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PUBLIC RELIGIOUS SERVICES DURING CONFERENCE.

Wednesday Night—Preaching, by W. H. Crawford.

Thursday Night—Address, by Bishop Merrill. Subject: Our Missionary Society.

Friday Night—Address, by Bishop Merrill. Subject: Our Church Extension Work.

Saturday Night—Address, by Dr. Hartzell. Subject: The M. E. Church, and its Work.

SUNDAY.

Love Feast, 9:30 a.m., lead by A. J. Phillips.

11 a.m., Address by the Bishop, the dedication of Merrill's Chapel M. E. Church, and the Ordination of Deacons.

3 p.m., Preaching by Bishop Merrill, and ordination of Elders.

7:30 p. m., Lecture by Rev. Dr. Hartzell.

MINUTES OF CONFERENCE.

FIRST DAY.

WEDNESDAY, Feb. 11th, 1880.

The Second Session of the Little Rock Annual Conference of the Methodist Episcopal Church, convened February 11, 1880, at 10 o'clock, a. m., in Merrill's Chapel, Jacksonport, Ark., Bishop Stephen M. Merrill, D. D., presiding.

The Bishop conducted the opening religious services, which consisted in the reading of the 51st chapter of Isaiah, the 4th chapter of Galatians, the announcing and singing of the 765th Hymn, and leading the Conference in prayer.

The Secretary of the last session, I. G. Pollard, called the roll and the following members answered to their names: J. G. Thompson, W. H. Crawford, A. J. Phillips, I. G. Pollard, G. W. Taylor, G. W. Sams and Sam'l. Johnson.

On motion of A. J. Phillips, I. G. Pollard was re-elected Secretary, and

On motion of I. G. Pollard, J. G. Thompson was elected Assistant Secretary, and G. W. Sams and A. J. Phillips, were re-elected Statistical Secretaries.

On motion of I. G. Pollard, the usual committees were appointed, as follows:

On Public Worship—The P. E. and Pastor.

On Education—J. G. Thompson, W. O. Emory and Sam'l. Johnson.

On Church Extension—A. J. Phillips and W. H. Higgins.

On Missions—The Presiding Elders.

On Bible Cause—G. W. Sams and L. M. Layton.

On Sunday Schools and Tracts—G. W. Taylor and C. A. Tabor.

On Books and Periodicals—W. R. R. Duncan and W. O. Emory.

Memoirs—I. G. Pollard, J. G. Thompson and G. W. Sams.

Temperance—J. G. Thompson and A. R. Clardy.

Auditing—G. W. Sams and W. O. Emory.

Publication of the Minutes—The Secretaries.

On motion of I. G. Pollard, W. O. Emory was re-elected Treasurer of the Conference.

On motion of A. J. Phillips, the time for convening and adjourning the Conference was fixed at 10 o'clock, a. m., and 12:30 p. m.

On motion of W. H. Crawford, the hour of the Conference prayer meeting was fixed at 9:30 a. m.

The 3d question was then taken up:

Who remain on trial?

W. R. R. Duncan (Miss. coll., \$3.50), L. M. Layton (Miss. coll., \$1.00), Henry Moore (Miss. coll., .75), were reported favorably by the Committee on Examination in the first year's course of study, and, on motion, were continued on trial.

Burrel White (Miss. coll., \$1.85), Jeff. Peel (Miss. coll., \$2.50), were continued on trial subject to examination in the first year's course of study.

Alfred Saloan, L. B. Boston and William Pope, were discontinued.

A. Hardeman's name was called, a complaint was made against him by his Presiding Elder, for trying to defraud the Society at Devall's Bluff, out of their property, and his case, with those of A. Akeridge and Robert Boone, was laid over for the present.

Notices were given, the L. M. Doxology was sung and the Conference adjourned with the benediction by W. H. Crawford.

SECOND DAY.

THURSDAY, February 12, 1880.

Prayer meeting was conducted by G. W. Sams, and, at 10 o'clock a. m., Bishop Merrill called the Conference to order.

The Secretary read the Minutes of yesterday's session and they were approved.

On motion of A. J. Phillips, the calling of the roll was dispensed with.

On motion of A. J. Phillips, the names of all the members who had paid 50 cents or more, to the Missionary cause, during the past year, were ordered published in the Minutes of the Conference.

The 4th question was then taken up:

Who are admitted into full connection?

William O. Emory (Miss. coll., \$10.00), Ulysses S. Kitchens (Miss. coll., \$2.50), Albert R. Clardy (Miss. coll., \$5.00), were favorably reported by the Committee on Examination in Second year's course of study, were called before the altar, answered the usual disciplinary questions, were addressed by the Bishop, and admitted into full connection and elected to Deacons orders.

Charles Scott was discontinued at his own request.

Question 6th was taken up:

Who are the Deacons of the second class?

Samuel Johnson (Miss. coll., \$7.50), was reported favorably by the committee of the 3d year, and was passed to Deacons of the 2d class.

Question 7th was taken up:

Who are elected and ordained Elders?

Robert Legrand, on motion of Bro. Crawford, was continued a Deacon of the 2d class.

Samuel Johnson, passed in the 4th year's course, was elected to Elder's orders, he having been two years a traveling Deacon.

The 3d question was resumed, and William H. Higgins (Miss. coll., \$10.00), and Charles A. Tabor (Miss. coll., \$2.50), were reported favorably by the committee, and continued on trial.

Jesse C. Johnson was discontinued at his own request. Martin L. Quinn was discontinued, and John Hoffman was reported transferred to the Arkansas Conference.

William M. Todd was reported deceased, by his Presiding Elder.

On motion of I. G. Pollard, the election of a delegate to the

General Conference, was made the order of the day for tomorrow at 11 o'clock.

Question 10th was then taken up:

Was the character of each preacher examined?

W. H. Crawford represented the Little Rock District, and his character, with those of J. G. Thompson (Miss. coll., \$34.00), G. W. Sams (Miss. coll., \$25.00); G. W. Taylor (Miss. colls \$14.25), A. J. Phillips, (Miss. coll., \$26.50), passed.

On motion of I. G. Pollard, W. H. Crawford, A. J. Phillips and Samuel Johnson were elected a Board of Stewards.

Also, an order was made on the chartered fund for \$30.00.

On motion of I. G. Pollard, J. G. Thompson, G. W. Sams and Samuel Johnson, were appointed a committee to draft a constitution and plan for a Preacher's Aid Society, to be reported at the next session of the Conference.

Also, W. O. Emory was appointed to collect the accounts of the New York Book Concern.

The Bishop presented and the Secretary read a communication from the Book Agents, announcing the assessment of \$20.00 to this Conference to be raised to defray the General Conference expenses.

On motion of I. G. Pollard, the Presiding Elders were requested to assess the amount to the several charges at once.

The L. M. Doxology was sung and the Conference adjourned, with the benediction by J. G. Thompson.

THIRD DAY.

FRIDAY, Feb. 13, 1880.

Prayer meeting was conducted by Bro. Samuel Johnson.

Conference convened at 10 a. m., Bishop Merrill presiding.

Minutes of yesterday were read and approved.

The 8th question was taken up:

Who are the Supernumerary Preachers?

Robert Legrand was continued in that relation.

Bro. Cameron, of St. Louis, representing the Book Concern,

was introduced by the Bishop and made some very encouraging remarks.

The 10th question was resumed, and I. G. Pollard represented the White River District, and, his character, with that of Elzie Roberts (Miss. coll., \$20.00), passed, Elzie Roberts was granted a location at his own request.

The order of the day was called—the election of a delegate to the ensuing General Conference, and on motion of W. H. Crawford, the vote was taken by ballot:

The Bishop appointed Samuel Johnson and W. O. Emory tellers.

The Secretary called the roll. The vote was cast; there being ten members present, six being necessary to a choice—the result was declared:

W. H. Crawford, six; I. G. Pollard, four; and the Bishop declared W. H. Crawford elected.

On the sixth ballot A. J. Phillips received six of the ten votes cast, and was accordingly declared elected reserve delegate.

Brother Crawford presented a communication from Miss. H. M. Perkins, relating to Walden Seminary, and it was read by the Assistant Secretary.

On motion of I. G. Pollard, it was referred to the Committee on Education.

An invitation was received from Miss. Perkins, inviting the members of the Conference to attend an exhibition to be held in Walden Seminary, Tuesday evening, Feb. 17th, and, on motion it was accepted and thanks returned.

Question 20th:

Where shall the next Conference be held?

Hot Springs and Pine Bluff were nominated, and the vote being taken, Hot Springs was selected.

The annual report of the Book Committee was presented by the Bishop and read by the Secretary, and

On motion of I. G. Pollard, it was referred to the committee on Books and Periodicals, to be placed on file.

The L. M. Doxology was sung, and Conference adjourned with the benediction by Bro. Sams.

FOURTH DAY.

SATURDAY, Feb. 14, 1880.

Prayer meeting was conducted by G. W. Taylor.

Conference convened at 10 a. m., Bishop Merrill presiding. Minutes of yesterday's session read and approved.

Rev. J. C. Hartzell, D. D., editor of the South-Western Christian Advocate, was introduced.

The 3d question was resumed, and Allen Akeridge was discontinued at his own request.

Robert Boone was continued subject to the first year's examination.

A. Hardeman was discontinued.

A. J. Phillips moved that the case of L. B. Boston be reconsidered; the vote was taken and it was not reconsidered.

Question 21st: Have any Local Preachers been ordained?

Simon Linning, recommended from the White River District Conference, was elected to Deacon's order.

Question 2d was taken up:

Who are admitted on trial?

Edward R. Carr, Foster Wallace, Simon Liming, Laban Anderson and Wm. Henderson were admitted on trial.

On motion of I. G. Pollard, Conference adjourned to 3 p. m., with the benediction by Dr. Hartzell.

Conference convened at 3 o'clock p. m., Bishop Merrill presiding.

The Conference sang the 212th Hymn, and Samuel Johnson led the Conference in prayer.

Minutes of the morning session were read and approved.

The following Elders were elected Triers of Appeals: W. H. Crawford, I. G. Pollard, J. G. Thompson, A. J. Phillips, G. W. Sams, G. W. Taylor and Samuel Johnson.

The 21st question was called:

What is the Statistical Report?

See Statistics.

The following committees reported:

Bible Cause. (See Report.)

Temperance. (See Report.)

Auditing. (See Report.)

Church Extension. (See Report.)

Presiding Elders report of Walden Seminary. (See Report.)

Treasurer's Report. (See Report.)

Sunday Schools and Tracts. (See Report.)

Name of Conference, Board of Ch. Ex. (See the List.)

Resolutions were introduced by G. W. Sams, as follows:

WHEREAS, Our people are generally poor, and are not able to meet their assessments generally. Whereas, there has been some dissatisfaction with some of our brethren; therefore,

Be it Resolved, 1st. That no preacher of the Little Rock Conference shall be allowed to go within the bounds of another's work and beg money, or take up a public collection, without first consulting the pastor.

G. W. SAMS.

WHEREAS, There are so many men strolling about through the country claiming to be preachers, and in many cases, when the secret of their character is found out, they are drunkards or committers of crime, and are escaping or fleeing from the justice of the law; therefore

Be it Resolved, 1st. That we, the members of the Little Rock Conference, will not use any man who may come among us in any public work, who do not come properly recommended.

2d. That we will also teach our people to be aware of the same.

G. W. SAMS.

The Conference then adjourned with benediction by Brother Sams.

FIFTH DAY.

MONDAY, Feb. 16, 1880.

Prayer meeting was conducted by W. H. Higgins.

Conference convened at 10 a. m., Bishop Merrill presiding.

A communication from the Book Agents was read by the Assistant Secretary, and the paper was placed on file.

On motion of I. G. Pollard, Samuel Johnson, W. O. Emory and Louis M. Layton were elected members of the Board of Trustees of Walden Seminary for three years.

The Bishop presented the following certificate:

This certifies that I ordained Wm. O. Emory, Ulysses S.

Kitchens, Albert R. Clardy and Simon Linning, to the office of Deacon, on Sunday, February 15th, 1880, in Jacksonport, Arkansas. Also, on the same day and in the same place, by the assistance of Elders present, I ordained Samuel Johnson to the office of Elder.

S. M. MERRILL.

The 17th question was taken up:

What are the claims on the Conference Fund? Nothing.

What has been received on account of the foregoing and how applied?

Received \$30.50, and placed in the hands of Samuel Johnson. (See Steward's Report.)

The following committees made reports, as follows: (See Reports.)

On Education; on Publication of the Minutes; on Books and Periodicals; Freedmen's Aid.

Bro. Cameron of St. Louis, made remarks in favor of the C. C. Ad., and Rev. Dr. Hartzell represented the S. W. C. Ad., and

On motion of I. G. Pollard, the report was adopted.

Committee on Missions reported, and the report was adopted.

The following resolutions were passed:

Resolved, That we, the members of the Little Rock Conference hereby request the General Conference to re-elect Rev. J. C. Hartzel, D. D., editor of the *South-Western Christian Advocate*.
G. W. SAMS.

Resolved, That we thank Bishop Merrill for the kindness and brotherly sympathy with which he has conducted the affairs of this Conference.

2d. That should it be in the providence of God for him to come again among us, we shall always hail his coming as that of a father.

I. G. POLLARD,

G. W. SAMS,

A. J. PHILLIPS.

Resolved, That we heartily approve the *Central Christian Advocate*, and its editor, Rev. Dr. Fry, and shall take pleasure in recommending it to our people.

Resolved, That the thanks of this Conference are hereby tendered to the St. Louis, Iron Mountain and Southern Railroad, for reduced fare to the same.

Resolved, That the thanks of this Conference are hereby ten-

dered to the citizens of Jacksonport for their generosity in entertaining the Conference during its present session.

On motion of I. G. Pollard, L. M. Layton was added to the committee on the Publication of the Minutes. He was also elected Recording Secretary of the Conference.

The following resolutions, presented by L. M. Layton, were unanimously adopted.

WHEREAS, Our Heavenly Father in his inscrutable providence, has allowed our brother, Rev. W. M. Todd, to be taken by wicked men and cruelly put to death, for no other cause than preaching the Gospel to and associating with the colored people; therefore, be it

Resolved. First, While we bow in submission to the Divine decree, we most deeply deplore the condition of public sentiment in and around Brinkley, to allow such an outrage to occur.

Second, That in the death of Bro. Todd, our work has suffered a loss that cannot be easily repaired.

Third, That we recognize in Bro. Todd, on account of his fidelity to church, his clear intellect, his warm, brotherly heart, a young man that bid fair for great usefulness in the church.

Fourth, That we rejoice that God's saving grace was sufficient and so powerfully manifested in the triumphant death of our beloved brother, and we realize that our loss in his death was his eternal gain.

Fifth, That we pledge ourself to a more complete consecration of our lives to the cause of the Master, and the great church in whose service he has fallen a martyr.

Sixth, That a copy of these resolutions be sent to the South-western Christian Advocate, Central Christian Advocate and Christian Advocate for publication.

On motion of W. H. Crawford, the following resolution was passed:

Resolved, That every preacher receiving an appointment hereby subscribe for the *South-Western Christian Advocate*, and authorizes the publishers to mail it to each Preacher in charge.

On motion of I. G. Pollard, the Conference adjourned *sine die*.

The Bishop made some very encouraging remarks. He told us we were here to establish a purer and higher standard of Methodism. After which the appointments were made, as follows. (See Appointments).

The Bishop pronounced the benediction.

I. G. POLLARD.

Secretary.

S. M. MERRILL.

President.

APPOINTMENTS OF LITTLE ROCK CONFERENCE.

LITTLE ROCK DISTRICT.

W. H. CRAWFORD, Presiding Elder.

Wesley Chapel	J. G. Thompson.
Little Rock Circuit	Burrel White.
Sweet Home	Jeff Peel.
Argenta	U. S. Kitchens.
Hot Springs	Samuel Johnson.
Van Buren	A. J. Phillips.
Fayetteville and Bentonville	To be supplied.
Lewisburg	Henry Moore.
Center Point	Robert Boone.
Paraclifta	A. R. Clardy.
Hope and Washington	G. W. Taylor.
Louisville	W. R. R. Duncan.
Little River	Edward R. Carr.
Magnolia	To be supplied.

WHITE RIVER DISTRICT.

I. G. POLLARD, Presiding Elder.

Jacksonport and Newport	W. O. Emory.
Batesville	W. H. Higgins.
Pocahontas	Wm. Henderson.
Pine Bluff	G. W. Sams.
Lonoke	L. M. Layton.
DeVall's Bluff	Simon Linning.
Brinkley and Clarendon	Laban Anderson.
Forrest City	Foster Wallace.
Rob Roy	C. A. Tabor.

COMMITTEE OF EXAMINATION:

For Admission on Trial.—Sam'l Johnson, W. O. Emory.

FIRST YEAR.

W. O. Emory. A. R. Clardy.

SECOND YEAR.

G. W. Sams. U. S. Kitchens.

THIRD YEAR.

G. W. Sams. G. W. Taylor.

FOURTH YEAR.

A. J. Phillips. J. G. Thompson.

COURSE OF STUDY.

For Admission on Trial.—English Branches, Bible and Discipline.

FIRST YEAR.—Wakefield's Theology—Part 1st; Wesley's plain Account of Christian Perfection; Ruter's Church History; Kidder's Humiletics; Bible and Discipline continued.

SECOND YEAR.—Wakefield's Theology—Part 2d; Merrill on Baptism; Bible and Discipline continued, and a Written Sermon.

THIRD YEAR.—Wakefield's Theology—Part 3d; Nast's Introduction; Morris' Sermons, and a Written Sermon.

FOURTH YEAR.—Wakefield's Theology—Part 1st; a Written Sermon, Written Answers to the fourth year's study, laid down in the Discipline. Read Wesley's Sermons during each of the four years.

CONFERENCE BOARD OF CHURCH EXTENSION.

W. H. Crawford, President; A. L. Richmond, Vice President; G. W. Sams, Corresponding Secretary; I. G. Pollard, Recording Secretary; Wm. LaPort, Treasurer. Additional Members—A. J. Phillips, J. A. Douglass, Boswell Crompton.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES.

BIBLE CAUSE.

WE your Committee on the Bible Cause, respectfully submit the following report:

WHEREAS, A knowledge of God's Holy Word is necessary to salvation, And whereas, there is much ignorance even among the members of our churches, on this the most important of all subjects; And whereas, Where the people are conversant with the doctrines and truths of the Bible, they are the most enlightened and cultured; therefore

Resolved, 1st. That we, as Ministers of the Gospel, will bring before our several congregations the great importance of Bible study, and will endeavor to increase the efficiency of our Sunday School work among the children in this respect, and would recommend the use of the Berean Lesson Series in all our Sabbath Schools.

2d. That we recognize in the American Bible Society one of the great forces which is elevating and evangelizing our fallen race, and we pledge ourselves to lay its claims before our people.

3d. That we will endeavor to ascertain as early in the year as possible, whether the people over our several works have a copy of the Bible in their homes, and where we find they have not, we will try and persuade them to purchase one.

G. W. SAMS,
L. M. LAYTON,

TEMPERANCE.

WE, your Committee on Temperance, submit the following report:

WHEREAS, Our last General Conference took decided grounds against the use of all fermented liquors, as a beverage, and the use of tobacco, in any form, especially amongst Ministers; And whereas, we, as a body of Christian Ministers, see the great necessity of temperance among our people; therefore

Resolved, That we will preach against intemperance and make ourselves the examples of our congregations.

Faithfully submitted,
J. C. THOMPSON,
A. R. CLARDY,

AUDITING COMMITTEE.

The Auditing Committee submitted the following report.

We have carefully examined the accounts of the Presiding Elders and find that the Missionary money has been applied by them according to the appropriations made for the Conference year, commencing Feb. 21, 1879, and ending at this session.

G. W. SAMS,
W. O. EMORY.

CHURCH EXTENSION.

The Committee on Church Extension made the following report:

WE, your Committee on Church Extension, beg leave to submit the following:

WHEREAS, The Church Extension Society has been instrumental in doing a great good by assisting many of the weak societies to provide suitable houses of worship in many of the southern and western States, and we feel it due to acknowledge its real worth, and also to assign it a place next in importance only to the Missionary Society; therefore

Resolved, That we will carry out faithfully the provisions of the Discipline, for the support of this cause, and will preach on the subject and take up a collection in all our congregations endeavoring to secure, at least, the amount asked for.

Resolved, That the methods of the society for the disbursement of its funds, commend themselves to our full confidence; and we recommend that, in all cases, these methods be carefully and strictly observed.

A. J. PHILLIPS,
W. H. HIGGINS.

STEWARDS.

THE Conference Stewards respectfully recommend that the Chartered Fund and the collection for Conference claimants, amounting to \$30.50, be placed in hands of James Johnson, to be kept subject to future orders of the Conference.

W. H. CRAWFORD.
G. W. SAMS.
S. JOHNSON.

TREASURER.

JACKSONPORT, ARK., Feb. 16, 1880.

RECEIVED of W. O. Emory, Conference Treasurer of Little Rock Conference, the following amounts in cash, for benefit of causes as therein stated:

Missionary Society.....	\$155 25
Sunday-School Union.....	8 75
Tract Society.....	7 00
Church Extension Society.....	23 85
Educational Fund.....	6 65
Episcopal Fund.....	23 7J

Total.....\$225 25

HITCHCOCK & WALDEN,
Per John H. Cameron, Cashier.

EDUCATION.

The Committee on Education reported the following:

WHEREAS, We regard Christian education the hope of the Church and the freedom of man, and the light of the world that will light up all the dark corners of the earth and points to the Lamb of God that takes away the sins of the world; therefore, be it

Resolved, That, as Christian ministers, we will do all we can to create and encourage public sentiment in favor of Sunday schools and the circulating of tracts among the people, and we will preach and take up a collection for the same at each of our appointments, once a year.

G. W. TAYLOR,
C. A. LABOR.

WALDEN SEMINARY.

We realize more than ever the great importance that should be attached to the education of our people, both colored and white, and that if we fail in this matter our efforts as a Church will prove a failure. We rejoice that Walden Seminary, under the direction of Miss H. M. Perkins, has done faithful work and achieved glorious results in endeavoring to educate many of our colored people, and we recommend that the preachers of this Conference work actively, as sub-agents, in sending students and taking collections for it.

J. G. THOMPSON,
S. JOHNSON.

PUBLICATION OF THE MINUTES.

Resolved, First, That the Secretaries be a Committee to publish the Minutes.

Second, That the Presiding Elders be held responsible for the payment of the same, in proportion to the number of charges in their respective Districts, and that they collect the same from the preachers proportionately.

Third, That five hundred copies be printed.

BOOKS AND PERIODICALS.

WHEREAS, The people within the bounds of our Conference are destitute of that kind of literature which is most likely to furnish them the best information; and

WHEREAS, There is much literature of a trashy nature afloat in the country; and

WHEREAS, The Book Concern of the M. E. Church is one of the largest and most reliable publishing houses in the world, with an invested capital of more than \$2,000,000, and consequently is

able to furnish us with all the books, tracts and periodicals, and of the purest quality; therefore,

Resolved, First, That we will do all we can to bring our publications before the people.

Resolved, Second, That we heartily indorse the "Southwestern Christian Advocate," with Rev. J. C. Hartzell, D. D., as its editor, and adopt it as the official organ of our Conference, and pledge ourselves to an earnest effort to increase its circulation among the people we serve.

W. O. EMERY,
W. R. R. DUNCAN.

FREEDMEN'S AID SOCIETY.

Your Committee on the Freedmen's Aid Society reports the following:

We regard the work of this society as one of the greatest in importance.

The Christian education of the people lies at the very foundation of all our work. The object of this Association being to furnish (as shown by the numerous schools established and sustained by it; and by the character of the instruction given; and by the manifest growth in the intelligence and culture of the pupils;) a thorough Christian education, we rejoice in the prosperity of the school located in our bounds, viz: Walden Seminary, at Little Rock; therefore,

Resolved, That we recommend this school to the patronage of the Church and the public, and urge upon our preachers, as far as practicable, to labor to secure a still larger attendance of students—especially those in Theology—and otherwise promote its interests.

Resolved, That we recommend to the Board of Trustees to continue Miss H. M. Perkins as Principal.

Resolved, That we recommend to the Trustees to use all diligence to procure from our members and friends the necessary amount that they might claim the aid promised by the Freedmen's Aid Society, that they may be able to get land and erect a suitable building for the accommodation of the pupils in the Teaching, Board and Lodging departments, especially those coming from a distance.

Resolved, That we request the General Conference to appoint Dr. Rust as Corresponding Secretary of the Freedmen's Aid Society.

Faithfully submitted,

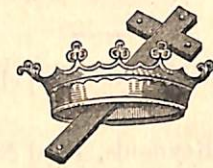
J. G. THOMPSON,
W. O. EMORY.

Number of Institutions, 1; name of Institution, "Walden Seminary;" location, Little Rock; grade, "Seminary;" name of Principal, Miss H. M. Perkins; when founded, 1878; number of instructors, 1. Number of students—Theological, 3; Academical and Normal, 37; Intermediate, 61; Primary, 10; total, 108. Graduates, none; degrees, none; no buildings; no grounds; furniture consists of desks, chairs, etc., worth \$100, more or less; no endowment; volumes in library, unknown.

Income from Tuition.....	\$162 70
" Rent.....	8 50
" Music Class.....	5 25
" Public Exhibition.....	2 40
" Stereopticon.....	11 30

Total.....\$240 30

Supported by Freedmen's Aid Society
H. CRAWFORD.



IN MEMORIAM.

Rev. William M. Todd was born in Pulasky county, Ky., near Wanesburg, February 3d, 1857. His father's name was C. T. Todd, and his mother's Susan Todd. His father was a physician, and at the close of the war moved with his family to Fairfield, Ill., where they resided eight years, when they removed to this State. Bro. Todd was converted and joined the M. E. Church at a quarterly meeting, held in Up-Church Chapel, Little Rock Circuit, in August, 1878. He at once felt his call to the ministry, and was licensed to preach at the Little Rock District Conference, held at Sweet Home in January, 1879. He was admitted on trial into the Little Rock Annual Conference, February 21st, 1879, and appointed to Brinkley, Ark., by Bishop E. G. Andrews. He died at the home of his sister, in Little Rock, April 23d, 1879, in the twenty-third year of his age, from the effects of a shot received while preaching at Brinkley, and from subsequent exposure in the swamps into which he was driven by a band of masked men (a full account of which was given at the time, in the papers). He died in the full triumph of the faith he had so faithfully preached. Among his last words he said: "Tell the people of Brinkley I forgive them all." Thus a brave young martyr to liberty and truth passed away, but the influence of his short life will live until all the dark places of this and every land shall have been redeemed from the curse of sin and prejudice.

J. G. POLLARD,
I. G. THOMPSON,
G. W. SAMS.

LAY ELECTORAL CONFERENCE.

The Delegates met in Merrill's Chapel, Jacksonport, Feb. 13, at 3:30 o'clock p. m.

On motion of Wm. Reynolds, Fred Nelson was elected temporary Chairman.

On motion of A. J. Handy, C. C. Riely was elected Secretary.

On motion of C. C. Riely, a Committee on Credentials was appointed, as follows: Laben Anderson, A. J. Handy and Wm. Reed.

The Committee reported the following persons present and holding accredited credentials: Jackson Brown, Luben Anderson, Wm. Reynolds, Simon Linning, Cheasman Adams, Wm. Reed, Fred Nelson, C. C. Riley, A. J. Handy, Edward Pinkett, Mrs. Mary Wright and Mrs. Mary Wallace.

On motion of Wm. Reynolds was elected permanent Chairman and, on motion of A. J. Handy, C. C. Riely was elected permanent Secretary.

After prayer by Bro. Edward Pinkett, the Chairman announced that the object of the Conference was to elect a Delegate to the ensuing General Conference, and also a Reserve. The vote was taken by ballot. A. L. Richmond received eleven votes and C. C. Riely one, and Bro. Richmond was declared elected. The vote was taken for reserve, and Mrs. Margie Laport received nine, Fred. Nelson two, and C. C. Riely one, and Sister Laport was declared elected.

On motion of A. J. Handy, the minutes were read and approved, and the Conference adjourned *sine die*.

C. C. RIELY, *Secretary*.

FRED. NELSON, *President*.

MISSION REPORTS.

The Committee on Missions report the following appropriations.

LITTLE ROCK DISTRICT.

District	\$500 00
Sweet Home.....	50 00
Little Rock Circuit.....	20 00
Lewisburg.....	50 00
Fayetteville and Bentonville	40 00
Hot Springs	75 00
Hope and Washington.....	140 00
Centre Point.....	25 00
Paraclista	25 00
Lewisville.....	50 00

Total for District..... \$975 00

WHITE RIVER DISTRICT.

District	\$500 00
Jacksonport and Newport.. ..	90 00
Batesville	50 00
Pocahontas	40 00
Pine Bluff.....	180 00
Rob Roy.....	100 00
Lonoke	50 00
DeVall's Bluff	40 00
Brinkley and Clarendon.....	50 00
Forrest City.....	125 00
	\$1,225 00
	975 00

Total for Conference \$2,200 00
I concur in the above appropriations.

S. M. MERRILL.

February 16, 1880.

List of persons contributing 50 cents, or more, to the Missionary cause, during the past year:

LONOKE CIRCUIT.

Jane Farr.....	\$1 00	Scipio Martin	\$ 50
William Reed	1 00	Giles Jackson.....	1 00
Amanda Reed	1 00	James Taylor	1 00
Eliza Jordan	1 00	Mat Morgan	1 00

Eli Foster	50	Ellen Ward.....	1 00
Ester Reed.....	50	Martha Boone.....	1 00
Della Reed.....	50	Kitty Bogard.....	1 00
Lucy Reed.....	55	Chancey Adams.....	1 00
Mary Harper	50	Mary Jinkins.....	1 00
Ned Blair.....	1 00	Polly Gardiner.....	1 00
Henry Green.....	50	Jane Reidson.....	50
Jack Lee	50	Katie Adams.....	50
Eliza Green	50		

VAN BUREN CIRCUIT.

Simon Marrs.....	\$1 00	Jane Dass.....	\$ 50
Lewis Bean.....	1 00	Rosa Burks	50
Solomon Seals.....	1 00	Spencer Harris	50
Wm. Wright.....	1 00	Mat Taytom.....	50
Daniel Thompson	1 00	Laura Woods	50
Anna Maxey.....	1 00	William Tibbits	50
Angeline Bates.....	1 00	Mrs. Parelee Steward...	50
Martha Caldwell.....	1 00	Maggie Pryor.....	50
Lydia Faulkner.....	1 00	Charley Wade.....	50
Fannie Banks.....	50	Oliver Maxey	50
Edward Caldwell.....	1 00	Charlotte Wade.....	50
Nancy Buckley.....	50	Martha Wright	50
Katie Marrs	50	Mary Payne.....	50
Amanda Harris.....	50	Edie Wilson.....	50
William King	50	Martha Brown.....	50
Martha Dibbrell.....	50	Phoeby Walker.....	50
Fannie Maxey.....	50	Giles Brown.....	1 25
Randell Maxey.....	50	Ann Tibbits	50
Sue Waters	50	Evelina Thompson.....	1 00

SWEET HOME AND ARGENTA CIRCUIT.

Ed Smith	\$ 50	T. C. Curtice.....	\$ 50
Samuel Davis.....	50	Harriet Pennington....	50
Mary J. Kizah.....	50	Wm. Curtice.....	50
Wm. Neeley.....	50	Phoebe Curtice.....	50
Henry Halley.....	50	Maggie Perkins.....	50
Easter Keziah	50	Hulda Mathus.....	50
Squire Little	50	Martha Dowdell.....	50
Robert Bell	50	Abraham Potter.....	50
Adam Curtice.....	50	Moses Bearden.....	50
J. S. M. Scippio.....	50	Daniel Conley.....	50
Richmond Sparks.....	50	Hager Conley.....	50
Alden Tilman.....	50	Alphred Sifold.....	50
M. C. Scippio.....	50	Mary Crane.....	50
Laura Patterson.....	50		

BATESVILLE CIRCUIT.

W. H. Higgins.....	\$1 00	Rachael Jeffrey.....	\$ 50
Peter Swanson.....	1 00	Harriet Smith	50
William Henderson....	1 00	Milly Swanson.....	50
Quincy Davison.....	50	Laura Swanson.....	50
James Archey.....	50		

ROB ROY CIRCUIT.

Edmond Turner.....	\$ 50	Ned Allen.....	\$ 50
Sarah Turner.....	50		

CENTER POINT CIRCUIT.

M. C. Gamble.....	\$1 00	C. Thurman.....	\$1 00
A. Fautain.....	1 00	H. Aydon.....	50

PARACLIPTA CIRCUIT.

R. McClennon.....	\$1 00	M. Smith.....	\$ 50
N. McClennon.....	50	S. McGee	50

WESLEY CHAPEL.

B. Crompton.....	\$ 50	Julia Walker.....	\$ 50
W. P. Anderson.....	50	Ben Woods.....	1 00
O. Hurtt, sr.....	50	H. Scruggs.....	50
Margaret Greenfield....	50	Jefferson Wells.....	50
A. L. Richmond	50	J. C. Morau.....	50
Daniel Arthur.....	50	Maranda Crompton....	1 00
H. G. Clay	50	A. Fulch.....	1 00
Charles Brown.....	50	M. L. Thompson.....	50
A. C. Crawford.....	50	M. A. Thompson.....	50
Charles Sutton.....	50	Elizabeth Smith.....	50
Osborn Hill.....	50	Jordon Tolor.....	50
L. E. Stephens.....	50	Abraham Smith.....	50
T. Smith.....	50	H. G. Logan.....	50
Mrs. Bell.....	50	Jackson Lewis.....	50
Ida Branch.....	50	Julia Scruggs.....	50
Permelia Tocus.....	1 00	Harman Scruggs.....	50
Patsy Kelly.....	50	D. W. Johnson.....	50
Martha Bateman.....	50	R. Winfrey.....	50
Thomas Wilkins.....	50	S. Winfrey.....	50
Angeline Jackson.....	50	J. Givens.....	50
Emanuel Armstrong.....	50	R. May.....	50
C. C. Riley.....	50		

No. 1--Statistics for Little Rock District, Little Rock Conference, for 1879-80.

CIRCUITS AND STATIONS.	Memberships.				Children Baptized.	Adults Baptized.	No. of Churches.	Probable Value of Church Property.	Parsonages.	Probable Value.	S. Schools			FOR MISSIONS.				BENEVOLENT COLLECTIONS.																
	Probationers.	Full Members.	Local Preachers.	Death.							Teachers and Officers.	Scholars of all Ages.	Conf. Clergymen.	Churches.	Sabbath Schools.	Total.	Woman's Foreign Missionary Society.	Board of Church Extension.	Tract Society.	Sunday School Union.	Freedmen's Aid Society.	Education.	American Bible Society.											
Little Rock, Wesley ch. and Sweet Home	10	116	4	2	6	11	\$ 1000	.....	.....	1	38	135	\$ 50	\$ 29	50	\$ 34	80	50	\$ 6 00	50	\$ 1 00	\$ 0 55	\$ 1 00	\$ 50	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
and Argenta.	28	216	9	3	12	9	500	.....	.....	10	40	200	.....	25	00	25	00	.....	.....	5 00	50	1 75	50	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Hot Springs.	33	38	2	3	20	1	2500	1200	1	5	40	200	.....	6	00	1 00	7 00	.....	.....	1 00	1 00	2 00	1 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Lewisburg.	2	90	4	1	1	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	2	12	.....	75	.....	75	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Centre Point.	99	115	2	20	11	4	700	.....	.....	2	5	50	.....	15	40	15	40	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Paraclete.	25	80	1	4	4	1	325	.....	.....	3	12	127	.....	14	00	25	14	25	.....	1 00	40	25	1 60	15	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Lewisville.	2	60	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	3	50	3	50	.....	.....	1 50	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Arkadelphia	2	60	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1	85	1	85	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
& Caddo Gap.	12	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	50	.....	50	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Magnolia	15	80	1	1	17	1	550	.....	.....	1	12	75	.....	26	50	1 45	27	95	.....	1 25	2 00	4 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Van Buren	2	19	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	2	50	2	50	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Fayetteville & Bentonville.	52	124	1	2	7	11	1	350	.....	2	7	85	.....	5	00	5	00	.....	.....	75	.....	50	1 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Little Rock Dis.	277	1034	26	11	105	105	14	6925	1 100	21	121	724	50	130	50	8	138	50	.....	16	50	2 40	4 25	30	90	2 65	1 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
White River	113	328	13	.....	44	44	6	2826	.....	16	77	418	.....	61	80	1 00	62	80	.....	13	60	2 30	2 25	19	75	2 00	15	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Gr and Total.	309	1362	39	11	149	149	23	\$ 8851	1 \$1003	37	198	1142	\$ 50	193	30	\$ 90	\$ 201	30	\$ 50	\$ 22	10	\$ 4 70	\$ 60	\$ 50	65	\$ 4 65	\$ 1 15

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CIRCUITS AND STATIONS.	MEMBERSHIP.										BENEVOLENT COLLECTIONS.																	
	Probationers.			Full Members.			Local Preachers.				Church Property.			S. School s.			FOR MISSIONS.			Board of Church Extension.				Tract Society.	Sunday School Union.	Freedmen's Aid Society.	Education.	American Bible Society.
Jacksonport and Newport.....	3	78	1	2	18	17	2	1	\$ 600 00	1	12	75	\$10 0	\$10 00	2 00	
Batesville	42	58	2	3	20	17	2	4	625 00	4	20	150	9 00	\$1 00	10 00	2 00	
Pocahontas	10	30	2	3	4	17	2	7	7	4	50	2 50	2 50	
Augusta	7	11	2	3	1	200	00	2	200 00	4	4	40	1 00	.....	1 00	1 45	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Lenoke	14	61	2	10	12	1	5 00	3	5 00 00	6	40	20	20 00	.....	20 00	5 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Pine Bluff.....	7	15	2	2	2	1	600 00	1	600 00	6	23	10	55	.....	10 55	1 50	45	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
De Witt.....	1	18	3	1	300	00	1	2	300 00	1	10	75	.....	.....	75	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Devalls Bluff	1	12	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	3 00	1 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Forrest City .....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Des Arc .....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Carlisle	2	19	1	12	9	.....	.....	1	.....	3	12	2 00	.....	.....	2 00	1 15	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Brinkley	27	26	2	2	1	100	00	1	100 00	1	20	18	2 50	.....	2 50	1 50	10	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Rob Roy	113	38	13	41	44	7	\$2925 00	16	7	77	418	\$61 80	\$1 00	\$62 80	\$15 60	\$ 2 30	\$ 2 25	\$19 75	\$2 00	\$ 15		
Total.....		

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No.2--Statistics for Little Rock District, Little Rock Conference, for 1879-80.

CIRCUITS AND STATIONS.	COLLECTIONS, ETC.					SUNDAY SCHOOLS.													SPECIAL COLLECTIONS.					
	Support of Bishops.	Building and Improving Churches and Parsonages.	Indebtedness on Churches and Parsonages.	Claims for Ministerial Support.	Receipts for Ministerial Support.	Number of Sunday Schools.	Officers and Teachers.	Scholars of all Ages.	Scholars 15 years old and over.	Scholars under Fifteen.	Scholars in Infant Class.	Average Attendance of Teachers and Scholars.	Officers and Teachers who are Church Members or Probationers.	Scholars who are Church Members or Probationers.	Conversions.	Library Books.	Total Expenses of School This Year.	S. School Journals Taken.	S. School Advocates Taken.	Exodus	Sick.	Poor.	Delegate.	Law Suit.
We ley Chapel.....	\$ 2 00	\$ 35 00	\$ 60 00	\$ 836 00	\$ 819 00	1	38	135	25	80	30	95	12	21	.....	25	\$ 50 00	15	\$10 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Sweet Home and Argonia.....	3 00	20 00	15 00	554 00	288 35	10	40	200	75	75	50	100	10	50	13	200	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Hot Springs.....	2 00	264 23	50 00	400 00	260 00	1	5	40	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	30	9 00	6	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Lewisburg.....	25	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Centre Point.....	2 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Paradise.....	2 50	125 00	.....	313 13	189 50	1	12	127	70	30	27	60	11	60	43	150	5 60	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Lewisville and Arkadelphia and Caddo Gap.....	1 00	50 00	.....	.....	51 70	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Magnolia.....	.....	.....	.....	50 00	62 50	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Van Buren.....	2 00	10 00	.....	342 50	321 35	1	12	75	25	15	35	50	15	25	20	75	20 00	50	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Alma.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Fayetteville and Bentonville.....	1 00	50 00	.....	225 00	218 18	2	7	82	15	30	40	65	7	15	20	100	8 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Little Rock District.....	15 75	554 23	125 00	2720 50	2210 58	19	121	721	235	232	227	425	65	188	137	600	92 61	50 21	10 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
White River District.....	4 10	1068 50	50 00	1505 00	877 00	15	74	408	164	168	73	234	50	95	57	583	83 80	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Grand Total.....	\$19 75	\$1022 73	\$ 175 00	\$4225 50	\$3087 58	34	195	1129	389	420	340	659	115	283	194	1185	\$76 40	50 21	\$10 00	\$ 4 05	\$ 9 00	\$17 00	\$13 00	\$13 00

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CIRCUITS AND STATIONS.	COLLECTIONS, ETC.					SUNDAY SCHOOLS.												
	Support of Bishops.	Building and Improving Churches and Parsonages.	Indebtedness on Churches and Parsonages.	Claims for Ministerial Support.	Receipts for Ministerial Support.	Number of Sunday Schools.	Officers and Teachers	Scholars of all Ages.	Scholars Fifteen Years Old and Over.	Scholars under Fifteen, except Infant Class.	Scholars in Infant Class.	Average Attendance of Teachers and Scholars.	Officers and Teachers who are Church Members or Probationers.	Scholars who are Church Members or Probationers.	Conversions.	Library Books.	Total Expenses of School This Year.	
Jacksonport and Newport.....	\$ 1 50	\$ 600 00	\$50 00	\$ 292 50	\$ 246 50	1	12	75	47	25	47	12	10	8	75	75	\$27 00	
Batesville.....	1 25	45 00	.....	347 50	178 25	4	20	130	50	60	100	20	10	3	40	39	75
Pocahontas.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Augusta.....	.....	200 00	.....	100 00	77 75	2	4	40	15	17	18	3	6	1	15	15	3 80
Loneoke.....	1 75	38 50	.....	350 00	222 00	3	6	40	10	10	20	4	8	3	40	40	25 00
Pine Bluff.....	.....	.....	.....	225 00	27 00	1	6	23	10	13	18	4	.....	.....	.....	40	2 00
De Witt.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	100	.....
Devals Bluff.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Forrest City.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	40	40
Des Arc.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	20	25 00
Carlisle.....	.....	137 00	.....	97 00	39 75	1	2	12	8	4	12	2	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Brinkley.....	.....	50 00	.....	100 00	77 75	1	20	18	9	9	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Rob Roy.....	
	\$ 4 50	\$1068 50	\$50 00	\$1505 00	\$ 877 00	15	74	408	164	168	73	234	50	95	57	583	\$83 80	

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ANNUAL EXHIBIT

Of the Western Methodist Book Concern, for the year ending
November 29, 1879.

MERCHANDISE.	ASSETS.
Books, bound and in sheets, stationery, etc., in Cincinnati.....	\$130,684 00
Books, bound and in sheets, stationery, etc., in Chicago.....	34,050 50
Books, bound and in sheets, stationery, etc., in St. Louis.....	18,018 07
Books, bound and in sheets, stationery, etc., in Atlanta.....	9,938 81
Presses, plates, type, printing paper, etc., in Cincinnati.....	\$192,691 38
Presses, plates, type, printing paper, etc., in Chicago.....	\$157,568 09
“ “ “ “ in St. Louis.....	7,837 37
“ “ “ “ in Atlanta.....	806 97
Material and tools in bindery at Cincinnati.....	1,731 50
Cuts, material and tools in stereotype foundry at Cincinnati.....	167,943 93
Furniture and fixtures, and heating apparatus, in Cincinnati.....	15,341 02
Furniture and fixtures, engine, boilers, fire-escape, etc., in Chicago.....	4,124 90
Furniture and fixtures in St. Louis.....	\$ 4,550 00
Furniture and fixtures in Atlanta.....	14,540 80
	1,305 00
	460 35
REAL ESTATE.	
In Cincinnati.....	20,856 15
In Chicago.....	\$178,000 00
In St. Louis.....	80,000 00
	40,000 00
NOTES AND ACCOUNTS	\$298,000 00
In Cincinnati.....	
In Chicago.....	139,354 18
In St. Louis.....	106,375 35
In Atlanta.....	30,917 10
	9,453 95
Deduct twenty five per cent. for probable losses.....	\$286,100 58
Due from Episcopal Fund.....	71,525 14
	214,575 44
Cash on hand.....	32,194 91
	16,403 56
NOTES AND ACCOUNTS.	
In Cincinnati.....	\$962,131 29
In Chicago.....	
In St. Louis.....	397,096 87
In Atlanta.....	54,759 91
	33,835 00
Net Capital Nov. 29, 1879.....	2,261 04—487,952 82
“ “ “ “ 30, 1878.....	\$474,178 47
Profit for the year.....	446,371 33
Circulation of Periodicals November 29, 1879.	\$27,807 14
Western Christian Advocate.....	19,408
Golden Hours.....	4,500
Hearth and Home.....	6,982
Central Christian Advocate.....	10,046
Sandebudet (Scandinavian).....	1,976
Teachers' Journal (average).....	40,750
Picture Lesson Paper.....	55,000
Sunday-School Advocate.....	95,000
Sunday-School Bell.....	26,500
Little Folks (German).....	7,000
National Repository.....	8,074
Christian Apologist.....	15,649
Nor. Wes. Christian Advocate.....	15,663
Methodist Advocate.....	2,720
Quarterly Review.....	1,150
Berean Lesson Leaf (average).....	449,000
Berean Quarterly.....	“
S. S. Classmate.....	“ 10,000
Bible Lessons.....	“ 28,000
	“ 23,200

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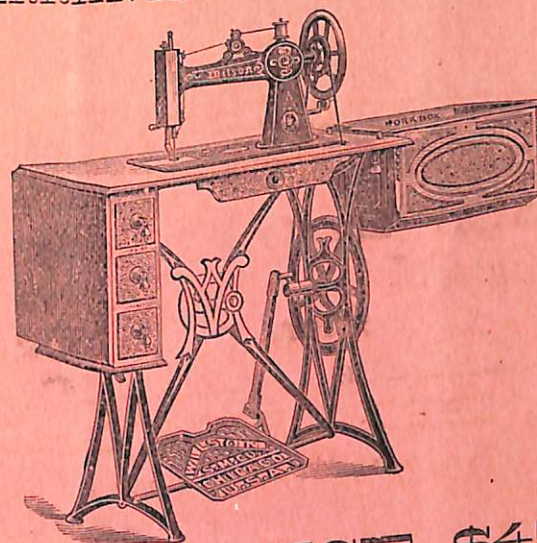
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