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Until Election:

DR. L. G. CLAYTON, President.
J. M. HANCOCK, Secretary.

After Election:

REV. S. IRVING KEELER, President.
J. M. HANCOCK, Secretary and Treasurer.

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# The South Carolina Conference

#### **OFFICERS**

President: S. Irving Keeler. Vice-President: L. L. Folger. Secretary and Treasurer: J. M. Hancock.

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Advisory Board: L. G. Clayton and W. A. Mathews.

Judiciary Committee: L. G. Clayton, S. I. Keeler, J. R. George, L. L. Folger.

Committee on Itineracy and Orders: L. L. Folger, 3 years; S. I. Keeler, 2 years; L. G. Clayton, 1 year.

Missionary Board: S. Irving Keeler, J. R. Davis and W. A. Mathews.

Committee on Vacancy: J. R. Davis, D. O. Powers, L. L. Folger, Elders; J. M. Hancock and W. A. Mathews, Lay Members.

Trustees: L. G. Clayton, J. R. George, J. M. Hancock, J. W. Miller and W. A. Mathews.

Sunday School Board: W. A. Mathews, L. G. Clayton and L. L. Folger.

Sunday School Secretary: W. A. Mathews.

Committe on Finance and Ways and Means: J. M. Hancock, L. L. Folger and D. M. Newton.

#### CONFERENCE ROLL

### Elders

J. A. S. Anderson, Moore, S. C., R. F. D.

L. G. Clayton, Central, S. C., R. F. D.

J. T. Carey, Calhoun, S. C., R. F. D.

C. A. Dunwoody, Central, S. C.

D. O. Powers, Moore, S. C., R. F. D.

J. R. Davis, Central, S. C., R. F. D. S. I. Keeler, Central, S. C. W. D. Correll, Piedmont, S. C. J. R. George, Spartanburg, S. C. G. D. Watson, Los Angeles, Calif. L. L. Folger, Central, S. C. Anna K. Folger, Central, S. C. J. M. Merrill, Mayo, S. C. W. F. Stamey, Central, S. C. J. M. Hancock, Central, S. C. J. B. Smith, Central, S. C.

### Licentiates

J. A. White, Pickens, S. C.
Dora Weibens, Walhalla, S. C.
J. M. Hames, Belton, S. C.
J. F. Mason, Westminster, S. C., R. D.
Levi Rigdon, Pickens, S. C., R. D.
R. G. Cudd, Spartanburg, S. C.
J. R. Garrett, Central, S. C.
J. E. Merk, Central, S. C., R. D.
J. W. Rawlins, Moore, S. C., R. D.
W. L. Miller, Easley, S. C.
George James, Belton, S. C.

# Lay Delegates

T. E. Henderson, Landrum, S. C. G. W. Davis, Greer, S. C. C. H. Boggs, Greenville, S. C. C. D. Christopher, Bethany, S. C. J. W. Miller, Easley, S. C. J. W. Saunders, Carlisle, S. C. L. E. Kelly, Mt. Olivet, S. C. John Earnest, Walhalla, S. C. G. C. McAlreatt, Piedmont, S. C. Gordon Keeler, Central, S. C. W. A. Mathews, Central, S. C. R. M. Martin, Central, S. C. Eugenia Martin, Central, S. C.

Lizzie Rose Lawrence, Central, S. C. J. H. Coggins, Central, S. C. R. A. Porter, Golden Grove, S. C. D. M. Newton, Mt. Olivet, S. C. O. H. P. Woolbright, Westminster, S. C. Nannie Morse, Glendale, S. C. Malinda Fowler, Gaffney, S. C. Lucia Shirly, Central, S. C.

# JOURNAL OF DAILY PROCEEDINGS

Pursuant to call, the twenty-second Annual Session of the South Carolina Conference of the Wesleyan Methodist Connection, or Church, of America, met in the church at Greer, S. C., November 24, at 7:30 p. m., 1914.

The opening sermon was preached by Rev. L. L. Folger, of Central, S. C., after which Rev. S. I. Keeler, Vice-President, called the Conference to order.

On motion the Conference adjourned to 9 o'clock a. m., Wednesday, November 25th, 1914.

# Morning Meeting, Wednesday, November 25, 1914.

Pursuant to adjournment, the Conference met at 9 o'clock a. m., November 25, 1914. Religious services conducted by S. I. Keeler.

The roll was called.

By vote, the Conference empowered the chairman to appoint a Committee on Credentials. Rev. J. A. S. Anderson and W. L. Miller were appointed.

Revs. J. R. George and L. L. Folger and J. W. Miller were

elected a Committee on Religious Worship.

On motion, Rev. D. O. Powers was elected a committee to suggest the Conference bar. The Committee reported, suggesting the four rows of seats in front and all the seats on both sides of the pulpit for the Conference bar. This report was adopted.

The time for holding the business meetings of the conference was fixed as follows: To meet at 8:30 o'clock for morning meetings, and adjourn at 10:30 a. m.; Meet at 1:30 o'clock p. m. and adjourn by vote.

The Committee on Credentials made a report. Report adopted,

and all names passed upon were placed on the roll. See Roll of Delegates.

Rev. L. L. Folger and J. W. Miller were elected a Committee on Ministerial Character.

By vote, W. D. Correll was elected a Committee on Courtesy. By vote of the Conference, Rev. W. D. Correll and C. H. Boggs were made a Committee on Statistics.

Rev. S. P. Chapman, of the North Carolina Conference, was introduced to the Conference and spoke words which encouraged and increased a feeling of fellowship.

The Conference fixed Friday at 2 o'clock, p. m., November 27th, as the time for election of Conference officers and delegates to the General Conference.

By vote, J. M. Hancock, secretary, was admitted to the Conference to speak on all matters pertaining to the business of the body.

Rev. L. L. Folger was elected to succeed himself on the Committee on Itineracy and Orders. The Committee now stands as follows: L. L. Folger, 3 years; L. G. Clayton, 2 years; S. I. Keeler, 1 year, with J. W. Miller and C. H. Boggs lay members.

Rev. D. O. Powers was elected a Committee on Thanks.

The matter of electing the Committee on Pastoral Relations was postponed until the afternoon meeting.

Rev. J. R. Davis was elected a Committee on State of the Work.

The Conference then elected J. M. Hancock and Rev. L. L. Folger a Committee on Apportionment.

The hearing of the official address of Rev. F. A. Butterfield,, Connectional Editor, was made the order of the day for Thursday afternoon at 3 o'clock, November 26.

The recommendations of L. H. Kelley and T. F. Stewart were read. A motion prevailed to the effect that these, with all other such recommendations, be referred to the Committee on Itineracy and Orders when read.

During the day a number of others were read and passed to the Committee.

Moved and carried, that the minutes, with all reports pertaining to the business of the conference, be published.

The Conference took some time and discussed the various phases of publishing its minutes, including a statement from the treasurer, regarding the amount due the Publishing House for work done in the past.

Adjourned by limitation of time.

### Afternoon Meeting, November 25, 1914.

In harmony with the time set in the morning meeting, the Conference met at 1:30 o'clock p. m.

Devotional services were conducted by W. L. Miller.

The Roll was called.

The conference by vote dispensed with the reading of the Minutes except at its morning meeting, unless called for at other times.

The credentials of D. M. Newton were read and his name placed on the roll.

Moved and carried that the conference elect the Committee on Pastoral Relations by ballot. The following named brethren were elected: J. R. Davis, D. O. Powers and J. R. George, Elders; W. A. Mathews, G. W. Davis and D. M. Newton, lay members.

At this juncture several recommendations were read and referred to the proper committees.

Dr. L. G. Clayton and Revs. J. R. George and S. I. Keeler were elected Conference Trustees. On a suggestion being made that lay members oughts to be on the Board of Trustees, Rev. S. I. Keeler resigned from this committee and J. M. Hancock was elected to fill the vacancy caused by his resignation.

The conference seemed to be of the opinion that other lay members should be on the Board of Trustees, and in harmony with this thought, J. W. Miller and W. A. Mathews, were elected on the board.

The Board now stands as follows: L. G. Clayton and J. R. George, elders; J. M. Hancock, J. W. Miller and W. A. Mathews, lay members.

By vote, J. R. Davis, elder, and W. A. Mathews, lay member,

were elected a Missionary Board.

Revs. L. L. Folger, J. R. George, J. R. Davis and Dr. L. G. Clayton were elected a Judiciary Committee.

By vote, J. R. Davis, D. O. Powers and J. R. George, elders, J. M. Hancock and W. O. Mathews, lay members, were elected a Committee on Vacancy.

The conference then devoted one-half hour to a discussion of the advisibility of the Sunday School undertaking the plan proposed by Brother W. A. Mathews with reference to trying to raise money with which to erect a better college building at Central, S. C. The discussion was led by W. A. Mathews. Several interest-

ing talks were made, after which the conference voted to launch the plan.

The conference adjourned by vote.

### Third Day, Morning Meeting, Thursday, November 26, 1914.

Pursuant to adjournment, the conference met at 8:30 a. m. Devotional exercises were conducted by W. D. Correll.

The roll was called.

The minutes of the previous meetings were read, corrected and approved.

The Rev. F. A. Butterfield, Connectional Editor, was introduced to the conference and given the floor. He spoke words of encouragement and assured us of his sympathy and co-operation.

By vote, the conference made him an honorary member.

Following this, the Rev. E. Teter, General Missionary Secretary, was introduced to the conference, and again gave us encouragement. It touches a sympathetic chord in the hearts of all members of the South Carolina Conference when we look in this father's face, and we all shall regret very much to see the time when he shall be forced, by reason of declining years, to cease his visits to us and we shall hear his fatherly words no more. He was made an honorary member of the body.

By vote, the conference decided that at all times when other business is not before the conference, we would proceed to the examination of the ministerial character.

The recommendations of Talmage Evatt and P. J. Saterfield were read and referred to the Committe on Itineracy and Orders.

No business being before the conference, we then proceeded to the examination of character.

The names of J. A. S. Anderson, J. T. Corey, D. O. Powers and L. L. Folger were called. Their characters having been passed by the committee, they read their reports. Dr. L. G. Clayton, President of the Conference, being present, his name was called and he read his official report.

Adjournment by limitation of time.

# Thursday Afternoon Meeting.

In harmony with the ruling of the conference, the afternoon meeting for Thursday was called to order at 1:30 o'clock, p. m.

The roll was called.

Devotional services were led by Rev. D. O. Powers.

The conference then adopted the official report of the President. By vote, the conference decided to reconsider the vote on the

adoption of the official report of the President.

After some discussion, on vote, the conference referred the portion of the President's official report which deals with the Conference Evangelists' salary to the Missionary Board, and privilege was given said board to associate Rev. L. L. Folger with themselves when they meet to consider the matter. The name of J. R. George was called. The committee having passed his character, he read his report.

The orders of the day were called for, and the Rev. F. A. Butterfield, Connectional representative, proceeded to make his official address.

After the address the conference took up the matter of hearing

pastor's reports.

The names of J. M. Merrill, J. M. Hames, Levi Rigdon, R. G. Cudd, J. R. Garrett and W. L. Miller were called. The committee having passed their characters, they read their statistical reports.

The conference adjourned by vote.

# Friday, Fourth Day, Morning Meeting.

Pursuant to adjournment, the conference met at 8:30 a. m., Friday, November 27th.

The regular presiding officer being absent, Rev. L. L. Folger was chosen chairman until the regular chairman should come in.

Devotional services were conducted by Rev. W. F. Stamey.

The roll was called.

Minutes of the Thursday meeting were read and approved.

The Missionary Board, to whom the matter regarding the matter of the conference evangelist's salary was referred, made their report, which was adopted. See Report No. 1.

The recommendation of A. A. Abbot was read and referred to the Committee on Itineracy and Orders.

The conference then heard the report of Rev. J. R. Garrett on the Mountain Mission work. It seems to be the sense of the conference that this work should be encouraged.

J. A. White's name was called, to which he responded, but as he did not have an appointment by the conference, gave only a verbal report, which showed that he is doing considerable work.

The name of J. R. Davis, Conference Evangelist, was called. He read his official report, which was adopted. See Report No. 2.

J. W. Rawlins' name was called. His character having been passed by the committee, he read his statistical report.

By vote, the Presiden't official report which had been read previously, was adopted. See Report No. 3.

The recommendation of G. E. Cunshaw was read and passed to the Committee on Itineracy and Orders.

The name of Rev. W. D. Correll was called. He read his report for Glendale church.

W. F. Stamey being called, made a verbal report, as he did not have an appointment by the conference.

By vote, the matter of defining the duties of the President and Conference Evangelist, and suggesting their salary was referred to the Committee on Pastoral Relations.

The name of W. D. Correll was called. His character having been passed by the committee, he read his statistical report for Piedmont charge.

Rev. W. F. Stamey was elected a Committee on Sunday Schools. J. M. Hancock was elected a Committee on Education.

The conference decided not to appoint a Committee on Missions, but instead would accept the open meeting of the Woman's Home and Foreign Missionary Society for work of said committee.

The name of Rev. S. I. Keeler was read. His character having been passed by the Committe, he read his report.

The conference then listened to the report of the Committee on Itineracy and Orders, which was adopted by the conference. See Report No. 4.

Moved and carried that the conference create a Committee on Finance.

Adjourned to 1:30 p. m.

# Fourth Day, Afternoon Meeting

Pursuant to adjournment, the conference met for business again at 1:30 o'clock, p. m., Friday, November 27th.

The devotional service was led by Rev. Levi Rigdon.

The roll was called.

The Committee on Pastoral Relations gave the first reading of their report.

The orders of the day were then called for, and the conference

proceeded to the election of officers and delegates to the General Conference to be held in Houghton, N. Y., in June, 1915. J. A. S. Anderson and W. F. Stamey were appointed tellers and the election resulted as follows:

S. Irving Keeler, President; L. L. Folger, Vice President; J. M. Hancock, Secretary and Treasurer; J. R. Davis, Conference Evangelist; J. R. George, Missionary Evangelist.

After this election the selection of delegates to the General Conference was taken up, the same tellers acting, and by ballot the following named brethren were chosen. (Names given in order of election):

Elders-J. M. Hancock, L. L. Folger, J. R. Davis.

Alternates for elders—J. R. George, J. M. Merrill, W. D. Correll. Lay members—D. M. Newton, C. H. Boggs, O. H. P. Woolbright.

Alternates for lay members—J. W. Miller, G. C. McElreath, R. A. Porter.

S. Irving Keeler and J. R. Davis, elders, and W. A. Mathews, lay member, were elected a Missionary Board.

Dr. L. G. Clayton, elder, and W. A. Mathews, lay member, were elected an Advisory Board.

Feeling the importance of the Sunday School work in our conference and seeing the usefulness of our Brother W. A. Mathews in this work, he was elected Sunday School Secretary.

By vote, W. A. Mathews, Dr. L. G. Clayton and Rev. L. L. Folger were elected a Sunday School Board.

Adjourned by vote.

# Saturday, Fifth Day, Morning Meeting.

In harmony with the acts of the conference, the body met for the transaction of business Saturday at 8.30 o'clock a. m., November 28th.

The devotional service always having the pre-eminence, Rev. J. R. Davis was called upon to lead this service. After which the roll was called and the minutes of the Friday meetings were read.

By vote, the conference decided to eliminate from the Minutes the number of the ballot upon which the officers and delegates to General Confereince were elected. After which the Minutes were approved.

The conference had previously set the time to adjourn at 10:30 o'clock, a.m., each day to make room for preaching service, but as

it seemed best to continue the transaction of business, by vote the conference called in the 10:30 preaching service for today. After which the time of adjourning was extended from 10:30 o'clock, A. M. to the pleasure of the conference by vote.

The Committee on Pastoral Relations gave the second reading

of their report.

Our Tithing Secretary, Rev. W. D. Correll, read his report.

Report adopted. See Report No. 5.

The Committee on Statistics read their report, which was adopted, with the understanding that the Secretary and Treasurer is to correct any errors that may be apparent. See Report No. 6.

By vote, the conference added the words, "Ways and Means" to the name of the Committee on Finance. The name now

stands, "Finance, Ways and Means."

The following brethren were elected on this Commitee: J. M. Hancock, chairman, D. O. Powers and D. M. Newton.

The resolutions presented by the secretary the day before were then read, item by item, and adopted. (See Resolutions.)

By vote W. D. Correll was elected tithing secretary for the conference.

The conference ordered all standing resolutions to be printed in the Conference Minutes.

The report of the Committee on Sunday Schools was read and adopted. (See Report No. 7.)

The conference then elected W. F. Stamey and C. H. Boggs an Auditing Committee.

A resolution by W. F. Stamey, ordering an Institute, was read and referred to the Committee on Itineracy and Orders.

The Committee on the State of the Work, Rev. J. R. Davis, made a report, which was adopted. (See Report No. 8.)

The conference then adjourned until 1:30 o'clock P. M.

### Fifth Day.-Afternoon Meeting.

In harmony with the time set to which we adjourned, the conference met at 1:30 o'clock P. M. for the further consideration of business.

The devotional service was conducted by Rev. J. M. Hames. Roll called.

The treasurer read his report, which was, by vote, referred to the Auditing Committee.

The Committee on Moral Reform then made its report, which was adopted. (See Report No. 9.)

The selection of the place to hold the next conference was left in the hands of the president and Advisory Board.

The matter of extending or collecting the note held by the treasurer against Rev. M. T. Hartsoe was left to the decision of the treasurer.

In view of the fact that the mortgage held by the treasurer against the Williamston Church property was transferred to him by the Rev. E. Teter, and the said treasurer desiring the matter put in better condition from a legal point of view, the conference authorized the trustees to make out new papers to the treasurer covering all points of legality.

The Auditing Committee read their report, which was adopted

(See Report No. 10.)

The treasurer's report was then adopted. (See Report No. 16.)
The Rev. J. R. George, believing that circumstances would not permit him to enter fully upon his duties as missionary evangelist, tendered his resignation from said office. The conference accepted the same.

The Committee on Education made its report. After a very impressive talk by the Rev. E. Teter on education, the report was

adopted. (See Report No. 11.)

The Committee on Pastoral Relations read their report for the third time. The report, after some discussion, was adopted with the understanding that the secretary should enter in their proper place and relationship all names of preachers overlooked by the committee. (See Report No. 12.)

The Committee on Itineracy and Orders made a further report.

Report adopted. (See Report No. 13.)

As the above-mentioned report divides the conference into Western and Eastern sections for the purpose of holding Fifth Sunday Holiness Conventions, Rev. L. L. Folger was elected president for the Western Section, and Rev. J. R. George, president of the Eastern Section.

By vote the conference decided to hold an institute for the young preachers t Central, beginning on Monday evening, Fabruary

15, 1915, at 7:30 o'clock, to run over the next Sunday.

The conference by vote decided to hold the ordination service at the evening service, which begins at 7:15 o'clock this evening, November 28.

The Committee on Thanks read its report, which was adopted.

(See Report No. 14.)

The conference then authorized the secretary to have the Minutes published.

It was moved and carried that the secretary edit all the reports of committees, etc.

By vote the conference passed a resolution ordering the secretary to draw up a fitting resolution of respect and gratitude to our retiring president for his long and faithful services to this conference, and that it be made a part of our records and a copy of the same be sent to him. (See Report No. 15.)

On motion, the conference voted by ballot to endorse Professor J. M. Hancock for president of the Wesleyan Methodist College for another term, provided the General Board sees fit to elect him to said position.

The result of the balloting was as follows: In favor of endorsing him, 19; opposed, 2.

The minutes of the day's meetings were read and approved. Adjourned by vote. Benediction by Rev. L. L. Folger.

J. M. Hancock, Secretary.

# Report of the Committee on Apportionment.

|              | No. of<br>Members | Budget     | Gen. Conf.<br>Delegates | Minutes<br>and Debt |
|--------------|-------------------|------------|-------------------------|---------------------|
| Spartanburg  | 176               | \$352.00   | \$26.40                 | \$7.00              |
| Piedmont     | 102               | 204.00     | 15.30                   | 4.05                |
| .Anderson    | 126               | 252.00     | 18.90                   | 5.00                |
| Carlisle     | 177               | 352.00     | 26.55                   | 7.05                |
| Walhalla     | 83                | 166.00     | 12.45                   | 3.30                |
| Central      | 109               | 218.00     | 16.35                   | 4.35                |
| Landrum      | 58                | 116.00     | 8.70                    | 2.30                |
| Gaffney      | 34                | 68.00      | 5.10                    | 1.35                |
| Mt. Olivet   | 104               | 104.00     | 15.60                   | 4.15                |
| Greer        | 126               | 252.00     | . 18.90                 | 5.00                |
| Westminster  | 39                | 78.00      | 5.85                    | 1.55                |
| Easley       | 149               | 298.00     | 22.35                   | 5.95                |
| Golden Grove | 146               | 292.00     | 21.90                   | 5.80                |
| Mt. Mission  | 11                | 22.00      | 1.65.                   | 40                  |
| Totals       | 1,440             | \$2,880.00 | \$216.00                | \$57.25             |

J. M. Hancock, L. L. Folger, Committee

#### RESOLUTIONS.

### Resolutions Passed in 1898.

Resolved, 1st, That as a body in conference assembled, we will not allow our pulpits or churches to be used by those who do not give evidence of being sound in the doctrines referred to, and true to our polity.

2nd, That as ministers and laymen we will use our best endeavors to prevent promulgation of doctrines or usages not in accord with the Wesleyan Methodist faith.

### Resolutions Adopted in 1905.

Resolved, 1st, That the law with reference to complaints or violations of orders and resolutions found on page 37 of our Discipline, beginning with the words, "When the President," etc., shall apply to all cases of the violations of our Discipline, and no charges shall be entertained by the Judiciary Committee without said previous investigation and labor.

2nd, That no member of the conference shall have his character passed who fails to carry out all the rules and orders of this conference, unless providentially hindered, except upon a three-fourths vote of the body.

### Resolutions Adopted in 1907.

Resolved, 1st, That we affirm our faith in the soundness of the position taken by the Wesleyan Methodist Church of America in denying any of its members to hold membership in any secret society.

2nd, That we believe that the preaching of holiness that does not include a clear and distinct opposition to all secret societies is seriously lacking in the essential elements and must be more or less displeasing to God.

3rd, That we believe that the right type of holiness preaching and teaching is the most effective means by which to induce men to separate themselves from all lodge entanglements; therefore, we will do our best to double our diligence in this line of effort.

4th, That we affectionately admonish our people to avoid all compromise with secrecy. Hence we as a conference require that our pastors and churches shall not elect, or suffer to be elected, superintendents or teachers of any Sunday Schools that are held in our churches if they hold membership in secret societies; Further-

more those belonging to secret orders shall not be allowed to hold services in our churches.

5th, That we seriously urge upon all our brethren and sisters that they may be careful to maintain a consistent, but radical, attitude of opposition to all organizations, secret or open, which are opposed to Jesus Christ and His doctrines and principles of right-eousness.

### Resolutions of 1914.

Resolved, 1st, That all of our licentiates not receiving an appointment to pastoral or evangelistic work, be required to preach at least once a month or twelve times during the conference year.

2nd, That in addition to the above resolution, we earnestly request all preachers not receiving a regular appointment by the conference, except those attending school preparatory to the ministry, to hold, if possible, a two weeks' revival during the year.

3rd, That all preachers unemployed by the conference during the coming year, be urged to select a fellow laborer with whom they can work harmoniously, and go out and try to build up new work as they may have opportunity, and revive deserted places.

4th, That in order that the foregoing resolutions may have the greatest effect possible, and that each preacher may have a higher estimation of the dignity of his calling, and that the burden for souls may be increased, and that they may feel the sympathy of the church to which they belong, we urge each charge to pass like resolutions.

5th, That it is not only the d ty, but binding, on each circuit and preacher of our conference to receive whomsover the conference may designate as quarterly conference evangelist, and give him their hearty support and co-operation.

#### REPORTS

### No. 1. Missionary Board.

The Missionary Board, to whom was referred the matter regarding the salary of the conference evangelist, kindly submits the following report:

After careful consideration, we find that it appears that the

Conference Evangelist, Rev. J. R. Davis, should have the privilege of deducting all his expenses, incumbent upon his office of conference evangelist, such as railroad fare, extra help, etc., amounting to \$109.50, from the total amount collected by him, viz., \$168.21, and that the difference, which is \$58.71, should apply on his salary of \$600 for the year.

Respectfully submitted,

W. A. Mathews,
L. G. Clayton,
J. R. Davis,
Missionary Board.

### No. 2. Conference Evangelist Report.

To the members of the South Carolina Conference of the Wesleyan Methodist Connection, or Church, of America, now assembled at Greer, S. C., Greetings:—

I, your conference evangelist for the year ending with this annual conference, beg permission to submit the following official report:

I have visited the various charges and held many of the quarterly meetings, presented the budget plan and have, I believe, worked according to my contract. As for the financial side, I have secured in cash and subscriptions on the budget plan to the amount of \$2,892.13.

In view of the fact that our missionary evangelist resigned his work, the Missionary Board gave me control of the conference tent and ordered that I should hold meetings in the tent during the revival season. This duty I entered upon, and have held thirteen revival meetings. The last one of these meetings was held at Norris, in which I was assisted by Rev. W. F. Stamey. At this place we organized a church with fourteen members.

During the year I have preached 265 times, had 241 professions, 35 of whom joined the Wesleyan Methodist Church, and received in offerings \$168.21.

My traveling expense, etc., has been \$109.50. In addition to this I took subscriptions on the tent debt to the amount of \$58.00, but on account of the money stringency have collected but \$31.50 of this amount.

Respectfully submitted.

J. R. Davis, Conference Evangelist.

### No. 3.

### President's Report.

As soon after our last conference as possible, the Rev. Charlie White went to his appointment at O'Neal. The church there positively refused to accept him as their pastor, not on account of any objection to him personally, but they did not wish to be separated from the Greers circuit. With the consent my Advisory Board, O'Neal was put back on the Greers circuit, and the Rev. J. R-George agreed to supply O'Neal with the help of some of his licenciate preachers.

During the month of February the Rev. J. A. S. Anderson resigned his work at Glendale and moved up to Bethany, where he has continued to pastor this church and I have understood has given entire satisfaction. After some delay, by vote of church at Glendale, the Rev. W. D. Correll took charge of that church. In March Brother James, on account of ill health, gave up his work at Pelzer when the pastor, the Rev. John Hames, sent Brother Abbot to finish the work there.

On the 28th of March I held a conference of our Missionary Board, and it was decided to let the Rev. J. R. Davis take an "extra" collection at each quarterly conference and also at any of his other meetings, for the purpose of paying his extra expenses, and also to help pay off the debt on the tent. Brother Davis is to continue holding the quarterly conferences as usual, and also to hold all the meetings he can in all the needy nearby fields. This arrangement was effected to supplement, in a measure, the work that the Rev. E. L. Henderson resigned. Brother Davis was given exclusive control of the tent.

A new class was organized at Glenville, N. C., by Rev. J. R. Garrett, with a membership of eleven. This class was organized with the express stipulation that it be added to the South Carolina Conference. They have a place of worship worth about \$200.

I was very agreeably surprised a few weeks ago to find a brand new church built at Easley, worth about \$2,000, with only a debt remaining of about \$390.

Brother J. R. George is still in the church building business, with a new one just completed at Union, worth about \$750 to \$800, with an outstanding debt of \$300.

I am rejoicing in the fact that the church at Westminster is out of debt and situated in a fine location. Also the church at Williamston has paid her indebtedness to Brother Teter and as I understand it has paid some on her indebtedness to the Superannuated

Preachers' Fund, This very desirable state of affairs was brought about largely by the faith and pluck of Brothers George, Correll and Teter, assisted more or less by the saints all over the Connection. Amen. To our God be the praise and glory. We are sad to say that Greenville and Reedy River are still in debt, with the two new churches at Easley and Union. I can but admire the policy of the saints at Welcome, who went ahead and builded wisely, a nice church worth \$500, without any outstanding debt, with an enlarged membership. Brother Rigdon, the pastor, has also spent \$62.50 in cash on repairs on Mountain View, in the face of many difficulties and discouragements.

As the retiring president of this conference, I wish to emphasize the fact that we will do well to heed, to the letter, the instructions set forth in our Book of Discipline in regard to the building of

churches, etc.

I might also add the fact that in my humble judgment it is high time that strenuous efforts be made to get out of debt and a president be elected who is physically, mentally and spiritually able to represent our conference, our Book of Discipline, and withal the "blessed old Book" as we understand it, to an intelligent public, and hold our quarterly conferences (all of them), and to urge our pastors to increased zeal in pushing the interests of our school, paper and connectional interests.

And now, my dear brethren, in concluding this report I must emphasize the fact that, however correctly we may preach the theory of holiness, unless we can back it up by an experience founded on the Word of God and lived out in our daily lives, and also by keeping our beloved Zion as free as possible from the contaminating and blighting influences of an ungodly, Christ-hating world, then all of our efforts will be in vain, and we will have no right to exist as a reform church.

Respectfully submitted,

L. G. Clayton.

P. S.—I forgot to mention, in the proper place, that Brothers Stamey and Davis organized a class at Norris of fourteen members. L. G. Clayton.

### No. 4.

### Itineracy and Orders.

We, your Committee on Itineracy and Orders, beg leave to submit the following report:

1st. That J. M. Hancock and L. B. Smith be ordained elders in the Wesleyan Methodist Church by this conference.

2nd. That A. A. Abbott, P. J. Satterfield, Talmage Evatt, R. F. Turner, C. J. Goforth, George James, C. T. Lusk, W. E. McEntyre, V. E. Chapman, L. H. Kelley, T. F. Stewart, G. E. Crenshaw, J. A. White, Dora Weibens, J. M. Hames, J. F. Mason, Levi Rigdon, R. G. Cudd, J. R. Garrett, J. E. Merk, J. W. Rawlins, be required to pursue the first year course of study and pass on at least two books in said course.

L. G. Clayton,
S. Irving Keeler,
L. L. Folger,
J. W. Miller,
C. H. Boggs,
Committee.

### No. 5.

# Report of Tithing Secretary.

During the year I have preached one time on this subject off of my work. Only a few of the pastors have given me an invitation to visit their work and present this much-neglected subject.

Out of the thirty-six churches in the conference, only twentyfour have complied with my request for the names of their members who tithe. The totals as reported by the pastors show an increase for the year of forty members, making a total in the conference of one hundred and seventy-two now tithing. Only a little over seven per cent. of our people tithe. The thought makes us feel very deeply our lack of living up to our privileges in Christ. Our membership this year totals 1,440. Our total contribution for the year is \$12,526.32. Let us notice if all our members have an income of \$1 a day, and would tithe, there would go into the treasury of our conference nearly \$50,000 annually. A little reckoning will show us that we as a conference are using for some other purposes over \$35,000 of the Lord's money. But let us divide this amount by two, then we are not paying that which God demands of us. No wonder we do not accomplish more when we are not living up to the requirements of our Lord. Let us urge our preachers to preach on the subject more and give the light on this important subject.

> W. D. Correll, Secretary.

No. 6. Statistical Report.

| Time Employed,<br>Months  | Appointments   | No. of Church<br>Societies   | Received   |   | Expelled  | Discontinued   |
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| 12<br>12<br>12<br>12<br>12<br>12<br>12<br>12<br>12<br>12<br>12<br>12<br>12<br>1 | 03<br>02<br>05<br>04<br>03<br>02<br>02<br>01<br>03<br>02<br>01<br>01<br>03<br>02<br>02<br>01 | 03<br>02<br>03<br>04<br>03<br>02<br>01<br>01<br>03<br>02<br>01<br>01<br>02<br>02<br>02<br>02<br>02   | 86<br>05<br>14<br>23<br>30<br>18<br>05<br>12<br>14<br>21<br>02<br>09<br>12<br>20<br>08<br>00   | y 12  | 00<br>02<br>01<br>04<br>00<br>00<br>00<br>00<br>00<br>00<br>01<br>00<br>00<br>00<br>00<br>00<br>00  | 19<br>06<br>07<br>03<br>05<br>01<br>00<br>00<br>00<br>00<br>00<br>00<br>00<br>05<br>03<br>00<br>00<br>00<br>00<br>00<br>00<br>00<br>00<br>00<br>00<br>00<br>00   |
| 189   | 37   | 33   | 279  |   | 17  | 49   |
| Died  | Granted Letters  | Present Number   | No. Reported<br>Last Year  | Gain  | Associate Member  | Baptized   |
| 04  | 23<br>11<br>07<br>02<br>01<br>05<br>04   | 226<br>83<br>126<br>257<br>83<br>73<br>109   | 139<br>135<br>234<br>62<br>188<br>44   | 87<br>23<br>11<br>12  | 15<br>00<br>05<br>00<br>00<br>09<br>09  | 22<br>00<br>01<br>10<br>17<br>04<br>00<br>09   |
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|   | Licentiates  | Membership<br>Tithing  | Wesleyan Meth-<br>odists Taken   | Sunday School<br>Banners  | Teacher's Quar-<br>terlies   | Scholar's Quar-<br>terlies   | Intermediate<br>Quarterlies  |
| Spartanburg Piedmont Anderson Carlisle Walhalla Greenville Central Landrum Gaffney Mt. Olivet Glendale Bethany Westminster Easley Golden Grove Mt. Mission Totals | 10<br>02<br>06<br>05<br>02<br>01<br>02<br>00<br>01<br>03<br>00<br>01<br>02<br>00<br>01<br>02<br>00<br>01<br>02<br>00<br>05<br>05<br>05<br>05<br>05<br>05<br>05<br>05<br>05<br>05<br>05<br>05 | 50<br>19<br>07<br>07<br>19<br>03<br>23<br>05<br>05<br>11<br>03<br>05<br>04<br>08<br>03<br>00 | 20<br>14<br>16<br>16<br>15<br>13<br>18<br>07<br>03<br>13<br>03<br>05<br>08<br>08<br>08 | 00<br>40<br>00<br>00<br>00<br>00<br>00<br>00<br>00<br>00<br>00<br>00<br>00<br>0 | 67<br>22<br>22<br>20<br>25<br>10<br>08<br>05<br>06<br>04<br>07<br>03<br>12<br>00<br>05<br>00 | 410<br>118<br>210<br>111<br>37<br>60<br>60<br>20<br>00<br>25<br>20<br>77<br>34<br>00<br>52<br>00 | 80<br>49<br>00<br>110<br>37<br>100<br>20<br>36<br>00<br>00<br>15<br>00<br>41<br>00<br>30<br>30<br>30 |
|   | Primary Class<br>Papers  | Our Little Folks   | Sabbath Schools,<br>No. of   | No. of Superin-<br>tendents   | No. of Officers  | No. of Teachers  | No. ofScholars in<br>Cradle Roll   |
| Spartanburg Piedmont Anderson Carlisle Walhalla Greenville Central Landrum Gaffney Mt. Oilvet Glendale Bethany  | 100<br>50<br>90<br>46<br>40<br>52<br>20<br>12<br>00<br>00  | 95<br>35<br>90<br>53<br>40<br>68<br>80<br>15<br>00<br>30<br>00                               | 03<br>02<br>05<br>04<br>02<br>02<br>01<br>01<br>01<br>02<br>01<br>01                   | 03<br>02<br>05<br>04<br>02<br>02<br>01<br>01<br>01<br>02<br>01<br>01            | 03<br>00<br>10<br>22<br>04<br>04<br>07<br>02<br>02<br>02<br>00<br>03<br>02                   | 15<br>12<br>19<br>22<br>08<br>09<br>08<br>05<br>02<br>05<br>05<br>04                             | 09   |
| Westminster<br>Easley<br>Golden Grove<br>Mt. Mission  | 28<br>25<br>00<br>55<br>00   | 45<br>00<br>00<br>00   | 02<br>01<br>02<br>02<br>02   | 02<br>01<br>02<br>00  | 03<br>03<br>03<br>00   | 06<br>05<br>07<br>00   |  |

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| Spartanburg Piedmont Anderson Carlisle Walhalla Greenville Central Landrum Gaffney Mt. Olivet Glendale Bethany Westminster Easley Golden Grove Mt. Mission  | 00<br>00<br>12<br>00<br>00<br>00<br>28<br>00<br>00<br>00<br>00<br>00<br>00<br>00<br>00<br>00<br>00<br>00<br>00<br>00 | 03<br>02<br>03<br>04<br>02<br>02<br>01<br>01<br>01<br>02<br>01<br>01<br>02<br>02<br>01 | \$2,700.<br>1,600.<br>2,700.<br>3,000.<br>1,200.<br>2,600.<br>1,500.<br>200.<br>1,500.<br>1,625.<br>2,500.<br>1,500.<br>1,500.<br>1,500. | 00<br>00<br>00<br>00<br>00<br>00<br>00<br>00<br>00<br>00<br>00<br>00<br>00                         | \$375.00<br>240.15<br>   | 00<br>01<br>00<br>01<br>00<br>00<br>00<br>00<br>00<br>00<br>00<br>00<br>00<br>0              | \$500.00<br>1,200.00   |   | 16.00                            |
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THE SOUTH CAROLINA CONFERENCE

|   | Cash or Other<br>Values on Hand | Pastor's Salary<br>Cash   | Parsonage Rent  | Fees, Marriage<br>and Funeral                           | Gifts  | Conference<br>Evangelist  | Other Evangelistic<br>Help   |
|---|---------------------------------|---|-----------------|---|--|---|--|
| Spartanburg Piedmont Anderson Carlisle Walhalla Greenville Central Landrum Gaffney Mt. Olivet Glendale Bethany Westminster Easley Golden Grove Mt. Mission. | \$65.71                         | \$468.16 314.68 402.52 318.17 177.43 211.46 346.50 102.25 115.75 203.00 50.50 82.60 128.30 229.00 85.00 23.60 | \$84.00         | \$1.00<br>2.00<br>6.50<br>4.00<br>3.00<br>13.00<br>4.50 | 20.00<br>54.50<br>117.28<br>55.73<br>43.00<br>8.00<br>5.40<br>26.50<br>26.65 | 3.68<br>54.05<br>13.41<br>5.46<br>4.00<br>4.70<br>2.32<br>13.00<br>13.27<br>4.00                | \$128.31<br>45.43<br>45.00<br>75.00<br>38.14<br>32.97<br>56.00<br>39.51<br>8.25<br>9.00<br>80.13<br>25.75<br>27.00 |
| Totals  | \$87.71 \$                      | 3258.92   | \$84.00         | \$36.35   | \$363.06   | \$117.69  | \$610.47   |
|   |                                 |   |                 |   |  |   |  |
|   | Educational<br>Enterprizes      | Foreign Missions,<br>Africa   | India           | Home Missions   | W. H. & F. M.<br>Society   | Y. M. W. B.   | Sabbath Schools  |
| Spartanburg Piedmont Anderson Carlisle Walhalla Greenville Central Landrum Gaffney Mt. Olivet Glendale Bethany Westminster Easley                           | Educational S. 25               | \$30.65   | ipuI<br>\$14.85 | Home Missions   | \$36.50<br>\$36.50<br>\$19.57<br>\$22.56<br>37.00<br>6.00<br>6.00            | \$46.00<br>7.00<br>40.60<br>45.68<br>6.00<br>36.53<br>14.50<br>31.20<br>16.00<br>36.32          | \$78.68<br>40.00<br>20.00<br>69.52<br>71.32<br>12.76<br>5.56<br>25.00<br>10.97<br>27.14<br>31.00                   |
| Piedmont Anderson Carlisle Walhalla Greenville Central Landrum Gaffney Mt. Olivet Glendale Bethany Westminster  | \$.25                           | \$30.65<br>40.00<br>17.15   | \$14.85         | \$27.00   | \$36.50<br>19.57<br>22.56<br>37.00<br>6.00                                   | \$46.00<br>7.00<br>40.60<br>45.68<br>6.00<br>36.53<br>14.50<br>31.20<br>16.00<br>36.32<br>10.00 | \$78.68  40.00 20.00 69.52 71.32 12.76 5.56 25.00 10.97 27.14 31.00 17.50  |

|  | Amount of<br>Budget Assigne   | Budget<br>Contributed   | Building and<br>Repairs  | Church Extension | Incidental<br>Expenses   | Other Benevolent<br>Objects  |
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| Spartanburg Piedmont Anderson Carlisle Walhalla Greenville Central Landrum Gaffney Mt. Olivet Glendale Bethany Westminster | \$278.00<br>166.00<br>124.00<br>216.00<br>23.55<br>174.00<br>65.00<br>70.00 | \$424.50<br>112.20<br>123.40<br>181.45<br>64.85<br>69.70<br>116.30<br>19.50<br>311.80<br>20.60<br>23.75<br>106.70 | \$417.00<br>16.35<br>18.00<br>33.50<br>562.50<br>149.84<br>40.00<br>2.50<br>65.00<br>6.10<br>150.00<br>2019.00 | \$272.75<br>7.00 | \$137.79<br>50.00<br>68.95<br>30.34<br>21.50<br>12.00<br>33.85<br>23.00<br>26.00<br>12.00<br>18.06<br>33.00<br>25.00 | \$9.00<br>92.00<br>26.00<br>79.80<br>13.00<br>26.85<br>28.18<br>92.00<br>26.00 |
| Golden Grove .<br>Mt. Mission  | 106.51<br>182.00  | 101.51 94.00  | 15.30<br>200.00  | 8.00             | 6.50   |  |

Totals .... \*\$1406.06 \$1770.06 \$3695.09 \$294.75 \$497.99 \$392.83 Gaffney, Conference Incidental, \$1.00

|  | Minutes   | Gen, Conference<br>Delegate Ex-<br>pense Fund | Supt. Ministers'<br>Fund | Total Receipts   | Average Contribu-<br>tion Per Members  | Average for Missions  |
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| Spartanburg Piedmont Anderson Carlisle Walhalla Greenville Central Landrum Gaffney Mt. Olivet Glendale Bethany Westminster Easley Golden Grove Mt. Mission | \$6.50<br>3.70<br>1.75<br>2.71<br>2.45<br>2.30<br>1.20<br>1.10<br>3.20<br>.30<br>2.56<br>2.25<br>3.20<br>3.45 | \$3.50<br>.50<br>5.00                         | \$.50<br>2.10<br>.70     | \$2233.06<br>910.43<br>823.72<br>858.32<br>1055.61<br>693.43<br>877.17<br>260.07<br>221.15<br>747.01<br>122.37<br>255.48<br>668.41<br>2561.78<br>214.71<br>23.60 | \$9.78<br>10.90<br>3.20<br>3.33<br>12.71<br>9.27<br>8.08<br>4.00<br>7.18<br>4.07<br>5.55<br>19.00<br>38.58<br>2.33 | \$1.54<br>1.54<br>.97<br>.70<br>.78<br>.93<br>1.60<br>.50<br>3.34<br>1.03<br>1.88<br>3.79<br>2.94<br>1.02 |

Totals . . . . . \$36.57 \$9.00 \$4.30 \$12526.32 \$8.70+ \$1.40+ Walhalla, Tent Debt, \$5.50. Golden Grove, Tent Debt, \$10.00.

#### No. 7.

## Committee on Sunday Schools.

Your Committee on Sunday Schools kindly asks permission to present the following report:

During Moses' time God especially commanded the Jews to teach His Word to their children. We are not in a position to say what methods they used, but one thing is sure, and that is, so long as they obeyed the commandments they prospered. The Apostle Paul said: "All Scripture is given by inspiration of God and is profitable for doctrine, for reproof, for correction, for instruction in righteousness." Again, he said: "These things speak and exhort, with all long-suffering, gentleness and love." Again: "The same commit thou unto faithful men, who shall be able to teach others also." It is very plain that God has commanded us to teach His Word. In order that we may meet His requirements the Church has instituted the Sunday School.

The value of this great institution is apparent-

1st. Because it provides a means of reaching people with the Word of God that would not otherwise be influenced by it; and especially brings the young in touch with the Church and helps parents to train their children aright.

2nd. The Sunday School is the greatest means of the day for replenishing the Church.

The officers of the Sunday School should be those who are acquainted with the Lord. They should also be studious and ready to give assistance when called upon. The superintendent especially should be a representative man, deeply pious and possessing gifts of leadership. With such a man to lead and all the Church to help, success is sure to come. Someone has said, "Teachers are born, not made." If schools could always be supplied with such teachers, the lessons would become more interesting and helpful to the students. A teacher of much prayer is apt to lead their class to Christ.

We could not think of closing this report without urging all who can to take the teachers' training course. By this method all of our schools could in a short while be supplied with competent teachers.

We realize that the pastor is a busy man, yet we would earnestly request him to spend more time organizing the Sunday School work

and schools where none exists at the present time. In all of our efforts let us look to Him who said, "Lo, I am with you alway, even unto the end of the world," and with His help we cannot fail.

Respectfully submitted,

W. F. Stamey, J. A. S. Anderson, Committee.

### No. 8.

### State of the Work.

To the members of the South Carolina Conference. Dear brethren, greetings:

Your Committee on the State of the Work begs leave to submit the following report:

In traveling over the conference this year, we have found much to encourage and make us say, "Surely the Lord has a work for Wesleyan Methodists to do." The pastors are doing a work that we might well feel the Lord is using to His glory, and making a sacrifice that teaches us that our Father has yet a reserved people who will not bow the knee to Baal. In many places the work is moving forward with a steady tread, notwithstanding here and there a little carelessness that should be eliminated and more business-like methods be employed. Also, we might mention about a lack of enforcing the rules of our denomination that seems to be creeping in here and there, and will, if not checked, work harm to the flock of God. In order that this error may be corrected at the earliest possible date, we urge our pastors to make a careful study of our Discipline.

While much progress is being made, yet there is room for more workers in the harvest field. Therefore let us gird ourselves for pressing the battle with renewed zeal and thrust out our young preachers to work in the many places where calls are coming, that we older ones cannot fill because of the heavy work already, resting upon us.

Respectfully submitted,

J. R. Davis, Committee.

#### No. 9.

#### Moral Reforms.

Mr. President and Members of the South Carolina Canference: Your Committee on Moral Reforms begs leave to submit the following report:

We believe that all true reform will be brought about through the acceptance of the doctrines of Christianity and the prevalence of the experiences of regeneration and sanctification to such an extent that righteous laws will be adopted to enforce the principles of Christianity and protect all classes from the designs and oppression of the unregenerate and ungodly. Therefore, be it resolved that,

- 1. We rejoice in the progress being made in the cause of prohibition of the liquor traffic, and we will encourage in every righteous way the movement to outlaw the traffic by the adoption of constitutional national prohibition. To make such legislation effective, we favor the election to office of men who are pledged by party platform and otherwise to the principles of prohibition.
- 2. We register our approval of all the efforts that are being expended for the extermination of the white slave traffic, and trust to see laws enacted and enforced which will result in making such practices unknown among us.
- 3. We believe that the use of tobacco in all its forms is detrimental to humanity, in mind, body and soul. We believe that the government has a right to prohibit anything that injures its citizens. We, therefore, hope to see the day when that business will be keeping company with the liquor traffic in banishment from this fair land of ours.
- 4. We believe that Sunday business and Sunday excursions are detrimental to the moral and spiritual life of the people. We, therefore, advocate the passage of laws abolishing all business on the Sabbath day not necessary to the welfare of the people, and that in such business as may be necessary all employes should be given one day in seven as a day of rest.
- 5. We recognize but one scriptural ground for divorce and hereby reaffirm the position taken by our Book of Discipline with regard to re-marriage after divorce. We favor the adoption of uniform marriage and divorce laws throughout the various states.

Respectfully submitted,

S. Irving Keeler.

F. A. Butterfield.

### No. 10.

### Auditing Committee.

Your committee appointed to audit the report of the treasurer begs leave to submit the following report:

We have examined he report of the treasurer and find that his accounts and report are correct.

Respectfully submitted,

W. F. Stamey, C. H. Boggs,

Committee.

### No. 11.

### Report of Committee on Education.

Your Committee on Education begs leave to submit the following report:

Since God has made us responsible beings, in order to meet that responsibility he has endowed us with certain capacities and powers by which we become fitted to assume and meet the responsibilities for which we were created. This capacity may be included in the words, "Intellect, sensibility and will." things are necessary to an education:

First. We must be taught what we ought to do, or find out our calling in life.

Second. We must be taught how to do what we are called upon

Third. We must so discipline and train our powers that we can do what we ought to do in a manner that it will be done in a creditable manner, or be reasonably successful in what we do. The first part of an education is quickly attained. It takes a good deal of study to reach the second part. The third part-well, we are always in life's school in that department.

No one should undertake any work till they know that that is the thing they ought to do. Second. No one should assume the responsibility of doing what needs to be done till they have a sufficient knowledge of how to do it, so that they can do the work with a fair degree of proficiency. Third. We should never stop

learning how, but improve on life's work till the Lord calls us hence.

Our schools are for the purpose of giving us an education on the first and second lines, while experience and trial is the school in which the third is obtained. If we succeed fairly well without an education, we would succeed much better with one, being Spirit-filled.

> E. Teter, J. M. Hancock,

No. 12.

### Pastoral Relations.

We, your Committee on Pastoral Relations, kindly asks permission to submit the following report:

We recommend:

1st. That the duties of the president be defined as follows:

To hold the quarterly meetings, present the budget plan, take cash and subscriptions thereon, work in the interest of our school at Central, do all he can to increase the circulation of the Wesleyan Methodist, encourage the licentiates and help them in taking the Course of Study, and have general oversight of the work. We recommend that his compensation be three hundred dollars (\$300) and traveling expenses, with the understanding that he is to economize wherever possible.

2nd. That the duties of the conference evangelist shall be to hold revival meetings within the bounds of the conference, assist the weak churches and present the interests of our Church. For these services we recommend that he be paid a salary of six hundred dollars (\$600) for the conference year and traveling expenses, including freight on the conference tent.

We further recommend that a contract be entered into between the said conference evangelist and the Missionary Board, and his duties, etc., be defined in said contract.

3rd. That Rev. W. F. Stamey be employed as missionary evangelist at a salary of three hundred dollars (\$300) and his collections for the year. Also that his duties be defined by the Missionary Board by contract.

4th. That all licentiates not receiving appointments at the hands of this conference shall seek the advice of the president and Conference Missionary Board, with reference to fields of labor.

### Appointments.

Central Charge.—Central and Greenville— L. L. and Anna K. Folger, pastors.

Spartanburg Charge.—Spartanburg and Union—J. R. George, pastor.

Carlisle Charge.—Carlisle, Eden, Providence, Gaffney and Converse—J. M. Merrill, pastor.

Greer Charge. Greer, Bethany and O'Neal-J. A. S. Anderson, pastor.

Davis Chapel Church.-C. J. Goforth, pastor.

Easley Charge.—Easley, Picken's View and Graham Chapel—D. O. Powers, pastor.

Piedmont Charge.—Piedmont, Williamston, Reedy River and Pelzer—W. D. Correll, pastor; A. A. Abbott, assistant.

Anderson Charge.—Anderson, Fellowship, Oak Way and Belton —J. M. Hames, pastor; George James, assistant.

Golden Grove Charge.—Golden Grove, Smith's Chapel and Liberty—W. L. Miller, pastor.

Cateechee Church.-In hands of the president.

Mt. Olive Charge.—Mt. Olive and Martin's Grove—J. R. Garrett, pastor.

Westminster Charge.—Westminster and Rock Hill—J. T. Carey, pastor.

Walhalla Charge.-Walhalla, Welcome and Mountain View-Levi Rigdon, pastor.

Landrum Church.-J. W. Rawlins, pastor.

Glenville and Mountain Mission Work.—J. E. Merk and L. H. Kelley.

President of Conference-S. Irving Keeler.

Conference Evangelist-J. R. Davis.

Conference Missionary Evangelist-W. F. Stamey.

President of Wesleyan Methodist College-J. M. Hancock.

Teacher of Theology in Wesleyan Methodist College—S. Irving Keeler.

Teacher of Theology in Wesleyan Methodist College-L. B. Smith.

To choose their own field of labor-L. G. Clayton, C. A. Dunwoody, G. D. Watson, J. F. Mason, Dora Weibens.

To pursue the Course of Study-See report of Committee on

Itineracy and Orders.

S. Irving Keeler,
Chairman,
J. R. Davis,
D. O. Powers,
J. R. George,
D. M. Newton,
G. W. Davis,
W. A. Mathews,
Committee.

#### No. 13.

## Itineracy and Orders.

Your Committee on Itineracy and Orders begs leave to submit the following report:

We recommend that the South Carolina Conference be divided by a line running north and south between Greer and Greenville, into two districts, to be known as the East and West Districts. The purpose of this division to be for the holding of what is known as Fifth Sunday Conventions. We recommend that such a convention be held in each district on every fifth Sunday in each conference year.

S. Irving Keeler,
L. L. Folger,
J. W. Miller,
C. H. Boggs,
Committee.

No. 14.

#### Thanks.

We, the members of the South Carolina Annual Conference of the Wesleyan Methodist Church, do most earnestly extend our

thanks to the good people of the prosperous town of Greer for their open homes and kind hospitality while in their midst, and as we go we pray the blessings of the Great Head of the Church upon them.

D. O. Powers.

#### No. 15.

### Resolution of Respect.

Whereas, For so many years Dr. L. G. Clayton has been one of the leading spirits in the South Carolina Conference; and

Whereas, He has been such a loyal supporter of the cause of Christ as represented by the above-named conference; and

Whereas, He has known no sacrifice too great for him to make in order that the Church might prosper, even sacrificing to the point that it has brought to him untold suffering in body and financial losses; therefore be it

Resolved, That we as a conference tender to this, our brother, our most earnest thanks and heartfelt sympathy for all he has done for the cause of Christ through the conference, and pray that a kind Heavenly Father will bless him physically, mentally and spiritually. For well do we know that God alone can justly reward him for such good service, such a godly example and such spiritual help as this brother has brought to and been before us.

In all, he has served the conference eight years as president.

Done by the order of the conference, which ordered this printed in its journals and a copy sent to him.

J. M. Hancock, Secretary of Conference.

No. 16.

### Treasurer's Report.

#### Budget.

### Disbursements:

| School                                     | \$25.00  |            |
|--|----------|------------|
| Cleo Young, receipts                       | 73.05    |            |
| J. R. Davis, receipts                      | 39.00    |            |
| E. Teter, receipts                         | 201.50   |            |
| J. A. Clement, receipts                    | 30.65    | de Nove    |
| Y. M. W. B., cash, E. Teter                | 15.20    |            |
| Elizabeth Hartson, receipts                | 20.00    |            |
| Cash to J. R. Davis                        | 40.00    |            |
| One per cent., by action of the conference | 17.60    |            |
|  | \$461.46 |            |
| Cash to balance                            |          |            |
| Total                                      |          | \$1,765.07 |

# Foreign Missions.

# Receipts:

| Total receipts from all sources | \$45.00 |
|---------------------------------|---------|
| Disbursements:                  |         |
| Paid E. Teter, cash             | \$45.00 |

# Superannuated Ministers' Fund.

# Receipts:

| Total assets as reported last year | \$359.90 |          |
|------------------------------------|----------|----------|
| Interest on loans                  | 22.06    |          |
| Collected this year                | 5.40     |          |
| Total assets                       |          | \$387.36 |

| Church Extension Fund.  Receipts:  Received from all sources     |
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| Received from all sources  |
| Total on hand  |
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| Publication of Minutes.  |
| Receipts:  |
| Received from all sources \$27.24                                |
| Cash on hand   |
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| Tent Debt.   |
| Receipts:  |
| Received from all sources  |
| Disbursements:   |
| Credited on note   |
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| Conference Incidentals.  |
| Receipts:  |
| Reported last year\$3.17   |
| Received this year 1.20  |
| Total on hand \$4.37   |
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| Educational.   |
| Received from all sources\$1.25                                  |
| Transferred to school  |
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| General Conference Fund.   |
| Receipts:  |
| Assets reported last year\$33.90                                 |
| Interest on Hartson note. 2.40 From all sources this year. 11.05 |
| Total assets   |
| J. M. Hancock, Treasurer.  |

## OUR DEAD.

In order occurred, names, place of death and year.

Rev. H. G. Scuddy, Mosley, S. C., 1896.

Rev. I. M. Abbott, Pacific Grove, Calif., 1896.

Rev. B. J. Davis, Greer, S. C., 1898.

Rev. A. R. Willis, Canon, Ga., 1898.

Rev. J. D. Wilson, Central, S. C., 1900.

Rev. C. W. DePew, Pelzer, S. C., 1903.

Rev. W. B. Padgett, Easley, S. C., 1903.

Rev. L. J. Harrington, Central, S. C., 1911.

Rev. J. E. Martin, Central, S. C., 1913.

# SESSIONS OF CONFERENCE.

Sessions of the South Carolina Conference of the Wesleyan Methodist Church given in order of number, date, place, where held, president, secretary and number of members:

- 1. Central, November 1, 1893, H. S. Abbott, president; S. J. McElroy, secretary; 412.
- 2. Anderson, October 24, 1894, H. S. Abbott, president; S. J. McElroy, secretary; 637.
- 3. Central, November 6, 1895, S. J. Cowan, president; J. W. Baily, secretary; 580.
- 4. Oakway, September 21, 1896, W. H. Kennedy, president; S. J. McElroy, secretary; 740.

5. Calhoun, October 13, 1897, G. B. Nally, president; Estelle Gaines, secretary; 850.

6. Central, October 12, 1898, G. B. Nally, president; J. W.

Baily, secretary; 954.

7. Central, November 15, 1899, G. B. Nally, president; L. W. Johnson, secretary; 1,156.

8. Converse, November 6, 9100, L. G. Clayton, president; L. W.

Johnson, secretary; 1,131.

9. Spartanburg, November 13, 1901, L. G. Clayton, president L. W. Johnson, secretary; 1,133.

10. Pelzer, October 15, 1902, L. G. Clayton, president; L. W.

Johnson, secretary, 1,281.

11. Greer, November 18, 1903, L. G. Clayton, president; L. W. Johnson, secretary; 1,300.

12. Central, November 15, 1904, L. G. Clayton, president; Ina

Gaines, secretary; 1,608.

13. Anderson, November 22, 1905, E. Teter, president; Ina Gaines, secretary; 1,484.

14. Central, November 21, 1906, L. W. Johnson, president; Ina

Gaines, secretary; 1,634.

15. Piedmont, November 20, 1907, L. W. Johnson, president; Ina Gaines, secretary; 1,718.

16. Landrum, November 18, 1908, L. W. Johnson, president; Ina Gaines, secretary; \*1,975.

James, secretary, 1,975.

17. Greer, November 16, 1909, B. L. Padgett, president; J. M. Hancock, secretary; 1,670.

18. Greenville, November 29, 1910, M. T. Hartsoe, president; J. M. Hancock, secretary; 1,511.

Trancock, secretary, 1,511.

19. Piedmont, November 14, 1911, L. G. Clayton, president; J. M. Hancock, secretary; 1 553.

20. Central, November 12, 1912, L. G. Clayton, president; J. M. Hancock, secretary; 1,435.

21. Central, November 18, 1913, L. G. Clayton, president; J. M. Hancock, secretary; 1,289.

22. Greer, November 24, 1914, S. I. Keeler, president; J. M. Hancock, secretary; 1,440.

\* This number is too high. The conference never had as many members as these high reports show.

# WOMAN'S HOME AND FOREIGN MISSIONARY SOCIETY OF THE SOUTH CAROLINA CONFERENCE

#### Officers.

President: Miss Ina Gaines, Greer, S. C.

Vice-President: Mrs. Anna K. Folger, Central, S. C. Secretary: Mrs. Grace E. Hancock, Central, S. C. Treasurer: Mrs. Agnes Boggs, Calhoun, S. C.

Organizer: Miss Ina Gaines, Greer, S. C.

Superintendent Y. M. W. B.: Mrs. Grace E. Hancock, Central, S. C.

### Daily Proceedings.

The Woman's Home and Foreign Missionary Society of the South Carolina Conference met in regular session in the Victor Union church at Greer, S. C., at 10:00 A. M., November 22, 1914.

As the president was unable to attend, the society was called to order by the vice-president.

Scripture reading by Mrs. Alice Keeler, after which prayer was offered by Mrs. Anna Folger.

Roll call. The report of the Standing Committee was adopted. It was moved and carried that all Y. M. W. B. delegates be permitted to vote.

Mrs. Agnes Boggs was elected chairman of the Committee on Statistics with the privilege of selecting her helper.

Mrs. Davis and Mary Lee Wooten were elected Auditing Committee.

Reports from ten societies were read. See statistical report. On motion the society adjourned to meet at 3:30 P. M.

# Afternoon Meeting, November 22, 1914.

Society was called to order by the vice-president. Prayer was offered by Mrs. Agnes Boggs. Roll called.

The minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved.

Brother Garrett gave a very encouraging report of his work in
the mountains and also stated his plans for the coming year.

By motion it was decided to contribute one hundred dollars toward the expense of the mountain work and that this should be paid quarterly.

The statistical report was read and adopted. See report. The treasurer's report was adopted.

The officers were elected as follows:

President, Miss Ina Gaines.

Vice-President, Mrs. Anna K. Folger.

Secretary, Mrs. Grace E. Hancock.

Treasurer, Mrs. Agnes Boggs.

Organizer, Miss Ina Gaines.

Superintendent Y. M. W. B., Mrs Grace E. Hancock.

The election of delegates to the General Conference resulted as follows: Mrs. Grace E. Hancock, delegate. Mrs. Agnes Boggs, alternate delegate.

By motion, Miss Ina Gaines, Mrs. Grace E. Hancock, and Mrs. Agnes Boggs were elected a committee to prepare a program for the next annual meeting.

Adjourned to meet at the next annual conference.

(Mrs.) Grace E. Hancock, Secretary.

# Treasurer's Report of the Woman's Home and Foreign Missionary Society of South Carolina.

### Received Cash.

| Balance carried over                        | \$50.86  |
|---|----------|
| From dues                                   | 6.50     |
| From offerings                              | .90      |
| From Isaqueena Mill Society (Central S. C.) | 5.00     |
| From Greer Society                          | 23.50    |
| From Glendale Society                       | 6.00     |
| From Easley Society                         | 8.65     |
| From Landrum Society                        | 5.00     |
| From Greenville Society                     | 8.11     |
| From Central Society                        | 4.15     |
| From Piedmont Society                       | 15.97    |
| From Williamston Society                    | 4.25     |
| Total                                       | \$138 90 |
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| Cash Disbursed.                             |          |
| For Mountain Mission Work                   | \$50.00  |
| Balance on hand                             | 88.90    |
| Total                                       | \$138.90 |

| The following sums were raised and disbursed by local s and reported to the treasurer: | ocieties |
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| By Greer Society for Foreign Missions  | \$26.50  |
| By Easley Society for Church Work  | 75.46    |
| By Easley Society for Home Missions  | 4.00     |
| By Central Society for Home Missions   | 20.00    |
| By Central Society for Foreign Missions  | 15.00    |
| By Isaqueena Society for Home Missions   | 4.50     |
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| By Easity Society for Fronte Missions            | 7.00  |
|--|-------|
| By Central Society for Home Missions             | 20.00 |
| By Central Society for Foreign Missions          | 15.00 |
| By Isaqueena Society for Home Missions           | 4.50  |
| By Isaqueena Society for Foreign Missions        | 6.50  |
| By dsaqueena Society for Church Work             | 30.15 |
| By-Calhoun Society for Home and Foreign Missions | 10.00 |
| By Greenville Society for Church Work            | 10.25 |
| By Greenville Society for Home Missions          | 2.50  |
|  | 1000  |

Total \$204.86 Mrs. Alice E. Keeler, Treasurer.

# Statistical Report of W. H. and F. M. S., South Carolina Conference.

|             | Members | Active | Honorary | Amount Raised for<br>Home Missions | Amount for<br>Foreign Mission | For Medical | Total Receipts |
|-------------|---------|--------|----------|------------------------------------|-------------------------------|-------------|----------------|
| Easley      | 19      | 13     | 6        | \$4.00                             | \$3.00                        | \$1.65      | \$8.65         |
| Greer       | 21      | 17     | 4        | 10.00                              | 13.50                         |             | 23.50          |
| Glendale    | 16      | 12     | 4        | 3.00                               | 3.00                          |             | 6.00           |
| Landrum     | 7       | 2      | 5        | 2.00                               | 2.00                          | 1.00        | 5.00           |
| Piedmont    | 24      | 9      | 3        | 7.99                               | 7.98                          |             | 15.97          |
| Central     | 13      | 9      |          | 20.00                              | 15.00                         |             | 35.00          |
| Williamston | 10      | 4      |          | 2.25                               | 2.00                          |             | 4.25           |
| Isaquena    | 19      |        |          | 4.50                               | 6.50                          |             | 11.00          |
| Calhoun     | 9       | 8      | 1        | 5.00                               | 5.00                          |             | 10.00          |
| Greenville  | 19      | 11     | 9        | 4.05                               | 4.06                          |             | 8.11           |
| -           |         | -      | -        |                                    |                               | 1           | -              |
| Total       | 157     | 85     | 32       | \$62.79                            | \$62.04                       | \$2.65      | \$127.48       |