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## DAILY PROCEEDINGS.

#### FIRST DAY .- THURSDAY, JULY 22d, 1875.

The Twelfth Session of the Delaware Annual Conference of the Methodist Episcopal Church, convened in the Ebenezer M. E. Church, Snow Hill, Md. Bishop E. S. Janes, D. D., in the chair, who conducted the religious exercises by reading the 61st Chapter of Isaiah, and 2nd Chapter, 2nd Timothy, and singing the 206th Hymn, and Prayer. The roll being called by the former Secretary, H. Jolly all the members were present, except three.

W. J. Parker was elected Secretary, S. Cooper and W. C. Dickerson, assistants. J. D. Elbert, Statistical Secretary, and J. E. Webb, Recording Secretary.

The hours of meeting and adjournment were fixed at 9 A. M. and 12 M.

On motion, a draft was ordered on the chartered fund for \$30. The following Committees were appointed:

On Public Worship-Rev. P. Burroughs, P. E. and S. G. Waters.

Conference Stewards-J. Brinkley, C. Pollett, J. R. Webb and J. C. Carroll.

On Sunday Schools-N. Morris, A. Grinage, J. H. Holland and A. Brown. On Temperance-J. G. Manluff, J. W. Brown, W. H. Kauffey and I. Broughton.

On Missions-The Presiding Elders.

On Education -F. J. Lee, C. Ash, L. V. Cox and Wm. Phillips. On Tracts-T. H. Johnson, D. Eaves, C. Wing, G. H. Washington.

On Episcopal Fund-S. Taylor, S. P. Marshall, J. W. Saunders, Isaac Hinson.

On Finance-F. J. Lee, J. W. Brown, J. Q. Dennis and W. B. Green.

On Church Extension-J. H. Pearce, Charles Pollett, J. D. Elbert, W. Perkins, Jas.

Freedman's Aid-S. Johns, J. D. Elbert, P. Kennedy, N. Morris, I. Hinson.

On Memoirs-C. Horsey, S. P. Whittington, A. Grinage, J. Brinkley

On Post Office, W. H. Kauffey.

On Woman's Foreign Missions-P. J. Adams, G. H. Washington, S. P. Marshall, A. Hardy.

On Mode of Worship-W. J. Parker, C. Wing, J. D. Elbert, A. Brown. On Bible Cause-J. W. Saunders, T. H. Johnson, B. Gibbs, J. Broughton.

Questions of Effective Elders were taken up. Rev. N. Young, P. E. of Philadelphia District, represented his district in good condition. See his report, marked A. 1. Broughton, reported his Missionary Collection 511.00; W. J. Parker, \$14.00;

F. J. Lee, \$10.00; J. Brinkley, \$3.00; W. C. Dickerson, \$10.00; J. E. Webb, \$7.00; N. Morris, \$5.00; S. Cooper, \$30.00.

Rev. J. H. Pearce represented his district as in good condition. See his report, marked B.

B. Gibbs, Missionary Collection, \$5.40; S. Taylor, \$9.50; A. Grinage, \$8.00; C. Wing, \$31.00; P. J. Adams, \$4.20; H. Morris, \$9.50; P. Kennedy, \$4.00; C. Pollett,

Rev. H. Jolly represented his District as in good condition. See his report, marked C. L. V. Cox, Missionary Collection, \$30.00; S. P. Marshall, \$10.00; J. Q. Dennis, \$21.30; J. R. Webb, \$20.00; J. H. Holland, \$25.00; J. D. Elbert, \$18.00.

Rev. P. Burrows represented his District in a prosperous condition. See his report, marked D.

Wm. Phillips, Missionary Collection, \$14.00; S. P. Whittington, \$5.00; J. G. Manluff, \$60.00; D. Eaves, \$10.00; Wm. B. Green, \$19.00; J. W. Saunders, \$17.00; A. Brown, \$18.00; S. G. Waters, \$15.00; J. C. Carroll, \$13.00; S. Johns, \$8.00; H. T.

A Resolution was offered by W. J. Parker. See Resolutions, marked E. The Secretaries were appointed a Committee on Publication of Minutes.

To receive Minute Money, G. H. Washington, P. J. Adams, J. Q. Dennis, A Handy. Rev. P. H. Bandin, A. H. Washington, P. J. Adams, J. Q. Dennis, A Conference of the Property of Rev. P. H. Rawlins of the Wilmington Conference, and D. R. Janes of Newark Conference, ence, were introduced. The doxology was sung, and the benediction pronounced by

#### SECOND DAY .- FRIDAY, JULY 23d, 1875.

Conference met at 9 A. M. Bishop Janes, D. D., in the chair.

Devotional services were conducted by Rev. Father I. Hinson by reading, and singing the 906th Hymn, and prayer.

The roll being called, the brethren present answered to their names.

The proceedings of previous day read and adopted.

A Preamble and Resolutions concerning the required qualifications of candidates for admission on trial, in the traveling connection, were offered by Rev. A. Brown.

They were lost.

The 3d Question of the Minutes was then taken up, "Who remain on trial?" Isaac H. White's character passed. Missionary collection \$3.50. G. H. Waters' character passed. Missionary collection, \$2.00. D. R. Dunn's character passed; but being deficient in his studies, he was required to be examined on the studies next year. Missionary collection, \$5.00. Sisters Susan Ennels and Mary A. Young, Daughters of Conference, of Easton Circuit, were introduced to the Conference and presented ten dollars; also the Daughters of Conference of E. Zion, Wilmington, sent \$20.00.

The Fourth question of the Minutes was then taken up: Who are admitted into full connection? J. S. Willis was called before the altar, and asked the disciplinary questions by the Bishop, and after some very interesting and instructive remarks

from the Bishop, he was received into full connection, being a deacon.

The Sixth question of the Minutes was then taken up: Who are denons of the second class? Wm. H. Kauffey, character passed. Missionary collection, \$20.00. T. H. Johnson, character passed. Missionary collection, \$5.00. G. H. Washington, character passed, and required to continue his studies in Nast's Introduction. Missionary collection, \$7.00. C. Ash, character passed, and required to continue his studies in Nast's Introduction. Missionary collection, \$20. D. J. Waters, character passed, and his studies continued. Missionary collection, \$11.00

Seventh Question .- Who have been elected and ordained elders this year? J. W. Brown's character passed. Missionary collection, \$5.00. Aaron Handy, elected to elder's orders. Missionary collection, \$5.00. Charles Horsey elected to elder's orders. Missionary collection, S4. D. R. Jones, a transfer from the Newark Conference, was

elected to elder's orders.

The case of W. Broughton was brought up, and after some discussion, laid over and made the order for Saturday morning.

The following Local Preachers were elected to deacon's orders: Perry W. Pipes, from Berean Chapel, Robert Waters, from Fairmount Circuit, Stephen Willin, from Quanti-

A communication from Chestertown concerning the Temperance Advocate was read and referred to a committee, consisting of J. D. Elbert, A. Brown, J. W. Brown and S.

A report from the Secretary of the Church Extension Society was read, and referred to the Board of Church Extension. By expiration of time the Conference adjourned by singing the Doxology. Benediction by J. H. Pearce.

#### THIRD DAY-SATURDAY, JULY 24th.

The Conference convened at the usual place of meeting at 9 A. M., Bishop E. S. Janes, D. D., in the chair. Religious exercises conducted by Rev. J. Q. Dennis, by reading the third chapter of Phillippians and singing hymn, page 140, and prayer. The roll was called, and the members present answered to their names, (See roll). The second day's proceedings were read and approved. The place of the sitting of the next Conference was called. The following places were named: Chestertown, Zoar, St. Michael's. Zoas Thiladelphia, was fixed on for the next session.

The ninth question .- Who are the Superannuated Preachers? -was taken up. I.

Hinson and H. Long were called, and their relations continued.

H Smith deceased August 21st, 1874, at Wilmington. He died in peace.

The triers of appeals were then elected, the same as last year.

The hour for electing delegates to the next General Conference was fixed at 11 A. M. T. Johnson stated to the Conference the detail of a law-suit against one of his churches, leaving him minus \$56. A collection was taken in his behalf, amounting to \$25.20.

On motion the case of Wm. Broughton was taken up; it was referred to the P. E., of the Philadelphia District for investigation.

Committee on Sunday Schools reported (marked F.) Report adopted. The committee on Temperance reported, -read and adopted (marked G.). The committee on Education reported, -read and adopted (marked H.).

A report from the Washington Conference was presented, of the greetings of our

fraternal delegates to their last session.

An address was delivered by J. C. Round, A. M. on the subject of education, which was very pleasing to all, and was listened to with marked attention. It was agreed that N. Young be refunded the money advanced to defray the expenses of delegates, and the same to be collected from the different Districts.

Brother Myers was introduced to the Conference.

On motion it was agreed that Brother Parker be paid some money advanced for

It was also agreed that a general collection be taken up in all the Churches for the support of the Centenary Biblical Institute, in the month of June.

The Conference stewards reported (see report marked I.) \$145.

The committee on Bible cause presented their report, adopted (see report marked

Committee on Missions reported, (see report marked K.).

Committee on Freedman's Aid reported, (see report marked L.). The moneys collected for Freedman's Aid, are to be paid to J. E. Round, A. M.

The committee on the mode of worship reported, (see report marked M.).

The order of the day was taken up for the election of delegates. Rev. H. Jolly having received a majority of all the votes cast, was declared elected. S. Cooper, reserve.

On motion it was agreed that a collection be taken in behalf of Ebenezer Church. The Conference adjourned to meet at 3 o'clock, P. M.

#### THIRD DAY-AFTERNOON SESSION.

The Conference met at 3 o'clock, P. M., Bishop Janes in the chair. Religious services were conducted by S. P. Whittington, by reading the tenth chapter of Luke. and singing the 1121st hymn, and prayer.

The roll was called, the members present answering to their names.

The journal of the morning session was read and adopted.

The second question was taken up. Who are admitted on trial? P. W. Pipes, W. M. Webb, Wm. Taylor, W. Johnson,

The report of the Committee on memorials was read and approved.

Bishop E. R. Ames, D. D., was introduced to the Conference.

Report on the Temperance Advocate was read and adopted.

Brother Wm. P. Perkins made some remarks relating to the paper.

The report of Board of Church Extension was read and adopted, (see report marked A.).

The committee which was appointed at the last session of the Conference, to receive moneys for the Rev. H. Smith, from the several Circuits and Stations, reported

\$30.85 paid over to Sister Smith: approved, and the Committee discharged.

The Fraternal delegates of the Washington Conference: W. W. Foman, P. E., and C. G. Key, P. E., were introduced to the Conference. Brother Foman made some interesting remarks; also Brother Keys came forward, and made some very interesting remarks, that thrilled every heart that heard him. Bro. Jolly responded in a becoming way, and said, be it resolved, that we be one in spirit. On motion, two Fraternal Delegates were appointed to bear the greeting of the Delaware Conference to the next session of the Washington Conference. Delegates, Revs. W. J. Parker, H. Jolly.

The Statistical report was read and adopted.

A vote of thanks was tendered the Rev. S. Cooper for his able Centennial sermon on the American Independence, and he was requested to furnish a copy for publication in the Temperance Advocate of Chestertown, Md.

A resolution of thanks was offered by the Rev. Wm. Phillips, (see resolution.)

The Committee on Post Offices brought forward their report, which was adopted,

A resolution on the question of a colored Bishop was offered by S. Cooper. It was

adopted, (see report).

A resolution was offered by W. J. Parker and adopted, that a collection should be

taken for the sexton. The amount received was \$6.

On motion it was ordered that each District raise the amount of \$12.50, and the same be paid over to H. Jolly, to be forwarded to the General Conference at its next session. The collection shall be made on the second round of the Presiding Elders. On motion it was ordered that fifteen hundred copies of the Minutes be printed.

A resolution on publication was adopted.

The report of the Auditing Committee was examined, found correct, and adopted. On motion the Conference adjourned to meet on Sunday evening, immediately after the sermon-Doxology was sung. The benediction was pronounced by J. Empry Rounds.

On motion the Conference went into election for a lay delegate to the General Conference to meet at St. Louis in 1876. The following was the result. Samuel Green received 3 votes, William Perkins 24, A. Murray 4, N. Young 1;-total 32. William Perkins having received a majority of the votes, was declared elected as delegate to the General Conference. His residence is Chestertown, Kent County, Md. Afterwards A. Murray, of Wilmington, Del., was elected alternate. We certify that the above is the true statement.

SAMUEL GREEN. President. JOHN H. GRIFFIN, Secretary.

#### FOURTH DAY-SUNDAY, JULY 25th.

Religious exercises at Ebenezer Church. Hymn, page 16, was sung. Preaching by Bishop Scott. Text, St. Mark, chapter 9th, verse 23d. At the close of the sermon, Bishop Janes ordained the following as Deacons: Perry W. Pipes, Robert Waters and Stephen Willin. Also, J. W. Brown, Aaron Handy, Charles Horsey, D. R. Jones were ordained Elders by Bishop Ames.

Afternoon, memorial service of the Rev. H. Smith: preaching by Rev. I. Hinson

Text, 8th chapter of Romans, 18th verse. Hymn 958. EVENING SERVICE.

At half past 7 o'clock, conducted by the Rev. D. R. Jones of Newark Conference. After singing and prayer, the text was announced- My kingdom is not of this world." (John xviii, 36). After the sermon, Bishop Janes called the Conference to order. The Presiding Elders, presented the mission report, and it was filed. Plan of examination filed.

A resolution was offered by S. Cooper, in relation to the boundaries of the

Delaware Conference, which was adopted, (see resolution).

Resolution on Church Government was offered by Brother H. Jolly; it was adopted, (see resolution).

A collection for the liquidation of the debt on Ebenezer Church was taken

through the day, amounting to \$135.45.

A portion of the 28th chapter of Matthew was read by the Bishop, and the 712th hymn was sung, after which the Bishop proceeded to read out the Appointmentsthe Doxology was sung. Benediction pronounced by Bishop Scott.

The following persons were by me ordained Deacons in the Methodist Episcopal Church, on Sunday, July 25th, 1875, at Snow Hill, Md:-Perry W. Pipes, Robert

Waters, and Stephen Willin.

E. S. JANES.

This is to certify that John W. Brown, Aaron Handy, Charles Horsey and Daniel R. Jones were by me ordained elders in the Methodist Episcopal Church, at Snow Hill, Md., July 25th, 1875. E. R. AMES.

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