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OF THE

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CENTRAL ILLINOIS CONFERENCE,

Held in Pekin, September 20-26, 1876.

BISHOP WILEY, *Presiding.*

J. G. EVANS, *Secretary.*

QUEST. 1. Have any Entered this Conference by Transfer or Re-admission?

By transfer: *D. S. Sorlin*, from New York; *J. J. Walter*, from South Kansas; *G. W. Brown*, from Troy. By re-admission: *J. A. H. Wilson*—4.

QUEST. 2. Who are Admitted on Trial?

Oscar J. Stead, *Peter J. Berg*, *John B. Anderson*, *James T. Wigren*, *Wm. Henschen*, *Charles B. Ward*, *Thomas J. Fowler*, *Charles W. Green*, *M'Kendree Stahl*, *John Rugh*, *Stephen P. James*, *Joseph S. M'Cord*, *Jas. W. M'Cord*, *Henry Metcalf*, *Wm. R. Phillip*, *Winslow Evans*, *Samuel Van Pelt*, *Frank H. Cummings*, *Jacob A. Souders*, *Gabriel W. Abbott*—20.

QUEST. 3. Who Remain on Trial?

Oscar J. Swan, *Wm. T. Lewis*, *Hiram S. Humes*, *George F. Meredith*, *David S. Elliott*, *Newton G. Clark*, *John Bjurstrom*—7.

QUEST. 4. Who are Admitted into full Connection?

William H. Campbell, *Elias B. England*, *Benjamin W. Baker*, *John O. Nelson*, *Chas. N. Wennersten*, *Wm. O. Norval*, *Chas. H. St. John*, *Moses P. Porter*, *Marion V. Crumbaker*, *David G. Stouffer*, *Edmund J. Vivian*—11.

QUEST. 5. Who are the Deacons of the First Class?

William H. Campbell, *Elias B. England*, *Benjamin W. Baker*, *John O. Nelson*, *Chas. N. Wennersten*, *Wm. O. Norval*, *Chas. H. St. John*, *Moses P. Porter*, *Marion V. Crumbaker*, *David G. Stouffer*, *Edmund J. Vivian*, *Wm. Merriam*, *Jacob M. Murphy*—13.

QUEST. 6. Who are the Deacons of the Second Class?

William W. Wells, *Charles O. M'Culloch*, *Henry Brink*, *Joseph F. James*, *William Wooley*, *John Rogers*, *John D. Calhoun*, *Henry W. Eklund*, *Charles M. Sherman*, *John A. Gabrielson*—10.

QUEST. 7. Who have been Elected and Ordained Elders this year?

Parmenis Smith, *Thomas M. Durham*, *Ulric Z. Gilmer*, *Ebeneser G. Woodward*, *William R. Blackwell*, *Clement E. Rowe*, *William H. Hitchcock*, *William H. Flint*, *Mortimer H. Shepard*—9.

QUEST. 8. Who are the Supernumerary Preachers?

O. W. Pollard, *J. Tubbs*, *P. Newberg*, *H. Ritchie*, *J. N. Deach*, *E. Ransom*, *J. E. Rutledge*, *J. M. Murphy*—8.

QUEST. 9. Who are the Superannuated Preachers?

J. H. Scott, *A. H. Hepperley*, *J. S. Kirkpatrick*, *J. B. Mills*, *A. Ericsson*, *H. Summers*, *J. F. Berkholder*, *J. Morey*, *W. C. Cumming*, *J. Grundy*, *Z. Hall*, *H. H. Crozier*, *W. M'K. Clarke*, *G. C. Woodruff*, *W. J. Smith*, *W. Haney*, *J. W. Odell*, *U. J. Giddings*, *A. A. Reger*, *A. Magee*, *J. Luccock*, *S. R. Deach*—22.

QUEST. 10. Was the Character of each Preacher Examined?

This was strictly attended to.

QUEST. 11. Have any Located?

W. H. Campbell, *S. W. Brown*, *A. Walgren*, *L. B. Kent*, *A. D. Moore*, *W. O. Norval*, *A. E. Day*—7.

QUEST. 12. Have any Withdrawn?

O. Jenne, *W. E. Williamson*, *R. L. Jamison*—3.

QUEST. 13. Have any been Transferred, and to what Conference?

Henry C. King, to Colorado; *E. Shogren*, to California; *Chas. B. Ward*, to India. The following to Sweden Conference: *B. A. Carlsson*, *J. P. Larsson*, *A. H. Berg*, *G. Fredengren*, *F. O. B. Wailen*, *N. M. Liljegren*, *J. Kihlstrom*, *D. S. Sorlin*, *C. Wallenius*, *S. Hansson*, *A. Palm*, *C. A. Stenholm*, *C. J. Johansson*, *T. Larsson*, *J. Hellberg*, *E. Nilsson*, *N. Sandell*, *J. M. Ericsson*, *J. Roth*, *A. J. Gustafsson*, *J. Pedersen*, *C. H. Elmstrom*, *F. Ahgren*, *C. Lindskog*, *A. Wallen*, *J. Nilsson*, *J. P. Danielson*, *J. Th. Kjellstrand*. Not yet admitted into full connection: *F. U. Liljegren*, *C. Englund*, *I. G. Finerus*, *C. R. Hertvig*, *C. Carlsson*, *F. W. Habne*, *P. G. Bergdahl*, *C. J. Johanson*, *Jun.*, *P. A. Julin*, *F. G. Holmgren*, *R. Cederberg*, *C. W. Henriksson*, *A. F. Hagstrom*, *Carl A. Jansen*, *Andrus Anderson*, *Peter G. Soderlund*, *Carl Ljungren*, *Lars G. Berglund*, *Carl O. Ljungdahl*, *Anders Johasen*, *Franz J. Svenborg*, *Matthew Elandor*—53.

QUEST. 14. Have any been Expelled?

None.

QUEST. 15. Have any Died?

B. O. Manning, *Wm. Lelber*—2.*

QUEST. 16. What is the Statistical Report?

(For Statistical Tables, see p. 308.)

QUEST. 17. What are the Claims upon the Conference Fund?

\$5,625.

QUEST. 18. What has been collected on the foregoing Claims, and how has it been applied?

\$1,945 64,

which was distributed among the claimants.

QUEST. 22. Where are the Preachers Stationed?

PEORIA DISTRICT.

C. SPRINGER, P.E.

Peoria: First Church, *A. R. Morgan*.

Hale Chapel, *W. C. Ayling*.
Madison-st., *G. F. Meredith*.
Smithville, *W. M. Sedora*, *T. J. Fowler*.

Kickapoo, *T. J. Wood*.
Princeville, *W. B. Carthers*.

Brimfield, *Frank Smith*.
Elmwood, *J. Ferguson*.
Yates City, *E. J. Vivian*.
Trivoli, *G. J. Luckey*.

Farmington, *G. W. Brown*.
Canton, *P. Warner*.
Canton Circuit, to be supplied.
Fairview, *C. W. Green*.

Cuba, *A. Morey*.
Lewiston, *P. A. Cool*.
Lewiston Circuit, *J. A. Windsor*.
Ipsavia, *T. L. Faulkner*.
Chillicothe and Rome, *M. Stahl*.

MACOMB DISTRICT.

B. E. KAUFMAN, P.E.

Macomb, *M. A. Head*.
Macomb Circuit, *T. Head*.
Bardolph, *J. E. Taylor*, *J. Kugh*.
Bushnell, *B. F. Tallman*.
Prairie City and Virgil, *A. S. Atherton*.

Avon, *A. C. Calkins*.
Pleasant Mound, *S. P. James*.
Blandinville, *G. B. Svediker*, *W. B. Alexander*.

Smithfield, *W. T. Lewis*.
Pennington's Point, *J. S. Buda*.
Vermont, *L. Springer*.
Colchester, *T. Henry*.

Hamilton and Elvaston, *J. Borland*.
Burnside, *G. I. Bailey*.
Bentley, *T. J. Pearson*.
Carthage, *W. D. H. Young*.

La Harpe, *C. H. St. John*.
Dallas City, *W. H. Hitchcock*.
Terre Haute, *G. W. Burns*.
Ellison, *P. S. Garretson*.

* See page 367.

MONMOUTH DISTRICT.

J. S. CUMMING, P.E.
 Monmouth, *J. D. Smith*.
 Cameron, *J. W. Cos.*
 Abingdon, *G. M. Irwin*.
 Herman, *A. J. Jones*.
 Galesburgh, *G. W. Brown*, No. 2.
 Knoxville, *D. Ayres*.
 Gilson, *F. R. Boggess*.
 Summit, *C. W. Swartz*.
 French Creek, *H. Brink*.
 Wataga, *A. Keller*.
 Oneida, *L. B. Dennis*.
 North Henderson, *W. Matheny*.
 Alexis, *C. E. Rowe*.
 Berwick, *C. B. Couch*.
 Roseville, *N. T. Allen*.
 Kirkwood, *C. H. Brace*.
 Biggsville, *D. S. Main*.
 Olena, *W. Merriam*.
 Oquawka, *D. M. Hill*.
 Keithsburg, *J. Smith*.
 Sunbeam, *N. G. Clark*.
J. G. Evans, President, *W. C. Knapp* and *C. C. Knowlton*, Professors, and *R. A. Cowen*, Agent of Hedding College—members of Abingdon Quarterly Conference.

ROCK ISLAND DISTRICT.

F. M. CHAFFEE, P.E.
 Rock Island: First Church, *H. M. Lancy*.
 Ninth-street, *J. Hart*.
 Moline, *J. W. Haney*.
 Port Byron, *J. S. M'Cord*.
 Rock River Valley, *J. Q. Adams*.
 Hampton, *C. M. Sherman*.
 Cleveland, to be supplied.
 Rock River Circuit, to be supplied.
 Geneseo, *G. W. Arnold*.
 Cambridge, *G. M. Morey*.
 Orion and Osco, *E. N. Bentley*.
 Woodhull, *M. C. Bowlin*.
 New Windsor, *G. W. Miller*.
 Aledo, *W. M. Collins*.
 Millersburgh, *J. J. Walker*.
 New Boston, *T. Watson*.
 Illinois City, *J. F. James*.
 Andalusia, *P. Smith*.
 Pre-Emption, *C. Atherton*.
 Milan, *J. Collins*.
 Milan Circuit, to be supplied.
U. Z. Gilmer, Professor in Hedding College—member of Milan Quarterly Conference.

KEWANEE DISTRICT.

W. H. HUNTER, P.E.
 Kewanee, *M. Spurlock*.
 Ulah, *Henry Metcalf*.
 Atkinson, *J. W. Otterman*.
 Annawan, to be supplied.
 Galva, *B. C. Dennis*.
 Altona, *A. K. Tullis*.
 Victoria, *P. A. Crist*.
 Lafayette and Saxon, *J. Mathews*.
 Elmira, to be supplied.
 West Jersey, *D. G. Stouffer*.

Toulon, *W. Watson*.
 Wyoming, *L. James*.
 Bradford, *H. C. Birch*.
 Neponset, *J. J. Fleharty*.
 Buda, *M. V. B. White*.
 Sheffield, *A. Bester*.
 Tiskilwa, *W. Wooley*.
 Snatchwine, *J. W. M'Coerd*.
 Whitefield, *R. N. Morse*.
 Henry, *E. C. Wayman*.
 Sparland, *N. C. Lewis*.
 Lawn Ridge, *H. S. Humea*.
 La Prairie Center, *D. T. Wulson*.

WENONA DISTRICT.

R. HANEY, P.E.
 Wenona, *T. R. M'Nair*.
 Wenona Circuit, *E. B. England*.
 Tonica, *R. D. Russell*.
 Magnolia, *J. B. Smith*.
 Hennepin, *W. A. Cumming*.
 Lacon, *S. Brink*.
 Phelps Chapel and Varna, *J. W. Denning*.
 Belle Plain and La Rose, *W. W. Wells*.
 Washburn, *B. V. Denning*.
 Minonk, *A. C. Price*.
 Reading and Rutland, *M. V. Crumbaker*.
 Streator, *G. W. Gue*.
 Cornell and Newtown, *M. P. Porter*.
 Odell, *W. P. Graves*.
 Nevada, *W. R. Philip*.
 Dwight, *M. F. Haxermale*.
 Gardiner, *A. Bower*.
 Bradewood, *J. Rogers*.
 Mazon, *W. Evans*.
 Ransom and Varona, *H. Tiffany*.
 Grand Ridge, *M. H. Shepard*.
 Zion and Wauponsee, *T. M. Durham*.

ONARGO DISTRICT.

R. G. PRABCE, P.E.
 Onargo, *H. X. Brown*.
 Buckley and Loda, *A. Fisher*.
 Ash Grove, to be supplied.
 Milford, *S. S. Gruber*.
 Gillman, *C. O. M'Cullock*.
 Ashkum and Clifton, *S. Van Pelt*.
 Crescent, *W. R. Blackwell*.
 Watscka, *B. W. Baker*.
 Sheldon, *C. David*.
 Iroquois, *J. D. Calhoun*.
 Chebanse, *S. P. Alford*.
 Waldron, to be supplied.
 Fairbury, *R. B. Williams*.
 Potosi, *J. H. Sanders*.
 Forrest, *M. C. Eiquus*.
 Chatsworth, *S. Wood*.
 Piper City, *W. H. Flint*.
 Roberts, *Frank H. Cummings*.
 Avoca, *W. Underwood*.
 Pontiac, *E. P. Hull*.
 Sauemin, *E. G. Woodward*.
 Eldridgeville, to be supplied.
J. P. Forayth, Agent of Grand Prairie Seminary—member of Onarga Quarterly Conference.

NORMAL DISTRICT.

G. R. PALMER, P.E.
 Normal, *D. H. Gray*.
 Union and Towanda, *J. A. Souders*.
 Lexington, *J. Wilkinson*.
 Pleasant Hill, *W. E. Stevens*.
 Chenoa, *B. Applebee*.
 Rook's Creek, *J. L. Ferris*.
 Gridley, *J. Kern*.
 El Paso, *J. S. Millsap*.
 Secor, *L. V. Webber*.
 Washington, *G. W. Martin*.
 Metamora and Eureka, *S. G. J. Worthington*.
 Pekin, *E. Wasmuth*.
 Hudson and White Oak, *J. G. Blair*.
 Danvers and Mackinaw, *J. P. Brooks*.
 Spring Lake, *G. W. Abbott*.
 Deer Creek, *J. A. H. Wilson*.
 Groveland, *D. S. Elliott*.
 Dillon, to be supplied.
J. B. Dille, Agent Illinois Wesleyan University—member of Normal Quarterly Conference.

IOWA SWEDISH DISTRICT.

J. LINN, P.E.
 Des Moines, *P. J. Berg*.
 Burlington, *J. O. Nelson*.
 Keokuk and Melrose, *J. A. Gabrielson*.
 New Sweden, *O. J. Swan*.
 Sheldahl and Boone, to be supplied.
 Belinda, to be supplied.
 West Dayton, *J. Iverson*.
 Swede Bend, *A. G. Engstrom*.
 Clay Center and Randolph, *J. B. Anderson*.
 Landsburgh, *C. N. Wennersten*.
 Sutton, *J. Bjurstrom*.

ILLINOIS SWEDISH DIST.

A. J. ANDERSON, P.E.
 Chicago: Market-st., *V. Witting*.
 May-st., *D. S. Sorlin*.
 South Chapel, to be supplied.
 Evanston, to be supplied.
 Geneva and Batavia, *N. O. Westergren*.
 Donovan and Yorktown, *J. T. Wigren*.
 Rockford, *J. Wigren*.
 Lake Superior, *O. J. Stead*.
 Galesburgh, *A. Anderson*.
 Galva and Kewanee, to be supplied.
 Bishop Hill, *J. E. Berggren*.
 Moline and Geneseo, *H. W. Ek-lund*.
 Andover, *J. H. Ekstrand*.
 Swedonia, *N. T. Westergren*.
 Wataga and Peoria, *S. B. Newman*.
 Victoria, *H. Olson*.
 Wm. Henschen, Editor of Sandobudet—member of Evanston Quarterly Conference.

QUEST. 28. *Where and when shall the next Conference be held?*
 At Macomb. Time not given.