques. 17. Who are supernumerary? G. C. Thompson, R. F. Williamson. 2.

Ques. 18. Who are superannuated? D. R. McWilliams, S. G. Childs, W. H. Thomas, T. B. Lanier, W. F. Roberts, W. F. Bearden, W. S. Baker, J. M. Austin, W. W. Tidwell, L. B. Payne, W. T. McMichael, J. R. Owen, P. C. Harris, P. H. Crumpler,

J. D. Anthony, H. R. Felder, F. W. Flinders. 17.

Ques. 19. What preachers have died during the past year? J. J. Giles, T. K. Leonard, John W. Burke. 3.

JESSE JACKSON GILES was born in Chester county, S. C., December 25, 1827. He married Miss Mariah M. Hall January 9, 1849, and became a citizen of Florida the same year. He was licensed to preach several years before he joined the itinerant connection. Brother Giles was admitted into the Florida Conference in the year 1856; was a member of said Conference ten years. The old Georgia Conference met in Americus December, 1866, and here it was divided into two Conferences, by permission of the original Georgia Conference. Henceforth there were two Conferences, called North Georgia and South Georgia. Twenty odd counties of South Georgia which had belonged to the Florida Conference were placed by this action in the South Georgia Conference. With this retroceded territory, all the preachers at the time serving in it became members of the southern section, except those preferring to adhere to the Florida Conference. Very many chose to adhere to the South Georgia Conference, among them Jesse J. Giles. Our brother was faithful to all trusts committed to him. He was a close student, loved the Church of his choice, and very cordially indorsed Methodism in doctrine and polity. He was fully prepared to expound and defend our system in its entirety. His mind was logical and finely fitted for forensical work. The Rev. J. D. Anthony, long time his presiding elder, has often said that "if he had to select a preacher to preach to him for three hundred and sixty-five days in the year, out of all in his large acquaintance he would select Jesse J. Giles." His style and treatment of the subjects he discussed were strictly Wesleyan. Brother Giles was one of the few of whom the people never tire. People who had enjoyed his ministry were always anxious to hear him again. All of his work was done on circuits, though he was fully competent for better places, even the higher ones. He had so little self-assertion that he was ever ready to honor his brethren without claiming anything for himself. The affliction of his wife made it desirable for him to be with her, and this led him to fixedness as to home and limitation in his field of labor. He continued in the active work until his health failed, and he then became superannuated. But he continued to preach as long as he was able to work. He wrote the Rev. J. D. Anthony three years ago thus: "I have been suffering from paralysis for three months. I feared I would pass away before I could make my wishes known to you. I wish you, my dear old brother, to preach my funeral

sermon at Mt. Moriah, where I wish to be buried." Nearly three years after this writing Anthony received a dispatch announcing the death of brother Giles. His dying words and testimony were not reported at the time of his decease; but this was not needed. Brother Giles fell at the post of suffering and duty, face to the foe, and the victor's shout upon his lips. He died on the 14th of June, 1897, admired for his virtues and lamented by a host of friends and brethren. May our good Lord graciously reunite the bereaved family and lead all of us in the way everlasting!

THOMAS KING LEONARD was born in Brunswick county, N. C., September 22, 1820, and died at his home in Arlington, Ga., January 19, 1897. His early educational advantages were the best to be had in his day. Completing the academic course, he entered the University of Pennsylvania and graduated in medicine in 1845. Entering at once on his chosen profession, he attained to some eminence as a physician. Arrested by the Holy Spirit and brought to a saving knowledge of the truth as it is in Christ, he recognized the call of God to the work of the ministry. With characteristic promptness he asked and obtained license to exhort in July, 1862, under the ministry of the Rev. S. R. Weaver, and in November following was licensed to preach by the Rev. Samuel Woodbury. In 1867 he joined the Florida Conference. After five years of faithful service, he transferred to Trinity Conference, Texas; remained there one year, and was transferred to the South Georgia Conference, where he labored until his superannuation in 1889. In 1858 he was happily married to Miss Mary A. Perryman, by whom he had one daughter. Both survive him. Dr. Leonard was a fine specimen of physical manhood, and as fearless as Julius Cæsar. He had a high sense of honor—a courteous gentleman, but before his conversion woe to the man who dared to insult him. After his conversion, his indomitable energy, and sterling integrity, and tireless zeal, and dauntless courage were all consecrated to the high purpose of saving souls. He was a practical, forcible, evangelical preacher. A close student of the Word, thoroughly acquainted with Methodist theology, intensely loyal to her doctrines, and withal a man of positive opinions and convictions, his ministry was the edification of the Church, and was honored of God in the salvation of many souls. Prominent among the fruits of the Spirit that adorned his character was the rare and lovely grace of genuine Christian liberality. He honored the Lord with his substance, and with the first fruits of his increase. He was willing to impoverish himself to enrich others. He was a "cheerful giver," and was rich

toward God. Ready at all times to respond to any call of benevolence, the cause which lay closest to his heart was that of giving the gospel of Christ to the heathen world. For many years, though a man of moderate means, he was accustomed to give one hundred dollars to foreign missions. The deserving poor were never turned empty from his door, and the sick and sorrowing found always in him a sympathizing friend and brother. He "delivered the poor that cried, and the fatherless and him that had none to help him. The blessing of him that was ready to perish came upon him, and he caused the widow's heart to sing for joy." In 1889, at the session of this Conference in Americus, realizing that he was no longer able to do the work of an effective itinerant preacher, he was granted a superannuated relation at his own request. Securing a little home in the town of Arlington, he established a small drug business to maintain himself and family. Several years before his death he was scarcely able to walk, and was wheeled to and from his place of business in a roller chair. He loved the Church and the brethren of this Conference. As long as he could go he attended the services of the sanctuary. It was a joy to hear him talk of the conflicts and triumphs of the past, and of his inspiring hope of a blessed immortality. "In the evening time it was light." Just one month after the close of the last session of our Conference, on the 19th of January, he passed peacefully from the labors and sufferings of earth to the rest and rewards of heaven. And now, with profound gratitude to God for the grace that enables a man to live right and die well, we add the name of Thomas K. Leonard to the sixty-eight already on the roll of our honored and sainted dead.

JOHN WILLIAM BURKE was born October 1, 1826, in Clarke county, Ga. His parents were Richard E. Burke and Mary R. Burke, long residents of Athens, Ga. The father of John W. Burke was an Irishman and was reared a Roman Catholic. He became a Methodist in 1824, being converted at a camp meeting in that year, and his wife was converted at the same time. They were converted under the preaching of Dr. Lovick Pierce, the justly famous pulpit orator. Brother Burke's parents were married in 1825. They were very live Methodists and sustained fine Christian repute. John William Burke became a professor of religion in early life, and united with the Methodist Episcopal Church and remained in it to his death, which occurred after severe and protracted affliction—paralysis—June 20, 1897, in Macon, Ga., long the place of his residence, and where he had hosts of friends. He was trained to the printer's trade, and must have been a rapid typo,

as all his movements were quick. His industry was great. He published and edited newspapers of a secular caste for some time, though he was very young. He was licensed to preach in 1854, and entered the Georgia Conference in December, 1854, at the session held in Atlanta, Ga., Bishop Capers presiding. The class entering then was unusually large, and contained divers men of mark and merit. The names of J. O. A. Clark, G. G. N. MacDonell, Walter J. Scott, and O. P. Fitzgerald are recalled; indeed, the list was remarkable for ability, character, and longevity. Brother Burke filled acceptably a few appointments as a circuit preacher, being a man highly endowed with a capacity to make friends. After this service, he served the Church as agent of the Tract Society, then a part of Methodist economy, but which was soon abandoned. Then he was Conference Agent of the Depository for Books, owned by the Georgia Conference. This scheme came to an end by the burning of the Depository, and afterwards the business was continued by brother Burke and others as their own business. He was for many years at the head of a corporation called J. W. Burke & Co., doing business in Macon, Ga. During this time a vast amount of books, etc., were sold by the corporation. It came to an end in 1894 under the pressure of financial troubles then so widely prevailing. While in charge of this business for about thirty years, brother Burke became widely known and greatly beloved over all the land. He often filled small charges without leaving his store work, and always with credit and popularity. Twice he was appointed to the office of presiding elder to fill out vacancies created by death and otherwise. His service in this office being *ad interim*, his chief distinction does not come in that way. There is every reason to believe that his popularity was herein as elsewhere very decided. Brother Burke was also assistant editor of the *Southern Christian Advocate*, which he also printed by contract for many years. He was a man of fine health and spirits until the last two years of his life, when he became disabled by paralysis, lingered long, and died. He was a genial, humorous man; could tell a joke even at his own expense, and he made sunshine in every social circle where he moved. He was never taciturn, never moody nor melancholic, yet he was not obtrusive in conversation. He was generous as well as genial, and freely used his money for charity and Church work. His sermons were plain, were well conceived, and very rapidly delivered. No man could utter words faster, and his vocabulary was very good; he was not rated, however, as an orator. Our brother did immense work in his own sphere, to which he seemed finely adapted, being a book merchant and a publisher. He wrote con-

siderably for the *Advocate*, and was the author of one or two small books and a catechism. Brother Burke had a family of three sons and three daughters, most of whom are living. The Rev. William B. Burke, of the China Mission, has honored himself and his father by giving himself to labor in a pagan land, where he has been for about a decade. Few men had warmer friends than John W. Burke, nor more numerous. He was a trustee of both Emory and Wesleyan Female Colleges, our venerated institutions of learning in Georgia. God enabled him to live to a good old age, he being nearly seventy-one at the time of his decease. Long will he be remembered and lamented by his friends and brethren.

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

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

South Macon District (Continued).

	White Mem's.	Colored Mem's.	Loc'l Pr's.
Unadilla.....	377	.....	.....
Snow.....	644	.....	.....
Vienna.....	394	.....	1
Hawkinsville.....	244	.....	2
Fort Valley.....	417	.....	1
Knoxville and Mission.....	641	.....	1
Marshallville.....	203	.....	.....
Montezuma.....	244	.....	2
Oglethorpe.....	271	.....	1
Reynolds.....	521	.....	1
Perry.....	326	.....	.....
Bonaire.....	257	.....	1
Total	6,705	.....	12

Columbus District.

Columbus: St. Luke.....	818	.....	.....
St. Paul.....	352	.....	1
Pearce and Midway.....	393	.....	2
Broad Street and Epworth.....	561	.....	.....
Rose Hill.....	286	.....	.....
East Highlands.....	187	.....	.....
Catania.....	430	.....	2
Hamilton.....	252	.....	1
Talbotton.....	226	.....	1
Talbot Circuit.....	527	.....	.....
Waverly Hall.....	477	.....	.....
Geneva.....	322	.....	1
Upatoie.....	162	.....	.....
Bethel.....	328	.....	.....
Buena Vista.....	370	.....	2
Marion.....	498	.....	.....
Cusseta.....	374	.....	.....
Butler.....	449	.....	2
Total	7,007	.....	12

Savannah District.

	White Mem's.	Colored Mem's.	Loc'l Pr's.
Savannah: Trinity.....	605	.....	.....
Wesley Monumental.....	572	1	.....
Grace.....	308	.....	.....
Seventh Street.....	136	.....	1
Eden.....	443	1	1
Guyton.....	251	.....	2
Springfield.....	508	.....	1
Rocky Ford.....	423	.....	.....
Sylvania.....	533	1	1
Bethany and Bethel.....	656	1	1
Waynesboro.....	268	.....	.....
Millen and Midville.....	186	.....	.....
Summertown.....	650	.....	1
Bryan.....	247	.....	1
Eureka.....	272	.....	3
Brier Creek.....	334	.....	.....
Total	6,392	3	12

Americus District.

Americus: First Church.....	568	.....	2
St. Paul.....	356	.....	3
Anderson.....	225	.....	1
Leslie and Leesburg.....	209	.....	.....
Plains.....	322	1	.....
Ellaville.....	432	.....	1
Richland.....	370	.....	.....
Lumpkin.....	214	.....	.....
Omaha.....	263	.....	.....
Brownwood.....	416	.....	1
Dawson.....	448	.....	.....
Smithville.....	262	.....	.....
Dover.....	453	.....	1
Shellman and Georgetown.....	376	.....	2
Cuthbert.....	410	.....	1
Springvale.....	324	.....	.....
Coleman.....	396	.....	1
Fort Gaines.....	444	.....	.....
Total	6,578	1	13

North Macon District.

Macon: Mulberry Street.....	965	.....	1
Vineville.....	266	.....	1
East Macon.....	321	.....	.....
Manchester.....	115	.....	.....
Gordon.....	449	.....	1
Irwinton.....	338	.....	.....
Jeffersonville.....	430	.....	.....
Washington.....	433	.....	.....
Sandersville.....	246	.....	1
Tennille.....	118	.....	.....
Ridgely.....	418	.....	1
Warthen.....	351	.....	.....
Gibson.....	305	.....	.....
Hinton.....	620	2	.....
Wadley Circuit.....	630	.....	3
Louisville.....	348	.....	.....
Wadley and Bartow.....	245	.....	2
Total	6,648	2	10

Thomasville District.

Thomasville.....	526	.....	2
Quitman.....	220	.....	.....
Boston.....	622	.....	2
Albany.....	321	.....	1
Atapulgus.....	412	.....	.....
Bainbridge.....	215	.....	.....
Blakely.....	420	.....	.....
Cairo.....	342	.....	1
Bold Spring.....	565	.....	3
Camilla.....	386	.....	.....
Donalson and Mission.....	406	.....	3
Leary.....	254	.....	.....
Whigham.....	342	.....	1
Pelham.....	505	.....	.....
Metcalf.....	331	.....	1
Colquitt.....	245	.....	.....
Hilton.....	323	.....	2
Antioch.....	263	.....	2
Total	6,693	.....	13

South Macon District.

Macon: First Street.....	479	.....	1
Grace.....	175	.....	.....
South Macon.....	406	.....	.....
Centenary.....	392	.....	.....
Bibb.....	178	.....	1
Byron.....	536	.....	.....

McRae District.

McRae and Lumber City.....	392	.....	1
Helena.....	454	.....	3
Alamo.....	556	.....	3

McRae District (Continued).

	White Mem's.	Colored Mem's.	Loc'l Pr's.
Jacksonville.....	330		
Abbeville.....	154		
Rochelle.....	480		1
Arabi.....	140		
Cochran Station.....	222		1
Cochran Circuit.....	238		
Dexter.....	415		4
Eastman.....	220		1
Dodge.....	211		
Mt. Vernon.....	325		4
Hazlehurst.....	352		1
Spring Hill.....	486		1
Baxley.....	648		3
Scotland.....	308		
Total	5,927		23

Waycross District.

Waycross: First Church.....	564		2
Trinity.....	120		1
Brunswick: First Church.....	299		1
McKendree.....	152		
Darien and Ridgeville.....	92		1
St. Mary's.....	217		1
Woodbine.....	272	1	
Mt. Pleasant.....	251		1
Folkston.....	185		
Wareboro.....	299		
Douglass.....	449		1
Honerville and Mission.....	401		
Blackshear.....	235		1
Screven.....	237		
Jesup.....	181		
Taylor's Creek.....	395		1
Hinesville.....	343		3
Jonesville.....	227		1
Duke.....	130		
Bickly.....	290		2
Total	5,340	1	16

Valdosta District.

Valdosta.....	304		1
Brooks.....	592		3
Milltown.....	387	1	2
Lake Park.....	400		2
Adel.....	332		
Hahira.....	339		
Summer and Ty-Ty.....	503		1
Worth.....	380		2
Tifton.....	220		1
Mystic.....	144		
Ashburn.....	225		
Sycamore.....	363		
Crisp.....	346		1
Cordele.....	220		
Kirkland.....	380		2
Fitzgerald.....	103		
Alapaha.....	255		1
Moultrie and McDonald.....	442		4
Total	5,935	1	20

Dublin District.

Dublin.....	420		
Lovett.....	617		2
Wrightsville Station.....	224		1
Wrightsville Circuit.....	366		2
Adrian.....	398		3
Statesboro.....	207		1
Woodburn.....	285		2
Swainsboro.....	525		7
Stillmore.....	140		
Hagan.....	448		5
Reidsville.....	378		2
Glennville.....	234		1
Higgston.....	566		3
Altamaha.....	598		1
Brewton.....	647		4
Total	6,053		34

Recapitulation.

Savannah District.....	6,392	3	12
North Macon District.....	6,648	2	10
South Macon District.....	6,705		12

Recapitulation (Continued).

	White Mem's.	Colored Mem's.	Loc'l Pr's.
Columbus District.....	7,007		12
Americus District.....	6,578	1	13
Thomasville District.....	6,698		18
McRae District.....	5,927		23
Waycross District.....	5,340	1	16
Valdosta District.....	5,935	1	20
Dublin District.....	6,053		34
Total this year	63,283	8	170
Total last year	62,137	8	191
Increase	1,146		
Decrease			21

Ques. 22. How many infants have been baptized during the year? 1,320.

Ques. 23. How many adults have been baptized during the year? 2,287.

Ques. 24. What is the number of Epworth Leagues? 87.

Ques. 25. What is the number of Epworth League members? 3,774.

Ques. 26. What is the number of Sunday schools? 587.

Ques. 27. What is the number of Sunday-school teachers? 3,946.

Ques. 28. What is the number of Sunday-school scholars? 30,578.

Ques. 29. What amount is necessary for the superannuated preachers and the widows and orphans of preachers? \$6,885.22.

Ques. 30. What has been collected on the foregoing account? and how has it been applied? \$5,164.38. Applied to claimants.

Ques. 31. What has been contributed for Missions? Foreign Missions, \$11,018.22; Domestic Missions, \$6,556.14. Total, \$17,574.36.

Ques. 32. What has been contributed for Church Extension? \$2,442.23.

Ques. 33. What has been done for the American Bible Society? \$894.74.

Ques. 34. What has been contributed for the support of presiding elders and preachers in charge? Presiding elders, \$14,174.64; preachers in charge, \$92,460.82.

Ques. 35. What has been contributed for the support of bishops? \$1,486.61.

Ques. 36. What is the number of societies, and the number and estimated value of Church edifices? Societies, 660; church edifices, 607½; value, \$819,011.75.

Ques. 37. What is the number of pastoral charges, and the number and value of parsonages owned by them? Charges, 174; parsonages, 121; value, \$151,557.

Ques. 38. What is the number and value of district parsonages? Number, 1; value, \$2,000.

Ques. 39. What are the educational statistics? Emory College: Officers and teachers, 15; students, 281; value of property, \$125,000; endowment, \$208,630. Wesleyan Female College: Officers and teachers, 19; students, 199; value of property, \$250,000; endowment, \$35,000. Andrew College: Officers and teachers, 12; students, 162; value of property, \$30,000. South Georgia College: Officers and teach-

ers, 6; students, 225; value of property, \$15,000.

Ques. 40. Where shall the next session of the Conference be held? Hawkinsville, Ga.

Ques. 41. Where are the preachers stationed this year?

SAVANNAH DISTRICT.

John A. Thompson, P. E.

Savannah: Trinity, I. H. Scruggs.
 Wesley Monumental, J. O. Branch.
 Grace, O. F. Cook.
 Seventh Street, E. F. Morgan.
 Eden, George N. MacDonell.
 Guyton, J. T. Rider.
 Springfield, J. B. Griner.
 Rocky Ford, G. W. Thomas.
 Sylvania, C. D. Adams.
 Brier Creek, to be supplied by L. E. Waters.
 Girard, G. P. Reviere.
 Millen, W. S. Wootten.
 Waynesboro, J. P. Wardlaw.
 Bryan, to be supplied by R. B. Ross.
 Taylor Creek, M. A. Phillips.
 Hinesville, W. M. C. Conley.

NORTH MACON DISTRICT.

A. M. Williams, P. E.

Macon: Mulberry Street, W. W. Pinson.
 Vineville and Manchester, Bascom Anthony.
 East Macon, J. M. Weston.
 Gordon, W. C. Brewton.
 Irwinton, H. C. Jones.
 Jeffersonville and Mission, I. H. Outler.
 Washington, R. M. Boothe.
 Sandersville, J. S. Jordan.
 Tennille, T. H. Thomson.
 Riddleville, F. A. Ratcliff.
 Warthen and Mission, L. R. Allison.
 Hinton, R. E. Bailey.
 Wadley Circuit, J. C. Griner.
 Louisville, T. W. Ellis.
 Wadley and Bartow, J. H. Mather.
 Wesleyan Christian Advocate, T. T. Christian, Assistant Editor.
 Orphans' Home, W. E. Mumford, Agent;
 J. G. Harrison, Superintendent.
 Student at Vanderbilt University, C. E. Choate.

SOUTH MACON DISTRICT.

F. A. Branch, P. E.

Macon: First Street, George W. Matthews.
 Grace, C. W. Snow.
 Centenary, T. D. Ellis.
 South Macon, T. I. Nease.
 Bibb, R. A. Edmondson.
 Byron, G. T. Roberts.
 Bonair, Wesley Lane.
 Snow, J. S. Lewis.
 Vienna and Unadilla, R. L. Wiggins.
 Vienna Circuit, F. L. Stokes.
 Hawkinsville, J. A. Harmon.

Fort Valley, P. S. Twitty.
 Knoxville, R. M. Allison.
 Hebron, L. A. Hill.
 Marshalville, H. P. Myers.
 Montezuma, C. H. Branch.
 Oglethorpe, H. C. Brewton.
 Perry, T. W. Darley.

COLUMBUS DISTRICT.

J. W. Hinton, P. E.

Columbus: St. Luke, C. E. Dowman.
 St. Paul, A. M. Wynn.
 Broad Street, J. W. Simmons.
 Rose Hill, W. W. Seals.
 Pearce Chapel, S. C. Hoyle.
 Hamilton and Highlands, J. A. Smith.
 Waverly Hall, W. C. Jones.
 Shiloh, Robert M. Dixon.
 Talbotton, O. B. Chester.
 Talbot Circuit, C. T. Clarke.
 Butler Circuit, J. T. Ainsworth.
 Geneva Circuit, L. W. Colson.
 Buena Vista Circuit, George S. Johnston.
 Marion Circuit, J. M. Bass.
 Cusseta Circuit, W. E. Arnold.
 Cataula Circuit, H. M. Morrison.
 Glen Alta Mission, R. E. Bradley.
 Bethel, to be supplied by Thomas F. Drake.
 Reynold, W. T. Stewart.

AMERICUS DISTRICT.

John B. McGehee, P. E.

Americus: First Church, K. Read.
 St. Paul, B. E. Whittington.
 Leslie and Leesburg, G. W. Childress.
 Plains, W. D. McGregor.
 Ellaville, T. R. McMichael.
 Richland, L. J. Ballard.
 Lumpkin, C. M. Ledbetter.
 Omaha, S. W. Rogers.
 Bronwood, W. C. Wade.
 Dawson, J. B. Johnston.
 Dover, George P. Purnelle.
 Smithville, J. A. Thomas.
 Shelman and Georgetown, I. F. Griffith.
 Cuthbert, T. M. Christian.
 Springvale, J. Carr.
 Coleman, R. M. Wesley.
 Ft. Gaines, M. B. Ferrell.
 Andrew Female College, Homer Bush, President.

THOMASVILLE DISTRICT.

J. O. A. Cook, P. E.

Thomasville, W. C. Lovett.
 Bainbridge, W. A. Ainsworth.
 Albany, W. F. Smith.
 Boston, M. A. Morgan.
 Metcalf, J. Cowart.
 Cairo, R. Kerr.
 Climax, J. S. Funderburk.
 Colquitt, J. W. Foy.
 Attapulcus, T. D. Strong.
 Donaldson Mission, E. A. Saunders; one to be supplied.
 Pelham, J. C. Parker.

Camilla, W. A. Huckabee.
 Antioch, to be supplied by P. Z. Fretwell.
 Blakely, J. W. Arnold.
 Leary, F. McCullough.
 Hilton, to be supplied by C. C. Lowe.
 Bold Springs, I. P. Tyson.

McRAE DISTRICT.

E. H. McGehee, P. E.

McRae and Lumber City, J. M. Lovett.
 Helena, C. C. Hines.
 Jacksonville, B. F. Bales.
 Abbeville, Guyton Fisher.
 Crisp, to be supplied by G. W. Pharr.
 Rochelle, C. A. Jackson.
 Cochran Station, W. J. Flanders.
 Cochran Circuit, E. E. Clements.
 Eastman, W. J. Robertson.
 Dexter, H. C. Fentress.
 Chauncey, D. F. Miles.
 Mount Vernon, W. T. Clarke.
 Hazlehurst, R. R. Norman.
 Spring Hill, F. F. St. Clair.
 Rhine, E. S. Tucker.
 South Baxley, Thomas Williams.

WAYCROSS DISTRICT.

E. M. Whiting, P. E.

Waycross: First Church, George G. N
 MacDonell.
 Trinity, J. M. Glenn.
 Brunswick: First Church, Ed F. Cook.
 McKendree, Thomas B. Stanford.
 Darien and Ridgeville, T. B. Kemp.
 St. Mary's, W. Langston.
 Woodbine, C. W. Littlejohn.
 Mt. Pleasant, E. M. Wright.
 Folkston, to be supplied by M. C. Austin.
 Waresboro, H. L. Pierson.
 Douglass, J. P. Dickinson.
 Homerville Mission, W. J. Stallings; C. G.
 Ernest, Sup.
 Blackshear, T. J. Peck.
 Screven Mission, Aaron Kelley.
 Jesup, M. F. Beals.
 Jonesville Mission, to be supplied by J. U.
 Tippens.
 Duke Mission, to be supplied by J. W.
 Farris.

Bickley, J. M. Boland.
 Kirkland, A. H. Bazemore.

VALDOSTA DISTRICT.

H. Stubbs, P. E.

Valdosta, J. E. Wray.
 Quitman, Bascom Sentell.
 Cordele, W. W. Stewart.
 Ashburn and Sycamore, J. C. Flanders.
 Tifton, C. E. Crawley.
 Adel, J. D. Snider.
 Lake Park, to be supplied by S. S. Kemp.
 Morven and McDonald, W. C. Glenn.
 Moultrie, W. H. Budd.
 Sumner, S. W. Brown.
 Sylvester, Jason Shirah.
 Fitzgerald, W. M. Blitch.
 Alapaha, E. L. Padrick.
 Milltown, G. H. Martin.
 Arabi, Robert P. Fain.
 Hahira, J. W. Connors.
 Mystic, to be supplied by J. M. Bryan.
 Worth, to be supplied by W. A. King.
 Greenfield, to be supplied by J. W. Wells.
 Berrien, E. E. Rose.

DUBLIN DISTRICT.

O. A. Thrower, P. E.

Dublin, J. W. Domingos.
 Dudley Mission, C. A. Moore.
 Brewton Circuit, J. T. Mims.
 Lovett Circuit, N. T. Pafford.
 Wrightsville Station, W. F. Hixson.
 Wrightsville Circuit, F. M. C. Eads.
 Adrian Circuit, L. O. Lewis.
 Swainsboro Circuit, J. M. Foster.
 Cobbtown, to be supplied by S. J. Davis
 and G. B. Cashwell.
 Statesboro Station, B. F. Riley.
 Woodburn Circuit, E. D. Phillips.
 Hagan Circuit, J. L. Rast.
 Reidsville Circuit, J. W. Tinley.
 Glennville Circuit, J. M. Rustin.
 Altamaha Circuit, C. E. Boland.
 Higgston Circuit, D. D. Bateman; one to
 be supplied.
 Summertown Circuit, I. F. Carey.
 Bullock Mission, W. J. Nease.

NORTH MISSISSIPPI CONFERENCE.

HELD AT OXFORD, MISS., DECEMBER 8-13, 1897.

BISHOP WILSON, *President*; J. S. OAKLEY, *Secretary*.

QUESTION 1. Who are admitted on trial?
ANSWER. Joseph R. Wilson, Robert S. Lawson, William T. Browning, Willard R. Williams, James B. Mitchell, Earl A. Tucker. 6.

Ques. 2. Who remain on trial? James E. Cunningham, R. A. Tucker, R. E. Duke, T. A. Wilson. 4.

Ques. 3. Who are discontinued? H. D. Eakes, T. N. Butler, at their own request. 2.

Ques. 4. Who are admitted into full connection? S. A. Brown, G. A. Klein, J. W. Raper, J. J. Garner, C. P. Moss, W. L. Anderson, S. B. Cox, W. F. Rogers. 8.

Ques. 5. Who are readmitted? None.

Ques. 6. Who are received by transfer from other Conferences? J. H. Bass, from the Indian Mission Conference. 1.

Ques. 7. Who are the deacons of one year? B. P. Patterson, J. R. Countiss, J. H. Rogers. 3.

Ques. 8. What traveling preachers are elected deacons? Stephen A. Brown, Chas P. Moss, William L. Anderson, Samuel B. Cox. 4.

Ques. 9. What traveling preachers are ordained deacons? S. A. Brown, C. P. Moss, W. L. Anderson, S. B. Cox. 4.

Ques. 10. What local preachers are elected deacons? Joseph R. Wilson, Robert S. Lawson, Thomas H. Haines, J. D. Simpson. 4.

Ques. 11. What local preachers are ordained deacons? J. R. Wilson, R. S. Lawson, T. H. Haines, J. D. Simpson, E. C. Sullivan. 5.

Ques. 12. What traveling preachers are elected elders? Hal S. Spragins, Charles A. Spragins, John M. Moose, John M. Bradley, James M. Deavenport, P. E. Duncan, Thomas H. Dorsey. 7.

Ques. 13. What traveling preachers are ordained elders? H. S. Spragins, C. A. Spragins, J. M. Moose, J. M. Bradley, J. M. Deavenport, P. E. Duncan, T. H. Dorsey. 7.

Ques. 14. What local preachers are elected elders? None.

Ques. 15. What local preachers are ordained elders? None.

Ques. 16. Who are located this year? W. G. Burks. at his own request. 1.

Ques. 17. Who are supernumerary? W. A. Dollar. 1.

Ques. 18. Who are superannuated? C. N. Terry, J. W. Bates, J. M. Hampton, W. R. Rainey, W. S. Harrison, J. T. Cunningham, S. A. Ellis, S. B. Carson, A. J. Jones,

J. Johnson, J. W. Poston, J. D. Newsom, T. L. Foster. 13.

Ques. 19. What preachers have died during the past year? J. W. Luter, J. T. Howell, J. A. Braswell. 3.

JESSE WILKERSON LUTER, son of the Rev. Elisha and Cynthia Luter, was born February 21, 1835, in Robertson county, Tenn. He was converted at the early age of fifteen; licensed to preach March, 1855; admitted on trial in the Tennessee Conference October, 1856; received into the Conference October, 1858; ordained deacon by Bishop Andrew October, 1858; ordained elder by Bishop Pierce October, 1860; was married to Miss M. A. Land June 30, 1858; died February 26, 1897. The long, hard battle of life has been fought, and the soldier has at last found rest in honorable discharge, and is at home. We sit to-day mid the shadows, and our hearts are sad in their loneliness and grief, but our glorified friend and brother has passed through the gates into the city and enjoys his rich reward. Brother Luter was a good, true, and faithful man. If we were called upon to name any one virtue that specially characterized him, we would, without any hesitation, say that fidelity to every duty, to God and man, was that which above all else characterized and distinguished this man of God. He was broad and liberal in his views of Christian communion, holding to the essential, vital truths of the gospel with all others, but he was a devoted lover of his Church community, and was one with her both in economy and polity. You always knew where to find Jesse Luter when any important issue was pending, and required courage to meet it. He had the moral courage that could die, but never compromise, where truth and honor were involved. He was heroic and noble to the last degree. Brother Luter's married life was a happy one, and the fond and devoted wife and children mourn for him with a sorrow that heaven alone can cure. How tender and gracious he was in his home! They love his memory, and sadly do they miss his wise and fatherly counsel. His health had not been strong for a time before his death, but the earnest, faithful man would work to the last, and beyond his strength. But the Master calls his servant to quit the field and come up to his reward, and while yet preparing for

his Quarterly Conference the heart that warmed to everything that was good and true is soon to be still in death. He ate a light breakfast and humorously made some remark to his daughter Jennie, who had scarce quit the room when a sound as of a struggle was heard, and ere the wife and daughter could reach him he was speechless and rapidly sinking. He died as quietly as a child entering on sleep. His record is on high, and his work of love and duty abide. The wife and two daughters—one the wife of an itinerant preacher, Mrs. R. I. Allen—and five sons are left to mourn for their noble and devoted loved one. The last sad rites of burial were performed at the Methodist Church in Winona. He sleeps well in the city of the dead. May all the family meet around our Father's house!

J. T. HOWELL, son of T. J. and R. A. Howell, was born in Montgomery county, N. C., September 30, 1858, and died at West, Miss., August 6, 1897. Brother Howell received the last years of his education at the Southwestern Presbyterian University, Clarksville, Tenn. When thirteen years of age he was converted and joined the Presbyterian Church near Vaiden, Carroll county, Miss. In the words of one who for some time was his teacher, "Joe was always a good boy, and sat among the members near the pulpit." In the early life of our brother his father located near Black Hawk, where he died, leaving to Joe the care of his mother and little sisters. To this sacred trust he was ever faithful, and his devotion to his aged mother was beautiful. He clung to her to the very last. He was most happily married to Miss Allean Brewer, December 23, 1885. God gave them seven children, three of whom have preceded him to the better land. Brother Howell united with the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, in 1886, and in October of the same year was licensed to preach. He was admitted on trial at Winona, November 23, 1887; received into the Conference at Holly Springs in 1889, at which time he was ordained deacon by Bishop Galloway. He was ordained elder at Corinth by Bishop Granbery in 1892. Brother Howell was a preacher of no mean ability. He possessed a cheerful disposition and an attractive manner which won for him many friends. He was gifted in song, and often have his own eyes filled and his congregation melted to tears while he sang some sweet song of Zion. He was always hopeful. During the long months of his last sickness he never felt nor looked despondent. He was so devoted to the ministry and the work that it was a source of grief to give them up. He quietly fell on sleep, leaving his weeping wife and four little girls sorely bereft. His aged mother and sister bade him farewell to meet in heaven.

Thus passed away one of our bright, promising, hopeful young men in the full strength of manhood. May the rich blessings of God rest upon the bereaved family and the brotherhood, that we may be as ready to die as he was!

JACOB AARON BRASWELL was born in North Mississippi, July 26, 1861; died at Taylor, Miss., December 6, 1897. At the age of fifteen years he professed faith in Christ and joined the Methodist Church at Longtown, Miss. In the fall of 1886 he removed to Louisiana and spent one year in the Delhi District, in the bounds of which he was licensed to preach by the Rev. J. D. Harper, presiding elder. He was an efficient local preacher from that time until admitted on trial in the North Mississippi Conference one year ago. At that time he was appointed to Water Valley Circuit, which he had served the year previous as a supply. The two years spent on that circuit were crowned with wonderful results. Fully consecrated to Christ, he was too busy bringing souls to Christ to seek his own notoriety. He lived so close to the Saviour that he was never known to work for the advancement of his own selfish interests. Engaged in the most wonderful work in this world, he did not stop to listen to flattering words, nor to be hindered by perversions. He was a scriptural preacher, and the Holy Ghost honored and blessed his ministry. With a heart full of the love of Christ, he "visited from house to house," instructing the children, helping the weak, and comforting the bereaved. "A man full of faith and the Holy Ghost," gracious revivals resulted from his labors. He looked after all the interests of the Church. He possessed all the elements of a successful itinerant Methodist preacher, and he used personal and organized efforts to develop the membership of the Church. Wise enough to know that a "prudent wife is from the Lord," he was happily married to one who has helped him and was in full sympathy with his work. The five precious children will be guided by a consecrated mother, who knows the way of life. His holy life and good works cannot be confined to his own home and Church. Among the first to pay worthy tributes to his memory and to weep at his grave were members of other Churches and those who do not belong to any Church. While we have placed his remains in the grave, brother J. A. Braswell lives forever.

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

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

Sardis District.

	Mem- bers.	Loc'l Pr's.
Sardis Station.....	112	.....
Como Station.....	114	.....
Senatobia Station.....	220	.....
Arkabuta Circuit.....	131	2
Hernando and Coldwater.....	166	.....
Nesbit Circuit.....	247	.....
Pleasant Hill Circuit.....	342	.....
Cockrum Circuit.....	516	1
Wall Hill Circuit.....	249	1
Tyro Circuit.....	610	1
Longtown Circuit.....	363	2
Pleasant Grove Circuit.....	340	2
Batesville and Wesley.....	95	.....
Courtland Circuit.....	387	.....
Eureka Circuit.....	383	.....
Burgess Mission.....	206	2
Total	4,481	11

Grenada District.

Grenada Station.....	290	.....
Grenada Circuit.....	898	1
Water Valley: Wood Street.....	353	1
Main Street.....	152	2
Water Valley Circuit.....	500	4
Coffeeville Circuit.....	256	1
Charleston Circuit.....	380	1
Oxford Station.....	252	1
Toccopola Circuit.....	515	.....
Paris Circuit.....	516	3
Slate Springs Circuit.....	268	2
Minter City and Strathmore.....	60	.....
Chapel Hill Circuit.....	300	1
Tatum Circuit.....	245	.....
Pittsboro Circuit.....	517	1
Elzey Circuit.....	306	4
Banner Circuit.....	156	1
Total	5,526	28

Winona District.

Winona Station.....	266	.....
Winona Circuit.....	595	2
Vaiden Circuit.....	364	1
Carrollton Station.....	323	1
Carrollton Circuit.....	537	2
Greenwood Station.....	201	.....
West Circuit.....	320	1
Black Hawk Circuit.....	510	1
McNitt Circuit.....	185	.....
Indianola and Faison.....	144	.....
Dublin and Brooklyn.....	144	.....
Sidon Circuit.....	210	1
Total	3,809	9

Durant District.

Durant Station.....	185	1
Koscisko Station.....	253	2
Sallis Circuit.....	334	3
Ackerman Circuit.....	530	1
Ethel Circuit.....	668	2
Rural Hill Circuit.....	358	.....
Salem Circuit.....	357	.....
Belzona Circuit.....	309	1
Lexington and Tchula.....	190	3
Pickens Circuit.....	192	.....
Ebenezer Circuit.....	407	1
Louisville Circuit.....	388	.....
Eupora and Maben.....	217	.....
Walthall Circuit.....	495	2
Chester Circuit.....	785	.....
Poplar Creek Circuit.....	676	.....
Total	6,394	16

Columbus District.

Columbus Station.....	546	2
Columbus Circuit.....	468	1
Crawford Circuit.....	236	.....
Brooksville Circuit.....	344	.....
Macon Station.....	254	1
Starkville Station.....	291	.....
West Point Station.....	278	.....

Columbus District (Continued).

	Mem- bers.	Loc'l Pr's.
Tibbee Circuit.....	189	.....
Winstonville Circuit.....	290	.....
Shuqualak Circuit.....	357	.....
Singleton Mission.....	153	.....
Hebron Circuit.....	200	.....
Cedar Bluff Circuit.....	219	.....
Sturgis Circuit.....	514	1
Starkville Circuit.....	281	1
Total	4,530	6

Aberdeen District.

Aberdeen Station.....	888	3
Aberdeen Circuit.....	537	2
Okolona Station.....	235	.....
Okolona Circuit.....	925	.....
Tapelo Station.....	773	2
Verona and Nettleton.....	249	.....
Prairie Circuit.....	159	.....
Sparta Circuit.....	432	.....
Shannon Circuit.....	450	1
Fulton Circuit.....	436	4
Nettleton Circuit.....	614	2
Amory and Smithville.....	330	2
Quincy Circuit.....	397	.....
Tremont Circuit.....	657	2
Houston and Wesley.....	320	1
Houston Mission.....	266	.....
Buena Vista Circuit.....	425	1
Total	6,323	20

Corinth District.

Corinth Station.....	348	1
Corinth Circuit.....	435	4
Iuka Station.....	210	2
Iuka Circuit.....	415	.....
Kossuth Circuit.....	655	3
Jonesboro Circuit.....	504	1
Booneville Station.....	250	1
Booneville Circuit.....	369	4
Marietta Circuit.....	600	1
Guntown Circuit.....	420	2
Blue Springs Circuit.....	571	.....
Ripley and New Albany.....	260	.....
Ripley Circuit.....	437	1
New Albany Circuit.....	473	3
Brown's Creek Circuit.....	765	.....
Saltillo Circuit.....	420	1
Pleasant Ridge Circuit.....	369	1
Total	7,501	25

Holly Springs District.

Holly Springs Station.....	280	1
Holly Springs Circuit.....	141	.....
East Holly Springs Circuit.....	281	1
Ashland Circuit.....	285	.....
Cornersville Circuit.....	351	.....
Pontotoc Circuit.....	430	.....
Potts Camp Circuit.....	421	1
Waterford Circuit.....	362	1
Red Banks Circuit.....	250	.....
Mount Pleasant Circuit.....	240	1
Byhalia Circuit.....	500	2
Olive Branch Circuit.....	255	1
Abbeville Circuit.....	414	.....
Total	4,210	8

Greenville District.

Greenville Station.....	235	.....
Greenville Circuit.....	20	.....
Arcola and Hollandale.....	102	.....
Shaw Station.....	63	.....
Lehrton and New Salem.....	373	1
Cleveland Circuit.....	280	.....
Shelby and Duncan.....	112	.....
Clarksdale Station.....	73	.....
Jonestown Station.....	66	.....
Belen Circuit.....	122	1
Lula Circuit.....	94	.....
Austin Circuit.....	60	.....

Greenville District (Continued).

	Mem- bers.	Loc'l Pr's.
Tanna Circuit.....	69	1
Friar's Point Station.....	95	.....
Hillhouse Circuit.....	104	.....
Gunnison Station.....	189	.....
Rosedale Station.....	41	.....
Bolivar Circuit.....	71	.....
	2,171	3

Recapitulation.

Sardis District.....	4,481	11
Grenada District.....	5,526	23
Winona District.....	3,809	9
Durant District.....	6,394	16
Columbus District.....	4,530	6
Aberdeen District.....	6,323	20
Corinth District.....	7,501	25
Holly Springs District.....	4,210	8
Greenville District.....	2,171	3
Total this year.....	44,950	121
Total last year.....	44,517	118
Increase.....	433	3

Ques. 22. How many infants have been baptized during the year? 539.

Ques. 23. How many adults have been baptized during the year? 1,825.

Ques. 24. What is the number of Epworth Leagues? 89.

Ques. 25. What is the number of Epworth League members? 3,069.

Ques. 26. What is the number of Sunday schools? 464.

Ques. 27. What is the number of Sunday-school teachers? 2,521.

Ques. 28. What is the number of Sunday-school scholars? 22,332.

Ques. 29. What amount is necessary for the superannuated preachers and the widows and orphans of preachers? \$4,020.

Ques. 30. What has been collected on the foregoing account? and how has it been applied? \$3,773.09.

Ques. 31. What has been contributed for Missions? Foreign Missions, \$7,885.20; Domestic Missions, \$2,455.27. Total, \$10,340.47.

Ques. 32. What has been contributed for Church Extension? \$2,166.37.

Ques. 33. What has been done for the American Bible Society? \$569.20.

Ques. 34. What has been contributed for the support of presiding elders and preachers in charge? Presiding elders, \$9,970.32; preachers in charge, \$65,760.60.

Ques. 35. What has been contributed for the support of bishops? \$1,217.35.

Ques. 36. What is the number of societies, and the number and estimated value of church edifices? Societies, 469; church edifices, 503; value, \$480,330.

Ques. 37. What is the number of pastoral charges, and the number and value of parsonages owned by them? Charges, 144; parsonages, 121; value, \$114,426.

Ques. 38. What is the number and value of district parsonages? Number, 6.

Ques. 39. What are the educational statistics? Millsaps College: Value of prop-

erty, \$70,000. Grenada Collegiate Institute: Value of property, \$40,000.

Ques. 40. Where shall the next session of the Conference be held? Aberdeen, Miss.

Ques. 41. Where are the preachers stationed this year?

SARDIS DISTRICT.

T. C. Weir, P. E.

Sardis Station, Amos Kendall.

Como Station, R. O. Brown.

Senatobia Station, H. T. Gaines.

Arkabutla, G. H. Jacobs.

Coldwater and Hernando, P. E. Duncan.

Nesbit, G. A. Klein.

Cockrum, J. R. D. King.

Tyro, W. J. Burt.

Pleasant Grove, R. P. Goar.

Batesville and Wesley, W. D. McCullough.

Courtland, L. M. Lipscomb.

Eureka, L. D. Worsham.

Charleston, W. W. Williams.

GRENADA DISTRICT.

H. C. Morehead, P. E.

Grenada Station, T. W. Lewis.

Grenada Circuit, W. M. Young.

Water Valley: Wood Street, J. A. Bowen.

Main Street, H. P. Gibbs.

Water Valley Circuit, A. P. Leech.

Coffeeville, O. L. Savage.

Oxford Station, R. M. Standefer.

Toccopola, C. C. Grisham.

Paris, E. H. Rook.

Slate Springs, D. M. Geddie.

Minter City and Strathmore, R. G. Porter.

Chapel Hill, R. C. Calloway.

Tatum, to be supplied by J. W. Pittman.

Pittsboro, J. M. Huggin.

Elzey, J. H. Rogers.

Banner, to be supplied by G. L. Morehead.

Grenada Collegiate Institute, J. W. Malone, President; W. M. McIntosh, Agent.

WINONA DISTRICT.

J. B. Stone, P. E.

Winona Station, George H. Lipscomb.

Winona Circuit, J. Richey.

Vaiden, J. F. Evans.

Carrollton Station, H. T. Cunningham.

Carrollton Circuit, W. H. Sanders.

Greenwood Station, J. H. Mitchell.

West, T. G. Freeman.

Black Hawk, W. C. Lester.

McNutt, J. W. Price.

Indianola and Faison, W. T. Browning.

Dublin and Brooklyn, B. B. Sullivan.

Sidon and Ittabena, G. W. Gordon.

DURANT DISTRICT.

J. S. Oakley, P. E.

Durant Station, N. G. Augustus.

Kosciusko Station, J. C. Park.

Sallis, A. T. Buck.

Ackerman, R. M. Evans.
 Ethel, J. W. Treadwell.
 Rural Hill, to be supplied by E. B. Freeman.
 Salem, A. J. Foster.
 Belzona, J. H. Bass.
 Lexington and Tchula, W. W. Mitchell.
 Pickens, J. C. Lowe.
 Ebenezer, J. A. Wilson.
 Louisville, D. W. Babb.
 Eupora and Maben, D. L. Cogdell.
 Walthall, to be supplied by A. H. Mitchell.
 Chester, W. L. Anderson.
 Poplar Creek, J. J. Garner.
 Student at Millsaps College, J. B. Mitchell.
 Millsaps College, W. B. Murrah, President.
 Conference Colporteur and Sunday-school Agent, G. W. Bachman.

COLUMBUS DISTRICT.

R. A. Burroughs, P. E.

Columbus Station, W. T. Bolling.
 Columbus Circuit, E. Johnson.
 Crawford, T. Cameron.
 Brookville, J. A. Leech.
 Macon Station, J. A. Randolph.
 Starkville Station, T. Y. Ramsey.
 Starkville Circuit, A. P. Sage.
 West Point Station, W. S. Lagrone.
 Tibbee, H. S. Spragins.
 Winstonville, J. M. Deavenport.
 Shuqualak, M. E. Tumlin.
 La Grange Circuit, to be supplied by J. H. Barrantine.
 Hebron, J. M. Barnes.
 Cedar Bluff, E. A. Tucker.
 Sturgis, J. M. Massey; W. A. Dollar, Sup.
 Student at Vanderbilt University, B. P. Patterson.

ABERDEEN DISTRICT.

S. M. Thomas, P. E.

Aberdeen Station, W. W. Woollard.
 Aberdeen Circuit, R. A. Tucker.
 Okalona Station, K. A. Jones.
 Okalona Circuit, E. P. Craddock.
 Tupelo Station, R. E. Meek.
 Verona and Nettleton, J. W. Anderson.
 Prairie, W. J. O'Bryant.
 Montpelier, J. W. Raper.
 Shannon, B. F. Phillips.
 Fulton, J. R. Wilson.
 Nettleton Circuit, H. M. Young.
 Amory and Smithville, K. M. Harrison.
 Quincy, to be supplied by J. T. Derritt.
 Tremont, to be supplied by J. L. Sanders.
 Houston and Wesley, J. W. Bell.
 Houston Mission, to be supplied by W. W. Davis.
 Buena Vista, W. A. Bowlin.

CORINTH DISTRICT.

H. R. Tucker, P. E.

Corinth Station, W. T. J. Sullivan.
 Corinth Circuit, B. T. Fullilove.
 Iuka Station, J. H. Shumaker.

Iuka Circuit, W. F. Rogers.
 Kossuth, M. H. Honnoll.
 Jonesboro, S. B. Cox.
 Booneville Station, T. B. Clifford.
 Booneville Circuit, W. A. Clark.
 Marietta, W. R. Williams.
 Guntown, D. C. Foust.
 Blue Springs, to be supplied by H. C. Parrott.
 Ripley and New Albany, J. M. Wyatt.
 Ripley Circuit, B. S. Rayner.
 New Albany Circuit, J. Porter.
 Brown's Creek, to be supplied by John D. Simpson.
 Saltillo, to be supplied by E. C. Sullivan.
 Belmont, to be supplied by W. A. Wood.
 Student at Southern University, W. L. Graves.

HOLLY SPRINGS DISTRICT.

J. D. Cameron, P. E.

Holly Springs Station, W. S. Shipman.
 Holly Springs Circuit, J. A. Poe.
 East Holly Springs, to be supplied by B. C. Gray.
 Ashland, C. P. Moss.
 Cornersville, J. B. Harris.
 Pontotoc, J. W. Ramsey.
 Potts Camp, F. A. Whitson.
 Waterford, R. E. Duke.
 Red Banks, M. D. Fly.
 Mt. Pleasant, B. P. Jaco.
 Byhalia, R. M. Davis.
 Olive Branch, R. I. Allen.
 Abbeville, A. W. Langley.
 Wall Hill, J. H. Smith.
 Pleasant Hill, W. D. Burroughs.
 Epworth College, J. W. Honnoll, President.
 Assistant Editor of the Christian Advocate, J. W. Boswell.
 Secretary Epworth League, S. A. Steel.

GREENVILLE DISTRICT.

J. W. Dorman, P. E.

Greenville Station, J. E. Thomas.
 Greenville Circuit, J. E. Cunningham.
 Arcola and Hollandale, H. P. Crowe.
 Shaw Station, E. S. Lewis.
 Lehrton, to be supplied by J. W. McGee.
 Cleveland, T. H. Dorsey.
 Shelby and Duncan, C. H. Pittman.
 Clarksdale Station, J. P. Murrah.
 Jonestown Station, J. J. Brooks.
 Belen Circuit, R. S. Lawson.
 Lula, J. M. Bradley.
 Austin Circuit, S. A. Brown.
 Tunica, T. W. Dye.
 Friar's Point Station, W. C. Harris.
 Hillhouse, J. M. Moose.
 Gunnison Station, R. H. B. Gladney.
 Rosedale, S. B. Myers.
 Bolivar, J. R. Countiss.
 New Salem, to be supplied by L. A. McKeown.
 Student at Vanderbilt University, J. C. Mimms.

Transferred.—J. E. Buck, to the West Texas Conference; C. A. Spragins, to the North Texas Conference; J. W. Lowrance, to the Memphis Conference; L. M. Broyles, to the Holston Conference.

TEXAS CONFERENCE.

HELD AT BRYAN, TEX., DECEMBER 8-13, 1897.

BISHOP GRANBERY, *President*; SETH WARD, *Secretary*.

QUESTION 1. Who are admitted on trial?
ANSWER. Nathan Powell, John C. Cameron, John W. Bergin, John R. Warlick, M. E. Diehl. 5.

Ques. 2. Who remain on trial? Ellie C. Keith, George R. Ray, Willis E. Washburn. 3.

Ques. 3. Who are discontinued? None.

Ques. 4. Who are admitted into full connection? Charles U. McLarty. 1.

Ques. 5. Who are readmitted? None.

Ques. 6. Who are received by transfer from other Conferences? C. J. Oxley, from the New Mexico Conference; W. T. Melugin, from the Northwest Texas Conference; R. E. Nunn, from the Denver Conference. 3.

Ques. 7. Who are the deacons of one year? E. P. Newsom, W. R. Campbell, C. B. Garrett, M. L. Lindsey, B. W. Allen, E. A. Potts, H. R. Kimbler, J. C. Stewart, C. E. Simpson, John W. Thompson, E. M. Myers, M. F. Daniel, J. L. Yeats, R. E. Nunn. 14.

Ques. 8. What traveling preachers are elected deacons? Charles U. McLarty. 1.

Ques. 9. What traveling preachers are ordained deacons? Charles U. McLarty. 1.

Ques. 10. What local preachers are elected deacons? William S. Tomey, John W. Bergin, John R. Warlick, William W. Edgar, Elijah F. Walker. 5.

Ques. 11. What local preachers are ordained deacons? William S. Tomey, John W. Bergin, John R. Warlick, William W. Edgar, Elijah F. Walker. 5.

Ques. 12. What traveling preachers are elected elders? Joseph C. Moore, Jesse A. McIver, John R. Murray, William D. Gaskins. 4.

Ques. 13. What traveling preachers are ordained elders? Joseph C. Moore, John R. Murray, Jesse A. McIver, William D. Gaskins. 4.

Ques. 14. What local preachers are elected elders? Nathan Powell, John Eichwurz. 2.

Ques. 15. What local preachers are ordained elders? Nathan Powell, John Eichwurz. 2.

Ques. 16. Who are located this year? R. T. Blackburn, J. B. Nutter, G. E. Clothier, at their own request. 3.

Ques. 17. Who are supernumerary? None.

Ques. 18. Who are superannuated? F. A. McShan, D. H. Linebaugh, T. W. Blake, John H. Davidson, James M. Wesson, Wesley Smith, W. K. Turner, W. G. Nelms, Gideon Powledge, George C. Stovall, H. V. Philpott. 11.

Ques. 19. What preachers have died during the past year? Isaac G. John. 1.

ISAAC G. JOHN, D.D.—The subjoined letter reveals the mainspring of Dr. John's life work. If he could not go to the heathen with the gospel, he could work at home for those who could go, and this he did with a zeal that sought no rest and a faith that knew no wavering. God delights to honor such persistent effort and unyielding faith in his service, and has so honored Dr. John:

NASHVILLE, TENN., Nov. 21, 1896.

To the Bishop and Members of the Texas Annual Conference, Bastrop, Texas:

DEAR BROTHERS: My health has improved since last year, but my physicians counsel that I should not venture alone so far. I have greatly desired to meet the Conference at Bastrop. It is linked with sacred memories. I was ordained elder at its altar by Bishop Paine forty-five years ago, and was many years its pastor and presiding elder. We had glorious revivals within its walls and triumphant victories at the camp ground along the Colorado valley. I would gladly meet with remaining comrades at the present Conference, but am sure I will meet with many more when I am called to cross the river. As I may never answer roll call in my Conference again, may I be allowed to mention an incident that has profoundly impressed my ministerial life? At that time the following rule was in the Discipline. It has been stricken out, but I often think it should be again restored. It reads: "At each Annual Conference, those who are received on trial, or are admitted into full connection, shall be asked whether they are willing to devote themselves to the missionary work; and a list of the names of all who are willing to do so shall be taken and reported to the Secretary of the Mission Board; and all such shall be considered as ready and willing to be employed as missionaries, whenever called for by any one of the bishops." I was preparing for deacon's orders, and this question before the Conference was to me a matter of profound concern. The General Conference in 1846, without

a dissenting voice, had decided to enter the work of foreign missions, and China had been chosen as the field. Taylor and Jenkins had been accepted. When Bishop Andrew preached his sermon on the occasion of their ordination as elders he closed with deep regret that, "instead of a forlorn hope of two missionaries to be sent from the Southern Methodist Church, it was not in his power to send a band of fifty faithful men to the benighted millions of the Flowery Kingdom." Why should I not answer this call? With earnest prayer I reexamined the commission of our Lord. "The field was the world." Without sufficient reason to stay, I must go.

In those days our presiding elders were the counselors of the younger preachers, and I went to brother Alexander for advice. He listened thoughtfully, and fully indorsed the breadth of the great commission, but said: "Two years ago the Conference doubted whether it could receive you on trial, as but few expected you would live two years. Bishop Capers said: 'Young preachers are needed in this new land. This candidate is willing to go. He may do much work in two years. We had better accept him.' These words decided your admission. Now the case is different. For the foreign field, men of feeble health are never accepted. It is useless for you to volunteer, for Bishop Andrew is calling only for vigorous men."

Several times since then I have felt that less than two years of labor seemed all that was allowed me, and yet I still remain in the ranks, until brother Wesson and myself alone linger on the Texas Conference roll, while those who received appointments from Bishop Capers have answered the roll call in heaven.

If spared another year, I will have ranked effective a half century in the Texas Conference. I will be grateful if the Conference will still leave me on the effective list.

May the grace of God rest on the bishop and Conference, and bless each charge the coming year.

Yours in Christ,

I. G. JOHN.

Isaac G. John was born in Brookville, Ind., January 14, 1827. He was converted at Wesley Chapel in Cincinnati, Ohio, in 1841, under the ministry of the Rev. E. W. Sehon, D.D. He united with the Methodist Episcopal Church in Cincinnati in 1841, placing his membership in Wesley Chapel, at whose altar he was converted. He came to Texas in 1845 and located in Galveston, where he was licensed to preach in 1847 by Chancy Richardson. He was admitted on trial in the Texas Conference at Chappell Hill in the autumn of 1847, Bishop Capers presiding; and ordained deacon by Bishop Paine in 1849 at Seguin, and an elder by Bishop Paine in 1852 at Bastrop, having been elected to that office the year before. Dr. John began and ended his itinerant career as a member of the Texas Conference. His appointments were as follows: Richmond Circuit, 1848; Ruttersville Circuit, 1849; Washington Circuit, 1850-51; Bastrop Station, 1852-53; Bastrop Circuit, 1854; Lockhart Circuit, 1855; Bastrop Station, 1856; Bible Agent, 1857; presiding elder of Austin District, 1858; Bible Agent, 1859-60; presiding elder of Waco District, 1861; presiding elder of La Grange District, 1862-63; presiding elder of Austin District, 1864-66. He was elected editor of the *Texas Christian Advocate* in 1866, in which position he labored until the close of 1884—eighteen years of heroic effort, crowned with brilliant success. He was appointed to Huntsville Station in 1885, where he remained until May, 1886, at which time, in Richmond, Va.,

he was elected Secretary of the Board of Missions by the General Conference. Dr. John served the Church as a member of the Board of Missions for twelve years, from 1874 to 1886; and as Secretary eight years, from 1886 to 1894. From 1894 until the time of his death he was connected with the work of the Board of Missions, chiefly as the editor of our missionary periodicals. He was elected a member of the General Conference in 1866, 1870, 1874, 1878, 1886, and 1890. He was a reserve delegate in 1882 and in 1894. During the period of his editorship of the *Texas Christian Advocate* he served the following charges: Ryland Chapel, Galveston, 1870; presiding elder of the Galveston District, 1874-75; St. James Church, Galveston, 1876-77. Dr. John was a thoroughly devout man, and wholly consecrated to the service of God—a man of one work, ready and prepared for any field for which the Church might call him. The Christian life within him developed normally, passing on from intellectual stages through all the intermediate degrees of expansion until at last it ripened into a rich and beautiful maturity. For a half century his character was unchallenged. He was a man of clean lips and a pure heart. His religion made and kept him happy. Amiability and cheerfulness were conspicuous traits in his character. He deserved and possessed many friends whose devotion to him was far from ordinary. Duty was his lifelong watchword, and fidelity to that duty was most conspicuous in all his life work. He was a good man and true, full of faith and the Holy Ghost. Dr. John's long career as an itinerant Methodist preacher was a brilliant success. His endowments and attainments were great; and by wise and diligent use of his talents he qualified himself for large and abundant usefulness. He reached a position of eminence, and all through life wielded a powerful influence for good. In the early days of his ministry it was said that "mission work in Texas was bounded on the north by the Indian Territory, on the east by Arkansas and Louisiana, on the south by the Gulf of Mexico, and on the west by the providence of God." When he began his itinerant career there were in this vast territory about five thousand Methodists; to-day there are two hundred thousand. Then, there was one weak Conference; now, there are five strong American Conferences, one German and one Mexican Conference. No man has done more to achieve these grand results than Dr. John. Twice he had his camp meetings broken up by Indian raids. He saw men and women converted at the mourner's bench while armed sentinels were guarding the camp. In the early fifties he witnessed the conversion of the first Mexican Methodist. Poor pay, hard fare, rough roads, and often no roads,

swimming dangerous streams, sleeping in crowded cabins, and sometimes on the prairie or in the woods, saluted by the scream of the panther or the howl of the wolf. The preacher was expected to take his share in defending the settlement against Indians. To wear a revolver was no reflection on his piety. He sometimes found more guns than hymn books in his congregation. All these things, and many more like them, came in Dr. John's early experience as an itinerant preacher. There were two sources of relief—duty done, and the joyous, hearty, and never-failing hospitality of the "old Texans"; Dr. John enjoyed a large measure of both of these. No man has done more than he to bring about the changed state of things as we now enjoy them. He stamped with the impress of his fine character the Methodism of Texas, and may justly be numbered with the fathers of Texas Methodism. As a preacher, he was clear, logical, and often eloquent; as a writer, his style was easy, fluent, and forcible; as a Church officer he was diligent, faithful, and true. No interest ever suffered in his hands. In doing the work assigned to him by the Church he was happy and joyous, and left a track of light wherever he went. Stainless in his personal life and efficient in his official administration, he bequeaths to his family and friends the legacy of a good name, and to the Church the memory of a good example and a well-spent life. The honorable positions to which he was called show the high esteem in which he was held by his brethren. He labored with the utmost fidelity to preserve and promote the sacred interests intrusted to his hands. Nor did he labor in vain. The blessing of God was upon his toil, and fruitage of his consecrated and zealous life will enrich the Church for years to come. "A prince and a great man has fallen." The Church has lost a great and good man; we have lost a friend. In 1852 Dr. John was married, in Bastrop county, to Miss Ruth A. Eblon. Seven children blessed their union, six of whom survive him. A few years after the death of his first wife he married Mrs. Jane Vaughan, of Gallatin, Tenn., who survives him. Dr. John died in Nashville, Tenn., March 17, 1897. He passed away painlessly and in perfect peace. Thus vanishes from the earthly arena a faithful and efficient soldier of the cross. Upon the announcement of his death a meeting of ministers and laymen was called at the Methodist Publishing House in Nashville, March 19, at 2:30 P.M., to take suitable action on the death of Dr. John. Bishop Fitzgerald was called to the chair and W. M. Green officiated as secretary. Dr. H. C. Morrison led in prayer. Very appropriate and complimentary remarks on the life and character of the deceased were made by Bishop Fitzgerald, Bishop Har-

grove, Drs. R. K. Brown, H. C. Morrison, J. D. Barbee, D. C. Rankin, of the Presbyterian Church, J. W. Boswell, Col. E. W. Cole, and the Rev. G. W. Anderson. Drs. Brown, Morrison, and Green were appointed a committee to draft resolutions, and reported as follows:

Whereas, it seemed good to the Divine Head of the Church to remove our beloved brother, the Rev. I. G. John, D.D., from the activities and sorrows of earth to the rest and joys of heaven; therefore,

1. Resolved, That from a human view society suffers irreparable loss in the removal of a man so gentle, so pure and useful, from its moving circles.

2. That as a Church blessed with his efficient ministry for more than fifty years, and as brethren who enjoyed his lovely fellowship, we do truly cherish his memory, and strive to imitate his Christian and ministerial virtues.

3. That we deeply sympathize with his distressed loved ones, to whom he was the best of husbands and the tenderest of fathers.

4. That a copy of these resolutions be furnished the afflicted family.

These resolutions were adopted. The funeral service at 3:30 P.M. was held at the home of Dr. John, conducted by the brethren. Bishop Fitzgerald made remarks that were very touching, and Dr. W. R. Lambuth read a beautiful tribute. Drs. J. C. Morris, H. C. Morrison, R. K. Brown, and the Rev. J. J. Stowe assisted in the service.

The Woman's Board of Foreign Missions, in part, say of him:

Gentle as the beloved disciple in all the ordinary intercourse of life, he was bold and brave in the battle for the right. Where his personal interests alone were involved he could gracefully submit rather than strive; but if submission meant damage to the work committed to him by the Church, he was firm as a rock in demanding and maintaining these rights. He was every inch a man. The board would hereby express their appreciation of his sympathy with their work in all its departments; of his kind and courteous consideration for them when perplexed by problems difficult to solve; of his readiness to aid by word and pen the cause represented by this body.

Such was the estimate of Dr. John by the great men and women of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South.

On March 20 the sons of Dr. John left Nashville with the remains, for Georgetown, Texas, where a funeral service was held in the Methodist Church, March 23, conducted by the Rev. S. P. Wright. A very large congregation came to pay tribute to the memory of one they all loved. Dr. John R. Allen read a hymn, Dr. W. M. Hayes led in prayer, Dr. J. H. McLean read a deeply interesting paper on the life and labors of Dr. John, and feeling addresses were delivered by Dr. E. S. Smith, and the Revs. O. T. Hotchkiss and C. H. Brooks, after which the remains were taken in charge by the Masonic lodge and buried with Masonic honors in Georgetown cemetery. Thus end the life and labors of a great and good man.

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

by one, and their characters examined and passed.

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

Houston District.

	White Mem's.	Colored Mem's.	Loc'l Pr's.
Houston: Shearn.....	669		1
Tabernacle.....	217		2
Washington Street.....	371		3
McKee Street.....	286		2
City Mission.....	186		
Galveston: St. John's.....	319		3
St. James.....	198		
West End.....	120		
Richmond.....	138		1
Alvin.....	294		1
Columbia and Brazoria.....	150		2
Wharton and Hungerford.....	203		1
Angleton.....	364		2
Dickinson.....	221		
Matagorda.....	221	2	1
Cedar Bayou.....	259		2
Rosenberg.....	165		1
Patterson.....	269		
Total	4,600	2	30

Austin District.

Austin: Tenth Street.....	585		1
First Street.....	175		2
Hotchkiss Memorial.....	232		2
Merrilltown.....	161		
Manor.....	218		
Elgin.....	190		
Bastrop.....	141		1
Smithville.....	168		1
La Grange.....	216		1
Eagle Lake.....	107		1
Flatonia.....	261		2
Manchaca.....	333		2
Webberville.....	215		
McDade.....	206		3
Cedar Creek.....	173		1
Winchester.....	369		
Columbus.....	210		
Weimar and Osage.....	279		2
Total	4,239		19

Brenham District.

Brenham.....	321		2
Chappell Hill.....	191		1
Giddings.....	174		
Lyons.....	192		2
Cameron Station.....	300		2
Cameron Circuit.....	523		1
Davilla.....	410		7
Rockdale.....	152		
Bellville.....	280		
Deanville.....	180		
Milano.....	650		2
Sealy.....	200		1
Ben Arnold.....	185		3
Lexington.....	325		
Caldwell.....	175		
Maysfield.....	253		2
Pleasant Hill.....	360		2
Total	4,821		25

Calvert District.

Calvert.....	269		1
Bremond and Reagan.....	391		1
Marlin.....	24		1
Kosse and Alto.....	240		1
Durango.....	346		1
Fairfield.....	362		1
Hearne and Wheelock.....	139		1
Rogers Prairie.....	282		1
Centerville.....	358		
Petteway.....	287		1
Stranger and Harmony.....	266		1
Chilton and Lott.....	220		
Rosebud.....	443		2

Calvert District (Continued).

	White Mem's.	Colored Mem's.	Loc'l Pr's.
Personville.....	148		4
Franklin.....	146		
Mt. Vernon.....	418		2
Jewett.....	189		1
Buffalo and Oakwoods.....	281		2
Total	5,036		21

Huntsville District.

Huntsville.....	335		
Anderson.....	368		
Navasota.....	248		2
Courtney and Plantersville.....	294		1
Hockley.....	372		3
Conroe and Montgomery.....	230		
Dodge.....	315		2
Madisonville.....	405		
Prairie Plains.....	230		1
Zion.....	338		4
Hempstead and Waller.....	154		
Bryan.....	188		
Millican.....	369		1
Willis.....	205		
Cold Springs.....	267		
Total	4,318		14

Recapitulation.

Houston District.....	4,600	2	30
Austin District.....	4,239		19
Brenham District.....	4,821		25
Calvert District.....	5,036		21
Huntsville District.....	4,318		14
Total this year	23,014	2	109
Total last year	22,541		99
Increase	473	2	10

Ques. 22. How many infants have been baptized during the year? 655.

Ques. 23. How many adults have been baptized during the year? 729.

Ques. 24. What is the number of Epworth Leagues? 72.

Ques. 25. What is the number of Epworth League members? 2,392.

Ques. 26. What is the number of Sunday schools? 182.

Ques. 27. What is the number of Sunday-school teachers? 1,455.

Ques. 28. What is the number of Sunday-school scholars? 11,263.

Ques. 29. What amount is necessary for the superannuated preachers and the widows and orphans of preachers? \$4,110.

Ques. 30. What has been collected on the foregoing account? and how has it been applied? \$4,287.28. Applied to claimants.

Ques. 31. What has been contributed for Missions? Foreign Missions, \$4,175.33; Domestic Missions, \$3,269.72. Total, \$7,445.05.

Ques. 32. What has been contributed for Church Extension? \$1,373.

Ques. 33. What has ben done for the American Bible Society? \$120.69.

Ques. 34. What has been contributed for the support of presiding elders and preachers in charge? Presiding elders, \$6,659.56; preachers in charge, \$45,599.36.

Ques. 35. What has been contributed for the support of bishops? \$867.56.

Ques. 36. What is the number of societies, and the number and estimated value of church edifices? Societies, 249; church edifices, 187; value, \$361,644.75.

Ques. 37. What is the number of pastoral charges, and the number and value of parsonages owned by them? Charges, 86; parsonages, 72; value, \$72,210.

Ques. 38. What is the number and value of district parsonages? Number, 1; value, \$1,100.

Ques. 39. What are the educational statistics? Southwestern University: Officers and teachers, 22; students, 425; value of property, \$85,500. Chappell Hill Female College: Officers and teachers, 6; students, 60; value of property, \$12,000.

Ques. 40. Where shall the next session of the Conference be held? Houston, Texas.

Ques. 41. Where are the preachers stationed this year?

HOUSTON DISTRICT.

O. T. Hotchkiss, P. E.

Houston: Shearn Church, Seth Ward.
Washington Street, J. W. Horn.
McKee Street, J. W. McMahan.
The Tabernacle, D. H. Hotchkiss.
City Mission, C. A. Hooper.
Galveston: St. John's, W. D. Bradfield.
St. James, C. J. Oxley.
West End, Nathan Powell.
Richmond, S. W. Thomas.
Alvin Station, J. M. Adams.
Columbia and Brazoria, T. S. Williford.
Angleton, H. G. Williams.
Sandy Point, J. R. Warlick.
Wharton and Hungerford, J. R. Murray.
Matagorda, J. J. Callaway.
El Campo, J. W. Bergin.
Rosenberg, J. C. Stewart.
Patterson, B. J. Guess.
Cedar Bayou, L. P. Davis.
Dickinson, J. L. Yeats.

AUSTIN DISTRICT.

H. M. Sears, P. E.

Austin: Tenth Street, R. J. Briggs.
Hotchkiss Memorial, E. S. Smith.
First Street, E. G. Hocutt.
South Austin, M. E. Diehl.
Cypress Mission, to be supplied by D. W. Gardner.
Manchaca, J. W. Kelley.
Manor Station, F. E. Hammond.
Webberville, W. R. Campbell.
Elgin Station, C. H. Brooks.
McDade Circuit, R. E. Nunn.
Bastrop Station, Ira M. Brice.
Cedar Creek Circuit, A. C. Cameron.
Smithville Station, T. B. Graves.
West Point Circuit, W. T. McDonald.
La Grange Station, G. H. Collins.
Eagle Lake and Rock Island, E. L. Shettles.
Columbus Station, J. E. Green.

Welmar and Osage, W. F. Brinson.
Flaton Station, A. E. Goodwyn.
Merrilltown and Walnut, W. D. Gaskins.
Student at Vanderbilt University, B. W. Allen.

BRENHAM DISTRICT.

E. W. Solomon, P. E.

Brenham Station, E. P. Newsom.
Chappell Hill, H. M. Haynie.
Giddings, M. F. Daniel.
Bellville Circuit, J. P. Skinner.
Sealy Circuit, C. L. Farrington.
Lyons Circuit, W. C. Bracewell.
Caldwell, H. C. Willis.
Milano Circuit, J. C. Moore.
Cameron Station, J. B. Sears.
Cameron Circuit, T. R. Cain.
Davilla Circuit, D. M. Crutchfield.
Maysfield, J. L. Russell.
Rockdale Station, F. L. Allen.
Pleasant Hill, J. W. Thompson.
Lexington Circuit, W. T. Melugin.
Deanville, W. E. Washburn.
Ben Arnold, E. A. Potts.
Conference Secretary of Missions, J. B. Sears.

CALVERT DISTRICT.

G. A. Le Clere, P. E.

Calvert Station, James Kilgore.
Bremond and Reagan, J. W. Harmon.
Marlin Station, Weems Wootton.
Chilton and Lott, J. W. Cullen.
Rosebud, S. P. Brown.
Durango Circuit, H. T. Hart.
Kosse and Alto, C. E. Simpson.
Stranger and Harmony, to be supplied by G. T. Newberry.
Personville, G. R. Ray.
Fairfield Circuit, J. W. Holt.
Hearne and Wheelock, G. H. Phair.
Franklin Station, F. O. Favre.
Franklin Circuit, to be supplied by W. W. Edgar.
Mt. Vernon, M. L. Lindsey.
Petteway, to be supplied by J. O. Jordan.
Jewett, W. H. Brooks.
Rogers Prairie, E. C. Keith.
Centerville, C. M. Thompson.
Buffalo and Oakwoods, C. B. Garrett.

HUNTSVILLE DISTRICT.

J. C. Mickle, P. E.

Huntsville, J. L. Massey.
Anderson Circuit, J. A. McIver.
Navasota, S. F. Chambers.
Courtney and Plantersville, C. U. McLarty.
Hockley, H. R. Kimbler.
Conroe and Montgomery, A. J. Anderson.
Dodge, I. B. Gordon.
Madisonville, W. W. Horner.
Prairie Plains, E. M. Myers.
Zion, to be supplied by T. K. True.
Hempstead and Waller, S. H. Morgan.

Bryan Station, J. B. Cochran.
 Millican, G. S. Sandel.
 Willis Station, R. W. Adams.
 Cold Springs, R. T. Woolsey.

Transferred.—G. C. Rector, to the Tennessee Conference; A. T. Osborne, to the St. Louis Conference, and stationed at New Madrid.

SOUTH CAROLINA CONFERENCE.

HELD AT FLORENCE, S. C., DECEMBER 8-13, 1897.

BISHOP DUNCAN, *President*; E. O. WATSON, *Secretary*.

QUESTION 1. Who are admitted on trial?
 ANSWER. Stannie H. Booth, William A. Fairey, A. Elwood Holler, James M. Lawson, Daniel A. Patrick, John W. Speake, Robert E. Turnipseed. 7.

Ques. 2. Who remain on trial? Sidi B. Harper, David W. Kellar, William C. Kirkland, John C. Roper, F. Hawkins Shuler, Foster Speer, Wade H. Thrower. 7.

Ques. 3. Who are discontinued? None.

Ques. 4. Who are admitted into full connection John G. Beckwith, Connor B. Burns, Robert C. Boulware, Henry J. Cauthen, Chesley C. Herbert, George C. Leonard, Benjamin M. Robertson, J. R. Sojourner, Henry Stokes, Julius F. Way. 10.

Ques. 5. Who are readmitted? None.

Ques. 6. Who are received by transfer from other Conferences? J. M. Pike, from the Florida Conference. 1.

Ques. 7. Who are the deacons of one year? Martin L. Banks, Jr., L. L. Bedenbaugh, James A. Campbell, Waddy T. Duncan, W. S. Goodwin, J. Barr Harris, Edward S. Jones, W. Aiken Kelly, Jr., Russell E. Mood, W. A. Pitts, Wesley J. Snyder, G. Edwin Stokes. 12.

Ques. 8. What traveling preachers are elected deacons? John G. Beckwith, Robert C. Boulware, Henry J. Caruthers, Chesley C. Herbert, Benjamin M. Robertson, Henry Stokes. 6.

Ques. 9. What traveling preachers are ordained deacons? John G. Beckwith, Robert C. Boulware, Henry J. Cauthen, Chesley C. Herbert, Benjamin M. Robertson, Henry Stokes. 6.

Ques. 10. What local preachers are elected deacons? C. L. Huggins, John T. Macfarlane, John B. Weldon. 3.

Ques. 11. What local preachers are ordained deacons? D. H. Everatt, C. L. Huggins, John T. Macfarlane, John B. Weldon. 4.

Ques. 12. What traveling preachers are elected elders? G. Floyd Clarkson, Robert M. Du Bose, T. Grigsby Herbert, John N. Isom, William A. Masseur, William H. Miller, Reuben W. Spigner, Jesse J. Stevenson, Peter Stokes. 9.

Ques. 13. What traveling preachers are ordained elders? G. Floyd Clarkson, Robert M. Du Bose, T. Grigsby Herbert, John N. Isom, William A. Masseur, William H. Miller, Reuben W. Spigner, Jesse J. Stevenson, Peter Stokes. 9.

Ques. 14. What local preachers are elected elders? Eli Scott Campbell, Isaac N. Stone, John C. Welch. 3.

Ques. 15. What local preachers are ordained elders? Eli Scott Campbell, Isaac N. Stone, John C. Welch. 3.

Ques. 16. Who are located this year? J. M. Pike, at his own request; E. L. Archer, A. W. Attaway. 3.

Ques. 17. Who are supernumerary? A. M. Attaway, M. M. Ferguson, T. G. Herbert, John Manning, J. M. Rogers, T. E. Wannamaker. 6.

Ques. 18. Who are superannuated? John Attaway, F. Auld, M. L. Banks, J. C. Bissell, M. M. Brabham, Sidi H. Browne, J. M. Carlisle, William Carson, W. A. Clarke, A. M. Chreitzberg, O. A. Darby, R. L. Duffie, L. M. Hamer, A. W. Jackson, Simpson Jones, L. A. Johnson, Paul F. Kistler, L. C. Loyal, T. W. Munnerlyn, J. J. Neville, I. J. Newberry, J. A. Porter, W. C. Patterson, T. P. Phillips, J. L. Sify, J. F. Smith, A. W. Walker, C. E. Wiggins, J. A. Wood, J. J. Workman. 30.

Ques. 19. What preachers have died during the past year? W. W. Mood, L. S. Bellinger, A. H. Lester, H. M. Mood, R. A. Few. 5.

WILLIAM WYNN MOOD, the fourth son of the Rev. John and Catherine Mood, and brother of the Revs. Henry M., John A., and F. Asbury Mood, was born September 28, 1827, at Glenn Springs, S. C. His father was at that time a member of the South Carolina Conference, but soon after, through feeble health, located. He settled in Charleston, which thus to manhood became the home of our subject. Of this early life of William W. Mood at home we may say that it touched the most pronounced type of Methodism, and from it resulted the lofty ideals of his Christian character. His educational advan-

tages were of the best, and he was finally graduated from Charleston College. Brother Mood was converted at Cainhoy camp meeting April 20, 1840, under the preaching of Bishop Andrew. He was licensed to exhort, from Bethel Church, February 1, 1848, and licensed to preach March 20, 1850. He was received on trial into the South Carolina Conference, Methodist Episcopal Church, South, at Wadesboro, N. C., December, 1850, and served in all nineteen pastoral charges, some of them twice. He was three times married—first to Miss Lucy J. Rogers, of Bishopville. Mrs. Mood died September 21, 1868, leaving one son, William Reader Mood, M.D., now of Ridgeway. His second wife was Miss Gregory, of Union. She died January 2, 1883, leaving three children—Percy, Emma, and Rosa. His third wife was Mrs. Lou R. Williamson, daughter of Col. and Mrs. J. E. Rembert, of Sumter, who survives him. The evening of his life, after his superannuation at the close of 1884, was spent at Mechanicsville, Ridgeway, and Sumter. He died in Sumter January 11, 1897. Brother Mood literally gave his life to God; was a man of one work, and loved it. His preaching was orthodox to the core. He believed in the Holy Ghost, and consequently many souls were saved through his instrumentality. His tender and sympathetic nature made him a most popular and successful pastor. The gospel had from his lips no uncertain sound. He presented Jesus as a Saviour under every conceivable condition of human need. The sick room, the heart in sorrow, affliction, and bereavement were his thrones of power. He was a most systematic worker, and highly successful. He was never absent from Conference, and never failed to answer the first roll call. He loved his brethren, and had a warm place in their affections. At our last Conference in Abbeville he was feeble, and yet we had not expected him to fall so soon. His last attack was sharp and decisive. He failed to rally. There, in his chamber, the angels of God met him, and he left the scenes of his earthly toil for rest with God.

LUCIUS SKOTTOWE BELLINGER was the son of the noted and honored Rev. Lucius Bellinger, and was born in Barnwell District, South Carolina, March 3, 1833. He was of fine physique, medium height and weight, lithe and vigorous. His features manifested the excellence of spirit which chiseled and illumined them. His quick and vigorous mind took hold of the subject-matter which he had under consideration with efficiency. A quiet, unassuming dignity and kindliness of spirit characterized him through life. He was cheerful and affable, without being light and frivolous; he was grave without being dull or somber. We would have taken

him to be a gentleman in any company, though he spoke not a word. He was converted at Zion Church, which was then a part of the old Walterboro Circuit, March 2, 1850. From that time forth he never faltered in the way of life. He was graduated in medicine, and soon thereafter entered upon a good practice. As a physician he was a success. His professional skill, his quiet dignity and sympathetic demeanor, won for him the esteem and confidence of his patrons. He married Miss Annie E. Rumff, who proved a helpmeet to him to the day of his death. Though he had no children, she was more to him than many sons and daughters. His Quarterly Conference, satisfied with his gifts and graces, licensed him to preach the gospel. The judgment of his brethren was fully vindicated in his life of piety, energetic performance of duty, and success in the ministry of the word. In 1885 his presiding elder, the Rev. Thomas Raysor, who knew him well-nigh from his earliest boyhood, put him in charge of Orange Circuit. This year's work drew him away from his moorings in secular life, and he was admitted on trial into the South Carolina Conference December, 1885. His entire ministerial life was spent within the bounds of the Orangeburg District, except his last few days. His appointments were as follows: Boiling Springs Circuit in 1886-88; South Branchville Circuit in 1889-92; Blackville, 1893; Orange, 1894-96. In 1897 he was appointed to Georgetown Circuit. He reported promptly, preached a few times, captured all hearts, sickened and died in five days, January 15, 1897, at Sampit, S. C., amid the prayers and tears of his grief-stricken people. It is seldom the lot of a preacher to get the ear and gain the hearts of his people in so short a time as did Dr. Bellinger. He was a sound, strong, spiritual preacher, and a power in revival meetings; his heart burned with holy fire, and his tongue spoke as if touched by a live coal from off the heavenly altar. Many were turned from darkness unto light, and from the power of Satan unto God, through his ministry. Many homes were cheered and blessed by his presence, counsel, and prayers which never before had enjoyed a pastoral visit. The people were impressed by his quiet dignity and loving grace of deportment. He was but a short time with his last charge, yet long enough to create memories that shall be precious to his people forever. He moved among them as a prince. Neither disease nor death could rob him of his mental and spiritual graces. It is said that in his delirium he imagined that his congregation was before him, and he preached a sermon of remarkable point, pathos, and power. Read what his Israelitish doctor, M. S. Iseman, eloquently said of him: "I saw my patient for the first time as he lay prone

upon his bed, tossing with pain and delirium; neither suffering nor the ravages of a mortal disease could mar the benign expression or striking dignity of a face cast in such kingly mold. At brief intervals a gleam of returning consciousness would enable him to recognize those at his bedside. Even at this moment I can recall the smile, the charming manners, and above all the cheerful play of sunlight illumining his features during those fitting moments of lucidity. He would open those large, bright blue eyes of his—a soft, melting blue—beaming with kindness and boundless love, answer a few questions intelligently, never failing as oft as he recognized me to inquire after his old friend and companion, brother Stokes, whom he knew lay ill at Georgetown. All through his brief illness, he was still the watchman on the heights, the shepherd calling to his flock; as he had lived so would he die, with the name and battle-cry of his Master upon his lips. Alas! the transition was rapid. The day before he passed away I knew the fair-haired Levite had sung his last canticle before his earthly altar, and when next he would swing the golden censer it would be in that temple where the Urim and Thummim dim not upon the breastplate of the faithful and the light burns before the mercy-seat forever." Though in illness he had no relative or early friend with him but his wife, though surrounded only by those who were but recently strangers in the flesh, yet all that skill and money and loving sympathies could do was done. He was promptly removed from the parsonage by brother Benjamin D. Bourne into his own comfortable home, where all the offices of brotherly love were ministered. But he is gone from us—his spirit to the paradise of God; his body rests near by the dark rolling Sampit, soon to be removed to Orangeburg, S. C.

ARCHIBALD H. LESTER was born in Greenville county, S. C., June 12, 1828. He was the son of Phillip and Nancy Lester. His early educational advantages were well improved, and he graduated from Erskine College at twenty-one years of age. During the war between the states a distinguished Hebrew scholar became an inmate of his home, and he made most excellent use of this opportunity to increase his already large store of learning. He was widely read in general literature, and his own productions present fine specimens of brilliant thought, expressed in pure, elegant diction. His work as professor in Wofford College is most gratefully remembered by the students then in the institution. He aroused within them a desire to acquire knowledge. Having at that time ample means, he taught without salary, showing his devotion to the Church and to the cause of learning. He

was converted in early life, uniting with the Church when quite young. He was admitted into the South Carolina Conference on trial in 1851. The appointments he received were as follows: 1852, Pendleton Circuit; 1853-54, Union Circuit; 1855, Cokesbury Circuit; 1856-57, Yorkville Station; 1858, Marion Street, Columbia; 1859, Cheraw Station; 1860, Spartanburg Station; 1861-64, Greenville Circuit; 1865-66, supernumerary; 1867-73, professor in Wofford College; 1874-77, Union Station; 1878, Florence Station; 1879-80, Chester Station; 1881-82, Marion Station; 1883, Lancaster Station; 1884, Winnsboro Station; 1885-88, Georgetown Station; 1889, Beaufort Station; 1890, superannuated; 1891, Cartersville Circuit; 1892-97, superannuated. During the period that he was effective he went cheerfully to the work assigned him. As is readily seen, he served many of the most important charges in our Conference. His health was never robust, but he wrought in all his fields of labor faithfully. He was kind and sympathetic in his care for his flock; was genial in his intercourse; was ever a most welcome visitor in the homes of his people, his ministrations being uplifting. His preaching was always instructive, at times accompanied with eloquence and power. His subject-matter was chaste, elegant, and scholarly. Being unusually well versed in Hebrew and Greek, he was able to bring out with beauty and force the meaning of the text. While he preached the gospel in simplicity and force to all classes, his ministry was peculiarly suited to the thoughtful and scholarly. He had made critical research in many of the fields of Bible study, and was deeply learned in its sacred lore. The Holy Spirit also made his studies of the word luminous, so that he was unusually well equipped for his high and holy ministry. He was married at Yorkville, S. C., November 27, 1856, to Miss Margaret C. Miller; in Chester county, S. C., October 26, 1858, to Miss Susan J. McCullough; in Spartanburg, S. C., April 4, 1865, to Mrs. Harriet R. Fleming, *nee* Walker. Dr. W. M. Lester, of Columbia, S. C., is his only surviving child. He is a son of the second marriage. The children of his last wife, Mr. James Fleming, now of Union county, S. C., and Mrs. Mary Trimmer, now of Spartanburg, S. C., received from him a father's care and were much devoted to him. The home life of brother Lester was affectionate, beautiful, and refined. The piety of our dear brother was simple, without ostentation, but abiding. In all the misfortunes and sorrows that came to him he endured as seeing Him who is invisible. Cheerfulness never forsook him. He maintained to the end his sweet, happy, contented disposition. As the end came very near, he knew "whom he trusted," and was satisfied. He died

April 25, 1897, at the home of his son, Dr. W. M. Lester, Columbia, S. C. All that filial affection could do to stay disease was done. The ministries of love were freely given. He passed away from us gently; he triumphed at the last, escaped from his sufferings, rested from his labors at peace with God and man, and doubtless awaits us in the home of the blest.

HENRY MCFARLANE MOOD sprang from an excellent ancestry. In this ancestry mingled the blood of the German and the Scotch. Where these unite, the result is a strong manhood and a granite nature, a bright mind and a symmetrical character. His father was a man of great energy and massive faith, of pure heart and holy life. His mother was tender, sympathetic, cultured, and "as beautiful as the lily of the valley." He was the eldest of five children. His parents had formerly been rich, but misfortune stole their wealth, and the father had to struggle to "keep the wolf from the door." This was the condition of affairs on February 14, 1819, when Henry first gazed on the light. The city of Charleston, with its Italian skies and palmetto trees, was his birthplace. The beauty and the aroma of this city entered largely into his life. Early in life his character revealed great independence. No pitiable mendicant would he be. In boyhood we find him not only full of indomitable energy, but the master of a trade. This trade minted for him silver and gold. When God spoke to his heart and unveiled to him that he desired that his life should be given to the ministry, he affirmed that it was "a call to prepare to preach." He realized the stern necessity of fitting himself to present Christ to the best advantage. He had rich friends, friends that were ready to give him an education; their money could have been secured for the asking. He writes in his diary: "Such help would be disastrous to my manhood." Again he says: "I cannot afford thus to pauperize myself." The story of his desperate battle to win money to pay for a thorough training that would qualify him for the sacred office thrills with the purest heroism. No stronger or more dauntless courage was shown by Prince Frederick Charles at the battle of Sadowa, and in the struggle he triumphed over every difficulty. For his education at Cokesbury, and the full course at the college at Charleston, he was indebted to no man. He graduated with honor, and at the same time accumulated money. His heart was intensely missionary. His father and mother originated the first Sunday school for negroes in this state. He was one of their most efficient teachers. Inveterate prejudice ran high. Its face was as cruel as that of Robespierre's. Threats of "a coat of tar and feathers" did not deflect him from his work. None

of these things moved him, neither did he count his life dear unto himself. Paul-like, he pressed forward. Like Savonrola, he would have allowed every drop of blood in his veins to boil at the stake before he would have laid down his charge. Fifty-two years subsequently a negro preacher, a man who stands high in the councils of his Church, and whose influence for good is large, wrote him that it was his instruction that led him to the cross of Christ. His zeal for missions did not culminate with the sons and daughters of Ham. While pastor of the Cokesbury Circuit he emphasized home and foreign missions with such strength and force that the people of that charge paid one thousand dollars to the cause. The adjacent charges caught the contagion, and the influence spread over the whole state. The result was that a tidal wave of missionary zeal swept the Conference. In him education had one of its truest and ablest friends. He was a born educator. He acquired a vast store of information, and he had the ability to impart what he knew. For years he was the president of Davenport Female College. Later on, and in the most stormy and perilous period of our commonwealth's history, he was president of the Columbia Female College. Through those years "that tried men's souls" he carried the institution successfully. Dr. Arnold, of Rugby, never left a deeper impress for good upon any pupil than this consecrated man. The love of his pupils for him was akin to that of Mary and Martha for the Divine Teacher. Temperance had in him one of its most valiant apostles. John B. Gough, in his appeals for a sober life, based his call on self-preservation. With all the zeal, earnestness, and eloquence of that call, it was nothing more than a clarion note for self-interest. Henry M. Mood's appeal was laid on something higher. It was on the sublime ground of God's eternal word. In this respect he was Gough's superior. No man that ever walked on Carolina's soil equals him in advancing temperance within our border. The vast prohibition sentiment that covers our state, carpeting it from the blue mountains of Walhalla to the emerald flats of Cainhoy, is largely the growth from the seed he broadcast over the land. The pulpit was his throne of power. At the Newberry Conference he preached the "annual sermon to the undergraduates." Dr. George W. Holland, who was then president of the Lutheran College, was one of his hearers. The next morning, in speaking of the sermon, this distinguished man remarked: "If I had known that such a rare treat was in store for young ministers and those looking forward to the ministry, I would have required all the students of the college to have attended that service. He is certainly a man not only of polish, but

of profound scholarship—my ideal of what a minister of the gospel should be." This encomium is not too strong. Saint and sinner, Jew and Gentile, heard him gladly. No man could sit under his preaching without having his mental horizon enlarged and his aspirations after a holy life greatly intensified. As the friend of the young he had no superior. Paul never loved Timothy and Titus more than he loved the young men that crossed his path. Twice fortunate was the young man that came within the reach of his tender touch. The young men loved him as the marshals of France loved "the Man of Destiny." Well might they love him, for he was worthy of it all. There was about him none of that fetid and contemptible air of the little man who is only the creature of circumstances, but there was in his every movement the assurance of brotherhood. Though the young men felt so free in his company, yet they realized that he was a kingly man. Of his family life we would not speak, except to say, from the day, January 15, 1846, when Miss Laura A. Clark became his happy bride, no lady ever had a better husband, and no husband a more faithful wife. His four living children—namely, Mrs. C. E. Stubbs, Mrs. B. M. Badger, Mrs. Isaac Ingram, and Dr. J. A. Mood—rise up and bless his memory. Loving and true was he to those who stood nearest his heart. Around them was thrown an affection as exquisite as a cirlet of diamonds. His home was holy ground. In the latter months of his earthly life, God allowed him to be tossed into the furnace of pain. The heat was intense. As he walked over the glowing embers, environed by the fiery heat, not a murmur escaped his lips; not a gesture of impatience broke the waves of air. The fires that burned John Huss to a crisp were not more severe than these physical agonies. In the most excruciating hour he could whisper, "God's will be done." From these flames he came forth as perfect as "the seer of the land of Uz." On Sunday, May 2, 1897, the angels met him. From that hour he ceased to live on earth. He is at home with God!

ROBERT ALSTON FEW was born January 6, 1865, in Greenville county, S. C., and died at his father's home in the same county, August 8, 1897. Brother Few was only thirty-two years of age; but in piety, in purity, and in devotion to God and his cause, he had developed and ripened like unto one of mature age. He was the son of Dr. B. F. and Mrs. M. K. Few, who are devoted Methodists, and before their boy lived exemplary lives. He was born near the closing hours of the civil war, just as the din of battle was dying away from our southern clime; and amid the tranquil scenes of a happy Christian home he began his bright and beautiful life, which at

no period waned, but grew brighter, stronger, and nobler, until the sun went down without a cloud to dim his eternal sky. He was dedicated to God in baptism by his father and mother when an infant, which rite he ratified by assuming the vows of the Church at the age of fourteen. No one seems able to point to any definite period when he professed conversion. In fact, he never settled upon any exact date himself, but "claimed from infancy to be a child of God, and conducted himself accordingly." There was nothing tragical in young Few's life. He had no thrilling experience to tell of how he ran counter to God's law, and to the Christian counsel of his father and mother; of how deep he went in sin, and then how powerfully and miraculously he was saved. But he had an abiding consciousness of God's approval, and this made him Christlike and strong in the hour of temptation. As he grew in years he grew in wisdom, love, and devotion for God and truth. If he had a virtue, it was purity; if a fault, it was timidity. Few men have we had placed among us superior to him in the chief elements of manly Christian character. When and wherever duty called he was ready to go, and he went uncomplainingly until he had to obey the call of death. He was graduated from Wofford College in the class of 1889. He taught school in Sumter county the latter part of the same year, and also in 1890. In the fall of 1890 he went to Anderson, S. C., and taught in the Patrick Military Institute until in the summer of 1891, after which he took a two years' course in Vanderbilt University. In November, 1893, he was admitted on trial into the South Carolina Conference. His first charge was Jordan Circuit, where he served in 1894-95. In 1896 he was in charge of Swansea, and at the last session of the Conference was appointed to Indiantown Circuit, and here he ended his work. Brother Few was married on the 20th of last April to Miss Tryphosa Davis, daughter of the Hon. C. M. Davis, of Clarendon county, S. C. Only a few days later he and his bride were met at a railroad station, where they had gone to take the train. He was going home to die. On a Sabbath evening of last August our dear young brother, surrounded by his loved ones, bade adieu to the scenes of earth and his spirit passed to God who gave it. And now that he has gone from us, may his pure example, his godly life, and his uncomplaining spirit still linger with us, and may the young brethren of the Conference follow him as he followed Christ.

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

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

Charleston District.

	Mem- bers.	Loc'l Pr's.
Charleston: Trinity.....	519	1
Bethel.....	408	1
Spring Street.....	195	1
Cumberland.....	201	.....
Berkely.....	371	1
Summerville.....	150	.....
Cypress.....	602	1
St. George's.....	722	3
Reevesville.....	151	1
Colleton.....	413	1
Round O.....	426	.....
Walterboro.....	157	.....
Hendersonville.....	543	1
Hampton.....	213	.....
Port Royal.....	113	.....
Allendale.....	437	.....
Black Swamp.....	340	.....
Hardeeville.....	318	1
Beaufort.....	71	.....
McClellanville.....	335	.....
Ridgeville.....	440	2
St. Paul's.....	203	.....
	7,328	13

Spartanburg District.

	Mem- bers.	Loc'l Pr's.
Spartanburg: Central.....	501	1
Duncan.....	324	.....
City Mission.....	200	.....
Clifton.....	370	1
Union.....	182	1
Union Mills.....	140	.....
Gaffney Station.....	237	.....
Gaffney Circuit.....	298	.....
North Laurens.....	497	.....
Laurens City Mission.....	68	.....
Cherokee.....	614	1
Jonesville.....	533	.....
Kelton.....	483	2
Pacolet Mills.....	345	.....
Pacolet.....	523	.....
Enorce.....	265	.....
Clinton.....	300	.....
Whitnire.....	304	.....
Santico.....	256	.....
Campobello.....	456	1
Belmont.....	433	1
Laurens Station.....	260	1
	7,614	9

Rock Hill District.

	Mem- bers.	Loc'l Pr's.
Chester Station.....	223	1
Chester Circuit.....	524	.....
East Chester.....	517	.....
Richburg.....	331	.....
Rock Hill Station.....	275	1
Rock Hill Circuit.....	427	.....
Yorkville.....	109	.....
Blacksburg.....	152	.....
Hickory Grove.....	586	.....
York Circuit.....	404	.....
Fort Mill.....	417	1
Van Wyck.....	355	.....
Lancaster Station.....	145	1
Lancaster Circuit.....	363	.....
Tradesville.....	451	1
Jefferson.....	557	.....
Blackstock.....	218	.....
North Rock Hill.....	554	.....
Chesterfield.....	497	.....
	7,155	5

Marion District.

	Mem- bers.	Loc'l Pr's.
Marion.....	371	.....
Centenary.....	426	.....
Britton's Neck.....	267	1

Marion District (Continued).

	Mem- bers.	Loc'l Pr's.
Conway Station.....	120	.....
Conway Circuit.....	458	2
Bucksville.....	182	.....
Waccamaw.....	434	3
Bayboro.....	570	4
Loris.....	457	.....
Mullins.....	636	4
North Mullins.....	533	2
Latta.....	506	1
Little Rock.....	355	1
Clio.....	488	3
Blenheim.....	633	1
Bennettsville Station.....	284	.....
Bennettsville Circuit.....	562	.....
Brightsville.....	679	.....
McColl Mission.....	130	.....
North Marlboro.....	689	1
	8,850	23

Cokesbury District.

	Mem- bers.	Loc'l Pr's.
Cokesbury.....	320	2
Greenwood.....	254	1
Verdery.....	344	.....
Ninety-Six.....	341	.....
Donald's.....	406	.....
Abbeville.....	258	1
Antreville.....	351	.....
McCormick.....	454	.....
Lowndesville.....	218	.....
Mt. Carmel.....	328	.....
Princeton.....	285	4
Waterloo.....	266	.....
North Edgefield.....	500	.....
Newberry Station.....	283	.....
Newberry Circuit.....	491	1
Kinard's.....	139	1
Saluda.....	575	.....
Butler.....	387	.....
Parksville.....	147	.....
Newberry City Mission.....	133	.....
Prosperity.....	613	.....
	7,098	10

Columbia District.

	Mem- bers.	Loc'l Pr's.
Columbia: Washington Street.....	497	.....
Marion Street.....	352	.....
Green Street and Brookland.....	254	1
Richland and Granby.....	51	1
Edgewood.....	320	.....
Lexington Circuit.....	324	.....
Lexington Fork Circuit.....	504	1
Leesville.....	625	.....
Lewisdale.....	405	2
Batesburg.....	297	.....
Johnston.....	246	.....
Edgefield.....	242	.....
Graniteville.....	352	1
Langley.....	221	1
Upper St. Matthew's.....	509	.....
Fort Motte.....	44	.....
Ridgeway.....	389	1
Winnsboro.....	179	.....
Fairfield.....	268	1
	6,079	9

Florence District.

	Mem- bers.	Loc'l Pr's.
Florence Station and City Mission.....	417	.....
Darlington Station.....	223	.....
Cheraw Station.....	131	.....
Cheraw Circuit.....	396	.....
Hartsville Circuit.....	277	1
Clyde Circuit.....	469	1
Darlington Circuit.....	434	1
Lamar.....	600	3
Timmons ville.....	526	.....
Clanssen.....	396	.....
South Florence.....	523	.....
Scranton.....	504	2
Lake City.....	618	1
Kingstree.....	83	.....
Indiantown.....	216	1

Florence District (Continued).

	Mem- bers.	Loc'l Pr's.
Gourdin.....	190	.....
Salter's.....	260	1
Georgetown Station.....	276	1
Georgetown Circuit.....	231	2
Johnsonville Circuit.....	684	.....
	7,469	14

Recapitulation (Continued).

	Mem- bers.	Loc'l Pr's.
Florence District.....	7,469	14
Greenville District.....	8,779	11
Orangeburg District.....	7,057	14
Sumter District.....	6,248	8
Total this year.....	73,677	116
Total last year.....	72,731	124
Increase.....	946	.....
Decrease.....	.....	8

Greenville District.

Greenville: Bancombe Street.....	472	.....
St. Paul.....	159	1
Greenville Circuit.....	645	2
Reidville.....	570	.....
Greer's.....	578	1
North Greenville.....	288	.....
Fountain Inn.....	555	1
Williamston.....	496	.....
Anderson Station.....	297	.....
Anderson City Mission.....	112	.....
South Anderson.....	374	3
Townville.....	489	.....
Pendleton.....	526	.....
Pickens.....	513	1
Seneca and Walhalla.....	179	.....
Westminster.....	283	.....
Walhalla Circuit.....	329	.....
North Pickens.....	238	.....
Easley and Bethesda.....	660	1
Piedmont.....	432	.....
Anderson Circuit.....	574	1
	8,779	11

Orangeburg District.

Orangeburg Station.....	537	.....
Orangeburg Circuit.....	548	1
Lower St. Matthew's.....	332	.....
Providence.....	947	1
Branchville.....	429	1
South Branchville.....	663	1
Bamberg.....	302	.....
Denmark.....	365	1
Barnwell.....	386	.....
Williston.....	279	1
Springfield.....	431	2
Boiling Springs.....	416	2
Orange.....	543	.....
Edisto.....	314	1
Aiken.....	72	.....
Swansea and Wagner.....	493	3
	7,057	14

Sumter District.

Sumter Station.....	441	.....
Sumter City Mission.....	65	.....
Sumter Circuit.....	184	1
Manning Station.....	225	.....
Santee.....	707	1
Jordan.....	350	.....
Foreston.....	221	.....
New Zion.....	534	2
Lynchburg.....	365	.....
Oswego.....	521	.....
Bishopville.....	185	1
Bethany.....	385	.....
Salem.....	320	.....
Kershaw.....	358	.....
Smithville.....	317	.....
Camden Station.....	236	.....
St. John's.....	202	1
Wateree.....	165	.....
Richland.....	248	2
Wedgfield.....	139	.....
	6,248	8

Recapitulation.

Charleston District.....	7,328	13
Spartanburg District.....	7,614	9
Rock Hill District.....	7,155	5
Marion District.....	8,850	23
Cokesbury District.....	7,098	10
Columbia District.....	6,079	9

Ques. 22. How many infants have been baptized during the year? 1,835.

Ques. 23. How many adults have been baptized during the year? 1,646.

Ques. 24. What is the number of Epworth Leagues? 77.

Ques. 25. What is the number of Epworth League members? 2,491.

Ques. 26. What is the number of Sunday schools? 712.

Ques. 27. What is the number of Sunday-school teachers? 5,077.

Ques. 28. What is the number of Sunday-school scholars? 43,112.

Ques. 29. What amount is necessary for the superannuated preachers and the widows and orphans of preachers? \$10,000.

Ques. 30. What has been collected on the foregoing account? and how has it been applied? \$9,541.58. Applied to claimants.

Ques. 31. What has been contributed for Missions? Foreign Missions, \$9,200.94; Domestic Missions, \$9,712.05. Total, \$18,912.99.

Ques. 32. What has been contributed for Church Extension? \$2,059.61.

Ques. 33. What has been done for the American Bible Society? \$660.53.

Ques. 34. What has been contributed for the support of presiding elders and preachers in charge? Presiding elders, \$15,644.41; preachers in charge, \$101,301.62.

Ques. 35. What has been contributed for the support of bishops? \$1,577.75.

Ques. 36. What is the number of societies, and the number and estimated value of church edifices? Societies, 600; church edifices, 700; value, \$876,535.

Ques. 37. What is the number of pastoral charges, and the number and value of parsonages owned by them? Charges, 201; parsonages, 153; value, \$253,927.

Ques. 38. What is the number and value of district parsonages? Number, 10; value, \$30,000.

Ques. 39. What are the educational statistics? Wofford College: Students, 153; value of property, \$100,000; endowment, \$63,000; income, \$15,989.75. Columbia Female College: Students, 127; value of property, \$65,000; income, \$18,286.18. Cokesbury Conference School: No report. Wofford Fitting School: Students, 36; income, \$1,500. Carlisle Fitting School: Students, 111; value of property, \$20,000.

Ques. 40. Where shall the next session of the Conference be held? Greenwood.

Ques. 41. Where are the preachers stationed this year?

CHARLESTON DISTRICT.

W. P. Meadors, P. E.

Charleston: Trinity, J. W. Kilgo.
Bethel, H. W. Bays.
Spring Street, S. P. H. Elwell.
Cumberland, J. M. Steadman.
Berkley, W. H. Thrower.
Summerville, G. P. Watson.
Ridgeville and Cypress, J. L. Ray, O. N. Rountree.
St. George's Station, A. C. Walker.
St. George's Circuit, to be supplied by W. T. Patrick.
Harleyville, E. M. McKissick.
Colleton, H. C. Mouzon.
Round O and St. Paul's, E. K. Moore; one to be supplied by W. R. Buchanan.
Walterboro, W. M. Duncan.
Hendersonville, D. Hucks.
Hampton and Port Royal, R. L. Holroyd, W. A. Fairey.
Allendale, W. B. Duncan.
Black Swamp, W. H. Wroton.
Hardeeville, to be supplied by J. C. Welch.
Beaufort, P. A. Murray.
McClellanville and St. Stephen's, G. W. Gatlin, D. A. Patrick.

COKEsbURY DISTRICT.

G. T. Harmon, P. E.

Cokesbury, J. C. Chandler.
Greenwood, Marion Dargan.
Verdery, C. R. Shaffer.
Ninety-Six, W. A. Betts.
Donald's, W. B. Wharton.
Abbeville, J. W. Daniel.
Antreville, W. J. Snyder.
McCormick, W. H. Ariail.
Lowndesville, E. W. Mason.
Mt. Carmel, Henry Stokes.
Princeton, S. D. Vaughan.
Waterloo, W. W. Jones.
Phoenix, Peter Stokes.
Newberry Station and City Mission, C. W. Creighton, J. W. Speake.
Newberry Circuit, D. Tiller.
Kinard's, A. S. Lesley.
Saluda, J. J. Stevenson.
Butler, W. C. Winn.
Parksville, to be supplied by J. C. Holley.
Prosperity, E. G. Price.

COLUMBIA DISTRICT.

J. Walter Dickson, P. E.

Columbia: Washington Street, W. W. Daniel.
Marion Street, P. L. Kirton.
Green Street and Brookland, W. B. Baker.
Richland and Granby Mission, to be supplied by J. C. Abney.

Columbia: Edgewood, R. C. McRoy.

Hyatt's Park, J. W. Neeley.
Lexington, W. M. Harden.
Lexington Fork, M. L. Banks, Jr.
Lewiedale, to be supplied by J. N. Wright.
Leesville, N. B. Clarkson; T. G. Herbert, Sup.
Batesburg, D. D. Dantzler.
Johnston, C. C. Herbert.
Edgefield, D. Z. Dantzler.
Graniteville, N. G. Ballenger.
Langley, J. H. Noland.
Upper St. Matthew's, J. W. Ariail.
Fort Motte, to be supplied by R. W. Humphries.
Ridgeway, A. R. Phillips.
Winnsboro, J. D. Crotter.
Fairfield, W. H. Miller.
Columbia Female College, J. A. Rice, President; R. E. Stackhouse, Professor.
Epworth Orphanage, G. H. Waddell, Superintendent.
Paine Institute, G. W. Walker, President.

FLORENCE DISTRICT.

E. T. Hodges, P. E.

Florence Station, W. I. Herbert.
Darlington Station, R. A. Child.
Cheraw Station, D. M. McLeod.
Cheraw Circuit, R. E. Mood.
Hartsville, G. F. Clarkson.
Clyde, J. S. Abercrombie.
Darlington Circuit, W. S. Martin.
Lamar, G. M. Boyd.
Timmons ville, R. W. Barber.
Claussen, M. H. Pooser.
South Florence, R. M. Du Bose.
Scranton, to be supplied by J. W. Harris.
Lake City, W. H. Kirton.
Kingstree, A. B. Earle.
Union, G. W. Davis.
Lanes, J. A. White.
Salter's, R. C. Boulware.
Georgetown Station, A. J. Stokes.
Georgetown Circuit, O. L. Du Rant; one to be supplied by J. B. Weldon.
Johnsonville, A. E. Holler.

GREENVILLE DISTRICT.

W. C. Power, P. E.

Greenville: Buncombe Street and City Mission, W. A. Rogers, D. W. Kellar.
St. Paul's, H. B. Browne.
Anderson: St. John and West End, W. R. Richardson, S. B. Harper.
Starr and Iva, F. H. Shuler, R. E. Turnipseed.
Williamston and Belton, P. F. Kilgo.
Pelzer, T. Grigsby Herbert.
Piedmont, E. P. Taylor.
Greenville Circuit, J. C. Counts.
Fountain Inn, J. W. Shell; one to be supplied.
Reidville, C. H. Clyde.
Greer's and Pelham, A. H. Best; one to be supplied.
Traveler's Rest, C. B. Burns.

Easley and Bethesda, J. E. Rushton.
 Pickens and West Pickens, J. S. Porter; A. M. Attaway, Sup.
 North Pickens, to be supplied.
 Walhalla, to be supplied by J. L. Mullinix.
 Seneca and Walhalla, J. L. Daniel.
 Westminster, R. R. Dagnall.
 Townville, L. L. Inabinet.
 Pendleton, A. T. Dunlap.
 Williamston and West Anderson, W. J. Dowell; one to be supplied by I. N. Stone.
 Williamston Female College, S. Lander, President.
 Southern Christian Advocate, John O. Willson, Editor; S. A. Weber, Assistant.
 Assistant Sunday-school Editor, L. F. Beaty.

MARION DISTRICT.

J. B. Wilson, P. E.

Marion Station, T. E. Morris.
 Centenary, G. R. Whittaker.
 Britton's Neck, to be supplied by E. S. Campbell.
 Conway Station, W. S. Stokes.
 Conway Circuit, W. E. Barre.
 Bucksville, J. F. Way.
 Waccamaw, D. A. Calhoun.
 Bayboro, to be supplied by Sam Jones.
 Loris, J. R. Sojourner.
 Mullins, S. J. Bethea.
 North Mullins, J. K. McCain; J. M. Rogers, Sup.
 Latta, J. E. Beard.
 Little Rock, A. J. Cauthen, Jr.
 Clio, W. W. Williams.
 Blenheim, P. B. Wells.
 Bennettville Station, J. L. Stokes; John Manning, Sup.
 Bennettville Circuit, J. S. Beasley.
 Brightsville, J. B. Traywick.
 McColl Mission, to be supplied by T. L. Belvin.
 North Marlboro, W. S. Goodwin.

ORANGEBURG DISTRICT.

John Owen, P. E.

Orangeburg: St. Paul's and City Mission, E. O. Watson; one to be supplied by J. E. Strickland and T. E. Wannamaker.
 Orangeburg Circuit, W. L. Wait.
 Lower St. Matthew's, M. W. Hook.
 Providence, C. D. Mann; one to be supplied by E. Z. James.
 Branchville, J. C. Stoll.
 South Branchville, E. A. Wilkes.
 Bamberg, T. C. O'Dell.
 Denmark, M. B. Kelly.
 Barnwell, W. A. Wright.
 Williston, J. C. Davis.
 Springfield, G. E. Stokes; M. M. Ferguson, Sup.
 Boiling Springs, J. D. Frierson.
 Orange, N. K. Melton.
 Edisto, J. C. Yongue.
 Aiken, A. J. Stafford.

Swansea Mission, to be supplied by J. T. Macfarlane.
 Wagener, to be supplied.

ROCK HILL DISTRICT.

J. B. Campbell, P. E.

Rock Hill Station, S. H. Zimmerman.
 Rock Hill Circuit and Laurel Street, T. C. Ligon.
 Chester Station, J. E. Grier.
 Chester Circuit, J. E. Mahaffey.
 East Chester, R. A. Yongue.
 Richburg, E. T. Hutson.
 North Rock Hill, J. Barr Harris.
 Yorkville, A. N. Brunson.
 Blacksburg, H. J. Cauthen.
 Hickory Grove, J. H. Thacker.
 York Circuit, J. W. Humbert.
 Fort Mill, J. A. Campbell.
 Van Wyck, S. H. Booth.
 Lancaster Station, J. E. Carlisle.
 Lancaster Circuit, G. C. Leonard.
 Tradesville, L. L. Bedenbaugh.
 Chesterfield, J. P. Attaway.
 Jefferson, Allan Macfarlane.
 Blackstock, P. B. Ingraham.

SPARTANBURG DISTRICT.

A. J. Cauthen, P. E.

Spartanburg: Central, M. L. Carlisle.
 Duncan, W. C. Kirkland.
 City Mission, E. B. Loyless.
 Clifton, R. W. Spigner.
 Union Station and Cotton Mills, W. A. Massebeau, J. C. Roper.
 Gaffney Station, T. M. Dent.
 Gaffney Circuit, to be supplied by S. T. Creech.
 Laurens Station and City Mission, R. H. Jones; one to be supplied by J. M. Shell.
 North Laurens, D. P. Boyd.
 Cherokee, J. M. Lawson.
 Jonesville, E. H. Beckham.
 Kelton, J. N. Isom.
 Pacolet Mills Station, B. M. Grier.
 Pacolet Circuit, E. S. Jones.
 Enoree, J. M. Fridy.
 Clinton, J. L. Harley.
 Whitmire, D. Arthur Phillips.
 Santuc, A. F. Berry.
 Campobello, S. A. Nettles.
 Belmont, S. T. Blackman.
 Wofford College, C. B. Smith, Professor and Agent.

SUMTER DISTRICT.

T. J. Clyde, P. E.

Sumter Station, J. A. Clifton.
 Sumter Circuit, to be supplied by M. N. Byrd.
 Magnolia Street Mission, W. A. Kelly, Jr.
 Manning, W. H. Hodges.
 Santee, A. B. Watson.
 Jordan, W. A. Pitts.
 Foreston, J. R. Copeland.
 New Zion, W. E. Wiggins.

Lynchburg, W. B. Justus.
 Oswego, J. F. Anderson.
 Bishopville, J. W. Elkins.
 Bethany, G. H. Pooser.
 Salem Station, S. W. Henry.
 Kershaw, J. G. Beckwith.

Smithville, W. T. Duncan.
 Camden, J. Thomas Pate.
 Camden Circuit, B. M. Robertson.
 Wateree, to be supplied by S. D. Bailey.
 Richland, T. J. White.
 Wedgefield, Foster Speer.

ALABAMA CONFERENCE.

HELD AT UNION SPRINGS, ALA., DECEMBER 15-20, 1897.

BISHOP GALLOWAY, *President*; J. M. MASON, *Secretary*.

QUESTION 1. Who are admitted on trial?

ANSWER. James W. Rhinehart, Alonzo C. Smith, James A. Groves, John E. Northcutt, Charles A. Williams, Neil A. Gillis, Isaac W. Chalker. 7.

Ques. 2. Who remain on trial? Charles H. Motley, Raleigh W. Greene, William A. Price. 3.

Ques. 3. Who are discontinued? None.

Ques. 4. Who are admitted into full connection? Edmund W. Roberts, James I. Weatherby, Benjamin F. Marshall, John A. Gorday, Robert J. Ross, Joseph F. Price. 6.

Ques. 5. Who are readmitted? None.

Ques. 6. Who are received by transfer from other Conferences? None.

Ques. 7. Who are the deacons of one year? George W. Hinton, John W. Mathison, David F. Ellisor, Albert C. Bowen, James F. Feagin, James S. F. Stephens, Daniel B. H. Jeffcoat, Walton C. Kersh. 8.

Ques. 8. What traveling preachers are elected deacons? John A. Gorday, Joseph F. Price. 2.

Ques. 9. What traveling preachers are ordained deacons? John A. Gorday, Joseph F. Price. 2.

Ques. 10. What local preachers are elected deacons? James W. Rhinehart, Bishop A. Treadwell, James M. Griffin, Buckner M. Hearne, Isaac W. Chalker, Henry B. Carré. 6.

Ques. 11. What local preachers are ordained deacons? James W. Rhinehart, Bishop A. Treadwell, Buckner M. Hearne, James M. Griffin, Isaac W. Chalker. 5.

Ques. 12. What traveling preachers are elected elders? Robert C. Williams, David B. Dismukes, Harvey C. Threadgill, John W. Breedlove, William B. Segrest, Walter Q. Vreeland, Joseph O. Lawrence, Thaddeus B. Barrow, Charles S. Talley, Oscar J. Goodman, Eugene L. Crawford, Jefferson B. Adams. 12.

Ques. 13. What traveling preachers are ordained elders? Joseph O. Lawrence, Thaddeus B. Barrow, John W. Breedlove, Jefferson B. Adams, Oscar J. Goodman,

Walter Q. Vreeland, Robert C. Williams, Charles S. Talley, William B. Segrest, Eugene L. Crawford, David B. Dismukes, Harvey C. Threadgill. 12.

Ques. 14. What local preachers are elected elders? None.

Ques. 15. What local preachers are ordained elders? None.

Ques. 16. Who are located this year? Noah W. Beverly, at his own request. 1.

Ques. 17. Who are supernumerary? G. F. Ellis, J. M. Glenn, L. F. Dowdell, S. A. Pilley. 4.

Ques. 18. Who are superannuated? A. H. Mitchell, W. H. Morris, J. M. Scott, G. F. Fisher, J. S. Peavy, M. M. Graham, R. Smilie, B. D. Gayle, D. D. Reeves, J. L. Mathison, A. A. Easley, J. W. Solomon, S. H. Cox, W. A. McCarty, D. C. Standley, B. L. Selman, W. I. Powers, D. W. Barnes, D. J. Wright, W. C. Kersh, J. W. Shores, J. K. Powell. 22.

Ques. 19. What preachers have died during the past year? J. W. Menefee, J. E. Collins. 2.

J. W. MENEFEE, son of W. C. and Margaret Menefee, was born at Orion, Pike county, Ala., April 27, 1855, and died at Selma, Ala., April 27, 1897. He was converted and joined the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, at Hill's Chapel Camp Ground in September, 1876. He was licensed to preach October 23, 1876, and was admitted on trial into the Alabama Conference, held at Greensboro, the same year. He filled the following appointments in the order in which they are named: 1877, Geneva Circuit; 1878, Brooklyn Mission; 1879-80, Pleasant Hill Circuit; 1881, Maplesville Circuit; 1882, Rembert Hills Circuit; 1883-85, Columbia Circuit; 1886, Brier Hill Circuit; 1887-88, Orrville Circuit; 1889, Farmsdale Mission; 1890-91, Spring Hill Circuit; 1892, Dayton and Spring Hill; 1893-94, Orrville Circuit; 1895-96, Pineapple Circuit. At the close of 1896 he was elected agent of the Alabama Methodist Orphanage, and was ap-

pointed to the work. Here he closed the work of his life with credit to himself and the Church. No charge or complaint stands against the name of J. W. Menefee. He was loyal to his Church and to his ordination vows. While he was humble and unpretending, he possessed rare gifts as a preacher and often rose to lofty heights in his appeals to his fellow-men. The distinguishing feature of his character—the one which gave him ready access to the hearts of men—was his sympathy with his race. He lived among the people, and like his Master was touched with the feeling of their infirmities. His style of preaching was peculiar to himself. He was original, natural, earnest, and at times eloquent. There was also a vein of wit and humor in his nature that entered naturally into his preaching, but he never allowed himself to drift into the humorous to such a degree as to forget the end and object of his preaching. His sermons abounded in anecdotes, and he used them simply to illustrate the truth. He was a good revival preacher, and wherever he preached gracious results followed his ministry. Hundreds now in the Church were awakened and led to Christ by him. He loved the Church as tenderly as a dutiful son loves his mother. His ordination vows were to him as sacred as his religion. Wherever appointed to labor, he went. He did his work with cheerful heart and willing hand. He loved his brethren, and deemed it an honor to have his name upon the roll of the Alabama Conference. He was a kind, affectionate, devoted husband and father, and found his highest earthly pleasure in his home life. During the last days of his illness he suffered severely, but bore it with Christian fortitude and patient submission. His faith was firm and his hope clear to the last. The day before he died he said, "I have fought a good fight." A few hours before his spirit passed away he asked a friend to pray, and when the prayer was ended said, "Oh, the power of prayer!" and in a short time, in the arms of faith and on the wings of love, he swept through the gates into the everlasting city.

JOHN E. COLLINS was born June 5, 1869, in Barbour county, Ala., and died June 30, 1897, at Hartford, Geneva county, Ala. He was licensed to preach by the Quarterly Conference of the Eufaula Circuit, May 28, 1888. He went to California in April, 1892, and Bishop Haygood appointed him as a supply on the Adelaide charge, and at the next session of the Annual Conference he was appointed to the same charge. He returned to the Alabama Conference in 1893, and was appointed to the Echo Circuit. At our last Conference he was sent to the Pendleton Circuit, where he fell at his post of duty. He at one time volunteered as a missionary to China or Japan,

and awaited the opportunity to carry the gospel to the heathen, but was never assigned to that work. He was married to Miss Florence Buie, of Campbellton, Fla., June 5, 1895, and the attachment between them was ideal in its charm. Their home life expressed the lofty sentiment that wedded their hearts and linked their lives. A sweet babe sealed their love, and lives to brighten the life of the bereaved wife. Measured by the circumstances of his early life, the deceased was no ordinary man. Little, save the innate desire to be a *man*, contributed to his effort to rise among men. This purpose, baptized with power from on high, inspired him to seize and utilize the meager opportunities within his reach. He never swerved in his pursuit of knowledge, but went forward with a manly independence which promised rich results. His literary work was striking. What he did was well done, and a glance through his library showed that his books are marked with studious research. He was perhaps as thorough as any man in our Conference in the field covered by him in matters literary. In personal bearing he was nature's gentleman. A dignified mien, with courtly manners rendered doubly charming by a pure heart, gave him high rank among his comrades. He was modest and unassuming, and his true metal was only revealed when he was called on to battle for his convictions. As calm and gentle as a queenly woman, yet as brave as a knight of old, he met the issues in his work in such a way as to thrill the hearts of those who love God. Amid acrimonious criticism, barbed with insinuations and innuendoes, he proceeded undismayed. A remarkably self-poised nature gave him charming self-command. One of such forceful character naturally makes mistakes in the early part of his career. Once shown that he was in error, the true chivalry of his manhood was evidenced by his ready espousal of better things. He was a pious man. His personal purity was a shield through which no missile could penetrate. His devotion in private and in public unfolded his power of mind and heart in well-rounded proportions. He bade fair to take high rank in the Church, when he should reach the maturity of his manly powers. But he has fallen. Scarcely more than a week's illness carried him away. He began to sink about the close of day. All night he lingered. His strong constitution yielded stubbornly to death. He thought he was on a journey, for which he had made preparation. He at last approached his destination; then when the first faint light of day was visible, he spoke of the beautiful sunlight and pavements of gold. With his last breath he gasped, "This is eternity!" He was at his journey's end, and at home.

Ques. 20. Are all the preachers blameless in their life and official administration? Their names were called over, one by one, and their characters examined and passed, except that of A. C. Hundley, who was deposed from the ministry and expelled from the Church.

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

Montgomery District.

	White Mem's.	Colored Mem's.	Loc'l Pr's.
Montgomery: Court Street.....	814	.....	3
Dexter Avenue.....	506	.....	2
Holt Street.....	255	.....	1
McDonough and Goode Street....	133	.....	.....
Tuskegee Station.....	270	.....	2
Tuskegee Circuit.....	453	.....	2
Warrior Stand Circuit.....	266	.....	.....
Crawford Circuit.....	470	.....	1
Salem Circuit.....	354	.....	1
Opelika Station.....	557	.....	4
Auburn Station.....	220	.....	2
Loachapoka Circuit.....	604	.....	5
Roxana Circuit.....	398	.....	4
Tallassee and Sistrunk.....	398	.....	.....
Pleasant Grove Circuit.....	546	.....	.....
Harmony Circuit.....	390	.....	1
	6,639	.....	23

Mobile District.

	White Mem's.	Colored Mem's.	Loc'l Pr's.
Mobile: Government Street.....	521	.....	.....
St. Francis Street.....	705	.....	1
Broad Street.....	240	.....	2
Spring Hill Avenue.....	40	.....	1
Mobile Circuit.....	400	.....	.....
Daphne Circuit.....	288	1	2
Whistler Station.....	179	.....	.....
Mt. Vernon Circuit.....	204	.....	1
Citronelle Circuit.....	324	.....	.....
Isney Circuit.....	502	.....	.....
Bladen and St. Stephen's.....	400	.....	1
Fairford Circuit.....	419	.....	1
Suggsville Circuit.....	226	.....	1
Grove Hill Circuit.....	391	.....	2
Satipala Circuit.....	350	.....	.....
	5,199	1	12

Eufaula District.

Eufaula: First Church.....	446	.....	1
Washington Street.....	368	.....	2
Eufaula Circuit.....	394	.....	3
Villula Circuit.....	267	.....	1
Seale and Hurtsboro.....	366	.....	1
Phenix City Station.....	411	.....	.....
Girard Station.....	267	.....	1
Midway Circuit.....	360	.....	.....
Perote Circuit.....	290	.....	1
Ozark Station.....	495	.....	1
Clayton Station.....	305	.....	1
Louisville Circuit.....	440	.....	2
Asbury Circuit.....	543	.....	2
Daleville Circuit.....	522	.....	1
Abbeville Station.....	147	.....	1
Clopton Circuit.....	388	.....	1
Haleburg Circuit.....	257	.....	1
	6,206	.....	20

Greensboro District.

Greensboro Station.....	360	.....	5
Greensboro Mission.....	128	.....	1
Newberne Circuit.....	252	1	.....
Marion Station.....	215	.....	1
Marion Circuit.....	550	.....	2
Havana Circuit.....	880	.....	2
Greene Circuit.....	273	.....	1
Gainesville Circuit.....	303	1	1
Livingston and Eutaw.....	228	.....	1
York Circuit.....	324	.....	1
Pelham Circuit.....	370	.....	.....
Butler Circuit.....	233	1	.....
Womack Hill Circuit.....	538	.....	2
	4,654	3	17

Marianna District.

Marianna Station.....	106	.....	.....
Marianna Mission.....	75	.....	1
Greenwood Circuit.....	391	.....	1
Ochesee Circuit.....	352	.....	.....
Wewahitchka Mission.....	183	.....	.....
Orange Hill Mission.....	482	.....	2
Freeport Circuit.....	165	.....	1
Westville Circuit.....	246	.....	1
ChIPLEY Circuit.....	898	.....	2
Pondtown Circuit.....	890	.....	2
Geneva Station.....	280	.....	2
Coffee Springs Circuit.....	376	.....	.....
Elba Circuit.....	270	.....	.....
Clintonville Circuit.....	595	.....	4
Echo Circuit.....	543	.....	4
Newton Circuit.....	675	.....	4
Big Creek Circuit.....	548	.....	2
Dothan Station.....	456	.....	2
Columbia Station.....	173	.....	.....
Gordon Circuit.....	290	.....	2
	7,994	.....	30

Selma District.

Selma: Church Street.....	520	.....	.....
Water Street.....	126	.....	.....
Summerfield Circuit.....	260	.....	.....
Centerville Circuit.....	255	.....	.....
Uniontown Station.....	196	.....	.....
Fannsdale Circuit.....	82	.....	.....
Demopolis Station.....	197	.....	.....
Dayton Circuit.....	248	.....	.....
Orrville Circuit.....	229	.....	1
Arlington Circuit.....	171	.....	.....
Magnolia Circuit.....	357	.....	1
Sweetwater Circuit.....	311	.....	.....
Lower Peach Tree Circuit.....	873	.....	1
Thomasville Station.....	164	.....	2
Thomasville Mission.....	389	.....	.....
	3,878	.....	5

Union Springs District.

Union Springs Station.....	307	.....	1
Troy Station.....	404	.....	2
Brundidge Circuit.....	563	.....	3
Shady Grove Circuit.....	416	1	2
La Pine Circuit.....	397	.....	.....
Pine Level Circuit.....	401	.....	1
Mt. Hilliard Circuit.....	500	.....	1
Mt. Meigs Circuit.....	116	.....	.....
Letohatchie.....	201	.....	2
Greenville Station.....	344	.....	.....
Greenville Circuit.....	336	.....	2
Bolling Station.....	163	.....	1
Oakey Streak Circuit.....	420	.....	2
Rutledge Circuit.....	390	.....	3
Luverne Circuit.....	448	.....	2
Andalusia Circuit.....	310	1	.....
Flovala Circuit.....	90	.....	.....
	5,748	2	22

Prattville District.

Prattville Station.....	380	.....	2
Robinson Springs Circuit.....	559	.....	2
Wetumpka Station.....	174	.....	.....
Verbena Circuit.....	232	.....	2
Clanton Circuit.....	423	.....	1
Autaugaville Circuit.....	326	.....	.....
Autaugaville Mission.....	217	.....	.....
Plantersville Circuit.....	293	.....	.....
Randolph Circuit.....	306	.....	.....
Fort Deposit Station.....	172	.....	.....
Lowndesboro Circuit.....	101	.....	1
Pleasant Hill Circuit.....	165	.....	.....
Pineapple Circuit.....	357	.....	.....
Camden and Oak Lawn.....	120	.....	.....
Bell's Landing Circuit.....	289	.....	1
	4,116	.....	9

Pensacola District.

	White Men's.	Colored Men's.	Loc'l Pr's.
Pensacola Station.....	405	.....	2
Pensacola Mission.....	73	.....	1
Pensacola Circuit.....	161	.....	2
Milton and Bagdad.....	291	.....	.....
Powelton Circuit.....	328	.....	3
South Rosa Mission.....	334	.....	.....
Bay Minette and Pollard.....	498	.....	3
May Creek Mission.....	226	.....	.....
Brewton Station.....	414	.....	3
Stockton Circuit.....	334	.....	.....
Bellville Circuit.....	467	.....	.....
Monroeville Circuit.....	321	.....	1
Evergreen and Castleberry.....	279	.....	.....
Garland Mission.....	277	.....	2
Georgiana Circuit.....	428	.....	4
Forest Home Circuit.....	304	.....	.....
Sepulga Circuit.....	633	.....	1
River Ridge Circuit.....	334	.....	1
	6,047	.....	23

Recapitulation.

Mobile District.....	5,199	1	12
Greensboro District.....	4,654	3	17
Selma District.....	3,878	.....	5
Prattville District.....	4,116	.....	9
Montgomery District.....	6,639	.....	28
Eufaula District.....	6,206	.....	20
Marianna District.....	7,994	.....	30
Union Springs District.....	5,748	2	22
Pensacola District.....	6,047	.....	23
Total this year.....	50,481	6	166
Total last year.....	49,628	8	173
Increase.....	853	.....	.....
Decrease.....	.....	2	7

Ques. 22. How many infants have been baptized during the year? 885.

Ques. 23. How many adults have been baptized during the year? 1,488.

Ques. 24. What is the number of Epworth Leagues? 54.

Ques. 25. What is the number of Epworth League members? 2,355.

Ques. 26. What is the number of Sunday schools? 447.

Ques. 27. What is the number of Sunday-school teachers? 3,590.

Ques. 28. What is the number of Sunday-school scholars? 28,525.

Ques. 29. What amount is necessary for the superannuated preachers and the widows and orphans of preachers? \$10,450.

Ques. 30. What has been collected on the foregoing account? and how has it been applied? \$7,685.83. Applied to claimants.

Ques. 31. What has been contributed for Missions? Foreign Missions, \$10,967.24; Domestic Missions, \$3,791.30. Total, \$14,758.54.

Ques. 32. What has been contributed for Church Extension? \$3,191.14.

Ques. 33. What has been done for the American Bible Society? \$357.57.

Ques. 34. What has been contributed for the support of presiding elders and preachers in charge? Presiding elders, \$15,114.06; preachers in charge, \$80,778.44.

Ques. 35. What has been contributed for the support of bishops? \$1,557.20.

Ques. 36. What is the number of societies, and the number and estimated value

of church edifices? Societies, 613; church edifices, 550; value, \$722,069.50.

Ques. 37. What is the number of pastoral charges, and the number and value of parsonages owned by them? Charges, 146; parsonages, 107; value, \$124,442.

Ques. 38. What is the number and value of district parsonages? Number, 4; value, \$10,000.

Ques. 39. What are the educational statistics? Southern University (male): Officers and teachers, 8; students, 175; value of property, \$125,000; endowment, \$35,000. Alabama Conference Female College: Officers and teachers, 14; students, 130; value of property, \$90,000. Mobile District High School: Officers and teachers, 2; students, 50; value of property, \$2,500. Selma District High School: Officers and teachers, 4; students, 70; value of property, \$1,500. Montgomery District High School: Officers and teachers, 4; students, 100; value of property, \$3,000. Eufaula District High School: Officers and teachers, 5; students, 140; value of property, \$3,600. Marianna District High School: Officers and teachers, 2; students, 74; value of property, \$2,000. Pensacola District High School: Officers and teachers, 4; students, 65; value of property, \$2,500.

Ques. 40. Where shall the next session of the Conference be held? Greensboro, Ala.

Ques. 41. Where are the preachers stationed this year?

MOBILE DISTRICT.

M. S. Andrews, P. E.

Mobile: Government Street, A. J. Lamar.
St. Francis Street, W. P. Hurt.
Broad Street, J. B. Tate.
Spring Hill Avenue, to be supplied by T. A. White.

Mobile Circuit, J. A. Seale.
Daphne, J. W. Henson.
Whistler, L. C. Calhoun.
Mount Vernon, C. S. Talley.
Citronelle, H. S. Ellison.
Isney, W. T. Rencher.
Bladen Springs, J. W. Killough.
Fairford, G. H. Smith.
Suggsville, T. P. Fincher.
Grove Hill, O. S. Welch.
Jackson, C. W. Gavin.
Conference Secretary of Education, A. J. Lamar.

GREENSBORO DISTRICT.

J. A. Peterson, P. E.

Greensboro, W. M. Cox; G. F. Ellis, Sup.
Greensboro Circuit, J. W. Mathison.
Newberne, T. W. Roberts.
Marion, J. B. K. Spain.
Marion Circuit, G. M. Calhoun.
Havana, A. J. Cousins.
Greene, J. D. Kersh.

Gainesville, W. Bancroft.
 Eutaw, F. A. Rogers.
 Livingston, I. F. Betts.
 Brewersville, N. A. Gillis.
 Pelham, E. G. Price.
 Butler, W. T. Ellisor.
 Choctaw, J. W. Rhinehart.
 Southern University, J. O. Keener, President; F. M. Peterson, Professor.

SELMA DISTRICT.

T. F. Mangum, P. E.

Selma: Church Street, J. W. Shoaff.
 Water Street, R. W. Greene.
 Summerfield, E. M. Turner.
 Centerville, H. C. Threadgill.
 Uniontown, J. Bancroft.
 Faunsdale, B. F. Marshall.
 Demopolis, R. H. Lewis.
 Dayton, J. P. Roberts.
 Orrville, J. M. Patton.
 Arlington, B. E. Feagin.
 Magnolia, W. F. Arnold.
 Sweetwater, T. D. Albright.
 Lower Peach Tree, G. Fontaine.
 Thomasville, J. P. Sanders.
 Bashi, J. A. Gorday.

PRATTVILLE DISTRICT.

H. Urquhart, P. E.

Prattville, A. J. Briggs.
 Robinson Springs, G. W. Hinton.
 Wetumpka, A. L. Andrews.
 Verbena, W. D. Taylor.
 Clauton, W. B. Dennis.
 Autaugaville Circuit, T. H. Jones.
 Autaugaville Mission, J. A. Groves.
 Plantersville, R. C. Williams.
 Randolph, J. F. Price.
 Fort Deposit, C. A. Cornell.
 Lowndesboro, M. H. Holt.
 Pleasant Hill, W. A. Prince.
 Pineapple, P. M. Guthrie.
 Camden and Oak Lawn, C. P. Atkinson.
 Bell's Landing, G. W. Jones.
 East Lake Atheneum, J. B. Cumming
 President.
 Student at Vanderbilt University, A. C.
 Bowen.

MONTGOMERY DISTRICT.

J. M. Mason, P. E.

Montgomery: Court Street, W. P. Dickinson.
 Dexter Avenue, C. A. Rush.
 Holt Street, W. S. Street.
 McDonough Street, E. L. Crawford.
 Tuskegee Station, J. E. McCann.
 Tuskegee Circuit, C. H. Motley; L. F.
 Dowdell, Sup.
 Warrior Stand, J. O. Noble.
 Crawford, O. S. Perry.
 Salem, W. P. H. Connerly.
 Opelika, O. C. McGehee.
 Auburn, J. W. Rush.
 Loachapoka, H. M. Gillis.

Sardis, to be supplied by H. I. Dupree.
 Tallassee and Sistrunk, A. Hood.
 East Tallassee and Bethel, J. E. Northcutt.
 Pleasant Grove, B. L. Moore.
 Harmony, to be supplied by W. L. Ansley.
 Editor Alabama Christian Advocate, J. O.
 Andrew.
 Montgomery District High School, J. E.
 Northcutt, Principal.
 Chaplain U. S. Navy, W. G. Isaacs.

EUFAULA DISTRICT.

W. S. Wade, P. E.

Eufaula: First Church, J. S. Frazer.
 Washington Street, W. Q. Vreeland.
 Eufaula Circuit, J. W. Hamner.
 Villula, W. A. McCann.
 Seale and Hurtsboro, J. W. Glenn.
 Phenix City, S. G. Boyd.
 Girard, Neil Gillis.
 Midway, I. F. Bilbro; J. M. Glenn, Sup;
 Perote, J. M. Shofner.
 Ozark, B. C. Glenn.
 Clayton, J. H. James.
 Louisville, G. K. Williams.
 Asbury, L. W. Powell.
 Daleville, W. B. Segrest.
 Abbeville, R. A. Moody.
 Clopton, C. Bates.
 Haleburg, to be supplied by T. L. Reynolds.

MARIANNA DISTRICT.

C. B. Pilley, P. E.

Marianna Station, J. R. McGlaun.
 Marianna Mission, to be supplied by T. L.
 L. Gilbert.
 Greenwood, J. F. Daily.
 Ochesea, A. C. Smith.
 Wewahitchka, O. J. Goodman.
 Orange Hill, W. D. Owens.
 Freeport, T. B. Barrow.
 Westville, to be supplied by H. B. Register.
 Chipley, R. A. Foster.
 Pondtown, A. B. Brown.
 Geneva, E. A. Dannelly.
 Coffee Springs, J. I. Weatherby.
 Elba, C. A. Williams.
 Clintonville, D. L. Lindsey.
 Echo, G. N. Winslett.
 Newton, J. M. Greene.
 Big Creek, D. J. Hartzog.
 Dothan, J. M. Dannelly.
 Columbia, N. R. Hamer.
 Gordon, J. W. Breedlove.

UNION SPRINGS DISTRICT.

J. R. Peavy, P. E.

Union Springs, A. S. Andrews.
 Troy, T. Y. Abernethy; S. A. Pilley, Sup.
 Brundidge, L. P. Latham.
 Shady Grove, W. J. Price.
 La Pine, J. C. Johnson.
 Pine Level, J. A. Stripling.

Mt. Hilliard, J. M. Sollie.
 Mt. Meigs, A. Dowling.
 Letohatchie, J. S. Williams.
 Greenville Station, H. Trawick.
 Greenville Circuit, R. J. Ross.
 Bolling, H. T. Johnson.
 Rutledge, D. B. Dismukes.
 Searight, J. B. Nelson.
 Luverne, E. E. Cowan.
 Andalusia, D. B. H. Jeffcoat.
 Conference Secretary of Missions, T. Y. Abernethy.

PENSACOLA DISTRICT.

W. H. Wild, P. E.

Pensacola Station, H. H. McNeill.
 Pensacola Mission, D. F. Ellisor.
 Pensacola Circuit, W. D. Heath.

Milton and Bagdad, L. H. S. Chappelle.
 Powelton, A. H. Moore.
 Santa Rosa, E. W. Roberts.
 Bay Minette, J. L. Skipper.
 May Creek, to be supplied.
 Brewton, E. L. Loveless.
 Stockton, J. S. F. Stephens.
 Castleberry, J. O. Lawrence.
 Monroeville, J. L. Grace.
 Evergreen, J. P. Hamilton.
 Garland, I. W. Chalker.
 Georgiana and Dunham, G. M. Sellers.
 Forest Home, A. L. Sellers.
 Sepulga, T. L. Adams.
 River Ridge, J. F. Feagin.
 Pensacola District High School, J. B. Adams, Principal.

Transferred. — T. K. Roberts, to the North Alabama Conference.

EAST TEXAS CONFERENCE.

HELD AT PALESTINE, TEX., DECEMBER 15-20, 1897.

BISHOP GRANBERY, *President*; A. J. FRICK, *Secretary*.

QUESTION 1. Who are admitted on trial?
 ANSWER. J. D. Pollard, K. P. Barton, C. B. Crass, J. J. Rap, W. W. Gallihugh, R. O. Baily. 6.

Ques. 2. Who remain on trial? F. A. Downs, C. H. Rice, M. Coppedge, D. S. Burke, W. W. Nunn, R. J. Smith, J. A. Harvey, J. M. Brewer, C. T. Cummings, J. M. Perry, W. S. Easterling, R. L. Steelman. 12.

Ques. 3. Who are discontinued? None.

Ques. 4. Who are admitted into full connection? Gus Garrison, S. E. Wilson, W. F. Hardy, P. R. White, H. L. Hare. 5.

Ques. 5. Who are readmitted? None.

Ques. 6. Who are received by transfer from other Conferences? None.

Ques. 7. Who are the deacons of one year? J. T. McClure, M. I. Brown, R. J. Birdwell, W. D. Lunn. 4.

Ques. 8. What traveling preachers are elected deacons? Gus Garrison, W. F. Hardy, D. R. White, H. L. Hare. 4.

Ques. 9. What traveling preachers are ordained deacons? Gus Garrison, W. F. Hardy, P. R. White, H. L. Hare. 4.

Ques. 10. What local preachers are elected deacons? Jesse Willis, B. C. Ansley, W. W. Wiggins; F. Smith, S. D. Hurger, A. E. Blount. 6.

Ques. 11. What local preachers are ordained deacons? Jesse Willis, B. C. Ansley, W. M. Wiggins, F. Smith, S. D. Hurger, A. E. Blount, W. H. Parnell. 7.

Ques. 12. What traveling preachers are elected elders? C. A. Tower, W. F. Davis, I. F. Pace, H. B. Smith, A. Methvin, D. L. Cain. 6.

Ques. 13. What traveling preachers are ordained elders? C. A. Tower, W. F. Davis, I. F. Pace, H. B. Smith, A. Methvin, D. L. Cain. 6.

Ques. 14. What local preachers are elected elders? G. M. Fletcher, W. C. Stallings. 2.

Ques. 15. What local preachers are ordained elders? G. M. Fletcher, W. C. Stallings. 2.

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

Ques. 17. Who are supernumerary? None.

Ques. 18. Who are superannuated? R. S. Finley, R. W. Thompson, M. Donegan, J. B. Hall, J. A. Smith, W. A. Sampey, A. D. Parks, R. H. Kimball. 8.

Ques. 19. What preachers have died during the past year? W. N. Bonner. 1.

W. N. BONNER was born in Hancock county, Ga., in the year 1806. He was converted, born of the Spirit, at a camp meeting in Baldwin county, Ga., in 1820, beginning a life of godliness at fourteen years of age. The morning, noon-day, and evening of life should be the Lord's. In less than one month after his conversion he joined the Methodist Epis-

copal Church. As far as we can learn he lived a faithful and true member of the Church for about thirty-five years, and then was licensed to exhort by Jefferson Shook. He was licensed to preach in 1856, the Rev. N. W. Burk being the presiding elder. Why he delayed this for so long we are not informed. It is possible that the call came about the time of his conversion, but was not heeded, delaying the great work until middle life. How many souls might have been saved had he entered the ministry earlier, eternity alone will tell. In November, 1857, Bishop Kavanaugh presiding, he joined the East Texas Conference on trial, and was sent to Randolph Mission. At the close of this year he went to Conference and was taken sick at the session, and was discontinued at his own request. He never applied for admission into the Conference again until 1867, ten years being thus lost to the Church. This session was held in Henderson, Rusk county, Bishop Wightman presiding. Here he was received again on trial, and sent to Dunlap Circuit. At the close of this year he was discontinued again, we suppose at his own request. In 1871 he was received on trial again, and was sent to the Neches Circuit. He was returned to Neches Circuit, having done a splendid work. Before the year closed he was changed to the Crockett Circuit. He was then sent to the Tyler Circuit; and here the record shows that he had great success, about one hundred persons being added to the Church. At the next Conference he was put on the supernumerary list. He was ordained deacon by Bishop Andrew at Jefferson, Tex., in 1860; ordained elder by Bishop Wightman in Henderson, Tex., in 1869; and departed this life in Tyler, Tex., May 14, 1897. A long life is ended in this world to be resumed on the other shore. While he was never a great preacher, and never filled great appointments, yet he was a true friend of the Church, a child of God, was strong in faith, and won many souls to Christ. He is at home, and his home is a mansion, and that mansion is in "the paradise of God."

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

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

Marshall District.

	Mem- bers.	Loc'l Pr's.
Marshall: First Church.....	451	3
North Side.....	249	3
Harrison Circuit.....	186	.....
Longview Station.....	307	1

Marshall District (Continued).

	Mem- bers.	Loc'l Pr's.
Henderson Station.....	187	1
Henderson Circuit.....	351	1
Kilgore Circuit.....	421	.....
Coffeerville Circuit.....	361	4
Jefferson Station.....	144	.....
Hallville Circuit.....	400	.....
Church Hill Circuit.....	393	3
Arleston Circuit.....	302	3
Beckville Circuit.....	531	1
Kellyville Circuit.....	331	1
	4,614	21

Pittsburg District.

Pittsburg Station.....	416	4
Winfield Circuit.....	653	2
Texarkana: State Line.....	464	.....
Rose Hill.....	183	.....
Leesburg Circuit.....	500	2
Quitman Circuit.....	550	1
New Boston Circuit.....	337	1
Gilmer Circuit.....	545	3
Dangerfield Circuit.....	504	1
Mt. Pleasant Station.....	190	2
Naples Circuit.....	309	3
Dalby Springs Circuit.....	235	3
Queen City Circuit.....	291	.....
Atlanta Station.....	174	1
Musgrove Springs Circuit.....	441	2
Redwater Mission.....	465	.....
De Kalb Mission.....	299	1
Linden Circuit.....	660	2
	7,216	28

Tyler District.

Tyler: Marvin.....	441	4
Cedar Street.....	168	.....
City Mission.....	69	.....
Tyler Circuit.....	585	4
Edom Circuit.....	996	4
White House Circuit.....	432	4
New York Circuit.....	612	4
Canton Circuit.....	408	1
Emory Mission.....	520	5
Lindale Circuit.....	344	1
Troupe and Overton.....	685	4
Malakoff Circuit.....	172	3
Wills Point Circuit.....	175	1
Wills Point Station.....	341	2
Mineola Station.....	210	.....
Athens Station.....	222	1
Grand Saline Circuit.....	457	1
Walton.....	470	2
	7,307	41

Palestine District.

Palestine Station.....	520	1
Brushy Creek Circuit.....	330	5
Grapeland Circuit.....	326	2
Trinity and Lovelady Station.....	252	1
Groveton Circuit.....	249	1
Alto Circuit.....	480	2
Jacksonville Circuit.....	684	1
Jacksonville Station.....	243	1
Rusk Station.....	372	.....
Elkhart Circuit.....	432	4
Holcombe Circuit.....	366	1
Crockett Circuit.....	485	.....
Crockett Station.....	260	2
Wells Mission.....	154	2
Lufkin Station.....	298	1
Homer Circuit.....	463	3
	5,914	27

San Augustine District.

San Augustine and Chireno Station.....	326	2
Teneha Circuit.....	452	4
Carthage Circuit.....	347	.....
Sharpesville Mission.....	286	2
Center Station.....	258	.....
Center Circuit.....	455	1

San Augustine District (Continued).

	Mem- bers.	Loc'l Pr's.
Garrison Circuit.....	461	1
Nacogdoches Station.....	215	.....
Timpson Station.....	225	.....
Melrose Circuit.....	365	1
Minden Circuit.....	404	.....
Shelbyville Circuit.....	346	2
Appley Mission.....	233	1
Sexton Circuit.....	305	.....
Hemphill Circuit.....	171	3
Douglass Mission.....	240	1
	5,081	18

Beaumont District.

Beaumont Station.....	464	1
Beaumont Mission.....	206	1
Woodville and Colmesneil Circuit.....	271	1
Livingston Circuit.....	164	.....
Jasper Circuit.....	155	.....
Burkville Circuit.....	488	10
Orange Station.....	440	.....
Konntz Circuit.....	242	1
Point Bolivar Circuit.....	100	1
Jasper Mission.....	300	3
Moscow Mission.....	161	3
China Mission.....	75	1
	3,071	22

Recapitulation.

Marshall District.....	4,614	21
Pittsburg District.....	7,216	28
Tyler District.....	7,307	41
Palestine District.....	5,914	27
San Augustine District.....	5,089	18
Beaumont District.....	3,071	22
Total this year.....	33,211	157
Total last year.....	33,721	183
Decrease.....	510	26

Ques. 22. How many infants have been baptized during the year? 804.

Ques. 23. How many adults have been baptized during the year? 1,288.

Ques. 24. What is the number of Epworth Leagues? 47.

Ques. 25. What is the number of Epworth League members? 1,708.

Ques. 26. What is the number of Sunday schools? 258.

Ques. 27. What is the number of Sunday-school teachers? 1,614.

Ques. 28. What is the number of Sunday-school scholars? 13,530.

Ques. 29. What amount is necessary for the superannuated preachers and the widows and orphans of preachers? \$1,800.

Ques. 30. What has been collected on the foregoing account? and how has it been applied? \$1,335.55. Applied to claimants.

Ques. 31. What has been contributed for Missions? Foreign Missions, \$3,490.30; Domestic Missions, \$2,276.45. Total, \$5,766.75.

Ques. 32. What has been contributed for Church Extension? \$1,063.40.

Ques. 33. What has been done for the American Bible Society? \$120.25.

Ques. 34. What has been contributed for the support of presiding elders and

preachers in charge? Presiding elders, \$5,962.20; preachers in charge, \$38,754.22.

Ques. 35. What has been contributed for the support of bishops? \$710.15.

Ques. 36. What is the number of societies, and the number and estimated value of church edifices? Societies, 448; church edifices, 308½; value, \$279,680.

Ques. 37. What is the number of pastoral charges, and the number and value of parsonages owned by them? Charges, 97; parsonages, 81; value, \$58,096.50.

Ques. 38. What is the number and value of district parsonages? Number, 6; value, \$7,750.

Ques. 39. What are the educational statistics? Southwestern University; Officers and teachers, 22; students, 425; value of property, \$85,000. Alexander Collegiate Institute: Officers and teachers, 4; students, 86; value, \$12,000. Income last year, \$25,157.14.

Ques. 40. Where shall the next session of the Conference be held? Beaumont.

Ques. 41. Where are the preachers stationed this year?

MARSHALL DISTRICT.

L. M. Fowler, P. E.

Marshall: First Church, D. F. C. Timmons.

North Side, D. W. Towns.
Harrison Circuit, W. W. Graham.
Arleston Circuit, D. P. Cullen.
Jefferson Circuit, Ellis Smith.
Kellyville Circuit, W. W. Gollighugh.
Longview Station, A. J. Frick.
Coffeerville Circuit, R. L. Steelman.
Hallville Circuit, Gus Garrison.
Beckville Circuit, J. M. Mills.
Kilgore Circuit, J. C. Carr.
Henderson Station, C. F. Smith.
Henderson Circuit, J. G. Pollard.
Church Hill Circuit, H. B. Smith.

PITTSBURG DISTRICT.

T. P. Smith, P. E.

Pittsburg Station, J. S. Mathis.
Leesburg Circuit, R. J. Smith.
Musgrove Springs Circuit, S. W. Jones.
Quitman Circuit, W. T. Ayers.
Gilmer Circuit, S. Nelson.
Dangerfield Circuit, L. H. McGee.
Mt. Pleasant Station, A. A. Wagon.
Winfield Circuit, G. R. Hughes.
Naples Circuit, H. W. Bowman.
Linden Circuit, C. A. Tower.
Atlanta Station, J. W. Johnson.
Queen City Circuit, C. T. Cummings.
Redwater Mission, B. T. Hayes.
Texarkana: State Line, J. A. Beagle.
Fairview Mission, G. C. Hardy.
New Boston Circuit, W. J. Owens.
De Kalb Mission, J. M. McCarter.
Dalby Springs Circuit, William Sproule.

TYLER DISTRICT.

John Adams, P. E.

Tyler: Marvin, B. H. Greathouse.
 Cedar Street, W. W. McAnally.
 City Mission, F. A. Downs.
 Tyler Circuit, G. W. Riley.
 Lindale Circuit, J. W. Bridges.
 Mineola Station, C. B. Cross.
 Emory Circuit, to be supplied by G. M. Fletcher.
 Grand Saline Circuit, to be supplied by C. Ansley.
 Wills Point, A. Little.
 Wills Point Circuit, E. R. Large.
 Canton Circuit, C. H. Smith.
 Edom Circuit, C. B. Vinson.
 Malakoff Circuit, A. A. Kidd.
 Athens Station, W. P. Pledger.
 New York Circuit, P. R. White.
 Troupe and Overton Circuit, S. N. Allen.
 White House Circuit, M. I. Brown.

PALESTINE DISTRICT.

O. P. Thomas, P. E.

Palestine Station, I. Alexander.
 West Palestine, A. Methvin.
 Brushy Creek Circuit, J. B. Luker.
 Elkhart Circuit, L. A. Burk.
 Grapeland Circuit, J. M. Perry.
 Holcombe Circuit, O. A. Shook.
 Crockett Station, A. S. Whitehurst.
 Crockett Circuit, J. T. Kirkpatrick.
 Trinity and Groveton, G. V. Ridley.
 Groveton Circuit, W. F. Hardy.
 Wells Mission, J. W. Brewer.
 Alto Circuit, W. L. Pate.
 Rusk Station, A. J. Weeks.
 Jacksonville Station, V. A. Godbey.
 Jacksonville Circuit, T. T. Booth.

SAN AUGUSTINE DISTRICT.

J. T. Smith, P. E.

San Augustine and Chireno, M. Coppedge.

Sharpville Mission, to be supplied by J. M. Smith.

Hemphill Mission, W. D. Lum.
 Sexton Circuit, E. J. Gates.
 Shelbyville Circuit, J. Helpenstell.
 Center Station, J. B. Turrentine.
 Center Circuit, I. F. Pace.
 Teneha Circuit, S. M. Thompson.
 Carthage Circuit, J. L. Dawson.
 Timpson Station, J. W. Downs.
 Minden Circuit, J. D. Burke.
 Garrison Circuit, D. L. Cain.
 Appleby Mission, J. W. Goodwyn.
 Nacogdoches Station, L. A. Webb.
 Melrose Circuit, C. B. Smith.
 Lufkin Station, W. F. Davis.
 Homer Circuit, W. W. Nunn.

BEAUMONT DISTRICT.

T. J. Milam, P. E.

Beaumont Station, W. W. Watts.
 Beaumont Mission, K. P. Barton.
 Orange Station, I. T. Stafford.
 Sabine Pass Mission, J. D. Dorsey.
 Bolivar Circuit, J. L. Williams.
 Liberty Circuit, H. L. Hare.
 Livingston Circuit, W. A. Manly.
 Leggett Mission, C. H. Rice.
 Pinkney Mission, R. O. Bailey.
 Woodville and Colmesneil, J. J. Rape.
 Kountz Circuit, W. S. Easterling.
 Newton Mission, to be supplied.
 Jasper Mission, D. S. Burke.
 Jasper Station, J. T. McClure.
 Burkville Circuit, J. A. Harvey.
 Corresponding Secretary of Missions, J. T. Smith.
 Secretary of Education, D. F. C. Timmons.

Transferred.—J. C. H. McKnight, to the West Texas Conference; S. E. Wilson, to the Pacific Conference.

FLORIDA CONFERENCE.

HELD AT TAMPA, FLA., DECEMBER 17-20, 1897.

BISHOP DUNCAN, *President*; FREDERICK PASCO, *Secretary*.

QUESTION 1. Who are admitted on trial?
 ANSWER. M. T. Bell, E. A. Harrison, J. N. Weatherford. 3.

Ques. 2. Who remain on trial? R. L. Sprinkle, R. L. Sumner, Charles W. White, J. R. Walker, H. Baker, T. G. Blue. 6.

Ques. 3. Who are discontinued?

Ques. 4. Who are admitted into full con-

nection? James H. Owen, William A. Wier, E. J. Hardee, S. Hardin, James L. Pattillo, H. W. Baker, I. E. Barredo, M. E. Diaz. 8.

Ques. 5. Who are readmitted? None.

Ques. 6. Who are received by transfer from other Conferences? R. L. Sprinkle, from the Western North Carolina Confer-

ence; James L. Pattillo, from the North Georgia Conference; Henry E. Partridge, from the Mississippi Conference. 3.

Ques. 7. Who are the deacons of one year? J. Beers, J. F. Bell. 2.

Ques. 8. What traveling preachers are elected deacons? H. W. Baker, M. E. Diaz. 2.

Ques. 9. What traveling preachers are ordained deacons? H. W. Baker, M. E. Diaz. 2.

Ques. 10. What local preachers are elected deacons? John R. Walker, Cordy D. Parkerson, George T. Glazier, Homer E. Hooks, Benjamin T. Coleman, Robert P. Owen, E. W. Warlick. 7.

Ques. 11. What local preachers are ordained deacons? John R. Walker, C. D. Parkerson, George F. Glazier, H. E. Hooks, B. T. Coleman, R. P. Owen, E. W. Warlick. 7.

Ques. 12. What traveling preachers are elected elders? Harry W. Penny, Robert J. Wells, Clinton H. Greer, Marion F. Dukes, Nathan L. Wiggins, Isidore E. Barredo. 6.

Ques. 13. What traveling preachers are ordained elders? H. W. Penny, R. J. Wells, C. H. Greer, M. F. Dukes, N. L. Wiggins, I. E. Barredo. 6.

Ques. 14. What local preachers are elected elders? James M. Dieffenwierth, Daniel T. McMullen. 2.

Ques. 15. What local preachers are ordained elders? James M. Dieffenwierth, Daniel T. McMullen. 2.

Ques. 16. Who are located this year? Arthur D. Penny, E. K. Whidden, J. W. Porter. 3.

Ques. 17. Who are supernumerary? J. T. Waters, W. J. Gray, W. F. Shoemaker, G. K. Heydrick. 4.

Ques. 18. Who are superannuated? E. F. Gates, A. Johnson, J. G. Graham, J. D. Rogers, E. Wilson, J. C. Ley, W. H. Parker. 7.

Ques. 19. What preachers have died during the past year? E. L. T. Blake, J. T. Nolen, C. F. Mellor. 3.

EDWIN L. T. BLAKE was born in St. Mary's, Ga., June 26, 1823; was converted through the instrumentality of his pious little sister and his beloved parents, and joined the Methodist Episcopal Church in June, 1835. He was licensed to preach at Newnansville, Fla., November 21, 1842; received on trial into the Georgia Conference at Savannah, Ga., in January, 1843; received into full connection at the first session of the Florida Conference in Tallahassee, and ordained a deacon by Bishop Soule, February 9, 1845; and was ordained elder by Bishop Capers, at Quincy, February 14, 1847. He was married to Miss Mary A. Myers, January 11, 1848, and died at Ocala, February 9, 1897. In 1851 he was left without an appointment on account of ill health. In 1852-54 he

was designated Agent of the American Bible Society for Florida and Southern Georgia. In 1855 he was superannuated, and continued in that relation until January, 1871, when he resumed pastoral work. The honorary degree of Doctor of Divinity was conferred on him by Emory College, in 1877. He was elected a member of three General Conferences—namely, those of 1850, 1870, and 1878. The first and last he attended. In 1850 he was a member of the Committee on Itinerancy; in 1878 of the Committee on Episcopacy. In 1870 the illness of his wife prevented his attendance. While always profoundly grateful for any expression of confidence and good will on the part of his brethren, he never directly or indirectly sought honors or preferments of any kind. He was not present at the Conference in Tampa which elected him to the General Conference of 1878. A phrenologist advised him in 1846, when he was twenty-three years old, to cultivate what he called the organ of love of approbation. Said he, "You care too little what other people think of you." At any rate, he never consciously tried to be popular, but simply endeavored to do his duty as he saw it. This eminent servant of Christ and his Church went in and out before the people of Georgia and Florida for many years, illustrating and illuminating the gospel he so effectively and eloquently preached. Never of robust constitution, the labors of the itinerant ministry often seemed to threaten his life; but amid the vicissitudes of his condition he remained devoted to the work which he had from his youth accepted as his mission. After a restful period as a superannuated preacher, which his enfeebled state demanded, he was made effective at the Conference of 1871. From that day he zealously met the duties of his ministry until failing health and the accession of infirmities, in 1892, announced that the eloquent minister and devoted pastor could serve no longer amid the clash and strenuous endeavor of the battlefield, and with chastened and resigned spirit he accepted a place on the roll of honor among the "old guard," to be thenceforth held in perpetual remembrance by his brethren for the life he had illumined and the trophies he had won for the kingdom of our Lord. One who knew him long and well and loved him truly thus speaks of him: "Dr. Blake was naturally of a quick temperament, but he patiently educated himself into due self-government. Beginning before manhood to train himself to implicit obedience to the commands of the Master and the sacred duties of the pastorate, as a pattern of holy living, a leader of sinners out of depravity into the way of righteousness, and a teacher of the profound philosophy of an inner spiritual and outer active life of godliness, he dis-

closed the developed judgment, advanced intelligence, and ripening devoutness and humility that led him to measure his position, and enabled him to line up his high responsibilities with the life of the sanctuary. During his long and varied Church work his humility of spirit and just estimate of a preacher's life and responsibilities were often made observable to intimate friends. He never rose from his seat to the sacred desk without showing a disturbance of his physical nature, but the trained habit of self-mastery and intense absorption in the subject he was opening dispelled confusion, and he advanced to an impressive calmness of aspect and resonance of voice in mystic harmony with his exalted thought. A great man is God's best gift to men, and if today we look back upon this man it is not that we may glorify him or raise him to a false eminence, but that we may glorify God in him. Not to recognize God's gift in manhood is to be unworthy the bounty and the grace of God. It were as easy to blot out from a landscape a mountain that rears its snowy crest beyond the clouds as to forget or ignore the presence of great men in God's earth and in Christ's Church. Again, we quote from an appreciative tribute to the memory of our brother: "In the pulpit he rarely failed to absorb the attention and sway the intelligent reason, or uplift faith, or brush away despondency, or open the fountain of emotion, or stir to penitence and conviction. He possessed the electrical power to bring himself and his hearers into full sympathy, and thus produce unusual results. This power often displayed itself in a procession of "thoughts that breathed and words that burned," opening floods of joyful tears or irrepressible shouts of gladness. This magnetic gift in him was closely joined to an indescribable simplicity of movement, aspect, thought, language, and tone, that shot over the nerves of his hearers like the vibratory motion of electricity, too strong or too sweet to suffer any resistance. Not want of alertness of thought or delivery, but an obstructive form of disease, made his utterance at first unnecessarily slow; but the intruder soon relinquished the field." Married, in his twenty-fourth year, to an ideal woman, his home life was sweet and beautiful. As a husband, he was attentive, considerate, sympathetic, and devoted to his wife. As a father, he was firm, yet kind, thoughtful of his children; and, planning for their highest interests, they recognized in him a nobility of soul they longed they might possess. His life was an inspiration to them, and they realized that as Enoch walked with God their father enjoyed like blessed experience and companionship. The strifes and frets of theological neophytes disturbed him not: his faith in God and his assurance that Christ

was a perfect Saviour inspired him in his ministry to preach a whole gospel. He honored the Holy Spirit in his divine offices, and amid the restlessness of these unhappy times his soul was kept in perfect peace, because it was stayed on God. He insisted with the might of an irresistible logic that the doctrines of the Church, in relation to the cardinal experiences of salvation on the part of the personal believer, did not need meretricious definitions or extraneous aids; and so, repentance, regeneration, the witness of the Holy Spirit, and constant growth into the image of Christ, were the themes upon which he expatiated with thrilling voice and kindling eye and gold-tipped winged eloquence. And to-day we recall the life work of our venerable and glorified brother. We would not shut out from our mental vision his personality. By so much as he made the world brighter, God's thought clearer, man's duty simpler, life's sufferings easier to be borne, in that measure he was an incarnation of God's helpful love. And we think of him to-day, and we glorify God for him, and we pray that the apostolic and saintly succession of God's great and gifted sons may never cease.

JAMES T. NOLEN, late President of the Florida Conference College, was born in Western North Carolina, April 22, 1863, and died at Leesburg, Fla., November 27, 1897. Early in life he entered the Christian's heritage, becoming a member of our Church. Having formed no bad habits, and being industrious, he was able to enter Emory and Henry College, graduating at that institution in 1886 with the degree of Bachelor of Arts. While in college he won three medals for excellence in mathematics, natural science, and for the best essay upon a given topic, from the Hermesian Literary Society. After leaving college, he taught school for two years. Matriculating at Vanderbilt University, he graduated from that institution in 1891, winning first honor, and taking his degree of Bachelor of Divinity. While in the university he won three prizes for best work: the Elliott F. Shepard prize for the best historical essay; the Owen prize medal in systematic theology, and the founder's prize medal for scholarship. Teaching for a time in his native state, and also in Mississippi, he was shortly afterwards elected President of the Florida Conference College, and entered upon the duties of that position at the opening of the fall session in 1894. He became a member of the Florida Conference in December, 1896. Of a genial and magnetic temperament, he drew to himself his pupils, and from his well-stored mind, enriched with the treasures of classic lore, he poured out pearls of thought which were worthy to be mounted in the pure gold of manly

character. It is rare that so young a man possesses the aptness of the teacher as did he. One of his students remarked at the late commencement, "One cannot help learning from Professor Nolen." Coming to the college at a critical time, when the hearts of its trustees were grieved and burdened over its condition, he began the delicate and difficult work of unifying sentiment in its behalf and composing differences. That he succeeded, illustrates his fitness to be a leader of men. Always optimistic in the best sense, because his faith was anchored on the Great Teacher, he went over the Conference inspiring confidence and winning friends to the institution, until the bright star of hope was discerned rising on the horizon of the school. The work committed to Professor Nolen was no sinecure. The upbuilding of a young Church educational institution in a sparsely populated section, without endowment, without strong and influential friends, with antagonisms to be reconciled, and the daily problem of support confronting him, he yet wrought manfully and well. So much gratified were his brethren of the board of trustees that they accorded him honor for the faithful work he had done for God and Methodism in the Conference College. He had, by the force of his personality, attracted to the school an excellent corps of teachers, and, despite the financial stringency of the past two years, had secured for the college a commanding position as an educational foundation. The death of President Nolen came as a profound surprise. We knew of his illness, but, believing that his youth and vigor would prove victorious over disease, felt that he would soon be restored to health. There are no words with which to express our sense of loss at his departure. Christian faith assures us that God's hand is in this dispensation. It were well, however, that we recognize it; and if the sacrifice of a useful life such as was his means anything, perhaps God aims to bring our reluctant sense to realize that, useful and valuable as he was, he could dispense with his service: no man is so important that God depends upon him to carry on his work. We can never know the darkness of his Gethsemane: when tried and hampered and well-nigh overborne by the difficulties of his position, he went forward with hopeful words and winning smiles, and, for aught we know, with a breaking heart. Yet in the lives of his pupils the inspiration of his faith and devotion to duty, like a subtle power, was leading them to lay broad and deep foundations for future usefulness and blessing to the Church and the world. And so, he did not live in vain, though in the glory and strength of his manhood he laid down the work intrusted to him, and ceased to live among us in the flesh. We pour out our

thanks to God that his grace so mightily reënforces our spiritual natures that no labor is too difficult that he wishes us to undertake; and we thank him that, undaunted, Professor Nolen took up the heavy burden his brethren proffered him, because he believed he could serve God and his generation in the work of education for the Church of his love and choice.

CLARENCE F. MELLOR was born at Clarence Hollow, New York, August 15, 1865, and died at Weatherford, Tex., December 15, 1896. Brother Mellor was educated at Clarence Academy, and graduated from Lima Seminary in his twenty-first year. Entering the ministry shortly thereafter, he was stationed at Lockport, N. Y. Realizing the need of the highest equipment possible to be secured, he the following year entered Rochester University. While pursuing his studies at the university he was attacked with a serious illness which speedily developed into pneumonia. This laid the train which was eventually to end his useful life. Recovering sufficiently to travel, he went to Kansas, and for three years served a circuit in that Conference. Thinking that his health was now reëstablished, he returned to New Jersey, and completed his theological course in Drew Theological Seminary, graduating from that institution in 1893. So devoted was he to the work of the ministry that while a student at Drew he served as pastor at Anderson, N. J. Again admonished to seek a milder climate, he came to Florida in the winter of 1893. Our Conference was in session at Palatka, and he was received on trial among us. His first appointment was to the Interlachen and St. John's River Mission. This charge he served with great acceptance for two years, building a church at the first-named place, and remodeling and beautifying the church at Francis. During these two years his health greatly improved, and he cherished the hope that many years of usefulness lay before him as a minister of our Lord Jesus Christ. His next appointment was to the Callahan Mission. Here he contracted malarial fever. Soon his strength was exhausted. At the late session of our Conference at Tallahassee, brother Mellor was granted a supernumerary relation. It was hoped that a year of rest would result in his restoration to health, but alas! he went out from the blessed fellowship of that occasion to wrestle with the last enemy. His vitality was so depleted that he was unable to throw off the malady which attacked him; but thinking that a colder climate might eliminate the malarial poison in his system, he went to Texas, only to realize that no earthly refuge can avail when death storms the fortress of a human life. Dying among strangers as he did, we have every right to believe

that his unseen Lord sustained him in the last agony, wiping the dew of death from his face, and himself bore his servant's spirit to the changeless and sorrowless land of eternal life. Thus early in the struggle did our brother hear the command, "Come up higher!" and obedient to the voice of his Master, laid down his sword to receive the earnest of his heavenly knighthood. There are no accidents in providence, nor are there graves in heaven. We, in our poor way, misunderstand the divine methods of promotion. When one has wrought with valor and made many captives whom our King enfranchises, we think he has earned the right to a long and glorious life of warfare. But our view is hampered by many limitations. Beyond our horizon stretch vaster fields of enterprise and conquest. Who knows but the soldiers of the cross—the knights of Calvary—are promoted for more strenuous and noble effort in the land beyond the reach of mortal sight? It must be that this incomplete life is to be endlessly vivified in a higher sphere, so that the divinest thing for which the spirit can aspire is bound up in the words, "His servants shall serve him; and they shall see his face; and they shall be like him." For those who are so grievously smitten in this visitation, no human sympathy is adequate. In the life where death makes havoc only God can minister comfort. Vain seems the most beautiful tributes of respect and affection when the harp-strings of a life are broken, but it comforts us to know that the Lord thinketh upon us. We sorrow, because we are men, and mortal: there is no sorrow to those who have entered upon the rewards of immortality.

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

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

Tallahassee District.

	White Mem's	Colored Mem's	Loc'l Pr's.
Tallahassee.....	351	.....	1
Leon Circuit.....	157	.....	.....
Monticello.....	204	.....	.....
Madison Station.....	346	.....	4
Madison Circuit.....	460	.....	2
Mosely Hall and Taylor Mission...	209	.....	1
Waukeenah Circuit.....	319	.....	4
Wakulla Mission.....	263	.....	1
Concord Circuit.....	361	.....	1
Midway Mission.....	170	.....	.....
Quincy.....	126	.....	1
Gadsden Circuit.....	410	.....	4
Liberty Circuit.....	143	2	.....
Aucilla Circuit.....	220	.....	1
Apalachicola.....	149	.....	.....
Carabelle Mission.....	121	.....	.....
Woodville.....	55	.....	.....
	4,064	2	20

Live Oak District.

	White Mem's	Colored Mem's	Loc'l Pr's.
Live Oak.....	150	.....	1
Jasper.....	156	.....	.....
Hamilton Mission.....	141	.....	1
White Springs.....	230	.....	2
Welborn Circuit.....	338	.....	4
Pine Mount Mission.....	224	.....	1
Fort White Circuit.....	179	.....	1
La Fayette Mission.....	.....	.....	1
Newnansville Circuit.....	208	.....	4
Columbia Circuit.....	647	.....	1
Lake City.....	152	.....	.....
Lake Butler Circuit.....	154	.....	2
McClenny Mission.....	180	.....	1
Starke.....	128	.....	2
Waldo Mission.....	90	.....	2
High Springs Mission.....	170	.....	3
	3,097	.....	26

Jacksonville District.

	White Mem's	Colored Mem's	Loc'l Pr's.
McTyeir Memorial.....	162	.....	2
St. Matthew's.....	157	.....	.....
Riverside.....	122	.....	.....
Fernandina.....	94	.....	.....
King's Ferry Circuit.....	76	.....	.....
Callahan Circuit.....	170	.....	3
Mandarin Mission.....	73	.....	.....
Green Cove and Middleburg.....	95	.....	1
Palatka.....	217	.....	1
Interlachen.....	62	.....	1
St. John's Mission.....	43	.....	.....
St. Augustine.....	112	.....	.....
Fruitland Circuit.....	166	.....	.....
Volusia and De Land Mission.....	252	.....	.....
Sanford.....	170	.....	.....
New Smyrna.....	106	.....	1
Titusville and Cocoa.....	120	.....	.....
Indian River Mission.....	95	.....	1
Oviedo Circuit.....	165	.....	.....
Biscayne Bay Mission.....	37	.....	.....
De Land.....	64	.....	2
	2,558	.....	12

Gainesville District.

	White Mem's	Colored Mem's	Loc'l Pr's.
Gainesville.....	286	.....	1
Bronson Circuit.....	215	.....	1
Orange Springs Circuit.....	184	.....	2
Melrose Circuit.....	270	.....	.....
Citra.....	96	.....	.....
Micanopy Circuit.....	158	.....	1
Ocala.....	240	.....	3
Reddick Mission.....	163	.....	.....
Cotton Plant Circuit.....	181	.....	3
Wildwood Circuit.....	304	.....	2
Anthony Circuit.....	301	.....	2
Inverness Circuit.....	162	.....	.....
Sumter Circuit.....	211	.....	2
Stewart's Chapel.....	150	.....	.....
Brooksville.....	327	.....	3
Leesburg.....	201	.....	3
Marvin Circuit.....	127	.....	.....
Levy Mission.....	243	.....	5
Summerfield Circuit.....	104	.....	.....
Lady Lake Circuit.....	74	.....	.....
	3,997	.....	33

Orlando District.

	White Mem's	Colored Mem's	Loc'l Pr's.
Orlando and Fairview.....	372	1	1
Maitland Mission.....	115	.....	.....
Kissimmee Mission.....	151	.....	.....
Apopka Circuit.....	177	.....	1
Clermont Circuit.....	131	.....	2
Umatilla Circuit.....	211	.....	.....
Bartow.....	181	.....	.....
Kathleen and Greenwood Mission.	286	.....	2
Lakeland and Plant City.....	308	.....	3
Homeland and Fort Meade.....	187	.....	2
Bowling Green Circuit.....	277	.....	4
Wauchula Mission.....	88	.....	1
De Soto Circuit.....	400	.....	2
Arcadia.....	176	.....	1
Punta Gorda Mission.....	64	.....	.....

Orlando District (Continued).

	White Mem's.	Colored Mem's.	Loc'l Pr's.
Myers.....	101	1	.....
Fort Bassinger Mission.....	198	.....	.....
Caloosahatchie.....	117	.....	.....
	3,430	2	19

Tampa District.

Tampa.....	613	.....	2
Seffner and Port Tampa.....	260	.....	2
Hillsborough Mission.....	139	.....	1
Alafia Circuit.....	359	.....	1
Manatee.....	158	.....	2
Palmetto.....	175	.....	2
Sarasota.....	141	.....	3
Clear Water and St. Petersburg.....	298	.....	2
Largo Circuit.....	245	.....	2
Pasco Mission.....	404	.....	2
Dade City Circuit.....	191	.....	.....
Key Largo Circuit.....	89	.....	.....
Chuckaluskie Mission.....	44	.....	.....
Key West: First Charge.....	365	.....	.....
Spark's Chapel.....	379	.....	1
Memorial Chapel Mission.....	162	.....	.....
Cuban Mission.....	83	.....	.....
Tampa, Cuban Mission.....	67	.....	2
	4,037	.....	22

Recapitulation.

Tallahassee District.....	4,064	2	20
Live Oak District.....	3,097	.....	26
Jacksonville District.....	2,558	.....	12
Gainesville District.....	3,997	.....	53
Orlando District.....	3,430	2	19
Tampa District.....	4,037	.....	22
Total this year.....	2,238	4	132
Total last year.....	20,713	3	132
Increase.....	520	1	.....

Ques. 22. How many infants have been baptized during the year? 767.

Ques. 23. How many adults have been baptized during the year? 508.

Ques. 24. What is the number of Epworth Leagues? 100.

Ques. 25. What is the number of Epworth League members? 2,846.

Ques. 26. What is the number of Sunday schools? 289.

Ques. 27. What is the number of Sunday-school teachers? 1,932.

Ques. 28. What is the number of Sunday-school scholars? 12,784.

Ques. 29. What amount is necessary for the superannuated preachers and the widows and orphans of preachers? \$3,000.

Ques. 30. What has been collected on the foregoing account? and how has it been applied? \$1,831.64. Applied to claimants.

Ques. 31. What has been contributed for Missions? Foreign Missions, \$2,343.84; Domestic Missions, \$2,578.85. Total, \$4,922.69.

Ques. 32. What has been contributed for Church Extension? \$650.61.

Ques. 33. What has been done for the American Bible Society? \$117.50.

Ques. 34. What has been contributed for the support of presiding elders and preachers in charge? Presiding elders, \$5,590.93; preachers in charge, \$42,057.44.

Ques. 35. What has been contributed for the support of bishops? \$597.72.

Ques. 36. What is the number of societies, and the number and estimated value of church edifices? Societies, 385; church edifices, 294; value, \$338,850.50.

Ques. 37. What is the number of pastoral charges, and the number and value of parsonages owned by them? Charges, 110; parsonages, 93; value, \$93,985.

Ques. 38. What is the number and value of district parsonages? Number, 5; value, \$9,000.

Ques. 39. What are the educational statistics? Collected, \$872.33.

Ques. 40. Where shall the next session of the Conference be held? Gainesville.

Ques. 41. Where are the preachers stationed this year?

TALLAHASSEE DISTRICT.

A. E. Householder, P. E.

Tallahassee, J. B. Ley.

Leon Circuit, H. S. Miller.

Monticello, T. E. Shipp.

Quincy, T. W. Moore.

Madison, R. A. Holloway.

Madison Circuit, C. W. Inman.

Wakulla and Mission, W. S. McMannin; one to be supplied by B. T. Rape; W. J. Gray, Sup.

Waukeenah Circuit, N. L. Wiggins.

Taylor Mission, W. S. McMannin.

Concord Circuit, R. M. Williams.

Gadsden Circuit, I. Ryder; G. K. Heydrick, Sup.

Liberty Circuit, J. L. Jones.

Aucilla Circuit, M. F. Dukes.

Midway Mission, W. A. Wier.

Apalachicola, J. T. Bell.

Carabelle, E. J. Holmes.

LIVE OAK DISTRICT.

L. W. Moore, P. E.

Live Oak, T. C. Bradford.

Jasper, Henry Hice.

Hamilton Mission, to be supplied by W. A. Brown.

White Springs Circuit, J. R. Taylor.

Welborn Circuit, S. E. Phillips.

Pine Mount Mission, W. H. F. Robarts.

Fort White Circuit, B. F. Mason.

La Fayette Mission, A. M. Daiger.

Newnansville Circuit, R. O. Wier.

Lake City, G. D. Turner.

Lake Butler Circuit, George H. York.

McClenny Mission, R. L. Sumner.

Starke, J. A. Hendry.

Waldo and Mission, J. E. Mickler.

High Springs Mission, C. S. Clarity.

Columbia Circuit, G. P. Parker.

Student at Vanderbilt University, C. H. Greer.

GAINESVILLE DISTRICT.

J. C. Sale, P. E.

Gainesville, B. K. Thrower.

Bronson Circuit, S. Scott.

Orange Springs and Rochelle, I. A. Vernon.
 Melrose Circuit, S. W. Lawler.
 Citra, E. F. Ley.
 Micanopy Circuit, T. S. Armistead.
 Ocala, J. P. Hilburn.
 Summerfield, to be supplied by F. E. Steinmeyer.
 Marion Circuit, H. Dutill.
 Cotton Plant Circuit, G. J. Kennelly.
 Wildwood Circuit, J. Beers.
 Anthony Circuit, T. B. Reynolds; W. F. Shoemaker, Sup.
 Inverness Circuit, J. H. Vann.
 Sumter Circuit, W. F. Norton.
 Brooksville, J. T. Shands.
 Stewart's Chapel, R. M. Evans.
 Leesburg, T. Pixton.
 Lady Lake Circuit, J. S. Barnett.
 Dunnellon Mission, J. S. Collier.
 Levy Mission, to be supplied by C. D. Parkerson.
 Editor Florida Christian Advocate, J. Anderson.
 President Conference College, T. G. Lang.
 Conference Colporteur, R. H. Barnett.
 Educational Secretary, E. F. Ley.

JACKSONVILLE DISTRICT.

C. A. Saunders, P. E.

Jacksonville: McTyeire Memorial, T. J. Nixon.
 Long Branch, T. Griffith.
 Riverside, T. Bishop.
 St. Matthew's, R. L. Honiker.
 Fernandina, T. R. Bridges.
 King's Ferry Circuit, A. M. Mann.
 Callahan Circuit, T. A. Taylor.
 Mandarin Mission, W. F. Alexander.
 St. Augustine Mission, to be supplied.
 Green Cove and Middleburg, T. G. Blue.
 Palatka, W. E. H. Mabry.
 Interlachen, M. T. Bell.
 Volusia Circuit, R. J. Wells.
 Fruitland Circuit, to be supplied by J. C. Pace.
 New Smyrna Mission, to be supplied by J. H. McDowell.
 Sanford, I. S. Patterson.
 Oviedo, James L. Pattillo.
 Titusville and Cocoa, A. W. J. Best.
 Indian River and West Palm Beach Mission, M. H. Outland.
 Biscayne Bay Mission, C. T. Blackburn.
 De Land Mission, E. A. Harrison.
 Superintendent State Institute for the Deaf and Blind, Frederick Pasco.

ORLANDO DISTRICT.

T. W. Tomkies, P. E.

Orlando and Fairview, W. J. Carpenter.
 Apopka, H. B. Frazee.
 Umatilla, S. Hardin.
 Kissimmee Circuit, W. C. Jordan.
 Maitland Mission, E. J. Hardee.
 Lakeland and Plant City, W. H. Steinmeyer.
 Bartow, H. E. Partridge.
 Homeland and Fort Meade Circuit, G. W. Mitchell; one to be supplied by W. J. J. Whidden.
 Bowling Green Circuit, J. T. Coleman.
 Arcadia, J. H. D. McRae.
 De Soto Circuit, R. L. Sprinkle.
 Myers, D. A. Cole.
 Caloosahatchie, G. W. Gatewood.
 Fort Bassenger, T. M. White.
 Kathleen and Greenwood, to be supplied by R. T. Higgs.

TAMPA DISTRICT.

C. A. Fulwood, P. E.

Tampa, W. H. Poage.
 St. Petersburg and Port Tampa, J. Dodwell.
 Seffner Circuit and Mission, C. W. White; one to be supplied.
 Hillsborough, H. M. Penny.
 Alafia Circuit, W. C. Norton.
 Manatee and Braidentown, G. W. Sellers.
 Palmetto Mission, J. P. Durrance; one to be supplied.
 Sarasota, W. B. Tresca.
 Clear Water and Belleair, J. A. Howland.
 Largo Circuit, S. G. Meadows.
 Blanton and Pasco Mission, T. H. Sistrunk; one to be supplied by J. M. Diefenwierth.
 Dade City, T. J. Phillips.
 Key West: First Charge, J. P. De Pass.
 Spark's Chapel, W. S. Richardson.
 Memorial Chapel, H. W. Baker.
 Cuban Mission, M. De Lofeu.
 Tampa and Cuban Mission, I. E. Barredo.
 Key Largo, J. H. Owen.
 Havana Mission, I. E. Barredo.
 Chuckaluskee Mission, J. N. Weatherford.

Transferred.—J. M. Pike, to the South Carolina Conference; F. M. C. Eads, to the South Georgia Conference; W. E. H. Mabry, to the North Alabama Conference.

MISSISSIPPI CONFERENCE.

HELD AT JACKSON, MISS., DECEMBER 30, 1897—JANUARY 3, 1898.

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

QUESTION 1. Who are admitted on trial?

ANSWER. John Jay Golden, Henry Jackson Moore, Gus Shaw Harmon, Henry A. Gatlin, Lucius E. Alford. 5.

Ques. 2. Who remain on trial? George P. McKeown, John A. Moore, Walter Anderson Terry. 3.

Ques. 3. Who are discontinued? None.

Ques. 4. Who are admitted into full connection? Robert Lee Phillips, Thomas B. Cottrell, Robert A. Sibley, Jr., John Henry Foreman. 4.

Ques. 5. Who are readmitted? None.

Ques. 6. Who are received by transfer from other Conferences? None.

Ques. 7. Who are the deacons of one year? Daniel Scarborough, Fletcher B. Ormond, Herman B. Trevilion, Thomas Jones Norsworthy, John W. Ellis, Robert E. Rutledge, Waldo W. Moore, William M. Williams. 8.

Ques. 8. What traveling preachers are elected deacons? Robert Lee Phillips, Thomas B. Cottrell, Robert A. Sibley, Jr. 3.

Ques. 9. What traveling preachers are ordained deacons? Robert Lee Phillips, Thomas B. Cottrell, Robert A. Sibley, Jr. 3.

Ques. 10. What local preachers are elected deacons? John Jay Golden, Henry Jackson Moore, Walter Anderson Terry. 3.

Ques. 11. What local preachers are ordained deacons? John Jay Golden, Henry Jackson Moore, Walter Anderson Terry. 3.

Ques. 12. What traveling preachers are elected elders? Charles F. Emery, Paul D. Hardin, Marvin McKendree Black, Elbert T. Breland, A. Harvey Shannon, Henry G. Hawkins, James G. Cammack. 7.

Ques. 13. What traveling preachers are ordained elders? Charles F. Emery, Paul D. Hardin, Marvin McKendree Black, Elbert T. Breland, A. Harvey Shannon, Henry G. Hawkins, James G. Cammack, James T. Leggett. 8.

Ques. 14. What local preachers are elected elders? Robert W. Burton. 1.

Ques. 15. What local preachers are ordained elders? Robert W. Burton. 1.

Ques. 16. Who are located this year? T. H. King, M. J. Miller, Elbert T. Breland. 3.

Ques. 17. Who are supernumerary? J. W. Sandell, H. C. Brown, J. M. Cowan. 3.

Ques. 18. Who are superannuated? A.

B. Nicholson, H. J. Harris, E. A. Flowers, G. Bancroft, J. W. Harmon, J. A. Vance, H. R. Caldwell, J. H. Evans, R. A. Sibley, N. B. Young, W. B. Hines, J. M. Pugh, P. Howard, D. G. W. Ellis, L. P. Meador. 15.

Ques. 19. What preachers have died during the past year? R. S. Woodward, J. V. Penn. 2.

ROBERT SUTHERLAND WOODWARD was born in Marengo county, Ala., December 19, 1833, and died in Meridian, Miss., April 10, 1897. He was admitted on trial into the Alabama Conference at Talladega in December, 1854, and received his first appointment on his twenty-first birthday. He itinerated twenty-one years in the Alabama Conference and twenty-one years in the Mississippi Conference. Among his charges in Alabama were Montevallo, Prattville, and Summerfield; those in Mississippi were Brandon, Canton, Vicksburg, Yazoo City, and Meridian. Our brother H. W. Featherstun, who served two pastorates which brother Woodward had before served, pays this tribute to him: "I never knew a man more generally popular, more largely beloved and respected." He was one of the best of pastors. Tenderly sympathetic, he knew how to get to the hearts of the people and help them in trouble, and win them back, if wandering; and then he was painstaking and laborious. He was a good preacher. Clear, forcible, peculiarly persuasive in his manner, with a strong, flexible voice, singularly free from mannerisms, simple but elegant in diction, he was a successful preacher of Christ's gospel. At his funeral services the Episcopal rector and the Jewish rabbi assisted the Presbyterian, Baptist, and Methodist ministers in doing honor to his memory. The Jewish rabbi wrote a discriminating tribute to his memory, which was published in one of the Meridian dailies. In this tribute he fully proves that a Jewish rabbi and a Methodist minister may work together in the uplifting of humanity. A memorial service was held in Yazoo City, at which Mrs. L. S. Jones and Mr. R. L. Bennett read tributes to his memory. Mr. Bennett spoke in these words of the church which brother Woodward had built during his pastorate at Yazoo City: "We can point with pride to this evidence of his useful life and say as did the admiring Jews of the Roman centurion, 'He loveth

our nation, and hath builded us a synagogue." Dr. Rush, in his obituary of brother Woodward, published in the *Alabama Advocate*, showed the esteem in which he was held in his first Conference, and that his twenty-one years' work among them had borne abundant fruit. He was instrumental in the conversion of the talented Robert T. Nabors, and also in that of John D. Simpson, late President of Tuscaloosa Female College. In the pastorate brother Woodward "wore well," and his fourth year was his best. While presiding elder of the Brookhaven District his health failed completely. Sister Woodward thus tells of it: "The tired look on his face as he came in from long, wearisome trips on the district is engraven on my heart and memory as with the point of a diamond." Brother Woodward was especially successful in his ministry to the slaves. He was ordained deacon by Bishop Pierce, December 14, 1856, and elder by Bishop Paine, November 27, 1858. On August 8, 1861, he was married to Miss Sallie A. Mardis. In her he always found a cultured and consecrated helpmeet. She said that the itinerant system had a fascination for her, and surely those who partook of her hospitality in her parsonage home can testify that she and her husband knew how to make a home wherever the "bishop and his cabinet" deemed it best to send them. Three daughters and two sons mourn his loss. Over his grave in reverent affection his family have placed a marble shaft which best tells the history of his life, in those potent words of St. Paul's, "I have fought a good fight." During the few months that he was a superannuate he lived so closely to Jesus that persons were impressed with his sanctity. He regarded it as a call from Jesus to "come apart in a desert place and rest awhile." The tenderest feelings were entertained for him in his superannuated relation, and could all Methodist ministers have the same treatment as superannuates, the superannuated relation might indeed be regarded as but the foretaste of heavenly joys. In the last days of his life, feeling that the end was near, he said to his wife, "Darling, I must leave you"; and as the glory of heaven dawned upon him he shouted, "Glory! glory!" Brothers Galloway and Harmon prayed with him, and he said, "I am trusting in the blood of Jesus." When in great pain he exclaimed, "I am going home!" Thus has Robert Sutherland Woodward, in life and in death, brought honor and glory to Jesus Christ.

JULES VICTOR PENN was born November 10, 1861, in Covington, La. His father was George Henry Penn, Esq., a prominent lawyer in that section of the state; and his mother was Clotilde Dolbear, the daughter of a distinguished educator of New Orleans. The first great sorrow in

the life of the child came when, at about four years of age he lost his mother, a lovely and gifted woman, to whom he was very devoted, and whose memory he cherished with a tenderness that was pathetic. The death of his father, a few years later, left the orphaned and dependent boy to the care of his maternal grandfather, by whom he seems, after a little while, to have been given to the Rev. James English, a local Methodist preacher living in Pike county, Miss. Here he remained until he was about eighteen years of age. If any who knew him should call to mind that there were irregularities in his life or imperfections in his character, let the disadvantages of homeless orphanage plead for kindly judgment. He never knew the softening touch of a loving mother's hand. Too soon there was taken from him the guiding and strengthening influence of a worthy father. Of him it may be said that he never knew the happiness of a home until he found it in the hearts and homes of his people. The virtues of his character, the merits of his work, were achieved not by means of, but in spite of, the surroundings of his early life. In August, 1879, while attending a meeting at Adams Camp Ground, in Lincoln county, Miss., he was converted through the instrumentality of the Rev. Henry P. Lewis, of the Mississippi Conference. It is probable that he returned to New Orleans soon after his conversion, for in the following April he entered Centenary College as a beneficiary of the Carondelet Street Church, New Orleans. The Rev. Felix R. Hill, D.D., was at that time the pastor of Carondelet, and through his kindly interest the financial aid was given which enabled the young man to enter college, preparatory to the work of the ministry to which he now looked forward. One year later (April 30, 1881) he was licensed to preach by the Quarterly Conference of Jackson (La.) Station. Returning to New Orleans at the close of the session, he was for a few months the assistant secretary of the Young Men's Christian Association of that city, but in September he returned to Centenary, where he spent the following session. On the 27th of June, 1882, he took charge of the Little River Circuit, Alexandria District, Louisiana Conference, to which he had been appointed as a supply. Here he remained until the session of the Louisiana Conference at Mansfield, where, on the 12th of January, 1883, he was admitted on trial into the traveling connection and appointed to Vidalia and Troy. After one year he was received by transfer into the Mississippi Conference during the session of that body held in Natchez, December, 1883, and was appointed to Dennisville Circuit. The years 1885-86 were spent in Natchez as pastor of Wesley Chapel, and the two years next following in Jackson, La., where, with great acceptability, he labored among the

cultured people who had known him only a few years before as a student in the college. The year 1890 was spent in teaching in Scott county, Miss., and in 1891 we find him serving the Homewood Circuit, in that county. In 1892-93 he was pastor of our church in Waynesboro, in 1894 in Pearlinton, in 1895 in Vossburg, and in 1896 in Rolling Fork and Carey. His return to this work in 1897 was not a surprise to those who knew of the success which had attended his labors there during the preceding year. In the spring of 1897 he was forced by the high water to leave his circuit for awhile, but returned about the 1st of June, and threw himself with his accustomed zeal into his work. While thus engaged, preaching with unusual fervor and doing the full work of the ministry, he was stricken with typhomalarial fever. He was seriously ill from the beginning, and neither by himself nor his friends was there entertained much hope of his recovery. He did not wish to die; he desired to live, and spoke regretfully of leaving his work; but he was ready to go and resigned to the Master's will, and when the summons came he was not afraid. Just after midnight, on the morning of August 5, he passed away, and at five o'clock the next afternoon was buried at Rolling Fork, Miss. The noble people among whom his life work closed attended him with affectionate care during his long illness, and in their sorrow at his death showed how closely he had bound them to him. Brother Penn was twice married. In December, 1889, he was married to Miss Ione Kiblinger, of Jackson, La., who lived but little more than a year after their marriage; and in November, 1892, he was married to Miss Caro Miner, of Boligee, Ala., who, with her little daughter, mourns his death. The character of our brother was marked by many excellences. As a preacher, he was unusually gifted. He was graceful in manner, persuasive in voice, and spoke with great fluency. He was always forcible and often eloquent. As a pastor, he was faithful and industrious; as an administrator, he was wise and skillful, enlisting with rare success the coöperation of the members of his charge. His intense earnestness in the accomplishment of the work in hand seemed contagious, and was an important element in his success as a worker. As a builder of churches and parsonages, he was, perhaps, unequaled by any man in our ranks, and his conspicuous success in this department of church work was such, possibly, as to overshadow his work along other lines; and yet in no part of an itinerant preacher's work was he other than efficient. The financial interests of his charge were never neglected. His church register always showed substantial increase in membership, and he was dili-

gent in his efforts to promote the spiritual life of his people. Comparisons are invidious, but in justice it may be said of him with regard to every work he ever served that his successor had need to bestir himself to keep the pace that had been set for him, and his predecessor was efficient indeed if his labors were not surpassed. The last months of his ministry were characterized by abounding zeal, and his last sermons were said by those who heard them to have been marked by more than usual spiritual fervor and power. Our brother no longer lives and labors among his fellow-men, but his memory will be cherished in many hearts, and the itinerant preacher in the years to come will find the evidences of his faithful work in the comfortable home in which he lives and the attractive church in which he preaches.

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

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

Enterprise District.

	White Mem's.	Colored Mem's.	Loc'l Pr's.
Enterprise.....	917	.....	1
Shubuta.....	253	.....	.....
Mathersville.....	411	.....	3
Energy Mission.....	195	.....	1
Pachuta.....	425	.....	2
Waynesboro and State Line.....	387	.....	.....
Wayne Mission.....	57	.....	1
Leaksville.....	161	.....	.....
Vossburg.....	179	.....	.....
Heidelberg.....	281	.....	.....
Ellisville.....	387	.....	2
Eastabuchie.....	163	.....	1
Williamsburg.....	365	.....	.....
Fuller.....	294	.....	.....
Mt. Carmel.....	261	.....	2
Winchester.....	307	.....	.....
	4,393	.....	13

Seashore District.

Moss Point.....	227	.....	1
Americus.....	383	.....	1
Escatawpa.....	345	.....	1
Biloxi.....	130	.....	2
Ocean Springs and Seranton.....	124	.....	1
Gulf Port Mission.....	21	.....	.....
Whittington.....	670	.....	1
Bay St. Louis.....	228	.....	1
Pearlington.....	222	.....	.....
Lumberton.....	338	.....	1
Columbia.....	503	.....	1
Hattiesburg.....	345	.....	1
Galloway.....	154	.....	.....
	3,690	.....	11

Vicksburg District.

Vicksburg: Crawford Street.....	467	.....	.....
South Vicksburg.....	127	.....	.....
Rolling Fork.....	168	.....	.....
Anguilla.....	154	.....	.....
Mayersville.....	90	.....	1
Warren.....	507	.....	1

Vicksburg District (Continued).

	White Mem's.	Colored Mem's.	Loc'l Pr's.
Satartia.....	250	.....	1
South Warren.....	166	.....	..
Edwards.....	279	.....	..
Bolton.....	225	.....	..
Utica.....	338	.....	..
Rocky Springs.....	322	.....	2
Hermanville.....	414	.....	1
Harrison.....	361	.....	1
Port Gibson.....	172	.....	..
	4,029	1	6

Natchez District.

Natchez: Jefferson Street.....	368	.....	.....
Wesley Chapel.....	212	.....	.....
Washington.....	93	.....	.....
Fayette.....	333	.....	.....
Barlow.....	427	.....	.....
Roxie.....	315	.....	.....
Amite.....	252	.....	1
Gloster.....	99	.....	1
Centerville.....	275	.....	1
Wilkinson.....	472	.....	3
Woodville.....	168	.....	.....
Percy Creek.....	106	.....	.....
Meadville.....	415	.....	2
	3,535	.....	8

Jackson District.

Jackson: First Church.....	577	.....	6
Capital Street.....	268	.....	.....
Fannin.....	214	.....	.....
Terry.....	311	.....	4
Madison.....	242	.....	.....
Canton.....	203	.....	.....
Sharon.....	171	.....	2
Camden.....	339	.....	2
Benton.....	377	.....	.....
Tranquil.....	374	.....	.....
Silver Creek.....	86	.....	.....
Lake City.....	86	.....	1
Yazoo City.....	401	.....	.....
Yazoo Circuit.....	296	.....	.....
Flora.....	265	.....	.....
	4,210	.....	15

Brookhaven District.

Brookhaven.....	280	.....	2
Caseyville.....	491	.....	1
Adams.....	559	.....	4
Magnolia.....	211	.....	.....
China Grove.....	446	.....	1
Whitestown.....	289	.....	3
McComb City.....	377	.....	2
Summit and Topisaw.....	274	.....	5
Bogue Chitto.....	254	.....	.....
Pleasant Grove.....	454	.....	1
Wesson.....	466	.....	1
North Wesson.....	193	.....	.....
Providence.....	322	.....	1
Hazlehurst.....	218	.....	.....
Martinsville.....	218	.....	1
Gallman.....	384	.....	1
Crystal Springs.....	332	.....	1
	5,768	.....	24

Meridian District.

Meridian: Central.....	527	.....	1
South Side.....	165	.....	.....
East End.....	272	.....	.....
West End.....	242	.....	1
Chunkey.....	279	.....	2
Rose Hill.....	453	.....	2
De Kalb.....	347	.....	1
Binnsville.....	281	.....	.....
Porterville.....	194	.....	.....
Lauderdale.....	176	.....	.....
Vinville.....	207	.....	1
North Kemper.....	286	.....	1
Neshoba Mission.....	506	.....	1

Meridian District (Continued).

	White Mem's.	Colored Mem's.	Loc'l Pr's.
Linwood* and Indian Mission.....	315	.....	1
Daleville.....	296	.....	.....
Toomsba.....	215	.....	1
	4,761	1	12

* Linwood has 43 Indian members.

Brandon District.

Brandon.....	170	.....	1
Carthage.....	467	.....	1
Walnut Grove.....	445	.....	4
Hillsboro.....	398	.....	1
Decatur.....	390	.....	..
Newton and Hickory.....	429	.....	3
Lake.....	389	.....	2
Morton.....	338	.....	2
Clarksburg.....	330	.....	3
Steen's Creek.....	614	.....	1
Shiloh.....	457	.....	4
Westville.....	114	.....	.....
Raleigh.....	380	.....	.....
Trenton.....	496	.....	4
Forest.....	340	.....	1
Montrose.....	558	.....	2
	6,315	.....	29

Recapitulation.

Enterprise District.....	4,393	.....	13
Seashore District.....	3,690	.....	11
Vicksburg District.....	4,029	1	6
Natchez District.....	3,535	.....	8
Jackson District.....	4,210	.....	15
Brookhaven District.....	5,768	.....	24
Meridian District.....	4,761	1	12
Brandon District.....	6,315	.....	29
Total this year.....	36,701	2	118
Total last year.....	37,502	3	134
Decrease.....	801	1	16

Ques. 22. How many infants have been baptized during the year? 954.

Ques. 23. How many adults have been baptized during the year? 343.

Ques. 24. What is the number of Epworth Leagues? 36.

Ques. 25. What is the number of Epworth League members? 1,647.

Ques. 26. What is the number of Sunday schools? 343.

Ques. 27. What is the number of Sunday-school teachers? 2,051.

Ques. 28. What is the number of Sunday-school scholars? 16,725.

Ques. 29. What amount is necessary for the superannuated preachers and the widows and orphans of preachers? \$6,000.

Ques. 30. What has been collected on the foregoing account? and how has it been applied? \$5,222.68. Applied to claimants.

Ques. 31. What has been contributed for Missions? Foreign Missions, \$5,936.35; Domestic Missions, \$2,353.13. Total, \$8,289.48.

Ques. 32. What has been contributed for Church Extension? \$1,677.35.

Ques. 33. What has been done for the American Bible Society? \$772.80.

Ques. 34. What has been contributed for the support of presiding elders and preachers in charge? Presiding elders, \$9,025.72; preachers in charge, \$59,924.83.

Ques. 35. What has been contributed for the support of bishops? \$1,261.48.

Ques. 36. What is the number of societies, and the number and estimated value of church edifices? Societies, 428; church edifices, 368; value, \$405,620.

Ques. 37. What is the number of pastoral charges, and the number and value of parsonages owned by them? Charges, 123; parsonages, 107; value, \$89,895.

Ques. 38. What is the number and value of district parsonages? Number, 4; value, \$7,650.

Ques. 39. What are the educational statistics? Whitworth Female College: Officers and teachers, 13; students, 160; value of property, \$70,000. Edward McGehee Female College: Officers and teachers, 5; students, 72; value of property, \$10,000. East Mississippi Female College: Officers and teachers, 25; students, 256; value of property, \$25,000. Port Gibson Female College: Officers and teachers, 10; students, 103; value of property, \$15,000. Millsaps College (male): Officers and teachers, 12; students, 206; value of property, \$70,000; endowment, \$107,000.

Ques. 40. Where shall the next session of the Conference be held? Hattiesburg.

Ques. 41. Where are the preachers stationed this year?

VICKSBURG DISTRICT.

E. H. Mounger, P. E.

Vicksburg: Crawford Street, A. F. Watkins.

South Vicksburg, W. W. Cammack.

Rolling Fork, H. W. Van Hook.

Anguilla, E. E. Langford.

Mayersville, W. T. Griffin.

Warren, W. G. Backus.

Satartia, C. C. Evans.

South Warren, W. W. Hurst.

Edwards, J. G. Galloway.

Bolton, L. Carley.

Utica, G. A. Guice.

Rock Springs, J. N. Ware.

Hermanville, A. D. Miller.

Flora, J. G. Cammack.

Port Gibson, H. M. Ellis.

Financial Agent Indian Mission, A. D. Miller.

JACKSON DISTRICT.

R. D. Norsworthy, P. E.

Jackson: First Church, H. M. Du Bose; H. C. Brown, J. M. Cowan, Sup.

Capitol Street, R. J. Jones.

Fannin, B. W. Lewis.

Brandon, B. F. Lewis.

Steen's Creek, R. Bradley.

Madison, J. D. Ellis.

Canton, T. L. Mellen.

Sharon, F. M. Williams.

Camden, T. J. Norsworthy.

Tranquil, W. A. Terry.

Lake City and Lodi, R. E. Rutledge.

Yazoo City, L. S. Jones.

Yazoo Circuit, H. J. Moore.

Benton, H. L. Norton.

Terry, J. W. Brown.

Millsaps College, J. A. Moore, Professor;

A. H. Shannon, Student.

Editor New Orleans Christian Advocate,
W. C. Black.

Conference Colporteur, R. W. Bailey.

Conference Secretary of Missions, T. L. Mellen.

FOREST DISTRICT.

W. W. Simmons, P. E.

Forest, W. M. Sullivan.

Morton, W. L. Linfield.

Shiloh, P. D. Hardin.

Clarksburg, G. W. Ferrer.

Trenton, P. H. Howse.

Raleigh, J. H. Foreman.

Montrose, Ira B. Robertson.

Lake, W. M. Stevens.

Newton and Hickory, D. P. Bradford.

Decatur, M. L. White.

Hillsboro, M. A. Thurman.

Walnut Grove, L. J. Jones.

Carthage, H. P. Lewis.

Chunkey, R. A. Sibley, Jr.

Rose Hill, D. C. Langford.

Vossburg, R. B. Downer.

Heidelberg, J. E. Riddle.

Neshoba and Mission, D. Scarborough;

one to be supplied by J. C. Long.

Indian Mission, J. N. Tucker.

MERIDIAN DISTRICT.

C. G. Andrews, P. E.

Meridian: Central, H. W. Featherstun.

South Side and Poplar Springs, H. G. Hawkins.

East End, G. H. Galloway.

West End, F. M. Keen.

De Kalb, G. H. Thompson.

Binnsville, C. M. Crossley.

Porterville, to be supplied by E. J. Coker.

Lauderdale, G. S. Harmon.

Vinnville, R. H. Barr.

North Kemper, to be supplied by L. F. A. Gord.

Daleville, H. Mellard.

Enterprise and Stonewall, T. J. Leggett.

Pachuta, W. G. Ferguson.

Shubuta, J. T. Nicholson.

Mathersville, C. D. Cecil.

Energy, J. C. Ellis.

Waynesboro and State Line, A. T. Bell.

Wayne Mission, to be supplied by O. C. Farmer.

Winchester, R. L. Phillips.

Student at Millsaps College, J. J. Golden.

SEASHORE DISTRICT.

C. A. Powell, P. E.

Moss Point, I. W. Cooper.

Americus, to be supplied by J. L. Jordan.

Escatawpa, G. W. Huff.
 Biloxi, C. F. Emery.
 Ocean Springs and Scranton, T. W. Brown.
 Gulfport Mission, J. H. Holland.
 Whittington, G. R. Ellis.
 Bay St. Louis and Long Beach, J. P. Drake.
 Pearlington and Logtown, W. G. Forsythe.
 Lumberton and Poplarville, W. H. Huntley.
 Purvis, George P. McKeown.
 Columbia, H. B. Trevilian.
 Hattiesburg, I. L. Peebles.
 Galloway, to be supplied by A. P. Cox.
 Ellisville and Laurel, N. B. Harmon.
 Vancleave, to be supplied.
 Williamsburg, W. J. Dawson.
 Leakesville, H. B. Vandenberg.
 Fuller, F. B. Ormond.

BROOKHAVEN DISTRICT.

J. M. Weems, P. E.

Brookhaven, B. F. Jones.
 Magnolia and Osyka, J. A. B. Jones; J. W. Sandell, Sup.
 China Grove, B. H. Rawls.
 Whitestown, J. W. Tinnin.
 McComb City, J. M. Morse.
 Summit and Topisaw, V. V. Boone.
 Bogue Chitto, J. A. Moore.
 Pleasant Grove, to be supplied by M. Ferrrell.
 Wesson, T. W. Adams.
 North Wesson, H. D. Howell.

Providence, H. A. Gatlin.
 Hazlehurst, R. Selby.
 Martinsville, L. E. Alford.
 Gallman, W. M. Williams.
 Crystal Springs, W. B. Lewis.
 Mount Carmel, J. D. Crymes.
 Westville, J. S. Parker.
 Caseyville, C. McDonald.
 Adams, W. W. Morse.
 Whitworth Female College, J. W. Chambers, President; C. W. Crisler, Professor.
 District Superintendent of American Bible Society, J. W. McLaurin.
 Manager of Mississippi Orphans' Home, M. L. Burton.

NATCHEZ DISTRICT.

W. L. C. Hunnicutt, P. E.

Natchez: Jefferson Street, T. B. Holloman.
 Wesley Chapel, J. T. Abney.
 Washington, G. M. Hull.
 Fayette, B. S. Rayner.
 Barlow, E. F. Edgar.
 Roxie, R. A. Breland.
 Amite, D. F. Guice.
 Gloster, M. M. Black.
 Centerville, M. H. Moore.
 Wilkinson, to be supplied by J. C. Long.
 Woodville, J. W. Crisler.
 Percy Creek, W. W. Moore.
 Meadville, R. S. Gale.
 Harriston, R. F. Witt.

Transferred.—H. E. Partridge, to the Florida Conference, and stationed at Bartow.

LOUISIANA CONFERENCE.

HELD AT CROWLEY, LA., JANUARY 6-10, 1898.

BISHOP HENDRIX, *President*; JOHN T. SAWYER, *Secretary*.

QUESTION 1. Who are admitted on trial?
 ANSWER. George D. Purcell, George D. Parker, James Morgan Etheridge, Martin Herbert, James M. Martin, William R. Harvell, J. H. Montgomery, Milton F. Johnston. 8.

Ques. 2. Who remain on trial? John C. Sligh, Percy R. Knickerbocker, Perry O. Lowry, H. B. Thomason, Joseph M. Alford, Eli E. Riggs, Barnette Wright, Henry W. Ledbetter, Earl Leslie Alford, Frank N. Sweeny, C. D. Atkinson, Wiley G. Roberts, A. S. J. Neille, Artemus W. Turner, W. T. Woodward, C. C. Weir. 16.

Ques. 3. Who are discontinued? Robert W. Randle, at his own request; Ed T. Denson. 2.

Ques. 4. Who are admitted into full con-

nection? Thomas Carter, William B. Van Valkenburgh, William A. Hatfield. 3.

Ques. 5. Who are readmitted? None.

Ques. 6. Who are received by transfer from other Conferences? Barnette Wright, from the East Texas Conference. 1.

Ques. 7. Who are the deacons of one year? Robert W. Vaughan, Charles C. Miller, John W. Lee, R. C. Grace, Elton Wilson, W. E. Akin, Talbert A. Luster. 7.

Ques. 8. What traveling preachers are elected deacons? William Henry Hatfield. 1.

Ques. 9. What traveling preachers are ordained deacons? William Henry Hatfield. 1.

Ques. 10. What local preachers are elect-

ed deacons? Percy R. Knickerbocker, James Henry Montgomery, William Reuben Harvell, Charles D. Atkinson. 4.

Ques. 11. What local preachers are ordained deacons? Percy R. Knickerbocker, James H. Montgomery, William R. Harvell, Milton F. Johnston. 4.

Ques. 12. What traveling preachers are elected elders? Samuel Scofield Bogan, Harry Wigginton Rickey, Samuel B. Beall. 3.

Ques. 13. What traveling preachers are ordained elders? Samuel S. Bogan, Harry W. Rickey, Samuel B. Beall. 3.

Ques. 14. What local preachers are elected elders? William B. Van Valkenburgh. 1.

Ques. 15. What local preachers are ordained elders? William B. Van Valkenburgh. 1.

Ques. 16. Who are located this year? Henry H. Ahrens, C. Marcy Lyons, at their own request. 2.

Ques. 17. Who are supernumerary? None.

Ques. 18. Who are superannuated? James L. Wright, George Jackson, J. H. Stowe, R. S. Trippett, E. B. Foust, T. B. White, C. R. Godfrey, M. C. Manly, P. A. Johnston, John A. Miller, Thomas S. Randle. 11.

Ques. 19. What preachers have died during the past year? Philip H. Dieffenwierth, Joseph B. Walker, Jesse Fulton, E. W. Yancey, Christian Keener. 5.

PHILIP H. DIEFFENWIERTH was born in Zinsvieller, Alsace, Department of the Lower Rhine, France, March 12, 1811, and died near Largo, Fla., in December, 1896. His parents were Germans, and both members of the Lutheran Church, in which Church he was baptized in infancy. When in his eighth year his parents emigrated to America, landing in New Orleans. Afterwards they removed to Baton Rouge, where he grew to manhood. Early in the year 1835 he was converted under the ministry of the Rev. C. K. Marshall, and joined the Methodist Episcopal Church. He describes his conversion as being "more like the dawn of the morning than the sudden noonday brilliancy," and says that his "call to the ministry came in the sense of obligation, 'Woe is me if I decline,' rather than 'The love of Christ constraineth me.' It was more duty than privilege, but in the process of time the sense of duty was lightened and enlivened by the constraint of love." In 1836 he was licensed to preach by the Baton Rouge Quarterly Conference, and recommended as a candidate for admission into the Mississippi Conference, which met that year in Vicksburg. He was admitted, and in 1837 was sent as junior preacher to Amite Circuit, the Rev. James Watson preacher in charge, and the Rev. M. B. Drake presiding elder.

This was a four-weeks' circuit, with nineteen appointments. Here he met the same trial which many young preachers experience. His first efforts to preach were, in the judgments of man, complete failures. Hearing of these judgments, there came doubts as to the validity of his call to preach the gospel. He attributes his victory over the insinuations of the adversary to the timely help and godly counsels of his senior, brother Watson; and ever after held the opinion that every young preacher should serve his first years under an experienced senior. The results of his first year's work are recorded in these words: "Labors abundant, success small, compensation smaller." In 1838 he was sent to Vidalia Circuit, La. This work then had twelve appointments, and reached from Dead Man's Bend on the Mississippi River to Lake St. Joseph. At the close of this year he was ordained deacon. In 1839 he was local, but was readmitted at the next Conference, and in 1840 was sent to Port Gibson and Grand Gulf, and did a successful year's work. In 1841 he was appointed to St. Mary's Street Chapel, Lafayette, which was at that time a suburb of New Orleans. This chapel was afterwards merged into Felicity Street Church. During this year Elijah Steele was pastor of Poydras Church (now Carondelet), and W. H. Watkins was pastor of Moreau Street Church. He passed safely through an epidemic of yellow fever, which carried off the lamented Steele. While serving this charge he inaugurated class meetings among the Germans, conducted in their own language, and thus opened the way for successful missions and churches among that class of the population of New Orleans. At the close of this year he was ordained elder. In 1842 he was sent to Franklin and New Town. It amazes us of the present day to read of the wonderful circuits which our fathers traveled. Besides Franklin and New Town, this circuit embraced Patterson, Bayou Salé, Prairie au Large, Cote Gilé Prairie, and Perry's Bridge on the Vermillion River. Besides preaching to his English congregations, he read the Scriptures and preached to the French people in their own tongue, thus opening the way to missions among them. In 1843-44 he served the Plaquemine and Gros Tete Circuit. Of his work on this charge he says: "My labors these two years were more appreciated, and the Lord gave me larger success than ever before." In 1845 he was appointed to Baton Rouge. Of this appointment he makes this record: "This was the place of my boyhood; the scene of my early manhood; the place where I was received into the Church; where I had taught in the Sunday school; where I had been class leader, and where I had been licensed to preach, and the burden

was too heavy for me. I was a prophet in my own country and in my own house." In 1846 he was appointed to Lafourche Circuit. He calls it "the wonderful circuit." It extended from Donaldsonville on the Mississippi River to Berwick's Bay, and embraced Donaldsonville, Napoleonville, Thibodeauville, Houma, Bayou Black, Bayou Beouff, and Berwick's Bay, besides several large sugar plantations. During this year he was married to Miss Sarah A. Miller, of Waterproof, La. In 1847 he served the Waterproof Circuit. In 1848-49 he was local. His wife dying in 1849, he was readmitted, and in 1850 was sent to Beouff Prairie Circuit. In 1851-52 he was on the Alexandria Circuit. The first of these years his work consisted of Alexandria and two country appointments, one sixteen miles away and the other forty miles away across Vermillion River. The second of these years his work, owing to the sickness of the preacher adjoining him, was enlarged so as to embrace Point Maigre, Holloway's Prairie, Haw Creek, and Hudson's Creek. He had good success these two years. In 1853 he was returned to Waterproof Circuit, but the travel and labors necessary to serve the Alexandria work had undermined his health, and at the close of the year he was granted a supernumerary relation. This relation he sustained until 1868, when he was placed on the effective list and appointed to Floyd and Delhi, and returned to that circuit in 1869. In 1870-71 he was again appointed to Waterproof Circuit. These two years resulted in gathering together the scattered congregations and in building a church and gathering the materials and means for building a parsonage in Waterproof. In 1872-75 he held a supernumerary relation. In 1876 he was superannuated, and held that relation till his death. However, in the years 1877-79 he served Elizabeth Chapel in Tensas Parish with great acceptability. Looking back over a ministry of sixty years, he wrote these words: "I have the satisfaction that my labor has not been in vain in the Lord." As a preacher, brother Dieffenwirth was a sound and safe expositor of the divine word, possessing and using with skill a critical acumen which few excelled. Added to this there was in his preaching a richness of illustration and a copiousness of biographical and historical allusion which delighted and edified his hearers. Like all men who are conversant with several languages, his diction was as free as his vocabulary was extensive, never being at a loss for the word or phrase to express the thought in his mind. To thoughtful people he was always an interesting preacher. For several years during his supernumerary relation he had a monthly appointment, and "his day" was sure to bring out the whole community.

Hé fed the people with nourishing food, and they often showed their appreciation of his services by presenting him with substantial tokens of their esteem and honor. He was twice married: the second time to Miss Mary McGaughey, daughter of the Rev. W. G. McGaughey, of this Conference. The hospitality of his home was modeled after the New Testament type, being open, free, and generous to all comers. When tested upon unexpected and remarkable occasions, there was no flaw to mar its beauty. The last years of his life were spent near Clear Water Harbor, Fla. During these last years he had occasional correspondence with friends. In no letter did he ever fail to celebrate the goodness of God, manifested in many ways during his long pilgrimage, and to look forward with the calm trust of a confident hope to the developments of the future. His last letter revealed the picture of a worn and weary pilgrim standing in the vestibule of the house of many mansions, his back turned to all the past, his front facing the shining portals, and his countenance aglow with the joyous expectation of an abundant entrance into the everlasting kingdom of the Lord. "Precious in the sight of the Lord is the death of his saints." "Blessed are they that do his commandments, that they may have right to the tree of life, and may enter in through the gates into the city."

JOSEPH BURCH WALKER, the son of Joseph Walker and Bartella Powell, was born in the District of Columbia, January 2, 1817, and died at his home in Mississippi City, Miss., February 6, 1897. Outside of his native city, he spent his youthful years in Virginia, Alabama, and Tennessee. He was at school two years when quite young, but he says he had little recollection of what he was taught. His father removed to Winchester, Va., where he occupied most of his sixth year at a private school. In Montevallo, Ala., he was at school most of the time during his seventh, eighth, and ninth years. At this place he read many valuable books, on various subjects, thereby acquiring much important and useful information. From his tenth to his thirteenth year he was employed on mail routes, where the mails had to be transported on horseback, which took him away from his home from two to five days in the week. His father himself finally removed to his farm in Tennessee, where he was engaged in his duties as an assistant, until he entered the ministry. His father and mother were pious Methodists, and had family prayer in their consecrated home. He was taught to pray from the earliest dawn of memory, to attend public worship, to go to prayer meetings, class meetings, love feasts, and camp meet-

ings. His father's house was a home for the itinerant preachers, and one of them, the Rev. Thomas Burch, of the Baltimore Conference, baptized him. His first distinct recognition of sustaining an accountable relation to God was in his seventeenth year, while his mother was reading the sixth chapter of Revelation to a servant woman. When she came to dwell upon the last verse, he wept his first religious tears. In 1834 he joined the Methodist Episcopal Church, and in August, 1835, he was converted at Asbury Camp Ground, near his father's home. At this time he had never read his Bible with thoroughness nor with systematic care. October 4, 1836, he was licensed to preach, and recommended to the Tennessee Conference for admission. His first sermon was preached at White Bluff Camp Meeting, Montgomery county, Tenn. His first appointment was to Dickson Circuit, which embraced Montgomery, Dickson, Davidson, Williamson, and Maury counties. His second appointment was to Goose Creek Circuit, a five weeks' appointment, with thirty preaching places. He filled successively the following stations: Franklin and Spring Hill, Lebanon, Columbia, Murfreesboro, Andrew, Gallatin, Clarksville, and Huntsville. During his ninth year in the ministry he was married to Miss Rebecca J. Ridley, of Mississippi, November 26, 1844. There were born to these parents three children; one dying in 1888, only two, with the sorrowing widow, survive to lament their irreparable loss. In the fall of 1846 he was transferred to the Mississippi Conference, and was stationed at Jackson, where he labored for two years, and thereafter successively on the Madison Circuit, Canton and Jackson stations. At the close of 1851 he was transferred to the Louisiana Conference, and stationed at Carondelet Street, and in May, 1852, he preached his first sermon in this church from Genesis xxviii. 17. He remained in this station during 1852-54. In 1855 he was appointed to the New Orleans District, but was returned for the fourth time to Carondelet in 1856-57, where he remained until 1862. In the spring of this year he went out of New Orleans, when the Federal forces took it, and was employed at Port Gibson for three years by the Mississippi Conference. In 1865 he returned to the city and preached in the Unitarian church until Carondelet was surrendered into our hands again. He filled this station until 1870, when he was transferred to the Texas Conference, and stationed at St. John's from 1871 to 1874 inclusive, when domestic reasons compelled him to retransfer to the Louisiana Conference. On his return from Texas he was appointed presiding elder of the New Orleans District, and pastor of Felicity Street Charge, serving two years on

the district and four years as pastor of this church. With the exception of the twenty-two years he labored in Tennessee, Mississippi, and Texas, the remainder of his ministerial life was employed in New Orleans, failing at various times—the New Orleans District seven years, Carondelet Street fifteen years, Felicity Street five, Rayne Memorial one, Louisiana Avenue and Moreau Street each one full pastorate, Algiers one; one year he was superannuated, making in all sixty years, fifty-nine of which were devoted to active service. Thirty-seven of these years were spent in New Orleans. His ease, humor, and brilliancy made him the attraction of the social circle. His piety was deep, spiritual, and scriptural. Any ostentatious display was distasteful to his finer sense of spiritual life and genuine Christian experience. It was shown in his humility, in his communion with God, and in his comprehensive knowledge of divine things. Perhaps it was never more strikingly displayed than in his home life, where its aroma was a divine benediction. His ministerial life embodied all that could be demanded of any true gospel preacher. As a pastor, he was earnest and diligent. He was found in the homes of his members, comforting, sympathizing with, and encouraging them, and praying the blessings and the guidance of the Lord to be bestowed upon them. The poor and the sick received special attention. This house to house visitation endeared his people to him with a genuine and an unbroken attachment as long as he lived. As a preacher, he was studious, gathering materials from every source which lay within his reach and which he could use in proclaiming the great themes of the gospel. While he read very widely, and familiarized himself with all the great questions of the day, especially on those of theology, yet he was discriminating in the use of the material thus acquired. He was a gospel preacher in a preëminent sense. He exhibited a deep insight into the Scriptures; he was clear in his exposition of their truths, and was eminently practical. Ability and beauty were blended together in his sermons. His descriptive power, heightened by a cultivated and brilliant imagination, to which might be added a musical voice, gave to his discourses a dramatic force rarely attained. In many of his efforts, in his palmy days, there was something inimitable. On the platform he was equal to any emergency. Such was his popularity that there was a great demand for his services at Sunday-school gatherings, Bible anniversaries, missionary mass meetings, and college commencements. His force of character is expressed thus: "Some men, as ministers, live long, but are carried a good part of the way; some men carry themselves;

but he carried others as well as himself." He was an author of no mean ability. He wrote much for our Church papers, and while his articles were thoughtful and well prepared, there was a felicity and beauty of expression which enchained the attention of all who read them to their conclusion. He was the author of "The New Creature," a pamphlet on the regenerate state, and possessing considerable merit in the estimation of the thoughtful. He prepared a volume of sermons, by request, but from some cause they were never published. He was a successful revivalist. In the earlier years of his ministry his journal notes many gracious outpourings of God's Holy Spirit. In winning souls to Christ he was wise. Unless souls are saved, the ministry is vain. He was the recipient of many honors. The degree of A.M. was conferred upon him by Centenary College, and the degree of D.D. by La Grange College in North Alabama, over which Bishop Paine presided for many years. The brethren of his own Conference elected him delegate to the General Conference on several occasions. But the end which lingered must come. In 1891 he was attacked with *la grippe*, from which he never fully recovered. Each successive year he had to encounter renewed visitations of this unwelcome disease. These attacks undermined his constitution so that his general health gave way; his heart grew weaker, and his disease assumed something like dropsy of the heart, which no medical skill could relieve. "He always talked confidently as to a clearness of a justified state with his God. When he wrote to any of his friends he would tell them that his prayer was that God's will might be his." On the morning of his death he requested his wife to read the forty-sixth Psalm to him. Not long after this he sang part of "Come, thou fount of every blessing," and a few minutes later a part of "My God, the spring of all my joys." In answer to an inquiry of his wife, he said, "The more I sing those old hymns, the sweeter they are." He died suddenly and calmly. "He was spared the pain of saying good-by." Thus closed a long, a beautiful, and a useful life of an itinerant preacher and one who knew the Lord only to love and serve him. In labors he was abundant; he endured hardness as a good soldier of the cross; as a servant he was perfectly obedient to the will of his Lord and Master.

Like some broad river widening toward the sea,
Calmly and grandly life joined eternity.

JESSE FULTON, son of Jesse Fulton and Mary E. Verner, was born March 24, 1831, in Baton Rouge, La. He was converted in childhood, and joined the Church in Bayou Sara, La., when twelve years of age, under the ministry of the Rev. John

Eddings, of the Mississippi Conference. He married Miss Mary A. Phipps, February 18, 1858; and was married the second time to Mrs. Lucy A. Brown, December 4, 1865. He was admitted on trial into the Louisiana Conference in December, 1855, and into full connection in February, 1858; was ordained deacon in Mansfield, La., by Bishop Pierce, in February, 1858, and elder by Bishop Andrew in Franklin, La., in December, 1859; was junior preacher on Lafourche and Bayou Black in 1856-57; 1858-59, Plaquemine and Gross Tete; in 1860, was junior preacher on the South Bossier Circuit; 1861-62, Lake Besteneau Circuit; 1863-64, De Soto Circuit; 1865, Pleasant Hill Circuit; 1866-67, Camp-te Mission; 1868-70, Springville Circuit; 1871, Black Lake Circuit; 1872-73, Arcadia Circuit; 1874, Springville Circuit; 1875, supernumerary; 1876, Springville Circuit. For several years after this he occupied a superannuated relation, but was made effective in 1883, and in 1884 was sent to Logansport Mission. Again he was superannuated, in which relation he was continued until called from the toils of earth to the rest of heaven. He was a pure and an upright man, devoted to the Church and the Lord who brought him into the glorious liberty of the children of God. He was a clear and forcible preacher of the truth of the gospel which he accepted. He died in Texas, where his remains now sleep. We are not informed concerning the circumstances attending his last hours, but from his past life the assurance is forced upon us that he met the grim monster death as a triumphant conqueror.

E. W. YANCEY was born August 20, 1818, in Cumberland county, Va., and died in Catchoula Parish, La., February 13, 1897. He went to Oxford, N. C., when about fifteen years old, and from there to La Grange, Tenn., a few months later. There he worked as a printer, with an older brother, who was publishing a paper, *The Western Whig and La Grange Herald*. At eighteen he was converted and united with the Methodist Church at La Grange, in a meeting conducted by J. C. Parker, the pastor at La Grange, and W. D. F. Sawrie, the pastor at Memphis. He was licensed to preach by a Quarterly Conference held during a camp meeting five miles from La Grange. He wrote: "My license is dated August 25, 1838, signed in behalf of La Grange Station, by D. C. McLeod, presiding elder, of the Memphis District." He further wrote: "I was twenty years and four days old." He was admitted on trial by the Tennessee Conference at Huntsville, Ala., near the close of the year 1838, and appointed junior preacher with E. I. Williams, on the Paducah Circuit, Paris District. At the Conference held at Nashville, in Oc-

tober, 1839, he was transferred to the Arkansas Conference, and at the session of that Conference he was appointed to Little River Circuit in Louisiana. This was a circuit of eighteen appointments, and requiring a travel of twenty-five miles to make a round. Hard work, exposure, and the malaria of the swamps brought on fever, which was so severe and so protracted as to break down his health, and at the close of the year he was discontinued. He was admitted into the Louisiana Conference in 1850, having served for some time as supply while in the local ranks. He served the Boeuff Prairie Circuit in 1851, the Harrisburg Circuit in 1852, and located at the close of the year. He supplied the Centerville Circuit in 1859, the Dugdemonia Circuit in 1861, and was readmitted at Alexandria, December, 1861, and served the following charges: Columbia, 1862-63; Centerville, 1864-65; Columbia, 1866; Columbia and Harrisonburg, 1867; Harrisonburg, 1868-69; Centerville, 1870; Trinity, 1871, and was made a superannuate at the close of that year. Made effective in 1884, he was appointed to the Centerville and Jena Circuit; but his failing strength was not sufficient to stand the strain of pastoral work, and he was again placed on the superannuated list in 1885, and held that relation till his death. He was ordained deacon by Bishop Paine at Mansfield, December 19, 1858, and elder at the same place in December, 1865. He was twice married: first to Miss E. A. Jeffries, of Rapides Parish, in July, 1841. She died in September, 1866. His second wife was a Mrs. Aber, *née* Davis, a niece of Bishop Morris—a worthy and loving helpmate, and who survives him. As a preacher, he was lucid in statement, convincing in argument, and impressive in appeal to the conscience, and won many from their evil ways to a "saving knowledge of the truth as it is in Jesus." The geographical circle of his labors was small, but within that circle he had a large number of friends who loved him devotedly. He was a tender, gentle, and true disciple of his Lord. "He was a good man, full of the Holy Ghost and faith." He feared nothing but sin; he shrank from no responsibility. He stood "in his lot to the end of his days." He died away from his earthly home, but in sight of the glories of the home beyond. His end was peace.

CHRISTIAN KEENER lived his earthly life between December 23, 1847, and December 16, 1897. He served these works in the Louisiana Conference: Evergreen and Big Cane, Alexandria and Pineville, Baton Rouge, Alexandria District, Louisiana Avenue, New Orleans District, Opelousas District, Minden and Mansfield. He built churches at Big Cane, Pineville, Alexandria, Rayne, Sulphur Mine, Grand

Cheniere, and Carrollton. One has said that "duty is the broadest word in our language, and the grandest thing to do is to stand bravely by duty." If there ever was a life which exhibited a singular and persistent exemplification of devotion to duty in its minutest details, it was the life of our brother Christian Keener. The moral and intellectual training of the home and school had been so well and thoroughly done that when life with its wonderful possibilities and grave responsibilities opened to his young and vigorous manhood, he felt himself equipped for its work. There is inspiration in the thought of being ready for work when it comes. Readiness for the work which presents itself is not only the first half of the battle, but it inspires a confidence which gives a hopeful assurance of victory in the last half of the battle. The athlete rejoices with strong confidence in the muscular vigor, the quick eye, the steady hand, and the quiet nerve which long and careful training has given him, and he feels himself ready for any task in his line of things, no matter how intricate nor how difficult. So when a young man, whose morals have been modeled after the New Testament pattern, and whose intellectual faculties have been developed and strengthened and sharpened by judicious courses of study, comes to the opening vista of real life, he rejoices in the fact that there is much to do, and that he is prepared to do and is willing to do the part assigned him in the arrangements of Providence. "He rejoiceth as a strong man to run a race." This was the condition of mind and heart in which our brother Keener came to the work of life to which our Lord had called him. Why should not a man's development in mental and moral power give him confidence in his ability to do the work to which he is called? And yet this confidence is often misunderstood when exhibited by young men starting out in life. This was evidently so in brother Keener's case. The confidence he had in his ability to do the work assigned him was regarded by some persons as an exhibition of that bad spirit which rejoices in a fancied superiority over other people. Those who knew him best know that he never gave place in his heart where such a spirit might be entertained. His self-confidence was conspicuous to everybody, but to his intimate friends his humility was equally as conspicuous, and in the conjunction of these two he was fortified against the angry dash of many evil things which wear away the lives of other people. Having come to his life work in the frame of mind above indicated, he was immediately put to the proof. In a very few years he had gone the full round of a Methodist preacher's work. He labored on circuits, in stations, and on districts,

and everywhere he exhibited faith in himself and in the Church, as well as an abiding confidence in God. Whether on the circuit or in the station or on the district, few men excelled him in painstaking and thorough work. He had a genius for carry out his work to the minutest details. He rejoiced to see the least as well as the largest piece of Church machinery fitting closely in its proper place and moving smoothly in its proper work. This attention to the details of his work developed and brought out to a large prominence the grace of patience, and this patience grew with the growth of difficulties and strengthened with the strengthening opposition, and usually won the day over all difficulty and over every kind of opposition. Throughout his whole ministry, whether preaching or doing pastoral work, whether superintending the temporal and spiritual affairs of the district or with his own hands wielding the hammer and driving the saw in constructing church houses and parsonages, there was always exhibited confidence in himself, humility before God, and patience in the face of difficulties. Brother Keener was not what is commonly called "a popular preacher." Except on rare occasions, he was slow in delivering his sermons; and this is, by some people, considered an evidence of dullness. The criticism emanates from dullness. Slowness in delivery invariably invites the hearer to anticipate the thought in the mind of the speaker, and thus the anticipation creates the impression that the speaker is doing no more than the hearer could do were the conditions reversed. Though brother Keener was a slow speaker, very few could anticipate his thought. Not that his thoughts were specially novel or original, but there was a subtilty of thought and an aptness in expressing that subtilty which very few could anticipate and which nobody could imitate. In the critical analysis of a subject he displayed the mind of a master, moving with ease among the intricacies of the subject and solving difficulties that baffled other minds, and laying open to view the chief and important points. Being a close and diligent student of the Scriptures, he knew thoroughly the great doctrines of religion, and defended them with a logical precision and power not excelled by many. The whole of his preaching, his whole treatment of Scripture, showed a humble man sitting at the Master's feet and learning his blessed lessons. Brother Keener was most happy and blessed in his domestic relations. His esteem and regard for his family were most beautiful, and his home was a little Eden where purest love presided and a generous hospitality was cordially dispensed. His love for the Church was as simple and sincere as the love of a child for its moth-

er, and showed itself in continuous and indefatigable labors for her welfare. But these arduous and incessant labors wrought ill to his highly organized, nervous system and prostrated him. Friends hoped and prayed for his restoration, but the case proved irremediable. All that love could do, all that the enlightened science of medicine could suggest, proved of no avail, and on December 15, 1897, his spirit returned to God who gave it. We rejoice to believe that the mental aberrations have now all been corrected by the skillful and tender services of the Great Physician, and the mental power re-awakened and reilluminated by reflections from the Eternal Light, and that he now sees eye to eye and face to face, mingling his cleared voice with the choir that sings the "song of Moses and the Lamb." "These things saith the Son of God, who hath his eyes like unto a flame of fire and his feet like fine brass: I know thy works, and charity, and service, and faith, and thy patience and thy works, and the last to be more than the first."

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

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

New Orleans District.

	White Mem's	Colored Mem's	Loc'l Pr's
New Orleans: Carondelet Street..	532	2	.....
Rayne Memorial.....	191	.....	.....
Felicity Street.....	257	2	1
Louisiana Avenue.....	275	.....	1
Moreau Street.....	125	.....	1
Dryades Street.....	160	.....	1
Carrollton Avenue.....	64	.....	.....
Parker Memorial.....	154	.....	.....
Algiers.....	186	.....	.....
Tchoupitoulas Street, Gouldsboro, and Gretna.....	91	.....	1
Crap's St., Seidel, and Pearl River.	160	.....	.....
Plaquemine and Donaldsonville...	94	.....	.....
White Castle.....	43	.....	.....
Lower Coast Circuit.....	84	.....	.....
Covington and Talisheek Circuit...	198	.....	1
	2,616	4	6

Baton Rouge District.

Baton Rouge Station.....	27	.....	.....
Second Church.....	7	.....	.....
East Baton Rouge.....	40	.....	1
Live Oak.....	42	.....	1
Port Vincent.....	18	.....	1
Pontchitoula and Mission.....	19	.....	1
Franklinton and Mission.....	774	.....	1
Amite City.....	29	.....	2
St. Helena.....	841	.....	3
Pine Grove.....	337	.....	2
East Feliciana.....	349	.....	.....
Clinton Station.....	138	1	.....
Slaughter.....	163	.....	1
Wilson Circuit.....	330	.....	1
Zachary Station.....	178	.....	1
Jackson Station.....	167	.....	1
Bayou Sara.....	235	.....	.....
	5,300	1	16

Opelousas District.

	White Mem's.	Colored Mem's.	Loc'l Pr's.
Opelousas.....	156		
Plaquemine Brulee	221		
Prudhomme.....	209		
La Fayette.....	194		1
Crowley.....	282		
Abbeville.....	326		
New Iberia.....	195		1
Franklin.....	164		
Jeannerette.....	159		
Lake Charles: Broad Street.....	311		
Jackson Street.....	162		1
West Lake and Sulphur Mine.....	138		1
Patterson Station.....	102		
Morgan City and Berwick.....	216		
Grand Cheniere.....	85		1
Indian Bayou.....	472		
Lake Arthur.....	189		7 1
French Mission.....	57		
Total	3,588	7	6

Alexandria District.

Alexandria.....	157		1
Evergreen and Bunkie.....	213		
Lecompte and West Alexandria	182		1
Simsport.....	115		
Melville and Big Cane.....	189		
Spring Creek.....	326		1
Dry Creek.....	264		
Montgomery and Atlanta.....	548		2
Natchitoches and Ragan's Chapel.....	155		
Jena and Jonesville.....	167		
Columbia.....	146	1	2
Boyce and Lamothes.....	122		
Pineville.....	441		2
Chicot and White's Chapel.....	205		1
Olla and Centerville.....	315		1
Washington.....	142		
Grosse Tete.....	75		1
Colfax and Ada.....	263		
Total	3,975	1	12

Shreveport District.

Shreveport: First Church.....	496		1
Greenwood and Jordan Street.....	265		
Mooringsport.....	134		
Caddo.....	178		2
Mansfield.....	214		
Grand Cane and Logansport.....	176		2
Pleasant Hill.....	470		
Conshatta.....	151		
Red River.....	32		1
Wesley.....	76		
South Bossier.....	302		
North Bossier.....	407		1
Fort Jessup and Many.....	560		1
Pelican.....	186		
Holly Grove.....	209		4
Total	3,846		12

Arcadia District.

Homer.....	274		1
Haynesville.....	274		
Minden.....	216		1
Gibbsland.....	150		
Lanesville.....	413		2
Bienville.....	641		2
Arcadia.....	427		1
Summerfield.....	698		2
Ruston.....	363		1
Vienna.....	342		
Vernon.....	398		
Downsville.....	422		1
Farmerville.....	360		
Valley.....	302		
Lisbon.....	570		1
Gannsville.....	237		
Calhoun.....	550		5
Total	6,577		17

Delhi District.

	White Mem's.	Colored Mem's.	Loc'l Pr's.
Monroe Station.....	375		1
Rayville and Delhi.....	442		
Tatulah.....	60		
Lake Providence.....	138		
Waterproof.....	111		
Vidalia and Oakley.....	93		
Harrisonburg and Pine Hill.....	170		1
Winnsboro.....	232		1
Oak Ridge, Collinston, and Colony.....	170		
Bonita.....	203		
Bastrop and Mer Rouge.....	127		
De Laird Station.....	17		1
Floyd.....	363		1
Total	2,505		5

Recapitulation.

New Orleans District.....	2,616	41	61
Baton Rouge District.....	5,300	1	16
Opelousas District.....	3,588	7	6
Alexandria District.....	3,975	1	12
Shreveport District.....	3,846		12
Arcadia District.....	6,577		17
Delhi District.....	2,505		5
Total this year	28,407	13	74
Total last year	29,199	5	77
Increase.....		8	
Decrease.....	792		3

Ques. 22. How many infants have been baptized during the year? 970.

Ques. 23. How many adults have been baptized during the year? 729.

Ques. 24. What is the number of Epworth Leagues? 52.

Ques. 25. What is the number of Epworth League members? 1,665.

Ques. 26. What is the number of Sunday schools? 279.

Ques. 27. What is the number of Sunday-school teachers? 1,707.

Ques. 28. What is the number of Sunday-school scholars? 13,648.

Ques. 29. What amount is necessary for the superannuated preachers and the widows and orphans of preachers? \$4,900.

Ques. 30. What has been collected on the foregoing account? and how has it been applied? \$4,714.29. Applied to claimants.

Ques. 31. What has been contributed for Missions? Foreign Missions, \$4,938.15; Domestic Missions, \$1,815.02. Total, \$6,753.17.

Ques. 32. What has been contributed for Church Extension? \$1,110.24.

Ques. 33. What has been done for the American Bible Society? \$565.73.

Ques. 34. What has been contributed for the support of presiding elders and preachers in charge? Presiding elders, \$7,605.02; preachers in charge, \$52,483.23.

Ques. 35. What has been contributed for the support of bishops? \$801.37.

Ques. 36. What is the number of societies, and the number and estimated value of church edifices? Societies, 379; church edifices, 296; value, \$510,148.

Ques. 37. What is the number of pastoral charges, and the number and value

of parsonages owned by them? Charges, 114; parsonages, 91; value, \$86,710.

Ques. 38. What is the number and value of district parsonages? Number, 4; value, \$7,100.

Ques. 39. What are the educational statistics? Centenary College: Officers and teachers, 5; students, 67; value of property, \$80,000; endowment, \$29,630. Mansfield Female College: Officers and teachers, 7; students, 117; value of property, \$27,000. Johnston Collegiate Institute: Officers and teachers, 5; students, 101; value of property, \$4,000. Collected, \$729.38.

Ques. 40. Where shall the next session of the Conference be held? Mansfield, La.

Ques. 41. Where are the preachers stationed this year?

NEW ORLEANS DISTRICT.

Samuel S. Keener, P. E.

New Orleans: Carondelet Street, James L. Pierce.

Rayne Memorial, John T. Sawyer.

Louisiana Avenue, H. W. Knickerbocker.

Felicity Street, John F. Foster.

Dryades Street, James E. Denson.

Moreau Street, J. F. Scurlock.

Carrollton Avenue, George D. Parker.

Parker Memorial, to be supplied.

Algiers, R. H. Wynn.

Tchoupitoulas Street, Gretna, and

Gouldsboro, Charles T. Munholland.

Craps Street, Lewis A. Reed.

Slidell, Pearl River, and Lower Coast, James Jefferson Kelley.

Plaquemine and Donaldsonville, John W. Kent.

White Castle, Charles C. Wier.

Covington and Talisheek, M. G. Jenkins.

Students at Millsaps College, J. M. Alford E. L. Alford.

BATON ROUGE DISTRICT.

R. W. Tucker, P. E.

Baton Rouge: First Church, F. N. Parker
Second Church, H. W. Rickey.

Meadows and Antioch, M. F. Johnston.

East Baton Rouge, W. H. Benton.

Live Oak, F. G. Hocutt.

Port Vincent, W. R. Harvell.

Pontchatoula, J. H. Montgomery.

Franklinton, N. J. Roberts.

Amite City, J. Ivy Hoffpanir.

St. Helena, George D. Anders.

Pine Grove, F. N. Sweeney.

East Feliciana, John F. Wynn.

Clinton, S. J. Davies.

Slaughter, A. S. Lutz.

Wilson, C. C. Miller.

Zachary, T. J. Upton.

Jackson, H. R. Singleton.

Bayou Sara, to be supplied by G. T. White.

Centenary College, C. W. Carter, Presi-

dent; Thomas Carter, Professor; A. S. Lutz, Student.

Student at Vanderbilt University, C. D. Atkinson.

Conference Secretary of Education, F. N. Parker.

OPELOUSAS DISTRICT.

H. O. White, P. E.

Opelousas, T. K. Faunt Le Roy.

Plaquemine Brulee, R. C. Grace.

Prudhomme, W. J. Porter.

La Fayette and Mission, Isaac F. Reames.

Crowley, Percy R. Knickerbocker.

Abbeville, A. S. J. Neille.

New Siberia, James M. Henry.

Franklin, W. Winans Drake.

Jeannerette, R. M. Blocker.

Lake Charles: First Church, R. J. Harp.

Jackson Street, West Lake, and Sulphur City, T. A. Luster.

Patterson, W. G. Evans.

Morgan City and Berwick, S. B. Beall.

Grand Chenière, to be supplied by W. L. Hamil.

Indian Bayou, J. White Davis.

Lake Arthur, R. P. Howell, W. B. Van Valkenburgh.

French Mission, Martin Herbert.

ALEXANDRIA DISTRICT.

V. D. Skipper, P. E.

Alexandria, W. J. Roberts.

Bunkie and Big Cane, J. P. Haney.

Lecompte and West Alexandria, R. S. Isbell.

Simsport and Mission, W. T. Woodward.

Melville and Rosedale, R. Randle.

Spring Creek, W. J. Roberts.

Dry Creek, to be supplied by G. W. Garrett.

Montgomery, J. W. Lee.

Natchitoches and Ragan's Chapel, H. Armstrong.

Jena and Jonesville, H. M. Banks.

Columbia, A. W. Turner.

Boyce and Colfax, J. A. Parker.

Pineville, F. D. Van Valkenburgh.

Chicot and White Chapel, H. S. Johns.

Olla, Centerville, and Mission, S. S. Bogan.

Washington, to be supplied by H. L. Hughes.

Ada and Winfield Mission, W. E. Akin.

SHREVEPORT DISTRICT.

J. L. P. Sheppard, P. E.

Shreveport: First Church, W. H. La Prade.

Jordan Street, Barnette Wright.

Mooringsport, J. M. Johnston.

Caddo, Paul M. Brown.

Mansfield, J. D. Harper.

Grand Cane, J. M. Brown.

Pleasant Hill, J. B. Williams.

Robeline, to be supplied by J. M. Franklin.

Coushatta, J. F. Patterson.
 Red.River, N. S. Cornell.
 Wesley, G. D. Purcell.
 South Bossier, H. J. Boltz.
 North Bossier, Wilson Moore.
 Fort Jessup, S. S. Holliday.
 Many and Mission, J. S. Sanders; one to
 be supplied.
 Benton, to be supplied.
 Logansport, to be supplied by O. M. Po-
 sey.
 Student at Vanderbilt University, J. C.
 Sligh.

ARCADIA DISTRICT.

B. T. Crews, P. E.

Homer, H. W. May.
 Haynesville, J. O. Bennett.
 Minden, A. D. McVoy.
 Gibbsland, Elton Wilson.
 Lanesville, C. F. Staples.
 Bienville, R. S. Colier.
 Arcadia, W. F. Henderson.
 Lisbon and Summerfield, B. H. Sheppard.
 Ruston, A. J. Notestine.
 Simsboro, H. W. Ledbetter.
 Vernon, W. A. Clarke.
 Downsville, R. W. Vaughan.
 Farmerville, P. O. Lowry.
 Valley, H. B. Thomason.

Gannsville, J. H. Brown.
 Calhoun, Tatum M. Wafer.
 Ouachita Mission, to be supplied.

DELHI DISTRICT.

B. F. White, P. E.

Monroe, E. N. Evans.
 Girard and Colony, I. H. Whitley.
 Rayville, J. B. Cassity.
 Delhi, J. M. Martin.
 Tallulah, to be supplied by E. T. Denson.
 Lake Providence, F. S. Parker.
 Waterproof, R. A. Davis.
 Vidalia and Gilbert, E. E. Riggs.
 Harrisonburg and Pine Hill, T. H. Mc-
 Clendon.
 Winnsboro, Ira L. Bronson.
 Oak Ridge, Colliston, and Mer Rouge, D.
 C. Barr.
 Bonita, W. H. Hill.
 Bastrop, William Schuhlé.
 De Stard, W. H. Hatfield.
 Floyd, J. M. Etheridge.

Transferred.—T. L. Lallance, P. H. Fon-
 taine, to the New Mexico Conference; J.
 R. Roy, to the North Texas Conference;
 L. F. Jackson, to the Western Virginia
 Conference; C. R. Montgomery, to the Pa-
 cific Conference.

KOREAN MISSION.

Established in 1896. Organized as a Separate Mission in 1897. First Session in Seoul, Korea, December 8, 1897.

C. F. REID, *President*; C. T. COLLYER, *Secretary*.

E. R. HENDRIX, *Bishop in Charge*.

STATISTICS FOR THE YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 8, 1897.

Workers, Members, Baptisms, etc.	Seoul Circuit	Songdo Circuit.	Totals.
Foreign Workers: Missionaries of the General Board.....	1	1	2
Wives of Missionaries.....	1	1	2
Ladies of the Woman's Board.....	1	.....	1
Native Workers: Colporteurs.....	1	1	2
Foreign Members: Communicants.....	5	1	6
Native Members: Communicants.....	45	3	48
Probationers.....	65	43	108
Total adherents.....	115	47	162
Accessions this year: Received into communion.....	42	3	45
Received on probation.....	110	46	156
Baptisms: Infants.....	5	1	6
Adults.....	42	3	45
Colportage: Bibles and portions sold.....	314	.....	.....
Tracts sold.....	50	.....	.....
Contributions: For Church Extension, by foreigners.....	\$22 50	\$ 5 00	\$27 50
For Church Extension, by natives.....	16 00	34 00	50 00
Collections for other purposes.....	18 03	.....	18 03
Total contributions.....	\$56 56	\$39 00	\$95 56
PROPERTY STATISTICS.			
General Board: Chapels.....	2	2	4
Sittings.....	250	175	425
Value.....	\$1,550 00	\$200 00	\$1,750 00
Foreign Residences.....	2	1	3
Value.....	\$3,000 00	\$450 00	\$3,450 00
Woman's Board: Vacant lot.....	1	.....	1
Value.....	\$1,000 00	.....	\$1,000 00

APPOINTMENTS.

C. F. Reid, *Superintendent*.

Seoul, C. F. Reid.

Koyang Circuit, Kim Sundal.

Songdo, C. T. Collyer.

Chandan and Pachoo Circuit, Kim Hoiy Soo.

Seoul, Woman's Work, Mrs. J. P. Campbell.

JAPAN MISSION CONFERENCE.

MEMBERSHIP STATISTICS. (See Page 60.)

Kobé District.

	Mem- bers.	Loc't Pr's.
Kobé Station.....	131	6
Kobé Circuit.....	18	.....
West Osaka Circuit.....	40	.....
East Osaka Circuit.....	51	1
Sakai Circuit.....	19	1
Himeji Circuit.....	7	.....
	266	8

Matsuyama District.

Matsuyama Circuit.....	24	.....
Oita Circuit.....	21	.....
Uwajima Circuit.....	53	2
Tadotsu Circuit.....	17	.....
Nakatsu Circuit.....	13	2
	128	4

Hiroshima District.

	Mem- bers.	Loc't Pr's.
Hiroshima Circuit.....	136	.....
Yamaguchi Circuit.....	29	.....
Onomichi Circuit.....	.....	.....
* 10 members registered at Hiroshima.	165	.....

Recapitulation.

Kobé District.....	266	8
Matsuyama District.....	128	4
Hiroshima District.....	165	.....
Total this year.....	559	18
Total last year.....	542	20
Increase.....	17	.....
Decrease.....	.....	2

I. MINISTERIAL RELATIONS.

CONFERENCE.	TRAVELING PREACHERS.							PRESENT NUMBER.				ORDINATIONS.								
	Admitted on Trial.	Admitted into Full Con- nection.	Readmitted.	Received by Transfer.	Discontinued.	Located.	Suspended, Withdrawn, or Expelled.	Died.	Effective.	Superannuated.	Total Traveling Preachers.	Traveling Preachers.			Local Preachers.			Total Ordinations.		
												Deacons.	Elders.	Total.	Deacons.	Elders.	Total.			
Alabama.....	7	6				1	1	2	163	4	22	189	2	12	14	5		5	19	
Arkansas.....	3	5		4	1	1		2	106	1	14	121	3	1	4	4	2	6	10	
Baltimore.....	10	15	1	2		1		4	201	4	22	227	3	2	5	4	2	6	11	
Brazil Mission.....	2					2			25			25	1	5	6	1			7	
Central Mexico Mis.....		2			1	3	4		31			31	2	1	3	1		1	4	
China Mission.....	2	4		1					34			34								
Columbia.....	2			1	1	1		1	20	1		21					1	1	1	
Denver.....	1			3	1				16			16		1	1	1		1	2	
East Columbia.....	3	2		1				1	24			24	1	1	2		1	1	3	
East Texas.....	6	5						1	101		8	109	4	6	10	7	2	9	19	
Florida.....	3	8		3		3		3	121	4	7	132	2	6	8	7	2	9	17	
German Mission.....	1		1						20		3	23		1	1	3		3	4	
Holston.....	6	8		2	1	1		3	185	14	23	222	4	11	15	3		3	18	
Illinois.....	3	7	1	2		1	2	1	53	2	2	57	2	1	3	2		2	5	
Indian Mission.....	19	8	2	4	2	2		1	160	1	3	164	3	2	5	12	1	13	18	
Japan Mission.....	4	3			1				27			27								
Kentucky.....	2	2	2	3	1	1		2	122	8	11	141		3	3	3		3	6	
Little Rock.....	4	2		4				3	125	3	14	142	1	6	7	7		7	14	
Los Angeles.....	1	1	1	4					27		3	30	1	3	4	1		1	5	
Louisiana.....	3	3		1	2	2		5	126		11	137	1	3	4	4	1	5	9	
Louisville.....	8	6	1	2			1	4	166	2	11	179	3	8	11	4		4	15	
Memphis.....	2	8		5	1	4		2	158	6	14	178	4	5	9	4	1	5	14	
Mexican Border Mis.....	1			2		1		1	27	1	2	30		2	2				2	
Mississippi.....	5	4				3		2	137	3	15	155	3	8	11	3	1	4	13	
Missouri.....	6	10		3	1	6		2	180	6	18	204	4	2	6	11		11	17	
Montana.....	2	2		2		2			15	1	1	17	1		1				1	
New Mexico.....	2	3		5	1	3			19	2	1	22	3	2	5	1		1	6	
North Alabama.....	9	8		3	1	3		3	198	2	12	212	6	8	14	7	1	8	22	
North Carolina.....	10	7	2	3	1			2	173	4	9	186	6	3	9	3		3	12	
North Georgia.....	10	10		4		7		6	262	4	28	294	8	3	11	9	1	10	21	
North Mis-issippi.....	6	8		1	2	1		3	161	1	13	175	4	7	11	5		5	16	
North Texas.....	7	8		10		1	1	4	165	5	17	187	2	10	12	9	3	12	24	
Northwest Mex. Mis... ..	1	1		2		2			13		1	14				1		1	1	
Northwest Texas.....	7	6	1	5	1	1	1	4	221	4	29	254	9	11	20	14		14	34	
Pacific.....	2		2	6		1	4		74	2	6	82		2	2				2	
South Carolina.....	7	10		1		3		5	229	6	30	265	6	9	15	4	3	7	22	
South Georgia.....	5	8		3	3	4		3	190	2	17	209	5	10	15	7	1	8	23	
Southwest Missouri ..	13	7		3	1	2			150	3	20	173	2	7	9	2		2	11	
St. Louis.....	3	3		3		2		1	116		7	123	1	8	9	2	1	3	12	
Tennessee.....	5	8	1	1	1			4	198	3	21	222	5	5	10	7	3	10	20	
Texas.....	5	1		3		3		1	97		11	108	1	4	5	5	2	7	12	
Virginia.....	9	11				1	1	5	244	3	24	271	5	13	18	4		4	22	
West Texas.....	3	2		7	2	3	1	1	86		17	103	2		2	6	1	7	9	
Western.....		2		1					25		2	27	2	3	5				5	
Western N. Carolina..	6	6		6	1			3	177	5	16	198	4	9	13	4	1	5	18	
Western Virginia.....	9	1	1	2				2	107	3	10	120		1	1	8	2	10	11	
White River.....	4	6		1	2	1		1	88	1	9	98	4	5	9	4		4	13	
Korean Mission.....									2			2								
Bishops.....									9			9								
Total this year.....	233	238	16	119	29	72	13	92	5374	111	504	5989	120	210	330	189	33	221	552	
Total last year.....	226	257	18	138	33	72	19	95	5379	117	504	6000	138	220	358	160	25	185	543	
Increase.....	7																29	8	56	9
Decrease.....		29	2	19	4		6	3		5	6		18	10	28					

II. MEMBERS, BAPTISMS, SOCIETIES, AND CHARGES.

CONFERENCE.	Traveling Preachers.	Local Preachers.	White Members.	Colored Members.	Indian Members.	Total Preachers and Members.	Increase.	Decrease.	Infants Baptized.	Adults Baptized.	Societies.	Charges.
Alabama.....	189	166	50,481	6	.....	50,842	844	.....	885	1,488	613	146
Arkansas.....	121	203	24,091	1	.....	24,416	.....	628	547	908	412	94
Baltimore.....	227	96	50,578	33	.....	50,984	1,241	.....	1,580	1,969	630	160
Brazil Mission.....	25	9	1,729	.....	.....	1,763	158	.....	142	187	28	23
Central Mexico Mission.....	81	17	2,932	.....	.....	2,980	.....	292	154	196	62	32
China Mission.....	34	10	781	.....	.....	825	43	.....	31	58	.....	9
Columbia.....	21	13	1,778	.....	.....	1,812	107	.....	23	81	61	21
Denver.....	16	6	1,133	2	.....	1,157	21	.....	44	37	23	15
East Columbia.....	24	27	1,667	.....	.....	1,718	.....	126	22	34	41	23
East Texas.....	109	157	33,211	.....	.....	33,477	.....	536	804	1,288	448	97
Florida.....	132	132	21,233	4	.....	21,501	521	.....	767	508	385	110
German Mission.....	23	17	1,252	.....	.....	1,292	48	.....	141	4	35	17
Holston.....	222	264	54,740	.....	.....	55,226	378	.....	1,115	2,350	808	165
Illinois.....	57	62	8,372	1	.....	8,492	131	.....	137	373	152	52
Indian Mission.....	164	219	15,998	.....	4,309	20,690	824	.....	925	1,324	488	143
Japan Mission.....	27	18	559	.....	.....	604	15	.....	28	76	12	14
Kentucky.....	141	101	31,731	11	.....	31,984	502	.....	393	1,457	330	110
Little Rock.....	142	146	30,319	3	.....	31,110	.....	429	699	1,170	474	107
Los Angeles.....	30	24	2,227	.....	.....	2,231	53	.....	35	63	40	24
Louisiana.....	137	74	28,407	13	.....	28,631	.....	787	970	729	379	114
Louisville.....	179	192	47,822	8	.....	47,701	937	.....	658	1,615	513	.....
Memphis.....	178	216	59,784	1	.....	60,179	286	.....	946	2,534	527	146
Mexican Border Mission.....	30	21	1,375	.....	.....	1,926	106	.....	166	155	64	24
Mississippi.....	155	118	36,658	2	43	36,976	.....	818	954	343	428	123
Missouri.....	204	152	44,443	22	.....	44,821	225	.....	413	1,841	510	165
Montana.....	17	4	979	3	.....	1,003	36	.....	31	39	23	14
New Mexico.....	22	13	1,544	.....	.....	1,579	222	.....	78	101	38	18
North Alabama.....	212	345	61,703	.....	.....	62,260	690	.....	1,001	2,653	798	180
North Carolina.....	186	109	65,222	23	.....	65,540	439	.....	869	2,071	686	153
North Georgia.....	294	344	96,047	11	.....	96,696	2,641	.....	1,578	4,193	790	225
North Mississippi.....	175	121	44,950	.....	.....	45,246	436	.....	539	1,825	469	144
North Texas.....	187	234	51,145	.....	.....	51,563	1,127	.....	1,123	2,437	506	146
Northwest Mexican Mis... Northwest Texas.....	14 254	11 372	994 67,973	..... .....	..... .....	1,019 68,500	81 1,143	..... .....	93 1,768	108 3,321	26 747	..... 206
Pacific.....	82	31	7,535	6	.....	7,654	.....	172	124	168	113	72
South Carolina.....	265	116	73,677	.....	.....	74,058	933	.....	1,835	1,046	600	201
South Georgia.....	209	170	63,233	3	.....	63,670	1,125	.....	1,320	2,287	660	174
Southwest Missouri.....	173	137	31,939	.....	.....	32,299	146	.....	358	1,546	.....	136
St. Louis.....	123	122	25,548	7	.....	25,800	.....	1,170	640	1,149	385	106
Tennessee.....	222	294	67,089	9	.....	67,611	.....	441	896	2,372	690	186
Texas.....	108	109	23,014	2	.....	23,233	435	.....	655	729	249	89
Virginia.....	271	124	87,831	51	.....	88,277	2,569	.....	1,163	3,207	746	213
West Texas.....	103	102	17,636	10	.....	17,901	554	.....	502	714	246	79
Western.....	27	18	3,324	.....	.....	3,369	19	.....	109	209	58	26
Western North Carolina..	198	185	68,752	.....	.....	69,135	1,468	.....	1,317	2,193	738	163
Western Virginia.....	120	148	22,130	16	.....	22,414	.....	744	426	1,074	452	95
White River.....	98	116	25,835	.....	.....	26,049	1,408	.....	622	1,489	358	88
Korean Mission.....	2	.....	101	.....	.....	103	103	.....	6	45	.....	4
Bishops.....	9	.....	.....	.....	.....	9	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Total this year.....	5,939	5,685	1,462,152	253	4,352	1,478,431	.....	.....	30,134	56,427	16,886	4,752
Total last year.....	6,000	5,882	1,446,037	294	4,160	1,462,423	.....	.....	31,568	63,599	16,271	4,188
Increase.....	.....	.....	16,065	.....	192	16,008	.....	.....	.....	.....	615	464
Decrease.....	11	197	.....	41	.....	.....	.....	.....	1,434	7,172	.....	.....

III. SUNDAY SCHOOLS, EPWORTH LEAGUES, CHURCH PROPERTY.

CONFERENCE.	Sunday Schools.	Sunday-school Teachers.	Sunday-school Scholars.	Epworth Leagues.	Epworth League Members.	Church Edifices.	Value.	Church Parsonages.	Value.	District Parsonages.	Value.
Alabama.....	447	3,590	28,525	54	2,355	550	\$ 722,069	107	\$ 124,442	4	\$ 10,000
Arkansas.....	215	1,506	13,038	37	1,219	225	185,160	85	40,685	5	3,550
Baltimore.....	581	5,699	40,357	165	7,160	521	1,186,065	135	220,050	5	20,000
Brazil Mission*.....	29	100	1,043	1	35	8	50,270	4	9,000	.....	.....
Central Mexico Mission*.....	42	103	1,272	9	229	34	23,203	12	25,499	.....	.....
China Mission*.....	19	135	1,646	9	292	10	13,550	14	21,500	2	3,160
Columbia.....	33	212	1,117	20	552	32½	61,822	17	12,112	.....	.....
Denver.....	22	163	1,177	13	233	13	65,100	12	14,300	.....	.....
East Columbia.....	29	203	1,437	10	313	25½	46,050	13	7,800	.....	.....
East Texas.....	253	1,614	13,530	47	1,708	308½	279,680	81	53,096	6	7,750
Florida.....	289	1,922	12,784	100	2,846	204	388,550	93	93,985	5	9,000
German Mission.....	31	206	1,153	11	306	24½	35,060	15	11,590	.....	.....
Holston.....	652	4,717	41,352	139	4,540	578½	896,270	110	153,352	7	11,950
Illinois.....	132½	987	7,003	58	2,148	123	123,225	41	23,600	1	800
Indian Mission.....	240	1,313	10,649	46	1,438	257	149,549	93	37,686	4	4,453
Japan Mission*.....	54	73	1,554	1	25	9	6,454	10	7,332	.....	.....
Kentucky.....	261	1,884	14,595	58	2,392	289¾	725,825	65	96,600	.....	.....
Little Rock.....	332	1,999	15,361	82	2,434	361	338,185	88	61,140	4	5,250
Los Angeles.....	34	295	2,011	27	855	30	108,565	22	29,500	1	600
Louisiana.....	279	1,707	13,648	52	1,665	296	510,148	91	86,710	4	7,100
Louisville.....	366	2,671	22,331	48	1,740	466	301,330	115	134,965	4	8,000
Memphis.....	484	3,751	32,344	98	3,417	503	350,811	120	160,731	4	7,500
Mexican Border Mission*.....	54	138	1,457	11	411	18	19,194	6	890	.....	.....
Mississippi.....	343	2,051	16,725	36	1,647	368	405,620	107	89,895	4	7,650
Missouri.....	419	3,655	26,040	223	6,753	449	324,510	122	134,775	.....	.....
Montana.....	23	151	1,197	7	188	17	46,700	11	15,600	1	1,600
New Mexico.....	33	244	1,674	16	714	20	43,735	15	11,670	.....	.....
North Alabama.....	630	3,331	34,954	111	3,781	671	650,438	138	139,720	10	25,000
North Carolina.....	635	4,799	40,058	32	1,475	636½	814,545	119	143,225	5	13,200
North Georgia.....	746	5,642	49,177	139	6,868	770½	1,144,670	164	216,305	5	9,700
North Mississippi.....	464	2,521	22,332	89	3,069	503	430,330	121	114,426	6	.....
North Texas.....	358	2,888	24,334	187	7,270	322	555,170	132	112,835	7	12,050
Northwest Mexican Mis.....	27	87	875	7	233	17	26,575	4	4,000	.....	.....
Northwest Texas.....	545	4,002	33,270	230	8,505	333	702,077	134	153,164	10	17,800
Pacific.....	105	668	4,364	67	2,298	82	315,190	51	45,740	4	6,300
South Carolina.....	712	5,077	43,112	77	2,491	700	876,535	153	253,927	10	30,000
South Georgia.....	587	3,946	30,578	37	3,774	607½	819,012	121	151,557	1	2,000
Southwest Missouri.....	298	2,674	20,172	147	5,091	351	674,200	98	102,615	2	4,500
St. Louis.....	233	2,119	18,629	93	3,534	263½	692,538	63	73,851	1	1,500
Tennessee.....	573½	4,065	34,691	179	6,498	539	1,040,265	125	129,333	4	6,200
Texas.....	182	1,455	11,263	72	2,392	187	361,645	72	72,210	1	1,100
Virginia.....	801	8,793	62,233	176	9,322	750	1,315,393	147	236,325	3	9,000
West Texas.....	167	1,138	9,549	83	2,639	147	227,915	73	59,650	5	7,500
Western.....	43	405	2,539	30	956	50	98,950	21	18,125	.....	.....
Western N. Carolina.....	731	4,740	49,752	105	3,543	665	732,590	116½	130,339	5	7,900
Western Virginia.....	370	2,433	19,512	102	3,639	297¼	390,250	43	41,740	3	4,300
White River.....	265	1,641	12,924	45	1,436	249	214,137	60	34,657	.....	.....
Korean Mission.....	9	.....	.....	.....	.....	†4	1,750	‡3	3,450	.....	.....
Total this year.....	14,188	104,135	851,438	3,486	126,534	14,086¼	\$21,589,730	3,622½	\$ 3,926,364	143	\$ 266,918
Total last year.....	13,997	103,273	839,436	3,162	116,621	13,919	21,234,980	3,452	3,320,299	129	237,833
Increase.....	191	857	12,002	324	9,963	167¼	\$ 354,750	170½	\$ 97,565	14	\$ 29,085

* In these tables all foreign money values have been reduced to United States currency. † Chapels. ‡ Foreign residences.

IV. BENEVOLENT CONTRIBUTIONS AND MINISTERIAL SUPPORT.

CONFERENCE.	Conference Claimants.	Foreign Missions.	Domestic Missions.	Total Missions.	Church Extension.	American Bible Society.	Paid Preaching Riders.	Paid Preachers in Charge.	Paid Bishops.
Alabama.....	\$ 7,685 88	\$ 10,967 24	\$ 3,791 30	\$ 14,758 54	\$ 3,191 14	\$ 357 57	\$ 15,114 06	\$ 80,778 44	\$ 1,557 20
Arkansas.....	1,967 55	2,160 61	1,838 58	3,999 19	665 81	91 04	3,641 73	33,519 05	401 09
Baltimore.....	10,634 00	11,375 09	6,145 00	17,721 09	2,237 00	361 00	15,549 00	117,611 00	2,007 00
Brazil Mission*.....	65 93	38 36	430 00	518 36	.....	51 66	.....	4,181 95	17 00
Cen. Mexico Mis.*.....	49 64	77 54	.....	77 54	35 20	3 56	11 74	654 62	.....
China Mission*.....	.....	.....	150 95	150 95	29 25	3 30	.....	348 87	2 00
Columbia.....	39 06	282 31	40 55	322 86	239 30	22 67	433 73	2,655 53	41 85
Denver.....	69 55	74 30	66 75	141 05	51 95	14 60	300 95	3,763 70	34 50
East Columbia.....	60 82	233 88	115 36	349 74	67 61	7 47	682 18	3,661 30	30 15
East Texas.....	1,335 55	3,490 30	2,276 45	5,766 75	1,063 40	120 25	5,962 20	38,754 22	710 15
Florida.....	1,831 64	2,343 84	2,578 85	4,922 69	650 61	117 50	5,590 93	42,057 44	597 72
German Mission.....	135 25	739 43	786 10	1,525 53	92 75	56 65	436 05	3,547 95	61 75
Holston.....	2,749 87	5,181 67	3,616 02	8,797 69	1,656 06	235 92	10,182 62	67,968 63	942 85
Illinois.....	280 31	235 09	158 84	393 98	142 35	13 65	1,593 14	12,578 46	132 75
Indian Mission.....	773 30	2,139 29	1,749 49	3,888 78	454 75	43 33	2,849 32	39,108 50	336 02
Japan Mission*.....	.....	.....	558 72	558 72	.....	.....	.....	317 93	.....
Kentucky.....	1,571 92	3,737 04	2,013 00	5,750 04	1,303 05	334 90	6,221 33	55,367 98	684 78
Little Rock.....	3,797 01	4,129 78	2,725 63	6,855 41	1,260 12	227 59	6,721 25	40,004 48	828 00
Los Angeles.....	219 10	805 23	316 15	1,121 33	214 12	85 65	1,230 56	7,477 87	127 80
Louisiana.....	4,714 29	4,933 15	1,315 02	6,753 17	1,110 24	565 73	7,605 02	52,488 23	801 37
Louisville.....	1,867 29	4, 91 39	2,915 70	7,310 09	1,634 19	252 66	9,121 50	60,960 13	851 63
Memphis.....	4,344 06	8,535 59	3,117 00	11,652 59	2,523 20	314 05	8,552 70	71,060 75	1,574 31
Mexican Bor. Mis.*.....	93 59	165 67	.....	165 67	56 13	12 25	15 25	890 76	10 25
Mississippi.....	5,222 63	5,936 35	2,553 13	8,239 48	1,677 35	772 80	9,025 72	59,924 83	1,261 48
Missouri.....	7,244 57	9,322 53	5,313 25	14,635 78	2,439 32	619 15	10,309 87	82,586 52	1,660 18
Montana.....	20 00	400 00	220 65	620 65	200 00	15 25	574 82	4,024 00	80 40
New Mexico.....	272 85	432 00	190 00	672 00	91 50	45 25	741 50	5,499 35	83 00
North Alabama.....	4,326 88	8,186 73	4,154 21	12,340 94	2,026 10	378 01	11,712 00	70,693 90	1,402 18
North Carolina.....	5,452 65	10,535 85	6,657 68	17,193 53	2,765 96	400 46	12,138 77	84,116 49	1,625 44
North Georgia.....	15,474 50	16,904 03	8,626 52	25,530 55	3,861 09	553 12	18,567 42	123,849 82	2,764 86
North Mississippi.....	3,773 09	7,835 20	2,455 27	10,340 47	2,166 37	569 20	9,970 32	65,760 60	1,217 35
North Texas.....	4,435 84	7,036 54	3,775 59	10,812 13	2,089 89	224 70	11,566 31	73,062 95	1,116 47
N. W. Mexican Mis.....	15 00	.....	143 00	143 00	104 03	8 13	52 00	1,665 00	50
Northwest Texas.....	6,452 00	8,717 44	3,396 46	17,113 90	3,001 63	445 30	15,365 00	105,416 15	2,045 42
Pacific.....	1,430 00	966 60	1,055 50	2,022 10	450 90	117 75	4,198 14	29,357 35	384 70
South Carolina.....	9,541 53	9,200 94	9,712 05	18,912 99	2,059 61	660 53	15,614 41	101,301 62	1,577 75
South Georgia.....	5,164 33	11,018 22	6,556 14	17,574 36	2,442 23	894 74	14,174 64	92,460 82	1,486 61
S. W. Missouri.....	4,765 00	5,554 51	4,130 52	9,685 03	1,421 97	193 07	9,439 77	66,901 93	1,116 40
St. Louis.....	4,234 30	4,620 09	2,731 66	7,351 75	1,667 73	229 56	7,164 39	49,768 93	929 86
Tennessee.....	6,750 57	11,506 69	7,184 05	18,690 74	2,961 40	570 23	11,626 12	81,727 54	1,776 33
Texas.....	4,287 28	4,175 33	3,269 72	7,445 05	1,373 00	120 69	6,659 56	45,599 36	867 56
Virginia.....	11,365 49	17,149 24	9,637 03	26,386 27	3,701 09	805 71	17,173 60	168,750 42	2,809 04
West Texas.....	3,552 00	2,973 82	3,252 23	6,226 05	848 10	129 85	4,946 14	41,335 00	535 11
Western.....	160 00	639 14	221 95	861 09	130 70	17 30	1,024 00	8,125 00	136 60
W. N. Carolina.....	3,293 15	8,835 33	5,031 12	13,866 45	1,940 10	361 22	10,661 78	76,634 88	1,272 62
Western Virginia.....	1,218 40	1,096 25	1,118 00	2,214 25	359 25	57 60	4,165 67	38,116 50	406 82
White River.....	1,160 70	2,095 96	1,017 72	3,113 68	323 30	177 47	3,397 65	28,528 67	611 76
Total this year.....	\$153,598 36	\$221,483 59	\$134,510 41	\$355,994 00	\$58,881 01	\$11,711 19	\$312,654 86	\$2,246,420 49	\$38,969 25
Total last year.....	144,345 15	215,478 09	133,947 96	349,426 05	57,153 92	9,709 23	306,379 09	2,181,493 99	39,033 79
Increase.....	\$9,253 21	\$6,005 50	\$562 45	\$6,567 95	\$ 1,727 09	\$2,001 91	\$6,275 77	\$64,926 50	.....
Decrease.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	\$119 53

* In these tables all foreign money values have been reduced to United States currency.

V. EDUCATIONAL STATISTICS.

CONFERENCE REPORTING.	NAME OF INSTITUTION.	Teachers.	Pupils.	Endowment.	Value of Property
Alabama, North Alabama.....	Southern University.....	8	175	\$ 35,000	\$ 125,000
Alabama.....	Alabama Conference Female College...	14	130		90,000
Alabama.....	Mobile District High School.....	2	50		2,500
Alabama.....	Selma District High School.....	4	70		1,500
Alabama.....	Montgomery District High School.....	4	100		3,000
Alabama.....	Eufaula District High School.....	5	140		3,600
Alabama.....	Marianna District High School.....	2	74		2,000
Alabama.....	Pensacola District High School.....	4	65		2,500
Arkansas, L. Rock, W. River...	Hendrix College.....				
Arkansas, L. Rock, W. River...	Galloway College.....				
Arkansas.....	Quitman College.....	6	106		40,000
Arkansas.....	Yellville Institute.....	4	232		5,000
Arkansas.....	Prairie Grove Institute.....	1	35		2,500
Arkansas.....	Wallace Institute.....			8,500	
Baltimore, Virginia.....	Randolph-Macon College.....				
Baltimore, Virginia.....	Randolph-Macon Woman's College.....				
Baltimore, Virginia.....	Randolph-Macon Academy, Bedford.....				
Baltimore, Virginia.....	Randolph-Macon Acad., Front Royal.....				
Baltimore.....	Wesleyan Female Institute.....	11	63		30,000
Brazil Mission.....	Piracicaba College.....	10	123		25,000
Brazil Mission.....	Mineiro College.....	7	97		1,000
Brazil Mission.....	Petropolis College.....	8	61		40,000
Brazil Mission.....	Fluminense College.....	3	32		200
Brazil Mission.....	Granbery College.....	10	63		1,000
Central Mexico Mission.....	Four institutions.....	19	444		16,480
China Mission.....	Anglo-Chinese College.....	14	244		96,250
China Mission.....	Buffington College.....	11	139		7,233
China Mission.....	Anglo-Chinese School (Soochow).....	4	68		500
China Mission.....	McTyeire School (for girls).....	5	33		5,000
China Mission.....	Clopton Boarding School (for girls).....	3	30		2,250
China Mission.....	East Side Girls' Boarding School.....	4	35		1,850
East Texas, Ger. Mis., N. Tex., N. W. Texas, Texas, W. Texas.	Southwestern University.....				
East Texas.....	Alexander Collegiate Institute.....	4	86		12,000
Florida, N. Ga., S. Ga.....	Emory College.....				
Florida, N. Ga., S. Ga.....	Wesleyan Female College.....				
Florida.....	Florida Conference College.....				
German Mission, Texas, E. Tex., N. Tex., N. W. Tex., W. Tex.	Southwestern University.....				
Holston.....	Seven schools.....	67	654		320,000
Indian Mission.....	Four schools and colleges.....	25	735	12,355	117,000
Japan Mission.....	Three boarding schools.....		232		22,320
Japan Mission.....	Seven other schools.....		170		
Japan Mission.....	Two kindergartens.....		118		
Kentucky.....	Wesleyan College and two academies.....		332		
Little Rock, Ark., W. River.....	Hendrix College.....	8	153		65,000
Little Rock, Ark., W. River.....	Galloway College.....	23	253		60,000
Little Rock.....	Arkadelphia College.....	13	212		55,000
Little Rock.....	Training School.....	5	100		3,500
Louisiana.....	Centenary College.....	5	67	29,630	80,000
Louisiana.....	Mansfield Female College.....	7	117		27,000
Louisiana.....	Johnston Collegiate Institute.....	5	101		4,000
Louisville.....	Two institutions.....	15	200	29,000	65,000
Memphis.....	Seven schools and colleges.....	65	819		99,000
Mexican Border Mission.....	Instituto Laurens.....	8	130		15,000
Mexican Border Mission.....	Colegio Ingles.....	8	108		13,000
Mexican Border Mission.....	Laredo Seminary (no report).....				
Mississippi, North Mississippi.....	Millsaps College.....	12	206	107,000	70,000
Mississippi.....	Whitworth Female College.....	13	160		70,000
Mississippi.....	Edward McGehee Female College.....	5	72		10,000
Mississippi.....	East Mississippi Female College.....	25	256		25,000
Mississippi.....	Port Gibson Female College.....	10	103		15,000
Missouri.....	Eight schools.....	65	897	153,000	415,000
North Alabama, Alabama.....	Southern University.....				
North Alabama.....	Six institutions.....	41	748	50,000	175,300
North Carolina, Western N. C.....	Trinity College.....	14	143	125,000	230,000
North Carolina.....	Littleton Female College.....	11	106		20,000
North Carolina.....	Burlington Academy.....	4	80		4,000
North Carolina.....	Jonesboro High School.....	2	57		1,500
North Georgia, S. Ga., Fla.....	Emory College.....	15	281	208,630	125,000
North Georgia, S. Ga., Fla.....	Wesleyan Female College.....	19	199	50,000	250,000
North Georgia.....	La Grange Female College.....	18	240		100,000
North Georgia.....	Young L. G. Harris College.....	10	322	38,000	20,000
North Georgia.....	Fairmount College.....	6	298		10,000
North Georgia.....	Reinhardt Normal College.....	5	218		4,500
North Georgia.....	Piedmont Institute.....	7	308		16,000
North Georgia.....	Blue Ridge Institute.....	4	170		1,500
North Georgia.....	Hutcheson Collegiate Institute.....	4	215		3,000
North Georgia.....	Paine Institute.....	6	202	25,000	8,000
North Mississippi, Mississippi.....	Millsaps College.....				
North Mississippi.....	Grenada Collegiate Institute.....				40,000
North Texas.....	North Texas Female College.....	22	320		63,000
North Texas, E. Tex., N. W. Tex., W. Tex., German Mission.....	Southwestern University.....				

EDUCATIONAL STATISTICS (CONTINUED).

CONFERENCE REPORTING.	NAME OF INSTITUTION.	Teachers.	Pupils.	Endowment.	Value of Property.
Northwest Mexican	Seven schools and colleges	18	330		\$ 26,570
Northwest Texas	Southwestern University				
Northwest Texas	Polytechnic College	15	299		25,000
Northwest Texas	Weatherford College	12	242		25,000
Northwest Texas	Granbury College	6	150		15,000
Pacific	One college	8	103		25,000
South Carolina	Wofford College		158	\$ 63,000	100,000
South Carolina	Columbia Female College		127		65,000
South Carolina	Cokesbury Conference School (No report)				
South Carolina	Wofford Fitting School		36		
South Carolina	Carlisle Fitting School		111		20,000
South Georgia, N. Ga., Fla.	Emory College				
South Georgia, N. Ga., Fla.	Wesleyan Female College				
South Georgia	Andrew College	12	162		30,000
South Georgia	South Georgia College	6	225		15,000
Southwest Missouri, Mo., St. Louis	Central College	12	156	130,000	150,000
Southwest Missouri, Mo., St. Louis	Central Female College	14	110		75,000
Southwest Missouri	Scarritt Collegiate Institute	9	160	10,000	30,000
Southwest Missouri	Morrisville College	7	109		10,000
St. Louis	Bellvue Collegiate Institute	4	90		15,000
St. Louis	Marvin Collegiate Institute	4	79		30,000
St. Louis, Missouri, S. W. Mo.	Central College				
St. Louis, Missouri, S. W. Mo.	Central Female College				
Tennessee	Eight schools	165	1,606		236,500
Texas, E. Tex., N. Tex., N. W. Tex., W. Tex., Ger. Mission.	Southwestern University	22	425		85,500
Texas	Chappell Hill Female College	6	60		12,000
Virginia, Baltimore	Randolph-Macon College	13	126	123,500	115,000
Virginia, Baltimore	Randolph-Macon Woman's College	20	173	102,000	132,000
Virginia, Baltimore	Randolph-Macon Academy, Bedford	7	116		99,600
Virginia, Baltimore	Randolph-Macon Acad., Front Royal	6	79		105,000
Virginia	Randolph-Macon Institute, Danville		86		35,000
Virginia	Suffolk College	10	91		35,000
Virginia	Southern Female College	12	97		13,000
Virginia	Central Female Institute	8	85		4,000
Virginia	Blackstone Female Institute	16	172		30,000
Virginia	Southern Seminary	7	43		10,500
West Texas	San Antonio Female College	10	93		50,000
West Texas	Coronal Institute	12	270		35,000
West Texas, Texas, E. Tex., N. Tex., N. W. Tex., Ger. Mis.	Southwestern University				
Western North Carolina, N. C.	Trinity College				
Western North Carolina	Seven other institutions	38	721		95,200
Western Virginia	Barboursville College	5	96		22,000
White River, Little Rock, Ark.	Hendrix College				
White River, Little Rock, Ark.	Galloway College				
Total: 39 Conferences.	162 schools and colleges	1,223	19,843	\$1,299,625	\$4,910,853

WOMAN'S FOREIGN MISSIONARY SOCIETY

OF THE METHODIST EPISCOPAL CHURCH, SOUTH.

RECEIPTS FROM ANNUAL CONFERENCE SOCIETIES, 1896-97.

Alabama Conference	\$ 2,711 66	Northwest Texas Conference.....	\$ 1,569 40
Arkansas Conference.....	1,001 34	Pacific Conference.....	394 34
Baltimore Conference.....	4,539 49	South Carolina Conference.....	5,370 09
East Texas Conference.....	334 97	South Georgia Conference.....	6,429 41
Florida Conference.....	703 75	Southwest Missouri Conference..	3,605 14
Holston Conference.....	2,940 18	St. Louis Conference.....	1,468 92
Indian Mission Conference.....	136 55	Tennessee Conference.....	4,277 25
Kentucky Conference.....	2,555 29	Texas Conference.....	1,313 35
Little Rock Conference.....	757 86	Virginia Conference.....	6,172 88
Los Angeles Conference.....	327 71	West Texas Conference.....	291 96
Louisiana Conference.....	542 85	Western Conference.....	90 86
Louisville Conference.....	2,983 72	Western North Carolina Conf....	3,196 66
Memphis Conference.....	3,415 59	Western Virginia Conference.....	878 21
Mexican Border Mission Conf...	13 80	White River Conference.....	968 71
Mississippi Conference.....	986 21	Miscellaneous.....	303 30
Missouri Conference.....	2,207 14	Memorial Fund.....	69 80
North Alabama Conference.....	2,029 39		
North Carolina Conference.....	3,380 79	Total this year.....	\$82,880 47
North Georgia Conference.....	9,224 08	Total last year.....	74,403 16
North Mississippi.....	4,411 88		
North Texas Conference.....	1,302 '94	Increase.....	\$ 8,477 31

RECEIPTS SINCE ORGANIZATION.

Received for the fiscal year 1878-79.....			\$ 4,104 27
“ “ 1879-80.....			13,775 97
“ “ 1880-81.....			19,362 10
“ “ 1881-82.....			25,609 44
“ “ 1882-83.....			29,647 31
“ “ 1883-84.....			38,873 52
“ “ 1884-85.....			52,652 12
“ “ 1885-86.....			51,588 76
“ “ 1886-87.....			50,092 63
“ “ 1887-88.....			69,729 65
“ “ 1888-89.....			68,165 34
“ “ 1889-90.....			75,476 54
“ “ 1890-91.....			85,969 44
“ “ 1891-92.....			66,448 59
“ “ 1892-93.....			71,199 12
“ “ 1893-94.....			66,377 90
“ “ 1894-95.....			63,951 98
“ “ 1895-96.....			74,403 16
“ “ 1896-97.....			82,880 47
Received for Training School, 1889-97.....			117,449 04
Total.....			\$1,127,757 35

WOMAN'S PARSONAGE AND HOME MISSION SOCIETY

OF THE METHODIST EPISCOPAL CHURCH, SOUTH.

Parsonages aided by Central Committee, from 1886 to 1896, 170.		
In Loans	\$15,590 00	
In Donations	28,915 63	
Total in Loans and Donations	\$44,505 63	
Parsonages aided by Conference Societies, 339.		
Donations by Conference Societies	20,950 00	
Parsonages aided by Auxiliaries, not reported above, 206.		
Amount donated by Auxiliaries	24,643 83	
Total number of Parsonages aided from all sources, 715.		
Total amount of money expended on Parsonages from all sources.	\$90,099 46	

Money Raised and Expended Since Organization.

CONNECTIONAL WORK.	LOCAL WORK.
1887	\$ 261 55
1887-88	3,837 51
1888-89	4,258 40
1889-90	2,954 88
1890-91	4,361 48
1891-92	3,727 51
1892-93	4,628 20
1893-94	4,995 37
1894 95	10,377 64
1895-96	19,301 72
Total	\$58,704 26
Grand total	\$179,048 95

WOMAN'S PARSONAGE LOAN FUND.

NAME OF LOAN FUND.	When Con-tributed.	Amount Contributed.	Interest Earned	Present Capital.	Total Loans.	No. of Loans.
1. Preachers' Wives.....	1887-97	\$ 4,265 50	\$915 70	\$ 5,181 26	\$ 8,490 00	30
2. Harriet C. Hargrove.....	1895-96	2,000 00	22 50	2,022 50	2,100 00	5
3. Jane W. Barker.....	1896	1,000 00	.....	1,000 00	1,000 00	2
4. Angel Band.....	1888-97	1,260 00	36 00	1,296 00	1,150 00	5
5. Werlein	1895-96	1,000 00	10 00	1,010 00	1,000 00	3
6. Uncompleted Funds (Watkins and Mayhew).....	1895-97	1,000 00	.....	1,000 00	.....	.....
7. Bishop and Mrs. Linus Parker.....	1896-97	250 00	.....	250 00	.....	.....
8. Lucinda B. Helm.....	1896	250 00	.....	250 00	.....	.....
Total to March 31, 1897.....	.....	\$11,025 50	\$984 26	\$12,009 76	\$13,740 00	45
Total to March 31, 1896.....	.....	8,487 60	733 49	9,221 09	9,290 00	32
Increase, March 31, 1896, to March 31, 1897.....	.....	\$ 2,537 90	\$250 77	\$ 2,788 67	\$ 4,450 00	13

Property Owned by the Woman's Parsonage and Home Mission Society.

School for Cubans, at Tampa, Fla.....	\$ 7,000 00
Sue Bennett Memorial School, London, Ky., for Mountaineers	20,000 00
Industrial School and Home for Orphans, Greeneville, Tenn.....	7,000 00
Rescue Home, at Dallas, Tex.....	10,000 00
Total.....	\$44,000 00

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DEATH ROLL FOR THE CONFERENCE YEAR 1897.

Name.	Conference.	Memoir Page.
Akers, Jefferson D.....	Holston.....	70
Albea, William W.....	Western North Carolina.....	125
Batten, William H.....	White River.....	150
Bellinger, Lucius S.....	South Carolina.....	188
Black, W. A.....	Louisville.....	46
Black, William S.....	North Carolina.....	164
Blake, Edwin L. T.....	Florida.....	205
Bonner, W. N.....	East Texas.....	201
Boteler, John Wesley.....	Baltimore.....	6
Braswell, Jacob A.....	North Mis-issippi.....	178
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 Clemens H C
 Clendenen D C
 Clendenen M L *sup*
 Cook J C
 Crockett W C
 Crumley F D *dec*
 Cunningham J R
sup
 Cunnyngham WGE
sup'd
 Dame J D
 Darr J A *sup'd*
 Davis J A *sup*
 Davis J B *sup*
 Dawn W H *sup*
 Delashmit L C *sup'd*
 Dickey J P *sup*
 Doane W P *sup'd*
 Draper G B
 Duncan J A
 Duvall J A
 Dyer W M
 Early J A
 Ellison J A
 Eskridge T J
 Fisher C C *tr f*
 Fogleman J E
 Fogleman W I
 Frazier J B
 Frazier J T
 French G D
 French J S
 Glenn T F *tr f*
 Grace F M
 Gny J T
 Hall S H
 Handy T R
 Hash J F
 Hawk D E
 Haynes L K *sup'd*
 Hearon D S
 Henderson W H
 Hickey R M *sup'd*
 Hicks W C
 Hicks W W
 Hickson J D
 Hobbs J N *sup'd*
 Hobbs R H
 Horton B C *sup'd*
 Hoss E E
 Houk S E
 Huddleston L R
 Hughes J E
 Hunter A B
 Hunter J R
 Hurley D P
 Jackson A N
 Jackson F
 Jackson G W
 Jackson R F
 James C M
 Johnson H S
 Johnson T S
 Jones C O
 Jones J F
 Jones W L
 Jordan T A
 Kaile E F

Keith J H
 Kelly C W
 Kelly R A
 Kelly W H *sup'd*
 Kennedy J H
 Kennedy J S
 Kincaid A *sup*
 Kinzer P P
 Little L H
 Long S D
 Lowry J E
 Lyons J A
 Mahoney J
 Maiden G A
 Maiden J M
 Maness J C
 Martin I P
 McAlister J D
 McCanless S A *dis*
 McCary F T
 McCracken D
 McDowell R T
 McPherson S T M
 Miller C K *sup'd*
 Mitchell M D
 Mitchell W D
 Moreland G M *sup'd*
 Moore E W
 Morrell W M
 Mort E W
 Munsey I N
 Naff J E
 Neal H C
 Neel J S W
 Neighbors W S
 Newberry W Wis-
 dom
 Nnckolls B F *sup*
 Orr J C
 Owen R A
 Painter C E
 Parrott J H
 Patton W L
 Paxton J M
 Payne J R *sup'd*
 Peery J B
 Perkins J A L *sup*
 Perry J W
 Pickens C M
 Prater J L
 Pressly G W
 Price R N
 Price W H *sup*
 Pyott W W
 Rader J W
 Repass J W
 Richardson F
 Robeson W *sup'd*
 Robertson W *sup'd*
 Romans J M *sup'd*
 Rowland W R
 Runyan J C
 Shngart E A
 Shuler J A H
 Shuler J W W
 Shuler T C
 Simpson J B
 Smith J *sup'd*
 Smith J W
 Smith R E
 Snyder W R
 Sorrell W L
 Spring J E
 Steele C E
 Strader T D
 Stradley C L
 Stradley J R *sup*
 Straley J O
 Stewart A D
 Sullins D
 Summers G W
 Snnmitt J H
 Sutherland R K
 Suthers T F
 Swaim M P *sup'd*
 Swecker J E
 Taylor J W
 Thomas W A
 Thompson B
 Thorn A S

Threadgill F F
Tow A H
Troy W H
True H A
Umberger R S
Vaught S B
Wagner W N
Walker E W
Walker J R
Walker R M
Walker R W
Wampler J F
Ward J B
Waterhouse R G
Waugh H P *sup'd*
Weatherly S S
Webb R T
Weber J L
Wolfe J E
Wolfe J K
Wolfe J M
Wolfe J R
Woodward A E *sup'd*
Woodward E N
Woosley J
Wysor M J
York D V

SUPPLIES:

Allison R K
Cross J B
Johnson G M

Illinois.....41-43

Allen J N
Blaylock W D
Bostwick H W
Brewer R J
Brown J D R
Brown W R
Burford G M
Campbell R B *tr t*
Carpenter R C
Charlton H J
Clark W C
Clark W H
Clawson G T
Clendening A C
Craig J N
Crooks J D
Crooks E B
Crump R J *tr t*
Cunningham W H
Deming H D
Denton J C
Durard M M
Garrett J E
Hails S T
Haynes J G
Hess C L
Hocker A D
Holt R P *sup'd*
Howell R P
Jones G W
Lawrence L F
Lavender T B
Lewis I H
Loyall J T
Mathis W T
Nelson J R
Nelson W H
Nesbitt W M
Ogden J W
Pressly C J
Purdie J F
Reed H *sup*
Ressiter T A
Rogers A F *sup'd*
Rogers O T
Rogers T
Rubush G W
Smith C S *sup*
Spenny W
Strout H T
Swift W A
Tatum F W
Toole W M *dec*
Watts R J

Wells R J *loc*
Westcott J W
Whisnant W
Woodward J E

SUPPLIES:

Belt A R
Sherwood E C

Indian Mission.....92-93

Amos Luther J *tr f*
Atkins G W *sup'd*
Atkins J P
Atkins P C
Avery A N
Avery W H
Baird J V
Beicher A M
Blackwell J B
Bond F A
Bradshaw J H
Bragg N E
Brewer T F
Brewer W A
Briggs A C
Brown J H
Buck William
Buffington John O
Buntler M L
Cameron E D
Carter I M
Cavener J C
Chenoweth E B
Clark M A
Cobb L W
Cook A S *tr f*
Coppedge C M
Cowart J W *sup'd*
Damou G W
Derrick W S
Disch J E
Dycus E F
Edwards J D
Enochs K S
Fannin F H
Florence J K
Folsom W F *dec*
Forrester J G
Fowler J C
Full W
Gage J L
Galloway A T
Godfrey J H
Goode H H
Grinstead R H
Gross J M
Hall J T
Hamilton J M C
Hargraves L J
Hartsfield B J
Haun I R *tr t, loc*
Haygood A S J
Hickman I B
Hicks P B
Hilderbrand B J
Hively J M
Hodnett W F *tr f*
Holland J W
Homer A H
Hunkapiller A B L
Hutson W A
Jamison G W
Jimboy W
Keener J L *tr f*
Kinzer T H
Lamar J S
Linebaugh M L
Lloyd J W
Long M D
Lovett J E
Lovett J J
Maberry F C
McElhannan J
McElhannan M K
McCann J B
McKenzie E T
McKinney W H
McManama B *tr t*

McWhorter P T
Mener J H
Methvin J J
Miller A K
Mitchell C F
Moon W B
Moon J N
Monguer W H
Moore F M
Myatt C W
Naylor F
Noble O P
O'Bryant J W
Palmer P M
Parks J A
Pickens A C
Pipkin Thomas P
Pipkin W P *tr f*
Pope S L
Pope Wm M
Porter J M
Prim T H
Randle W A
Ray C Q
Ray J M
Ray G F
Ray G H
Roberts C F
Robertson J B
Rodgers J D
Rowan J A
Russell J M
Sauls W D
Sawyer G W
Seivally J C
Scott J W *dis*
Scruggs H B
Shaffer D E *loc*
Shanks F E
Shanks T O
Shay O
Shearer M W *tr t*
Sherwood J F
Simms W J
Stegall B F
Stone J H
Storey H A *tr f*
Stuckey L H
Sturgeon M
Thomas J M *dis*
Thompson J F
Thornton W R
Thurston L L
Trickey J A
Viek J E
Wagnon J F *sup*
Walker J H *sup'd*
Whelan M W
Whitehurst Z B
Williams J *tr t, tr f*
Williams A S
Worley A J
Yelton J L

SUPPLIES:

Armbly C M
Brightman W S
Calvert L V
Clifton C A
Cowan R A
Crosby R A
Cummins R W
Davis A
Duncan W A
Folsom S
French J W
Garrett E M
Grayson G
Gregory N G
Hall C J
Jennings W B
Jordan J W
Kanimubie B
Leming E M
Little T
McKinney E T
McKinney T R
Mullins D D
Nichols W A

Oslin S J
Peacock E M
Slah M
Smith P A
Tobly W
Wallace E C
Williams J B

Japan Mission.....60-61

Ashida K
Callahan W J
Davis W A
Haden T H
Hager S E
Hirosuke M
Hori M
Kogoro U
Lambuth W R
Meyers J T
Mito K
Moseley C B
Namio Y
Newton J C C
Nishikawa N
Ota G
Takahashi Y
Tanaka Y
Towson W E
Turner W P
Uley N W *tr f*
Wainwright S H
Wakatsu I
Waters B W
Weakley W R
Yoshihiro T
Yoshikuni Y
Yoshioka Y
Zeunosuke T *dis*

SUPPLY:

Naramatsu T

Kentucky.....35-41

Allen E
Arnold W E *sup*
BaIRD R B
Barker T W
Bedinger D E
Benton W T
Bogges O
Bolling W T *tr t, tr f*
Boswell C E
Boswell G W
Britt W M
Bromley C A
Buffington G N *sup*
Burger H T *tr f*
Carrier S M
Chamberlain W W
sup'd
Chandler M T
Chandler O J
Chatham B F
Clark J L
Clark M S
Clark W L
Clay C W
Cook T B
Cooper D B
Cooper W A
Cosby B F
Crates J W
Crutchefield G W
Darlington U W
Daughettec V B *sup'd*
Deering J R
Deering S S *sup'd*
Dennis W K
Dickey J J *sup*
Ditzler W H *sup*
Dodd T J
Doran W J
Eklar W T
Evans C F *tr t*
Fisher C C *tr t*
Fizer J T J
Froh G

Gardiner J W
Godbey E H
Godbey J J
Godbey T J
Green W W
Grinstead W S
Harris J W
Henderson H G
Hill F M
Hiner M W
Hiner R *sup'd*
Hoffman P H *sup'd*
Holmes E E
Hughes J W
Humphrey C M
Ison J N
Johnson J M
Johnson J J
Jones A P
Jones Fred B
Lancaster B E
Lee R M
Mann E G B
Mann L E
Matthews J M
Means G H
McClure E A
McIntyre F T
Mills H R
Minor J C *sup*
Mitchell J W
Moore H O *tr f*
Moore M F
Morgan M P *sup'd*
Muse B K *dis*
Nelson J R
Noland F W *sup*
Nugent C J
Oney C F
Pearce E H
Peoples J R
Peoples S W
Penn W A
Poage G B *sup*
Pollitt F S
Pollitt S H
PoPe C *tr f*
Ragan G G *sup'd*
Ragan J S
Ragan W B
Rand J
Rapp George E
Reid A
Reid J D
Reeves J
Robertson D W
Ross P J
Rowland W T
Savage E C
Savage F A
Savage G S
Savage J R
Sawyer J A
Selby W L
Shoemith W
Simpson J W
Sims J S
Snively W J *sup'd*
Southgate E L
Spates W E
Speer S W *sup'd*
Strother J P
Struve F K
Taliaferro T F
Taylor C *dec*
Taylor W F
Terrill E J
Turner H G
Vaughan W F
Vaught J O A
Walker H P *sup'd*
Walker J S *sup*
Wallace L G
Ware D P
Watts T W
Welburn D *dec*
Welburn W D
West J L
Wightman R H
Williams J H

Wilson J M *loc*
 Winter W H *sup'd*
 Word J R
 Wright H C
 Wright James E
 Wright Julius E
 Wyatt W F
 Young G W

SUPPLIES:

Eversole P C
 Gordon W P
 Pike E K
 Purdum E
 Taylor W S

Little Rock.....160-164

Adams W C
 Atehley R C *sup'd*
 Avery A *sup'd*
 Beard E L
 Berry J W
 Blakely J H *sup'd*
 Boggs W E *tr f*
 Bolis D
 Bond J J
 Bradford J H
 Brewer F N
 Brooch R L
 Browning W H *sup'd*
 Burlison J Z
 Caldwell J E *sup'd*
 Cameron G E
 Canfield F R
 Carr J F
 Cason J R
 Christie W W
 Christmas J Y
 Cline J M *sup'd*
 Cline J W *tr f*
 Corrigan M B *tr t*
 Crowson W M
 Cummins J H
 Daly L M
 Davis W J
 Dean S A
 Dickerson J R
 Doak F P
 Dodson K W
 Douglas J M G
 Drake C W
 Dunn J D
 Evans A O
 Evans W F
 Few B A
 Garrett E
 Glass J H
 Godbey J E
 Goddard O E *tr f*
 Godden C C
 Gold J H *sup*
 Green C J
 Harrell F F
 Harrell J W
 Harrison W R
 Hawkins J S *tr t*
 Hawley J M
 Hawley L B
 Hearson W J
 Henderson J A
 Hill G M
 Hill S A *sup*
 Hilliard W C
 Hunter A *sup'd*
 Jenkins A D
 Johnson B G *sup'd*
 Johnston J L
 Jones G C
 Jones J R
 Keadle O H
 Kelley A C
 Locke W T
 Logan G W
 Logan G L
 Manville M W
 Matthews G W *sup'd*
 McClintock R A
 McKay R W

McKelvey J H
 McKinnon H D
 Meswain C D
 Mellard J J
 Mennefee J J
 Mills W W
 Moore J R
 Moore R R
 Nelson W W
 Nicholson J S *sup'd*
 Owen T O
 Parker J A
 Pattillo C E
 Pipkin E M
 Pope C *tr t*
 Powell L M
 Poynter R H
 Raiford R J
 Rainey S W
 Rhodes J C
 Riggley J H
 Robertson A M
 Rogers W J
 Rorie T O
 Rowland R G
 Rushing J R
 Sage J A
 Sanders J R
 Saunders R H *dec*
 Scott B F
 Scott T D
 Scott W J *sup'd*
 Shaw A M
 Shaw J T *dec*
 Sherwood J R
 Steel E R
 Steel W A
 Sturgis J M D
 Taylor J F
 Thomas James
 Thomasson N T *tr f*
 Townsend E A
 Townsend H *sup*
 Turrentine A
 Twitty S R
 Vantrease J W
 Walsh J O
 Ware T H
 Warlick D D
 Watson E N *sup'd*
 Watson H H
 Watson W C
 Whaley W P
 White B A
 White J W
 Whiteside J D
 Williams J *tr t, tr f*
 Williams J B
 Wilson B F *dec*
 Wilson E F
 Wilson L C
 Winfield A B *sup'd*
 Withers H R *sup'd*
 Workman J M
 Wozeneraft L C
 Wozeneraft R L

SUPPLIES.

Beardslee J
 Boone L
 Bruce H M
 Colquette D H
 Dodson T E
 Harris H M
 Martin B F
 Miller J T
 Ross R N
 Sorrells J D

Los Angeles.....65-67

Adams A *sup'd*
 Adkisson A
 Allen J W
 Balaam Rufus C
 Brunk W W
 Christian H C *tr t*
 Duke T L
 Hamilton W

Harbin A V
 Harper E J
 Hedgepeth L J *sup'd*
 Hoag C W *tr t*
 Kenny J J N
 McCausland C L *tr t*
 Oats Q A
 Perry C S
 Rowland R A
 Sharbrough M B
 Thomasson N T *tr t*
 Thompson C
 Thornton J T
 Walker S W
 Weems J M
 Whisnant W L
 Wilkinson G H
 Wright C C *sup'd*

SUPPLIES:

Forbes R T
 Wright J A
 Wright R

Louisiana.....216-225

Adkinson C D
 Ahrens H H *loc*
 Akin W E
 Alford E L
 Alford J M
 Andes G D
 Armstrong H
 Banks H M
 Barr D C
 Beall S B
 Bennett J O
 Benton W H
 Bloeker R M
 Bogan S S
 Boltz H J
 Bronson I L
 Brown J H
 Brown J M
 Brown Paul M
 Carter C W
 Carter T
 Cassidy J B
 Clarke W A
 Collier R S
 Cornell N S
 Crews B T
 Davies S J
 Davis J W
 Davis R A
 Densen E T *dis*
 Densen J E
 Dillenweirth P H *dec*
 Drake W W
 Etheridge J M
 Evans E N
 Evans W G
 Faunt Le Roy T K
 Fontaine P H *tr f*
 Foster J F
 Foust E B *sup'd*
 Fulton J *dec*
 Godfrey C R *sup'd*
 Grace R C
 Haney J P
 Harp R J
 Harper J D
 Harvell W R
 Hatfield W H
 Henderson W F
 Henry J M
 Herbert M
 Hill W H
 Hocutt F G
 Hoffpanir J I
 Holliday S S
 Howell R P
 Isbell R S
 Jackson G *sup'd*
 Jackson L F *tr f*
 Jenkins M G
 Johns H S
 Johnson M F
 Johnston J M
 Johnston P A *sup'd*

Keener C *dec*
 Keener S S
 Kelly J J
 Kent J B
 Kent J W
 Knickerbocker H W
 Knickerbocker P R
 Lallance T L *tr f*
 La Prade W H
 Ledbetter H W
 Lee J W
 Lowry P O
 Luster T A
 Lutz A S
 Lyons C M *loc*
 Manly M C *sup'd*
 Martin J M
 May H W
 McClendon T H
 MeVoy A D
 Miller C C
 Miller J A *sup'd*
 Montgomery C R *tr f*
 Montgomery J H
 Moore W
 Munnholland C T
 Nielle A S J
 Notestine A J
 Parker F N
 Parker F S
 Parker G D
 Parker J A
 Patterson J F
 Pierce J L
 Porter J W
 Pureell G D
 Randle R
 Randle R W *dis*
 Randle T S *sup'd*
 Reams I F
 Reed L A
 Rickey H W
 Riggs E E
 Roberts N J
 Roberts W J
 Roy J R *tr f*
 Sanders J S
 Sawyer J T
 Schmhle W
 Scurlock J F
 Sheppard B H
 Sheppard J L P
 Singleton H R
 Skipper V D
 Sligh J C
 Staples C F
 Stowe J H *sup'd*
 Sweeny F N
 Thomason H B
 Trippett R S *sup'd*
 Tucker R W
 Turner A W
 Upton J T
 Van Valkenburg F D
 Van Valkenburg W B
 Vaughan R W
 Wafer T M
 Walker J B *dec*
 Whatley S H
 White B F
 White H O
 White T B *sup'd*
 Whitley I H
 Wier C C
 Williams J B
 Wilson E
 Woodward W T
 Wright B *tr t*
 Wright J L *sup'd*
 Wynn J F
 Wynn R H
 Yancey E W *dec*

SUPPLIES:

Denson E T
 Franklin J M
 Garrett G W
 Hamil W L

Hughes H L
 Posey O M
 White G T

Louisville.....44-49

Alexander G
 Alexander R C
 Allen S C
 Appling T M *sup*
 Areley W P
 Ashbrook S F
 Atkinson B F
 Barber T F
 Barrett A E
 Bennett E R
 Bennett R D
 Biggs B F
 Bigham J W
 Black C C *tr f*
 Black W A *dec*
 Boggers C Y *sup'd*
 Boggess E D
 Bottomley E W
 Bowles D L
 Brandon B A
 Brandon J C
 Brandon W C
 Breeding S K
 Briggs G W
 Browder L W
 Browder R W
 Brown J L
 Burkholder J C
 Campbell D S
 Campbell L E
 Campbell E B *tr f*
 Campbell T J
 Cashman W F
 Chandler James S
 Chandler Joseph S
 Chapman M B
 Cherry J T
 Collie D L
 Corbin W E
 Coward S L C *tr t*
 Crandell J S
 Crandell J R
 Crandell T L
 Crowe C R
 Crowe E M
 Crowe E P
 Crowe J W
 Cundiff B A
 Cundiff G F
 Davenport W T
 Davis P H
 Davison L B
 De Witt J F *sup'd*
 Dempsey J R *sup'd*
 Dennis G W *sup'd*
 Dowell E V
 Duvall P C
 Edrington J L
 Elgin V
 Emerson I W
 Everett G M
 Foote U G
 Ford H M *dec*
 Ford W F
 Fosskett G E
 Fraser A G
 Fraser J D
 Freeman J G *tr t*
 Frogg T C *sup'd*
 Galloway J B
 Gentle A C
 Gibbons E M
 Gilliam J D
 Givan S
 Godbey W R
 Hall S X *dec*
 Hamblen W *sup'd*
 Hardison P T
 Harralson E
 Harrison T G
 Hartford C F
 Hayes G H
 Hayes R F
 Hayes W C

Hesson C W	Thompson S J	Holder A C	Thogmorton J C	Chambers J W
Hogard W F <i>sup'd</i>	Vreeland W Q <i>tr f</i>	Hood R W	Thogmorton P G	Cooper I W
Hulse T L	Waggoner W R	Humphrey R E	Tolley H H	Cowan J M <i>sup</i>
Hunter M M	Walton D F	Humphreys V D	Treadwell J E <i>sup'd</i>	Crisler J W
Hynes W A	Ward C D	Humphreys W E	Turner H J <i>sup'd</i>	Crossley C M
Johnson R	Watson J U <i>sup'd</i>	James D J	Vaughan R M	Crymes J D
Joiner T V	Wilson G Y	Jennings J H	Walker R M	Dawson W J
Kilgore J L	Williams C F	Jenkins W D	Ward L T	Donner R B
King G S		Jewell S E	Warren C B <i>dis</i>	Drake J P
King J E	SUPPLIES:	Johnson D C	Warterfield C A	Du Bose H M
King P L	Bowles J	Johnson H C	Waters J W	Edgar E F
Kiser W W	Lovell J E	Johnson W C	Waters N R	Ellis D G W <i>sup'd</i>
Lamhuth W W <i>sup'd</i>	Sharp W P	Johnston H B	Waters W C	Ellis G R
Lawson J M	Toler T J	Jones A B <i>tr t</i>	Weaver J L	Ellis H M
Lee S L		Jones J E	Weaver S <i>sup</i>	Ellis J C
Lewis F E	Memphis.....96-101	Jones J G	West R L	Ellis J D
Lewis J A	Acuff W F <i>tr t</i>	Joyner J W	Wheeler A J <i>loc</i>	Emery C F
Lewis J W	Adams W W	Key H W <i>loc</i>	Wiggins J T	Evans C C
Litchfield A D	Armstrong W W	King R M	Wilkes T N	Evans J H <i>sup'd</i>
Love J W	Banks G W	Knight J B	Williams S H <i>loc</i>	Featherstin H W
Love R C	Barrier W F	Lee N W	Wilson A R	Ferguson W G
Lovelace S H	Barton G M	Love S B	Wilson G W	Ferrer G
Luey W B	Baskerville G B	Lowrance J W <i>tr t, tr f</i>	Wilson J C	Flowers E A <i>sup'd</i>
Lyon A P	Bell C C	Maddox A D	Witt J H	Foreman J H
Lyon G W	Bell J R	Mahon R H	Witt R P	Forsythe W G
Lyon W E	Bezzo A H	Manley E R	Young W T C	Gale R S
McAfee J R	Blackmon B F	Martin G H		Galloway J G
McConnell R T	Blackwell R Y	Matthews W B <i>sup</i>	Mez. Bor. Mis.....85-87	Galloway G H
McCormick J T	Boswell T L <i>sup'd</i>	Manldin C J	Aeosta J	Gatlin H A
McDaniel J S	Bransford E K <i>tr t</i>	Maxedon T F	Armentariz P M	Golden J J
McFerrin J P	Brassfield R E	Maxwell J M	<i>sup'd</i>	Griffin W T
Mell A L	Brooks Cleanth	McGill T J	Cardenas A A	Guice D F
Metcalf E N	Brooks G K	McLemore B S	Carler D W	Guice G A
Miller W T	Brooks H W	Meaders A J	Castra J	Hardin P D
Mitchell F A	Brooks I	Mecooy W J	Chavez E	Harmon J W <i>sup'd</i>
Mitchell J S	Burks J G	Midyett W M	Chavez J M <i>dec</i>	Harmon G S
Moore H D	Carl J F	Moody J A	De Leon A	Harmon N B
Morris T H	Carl J S	Mooney W	Del Valle T	Harris H J <i>sup'd</i>
Morrison H C	Carlton W J <i>tr f</i>	Moore A C	Escalante I	Hawkins H G
Morton D	Cason J C	Moore W Jr	Galvan F N	Hines W B <i>sup'd</i>
Murrell J L	Cason T F	Moore W Sr	Gomez L	Holland J H
Needham G	Clark J G	Moss J <i>sup</i>	Grado P	Holloman T B
Newton S	Clark T P	Murray W	Grimes J W <i>sup</i>	Howard P <i>sup'd</i>
Orr B F	Cole J H <i>dec</i>	Nance R W	Hosel A <i>loc</i>	Howell H D
Overton G B	Coleman C A	Naylor W J	Joyner N E <i>tr</i>	Howse P H
Pangburn G W	Collins J T C <i>sup'd</i>	New J B	Mercado J t	Huf G W
Pate E E	Cook W A	Newell T J	Osuna J A	Hull G M
Payne C R	Dalias A L	Newsom R W	Quesenberry C J	Hunnient W L C
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Piner W K	Duggins O H	Peebles B F	San Miguel M D	Jones L J
Pope S P	Dungan W A	Peebles G T	Soto B	Jones L S
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Shelley S G	Hamil J M	Sears A N <i>sup'd</i>		Moore H J
Shemwell R W	Hamilton E E <i>sup'd</i>	Sellers W C <i>sup'd</i>		Moore J A
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Sigler J D	Hamner W F	Smart R D		Moore W W
Smith C Y	Hardin J R	Stem Asa F		Morse J M
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Smithson J O	Harris E S	Stratton T S		Nieholsan A B <i>sup'd</i>
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Tabor U S	Hefly W G	Taylor R V <i>sup</i>		Parker J S
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Riddle J E
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Callahan J M
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Hall L C *dis*
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Hardin M C
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Houston J D *sup'd*
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Hubbard J H
Hunt J D
Hurley C W
Jackson J H
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Johnson S W
Jones L W *loc*
Kendall T R *sup'd*
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Kerlin R T
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Kindred J C
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Morgan E C
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Nolan J P *dec*
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Packard W F

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Parvin W J
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Sharp T E
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Stanley E J
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Gladney L L
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Govett W A
Hodgson M
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Lallance T L *tr t*
Lebritton Ed
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Menefee C J
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Boyd G E
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Brandon F W
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Hewitt G L
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Hope W B
Horton W O
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 Morris J T
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 Williams M J loc
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 Thomas M C sup'd
 Thompson B C
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 Tuttle D H
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Tyer A P
 Underwood J E
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 Bond W M D sup'd
 Bonnell W B
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 Bradley H S Jr
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 Branham W R Jr
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 Bryan J S
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 Carlton W J tr t
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 Cary C
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 Glenn W F
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 Harris S A
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 Morris J V M
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 Myers J N
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 Neese L P
 Newton H M *sup'd*
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 Rivers L W
 Rivers W P *sup'd*
 Roberts J W
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 Rogers R W
 Rogers T W
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 Searey B P
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 Shankle A G
 Sharp J A

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 Sibley R R
 Simmons O C
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 Singleton W L
 Smith F R
 Smith G G *sup'd*
 Smith H M
 Snow J N
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 Bradley J M
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 Brooks J J

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 Brown S A
 Browning W T
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 Butler T N *dis*
 Calloway R C
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 Dye T W
 Eakes H D *dis*
 Ellis S A *sup'd*
 Evans J F
 Evans R M
 Fly M D
 Foster A J
 Foster T L *sup'd*
 Foust D C
 Freeman T G
 Fullilove B P
 Gaines H T
 Garner J J
 Geddie D M
 Gibbs H P
 Gladney R H B
 Gordon G W
 Goar R P
 Graves W L
 Grisham C C
 Hampton J M *sup'd*
 Harris J B
 Harris W C
 Harrison K M
 Harrison W S *sup'd*
 Honnoll J W
 Honnoll M H
 Howell J T *dec*
 Huggin J M
 Jacob B P
 Jacobs G H
 Johnson E
 Johnson J *sup'd*
 Jones A J *sup'd*
 Jones K A
 Kendall A
 King J R D
 Klein G A
 Lagrone W S
 Langley A W
 Lawson R S
 Leech A P
 Leech J A
 Lester W C
 Lewis E S
 Lewis T W
 Lipscomb G H
 Lipscomb L M
 Lowe J C
 Lowrance J W *tr f*
 Luter J W *dec*
 Malone J W
 Massey J M
 McCallough W D
 McGee J W
 McIntosh W M
 Meek R A
 Mimms J C

Mitchell J B
 Mitchell J H
 Mitchell W W
 Moorehead H C
 Moose J M
 Moss C P
 Murrah J P
 Murrah J T
 Murrah W B
 Myers S B
 Newsom J D *sup'd*
 Oakley J S
 O'Bryant W J
 Park J C
 Patterson B P
 Phillips B F
 Pittman C H
 Poc J A
 Porter J
 Porter R G
 Poston J W *sup'd*
 Price J W
 Rainey W R *sup'd*
 Ramsey J W
 Ransney T Y
 Randolph J A
 Raper J W
 Ravner B S
 Richey J
 Rogers J H
 Rogers W F
 Rook E H
 Sage A P
 Sanders W H
 Sayage O L
 Shipman W S
 Shumaker J H
 Smith J H
 Spragins C A *tr f*
 Spragins H S
 Staudefer R M
 Steel S A
 Stone J B
 Sullivan B R
 Sullivan W T J
 Terry C N *sup'd*
 Thames S M
 Thomas J E
 Treadwell J W
 Tucker E A
 Tucker H R
 Tucker R A
 Tunlin M E
 Whitson F A
 Wier T C
 Williams W R
 Williams W W
 Wilson J A
 Wilson J R
 Woodard W W
 Worsham L D
 Wyatt J M
 Young H M
 Young W M

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Barrantine J H
 Davis W T
 Derritt J T
 Freeman E B
 Gray B C
 McGee J W
 McKeown L A
 Mitchell A H
 Morehead G L
 Parrott H C
 Pittman J W
 Sanders J L
 Simpson J D
 Sullivan E C
 Wood W A

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 Adair J B
 Adams G H
 Alderson E W
 Alderson J F
 Allen J R

Angell J L *sup'd*
 Archer J F
 Archer P C
 Ashburn I S
 Ashburn S A
 Aston D H
 Atchley J R
 Ballard C L *tr t*
 Ball S L
 Barton L S
 Bass J H *tr f*
 Bayless W B
 Beckham J W
 Beckham T J
 Binkley J M
 Black J A
 Blackburn J W
 Blackburn M C *sup*
 Bloodworth J T
 Bloodworth W J
 Boyd G F
 Brewer A H *sup'd*
 Brown D T
 Brown R N
 Brown W H
 Broyles L M *tr t*
 Bryan W F
 Bryant R F
 Carroll F B *sup'd*
 Carter C B
 Casey E H
 Chalk J S *sup'd*
 Chalk S S *sup'd*
 Clark I W
 Clark J J
 Clark W F
 Clifton J W
 Clifton W L *sup'd*
 Coppedge I J
 Coppedge W A
 Corry C A
 Crutchfield I N *tr t*
 Crutchfield J E
 Crutchfield S
 Davis C C
 Davis W R *sup'd*
 Day G W
 Dennis C W
 Dunn M M
 Eaglebarger P R
 Edwards E R
 Edwards P A
 Edwards W A
 Fields R H
 Fladger C B
 Fontaine O C
 Fuller D F
 Gibson A W
 Glenville C W
 Gober J B
 Gorsline R S
 Gorette C H
 Graves Joel S
 Hanson L A
 Harless C M
 Harriss W T
 Harrison L W *sup'd*
 Hay W *sup*
 Hendrix A F
 Hicks R C
 Hill J W
 Hill M D
 Hines M P
 Hudgins J D
 Huffman B G
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 Hunter J H *sup'd*
 Hunter J N
 Hussey A H
 Jamieson H L
 Johnston M B
 Jordan W E
 Kerr J A
 Kirk T M
 Lamb G E
 Lane R *sup'd*
 Langston J M
 Leatherwood W M
sup
 Little N C

Lively L P <i>sup'd</i>	Weaver J C	Crockett J D	Maxwell E J	Walker J E
Lowry J P	Weaver S	Cronin R J <i>tr t, tr f</i>	McCarver C S	Walker J H
Martin D J	Webb A	Crutchfield I N <i>tr f</i>	McCullough W S P	Walker R A
McCarter W R	Webster B H	Culbertson A T	McKeon W B	Walkup J A
McDugald J <i>sup'd</i>	White J H	Curry W N	McLaughlin N M	Walkup J E
McIntyre R L	Whitehead J D	Daniel C W	Meador C B	Wallace J A
McLean J H	Williams C C	Davis A <i>sup'd</i>	Melgin W T <i>tr f</i>	Wallace E R
McWhirter C I	Williams D A	Davis C	Miller J G	Watts J H
Miller F O	Williams E S	Davis J J <i>sup'd</i>	Mills I L	West C D
Miller S W	Wood I B <i>tr t, tr f</i>	Davis J S	Mills M	Wheeler J P
Miller T L <i>sup'd</i>	Woodward I M	Davis M R T	Mitchell F T <i>sup'd</i>	White G W
Minnis J B	Wright W H	Dennis L W <i>dec</i>	Moody M L	White Jas L
Minnis T J	Wyatt J A	Dickinson J W	Moody M W <i>dis</i>	Whitehurst J A
Mood Robert G		Dorman W W	Moon R D	Whitten T G
Moore J	N. W. Mex. Miss.....75	Duncan J	Montgomery J W	Wilson G D
Morris J L	Acosta D F	Duncan T J	<i>sup</i>	Wilson W B
Morris T H	Arango J F	Dunn R F	Morgan D <i>sup'd</i>	Winburne F M
Morrow W T	Bustamente J	Edwards W P	Morris I Z T	Wiseman J H
Mountcastle W D	Bustamente M M	Elder J B	Morris J R	Wright C R
Murphy J W <i>sup</i>	Carbin J F	Ellis D C	Morris R M	Wright S P
Nash A R	De la Garza M <i>loc</i>	Ellis R A	Morriss S <i>sup'd</i>	Wyatt G S
Nangle L L	Dilley S V <i>tr f</i>	Enstace R O	Moss W H	Wynne J M
Neely M H <i>tr t</i>	Elliott R C	Evans C A	Monzon E D	Yell M <i>dec</i>
Niehols J M	Fitzgerald J H <i>tr t</i>	Evans R B	Munger H L	Young C W
Norwood T B	Hernandez H C	Fair G F	Mussett J P	Young R B
Old J A	Kilgore S G <i>sup'd</i>	Ferguson C N N	Nance G A	
Owby S M	Padier F	Field C S	Neal J F <i>sup</i>	SUPPLIES:
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Palmer L F	Quiñones E	Fort J W	Nelson J R	Bowden J W
Patterson W B	Reynolds L <i>tr t</i>	Freeman J G <i>tr f</i>	Odom J D	Clark L A
Patterson W R	Vasquez P	Gallagher C E	Oswalt C V	Jackson F
Pearson F C <i>dec</i>	Villareal M <i>loc</i>	Gallaway R V	Owens G W	McKeown J T
Peterson J M		Garvin W P	Peeler J <i>sup'd</i>	Moore J C
Pierce J F	N. W. Texas.....112-119	Gassaway B F <i>sup</i>	Powell J <i>sup'd</i>	Richardson S
Pierce T R	Adams W M <i>loc</i>	Gay Sannel	Price W <i>sup'd</i>	Robeson T F
Pipkin T P <i>tr t, tr f</i>	Addison O M <i>sup'd</i>	Gilleland W A	Putnam J G	Wheeler J P
Pirtle H M	Addison J W	Glass H M <i>sup'd</i>	Raseoc J T	
Pirtle S P	Agee H K	Graves W F <i>sup'd</i>	Ray F P <i>sup'd</i>	Pacific.....51-56
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Powers R M <i>dec</i>	Annis J T L <i>sup'd</i>	Griswold J T	Reeves I N <i>sup'd</i>	Allen R F
Pryor W C	Armstrong E L	Hall J R B	Roberts A B	Andrews W P
Rabb J B <i>sup'd</i>	<i>sup'd</i>	Hall R A	Robinson W D	Archer G W
Rainey R G <i>sup'd</i>	Armstrong J M	Hallenbeck M L	Rogers L G	Armstrong W M
Randle J R <i>sup'd</i>	Armstrong R C	Haralson J	Rogers M W	Atkinson T A
Rankin G C	Armstrong T S	Hardy B	Rogers T W <i>sup'd</i>	Austin W B
Read N B	Bachman J W R	Hardy G S	Rowland C <i>sup'd</i>	Atkinson T A
Read W P <i>dec</i>	Bailey E A	Harris G W	Rucker S J	Bain J W <i>tr t</i>
Renfro S H <i>tr t</i>	Baker J M	Harris J J	Ruffner J A	Batchelor J A
Reynolds J H	Ballard C L <i>tr f</i>	Harris W H	Sandel G E	Baner D
Riddle S C	Barens J M	Harris W L <i>sup'd</i>	Sawyer S B	Bangh G
Rippey W M P <i>tr t</i>	Barens J S	Harrison E T	Scott S S <i>sup'd</i>	Beasley R F
Roach John E	Barens S A	Hawkins M E	Sensabaugh O F	Black C C <i>tr t</i>
Robbins W M	Bates E T	Hay S R	Sherman J M	Blankenship P N
Roberts E G	Belborn R W <i>sup'd</i>	Hayes W M	Shrader H P	Booker W A
Rogers J P	Bennett N B	Heizer R S	Shutt C G	Brown J M
Rosser F A	Bishop H	Hendrickson J D	Simmons E W	Brown S <i>dec</i>
Rowlett J W	Bloodworth J T	Henson J R	<i>sup'd</i>	Bnie J
Roy J R <i>tr t</i>	Boone E F	Hightower E	Simpson W K	Burris B F <i>sup'd</i>
Scllars A R <i>sup'd</i>	Boaz H A	Hightower I E	Slover G S	Carpenter J E
Sexton G S	Bolton R R	Hilburn T B	Smith A P	Carpenter J E
Shearer M W <i>tr f</i>	Bond J M	Hilburn W C	Smith C H	Clark C E
Sherwood T E <i>dec</i>	Bonier R B	Hodge G H	Smith M M	Coffin W F
Shuffler C M	Boone E F	Hollers J L	Snoddy B A	Cooper W H
Sims J B	Bourland H A	Hollingsworth W C	Snow W J <i>tr f</i>	Coppage J O
Smith H E	Bransford E K <i>tr f</i>	Holmes D T <i>sup'd</i>	South H W <i>sup'd</i>	Curran H W
Smith I S	Braswell J H	Hotchkiss M S	Stark D C	Emery J
Smith J R	Brown C E	Huckabee J S	Statham C E	Few A P
Smith L P	Browning C L	Hudson M H	Steele J R	Finley J G F <i>tr t</i>
Smith M A	Burkhead S E	Hulse J P <i>sup'd</i>	Stephens B M	Finley W A
Smith P L	Byrd R F	Hyder J A	Stephens J E	Frazier G H
Spragins C A <i>tr t</i>	Cain L W	Irvin C W	Stewart J H	Guell J S <i>sup'd</i>
Spruok E L	Cameron C S	Irvin G J	Stoekton W R D <i>dec</i>	Green L A
Stafford J A	Campbell James	Jackson B F <i>sup</i>	Story H A <i>tr t</i>	Greene B H
Stephenson W H	Canaffax J J	Johnson W D	Story J W	Hannon J
Strother W K	Caperton W E	Jolly H C <i>tr t</i>	Summers G C	Hargis L D <i>sup'd</i>
Stuekey W L	Carlton L W	Jones W V	Sweet E M <i>sup'd</i>	Hedgepeth J
Sullivan J A	Carpenter J <i>sup'd</i>	Jordan C D <i>dec</i>	Swofford-GW <i>sup'd</i>	Honck J D F
Sweeton J M	Carraway A E	Keen N A	Terry W H	Howard B C <i>sup'd</i>
Thomas I A	Carter J C	Kiker O P	Thomas B J H	Hunsaker A L <i>sup</i>
Thomas O S	Caton E T <i>tr t</i>	Kizziar J W	Tooley L B	Hyden J C
Thomasson B A	Chambliss J H	Lane W M	Tooley R J	Lamar C R
Thompson E B	Chapman J S	Lemons W J	Trimble J H	Lee A F <i>sup'd</i>
Threadgill C M	Childress W L	Lindsey C E	Tunnell J S	Lindsey W A
Tincher J W	Clark G S	Lipscomb A P	Turner S W	Mahon W J
Vanhan H H	Collins L F <i>sup'd</i>	Little M K	Van Zandt K S	McKnight H M
Vinson J E	Cooper C M <i>tr t</i>	Littlepage S C	Vanhan S C	McWhorter E H
Wages J R	Cox E V	Lloyd W F	Vanhan S J	Meredith H C
Wages W H	Crawford W H	Long A	Vanhan W H	Montgomery CR <i>tr t</i>
Walker W B <i>loc</i>		Major M H	Waddill A W	Neate H
Weeks T N <i>tr t</i>		Matthews W H	Wagner B R	Needham Z J

Newton G H *sup*
 Odum A
 Page P F
 Parker J M
 Paul A L
 Pendergrast J C
 Phillips W E
 Pratt J M
 Ramey P T
 Ray J W
 Reeve S T
 Renfro L C
 Rice D M *sup'd*
 Riddick C B *tr t*
 Roberts J F
 Robertson E H *dec*
 Russell B H *dec*
 Sawrie R A
 Shelton J G *dec*
 Shipley J A G
 Simmons J C
 Smith C E W
 Smith L C
 Squires J E
 Staton F M
 Steele C O
 Taylor W D
 Vaughn W E *tr t*
 Walters A F W
 Wilson R P
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 Anderson J F
 Archer E L *loc*
 Ariail J W
 Ariail W H
 Attaway A M *sup*
 Attaway A W *loc*
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 Attaway J P
 Auld F *sup'd*
 Raker W B
 Ballenger N G
 Banks M L Jr
 Banks M L Sr *sup'd*
 Barber R W
 Barre W E
 Bays H W
 Beard J E
 Brasley J S
 Beaty L F
 Beckham E H
 Beckwith J G
 Bedenbaugh L L
 Bellingler L S *dec*
 Berry A F
 Best A H
 Bethea S J
 Betts W A
 Bissell J C *sup'd*
 Blackman S T
 Booth S H
 Boulware R C
 Boyd D P
 Boyd G M
 Brabham M M *sup'd*
 Browne H B
 Browne S H *sup'd*
 Brunson A N
 Burns C B
 Calhoun D A
 Campbell J A
 Campbell J B
 Carlisle J E
 Carlisle J M *sup'd*
 Carlisle M L
 Carson W *sup'd*
 Cauthen A J Sr
 Chandler J C
 Child R A
 Chreitzberg A M *sup'd*

Clarke W A *sup'd*
 Clarkon G F
 Clifton J A
 Clyde C H
 Clyde T J
 Copeland J R
 Counts J C
 Creighton C W
 Croust J D
 Dagnall R R
 Daniel J L
 Daniel J W
 Daniel W W
 Dantzler D D
 Dantzler D Z
 Darby O A *sup'd*
 Dargam M
 Davis G W
 Davis J C
 Dent T M
 Dickson J W
 Dowell W J
 Du Bose R M
 Duffie R L *sup'd*
 Duncan W B
 Duncan W M
 Duncan W T
 Dunlap A T
 Du Rant O L
 Earle A B
 Elkins J W
 Elwell S P H
 Faurey W A
 Ferguson M M *sup*
 Few R A *dec*
 Fridy J M
 Frierson J D
 Gatlin G W
 Goodwin W S
 Grier B M
 Grier J E
 Hamer L M *sup'd*
 Harden W M
 Harley J L
 Harmon G T
 Harper S B
 Harris J B
 Henry S W
 Herbert C C
 Herbert T G Jr
 Herbert T G Sr *sup*
 Herbert W I
 Hodges E T
 Hodges W H
 Holler A S
 Holroyd R L
 Hook M W
 Hucks D
 Hutson E P
 Humbert J W
 Inabinet L L
 Ingraham P B
 Ison J N
 Jackson A W *sup'd*
 Johnson L A *sup'd*
 Jones E S
 Jones R H
 Jones S *sup'd*
 Jones W W
 Justus W B
 Keller D W
 Kelley M B
 Kelley W A Jr
 Kilgo J W
 Kilgo P F
 Kirkland W C
 Kirton P L
 Kirton W H
 Kistler P F *sup'd*
 Landers S
 Lawder J M
 Leonard G C
 Leslie A S
 Lester A H *dec*
 Ligon T C
 Loyal L C *sup'd*
 Loyless E B
 Mahaffey J E
 Manning J *sup*
 Martin W S

Mason E W
 Mussabeau W A
 McCain J K
 McFarlane Allan
 McKissick E M
 McLeod D M
 McRoy R C
 Meadows W P
 Milton N K
 Miller W H
 Mood H M *dec*
 Mood R E
 Mood W W *dec*
 Moore E K
 Morris T E
 Monzon H C
 Munnerlyn T W *sup'd*
 Murray P A
 Neeley J W
 Nettles S A
 Neville J J *sup'd*
 Newberry L J *sup'd*
 Noland J H
 O'Dell T C
 Owen J
 Pate J T
 Patrick D A
 Patterson W C *sup'd*
 Phillips A R
 Phillips D A
 Phillips T P *sup'd*
 Pike J M *tr t, loc*
 Pitts W A
 Pooser G H
 Pooser M H
 Porter J A *sup'd*
 Porter J S
 Power W C
 Price E G
 Ray J L
 Rice J A
 Richardson W R
 Robertson B M
 Rogers J M *sup*
 Rogers W A
 Roper J C
 Rountree O M
 Rushton J E
 Shaffer G R
 Shell J W
 Shuler F H
 Sifly J L *sup'd*
 Smith C B
 Smith J F *sup'd*
 Snyder W J
 Sojourner J R
 Speake J W
 Speer T
 Spigner R W
 Staekhouse R E
 Stafford A J
 Steadman J M
 Stevenson J J
 Stokes A J
 Stokes G E
 Stokes Henry VIII
 Stokes J L
 Stokes P
 Stokes W S
 Stoll J C
 Taylor E P
 Thacker J H
 Thrower W H
 Tiller D
 Traywick J B
 Turnipseed R E
 Vaughan S D
 Waddell G H
 Wait W L
 Walker A C
 Walker A W *sup'd*
 Walker G W
 Wannamaker T E *sup*
 Watson A B
 Watson E O
 Watson G P
 Way J F
 Weber S A
 Wells P P

Wharton W B
 White J A
 White T J
 Whittaker G R
 Wiggins C E *sup'd*
 Wiggin W E
 Wilkes E A
 Williams W W
 Wilson J B
 Willson J O
 Winn W C
 Wood J A *sup'd*
 Workman J J *sup'd*
 Wright W A
 Wroton W H
 Yongue R A
 Zimmerman S H

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Abney J C
 Bailey S D
 Belvin T L
 Buchanan W R
 Byrd M N
 Campbell E S
 Creech S T
 Harris J W
 Holley J C
 Humphries R W
 James E Z
 Jones Sam
 McFarlane J T
 Mullinix J L
 Patrick W T
 Shell J M
 Stone I N
 Strickland J E
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 Ainsworth W N
 Allison L R
 Allison R M
 Anthony B
 Anthony J D *sup'd*
 Arnold J W
 Arnold W E
 Anstin J M *sup'd*
 Bailey R E
 Baker W S *sup'd*
 Bales B F
 Ballard L J
 Bass J M
 Bateman D D
 Bazemore A H
 Beals M F
 Bearden W F *sup'd*
 Blich W M
 Boland C E
 Boland J M
 Boothie R M
 Bradley R E
 Branch C H
 Branch F A
 Branch J O
 Branch O W *loc*
 Brewton H C
 Brewton W C
 Brown S W
 Build W H
 Bureh E J *loc*
 Burke J W *dec*
 Bush H
 Carey I F
 Carr J
 Chester O B
 Childress G W
 Childs S G *sup'd*
 Choate C E
 Christian T M
 Christian T T
 Clark C T
 Clark W T
 Clements E E

Colson L W
 Conley W M C
 Counors J W
 Cook E F
 Cook J O A
 Cook O F
 Cowart J
 Crawley C E
 Crow J M *tr t, loc*
 Crumpler P H *sup'd*
 Darley T W
 Dickinson J P
 Dixon R M
 Domingos J W
 Downman C E
 Eads F M C *tr t*
 Edmondson R A
 Ellis T D
 Ellis T W
 Ernest C G *sup*
 Fain R P
 Felder H R *sup'd*
 Fentresse H C
 Ferrell M B
 Fisher G
 Flanders J C
 Flanders F W *sup'd*
 Flanders W J
 Foster J M
 Foy J W
 Fretwell P Z *dis*
 Funderburk J S
 Giles J J *dec*
 Glenn J M
 Glenn W C
 Griffith I F
 Griner J B
 Griner J C
 Harmon J A
 Harris P C *sup'd*
 Harrison J G
 Haskell C T *dis*
 Hill L A
 Hines C C
 Hinton J W
 Hixon W F
 Hoyle S C
 Huckabee W A
 Jackson C A
 Johnston G S
 Johnston J B
 Jones H C
 Jones W C
 Jordan J S
 Kelly A
 Kelly H
 Kemp T B
 Kerr R
 Lane W
 Langston W
 Lanier T B *sup'd*
 Ledbetter C M
 Leonard T K *dec*
 Lewis J S
 Lewis L O
 Littlejohn C W
 Lovett J M
 Lovett W C
 Mallory W A *loc*
 Martin G H
 Mather J H
 Mathews G W
 McCollough F
 MacDonnell G G N
 MacDonnell Geo N
 McGeehe E H
 McGeehe J B
 McGregor W D
 McMichael T R
 McMichael W T *sup'd*
 McWilliams D R *sup'd*
 Miles D F
 Mims J T
 Moore C A
 Morgan A F
 Morgan M A
 Morrison H M
 Mumford W E

Myers H P
 Nease T I
 Nease W J
 Norman R R
 Outler I H
 Owen R *sup'd*
 Padriek E L
 Rafford N T
 Parker J C
 Payne L B *sup'd*
 Peek T J
 Peoples L U *dis*
 Phillips E D
 Phillips M A
 Pierson H L
 Pinson W W *tr t*
 Pournelle G P
 Rast J L
 Ratcliffe F A
 Read K
 Reviere G P
 Rider J T
 Riley B F
 Roberts G T
 Roberts W F *sup'd*
 Robertson W J
 Rogers S W
 Rose E E
 Rustin J M
 Saunders E A *sup*
 Sernggs I H
 Seals W W
 Sentell B S
 Shirah J
 Simmons J W
 Smith J A
 Smith W F
 Snider J D
 Snow C W
 Stallings W J
 Stanford T B
 St Clair F F
 Stewart W T
 Stewart W W
 Stokes F L
 Strong T D
 Stubbs H
 Thomas G W
 Thomas J A
 Thomas W H *sup'd*
 Thomson T H
 Thompson G C *sup*
 Thompson J A
 Thrower O A
 Tidwell W W *sup'd*
 Tinley J W
 Tucker E S
 Tyson Isaac P
 Twitty P S
 Wade W C
 Wardlaw J P
 Wesley R M
 Weston J M
 Whiting E M
 Whittington B E
 Wiggins R L
 Williams A M
 Williams T
 Williamson R F *sup*
 Wooten W L
 Wray J E
 Wright E M
 Wynn A M

SUPPLIES:

Austin M C
 Bryan J M
 Cashwell G B
 Davis S J
 Drake T F
 Farris J W
 Fretwell P Z
 Kemp S S
 King W A
 Lowe C G
 Pharr G W
 Ross R B
 Tippens J U
 Waters I E
 Wells J W

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Adkisson M *sup'd*
 Allen H C
 Alexander J E
 Alsup B F
 Alton B V
 Alton T W
 Alpers H
 Anderson H L
 Anderson L
 Appleby A B
 Appleby M
 Armstrong H *dis*
 Auld N A
 Bahrenburg M
 Barnaby J P *sup'd*
 Barnes A H
 Barrett W P
 Beasley W G
 Berry D A
 Bewley W M
 Biggs C H
 Bishop C M
 Blevans J L *Dsup'd*
 Boag A *loc*
 Bond J W *sup'd*
 Bonrland S O
 Briggs C H
 Briggs W F
 Brown S J
 Brown W J *sup'd*
 Bruce W A
 Bruner C
 Buekner W P
 Caldwell J P *sup'd*
 Chaney J A
 Clark J M
 Clark L F
 Clayton S P
 Cleuny C
 Cobb T M *sup'd*
 Cobb T P
 Cobb W B
 Coffelt T A
 Coffett J C
 Crnm H
 Crutsinger V M
 Darby M L
 Davidson A B
 Denny J H
 Diggs J C
 Dinwiddie A G
 Donaldson A B *tr t*
 Dowdy N M
 Downing L R
 Duren M *sup*
 Eastwood W T *sup*
 Ellis J B
 Ellis L B
 Emmons C A
 Ezell J W
 Favis A R
 Flummer R G
 Franklin C
 Gill W T
 Ginn E Y
 Given J C
 Godhey A H
 Green G H
 Hagler J L
 Hamilton C G
 Hargis J R
 Harney J E
 Harris T B
 Hawkins C M
 Hedges J R
 Henderson A N *loc*
 Hill J J
 Hill W C
 Hogan J F
 Houston A L
 Howard C C
 Howell J W
 Hoyle J M L
 Huggins J N
 Hunter R S
 James A N
 Jared J A
 Jarvis R E L

Kellar J J
 Kenney A M
 Kenney J A
 King J
 Kyle R J
 Landreth J B *sup'd*
 Lewis J A
 Lewis W W
 Long P
 Longacre I W
 Lopp S
 Matthews J A
 Matthews W D
 McAllister W M
 McClanahan W A
 McClure W T
 McCrory J
 McCullough A J *tr f*
 McDonald J E
 McFarland W B
sup'd
 McGuire W L
 McPherson H C
 Mitchell J G L
 Moore A G
 Moore C W
 Morgan W B
 Nelson R J *sup*
 Norfleet L P
 Owen W P *tr t, tr f*
 Patison A
 Payne T D
 Pearce L W *sup'd*
 Phillips L M
 Pike J F
 Pike W G
 Proctor J M *sup'd*
 Protsman W M
sup'd
 Puckett T C
 Pugh M M *sup'd*
 Pugsley C
 Pureell J W
 Pyles R L
 Rader A M *sup'd*
 Rader W M
 Reed J J
 Robb J F
 Scrivener C N
 Shaekleford J C
sup'd
 Shook J
 Snow W J *tr t*
 Spencer J *sup'd*
 Spiess H
 Steel B H *sup*
 Stewart W D *sup'd*
 Stouffer C L
 Stringfield T J *sup'd*
 Strong J R
 Suddath W H
 Sullins J L
 Swanson J R
 Swanson J T
 Swift J A *sup'd*
 Vandiver L H
 Vivan O E
 Wagoner W F
 Watts H N *sup'd*
 Wellborn S G
 White W K
 Winton W H
 Wolfe E K
 Wood J D *tr f*
 Woodard W S *sup'd*
 Woods C C
 Wright G R

SUPPLIES:

Barlow J W
 Jones G M
 Pryor J F
 Smith G P

 St. Louis.....61-65
 Acuff W F *tr f*
 Aspley L F
 Atkinson R E

Barnhouse W T
 Batten J L
 Beard J L
 Berryman J C *sup'd*
 Biffle S C
 Boehm J C L
 Bowling J L
 Burton C
 Cagle C M
 Carlisle W
 Chappell E B
 Chew R F
 Clayton T H
 Coker A S
 Cole L T
 Collins J A
 Comer J F
 Cunningham V B
loc
 Davenport C M
 Davis L H
 DeVinney C E *sup'd*
 Dickson J K F
 Dodson J B
 Doherty J D
 Donnan W Q
 Eaker F
 Early J H
 Eddleman J R
 Emory S W
 England J M
 Enoch W C *sup'd*
 Eure H M
 Finney T M
 Freer W M *tr f*
 Gibson W P *sup'd*
 Glass T W *loc*
 Gray C M
 Green A J
 Halliburton O G
 Haltom A D *tr t*
 Hanesworth H *tr f*
 Haw M T
 Headlee J H *sup'd*
 Henry N B
 Heys W J
 Hill F R Jr
 Hill T P
 Humphreys W A
 Jenkinson H L
 Johnson A C
 Keithley J W
 Kennedy R D
 King J M
 Lee J W
 Lee L M
 Lewis J W *dec*
 Lewis W H
 Lord T
 Lowe W
 Marchinan C P
 Matthews J
 Matthews J K
 Mays W R
 McCann Z T
 Messiek B M
 Mills C S *tr f*
 Moore J M
 Moore M H
 Moore T H
 Moss W W
 Nichol L D
 North W B
 Oliver J W *tr f*
 Pasehal W H
 Paseow W
 Patty W B
 Phillips O H
 Pinnell L L
 Rennison C L
 Richmond S *sup'd*
 Rinkle E J
 Robinson A M
 Robinson J W
 Russell A H
 Russell J A
 Russell R L
 Saffold A P
 Seay J B
 Singleton H R

Smith C L
 Smith H A
 Stephan J
 Talley W F
 Talwell A T *sup'd*
 Triplett J F
 Triplett T L
 Tyler W S
 Utery J
 Velvick W J
 Walton R
 Werlein S H
 Whitehead H *tr f*
 Wilkerson R *tr t*
 Williams A R
 Worsnop J W *tr t*

SUPPLIES:

Barrett David E
 Buff H A
 Carty J J
 Chasteen N C
 Cooksey T C
 Davis L H
 Hancock T J
 Hogan E S
 Holland W M
 King W L
 Mauk L R
 Nelson J
 Newberry M S
 Ownby R M
 Parsons G E
 Ray B F
 Reddick R M
 Reed R D
 Riley J W
 Rose P
 Simpson J C
 Stukenbraker J F
 Thomas E L
 Upton S J

Tennessee.....76-83

Alford F E
 Amis L R
 Anderson G W
 Anderson J B *sup'd*
 Baird S C
 Baird W H
 Baker T J
 Barbee J D
 Barker S N
 Beale G L
 Beasley J F
 Beasley W H
 Berry U N M
 Blackwood J G
 Blackwood J T
 Blanton G W
 Blanton J O
 Bline H B
 Booker J W
 Bouldin W
 Bransford S W
 Bridges J A
 Brown E W
 Brown R K
 Bryan L C *sup'd*
 Byrne G D
 Byrom G S
 Bumpus J F
 Carden T A
 Charles M W
 Chienault J L
 Chienault R M *sup'd*
 Cherry J W
 Cherry S M
 Cherry S M Jr
 Cherry W D
 Clement A E
 Clendenin T R
 Cobb P L
 Coleman D B
 Coleman F H
 Collier W J
 Cook W T S
 Cotton W H

Coney A C
 Craig R J
 Cullom J W
 Cullom T S
 Curry J T
 Darnell T L
 Davidson R B
 Dickson A H
 Dodson B W
 Dorris W G *sup'd*
 Doss W H
 Doyle A M *dis*
 Duncan J T
 Dye W T
 Erwin J B
 Enbank G E
 Ezell A M *sup'd*
 Fain S L
 Fairies J W
 Ferrell B F *sup'd*
 Fisher T B
 Ford M N
 Freeman P D
 Freeman W T
 Freer W M
 Funk J P
 Gabard C S
 Gannaway R P *sup'd*
 Gardner P D
 Gaston B J *sup'd*
 Gibson J G *sup'd*
 Gilbert J W
 Gilbert W H
 Goodloe A T
 Goodloe J R
 Graves W W
 Gray R P
 Green W M
 Gregory E L
 Guinn G D *sup'd*
 Haggard R M *sup'd*
 Haggard W T
 Handlin J N
 Hanner J W Jr
 Harrell E M
 Harris J R
 Hart W T
 Harwell W S
 Hatcher J W
 Haynes B F
 Hensley G L
 Hensley J W
 Herriges C E
 Hickam I W
 Hill O P
 Hinson J G
 Hinson T H
 Holmes J R
 Hudgens R H
 Isom B F
 Ivie H J *sup'd*
 Jackson G P
 Jackson W L
 Jarratt W V
 Jarvis H M
 Johnson B H
 Johnson F W
 Johnson P G
 Johnson W H *dec*
 Johnson W H
 Jones J N
 Jones R R
 Jordan J B
 Jordan J M
 Keithley J C
 Keithley S M
 Keithley W R
 Kelley D C
 Kellum J L
 Kennedy H S *sup'd*
 Kerley T A
 Klyce W H
 Leath W A
 Ledbetter H S *sup'd*
 Lee J K
 Lovell W H
 Lowry W B
 Lusby W A
 Mabry M J
 Marks T B *sup*

Martin G W *dec*
 Massey J D
 McBride H S
 McClanahan A J
 McFerrin A P
 McFerrin J A
 McNeill H B
 McPeak G B
 Molloy J G
 Moody T L
 Moores Z W
 Morelock J F
 Morgan G A
 Morris J C
 Myers J C
 Nichols J H
 Noland T W
 Oakley J M
 Orman J A
 Owings N B S
 Patterson J A
 Pitts J J
 Powell L
 Powers W F
 Proctor D J
 Putman J C *sup'd*
 Ransom J C
 Ransom R P *dec*
 Ragsdale T C
 Ray J H
 Reagin J R
 Reams A H *sup*
 Reams H B
 Rector G C *tr t*
 Reeves J R
 Rice J G
 Rice J S
 Riffin W H *sup'd*
 Roberts J C
 Rowland M C
 Sanders G M
 Seay R W
 Shasteen S J *dec*
 Shaw J J
 Smith J W
 Smotherman B T
 Smotherman J L
 Sowell P A
 Stellar E A
 Stewart J R
 Stuart W J
 Stone N R
 Stowe J J
 Strayhorn J H *sup'd*
 Taylor G W
 Taylor N B
 Taylor W B
 Teague J L
 Terrill J M *tr f*
 Thompson J R *sup*
 Thompson S G
 Timmon J F
 Tracy J T
 Travis R E
 Trawick A M
 Tucker M R *sup'd*
 Turner W A
 Wade C R
 Walker A P
 Walkup W J
 Warren W R *sup'd*
 Wasson S E
 Weakley W
 Webster J
 Wendel W D
 White E W *sup'd*
 Williams J R
 Williams W H
 Wilson W F *tr f*
 Winford J
 Woods M P
 Woodward T H
 Young R A *sup'd*

SUPPLIES:
 Carver W A
 Coleman J R
 Gilbert B F
 Hensley B

Largent G H
 Liles F M
 Mollor J A
 Rochell B J
 Threadaway S G
 Ward P W
 Worsham R B

Texas.....182-187

Adams B W
 Adams J M
 Allen B W
 Allen F L
 Anderson A J
 Bergin J W
 Blackburn R T *loc*
 Blake T W *sup'd*
 Bracewell W C
 Bradford W D
 Briece I M
 Briggs R J
 Brinson W F
 Brooks C H
 Brooks W H
 Brown S P
 Cain T R
 Callaway J J
 Cameron A C
 Campbell W R
 Chambers S F
 Clothier G E *loc*
 Cochran J B
 Collins G H
 Crutehfield J M
 Cullen J W
 Daniel M F
 Davidson J H *sup'd*
 Davis L P
 Diehl M E
 Farrington C L
 Farre F O
 Garrett C B
 Gaskins W D
 Goodwyn A E
 Gordon I B
 Graves T B
 Green J E
 Guess B J
 Hammond F E
 Harmon J W
 Hart H T
 Haynie H M
 Hocutt E G
 Holt J W
 Hooper C A
 Horn J W
 Horner W W
 Hotchkiss D H
 Hotchkiss O T
 John I G *dec*
 Keith E C
 Kelley J W
 Kilgore James
 Kimbler H R
 Le Clere G A
 Lindsey M L
 Linebaugh D H
sup'd
 Massey J L
 McDonald W T
 McIver J A
 McLarty C U
 McMahan J W
 McShan F A *sup'd*
 Melgin W T *tr t*
 Mickle J C
 Moore J C
 Morgan S H
 Murray J R
 Myers E M
 Nélms W G *sup'd*
 Newsom E P
 Nunn R E *tr t*
 Nutter J B *loc*
 Osborne A T *tr f*
 Oxley C J *tr t*
 Phair G H
 Philpott H V *sup'd*
 Potts E A

Powell N
 Powledge G *sup'd*
 Ray G R
 Rector G C *tr f*
 Russell J L
 Sanel G S
 Sears H M
 Sears J B
 Shettles E L
 Simpson C E
 Skinner J P
 Smith E S
 Smith W *sup'd*
 Solomon E W
 Stewart J C
 Stovall G C *sup'd*
 Thomas S W
 Thompson C M
 Thompson J W
 Turner W K *sup'd*
 Ward S
 Warlick J R
 Washburn W E
 Wesson J M *sup'd*
 Williams H G
 Williford T S
 Willis H C
 Woosley R T
 Wootton W
 Yeats R L

SUPPLIES:
 Edgar W W
 Gardner D W
 Jordan J O
 Newberry G T
 True T K

Virginia.....101-112

Allen W E
 Amiss J H
 Anderson J M
 Askew J B
 Atwill W H
 Austin D B
 Babcock J O
 Bacon H T *sup'd*
 Bain W F *sup'd*
 Baker J W
 Banc C L
 Banks L L
 Bargamin V W
 Barrett R E
 Bates W G
 Battin S J
 Baughan R S
 Bayton T J *sup'd*
 Beadles R B
 Beadles R F
 Beauchamp W B
 Beckham B M
 Bell P M
 Bennett R H
 Bentley R E
 Berryman A C
 Betty L B
 Blankenship C E
 Blankenship R B
 Bledsoe J W
 Boggs C H
 Boggs W G
 Booker G E Jr
 Booker G E Sr
 Bosman J T
 Bowles H C *sup'd*
 Bradley P
 Brannin J F *sup'd*
 Bray J L
 Brooks J E
 Brown A G
 Brown H J
 Bullard W E
 Butruss F
 Burton J M
 Butts D G C
 Cain C W
 Campbell T H
 Camper W H *sup*

Cannon J Jr
 Carroll J W
 Carson A L
 Carson E V
 Chandler R M
 Cheatham H C
 Christian W A
 Clarke J L *sup'd*
 Clarke R T
 Clayton J K
 Clements P H
 Colonna M S Jr
 Colonna M S Sr
 Comer C F
 Compton R A
 Conrad W A S
 Crowley C D
 Crider J W *sup'd*
 Crocker W A *sup'd*
 Crooks R N *sup'd*
 Crowder W R
 Dadmur E T
 Davidson M A
 Davis F G
 Davis W F
 Day S W
 De Berry J C
 De Shazo J E
 Dey B
 Dey J B *sup'd*
 Drewry S R
 Driscoll A
 Dunkly H W
 Duke T P
 Dyer G W
 Early T H *sup*
 Edwards F M
 Edwards J J *sup'd*
 Edwards T O
 Edwards W E
 Edwards W H
 Elliott M S
 Evans W R
 Ferguson R
 Fernker J D
 Foushee N B
 Franklin A L
 Galloway C H
 Garner E F
 Garland J P
 Garland R C
 Gates J E *sup'd*
 Gayle R F
 Gibbs C T *dec*
 Gill J R
 Granbery J C Jr
 Grant W E
 Green C H
 Green W T
 Greene G F
 Gregory W H
 Griffith J R
 Hall A M *sup'd*
 Hall E F
 Hank J D
 Hardy P
 Harrell E E
 Harry J C
 Hatcher S C
 Hayes W F
 Haynes W T A
 Heckman J W
 Herrick B S
 Hitt L T
 Holiday C E
 Hope H M
 Hozier J D
 Hunter J S
 James C R
 James R G
 Jett W B
 Johnson H E
 Johnson S H
 Johnson T E
 Joliff J K
 Jones A A
 Jones G W
 Jordau A C
 Jordan E M *sup'd*
 Jordan W P

Judkins W E
 Kabler J H
 Lafferty J J
 Lambeth G H
 Lambeth S S
 Langley J D
 Latham J N
 Laughon W A *sup'd*
 Lavinder J B
 Lear W W
 Ledbetter B E
 Leftwich C W
 Lennon J G
 Lipscomb B F
 Littleton O
 Manning J *sup'd*
 Marks R H
 Martin H F B
 Martin O L
 Mastin J T
 Maxey R M
 McClelland J *sup'd*
 McFaden G H
 McGhee C H
 MeSparran F B
 MeSparran J E
 Merritt J B
 Mitchell H P *dec*
 Moore J T
 Moore J W
 Moore W E
 Moss J H
 Moss James O
 Moss John O
 Mullen R H
 Nicholson J W
 Pace W C
 Parham E P
 Parrish J W
 Payne J T
 Peerman E L
 Pell E L
 Peters J S
 Peterson E M *dec*
 Phaup L J
 Potts E A
 Potts J E
 Potts R H
 Potts T N
 Pribble J L
 Proctor F W
 Proctor J A *sup*
 Proctor J H *dec*
 Proctor W R
 Pruden N J
 Pullen T G
 Rawlings E H
 Ray G H
 Reed D W
 Reed J C
 Reed L S *sup'd*
 Rhodes J Q *sup*
 Rice A S J
 Riddiek J A *sup'd*
 Riddiek J E R
 Riddiek J H
 Riddiek W H
 Robertson N H
 Robins J W S
 Robinson W A *sup'd*
 Ronnten J T
 Rowe E H
 Royall W W
 Rucker McDaniel
 Saunders R M
 Sawyer W W
 Scott R B
 Sewell J T
 Shaekford J W
 Sharpe A B
 Shearer L C
 Simpson T M
 Smedd R N
 Smith A C
 Smith B F
 Smith G E B
 Smithy W R
 Southall W W *loc*
 Spencer J L
 Spooner G H

Starr W G
 Stevens E
 Stiff J W
 Sturgis J R
 Taylor T J
 Thomas J A
 Thompson W E
 Tillett W F
 Tompkins W A
 Traynham D J
 Tudor W V
 Turner C W
 Vaden W C
 Vanderslice G C
 Waggener J R *sup'd*
 Wallace D M *sup'd*
 Wallace J S
 Wamsley C S *sup'd*
 Ware W L
 Waterfield R T
 Watson J C
 Watts C E
 Watts R W
 Wertenbaker C C
 White J E
 Whitehead Paul
 Whittle J T
 Whitmore A A
 Wiley G H
 Williams C H
 Williams L T
 Williams M L
 Williams W J
 Williams W T
 Wilson R T
 Wingfield R L
 Winn J B
 Wise T P *dec*
 Woodward J P *sup'd*
 Wray G W
 Wray T J
 Wright W P
 Young W J
 Younger R H

SUPPLIES:

Burruss H
 Burton T
 Mower W D
 Webb R W

West Texas.....87-90

Adair R S
 Allen M J *sup'd*
 Allen M T
 Alexander J M
 Annis C F
 Baker J A
 Biggs A C
 Biggs J A
 Biggs W H H
 Biven W A *loc*
 Black M A
 Boggs W E *tr t*
 Bowen W A
 Brown A *sup'd*
 Buchanan F B
 Buck J E *tr t*
 Cox A F *dec*
 Denton E K
 Denton J F *sup'd*
 Dimmitt T F *sup'd*
 Drake S J
 Duval E G *sup'd*
 Elliott F H C
 Evans M
 Fisher S
 Francis M W
 Franks J J
 Galloway E B *sup'd*
 Gardner G M *loc*
 Gardner M S
 Garrett J P
 Gibbens J W
 Gibbons W F *loc*
 Gillett J S
 Gillett J T
 Godwin C W

Govett W A *tr t*
 Graham J T
 Gregory T
 Hammond J
 Harris B
 Harris H F *tr t*
 Harris N
 Harrison J E
 Hill H T
 Horton H G *sup'd*
 Johnson W J
 Joyce W J *sup'd*
 Keith N W *sup'd*
 Kennedy J L
 Killough W H
 King J A
 King J T
 Knickerbocker H D
 Leaton A M *sup'd*
 Lee T
 Liles Z V
 Linn J M
 Long J W
 Lowe J A *sup'd*
 Maloy C H
 Mathis L C
 McAllister D O
 McCann M J *tr t, dis*
 McCulloch A J *tr t*
 McGehee Frank L
 McKnight J C H *tr t*
 McManama B F *tr f*
 Miller J T H
 Mills C S
 Monk W *sup'd*
 Morris I T
 Napier I S
 Nolen A G *sup'd*
 Onderdonk F S *tr f*
 Park T
 Passmore B H
 Perkins C W
 Perrin F J
 Phillips J A
 Pierce R S *dis*
 Pinson W W *tr f*
 Renfro W T
 Riser M E
 Roach B C *tr t*
 Rogers J P *sup'd*
 Russell J C
 Scarborough A L
 Scott J D
 Shaw S G *sup'd*
 Shockley W M *sup'd*
 Shuford J M
 Shingart W O
 Sims J W
 Smelser J R
 Stanley J T
 Stovall J W
 Thomas V G
 Thompson N B
 Turner M A
 Waller I K
 Webb J F
 Williamson C
 Wilson A W
 Wilson J C
 Worrel J D
 Wright J A *sup'd*

SUPPLIES:

Biven W A
 Broyls J N
 Fred M K
 Graham H
 Greer B D D
 Gregg D A
 Vest J W

Western.....18-19

Blevans L A
 Boles C *sup'd*
 Bundy D E
 Cleaves J H
 Cook A S *tr t*
 Comer W H

Downs T C
 Faubion J W
 Hogan H D
 Kelley W D
 Martin W D
 McBee D R
 Miller H I
 Miller J L
 Owen J E
 Owen W P *tr f*
 Payne J W
 Roberson F D
 Sells J L
 Thorp C W
 Tillery J *sup'd*
 Torbett J H
 Vaughan W R
 Waldraven R U
 White F A

SUPPLIES:

Harris J D Jr
 Monroe H K
 Young W H H

W. N. Carolina...124-131

Abernethy J E
 Abernethy R S
 Ader O P
 Albee W W *dec*
 Anderson C M *sup'd*
 Arnold J D
 Atkins D
 Atkins H L
 Atkins James
 Bagby W M
 Bain E L
 Baldwin J A
 Barber S T
 Barnett W R *tr f*
 Barrin F G
 Bays W W
 Bird J W *sup'd*
 Blair H M
 Bogle L P
 Bonner T P
 Boone T A
 Borling W M
 Bowles J A
 Bowman J W
 Boyer H K
 Bradley F W
 Bradley J H
 Brendle J H
 Brooks J J
 Brooks J R
 Brothers C C
 Brower L M
 Bryant R F
 Buie J D
 Burrus A J
 Byrd C W
 Callahan G W
 Campbell C M
 Carpenter J B
 Carpenter J D
 Carraway P J
 Carver D F
 Cherry W S C
 Chreitzberg H F
 Clark J A
 Clegg J W
 Conan D H
 Cook J A
 Cooper W H *sup'd*
 Cordell L T
 Crater A A
 Craven J F *sup*
 Crawford L W
 Creasy W S
 Crowder E N
 Crowell G H
 Curtis W M
 Davis S M *sup'd*
 Dawson W L
 Detwiler G H *tr t*
 Dixon E W *sup*
 Douglas S P

Downum J M
 Durham P T *dis*
 Edles J J
 Edwards T H *sup'd*
 Ellington T S
 England J F
 Erwin Ira
 Falls L A
 Field M C
 Fitzgerald J H *tr f*
 Fry J A B
 Gantt A C
 Gasque S S
 Gay J E
 Gentry C M
 Gibson J D
 Gibson T F
 Giles M D
 Glenn T F *tr t*
 Gray J J
 Green J A
 Groome P L
 Hales W S
 Harley G G
 Hartsell J C *dec*
 Helsabeck S H *sup'd*
 Hilliard S H
 Holmes P
 Honeycutt W V
 Howie R S
 Hoyle M H
 Hoyle R M
 Ivey G W
 Jacobs A W
 Johnson L L
 Johnson T B
 Jones J W
 Jordan H H
 Kirby G F
 Launing J P
 Leith W H
 Lelyette W
 Litaker D M
 Little C G
 Long J R *sup*
 Lyda W B
 Lyon J T *tr t*
 Maloney W G
 Mann L T *tr f*
 Mansfield T W
 Marr T F
 Marsh V L
 McCurdy T B
 McGhee W P
 McLaunin W H L
 Merritt E M
 Mock J C
 Moore H O *tr t, sup*
 Moore J H
 Moose J R
 Myers E
 Nelson J S
 Nicholson W L
 Owen G J
 Owenby R L
 Paris Z
 Parker P E
 Parker R H
 Peeler J A
 Peeler S D *sup'd*
 Pegram T H
 Perry W H
 Pickens R W *sup'd*
 Plyler A W
 Poe E J
 Postelle J C
 Price J M
 Pusey E G
 Raper A S
 Renn J J
 Reynolds J P
 Richardson N R
 Robbins W M
 Roberts J W *dec*
 Rodgers J P
 Rogers T J
 Rowe G T
 Rowe J C
 Rush Z *sup'd*

Salzer T T
 Scales W Y
 Scarborough W B
 Scroggs J R
 Shelly J O
 Suelton R B
 Sherrill A
 Sherrill C F
 Sherrill M V *sup'd*
 Sherrill R D
 Sherrill W L
 Siler F *tr t*
 Smith L L
 Smith M A
 Smith T W
 Smoot T A
 Sprinkle R L *tr f*
 Sronce J A
 Stacey L E
 Stamey S D
 Steele M T
 Stephens R T N
 Stover J T
 Strider J W *tr f*
 Surratt A R
 Tabor J B
 Tate D P
 Taylor R M
 Taylor S
 Terrill P L
 Terrell J M *tr t*
 Thomas J C *sup'd*
 Thompson J E
 Townsend F L
 Triplett L H
 Triplett T L *sup'd*
 Troy J C *sup'd*
 Turner H
 Turrentine S B
 Tuttle R G
 Vestel M H
 Wagg T E
 Ware W R
 Weaver J H
 Webb R S
 West J H
 Wheeler J W *sup'd*
 Wiggins J A *sup'd*
 Wiley A E
 Wiley H F *sup'd*
 Willis W H
 Willson J *sup*
 Willson W C
 Wombles W F
 Wood C A
 Wood F H
 Woosley J E
 York B A

SUPPLIES:

Brown J C
 Brown S W

Butt J F
 Cordell Z V
 Curtis C H
 Farrington A J
 Fincher B F
 Long M H
 Peuland R H
 W. Virginia.....23-33
 Anderson C M
 Anderson J
 Austin W H
 Ball W B F
 Barrett J A H
 Bevis K J
 Bias E
 Bias R S
 Black S *sup'd*
 Boland J M
 Bowles M V
 Briscoe W *sup'd*
 Burns J H
 Bush D L
 Canfield F M
 Canter W I
 Carter J M
 Caton E F
 Chambers B S *sup'd*
 Claughton R A *sup'd*
 Coberly T J
 Coburn A J
 Coffman C N
 Cook C W *tr t, sup*
 Crites J W
 Crook Guy
 Crooks C F
 Crowe J M
 Davis B C
 Davis J B
 Dean C *sup*
 Donahoe S A
 Dowell C H
 Fannin I N
 Fitch E L
 Fitch R P
 Fingate W U *sup*
 Garrett J D
 George G W
 Given A
 Glover J W
 Goodpasture W A
 Gosling B F
 Graham M C
 Hammond A M
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