

MINUTES

OF THE

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OF THE

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FALL CONFERENCES, 1896

NEW YORK: EATON & MAINS
CINCINNATI: CURTS & JENNINGS

Big Valley, W. S. Grant.
Clinton, J. H. Amis.
Cumberland Gap, C. W. Miller.
Deer Lodge, to be supplied.
Jamestown, A. C. Peters.
Jellico and Newcomb, M. H. Monroe.
Maynardsville, G. M. Stout.
New River, to be supplied.
Oliver Springs, S. V. Lowe.
Rutledge, to be supplied.
Scarboro, W. T. Sanders.
Sunbright, J. C. Harmon.
Tazewell, T. W. Brown.
Well Spring, J. M. Emert.

GREENEVILLE DISTRICT.

S. G. KETRON, P. E.
(P. O., Bloomingdale, Tenn.)
Bloomingdale, C. D. Houchins.
Butler, to be supplied.
Chucky City, H. B. Ogle.
Elizabethton and Roan Mountain,
D. G. Pile.

Erwin, H. W. McKenzie.
Fall Branch, J. W. McGee.
Greeneville, T. B. Russell.
Greeneville Circuit, W. R. By-
erly.
Johnson City, L. B. Caldwell.
Jonesboro, G. B. Cox.
Mountain City, G. W. Clenden-
nen.
Newport, A. B. McKenzie.
Oakland, T. R. West.
Parrottsville, J. L. Cardwell.
Rogersville, W. S. Bandy.
Romeo, to be supplied.
Sneedville, D. Richardson.
Surgoinsville, J. C. Hodge.
Watauga, J. H. Jennings.

KNOXVILLE DISTRICT.

J. A. RUBLE, P. E.
(P. O., Maryville, Tenn.)
Dandridge, W. T. Senter,
Elk Grove and Jones Chapel, T.
H. Hodge.

Fair Garden, P. H. Henry.
Knoxville: Asylum Street, I. H.
Miller.
East End, J. M. Durham.
First Church, J. W. Jones.
Luttrel Street, J. S. Jones.
Knoxville Circuit, A. M. Rose.
Little River, L. O. Crowder,
Morristown, W. C. Miller.
Morristown Circuit, T. S. Walker.
New Salem, W. B. Rippetoe.
Newport, G. T. Francisco.
Richardson's Cove, to be sup-
plied.
Sevierville, M. A. Rule.
Thorn Grove, William Kinsland.
Wear's Valley, to be supplied.
J. E. Tallant, Principal in Hol-
ston Seminary—member of Dan-
dridge Quarterly Conference.

QUEST. 30. *Where shall the next
Conference be held?*
In Athens, Tenn.

CENTRAL GERMAN CONFERENCE,

Held in Newport, Ky., Sept. 9-14, 1896.

BISHOP MERRILL, *Presiding.*

J. H. HORST, *Secretary.*

Post office of Secretary, Grand Rapids, Mich.

QUEST. 1. *Who have been Received
by Transfer, and from what Con-
ferences?*

Daniel Matthaei, from Southern
German.

QUEST. 2. *Who have been Read-
mitted?*

None.

QUEST. 3. *Who have been Received
on Credentials, and from what
Churches?*

None.

QUEST. 4. *Who have been Received
on Trial?*

(a) In Studies of First Year.
Timothy A. Speckman, Gustav
Maag, Louis H. Graessle, Henry
Bank, Henry Schaedel—5.

(b) In Studies of Third Year.
None.

QUEST. 5. *Who have been Continued
on Trial?*

(a) In Studies of First Year.
None.

(b) In Studies of Second Year.
Daniel Harrer, John E. Beck,
Charles E. Buerkle—3.

(c) In Studies of Third Year.
None.

(d) In Studies of Fourth Year.
None.

QUEST. 6. *Who have been Discon-
tinued?*

None.

QUEST. 7. *Who have been Admitted
into Full Membership?*

(a) Elected and Ordained Deacons this
year.
Henry Bornemann, Ernst Muel-
ler, Emil G. Boeh—3.

(b) Elected and Ordained Deacons pre-
viously.
Hermann Beyet.

QUEST. 8. *What Members are in
Studies of Third Year?*

(a) Admitted into Full Membership this
year.
Henry Bornemann, Ernst Muel-
ler, Emil G. Boeh, Hermann Bey-
et—4.

(b) Admitted into Full Membership pre-
viously.
None.

QUEST. 9. *What Members are in
Studies of Fourth Year?*

Henry B. Roller, Frederick W.
Mueller, Edward W. Strecker,
William F. Hayn—4.

QUEST. 10. *What Members have
Completed the Conference Course
of Study?*

(a) Elected and Ordained Elders this
year.
Conrad Boecklin, William Ro-
gatzky, John H. Holtkamp, John
C. Guenther—4.

(b) Elected and Ordained Elders previ-
ously.
None.

QUEST. 11. *What others have been
Elected and Ordained Deacons?*

(a) As Local Preachers.
None.

(b) Under Missionary Rule.
None.

QUEST. 12. *What others have been
Elected and Ordained Elders?*

(a) As Local Deacons.
None.

(b) Under Missionary Rule.
None.

QUEST. 13. *Was the Character of
each Preacher Examined?*

This was strictly done, as the
name of each Preacher was called
in open Conference.

QUEST. 14. *Who have been Trans-
ferred, and to what Conferences?*

None.

QUEST. 15. *Who have Died?*

Henry Buddenbaum, August
Gerlach—2.
(See obituaries, p. 439.)

QUEST. 16. *Who have been Located
at their own request?*

None.

QUEST. 17. *Who have been Located?*

None.

QUEST. 18. *Who have Withdrawn?*

None.

QUEST. 19. *Who have been permitted
to Withdraw under Charges or
Complaints?*

None.

QUEST. 20. *Who have been Expelled?*

None.

QUEST. 21. *What other Personal Notation should be made?*
None.

QUEST. 22. *Who are the Supernumerary Preachers?*
George Berg, Franklin Ohlinger, Henry Metzger—3.

QUEST. 23. *Who are the Superannuated Preachers?*
J. G. Reiber, William Geyer, William Ahrnes, Christian Vogel, G. A. Breuning, P. B. Becker, Englehart Riemenschneider, C. F. Heitmeyer, F. A. Hoff, Jacob Gable, Frederick Ruff, J. V. Jahrtaus, C. G. Fritsche, Gustav Bertram, John Schneider, William Borchering, Henry Krill, J. H. Lukemeyer, G. F. Fiedler, Conrad Webnes, J. H. Barth, K. A. Miihtzer, John Hass, Karl Bozenhardt, John Hueneke, Andrew Mayer, J. C. Egley—27.

QUEST. 24. *Who are the Triers of Appeals?*
George Schwinn, Jacob Brown, Charles Treuschel, Andrew Graessle, Jacob Bockstahler, W. A. Schruiff, Karl Koch—7.

QUEST. 25. *What is the Statistical Report for this year?*
(See tabulated statement, p. 471.)

QUEST. 26. *What is the Aggregate of the Benevolent Collections ordered by the General Conference, as reported by the Conference Treasurer?*

\$31,136.

QUEST. 27. *What are the Claims on the Conference Fund?*
Not answered.

QUEST. 28. *What has been Received on these Claims, and how has it been Applied?*

\$4,473,

which has been applied under order of the Conference.

QUEST. 29. *Where are the Preachers Stationed?*

[These appointments are all in the State of Ohio, except as otherwise indicated.]

CINCINNATI DISTRICT.

JOHN S. SCHNEIDER, P. E.
(P. O. —.)

Batesville and Brookville (Ind.), William Riechenmeyer.
Batesville Circuit, *Daniel Harrer*.
Chillicothe and Waverly, W. E. Nocka.
Cincinnati: Everett Street, John Oetjen.
Mount Auburn, B. F. Beal.
Race Street, Frederick Cramer.
Spring Grove Avenue, *Gustav Maag*.
Third Church, Charles Treuschel.
Walnut Hills, J. C. Wurster.
Covington (Ky.), G. E. Hiller.
Dayton, Elias Roser.
Greenville and Piqua, F. J. Kapsch.
Hamilton, John Claus.

Indianapolis (Ind.): First Church, W. F. Grieve.
Nipperri Memorial, *Henry Bornemann*.
Second Church and New Palestine, A. F. Zarweil.
Third Church, Matthias George.
Fronton and Zion, John Miller, *T. A. Speckman*.
Lafayette (Ind.), J. H. Schimmel-pfennig.
Lawrenceburg (Ind.), *E. W. Strecker*.
Mount Healthy, William Jauch.
Newport (Ky.), J. J. Baechtold.
Pomeroy, William Andree.
Portsmouth, W. A. Schruiff.
William Nast, Honorary Editor of *Der Christliche Apologete*—member of Race Street, Cincinnati, Quarterly Conference.
A. J. Nast, Editor of *Der Christliche Apologete*—member of Everett Street, Cincinnati, Quarterly Conference.
Christian Golder, Assistant Editor of *Der Christliche Apologete*—member of Walnut Hills, Cincinnati, Quarterly Conference.
Herman Grentenberg, Editor of *Der Wegweiser zur Heiligung*—member of Mount Auburn, Cincinnati, Quarterly Conference.

LOUISVILLE DISTRICT.

JACOB ROTHWEILER, P. E.
(P. O., New Albany, Ind.)

Bedford (Ind.), A. J. Weigle.
Booneville (Ind.), C. A. Helwig.
Bradford (Ind.), Jacob Allinger.
Cannelton and Tell City (Ind.), W. J. G. Bockstahler, C. H. Miller.
Evansville (Ind.): First Church, J. F. Severinghaus.
Mission, George Schwinn.
Huntingburg (Ind.), George Kaletsch.
Jeffersonville (Ind.), C. E. Severinghaus.
Louisville (Ky.): Breckenridge Street, H. G. Lich.
Eighteenth Street and Otisco, Frederick Johannes.
Jefferson Street, J. E. Braun.
Market Street, Joseph Kern.
Madison (Ind.), C. G. Fritsche.
Mars (Ind.) (P. O., Saint Philip), H. E. Wulzen.
Mount Vernon (Ind.), Louis Miller.
Nashville (Tenn.), C. G. Herzer.
New Albany (Ind.), J. W. Huber.
Salem (Ind.), J. C. Guenther.
Santa Claus (Ind.), Adam Schanzbacher.
Seymour (Ind.), Andrew Graessle.
White Creek (Ind.), L. S. Kaetterhenry.
H. B. Roller, Conference Evangelist—member of Huntingburg Quarterly Conference.

MICHIGAN DISTRICT.

LOUIS ALLINGER, P. E.
(P. O., Detroit, Mich.)

Allegan (Mich.), J. J. Link.
Ann Arbor (Mich.), J. C. Speckman.

Auburn and Garrett (Ind.), *Henry Bank*.
Bay City (Mich.), George Mitter.
Berne (Mich.), Christian Spaeth.
Defiance, Edward Kress.
Detroit (Mich.): First Church, Oscar Rogatzky.
Second Church, Ernst Werner.
Third Church, *W. F. Haug*.
De Witt (Mich.), B. E. E. Fischback.
Eden, D. E. Dangel.
Elmore, Hermann Rogatzky.
Francisco (Mich.), Paul Wuerfel.
Freeport (Mich.), William Rogatzky.
Goshen (Ind.), Conrad Boecklin.
Grand Rapids (Mich.), J. H. Horst.
Holt (Mich.), George Wahl.
Kendallville (Ind.), David Dobbriek.
Lansing (Mich.), Karl Koch.
Marine City (Mich.), C. B. Koch.
Montague (Mich.), J. A. Marquardt.
Muskegon (Mich.), *Emil G. Boch*.
Roseville (Mich.), F. A. Kuhnle.
Saginaw and Kochville (Mich.), Christian Baumann, *C. E. Buerkle*.
Stryker, to be supplied.
Toledo: East Side and Perrysburg, Jacob Braun.
Galena Street, *Hermann Beyer*.
Segur Avenue, David Graessle.
Walnut Street, J. J. Bockstahler.

NORTH OHIO DISTRICT.

J. G. SCHAAL, P. E.
(P. O., Berea, O.)

Akron, A. C. Bauer.
Allegheny (Pa.), Daniel Matthaei.
Baresville (P. O., Hannibal), John Kuster.
Berea, John Mayer.
Bucyrus, J. C. Gerlack.
Canal Dover and Chili, F. J. Baumann.
Clarrington, E. W. Bockstahler.
Cleveland: Bethany, *F. W. Mueller*.
Emmanuel, *Henry Schaefer*.
First Church, Henry Pullmann.
Saint Paul's, J. R. Bodmer.
Columbus: First Church, Hermann Herzer.
Second Church, *L. H. Graessle*.
Delaware, Frederick Mersfelder.
Galion, C. O. Klockseim.
Marietta and Bonn, Henry Jend.
Marion and Salem, C. E. Ploch.
Marion Circuit, S. J. P. Graessle.
Monroefield, *J. E. Beck*.
New Knoxville, Max Dieterle.
Pittsburg (Pa.): East Liberty and McKeesport, J. H. Holtkamp.
First Church, F. A. Sehumann.
Second Church, Richard Pueddemann.
Sandusky and La Carne, *Ernst Mueller*, one to be supplied.
Spencer, J. C. Gommel.
Vermillion, Jacob Bockstahler.
Wheeling (W. Va.), Gustav Weiler.

Carl Riemenschneider, President; J. O. Berr, Professor; J. C. Marting, Treasurer and Financial Agent, of German Wallace College — members of Berea Quarterly Conference.

J. C. Weidmann, Superintendent of Berea Orphan Asylum—member of Berea Quarterly Conference.
C. F. Kupfer, Missionary in China.

F. W. Schneider, left without appointment to attend some one of our schools.

QUEST. 30. *Where shall the next Conference be held?*
In Columbus, O.

INDIANA CONFERENCE,

Held in Evansville, Ind., Sept. 16-21, 1896.

BISHOP MERRILL, *Presiding.*

R. A. KEMP, *Secretary.*

Post office of Secretary, Vevay, Ind.

QUEST. 1. *Who have been Received by Transfer, and from what Conferences?*

Harvey A. Sheldon, from South Kansas; J. W. Turner, from Kentucky; C. C. Lasby, from Nebraska—3.

QUEST. 2. *Who have been Readmitted?*

None.

QUEST. 3. *Who have been Received on Credentials, and from what Churches?*

None.

QUEST. 4. *Who have been Received on Trial?*

(a) In Studies of First Year.

William B. Farmer, George H. Reiboldt, Frank S. Miller, John B. Johnson, Charles H. Rose, Charles M. Kroft—6.

(b) In Studies of Third Year.

None.

QUEST. 5. *Who have been Continued on Trial?*

(a) In Studies of First Year.

Theodore K. Willis, John S. Ward, Lawrence Jeffery, Clarence C. Bonnell, Elmer E. McDuffee, John N. Jerman—6.

(b) In Studies of Second Year.

Eli T. Gerkin, Frank W. Davis, Charles L. Martin, Robert S. Hyde, Edward A. Robertson, William R. Plummer, James L. Shroyer, Geo. S. Henninger, Edward M. Chambers, James L. Brown, Charles A. Ward, Lucien B. Youngblood, Andrew J. Patrick, Charles W. Dobson, James P. Masson—15.

(c) In Studies of Third Year.

None.

(d) In Studies of Fourth Year.

None.

QUEST. 6. *Who have been Discontinued?*

William E. Hinshaw, James W. Edwards, Charles S. Norton—3.

QUEST. 7. *Who have been Admitted into Full Membership?*

(a) Elected and Ordained Deacons this year.

Charles W. Whitman, Reuben W. Fish, Fielding L. Priest, Frank F. Ogle, Carl S. Risley, Elmer L. Butler, Aylet R. Jones, William F. Smith, Albert W. Stout, William H. Wylie, James F. O'Haver, Arthur D. Batchelor, John M. Wines, Charles W. Maupin—14.

(b) Elected and Ordained Deacons previously.

Howard D. Sterritt.

QUEST. 8. *What Members are in Studies of Third Year?*

(a) Admitted into Full Membership this year.

Charles W. Whitman, Reuben W. Fish, Fielding L. Priest, Frank F. Ogle, Carl S. Risley, Elmer L. Butler, Aylet R. Jones, William F. Smith, Albert W. Stout, William H. Wylie, James F. O'Haver, Arthur D. Batchelor, John M. Wines, Charles W. Maupin, Howard D. Sterritt—15.

(b) Admitted into Full Membership previously.

James T. Bean, William C. Botkin, Walter G. Proctor—3.

QUEST. 9. *What Members are in Studies of Fourth Year?*

Lemuel M. Grigsby, Henry W. Baldridge, Edward E. Urner, Samuel G. Benham, John E. Coffin, Elmer St. Clair, John Ragle, Elmer C. Jordan, John H. Furry, John J. Clouds, Daniel W. Noble, Merritt Maehlan, Harvey H. Sheldon, Charles W. Croke, Lewis F. Dimmitt, Thomas J. Anthony—16.

QUEST. 10. *What Members have Completed the Conference Course of Study?*

(a) Elected and Ordained Elders this year.

Thomas M. Heaton, Festus A. Steele, Joseph A. Stout, Charles H. Pinnick, Wilford Ellis, Theodore J. Shrode, William G. Clinton, William M. Gaither, John M. D. Huddleson, George S. McKee, John E. Sidebottom, Charles E.

Mead, Wilbur S. Smith, Walter B. Grimes, Ulysses G. Abbott—15.

(b) Elected and Ordained Elders previously.

None.

QUEST. 11. *What others have been Elected and Ordained Deacons?*

(a) As Local Preachers.

Mark E. Coen (elected, not ordained).

(b) Under Missionary Rule.

None.

QUEST. 12. *What others have been Elected and Ordained Elders?*

(a) As Local Deacons.

John Hawke, Samuel J. Wilson, Benjamin F. Shepherd—3.

(b) Under Missionary Rule.

None.

QUEST. 13. *Was the Character of each Preacher Examined?*

This was strictly done, as the name of each Preacher was called in open Conference.

QUEST. 14. *Who have been Transferred, and to what Conferences?*

H. A. Buchtel, to New York East; W. R. Halstead, to Nebraska; C. H. Muse, to Black Hills; M. E. Coen, to Montana—4.

QUEST. 15. *Who have Died?*

Lealdes Forbes, David Swartz, Miles Woods, John Walls, Alexander Kennedy, D. T. Davis—6.

(See obituaries, p. 440.)

QUEST. 16. *Who have been Located at their own request?*

None.

QUEST. 17. *Who have been Located?*

None.

QUEST. 18. *Who have Withdrawn?*

None.

QUEST. 19. *Who have been permitted to Withdraw under Charges or Complaints?*

None.