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OF THE

ANNUAL CONFERENCES

OF THE

METHODIST EPISCOPAL CHURCH.

FALL CONFERENCES OF 1886.

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Traverse City, Robert Shorts.
Traverse City Circuit, to be supplied.
Williamsburg, W. Heath.
Dalbert L. Thomas, Arthur K. Stewart, Luther B. Kenyon, J. J. Hartley, Alfred E. Craig, and Paul Desjardine, left without appointment to attend some one of our schools.
QUEST. 33. *Where shall the next Conference be held?*
Bay View.

NORWEGIAN AND DANISH CONFERENCE,

Held in Minneapolis, Minn., Sept. 16-20, 1886.

BISHOP MERRILL, *Presiding.*

L. A. LARSEN, *Secretary.*

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

Nels Christophersen, from Norway; Christian Heckner, from New York East—2.

QUEST. 2. *Who are Admitted on Trial?*

Ezert M. Stangeland, Isaac Johnsen, Lars C. Knudsen, Christian L. Westberg, Joseph Olsen, John C. Jensen, Emel Mork, Johan Markussen—8.

QUEST. 3. *Who Remain on Trial?*

Paul Haugen, Svend K. Johansen, Jens Nielsen—3.

QUEST. 4. *Who are Discontinued?*

Martinus Hillarud.

QUEST. 5. *Who are Admitted into Full Connection?*

August Petersen, John Hansen, Gustaf Abrahamsen—3.

QUEST. 6. *Who are Re-admitted?*

None.

QUEST. 7. *Who are Received on Credentials from other Churches?*

None.

QUEST. 8. *What Traveling Preachers have been elected Deacons?*

John Hansen, Gustaf Abrahamsen—2.

QUEST. 9. *What Traveling Preachers have been ordained Deacons?*

John Hansen, Gustaf Abrahamsen—2.

QUEST. 10. *What Local Preachers have been elected Deacons?*

Christian B. Christiansen

QUEST. 11. *What Local Preachers have been ordained Deacons?*

Christian B. Christiansen.

QUEST. 12. *Who are the Traveling Deacons of the First Class?*

August Petersen, John Hunsen, Gustaf Abrahamsen, Christian Heckner—4.

QUEST. 13. *Who are the Traveling Deacons of the Second Class?*

Johan C. Tollefsen, Eliot Hansen, Michael L. Kjelstad, Peter A. H. Franklin—4.

QUEST. 14. *What Traveling Deacons have been elected Elders?*

Severin E. Simonsen, Nels E. Simonsen—2.

QUEST. 15. *What Traveling Deacons have been ordained Elders?*

Severin E. Simonsen, Nels E. Simonsen—2.

QUEST. 16. *What Local Deacons have been elected Elders?*

None.

QUEST. 17. *What Local Deacons have been ordained Elders?*

None.

QUEST. 18. *Who are the Supernumerary Preachers?*

M. J. Pihl, B. E. Olin, F. W. Erickson—3.

QUEST. 19. *Who are the Superannuated Preachers?*

H. H. Holland, O. Helland, P. B. Smith—3.

QUEST. 20. *Was the Character of each Preacher Examined?*

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

QUEST. 21. *Have any Died?*

None.

QUEST. 22. *Have any been Transferred, and to what Conferences?*

None.

QUEST. 23. *Have any Withdrawn?*

None.

QUEST. 24. *Have any been Located at their own Request?*

None.

QUEST. 25. *Have any been Located?*

None.

QUEST. 26. *Have any been permitted to Withdraw under Charges?*

None.

QUEST. 27. *Have any been Expelled?*

QUEST. 28. *Who are selected for Triers of Appeals?*

O. P. Petersen, L. A. Larsen, Frederick Ring, B. Smith, O. T. Olsen, O. Jacobsen, N. E. Simonsen—7.

QUEST. 29. *What is the Statistical Report for this Conference year?*

(See tabulated statement, p. 391.)

QUEST. 30. *What are the Claims on the Conference Fund?*

\$590.

QUEST. 31. *What has been Received on these Claims, and how has it been Applied?*

\$324 72,

which has been applied under order of the Conference.

QUEST. 32. *Where are the Preachers Stationed?*

[These appointments are all in the States indicated.]

CHICAGO DISTRICT.

A. HAGENSEN, P.E.

(P. O., Evanston.)

Cambridge and Deerfield (Wis.), A. Johnsen.

Chicago (Ill.): First Church, O. A. Wiensen.

Maplewood Avenue, O. Jacobsen.

Original from

Chicago (Ill.): Moreland, to be supplied.
Noble Street, E. M. Stangeland.
Park Side and High Park, Isaac Johnsen.
Depere, Sheboygan, and Manitowoc (Wis.), *E. Arvesen*.
Eau Claire (Wis.), Paul Haugen.
Evanston (Ill.), to be supplied.
La Crosse and North La Crosse (Wis.), C. Heckner.
Leland and Lee (Ill.), *O. L. Hansen*.
Madison and Lewistown (Wis.), *Endre Enderlsen*.
Manistee (Mich.), *B. Smith*.
Milwaukee and Oconomowoc (Wis.), J. C. Tollefsen.
Nenah (Wis.), to be supplied.
North Cape (Wis.), to be supplied.
Norway and Bell's Corner (Ill.), to be supplied.
Racine (Wis.), *O. P. Petersen*.
Stoughton and Whitewater (Wis.), Eliot Hansen.
Waujaca and Scandinavia (Wis.), *C. Oman*.
Wausau and Merrill (Wis.), Lars Christian Knudsen.
Westby and Richland (Wis.), M. L. Kjelstad.
Christian Treider, Editor of Den Christelige Talsmand—member of First Church, Chicago, Quarterly Conference.
Nels E. Simonsen, Principal and Financial Agent of the Norwegian and Danish Theological School—member of Evanston Quarterly Conference.

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PETER JENSEN, P. E.
(P. O., Fergus Falls, Minn.)
Ashland (Minn.), *G. Abrahamsen*.
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Cookston, Beltrami, and Grand Forks (Minn.), *A. Petersen*, *J. Olsen*.
Cooperstown (Wis.), *C. L. Westberg*.
Devil's Lake (Wis.), to be supplied.
Duluth (Minn.), *Frederick Ring*.
Fargo (D. T.) and Moorhead (Minn.), to be supplied.
Fergus Falls (Minn.), to be supplied.
Grantsburg (Wis.), to be supplied.
Hendrum (D. T.) and Ada (Minn.), to be supplied.
Hillsborough and Blanchard (D. T.), *Andrew Petersen*.
Hutchinson (Minn.), to be supplied.
Ishpeming and L'Anse (Mich.), to be supplied.
Saint Hilaire and Stephen (Minn.), to be supplied.

SAINT PAUL DISTRICT.
ASLE KNUDSEN, P. E.
(P. O., Saint Paul, Minn.)
Altoona (Iowa), to be supplied.
Blooming Grove and Albert Lea (Minn.), *A. O. Ulland*.
Brighton and Scandia Grove (Minn.), to be supplied.
Danville and Saybrook (D. T.) to be supplied.

Deer Park and Cumberland (Wis.), *O. T. Olsen*.
Des Moines (Iowa) and Carbon (Ind.), *John Hansen*.
Forest City (Iowa), *H. Danielson*.
Grand Meadow and Frankfort (Minn.), to be supplied.
Minneapolis (Minn.), *S. E. Simonsen*.
Newburg and South Fork (Minn.), *James Petersen*.
New Centreville, Hartland, and Diamond Bluffs (Wis.), to be supplied.
Plainview and Belvedere (Minn.), *C. Christophersen*.
Red Wing (Wis.), to be supplied.
Round Prairie and New Albin (Iowa), to be supplied.
Saint Paul (Minn.), *L. A. Larsen*.
Sioux City and Omaha (Iowa), to be supplied.
Toronto and Canby (Minn.), to be supplied.
Washington Prairie and Big Canoe (Iowa), to be supplied.
Carl Schou, *C. F. Eltzholtz*, *J. J. Christensen*, *Svend K. Johansen*, *Jens Nielsen*, and *Johan Markussen*, Missionaries in Denmark.

Martinus Nelsen, *Peter A. H. Franklin*, *Einell Mork*, and *N. Christophersen*, Missionaries in Utah.

QUEST. 83. *Where shall the next Conference be held?*
In First Church, Chicago.

ERIE CONFERENCE,

Held in Brookville, Pa., Sept. 9-13, 1886.

BISHOP ANDREWS, *Presiding*.

H. F. BECK, *Secretary*.

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

Lucian Clark, from Pittsburg;
S. S. Burton, from Minnesota—2.

QUEST. 2. *Who are Admitted on Trial?*

Cyrus C. Rumberger, *Samuel M. Gordon*, *Wm. P. Murray*, *Thomas J. Pratt*, *Thomas Berry*—5.

QUEST. 3. *Who Remain on Trial?*

James R. Miller, *James C. Wharton*, *Arthur C. Bowers*, *Willis K. Crosby*, *J. Palmer Burns*, *Charles H. Quick*, *Richard A. Buzza*, *John C. Gillet*, *Morris F. Laughlin*, *Frederick A. Mills*, *W. P. Arbuckle*, *Samuel M. Sartwell*, *John M. Edwards*, *Albert E. Colgrove*—14.

QUEST. 4. *Who are Discontinued?*
None.

QUEST. 5. *Who are Admitted into Full Connection?*

Thomas J. Hamilton, *Victor*

Cornuelle, *George H. Hummason*, *Solomon M. Nickle*, *Asaph B. Phillips*, *Lucien W. Showers*, *Oliver H. Nickle*, *Daniel A. Platt*, *William A. Merriam*—9.

QUEST. 6. *Who are Re-admitted?*

Bedford L. Perry, located by West Virginia Conference, 1884.

QUEST. 7. *Who are Received on Credentials from other Churches?*

Robert A. McIntyre, from United Brethren Church.

QUEST. 8. *What Traveling Preachers have been elected Deacons?*

Thomas J. Hamilton, *George H. Hummason*, *Solomon M. Nickle*, *Asaph B. Phillips*, *Oliver H. Nickle*, *Daniel A. Platt*—6.

QUEST. 9. *What Traveling Preachers have been ordained Deacons?*

Thomas J. Hamilton, *George H. Hummason*, *Solomon M. Nickle*, *Asaph B. Phillips*, *Oliver H. Nickle*, *Daniel A. Platt*—6.

QUEST. 10. *What Local Preachers have been elected Deacons?*

Wilson Rogers, *Cyrus C. Rumberger*, *Ernst A. Bell*, *Wm. C. Jason*, *Henry A. Delo*, *Willis K. Crosby*, *Levi Bird*, *Morris F. Laughlin*—8.

QUEST. 11. *What Local Preachers have been ordained Deacons?*

Wilson Rogers, *Cyrus C. Rumberger*, *Ernst A. Bell*, *Wm. C. Jason*, *Henry A. Delo*, *Willis K. Crosby*, *Levi Bird*, *Morris F. Laughlin*—8.

QUEST. 12. *Who are the Traveling Deacons of the First Class?*

Thomas J. Hamilton, *Victor Cornuelle*, *George H. Hummason*, *Solomon M. Nickle*, *Asaph B. Phillips*, *Lucien W. Showers*, *Oliver H. Nickle*, *Daniel A. Platt*, *William A. Merriam*, *Winfield S. Gearhart*, *John G. Ginader*—11.

QUEST. 13. *Who are the Traveling Deacons of the Second Class?*

Wesley W. Dale, *William E.*