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MINUTES

of the

South Carolina Annual
Conference

of the

Methodist Episcopal
Church

1843

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OF THE

1842
57th Session
SOUTH-CAROLINA CONFERENCE

OF THE

Held at Charleston Feb 5, 1843
METHODIST EPISCOPAL CHURCH,

58th Session
FOR THE YEAR

1843.
1842

TO WHICH ARE ADDED THE

REPORTS OF THE MISSIONARY SOCIETY, &c.;

PUBLISHED BY ORDER OF THE CONFERENCE.

CHARLESTON:

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1843.

MINUTES, &c.

1. *Who have been admitted on trial?*

James E. Davis, W. H. Conner, Henry A. Bass, Joseph Parker, Newton Goudelock, John W. Vandiver, and Daniel Boyd.—7.

2. *Who remain on trial?*

N. Bird, W. H. Brunson, W. H. Smith, Wm. Carson, Manasseh, Michau, and James F. Smith.—6.

3. *Who are received into full connexion?*

Claudius H. Pritchard, Daniel D. Cox, Samuel M. Green, Stafford P. Taylor, Wm. H. Flemming, John A. Porter, Dennis J. Simmons, Solomon W. Daves, and Albert M. Shipp.—9.

4. *Who are the Deacons?*

Michael Robins,* Allen Huckabee,* Williamson Smith,* Lewis Little,* C. H. Pritchard, D. D. Cox, S. M. Green, Stafford P. Taylor, W. H. Flemming, John A. Porter, D. J. Simmons, S. W. Daves, and A. M. Shipp.

5. *Who have been elected and ordained Elders?*

Lark O'Neal, Zephaniah W. Barnes, Abel M. Chreitzberg, Jacob Nipper, Wesley L. Pegues, Martin Eady, Alfred Richardson, and Wm. A. McSwain.—8.

6. *Who have been located this year?*

William Martin, W. M. D. Moore, and K. Murchison.

7. *Who are the supernumerary preachers this year?*

Wm. M. Kerr.

8. *Who are the superannuated or worn out Preachers?*

Joseph Moore, James Jenkins, James Dannelly, John N. Davis, James L. Belin, David Hilliard, Campbell Smith, and B. Hamilton. (Jas. Jenkins and B. Hamilton relinquish their disciplinary claim.)

9. *Who have been expelled this year?*

None.

10. *Who have withdrawn?*

None.

11. *Were all the preachers' characters examined?*

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

12. *Who have died this year?*

None.

NOTE.—Those marked thus, (*) were ordained Deacons last year.

13. What numbers are in Society?

CIRCUITS AND STATIONS.	Local Elders.				Local Deacons.	Local Elders.				Local Deacons.
	Local Elders.	Local Deacons.	Whites.	Colored.		Local Elders.	Local Deacons.	Whites.	Colored.	
Charleston District.										
Charleston,.....	1	2	1	460	3728	2	1	202	633	
Charleston Neck,.....				105	63	2	1	193	339	
Black Swamp,.....	2	1	2	404	568	1	2	702	628	
Walterboro',.....	1	1	2	642	534	2	4	702	375	
Barwell,.....	1	1		300	160	1	2	703	813	
Orangeburg,.....	1	3	2	769	1021	2	3	740	1115	
Cypress,.....	2	3	1218	1189	325	8	4	1071	727	
Cooper River,.....	2	1	210	3	640			18	842	
Beaufort & Pocolaligo.					874			5	504	
Combahee & Ashopoo.					547				175	
Pon Pon,.....					118			42	324	
South Santee,.....				6	528					
North Santee,.....				16	700					
Cooper River,.....										
	10	9	11	4133	10995	17	9	214	4513	7364
Cokesbury District.										
Cokesbury,.....	4	6	2	940	876	2	5	4	910	449
Edgefield,.....		3		696	638	4	5	6	727	221
Pendleton,.....	2	4	2	875	200	1	1	1	822	265
Greenville Station,.....		1		68	161	1	2	3	553	92
Greenville Circuit,.....	2	1	5	843	118	1	1	6	594	125
Union,.....	2	4	2	1542	1359	1	1	203	128	
Laurens,.....	1	3	2	706	507			2	470	221
Newberry,.....	1	1	3	642	998					
Aiken,.....	1		2	379	193					
	13	22	19	6691	4950	10	14	25	5143	1964
Columbia District.										
Columbia,.....	1	3	1	195	439	5	2	2	945	516
Columbia Circuit,.....	1	3	1	381	550		1		971	416
Winnsboro',.....	4	1	2	765	775	2	1	1	673	260
Lancaster,.....	2	1		402	413	1	4	803	161	
Camden,.....	2	1		77	315	2	2	1013	123	
Darlington Station,.....				57	150		5		592	92
Santee,.....	4	2	8	1035	2247		1		405	75
Darlington Circuit,.....	1	1	12	672	356					
Waterloo Mission,.....				11	725					
Pee Dee,.....					142					
	15	7	26	3595	6103	10	9	11	4133	10995
Lincolnton District.										
Charlotte,.....					69				111	
Charlotte Circuit,.....					945				516	
Lincolnton,.....					971				416	
York,.....					341				179	
Spartanburg,.....					673				260	
Rutherfordton,.....					803				161	
Shelby,.....					1013				123	
Morganton,.....					592				92	
Lenoir,.....					405				75	
	9	9	10	5812	1964					
Recapitulation.										
Charleston District,.....	10	9	11	4133	10995					
Cokesbury,.....	13	22	19	6691	4950					
Columbia,.....	15	7	26	3595	6103					
Wilmington,.....	17	9	21	4513	7364					
Cheraw,.....	10	14	25	5143	1964					
Lincolnton,.....	9	9	10	5812	1964					
Total this year,.....	74	70	112	29687	33900					
Total last year,.....	63	67	110	27491	30360					
Increase this year,.....	11	3	2	2396	2340					

14. What amount is necessary to make up the allowances of the superannuated Preachers, and the Widows and Orphans of Preachers; and to supply the deficiencies of those Preachers whose claims have not been met in their Circuit?

The amount necessary to meet those claims is \$3780 13.

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

The amount received is \$1,455 94—It has been appropriated as follows:

To Rev. John Tarrant, - \$	2 83	Rev. W. M. Kennedy	100 45
“ W. T. Harrison, -	10 60	“ Angus McPherson,	75 75
“ Joseph Moore, -	51 25	“ John Bunch, -	63 55
“ James Dannelly, -	155 80	“ John G. Postell, -	67 65
“ W. M. D. Moore, -	110 60	“ B. Thomason, -	50 45
“ J. N. Davis, -	102 50	Children of Rev. J. Freeman,	12 30
“ J. L. Belin, -	102 50	“ “J.J. Richardson,	12 30
“ David Hilliard, -	127 10	Mrs. Brown, -	25 62
Widow of Rev. Isaac Smith,	25 62	Bishop Roberts, -	9 88
“ “ Daniel Asbury, -	51 25	Bishop Soule, -	9 88
“ “ T. D. Tarpin, -	71 75	Bishop Hedding, -	9 88
“ “ John Gamewell, -	51 25	Bishop Andrew, -	9 05
“ “ Asbury Morgan, -	63 55	Bishop Waugh, -	11 34
Widow and Orphans of		Bishop Morris, -	7 04
Rev. C. G. Hill, -	51 25		

Balance to defray contingent expenses of Conference.

16. What report have we from our Sunday Schools?

CIRCUITS AND STATIONS.	Am't collect'd for Missions.	Am't collect'd for S. School Books.	No. Scholars.	No. Super's.	No. Teachers.	No. of Children.	No. vols. in Library.	No. Bib. dist.	No. Test. dis.	Pgs. Tracts distributed.	No. bib. cl's
Charleston District.											
Charleston, - - -	\$927 50	75 00	3	6	44	335	500				
Charleston Neck, -	31 79	11 28	2	3	12	170	40				
Black Swamp, - -	456 50		4	4	13	66	250				
Walterboro', - -	231 60		8	8	30	142	800				
Barwell, - - -	60 00		3	3	8	75					
Orangeburg, - -	506 25		7	5	33	124	261				
Cypress, - - -	699 74	2 00	4	4	13	81	195				
Cooper River, - -	35 00		2	2	5	35					
Beauf't & Pocolaligo	458 50										
Combahee & Ashopoo	382 06										
Pon Pon, - - -	400 00										
South Santee, - -	5 00										
North Santee, - -	170 00										
Cooper River, - -	24 00										
	4387 94	88 28	33	35	158	1028	2046			15000	1
Cokesbury District.											
Cokesbury, - - -	1652 92	35 00	8	10	47	326	500				
Edgefield, - - -	99 75		3		3	48					
Pendleton, - - -	43 23	12 00	4	4	14	135	260				
Greenville Station, -	17 00	18 50	1	2	12	50	250				
Greenville Circuit, -	29 00		8	8	29	170	480				
Union, - - -	199 00	33 00	6	6	27	230	1100	50	30		
Laurens, - - -	121 00	3 00	10	11	35	211	300	2	20		
Carried forward,	2161 90	101 50	40	41	177	1170	2390	52	50	6000	

CIRCUITS AND STATIONS.	Am't collec'd for Missions.	Am't collec'd for S. School Books.	No. Schools.	No. Super's.	No. Teachers.	No. of Chh. dren.	No. vols. in Library.	No. Bib. dist.	No. Test. dis.	Pgs. Tracts distributed.	No. bib. cls's.
Brought forward,	\$2161 90	101 50	40 41	177	1179	2390	52	50	6000		
Newberry, - - -	192 00	6 6	6 26	145	695	8	4	2000			
Aiken, - - -	16 25	17 00	3								
<i>Columbia District.</i>	2370 15	118 50	49 47	193	1315	3585	60	54	8000		
Columbia, - - -	402 73	22 00	1 1	21	119	300					
Columbia Circuit,	91 05		3 3	12	65						
Winnsboro', - -	133 12		6 6	16	101				1500		
Lancaster, - - -	32 82	4 00	3 3	13	69		2				
Camden, - - -	212 31	22 00	1 1	7	33	300	4	10	300		
Darlington Station,	160 65		1 1	5	30	200					
Darlington Circuit,	25 00		1 1	4	32		48	36			
Santee, - - -	448 54	18 00	16 23	87	343		6	12	1000		
Wateree Mission, -	233 00										
Pee Dee, " - -	83 00										
<i>Wilmington District.</i>	1722 22	66 00	32 38	165	792	800	60	58	28000		
Wilmington, - -	218 24	20 50	1 2	13	102	317			5000		
Smithville, - - -	23 00	5 00	8 8	45	292	465					
Conwayboro', - -	12 46		4 5	16	104						
Bladen, - - -	34 00	25 00	5 5	22	148				450		
Black River, - - -	70 00		4 4	13	105						
Georgetown, - - -	167 31		1 1	6	50						
Fayetteville, - -	58 30	10 00	1 2	16	124	230					
Marion, - - -	78 00	6 00	7 7	25	200	400	2	3	1000		
Blk R. & P. D. Miss.	249 50										
Waccamaw Neck, "	377 00										
Sampit, - - -	300 00										
Cape Fear, - - -	123 50										
<i>Cheraw District.</i>	1711 31	66 50	31 34	156	1125	1412	2	3	6450		
Cheraw, - - -	107 70	19 00	1 1	9	40	300	2	6	4000		
Rockingham, - -	174 18		4 6	16	120				6500		
Chesterfield, - -	73 23		1 1	2	60	150	7	8	12500		
Wadesboro', - -	306 00	33 87	12 16	52	393		13	36			9
Centre, - - -	96 97		13 13	55	291				3000		
Montgomery, - -	81 47		10 11	32	258	200	12		1000		
Deep River, - - -	60 75	19 00	10 10	39	260		2	25	1500		
Cumberland, - - -	23 25		4 4	21	184	60			1000		
Pleasant Grove, -	139 20		7 8	30	175	257	6		4000		
<i>Lincolnton District.</i>	1062 75	71 87	62 70	256	1721	297	36	51	33500		9
Charlotte, - - -	66 85	10 00	1 1	12	69	200		1	2550		
Charlotte Circuit, -	106 41	52 36	11 12	55	404				7500		

CIRCUITS AND STATIONS.	Am't collec'd for Missions.	Am't collec'd for S. School Books.	No. Schools.	No. Super's.	No. Teachers.	No. of Chh. dren.	No. vols. in Library.	No. Bib. dist.	No. Test. dis.	Pgs. Tracts distributed.	No. bib. cls's.
Brought forward,	\$173 26	62 36	12 13	67	473	200		1	10350		
Lincolnton, - - -	84 10	13 25	6 6	24	170				5000		
York, - - -	30 23		1 1	5	35	230					
Spartanburg, - -	84 85	8 89	6 7	20	165	500	15	10	2000		
Rutherfordton, - -	36 29		2 2	9	57	40	9	1	1000		
Shelby, - - -	21 00		6 6	21	151						
Morganton, - - -	3 75		3 3	10	75						
Lenoir, - - -	5 00		3 0	8	60				500		
	\$433 48	84 50	39 38	164	1186	970	24	12	18850		

RECAPITULATION.

<i>Charleston District</i>	4387.94	88.28	33	35	158	1628	2046			15000	1
<i>Cokesbury District</i>	2370.15	118.50	49	47	193	1315	3585	60	54	8000	
<i>Columbia District</i>	1722.22	66.00	32	38	165	792	800	60	58	28000	
<i>Wilmington District</i>	1711.31	66.50	31	34	156	1125	1412	2	3	6450	
<i>Cheraw District</i>	1062.75	71.87	62	70	256	1721	297	36	51	33500	
<i>Lincolnton District</i>	433.48	84.50	39	38	164	1186	970	24	12	18850	
Total,	11642.85	495.65	246	252	1092	7167	9810	182	208	54600	10

Number of pupils in Bible Classes, Black Swamp, Charleston District, 10; Wadesboro', Cheraw District, 99; Total, 109. Amount collected for Bible Society, Wilmington, Wilmington District, \$30.00.

NOTE.—Many of the Ministers paid considerable sums from their charges respectively, to the Bible Society in the State in the bounds of which they labored; and, therefore, did not report the amounts for publication in this place. Hence the small amount reported here.

17. Where are the Preachers stationed?

CHARLESTON DISTRICT.—R. J. Boyd, P. E. *Charleston*, Wm. Capers, Missionary Secretary, W. M. Wightman, Editor of the Southern Christian Advocate. *Trinity*, James Stacy; *Bethel*, H. Bass; *Cumberland*, W. C. Kirkland; *St. James*, J. Nipper. *Black Swamp*—J. H. Wheeler, W. G. Conner. *Walterboro'*,—C. Murchison, H. A. Bass. *Orangeburg*—D. G. McDaniel, D. J. Simmons. *Cypress*—J. W. Welborn, L. M. Little. *Cooper River*—L. Scarborough. *Missions*, *Beaufort*—T. E. Leadbetter, A. M. Chritzburg. *Pocotaligo*—A. J. Green. *Combahee and Ashpood*—J. R. Coburn, W. H. Smith. *North Santee*—Samuel Leard, S. M. Green. *Cooper River*—A. Nettles. *Savannah River*—M. Robins, D. D. Cox.

COKEBURY DISTRICT.—N. Talley, P. E. *Cokesbury*—W. Crook, W. H. Brunson. *Edgefield*—S. Dunwoody, W. H. Flemming. *Pendleton*—D. W. Seal, J. E. Davis. *Greenville Station*—H. M. Mood. *Greenville Circuit*—J. McMackin, W. M. Kerr, Sup. *Union*—A. McCorquodale, W. T. Harrison. *Laurens*—G. W. Moore. *Newberry*—J. H. Zimmerman, D. Boyd. *Aiken*

and Hamburg—R. J. Limehouse. *Barnwell*—J. H. Chandler, M. Eady.

COLUMBIA DISTRICT.—Charles Betts, P. E. *Columbia*, S. W. Capers. *Columbia Circuit*—W. Haltom. *Winnsboro'*, John Watts, J. A. Porter. *Lancaster*—J. R. Pickett. *Camden*—C. H. Pritchard. *Darlington Station*—J. W. Wightman. *Darlington Circuit*—J. W. Townsend. *Santee*—H. Spain, A. M. Shipp. MISSIONS. *Wateree*—W. J. Jackson, Williamson Smith, *Pee Dee*—W. L. Pegues. *Congaree*—Samuel Townsend. *Manchester*—To be supplied.

WILMINGTON DISTRICT.—H. A. C. Walker, P. E. *Wilmington* W. Smith. *Smithville*—C. S. Walker. *Conwayboro'*,—W. C. Clark, J. F. Smith. *Bladen*—J. M. McPherson, Newton Goudelock. *Georgetown*—T. Huggins. *Fayetteville*—Bond English. *Marion*—A. M. Forster, A. W. Walker. MISSIONS. *Black River and Pee Dee*—T. S. Daniel, L. O'Neal. *Waccamaw Neck*—John A. Minnick, S. P. Taylor. *Sampit*—P. A. M. Williams. *Cape Fear*—M. C. Turrentine.

CHERAW DISTRICT.—D. Dirrick, P. E. *Cheraw*—C. A. Crowell. *Rockingham*—J. B. Anthony, J. W. Vandiver. *Chesterfield*—Abel Toyle. *Wadesboro'*—H. H. Durant, J. Tarrant. *Centre*—S. Jones, A. Huckabee, S. W. Daves. *Montgomery*—J. M. Bradley, Joseph Parker. *Deep River*—A. H. Richardson. *Cumberland*—C. McLeod. *Pleasant Grove*—W. A. McSwain.

LINCOLN DISTRICT.—W. A. Gamewell, P. E. *Charlotte Station*—W. P. Mouson. *Charlotte Circuit*—I. L. Potter. *Lincolnton*—A. B. McGilvray, one to be supplied. *York*—P. G. Bowman. *Spartanburg*—Z. W. Barnes, W. Michau. *Rutherfordton*—M. A. McKibben, J. C. McDaniel. *Shelby*—W. C. Patterson. *Morganton*—G. R. Talley. *Lenoir*—H. E. Ogburn.

Joseph P. Kirtan, left without an appointment.

John R. Lock, transferred to Alabama Conference, and stationed on Russell Circuit.

18. *Where shall our next Conference be held?*

At Georgetown, So. Ca., February 7th, 1844.

FAST DAYS.

The first Fridays in May and September, are set apart as days of fasting and prayer, throughout the bounds of this Conference.

THE COURSE OF STUDY, &c.

"FOR THE FIRST YEAR.—The Holy Bible and Book of Discipline. In consulting the Bible, the candidate must consult Watson's Biblical and Theological Dictionary, so as to be able to give a good account of the history of the Bible and its versions, of peculiar Biblical terms, and also of Biblical Biography, Chronology and Geography; the last named to be studied with special and constant reference to the maps in Watson's Dictionary. As far as opportunity may serve, the marginal translations and references

must also be examined and compared; and Coke's, Benson's, or Clarke's Commentary, be consulted when practicable, especially on difficult passages, and Wesley's Notes throughout. Dr. A. Clarke's *Clavis Biblica*, may aid both the student and the examiner.

"FOR THE SECOND YEAR.—The Holy Bible and the Discipline, as before; Wesley's Sermons, especially those of a doctrinal character; Fletcher's Portrait of St. Paul; Porteus' Evidences of Christianity; and Watson's Apology for the Bible, (the editions from our own press); and any approved English Grammar.

"FOR THE THIRD YEAR.—The Holy Bible and the Discipline as before; and Watson's Theological Institutes, to be first read through, and closely studied a second time, throughout, so as to be prepared to pass through a satisfactory examination on the Evidences, the Doctrines, the Morals, and the Institutions of Christianity.

"FOR THE FOURTH YEAR.—A summary review of the preceding studies, with the Defence of our Fathers, and the Original Organization of the Methodist Episcopal Church; Watson's Biblical and Theological Dictionary, under the appropriate heads, for a condensed view of ecclesiastical history, and of the various Christian denominations; together with the constitutions and latest reports of the Bible, Missionary, Sunday School and Tract Societies; and any work from our own press, on the best mode of forming and conducting Sunday Schools and Bible Classes.

The Committee for examination of candidates for admission into full connection in this Conference, shall always be appointed at the Conference preceding the examination, and shall meet at the place of the next session, at 9 o'clock, A. M., two days previous to the session, of which due notice shall be given to the candidate, whose duty it shall be to attend accordingly.

No candidate neglecting to attend, as aforesaid, without good and sufficient reason in the judgment of the Conference, shall be admitted into full connection at that session.

The Committee shall consist of a number not less than the number of Districts within the Conference; and not less than one-third thereof, shall be such as have not served on the same Committee for the year preceding.

The work of examination shall be sub-divided among the members of the Committee at the Conference preceding; and it shall be the duty of each member to attend and take part accordingly; but in case any one be unavoidably prevented, he shall give the earliest notice in his power to the Chairman of the Committee, who shall therefore either appoint a substitute to perform that part of the examination, or perform it himself.

The Committees of examination for each year, and the work of sub-division, as provided for in the fourth resolution above, shall be published annually in connection with the Minutes.

COMMITTEES OF EXAMINATION.

The following are the Committees of Examination for the ensuing year:

FIRST YEAR.—Bible, Henry Bass. Biblical Biography and Chronology, W. C. Kirkland. Discipline, W. J. Jackson. Wesley's Notes, A. W. Walker. H. Bass, Chairman.

SECOND YEAR.—Bible, J. M. Bradley. Discipline, J. Watts. Wesley's Sermons, P. A. M. Williams. Portrait of St. Paul, J. A. Minnick. Porteus' Evidences and Watson's Apology, C. A. Crowell. English Grammar, W. Crook. W. Crook, Chairman.

THIRD YEAR.—Bible, A. M. Forster. Discipline, J. W. Wellborn. Watson's Institutes, part 1st, S. W. Capers, 2d, C. Wilson, 3d, H. H. Durant, 4th, S. Dunwoody, A. M. Foster, Chairman.

FOURTH YEAR.—Summary Review of Watson's Institutes, Whitefoord Smith. Defence of our Fathers, W. A. Gamewell. Views of Church History and Christian Denominations, R. J. Litchouse. W. Smith, Chairman.

Samuel W. Capers, to preach the Sermon before the preachers.

CONFERENCE INSTITUTIONS.

THE MISSIONARY SOCIETY OF THE SOUTH-CAROLINA CONFERENCE AUXILIARY TO THE MISSIONARY SOCIETY OF THE M. E. CHURCH.

Officers and Managers.—W. Capers, President; S. Dunwoody, 1st Vice President; N. Talley, 2d Vice President; Whitefoord Smith, Secretary; H. A. C. Walker, Treasurer; Wm. M. Wightman, Assistant Treasurer. H. Bass, J. Stacy, J. H. Wheeler, T. E. Leadbetter, C. Betts, R. J. Boyd, S. W. Capers, B. English and D. Derrick, *Managers*.

The following is the

REPORT

OF THE BOARD OF MANAGERS OF THE MISSIONARY SOCIETY OF THE SOUTH CAROLINA CONFERENCE FOR 1843.

It has been the custom of the Board of Managers of the Missionary Society to Report from year to year, the progress of the works with which they are more immediately connected. And in doing so, they have had abundant cause of gratitude to God, for His gracious protection of the field of labour, and for the very signal success which has crowned it.

The Missionary field which is particularly committed to the South Carolina Conference, is one of the humblest, and at the same time one of the most interesting and important. It is true, we bring no spoils from distant lands, nor have we the classic associations of a high antiquity, to give interest to the scene of our missionary labors. This service is emphatically the service of the poor; and looks for its reward, not to the praise of man, but the approval of God.

For a long series of years, that large class of our population, the slaves, on many of the plantations, had no opportunity of religious instruction.—They lived and died the slaves of superstition and of sin. To the eye of the contemplative Christian, their condition was the most deplorable which could well be conceived. Ignorant of all worldly science, they were doomed to pass life's pilgrimage, the victims of constant apprehension and

fear; while wholly uninstructed in the higher truths of religion, they could only look forward to death as terrible, and to the eternity beyond, of its shadows ever hung over their souls, as a wide and unknown waste of ages. If they did not bow down to the idols of their father-land, they worshipped they knew not what—if they were free from the vices of refined society, they were under the dominion of the darkest passions of a savage state. It was in this state of ignorance and wretchedness and sin, that the Gospel found them. Indeed, so debased were their intellectual and moral powers that many regarded the idea of their improvement as chimerical, and fancied that they were even beyond the reach of the Gospel itself. But the Gospel "is the power of God unto salvation to every one that believeth."

And now, after twelve years of missionary labor bestowed upon this most unpromising and uninviting field, we may with joy and thankfulness, exclaim, "What hath God wrought?" The aggregate number of those gathered into the fold of Christ, and now accepted members of our Church, as reported at our present session of the Conference, in these fields of missionary service, is more than six thousand; while many others have died in the faith, and passed to their better home. And how much brighter is the prospect before the succeeding generation of these lowly poor, when three thousand one hundred and thirty-two of their children are under the catechetical instruction of the Ministers of Christ.

The Board have cause of joy over another particular connected with this department of our work. When first the missions to the slaves were instituted, great fear existed, that from exposure to the miasma and noxious exhalations of large plantations, our missionaries might fall victims to their devotion and zeal. But God has been better to us than our fears. And the lives and health of our missionaries have been as safe as those of any other of our ministers. The God we serve, is the God of the lowlands as well as the mountains, and his power is adequate to the protection of his people wherever duty calls them.

Already has the success of missionary operations been producing a happy influence. The discretion of the brethren who have been employed in this work, has increased the public confidence, and wherever the experiment has been made, the effects have spoken. And now the call for more laborers is waxing louder and louder. The fields are already white to the harvest, and the only regret which the Board experience, is, that the means within their control, are not adequate to the entire work as spread out before them. For several years past, the missionary treasury has been embarrassed by debt, and the Board have been under the necessity of curtailings, as far as possible, the expenses of their operations. They trust, however, that as God is opening up the opportunities of more extensive usefulness before them, the Church will come up to their help, and furnish the facilities for the occupancy of every field.

The Board submit the following summary of the condition of the missions, as reported by the missionaries at the present Conference:—

1. Beaufort and Pocoligo Mission has been served by Reverends Thomas E. Leadbetter and Andrew J. Green. This mission is represented as in a flourishing condition. It embraces 27 plantations, and contains 3 white and 640 colored Church members. About 477 children are under catechetical instruction. The Board recommend that this field be divided, as it formerly was, and that two missionaries be employed upon the Beaufort Mission.

2. Combahee and Ashepoo Mission has been under the care of the Rev. John R. Coburn. This Mission is also represented as prosperous, and

continuing to enjoy the confidence of the planters. It embraces 14 plantations with 874 Church members and about 350 children under instruction. The Board recommend that two preachers be employed on this mission also.

4. Pon Pon Mission has been under the charge of the Rev. Charles Wilson. It includes 10 plantations, and numbers 522 Church members, with 235 children catechised. This mission is likewise in a flourishing condition; and the Board recommend that an additional missionary be employed in this field.

4. South Santee Mission has been served by the Rev. M. Eady. There have been connected with this mission 5 plantations, 118 Church members and 70 children catechised. The Board advise the discontinuance of this mission, in consequence of the transfer of many of its members.

5. North Santee has been under the charge of the Rev. John R. Locke. The preacher on this mission having removed to Alabama, the Board have no statistical information respecting it. The presiding Elder represents it as in a very sound and healthful state. Last year's report gave 6 white and 528 colored members.

6. Cooper River Mission has been served by the Rev. William H. Flemming. It embraces 9 plantations with 16 white, and 700 colored members, and 110 children catechised. The Board regret that sufficient interest is not felt in this mission by those whose plantations are served.

7. Wateree Mission has been under the care of the Rev. William J. Jackson. It embraces 36 plantations, and 725 Church members, with 400 children catechised. This mission is represented as in a very flourishing condition. The Board recommend the employment of an additional missionary in this field.

8. Pee Dee Mission was under the care of the Rev. W. Clark. It is represented as in a good condition. It embraces 5 plantations, with 147 Church members, and 150 children catechised.

9. Black River and Pee Dee was under the care of Reverends A. Nettles and L. O'Neal. It comprises 18 plantations, having 850 Church members, and 249 children catechised.

10. Waccamaw Neck Mission has been served by Reverends J. A. Minick and Williamson Smith. It is represented as in a very good condition; and has 5 white and 504 colored Church members, and 528 children under regular catechetical instruction.

11. Sampit Mission contains 12 plantations, and has 178 Church members, and 300 children catechised. It has been under the care of the Rev. P. A. M. Williams, and is reported as in a prosperous state.

12. Cape Fear Mission has been served by the Rev. M. C. Turrentine. It embraces 24 plantations, with 42 white and 324 colored members, and 263 children catechised. This mission is also considered in a prosperous condition.

The Board strongly recommend the establishment of a mission to the slaves on Congaree, in the vicinity of Columbia.

REPORT OF THE TREASURER

OF THE SOUTH-CAROLINA CONFERENCE MISSIONARY SOCIETY.

H. A. C. Walker, *Treasurer* in account with the Missionary Society of the South Carolina Conference.

FROM MISSIONS.

February, 1843.

North Santee, by Rev. H. Bass—Mrs. Horry, \$20; J. H. Ladson, Esq. 25; A. Johnson, Esq. 20; Messrs. R. & C. Loundes, 2; Major W. R.

Maxwell, 20; E. Frost, Esq. 25; J. R. Pringle, Esq. 20; Mrs. A. D. Loundes 20; Missionary Boxes of Master Benjamin A. Munnerlyn, Miss Emma Munnerlyn, and Master J. K. Munnerlyn, 80 cts.;—\$170 80.

South-Santee, by Rev. H. Bass—A. V. Keene, Esq.—\$5.

Cooper River, by Rev. H. Bass—J. Venning, Esq. 5; collection by Rev. W. H. Flemming, 6;—\$11.

Cape Fear, by Rev. M. C. Turrentine—Dr. F. J. Hill, 25; a Lady, 2 50; W. L. Hall, Esq. 10; T. G. Drew, Esq. 3; J. H. Watters, Esq. 20; J. G. Hall, Esq. 5; T. Greer, Esq. 3; Capt. S. Potter, Esq. 20; Dr. A. J. De Rossett, Jun. 10; Dr. J. D. Bellamy, 10; D. Godwin, Esq. 5; public collections, 10;—\$123 50.

Sampit, by Rev. P. A. M. Williams—F. Withers, Esq. \$300.

Black River and Pee Dee, by Rev. A. Nettles—Hon. J. R. Poinsett, 20; J. Axum, Sen. Esq. 15; R. H. Collins, Esq. 10; T. B. Hamline, Esq. 5; Capt. J. H. Allston, 30; E. P. Coachman, Esq. 5; Mrs. McDonald, 5; F. Weston, Esq. 10; E. McDonald, 1; Col. R. F. W. Allston, 50; Dr. J. R. Sparkman, 10; W. E. Sparkman, Esq. 5; P. W. Fraser, Esq. 20; W. G. Leneux, 5; Col. B. F. Hunt, 15;—Pringle, Esq. 25; W. G. Bellane, Esq. 5; A. B. Jayroe, Esq. 5; J. W. Smith, 1 25; H. R. Hennecey 50 cts.; several persons, 3 75;—\$246 50.

Wateree, by the Rev. W. J. Jackson—Maj. J. M. Desaussure, 50; J. C. Doby, Esq. (for 1841, 20; for '42, 20) 40; L. Boyken, Esq. and lady, 20; Messrs. Hale and Mathegon, 20; Mrs. Harriet English, 10; Jacob Little, Esq. 10; Col. J. Chesnut, Sen. 10; Mrs. Ellen Chesnut, 10; J. W. Arthur, 5; Dr. J. B. Jennings, 5; Mrs. Mary McRea, 20; Capt. Thomas Lang, 25; several persons, 8;—\$233.

Combahce and Ashepoo, by Rev. J. R. Coburn—Hon. T. Loundes, 100; Hon. R. B. Rhett, 100; N. Hayward, Esq. 50; Estate of W. M. Smith, 40; J. G. Godfrey, Esq. 25; Mrs. J. L. Gibbs, 25; Mrs. M. H. Heyward, 15; T. M. Rhett, Esq. 15; Master J. R. Coburn and Miss M. A. Coburn's little missionary boxes, 7 06; Lydia, Mr. C.'s servant, 5;—\$382 06.

Waccamaw Neck, by Rev. J. A. Minick—Col. J. J. Ward, 100; W. A. Allston, Esq. 100; C. Allston, 100; Col. T. A. Allston, 50; Col. Arthur P. Allston, 20; Mr. and Mrs. H. J. Thompson, 7—\$377.

Pee Dee, by Rev. C. Betts—J. Gibson, Esq. 50; Major W. H. Cannon, by Rev. W. C. Clarke, 20; J. McLaughan, Esq. 10; colored persons, 3;—\$83.

Pon Pon, by Rev. C. Wilson—W. Aiken, Esq. 150; Col. L. Morris, 50; Mrs. Ann Morris, 50; Charles Baring, 150;—\$400.

Beaufort and Pocoligo, by Rev. T. E. Leadbetter—Dr. T. Fuller, 35; T. O. Barnwell, Esq. 13; Mrs. M. Stewart, 30; Mrs. J. G. Barnwell, 20; Misses Ann and Emily Barnwell, 22; Mr. R. Meas, 30; Dr. B. B. Sams, 20; Rev. S. Elliott, Sen. 50; Miss Maria Habersham, 25; Thomas Fuller, Esq. 12; Capt. E. Barnwell, 20; H. Stuart, Esq. 25; R. Chisolm, Esq. 140;—\$422.—Total, \$2603 86.

FROM AUXILIARY SOCIETIES.

Treasurer Wadesboro' Missionary Society, by the Rev. S. W. Capers, \$246; Georgetown Missionary Society, by Rev. S. Leard, 25 31; Wilmington Missionary Society, by J. Stacy, 57 19; Camden Ladies' Missionary Society, by Rev. W. Millard, Treasurer, 9 95; Fayetteville Juvenile Missionary Society, by H. G. Hall, Treasurer, 13; Charleston Capers Missionary Society of Colored Men, 85 75; Charleston Free Colored Female Missionary Society, 84 81; Charleston Juvenile Colored Missionary Society, 33 25; Chesterfield Missionary Society, by Rev. J. M. Bradley, 7 39; Rockingham, by Rev. J. M. Potter, 147 35; by do. B. T. Miss. and S. S.

Soc. by do. from Texas, 23 8, 170 43; Pleasant Grove, for relief of the Missionary Treasury, by Rev. J. Watts, 50; do. by do. 89 20, 139 20; Cumberland, by Rev. C. M. Leod, 23 25; Santee, by J. W. Wellborn, viz. Sumterville, 35 43; Gethsemane, 4 04; Oak Grove, 17 18; Beulah, 1 62; St. Marks, 12 50; Rohoboth, 22; St. Pauls, 38 40; Hebron, 10 50; Pine Log, 16; Lodebar, 8; Rembert's, 15 31; Clarks, 6 59; Sardis 1 75; St. Lukes, 17; John's 15 87; Colored people at Sumterville, 4 37; do. at St. Pauls, 15 60;—289 04; Black River, by A. W. Walker, 70; Camden, by Rev. W. C. Kirkland, 59 25; Cokesbury Female Missionary Society, by Mrs. Turpin, 59; Marion, by Rev. W. A. McSwain, viz. Moody's, 1; Miller's 50; Clio, 12 25; Damascus, 10; Bethlehem, 8; Macedonia, 3 75; Ark. 2 50; Old Neck, 6; Shiloah, 1 50; Marion, 8 75; Ariel, 6; Liberty Chapel, 4; Tabernacle, 5; Sundry persons, 7 87, 77 60; Black Swamp, by Rev. J. H. Wheeler, 171 81; Greenville and Hopewell, by Rev. T. S. Daniel, 7; Union, by Rev. Allen McCorquodale, 141 25; Laurens, by Rev. G. W. Moore, 121 40; Centre, by M. L. McKinzie, Treas. Centre, 17 75; Emory, 2 42; Taber, 70; Kadesh, 4 50; New Chapel, 3 12; N. Hope, 1 20; Mt. Harmony, 7 87; Zoar, 1 87; Mt. Zion, 35; Union, 1 10; Mt. Pleasant, 8 27; Liberty, 25; Salem, 1 45; Bethel, 2 60; Concord, 5 70; Carmel, 50; Stony Hill, 3 35; Randals, 350; Asbury, 1 12; Bethesda, 70; Collections, 8 64, 76 97; Walterboro', by Rev. C. Murchison, 137 12; Columbia, by Rev. W. S. Halton, 23 62; Charleston, for relief of missionary treasury, by Rev. H. Bass, 121 14; do. balance by Rev. B. English, 56 50; Black Swamp, for relief of missionary Treasury, by Rev. H. Bass, 68 89; do. by do. 219 31; Walterboro', by do. 123 62; do. do. for relief of missionary treasury, 94 48; 218 10; Orangeburg, by do. Cypress, by Rev. H. Bass, 173 79; Charleston Juvenile Missionary Society, by John W. Stov, Esq., 32; Cokesbury, by Rev. R. J. Boyd, 344; Columbia, (balance) by Rev. W. Smith, 203 89.—\$3709 76.

COLLECTIONS ON CIRCUITS AND STATIONS.

Aiken Circuit, by Rev. N. Talley, \$11 25; Columbia, colored people, by Rev. W. Smith, 58 84; Charlotte, by Rev. C. H. Pritchard, 23 75; do. colored people by do., 26 10; 49 85; Cheraw, (20 of which to constitute brother D. Derrick a life member of the Parent Society, and 10 to constitute Rev. W. P. Mouzon a life member of the South Carolina Conference missionary society.) by Rev. W. P. Mouzon, 87 70; Smithville, by Rev. T. Huggins, 23; Winnsboro', by Rev. D. McDaniel, 80 12; do. for relief of missionary treasury, 11; 99 12; Yorkville, by Rev. C. S. Walker, 30 23; Barnwell, by Rev. W. G. Patterson, 35; Charleston Neck, by Rev. J. Nipper, viz: Public collections, 11 21; cent collections, 2 56, through J. Johnson, 2 75; through M. A. Bassett, 5, 21 52; collected in a monthly prayer meeting, Bennettsville, by Rev. A. W. Walker, 3 75; Pendleton, by Rev. A. B. McGilvray, 43 18; Lenoir, by Rev. T. W. Harrison, 5; Camden, colored people, by Rev. W. C. Kirkland, 27 06; do. for relief of missionary treasury, by do. 25; Lancaster, by Rev. D. W. Seale, viz: Hanging casterville, 23; Camp Creek, 260; Ebenezer, 30 cts., Stratford 2; Hanging Rock, 50 cents; Salem 1 47; Tabernacle, 78 cents; Zion, 1 70; 32 02; Lincolnton, by Rev. W. A. Gamewell, 69 10; collected by Mrs. Crook, 6 50; 75 60; Greenville, by Rev. T. S. Daniel, viz: Bethel, 3 80, Salem, 1 50; Concord 1; Zion, 70 cts.; Foster's, 238; Shiloah 8 12; 17 92; Deep River, by Rev. S. Jones, 60 75; Edgefield, by Rev. S. Dunwoody, 95 75; Fayetteville, by Rev. J. B. Anthony, 13 30; do. for relief of missionary treasury, by J. B. Anthony, 32; 45 30; Shelby, by brother J. A. McMackin, 21; Cooper River, by Rev. A. M. Chrietzburg, 35; Conwayboro', by Rev. S.

D. Laney, viz: John Brantly 1; W. L. Phillips, 5; Col. S. G. Singleton, 1; J. Durant, 1; Mrs. E. B. Brantly, 1, P. Vaught, 1, for relief of missionary treasury, 2 46; 12 46; Darlington, by Rev. L. Scarborough, 25; Spar-tanburg, by Rev. S. Townsend, 68 60; do. for relief of missionary treasury, 6 25; 74 85; Montgomery, by Rev. S. W. Daves, 21 47; Charlotte, by M. Robins, 86 41, Rutherfordton, by Rev. C. A. Crowell, 36 29; Newberry, by Rev. J. P. Zimmerman, 192; Darlington, by Rev. A. M. Forster, 6 71; Darlington, by Rev. A. M. Forster, for relief of missionary treasury, 15 44; Walterboro', by Rev. C. Murchison, 94 48; Orangeburg, by Rev. J. W. Townsend, 113 40; Morganton, by Rev. J. P. Kirtin, 375; Bladen, by Rev. M. A. McKibben, 34; Orangeburg, for relief of missionary treasury, by Rev. H. Bass, 98 59; Cypress, for relief of missionary treasury, by Rev. H. Bass, 16; Barnwell, do. do. 25; Cokesbury, balance cent a week collection, by Rev. R. J. Boyd, 105 37; do. prayer meeting collections, by do. 11 12.—Total \$1936 19.

DONATIONS.

Mrs. S. E. Walker, (avails of industry,) to constitute her husband, Rev. H. A. C. Walker, a life member of the Parent Society, \$20. Mrs. Mary Blackeney, by Rev. J. M. Bradley, 5; Sunday School children of Columbia, for Foreign Missions, 10, do. for Domestic Missions, 14 24; avails of jewelry, through Mr. John Veal, 7; a lady, by Rev. D. G. McDaniel, 10; Miss L. H. Richardson, by Rev. J. Wellbourn, 25; do. for relief of missionary treasury, 5; Rev. J. W. Wellbourn, do. 5; Rev. W. Lewis, do. by do. 5; Mrs. Martha Davis, 5; Rev. J. W. Wightman, 5; Rev. Thomas Berry, 50 cts., 50 50; Mrs. M. L. Friday, by Rev. J. Nipper, 2; Charles Den-ex, 75 cts., donation 25 cts., 3; Mrs. M. S. S. Jackson, by Rev. W. J. Jackson, 5; Camden, Sunday School Missionary box, 19, savings of Misses Mary B. and Agness H. Crook, 50 cts., Misses M. C. and S. F. F. Dena, avails of needle work, 8, F. McGilvray, by Rev. W. A. McSwain, 1, avails of charity church cent a week collections, by Rev. J. H. Macey, 13, Missionary box, kept in a sick room, by Mrs. Isabella E. Dean, 35, Rev. J. R. Felder, local preacher's proposition, by Rev. W. M. Wightman, 10, Rev. J. H. Treadwell, by do. 10, W. Ashly, Aiken, ct. by do. 5, Mrs. Anderson, Cokesbury, 5; C. A. Graeser, Columbia, 5 35; Mrs. M. H. Heyward, by J. H. Wheeler, for Foreign Missions, 2 59; Mr. Leonard, 1; W. Bates, 1; J. Gilstrap's children, 63 cts. Mr. Weaver's children, 50 cents; Rev. D. Hilliard's children, 1 37; by Rev. T. S. Daniel, 4 50; legacy of Mrs. Mary Blackledge, of Cypress ct., by R. R. Fralick, executor for African Mission, through Rev. W. Capers, D. D. 500; Ladies' Working Society, Darlington, by Rev. A. M. Foster, 13 50; Mrs. Agnes Leadbetter, (74 years of age) avails of patch quilt making and knitting, 35; her servant Amey, 50 cts., 35 50; Mrs. A. M. Davis, by Rev. J. N. Davis, 10; Simon Beckham, Esq., 5; Mrs. M. Gibson, Darlington, for Indian missions, by Rev. A. M. Forster, 100; J. McCall, Esq., 25, 125; Miss Mary F. Branch, (9 years of age,) contents of a missionary box, \$10.—Total, \$942.

PROPORTION OF CENTENARY COLLECTIONS.

From Rev. James Stacy, Chairman of the Centenary Committee, \$157 46.

LIFE SUBSCRIBERS.

Rev. B. Wofford, to make Mrs. Wofford, a life member, \$10.

CONTRIBUTED AT THE ANNIVERSARY HELD AT COKE-S-BURY.

To support a Missionary to Goulah, in Africa, the following persons contributed each \$10, viz: C. Betts, J. M. Bradley, R. J. Boyd, Whitefoord

Smith, W. Capers, W. L. Pegues, J. Stacy, C. H. Pritchard, T. S. Daniel, M. Eady, M. J. Williams, B. English, J. W. Wightman, H. Bass, S. M. Green, Mrs. E. F. Williams, Dr. I. Branch, T. E. Leadbetter, L. Smith, J. W. Wellborn, Mrs. A. E. Turpin, N. A. Talley, A. Hoyle, Dr. F. Branch, Mrs. H. A. J. Walker, C. Smith, Miss A. W. Wightman, T. W. Wheeler, Mrs. E. H. McGilvray, Mrs. H. Ogburn, D. Seale, Mrs. W. M. Wightman, Mrs. E. W. Shipp, by a friend, to make C. A. Crowell a life member of the So. Ca. Conference, Mrs. Schenck, M. M. Michau, Robert Davis, S. Herndon, Miss Payne, 390. For the same object, T. W. Williams, 20; J. H. Wheeler, 50; 70. For the same object, the following persons contributed each \$5, viz:—S. Jones, J. A. Minick, J. Nipper, D. G. McDaniell, Miss Carter, W. A. McSwain, L. Scarborough, Mrs. A. A. Talley, A. Nettles, Mrs. N. Hoyle, L. Little, Mrs. M. A. Gary, Dr. J. L. Anderson, P. W. Conner, cash, 10; Mrs. S. C. Gilman, J. A. Porter, T. A. Conner, Capt. C. Smith, Mrs. Doct. Thomas, C. Taylor, C. A. Crowell, Dr. Holland, J. W. Stoy, Mrs. C. V. Barnes, 125. Ten students of Cokesbury School, 10.—\$595.

To educate an African boy one year, to be named Daniel Cleary Thomas, and to constitute John F. Arnold, Wm. Edward Hayne, Arthur and Mary Ann Thomas, life members of the Missionary Society of the So. Ca. Conference.—\$30.

To educate an African child one year, and name him Francis Cokesbury, the following persons contributed \$1 each, viz: H. A. C. Walker, Whiteford Smith, M. Eady, J. W. Townsend, J. H. Wheeler, S. P. Taylor, A. J. Weems, W. Lyon, J. F. Smith, W. Crook, H. A. Bass, G. R. Talley, J. R. Coburn, C. Murchison, J. Parker, W. H. Brunson, J. Moore, I. L. Potter, S. Dunwoody, W. C. Patterson, H. H. Crowell, J. Watts, J. N. Davis, H. W. Leadbetter, and T. W. Williams, 5.—\$30.

To educate an African child one year, and name him James Ezekiel Evans, the following persons contributed each \$1, viz: Wm. M. Wightman, \$2; S. W. Capers, W. L. Pegues, N. Talley, J. N. Davis, J. F. Smith, J. W. Wightman, S. Wright, J. W. Wellborn, G. R. Talley, S. Townsend, C. Murchison, C. Betts, W. S. Haltom, R. J. Boyd, C. A. Crowell, J. Hughes, and G. W. Huckabee, \$5; G. W. Hodges, 3; W. C. Clarke, 3; W. Capers, 2; A. M. Chrietzburg, 2 33. From thirty students of Cokesbury School, to educate an African child one year, and name him Robert Jones Boyd, 30.—\$63.

A Friend to Missions 5; Rev. J. E. Evans, 5. Public collection, 80 12 cents.—\$808 12.

RECAPITULATION.

From Missions,	\$2603 86
Auxiliary Societies,	3709 76
Circuits and Stations,	1903 57
Donations,	942 00
Proportion of Centenary collections,	157 46
Life Subscriber,	10 00
Annual subscriptions,	21 00
Contributed at the Anniversary held at Cokesbury,	808 12
	<hr/> \$10,155 77

1843.

Feb. 8. By legacy of Mrs. Blackledge, forwarded through Dr. Capers, to Rev. G. Lane, Treasurer Missionary Society, of Methodist Episcopal Church, \$500 00

Feb. 8, Payment of two orders from last year, held by Rev. H. Bass, and which he could not succeed in collecting,	115 00
" Payment on do. do. do.	30 00
" Payment in part of Missionary draft, for support of Missions, in Charleston District, last year, in favor of Rev. H. Bass,	1212 50
" Payment in part of the salary of the Missionary Secretary of the Southern Conferences for the current year,	403 89
" To this amount contributed on Cape Fear Mission, and by direction of the donors paid over to the missionary.	123 50
" Postage and stationary,	2 12
" Drafts paid by Treasurer,	4398 50
" Cash in hand,	3490 56

H. A. C. WALKER, Treasurer.

\$10276 07

N. B. For the entire amount collected within the Conference district for the support of missions for the year 1842, reference must be had to the answer in the minutes. The reason of the discrepancy between that amount and the one here stated is this: in the former the *entire amount* (whether sent to the Treasurer of the Parent Society at New-York during the year, or brought up to Conference) collected by the preachers and others is set down; while in the latter the *cash only* coming into the hands of the Treasurer of the Conference Missionary Society is entered.

H. A. C. W.

NOTE.—The following persons were constituted life members at the anniversary meeting, by amounts appropriated to the objects stated in the foregoing account, viz:—I. L. Potter, Mrs. H. Ogburn, Miss A. W. Wightman, C. A. Crowell, Mrs. E. W. Shipp, Master H. Kennedy, Master N. A. Talley, Master J. L. Hoyle, Mrs. M. V. Branch, Mrs. A. Wheaton, A. M. Shipp, Mrs. F. Branch, H. Schenck, M. M. Michau, Mrs. E. P. Stacy, Master T. W. Wheeler; and Chas. Maunship was constituted a life member at the Conference held at Charlotte. J. H. Wheeler was constituted a life member of the Parent Society, (in the same way.) by T. W. Williams.

FUND OF SPECIAL RELIEF.

Trustees.—W. Capers, Chairman; B. English, Treasurer; N. Talley, Secretary; S. Dunwoody, H. Bass, D. Derrick, and W. Crook.

The Trustees of this Fund reported to Conference the following appropriations, which were confirmed:

To Mrs. Gamewell,	\$25 00
Mrs. Spain,	25 00
Mrs. Hartley,	25 00
Mrs. Morgan,	24 73
Mrs. C. G. Hill,	30 00
Mrs. James Hill,	15 00
Mrs. Dawson,	15 00
To Rev. John Mood,	25 00
Rev. John Newell,	20 00
Rev. L. Garrison,	20 00
Rev. P. Elrod,	15 00

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\$254 73

THE TRUST,

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

Board of Trustees.—W. M. Wightman, Chairman; R. J. Boyd, Secretary; Thos. E. Leadbetter, Treasurer; D. Derrick, H. A. C. Walker, and J. W. Townsend, Managers.

EXTRA ALLOWANCES.

COMMITTEE'S REPORT.—“The amount of monies that have come into your committee's hands, and the manner in which it has been appropriated, is as follows:—We have received

From Ladies Working Society of Charleston, S. C.	\$92 69
“ Cheraw,	6 25
“ Mrs. Ann M. Davis,	19 00
“ Wilmington, N. C.	5 10
“ Marion,	2 15
“ Cokesbuay,	10 00
“ Orangeburg,	10 06
“ Black River,	1 81
“ Black Swamp,	6 37
“ Shelby,	26
“ Edgefield,	50
Balance from Conference Stewards,	1 00

\$146 20

Paid to Widow and Orphans of Rev. A. McPherson,	\$36 55
“ “ “ “ A. Morgan,	36 55
“ “ “ “ C. G. Hill,	36 55
“ “ “ “ J. Gamewell,	36 55

\$146 20

They recommend that three hundred dollars be raised the ensuing year, for necessitous cases.

PASTORAL LETTER,

TO THE MEMBERS OF THE METHODIST EPISCOPAL CHURCH UNDER
THE PASTORAL CARE OF THE SOUTH-CAROLINA CONFERENCE:

Beloved Brethren,—At the close of another session of Conference, we gladly renew, by this letter, our affectionate greetings, and give expression to the fervent love and willing zeal with which we feel ourselves to be, with all our hearts, devoted to your service.

The past year, marked though it has been, for pecuniary embarrassments, has been one of uncommon spiritual prosperity. This has been manifested in the great and numerous revivals with which many parts of our work have been visited, and the large increase of the membership of the church. For while in our own Conference district, the increase of the members during the year has amounted to four thousand seven hundred and fifty

one, we are enabled to rejoice over an aggregate nett increase of more than one hundred and twenty thousand in all the Conferences. This calls for devout thanksgivings; and the more for the goodness of God in the general peace which pervades our borders. Except one spot, in New England, our church enjoys great tranquillity, and the spirit of Christian union and brotherly love appears to be as prevalent as at any former period.—As our numbers increase, (and we now exceed a million of members,) the danger of schism must naturally be increased also; and the greater care ought to be taken to cultivate the unity of the Spirit in the bond of peace. In order to this, it is important, that while we hold fast to fundamental principles, we exercise a spirit of Christian forbearance, which allows a diversity of opinion in unessential things; and also, that we be so impressed with the value of peace and unity, as to be ready to make any reasonable sacrifice to promote them. Conscience must be held inviolate; but there are many matters of taste and educational prejudice, which, long indulged, come in time to be regarded as points of conscience; and here great care should be taken to discriminate between the command of God, and the tastes, or opinions, or prejudices of men.

We have another cause of rejoicing and thankfulness in the increase of Missionary contributions within the bounds of our Conference district the past year, over any former one. This we regard chiefly as the result of the systematic efforts so strongly recommended a year ago; and by which it was intended that every member of the church should be brought to feel a lively interest in this department of Christian duty, and to bear a part, however small, in the great work of spreading the Gospel of Christ to the ends of the earth. And may we not trust, brethren, that while a due regard to this most Christian duty prevails, and the members of the church, with increasing unanimity, render to the Gospel the support it requires for its universal promulgation, the effect shall be a growing concern that themselves and their families may share richly in its precious blessings.

FAMILY RELIGION cannot be too strongly inculcated. Charity does, in very deed, begin at home. To the force of example in your godly conversation, add your endeavors to teach your children, with untiring pains, the way they ought to go. Let them always see in you a spirit, answering your profession, which honors godliness above worldly gain, and is chiefly careful for their souls' salvation. Let the sacrifice of morning and evening prayers, and reading the Scriptures be continually and reverently observed; and let it be an act of family worship strictly, in which all the members of the family should unite. Avail yourselves of the benefit of Sunday School instruction, particularly for your younger children; and make provision to have them all with you in the public worship. We exhort, also, that you show like fidelity in your duty to your servants; and that you both encourage

them to attend public worship with you, and provide for them that they may have a portion in the house of God.

During our Conference deliberations, we have been led to examine with deep solicitude, the present position of the church in relation to her distinctive institutions; for we cannot but be sensible how much our success, as a people, has depended on our denominational peculiarities. And on this occasion, as on every former one, in the light of Scripture and experience, we are the more persuaded of the importance of adhering closely to our original landmarks. We have resolved, under renewed convictions of duty, to allow no ordinary cause to prevent the regular and constant meeting of the classes by the preachers at all the circuit appointments; and to insist, with most affectionate earnestness, that you forsake not the assembling of yourselves together for this most profitable exercise of Christian fellowship.—Our whole experience proves the great importance of this particular means of grace to the preservation of a sound and healthful state of religion among us. We have no controversy with sister churches, but of this, we know for ourselves.

Of the sacraments, both Baptism and the Lord's Supper, we need say nothing to incite you to their due observance. Parents should feel it a sacred obligation to take an early opportunity to present their children at the altar for baptism; and to do this without respect to preferences sometimes entertained for favorite ministers—as if so high a duty might for such a reason be deferred without offence. And in all our circuits, the stewards should regard it a bounden duty to provide the elements for the administration of the sacraments of the Lord's Supper quarterly in every church.

We cannot but repeat the admonition and exhortation of a former year with respect to the careful and holy observance of the Christian Sabbath. It is much to be feared that a proper reverence is not always felt for the Lord's day. Ordinary travelling should be especially avoided, and every effort used to consecrate, both by ourselves and those in our service, the entire day. Even our thoughts should be held captive, and no worldly cares permitted to intrude upon the sanctity of this day of rest.

We would also exhort you, brethren, to avoid conformity to the world, in its maxims, fashions or spirit. In a time of general pecuniary embarrassment, shun every temptation to fraud or oppression. Let a forbearing and merciful spirit be cherished, and let none of us seek our own, but every man another's wealth. It is to be deplored that, among all classes, the pressure of the times has not been met with a becoming forbearance, and instances there have been of a grievous dereliction. The temptation to gain by usury, has proved too strong for some, and the sympathy and charity of our Christian character has been paralyzed by covetousness; and some others, driven to desperate adventures, to escape impending ruin, have both lost their for-

tures, and exhibited a strange insensibility to all the force of moral obligation. Such times require the strictest adherence to the nicest rule of right, as the only safeguard for character or property, morals or religion.

We have mentioned the Missions. We cannot but feel how sacredly we are bound to sustain and extend them. Those which have been instituted within our borders, we regard as an extension of our circuit plan, in a peculiar form, accommodated to the work. And those abroad, contemplate nothing less than the introduction and establishment of the same principles and form of Christianity, in other countries as in our own. Both departments (the home and foreign missions) are, perhaps, of equal interest and obligation. The Church, the entire Church, is debtor to all, to whom in the providence of God, a way is open for the introduction of the Gospel. And of this debt of the Church, how great is the amount! How have men slept, while the Master's heritage has been polluted with the *tares* of the enemy! The measure of our duty in this great work of the evangelization of the nations—the grand object of the constitution of the Church—is only to be determined by the indications of God's providence. How far we can go, and ought to go, and how much we can do, and ought to do in it, we can never know in any other way than by humbly following in the work of faith as He directs. "The earth is the Lord's, and the fulness thereof; the world and they that dwell therein." "The kings of Tarshish and of the Isles shall bring presents; the kings of Sheba and Seba shall offer gifts." The church is the repository of the means of grace for all mankind. Christ has not forgot "the travail of his soul," and cannot be indifferent to the conversion of the nations. If there is help with God for any labor upon earth, there must be for this; and He will bless it and make it to prosper for his name's sake. And surely, if it is true with respect to any interest upon earth, that "there is that scattereth and yet increaseth; and there is that withholdeth more than is meet, but it tendeth to poverty," it must be pre-eminently so with respect to the pains and cost of the work of missions. We congratulate you, brethren, with sincere pleasure, on the amount of your contributions the past year. We hail you, with rejoicing, in the front rank of the American division of Wesleyan Methodists, in this battle of the Lord against the mighty.—Maintain your position, and fall not back. Let the collections be universal in all the classes, the stronger helping the weaker, till every individual, rich or poor, old or young, male or female, free or bond, shall be numbered with those who pray in sincerity, and with Christian consistency, "THY KINGDOM COME; THY WILL BE DONE IN EARTH AS IT IS IN HEAVEN." Therefore as ye abound in every thing in faith, and utterance, and knowledge, and in all diligence, and in your love to us, see that ye abound in this grace also." "And God is able to make all grace abound towards you, that ye, always having all sufficiency in all

things, may abound to every good work." "Being enriched in every thing to all bountifulness, which causeth, through us, thanksgiving to God."

Signed in behalf of the Conference,

JAMES OSGOOD ANDREW, *President.*

JOSEPH H. WHEELER, *Secretary.*

Cokesbury, February 14, 1843.

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MINUTES, &c.

1. *Who have been admitted on trial?*

James E. Davis, W. H. Conner, Henry A. Bass, Joseph Parker, Newton Goudelock, John W. Vandiver, and Daniel Boyd.—7.

2. *Who remain on trial?*

N. Bird, W. H. Brunson, W. H. Smith, Wm. Carson, Manasseh, Michan, and James F. Smith.—6.

3. *Who are received into full connection?*

Claudius H. Pritchard, Daniel D. Cox, Samuel M. Green, Stafford P. Taylor, Wm. H. Flemming, John A. Porter, Dennis J. Simmons, Solomon W. Daves, and Albert M. Shipp.—9.

4. *Who are the Deacons?*

Michael Robins,* Allen Huckabee,* Williamson Smith,* Lewis Little,* C. H. Pritchard, D. D. Cox, S. M. Green, Stafford P. Taylor, W. H. Flemming, John A. Porter, D. J. Simmons, S. W. Daves, and A. M. Shipp.

5. *Who have been elected and ordained Elders?*

Lark O'Neal, Zephaniah W. Barnes, Abel M. Chreitzberg, Jacob Nipper, Wesley L. Pegues, Martin Eady, Alfred Richardson, and Wm. A. McSwain.—8.

6. *Who have been located this year?*

William Martin, W. M. D. Moore, and K. Murchison.

7. *Who are the supernumerary preachers this year?*

Wm. M. Kerr.

8. *Who are the superannuated or worn out Preachers?*

Joseph Moore, James Jenkins, James Dannelly, John N. Davis, James L. Belin, David Hilliard, Campbell Smith, and B. Hamilton. (Jas. Jenkins and B. Hamilton relinquish their disciplinary claim.)

9. *Who have been expelled this year?*

None.

10. *Who have withdrawn?*

None.

11. *Were all the preachers' characters examined?*

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

12. *Who have died this year?*

None.

NOTE.—Those marked thus, (*) were ordained Deacons last year.

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

The amount received is \$1,455 94—It has been appropriated as

follows:

To		Amount		From		Amount	
Rev.	John Tarrant,	-	2 83	Rev. W. M. Kennedy	100	45	
"	W. T. Harrison,	-	10 60	"	Angus McPherson,	75	75
"	Joseph Moore,	-	51 25	"	John Bunch,	-	63 55
"	James Dannelly,	-	155 80	"	John G. Postell,	-	67 65
"	W. M. D. Moore,	-	110 60	"	B. Thomason,	-	59 45
"	J. N. Davis,	-	102 50	Children of Rev. J. Freeman,	12	30	
"	J. L. Bellin,	-	102 50	"	"J. J. Richardson,	-	25 62
"	David Hilliard,	-	127 10	Mrs. Brown,	-	-	9 88
Widow of	Rev. Isaac Smith,	-	25 62	Bishop Roberts,	-	-	9 88
"	" Daniel Asbury,	-	51 25	Bishop Soule,	-	-	9 88
"	" T. D. Turpin,	-	71 75	Bishop Hedding,	-	-	9 05
"	" John Gamewell,	-	51 25	Bishop Andrew,	-	-	11 34
"	" Asbury Morgan,	-	63 55	Bishop Waugh,	-	-	7 04
Widow and Orphans of	Rev. C. G. Hill,	-	51 25	Bishop Morris,	-	-	

Balance to defray contingent expenses of Conference.

16 *What report have we from our Sunday Schools?*

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<i>Charleston District.</i>											
Charleston, - - -	\$927 50	75 00	3	6	44	335	500				
Charleston Neck, - -	31 79	11 28	2	3	12	170	40				
Black Swamp, - - -	456 50		4	4	13	66	250				
Walterboro', - - -	231 60		8	8	30	142	800				
Barnwell, - - -	60 00		3	3	8	75					
Orangeburg, - - -	506 25		7	5	33	124	261			15000	
Cypress, - - -	699 74	2 00	4	4	13	81	195				
Cooper River, - - -	35 00		2	2	5	35					
Beauf't & Pocoligo	458 50										
Combahee & Ashepoo	382 06										
Pon Pon, - - -	400 00										
South Santee, - - -	5 00										
North Santee, - - -	170 00										
Cooper River, - - -	24 00										
	4387 94	88 28	33	35	158	1028	2046			15000	

Cokesbury District.												
Cokesbury, - -	1652	92	35	00	3	10	47	326	500			
Edgefield, - - -	99	75			3		3	48				
Pendleton, - - -	43	23	12	00	4	4	14	135	260			3000
Greenville Station,	17	00	18	50	1	2	12	50	250			
Greenville Circuit,	29	00			2		29	170	480			
Union, - - - -	199	00	33	00	6	6	27	230	1100	50	30	2500
Laurens, - - - -	121	00	3	00	10	11	35	211	300	2	20	500
Carried forward,	2161	90	101	50	40	44	177	1170	2390	52	50	6000

Carried forward,

14. What amount is necessary to make up the allowances of the supernumerated Preachers, and the Widows and Orphans of Preachers; and to supply the deficiencies of those Preachers whose claims have not been met in their Circuit?

The amount necessary to meet those claims is \$3780 13.

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Brought forward, Newberry, Aiken, - - - -	\$2161 90 192 00 16 25	101 50 6 6 17 00	40 6 3	41 6 3	177 26 —	117 145 —	2390 695 —	52 8 —	50 4 —	6000 2000 —	—
Columbia District.	2370 15	118 50	49	47	193	1315	3585	60	54	8000	—
Columbia, - - - -	402 73	22 00	1	1	21	119	300	—	—	—	—
Columbia Circuit, - - - -	91 05	—	3	3	12	65	—	—	—	—	—
Winnsboro', - - - -	133 12	—	6	6	16	101	—	—	—	1500	—
Lancaster, - - - -	32 82	4 00	3	3	13	69	—	2	—	—	—
Damden, - - - -	212 31	22 00	1	1	7	33	300	4	10	300	—
Darlington Station, - - - -	160 65	—	1	1	5	30	200	—	—	—	—
Darlington Circuit, - - - -	25 00	—	1	1	4	32	—	4	36	1000	—
Santee, - - - -	448 54	18 00	16	23	87	343	—	6	12	—	—
Waterloo Mission, - - - -	233 00	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
See Dec, " - - - -	83 00	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Wilmington District.	1722 22	66 00	32	38	165	792	800	60	58	28000	—
Wilmington, - - - -	218 24	20 50	1	2	13	102	317	—	—	5000	—
Smithville, - - - -	23 00	5 00	8	8	45	292	465	—	—	—	—
Donwayboro', - - - -	12 46	—	4	5	16	104	—	—	—	—	—
Bladen, - - - -	34 00	25 00	5	5	22	148	—	—	—	450	—
Black River, - - - -	70 00	—	4	4	13	105	—	—	—	—	—
Georgetown, - - - -	167 31	—	1	1	6	50	—	—	—	—	—
Payetteville, - - - -	58 30	10 00	1	2	16	124	230	—	—	—	—
Marion, - - - -	78 00	6 00	7	7	25	200	400	2	3	1000	—
Blk R. & P. D. Miss. - - - -	249 50	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Vaccamaw Neck, " - - - -	372 00	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Campt, - - - -	300 00	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Cape Fear, - - - -	123 50	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Cheraw District.	1711 31	66 50	31	34	156	1125	1412	2	3	6450	—
Cheraw, - - - -	107 70	19 00	1	1	9	40	300	2	6	4000	—
Lockingham, - - - -	174 18	—	4	6	16	120	—	—	—	6500	—
Therfield, - - - -	73 23	—	1	1	2	60	150	7	8	12500	—
Vadesboro', - - - -	306 00	33 87	12	16	52	393	—	13	36	—	9
Centre, - - - -	96 97	—	13	13	55	291	—	—	—	3000	—
Montgomery, - - - -	81 47	—	10	11	32	258	200	12	—	1000	—
Deep River, - - - -	60 75	19 00	10	10	39	200	—	2	25	1500	—
Cumberland, - - - -	23 25	—	4	4	21	184	60	—	—	1000	—
Pleasant Grove, - - - -	139 20	—	7	8	30	175	287	6	—	4000	—
Lincolnton District.	1062 75	71 87	62	70	256	1721	997	36	61	33500	9
Charlotte, - - - -	66 85	10 00	1	1	12	69	200	—	—	2850	—
Charlotte Circuit, - - - -	106 41	52 36	11	12	55	404	—	—	—	7500	—
Carried forward.	173 26	62 36	12	13	67	473	200	—	—	10350	—

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Brought forward,	\$173 26	62 36	12	13	67	473	200	—	—	10350	—
Lincolnton, - - - -	84 10	13 25	6	6	24	170	—	—	—	5000	—
York, - - - -	30 23	—	1	1	5	35	230	—	—	—	—
Spartanburg, - - - -	84 85	8 89	6	7	20	165	500	15	10	2000	—
Rutherfordton, - - - -	36 29	—	2	2	9	57	40	9	1	1000	—
Shelby, - - - -	21 00	—	6	6	21	151	—	—	—	—	—
Morganton, - - - -	3 75	—	3	3	10	75	—	—	—	—	—
Lenoir, - - - -	5 00	—	3	0	8	60	—	—	—	500	—
Total.	\$438 48	84 50	39	38	164	1186	970	24	12	18850	—

RECAPITULATION.

<i>Charleston District</i>	4387.94	88.28	33	35	158	1028	2046	—	—	15000	1
<i>Cokesbury District</i>	2370.15	118.50	49	47	193	1315	3585	60	54	8000	—
<i>Columbia District</i>	1722.22	66.00	32	38	165	792	800	60	58	2800	—
<i>Wilmington District</i>	1711.31	66.50	31	34	156	1125	1412	2	3	6450	—
<i>Cheraw District</i>	1062.75	71.87	62	70	256	1721	997	36	61	33500	—
<i>Lincolnton District</i>	438.48	84.50	39	38	164	1186	970	24	12	18850	—
Total,	11642.85	495.65	246	252	1092	7167	9810	182	208	54600	10

Number of pupils in Bible Classes, Black Swamp, Charleston District, 10; Wadesboro', Cheraw District, 99; Total, 109. Amount collected for Bible Society, Wilmington, Wilmington District, \$30,000.

NOTE.—Many of the Ministers paid considerable sums from their charges respectively, to the Bible Society in the State in the bounds of which they labored; and, therefore, did not report the amounts for publication in this place. Hence the small amount reported here.

17. Where are the Preachers stationed?

CHARLESTON DISTRICT.—R. J. Boyd, P. E. *Charleston*, Wm. Capers, Missionary Secretary, W. M. Wightman, Editor of the Southern Christian Advocate. *Trinity*, James Stacy; *Bethel*, H. Bass; *Cumberland*, W. C. Kirkland; *St. James*, J. Nipper. *Black Swamp*—J. H. Wheeler, W. G. Conner. *Walterboro'*,—C. Murchison, H. A. Bass. *Orangeburg*—D. G. McDaniel, D. J. Simmons. *Cypress*—J. W. Welborn, L. M. Little. *Cooper River*—L. Scarborough. *Missions*, Beaufort—T. E. Leadbetter. *A. M. Chreitzburg*. *Pocotaligo*—A. J. Green. *Combahee and Ashepo*—J. R. Coburn, W. H. Smith. *North Santee*—Samuel Leard, S. M. Green. *Cooper River*—A. Nettles. *Savannah River*—M. Robins, D. D. Cox.

COKESEBURY DISTRICT.—N. Talley, P. E. *Cokesbury*—W. Crook, W. H. Brunson. *Edgefield*—S. Dunwoody, W. H. Flemming. *Pendleton*—D. W. Seal, J. E. Davis. *Greenville Station*—H. M. Mood. *Greenville Circuit*—J. McMackin, W. M. Kerr. *Union*—A. McCorquodale, W. T. Harrison. *Laurens*—G. W. Moore. *Newberry*—J. H. Zimmerman, D. Boyd. *Aiken*

and Hamburg—R. J. Limehouse. *Barnwell*—J. H. Chandler, M. Eady.

COLUMBIA DISTRICT.—Charles Betts, P. E. *Columbia*, S. W. Capers. *Columbia Circuit*—W. Haltom. *Winnboro'*, John Watts, J. A. Porter. *Lancaster*—J. R. Pickett. *Camden*—C. H. Pritchard. *Darlington Station*—J. W. Wightman. *Darlington Circuit*—J. W. Townsend. *Santee*—H. Spain, A. M. Shipp. *Missions*. *Waterce*—W. J. Jackson, Williamson Smith, *Pee Dee*—W. L. Pegues. *Congaree*—Samuel Townsend. *Manchester*—To be supplied.

WILMINGTON DISTRICT.—H. A. C. Walker, P. E. *Wilmington* W. Smith. *Smithville*—C. S. Walker. *Conwayboro'*,—W. C. Clark, J. F. Smith. *Bladen*—J. M. McPherson, Newton Goudelock. *Georgetown*—T. Huggins. *Fayetteville*—Bond English. *Marion*—A. M. Forster, A. W. Walker. *Missions*. *Black River and Pee Dee*—T. S. Daniel, L. O'Neal. *Waccamaw Neck*—John A. Minnick, S. P. Taylor. *Sampit*—P. A. M. Williams. *Cape Fear*—M. C. Turrentine.

CHERAW DISTRICT.—D. Dirrick, P. E. *Cheraw*—C. A. Crowell. *Rockingham*—J. B. Anthony, J. W. Vandiver. *Chesterfield*—Abel Toyle. *Wadesboro'*—H. H. Durant, J. Tarrant. *Centre*—S. Jones, A. Huckabee, S. W. Daves. *Montgomery*—J. M. Bradley, Joseph Parker. *Deep River*—A. H. Richardson. *Cumberland*—C. McLeod. *Pleasant Grove*—W. A. McSwain.

LINCOLNTON DISTRICT.—W. A. Gamewell, P. E. *Charlotte Station*—W. P. Mouson. *Charlotte Circuit*—I. L. Potter. *Lincolnton*—A. B. McGilvray, one to be supplied. *York*—P. G. Bowman. *Spartanburg*—Z. W. Barnes, W. Michau. *Rutherfordton*—M. A. McKibben, J. C. McDaniel. *Shelby*—W. C. Patterson. *Morganton*—G. R. Talley. *Lenoir*—H. E. Ogburn.

Joseph P. Kirton, left without an appointment.

John R. Lock, transferred to Alabama Conference, and stationed on Russell Circuit.

18. *Where shall our next Conference be held?*

At Georgetown, So. Ca., February 7th, 1844.

FAST DAYS.

The first Fridays in May and September, are set apart as days of fasting and prayer, throughout the bounds of this Conference.

THE COURSE OF STUDY, &c.

"FOR THE FIRST YEAR.—The Holy Bible and Book of Discipline. In consulting the Bible, the candidate must consult Watson's Biblical and Theological Dictionary, so as to be able to give a good account of the history of the Bible and its versions, of peculiar Biblical terms, and also of Biblical Biography, Chronology and Geography; the last named to be studied with special and constant reference to the maps in Watson's Dictionary. As far as opportunity may serve, the marginal translations and references

must also be examined and compared; and Coke's, Benson's, or Clarke's Commentary, be consulted when practicable, especially on difficult passages, and Wesley's Notes throughout. Dr. A. Clarke's *Clavis Biblica*, may aid both the student and the examiner.

"FOR THE SECOND YEAR.—The Holy Bible and the Discipline, as before; Wesley's Sermons, especially those of a doctrinal character; Fletcher's Portrait of St. Paul; Porteus' Evidences of Christianity; and Watson's Apology for the Bible, (the editions from our own press); and any approved English Grammar.

"FOR THE THIRD YEAR.—The Holy Bible and the Discipline, as before; and Watson's Theological Institutes, to be first read through, and closely studied a second time, throughout, so as to be prepared to pass through a satisfactory examination on the Evidences, the Doctrines, the Morals, and the Institutions of Christianity.

"FOR THE FOURTH YEAR.—A summary review of the preceding studies, with the Defence of our Fathers, and the Original Organization of the Methodist Episcopal Church; Watson's Biblical and Theological Dictionary, under the appropriate heads, for a condensed view of ecclesiastical history, and of the various Christian denominations; together with the constitutions and latest reports of the Bible, Missionary, Sunday School and Tract Societies; and any work from our own press, on the best mode of forming and conducting Sunday Schools and Bible Classes.

The Committee for examination of candidates for admission into full connection in this Conference, shall always be appointed at the Conference preceding the examination, and shall meet at the place of the next session, at 9 o'clock, A. M., two days previous to the session, of which due notice shall be given to the candidate, whose duty it shall be to attend accordingly.

No candidate neglecting to attend as aforesaid, without good and sufficient reason in the judgment of the Conference, shall be admitted into full connection at that session.

The Committee shall consist of a number not less than the number of Districts within the Conference; and not less than one-third thereof, shall be such as have not served on the same Committee for the year preceding.

The work of examination shall be sub-divided among the members of the Committee at the Conference preceding; and it shall be the duty of each member to attend and take part accordingly; but in case any one be unavoidably prevented, he shall give the earliest notice in his power to the Chairman of the Committee, who shall therefore either appoint a substitute to perform that part of the examination, or perform it himself.

The Committees of examination for each year, and the work of sub-division, as provided for in the fourth resolution above, shall be published annually in connection with the Minutes.

COMMITTEES OF EXAMINATION.

The following are the Committees of Examination for the ensuing year :

FIRST YEAR.—Bible, Henry Bass, Biblical Biography and Chronology, W. C. Kirkland. Discipline, W. J. Jackson. Wesley's Notes, A. W. Walker. H. Bass, Chairman.

SECOND YEAR.—Bible, J. M. Bradley. Discipline, J. Watts. Wesley's Sermons, P. A. M. Williams. Portrait of St. Paul, J. A. Minnick. Porteus' Evidences and Watson's Apology, C. A. Crowell. English Grammar, W. Crook. W. Crook, Chairman.

THIRD YEAR.—Bible, A. M. Forster. Discipline, J. W. Wall. Watson's Institutes, part 1st, S. W. Capers, 2d, C. Wilson, 3d, H. H. Durant, 4th, S. Dunwoody, A. M. Foster, Chairman.

FOURTH YEAR.—Summary Review of Watson's Institutes, Whitefoord Smith. Defence of our Fathers, W. A. Gamewell. Views of Church History and Christian Denominations, R. J. Linchouse. W. Smith, Chairman.

Samuel W. Capers, to preach the Sermon before the preachers.

CONFERENCE INSTITUTIONS.

THE MISSIONARY SOCIETY OF THE SOUTH-CAROLINA CONFERENCE AUXILIARY TO THE MISSIONARY SOCIETY OF THE M. E. CHURCH.

Officers and Managers.—W. Capers, President; S. Dunwoody, 1st Vice President; N. Talley, 2d Vice President; Whitefoord Smith, Secretary; H. A. C. Walker, Treasurer; Wm. M. Wightman, Assistant Treasurer. H. Bass, J. Stacy, J. H. Wheeler, T. E. Leadbetter, C. Betts, R. J. Boyd, S. W. Capers, B. English and D. Derrick, *Managers*.

The following is the

REPORT

OF THE BOARD OF MANAGERS OF THE MISSIONARY SOCIETY OF THE SOUTH CAROLINA CONFERENCE FOR 1843.

It has been the custom of the Board of Managers of the Missionary Society to Report from year to year, the progress of the works with which they are more immediately connected. And in doing so, they have had abundant cause of gratitude to God, for His gracious protection of the field of labour, and for the very signal success which has crowned it.

The Missionary field which is particularly committed to the South Carolina Conference, is one of the humblest, and at the same time one of the most interesting and important. It is true, we bring no spoils from distant lands, nor have we the classic associations of a high antiquity, to give interest to the scene of our missionary labors. This service is emphatically the service of the poor; and looks for its reward, not to the praise of man, but the approval of God.

For a long series of years, that large class of our population, the slaves, in many of the plantations, had no opportunity of religious instruction.—They lived and died of superstition and of sin. To the eye of the contemplative Christian, their condition was the most deplorable which could well be conceived. Ignorant of all worldly science, they were doomed to pass life's pilgrimage, the victims of constant apprehension and

fear; while wholly un instructed in the higher truths of religion, they could only look forward to death as terrible, and to the eternity beyond, of its shadows ever hung over their souls, as a wide and unknown waste of ages. If they did not bow down to the idols of their father-land, they worshipped they knew not what—if they were free from the vices of refined society, they were under the dominion of the darkest passions of a savage state. It was in this state of ignorance and wretchedness and sin, that the Gospel found them. Indeed, so debased were their intellectual and moral powers that many regarded the idea of their improvement as chimerical, and fancied that they were even beyond the reach of the Gospel itself. But the Gospel "is the power of God unto salvation to every one that believeth."

And now, after twelve years of missionary labor bestowed upon this most unpromising and uninviting field, we may with joy and thankfulness, exclaim, "What hath God wrought?" The aggregate number of those gathered into the fold of Christ, and now accepted members of our Church, as reported at our present session of the Conference, in these fields of missionary service, is more than six thousand; while many others have died in the faith, and passed to their better home. And how much brighter is the prospect before the succeeding generation of these lowly poor, when three thousand one hundred and thirty-two of their children are under the catechetical instruction of the Ministers of Christ.

The Board have cause of joy over another particular connected with this department of our work. When first the missions to the slaves were instituted, great fear existed, that from exposure to the miasma and noxious exhalations of large plantations, our missionaries might fall victims to their devotion and zeal. But God has been better to us than our fears. And the lives and health of our missionaries have been as safe as those of any other of our ministers. The God we serve, is the God of the lowlands as well as the mountains, and his power is adequate to the protection of his people wherever duty calls them.

Already has the success of missionary operations been producing a happy influence. The discretion of the brethren who have been employed in this work, has increased the public confidence, and wherever the experiment has been made, the effects have spoken. And now the call for more laborers is waxing louder and louder. The fields are already white to the harvest, and the only regret which the Board experience, is, that the means within their control, are not adequate to the entire work as spread out before them. For several years past, the missionary treasury has been embarrassed by debt, and the Board have been under the necessity of curtailing, as far as possible, the expenses of their operations. They trust, however, that as God is opening up the opportunities of more extensive usefulness before them, the Church will come up to their help, and furnish the facilities for the occupancy of every field.

The Board submit the following summary of the condition of the missions, as reported by the missionaries at the present Conference:—

1. Beaufort and Pocomah Mission has been served by Reverends Thomas E. Leadbetter and Andrew J. Green. This mission is represented as in a flourishing condition. It embraces 27 plantations, and contains 3 white and 640 colored Church members. About 477 children are under catechetical instruction. The Board recommend that this field be divided, as it formerly was, and that two missionaries be employed upon the Beaufort Mission.

2. Combahee and Ashepoo Mission has been under the care of the Rev. John R. Coburn. This Mission is also represented as prosperous, and

continuing to enjoy the confidence of the planters. It embraces 14 plantations with 874 Church members and about 350 children under instruction. The Board recommend that two preachers be employed on this mission also.

4. Pon Pon Mission has been under the charge of the Rev. Charles Wilson. It includes 10 plantations, and numbers 522 Church members, with 235 children catechised. This mission is likewise in a flourishing condition; and the Board recommend that an additional missionary be employed in this field.

4. South Santee Mission has been served by the Rev. M. Eady. There have been connected with this mission 5 plantations, 118 Church members and 70 children catechised. The Board advise the discontinuance of this mission, in consequence of the transfer of many of its members.

5. North Santee has been under the charge of the Rev. John R. Locke. The preacher on this mission having removed to Alabama, the Board have no statistical information respecting it. The presiding Elder represents it as in a very sound and healthful state. Last year's report gave 6 white and 528 colored members.

6. Cooper River Mission has been served by the Rev. William H. Flemming. It embraces 9 plantations with 16 white, and 700 colored members, and 110 children catechised. The Board regret that sufficient interest is not felt in this mission by those whose plantations are served.

7. Wateree Mission has been under the care of the Rev. William J. Jackson. It embraces 36 plantations, and 725 Church members, with 400 children catechised. This mission is represented as in a very flourishing condition. The Board recommend the employment of an additional missionary in this field.

8. Pee Dee Mission was under the care of the Rev. W. Clark. It is represented as in a good condition. It embraces 8 plantations, with 147 Church members, and 150 children catechised.

9. Black River and Pee Dee was under the care of Reverends A. Nettles and L. O'Neal. It comprises 18 plantations, having 850 Church members, and 249 children catechised.

10. Waccamaw Neck Mission has been served by Reverends J. A. Minnick and William Smith. It is represented as in a very good condition; and has 5 white and 504 colored Church members, and 528 children under regular catechetical instruction.

11. Sampit Mission contains 12 plantations, and has 178 Church members, and 300 children catechised. It has been under the care of the Rev. P. A. M. Williams, and is reported as in a prosperous state.

12. Cape Fear Mission has been served by the Rev. M. C. Turrentine. It embraces 24 plantations, with 42 white and 324 colored members, and 263 children catechised. This mission is also considered in a prosperous condition.

The Board strongly recommend the establishment of a mission to the slaves on Congaree, in the vicinity of Columbia.

REPORT OF THE TREASURER

OF THE SOUTH-CAROLINA CONFERENCE MISSIONARY SOCIETY.

H. A. C. Walker, *Treasurer* in account with the Missionary Society of the South Carolina Conference.

FROM MISSIONS.

February, 1843.

Dr.

North Santee, by Rev. H. Bass—Mrs. Horry, \$20; J. H. Ladson, Esq. 25; A. Johnson, Esq. 20; Messrs. R. & C. Loundes, 2; Major W. R.

Maxwell, 20; E. Frost, Esq. 25; J. R. Pringle, Esq. 20; Mrs. A. D. Loundes 20; Missionary Boxes of Master Benjamin A. Munnerlyn, Miss Emma Munnerlyn, and Master J. K. Munnerlyn, 80 cts.—\$170 80.

South-Santee, by Rev. H. Bass—A. V. Keene, Esq.—85.

Cooper River, by Rev. H. Bass—J. Vennings, Esq. 5; collection by Rev. W. H. Flemming, 6;—\$11.

Cape Fear, by Rev. M. C. Turrentine—Dr. F. J. Hill, 25; a Lady, 2 50; W. L. Hall, Esq. 10; T. G. Drew, Esq. 3; J. H. Waters, Esq. 20; J. G. Hall, Esq. 5; T. Greer, Esq. 3; Capt. S. Potter, Esq. 20; Dr. A. J. De Rossett, Jun. 10; Dr. J. D. Bellamy, 10; D. Godwin, Esq. 5; public collections, 10;—\$123 50.

Sampit, by Rev. P. A. M. Williams—F. Withers, Esq. \$300.

Black River and Pee Dee, by Rev. A. Nettles—Hon. J. R. Polk, 20; T. Axton, Sen. Esq. 15; R. H. Collins, Esq. 10; T. B. Hamline, Esq. 5; Capt. J. H. Allston, 30; E. P. Coachman, Esq. 5; Mrs. McDonald, 5; P. Weston, Esq. 10; E. McDonald, 1; Col. R. F. W. Allston, 50; Dr. J. R. Sparkman, 10; W. E. Sparkman, Esq. 5; P. W. Frasier, Esq. 20; W. G. Leandreux, 5; Col. B. F. Hunt, 15; ——— Pringle, Esq. 25; W. G. Bellamy, Esq. 5; A. B. Jayroe, Esq. 5; J. W. Smith, 1 25; H. R. Hennesey 50 cts.; several persons, 3 75;—\$246 50.

Wateree, by the Rev. W. J. Jackson—Maj. J. M. Decussure, 50; J. C. Dohy, Esq. (for 1841, 20; for 1842, 20) 40; L. Boyken, Esq. and Feb., 20; Messrs. H. C. and M. H. C. on, 20; M. S. Harriet English, 10; J. C. Little, Esq. 10; Col. J. Chesnut, Sen. 10; Mrs. Ellen Chesnut, 10; J. W. Arthur, 5; Dr. J. B. Jennings, 5; Mrs. Mary McRea, 20; Capt. Thomas Lang, 25; several persons, 8;—\$233.

Congaree and Ashpoon, by Rev. J. R. Coburn—Hon. T. Loundes, 100; Hon. R. B. Rhett, 100; N. Hayward, Esq. 50; Estate of W. M. Smith, 40; J. G. Godfrey, Esq. 25; Mrs. J. L. Gibbs, 25; Mrs. M. H. Hayward, 15; T. M. Rhett, Esq. 15; Master J. R. Coburn and Miss M. A. Coburn's little missionary boxes, 7 00; Lydia, Mr. C.'s servant, 5;—\$32 00.

Waccamaw Neck, by Rev. J. A. Minnick—Col. J. J. Ward, 100; W. A. Allston, Esq. 100; C. Allston, 100; Col. T. A. Allston, 50; Col. Arthur P. Allston, 20; Mr. and Mrs. H. J. Thompson, 7;—\$357.

Pee Dee, by Rev. C. Bett—J. Gibson, Esq. 50; Major W. H. Cannon, by Rev. W. C. Clarke, 20; J. McClanahan, Esq. 10; colored persons, 3;—\$83.

Pon Pon, by Rev. C. Wilson—W. Aiken, Esq. 150; Col. L. Morris, 50; Mrs. Ann Morris, 50; Charles Baring, 150;—\$400.

Beaufort and Pocomtiga, by Rev. T. E. Leavelle—Dr. T. Fuller, 35; T. O. Barnwell, Esq. 13; Mrs. M. Stewart, 30; Mrs. J. G. Barnwell, 20; Misses Ann and Emily Barnwell, 22; Mr. R. Mea, s. 20; Dr. B. B. Sans, 20; Rev. S. Elliott, Sen. 50; Miss Maria Hubersham, 25; Thomas Fuller, Esq. 12; Capt. E. Barnwell, 20; H. Stuart, Esq. 25; R. Chisolm, Esq. 140;—\$422.—Total, \$3503 86.

FROM AUXILIARY SOCIETIES.

Treasurer Wadesboro' Missionary Society, by the Rev. S. W. Capers, \$246; Georgetown Missionary Society, by Rev. S. Leard, 25 31; Wilmington Missionary Society, by J. Stacy, 57 19; Camden Ladies' Missionary Society, by Rev. W. Millard, Treasurer, 9 95; Fayetteville Juvenile Missionary Society, by H. G. Hall, Treasurer, 13; Charleston Capers Missionary Society of Colored Men, 85 75; Charleston Free Colored Female Missionary Society, 84 81; Charleston Juvenile Colored Missionary Society, 33 25; Chesterfield Missionary Society, by Rev. J. M. Bradley, 7 30; Rockingham, by Rev. J. M. Potter, 147 35; by do. B. T. Miss, and S. S.

Soc. by do. from Texas, 238, 170 43; Pleasant Grove, for relief of the Missionary Treasury, by Rev. J. Watts, 50; do. by do. 89 20, 139 20; Cumberland, by Rev. C. McLeod, 23 25; Santee, by J. W. Wellborn, viz. Sumterville, 35 43; Gethsemane, 4 04; Oak Grove, 17 18; Brouhah, 1 62; St. Marks, 12 50; Rohoboth, 22; St. Pauls, 35 40; Hebron, 10 50; Pine Log, 16; Lodebar, 7; Reamert's, 15 31; Clarks, 6 50; Sardis, 1 75; St. Lukes, 17; N. Salem, 6; Providence, 15 67; Bethlehem, 13 65; Bethany, 11 60; St. John's, 15 77; Colored people at Sumterville, 4 37; do. at St. Pauls, 15 60;—22 04; Black River, by A. W. Walker, 70; Camden, by Rev. W. C. Kirkland, 59 25; Cokesbury Female Missionary Society, by Mrs. Turpin, 59; Marion, by Rev. W. A. McSwain, viz. Moody's, 1; Miller's 50; Clio, 12 25; Damascus, 10; Bethlehem, 5; Macedonia, 3 75; Ark, 2 50; Old Neck, 6; Shiloh, 1 50; Marion, 8 75; Ariel, 6; Liberty Chapel, 4; Tabernacle, 5; Sundry persons, 7 57, 77 60; Black Swamp, by Rev. J. H. Wheeler, 171 41; Greenville and Hopewell, by Rev. T. S. Daniel, 7; Union, by Rev. Allen McCorquodale, 141 25; Laurens, by Rev. G. W. Moore, 121 40; Centre, by M. L. McKimzie, Treas. Centre, 17 75; Emory, 2 42; Taber, 70; Keshah, 4 50; New Chapel, 3 12; N. Hope, 1 20; Mt. Harmony, 7 57; Zion, 1 57; Mt. Zion, 35; Union, 1 10; Mt. Pleasant, 8 27; Liberty, 25; Salem, 1 45; Bethel, 2 60; Concord, 5 70; Carmel, 50; Stony Hill, 3 35; Rantals, 3 50; Ashbury, 1 12; Bethesda, 70; Collections, 8 64, 76 97; Waterboro', by Rev. C. Murchison, 137 12; Columbia, by Rev. W. S. Hixon, 23 62; Charleston, for relief of missionary treasury, by Rev. H. Bass, 121 14; do. balance by Rev. B. English, 56 30; Black Swamp, for relief of missionary Treasury, by Rev. H. Bass, 68 89; do. by do. 219 31; Waterboro', by do. 123 62, do. do. for relief of missionary treasury, 94 48; 218 10; Orangeburg, by do. Cypress, by Rev. H. Bass, 173 79; Charleston Juvenile Missionary Society, by John W. Stoy, Esq., 32; Cokesbury, by Rev. R. J. Boyd, 344; Columbia, (balance) by Rev. W. Smith, 203 89.—\$3709 76.

COLLECTIONS ON CIRCUITS AND STATIONS.

Aiken Circuit, by Rev. N. Talley, \$11 25; Columbia, colored people, by Rev. W. Smith, 58 84; Charlotte, by Rev. C. H. Pritchard, 23 75; do. colored people by do. 26 10; 49 85; Cheraw, (20 of which to constitute brother D. Derrick a life member of the Parent Society, and 10 to constitute Rev. W. P. Mouzon a life member of the South Carolina Conference missionary society, by Rev. W. P. Mouzon, 87 70; Smithville, by Rev. T. Huggins, 23; Waterboro', by Rev. D. McDaniel, 80 12; do. for relief of missionary treasury, 11; 99 12; Yorkville, by Rev. C. S. Walker, 30 23; Barnwell, by Rev. W. G. Patterson, 35; Charleston Neck, by Rev. J. Nipper, viz: Public collections, 11 21; cent collections, 2 56, through J. Johnson, 2 75; through M. A. Bassett, 5, 21 52; collected in a monthly prayer meeting, Bennettville, by Rev. A. W. Walker, 3 75; Pendleton, by Rev. A. B. McGilvray, 43 18; Lenoir, by Rev. T. W. Harrison, 5; Camden, colored people, by Rev. W. C. Kirkland, 27 06; do. for relief of missionary treasury, by do. 25; Lancaster, by Rev. D. W. Seale, viz: Lancasterville, 23; Camp Creek, 200; Ebenezer, 30 cts., Stratford 2; Hanging Rock, 50 cent.; Salem, 1 47; Tabernacle, 78 cents; Zion, 1 70; 32 02; Lenoirville, by Rev. W. A. Gamewell, 69 10; collected by Mrs. Crook, 6 50; 75 60; Greenville, by Rev. T. S. Daniel, viz: Bethel, 3 80; Salem, 1 50; Concord 1; Zion, 70 cts.; Foster's, 2 33; Shiloh 8 12; 17 92; Deep River, by Rev. S. Jones, 60 75; Edgefield, by Rev. S. Dunwoody, 95 75; Fayetteville, by Rev. J. B. Anthony, 13 30; do. for relief of missionary treasury, by J. B. Anthony, 32; 45 30; Shelby, by brother J. A. McMackin, 21; Cooper River, by Rev. A. M. Christburg, 35; Conwayboro', by Rev. S.

D. Laney, viz: John Brantly 1; W. L. Philips, 5; Col. S. G. Singleton, 1; J. Durant, 1; Mrs. E. B. Brantly, 1, P. Vaught, 1; for relief of missionary treasury, 2 46; 12 46; Darlington, by Rev. L. Scarborough, 25; Spar-tanburg, by Rev. S. Townsend, 62 60; do. for relief of missionary treasury, 6 25; 74 85; Montgomery, by Rev. S. W. Daves, 81 47; Charlotte, by M. Robins, 86 41; Rutherfordton, by Rev. C. A. Crowell, 36 29; Newberry, by Rev. J. P. Zimmerman, 192; Darlington, by Rev. A. M. Forster, 6 71; Darlington, by Rev. A. M. Forster, for relief of missionary treasury, 15 44; Waterboro', by Rev. C. Murchison, 94 48; Orangeburg, by Rev. J. W. Townsend, 113 40; Morganton, by Rev. J. P. Kirton, 375; Bladen, by Rev. M. A. McKibben, 34; Orangeburg, for relief of missionary treasury, by Rev. H. Bass, 98 50; Cypress, for relief of missionary treasury, by Rev. H. Bass, 16; Barnwell, do. do. 25; Cokesbury, balance cent a week collection, by Rev. R. J. Boyd, 105 37; do. prayer meeting collections, by do. 11 12.—Total \$1936 19.

DONATIONS.

Mrs. S. E. Walker, (avails of industry,) to constitute her husband, Rev. H. A. C. Walker, a life member of the Parent Society, \$20. Mrs. Mary Blackeney, by Rev. J. M. Bradley, 5; Sunday School children of Columbia, for Foreign Missions, 10, do. for Domestic Missions, 14 24; avails of jewelry, through Mr. John Veal, 7; a lady, by Rev. D. G. McDaniel, 10; Miss L. H. Richardson, by Rev. J. Wellborn, 25; do. for relief of missionary treasury, 5; Rev. J. W. Wellborn, do. 5; Rev. W. Lewis, do. by do. 5; Mrs. Martha Davis, 5; Rev. J. W. Wightman, 5; Rev. Thomas Berry, 50 cts., 50 50; Mrs. M. L. Friday, by Rev. J. Nipper, 2; Charles Derry, 50 cts., 50 50; Mrs. M. S. S. Jackson, by Rev. W. J. ex, 75 cts., donation 25 cts., 3; Mrs. M. S. S. Jackson, by Rev. W. J. Jackson, 5; Camden, Sunday School Missionary box, 15; savings of Misses Mary B. and Agness H. Crook, 50 cts., Misses M. C. and S. F. F. Dewe, avails of needle work, 8, P. McGilvray, by Rev. J. H. Massay, 13; Missionary charity church cent a week collections, by Rev. J. H. Massay, 13; Missionary box, kept in a sick room, by Mrs. Isabella E. Deas, 35; Rev. J. R. Felder, a local preacher's proposition, by Rev. W. M. Wightman, 10; Rev. J. H. Treadwell, by do. 10, W. Ashly, Aiken, ct. by do. 5; Mrs. Anderson, Cokesbury, 5; C. A. Graeser, Columbia, 5 25; Mrs. M. H. Heyward, by J. H. Wheeler, for Foreign Missions, 2 50; Mr. Leonard, 1; W. Bates, J. Gilstrap's children, 63 cts. Mr. Weaver's children, 50 cents, Rev. D. Hilliard's children, 1 37; by Rev. T. S. Daniel, 4 50; legacy of Mrs. Mar-Blackledge, of Cypress ct. by R. R. Fralick, executor for African Mission through Rev. W. Capers, D. D. 500; Ladies' Working Society, Darlington by Rev. A. M. Foster, 13 50; Mrs. Agnes Leadbetter, (78 years of age) avails of patch quilt making and knitting, 35; her servant Amey, 50 cts 35 50; Mrs. A. M. Davis, by Rev. J. N. Davis, 10; Simon Beckham Esq., 5; Mrs. M. Gibson, Darlington, for Indian missions, by Rev. A. M. Forster, 100; J. McCall, Esq. 25, 125; Miss Mary F. Branch, (3 years of age), contents of a missionary box, \$10.—Total, \$942.

PROPORTION OF CENTENARY COLLECTIONS.

From Rev. James Stacy, Chairman of the Centenary Committee, \$15 46.

LIFE SUBSCRIBERS.

Rev. B. Wofford, to make Mrs. Wofford, a life member, \$10.
CONTRIBUTED AT THE ANNIVERSARY HELD AT COKE-BURY.

To support a Missionary to Goulah, in Africa, the following persons contributed each \$10, viz: C. Betts, J. M. Bradley, R. J. Boyd, Whitefoot.

Smith, W. Capers, W. L. Pegues, J. Stacy, C. H. Pritchard, T. S. Daniel, M. Eady, M. J. Williams, B. English, J. W. Wightman, H. Bass, S. M. Green, Mrs. E. F. Williams, Dr. I. Branch, T. E. Leadbetter, L. Smith, J. W. Wellborn, Mrs. A. E. Torpin, N. A. Talley, A. Hoyle, Dr. F. Branch, Mrs. H. A. C. Walker, C. Smith, Miss A. W. Wightman, T. W. Wheeler, Mrs. E. H. McGilvray, Mrs. H. Ogburn, D. Seale, Mrs. W. M. Wightman, Mrs. E. W. Shipp, by a friend, to make C. A. Crowell a life member of the S. Ca. Conference, Mrs. Schenck, M. M. Michau, Robert Davis, S. Herndon, Miss Payne, 390. For the same object, T. W. Williams, 20; J. H. Wheeler, 50; 70. For the same object, the following persons contributed each \$5, viz:—S. Jones, J. A. Minick, J. Nipper, D. G. McDaniel, Miss Carter, W. A. McSvain, L. Scarborough, Mrs. A. A. Talley, A. Nettles, Mrs. N. Hoyle, L. Little, Mrs. M. A. Gory, Dr. J. L. Anderson, P. W. Conner, each 10; Mrs. S. C. Gilman, J. A. Porter, T. A. Conner, Capt. C. Smith, Mrs. Doct. Thomas, C. Taylor, C. A. Crowell, Dr. Holland, J. W. Stov, Mrs. C. V. Barnes, 125. Ten students of Cokesbury School, 10. —\$595.

To educate an African boy one year, to be named Daniel Cleary Thomas, and to constitute John F. Arnold, Wm. Edward Hayne, Arthur and Mary Ann Thomas, life members of the Missionary Society of the So. Ca. Conference. —\$30.

To educate an African child one year, and name him Francis Cokesbury, the following persons contributed \$1 each, viz: H. A. C. Walker, Whiteford Smith, M. Eady, J. W. Townsend, J. H. Wheeler, S. P. Taylor, A. J. Weems, W. Lyon, J. F. Smith, W. Crook, H. A. Bass, G. R. Talley, J. R. Coburn, C. Murchison, J. Parker, W. H. Brunson, J. Moore, I. L. Potter, S. Dunwoody, W. C. Patterson, H. H. Crowell, J. Watts, J. N. Davis, H. W. Leadbetter, and T. W. Williams, 5. —\$30.

To educate an African child one year, and name him James Ezekiel Evans, the following persons contributed each \$1, viz: Wm. M. Wightman, \$2; S. W. Capers, W. L. Pegues, N. Talley, J. N. Davis, J. F. Smith, J. W. Wightman, S. Wright, J. W. Wellborn, G. R. Talley, S. Townsend, C. Murchison, C. Betts, W. S. Haltom, R. J. Boyd, C. A. Crowell, J. H. Gibbs, and G. W. Huckabee, \$5; G. W. Hodges, 3; W. C. Clarke, 3; W. Capers, 2; A. M. Chriezburg, 2 33. From thirty students of Cokesbury School, to educate an African child one year, and name him Robert Jones Boyd, 30. —\$63.

A Friend to Missions 5; Rev. J. E. Evans, 5. Public collection, 80 12 cents. —\$808 12.

RECAPITULATION.

From Missions,	-	-	-	\$2603 86
Auxiliary Societies,	-	-	-	3709 76
Circuits and Stations,	-	-	-	1903 57
Donations,	-	-	-	942 00
Proportion of Centenary collections,	-	-	-	157 46
Life Subscriber,	-	-	-	10 00
Annual subscriptions,	-	-	-	21 00
Contributed at the Anniversary held at Cokesbury,	-	-	-	808 12
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Feb. 8. By legacy of Mrs. Blackledge, forwarded through Dr. Capers, to Rev. G. Lane, Treasurer Missionary Society, of Methodist Episcopal Church.

\$500 00

Feb. 8, Payment of two orders from last year, held by Rev. H. Bass, and which he could not succeed in collecting,	115 00
" Payment on do. do. do.	30 00
" Payment in part of Missionary draft, for support of Missions, in Charleston District, last year, in favor of Rev. H. Bass,	1212 50
" Payment in part of the salary of the Missionary Secretary of the Southern Conferences for the current year,	403 80
" To this amount contributed on Cape Fear Mission, and by direction of the donors paid over to the missionary.	123 50
" Postage and stationary,	2 12
" Drafts paid by Treasurer,	4398 50
" Cash in hand,	3490 50
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H. A. C. WALKER, Treasurer.

N. B. For the entire amount collected within the Conference district for the support of missions for the year 1842, reference must be had to the answer in the minutes. The reason of the discrepancy between the amount and the one here stated is this: in the former the *entire amount* (whether sent to the Treasurer of the Parent Society at New-York during the year, or brought up to Conference) collected by the preachers and others is set down; while in the latter the *cash only* coming into the hands of the Treasurer of the Conference Missionary Society is entered.

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NOTE.—The following persons were constituted life members at the anniversary meeting, by amounts appropriated to the objects stated in the foregoing account, viz:—I. L. Potter, Mrs. H. Ogburn, Miss A. W. Wightman, C. A. Crowell, Mrs. E. W. Shipp, Master H. Kennedy, Master N. A. Talley, Master J. L. Hoyle, Mrs. M. V. Branch, Mrs. A. Wheaton, A. M. Shipp, Mrs. F. Branch, H. Schenck, M. M. Michau, Mrs. E. F. Stacy, Master T. W. Wheeler; and Chas. Manship was constituted a life member at the Conference held at Charlotte. J. H. Wheeler was constituted a life member of the Parent Society, (in the same way,) by T. W. Williams.

FUND OF SPECIAL RELIEF.

Trustees.—W. Capers, Chairman; B. English, Treasurer; N. Talley, Secretary; S. Dunwoody, H. Bass, D. Derrick, and W. Crook.

The Trustees of this Fund reported to Conference the following appropriations, which were confirmed:

To Mrs. Gamewell,	-	-	-	\$25 00
Mrs. Spain,	-	-	-	25 00
Mrs. Hartley,	-	-	-	25 00
Mrs. Morgan,	-	-	-	24 75
Mrs. C. G. Hill,	-	-	-	30 00
Mrs. James Hill,	-	-	-	15 00
Mrs. Dawson,	-	-	-	15 00
To Rev. John Mood,	-	-	-	25 00
Rev. John Newell,	-	-	-	20 00
Rev. L. Garrison,	-	-	-	20 00
Rev. P. Elrod,	-	-	-	15 00
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THE TRUST,

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

Board of Trustees.—W. M. Wightman, Chairman; R. J. Boyd, Secretary; Thos. E. Leadbetter, Treasurer; D. Derrick, H. A. C. Walker, and J. W. Townsend, Managers.

EXTRA ALLOWANCES.

COMMITTEE'S REPORT.—“The amount of monies that have come into your committee's hands, and the manner in which it has been appropriated, is as follows:—We have received

From Ladies Working Society of Charleston, S. C.	\$92 69
“ Cheraw,	6 25
“ Mrs. Ann M. Davis,	19 00
“ Wilmington, N. C.	5 10
“ Marion,	2 15
“ Cokesbuay,	10 00
“ Orangeburg,	10 06
“ Black River,	1 81
“ Black Swamp,	6 37
“ Shelby,	26
“ Edgefield,	50
Balance from Conference Stewards,	1 00

Paid to Widow and Orphans of Rev. A. McPherson,	\$146 20
“ “ “ “ A. Morgan,	\$36 55
“ “ “ “ C. G. Hill,	36 55
“ “ “ “ J. Gamewell,	36 55

They recommend that three hundred dollars be raised the ensuing year, for necessitous cases.

PASTORAL LETTER,

TO THE MEMBERS OF THE METHODIST EPISCOPAL CHURCH UNDER
THE PASTORAL CARE OF THE SOUTH-CAROLINA CONFERENCE:

Beloved Brethren,—At the close of another session of Conference, we gladly renew, by this letter, our affectionate greetings, and give expression to the fervent love and willing zeal with which we feel ourselves to be, with all our hearts, devoted to our service.

The past year, marked though it has been, for pecuniary embarrassments, has been one of uncommon spiritual prosperity. This has been manifested in the great and numerous revivals with which many parts of our work have been visited, and the large increase of the membership of the church. For while in our own Conference district, the increase of the members during the year has amounted to four thousand seven hundred and fifty

our. we are enabled to rejoice over an aggregate nett increase of more than one hundred and twenty thousand in all the Conferences. This calls for devout thanksgivings; and the more for the goodness of God in the general peace which pervades our borders. Except one spot, in New England, our church enjoys great tranquillity, and the spirit of Christian union and brotherly love appears to be as prevalent as at any former period.—As our numbers increase, (and we now exceed a million of members,) the danger of schism must naturally be increased also; and the greater care ought to be taken to cultivate the unity of the Spirit in the bond of peace. In order to this, it is important, that while we hold fast to fundamental principles, we exercise a spirit of Christian forbearance, which allows a diversity of opinion in unessential things; and also, that we be so impressed with the value of peace and unity, as to be ready to make any reasonable sacrifice to promote them. Conscience must be held inviolate; but there are many matters of taste and educational prejudice, which long indulged, come in time to be regarded as points of conscience; and here great care should be taken to discriminate between the command of God, and the tastes, or opinions, or prejudices of men.

We have another cause of rejoicing and thankfulness in the increase of Missionary contributions within the bounds of our Conference district the past year, over any former one. This we regard chiefly as the result of the systematic efforts so strongly recommended a year ago; and by which it was intended that every member of the church should be brought to feel a lively interest in this department of Christian duty, and to bear a part, however small, in the great work of spreading the Gospel of Christ to the ends of the earth. And may we not trust, brethren, that while a due regard to this most Christian duty prevails, and the members of the church, with increasing unanimity, render to the Gospel the support it requires for its universal promulgation, the effect shall be a growing concern that themselves and their families may share richly in its precious blessings.

Family Religion cannot be too strongly inculcated. Charity does its very deed, begin at home. To the force of example in your daily conversation, add your endeavors to teach your children, with untiring pains, the way they ought to go. Let them always see in you a spirit, answering your profession, which honors godliness above worldly gain, and is chiefly careful for their souls' salvation. Let the sacrifice of morning and evening prayers, and reading the Scriptures be continually and reverently observed; and let it be an act of family worship strictly, in which all the members of the family should unite. Avail yourselves of the benefits of Sunday School instruction, particularly for your younger children; and make provision to have them all with you in the public worship. We exhort, also, that you show like fidelity in your duty to your servants; and that you both encourage

them to attend public worship with you, and provide for them that they may have a portion in the house of God.

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During our Conference deliberations, we have been led to examine with deep solicitude, the present position of the church in relation to her distinctive institutions; for we cannot but be sensible how much our success, as a people, has depended on our denominational peculiarities. And on this occasion, as on every former one, in the light of Scripture and experience, we are the more persuaded of the importance of adhering closely to our original landmarks. We have resolved, under renewed convictions of duty, to allow no ordinary cause to prevent the regular and constant meeting of the classes by the preachers at all the circuit appointments; and to insist, with most affectionate earnestness, that you forsake not the assembling of yourselves together for this most profitable exercise of Christian fellowship.—Our whole experience proves the great importance of this particular means of grace to the preservation of a sound and healthful state of religion among us. We have no controversy with sister churches, but of this, we know for ourselves.

Of the sacraments, both Baptism and the Lord's Supper, we need say nothing to incite you to their due observance. Parents should feel it a sacred obligation to take an early opportunity to present their children at the altar for baptism; and to do this without respect to preferences sometimes entertained for favorite ministers—as if so high a duty might for such a reason be deferred without offence. And in all our circuits, the stewards should regard it a bounden duty to provide the elements for the administration of the sacraments of the Lord's Supper quarterly in every church.

We cannot but repeat the admonition and exhortation of a former year with respect to the careful and holy observance of the Christian Sabbath. It is much to be feared that a proper reverence is not always felt for the Lord's day. Ordinary travelling should be especially avoided, and every effort used to consecrate, both by ourselves and those in our service, the entire day. Even our thoughts should be held captive, and no worldly cares permitted to intrude upon the sanctity of this day of rest.

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We would also exhort you, brethren, to avoid conformity to the world, in its maxims, fashions or spirit. In a time of general pecuniary embarrassment, shun every temptation to fraud or oppression. Let a forbearing and merciful spirit be cherished, and let none of us seek our own, but every man another's wealth. It is to be deplored that, among all classes, the pressure of the times has not been met with a becoming forbearance, and instances there have been of a grievous dereliction. The temptation to gain by usury, has proved too strong for some, and the sympathy and charity of our Christian character has been paralyzed by covetousness; and some others, driven to desperate adventures, to escape impending ruin, have both lost their for-

tunes, and exhibited a strange insensibility to all the force of moral obligation. Such tunes require the strictest adherence to the nicest rule of right, as the only safeguard for character or property, morals or religion.

We have mentioned the Missions. We cannot but feel how sacredly we are bound to sustain and extend them. Those which have been instituted within our borders, we regard as an extension of our circuit plan, in a peculiar form, accommodated to the work. And those abroad, contemplate nothing less than the introduction and establishment of the same principles and form of Christianity, in other countries as in our own. Both departments (the home and foreign missions) are, perhaps, of equal interest and obligation. The Church, the entire Church, is debtor to all, to whom in the providence of God, a way is open for the introduction of the Gospel. And of this debt of the Church, how great is the amount! How have men slept, while the Master's heritage has been polluted with the *tares* of the enemy! The measure of our duty in this great work of the evangelization of the nation—the grand object of the constitution of the Church—is only to be determined by the indications of God's providence. How far we can go, and ought to go, and how much we can do, and ought to do in it, we can never know in any other way than by humbly following in the work of faith as He directs. "The earth is the Lord's, and the fulness thereof; the world and they that dwell therein." "The kings of Tarshish and of the Isles shall bring presents; the kings of Sheba and Seba shall offer gifts." The church is the repository of the means of grace for all mankind. Christ has not forgot "the travail of his soul," and cannot be indifferent to the conversion of the nations. If there is help with God for any labor upon earth, there must be for this; and He will bless it and make it to prosper for his name's sake. And surely, if it is true with respect to any interest upon earth, that "there is that scattereth and yet increaseth; and there is that withholdeth more than is meet, but it tendeth to poverty," it must be pre-eminently so with respect to the pains and cost of the work of missions. We congratulate you, brethren, with sincere pleasure, on the amount of your contributions the past year. We hail you, with rejoicing, in the front rank of the American division of Wesleyan Methodists, in this battle of the Lord against the mighty.—Maintain your position, and fall not back. Let the collections be universal in all the classes, the stronger helping the weaker, till every individual, rich or poor, old or young, male or female, free or bond, shall be numbered with those who pray in sincerity, and with Christian consistency, "THY KINGDOM COME; THY WILL BE DONE IN EARTH AS IT IS IN HEAVEN." Therefore as ye abound in every thing in faith, and utterance, and knowledge, and in all diligence, and in your love to us, see that ye abound in this grace also." "And God is able to make all grace abound towards you, that ye, always having all sufficiency in all

things, may abound to every good work." "Being enriched in every thing to all bountifulness, which causeth, through us, thanksgiving to God."

Signed in behalf of the Conference,

JAMES OSGOOD ANDREW, *President.*

JOSEPH H. WHEELER, *Secretary.*

Cokesbury, February 14, 1843.

"Minutes" of Conference
held in Georgetown, Feb 7, 1844.
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