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# DAILY RECORD.

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## FIRST DAY—WEDNESDAY.

*September 28.*

The Kentucky Annual Conference of the Methodist Episcopal Church met at Maysville, Kentucky, at 9 o'clock A. M., Rev. Bishop S. M. Merrill, D. D., in the chair. The Bishop read the 47th chapter of Isaiah, and the 27th chapter of Matthew, and the 794th hymn: "Savior of all, to Thee we bow." After the singing the Conference was led in the celebration of the sacrament of the Lord's Supper by the Bishop, assisted by Bros. J. G. Bruce, H. J. Perry, D. Stevenson and A. J. Jutkins. Eighty ministers, and other persons, solemnly and joyfully partook of the emblems of the Savior's body and blood.

On the call of the roll the following-named brethren answered to their names: J. L. Albritton, H. W. Bailey, J. A. Boatman, A. Boreing, J. G. Bruce, W. B. Barnett, E. Barnes, M. L. Centers, W. H. Childers, J. M. Cook, J. D. Crenshaw, E. A. Davis, J. Y. Dobbins, E. D. Elliott, J. Foster, J. W. Franklin, R. G. Gardiner, J. P. Grinstead, T. F. Garrett, F. Grider, Silas Green, J. C. Gill, J. Godby, T. Hanford, E. B. Hill, J. A. Humphrey, W. C. S. Ingram, G. N. Jolly, A. J. Jutkins, R. D. Lashbrook, J. H. Lennin, M. D. Murphy, H. C. Northcott, H. Newman, J. M. Oliver, S. G. Pollard, E. C. Pollard, H. J. Perry, Wm. Powis, G. W. Rich, J. S. Ruggles, S. K. Ramey, H. J. Ramey, E. L. Sanders, S. W. Shelton, S. E. Steele, D. Stevenson, E. L. Shepard, Benj. A. Stubbins, J. S. Taylor, J. D. Walsh, W. R. Watson, B. F. Whiteman, J. D. Woods, V. T. Willis, J. W. Zimmerman.—56.

PROBATIONERS.—I. G. Zeigler, S. F. Kelley, R. T. Stevenson.—3.  
Benj. A. Stubbins was re-elected Secretary.

It was ordered that the hour of meeting should be 8.30 o'clock A. M., thirty minutes to be devoted to religious exercises.

The bar of the Conference was fixed.

It was ordered that the committees be appointed on the call of the districts, and the nomination of the presiding elders. The following were then appointed:

*Conference Stewards.*—S. E. Steele, W. C. S. Ingram, J. W. Franklin, J. Y. Dobbins, H. J. Perry, J. L. Albritton, and, on motion, A. Shinkle, B. P. Tevis, John Thomas were added to the Board, being laymen.

*Committee on Education.*—R. G. Gardiner, D. Stevenson, S. G. Pollard, J. D. Belt, H. Newman, A. Boreing.

*Committee on Conference Relations.*—M. L. Centers, H. Newman, Wm. Powis, W. R. Watson, A. J. Jutkins, T. F. Garrett.

*Committee on Temperance.*—W. H. Childers, E. D. Elliott, J. W. Zimmerman, R. T. Stevenson, S. W. Shelton, G. W. Rich.

*Committee on State of the Work.*—J. D. Crenshaw, E. L. Shepard, F. Grider, J. M. Oliver, E. Barnes, J. P. Grinstead.

*Committee on Public Worship.*—J. D. Walsh, E. L. Sanders.

*Committee on Bible Cause.*—H. W. Bailey, J. M. Cook, J. A. Humphrey, G. N. Jolly, J. P. Grinstead, J. W. Franklin.

*Committee on Books and Periodicals, including Book Concern Accounts.*—J. S. Taylor, S. W. Shelton, A. Boreing, S. F. Kelley, J. D. Crenshaw, T. Hanford.

*Sabbath Schools and Tracts.*—S. E. Steele, W. C. S. Ingram, J. D. Belt, J. A. Boatman, J. C. Gill, J. M. Oliver.

*Committee on Missions.*—The Presiding Elders.

*Committee on Freedmen's Aid.*—H. Newman, W. Powis, J. D. Woods, J. Godby, T. F. Garrett, I. G. Zeigler.

*Committee on Post-Offices.*—W. H. Childers.

*Committee on District Conference Records.*—G. W. Rich, W. H. Childers, T. Hanford.

*Auditing Committee.*—H. W. Bailey.

*Committee on Observance of the Sabbath.*—J. A. Humphrey, A. J. Jutkins, J. D. Woods, E. D. Elliott, S. F. Kelley, S. E. Steele.

*Committee on Memoirs.*—R. G. Gardiner, Silas Green.

On motion of J. G. Bruce, a special committee was appointed to prepare a suitable expression of the sense of the Conference, concerning the death of the late President J. A. Garfield, and of the late Bishop E. O. Haven, D. D. D. Stevenson, A. J. Jutkins, J. Y. Dobbins and J. G. Bruce were appointed.

*Committee on Mormonism.*—A. Boreing, W. C. S. Ingram, J. W. Franklin, G. D. Watson, J. C. C. Thompson, T. F. Garrett and H. W. Bailey.

The Secretary nominated his assistants and they were elected. They are: *Assistant Secretary.*—R. T. Stevenson. *Recording Secretary.*—S. G. Pollard. *Statistical Secretaries.*—T. F. Garrett, J. A. Boatman, Thos. Hanford, G. W. Rich. *Financial Secretaries.*—A. Boreing, W. R. Watson.

Thos. Hanford was, on motion, appointed to assist E. L. Shepard in the examination of the class of the second year.

*Committee to Publish the Minutes.*—Pastors of Union Church, Covington; Grace Church, Newport; Shinkle Chapel, Covington, and the presiding elder of the Covington and Maysville District were appointed to publish the Minutes, and the Secretary to edit the same.

On motion of J. D. Walsh, the Secretary was allowed 10 per cent. on the amount received from advertisements for the Minutes of the past year.

The following were then introduced to the Conference: Revs. A. J. Jutkins, S. E. Steele, J. R. Eads, transfers to the Conference, and T. W. Lewes, of the Presbyterian Church; A. D. Tedlock, of the Southern Presbyterian Church; H. D. Rice, of the Cincinnati Conference; Jas. Courtney, of the Lexington Conference, and T. S. Pollette, of the M. E. Church, South.

QUESTION 3.—*Who remain on trial?*

ANSWER.—Obed Bennett, of the class of the first year, was continued on trial in that class, subject to examination next year, he being too ill to attend the Conference.

QUESTION 20.—*Was the character of each preacher examined?*

J. H. Lennin, Presiding Elder of the Ashland District, reported the condition of his district. The character of S. E. Steele, A. R. Crislip, A. Boreing, G. W. Rich, M. L. Centers and E. Barnes was examined and passed. S. K. Ramey was called, his character passed, and he reported the condition of the Barbourville District. The character of W. H. Childers, J. P. Grinstead, W. C. S. Ingram and H. Newman was examined and approved. Silas Green, Presiding Elder of the Greenville District, was called, his character passed, and he reported the condition of his district. The character of J. D. Belt, Wm. Powis, J. D. Crenshaw, J. W. Franklin and E. D. Elliott was examined and approved. J. N. Thompson was



reported transferred. B. R. Turner was reported withdrawn, and, on motion, his withdrawal was allowed. The Secretary reported that he had received Bro. Turner's parchment as an elder. The transfer of John R. Eads from the Colorado Conference to the Kentucky Conference was announced by the Bishop.

On motion, J. R. Eads was added to the Committee on Education.

J. D. Walsh, Presiding Elder of the Covington and Maysville District, was called, his character passed, and he reported the condition of his district.

On motion, so much of his report as referred to hindrances was referred to the Committee on the State of the Work.

The announcements were made, the doxology sung, and the benediction pronounced by Bro. R. G. Gardiner.

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## SECOND DAY—THURSDAY.

*September 29.*

The Conference met at 8.30 A. M., spending half an hour in devotional exercises, led by H. J. Perry. At 9 o'clock the Bishop took the chair. The roll of absentees was called, and Bros. A. R. Crislip and G. D. Watson responded to the call. The Minutes of the previous session were read and approved.

The twentieth question being resumed, the character of B. F. Whiteman, J. A. Boatman, W. R. Watson, E. B. Hill, Thos. Hanford, C. J. Howes, J. Y. Dobbins, R. D. Lashbrook, Benj. A. Stubbins, H. W. Bailey, H. C. Northcott, J. S. Ruggles, E. L. Sanders, H. J. Ramey, G. D. Watson, E. L. Shepard, J. D. Woods, L. B. Piersel, D. Stevenson and M. D. Murphy was examined and approved.

On motion, the Rules of Order printed in the Conference Minutes of last year were adopted for this session, with the exception that No. 13 was so changed as to substitute "fifteen minutes" for "ten."

On motion, it was ordered that the Semi-Centennial Sermon to be preached by Rev. J. G. Bruce be made the order for 11 o'clock Friday.

The twentieth question was resumed, and J. G. Bruce reported the condition of the Lexington District. Bro. H. J. Perry, in behalf of the preachers and people of the district, presented Bro.

Bruce with a purse of gold amounting to \$55. Bro. Bruce responded feelingly and well.

The character of V. T. Willis, F. Grider, J. M. Cook, A. J. Jutkins, J. C. Gill, John Godby, J. C. C. Thompson, H. J. Perry, S. G. Pollard was examined and approved. J. A. Gragg was called, and, on motion, he was located at his own request.

W. B. Barnett was called, his character passed, and he reported the condition of the Louisville District. The character of J. A. Humphrey, W. B. Edmunds, Wm. Macafee, J. L. Albritton, G. P. Jeffries, E. A. Davis, T. F. Garrett and R. G. Gardiner was examined and passed.

A communication from Dr. R. S. Rust, concerning the Freedmen's Aid Work, was received, read, and, with accompanying documents, was referred to the committee on that cause. Papers from educational institutions referred to the Committee on Education. The "Exhibit" from the Book Concern was presented and referred to the Committee on Books and Periodicals. The receipt for Conference funds from Mrs. Rebecca Gragoon was filed by W. B. Barnett.

A. J. Jutkins and F. Grider were appointed to examine candidates for admission in place of Wm. Macafee, absent, and B. A. Stubbins, Secretary.

G. D. Watson, transferred to the Conference, and Rev. J. W. Spring, of the Ohio Conference Methodist Protestant Church, were introduced to the Conference.

QUESTION 13.—*Who are the traveling deacons of the second class?*

W. J. Brockway was called, and he was reported transferred to the Erie Conference. W. B. Brown was called, but being absent his case was deferred. J. H. Ford called, character passed, and he was continued a deacon of the first class. J. M. Oliver called, character passed, and he was passed to the second class of deacons.

QUESTION 14.—*What traveling deacons have been elected elders?*

G. N. Jolly was called, his character passed, and he was elected to Elders' Orders.

On motion, it was ordered that no member of any class be passed in his studies unless recommended by the Examining Committee.

E. C. Pollard was called, his character passed, and he was elected to Elders' Orders. S. W. Shelton was called, his character passed, and he was elected to Elders' Orders. T. B. White was called, his

character passed, and he being absent at school, was granted a local relation at his own request.

Rev. Mr. Briney, of the Christian Church, was introduced to the Conference.

The Committee on Bible Cause reported through H. W. Bailey. Dr. G. S. Savage, Agent of the American Bible Society, addressed the Conference in the interest of that cause, and the report was adopted. (See report.)

QUESTION 18.—*Who are the supernumerary preachers?*

J. Foster was called, his character passed, and his relation continued. J. S. Taylor, character passed, and he was made effective. Z. M. Taylor, character passed, and he was granted a superannuated relation.

The case of J. W. Zimmerman was referred to the Committee on Conference Relations.

QUESTION 19.—*Who are the superannuated preachers?*

A. B. College, J. S. Cox, W. L. Furnis, Thos. Rankin, A. H. Triplett and Wm. Wyatt were called, the character of each was examined and passed, the relation of each was continued. Samuel Turner was reported deceased.

The Bishop announced that the Conference was authorized to draw on the Chartered Fund for \$30, and the draft was ordered.

The nineteenth question was resumed, and, on motion, W. B. Edmunds was granted a superannuated relation.

On motion, the presiding elders were appointed a committee to nominate Triers of Appeals.

The Secretary presented his report for 1880-81, formally audited, and the report was filed. (See reports.)

D. Stevenson made his report as the Agent for the Educational Fund in behalf of the Conference, and the report was received and ordered printed in the Minutes.

J. D. Walsh presented a paper concerning the state of education in Kentucky. The paper was referred to a special committee, consisting of Bros. J. G. Bruce, E. L. Shepard and J. R. Eads. The committee was instructed to report to-morrow morning, and their report was made the order of the day for 9 o'clock A. M.

H. W. Bailey presented a resolution, asking that the addresses of Bros. Dobbins and Hanford, delivered at the Freedmen's Aid Society Meeting, be presented for publication. Adopted.

F. Grider, from the Committee on Visitation to Ayers' Academy, presented a report, which was referred to the Committee on Education.

A paper was presented by J. D. Walsh on the matter of cheap books, which was referred to the Committee on Books and Periodicals.

J. D. Walsh presented a paper concerning the performance of the rite of matrimony by unordained preachers. On motion, the paper was referred to a special committee of five. The Chair appointed J. G. Bruce, A. J. Jutkins, R. D. Lashbrook, R. G. Gardiner and G. D. Watson to be said committee.

Announcements were made, doxology sung, and the benediction was pronounced by J. P. Grinstead.



### THIRD DAY—FRIDAY.

*September 30.*

The Conference met at 8.30 o'clock A. M., and was led in devotional exercises for half an hour by R. D. Lashbrook. At 9 o'clock Bishop Merrill took the chair. The minutes were read, corrected and approved.

A communication from Rev. J. C. Morris, a fraternal delegate from the Louisville Conference of the M. E. Church, South, to this Conference, was read by the Secretary and filed.

The Committee, to whom was referred the paper concerning the performance of the rite of matrimony by unordained preachers, reported that the Committee could not agree, and asked to be discharged. The report was accepted, and the Committee discharged.

The Committee to prepare a suitable paper concerning the death of the late President Garfield presented a paper, which was adopted, and it was ordered that a copy be forwarded by the Secretary to Mrs. Garfield. (See reports.)

The Committee on Tracts made a report, which was adopted. (See reports.)

The Committee on Sunday-schools reported, and the report was adopted. (See report.)

The Committee on Freedmen's Aid made a report, and on motion it was adopted. (See report.)

The Committee on Books and Periodicals, etc., made a report, and the report was adopted. (See report.)

A communication from the Ohio Wesleyan University was presented and referred to the Committee on Education.

Rev. M. D. Reynolds, pastor of the M. E. Church, South, in Maysville, was introduced to the Conference.

QUESTION 5.—*Who are admitted into full connection?*

S. F. Kelley, R. T. Stevenson and I. G. Zeigler were called forward and examined by the Bishop. On motion, the time of the session was extended.

S. F. Kelley was called, and after the usual representations he was admitted into full connection, he being already a deacon.

R. T. Stevenson was called. The usual representations being made, he was admitted into full connection in the Conference, he being already a deacon.

I. G. Zeigler was called, represented, and admitted into full connection with Conference. Already a deacon.

The Secretary of the Preacher's Relief Association presented his annual report, which was received and filed, and on the nomination of the Board D. E. Roberts was elected to be a manager in said Board to serve seven years. (See reports.)

The Treasurer of the Preacher's Relief Association presented his report, which was received and filed. (See reports.)

The Stewards through Bro. A. Shinkle made a partial report in summary, and the report was received and filed. Their report on claims and appropriations to claimants was received and adopted. The distribution of funds was then made; the amounts were delivered respectively as follows: For J. S. Cox, to J. D. Woods; Matilda Davis, to J. G. Bruce; A. H. Triplett, to B. A. Stubbins; A. B. College, to E. C. Pollard; Mrs. J. C. Harrison, to J. Y. Dobbins; Mrs. R. Grayson, to W. B. Barnett; Mrs. Bristow, to W. Macafee; W. L. Furnis, to W. B. Barnett; Mrs. Nancy Turner, to J. D. Belt; Mrs. F. Cismy, to J. D. Belt; Mrs. I. F. Harrison, to B. A. Stubbins; Thos. Rankin, to R. D. Lashbrook.

A communication from Garrett Biblical Institute was presented by the Bishop, and referred to the Committee on Education.

THE ORDER OF THE DAY.—Semi-centennial Sermon by Rev. J. G. Bruce, followed from a text taken from the 40th Chap. Isaiah, 6, 7, 8 verses.

Announcements, doxology and benediction by Bro. Bruce.

## FOURTH DAY—SATURDAY.

*October 1.*

The Conference met at 8:30 o'clock A. M., and was led in devotional exercises for half an hour by Bro. R. G. Gardiner. At 9 o'clock the Bishop took the chair.

Bro. E. B. Hill was appointed to collect the accounts of the N. Y. Book Concern.

W. H. Childers was appointed a Committee on Post-offices in place of T. F. Garrett, excused.

J. D. Walsh filed the receipt of Thos. Rankin for funds received from the stewards for last year.

Question five was resumed.

J. D. Bradley was called, and it was reported that he had been expelled, and his parchments were filed with the Secretary.

C. H. Bullock called and discontinued.

Chas. C. Emerson being present, was called forward and examined by the Bishop, and after representation he was admitted into full connection, being already a deacon.

J. L. Hawk was continued on trial to be examined in the studies of the first year.

J. G. Bruce, Treasurer of the Board of Trustees, made a report in behalf of the Board as follows:

"The interest on a note for \$503.00, held by the Board, has been paid to date, amounting to \$27.70. This amount has been paid to the Board of Stewards by order of the Conference.

On the nomination of J. G. Bruce, Benj. A. Stubbins was elected a Trustee *vice* H. C. Northcott, resigned.

The fifth question was resumed, and C. S. Markin was called and, on motion, discontinued.

W. W. Tait was called and discontinued.

The thirteenth question was resumed, and W. B. Brown being called, his character passed, and he was continued a deacon of the first class.

The eighteenth question was resumed, and J. W. Zimmerman called. The Committee on Conference Relations, to whom the case had been referred, reported in favor of making Bro. Zimmerman effective. On motion, it was ordered that he be continued in a supernumerary relation on condition that at the close of this next ensuing Conference year he shall become effective or locate.

L. B. Piersel asked for a superannuated relation, but was granted a supernumerary relation, with the request that at the end of the year he be made effective or locate.

Rev. J. W. Fitch and D. G. B. Demaree, of the M. E. Church, South, were introduced to the Conference.

The tenth question—What local preachers have been elected deacons?—was taken up. John Thomas, recommended by the Barbourville District Conference, and D. F. Kerr, recommended by the Louisville District, were elected to deacons' orders.

The sixteenth question—What local deacons have been elected elders?—was asked, but there was no response from any of the districts.

The thirty-third question—Where shall the next Conference be held?—was taken up, and Trinity Church, Louisville, Kentucky, was chosen as the place.

The second question—Who are admitted on trial?—was taken up, and Victor A. Henry, Wm. M. Fitzwater and Wm. G. Bradford were admitted.

To the sixth question—Who are readmitted?—there was no response.

The orders of Wm. M. Fitzwater, late an elder in the Methodist Episcopal Church, now a probationer in this Conference, were formally recognized.

J. D. Belt filed the receipt of Mrs. F. Cisney for funds from the stewards for last year for \$45.

A resolution was adopted in acknowledgment of the fraternal communication from Rev. J. C. Morris, of the M. E. Church, South, and Wm. Macafee was appointed a fraternal messenger to the Louisville Conference of that church.

H. J. Perry, in behalf of the Trustees of Central Kentucky Camp Ground, asked that the Conference authorize the transfer of the property to J. S. Linney, one of the trustees appointed by the Conference at Somerset, and the request was granted.

The Committee to Nominate Triers of Appeals nominated H. J. Perry, C. J. Howes, J. A. Humphrey, W. H. Childers, E. L. Shepard, S. E. Steele and D. Stevenson, and they were elected.

A resolution concerning the semi-centennial sermon was adopted.

The following named brethren were introduced to the Conference: W. G. Bradford, candidate for admission on trial, Revs. Loyd and Boyer, of the Cincinnati Conference.

The Committee on Sabbath Observance presented a report, which was adopted.

Announcements were made, doxology sung, and the benediction was pronounced by S. E. Steele.

#### SATURDAY AFTERNOON.

The Conference was called to order by Bishop Merrill after the devotional exercises, incident to one of the anniversary meetings.

The Committee on Temperance reported, and the report was adopted. (See reports.)

The Committee to Examine District Conference Records reported, and the report was adopted.

The Committee on Memoirs presented a suitable paper on the death of Rev. Samuel Turner, and after remarks by Benj. A. Stubbins the report was adopted. Also, a paper concerning the death of Bishop E. O. Haven was presented, and after remarks by Bishop Merrill, and the singing of the 1037th hymn--There is a Land of Pure Delight--the paper was adopted.

J. W. Franklin was granted a local relation at his own request.

Rev. A. R. Kennedy, of the Southern Presbyterian Church was introduced to the Conference.

The Committee on Books and Periodicals and Book Concern Accounts presented a report. Bishop Merrill spoke at some length on our publishing interests, and the report was adopted.

W. B. Barnett reported the sale of a church in the Morgantown Circuit, Louisville District, and asked permission to use the proceeds, \$100, for the benefit of other churches in that district. On motion, it was ordered that the money be paid to H. J. Perry, Treasurer of the Board of Trustees, by him to be invested and managed according to the discipline.

The Committee on Mormonism reported, and the report was adopted. (See report.)

The Presiding Elder of the Louisville District, the Pastor of the Trinity M. E. Church, and the Pastor of Wesley Chapel M. E. Church were appointed a committee to prepare a programme for the next session of the Conference in Louisville.

It was ordered that when the Conference adjourn it be to meet at 8 o'clock A. M., Monday morning.

The Secretary of the Conference Educational Society was in-



structed to furnish the Secretary of the Conference with a copy of the minutes of its business.

The Auditor presented his report, which was received and adopted.

The report of the Board of Education was presented by D. Stevenson and filed.

A communication from the Treasurer of the Episcopal Fund was read, and referred to the presiding elders. It stated that the amount asked for for the ensuing Conference year is \$315.

Rev. J. F. Lloyd, President of the Hillsboro Female College of the Cincinnati Conference, represented the interests of that institution.

The Committee on Education reported, and the report was adopted.

The report of the Committee on the State of the Work was presented and adopted.

On motion, the time of the session was extended, and the Secretary read a statement from the representatives of the Book Concern.

S. G. Pollard and J. D. Hearne were elected members of the Board of Education to be known as the first class.

The minutes were read and approved, announcements were made, the doxology sung, and the benediction pronounced by Dr. Jutkins.

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## FIFTH DAY—SABBATH.

*October 2.*

At 9 o'clock A. M. the Conference Love-feast was held, led by our venerable brother, H. J. Perry. Many were the tender emotions awakened, and warm the affection kindled among us, as the recruit and veteran, the youthful and the aged, told of the power of grace to save, comfort and keep.

At 10:30 o'clock preparation for the principal religious service of the day was made, and Bishop Merrill announced for the text Hebrews vii. 24, 25, and delivered a magnificent sermon on Christ's power to save based on his priesthood. The pretentious priesthood of modern ecclesiastics vanished before his expository logic.

At 3 o'clock a large audience assembled to witness the ordination of deacons and elders, elsewhere reported.

At 7:30 o'clock Bro. Wm. Macafee was greeted by a large and appreciative congregation to hear him deliver the Annual Mission-

ary Sermon. His text was chosen from the words of the Master's commission—Go into all the world—and the theme was the reasons for our faith in the ultimate triumph of the gospel. The theme was well sustained, and the sermon a good one.

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## SIXTH DAY—MONDAY.

*October 3.*

The Conference met at 8 o'clock, and spent one-half hour in devotional exercises led by H. J. Perry. The Bishop took the chair, and the Conference proceeded with the regular business.

A resolution was offered by F. Grider concerning the more efficient working of the local preachers, which was adopted.

The Committee, to whom was referred the paper concerning certain discriminations in the laws of Kentucky in the matter of educating white and colored children, presented their report. A motion to amend by striking out all that relates to the location of school-houses for the colored children prevailed, and the report as thus amended was adopted.

The Bishop presented the following

### CERTIFICATE OF ORDINATIONS.

This certifies that on Sunday, October 2d, in Maysville, I ordained the following to the office of deacons, namely: John Thomas, Daniel F. Kerr. Also that on the same day, and in the same place, with the assistance of elders present, I ordained Gideon N. Jolly, Elijah C. Pollard and Silas W. Shelton to the office of elders.

MAYSVILLE, KY., *October 3, 1881.* S. M. MERRILL.

The roll of the Conference was called for subscriptions to the fund for the publication of the minutes.

On motion, a collection amounting to more than six dollars was taken for the sexton.

Rev. W. H. Boole, of the New York East Conference, was introduced.

A resolution of thanks for entertainment was adopted.

A resolution of appreciation, concerning J. W. Franklin on his leaving the Conference, was adopted.

W. B. Brown was granted a location at his own request.

D. Stevenson reported the condition and prospect of Bracken Academy.

On motion of J. D. Walsh, it was ordered that the interest on the educational fund for the ensuing year shall be paid to D. Stevenson, for the use of any young man who may attend his school preparing for the ministry of the M. E. Church.

A resolution, appreciative of the presence and presidency of Bishop Merrill, was adopted.

A paper was presented by J. D. Walsh, appreciative of the late utterances of the Louisville *Courier-Journal* on the subject of a purer journalism. Adopted.

The Statistical Secretaries read the report by districts, and the report was filed.

On motion, a Committee to Nominate the Usual Committees for next year was ordered, and the following were appointed: D. Stevenson, Wm. Macafee, J. D. Walsh.

A resolution on the transfer of Silas Green from the Conference was adopted.

The Sunday-school statistics were read by districts and the aggregate, and filed.

On motion, the remaining statistics were filed, and ordered printed in the minutes.

The Conference Boards and Examining Committees were then announced.

The Bishop appointed D. Stevenson to preach the annual Missionary Sermon at the session of 1882.

The report of the Committee on Missions was presented, and on the concurrence of the Bishop adopted.

A vote of thanks was tendered the Secretaries for their services.

There being no other business claiming the attention of the Conference, it was ordered that the journal be approved, and after religious devotional exercises, and the reading of the appointments, the fifty-fifth session of the Kentucky Conference shall be adjourned *sine die*.

The journal was read and approved; the Bishop, after a brief address, read the appointments and pronounced the benediction, and the Conference was adjourned.

.....*President.*

The foregoing is a correct record.

.....*Secretary.*

## DISCIPLINARY QUESTIONS.

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QUESTION 1.—*Who are received by transfer, and from what Conference?*

ANSWER.—John R. Eads, from the Colorado Conference.

QUESTION 2.—*Who are admitted on trial?*

ANSWER.—Victor A. Henry, Wm. M. Fitzwater, Wm. G. Bradford.

QUESTION 3.—*Who remain on trial?*

ANSWER.—Obed Bennett, subject to examination in the studies of the first year. (He was too ill to attend the Conference session.—*Secretary*.) J. L. Hawk, to be examined in the studies of the first year.

QUESTION 4.—*Who are discontinued?*

ANSWER.—J. D. Bradley, (having been expelled from the church); E. H. Bullock, C. S. Markin, W. W. Tait.

QUESTION 5.—*Who are admitted into full connection?*

ANSWER.—S. F. Kelly, R. T. Stevenson, I. G. Zeigler and C. C. Emerson.

QUESTION 6.—*Who are readmitted?*

ANSWER.—None.

QUESTION 7.—*Who are received on credentials from other churches?*

ANSWER.—None; but Wm. M. Fitzwater, a probationer in the Conference, was recognized as an elder on his parchment received from the West Virginia Conference, Methodist Protestant Church.

QUESTION 8.—*What traveling preachers have been elected deacons?*

ANSWER.—None.

QUESTION 9.—*What traveling preachers have been ordained deacons?*

ANSWER.—None.

QUESTION 10.—*What local preachers have been elected deacons?*

ANSWER.—John Thomas and Daniel F. Kerr.

QUESTION 11.—*What local preachers have been ordained deacons?*

ANSWER.—John Thomas and Daniel F. Kerr.

QUESTION 12.—*Who are the traveling deacons of the first class?*

ANSWER.—J. H. Ford, S. F. Kelly, R. T. Stevenson, I. G. Zeigler and C. C. Emerson.

QUESTION 13.—*Who are the traveling deacons of the second class?*

ANSWER.—J. M. Oliver.

QUESTION 14.—*What traveling deacons have been elected elders?*

ANSWER.—Gideon N. Jolly, Elijah C. Pollard and Silas W. Shelton.

QUESTION 15.—*What traveling deacons have been ordained elders?*

ANSWER.—Gideon N. Jolly, Elijah C. Pollard and Silas W. Shelton.

QUESTION 16.—*What local deacons have been elected elders?*

ANSWER.—None.

QUESTION 17.—*What local deacons have been ordained elders?*

ANSWER.—None.

QUESTION 18.—*Who are the supernumerary preachers?*

ANSWER.—J. Foster and J. W. Zimmerman.

QUESTION 19.—*Who are the superannuated preachers?*

ANSWER.—A. B. College, J. S. Cox, W. L. Furnis, Thos. Rankin, A. H. Triplett, Wm. Wyatt, Z. M. Taylor and W. B. Edmunds.

QUESTION 20.—*Was the character of each preacher examined?*

ANSWER.—Yes. This was strictly done as the name of each preacher was called in open Conference.

QUESTION 21.—*Have any died?*

ANSWER.—Yes. Samuel Turner was born December 19, 1802,

and died at his home in Muhlenberg Co., Ky., November 19, 1880. See Memoir.

QUESTION 22.—*Have any been transferred, and to what Conferences?*

ANSWER.—D. D. Akin, to the South Kansas Conference; W. J. Brockway, to the Erie Conference; Silas Green, to the Southern Illinois Conference; J. N. Thompson, to the Nebraska Conference.

QUESTION 23.—*Have any withdrawn?*

ANSWER.—Yes. Benj. R. Turner.

QUESTION 24.—*Have any been located at their own request?*

ANSWER.—Yes. J. A. Gragg, T. B. White, J. W. Franklin and W. B. Brown.

QUESTION 25.—*Have any been located?*

ANSWER.—None.

QUESTION 26.—*Have any been permitted to withdraw under charges?*

ANSWER.—None.

QUESTION 27.—*Have any been expelled?*

ANSWER.—None.

QUESTION 28.—*Who are selected for Triers of Appeals?*

ANSWER.—H. J. Perry, C. J. Howes, J. A. Humphrey, W. H. Childers, E. L. Shepard, S. E. Steele and D. Stevenson.

QUESTION 29.—*What is the Statistical Report?*

ANSWER.—Probationers, 2,244; members, 16,503; total, 18,747. For additional items see tabular statements.

QUESTION 30.—*What are the claims on the Conference Fund?*

ANSWER.—J. S. Cox, \$50; Mrs. Matilda Davis, \$50; A. B. College, \$150; Mrs. M. P. Harrison, \$100; Mrs. Rebecca Graggson, \$250; Mrs. F. Bristow, \$350; W. L. Furniss, \$250; Mrs. Nancy Turner, \$300; Mrs. F. Cisney, \$300; Mrs. Eliza Harrison, \$250; Thomas Rankin, \$250; total, \$2,400.

QUESTION 31.—*What has been received on these claims, and how has it been applied?*

ANSWER.—Received from the Charges, \$746.62; from Board of

Trustees, \$27.70; from Draft on Chartered Fund, \$30.00; total, \$804.32. Applied to J. S. Cox, \$31.75; Mrs. Matilda Davis, \$50.80; A. H. Triplett, \$50.80; A. B. College, \$63.50; Mrs. M. P. Harrison, \$50.80; Mrs. Rebecca Gragson, \$76.17; Mrs. F. Bristow, \$100.00; W. L. Furniss, \$63.00; Mrs. Nancy Turner, \$76.20; Mrs. F. Cisney, \$76.20; Mrs. I. F. Harrison, \$63.50; Thos. Rankin, \$101.60; total, \$804.32.

QUESTION 32.—*Where are the preachers stationed?*

ANSWER.—

### APPOINTMENTS FOR 1881.

<p>ASHLAND DISTRICT, E. L. SHEPARD, P. E.          Ashland, S. E. Steele.          Bethel and Blain, William M. Fitzwater.          Beech Grove, C. C. Emerson.          Catlettsburg, A. Boreing.          Coalton, I. G. Ziegler.          Greenup and Grayson, J. S. Ruggles.          Eden, to be supplied.          Letcher, to be supplied.          Louisa, to be supplied.          Paintsville, R. D. Lashbrook.          Prestonburgh, A. R. Crislip.          Piketon, to be supplied.          Russell, G. W. Rich.          Salyersville, J. P. Grinstead.          Willard and Olive Hill, to be supplied.</p>	<p>Milton, to be supplied.          No Lynn, G. P. Jeffries.          Scottville, J. M. Oliver.          Shelbyville, R. T. Stevenson.          Tompkinsville, G. N. Jolly.          Union Star, to be supplied.          Vine Grove, Obed Bennett.</p>
<p>BARBOURVILLE DISTRICT, S. K. RAMEY,          P. E.          Bangor, W. H. Childers.          Barbourville, S. F. Kelly.          Booneville and Beattyville, W. C. S. Ingram.          Campton, to be supplied.          Harlan, to be supplied.          London, to be supplied.          Pineville, to be supplied.          Stanton and Irvine, H. Newman.          Watt's Creek, to be supplied.          Williamsburgh, J. C. Gill.</p>	<p>GREENVILLE DISTRICT, J. H. LENNIN, P. E.          Cave Spring, V. A. Henry.          Greenville, William Powis.          Hopkinsville, to be supplied.          Logan, E. E. Davis.          Madisonville, J. H. Ford.          Marion, J. D. Crenshaw.          Marshall, to be supplied.          Mayfield, E. D. Elliott.          Milburn, J. D. Belt.          No Creek, J. L. Hawk.          Owensboro, to be supplied.          Paducah, M. L. Centers.          Webster, E. Barnes.</p>
<p>LOUISVILLE DISTRICT, W. B. BARNETT,          P. E.          Bowling Green, S. W. Shelton.          Caneyville, to be supplied.          Hardinsburgh, J. A. Humphrey.          Hardyville, to be supplied.          Litchfield, R. G. Gardiner.          Louisville, Trinity, William Macafee.          " Wesley Chapel, T. F. Garrett.          Morgantown, to be supplied.</p>	<p>COVINGTON AND MAYSVILLE DISTRICT, J.          D. WALSH, P. E.          Asbury and Alexandria, B. F. Whiteman.          Augusta, J. A. Boatman.          Belleview, W. R. Watson.          Concord, E. B. Hill.          Covington, Main Street, C. J. Howes.          " Shinkle Chapel, S. G. Pollard.          " Union Church, J. Y. Dobbins.          Crittenden, M. D. Murphy.          Dayton, B. A. Stubbins.          Fleming, H. W. Bailey.          Foster, to be supplied.          Fox Springs, to be supplied.          Germantown, H. C. Northcott.          Harrison and Nicholas, to be supplied.          Ludlow and West Covington, J. L. Albritton.</p>

Maysville, E. L. Sanders.	Danville, J. R. Eads.
Mt. Olivet, H. J. Ramey.	Harrodsburg, J. C. C. Thompson.
Newport, G. D. Watson.	Highland, J. M. Cook.
Sardis and Murphysville, T. Hanford.	Lexington, A. J. Jutkins.
Tolesboro, J. D. Woods and W. G. Bradford.	Middleburg, J. G. Bruce.
Vanceburg, E. C. Pollard.	Nicholasville, H. J. Perry.
D. Stevenson, president of Bracken Academy and member of Augusta quarterly conference.	Somerset, to be supplied.
LEXINGTON DISTRICT, J. S. TAYLOR, P. E.	Wayne, to be supplied.
Bethel, V. T. Willis.	D. D. Akin transferred to the South Kansas Conference.
College Hill, F. Grider.	W. J. Brockway to the Erie Conference.
Columbia, John Godby.	Silas Green to the Southern Illinois Conference.
Clinton, to be supplied.	J. N. Thompson, transferred to Nebraska Conference.

QUESTION 33.—*Where shall the next Conference be held?*

ANSWER.—Louisville, Kentucky. Trinity Church.



# REPORT OF THE FINANCIAL SECRETARIES

ON

## KENTUCKY CONFERENCE CHURCH COLLECTIONS, 1881.

CHARGES.	PASTORS.	Missions.	W. F. Missions.	Church Extension.	Tract.	S. S. Union.	Freedmen	Educa- tion.	Bible.
ASHLAND DISTRICT.									
Ashland.	S. C. Steel.	\$29 06	.....	\$6 00	\$1 40	\$1 00	\$4 32	\$1 85	\$20 00
Bethel.	A. R. Crislip.	7 50	.....	.....	.....	40	.....	.....	.....
Beech Grove.	C. C. Emerson.	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Blaine.	V. A. Henry.	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Catlettsburg.	A. Boreing.	21 05	\$1 00	4 00	50	1 05	4 40	5 00	4 55
Coalton.	I. G. Zeigler.	10 00	4 25	1 00	1 50	.....	1 00	.....	.....
Eden.	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Grayson and Willard.	J. K. Creighton.	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Greenup.	T. B. White.	9 00	50	2 00	50	.....	1 00	50	50
Letcher.	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Loisa.	G. W. Rich.	7 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	2 25	12 00
Olive Hill.	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Paintsville.	M. L. Centers.	15 00	50	.....	25	25	75	3 00	25
Pikeville.	C. S. Markin.	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Prestonburg.	E. Barnes.	1 00	.....	25	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Russell.	W. W. Tait.	3 10	.....	1 48	.....	1 20	1 65	50	.....
Salysersville.	G. N. Jolly.	3 00	.....	50	.....	.....	60	.....	.....
Total.		\$105 71	\$6 25	\$15 23	\$4 15	\$3 90	\$13 72	\$13 10	\$37 30

BARBOURVILLE DISTRICT.					
Bangor.	\$10 00				
Barbourville.	16 00	\$ 50	\$ 50	\$ 25	\$ 25
Booneville and Beattyville.	20 00	25			
Campton.			\$ 25	\$ 25	
Cumberland Falls.					
Cumbarland Falls.	2 00				
Harlan.	7 00				
London.	5 00		2 00		
Pineville.	5 00				
Stanton and Irving.	7 00		1 00		
Watt's Creek.	7 00				
Williamsburg.	1 00				
<b>Total.</b>	<b>\$80 00</b>	<b>\$ 75</b>	<b>\$5 50</b>	<b>\$ 25</b>	<b>\$ 25</b>
<b>COVINGTON DISTRICT.</b>					
Asbury and Alexandria.	\$18 12		\$1 05	\$1 05	\$1 00
Augusta.	26 60	\$1 00	7 71	85	6 00
Bellevue.	10 34		10 00		
Concord.	6 00		1 00		1 00
Covington, Main St.	15 00				
Shinkle Chapel.	74 64		16 00	2 60	3 00
Union Church.	501 64	150 78	194 55	10 00	10 00
Crittenden.	5 00	1 00	3 00	1 00	1 00
Dayton.	12 00		7 00		
Fleming.	5 00		1 00	50	50
Foster.	8 00		1 00	50	1 00
Fox Springs.					2 12
Germantown.	14 00	1 00	3 00	1 00	1 00
Harrison and Nicholas.	10 00		2 50		2 50
Ludlow and West Covington.	25 00		1 00		1 50
Maysville.	35 00		10 00		5 00
Mount Olivet.	29 50	1 00	9 00	1 00	1 00
Newport.	210 60	18 62	15 00	4 00	12 75

## REPORT OF FINANCIAL SECRETARIES ON KENTUCKY CONFERENCE CHURCH COLLECTIONS.—Continued.

CHARGES.	PASTORS.	Missions.	W. F. Missions.	Church Extension.	Tract.	S. S. Union.	Freedmen.	Educa- tion.	Bible.
<i>Covington Dist.—Continued.</i>									
Quincy.	W. R. Brown.	1 00							
Sardis and Murphyyville.	E. L. Shepard.	32 72		6 35	1 45	1 45	4 50		
Toloboro.	J. D. Woods.	25 00		10 00			5 00		
Vanceburg.	E. C. Pollard.	25 00	5 75	1 50			1 00		
Total.		\$1090 16	\$179 65	\$300 66	\$23 55	\$25 85	\$199 55	\$28 12	\$88 00
<b>GREENVILLE DISTRICT.</b>									
Greenville.	J. D. Belt.	\$10 00	\$1 00	\$1 00	\$1 00	\$1 00	\$1 00		\$1 00
Gasper.	G. Davis.								
Hopkinsville.	J. N. Thompson.	1 00							
Logan.	B. R. Turnet.								
Madisonville.	W. Powis.	10 00	1 00	1 00		1 00	1 00		
Marion.	J. H. Ford.								
Marshall.	J. D. Bradley.	50		2 00					
Mayfield.	J. D. Crenshaw.	10 00		1 00			1 00		50
Milburn.	J. W. Franklin.	20 00							
No Creek.	E. D. Elliott.	5 00	1 00	2 00	50	1 00	1 00	\$1 00	50
Owensboro.	J. James.								
Paducah.	J. C. Orr.								
Webster.	J. L. Hawk.	3 00		1 00					
Total.		\$59 50	\$3 00	\$8 00	\$1 50	\$3 00	\$4 00	\$1 00	\$2 00
<b>LEXINGTON DISTRICT.</b>									
Bethel.	V. T. Willis.	\$5 00		\$1 00			\$1 00		
College Hill.	F. Grider.	15 00		2 00	\$1 00	\$1 00	1 00	\$1 00	
Columbia.	J. M. Cook.	50							



REPORT OF FINANCIAL SECRETARIES ON KENTUCKY CONFERENCE CHURCH COLLECTIONS.—*Continued.*

DISTRICTS.	Missions.	W. F. Missions.	Church Extension.	Tract.	S. S. Union.	Freedmen.	Education.	Bible.
Ashland.	\$105 71	\$6 25	\$15 23	\$4 15	\$3 90	\$13 72	\$13 10	\$37 30
Barbourville.	80 00	75	5 00	25	25	2 50	75	25
Covington and Maysville.	1090 16	179 65	300 66	23 55	25 85	198 85	28 12	88 00
Greenville.	59 50	3 00	8 00	1 50	3 00	4 00	1 00	2 00
Lexington.	466 37	108 35	133 00	21 00	22 00	69 25	56 75	33 90
Louisville.	364 00	46 90	159 50	13 00	8 00	73 75	14 75	11 00
Grand Total.	\$2165 74	\$344 90	\$621 89	\$63 45	\$63 00	\$362 77	\$114 47	\$172 45

*REPORT OF FINANCIAL SECRETARIES.*

Cash.	\$1895 47	\$124 75	\$621 89	\$63 45	\$63 00	\$345 02	\$114 47	\$83 50
Vouchers.	270 27	220 15	.....	.....	.....	17 75	9 00	88 95
Grand Total.	2165 74	344 90	\$621 89	\$63 45	\$63 00	\$362 77	\$123 47	\$172 45

Surplus, \$11.45 turned over to Secretary.

# 1.-STATISTICS OF KENTUCKY CONFERENCE FOR 1881.

CIRCUITS AND STATIONS.	MEMBERSHIP.				BAPT'NS		CHURCH PROPERTY.				S. SCHOOLS			BENEVOLENT COLLECTIONS.										MIN' TER'S SUP		Current Expenses: section, fuel, gas, Sunday-schools, etc.							
	No. of Prob- ationers.	No. of Full Members.	No. of Local Preachers.	No. of Deaths.	No. of Children Baptized.	No. of Adults Baptized.	No. of Churches	Probable Value.	No. of Pars'ages	Probable Value.	Paid for build'g & imp'g Ch'ches and Parsonages	debtedness on Ch'ch Property	Present Indeb't edness on Ch'ch Property.	No. of Schools.	No. of Officers and Teachers.	No. of Scholars of all Ages.	From Churches.	From Sun- day Schools.	Total.	For Woman's Missionary Society.	For Board of Church Extension.	For Tract Society.	For Sunday School Union.	For Freedmen's Aid Society.	For Education.		For American Bible Society.	Other Collec- tions.	For Pastors, Pre- siding Elder and Bishops.	For Conference.	For Claimants.		
ASHLAND DISTRICT.																																	
Ashland.....	34	180	1	1	3	5	9	1	10000	.....	\$64	\$2103	\$150	1	20	129	\$16	\$16	\$12	\$40	\$29 06	.....	\$6 00	\$1 40	\$1 00	\$4 32	\$1 85	\$20 00	.....	\$83	\$3	\$162 50	
Bethel.....	37	125	2	3	5	5	2	1000	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	5	25	90	7 50	7 50	.....	7 50	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	
Beech Grove.....	70	70	3	1	7	1	.....	.....	1	\$300	150	.....	.....	2	20	200	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	
Blaine.....	16	146	1	1	1	1	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	7	27	105	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	
Catlettsburg.....	25	74	1	3	2	1	1	2500	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1	15	100	8 40	12 65	21 05	\$1 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	
Coalton.....	62	83	1	1	18	15	1	500	.....	.....	500	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	10 00	.....	10 00	.....	4 25	1 00	1 50	1 00	1 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	
Eden.....	25	95	1	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	
Grayson and Willard.....	46	79	2	.....	.....	.....	.....	1300	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	2	11	87	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	
Greenup.....	2	93	1	1	1	4	2	3100	.....	.....	65	250	.....	2	15	100	7 00	2 00	9 00	50	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	
Letcher.....	50	145	1	2	7	1	.....	600	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	
Lousia.....	14	126	4	3	3	7	.....	3300	1	850	50	.....	.....	3	29	140	4 65	2 35	7 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	
Olive Hill.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	
Paintsville.....	70	257	5	2	5	10	6	4000	.....	.....	1500	50	.....	5	40	325	15 00	.....	15 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	
Pikeville*.....	18	311	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	
Prestonburg.....	96	145	2	2	2	3	1	100	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	
Russell.....	61	194	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	
Salersville.....	34	302	2	2	4	7	3	1200	.....	.....	5	59	40	4	32	140	3 00	3 00	3 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
*Last year's Minutes.	660	2422	25	20	52	61	25	\$18600	3	\$1950	\$2334	\$2462	\$390	37	270	1571	\$76	\$31	\$29 40	\$105 71	\$6 25	\$15 23	\$4 15	\$5 90	\$13 72	\$13 10	\$37 30	\$2 00	\$4498 11	\$21 37	\$508 50		
BARBOURVILLE DIST.																																	
Bangor.....	13	385	4	4	6	24	2	\$300	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1	7	54	\$10 00	.....	\$10 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	
Barbourville.....	55	387	3	2	2	20	2	2500	.....	.....	\$180	.....	\$25	3	25	275	16 00	.....	16 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	
Boonesville & Beattyville	144	435	4	2	10	150	4	2500	.....	.....	190	.....	.....	4	20	165	20 00	.....	20 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	
Campton*.....	36	233	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	
Cumberland Falls.....	3	50	5	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	
Harlan.....	33	145	2	.....	.....	.....	.....	500	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	
London.....	80	445	5	3	4	7	6	1500	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	
Pineville.....	65	253	5	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	
Stanton and Irving.....	27	239	2	5	.....	.....	.....	2500	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	
Watts' Creek.....	22	262	6	2	1	7	1	300	.....	.....	40	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	
Williamsburg.....	20	150	1	1	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	
*Last year's Minutes.	498	2984	37	19	29	216	22	\$10300	.....	.....	\$410	.....	\$275	14	100	789	\$80 00	.....	.....	\$80 00	\$0 75	\$5 50	.....	\$0 25	\$2 50	\$0 75	\$0 25	.....	\$1902 80	\$3 50	\$47 00		



LEXINGTON DISTRICT																																					
Bethel.....	28	200	3	12	18	3	\$1500	1	\$500	\$575	\$125	\$150	3	20	100	\$5	00	.....	\$5	00	.....	\$1	00	.....	\$1	00	.....	\$1	00	.....	\$191	90	\$1	50	\$10	00	
College Hill.....	21	364	1	2	8	3	6000	1	800	.....	.....	.....	21	200	15	00	.....	15	00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	583	00	5	00	125	00	
Columbia.....	15	205	1	2	1	5	1300	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	50	00	.....	.....	50	00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	162	00	.....	.....	.....	.....		
Cumberland City.....	25	200	.....	2	5	1	7500	1	1500	17	500	2300	1	4	23	20	86	\$10	64	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	78	00	20	00	75	00	
Danville.....	9	116	2	1	.....	2	14000	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	5	00	\$2	00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	230	85	.....	.....	30	00		
Harrodsburg.....	49	320	1	1	6	8	2	600	.....	.....	.....	.....	24	160	1	00	.....	1	00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	154	00	.....	.....	30	00	
Highland.....	3	230	1	7	.....	3	32000	1	7000	240	.....	.....	1	21	140	252	00	90	00	342	00	100	101	85	15	00	.....	.....	.....	.....	2525	00	112	00	563	55	
Lexington.....	3	230	1	7	.....	3	32000	1	7000	240	.....	.....	1	21	140	252	00	90	00	342	00	100	101	85	15	00	.....	.....	.....	.....	2525	00	112	00	563	55	
Middleburg.....	21	98	1	5	4	3	2350	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	2	14	67	9	00	.....	9	00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	366	35	3	50	.....	.....	
Nicholasville.....	20	253	3	6	3	10	6	13000	.....	1000	.....	.....	3	18	94	38	00	.....	38	00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	322	40	8	00	.....	.....	
Somerset.....	9	234	3	2	.....	3	3500	1	800	500	.....	.....	300	2	14	25	8	75	10	62	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	544	00	2	50	55	00	
Wayne.....	19	264	1	4	1	2	200	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1	7	20	.....	.....	.....	.....	19	37	4	50	2	00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	72	00	.....	.....	.....	.....	
.....	220	2541	13	31	38	68	32	\$11150	5	10100	\$2332	\$625	\$2750	20	143	949	404	61	111	26	\$496	87	106	50	138	85	21	00	22	00	\$569	75	\$156	50	\$858	55	
LOUISVILLE DISTRICT																																					
Bowling Green.....	4	151	3	2	1	4	\$3000	.....	.....	.....	\$500	.....	4	10	85	\$4	50	.....	.....	\$5	00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	
Carrollton.....	28	124	2	2	.....	2	1300	1	\$500	\$200	.....	.....	2	12	60	5	00	.....	.....	5	00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Caneyville*.....	25	183	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Hardinsburg.....	3	295	3	2	4	12	3	3750	1	1000	1000	.....	.....	2	10	125	3	00	.....	.....	3	00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Litchfield*.....	12	138	.....	.....	.....	.....	400	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	3	15	100	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	
Little Barren*.....	10	130	.....	.....	.....	.....	1	300	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	
Trinity.....	22	268	2	5	.....	.....	1	35000	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	
Wesley Chapel.....	54	180	.....	18	21	1	2000	.....	.....	60	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	
Morgantown*.....	15	175	.....	6	.....	.....	2	550	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	
No Lynn.....	20	92	6	6	7	1	200	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	
Rochester.....	10	25	.....	2	10	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	
Scottsville.....	29	386	5	4	8	5	2500	1	500	110	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....								

# RECAPITULATION.

6601	2422	25	20	52	61	25	\$18600	3	\$1950	\$2334	\$462	\$390	37	270	1571	\$63	31	\$29	40	\$105	71	\$6	25	\$15	23	\$4	15	\$5	90	\$13	72	\$13	10	\$37	30	\$2	00	\$4498	11	\$21	37	\$508	50	
498	2984	37	19	20	260	22	10300	.....	.....	410	75	275	14	100	789	80	00	.....	.....	80	00	75	5	50	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	
487	4623	18	52	111	154	54	154250	7	18450	2326	1057	3263	52	490	3613	503	99	584	47	1089	66	179	65	201	66	23	55	25	85	198	85	37	12	88	00	338	80	15783	10	375	60	6601	50	
135	1843	16	16	.....	.....	43	42	17800	4	1250	354	10	230	142	930	44	50	15	00	59	50	3	00	8	00	1	50	3	00	4	00	1	00	2	00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
220	2541	13	31	38	68	51	51550	5	10100	2332	625	2750	20	143	949	404	61	111	26	515	87	106	50	138	85	21	00	22	00	69	25	56	75	33	90	10	00	5669	75	156	50	858	55	
244	2190	25	19	70	120	27	54250	4	2000	2270	500	180	23	150	1400	190	50	173	50	364	50	46	90	161	50	13	00	8	00	75	15	13	35	11	00	22	55	5592	05	188	05	1118	00	
2244	16503	134	157	300	706	331	306350	23	33750	\$10026	\$4654	\$7108	169	1295	9252	1286	91	913	63	2215	24	343	05	620	74	63	20	65	00	363	47	122	07	172	45	373	35	36009	75	752	53	9258	55	



## 2.-STATISTICS OF KENTUCKY CONFERENCE FOR 1882.

CIRCUITS AND STATIONS.	PROBATIONERS.					MEMBERS.					MINISTERIAL SUPPORT.				PRESIDING ELDER.		BISHOPS.		CONF. CLAIM'TS	
	On Roll at last Conf and received since.	Removed by Cert'e.	Dropped, withdra'n, or unknown.	Received into Full Connection.	On Roll at End of this Year.	Received by Cert'e.	Rec'd from Probate'n	Removed by Cert'e.	Withdra'n, expelled, or unknown.	Deaths.	Known Members at the end of this year.	Pastor's Claim, including Rental, Value of Parsonage, or House Rent.	Pastor's Receipts, including Rental, Value of Parsonage, or House Rent.	Deficiency.	Amount Apportioned.	Amount paid.	Amount Apportioned.	Amount paid.	Amount Apportioned.	Amount paid.
ASHLAND DISTRICT.																				
Ashland.....	64	1	4	21	34	20	21	14	.....	3	188	\$600 00	\$800 00	\$100 00	\$10 00	\$28 55	\$1 00	\$5 00	\$35 00	\$3 52
Bethel.....	52	.....	.....	15	37	.....	15	.....	5	3	125	400 00	130 00	270 00	25 00	14 50	4 00	2 00	11 00	1 00
Beech Grove.....	82	.....	.....	14	70	25	14	.....	.....	.....	70	300 00	101 75	198 25	.....	6 25	2 00	2 00	.....	.....
Blaine.....	17	.....	.....	1	16	.....	1	.....	1	1	146	65 00	49 00	16 00	25 00	1 00	2 00	1 00	.....	.....
Catlettsburg.....	34	5	1	9	25	6	9	2	1	3	71	600 00	600 00	.....	32 00	32 00	4 00	3 10	20 00	4 25
Coalton.....	113	110	11	28	62	1	28	14	5	3	83	475 00	360 00	115 00	30 00	28 70	4 00	4 00	16 00	2 00
Eden.....	25	.....	.....	25	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	95	50 00	25 00	25 00	25 00	11 00	1 00	.....	.....	.....
Grayson and Willard.	12	.....	.....	1	46	.....	1	.....	1	.....	79	600 00	130 00	470 00	30 00	30 00	3 00	.....	.....	.....
Greenup.....	60	.....	.....	9	50	1	9	5	.....	.....	93	500 00	375 00	125 00	30 00	18 50	4 00	1 00	16 00	3 00
Letcher.....	14	.....	.....	10	.....	.....	10	.....	.....	.....	145	105 00	70 00	95 00	25 00	12 00	1 00	.....	.....	.....
Louisa.....	.....	.....	.....	14	.....	2	.....	2	1	3	126	440 00	396 00	44 00	32 00	25 00	4 00	2 00	16 00	1 60
Olive Hill.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	25 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Paintsville.....	140	.....	25	5	40	1	40	4	.....	2	257	400 00	400 00	.....	32 00	32 00	3 00	3 00	16 00	3 00
Pikeville*.....	18	.....	.....	18	.....	.....	18	.....	.....	.....	311	.....	.....	.....	25 00	14 71	.....	.....	.....	.....
Prestonsburg.....	151	2	4	1	96	3	.....	1	.....	2	145	300 00	220 00	80 00	25 00	18 85	1 00	1 00	12 00	1 00
Russell.....	61	.....	.....	.....	61	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	194	400 00	265 00	135 00	30 00	19 25	2 00	1 00	.....	.....
Salersville.....	283	.....	248	3	34	4	3	6	7	9	302	400 00	236 65	163 35	32 00	21 60	4 00	1 00	15 00	1 00
*Last year's Minutes.	1108	919	339	7151	660	63	15148	13	20	19	2422	\$5,995 00	\$4,158 40	\$1,836 60	\$443 00	\$314 61	\$40 00	\$25 10	\$158 00	\$21 37
BARBOURVILLE DIST.																				
Bangor.....	34	6	8	4	41	8	41	8	.....	4	385	\$505 00	\$397 00	\$108 00	\$40 00	\$40 00	.....	.....	\$0 50	\$0 50
Barbourville.....	143	1	64	2	21	55	1	16	1	4	387	450 00	246 00	204 00	40 00	34 40	\$1 50	\$1 00	1 00	.....
Booneville & Beattyville	278	7	10	2115	144	3	115	3	7	10	435	300 00	205 45	94 55	50 00	50 00	1 00	1 00	.....	25
Campton*.....	3	.....	.....	36	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	233	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Cumberland Falls.....	104	.....	67	4	33	3	.....	.....	.....	.....	50	200 00	37 50	162 50	10 00	11 00	50	1 00	.....	.....
Harlan.....	100	.....	20	80	.....	.....	4	.....	57	.....	145	137 00	67 00	70 00	20 00	20 00	.....	70	.....	.....
London.....	68	.....	.....	3	65	.....	.....	20	41	3	445	250 00	100 00	150 00	45 00	33 50	1 00	1 00	.....	.....
Pineville.....	45	.....	8	10	27	5	.....	3	.....	.....	253	200 00	62 50	137 50	25 00	25 00	50	.....	1 00	.....
Stanton and Irving.....	60	.....	.....	38	22	.....	38	.....	.....	5	239	400 00	186 75	213 22	45 00	34 00	.....	.....	1 00	.....
Watts' Creek.....	24	.....	.....	4	20	1	4	10	.....	2	262	400 00	88 00	312 00	30 00	30 00	75	.....	1 00	.....
Williamsburg.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1	150	300 00	200 00	100 00	40 00	31 00	90	.....	1 00	.....
*Last year's Minutes.	859	715	200	8236	498	98	123142	19	108	19	2984	\$3,142 00	\$1,590 20	\$1,551 80	\$345 00	\$308 90	\$6 15	\$3 70	\$5 50	\$3 25

COVINGTON & MAY'S LE	75	...	30	33	9	6	33	14	...	3	222	\$535 00	\$442 60	\$503 40	\$55 00	\$50 19	\$5 00	\$5 00	\$10 00	\$4 00	
Asbury & Alexandria.	17	...	...	15	12	2	11	...	2	181	800 00	700 00	100 00	64 00	64 00	6 00	4 00	3 75	3 00	4 00	
Augusta.	10	...	8	2	3	2	2	5	2	45	750 00	750 00	...	30 00	30 00	3 75	3 00	...	...	3 00	
Bellevue.	185	...	115	12	58	2	12	2	...	203	350 00	250 00	100 00	40 00	27 50	4 00	2 00	...	...	2 00	
Concord.	8	...	...	8	1	16	1	...	2	76	327 00	237 00	40 00	35 00	35 00	3 00	3 00	...	...	2 00	
Main Street.	69	1	13	1	21	32	21	10	2	1	900 00	900 00	...	60 00	60 00	6 00	6 00	25 00	28 00	2 00	
Shinkle Chapel.	13	5	...	3	10	3	8	...	5	157	300 00	300 00	...	260 00	260 00	40 00	50 00	100 00	200 45	2 00	
Union Church.	49	...	...	35	14	2	35	5	19	2	500 00	388 00	112 00	32 00	32 00	3 00	3 00	3 00	2 00	2 00	
Crittenden.	20	...	...	1	4	7	16	1	4	1	800 00	725 45	74 55	30 00	18 10	3 75	2 00	10 00	7 00	7 00	
Dayton.	65	2	...	3	8	5	1	8	3	1	290 00	235 25	139 75	25 00	25 00	...	1 35	...	...	1 00	
Fleming.	17	...	...	2	8	...	...	...	...	210	472 00	322 00	150 00	45 00	37 25	1 00	5 00	...	...	...	
Foster.	22	...	...	22	...	...	...	...	...	4	214	230 00	104 00	125 60	25 00	15 00	...	...	...	...	
Fox Springs.	72	...	...	17	55	4	17	4	3	2	216	625 00	560 00	65 00	50 00	48 00	3 00	2 50	10 00	8 00	
German town.	12	...	...	12	3	7	5	...	17	3	429	500 00	238 80	201 20	60 00	38 00	3 00	2 00	7 50	2 65	
Harrison and Nicholas	7	...	...	5	2	...	...	...	1	87	900 00	700 00	200 00	30 00	30 00	3 00	3 00	6 00	2 00	2 00	
Ludlow & W. Cov'gton	22	...	...	10	12	1	2	...	1	173	900 00	900 00	...	70 00	70 00	7 00	3 00	...	...	...	
Maysville.	32	...	...	2	18	1	2	4	...	4	235	500 00	450 00	50 00	60 00	58 85	7 50	7 50	17 50	9 00	
Mount Olivet.	46	...	...	17	25	15	17	16	5	10	347	1500 00	1500 00	...	150 00	150 00	...	12 00	...	75 00	
Newport.	32	11	4	12	5	12	...	...	79	...	250 00	152 00	98 00	40 00	26 00	2 00	1 00	3 00	1 00	1 00	
Quincy.	46	...	...	13	33	2	13	1	1	2	212	700 00	581 55	118 45	60 00	58 00	6 00	5 00	13 00	13 00	
Sardis & Murphysville	74	...	...	20	31	3	20	8	...	303	900 00	700 00	200 00	60 00	60 00	7 50	5 00	15 00	12 00	12 00	
Tollesboro.	144	5	15	52	67	13	52	5	7	2	218	575 00	510 00	65 00	60 00	65 00	3 00	3 00	10 00	2 50	
Vanceburg.	1043	821	239	9	276	487	101	266	125	28	4623	\$16,389 00	\$14,396 65	\$1,992 35	\$1,341 00	\$1,252 89	\$126 50	\$129 10	\$225 00	\$383 60	
GREENVILLE DIST.	64	1	3	45	4	45	...	...	...	3	274	\$400 00	\$150 00	\$250 00	\$35 00	\$35 00	\$1 50	\$1 50	...	\$2 00	
Greenville.	15	...	...	5	10	2	5	3	...	126	300 00	51 85	248 15	15 00	20 00	2 00	2 00	...	...	...	
Gasper.	8	...	...	8	9	4	12	7	...	154	164 00	75 00	189 00	15 00	15 40	2 00	2 00	...	...	...	
Hopkinsville.	32	...	8	12	9	4	12	7	15	3	101	300 00	212 00	87 50	25 00	25 00	2 00	2 00	1 00	1 00	
Madisonville.	10	...	...	1	15	5	1	...	1	97	275 00	95 00	180 00	25 00	25 00	2 00	1 00	2 00	...	...	
Marion.	15	...	...	1	10	5	1	...	4	2	74	400 00	170 00	20 00	20 00	20 00	...	...	...	...	
Marshall.	15	...	...	1	15	5	1	...	4	2	215	450 00	235 00	25 00	25 00	2 00	1 00	4 00	2 00	2 00	
Mayfield	25	...	...	10	10	6	10	...	4	2	176	400 00	215 00	50 00	46 46	4 00	2 00	10 00	2 00	2 00	
Mayfield	20	2	2	6	8	6	22	1	3	...	245	30 39	80 71	50 00	46 46	4 00	2 50	...	...	...	
Millburn	17	...	...	25	5	8	5	2	...	...	105	465 60	285 85	179 65	32 00	32 00	2 50	...	...	...	
No Creek.	10	...	...	5	...	...	...	...	...	...	49	300 00	125 00	15 00	15 00	...	...	...	...	...	
No Owensboro.	5	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	167	300 00	300 00	30 00	30 00	...	...	...	...	...	
Owensboro.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	500 00	218 00	282 00	25 00	25 00	1 00	...	...	...	
Paducah's	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	
Webster.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	
Last year's Minutes.	211	1	3	18	5	87	135	26	87	37	3	26	11	1843	\$4,554 60	\$2,236 99	\$2,317 61	\$317 00	\$313 86	\$18 00	\$7 50

**\*Last year's Minutes.**

## 2.-STATISTICS-Continued.

CIRCUITS AND STATIONS.	PROBATIONERS.					MEMBERS.							MINISTERIAL SUPPORT.				PRESIDING ELDER.		BISHOPS.		CONF. CLAIM'TS			
	On Roll at last Conf. and received since.	Removed by Cert'e.	Remo'd with't Cert.	Dropped, withdrawn, or unknown.	Deaths.	Received into Full Connection.	On Roll at End of this Year.	Received by Cert'e.	Rec'd from Probation.	Removed by Cert'e.	Remo'd with't Cert.	Withdrawn, expelled, or unknown.	Deaths.	Known Members at the end of this year.	Pastor's Claim, including Rental, or Value of Parsonage.	Pastor's Receipts, including Rental, or Value of Parsonage.	House Rent.	Deficiency.	Amount Apportioned.	Amount paid.	Amount Apportioned.	Amount paid.	Amount Apportioned.	Amount paid.
LEXINGTON DISTRICT.																								
Bethel.....	42	5	1	14	28	1	14	5	5	5	6	3	200	200	\$162 60	\$137 40	\$50 00	\$26 30	\$4 00	\$3 00	\$10 00	\$1 50		
College Hill.....	33	1	1	11	21	3	11	1	1	1	1	1	2	304	600 00	525 00	75 00	60 00	7 00	5 00	.....	5 00		
Columbia.....	15	.....	.....	.....	15	3	3	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	2	205	200 00	150 00	50 00	40 00	.....	.....	2 00	.....		
Cumberland City.....	25	.....	.....	.....	25	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	200	200 00	78 00	122 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	
Danville.....	5	4	.....	.....	1	1	1	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	2	57	500 00	408 00	92 00	40 00	2 00	2 00	20 00	20 00		
Harrodsburg.....	14	.....	.....	.....	9	5	1	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1	116	400 00	202 75	197 25	40 00	5 00	5 00	20 00	20 00		
Highland.....	49	.....	.....	.....	49	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	320	324 00	138 50	185 50	40 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	
Lexington.....	17	.....	.....	.....	3	1	3	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	230	2,300 00	2,300 00	.....	200 00	25 00	25 00	100 00	102 00		
Middleburg.....	22	.....	.....	.....	13	1	3	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	98	600 00	373 85	276 15	40 00	6 00	3 50	3 50	3 50		
Nicholasville.....	93	11	39	23	20	1	23	1	1	1	1	6	253	234	600 00	288 40	311 60	60 00	6 00	4 00	10 00	8 00		
Somersett.....	25	.....	.....	.....	10	23	10	2	2	2	.....	.....	.....	234	500 00	500 00	.....	60 00	5 00	4 00	2 50	2 50		
Wayne.....	47	.....	.....	.....	26	1	19	1	1	1	.....	.....	3	264	300 00	72 00	228 00	20 00	4 00	.....	.....	5 00	.....	
	387	416	85	2	220	66	60	24	62	33	41	27	2541	2541	\$6,824 00	\$5,149 10	\$1,674 90	\$650 00	\$64 00	\$51 50	\$181 00	\$142 50		

LOUISVILLE DISTRICT.																			
14	...	...	10	...	4	7	5	...	...	...	151	\$400 00	\$270 00	\$130 00	\$40 00	\$25 50	\$2 00	\$0 50	...
28	...	...	...	...	28	...	...	...	...	...	124	400 00	148 40	231 60	20 00	15 50	2 00	...	...
25	...	...	...	...	25	...	...	...	...	...	183	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
26	...	8	15	3	15	2	10	90	2	...	265	500 00	247 00	253 00	40 00	26 00	5 00	...	...
12	...	...	...	...	12	...	...	...	...	...	138	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
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10	...	...	...	...	10	...	...	...	...	...	25	400 00	45 00	355 00	...	...	50	...	25
47	...	1	12	29	5	9	4	...	4	...	380	435 00	176 00	259 00	20 00	21 00	3 00	2 00	...
42	6	2	3	20	11	20	6	2	1	...	81	590 00	590 00	...	32 00	32 00	4 00	4 00	5 00
24	...	...	...	...	24	...	...	...	...	...	324	300 00	180 00	120 00	40 00	25 00	4 00	1 15	...
52	...	2	...	...	2	...	...	...	...	...	122	450 00	115 00	335 00	20 00	20 00	...	...	...
91	...	...	49	4	19	...	19	5	6	3	232	500 00	150 00	350 00	20 00	13 00	3 00	1 50	2 00
468	8	6	75	9	172	244	71	50	46	44	112	18	2190	\$5,206 40	\$2,105 60	\$335 00	\$5 00	\$30 65	\$134 00
*Last year's Minutes																			\$84 65

## RECAPITULATION.

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Ashtland.....	359	715	290	926	487	981	231	108	108	108	108	108	1,590	20	1,551	80	345	00	308	90	6	15	3	70	5	50	3	25	50	3	25
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# REPORTS.

## STEWARD'S REPORT.

The whole amount needed to meet the claims.....	\$2,400 00
Received from the Charges.....	\$746 62
“ “ “ Chartered Fund.....	30 00
“ “ “ Board of Trustees.....	27 70
	<u>804 32</u>
Deficit.....	\$1,595 68
The Preachers' Relief Association disburse through us.....	217 17

### THE MONEYS ARE APPLIED AS FOLLOWS:

CLAIMANTS.	CLAIMS.	Paid by the Stewards.	Paid by the Preachers' Relief Association.	GRAND TOTAL.	TO WHOM PAID.
J. S. Cox.....	\$50 00	\$31 75	.....	\$31 75	J. D. Woods.
Mrs. M. Davis.....	50 00	50 80	.....	50 80	J. G. Bruce.
A. H. Triplett.....	100 00	50 80	\$19 37	70 17	B. A. Stubbins.
A. B. College.....	150 00	63 50	24 00	87 50	E. C. Pollard.
Mrs. M. P. Harrison.	100 00	50 80	.....	50 80	J. Y. Dobbins.
Mrs. R. Gragson....	250 00	76 17	28 80	104 97	W. B. Barnett.
Mrs. F. Bristow.....	350 00	100 00	.....	100 00	Wm. Macafee.
W. L. Furniss.....	250 00	63 00	24 50	87 50	W. B. Barnett.
Mrs. N. Turner.....	300 00	76 20	28 80	105 00	J. D. Belt.
Mrs. F. Cisney.....	300 00	76 20	28 80	105 00	J. D. Belt.
Mrs. Eliza Harrison.	250 00	63 50	24 50	88 00	B. A. Stubbins.
Thos. Rankin.....	250 00	101 60	38 40	140 00	R. D. Lashbrook.
Totals.....	\$2,400 00	\$804 32	\$217 17	\$1,021 49	.....

S. E. STEELE, *Chairman Board of Stewards.*

A. SHINKLE, *Secretary.*

## PREACHERS' RELIEF ASSOCIATION.

## REPORT OF THE SECRETARY.

MAYSVILLE, KY., *September 29, 1881.*

At the close of the session of the Conference held at Hardinsburg, Kentucky, one year ago, there was due:

On account of delinquent dues alone.....\$101 00  
On account of delinquent dues and subscriptions..... 34 00

Total.....\$135 00

Of this amount I have since collected..... 8 00

Balance due.....\$127 00

Of this amount we lose by loss of members..... 36 00

Balance probably collectable..... \$91 00

At the anniversary held at Hardinsburg there was subscribed:

By Bro. A. Shinkle.....\$1,000 00

By members and friends..... 144 00

By basket collection..... 6 15

Total.....\$1,150 15

Of this amount I received..... 1,142 15

Balance not collected..... \$8 00

Of this amount we lose by loss of a member.....\$2 00

Not collectable..... 1 00

3 00

Balance probably collectable..... \$5 00

Balance from above..... 91 00

Total amount due and probably collectable..... \$96 00

At this time I account for the following amounts received and paid over to the

Treasurer:

Oct. 1, 1880. Received from anniversary collection..... \$142 15

“ “ Received from Bro. A. Shinkle..... 1,000 00

“ “ Received from members for dues ..... 75 00

Received since Conference on delinquent dues..... 8 00

Received on account of dues for this year..... 2 00

Received on a former subscription..... 4 00

Jan. 3, 1881. Received from Joshua F. Speed..... 200 00

Total.....\$1,431 15

Oct. 1, 1880. Paid Bro. A. Shinkle, Treasurer.....\$1,213 35

Jan. 3, 1881. “ “ “ “ ..... 200 00

June 18, 1881. “ “ “ “ ..... 22 20

Total.....\$1,435 55

Balance overpaid..... 4 40

\$1,431 15

There is due at this session, from unpaid dues..... \$96 00

from dues for this year..... 99 00

from interest on \$96, at 6 per cent. 5 76

Total..... \$200 76

The Board of Managers have elected Rev. J. C. Howes to fill the vacancy in the Board occasioned by the transfer of Rev. D. D. Akin, and D. E. Rob.

erts is nominated to be a Manager, to serve seven years. The Board will then be:

1. D. E. Roberts to serve seven years.
2. C. J. Howes to serve six years.
3. H. Shaw to serve five years.
4. A. Shinkle to serve four years.
5. B. A. Stubbins to serve three years.
6. Joshua F. Speed to serve two years.
7. J. D. Walsh to serve one year.

At the annual meeting of the Board of Managers the following officers were elected to serve for the ensuing year:

J. D. Walsh, President.                      Benj. A. Stubbins, Secretary.  
D. E. Roberts, Vice-President.              A. Shinkle, Treasurer.

Respectfully,

BENJ. A. STUBBINS, *Secretary*.

#### REPORT OF THE TREASURER.

MAYSVILLE, KY., *September 29, 1881.*

Annual report of the Treasurer of the Preachers' Relief Association of the Kentucky Conference, Methodist Episcopal Church.

Bonds and cash on hand at last report.....	\$2,759 57
Oct. 2, 1880. Cash received at Hardinsburg.....	\$1,213 35
Jan. 3, 1881. Cash received from J. F. Speed.....	200 00
March 3, 1881. Cash received from the Sec'y (for D. Stevenson)	3 00
June 18, 1881. Cash from the Secretary.....	19 20
March 18, 1881. Premium on \$100 U. S. bonds sold .....	13 00
Interest on bonds—Falmouth, to July 1, 1881;	
Highland Cemetery, to May 1, 1881.	243 25
	<hr/> \$1,691 80
Total amount of assets and interest, September 28, 1881.....	\$4,451 37

To be accounted for as follows:

Eight Falmouth seven per cent. \$500 bonds, interest payable July and January of each year.....	\$4,000 00
Two \$100 bonds of Highland Cemetery, six per cent., interest payable May and November each year.....	200 00
Paid premium on \$1,500 Falmouth bonds.....	30 00
Paid expenses of the Secretary.....	4 20
Interest to be paid out at this Conference.....	217 17
	<hr/> \$4,451 37

From the above it will be seen that the entire assets of the Association is \$4,200—four thousand dollars drawing seven per cent. interest, and two hundred dollars drawing six per cent. interest, per annum. The Association has earned in the last year in interest and premium.....\$256 25

Disposed of as follows: To premium on bonds.....	\$30 00
To expenses of the Secretary.....	4 20
To general fund to complete purchase of a bond.....	4 88
To be paid out at this Conference.....	217 17
	<hr/> \$256 25

During the past year the Association has exchanged a part of its bonds from six per cent. to seven per cent bonds, without expense.

A. SHINKLE, *Treasurer*.

## SECRETARY'S REPORT.

DAYTON, KY., *September 28, 1881.*BENJ. A. STUBBINS, *Secretary, in account with the Kentucky Annual Conference of the Methodist Episcopal Church, for the year 1880-81.*

Oct. 4, 1880. Received of D. D. Akin, funds collected at Conference	
less amount for D. Stevenson's advertisement.....	\$62 15
At subsequent times received from others as follows: G. D. Watson, \$1;	
J. P. Grinstead, \$2; Bishop Haven, \$1; T. Hanford, \$1; M. D.	
Murphy, \$2; R. D. Lashbrook, \$1; J. D. Woods, \$1; H. C.	
Northcott, 50 cents; J. D. Hearne, \$1; A. J. Jutkins, \$2.50;	
J. D. Walsh, \$4.45; W. B. Barnett, \$1; J. A. Boatman, \$1;	
W. Macafee, \$2; J. G. Bruce, \$4; B. F. Whiteman, \$1.....	26 45
Collected for a last year's advertisement.....	10 00
Received for advertisements.....	49 00
Total receipts.....	\$147 60

## EXPENDITURES.

Paid J. D. Walsh, balance on account.....	\$4 45
“ for stationery sundries.....	2 10
“ “ postage sundries.....	10 17
“ “ expressage .....	8 35
“ “ incidental expenses.....	12 97
“ “ printing the Minutes.....	\$92 08
“ “ envelopes and printing.....	6 10
“ “ blanks—printing.....	5 50
	103 68
“ “ securing advertisements, ten per cent. on \$49.....	4 90
Balance on hand.....	98
	\$147 60

Respectfully submitted,

BENJ. A. STUBBINS, *Secretary.*Examined and found correct.—H. W. BAILEY, *Auditor.*

## REPORT OF D. STEVENSON'S WORK IN BEHALF OF THE EDUCATION FUND OF THE CONFERENCE.

I was authorized and requested, at the last session of the Conference, to do what I could, without neglecting my work in connection with Bracken Academy, in behalf of the Educational Fund of the Conference. I report as follows:

1. In view of the small number of charges in which collections were taken up the previous year, for education, I prepared and mailed a circular to the preachers, urging them to take up the regular educational collection, and to emphasize the subject of education in their charges.

2. I also prepared a circular, addressed to laymen, calling their attention to the subject of education, and urging them to take the subject of contributing to the Educational Fund under consideration, and sent out a number of copies of the same.

3. I also aided several of the pastors in taking up their regular educational collections, and while with them endeavored to emphasize the importance of our educational work.

4. I have secured in notes and cash amounts as follows:

*First.—In Notes.*

- (1.) One note from Socrates Holbrook, of Vanceburg, Ky., due six months after his death, with interest payable semi-annually, for \$200 00
- (2.) One note from John Malkus, of Augusta, due, with interest, January 18, 1882..... 10 00



- (3.) One note from Wm. Teagarden, of Augusta, due, without interest, September 17, 1882..... 10 00

Total, in notes... \$220 00

*Second.*—In Cash.

- (1.) Contribution by Socrates Holbrook, of Vanceburg, Ky.... \$5 00  
 (2.) Collection in our church, at Ashland, Ky..... 4 50  
 (3.) Collection at Ruggles' Camp-Meeting..... 10 70  
 (4.) Contribution by Rev. W. E. Seddon, of Mason County, Ky.. 10 00  
 (5.) Contribution by Mrs. Averilla Frank, of Bracken Co., Ky.. 100 00  
 (6.) Contribution by Mrs. Ann P. Roberts, of Maysville, Ky... 5 00

\$135 20

Making a total in notes and cash of.....\$355 20

Whatever expense and trouble I have been at, I make as my contribution for the year. Very respectfully,

D. STEVENSON.

### REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON MISSIONS.

The Committee on Missions, composed of the Presiding Elders, met at Maysville, Kentucky, October 1, 1881, and organized by electing J. G. Bruce Chairman and W. B. Barnett Secretary.

The apportionment to the districts, of the various funds to be raised the ensuing year, was ordered to be made as follows:

Of the whole amount in each case, to the  
 Covington & Maysville District, 35 per cent.    Louisville District, 24 per cent.  
 Lexington District, 25 per cent.    Barbourville District, 4 per cent.  
 Ashland District, 10 per cent.    Greenville District, 6 per cent.

The following missionary appropriations were made:

<i>Ashland District</i> .....	\$300	<i>Barbourville District</i> .....	\$200
Catlettsburg.....	100	Barbourville.....	100
Prestonsburg.....	50	Booneville.....	30
Piketon.....	50	Bangor.....	135
Salyerville.....	30	Campton.....	50
Beech Grove.....	45	Harlan.....	50
Bethel and Blain.....	45	London.....	60
Greenup and Grayson.....	50	Stanton and Irvine.....	80
Eden.....	35	Watts' Creek.....	50
Willard and Olive Hill.....	45	Williamsburg.....	60
Setchu.....	35	Pineville.....	65
Russell.....	40		

Total.....\$880

Total.....\$825

<i>Covington &amp; Maysville District</i> .....	\$.....	<i>Lexington District</i> .....	\$135
Main Street.....	75	Danville.....	200
Ludlow and West Covington.....	100	Harrodsburg.....	125
Germantown.....	120	Somerset.....	75
Crittenden.....	110	Highland.....	60
Fleming.....	90	Columbia.....	70
Foster.....	70	Wayne.....	50
Concord.....	40	Clinton.....	50
Ashbury and Alexandria.....	25	Bethel.....	50

Total.....\$815

Total.....\$630

<i>Louisville District</i> .....	\$300	<i>Greenville District</i> .....	\$300
Wesley Chapel.....	40	Paducah.....	200
Shelbyville.....	100	Marshall.....	50
Milton.....	50	Marion.....	30
Union Star.....	75	Madisonville.....	75
Vine Grove.....	25	Hopkinsville.....	50
Hardinsburg.....	60	Webster.....	50
Litchfield.....	50	Owensboro.....	50
Morgantown.....	40	Greenville.....	30
Bowling Green.....	50		
Scottsville.....	50	Total.....	\$835
Thompkinsville.....	70		
Hardyville.....	60		
No Lynn.....	60		
Total.....	\$1030		

I concur in the foregoing appropriations.—S. M. MERRILL.

W. B. BARNETT, *Secretary*.

<i>Recapitulation.</i>	
Ashland District.....	\$825
Barbourville District.....	880
Covington & Maysville.....	630
Lexington District.....	815
Louisville District.....	1030
Greenville District.....	835

Grand Total.....\$5000

J. G. BRUCE, *Chairman*.

#### AUDITOR'S REPORT.

I have examined the books and accounts of the Presiding Elders, and the accounts and report of the Secretary, and find them correct in every particular.

H. W. BAILEY, *Auditor*.

#### REPORT ON MORMONISM.

We regard the presence and continued spread of Mormon polygamy in the United States, to be a debasing crime, of sufficient magnitude as to awaken alarm in every lover of Christian government. We believe the time has long since come when all the Christian churches of America and the General Government should make a speedy and united effort to destroy this beastly system of domestic corruption, which has too long been entertained like a guest in the very heart of our national territory.

Inasmuch as the Territories are directly under the control of Congress, we are amazed that this delegated Legislature of the best Christian nation on earth can, year after year, tolerate a barbarous association of wholesale fornication, perjury and treachery, so vile that many heathen and savage tribes would drive it from their midst. In our estimation, Mormon polygamy not only tramples in the mire every law of marriage and of domestic virtue, but it is also replete with the very essence of bribery, superstition, slavery and murder. We have ample evidence to prove that Mormonism makes religion only a cloak for every crime, turns all government into the lowest license, makes woman a slave and man a beast, and is the promoter and patron of every crime under heaven. We can not shut our eyes to the fact that Mormonism is spreading at a fearful rate in the great West and Southwest; that every day it is intrenching and fortifying itself by manifold appliances and resources. It visits the superstitious with the wild dreams of Joseph Smith; it visits the peasants of Europe with illuminated pictures of American homesteads; it visits the ignorant with the grossest perversions of Scripture; it visits the national capital with a bag of gold; its debased and sneaking missionaries are penetrating every State and Terri-

tory in the Union, and even within the bounds of our own Conference one of its agents is at work with a tiger's industry, to seduce and ruin our neighbors.

In view of these sad facts, we, as a Conference, resolve—

*First.* That it would be an unmitigated disgrace in the history of this nation for any Territory to be received as a State in this Union in which polygamy is tolerated.

*Second.* It is our solemn conviction that it is the imperative duty of Congress, at its next session, to arrange for the speedy extermination of polygamy from the nation, and that if this can not be done by the peaceful processes of the civil and criminal courts, it should nevertheless be done, even if it required the cannon and the sword.

*Third.* That we will agitate and expose the criminality of Mormonism; that, by discussion and petition, and, above all, by our earnest prayers to the God of our fathers, we will never cease to work and pray till Mormon polygamy, as the licensed liquor traffic, shall go where New England witchcraft and Southern slavery have gone.

A. BOREING, J. W. FRANKLIN,  
B. P. TEVIS, W. C. S. INGRAM,  
H. W. BAILEY, GEO. D. WATSON.

### REPORT ON EDUCATION.

The Committee on Education submit the following report:

1. We deem it a matter of great importance that there should be a college, or other school of high grade, under the control of this Conference.

2. We recommend that John G. Bruce, D. Stevenson, John D. Walsh, A. J. Jutkins and S. E. Steele be a committee to confer together and to receive offers of lands, houses, money, or other property, from different localities, for the founding, or enlargement and endowment, of such an institution; and that they report to this Conference at its next session.

3. We are gratified at the fact that, under an action of the last General Conference, one of the Boards of the Church contemplates aiding the establishment of two or three schools of high grade, for the education of whites in the southern portion of our work.

4. We believe that if the members and friends of our Church in Kentucky will do all they can toward establishing and endowing such an institution of learning in this State, such aid as may be practicable by the Board referred to will be afforded in this needy and promising field.

5. We are greatly gratified that old "Augusta College," with its precious memories, has been, at least partially, under the labors of Dr. D. Stevenson, restored to its former life of usefulness to the Church which founded it; and we earnestly recommend it to the patronage of those seeking a first-class school for the education of their children.

6. We are pleased to learn that Ayer's Academy, at College Hill, under the principalship of Mr. G. S. Wyatt, has opened its present session with very flattering prospects. We commend it to the continued patronage of our friends in that part of the State.

7. We recommend that if the committee named in this report deem it expedient, they be authorized to confer or correspond with a similar committee, to be appointed by the West Virginia Conference at its approaching session, as to the establishment and support of the college or school contemplated in this report.

8. We urge our ministers to comply with the disciplinary requirement to preach on the subject of education, to take up a collection for education, and to observe Children's Day.

9. We recommend that the Bishop appoint Rev. D. Stevenson, D. D., as President of Bracken Academy; and that, as far as he can do so without neg-

lecting his duties as President of the Academy, Dr. Stevenson be authorized and requested to do what he can toward increasing the Educational Fund of the Conference.

10. We recommend the appointment of visitors to Bracken Academy and Ayer's Academy.

11. We earnestly recommend to our young men, who feel themselves called of God to preach the gospel, to seek the most thorough preparation possible in our schools before they enter fully upon the work of the ministry.

R. G. GARDINER, D. STEVENSON, J. D. BELT,  
A. BOREING, JOHN R. EADS.

## REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON THE STATE OF THE WORK.

Your Committee on the State of the Work would respectfully report that, from the reports of the Presiding Elders, and information otherwise obtained, there have been advances made in some departments of our work during the past year, but that much remains to be done. We would recommend, therefore,

1. That new preaching places be established in county-seats and along the line of the railroads in the bounds of the Conference where we have no preaching; and that our pastors be vigilant to enter, as far as possible, every door opened to them for preaching the gospel and disseminating our Methodism.

2. That we encourage and urge our people to continue more vigorously the work of building churches and parsonages.

3. We especially urge all our pastors to see to it that all the congregations in their charges have the sacrament of the Lord's Supper administered to them at least once in six months.

4. We most earnestly insist that the collection for all our benevolent and connectional interests be taken in every congregation, and that our people be educated to a more liberal support of their pastors.

5. We advise that where there are societies, contiguous to each other, they be united, and those near towns be moved to town, and thus build up stronger congregations, and give the pastor more time to extend our work.

6. That we, as ministers of the Lord Jesus Christ, should not be satisfied until there is a Sunday-school organized, if possible, and well officered, in every society in our Conference.

7. The pastor should not forget to keep constantly before the minds of his people the great importance of giving to their children, if possible, a thorough Christian education.

8. We recommend the holding of protracted meetings in all our societies; not so much to get people into the church as to get them converted in the good old Methodist way.

9. We recommend and insist that class-meetings be held in all our societies regularly, that young Christians may be established, and the Church built up in spiritual power, and God be glorified.

10. We would humbly and respectfully, but firmly, refer to another point. We believe and are laboring to prove ourselves to be *loyal*, loving members of the Methodist Episcopal Church, that know no territorial bounds, and while this is so our hearts can but be pained by the seeming *preference* of the members of other churches to ourselves, by some of the members of our Church, who live in the Northern and Eastern States, when they come among us. And we are pained by the damage done our work in the South, by the letters written and published concerning us and our work, on their return home, in our Church papers. We also deprecate the course pursued in the late controversy between the New York and Methodist *Advocates*, because of the injury done to our work thereby. This we hope arose from a failure to fully comprehend our situation,

II. We request the pastors to provide services of some kind for all the societies under their care each Sabbath, so that we may hold our people under Methodist influence.

F. GRIDER, *Chairman*.

### BIBLE CAUSE.

Your committee report that the work of the American Bible Society at home and in foreign lands was never so encouraging as at present, as the following will show: The society has issued, since its organization in 1816, 38,882,811 volumes. Of this number 1,474,603 volumes were issued during the year ending March 31, 1881, showing an increase over the previous year of 118,574 volumes. And of last year's issue 21,361 volumes were distributed among many of the poor and neglected people of our State by over twenty active colporteurs, who have done and still are doing thorough canvassing. The receipts of the society for last year were \$606,484.96. Of this amount Kentucky contributed \$5,928.06, against \$7,927.61 for the previous year. The Methodist Episcopal Church, however, is fully abreast of any in the land in this glorious work, as is evidenced by her great liberality, and also by the action of the General Conference, including the collection for Bible Cause in the regular collections of the Church, and making it the duty of the Presiding Elders at the last Quarterly Conference to inquire what amount has been raised for Bible Cause. Also, the members of the Kentucky Conference are showing commendable regard for the law by taking the collection.

Yet we can do more. Therefore,

*Resolved*, 1. That the American Bible Society is worthy of our praise and deserves our support.

2. That the marked decrease in the receipts of the society from the State calls loudly for more vigorous effort in behalf of this cause.

3. We recommend the Presiding Elders to emphasize this collection in their districts.

4. That we will take a collection in our respective charges for this society.

J. A. HUMPHREY, <i>Chairman</i> .	J. W. FRANKLIN,
H. W. BAILEY, <i>Secretary</i> .	J. P. GRINSTEAD,
J. M. COOK,	G. N. JOLLY.

### REPORT ON TRACTS.

Your Committee on Tracts would call the attention of the ministers of our Conference to the fact that we are not doing for this cause what the Church demands at our hands, and would offer the following resolution:

*Resolved*, That we will, during the ensuing Conference year, bring this cause before our charges and take collections for the same; and do all we can to distribute tracts among our people.

By order of committee. S. E. STEELE, J. C. GILL, J. A. BOATMAN.

### REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON SUNDAY SCHOOLS.

The Committee on Sunday Schools submit the following resolutions:

*Resolved*, 1. That we shall endeavor to teach our people the necessity of keeping our Sunday-schools in operation the whole year.

*Resolved*, 2. That we shall pay strict attention to the disciplinary plan of conducting our Sunday-schools.

*Resolved, 3.* That we shall encourage the use of our own literature in our Sunday-schools.

*Resolved, 4.* That, wherever practicable, officers and teachers in our Sunday-schools ought to be members of the Methodist Episcopal Church.

S. E. STEELE, J. C. GILL, J. M. OLIVER, J. D. BELT.

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### FREEDMEN'S AID.

We rejoice that under the blessing of God and in the wisdom of men such a society was formed, and that such great results have been achieved; and we trust that this good work may continue until all these millions of Freedmen of our land may be fitted for the duties of Christian citizenship here, and through them accomplish the salvation of Africa.

And we also recommend that the amount, \$800, apportioned to the Kentucky Conference, be apportioned to the various Districts and charges by the proper Committee as in their judgment they may think best; and we would urge all pastors to bring up this claim.

J. D. WOODS, W. POWIS,  
H. NEWMAN, I. G. ZIEGLER.

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### REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON BOOKS AND PERIODICALS.

Your Committee on Books and Periodicals submit the following:

We are glad to learn that our publishing interests East and West are in a prosperous condition; and that the capital invested by the Church to supply our people with a wholesome literature, is being annually increased; and that the sales of books and periodicals of the last year were in excess of those of the preceding year.

In view of the superior quality of our Church literature—*Resolved, 1.* That we will strive to place our Discipline and Hymnal in every Methodist family.

2. That we recommend our people to patronize our own publishing houses.

3. That, so far as practicable, we will pay in advance for our books and periodicals, as we can thereby save money for ourselves and our book concern from embarrassment.

4. That we will give to all our books and periodicals the widest possible circulation.

J. S. TAYLOR, *Chairman.*

S. W. SHELDON, *Secretary.*

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### REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON SABBATH.

WHEREAS, We learn from God's Word that he has reserved one-seventh of time, and set apart one day in seven, and hallowed it for his own services and for man's good; therefore,

*Resolved,* That we disapprove of any desecration, not only in manual labor, unnecessary traveling, visiting or pleasure seeking on God's holy day; but neglecting to spend the day as taught in the Word of God.

*Resolved, 2.* That we, as members of the Kentucky Conference, preach upon the subject of keeping the Sabbath Day holy, and urge our people to greater religious activity.

J. A. HUMPHREY, *Chairman.* J. D. WOODS, *Secretary.*  
S. E. STEEL, E. D. ELLIOTT, S. F. KELLEY.

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### BOOK CONCERN ACCOUNTS.

Your Committee, to whom was referred the accounts of the preachers of this Conference, due to our publishers at Cincinnati, report:

1. We find that many of the members of this Conference are in debt to our book agents.

2. We recommend that they be urged to make payment at the earliest moment possible.

J. S. TAYLOR, *Chairman*.

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### REPORT ON TEMPERANCE.

WHEREAS, The criminal character and evil results of intemperance are beyond question; and its rapid spread and threatening attitude to all good in Church and State, are of appalling significance.

WHEREAS, The Church which this Body represents, is too intimately connected with every development in social and political affairs to escape the great responsibilities of the hour.

*Resolved*, That it behooves our Church to be widely awake to the present state of affairs and to its own responsibility; imposed upon it by its own character, its history, its disciplinary requirements and the call of Almighty God; and to co-operate actively with every effort to free society from this incubus in general; and in particular, not merely to practice, but to urge upon all total abstinence as the only ground of a hopeful conflict with this gigantic evil.

*Resolved*, That while we, as ministers, appeal to the influence of moral suasion; as citizens, we appeal to the might of the ballot box, and shall do all in our power to accomplish complete legal prohibition; and in this cleaving to our convictions and appeal to our rights, we call upon all our members and friends for their active support in the exercise of the dearest right of a citizen of this great country.

In closing, we desire to call attention to the Woman's Christian Temperance Union. A national society, having organizations in most of the States, is conspicuous for its usefulness. For many reasons we commend this society to the earnest attention of our people, hoping that unions may be found in every part of this State.

W. H. CHILDERS, *Chairman*. E. D. ELLIOTT,  
R. R. STEVENSON, *Secretary*. J. W. ZIMMERMAN.

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### DISTRICT CONFERENCE RECORDS.

Your Committee to examine District Conference Records beg leave to submit the following report:

There was but one record before us, the Lexington District, and found the record well kept.

W. H. CHILDERS, G. W. RICH, THOS. HANFORD.

# RESOLUTIONS.

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## THANKS.

It is with pleasure we tender our grateful acknowledgements to the several families of the city who have received us into their homes, and have so hospitably entertained us, during our stay among them. And also to the Pastors and members of the several congregations of the city for the use of their houses of worship on the Sabbath.

H. J. PERRY, J. G. BRUCE.

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## REV. J. W. FRANKLIN.

WHEREAS, Rev. J. W. Franklin, formerly a member of this Conference, has at his own request located with the intention of taking work in the Southern Illinois Conference; therefore,

*Resolved*, That we part with him with great reluctance, and that we commend him to the esteem and confidence of that Conference.

D. STEVENSON, BENJ. A. STUBBINS,  
J. D. WOOD, J. D. CRENSHAW.

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## REV. SILAS GREEN.

WHEREAS, Our brother, Rev. Silas Green, has been connected with the Kentucky Conference for the past eighteen years, and through the very dark days of our church in Kentucky revealed a true zeal and heroism and devotion to our Methodism; and,

WHEREAS, He expects to sever his relation with the Kentucky Conference at the close of this session; therefore,

*Resolved*, That we part with our brother with reluctance, and pray that his future fields of labor may be as pleasant as he so well deserves.

J. D. CRENSHAW, E. L. SANDERS.  
J. L. ALBRITTON, J. H. LENNIN, J. D. WOODS.

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## REV. BISHOP S. M. MERRILL, D. D.

*Resolved*, That we appreciate and value the faithful and truly impartial manner in which, as a valued and cherished Methodist Bishop, Luke Merrill has presided over our present session, and will cordially receive him in the future.

Signed, E. L. SHEPARD, S. K. RAMEY.



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### REQUEST FOR PUBLICATION.

*Resolved*, That we, the Kentucky Conference, request Revs. J. Y. Dobbins and Thomas Hanford to furnish their addresses on the Freedmen's Aid Society for publication, to the Western Christian Advocate, and also to the Advocates published in the South.

H. W. BAILEY, J. W. ZIMMERMAN.

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*Resolved*, That Bro. J. G. Bruce be requested to furnish the manuscript of his Centennial Sermon, to be published in the Minutes.

WM. MACAFEE, C. J. HOWES,  
J. L. ALBRITTON, BENJ. A. STUBBINS.

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### LOCAL PREACHERS.

WHEREAS, There are new and inviting fields opening to our Methodism along the lines of our railroads and in our county seat, where foundations might be laid for good societies; therefore,

*Resolved*, That the District Conferences and churches be requested to so arrange the time and labors of the local preachers, that the pastors may have more time to enter these new fields, and look after the interest, and extend the borders of our Methodism.

F. GRIDER, *Chairman of Committee on the State of the Work.*

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### FRATERNAL RESPONSE.

*Resolved*, That we, have received with great pleasure the communication of Rev. J. C. Morris, Fraternal Messenger from the Louisville Conference of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, and that we do most cordially respond to those sentiments of Christian fraternity and love which he has been pleased to express; and that we do appoint Rev. Wm. Macafee our Messenger, by letter or in person, to acknowledge the same.

J. G. BRUCE, W. H. CHILDERS,  
D. STEVENSON, E. L. SHEPARD.

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### COMMON SCHOOL EDUCATION.

The Committee, to whom was referred certain resolutions on Common School Education in Kentucky, submit the following preamble and resolutions:

WHEREAS, By the laws of Kentucky the school fund for the education of colored children is raised from different sources from those from which the fund for the education of white children is derived; and,

WHEREAS, The school age of colored children, as fixed by law, is from six to sixteen years of age, and that of white children is from six to twenty years of age; therefore,

*Resolved*, By the Kentucky Conference of the Methodist Episcopal Church, that we respectfully and earnestly petition the Legislature of Kentucky at its approaching session to abolish the discriminations referred to in this preamble, and to make an equal appropriation of money for education to the children of all races in the State.

*Resolved*, 2. That a copy of the preamble and resolution be forwarded by the Secretary of the Conference to the Legislature of this State at its next session.

J. G. BRUCE, E. L. SHEPARD, JOHN R. EADS.

## MISCELLANEOUS.

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### CENTRAL KENTUCKY CAMP-GROUND.

WHEREAS, J. B. Bruce, H. J. Perry, Thos. W. Gore, J. S. Linney, W. H. Shears and J. M. Hachney, Trustees of the Central Kentucky Camp-ground of the Methodist Episcopal Church, have made application to this Conference for authority to sell any part or the whole of the tract of land on which the said camp-ground is located, it being in Boyle County, State of Kentucky, situated on the north side of the Knoxville branch of the Louisville and Nashville Railroad, west of Junction City; be it

*Resolved*, By this, the Kentucky Conference of the said Methodist Episcopal Church, the said Trustees, be, and are hereby, authorized to sell, alienate and convey away any part or the whole of said tract of land to any person or persons, whomsoever they may wish to make such conveyance.

Done in Conference Session, in the City of Maysville, this 1st day of October, 1881.

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### REPORT OF THE EDUCATIONAL SOCIETY.

The Educational Society of the Kentucky Conference held its Anniversary Meeting in the M. E. Church, Maysville, Kentucky, Saturday afternoon, October 1, 1881, Rev. J. G. Bruce, President, in the chair. Wm. Macafee was appointed temporary Secretary.

After a verbal report from the President on election of officers to serve for the ensuing year was had, and the following were elected: J. G. Bruce, President, Wm. Macafee, Secretary, W. R. Watson, Treasurer, B. A. Stubbins moved that the Society loan Thos. P. Walters, who is at school at Greencastle, Indiana, \$75, on the same terms as that loaned him last year (without interest).

D. Stevenson proposed to amend—that one-fourth of the amount of the funds in hand be given to Bro. Walters, provided that the sum does not exceed \$50. The amendment prevailed. D. Stevenson moved that the remainder be handed over to Bro. Hearne, the Treasurer of the Board of Education. Motion carried. Amount collected for the Society during the year, and thus disposed of, \$123.47. Adjourned.

WM. MACAFEE, *Secretary*.

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### RESOLUTION ON COURIER-JOURNAL.

The following preamble and resolution was adopted by the Kentucky Conference of the Methodist Episcopal Church, in session at Maysville, Kentucky, October 3, 1881:

WHEREAS, The *COURIER-JOURNAL*, in its issue of August 10, 1881, did publish the following editorial upon "Newspapers and Crime:

"Spinello, of Arezzo, is said to have died of fright while contemplating a picture of the devil of his own painting. Had a good many editors of American newspapers the same delicate sensitiveness which characterized Spinello with regard to the picture of the world which they produce morning after morning, they would have some time ago met with Spinello's fate.

"There is a noticeable tendency in the daily press to adopt a pre-Raphaelite exactness and redundancy of detail in printing reports of crimes. We do not object to pre-Raphaelitism in landscape, water-color or figure painting, but the application of the principles of that school to the sketching of criminal matters and world foibles in newspapers is in bad taste, is frequently loathsome, is calculated to do a very great injury to many readers. It is generally held that no special line of matter is put in type for readers, unless there has come about a demand for that particular class of reading; that ghastly and sickening details of murders and hangings, while shocking the sensibilities of some people, must be printed with all the emphasis that five-line heads and small-cap sub-heads can give; that accounts of seductions and rapes must be set forth with the greatest minuteness of detail; that a cutting scrape in some obscure country village, the actors in which are unknown ten miles from their own burg, must be reported in full; must, according to the pre-Raphaelite school of journalism, be spread before readers to the exclusion of the best of reading matter of the higher order. Such 'news' as we have mentioned is generally skipped by a very large number of readers, who regard it as appropriate only for the columns of the *Police Gazette*. People who read the disgusting details of crime and swindling are very apt to be contaminated, and to receive suggestions which will blossom after a while into a bloom of crime or wrong-doing.

"In making these remarks the *COURIER-JOURNAL* is perfectly willing to make the admission that it has sinned in the particular mentioned too often. Within the last two or three weeks our columns of State specials, for instance, have presented some very disgusting reading. Obscure white and black cutting scrapes, rapes, seductions, corner-grocery robberies, chicken-stealing, and other matters more trivial and a great deal positively revolting, have appeared in our columns. This is not the kind of news (if nine-tenths of it can be dignified with the name 'news') which we propose publishing. The 'news' above mentioned have excluded from our pages much matter of deep interest to all who like to read news of a high order and matter of literary and scientific and political interest, together with the better class of light reading. That such matter should give place to the literature of the slums is not what we intend shall be. We are satisfied that the majority of the readers of the *COURIER-JOURNAL* are in accord with us on this subject. We desire to print something better than a general criminal record, let others choose what course they may. We shall print the news, but we shall endeavor to eliminate the foul and malodorous dribblets of detail, the publication of which would make it appear that the taste and predilection for such stuff among our people is positively insuperable, and must be gratified.

"The excesses of a free press are disgusting, and in this country there is no lack of illustration as to the audacity and indecency of newspapers where there is no restraint. Nevertheless, Mr. Pitt was right in his idea that the dangers of an unbridled newspaper press are corrected by the press itself. The purer newspapers quench the conflagration started by the licentious newspapers. Newspaper influence flows in streams about the country. The one refreshes and invigorates and enlightens like pure water. The other burns and scorches and destroys like a lava stream among the vineyards and gardens which nestle around Vesuvius. Fortunately, in our country the people are free to criticise the newspaper press, and if we take public opinion, in its largest sense, we find that it resents the assumption that the taste of the Ameri-

can people who read runs in the direction of blood-tub and bawdy-house literature. This, notwithstanding the very large amount of vicious reading which is served in newspapers, and which, undeniably, does a work of corruption, the depth of whose iniquity can not be fathomed.

"The newspapers are read more widely in this country than anywhere else in the world (if we may except Greece, where newspaper reading is general), and a very large percentage of our population get all their information from the newspaper press, and are more or less influenced by it, although not enslaved as are the French to their newspapers. To trifle with such a constituency is abominable; to feed them with blood pudding is atrocious; to present word pictures of unchaste deeds constantly to the young is criminal. Yet, considering our large population, the mixed character, the vast extent of our country, the great number of newspapers, the hundreds of millions of copies in circulation, the number sedulously devoted to the business of corrupting the popular mind is not so large as might be supposed.

"Macaulay, in the fourth volume of his History of England, says:

"From the day on which the emancipation of our literature was accomplished the purification of our literature began. That purification was effected, not by the intervention of Senates or Magistrates, but by the opinion of the great body of educated Englishmen; before whom good and evil were set, and who were left free to make their choice. During 160 years the liberty of our press has been constantly becoming more and more entire; and during those 160 years the restraint imposed on writers by the general feeling of readers has been constantly becoming more and more strict. At length even that class of works in which it was formerly thought that a voluptuous imagination was privileged to disport itself, love songs, comedies, novels, have become more decorous than the sermons of the seventeenth century. At this day foreigners, who dare not print a word reflecting on the Government under which they live, are at a loss to understand how it happens that the first press in Europe is the most prudish."

"While it can be hardly said that American newspapers are 'prudish,' yet, as a matter of fact, the leading journals of the United States—those which influence the widest area of public opinion—are, considering the manifold tastes to which they have to minister, remarkably free from foul suggestions. The liberty of the press is, as Macaulay says, influenced by the 'restraint imposed on writers by the general feeling of readers.' We are satisfied that the general feeling of readers is flatly against the pre-Raphaelite school of journalistic collectors of criminal news. Even a lover of the literature of crime must experience a slight feeling of seasickness over the monotony of the telegraphic reports of stabbing, shooting, seduction and rape. He is frequently willing to exchange such stuff for bright, crisp and chaste news gatherings from the field of literature, art and travel.

"Of course, no newspaper can exclude all criminal things from its columns; that we do not propose to do. There are criminal acts which can be classed as news, but we do not propose to adopt the practice of putting out drag-nets and hooks and grappling-irons to rake out the bottom of every foul pool, hunting for morsels of putrid crime. We will leave that for those who are fond of such a business."

And the following in 1880 upon the practice of letting criminals go unpunished in Kentucky: "The law is not at fault, the danger lies in the mawkish sentimentalism—in a perverted sense of justice, in failure rightly to value human life and justly appreciate the horrors of its taking off. For this the press and the pulpit are each to blame." And,

WHEREAS, This journal has more recently published an editorial condemning the practice of carrying concealed weapons; therefore,

*Resolved, By the Kentucky Conference of the Methodist Episcopal Church, that we do hereby most heartily thank the COURIER-JOURNAL for its righteous*

utterances upon these subjects, and bid it God-speed in the effort to elevate the morals of the people by high-toned journalism.

J. D. WALSH, D. STEVENSON, WILLIAM MACAFEE.

And, *Resolved*, That a copy of the above, signed by the Secretary of the Conference, be furnished the *COURIER-JOURNAL* for publication.

BENJAMIN A. STUBBINS,

*Secretary of Kentucky Conference M. E. Church.*

#### AYRES ACADEMY.

Your Committee, appointed to visit this institution of learning, would report:

1. Ayres Academy, located in Madison County, is the only institution of learning belonging to the Kentucky Conference.

2. While the pupils in attendance last year made commendable advancements in their course of study, the school was not largely attended.

3. On the resignation of the Principal, Prof. Thomas Wilson, the President of the Board of Education, Rev. John G. Bruce, appointed Prof. Samuel Wyatt Principal, and he entered upon his duties on the 5th inst.

Of all the thirteen annual sessions of this institution none have opened so satisfactorily and encouragingly as the present one. There are forty pupils in attendance, and all, except three, are in the Intermediate and Academic Departments. Three of those in the latter department are qualified to enter the Sophomore Class in the College. There is also, in connection with the Academy, a Department of Music, presided over by Miss Samma Parker, whose father is a member of the Board of Education of this Conference. She is every way qualified for the position. She has now a large class. The people of the community were never more united upon the school than now. They purpose to put forth their very best endeavor to make this school a complete success. They desire and ask more than ever the influence and moral support of the Conference.

F. GRIDER, H. J. PERRY.

#### PROCEEDINGS OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION.

The Board of Education of the Kentucky Annual Conference M. E. Church met in Maysville, Kentucky, October 1, 1881. The following report from the Treasurer was received and filed:

1881. KENTUCKY CONFERENCE M. E. CHURCH,

Sept. 27. *In Account with J. D. HEARNE, Treasurer.*

##### CREDIT.

	By amount in hand as per last report, Sept. 27, 1880,	
		\$369 69
Oct. 14, 1880.	By cash from J. G. Bruce,	29 60
July 1, 1881.	By dividend on three shares Covington City National Bank Stock,	9 00
Sept. 27, 1881.	By January and July dividends on two shares stock First National Bank of Covington,	16 00
	Total,	\$424 29.

##### CONTRA.

April 18, 1881.	To cash paid for three shares capital stock of Covington City National Bank, \$100 each, at \$125 per share,	\$375 00
June 28.	Paid Rev. D. Stevenson on account of Education of Jacob Simon,	18 90
	Balance in my hands,	30 39
		\$424 29

I invested during the year (April 18, 1881), under a resolution of the Board of Education, as above shown, \$375 in three shares of the capital stock of the Covington City National Bank, of Covington, Kentucky, which I now hold, in addition to two shares of the capital stock of the First National Bank of Covington, Kentucky, heretofore reported.

All of which is respectfully submitted. J. D. HEARNE, *Treasurer*.

The action of the President of the Board in appointing G. S. Wyatt Principal of Ayres Academy was approved.

J. G. Bruce, J. D. Walsh and B. P. Tevis were appointed a Committee on Teachers for Ayres Academy.

On motion, the Treasurer was required to give security for funds coming into his hands.

Board Adjourned.

J. G. BRUCE, *President*.

S. G. POLLARD, *Secretary*.

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#### SECRETARIAL NOTES.

The Statistical Tables are probably nearer correct this year than ever before. However, after the papers for three of the Districts had been carefully prepared and compared and made to tally, brethren brought in late changes, and so upset in a moment two or three hours' work, and caused an extra hour's work for two secretaries.

It is said that Bishop Andrews recently said, in substance, that many Methodist preachers need to go to common schools in order to prepare themselves to properly make out their reports. It is surprising how little some of our best men seem to know about this very essential part of their work.

The request for lists of official members, etc., was so little regarded, that no use can be made of what was furnished us.

The Secretary spent two days on the Statistics after he left the seat of the Conference, and still they are not perfect.

Any business with the Secretary should be addressed to Rev. S. G. Pollard, Covington, Ky.

The itemized Steward's Report was imperfect and one sheet of it lost. It does not therefore appear.

BENJ. A. STUBBINS, *Secretary*.

# KENTUCKY ANNUAL CONFERENCE CALENDAR

No. of Ses. sion.	Year	SEAT.	PRESIDENT.	SECRETARY.	No. of Mem- bers of Conf.
1	1821	Lexington.....	E. George.....	W. Adams.....	.....
2	1822	Lexington.....	E. George.....	W. Adams.....	.....
3	1823	Maysville.....	E. George.....	W. Adams.....	.....
4	1824	Shelbyville.....	R. R. Roberts....	W. Adams.....	.....
5	1825	Russellville.....	R. R. Roberts....	R. D. Neall.....	.....
6	1826	Louisville.....	J. Soule.....	W. Adams.....	.....
7	1827	Versailles.....	J. Soule.....	W. Adams.....	.....
8	1828	Shelbyville.....	J. Soule.....	W. Adams.....	.....
9	1829	Lexington.....	R. R. Roberts....	W. Adams.....	.....
10	1830	Russellville.....	J. Soule.....	W. Adams.....	.....
11	1831	Louisville.....	E. Hedding.....	W. Adams.....	.....
12	1832	Harrodsburg.....	J. Emory.....	W. Adams.....	.....
13	1833	Greensburg.....	R. R. Roberts....	W. Adams.....	.....
14	1834	Mt. Sterling.....	J. Soule.....	W. Adams.....	.....
15	1835	Shelbyville.....	J. O. Andrew.....	W. Phillips.....	.....
16	1836	Louisville.....	J. Soule.....	G. McNeeley.....	.....
17	1837	Frankfort.....	R. R. Roberts....	G. McNeeley.....	.....
18	1838	Danville.....	B. Waugh.....	G. McNeeley.....	.....
19	1839	Russellville.....	J. Soule.....	T. N. Ralston.....	.....
20	1840	Bardstown.....	Thomas A. Morris.	T. N. Ralston.....	.....
21	1841	Maysville.....	J. Stamper.....	T. N. Ralston.....	.....
22	1842	Lexington.....	B. Waugh.....	T. N. Ralston.....	.....
23	1843	Louisville.....	Thomas A. Morris.	T. N. Ralston.....	.....
24	1844	Bowling Green.....	E. S. Janes.....	T. N. Ralston.....	.....
25	1845	Frankfort.....	J. Soule.....	T. N. Ralston.....	.....
26	1853	Covington.....	E. S. Janes.....	J. M. Gatch.....	13
27	1854	Germantown.....	Levi Scott.....	J. M. Gatch.....	16
28	1855	Maysville.....	Thomas A. Morris.	J. M. Gatch.....	15
29	1856	Wesley Chapel, Ohio Co..	E. R. Ames.....	T. F. Conrey.....	18
30	1857	Augusta.....	M. Simpson.....	T. F. Conrey.....	20
31	1858	Covington.....	Thomas A. Morris.	T. F. Conrey.....	22
32	1859	Alexandria.....	Thomas A. Morris.	T. F. Conrey.....	27
33	1860	Germantown.....	M. Simpson.....	T. F. Conrey.....	27
34	1861	Maysville.....	E. R. Ames.....	T. F. Conrey.....	29
35	1862	Asbury Chapel.....	Levi Scott.....	S. M. Merrill.....	16
36	1863	Covington.....	Thomas A. Morris.	S. M. Merrill.....	.....
37	1864	Augusta.....	M. Simpson.....	G. W. Johnson.....	23
38	1865	Newport.....	Thomas A. Morris.	G. W. Johnson.....	.....
39	1866	Covington.....	D. W. Clark.....	G. W. Johnson.....	.....
40	1867	Lexington.....	E. Thomson.....	G. W. Johnson.....	.....
41	1868	Newport.....	C. Kingsley.....	G. W. Johnson.....	.....
42	1869	Harrodsburg.....	Levi Scott.....	D. Stevenson.....	.....
43	1870	Maysville.....	E. Thomson.....	D. Stevenson.....	70
44	1871	Louisville.....	D. W. Clark.....	D. Stevenson.....	.....
45	1872	Covington.....	Levi Scott.....	Benj. A. Stubbins.	83
46	1873	Lexington.....	I. W. Wiley.....	Benj. A. Stubbins.	.....
47	1874	Covington.....	S. M. Merrill.....	Benj. A. Stubbins.	78
48	1875	Louisville.....	R. S. Foster.....	Duke Slavons.....	83
49	1876	Newport.....	I. W. Wiley.....	Duke Slavons.....	86
50	1877	Lexington.....	Thomas Bowman.	J. W. Muse.....	85
51	1878	Covington.....	Jesse T. Peck.....	J. D. Walsh.....	86
52	1879	Somerset.....	Levi Scott.....	J. D. Walsh.....	81
53	1880	Danville.....	M. Simpson.....	J. D. Walsh.....	86
54	1880	Hardinsburg.....	E. O. Haven.....	Benj. A. Stubbins.	85
55	1881	Maysville.....	S. M. Merrill.....	Benj. A. Stubbins.	76

# IN MEMORIAM.

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## ON THE DEATH OF PRESIDENT GARFIELD.

1. In common with the rest of the citizens of the United States, we, the members of the Kentucky Conference, of the Methodist Episcopal Church, were inexpressibly shocked and grieved by the assassination of President Garfield. The pain which we have suffered in consequence of this horrible event, has been greatly increased by the fact that this is the second case of the death of a President of the United States by the hand of violence. What is of rare occurrence even in the kingdoms and monarchies of the old world, has thus been brought home to us in Republican America; and we are compelled to bow our heads with mingled sorrow and mortification and shame.

2. While holding no one guilty for this great crime but the immediate author of it, we deprecate and condemn the bitterness of party feeling which has prevailed in the country, the disposition which has at times been manifested on the part of political leaders to carry their measures at any hazards, the abusive spirit of a large part of the partisan press, the readiness on the part of many of the people to attribute vileness of motives and vileness of means to all men in high positions who do not agree with themselves in political opinions and aims, and the intemperance which is abroad in the land—all tending to excite weak and vile men to the commission of acts of violence and crime.

3. In the death of President Garfield, we feel that the Union has lost one of its ablest and worthiest citizens, a notable type and representative of the institutions of the country, whose life promised to be for the benefit and glory of the people in all parts of the land; and we commend his virtues—his industry in boyhood; his aspirations and struggles for an education; his fortitude in the endurance of hardships; his manly courage; his patriotism; his patience under suffering; his character as a son, a husband and a father, and his trust in God—to the youth of the land for their study and imitation.

4. We invoke the blessing of God upon the mother, the widow and the children of the deceased President; and we pray that the spirit of wisdom, and prudence, and grace may be imparted to President Arthur in the trying circumstances which surround him in entering upon the exalted position to which he has been so strangely promoted, and that the divine oversight and protection may be continued to the people and the institutions of our country.

D. STEVENSON, *Chairman.* J. Y. DOBBINS,  
A. J. JUTKINS, J. G. BRUCE.

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## REPORT ON THE DEATH OF BISHOP E. O. HAVEN.

WHEREAS, Rev. Bishop E. O. Haven, D. D., late President of the Kentucky Conference, has since died; therefore,

*Resolved*, That we desire to express our sense of loss in the premature death



of this learned and prudent Superintendent, from whom we had a right to expect years of wise and faithful administration. We can not comprehend this dispensation of Providence. We can only bow submissively, "holding our peace even from good," and praying that his family and the Church may be sustained and provided for out of the infinite resources.

A. J. JUTKINS, J. Y. DOBBINS,  
D. STEVENSON, J. G. BRUCE.

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#### MEMOIR.

Rev. Samuel Turner, a superannuated member of the Kentucky Annual Conference, was born in Virginia, December 19, 1802. In early life he united with the Cumberland Presbyterian Church, but shortly after, having become acquainted with the doctrines and usages of the Methodist Church, and these being more in accordance with his views, he transferred his membership to that Church. February 25, 1823, he was married to Miss Charlotte Eades. She, with ten children, preceded him to the spirit world. In 1866, he was married to Miss Nancy McClellen, who, with two sons, survive. About the year 1834, he was licensed to preach, and received on trial in the Kentucky Conference, and continued a member until the division of the Church; but on that Conference deciding to go into the Church South, he refused to remain a member; and, it being inconvenient for him to leave the State, he located and moved to his farm in Muhlenburg County, Ky. Here he labored as a local preacher until 1867, when he was readmitted into the Kentucky Conference of the Church of his choice; and labored with great energy and zeal until, by a partial sunstroke, he was rendered incapable of doing effective work.

He possessed most excellent social qualities, and was most steadfast and immovable in his adherence to what he believed to be right. His attachment to old Methodism was strong and abiding to the last. He was deeply learned in the things of the Spirit. In his last sickness he never complained, but bore it with patience and Christian resignation; and, when the end came, November 19, 1880, he passed to his endless rest in glorious triumph. The last word he uttered, was "glory."

R. G. GARDINER, SILAS GREEN.

***A Semi-Centennial Sermon, delivered before the Kentucky Conference, of the Methodist Episcopal Church, in Maysville, Ky., September 30, 1881, by Rev. J. G. Bruce.***

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TEXT.—ISAIAH XL. 6-8.—“*The voice said, Cry. And he said, What shall I cry? All flesh is grass, and all the goodliness thereof is as the flower of the field: The grass withereth, the flower fadeth; because the Spirit of the Lord bloweth upon it: surely the people is grass. The grass withereth, the flower fadeth; but the word of our God shall stand forever.*”

No word which God has uttered shall fail. All his promises and all his threatenings are “yea and amen.” And however improbable in the estimation of men, his word shall not return unto him void, but shall accomplish that whereunto he hath sent it, and shall prosper in the same. Take the context. Direction is given to comfort his people, to speak comfortably to Jerusalem, giving assurance of a speedy deliverance from the warfare in which she was engaged—the pardon of her sins—and the advent of John; the herald of him, who, coming after him, was yet *before, higher and greater* than he—before whose advancing footsteps mountains should be brought low, valleys should rise, and the wilderness and solitary places be glad.

The magnitude and strength of the obstacles to be overcome, the very grandeur of the achievement and the feebleness of all apparent agencies by which it was to be accomplished, made men “stagger through unbelief at the promise,” and demand a “sign that they might believe.” God accommodates himself to human frailty, and duplicates his proofs that men may have no apology for unbelief. And the voice said, “Cry.” And he said, “What shall I cry?” Hear the answer: “All flesh is grass, and all the goodliness thereof is as the flower of the field.\* \* \* But the word of our God shall stand forever.” Sharp contrasts! The *dying grass*, the *fading flower*—the *abiding “word of God.”*

You count your foes, the vastness of their resources, and contrast them with your poverty, and enquire: “By whom shall Jacob arise, for he is small?” Who are these? *Grass*, the *flower* of grass, *frail, dying*—and while yet “the dread battalia frowns,” God strikes—his people are free!

“For the angel of Death spread his wings on the blast,  
And breathed on the face of the foe as he passed;  
And the eyes of the sleepers waxed deadly and chill,  
And their hearts but once heaved, and forever grew still.”

The thought already announced—God's word abides—is the one to which I hold your attention.

1. *God's word is truth* in its highest and most complete sense. Truth has been defined "the reality of things." And "truth came by Jesus Christ." "To this end came I into the world, that I should bear witness of the truth." St. Paul says, the gospel is the "word of truth."—Eph. i. 13. St. Peter styles it the "incorruptible seed which liveth and abideth forever."—1 Peter. i. 23. Its principles swelling and making vital, are "quick and powerful." Each of its periods is *essential truth*, announced because it is the truth, inherent in the nature of things, and it finds, so far as morals are concerned, its counterpart and proof in the consciences of men.—Rom. xi. 13-15; 2 Cor. iv. 2. This truth has been in the hands and hearts of men from the days of Moses, but it has known no change; no discoveries in science have marred a line or added a ray to its effulgence of light. Originating with and coming from God, it is complete in itself, and as incapable of improvement by human agency as the sun that walks the heavens to give light to the earth. God spake, it was done; he commanded, and it stood fast. "He gave the word, great was the company of them that published it." Error has thrown its shadow upon it, superstition has piled around it the rubbish of a false philosophy, human passion has surged against it—but the shadow was pierced by its light, the false philosophy has been consumed by its breath, and the storm of passion has been rolled back and lost in its own insignificant foam.

2. *This system of truth is demonstrable.* I do not now invite you to consider the proofs afforded by prophecies manifold and abundant; I do not propose to consider the many "signs and wonders, and divers miracles, and gifts of the Holy Ghost"—Heb. ii. 4—by which God attested apostolic preaching, but that which is within the reach of every human being. Not one man in a thousand is capable of following up through the details of history the evidences of the truth. They have neither the learning nor the leisure to conduct such inquiries. Comparatively few can grapple with the specious, subtle logic plied by infidel philosophers. God knew this. He therefore submitted his work to the test of experience and said, "Call, and I will answer;" "Ask, and ye shall receive;" "Seek, and ye shall find." Jesus said, "If any man will do his will, he *shall know* of the doctrine, whether it be of God, or whether I speak of myself."

I had a lady friend who was skeptical, one who read everything she could find in proof of Christianity. Still she doubted. Her oldest son was from home at school; he was sick unto death. She was sent for. She entered his room; death was setting his seal on that young brow. Regardless of every one else, she stood by his bed and asked, "My son, have you prayed?" "No, mother, you never taught me to pray." She said, "I thought I would die." She looked around the room and asked if any of them would offer a prayer. There was no response; and then, in the agony of a mother watching the flickering life of her first-born, she dropped upon her knees and poured out her soul to God. He heard, he answered. Peace came to her own heart, and, I trust, to her son's. In relating this experience to me, she said, "Is it

not strange?" I said, "No, madam, you sought in your own way to prove the truth, you failed; when you took God's way, you succeeded."

St. Paul, in Rom. x. 6-10, says, "But the righteousness which is of faith speaketh on this wise, Say not in thine heart, Who shall ascend into heaven? (that is, to bring Christ down from above:) or, Who shall descend into the deep? (that is, to bring up Christ again from the dead.) But what saith it? The word is nigh thee, even in thy mouth, and in thy heart: that is, the word of faith, which we preach; That if thou shalt confess with thy mouth the Lord Jesus, and shalt believe in thine heart that God hath raised him from the dead, thou shalt be saved. For with the heart man believeth unto righteousness; and with the mouth confession is made unto salvation." So men "taste the good word of God, and the powers of the world to come."—Heb. vi. 5. David, in Psalm xxxiv. 8, says, "O taste and see that the Lord is good." St. Peter says, "Ye have tasted that the Lord is gracious."—1 Peter ii. 3. David, in Psalm xl. 1-3, gives us his experimental test of these truths: "I waited patiently for the Lord; and he inclined unto me, and heard my cry. He brought me up also out of an horrible pit, out of the miry clay, and set my feet upon a rock, and established my goings. And he hath put a new song in my mouth, even praise unto our God."

Thus, all along the ages men "have set to their seals that God is true," and this inward consciousness of the divine approval has made the unlearned Scotch cook stronger than his master, David Hume; and held steady the ploughman when "the mistakes of Moses" were thrown across his pathway for the destruction of his faith. It has enabled men to tread with unsandaled feet the fiery furnace, and pass through without the smell of fire upon their garments; and meeting men in every condition of life, it has placed on every one of them, as they have been obedient, the crown of victory. So as proofs augment, as men are converted and sustained, the conviction is deepened that "the word of God abideth forever."

3. *The relation which it holds to man as a moral and accountable being points in the same direction.* The whole system of revealed truth proceeds upon the supposition of man's immortality, of his guilt and utter inability to relieve himself of the penalties he has incurred and regain the divine favor. It comes therefore to man and for man as an adequate remedy for the evils entailed by his fall. In this view of it, its relations to man are two-fold; a dispensation of light, and a dispensation of power. (1.) It is a dispensation of light, to give light to those who sit in darkness, to give the knowledge of God; for "the world by wisdom knew not God." The history of every nation which has peopled the earth attests this, and the nations who have not the word of God have not advanced beyond their predecessors. Asia yet gropes in darkness, wasting her population in long pilgrimages, and her substance in costly sacrifices laid upon altars, over which preside *dumb, dead* idols—stone or wood. Contrast her with Europe, where for centuries this Book has guided her statesmen, counseled her merchants, instructed her artisans, been a lamp to the feet of her agriculturists, a lantern to her herdsmen, its light shimmering

along her valleys, streaming up her mountain slopes, glowing in its fullness on their summits, and kindling in every house.

"Look on this picture, then on that."

Africa is to-day what she was when Abraham sojourned in Egypt; or Hannibal's troops hung upon the Alps, threatening the overthrow of Rome. The intervening centuries have not improved her. Animated by the same vulgar superstitions, she practices the same obscene and revolting rites, consecrating to the most debasing passions the shrines at which she worships. Contrast her with America, the land of but yesterday. See her crowded cities, her busy marts of trade, the sails of her commerce whitening every sea, her "railways, philosophy's best gift to man," stretching from the Atlantic seaboard to the Golden Gate of the Pacific. Look at her schools, her colleges, her universities of learning, her hospitals for the sick, her homes for the destitute, her orphan asylums, her churches. What made this difference? "The entrance of God's word giveth light!" "The pilgrim fathers" brought that word and set it upon the wild New England shore, and it gave light to all the land. *Africa rejected it*, and sunk into the vilest of the kingdoms.

(2.) But man is guilty. The slave of his passion, the servant of sin, he needs pardon; he is polluted, he needs purification; he is the subject of disappointment and suffering, he needs encouragement and support; he is doomed to die, he needs something which robs death of its terror, the grave of its gloom. All these the sure word of prophecy provides for. Does he ask, "What must I do to be saved?" it answers, "Believe on the Lord Jesus Christ, and thou shalt be saved." Does he ask, "Who shall deliver me from the body of this death?" the response comes, "Sin shall not have dominion over you, for ye are not under the law, but under grace." Does he inquire, "How can a man be just before God and clean in his sight?" the living word answers, "The blood of Jesus Christ cleanseth from all sin;" "can wash the leper clean, and make him white as snow." Are his plans deranged, his expectations cut off, until he says, "All these things are against me?" the answer comes, "What I do now thou knowest not, but thou shalt know hereafter."

Does death throw its shadow over his home, and hang its pall in his bed-chamber? A voice sounds from the sacred word, "I am the resurrection and the life, and because I live, ye shall live also!"

Thus keeping circuit with humanity, it must abide while men live, suffer, and die, and when they shall have passed away from earth, it shall still hold its place in that higher state to which, through its agency, they have been brought. I suppose that those who have entered into "that rest," hold their faith, and await the fulfillment of the promises. Abraham watches and waits the accomplishment of the promise, "In thee shall all the families of the earth be blessed." His eye is on the "cave of Machpelah," where his flesh rests in hope that there will be a resurrection. Isaiah waits in expectation that "the whole earth shall see the glory of the Lord." Micah holds the assurance—"They shall beat their swords into plough-shares, and their spears into pruning-hooks," that the confused noise of battle shall die away, and the garments rolled in blood be forgotten—"Nation shall not lift up sword against

nation, neither shall they learn war any more." David waits for "the heathen to be given to his Lord for an inheritance, and the uttermost parts of the earth for a possession." Faith has respect to all the promises of God. They can not be withdrawn until they are fulfilled. This can not be anterior to the resurrection of the dead, and the great day of the judgment of the great God. Till then *it must abide!*

When it has conducted the Church through the wilderness, and to the "city which hath foundations," will it pass away like a canceled bond? Or, like the cloud guiding Israel, take its place in the "true sanctuary which the Lord has pitched and not man;" the study and admiration of the saved, through all the whirling cycles of that eternity to which they have come; studied, that they may comprehend its wonderful utterances; admired, as the

"Most wondrous book! Bright candle of the Lord!  
Star of eternity! The only star  
By which the bark of man could navigate  
The sea of life, and gain the coast of bliss  
Securely; only star which rose on time,  
And, on its dark and troubled billows still,  
As generation drifting swiftly by  
Succeeded generation, threw a ray  
Of heaven's own light, and to the hill of God,  
The everlasting hill, pointed the sinner's eye."

Thus have I believed and taught for nearly fifty-one years, in which time I have seen multitudes lifted from the pit wherein there was no water, and placed upon the unyielding rock, and walking thenceforth in the paths of peace. I have seen "the dark Indian" pierced by "the sword of the spirit," yield to be saved by grace, rise and walk, leap and praise God.

In 1833, I attended a camp-meeting in Logan County, Ohio, at which were about one hundred and fifty Wyandotte Indians; among them, Mononcue, a local preacher. Special services were held for them in the afternoons. The Communion was administered at 3 o'clock on Sabbath, at the close of which Mononcue was asked to make an address to the white people. This had to be done through an interpreter. Sitting in a pulpit was General Simon Kenton, an old man leaning on his staff, and carrying on his body the scar of many a wound received at the hands of these red men, who had tracked him in blood and by him been tracked in blood. Mononcue spoke in a somewhat elevated and nervous style, of the influence of the gospel, and its happy effects upon those who embrace it. Turning with a grand abruptness to the women seated on his left, he said, "The time was, my white sisters, when you trembled at the sound of Mononcue's step. It was well, for Mononcue came with tomahawk and scalping knife, knowing only the war song and dance; but these men, (turning to the preachers behind him,) found me in the depths of my native forest, worshiping in the temples of my fathers; they told me of the cross of Christ by which the enmity of man to man is destroyed. I ran to that cross and buried the tomahawk and scalping knife, and to-day you greet Mononcue as brother." General Kenton, who was all attention, bathed in tears, sprang to his feet shouting, "What hath God wrought? Who could

have thought it?" caught Mononcue in his arms, and these old warriors, who had each struggled upon the plains or in the copse for the other's life, subdued by the truth, stood in tender embrace,

"Reconciled by love divine."

But the ultimate object of this system of truth is to lift men to the highest plane of intelligence and bliss. They are raised up "and made to sit together in heavenly places in Christ Jesus."—Eph. ii. 6. See Eph. i. and Col. i. 26, 27. In Phil. iii. 20, 21, we have, "For our conversation is in heaven; from whence also we look for the Savior, the Lord Jesus Christ: Who shall change our vile body, that it may be fashioned like unto his own glorious body." "This brings us to the river that can not be passed over."—Ez. xlvii. 5. And thought refuses to embody itself in words, until the lips touched by a live coal from the altar murmur, "Eye hath not seen, nor ear heard, neither have entered into the heart of man, the things which God hath prepared for them that love him."—I Cor. ii. 9. "O the depth of the riches, both of the wisdom and knowledge of God. \* \* \* For of him, and through him, are all things; to whom be glory forever."—Rom. xi. 33.

There remain to be considered some practical lessons suggested by this text.

The frailty of man. "He comes forth as a flower, beautiful to behold." What so exquisitely beautiful as a completely rounded form with its chiseled features? Look at it; but while you look, it fades and dies. Look at his intellect which elevates him above the brutes—a moment, "he seems to stoop to touch the loftiest thought," he forms opinions, he projects theories, sometimes setting himself to "destroy the foundations" of faith, and when his arrows have gone abroad, says, as a writer of the last century when closing a review of the Bible, "I have now gone through the Bible as a man would go through a woods with an axe on his shoulder and fell trees; here they lie, and the priests, if they can, may replant them; they may perhaps stick them in the ground, but they will never make them grow." "Ah, luckless speech, and bootless boast." The "Age of Reason" was the work of a gifted, but frail man, whose dust sleeps I know not where. Like the chaff of the summer thrashing-floor which the wind driveth away, it has been carried away before "the word of God which liveth and abideth forever." The tree has not fallen! Unharmful by "the axe" it stands, and grows, stretching out its giant branches to shade the faint, and its fruit is for the healing of the nations. Man, with all his pride of intellect, is but as grass, which to-day is and to-morrow is cast into the oven.

How frail the tenure by which he holds his place! "Man being in honor, continueth not." The thunder of applause which shook the dome of the capitol, as the feet of James A. Garfield ascended its height and he took the oath of his high office, had scarcely ceased until the nation stood uncovered, sorrowing at his grave.

Nations are subject to the same decay. History is largely the carrier of wrecked empires, which have said, as Babylon, "I sit as a queen, neither shall I mourn the loss of children." But the finger of God touched the bars of her

brazen gates, and the spider wove his web in her palaces, and the owl and bittern keep mournful watch.

Go to the southern limb of this continent; traverse Central America; and on plain and hill, where forests rise in unbroken grandeur, and seem to have been explored only by wild beasts, generation after generation has lived, struggled, triumphed in victory, felt the mortification of defeat, grown old and passed away as a dream; their names and language have perished; their moldering cities and crumbling arches attest their genius and taste, but oblivion has closed over their history.

“Their lonely columns stand sublime,  
Flinging their shadows from on high  
Like dials, which the wizard time  
Has raised, to count his ages by.”

No marvel that an infidel, as he looked out over this wide waste, exclaimed, “What is earth, but one vast Aceldama! Heap of ruins, field of blood! I wish to God I had never been born.” But God “has provided better things for us,” and placed in our hands an inextinguishable light which “explains all mysteries except its own.”

“Kings, kingdoms rise,  
Kings, kingdoms fall.”

But amid all these upheavals, these violent revolutions, this trampling in dust of crowns and scepters, this fading away of human beauty, the decay of manhood and overthrow of human policies, this light remains; “the star from on high,” shedding its beams on the pathway of the penitent that he may find Him who came “to seek and to save that which was lost,” that he may reach the infinite altar of sacrifice on which is inscribed, “He is the propitiation for our sins;” and above that, “Him that cometh to me, I will in nowise cast out.” And when the soul sits dumb in the shadow of a great affliction, and “all waves and billows go over him,” it reveals “all things work together for good to them that love God.” Look not at the things which are seen, for they are temporal; but at the things which are not seen, for they are *eternal*.

“Light for the darkened earth!  
Ye blest, its beams who shed,  
Shrink not till the day-spring hath its birth;  
’Till wherever the footsteps of man doth tread,  
Salvation’s banner spread broadly forth,  
Shall gild the dreams of the cradle-bed;  
And clear the tomb  
From its lingering gloom,  
For the aged to rest his weary head.”

Fifty years! That is a long period of time! Yes, as you stand and look down its untrodden avenues till the eye finds its utmost limit, and the imagination paints in the beyond elysian fields, where pleasure holds banquet, the swelling harmonies of music roll on in joyous refrain, gathering volume as they roll, till, caught by the far away escarp, they break into echoes and die.



Where flowers of rarest beauty gem each pathway, burdening every breeze with richest perfume. You long to tread those avenues, to stray in those fields, to catch the sound of that music, and inhale the perfume of those flowers, and you inquire impatiently, "How long?" But stop! repress your desire to get forward. You will go, but ah! you are through; the fifty years are behind you; turn and look. "An inch of time;" how short! And the elysian fields were not reached; but instead, the wilderness full of briers and thorns; the music the wail of disappointed hope, the sighing of the prisoner, and the groans of the dying; the flowers are thorns, and the butterfly has relapsed into the hated caterpillar, and you take up the lament, "Vanity of vanities, all is vanity." No! Not so! Fifty years spent bearing to men the message of eternal love, laboring to lift them into companionship with angels and fellowship with God, are not vanity. Along those years have been raised monuments of saving power. In these fifty years I have traversed Ohio from its beautiful river to the lakes on the north. My footfall has been heard in the valleys and on the grandly swelling mountains of West Virginia. For forty years Kentucky has been my field, and from her northern line to where long mountain ranges separate her from Tennessee, "I have fully preached the gospel of Christ." I have shunned no sunshine, no storm. I have lodged in the palatial home of the rich, and in the cabin of the poor; have known want, and had suffering for a companion; have had associated with me some of as pure and noble men as ever wore the image of God; and to-day, as memory treads back on the paths along which I came, familiar forms rise up, then sink from sight—the grave covers them. Of the fifteen men who have exercised over me the office of presiding elder, but three remain: Wm. Runnels, of Cleveland, Ohio; Bishop Kavanaugh, and Wm. M. Grubbs, of S. E., Indiana. Of the thirteen men who have been co-pastors with me, there remain only Dr. A. Miller, of Chicago, and Bishop R. S. Foster; while those to whom were given the earlier years of this ministry have fallen asleep.

Ah—"I feel like one  
Who treads alone  
Some banquet hall deserted,  
Whose lights are fled,  
Whose garlands dead,  
And all but him departed."

Nevertheless, though I can not say with Caleb, "As my strength was then, even so is my strength now for war, both to go out and to come in." I say with Paul, "I am ready to preach the gospel," and if I had another young manhood, I would lay it upon God's altar and be a Methodist preacher; and if now I may not be able to stand "where fire and smoke are the thickest," and say, Come! I will hang upon your flank, or following in your rear, shout:

"Onward, Christian soldiers!  
Marching as to war,  
With the cross of Jesus  
Going on before.  
Christ, the royal Master,  
Leads against the foe;  
Forward into battle,  
See, his banners go!"