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of the

South Carolina Annual Conference

of ministers of the

Methodist Episcopal Church, South

Nov. 28 - Dec. 3, 1888

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OF THE
ONE HUNDRED AND THIRD SESSION
OF THE
SOUTH CAROLINA ANNUAL CONFERENCE,
OF THE
METHODIST EPISCOPAL CHURCH, SOUTH,
HELD IN
WINNSBORO, S. C., NOVEMBER 29-DECEMBER 3, 1888.
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I.

Conference Officers, Boards, Etc.

OFFICERS OF THE CONFERENCE.
Bishop John C. Kneiser, D. D. ........................................... President,
H. F. Chreitzborg ....................................................... Secretary.
John C. Kiloo and Larry F. Beatty ................................... Assistant.
Thos. Charleston Ligon .................................................. Statistical Secretary.
W. A. Betts ...................................................................... Assistant.

Legal Conference.
S. B. Jones, President; J. O. Wilson, First Vice-President; J. M. Boyd, Second Vice-President; T. G. Herbert, Third Vice-President; A. J. Caulthen, Fourth Vice-President; L. F. Beatty, Secretary; W. K. Blake, Treasurer. Managers—W. K. Blake, Geo. W. Williams, George Cofield, J. W. Carlisle, and R. E. Allison.

Board of Education.

Board of Missions.

Board of Trustees—Belle Fund.

Sunday School Board.

Historical Society.

Joint Board of Finance.

Board of Colportage.

Church Extension Board.
J. W. Murray, President; J. G. Chinkscales, Esq., Secretary; George W. Williams, Treasurer; G. T. Harmon, C. D. Mann, J. B. Wilson, A. J. Stafford, A. C. Dibble, Esq., A. M. Bozor, Esq.

Conference Brotherhood.
A. M. Chreitzborg, President; A. J. Caulthen, Vice-President; S. Lander, D. D., Secretary and Treasurer.

TRUSTEES OF OUR INSTITUTIONS OF LEARNING.
Wofford College.
George W. Williams, President; W. K. Blake, Secretary.
Lay—Dr. Benjamin Wofford, Spencer M. Rice, David R. Dunau, John W. Carlisle.

Columbia Female College.
Lay—J. A. Elkins, W. A. Black, Grandison Williams, R. H. Jennings.
Ex-officio—The Presiding Elder of the Columbia District, and the Preachers in Charge of Washington Street and Marion Street Churches.

Cokesbury Conference School.
The Presiding Elder of Cokesbury District; the Preachers in Charge of Cokesbury Circuit, Greenwood Station, Donald's Circuit and Abbeville Station ex-officio, with Messrs. W. A. Moore, G. W. Connor and C. L. Smith.

Committees of Examination.
First Year—J. M. Pike, G. M. Boyd, W. B. Richardson, H. F. Chreitzborg.

Publishing Committee Southern Christian Advocate.

John O. Wilson was elected to deliver the Annual Address before the Historical Society at the next session of Conference.
MINUTES
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SOUTH CAROLINA ANNUAL CONFERENCE.

JOURNAL OF PROCEEDINGS.

FIRST DAY—WEDNESDAY.

WINNSBORO, S. C., NOVEMBER 28, 1888,

The South Carolina Annual Conference of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, convened in the Opera House in Winnsboro, S. C., at 9.30 o'clock A. M. to-day, with Bishop John C. Keener, D. D., presiding. The opening religious service was conducted by the Bishop.

The Secretary of the last Session called the roll of members, and 141 clerical and 20 lay delegates answered to their names.

H. F. Christberg was re-elected Secretary, and, upon his nomination, John C. Kilgo and Leroy F. Beatty were elected Assistants. The Charlton Ligon was elected Statistical Secretary, with W. A. Betts Assistant.

9.30 A. M. 1.30 P. M. were selected as the hours of meeting and adjournment.

The bar of the Conference was fixed.

The Presiding Elders nominated and the Conference elected the following Standing Committees:

Books and Periodicals.—A. H. Lester, H. Baer, S. M. Rice, Sr., J.

The parchment of Gabriel I. Wayne were, at his own request, presented to the Conference by J. J. Stokes.

B. J. Bouknight was appointed to receive the collections for Minutes.

W. A. Leake was substituted in place of W. S. Morrison from the Greenville District, J. A. Sprott and J. F. Woodward in place of N. T. and R. O. Purdy from the Sumter District.

A communication from Rev. W. C. Dunlap, Commissioner of Paine Institute, was read and referred to the Board of Education.

E. S. Carlisle, through A. J. Stokes, presented a bond of $10,000 on the Fitting School of Wofford College, to be applied to the Superannuated preacher’s fund, which was referred to Joint Board of Finance.

Rev. D. E. Jordan of the Presbyterian Church, Rev. J. T. Chalmers of the A. R. P. Church, and Rev. Christian Keener of the Holston Conference were introduced.

The examination of character was entered upon and the names of Superannuents and Superannuaries were called, their characters passed, and they were referred to the Committee on Conference Relations for continuance in their present relations, excepting J. C. Bissell, who was left effective.

The name of J. T. Kilgo was called, and, upon announcement by his Presiding Elder that he had died during the year, was referred to the Committee on Memoirs.

Rev. W. A. Galves was introduced.

On motion of A. J. Stafford, it was ordered, that to-morrow, November 29th, Conference adjourn at 12 M. in order that Thanksgiving Day may be observed with appropriate service, and that the Presiding Bishop be requested to preach.

Six local preachers were elected to Deacon’s Orders. (See condensed minutes.)

Rev. E. M. Merritt of the Methodist Protestant Church applied, in due form, for recognition of orders, which was granted.


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SESSION OF 1888.

WINNSBORO, S. C., November 29, 1888.

Conference convened at 9.30 o'clock A. M., Bishop Keener in the chair. S. H. Brown conducted the devotional service.

The Journal of yesterday's session was read and approved.

Reports of the Columbia Female College and Cokesbury Conference School were referred, without being read, to the Board of Education.

The Report of the Board of Education was made the special order for to-morrow, at eleven o'clock.

Nine clerical and two lay delegates reported, and took their seats.

Rev. J. B. Hulckey, of the A. R. P. Church, was introduced.

Alpheus W. Atway, M. L. Carlisle, J. A. Hie, P. L. Kirton, C. W. Creighton, having stood approved examinations in the prescribed course of study, their characters passed, and they were advanced to the class of the Fourth year.

The examination of character was resumed, and the names of the preachers of the Charleston, Columbia and part of the Chester Districts were called, and their characters passed.

Rev. J. W. Woffing, of the Brazil Mission Conference, was introduced.

J. E. Watson applied for a supernumerary relation.

The names of M. A. Combs, J. Caldwel, J. J. Nev., &c., were referred to the Committee on Conference Relations for Superannuation.

By order of the Conference the following telegrams were sent:
WINNSBORO, S. C., November 30, 1888.

To the Baptist State Convention, Orangeburg, S. C.:

J. C. KEENER, President.

H. F. CREITZBERG, Secretary.

WINNSBORO, S. C., November 30, 1888.

To Bishop Granbery, New Bern, N. C.:
The South Carolina Conference, Bishop Keener presiding, to the North Carolina Conference, Christian salutation and brotherly love. "The best of all is, God is with us." J. C. KEENER, President.

H. F. CREITZBERG, Secretary.

Announcements were made, and Conference adjourned with the stanza, "O to grace how great a debtor," and the benediction by the Bishop.

FOURTH DAY—SATURDAY.

WINNSBORO, S. C., December 1, 1888.

Conference convened at 9.30 o'clock, Bishop Keener in the Chair. Opening service was conducted by O. A. Darby. Journal of yesterday's session was read and approved.

Rev. G. G. Smith, D. D., of the North Georgia Conference, was introduced.

On motion of W. D. Kirkland, the paper concerning the bequest of Mrs. Sarah J. Rogers was adopted.

Wm. Martin presented the report of the Committee on the Bible Cause, which was adopted. (See Reports.)

The examination of character was resumed, and the names of the rest of the preachers of the Chester District, the Cokesbury, and part of the Sumter Districts were passed.

Reports No. 1, 2, 3, and 4 of the Joint Board of Finance were presented by J. F. Bresden. Sidi H. Browne waived his claim upon the Conference Fund. An amendment was adopted giving to J. C. Bissell $50.00 additional, and the balance of $35.00 to W. W. Mood. The reports were then adopted. (See Reports.)

An afternoon session was ordered.

Wm. Martin was granted leave of absence for the remainder of the session.

The Bishop was requested to appoint Wm. Martin Chaplain to the Penitentiary.

The doxology was sung, and Conference adjourned with the benediction by the Bishop.

FOURTH DAY—AFTERNOON SESSION.

WINNSBORO, S. C., December 1, 1888.

Conference convened at 3.30 o'clock, Dr. Samuel B. Jones, by appointment of the Bishop, in the Chair. John W. Humbert conducted the devotional service.

Minutes of the morning session were read and approved.

The examination of character was resumed, and the names of the preachers on the Sumter, Florence, and Marion Districts were called and their characters passed.

J. R. Little was located at his own request.

On motion the vote, by which M. W. Hook was discontinued at his own request, was reconsidered, and he was continued in the class of the First Year.

The following telegrams were received and read:

NEW BERN, N. C., December 1, 1888.

To Bishop Keener:
The North Carolina Conference, Bishop Granbery presiding, returns to the South Carolina Conference Christian salutations and brotherly love. "God is our refuge and strength." J. C. GRANBERY, President.

D. W. BAIN, Secretary.

ORANGEBURG, S. C., December 1, 1888.

To the Methodist Conference:
We reciprocate your devout wishes; read our desires in Ephesians, iii: 14, 19.

J. C. FURMAN, For Baptist State Convention.

Examination of character was continued, the names of the preachers of the Orangeburg District were called, their characters examined and passed.

The doxology was sung, and Conference adjourned with the benediction by the President.

FIFTH DAY—SUNDAY.

The annual Love Feast, conducted by Rev. Samuel Leard, was held at 9.30 A. M. at the Opera House.
At the close of the 11 o'clock service conducted by Bishop Keener, the ordination of those elected to Deacon's Orders took place.

A Sunday School mass-meeting was held at 3:30 o'clock in the afternoon. Addresses were made by Rev. J. W. Wooling of the Brazil Mission Conference, Rev. Christian Keener of the Hobson Conference, and Dr. Jas. H. Carlisle of Wofford College.

Rev. Jesse A. Cliffon preached at the Methodist church at 3:30 P.M., and at the close of the service Bishop Keener ordained those elected to Elder's Orders.

The pupils of the evangelical churches of Winnsboro were occupied by members of the Conference.

SIXTH DAY—MONDAY.

WINNSBORO, S. C., December 8, 1888.

Conference convened at 9:30 o'clock, Bishop Keener in the Chair.

Henry M. Mood conducted the opening service.

The Minutes of Saturday afternoon's session and Sunday's services, were read and approved.


Also, in the afternoon of the same day, at the Methodist Church, he ordained the following named preachers Elders: Traveling, Marlon Dargan, Whiteford M. Duncan, Jno. S. Mattison, Geo. H. Waddell, Jas. C. Young and Jas. R. Betts. Local, Geo. R. Shaffer and Wesley E. Bailey.

The examination of character was resumed, and the names of the preachers of the Greenville and Spartanburg Districts were called, and their characters examined and passed, with the exception of S. J. McLeod, whose case was left in the hands of his Presiding Elder.

Letters were read from Rev. Whiteford Smith, D. D., and Rev. E. T. Hodges.

The report on the Southern Christian Advocate was read by John O. Willson and was adopted.

D. D. Dantzler presented the report on Conference Relations, which was adopted. (See Questions 17 and 18, condensed minutes.)

A. J. Stafford submitted the report on Church Extension, which was adopted. (See Reports.)

W. A. Rogers read the report of the Sunday School Board, which was adopted. (See Reports.)

Rev. A. McC. Pittman, of the Baptist Church, was introduced.

SOUTH CAROLINA ANNUAL CONFERENCE.

WINNSBORO, S. C., December 8, 1888.

Conference convened at 3:30 o'clock, Bishop Keener in the Chair. J. M. Boyd conducted the opening service.

R. H. Lester read the report on Books and Periodicals, which was adopted. (See Reports.)

R. D. Smart read the report on District Conference Journals, which was adopted. (See Reports.)

The report on Temperance, presented and read by W. S. Martin, was adopted. (See Reports.)

The report of Committee on Minutes was read by W. A. Betts, and was adopted. (See Reports.)

J. E. Carlisle presented the final report of the Board of Missions, which was adopted. (See Reports.)

Caumen was selected for the next session of Conference.

The Statistical Secretary made his report, giving answers to Questions 21, 22, 23, 24, 25, 26, 27, 28, 29, 30, 31, 32, 33. (See condensed minutes.)

The Conference was then called by the Bishop to observe a memorial service in memory of the late James T. Kilgo. A suitable hymn was sung, and George M. Boyd read the report of the Committee on Memoirs. After remarks by A. J. Stokes, J. S. Beasley, A. J. Cauthen, Samuel B. Jones, Wm. W. Mood, D. W. Scale, Charles B. Smith and W. M. Hardin, the report was adopted.

An afternoon's session was ordered for 3:30 o'clock.

The Minutes of this day's session were read and approved.

Conference adjourned with the benediction by the Bishop.

SIXTH DAY—AFTERNOON SESSION.

WINNSBORO, S. C., December 8, 1888.

Conference convened at 3:30 o'clock, Bishop Keener in the Chair.

Rev. A. J. Stafford submitted the report of the Joint Board of Finance, apportioning the assessments for 1889 upon the Districts, which was adopted.

Walter Mos. Zimmerman was discontinued at his own request.

The Joint Board of Finance for 1889 was announced. (See Conference Officers and Boards.)

Resolutions of thanks to the citizens of Winnsboro were offered by R. D. Smart and H. H. Browne, and were unanimously adopted.

A communication from Dr. D. Morton, Secretary of Board of Church Extension, was read and handed to the President of Conference Board of Church Extension.

The business of the Conference having been finished, the Minutes of this afternoon's session were read and adopted.

The Bishop addressed the Conference, and announced the appointments for 1889. (See Appointments.)

Conference adjourned sine die, with the doxology, and the benediction by the Bishop. (Signed) J. C. KEENER, President.

(Signed) H. F. CREITZBERG, Secretary.
III.

CONDENSED MINUTES.

Minutes of the South Carolina Conference of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, held at Winnsboro, S. C., beginning November 28, and ending December 3, 1888.

BISHOP JOHN C. KENNER, D. D., President.

H. F. CHREITZBERG, Secretary.

1. Who are admitted on trial? Nicholas G. Ballinger, Benjamin Olander Berry, Thomas M. Dent, William S. B. Ford, Pierce E. Kilgo, Benjamin T. Lucas, Allan McFarlan, Henry C. Monzon, Geo. R. Shaffer, Robert E. Stockehouse, Ellis P. Taylor, E. Alton Wilkes, W. Asbury Wright, Maxey W. Hook, (the last named was continued from Class of 1887, -1.)


3. Who are discontinued? Walter McS. Zimmerman.—2.


5. Who are re-admitted? Edgar L. Archer.—1.

6. Who are received by transfer from other Conferences? Jas. R. Betts, Marion Dorgan, Whiteford M. Duncan, John S. Mattison, George H. Waddell, James C. Yongue.—6.


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22. How many infants have been baptized during the year? 2,302.

23. How many adults have been baptized during the year? 1,281.


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IV.

APPOINTMENTS FOR 1889.

CHARLESTON DISTRICT.

J. Marion Boyd, P. E. 3

Charleston: Trinity, H. R. Wells 2; Berkeley, R. H. Smart 2; Spring Street J. C. Carlisle 2; Summerville, J. B. Crowne 2; Branchville, J. E. Turley 2; Charleston, H. R. Whittington 2; Summerville, J. B. Campbell 2; Columbia, B. A. Cathcart 2; Berkeley, J. R. Whitehead 1; Summerville, A. E. Whitman 1; Allendale, J. E. White 1; Walterboro, W. W. Williams 1; Hampton, A. J. Ross 1; Summerville, J. E. Reynolds 3; C. J. Watson, Superintendence; North Georgia, E. L. Hadley 1; Colleton, W. H. Ariail 1; Round Pond, W. W. Williams 1; Walterboro Station, C. W. Godbold 1; Walterboro, J. C. Young 1; Hampton, B. E. Price 1; Allendale, J. E. White 1; Black Swamp, J. Ware Brown 2; Hardeeville, To be supplied by W. R. Buchanan 1; Beaufort, A. H. Lester 1.

COLUMBIA DISTRICT.

S. B. Jones, P. E. 1

Columbia, Washington Street, W. W. Richardson 4; Marion Street, M. Burgan 2; Huger Street, B. P. Brown 1; Winnsboro, W. M. Dunham 1; Fairfield, J. C. Noll 1; Blythewood, J. M. Hodge 1; Lexington Park, J. W. Edris 1; Lexington, J. W. Newby 1; Batesburg, Alston McRady 1; Johnston, J. H. Wilson 1; Edgefield, B. P. Franks 3; Upper Pineland, W. H. Lawton 1; Graniteville and Langley, W. A. Betts 2; Aiken, H. H. Jones 1; Chaplin's, Pendleton, W. M. Martin 8; Columbia Female College, W. A. Darby, President; Fine Institute, W. G. Walker, President; Editor So. Christian Advocate, W. D. Kirkland, 1

CHESER DISTRICT.

A. M. Christberg, P. E. 4

Chester, B. F. Christberg 2; Chester, J. B. Traywick 2; Richburg, J. T. Harmon 2; Rock Hill, J. H. Attenway 2; North Rock Hill, J. W. McRee 2; York, W. W. Daniel 1; La. A. Johnson, Superintendent; Black's, J. A. Stafford 1; King's Mountain, J. H. Kerley 2; Fort Mill, J. E. Price 2; Lancaster, J. F. Kilgo 2; Lancaster, J. L. Supplied by J. B. Copeland 1; Tradeville, J. B. Platt 2; Chesterfield, J. B. Taylor 2; Jefferson, B. D. Lacco 1.

COOKESBURY DISTRICT.

A. J. Cauthen, P. E. 2

Cokesbury, B. Z. Danforth 1; Greenvale, A. Steedman 1; Ninety-Six, W. P. Meadors 2; Donaldson, H. E. Dugan 1; Allendale, I. E. Besty 2; Abbeville, J. E. Berry 1; Abbeville, A. F. Berry 1; McElwaine, W. J. Barks 1; Lowndesville, W. S. Martin 1; Teamblain, W. A. Clark 2; Waterboro, J. C. Chandler 1; North Edgefield, J. M. Whittington 1; Newberry, W. M. Whitman 1; Newberry, C. M. Bradham 1; Kinard's, J. F. Taylor 2; Saluda, H. H. Craig 1; Lancaster, J. W. Price 1; Summerville, W. M. Hardin 1; Parkville, J. H. Pooser 1.

ORANGEBURG DISTRICT.

T. J. Clyde, P. E. 8

Orangeburg, G. W. Watson 1; Orangeburg, J. E. Trout 2; Lower St. Matthews, L. S. Silly 1; Pawnea, J. H. Druilier 2; Branchville, P. F. Kistler 1; Bamberg and Bovard's Bridge, J. L. Stoakes 2; Graham's, F. T. Carter 1; Edisto, W. W. Carter 1; Upper Edisto, B. M. Ferguson 2; Blythewood, J. E. Trout 2; Boiling Springs, J. F. Carter 1; Orangeburg, J. M. Poole 1; Walterboro, J. B. Druilier 1.

SOUTH CAROLINA ANNUAL CONFERENCE.

GREENVILLE DISTRICT.

J. Walter Dockson, P. E. 4

Greenville, J. O. Wilson 2; Greenville, J. J. Prime 2; Reidville, G. R. Skoff 1; North Greenville, A. C. Walker 3; Pickens, J. B. Clark 1; E. W. Babler 1; Oconee Mission, J. N. Wright 1; Clinton, W. L. Carter 2.

SPARTANBURG DISTRICT.

T. G. Herbert, P. E. 3

Spartanburg, J. A. Clifton 4; R. C. Oliver, Superintendent; Union, T. E. Smith, Superintendent; Union, J. E. Smith, Superintendent; Union, E. A. Gilbert 2; Laurens, W. W. Jones 2; Laurens, J. C. Counts 3; Clinton, J. E. McShane 1; West Union, S. D. Atty 1; Campbellel, J. P. Atty 2; Parrott, R. W. Betts 1; Clifton, T. N. Deff 1; Wofford College, A. G. Smith, Professor 3; J. C. Kilgo, Financial Agent 1.

TRANSFERRED.

H. G. Warner to North Carolina Conference; P. L. Kerin to Alabama Conference; P. B. Starcher to Mississippi Conference and stationed at Ukiah.

SUPERANNUATED.

REPORT ON EDUCATION.

Methodism, in the beginning, advanced individual responsibility, the duty of original investigation and personal conviction. Whenever she moved thought was awakened, error, through heavy with age and long assented to, was proven or no; and, as God has called upon us to stimulate thought, and to encourage all investigation of truth. In due, therefore, to keep pace with all advances in knowledge, and to use it for all enrichment of character in all that is good, useful, and learning must never be divided; the Church, therefore, must educate and train the young for God and holiness. The demand is upon us and all the means. An education may not be equal to moral education; and though our facilities for education are limited, we must demand, yet that is not beyond the ability of our Church to execute. Our Church can take care of her youth, if she will. There is still another great cause in many places, but this only emphasizes the need of greater effort.

In the providence of God we have not to plan what shall be done. That is not. Wofford College and Columbia Female College are already ours. They accomplish what is individually their, and what can be accomplished addition in every respect. The Colle
city of the Hall is insufficient to the demands of the Board, and will be enmpletetl Ly the first or next day. When complete, it will furnish accommodations for forty-five young men, where they will be able to obtain board at its minimum cost.

REPORTS.

V.

SOUTHWARK ANNUAL CONFERENCE.

But notwithstanding the increased patronage, the finances of the College are not in a good condition as last year. The Board of Trustees, at their last session, reduced tuition from sixty to forty dollars per annum. The patronage has not been sufficient to make the deficit created by the reduction pay off, and the loss falls heavily upon the Faculty.

In view of these facts, your Board believes there should be a change of provisions in the Education of candidates for the ministry at Wofford College. The Church is better able to bear the expense of the education of these young men than the Faculty of Wofford.

Your Board therefore recommend the adoption of the following plan:

District Board of Education.

At each District Conference next ensuing this Annual Conference, seven laymen shall be elected, by ballot, to serve for two years as a District Board of Education, and they shall be ex-officio members of the District Conference. To this Board the Presiding Elder shall add, by appointment, three traveling preachers; and he shall have authority to fill all vacancies occurring in the Board, either elected or lay.

1. It shall be the duty of this Board to examine thoroughly into the case of any applicant for benevolency aid in preparing for the ministry at Wofford College, and no student shall be admitted to the College, as a candidate, who does not bring with him the written certificate of the District Board of Education of the District from which he comes, signed by the President and Secretary.

2. It shall be the duty of each District Board to render a report of their proceedings, in writing, to the District Conference.

3. It shall be the duty of each District Board, in conjunction with the Circuit Board, hereafter in each Board, to present in writing to the third Quarterly Conference, under question 1, a report of their work during the last year.

In response to a request made by the Trustees of Wofford College, your Board recommend the adoption of the following:

The Confession of Faith, 1st, That the Conference be required to appoint an Advisory Board, consisting of one person from each county in the State, who shall be elected good name for two years. Next the said board to have in addition to the Board of Trust, named in the will of Benjamin Wofford, in the charter of the College.

That it shall be the special duty of the members of said Board, in the respective sessions of the State in which they may reside, to give all the time possible to the work of enlisting interest in, and obtaining patronage for, Wofford College. It shall be their duty to attend meetings of the Trustees, and make it their special business to be present, and meet with the regular Board at all Annual Communications of the Institution.

Receipt, 2d, That the Advisory Board for the year 1849 and 1850 shall con sist of the following annual persons:

J. D. Miller, Sumter.
Wm. Stokes, Hampton.
J. N. Colombe, Alton.
N. P. Pardy, Kershaw.
R. E. Hill, Anderson.
B. F. Miller, Lancaster.
H. J. Brabham, Barnwell.
W. H. Lockwood, Beaufort.
Dr. B. A. Muckenfuss, Beckley.
Dr. E. B. Eier, Charleston.
J. G. Paterson, Chester.
R. T. Custard, Chesterfield.
Dr. R. M. Hugger, Charleston.
Benjamin Greve, Colleton.
Geo. W. Brown, Darlington.
P. L. Wright, Edgefield.
R. H. Jennings, Fairfield.
A. M. Hall, Georgetown.
H. P. Hummert, Greenville.
R. G. Collins, Henry.

Revised, That an assessment of four thousand dollars be laid upon the Conference for the support of the College during the ensuing year.

Columbia Female College.

This institution has been sustained upon the best of the present scholastic year with very flattering prospects. With a force of thirteen officers and teachers, it has eighty-two boarding pupils and forty day scholars. This total of and boarding, science, music, and art departments are now well furnished for the comfort and higher education of young women, as any similar institution in the State. The building and furniture are fully insured against loss by fire.

The interest on the bonds of the college is paid to date. Within the last five years the debt of the college has been reduced by the amount of thirty-five hundred dollars and arrangements have been made by the Board of Trustees with the President of the College, by which one hundred dollars bond can be retired every month.
The work of the college in various departments is constantly improving. This is effected by the more earnest work of the pupils, the greater diligence of the teachers, an improved curriculum, and a higher grade of scholarship.

The following named persons are recommended as Trustees of the Columbia Female College:


Ec-Cities.—The Presiding Elder of the Columbia District, and the Preachers in charge of the Washington Street Church.

Cokesbury Conference School.

This school has closed another successful year of work. The number of pupils has been about as usual, sixty-three having been enrolled during the year. Some of them have entered college, others are preparing to enter, most of them, however, are in the primary studies.

Eighty-five dollars have been spent upon repairs. Mr. C. C. Reed has been re-elected Rector for the ensuing year.

SOUTH CAROLINA ANNUAL CONFERENCE.

South Carolina Annual Conference.

Mr. James B. Scudder, Limestone.

Resolved, That this institution has entered upon the work of the present scholastic year with fifty-three students and forty day scholars. The total of one hundred and fifty, with very flattering prospects. With a force of thirteen officers and twelve teachers, makes the attendance larger than for many previous years.

The College Board and trustees are in good condition. The boarding, science, music, and art departments are now well furnished for the comfort and higher education of young women, as any similar institution in the State. The building and furniture are fully insured against loss by fire.

The interest on the bonds of the college is paid to date. Within the last five years the debt of the college has been reduced by the amount of thirty-five hundred dollars and arrangements have been made by the Board of Trustees with the President of the College, by which one hundred dollars bond can be retired every month.
The work of the college in various departments is constantly improving. This is effected by the more earnest work of the pupils, the greater diligence of the teachers, an improved curriculum, and a higher grade of scholarship.

The following named persons are recommended as Trustees of the Columbia Female College:


Ec-Cities.—The Presiding Elder of the Columbia District, and the Preachers in charge of the Washington Street Church.

Cokesbury Conference School.

This school has closed another successful year of work. The number of pupils has been about as usual, sixty-three having been enrolled during the year. Some of them have entered college, others are preparing to enter, most of them, however, are in the primary studies.

Eighty-five dollars have been spent upon repairs. Mr. C. C. Reed has been re-elected Rector for the ensuing year.

Palme and Lane Institutes.

After a careful consideration of the petition submitted by the Board of Trustees of the Palme and Lane Institute, your Board recommends that the amount, as far as possible, be raised by voluntary subscriptions from the Conference.

Appointments.

H. F. Krueger is appointed to fill the vacancy in Committee of Examination of First Year in place of E. Titus Hedges, transferred.

W. J. Montgomery is recommended to take the place of C. A. Woods on the Sunday School Board.
The Bishop is requested to make the following appointments:

Rev. A. Coke Scott, Professor in Wofford College.
Rev. O. A. Darby, President of Columbia Female College.
Rev. Sam'l Lamb, President of Williamson Female College.
O. A. Darby, Secretary.
REPORT OF THE PUBLISHING COMMITTEE. (S. C. ADVOCATE.)

To the South Carolina Conference:

The Publishing Committee of the Southern Christian Advocate is pleased to report that our Conference organ has had another prosperous year. The circulation has greatly increased and exceeds that of any previous period.

The Advocate has firmly verified its progress. It is unquestionably one of the best papers in religious journalism, and is valued far and near.

The Committee repeats the statement that the publisher, Mr. C. Calvo, Jr., has continued to do all, and more than his contract requires; and that he has helped to make our paper what it is by using first class material, by providing skilful workmanship, and by prompt and business-like management.

Our editor, the Rev. W. D. Kirkland, has sustained his splendid record of past years. His editorials have been on living subjects and have been fresh, able and effective—now and then most tender and touching. His shorter writings have been strong and pointed. He has continued to furnish profitable communications from gifted correspondents. Several of our Bishops have contributed occasional articles of great value. We have also evidence that these contributions of our chief pastors have been appreciated by our people.

The Sunday School articles of Dr. J. E. Carlin do get better and better. So also, does the literary department, which takes rank with similar departments of the foremost and most liberally sustained papers of our country.

The selections made by the editor have been excellent, and suited to the current of the day. Sometimes the thought of readers has been lately encroached upon by discussions of important events in the world. The Committee has felt it due to hold briefly to these matters, for the publisher and editor have firmly disclaimed on "World's" and there is no other reason by which they can be assured that the Conference, and those the Conference represents, are of such opinion.

Your Committee has authorized the royalty account, as in former years, and find all correct. The receipts and expenditures are all properly vouched.

In conclusion, the Committee renew the recommendation of last year—that all of its heartily expect our own Advocate, and endeavor to increase its circulation; and that definite effort to reach 200 subscribers be continued during the coming year. Mr. Calvo's offer to assist the Conference fifty cents for every paying subscriber over a thousand is continued, and should inspire meacing activity. Faithful work by all of us will do it.

Respectfully submitted,

W. M. MARTIN, Chairman.
things that everybody already knows, with the hope that by frequent repetition an effectual impression may be made on the mind, and the desired results be realized in the life. It is on this account that it is deemed necessary to insist in this brief report to insist on what no one can be supposed to deny, namely, the exceeding value and importance of good and wholesome literature and publications that are attractive, instructive, elevating and sanctifying in their influence.

In these days, more than ever before, "of the making of many books there is no end," it seems indispensable that the issues of the religious press be of the very best kind, furnished in great abundance, offered at a low price, and executed, in proper and legitimate ways upon the reading public with as much zeal and industry, as possible. The demoralizing character of much of the fiction, newspaper and magazine publications of the time, and anti-Christian speculations of skeptical scientists, and the often misleading, however erudite, vituperous, both higher and lower, of the sacred books of the Bible—all demand of the church the utmost vigilance and activity in efforts to counteract these evil influences.

We do not usually consider as we ought the wonderful power that is exerted on the mind, especially of the young, by the printed page. No earthly arithmetic can enable us adequately to calculate the influence of the sacred teacher that the youth holds in his hand. The voice of the unseen author comes to the interior ear in hours of retirement and undisturbed solitude, and seems to come from such a high plane of scholarship and intellectual ascendency as gives an idea of commanding authority, and produces results great and lasting upon the character and life of the young reader. Herein it is, in view of these facts, to know that in many families there is often found more or less of worthless, time-wasting and even corrupting literature—books, papers, &c., made up of unforgettable facts, idle gossip, details of crime, false presentations of truth and much else unholy and unwise. While, perhaps, not a single copy of any issue of the religious periodical press is to be seen. There are three times a day papers around the family board to crown homely fare upon insipid and ill-prepared food, that they should seek to satisfy their intellectual and moral wants with such vituperation. It is the pleasing duty of your Committee to make a most gratifying report of the condition of our publishing interests.

The time appears no to be at hand when improvements and reforms long desired and promised for are to be realized. The House in Charleston is no longer encumbered with debt, but declares a dividend of five thousand dollars—indeed, in his Second Annual Report, in compliance with the Sixth "Restrictive Rule" of the Discipline, the volume of business for the fiscal year ending April 30, 1866, was $29,096, and the net surplus $3,017. The board Committee has directed certain expenditures to be made to increase the facilities for the medical department of the Hospital. The amount thus appropriated is $2,800 for the care of the incurable and $1,200 for the Sunday-school department. The Rev. has been changed from a biennial to a quarterly, and while the labors and gifts of the friends deserves the highest thanks of the Church for the good work that he has done, he will doubtless be able to add to the value and attractiveness of the publication to some extent by the small sums just named, and it is hoped a liberal patronage will place at his command, in the future, still larger amounts to be offered for contributions to its pages, thereby entailing a greater stimulus to the able writers in its service.

We earnestly commend to the favor and patronage of the people the various periodical publications of the Charleston Publishing House, namely, the Quarterly Review, the Christian Advocate and the Sunday School Magazine, the latter of which are copiously and beautifully illustrated with original engravings of the best authorship, and are issued in good form and style. The book publications of the house also command admiring attention, and it is hoped the sales will continue to increase year by year. The elegant volumes of Summer's Systematic Theology do great credit to the house, and give striking proof of its capacity for doing the best work on a large scale. The Sunday School Library issued by the General Conference are also now ready, and have been so prepared, both by careful editorial supervision and in press work and binding, as to meet with very hearty approval.

Lastly, in the order of this paper, but not in the order of thought, we call attention to our own NOT TURN CHRISTIAN ADVOCATE, whose pre-eminent claims to the patrimonial of all our people surely no one will dispute. To the editor and to the publisher our thanks are certainly due for an admirable paper—one of the very best issued from our denominational press, and which is evidently striving to attain the highest possible excellence. It is very properly an object of special interest and care to our Conference; it merits all the support and enthusiasm that our preachers and people can give it, and we urge upon every one the duty of working to increase the number of subscribers.

A. H. LESTER, Chairman.

REPORT ON DISTRICT CONFERENCE JOURNALS.

The Committee to whom was referred the Journals of the District Conferences respectfully submit the following report:

Marion District.

This Journal is well kept. In a few instances the spelling is bad. The name of the Denomination to which the District belongs is not given.

Chester District.

This Journal is not neatly kept. The writing is bad, and it is disfigured in a number of places, with erasures badly made. Several grammatical errors appear, and the spelling is bad. There is no margin on the left of the page—Neither is there a roll of the Conference given. The name of the Denomination and the District is not mentioned in the record; neither are its pages numbered.

Florence District.

The roll of members is not mentioned in this journal, but is kept in a separate book in the possession of the Presiding Elder. We recommend that the roll of members be recorded in the journal along with the proceedings. The Harlington Circuit is recorded as East Harlington. With these exceptions, this record is well kept.

Orangeburg District.

With the exception of two incomplete entrances in regard to the assessment for Presiding Elder, and Presiding Elder in charge of Edisto Circuit, and the improper use of capital letters, this journal is neatly and correctly kept.

Greenville District.

On page 30 the entire result of the ballot for delegates to the Annual Conference is given, when there was no election. This paper is on pages 28 and 30, consuming much space to no purpose. With this exception their journal deserves commendation.

Columbia District.

This journal is nicely kept. The errors of last year do not appear this year. No mistakes or errors are found in the record.

Cokesbury District.

In this journal figures are used instead of writing. A few blanks and erasures also mar the pages of the record. Otherwise it is well kept.

Charleston District.

Two incomplete sentences are found in this journal, the one on page 12, and the other on page 20. In all other respects it is in fine condition.

Sumter District.

This journal is a model of neatness and correctness. It deserves the highest estimation.

Spotsburg District.

With the exception of some blurs and erasures on pages 18 and 23 this journal is without criticism.

R. D. SMART, Chairman.
REPORT OF THE BOARD OF CHURCH EXTENSION.

The Board of Church Extension beg leave to make the following report:

There has been paid to the Board from the different churches $2,101.75.

Deducting for expenses of the Secretary's Office.................. 1 75

There remains $2,100.00

Of this amount one-half goes to the Parent Board.................. 1,050.00

And the other half to the following churches:

- Lamar Church, Darlington: $125.00
- Beulaville, Fairfield Co.: $40.00
- St. Paul's, Ridgefield Co.: $100.00
- Soule Chapel, Laurens: $100.00
- Roseville, Pickens Co.: $100.00
- Abbeville, Female Co.: $50.00
- Broadfoot's Chapel, Marlboro: $70.00
- Bright's Hampton Co.: $100.00
- Mt. Carmel, Hampton Co.: $50.00
- Greer's Greenville Co.: $110.00
- curtain, Darlington: $110.00
- Dedham, Edgefield Co.: $25.00
- Cook's Station, Anderson: $75.00
- Joevers, Orange Co.: $50.00
- Whithers, Orange Co.: $20.00
- Belcher, Lexington Co.: $40.00

Of the six applications presented to the Board, several were imperfect, in that they lacked the vouchers ordered by the Conference of 1885. The Treasurer is instructed by the Board not to pay over the amounts donated until the requirements of the Conference are complied with.

We call the attention of all who may make application to the Board for aid, to the fact that Article 1 of our Constitution was amended in 1885 by adding thereto these words:

"And also a written certificate of a reliable examining attorney to the effect that he has examined the title to the property, and finds the same to be good, and clear of incumbrances."

Respectfully submitted,

J. W. MURRAY, President.

REPORT OF THE BOARD OF MISSIONS.

The Board of Missions of the South Carolina Conference met in the Methodist Episcopal Church at Winnsboro, S. C., at 9 o'clock A.M., November 5, 1888.

Rev. W. D. Kirkland presided. The religious exercises were conducted by Rev. A. J. Stokes.

Reports were called for from the missions, and a number of weak charges supported in part by the Board.

Cumberland Mission, Charleston. The pastor made an excellent report.

The Presiding Elder spoke encouragingly of the development and prospects of the work. It was continued.

Upper Kistoa, Georgetown District. The best report ever received from this charge was made. It was continued.

Oconee Mission. The pastor and Presiding Elder spoke quite favorably of this charge, and it was continued under the care of the Board.

Columbia City Mission. The condition of the work was reported fine. It was continued.

Spartanburg City Mission. The report from this charge was encouraging. It was continued.

Pickens Mission. A good report was made from this charge, and it was continued under the care of the Board.

York Mission. The outlook for this charge was not encouraging. It was discontinued.

East Darlington. This work has done remarkably well, and was continued.
REPORT OF JOINT BOARD OF FINANCE.

The Joint Board of Finance, South Carolina Conference, in account with Bishop’s Fund, 1888.

Dr.

To Charleston District ........................................ 100 25
To Chester District ........................................ 100 00
To Cokesbury District ........................................ 100 00
To Columbia District ........................................ 100 00
To Florence District ........................................ 100 00
To Greenville District ...................................... 100 00
To Marion District ........................................ 100 00
To Orangeburg District .................................... 100 00
To Spartanburg District .................................. 100 00
To Sumter District ......................................... 100 00

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By paid J. D. Barbee, agent .................................. 25 00
By paid Bishop Duncan ....................................... 250 00
By paid Bishop Keener ....................................... 775 00

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Distribution of the Calvin Fund by Joint Board of Finance, South Carolina Conference, for 1888. Amount for distribution, $1,104.04, distributed as follows:

Mrs. J. L. Belin ...................................................... 100 25
Mrs. John Bunce ..................................................... 100 00
Mrs. T. R. Boyd ..................................................... 100 00
Mrs. H. A. Durand .................................................. 100 00
Mrs. R. B. Bouse .................................................... 100 00
Mrs. A. E. Danner .................................................. 100 00
Mrs. W. H. Fleming ............................................... 100 00

Paid each claimant fifty-two cents.

Report No. 3.

Amount collected for Conference Collection, South Carolina Conference, for 1888.

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To Charleston District ........................................ 100 00
To Chester District ........................................ 100 00
To Columbia District ........................................ 100 00
To Florence District ........................................ 100 00
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Application and distribution of the Conference Collection by the Joint Board of Finance, South Carolina Conference, for 1888.

Mrs. J. L. Belin ...................................................... 150 00
Mrs. John Bunce ..................................................... 150 00
Mrs. T. R. Boyd ..................................................... 150 00
Mrs. H. A. Durand .................................................. 150 00
Mrs. R. B. Bouse .................................................... 150 00
Mrs. A. E. Danner .................................................. 150 00
Mrs. W. H. Fleming ............................................... 150 00

Paid each claimant fifty-two cents.
MINUTES OF THE ONE HUNDRED AND THIRD SESSION,

Mrs. E. G. Gage
Mrs. A. C. Knight
Mrs. S. J. Hill and five children
Rev. L. M. Hare, wife and children
Rev. W. G. Jones
Rev. H. L. Underwood
Rev. J. J. Overton
Rev. E. L. Underwood and wife
Rev. J. W. Mimms
Rev. R. W. Moore
Rev. J. W. Moore and wife
Rev. R. T. Moore
Rev. R. T. Moore, Jr.
Rev. W. T. Moore
Rev. W. T. Moore and wife
Rev. R. T. Moore and children
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Rev. J. W. Moore and children
Rev. A. P. Martin
Rev. A. B. McIlhenny
Rev. A. B. McIlhenny and wife
Rev. J. J. Newberry
Rev. J. J. Newberry
Rev. J. J. Newberry and wife
Rev. W. C. Patterson and wife

The Rev. Sidi H. Browne declined to receive the amount appropriated to him because he did not need assistance, and the money was added to the sum appropriated to Rev. J. C. Bissell and family. On motion of J. S. Beasley, the surplus of $35 was ordered to be paid to Rev. W. W. Mood.

Report No. I.

The Joint Board of Finance of the South Carolina Conference, having carefully inquired into the condition of the several claimants upon the Conference fund, would respectfully report that the sum of eleven thousand dollars will be required to meet the necessities of said claimants for the ensuing Conference year, and recommend an assessment of that amount.

JOHN O. WILLSON, Chairman.
R. H. JENNINGS, Treasurer.
J. FULLER LYON, Secretary.
VI.

RESOLUTIONS.

I.

Early Collections for Missions.

Resolved, That the recommendation of the Board of Missions that our Foreign and Domestic Missionary Collections be taken between this and April 1, 1889, be adopted; and that we will promptly forward all Collections to the Conference Treasurer.

(Signed) W. D. KIRKLAND.

II.

Request of Mrs. Sarah J. Rogers.

Resolved, That the Treasurer of the Board of Missions be, and he is hereby, authorized to receive from the executors of the will of Mrs. Sarah J. Rogers of Anderson County, the sum of one thousand dollars left by her to this Conference, and that he forward the same to the Treasurer of the Board of Missions at Nashville.

(Signed) W. D. KIRKLAND.

III.

Week of Prayer for Conference Educational Institutions.

Resolved, That the week closing with the second Sunday in September be observed as a week of prayer for our denominational schools and colleges, and that our preachers be requested during that week to preach on the subject of Christian Education.

(Signed) A. COKE SMITH, J. M. PIKE.

IV.

Collections for Education.

Resolved, That the sum of $4,000 be assessed upon the Conference for Educational purposes.

(Signed) A. COKE SMITH.

V.

Recording Stewards.

Resolved, That the Recording Stewards of our Quarterly Conferences shall be members ex-officio of their respective District Conferences.

(Signed) R. D. SMART, A. COKE SMITH.
### VII. Statistical and Financial Reports—Charleston District, 1888.

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- Marion District: $125,400.00
- Orangeburg District: $515,000.00

**Total in Other Ways:**

- Marion District: $12,000.00
- Orangeburg District: $65,000.00

**Total Missions:**

- Marion District: 31
- Orangeburg District: 49

**Total Domestic Church:**

- Marion District: 30
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## Statistical and Financial Reports—Spartanburg District, 1888.

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### Other Foreign Missions.

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MINUTES OF THE ONE HUNDRED AND THIRD SESSION,

SOUTH CAROLINA ANNUAL CONFERENCE,

VIII.

MEMOIR.

REV. JAMES T. KILGO

Was born in Chester Co., South Carolina, February the 16th, 1820, and died January 16th, 1888, in Marlboro County, S. C., in his 67th year.

On the night of the 2nd of October, 1840, at a campmeeting held at Ebenezer church in Chester County, S. C., he was happily and thoroughly converted, and on the following night connected himself with the Methodist Episcopal Church, and adds in his diary, "of which I hope to die a member."

On the 5th of December, 1841, he was licensed to preach the gospel, and in 1850, he was admitted on trial in the South Carolina Conference at Wadesboro, N. C.

He traveled in 1851 and 1852, the Lexington Circuit; 1853, Cooper River Circuit; 1854, Summer Circuit; 1855, Summer Mountain Mission; 1856, Shelby Circuit; 1857 and 1858, St. George's Circuit; 1859 and 1860, Newberry Circuit; 1861 and 1862, Laurens Circuit; 1863, Fairfield Circuit; 1864, Sandy River Mission; 1865, Rocky Hill Circuit, and part of this year the Fairfield Circuit: 1866, Conrad Circuit; 1867, and 1868, Colfax Circuit; 1869, Colfax Circuit; 1870 and 1871, Edgefield Circuit: 1871, Laurens Circuit; 1872, Chester Circuit; 1873, Fairfield Circuit; 1874, Columbia Circuit; 1875, and 1876, South Marlboro Circuit; 1877, Bishopville Circuit; 1878, Marion Circuit: 1879, Summer Circuit; 1880 and 1881, Limestone Circuit; 1882, and 1883, Lower Harlington Circuit; 1884, Ridgerville Circuit: 1885, 1886 and 1887, Marlboro Circuit, where he closed up his long and useful life as a Methodist Preacher.

For 57 years he was at his post of duty, answering to his name at Roll call for 57 years.

Brother Kilgo was no ordinary man. The language of Dr. Rust on Jenny Taylor can be appropriately quoted here. "He had the true inner of a gentleman: the eloquence of an orator; the sweetness of the Schoolman; the profoundness of a philosopher; the wisdom of a counselor; the piety of a saint."
His preaching was noted for its clearness of thought, sobriety of judgment, tender emotions, and skill in dividing the word of Truth.

As a Pastor, he was bold in prosecuting the duties of office, yet tender.

As a Methodist, he was sound in doctrines and took pleasure in preaching them.

He enjoyed a deep, living experience in the things of God, which was proved by his uniform life.

As a husband, he was kind and loving; as a Father, he trained his children so as to gain and hold their best affections and confidence, and lead them to Christ.

He graduated them in our own College, from his meagre salaries, saying, "I will live on bread and water and wear patched clothes, before I will throw my children on society undisciplined."

He accomplished his purpose before he died.

The writer was with him the day before he died. He asked kindly after his brethren of the Conference, and spoke of his love for them.

In speaking of his afflictions he said, "My brother I have been to the brink of Jordan since we last met, but glory be to God the way was all bright; and I am ready at any time to go to my reward."

Little did we think that he was in half a day's march of home—but when 8 o'clock A. M. of January the 4th, 1888 came, "His spirit left its encumbering clay with a bound," and life was hushed in death.

GEO. M. BOYD.


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WINNSBORO, S. C., November 28, 1888.

The South Carolina Annual Conference of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, convened in the Opera House of Winnsboro, S. C., at 1 o'clock P. M. to-day, Dr. S. R. Jones, President, in the Chair.

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Resolved as information.

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