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MINUTES

OF THE

ANNUAL CONFERENCES

OF THE

Methodist Episcopal Church, South,

FOR THE YEAR

1864.

Nashville, Tenn.:
SOUTHERN METHODIST PUBLISHING HOUSE. 1870.
BISHOPS
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 MAYSVILLE, KY., SEPTEMBER 7-12, 1864.

J. C. HARRISON, President; DANIEL STEVENSON, Secretary.

QUESTION 1. Who are admitted on trial?
Answer. Daniel M. Bonner. 1.

Ques. 2. Who remain on trial?
J. J. Johnson, J. A. Humphrey. 2.

Ques. 3. Who are admitted into full connection?

Ques. 4. Who are re-admitted?
None.

Ques. 5. Who are received by transfer from other Conferences?
George W. Dungan. 1.

Ques. 6. Who are the deacons of one year?
Josiah Fitch, T. J. Dodd, H. W. Abbett. 3.

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

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

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

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

Ques. 11. Who have located this year?

Ques. 12. Who are supernumerary?
E. P. Buckner. 1.

Ques. 13. Who are superannuated?

Ques. 14. What preachers have died during the past year?
William Atherton. 1.

No memoir.

Ques. 15. Are all the preachers blameless in their life and official administration?
Their names were called over, one by one, and their characters examined and passed, except L. D. Huston, whose case was again referred to the Presiding Elder of Covington District for investigation; the cases of J. W. Ridgell and C. W. Miller were referred to the Presiding Elder of Harrodsburg District for investigation.

Ques. 16. What is the number of preachers and members in the several circuits, stations, and missions of the Conference?
White probationers, 874
Colored probationers, 261
White members, 14,029

Ques. 17. What amounts are necessary for the superannuated preachers, and the widows and orphans of preachers, and to make up the deficiencies of those who have not obtained their regular allowance in their respective districts, circuits, and stations?
$37,435 25.

Ques. 18. What has been collected on the foregoing accounts, and how has it been applied?
Collected, $32,727 26

Ques. 19. What has been contributed for the Missionary, Sunday-school, and Tract Societies?
For Missions, $943 55

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

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

John G. Bruce, P. E.

Lexington:
First Charge, W. F. T. Spruill.
Second Charge, to be supplied.
Frankfort, G. W. Merritt.

* Elected, but not ordained.
Kentucky Conference, 1864.

Georgetown, to be supplied.
Nicholasville, Duke Slavens.
Versailles, Stephen Noland, Sup.
Jessamine and Woodford, J. A. Humphrey.
Winchester and Mount Zion, W. F. Taylor.
Vienna, W. B. Landrum.
Mount Sterling, to be supplied.
Leesburg, R. Lancaster.
Paris and North Middletown, G. S. Savage.

L. D. Parker, Chaplain Eighteenth Regiment Kentucky Volunteer Infantry.

HARRIBDSBURG DISTRICT.

J. R. Elia, P. E.

Harrodsburg, Joseph Rand.
Lawrenceburg, to be supplied.
Perryville, William Bickers.
Maxville, George W. Dungan.
Danville, Stanford, and Lancaster, H. P. Walker.
Bryantsville, W. W. Chamberlain.
Richmond and Providence, James E. Letton.
Crab Orchard, Joshua S. Taylor.
Somerset, J. T. S. Smith.
Pulaski, to be supplied.
Irvine, John L. Gragg.

SHELBYVILLE DISTRICT.

Jedidiah Foster, P. E.

Shelbyville, H. C. Northcott.
Shelby Circuit, W. G. Johns.
Taylorsville, W. G. Crumbaugh.
Bloomfield, W. H. Winter.
La Grange, W. C. Atmore.
Westport, J. Strother.
Bedford, T. J. Godbey.
Carrollton, Peter E. Kavanaugh.
Newcastle, W. T. Benton.
Lockport, Thomas Rankin.
Simpsonville, J. S. Coxe.
Carroll Male and Female Academy, J. J. Johnston, Principal; H. W. Abbott, Teacher of Languages.

John S. Bayles, Chaplain Sixteenth Regiment Kentucky Volunteer Infantry.

COVINGTON DISTRICT.

W. B. Kavanaugh, P. E.

Covington, J. C. Harrison, E. P. Buckner, Sup.

Kentucky, Daniel M. Bowman.
Newport, W. C. Dandy.
Alexandria, F. H. Hoffman.
Brookville, L. P. Piersall.
Palmouth, A. Miner.
Oddville, George W. Smith.
Millersburg, Samuel Kelly.
Cynthiana, S. X. Hall.
Carlisle, Milton Mann.
Flat Rock, to be supplied.
Warsaw, J. H. Brooking.
Crittenden, Orson Long.
Burlington, T. F. Vanmeter.
Owenton and Eagle Creek Mission, to be supplied.
Millersburg Male High School, T. J. Dodd, Principal.
Educational Fund, S. L. Robertson, Agent.

MAYSVILLE DISTRICT.

E. Johnson, P. E.

Maysville, B. Messick.
Shannon and Sardis, J. C. C. Thompson.
Mount Olivet, P. J. Johns.
Flemingsburg, E. M. Cole.
Tilton, George L. Gould.
Poplar Plains and Hillsboro, W. D. Power.
Owingsville, W. H. Parker.
Sharpsburg and Bethel, B. F. Sedwick.
Lewis, W. L. Furniss.
Richland, J. W. Zimmerman.
Orangeburg, Josiah W. Fitch.

MISSION DISTRICT.

P. E., to be supplied.

London, to be supplied.
Barbourville and Manchester, to be supplied.
Booneville and Proctor, to be supplied.
Williamsburg, to be supplied.
Yellow Creek, to be supplied.
Mount Vernon, to be supplied.
Morgan, to be supplied.
Morgan and Piketon, to be supplied.
Jackson, to be supplied.
Mount Pleasant, to be supplied.
Whiteburg, to be supplied.

J. D. Onins, transferred to Western Virginia Conference, and stationed at Parkersburg.
L. G. Hicks, transferred to Louisville Conference.
2.—LOUISVILLE CONFERENCE.

HELD AT HENDERSON, KY., October 19—, 1864.

BISHOP KAVANAUGH, President; N. H. LEE, Secretary.

**Question 1.** Who are admitted on trial?

**Answer.** John W. Price, Thomas D. Payne, Wm. T. Davenport, Francis M. Rose. 4.

**Ques. 2.** Who remain on trial?

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

**Ques. 3.** Who are admitted into full connection?

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

**Ques. 4.** Who are re-admitted?

None.

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

None.

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

Timothy C. Peters, Dennis Spurrier, Wm. T. Reid. 3.

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

Daniel H. Limebaugh, W. R. Johnson, Montgomery M. Hunter. 3.

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


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


**Ques. 10.** Who are admitted into full connection and ordained elders?

Elijah Thurman. 1.

**Ques. 11.** Who have located this year?

James H. Bristow, Silas Spurrier. 2.

**Ques. 12.** Who are supernumerary?

Allison Akin, John R. Strange. 2.

**Ques. 13.** Who are superannuated?


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

Aaron Moore, John Randolph, Jas. H. Owen, Edward Stevenson, Lewis G. Hicks. 5.

**Aaron Moore** was born in Ohio, April 2, 1813; was married a second time to Miss Elizabeth Shotwell in 1837; was married a second time to Miss Annie Hockersmith, Feb. 15, 1855; and died at Madisonville, Ky., Oct. 15, 1863. He joined the M. E. Church about twenty years of age. Of the circumstances of his conversion and call to the ministry, nothing is known by the committee. He was admitted into the traveling connection in the Louisville Conference in 1846, and continued a regular effective preacher until the fall of 1859, filling a number of important appointments with great acceptability and usefulness. At the Conference which was held this year, he was compelled—by a painful disease from which he had been suffering intensely for several years, and which would have caused any one not thoroughly devoted to the work to have retired from the effective ranks long before—to accept a superannuated relation, in which he continued till his death. He bore his afflictions with great patience and resignation, and during his last hours expressed himself as fully ready for death. When asked by a brother who was with him to the last, “Do you have any doubt as to your acceptance with God?” he replied readily and emphatically, “No, sir; the Lord will not forsake me.” Again he was asked, “Do you entertain any doubt about going to heaven after death?” To which he replied, “No, no. Though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I will fear no evil.” When asked if he had any message to send to his brethren of the Conference, he said, “Tell them that up to the 15th day of October I had unshaken confidence in God.” About eleven o’clock p.m. of this day he fell asleep. His preaching was clear, sensible, and full of unction. His prayers were peculiarly appropriate and powerful. He had a genial disposition, and was distinguished for his good sense and kindness of heart.

**John Randolph** was born in Trigg county, Ky., May 9, 1829. He was converted in 1847 or 1848, and was licensed to preach Nov. 23, 1850. He was admitted to trial in the Louisville Conference in 1851. His first appointment was a mission in Butler county. Feeling deeply the importance of knowledge, he became a diligent student, and made considerable progress, not only in theology, but also in the Greek and Latin languages. In the year 1856, he married Miss Eliza Bell, whose sorrowful yet beautiful epistle affords much insight into his inner life. He filled twelve important fields of labor in as
many years, and in all gave proof of a single aim to save the souls of men. The staple of his preaching, as of all he did in the Lord's vineyard, was strong, practical sense, sanctified and rendered efficient by deep piety toward God. His last field of labor was the Morganfield Circuit, where, in the midst of his labors and usefulness, he was, April 3, 1863, attacked with measles, but continued preaching and doing his regular pastoral work up to the first Sabbath in June, when his physician forbade him attempting it again—he having missed only one appointment. So fully was his heart in the work that he would have his horse brought to the door, get up out of bed, fill his appointments, come home, and not sit up any more during the day. His wife writes, "When I would tell him he was not able to do the work, to give it up until he was better, he would reply, 'I want to work till I die—I want to die telling sinners to come to Christ.'" Says another, "He did not often speak of death, because of the pain it gave his wife; but when he did, it was always with composure and resignation—often becoming very happy, and exulting in the prospect of an abundant entrance into the kingdom of our Lord." Thus died our dear Brother Randolph, in the prime of life, and in the midst of his labors, saying, "I desire no eulogy—all that I wish said is that I died in the faith." He left a wife and one son. She says, "I never knew him to neglect his devotions, come what would—it was his delight to talk to the Lord. About five minutes before he left me, I asked him to speak to me once more. With his face radiant with glory, he replied, 'All is well, all is peace! I am so happy! I love my wife! Take care of Ed­die; make him a good boy!' A hundred days have passed since then, and yet his words are all fresh in my memory; and in my unutterable grief I can only say, 'How long, O Lord, must I endure!' Pray for me in my deep affliction, for I trust I have the sympathy of all Methodist preachers."

James Hawkins Owen was born in Franklin county, Ky., Jan. 20, 1829. He was educated partly in the Masonic College, La Grange, Ky., and partly in Transylvania University at Lexington. His home-training was by a father and mother, whose blessed influence, to­gether with Sabbath-school instruction, early brought their lovely boy to the Saviour. His was a thorough conversion. Head, heart, will, and abilities, were thenceforth consecrated to the Lord Jesus Christ to the end of life. As might be expected from such entire self-con­se­cration to God, his whole life was a beautiful exemplification of the pure, unselfish religion he professed and taught. He was but thirteen years old when converted, and at twenty he joined the Louisville Conference as a traveling preacher. He filled many of the most important appointments in the Conference, and always, it is believed, with honor to himself and usefulness to the people. He was Secretary of the Conference for years, and filled the arduous and re­sponsible duties of Presiding Elder in some of our most important Districts, with a prudence, fidelity, and zeal that commanded the confidence and love of preachers and people. His religion was more of faith and principle than of impulse, yet he was a happy Christian. As a friend, he was warm-hearted, confiding, and true. As a son, he was obedient. As a husband and father, tender, gentle, and indulgent. As a preacher, he was earnest and zealous, practical and often argumentative. He was an excellent and an untiring pastor, and herein, we believe, lay his greatest success. His parents and children, saints and sinners, rich and poor, found in him a friend, and loved him as such. His last field of labor was Shelby Street Station, Louisville, where he had a gracious revival of religion, in which both the Church and Sabbath-school experienced large accessions, and his own soul was evidently matured for an early entrance into eternal life. His last sickness was short, but extremely severe, and was borne with much submission and happy confidence in God, he saying, "I am perfectly resigned to the will of the Lord; I made choice in early life of the good part, and my trust is still unshaken in my Saviour." When his hands were cold and his eyes dim in the gathering gloom of death, he called for the Bible, but being unable to read, he quoted, "For by one Spirit are we all baptized into one body," etc., and added, "All is joy and peace within." Thus about midnight, March 14, 1864, passed the soul of James Hawkins Owen to the regions of the blessed, in the thirty-fifth year of his age and sixteenth of his ministry. He left a wife and four children, whose loss all will appreciate who ever knew the sweet-spirited husband and father they mourn.

Edward Stevenson died at his residence in Russellville, Ky., July 6, 1864, aged nearly sixty-seven years. His parents, Thomas and Sarah Stevenson, were numbered among the early Methodists of America, having joined the Methodist Church, in Maryland, in 1768, when there were not two hundred Methodists on this continent. They emigrated to Kentucky in 1786, and, after remaining a short time at Ken­ton's Station, erected a home a few miles distant, in Mason county, Ky. In that house, in the same year, the first society of Methodists estab­lished in the wilderness of Kentucky was organ­ized; and for more than forty years their house was a regular preaching-place. There Edward Stevenson was born and reared. He was converted and joined the Church of his parents in his youth, and early entered the ministry. He preached his first sermon in his father's house, on which occasion seven persons were converted. Brother Stevenson entered the Kentucky Con­ference in 1820, and remained in it till its di­vision in 1846, after which period he was con­nected with the Louisville Conference. He was stationed in most of the large towns and cities in the State—as Mount Sterling, Harrodsburg, Danville, Hopkinsville, Russellville, Bowling-green, Shelbyville, Frankfort, Maysville, Lex­ington, and Louisville—and was four years Pre­siding Elder of the Hopkinsville District. He
was a member of the General Conference in 1844, and was among the protesters against the Abolition policy inaugurated there, which severed the Church in twain. He was a member of the first General Conference, which met the ensuing year at Petersburg, Va., and was a member of every General Conference held after that time. In 1846, he was elected, by the General Conference, Missionary Secretary and Assistant Book Agent of the Church, with his residence and office at Louisville, Ky. In 1850, he was reelected Assistant Book Agent, and in 1854 was elected Chief Agent of the Publishing House, located at Nashville, Tenn., and successfully conducted the affairs of that establishment, in connection with his associate, for four years. In 1858, he accepted the Presidency of the Russellville Female Collegiate Institute, which position he filled for nearly six years, ending with his death. The important stations he filled, as an itinerant minister, with credit to himself and profit to the Church. The honors conferred upon him by the General Conference of which he was a member, and the important trusts committed to his charge by the General Conference, composed of delegates from every Conference in the Church, show the high estimation in which he was held by his brethren, and speak more loudly in his praise than any words of eulogy which we might pronounce. The honorary degree of D.D. was conferred upon him by the Masonic College at La Grange, Ky. The sickness ending in his death was long and severe. It was erysipelas, caused, apparently, by a slight wound on his finger made by a piece of glass. During a considerable portion of his illness he was delirious; but there were moments of consciousness, during which he gave evidence that his confidence was in Christ, whom he had praised so long as the Saviour of them that trust in and honor him. Several times he joined with friends in singing with spirit and feeling the sacred hymns he had sung in other days. He expressed his gratitude to God for his loving kindness to him, while, for more than forty-five years, he had preached his gospel. On one occasion he said, "My faith is invincible; I know in whom I have believed; my record is on high; I know that my Redeemer liveth, and that he shall stand at the latter day upon the earth, and though after my skin, worms destroy this body, yet in my flesh shall I see God." Just before his death, he exclaimed, "I am almost there!" In reference to departed friends who were named, he said, "They are all so happy up there!" and soon his spirit went up to swell the number of the happy ones "there."

LEWIS G. HICKS was born in Tennessee, Nov. 19, 1820; embraced religion and joined the Methodist Church in his youth; was received on trial in the Tennessee Conference in 1838, and was immediately transferred to the Alabama Conference, in whose bounds he labored for several years. He was married in Alabama to Miss Ellen Douglas, and transferred to the Kentucky Conference in 1847, and stationed at Nicholasville and Versailles. The next year he was sent to Shannon Circuit. At the next Conference he located, and spent the ensuing four years in the practice of medicine at Bethel, Bath county, Ky. While sustaining a local relation, he very often exercised his gifts and graces in pulpit-labor with popularity and usefulness. In 1854, he restored the Kentucky Conference, and spent the next two years on Minerva Circuit. The two years following he was stationed at Danville, and the next two at Winchester. In 1860, he was appointed Presiding Elder of the Shelbyville District, and in 1861 was reappointed. A year ago he was transferred to the Louisville Conference, and appointed to the Jeffersontown Circuit. He settled at Simpsonville, Ky., where he devoted the greater portion of his time to the practice of medicine. Here he died Oct. 14, 1864. Dr. Hicks was a man of pleasing appearance and manners, an earnest student, of extensive reading, and highly respectable literary attainments, though for the most part a self-made man. He was a theologian and a preacher of more than ordinary abilities. His preaching was doctrinal, practical, and experimental—plain, instructive, earnest, and effective. He was a good man—a man of practical and experimental piety—a true Christian gentleman—humble, modest, and unobtrusive, popular in the pulpit, and beloved in the social circle. In his death, the Conference and the Church have lost an able and useful minister. For years past his health had been feeble at times, and his affliction of such a character as to affect his spirits, inducing hours of gloom and despondency, causing him to cry out with the Psalmist, "Why art thou cast down, O my soul? and why art thou disquieted within me?" But from these gloomy seasons he would emerge into the light and joy of one who held himself an accepted child of God. His death was calm and peaceful. To use his own language, he died "trusting in the blood of our Lord Jesus Christ." A widow and several children survive him.

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

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

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

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

$5485.

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

Collected, $2780 00

Applied as follows:

To the Bishops, $535 00
To John B. Perry, $300 00
To Sister Knowles, $110 00
To Sister Lewis, $110 00
To A. B. Pyne, $25 00
To Richard Tydings, $157 00
To A. C. DeWitt, $185 00
To Sister Moors, $150 00
To Sister Wilson, $150 00
To Sister King, $141 50
To Preacher's Aid Society, $30 00
To Sister Davis, $97 50
To Sister Lee, $195 00
To Sister Randolph, $182 50
To Brother Kasey's child, $26 00

\$2780 00
Ques. 19. What has been contributed for the Missionary, Sunday-school, and Tract Societies? No report.

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

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

LOUISVILLE DISTRICT.
Thomas Bottomley, P. E.
Louisville:
Brook Street, W. H. Anderson.
Jackson Street, (colored,) to be supplied.
Walnut Street, George W. Brush.
Chestnut Street, J. H. Linn.
Centre Street, (colored,) to be supplied.
Shelby Street, Gideon Gooch.
Twelfth Street, C. B. Parsons.
Portland Station, F. B. Rodgers.
City Mission, L. B. Davison.
Middletown Circuit, Richard Deering.
Jeffersontown, J. P. Goodson.
U. S. Hospital, William Holman, Chaplain.
Book and Tract Societies, A. H. Redford, Agent.
Missionary Secretary, E. W. Sehon.

HARDINSBURG DISTRICT.
J. D. Barnett, P. E.
Hardinsburg Circuit, J. W. Taylor.
Big Spring, J. R. Dempsey.
Hudsonville, J. M. Lawson.
Litchfield Mission, to be supplied.
Hawesville Circuit, Samuel C. Allen.
Yelvington, H. C. McQuown.
Owensboro Station, J. W. Cunningham.
Owensboro Circuit, Daniel S. Campbell.
Calhoun, Silas Newton.
Hartford, George H. Hayes.
Fordsville Mission, to be supplied.

HENDERSON DISTRICT.
A. L. Alderson, P. E.
Henderson Station, Henry M. Ford.
Henderson Colored Mission, to be supplied.
Henderson Circuit, E. M. Crow.
Morganfield, J. S. McDaniel.
Madisonville, W. W. Cook.
Rumsey, Robert B. McCown.
Smithland Station, D. A. Beardsley.
Smithland Circuit, Thomas D. Payne.
Salem, to be supplied.
Marion, P. T. Hardin.
Eddyville, George C. Crumbaugh.
Princeton, Thomas D. Lewis.
Charleston Mission, to be supplied.

HOPKINSVILLE DISTRICT.
W. H. Morrison, P. E.
Hopkinsville and Elkton, Samuel W. Speer.
Fairview Circuit, Thomas J. Moore.
Falling Rock Mission, E. A. Davis.
La Fayette Circuit, J. C. Petree.
Cadiz, J. F. Redford.
Empire Iron-works, W. T. Reid, A. Akin, Sup.
Hodensville, George R. Browder.
Logan, H. C. Settle, one to be supplied.
Russellville Station, A. A. Morrison.
Gordonsville Circuit, R. Y. Thomas.
Clifty Mission, James J. Ruddle.
Southern Kentucky Female Collegiate Institute, David Morton, Principal.
Richard Abbey, Financial Secretary Publishing House, at Nashville, connected with the Quarterly Conference at Russellville Station, Ky.

BOWLING-GREEN DISTRICT.
T. C. Frogge, P. E.
Bowling-green Station, E. W. Bottomley.
Woodburn Circuit, John W. Price.
Scottsville, Timothy C. Peters.
Mammoth Cave, William Alexander.
Brownsville Mission, F. M. Rose.
Franklin Circuit, Joel Peak.
Rochester Mission, W. W. Mann.
Russellville Circuit, James A. Lewis.
Greenville, B. A. Cundiff, J. R. Strange, Sup.

GLASGOW DISTRICT.
Schuyler L. Murrell, P. E.
Glasgow Station, N. H. Lee.
Glasgow Circuit, W. B. Edmunds.
Jamestown, C. D. Donaldson.
Wayne, Thomas G. Harrison.
Albany Mission, to be supplied.
Burksville Circuit, to be supplied.
Cumberland Mission, to be supplied.
Tomkinsville, W. T. Davenport.
Campbellsville, I. W. Emerson.
Greensburg, Dennis Spurrier.

BARDSTOWN DISTRICT.
James S. Woolas, P. E.
Bardstown Station, James A. Henderson.
New Haven Circuit, James L. Edlington.
Bradfordsville, William Neikirk.
Taylor, Samuel F. Hines.
Elizabethtown, L. P. Crenshaw, W. R. Johnson.
Millerstown, Montgomery M. Hunter.
Shepherdsville, Andrew D. Gray.
West Point, Charles Y. Boggess.
Louisville Circuit, Robert Fisk.
Munfordville, Henry N. Hobbs.
Buffalo Mission, to be supplied.
3.—MISSOURI CONFERENCE.

HELD AT MEXICO, MO., September 14— —, 1864.

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

QUESTION 1. Who are admitted on trial?

Ques. 2. Who remain on trial?
S. J. Huffaker, James O. Swinney. 2.

Ques. 3. Who are admitted into full connection?
John W. Adkisson, Samuel Alexander. 2.

Ques. 4. Who are readmitted?
None.

Ques. 5. Who are received by transfer from other Conferences?
None.

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

Ques. 7. What traveling preachers are elected and ordained deacons?
John W. Adkisson, Samuel Alexander. 2.

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

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

Ques. 9. What traveling preachers are elected and ordained elders?
J. R. Taylor,† W. W. McMurry,† E. H. Hudson,† 3.

Ques. 10. What local preachers are elected and ordained elders?
Samuel Briggs. 1.

Ques. 11. Who have located this year?
Jesse Bird, Louis Baldwin, H. B. Watson. 3.

Ques. 12. Who are supernumerary?

Ques. 13. Who are superannuated?

Ques. 14. Who have died during the past year?
None.

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

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

Ques. 16. What is the number of preachers and members in the several circuits, stations, and missions of the Conference?
No report.

Ques. 17. What amounts are necessary for the supernannuated preachers, and the widows and orphans of preachers, and to make up the deficiencies of those who have not obtained their regular allowance in their respective districts, circuits, and stations?
$7,706 79.

Ques. 18. What has been collected on the foregoing accounts, and how has it been applied?
Collected, $316 35

Applied as follows:
For the Bishops, 163 00
Sister Newman, 53 35
Sister Lannius, 20 00
Sister Bond, 20 00
Brother J. F. Young, 25 00
R. N. T. Halliday, 35 00

$316 35

Ques. 19. What has been contributed for the Missionary, Sunday-school, and Tract Societies?
No report.

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

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

ST. CHARLES DISTRICT.
B. H. Spencer, P. E.

St. Charles Circuit, J. H. Pritchett, P. M. Pinckard, Tyson Dines, Sup.
Flint Hill Circuit, R. P. Holt, S. J. Catlin, Sup.
Warrenton, S. R. Fowler.
High Hill, S. W. Cope.
Danville, George Smith, Joseph S. Allen.
Ashley, Jesse Sutton, A. Spencer, Sup.
Louisiana, C. J. Vandeventer, L. R. Downing, Sup.
Auburn, Robert G. Loving.

FAYETTE DISTRICT.
Horace Brown, P. E.

Fayette Circuit, E. Robinson, C. W. Pritchett, Sup.
New Franklin, George L. Sexton.
Rocheport, Thomas J. Starr.
Columbia, R. H. Jordan, Thompson Penn.
Sturgeon, R. A. Claufton, James S. Smith, Sup.
Mexico, A. P. Lynn.
Fulton, F. A. Savage, Jesse Faubion, Sup.
New Bloomfield, C. Babcock, George Fentem, George Penn, Sup.

Trenton, to be supplied.
Milan, to be supplied.
Greencastle, to be supplied.
St. John's, to be supplied.
Maysville, John A. Mumpower.
Albany, D. R. Smith.

HUNTSVILLE DISTRICT.
William A. Mayhew, P. E.
Huntsville Circuit, D. B. Cooper.
Middle Grove, Jacob McEwin.
Edina, D. R. Shackleford.
Memphis, to be supplied.
Bloomington, D. H. Root, W. Toole, Sup.

ST. JOSEPH DISTRICT.
M. R. Jones, P. E.
St. Joseph Station, to be supplied.
Platte City, H. H. Hedgpeth.
New Market, to be supplied, T. Hurst, Sup.
Liberty, John W. Adkisson.
Richmond, John C. C. Davis.
Millville, B. N. T. Halliday, W. Penn, Sup.
Plattsburg, Daniel Penny.
Savannah, to be supplied.
Oregon, to be supplied.
Maryville, to be supplied.

HANNIBAL DISTRICT.
N. G. Berryman, P. E.
Hannibal Station, John D. Vincil.
Palmyra, M. McIlhany.
Canton Circuit, William A. Tarwater.
Monticello, James Penn.
Emerson, D. Mason.
Hydesburg, William M. Newland.
Sharpsburg, John W. Penn.
Florida, E. H. Hudson.
Hannibal German Mission, C. H. Schmidt.

William M. Rush and J. P. Nolan left without an appointment.
E. R. Miller, laboring in Nevada Territory.
W. G. Miller, laboring in Tennessee, by the approval of the Bishop.
Richard Minshall's residence unknown, and his name dropped from the roll.

4.—ST. LOUIS CONFERENCE.
[NO MINUTES FOR 1864 RECEIVED.]

5.—KANSAS MISSION CONFERENCE.
[NO MINUTES FOR 1864 RECEIVED.]

6.—TENNESSEE CONFERENCE.
[NO SESSION HELD IN 1864, ON ACCOUNT OF THE WAR.]
7.—HOI\STON CONFERENCE.

HELD AT ——, ——., October 19—, 1864.

———, President; ————, Secretary.

**Questions**

1. Who are admitted on trial?
   None.

2. Who remain on trial?
   George W. Martin, Samuel W. Hyden, Joseph A. Wiggins, Joshua S. Brooks, G. Spake.

3. Who are admitted into full connection?

4. Who are readmitted?
   William Hicks.

5. Who are received by transfer from other Conferences?
   None.

6. Who are the deacons of one year?

7. What traveling preachers are elected and ordained deacons?
   John L. M. French, Henry C. Neal.

8. What local preachers are elected and ordained deacons?

9. What traveling preachers are elected and ordained elders?
   None.

10. What local preachers are elected and ordained elders?
    John W. Bowman.

11. Who have located this year?
    Gaston M. Massey.

12. Who are supernumerary?

13. Who are superannuated?

14. What preachers have died during the past year?
    Rufus M. Stevens.

15. Are all the preachers blameless in their life and official administration?
    Their names were called over, one by one, and their characters examined and passed, except James Cumming, Jesse A. Hyden, and Thomas H. Russell, who were expelled.

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## WYTHEVILLE DISTRICT.

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Newbern, John Boring, W. M. Kerr.
Hillsville Station, A. D. Stewart.
Hillsville Circuit, T. F. Smith, B. W. S. Bishop.
Grayson, J. M. Crismond, D. Sullivan.
Watauga, J. T. Freeman.
Mechanicsburg, G. W. Martin.
Princeton, G. W. Penley.
Marion, R. N. Price, M. H. Spencer, Sup.
J. K. Stringfield, Chaplain in the Army.

## ABINGDON DISTRICT.

J. M. McTeer, P. E.

Abingdon Station, W. E. Munsey.
Abingdon Circuit, G. Stewart, B. F. Nuckolls, Sup.
Lebanon, C. K. Miller.
Blountville, G. W. Miles, S. D. Gaines, Sup.
Bristol Station, J. D. Wagg.
Mississippi Conference, 1863.

Bristol Circuit, A. J. Frazier.
Elizabethton, J. T. Smith.
Emory and Henry College, E. E. Wiley, President; J. A. Davis, Professor.
Martha Washington College, W. A. Harris, President.

ROGERSVILLE DISTRICT.
R. M. Hickey, P. E.

Rogersville Circuit, W. H. Howell.
Rutledge, S. K. Haynes.
Jonesville, A. E. Woodward.
Kingsport, F. D. Crumley.
Rye Cove, H. C. Neal.
Estillville, F. A. Farley.
Jonesboro, J. R. Payne.
Fall Branch, W. P. Doane.
Greenville, J. Mahoney.
Rheatown, J. G. Swisher.

ASHEVILLE DISTRICT.
G. Taylor, P. E.

Asheville Station, W. C. Bowman.

Asheville Colored Charge, J. Reynolds.
Asheville Circuit, J. D. Baldwin.
Hendersonville Station, S. S. Groat.
Hendersonville Circuit, A. W. Cumming.
Transylvania, J. F. Woodfin.
Catawba, L. C. Delashmit.
Burnsville, J. R. Ballew.
Sulphur Springs, F. Richardson.
Webster, J. R. Long.
Echota Mission, William Hicks.
Cheoa, H. M. Bennett.
Waynesville Circuit, William H. Cooper, George Spake.
Franklin, E. W. Moore.
Warm Spring Mission, W. B. Lyda.
Fort Embree Circuit, J. S. Brooks.
Murphy, J. W. Bird.
Cleveland, F. M. Fanning.

J. W. Dickey, Superintendent of Army Missions.
Thomas F. Glenn, J. A. Wiggins, Chaplains in C. S. Army.
H. P. Waugh, transferred to Montgomery Conference.

3.—MEMPHIS CONFERENCE.

[NO MINUTES FOR 1864 RECEIVED.]

9.—MISSISSIPPI CONFERENCE.

HELD AT KOSCIUSKO, MISS., NOVEMBER 4–9, 1863.*

BISHOP ANDREW, President; H. J. HARRIS, Secretary.

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

Ques. 2. Who remain on trial?

Ques. 3. Who are admitted into full connection?
Pinckney A. Johnson, William L. C. Hunicutt, David Merchant, Corydon Chamberlain, Patrick Lane,† John D. Hayes,† Louis Kendall, 8.

† In deacon's orders.


Ques. 4. Who are re-admitted?
Willis H. Germany, R. T. Hennington. 2.

Ques. 5. Who are received by transfer from other Conferences?
None.

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

Ques. 7. What traveling preachers are elected and ordained deacons?
Pinckney A. Johnson, William L. C. Hunic-

* These Minutes were not received in time for insertion in the Minutes of last year.
JAMES C. TAYLOR was born of pious parents, in Amite county, Miss., in 1839. He was received on trial in the Mississippi Conference in 1858, at which time he was appointed to Georgetown Circuit; next year to Louisville Circuit, and the year following to Lower Deer Creek Mission. In 1861, he was appointed to Columbia Circuit. In the spring of 1862 he joined Company F of the Thirty-eighth Mississippi Regiment as a private soldier in the Confederate Army. His health soon became greatly impaired by exposure in camp, which prevented him from being much with his command during the first five months. Since then he was seldom absent from his companions in arms. Before and after Brother Taylor joined the army he led an exemplary life, forcibly illustrating the principles of the religion he professed. Just before the siege of Vicksburg, he was promised the chaplaincy of the Seventh Mississippi Battalion; but in the meantime the crisis had come—the fate of Vicksburg must first be decided. Nobly did our brother bear his part in this severe contest. He was found unceasingly at his post in the entrenchments. On the twenty-fifth day of the siege, (June 12,) he was wounded in the head by a rifle-ball, which penetrated the brain. Seven days' partial insensibility ended his sufferings. He fell like a Christian soldier—at his post.

WILEY P. DICKERSON was probably born in Georgia. He was brought up, professed religion, and married in Alabama. He was licensed to preach in Kemper county, Miss., and removed to Attala county, Miss., about 1844. He labored as a local preacher until 1848, when he was employed to travel the Choctaw Circuit, which he did in 1848-9, when he was received on trial in the Mississippi Conference. In 1851, he became a member of the Conference, and so remained until his death, which occurred Dec. 11, 1862. He was by nature endowed with an uncommonly strong constitution; he had a mild and teachable disposition; his affections were strong and ardent; energy was one of the prominent traits of his character; he had a clear, strong, manly voice, inspiring the righteous with hope and consolation, and the wicked with fear and trembling. Few men have commenced their itinerant labors among us under more disadvantageous circumstances. He was poor, had a large family, and very little education; yet few men have been more successful in their ministerial labors. His labors most abounded in the counties of Choctaw, Winston, and Attala. You can scarcely visit a class-meeting or love-feast where you will not find those who have been converted and brought into the Church through his instrumentality. He was ardently attached to the Church, and labored for her interest with an unceasing zeal. His piety was deep, genuine, and constant. He was loved and esteemed, and his ministerial labors were highly appreciated by his neighbors. Those of us who knew him best loved him most. As a citizen, he was noble and honorable; as a husband, he was loving and kind; as a father, he was firm, indulgent, and good. During the year that he labored on the Greensboro Mission his strong constitution gave way, and we think that he never fully recovered. He was taken sick Nov. 12, 1862. His sickness lasted twenty-eight days. He seems to have had no presentiment of his death until a short time before it occurred; but, when the messenger came, the old soldier had his armor on. At three o'clock P.M., he had his wife called up, and exultingly said, "I am safe." His last words—spoken to his wife—were: "Raise the children for God, and follow me as I have followed the Lord."

Ques. 15. Are all the preachers blameless in their life and official administration? Their names were called over, one by one, and their characters examined and passed.

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

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

No report.

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

No report.

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

No report.

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

At Crystal Springs, Miss.

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

NATCHEZ DISTRICT.

William B. Hines, P. E.

Natchez Station, George H. Clinton.

Kingston, William H. Watkins.

Buffalo, Robert D. Nosworthy.

Woodville, W. T. J. Sullivan.

Woodville Colored Mission, E. F. Mullins.

Wilkinson, Thomas W. Brown.

Wilkinson Colored Mission, P. S. Petty.

Percy Creek and Tunica, Henry J. Harris.

Clinton (La.), Patrick Lane.

East Feliciana, J. A. Godfrey, D. S. Oswald.

Jackson (La.), James L. Forsyth.

Thompson's Creek Colored Mission, to be supplied.

East Baton Rouge, to be supplied.

Port Hudson and Plains, to be supplied.

Centenary College, John C. Miller, President.

Samuel T. Swinny.*

Eraustas R. Strickland, left without appointment.

FAYETTE DISTRICT.

Benjamin Jones, P. E.

Fayette Circuit, George F. Thompson, Henry M. Youngblood.

North Jefferson Colored Mission, W. B. Lewis.

South Jefferson Colored Mission, I. B. Robertson.

Adams County Colored Mission, W. Wadsworth.

Meadville, Robert A. Sibley.

Scotland, William G. Millsaps.

Homochitto Mission, John D. Willis.


Burtonton Colored Mission, to be supplied.

Cayuga, Charles T. French.

Rocky Springs, Daniel A. J. Parker.

Port Gibson and Colored Mission, to be supplied.

Pinckney A. Johnson, Chaplain in C. S. Army.

William W. Drake.*

VICKSBURG DISTRICT.

John Luak, P. E.

Vicksburg, to be supplied.

Warren, to be supplied.

North Warren, to be supplied.

Clinton Colored Mission, James S. Harris.

Jackson (Miss.) Station, Corydon Chamberlain.

Raymond and Spring Ridge, Henry P. Lewis.

Rankin, Richard T. Hennington.

Concord, William Price.


John J. Wheat, Army Missionary.

GREENVILLE DISTRICT.

James McLenan, P. E.

Greenville, to be supplied.

Greenville and Upper Deer Creek Mission, W. T. Ashford.

Deer Creek, to be supplied.

Sunflower, Thomas W. Flowers.

YAZOO DISTRICT.

Humphrey Williamson, P. E.

Yazoo City, Joseph Carr.

Yazoo Circuit, Thomas C. Parrish.

Mount Olivet, Francis M. Featherston.

Ebenezer, John J. Clark.

Honey Island Colored Mission, to be supplied.

Lexington and Richland, Lorenzo Eeanbrack.

Holmes, Joseph D. Newsom.

Black Hawk, William P. Barton.

Sidon Colored Mission, Samuel D. Akin.

Carrollton, Parmenas Howard.

Greenwood, John D. Shaw.

Whitefield Harrington, Army Missionary.

John W. McCrary, left without appointment.

STARKVILLE DISTRICT.

James G. Carlisle, P. E.

Starkville and Pierce Chapel, E. H. Mounger.

Octibbeha and Colored Mission, Jas. O. Woodward.

Wenona, Louis Kendall.

Bankston, Asbury R. Hines.

Greensboro, Hinniord Townsend.

Lime Creek, Thomas W. Castles.

Webster, William R. Rainey.

Louisville, Alexander J. Smith.

Attala, George D. Wade.

SHARON DISTRICT.

Josiah M. Pugh, P. E.

Canton Station, Nathaniel S. Cornell.


Vernon and The Army, Charles G. Andrews.

Livingston and Pearl River, R. W. Lambuth.

Madison Colored Mission, Harvey Copeland.


Carthage, James K. Hamblen.

* In the C. S. Army.
Mississippi Conference, 1864.

Hillsboro, James N. Walker.  
Decatur, Thomas W. Hines.  
Philadelphia, George Jackson.

William F. Camp, General Agent of the Soldiers' Tract Association of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South.  
George W. Boyles.*  

PAULDING DISTRICT.  
Burwell B. Whittington, P. E.

Handsboro and Biloxi, Wallace W. Graves.  
Columbia, Walter W. Hurst.  
Gainesville Mission, Michael Cox.  
Trenton, James English.  
Mount Olive, Harvey F. Johnson.  
{ Paulding, Ransom J. Jones, Jr.  
{ Beaver Dam Mission, Kenneth A. Jones.  
Garlandsville and Moore's Plantations, John D. Hays.  
Ochay, to be supplied.  
Tallahala, to be supplied.  
Black Creek Mission, David Merchant.  
Newton B. Young.*  

*In the C. S. Army.  

BROOKHAVEN DISTRICT.  
Joseph Nicholson, P. E.

Brookhaven Station, John A. B. Jones.  
Monticello, David W. Dillehay.  
Pearl River, Peter E. Green.  
Crystal Springs, W. Finn, George J. Mortimer.  
Holmesville, Andrew Day, W. H. Germany.  
Amite, Ephraim A. Flowers.  
Franklintown Mission, John A. Vance.  
Arcola, Jarrott W. McNeil.  
German Mission, Auguste Gottschall.  
Livingston Mission, Christopher B. Godfrey.  
Covington, Samuel K. Russ.  

James W. Lambuth, Missionary to China.  
J. T. Curtis, transferred to Georgia Conference.  
Samuel W. Speer, transferred to Louisville Conference.  
Jas. T. Burke, C. W. Campbell, discontinued.  
The following brethren were left without appointments, not because of any complaints against them, but because the state of the country is such that no appropriate place can be had for them—viz., John G. Jones, W. B. Johnson, Charles A. McNeill, James H. Shelton, Richard Abbey, Henry T. Lewis.

9.—MISSISSIPPI CONFERENCE.  
HELD AT CRYSTAL SPRINGS, MISS., NOVEMBER 23-27, 1864.  
BISHOP PAINE, PRESIDENT; H. J. HARRIS, SECRETARY.

QUESTION 1. Who are admitted on trial?  
ANSWER. Green Millsaps, Samuel E. Hale, Chas. F. Evans, Columbus W. Campbell, George Morrison.  

Ques. 2. Who remain on trial?  

Ques. 3. Who are admitted into full connection?  
Walter W. Hunt, Michael Cox, Robert D. Norsworthy, James K. Hamblen.  

Ques. 4. Who are readmitted?  
Franklin W. Sharbroug, Robt. B. Donner.  

Ques. 5. Who are received by transfer from other Conferences?  
None.  

Ques. 6. Who are the deacons of one year?  
None.  

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

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

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

Ques. 10. What local preachers are elected and ordained elders?  
E. M. Alford, Robt. Middleton, Daniel Loftin, Stephen Johnson.†  

* Elected, but not ordained.  
† Former election affirmed, but not ordained.
Mississippi Conference, 1864.

Ques. 11. Who have located this year? None.
Ques. 14. What preachers have died during the past year? William M. Curtiss, John R. Lambuth. 2.

William M. Curtiss was born in Norway, Herkimer county, N. Y., Aug. 6, 1798. He grew up with correct moral habits, and received what was then considered a liberal education. When about twenty-two years of age, he came to Mississippi as a teacher, and engaged in his profession in the vicinity of Cane Ridge, in Jefferson county. He soon became much esteemed on account of the purity of his morals, gentlemanly deportment, and superior intelligence. Cane Ridge Church, since so famous in the history of Methodism, had but recently been organized, and was now in the first stage of its prosperity. Mr. Curtiss was an attentive listener at the various appointments for preaching and prayer-meeting, and soon, with many other leading members of the community, became deeply interested in his personal salvation. On Nov. 16, 1821, he united himself with the Church, and soon professed “a knowledge of salvation in the remission of his sins.” Soon after his conversion, one of the younger brethren, in a private conversation, said to him, “Brother Curtiss, you were so unblamable in your outward deportment, it seemed to be very easy for you to obtain the pardon of your sins and an evidence of your acceptance through Christ.” With emotion he replied, “Nay, my brother; I was outwardly moral, but I had a desperately depraved, wicked, and unbelieving heart to contend against.” Soon after his accession to the Church, as was the almost universal custom in those better days, he was called on by the older members to read a chapter, give out a hymn, and lead in prayer in the society and neighborhood prayer-meetings. Already he began to feel “inwardly moved by the Holy Ghost to preach the gospel,” but what he considered his utter want of suitable qualifications for a work of such importance, combined with his excessive modesty, imposed on him for a time to keep the matter locked up in his own heart, until “the word of the Lord was like fire in his bones.” In the excess of his anxiety on this subject, he said, “O that God would lead some one to converse with me on this point, to whom I might freely unbosom myself, and obtain relief in some way!” God soon granted his request. There was in the Church a most lovely Christian woman, then in the prime of life, by the name of Abigail Scott, the wife of the class-leader. She evidently possessed an extraordinary gift in the way of finding out the Lord’s chosen vessels, and leading them into their appropriate work. She assisted her husband in maturing a plan to get Brother Curtiss to give an exhortation at one of the general prayer-meetings, and, after the audience was dismissed, she said to him, “Brother Curtiss, do you not feel that the Lord has something more for you to do in the Church than you are doing?” Here was a question to which his honest piety would not permit him to evade. “I do, Sister Scott,” said he, and immediately began to unburden his palpitation heart by telling her and her husband the history of his struggles on this subject. The matter was soon looked into by the Church-authorities, and it became a settled conviction that Brother Curtiss was called of God to preach the gospel. In the meantime he had become a great admirer of Wesley’s Sermons, and read and studied them carefully in order to improve his personal piety, as well as to qualify him for the work of the ministry; and this fact no doubt gave cast and character to his pulpit-performances in all after life, for his sermons bore the Wesleyan stamp to the end of his ministry. Early in the fall of 1822 he commenced preaching. The writer of this heard his first sermon, and it was quite up to mediocrity, both in matter and style. Having a mind already disciplined to close study, with a memory unusually retentive, he was a very acceptable preacher from the beginning. In the latter part of 1822, he was admitted into the Mississippi Conference, and appointed junior preacher on Tuscaloosa Circuit. After traveling for two years on circuits with more than ordinary acceptability and usefulness, he was stationed for 1825 in the city of Tuscaloosa. In 1826, he sustained a local relation in order to visit his parents in New York, and arrange some temporal matters. By this time his polished manners, deep piety, pastoral qualifications, and above all, his usefulness, designated him as the man for our most important city charges. Re-entering the Conference in December, 1826, he was stationed the following year in the city of Natchez. On Oct. 30, 1827, he was married to Miss Eleanor D. Wailes, who, by her superior intelligence, piety, and zeal, was well qualified to be a co-laborer with him in the pastoral work. The next three years he was stationed in New Orleans, and then returned to Natchez the two succeeding years. He was a member of the General Conference, held in Philadelphia in May, 1832. At this General Conference, a Book, Sunday-school, and Tract Depository was established in New Orleans, and Brother Curtiss was elected Agent for the succeeding four years. At the General Conference of 1836, the Depository at New Orleans was discontinued, and at the next meeting of the Mississippi Conference, he asked for and obtained a location. His family had increased on his hands until he allowed himself to believe that they could not be supported and suitably educated if he continued in the itinerancy. How much distrust of Providence was implied in this, we may not decide. From this time until he left New Orleans in 1850, he engaged in several money-making enterprises; but though he was untiring in his industry, and strictly honest in all his transac-
tions, he was not ultimately successful in any. Perhaps his greatest error as a financier was an attempt to do too much with too little capital, and in too short a time. He always seemed anxious to secure a competency for his family in as short a time as possible, that he might again return, unembarrassed, to his appropriate work. During his book agency, and the fourteen years of his local relation in New Orleans, he was not only active in all the duties of a local ministry, but frequently supplied the place of an absent or deceased pastor, with his usual acceptability and usefulness. He remained in the city during the worst epidemics, and faithfully visited and administered to the bodily and spiritual comfort of the sick and dying. In connection with the regular pastors, he devoted much of his time and pecuniary resources to the extension and building up of the Methodist Church in various parts of the city, until New Orleans became an inviting field for ministerial labor. About this time he was invited by the Trustees of Payne's Academy at Paynesville, Miss., to take charge of it as Principal; he accepted the invitation, and transferred his membership thither. His old friends and ministerial brethren in Mississippi gave him and his amiable and accomplished family a most cordial welcome, and for several years the Academy prospered as it never had before; but it was the property of the county, and a difficulty occurred in the Board of Trustees as to what denomination should have the controlling influence in it, and it began to decline, as all his other plans, outside of the regular pastoral work, had herefore done. He now determined to devote himself to that work to which God had called him in his youth, and in which he had spent so many happy and useful years. He was readmitted into the Mississippi Conference in December, 1855, and was stationed in Jackson, La. The feebleness of age being upon him, the succeeding five years he labored on the smaller stations in the northern portions of the Conference. At the Conference held in Canton late in 1861, he reluctantly consented to be placed on the superannuated list, feeling anxious to continue in the regular work to the close of life. His family was settled in the city, and he spent the following year at home, doing what he could for the good of the Church. On Jan. 30, 1863, he went to Hazlehurst and back on the cars, which gave him a violent cold, which brought on catarrhal fever, of which he died Feb. 9. During his illness he often spoke to his family and brethren of his sure prospect of going to heaven. The last days of his illness he was closely attended by the pastor of his family, the Rev. J. A. B. Jones, who several times inquired into the state of his religious feelings, to which he would most emphatically reply, "All is well." On the evening before his death, all his family being present, except one son and son-in-law, in the army, they united with their pastor in prayer to God that he might be permitted to die fully conscious, which was granted. On the morning of his death, the family again knelt around his bed in prayer, being led by their pastor. As soon as prayer began, he folded his hands upon his heart, turned his face and eyes heavenward, and though his utterance was gone, he continued to move his lips and hands as he usually did when praying, or responding to prayer, until the prayer closed, when he bowed his head, and quietly ceased to breathe, without a gasp or the contortion of a muscle. "I felt," said one present, "that Jesus and the holy angels were there." His funeral sermon was preached the day after his death, by the Rev. J. A. B. Jones, from 2 Tim. iv. 7, 8, and his remains were buried in Sharon, where sleep a large number of the sainted dead.

JOHN R. LAMBUTH, son of the Rev. Mr. Lambuth, was born in Kentucky. He was licensed to preach in 1821, and admitted on trial in the Kentucky Conference in September of the same year. He and the Rev. Benj. M. Drake were transferred by Bishop George the same year to the Mississippi Conference, and appointed together to the Cahawba Circuit in Alabama, 1822. In 1823, Brother Lambuth traveled Franklin Circuit in Alabama; in 1824, Tombigbee Circuit, Ala.; 1825, Atakapas Circuit, La.; 1826 and 1827, Mobile Mission. To Brother Lambuth's labor and zeal is due the planting of Methodism in the city of Mobile. He built the first Methodist Church there, which was afterward called "The Bee-hive." Many swarms went out thence, and the little vine became very fruitful. He sowed in tears, and before the Master called, reaped a plentiful harvest in this field. He located at the end of 1827, and settled in Greene county, Ala. Though local, he was not idle, but was employed most of the time by his Presiding Elders. He removed to Madison county, Miss., twenty-two years ago, where he labored as a local preacher effectually, and profited many. In 1853, he was employed part of the time in Jackson Station, Miss. At the close of that year, he was readmitted by the Mississippi Conference, and appointed to Jackson Station for 1854; 1855, Raymond and Spring Ridge; 1856, Camden Circuit; 1857, Clinton Circuit; 1858, superannuated and employed part of the year on Vernon and Livingston; 1859, Raymond and Spring Ridge; 1860, Livingston Circuit and Mission; 1861, 1862, 1863, 1864, superannuated, employed part of the time. He sickened in October, 1864, and after lingering about three weeks, he passed triumphantly away, Nov. 6, 1864. Brother Lambuth beautifully illustrated in his life the gentleness, meekness, wisdom, and goodness of the gospel. He lived religiously, happily, and died triumphantly, cheerfully resigning all to God. His dying words were, "Bless the Lord!"

Ques. 15. Are all the preachers blameless in their life and official administration? Their names were called over, one by one, and their characters examined and passed.

Ques. 16. What is the number of preachers and members in the several circuits, stations, and missions of the Conference?
So much of the Conference territory is overrun by the Federal army, that only partial reports were made, showing only 7,266 white members, 2,349 white probationers, 2,803 colored members, 1,315 colored probationers.

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

$10,995.

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

Collected: $7,600

$1000 of this amount was paid to Bishop Paine, the balance distributed pro rata among the several claimants.

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

No report.

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

At Lexington, Miss.

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

NATCHEZ DISTRICT.
James A. Godfrey, P. E.

Natchez Station, William H. Watkins.
Kingston, Thomas W. Brown.
Buffalo, Columbus W. Campbell.
Macedonia, Robert D. Norsworthy.
Woodville, Wm. T. J. Sullivan.
Woodville Colored Mission, Elisha F. Mullins.
Wilkinson, William B. Hines.
Percy's Creek and Tunica, Phil. S. Petty, Sam'l T. Swinney.
Clinton, La., Patrick Lane.
East Feliciana, Jas. L. Forsyth, Dan'l S. Oswald.
Jackson, La., Henry J. Harris.
East Baton Rouge, Christopher R. Godfrey.
Port Hudson and Plains, to be supplied.
German Mission, Auguste Gottschall.
Centenary College, John C. Miller, President.

FAYETTE DISTRICT.
Benjamin Jones, P. E.

Port Gibson, to be supplied.
† Fayette, Wm. Wadsworth, Ira B. Robertson.
† North Jefferson Colored Mission, Charles A. McNeil.
† South Jefferson Col'd Mission, to be supplied.
† Adams Colored Mission, Wm. W. Drake.
† Meadville Mission, Robert A. Sibley.
† Scotland, Henry M. Youngblood, George W. Alexander.
† Scotland Colored Mission, to be supplied.
† Homochitto Mission, George F. Thompson.
† Bayou Pierre, John B. Bowen.
† Bayou Pierre Col'd Mission, to be supplied.
† Burtonton, William G. Millsaps.
† Burtonton Colored Mission, Andrew J. Wheat.
† Cayuga, Charles T. French.

Rocky Springs, Daniel Andrew Jackson Parker.
Pinckney A. Johnson, Chaplain C. S. Army.

VICKSBURG DISTRICT.
John Lusk, P. E.

Vicksburg, John Lusk.
Warren, John Lusk.
Clinton and North Warren, to be supplied.
Jackson Station, Corydon Chamberlin.
Raymond and Spring Ridge, to be supplied.
Rankin, John J. Wheat.
Concord, William Price.
Pearl River Mission, James S. Harris.
James H. Shelton, Missionary Chaplain to C. S. Army.

GREENVILLE DISTRICT.
James McLemore, P. E.

Greenville and American Bend, Joseph Carr.
Greenville and Upper Deer Creek Mission, Wm. T. Ashford.
Deer Creek, to be supplied.
Sunflower Mission, Thomas W. Flowers.
Bolivar, to be supplied.

YAZOO DISTRICT.
Humphrey Williamson, P. E.

Yazoo City, William B. Lewis.
Yazoo Circuit, Thomas C. Parrish.
Mount Olivet Mission, John J. Clark.
Big Black Mission, Francis M. Featherston.
Ebeneser, to be supplied.
Lexington and Richland, Lorenzo Ercanbrack.
Holmes, Joseph D. Newsom.
Black Hawk, William P. Barton.
Sidon, John D. Shaw.
Carrollton, Parmenas Howard.
Greenwood, Louis Kendall.

STARKVILLE DISTRICT.
James G. Carlisle, P. E.

Starkville and Pierce Chapel, E. H. Monnger.
Octibbeha and Colored Mission, Wm. R. Rainey.
Wenona, Asbury R. Hines.
Bankston, to be supplied.
Greensboro, Hinniard Townsend.
Line Creek, Thomas W. Castles.
Webster, James O. Woodward.
Attala, George D. Wade.
Louisville, Andrew J. Smith.
Humphrey C. Buck, C. S. Army.

SHARON DISTRICT.
Josiah M. Pugh, P. E.

Canton, Charles F. Evans.
Sharon, Henderson H. Montgomery, John W. Adams, Sup.
Vernon, William E. Ballard.
† Livingston and Pearl River, R. W. Lambuth.
† Madison Mission, Hervey Copeland.
Louisiana and Virginia Conferences, 1864.

Camden, Nathan S. Cornell.
Sulphur Springs, Thomas M. Ward.
Carthage, James K. Hamblen.
\{ Union, Thomas W. Hines.
\{ Chunky Mission, to be supplied.
Hillsboro, Green Millsaps.
Philadelphia, George Jackson.
Sharon Female College, Samuel D. Akin.

George W. Boyls, Chaplain to C. S. Army.

PAULDING DISTRICT.
Burwell E. Whittington, P. E.

Westville, John A. Vance.
Mount Carmel, Henry P. Lewis.
Trenton, Ransom J. Jones, Jr.
Mount Olive, Harvey F. Johnson.
Lake and Colored Mission, Arch. B. Nicholson.
Garlandsville, James English.
Paulding, John D. Hays.
Beaver Dam Mission, Franklin W. Sharbrough.
Oocha, to be supplied.
Ellisville Mission, Samuel E. Hale.
Black Creek, David Merchant.

HANDSBORO DISTRICT.
Kenneth A. Jones, P. E.

Handboro and Biloxi, Wallace W. Graves.

Red Creek, Michael Cox.
Columbia, Walter W. Hunt.
Gainesville Mission, to be supplied.
Pearl River, Andrew Day.
China Grove, to be supplied.
Franklin, Henry D. Berry.
Covington, Robert B. Downer.
Chefunkta Mission, to be supplied.
Livingston, Samuel K. Russ.

Newton B. Young, Chaplain C. S. Army.

BROOKHAVEN DISTRICT.
Joseph Nicholson, P. E.

Brookhaven Station, John A. B. Jones.
Brookhaven Circuit and Colored Mission, Peter E. Green.
Monticello, Richard T. Hennington.
Crystal Springs and Hazlehurst, J. W. McLNeil.
Georgetown, William Finn, George J. Mortimer.
Holmesville, Willis H. Germany.
Amite, Ephraim A. Flowers.
St. Helena, Erastus R. Strickland.
Greensburg, W. H. Hartley.
Arcola, David W. Dillehay.

George Morrison, Mabry’s Brigade.
J. M. Turner, transferred to Texas Conference.
James W. Lambuth, Missionary to China.
George H. Clinton, Thomas Price, John G. Jones, William B. Johnson, Henry T. Lewis, Richard Abbey, and John W. McCrary, were left without appointments, owing to the state of the country.

10.—LOUISIANA CONFERENCE.

[NO MINUTES FOR 1864 RECEIVED.]

11.—VIRGINIA CONFERENCE.

HELD AT LYNCHBURG, VA., NOVEMBER 17-25, 1864.

WILLIAM A. SMITH, PRESIDENT; PAUL WHITEHEAD, SECRETARY.

QUESTION 1. Who are admitted on trial?
ANSWER. Benjamin A. Hawkins. 1.

Ques. 2. Who remain on trial?
Robert Hardie, Jr. (deacon), Wesley Hammond, Thomas P. Wise, Francis M. Edwards (elder), Thomas M. Beckham, W. S. Williams, Edward N. S. Blogg. 7.

Ques. 3. Who are admitted into full connection?

Ques. 4. Who are readmitted?
None.
Richmond, Centenary .

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

Thomas S. Wade, Stewart S. Ryder, L. B. Madison .

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

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

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


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

Rowland Doggett, Herbert T. Bacon .

Ques. 9. Who are the deacons of one year?


Ques. 10. Who have located this year?

Robert L. Scott, James W. Grant .

Ques. 11. Who have located this year?

Samuel C. Allen .

Ques. 12. Who are supernumerary?


Ques. 13. Who are supernumerary?


Ques. 14. Who have passed during the past year?

None .

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

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

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

Richmond:

**Richmond, District, (continued.)**

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**Farmville District.**

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**Fredericksburg District.**

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**Petersburg District.**

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Total this year | 25,877 | 2697 | 2279 | 259 | 118 |
Total last year | 25,699 | 2651 | 3560 | 423 | 197 |
Increase | 288 | 47 | 53 | 40 | 29 |
Decrease | 184 | 37 | 134 | 19 |

Ques. 17. What amounts are necessary for the superannuated preachers, and the widows and orphans of preachers, and to make up the deficiences of those who have not obtained their regular allowance in their respective districts, circuits, and stations? $34,350 58.

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

Collected, (including balance of last year,) $34,350 58

Applied as follows:

To salary of Bishop Early, $5,800
To claimants, including their disciplinary claim and special appropriations, 25,813

Total, 31,613 00

James D. Couling, P. E.

Richmond:

| Centenary     | 316 | 4 | 1 |
| African Mission | 256 | 3 | 1 |
| Clay Street   | 256 | 3 | 1 |
| Oregon        | 256 | 3 | 1 |
| Trinity       | 256 | 3 | 1 |
| Broad Street  | 256 | 3 | 1 |
| Trinity       | 256 | 3 | 1 |
| Union         | 256 | 3 | 1 |
| Manchester    | 256 | 3 | 1 |
| Gloucester    | 256 | 3 | 1 |
| King          | 256 | 3 | 1 |
| Queen         | 256 | 3 | 1 |
| Soldiers' Tract Association | 256 | 3 | 1 |

Leonidas Rosser, Missionary at the Fortifications around Richmond.

John C. Cranberry, Superintendent of Missionaries in Army of Northern Virginia.

George H. Ray, Agent for the Richmond Christian Advocate.

P. F. August, William E. Edwards, Robert Hardie, Jr., Chaplains in C. S. Army.

CHARLOTTESVILLE DISTRICT.

J. H. Davis, P. E.

Charlottesville, John S. Lindsay.

Albemarle, Henry C. Cheatham.

Nelson, Charles V. Bingley, J. A. Crowder.

Batesville, George C. Vanderslice.

Scottsville, Paul Whitehead, Wilbur F. Robins, H. H. Gary, Sup.
Fluvanna, William J. Hunter.
Goochland, Henry M. Linney.
Hanover, W. G. Lumpkin, R. B. Beadles, Sup.
Louisa, Davis P. Wills.
Orange, William H. Camper.
Madison, Edgar H. Pritchett.
\textit{Piedmont Mission, James F. Finnell.}
\textit{Greene, James O. Moss, Z. E. Harrison, Sup.}
Harrisonburg and Bridgewater, J. S. H. Clarke.
Ell Run and Port Republic, T. M. Beckham.
J. J. Laflerty.*
Adam C. Bledsoe, Chaplain in C. S. Army.

LYNCHBURG DISTRICT.
Peter A. Peterson, P. E.

Lynchburg:
\textit{Centenary, Leroy M. Lee, F. M. Edwards.}
\textit{Court Street, R. N. Sneed, G. W. Langhorne.}
\textit{Court Street Colored Mission, to be supplied.}
Amherst, James P. Garland, Robert W. Watts, D. J. C. Slaughter, Sup.
\textit{Bedford, Alexander G. Brown.}
\textit{Porter's Mountain Mission, to be supplied.}
North Bedford, William C. Blount.
Buffalo, John W. F. Jones.
Lexington, John L. Clarke, R. A. Compton.
Pinecastle, Larkin H. Crenshaw.
\textit{Staunton River, Joseph Lear, W. W. Berry.}
\textit{Staunton River Colored Mission, E. A. Gibbs.}
Campbell, A. Wiles, T. P. Wise, J. Sriggs.
Appomattox, Thomas A. Pierce.
Buckingham, James B. Waggoner.
Slate River, James W. Compton.
Cumberland, Samuel S. Lambeth.
Wesley C. Hammond, Chaplain in C. S. Army.

DANVILLE DISTRICT.
William B. Browzie, P. E.

Danville, Charles H. Hall, Thomas H. Early.
Halifax, David M. Wallace.
South of Dan, John G. Bailey, Alex. M. Hall.
Ringgold Mission, Thomas H. Bobbgs.
South Staunton, Robert A. Gregory.
\textit{Franklin, J. E. Potts, B. B. Shelton, Sup.}
\textit{Flint Hill Mission, to be supplied.}
Henry, James J. Lamkin.
Dan River, Lewis H. Greybill.
Patrick, Jacob Shough.
James E. Joyner, Chaplain in C. S. Army.
P. J. Bobbs.*

FARMVILLE DISTRICT.
Nelson Head, P. E.

Farmville, William E. Judkins.
Prince Edward, Jacob Manning, H. C. Bowles.
Charlotte, John F. Poulton, J. D. Southall, Sup.
Lunenburg, Robert Michaela, W. S. Williams.
\textit{Randolph-Macon Circuit, J. Carson Watson, James Jamieson.}
\textit{Union, William Carter.}

*In the C. S. Army.

Boydtown and Clarksville, Jacob H. Proctor, W. C. Vaden.
Nottoway, W. G. Cross, James L. Spencer, Sup.
Amelia, Oscar Littleton, W. J. Norfleet, Sup.
Powhatan, James W. Blincoe.
Brunswick, Lemuel S. Reid, Joseph B. Merritt.
William A. Smith, President of Randolph-Macon College, and Agent of the Soldiers' Orphan Association.

FREDERICKSBURG DISTRICT.
P. E., to be supplied.

Rappahannock, Aaron Boon.
Culpeper, James M. Anderson, Joseph Carson, James F. Brannin, Sup.
Warrenton, James B. Fitzpatrick.
Spotsylvania, James E. McSparren.
King George, James S. Porter.

NORFOLK DISTRICT.
P. E., to be supplied.

Norfolk:
Cumberland Street, Andrew J. Coffinan.
Portsmouth:
\textit{Dinwiddie Street, Thomas Y. Cash.}
Atlantic, Benjamin T. Ames.
Eastville, Lloyd Moore.
Suffolk, Allen R. Bernard, Sup.
Western Virginia and North Carolina Conferences, 1864.

Gates, John W. Wonnycott. 
Indian Ridge, James C. Hummer. 
Hertford, Jeremiah McMullen. 
Edenton, Joseph H. Amiss. 
Elizabeth City, James A. Crowder. 
Pasquotank, James D. Lumsden.

Thomas H. Haynes, John Bayley, Samuel V. Hoyle, John P. Brock, Milton L. Bishop, left without appointments. 
Thomas S. Wade, Stewart S. Ryder, L. B. Madison, transferred to the Western Virginia Conference.

12.—WESTERN VIRGINIA CONFERENCE. 

[NO MINUTES FOR 1864 RECEIVED.]

13.—NORTH CAROLINA CONFERENCE.

[The Minutes do not state where and when the Conference was held, or who presided; only the following questions and answers are given.—En.]

**QUESTION 1.** Who are admitted on trial? 
**ANSWER.** William H. Thompson. 1.

**Ques. 2.** Who remain on trial? 
Charles C. Dodson, Jonathan H. Dally, Wm. C. Wilson, Martin V. Sherrill. 4.

**Ques. 3.** Who are admitted into full connection? 
Calvin J. Plyler, John D. Buie. 2.

**Ques. 4.** Who are readmitted? 
No answer.

**Ques. 5.** Who are received by transfer from other Conferences? 
No answer.

**Ques. 6.** Who are the deacons of one year? 
No answer.

**Ques. 7.** What traveling preachers are elected and ordained deacons? 
Thomas J. Gattis, Edward A. Wilson, Thaddeus L. Troy, Alex. B. Raven. 4.

**Ques. 8.** What local preachers are elected and ordained deacons? 
No answer.

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

**Ques. 10.** What local preachers are elected and ordained elders? 
No answer.

**Ques. 11.** Who have located this year? 
No answer.

**Ques. 12.** Who are supernumerary? 
No answer.

**Ques. 13.** Who are superannuated? 

**Ques. 14.** What preachers have died during the past year? 
No answer.

**Ques. 15.** Are all the preachers blameless in their life and official administration? 
No answer.

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

**Raleigh District.**

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### Recapitulation.

- Raleigh District | 2185 183 66 104 13
- Greensboro | 3214 342 404 142 23
- Trinity College | 2947 223 344 67 12
- Salisbury | 4654 688 1066 245 31
- Washington | 3062 475 873 68 23
- Newbern | 2890 259 1406 525 21
- Wilmington | 3087 434 1629 424 16
- Fayetteville | 4765 678 2600 509 37

Total this year: 26,644 3969 11,142 1784 176
Total last year: 36,013 3066 11,062 1322 190

Increase: 207 462 14
Decrease: 1169

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

No report.

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

No report.

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

No report.

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

No answer.

Ques. 21. Where are the preachers stationed this year?
RALEIGH DISTRICT.
Numa F. Reid, P. E.

Raleigh, B. Craven.
City Mission, to be supplied.
Colored Charge, Wm. E. Pell, A. R. Raven.
Wake Circuit, James B. Bobbitt.
Louieburg, Robert S. Mason.
Tar River, J. H. Wheeler, Wm. Harris.
Person, P. J. Carraway, J. P. Moore.
Chapel Hill, Wm. C. Wilson.
Hillsboro, to be supplied.
N. C. Christian Advocate, Wm. E. Pell, Editor.
Chaplain to Barringer’s Brigade, J. H. Robbins.
Chaplain to Hoke’s Brigade, J. J. Hines.
Chaplain to Tenth Georgia Cavalry, J. D. Buie.
Chaplain to Twenty-second Regiment North Carolina Troops, Wm. H. Moore.
Chaplain to Third Regiment North Carolina Troops, A. D. Betts.
Chaplain to Forty-fourth Regiment North Carolina Troops, R. S. Webb.
Chaplain to Forty-eighth Regiment North Carolina Troops, C. J. Flyler.
Chaplain to Fifty-seventh Regiment North Carolina Troops, J. B. Alford.
Chaplain to Troops south of Wilmington, C. M. Pepper.
Chaplain to Troops south of North Carolina Conference, J. S. Long.

GREENSBORO DISTRICT.
Peter Doub, P. E.

Greensboro, J. W. Tucker.
Guilford, W. B. Richardson.
Fossythe, Charles C. Dodson.
Winston, J. W. Jenkins.
Stokes, S. H. Healsebeck.
Madison, James E. Mann.
Wentworth, M. C. Thomas.
Yanceyville, R. G. Barrett.
Leesburg, James P. Simpson.
Sauratown Mission, to be supplied.

TRINITY COLLEGE DISTRICT.
William Barringer, P. E.

Trinity College and High Point, J. R. Brooks.
Ashboro, Zebedee Rush.
Uwharrie, Isaac F. Keerans.
Davidson, W. D. Meecham.
Thomasville and Lexington, D. R. Bruton.
Alamance, William H. Barnes.

SALISBURY DISTRICT.
Ira T. Wyche, P. E.

Salisbury, A. W. Mangum.
East Rowan, John W. Lewis.
Mocksville, Carson Parker.
Iredell, John Pillett.
South Iredell, Thomas L. Triplett.

Alexander, M. V. Sherrill.
Jonesville, James M. Smoot.
Wilkes, Wm. H. Thompson.
Surry, to be supplied.
Elkin, to be supplied.
Olin High School, Samuel M. Frost, Principal.

WASHINGTON DISTRICT.
L. L. Hender, P. E.

Mattamuskeet, Isham H. Hill.
Roanoke, L. Shell, N. A. H. Goddin, Sup.
Warren, T. R. Kingsbury, T. B. Reeks, Sup.
Warrenton, William H. Wheeler.
Henderson, J. P. Ricard, J. Reid.
Granville, Wm. C. Gannon.
Nashville, Moses J. Hunt.
Tarboro, William Close.
Greenville, Benjamin F. Long.

NEWBERN DISTRICT.
Charles F. Deems, P. E.

Beaufort, John Jones.
Snow Hill, J. B. Martin.
Lenoir, Nathan A. Hooker.
Kingston and Troops in vicinity, J. C. Thomas.
Wilson, James W. Wheeler.
Goldsboro, J. B. Williams, G. F. Deems.
Everittsville, John N. Andrews.
Smithfield, Joseph Wheeler.
Johnson Mission, to be supplied.
Nahaunta Colored Mission, to be supplied.

WILMINGTON DISTRICT.
D. B. Nicholson, P. E.

Wilmington:
Front Street, L. S. Burkhead.
Fifth Street, Simon D. Peeler.
Topsail and New Hanover, T. J. Gattis.
Onslow, William A. Smith.
Duplin, D. C. Johnson.
Magnolia, Daniel Culbreath.
Sampson, Wesley M. Roby.
Bladen, J. B. Bailey.
South River Mission, R. P. Bibb.
Elizabethton, E. A. Yates.
Whitesville, J. H. Dally.
Smithville, Thomas W. Guthrie.
Brunswick, R. N. T. Stevenson.
Cape Fear Mission, to be supplied.

FAYETTEVILLE DISTRICT.
Wm. H. Bobbitt, P. E.

Fayetteville, H. T. Hudson.
Evans Chapel, to be supplied.
Cumberland, C. W. King.
Cape Fear, I. W. Avent, G. Farrar.
Pittboro, O. J. Brent.
Carthage, Robert A. Willis.
Rockingham, S. D. Adams.
Robeson, W. S. Chaffin, P. H. Scovell.
Montgomery, E. H. Wood.
Troy, George E. Wyche.
Chatham, Wm. F. Cleag, T. C. Moses.
Missionary to China, Marcus L. Wood.
14.—SOUTH CAROLINA CONFERENCE.
Held at Newberry, S. C., November 16-21, 1864.

Bishop Pierce, President; F. A. Mood, Secretary.

Question 1. Who are admitted on trial?

Ques. 2. Who remain on trial?

Ques. 3. Who are admitted into full connection?
Richard R. Dagnall, John C. Hartsell, Robert C. Oliver, Jeremiah J. Snow, S. A. Webber. 5.

Ques. 4. Who are re-admitted?
None.

Ques. 5. Who are received by transfer from other Conferences?
George Bright, from Georgia Conference. 1.

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

Ques. 7. What traveling preachers are elected and ordained deacons?
J. C. Hartsell, Robert C. Oliver, Jeremiah J. Snow, Samuel A. Webber. 4.

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

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

Ques. 10. Who are admitted on trial and ordained elders?

Ques. 11. Who have located this year?
Miles Puckett. 1.

Ques. 12. Who are supernumerary?

Ques. 13. Who are superannuated?

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

William Capers Kirkland fell asleep in Jesus, March 29, 1864. He was born in Barnwell District, S. C., Jan. 6, 1814; was converted to God in November, 1832; licensed to preach in January, 1835; admitted into the Conference in January, 1837; ordained deacon in January, 1839; and ordained elder in February, 1841. From the year 1837 to 1850, he received the following appointments:—In 1837, on Winniesboro Circuit; 1833-8, Beaufort Mission; 1840, Cheraw; 1841-2, Camden; 1843, Cumberland Church, Charleston; 1844, Bethel Church, Charleston; 1845-6, Beaufort Mission; 1847-8, Barnwell Circuit; 1849-50, Cypress Circuit. From 1850 to 1858, he had charge of the Pon Pon Mission. During the years 1858-9 he was pastor of the church in Spartanburg. At the close of 1859, his health being feeble, he asked from the Conference the relation of supernumerary. At our last meeting, to the delight of his brethren, his health permitted him to return to the active duties of the itinerancy. Also, the term of his service was brief! But, like a true soldier of the cross, he fell in the field, at his post, and with his armor on. Appointed to the Greenville Circuit, he entered upon his work with the zeal and ardor which always characterized his ministry. In the latter part of March, after preaching in one of the churches of the circuit, with more than his ordinary pathos and power, he became ill. On the following morning he reached the house of Dr. W. H. Austin, where, during two weeks, he suffered from rheumatism and pneumonia, until at length he peacefully expired. Our dear brother was attended by Drs. Thomas C. and William H. Austin, and was nursed with all the careful tenderness of the warmest Christian affection. His remains repose in the cemetery of Spartanburg. Brother Kirkland was an exceedingly amiable, sweet-spirited man—a Christian resembling in the graces of his character the innocent to whom the Saviour pointed the disciples—and a noble Methodist minister.

"In his tongue was the law of kindness," and in
his heart a fountain of love. His preaching had the charm of simplicity, and was directed, with evident singleness of purpose, to the consciences of his hearers. Faithfully, lovingly, often with flashing eye and a voice unwearied with emotion, he pointed the impenitent, the mourner, and the Christian to the cross of Jesus, as the only refuge of man. As a pastor, visiting the sick, comforting the afflicted, advising the perplexed, praying with the tempted, and feeding the Saviour's lambs, he was remarkably successful. Our brother died—as only the true Christian can die—in perfect peace, assured of his acceptance with God through our Lord Jesus Christ. His mind, from disease and the medicines administered, was somewhat confused before his death; but still he was the same gentle, patient saint he had been in health. When asked if Jesus was with him in the dark valley, he replied, "I see, and so he died.

ALGERNON SIDNEY LINK, a native of Catawba county, N. C., died at his father's house, Nov. 14, 1864, in the twenty-sixth year of his age. Being religiously trained, he was from his childhood piously inclined, and in his sixteenth year piously inclined, and in his sixteenth year professionally trained, and united with the Church. In the latter part of the year 1859 he was admitted on trial into the South Carolina Conference, and was sent to the Walterboro Circuit. He was ordained deacon and elder, and appointed successively to Conwayboro Mission, Rock Hill, and Lexington Circuits, and to the Wadesboro Station. Early in the year, after reaching Wadesboro, his health declined to such a degree as to make his release from the work a necessity. He continued to suffer from dyspepsia and pulmonary disease, but he was patient through all his afflictions. On one occasion he remarked that the grave would be a peaceful resting-place for his body, while his spirit reposed in Abraham's bosom. He was in his right mind to the last, and, when near death, smiled, asked his mother to kiss him, and entreated all present to meet him in heaven.

JAMES F. WILSON was born in Marlboro District, S. C., Feb. 4, 1838; joined the Methodist Church in May, 1852; experienced pardon in August, 1853; and died in Darlington District, Jan. 13, 1864. He was licensed to preach in 1859, and admitted on trial in the South Carolina Conference in December, 1860. He labored in 1861 on Chesterfield Circuit; in 1862, on Darlington Circuit; in 1863, on Chesterfield; and was appointed the present year to Darlington Circuit. His feeble health prevented his doing full work the last two years. The more intimate friends of Brother Wilson alone can measure the loss the Church sustains in his death. He was a hearty Methodist preacher, desiring nothing else besides the life, fortunes, and death of an itinerant. His heart was strong in friendship, sympathetic in affections, and ever in the circle of Christian charity. Observer of duty, spiritual in worship, ever jealous for the Church and zealous for God, a growth in grace and usefulness marked his short ministry. His great pulpit labors may have contributed somewhat to an earlier termination of his course. Such was the clearness of his call to preach, and the humble view of his abilities—so fully did he apprehend the responsibilities of the ministry and the worth of souls—that his natural earnestness, imbued by the Spirit of Christ, would not seemingly permit him to preach otherwise. But the work of a good man and a useful preacher is done. With many besides, he has left a deeply bereaved wife and child to mourn his loss. He spoke often of his approaching end, of his readiness, and of his "precious hope" beyond. His end was truly peaceful.

W. M. WILSON was admitted into the South Carolina Conference as a member on trial in December, 1860. He was appointed, the first and second years of his ministry, to the Walterboro Mission; and the third year he was appointed to the Georgetown Station and Sampit Mission. Early after entering upon his work on the City Colored Mission, in Charleston, in 1864, his health began to fail; rapid consumption was developed, and he fell asleep in Jesus, Sept. 1, 1864. Brother Wilson was a young man of studious habits, prudent conduct, unflagging zeal, and devoted piety. During his sickness he was patient and submissive, and was never heard to murmur or complain. About three hours before his death he awoke out of a sweet sleep, exclaiming, "Bless the Lord, O my soul, and all that is within me bless his holy name!" His wife asked him if all was well—if Jesus was still precious to his soul. He answered, "The Lord is with me, and I am nearly home." In a few moments he breathed his last.

Ques. 15. Are all the preachers blameless in their life and official administration?
Their names were called over, one by one, and their characters examined and passed.

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

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

$7,500.
Ques. 18. What has been collected on the foregoing accounts, and how has it been applied?
Collected, $18,068 92
Divided among the several claimants, according to the Discipline.
Ques. 19. What has been contributed for the Missionary, Sunday-school, and Tract Societies?
For Missions, $63,813 07
For Sunday-schools, 1,721 71
Ques. 20. Where and when shall the next session of the Conference be held?
At Charlotte, N. C.
Ques. 21. Where are the preachers stationed this year?

CHARLESTON DISTRICT.
Thomas Raynor, P. E.
Charleston, E. J. Meynardie.
Charleston Colored Mission, F. A. Mood, W. A. Hodges.
St. Bartholomew Circuit, J. W. D. Crook.
Walterboro, J. J. Snow.
Horse-shoe Mission, A. Nettles.
St. Andrew's Mission, J. E. Penny.
Pon Pon Mission, P. G. Bowman.
Ashepoo and Combahee Mission, J. W. Coward.
Bamberg, A. J. Stokes.
Allendale, J. W. McRoy.
Prince William, to be supplied.
Black Swamp, M. L. Banks.
Hardenville Circuit, D. W. Seale.
Savannah River Mission, W. J. E. Fripp.
Army Mission, A. B. Stephens.
F. A. Mood, Chaplain to Charleston Hospitals.
B. Jenkins, Missionary to China.

ORANGEBURG DISTRICT.
A. M. Christberg, P. E.
Orangburg Circuit, George Bright.
St. Matthew's, A. McCorkedale.
Upper Orange, L. M. Little.
Graniteville Mission, J. R. Pickett.
Aiken, to be supplied.
Barnwell and Silverton Mission, J. R. Coburn,
W. W. Graham, Sup.
Blackville, W. Hutto, R. B. Tarrant.
Providence, J. S. Conner.
St. George's, C. Wilson.
Summerville, J. A. Mood.
Mount Holly Mission, G. W. Byrd.
St. James's Goose Creek, to be supplied.
Cooper River, J. L. Sifley.
Cooper River Mission, to be supplied.
J. W. Miller, Chaplain to Hospitals at Summerville.

MARION DISTRICT.
T. R. Walsh, P. E.
Marion Street, B. J. Boyd.
Marion Circuit, M. A. McKibben, one to be supplied.
Brownsville, S. Jones.
Liberty Circuit and Lynch's Creek, J. B. Campbell, O. Raddy.
Kingstree Circuit and Mission, J. W. Murray, one to be supplied.
Darlington, W. A. Gamsewell.
Darlington Circuit, L. M. Hamer, one to be supplied.
Lynchburg, Joseph Parker.
Black River Circuit, J. C. Stoll.
Georgetown and Sampit Mission, T. Mitchell.
Black River and Pedee Mission, John A. Wood.
Waccamaw Mission, Charles Betts.
Conwayboro, D. J. McMillan.
Conwayboro Circuit, A. Erwin, one to be supplied.
W. A. Hemingway, Chaplain Fourth Military District.
W. S. Black, Post Chaplain at Florence.
A. J. Stafford,* G. H. Wells,* E. T. R. Fripp,*
J. H. Tart.*

COLUMBIA DISTRICT.
C. H. Fritchard, P. E.
Columbia:
Washington Street, W. G. Connor.
Marion Street, Frederick Auld.
Colored People, W. Martin.
Congaree Mission, N. Talley.
Columbia Circuit, J. J. Workman.
Riehland Fork Mission, C. McLeod.
Fairfield, J. W. Kelly, J. T. Kilgo.
Chester, Samuel Leard.
Sandy River Mission, R. R. Dagnall.
Rocky Mount, A. J. Cauthen.
Camden, J. T. Wightman.
Wateree Mission, J. L. Shuford.
Sumter, D. J. Simmons.
Sumter Circuit, J. W. North.
Bishopville, P. F. Kistler, A. W. Walker, Sup.
Upper Santee Mission, T. W. Munnerlyn.
Manchester Mission, J. L. Stoudemire.
Manning, W. W. Mood.
Columbia Female College, H. M. Mood, President.
Manning Brown, Chaplain Second South Carolina Cavalry.

COKESBURY DISTRICT.
S. H. Brown, P. E.
Cokesbury Circuit, W. F. Mouzon.
Abbeville, T. G. Herbert, J. Attaway.
Ninety-six, A. L. Smith.
Mapleton Circuit, T. S. Daniel.
Edgefield, W. A. Clarke.
Butler, P. L. Herman.
Newberry Station, J. W. Humbert.
Newberry Circuit, J. H. Zimmerman, one to be supplied.
Lower Saluda River Mission, S. Townsend.
Laurens Circuit, W. A. McSwain, J. B. Little.

* In the C. S. Army.
Georgia Conference, 1864.

15.—GEORGIA CONFERENCE.

HELD AT ATHENS, GA., January 4–10, 1865.

BISHOP PIERCE, President; J. Blakeley Smith, Secretary.

QUESTION 1. Who are admitted on trial?

ANSWER. George T. Embry, Peter A. Heard, Ambrose N. Hollifield. 3.

Ques. 2. Who remain on trial?


Ques. 3. Who are admitted into full connection?


Ques. 4. Who are readmitted?

None.
Ques. 5. Who are received by transfer from other Conferences? None.


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


Ques. 14. What preachers have died during the past year? John W. Brady, Eli Bennett. 2.

No memoirs.

Ques. 15. Are all the preachers blameless in their life and official administration? Their names were called over, one by one, and their characters examined and passed, except W. J. Scott, who was charged with slander and falsehood, found guilty, and suspended for one year; Marshall P. Maisby, who was charged with assault and battery, and reprimanded by the Bishop; Joseph T. Smith, who was left in the hands of his Presiding Elder, there being complaints against him; and W. A. J. Fulton—having fled the country, under a charge of bigness and theft—who was expelled.

Ques. 16. What is the number of preachers and members in the several circuits, stations, and missions of the Conference? None.

Ques. 17. What amounts are necessary for the superannuated preachers, and the widows and orphans of preachers, and to make up the deficiencies of those who have not obtained their regular allowance in their respective districts, circuits, and stations? $14,735.

Ques. 18. What has been collected on the foregoing accounts, and how has it been applied? Collected, $28,526 55

Distributed among the claimants.

Ques. 19. What has been contributed for the Missionary, Sunday-school, and Tract Societies? No report.

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

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

**AUGUSTA DISTRICT.**

J. O. A. Clarke, P. E.

Augusta:

St. John's, James E. Evans.
St. James's, George Kramer.
Asbury and Trinity, D. D. Cox.

Savannah:

Trinity and Wesley Chapel, A. M. Wynn.
Andrew Chapel, to be supplied.

Springfield, F. F. Reynolds.

Sylvania, James Jones.
Bethel and Colored Mission, N. D. Morehouse.
Waynesboro, Lewis L. Ledbetter, W. C. Rowland.

Burke Colored Mission, T. B. Lanier.
Louisville and Colored Mission, D. R. McWilliams.
Louisville and Concord Mission, A. T. Mann.
H. D. Murphy.
Columbia and Colored Mission, J. S. Hopkins.
D. W. Calhoun.
Warrenton, J. M. Dickey.

Gibson Mission, J. T. Curtis.

Georgia Relief and Hospital Association, W. H. Potter, Superintendent.
Southern Christian Advocate, E. H. Myers, Editor.

W. M. Crumley, Chaplain to Georgia Hospitals at Richmond, Va.
L. B. Payne, Missionary to Cumming's Brigade.
W. A. Dodge, Chaplain Twenty third Georgia Regiment.
ATHENS DISTRICT.

R. B. Bingham, P. E.

Atlanta: Trinity, Atticus G. Haygood.
Colored Charge, James B. Payne.
City Mission, to be supplied.
Atlanta Circuit, S. Leake, J. N. Craven, Sup.
Decatur, J. J. Morgan.
Newton and Colored Mission, D. Kelsey, O. S. Means, Sup.
Monroe, W. A. Florence.
Marietta and Colored Charge, R. A. Holland, Joseph Cross, Sup.
Alpharetta, J. R. Gaines.
Powder Springs and Dallas, John W. Neese.
Paulding Mission, A. J. Deavors.
Lawrenceville, S. A. Clarke.

LA GRANGE DISTRICT.

J. B. McGhee, P. E.

La Grange, E. W. Speer.
West Point, Bethel, and Long Cane, R. H. Jones.
Greenville and Colored Mission, J. B. Smith, J. R. Deering.
Coweta, Robert F. Jones.
Newnan and Palmetto, John H. Caldwell.
Franklin, W. M. D. Bond.
Houston Mission, A. Dorman.
Carrollton, to be supplied.
Campbellton, John Murphy.
Harralson Mission, to be supplied.
Whiteville, R. W. Dixon, W. J. Wardlaw.
Whiteville Colored Mission, Jackson Rush.
La Grange Female College, G. J. Pearce, President, and Agent of the Soldiers' Tract Association.

W. A. Simmons, Chaplain to the Twelfth Georgia Regiment.
J. W. McGhee, Missionary to Stovall's Brigade.
Young J. Allen, Missionary to China.

GRIFFIN DISTRICT.

W. F. Cook, P. E.

Griffin, Charles A. Fulwood, W. A. Rogers.
Zebulun and Barnesville, B. A. Seale, C. W. Parker.
Pike Colored Mission, J. L. Lupo.
Payetteville, R. H. Waters.
Thomaston, W. F. Arnold, Miller H. White, Sup.
Jonesboro, B. J. Johnson.
Monticello, W. W. Oelin.
McDonough and Jackson, M. A. Leake.
Culloden, G. C. Clark, James Harris, Sup.
Culloden and Knoxville Mission, M. Bellah.
Forsyth, P. M. Ryburn.
Forsyth Circuit, W. J. Cotter.
Griffin Female College, W. A. Rogers, President.

A. J. Jarrell, Chaplain Nineteenth Georgia Regiment.
J. O. A. Cook, Chaplain Second Georgia Battalion.
D. E. Starr.*

MACON DISTRICT.
J. Lewis, P. E.

Macon:
Mulberry Street, E. P. Birch.
Colored Charge, J. W. Burke.
East Macon, S. S. Sweet.
First Street, C. B. Jewett.
Milledgeville, G. W. Yarbrough.
Sparta, B. F. Breedlove.
Factory Mission, J. V. M. Morris.
Hancock, J. W. Talley.
Putnam, J. J. Singleton.
Eatonton, G. G. N. MacDonnell.
Clinton, J. W. Turner.
Perry, W. G. Allen.
Everett Mission, James Dunwoody.
Westleyan Female College, J. M. Bonnell, President.
Book Depository, J. W. Burke, Agent.

COLUMBUS DISTRICT.
A. Wright, P. E.

Columbus:
Colored Charge, W. W. Robison.
Girard, J. R. Littlejohn.
St. Paul, J. S. Key.
Columbus and Factory Mission, James T. Ainsworth.
Tabbottown, Walter Knox.
Tabbottown Colored Charge, G. H. Pattillo.
Hamilton, A. J. Dean.
Ellaville, J. F. Berry.
Buena Vista, J. W. Reynolds, Y. F. Tignor, Sup.
Butler, C. A. Mitchell.
Jamestown, L. R. Redding.
Upatooy, W. W. Tidwell.
Centreville, W. W. Stewart.
Bellevue, D. T. Holmes.
Muscogee, H. P. Pitchford.

Levert Female College, G. H. Pattillo, Professor.
L. Rush, Chaplain Third Georgia Regiment.

AMERICUS DISTRICT.
L. J. Davies, P. E.

Americus, C. W. Key.
Americus Colored Charge, D. O'Driscoll.
Sumter, S. Anthony, W. T. Caldwell.
Dawson, Thomas T. Christian, D. Crenshaw, Sup.
Whitney Mission, J. P. Duncan, T. H. Stewart, Sup.
Randolph, W. B. Merritt, John H. Harris, Sup.
Cuthbert and Emans, J. W. Hinton, J. B. Wardlaw, Sup.
Fort Gaines, J. T. Turner.
Stewart, J. C. Simmons, E. H. Aiken.
Lumpkin and Green Hill, J. T. Norris.
Webster, B. J. Baldwin.
Starkville, T. S. L. Harwell.
Vienna, J. M. Armstrong.
Pataula, J. B. Owen.

R. B. Lester, Missionary to Jackson's Brigade.
Morgan Calloway.*

SANDERSVILLE DISTRICT.
W. S. Baker, P. E.

Sandersville, J. D. Anthony.
Irwinton, J. M. Lowry.
Dublin, C. A. Moore.
Jacksonville, J. E. Sentell.
Reidsville, P. C. Harris, W. F. Conley, Sup.
Statesboro, R. H. Rogers.
Bryan, to be supplied.
Darien and McIntosh, to be supplied.
Swainsboro, Wesley Lane.
Hinesville, W. M. Watts.
Sunday-school Society, L. Pierce, Agent.

Robert N. Andrews.*

*In the C. S. Army.
16.—MONTGOMERY CONFERENCE.

HELD AT TUSKEGEE, ALA., December 7-13, 1864.

BISHOP ANDREW, President; B. B. ROSS, Secretary.

QUESTION 1. Who are admitted on trial?

ANSWER. Robert H. Harris, John P. McFerrin, Thomas W. Lane, Wilbur F. Norton, Thomas G. Slaughter. 5.

Ques. 2. Who remain on trial?

Everett L. Loveless, W. A. Edwards. 2.

Ques. 3. Who are admitted into full connection?


Ques. 4. Who are re-admitted?

E. D. Fite, La Fayette Patterson, Robert N. Scales. 3.

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


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


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

P. K. Brindley, James A. Parker, James K. Tanssey, Robert A. Timmons, J. F. Ellison. 5.

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


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


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


Ques. 11. Who have located this year?

None.

Ques. 12. Who are supernumerary?


Ques. 13. Who are superannuated?


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

Thomas Lynch, W. D. Matthews, Benjamin S. Williams, James M. Campbell, O. B. Standley. 5.

THOMAS LYNCH joined the Mississippi Conference in 1829, and was appointed to Port Gibson Circuit. We next hear of him being appointed to Tuscaloosa Station, Alabama Conference, in 1839. He was Presiding Elder on Talladega District in 1840-1; served the Eufaula District for the ensuing four years; and the Crawford and La Fayette Circuits and Uchee Mission the following years, at the close of which he was superannuated. For years he has not attended the Annual Conferences. A few of the present members recollect him as a man of great dignity, slow of speech, deliberate, full of practical wisdom, a holy man, who enforced the doctrine of entire sanctification, both by precept and example. He was a lover of good men—a wise spiritual builder, who determined that his work, when tried so as by fire, should be found of gold, silver, and precious stones, and not of wood, hay, and stubble. He was much less concerned about the visible prosperity of the Church, its members, wealth, and earthly advantages, than its real growth in holy duty, and in power with God. "When the Bridegroom came," he was found fully ready, "his lamp trimmed and burning." He remarked he was glad his hour had come, and fell asleep in Jesus.
WILLIS D. MATTHEWS entered the Georgia Conference in 1831, and served the Church effectually in many prominent appointments—on Stations, Circuits, and Districts—for twenty-one years; was superannuated three years, and then served two additional years in the Georgia Conference, from which he was transferred to the Alabama Conference in 1856. Here he served the Talladega District four years, and the Wetumpka Station in 1861, where his health failed. At the ensuing Conference he was granted a superannuated relation, and remained in that relation until his death. He was a sweet spirit; the goodness of his heart stamped itself on his very countenance, and gave the witchery of love to his voice and manner. The union and sweetness with which he sang the praises of God were remarkable. He was profoundly versed in the mysteries of grace, and taught the deep things of God, in demonstration of the Spirit and of power. The spirit of divine love permeated his public and private life, and made all who knew him feel that the power which wrought in him was not of man, but of God. The beauty of his Christianity rendered him a fit medium through which the attractiveness of the cross drew many souls unto God. Multitudes, will bless his memory. When his last hour came he was ready to say with the beloved disciple, "Come, Lord Jesus, come quickly."

BENJAMIN S. WILLIAMS joined the Alabama Conference in 1850, and was appointed to Chambers Circuit; in 1851, to Columbus Circuit; and to Forkland Circuit in 1852. At the close of this year, to prepare himself more thoroughly for the work of the ministry, he located and went to the Centenary Institute. In 1854, he was employed by the Presiding Elder on the Autaugaville Circuit. He reentered the Conference at the close of the year, and served in the order following—The Cahaba and Montgomery Stations; the Montgomery Colored Chargé; the Gainesville and Warsaw, the Union Springs and Clayton, and Louisville Stations; and, lastly, the Marianna District, in 1863-4. In midsummer of this year his health entirely failed, and he went home to the house of his father-in-law to die. Brother Williams was a single-hearted, earnest-minded man, fervent in spirit, serving the Lord. He looked like one who saw the great verities of God and eternity, and seeing, saw "No room for mirth or trifling here, For worldly hope or worldly fear."

Rarely has the apostolic injunction, to be sober-minded, been more perfectly obeyed. Not that he was wanting in cheerfulness—no, he appreciated the kindness of his God and Saviour, not only in the great gifts of grace, but also in the smallest earthly favors; and for the rich social advantages God had accorded him, he felt that he had abundant cause for thankfulness. He had a heart that could inhale the intense of praise from the beauty of a flower, and bless God for its loveliness. He was one whose spirit seemed to beat against the walls of his clay tenement in his attempts to soar into higher regions of intellect, truth, and spiritual life. The zeal of the house of God consumed him: he could not be a sluggard in God's vineyard. Whatevber his hand found to do, he did with all his might. The smallest interests of Zion were to him of vast importance; nor would his stern integrity allow him to compromise in the least particular aught that pertained to the glory of God. In the great revival at Autaugaville in 1854, he seemed clothed with the power of God as with a garment. Many were the slain of the Lord, and never will they forget him, as the words of his mouth pierced as a two-edged sword, dividing asunder soul and spirit, joints and marrow, and were a discerner of the thoughts and intents of the heart. He was as a hammer of God to the public congregation, while his frequent angel-like visits to the habitations of the lowly were as the breathing of the harps of heaven. The burden of the Lord allowed him to give no rest to the sinner until he sought and found the peace that passeth all understanding. To Brother Williams this earth had grand significance. Nature in all her voices spoke to his heart the quiet words of wisdom, and taught him this vast material world was but the highway to eternal things; and though he might innocently and thankfully partake of refreshment by the way, yet he must hasten unto "the coming of the day of God, wherein the earth and the works that are therein shall be burned up." He trod a path of light to the skies, brightening unto the perfect day. With his power as a preacher, and earnest devotion to the work, much was expected of him in the wider sphere of Presiding Elder. Nor would the hopes of the Church have been in vain; but God had need of him, and took him to himself. His last illness was a triumphant career heavenward, in which he found it necessary to curb his impatience to depart and be with Christ. He has gone before us, and his works do follow him. Let us meet him in the land of light.

JAMES M. CAMPBELL joined the Alabama Conference in 1854, and served his several fields of labor in the following order—Geneva Circuit, Apalachicola and Pensacola Stations, Butler and Greenwood Circuits, and Woodville, Columbus, and Warrington Stations, from the last of which he entered the army as chaplain in 1861. Brother Campbell was a warm-hearted, energetic, and efficient itinerant. His early education was limited, but with high resolve he determined, by the grace of God, there should be light, and darkness fled apace before his eager pursuit of wisdom; rapidly progressed the work of self-culture; steadily, from all sources, he drew the materials for laying deep and broad, the foundation of useful knowledge. He became a workman who needed not to be ashamed, as he proclaimed effectively the unsearchable riches of Christ. He was a man of strong sense, who won favor wheresoever he went, and who loved Methodism devotedly, in all her peculiarities. Useful in the quiet sanctuary, he was uncommonly efficient as a chaplain in the army,
a man in whom the stern warrior delighted. Whether won by his love for the soldiers to share fully their perils, or impelled by the self-sacrificing patriotism he witnessed, or that he thought the swords, temporal and spiritual, might make him more extensively useful, we know not; but he changed his relation to the army, and was soon chosen major of his regiment, in which sphere he failed not to preserve the same unserving fidelity to his Master which had before distinguished him. His heart was fixed, trusting in the Lord. A brave heart, a true man, mildly and without warning, it pleased God to call him hence. He fell at Spottsylvania Court-house, Va., May 14, 1864, by the hand of a sharp-shooter, and now, we believe, rests with his God.

O. B. STANDLEY, a transfer from the Florida Conference, was a quiet, unobtrusive spirit, meek and lowly in both spirit and manner, a useful minister, loving God and his Church devotedly. He felt it to be an honor of which he was not worthy, that he was called to labor in word and doctrine for his Master, and gladly preached the gospel to the lowly and obscure. In the last year a cloud darkened his fair name, but we learn God his Father vindicated his spirit and character by a triumphant death. He died attesting to the last the integrity of his heart, and even his enemies have been made to be at peace with him, and to clear his name of censure.

Ques. 15. Are all the preachers blameless in their life and official administration? Their names were called over, one by one, and their characters examined and passed.

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

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Montgomery Conference, 1864.

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Ques. 17. What amounts are necessary for the superannuated preachers, and the widows and orphans of preachers, and to make up the deficiencies of those who have not obtained their regular allowance in their respective districts, circuits, and stations? $5200.

Ques. 18. What has been collected on the foregoing accounts, and how has it been applied? Collected, $13,423 49.

Applied as follows:

- C. H. McLeod, $300 00
- T. S. Dickinson, $150 00
- J. E. McClendon, $170 00
- J. W. Smith, $123 50
- C. S. D. Lassiter, $85 66
- J. L. Skipper, $70 00
- R. Nicholson, $105 05
- S. F. Pilley, $630 00
- Mrs. Abernathy, $650 00
- C. D. Nicholson, $500 00
- Mrs. W. D. Matthews, $300 00
- William Rhodes, $300 00
- U. Williams, $300 00
- R. W. Bau Mission, $300 00
- Mrs. T. Roper, $340 00
- Mrs. Folloch, $150 00
- Bishop Andrew, $2500 00
- Reserved for Minutes, $550 00
- Mrs. Ferguson, $800 00
- Mrs. Standley, $400 00
- Mrs. Dickinson, $800 00
- Child of Rounsaval, $100 00
- Mrs. Osin, $600 00
- Mrs. Williams, $300 00
- Jesse Ellis, $400 00
- J. W. Laney, $600 00
- Mrs. Lynch, $200 00
- Z. Dowling, $300 00
- W. P. Miller, $535 00
- Mrs. Bailey, $150 00
- Child of McDonald, $140 00
- J. C. A. Bridges, $28 40
- James P. McGee, $238 93
- Financial Book, $75 00
- Stationery, $10 00

Ques. 19. What has been contributed for the Missionary, Sunday-school, and Tract Societies? For Missions, $38,262 00; For Sunday-schools, 1,298 50; For Tracts, etc., 10,091 90.

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

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

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**MONTGOMERY DISTRICT.**

- C. D. Oliver, P. E.-
- Montgomery, H. N. McCyteire.
- Herron Street, to be supplied.
- Auburn, M. S. Andrews.
- Tuskegee, Bennett B. Ross.
- Chambers, Thomas L. Dennis, R. H. Harris.
- Oak Bowery and La Fayette, John Matthews.
- Russell, William B. Neal.
- Olivet Colored Mission, W. G. Johnson.
- Crawford, J. H. Lockhart.
- Uchee Colored Mission, to be supplied.
- Loachapoka, Lewis F. Dowdell.
- Tuskegee Circuit, Jesse Wood.
- Opelika, E. D. Pitts.
- Mount Meigs and Colored Mission, J. A. Face.
- Edward J. Hamill, Missionary to Cheatham's Corps.
- I. I. Tatum, Missionary to Cleburne's Division.
- J. P. Ferrin, Chaplain in C. S. Army.
- W. J. Sasnett, President of East Alabama Male College.
- F. H. Wardlaw, Post Chaplain at Opelika.
- Thomas K. Armstrong.

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**WETUMPKA DISTRICT.**

- Daniel M. Hudson, P. E.-
- Wetumpka, L. D. Huston.
- Prattville, Andrew J. Briggs.

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Autoaugaville, E. B. Norton.
Kingston, to be supplied (by J. T. Talley).
Socapatooy, to be supplied, T. M. Lynch, Sup.
Dadeville, John N. Dupree.
Tallassee, John P. Jones.
Maplesville, W. A. Montgomery.

George R. Talley, Missionary to Jackson's Brigade.

GADSDEN DISTRICT.

T. Moody, P. E.
Montevallo, F. T. J. Brandon.
Cahaba Valley, George J. Mason.
Harpersville, E. S. Smith.
Oak Mountain, H. L. Young.
Coosa River, W. K. Towles.
Asheville, R. N. Scales, E. B. McLelland, Sup.
Jacksonville, W. A. Sampayo.
Centre, John W. Talley.
CROSS Plains Mission, W. J. Davis.
Gadsden, P. K. Brindley, one to be supplied.
Cedar Bluff Mission, James A. Neely.
Lebanon Mission, Rufus Nicholson.

C. L. Dobbs, Missionary to Wheeler's Corps.

W. G. Perry, Chaplain Forty-fourth Alabama Regiment.

W. L. Clifton,* E. A. West,* Joel A. Vest.*

TALLADEGA DISTRICT.

D. Duncan, P. E.
Talladega, Robert B. Crawford.
{ Talladega Circuit, Thomas G. Slaughter.
{ Talladega Colored Mission, to be supplied.
White Plains, J. C. A. Bridges.
Iron-works Mission, to be supplied.
Arbacoochee, to be supplied.
{ Lineville, Robert A. Timmons.
{ Blue Mountain Mission, to be supplied.
{ Wesubulga Mission, to be supplied.
Roanoke, James M. Towles.
Pinckneyville, W. R. Bell, C. S. D. Lassiter, Sup.
Hatchet Creek, Charles W. Smith.
Fayetteville, John G. Walker.

Joseph T. Curry.*

EUFAULA DISTRICT.

W. H. Ellison, P. E.

Eufaula, William Shapard.
Glenville, W. A. McCarty.
Clayton and Louisville, W. H. Wild.
Chunnuneggee, Thomas W. Lane.
{ Union Springs, J. F. Ellison, P. X. Forster, Sup.
{ Union Springs Colored Mission, to be supplied.
Enon, J. W. Solomon.
{ Barbour Colored Mission, to be supplied (by J. L. Oliver).
Perote, J. F. Dickinson.
{ Villilua, J. B. Cottrell.
{ Oswichee Colored Mission, M. C. Turrentine.
Clayton, L. Patterson.

In the C. S. Army.

LOWNDESBORO DISTRICT.

James W. shores, P. E.

Lowndesboro and Hayneville, B. F. Perry, J. M. Jennings, Sup.
{ Hayneville Colored Mission, J. J. Lathram.
Big Swamp Colored Mission, B. F. Blow.
Ramer, J. L. Sampey.
{ Sandy Ridge Colored Mission, to be supplied (by R. Smiley).
Greenville and Fort Deposit, James W. Glenn.
Millville, H. J. Hunter.
South Butler, J. K. Tansey.
Troy and Orion, A. Dowling.
Union, J. P. Dickinson, one to be supplied (by C. S. Hunt).
Brundige, A. S. Dickinson.
Elba, J. A. Wethers.

J. A. Parker, Missionary to Clayton's Division.

MARIANNA DISTRICT.

Francis Walker, P. E.

Marianna, Anson West.
{ Greenwood, W. R. Talley.
{ Calhoun Mission, to be supplied.
{ Campbell, E. L. Loveless.
{ Jackson Colored Mission, W. B. Adams.
Woodville, H. P. Waugh.
Haw Ridge, J. L. Skipper.
Sylvan Grove, D. T. Hamner.
{ Geneva, W. C. Robinson.
{ Double Bridges Mission, to be supplied (by T. Y. Register).
{ Big Creek Cir., to be supplied (by J. Dowling).
{ Yellow River Mission, to be supplied (by M. C. Lunsford).
Cerro Gordo, to be supplied (by S. Grantham).

CAMDEN DISTRICT.

W. M. Motley, P. E.

Camden, S. A. Pilley.
Black's Bend, L. M. Wilson.
Oak Hill, D. S. McDonald.
Snow Hill, W. R. Kirk.
Farmersville, J. E. Treadwell.
{ Pleasant Hill, Neil Gillis.
{ Pleasant Hill Colored Mission, J. A. Spence.
{ Benton Colored Mission, P. R. McCrary.
Sepulga, to be supplied.
Evergreen, W. W. Graham.
Monroeville, Wesley B. Dennis.
Mount Pleasant, George Watson.

B. L. Selman, Chaplain Twenty-third Alabama Regiment.

M. E. Butt, transferred to Mobile Conference.
W. H. Carter, stationed at St. Paul's, Mobile,
17.—MOBILE CONFERENCE.

HELD AT TUSKAULOOSA, ALA., NOVEMBER 23-28, 1864.

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

QUESTION 1. Who are admitted on trial?

Questions 2. Who remain on trial?

Question 3. Who are admitted into full connection?

Questions 4. Who are readmitted?
None.

Questions 5. Who are received by transfer from other Conferences?
Charles D. N. Campbell, from Memphis Conference; C. W. Miller, from Kentucky Conference. 2.

Questions 6. Who are the deacons of one year?
John E. Foust. 4.

Questions 7. Who are the deacons of one year?
R. H. Turner.* Hezekiah Johnson,* and ordained deacons?

Questions 8. Who are ordained deacons?

Questions 9. Who are the deacons of one year?
Lloyd.* 14.

Questions 10. Are all the preachers blameless in their life and official administration?
Their names were called over, one by one, and their characters examined and passed.

Questions 11. What traveling preachers are elected and ordained elders?

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Questions 13. Who are supernumerary?
E. V. Levert, John D. Fisher, Samuel M. Adams. 3.

Questions 14. Who are superannuated?

Questions 15. What preachers have died during the past year?
James M. Hood. 1.

JAMES M. HOOD was licensed to preach and recommended to the Annual Conference of 1859 by the Quarterly Conference of Pickens Circuit, Columbus District, under the administration of George Shaeffer. During his connection with us, he was regarded as one of our best and most useful men—devoted to the interests of the Church within the bounds of his work. His career was short, but brilliant with the evidences of a true piety and a successful ministry. He proved his devotion to the cause of God in his last illness by leaving a bequest to the Conference of one thousand dollars. The Church and the Conference have sustained a serious loss in the death of our beloved Brother Hood. His unshaken faith, his unyielding reform, his constant love for God and his people, constitute with us his dying testimony. No doubt his end was peace.

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Questions 16. What traveling preachers are elected and members in the several circuits, stations, and missions of the Conference?

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| Bladen | 233 | 168 | 60 | 60 | 1 |
| Gaston | 328 | 57 | 192 | 59 | 3 |
| Butler | 321 | 127 | 99 | 101 | 2 |
| Spring Hill | 125 | 19 | 174 | 47 | 1 |
| Demopolis and Colored Mission | 84 | | 9 | 83 | 28 |
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### Recapitulation.

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

$3780.

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

Collected, $17,169 30

Applied as follows:

To Mrs. Belton, $900 00

" Kennon, 800 00

" Hill, 800 00

" Foust, 800 00

" Olson, 1,000 00

" Holston, 800 00

" McBryde, 900 00

" Hood, 800 00

Powell's daughter, 200 00

Well's child, 200 00

E. V. Levert, 800 00

John W. Starr, 800 00

Leroy Massengale, 640 00

E. McMeans, 1,100 00

G. Garrett, 900 00

Samuel Briggs, 1,000 00

J. F. Randell, 460 00

S. N. Shelton, 340 00

N. F. Mitchell, 350 00

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On acct' of Bishop Andrew's salary, 2,500 00
For printing Minutes, 700 00
Amount paid out,
Bal. in hands of Treasurer, 179 00
$18,990 00
$17,169 30
Ques. 19. What has been contributed for the Missionary, Sunday-school, and Tract Societies?
For Missions, $40,407 26
For Sunday-schools, 352 00
For Tract Society, 8,677 65
Ques. 20. Where and when shall the next session of the Conference be held?
At Mobile, Ala.
Ques. 21. Where are the preachers stationed this year?

MOBILE DISTRICT.
James L. Cotten, P. E.

Mobile:
{ Franklin Street, Jefferson Hamilton.
{ State Street Colored Mission, T. W. Dorman.
{ St. Francis Street, Robert K. Hargrove.
{ Zion Colored Mission, James A. Heard.
{ Pascagoula, B. G. Fleming.
{ Bladen Springs, J. F. Evans.
{ Ocean Springs, John W. Samprey.
{ J. J. Grace, Chaplain to the Seventeenth Alabama Regiment.
{ A. D. McVoy, Chaplain to the Fortieth Alabama Regiment.

DAYTON DISTRICT.
John W. Rush, P. E.

Dayton, Robert S. Woodward.
McKinley and Bethlehem, Wm. E. Mabry.
Spring Hill, Charles W. Miller.
Lower Peach-tree, C. W. Calhoun.
Grove Hill and Salt-works Mission, J. H. Ewing.
Suggsville, Jeremiah M. Boland.
Choctaw Corner, Samuel Thames.
Gaston, Gabriel Hawkins, J. M. Johnson.
Butler, A. M. Jones.
Rembert Hills, George F. Ellis.

MACON DISTRICT.
Junius E. Newman, P. E.
{ Macon, Walter C. Harris.
{ Macon Colored Mission, Elisha Callaway.
{ Enterprise, Josiah Bancroft.
{ Meridian, to be supplied.
{ Meridian Circuit, to be supplied, R. Y. Rew,
{ Sup.
{ Lauderdale Hospital Mission, Wm. Spillman.
{ Marion Circuit, Noah F. Mitchell.

DeKalb, William J. Powers.
Gainesville, Charles C. Ellis.
Scooba, Andrew J. Coleman.
Belmont, Eliza Phillips.
Livingston, William P. Wilson.
Cooksville Circuit, Thomas P. Crynes.
{ Cooksville Colored Mission, to be supplied.
{ Memphis Colored Mission, to be supplied.

JASPER DISTRICT.
John B. Powers, P. E.
{ Bexar, J. G. Gurley.
{ Pikeville Mission, to be supplied.
Moscow, Ulysses L. Thompson.
Jasper, F. A. Gamble.
{ Blountsville, W. H. Riley.
{ Blountsville Mission, Abijah Watson.
Murfrees' Valley, D. A. Hendricks.
Elyton, John E. Foust.
Elyton Iron-works Colored Mission, T. F. Greene.
Jonesboro, Thomas P. Roberts.
New Lexington, Alexander Hood.
New Lexington Colored Mission, to be supplied.
{ Fayette, J. N. Glover.
{ Fayette Colored Mission, Thomas N. Shelton.

COLUMBUS DISTRICT.
Phil. P. Neely, P. E.
{ Columbus, Allen S. Andrews.
{ Columbus Colored Mission, and Principal of Classical School, H. Urquhart.
{ Columbus Hospital Mission, George Shafer.
{ Columbus Circuit, James M. Gann.
{ Pickensville and Carrollton, William Murrah.
{ Pickens Circuit, Jepthah F. Randall.
{ Bridgeville, James A. Peebles.
{ Brookville, Leroy Massingale.
{ Plum Creek Colored Mission, to be supplied.
{ Jim Creek Colored Mission, to be supplied.
{ Brooksville Colored Mission, to be supplied.
{ Greene Circuit, R. D. Carver.
{ Crawfordsville, C. D. N. Campbell.
{ Artesia Colored Mission, to be supplied.
{ Plymouth Colored Mission, J. W. F. Toland.
{ Nashville Colored Mission, to be supplied.
{ Caledonia Circuit, J. B. Baldwin, W. Mitchell.
{ Caledonia Colored Mission, Wm. Vaughan.
{ Athens Circuit, George W. Brown.
{ Athens Colored Mission, to be supplied.
{ J. B. Stone, Chaplain to the Forty-third Mississippi Regiment.
{ J. W. Perry, Chaplain to the Thirty-fifth Alabama Regiment.
{ J. T. M. Gregory, Chaplain to the Twenty-sixth Alabama Regiment.
{ H. H. Kavanaugh, Jr., Chaplain to the Sixth Kentucky Regiment.
{ William B. Owings, in the Army.

TUSKALOOSA DISTRICT.
C. C. Callaway, P. E.
{ Tuscaloosa, T. O. Summers.
{ Tuscaloosa Female College, Robert M. Saunders.
Florida Conference, 1864.

Northport, J. M. Brown.
Scottsville and Big Sandy, Orlando P. Thomas.
Liberty Mission, to be supplied.
Brush Creek, Billups D. Gayle.
Havana, William H. Armstrong.
\{ Eutaw, Abram Adams.
\{ Eutaw Colored Mission, James M. Patton.
Marion and Hamburg, Theophilus F. Manghum, E. V. Levert, Sup.
Forkland, J. D. Cameron.
Newbern and Oak Grove, Wm. M. Wightman.
Walker Prairie Colored Mission, J. W. McCann.
\{ Greensboro, Thomas Y. Ramsey.
\{ Prairie Creek Colored Mission, J. C. Huckabee.
German Creek Colored Mission, to be supplied.
\{ Greensboro Colored Mission, to be supplied.
Southern University, Wm. M. Wightman, Chancellor; Edward Wadsworth, Professor.

Joseph J. Hutchinson, left without appointment.

F. M. Grace, Agent Orphans’ Fund Association.
A. M. Fikes, Chaplain in the Army.
T. O. Summers, Book Editor for the Methodist Episcopal Church, South.

18.—FLORIDA CONFERENCE.
HELD AT MONTICELLO, FLA., December 14–18, 1864.

Simon P. Richardson, President;

Franklin A. Branch, Secretary.

QUESTION 1. Who are admitted on trial?

JAMES O. A. SPARKS. 3.

Ques. 2. Who remain on trial?

Alfred Holcombe, David L. Brannin, Wm. A. McLean, Alfred T. Holleymon, George B. Swann.

Ques. 3. Who are admitted into full connection?

Josiah Bullock. 1.

Ques. 4. Who are readmitted?


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

Henry D. Moore. 1.

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

Wm. F. Easterling, Robert F. Evans. 2.

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

None.

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


* Elected, but not ordained.

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

None.

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


Ques. 11. Who have located this year?

James G. Acton. 1.

Ques. 12. Who are supernumerary?

John Penny, Joshua Carraway, James M. N. Lowe, George W. Fagg, Willis P. O’Kane. 5.

Ques. 13. Who are superannuated?


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


* Elected, but not ordained.

HENRY F. SMITH entered into the heavenly rest June 12, 1864. He was born Dec. 21, 1818.
He embraced religion when but a youth, and united with the M. E. Church. He entered the ministry in 1856; was recommended to the next Annual Conference, and, though encumbered with many labors, did not consent with ease to the comfort, but heartily and for life entered into the itinerant ranks, from which time, up to a week before his death, he labored with zeal and much success. His first work was Santa Fe Mission; his second, Black Creek Circuit; his third, Marion or Ocala Circuit—on each of which he labored two years; his fourth, Marion Mission, upon which he had completed one full year, and ended his labors in the midst of the second. He was among our most industrious ministers—an excellent preacher, of deep and pervading piety. Those among whom he labored can best testify to his worth as a preacher.

David L. Kennedy was converted in early life, and commenced his labors as a minister in connection with the Tennessee Conference; joined the Florida Conference at its session in January, 1855; and was appointed to the Blakely Circuit; served in the same work the next year, and in 1857 was sent to the Madison Circuit, and returned to it the following year; in 1859, he served the Marion Circuit, and the next year was placed on the Madison District, where he labored most faithfully and acceptably until his health failed in 1861. His disease was consumption, from which he suffered until the present year. His end was triumphant, and he rests with Jesus.

Amos Davis was born in Bullock county, Ga., in the year 1829; was converted to God, joined the Church, and was licensed to preach in 1854; was appointed to the Isabella Mission, 1856; Grand Bay Circuit, 1856; Alapaha Mission, 1857; Flint River Circuit, 1858; Troupville Circuit, 1859; Hamilton Circuit, 1860; Taylor Mission, 1861; Liberty Circuit, 1862 and 1863. He died March 16, 1864; was a faithful, useful minister of the gospel; lived uprightly, and died triumphantly.

John F. Urquhart, son of Thomas and Kessiah Urquhart, was born in Montgomery county, Ala., Sept. 15, 1841; joined the Church when about nine years old. His father removed from Alabama to Florida in 1852. Brother Urquhart joined the Conference in 1860. In 1861, he was junior preacher on the Madison Circuit; in 1862, was on the Leon Circuit; in 1863, on the Gadsden Colored Mission, but was removed during the year to Apalachicola. In 1864, he was stationed at Albany, where he died, Aug. 19, 1864. He was a young man of a lively spirit, refined and elevated by grace, promising great usefulness to the Church.

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

Their names were called over, one by one, and their characters examined and passed, except James G. Acton, who was sentenced to receive a reprimand from the President in open Conference.

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

White members, 9,820
White probationers, 1,634
Colored members, 6,685
Colored probationers, 1,204
Local preachers, 128

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

$3,160.

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

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Florida Conference, 1864.

Leroy B. Giles joined the Church and was converted in 1855, when a young man; was licensed to preach, and recommended for admission into the Florida Conference, 1856; appointed to the Orange Mission, 1857, and again in 1858. In 1859, he served the Hernando Circuit; in 1860, Sunburst Circuit; in 1861, Centreville Circuit; served Bellville Circuit in 1862, and was removed to the Marion Circuit in 1863. He was returned to this work in 1864, and early in the year sickened, and, after a short illness, died suddenly. Though cut off in the prime of manhood, he had done good service in the Lord's vineyard. He was diligent in study and in labors—a man of prayer and of faith. His not only blameless but self-sacrificing and devoted life is the best assurance he could have left us of his eternal welfare.

R. W. Burgess, formerly of the South Carolina Conference, joined the Florida Conference at its session held in Micanopy, 1859, and served the Volusia Mission in 1860; Tampa Station in 1861, and was sent to the La Fayette Mission in 1862, where he joined a company of volunteers as a private soldier, and, with the Fifth Florida Regiment, served his country during the bloody campaign of that year in Virginia. At the session of the Conference in 1863, he was appointed to the Crystal River Circuit for 1864; and, in the midst of faithful labors, was called to his reward.
Florida Conference, 1864.

Collected, $8134 00

Applied as follows:
To superannuated preachers, and the
widows and orphans of preachers, 8134 00
To the support of the Bishops, 1153 15

Ques. 19. What has been contributed for the
Missionary, Sunday-school, and Tract Societies?
For Missions, $24,369 71
Sunday-schools, 199 00

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

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

TALLAHASSEE DISTRICT.
Samuel Woodbury, P. E.

Tallahassee Station, Andrew J. Wooldridge.
Quincy, James B. Jackson.
Monticello, James O. Branch.
Factory Mission, to be supplied (by F. Shepperd.)
Liberty Circuit, Sterling Gardner.
Gadsden, Wm. F. Easterling, G. W. Fagg, Sup.
Midway Hospital and Gadsden Colored Mission,
George W. Pratt.
Leon Colored Mission, James W. Jackson.
Leon Circuit, Josephus Anderson.
 Wakulla Mission, John L. Williams.
Aucilla Colored Mission, Seborn G. Childs.

LAKE CITY DISTRICT.
Franklin A. Branch, P. E.

Lake City Station, Robert L. Wiggins.
Newnansville, Oscar A. Myers.
Columbia Circuit, William Davies.
Houston, Jos. J. Sealey, Willis P. O’Kane, Sup.
Suwannee Mission, Archibald Johnson.
Starke Circuit, Thomas B. Barnett.
Hamilton, Charles P. Murdock, Joshua Carraway, Sup.
Madison, John M. Hendry.
Madison Station, Osborn L. Smith.
Bellville Circuit, Wm. A. McLean.
Patterson’s Hammock Mission, to be supplied
(by M. A. Clontz.)
Taylor and La Fayette Mission, Alfred T. Holleyman.

Simon P. Richardson, Agent Soldiers’ Orphan Association.

BAINBRIDGE DISTRICT.
William M. Kennedy, P. E.

Bainbridge and Fowlstown Station, John W. Mills.
Trinity, Alexander Graham.
Asbury Circuit, John M. Potter.
Blakely, Shelton R. Weaver, J. M. N. Lowe, Sup.
Colquitt, George B. Swann.
Newton and Colquitt Station, Henry D. Moore.
Morgan Circuit, Francis M. Wilson.
Albany Station, Wm. L. Murphy.
Camilla Circuit, Matthew H. Fielding.
Decatur, Robert H. Howren.

THOMASVILLE DISTRICT.
Newgate B. Ouley, P. E.

Thomasville Station, Thomas H. Capers.
Grooversville Circuit, Jesse J. Giles.
Spring Hill, to be supplied (by G. S. Johnston.)
Quitman, William K. Turner.
Brooks Colored Mission, to be supplied.
Moultrie Circuit, Americus B. Mann.
Valdosta, Robert W. Flournoy.
Lowndes Colored Mission, to be supplied.
Glasgow Circuit, to be supplied (by G. C. Andrews.)
Little River, to be supplied.
Oclocknee, to be supplied.
Nashville Mission, Aaron W. Harris.

WARESBORO DISTRICT.
William H. Thomas, P. E.

Waresboro Circuit, James D. Mauldin.
Doctortown Mission, to be supplied.
Holmesville Circuit, Alfred Holcombe, Andrew R. Byrd, Sup.
Brunswick, to be supplied.
Centrevillage, James O. A. Sparks.
Coffee Mission, to be supplied.
Irwin, William F. Roberts.
Clinch Circuit, Marshall G. Jenkins.
Argile, to be supplied.
Blackshear Colored Mission, to be supplied.

TAMPA DISTRICT.
Edward F. Gates, P. E.

Hillsboro Circuit, Stephen W. Carson.
Key West Station, Robert I. McCook.
Marion Circuit, John M. Bridges.
Ocala Colored Mission, to be supplied.
Levy Circuit, Isaac Munden.
Sumter, William Williams.
Crystal River, Josiah Billock, John Penny, Sup.
Orange Mission, to be supplied.
Hernando Mission, Wm. C. Jourdan.
Micanopy Circuit, John C. Levy.
Gainesville, James G. Worley.

Erastus B. Duncan, Missionary to the Florida Army.
Enoch H. Giles, Missionary to Findley’s Brigade, Army of Tennessee.
Robert Evans, Chaplain in C. S. Army.
19.—RIO GRANDE CONFERENCE.

HELD AT HELENA, TEXAS, October 5—__, 1864.

JESSE BORING, President; JOHN W. DE VILBISS, Secretary.

**Question 1.** Who are admitted on trial?

None.

**Ques. 2.** Who remain on trial?

Ferdinand Mummee, Thomas F. Cooke. 2.

**Ques. 3.** Who are admitted into full connection?

Conrad Pluncke, Julius Gleiss. 2.

**Ques. 4.** Who are readmitted?

None.

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

None.

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

None.

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

None.

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

None.

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

Thomas F. Rainey, August Tampke, James T. Gillett. 3.

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

None.

**Ques. 11.** Who have located this year?

Roswell Gillett. 1.

**Ques. 12.** Who are supernumerary?

Robert H. Belvin, Robert P. Thompson, A. Engle. 3.

**Ques. 13.** Who are superannuated?

Jesse Hord. 1.

**Ques. 14.** Who preachers have died during the past year?

Robert H. Mangham. 1.

No memoir.

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

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

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

Local preachers, 11
White members, 945
Colored members, 198

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

$1494.

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

Collected, $91 25

Applied as follows:
To the Smithwick Children, 70 00
To J. S. Gillett, 21 25

$91 25

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

For Missions, $333 05

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

At San Antonio, Texas.

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

SAN ANTONIO DISTRICT.
William J. Joyce, P. E.

San Antonio Station, to be supplied.
San Antonio Circuit, John W. De Vilbiss.
Cibolo, John S. Gillett, R. H. Belvin, Sup.
Sutherland's Springs, Thomas T. Leach.
Kerrsville, Oliver B. Adams.
Medina, to be supplied, R. P. Thompson, Sup.
Uvalde, to be supplied.

GOLIAD DISTRICT.
James W. Cocke, P. E.

Goliad and Middletown, Jesse Boring.
Clinton Circuit, James T. Gillett.
Sandies, Eli Y. Seale.
Helena, A. A. Killough.
Beaville, to be supplied.
Corpus Christi and Oakville, to be supplied.
Shiloh and Perdido, Thomas F. Rainey.
Brownsville, Ivy H. Cox.
Texas Conference, 1864.

FREDERICKSBURG DISTRICT.

Frederic Vordenbenin, P. E.

Beaver Creek, John A. Shaper.

New Fountain, Gustavus Elly.
Yorktown and Goliad, Ferdinand Mumme.
Guadalupe Mission, August Tampke.


*In the C. S. Army.

20.—TEXAS CONFERENCE.

HELD AT WACO, TEXAS, November 2-8, 1864.

---, President; ---, Secretary.

QUESTION 1. Who are admitted on trial?
ANSWER. L. H. Baldwin, J. P. Mussett. 2.

Ques. 2. Who remain on trial?

Ques. 3. Who are admitted into full connection?
None.

Ques. 4. Who are readmitted?
None.

Ques. 5. Who are received by transfer from other Conferences?
None.

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

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

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

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

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

Ques. 11. Who have located this year?
W. T. Harris, W. Shaw. 2.

Ques. 12. Who are supernumerary?

Ques. 13. Who are superannuated?
W. A. Smith, D. Cari, George Little, J. H. D. Moore, A. B. F. Kerr. 5.

Ques. 14. What preachers have died during the past year?
W. A. Shegog. 1.

WILLIAM A. SHEGOG was born, Nov. 8, 1821, in Rutherford county, N. C. He professed religion in 1843, and was soon appointed class-leader. He was licensed to preach about the year 1850. In 1853, he was admitted into the Alabama Conference, where he labored acceptably till 1857, when he located and served the Church in that relation till 1859, when he was again received into the same Conference. In 1860, he was transferred to the Texas Conference, and assigned to Plantersville Circuit; in 1860-2, to Burnett; in 1863, Meridian, and returned to the same work in 1864, where he arrived in feeble health. About March 16 he went to the house of Dr. J. M. Cox, feeble and sick of typhoid fever, under whose treatment he for a time improved; but he soon relapsed, and became worse, till his release came, April 28, 1864. During his sickness, Brother H. C. Ellis called to see him, and on being asked if he feared death, he replied that he had nothing to fear. Afterward, Brother T. E. Harrison visited him, and was requested to pray with him, and during the prayer he responded heartily, praising God. When in the throes of death, he took Dr. Cox by the hand, saying, "Brother Cox, meet me in heaven. Praise God for all his goodness to me. All is well. There is not a cloud between me and happiness." Then clapping his hands, with the halo of heaven on his countenance, he shouted, "Glory! glory!" and thus died, praising God.

Ques. 15. Are all the preachers blameless in their life and official administration?
Texas Conference, 1864.

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Ques. 17. What amounts are necessary for the superannuated preachers, and the widows and orphans of preachers, and to make up the deficiencies of those who have not obtained their regular allowance in their respective districts, circuits, and stations? $4942.

Ques. 18. What has been collected on the foregoing accounts, and how has it been applied?
Collected, $7602 35
Applied to the superannuated preachers, those who were deficient, and the widows and orphans of deceased preachers.

Ques. 19. What has been contributed for the Missionary, Sunday-school, and Tract Societies?
For Missions, $28,830 50
For Sunday-schools, 110 00

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

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

GALVESTON DISTRICT.
R. W. Kennon, P. E.

Washington Colored Mission, J. H. Davidson.
Bellville, B. D. Dashiel.
Brenham and Independence, H. V. Philpott.
Washington and Rock Island, T. B. Ferguson.
Stone’s Chapel and Colored Mission, to be supplied.
Hempstead and Salem, B. L. Fee.
Hempstead Colored Mission, J. A. Light.
Anderson, H. W. South.
Plantersville, A. McKinney.
Soule University, J. M. Follansbee, President.
Chappell Hill Female College, John Carmer, President.

HUNTSVILLE DISTRICT.
J. G. Johnson, P. E.

Huntsville, R. T. Heflin, and President of Andrew Female College.
Walker County Colored Mission, to be supplied.
Trinity, T. B. Buckingham.
Cold Springs and Waverley, J. T. Daves.
Danville Colored Mission, to be supplied.
Montgomery, A. B. Duval.
Madison, to be supplied.
Spring Creek, J. B. Ahrens, and Post Chaplain.
Hempstead.
West Liberty, William Monk.

SPRINGFIELD DISTRICT.
L. B. Whipple, P. E.

Springfield Circuit, John F. Carr.
Marlin, J. G. Gilmore.
Owenville, Ira E. Chalk.
Sterling Colored Mission, R. Crawford.
Boonville, W. S. South.
Wheelock, A. L. P. Green.
Wheelock Colored Mission, J. P. Sneed.
Fairfield, D. B. Wright.
Caldwell, J. E. White.
Centreville, J. L. Crabb.
Port Sullivan, T. T. Smothers.
Little River, to be supplied.
Port Sullivan Male and Female Institute, J. B. Allen, President.

WACO DISTRICT.
J. W. Phillips, P. E.

Waco, J. M. Wesson.
Waco Colored Mission, J. N. Mullins.
Waco Circuit and Colored Mission, A. Mizell.
Cameron, M. H. Porter.
Lexington, W. G. Nelms.
Post Oak Island, R. Y. King.
Georgetown, J. W. Ledbetter.
Belton, J. Carpenter.
Elm Creek, T. Whitworth.

FORT WORTH DISTRICT.
P. E., to be supplied.

Fort Worth, F. J. Cox.
Grand View, to be supplied.
Acton, to be supplied.
East Texas and Arkansas Conferences, 1864.

Weatherford, to be supplied.  
Waxahatchie, J. M. Jones.  
Waxahatchie Colored Mission, to be supplied.  
Hillsboro, J. M. Boyd, J. O. Church.  
White Rock, A. Davis.  
Village Creek and Colored Mission, F. P. Ray.  
Corsicana, J. T. Bryce.

LAMapasas District.  
J. M. Johnson, P. E.

Lampasas, George W. Graves.  
Gatesville, W. P. Reed.  
Meridian, R. B. Womack.  
Palo Pinto, C. M. Carpenter.  
Camp Colorado, to be supplied.  
Comanche, to be supplied.  
San Saba, J. P. Mussett.

Austin District.  
I. G. John, P. E.

Austin, J. W. Whipple.  
Austin Circuit and Travis County Colored Mission, J. M. Whipple.  
Bastrop, J. W. B. Allen.  
Bastrop Military Institute, R. T. P. Allen, President; R. D. Allen, Professor of Mathematics.  
Bastrop Circuit and Colored Mission, to be supplied.

La Grange, William Rees.  
Rutersville and Colored Mission, C. W. Thomas.  
Union Hill, F. A. McShan.

Victoria District.  
Homer S. Thrall, P. E.

Victoria and Concrete, G. S. Sandie.  
Port Lavaca, J. E. Ferguson.  
Texana, to be supplied.  
Union Hill, F. A. McShan.  
Columbus, G. W. Cottingham.  
Navidad, to be supplied.  
Hallettsville, C. J. Lane.  
Boxville, A. M. Box.

German District.  
C. A. Grote, P. E.

Bellville, William Harmes.  
Industry, Charles Bie.  
Bastrop and Round Top, J. Pruenzing.  
Victoria, to be supplied.  
Brushy, E. Schneider.  
G. W. Carter, F. C. Wilkes, George Little, in the C. S. Army.

21.—East Texas Conference.  
[No Minutes for 1864 Received.]

22.—Arkansas Conference.  
Held at Jacksonport, Ark., October 26–27, 1864.

John Cowle, President; J. M. P. Hickerson, Secretary.

Question 1. Who are admitted on trial?  
None.

Ques. 2. Who remain on trial?  
Francis M. Moore. 1.

Ques. 3. Who are admitted into full connection?  

Ques. 4. Who are readmitted?  
James C. Beckham. 1.

Ques. 5. Who are received by transfer from other Conferences?  
None.

Ques. 6. Who are the deacons of one year?  
William R. Knowlton, John W. Patton. 2.

Ques. 7. What traveling preachers are elected and ordained deacons?  
None.
John H. Rice was born in Middle Tennessee, Dec. 28, 1828; professed religion and joined the M. E. Church in 1839. He was licensed to preach on the Hickory Creek Circuit, Tennessee Conference, June 10, 1848; and was admitted on trial in the Arkansas Conference, at Batesville, Ark., Nov. 9, 1849. He was ordained deacon, by Bishop Capers, at Camden, Ark., Nov. 9, 1851; was ordained elder, by Bishop Andrew, at Tupli, Ark., Nov. 20, 1855. He traveled the Benton and Wachita Circuit in 1849-50; the Smithville Circuit, in 1850-1; the Louisburg Circuit, in 1851-2; Benton Circuit, in 1852-3. He was two years in Helena Station— from 1853 to 1855; was appointed to the Lawrenceville Circuit in the fall of 1855; and was two years in the Batesville Station— from 1855 to the fall of 1857. At the close of this year he located, a step which he always regretted. He was married to Miss Fannie J. Denton, of Batesville, Ark., Oct. 13, 1858. He joined the Confederate States Army in 1863, and was appointed chaplain of Colonel Shaver's regiment of mounted infantry, March 25, 1863. He was readmitted into the Arkansas Conference, at Batesville, Ark., Oct. 21, 1863, and appointed chaplain of Colonel Shaver's regiment. Brother Rice was brought to an untimely grave, March 25, 1864, in the following way:—He had been cut off from his own command, and had been with Major Rutherford's battalion, in the capacity of chaplain, a detachment of twenty-six of whom had been to reconnoiter the Federal camp at Batesville. On their return, their camp was surprised by a detachment of seventy-five men from Companies B and C of the Second Arkansas U. S. Volunteers— Colonel Phelps. Brother Rice attempted to escape, but, having his horse shot from under him, he immediately surrendered. The captain commanding (whose name we retain) rushed upon him, and with bitter oaths refused to recognize his surrender, and told him he had to die. Brother Rice asked him for time to pray. The fiendish answer was, "It is too late to pray now." Rice fell upon his knees, and, raising both hands, made a Masonic appeal to him, and commenced praying, at which time the captain shot him twice through the head with a "navy," one ball entering the head a little behind the right corner of his mouth, and coming out directly on the other side, breaking the left jaw-bone. The other ball entered his right temple, and came out a little above and behind his left ear. He was then robbed and stripped, and left in the woods to rot. Brother Rice was an unarmed Confederate chaplain, doing his duty as such, and only accompanied this scout with a hope of hearing from his two motherless babes, then in Batesville, but was called away from the world in this dreadful way. For many years he had been a faithful minister of the gospel in this Conference, and many will rise up in eternity and call him blessed. He was an able defender of our doctrines, and a bold dispenser of truth.

Ques. 8. What local preachers are elected and ordained deacons?
  Henry T. Blythe.* 1.

Ques. 9. What traveling preachers are elected and ordained elders?
  Cornelius N. McGuire, Jacob W. Shook, Stevens Parish. 6.
  Elijah F. McNab. 1.

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

Ques. 11. Who have located this year?
  John Rhynes. 1.

Ques. 12. Who are supernumerary?
  John J. Roberts, Guilford Jones, D. N. Bowles, John Rhyne. 1.

Ques. 13. Who are superannuated?
  P. E. Hankins, whose name was stricken from the rolls of this Conference.

Ques. 14. What preachers have died during the past year?
  John H. Rice. 1.

Ques. 15. Are all the preachers blameless in their life and official administration?
  Their names were called over, one by one, and their characters examined and passed, except Henry H. Hankins, whose name was stricken from the rolls of this Conference.

Ques. 16. What is the number of preachers and members in the several circuits, stations, and missions of the Conference?
  No report.

Ques. 17. What amounts are necessary for the superannuated preachers, and the widows and orphans of preachers, and to make up the deficiencies of those who have not obtained their regular allowance in their respective districts, circuits, and stations?
  No report.

Ques. 18. What has been collected on the foregoing accounts, and how has it been applied?
  No report.

Ques. 19. What has been contributed for the Missionary, Sunday-school, and Tract Societies?
  No report.

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

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

HELENA DISTRICT.

Edward T. Jones, P. E.

Helen Station, to be supplied.
Helen Circuit, Jas. C. Beckham, J. J. Roberts, Sup.
Laconia Circuit, to be supplied.
Clarendon Circuit, Daniel W. Evans.
Richland Circuit, Franklin W. Thaoker, M. H. McMurtry, Sup.
Augusta Circuit, Richard H. Dodson.

B. Harris, Chaplain C. S. Army.
HARRISBURG DISTRICT.

John Cowle, P. E.

Harrisburg Circuit, John M. Steel.
Mount Zion, W. T. Noe, G. Jones, Sup.
Gainesville, H. M. Granade.
Jonesboro, Hugh A. Barnet, D. N. Bowles, Sup.
Osceola, to be supplied.
Marion, James McKee.
Mount Vernon, to be supplied.
Walnut Bend, to be supplied.

SEARCY DISTRICT.

George A. Dannelly, P. E.

Searcy Station, to be supplied.
Searcy Circuit, William H. Gillam.
Big Creek, Joseph W. Bizzell.
Cadron, to be supplied.
Louisburg, Isaac L. Hicks, S. Farish, Sup.
Clinton, to be supplied.
Burrowville, Jesse Griffin.
W. M. Robbins, Chaplain C. S. Army, and a member of Searcy Station Quarterly Conference.

BATESVILLE DISTRICT.

Joseph M. P. Hickerson, P. E.

Batesville Station, William Shepherd.
Batesville Circuit, Burwell Lee.

Jacksonport Station, Mortimer B. Pearson.
Jacksonport Circuit, Benjamin F. Hall.
Powhatan, William R. Foster.
Pocahontas, Moses C. Morris.
Strawberry, John M. Clayton.
Salem, John W. Patton.
Flatwoods, to be supplied, C. N. McGuire, Sup.
Yellville, A. W. C. Drake.
Carrolton, to be supplied.
Huntsville, to be supplied.
Bentonville, to be supplied.
Cane Hill, to be supplied.
Fayetteville, to be supplied.
Fayetteville Station, to be supplied.
Josiah A. Williams, Chaplain C. S. Army, and a member of Batesville Station Quarterly Conference.

CLARKSVILLE DISTRICT.

Russel Reneau, P. E.

Clarksville Circuit, to be supplied.
Dover, to be supplied.
Dardanelle, to be supplied.
Roseville, R. W. Hammet.
Fort Smith Station, William Wilson.
Van Buren Station and Circuit, to be supplied.
Waldron Circuit, Francis M. Moore.

Lewis P. Lively, George A. Shaeffer, Green Boyd, transferred to Texas Conference.

23.—WACHITA CONFERENCE.

HELD AT ARKADELPHIA, ARK., October 5-0, 1864.

WILLIAM P. RATCLIFFE, President; ———, Secretary.

QUESTION 1. Who are admitted on trial?

ANSWER. Edward R. Barcus, Charles A. Williams, George W. Evans. 3.

Ques. 2. Who remain on trial?


Ques. 3. Who are admitted into full connection?

Jonathan A. Clower. 1.

Ques. 4. Who are readmitted?

None.

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

None.

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

E. R. Harrison, James B. Harvey, F. M.

Rhodes, J. W. Brandon, J. A. Stanley, William A. Chamberlain, Calvin M. Gentry, Obadiah Burnett, B. G. Johnson. 9.

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

Jonathan A. Clower.* 1.

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

Peter E. Green,* John Riggin,* William C. Adams.* 3.

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


* Elected, but not ordained.
Ques. 10. What local preachers are elected and ordained elders?
Richard M. Gwyn. 1.

Ques. 11. Who have located this year?
Gideon H. Waring, Thomas S. Tyson. 2.

Ques. 12. Who are supernumerary?

Ques. 13. Who are superannuated?

Ques. 14. What preachers have died during the past year?
J. S. McAlister, J. M. See, L. H. Johnson. 3
No memoirs.

Ques. 15. Are all the preachers blameless in their life and official administration?
Their names were called over, one by one, and their characters examined and passed, except John M. Bradley and Thomas B. Atterbury.

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

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No report.

**Arkadelphia District.**

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$5495.

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

Collected, $5495 00

Applied as follows:
Alexander Avery, $804 00
Lewis Garrett, 302 00
Robert L. Jones, 316 00
William J. Scott, 300 00
Thomas Hunt, 154 00
John Harris, 316 00
W. R. J. Husbands, 200 00
C. O. Steele, 704 00
Mrs. McKenzie, 361 00
" Marshall, 401 00
" McAlister, 302 00
" Owen, 704 00
" Waboun, 455 00
Brother Kennedy's son, 176 00

Ques. 19. What has been contributed for the Missionary, Sunday-school, and Tract Societies?
No report.

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

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

**LITTLE ROCK DISTRICT.**
A. H. Kennedy, P. E.

Little Rock, R. F. Colburn.
Bayou Metre, to be supplied.
Indian Mission and Pacific Conferences, 1864.

Benton, to be supplied.
Des Arc, Obadiah Burnett.
Fine Bluff, Cadesman Pope.
Jefferson, Fountain Brown.
Sulphur Springs, Elijah Crowson.
Lehi, C. M. Gentry.
Plum Bayou, Calvin M. Slover.
De Witt, John M. Doyle.

ARKADELPHIA DISTRICT.
W. R. J. Husbands, P. E.

Arkadelphia, E. N. Watson.
Clark and African Mission, Josiah Greer.
Tulip, Andrew Hunter.
Princeton, James E. Caldwell.
Rockport, Edward R. Barcus.
Hot Springs, to be supplied.
Caddo, C. C. McCrary.
Murfreesboro, Thomas Hunt.

WASHINGTON DISTRICT.
John Pryor, P. E.

Washington, Joseph G. Ward.
Moscow, William J. Scott.
Hempstead, Richard P. Davies.
Centre Point, John P. Holmes.
Centre Point African Mission, to be supplied.
Paraclifta, one to be supplied, M. Turner, Sup.
Richmond, J. M. Stevenson.
Red River, Francis M. Rhodes.
Rondo and African Mission, Robt. C. Atchley.
Richmond African Mission, to be supplied.
Centre Point Male and Female Academy, Thos.

CAMDEN DISTRICT.
William Moores, P. E.

Camden, William P. Ratcliffe.
Wachita, Burton Williams.
Buena Vista, James F. Hall.
Eldorado, Marcus C. Manley, one to be supplied.
Lapeal, Charles A. Williams.
Hillsboro African Mission, to be supplied.
Magnolia, C. O. Steele, one to be supplied.
Louisville, James P. Hulse.
Wulnut Hills, Julius A. Stanley.
Long Prairie African Mission, to be supplied.
African Mission, Samuel Morris, Sup.

MONTICELLO DISTRICT.
Benjamin Watson, P. E.

Monticello and Woodlawn, A. B. Winfield.
Mount Pleasant and African Mission, John H. Blakely, Sup.
Lacy and African Mission, Franklin F. Bond.
Hamburg, J. A. Clower, J. H. Warfield, Sup.
Bartholomew, to be supplied.
Holly Grove, John Dickson, one to be supplied.
Warren, E. L. Gaddis.
Hampton, B. C. Weir.

James E. Cobb, Agent for Trans-Mississippi Army Tract Society.
A. E. Winfield, Horace Jewell, E. R. Harrison,
W. A. Chamberlain, M. H. Wells, J. R. Harvey,
B. G. Johnson, W. J. Davis, George W. Evans,
Chaplains in the C. S. Army.
H. D. McKennon, Missionary to C. S. Army,
and appointed to Clark's Missouri Brigade.

24.—INDIAN MISSION CONFERENCE.
[NO MINUTES FOR 1864 RECEIVED.]

25.—PACIFIC CONFERENCE.
[NO MINUTES FOR 1864 RECEIVED.]