JOURNAL AND MINUTES
OF THE
Seventh Session
OF THE
West Texas Annual Conference,
OF THE
Methodist Episcopal Church,
HELD AT
Victoria, Texas, December 3d, 1879.

ORGANIZATION.

Bishop S. M. MERRILL.......................... President.
B. F. SMITH, P. M. CARMICHAEL........... Secretaries
H. SWAN, J. W. ROBINSON................. Statistical Sec's.
M. HENSON, A. R. NORRIS............ Treasurers.

TERRELL, TEXAS.
Temperance Vedette Book and Job Office.
1880.
The Seventh Session of the West Texas Annual Conference, convened at Victoria, Texas, December 3d, 1879, Bishop S. M. Merrill in the chair.

Conference was opened by the Bishop, who read a portion of the 11th chapter of Isaiah and the 10th of 1st Corinthians, and led in prayer.

The roll was called by the Sec'y of last year, and 45 responded to their names. B. F. Smith was elected Secretary and P. M. Carmicle, Assistant Secretary. H. Swan was chosen statistical secretary, and J. W. Robinson, assistant.

On motion the presiding elders were appointed a committee on nominations.

The following committees were elected:

1. On Public Worship—Presiding elders and preacher in charge at Victoria.

Rev. J. C. Hartzell, D. D., and Rev. J. M. Walden, D. D., were introduced to the Conference.

On motion, Doctor Hartzell was requested to collect the accounts of the New York Book Concern.

It was announced that $50 was apportioned to this conference to defray the expenses of delegates to the General Conference. The presiding elders were requested to apportion that amount to their different districts to be collected.

A draft of thirty dollars was ordered on the chartered fund.
A communication from the book committee was read and ordered placed on file.
A paper on Sunday Schools, read and referred to committee on Sunday Schools.
Question 10 was taken up.
S. Gates, Presiding Elder of Austin district, was called, his character passed, and he reported his district. The names of D. Gregory, M. Henson, I. Smith, J. W. Robinson and C. Young were called, and their characters passed.
The name of C. L. Madison, Presiding Elder of Dallas district, was called, his character passed, and he reported his district. The character of A. M. Gregory, A. Taylor, G. Wilson and A. Lockhart passed.
Aaron Neely was called, his character passed and he was granted a superannuated relation.
Conference adjourned with doxology, and benediction by Dr. Walden.

SECOND DAY.

DECEMBER 4TH, 1879.

Conference met at 9 a. m. Bishop Merrill in the chair.
Rev. M. Harrison, of the Baptist church in Victoria, was introduced to the conference.
The name of G. W. Richardson, Presiding Elder of San Antonio district, was called, his character passed, and he reported his district.
A. R. Norris, W. O. Sheely, T. August, L. Morris, A. Black, J. Henderson and C. Mays, were called and their character passed.
When the name of J. Wright was called, his character was passed and he was reported sick—probably nigh unto death—and especial prayer was requested in his behalf.
When the name of L. Carper, Presiding Elder of Columbus district was called, he was reported absent on account of severe family affliction. He had just buried two of his children, and his wife was very sick; G. W. Richardson represented his district.
P. Johnson, D. Harper, J. Oakman, A. Campbell and S. Morgan were called, and character passed.
Question 3d was taken up—Who remain on trial? Thomas Wadkins, P. M. Carmicle and Jack Caesar had not been before the examining committee, and were allowed further time to pass their examinations. W. Simon, John Prince and R. Kidd were discontinued; E. Henderson was continued on trial.
Question 6th was taken up—Who are the deacons of the second class? J. Johnson, E. Nesbit, R. P. Brown, I. Clayton, W. Medlock, character passed, and they were continued deacons of the first class. W. Goodwin, S. Smith, character passed, and they were advanced to the second class. W. Medlock was granted a superannuated relation. W. H. Mosely, E. E. Cooper and D. Mucker, character passed and they were advanced to the second class.
Question 7th was taken up—Who have been elected and ordained elders?—E. Cogswell, P. Gates, B. F. Smith, C. Scruggs and G. W. Townsend, character passed and they were elected to Elder’s orders; W. Graves and R. Deux character passed and continued deacons of the second class.
Question 8th was taken up—Who are the supernumerary preachers? L. D. Greenwood and I. Clayton, character passed and they were continued in the supernumerary relation. R. Deux was made effective.

On motion it was resolved that the names of the local preachers should be published in the minutes.

Dr. Walden gave the conference a short address on the qualifications of a Christian minister. The thanks of the conference were tendered to Dr. Walden for his visit and good counsel.

Conference adjourned to meet at 7 p.m.

EVENING SESSION.

Bishop Merrill in the chair. Minutes of the morning session read, and after some corrections, approved.

G. W. Richardson, S. Gates, C. L. Madison, A. M. Gregory and B. F. Smith were appointed a committee to revise the conference roll.

M. C. Cain, of the Presbyterian church, was introduced to the conference.

G. Nonna'ni was called, character passed, admitted into full connection and elected to Deacon's orders.

W. J. Mitchell, character passed and admitted into full connection.

The class for admission into full connection was called before the Bishop, and answered the disciplinary questions. They were then addressed by the Bishop on the sacredness of the work of the minister, the importance of a correct life and a correct faith.

Conference adjourned with doxology and benediction.

THIRD DAY.

December 5th, 1879.

Conference met at the usual hour, Bishop Merrill in the chair.

Question 4th was taken up—Who are admitted into full connection? J. Jarman, D. Humphries, C. Hart, V. B. Banks, W. H. Davis, character passed and admitted to full connection.

C. Chase and T. Wadkins, character passed, admitted into full connection and elected to Deacon's orders.

G. Sawyer, C. C. Robinson, Samuel Gibbs and P. Wilson, character passed and continued on trial. J. A. H. Dozier was discontinued.

The case of J. Hall was laid over.

Question 9th was taken up—Who are the superannuated preachers? A. J. Burrus, H. Melton, N. Caswell, P. Scruggs, C. King, J. Johnson and A. Johnson, character passed and continued in the same relation.

The case of G. W. Smith was called, character passed, and he elected to Elder's orders.
On motion G. W. Smith, G. Wilson, M. Henson, J. W. Robinson and Isaac Smith were appointed an investigating committee in the case of H. Swan, H. Christmas and James Harrold.

Question 20th was taken up—Where shall the next conference be held?—Waco, Austin and LaGrange were nominated, and Austin was selected by unanimous vote.

Conference adjourned with doxology and benediction.

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FOURTH DAY.

December 6th, 1879.

Conference met at 9 a.m. Bishop Merrill in the chair.

Minutes read and approved.

Question 3d resumed.

The character of P. M. Carmicle was passed, and he was continued on trial.

Question 4th resumed. The character of James Hall was passed, and he was admitted into full connection.

The committee in the case of J. Harrold reported as follows:

DEAR BRETHREN: We, your committee in the case of J. Harrold, have investigated the case, and find no just ground for complaint against him.

G. W. SMITH, Chairman.

The character of J. Harrold was passed and he was admitted into full connection.

J. Caesar was admitted into full connection, and elected to Deacon's orders.

The conference reconsidered the vote in the case of S. Gibbs, by which he was continued on trial. He was admitted into full connection and elected to Deacon's orders.

Question 1st was taken up—Have any entered this conference by transfer or readmission? Morton Lott, B. F. Williams and M. Anderson were readmitted.

On motion the conference proceeded to the election (by ballot) of two delegates to the General Conference, to meet in Cincinnati, Ohio, May 1st, 1880, it being made necessary to a choice that the candidates should receive a majority of all the votes cast. J. Henderson, A. M. Gregory, G. W. Smith and A. R. Norris, were appointed tellers.

On the first ballot 54 ballots were cast, and Samuel Gates and C. L. Madison having received a majority of all the votes cast, were declared duly elected delegates to the next General Conference.

On motion the conference proceeded to elect two reserve delegates, it being ordered that the two receiving the highest and next highest number of votes should be elected. On the first ballot G W Richardson and M Henson were found to have the highest and next highest votes cast for any one person, and were declared duly elected reserved delegates to the next General Conference.

Rev. Mr. Johnson of the Presbyterian church, was introduced to the conference.

Question 7th was resumed. The committee in the case of H. Swan reported.

We, the committee, find the Rev. H. Swan a pure man, not guilty of any act unbecoming a Christian gentleman and a minister of the gospel.

G. W. SMITH, Cha'n.

The character of H. Swan passed and he was elected to Elder's orders.

The report of the committee in the case of H. Christmas was as follows:

We have investigated the slanderous reports against brother Christmas, and find that they are not sustained by the evidence that came before us.

G. W. SMITH, Cha'n.
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C. Shanks, character passed and he was elected to Elder's orders.
J. R. Carnes was granted a location.
The Presiding Elders were appointed a committee to nominate the Triers of Appeals.
Conference adjourned to meet at 3 p. m.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

Conference met at 3 p. m. Bishop Merrill in the chair.
Report of the auditing committee (see report A) was read and adopted.
Report of committee on periodicals (see report B) was presented and adopted.
Report of committee on Bible cause (report C) read and adopted.
Report of committee on freedman's aid (report D) read and adopted.
Report of committee on church extension (report E) read and adopted.
Report of committee on Sunday Schools (report F) read and adopted.
Question 21st was taken up—Have any local preachers been ordained? P. M. Carmicle and E. Henderson were elected to Deacon's orders.
Morton Lott and Seaborn Smith having been traveling deacons two years, were elected to Elder's orders.
Pleas. Anderson was admitted to this conference as an Elder, from the Baptist church, after having taken our ordination vows.
Brother Batties Lott, the newly elected lay delegate to the General Conference, was introduced to the conference.
Conference adjourned with the doxology and benediction.

FIFTH DAY.

December 8th, 1879.

Conference met pursuant to adjournment. Bishop Merrill in the chair.
Minutes of previous session read and approved.
Committee on temperance presented their report (report G) which was adopted.
Report of committee on education (report H) was read and adopted.
Committee to nominate Triers of Appeals presented their report, which was adopted, to-wit: D Gregory, J. W. Robinson, P. Johnson, T. August, Isaac Smith, B. F. Smith and U. Young.
The committee to nominate the Board of Church Extension presented the following report, which was adopted: S Gates, President; G. W. Richardson, Vice President; O L Madison, Cor. Sec'y; R Dukes, Rec. Sec'y; additional members: Isaac Smith, B. Lott, J Alexander, George Bantom and R. Brown.
Report of committee on boundary line (report K) was read and adopted.
M. Henson and A. R. Norris were appointed a committee to wait on L. Carper, and if necessary, help to arrange his finances with his preachers on Columbus district, as he was not present at the conference to have his accounts audited.
The report of the statistical secretary was presented, and referred back for completion, preparatory to being published in the minutes.

Report of conference stewards was read and adopted.

Resolutions of thanks were read and adopted by a rising vote.

On motion, the presiding Elders were authorized to collect one dollar from each of the preachers to pay for publishing the minutes.

A. Brack and C. Scruggs were granted a supernumerary relation.

The minutes were read and approved.

The Bishop made some very appropriate remarks with regard to the difficulties in this field of labor, and the devotion and earnestness with which the ministers must undertake their work, in order to insure success, and then read the appointments.

Conference adjourned, sine die.

The Bishop pronounced the benediction.

S. M. Merrill, President.

B. F. Smith, Secretary.

P. M. Carmicle, Assistant Secretary.

Appointments and Missionary Appropriation.

SAN ANTONIO DISTRICT.

M. Henson, P. E., Post Office, Austin, Texas, $450.

San Antonio, Primus Gates, $10 Cuero & Mission Valley, D. Harper, 20

Pleasanton, to be sup. by J. T. Jacobs, Victoria, A. R. Norris, 20

Hondo, M Anderson, 30 Indianola & Centerville, J. Cesar, 30

Boerne, S. Gibbes, 25 Mt. Vernon, L Morris, 30

Lavernia, W. H. Moseby, 35 Texana & Morales, W. Goodwin, 35

Nockerunt & Riddleville, T. August, 40 Goliad, C. Mays, 30

Belmont, R. Deux, 30 Corpus Christi, H. Christmas, 120

Brownsville, to be sup.

Floresville, to be sup. by P. Clark, 30

COLUMBUS DISTRICT.

G. W. Richardson, P. E., Post Office, Austin, Texas, $525.

Columbus, L. Carper........... $ — Flatonia and Schulenburg, T.

Columbus circuit, C. Young... 20 Wadkins.......................... 25

Alleyton, E. E. Cooper.... 35 Luling, E. Nesbit.............. 20

Eagle Lake, C. Chase...... 30 Lockhart, W. H. Davis...... 50

Industry, V. B. Banks.... 30 Seguin and Mt Pleasant, J.

Oakland, Peter Johnson... 25 Wright.............................. 25

Boxville, J. Oakman..... 25 San Marcos, G. W. Townsend.. 80

Halletsville, S. Morgan... 25 Gonzales, J. Henderson..... 50

Peach Creek, J. Harrold... 25 Wharton and Cana, to be sup... 20

AUSTIN DISTRICT.

S. Gates, P. E., Post Office, Austin, Texas, $450.

Austin Wesley Chapel, D. Gregory.............. $ — Burnett, to be sup. 30

Simpson Mission, G. Norman... 75 Giddings and Burton, J. Jarman........... 30

Austin circuit, Isaac Smith... 40 Cunningham & Winchester, D.

Georgetown and Round Rock, E. Cogswell........... 55 LaGrange, G. W. Smith... 30
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Taylorville and Pond Spring, J. W. Robinson.................. 80  LaGrange circuit and Fayetteville, P. Carmichael............. 35
Lampasas and San Saba, C. Shanks ................................. 55  Bastrop and Cottonwood, M. Lott................................. 25
Rockdale and Davilla, C. O. Robinson............................ 40  West Point and Flower Hill, C. Hart................................ 25
Belton and Mission, G. Sawyer, .................................. 30

WACO DISTRICT.

C. L. Madison, P. E., Post Office, Waco, Texas, $450.

Waco, B. F. Smith ........................................ $—
East Waco, A. Taylor ........................................ 30 Dallas & McKinney, H. Swann, 60
Waco Mission, R. P. Brown .................................... 35 Denton & Pilot Point, A. Lockhart............................. 50
Marlin and Big creek, P. Wilson ................................ 30
Marlin circuit, J. W. Smitche ................................ 60 Gatesville circuit, W. Graves................................. 30
Bremond and Long Branch, J. A. Hall ............................
Grosbeck Mission, D. Humphries ................................
Spring Hill circuit, G. Wilson, Milford and Grandview, E. Hen-

ROLL OF THE WEST TEXAS CONFERENCE.

August, Toney ........................................ 1876 Harrold, J ........................................ 1878
Anderson, Merritt ...................................... 1879 Henson, Mack ........................................ 1874
Brown, R. P ........................................ 1877 Hall, I A ........................................ 1878
Banks, VanB ........................................ 1874 Henderson, E ........................................ 1879
Brack, A ........................................ 1874 Humphries, D ........................................ 1878
Burris, A. J ........................................ 1875 Johnson, P ........................................ 1876
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do Carper, L ........................................ 1874
do Christmas, H ........................................ 1874
do Jarman, J ........................................ 1878
Clayton, L ........................................ 1876 King, C ........................................ 1874
Coggswell, E ........................................ 1877 Lockhart, A ........................................ 1878
Cooper, E. E ........................................ 1878 Lott, Morton ........................................ 1879
Chase, Charles ........................................ 1879 Mucker, D ........................................ 1878
Cesar, J ........................................ 1876 Mucker, J ........................................ 1878
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do Deux, R ........................................ 1876 Morgan, S ........................................ do
Davis, W H........................................ 1878 Morris, L ........................................ 1875
Gates, S ........................................ 1874 Madison, C L ........................................ 1876
Gregory, D ........................................ 1875 Mays, C ........................................ 1875
Gregory, A. M ........................................ 1876 Medlock, W ........................................ 1877
Gates, P ........................................ 1876 Mitchell, W. J ........................................ 1878
Graves, Willis ........................................ 1874 Norris, A. R ........................................ 1876
Goodwin, W ........................................ 1877 Nesley, A ........................................ 1874
Gibbs, S ........................................ 1877 Nesbit, E ........................................ 1877
Greenwood, L. D. ........................................ 1877 Norman, G ........................................ 1879
Hart, ........................................ 1878 Oakman, J ........................................ 1876
Henderson, J ........................................ 1874 Robinson, J. W ........................................ do
Harper, D ........................................ 1876 Richardson, G. W. ................................ 1877
DISCIPLINARY QUESTIONS.

Question 1. Have any entered this conference by transfer or readmission?
By readmission—Morton Lott, B. F. Williams, Merritt Anderson.

Question 2. Who are admitted on trial? None.


Question 6. Who are the deacons of the second class? Washington Goodwin, William H. Mosby, Edmund E. Cooper, David Mucker, Willis Graves, Robert Deux, Henry Christmas—.

Question 7. Who have been elected and ordained elders this year? Enoch Cogswell, Primus Gates, Harry Swan, Benjamin F. Smith, Charles Scruggs, George W. Townsend, George W. Smith, Cyrus Shanks, Morton Lott, Seaborn Smith—10.


Question 10. Was the character of each preacher examined? It was, strictly.


Question 13. Have any been transferred, and to what conference? S. J. Bundy and W. O. Sheedy, to the Austin conference; and Alexander Campbell and B. F. Williams, to the Texas conference.

Question 14. Have any been expelled? None.

Question 15. Have any died? None.

Question 16. What is the statistical report? (See statistical tables.)

Question 17. What are the claims upon the conference fund? Not answered.

Question 18. What has been received on the foregoing claims, and has it
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Question 19. Where are the preachers stationed? (See appointments.)

Question 20. Where and when shall the next conference be held? At Austin; time not given.

Question 21. Have any local preachers been ordained? Peter M. Carmichael and Emanuel Henderson were ordained deacons.

This certifies that I ordained Granville Norman, Charles Chase, Thomas Watkins, Jack Caesar, Peter M. Carmichael, and Emanuel Henderson, as Deacons, on Sunday, December 7th, in the M. E. Church, Victoria, Texas; and that at the same place, on the same day, with the aid of Elders present, I ordained the following to the office of Elder, namely: Enoch Coggswell, Primus Gates, Harry Swan, Benjamin F. Smith, Charles Scruggs, George W. Townsend, George W. Smith, Cyrus Shanks, Morton Lott, Seaborn Smith.

Victoria, December 8, 1879.

S. M. MERRILL.

Local Preachers of Dallas District.

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| L. Short,       | 50   | Anna Mc Dow, | 2 44 | Evira Cline, | 50   | Francis August,| 50  |
| Amanda Isaac,   | 50   | Silvie Daniel,| 50   | William Singles,| 50   | Alford Meridy, | 50  |
| Nanny Short,    | 50   | Ann Conner, | 50   | Chart Griffin,| 50   | Milton Meridy,| 50  |
| Mary William,   | 50   | Minna Williams,| 50   | William Scott,| 50   | Ruben Holt, | 60  |
| Adeline Adams,  | 50   | Eliza Daniel,| 50   | Mitchell Carraway,| 50   | White Clemens,| 50  |
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| Harriet Adams,  | 50   | Ann Rogers, | 50   | Rachel Butler,| 50   | Henry Johnson,| 50  |

Your committee report as follows: We have carefully examined the accounts and vouchers of elders S. Gates, of Austin district, G. W. Richardson, of San Antonio district and C. L. Madison, of Dallas district, and find them correct. Presiding Elder Carper was not at Conference and his accounts were not before us.

A. M. Gregory,
G. W. Smith,
A. R. Norris.


We believe the South Western Christian Advocate is the real advocate and true defender of the rights and interests of our people. It is the very paper for the members of the M.E. Church in the South. We have the utmost confidence in the editor, Rev. J. C. Hartzell, D. D., and earnestly desire that the next General Conference should continue him in the same relation. His visits are always hailed with delight. We believe it to be the true interest of our people to patronize our own papers and Sunday School literature: therefore,

Resolved, That we, as members of the West Texas Conference, will do all we can to get subscribers for the South-Western Christian Advocate—that we will set apart the first Sunday in January as "South-western day," for that purpose.

[C] Report of Committee on Bible Cause.

We are convinced of the importance of circulating the Scriptures among the people as a means of lifting them to a higher plane of Christian experience. Therefore,

Resolved, 1st. That each pastor be requested to take up a collection for the American Bible Society.
2d. That each pastor be requested to keep an account of all the families in his charge that are destitute of the Bible, and report the same to the next annual conference.
3d. That we will do all we can to supply our people with the Scriptures, believing that our success among the people will be in proportion to their knowledge of God's word.

James Henderson,
D. Mucker,
G. Wilson.

[D] Report of Committee on Freedman's Aid.

We recognize the fact that the Freedman's Aid Society has already accomplished a great deal among the freedmen, in establishing schools and supporting
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We gratefully acknowledge the benefits we have already received in the way of donations and loans, to help us to build churches in places where we could not have built without such help. The people are too poor to build their own churches, and we understand this in our work especially; that we can never hold a society together without a place of worship. We therefore encourage all the pastors to bring this matter carefully before the people, and to take the collections promptly.

E. Cogswell,
S. Smith,
E. E. Cooper.

We, your committee on Sunday schools, beg leave to report that we are as much as ever convinced of the importance of the Sunday school system, to the success of our work. We therefore offer the following:

Resolved, That we will carry out the rule in the discipline instructing us to organize a Sunday school at all of our appointments where we can get ten children.

Resolved, That we will organize all our Sunday schools into missionary societies, and will take up a collection for the Sunday School Union at all of our appointments. We feel that the Sunday school is the place for the old, as well as the young, to learn the truth about heaven. The Sunday school is a grand institution and is doing a grand work. It is a blessed privilege to attend the Sunday school and engage in imparting the great truths of the Bible, instructing the children in the way of truth—many of whom are not taught the way of peace and happiness at home.

Resolved, That this conference instruct its ministers to be more engaged in the Sunday school work.

J. Jarmun,
E. Henderson,
J. Johnson,
W. Goodwin.

Your committee having with gratitude to the Giver of all good witnessed the beneficent effects of the adoption, in several of the counties of our State, of the "local option law," would respectfully submit the following resolutions:

1. Resolved, That we gratefully acknowledge the hand of God in the temperance reform, and especially gratified with the success of its principles in the M. E. Church.

2. Resolved, That we will preach faithfully on the subject warning our people against the very appearance of evil, and will if necessary bring to discipline and exclusion from the church those who transgress.

3. Resolved, That we strongly recommend the organization of temperance societies in our Sunday schools.

4. Resolved, That we believe in the propriety of prohibitory legislation as the only effective remedy for the evil, and hereby pledge ourselves to personal endeavors to secure such legislation, by voting solidly for such men, and such only as are soundly temperate.

5. Resolved, That we bid all the workers in this great reform a hearty God speed, assuring them that we would be behind none of them in devotion to this work, and as ministers of the Gospel, we hereby pledge support by our influence, and our votes, those noble men who dared to lead the way in this grand effort to save our State from degradation and ruin.

6. Resolved, That in the judgment of this conference the use of tobacco in any of its forms is a filthy, unnecessary and expensive habit, and that as ministers we will use all proper means to discourage its use among our people.
MINUTES OF THE WEST TEXAS CONFERENCE

7. Resolved, That we will not admit any man into this conference who uses tobacco, unless he takes an obligation, in open conference, to cease from the habit. 

C. YOUNG,

G. W. SMITH,

A. R. NORRIS.

[H] Report of Committee on Education.

We are thoroughly convinced that our usefulness and happiness depends on our intelligence and piety. We are not qualified to take our place among the evangelical forces and do our full part in the conversion of the world without education. Our people will be 'driven about by every wind of doctrine, and' there can be but little stability in our work, till they have acquired the ability to read the holy Bible and understand the doctrines of our church.

Being thoroughly roused to feel our wants in this direction, we have established a conference school at Austin, which is now in successful operation with four competent teachers, and have contributed, and collected from our people, over $500, which has been used for the purchase of lots for the school buildings. The six lots were purchased at a cost of $1,350, of which amount a little more than $900 remains unpaid. Therefore, be it

Resolved, 1st. That J. W. Robinson be appointed Financial Agent, to visit all the appointments in the conference, and solicit funds to pay for this property and put up a building.

Resolved, 2d. That S. Gates be appointed the Treasurer, to receive and disburse the funds raised in this conference for the purchase of school property.

Resolved, 3d. That the Presiding Elders be requested to present the matter of education at all their quarterly meetings, and urge the people to contribute to the Conference school.

Resolved, 4th. That as pastors we will always welcome the Financial Agent to our pulpits, and give him all the aid we can in his work.

Resolved, 5th. That we respectfully and earnestly request the Freedman's Aid Society to appropriate one thousand dollars for the support of the teachers in our Conference School during the current year, and to enable them to bring up the arrears of the past year, while the funds of the conference are used to purchase property. And further, that we earnestly request the Freedman's Aid Society to remember our wants in the way of funds for building.

Resolved, 6th. That we earnestly endorse the teachers that are now employed in the school, and gratefully acknowledge their unselfish devotion to our interests while we have been passing through the financial embarrassment of the past year.

Resolved, 7th. That the thanks of this conference are due Rev. M. Henson for the fidelity with which he has discharged his duty as agent the past year.

Resolved, 8th. That we earnestly solicit the favor of the officers of the different Rail Roads in the State of Texas to furnish free transportation to our Conference Financial Agent, J. W. Robinson, and that S. Gates and G. W. Richardson be appointed a committee to confer with the different Rail Road authorities on this subject.

A. R. NORRIS,

MACK HENSON.

GEO. W. SMITH.

G. W. RICHARDSON.

A. M. GREGORY.


The amount of money which came into our hands to be distributed among the Conference claimants, was $67.25; disbursed as follows:

To the orphan children of J. Webster, sent by W. H. Davis........................................... $17.70
To Archie Johnson, by S. Gates.............................. 5.00
To J. Wright, sent by L. Long.............. $1.50
To Nathan Coswell, by R. D. Hitch.......................... 5.00
To C. King, by D. Mucker........................................ 10.00
To E. Senior, by C. Senior................. 6.00
To sister Hoffman, by Ch. Chase......................... 7.25
To W. Medlock, by C. L. Madison......................... 18.49

G. W. RICHARDSON, Chairman.
Resolutions on the division of the conference.

Whereas, This Conference and the Texas Conference at their last sessions, by a joint commission agreed upon the formation of the North Texas Conference, to be composed of portions of both of said conferences.

Resolved, That this conference reaffirms its conviction that such conference should be organized, and hereby requests the Texas Conference to reaffirm its action and instruct its delegates to the next General Conference to co-operate with our own in having that body form said North Texas Conference.

Resolved, That in our judgment the following boundaries of the North Texas, Texas, and West Texas Conferences, would be a just division of the territory:

BOUNDARIES OF THE NORTH TEXAS CONFERENCE.

North Texas Conference shall include so much of the State of Texas as lies north of a line commencing at the Louisiana line, following the south line of Shelby county; thence west to San Augustine; thence to Crockett, Hearne, Burnett and the Colorado river; running along the Colorado river to where said river strikes the North line of Tom Green county; thence west along the north line of said county until it strikes the north-east corner of the Territory of New Mexico. All the towns on said line shall be in the North Texas Conference, except Hearne, which shall be in the Texas Conference.

TEXAS CONFERENCE.

Texas Conference shall include so much of the State of Texas as lies east of a line beginning at the Gulf of Mexico, on the east line of Matagorda county, and running along said line and the east line of Wharton and Colorado counties to the north part of Colorado county; thence north until it strikes the Central Railroad at Hearne; thence east along the south boundary line of the North Texas Conference.

WEST TEXAS CONFERENCE.

The West Texas Conference shall embrace so much of the State of Texas as is not included in the North Texas and Texas Conferences.

Resolved, That our delegates be and are hereby instructed to use their influence to have such action taken by the next General Conference as will secure the establishment of the above boundaries.

G. W. RICHARDSON,
S. GATES.

Names of local preachers

Whereas, The General Conference of 1870 adopted a resolution requiring each Annual Conference to publish the names of all local preachers in each circuit and station, therefore,

Resolved, That we, the West Texas Conference, publish the names and post office address of all local preachers within the bounds of the conference, in the minutes.

C. L. MADISON.

Resolved, By the West Texas Conference, that in its judgment the interests of the Methodist Episcopal church in the south-west would be greatly advanced by the establishment of a book depository in the city of New Orleans.

Resolved, That our delegates to the next General Conference are hereby instructed to do all in their power to secure a book depository at New Orleans.

MACK HENSON,
A. R. NORRIS.

Resolutions of thanks.

Resolved, 1st. That we regard it a very great pleasure to have in our midst our beloved Bishop, S. M. Merrill, and we heartily and thankfully appreciate his unceasing efforts for the elevation and education of our race, and we will earnestly endeavor to follow his salutary counsels and admonitions. We hope he may visit us again soon, and be our president.

2d. That we are glad again to greet our brother J. C. Hartzell, and thank him for his visit, and aid in the conference work.

3d. That we tender our thanks to the kind people of Victoria for their warm-hearted reception to the conference, and their generous hospitality to us as members. Also to the pastor of the Baptist church for his fraternal greetings.

A. M. GREGORY,
A. R. NORRIS.

Conference Board of Church Extension

S. GATES, President
G. W. RICHARDSON, V.
M. HENSON, Cor. Sec'y.
R. DUKES, Rec. Sec'y.

Isaac Smith, Geo. Banton,
D. Gregory, Peter Johnson,
J. W. Robinson, T. August,
C. Young.

Triers of Appeals

A. B. Brown, B. F. Smith,
Committee of Examiners for 1880.

To examine candidates for admission on trial and local preachers for Deacon's orders. The Presiding Elders.

First Year—G. W. Smith, P. Gates.
Second Year—E. Coggswell, Willis Graves.
Third Year—H. Swan, T. August.
Fourth Year—A. R. Norris, C. Mays.

To preach the Missionary Sermon, J. W. Robinson.

Conference Collection Apportioned to the Districts.

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| $1000.00 | $200.00 | $330.00 | $270.00 | $200.00 |

Proceedings of the Electoral Conference,

HELD IN VICTORIA, TEXAS, DECEMBER 5TH, 1879.

Conference convened in the M. E. Church, in the city of Victoria.

On motion Andrew Foster was chosen Chairman, and W. B. Avery, Sec'y.

Dr. Hartzell, of New Orleans, being present, explained the business of the Electoral Conference, and read the law bearing on the same.

On motion Wm. B. Avery, Battles Lott, Thomas King, Ephraim Jones and Sanford Dust, were appointed a committee on credentials.

On motion the Conference adjourned till to-morrow at 2 o'clock, P M., by singing the doxology, and benediction by Rev. Dr. Hartzell.

Wm. B Avery, Secretary.

VICTORIA, TEXAS, Dec. 6th, 1879.

Conference met pursuant to adjournment, A. Foster in the chair.

Minutes read and approved.

Committee on credentials ordered to report, which was done.

On motion the Secretary was ordered to complete their roll.

Roll call after being completed, and twenty-nine answered to their names.

Conference then proceeded to the election of delegates to General Conference.

On motion, the vote was taken by ballot.
The result of the ballot was the election of R. Dukes, of Austin, and Batties Lott, of Goliad.

The following were elected reserves, Geo. Brothers and Jackson Johns.

A. Foster, Chairman.

Wm. B. Avery, Secretary.

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Rev. Bishop Levi Scott, D. D., Odessa Del
Rev. Bishop Randolph S. Foster, D. D., LL. D., 59 Rutland Street, Boston, Mass
Rev. Bishop Isaac W. Wiley, D. D., Cincinnati O.
Rev. Bishop Gilbert Haven, Atlanta, Ga.

*222 Ministers and 133 laymen

Freedmen's Aid Society of the Methodist Episcopal Church.

Organization and Officers.—Organized August 7, 1866; head-quarters at Western Methodist Book Concern, Cincinnati, Ohio
Bishop Isaac W. Wiley, D. D., LL. D., President
Richard S. Rust, D. D., LL. D., Corresponding Secretary
John M. Walden, D. D., LL. D., Recording Secretary
J. M. Phillips, Esq., Treasurer, New York

Educational Institutions.—The society has aided in the establishment and support of the following institutions, which are now [Nov. 15, 1879] in a flourishing condition:

Chartered Institutions—Central Tennessee College, Nashville, Tennessee; Clark University, Atlanta, Georgia; Claflin University, Orangeburgh, South Carolina; New Orleans University, New Orleans, Louisiana; Shaw University, Holly Springs, Mississippi; Wiley University, Marshall, Texas.

Theological Schools.—Centenary Biblical Institute, Baltimore, Md.; Thomason Biblical Institute, New Orleans, Louisiana; Baker Institute, Orangeburgh, South Carolina; (Theological classes in all our schools)

Medical College— Meharry Medical College, Nashville, Tenn.

Institutions not Chartered—Bennett Seminary, Greensborough, North Carolina; Cookman Institute, Jacksonville, Florida; Dadeville Seminary, Dadeville, Alabama; Haven Normal School, Waynesboro, Georgia; La Grange Seminary, La Grange, Georgia; Meridian Academy, Meridian, Mississippi; Rust Normal School, Huntsville, Alabama; Walden Seminary, Little Rock, Arkansas; Orphans' Home, La Grange, Louisiana; West Texas Conference Seminary, Austin, Texas

Statistical Summaries of the Methodist Episcopal Church, July 1st, 1879.

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MINUTES OF THE WEST TEXAS CONFERENCE

Number of deaths of Lay Members during the year............................................................ 19,596
Total number of deaths of Ministers from the organization of the Church....................... 8,254
Total number of deaths of Lay Members from the organization of the Church ................ 634,167
Number of Presiding Elders....................................................................................................... 444
Number of Pastoral Charges left to be supplied...................................................................... 1,337
Number of Local Preachers stationed as Pastors........................................................... 1,318

Lay Officers of the Methodist Episcopal Church, July 1st, 1879.
Numbers of Trustees of Churches............................................................................................. 117,047
Number of Stewards of Societies............................................................................................. 94,276
Number of Class-leaders........................................................................................................... 85,262
Number of Sunday-school Superintendents.......................................................................... 39,867
Number of Sunday-school Teachers and Officers other than Superintendents.................. 183,831

Methodist Book Concern, New York.

| ASSETS—Real Estate | $889,821 46 |
| Merchandise | 386,195 21 |
| Notes and Accounts | 355,737 48 |
| Loans to Episcopal Fund | 77,322 10 |
| Cash on hand | 23,388 20 |

Total Assets $1,752,434 65

| LIABILITIES—Bonds | $1,141,758 03 |
| Notes | 115,676 62 |

Total Liabilities $1,752,434 65

Capital as per Ledger
Less amount due subscribers for prepayment.
Twenty-five per cent. from Notes and Accounts.

Net Capital, June 30, 1878, $1,009,412 43
Net Capital, June 30, 1877, 974,192 91

Sales for the year ending November 30, 1878, were as follows:

SALES—Books $378,447 04
Periodicals 347,314 65

Total $725,761 69

Western Book Concern.

| ASSETS—Real Estate | $298,090 00 |
| Merchandise | 372,325 42 |
| Notes and Accounts | 319,922 42 |
| Loans on Episcopal Fund | 33,741 95 |
| Cash on hand | 17,673 19 |

Total Assets $1,041,692 98

| LIABILITIES—Notes and Accounts | 515,241 05 |
| Capital as per Ledger | $526,351 93 |
| Less Twenty-five per cent on Notes and Accounts | 79,980 60 |

Net Capital, November 30, 1878, $446,371 33
Net Capital, November 30, 1877, 429,474 63

Sales for the year ending November 30, 1878, $16,896 70

Profits for the year ending November 30, 1878, $16,896 70

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SALES—Books
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#### Circuits and Stations

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### Instructions

1. Identify and categorize the different stations mentioned in the Austin and Columbus districts.
2. Note the membership numbers, baptisms, church property, and subscription schools for each station.
3. Compare and contrast the membership, baptisms, and church property values between the two districts.
4. Summarize the Benevolent Collections for the Methodist Episcopal Church, highlighting the contributions from different sources such as women's missionary society, Sunday school, and Freedman's Aid Society.
5. Discuss the significance of these collections in the context of the church's overall charitable and educational missions.
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