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OF THE

Methodist Episcopal Church

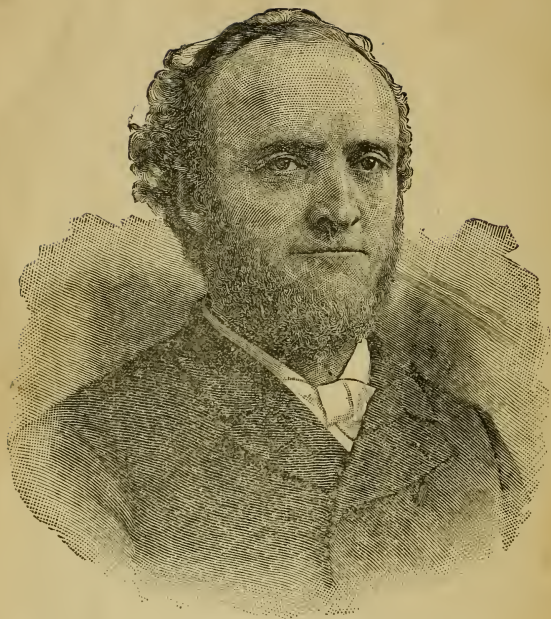
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ATLANTIC MISSION CONFERENCE
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THE METHODIST EPISCOPAL CHURCH.
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OFFICERS:

PRESIDENT—Bishop Charles H. Fowler, D.D., L.L.D.

SECRETARY—C. M. Levister, Marshallberg.

ASS'T. SEC'Y.—T. S. Davis, Winfall.

STATISTICIAN—U. S. Crowder, Morehead City.

TREASURER—J. F. Usrey, Pates.

CONFERENCE COMMITTEES.

EXAMINERS:

President, C. M. Levister; Registrar, U. S. Crowder; W. Q. A. Graham, T. S. Davis, J. F. Usrey, J. T. Hardesty.

BOARD OF CHURCH EXTENSION:

President, W. Q. A. Graham; Secretary, U. S. Crowder; Treasurer, W. A. Way; Additional, T. S. Davis, J. T. Hardesty, U. S. Crowder, C. M. Levister, J. F. Usrey, S. C. Whitehurst, William Powell, H. A. Goodman, T. S. Palmer.

TRIERS OF APPEALS.

Chairman, W. Q. A. Graham; J. F. Usrey, U. S. Crowder.

To preach the Missionary Sermon—Leolan Jackson; T. S. Davis, Alternate.

CONFERENCE ROLL.

NAME.	RANK.	WHEN ADMITTED.
Bridgers, J. B.	Deacon.	1897.
Chappell, M. L.	Deacon.	1898.
Crowder, U. S.	Elder.	From Blue Ridge
Davis, T. S.	Deacon.	" " "
Fitch, W. S.	Elder.	1899.
Graham, W. Q. A.	Elder.	From Blue Ridge
Hardesty, J. T.	Deacon.	" " "
Hunter, C. F.	Deacon.	1898.
Jackson, Leolan.	Deacon.	1897.
Levister, C. M.	Deacon.	1897.
Lowrey, H. H.	Elder.	From Blue Ridge
Luther, W. H.	Deacon.	1899.
Midgett, E. J.	Deacon.	1898.
Moore, J. V.	Deacon.	1893.
Sisk, J. A.	Elder.	From Blue Ridge
Smith, J. M.	Deacon.	1898.
Usrey, J. F.	Deacon.	From Blue Ridge
White, U. S.	Deacon.	" " "

CONFERENCE APPOINTMENTS.

W. Q. A. GRAHAM, Superintendent, Morehead City, N. C.

CHARGE.	PASTOR.	POST-OFFICE.
Avon	M. L. Chappell.	Buxton
Bethlehem.	{ C. M. Levister.	Marshallberg
	{ J. V. Moore.	
Chowan	J. B. Bridgers	Whaleyville, Va
Elizabeth City	W. S. Fitch.	Elizabeth City
Fayetteville.	(To be supplied)	Fayetteville
Goldsboro.	J. M. Smith.	Goldsboro
Morehead City.	U. S. Crowder.	Morehead City
New Bern.	C. F. Hunter.	New Bern
Northampton.	U. S. White.	Brink, Va
Ocracoke.	W. H. Luther.	Ocracoke
Parmele.	Leolan Jackson.	Bethel
Pates.	J. F. Usrey.	Pates
Rowlands.	H. H. Lowrey.	Elrod
Washington.	J. T. Hardesty.	Washington
Winfall.	T. S. Davis.	Winfall
Wildwood.	(To be supplied).	Wildwood

DISCIPLINARY QUESTIONS.

1 Who have been received by transfer, and from what Conferences? None.

2 Who have been Readmitted? William S. Fitch, (Located New England Southern Conference, 1898.)

3 Who have been Received on Credentials, and from what Churches? None.

4 Who have been Received on Trial? (a) In studies of First Year. W. H. Luther.

5 Who have been Continued on Trial? (a) In studies of First Year. James M. Smith, Moody L. Chappell, Jesse V. Moore. (b) In studies of second year. Henry H. Lowrey, James B. Bridgers, Charles F. Hunter. (c) In studies of third and fourth year. None.

6 Who have been Discontinued? Evan J. Midgett.

7 Who have been Admitted into Full Membership? (a) Elected and Ordained Deacons this year. None. (b) Elected and Ordained Deacons previously. Charles M. Levister, Leolan Jackson:

8 What members are in studies of Third Year? (a) Admitted into Full Membership this year. Charles M. Levister, Leolan Jackson. (b) Admitted into Full Membership previously. None.

9 What Members are in studies of Fourth Year? Jesse F. Usrey, Thomas S. Davis.

10 What Members have Completed the Conference Course of Study? (a) Elected and Ordained Elders this year. Junius T. Hardesty. (b) Elected and Ordained Elders previously. None.

11 What others have been Elected and Ordained Deacons? None.

12 What others have been Elected and Ordained Elders? None.

13 Was the Character of each Preacher examined? This was strictly attended to as each name was called in open Conference.

14 Who have been Transferred, and to what Conferences
None.

15 Who have Died? None.

16 Who have been Located at their own Request? None.

17 Who have been Located? None.

18 Who have Withdrawn? None.

19 Who have been permitted to Withdraw under Charges or
Complaints? None.

20 Who have been Expelled? None.

21 What other personal Notation should be made? None.

22 Who are the Supernumerary Preachers? None.

23 Who are the Superannuated Preachers? None.

24 Who are the Triers of Appeals? W. Q. A. Graham, J.
F. Usrey, U. S. Crowder.

25 What is the Statistical Report for this year? See Blank
No. 1.

26 What is the Aggregate of the Benevolent Collections ordered by the General Conference, as reported by the Conference Treasurer? \$247.00.

27 What are the Claims on the Conference Fund? None.

28 What has been Received on these Claims, and how has it been Applied. \$30.00 ; placed to credit of Relief Fund.

29 Where are the Preachers stationed. See Appointments.

30 Where shall the Next Conference be held. Marshall-
berg, N C.

FIRST DAY.

THURSDAY, OCT. 5, 1899.

The Atlantic Mission Conference of the Methodist Episcopal Church, convened for its Third Session at Elizabeth City, North Carolina, on Thursday, Oct 5, 1899. at 9:30 A. M., Bishop Charles H. Fowler, D. D., presiding.

The Bishop announced the Hymn, commencing, "There is a Fountain filled with blood," after the singing of which he led the Conference in prayer.

Bishop Fowler then administered the Sacrament of the Lord's Supper, assisted by Drs. W. Q. A. Graham and J. F. Dodd.

The Secretary of the last session being absent, the Roll was called by Superintendent Graham.

The following named responded to the call : W. Q. A. Graham, U. S. Crowder, J. T. Hardesty, J. F. Usrey, T. S. Davis.

The names of Probationers being called, the following named were present : C. F. Hunter, M. L. Chappell.

On motion of W. Q. A. Graham, C. M. Levister was elected Secretary, and T. S. Davis as his Assistant.

On motion, U. S. Crowder was elected Statistical Secretary, and Leolan Jackson as his Assistant.

On motion, J. F. Usrey was elected Conference Treasurer, and J. T. Hardesty was elected as his Assistant.

On motion of Superintendent Graham, the following stand-committees were appointed :

Public Worship—W. Q. A. Graham, C. F. Hunter.

Missionary Appropriation—W. Q. A. Graham, U. S. Crowder.

Freedman's Aid and Southern Education Society—J. T. Hardesty, Leolan Jackson, C. M. Levister.

Sunday School Union and Tract Society—M. L. Chappell, J. B. Bridgers, J. M. Smith.

Auditing Committee—C. M. Levister, U. S. Crowder.

Conference Stewards—C. F. Hunter, J. B. Bridgers, U. S. White.

Periodicals—T. S. Davis, U. S. Crowder.

Education—W. Q. A. Graham, C. M. Levister, Leolan Jackson, U. S. White.

Temperance—J. T. Hardesty, J. F. Usrey.

Sabbath Observance—M. L. Chappell, U. S. Crowder.

Bible Society—C. M. Levister, Leolan Jackson.

Church Extension—W. Q. A. Graham, C. M. Levister, U. S. White, Leolan Jackson.

Missions—T. S. Davis, U. S. White, J. B. Bridgers.

Question 13 was taken up, "Was the character of each preacher examined?"

The character of W. Q. A. Graham was passed, and he made report of the work under his care as Superintendent.

The character of J. A. Sisk, an effective elder, who was not present at this session, was passed.

The character of U. S. Crowder was passed, and he made a report of his charge, and work for the year.

Question 10 was taken up, "What members have completed the Conference course of study?"

The character of J. T. Hardesty was passed, the Registrar made report as to examination, and on motion of W. Q. A. Graham, he was passed in studies of the Fourth year, and elected to Elder's order.

The character of J. F. Usrey was passed, and on motion of W. Q. A. Graham, he was continued in the studies of the Fourth year.

Question 9 was taken up, "What members are in studies of Fourth year?"

The character of T. S. Davis was passed, and after report by Registrar as to Examination, he was on motion of W. Q. A. Graham, advanced to studies of Fourth year.

On motion of W. Q. A. Graham, the hours of meeting and adjournment were fixed at 9.30 A. M. and 12 00 NOON, the first half hour for devotional exercises.

At this point Bishop Fowler, on behalf of Dr. J. F. Dodd, the Secretary of Newark Conference, presented a 400 page Journal to the Atlantic Mission Conference for their use in the years to come, in which he had already transcribed the minutes of the first and second sessions.

Dr. W. Q. A. Graham offered the following, which was adopted by a rising vote :

Resolved—That the thanks of this Conference be given to Dr. Dodd for his very acceptable and useful gift ; That we assure him of a warm place in our affections,—and that we will be always glad to welcome him in our midst.

On motion of W. Q. A. Graham, the accounts of the Book Concerns, with the brethren of this Conference were placed in the hands of J. F. Dodd, with request that he look after the same.

A draft was ordered on the Book Concern for \$30.00, our share of the dividend for the current year.

Communications were received from various sources, and on motion the same were referred to the proper committees for consideration, and report.

On motion of W. Q. A. Graham, a Statistical Session was ordered for 4 P. M. today.

Bishop Fowler appointed J. F. Dodd to preside at said session.

The Bishop designated J. W. Wheeler to lead the prayer service tomorrow morning, and J. F. Usrey to conduct the devotional service this afternoon.

On motion the Conference adjourned.

The doxology was sung ; benediction was pronounced by J. F. Dodd.

FIRST DAY—AFTERNOON SESSION.

The Conference met in Statistical Session at 4 P. M., John F. Dodd, D. D., presiding by appointment of the Bishop.

J. F. Usrey conducted the devotional exercises. The charges were called in alphabetical order. Statistical reports were handed to the Statistical Secretary ; and the monies collected for the various benevolences, to the Conference Treasurer.

On motion the Conference adjourned. The benediction was pronounced by C. F. Hunter.

SECOND DAY.

FRIDAY, OCT. 6, 1899.

Conference met 9 30 A. M., Bishop Fowler in the chair.

At 10 o'clock the Bishop called the Conference to order for business.

The Journal of yesterday morning was read and approved.

The Journal of the afternoon session was read and approved.

Question 7 was taken up, "Who have been admitted into full membership?"

Charles M. Levister and Leolan Jackson were called forward.

The Bishop addressed the candidates concerning the office and work of the ministry; asked the Disciplinary questions, to which satisfactory replies were given.

The Registrar made report as to examinations in studies; the Superintendent made proper representation in each case; and the Secretary reported the filing of required answers to questions concerning debt and tobacco.

On motion of Superintendent Graham, made in each case, Charles M. Levister and Leolan Jackson were admitted; each having been previously ordained deacon.

On motion of W. Q. A. Graham, H. H. Lowrey was continued on trial in the studies of the Second year.

On motion the Superintendent was instructed to examine H. H. Lowrey in his studies and report concerning same at the next Conference.

On motion of C. F. Hunter, the Superintendent was continued as committee to negotiate with the Blue Ridge Conference in regard to an equitable division of the Relief Fund.

The committee on Public Worship having reported their failure to secure expected speaker for the anniversary this evening, it was announced that Dr. Dodd would preach.

Committees were called and notices given.

On motion the Conference adjourned.

The doxology was sung, and the benediction was pronounced by the Bishop.

THIRD DAY.

SATURDAY, OCT. 7, 1899.

The Conference met at 9.30 A. M., Bishop Fowler presiding. At 10 A. M. the Bishop called the Conference to order for business.

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

Question 5 was resumed, "Who have been continued on trial?" C. F. Hunter was called and reported his work. The Registrar made report as to examination in studies; and after proper representation by the Superintendent, he was advanced to the studies of the Second year.

M. L. Chappell reported his work, and after representation by the Superintendent, was, on his motion, continued in studies of the First year.

J. V. Moore being absent, he was represented by Superintendent Graham, and on motion, continued in studies of the First year.

J. B. Bridgers was called and made report of his work. The Registrar made report as to his examination in the course of study, the Superintendent made proper representation, and on his motion he was advanced to the studies of the Second year, with instructions to bring up those studies of the first year in which he had not been examined.

James M. Smith being absent, he was represented by the Superintendent, and on his motion continued in the studies of the First year.

The Sixth question was called, "Who have been discontinued?" On motion of the Superintendent, Evan J. Midgett was discontinued at his own request.

Question 2 was taken up, "Who have been readmitted?" On motion of Superintendent Graham, William S. Fitch was readmitted on certificate of location from the New England Southern Conference, 1898.

Question 30 was called, "Where shall the next Conference be held?" Marshallberg and Winfall were placed in nomination. After representation in each case a vote was taken, and Marshallberg was chosen.

The Conference Treasurer read his report, and on motion it was adopted.

On motion of W. Q. A. Graham, the plan to equalize the travelling expenses of the members to the seat of Conference was adopted.

Question 4 was taken up, "Who have been received on trial?" W. H. Luther, a local Elder of the Elizabeth City Quarterly Conference, was, after a report on examination by the Registrar, and proper representation by Superintendent Graham, on his motion, received on trial.

The Bishop directed the Superintendent to nominate a Deaconess Board. The following names were placed in nomination, and on motion of Dr. Graham, appointed: W. Q. A. Graham, U. S. Crowder, C. M. Levister, J. F. Usrey, J. T. Hardesty, Leolan Jackson, Mrs. Virginla Hurdle, Mrs. Ella Hunter, and Mrs. Bertie Root.

Question 24 was then taken up, "Who are Triers of Appeals?" On motion, W. Q. A. Graham, J. F. Usrey and U. S. Crowder were appointed.

On motion of the Superintendent, C. M. Levister was appointed Chairman of the Board of Examiners.

Report of the Statistical Secretary was read; and on motion was adopted.

On motion of W. Q. A. Graham the following Boundary line was adopted:

"Atlantic Mission Conference shall include that part of the State of North Carolina lying East of the Western line of Halifax, Nash, Johnston, Harnett and Cumberland Counties; and so much of Richmond County as lies East of a line running from the town of Pike on the North line thereof, to the town of Gibson on the South line of said county, and also the work among the Croatan Indians."

On motion of the Superintendent the following was adopted, and a copy furnished the Bishop for presentation :

MEMORIAL TO THE GENERAL CONFERENCE.

"The Atlantic Mission Conference hereby gives notice to the Virginia Conference that it will memorialize the General Conference to set off Princess Anne, Norfolk, Nansemond, Southampton, Greenville and Brunswick Counties from said Virginia Conference, and attach the same to the Atlantic Mission Conference, as an integral part of said body."

On motion of Superintendent Graham, U. S. Crowder was appointed secretary of the Conference Board of Church Extension, and C. M. Levister additional member.

Leolan Jackson was appointed to preach the Missionary sermon, and T. S. Davis alternate.

On motion in each case, resolutions of thanks to the Bishop and Rev. J. F. Dodd were adopted.

The various standing Committees presented their reports, on motion in each case they were adopted.

Rev. W. S. Penick, D. D., pastor of the Missionary Baptist Church, Elizabeth City, was introduced to the Conference.

The Superintendent read the report of the Committee on Missionary Appropriation, and upon approval by the Bishop, same was adopted.

On motion, the Superintendent and the Recording Secretary were appointed a Committee to edit and publish the Minutes.

On motion of C. M. Levister the plan of last year for publishing the Minutes was adopted.

The Trustees of the Relief Fund reported \$92.54 on hand.

The following resolution was offered by J. F. Usrey, and on motion of T. S. Davis, adopted :

"Whereas, our Conference is composed of young men, and whereas, we have no Conference Claimants, Be it resolved ;

That each pastor be required to pay at least one dollar per annum for the relief fund."

On motion it was ordered that when we adjourn it be to meet at the close of the Sabbath evening services to hear the appointments read.

The Conference adjourned. The benediction was pronounced by the Bishop.

EVENING SESSION.

SUNDAY EVENING, OCT. 8, 1899.

Conference met pursuant to adjournment ; Bishop Fowler presiding.

On motion of U. S. Crowder, it was ordered that when Conference adjourn it be "sine die "

The appointments were read by the Bishop.

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

RESOLUTIONS AND REPORTS.

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT.

DEAR BISHOP AND BRETHREN : In rendering this Third Annual Report I desire to say first of all that the God of battles has been our helper during the year that is just closed. He has been our refuge and strength. Praise His name. Through his mercy the death angel has been kept from our homes and although some of us have had to watch through dark nights of affliction by loved one's bedsides we have possessed faith to believe that "these light afflictions which are but for a moment shall work out for us a far more exceeding and eternal weight of glory."

It pleases me to be able again to report progress. A faithful years work has been done which has resulted in quite an increase in membership, nearly double any former amount for benevolences, six new churches and a general inspiration throughout our entire work.

Bishop, our difficulty is not in finding territory to enter, opportunity to organize or members to gain. These we can find in abundance. The field is already white unto the harvest, but our laborers are few and our means with which to do the work, limited.

But it is no easy task we have before us. Most of us are very crude material and require much cutting and polishing before we can be made into such Methodist Episcopalians as comprise the membership of our great church. This work, of course, requires time. We will some day reach a higher standard of excellence but now, we must ask our critics to be friendly and to see, in our humble accomplishments, great advancement from our former condition.

We were visited only a few weeks ago by a Hurricane which did us considerable damage. The U. S. Signal Service report the velocity of the wind at 160 miles per hour. Three of our churches were blow down, two of which were totally wrecked. This hurricane did immense damage to crops in the farming sections which, of course, will cause our financial reports to be less than they otherwise would have been. But notwithstanding this fact the aggregate will be nearly, if not quite, doubt what it was last year.

W. Q. A. Graham, Supt.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON EDUCATION.

Your committee on Education beg leave to report as follows:

No subject connected with the intelligent presentation of the cause of Christ demands more attention at our hands in the beginnings of our work, than the cause of Education.

Strong, vigorous, christian manhood is neither promoted or developed by ignorance. Methodism considers the phvsical as well as the spiritual needs of man and aims at the highest possible development of both.

If we would take our place side by side with these denominations and prove by our fruits our right to exist, we too must have a fountain of knowledge, at which the youth of our church may drink.

We have in Graham Academy, Marshallberg, N. C., the beginning of such an institution.

With proper care and encouragement we can develop here, that which will be an object of pride and a source of power for God and Methodism in the year to come.

Each preacher should feel the burden of this cause and as he enters the homes of his people, should encourage the boys and girls to enter our school, there to prepare themselves to enter the battle of life.

By so doing he may be instrumental in warming into life the dormant powers of some youth that in future may sway multitudes with the great truths of the gospel, and thereby bring many souls to Christ.

We are largely indebted to the organized agencies of the church, the Educational Society, the Freedmans Aid and Southern Education Society, for what we have been able to accomplish; but we wish to impress upon our people the need of their coming to the rescue, and helping to place the institution upon a firm basis.

The school has in material equipment an Academy building con-

taining 8 rooms, and a Dormitory building planned for 15 rooms, 9 of which are about ready for occupancy; but better equipments are needed in the Academy building and better furnishing are needed for the Dormitories.

Our mission among the people with whom we labor, demands that we give attention to the training of their mental as well as their spiritual faculties.

In order to do this we must furnish them such opportunities as will best enable them to fit themselves properly for the places which they are to occupy in the great work of bringing sinners to Christ.

We need therefore, in our conference grounds, a strong educational institution. Other denominations in our State have these mighty aids to their work.

The M. E. Church South has its Trinity; the Baptist, Wake Forest, the Presbyterians, Davidson College, the Friends, Guilford College; and these institutions are the centres around which they rally the loyalty of their people.

We urge this claim upon the benevolence of our preachers and people, and earnestly hope that they will respond to the appeal.

In this connection we would also fully endorse the effort being made to establish a strong educational plant at U. S. Grant University, Chattanooga and Athens, Tenn. This school supplies an indispensable need in the central South, filled, by no other institution.

We heartly recommend this school to our young people who are seeking better advantages than can be found in our home field.

Respectfully submitted,

W. Q. A. Graham,	} Com.
U. S. Crowder,	
C. M. Levister.	

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON BIBLE CAUSE.

Your Committee on Bible cause beg leave to ask the adoption of the following:

Resolved, That while a great work is being done by the American Bible Society, yet we fear that as a Conference we have not urged this matter upon our people as often as we might; and we would respectfully call the attention of all the charges to the necessity of pushing this work.

C. M. Levister, Ch'm.

MISSIONARY SOCIETY.

We believe the work of Missions to be the greatest work in which the Methodist Episcopal church, or any other church is engaged in; it being a response to the great Commission "Go ye into all the world and preach the Gospel to every creature."

Work is being done more earnestly and aggressively than ever before in the history of our church, both at home and abroad. We are glad to note an increase in funds this year, notwithstanding the payment of an indebtedness of \$186,000.

Whereas the missionary work is the paramount interest of our beloved church, therefore be it Resolved, that we as people and preachers do more in the future for this great cause, Viz—the evangelization of the world.

T. S. Davis, Cham'n.

TEMPERANCE.

The rum traffic has been indicated by intelligent, conscientious humanity as a crime. Civilization has declared it to be an evil, and evil only. The Methodist Episcopal church has always set its face boldly against this great curse, and has valiantly fought for its extirpation.

While we may differ as to the best means to attain this end, we are agreed that the open saloon must go; therefore be it

Resolved, That it is our duty as ministers to educate the people to the point to demand national prohibition of the liquor traffic.

J. T. HARDESTY.

FREEDMAN'S AID AND SOUTHERN EDUCATION.

Your Committee on Freedman's Aid and Southern Education beg leave to report as follows :

The work and worth of this Society are so well known among us as to need neither exposition or laudation ; but for the past year renewed interest has been manifested in this work. The whole heart of the Church has turned toward this work as never before. The Methodist Episcopal Church, South, through a number of its most prominent and leading officials, has been led to commend our work most highly and to see in what we are doing the only hope for the adjusting of the races and the so-called Southern problem.

The apportionment to our Conference is \$50.00, Let every pastor urge this cause upon his people and do all in his power to meet this amount in full, realizing that an immortal soul may be at stake.

J. T. Hardesty.

SUNDAY SCHOOL UNION AND TRACT SOCIETY.

We are glad indeed to learn that we have 31,000 Sunday schools with 350,000 officers and teachers, and more than 2,600,000 scholars. We recognize the Sunday school to be one of the most important factors in the religious life, therefore being so closely connected with the church, and its future prosperity be it resolved,

That more attention be given to this work.

Whereas the tract society of the Methodist Episcopal church aids in the circulation of religious literature in the form of tracts and leaflets throughout the entire world; circulating at least twelve languages in the United States; and more than twenty in foreign lands; we recommend that the pastors in our conference avail themselves more generally of the liberal offers of the Tract Society.

M. L. Chappell.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON PERIODICALS.

Your committee on Periodicals beg leave to report that along with other interests of the church, our literature is keeping abreast of the times; and we urge upon the pastors to see that a church paper is in our home on their respective charges.

Since our last conference, the Wesleyan Advocate, a semi-monthly paper, the publication of which was begun by our Superintendent, has been changed to a weekly; and the price puts it within the reach of all.

We respectfully recommend that this paper be declared the official organ of the Atlantic Mission Conference, and that we rally to its support, and make it all that it should be.

T. S. Davis, Ch'm.

AUDITING COMMITTEE'S REPORT.

The committee to audit the accounts of Superintendent W. Q. A. Graham, report as follows:

Superintendent Graham received drafts during the year aggregating \$850.00, being the amount of Missionary Appropriation to the Atlantic Mission Conference.

He has made payment to the charges, of the following amounts; the same being in accord with report of committee on distribution of said amount at the last Conference, Viz:

Beaufort \$40. Bethel, \$100. Chowan, \$60. Elizabethtown City, \$180. Morehead City, \$50. Northampton, \$30. Pates, \$60. Rowlands, \$30. Washington, \$100.00. Wildwood \$60. Winfall, \$40. New Bern, \$37.50. Ocracoke, \$12.50 Total \$850.00.

Your committee makes the following recommendation: That the Superintendent be requested to hereafter obtain from every pastor a formal receipt for the quarterly payment when made.

J. F. Dodd. C. M. Levister.

RESOLUTIONS OF THANKS.

Resolved: That we extend our sincere thanks to Bishop C. H. Fowler for his presence and kinds words; and we pray God's richest blessings to attend him wherever he goes.

U. S. Crowder.

Whereas, Rev. J. F. Dodd, D. D., of the Missionary Society at New York, has by his uniform courtesy and brotherly kindness, endeared himself to all our hearts, therefore be it

Resolved, That we extend to him our sincere thanks, and a cordial invitation to visit us whenever he can; assuring him of a hearty welcome.

C. M. Levister.

CERTIFICATE OF ORDINATION.

This certifies that on Sunday, Oct. 8th 1899, Junius T. Hardesty was duly ordained an Elder, by the undersigned; assisted by several Elders.

Done at Elizabeth City, N. C.

Charles H. Fowler.

MISSIONARY APPROPRIATION.

District.....	1.50
Avon.....	40.
Bethlehem.....	40.
Chowan.....	95.
Elizabeth City.....	300.
Fayetteville.....	—
Goldsboro.....	50.
Morehead City.....	70.
New Bern.....	200.
Northampton.....	60.
Ocracoke.....	—.
Pates.....	50.
Parmele.....	—
Rowlands.....	20.
Washington.....	58.
Wildwood.....	40.
Winfall.....	10.

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I concur,

C. H. FOWLER.

Statistics No. 1. Atlantic Misson Conference.

NAMES OF CHARGES.	Church Membership.				Baptisms.			Sunday Schools.			Church Property.					
	Number of Pro- bationers.	No. of Full Members.	No. of Local Preachers.	No. of Deaths.	Number of Children Baptized.	Number of Adults Baptized.	No. of Schools.	No. of Officers and Teachers.	No. of Scholars.	Probable Value	Number of Parsonages.	Probable Value	Paid for b'ld'g Churches and Parsonages.	Paid on old in- debtedness on Church Prop'y.	Present in- debtedness on Church Prop'y.	Church Prop'y.
Averett.....	7	155	1	1	10	42	3	16	115	1	550	1	200	10	.....	.....
Beaufort.....	4	50	.....	1	1	.....	.....	1	10	1	2500	1	500	.....	100	.....
Bethel.....	6	65	.....	1	.....	.....	1	5	70	1	500	.....	.....	400	.....	.....
Bethlehem.....	1	130	2	1	1	1	1	12	70	1	2000	1	500	10	.....	.....
Chowan.....	5	140	1	1	.....	26	2	13	100	2	900	.....	.....	800	257	.....
Elizabeth City.....	9	30	2	.....	.....	.....	1	7	66	1	3000	.....	.....	1217	1202	.....
Fayetteville.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Goldsboro.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Morehead City.....	.....	130	.....	.....	10	2	1	12	125	1	1000	.....	.....	110	40	300
New Bern.....	.....	6	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Northampton.....	1	6	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Ocracoke.....	30	160	2	19	1	1	1	13	250	1	1200	1	800	57	.....	.....
Farmer.....	5	72	1	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Fates.....	27	170	.....	1	10	4	4	18	160	3	500	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Rowlands.....	14	135	3	1	11	.....	.....	2	80	2	600	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Washington.....	.....	14	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	6	17	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Wildwood.....	6	98	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	8	80	4	1100	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Winfall.....	18	115	1	2	6	6	21	300	2	1100	1100
Total.....	133	1448	12	10	60	56	22	141	1403	21	15050	4	2000	3704	40	1949

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NAME OF CHARGE.	NAME OF PASTOR.				Pastor's Support.				Prs'd Elders, Bishops		Total Support		Conf. Claims		Current Expenses.	
					Receipts.				Delictencies.	Amt Paid.	Amount Apportioned	Total Support	Collect'ns	From Other Sources.	Total	
					Salary,	House Ret	Total,	Salary.	House Ret	Total.						
Avon	J. T. Hardesty	145	25	170	80	25	105	65	15	81-2	.....	1131-2	.....	.....	15	12
Beaufort	J. V. Moore	65	.....	65	27 1/2	.....	37 1/2	27 1/2	20	.....	.....	27 1-2	.....	.....	.....	.....
Bethel	C. M. Levisier	150	30	180	134	30	167	13	20	16	.....	179	.....	.....	15	5
Bethlehem	J. A. Sisk	100	.....	100	85	.....	85	15	.....	.....	.....	97	.....	.....	65	9
Chowan	M. L. Chappell .....	.....	.....	.....	176	.....	175	.....	41-2	51-2	.....	81-2	.....	.....	3	5
Elizabeth City	Chas. F. Hunter	100	.....	100	100	.....	100	.....	15	4	.....	100	.....	.....	.....	.....
Morehead City	T. S. Davis .....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Northampton	T. S. White .....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Ocracoke	U. S. Crowder	250	.....	250	250	.....	250	.....	20	20	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Parnoke	Leolan Jackson	150	.....	150	115	.....	115	35	20	20	.....	27	.....	.....	25	20
Pates	J. F. Grey	180	12	192	120	12	132	60	25	25	.....	157	.....	.....	.....	.....
Rowlands	H. H. Lowrey	75	.....	75	58	.....	58	17	25	20	1	79	.....	.....	.....	2
Washington	J. M. Smith .....	.....	.....	.....	80	30	80	.....	.....	3	.....	113	.....	.....	5	21-2
Wildwood	E. J. Midgett .....	.....	.....	.....	22	22	22	.....	10	5	1	28	.....	.....	.....	.....
Winfall	J. B. Bridgers	195	40	235	20	20	255
		1213	67	1282	1153 1/2	137	159 1/2	1322 1/2	104 1/2	164	2	1500	128	55 1-2

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