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Minutes
of the
South Carolina
Annual
Conference
of ministers of the
Methodist
Episcopal Church
Jan. 30, 1833

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MINUTES

the 4th Session
OF THE

SOUTH-CAROLINA CONFERENCE

OF THE

METHODIST EPISCOPAL CHURCH,

FOR THE YEAR

1832

Held at Lincolnton, N.C.,
Jan 20, 1833.

TO WHICH ARE ADDED,

THE REPORT OF THE MISSIONARY SOCIETY,

AND

THE CONSTITUTIONS AND BY-LAWS OF THE SEVERAL SOCIETIES
AND TRUSTS CONNECTED WITH THE CONFERENCE.

PUBLISHED BY ORDER OF THE CONFERENCE AND THE
MISSIONARY SOCIETY,

Charleston:

PRINTED BY J. S. BURGESS, 44 QUEEN-STREET.
1833.

MINUTES, &c.

Question 1. What Preachers are admitted on trial?

Bartlett Thomason, Horatio M'Clenaghan, Whitefoord Smith, William R. Smith, George W. Huggins, Theophilus Huggins, John L. Smith.

Ques. 2. Who remain on trial?

John K. Morse, William M. D. Moore, Jacob B. Anthony, William C. M'Nabb, Archibald B. M'Gilvray, Mark Russell, Parley W. Clenny.

Ques. 3. Who are admitted into full connexion?

Charles Wilson, Hugh A. C. Walker, Leonard Rush, William Whitby, Thomas Neill.

Ques. 4. Who are the Deacons?

Allen M'Corquodale, John W. M'Coll, Allen Hamby, Samuel Bozman, Tracey R. Walsh, James Stacey, who were ordained last year; and Hugh A. C. Walker, Charles Wilson, Leonard Rush, William Whitby, and Thomas Neill, who have been ordained at the present Conference.

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

William Murrah, James J. Richardson, Frederick Rush, Churchwell A. Crowell, John Covington, David J. Allen, James J. Alison, Thomas D. Turpin, and John R. Coburn.

Ques. 6. Who have located this year?

Jacob Hill, John H. Massey, David L. Ballew, and John M. Kelly.

Ques. 7. Who are the Supernumerary Preachers?

Reddick Piercee, Morgan C. Turrentine, Jacob Ozier, Thomas C. Smith, and Allen Hamby.

Ques. 8. Who are the Superannuated or worn-out Preachers:

Isaac Smith, James Jenkins, Wm. Kennedy, James Dannelly, Francis C. Spraggs, and Benjamin Bell.

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

None.

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 Who have withdrawn from the Connexion this year?

None.

Ques. 11. Were all the Preachers' characters examined?

This was strictly attended to, by calling over their names before the Conference.

Ques. 12. Who have died this year?

None.

Ques. 13. What numbers are in the Churches?

CHARLESTON DIST.	Whites.	Col'd.	COLUMBIA cont'd.	Whites.	Col'd.
Charleston,	639	3221	Chesterfield,	474	223
Black Swamp Ct.	528	427	Wateree,	732	285
Hollow Creek or } Barnwell Ct. }	479	204		4438	4609
Orangeburg,	959	918	FAYETTEVILLE DISTRICT.		
Cypress,	1069	965	Georgetown,	163	1454
Cooper River,	308	435	Black River,	633	1682
Mission South of } Charleston, }	51	1058	Pee Dee,	1958	857
Mission on Santee,	0	337	Cheraw,	78	121
	4033	7565	Waccamaw,	632	286
SALUDA DISTRICT.			Brunswick,	615	547
Saluda Ct.	777	498	Wilmington,	89	675
Abbeville,	1417	502	Bladen,	669	584
Koewee,	754	114	Fayetteville,	188	494
Reedy River,	688	184		5025	6700
Enoree,	939	273	LINCOLN TON DISTRICT.		
Laurens,	541	208	Deep River,	347	62
Newberry,	469	504	Montgomery,	919	155
	5585	2283	Rocky River,	897	162
COLUMBIA DISTRICT.			Rutherford,	767	133
Columbia,	172	375	Morganton,	590	114
Congaree Ct.	375	225	Sugar Creek,	547	150
Sandy River,	928	687	Lincoln,	905	195
Camden,	113	722	York,	429	71
Santee,	889	1647		291	127
Darlington,	755	445		5692	1169

RECAPITULATION.

Charleston District	- - - -	4033	7565
Saluda District,	- - - -	5585	2283
Columbia District,	- - - -	4438	4609
Fayetteville District,	- - - -	5025	6700
Lincolnton District,	- - - -	5692	1169
Total,	- - - -	24773	22326
Total last year,	- - - -	21638	20434
Increase this year,	- - - -	3135	1892
Grand total,	- - - -	47099	
Last year,	- - - -	42072	
Increase,	- - - -	5027	

Ques. 14. Where are the Preachers stationed this year? 1833

CHARLESTON DISTRICT—Henry Bass, P. E.

Charleston—William Capers, Joseph Holmes,

Hugh A. C. Walker, Reddick Pierce, Supernumerary, to change after three months with John K. Morse.

Black Swamp—Wm. W. King, W. M. D. Moore.

* Barnwell—John H. Robinson, Parley W. Clenny.

Orangeburg—Thos. E. Ledbetter, S. Dunwoody.

Cypress—Henry W. Ledbetter, Christian G. Hill.

Cooper River—Frederick Rush, Samuel Bozman.

Mission to the Negroes on May and New Rivers—

Thomas D. Turpin.

The following Missions are under the superintendence of W. Capers.

Mission to the Negroes on the Islands about Beaufort—George W. Moore, and one to be supplied.

Mission to the Negroes on Combahee and Pon Pon—John R. Coburn.

Mission to the Negroes on North and South Santee—John Bunch, and one to be supplied.

SALUDA DISTRICT—Malcom M'Pherson, P. E.

Saluda Ct.—Joseph Moore, Morgan C. Turrentine, supernumerary.

Abbeville—William M. Wightman, Theophilus Huggins.

* Formerly Hollow Creek.

Koewee—John M'Coll.
 Reedy River—*John B. Chappell*.
 *Union—Jacob B. Anthony, *Jacob Ozier*, sup.
 Laurens—James Stacey.
 Newberry—*John Covington*, Thomas Neill.

COLUMBIA DISTRICT—*William M. Kennedy*, P. E.
 Columbia—*Bond English*.

Congaree—*Churchwell A. Crowell*, John K. Morse,
 to change after three months with Reddick Pierce.

Sandy River—*Wm. T. Smith*, Whitefoord Smith.
 Camden—*William Murrah*.

Santee—*Robert Adams*, William C. M'Nabb.

Darlington—*Wm. Martin*, Horatio M'Clenaghan.

Chesterfield—Archibald B. M'Gilvray.

Waterce—*Angus M'Pherson*, *Thomas C. Smith*,
 supernumerary.

Mission to the Negroes on the Waterce—One to be
 supplied.

Mission to the Negroes near Manchester—One to
 be supplied.

FAYETTEVILLE DISTRICT—*Nicholas Tulley*, P. E.

Georgetown—*Charles Betts*.

Black River—*Benj. H. Capers*, Wm. Whitby.

Pee Dee—Tracey R. Walsh, Mark Russell.

Cheraw—*David J. Allen*.

Rockingham—*Joel W. Townsend*, John L. Smith.

Waccamaw—Charles Wilson.

Brunswick—*Kenneth Murchison*, Wm. R. Smith.

Wilmington—*Samuel W. Capers*.

Bladen—*Jackey M. Bradley*.

Fayetteville—*William Crook*.

Mission to the Negroes on Cape Fear River—*Ebe-
 nezer Legett*.

LINCOLN DISTRICT—*Hartwell Spain*, P. E.

Deep River—Allen M'Corquodale, and one to be
 supplied.

* Formerly Enoree.

Montgomery—*Absalom Brown*, Bartlett Thomason

Rocky River—*Josiah Freeman*.

Sugar Creek—*John Watts*.

Charlotte—*James J. Alison*.

Lincoln—*Elisha Calloway*, George W. Huggins.

York—*James J. Richardson*.

Rutherford—*Wm. J. Jackson*, Allen Hamby, sup.

Morganton—Leonard Rush.

Yadkin—*David Derrick*.

King's Mountain Mission—*Daniel G. M' Daniel*.

Noah Laney is transferred to the Georgia Confer-
 ence. *William H. Ellison* is transferred to the Ala-
 bama Conference, and appointed Professor of Mathe-
 matics in La Grange College.

Ques. 15. Where and when shall our next Conference be held?
 At Charleston, February 5, 1834.



RESOLUTIONS

Ordered to be printed with the Minutes of Conference.

PRAYER FOR MORE LABORERS.

Whereas the fields of labor for preaching the Gos-
 pel of Christ, both in the Circuits and Missions of this
 Conference, are greatly increasing, and particularly
 among the colored population, insomuch that the calls
 among the people for the Word of Life cannot, in many
 instances, be answered, for the want of preachers; and
 whereas the great Head of the Church has required
 his people, by express precept, to "*pray the Lord of
 the harvest that he would send forth laborers into
 his harvest;*" therefore,

Resolved, 1st. That we will be more than ever im-
 portunate in this prayer, and engage the brethren in
 all our stations, circuits and missions, as fully as we
 can, to cry to God with us, that it may please him "*to
 send forth more laborers into his harvest.*"

Resolved, 2d. That the first Fridays in April and September be set apart as days of solemn fasting and prayer in all the churches within our Conference limits; and that on those days, especially, while we humble ourselves before God for all our sinfulness and unworthiness in his sight, we will earnestly pray, and engage the brethren to pray, for more laborers.

USE OF THE LORD'S PRAYER.

Resolved, That we recommend a more frequent use of the Lord's Prayer in family worship, particularly in the morning. And whereas there are some who inconsiderately mutilate this form of holy words, we advise such to correct themselves, as follows, to wit:

"Our Father which [or *who*] art in Heaven, hallowed be thy name, thy kingdom come, thy will be done in earth as it is in Heaven; Give us this day our daily bread, and forgive us our trespasses as we forgive them that trespass against us, and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil; for thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, for ever and ever. Amen."

RESPECTING THE TIME WHEN THE ANNIVERSARIES OF THE BIBLE, MISSIONARY, TRACT AND SUNDAY SCHOOL SOCIETIES SHOULD BE HELD.

Whereas by an act of the last General Conference it has been required of the Annual Conferences to exhibit in their minutes, "*What has been contributed for the support of Missions, and what for the publication of Bibles, Tracts and Sunday School books;*" and by the same authority it has been made the duty of those preachers who are put in charge of circuits or stations, each, "*to lay before his Quarterly Conference at its last session, annually, to be entered in its journal, a written statement of the number and state of the Sunday Schools in his circuit or sta-*

tion; and to report the same, together with the amount raised for the support of Missions, and the amount for the publication of Bibles, Tracts and Sunday School books, to his Annual Conference." Therefore to facilitate the same,

Resolved, That we recommend to each one of the Missionary Societies, and the Bible, Tract, and Sunday School Societies, in the several circuits and stations, to hold their anniversaries at, or a short time previous to, the fourth Quarterly Meeting of the circuits or stations respectively.

FOR SUPPORTING BIBLE, TRACT, AND SUNDAY SCHOOL SOCIETIES, AND THE PUBLISHING FUND.

Whereas the circulation of popular essays, neatly prepared and adapted to the capacities of children and the unlearned, is a grand means of promoting any cause, and has been happily and successfully applied to the spreading of Christian doctrine, both by our own church and others; and whereas it appears to us that the supply of such essays in the form of tracts and Sunday school books, falls short of the demand for them: and whereas it farther appears that the very low rates at which such tracts and books have been furnished by the American Tract Society and Sunday School Union, supported as these institutions are by large and numerous collections and donations, puts it out of the power of our Book Concern, with its limited means, to furnish tracts and books at so low a rate, to the extent that is required—Therefore,

Resolved, 1st. That we recommend to the Bible, Tract, and Sunday School Societies within the bounds of this Conference District, so to modify their Constitutions as to contribute to the Publishing Fund some part, not exceeding one third, of the monies raised by them.

Resolved, 2d. That we will use our best endeavours to form Bible, Tract, and Sunday School Societies, on

the plan of the preceding resolution: and that where it is not judged expedient to raise separate Societies for these several objects, we will recommend the formation of such a Society as shall embrace them all together.

Resolved, 3d. That we will exert ourselves to increase the Publishing Fund, by recommending it to the liberality of our brethren and friends generally, as being a most important interest, and one which for Zion's sake they should gladly serve.

RESPECTING RANDOLPH MACON COLLEGE.

Resolved, 1st. That the establishment of a well endowed College, purely literary and scientific, in a desirable place in the Southern Atlantic States, and under the direction and control of a Faculty and Board of Trustees consisting, and perpetually to consist, of the members and friends of our church, is an object of the first importance, vitally interesting to our Zion, and deserving of the best wishes and assistance of all our friends.

Resolved, 2d. That the Randolph Macon College, of Mecklenburg, Virginia, instituted under an ample charter from the State, by the Virginia Conference, and now opened under the auspices of that Conference, possesses every reasonable prospect of soon becoming, in all respects, what the friends of religion and literature, and those of our own church in particular, could desire: and is entitled to, and ought to receive, the preference and patronage of this Conference.

Resolved, 3d. That we do earnestly recommend the Randolph Macon College, to all our brethren and friends of the South-Carolina Conference District, and will cordially receive an Agent, and second his efforts, when such a one shall be sent to solicit pecuniary aid for the College

IN ORDER TO THE INSTITUTION OF A GRAMMAR SCHOOL.

Resolved, That a Committee of five be appointed to inquire after the most eligible site within the limits of this Conference District, for a School, or an Academy, under the direction of the Conference, where children and youth may be advantageously prepared to enter the Randolph Macon, or any other College; and that said Committee report at the next session of the Conference.

Under this resolution the five Presiding Elders, Henry Bass, Malcom M'Pherson, Wm. M. Kennedy, Nicholas Talley and Hartwell Spain, were appointed the Committee.



CONFERENCE INSTITUTIONS.

THE MISSIONARY SOCIETY OF THE S. C. CONFERENCE.

Auxiliary to the Missionary Society of the M. E. Church.

Officers and Managers.—William Capers, *President*: William M. Kennedy, *1st Vice-President*: Samuel Dunwody, *2d Vice-President*: William M. Wightman, *Secretary*: Joseph Holmes, *Treasurer*.

Managers—Henry Bass, Nicholas Talley, Hartwell Spain, Malcom M'Pherson, Bond English, Chas. Betts, James Jenkins, William Murrah and Joseph Moore.

The anniversary of this Society was celebrated in Immanuel Church, Lincolnton, N. C. on Friday, the 1st of February, inst. The service was introduced with singing and prayer by Bishop Andrew; after which, a sermon was preached by the President, from *Luke vi. 38.* The Report of the Board of Managers was then read by the Secretary, (by whom it had been prepared) and a collection was taken up, amounting to 50 dollars and 40 cents.

The following is the

REPORT.

The Board of Managers of the Conference Missionary Society beg leave respectfully to report:

The spirit of Christianity is a missionary spirit, and while the church of Christ is animated with proper zeal, and breathes a spirit of proper devotion to the cause of human salvation, missionary operations and missionary success, will always be invested with high importance. The proper management of this department in our general work, demands an annual review of labors—of discouragements or successes. And the Board of Managers, gratefully offering their praises to God, whose blessing has been upon the cause, and their acknowledgements to our friends and patrons, whose support and influence have sustained it, beg to present to the Society a brief outline of the state and circumstances of the work on the Missions under the control of the South-Carolina Conference.

These missions being confined to the colored population of the low country, stand confessedly in circumstances of delicacy and difficulty. Yet we cannot think of thousands of Negroes being left to perish in a darkness which we have the means of dispelling, and to wander along to an undone eternity, while we hold the word of life, which may guide their wandering steps to the cross of Christ, and ultimately up to heaven. Into this field of labor the providence of God has opened our way, and we have entered with wakeful anxieties, lest through carelessness or imprudence our labor should be in vain after all:—yet with a firm confidence in the Divine blessing, and a strong and sober conviction, that the impartation of religious knowledge to the minds of our colored population, together with the formation of religious principle, the cultivation of conscience through the medium of moral truth, and especially the instruction of the rising generation in their duty to God and their master, furnish us with our main safeguard for the future:—

wields a mighty influence over minds otherwise untaught and depraved—and is the appointed means of salvation to their souls.

Our missions are reported, generally, as being in flourishing circumstances. That to the blacks on Santee has struggled with some adverse influences, but still is in healthful operation, although exhibiting nothing specially marked in its moral features. The grown Negroes are favored with the regular ministrations of the Missionary, and the little Negroes receive constant catechetical instruction; and this we consider specially valuable. The Missionary reports the happy death of several of his charge: and in particular the touching circumstances attending the decease of one of the children embraced in his sphere of instructions, who, cheered with the light of Christian hope, and confident in the blessing and presence of Christ, died in triumphant anticipation of life everlasting in the kingdom of God.

We are rejoiced in reporting the condition and successes of the Mission South of Charleston. The labors of an additional Missionary have been employed in this department with great advantage. A widening field is open:—a field white unto the harvest. Voluntary testimonials from some gentlemen of highly respectable character and influence are before the Board. From eye witnesses of competent judgment, we are informed that a mighty and saving influence has been brought to bear upon hundreds of the Negroes. "We feel no ordinary gratification in being able to testify," says one of the communications, "each one of us for his servants, that the past year has presented perhaps unprecedented manifestations of God's goodness to his people." "The happy effects of the ministrations of the Missionaries upon our servants, our eyes see; and our ears are not unfrequently gratified by their expressions of gratitude for them." Another communication from a most respectable source, informs us, that since the preaching of the Missionaries, a marked change is

observable in the Negroes; the mask of hypocrisy is no longer used to cloak vicious character; the necessary discipline of the plantation is maintained through moral influence, without a resort to physical force, and the amount of actual crime has been abundantly lessened.

A considerable anxiety prevails in this section of the work that constant Sabbath ministrations be afforded to all the plantations, and that the number of Missionaries be increased. In the mission on Pon Pon, Beaufort, &c. there are reported 1058 colored members and upwards of 50 whites. Upwards of 200 adults have been baptised. Above 300 receive catechetical instruction, among the little Negroes: the whole forming about 20 classes.

On the Santee Mission there are 337 adults under our charge, and 190 children are under catechetical instruction.

We regret to state that our Missions, in common with the cause of benevolence and religion generally, have lost the services of a valuable friend and supporter, by the lamented death of Robert Means, Esq. of Beaufort District. We bow submissively, however, to the allotments of Divine Providence, feeling assured that God's blessing will still be on the work, however human instrumentality may fail.

Under so many important aspects does the work present itself, and so earnest is the desire to have more ground occupied, that the Board of Managers have felt themselves authorised in recommending to the Bishop the establishment of missionary stations on Cape Fear River, on Pee Dee and Black Rivers, on the east side of Wateree and Santee, and in the fork of the Congaree and Wateree Rivers; together with the appointment of another Missionary for the New and May River mission, one for a mission on Goose Creek, and two for the stations about Beaufort.

Thus at length, after a struggle with difficulty and discouragement, we hail the harbingers of enlarged

and final success. The reign of spiritual death over these vast fields has been broken. The darkness which had gathered upon them in thickening folds has been pierced by the beams of salvation's rising light. "Ethiopia stretches out her hands unto God" in adoring gratitude for the gift of the Gospel, and in token of a joyous anticipation of a HOME IN HEAVEN.

We beg to remark in closing, that although our missions to the blacks are the principal missions to which our attention is directed, yet as other ground is open to our occupancy in the upper limits of the Conference between the South Mountain and King's Mountain, we have also recommended to the Bishop, the appointment of a Missionary to this work for the present year; after which it is hoped it may be thrown into the regular form of a circuit, and support itself.

Commending this whole cause, so dear to the heart of the philanthropist and the Christian, to the protection and blessing of Almighty God, and earnestly soliciting in its behalf a continuance of the prayers and kindly interest and efforts of its friends and patrons, we beg respectfully to submit our Report.

THE TREASURER'S REPORT.

MONIES RECEIVED SINCE THE LAST ANNIVERSARY.

1832.			
Jan. 30.	This amount from the former Treasurer,	-	\$713 00
July 14.	Donation from Mr. William Rowell and family,		4 00
Aug. 24.	do from Rev. Elisha Calloway,	- -	10 00
1833.			
Jan. 30.	This amount from the Meth. Missionary Society of Charleston, by the Rev. William Capers,	-	145 00
Do.	from the Meth. Missionary Society of free people of color in Charleston, by the same,	-	81 68
Do.	from the Female Meth. Missionary Society of Mount Ariel, by the Rev. Malcom M'Pherson,		40 00
Do.	from the Meth. Missionary Society of Cypress Circuit, by Rev. Henry Bass,	- - -	78 37
Do.	from the Meth. Missionary Society of Saddler's Swamp (Orangeburg Ct.) by Rev. S. Dunwoody,		75 75
	Amount carried forward,	- - - -	\$1147 46

1333.	Amount brought forward,	- - - - -	1148	46
Jan. 30.	This amount from the Meth. Missionary Society of Black Swamp Circuit, by Rev. Bond English,	- - - - -	132	52
	Do. from the Meth. Missionary Society of Cooper River Circuit, by Rev. Henry Bass,	- - - - -	57	50
	Do. from the Meth. Missionary Society of Hollow Creek Circuit, by Rev. Joseph Moore,	- - - - -	14	75
	Do. from the Meth. Missionary Society of Darlington Circuit, by Rev. Allen M'Corquodale,	- - - - -	40	00
	Do. from the Meth. Missionary Society of Columbia, by Rev. William M. Kennedy,	- - - - -	17	25
	Do. from the Meth. Missionary Soc. of Sugar Creek Circuit, by Rev. James J. Richardson,	- - - - -	5	62
	Do. collected in Pee Dee Circuit, by Rev. William W. King,	- - - - -	12	00
	Do. collected in Enoree Circuit, by Rev. Morgan Turrentine,	- - - - -	31	50
	Do. collected at Chehaw Church,	- - - - -	8	18
	Do. contributed by Mr. Henry Stewart and other Gentlemen in the neighborhood of Beaufort—through Rev. G. W. Moore,	- - - - -	249	00
	Donation of Ladies Missionary Society of Beaufort, by Miss S. H. Means,	- - - - -	70	00
	Do. from C. C. Pinckney, Esq. thro' Rev. C. G. Hill,	- - - - -	40	00
	Do. from Wm. Aiken, Esq. by Rev. G. W. Moore,	- - - - -	160	00
	Do. from Charles Baring, Esq. by the same,	- - - - -	100	00
	Do. from several persons, by Rev. Benj. Bell,	- - - - -	2	00
	Do. from several persons on Saluda Circuit, by Rev. Joel W. Townsend,	- - - - -	2	93
	This amount collected at New Hope,	- - - - -	12	00
	Donation from Rev. William M. Wightman,	- - - - -	5	00
	Do. from Mrs. Stephen Elliott,	- - - - -	3	00
	Do. from Rev. Bond English,	- - - - -	1	00
	Do. from Mr. John Fulk,	- - - - -	2	00
	Do. from Mr. John Lawson,	- - - - -	10	00
	Do. from Miss C. G. De Rossette,	- - - - -	3	00
	Do. from "a Brother," by Rev. J. J. Richardson,	- - - - -	1	00
	Do. from "a Friend,"	- - - - -	1	00
	Do. from "a Friend," by Rev. H. Bass,	- - - - -	16	75
	Do. from the children of Rev. H. Spain,	- - - - -	0	25
	Life subscription of Rev. Hartwell Spain,	- - - - -	10	00
	Do. do. of Rev. Jacob Hill,	- - - - -	10	00
	This amount from Annual Subscribers,	- - - - -	80	00
Feb. 1.	Anniversary collection of this date,	- - - - -	60	40

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MONIES PAID AWAY.

1832.			
Jan. 31.	This amount paid to order of Rev. W. M. Kennedy, on last year's account of Missions on Savannah River,	- - - - -	\$ 50 00
	Do. paid to order of Rev. Bishop Hedding, in favor of Missions attached to Charleston District, for the current year.	- - - - -	
	Viz: For Rev. George W. Moore, Missionary South of Charleston, with a family,	- - - - -	281 45
	For Rev. John R. Coburn, Missionary South of Charleston,	- - - - -	50 00
	For Rev. Christian G. Hill, Missionary on Santee, with a family,	- - - - -	330 00
1833.			
Jan. 30.	This amount to Rev. G. W. Moore, contributed on his Mission during the year 1832,	- - - - -	394 94
	Do. to Rev. C. G. Hill, contributed by C. C. Pinckney, Esq.	- - - - -	40 00
	Do. to Rev. J. R. Coburn, contributed in his Mission during the year 1832,	- - - - -	55 00
	This amount for Treasurer's book,	- - - - -	50
	Loss by uncurrent bills,	- - - - -	2 11
			<u>\$1204 00</u>
	Balance to meet the cost of Missions for the year 1833,	- - - - -	1043 11
			<u>\$2247 11</u>

N. B. The monies in the Treasurer's hands at the close of Conference, are not a balance above the expenses of the proper year, but are the whole amount in the Society's possession for the support of the Missions for the year then commencing. Thus at the close of the last Conference (Jan. Feb. 1832,) the Society had but \$713 06 to meet the cost of the Missions for the year; which was, as stated above, \$1204. The receipts at the Conference of Jan. Feb. 1833, and which should otherwise have been wholly applied to the support of the Missions for the year 1833, were therefore used, in part, to make up the deficiency of 1832. The sum of 1043 dollars is consequently the whole amount of money in the Society's possession for the support of the Missions for 1833. The cost of Missions for this year, viz: North and South Santee, Pon Pon and Combabee, Islands about Beaufort, May and New Rivers, Wateree, below Camden, Neighborhood of Manchester, Cape Fear, above Wilmington, and King's Mountain, is estimated at 1800 dollars. Shall we always thus fall short? Or will not more general efforts be made by preachers and people, to bring up the receipts of the Society, in advance, to the amount called for.

CONSTITUTION.

ART. 1. This Society shall be denominated "The Missionary Society of the South-Carolina Conference, auxiliary to the Missionary Society of the Methodist Episcopal Church.

ART. 2. The object of this Society is to assist the several Annual Conferences, more effectually to extend their missionary labors throughout the United States and elsewhere.

ART. 3. The business of this Society shall be conducted by a President, two Vice-Presidents, a Recording and Corresponding Secretary, Treasurer, and nine Managers, who shall be annually elected by the Society; all of whom shall be members of the Methodist Episcopal Church.

ART. 4. At all meetings of the Board of Managers, it shall require five members to form a quorum.

ART. 5. The Board shall have authority to make by-laws for regulating its own proceedings; and shall annually submit a report of its transactions and funds to the Society; and inform the Conference of the state of its funds.

ART. 6. The funds of this Society, after deducting the necessary incidental expences, shall be transmitted to the Treasurer of the parent institution for the purposes expressed in the second article of this Constitution.

ART. 7. Each subscriber paying one dollar annually shall be a member of this Society; and the payment of ten dollars, shall constitute a member for life.

ART. 8. The annual meeting of this Society, shall be held sometime during the session of the Conference, at the discretion of the Board of Managers.

ART. 9. The President, Vice-President, Secretary, and Treasurer, shall be ex-officio members of the Board of Managers.

ART. 10. At all the meetings of the Society, the President, or in his absence, one of the Vice-Presidents, or in the absence of both Vice-Presidents, such member as shall be appointed by the meeting, shall preside.

ART. 11. The minutes of each meeting of the Society shall be signed by the President and the Recording Secretary.

ART. 12. The Constitution shall not be altered, but by a vote of two-thirds of the Annual Conference, at the recommendation of the Board of Managers.

BY-LAWS.

1. The Managers shall meet annually, at such place as may be appointed for the Annual Conference, on the day previous to its sitting.
2. At all meetings of the Board, the President, or in his absence the Vice-President, or President pro tem. shall take the chair at the hour appointed; shall preserve order and appoint committees, and shall also have authority to appoint extra meetings of the Board.
3. The Recording Secretary shall keep a correct journal of the minutes and proceedings of the Board, and attend all its sittings when

practicable, and in case of absence, transmit the records of the Board to the place of meeting.

4. It shall be the duty of the Corresponding Secretary to keep a correct copy of all his official letters and communications, and communicate immediately after each meeting of the Board with the Missionary Society of the Methodist Episcopal Church relative to the Society's funds, &c.; and also to communicate at least annually with each Presiding Elder of the South-Carolina Conference, on the subject of raising branch societies; and shall carefully file and preserve all communications to him, which shall be taken to the place of meeting, and be subject to the inspection of the Board.

5. It shall be the duty of the Treasurer to keep a book, in which the names of all the subscribers and donors shall be recorded; to keep a correct account of receipts and expenditures, and he shall submit the same for inspection at each meeting.

6. It shall be the duty of each member of the Board to solicit donations and subscriptions for the Society, and to make a return at the annual meeting of the Board; placing at the time of making such return, all the funds which may have been received, into the Treasurer's hands.

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TRUST,

FOR THE RELIEF OF THE SUPERANNUATED OR WORN-OUT
 PREACHERS, AND THE WIDOWS AND ORPHANS OF PREACH-
 ERS.

Board of Trustees.—Malcom McPherson, *Chairman*; William
 M. Wightman, *Secretary*; Robert Adams, *Treasurer*; and Charles
 Betts, Elisha Calloway, William Murrab, and David Derrick.

CONSTITUTION.

Preamble.—Whereas there is no certain provision made for the sup-
 port of the superannuated or worn-out preachers and their families or
 for the widows and orphans of preachers who have died in the work,
 beyond the annual allowance of \$150 to each superannuated preacher,
 or wife or widow of a preacher, and sixteen or twenty-four dollars,
 as the case may be, to each one of their children;—and this insufficient
 annuity is not usually made up to them;—the South-Carolina Confer-
 ence deems it proper to constitute within itself a Society for the pur-

pose, exclusively, of raising monies and applying them towards the re-
 lief of persons of the descriptions above mentioned, belonging to this
 Conference: *Provided*, That in all cases, the sums appropriated to an
 individual or family, shall not be more than so much, as, in addition to
 the sum or sums received by him, her, or them, from the Conference,
 shall raise his, her, or their whole allowance, to the amount of a fair
 average of the whole allowance of the members of the Conference,
 and their families, on the circuits and stations generally.

And in order to the accomplishment of these objects, the following
 regulations are adopted:

1. The Conference shall elect seven of its members, who, under
 the title of Trustees of the Superannuated Preacher's Fund, shall re-
 ceive the contributions of the preachers and other benevolent persons
 aiding this interest; and shall have the management of all monies and
 other effects, given or bequeathed to the Conference for the relief of
 such persons as are herein contemplated: *Provided*, That no super-
 annuated preacher shall be a Trustee; and that as often as there shall
 be a vacancy in the Board, by death or otherwise, the Conference
 shall fill such vacancy by election, as at first.

2. The Board of Trustees shall have regular meetings, either on a
 day shortly previous to the session of the Conference, or early in the session;
 and shall report to Conference fully every year, the amount of money,
 or other means, in its possession; how such monies shall have been
 vested, and on what security; and what appropriations, agreeably to
 the purport of this trust, shall have been made.

3. A part of all monies given to this trust, (not forbidden by the
 giver,) and a part of the interest of all monies at interest, shall be
 annually divided among the superannuated or worn-out preachers and
 their families, and the widows and orphans of deceased preachers.
 But the whole amount, either of monies contributed, or of the annual
 interest of the trust, shall not be so divided and applied, unless in the
 judgment of the Conference, expressed by vote, the capital of the trust
 shall have been increased to a sufficient amount to secure to the persons
 intended to be served, an allowance equal to that of the efficient mem-
 bers of the Conference generally, and their wives and children. Be-
 yond which amount, the Conference is pledged not to suffer it to be
 increased.



THE SOCIETY OF THE SOUTH-CAROLINA CONFERENCE FOR
 THE RELIEF OF THE CHILDREN OF ITS MEMBERS.

Officers and Managers.—William M. Kennedy, *President*;
 William Capers, *Vice-President*; Charles Betts, *Treasurer*; Wil-
 liam M. Wightman, *Sec'y*, and Samuel Danwody, Nicholas Talley,
 Henry Bass, Hartwell Spain, and Elisha Calloway, *Managers*.

CONSTITUTION.

Preamble.—The sole objects of the institution of this Society, the
 designation of which shall be, "The Society of the South-Caro-

lina Conference for the relief of the children of its members," are the education, and comfortable subsistence of the children of living or deceased ministers of the South-Carolina Conference of the Methodist Episcopal Church.—Which objects the Society hopes to accomplish, to some considerable extent, not only by the yearly or life subscriptions of its members, but also, by the contributions of pious friends; there being provided in this Society, as we trust, a suitable medium for the communication of their charities.

And for the preservation, inviolate, of the design of the Society, and the exact appropriation of all its means, in conformity to this design as above expressed, the good faith of the members of the Society and its Board of Managers stands solemnly pledged, by their individually signing this instrument, with the Articles following:

ART. 1. There shall be an annual meeting of the Society, coincident with the meeting of the Conference, and on a day not later than the fourth after its commencement (the particular day to be fixed previously, and made known by the Board of Managers.) At which annual meeting, the Board shall present a minute account of its transactions; and especially, the receipts and expenditures of the past year.

ART. 2. The Board of Managers shall consist of the President, Vice-President, Secretary, Treasurer, and not fewer than three, nor more than seven other members of the Society, to be elected at each annual meeting. Which Board shall be entrusted with the entire management of the affairs of the Society during its recess, and be charged with making such regulations, subject to inspection and amendment by the Society, as shall secure the faithful performance of the duties and trusts of its officers—particularly the Treasurer.

ART. 3. Two-thirds of the yearly interest of the funds of the Society, and a part of all donations or legacies in money, at the discretion of the Board of Managers, shall be applied to the immediate relief of such children as shall be selected by the Board—except as provided in the 5th Article.

ART. 4. Any person subscribing to the Preamble and Articles forming this instrument (which is intended, and received, as the Constitution of the Society.) and paying two dollars yearly, or twenty dollars at one time, shall be a member of the Society.

ART. 5. Any person making a donation or bequest to this Society, with the intention of benefiting some particular child or children of the description it proposes to serve, and designating such child or children, shall have the amount of such donation or bequest, strictly appropriated to such child or children only.

ART. 6. These Articles shall not be liable to alteration or change, unless on the recommendation of the Board of Managers at an annual meeting of the Society, and by a vote of two-thirds of the members composing such meeting.

BY-LAWS.

1. The President of the Society (or in his absence, the Vice-President.) when present in the Board, shall act as *its* President. And in

like manner, the Secretary of the Society, shall be ex-officio Secretary of the Board of Managers.

2. The Treasurer shall have the care of all monies, papers, or other available effects of the Society; shall be the organ of the Board in putting out the monies of the Society on interest, and collecting the same; and shall keep a regular account, in a book provided for that purpose, of all contracts, receipts, and expenditures of the Board.

3. The Board of Managers may meet at any time during the recess of the Conference, either at the call of the President, or by previous adjournment; but the annual meeting of the Board, preparatory to the annual meeting of the Society, shall be on the evening of the first day of the session of Conference, and at the place of its session.

4. The Board shall make an annual exhibit, both to the Society, and to the Conference, of the full amount of its funds; in what they are invested, and on what securities; and of the amount of interest, and of donations or legacies, obtained during the year.



FUND OF SPECIAL RELIEF.

Trustees.—William Capers, *Chairman*; William M. Kennedy, *Treasurer*; Nicholas Talley, *Secretary*; Samuel Dunwoody, Henry Bass, Bond English and Josiah Freeman.

CONSTITUTION.

Preamble.—Whereas there are a number of widows and orphans, both of itinerant and local ministers, in very indigent circumstances; and among both these classes of ministers, there do often occur cases of pressing pecuniary need; and whereas there has been no provision made by the General Conference for the relief of such cases; now therefore, it has seemed advisable to the South-Carolina Conference, with the advice of the venerable Bishop Asbury, to institute, and it does hereby institute, a Trust, for that special purpose, under the regulations following, to wit:

1. The Conference shall elect seven of its members for this Trust, who shall be designated by the title of the Board of Trustees of the Fund of Special Relief. And as often as there shall occur a vacancy in the Board, by death, resignation, or otherwise, such vacancy shall be filled by the Conference; so as to keep up the number of seven trustees perpetually.

2. The Board of Trustees shall have authority to receive contributions of any kind for this trust; and to invest under full security, on interest, whatever they receive.

3. The Board shall not appropriate any thing from this fund, till it shall have amounted to a sum yielding an interest of one hundred dollars or more, annually. It shall then be its duty to call for information, in the Conference, yearly, concerning the most necessitous widows and orphans of either travelling or local preachers within the Conference district; and such preachers, of either class, as shall have fallen into circumstances calling specially for relief—as by sickness, loss

of crops, burning of houses, distress by debt, and such like. And according to the interest of the fund, excepting two per centum, to increase the capital, such cases shall be relieved. The Board may also extend relief to needy parents of preachers; and on the recommendation of a Bishop, may make a donation to the necessitous of other Conferences: *Provided*, nevertheless, that no appropriation, or gift, by the Board, shall be made without the consent of the Annual Conference.

4. The Board of Trustees, shall report to the Conference, from year to year, the amounts received for this fund, the amount of the interest it affords, the amount appropriated, and the persons to whom appropriations shall have been made, and on what accounts they each have been assisted; all which shall be published under its direction.

Please lend this Pamphlet to your neighbors, after reading it attentively yourself.