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OF THE
METHODIST EPISCOPAL CHURCH,

FOR THE YEARS

1773-1828.

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1840.

Lyons Creek, *Isaac B. Smith*.
 Ancaster, *David Culp*.
 Long Point, *D. Shepardon*, T. Sovereign.
 Westminster, *George Ferguson*.
 Thames, *Jas. Jackson*, Joseph Messmore.
 St. Clair, William Griffes.
 London, Edmund Stoney.
 Dumfries, Robert Corson.
 Young-street and York, *Wm. H. Williams*,
 Joseph Atwood.
 New Settlements, Rowland Heyland.
 Grand River mission, *Alvin Torry*.
Henry Ryan, missionary to Chippeway
 and Grand River Falls, and the new desti-
 tute settlements in those parts.

BAY QUINTIE DIST. *Wm. Case*, P. Elder.
 Smith's Creek, David Brockenridge.
 Belville, *Samuel Belton*.
 Hallowell, Franklin Metcalf, Jacob Pool.
 Bay Quintie, John Ryerson, Wm. Slater.
 Augusta, *Wyatt Chamberlin*, P. Smith.
 Perth, *Ezra Healey*.
 Rideau, David Wright.
 Cornwall, Solomon Waldron.
 Attawa, George Bissell.

Quest. 15. *Where and when shall our next
 Conference be held?*

September 14, 1825, at Fifty Mile Creek,
 township of Saltfleet, Upper Canada.

GENERAL RECAPITULATION.

| | Whites. | Coloured. | Indians. | Total. |
|--|---------|-----------|----------|--------|
| Ohio Conference | 36348 | 193 | | 36541 |
| Kentucky Conference | 21562 | 3139 | | 24691 |
| Missouri Conference | 11353 | 420 | | 11773 |
| Tennessee Conference | 22527 | 2982 | | 25509 |
| Mississippi Conference | 7213 | 1796 | | 9009 |
| South Carolina Conference | 24909 | 14736 | | 39645 |
| Virginia Conference | 21134 | 6964 | | 28098 |
| Baltimore Conference | 29137 | 9179 | | 38316 |
| Philadelphia Conference | 27890 | 7920 | | 35810 |
| New-York Conference | 26929 | 376 | | 27195 |
| New-England Conference | 21398 | 227 | | 21625 |
| Genesee Conference | 24075 | 86 | | 24161 |
| Canada Conference | 6072 | 22 | 56 | 6150 |
| Total this year | 280427 | 48040 | 56 | 328523 |
| Total last year | | | | 312540 |
| Increase this year | | | | 15983 |
| Travelling preachers this year | | | 1272 | |
| last year | | | 1226 | |
| Increase this year | | | 46 | |

MINUTES OF CONFERENCES FOR 1825.

BISHOPS OF THE METHODIST EPISCOPAL CHURCH.

WILLIAM M'KENDREE,
 ENOCH GEORGE,
 ROBERT R. ROBERTS,
 JOSHUA SOULE,
 ELIJAH HEDDING.

OHIO CONFERENCE.

Quest. 1. *Who are admitted on trial?*

John Chandler, Arza Brown, Jacob
 Delay, Augustus Eddy, William C. Hen-
 derson, Homer Clark, David Dutcher, An-
 drew F. Baxter, William Runnels, Joab
 Ragan, Joseph S. Barris—11.

Quest. 2. *Who remain on trial?*

James C. Taylor, Sylvester Dunham,
 George Waddle, True Patee, John A.
 Baughman, Robert Spencer, Job Wilson,
 Thomas Beacham, Elijah Field, James
 M'Intyre, Isaac Elsbury, Robert Hopkins,

Alfred M. Lorain, Thomas Hewson, Solomon Manear—15.

Quest. 3. *Who are admitted into full connection?*

Billings O. Plympton, John Crawford, Albert G. Richardson, Jno. Janes, Jas. Rowe, Aaron Wood, Orin Gillmore, Geo. Gatch, Levi White, Nehemiah B. Griffith—10.

Quest. 4. *Who are the deacons?*

Those marked thus (*) were ordained this year.

Whitefield Hughs, Richard Brandriff, George M. Mealey, John Walker, William Tipton, Henry S. Fernandes, William H. Collins, Billings O. Plympton, * John Crawford, * Albert G. Richardson, * John Janes, * James Rowe, * Aaron Wood, * Orin Gilmore, * George Gatch, * Levi White, * N. B. Griffith*—17.

Quest. 5. *Who have been elected and ordained elders this year?*

Charles Thorn, William Simmons, Jas. Collord, Jas. Jones, Dan'l Limerick, Henry Knapp, Zarah Coston, Nathan Walker—8.

Quest. 6. *Who have located this year?*

Albert G. Richardson, Jas. Roe, Sam'l West, John Graham, Thomas M'Clary—5.

Quest. 7. *Who are the supernumerary preachers?*

Thomas S. Hitt, Michael Ellis—2.

Quest. 8. *Who are the superannuated or worn-out preachers?*

Whitefield Hughs, William Swayze, Benjamin Lawrence, Truman Bishop, Hen. Baker, Wm. Cunningham, Shadrach Ruark, Moses Crume, John C. Brook—9.

Quest. 9. *Who have been expelled from the connection this year?*

William Westlake.

Quest. 10. *Who have withdrawn from the connection this year?*

None.

Quest. 11. *Were all the preachers' characters examined?*

This was carefully done, by calling over their names before the Conference.

Quest. 12. *Who have died this year?**

Quest. 13. *What numbers are in Society?*

| Ohio District. | | Whites. Col. | |
|----------------|--------------|--------------|-----------|
| | Whites. Col. | Hartford | Deerfield |
| Erie | 339 | Beaver | 574 |
| Mercer | 558 | Newcastle | 490 |
| Grand River | 485 | | |
| Youngstown | 701 | | 3806 |

* See at the end of Minutes for this year.

| Portland District. | | Whites. Col. | |
|---------------------|------|-------------------|------|
| Hudson | 357 | Deer Creek | 1022 |
| Brunswick | 399 | Chilicothe | 194 |
| Black River | 156 | Scioto | 912 |
| Huron | 405 | Straight Creek | 673 |
| Wayne | 425 | Brush Creek | 828 |
| Canton | 321 | Burlington | 345 |
| Mansfield | 785 | Letart | 500 |
| Knox | 595 | Salt Creek | 367 |
| | 3443 | | 5715 |
| Lancaster District. | | Lebanon District. | |
| Fairfield | 1115 | Lebanon sta. | 160 |
| Hockhocking | 335 | Paint Creek | 686 |
| Muskingum | 775 | London | 595 |
| Zanesville cir. | 578 | Mad River | 1409 |
| Zanesville station | 185 | Piqua | 1200 |
| Granville | 617 | Union | 1060 |
| Columbus | 1043 | Milford | 1183 |
| Delaware | 308 | White Oak | 1121 |
| Athens | 780 | Wilmington | 777 |
| | 5736 | | 8191 |
| Muskingum District. | | Miami District. | |
| Steubenville | 255 | Cincinnati | 750 |
| Cross Creek | 949 | Miami | 792 |
| West Wheeling | 800 | Hamilton and | |
| Barnesville | 1090 | Rossville | 92 |
| Munroe | 540 | Oxford | 807 |
| Duck Creek | 509 | Greenville | 467 |
| Marietta | 375 | White Water | 878 |
| Tuscarawas | 400 | Lawrenceburg | 717 |
| | 4918 | Madison | 895 |
| | | Connersville | 404 |
| | | Detroit | 242 |
| | | Wyandot | |
| | | mission | 200 |
| | | | 6244 |
| | | | 52 |

RECAPITULATION.

| | Whites. | Col. |
|------------------------------|---------|---------|
| Members in society this year | 38153 | 86* |
| last year | 36541 | 179 |
| Increase this year | 1612 | 93 Dec. |

Travelling preachers this year 110

Quest. 14. *Where are the preachers stationed this year?*

Martin Ruter, book agent, Cincinnati.

MIAMI DIST. John Collins, P. Elder.

Cincinnati, Wm. H. Raper, John P. Durbin.

Miami, John P. Taylor, Augustus Eddy.

Oxford, Daniel D. Davidson, John Baughman.

White Oak, George W. Mealey, John Everhart.

Milford, William J. Thompson, Robert Spencer.

Union, Russel Bigelow, Burroughs Westlake, T. Beacham.

Piqua, Arthur W. Elliott, Richard Brandriff.

Greenville, Isaac Elebury.

* A part of the coloured, through mistake, are included among the whites in the Cincinnati edition.

- SANDUSKY DIST.** *J. B. Finley, P. Elder,* and superintendent of the Wyandot mission.
 Belfountain, *Levi White.*
 Mad River, *James T. Wells, Geo. Gatch.*
 London, *Robert W. Finley.*
 Delaware, *Jacob Dixon.*
 Wyandot mis., *Jas. B. Finley, Jacob Hooper.*
 Detroit, *Elias Pattee, Isaac C. Hunter.*
- SCIOTO DIST.** *Greenbury R. Jones,*
P. Elder.
 Straight Creek, *Wm. Page, Wm. Runnels.*
 Brush Creek, *William Simmons, Alfred M. Lorain.*
 Scioto, *Andrew S. M'Clean, John Janes.*
 Chilicothe, *John F. Wright.*
 Deer Creek, *Jas. Collord, Nathan Walker.*
 Paint Creek, *Andrew F. Baxter.*
 Pickaway, *Zacariah Connel, Michael Ellis, sup.*
 Salt Creek, *Jacob Delay.*
 Wilmington, *John Sale.*
- LANCASTER DIST.** *Jacob Young, P. Elder.*
 Athens, *Curtis Goddard, David Dutcher.*
 Hockhocking, *James Gilruth.*
 Fairfield, *Charles Waddle, Homer Clark.*
 Muskingum, *Cornelius Springer.*
 Zanesville station, *James Quinn.*
 Zanesville circuit, *Edward Taylor, Ezra Brown.*
 Granville, *Sam'l Hamilton, Zarah Coston.*
 Columbus, *Leroy Swormstedt, Joseph Carper.*
- PORTLAND DIST.** *James M'Mahon,*
P. Elder.
 Knox, *John Crawford.*
 Mansfield, *Abner Goff, Jas. T. Donahoo.*
 Wayne, *James Murray, Solomon Manear.*
 Huron, *True Patee, James M'Intyre.*
 Black River, *James Taylor.*
 Sandusky, *Elijah H. Field.*
 Brunswick, *Orin Gilmore, Joab Ragan.*
- WEST WHEELING DIST.** *William Lamdin,*
P. Elder.
 Barnesville, *Jno. M'Mahon, Jno. Chandler.*
- West Wheeling, *John Waterman, William Knox.*
 Cross Creek, *Archibald M'Elroy, George Waddle.*
 Steubenville, *William Stephens.*
 Tuscarawas, *William Tipton.*
 Duck Creek, *Thomas R. Ruckle.*
 Monroe, *Isaac Reynolds.*
 Middle Island, *Abraham Lippit.*
 Pittsburg, *Henry B. Bascom.*
 Little Kenhawa, *Samuel Brockunier.*
- OHIO DIST.** *Charles Elliott, P. Elder.*
 Newcastle, *Henry Knapp, Joseph S. Barris.*
 Beaver, *Samuel Adams, Robert Hopkins.*
 Youngstown, *John Summerville, Alfred Brunson.*
 Hartford, *Thomas Carr.*
 Deerfield, *Ira Eddy, Billings O. Plympton.*
 Hudson, *Philip Green, William C. Henderson.*
 Canton, *Dennis Goddard.*
 Grand River, *David Sharp, Sylvester Dunham.*
 Erie, *John P. Kent.*
 Mercer, *Charles Thorn, Job Wilson.*
- KENHAWA DIST.** *John Brown, P. Elder.*
 Letart Falls, *Francis Wilson.*
 Burlington, *John Walker.*
 Guyandotte, *William H. Collins.*
 Big Kenhawa, *James Smith.*
 Charleston, *John H. Power.*
 Nicholas, *John W. Kenney.*
 Logan, *Henry S. Fernandes.*
 Marietta, *Dan'l Limmerick, John Stewart.*
Henry B. Bascom, transferred to the Pittsburg Conference, and stationed at Pittsburg.
- Quest. 15. *Where and when shall our next Conference be held?*
 Ohio Conference at Columbus, October 12, 1825.
 Pittsburg Conference at Pittsburg, September 15, 1825.

KENTUCKY CONFERENCE.

- Quest. 1. *Who are admitted on trial?*
 John St. Clair, Joseph Carter, William Artherton, Fountain Pitts, Benj. Ogden, John M. S. Smith, William Crane, Caleb Taylor, William Askins, John Watts, Thomas Reece, Nathaniel Parker, Geo. W. Sheaves—13.
- Quest. 2. *Who remain on trial?*
 William M'Commas, Nelson Dills, David Wright, Clement Clifton, Newton G. Berryman, George Richardson, Richard Dungan, Thompson Holliman, Daniel Black, H. H. Kavanaugh, John S. Barger, Abram Long—12.
- Quest. 3. *Who are admitted into full connection?*
 Edwin Ray, James P. Milligan, John Jones, Henry W. Hunt, George Stephens,