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For one year,
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J. R. ROSEMOND.

For two years,
A. MIDDLETON,
V. H. BULKLEY.

For three years,
E. J. FREDERICK.

Standing Committees.

Committee on Privileges.
A. WEBSTER,
L. M. DUNTON,
F. W. SASPORTAS,
J. B. MIDDLETON,
J. E. WILSON.

Committees of Examination.
1st Year—J. R. Townsend, B. James, S. S. Butler.
2d Year—L. M. Dunton, F. E. McDonald, J. W. White.

Admission on Trial—Presiding Elders and Pastors in charge.
For Local Deacons and Elders' Orders—Presiding Elders and Pastors.

Board of Church Extension.

President—L. M. Dunton.
Vice-President—E. A. WEBSTER.
Secretary—D. M. MINUS.
Treasurer—PETE McFALL.


Presiding Elders et aliae members.

Triers of Appeals.


To Preach Missionary Service.


Officers of the Conference Sunday-School Union.

President—HENRY CARDOZO.
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2d Vice-President—E. J. FREDERICK.
3d Vice-President—J. B. MIDDLETON.
4th Vice-President—A. MIDDLETON.
Secretary—E. M. PINCKNEY.
Treasurer—E. C. BROWN.

Collector of the Accounts of the Book Concern.
E. C. BROWN.

Special Committees.

Auditing Accounts—L. M. Dunton, F. D. Smith, B. F. Witherspoon, Paul D. Harris.


Bible Cause—E. C. Brown, W. J. Smith, S. Thomas, A. Cooper.


Church Extension—D. M. Minus, F. L. Baxter, S. Green, E. J. Frederick.

Church Relations—A. Brown, S. A. King, W. G. Deas, J. A. Sasportas.

Education—J. H. Lawrence, N. C. Davies, V. H. Bulkley, L. S. Blakeney.

 Freedmen's Aid—N. T. Bowen, B. James, W. Mccluster, James Richardson.


Mentionary Appropriation—The Presiding Elders.

Public Worship—The Secretaries and Pastors at Charleston, Columbia, Greenville, Spartanburg and Florence.


Traveller—Henry Cardozo.

Centennial—L. M. Dunton, A. E. Quick, H. C. Dennis, D. G. Johnson.


Disciplinary Questions.

1. Who are received by transfer and from what Conference? None.
6. Who are re-admitted? None.
7. Who are received on credentials from other churches? None.
8. What traveling preachers have been elected deacons? None.
9. What traveling preachers have been ordained deacons? None.
13. Who are traveling deacons of the Second Class? A. E. Quick, S. Thomas, N. C. Davis, Patrick Fair.
16. What local deacons have been ordained elders? John T. Harrison, William Holman, Gabriel P. Gardner, James Richardson.
17. What local deacons have been ordained elders? J. T. Harrison, William Holman, Gabriel Gardner, James Richardson.
19. Who are the supernumerary preachers? Stephen Jet.
20. Was the character of each preacher examined? Yes.
JOURNAL OF PROCEEDINGS.

TWENTIETH SESSION—FIRST DAY.

The Seventy-ninth Session (since reorganization the seventieth) of the South Carolina Conference of the Methodist Episcopal Church convened at Wesley M. E. Church, Cheraw, S. C., January 29th, 1885. Bishop J. M. Walden, D. D., L. L. D., presiding. The Bishop read the 12th chapter of the Prophecies of Isaiah and the 11th chapter of the 2d Epistle to the Corinthians, with appropriate comments. Hymn 840 of the Hymnal was sung. After which the prayer by Bishop Walden. By request of the Bishop the Secretary follows: John Burroughs, J. B. Garrett, E. M. Pinckney, V. H. Bulkley, E. J. Frederick, L. W. A. Oglesby. Alexander Adams, G. F. Frederick, H. F. McElwee, J. W. Brown, E. C. Brown, L. F. Goodlett, Benjamin Robertson, Henry Brown, M. V. Gray, F. W. Sasportas, and the Rev. E. M. Pinckney, F. W. Sasportas, and the Rev. R. S. Rust, D. D., Secretary of the Freedmen's Aid Society. The Rev. R. S. Rust, D. D., and J. R. Crawford of the Presbyterian Church were introduced to the Conference. The Standing Committees were nominated by the Presiding Elders, and confirmed by the Conference excepting those relating to publishing the Minutes and the Committee on Statistics. These nominations were laid on the table. The assistant to the Statistical Secretary were nominated by himself as follows: J. W. Whetstone, E. E. Osgood, and E. F. Witherpoon. The hours of meeting and adjourning was fixed, to meet at 9 A. M., the first half hour to be spent in devotional exercises, and to adjourn at half past 1 P. M. The Bar of the Conference was fixed, to include that portion of the church front that portion of the fourth window to the chancel. E. C. Brown was appointed to collect the accounts of the New York and the Western Book Concerns. J. A. Brown was associated with him as assistant. A draft on the Chartered Fund for $45.00 was authorized. A draft on the divine board of the Book Concern for the amount of $104.00 was ordered. On motion the Presiding Elders were appointed a committee to apportion the amounts to be raised by the charges for benevolent causes. The 20th Question was called and the Florence District confirmed. J. E. Wilson passed in character and the District was reported as follows: (See Report). The following effective elders passed in character and reported their collections: FOR MISSIONS.

R. H. Cottingham .................................................. $100.00
W. W. Adamson, Junior Preacher in charge. .................. 40.00
Benjamin Brown ...................................................... 40.00
Benjamin Gulpere .................................................... 30.00
W. H. Lawrence ...................................................... 50.00
H. Cardozo ........................................................... 25.00
E. C. Brown .......................................................... 107.00
I. E. Lowery .......................................................... 5.00
John Burroughs ...................................................... 12.00
J. A. Brown ........................................................... 75.00
Z. L. Duncan .......................................................... 1.50
F. L. Baxter ........................................................... 72.00
F. D. Smith ........................................................... 80.00
A. Webster .............................................................. 50.00
J. McLeod .............................................................. 35.00
M. V. Gray ............................................................. 20.00
Henry Baker .......................................................... 45.00

The Southeastern District was called and E. M. Pinckney, the Presiding Elder, answered and was passed in character. He reported the District as follows: (See Report No. 2). On motion it was voted to hold an afternoon session at 3 o'clock. A communication from the Rev. J. M. Freeman, D. D., Assistant Secretary of the Sunday-school Union, relating to the Sunday-school Union was read to the Conference. On motion of E. J. Snetter, the Statistical Secretary was instructed to forward to Dr. Freeman a copy of the Sunday-school statistics immediately after the adjournment of the Conference. On motion of L. M. Dunton, A. Webster was appointed treasurer of the centennial fund. A report from the Board of Education was referred to the Committee on Education. Notices of various meetings of the committees were given and the Conference adjourned with the benediction by the Rev. R. S. Rust, D. D.

FIRST DAY—AFTERNOON.

The Conference met pursuant to adjournment at 3 o'clock. Bishop J. M. Walden in the chair. The devotional exercises were conducted by A. Middleton. The roll call was dispensed with. The minutes of the previous session were read, corrected and approved. On motion of A. Webster, Henry Cardozo was appointed Conference Treasurer and assisitant, to aid in receiving the contributions from the several Districts, N. T. Bowen, F. E. McDonald and L. S. Blakeney. The Circuits and Stations were called and the preachers reported their activity and the benevolent and other collections to the Treasurer. A. Webster requested that the Treasurer receive the Centennial Fund also. Granted. The presiding officer notified the Conference that the call for reports will be renewed at the close of the next session of the Conference. The duty of the Conference, stonewas explained by the President. The Rev. V. H. Bulkley was called to the chair. The standing committees and the committees of examination were called and organized. Notices were given of two meetings to be held this evening; one at 8 o'clock and the other at 9 P. M. On motion, the Conference adjourned after singing the long metre doxology with the benediction by W. H. Lawrence.
TWENTIETH SESSION—SECOND DAY—MORNING.

The Conference met at the appointed time, the Bishop, J. M. Walden, in the chair. The devotional exercises were conducted by Henry Cardozo. The roll was called; there were seventeen members absent. The journal of the previous session was read and approved. On motion of Henry Cardozo, the Conference reconsidered its previous action and changed the time of meeting from 9 A. M. to 2:00 instead; a half hour later. The report of the Book Committee was read and referred to the Committee on Books and Periodicals. The Bishop addressed the Conference on the necessity of an increased circulation of our own church literature. The Twentieth Question was resumed and the character of the following effective elders passed; they reporting collections for missions as follows: B. F. Witherspoon, For Missions, 41 20

George W. Beckham ........................................ 40 00

A. D. Harris ........................................ 15 00

S. A. King ........................................ 52 50

J. B. Middleton ......................................... 15 00

York Goodwill ........................................ 15 00

Benjamin Robertson .................................... 5 00

Charles S. Hopkins .................................... 5 00

H. F. McLewee ......................................... 16 00

J. R. Rosemond ......................................... 30 05

N. T. Bowen .......................................... 27 00

Aaron McLees .......................................... 4 00

Sciopic Green .......................................... 27 00

The Revs. G. W. Morehead, E. M. Collett and A. Clark of the North Carolina Conference were introduced to the Conference. The Orangeburg District was called. A. Webster, the Presiding Elder, passed in character and reported the work on his district. (See Report No 3). The following effective elders passed in character: William G. Davis ........................................ For Missions, 14 00

Morris Stewart ........................................ 14 00

F. E. McDonald ......................................... 17 50

Wm. S. Bailey .......................................... 55 17

Samuel Amour ........................................ 26 00

Lewis Rivers deceased .................................. 28 00

Isaac R. Smith, referred to Committee on Conference Relations. E. F. Blackey ........................................ For Missions, 21 70

Daniel M. Minks ........................................ 28 00

William McWillie ...................................... 30 00

Joseph Jenkins ......................................... 5 35

William R. Jervay ...................................... 15 00

V. H. Bulky ............................................ 38 00

Wm. H. Scott .......................................... 5 00

Walter McIntosh ........................................ 5 00

J. W. Brown ............................................ 16 25

Edward Cooke ........................................... 18 25

Lewis M. Duntun ........................................ 28 25

James R. Townsend ..................................... 26 25

Alonzo G. Townsend ................................... 21 00

The Rev. W. P. Thirkield, A. M., Dean of Gammon Theological School, Atlanta, Ga., was introduced to the Conference. The Rev. J. R. Beckhlm was referred to the Committee on Conference Relations. The Bishop then addressed the class with great beauty, force and deep interest, touching our doctrines and polities, showing clearly the permanency of the one and the flexibility of the other. The usual Disciplinary Questions were asked and answered affirmatively by each of the candidates. It was a season of unusually deep interest to the Conference and visitors. On motion, the votes passed, electing and admitting them into full connection. The Tenth Question was called, and the following local preachers were elected to deacon orders: Edward Brock, J. L. Chestnut, W. J. McDaniel, C. C. Robertson, Bishop J. M. Walden, James Adamson, John E. Blakeney, Isaac T. Thompson, Edward D. Sasser, J. W. Witherspoon, the Bishop, Joseph Jenkins reported his work for missions, 18 00. On motion, his character passed. On motion of E. M. Pinckney, Charles T. Hopkins was referred to the Committee on Conference Relations. Burrell James was called. He was detained at home in consequence of the death of an only son. J. E. Wilson reported for him for missions 35 00. The list of committees was called and several reported readiness. (See List). E. J. Snetter was passed in character—missions 8 25. On motion, W. H. Scott, Z. L. Duncan and W. W. Adamson were referred to the Committee on Conference Re-
lations. The time of adjournment was extended. It was voted that an after­noon session of the Conference be held at 4 o'clock. A. Middleton was substi­tuted a Conference Steward instead of Henry Cardozo, excused. The action of the last Conference touching the ordination of A. McLees having expired by limitation, the Bishop ruled that Brother McLees was fully entitled to ordination. Notices were given of various meetings, and on motion of J. E. Wilson, the Conference adjourned after singing the long-metre doxology. The benediction was pronounced by the Rev. W. P. Thirkild, A.M.

THIRD DAY—AFTERNOON SESSION.

The Conference met pursuant to adjournment, the Rev. L. M. Dunton in the chair. The devotional exercises were conducted by V. H. Bulkley. L. M. Dunton addressed the Conference in the interest of Claffin University and the necessity of a new building at that place. The roll was called and pledges renewed. The Conference ordered the steward to raise a sufficient amount to erect the building. The Bishop resumed the chair. The Third Question was called and Charles C. Jacobs (Junior Preacher).

Stewart Simmmons.......................... For Missions, 17 35
Clayton R. Brown........................... " 36 00
Julius C. Pendargrass (Junior Preacher) " 25 00
Henry C. Dennis........................... " 25 00
Alfred Lewis.................................. " 17 08

Francis C. Jones was continued in the first year under the Third Question. The Thirteenth Question was called and these were advanced to the second class of deacons with the exceptions noted.

Joshua S. Garrett was continued under the Twelfth Question.

A. E. Quick................................. For Missions, 35 00

Brother Quick was instructed to bring up his studies in Kidder's Homiletics.

Shadrack Thomas............................ For Missions, 10 00

Erasmus Dimly was continued under the Twelfth Question, deacon of the first class. The Rev. W. P. Thirkild, A.M., of Gammon School of Theology, addressed the Conference in the interest of the School. The Rev. W. F. Steele of Bennett Seminary, Greensboro, N. C., also spoke of the advantages of the School, and stated the success of the work in his charge. On motion, it was voted to hold memorial services on to morrow (Sunday) night, in commemoration of Bishops Simpson and Wiley, at which time the Committee on Memoirs is requested to present papers on the life and services of the deceased brethren of the Conference. The list of committees were called and they handed in their reports. (See Report). Announcements of Sunday's services were made, the Minutes were read and approved and the Conference adjourned with the benediction by J. A. Sasportas.

TWENTIETH SESSION—FOURTH DAY, Feb. 2d, 1885.

"See Sabbath Services."

TWENTIETH SESSION—FIFTH DAY—MORNING.

The Conference convened at the appointed hour, Bishop J. M. Walden, pre­sid­ing. The devotional exercises were conducted by E. J. Nettles. The Bishop, in a few well chosen words, addressed the Conference on the necessity of holding weekly meetings for the appointment of the Pastors. The Stations. The Eighteenth Question was called and the following superan­numery preachers passed in character, and their relation continued. A. C. Dutton, P. Witherspoon, Thomas Wright, L. W. A. Oglesby. On motion of L. Arthur, a collection amounting to $15.11 was taken up for the relief of Lisbon Johnson. The Nineteenth Question was called and Stephen Jeff was continued in the superannuated relation. The following Tiers of Appeal were appointed. (See list elsewhere). The Committee on Conference Relations reported that John B. Beckham has withdrawn from the church. In the case of J. B. Smith, they recommended that he be located for having left his work without notifying his Presiding Elder. On motion, the whole matter was referred to his Presiding Elder for further investigation. In the case of W. H. Scott, on motion, he was continued in the effective relation. On motion of E. M. Pinckney, Charles T. Hopkins was granted supernumerary relation. In the case of Z. L. Duncan, on motion, he was continued in the effective relation. On motion of A. Webster, Edward Cook was granted supernumerary relation. The following resolution offered by D. M. Minus and others in reference to Dr. E. Cook was unanimously adopted. (See Report). By the vote of the Conference the Bishop was requested to appoint L. M. Dunton, President, and A. G. Townsend, Professor in Claffin University. The Second Question was called and the following were reported and the report were recommitted for modification. On motion of J. W. White, a collection amounting to $5.12 was taken for the janitor. The Committee on Emigration submitted their report, which was amended and adopted. The Conference Stewards submitted their report, which was amended and adopted. The Committee on Emigration submitted a report. It was read, discussed and recommitted for modification. The Statistical Secretary submitted his report. The Committee on Missions submitted their report, which was read and adopted. President J. L. Chestnut is requested to call the roll of the Conference. On motion, it was voted that the preachers be requested to subscribe for a specified number of copies of the Minutes for which they must be responsible. The Conference Stewards submitted their report, which was amended and adopted. The Conference then adjourned after singing the doxology, with the benediction by J. W. Brown.

FIFTH DAY—AFTERNOON.

The Conference met at 3 o'clock P. M., Bishop J. M. Walden, presiding. The devotional exercises were conducted by L. Arthur. On motion, a committee on the publication of the Minutes was appointed, to consist of the Secretaries and the Pastors at Charleston, Columbus, Greenville, Spartanburg and Florence. The Pastor at Centenary declined to act, and was excused. On motion it was voted that the preachers be requested to subscribe for a specified number of copies of the Minutes for which they must be responsible. The Conference Stewards submitted their report, which was amended and adopted. The Committee on Emigration submitted a report. It was read, discussed and recommitted for modification. The Statistical Secretary submitted his report. The Committee on Missions submitted their report, which was read and adopted. The Conference then adjourned after singing the doxology, with the benediction by J. W. Brown.

FIFTH DAY—EVENING SESSION.

The Conference met at the appointed hour, half past 7 P. M., Bishop J. M. Walden in the chair. The devotional exercises were conducted by E. C. Brown. W. H. Lawrence was called to the chair and the Preachers Aid Society held its annual meeting. Bishop Walden resumed the chair. The Second Question was called and J. L. Chestnut was admitted on trial in the traveling connection. The Committee on Examination, Church Extension and Emigration, reported, and the reports were adopted. The Committee on Missions submitted their report. Adopted. W. H. Lawrence was appointed to preach the Missionary Sermon, and J. W. White alternate. Resolutions of thanks to the Railroad, the Church and Citizens, the Secretaries, and to Bishop J. M. Walden, were adopted. The following were nominated for new Stewards of Claffin University, Rev. Bishop J. M. Walden, D.D., Revs. W. H. Lawrence, E. M. Pinckney, W. R. Jervay, Mr. J. C. Allmon and C. M. Wilder. The Resolution to the Bishop was unanimously adopted by a rising vote. The meeting adjourned at 7 o'clock. (See Report). The Minutes were read and approved. The Conference then engaged in devotional services, Hymn 222 was sung and Bishop Walden led in prayer. The appointments were read, the benediction pronounced by the Bishop and the Conference adjourned sine die.

J. M. WALDEN, President.

J. B. MIDDLETOWN, Secretary.

A true and correct record of the proceedings of the Twentieth Session of the South Carolina Annual Conference of the M. E. Church.

D. MINUS.

J. R. TOWNSSEND.
NIGHT SERVICES.

Thursday Night—Anniversary of the S. S. Union was held, W. H. Lawrence, President. Addresses were delivered by V. H. Bulkley, R. S. Rust, D.D., Henry Cardozo and W. H. Lawrence.

Friday Night—Services appropriate to the Centennial of organized Methodism were held. Addresses by A. Middleton, W. P. Thirkield, V. H. Bulkley, L. M. Dunton, Rev. R. S. Rust, D.D., and Bishop J. M. Walden, D.D.

Saturday Night—A temperance mass meeting was held. Addresses by Rev. Collett of North Carolina, Prof. C. C. Scott of Greenville and W. F. Steele of Greensboro.


Monday Night—The presiding officers held their regular annual meeting, elected officers for the ensuing year and received contributions.

SABBATH SERVICES.

At 9.30 o'clock the Conference Love Feast was held, led by Fathers J. A. Saporas and J. R. Rosemond. Testimonies for the Master, brief and pointed, followed each other in rapid succession, both from the old soldiers, soon to lay their armor by, from those just buckling it on, and from others who are in the thickest of the fight. These intermingled with the flow of song, made it a season of great spiritual refreshment. At 11 o'clock the Bishop preached from Rom. 1: 11, 16 for one hour and a quarter. He held the attention of his audience to a discourse, full and rich in exposition, clear and forcible in its presentation and accompanied with great spiritual unction. After which the deacons were ordained. At 3.30 o'clock, the Conference missionary sermon was delivered by H. Cardozo from 2d Cor. 4, 6. The sermon was very scholarly prepared, chaste in its delivery, sound in its doctrine, firm in hope of the world's conversion and abounded in scriptural proofs of the ultimate triumph of the gospel and the full establishment of Christ's kingdom on the earth. The Elders were then ordained.

Other Churches—Baptist Church, A. M., V. H. Buckley; P. M., Y. Goodlett. Presbyterian Church, A. M., Rev. Collett; P. M., Rev. A. McLees; M. E. Church, South, 7.30 p. m., Rev. Bishop J. M. Walden.

RESOLUTIONS.

(C.—Dr. Cook.

Whereas the Rev. Edward Cooke, D. D., has been connected both with our Educational interest at Claflin University and our Conference during the past ten years, and has been instrumental in training so many youths of the State; and

Whereas, he has now, on account of impaired health returned to his home in the North, and desires to have his name restored to the roll of his old Conference; and

Whereas, he has done a great and unselfish work for the intellectual and moral benefit of our people, and also has given us especially valuable lessons in the prayer of which shall never be forgotten. 

Therefore be it Resolved: That we, the members of the South Carolina Conference of the M. E. Church will ever hold in grateful remembrance the name of Dr. Cooke; who has the honor of advancing Claflin University to a high position, and for which he has our highest appreciation, warmest thanks and most fervent prayers that God may spare his life for many years of usefulness, and that he may be permitted to return to us again, and see how the seed which he has sown has become a tree and is bringing forth fruit.

Resolved. That a copy of these resolutions be published in Zion's Herald, the New York Advocate, and the Messenger.

Respectfully submitted,

D. M. MINUS,
J. W. WHITE,
S. S. BUTLER,
E. H. CORT,
L. ARTHUR,
L. E. BLAKENAY,
J. B. MIDDLETON.

Resolved. That the thanks of the Conference are hereby expressed to the good people of Cheraw for their kindness and most liberal hospitality extended to us during this session, and upon them we pray the blessings of the Lord.

J. W. WHITE.
B. F. WITHERSPOON.

Resolved. That the thanks of this Conference be and are hereby tendered the several Railroad Corporations for their kindness in allowing us transportation at reduced rates.

J. W. WHITE.
F. E. MCDONALD.

To the Secretary, the Recording Secretary and Statistical Secretaries and their assistants for their fidelity and the efficient manner in which they discharged their duties.

J. W. WHITE.
F. E. MCDONALD.

Resolved. That the thanks of this Conference are hereby tendered Bishop J. M. Walden for his able administration of the affairs of the Conference, his impartial rulings and the pains-taking manner in which he explained every point of interest. And whenever in the Providence of God he shall again come to us, we shall receive him with open hearts.

J. W. WHITE.
I. E. LOWERY.

Resolved. That the Board of Bishops be requested, through Bishop Walden, that if practicable, the sessions of the Conference be held hereafter not earlier than the last week in January, and that they begin (the session) on Thursday instead of Wednesday; thus making better financial returns more probable.

H. CARDOZO.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES.

(A) Auditing Committee.

The committee has examined the accounts of the Presiding Elders and has found them to be correct.

L. M. DUNTON, Chairman Committee.

(B) Bible Cause.

Dear Brethren: Your committee on Bible Cause beg leave to make the following report. We are deeply impressed with the importance of having the Bible, the word of God, widely circulated throughout the bounds of our Conference. There seems to be a want of interest in the matter of Bible circulation. Many of our homes are without the Bible. Every home should have God's word there. What is home without a Bible? The American Bible Society is fittingly adapted to the circulation of Bibles, and we know of no better way to have the word of God in our homes than through this Society. The brethren of the Conference should interest themselves in this great cause and assist the American Bible Society in doing its great work, and cease not until the Bible is widely circulated in the homes of our people.

Resolved, That we do all in our power by preaching on the subject, and taking a collection for the Bible Cause during the ensuing year.

Respectfully submitted,

E. C. BROWN,
W. J. SMITH,
A. COOPER,
S. THOMAS.
The Girls Industrial Home is an assured success. The only drawback at present is the want of a suitable building. This lack will, however, soon be supplied, as the ladies of the Philadelphia Conference have subscribed $2,000 for the Mathew Simpson Industrial Home, to be located at Orangeburg, S. C., in connection with Claflin University. The greatest need at present is the South Carolina Conference Centennial building. The present accommodations are exhausted, and the rooms and beds are crowded to their utmost capacity. It is hoped that the South Carolina Conference will give us sufficient assurance, so that the erection of the building may be begun at once.

(C)—Church Extension.

Your Committee on Church Extension beg leave to report as follows:

That we have abundant cause for gratitude to Almighty God for raising up this institution through whose agency our people have been enabled to erect suitable houses for divine worship, in which their poverty they could not have done. As new territories are gradually opening to us, and by soliciting subscriptions wherever, and wherever they can, to maintain The Methodist Messenger, now published at Charleston, S. C.,

J. A. BROWN.
G. C. ROBERTSON.

(C)—Certificate of Ordination.

This certifies that on Sunday, February 1st, 1885, at Cheraw, S. C., I ordained

DEACONS.


ELDERS.


J. M. WALDEN.

(E)—Education.

"Knowledge is power." "Knowledge," says the author of Rasselas, "will always predominate over ignorance as man does over the brute creation." One well-developed brain accomplishes more than a million of hands. The thinking of Bacon set to work the inventive skill which has produced the steam engine, the telegraph and the multiplied inventions and discoveries of modern civilization.

Letters, to a large degree preserve the results of thought. They distinguish civilization from barbarism. Genius may occasionally succeed without their cultivation, but they are necessary to a general diffusion of knowledge.

The letters, which Cædmon is said to have brought into Greece, excited a race of barbarians into that cultivated people, whose attendant arms and achievements in the age of Pelops have been the wonder and admiration of all subsequent ages. The difference between the palace residences which line Fifth Avenue, New York, and the wigwams of the Indians or the kraals of the Bot-
tentote begins in the alphabet. Vowels express emotion, consonants thought. The barbarous jargon of the uncivilized races is rich in vowel sounds; while the polished languages of civilization are full of consonants, theirugal cultivation is intimately connected with a knowledge of the consonants.

When the Ephraimites had relapsed so far towards barbarism, that they forgot the true pronunciation of \"Shibboleth,\" they lost their rank among the Hebrews and perished with great slaughter at the hands of the Jordan. In testing the portion of our country which rules to-day in the thought of the nation, the letter \"r\" occupies the same place that the aspirate \"h\" did in this episode of Hebrew history.

For two hundred and fifty years the descendants of the African race in America were deprived of the advantages of the alphabet. The spelling-book in the hands of the slave was regarded by the slaveholder as an infernal machine. It was to the slavocracy of that day what the dawning of the Nihilists to the last days of the tzarism of Russia. Its suppression was necessary to the permanence of the \"divine institution.\"

When four millions of slaves, having escaped from bondage by the Red Sea of civil war, found within them the Heaven-kindled will to become a great people, they instinctively asked for the spelling book. Like the Irish \"Shamrock,\" the Trojan palladium and the Hebrew ark, it became the symbol of their liberty; their Heaven-sent boon.

Edward Everett said that Methodism is doing more for the education of the American people than any other religious body in the land. The Methodist Episcopal Church can look with honest pride upon her efforts to educate the \"brother in black.\" Before the battle flags were furled she stood as his champion. In her hands was the coveted spelling book. Since that day she has never relaxed her interest in this work of education. Her Freedmen\'s Schools have developed into seminaries and colleges, from which hundreds and thousands of teachers have gone to multiply her work in education.

She has now three great societies in the South at work in this noble cause. The Woman\'s Home Missionary Society has come to teach the sacredness of the hearth stone, the responsibility of the cradle, and the economies and adornments of home. The Board of Education offers to every intelligent boy and girl an open path to a position of usefulness in a pulpit or a professor\'s chair. The Freedmen\'s Aid Society has its institutions as beacons sending their far-darting rays into the cabins of the poor to awaken hope, thought and energy.

The Centennial year just closed has been used by the members of the M. E. Church in the South to show their appreciation of these advantages. Their thank offerings are designed to erect memorial buildings for the schools established within the bounds of their respective Conferences. The South Carolina Conference has raised two thousand dollars for this purpose and we hope the contributions will continue until a building is reared at Claflin University which will reflect credit upon the Conference.

With the high standing which New England has obtained in the world\'s estimation for cultured society, great institutions of learning, and an almost perfect common school system, it is remembered with pride that in the humble board of Education of the South Carolina Conference, its founders made contributions in bales of corn and barrels of potatoes. We hope the favored children of coming generations will be permitted to see standing at Claflin University, the South Carolina Conference Memorial Building as a monument of the sacrifices of their fathers in this heroic age.

We rejoice in the prosperity of Claflin University under the Presidency of the Rev. L. M. Dunton. Crowded with students; with a well-equipped faculty, the confidence of the entire Conference in its management, and God\'s blessing upon it in frequently occurring revivals of religion Claflin University promises great things for the future.

The Baker Theological Institute with Rev. A. Webster, D.D., as President, is still recognized. and we hope it will prove all that its friends desire.

At Wofford University, the Grammon School of Theology, under Dr. Thirkield, offers excellent advantages to advanced theological students.

We hope the schools of our Freedmen\'s Aid Society will receive the discriminating patronage of our people. We suggest that the policy of filling the Professors\' chairs of these institutions with competent graduates of our own church and Conferences will do much to recommend them to our people.

The common school system of this State is very inadequate to meet the wants of our children in elementary instruction. As preachers, it is our duty to use every possible influence to increase their efficiency. Where the school year lasts but two or three months, we should, whenever practicable, and without interfering with our pastoral work, seek to establish parochial schools and urge their general patronage among our congregations.

Respectfully submitted,

W. H. BULKLEY,
L. S. BLAKENEY.

(F.)—Emigration.

Your committee beg leave to report, that this question is one of great importance to us, and it demands our careful consideration. Having examined the matter carefully to discover, if possible, the causes of this general movement among our people. We find first among them the election of a Democratic President. It being thought by some that Democratic supremacy in the National Government means re-enslavement of the negroes of the South. The second cause is the hope of many of bettering their condition. together with the too hasty yielding in some instances to the persuasions of railroad representatives. We should caution our people against any inconsistent action in so important a matter, inasmuch as the movement may prove detrimental to some. We do not object to men leaving the State or others persuading them to do so when it is to better the condition of the emigrants. It is right and proper that all free citizens of America should be perfectly untrammeled by National or statutory enactments to select their homes in any part of our broad domain not set apart for others, when they do so to better their condition. The manner in which some of these paid agents have been playing upon the fears of our people is very reprehensible and should be denounced by this Conference.

Resolved, That we pronounce a hasty emigration as unwise and dangerous.

Respectfully submitted,

E. H. COIT,
J. R. ROSEMOND,
B. JAMES.

(F.)—Freedmen\'s Aid.

Your Committee on Freedmen\'s Aid beg leave to report, that we recognize the Freedmen\'s Aid Society as one of the best helpers of the church. When we consider the great work it has already accomplished in the South—sustaining among us schools for the professional, educational, moral and religious training of our youth of both sexes; and sending educated and converted instructors to us who have devoted themselves to the work assigned them, we are impressed with and freely acknowledge the fact that under the efficient management of the indefatigable Christian laborer, Rev. R. S. Rust, D.D., the improvement of the colored people of our church is largely due to the agency of this indispensable adjunct of our Methodism.

Resolved, That the Centennial collection for this cause that was so well begun last year at the Conference had was continued this Conference year and the preachers be requested to give each member of his charge an opportunity of contributing to the support of the Freedmen\'s Aid Society.

Respectfully submitted,

W. M. McWILLIE,
N. T. BOWEN,
B. JAMES,
J. RICHARDSON.

(M.)—Memoirs.

There departed this life on the 17th of April, 1884, the Rev. Lewis Rivers, member of the South Carolina Conference. Brother Rivers was born in Charleston, S. C., December 25th, 1846, and died at Johnson, Lexington County. His parents were free, but, like many others of his race, he was dispossessed of his freedom and forced into bondage, where he remained until liberated by the result of the war of 1861. Almost his entire life previous to his emancipation was spent in the service of Capt. Bouche of the United States Coast
Survey, and although entirely against his will, yet his years of servitude, were years of fidelity to the trust committed to him, and cheerfulness and hope of a future deliverance. Freedom came to him, in the year 1865, in Greenville County where in common with others, he could first claim his birth-right, as an inheritance. His early educational advantages were, under the circumstances, limited to the bare rudiments of knowledge, which he improved to some extent by his own unaided efforts. He was subsequently a student in Baker Theological Institute, Brother Rivers was converted in his youth at "Old Trinity Basement," Charleston, through the instrumentality of the indefatigable and fervent F. A. Smith and his powerful exhortations of William Darrington... These men were giants in their day and although his surroundings on ship-board were not calculated to assist him in a broad spiritual development and deep Christian culture, yet he ever clung to the cross of Christ as the sheet-anchor of hope, that could successfully defy the raging billows and storms of life. He entered the Conference on trial, December, 1868, and was admitted into full connection, January, 1874. He was a teacher in the public schools of this State of Florida. Brother Rivers contracted a severe disease in his comparative youth which caused him many hours of deep grief, pain and much suffering. This, to some extent, impaired his general usefulness as a minister of the gospel. He well deserved and largely shared the charity of his brethren. To the writer, he said, soon after the close of the last Conference, Brother Jimmy, I am dying slowly, I don't think I can hold out this year, but I will go to the work assigned me, and die at my post." And the sweet singer of Israel literally died at his post; the post of duty to God and himself—what moral heroism! Poverty and even death awaited him, but "none of these things moved him." He was a good practical preacher and a superior singer. No more will he cheer us with his favorite battle song that he was wont to sing, as each session of the Conference:

The children are gathering; from near and from far; The trumpet is sounding: the call for the war; The conflict is raging—twill be fearful and long. But we'll gird on the armor and be marching along. He has now changed his song to one of triumph. There is victory at last, brothers, there's victory at last, In the ranks fore-most; for I fall at my post and the warfare now is past, O, the conflict now is past boys, the conflict now is past And there's victory, victory, there's victory at last.

Let us inscribe upon the tablet erected to his memory this epigram—

"He died at his post." J. B. MIDDLETON, for the Com.

(M.)—Memoir.

Brother George W. Brabham, the subject of this memoir, was born in Barnwell County, S. C., and died at Allendale in the same county, May 15th, 1884. He joined the M. E. Church, South, in his youth, but on the reorganization of the Methodist Episcopal, transferred his membership, April 15th, 1868. He was received into the church and licensed a local preacher by the same T. A. Lewis and was admitted into the traveling connection January, 1880. He was a man of great faith and ever trusted in God. In moments with the presence of his Master and when the end came he quietly embarked for the land of bliss and eternal security where he will hunger and thirst no more. His life was peaceful; his death triumphant.

"Servant of God, well done, Thy glorious warfare end. The battle's fought, the victory won, And thou art crowned at last.

A. MIDDLETON, A. D. HARRIS, S. SIMMONS, M. STEWART.

(S.)—Conference Stewards.

The Conference Stewards beg leave to report, that they have received dividend from book Concern ........................................... $104 00

Draft from the Chartered Fund .................................................. 30 00

Collection for Conference claims ........................................... 43 25

Total .................................................. $177 25

They have disbursed the same as follows:

To Widow Darrington........................................... $30 00

To Widow Smith........................................... 10 00

To Widow Lucas' children........................................... 10 00

To Widow Manuel........................................... 10 00

To P. Wheeler........................................... 10 00

To F. D. Smith........................................... 10 00

To H. Lawrence........................................... 10 00

To A. Webster........................................... 10 00

To L. A. Oglesby........................................... 10 00

To C. Scott........................................... 10 00

Total .................................................. $177 25

Respectfully submitte, A. MIDDLETON, L. ARTHUR, E. KIRBY, E. J. SNETTER.

(S.)—Sunday Schools.

Your Committee on Sunday Schools submit the following: We regard the Sunday School as a most important department in our church; and appreciate fully the deep concern of our officials manifested in the ample provisions made for its development with pleasure. We receive a better interest in this cause among us. Institutes are held, and our schools are increasing in Christian
education, and by this means many of the members are led to Christ. Religious instruction is needed among our people, and is appreciated in the Sunday School more than from the pulpit. We regard the school as the future church and therefore there is yet much to be done. The salvation of the children is the one factor in the problem of the world's conversion that can be easily solved. "Take the children and we have the world." Therefore,

Resolved, 1. That in order to the full development of our Sunday Schools we collect largely for the S. S. Union.

Resolved, 2. That as far as possible we secure efficient Christian teachers of our own church.

Resolved, 3. That we observe strictly the rules respecting the instruction of children and that each Sunday School be organized into a missionary society.

Resolved, 4. That we will ever appreciate the untiring and gigantic efforts of the officers of the Sunday School Union especially as directed by the efficient manager, Dr. Vincent, and regret to find in our statistics less children enrolled, than communicants in our churches.

Respectfully submitted,

T. J. CLARK,
S. S. BUTLER,
B. GUFFLE.

(T.)—Temperance.

Your Committee on Temperance beg leave to make the following report: Temperance, in its ordinary meaning, is moderation, especially in drinking. In the sense in which it is now used, it means total abstinence from all that is intoxicating. It also includes the idea of organized efforts, such as temperance societies for the suppression of intemperance. In no better way can we show the great merit and need of temperance ideas than by contrasting it with its opposite, intemperance. The issue is not on a mere sentiment, but on a living, burning conflict that deeply concerns every family in the land. Alcohol, as a beverage, is the common foe of humanity. There is none so high as to be beyond its reach, none so low as to be beneath it in homes and hearts, to the ranks of the sober, thoughtful people of the State, whose watchword is "Alcohol as a beverage must go." The signs are hopeful. There exists, organized that fulfills their mission of disseminating temperance literature. Others are employed in re-organizing the temperance element in the State. The better class of people are in love and fellowship with the "local option" law and have under its operation rendered many of the towns of the "dry" type, where the public lease has been perceptibly improved. Our own church has taken the highest ground on this question and has spoken through its General Conference in no uncertain way. Our ministers and people generally, in the State and in the front ranks and leaders of the battle, are almost universal among us. For all of which we thank God and take courage.

Resolved. That each preacher continue the interest, by preaching special sermons on the subject of temperance and by enlisting the moral and active support of his charge in the cause.

Resolved 2 That whenever possible let only unfermented wines be used for sacramental purposes. Respectfully submitted,

J. W. WHITE,
ALEX. ADAMS,
R. F. BLAKENY,
H. F. MCELLWEE.
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Patrick Fair, Student at Clark University, Member of Greenville Quarterly Conference.

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## Camden and St. Joshua Circuit.
- Ella Dibble: 100
- J. H. Holley: 100
- Red Hill S.S.: 40
- Red Hill S.S.: 50
- Bethel Sunday S.: 50
- St. Philip's Ch.: 75

## Barnwell Ct.
- A. Adams: 50
- J. A. Connell: 50
- W. S. Rives: 50
- Molly Johnson: 50
- Rachel Rivers: 50
- Eve Brabham: 50
- Manly Parry: 50
- William Hoyland: 50
- Eliza Haygood: 50
- Additional: 200

## Marion Circuit.
- A. Middleton: 50
- W. S. Nell: 125
- Lucy Mills: 100
- W. K. Holloway: 100
- G. W. Bowen: 50
- F. E. Taylor: 50
- Hannah Rogers: 50
- Emily Sanders: 50
- J. D. Middleton: 50
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- Dos Dumonia Page: 50
- Sukey Forworth: 50
- Leah McKibben: 50
- Phillips Donnelly: 50
- Public Collection: 50
- Flora Hatch: 268
- Phoebe Taylor: 50
- Celia Moses: 50

## Marion & PeeDee Ct.
- J. H. Holmes: 75
**RESOLUTION:—(M)—Minutes.**

The following resolution was, by accident, omitted from its proper position among the resolutions, and is therefore inserted here.

Resolved, That forty dollars be appropriated by this Conference for publishing the names of the contributors to Missions of fifty cents and upwards.

W. H. LAWRENCE.
### STATISTICS FOR GREEenville DISTRICT, SOUTH CAROLINA

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- For American Bible Soc'y: $10,000
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