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# Minutes

of the

## South Carolina Annual Conference

of ministers of the

## Methodist Episcopal Church, South

Dec. 18, 1850

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MINUTES

*of the Sixty-fifth Session*

OF THE

SOUTH CAROLINA CONFERENCE,

OF THE

METHODIST E. CHURCH, SOUTH,

FOR THE YEAR ENDING DECEMBER

*held at Wadesboro, N.C. December 18, 1850.*  
1850.

TO WHICH ARE ADDED, THE

REPORT OF THE MISSIONARY SOCIETY, &c.

PUBLISHED BY ORDER OF THE CONFERENCE.

CHARLESTON:

OFFICE OF THE SOUTHERN CHRISTIAN ADVOCATE, 29 PINCKNEY-STREET.

1851.

13. What numbers are in Society? and what Report have we from our Sunday Schools?

CIRCUITS AND STATIONS.	Local Elders.	Local Deacons.	Minist'rs.	Whites.	Colored.	Amount raised for Missions.	Amount raised for S. School Books.	No. of Schools.	Superintendents.	Teachers.	Children.	Vols in Library.	Bibles and Test's Distributed.	Amount raised for Conference Collections.
<b>CHARLESTON DISTRICT.</b>														
Cumberland	1	1	1	200	1245	255 00	15 50	2	3	32	651	650		100 00
Trinity	1	1	3	321	1773	702 00	29 30	1	2	18	125	735		70 00
Bethel	1	1	1	166	1465	206 81	140 00	2	3	21	185	900		42 35
St. James				107	177	33 62	4 87	1	1	5	43			10 35
Black Swamp	2	1	2	525	827	558 00		6	6	23	130		28	124 50
Walterboro	1	1	4	733	810	201 00	3 25	4	4	15	108			44 25
Orangeburgh	3	3	3	721	1003	523 11		1	2	6	20			56 50
Cypress	3	2	4	1179	1025	921 33	21 50	14	15	56	328			60 44
Cooper River	4	4	1	528	942	311 00		2	2	8	50			40 00
Savannah River Mission				11	565	163 34								
Edisto Island	do				581	430 00								
Beaufort & Pr. Wm's	do			17	354	341 00		1	1	2	20			
Pon Pon	do				879									
Combahee & Ashpoo	do				911	4 1 00								
Cooper River	do				703	176 0								
Okatie	do			11	158	220 00								
St. Andrews	do			6	125									
<b>Total</b>	<b>16</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>16</b>	<b>4525</b>	<b>13522</b>	<b>4905 26</b>	<b>214 43</b>	<b>34</b>	<b>39</b>	<b>186</b>	<b>1660</b>	<b>2785</b>	<b>36</b>	<b>548 39</b>
<b>COKESBURY DISTRICT.</b>														
Cokesbury	8	3	2	984	1238	719 83	11 75	3	3	19	172	650	11	178 85
Edgefield	3	2	3	726	83	298 95		4	4	10	70			91 25
Pendleton	3	1	3	903	229	45 00		5	5	100	175			1 20
Greenville Station				93	201	53 00	13 00	1	2	11	56	650		8 50
Greenville Circuit	1	2	1	821	143	22 62	23 00	10	10	49	301	402	40	5 00
Union	2	3	2	966	726	5 25	3 50	9	9	45	251			80 55
Laurens	2	3	1	712	305	184 30		8	7	31	221			34 19
Newberry	2	2	2	665	1020	186 00		9	7	25	178	300		76 00
Pickens	1			414	45	12 00		10	11	44	320		12	4 00
Paris Mountain	1			438	48	37 00		4	4	20	13			2 00
Mt. Tryon				176	14	70 30								
<b>Total</b>	<b>19</b>	<b>18</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>6892</b>	<b>5005</b>	<b>1634 35</b>	<b>51 25</b>	<b>63</b>	<b>62</b>	<b>254</b>	<b>1793</b>	<b>2177</b>	<b>63</b>	<b>481 54</b>
<b>COLUMBIA DISTRICT.</b>														
Columbia	1	1	1	336	511	316 75	40 24	2	3	30	209	633		63 25
Columbia Circuit	2	1		310	324	72 00	24 11	9	9	22	264	230	86	42 00
Barnwell	4	4	4	504	595	176 25		4	4	15	115	200	37	66 45
Sumterville	1	5	5	789	1528	284 00	6 00	7	7	33	194			52 50
Winnsboro	1	1	1	781	890	423 30		12	12	52	238			113 00
Lancaster	1	2	2	540	589	113 30	15 60	3	6	11	78	70	15	12 19
Lexington	1	3		485	324	146 10		9	9	32	259	289	21	42 62
Camden	1			76	346	120 70	11 80	1	1	5	30	275		36 50
Darlington	1	10	4	957	700	308 46	15 00	5	5	31	183	345	6	65 10
Santee	1	1	1	340	1235	63 50	2 50	3	3	6	50	50		21 00
Graniteville Mission				76	13	63 00	8 90	1	1	9	80	350		
Congaree	do			19	276	409 65								
Waterce	do			45	810	389 50								
St. Matthews	do			117		50 00								
<b>Total</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>21</b>	<b>17</b>	<b>5316</b>	<b>8256</b>	<b>2920 91</b>	<b>124 15</b>	<b>46</b>	<b>60</b>	<b>226</b>	<b>1700</b>	<b>2445</b>	<b>165</b>	<b>544 61</b>
<b>WILMINGTON DISTRICT.</b>														
Conwayboro	1		5	719	202			3	2	7	64			3 00
Georgetown	1	1		153	899	119 0	25 00	1	1	8	37	290		63 78
Black River	1	4	1	800	1119	38 10	15 00	5	5	19	148		30	18 82
Marion	6	6	8	1086	858	212 00	18 50	6	9	27	190	339	30	58 60
North Santee Mission					78	240 00								
Black River & Pee Dee	do			82	1206	347 00								
Waccamaw Neck	do			15	487	543 12								
Sampit	do				255	480 00								
<b>Total</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>2855</b>	<b>5704</b>	<b>1979 22</b>	<b>88 50</b>	<b>15</b>	<b>17</b>	<b>61</b>	<b>439</b>	<b>629</b>	<b>60</b>	<b>144 20</b>
<b>FAYETTEVILLE DISTRICT.</b>														
Chesterfield	2		2	670	309	210 58	28 75	16	20	83	421	300	48	19 85
Wadesboro	2	4	2	936	461	1005 90		5	5	22	115	725		176 21
Bennettsville	1	5	4	760	346	377 55	5 00	5	5	29	183	150		53 25
Cheraw				99	194	136 00	5 50	1	1	7	43	259	3	23 00
Albemarle	2		1	710	148	147 6		6	5	20	167			16 88
Cheraw Mission					211									
Society Hill	do			18	205	95 00								
<b>Total</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>3193</b>	<b>1874</b>	<b>1972 71</b>	<b>39 25</b>	<b>33</b>	<b>36</b>	<b>161</b>	<b>929</b>	<b>1434</b>	<b>51</b>	<b>289 19</b>

CIRCUITS AND STATIONS.	Local Elders.	Local Deacons.	Minist'rs.	Whites.	Colored.	Amount raised for Missions.	Amount raised for S. School Books.	No. of Schools.	Superintendents.	Teachers.	Children.	Vols in Library.	Bibles and Test's Distributed.	Amount raised for Conference Collections.
<b>LINCOLN DISTRICT.</b>														
Charlotte				81	113	55 75	25 00	1	1	13	73	585		16 35
Concord				589	27	276 00	10 00	6	8	24	175			33 30
Lincolnton	4			943	452	40 50	6 00	6	6	20	250			23 50
Yorkville				398	391	30 00	32 00	1	1	6	63	400		20 00
Spartanburgh				111	90	317 28	10 00	1	1	8	61	400		24 25
Spartanburgh Circuit	1	1	2	610	203	28 50		7	10	35	182			12 05
Rutherford	3		2	763	279	35 83		6	13	29	253	630	5	10 25
Shelbyville	1		2	583	124	46 00		7	8	33	233			8 15
Charlotte Circuit			1	1083	529	168 00	14 00	5	5	10	190			15 00
Catawba			3	578	78	14 80		3	4	11	125			
Morgantown			2	617	358	36 00		9	9	45	214			7 00
Lenoir			3	933	215	67 17		10	13	59	347	561		10 40
Pleasant Grove			2	548	209	213 25	1 00	5	5	27	177		17	52 75
McDowell			1	328	176									1 00
<b>Total</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>20</b>	<b>8125</b>	<b>3499</b>	<b>1329 08</b>	<b>98 00</b>	<b>67</b>	<b>87</b>	<b>325</b>	<b>2346</b>	<b>2629</b>	<b>22</b>	<b>203 09</b>
<b>RECAPITULATION.</b>														
Charleston	16	13	16	4525	13522	4905 26	214 43	34	39	186	1660	2785	36	548 39
Cokesbury	19	18	14	6892	5005	1634 35	51 25	63	62	254	1793	2177	63	481 52
Columbia	9	21	17	5316	8256	2920 91	124 15	46	60	226	1700	2445	165	544 61
Wilmington	9	11	14	2855	5704	1979 22	88 50	15	17	61	439	629	60	144 20
Fayetteville	5	11	7	3193	1874	1972 71	39 25	33	36	161	929	1434	51	289 19
Lincolnton	9	8	20	8125	3499	1329 08	98 00	67	87	325	2346	2629	22	203 09
<b>Total</b>	<b>67</b>	<b>82</b>	<b>58</b>	<b>30066</b>	<b>37890</b>	<b>11741 53</b>	<b>615 58</b>	<b>258</b>	<b>301</b>	<b>1213</b>	<b>8867</b>	<b>12099</b>	<b>397</b>	<b>2211 40</b>

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 circuits?

The amount necessary to meet those claims is \$5,410.60.

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

The amount received is \$2,162.99; and has been appropriated as follows—being 42 1/2 per centum:

To Rev. Jas. H. Chandler, \$91 70	To widow Gamewell, \$42 75
R. Washburn, 17 75	Bunch and children, 53 01
Z. W. Barnes, 119 70	Asbury, 42 75
H. E. Ogburn, 116 28	Hill, 42 75
S. Dunwody, 85 50	Morgan, 42 75
H. Spain, 106 62	Kennedy, 42 75
D. Hilliard, 85 50	M'Pherson, 42 75
J. W. Townsend, 122 25	Poetell and child, 63 27
Jas. Dannelly, 112 51	Davies, 42 75
Campbell Smith, 133 90	M'Mackin and child, 53 01
Jas. Moore, 42 75	Turpin and child, 53 01

17. *What amount has been contributed for the support of Missions; what for Sunday School Books?* For Missions, \$17,713.76; for Sunday School Books, \$615.58.

18. *Where are the Preachers stationed?*

CHARLESTON DIST.—*Chas. Betts, P. E. W. M. Wightman*, Editor of the Southern Christian Advocate. *Charles Taylor and Benjamin Jenkins*, Missionaries to China. Charleston—Cumberland, *W. A. Gamewell*. Trinity, *W. A. McSwain*. Bethel, *C. H. Pritchard*. St. James, *John R. Pickett*. Black Swamp, *A. M. Christzberg, Julius J. Fleming*. Savannah River Miss., *M. L. Banks*. Reddick Bunch. Walterborough, *Paul A. M. Williams*, Wm. W. Jones. Combahee & Ashepoo Miss., *John R. Coburn*, Daniel May. Oakitee Mission, *Joseph Warnock*. Orangeburgh, *Wm. Crook*, Wm. W. Mood. Barnwell, *Feyton G. Bowman*, Thos. Raysor, *G. W. Moore, sup.* Graniteville & Aiken, *Henry M. Mood*. Cypress, *J. W. Kelly*, Francis A. Mood. Pen Pon Mission, *Wm. C. Kirkland*. Cooper River, *E. L. King*, Wm. Hutto. Cooper River Miss., *T. E. Leadbetter*. Beaufort & Prince Williams Mission, *C. McLeod*, Chas. O. Lamotte. Edisto, Jehossee, & Fenwick Islands Miss., *Chas. Wilson, H. A. Bass*.

COKEsbURY DIST.—*Samuel Leard, P. E.* Cokesbury, *Alexander W. Walker, A. P. Avant*. Edgfield, *Sidi H. Browne, A. L. Smith*. Pendleton, *A. B. McGilvray*, S. H. Dunwody. Pickens, *John Finger*. Paris Mountain, *David Hilliard*. Greenville sta., *A. M. Forster*. Greenville ct., *S. M. Greene, A. H. Harmon*. Union, *R. J. Boyd, G. W. Ivy*. Laurens, *S. Townsend, J. W. Miller*. Newberry, *C. Murchison, E. J. Pennington*. Mt. Tryon Mission, *Jas. N. Bauchelle*. Cokesbury School, *J. W. Wightman, H. A. C. Walker*, Agent for Cokesbury School.

COLUMBIA DIST.—*S. W. Capers, P. E.* Columbia—Washington St., *W. Smith*. Marion St., Thos. Mitchell. Congaree Mission, *Wm. Martin*. Lexington, *D. Derrick*, Jas. T. Kilgo. Columbia ct., *John W. J. Harris*. Winnsboro', *A. McCorquodale*, Elias J. Meynardie. Lancaster, *John A. Porter*. Camden, *H. C. Parsons*. Darlington, *W. H. Fleming, D. W. Seale*. Samterville, *N. Talley, J. W. North*. Santee, *H. Spain*. Wateree Mission, *D. G. McDaniel, A. J. Cauthen*. St. Mathews Miss., *Williamson Smith*.

GEORGETOWN DIST.—*T. R. Walsh, P. E.* Georgetown, *Jas. Stacy*. Santee Mission, *S. P. Taylor*. Conwayboro, *Jos. Parker, I. P. Hughes*. Black River ct., *S. Jones, W. M. Lee*. Black Mingo, *Abraham Nettles*. Black River & Pee Dee Miss., *M. Eaddy, L. A. Johnson*. Marion, *M. A. McKibben, W. A. Clarke*. Bennettsville *J. M. Bradley*. Cheraw, *John T. Wightman*. Cheraw Mission, *W. J. Jackson*. Chesterfield, *W. C. Clarke*, one to be sup. Wadesboro, *C. S. Walker*, Wm. E. Beone. Albemarle, *W. S. Hattom*. Waccamaw Mission, *John A. Minick, A. P. Martin*. Sampit, *Wm. Carson*.

Society Hill Miss., *John A. Mood, A. M. Shipp*, Prof. in N. C. University.

LINCOLNton DIST.—*H. H. Durant, P. E.* Charlotte sta., *A. G. Stacy*. Charlotte ct., *D. J. Simmons, J. W. Falkner*. Pleasant Grove, *W. C. Patterson*. Concord, *S. D. Laney*. Lincolnton, *J. H. Zimmerman*. Spartanburg sta., *Wm. P. Mouzon*. Spartanburg ct., *M. Puckett*. Rutherford, *P. F. Kistler*. Catawba, *L. Scarbrough*. Shelby, *O. A. Christzberg*. Morganton, *J. L. Shuford*. McDowell, *R. P. Franks*. Lenoir, *D. McDonald*, Wm. B. Currie. Yorkville, *L. M. Little*.

The following preachers are transferred to the N. C. Conference, and appointed as follows:

WILMINGTON DIST.—*W. Barringer, P. E.* Bladen, *John H. Robinson, D. D. Byars*. Fayetteville sta., *J. H. Wheeler*. Fayetteville ct., *Abner Ervin*. Rockingham, *W. L. Pegues*. Montgomery, *A. M. Rush*. Cape Fear Mission, *J. T. Munds*.

Transferred to the Ga. Conf.: *W. G. Connor* and *C. A. Crowell*.

*Danl. D. Cox* left without appointment from family affliction; *W. T. Capers*, and *T. M. Farrow*, on account of ill health.

## CONFERENCE INSTITUTIONS.

### MISSIONARY SOCIETY OF THE S. C. CONFERENCE.

*Auxiliary to the Missionary Society of the M. E. Church, South.*

*Officers and Managers.*—*C. Betts*, President; *H. A. C. Walker*, 1st Vice-President; *Whitefoord Smith*, 2nd Vice-President; *J. H. Wheeler*, Secretary; *W. M. Wightman*, Treasurer; Managers, *N. Talley, W. Barringer, W. A. McSwain, T. R. Walsh, C. S. Walker, A. M. Shipp, C. H. Pritchard, W. L. Pegues*, and *W. Crook*.

### REPORT OF THE BOARD OF MANAGERS OF THE S. C. CONFERENCE MISSIONARY SOCIETY.

The lapse of another year brings us to the celebration of another anniversary of our Conf. Missionary Society. With the profoundest sense of gratitude to the Giver of all good for his continued blessing upon our labors, the Board of Managers greet their brethren on this occasion. And though no occurrences of unusual interest may have transpired in the year just closed, yet no reverses have happened to damp the ardor of our zeal, or throw

the shadow of discouragement upon our noble enterprise. However gratifying enlarged success may be, the interest which we take in this cause is not based upon any temporary or external considerations, but is founded on the fact that it is God's work in which we are engaged; and all that is sweet in the recollection of duty done, or suffering endured—all that is inspiring in the belief of good effected, and in the hope of a high reward, combine to urge us on in this blessed work.

In reviewing the history of this society and its operations since its organization, and in looking over the wide field of domestic missions, it is a matter of no ordinary gratification to remember that we claim the honor of having been pioneers in the missions to the African race. It is likewise a source of peculiar and grateful satisfaction, that the progress of these labors instead of awakening fears as to their political effects, have, on the contrary, dispelled such apprehensions, and shown that the teachings of the gospel are in the highest degree compatible with our institutions, and afford additional security to the public peace. While our Missionaries have been unfolding to the negro-race the riches of the grace revealed in Jesus Christ, and opening up to their faith and hope the glories of an eternal life, they have been likewise teaching from that same inspired record that the way to the attainment of that life is by obedience and fidelity, by contentment and holy living. Spurning the doctrines of a false philanthropy, they have been content with the truth of divine revelation, and acknowledged no "higher law." The results of this course have been sufficient attestations of the approval of Heaven. While the ravings of a misguided fanaticism have been threatening the subversion of government and the dissolution of our political union, the labours of our missionaries have been strengthening all our domestic ties, and advancing the best interests of society.

But though the attention of our Society has been primarily fixed upon the missions to the slaves, we have not been forgetful of the claims of the remote heathen upon our christian sympathies and exertions. It is especially becoming that at each returning anniversary we should remember those brethren who have gone from our own beloved Conference to plant the standard of the cross amid the moral desolations of a far eastern land. TAYLOR and JENKINS are ours by all the hallowed recollections of christian fellowship—by all the endearing ties of fraternal union. Though they are not here to-night to unite with us in these sacred festivities, yet are they with us in spirit—though we cannot listen to them recounting all the thrilling incidents which have attended their labors, and reciting the deliverances which God has wrought for them—though we cannot mingle our tears with theirs, nor join our voices in one loud hallelujah, yet we cannot forget them,

"For mountains rise, and oceans roll,  
To sever us, in vain."

The number of missions under the supervision of this Board is eighteen. Two of these are missions to the whites, and sixteen to blacks. They include 417 whites, and 8,396 colored church members, showing an increase since the last annual report of 230 white members, but, owing to removals, deaths, and other causes, a decrease of 602 in the colored membership. The number of children under catechetical instruction is 100 whites and 4025 colored. During the past year 262 whites and 967 colored have been admitted on trial and received into full membership in the Church. The numbers in attendance upon the preaching of the word of God is about 11,000.

The following is a detailed exhibit of the Missionary work, of which the foregoing is a condensed summary.

1. *Savannah River mission.* This has been served during the year by Revs. W. H. Fleming and R. Bunch, and embraces seventeen plantations, with seven appointments for preaching, with a membership of 11 whites, and 565 colored, and 271 children under regular catechetical instruction. Though improved when compared with last year, it is not as good as may be desired.

2. *Edisto, Jhossee & Fenwick's Island mission.* This has 13 plantations served, 10 appointments for preaching, 581 coloured members, 150 children catechized, with an attendance upon preaching of 1500, and a population of 3,000. The mission is in a healthful and prosperous condition. It has been served by Revs. Charles Wilson and H. A. Bass.

3. *Beaufort & Prince Williams mission.* In this mission 11 plantations are served, 10 appointments for preaching, number of churches 5, members in attendance 600 or 700, number in bounds of mission 2500. There have been received on trial and into full connection during the year 13 whites and 15 coloured, and 2 white and 23 colored adults have been baptized, and 1 white and 1 colored children. The number of children catechized—20 whites and 367 coloured, with a membership numbering 17 whites and 334 coloured. The spiritual state of the mission is represented by the Revs. D. D. Cox and L. A. Johnson, who served on this field of labour, as being sound.

4. *Pon Pon mission.* The labours of Rev. S. P. Taylor have been employed in serving this mission. He represents the mission as sound and healthy. On this mission there are 8 plantations, 5 regular preaching appointments. There have been received on trial 11 coloured members, into full connection 16; number of children baptized 18. This mission has lost by removals, expulsions and deaths 149 members, leaving in membership 878: 190 children receive regular catechetical instruction. Population from 2000 to 2500.

5. *Combahee & Ashpoo mission.* Revs. J. R. Coburn and S. H. Duwody represent this mission as in a healthy condition, numbering 6 churches; 16 plantations served, and a coloured membership of 911. Eighty-one have been received on trial, 30 adults and 27 infants have been baptized, and 351 children regularly catechized. About 2000 attend on divine service, with a population, in reach of the appointments of about 6000.

6. *Cooper River mission.* On this mission which has been served by Rev. T. E. Leadbetter, there are 703 members; 27 have been admitted on trial, and 35 into full connection; 11 adults and 43 infants have been baptized, 136 children catechized. The population is about 1500, and about 1000 attend divine service. The condition of this mission is better than it has ever been.

7. *Mt. Tryon mission* lies in the N. W. of the Conference, and includes mostly whites. Rev. L. Scarborough has laboured here with success the past year, and represents the work as prosperous. There are 16 appointments, and a membership of 170 whites and 11 coloured—baptized 12 adults and 6 children.

8. *Graniteville* is also a mission to the whites, and according to the report of Rev. S. M. Green, has 76 white members, and 13 coloured. One Sabbath School is under weigh with 1 superintendent, 9 teachers, and 80 scholars. The state of the mission is prosperous, and embraces a population of 1000.

9. *Watree mission* includes 11 preaching places, and is promising. Admitted on trial 13 whites and 160 coloured. Baptized 13 whites and 89 coloured; 670 children are instructed catechetically. There are 5 churches, and the 6th is going up. The membership is 16 whites and 806 coloured—about 1500 hear preaching. The population is about double that number. Revs. D. G. McDaniel and A. J. Cauthen laboured here the past year.

10. *Santee mission* embraces 11 preaching places, 13 plantations, 678 members, 207 catechumens, and about 1500 in regular attendance on divine worship. It is represented by Revs. W. Carson and A. Ervin, who had charge of it, as being in good condition.

11. *Oakatie mission.* On this mission Rev. J. Warnock has laboured during the year, and reports 22 plantations served, with 11 white and 158 colored members, and 260 children receiving catechetical instruction. This mission has 4 appointments for preaching—1 church has been erected for the use of the missionaries, 5 whites and 47 coloured have been admitted on trial and received into full connection, and 50 children and 21 adults baptized. The

probable number in attendance is from 400 to 600, with a population of about 2000.

12. *Congaree.* Rev. Wm. Martin reports this mission as in an improving condition; and has received into the Church during the conference year, 8 white and 37 colored members, making a membership of 19 whites and 276 coloured; 159 children receive catechetical instruction, and 2 white and 4 coloured adults and 10 coloured children have been baptized. This mission has 2 meeting houses, an average attendance on divine worship of 490, and a population, in walking distance of the missionary's appointments, of 1400 to 1500.

13. *St. Matthews.* Rev. Williamson Smith has labored in this field during the year, and reports 10 plantations, 4 appointments for preaching, at two of which neat chapels have been erected, and the third in course of erection. These appointments bring religious services in reach of a population of 1600—57 have been admitted on trial, and 41 into full connection; 103 children and 57 adults have been baptized, 65 have removed, leaving a membership of 115—268 children have been regularly catechized. The missionary reports a deep interest as being felt in the success of this mission, by both planters and their people.

14. *Waccamaw.* Rev. Jno. A. Minnick in making his report, returns 16 plantations served with catechetical instruction, weekly: 5 preaching houses with about 1500 in attendance, and a population of about 3500: 55 children and 17 adults have been baptized, 69 have been received on trial and into full connection, making in all 15 white and 487 colored members: 99 children are regularly catechized. State of the mission is considered healthful.

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To this demand your Delegates demurred on the following, among other grounds.

1. That upon the showing of documentary evidence obtained from



the Quarterly Conferences and Society meetings, in the territory thus claimed, and which was duly exhibited to the General Conference, the transfer asked for was contrary to the wishes of a large majority of the membership most particularly concerned. These documents were official statements, obtained in pursuance of instructions given at the last session of this body. They were for an obvious reason, not memorials inasmuch as the parties interested asked nothing of the General Conference but to be let alone. They fully sustained, in the judgment of your Delegates, the representations made with regard to the general feeling of the societies and circuits from which they came.

2. Your Delegates maintained that while the policy of the Church in the matter of boundaries, was not by any means governed by the consideration of *State lines*, it was unjust to the South Carolina Conf. that the claim of the North Carolina Delegates, resting on the assumed propriety of conforming the boundaries of Annual Conferences to those of the States, should be considered valid. Indeed these very men did not pretend to ask for the whole of the North Carolina portion of our Conference District, but only for that section of it which contained the towns of Wilmington and Fayetteville. Had these desirable stations been relinquished quietly, it is the opinion of your Delegates that little effort would have been made for the residue of the territory claimed.

3. The infringement of the rights of the travelling preachers then engaged in the pastoral work of the territory in dispute, who seemed to be claimed along with the membership and local church property, was pressed as a reason why the transfer should not be granted. It was shown that the North Carolina Conference was numerically weak so far as the supply of travelling preachers was concerned; that it could not fill with its present effective force, even its own acknowledged ground, much less that in addition for which it was clamouring; and consequently that it would have to depend on foreign help. It was stated emphatically, that no minister of the South Carolina Conference was willing to leave his present and long cherished ecclesiastical relations, and join the North Carolina Conference; and that to force any of them by the lever of assumed General Conference prerogative, or by transfer against his wishes, was an unwarrantable interference with personal rights. Moreover it seemed obvious that if the territory had to be served by aid of preachers from South Carolina, it could be as efficiently served by them in their former connections, as by any new relations.

These, and various other considerations were urged by your Delegates, but without effect. The debate was continued two days, and the General Conference decided by a majority of 4 or 5 votes to wrest the two stations, six circuits, and mission from the jurisdiction of the South Carolina Conference, and cede them to that of the North Carolina Conference. Upon this termination of the affair, your delegates presented, and had spread on the Journal of the General Conference, the following protest:—

"We the Delegates of the South Carolina Conference, of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, in behalf of the entire ministry and membership whose interests we here represent, and who have respectfully and officially protested against any change in the boundary

between the North and South Carolina Conferences, do most earnestly and solemnly remonstrate against the action of this General Conference depriving us of a large portion of our territory by the violent removal of a landmark established by our fathers, and left unchanged for the last half century.

We regard said action as an unjust usurpation of power over the rights and privileges appertaining to Annual Conferences—violative of the custom and usages of our Church towards old and well-established Conferences—revolutionary in its principles and tendency—and fraught with disastrous consequences to the Church of God whose interests are paramount to all considerations, earthly and temporal."

In reviewing the case, your Delegates beg to submit to the Conference, as the substance of their present convictions, a few observations.

They consider this action of the General Conference as involving very grave issues. It proceeded evidently on the assumption that the General Conference possessed unchecked power to disintegrate and cut up at pleasure an Annual Conference. This claim of power goes further; it touches vitally the prerogative of the Episcopacy, and by consequence, the privileges of the travelling ministry. It affects the peace and prosperity of the membership, who it seems may be transferred hither and thither, against their own preferences as expressed in Quarterly Conferences and primary assemblies;—and this too, notwithstanding the peculiar delicacies of a system of church government which allows them and the local preachers no other representation in the General Conference, but that furnished by the Annual Conference with which they are connected.

The transfer of the territory was made against the solemn remonstrance of the South Carolina Conference at its last session, and of the Delegation, urged at the time. It follows then, that the General Conference claims the right to interfere with the internal affairs of an Annual Conference to an extent which the latter body has declared to be afflictive and oppressive. In the exercise of this assumed power, it may at pleasure cede to a neighbouring Conference such an amount of jurisdiction, and such a number of circuits as shall reduce *ad libitum* the size of its territory and the number of its membership. By this policy it may throw upon the suffering Conference a large number of unemployed travelling preachers, who must either migrate to other portions of the Connection, possibly at the expense of personal interests in Conference Institutions, both educational and otherwise, which they mainly contributed to set on foot;—or locate and seek secular employment. Either alternative might cheerfully be chosen if the cause of religion demanded the sacrifice, or if it were left to the voluntary arbitrament of conscience and love of the institutions of the Church. But in the supposed case, the ministry is *driven*—in violation of all the instincts of American character, to one or the other at the mere will of a lawless and perfectly irresponsible majority, who in the nature of things, must be largely ignorant of the localities and interests most deeply involved. Now your delegates cannot find where any such powers were vested in the General Conference by the constitution of the Church; and they believe that the exercise of such unchecked powers must sooner or later lead to the

nual Conferences were *equal* contracting parties" in the compromise law of 1816. Here the integrity and equality of the several Annual Conferences are explicitly affirmed; and yet six years afterward, when in consequence of this very Protest the Southern Conferences had separated from the Northern, and formed themselves into an independent organization, the rights of one of these Annual Conferences are invaded in the face of a solemn remonstrance from the Conference concerned, made at its previous session, and reaffirmed at the time by its delegates. The tendency to absolutism would seem to be inherent in the General Conference; it is surely time that some effectual check be applied. We wish the government brought back to original principles. We disavow all participation in Crotan theories. Nor is it assuming any position unbecoming the South Carolina Conference, which sent nine delegates to represent her interests in the first delegated General Conference, in which only one besides herself appeared, of all the Annual Conferences which now compose the M. E. Church, South,—and has stood in the front-rank, abreast with the foremost of her sister Conferences, since organized, in devotion to the great principles of American Methodism, and in self-consecration to the work of God—to present a firm resistance against the disorganizing doctrines and edicts of General Conferences of our own day; and to utter an emphatic  *caveat*  against the encroachments of despotism, let them come from what quarter they may.

What definite shape that resistance may take, it is for your wisdom to determine. We would respectfully suggest that a Memorial to the ensuing General Conference be drawn up, setting forth the grievance inflicted by the action of its predecessor, demanding the retrocession of the territory, and accompanied with the earnest desire for the adoption of a Resolution prohibiting the General Conference from altering the boundaries of an Annual Conference where its consent cannot be obtained. If the General Conference shall adhere to its late policy, and refuse to restore the original boundary-line, it will be competent for this body to determine on ulterior measures, for self-protection, and for the maintenance of the rights of its Societies and Circuits.

In the meanwhile we recommend that for the sake of those Circuits which have memorialized the Bishop, and asked to be served by preachers from this body, the Presiding officer be requested by formal resolution to select from this body the supply he needs for the ceded territory.

Provided nevertheless, that it be distinctly understood that by this measure of temporary supply, the South Carolina Conference does not mean to admit the constitutionality of the late transfer of her territory, or the right claimed by the partizans of General Conference powers, and conceded by episcopal decision, to transfer preachers against their consent, from one Conference to another.

And provided, moreover, that those of the brethren of this Conference who may agree to such an arrangement, and may *pro tempore* be connected nominally with the North Carolina Conference, shall not be considered as having relinquished their membership really and truly in this body, or the privileges accruing therefrom, to themselves, or in the event of their death before the next Session of the General Conference, to their widows and orphans.

And provided, finally, that it is made known to the Bishops who may from time to time preside in the North Carolina Conference, *ad interim*, that the South Carolina Conference has agreed to such an arrangement solely in view of the peace of the Church in the excised section, and that the ministers of this Conference on the stationing-list of the N. C. Conference are expected to be employed no where else.

We are aware that this body by adopting the foregoing or any similar measures, does so at the expense of one delegate at the next General Conference. Nevertheless, we hold that the peace of the Church in the ceded territory, and the unwavering attachment of multitudes of the membership to the South Carolina Conference, demand the temporary sacrifice at our hands. The integrity of our Church Union, is sufficiently important to warrant another effort to secure it, by bringing back the General Conference to original principles. And finally, much is due to the Connectional interests of those Conferences, which, in the persons and votes of their delegates, sympathized with yours; and who occupy a common platform of principle with this body on the subject which has for several years past, so painfully agitated us.

The action of the late Gen'l Conference, on the subject of the Ninth Section, calls for a brief notice on the part of your Delegates.

We regret to say that the hurried state of the General Conference precluded the possibility of extended debate, at the time when it was introduced from the Committee on Revisals. It was with some difficulty that on the vote which decided the question of retaining or expunging the obnoxious Section, the privilege of taking it by *ayes* and *noes*, was conceded. You have been informed by the published proceedings of the General Conference, that it was decided to keep the Section in the Book of Discipline by a vote of 43 to 38:—your delegation of course voting unanimously against the Section.

Notwithstanding the fact has attained general notoriety in South Carolina, that your delegates had thus voted, and that by only a majority of 5 votes the Section was retained, it is known that the secular press has in several instances assailed the character of the Church and Conference with great bitterness, aiming to damage the character of our ministry, and awaken old prejudices. It is also known that various influential Quarterly Conferences have felt constrained to pass resolutions advising the suppression of the Book of Discipline so long as it contains the obnoxious Section; and protecting, as far as the expression of their unabated confidence in your Delegates would go, the ministry at large from censure. We acknowledge ourselves debtors to the kindness of our brethren.

In view of the emergency of the case we would respectfully recommend that the Conference by resolution, appoint a Committee to make arrangements with the general Book Agent, if practicable, for the publication of an edition of the Discipline for the use of the South Carolina Conference, with the Ninth Section left out; or if that be found impracticable, that they take measures to have the work done elsewhere. This we confidently believe will be but anticipating the action of the next General Conference. But as we have no guarantee that the desired change will certainly be made; and as the General Conference laid on the table a motion kindly made by a member from a

sister Conference, authorizing an expurgated edition for the South Carolina Conference, we think it advisable that the Conference act for itself, at once.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

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#### RESOLUTIONS ON THE REPORT OF THE DELEGATES.

1. *Resolved*, That this Conference approves and adopts the report made to this body by our delegates in the late General Conference of the M. E. Church, South.

2. *Resolved*, That we approve the course pursued by our delegates in the late Gen. Conference, and do hereby return them our thanks, for their christian and firm support of the principles of constitutional Methodism, particularly, touching those matters referred to in their report.

3. *Resolved*, That while this Conference most warmly appreciates the courtesy and kindness of our present presiding Bishop towards those members of our Conference recently stationed within the excised territory, particularly in re-transferring them to this Conference, it distinctly dissents from the Episcopal decision that the preachers occupying that territory were transferred to the No. Ca. Conference, by the act of the Gen'l Conf., which annexed that territory to the No. Ca. Conference.

4. *Resolved*, That in view of the considerations set forth in the report above alluded to, and especially for the peace of the church and the prosperity of the work of God, and with the hope that a returning sense of justice will prompt the retrocession of the excised territory to this Conference, this body requests that that portion of the work be supplied with preachers from this body; and that the provisions recommended in the said report with regard to those who may be so appointed, be adopted by this conference.

5. *Resolved*, That inasmuch as the last Gen'l Conf. appended to the 9th sect., 2nd part of the book of Discipline, a note declaring said section to be inoperative and obsolete; and forasmuch as many quarterly meeting conferences in this and other Conferences have by published resolutions declared that the Book of Discipline with the said section ought not to be circulated; and inasmuch also as it is highly important that the book should be in the hands of the members of our church that they may know the rules by which they are to be governed; Dr. W. M. Wightman, Dr. W. Smith, and Charles Betts be, and they are hereby appointed a committee to confer with the Book Agent of the M. E. Church, South, and to take the necessary steps, if possible, to have an edition of the said book of discipline published for circulation within this conference, without the obnoxious section referred to.

6. *Resolved*, That the aforesaid report of the delegates and these resolutions

be spread upon the journals of this conference and printed in the minutes of this Conference; and the resolutions be published in the Southern Christian Advocate.

#### REPORT OF THE BOARD OF FINANCE, S. C. CONFERENCE.

The Board of Finance beg leave to report that they have ascertained the whole amount of claims against them is \$5410.60. To meet thi they have in hand \$2462.99, which, after deducting the amount due the Bishops, enables the Board to settle with the other claimants at 42 $\frac{1}{4}$  per centum. Surplus \$9.12 $\frac{1}{2}$ . All of which is respectfully submitted.

December 23d, 1850.

JAS. STACY, Ch'n.

#### FINANCIAL PLAN.

A Joint Board of Finance having been organized by the last Annual Conference; they have, after due deliberation agreed to present to this Conference the following *Plan*, to raise the amount necessary to meet the current claims of the Conference.

1. It shall be the duty of the Board, after ascertaining the whole amount of claim against them, annually to apportion the same to the several circuits, and stations, in the Conference District; and each preacher having charge of a circuit or station shall furnish his successor with the amount apportioned to his charge.

2. Each preacher shall make all necessary efforts to collect the amount apportioned to his charge by the Board.

3. The preacher in charge of each circuit shall (at the close of the Conference year) fix the first appointment for his successor, at the church nearest the Parsonage (or place of boarding), and shall allow him thereafter at least one week to arrange for the year; during which time (the day to be fixed the preceding year by the preacher and stewards) the stewards shall hold the first meeting at the Parsonage or place of boarding, at which it shall be the duty of each steward to attend.

4. Each board of stewards, respectively, shall ascertain the whole claim against the circuit for the current year, both for quarterage and travelling expenses, as definitely as possible: they shall then make an estimate of the family expenses of the preacher, or preachers of the circuit, including servant's hire and house rent (if a house be rented) and the *entire claim* against the circuit, for the current year, shall be apportioned to the several congregations composing the circuit forthwith—each congregation being notified immediately, of the amount it is expected to collect.

5. The stewards shall divide the congregations composing the circuit among themselves, and shall make all necessary efforts to collect the amounts apportioned them.

6. It shall be the duty of the stewards to open subscription books in each congregation to meet the current claims—and shall also cause public collections to be taken up, if they deem it necessary, for the same purpose.

7. The stewards shall settle with the preachers quarterly, and to this end, the subscriptions shall be taken in quarterly instalments.

8. The Conference collections, for the support of our Bishops, and superannuated preachers, widows and orphans of preachers—and to meet deficiencies in quarterage claims—shall be taken up in each congregation as early in the year as practicable.

9. The Board of District stewards shall be a standing Board for four years; provided, nevertheless should any vacancy occur in the Board, such vacancy shall be supplied by the Quarterly Conference; and the District steward shall be charged with collecting the amount apportioned to the circuit or station, where he resides.

10. The Board of District stewards shall be charged with the work of supplying the District Parsonage with suitable furniture; and shall be authorized to take up collections in their respective charges for that object.

11. Each member of this joint Board, and more especially the chairman thereof, shall feel it his duty to be active, in endeavouring to improve the financial condition of the Church, by written correspondence, or otherwise, with the stewards, and other leading brethren of the several circuits and stations—and by public addresses to the church at suitable times and occasions.

12. That the circuit stewards shall make arrangements early in the year, if they deem it necessary, to receive from the congregations assigned to them respectively, such provisions, as they may be able to give for the support of the preacher's family, which shall be delivered at the parsonage, at market prices, and shall be placed to the credit of the circuit as family expenses.

#### RESOLUTIONS ON THE REPORT ON SABBATH SCHOOLS.

*Resolved*, 1. That this Conference is as ever duly impressed with the importance of sustaining our Sunday School interests—and that we will make vigorous efforts to extend the circulation of the Sunday School Visitor to every family within our limits.

2. That it shall be the duty of all the preachers in charge of circuits and stations to take up or cause to be taken up in the month of April, collections to aid in the publication of Sunday School books to be circulated amongst our people, and that the same be forwarded to Dr. Sumners, Editor of Books in Charleston.  
A. M. SHIPP, Ch'n.

#### FAST DAYS.

*Resolved*, That the first Friday in April and October be set apart as days of fasting, and prayer to Almighty God for the outpouring of his Spirit upon the churches under our oversight.

#### COMMITTEES OF EXAMINATION.

SOUTH-CAROLINA CONFERENCE, 1851.

*First Year.*—Bible as to doctrines, C. Murchison. Wesley's Sermons, C. McLeod. Fletcher's Appeal and Christian Perfection, A. G. Stacy. English Grammar and Composition, A. M. Forster.

*Second Year.*—The Bible as to Ordinances, and Watson's Life of Wesley, D. Derrick. Watson's Apology and Fletcher on Perfection, John H. Robinson. Methodist Discipline, D. G. McDaniel. Geography, ancient and modern, W. G. Conner.

*Third Year.*—The Bible as to History and Chronology, C. Wilson. 1st and 2nd parts of Watson's Institutes, Wm. Martin. Church History, Samuel Leard. Rhetoric and Essay or Sermon, A. W. Walker.

*Fourth Year.*—The Bible generally, Sidi H. Browne. 3rd and 4th parts of Watson's Institutes, Wm. Crook. Powell on Succession and Old Christianity, D. J. Simons. Logic (Hedge's) and Written Essay or Sermon, P. A. M. Williams.

A. M. Forster is Chairman of the 1st year.

D. G. McDaniel is Chairman of the 2nd year.

Saml. Leard is Chairman of the 3rd year.

Wm. Crook is Chairman of the 4th year.

#### A COURSE OF STUDY

*For the Itinerant Probationers and Deacons of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, to be uniformly observed in all the Annual Conferences, as provided for by the late General Conference.*

**FIRST YEAR.**—The Bible as to *Doctrines*, with reference to Wesley's Notes, the Bible Dictionaries, and Commentaries of our own publication; Concordance; and Gaston's Collections of Sacred Scriptures. Wesley's Sermons; Fletcher's Appeal and Christian Perfection. English Grammar and Composition.

**SECOND YEAR.**—The Bible as to *Ordinances or Sacraments*. Reference books the same as the first year. Watson's Life of Wesley; Bishop Watson's Apology; Fletcher's Christian Perfection. Methodist Discipline. Geography. Composition.

**THIRD YEAR.**—The Bible as to *History and Chronology*. Reference books as before. The first and second parts of Watson's Institutes. Gregory's Church History. Rhetoric. Written Essay or Sermon.

**FOURTH YEAR.**—The Bible generally. Reference books the same. The third and fourth parts of Watson's Institutes. Powell on Apostolical Succession. Old Christianity contrasted with the novelties of Popery, by Gideon Ouseley. Logic. Written Essay or Sermon.

The foregoing course is considered obligatory upon the several classes of candidates. The following is for such as have ability, time and inclination to accomplish more, on which, or any part of it, such only as desire it should be examined.

MISCELLANEOUS DEPARTMENT.—The Bible continued. Fletcher's Checks; Life of Dr. Episcopius; Mosheim's Church History; Dr. Elliot on Romanism; D'Aubigne's History of the Reformation; Butler's Analogy; Natural Philosophy; Moral Philosophy; Civil History. And if any desire to proceed still further, they can include in their course other sciences, and the dead languages, aided by the best authors, and such private instruction as may be within their reach.

#### CONSTITUTION OF THE SO. CA. CONFERENCE MISSIONARY SOCIETY.

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

ART. 2. The object of this society shall be to assist the parent society to extend its missionary labors in the United States and elsewhere.

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

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

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

ART. 6. The Treasurer, who shall reside in Charleston, shall hold the funds of the Society, subject to the drafts of the Bishops; in accordance with the 2nd article of this constitution.

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

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

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

ART. 10. At all the meetings of the Society, the President, or in his absence, one of the Vice-Presidents, or in the absence of both Vice-

Presidents, such member as shall be appointed by the meeting shall preside.

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

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

#### BY-LAWS.

1. The Managers shall meet annually, at such places as may be appointed for the Annual Conference, on the day previous to its sitting.

2. At all the meetings of the Board, the President, or in his absence the Vice-President, or President pro-tem., shall take the chair at the hour appointed; shall preserve order and appoint committees, and shall also have authority to appoint extra meetings of the Board.

3 The Secretary shall keep a correct journal of the minutes and proceedings of the Board, and attend all its sittings when practicable, and in case of absence, transmit the records of the Board to the place of meeting.

4. It shall be the duty of the Treasurer to keep a correct account of receipts and expenditures, which shall be submitted with the necessary vouchers, to an auditing committee, to be appointed by the Board, at each annual meeting.

5. The Board shall hold a meeting on a day, not later than the seventh of the Conference sessions, at which the Treasurer shall be required to furnish a statement of the funds. And the Board shall thereupon notify the presiding Bishop of the amount for which drafts may be made for the ensuing year.

## REPORT OF THE TREASURER OF THE SOUTH-CAROLINA CONFERENCE MISSIONARY SOCIETY.

W. M. WIGHTMAN, Treasurer, in account with the Missionary Society of the S. C. Conference.

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Dec. 23, 1850.

## FROM MISSIONS.

*Waccamaw, by Rev J A Minnick*—Hon J J Ward 200; W A Alston Esq. 100; C Alston sen. 100; Mrs M H Pyatt 50; J LeBruce Esq. 20; estate of R Nesbit 20; Maj W Trapier 20; J E Thompson 8; J J Steete 5; J H White 5; W Burgess 4; S V Heningway 3; two young ladies for China mission 3; a servant 5; donation 12 cents. 513 12.

*Sampit, by Rev L M Little*—Estate of Withers 360, J F Pyatt, Esq. 60; J B Pyatt, Esq. 60. 480 00

*Edisto, by Rev C Wilson*—Hon W Aiken 150; E Whaley Esq. 100; W Edings Esq. 80; W M Murray Esq. 100. 430

*Congaree mission, by Rev W Martin*—Major O'Hanlon 20; Col W Hampton sen. 100; Capt B F Taylor 50; Gen W Hopkins 50; Mrs Gov Taylor 30 Miss C Arthur 20; Mrs K Arthur 20; Mrs Howell 20; Mrs Brevard 14; Miss A Arthur 10; J Likes Esq. 10; J E Reece Esq. 10; T Heath Esq. 10; W Morris 5; J M Carlisle 5; E Heath 5; M Howell 5; P Likes 5; W Crober 1; T Bynum 2; J Jackson 2; Mrs Roan and daughters 3; Miss M Hayes 1; Miss L Hayes 50cts; B T Spiegner 1.50; J Cooper 1; J Reece 1; Mrs Reece 1; Mr Trowitt 2; pub col 4.65. 389 05

*Waltere mission, by Rev D G McDaniell*—J M DeSaussure Esq. 50; Col J Chesnut sen. 50; Col J English 40; Capt T Lang 20; L Boykin and Lady 20; Mrs H English 20; Dr J Milken 15; Captain J B Mickle 15; B Boykin Esq. 15, and 15 for 1849; J Little Esq. 13; B Hayle Esq. 10; Mrs S Ciples 10; J Kesser Esq. 5; Mr W Thomason 5; Mrs D G McDaniell and children 5; Mr Hughes and lady 3; Col Thos J Ancrum 15; Capt W Ancrum 15; W D Hogan Esq. 5; J Arthur Esq. 5; Thompson 4; Mr Holt 50 cts; Mr McCaskill and lady 2; J A Fraser Esq. 20 for 1849; W A Young 3. 380 50.

*Black River and Pee Dee, by Rev M Eaddy*—Hon R F W Allston 50, F Weston, Esq. 50, Estate of J H Allston 35, J E Allston, Esq. 15, J H Tucker, Esq. 30, J Exum, Esq. 25, R H Collins, Esq. 25, Dr J R Sparkman 20, J R Easterling, Esq. 20, B M Grier, Esq. 20, Col D L McKay 10, W G Linnieux, Esq. 10, T B Hamlin, Esq. 10, F Green, Esq. 5, J Hamlin 2.50, Mrs M G Mummerly 2.50, Miss A A Skinner 2.50, Miss W Skinner 2.50, W King 1, other cols 1, W H Trapier, Esq. 10. 347 00

*Beaufort mission, by Rev D D Cox*—W Edings Esq. 40, and 40 for 1849; Dr B B Sams 25; E Means Esq. 15; Dr H M Fuller 14; F G Fraser Esq. 60; R Chisholm Esq. 40; Mrs R Means 30; Dr B B Sams 25; Capt E Barnwell 25; H M Stuart Esq. 15; Mrs M Fuller 12. 341

*Cheraw mission, by Rev W J Jackson*—Major A McFarlan 50; Gen J Gillespie 25; C Irby Esq. 25; Col J W Harrington 20; T E B Pegues Esq. 15; J Wright Esq. 15; Maj H Harrington 10; Mrs J Pegues 10; Mrs H P Gillespie 10; Capt O H Kollock 10; Col B F Pegues 10; W Pegues sen. 10; W J Pegues Esq. 10; Rev H H Williams 5; Col H Harrington 5; H M Tomlinson Esq. 5; A Blue 5; A McCaskill 3; Mrs W J Jackson, avails of needlework, 10; a friend 5. 258.

*Savannah River, by Rev W H Fleming*—Hon Judge Huger 45; A S Izard Esq. 50; Dr Jos Huger 20; Mrs J M Chisolm 50; Thos Hardee Esq. 5; M C King Esq. 20; Mr Manigault 20; col. at New River 3 24; estate of J M Chisolm 40. 253 34.

*Santee mission, by Rev W Carson*—Jas M Smith Esq. 15; Capt G Manigault 15; Mrs S H Mayrant 30; Maj W R Maxwell 30; estate of Thos Lowndes 20; Major R Lowndes 20; E M Door 10; W B Pringle Esq. 25; Mrs Huggins 20; Thos Horry Esq. 30; Hon C C Pinckney 25. 240.

*Oakati, by Rev J Warnock*—G Edwards Esq. 50; C G Gadsden 30; C J Colcock Esq. 20; G W Heyward Esq. 15; J Webb Esq. 20; Mrs E Parker 20; W Ferabee Esq. 15; A Huger Esq. 10; R Kirk 10; J Guerard Esq. 10; J Ferabee Esq. 10; N Ferabee 5; B A Rowell 5. 220.

*Combahee and Ashpoo, by Rev J R Coburn*—Capt N Heyward, jr, 50; Mrs A

E Gibbes 20, Mrs E P Smith 40, W M Smith, Esq. 30, C Lowndes, Esq. 50. 190 00

*Cooper River, by Rev T E Leadbetter*—Estate of Mrs C Prielean 50; Hon T Bennett 30; K S Laurens Esq. 30; W Bell Esq. 20; Dr C Tennant 12; C Greaves Esq. 10; P G Stoney Esq. 10; Dr C Desell 10; collections 4 06. 176 06.

*Pon Pon, by Rev S P Taylor*—Col Morris 50, J B Grimball, Esq. 35, Mrs E. . . . 130 00

*Cape Fear mission*—Dr F J Hill 25, Dr J D Bellamy 20, Dr J H Hill 5, Mr J Swann 4, D L Russell, Esq. 20, H Waters, Esq. 20, H N Howard 10; less 77 cts. exchange on draft. 103 23

*Society Hill, by Rev C McLeod*—J Witherspoon Esq. 50; Hon J McQuocca 20; T B Lide Esq. 20; Dr S H Passly 5. 95.

*Mt Tryon, by Rev L Scarbrough*—Collections. 70 30

*Graniteville, by B C Hard*—Collections 57.57, Sunday School contributions 5.02. 62 00

*St Matthews, by Rev W Smith*—J H Dulles, Esq. 50. 50 00

## FROM STATIONS.

*Spartanburgh, by Rev H H Durant*—col's 317 23  
*Columbia, by Rev W Smith*—col's and Sub's 257.75; S S of lower ch 25; do upper ch 15; donation 3, 300 75

Charleston:  
*Bethel, by Rev H M Mood*—May col's 15; miss pr m eatings 55; from whites 63.31; juv m soc 28; col'd S S 65.50; col'd col's 60, 266 81

*Cumberland*—col's, of which 40 to make Rev W G Conner and lady 1 m's, 225 00

*Trinity*—by E S Courtenay, esq. 100.00; col m col's 28.80; by C E Hills, see S S, to make Rev T J Lamotte 1 m, 20, 219 40

*St James, by Rev A G Stacy*, 33 62

*Fayetteville, by Rev C H Pritchard*—pub coll'n 49.75; pr meetings 14; donations 92.45; col'd col's 51.85, 196 05

*Cheraw, by Rev J T Wightman*, col's, 136 00

*Camden, by Rev J A Mood*—col's, 120 70

*Georgetown, by Rev A M Christburg*, col's, 119 00

*Wilmington, by Rev H A C Walker*, col's 112.50; O Fennel, by Rev W Crook 5, 117 50

*Charlotte, by Rev J J Fleming*—col's, 55 75

*Greenville, by Rev H C Parsons*, col's of which 10 to make Amelia J Duncan 1 m c s, 53 00

## FROM CIRCUITS.

*Wadesboro, by Rev T R Walsh*—May col's, including an at Wadesboro 185.25; col at Mineral Spring c m 215.20, Concord c m 145, Centenary c m 100, Rev H Leadbetter 200, Mrs O Shankle 55, E Nehms, to make Mrs M E Smith 1 m, 20; other colls 70.45, during session of conf, A Myers 10, G W Little 5. 1005 96

*Cypress, by Rev W C Kirkland*, col's 921 50

<i>Cokesbury</i> ,—May and cent-a-week col's 247.58; cir't mis soc 391.25; Cokesbury Fem miss soc 76; H H Penny 5,	719 83
<i>Black Swamp</i> , by Rev W A McSwain,—coll's of which 20 to make Rev W Crook 1 m 532; addl 26,	558 00
<i>Union</i> , by Rev R J Boyd,—W Kelly 10, J Thomas 10, Rev J Jennings 10, T Bowker 10, Dr J Eppes 10, Mrs A Rice 10, Dr G Douglas 10, Rev G B Tucker 12, T Jeter 10, Dr T Rutherford 10, Hon W H Gist 10, Dr J H Dogan 10, Mrs S P Rice 10, M Suber 10, T A Carlyle 5, J Evans 5, S Tigart 5, T K Whitmore 5, T Hendricks 5, W Thomas 5, H Whitmore 5, Dr W Sims 5, Dr R Gilliam 5, S Gregory 5, B Delay 5, Mrs S Stevens 7, T K Colfield 5, A Shell 5, W Humphries 5, Dr M Goudelock, 5 J Rogers 5, Dr J N Herndon 5, J F Sims 5, Dr B Rawls 5, J L S Hill 5, Mrs W Thompson 5, Mrs M Eppes 5, Mrs Gen Rogers 5, C Bogan 5, S Rice 5, S Tucker 5, Jos Wofford 5, Mrs E Kelly 5, Mrs J Thomas 5, Mrs E Rice 4,—298; cent-a-week and pub col's. 237.47,	535 47
<i>Winnshoro</i> , by Rev S Leard,—May col's 50; H Heath 100; other coll's	273.30,
	423 30
<i>Bennettsville</i> , by Rev J A Porter,—col's of which 20 to make Rev W Barringer 1 m, and 50 for China miss,	383 55
<i>Orangeburgh</i> , by Rev W Crook, cent-a-week 95.30; coll's 227.80,	323 80
<i>Cooper River</i> , by Rev J W Kelly—Colls, of which 300 were contributed to make the following persons 1 m's, Dr J P Jerman, Dr P G Bonneau, Rev U S Bird, Mrs T O Summers, Rev J H Massey, E Cox, Rev L M Little, Rev I Scarborough, Mrs E Warnock, J Valentine, Mrs W Lanson, Rev G Anderson, Rev A Murray W, Hutto, W Hudson.	313 00
<i>Darlington</i> , by Rev C S Walker—May col's 32.24; pub col 45.22; Dr Zimmerman 18, W King 10, L Lawson 10, W H Evans 10, J Andrews 10, G Wallace 10, T P Lyde 10, N Stuckey 5, S A Woods 5, W Harrall 5, J Windham 5, J Parnell 5, S N Atkinson 5, W Parnell 5, T Atkinson 5, P S Severence 5, T Harrell 5, H Dubose 5, H King 5, Maj Mollat 5, Mrs A E Walker 5, Mrs M A Garner 5, Mrs L McCall 5, G Mims 5, J H Huggins 5, Mrs M Dargan for China miss 5, Rev E B Dubose 5; From sundry persons, 20 of which to make Rev H Spain 1 m, 53,	308 46
	290 95
<i>Edgefield</i> , by Rev W P Mouzon—Colls	284 00
<i>Sumterville</i> , by Rev E L King, col's for China miss 100; domestic 184,	276 30
<i>Concord</i> , by Rev W L Pegues—Colls, of which 5 were contributed for the production of Chinese tracts by Rev Dr Taylor,	213 25
<i>Pleasant Grove</i> , by Rev W C Patterson,—M Cuthbertson 10, T Winchester sr 10, Dr Ardry 5, Rev A Ivy 5, Col J McCollum 5, S Waldrop 5, S Howie 5, J Jones 5, T Cureton sr 5; donations, etc, of which 20 to make Rev J H Robinson 1 m 157,	212 00
<i>Marion</i> , by Rev A McCorquodale,—coll's of which 30 were contributed to the education of a Chinese boy to be named Samuel M Stevenson; May coll's 55,	210 38
<i>Chesterfield</i> , by Rev A Nettles, col's,	203 00
<i>Walterboro</i> , by Rev P A M Williams,—coll's of which 20 to make Rev W W Jones 1 m 201; bal from 1849, by Rev A W Walker 2,	186 00
<i>Newberry</i> , by Rev J H Zimmerman,—col's of wh 20 by the ladies of Newberry C H, to make Mrs W A Ganewell 1 m, Mrs D Orley 5, Mrs Kinard 5, for China miss,	184 30
<i>Laurens</i> , by Rev S Townsend—J Humbert, to make Mrs M J Townsend 1 m conf soc, 10; other cols 174.30.	176 25
<i>Barnwell</i> , by Rev P G Bowman,—coll's,	169 50
<i>Rockingham</i> , by Rev M A M Kibben—Colls	168 00
<i>Charlotte</i> , by Rev J H Robinson—	147 68
<i>Albemarle</i> , by Rev A Nettles—Bal. from last year 1.50, by Rev W S Haltom; colls, of which 5 from Dr Maddill, and 5 from Col Palmer, for For. mis.	146 10
<i>Lexington</i> , by Rev D Derrick,—coll's,	116 40
<i>Bladen</i> , by Rev D J Simmons—Colls	113 30
<i>Lancaster</i> , by Rev T M Farrow,—May coll's 60; col 53.30,	90 80
<i>Montgomery</i> , by Rev P W M Daniel—Colls	77 20
<i>Smithville</i> , by Rev G W Moore—Colls	

<i>Columbia</i> , by Rev J W J Harris—Colls	72 00
<i>Lenoir</i> , by Rev D McDonald,—colls,	67 17
<i>Santee</i> , by Rev A W Walker—St Marks 13.50, St Paul's to make Rev S Owens 1 m 20, Summerton to make Rev J R Felder 20, avails of needlework by Mrs Lawrence 2; other colls 7.75; total,	63 25
<i>Fayetteville</i> , by Rev S Jones—Colls	52 50
<i>Shelby</i> , by Rev R P Franks,—coll's,	46 00
<i>Pendleton</i> , by Rev M Puckett—Colls	45 00
<i>Lincolnton</i> , by Rev C Murchison,—coll's,	40 50
<i>Paris Mountain</i> , by Rev A McGilvray,	37 00
<i>Morganton</i> , by Rev J L Shuford—Colls	36 00
<i>Rutherford</i> , by Rev J R Pickett—Colls	35 83
<i>Black River</i> , by Rev J M Bradley—Colls	30 60
<i>Yorkville</i> , by Rev J L Shuford—Colls	30 00
<i>Spartanburg</i> , by Rev S D Laney—Colls	28 50
<i>Greenville</i> , by Rev J Watts—Colls	22 62
<i>Catawba</i> , by Rev W C Clarke, col's,	14 80
<i>Conwayboro</i> ,—donation by Rev W L Philips 5; coll's 7.20,	12 20
<i>Pickens</i> , by Rev J Finger—Colls	12 00

*Anniversary Collection*, on the proposition to send an additional Missionary to China—W L Pegues 50, making Walter Leak esq and lady 1 m's; W M Wightman 25, making Mrs T S Ashe 1 m; C Betts 25, to make Mrs Jos Smith 1 m; Prof Shipp 25, to make Mrs Wm Barringer 1 m; W Barringer 25; Whiteford Smith 20, to make self 1 m; A W Walker 20, to make Mrs S W Capers 1 m; W A M'Swain 20, to make Rev A B Smith 1 m; H A C Walker 20; J P Smith 20; C S Walker 20; J W Kelly 20, to make G F Spencer 1 m; A McCorquodale 20; to make Mrs E J McClellan 1 m; Samuel Spencer 20; W Cook 15, with W G Connor, R J Boyd and J A Porter each 5, to make Mrs N Boggan 1 m; Geo Ledbetter 15; J H Wheeler 10; Mrs Joseph Smith 10; J M Bradley 10, to make Mrs J M Bradley 1 m; J Hill 10; Bishop Paine 10, to make himself 1 m S C Conf Soc; J Stacy, 10; T E Leadbetter 10; C H Pritchard 10; N Talley 10; W Martin 10; Mrs C McCorquodale 10; C Wilson 5; J Little 5; Miss A E Pickett 5; J W Leak 5; J W J Harris 5; P G Bowman 5; J T Wightman 3; Mrs Legrand 5; S P Taylor 5; Dr Miller 5; S Leard 5; W Carson 5; J Parker 5; A L Smith 5; J A Minick 5; D Derrick 5; D D Cox 5; J Finger 5; S H Browne 5; W C Patterson 5; from the following, 5 each, to make Bishop Paine and lady 1 m's: J Stacy, T R Walsh, N Talley, S Green, P H Pickett, W C Patterson, C Murchison, and J P Smith; Mrs N Boggan 5; Mrs Dr Watkins 5; Rev R J Ledbetter 5; O A Chrietzberg 5; J C Blake 2 50; R M Richardson 2 50; J H Robinson and H H Durant 5 each, to make Bp Paine's youngest son 1 m Conf Soc; E L King 5; S M Green 5; Dr Lee 5; M Eaddy 5; D G McDaniel 5; A P Martin 5; L M Little 5; J H Zimmerman 5; A G Stacy 5; W A Gamewell 5; E J Meynardie 10; A M Rush 5; W Barringer 6; J P Smith 5; W W Jones 5; C H Pritchard 1; O A Chrietzberg 1; R P Franks 1; J T Wightman 2; J H Robinson 1; 10 from the following, to make Mrs Plunkitt 1 m Conf Society, Wheeler, Shuford, Hughes, Kilgo, Browne, Avant, Eaddy, A L Smith, Plyler, C Smith; H Spain 2; Col Pickett 1; to make Dr Taylor's youngest child 1 m; W L Pegues and lady 4; S P Taylor 1; A McCorquodale 1; J Finger 1; T E Leadbetter 1; Boon 1; Bradley 1; L A Johnson 1, to make Rev John Hank 1 m Conf Soc; Boyd 1; Carson 1; Seal 1; McSwain 1; Forster 1; O A Chrietzberg 1; Mitchell 1; Taylor 1; Lee 1; T Jenkins 1; 20 from the following, to make ———— 1 m, J R Pickett 5, J H Robinson 4, W Hutto 2, Ashe 1, S Dunwody 2, Hunt 1, Dr Smith 1, Shuford 1, Scarborough 1, Kendall 1, Avant 1; Mrs Sturtevant and Mrs Mendenhall were made 1 m's by the donations of D Derrick, Dr Lee, and T E Leadbetter. In cash from various contributors, names not ascertained at the time, 83. Hat collection 22.66.—Total 906.66.

## DONATIONS.

Free col'd female miss'y soc. Trinity Church, by M. Langdon,	\$31 50
Female juvenile miss'y soc'y, by the same,	51 50
By Mr. Neville,	1 00
By B Welch,	5 00

## LEGACIES.

Legacy of N Bramlet, dec'd, by Rev D Derrick,	75 87
Legacy of E C Bellinger, dec'd, by L B Northrop, Esq,	50 00
Legacy of John Parker dec'd, by H D Lesesne, Esq,	250 00
January and July Dividends on Missionary Stock, by R Bryce, Esq,	17 50

## RECAPITULATION.

From Missions,	\$4759 60	
“ Circuits,	9404 27	
“ Stations,	2160 86	
“ Legacies and donations,	482 37	
“ Anniversary,	906 66	
Total,		<u>\$17,713 76</u>

1850.

Dec. 23, By Drafts of Bishop Paine,  
 cashed in favor of C. Betts,  
 T R Walsh, S W Capers,  
 and S Leard first instalment,  
 for missions in the Charles-  
 ton, Georgetown, Columbia,  
 and Cokesbury districts,

\$3,293 75

In Treasurer's hands, to meet  
 remaining drafts, and for the  
 General Treasury,

14,420 01

Total,

\$17,713 76