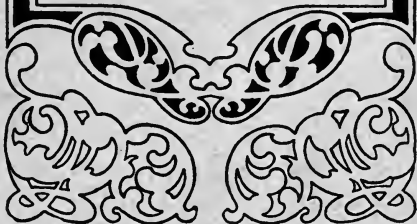


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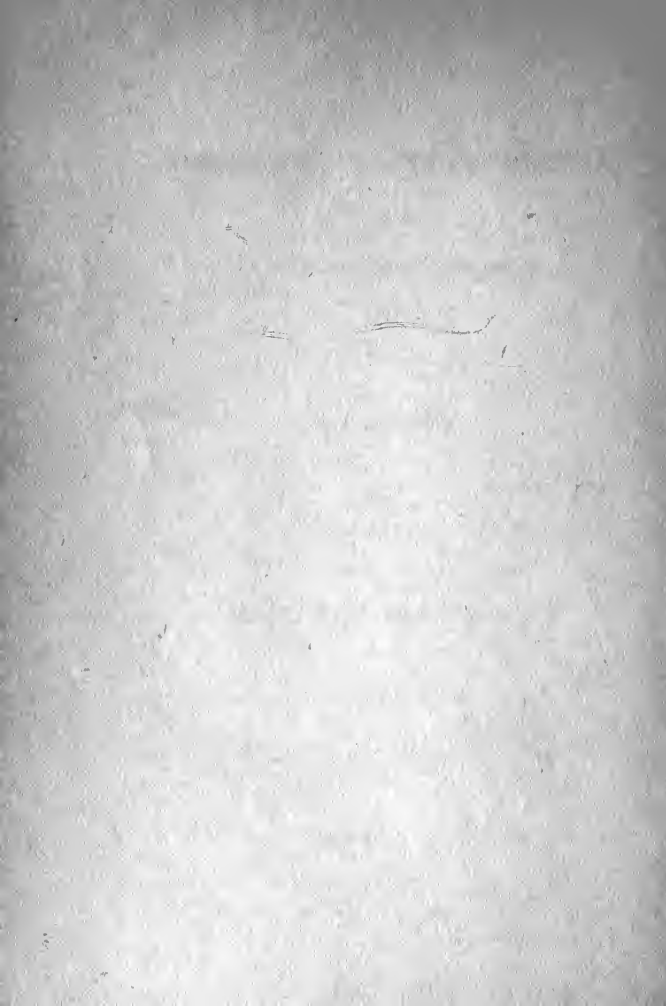
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TO PREACH MISSIONARY SERMON.

W. H. LUTHER, *Alternate*, M. L. CHAPPELL.



Atlantic Mission Conference.

CONFERENCE ROLL.

BAILEY, D. D.....	Probationer	1902
BRIDGERS, J. B.	Elder	1897
BRIDGERS, L. B.....	Probationer	1902
CHAPPELL, M. L.....	Elder	1898
DAVIS, T. S.....	Elder.....	From Blue Ridge
ELDRIDGE, E. O.....	Elder.....	From Baltimore
GARRIS, J. H.....	Deacon	1902
GRAHAM, W. Q. A.....	Elder.....	From Blue Ridge
HUDSON, J. A.....	Deacon	1900
LEVISTER, C. M.....	Elder	1897
LEWIS, J. J.....	Elder	1900
LUTHER, W. H.....	Elder	1899
MIDGETT, E. J.....	Deacon	1902
SISK, J. A.....	Elder.....	From Blue Ridge
USREY, J. F.....	Elder.....	From Blue Ridge
WHITE, U. S.....	Deacon.....	From Blue Ridge

DISCIPLINARY QUESTIONS.

1. Who have been received by transfer, and from what Conferences?—None.
2. Who have been readmitted?—None.
3. Who have been received on credentials, and from what churches?—None.
4. Who have been received on trial?—None.
5. Who have been continued on trial?—(a) In studies of first year?—None. (b) In studies of second year?—Luther B.

Bridgers, Evan J. Midgett, James H. Garriss, John A. Hudson, David D. Bailey.

6. Who have been discontinued?—James M. Norton.

7. Who have been admitted into full membership?—None.

8. What members are in studies of third year?—None.

9. What members are in studies of fourth year?—Ulysis S. White.

10. What members have completed the Conference course of study?—(a) Elected and ordained elders this year, John M. Lewis.

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 carefully attended to as the name of each preacher was called.

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?—James A. Sisk.

23. Who are the Superannuated preachers?—None.

24. Who are the triers of appeals?—W. Q. A. Graham, W. H. Luther, J. F. Usrey, T. S. Davis, C. M. Levister.

25. What is the statistical report for this year?—See statistical tables.

26. What is the aggregate of the benevolent collections or-

dered by the General Conference, as reported by the Conference Treasurer?—\$335.00.

27. What are the claims on the Conference Fund?—None.

28. What has been received on these claims, and how has it been applied?—\$95.00, applied to Relief Fund.

29. Where are the preachers stationed?

APPOINTMENTS, 1904.

(These appointments are in the State of North Carolina unless otherwise indicated.)

W. Q. A. GRAHAM, *Superintendent*, Paradise, N. C.

MOREHEAD CITY DISTRICT.

W. Q. A. GRAHAM, *Presiding Elder*.

CHARGE	POST OFFICE	PASTOR
Alliance	Grantsboro.....	To be supplied
Bladen	Pembroke.....	To be supplied
Harker's Island	Beaufort.....	JOHN J. LEWIS
Marshallberg .....	.....	To be supplied
Morehead City .....	.....	M. L. CHAPPELL
Ocracoke .....	.....	To be supplied
Parmele .....	.....	JOHN A. HUDSON
Rowlands and Pates	Elrod.....	To be supplied
Tarboro .....	.....	To be supplied
Wildwood	Hollywood.....	U. S. WHITE

PORTSMOUTH DISTRICT.

T. S. DAVIS, *Presiding Elder*, Portsmouth, Va.

Avon	Hatteras.....	D. D. BAILEY
Elizabeth City .....	.....	W. H. LUTHER
Lawrenceville, Va. ....	.....	J. H. GARRISS
Norfolk, Va.....	.....	To be supplied
Portsmouth	} Portsmouth, Va.	T. S. DAVIS
Pinners Point		and
Julian Creek		E. O. ELDRIDGE
Wallaceton, Va.....	.....	To be supplied
Whaleyville, Va.....	.....	EVAN J. MIDGETT

CHARGE	POST OFFICE	PASTOR
Winfall	Chapanoke.....	J. F. USREY
President Graham Collegiate Institute	Marshallberg.....	C. M. LEVISTER
	<i>Member Marshallberg Quarterly Conference.</i>	
Conference Evangelist	Lumberton.....	J. B. BRIDGERS
	<i>Member Rowland's Quarterly Conference.</i>	
Left without appointment to attend some one of our schools		L. B. BRIDGERS
	<i>Member Rowland's Quarterly Conference.</i>	

30. Where shall the next Conference be held?—Parmele,
N. C.



Daily Proceedings.

FIRST DAY.

Thursday morning, October 20, 1904.

The Eighth Annual Session of the Atlantic Mission Conference of the Methodist Episcopal Church convened in Bethlehem Church, Marshallberg, N. C., Thursday morning, October, 20, 1904, Bishop James N. FitzGerald, D. D., LL. D., presiding.

The bishop announced hymn number 822, after the singing of which he read for the Scripture lessons a part of the third chapter of Proverbs and the fifth chapter of Second Peter.

Bishop FitzGerald then led the Conference in prayer and administered the Sacrament of the Lord's Supper, assisted by the presiding elders.

The roll being called by the secretary of the last session, the following named responded: W. Q. A. Graham, J. F. Usrey, T. S. Davis, C. M. Levister, J. B. Bridgers, W. H. Luther, U. S. White, E. O. Eldridge.

The roll of probationers was then called, and the following were found present: James H. Garriss, David D. Bailey, John A. Hudson, Evan J. Midgett.

On motion of W. H. Luther, C. M. Levister was elected secretary, and T. S. Davis, assistant.

On motion of Dr. Graham, John A. Hudson was elected Statistical Secretary and Evan J. Midgett assistant.

On motion, W. H. Luther was elected Conference Treasurer, and U. S. White, assistant.

Rev. E. M. Taylor, D. D., Field Secretary of the Missionary

Society, was introduced by the Bishop, and made a stirring address to the Conference on the subject of Missions.

A draft on the Book Concern for \$85.00, our share of the dividends, was, on motion, ordered drawn and turned over to the Conference treasurer.

C. M. Levister was, on motion of Dr. Graham, appointed to look after the Book Concern accounts.

Question 13. "Was the character of each preacher examined?" was called. W. Q. A. Graham, Presiding Elder of the Morehead City District, made report of the work under his care.

The list of effective elders was then called, and the following reported their work: J. F. Usrey, W. H. Luther, J. B. Bridgers.

E. Olin Eldridge, Presiding Elder of the Portsmouth District, made report of his work, and on the call of Effective Elders T. S. Davis and C. M. Levister, made report.

On motion of Dr. Graham the hour of meeting was fixed at 9:15 a. m., the first half hour for devotional service, and adjourn on motion.

The following standing committees were appointed:

Public Worship: W. A. Graham, J. F. Usrey.

Southern Educational Society: C. M. Levister, D. D. Bailey, E. J. Midgett.

Church Extension: T. S. Davis, C. M. Levister.

Sunday School Union and Tracts: J. B. Bridgers, J. A. Hudson.

Auditing Committee: T. S. Davis, J. F. Usrey.

Conference Stewards: W. H. Luther, D. D. Bailey.

Periodicals and Publishing Interests: J. J. Lewis, J. H. Garriss, E. J. Midgett.

Temperance: J. A. Hudson, J. B. Bridgers.

Education: T. S. Davis, J. B. Bridgers, E. J. Midgett.

A statistical session was ordered for this afternoon at 3 o'clock.

Notices were read and the Conference adjourned.

The Doxology was sung and Bishop FitzGerald pronounced the Benediction.

FIRST DAY.—AFTERNOON SESSION.

Thursday, October 20, 1904.

The Conference was called to order at 3 p. m., by the superintendent.

Hymn 427 was sung.

Prayer was offered by T. S. Davis, after which Hymn 438 was sung.

Bishop FitzGerald took the chair.

The roll was called, and as this was done each preacher handed his report to the Statistical Secretary, and his monies to the Treasurer.

On motion, Conference adjourned.

The Doxology was sung, and the Bishop pronounced the Benediction.

SECOND DAY.

Friday, October 21, 1904.

Conference convened at 9:15 a. m., and after devotional services, was called to order for business by Bishop FitzGerald.

Minutes of Thursday morning's session were read and approved.

Minutes of Thursday afternoon's session were read and approved.

Question 5, "Who are continued on trial?" was called. E. J. Midgett made report of his work, the Examining Committee made report as to his examination. He was represented

by the Presiding Elder, and, on his motion, was advanced to the studies of the Second Year.

James H. Garriss, John A. Hudson and David D. Bailey severally reported their work; the Examining Committee made report as to their examination. They were represented by their Presiding Elders, and, on motion in each case, they were continued in the studies of the Second Year, credit being given each one for the work done.

Luther B. Bridgers was called, and he, being absent, was represented by the superintendent, and, on his motion, was continued in the studies of the Second Year.

Question 9, "What Members are in the Studies of the Fourth Year?" was taken up. Ulysis S. White made report of his work, the Examining Committee made report; he was represented by the superintendent, and, on his motion, was advanced to the studies of the Fourth Year.

Question 10, "Who Have Completed the Conference Course of Study?" was called. J. J. Lewis reported his work. He was represented by the Presiding Elder, and, on his motion, was elected to Elder's Orders, he having passed his examination in the studies of the Fourth Year at the last session of the Conference.

Rev. John H. Howard, D. D., pastor of Summerfield Church, Greater New York, was introduced to the Conference.

Notices were read and Conference adjourned.

The Doxology was sung, and Bishop FitzGerald pronounced the Benediction.

THIRD DAY.—MORNING SESSION.

Saturday, October 22, 1904.

Conference met at 9:15 and after devotional services conducted by W. H. Luther was called to order for business by the Bishop.

The minutes of Second Day's session were read and approved.

The Standing Committees made report, and, on motion in each case, the reports were adopted.

On motion of Dr. Graham, the Relief Fund Trustees were instructed to continue negotiations with the Blue Ridge Conference for a settlement of our share of the Relief Fund of that Conference.

Question 30, "Where Shall the Next Conference be Held?" was taken up. On motion, the invitation from Parmele was accepted.

On motion, it was ordered that when we adjourn it be to meet at eight o'clock this evening.

On motion of C. M. Levister, the following named were elected trustees of the Graham Collegiate Institute: William A. Way, Benjamin T. Willis, Elijah P. Lewis, Stephen Davis, Leonard W. Nelson, S. C. Whitehurst, Joseph H. Baines, Jennings P. Davis, Francis H. Munroe, John F. Dodd, D. D., John H. Howard, D. D., W. Q. A. Graham, D. D., Thos. S. Davis, Charles M. Levister, E. Olin Eldridge, W. H. Luther, David D. Bailey, John A. Hudson, Moody L. Chappell.

The president of the Graham Collegiate Institute addressed the Conference, making a strong appeal for the school. He was followed by Dr. Graham and Bishop FitzGerald, both of whom urged upon the pastors the necessity for a more loyal and earnest support of the school and a stronger presentation of its claims to the people.

On motion of E. O. Eldridge, resolutions complimentary to and approving the work of the president were adopted.

At this time the Bishop made some very appropriate and practical remarks upon the duty of pastors, especially as to the proper keeping of church records and looking after church members.

On motion, Conference adjourned.

After the Doxology had been sung, the Benediction was pronounced by the Bishop.

THIRD DAY.—EVENING SESSION.

Conference was called to order at 8 p. m., by Bishop FitzGerald.

Minutes of the morning session were read and approved.

Question 22, "Who are the Supernumerary Preachers?" was called. On motion of W. Q. A. Graham James A. Sisk, who had been restored to the Effective List at last Conference, was made Supernumerary.

On motion of the superintendent, it was ordered that the Bishop be requested to appoint a Conference Evangelist.

On motion of W. Q. A. Graham, the Bishop was requested to appoint J. B. Bridgers Conference Evangelist.

On motion of C. M. Levister, the superintendent was authorized to appropriate so much of the one hundred and fifty dollars received from the sale of the church at Jerusalem, N. C., as might be needed, to the payment of the debt on Mount Hermon Church, and apply the residue to the debt on the church at Elizabeth City, due the Board of Church Extension.

A vote of thanks to the good people of Marshallberg and vicinity for the splendid entertainment of the Conference was adopted.

On motion of W. Q. A. Graham, a resolution appreciative of the presence of Bishop FitzGerald was adopted by a rising vote.

On motion of C. M. Levister, the Examining Committee was ordered to issue a certificate of examination in the Studies for Admission on Trial to William J. Plint, and deliver the same to Bishop FitzGerald.

The apportionment of the appropriation from the Missionary Society was read and approved by the Bishop.

On motion of C. M. Levister, the brethren were assessed two dollars each to pay for the publication of the minutes.

Reports of the Treasurer and Statistical Secretary were presented.

On motion it was ordered that after the appointments are

read tonight, and all the Sunday services are concluded, and the certificate of ordination has been presented, the Conference stand adjourned without date.

After appropriate and impressive remarks by the Bishop, he read the appointments.

The minutes of the evening session were read and approved.

Notices were given, and Conference adjourned.

The Doxology was sung, the Conference and congregation standing, and the Benediction was pronounced by the Bishop.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON SOUTHERN EDUCATIONAL SOCIETY.

Your committee beg leave to report that the reports of this Society for the past year disclose a prosperous condition of the schools under its care.

As the General Committee has placed the entire burden of the work on the two Corresponding Secretaries, withdrawing from the field all special agents in the interest of this work, we have strong claims on the pastors in urging them to raise their full apportionment.

The mission of this Society is to every seventh man, woman and child in this Republic—the nine millions destitute black people, and the three millions of needy white people of the South. This relates our work not only to the progress of the Church but to the very life of the Republic. The demand for Christian teachers and workers, trained in these schools, was never so imperative as now.

The large decrease in administrative and fixed expenses, and the corresponding increase in the amounts appropriated for the schools, commends this work to the generous support of the Church. There was given to the schools in cash appropriations from the General Fund during the past quadren-

nium \$110,658 more than was appropriated for this purpose during the previous quadrennium.

The receipts from incidentals and room rent paid by the students have advanced from \$58,079.28 in 1900 to \$87,478.92 last year.

The schools of the Society are centres of religious power—700 conversions last year.

There were also 3,520 students given instruction in 26 industries. We put the past quadrennium, \$35,400 from the General Fund into industrial education. For industrial buildings and equipment, \$39,095 in addition has been raised.

The apportionment to the Conference for the ensuing year is \$100.00; and your committee urges upon the pastors that they make a united and earnest effort to raise this amount.

C. M. LEVISTER, *Chairman.*

TEMPERANCE.

We, your committee, beg leave to say that we rejoice in the progress that has been made by the "Anti-Saloon League" in securing prohibition in many places in our own State and in other parts of the country.

We recognize the saloon as the most potent evil, and strong drink as the worst enemy with which the Church has to deal, and also as a mighty clog to the advancement of civilization. Therefore, be it,

Resolved, That as a Church, we stand shoulder to shoulder with the Anti-Saloon League in trying to rid our country of the monster, and that we oppose the use of spirituous liquors in moderation as well as in excess.

Resolved, further, That it is the duty of all our preachers to preach on the subject to each congregation at least once a year.

Respectfully submitted by your committee in the name of the Son of God.

J. A. HUDSON.
J. B. BRIDGERS.

EDUCATION.

Brothers of the Atlantic Mission Conference:

Your committee, to whom has fallen the privilege of rendering the report on Education, rejoice in their happy lot.

As bread is said to be the "staff of life" so Education is the "main-stay of the mental and spiritual life" of man. The Methodist Episcopal Church, our beloved, has, from its incipency, been illustrious in this branch of the work, and our Conference needs a greater activity to continue in pulse with the Church as a whole. A most fertile field for this is found in our Conference School, the Graham Collegiate Institute.

Your committee has thoroughly examined the Institute and we find it prosperous. Its courses are the equal of any school of its grade. It prepares for college, pedagogy, and for business. Its faculty is of the best. Its crying need is an endowment fund by which teachers of the highest type may be kept in its faculty, and that its equipment may be increased as the need arises. Brothers, this is our school, and each of us bears a direct responsibility, not to ourselves, not to the Conference, alone, but to God himself, who hath called us to the work. May not your committee at this time ask that your efforts in this direction, at least for the coming year, be sincere and more earnest. May we not expect as the minimum the requirements of the Discipline fully carried forth?

After graduating from our seminary we advise our pupils to attend some of our Church colleges or universities, such as Grant, at Chattanooga, Tenn., or Dickinson, at Carlyle, Pa. After graduating from college we would beg those prepar-

ing for the ministry to attend Drew Theological Seminary, for he that is to feed Christ's flock must be prepared.

We most heartily commend the excellent work for higher Christian education which is being accomplished for the Church through the Board of Education. We especially approve of the emphasis laid upon educational excellence and genuine spirituality as the true ideal for our schools. We note with satisfaction the report of special gifts to the Board of Education, and unreservedly commend it to the benevolence of our people, particularly those who are able to make large gifts.

We urge that Children's Day be observed and a collection taken in every charge according to the Discipline. It is not "flag Sunday" nor "flower Sunday" nor any festival of the sort. It is the day when the doors of the Christian college should be made wide open for the Christian youth. Let it be so observed.

During the past year the Board aided students who gave their home residence or Church relationship as within the bounds of our Conference to the number of 7 and to the amount of \$253.75. The contributions of our Conference received by the Board for the year were \$3.40. Our Minutes show a large number of charges not contributing to this fund.

We commend the officers of the Board for their energy in collecting loans, and we urge all beneficiaries within our own Conference to make as prompt payment as possible. We commend The Christian Student to all our people.

We call upon our people to give liberally of their wealth that our institutions shall everywhere be equal to the best. We call upon our institutions everywhere to fulfill their high and important ministry in behalf of the Church. We call upon our preachers to redouble their activity in a united effort to send the young people of our Church to our own institutions of learning. We call upon parents to consecrate their children to Christ and his service and to give them the best education as a preparation for that service. And we call upon

our young men and women to give themselves fully to Christ for salvation and service, and to seek in a Christian college the highest training for the greatest usefulness. Our Church needs a thousand new men each year for the ministry alone. The Head of the Church is calling for the best. There is no finer opportunity in all the world for a career of usefulness than the ministry of our Church affords.

In closing our report we would ask that each day we remember in prayer our schools and colleges, especially our beloved school the Graham Collegiate Institute.

Respectfully submitted,

T. S. DAVIS, *Chairman.*



SUPERINTENDENT'S FINANCIAL REPORT.

I have received from the Missionary Society \$1,400, which I have disbursed as follows:

To Morehead City District.....	\$ 400.00
“ J. J. Lewis	10.00
“ J. B. Bridgers	50.00
“ W. C. Bains	50.00
“ W. H. Luther	60.00
“ W. R. Woodle	40.00
“ U. S. White	60.00
“ J. A. Hudson	40.00
“ D. D. Bailey	50.00
“ T. S. Davis	170.00
“ E. J. Midgett	60.00
“ E. O. Eldridge	300.00
“ M. L. Chappell	60.00
“ J. H. Garriss	50.00
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	Total \$1,400.00

Respectfully,

W. Q. A. GRAHAM.

We, the auditing committee, have examined the above accounts and find them correct.

T. S. DAVIS.

J. F. USREY.

SUNDAY SCHOOL UNION AND TRACT SOCIETY.

We are deeply impressed with the magnitude and importance of the interests represented by the Sunday School Union. As its report shows it is both a Home and Foreign Missionary Society, making grants to strengthen the work of our missionaries in all foreign lands, and for the development of churches in new communities in the South and in the West. It is also the forerunner of the Church Extension Society, sowing the seeds and forming the first nuclei of organizations which create a demand for church buildings.

We would urge in the strongest terms that the Sunday School literature published by our Book Concern be used in all of our Sunday Schools. We regard it as little less than Church disloyalty that any of our schools should permit our own Sunday School supplies to be displaced by those of any other publisher. There are no better publications than ours, and they are furnished, we believe, as cheaply as first-class literature can be supplied. We urge that pastors use their utmost influence when necessary to keep our literature in the schools, and that the presiding elders call particular attention to the enactment of the last General Conference, requiring the question to be asked at the Quarterly Conferences, "Are the Sunday Schools supplied with the publications authorized by our Church?"

We heartily approve of the provision that a separate collection be taken in the Sunday School and in the congregation for the Sunday School Union, and that separate columns be provided in the statistical tables for the reports of these collections. And we call the attention of our pastors to the fact that by action of the last General Conference they are charged with the responsibility of seeing that both of these collections are taken. We learn with concern that unless the income of the Sunday School Union is largely increased, it will be com-

pelled to abandon much of the important work now being done by its Field Agents, and retrench in the grants which it has been making to home and foreign fields. Instead of the necessity for such contraction and retrenchment being permitted, the income of the Union should be so increased as to make possible a large extension of its helpful work.

J. B. BRIDGERS.

J. A. HUDSON.

CHURCH EXTENSION.

Among the various benevolent enterprises of our Church none stands out more prominently nor demands a more hearty support from us than that of the Board of Church Extension.

We note with pleasure the splendid work which has been accomplished by this Society during the past quadriennium; large increases are shown along all lines. Your especial attention is called to the fact that 2,225 churches have been aided during the last four years, and that our own Conference has had a large proportional share in this beneficence.

We are glad to note that our own Conference, if conditions are met, will have a credit of \$1,847 for use in building new churches in our bounds during the coming year.

The work of the Society is one that demands our highest commendation and constant energetic support. We urge upon our pastors the importance of presenting this work to their people early in the Conference year, and to keep at it until the apportionment is raised. We recommend that you send to the Board for literature, which they will gladly furnish, and distribute the same among our people.

Especially instructive are the handsome maps issued by the Society, showing the number and localities of churches aided. These maps will be sent free of all expense, upon request, to

S. S., E. L., and other church organizations, and we urge upon our pastors to secure them that they may be a constant reminder of the work this Society is doing.

T. S. DAVIS, C. M. LEVISTER,
Committee.

COMMITTEE ON PERIODICALS.

We, your committee on Periodicals, urge the preachers of the Atlantic Mission Conference to circulate the literature of the Methodist Episcopal Church, and to put forth every effort in the distribution of our Church papers. Especially do we urge the placing of the *Wesleyan Advocate* in every home, that our people may be informed as to our local Church work, and that the rising generation may be intelligent and loyal members of the Methodist Episcopal Church.

J. J. LEWIS.
J. H. GARRISS.
E. J. MIDGETT.



ATLANTIC MISSION CONFERENCE MISSIONARY
APPROPRIATION.

Morehead City District	\$400.00	
Bladen	75.00	
Harker's Island	90.00	
Morehead City	60.00	
Parmele	40.00	
Rowlands & Pates	40.00	
Wildwood	60.00	
		<u>765.00</u>
Portsmouth District	\$500.00	
Avon	50.00	
Elizabeth City	170.00	
Lawrenceville	95.00	
Portsmouth, Pinner's Point and Julian Creek	300.00	
Whaleyville	60.00	
Winfall	60.00	
		<u>1,235.00</u>
		\$2,000.00

I concur in the foregoing appropriations.

J. N. FITZGERALD.

October 22, 1904.

RESOLUTION OF THANKS.

Whereas, In the providence of God, it has been our great good fortune to again have that splendid presiding officer, Bishop James N. FitzGerald, and

Whereas, he has been most helpful, uplifting and inspiring by his fatherly counsel, masterly preaching and godly example, therefore be it

Resolved, That we rejoice on account of his presence in our midst, and earnestly pray that many years of usefulness be vouchsafed unto him and that the Board of Bishops assign him to this field next year.

W. Q. A. GRAHAM,

CERTIFICATE OF ORDINATION.

This certifies that on Sunday, October 23, 1904, on an election by the Atlantic Mission Conference, the undersigned, assisted by several elders, duly ordained John J. Lewis an elder in the Methodist Episcopal Church.

JAMES N. FITZGERALD.

Done at Marshallberg, N. C.

STATISTICS NO. 1. ATLANTIC MISSION CONFERENCE, FOR 1904.

PORTSMOUTH DISTRICT	CHURCH MEMBERSHIP										BAPTISMS					SUN. SCHOOLS					CHURCH PROPERTY				
	Number of Probations	No. of Full Members	No. of Local Preachers	Number of Deaths	No. of Children Baptized	No. of Adults Baptized	Number of Schools	No. of Officers and Teachers	Number of Scholars	Number of Churches	Probable Value	Number of Parsonages	Probable Value	Paid for Building Churches and Parsonages	Paid on old indebtedness on Church Property	Present Indebtedness on Church Property									
Avon	1	79	1	4	8	.....	2	20	97	3	1200	.....	10	.....	.....								
Elizabeth City	6	95	.....	2	8	5	1	9	60	1	3570	.....	145	305	479								
Lawrenceville, Va	2	17	.....	.....	.....	.....	1	4	30	2	475	.....	175	3	18					
Norfolk, Va .....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Portsmouth and Pinners Point	18	61	1	.....	9	.....	2	13	95	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....				
Wallaceton .....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Whaleyville	5	87	2	.....	.....	.....	1	5	30	2	1000	.....	.....	.....	.....						
Wintfall	22	180	3	.....	7	5	2	10	60	4	1950	.....	25	.....	.....								
Total.....	54	519	7	6	32	10	9	61	372	12	8795	.....	355	308	497									
MOREHEAD CITY DISTRICT																									
Alliance .....	.....	3	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Bladen	1	41	.....	.....	.....	.....	1	5	15	1	100	.....	.....	.....	.....						
Harkers Island .....	.....	35	.....	1	2	.....	1	4	30	1	500	.....	.....	.....	.....						
Marshallberg	1	139	.....	3	.....	.....	3	14	150	1	5000	.....	230	10	.....									
Morehead City	4	94	.....	.....	.....	.....	2	18	19	1	2000	.....	140	224	.....									
Ocracoke	7	58	.....	1	8	.....	1	12	110	1	1000	.....	.....	.....	.....						
Parnelle	47	121	.....	1	.....	39	1	6	48	2	1500	.....	200	15	.....									
Pates .....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Tarboro .....	.....	55	.....	1	.....	.....	2	3	50	1	400	.....	300	.....	50				
Rowland	1	69	1	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Wildwood	3	72	.....	1	10	2	1	4	60	3	1200	.....	550	.....	50							
Total.....	64	687	7	8	23	44	14	74	512	13	13450	.....	1420	249	100									
Total Portsmouth District..	54	519	7	6	32	10	9	61	372	12	8795	.....	355	308	497									
Grand Total.....	118	1206	8	14	55	54	23	135	884	25	22245	.....	1775	557	997									
Last Year.....	133	1306	10	16	34	50	20	122	851	25	16120	.....	1300	711	137									

STATISTICS NO. 3. ATLANTIC MISSION CONFERENCE, FOR 1904.

PORTSMOUTH DISTRICT		PASTOR'S SUPPORT										Support of Pres. Elders		Support of Bishops		Total Support: Pastors, Presiding Elders, and Bishops		CONFERENCE CLAIMANTS			Church: Sexton, Light Fuel, etc.		CURRENT EXPENSES	
		CLAIMS		RECEIPTS						RECEIVED FROM														
		Salary	House Rent	Total	Salary	Donations	House Rent	Total	Deficiencies	Amount Apportioned	Amount Paid							Colle-tions	Other Sources	Total				
Avon	D. D. Baily	140	13	153	107	60	13	180	32	11	101	2	191	2	29	15	10	5	10					
Elizabeth City	T. S. Davis	300	96	396	300	75	96	471	471	20	485	1	485	1	29	15	10	5	10					
Lawrenceville, Va.	E. J. Midgett	.....	.....	.....	40	10	.....	50	.....	6	56	1	56	1	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Norfolk, Va.	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Portsmouth, Pimms Pt	E. O. Eldridge	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Wallaceon	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Whaleyville	M. L. Chappell	200	22	222	151	75	22	248	49	20	263	1	263	1	175	25	10	5	10					
Winfall	J. H. Garriss	640	131	771	653	220	131	1004	81	44	1052	5	1052	5	209	50	50	50	50					
Total		.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
MOREHEAD CITY DISTRICT																								
Alliance	J. J. Lewis	7	.....	7	7	85	.....	92	.....	4	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Bladen	Supplied	48	.....	48	48	.....	.....	48	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Harkers Island	Geo. F. Severs	75	60	310	204	65	60	329	25	16	66	.....	66	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Marshalberg	J. F. Usrey	250	24	324	325	25	24	374	.....	12	349	.....	349	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Morehead City	W. H. Luther	300	24	324	325	25	24	374	.....	12	387	.....	387	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Ocracoke	Supplied	200	48	248	180	.....	48	228	20	25	236	.....	236	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Parmele	J. A. Hudson	400	.....	400	200	221	.....	221	.....	30	241	.....	241	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Pates	W. R. Woodell	25	.....	25	13	.....	.....	13	.....	7	21	.....	21	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Tarboro	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Rowland	Supplied	95	.....	95	95	.....	.....	95	.....	.....	.....	.....	95	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Wildwood	U. S. White	100	.....	100	76	.....	.....	76	24	4	80	.....	80	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Total	Total Portsmouth District	1300	132	1432	1219	170	132	1526	115	114	1619	2	1619	2	33	43	43	43	43	43				
Total	Total	640	131	771	653	220	131	1004	81	44	1052	5	1052	5	209	50	50	50	50	50				
Grand Total	Grand Total	1940	263	2203	1872	390	263	2530	196	154	2671	6	2671	6	511	242	242	242	242	242				
Last Year	Last Year	1625	288	1913	2365	315	288	3244	121	158	3400	2	3400	2	170	93	93	93	93	93				



