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MINUTES
OF THE
ANNUAL CONFERENCES
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FOR THE YEAR
1856—57.

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B I S H O P S
OF THE
METHODIST EPISCOPAL CHURCH, SOUTH.

JOSHUA SOULE, D. D.,
NASHVILLE, TENN.

JAMES OSGOOD ANDREW, D. D.,
SUMMERFIELD, ALA.

ROBERT PAINE, D. D.,
ABERDEEN, MISS.

GEORGE FOSTER PIERCE, D. D.,
CULVERTON, GA.

JOHN EARLY, D. D.,
LYNCHBURG, VA.

HUBBARD HINDE KAVANAUGH, D. D.,
VERSAILLES, KY.

MINUTES.

1.—KENTUCKY CONFERENCE.

HELD AT WINCHESTER, KY., *September 17–23, 1856.*

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

QUESTION 1. What preachers are admitted on trial?

ANSWER. John S. Cone, James Randall, Jesse B. Locke, Hiram P. Walker, George W. Smith, Jeremiah Strother. 6.

R. T. P. Allen, W. B. Kavanaugh, elders, readmitted.

Ques. 2. Who remain on trial?

Wm. B. Chamberlain, Seneca X. Hall, Oliver W. Landreth, John M. Johnson, Peter E. Kavanaugh, Jos. B. Smith, David Walk, Milton Mann, James Gragg, Elias Botner. 10.

Ques. 3. Who are admitted into full connection?

James L. Gragg, Thos. J. Godby, Wm. H. Winter. 3.

Ques. 4. Who are the deacons?

David B. Cooper, Lemuel D. Parker, and those admitted and ordained, as above. 5.

Ques. 5. Who have been elected and ordained elders this year?

William T. Benton. 1.

Ques. 6. Who have located this year?

Franklin W. Phillips, Allen F. Scruggs. 2.

Ques. 7. Who are the supernumeraries?

John Sandusky, Anselm Miner, Samuel Veach, John F. Vanpelt, George W. Malley. 5.

Ques. 8. Who are the superannuated or worn-out preachers?

Benjamin T. Crouch, John Tevis, Isaac Collard, Jonathan Stamper, Thomas Hall, William Atherton, Thomas R. Malone, Orson Long, John James. 9.

Ques. 9. Who have been expelled from the Connection this year?

None.

Ques. 10. Who have withdrawn from the Connection this year?

None.

Ques. 11. Are all the preachers blameless in life and conversation?

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

Charges against James E. Nix, referred to the Presiding Elder of the Shelbyville District for investigation.

Hamilton P. Johnson, referred as above.

Ques. 12. Who have died this year?

William Burke, Richard J. Dungan. 2.

WILLIAM BURKE was a native of Virginia, and among the first-fruits of Methodism in the section of the State where he was brought up. He was awakened and converted in the month of March, and in June of the same year he commenced his ministerial career. According to his own statement, he was then about twenty years of age.

He was sent to Kentucky as a pioneer, in 1790, where he was exposed to the tomahawk and scalping-knife of the bloodthirsty savage; but his love of souls induced him to face the dangers and endure the privations of a frontier missionary. He wended his way through the canebrakes and pathless forests of the wilderness-country, in search of the cabin of the emigrant, where he preached Jesus and the resurrection. At two different periods he commanded a company to guard Bishop Asbury to his first Conferences in this State. No man has contributed to the building up

of Methodism in this country more than the beloved and heroic Burke. He devoted the strength of his manhood to this work, and sacrificed one of the best constitutions that any man ever had. He stood up the bold and unflinching defender of Methodism, when opposition, like a flood, came in from every quarter. He was a man of no ordinary talents. He was truly an intellectual giant. He devoted all his powers to the service of the Church. His ministry was greatly blessed in the conversion and building up of thousands in Christ Jesus. His deeds of daring, his unconquerable zeal and perseverance, will not be soon forgotten. The hoary-headed fathers and mothers of these days speak of Burke with veneration. He came the messenger of God to them, when they were surrounded with wolves and Indians: he preached for them in their cabins, and prayed for them and their children. Many that are now grown gray, were converted in their youth under the preaching of this man of God.

But he is now gone to his reward. He lived to a good old age, and saw the tens that he had gathered into the Church multiplied into thousands. He died in the eighty-eighth year of his age. He was prepared for death. When his hour came, he was full of hope and joy in the Holy Ghost; and departed in the full triumphs of a victorious faith, on the 6th day of November, 1856.

As to RICHARD J. DUNGAN's early history, we have but little information, only that he was an orphan boy, cast upon the charity of the world when quite a child. He was apprenticed to the tanning business; and, during his apprenticeship, joined the Methodist E. Church, and was happily converted to God. He lived during this youthful period a consistent and pious life. When he came to man's estate, he felt that it was his duty to preach the gospel. After making known to his brethren his convictions of duty, he was licensed to preach, and recommended to the Kentucky Conference for admission into the travelling connection, in the autumn of 1823, and was received and appointed to the John's Creek Circuit.

At the close of this year, he was transferred to Missouri, where he travelled two years; at the end of which he returned to Kentucky. He continued to travel in the Kentucky Conference until 1835, when, from feeble health and family circumstances, he was induced to locate. He did not, however, long remain in a local relation—perhaps not more than one or two years—but reentered the Kentucky Conference, and continued until 1845, when he again located, and remained local until last autumn. Having lost his wife, and his children being in a condition to provide for themselves, he again entered into the itinerancy. But his work this time was a short one. On

the 1st of December he was attacked by the disease that terminated in his death on the 9th day of February, 1856. He died as he had lived, a devoted servant of God. His end was peace. His disease was such, that he could converse but little; but during his illness, he often shouted the praises of God.

Richard J. Dungan was a faithful minister of Jesus Christ. His talents were not brilliant, but of the useful cast. He possessed great pathos, and there was an earnestness in his manner that won upon the affections and hearts of his hearers. His memory is embalmed in the hearts of many that he was instrumental in leading to the cross.

Ques. 13. What numbers are in our Church in the bounds of the Conference?

Lexington District.

	White Mem's.	White Prob's.	Col'd Mem's.	Col'd Prob's.	Loc'l Fr's.
Lexington.....	220	1	529	77	11
Frankfort.....	115	.....	157	40	7
Versailles & Georgetown.	175	7	374	10	11
Nicholasville.....	130	35	270	16	2
Jessamine and Woodford.	296	5	78	.....	2
Winchester and Mt. Zion.	189	15	170	30	4
Vienna.....	162	6	10	.....	1
Paris & North Middleton.	105	23	227	76	4
Mount Sterling.....	164	4	70	20	1
Oxford.....	130	1	101	9	.....
Leesburg.....	435	59	119	33	6
	2121	166	2105	310	49

Harrodsburg District.

Harrodsburg.....	227	3	110	2	.....
Danville.....	127	6	140	35	1
Perryville.....	404	.....	123	.....	2
Lancaster.....	314	62	65	4	3
Richmond.....	117	26	237	10	5
Madison.....	270	16	114	4	4
Crab Orchard.....	215	13	18	2	2
Somerset.....	557	50	20	.....	20
Salvisa.....	331	6	111	.....	4
Willisburg.....	35	.....	.....	.....	.....
	2597	182	938	57	41

Shelbyville District.

Shelbyville.....	173	.....	132	.....	4
Shelby Circuit.....	225	29	139	7	3
Simpsonville.....	175	6	35	6	2
Taylorsville.....	181	9	47	.....	2
Bloomfield.....	249	35	101	46	2
La Grange and Westport.	117	23	41	.....	2
Floydsburg.....	276	12	81	1	2
New-Castle.....	173	6	.....	.....	2
Bedford.....	500	61	28	4	7
Lockport.....	240	36	7	36	2
Lawrenceburg.....	207	.....	27	.....	2
	2516	217	638	100	30

Covington District.

Covington, Scott Street...	204	.....	8	.....	1
“ Soule Chapel..	79	.....	15	.....	.....
Newport.....	194	12	2	.....	1
Alexandria.....	346	60	10	.....	8
Falmouth.....	409	40	56	.....	3
Millersburg.....	117	6	114	.....	2
Cynthiana.....	173	23	98	135	.....
Carlisle.....	420	81	32	.....	3

Covington District, (continued.)

	White Mem's.	White Prob's.	Col'd Mem's.	Col'd Prob's.	Loc'l Pr's.
Carrolton.....	150	3	31	4	1
Warsaw.....	106	10	.....	.....	1
Owenton & Eagle Creek Miss.....	407	...	20	.....	4
Crittenden.....	342	24	52	1	7
Burlington.....	430	20	10	.....	8
	3377	279	448	140	39

Maysville District.

Maysville.....	116	8	10	.....	.....
Wash'ton and Germant'n	291	5	46	.....	.....
Shannon and Sardis.....	170	6	9	.....	2
Minerva.....	161	74	17	1	2
Sardis.....	248	52	.....	3	.....
Orangeburg.....	164	4	12	.....	1
Lewis.....	278	10	13	2	2
Flemmingsburg.....	347	29	79	3	5
Poplar Plains.....	577	33	27	.....	4
Sharpsburg and Bethel...	155	22	60	22	3
Owingsville.....	223	6	14	2	1
	2730	249	287	33	20

West Liberty District.

Pikeville.....	250	140	15	2	7
Prestonsburg.....	214	432	6	8	3
Jackson Mission.....	120	.....	2	.....	3
West Liberty Mission....	158	.....	.....	.....	4
Irvine.....	359	92	20	4	6
Letcher and Perry.....	200	15	.....	.....	6
Highland Mission.....	186	2	32	1	8
	1487	681	75	15	37

Barboursville District.

Barboursville and Man- chester.....	223	51	49	5	7
London Mission.....	172	76	3	19	4
Williamsburg Mission...	188	47	.....	.....	4
Mount Pleasant and Yel- low Creek Mission.....	386	40	14	.....	6
Mount Vernon.....	53	7	2	.....	1
	1022	221	68	24	22

Recapitulation.

Lexington District.....	2121	156	2105	310	49
Harrodsburg ".....	2597	182	938	57	41
Shelbyville ".....	2516	217	638	100	30
Covington ".....	3377	279	448	140	39
Maysville ".....	2730	249	287	33	20
West Liberty ".....	1487	681	75	15	37
Barboursville ".....	1022	221	68	24	22
Total this year.....	15,850	1985	4559	679	238
Last year.....	16,548	1331	5267	720	254
Increase.....		654			
Decrease.....	698		708	41	16

Ques. 14. What amounts are necessary for the superannuated preachers, and the widows and orphans of preachers, and to make up the deficiencies of those who have not obtained their regular allowance on the circuits?

\$7096 60.

Ques. 15. What has been collected on the foregoing accounts, and how has it been applied?

Collected, \$863 77

Applied as follows:

To deficient preachers, widows, and orphans, \$863 77

Ques. 16. What has been contributed for the support of Missions, what for the publication of Tracts and Sunday-school books, and what to aid the American Bible Society and its auxiliaries?

For Missions, \$3063 65

Tracts, 1028 75

Sunday-school books, 435 19

American Bible Society and its auxiliaries, 128 85

Ques. 17. Where are the preachers stationed this year?

LEXINGTON DISTRICT.

John G. Bruce, P. E.

Lexington, *John H. Linn.*

Frankfort, *John C. Harrison.*

Versailles and Georgetown, *Hartwell J. Perry.*

Nicholasville, *Wm. J. Snively.*

Jefferson and Woodford, to be supplied.

Winchester and Mount Zion, *Henry C. Northcott.*

Vienna, to be supplied.

Paris and North Middleton, *John R. Eads.*

Mount Sterling, *Joseph Rand.*

Oxford, *Wm. W. Chamberlain.*

Leesburg, *Wm. G. Johns, Samuel Veach,*
Sup'y.

HARRODSBURG DISTRICT.

Jesse Bird, P. E.

Harrodsburg, *Edward P. Buckner.*

Danville, *Lewis G. Hicks.*

Perryville, *David Walk, J. Sandusky,* Sup'y.

Lancaster, *Thos. J. Godby.*

Richmond, *David W. Axline.*

Madison, *Milton Mann, Oliver W. Landreth.*

Crab Orchard, *John L. Gragg.*

Somerset, to be supplied.

Salvisa, *John M. Johnson.*

Maxville, *Lemuel D. Parker, Anselm Miner,*
Sup'y.

SHELBYVILLE DISTRICT.

W. M'D. Abbett, P. E.

Shelbyville, *John W. Cunningham.*

Shelby Circuit, *John C. C. Thompson, J. F. Vanpelt,* Sup'y.

Simpsonville, *Wm. C. Dandy.*

Taylorsville, *Geo. W. Merritt.*

Bloomfield, *Wm. M. Grubbs.*

La Grange and Westport, *Geo. W. Brush.*

Floydsburg, *Seraiah S. Deering.*

Shelbyville District, (continued.)

Newcastle and Bedford, *Jeremiah Strother*.
 Lockport, *Peter E. Kavanaugh*.
 Lawrenceburg, *Robert T. P. Allen*.
 Anderson, *Wm. T. Benton*.

COVINGTON DISTRICT.

Thos. N. Ralston, P. E.

Covington, *John S. Bayless, Orson Long*,
 Sup'y.
 Newport, *Daniel Stevenson, G. W. Maley*,
 Sup'y.
 Alexandria, *Williams B. Kavanaugh*.
 Falmouth, *Caleb T. Hill*.
 Millersburg, *Thos. P. C. Shellman*.
 Cynthiana, *Joseph B. Smith*.
 Carlisle, *Ephraim M. Cole*.
 Carrolton, *Drummond Welburn*.
 Warsaw, *David B. Cooper*.
 Owenton and Eagle Mission, *Thomas Rankin*.
 Crittenden, *Wm. E. Wilmott*.
 Burlington, *Joel W. Ridgel*.
Lorenzo D. Huston, Editor of Home Circle
 and Sunday-school Visitor.

MAYSVILLE DISTRICT.

Robert Hiner, P. E.

Maysville, *Samuel L. Robinson*.
 Washington and Germantown, *John C. Hardy*.
 Shannon and Sardis, *Thos. F. Vanmeter*.
 Minerva, *Wm. C. Atmore*.

N. B. Those whose names are printed in italics are elders.

Sardis Circuit, *Franklin T. Johns*.
 Orangeburg, *Seneca X. Hall*.
 Lewis, *Wm. E. Littleton*.
 Flemmingsburg, *Jas. C. Miner*.
 Poplar Plains, *Wm. M. Vize*.
 Sharpsburg, *Jedediah Foster*.
 Owingsville, *Leroy C. Danley*.

WEST LIBERTY DISTRICT.

Elkanah Johnson, P. E.

Pikeville, *George W. Smith*.
 Prestonsburg, *Hiram P. Walker*.
 Jackson Mission, *James A. Gragg*.
 West Liberty, *James Randall*.
 Irvine, *Wm. H. Winter*.
 Letcher and Perry Mission, to be supplied.
 Highland Mission, *Jesse B. Lock*.

BARBOURSVILLE DISTRICT.

Wm. B. Landrum, P. E.

Barboursville and Manchester, *John S. Cone*.
 London Mission, *Elias Botner*.
 Yellow Creek Mission, to be supplied.
 Mount Pleasant Mission, to be supplied.
 Williamsburg Mission, to be supplied.
 Mount Vernon Mission, to be supplied.
John M. Bonnell, transferred to Alabama
 Conference.

Ques. 18. Where and when shall our
 next Conference be held?

At Lexington, Ky., September 16, 1857.

2.—LOUISVILLE CONFERENCE.

HELD AT ELIZABETHTOWN, KY., October 1-6, 1856.

BISHOP EARLY, *President*; JAMES H. OWEN, *Secretary*.

QUESTION 1. What preachers are admitted on trial?

ANSWER. James S. M'Daniel, James E. Bradley, Frederick W. Traeger, George C. Crumbaugh, Gabriel Hardison, John J. Barnett, James R. Abernathy, Enoch M. Crow, Thomas J. Mercer. 9.

Ques. 2. Who remain on trial?

Thomas B. Lewis, Wm. Childers, Cornelius D. Donaldson, Jeremiah J. Talbot, Gideon Gooch, Wm. W. Lambuth, Little-

berry P. Crenshaw, Charles F. Quellmaltz. 8.

Ques. 3. Who are admitted into full connection?

William W. Cook, James W. Taylor, Benjamin F. Wilson, Charles Y. Boggess, Thos. G. Bosley, Bryant T. Cundiff, David D. Moore. 7.

Ques. 4. Who are the deacons?

Robt. C. Alexander, Dubartis F. Dempsey, David Morton, James C. Petrie, and those admitted and ordained, as above. 11.

Ques. 5. Who have been elected and ordained elders this year?

Artemas Brown, James E. Carnes. 2.

Ques. 6. Who have located this year?

Henry C. Stevens. 1.

Ques. 7. Who are the supernumeraries?

Richard R. D. Neal, E. M. Walker, A. L. Alderson, Samuel F. Johnson, David Morton. 5.

Ques. 8. Who are the superannuated or worn-out preachers?

Richard Tydings, A. C. De Witt, Geo. W. Taylor, Joel Peake, James King, Jas. J. Ferree, Abram Long, John B. Perry, Eli B. Crain, William T. Downard, George R. Browder, Robert Y. Thomas, Jack W. Kasey. 13.

Ques. 9. Who have been expelled from the Connection this year?

None.

Ques. 10. Who have withdrawn from the Connection this year?

None.

Ques. 11. Are all the preachers blameless in life and conversation?

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

Ques. 11. Who have died this year?

None.

Ques. 13. What numbers are in our Church in the bounds of the Conference?

Hardinsburg District.

	White Mem's.	White Prob's.	Col'd Mem's.	Col'd Prob's.	Loc'l Pr's.
Hardinsburg Circuit.....	580	20	90	10	5
Big Spring ".....	511	52	46	.....	3
Brandenburg.....	176	42	42	14	4
Elizabethtown and Hodginsville.....	440	36	70	11	2
Millerstown.....	400	108	13	2	3
Litchfield.....	482	38	21	3	3
Hawesville.....	419	65	27	.....	7
Hartford.....	428	37	56	.....	4
Rough Creek Mission...	96	.....	.....	.....	.....
Mumfordsville.....	224	.....	15	.....	2
	3756	398	380	40	33

Henderson District.

Henderson Station.....	130	11	40	.....	1
Henderson Circuit.....	539	96	30	.....	6
Morganfield.....	282	24	7	.....	3
Madisonville.....	381	161	172	29	5
Rumsey.....	258	15	15	10	4
Calhoun.....	125	24	6	1	2
Owensboro' Station.....	73	.....	3	.....	1
Yelvington.....	239	18	44	8	1
Providence Mission.....	91	19	.....	.....	.....
Marion.....	352	.....	26	.....	1
	2470	368	343	48	24

Smithland District.

Smithland Station.....	109	3	50	16	1
Smithland Circuit.....	161	40	16	1	3
Salem.....	220	20	3	20	3
Eddyville.....	197	80	15	2	3
Empire Iron Works.....	122	32	5	8	.....
Princeton.....	114	7	36	.....	2
Cadiz.....	375	3	30	.....	.....
Lafayette.....	210	11	40	3	2
Hopkinsville Circuit.....	246	38	41	6	2
North Christian Mission.	184	71	5	1	1
	1938	305	241	47	17

Louisville District.

	White Mem's.	White Prob's.	Col'd Mem's.	Col'd Prob's.	Loc'l Pr's.
Brook Street.....	233	16	200	.....	3
Louis. German City Miss.	10	22	.....	.....	.....
Louisville Bethel Miss...	40	.....	.....	.....	.....
Third Street.....	108	.....	1	.....	3
Walnut Street.....	337	30	.....	.....	2
Eighth Street.....	186	27	416	125	6
Shelby Street.....	240	4	.....	.....	3
Asbury.....	50	10	.....	.....	1
East Louisville Mission..	78	62	.....	.....	2
West Louisville Mission.	96	3	.....	.....	.....
Shippingsport.....	36	46	.....	.....	1
Twelfth Street.....	199	17	130	.....	1
	1613	237	747	125	22

Russellville District.

Russellville Station.....	190	20	125	20	4
Logan Circuit.....	510	52	325	35	9
Elkton Circuit.....	231	44	300	24	4
Hopkinsville and Garretttsburg.....	121	8	148	22	2
Todd Circuit.....	400	.....	35	.....	4
Rochester Mission.....	292	69	19	1	5
Franklin Circuit.....	452	.....	68	.....	3
Bowling Green Circuit...	302	28	25	12	3
Greenville Circuit.....	417	44	80	.....	13
	2915	265	1125	114	47

Bardstown District.

Bardstown Station.....	89	8	115	7	1
Lebanon Circuit.....	500	32	207	.....	2
Campbellsville.....	476	57	17	6	4
New Haven.....	76	.....	20	.....	.....
Mount Washington and Shepherdsville.....	75	14	18	2	2
Jeffersontown.....	180	19	81	.....	3
Middletown.....	87	10	.....	.....	.....
Louisville Circuit.....	113	12	40	18	1
Greenwood.....	25	2	.....	.....	.....
West Point.....	395	35	50	4	4
	2016	189	548	37	17

Glasgow District.

Scottsville Circuit.....	914	175	32	15	9
Mammoth Cave.....	262	30	25	.....	5
Glasgow Circuit.....	388	41	52	5	6
Greensburg Circuit.....	385	44	69	5	3
Tompkinsville.....	598	30	72	.....	6
Cumberland Mission.....	99	.....	.....	.....	1
Albany.....	813	60	53	3	8
Wayne.....	367	36	21	.....	6
Liberty.....	300	20	30	.....	5
Columbia.....	573	16	82	.....	5
Bowling Green Station...	100	2	135	1	.....
	4799	454	571	29	54

Recapitulation.

	White Mem's.	White Prob's.	Col'd Mem's.	Col'd Prob's.	Lec'l Pr's.
Louisville District.....	1613	237	747	125	22
Bardstown "	2016	189	548	37	17
Hardinsburg "	3766	398	380	40	33
Henderson "	2470	368	343	48	24
Smithland "	1938	305	241	47	17
Russelville "	2915	265	1125	114	47
Glasgow "	4799	454	571	29	54
Total this year	19,507	2216	3955	440	214
Total last year.....	19,416	1682	3756	272	198
Increase this year...	91	534	199	168	16

Ques. 14. What amounts are necessary for the superannuated preachers, and the widows and orphans of preachers, and to make up the deficiencies of those who have not obtained their regular allowance on the circuits?

\$6494 37.

Ques. 15. What has been collected on the foregoing accounts, and how has it been applied?

Conference collections,	\$470 00
For necessitous cases,	195 25

	\$665 25

Applied to superannuated preachers, etc.

Ques. 16. What has been contributed for the support of Missions, what for the publication of Tracts and Sunday-school books, and what to aid the American Bible Society and its auxiliaries?

For Missions,	\$4008 85
Tracts,	831 05
Sunday-school books,	1183 46
Bible Society,	674 78

Ques. 17. Where are the preachers stationed this year?

LOUISVILLE DISTRICT.

James H. Owen, P. E.

Louisville,	Brook Street, George W. Smiley.
"	Bethel, Wm. Holman.
"	Jackson Street, colored, to be supplied.
"	Walnut Street, Sam'l L. Adams.
"	Third Street, to be supplied.
"	Eighth Street, James R. Dempsey.
"	Centre Street, colored, to be supplied.
"	Shelby Street, Thomas Bottomly.
"	German Mission, F. W. Traeger.
"	Hancock and Asbury, James A. Henderson, (one to be supplied.)

Louisville, { Twelfth Street, Alex. M' Cown.
" { Green Street, colored, to be supplied.
Portland and Shippingsport, Thomas G. Bosley.
Middletown, Francis A. Morris.
Mt. Washington and Jeffersontown, Gideon Gooch.
Louisville Circuit, James R. Abernathy, R. D. Neale, Sup'y.
Edward Stevenson, Book Agent.
Edmund W. Schon, Missionary Secretary.

BARDSTOWN DISTRICT.

Albert H. Redford, P. E.

Bardstown and Bardstown Mission, M. N. Lasley.
Lebanon and Springfield, Jeremiah J. Talbot.
Bradfordsville, Isaac W. Emerson.
New Haven, Benjamin F. Wilson.
Elizabethtown and Hodgenville, Schuyler L. Murrell.
Big Spring, Dubartis F. Dempsey.
West Point, Charles Y. Boggess.
Brandenburg, Samuel D. Akin.
Millerstown, Robert C. Alexander.
Campbellsville, James H. Bristow.
Thomas J. Moore, Tract Agent.

HARDINSBURG DISTRICT.

Nathaniel H. Lee, P. E.

Hardinsburg Circuit, Joseph D. Barnett, Jas. E. Bradley.
Hawesville, Joseph F. Redford.
Owensboro', Artemas Brown.
Calhoun, George C. Crumbaugh.
Hartford, Wm. Neikirk.
Morganfield, Hartwell T. Burge.
Rumsey, James S. M'Daniel.
Henderson, William Randolph.
Henderson Circuit, James Morris.
Madisonville, William W. Cook.
Green River Mission, Gabriel Hardison.
Litchfield Mission, Enoch M. Crow.
Robert G. Gardiner, Principal of Hardinsburg Male and Female High Schools.

SMITHLAND DISTRICT.

Z. M. Taylor, P. E.

Smithland Station, Wm. Alexander.
Dycusburg, Thomas D. Lewis.
Marion, John J. Barnett.
Princeton, (to be supplied.)
Eddyville, Allison Akin.
Empire Iron Works, William Childers.
Cadiz, John Randolph.
Lafayette, James C. Petrie.
Hopkinsville Circuit, Robt. W. Trimble, Saml. F. Johnson, Sup'y.

HOPKINSVILLE DISTRICT.

*James S. Wools, P. E.*Hopkinsville and Garrettsburg, *Joseph Maxwell*Christian Mission, *Wm. W. Mann.*Russelville, *Silas Lee*, David Morton, Sup'y.Elkton, *Wm. H. Morrison.*Logan, *Learner B. Davidson.*Todd, *Robert M' Cown.*

Bowling Green, David D. Moore.

Bowling Green Circuit, *Joseph S. Scobee.*Greenville, *Timothy C. Frogge.*Franklin, *Abraham Quick.*Rochester Mission, *Henry C. M'Quown.**James E. Carnes*, Principal of Russelville Female Institute.Liberty Mission, *Absalom Davis.*

Wayne, Bryant A. Cundiff.

Albany, *Cornelius D. Donaldson.*

Tompkinsville, James W. Taylor.

Scottsville, *Jacob P. Goodson.*

New Row, Thomas J. Mercer.

Columbia, Littleberry P. Crenshaw.

Greensburg, *Aaron Moore.*Munfordsville, W. W. Lambuth, *A. L. Alderson*, Sup'y.*Drummond Welburn*, transferred to the Kentucky Conference.*Robert G. Loving*, transferred to the Missouri Conference.*Charles F. Quellmaltz*, transferred to the Memphis Conference.

GLASGOW DISTRICT.

*Robert Fisk, P. E.*Glasgow, *George H. Hays.*Mammoth Cave Mission, *Wm. E. Edmunds.*

Ques. 18. Where and when shall our next Conference be held?

At Smithland, Ky., September 30, 1857.

3.—MISSOURI CONFERENCE.

HELD AT LOUISIANA, MO., Sept. 24–Oct. 1, 1856.

BISHOP PIERCE, *President*; WILLIAM M. RUSH, *Secretary*.

QUESTION 1. What preachers are admitted on trial?

ANSWER. Anderson Crithfield, William A. Tarwater, David R. Shackelford, Henry H. Craig, Joseph M. Breeding, Jesse Faubion, Samuel K. Fowler. 7.

Readmitted, in elders' orders, Thomas De Moss. 1.

Ques. 2. Who remain on trial?

John W. Cook, Levi T. M'Neily, Denizen Mason, Carr W. Pritchett, Robert A. Austin, Joab Spencer, Levin M. Lewis. 7.

Ques. 3. Who are admitted into full connection?

*Benjamin F. Johnson, *John W. Maddox, *Samuel C. Littlepage, *Jephtha Tillery, *John W. Penn, *Louis Baldwin, Thomas Hurst, elder. 7.

Ques. 4. Who are the deacons?

John C. C. Davis, William Penn, Wm. M. Newland, Wesley G. Miller, Hiram A. Davis, Ambrose P. Linn, and those admitted and ordained, as above. 12.

Ques. 5. Who have been elected and ordained elders this year?

George W. Rich, Henry H. Hedgepeth, Lilburn Rush. 3.

Ques. 6. Who have located this year?

George H. Newton, Richard Minshall, John W. Ellis. 3.

Ques. 7. Who are the supernumeraries?

Martin L. Eads, Benjamin S. Ashby. 2.

Ques. 8. Who are the superannuated or worn-out preachers?

Jephtha M. Kelly, Tison Dines, Jeremiah F. Riggs, William Holmes, John P. Keene. 5.

Question 9. Who have been expelled from the Connection this year?

None.

Ques. 10. Who have withdrawn from the Connection this year?

Maximilian Sutro. 1.

Ques. 11. Are all the preachers blameless in life and conversation?

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

Ques. 12. Who have died this year?
William Patton. 1.

WILLIAM PATTON died "in the faith" and in great peace at Weston, Missouri, on the 14th of March, 1856. He was born in Montgomery county, Virginia, on the 5th of January, 1796, and received an early religious training from pious parents. At a camp-meeting held in Giles county, Virginia, in the autumn of 1820, he was happily and soundly converted to God. One year afterward, at the session of the Tennessee Conference, held in Bedford county, November, 1821, he was received on trial in the travelling connection, and was appointed to New River Circuit, lying in Virginia. In Oct., 1822, the Conference was held at Ebenezer Meeting-house, Greene county, Tennessee, at which he was appointed to Tazewell Circuit. In November, 1823, at the Conference held in Huntsville, Alabama, he was ordained deacon, and appointed to Clinch Circuit. At the General Conference which met in May, 1824, the Holston Annual Conference was organized, and held its first session at Knoxville, in November, 1824, at which Brother Patton, being a member, was appointed to Abingdon Circuit, on which he remained by reappointment for two years. Subsequently he travelled the Blountville Circuit one year, the Jonesborough Circuit two years, the Greene Circuit one year, and at the session of the Conference for 1830, held at the Ebenezer Meeting-house, Greene county, Tennessee, he was appointed to the Abingdon Station, where he remained one year, and was removed to the Ashville District, which he travelled two years, and was then removed to the Knoxville District, where he remained three years. At the Conference held in the autumn of 1836, he was appointed to the Abingdon District, where he travelled one year, and in 1837 was transferred to the Missouri Conference, and for two years travelled on the St. Charles Circuit. At the Conference held at Fayette in 1839, he was appointed to the St. Charles District, where he remained two years, and was then placed in charge of the Fourth Street Church, in St. Louis. At the Conference for 1842, he was appointed to the Fayette Circuit, and reappointed in 1843. At the Conferences for 1844 and 1845, he was appointed in charge of the Columbia District, where he also acted as agent for Howard High School. In 1846, he was transferred to the Indian Mission Conference, and spent one year in charge of the Shawnee Manual Labor School. In 1847, he was transferred back to the Missouri Conference, and spent three years successively in charge of the Weston District. In 1850, he was removed to the St. Charles District, where he labored during two years more. He then, in 1852, accepted an agency for the American

Bible Society, in the faithful service of which he spent the remainder of his days.

Brother Patton was a member of the General Conferences of 1828, 1836, and 1844; also, of the Convention at Louisville in 1845, and of the General Conferences of 1846, 1850, and 1854.

As a preacher, William Patton was everywhere well received, faithful and useful. Devoted and diligent, he ever kept his calling and work in view, and assiduously applied himself to do all the work of a Methodist preacher. Few men were ever more devoted, diligent, regular, or constant to the work of the ministry. He had a good mind, which, by persevering industry, became well cultivated, and for many years his judgment and counsels were highly appreciated and much relied on by those who knew him best.

As a Christian, he was a man of strong faith and much prayer. His secret devotions were earnest and frequent, his watchfulness great; hence he lived near to God; and though often called to suffer and suffer greatly, he was calm, patient, and uncomplaining. His sermons were prepared with great care, and delivered with that earnestness and impressiveness that made a deep impression, and caused them to be long remembered. Cheerful without levity, serious without melancholy, his example among his younger brethren and before the Church and world was most wholesome. To his one work for more than thirty-four years he devoted his time and consecrated all his powers. He lived a faithful life, and died a tranquil, happy death.

Ques. 13. What numbers are in our Church in the bounds of the Conference?

St. Charles District.

	White Mem's.	White Prob's.	Col'd Mem's.	Col'd Prob's.	Loc'l Pr's.
St. Charles Circuit.....	140	32	55	7	2
Warrenton ".....	228	81	20	5	1
Flint Hill ".....	210	70	18	10	2
Danville ".....	324	73	64	3	2
Fulton ".....	267	100	63	20	2
Mexico Mission.....	173	18	3	.....	3
Middletown Mission.....	362	18	29	2	4
Auburn Circuit.....	275	24	66	.....	4
Louisiana Station.....	200	40	35	10	2
Clarksville and Paynesville Station.....	122	3	40	2	.....
	2301	459	393	59	22

Fayette District.

Fayette Circuit.....	394	28	110	15	5
Columbia and Nashville Circuit.....	220	25	82	1	1
Columbia Circuit.....	431	10	50	.....	4
Glasgow Station.....	100	15	70	15	1
Huntsville Circuit.....	440	13	30	12	5
Paris ".....	246	11	24	4	.....
Florida ".....	284	53	14	17	4
Bloomington ".....	270	38	11	1	2
Kirkville Mission.....	205	30	3	.....	1
	2590	223	394	65	23

Brunswick District.

	White Mem's.	White Prob's.	Col'd Mem's.	Col'd Prob's.	Loc'l Pr's.
Brunswick Station.....	110	.....	15	.....	1
Keytesville Circuit.....	326	.....	5	.....	1
Yellow Creek Mission....	160	38	6	1	1
Linneus Mission.....	311	114	4	6	2
Hartford ".....	230	18	5	.....	6
Milan Circuit.....	384	.....	6	.....	3
Trenton Mission.....	405	.....	3	.....	4
Chillicothe Circuit.....	222	8	31	3
Spring Hill ".....	354	18	2	1
Carrolton ".....	500	37	64	12	3
	3002	233	141	19	25

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Ques. 15. What has been collected on the foregoing accounts, and how has it been applied?

Collected, \$562 05

Applied as follows:

To superannuated preachers, \$91 50
 supernumeraries, 98 60
 widows, 161 10
 orphans, 47 52
 deficient preachers, 163 33

Weston District.

Weston Station.....	59	1	20	1
Weston Circuit.....	240	7	4	.....	1
Platte City ".....	80	10	39	1	.....
Liberty and Richfield Circuit.....	133	.....	32	.....	.....
Plattsburg Circuit.....	570	30	50	.....	5
St. Joseph Station.....	116	11	48	18	4
St. Joseph Circuit.....	182	30	1
Parkville ".....	105	3	8
Richmond ".....	312	40	2
Millville ".....	552	20	29	4
	2349	112	270	19	18

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Ques. 16. What has been contributed for the support of Missions, what for the publication of Tracts and Sunday-school books, and what to aid the American Bible Society and its auxiliaries?

For Missions, \$3286 66
 Sunday-schools, 888 10

Savannah District.

Savannah Circuit.....	231	23	12	1	2
Oregon ".....	180	15	10	.....	1
Linden Mission.....	135	35	.....	.....	2
Maysville ".....	165	15	.....	.....	.....
Marysville ".....	213	11	1	.....	3
Athens ".....	344	100	1	4	5
Gallatin ".....	251	13	.....	.....	2
	1519	212	24	5	15

Ques. 17. Where are the preachers stationed this year?

ST. CHARLES DISTRICT.

Andrew Monroe, P. E.

St. Charles, John W. Cook.
 Flint Hill, Wm. A. Mayhew, Wm. M. Newland.

Warrenton, Arthur E. Sears.
 Danville, William Penn.
 Fulton, George Fentem.
 Mexico, Horace Brown.
 Middletown, Levi T. McNeily.
 Auburn, Robert G. Loving.
 Louisiana, Cornelius J. Vandeventer.
 Louisiana Mission, to be supplied.
 Paynesville and Clarksville, Ambrose P. Linn.

Hannibal District.

Hannibal Station.....	126	1	70	1
Hydesburg Circuit.....	200	30	48	10	.....
Palmyra Station.....	106	5	60	5	1
Shelbyville Circuit.....	405	150	15	5	2
Edina ".....	219	75	18	.....	1
Lancaster Mission.....	200	37	.....	.....	3
Alexandria ".....	249	40	5	.....	4
Monticello Circuit.....	510	100	19	.....	3
Canton Station.....	132	10	3	.....	.....
Lagrange ".....	62	7	14	1	.....
	2199	455	252	21	15

Recapitulation.

St. Charles District.....	2301	459	393	59	22
Fayette ".....	2590	223	394	65	23
Brunswick ".....	3002	233	141	19	25
Weston ".....	2349	112	270	19	18
Savannah ".....	1519	212	24	5	15
Hannibal ".....	2199	455	252	21	15
Total this year.....	13,960	1694	1474	188	118
Total last year.....	15,306		1602		108
Increase this year...		1694		188	10
Decrease this year...	1346		128		

[The probationers were not distinguished from members last year.]

Ques. 14. What amounts are necessary for the superannuated preachers, and the widows and orphans of preachers, and to make up the deficiencies of those who have not obtained their regular allowance on the circuits?

FAYETTE DISTRICT.

Patrick M. Pinckard, P. E., and Agent for Central College.

Fayette, James M. Green.
 Columbia, Samuel W. Cope.
 Rocheport, Benjamin F. Johnson.
 Mount Zion, Jesse Faubion.
 Glasgow, N. G. Berryman.
 Huntsville, James Penn.
 Paris, Wm. M. Wood.
 Florida, Samuel K. Fowler.
 Bloomington, William Warren.
 Kirksville Mission, Isaac Naylor.

Wm. G. Caples, Agent for Central College.
 Carr W. Pritchett, Principal of Howard High School, Male Department.

BRUNSWICK DISTRICT.

Wm. M. Rush, P. E.

Brunswick, *Robert Hatton, Benjamin S. Ashby*,
 Sup'y.
 Keytesville, *Daniel H. Root*.
 Yellow Creek Mission, *Hiram A. Davis*.
 Linneus, *Thomas Hurst*.
 Hartford Mission, *John W. Maddox*.
 Milan, *Wm. Shaw*.
 Trenton Mission, *Thomas D. Clanton*.
 Chillicothe, *Wesley G. Miller*.
 Princeton Mission, *James B. Potter*.
 Spring Hill, *Wm. Ketron*.
 Carrolton, *Daniel Penny*, *David R. Shack-*
ford.

WESTON DISTRICT.

Wm. Perkins, P. E.

Weston, *Wm. H. Saxton*.
 Platte City, *Willis E. Dockery*.
 Parkville, *John W. Penn*.
 Liberty and Richfield, *Lilburn Rush*.
 Richmond, *Walter Toole*.
 Millville, *Wm. M. Sutton*.
 Plattsburg, *Robert H. Jordan, William A.*
Tarwater.
 St. Joseph, *Enoch K. Miller*.
 St. Joseph Circuit, *John C. C. Davis*.
 Plattsburg High School, *Levin M. Lewis*.

SAVANNAH DISTRICT.

Benjamin R. Baxter, P. E.

Savannah, *Joseph Devlin, Henry H. Craig*.
 Oregon, *Henry H. Hedgepeth*.
 Rockport, *Joab Spencer*.
 Marysville, *Samuel C. Littlepage*.
 Athens Mission, *Wm. F. Bell*.
 Bethany, *Robert A. Austin*.
 Maysville Mission, *Jephtha Tillery*.
 Gallatin Mission, *Middleton R. Jones*.

HANNIBAL DISTRICT.

Edwin Robinson, P. E.

Hannibal, *Thomas De Moss*.
 Hydesburg, *Louis Baldwin, Martin L. Eads*,
 Sup'y.
 Palmyra, *Berry H. Spencer*.
 Shelbyville, *George W. Rich, Anderson Crith-*
field.
 Edina, *Lorenzo Newnam*.
 Lancaster Mission, *Denizen Mason*.
 Alexandria Mission, *Alexander Spencer*.
 Monticello, *Richard P. Holt*.
 Canton, *George Smith*, and Agent for Canton
 Seminary.
 La Grange, *Joseph S. Todd*.

Ques. 18. Where and when shall our
 next Conference be held?
 At Glasgow, Mo.

4.—ST. LOUIS CONFERENCE.

HELD AT CHARLESTON, MO., *October 8-14, 1856.*BISHOP PIERCE, *President*; WILLIAM M. PROTTSMAN, *Secretary*.

QUESTION 1. What preachers are ad-
 mitted on trial?

ANSWER. William H. Porter, Mannen
 Durin, Joseph W. Lewis, David W. Reese,
 Daniel A. M'Knight, Martin L. Maddy,
 John S. Spears, Dudley C. O'Howell, Jeda-
 diah B. Landreth, La Fayette M. Harris.
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Readmitted, Aleri A. Morrison, Fletcher
 Wells.

Ques. 2. Who remain on trial?

James V. Heddenburg, John C. Thomp-
 son, Henry W. Webster, William A. Rice,
 Josiah M'Cary, Alvin Rucker, Pinekney L.
 Turner, John W. Bond, Milton Atkisson,
 Jonathan M. Wheeler, Edwin H. White,
 Edmund Garrison, William Griffin, Jesse

H. Cumming, Michael G. M'Millin, Howell
 E. Smith, James M'Gehee, John C. Wil-
 liams, Travis O. Smith, Jacob Ditzler,
 Thomas Smith. 21.

Ques. 3. Who are admitted into full
 connection?

*William M. Leftwich, John Thomas,
 *David J. Marquess, *William H. Mobley,
 John L. M'Farland, *John C. Shackelford,
 *David Proffit. 7.

Ques. 4. Who are the deacons?

James Copeland, Thomas James, Alfred
 Nichaolds, Samuel S. Headlee, and those
 admitted and ordained, as above. 9.

Ques. 5. Who have been elected and or-
 dained elders this year?

George M. Winton, Jackson P. Nolan,

John Whittaker, David L. Myers, Turner H. Smith. 5.

Ques. 6. Who have located this year?

Elisha B. Headley, Jno. R. Bennett, Jas. Mitchell, William C. M'Millin. 4.

Ques. 7. Who are the supernumeraries?

James Copeland. 1.

Ques. 8. Who are the superannuated or worn-out preachers?

John M'Ewan, David S. Holman, Christian Eaker, James T. Davenport, George W. Love, James Parker, Alfred Nichaolds, James M. Proctor. 8.

Ques. 9. Who have been expelled from the Connection this year?

None.

Ques. 10. Who have withdrawn from the Connection this year?

None.

Ques. 11. Are all the preachers blameless in life and conversation?

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

Ques. 12. Who have died this year?

None.

Ques. 13. What numbers are in our Church in the bounds of the Conference?

St. Louis District.

	White Mem's.	White Prob's.	Col'd Mem's.	Loc'l Pr's.
First Church	320	15	10	1
Centenary	193	7	1	2
Sixteenth Street	59	.....	.....	.....
Wesley Chapel and Carondelet..	56	11	.....	.....
Asbury "	76	.....	.....	.....
Mound "	170	9	.....	2
Christie Chapel Mission	27	8	.....	.....
Manchester Circuit	110	12	.....	1
Hillsboro' "	280	43	5	1
Richwoods "	242	20	10	4
St. Louis "	91	90	15	1
North St. Louis and Bremen Mission	24	26	6	.....
	1648	241	47	12

Cape Girardeau District.

Cape Girardeau	140	31	12	.....
St. Genevieve	299	71	11	.....
Potosi	497	20	52	4
Fredericktown	452	.....	44	4
New Madrid	290	75	6	3
New Madrid Colored Mission .....	.....	.....	319	.....
Charleston and Wolf Island	570	.....	40	4
Benton	287	40	14	1
Dallas	534	.....	.....	.....
Patton	100	.....	.....	.....
	3169	237	498	16

Jefferson City District.

Jefferson City	59	.....	32	.....
Jefferson Circuit	339	.....	.....	1
Linn "	200	30	3	2
Union "	140	2	24	.....
Steelville "	380	.....	.....	4
Erie "	323	.....	.....	8
Buffalo Mission	130	10	.....	1
Hermitage Circuit	183	45	.....	2
California "	329	.....	11	4
	2083	87	70	22

Boonville District.

	White Mem's.	White Prob's.	Col'd Mem's.	Loc'l Pr's.
Boonville	150	.....	20	1
Bell Air Circuit	187	.....	4	.....
Versailles "	265	59	45	2
Georgetown "	243	.....	45	3
Saline "	196	.....	17	.....
Arrow Rock "	203	5	26	1
Warsaw "	327	50	28	2
Osceola "	268	.....	55	6
	1839	114	240	15

Lexington District.

Lexington	171	12	127	1
Wellington Circuit	206	6	2	2
Independence	151	.....	52	2
West Port Circuit	254	7	33	3
Harrisonville Circuit	304	.....	8	4
Little Osage Mission	95	14	.....	.....
Columbus Circuit	422	23	68	.....
Warrensburg Mission	230	11	7	6
Dover Circuit	319	.....	50	2
Deep Water Circuit	216	18	4	.....
	2368	91	351	20

Springfield District.

Springfield	65	.....	67	.....
Springfield Circuit	387	30	2	8
Mount Vernon	614	.....	17	.....
Cave Spring	360	55	30	6
Neosho	228	.....	7	.....
Ozark	430	.....	6	3
Forsyth Mission	150	.....	.....	.....
Bolivar Circuit	644	105	78	9
Fremont	160	75	.....	.....
	3038	265	207	26

Greenville District.

Greenville Circuit	220	30	5	2
Bloomfield "	363	120	2	.....
Grand Prairie "	172	122	2	.....
Poplar Bluffs "	100	.....	.....	.....
Doniphan "	113	55	.....	3
Centreville Mission	250	.....	.....	4
Thomasville Circuit	260	.....	1	6
Houston "	250	.....	.....	6
Eminence Miss. and Oak Ridge.	100	.....	.....	.....
Hartville Circuit	350	.....	.....	5
Salem Mission	370	30	.....	.....
	2548	357	10	26

Recapitulation.

Saint Louis District	1648	241	47	12
Cape Girardeau "	3169	237	498	16
Jefferson City "	2083	87	70	22
Boonville "	1839	114	240	15
Lexington "	2368	91	351	20
Springfield "	3038	265	207	26
Greenville "	2548	357	10	26
Total this year	16,693	1392	1423	137

	White Mem's.	White Prob's.	Col'd Mem's.	Indian Mem's.	Loc'l Pr's.
Total this year	16,693	1392	1423	.....	137
Kansas Mission Conf.— set off last year	464	30	2	176	12
Total in both Conferences this year	17,157	1412	1425	176	149
Total in both Conferences last year	17,649	.....	1344	248	173
Increase		1412	81		
Decrease	492			72	24

[The probationers were not distinguished from members last year.]

Ques. 14. What amounts are necessary for the superannuated preachers, and the widows and orphans of preachers, and to make up the deficiencies of those who have not obtained their regular allowance on the circuits?

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Ques. 15. What has been collected on the foregoing accounts, and how has it been applied?

Collected,	\$762 33
Applied as follows :	
To superannuated preachers, wi-	
dows, and orphans,	\$712 33
To deficient preachers,	50 00
	—————
	\$762 33

Ques. 16. What has been contributed for the support of Missions, what for the publication of Tracts and Sunday-school books, and what to aid the American Bible Society and its auxiliaries?

For Missions,	\$4518 62
Tracts,	91 17
Sunday-schools,	1542 31
Bible Society,	201 20

Ques. 17. Where are the preachers stationed this year?

ST. LOUIS DISTRICT.

Robert A. Young, P. E.

St. Louis :

First Church, *Charles B. Parsons*.
 Centenary, *Enoch M. Marvin*.
 Mound, *Wm. M. Leftwich*.
 Asbury, *Joseph Boyle*.
 Wesley Chapel, *Alvin Rucker*.
 Sixteenth Street, *John C. Shackelford*.
 Christie Chapel and Grand Avenue, *Edwin H. White*.
 Bremen Mission, *Wm. R. Babcock*.
 Oak Hill and County Farm, *John Whittaker*.
 St. Louis Circuit, *Thomas M. Finney*.
 Manchester, *Jacob Ditzler*, (one to be supplied.)

David R. M'Anally, Editor of St. Louis Christian Advocate.

Jackson P. Nolan, Agent of American Bible Society, and attached to Quarterly Conference of Centenary Church.

CAPE GIRARDEAU DISTRICT.

Wesley Browning, P. E.

Cape Girardeau, *Henry S. Watts*.
 St. Genevieve, *James Cumming*.
 Hillsboro', *John L. M'Farland*.

Potosi, *Joseph Dines*.

Fredericktown, *Thomas James*.

{ New Madrid, *Manson R. Anthony*, *Jesse H. Cumming*.

{ New Madrid Colored Mission, *John Thomas*.

Wolf Island, *James V. Heddenberg*.

Charleston, *Josiah M' Cary*.

Benton, *David L. Myers*.

Jerome C. Berryman, Superintendent of Arcadia High School.

BOONVILLE DISTRICT.

Daniel A. Leeper, P. E.

Boonville, *Aleri A. Morrison*.

Arrow Rock, *Warren Wharton*.

Saline, *Nathanael M. Talbot*.

Georgetown, *Josiah Godby*.

Versailles, *John B. H. Wooldridge*.

Jefferson Circuit, *Martin E. Paul*.

Jefferson City, *John H. Headley*.

California, *John D. Read*.

Bell Air, *George M. Winton*.

LEXINGTON DISTRICT.

Wm. M. Prottzman, P. E.

Lexington, to be supplied.

Wellington, *Wm. J. Brown*.

Independence, *John T. Peery*.

Westport and Kansas, *Alfred H. Powell*.

Independence Circuit, *Henry W. Webster*,

Michael G. M'Millin.

Harrisonville, *Wm. H. Mobly*, *John W. Bond*.

Columbus, *Samuel S. Colburn*.

Warrensburg, *Wm. H. Porter*.

Dover, *Joseph W. Lewis*.

WARSAW DISTRICT.

Robert A. Foster, P. E.

Warsaw, *Joseph Bond*.

Deep Water, *Warren M. Pitts*.

West Point Mission, *Fletcher Wells*.

Nevada, *David S. Proffit*.

Lamar Mission, to be supplied.

Fremont, *Samuel S. Headlee*.

Osceola, *Wm. S. Woodward*.

Buffalo, *John Monroe*, *Mannen Durin*.

SPRINGFIELD DISTRICT.

Thomas T. Ashby, P. E.

Springfield, *John W. Hawkins*.

Springfield Circuit, *James M. M'Gehee*.

Bolivar, *Nathanael B. Peterson*.

Mount Vernon, *Thomas Smith*.

Carthage, *Andrew M. Rader*.

Neosho, *Joseph O. Woods*.

Cassville Mission, *Milton Atkisson*.

Ozark, *James C. Tomson*.

Forsyth Mission, *John C. Thompson*.

Hartsville, *Arthur Hawkins*, *Dudley*

O'Howell.

STEELVILLE DISTRICT.

James R. Burke, P. E.

Steelville, Howell E. Smith.
Richwoods, William A. Rice, (one to be supplied.).
Union, John N. W. Springer, Martin L. Maddy.
Linn, David Marquis.
Vienna, Daniel A. M'Knight.
Lebanon, *Marcus Arrington*.
Roubadoux Mission, Thomas Glanville.
Houston, Lafayette M. Harris, John S. Spears.
Salem, *Green Woods*.

GREENVILLE DISTRICT.

John L. Burchard, P. E.

Greenville, *Henry N. Watts*.
Bloomfield, *Wm. Alexander*.

Grand Prairie, Pinckney L. Turner.
Dallas, *Turner H. Smith*, David W. Reese.
Poplar Bluff Mission, Jonathan M. Wheeler.
Centreville Mission, to be supplied.
Doniphan, Wm. Griffin.
Thomasville, Travis O. Smith, James Copeland, Sup'y.
West Plains Mission, Jedidiah B. Landreth.
Oakridge Mission, John C. Williams.
Eminence Mission, Edmund Garrison.

John F. Truslow, Agent for Central College, and attached to Independence Quarterly Conference.

Francis M. Williams, transferred to Kansas Mission Conference, and appointed to Kickapoo Circuit.

Ques. 18. Where and when shall our next Conference be held?

At Boonville, Mo.

5.—KANSAS MISSION CONFERENCE.

HELD AT KICKAPOO, KANSAS, *September 12, 13, 1856.*

BISHOP PIERCE, *President*; NATHAN SCARBITT, *Secretary*.

QUESTION 1. What preachers are admitted on trial?

ANSWER. Elam S. Arrington, John P. Barnaby. 2.

Ques. 2. Who remain on trial?

William Barnett, John Hale, Joseph H. Pritchett. 3.

Ques. 3. Who are admitted into full connection?

Cyrus R. Rice. 1.

Ques. 4. Who are the deacons?

Cyrus R. Rice. 1.

Ques. 5. Who have been elected and ordained elders this year?

None.

Ques. 6. Who have located this year?

None.

Ques. 7. Who are the supernumeraries?

None.

Ques. 8. Who are the superannuated or worn-out preachers?

Nathan T. Shaler. 1.

Ques. 9. Who have been expelled from the Connection this year?

None.

Ques. 10. Who have withdrawn from the Connection this year?

None.

Ques. 11. Are all the preachers blameless in life and conversation?

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

Ques. 12. Who have died this year?

None.

Ques. 13. What numbers are in our Church in the bounds of the Conference?

Lecompton District.

	White Mem's.	White Prob's.	Col'd Mem's.	Indian Mem's.	Loos' Pr's.
Tecumseh Mission.....	33	10	1	.....	.....
Pottawattomie "	60	.....	.....	.....	4
Fort Scott "	100	.....	.....	.....	3
Neosho "	12	2	.....	.....	.....
Council Grove "	4	3	.....	.....	.....
Santa Fe " .....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
	209	15	1	.....	7

Kickapoo District.

	White Mem's.	White Prob's.	Col'd Mem's.	Indian Mem's.	Loc'l Pr's.
Shawnee M. L. School....	9	.....	.....	.....	1
" Mission	3	.....	1	82	1
Wyandotte "	10	.....	.....	31	.....
Delaware "	9	.....	.....	63	1
Leavenworth "	20	.....	.....	.....	1
Doniphan "	70	.....	.....	.....	.....
Kickapoo "	70	.....	.....	.....	1
Big Blue "	27	5	.....	.....	.....
Mt. Pleasant "	12	10	.....	.....	.....
Atchison "	25	.....	.....	.....	.....
	255	15	1	176	5

Recapitulation.

Lecompton District.....	209	15	1	.....	7
Kickapoo "	255	15	1	176	5
Total this year.....	464	30	2	176	12

[See Recapitulation in the Minutes of St. Louis Conference.]

Ques. 14. What amounts are necessary for the superannuated preachers, and the widows and orphans of preachers, and to make up the deficiencies of those who have not obtained their regular allowance on the circuits?

No report, as this is a Mission Conference, and the claims of the preachers are met by the Missionary Society.

Ques. 15. What has been collected on the foregoing accounts, and how has it been applied?

No report.

Ques. 16. What has been contributed for the support of Missions, what for the publication of Tracts and Sunday-school books, and what to aid the American Bible Society and its auxiliaries?

For Missions, \$316 90
Sunday-schools, 145 20
Ques. 17. Where are the preachers stationed this year?

LECOMPTON DISTRICT.

Wm. Bradford, P. E., and Agent for Fort Scott Seminary.
Tecumseh, Jesse G. Rice, (one to be supplied.)
Pottawattomie, Elam S. Arrington, (one to be supplied.)
Sugar Creek, John Hale.
Fort Scott, Cyrus R. Rice, (one to be supplied.)
Neosho, John P. Barnaby.
Council Grove, Joseph H. Pritchett.
Ashland, Learner B. Stateler.

KICKAPOO DISTRICT.

Nathan Scarritt, P. E.
Shawnee Manual Labor School, Thomas Johnson.
Shawnee Mission, Charles Bowls.
Wyandotte Mission, to be supplied.
Delaware Mission, Wm. Barnett.
Leavenworth City, Adonijah Williams.
Doniphan, to be supplied.
Kickapoo, Francis M. Williams.
Big Blue, to be supplied.
Mount Pleasant, to be supplied.
Grasshopper, to be supplied.
Nathanael M. Talbot and Joseph O. Woods, transferred to St. Louis Conference.

Ques. 18. Where and when shall our next Conference be held?
At Leavenworth City.

6.—TENNESSEE CONFERENCE.

HELD AT HUNTSVILLE, ALA., October 8-16, 1856.

BISHOPS SOULE AND ANDREW, Presidents; WILLIAM C. JOHNSON, Secretary.

QUESTION 1. What preachers are admitted on trial?
ANSWER. George L. Staley, William H. Anthony, Thomas F. Brown, Henry E. Poarch, Robert G. Linn, Isaac B. Walton, Robert S. Hunter, Jos. B. Allison, Lewis H. Grubbs, John H. Reynolds, William T. Dye, Sterling H. Brown, Jesse Luter, Samuel E. Randolph, Joseph S. Malone, Thaddeus S. Duffel, Carna Freeman. 17.

Reädmitted, Cincinnatus V. Meador, Willis G. Davis, Pleasant B. Robinson. 3.
Ques. 2. Who remain on trial?
Caleb B. Davis, John W. Judd, Alfred D. Parks, George M. Everhart, Henry C. Wheeler, John A. Coxe, Joseph H. Stone, George W. Brown, Edwin W. Coleman, Mortimer B. Pearson, Moses L. Whitten, Jno. R. Abernathy, Andrew J. Wooldridge, Benj. F. Humphries, Sterling M. Cherry,

John A. Edmondson, Matthew H. Fielding, George S. Allen, John K. Woodson. 19.

Ques. 3. Who are admitted into full connection?

Robert M. Haggard and Wm. M. Shaw, in elders' orders, Marcus G. Williams, Jerome B. Anderson, Joseph J. Pitts, John W. Timberlake, Edmund P. Anderson, John T. W. Davis, James M. Wright, Robert A. Wilson, William Large, William C. Haislip. 12.

Ques. 4. Who are the deacons?

James H. Campbell, Philip L. Henderson, James L. Coleman, Joseph M. P. Hickerson, John J. Comer, William H. Riggan, William P. Warren, Joseph G. Gwinn, and those admitted and ordained, as above. 18.

Ques. 5. Who have been elected and ordained elders this year?

James D. Barbee, John R. Harwell, Samuel D. Ogburn, George W. Russel, Thomas B. White. 5.

Ques. 6. Who have located this year?

Anderson G. Copeland, David R. Hooker, Milton P. Brown, John P. Bingham, Nathanael W. Overall, Elbert J. Garret. 6.

Ques. 7. Who are the supernumeraries?

Fountain E. Pitts, Elisha Carr, Joseph S. Malone, John Kelley, Russel Eskew, Absalom H. Reams, Samuel W. Moreland, Isaac C. Woodward, William Jared, Thos. H. Woodward, John B. Stevenson, Henry P. Turner, Abram Overall, Elbert J. Allen, Thomas B. Marks, Allen Tribble, James R. M'Clure, Justinian Williams, Gilbert D. Taylor, Jas. W. Allen, Aaron J. Gilmore, Robert G. Irvine, William H. Wilkes, John B. Hamilton, Charles B. Faris, Spencer C. Dickson, James T. Bartee, Joseph B. West, Jordan Moore, Ambrose F. Driskill, John J. Pitman, Lloyd Richardson, William H. Johnson, John M'Curdy, Joseph G. Gwinn. 35.

Ques. 8. Who are the superannuated or worn-out preachers?

John Page, Robert C. Jones, Stanford Lassiter, John D. Winn, David W. Thompson, Sion Record, William J. Cooley, Finch P. Scruggs. 8.

Ques. 9. Who have been expelled from the Connection this year?

None.

Ques. 10. Who have withdrawn from the Connection this year?

None.

Ques. 11. Are all the preachers blameless in life and conversation?

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

Ques. 12. Who have died this year?

Asaph H. Alsup. 1.

ASAPH H. ALSUP was born in Wilson county, Tenn., December 17, 1826. He professed our holy religion, and united with the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, under the ministry of the Rev. Joseph Willis, at Oak Grove Church, in his native county, in August, 1848. He was admitted on trial in the Tennessee Annual Conference, and appointed to Dover Circuit in 1850. In 1851, he was appointed to Mount Pleasant Circuit. In 1852, he was admitted into full connection, and ordained deacon, and was appointed to Clarksville Circuit. In 1853, he was appointed to Maysville Station. In 1854, he was ordained elder, and appointed to Montgomery Circuit. During this year, he married Miss Martha Manson, who, within a few short months, was stricken down by death. In 1855, although much enfeebled in health and afflicted in spirit, he again took work, and was appointed to Franklin Station. During the spring of 1856, his disease, being of a pulmonary character, grew worse so rapidly, that he was compelled to desist from his labors, and to retire to his native home. There he died, in great peace, on the 31st of August following.

Brother Alsup was a high-toned Christian and an excellent preacher. Those who knew him best loved him most. He lived a pious and useful life, and died a triumphant death. He is not lost, but gone before.

Ques. 13. What numbers are in our Church in the bounds of the Conference?

Nashville District.

	White Mem's.	White Prob's.	Col'd Mem's.	Col'd Prob's.	Loos' Pr's.
Nashville:					
McKendree Station.....	468	7	.....	.....	7
Andrew ".....	178	12	.....	.....	.....
Spruce Street ".....	101	9	.....	.....	.....
Elysian Grove ".....	74	45	.....	.....	1
German Mission.....	10	14	.....	.....	1
City Mission.....	41	59	.....	.....	1
Colored Mission.....	.....	.....	765	25	7
Hobson Chapel.....	56	1	40	23	3
White's Creek.....	265	18	11	.....	.....
	1193	165	816	48	20

Lebanon District.

	White Mem's.	White Prob's.	Col'd Mem's.	Col'd Prob's.	Loos' Pr's.
Lebanon Station.....	140	.....	106	.....	.....
Lebanon Circuit.....	368	10	136	.....	5
Shady Grove.....	330	6	35	.....	1
Union.....	314	4	60	.....	2
Mill Creek.....	750	25	160	.....	3
Sumner.....	554	45	109	.....	4
Fountain Head.....	695	84	64	.....	2
Sycamore Mission.....	271	.....	.....	.....	2
	3422	174	670	.....	19

Carthage District.

	White Mem's.	White Prob's.	Col'd Mem's.	Col'd Prob's.	Loc'l Pr's.
Gallatin.....	120	.....	34	.....	1
Goose Creek.....	869	93	60	6	9
Carthage.....	251	8	7	1	1
Smith's Fork.....	835	54	98	8	8
Cumberland.....	649	81	56	.....	5
Wartrace.....	451	86	11	3	4
Short Mountain.....	503	16	7	1	6
Woodbury.....	350	29	55	.....	4
	4028	367	328	19	38

Pulaski District, (continued.)

	White Mem's.	White Prob's.	Col'd Mem's.	Col'd Prob's.	Loc'l Pr's.
Florence Station.....	118	3	129	8	4
Cypress.....	465	81	119	.....	13
Savannah.....	416	115	110	16	5
Waterloo.....	270	133	.....	.....	5
Richland Colored Miss.....	.....	.....	70	69	.....
	3842	609	948	118	60

M' Minnville District.

M' Minnville Station.....	73	7	60
Sparta.....	122	7	36	.....	1
Sparta Circuit.....	310	.....	24	25	6
Livingston.....	325	25	.....	.....	2
White Plains Mission.....	153	.....	6	.....	6
Hickory Creek.....	546	70	59	.....	6
Winchester Station.....	50	1	60	.....	1
Winchester Circuit.....	441	43	3	.....	6
Tullahoma.....	334	123	5	6	7
Bedford.....	432	68	93	5	11
	2786	344	346	36	46

Franklin District.

Franklin Station.....	117	100	2
Harpetb.....	587	37	80	.....	2
Nashville Circuit.....	931	10	57	.....	4
Spring Hill Station.....	83	17	8	4	.....
Spring Hill Circuit.....	650	192	100	79	7
Duck River.....	242	19	16	.....	3
Wesley.....	455	22	166	20	4
Columbia Station.....	201	32	122	.....	1
	2666	329	649	103	23

Mt. Pleasant District.

Mt. Pleasant.....	447	10	130	15	5
Swan Mission.....	271	51	15	10	5
Pleasant Grove.....	300	.....	15	.....	4
Centreville.....	190	90	50	.....	1
Waverly.....	410	54	43	.....	11
Dover.....	546	81	51	8	2
Hopewell.....	148	23	10	.....	2
Linden Mission.....	161	.....	7	.....	2
Wayne.....	204	35	25	.....	4
Lynnville.....	266	35	25	.....	4
	2943	379	371	33	40

Murfreesboro' District.

Murfreesboro' Station.....	183	13	164	14	5
Stone's River.....	283	81	.....	.....	6
Stone's River Col'd Miss.....	.....	.....	440	.....	1
Middleton.....	704	74	68	.....	9
Shelbyville Station.....	135	20	68	.....	1
Rich Valley.....	296	83	83	12	3
Fayetteville Station.....	53	3	40	9	1
Fayetteville Circuit.....	226	89	11	24	1
Rock Creek.....	498	76	7	6	2
Cornersville Station.....	80	.....	.....	.....	.....
Marshall Colored Miss.....	.....	.....	19	11	.....
	2458	439	900	76	29

Clarksville District.

Clarksville Station.....	185	2	102	2
Clarksville Circuit.....	166	2	58	.....	4
Montgomery.....	376	67	138	.....	3
Dickson.....	850	205	50	35	4
Asbury.....	470	103	64	.....	5
Red River.....	475	50	25	.....	6
Cumberland Iron Works Station.....	66	5	79	.....	2
Springfield Station.....	90	.....	12	5	.....
	2678	434	523	40	26

Huntsville District.

Huntsville Station.....	212	1
Huntsville Col'd Charge.....	.....	.....	120	20	3
Vienna.....	313	61	130	.....	4
Maysville Station.....	85	.....	1	.....	.....
Madison.....	430	24	.....	.....	5
Salem.....	480	38	43	3	3
Bellefonte and Stevenson Station.....	40	26	83	.....	.....
Bellefonte Circuit.....	534	176	35	5	10
Camden Mission.....	100	10	.....	.....	.....
Camden African Mission.....	.....	.....	104	56	.....
Marshall.....	334	47	25	.....	7
	2528	382	491	84	33

Tuscumbia District.

Tuscumbia Station.....	73	11	188	20	.....
Chickasaw.....	118	66	31	6	.....
Frankfort Mission.....	207	.....	.....	.....	2
Russellville.....	264	30	35	16	2
Franklin Circuit.....	376	40	200	25	6
Morgan.....	575	105	19	6	9
Decatur Station.....	75	13	97	9	1
Somerville.....	340	19	42	.....	12
Trinity Station.....	47	.....	20	.....	.....
	2075	284	632	82	32

Pulaski District.

Pulaski Station.....	138	5	92	.....	1
Richland.....	1050	75	88	.....	9
Limestone.....	451	30	140	.....	8
Athens Station.....	111	23	65	11	2
Prospect.....	406	88	55	10	4
Shoal.....	417	56	80	4	9

Recapitulation.

Nashville District.....	1193	165	816	48	20
Lebanon.....	3422	174	670	.....	19
Carthage.....	4028	367	328	19	38
M' Minnville.....	2786	344	346	36	46
Murfreesboro'.....	2458	439	900	76	29
Huntsville.....	2528	382	491	84	33
Tuscumbia.....	2075	284	632	82	32
Pulaski.....	3842	609	948	118	60
Franklin.....	2666	329	649	103	23
Mt. Pleasant.....	2943	379	371	33	40
Clarksville.....	2678	434	523	40	26
Total this year.....	30,619	3906	6674	639	366
Total last year.....	29,937	4201	7353	709	382
Increase.....	682	.....	.....	.....	.....
Decrease.....	.....	295	679	70	16

Ques. 14. What amounts are necessary for the superannuated preachers, and the widows and orphans of preachers, and to make up the deficiencies of those who have not obtained their regular allowance on the circuits?

This question the Stewards' report failed to answer.

Ques. 15. What has been collected on the foregoing accounts, and how has it been applied?

Collected,	\$1410 86
Applied as follows :	
To preachers, widows, and orphans,	1405 00
To Sister M'Cracken, additional,	5 86
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	\$1410 86

Ques. 16. What has been contributed for the support of Missions, what for the publication of Tracts and Sunday-school books, and what to aid the American Bible Society and its auxiliaries?

For Missions,	\$9207 38
Tracts,	3256 94
Sunday-school books,	1338 00

Ques. 17. Where are the preachers stationed this year?

NASHVILLE DISTRICT.

Wm. D. F. Sawrie, P. E.

Nashville :

M'Kendree, *Adam S. Riggs.*
 Andrew, *Caleb B. Davis.*
 Spruce Street, *Wm. R. Warren.*
 Elysian Grove, *Wm. Large.*
 Colored Charge, *Thomas N. Lankford.*
 German Mission, *Philip Barth.*
 Nashville Circuit, *Wm. P. Hickman.*
 Harpeth, *John G. Ray.*
 Franklin Station, *Wellborn Mooney.*

EDGEFIELD DISTRICT.

Alexander L. P. Green, P. E.

Hobson Charge, *Samuel D. Baldwin, Fountain E. Pitts, Sup'y.*
 Edgefield Charge and City Mission, *Wm. C. Johnson, John A. Ellis, Elisha Carr, Sup'y.*
 White's Creek, *John K. Woodson, Joseph S. Malone, Sup'y.*
 Fountain Head, *Wm. Randle.*
 Drake's Creek Mission, *Mortimer B. Pearson.*
 Sycamore Mission, *Abram B. Coke.*
John B. M'Ferrin, Editor of Nashville Christian Advocate, and member of the Quarterly Conference of Hobson Charge.

LEBANON DISTRICT.

Lewis C. Bryan, P. E.

Lebanon Station, *Simon P. Whitten, John Kelley, Sup'y.*
 Lebanon Circuit, *Joseph Willis.*
 Union, *David C. Kelley, William H. Johnson, Sup'y.*
 Shady Grove, *Nimrod A. Keys, Russel Eskew, Sup'y.*

Sumner Circuit and African Mission, *Burkitt F. Ferrel, Lewis H. Grubbs.*
 Gallatin Station, *Robert C. Hatton.*
 Goose Creek, *Joel Whitten, John A. Edmondson.*
 Woodbury, *John W. Judd.*
 Mill Creek, *Mark W. Gray*, (one to be supplied.)

CARTHAGE DISTRICT.

Ferdinand S. Petway, P. E.

Carthage, *Daniel P. Searcy.*
 Wartrace, *Jos. B. Allison, Samuel W. Moreland, Sup'y.*
 Smith's Fork, *John C. Putman, George L. Staley, Absalom H. Reams, Sup'y.*
 Cumberland, *John W. Tarrant, Carna Freeman.*
 Livingston, *Wm. P. Nichols.*
 Mount Pisgah, *Wm. H. Riggan.*
 Sparta, *Robert S. Hunter.*
 White Plains Mission, *Samuel E. Randolph, Wm. Jared, Sup'y.*
 Short Mountain, *James A. Walkup.*

M'MINNVILLE DISTRICT.

Wm. Doss, P. E.

Sparta Station, *Wm. C. Haislip.*
 Hickory Creek, *George D. Gwinn, Benjamin F. Humphries, Isaac C. Woodward, Sup'y.*
 M'Minnville Station, *Jerome B. Anderson.*
 Bedford, *John J. Comer, John B. Stevenson, Sup'y.*
 Tullahoma, *Jesse J. Ellis, Allen Tribble, Sup'y.*
 Winchester Station, *Francis A. Kimball.*
 Winchester, *Wm. H. Anthony, John J. Pitman, Sup'y.*
 Salem, *Daniel H. Jones, John R. Abernathy.*
 Camden Mission, *James H. Campbell.*
 Fayetteville Station, *Marcus G. Williams.*

MURFREESBORO' DISTRICT.

Samuel S. Moody, P. E.

Murfreesboro' Station, *Wm. G. Dorris, Abram Overall, Sup'y.*
 Stone's River, *Joseph E. White, Elbert J. Allen, Sup'y.*
 Middleton, *Alfred D. Parks, Joseph S. Malone, Charles B. Faris, Sup'y.*
 Shelbyville Station, *Berry M. Stevens, Thomas B. Marks, Sup'y.*
 Shelbyville University, *Alexander L. Hamilton.*
 Rich Valley, *Sterling M. Cherry.*
 Rock Creek, *Robert M. Haggard, Lloyd Richardson, Sup'y.*
 Cornersville Station, *Zechariah Parker, James R. M'Clure, Sup'y.*
 Fayetteville Circuit, *Edwin W. Coleman.*
 Stone's River African Mission, *William M. Shaw.*

HUNTSVILLE DISTRICT.

Thomas W. Randle, P. E.

Huntsville Station, *Alexander R. Erwin.*
 Huntsville Colored Charge, *Pleasant B. Robinson.*
 Huntsville Female College, *George M. Everhart.*
 Madison, *Thomas Wainwright,* Robert G. Linn, *Ambrose F. Driskill,* Sup'y.
 Maysville Station, *Philip L. Henderson, Jas. T. Bartee,* Sup'y.
 Vienna, *Milus E. Johnston, Thomas H. Woodward,* Sup'y.
 Claysville Mission, *Cincinnatus V. Meador.*
 Marshall, *Francis M. Hickman.*
 Larkinsville, *Benjamin A. Simms.*
 Bellefonte, *Edmund P. Anderson.*
 Limestone, *William G. Hensley,* Sterling H. Brown, *Henry P. Turner,* Sup'y.
 Athens Station, *Richard P. Ransom, James W. Allen,* Sup'y.
 Tennessee Conference Female Institute, to be supplied.
 Limestone African Mission, *Arthur W. Smith.*
 Madison African Mission, *Wm. P. Warren.*

TUSCUMBIA DISTRICT.

Thomas Maddin, P. E.

Tuscumbia Station, *John R. Harwell.*
 Chickasaw, *Martin Clark, Justinian Williams,* Sup'y.
 Frankfort Mission, *Andrew J. B. Foster.*
 Russellville, *Moses L. Whitten.*
 Franklin Circuit, *George W. Winn,* (one to be supplied.)
 Morgan, *George W. Russel.*
 Decatur Station, *Robert A. Wilson.*
 Somerville, *John N. Allen.*
 Trinity, *John S. Marks.*

FLORENCE DISTRICT.

Wm. H. Browning, P. E.

Florence Station, *John Matthews.*
 Cypress, *Elias M. Baker, Willis G. Davis,* Sup'y.
 Reserve, *James H. Richey.*
 Waterloo, *Henry C. Wheeler.*
 Savannah, *David H. Merriman,* Matthew H. Fielding.
 Pulaski Station, *Wm. Burr, Gilbert D. Taylor,* Sup'y.
 Shoal, *James L. Coleman.*
 Prospect, *Wm. R. J. Husbands, Aaron J. Gilmore,* Sup'y.
 Richland, *John Sherril,* George S. Allen.
 Florence Wesleyan University, *Richard H. Rivers.*

COLUMBIA DISTRICT.

John F. Hughes, P. E.

Columbia Station, *Isaac Milner, John B. Hamilton,* Sup'y.

Mount Pleasant, *Harrison A. Graves.*
 Duck River, *Joseph M. P. Hickerson, Wm. H. Wilkes,* Sup'y.
 Lawrenceburg, *Coleman A. Harwell.*
 Lynnville, *John S. Williams, Spencer C. Dickson,* Sup'y.
 Lewisburg Station, *Samuel D. Ogburn.*
 Spring Hill Station, *James D. Barbee, Robert G. Irvine,* Sup'y.
 Spring Hill Circuit, *Nathan R. Gabard, Henry E. Poarch.*
 Wesley, *Carrol C. Mayhew, John M'Curdy,* Sup'y.
 Tennessee Conference Female College, *Jared O. Church.*

CENTREVILLE DISTRICT.

Abram F. Lawrence, P. E.

Centreville, *George W. Brown.*
 Swan, *Jesse Luter.*
 Wayne, *John T. W. Davis.*
 Linden Mission, *Thaddeus S. Duffel.*
 Piney Mission, *John H. Reynolds.*
 Waverley, *John A. Coxe, Thomas F. Brown.*
 Yellow Creek, *Andrew J. Wooldridge.*
 Dover, *Robert T. M'Bride.*

CLARKSVILLE DISTRICT.

John W. Hanner, P. E.

Clarksville Station, *Alpheus Mizell, Joseph B. West,* Sup'y.
 Clarksville Circuit, *Thomas J. Neely, Joseph G. Gwinn,* Sup'y.
 Montgomery, *Isaac B. Walton.*
 Cumberland Iron Works Station, *Joseph J. Pitts.*
 Dickson, *Joseph G. Myers, Wm. T. Dye, Jordan Moore,* Sup'y.
 Asbury, *Robertson L. Fagan.*
 Red River, *John A. Jones.*
 Springfield Station, *Jeremiah W. Cullom.*
Garret W. Martin, Agent for the American Bible Society.
Golman Green, Agent for the Tennessee Conference Tract Society.
Moses M. Henkle, Agent for Endowment Fund of the Chair of Biblical Literature and Ecclesiastical History in Florence Wesleyan University.
 John W. Timberlake, James M. Wright, and Joseph H. Stone, transferred to Florida Conference.
Benjamin F. White, Thomas B. White, and Elam A. Stevenson, transferred to Louisiana Conference.

Ques. 18. Where and when shall our next Conference be held?

At Murfreesboro', Tenn.

7.—HOLSTON CONFERENCE.

HELD AT KNOXVILLE, TENN., *October 22–28, 1856.*

BISHOP JAMES O. ANDREW, *President*; WILLIAM C. GRAVES, *Secretary*.

QUESTION 1. What preachers are admitted on trial?

ANSWER. B. W. S. Bishop, Josiah Torbitt, Jacob T. Freeman, John B. Foster, Andrew J. Grier, Henry Rule, Roan Clear, Lawrence M. Renfro, Leonidas C. Delashmitt, George Emmitt, Abel R. Wilson, Jno. R. Stradley, Anson W. Cummings, Moses H. Spencer, William E. Munsey. 15.

Ques. 2. Who remain on trial?

Alexander E. Woodward, George W. Smith, George W. Miles, William Wyatt, Jesse A. Hyden, Rufus K. Scruggs, Chas. T. M'Donald, William H. Duggan, William H. Howell, Gaston H. Massey, Alexander F. English, George W. Penly, Andrew Copeland, Ebenezer Stockbridge, George Stewart, Henry P. Waugh, George Creamer, John W. Bird, James A. Davis, John Spears. 20.

Ques. 3. Who are admitted into full connection?

*Johnson P. Gibson, *Franklin Richardson, *Thomas J. Pope, *Elijah Conner, *Philip S. Sutton, *John T. Stansbury. 6.

Ques. 4. Who are the deacons?

Grinsfield Taylor, Thomas M. Dula, Patrick H. Reed, Mitchell P. Swain, William K. Foster, John W. Williamson, H. West, William W. Smith, and those admitted and ordained, as above. 14.

Ques. 5. Who have been elected and ordained elders this year?

James W. Dickey, James W. Belt, Benjamin F. White, Charles Mitchell. 4.

Ques. 6. Who have located this year?

James H. Green, John D. F. Jennings, Franklin Richardson, George W. Renfro, James M. Sharp. 5.

Ques. 7. Who are the supernumeraries?

William Hicks, L. W. Crouch, S. B. Harwell. 3.

Ques. 8. Who are the superannuated or worn-out preachers?

Thomas Stringfield, James Cumming, Jesse Cunningham, Robertson Ganaway, Canaro D. Smith, Robert H. Guthrie, Timothy Sullins, John M. Varnell. 8.

Question 9. Who have been expelled from the Connection this year?

None.

Ques. 10. Who have withdrawn from the Connection this year?

None.

Ques. 11. Are all the preachers blameless in life and conversation?

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

Ques. 12. Who have died this year?

Thomas Wilkerson, George Ekin, Ulrich Keener, John M. Kelly. 4.

THOMAS WILKERSON was born some eighty-four years ago, about forty miles above Lynchburg, Virginia. He became deeply concerned about the salvation of his soul, and was happily converted to God, about the twentieth year of his age. Soon after this, he began to exhort and preach with great power and success. His Christian brethren believed he ought to be received into the travelling connection, and he consented to be recommended accordingly. He was duly received, and commenced a course of labor which was signalized by uncommon success. He had so much confidence in the importance of his work, and in the integrity and management of Bishop Asbury, that he submitted, without misgiving or complaint, to his entire control as long as he was able to do effective work. He travelled and preached in South-western Virginia, East Tennessee, Middle Tennessee, and Kentucky; thence to Maryland, on the Baltimore Circuit, and in Baltimore City. In all these places he was more or less useful: in some of them greatly so. Especially was he so in the great Cumberland revival, so called, being one of

the chief instruments in its holy triumphs. His zeal led him beyond his strength, and his health failed. He rested for a time, and resumed his toils; but soon he was painfully convinced that he could itinerate no longer; and, as was then the usage, he located, marrying and settling himself on Holston, near three miles above Strawberry Plains, Tennessee. Here he labored hard with his own hands, fearing, as he was heard to say, that he and his family would come to want, although his temporal circumstances were far from being gloomy. His wife dying within a few years, he married a pious, intelligent lady at Strawberry Plains, where he lived many years, laboring as health would allow, preaching until, by request of his travelling brethren, he re-entered the travelling connection in Holston Conference. He was appointed Presiding Elder of the Knoxville District, but could undergo its toils and labors but one year. He was then stationed in Abingdon, Virginia, which station he filled one year, with great satisfaction to the people, and not without some indications of success. At the close of that year, he felt satisfied that he could be as useful to the Church, controlling his own movements, as he could be under the stationing authority of the Church. Being quite feeble in health, he returned to his homestead at the Plains, the Conference granting him a superannuated relation, which he retained to the day of his death. Some eight years after this, his second wife died. He married the third time, and settled near Abingdon, Virginia, where he closed his protracted labors. About the 1st of December, 1855, he was so feeble that he was mostly confined to his bed, being able to sit up at times only. He talked frequently about his departure, and seemed fearful of only one thing—that he might be too anxious to depart. He was fearful of grieving the Spirit, by being too anxious about that thing. He said, “The grave is a quiet resting-place, death is a pleasant sleep;” for he was weary of life’s long labors. The last connected discourse he made was the following: “If I had my time to go over, I would preach differently from what I have. I would preach more about eternity: I would strive to keep eternity always before the minds of my people. What is time but a vapor? Eternity is all!” To the last, he would make broken remarks as to his peace and confidence in Jesus. Dying without pain, he breathed his last on the holy Sabbath, half-past ten o’clock, P. M., Feb. 3, 1856.

GEORGE EKin was born May 22d, 1782, near Newtown Stuart, in Tyrone county, Ireland. When about fifteen years of age, he was awakened to a sense of his condition as a sinner in a Methodist class-meeting; and, though previously prejudiced against the Methodists, he united himself with that people. About

six months afterwards he was happily converted to God when alone on his father’s farm. Soon after this period he was appointed a class-leader, and authorized to exhort. At the age of twenty-two years, he was licensed to preach. For some five or six years he preached in his native country, and then came to America. In the year 1811, he was admitted into the Western Conference on trial, at a session held at Cincinnati, Ohio. From that time to the day of his death, a period of forty-five years, Brother Ekin was in the travelling connection, and, except some five or six of the last years of his life, was effective. As a minister, Brother Ekin possessed respectable talents, and employed them to their utmost in bringing souls to Christ, building up the Church, and promoting the glory of God. It may be said in truth, “In labors he was abundant,” and God’s blessing was with him. As a Christian, Brother Ekin was regarded by all who knew him, and especially by those who knew him best, as being one of our best and most pious men. He was satisfied with his conversion and consecration to God, happy in communion with Heaven, firm in his attachments to the Church of his choice, unwavering in his efforts to do good, and ever “strong in faith, giving glory to God.” Brother Ekin was emphatically a working man; and his views of ministerial duties and obligations were such, and his zeal for souls and his Divine Master so strong and ardent, as led him not only to preach faithfully and constantly, but also to use all the means and institutions within his compass for the accomplishment of the ends proposed by the Christian ministry. Nor did he labor in vain. God blessed his labors most signally and abundantly. It is stated that upwards of ten thousand persons were received by him on probation; about eight thousand souls made a profession of religion under his pastoral ministry; and it is thought that some fifteen thousand persons were baptized by him. He died very suddenly, of apoplexy, at the house of Dr. Hieskell, Abingdon, Virginia, on the 2d of August, 1856, in the 75th year of his age. Thus passed away the venerable George Ekin, after having served the Church and his God for three-score years; and though he died without saying a single word to any of his brethren, and where there was no earthly friend to witness his sudden exit, his Christian and ministerial course was such for more than a half century before his death, as warrants the assurance that all was well with him at that trying hour, and that He who alone witnessed the death of Moses on the sacred mount, stood by our venerable brother, and conducted him, as he did the leader of Israel, to a home in heaven. Yes, we rest satisfied that our brother is reaping his reward with the sanctified in the kingdom of God on high.

ULRICH KEENER was born in East Tennessee, August 11th, 1801. He embraced religion, and joined the Methodist Episcopal Church, in the twentieth year of his age. Feeling that the Lord had a work for him to do, he served the Church one year as a class-leader, and at the end thereof was licensed to preach the gospel. He preached as a local preacher one year, and at the close was admitted into the Holston Conference on trial. He was ordained a deacon by Bishop Roberts in 1827, and an elder by Bishop Soule in 1829. He remained in the Conference some five years, and then located in 1830. For some fifteen or sixteen years after his location, he preached and labored as a local preacher, and then applied to and was readmitted into the Holston Conference in 1845 or 1846. About six or seven years ago, Brother Keener was appointed to the Echota Indian Mission, in North Carolina, where he preached to and taught a remnant of Cherokees, greatly to their improvement and elevation. The Indians loved him, and greatly lamented his death. Brother Keener's preaching abilities were considerably above ordinary; and his sermons were always doctrinal, experimental, and practical. As a man, Brother Keener was affable and kind, though quite modest and unassuming. As a Christian, he was steadfast and unmovable, always enforcing by example as well as precept the importance of consistency and uprightness in a follower of Christ. The disease of which he died was pulmonary consumption—that slow and insidious disease which almost imperceptibly wastes its subject away into the grave. But though often deceived with prospects of recovering his health, growing out of the nature of his disease, death did not find our brother unprepared, as his last words abundantly testified. He often told his family to indulge no fears with regard to his safety, as he was confident of a home in heaven. He also stated that though his joys were not so ecstatic as many seemed to possess, yet all was well. His dying request was that his family would not grieve after him, and that his brethren might know how he died, be faithful, and meet him in heaven. On the 21st of August, 1856, Brother Keener calmly passed away from earth to a home in the skies.

JOHN MEAD KELLY was born October 31, 1802, in Georgia, it is thought. He professed the religion of Christ August 13, 1817, and joined the Church, as is believed, on the same day. He was appointed a class-leader May 21, 1824, was authorized to exhort May 26, 1826, and was licensed to preach September 27, 1827. At what time he was admitted into the travelling connection, we cannot say; but it is believed that he was in the itinerancy twenty-five years or more. For some few years previous to the session of our last Annual Conference, Brother Kelly was in rather

delicate health; so much so, that he was for a time on our superannuated list. At the last session of our Conference, he was appointed to the Rogersville District, a large and laborious charge. It is thought that the disease of which he died was brought on by his heavy rides and his pulpit labors. He did not talk much during his sickness; but what he did say gave sufficient evidence that he was ready to depart and be with Christ. It was remarked to him at one time during his sickness, "Brother Kelly, I suppose, religiously, all is well with you." "Yes," said he, "I have tried to serve God for many years. I have served him from principle, and now I feel that all is well." He was asked if he enjoyed a permanent gospel peace within. His answer was, "O yes! peace! joy! joy!—if I could only express it!—glory! glory!" Again it was asked, "If you had your life to live over, would you be a Methodist travelling preacher?" His response was, "I had rather be that than any thing else. I had rather be a poor, humble Methodist travelling preacher than President of these United States." Near the closing scene, he requested Brother W. C. Daily to tell his brethren that he died "at his post." In almost the act of crossing the stream of death, he took an affectionate adieu of his family, white and colored, speaking an appropriate word to each, and leaving his dying blessing upon them all. Brother Kelly was an able and very popular preacher, greatly beloved by his brethren, and quite successful in his efforts to bring souls to Christ. On the 2d of September, 1856, this man of God died at his home in Tazewell, Tenn., and passed from the field of action and warfare to his reward with God in heaven.

Ques. 13. What numbers are in our Church in the bounds of the Conference?

Wytheville District.

	White Men's.	White Prob's.	Col'd Mem's.	Col'd Prob's.	Loc'l Pr's.
Wytheville Station	129	13	56	24	1
Wytheville Circuit.....	968	94	91	3	9
Parisburg "	474	40	40	.....	2
Newbern "	279	.....	95	.....	1
Mechanicsburg "	484	93	39	10	3
Princeton "	562	43	23	.....	3
Hillsville "	343	107	14	.....	13
Grayson "	679	67	47	3	13
Marion "	481	46	42	5	4
Jefferson "	575	30	17	.....	10
	4974	533	464	45	59

Abingdon District.

Abingdon Station	94	5	194	6	1
Abingdon Circuit.....	830	118	82	5	5
Saltville "	386	52	47	6	3
Lebanon "	552	115	41	7	4
Estillville "	621	109	80	.....	5
Gass River "	404	73	8	.....	5
Russell Mission.....	64	60	.....	.....	2
Blountsville Circuit.....	1024	50	338	4	10
Jeffersonville "	481	101	137	53	3
Sandy River Mission.....	272	22	.....	.....	3
	4728	705	927	81	41

Rogersville District.

	White Mem's.	White Prob's.	Col'd Mem's.	Col'd Prob's.	Loc'l Pr's.
Rogersville Station.....	71	38	55	17	3
Rogersville Circuit.....	370	168	75	89	3
Kingsport ".....	702	116	60	18	6
Jonesville ".....	647	33	43	5	12
Tazewell Station.....	161	24	34	4	1
Tazewell Circuit.....	600	74	30	7	11
Sneedville ".....	477	.....	14	.....	6
Rutledge ".....	483	62	59	.....	4
Morristown ".....	582	71	39	.....	7
	4093	586	409	140	53

Jonesboro' District.

	White Mem's.	White Prob's.	Col'd Mem's.	Col'd Prob's.	Loc'l Pr's.
Jonesboro' Station.....	95	2	49	2	.....
Jonesboro' Circuit.....	983	242	32	.....	5
Rheatown ".....	868	80	40	2	9
Greenville Station.....	162	44	46	.....	7
Greenville Circuit.....	653	234	14	8	.....
St. Clair ".....	532	106	34	.....	4
Taylorsville ".....	188	93	6	.....	4
Watauga Mission.....	226	45	4	3	1
Elizabethton Circuit.....	427	18	25	.....	10
Newport ".....	441	20	23	.....	5
	4575	884	273	15	45

Knoxville District.

	128	3	.....	.....	2
Knoxville Station.....	128	3	.....	.....	2
East Knoxville Station and Colored Mission...	44	.....	200	30	1
Knox Circuit.....	827	129	106	17	6
Dandridge Circuit.....	686	38	71	.....	3
Sevierville ".....	471	30	.....	.....	1
Little River ".....	713	.....	36	.....	8
Maryville ".....	685	83	96	10	3
Clinton ".....	810	53	57	.....	11
Jacksboro' ".....	463	8	52	2	2
	4827	343	618	59	37

Cumberland District.

	368	27	87	.....	6
Kingston Circuit.....	368	27	87	.....	6
Washington ".....	327	123	42	.....	7
Hamilton Circuit and Walden Mission.....	251	114	23	.....	3
Pikeville Circuit.....	520	27	49	.....	6
Jasper ".....	403	64	55	.....	3
Spencer Mission.....	280	13	4	.....	6
Cumberland Circuit.....	253	72	15	.....	4
Jamestown Mission.....	551	113	8	.....	4
Montgomery ".....	289	28	10	2	5
Huntsville ".....	135	56	.....	1	2
	3377	637	293	3	46

Athens District.

	74	10	50	7	1
Athens Station.....	74	10	50	7	1
Athens Circuit.....	599	51	90	5	10
Cleveland Station.....	120	74	62	11	3
Cleveland Circuit.....	569	72	4	1	7
Charleston ".....	915	137	33	2	13
Chattanooga Station.....	136	.....	63	.....	2
Harrison Circuit.....	393	30	13	.....	5
Philadelphia ".....	635	48	34	4	7
Loudon Station.....	55	.....	16	.....	1
Decatur ".....	693	53	29	4	5
Ocoee Mission.....	297	66	2	.....	5
Madisonville Circuit.....	771	102	6	12	3
	5257	643	402	46	62

Ashville District.

	130	32	100	18	2
Ashville Station.....	130	32	100	18	2
Reem's Creek Circuit....	359	57	59	17	7
Hendersonville ".....	592	46	61	.....	4
Catawba ".....	522	31	144	.....	2
Burnsville ".....	565	96	18	5	4
Sulphur Spring ".....	740	115	42	.....	2
Waynesville ".....	584	83	28	.....	8
Webster ".....	481	16	5	1	2
Franklin ".....	477	44	101	1	2
	4450	520	558	42	33
Echota Miss. (Indians)...	187	62	.....	.....	3

Recapitulation.

	4974	533	464	45	59
Wytheville District.....	4974	533	464	45	59
Abingdon ".....	4728	705	927	81	41
Rogersville ".....	4093	586	409	140	53
Knoxville ".....	4827	343	618	59	37
Cumberland ".....	3377	637	293	3	46
Athens ".....	5257	643	402	46	62
Ashville ".....	4450	520	558	42	36
Jonesboro' ".....	4575	884	273	15	45
Total this year.....	36,281	4851	3944	431	379
Total last year.....	35,394	4078	3629	377	371
Increase.....	887	773	315	54	8
Indians this year.....	219	.....	.....	.....	3
Indians last year.....	182	.....	.....	.....	4
Increase.....	37	.....	.....	Decr.	1

Ques. 14. What amounts are necessary for the superannuated preachers, and the widows and orphans of preachers, and to make up the deficiencies of those who have not obtained their regular allowance on the circuits?

\$9260 74.

Ques. 15. What has been collected on the foregoing accounts, and how has it been applied?

Collections from various charges, \$544 90

Collections on Sunday in the churches in Knoxville, 110 63

Applied as follows :

To J. Cummings,	\$56 38
R. Ganaway,	27 91
W. B. Winton,	95 58
Mrs. S. Patton,	35 04
E. K. Hutsell,	44 71
A. Patton,	27 91
J. Falls,	27 91
O. F. Cunningham,	47 50
W. B. Murphy,	27 91
J. Y. Crawford,	27 91
W. Boring,	52 16
G. Atkin,	27 91
U. Keener,	91 31
C. D. Smith,	65 20

Ques. 16. What has been contributed for the support of Missions, what for the publication of Tracts and Sunday-school

books, and what to aid the American Bible Society and its auxiliaries?

For Missions,	\$4125	37
Bible Cause,	997	10
Sunday-schools and Tracts,	754	34

Ques. 17. Where are the preachers stationed this year?

WYTHEVILLE DISTRICT.

Joseph Haskew, P. E.

Wytheville Station, *J. M. M' Teer*.
 Wytheville Circuit, *A. G. Worly, J. Torbitt*.
 Parisburg, *George Stewart*.
 Newbern, *Wm. M. Kerr*.
 Mechanicsburg, *B. F. White*.
 Princeton, *J. P. Gibson*.
 Hillsville, *D. P. Hunt*.
 Grayson, *C. Mitchell*.
 Marion, *J. C. Hyden*.
 Jefferson, *W. K. Foster*.
 Flat-top Mission, to be supplied.

Thomas K. Catlett, Agent for the St. John's Orphan Asylum.

Ebenezer Stockbridge, Teacher in St. John's Orphan Asylum.

ABINGDON DISTRICT.

F. M. Fanning, P. E.

Abingdon Station, *W. H. Bates*.
 Abingdon Circuit, *J. W. Prismond*.
 Saltville, *H. P. Waugh*.
 Lebanon, *W. F. Parker*.
 Estillville, *Willis Ingle*.
 Gass River Circuit and Russel Mission, *L. C. Delashmitt*, (one to be supplied.)
 Blountsville, *G. W. Miles, M. H. Spencer*.
 Jeffersonville, *John Boring*.
 Sandy River Mission, *G. W. Smith*.
 Emory and Henry College, *Ephraim E. Wiley*,
 President; *James A. Davis*.
 Blountsville Masonic Female Institute, *Wm. W. Neal*, President.

George W. Alexander, Agent for Emory and Henry College.

KNOXVILLE DISTRICT.

R. M. Stevens, P. E.

Knoxville Station, *E. C. Wexler*.
 East Knoxville and Colored Charge, *W. Witcher*.
 Knox Circuit, *J. G. Swisher, R. K. Scruggs*.
 Dandridge, *J. N. S. Huffaker*.
 Sevierville, *M. P. Swain*.
 Little River, *R. M. Whaley*.
 Clinton, *A. M. Goodykoontz*.
 Jacksboro', *Patrick H. Reed*.

J. B. Little, Agent for Strawberry Plains College.

CUMBERLAND DISTRICT.

David Flemming, P. E.

Washington, *J. W. Williamson*.
 Hamilton, *John Alley*.
 Pikeville, *George W. Penly*.
 Jasper, *John Spears*.
 Spencer Mission, *John T. Stansbury*.
 Cumberland Mission, *Roan Clear*.
 Jamestown Mission, *Lawrence M. Renfro*.
 Montgomery Mission, *H. Rule*.
 Huntsville Mission, to be supplied.

ATHENS DISTRICT.

Thomas K. Munsey, P. E.

Athens Station, *S. Philips*.
 Athens Circuit, *Carrol Long*.
 Decatur, *W. E. Munsey*.
 Madisonville, *R. A. Giddens, A. J. Grier*.
 Philadelphia, *Wm. H. H. Duggan*.
 Lowden, to be supplied.
 Kingston, *J. W. Dickey*.
 Marysville, *J. H. Bruner*.

CHATTANOOGA DISTRICT.

E. F. Sevier, P. E.

Chattanooga Station, *Wm. H. Kelly*.
 Harrison Circuit, *Abel R. Wilson*.
 Cleveland Station, *R. N. Price*.
 Cleveland Circuit, *J. A. Hyden*.
 Charleston Circuit, *B. W. S. Bishop, L. W. Crouch*, Sup'y.
 Benton, *W. Ballinger, C. T. M'Donald*.
 Ocoee Mission, *J. S. Edwards*.

ROGERSVILLE DISTRICT.

Rufus M. Hickey, P. E.

Rogersville Circuit, *Wm. C. Graves, J. T. Freeman*.
 Kingsport, *J. T. Smith*.
 Jonesville, *Wm. Wyatt*.
 Tazewell Circuit, *H. West*.
 Tazewell Station, *C. Godby*.
 Sneedville Circuit, *W. W. Smith*.
 Rutledge, *P. S. Suttan*.
 Morristown, *L. C. Waters*.

ASHVILLE DISTRICT.

R. W. Patty, P. E.

Ashville Station, *E. E. Gillenwaters*.
 Reems Creek, *E. Conner*.
 Hendersonville, *James R. Long*.
 Catawba, *Wm. H. Howell*.
 Burnsville, *Gaston M. Massey*.
 Sulphur Spring, *J. D. Baldwin*.
 Waynesville, *Alexander F. English*.
 Franklin, *Andrew Gass*.
 Webster and Echota Mission, *J. W. Bird, J. B. Foster*.
A. W. Cummings, President of Holston Female College.
C. Campbell, Agent for the Holston Female College.

JONESBORO' DISTRICT.

*W. C. Dailey, P. E.*Jonesboro' Station, *T. J. Pope.*Jonesboro' Circuit, *W. Robinson.*Fallbranch, *J. R. Stradley.*Greenville, *J. Reynolds, G. Creamer.*Rheatown, *Wm. Milburn.*St. Clair, *D. D. Carter.*Taylorsville, *Alexander E. Woodward.*Watauga Mission, *T. M. Dula.*

Newport, to be supplied.

Elizabethtown, *A. G. Copeland.**J. Atkins, Agent for American Bible Society.**Wm. H. Rogers, Agent for Tract Society.**W. G. E. Cunningham, Missionary to China.*

Ques. 18. Where and when shall our next Conference be held?

At Marion, Virginia.

8.—MEMPHIS CONFERENCE.

HELD AT JACKSON, TENN., *October 15–21, 1856.*BISHOP EARLY, *President*; GILFORD JONES, *Secretary.*

QUESTION 1. What preachers are admitted on trial?

ANSWER. John H. Cooper, Jos. Evans, James W. Kirk, F. A. Wilkerson, Tilman Page, Reddin P. White, John W. Medlin, William C. Green, Hillen A. Bourland, R. S. Swift, Henry J. Harris, M. D. T. Fly, George B. Barton, Whitnel P. Kimble. 14.

Readmitted, Riddick P. Harris, J. N. Temple, C. C. Glover, Thomas P. Davidson, A. B. Fly. 5.

Ques. 2. Who remain on trial?

Amos Kendall, Andrew C. Smith, Thos. G. Lane, Horace Jewell, Daniel M'Bride, Alexander S. Hamilton, Henry B. Covington, Joseph B. Harris, George K. Brooks, William Harrison, Eldridge L. Fisher, Josiah Greer, John G. Davie. 13.

Ques. 3. Who are admitted into full connection?

Wm. T. Melergin, Nathanael P. Ramsey, Robert W. Ayers, Jasper A. Mason, Andrew J. Lee, Archibald L. Hunsaker, Jas. M. Spence, John T. Merriwether, John S. Harris, Stephen W. Carson, Simeon R. Walker, Clayton J. Mouldin, Jesse Smothermon, Charles F. Quellmaltz. 14.

Ques. 4. Who are the deacons?

Benjamin H. Bishop, Elias J. Carter, John A. Fife, Thomas J. Gooch, Abner P. Sage, William W. M'Anally, John H. M'Cullock, Francis M. Morris, John H. Witt, John P. Webb, Emsley B. Plummer, and those admitted and ordained, as above. 25.

Ques. 5. Who have been elected and ordained elders this year?

Henry Bell, Robert H. Burns, William T. Harris, John W. Johnson, James B. M'Cutcheon, John W. Piner, Richard A. Umstead, Simpson Weaver. 8.

Ques. 6. Who have located this year?

Augustus B. Longstreet, William M. M'Ferrin, James N. Hawkins, John R. Fielder. 4.

Ques. 7. Who are the supernumeraries?

Reuben Ellis, Robert M. Tarrant, Robert Gregory, James W. Bates, William N. Morgan, William M'Mahan, John C. Reed, J. T. Baskerville, D. J. Allen, A. Lea, Chas. Tidwell, James Perry, John P. Webb, William W. M'Anally. 14.

Ques. 8. Who are the superannuated or worn-out preachers?

Joseph Travis, John Hunter, Isaac N. Manly, D. C. Wells, Jeremiah Moss, Jas. M. Major, William D. Scott, William H. Gillespie. 8.

Ques. 9. Who have been expelled from the Connection this year?

None.

Ques. 10. Who have withdrawn from the Connection this year?

None.

Ques. 11. Are all the preachers blameless in life and conversation?

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

Ques. 12. Who have died this year?

A. C. Chisholm, William W. Peeples, Lucian B. King, and C. W. Rozell, who was on trial. 4.

ALEXANDER C. CHISHOLM was born in Maury county, Tennessee, February 8, 1811; embraced religion October 10, 1827; and, in 1836, he was received on trial in the Tennessee Annual Conference, and appointed to the Bellefonte Mission. In 1837, he was appointed to the Limestone Circuit; in 1838, to White Creek Circuit; in 1839, to Purdy Circuit; in 1840, to Lagrange Station; in 1841, to Wadesboro' Circuit; in 1842, to Huntingdon Circuit; in 1843, to Tallahatchie Circuit; in 1844, to Pontotoc Circuit; in 1845, to Itawamba Circuit; in 1846, to Grenada Circuit; in 1847, to Pontotoc Circuit; in 1848, he was supernumerary; in 1849 and 1850, he was appointed to the Houston Circuit; in 1851 and 1852, to Pontotoc Circuit; in 1853, to Aberdeen Circuit; in 1854, to Pontotoc Circuit; and in 1855 he again became supernumerary, in which relation he continued to the day of his death, October 2, 1856. Few better men than our departed brother ever lived. He was a man of God, a loyal Methodist preacher, a devoted husband, an affectionate father, an indulgent master, and a kind neighbor. He was beloved by all who knew him: his praise was in all the churches, and his record is on high. He was an able and useful minister: success attended his labors, and triumph crowned his dying-hour. Though his afflictions were protracted and severe, he bore them all with great patience; and when the fatal moment came, he was not only ready and anxious to go, but especially requested that his brethren of the Memphis Conference should be told that the gospel he had so long preached to others, sustained and comforted him in death. A few days before his death, the Lord's Supper was administered to him; and, as he partook of the emblems of the broken body and shed blood of our blessed Saviour, his soul was fired with heavenly rapture; and in this delightful state of mind he continued until he breathed his life away. He is gone; and, though we lament his loss, we will endeavor to imitate his example, and meet him upon the eternal shore.

WILLIAM W. PEEPLES departed this life, near Aberdeen, Mississippi, August 8, 1856. The time and place of his birth are unknown to us, nor can we tell when he embraced religion, united with the Church, or received authority to preach. It is known, however, that he gave his heart to God in the days of his youth, and that, in 1846, he was employed to travel the Trenton Circuit, as the colleague of the lamented and sainted M'Farland. The ensuing autumn he joined the Memphis Annual Conference, and was sent to the Jackson Circuit,

where he did a good work, made many kind friends, and will be affectionately remembered for many long years to come. In 1848, he was appointed to the Lexington Circuit; in 1849, to Brownsville Circuit; in 1850, to Somerville Station; in 1851, to Dresden Station; in 1852, to Somerville Station; in 1853, to Brownsville Station; in 1854, to Trenton Station; in 1855, to the Aberdeen Circuit; and in 1856 he was returned to the same work. It is not enough to say that he was a good man: he was an excellent preacher, and one of the best of pastors. His words were arrows of fire, winged by the Holy Ghost to the hearts of perishing sinners; and so skilfully did he wield the sword of the Spirit, so uniformly did the power of God attend his efforts, that he was enabled, every year of his ministry, to report a gracious revival. As a minister and as a man, he was deservedly popular. To know him was to love him; and, though he left the savor of a good name, and fruits of honest toil, in every appointment he ever filled, it is believed that he was never more beloved and more extensively useful than on the Aberdeen Circuit. No man ever stood higher in the affections of that people; and if the prayers of the Church, the tears of devoted friends, kind treatment, and professional skill could have prevailed, "our brother had not died." But the decree had gone forth: the watchman was stricken down from the walls; and, after languishing for about fifteen days, as calmly as the sun sinks to rest he fell asleep in the bosom of Jesus. Nor was he afraid to die; for he met death as a conquered foe; and, though he literally slept himself away from earth, and no word of triumph escaped his dying lips, his previous conversations were such as to assure his surviving friends that he was ready and willing to depart. While the Methodist Church has lost a devoted and useful minister, an affectionate and deeply bereaved wife the kindest of husbands, his aged parents a dutiful son, and the world an ornament and benefactor, heaven has gained another bright angelic spirit: another precious jewel glistens in the crown of Jesus, and another harp pours forth its living melody around the everlasting throne.

LUCIAN B. KING, son of Elias and Rebecca King, was born in Rutherford county, Tennessee, October 21, 1826. He professed religion and joined the Methodist Episcopal Church at a camp-meeting held by A. L. P. Green, at Olive Branch Camp-ground, in Rutherford county, Tennessee, in the autumn of 1841. He was licensed to preach on the Brownsville Circuit, and admitted on trial in the Memphis Conference in the autumn of 1853. He labored on the Denmark Circuit with F. Bynum in 1854, and on the Paris Circuit, with Henry Bell, in 1855. He was admitted into full connection in November, 1855,

and ordained deacon by Bishop Kavanaugh, at Memphis. He was, at that Conference, appointed in charge of the Camden Circuit, where he labored, as he had done on his other circuits, with great acceptability. But a mysterious Providence removed him suddenly from his field of labor. He was taken with hernia while preaching on the 5th of July; and though skilful physicians were called to his aid, he died on Thursday following. One who was with him says that among his last words were, "Tell my brethren that I died at my post. All is well: all is well!"

C. W. ROZELL breathed his last on the 28th of August, at his father-in-law's, Col. John B. Fants, near Holly Springs, Mississippi. He was born in Henderson county, Tennessee, on the 11th of October, 1820. He was early dedicated to the Lord in holy baptism, for which he blessed and thanked his mother upon his dying-bed. In 1838, while a student of Lagrange College, he was most powerfully converted to God, while, as an humble penitent, he was receiving instruction from Bishop Paine. He has often been heard to say that he would as soon doubt his own existence as his conversion at that time. After his first marriage he moved to Tallahatchie county, Mississippi. In 1840 he was called upon to give up his wife and two interesting children. Feeling that he was called to the work of the ministry, he made application to the Church, and in 1846 he was licensed to preach by Brother T. L. Boswell. He removed in 1847 to Coahoma county, Mississippi, where he labored very efficiently as a local preacher. In the autumn of 1850, he was united in marriage to Ann E. Fant. In the autumn of 1854, he was admitted on trial into the Memphis Conference, and was appointed to the Bahalia Circuit, now a part of the Holly Springs Circuit, where he labored with great acceptability and usefulness. In this field of labor he won to himself many warm friends. At our last Conference he was appointed by Bishop Kavanaugh to the Friar's Point Circuit, where he has labored during the present Conference year. A few weeks ago he left home with his family to visit his parents and friends. On his way up the river he fell sick, and came to his father's, near Memphis, (who is since dead,) where he remained for some two weeks, during which period, his Christian friends who visited him found him in a happy frame of mind, ready, waiting his Master's will. Being somewhat improved, and hoping a change would be advantageous, he was taken to his father-in-law's, in Marshall county, Mississippi. But soon after his removal, he began to grow worse; and it was ascertained that he must die. He requested that his mother should be sent for, as he wanted her present to see him die. The only

regret he seemed to have was to part with his affectionate wife and dear little children. After commending his wife and children to God, he ardently wished and sincerely prayed that his little son Wilbur might become a preacher of the gospel, and asked his friends to train him in the fear of God. Some two days before he died, his sister (Mrs. Bates) and brother (Col. Y. P. Rozell) came to see him: he expressed himself as glad to see them. He said he "never before had such exalted views of heaven and Divine things: if God spared his life, he would feel better prepared to do his duty as a preacher than ever before." He often exclaimed, "What a blessed *calling* is that of a minister of the gospel!" Then with Christian-like submission he said, "I am confident if I live, it will be for the best; if I die, it will be for the best: whether I live or die, it will be for the best." The morning before he died, as the decisive hour drew near, he exclaimed, "I am a dead man! Dead, did I say? I shall never die, but shall live in immortal bliss." When the shades of death closed in upon him, the last words he was heard to utter were, "'Most gone: happy, happy, happy!'" Thus died a faithful itinerant, at his post of duty, covered with honor, with the shout of triumph upon his lips.

Ques. 13. What numbers are in our Church in the bounds of the Conference?

Memphis District.

	White Mem's.	White Prob's.	Col'd Mem's.	Col'd Prob's.	Loc' Pr's.
Wesley Chapel	250	.....	.....	.....	1
Wesley Colored Mission..	.....	.....	114	.....	.....
Asbury Chapel and Col'd Mission.....	285	40	190	.....	5
Forest Chapel and Edge- wood	34	.....	65	10	1
Hernando Station.....	111	18	.....	.....	1
Hernando Circuit.....	342	71	.....	.....	7
Hernando Colored Miss..	.....	.....	442	.....	.....
Friar's Point Circuit.....	102	7	19	.....	2
Concordia Circuit.....	40	19	40	20	.....
Commerce Mission.....	.....	.....	15	.....	.....
	1164	155	885	30	17

Somerville District.

Somerville Station.....	105	19	80	6	1
Somerville Circuit.....	552	36	100	.....	7
Somerville Col'd Miss..	.....	.....	91	.....	.....
Randolph Circuit.....	421	12	5	.....	9
Randolph Colored Miss..	96	.....	196	.....	.....
Wesley Circuit.....	638	66	.....	.....	6
Wesley Colored Mission..	.....	.....	399	21	.....
Brownsville Station.....	63	2	42	.....	.....
Brownsville Circuit.....	740	56	.....	.....	9
Brownsville Col'd Miss..	.....	.....	320	.....	.....
Denmark Circuit	605	20	220	.....	3
Lagrange Station	98	8	45	.....	1
Lagrange Circuit.....	532	47	.....	.....	10
Lagrange Colored Miss..	.....	.....	275	44	.....
	3870	266	1773	71	40

Jackson District.

	White Mem's.	White Prob's.	Col'd Mem's.	Col'd Prob's.	Loc'l Pr's.
Jackson Station.....	176	.....	.....	.....	2
Jackson Colored Mission.....	.....	.....	120	.....	.....
Jackson Circuit.....	437	50	82	18	6
Trenton Station.....	118	6	54	.....	3
Trenton Circuit.....	1011	135	120	4	19
Dyersburg Station.....	100	12	25	6	.....
Dyersburg Circuit.....	652	50	45	.....	8
Cageville Circuit.....	647	16	17	20	8
	3141	269	463	48	46

Paducah District.

Paducah Station.....	145	5	.....	.....	1
Paducah Mission.....	17	.....	119	.....	1
Lovellsville Circuit.....	300	60	15	10	2
Clinton Circuit.....	647	52	26	15	12
Hickman Station.....	66	16	11	.....	.....
Hickman Circuit.....	749	59	69	.....	5
Madrid Bend Circuit.....	76	15	.....	.....	2
Obion Circuit.....	235	100	6	4	4
Maury ".....	825	82	31	.....	18
Girard Furnace and Mt. Carmel.....	33	23	8	2	1
Benton Circuit.....	606	160	19	6	9
Birmingham Circuit.....	253	100	6	.....	6
	3952	672	310	37	61

Paris District.

Paris Station.....	88	4	75	.....	1
Paris Circuit.....	835	128	151	47	8
Dresden Station.....	63	17	22	3	.....
Dresden Circuit.....	700	50	30	.....	10
Camden ".....	636	.....	.....	.....	6
Morgan's Creek Mission.....	275	59	5	.....	5
Lexington Circuit.....	620	147	25	7	16
Decaturville.....	709	123	38	6	17
	3926	528	346	63	63

Ripley District.

Ripley Circuit.....	270	48	48	12	5
Porter's Creek Circuit.....	336	281	6	15	6
Little Hatchie Mission.....	224	56	18	.....	8
Mt. Pinson Circuit.....	506	52	47	6	7
Montezuma ".....	400	55	37	5	3
Adamsville ".....	500	50	7	.....	5
Jacinto ".....	474	49	94	.....	10
Eastport and Mt. Olivet.....	18	.....	.....	.....	2
Eastport Circuit.....	380	66	15	.....	7
Rienzi ".....	795	75	23	.....	9
	3903	732	295	38	62

Aberdeen District.

Aberdeen Station and Colored Mission.....	180	15	175	15	6
Aberdeen Circuit.....	85	23	10	.....	.....
Prairie Colored Mission.....	.....	.....	619	70	.....
Houston Circuit.....	567	37	174	13	10
Okolona Circuit and Col'd Mission.....	266	.....	114	.....	3
Richmond Circuit.....	406	24	92	6	6
Fulton ".....	374	44	.....	.....	5
Carrollville ".....	351	86	30	.....	5
Pontotoc ".....	502	100	147	25	11
	2731	329	1361	129	46

Grenada District.

Grenada Station.....	116	21	48	1	.....
Grenada Circuit.....	185	10	160	.....	5
Calhoun Circuit.....	570	126	45	18	8
Coffeeville & Col'd Miss..	430	126	68	29	5
Charleston Circuit.....	100	41	.....	.....	.....
Panola Circuit.....	255	105	72	.....	1
Oxf'd & Andrew Chapel.....	58	.....	30	.....	1
Oxford Circuit.....	617	113	101	16	4
	2831	542	524	64	24

Holly Springs District.

	White Mem's.	White Prob's.	Col'd Mem's.	Col'd Prob's.	Loc'l Pr's.
Holly Springs Station....	177	8	.....	.....	10
Holly Springs Col'd Miss.....	.....	.....	150	.....	.....
Holly Springs Circuit....	686	45	.....	.....	9
Holly Springs Circuit Colored Mission.....	.....	.....	129	160	.....
Marshall Circuit.....	399	35	.....	.....	7
Marshall Colored Miss.....	.....	.....	261	49	.....
Salem Circuit.....	388	45	.....	.....	1
Salem Colored Mission.....	.....	.....	43	10	.....
Hickory Flat Circuit.....	232	45	40	12	3
Belmont Circuit.....	273	49	240	23	5
Chulahoma Circuit.....	540	102	38	5	4
Chulahoma Colored Miss.....	.....	.....	168	125	.....
	2695	329	1069	384	39

Recapitulation.

Memphis District.....	1164	155	885	30	17
Somerville ".....	3870	266	1773	71	46
Jackson ".....	3141	269	463	48	46
Paducah ".....	3952	672	310	37	61
Paris ".....	3926	528	346	63	63
Ripley ".....	3903	732	295	38	62
Aberdeen ".....	2731	329	1361	129	46
Grenada ".....	2381	542	524	64	24
Holly Springs ".....	2695	329	1069	384	39
Total this year.....	27,713	3822	7026	864	404
Total last year.....	28,771	3316	7278	371	385
Increase.....		506		493	19
Decrease.....	1058		252		

Ques. 14. What amounts are necessary for the superannuated preachers, and the widows and orphans of preachers, and to make up the deficiencies of those who have not obtained their regular allowance on the circuits?

\$7145 15.

Ques. 15. What has been collected on the foregoing accounts, and how has it been applied?

Collected from stations, circuits, and Preachers' Relief Fund, \$1249 83
Applied to deficient preachers, superannuated, etc., 1244 73
Necessitous case and stationery, 5 10

\$1249 83

Ques. 16. What has been contributed for the support of Missions, what for the publication of Tracts and Sunday-school books, and what to aid the American Bible Society and its auxiliaries?

For Missions, \$7700 00
Tracts, 1817 50
Sunday-school books, 637 30
Bible Society, 1274 00

Ques. 17. Where are the preachers stationed this year?

MEMPHIS DISTRICT.

W. C. Robb, P. E.

Memphis:

- { Wesley Chapel, *James N. Temple*.
- { Colored Mission, to be supplied.
- { Ashbury Chapel, *Philip Tuggle*.
- { Ashbury Colored Mission, *Thomas P. Davidson*.
- { Davidson Chapel Mission, *Chas. F. Quellmaltz*.
- { Hernando, *E. J. Williams*.
- { Hernando Circuit, *B. T. Crouch*, *Joseph Evans*, *W. W. M'Anally*, Sup'y.
- { Colored Mission, to be supplied.
- Forest Chapel and Edgewood, *Lorenzo D. Mullins*.
- { Friar's Point Circuit, *Thomas J. Smothers*, *Reddin O. White*.
- { Commerce Mission, *James W. Kirk*.
- Concordia Circuit, *Abner P. Sage*.
- Randolph Circuit, *R. S. Harris*.
- Randolph Colored Mission, *John A. Campbell*.
- { Chulahoma Circuit, *Robert L. Andrews*, *John H. Cooper*.
- { Colored Mission, *Elias J. Carter*.
- Francis A. Owen*, Book Agent.
- Samuel Watson*, Editor of Memphis and Arkansas Christian Advocate.

GRENADA DISTRICT.

Wm. H. Leigh, P. E.

- Grenada, *J. T. W. Auld*.
- Grenada Circuit and Colored Mission, *Robert H. Burns*, *Smith W. Moore*.
- Calhoun Circuit, *James M. Hampton*.
- Coffeeville Circuit and Colored Mission, *Robt. Martin*, *Tilman Page*.
- Charleston Circuit and Colored Mission, *A. B. Fly*.
- Panola Circuit and Colored Mission, *Wade H. Frost*, *J. C. Reed*, Sup'y.
- Oxford, *Lewis H. Davis*.
- Oxford Circuit and Colored Mission, *Samuel S. Scott*, *M. D. T. Fly*.
- Bellefonte, *Charles B. Harris*, *Reddick P. Harris*, *J. W. Bates*, Sup'y.

ABERDEEN DISTRICT.

Joseph H. Brooks, P. E.

- Aberdeen and Colored Mission, *John Moss*, *Addison Lea*, Sup'y.
- Aberdeen Circuit, *Wm. T. Harris*.
- Prairie Colored Mission, *John Young*.
- Houston Circuit, *Miles H. Ford*, *Horace Jewell*.
- Okolona Circuit and Colored Mission, *Thomas J. Lowry*.
- Richmond Circuit, *Kinchen Adams*.
- Fulton Circuit, *Jesse S. Smothermon*.
- Carrollville Circuit, *Clayton J. Mouldin*.
- Pontotoc, *Andrew J. Lee*.
- Pontotoc Circuit, *Wm. S. Jones*, *Andrew C. Smith*.

HOLLY SPRINGS DISTRICT.

M. J. Blackwell, P. E.

- { Holly Springs, *Amos Kendall*, *D. J. Allen*, Sup'y.
- { Colored Mission, to be supplied.
- { Holly Springs Circuit, *Joseph E. Douglas*, *Wm. M' Mahan*, Sup'y.
- { Colored Mission, *Samuel B. Carson*.
- { Marshall Circuit, *Thomas Joyner*, *George K. Brooks*.
- { Colored Mission, *Wm. R. Dickey*.
- Salem Circuit and Colored Mission, *Josiah Greer*, *W. P. Kimble*.
- Hickory Flat Circuit, *Joseph B. Harris*.
- Ripley Circuit, *Francis M. Morris*.
- Rienza Circuit, *James Gaines*, *Henry B. Covington*.
- Jacinto Circuit, *Robert G. Raney*, *J. P. Webb*, Sup'y.
- Eastport, *John H. Garrett*.
- Eastport Circuit, *John W. Piner*.
- Middleton Circuit, *Alexander S. Hamilton*.
- P. J. Eckles*, President of Bahalia Female Institute.

SOMERVILLE DISTRICT.

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

- Somerville, *Ashley R. Wilson*, *Robt. V. Taylor*, Sup'y.
- { Somerville Circuit, *Finley Bynum*, *F. A. Wilkerson*.
- { Colored Mission, *James Perry*.
- { Wesley Circuit, *Thomas L. Boswell*, *J. G. Acton*, *J. T. Baskerville*, Sup'y.
- { Colored Mission, *J. L. Culpepper*.
- Brownsville, *A. H. Thomas*.
- { Brownsville Circuit, *Clement C. Glover*, *John S. Harris*, *R. Gregory*, Sup'y.
- { Colored Mission, *F. L. Steel*.
- Denmark Circuit, *Bryant Medlin*, *E. L. Fisher*.
- Lagrange, *James W. Knott*.
- { Lagrange Circuit, *E. T. Hart*, *Jasper A. Mason*, *Wm. N. Morgan*, Sup'y.
- { Colored Mission, *John W. Walkup*.

JACKSON DISTRICT.

E. C. Slater, P. E.

- { Jackson, *J. T. C. Collins*.
- { Colored Mission, to be supplied.
- Jackson Circuit, *Elias Jackson*.
- Cageville Circuit, *N. P. Ramsey*, *J. G. Davie*.
- Mount Pinson Circuit, *Joseph Johnson*, *George B. Barton*.
- Decatursville Circuit, *Henry Bell*.
- Lexington Circuit, *Peter J. Kelsey*.
- Morgan's Creek Mission, *Romulus S. Swift*.
- Adamsville Circuit, *Thomas G. Lane*.
- Rock Spring Circuit, *Stephen W. Carson*.
- Montezuma Circuit, *John A. Fife*.

Amos W. Jones, President of Memphis Conference Female Institute.

Lorenzo Lea, Professor in West Tennessee College.

PARIS DISTRICT.

Nathan Sullivan, P. E.

Paris, *W. D. F. Hafford.*

Paris Circuit, *N. A. D. Bryant, John W. Medlin.*

Camden Circuit, *Robert W. Ayers.*

Huntingdon, *Richard A. Umstead.*

Trenton, *John T. Merriwether.*

Trenton Circuit, *David C. M'Cutcheon, John H. M'Culloch, M. H. Neal, Sup'y.*

Dyersburg, *E. E. Hamilton, R. M. Tarrant, Sup'y.*

Dyersburg Circuit, *John Randle, B. H. Bishop.*

Dresden, *James M. Spence.*

Dresden Circuit, *Reuben Alphin, Wm. Harrison.*

Guilford Jones, President of Andrew College.

PADUCAH DISTRICT.

Hudson D. Howell, P. E.

{ Paducah, *James M. Scott.*

{ Paducah Mission, *Archibald L. Hunsaker.*

Paducah Circuit, *John H. Witt.*

Clinton Circuit, *James B. M'Cutcheon, Hillen A. Bourland.*

Hickman, *Thomas J. Gooch.*

Madrid Bend Circuit, *Simeon R. Walker.*

Obion Circuit, *Elias Tidwell, Sup'y.*

Hickman Circuit, *Simpson Weaver.*

Maury Circuit, *M. D. Robinson, William C. Green.*

Benton Circuit, *Wm. F. Melergin.*

Birmingham Circuit, *Emsley B. Plummer.*

Thomas A. Ware, transferred to the Virginia Conference.

W. J. M'Farland, transferred to the Wachita Conference.

John W. Johnson, Daniel M'Bride, transferred to the Louisiana Conference.

George F. Thompson, transferred to the Mississippi Conference.

Wm. Shapard, transferred to the Alabama Conference.

Ques. 18. Where and when shall our next Conference be held?

At Holly Springs, Mississippi.

9.—MISSISSIPPI CONFERENCE.

HELD AT KOSCIUSKO, MISS., Nov. 26—Dec. 2, 1856.

BISHOP PIERCE, *President*; WILLIAM H. WATKINS, *Secretary.*

QUESTION 1. What preachers are admitted on trial?

ANSWER. Richard T. Hennington, Wallace W. Graves, Thomas C. Raynor, Vernon H. Johnston, William H. Scales, William H. Mullens, Richard Abbey, John W. Jones, Albert Becton. 9.

Readmitted, Benjamin Jones, William Price. 2.

Ques. 2. Who remain on trial?

Alexander J. Smith, William G. Millsaps, Ebenezer M. Smalley, Thomas M. Ward, John Boyes, David M. Wadsworth, John D. Willis, Kenneth A. Jones, Robert W. Lambeth, Samuel T. Swinney. 10.

Ques. 3. Who are admitted into full connection?

*William S. Townsend, *Whitfield Harrington, *Henry D. Berry, *Elisha F. Mullins, *John J. Wheat, *James S. Harris,

*Jas. English, Wm. B. Johnson, (deacon,) David W. Dillehay, (deacon,) Josiah M. Pugh, (elder.) 10.

Ques. 4. Who are the deacons?

John W. Adams, John J. Clarke, Geo. H. Clinton, Francis M. Featherston, Ephraim A. Flowers, Christopher R. Godfrey, George J. Mortimer, Thomas C. Parish, George D. Wade, James W. Lambeth, and those admitted and ordained, as above. 19.

Ques. 5. Who have been elected and ordained elders this year?

John A. B. Jones, Archibald Nicholson, James Shelton, Benjamin J. Woodward, Henry M. Youngblood, James O. Woodward. 6.

Question 6. Who have located this year?

Edwin Mortimer, James J. Early, Thos. Price, Benjamin F. A. Lilly. 4.

Ques. 7. Who are the supernumeraries?

Barnabas Pipkin, John W. Adams, John M. Jones. 3.

Ques. 8. Who are the superannuated or worn-out preachers?

William Winans, Lewis Garrett, Thomas Owen, Thos. Clinton, Peter James, Hardy Mullins, Green M. Rogers, Preston Cooper, Jas. M'Lennan, Jas. O. Woodward. 10.

Ques. 9. Who have been expelled from the Connection this year?

None.

Ques. 10. Who have withdrawn from the Connection this year?

Calvin M'Guffy. 1.

Ques. 11. Are all the preachers blameless in life and conversation?

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

Ques. 12. Who have died this year?

None.

Ques. 13. What numbers are in our Church in the bounds of the Conference?

Natchez District.

	White Mem's.	White Prob's.	Col'd Mem's.	Col'd Prob's.	Loc'l Pr's.
Natchez.....	238	24	443	34	2
Woodville.....	147	.....	131	.....	1
Washington & Col'd Miss.	40	11	320	75	.....
Kingston and Col'd Miss.	15	.....	172	.....	.....
Buffalo Circuit.....	193	68	12	12	2
Buffalo Colored Mission..	.....	.....	109	.....	.....
Wilkerson Circuit.....	130	105	5	361	3
Laurel Hill & Col'd Miss.	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Homochitto Mission.....	.....	.....	93	109	.....
Pinkneyville & Barrows.	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Percy's Creek and Col'd Mission.....	71	20	327	90	1
Clinton.....	90	.....	175	15	1
East Feliciana.....	290	21	32	.....	.....
East Feliciana Col'd Miss.	.....	.....	436	473	.....
Jackson, La.....	159	63	80	70	.....
	1373	312	2335	1239	10

Vicksburg District.

Vicksburg.....	230	.....	.....	.....	1
Vicksburg Col'd Miss.....	.....	.....	250	.....	.....
Warren and Col'd Miss...	136	26	150	20	1
Clinton.....	275	28	182	30	2
Raymond and Spring Ridge.....	165	93	180	92	4
Jackson, Mississippi.....	186	40	180	55	.....
Crystal Springs.....	293	45	61	.....	5
Port Gibson and Grand Gulf.....	82	30	50	5	.....
Rocky Springs.....	43	35	.....	.....	.....
Rocky Springs Col. Miss.	.....	.....	300	.....	.....
Steele & Wesley Chapel..	20	5	75	25	.....
	1430	302	1428	227	13

Greenville District.

	White Mem's.	White Prob's.	Col'd Mem's.	Col'd Prob's.	Loc'l Pr's.
Greenville.....	25	3	200	10	.....
Bolivar.....	22	4	244	125	.....
Upper Deer Creek.....	.....	.....	300	100	.....
Sunflower.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Rolling Fork and Hill's Plantations.....	11	5	151	141	.....
Talula.....	17	.....	650	.....	.....
Lake Washington.....	32	.....	56	58	1
	107	12	1601	434	1

Yazoo District.

Yazoo City.....	90	6	74	12	4
Yazoo Circuit.....	314	90	.....	20	7
Big Black Colored Miss...	.....	.....	318	109	.....
Valley Colored Mission...	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Holmes.....	208	64	61	65	1
Bee Lake Colored Miss...	.....	.....	85	.....	.....
Richland and Lexington.	97	29	45	38	2
Black Hawk.....	320	63	175	.....	4
Middleton.....	384	75	203	7	5
Carrollton.....	364	.....	30	.....	1
Carroll Colored Mission..	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Sidon Mission.....	16	.....	.....	180	.....
Greenwood Mission.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
North Warren.....	183	25	100	80	2
North Warren Col'd Miss.	.....	.....	.....	55	.....
	1976	352	1091	406	28

Sharon District.

Sharon and Thornton Chapel.....	152	3	100	42	1
Canton.....	130	10	59	20	2
Canton Colored Mission..	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Midway " ".....	5	.....	94	4	.....
Vernon and Livingston Colored Mission.....	82	13	60	70	2
Robson's Plantations.....	.....	.....	93	.....	.....
Carthage.....	298	73	28	10	9
Attala.....	427	63	.....	.....	10
Bankston.....	446	94	23	4	5
Greensboro' Mission.....	348	101	20	21	6
Starkville.....	239	84	22	16	1
Octibbeha.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Camden.....	228	68	80	.....	5
McWillie's Colored Miss.	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
	2355	499	579	187	41

Paulding District.

Paulding and Col'd Miss.	314	100	83	50	4
Westville.....	177	65	30	26	2
Raleigh.....	208	56	.....	14	4
Strong River.....	263	59	.....	36	3
Rankin and Col'd Miss...	382	287	107	189	10
Hillsboro'.....	225	100	30	5	6
Decatur Mission.....	195	60	13	.....	6
Philadelphia.....	274	100	3	51	8
Louisville.....	528	148	165	.....	.....
	2566	976	431	371	43

Covington District.

Covington.....	314	141	278	32	3
Gainesville.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Columbia.....	95	10	66	6	2
Sea-Shore.....	150	.....	.....	.....	4
Leaf River Mission.....	143	33	11	5	3
Black Creek ".....	113	70	1	6	2
Livingston ".....	166	25	57	12	5
East Baton Rouge.....	150	29	19	28	1
	1131	308	432	89	20

Fayette District.

	White Mem's.	White Prob's.	Col'd Mem's.	Col'd Prob's.	Loc'l Pr's.
Coles Creek	256	25	.....	.....	2
Coles Creek Col'd Miss....	.....	.....	647	53	.....
Scotland.....	231	64	141	5	.....
Bayou Pierre.....	341	122	230	127	5
Georgetown.....	231	146	.....	57	5
Pearl River.....	348	164	125	84	10
Amite.....	336	87	340	.....	5
St. Helena.....	300	35	300	25	6
	2093	643	1783	351	37

Recapitulation.

Natchez District.....	1373	312	2335	1239	10
Vicksburg ".....	1430	302	1428	227	13
Greenville ".....	107	12	1601	434	1
Yazoo ".....	1976	352	1091	466	26
Sharon ".....	2355	499	579	187	41
Paulding ".....	2566	975	431	371	43
Covington ".....	1131	308	432	89	20
Fayette ".....	2093	643	1783	351	37
Total this year.....	13,031	3403	9680	3364	191
Total last year.....	13,586	2716	10,986	2825	191
Increase.....		687		539	
Decrease.....	555		1306		

Ques. 14. What amounts are necessary for the superannuated preachers, and the widows and orphans of preachers, and to make up the deficiencies of those who have not obtained their regular allowance on the circuits?

\$7577 00.

Ques. 15. What has been collected on the foregoing accounts, and how has it been applied?

Collected, \$1083 85

Appropriated to deficient preachers, the superannuated, widows, and orphans.

Ques. 16. What has been contributed for the support of Missions, what for the publication of Tracts and Sunday-school books, and what to aid the American Bible Society and its auxiliaries?

For Missions, \$11,550 00

Sunday-schools, 905 00

Tracts, 3099 90

Bibles, 186 80

Ques. 17. Where are the preachers stationed this year?

NATCHEZ DISTRICT.

Lewell Campbell, P. E.

Natchez, *Wm. H. Watkins.*

Woodville, *John J. Wheat.*

Laurel Hill Mission, *Joseph D. Newsom.*

Washington and Colored Mission, *William B. Johnston.*

Kingston, *John G. Hollins.*

{ Buffalo, *Samuel Dawson.*

{ Homochitto Mission, *Dabney F. Lewis.*

Wilkinson, *John A. B. Jones.*

Pinkneyville and Barrows, *Thos. W. Brown.*
Percy's Creek, *Ephraim A. Flowers.*
Clinton, *John Lusk.*

{ East Feliciana, *George D. Wade.*
East Feliciana Colored Mission, *John B. Higginbotham.*

Jackson, *Wm. H. Scales.*

Bayou Sara and Colored Mission, *Peter E. Green.*

Centenary College: *John C. Miller*, President; *Wm. H. Scales*, Professor; *Almarin G. Miller*, Principal of Preparatory Department.

FAYETTE DISTRICT.

John G. Jones, P. E.

Fayette Circuit, *George F. Thompson*, *Wallace W. Graves.*

South Jefferson Colored Mission, *Charles T. French.*

North Jefferson Colored Mission, *James H. Merrill.*

Scotland, *John B. Bowen.*

{ Bayou Pierre, *Lorenzo Ercanbrack*, *Richard T. Hennington.*

{ Bayou Pierre Colored Mission, *William H. Mullins.*

Georgetown, *Archibald P. Nicholson.*

Pearl River, *Henry M. Youngblood*, *Kenneth A. Jones.*

Amite, *Christopher R. Godfrey.*

St. Helena, *Allen Castle*, *Barnabas Pipkin*,
Sup'y.

VICKSBURG DISTRICT.

Benjamin M. Drake, P. E.

Vicksburg, *Charles K. Marshall.*

Vicksburg Colored Mission, *Hervey Copeland.*

Warren and Colored Mission, *George H. Clinton*, (one to be supplied.)

{ Clinton, *John R. Lambuth*, (one to be supplied.)

{ Austin Mission, to be supplied.

Raymond and Spring Ridge, *Wm. M. Curtis.*

Jackson, *James Walton.*

Crystal Springs, *Daniel A. J. Parker.*

Port Gibson and Grand Gulf, and Colored Mission, *Lysander Wiley*, *Benjamin Jones.*

Rocky Springs, *Horace M. Booth*, *Vernon H. Johnson.*

GREENVILLE MISSION DISTRICT.

Wm. B. Hines, P. E.

Greenville, *Wm. G. Millsaps.*

Greenville Colored Mission, *Ebenezer M. Smalley.*

Bolivar, *Wm. Wadsworth.*

Miller's Bend, *Daniel M. Wadsworth.*

Middle Deer Creek, *James H. Shelton.*

Lower Deer Creek, to be supplied.

Talula, *Robert W. Lambuth.*

Sunflower Mission, *Elisha F. Mullins.*

YAZOO DISTRICT.

*Levi Pearce, P. E.*Yazoo City, *Wm. P. Barton.*Yazoo Mission, *Albert Becton.*{ Yazoo Circuit, *David M. Wiggins.*{ Big Black Mission, *Francis M. Featherston.*

{ Valley Mission, to be supplied.

Holmes, *Henry J. Harris.*Richland and Lexington, *Thomas M. Ward.*Ebenezer, *Thomas C. Raynor.*Black Hawk, *David W. Dillehay.*Middleton, *James G. Carlisle.*{ Carrollton, *Joseph Nicholson.*

{ Carrol Mission, to be supplied.

Sidon Mission, *James English.*Honey Island Mission, *Humphrey Williamson.*Greenwood Mission, *Wiley P. Dickinson.*{ North Warren, *John I. E. Byrd.*{ North Warren Mission, *John W. Jones.*

SHARON DISTRICT.

*Henderson A. Montgomery, P. E.*Sharon and Thornton Chapel, *Geo. C. Light.*Canton, *James L. Forsythe.*Madison Mission, *Andrew Day.*Vernon, Livingston, and Colored Mission,
*Jacob Matthews.*Robinson's Plantations, *James S. Harris.*Carthage, *John G. Deskins.*Attala, *Whitfield Harrington.*

{ Bankston, to be supplied.

{ Greensboro' Mission, *Benjamin Avent.*{ Starkville and Pierce's Chapel, *Henry T. Lewis.*{ Oktibbeha Mission, *Thomas C. Parish, John M. Jones, Sup'y.*{ Camden, *Washington Ford, Jno. W. Adams, Sup'y.*

{ M'Willie's Colored Mission, to be supplied.

Madison College: *Thomas C. Thornton,*
President; *Josiah M. Pugh,* Professor.*Benjamin J. Woodward,* Agent for Sharon
Female College.

PAULDING DISTRICT.

*Ransom J. Jones, P. E.*Paulding, *Wm. Price.*Westville, *Alexander J. Smith.*Tallahola Mission, *Franklin W. Sharborough.*Raleigh, *James M. Turner.*Polkville Mission, *Robert A. Sibley.*Brandon, *James A. Godfrey.*Hillsboro', *James A. Light.*Decatur, *George J. Mortimer.*Philadelphia, *John J. Clarke.*Louisville, *Daniel M' Donald.*

COVINGTON DISTRICT.

*James Y. Griffing, P. E.*Covington, *John T. Dew.*Franklinton, *Henry D. Berry.*Gainesville, *John Boyes.*Columbia, *Samuel T. Swinney.*Sea Shore, *Erastus R. Strickland.*Leaf River Mission, *John H. Massey.*Black Creek Mission, *John D. Willis.*Livingston, *Wm. S. Townsend.*East Baton Rouge, *George T. Vickers.**Richard Abbey,* Agent for Tract Society in
Mississippi Conference, and attached to Quar-
terly Conference at Vicksburg.*Samuel W. Speer,* transferred to Memphis
Conference, and appointed to Marshall Insti-
tute.*Burwell B. Whittington,* transferred to
Wachita Conference, and appointed to Plumb
Bayou Circuit.*James R. Thomas,* transferred to Alabama
Conference.*Richard T. Jones,* left without appointment,
by vote of the Conference.Ques. 18. Where and when shall our
next Conference be held?

At Brandon, Mississippi.

10.—VIRGINIA CONFERENCE.

HELD AT RICHMOND, VA., Nov. 26—Dec. 5, 1856.

BISHOP EARLY, *President*; JAMES D. COULLING, *Secretary.*QUESTION 1. What preachers are ad-
mitted on trial?ANSWER. Ferdinand L. Way, James H.
Crown, William G. Dulin, James O. Moss.

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Ques. 2. Who remain on trial?

James J. Lamkin, Robert B. Beadles,
Thomas H. Boggs, James B. Fitzpatrick,
Benjamin F. Story, Cyrus Doggett, (elder,)
Albert G. Harly. 7.Ques. 3. Who are admitted into full con-
nection?

Joseph E. Potts, William G. Lumpkin, Hezekiah B. Mitchell, Joseph H. Amiss, James C. Hummer, Andrew J. Beckwith, Samuel V. Hoyle, William P. Twyman, Joseph H. Riddick, C. B. Riddick, John W. Wonnycott. 11.

Ques. 4. Who are the deacons?

Paul Whitehead, Charles H. Hall, John P. Woodward, W. E. Judkins, Thomas L. Williams, John B. Laurens, John K. Littleton, Charles C. Pearson, John F. Poulton, David Wallace, John H. Ray, Alex. G. Brown, James F. Fennell, William H. Christian. 14.

Ques. 5. Who have been elected and ordained elders this year?

Joseph A. Proctor, Peter A. Peterson, Edward M. Peterson, John P. Brock, Alexander M. Hall, James S. Kennedy, Lloyd Moore, Robert S. Nash, John G. Rowe. 9.

Ques. 6. Who have located this year?

George T. Williams, John W. Wonnycott. 2.

Ques. 7. Who are the supernumeraries?

J. Carson, S. T. Moorman, Robert Scott, J. C. Garlick, H. Billups, L. Skidmore, M. M. Dance, John Kerr, G. W. Charlton, B. Devany, E. Chambers, T. H. Jones, Archibald Clarke, N. Thomas, Charles A. Davis, Penfield Doll. 16.

Ques. 8. Who are the superannuated or worn-out preachers?

Wm. H. Starr, James E. Joyner, Hartwell H. Gary, George W. Harper, R. A. Gregory, John W. Williams. 6.

Ques. 9. Who have been expelled from the Connection this year?

None.

Ques. 10. Who have withdrawn from the Connection this year?

None.

Ques. 11. Are all the preachers blameless in life and conversation?

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

Ques. 12. Who have died this year?

Francis S. Mitchell. 1.

eighteenth year he embraced religion, and joined the Methodist Episcopal Church. Feeling that a dispensation of the gospel was committed to him, he connected himself with the Virginia Conference in 1839, and during that and the following year labored on Hanover Circuit. In 1841 and 1842, he travelled New Kent Circuit; in 1843 and 1844, Louisa; in 1845, Albemarle; in 1846, Caroline; in 1847, Smithfield; in 1848 and 1849, Matthews; in 1850, Cumberland; 1851 and 1852, he was stationed at the Bute Street African Church, in the city of Norfolk; in 1853, at Wesley Chapel, in the city of Richmond; and in 1854, he was placed in charge of the colored people of Trinity Congregation, Richmond. During this year he undertook to build a church for the accommodation of his charge, and in this enterprise labored most industriously, traversing the city from one extremity to the other, to raise money. In this he was eminently successful; and put under contract the Third Street African Church, which has been completed, and now stands as a monument of the zeal and industry of our departed brother. But the labor was too great for his enfeebled constitution, and was the occasion (as his physicians think) of confirming and hastening the disease which terminated his valuable life. In the summer of 1855, he visited the Virginia Springs, with the hope of improving his health, but without success. He was resigned and patient in his protracted and severe afflictions, and though anxious to depart and be with Christ, always expressed his willingness to suffer his Master's will. No dread of death disturbed his mind: of death (he said to his anxious companion) he had no more fear than of being removed from one bed to another. In conversation with the Rev. Philip Courtney an hour or two before his death, he quoted various passages of Scripture as affording him great support and comfort under his sufferings; and, among others, those encouraging words of St. Paul, "Our light affliction, which is but for a moment, worketh for us a far more exceeding and eternal weight of glory." Bro. Mitchell was remarkable for the meekness of his disposition, the gentleness of his manners, his ardent love for God and for souls, and his diligent labors to promote the glory of God in the salvation of men. Those acquainted with him will bear a willing testimony to the zeal and diligence with which he prosecuted his great work. The seals of his ministry are numerous in the various fields of labor which he cultivated for the space of fifteen years, and many no doubt will rejoice in heaven that they ever heard the gospel from his lips, and saw the fruits of it in his exemplary life.

Ques. 13. What numbers are in our Church in the bounds of the Conference?

FRANCIS S. MITCHELL was born in Gloucester county, Virginia, April 1st, 1802. In his

Richmond District.

	White Mem's.	White Prob's.	Col'd Mem's.	Col'd Prob's.	Loc'l Pr's.
Richmond:					
Trinity	272	24	.....	.....	2
Centenary	312	54	.....	.....	4
Union	279	18	3	.....	3
Clay Street.....	152	16	.....	.....	.....
Oregon and Sydney...	81	9	.....	.....	1
Wesley Chapel and Rocketts Mission.....	33	2	.....	.....	.....
African Mission.....	.....	.....	280	120	.....
Charles City.....	210	27	.....	.....	.....
James City & New Kent.	280	70	3	.....	1
Williamsburg	104	8	.....	.....	.....
King William.....	250	50	6	3	1
Hanover.....	552	22	.....	.....	3
Caroline.....	351	7	.....	.....	3
	2876	307	292	123	18

Fredericksburg District.

Fredericksburg.....	80	60	.....	.....	1
Spottsylvania	152	2	.....	.....	1
King and Queen	425	89	.....	.....	5
Middlesex.....	221	42	.....	.....	1
Lancaster.....	408	46	82	.....	1
Westmoreland.....	335	73	17	.....	4
King George.....	197	13	3	.....	1
Fauquier.....	230	96	8	1	3
Stafford.....	208	47	2	2	3
Stafford Mission.....	35	10	.....	.....	.....
Culpepper.....	267	16	7	.....	1
Rappahannock.....	174	.....	9	.....	1
	2732	494	128	3	22

Washington District.

Washington.....	88	2	.....	.....	1
Alexandria.....	292	103	.....	.....	2
Rock Creek and Howard.	105	19	10	.....	1
Fairfax.....	106	12	2	1	1
Fairfax Mission	44	30	19	.....	.....
Potomac.....	269	9	13	.....	1
Leesburg.....	130	2	2	.....	1
London.....	159	35	7	4	.....
Warrenton.....	252	14	2	.....	2
Springfield.....	84	5	.....	14	.....
South Branch.....	103	10	.....	.....	1
Clarke.....	48	18	.....	.....	.....
	1680	259	55	19	10

Charlottesville District.

Charlottesville.....	106	6	13	3	.....
Albemarle	529	49	63	.....	1
Nelson	314	35	35	.....	3
Nelson Mission	53	70	.....	3	.....
Scottsville	340	33	22	.....	2
Fluvanna.....	270	56	38	7	3
Goochland.....	231	9	3	.....	1
Orange	132	31	10	2	3
Louisa.....	484	54	23	4	6
Madison	320	13	5	.....	1
Elk Run.....	130	10	4	.....	1
Blue Ridge Mission.....	317	36	.....	1	2
Harrisonburg and Wood- stock	95	5	.....	.....	1
	3321	407	216	20	24

Lynchburg District.

Lynchburg, Third Street.	297	9	138	10	.....
“ Fourth “	280	2	120	5	1
Amherst.....	490	88	6	.....	2
Buffalo.....	213	43	.....	.....	3
Lexington Station.....	78	8	3	.....	.....
Lexington Circuit.....	119	47	1	.....	1

	White Mem's.	White Prob's.	Col'd Mem's.	Col'd Prob's.	Loc'l Pr's.
Bedford	660	65	49	30	2
Staunton.....	495	51	36	.....	2
Campbell	576	100	58	20	3
Appomattox.....	276	26	32	1	.....
Buckingham.....	373	51	4	8	4
Cumberland.....	250	20	11	1	1
	4107	510	458	75	19

Randolph Macon District.

R. M. & Boydton Station.	66	8	6	8
R. M. Circuit.....	257	10	45	.....	1
Mecklenburg	688	112	12	2	2
Brunswick	550	60	20	14	6
Lunenburg.....	344	98	7	.....	1
Greensville.....	230	39	30	.....	1
Nottoway.....	288	52	35	5	1
Prince Edward.....	340	45	45	.....	3
Farmville	99	.....	47	.....	.....
Charlotte.....	350	90	50	8	2
Northampton.....	624	48	67	20	5
	3836	562	364	49	30

Petersburg District.

Petersburg:					
Washington Street	605	12	.....	.....	1
High Street	227	31	.....	.....	1
Wesley Chapel	70	11	.....	.....	.....
Union Street.....	.....	.....	404	42	.....
Chesterfield.....	380	41	15	.....	5
Factories Mission	255	12	.....	.....	2
Manchester	178	.....	.....	.....	.....
Powhatan.....	200	10	4	.....	1
Amelia.....	300	60	21	1	5
Dinwiddie.....	500	13	.....	.....	2
Sussex	460	17	8	1	4
Sussex Colored Mission...	.....	.....	.....	80	.....
Surry.....	211	.....	22	.....	1
Prince George.....	157	.....	4	.....	.....
	3543	207	478	124	22

Murfreesboro' District.

Murfreesboro'.....	466	28	37	14	2
Southampton.....	504	32	78	6	4
Gates	1000	30	300	6	7
Edenton	58	2	240	10	.....
Hertford	288	8	113	11	1
Elizabeth City	128	2	.....	.....	1
Elizabeth City Mission...	.....	.....	180	.....	.....
Suffolk.....	380	40	290	35	1
Smithfield	335	41	193	20	3
Pasquotank	512	26	212	.....	4
Camden and Newland...	200	50	180	10	1
Indian Ridge	475	106	.....	.....	3
Currituck	165	32	20	.....	.....
Roanoke & Chowan Miss.	.....	.....	63	6	.....
	4511	397	1906	118	27

Norfolk District.

Norfolk:					
Cumberland Street	428	32	.....	.....	3
Granby Street	130	2	.....	.....	.....
Bute Street Mission .....	.....	.....	720	10	.....
Portsmouth.....	668	14	.....	.....	3
Portsm'th African Miss..	.....	.....	554	17	.....
Gosport.....	182	8	30	.....	1
Princess Anne	900	33	346	.....	6
Eastville	361	45	336	.....	5
Hampton	159	18	15	.....	2
York.....	304	8	22	.....	2
Gloucester	693	95	1	.....	7
Matthews	550	113	.....	4	4
Berlin.....	24	16	.....	.....	.....
	4369	384	2024	31	33

Recapitulation.

	White Mem's.	White Prob's.	Col'd Mem's.	Col'd Prob's.	Loc'l Pr's.
Richmond District	2876	307	292	123	18
Fredericksburg "	2732	494	128	3	22
Washington "	1680	259	55	19	10
Charlottesville "	3321	407	216	20	24
Lynchburg "	4107	510	458	75	19
Randolph Macon "	3836	562	364	49	30
Petersburg "	3543	207	478	124	22
Murfreesboro' "	4511	397	1906	118	27
Norfolk "	4369	384	2024	31	33
Total this year	30,975	3527	5921	562	205
Total last year	30,512	2949	6587		186
Increase	463	578		562	19
Decrease			666		

[The colored probationers were not distinguished in the Minutes last year.]

Ques. 14. What amounts are necessary for the superannuated preachers, and the widows and orphans of preachers, and to make up the deficiencies of those who have not obtained their regular allowance on the circuits?

\$8315 69.

Ques. 15. What has been collected on the foregoing accounts, and how has it been applied?

Collected from circuits and stations,	\$6396 43
Received from vested funds,	223 44
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	\$6619 87

Applied as follows:

To superannuated preachers and their widows, and to deficient preachers,	\$6590 72
Expenses of lay stewards,	29 15
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	\$6619 87

Ques. 16. What has been contributed for the support of Missions, what for the publication of Tracts and Sunday-school books, and what to aid the American Bible Society and its auxiliaries?

For Missions,	\$47,234 32
Tracts,	3443 77
Sabbath-schools,	2041 14
Bible Society,	1115 33

Ques. 17. Where are the preachers stationed this year?

RICHMOND DISTRICT.

Thomas C. Hayes, P. E.

Richmond:

- { Trinity, *E. P. Wilson, S. T. Moorman,*
Sup'y.
- { Wesley Chapel and Rocketts, *John K.*
Littleton.
- { Centenary, *Nelson Head.*
- { Oregon, *Andrew J. Beckwith.*

{ Clay Street, *George H. Ray.*
African Mission, *G. W. Nolley.*

Union, *John D. Blackwell, T. H. Jones,*
Sup'y.

Charles City, *W. W. Berry.*

James City and New Kent, *Benjamin C.*
Spiller.

Williamsburg, *Joseph E. Potts.*

Hampton, *C. C. Pearson.*

York, *A. M. Hall.*

Gloucester, *Jacob Shough.*

Matthews, *Wm. Reed.*

King William, *John P. Woodward, J. C. Gar-*
lic, Sup'y.

Eastville, *Cyrus Doggett, A. G. Harly.*

Leroy M. Lee, Editor of Richmond Chris-
tian Advocate.

FREDERICKSBURG DISTRICT.

Wm. B. Rowzie, P. E.

Fredericksburg, *Joseph A. Proctor.*

Spottsylvania, *Robert B. Beadles.*

King and Queen, *John Bailey,*

Middlesex, *James C. Hummer.*

Lancaster, *Benjamin R. Duval, P. Doll, Sup'y.*

Westmoreland, *John G. Rowe, (one to be sup-*
plied.)

King George, *Thomas S. D. Covington.*

Stafford, *Wm. G. Lumpkin.*

Fauquier, *H. P. Nelms.*

Rappahannock, *Thomas H. Boggs.*

Caroline, *Gilson Mauzey, Robert Scott, Sup'y.*

Culpepper, *John B. Laurens, Joseph Carson,*
Sup'y.

WASHINGTON DISTRICT.

Wm. W. Bennett, P. E.

Washington City, *D. S. Doggett, Charles A.*
Davis, Sup'y.

Alexandria, *James A. Duncan.*

{ Rock Creek, *James J. Lamkin.*

{ Howard, to be supplied.

{ Fairfax, *Peter F. August.*

{ Fairfax Mission, to be supplied.

Potomac, *Wm. P. Twyman.*

Leesburg, *John L. Clark.*

Loudon, *Thomas H. Haynes, Jas. H. Crown.*

Warrenton, *Wm. E. Judkins, (one to be sup-*
plied.)

Springfield, *Esmond A. Gibbs.*

Patterson Creek, *Samuel V. Hoyle.*

Manasse, *Robert S. Nash.*

Prince William, *David Wallace.*

CHARLOTTESVILLE DISTRICT.

Jacob Manning, P. E.

Charlottesville, *John C. Granberry.*

Albemarle, *J. M' Mullen, F. L. Way.*

{ Nelson, *George F. Doggett.*

{ Nelson Mission, *James F. Finnell.*

Scottsville, *Henry S. Atmore.*

Fluvanna, *Thos. Diggs, E. Chambers, Sup'y.*

Charlottesville District, (continued.)

Goochland, *John P. Brock.*
 Hanover, *Thomas A. Pierce.*
 Louisa, *William M. Ward, G. W. S. Harper,*
 Sup'y.
 Orange, *James F. Brannin.*
 Madison, *D. J. C. Slaughter.*
 Blue Ridge Mission, *A. J. Coffman.*
 Elk Run, *T. Y. Cash.*
 Harrisonburg and Woodstock, *Alexander G. Brown.*

LYNCHBURG DISTRICT.

Leonidas Rosser, P. E. .

Lynchburg:

Third Street, *Charles H. Hall.*
 Fourth Street, *George W. Carter.*
 Amherst, *John B. Dey.*
 Buffalo, *James B. Fitzpatrick.*
 { Lexington, *Paul Whitehead.*
 { Lexington Circuit, to be supplied.
 Fincastle, *Wm. C. Blunt.*
 Bedford, *James R. Waggoner.*
 Staunton, *Wm. F. Bain.*
 Campbell, *Robt. F. Nixon, Nathanael Thomas,*
 Sup'y.
 Appomattox, *John D. Southall, Robert Gregory,*
 Sup'y.
 Buckingham, *Jos. Spriggs, A. Clarke,*
 Sup'y.
 Cumberland, *Thomas L. Hoyle.*

RANDOLPH MACON DISTRICT.

Wm. H. Wheelwright, P. E.

Randolph Macon College, *Thomas A. Ware.*
 Randolph Macon Circuit, *Joseph H. Riddick.*
 Mecklenburg, *Milton L. Bishop.*
 Greensville, *Joseph J. Edwards.*
 Northampton, *Wm. Grant.*
 Southampton, *John W. Howard.*
 Brunswick, *Wm. G. Cross.*
 Lunenburg, *James L. Spencer.*
 { Nottoway, *James S. Kennedy.*
 { Nottoway Colored Mission, to be supplied.
 Farmville, *Joseph S. R. Clarke.*
 Prince Edward, *Alfred Wiles, Wm. G. Dulin,*
M. M. Dance, Sup'y.
 Charlotte, *Henry D. Wood, Lewis Skidmore,*
 Sup'y.
W. A. Smith, President of Randolph Macon College.
H. B. Cowles, Agent for Randolph Macon College.

PETERSBURG DISTRICT.

Robert Michaels, P. E.

Petersburg:

{ Washington Street, *John E. Edwards, G. W. Charlton,* Sup'y.
 { Wesley Chapel, *John F. Poulton.*
 { Union, *G. W. Deems.*

{ High Street, *James D. Coulling, J. Kerr,*
 Sup'y.
 { Factories Mission, *G. N. Winfree.*
 Chesterfield, *B. F. Woodward, James O. Moss.*
 Manchester, *Oscar Littleton.*
 Powhatan, *Thomas J. Bayton.*
 Amelia, *Peter A. Peterson.*
 Dinwiddie, *Isaac M. Arnold.*
 { Sussex, *Joseph Lear.*
 { Sussex Colored Mission, *William A. Robinson.*
 Prince George, *Hezekiah B. Mitchell, A. Stewart,* Sup'y.
 Surry, *Jesse K. Powers.*
 Smithfield, *John M. Saunders.*
Davis P. Wills, Tract Agent.

NORFOLK AND MURFREESBORO'
DISTRICT.

James A. Riddick, P. E.

Norfolk:

{ Cumberland Street, *Frank Stanley, H. Billups,* Sup'y.
 { Bute Street Col. Mission, *Wm. H. Barnes.*
 Granby Street, *George W. Langhorne.*

Portsmouth:

{ Dinwiddie Street, *Isam R. Finley.*
 { African Mission, to be supplied.
 { Wesley Chapel, *J. H. Amiss.*
 { Gosport, *John S. Briggs.*

Princess Anne, *James D. Lumsden.*

Suffolk, *E. M. Peterson.*

Norfolk Circuit, *Lloyd Moore.*

Murfreesboro', *Lemuel S. Reed.*

Gates, *John W. White.*

{ Hartford, *Wm. G. Williams.*

{ Edenton, *Cornelius B. Riddick.*

Pasquotank, *Wm. J. Norfleet.*

Elizabeth City, *Wm. L. Dalby.*

Elizabeth City Colored Mission, to be supplied.

Camden, *T. L. Williams.*

Indian Ridge, *B. F. Story.*

Currituck Mission, *G. W. Trimyer.*

Joseph H. Davis, President of Wesleyan Female College.

Blasingame H. Johnson, Agent for Wesleyan Female College.

Francis J. Boggs and *Charles H. Boggs,* transferred to the Western Virginia Conference.

Ques. 18. Where and when shall our next Conference be held?

At Elizabeth City, N. C.

11.—WESTERN VIRGINIA CONFERENCE.

HELD AT GUYANDOTTE, VA., September 4-9, 1856.

BISHOP EARLY, *President*; EZRA C. THORNTON, *Secretary*.

QUESTION 1. What preachers are admitted on trial?

ANSWER. William S. May, William H. Fonerden. 2.

Jehu Hank, elder, readmitted.

Ques. 2. Who remain on trial?

James N. Lilley, Hiram Moore, Robert N. Crook, Charles F. Crook. 4.

Ques. 3. Who are admitted into full connection?

Elias Kendall, Richard E. Graves, Granville S. M'Cutchen, William Downtain. 4.

Ques. 4. Who are the deacons?

Samuel T. Mallory, John Burford, Jos. A. West, and those admitted and ordained, as above. 7.

Ques. 5. Who have been elected and ordained elders this year?

John T. Johnson. 1.

Ques. 6. Who have located this year?

Samuel Clark, John Burford. 2.

Ques. 7. Who are the supernumeraries?

Warwick Briscoe, George L. Warner. 2.

Ques. 8. Who are the superannuated or worn-out preachers?

Samuel P. Cummings, Hugh Rankin. 2.

Question 9. Who have been expelled from the Connection this year?

William H. Harrison. 1.

Ques. 10. Who have withdrawn from the Connection this year?

None.

Ques. 11. Are all the preachers blameless in life and conversation?

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

Ques. 12. Who have died this year?

None.

Ques. 13. What numbers are in our Church in the bounds of the Conference?

Clarksburg District.

	White Mem's.	Col'd Mem's.	Loc'l Fr's.
Clarksburg and Monongahela.....	80	5	.....
Milford and Weston.....	90	.....	.....
Buchanan.....	106	6	.....
Lewis Circuit.....	188	.....	1
Nicholas.....	109	.....	.....
Glennville.....	165	2	.....
Braxton.....	200	.....	3
	938	13	4

Parkersburg District.

Parkersburg.....	161	9	.....
Little Kanawha.....	437	1	1
Williamsport.....	178	1	1
Ravenswood.....	357	2	3
Ripley.....	197	3	2
Point Pleasant.....	210	20	2
Spring Creek.....	242	.....	1
Mason Mission.....	119	.....	1
	1901	36	11

Greenbrier District.

Charleston and Maulden.....	93	34	.....
Charleston Circuit.....	320	.....	1
Mouth of Sandy.....	132	.....	2
Summersville.....	376	3	1
Fayette.....	112	2	2
Greenbrier.....	287	11	3
Raleigh.....	170	.....	2
Logan.....	315	11	2
Kanawha Circuit.....	194	6	1
Falls of Guyandotte.....	200	2	3
	2199	69	17

Guyandotte District.

Guyandotte and Marshall Circuit.....	83	5	2
Barboursville.....	213	8	1
Wayne.....	461	15	3
Louisa.....	92	13	.....
Big Sandy.....	372	5	.....
Catlettsburg and Ashland.....	63	16	3
Greenupsburg.....	388	76	7
North Liberty.....	278	8	1
Little Sandy.....	547	6	5
Paintsville.....	536	8	7
Tug Fork.....	121	3	1
Peach Orchard.....	106	2	.....
	3260	165	30

Recapitulation.

Clarksburg District.....	938	13	4
Parkersburg ".....	1901	36	11
Greenbrier ".....	2199	69	17
Guyandotte ".....	3260	165	30
Total this year.....	8298	283	62
Total last year.....	7947	294	66
Increase.....	351		
Decrease.....		11	4

Ques. 14. What amounts are necessary for the superannuated preachers, and the widows and orphans of preachers, and to make up the deficiencies of those who have not obtained their regular allowance on the circuits?

\$5858 33.

Ques. 15. What has been collected on the foregoing accounts, and how has it been applied?

Collected,	\$70 48
Paid to deficient preachers,	\$67 48
Paid for book,	3 00
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	\$70 48

Ques. 16. What has been contributed for the support of Missions, what for the publication of Tracts and Sunday-school books, and what to aid the American Bible Society and its auxiliaries?

For Missions,	\$960 23
Tracts,	346 67
Sunday-school books,	275 00

Ques. 17. Where are the preachers stationed this year?

CLARKSBURG DISTRICT.

Wm. Bickers, P. E.

Clarksburg and Monongahela, *S. K. Vaught, B. F. Sedwick.*

Milford and Weston, *Paul H. Hoffman.*

Buchanan, *Samuel Mullen.*

Lewis, *Joseph A. West.*

Glennville, *Stephen A. Rathburn.*

Braxton, *Granville S. M'Cutchen.*

Nicholas, *Elias Kendall.*

Mouth of Sandy, *Samuel Black.*

PARKERSBURG DISTRICT.

Ezra C. Thornton, P. E.

Parkersburg, *Samuel Kelley.*

Little Kanawha, *Lewis G. Wood.*

Williamsport, *Wayne Kenneday.*

Ravenwood, *Walter Shearer.*

Ripley, *Abram W. Thompson.*

Spring Creek, *John A. Goff.*

Point Pleasant, *John F. Medley, Hazael S. Williams.*

Mason Mission, to be supplied.

Charleston Circuit, *James N. Lilley, Warren Briscoe, Sup'y.*

GREENBRIER DISTRICT.

George B. Poage, P. E.

Charleston and Maulden, *Wm. B. M'Farland.*

Summerville, *Wm. Downtain.*

Fayette, *George L. Warner, Sup'y.*

Greenbrier, *Jehu Hank.*

Raleigh Circuit, *Charles F. Crooks.*

Wyoming Mission, to be supplied.

Logan, *Richard E. Graves.*

Kanawha, *Shadrach Hargiss.*

Falls of Guyandotte, *Wm. S. May.*

Monroe, to be supplied.

Newcastle and Newport, *Jacob Brilhart.*

Covington, to be supplied.

GUYANDOTTE DISTRICT.

Christian M. Sullivan, P. E.

Guyandotte and Marshall Academy, *S. T. Mallory.*

Barboursville, *Wm. H. Fonerden.*

Wayne, *Burwell Spurlock.*

Louisa, *James W. Amiss.*

Big Sandy, *John T. Johnson.*

Catlettsburg and Ashland, *Wm. M' Cormas.*

Greenupsburg, *Staunton Field.*

Greenup Circuit, *Ransom Lancaster.*

North Liberty, *Jeremiah Farmer.*

Grayson, *R. A. Claughton.*

Paintsville and Peach Orchard, *Joseph H. Wright, Robert Crooks.*

Tug Fork, *Hiram Moore.*

Ques. 18. Where and when shall our next Conference be held?

At Charleston, Va., September 2, 1857.

12.—NORTH CAROLINA CONFERENCE.

HELD AT GREENSBORO', N. C., November 12–20, 1856.

BISHOP EARLY, *President*; IRA T. WYCHE, *Secretary.*

QUESTION 1. What preachers are admitted on trial?

ANSWER. Adolphus W. Mangum, Geo. E. Wyche, William C. Gannon, George W. Hepenstall, James F. Smoot, Robert G.

Barrett, Samuel Robertson, Alexander D. Betts, John S. Long, James B. Bailey. 10.

Ques. 2. Who remain on trial?

Marquis L. Wood, Jos. Wheeler, Thos. L. Triplett, James W. Wheeler, Moses J.

Hunt, James B. Bobbitt, Medicus H. Wright, Oscar J. Brent, Marcus C. Thomas, John L. Newby, Jesse A. Cunningham, Jos. C. Thomas, Washington D. Meacham. 13.

Ques. 3. Who are admitted into full connection?

Simeon D. Peeler, John S. Davis, Isaac F. Keerans, John W. Pearson, Benjamin F. Long, N. A. H. Goddin, John N. Andrews, Theo. W. Moore, Caswell W. King. 9.

Ques. 4. Who are the deacons?

William B. Richardson, James E. Mann, Isaac W. Avent, Isham H. Hill, Williamson Harris, Bedford B. Shelton, D. C. Johnson, and those admitted and ordained, as above. 16.

Ques. 5. Who have been elected and ordained elders this year?

Clarendon M. Pepper, Shockley D. Adams, William F. Clegg, Charles M. Anderson. 4.

Ques. 6. Who have located this year?

John W. Tinnin, James H. Brent, Alexander Gattis, Adam H. Johnson, Jeremiah Johnson. 5.

Ques. 7. Who are the supernumeraries?

Joshua Bethel, William W. Albea, John W. Floyd, George W. Farrabee. 4.

Ques. 8. Who are the superannuated or worn-out preachers?

James Patterson, William Anderson, T. Garrard, J. H. Watson, J. R. M'Intosh, William Holmes, B. T. Blake, T. Jones, James Purvis, L. W. Martin, Thomas C. Moses. 11.

Ques. 9. Who have been expelled from the Connection this year?

None.

Ques. 10. Who have withdrawn from the Connection this year?

None.

Ques. 11. Are all the preachers blameless in life and conversation?

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

Ques. 12. Who have died this year?

Joseph Goodman, William J. Parks, William W. Nesbitt, James M. Westbrooks, Malcom L. Douglas. 5.

JOSEPH GOODMAN, the subject of this memoir, was born in Fluvanna county, Virginia, in the year 1801. The facts connected with his conversion and early piety are unknown to us. Being Divinely impressed that it was

his duty to preach the gospel of Christ, he joined the Virginia Conference in the year 1828. He labored effectually upon various charges of the Virginia and North Carolina Conferences, ranging from the mountains to the seaboard. As a Christian, Brother Goodman was humble, devoted, and full of the Holy Ghost. The spirit of his piety being beautiful in consistency, powerful in winning souls to Christ, and steady in its shining light, stands out as a high example of practical Christianity. As a minister of Christ, he occupied a useful and influential position among his brethren. Simple in manner, clear in exposition, ardent in appeals, powerful and effective in the application of Divine truth, he accomplished much good as a minister of the gospel. Brother Goodman closed his ministerial labors and earthly career on the colored mission in Halifax county, Virginia. While he was acceptable and useful in other fields of ministerial labor, in this he was more eminently successful. He closed his labors and sufferings at his residence in Halifax, Virginia, on the 17th of January, 1856. His disease was of such a character as to destroy his consciousness; and, therefore, we have no dying testimony from Brother Goodman that Jesus was precious. But we are satisfied, from his deep and uniform piety while living, that he is now resting in heaven.

WILLIAM J. PARKS, the subject of this memoir, was born in Surry county, North Carolina, in the year 1818. We have no information as to his conversion and early piety. He joined the North Carolina Conference in the year 1846. He labored as an effective man a few years. As a Christian, Brother Parks was pious and devoted: as a minister of Christ, he was plain and practical. He closed his labors and sufferings in Beaufort, North Carolina, on the 21st of July, 1856. Being asked by Brother Wyche if he felt that Jesus was precious to him, he replied promptly, "O yes! O yes! I feel that I am almost home!" He lingered a short time, and then passed away to his eternal home.

WILLIAM W. NESBITT was a good man and a good preacher. He was naturally amiable in his disposition, and was pure and ardent in his piety. He was kind, affectionate, and respectful in his intercourse both with the laity and clergy; and, consequently, was greatly beloved and esteemed by all who knew him. And though he has been transferred from the Church militant to the Church triumphant, his memory will be fondly cherished by thousands who admired the simplicity of his manners, the benevolence of his heart, and the purity of his life. Brother Nesbitt was born the 4th of October, 1812, in Catawba county, North Carolina. When about twenty years of age, he was brought to the know-

ledge of salvation, through the ministry of the Rev. Henry Speck. Believing that he was called to preach the gospel of Christ, he joined the North Carolina Conference, during its session in Moxville, in 1840, and travelled as an efficient itinerant minister for fourteen years in succession, in various fields of labor, ranging from the mountains to the seaboard. In 1855, he was sent to the Mattamuskeet Circuit, where his health failed. At the ensuing session of the Conference, he received a supernumerary relation, and he returned home to his friends to improve, if possible, his health. Toward the close of the summer, he visited the springs in Patrick county, Virginia. The waters had an injurious effect, and he grew worse from the time he reached that place. Finding this to be the case, he left the springs, and visited the family of Captain Thomas Perine, where he lingered, and at times suffered extremely, till his death. A short time before he died, feeling conscious that his end was nigh, he said to his friends present, "Tell the preachers farewell. Tell them that I have lived an honest Methodist preacher." He then turned his thoughts to God and heaven. After he spent a few moments in prayer, he burst forth in rapturous praise and thanksgiving. From this time till his death, he gave praise to God in triumphant strains; saying, "Blessed Jesus! O blessed Jesus! O heaven, heaven! glory, glory! Can this be death? Am I dying, or is it a dream? I am almost afraid that I am dreaming. Glory! glory! an eternal weight of glory! too much for poor mortals to bear! I am saved in heaven! glory, glory, glory!" He continued as long as strength lasted to give utterance to expressions of this kind. And when he could no longer speak, he would point with hands and fingers to the home above, directing the attention of all waiting friends to that bright world of joy into which he was entering. He closed his earthly existence on the 2d of November, 1856. It will be gratifying to his numerous friends to know that, though he died from home, he died among those who loved and esteemed him, and where he received every attention that kindness and affection could bestow.

JAMES M. WESTBROOKS, the subject of this memoir, was born March 10, 1827. In his twentieth year he made a public profession of religion, during a protracted meeting held at Muin's Chapel, under the supervision of the Rev. Joseph Goodman. Believing that he was called of God to the work of the ministry, he received an appointment from the Presiding Elder to Wilks Circuit, in the year 1852. At the ensuing session of the Conference, held in Salisbury, he was received on trial, and sent to Stokes Circuit. The next two years he travelled on the Taylorsville and Franklinville Circuits. The last appoint-

ment that he received at the hands of the Bishop was to the Danville Station. Before the middle of the year, he became deeply afflicted, and deemed it best to leave his charge and repair to his brother's, in Guilford county, where he remained till his death. He bore his affliction with becoming patience and resignation; but, indulging no apprehension that his end was nigh, he said but little on the subject of death. A sudden change, however, took place in the character of his disease. He was soon reduced to a state of stupor or insensibility, and, consequently, left the world without giving any expressions in reference to his readiness to meet his Judge, on the 28th of January, 1856. Those, however, who were favored with his acquaintance, who witnessed his fervent though unobtrusive piety and devotion to God, entertain no doubts of his peace and happiness in the world of spirits. Brother Westbrook, though smitten down by the hand of death in the morning of life, and in the midst of his usefulness, has left behind him the savor of a pious and holy life. He was a young man of great promise to the Church. He was a good preacher, a diligent pastor, and a consistent Christian.

MALCOLM L. DOUGLAS, the subject of this memoir, was born of humble parentage in Richmond county, North Carolina. By his industry and energy, he raised himself to a position of honor and trust in his native county. At the time he received the Divine impression that it was his duty to preach the gospel, he was the Clerk of the Superior Court of the county of Richmond, which profitable office he cheerfully resigned for the privilege of calling sinners to repentance, as an itinerant preacher. Brother Douglas joined the North Carolina Conference during its session held in Raleigh, in the year 1853. He labored acceptably and efficiently during the three years of his itinerant life. As a minister, he was plain and sound, zealous and laborious. As a Christian, he was humble and pious, punctual and faithful. He labored the present year on the Columbia Circuit, where he suffered from an attack of chills and fevers, from which he had not recovered when he came to Conference. He continued quite feeble until Friday, November 14, when he was attacked with a severe congestive chill, which deprived him of consciousness up to the time of his death, which occurred on Saturday night, the 15th instant. We have the living testimony that our beloved brother Douglas is now in heaven. On Sunday evening, the 16th, the Conference and Odd-Fellows met at the house of Col. Sloan, where our brother died, and followed in solemn procession the corpse to the Methodist Church, where the Rev. Dr. Deems delivered a very eloquent and appropriate sermon, after which

the procession, joined by a large number of the citizens, proceeded to the Methodist burying-ground, where the funeral services were concluded by the Rev. Robert I. Carson. Then the body of our beloved Douglas was laid in the grave to await a glorious resurrection.

Ques. 13. What numbers are in our Church in the bounds of the Conference?

Raleigh District.

	White Mem's.	White Prob's.	Col'd Mem's.	Col'd Prob's.	Loc'l Pr's.
Raleigh City.....	213	8	.....	.....	1
“ City Mission.....	99	12	.....	.....	.....
“ African Charge.....	.....	.....	301	30	.....
“ Circuit.....	494	53	71	3	4
Henderson & Clarksville	448	55	53	.....	2
Granville.....	741	75	101	31	7
Person.....	526	61	92	12	1
Hillsboro' Station.....	55	5	20	1	2
Hillsboro' Circuit.....	1073	20	399	16	9
Chapel Hill.....	110	22	32	2	.....
Warren.....	174	49	20	.....	.....
Roanoke.....	494	187	64	14	2
	4427	547	1153	109	28

Greensboro' District.

	White Mem's.	White Prob's.	Col'd Mem's.	Col'd Prob's.	Loc'l Pr's.
Greensboro'.....	210	27	96	12	1
Guilford.....	735	37	92	11	8
Uwharrie.....	667	48	32	5	2
Normal College.....	560	.....	21	.....	5
Montgomery.....	1175	130	80	10	7
Deep River.....	355	100	125	.....	5
Franklinville.....	307	.....	14	.....	3
Alamance.....	344	22	41	.....	2
Wentworth.....	612	92	65	23	2
Haw River.....	1073	20	430	.....	9
Rockingham.....	633	9	365	81	8
Haw River Mission.....	16	7	1	5	.....
	6687	492	1362	147	52

Salisbury District.

	White Mem's.	White Prob's.	Col'd Mem's.	Col'd Prob's.	Loc'l Pr's.
Salisbury.....	170	10	120	10	.....
Rowan.....	110	17	7	14	.....
East Rowan.....	113	15	19	3	.....
Mocksville.....	454	26	80	10	3
Iredell.....	609	58	139	8	1
Alexander.....	410	27	48	.....	3
South Iredell.....	183	48	72	15	.....
Wilkes.....	453	19	55	5	3
Jonesville.....	509	70	30	.....	7
Surry.....	366	35	.....	.....	8
Forsythe.....	643	111	9	3	8
Winston.....	126	4	27	.....	.....
Davidson.....	552	43	82	4	1
Blue Ridge Mission.....	186	48	5	4	3
Fisher's River Mission...	26	24	2	.....	1
	4910	555	695	76	38

Danville District.

	White Mem's.	White Prob's.	Col'd Mem's.	Col'd Prob's.	Loc'l Pr's.
Danville.....	65	15	2	3	.....
Yanceyville.....	380	93	40	10	.....
Leasburg.....	339	22	29	10	1
Halifax.....	306	29	92	4	.....
Halifax Colored Mission.	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Staunton.....	223	16	24	1	4
Pittsylvania.....	343	58	24	1	5
Franklin.....	496	36	60	.....	1
ANeghany Mission.....	189	35	21	.....	1
Patrick.....	248	46	13	3	1
Stokes.....	220	71	38	9	1
Henry.....	257	38	49	3	1
	3066	459	392	44	15

Washington District.

	White Mem's.	White Prob's.	Col'd Mem's.	Col'd Prob's.	Loc'l Pr's.
Washington.....	146	36	343	57	1
Tar River.....	501	46	34	17	2
Nash.....	333	25	25	5	2
Plymouth.....	141	26	40	.....	1
Williamston.....	645	.....	184	.....	4
Tarboro'.....	19	13	10	2	.....
Columbia.....	287	50	38	.....	2
Bath Mission.....	109	35	127	14	.....
Mattamuskeet.....	345	.....	.....	.....	2
Neuse.....	317	50	287	51	1
Tar River Mission.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
	2843	281	1088	146	15

Newbern District.

	White Mem's.	White Prob's.	Col'd Mem's.	Col'd Prob's.	Loc'l Pr's.
Newbern.....	270	2	.....	.....	1
“ Andrew Chapel.....	.....	.....	937	45	.....
“ Circuit.....	216	23	133	61	.....
Snow Hill.....	547	54	330	6	5
Wilson.....	139	43	6	5	.....
Goldsboro'.....	517	65	85	8	5
Smithfield.....	167	48	24	3	.....
Duplin.....	274	51	234	46	.....
Onslow.....	252	35	160	18	.....
Trent.....	320	40	274	27	2
Beaufort.....	235	2	.....	.....	2
“ Purvis Chapel.....	.....	.....	168	55	.....
Kinston Mission.....	30	.....	41	10	.....
	3017	363	2392	284	15

Wilmington District.

	White Mem's.	White Prob's.	Col'd Mem's.	Col'd Prob's.	Loc'l Pr's.
Wilmington, Front Str't.	193	.....	1160	13	.....
“ Fifth Str't.....	246	3	103	7	2
Topsail.....	220	110	330	125	2
Sampson.....	404	137	241	23	3
Bladen.....	286	.....	229	.....	6
Bladen Mission.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Fayetteville.....	209	24	230	.....	2
Robeson.....	812	1	966	.....	3
Fayetteville Circuit.....	375	26	212	.....	1
Smithville.....	314	35	145	17	4
Whitesville.....	379	22	567	69	2
Cape Fear Mission.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
	3438	358	4183	254	25

Atlantic District.

	White Mem's.	White Prob's.	Col'd Mem's.	Col'd Prob's.	Loc'l Pr's.
Portsmouth & Ocrakoke.	142	.....	25	.....	.....
Cape Hatteras Mission...	194	49	10	.....	10
Cape Lookout Mission...	83	5	.....	.....	.....
Straits.....	166	.....	34	.....	.....
	585	54	69	.....	10

Recapitulation.

	White Mem's.	White Prob's.	Col'd Mem's.	Col'd Prob's.	Loc'l Pr's.
Raleigh District.....	4427	547	1153	109	28
Greensboro' “.....	6687	492	1362	147	52
Salisbury “.....	4910	555	695	76	38
Danville “.....	3066	459	392	44	15
Washington “.....	2843	281	1088	146	15
Newbern “.....	3017	363	2392	284	15
Wilmington “.....	3438	358	4183	254	25
Atlantic “.....	585	54	69	.....	10
Total this year.....	28,973	3109	11,334	1060	198
Total last year.....	28,564	3380	11,026	1400	202
Increase.....	409	.....	308	.....	.....
Decrease.....	.....	271	.....	340	4

Ques. 14. What amounts are necessary for the superannuated preachers, and the widows and orphans of preachers, and to make up the deficiencies of those who have

not obtained their regular allowance on the circuits?

\$5330.

Ques. 15. What has been collected on the foregoing accounts, and how has it been applied?

Collected from circuits and stations,	\$2700 18
From Centenary Fund,	108 00
From Relief Fund,	126 00
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	\$2934 18

Applied to superannuated preachers, and to meet deficiencies.

Ques. 16. What has been contributed for the support of Missions, what for the publication of Tracts and Sunday-school books, and what to aid the American Bible Society and its auxiliaries?

For Missions,	\$10,501 33
Tracts,	388 66
Sunday-school books,	1047 73
American Bible Society,	504 67

Ques. 17. Where are the preachers stationed this year?

RALEIGH DISTRICT.

Robert O. Burton, P. E.

{ Raleigh, *Joseph H. Wheeler.*
 { Raleigh City Mission and Raleigh Colored Mission, *James Reed, Rufus T. Heflin.*
 Raleigh Circuit, *Gaston Farrar.*
 Henderson and Clarksville, *John Tillett.*
 Granville, *Peter H. Joyner, Moses J. Hunt.*
 Person, *Philmer W. Archer.*
 Hillsboro', *John W. Pearson.*
 Hillsboro' Circuit, *Henry Gray, A. W. Mangum.*
 Warren, *Theophilus W. Moore.*
 Roanoke, *John N. Andrews, Oscar J. Brent.*
 Roanoke Colored Mission, *Pierce W. Yarrell.*
 Chapel Hill, *Hilary T. Hudson.*
 Enoe Mission, to be supplied.

T. S. Campbell, President of Warrenton Female College.

Robert C. Maynard, Tract Agent.

GREENSBORO' DISTRICT.

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

Greensboro', *Numa F. Reed, Joshua Bethel,*
 Sup'y.
 Guilford, *John M. Gunn.*
 Uwharrie, *Nathan A. Hooker.*
 Normal College, *Thomas B. James.*
 Montgomery, *Joseph C. Thomas.*
 Rockingham, *Peter Doub, Thomas L. Triplett.*
 Deep River, *Williamson Harris.*
 { Haw River, *Robert P. Bibb, Samuel Robertson.*
 { Haw River Mission, to be supplied.

Franklinsville, *Marquis L. Wood.*
 Alamance, *Samuel J. Spotts.*
 Wentworth, *Benjamin M. Williams.*

William Closs, Agent for Greensboro' Female College.

SALISBURY DISTRICT.

Wm. Barringer, P. E.

Salisbury, *Robert G. Barrett.*
 { Rowan, *Marcus C. Thomas.*
 { East Rowan, *Isaac W. Keerans.*
 Mocksville, *Thomas B. Reeks.*
 Iredell, *William Carter, William W. Albee,*
 Sup'y.
 Alexander, *Bedford B. Shelton.*
 South Iredell, *Wm. C. Gannon.*
 Wilkes, *Charles M. Anderson.*
 Jonesville, *Zebedee Rush.*
 Surry, *Simeon D. Peeler.*
 { Forsythe, *Solomon H. Hellsabeck.*
 { Winston, *James E. Mann.*
 Davidson, *Shockly D. Adams, George W. Farabee,*
 Sup'y.
 { Blue Ridge Mission, to be supplied.
 { Fisher River Mission, to be supplied.

DANVILLE DISTRICT.

Junius P. Moore, P. E.

Danville, *James L. Fisher.*
 Yanceyville, *James P. Simpson.*
 Leasburg, *John W. Lewis.*
 Halifax, *Alfred Norman.*
 Halifax Colored Mission, *James H. Jefferson.*
 Staunton, *Caswell W. King.*
 Pittsylvania, *Wm. M. Jordan.*
 Franklin, *John D. Halstead.*
 Alleghany Mission, *Washington D. Meacham.*
 Patrick, *Isaac W. Avent.*
 Stokes, *John S. Davis.*
 Germanton, *James B. Bobbitt.*
 Henry, *Charles H. Phillips.*

James Jamieson, President of Danville Female College.

S. S. Bryant, Agent of American Colonization Society.

WASHINGTON DISTRICT.

Robert I. Carson, P. E.

Washington, *Thomas P. Ricard.*
 Tar River, *Leman Shell, James F. Smoot,*
J. W. Floyd, Sup'y.
 Nash, *James J. Hines.*
 Plymouth, *Thomas W. Guthrie.*
 Williamston, *Henry H. Gibbons, George E. Wyche.*
 Tarboro', *Lingurn S. Burkhead.*
 Columbia, *James B. Bailey.*
 Mattamuskeet, *W. B. Richardson.*
 Bath Mission, to be supplied.
 Neuse, *Isham H. Hill.*

NEWBERN DISTRICT.

Ira T. Wyche, P. E.

Newbern:

Centenary, *Abram Weaver.*

Andrew Chapel, *Wm. M. Walsh.*

Newbern Circuit, *Joseph Wheeler.*

Snow Hill, *David W. Doub.*

Wilson, *Benjamin F. Long.*

Goldsboro', *John S. Long.*

Everettsville, *Charles P. Jones.*

Smithfield, *Clarendon M. Pepper.*

Duplin, *D. C. Johnson.*

Onslow, *George W. Hepenstall.*

Trent, *Samuel B. Dozier.*

Beaufort:

Ann Street, *Linville L. Hendren.*

Purvis Chapel Mission, to be supplied.

Kinston, *James W. Wheeler.*

Samuel M. Frost, President of Goldsboro' Female College.

WILMINGTON DISTRICT.

D. B. Nicholson, P. E.

Wilmington:

Front Street, *Charles F. Deems.*

Fifth Street, *Joel W. Tucker.*

{ *Topsail, Wm. F. Clegg.*
New Hanover and Onslow Mission, *Washington S. Chaffin.*

Sampson, *Joseph B. Martin, Alexander D. Betts.*

Bladen, *Daniel Culbreth.*

Fayetteville, *Wm. H. Bobbitt.*

Fayetteville Circuit, *Marble N. Taylor.*

Robeson, *Paul J. Carraway.*

Whitesville, *Norman A. H. Goddin.*

Smithville, *Jesse A. Cunningham.*

Cape Fear Mission, to be supplied.

Wm. J. Langdon, Seaman's Bethel.

Wm. E. Pell, Principal of Fayetteville Female High School.

ATLANTIC DISTRICT.

John Jones, P. E.

Portsmouth and Ocrakoke, *John L. Newby.*

Cape Hatteras Mission, *Arthur F. Harris.*

Cape Lookout, *John Jones.*

Straits, *Medicus H. Wright.*

Ques. 18. Where and when shall our next Conference be held?

At Goldsboro', N. C.

13.—SOUTH CAROLINA CONFERENCE.

HELD AT YORKVILLE, S. C., November 19-27, 1856.

BISHOP ANDREW, *President*; PAUL A. M. WILLIAMS, *Secretary.*

QUESTION 1. What preachers are admitted on trial?

ANSWER. James M. Cline, Wm. James Edward Fripp, Edward Geo. Gage, Joel H. Gleason, Evan A. Lemmond, Francis Marion Morgan, Jonathan L. M'Gregor, Fletcher Smith. 8.

Osgood A. Chreitzberg, Wesley L. Pegues, Edward J. Pennington, readmitted. 3.

Ques. 2. Who remain on trial?

George K. Andrews, William S. Black, Andrew Jackson Evans, Samuel J. Hill, John W. Murray, Randolph R. Pegues, John W. Puett. 7.

Ques. 3. Who are admitted into full connection?

Minton A. Connelly, John W. Crider, William A. Hemingway, Samuel Barksdale Jones, Francis Milton Kennedy, Jesse

S. Nelson, Alexander B. Stephens, Eugene W. Thompson, James H. Ward, Caspar E. Wiggins, Landy Wood. 11.

Ques. 4. Who are the deacons?

R. W. Burgess, J. S. Connor, J. T. DuBose, L. M. Hamer, B. G. Jones, D. A. Ogburn, M. A. Connelly, J. W. Crider, W. A. Hemingway, S. B. Jones, F. M. Kennedy, J. S. Nelson, A. B. Stephens, E. W. Thompson, C. E. Wiggins. 15.

Ques. 5. Who have been elected and ordained elders this year?

G. W. M. Creighton, J. S. Ervin, W. H. Lawton, A. H. Lester, J. T. Munds, E. A. Price, E. J. Pennington, G. W. Stokes, J. H. Ward, L. Wood. 10.

Ques. 6. Who have located this year?

Peyton G. Bowman. 1.

Ques. 7. Who are the supernumeraries?

Joseph Cross, W. C. Kirkland, F. A. Mood, Jas. T. Munds, Whitefoord Smith. 5.

Ques. 8. Who are the superannuated or worn-out preachers?

Henry Bass, James L. Belin, David Derick, Alexius M. Forster, Willis S. Haltom, William J. Jackson, William C. Patterson, Reddick Pierce, Frederick Rush, Hartwell Spain, Joel W. Townsend. 11.

Ques. 9. Who have been expelled from the Connection this year?

None.

Ques. 10. Who have withdrawn from the Connection this year?

None.

Ques. 11. Are all the preachers blameless in life and conversation?

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

Ques. 12. Who have died this year?

Edward D. Boyden. 1.

EDWARD D. BOYDEN was born in the city of Charleston, South Carolina, January 14, 1827; professed religion, and united with the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, in 1852; was licensed to preach, May, 1853, and employed by the Presiding Elder of Cokesbury District as a supply on Laurens Circuit; was admitted on trial in the South Carolina Conference, November 23, 1854, and sent to the Black Swamp Circuit. In 1855, he was sent to the Marion Circuit, and in 1856 to the Conwayboro' Circuit. He entered early and with spirit upon his work, strong and buoyant. He was affectionately received by his people, and bade fair to accomplish a successful year's work; but ere he had finished his first round of appointments, he was violently attacked with hernia, which in two weeks terminated his earthly career. Brother Boyden was a man of no ordinary promise. With a clear perception, correct judgment, poetic imagination, inflexible will, and a zeal that knew no compromise, he stood in the front rank of the young ministers of this Conference; but a mysterious and wise Providence has called him home. During his last illness he manifested great composure, and an unshaken confidence in God; and when almost gone, his voice tremulous in death, he declared, "All is well," and soon after fell asleep in Jesus.

Ques. 13. What numbers are in our Church in the bounds of the Conference?

Charleston District.

	White Mem's.	White Prob's.	Col'd Mem's.	Col'd Prob's.	Loos' Pr's.
Charleston, Cumberland.	177	10	1157	253	.....
" Trinity.....	293	10	1806	450	1
" Bethel.....	164	35	1152	262	2
" St. James.....	154	3	287	47	2
Cooper River Circuit.....	451	94	706	88	8
Cypress ".....	678	54	673	60	8
St. George's ".....	482	84	314	142	2
Walterboro' ".....	772	25	798	25	2
Black Swamp ".....	271	41	298	56	6
Cooper River Mission.....	.....	.....	573	198	.....
St. Andrew's ".....	17	.....	400	.....	.....
St. George's and St. Paul's Mission.....	26	17	105	105	.....
Pon Pon Mission.....	.....	.....	533	42	.....
Ashepoo and Combahee Mission.....	.....	.....	681	223	.....
Prince William's Miss....	5	1	235	44	.....
Savannah River ".....	3	.....	439	29	.....
Okatee ".....	22	.....	179	14	.....
Edisto and Jehosse ".....	.....	.....	502	170	.....
Beaufort ".....	16	.....	152	89	.....
Allendale Circuit.....	166	17	155	35	.....
	3697	391	11,095	2332	51

Georgetown District.

Georgetown.....	185	52	875	209	1
Black River Circuit.....	468	94	794	141	.....
Conwayboro' ".....	825	60	300	15	7
Marion ".....	1141	270	701	90	19
Marion Station.....	137	32	156	57	2
Bennettsville Circuit.....	994	144	521	41	10
Cheraw Station.....	93	5	143	42	.....
Darlington Circuit.....	815	133	208	490	9
Santee Mission.....	.....	.....	500	75	.....
Samptit ".....	.....	.....	163	16	.....
Black River and Pee Dee Mission.....	81	14	1220	240	1
Black Mingo Mission.....	10	2	200	103	.....
Waccamaw ".....	32	.....	480	248	.....
Society Hill ".....	8	.....	140	17	.....
Liberty Chapel ".....	26	1	141	56	.....
Lynchburg Circuit.....	191	35	102	10	3
	5006	842	6644	1850	52

Columbia District.

Columbia, Washingt'n St.	234	20	572	105	1
" Marion ".....	108	8	90	12	1
Sumter Station.....	176	10	469	30	3
Columbia Circuit.....	349	63	92	27	1
Barnwell ".....	433	195	433	78	3
Orangeburg ".....	684	88	872	152	7
Lexington ".....	540	47	520	20	5
Santee ".....	362	41	647	59	4
Sumter ".....	692	22	1239	16	5
Fairfield ".....	284	8	150	40	1
Chesterville ".....	346	29	150	.....	.....
Winnsboro' ".....	175	33	581	65	2
Congaree Mission.....	11	1	336	20	.....
Richland Fork Mission...	19	15	190	87	.....
Upper Santee ".....	122	.....	736	.....	1
	4535	580	7077	711	34

Cokesbury District.

Cokesbury Circuit.....	980	40	1403	90	11
Edgefield ".....	823	70	888	.....	6
Graniteville and Aiken Mission.....	134	41	75	22	1
Newberry Station.....	46	2	334	31	.....
" Circuit.....	900	50	1225	25	2
Union ".....	808	31	325	11	2
Tiger and Enoree Miss....	.....	.....	241	52	.....
Laurens Circuit.....	703	27	444	20	5
Greenville Station.....	77	3	205	46	.....
" Circuit.....	830	70	225	26	7
Anderson ".....	850	95	866	19	12
Mt. Tryon ".....	430	25	67	5	.....
Pickens ".....	392	40	80	10	5
Jocassee Mission.....	142	14	1	1	.....
	7115	508	5829	358	51

Charlotte District.

	White Mem's.	White Prob's.	Col'd Mem's.	Col'd Prob's.	Loc'l Pr's.
Charlotte Station.....	141	22	170	22	1
" Circuit.....	862	328	438	206	.....
Concord ".....	579	121	343	41	.....
Albemarle ".....	651	110	61	8	6
Wadesboro' Station.....	112	33	162	15	1
" Circuit.....	835	126	385	208	6
Chesterfield ".....	458	52	318	50	5
Camden Station.....	106	13	206	27	2
Wateree Mission.....	30	3	807	205	.....
Lancaster Circuit.....	429	58	310	83	1
Catawba Mission.....	7	.....	134	55	.....
Pleasant Grove Circuit...	585	116	178	22	4
	4796	982	3512	942	26

Shelby District.

Spartanburg Station.....	208	18	88	3	1
" Circuit.....	570	104	191	57	3
Yorkville Station.....	72	9	97	10	1
" Circuit.....	265	23	385	53	2
Lincolnton ".....	789	191	537	44	.....
Shelby ".....	416	64	57	9	7
Rutherford ".....	890	40	400	76	.....
Catawba ".....	975	219	148	55	8
Lenoir ".....	689	75	170	26	4
Morganton ".....	602	15	352	34	3
M'Dowell ".....	277	64	161	46	3
South Mountain Circuit.	203	48	3	4	.....
	5956	870	2589	417	32

Recapitulation.

Charleston District.....	3697	391	11,095	2332	31
Georgetown ".....	5008	842	6644	1850	52
Columbia ".....	4535	580	7077	711	34
Cokesbury ".....	7115	508	5829	358	51
Charlotte ".....	4795	982	3512	942	26
Shelby ".....	5956	870	2589	417	32
Total this year.....	31,104	4173	36,746	6610	226
Total last year.....	30,593	4345	37,933	5755	239
Increase.....	511			855	
Decrease.....		172	1187		13

Ques. 14. What amounts are necessary for the superannuated preachers, and the widows and orphans of preachers, and to make up the deficiencies of those who have not obtained their regular allowance on the circuits?

\$7664 16.

Ques. 15. What has been collected—on the foregoing accounts, and how has it been applied?

Collected, \$4205 44

Applied as follows:

E. D. Boyden,	\$60 00
John Watts,	150 00
J. W. Murray,	100 00
C. W. Thompson,	58 20
Daniel May,	75 00
H. E. Ogburn,	100 00
J. M. Bradley,	50 00
Children of J. Dannelly,	50 00
R. Pierce,	150 00

H. Bass,	300 00
H. Spain,	300 00
A. M. Forster,	100 00
D. Derrick,	300 00
Mrs. M'Pherson,	75 00
Mrs. S. W. Capers and children,	200 00
Mrs. Easterling,	100 00
J. L. Belin,	50 00
J. W. Townsend,	50 00
W. S. Haltom,	125 00
W. C. Patterson,	200 00
W. J. Jackson,	50 00
Widow Gamewell,	125 00
" Dunwoody,	100 00
" Asbury,	100 00
" Morgan,	100 00
" Hill,	100 00
" Bunch,	100 00
" Kennedy,	75 00
" Turpin,	75 00
" M'Daniel and child,	150 00
" Smith and child,	250 00
" Tanant,	50 00
Incidental expenses,	4 74

Ques. 16. What has been contributed for the support of Missions, what for the publication of Tracts and Sunday-school books, and what to aid the American Bible Society and its auxiliaries?

For Missions,	\$27,413 17
Tracts,	2308 86
Sabbath-schools,	1582 39

Ques. 17. Where are the preachers stationed this year?

CHARLESTON DISTRICT.

H. A. C. Walker, P. E.

Charleston:

Cumberland, Wm. P. Mouzon.
Trinity, John T. Wightman, J. Cross, Sup'y.
Bethel, Wm. H. Fleming.
Spring Street, Wm. E. Boone.
St. James, Wm. A. Hemingway.

Cooper River Circuit, E. J. Pennington.
Cooper River Mission, George W. Moore.
Black River Mission, to be supplied.
St. Andrew's Mission, to be supplied.
Cypress Circuit, William H. Lawton, William B. Currie.
St. George's and St. Paul's Mission, Abram Nettles.
Pon Pon Mission, Wm. C. Kirkland, Sup'y, one to be supplied.
St. George's Circuit, James T. Kilgo.
Walterboro' Circuit, Wm. W. Jones, R. R. Pegues.
Ashpoo and Combahee Mission, P. A. M. Williams, one to be supplied.

Charleston District, (continued.)

Prince William's Mission, *Wm. Hutto*.
 Black Swamp Circuit, *S. Leard, R. W. Burgess*.
 Allendale Circuit, *S. B. Jones*.
 Savannah River Mission, *John D. W. Crook, D. A. Ogburn*.
 Oakatee Mission, to be supplied.
 Beaufort Mission, *John R. Coburn*.
 Edisto and Jehossee Mission, *Chas. Wilson*.

GEORGETOWN DISTRICT.

Charles Betts, P. E.

Georgetown, *Lewis M. Hamer*.
 Santee Mission, *J. T. Du Bose, C. E. Wiggins*.
 Sampit Mission, *Thomas Mitchell*.
 Black River and Pedee Mission, *J. W. Miller, A. H. Harmon*.
 Black River Circuit, *W. L. Pegues, O. A. Chreitzberg*.
 Black Mingo Mission, *G. W. Stokes*.
 Lynchburg Circuit, *John H. Robinson*.
 Darlington Circuit, *A. M'Corquodale, John W. Murray*.
 Bennettsville Circuit, *H. M. Mood, W. J. E Frippe*.
 Society Hill Mission, *Israel P. Hughes*.
 Marion Station, *Dennis J. Simmons*.
 Marion Circuit, *L. M. Little, J. W. Crider*.
 Liberty Chapel Mission, *John A. Mood*.
 Conwayboro' Circuit, *D. W. Seale, A. J. Evans*.
 Waccamaw Mission, *J. A. Minnick, J. L. M'Gregor*.
 Upper Waccamaw Mission, *George K. Andrews*.
 Sumter Station, *A. G. Stacy, J. T. Munds, Sup'y*.
 Sumter Circuit, *Bond English*.

COLUMBIA DISTRICT.

Wm. Crook, P. E.

Columbia:
 Washington Street, *C. H. Pritchard*.
 Marion Street, *O. A. Darby, F. A. Mood, Sup'y*.
 Congaree Mission, *N. Talley*.
 Columbia Circuit, *D. D. Byars*.
 Richland Fork Mission, *Alexander L. Smith*.
 Barnwell Circuit, *E. A. Price*.
 Blackville Circuit, *E. J. Meynardie*.
 Orangeburg Circuit, *M. L. Banks, F. M. Morgan*.
 Lexington Circuit, *J. M. Bradley, E. A. Lemon*.
 Santee Circuit, *A. P. Avant*.
 Upper Santee Mission, *Wm. Carson*, one to be supplied.
 Fairfield Circuit, *C. M'Leod*.
 Chesterville Circuit, *S. Townsend*.
 Winnsboro' Circuit, *J. S. Connor*.
Wm. Martin, Agent for Columbia Female College.

COKESBURY DISTRICT.

R. J. Boyd, P. E.

Cokesbury Circuit, *A. M. Chreitzberg*.
 Abbeville Circuit, *C. Murchison*.
 Edgefield Circuit, *John A. Porter, S. J. Hill*.
 Graniteville Mission, *Wm. W. Mood*.
 Aiken Station, to be supplied.
 Newberry Station, *Alexander W. Walker*.
 Newberry Circuit, *Thomas Raysor, J. M. Cline*.
 Union Circuit, *S. H. Browne, E. G. Gage*.
 Tiger and Enoree Mission, *John Finger*.
 Laurens Circuit, *M. Puckett, A. P. Martin*.
 Greenville Station, *F. M. Kennedy*.
 Greenville Circuit, *Martin Eaddy, W. A. Clark*.
 Anderson Circuit, *R. P. Franks*, one to be supplied.
 Pickensville Circuit, *A. B. M'Gilvray*.
 Jocassee Mission, *Lewis Scarborough*.
 Pickens Circuit, *Fletcher Smith*.
 Walhalla Mission, *John H. Zimmerman*.
 Cokesbury School, *J. W. Wightman*.

CHARLOTTE DISTRICT.

H. C. Parsons, P. E.

Charlotte Station, *James Stacy*.
 Charlotte Circuit, *G. W. M. Creighton, J. H. Gleason*.
 Concord Circuit, *John Watts*.
 Albemarle Circuit, *Daniel May*.
 Wadesboro' Station, *L. A. Johnson*.
 Wadesboro' Circuit, *M. A. M'Kibben, Jesse S. Nelson*.
 Chesterfield Circuit, *Simpson Jones*.
 Camden Station, *W. A. Gamewell*.
 Wateree Mission, *J. L. Shuford, W. S. Black*.
 Lancaster Circuit, *A. B. Stephens*.
 Catawba Mission, *A. J. Cauthen*.
 Cheraw Station, *John R. Pickett*.
 Monroe Circuit, *G. W. Ivy*, one to be supplied.
T. R. Walsh, President of Carolina Female College.

SHELBY DISTRICT.

J. W. Kelly, P. E.

Spartanburg Station, *H. H. Durant*.
 Spartanburg Circuit, *C. S. Walker*.
 Upper Broad River Mission, *Joseph Parker*.
 Yorkville Station, *A. H. Lester*.
 Yorkville Circuit, *John W. North*.
 Lincolnton Circuit, *Landy Wood, M. A. Connelly*.
 Shelby Circuit, *E. W. Thompson*.
 Rutherford Circuit, *Paul F. Kistler*.
 Catawba Circuit, *John W. Puett*.
 South Mountain Mission, to be supplied.
 Lenoir Circuit, *Abner Ervin*.
 Morganton Circuit, *James S. Ervin*, one to be supplied.

*Shelby District, (continued.)*Columbus Circuit, *B. G. Jones.**Benjamin Jenkins*, Missionary to China.*Wm. M. Wightman*, President of Wofford College.*Whitefoord Smith*, Professor in Wofford College.*Charles Taylor*, Professor in Spartanburg Female College.*A. M. Shipp*, Professor in North Carolina University.*J. J. Fleming*, suspended for one year.*James H. Ward*, transferred to St. Louis Conference.

Ques. 18. Where and when shall our next Conference be held?

At Charlotte, N. C., November, 1857.

14.—GEORGIA CONFERENCE.

HELD AT AMERICUS, GA., December 3-12, 1856.

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

QUESTION 1. What preachers are admitted on trial?

ANSWER. Robert W. Lovett, Edward F. Gates, Jacob C. Neese, Cicero A. Mitchell, Goodman Hughes, William A. Parks, Jas. D. Junkin, Wiley T. Hamilton, W. T. M'Michael, Alexander M. Thigpen, George H. Patillo, John W. Reynolds, Smith Davenport, Robert W. Dixon, Francis X. Foster, William Park, Samuel A. Clarke, Absalom C. Davis, W. H. Moss, J. L. Terry. 20.

Reädmitted, James Harris. 1.

Ques. 2. Who remain on trial?

David W. Calhoun, Habersham J. Adams, W. A. Edwards, William B. Bailey, Absalom H. Ogletree, W. C. Rowland, David E. Starr, John W. M'Gehee, W. F. Cook, Peter M. Ryburn, E. N. Boland, Joseph B. Key, T. H. Stewart, John W. Turner, Benjamin F. Breedlove, James V. M. Morris. 16.

Ques. 3. Who are admitted into full connection?

James M. Armstrong, Alvin J. Dean, Milford Hamby, John W. Burke, George G. N. M'Donald, William J. Scott, Wesley P. Pledger, Thomas T. Christian, William S. Turner, John P. Howell, William W. Tidwell, James T. Ainsworth, James O. A. Clarke, William S. Baker. 14.

Ques. 4. Who are the deacons?

William G. Allen, Weyman H. Potter, James H. Reese, Robert N. Cotter, Tyre B. Harbin, Noah H. Palmer, Albert W. Rowland, William M. D. Bond, Jackson Rush, Thomas Boring, David T. Holmes,

William Brewer, Marshall F. Malsby, Jos. Chambers, James W. Traywick, and those admitted and ordained, as above. 29.

Ques. 5. Who have been elected and ordained elders this year?

Lemuel Q. Allen, John B. M'Gehee, William D. Shea, Miles W. Arnold, Wm. P. Clonts, Robt. F. Jones, Wm. F. Conley, John W. Brady, Harvey M'Han, Richard W. Waters, William M. Watts, Robert B. Lester. 12.

Ques. 6. Who have located this year?

Wesley F. Smith, F. W. Flanders, Wm. H. Thomas. 3.

Ques. 7. Who are the supernumeraries?

Alexander Means, Jacob R. Owen. 2.

Ques. 8. Who are the superannuated or worn-out preachers?

William Arnold, Eli Bennett, Francis Bird, Samuel J. Bellah, Jesse W. Carroll, John S. Ford, Alexander Gordon, Windsor Graham, Whitman C. Hill, James Hunter, J. J. M. Mapp, James Quillian, J. B. C. Quillian, John Simmons, Allen Turner, James B. Turner, Joseph T. Smith, Miller H. White, F. W. Baggerly, Alexander Averett, Young F. Tignor, John P. Dickinson, William B. M'Han. 23.

Ques. 9. Who have been expelled from the Connection this year?

None.

Ques. 10. Who have withdrawn from the Connection this year?

None.

Ques. 11. Are all the preachers blameless in life and conversation?

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

John H. Caldwell was suspended for six months.

Silas H. Cooper was suspended for twelve months.

Noah Smith was suspended until an investigation can be had of certain charges against him.

Ques. 12. Who have died this year?

Wiley Warwick, Andrew Neese, William H. Morton. 3.

WILEY WARWICK was born in Sussex county, Virginia, March 17, 1771. He embraced religion in his twenty-sixth year, joined the Methodist Episcopal Church, and soon after was licensed to exhort. He was licensed to preach in the year 1799, and labored efficiently in the local ranks until 1804, when he was admitted into the travelling connection in the South Carolina Conference, during its session in Augusta, Georgia. He travelled Little Pedee, Anson, Bladen, Santee, Great Pedee, Rocky River, Wateree, Santee, Black River, and Enoree Circuits, and located in the year 1817. In the year 1821 he was employed by Bishop George on the Union Circuit, South Carolina Conference, and at the ensuing Conference was readmitted, and travelled the Carnesville, Lawrenceville, Elberton, Clarkesville, and Habersham Circuits. During the last four years of his itinerant ministry, he travelled under such physical disabilities and pain as would perhaps have driven almost any other man from the work. But his indefatigable devotion to the Church would not permit him to retire from its active service, until other afflictions constrained that step. He was superannuated at his own request in 1830, and retained that relation until his death. He died the 7th of May, 1856, aged eighty-six years, having been in the ministry fifty-seven years, fifty-three of which he was connected with the itinerancy. During the thirty years of his itinerant labors, he travelled 66,849 miles, preached 5938 sermons, and received of the Church \$6392, being little more than \$210 per annum. Father Warwick possessed a mind of something more than ordinary capacity, but poorly cultivated, as he enjoyed little advantages of early education. But this defect he afterwards sought to supply by diligent application. His piety was deep and fervent. As a preacher, he was earnest, faithful, and useful: an excellent disciplinarian, and a safe counsellor. During his last illness, borne down by the decrepitude of age and torturing disease, he suffered much, often writhing under paroxysms of the most excruciating pain, yet he sustained all uncomplainingly, with true Christian fortitude,

and died in holy triumph, testifying his faith in God and hope of heaven.

ANDREW NEESE died this year. He finished his course just four days before this Conference met, after an illness of four days. He died in the forty-second year of his age. He was born in Franklin county, Georgia, in the year 1815. In 1838, he professed religion and joined the Church. In 1839, he was licensed to preach, and was received into the travelling connection, under the auspices of the Georgia Annual Conference in 1840. From that field he never withdrew. The remaining sixteen years of his life were spent in filling the various important works assigned him by the Conference. He was acceptable and useful wherever he labored. Brother Neese was emphatically a good man. His moral deportment was uniformly correct: no complaint was ever brought against him. He was, in the strong language of Scripture, "blameless and harmless," "a child of God," "without rebuke in the midst of a crooked and perverse generation." His piety was of a high order. He was, however, never fully appreciated either in his piety or preaching ability, on account of his modest, unassuming, and retiring disposition. As a preacher, he was plain, pointed, earnest, scriptural, and often preached with considerable power. During the last two years of his ministry, he labored on the Cassville Circuit. He closed his labors on that work the present year a little in advance of the usual time, in order to visit his relations in North Carolina. As preacher in charge, he had every thing appertaining to his work, to the last item, ready for Conference. This was characteristic of the man. He was remarkably systematic in all his transactions and arrangements. He made his contemplated visit, and was hastening home to attend the present meeting of the Conference, but was arrested in his course by a stroke of paralytic apoplexy, at the breakfast-house near Augusta, on the Georgia Railroad, on the morning of Nov. 26. From that place he was conveyed to his home in Atlanta, in a state of insensibility, where he lingered until the evening of the 29th, when he calmly breathed his last. After his attack, he had but one interval of consciousness, during which he seemed to be aware of his danger, though he did not speak of it. He evinced no fear of death, uttered some words of comfort and sympathy to his wife, quoted several appropriate passages of Scripture, and, especially, repeated with emphasis nearly the whole of the twenty-first chapter of Revelation, which gives such a vivid and glowing description of the glories and blessedness of the heavenly world. This shows that his faith did not fail him in his last hours, that his prospects of heaven were bright, and that his end was peace.

WILLIAM H. MORTON departed this life at Cave Spring, Floyd county, Georgia, on the 15th of September, 1856, aged twenty years. He was converted about three years ago, and was soon impressed that it was his duty to preach the gospel. After much reflection and earnest prayer, he consented to give up all for Christ. Accordingly, he applied for license to preach, which was readily granted. He then applied to the Georgia Annual Conference for admission, and was received on trial December, 1855, and appointed as junior preacher on Cave Spring Circuit. His character as a Christian was exemplary. His race as a minister was short but bright. He died in triumph, and no doubt is with the good in heaven.

Ques. 13. What numbers are in our Church in the bounds of the Conference?

Augusta District.

	White Mem's.	White Prob's.	Col'd Mem's.	Col'd Prob's.	Loc'l Pr's.
Augusta:					
St. James's.....	178	45	.....	.....	.....
St. John's.....	292	42	.....	.....	.....
Trinity Col. Mission...	.....	.....	579	48	5
City Mission.....	13	12	.....	.....	.....
Savannah:					
Trinity.....	423	19	16	16	3
Wesley Chapel.....	163	13	.....	.....	2
Andrew Chapel.....	.....	.....	380	42	.....
City Mission.....	33	5	.....	.....	.....
Springfield.....	225	35	52	17	1
Sylvania.....	324	118	.....	.....	5
Scriven Colored Mission...	.....	.....	420	50	.....
Waynesboro'.....	428	55	125	10	3
Burke Colored Mission...	.....	.....	450	65	.....
Louisville.....	367	55	23	14	6
Jefferson Col. Mission...	.....	.....	218	50	.....
Richmond.....	236	56	15	21	.....
Warrenton.....	513	71	242	36	11
Sparta.....	158	6	149	15	1
Hancock.....	218	7	18	.....	2
“ Col. Mission.....	.....	.....	350	69	.....
Columbia.....	226	10	.....	.....	.....
“ Col. Mission...	.....	.....	160	.....	.....
	3797	549	3197	453	39

Athens District.

	White Mem's.	White Prob's.	Col'd Mem's.	Col'd Prob's.	Loc'l Pr's.
Athens.....	324	17	.....	.....	3
“ Colored Mission..	.....	.....	130	9	.....
Watkinsville.....	1185	35	190	47	11
Factory Mission.....	89	41	.....	.....	1
Madison.....	109	17	82	8	4
Morgan.....	150	41	35	7	2
Kingston Col. Mission...	.....	.....	382	40	.....
Greensboro'.....	522	5	366	.....	3
Greens Col. Mission.....	.....	.....	250	25	.....
Lexington.....	273	95	170	60	.....
Washington.....	112	8	121	6	1
Wilkes.....	225	22	190	6	1
Lincolnton.....	292	34	109	.....	6
Elberton.....	568	138	158	80	4
Broad River Mission.....	8	.....	235	13	.....
	3847	453	2418	301	36

Dahlonge District.

	White Mem's.	White Prob's.	Col'd Mem's.	Col'd Prob's.	Loc'l Pr's.
Dahlonge.....	1089	145	54	8	10
Gainesville.....	485	134	59	29	7
Carnesville.....	1093	116	170	.....	5

Dahlonge District, (continued.)

	White Mem's.	White Prob's.	Col'd Mem's.	Col'd Prob's.	Loc'l Pr's.
Clarkesville.....	717	90	62	14	10
Canton.....	343	88	48	.....	7
Ellijay Mission.....	735	122	14	10	9
Blairsville Mission.....	564	193	7	3	8
Ducktown.....	443	122	.....	.....	6
Murphy.....	452	30	6	13	5
Clayton.....	58	15	.....	.....	1
	5979	1055	420	77	68

Atlanta District.

Atlanta:					
Wesley Chapel and Col. Mission.....	380	25	150	69	7
Trinity and Evans Chapel.....	186	24	.....	.....	4
Atlanta Circuit.....	465	50	93	10	4
Decatur.....	451	23	152	27	3
Lawrenceville.....	915	119	145	19	7
Monroe.....	525	55	82	17	5
Newton.....	672	70	200	10	9
Covington and Oxford...	247	30	165	15	8
M'Donough.....	745	25	113	7	9
Powder Springs.....	668	117	27	16	7
Marietta.....	190	17	80	16	6
Roswell.....	645	151	61	.....	12
	6089	706	1268	206	81

Rome District.

	White Mem's.	White Prob's.	Col'd Mem's.	Col'd Prob's.	Loc'l Pr's.
Rome.....	200	4	136	4	2
Etowah Col. Mission.....	.....	.....	.....	60	.....
Cave Spring.....	733	127	280	19	14
Cassville.....	710	54	309	.....	11
Calhoun.....	665	75	139	4	13
Dalton.....	732	97	84	10	23
Spring Place.....	514	92	53	3	9
Lafayette.....	862	181	98	10	14
Dade Mission.....	371	53	4	7	5
Summerville.....	425	74	79	16	7
Subligna.....	485	71	49	18	5
	5697	828	1211	151	103

La Grange District.

	White Mem's.	White Prob's.	Col'd Mem's.	Col'd Prob's.	Loc'l Pr's.
LaGrange.....	150	30	137	12	2
Troup.....	682	35	370	45	4
“ Colored Mission.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Greenville.....	849	88	553	83	8
Zebulun.....	580	43	310	99	5
Jackson.....	350	11	111	20	3
Griffin.....	252	18	105	38	5
Fayetteville.....	589	79	141	11	11
Newnan.....	670	91	233	22	13
Palmetto.....	405	30	85	15	7
“ Col. Mission...	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Carrollton.....	370	75	21	3	4
Villa Rica Mission.....	512	178	20	20	7
Franklin.....	322	99	104	42	5
	5731	777	2190	410	74

Macon District.

	White Mem's.	White Prob's.	Col'd Mem's.	Col'd Prob's.	Loc'l Pr's.
Macon.....	505	64	.....	.....	4
“ Colored Mission...	.....	.....	317	72	1
Clinton.....	120	36	120	40	1
Monticello.....	367	23	585	65	7
Eatonton & Col. Mission.	408	29	436	23	7
Milledgeville & Bethel...	120	80	87	23	1
Bethel Colored Mission...	.....	.....	284	24	.....
Jeffersonville.....	185	57	190	46	1
Perry.....	331	146	342	28	8
Ocmulgee Col. Mission...	.....	.....	217	47	.....
Fort Valley.....	584	120	275	32	8
“ Col. Mission...	.....	.....	113	115	.....
Knoxville.....	.....	.....	211	75	5
Culoden.....	489	107	12	.....	.....
“ Col. Mission.....	.....	.....	523	23	.....
Forsyth.....	352	68	285	36	5
	3461	730	3947	649	43

Columbus District.

	White Mem's.	White Prob's.	Col'd Mem's.	Col'd Prob's.	Loc'l Pr's.
Columbus.....	576	.....	.....	.....	.....
" Colored Miss.....	.....	.....	689	100	3
" City ".....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
" Factory ".....	182	76	.....	.....	.....
Cusetta.....	365	114	169	37	3
Buena Vista.....	581	132	374	65	13
Butler.....	392	85	106	71	6
Talbotton.....	184	43	111	69	1
Talbot Circuit.....	472	104	28	.....	5
" Colored Mission.....	.....	.....	289	56	.....
Thomaston.....	138	39	74	29	5
Upson.....	462	81	242	28	4
Hamilton.....	402	47	400	24	10
Harris Colored Mission.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Whitesville.....	309	16	128	.....	.....
	4063	737	2610	479	50

Americus District.

Lumpkin.....	138	9	99	4	2
Stewart.....	523	83	205	20	8
Chattahooche Mission.....	.....	.....	167	47	.....
Cuthbert and Emmaus...	184	13	80	10	1
Fort Gaines.....	465	70	115	45	8
Randolph Mission.....	15	.....	73	16	.....
Starkville.....	387	68	59	32	7
Americus.....	149	4	74	11	4
" Circuit.....	339	58	98	14	6
Sumpter Col. Mission.....	.....	.....	66	23	.....
Tabernacle ".....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Oglethorpe.....	28	86	58	6	1
Vienna.....	360	42	29	22	5
Hawkinsville.....	117	67	41	49	1
	2755	500	1164	299	43

Sandersville District.

Sandersville.....	312	32	139	13	3
Irwinton.....	200	43	67	.....	3
Dublin.....	288	27	41	11	.....
Jacksonville.....	460	96	71	18	3
Reidsville.....	260	40	90	10	4
Hinesville.....	265	27	320	26	3
M'Intosh Mission.....	25	.....	.....	.....	.....
Darien.....	36	10	115	10	.....
Bryan and Bulloch.....	85	6	43	4	.....
Emmanuel Mission.....	136	20	2	.....	2
	2037	301	888	92	18

Recapitulation.

Augusta District.....	3797	549	3197	453	39
Athens ".....	3847	453	2418	391	36
Dahlonega ".....	5979	1055	420	77	68
Atlanta ".....	6089	706	1268	206	81
Rome ".....	5697	828	1211	151	103
LaGrange ".....	5731	777	2190	410	74
Macon ".....	3461	730	3947	649	48
Columbus ".....	4063	737	2610	479	50
Americus ".....	2755	500	1164	299	43
Sandersville ".....	2037	301	888	92	18
Total this year.....	43,456	6636	19,313	3117	560
Total last year.....	44,252	5549	18,616	3341	566
Increase.....		1087	697		
Decrease.....	796			224	6

Ques. 14. What amounts are necessary for the superannuated preachers, and the widows and orphans of preachers, and to make up the deficiencies of those who have not obtained their regular allowance on the circuits?

\$9227.

Ques. 15. What has been collected on the foregoing accounts, and how has it been applied?

Collected, \$7259 48

Applied as follows:

Paid Sister Darley, as per order of Conference, 108 00
Expenses of lay delegates, members of Board of Finance, 25 00
Stationery, 5 00
Superannuated preachers, widows, and orphans, 7119 00

\$7257 00

Balance on hand, (ordered to be paid to J. Strickland,) \$2 48

The stewards settled with the claimants at 77 $\frac{4}{5}$ cents in the dollar, leaving \$2108 unpaid.

Ques. 16. What has been contributed for the support of Missions, what for the publication of Tracts and Sunday-school books, and what to aid the American Bible Society and its auxiliaries?

For Missions, \$21,615 44
Sunday-school Cause, 2525 56
Tract Cause, 4087 17
Bible Society, 5441 83

Ques. 17. Where are the preachers stationed this year?

AUGUSTA DISTRICT.

James B. Payne, P. E.

Augusta:

St. John's, *A. T. Mann.*

St. James's, *W. M. Crumley.*

Trinity Colored Mission and Factory Mission, *L. Q. Allen.*

Savannah:

Trinity, *Joseph S. Key.*

Wesley Chapel, *T. H. Jordan.*

Andrew Chapel, *L. B. Payne.*

City Mission, *D. T. Holmes.*

Chatham Mission, to be supplied.

Springfield, *P. C. Harris.*

{ Sylvania, *D. W. Calhoun.*

{ Scriven Colored Mission, *D. E. Starr.*

{ Waynesboro', *W. J. Cotter, J. G. Worley.*

{ Burke Colored Mission, *R. J. Harwell.*

{ Louisville, *J. M. Dickey, A. J. Dean.*

{ Jefferson Colored Mission, to be supplied.

Richmond, *Dennis O'Driscoll.*

Warrenton, *Josiah Lewis.*

Sparta, *W. R. Foote.*

{ Hancock, *F. F. Reynolds.*

{ Hancock Colored Mission, *James Jones.*

Columbia, *J. H. Grogan.*

ATHENS DISTRICT.

*John W. Talley, P. E.*Athens, *H. H. Parks.*Athens Colored Mission, *John H. Harris.*{ Watkinsville, *W. H. C. Cone, J. C. Neese.*{ Factory Mission, *H. Cranford.*Madison, *D. Kelsey.*{ Morgan, *A. W. Rowland.*{ Kingston Colored Mission, *J. P. Howell.*Greensboro', *G. Bright, C. A. Mitchell.*Lexington, *R. Lane, W. H. Moss.*Washington, *J. O. A. Clarke.*Wilkes, *John S. Dunn.*Lincolnton, *W. P. Arnold.*Elberton, *J. W. Knight, J. W. McGehee.*Broad River Mission, *N. H. Palmer.**Joseph H. Echols, President of Madison Female College.**James L. Pierce, Professor in Madison Female College.*

DAHLONEGA DISTRICT.

*D. D. Cox, P. E.*Dahlonega, *J. W. Turner, W. B. Baily.*Gainsville, *W. W. Brewer.*Carnesville, *A. J. Deavours, W. A. Parks.*Clarksville, *T. T. Christian, W. A. Edwards.*Canton, *W. G. Allen.*Ellijay Mission, *J. H. Mashburn, S. A. Clark.*Blairsville Mission, *Goodman Hughes.*Morganton Mission, *Joseph Chambers.*Murphy Mission, *J. W. Brady, James V. M. Morris.*Clayton Mission, *R. H. Waters.*

ATLANTA DISTRICT.

W. R. Branham, P. E.

Atlanta :

Wesley Chapel and Col. Charge, *C. W. Key.*Trinity and Evans Chapel Mission, *H. J. Adams.*Atlanta Circuit, *C. Trussell.*Decatur, *J. M. Armstrong.*Lawrenceville, *J. W. Burke, W. T. Hamilton.*Monroe, *R. W. Lovett.*Newton, *J. W. Yarbrough.*Covington and Oxford, *E. W. Speer, A. Means, Sup'y.*M'Donough, *A. Gray.*Powder Spring, *A. Dorman, J. R. Owen, Sup'y.*Marietta, *W. J. Scott.*Roswell, *I. N. Craven.**W. J. Sasnett, Professor in Emory College.**W. J. Parks, Agent for Emory College.**G. J. Pearce, Agent for American Bible Society.*

ROME DISTRICT.

*J. C. Simmons, P. E.*Rome, *W. H. Evans.*

Etowah Mission, to be supplied.

Cave Spring, *T. B. Harben, one to be supplied.*Cedar Town, *J. W. Traywick.*Cassville, *L. J. Davies.*Calhoun, *R. F. Jones.*Dalton Station, *M. A. Clontz.*Dalton Circuit, *H. P. Pitchford.*Spring Place, *H. H. M' Han.*LaFayette, *W. M. D. Bond, J. B. Key.*Dade Mission, *John Strickland.*Summerville, *W. F. Conley.*Subligna, *W. T. Norman.*

Lookout Mountain Mission, to be supplied.

LAGRANGE DISTRICT.

*S. Anthony, P. E.*LaGrange, *Jesse Boring.*Troup, *W. A. Florence.*Greenville, *J. R. Littlejohn, George Patillo.*Zebulun, *S. C. Quillian.*Jackson, *J. Rush.*Griffin Station, *C. R. Jewett.*Fayetteville, *W. M. Watts.*Newnan, *James Harris.*Palmetto and Colored Mission, *M. H. Hebard, one to be supplied.*Carrollton, *R. Stripling.*Villa Rica, *Thomas Boring.*Franklin, *W. P. Clontz.*West Point, *L. G. R. Wiggins.*

Haralson Mission, to be supplied.

*W. G. Conner, Agent for LaGrange Female College.**C. W. Thomas, Chaplain U. S. Navy.*

MACON DISTRICT.

*John W. Glenn, P. E.*Macon and Vineville, *James E. Evans, one to be supplied.*City Mission and Colored Charge, *W. F. Cook.*Clinton and Bethel Colored Mission, *M. W. Arnold, F. L. Brantly.*Monticello, *J. B. M' Gehee.*Eatonton and Colored Mission, *E. P. Burch, A. M. Thigpen.*Milledgeville, *Thomas H. Stewart.*Jeffersonville, *P. M. Ryburn.*Perry and Ocmulgee Mission, *C. A. Fulwood, J. M. Bright.*Fort Valley and Colored Mission, *D. Blalock, J. Dunwoody.*Culloden and Knoxville Mission, *F. X. Forster, W. M' Michael.*Forsyth and Colored Mission, *J. M. Marshall, Morgan Bellah.**J. Blakely Smith, Tract Agent.**O. L. Smith, President of Wesleyan Female College.**J. P. Duncan, Agent for Wesleyan Female College.**E. H. Myers, Editor of Southern Christian Advocate.*

COLUMBUS DISTRICT.

L. Rush, P. E.

Columbus:

Columbus, *A. M. Wynn*, George G. N. M'Donald.Columbus Colored Charge, *E. N. Boland*.Factory Mission, *Raleigh Greene*.City Mission, *W. A. Simmons*.Cusseta, *T. H. Whilby*, Wm. S. Turner.Buena Vista, *J. B. Wardlaw*, J. W. Reynolds.Butler, *Smith Davenport*.Joint River Mission, *Wyatt Brooks*.Talbotton, *R. B. Lester*.Talbot Circuit, *R. A. Conner*, W. W. Tidwell.Thomaston, *Thomas F. Pierce*.Upson and Colored Mission, *E. W. Reynolds*,
M. H. Hamby.Hamilton, *W. H. Potter*, R. Dixon.Whitesville, *M. F. Malsby*.*Lovick Pierce*, Conference Missionary.

AMERICUS DISTRICT.

*George C. Clarke, P. E.*Lumpkin, *W. G. Parks*.Stewart, *J. T. Turner*, J. D. Junkin.

Chattahoochee Mission, to be supplied.

Cuthbert and Emmaus, *J. B. Jackson*.Fort Gaines, *D. Crenshaw*.Terrell, *D. Williamson*.Starkville and Colored Mission, *J. T. Ainsworth*.Americus, *J. W. Hinton*.Americus Circuit and Sumter Mission, *I. L.**Potter, W. Park*.Oglethorpe, *W. D. Shea*.Vienna and Dooly Mission, *J. E. Sentell*, A. H.*Ogletree*.Hawkinsville, *J. H. Reese*.

SANDERSVILLE DISTRICT.

*W. Knox, P. E.*Sandersville, *D. J. Myrick*.Irwinton, *W. S. Baker*.Dublin, *W. C. Rowland*.Jacksonville, *R. N. Cotter*.Reidsville, *W. P. Pledger*.Hinesville, *T. S. L. Harwell*.Darien, *J. M. Austen*.M'Intosh Mission, *E. White*.Bryan and Bulloch, *B. F. Breedlove*.

Emmanuel Mission, to be supplied.

W. D. Matthews, C. L. Hays, transferred
to the Alabama Conference.*F. Gates, A. M. Davis*, transferred to the
Florida Conference.*J. L. Terry*, transferred to the Texas Con-
ference.Ques. 18. Where and when shall our
next Conference be held?

At Washington, Ga.

15.—ALABAMA CONFERENCE.

HELD AT TUSKEGEE, ALA., December 10-17, 1856.

BISHOP PIERCE, *President*; THOMAS W. DORMAN, *Secretary*.QUESTION 1. What preachers are ad-
mitted on trial?ANSWER. John H. Gibbs, John C. Pitts,
Billups D. Gayle, Samuel Briggs, Ulysses
L. Thompson, John B. Stone, Abram
Adams, Samuel Adams, James W. Came-
ron, Rufus Nicholson, Joseph Linn, James
F. R. Brandon, John W. Mabry, Robert
G. Sampler, Matthew W. Regan, Isaac I.
Tatum, John T. Dickinson, Anson West,
Theophilus Manghum, Robert Rylander,
Moses E. Butt, Robert R. Roberts, James
L. Sampey, William K. Towles, John B.
Powers, Warrenton S. Wingfield. 26.Reädmitted, Malcolm M. Graham, Mor-
gan C. Turrentine, James H. Ewing. 3.

Ques. 2. Who remain on trial?

Nathanael H. Self, James A. Neely,
Evans Nicholson, Benjamin G. Fleming,
Ezekiel T. Nabors, William A. Montgomery,
James Hightower, Francis H. Wardlaw,
Joseph Abernathy, James M. Gann, Daniel
G. W. Ellis, Robert Smilie, Daniel T. Mel-
lard, Neil Gillis, James W. Glenn, Warren
D. Nicholson, John S. Moore, John T. M.
Gregory, George J. Mason, John W. Solo-
mon, Julius N. Glover, Edward P. M'Lel-
land, Edward Patton, John Latham. 24.Ques. 3. Who are admitted into full
connection?Robert S. Woodward, William C. Hearn,
Gabriel Hawkins, Thomas C. Weir, Francis

T. J. Brandon, Joseph W. Hightower, Wm. M. Motley, John W. Rush, Joshua W. Jordan, William A. M'Carty, Thomas S. Abernathy, Jr., William A. Sampey. 12.

Ques. 4. Who are the deacons?

Abijah Watson, Jas. M. Patton, Francis Walker, LaFayette Patterson, Daniel M. Hudson, Alexander M. Samford, William P. Harrison, Geo. A. Shaeffer, David C. B. Connerly, Charles D. Nicholson, James M. Campbell, Whitman C. Turner, William H. Carter, Sheldon J. Kelly, Josiah Bancroft, James R. Pickett, Francis M. Crain, Lewis F. Dowdell, and those admitted and ordained, as above. 30.

Ques. 5. Who have been elected and ordained elders this year?

James A. Peebles, Francis M. Grace, George W. Brown, Silas H. Cox, Walter C. Harris, Mark S. Andrews, Joseph B. Cottrell, John M. Dupree, Benjamin S. Williams, Bennet B. Ross. 10.

Ques. 6. Who have located this year?

William B. Adams, Nathanael W. Skipworth, Robert Scales, William A. Shegog, Matthias Maass, George W. Tucker, Harris Stearns. 7.

Ques. 7. Who are the supernumeraries?

James M. Patton, Bennet B. Ross. 2.

Ques. 8. Who are the superannuated or worn-out preachers?

Elias W. Story, Thomas Lynch, William B. Barnett, Nicholas P. Scales, Hilliard J. Hunter, Jesse Ellis, William Rhodes, Andrew J. Crawford, Wiley W. Thomas, Wm. N. Peavy, John D. Worrell, Charles D. Nicholson, Thomas S. Abernathy, Sr. 13.

Question 9. Who have been expelled from the Connection this year?

None.

Ques. 10. Who have withdrawn from the Connection this year?

None.

Ques. 11. Are all the preachers blameless in life and conversation?

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

Ques. 12. Who have died this year?

Thomas Burpo, Robert W. Spence, Jas. M. Wells, James S. Belton. 4.

THOMAS BURPO was a native of North Carolina. He was born September 7, 1804. While quite young, he removed to Middle Tennessee, and was made partaker of converting grace, September 20, 1820. In the autumn of 1823, he was admitted on trial in the Tennessee

Conference; transferred to the Mississippi, and appointed to the Lawrence Circuit. After filling various appointments with success, his health failed, and he located at the close of 1837. In 1847, he was readmitted into the Alabama Conference, and continued as one of its efficient members until he fell asleep in Jesus, in Wilcox county, in January last. Brother Burpo was an unpretending, modest Christian gentleman, faithful in all the relations of life, and "full of faith and the Holy Ghost." In his death we have lost one of our fathers; yet we have good hope that by it heaven has gained a child.

ROBERT W. SPENCE was born May 11, 1824, in Abbeville District, South Carolina. From his youth, he was morally and religiously inclined. He embraced religion in early life, and united himself with the Presbyterian Church. This church having dissolved in his neighborhood, he immediately joined the Methodist Episcopal Church, under the pastoral care of the Rev. T. Moody. He was licensed to preach, and joined the Alabama Conference in 1849. He travelled as a successful minister of Christ for a little more than six years, when his health entirely failed, and compelled him to leave his charge, and seek retirement in the home of his widowed mother, in Kemper county, Mississippi, where he patiently endured suffering as a good soldier for about four months, when death kindly released him on the 27th of September, 1856. Though others labored longer in the ministry than he, yet none were more faithful. He had been called to go, and he went, always realizing the promise, "Lo, I am with you always, even unto the end of the world." And whether he labored in the prairie or on the mountain, on the circuit or in the station, preaching to master or servant, God helping him, he believed that he could do good, and he always succeeded. Brother Spence was an improving young man, and promised much usefulness to the Church. Beloved by all who knew him, he died regretted by saints and sinners. His death was more than peaceful—triumphant. He shouted in his last moments, "I have fought a good fight!" and then sweetly slept in Jesus.

JAMES M. WELLS was born in Putnam county, Georgia, January 12, 1819. He embraced religion at the Wesley Chapel Camp-ground, De Kalb county, Georgia, in July, 1835; was licensed to preach in December, 1842; was admitted on trial by the Alabama Conference the same month and year; and, after having served the Church in the itinerant ministry for thirteen years, went home to heaven from Northport, Alabama—the field of his former labors—on the 24th of January, 1856. It is but a just tribute to this estimable brother, to say that in all that

constitutes a holy man and a faithful preacher of the gospel, he stood preëminent. Others may have shone with greater brilliance; may have attracted a wider attention, and been the subjects of greater applause; yet none sought more singly to know duty, nor more faithfully to do it, than he; and but few, if any, have had a surer record on high. He was an humble, earnest worker in his Master's vineyard, always at his post, with no word of complaint at its hardness, nor disposition to shun its responsibilities; but in the spirit of meekness, and in the exercise of a trust in God which, on some occasions, wore a marvellous sublimity, and, withal, without so much as the semblance of ostentation, standing firmly at that post, willing to live and work, yet ready to die and rest, just as the great Captain of his salvation might determine. His last illness was short, yet attended with severe suffering. Just before his death, he was asked if his prospects for heaven were bright. He replied promptly and emphatically, "Yes!" and then calmly fell asleep in Jesus. While it would have been gratifying to us to have had the victor's shout wafted to us from the scene of his final conflict, we have what is worth more—the recollection of thirteen years of personal piety and ministerial fidelity.

JAMES S. BELTON was born September 7th, 1833, in Newberry District, South Carolina. His father subsequently removed to Lowndes county, Mississippi. He was converted August 23, 1850, and, in November following, united himself with the Methodist Episcopal Church, South. In August, 1851, he received authority from the Church to preach the gospel; and, having graduated at Lagrange College in 1852, in the latter part of that year he joined the Tennessee Conference, and was transferred to the Alabama Conference. Having preached one year in this Conference, he was appointed missionary to China, ordained deacon and elder in February, 1854, and sailed for that distant land in May following. After laboring in that field nearly two years, he was compelled by ill-health to return, and died in New York, March 17, 1856. In the death of this most estimable young minister, the Church has suffered an immense loss. All that was lovely in character, diligent in the acquisition of knowledge, and beautiful in piety, he possessed in an extraordinary degree. His conversion was thorough and his consecration entire. He felt called not only to the work of the ministry, but also to that of a missionary in distant lands; and nobly did he meet the summons. We remember, as though it were but yesterday, his adieu at Tuscaloosa. Our prayers went with him, and we had hoped for much good through his instrumentality. Yet he has perished like the beauty of Israel, and while the dew of youth

was yet on him. Although far from us in his last illness, he had the ministrations of friendship, from the sweet-spirited Bishop Janes and his pious wife, together with other brethren in New York. These felt themselves "privileged," in that, in the providence of God, they were allowed to be near him. Such was his patience, and trust, and joy, that Sister Janes remarked that "it seemed as if the Lord had sent an angel for them to wait upon." Blessed be God, if not an angel then, he has since become one; and, as such, may be God's appointed minister to us who claim to be heirs of salvation. His last earthly accents were, "Praise the Lord!"—fitting prelude to the song he now sings.

Ques. 13. What numbers are in our Church in the bounds of the Conference?

Mobile District.

	White Mem's.	White Prob's.	Col'd Mem's.	Col'd Prob's.	Loc'l Pr's.
Mobile:					
Franklin Street.....	251	5	.....	.....	1
German Mission.....	14	.....	.....	.....	.....
State Street Col. Miss..	.....	.....	544	89	.....
St. Francis Street.....	205	25	.....	.....	3
Little Zion Col. Miss..	.....	.....	227	91	.....
Wesley Chapel.....	92	8	.....	.....	.....
West Ward.....	53	4	.....	14	.....
Toulminville & Turners-					
ville.....	100	16	.....	11	5
Pascagoula.....	280	30	30	15	3
New Wakefield.....	127	63	100	6	2
Black Creek Mission.....	209	49	13	7	2
Enterprise.....	161	60	75	25	4
Miltonville.....	207	62	89	68	4
	1699	322	1078	326	24

Demopolis District.

Demopolis.....	70	.....	125	5	.....
Arcola Colored Mission..	.....	.....	298	60	.....
Spring Hill.....	184	15	200	20	1
Linden.....	181	54	206	28	2
Dayton.....	70	24	190	30	.....
" Colored Mission.....	.....	.....	324	50	.....
Uniontown and Cotton-					
wood Colored Mission..	109	6	143	4	.....
Uniontown Circuit.....	174	2	161	.....	1
Prairie Bluff Col. Miss..	.....	.....	66	.....	.....
M'Kinley and Bethlehem.	60	15	95	25	.....
Lower Peach Tree.....	290	67	173	.....	4
Butler.....	229	188	15	26	1
Choctaw.....	261	.....	78	.....	7
Gaston.....	378	40	127	.....	5
" Colored Mission.....	.....	.....	32	40	.....
	2006	411	2233	288	21

Gainesville District.

Prairie Hill & Col. Miss..	103	19	.....	.....	.....
Macon.....	108	39	72	30	2
" Circuit.....	207	17	60	15	5
Plum Creek Col. Miss....	.....	.....	211	27	.....
Warsaw & Bogue Chitto.	85	5	107	43	.....
Wahakak.....	95	34	171	65	2
Sumterville.....	102	7	120	7	1
" Col. Mission.....	.....	.....	29	.....	.....
Gainesville.....	35	12	40	13	.....
Livingston.....	88	8	55	15	1
DeKalb.....	426	60	132	32	6
Lauderdale.....	323	59	52	20	8
Marion.....	75	7	20	20	.....
Belmont.....	129	8	.....	.....	1
" Col. Mission.....	.....	.....	175	25	.....
	1776	275	1244	312	25

Tuskaloosa District.

	White Mem's.	White Prob's.	Col'd Mem's.	Col'd Prob's.	Loc'l Pr's.	White Mem's.	White Prob's.	Col'd Mem's.	Col'd Prob's.	Loc'l Pr's.
Tuskaloosa	121	4	400	94	.....	93	3	195	19	1
" Circuit	130	19	101	37	.....	448	111	145	38	5
Scottsville	212	116	38	6	3	60	17	100	28	1
Northport	163	23	22	17	4	117	70	7	16	5
New Lexington	472	103	28	32	4	73	.....	180	.....	.....
Brush Creek	364	144	151	14	4	1865	442	1094	141	33
New Prospect	188	8	171	.....	.....			
German Creek Col. Miss.	.....	.....	115	10	.....				
Newberne & Oak Grove	40	2	226	13	1					
Greensboro'	142	1	254	20	4					
" Col. Mission	.....	.....	147	.....	.....			
Prairie Creek Col. Miss.	.....	.....	694	.....	.....			
Marion	140	13	220	56	1					
Hamburg	98	15	25	.....	.....			
Jones's Valley	441	120	106	.....	8					
Cahaba River Mission	62	127	1	3	1					
	2573	695	2699	302	30					

Columbus District.

Columbus	278	10	147	10	1
Plymouth Col. Mission	.....	.....	149	39	.....
Columbus Circuit	592	85	269	44	8
Buttahatchie	695	95	.....	2	11
Athens	430	100	10	3	6
Mount Zion	497	174	.....	.....	10
Pickensville & Carrolton	79	11	58	20	1
Greene	277	58	161	6	2
Pickens	424	115	237	179	8
Eutaw	99	16	120	5	.....
Forkland	71	9	382	16	.....
Willow Pond Col. Miss.	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Sipey Mission	108	51	25	12	.....
	3550	724	1608	336	47

Blountsville Mission District.

Blountsville	406	306	16	1	11
Jasper	270	30	3	1	7
Murphree's Valley	600	200	15	6	15
Hancock Mission	188	100	1	.....	5
Pikeville	387	83	6	9	2
Warrior	256	67	3	5	1
Ashville Circuit	448	68	72	12	6
Harpersville	511	93	59	22	7
Lebanon	567	55	24	.....	8
Town Creek Mission	232	43	.....	.....	.....
Short	242	74	6	.....	8
	4107	1119	205	56	70

Talladega District.

Talladega	360	46	56	.....	6
Cosa Mission	118	18	.....	.....	.....
Talladega and Alexandria Mission	.....	.....	240	110	.....
Wewokaville	363	120	102	.....	6
Marble Valley Mission	134	29	5	1	1
Socapatoy	466	59	45	50	.....
Tallapoosa	646	126	65	7	12
Randolph	559	132	37	6	14
Hillabee	508	200	27	33	4
Jacksonville	357	85	100	.....	5
White Plains	491	120	56	6	4
Centre	650	.....	77	.....	12
Cedar Bluff	447	29	12	2	6
Gadsden	300	175	60	9	3
	5399	1138	882	224	73

Summerfield District.

Selma	113	8	125	12	2
Summerfield	195	27	.....	.....	10
Ocmulgee Col. Mission	.....	.....	202	.....	.....
Perryville	165	55	54	7	2
Cahaba River Col. Miss.	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Centerville	565	124	50	6	6
Montevallo	36	27	36	15	1

Wetumpka	93	3	195	19	1
Autauga	448	111	145	38	5
Prattville	60	17	100	28	1
Maplesville Mission	117	70	7	16	5
Cahaba	73	.....	180	.....	.....
	1865	442	1094	141	33

Montgomery District.

Montgomery	264	64	.....	.....	3
" Col. Charge	.....	.....	720	80	.....
Catoma Col. Mission	22	.....	145	25	.....
Montgomery Circuit	94	22	194	59	.....
" Col. Miss.	.....	.....	45	.....	.....
Tuskegee	188	10	85	15	1
" Circuit	777	108	333	.....	14
Andrew Col. Mission	13	.....	140	64	.....
Salem	137	7	125	.....	3
Crawford	739	20	.....	.....	7
Uchee Colored Mission	.....	.....	530	249	.....
Auburn	182	3	203	10	5
Lafayette	392	200	92	70	8
Oak Bowery	300	5	100	30	7
Tallassee	517	106	40	30	8
Dadeville	449	132	30	30	8
	4074	677	2782	662	64

Lowndesboro' District.

Lowndesboro & Hayneville	45	5	193	5	.....
Lowndesboro' Col. Miss.	.....	.....	149	.....	.....
Big Swamp Col. Mission	3	.....	152	45	.....
Argus	301	37	139	2	5
Greenville	386	72	26	2	5
Troy	593	77	81	12	10
Geneva	697	248	36	15	10
Elba	149	47	6	.....	1
Walton	118	53	12	.....	2
Pleasant Hill	163	10	333	20	1
Union	357	71	87	72	4
	2812	620	1214	173	38

Eufaula District.

Eufaula	105	11	113	.....	.....
Glennville	374	94	.....	7	8
" Col. Mission	.....	.....	302	87	.....
Villula	.....	.....	138	68	.....
Enon & Chunnenugee	181	20	.....	.....	7
Enon & Chunnenugee Colored Mission	.....	.....	369	65	.....
Barbour Circuit	602	200	159	32	14
Perote Colored Mission	.....	.....	140	61	.....
Barbour	7	30	94	90	.....
Clayton	455	100	.....	.....	6
Abbeville	418	152	.....	70	6
Otho Colored Mission	.....	.....	200	111	.....
Woodville	465	159	30	12	5
Jackson	207	30	40	.....	5
Holmes Mission	114	27	5	.....	2
Chipola Col. Mission	.....	.....	84	39	.....
Greenwood	226	54	.....	.....	5
Marianna	62	28	78	27	1
Apalachicola	103	13	98	4	1
	3319	918	1850	673	60

Camden District.

Camden	50	20	20	6	1
Cedar Creek	220	8	348	30	7
Escambia	210	1	15	.....	1
Milton	80	.....	.....	.....	1
Pensacola	18	3	28	8	.....
Navy Yard	40	45	20	4	.....
Monroeville	336	.....	230	.....	.....
Gainestown Col. Mission	8	1	67	36	.....
Suggsville	96	25	69	23	1
Grove Hill	142	25	28	5	1
Mount Pleasant	77	3	142	.....	1
Fish River Mission	56	5	6	12	.....
Black's Bend	120	36	50	10	2
	1433	172	1023	134	16

Recapitulation.

	White Mem's.	White Prob's.	Col'd Mem's.	Col'd Prob's.	Loc'l Pr's.
Mobile District.....	1699	322	1078	326	24
Demopolis ".....	2006	411	2233	288	21
Gainesville ".....	1776	275	1244	312	25
Tuskaloosa ".....	2573	695	2699	302	30
Columbus ".....	3550	724	1608	336	47
Blountsville ".....	4107	1119	205	56	70
Talladega ".....	5399	1138	882	224	73
Summerfield ".....	1865	442	1094	141	33
Montgomery ".....	4074	677	2782	662	64
Lowndesboro' ".....	2812	620	1214	173	38
Eufaula ".....	3319	918	1850	673	60
Camden ".....	1433	172	1023	134	15
Total this year.....	34,613	7513	17,912	3627	500
Total last year.....	33,108	5977	17,322	3489	507
Increase.....	1505	1536	590	138	
Decrease.....					7

Ques. 14. What amounts are necessary for the superannuated preachers, and the widows and orphans of preachers, and to make up the deficiencies of those who have not obtained their regular allowance on the circuits?

\$10,416 70

Ques. 15. What has been collected on the foregoing accounts, and how has it been applied?

Collected, \$5248 40

Applied to superannuated preachers, widows, and orphans, and to deficient preachers.

Ques. 16. What has been contributed for the support of Missions, what for the publication of Tracts and Sunday-school books, and what to aid the American Bible Society and its auxiliaries?

For Missions, \$31,400 00
Tracts, 2700 00
Sunday-schools, 1120 25
Bibles, 1162 95

Ques. 17. Where are the preachers stationed this year?

MOBILE DISTRICT.

Joshua T. Heard, P. E.

Mobile:

{ Franklin Street, *Thomas J. Koger.*
State Street Colored Mission, *Alexander M' Bride.*
German Mission, to be supplied.
St. Francis Street, *Edwin Baldwin.*
Little Zion Colored Mission, to be supplied.
Wesley Chapel, *Thomas C. Weir.*
West Ward, *George R. Talley.*
Toulminville and Turnerville, to be supplied.
Pascagoula, *Wm. A. Montgomery.*
Black Creek Mission, *Benjamin G. Fleming.*

St. Stephens, *Wm. A. Sampey.*
Mauvilla Mission, *Robert Smilie.*
Miltonville, *John H. Gibbs.*
Enterprise, *Junius E. Newman, Abram Adams.*

DEMOPOLIS DISTRICT.

James A. Heard, P. E.

{ Demopolis, *Thomas P. Crymes.*
Arcola Colored Mission, *Thomas Y. Armstrong.*
Spring Hill, *James H. Ewing.*
Linden, *George F. Ellis.*
Dayton, *Mark S. Andrews.*
Dayton Colored Mission, *John C. Huckabee.*
Uniontown and Cottonwood Colored Mission, *Wm. P. Harrison.*
Orrville, *Lawrence M. Wilson, Moses E. Butt.*
Butler, *James M. Campbell.*
Bladon Springs, *George A. Shaeffer, Bennet B. Ross, Sup'y.*
Gaston, *Leroy Massingale.*
M'Kinley Colored Mission, *Robert Y. Rew.*

MACON DISTRICT.

Thomas Y. Ramsey, P. E.

Macon, *Wm. E. M. Linfield.*
Warsaw and Bogue Chitto Colored Mission, *Wm. C. Hearn.*
Scooba, *Daniel M. Hudson.*
{ Sumterville, *Whitman C. Turner.*
Gainesville, to be supplied.
Livingston, *Joseph B. Cottrell.*
DeKalb, *James R. Thomas.*
Lauderdale, *Andrew J. Coleman, William K. Towles.*
Belmont, *James W. Shores*, one to be supplied.
Forkland and Watson's Chapel, *William Ira Powers, James M. Patton, Sup'y.*
Willow Pond Colored Mission, to be supplied.
Eutaw, *Robert M. Saunders.*

TUSKALOOSA DISTRICT.

Joseph J. Hutchinson, P. E.

Tuskaloosa, *Samuel Armstrong.*
{ Tuskaloosa Circuit, *James L. Sampey.*
Scottsville Mission, *John T. M. Gregory.*
Northport, *Samuel Briggs.*
New Lexington, *Evans Nicholson.*
Brush Creek, *Joseph T. Curry.*
New Prospect, *James A. Peebles.*
Newbern and Oak Grove, *Wm. M. Motley.*
Greensboro', *Edward Wadsworth.*
{ German Creek Colored Mission, to be supplied.
Greensboro' Colored Mission, to be supplied.
Prairie Creek Colored Mission, *John W. M' Cann.*
Marion, *Philip P. Neely.*
{ Jones Valley, *Edward M' Means.*
Cahaba River Mission, to be supplied.

Tuskaloosa District, (continued.)

Christopher C. Callaway, Agent for Southern University, and attached to Greensboro' Quarterly Conference.

John M. Bonnell, Principal of Tuskaloosa Methodist Female High School.

COLUMBUS DISTRICT.

George Shaeffer, P. E.

Columbus, *Christopher D. Oliver*.

{ Columbus Colored Mission, to be supplied.

{ Plymouth Colored Mission, to be supplied.

Columbus Circuit, *Wm. Murrah*.

Fayetteville, *Francis Walker*.

Moscow, *James M. Gann*.

Caledonia, *Wm. Vaughn*.

Athens, *George W. Brown*.

Mount Zion, *Samuel M. Adams*.

Pickensville and Carrolton, *Gabriel Hawkins*.

Greene, *James D. Cameron*.

Pickens, *Julius N. Glover*, *Joseph B. Stone*.

Macon Circuit, *John W. Ellis*.

Prairie Hill and Colored Mission, *Silas H. Cox*.

Plum Creek Colored Mission, *Elisha Callaway*.

BLOUNTSVILLE MISSION DISTRICT.

Charles Strider, P. E.

Blountsville, *James R. Pickett*.

Jasper, *Joseph Linn*.

Murphree's Valley, *Nathanael H. Self*.

Hancock Mission, *Rufus Nicholson*.

Pikeville Mission, *Ulysses L. Thompson*.

Warrior Mission, *Abijah Watson*.

Ashville, *Warren D. Nicholson*.

Harpersville, *Learner B. M'Donald*.

Little River Mission, to be supplied.

Lebanon, *Uriah Williams*.

Town Creek Mission, to be supplied.

Short Creek Mission, *Robert R. Roberts*.

TALLADEGA DISTRICT.

Willis D. Matthews, P. E.

{ Talladega, *John S. Moore*.

{ Coosa Mission, *George J. Mason*.

Talladega and Alexandria Colored Mission, *Edward Patton*.

Weewokaville, *John B. Powers*.

Marble Valley Mission, *Joseph T. Abernathy*.

Socapatoy, *Daniel G. W. Ellis*.

Tallapoosa, to be supplied.

Randolph, *James M. Towles*.

Arhacoochee Mission, to be supplied.

Hillabee, to be supplied.

Jacksonville, *Malcolm M. Graham*.

White Plains, *Robert S. Woodward*.

Centre, *Robert J. Sampler*, one to be supplied.

Cedar Bluff, *James A. Neely*.

Gadsden, *Morgan C. Turrentine*.

Francis M. Grace, Principal of Talladega Female Institute.

SUMMERFIELD DISTRICT.

John W. Starr, P. E.

Selma, *Wm. Shapard*.

Summerfield, *John W. Rush*.

Ocmulgee Colored Mission, *Greenberry Garrett*.

Perryville, *Matthew W. Regan*.

Centreville, *Elisha Phillips*.

Montevallo, *Benjamin S. Williams*.

Wetumpka, *John D. Fisher*.

Autauga, *Wm. B. Neal*, *Edward P. M'Leland*.

Prattville, *Josiah Bancroft*.

Chestnut Creek, *John Foust*.

Cahaba, *Walter H. M'Daniel*.

Hamburg, *Ezekiel T. Nabors*.

Archelaus H. Mitchell, President of Centenary Institute, Female Department.

David C. B. Connerly, Principal of Centenary Institute, Male Department.

MONTGOMERY DISTRICT.

Oliver R. Blue, P. E.

{ Montgomery, *Thomas W. Dorman*.

{ Montgomery Colored Mission, *James W. Brown*.

Catoma Colored Mission, *John T. Roper*.

Montgomery Circuit, *James A. Clement*, *Isaac J. Tatum*.

Tuskegee, *James L. Cotten*.

{ Tuskegee Circuit, *Cornelius N. M'Leod*,
James W. Glenn.

{ Andrew Colored Mission, *John N. Dupree*.

Crawford, *John C. Stricklin*, *Anson West*.

Uchee Mission, *Charles L. Hayes*.

Auburn, *Jacob M. Jennings*.

LaFayette, *John C. McDaniel*.

Oak Bowery, *John W. Laney*, *Lewis F. Dowdell*.

Tallassee, *Robert R. Dickinson*.

Dadeville, *Francis H. Wardlaw*.

Edward J. Hamill, Agent for Male College at Auburn.

LOWNDESBORO' DISTRICT.

Anthony S. Dickinson, P. E.

Lowndesboro' and Hayneville and Bethel, *Daniel Duncan*.

Lowndesboro' Colored Mission, *James Hightower*.

Big Swamp Colored Mission, *John W. Broxson*.

Argus, *John A. Spence*.

Greenville, *Asa Skinner*.

Troy, *Billaps D. Gayle*.

Geneva, *John W. Solomon*.

Elba, *Zaccheus Dowling*.

Walton Mission, *Jefferson Bond*.

Pleasant Hill, *Thomas S. Abernathy, Jr.*

Pleasant Hill Colored Mission, *Peleg R. M'Crary*.

Union, *Sheldon J. Kelly*.

Milton, *Wm. M. Shockley*.

Escambia, *Joseph W. Hightower*.

EUFAULA DISTRICT.

Frederick G. Ferguson, P. E.

Eufaula, Wm. A. M'Carty.
 { Glennville, *Wm. K. Norton*, Robert Ry-
 lander.
 { Glennville Colored Mission, to be supplied.
 Villula Colored Mission, *John Williamson*.
 { Enon and Barbour, *Stephen F. Pilley*, Jas.
 F. R. Brandon.
 { Barbour Colored Mission, to be supplied.
 Chunnenuggee Mission, *John W. Mabry*.
 { Perote Colored Mission, to be supplied.
 Clayton, *Lafayette Patterson*.
 { Abbeville, *John F. Dickinson*.
 { Otho Colored Mission, to be supplied.
 Woodville, *Lewis P. Golson*.
 Jackson, *Joshua W. Jordan*.
 Greenwood, *Thomas L. Densler*.
 Marianna, *Walter C. Harris*.
 Choctawhatchee, to be supplied.
 St. Andrew's Bay Mission, *Francis M. Crain*.
 Apalachicola, to be supplied.
Wm. H. Ellison, President of Chunnenug-
 gee Female College.
Allen S. Andrews, Principal of Glennville
 High School.

CAMDEN DISTRICT.

Dugald Carmichael, P. E.

Camden, *Warrenton S. Wingfield*.
 Cedar Creek, *Ebenezer Hearn*, *Theophilus*
Mangham.
 { Suggsville, *Alexander M. Samford*.
 { Gainestown Mission, to be supplied.
 Grove Hill, *Wm. H. Carter*.
 Lower Peach Tree, *James B. Rabb*.
 Mount Pleasant, *Henry Urquhart*.
 Fish River Mission, *John Latham*.
 Pensacola, *Theophilus Moody*.
 Navy Yard, *Francis T. J. Brandon*.
 Black's Bend, *Daniel T. Mellard*.
 Monroeville, *Wm. P. Miller*, *Neil Gillis*.
Thomas O. Summers, Editor of Books.
Jefferson Hamilton, Secretary of Tract So-
 ciety.
Josiah Barker, Agent for Tract Society.
Eugene V. Levert, Agent for Sunday-schools.
John C. Pitts, transferred to the Louisiana
 Conference.

Ques. 18. Where and when shall our
 next Conference be held?
 At Selma.

16.—FLORIDA CONFERENCE.

HELD AT ALLIGATOR, FLA., *December 24-30, 1856.*BISHOP ANDREW, *President*; PEYTON P. SMITH, *Secretary*.

QUESTION 1. What preachers are ad-
 mitted on trial?

ANSWER. Benjamin J. Johnson, Jesse
 J. Giles, Leroy B. Giles, Joseph E. Darden,
 William G. M. Quarterman, Jasper K.
 Glover. 6.

Readmitted, Thomas W. Cooper.

Transferred from Georgia Conference,
 J. M. Davis, E. F. Gates. 2.

Ques. 2. Who remain on trial?

Joseph A. W. Johnson, Valarious C.
 Cannon, Grandison Royster, Thomas R.
 Barnett, Saml. F. Cobb, Willis P. O'Kane,
 Thomas A. Carruth, Theophilus J. John-
 son, Charles P. Murdock, Robert S. Lan-
 tier, James M. Mills, Isaac A. Towers,
 John W. M'Crary, Joseph F. Andrews,
 James W. Poynts. 15.

Ques. 3. Who are admitted into full
 connection?

David L. Kennedy, Franklin A. Branch,
 James O. Branch, Amos Davis, James T.

Stockton, Martin V. Wells, John L. Wil-
 liams, Francis M. Wilson, William Davies.
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Transferred from Tennessee Conference,
 James M. Wright, James W. Timberlake.

Ques. 4. Who are the deacons?

James W. Jackson, Archibald Johnson,
 Robert J. M'Cook, William Peeler, Aaron
 W. Harris, and those admitted and ordained,
 as above. 16.

Ques. 5. Who have been elected and or-
 dained elders this year?

Frederick R. C. Ellis.

Ques. 6. Who have located this year?

William T. Harrison, John P. Richard-
 son. 2.

Ques. 7. Who are the supernumeraries?
 Joshua Carraway, Joseph J. Sealy. 2.

Ques. 8. Who are the superannuated or
 worn-out preachers?

Edwin L. T. Blake, Mahlon Bedell, John

L. Jerry, Anderson Peeler, John Penny, Thomas Taylor, Jesse M. Valentine. 7.

Ques. 9. Who have been expelled from the Connection this year?

Edward G. Asay. 1.

Ques. 10. Who have withdrawn from the Connection this year?

None.

Ques. 11. Are all the preachers blameless in life and conversation?

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

Ques. 12. Who have died this year?

John W. Rhodes. 1.

JOHN W. RHODES was born March 1, 1816, in Haywood county, North Carolina. He removed to Kentucky some time in 1836 or 1837; was united in marriage to Miss Larn-da M. Davis, January 9, 1839; was converted to God in the autumn of the same year, at Ash Spring Camp-meeting; and was received into the Church by the Rev. N. H. Lee; was licensed to preach, September 12, 1845, and admitted on trial in the Louisville Conference in 1846. He labored on the Cadiz Circuit two years, was ordained deacon by Bishop Capers in 1848, and sent to the Greenville Circuit; in 1849, to the Hartford Circuit; in 1850 was ordained elder by Bishop Andrew, and sent to the Big Spring Circuit, where he remained two years; in 1852, was stationed at Elizabethtown; in 1853, was transferred to the Florida Conference; labored on the Madison Circuit in 1854; on the Monticello Circuit in 1855, and a part of 1856. He visited Tennessee during this year, to recuperate, if possible, his wasting health. In this, however, his hopes were disappointed. On the 6th of September, 1856, our brother ceased to live on earth, and we doubt not has gone to live with God. John Wesley Rhodes was a faithful, zealous laborer in the Master's vineyard. He was not brilliant; but, what is far more important, was eminently successful in his work. His last hours were peaceful and triumphant.

Ques. 13. What numbers are in our Church in the bounds of the Conference?

Tallahassee District.

	White Mem's.	White Prob's.	Col'd Mem's.	Col'd Prob's.	Loc'l Pr's.
Tallahassee	132	3	182	8	2
Quincy	137	5	205	18	.....
Leon	469	35	508	18	8
Chair's Mission	16	4	180	20	1
Leon " .....	.....	.....	255	38	.....
Wakulla	200	23	30	.....	4
Gadsden	262	10	50	.....	2
South Gadsden	256	18	60	.....	.....
Gadsden Mission .....	.....	.....	25	.....	.....
Apalachicola	120	.....	.....	.....	1
	1592	98	1495	102	18

Bainbridge District.

	White Mem's.	White Prob's.	Col'd Mem's.	Col'd Prob's.	Loc'l Pr's.
Albany	101	12	66	42	.....
Bainbridge	62	21	31	27	1
Newton	29	2	54	9	.....
Calhoun Mission	66	42	7	3	1
Milford	89	45	50	100	2
Blakely	172	60	373	139	2
Decatur	205	67	68	17	2
Baker Mission .....	.....	.....	65	.....	.....
	724	249	714	337	8

Thomasville District.

Thomasville	85	6	85	2	2
Duquansville	48	15	55	50	1
Grooversville	98	1	68	2	.....
Troupville	119	66	52	42	4
Grand Bay	62	18	50	7	.....
Isabella Mission	28	19	1	6	1
Alapaha "	83	25	1	3	.....
Flint River	48	47	20	.....	3
Oclocknee Mission	41	16	2	.....	1
	612	213	334	112	12

Madison District.

Madison	326	89	150	38	3
Monticello	336	44	174	14	4
South Madison	69	8	1	.....	2
Madison Mission	11	.....	66	12	.....
Aucilla " .....	.....	.....	152	37	.....
Santafee "	70	6	9	8	2
Hamilton	135	3	102	30	2
Columbia	222	29	108	33	3
Suwannee Mission	87	20	2	.....	3
	1256	199	764	172	19

St. Mary's District.

St. Mary's	49	.....	73	25	.....
Centrevillage	167	55	69	17	6
Satilla Mission .....	.....	.....	290	7	.....
Brunswick	220	63	55	51	3
Altamaha Mission .....	.....	.....	52	61	.....
Holmesville	318	123	26	20	3
Waresboro'	155	19	2	13	4
Irwin	215	20	73	.....	2
Clinch	57	10	8	1	.....
	1181	290	648	195	18

Jacksonville District.

Jacksonville	124	37	97	.....	2
Black Creek	103	13	39	19	.....
Pilatka	21	4	15	10	1
Fernandina Mission	16	9	24	9	.....
Nassau	16	3	5	.....	.....
Orange Mission	40	10	9	46	4
Newnansville	201	17	113	9	5
Micanopy Mission .....	.....	.....	176	.....	.....
St. John's	58	13	30	1	1
	579	106	608	94	13

Tampa District.

Key West	211	20	65	.....	2
Tampa	55	.....	50	9	1
Manatee	60	.....	40	.....	.....
Hillsboro' Mission	117	56	.....	5	2
Hernando "	83	5	25	.....	.....
Marion	233	26	173	97	1
Cedar Keys	17	69	.....	17	1
Ocala	71	4	49	6	.....
Sumter Mission	150	.....	20	.....	2
	997	180	422	134	9

Recapitulation.

	White Mem's.	White Prob's.	Col'd Mem's.	Col'd Prob's.	Loc'l Pr's.
Tallahassee District.....	1592	98	1495	102	18
Bainbridge "	724	249	714	337	8
Thomasville "	612	213	334	112	12
Madison "	1256	199	764	172	19
St. Mary's "	1181	290	648	195	18
Jacksonville "	579	106	508	94	13
Tampa "	997	180	422	134	9
Total this year.....	6941	1335	4885	1146	97
Total last year.....	6179	1588	4133	780	90
Increase	762		752	366	7
Decrease.....		253			

Ques. 14. What amounts are necessary for the superannuated preachers, and the widows and orphans of preachers, and to make up the deficiencies of those who have not obtained their regular allowance on the circuits?

\$2601.

Ques. 15. What has been collected on the foregoing accounts, and how has it been applied?

Conference Collections,	\$1052	83
Received from Preachers' Fund,	106	69
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	\$1159	52

Applied as follows:

Mahlon Bedell,	\$153	48
T. C. Coleman,	48	51
T. J. Johnson,	18	30
J. F. Andrews,	52	64
J. L. Williams,	17	32
Sister Choice,	67	32
" Stewart,	89	76
" Braddy,	116	23
" Slade,	67	32
" Woody,	121	39
" Rhodes and others,	407	25
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	\$1159	52

Ques. 16. What has been contributed for the support of Missions, what for the publication of Tracts and Sunday-school books, and what to aid the American Bible Society and its auxiliaries?

For Missions,	\$5844	60
Bible Society,	3060	00
Tract Cause,	734	50
Sabbath-schools,	334	33

Ques. 17. Where are the preachers stationed this year?

TALLAHASSEE DISTRICT.

James R. Plummer, P. E.

Tallahassee, James M. Wright.
Quincy, Josephus Anderson, Joseph J. Sealy, Sup'y.
Apalachicola, George W. Fagg.
Leon Circuit, George W. Pratt.
Leon Colored Mission, James H. M. Gardner.
Chair's Mission, Owen B. Standley.
Gadsden Circuit, Erastus B. Duncan.
South Gadsden, Aaron W. Harris.
Newport, James O. Branch.
Wakulla, Valarious C. Cannon.
Simon P. Richardson, Agent for American Bible Society.
James Peeler, Tract Agent.

BAINBRIDGE DISTRICT.

Wm. M. Kennedy, P. E.

Albany, Franklin A. Branch.
Bainbridge, Wm. L. Murphy.
Newton, Isaac A. Towers.
Morgan, Thomas C. Coleman.
Milford, James M. N. Lowe.
Blakely, Robert H. Howren.
Decatur, Thomas A. Carruth.

THOMASVILLE DISTRICT.

Peyton P. Smith, P. E.

Thomasville, Alexander Graham.
Grooversville, Milton C. Smith.
Troupville, Capel Raiford.
Flint River, Frederick R. C. Ellis.
Grand Bay Mission, James W. Jackson.
Isabella Mission, to be supplied.
Alapaha Mission, Amos Davis.
Oclooknee Mission, Theophilus J. Johnson.
Moultrie Mission, Charles P. Murdock.
Reuben H. Luckey, Principal of Fletcher Institute.

MADISON DISTRICT.

John W. Mills, P. E.

Madison Circuit, David L. Kennedy.
Monticello, Samuel Woodberry.
South Madison Mission, Thomas R. Barnett.
Madison Colored Mission, to be supplied.
Aucilla Colored Mission, Wm. W. Griffin.
Santafee, to be supplied.
Hamilton, Wm. K. Turner, Joshua Carraway, Sup'y.
Suwannee Mission, Willis P. O'Kane.
Columbia, Samuel A. M'Cook.
Alligator, John M. Hendry.

ST. MARY'S DISTRICT.

Thomas N. Gardner, P. E.

St. Mary's, James W. Poynts.
Centrevillage and Satilla, Grandison Royster, Francis M. Wilson.
Brunswick Station, Thomas Gardner.

St. Mary's District, (continued.)

Brunswick Circuit, James M. Davis.
Altamaha Mission, *Willis Hall*.
Alabama, John L. Williams.
Holmesville, Robert J. M'Cook, one to be supplied.
Waresboro', Wm. Peeler.
Irwin Mission, Jesse J. Giles.
Ockmulgee, Edward F. Gates.
Clinch Mission, Robert F. Lanier.
St. Mary's River Mission, *Seaborn G. Childs*.

JACKSONVILLE DISTRICT.

Richard M'K. Tydings, P. E.

Jacksonville, John W. Timberlake.
Black Creek, *Wm. Edwards*, Wm. G. M. Quarterman.
Pilatka, Martin V. Wells.
Fernandina, Wm. Davies.
Duvall Mission, James A. W. Johnson.
Orange Mission, Leroy B. Giles.
Volusia, Samuel F. Cobb.

Newnansville, Jasper K. Glover, Joseph E. Darden.
St. John's, Archibald Johnson.
East Florida Seminary, *John C. Ley*.

TAMPA DISTRICT.

Thomas W. Cooper, P. E.

Key West, *Wm. J. Duvall*.
Tampa, *Dennis B. Lyne*.
Manatee, to be supplied.
Hillsboro' Mission, James T. Stockton.
Hernando, James M. Mills.
Marion, *John J. Richards*.
Cedar Keys, Benjamin J. Johnson.
Sumter Mission, Joseph F. Andrews.
John W. M'Crary, transferred to Mississippi Conference.

Ques. 18. Where and when shall our next Conference be held?

At Jacksonville, East Florida.

17.—TEXAS CONFERENCE.

HELD AT GONZALES, TEXAS, December 3-9, 1856.

BISHOP PAINE, *President*; H. S. THRALL, *Secretary*.

QUESTION 1. What preachers are admitted on trial?

ANSWER. Robert P. Thompson, Walter S. South, Orcenith A. Fisher, Thomas P. Ferguson, John Budd, Horatio V. Philpott, William F. Compton, Jackson L. Crabb, William Rees, Jas. M. Stringfield, Buckner Harris, Ulrich Steiner, Joseph B. Perrie, Thomas H. Ball. 14.

Readmitted in elders' orders, Leonard S. Friend, Alexander F. Cox, Franklin C. Wilkes, Pleasant Tackett, Valentine H. Iley, Asbury Davidson. 6.

Ques. 2. Who remain on trial?

John Carpenter, Henry Bauer, Robert W. Pierce, Robert J. Gill, Benjamin A. Keamp, Hiram M. Burrows, Wesley Smith, Hiram M. Glass, Joshua B. Whittenberg, Benjamin F. Perry, Hiram G. Carden. 11.

Ques. 3. Who are admitted into full connection?

*Frederick Vordenbimer, *Thomas P. Buckingham, *August Engel, *John R.

White, Gustavus Elly, *Anthony Warns, Lewis J. Wright, *Augustus C. Fairman. 8.

Ques. 4. Who are the deacons?

Thomas F. Windsor, Fountain P. Ray, Rufus Y. King, Henry D. Hubert, Byron S. Carden, and those admitted and ordained, as above. 11.

Ques. 5. Who have been elected and ordained elders this year?

Benjamin D. Dashiell, Calvin H. Brooks, William G. Foote, Caleb L. Spencer. 4.

Ques. 6. Who have located this year?

George S. Gatewood, William G. Nelms, Thomas J. Gilmore. 3.

Ques. 7. Who are the supernumeraries?

Francis A. M'Shan, Thos. Wooldridge. 2.

Ques. 8. Who are the superannuated or worn-out preachers?

Jesse Hord, John Haynie, Daniel Carl, George Tittle, Bryant L. Peel, Alfred B. F. Kerr. 6.

Ques. 9. Who have been expelled from the Connection this year?

None.

Ques. 10. Who have withdrawn from the Connection this year?

None.

Ques. 11. Are all the preachers blameless in life and conversation?

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

Ques. 12. Who have died this year?

None.

Ques. 13. What numbers are in our Church in the bounds of the Conference?

Galveston District.

	White Mem's.	White Prob's.	Col'd Mem's.	Col'd Prob's.	Loc'l Pr's.
Galveston Station.....	117	25	.....	.....	1
" African Miss.....	.....	.....	70	16	.....
" German Miss.....	72	13	.....	.....	1
Houston Station.....	71	20	120	.....	.....
" German Miss.....	.....	40	.....	.....	.....
Lynchburg Circuit.....	58	17	3	19	2
Union Chapel ".....	114	.....	275	.....	1
Richmond ".....	42	2	53	.....	.....
Columbia and Brazoria...	56	27	100	20	.....
Oyster Creek.....	34	.....	22	4	1
San Bernard.....	33	3	56	5	.....
Matagorda.....	10	2	12	32	.....
	607	149	711	96	6

Rutersville District.

Rutersville Station.....	165	31	44	.....	3
LaGrange ".....	53	15	10	20	2
Navidad Circuit.....	145	88	32	25	5
Brenham ".....	221	85	.....	94	8
Egypt ".....	38	12	36	14	.....
Caldwell ".....	197	35	20	15	8
Cameron ".....	181	65	14	84	3
Port Sullivan Col. Miss...	.....	.....	80	.....	.....
Bastrop Station.....	117	115	54	78	.....
Columbus.....	113	10	5	.....	.....
	1230	456	295	330	29

Huntsville District.

Huntsville Station.....	145	.....	62	.....	3
Cold Spring Circuit.....	66	37	40	53	2
Montgomery ".....	144	23	6	12	4
Madisonville ".....	160	39	.....	.....	5
Washington.....	58	17	80	20	.....
" Col. Mission.....	.....	.....	75	56	.....
Plantersville Circuit.....	128	15	6	15	2
Anderson ".....	81	39	90	18	.....
Chapel Hill Station.....	96	28	60	30	1
Brazos African Mission..	.....	.....	101	.....	.....
	878	203	520	204	17

Springfield District.

Springfield.....	191	51	61	8	4
Wheelock.....	175	54	15	.....	6
Centreville Mission.....	156	74	2	20	4
Fairfield Circuit.....	194	100	34	25	2
Waxahatchie Circuit.....	325	84	57	.....	7
Cedar Mountain.....	273	242	15	5	15
Clear Fork.....	324	85	15	16	1
Hillsborough.....	188	12	5	3	5
	1826	702	204	77	44

Waco District.

	White Mem's.	White Prob's.	Col'd Mem's.	Col'd Prob's.	Loc'l Pr's.
Waco.....	135	.....	16	.....	3
Gatesville.....	157	74	3	8	5
Fort Belknap Mission....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Belton.....	270	89	1	5	5
Georgetown.....	197	49	3	9	5
Hamilton Mission.....	126	25	.....	.....	2
San Suba.....	77	27	1	3	2
	962	264	24	25	22

Austin District.

Austin Station.....	108	39	81	32	2
" Circuit.....	184	100	3	25	3
Bastrop ".....	85	24	21	9	3
San Marcos.....	208	100	33	17	3
Lockhart.....	142	36	48	7	4
Seguin.....	148	89	31	14	4
Cibola.....	46	90	13	16	1
San Antonio.....	49	20	14	12	1
Medina.....	90	45	1	.....	4
Blanco.....	40	9	6	3	3
	900	562	251	135	28

Victoria District.

Victoria and Goliad.....	120	11	78	10	3
Port Lavaca & Indianola.	28	9	7	13	2
Texana Circuit.....	151	27	40	25	4
Hallettsville ".....	164	29	12	33	3
Helena ".....	84	66	4	18	2
Goletto ".....	121	79	10	3	1
Gonzales Station.....	134	37	22	10	5
" Circuit.....	125	45	6	8	1
Neuces Mission.....	30	18	.....	4	.....
Corpus Christi.....	19	2	5	2	1
Guadalupe Col. Miss....	.....	.....	28	100	.....
Brownsville.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
	976	323	212	226	22

German Mission District.

Cypress.....	5	11	.....	.....	.....
Bellville.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Industry.....	59	23	.....	.....	2
Bastrop.....	29	10	.....	.....	.....
San Antonio and New Braunfels.....	68	12	.....	.....	1
Fredericksburg.....	53	1	.....	.....	.....
Llano.....	60	2	.....	.....	.....
Victoria.....	45	.....	.....	.....	.....
	319	59	.....	.....	3

Recapitulation.

Galveston District...	607	149	711	96	6
Rutersville ".....	1230	456	295	330	29
Huntsville ".....	878	203	520	204	17
Springfield ".....	1826	702	204	77	44
Waco.....	962	264	24	25	22
Austin ".....	900	562	251	135	28
Victoria ".....	976	323	212	226	22
German Mission ".....	319	59	.....	.....	3
Total this year.....	7698	2718	2217	1093	171
Total last year.....	6348	2621	1791	839	146
Increase.....	1350	97	426	254	25

Ques. 14. What amounts are necessary for the superannuated preachers, and the widows and orphans of preachers, and to make up the deficiencies of those who have not obtained their regular allowance on the circuits?

\$4895 04.

Ques. 15. What has been collected on the foregoing accounts, and how has it been applied?

Collected,	\$516 95
Applied to superannuated and deficient preachers, widows, and orphans,	\$516 95

Ques. 16. What has been contributed for the support of Missions, what for the publication of Tracts and Sunday-school books, and what to aid the American Bible Society and its auxiliaries?

For Missions,	\$6459 80
Tracts,	
Sunday-school books,	516 75
American Bible Society,	3855 90
Appropriated to Missions,	\$5990

Ques. 17. Where are the preachers stationed this year?

GALVESTON DISTRICT.

Homer S. Thrall, P. E.

Galveston Station, *Wm. H. Seat.*
Galveston Colored Mission, to be supplied.
Houston Station, *James E. Ferguson.*
Lynchburg, to be supplied.
Union Chapel, *Joshua B. Whittenburg.*
Richmond, *Caleb L. Spencer.*
Columbia, *Benjamin D. Dashiell.*
Brazoria, *Hiram G. Carden.*
Oyster Creek, *Byron S. Carden.*
San Felipe, *James M'Leod.*

RUTERSVILLE DISTRICT.

Daniel Morse, P. E.

Rutersville, *Leonard S. Friend.*
LaGrange Station, *Thomas B. Buckingham.*
Navidad Mission, *Allen M. Box.*
Columbus, *John Budd.*
Brenham, *Charles W. Thomas, Thos. Wool-
dridge, Sup'y.*
Egypt Circuit and Colored Mission, *Wm. G.
Foote, Thomas B. Ferguson.*
Matagorda, *Robert P. Thompson.*
San Bernard, *Robert J. Gill.*
Hallettsville, *David W. Fly.*

HUNTSVILLE DISTRICT.

*Wm. C. Lewis, P. E., and Agent for Andrew
Female College.*

Huntsville Station, *Andrew Davis.*
Cold Spring, *Edward F. Thwing.*
Montgomery, *Calvin H. Brooks.*
Madisonville, *Lewis J. Wright, Francis A.
M'Shan, Sup'y.*
Anderson, *Benjamin F. Perry.*
Plantersville, *James H. Addison.*
Washington, *James M. Wesson.*
Chapel Hill and Caney Chapel, *Lewis B.
Whipple.*

Brazos African Mission, *John H. Davidson.*
Andrew Female College, *Thomas H. Ball, Jos.
B. Perry.*
Soule University, *James M. Follansbee, R. W.
Kennon, Agent.*

SPRINGFIELD DISTRICT.

Mordecai Yell, P. E.

Springfield Circuit, *Wm. F. Hubert.*
Marlin Mission, *Robert N. Drake.*
Centreville, *Hiram M. Glass.*
Fairfield, *George W. Burrows.*
Waxahatchie, *Henry W. South.*
Corsicana, *Walter S. South.*
Boonville, *Joseph D. Moore.*

WACO DISTRICT.

Josiah W. Whipple, P. E.

Waco, *Franklin C. Wilkes, and Agent for
Waco Female Institute.*
Belton, *John Carpenter.*
Georgetown Mission, *Robert G. Rawley.*
Hamilton Mission, *James Rice.*
Cameron, *Valentine H. Iley.*
Port Sullivan African Mission, *Joseph P.
Sneed.*
Caldwell, *Sblomon S. Yarborough.*

VICTORIA DISTRICT.

Oscar M. Addison, P. E.

Victoria, *Joshua H. Shapard.*
Goliad, *Alexander F. Cox, and Agent for
Paine Female Institute.*
Port Lavaca, *James W. Cooley.*
Texana, *Henderson S. Lafferty, William F.
Compton.*
Clinton, *Thomas F. Windsor.*
Corpus Christi, *Orcenith A. Fisher.*
Refugio, *Wm. Rees.*
Uvalde Mission and Live Oaks, one to be
supplied, *James M. Stringfield.*

SAN ANTONIO DISTRICT.

Asbury Davidson, P. E.

San Antonio Station, *Horatio V. Philpott.*
Medina, *Augustus C. Fairman.*
Cibolo, *Wm. P. Reed.*
Seguin, *Job M. Baker.*
Gonzales Station, *Ivey H. Cox.*
Gonzales Circuit, *Buckner Harris.*
Helena Mission, *Preston W. Hobbs.*
{ Kerrville Circuit, *Robert W. Pierce.*
{ Blanco, one to be supplied.

AUSTIN DISTRICT.

John W. Phillips, P. E.

Austin Station, *James W. Shipman.*
Austin Circuit, *Hiram M. Burrows.*
Austin City Mission, to be supplied.
Bastrop Station, *Gideon W. Cottingham, and
Agent for Bastrop Academy.*

Austin District, (continued.)

Cedar Creek, *John C. Kolbe.*
 San Marcos, *Wm. A. Smith.*
 Lockhart, *Henry D. Hubert.*
 San Saba, *Wesley Smith.*

FORT WORTH DISTRICT.

James G. Johnson, P. E.

Clear Creek, *Pleasant Tackett.*
 Fort Worth Mission, *Fountain P. Ray.*
 Meridian, *John R. White.*
 Gatesville, *Benjamin A. Keamp.*
 Hillsborough, *Jackson L. Crabb.*
 Fort Belknap, to be supplied.
 Brazos Station Indian Mission, to be supplied.

TEXAS GERMAN DISTRICT.

John W. DeVilbiss, P. E.

Galveston, *Henry P. Young, Peter Möelling,*
 Editor of *Evangelische Apologete.*

Houston, *Anthony Warns, August Engel.*
 Industry, *John C. Kopp.*
 Bastrop, *Edward Schneider.*
 Victoria, *Gustavus Elly.*
 New Braunfels, *Frederick Vordenbimer.*
 Fredericksburg and Comfort, *Henry Bauer.*
 Llano, *Charles A. Groté.*
 San Antonio, *Ulrich Steiner.*

Robert Alexander, Agent of the American Bible Society, and member of Belton Quarterly Conference.

Rufus Y. King, Tract Agent, and member of Caldwell Quarterly Conference.

John S. M'Gee, transferred to Louisville Conference.

Ques. 18. Where and when shall our next Conference be held?

At Waco, Texas, December 3, 1857.

18.—EAST TEXAS CONFERENCE.

HELD AT PARIS, TEXAS, *November 5-10, 1856.*

BISHOP PAINE, *President*; JAMES T. P. IRVINE, *Secretary.*

QUESTION 1. What preachers are admitted on trial?

ANSWER. Jonathan C. Smith, Matthew H. Neely, William J. Joice. 3.

Reädmitted in elders' orders, Andrew Cumming. 1.

Ques. 2. Who remain on trial?

Isaac W. Overall, Thomas W. Rogers, Isaac B. Walker, Isaac Alexander, William H. Crawford, John F. Lard, Randle Odum, Charles L. Hamill, John Stubblefield, Martin Matthews. 10.

Ques. 3. Who are admitted into full connection?

*West D. Lovelady, *Laban B. Hickman, Joseph W. H. Hamill, *Lewis C. Crouse, *Wm. A. Stovall, *Abner Brown, *Solomon T. Bridges, Milton H. Porter, William E. Bates. 9.

Ques. 4. Who are the deacons?

Marshall C. Simpson, Archibald C. M'Dougald, Alexander W. Goodgion, Calvin J. Cocke, James A. Scruggs, John

M'Millan, John W. Chalk, and those admitted and ordained, as above. 13.

Ques. 5. Who have been elected and ordained elders this year?

William M. M'Carty.

Ques. 6. Who have located this year?

George W. Lentz, West D. Lovelady. 2.

Ques. 7. Who are the supernumeraries?

John N. Hamill, William E. George, Samuel D. Sansom, Michael F. Cole. 4.

Ques. 8. Who are the superannuated or worn-out preachers?

Alex. Henkle, Samuel C. Box, Francis Wilson, Felix G. Fawcett, George West, Enoch P. Chisholm. 6.

Ques. 9. Who have been expelled from the Connection this year?

None.

Ques. 10. Who have withdrawn from the Connection this year?

None.

Ques. 11. Are all the preachers blameless in life and conversation?

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

Ques. 12. Who have died this year?

Henry Fullingin. 1.

HENRY FULLINGIN was born in North Carolina, Nov. 18, 1788. When he was seven years of age, his father removed to Georgia, and settled in the Cherokee Nation, where he received a limited education. In 1812, he served his country in the Creek War. He was married in 1816; and on September 17, 1817, professed religion, and joined the Methodist Episcopal Church. He acted as class-leader several years; then as an exhorter. Having moved into Benton county, Alabama, he was there licensed to preach, and, when eligible, was elected to deacons' orders, and ordained by Bishop Paine. He emigrated to Texas in 1850; settled in Lamar county; was admitted on trial in the East Texas Conference in 1852; and was appointed to Boston Circuit. At the close of this year, he was ordained elder by Bishop Paine, and was reappointed to Boston Circuit. He was admitted into full connection at the close of this year, and labored the following year on the Sulphur Fork Mission. God greatly blessed his efforts on this Mission. The following year he was put upon the superannuated list, in consequence of debility, brought on by toil and exposure. This relation he sustained until his death. His last illness was attended with great sufferings, all which he bore with Christian patience and resignation. He expressed strong confidence in God his Saviour, and committed all to his care. His death was more than peaceful—it was triumphant. Hence, although we sorrow, yet we "sorrow not as those who have no hope." We have lost a loved fellow-laborer; but he has gained the companionship of the pure and the blest, and is with God forever.

Ques. 13. What numbers are in our Church in the bounds of the Conference?

San Augustine District.

	White Mem's.	White Prob's.	Col'd Mem's.	Col'd Prob's.	Lec'l Pr's.
San Augustine Circuit...	162	11	42	.....	1
Shelbyville Mission.....	191	26	2	.....	1
Panola Circuit	290	20	22	.....	2
Henderson "	318	75	102	36	3
Salem "	189	40	20	.....	4
Nacogdoches "	374	30	19	.....	2
Elysian Fields "	128	35	8	.....	.....
	1652	237	215	36	13

Marshall District.

	White Mem's.	White Prob's.	Col'd Mem's.	Col'd Prob's.	Lec'l Pr's.
Marshall Station.....	140	.....	.....	.....	1
Harrison Circuit and African Colored Mission..	371	44	273	82	4
Jefferson Station.....	43	28	50	10	2
Linden Circuit.....	243	90	77	24	6
Coffeeville "	222	74	16	14	2
Gilmer Station.....	77	48	10	36	.....
Upshur Circuit.....	215	28	17	.....	2
Dangerfield Circuit.....	113	91	23	18	4
	1424	403	466	184	21

Clarksville District.

	White Mem's.	White Prob's.	Col'd Mem's.	Col'd Prob's.	Lec'l Pr's.
Clarksville Circuit.....	114	112	17	3	7
Boston "	114	46	4	2	1
Red River African Miss..	.....	.....	59	18	.....
Paris Circuit.....	427	48	87	13	5
Bonham "	365	42	17	2	6
Greenville "	149	29	5	.....	9
Sulphur "	227	58	4	4	6
Mt. Pleasant Circuit.....	482	161	17	39	8
	1878	496	210	81	42

Dallas District.

	White Mem's.	White Prob's.	Col'd Mem's.	Col'd Prob's.	Lec'l Pr's.
Dallas Circuit.....	560	96	29	.....	17
Grayson "	181	33	.....	.....	4
Kaufman and Millwood Mission.....	266	112	12	13	2
Alton Mission.....	174	41	6	.....	3
Athens "	185	59	25	3	2
Garden Valley Mission...	257	57	.....	.....	3
Gainesville "	102	32	3	.....	1
Quitman "	142	35	16	.....	3
	1867	465	91	16	35

Palestine District.

	White Mem's.	White Prob's.	Col'd Mem's.	Col'd Prob's.	Lec'l Pr's.
Palestine and Larissa Station.....	115	18	.....	.....	.....
Crockett Circuit.....	200	134	34	7	7
Cherokee "	276	44	7	11	4
Jacksonville "	454	176	65	.....	13
Tyler "	476	200	160	100	16
Knoxville Mission.....	48	19	1	21	.....
Anderson Circuit.....	257	63	23	.....	4
Rusk Station.....	82	7	16	.....	2
	1908	661	306	139	46

Woodville District.

	White Mem's.	White Prob's.	Col'd Mem's.	Col'd Prob's.	Lec'l Pr's.
Woodville Mission.....	55	42	18	6	1
Marion "	71	51	1	2	.....
Sumter "	62	77	9	.....	1
Livingston Circuit.....	118	27	25	26	4
Liberty "	63	14	104	.....	1
Madison "	14	10	26	25	1
Newton "	173	70	18	20	9
Jasper "	153	40	24	20	2
	707	331	225	99	19

Recapitulation.

	White Mem's.	White Prob's.	Col'd Mem's.	Col'd Prob's.	Lec'l Pr's.
San Augustine District...	1652	237	215	36	13
Marshall "	1424	403	466	184	21
Clarksville "	1878	496	210	81	42
Dallas "	1867	465	91	16	35
Palestine "	1908	661	306	139	46
Woodville "	707	331	225	99	19
Total this year	9436	2593	1513	555	176
Total last year.....	9882	2775	1537	413	154
Increase				142	22
Decrease	446	182	24		

[The decrease exhibited above is believed to be owing to the defective reports made by the preachers.]

Ques. 14. What amounts are necessary for the superannuated preachers, and the widows and orphans of preachers, and to make up the deficiencies of those who have not obtained their regular allowance on the circuits?

\$6587 37.

Ques. 15. What has been collected on the foregoing accounts, and how has it been applied?

Collected, \$605 00

Applied to superannuated preachers, widows, and orphans.

Ques. 16. What has been contributed for the support of Missions, what for the publication of Tracts and Sunday-school books, and what to aid the American Bible Society and its auxiliaries?

For Missions, \$3137 35

Tracts, 709 60

Appropriated to Missions, \$3000

Ques. 17. Where are the preachers stationed this year?

SAN AUGUSTINE DISTRICT.

Wm. K. Wilson, P. E.

San Augustine, *John C. Woolam.*

Shelbyville Mission, *Wm. H. Crawford.*

Panola, *Nathan S. Johnson.*

Henderson, *Neill Brown.*

Salem, *Wm. Craig.*

Nacogdoches, *Samuel A. Williams, Martin Matthews.*

Elysian Fields, *David M. Stovall.*

MARSHALL DISTRICT.

James T. P. Irvine, P. E.

Marshall, *John W. Fields.*

Harrison and African Colored Mission, *Francis M. Stovall, Wm. J. Joice.*

Jefferson, *Charles L. Hamill.*

Coffeetown, *Henderson D. Palmer.*

Gilmer, *Isaac Alexander.*

Upshur, *Alexander W. Goodgion.*

Dangerfield, *Benjamin M. Scrivener, John K. Hamill, Sup'y.*

Quitman, *Jonathan C. Smith.*

CLARKSVILLE DISTRICT.

James R. Bellamy, P. E.

Boston, *Samuel Robins.*

Clarksville, *Harvey W. Cumming, Matthew H. Neely.*

Bowie Colored Mission, *Andrew Cumming.*

Paris, *Archibald C. M'Dougald, Calvin J. Cocke.*

Bonham, *Martin C. Robertson.*

Greenville, to be supplied.

Sulphur, *John F. Lard.*

Mount Pleasant, *Joseph W. H. Hamill.*

Linden, *Solomon T. Bridges, Michael F. Cole, Sup'y.*

DALLAS DISTRICT.

John B. Fullis, P. E.

Dallas, *Levi R. Dennis.*

Sherman Mission, *Wm. E. Bates.*

Kaufman, *James A. Scruggs.*

Alton, *Wm. A. Stovall.*

Canton, *John M'Millan.*

Rock Wall, *John W. Chalk.*

Border Mission, *Isaac B. Walker.*

PALESTINE DISTRICT.

Napoleon W. Burkes, P. E.

Palestine and Larissa, *Robert S. Finley.*

Crockett, *Wm. P. Sansom.*

Cherokee, *Acton Young.*

Jacksonville, *Marshall C. Simpson, Wm. E.*

George, Sup'y.

Tyler, *Samuel Lynch.*

Tyler African Mission, to be supplied.

Anderson, *Robert Crawford.*

Anderson Colored Mission, *Alfred L. Kavanaugh.*

Rusk, *Thomas W. Rogers.*

Athens, *Wm. M' Carty, Samuel D. Sansom, Sup'y.*

WOODVILLE DISTRICT.

Jefferson Shook, P. E.

Woodville, *Lewis C. Crouse.*

Marion Mission, *Isaac W. Overall.*

Sumter Mission, *Randle Odum.*

Livingston Mission, *James G. Harden.*

Liberty, *Laban B. Hickman.*

Madison, *Abner Brown.*

Newton, *John Stubblefield.*

Jasper, *James L. Angel.*

C. C. Gillespie, Editor of Texas Christian Advocate, and member of Liberty Quarterly Conference.

Hugh B. Hamilton, Tract Agent, and member of Tyler Quarterly Conference.

Milton H. Porter, Principal of Starville Female High School.

Preston W. Hobbs, transferred to Texas Conference.

Ques. 18. Where and when shall our next Conference be held?

At Rusk, Cherokee Co., Texas.

19.—ARKANSAS CONFERENCE.

HELD AT BATESVILLE, ARK., Oct. 29–Nov. 3, 1856.

BISHOP PIERCE, *President*; JOHN S. M'CARVER, *Secretary*.

QUESTION 1. What preachers are admitted on trial?

ANSWER. William R. Foster, Marion D. Steel, James M. Rogers, John M. Deason, James L. Denton, John P. Maxwell, Wiley G. Pershall, James C. Beckham, John A. Roach. 9.

Reädmitted, Burwell Lee, John H. Mann. 2.

Ques. 2. Who remain on trial?

William H. Walton, Jas. M. Burkhardt, Benjamin F. Hall, Frederick S. Wood. 4.

Ques. 3. Who are admitted into full connection?

*Isaac L. Hicks, *Jno. B. Brown, *Henry H. Hankins, *Horatio O. Perry. 4.

Ques. 4. Who are the deacons?

James D. Adney, Jesse Griffin, David N. Bowles, James Mackey, William H. Gilliam, Richard H. Dodson, and those admitted and ordained, as above. 10.

Ques. 5. Who have been elected and ordained elders this year?

George A. Dannelly, William H. Wood, Robert G. Brittain, John S. M'Carver, David H. Carithers, Hugh A. Barnett, Franklin W. Thacker. 7.

Ques. 6. Who have located this year?

Ambrose M. Barrington, Henry J. Newell, Richard F. Colburn. 3.

Ques. 7. Who are the supernumeraries?

None.

Ques. 8. Who are the superannuated or worn-out preachers?

Stevens Farrish, Elijah F. M'Nabb. 2.

Ques. 9. Who have been expelled from the Connection this year?

Robert H. Neely. 1.

Ques. 10. Who have withdrawn from the Connection this year?

None.

Ques. 11. Are all the preachers blameless in life and conversation?

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

Ques. 12. Who have died this year?

None.

Ques. 13. What numbers are in our Church in the bounds of the Conference?

Helena District.

	White Mem's.	White Prob's.	Col'd Mem's.	Col'd Prob's.	Loc'l Pr's.
Helena Station.....	54	6	50	10	1
" Circuit.....	290	36	47	5	2
Mt. Vernon Circuit.....	200	40	.....	.....	2
Lawrenceville ".....	218	56	38	30	1
Old Town ".....	35	33	5	71	1
Walnut Bend ".....	75	91	48	36	1
Oceola ".....	345	45	19	.....	3
Marion ".....	200	33	32	.....	.....
	1417	340	239	152	11

Jacksonport District.

Jacksonport Station.....	14	7	.....	.....	.....
" Circuit.....	147	7	.....	.....	.....
Pocahontas ".....	267	29	2	3	5
Powhatan ".....	292	3	.....	.....	4
Augusta ".....	250	.....	25	.....	3
Gainsville ".....	281	19	.....	.....	4
Greensboro' ".....	150	19	.....	.....	1
Bolivar ".....	170	30	49	31	5
	1571	114	76	34	22

Batesville District.

Batesville Station.....	30	15	8
" Circuit.....	330	60	7	.....	5
Greenbrier ".....	370	34	30	20	5
Searcy ".....	251	44	.....	.....	3
Clinton Mission.....	321	4	48	.....	1
Salem ".....	71	16	3	.....	3
Lebanon ".....	182	45	2	.....	1
Richwoods ".....	235	36	8	1	2
Strawberry Circuit.....	397	30	23	.....	5
	2187	269	136	29	25

Clarksville District.

Clarksville Circuit.....	257	16	44	4	1
Dover ".....	346	33	2	.....	9
Waldron ".....	102	9	.....	.....	3
Fort Smith Station.....	43	159	10	6	.....
Van Buren ".....	67	.....	50	.....	1
Ozark Circuit.....	294	12	.....	.....	4
Dardanelle Circuit.....	340	23	13	.....	3
Lewisburg ".....	234	34	.....	.....	3
Grand Prairie Mission...	148	110	.....	.....	3
	1831	396	119	10	27

Fayetteville District.

	White Mem's.	White Prob's.	Col'd Mem's.	Col'd Prob's.	Loc'l Pr's.
Fayetteville Circuit.....	380	17	61	.....	6
Boonsboro' "	344	23	25	.....	5
Bentonville "	337	84	17	.....	7
Huntsville Mission.....	200	29	7	.....	5
Carrolton Circuit.....	379	76	6	1	10
Yellville "	371	60	3	.....	5
Jasper Mission.....	120	10	1	.....	3
White River Mission.....	120	.....	.....	.....	4
	2251	299	120	1	45

Recapitulation.

Helena District.....	1417	340	239	152	11
Jacksonport "	1571	114	76	84	22
Batesville "	2187	269	136	29	25
Clarksville "	1831	396	119	10	27
Fayetteville "	2251	299	120	1	45
Total this year	9257	1418	690	226	130
Total last year.....	10,213	.....	982	.....	125
Increase.....		1418		226	6
Decrease.....	956		292		

[The probationers were not distinguished from the members in last year's Minutes.]

Ques. 14. What amounts are necessary for the superannuated preachers, and the widows and orphans of preachers, and to make up the deficiencies of those who have not obtained their regular allowance on the circuits?

\$2507 95.

Ques. 15. What has been collected on the foregoing accounts, and how has it been applied?

Collected, \$126 65

Applied as follows:

To Sister Owen, \$76 65

Stevens Farrish, 40 00

Incidental expenses, 5 00

Ques. 16. What has been contributed for the support of Missions, what for the publication of Tracts and Sunday-school books, and what to aid the American Bible Society and its auxiliaries?

For Missions, \$3125 05

Sabbath-schools, 229 00

Ques. 17. Where are the preachers stationed this year?

HELENA DISTRICT.

Stephen Carlisle, P. E.

Helena, Wm. H. Gilliam.
Helena Circuit, James Mackey.
Helena African Mission, Wm. H. Walton.
Mt. Vernon, *Robert G. Brittain.*
Mt. Vernon African Mission, to be supplied.
Lawrenceville, *John H. Rice.*
Walnut Bend, Richard H. Dodson.
Marion, Benjamin F. Hall.
Oceola, *Franklin W. Thacker.*
Laconia Mission, Henry H. Hankins.

JACKSONPORT DISTRICT.

John J. Roberts, P. E.

Jacksonport, *John Rhyne.*
Jacksonport Circuit, *Thomas B. Hilburn.*
Powhatan, James M. Rogers.
Pocahontas, *Benoni Harris.*
Gainesville Mission, David N. Bowles.
Greensboro' Mission, Isaac L. Hicks.
Bolivar, Horatio O. Perry.
Augusta, *James D. Andrews.*
Augusta African Miss., *Jonathan D. Stockton.*

BATESVILLE DISTRICT.

John Cowle, P. E.

Batesville, *Absalom H. Kennedy.*
Batesville Circuit, *George A. Dannelly.*
Grand Glaize, Jno. A. Roach, Jno. M. Deason.
Searcy, *John H. Mann.*
Clinton Mission, James M. Burkhart.
Richwoods Mission, *Hugh A. Barnett.*
Salem Mission, Wm. R. Foster.
Lebanon Mission, *Cornelius M' Guire.*
Strawberry, John B. Brown.
Soulesbury Institute, to be supplied.

CLARKSVILLE DISTRICT.

Lewis P. Lively, P. E.

Clarksville, James L. Denton.
Dover, *David H. Carithers.*
Louisburg, Edward T. Jones.
Waldron, to be supplied.
Fort Smith, *Richard W. Hammett.*
Van Buren, *Burwell Lee.*
Ozark, Wiley G. Pershall.
Dardanelle, James D. Adney.
Grand Prairie Mission, *Jesse Griffin.*
Frederick S. Wood, President of Crawford Institute.

FAYETTEVILLE DISTRICT.

Thomas Stanford, P. E.

Fayetteville, *John S. M' Carver.*
Boonsboro', *Walter T. Thornberry.*
Bentonville, Marion D. Steel.
White River Mission, *Jordan Banks.*
Huntsville and Carrolton, *Green Boyd.*
Yellville, *Wm. H. Wood.*
Newton Mission, James C. Beckham.
Maysville Mission, John P. Maxwell.
John M. Steel, Agent for the American Bible Society.
Jacob W. Shook, Agent for the Tract Society.
John S. Matthis, transferred to East Texas Conference.
Jesse S. M' Callister, transferred to Wachits Conference.
James E. Cobb, transferred to St. Louis Conference, and appointed to Lexington.

Ques. 18. Where and when shall our next Conference be held?

At Jacksonport, Ark.

20.—WACHITA CONFERENCE.

HELD AT PRINCETON, ARK., November 12-17, 1856.

BISHOP PIERCE, *President*; JESSE S. M'CALLISTER, *Secretary*.

QUESTION 1. What preachers are admitted on trial?

ANSWER. John W. Mann, Franklin F. Bond, Benjamin Kellogg, Anderson Putman, Archelaus Turrentine, Jas. M. Goodwin, Thos. B. Atterbury, Malcolm Turner, Robert L. Jones, Elijah Smoot. 10.

Ques. 2. Who remain on trial?

Edwin Ware, Marshall H. Wells, Littleberry Southerland, Joshua J. Kennedy. 4.

Ques. 3. Who are admitted into full connection?

*Littleton H. Johnson, *David W. Eppes, *Enoch L. Gaddie, *Elijah Crowson, Wm. B. Baxter, a deacon, William Winbourn, an elder. 6.

Ques. 4. Who are the deacons?

William J. Scott, James E. Caldwell, Richard F. Withers, Harleston R. Withers, John F. Carr, and those admitted and ordained, as above. 10.

Ques. 5. Who have been elected and ordained elders this year?

Burton Williams, Thomas Hunt, John M. Bradley, Duncan G. L. M'Kenzie, Alexander L. P. Green. 5.

Ques. 6. Who have located this year?

Silas Spurrier, Benjamin R. Truly, Wm. C. Young. 3.

Ques. 7. Who are the supernumeraries?

John C. L. Aiken, Marcus C. Manly, Joseph Turrentine. 3.

Ques. 8. Who are the superannuated or worn-out preachers?

John Harris, Jacob Whitesides. 2.

Ques. 9. Who have been expelled from the Connection this year?

Rollin H. Carter. 1.

Ques. 10. Who have withdrawn from the Connection this year?

None.

Ques. 11. Are all the preachers blameless in life and conversation?

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

Ques. 12. Who have died this year?

None.

Ques. 13. What numbers are in our Church in the bounds of the Conference?

Little Rock District.

	White Mem's.	White Prob's.	Col'd Mem's.	Col'd Prob's.	Loc'l Pr's.
Little Rock Station.....	109	12	219	4	1
Bayou Metre Circuit.....	158	42	37	.....	2
Benton ".....	392	39	45	.....	4
Rockport ".....	148	18	.....	.....	2
Saline Mission.....	168	27	13	.....	1
Perryville ".....	126	96	1	10	4
Brownsville Circuit.....	301	66	.....	.....	3
	1402	300	315	14	17

Washington District.

	54	34	30	24	.....
Washington Station.....	54	34	30	24	.....
Hempstead Circuit.....	290	85	40	1	2
Blue Bayou ".....	480	98	31	1	7
Arkadelphia ".....	245	68	31	.....	12
Montgomery ".....	277	31	5	.....	5
Dallas Mission.....	130	50	4	1	4
Parreclifta Circuit.....	150	90	50	40	3
Richmond Mission.....	20	18	.....	.....	.....
	1646	474	191	67	33

Camden District.

	84	31	54	41	.....
Camden Station.....	84	31	54	41	.....
Wachita Circuit.....	260	82	.....	.....	4
" African Miss.....	.....	.....	140	73	.....
Eldorado Circuit.....	220	65	100	.....	1
Lapeal ".....	279	56	174	50	4
Lewisville Mission.....	75	45	.....	70	1
Magnolia Circuit.....	480	42	30	10	9
Red River Mission.....	57	36	56	76	1
	1455	357	554	320	20

Pine Bluff District.

	70	60	35	.....	.....
Pine Bluff Station.....	70	60	35	.....	.....
Jefferson Circuit.....	39	35	28	13	.....
Richland Mission.....	4	6	62	50	.....
Plumb Bayou Circuit.....	94	19	11	8	5
Swan Lake ".....	4	7	51	10	.....
Lehi ".....	333	252	33	5	9
Princeton ".....	600	105	161	77	9
Hampton ".....	118	54	23	30	4
Warren ".....	380	65	128	37	4
	1642	603	532	230	31

* Ordained deacon this year.

Monticello District.

	White Mem's.	White Prob's.	Col'd Mem's.	Col'd Prob's.	Loc'l Pr's.
Monticello Circuit.....	229	91	24	42	8
Lacy ".....	150	28	22	6	8
Hamburg ".....	93	65	55	.....	1
Napoleon ".....	17	134	52	.....	2
Auburn ".....	16	4	39	38	.....
Columbia ".....	132	.....	127	.....	3
Bayou Mayson.....	82	25	5	.....	.....
Arkansas	126	26	5	.....	3
	845	373	329	86	25

Recapitulation.

Little Rock District.....	1402	300	315	14	17
Washington ".....	1646	474	191	67	33
Camden ".....	1455	357	554	320	20
Pine Bluff ".....	1642	603	532	230	31
Monticello ".....	845	373	329	86	25
Total this year.....	6990	2107	1921	717	126
Total last year.....	6511	1683	1241	685	126
Increase	479	424	680	32	.....

Ques. 14. What amounts are necessary for the superannuated preachers, and the widows and orphans of preachers, and to make up the deficiencies of those who have not obtained their regular allowance on the circuits?

\$2075 65.

Ques. 15. What has been collected on the foregoing accounts, and how has it been applied?

Collected, \$473 08

Applied to superannuated preachers, widows, and orphans, and to deficient preachers.

Ques. 16. What has been contributed for the support of Missions, what for the publication of Tracts and Sunday-school books, and what to aid the American Bible Society and its auxiliaries?

For Missions, \$4360 00
 Bibles, 2321 00
 Tracts, 911 00
 Sunday-schools, 190 25

Ques. 17. Where are the preachers stationed this year?

LITTLE ROCK DISTRICT.

Russell M. Morgan, P. E.

Little Rock, Harleston R. Withers.
 Little Rock African Mission, to be supplied.
 Bayou Metre, Enoch L. Gaddie.
 Benton, Wm. J. Scott.
 Millcreek, *Lewis S. Marshall.*
 Rockport, *Fountain Brown.*
 Saline Mission, Littleton H. Johnson.
 Perryville, Thomas Hunt.
 Brownsville, James E. Caldwell, Franklin F. Bond.

WASHINGTON DISTRICT.

Wm. Moores, P. E.

Washington, *Duncan L. G. M'Kenzie.*
 Hempstead, *Samuel Morris, Joseph Turrentine,*
 Sup'y.
 Blue Bayou, *Wm. J. M'Farlane, A. Avery,*
 Sup'y.
 Arkadelphia, *Joseph M. Stevenson.*
 Caddo, *Thomas B. Atterbury.*
 Mt. Ida, *Joshua Kennedy.*
 Dallas, *Elijah Smoot.*
 Parreclifta, *Hezekiah W. Balch.*

CAMDEN DISTRICT.

Jerome B. Annis, P. E.

Camden, *Alexander B. Winfield.*
 Wachita and African Mission, *Bazaleel C. Weir, Wm. B. Baxter.*
 Eldorado, *John M. Bradley, Benj. Kellogg.*
 Lapeal, *Jesse W. Owen, John C. L. Aikin, Sup'y.*
 Magnolia, *James P. Hulse, Malcolm Turner.*
 Louisville, *Marshall H. Wells.*
 Red River Mission, *Robert M. Kirby.*

PINE BLUFF DISTRICT.

Augustus R. Winfield, P. E.

Pine Bluff, *Alexander L. P. Green.*
 Jefferson, *John F. Carr.*
 Jefferson African Mission, to be supplied.
 Richland Mission, *Archelaus Turrentine,*
 Plumb Bayou, *Wm. T. Anderson.*
 Swan Lake Mission, *Littleberry Southerland,*
 Robert L. Jones.
 Lehi, *Richard F. Withers.*
 Princeton, *James M. Goodwin.*
 Hampton, *Wm. Winbourn.*
 Warren, *Elijah Crowson.*
Benjamin Watson, Principal of Tulip Female Seminary.
Jesse S. M'Callister, Professor in Tulip Female Seminary.

MONTICELLO DISTRICT.

John H. Blakely, P. E.

Monticello, *Peter Hasskew.*
 Lacy, *Anderson Putman.*
 Hamburg, *John Pryor.*
 Napoleon Mission, *Edwin W. Ware, Marcus C. Manty, Sup'y.*
 Auburn, *David W. Eppes.*
 Lake Village, *Burton Williams, John W. Mann.*
 De Witt, *John J. Crouch.*
Andrew Hunter, Agent for the American Bible Society.
Charles P. Turrentine, Agent for the Tract Society.
Wm. P. Radcliffe, Agent for Camden Female College.

Ques. 18. Where and when shall our next Conference be held?
 At Little Rock, Ark.

21.—PACIFIC CONFERENCE.

HELD AT SACRAMENTO, *November 5–11, 1856.*

BISHOP KAVANAUGH, *President*; OSCAR P. FITZGERALD, *Secretary.*

QUESTION 1. What preachers are admitted on trial?

ANSWER. Horatio N. Compton, Jacob Gruelle, Thos. Brown, James Kelsay. 4.

Reādmittēd, E. B. Lockley, Levi C. Adams. 2.

Ques. 2. Who remain on trial?

M. Maupin, E. G. Cannon, J. G. Shelton, J. G. Johnson. 4.

Ques. 3. Who are admitted into full connection?

R. A. Latimer, J. C. Stewart, John T. Cox, R. C. Martin. 4.

Ques. 4. Who are the deacons?

O. P. Fitzgerald, Thos. C. Barton, Jas. W. Stahl, and those admitted and ordained, as above. 7.

Ques. 5. Who have been elected and ordained elders this year?

Franklin G. Gray. 1.

Ques. 6. Who have located this year?

P. O. Clayton. 1.

Ques. 7. Who are the supernumeraries? None.

Ques. 8. Who are the superannuated or worn-out preachers?

W. A. Simmons. 1.

Ques. 9. Who have been expelled from the Connection this year?

None.

Ques. 10. Who have withdrawn from the Connection this year?

None.

Ques. 11. Are all the preachers blameless in life and conversation?

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

Ques. 12. Who have died this year?

John W. Ellis. 1.

JOHN WESLEY ELLIS was born in Cartaret county, North Carolina, August 18, 1819: emigrated with his parents at an early age to Alabama, where, in his fourteenth year, he was happily converted to God. At the age of twenty, he was licensed by Bishop Andrew as a local preacher in the Methodist Episcopal

Church, and, two years after, received on trial as a travelling preacher in the Alabama Conference, where he labored acceptably and with much usefulness until January, 1855, when he was transferred to the Pacific. The committee regret that the facts in their possession are insufficient to furnish such a notice as they could desire. From the published Minutes, as far as they have had access to them, they learn that he was admitted into full connection in the Alabama Conference in January, 1846, and was subsequently stationed upon the following works, viz., Greenville Circuit, Haynesville and Lowndesboro', Big Swamp Colored Mission, two years; Jacksonville, Autauga, Cedar Creek, Tuskegee, and Chambers. In January, 1855, he was transferred by Bishop Andrew to the Pacific Conference, and stationed upon the Mariposa and Quartzburg Circuit, where he was instrumental in the hand of God in the salvation of souls. At the recent session of our Conference, he was appointed to the Los Angeles Circuit, to which, in due time, he repaired. On Tuesday evening, March 26, he was attacked with a chill; gradually grew worse, until Saturday evening, the 30th, when he calmly fell asleep, assuring those around him that he feared not death—that he should sleep in Christ. Of the early experience of our beloved brother, it may not be improper to mention one circumstance: he was converted at a camp-meeting, at night. The next day, while in the tent of a brother, praying for a clearer evidence of his acceptance with God, and for the fulness of his salvation, he was most powerfully blessed, and was extraordinarily impressed with the goodness of God in the remedial plan; and felt that God had called him to publish this salvation to a ruined world. But, being young and inexperienced—only fourteen years of age—he pleaded his youth and inability, and did not enter upon the active duties of the ministry until his twenty-second year. Brother Ellis was a sweet-spirited, Christian gentleman. As a preacher, he was clear, scriptural, and strong; a New Testament preacher, impressing his audience with the necessity of a present salvation. When some of his friends in Alabama attempted to dissuade him from his contemplated transfer to the Pacific, and told him that he would die here, he calmly replied, "I can shout my way to heaven as easily from the Pacific as from

the Atlantic." Thus lived and died our brother, leaving a wife and two children to mourn the loss of an affectionate husband and kind father.

Ques. 13. What numbers are in our Church in the bounds of the Conference?

San Francisco District.

	White Mem's.	White Prob's.	Col'd Mem's.	Local Pr's.
San Francisco.....	20	.....	.....	.....
Contra Costa.....	33	12	1	2
San José and Santa Clara.....	47	2	.....	.....
Gilderoy.....	103	17	.....	.....
Los Angeles.....	42	8	1	.....
Petaluma.....	26	4	.....	.....
Bodega.....	113	.....	2	3
Sonoma.....	57	45	.....	2
	446	88	4	7

Sacramento District.

Sacramento Station.....	41	1	.....	1
" Circuit.....	14	15	.....	.....
Nevada.....	24	2	.....	.....
Grass Valley.....	18	6	.....	1
Iowa City.....	23	13	.....	1
Georgetown.....	27	8	.....	.....
Amador.....	1	5	1	.....
Yolo.....	14	45	.....	1
	162	95	1	4

Stockton District.

Stockton Station.....	35	84	1	4
" Circuit.....	38	92	.....	2
Volcano.....	19	.....	.....	1
Murphy's.....	16	15	.....	.....
Sonora and Columbia.....	22	3	1	.....
Merced Circuit.....	6	3	1	.....
Montezuma ".....	19	2	1	.....
Mariposa ".....	15	2	.....	.....
Visalia ".....	20	3	.....	.....
	190	204	4	7

Recapitulation.

San Francisco District.....	446	88	4	7
Sacramento ".....	162	95	1	4
Stockton ".....	190	204	4	7
Total this year.....	798	387	9	18
Total last year.....	784	232	.....	16
Increase.....	14	155	9	2

Ques. 14. What amounts are necessary for the superannuated preachers, and the widows and orphans of preachers, and to make up the deficiencies of those who have not obtained their regular allowance on the circuits?

\$220.

Ques. 15. What has been collected on the foregoing accounts, and how has it been applied?

Nothing.

Ques. 16. What has been contributed for the support of Missions, what for the publication of Tracts and Sunday-school

books, and what to aid the American Bible Society and its auxiliaries?

For Missions, \$770 00

" Sunday-school books, 753 50

" American Bible Society, collected at general meetings with other Churches, and, consequently, not reported.

Ques. 17. Where are the preachers stationed this year?

SAN FRANCISCO DISTRICT.

A. M. Bailey, P. E.

San Francisco Station, to be supplied.

Contra Costa, to be supplied.

San José, Oscar P. Fitzgerald.

Santa Clara Circuit, to be supplied.

Gilderoy and San Juan, *J. L. Sanders, Jacob Gruelle.*

Los Angeles, *J. M. Fulton.*

Petaluma, *E. B. Lockley.*

Bodega, *J. T. Cox*, one to be supplied.

Sonoma and Napa, *S. W. Davies, B. R. Johnson.*

Suisun, *M. Evans.*

San Ramon Circuit, *L. C. Adams.*

SACRAMENTO DISTRICT.

B. H. Russell, P. E.

Sacramento Station, *W. R. Gober.*

Sacramento Circuit, *J. C. Stewart.*

Placerville and Georgetown, *J. Kelsay*, one to be supplied.

Grass Valley and Nevada, *J. F. Blythe, H. C. Settle.*

Iowa City, *M. Maupin.*

Drytown, to be supplied.

Colusi, *R. C. Martin.*

Bear River, *J. G. Shelton.*

Yolo, *J. C. Pendergrass.*

STOCKTON DISTRICT.

R. W. Bigham, P. E.

Stockton and French Camp, *O. Fisher.*

Stockton Circuit, *E. G. Cannon, F. G. Gray.*

Stanislaus, to be supplied.

Volcano, *James W. Stahl.*

Mokelumne Hill, *T. C. Barton.*

Sonora, *Horatio N. Compton.*

Merced Circuit, *J. G. Johnson.*

Montezuma Circuit, *R. A. Latimer.*

Mariposa Circuit, *J. C. Simmons.*

Visalia, *J. S. L. Wood, Thomas Brown.*

T. W. Moore, transferred to North Carolina Conference.

B. T. Crouch, transferred to Memphis Conference.

A. Graham, transferred to Florida Conference.

Ques. 18. Where and when shall our next Conference be held?

At San José, Cal., Nov. 4, 1857.

22.—INDIAN MISSION CONFERENCE.

HELD AT CHICKASAW ACADEMY, *October 23–25, 1856.*WILSON L. M'ALISTER, *President*; JOHN HARRELL, *Secretary*.

QUESTION 1. What preachers are admitted on trial?

ANSWER. Boaz A. Standford, (in deacons' orders,) John B. Forester, Harvey Bacon. 3.

Reädmitted, Samuel Chekota. 1.

Ques. 2. Who remain on trial?

Tucewalita, Elijah Butler, Jas. M'Henry, Francis M. Paine, elder, Wyatt Coffelt, Isaac S. Newman. 6.

Ques. 3. Who are admitted into full connection?

William Wilson, elder, Wm. Jones. 2.

Ques. 4. Who are the deacons?

Jackson Burgess, Isaac Sanders, Benjamin T. Crouch, Simon P. Willis. 4.

Ques. 5. Who have been elected and ordained elders this year?

None.

Ques. 6. Who have located this year?

Jackson Burgess, John Boston. 2.

Ques. 7. Who are the supernumeraries?

Wm. A. Cobb. 1.

Ques. 8. Who are the superannuated or worn-out preachers?

Erastus B. Duncan. 1.

Question 9. Who have been expelled from the Connection this year?

None.

Ques. 10. Who have withdrawn from the Connection this year?

None.

Ques. 11. Are all the preachers blameless in life and conversation?

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

Ques. 12. Who have died this year?

Daniel Asberry.* 1.

Ques. 13. What numbers are in our Church in the bounds of the Conference?

Cherokee District.

	Indian Mem's.	Indian Prob's.	White Mem's.	Col'd Mem's.	Loc'l Pr's.
Delaware and Seneca.....	228	53	10	7	2
Grand Saline.....	222	.....	5	24	9
Tahlequah & Riley's Ch'l.	66	7	10	50	.....
Flint.....	326	.....	5	4	.....
Salasaw.....	132	66	4	.....	4
Webber's Falls.....	168	.....	8	13	3
	1142	126	42	98	18

Creek District.

Creek Agency.....	154	12	9	15	4
Big Bend.....	65	12	2	.....	4
Little River.....	168	.....	1	15	4
North Fork.....	320	.....	1	24	7
Asbury M. L. School.....	3	12	12	3	.....
	710	36	25	57	19

Fort Coffee District.

Fort Coffee & New Hope.	20	21	10	11	1
Moshulatubbee.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Sanbois.....	66	25	.....	2	2
	86	46	10	13	3

Choctaw District.

Choctaw Academy.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Perryville.....	95	.....	.....	.....	.....
Colbert Institute.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Chickasaw Circuit.....	70	.....	.....	40	1
“ Academy.....	26	.....	11	.....	.....
Bloomfield.....	9	.....	4	24	.....
Doaksville.....	339	26	6	32	4
Kiamichee.....	380	.....	9	13	7
	919	26	30	109	12

Recapitulation.

Cherokee District.....	1142	126	42	98	18
Creek “.....	710	36	25	57	19
Fort Coffee “.....	86	46	10	13	3
Choctaw “.....	919	26	30	109	12
Total this year.....	2857	234	107	277	52
Total last year.....	3166	.....	91	316	43
Increase.....		234	16		9
Decrease.....	309			39	

[The probationers were not distinguished from members in last year's Minutes.]

Ques. 14. What amounts are necessary for the superannuated preachers, and the widows and orphans of preachers, and to

make up the deficiencies of those who have not obtained their regular allowance on the circuits?

No report, as this is a Mission Conference.

Ques. 15. What has been collected on the foregoing accounts, and how has it been applied?

No report, as this is a Mission Conference.

Ques. 16. What has been contributed for the support of Missions, what for the publication of Tracts and Sunday-school books, and what to aid the American Bible Society and its auxiliaries?

For Missions,	\$853 34
Unexpended of last year,	149 20

\$1002 54

Amount appropriated to Missions, about \$1900.

Ques. 17. Where are the preachers stationed this year?

CHEROKEE DISTRICT.

John Harrell, P. E.

Riley's Chapel and Grand Saline, *Young Ewing*.

Spring Creek, *Walker Cary*, Tucewalita.

Bates's Prairie, *Elijah Butler*, one to be supplied.

Flint Circuit, to be supplied.

Salasaw, Pleasant Bassham, *Wm. A. Cobb*, Sup'y.

Webber's Falls, *Wyatt Coffelt*, *Isaac Sanders*.
Canadian School, *James Essex*.

CREEK DISTRICT.

David B. Cumming, P. E.

Creek Agency, *James M'Henry*, one to be supplied.

Big Bend, *Dick Hider*, *Wm. M'Intosh*.

North Fork, *Calvin M. Slover*, one to be supplied.

Little River, *Samuel Chekota*, one to be supplied.

Asbury Manual Labor School, *Thomas B. Ruble*, Superintendent.

FORT COFFEE DISTRICT.

Thos. W. Mitchell, P. E., and Superintendent of Fort Coffee and New Hope Academies.

Moshulatubbee, *Dickson W. Lewis*, one to be supplied.

Sanbois, to be supplied.

CHOCTAW DISTRICT.

Wilson L. M'Alister, P. E.

Doaksville, *Wm. Wilson*, *Simon P. Willis*, *John Page*.

Mountain Fork, *Isaac S. Newman*.

Perryville, *John B. Forester*.

Kiamichee, *Boaz A. Standford*, *Isaac Chuckmubbee*.

Chickasaw, *Harvey Bacon*, *Benj. T. Crouch*.

Chickasaw Academy, *John C. Robinson*, Superintendent; *Francis M. Paine*, *Wm. Jones*, Teachers.

Bloomfield Academy, *John H. Carr*, Superintendent.

Choctaw Academy, to be supplied.

Colbert Institute, *Ezekiel Couch*, Superintendent.

Ques. 18. Where and when shall our next Conference be held?

At Riley's Chapel, Tahlequah, Cherokee Nation, Oct. 29, 1857.

23.—LOUISIANA CONFERENCE.*

HELD AT WATERPROOF, LA., February 4-11, 1857.

BISHOP KAVANAUGH, *President*; P. M. GOODWIN, *Secretary*.

QUESTION 1. What preachers are admitted on trial?

ANSWER. E. D. Pitts, Wm. R. Davis, Thomas J. Upton, William D. Stayton, John H. Boulton. 5.

Readmitted, James L. Chapman, elder.

Ques. 2. Who remain on trial?

Jesse Fulton, Jr., Jas. T. Fontaine, Thos. H. M'Clendon, Dabney P. Cullen, W. G. M'Gaughey, J. F. Scurlock, Robert A. New, Robert Parvin, F. T. Rowson, Chas. W. Hodge, Jephtha Landrum. 11.

* This Conference has heretofore followed the Mississippi Conference; but its session was postponed this year till after the sessions of all the other Conferences; and its statistics were not received until the Minutes were just going to press.—[Ed.]

Ques. 3. Who are admitted into full connection?

Charles W. Coursey. 1.

Ques. 4. Who are the deacons?

Gerhard Busman, Uriah Riley, William A. Manly, Charles W. Coursey, ordained this year; Seaborn J. Graves. 5.

Ques. 5. Who have been elected and ordained elders this year?

Benjamin F. Alexander, Saml. J. Hawkins, Samuel B. Suratt, John A. Miller. 4.

Ques. 6. Who have located this year?

Bedford J. Hamilton, Frederick White, Moses Davis. 3.

Ques. 7. Who are the supernumeraries?

P. H. Dieffenweirth, Uriah Whatley. 2.

Ques. 8. Who are the superannuated or worn-out preachers?

William Stevenson, Thos. Samford. 2.

Ques. 9. Who have been expelled from the Connection this year?

None.

Ques. 10. Who have withdrawn from the Connection this year?

None.

Ques. 11. Are all the preachers blameless in life and conversation?

Their names were called over, one by one, and their characters examined and passed, with the exception of one, who was censured and reprovod.

Ques. 12. Who have died this year?

Jephtha Hughes. 1.

JEPHTHA HUGHES was partly brought up in Alabama. Of the time and place of his birth, we have not been able to learn. He embraced religion in early life. In the year 1823, he was first licensed to exhort: in 1825 or 1826, he was admitted on trial in the Mississippi Annual Conference. Of his early career in the ministry, we have not been able to learn much. We however find him, in 1836, on the Warren Circuit. In 1837, he was stationed at Manchester (now Yazoo City) and Benton. At the close of that year, he was transferred to the Arkansas Conference; and, at the close of 1838, he located, and settled on the Bonida Bayou, in what is now Morehouse Parish, Louisiana. After a few years, he removed to Union Parish, but finally returned to the Bonida. In January, 1855, he was readmitted into the travelling connection by the Louisiana Conference, and stationed in Monroe and Trenton. During this year his health so far failed, that he was placed on the supernumerary list, and ap-

pointed to the Bastrop Circuit. Some time in the month of June he was stricken with a paralysis, from which he never fully recovered. He however was so far restored as to be able to ride; but never attempted to preach afterwards. He finally sunk under the disease; and, on September 11, 1856, sweetly fell asleep. In his last illness he conversed but little, but recognized his friends when they called on him, and was sensible to the last. Some two or three days before his death, being inquired of concerning his prospects in view of death, he remarked that he had long since made preparation, and that he felt confident that all was well. Brother Hughes was a man of deep piety. As a preacher, he was far above mediocrity. He was an able minister of the new and everlasting covenant. When in the regular work, he was always at his post; and, while local, he was abundant in labors. Truly he was a good man. He leaves a widow and four children to mourn his loss; but they mourn not as those who have no hope.

Ques. 13. What numbers are in our Church in the bounds of the Conference?

New Orleans District.

	White Mem's.	White Prob's.	Col'd Mem's.	Col'd Prob's.	Loc'l Pr's.
Carondelet Street.....	211	43	.....	.....	3
Felicity "	214	20	.....	.....	5
Moreau "	97	53	.....	.....	1
Wesley, Soule, & Winans Chapels.....	.....	.....	1130	179	.....
First German Mission....	65	.....	.....	.....	2
Second " "	82	40	.....	.....	1
Third " "	11	1	.....	.....	.....
Fourth " "	20	4	.....	.....	.....
New Orleans Circuit.....	76	25	.....	.....	.....
Baton Rouge.....	112	21	114	40	2
Plaquemine and Pointe Coupée.....	70	.....	150	.....	.....
Thibodeaux.....	23	10	50	23	.....
Lafourche & Bayou Black Circuit and Mission....	43	12	575	56	.....
	1024	229	2019	298	14

Opelousas District.

Franklin and Patterson- ville	267	.....	450	.....	2
New Iberia.....	215	47	42	18	2
Au Large Prairie Colored Mission .....	.....	.....	123	.....	.....
Opelousas Circuit.....	164	67	4	50	1
Chicot "	75	41	57	47	.....
Alexandria	54	.....	113	.....	.....
North Rapides and Miss.	106	16	192	18	.....
Columbia Circuit.....	55	19	5	1	.....
Harrisonburg	382	85	22	6	3
	1318	275	1008	140	8

Shreveport District.

Shreveport	60	10	75	.....	.....
Caddo Circuit & Mission.	175	100	68	.....	5
Mansfield Circuit.....	212	16	200	12	3
Natchitoches.....	138	234	19	22	6
Red River.....	175	40	84	128	4
North Bossier.....	97	28	58	14	.....
	857	428	504	176	18

Ouachita District.

	White Mem's.	White Prob's.	Col'd Men's.	Col'd Prob's.	Loc'l Pr's.
Minden Circuit.....	184	30	118	17	3
Homer ".....	553	133	163	.....	11
Monroe and Trenton.....	26	12	.....	17	.....
Ouachita Circuit.....	326	61	.....	.....	6
Monroe Colored Mission.....	.....	.....	63	.....	.....
Bastrop.....	168	47	.....	.....	.....
" Colored Mission..	.....	.....	47	128	.....
Jackson Circuit.....	496	93	90	11	.....
Farmerville.....	300	30	150	.....	3
Sparta Circuit.....	337	128	74	74	.....
Dugdemona.....	144	84	.....	.....	3
	2534	618	705	247	26

Lake Providence District.

Lake Providence.....	80	19	19	24	1
Carroll Colored Mission.....	.....	.....	82	.....	.....
Monticello.....	140	50	.....	.....	1
Swan Lake.....	108	60	38	.....	2
Boeuf River.....	38	23	23	.....	2
Boeuf Prairie.....	182	176	21	22	5
Trinity Circuit.....	121	63	66	.....	1
Waterproof & St. Joseph.....	169	19	.....	.....	2
Tensas Colored Mission.....	6	4	310	208	.....
Richmond.....	43	.....	81	.....	.....
	885	414	640	254	14

Recapitulation.

New Orleans District.....	1024	229	2019	298	14
Opelousas ".....	1318	275	1008	140	8
Shreveport ".....	857	428	504	176	18
Ouachita ".....	2534	618	705	247	26
Lake Providence ".....	885	414	640	254	14
Total this year.....	6618	1964	4876	1115	80
Total last year.....	6136	1222	4479	702	100
Increase.....	482	742	397	413	.....
Decrease.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	20
Indians last year.....	17	.....	.....	.....	.....
Indians this year.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Decrease.....	17	.....	.....	.....	.....

Ques. 14. What amounts are necessary for the superannuated preachers, and the widows and orphans of preachers, and to make up the deficiencies of those who have not obtained their regular allowance on the circuits?

\$1770.

Ques. 15. What has been collected on the foregoing accounts, and how has it been applied?

Collected,	\$1774 37
Applied as follows :	
Thomas Samford,	\$340 00
William Stevenson,	300 00
David Kinnear,	300 00
Widow of Brother Page,	150 00
Widow and orphan of Brother Foster,	175 00
Widow and orphans of Brother Turnley,	305 00
Orphans of Brother Guice,	120 00
" " Tostric,	40 00
" " Benton,	40 00
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	\$1770 00

Ques. 16. What has been contributed for the support of Missions, what for the publication of Tracts and Sunday-school books, and what to aid the American Bible Society and its auxiliaries?

For Missions,	\$9166 47
Sunday-schools,	1998 50
Tracts,	1486 55
Bible Society,	277 00

Ques. 17. Where are the preachers stationed this year?

NEW ORLEANS DISTRICT.

J. C. Keener, P. E.

Carondelet Street, *Linus Parker.*

Felicity Street, *J. B. Walker.*

Moreau Street, *J. W. Johnson.*

Wesley, Soule, and Winans Chapels, *H. N. M' Tyeire*, and Editor of the New Orleans Christian Advocate.

{ First and Fourth German Missions, *J. M. Hofer.*

{ Second German Mission, *J. A. Pauley.*

{ Third German Mission, *G. Busmann.*

New Orleans Circuit, *B. F. Alexander.*

Baton Rouge, *Samuel B. Suratt.*

Plaquemine, *Thomas B. White.*

Grosse Tête, *Samuel Haws.*

Thibodeaux, *Jephtha Landrum.*

Lafourche and Bayou Black Circuit and Mission, *Thomas L. Beard*, *Jesse Fulton.*

Atchafalaya, *D. M. K. Collins.*

R. J. Harp, Agent for the Tract Society.

OPELOUSAS DISTRICT.

J. A. Ivy, P. E.

{ Franklin and Pattersonville, *S. J. Davies.*

{ Bayou Teche Col. Mission, *J. T. Fontaine.*

New Iberia Circuit, *J. H. Waters.*

Opelousas, *S. J. Hawkins.*

{ St. Landry Colored Mission, to be supplied.

{ Chicot Circuit, *H. Avery*, *Robert Parvin.*

Alexandria, *C. J. Halberg.*

North Rapides Circuit and Colored Mission,

W. D. Stayton, *U. Whatley*, Sup'y.

Harrisonburg Circuit, *C. W. Hodge.*

Columbia Circuit, *W. A. Manly.*

SHREVEPORT DISTRICT.

R. Randall, P. E.

Shreveport, *James L. Chapman.*

Caddo Circuit, *T. M. Penick*, *F. T. Rawson.*

Mansfield, *E. D. Pitts.*

Pleasant Hill, *C. W. Coursey.*

Natchitoches Circuit, *D. S. M'Bride.*

Sparta Circuit, *Wm. A. Smyth.*

{ Red River Circuit, *James L. Wright.*

{ Red River Colored Mission, to be supplied.

North Bossier, *E. A. Stevenson.*

Mansfield Female College: *H. C. Thweatt*, President; *E. D. Pitts*, Vice President, and Professor of Mathematics; *R. A. New*, Agent.

OUACHITA DISTRICT.

R. R. R. Alexander, P. E.

Minden Circuit, *A. E. Goodwyn.*

Homer Circuit, *D. S. Watkins.*

Farmerville Circuit, *B. C. Stegal.*

Monroe and Trenton, and Colored Mission,
Reynolds Trippett.

Ouachita Circuit, *D. P. Cullen.*

Bastrop Circuit, *John Pipes.*

Jackson Circuit, *R. M. Crowson.*

Dugdemona Circuit, *T. M'Clendon.*

Joel Sanders, Agent for Homer College.

LAKE PROVIDENCE DISTRICT.

Lewis A. Reed, P. E.

Lake Providence and Bunch's Bend, *N. A. Cravens.*

{ Swan Lake and Pecan Grove, *W. G. M'Gaughey.*

{ Carroll Colored Mission, *W. R. Davis.*

Monticello and Floyd, *David Kinnear.*

Bayou Macon Circuit, *J. F. Scurlock.*

Boeuff River Circuit, *John H. Boulton.*

Boeuff Prairie Circuit, *Uriah Riley.*

{ Waterproof and Tensas Chapel, *B. F. White.*

{ Tensas Colored Mission, *E. W. Griswold,*
T. J. Upton.

Trinity Circuit, *John C. Pitts.*

St. Joseph and Wesley Chapel, *Thomas J. Lacy, P. H. Dieffenweirth, Sup'y.*

Mound Bayou and Bayou Vidal, *J. A. Miller.*

{ Richmond Circuit, *P. M. Goodwyn.*

{ Madison Colored Mission, to be supplied.

Ques. 18. Where and when shall our
next Conference be held?

At Mansfield, La.

GENERAL RECAPITULATION.

CONFERENCES.	Trav. Pr's.	Sup'd Pr's.	Local Pr's.	White Members.	White Prob's.	Colored Members.	Col'd Prob's.	Indian Mem's.	Indian Prob's.	Totl. Mr's. and Mb's.	In- crease.	De- crease.
1. Kentucky.....	75	9	238	15,850	1985	4559	679	.....	.....	23,395	.....	807
2. Louisville.....	81	13	214	19,507	2216	3955	440	.....	.....	26,426	1009	.....
3. Missouri.....	74	5	118	13,960	1694	1474	188	.....	.....	17,513	418	.....
4. St. Louis.....	97	8	137	16,693	1392	1423	.....	.....	.....	19,750	.....	.....
5. Kansas Missiop.....	14	1	12	464	30	2	.....	176	.....	699	923	.....
6. Tennessee.....	179	8	366	30,619	3906	6674	639	.....	.....	42,391	.....	371
7. Holston.....	105	8	379	36,281	4851	3944	431	157	62	46,218	2073	.....
8. Memphis.....	142	8	404	27,713	3822	7026	864	.....	.....	39,979	.....	287
9. Mississippi.....	111	10	191	13,031	3403	9680	3364	.....	.....	29,790	.....	631
10. Virginia.....	148	6	205	30,975	3527	5921	562	.....	.....	41,344	954	.....
11. Western Virginia...	47	2	62	8298	.....	283	.....	.....	.....	8692	338	.....
12. North Carolina.....	115	11	198	28,973	3109	11,334	1060	.....	.....	44,800	107	.....
13. South Carolina.....	133	11	226	31,104	4173	36,746	6610	.....	.....	79,003	.....	2
14. Georgia.....	178	23	560	43,456	6636	19,313	3117	.....	.....	73,283	764	.....
15. Alabama.....	183	13	500	34,613	7513	17,912	3627	.....	.....	64,361	3777	.....
16. Florida.....	78	7	97	6941	1335	4885	1146	.....	.....	14,489	1643	.....
17. Texas.....	100	6	171	7698	2718	2217	1093	.....	.....	14,003	2165	.....
18. East Texas.....	65	6	176	9436	2593	1513	555	.....	.....	14,344	.....	482
19. Arkansas.....	52	2	130	9257	1418	690	226	.....	.....	11,774	405	.....
20. Wachita.....	60	2	126	6990	2107	1921	717	.....	.....	11,923	1626	.....
21. Pacific.....	33	1	18	798	387	9	.....	.....	.....	1246	177	.....
22. Indian Mission.....	34	1	52	107	.....	277	.....	2657	234	3562	.....	86
23. Louisiana.....	67	2	80	6618	1964	4876	1115	.....	.....	14,722	2003	.....
Total in 1856-7.....	2171	163	4660	399,382	60,779	146,634	26,433	3190	296	643,708	18,382	2666
Total in 1855-6.....	2078	151	4628	397,727	49,645	147,472	22,678	3613	.....	627,992	.....	.....
Increase.....	93	12	32	1655	11,034	.....	3755	.....	296	15,716	Net increase.	.....
Decrease.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	838	.....	423	.....	.....	.....	.....

[The transferred preachers are reckoned with those of the Conferences to which they now belong. The six bishops are not counted. Their addition would make the number of travelling preachers 2177. There are also several members in China who are not counted, not being officially reported. A vast amount of labor has been bestowed upon the Minutes to secure correctness.]