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NORTH TEXAS CONFERENCE

FIRST DAY.

WEDNESDAY, Nov. 15.

The sixteenth session of the North Texas Annual Conference of the M. E. Church, South, met in the Methodist Church in Galveston, Texas, the first day's session being opened at 9 a. m., by Bishop Parker. The bishop read chapter v. of I. Peter, and hymn 272, which was sung; and offered prayer.

H. A. Bourland, secretary of the fifteenth conference, called the roll, 69 clerical members and 13 lay delegates answering.

H. A. Bourland was elected secretary; J. S. Smith, J. W. Fulton, Sam R. Hamilton and H. J. Harris, assistants.

The hour of conference meeting was fixed at 9 a. m., adjournment at 1 p. m.

The bar of the conference was fixed. The presiding elders were constituted a committee to appoint the boards and committees required by the discipline and the conference. J. C. Weaver was added to this committee, instead of Presiding Elder L. B. Ellis, absent.

W. F. Easterling, presiding elder of Gainesville district; P. C. Archer, preacher in charge of the station; and Mr. Eldridge, layman, were made a Committee on Public Worship.

Jno. R. Allen delivered to the conference affectionate greetings from L. B. Ellis, detained by severe sickness from attendance. His message illustrated the faith of a worker satisfied to go to his reward at the Master's call. He feels himself to be near death's demands, and sent a request that if called during the session of conference, some of his brethren should be sent to preach his funeral.

A communication from J. B. McFerrin, book agent, was read and referred to the proper committee.

A communication from Marshall district conference (East Texas), touching the public school question, was read and referred, being the same mentioned in these columns as presented to the Northwest and West Texas Conferences.

Communications from the Board of Trustees and the Board of Curators, of Southwestern University, were read and referred to the Board of Education.

Question 6 was called, "Who are received by transfer from other conferences?" Bishop Parker announced the following: J. W. Atkinson, from Pacific Conference; R. T. McBride, Tennessee Conference; H. S. P. Ashby, W. J. Bludworth and John T. Bludworth, Northwest Texas Conference; W. L. Clifton, North Alabama Conference; James A. Stafford, East Texas Conference.

Question 20 was called, "Are all the preachers blameless in life and official administration?" The characters of the following brethren were passed and their applications for the superannuated relation referred to the committee on Conference Relations: J. W. Fields, W. P. Reed, C. J. Cock, J. B. Rabb, James Graham, John Beverly, George S. Gatewood, John B. Smith, L. B. Ellis.

There being complaints against J. C. Randle, his case was referred to a committee.

Andrew Cummings' name was called, and it was announced that he had died since the last conference.

The characters of C. E. Lamb and J. H. Reynolds were passed.

The characters of the following brethren were passed, and their applications for the superannuated relation were referred to the Committee on Conference Relations: S. Armstrong, A. H. Brewer, W. K. Duff, W. E. Bates, J. E. Walker and R. G. Rainey.

Dr. D. C. Kelley, J. W. Atkinson, J. T. Bludworth and W. J. Bludworth were introduced to the conference.

E. W. Alderson's name was called, and there being complaints against him, his case was referred to a committee.

The bishop announced the following committees of investigation: On the case of E. W. Alderson—S. J. Hawkins, W. H. Hughes, O. P. Thomas. On the case of J. C. Randall—Thos. E. Sherwood, D. F. Fuller, W. W. Horner.

Question 4 was called, "Who are admitted into full connection?" The following brethren were recommended by the Committee of the Second Year, and their characters passed: W. H. Stevenson, F. M. Sherwood, L. L. Pickett, F. O. Miller, W. L. Griffith, James A. Stafford, Wm. A. Coppedge, C. A. Emmons.

Question 1 was called, "Who are admitted on trial?" The following applicants, indorsed by the committee, were admitted: Francis V. Evans, recommended by the quarterly conference of Texarkana station, Jefferson district; Walker K. Piner, recommended by the quarterly conference of Honey Grove station, Paris district; Perry M. Cozby, recommended by the quarterly conference of Ladonia circuit; C. C. Williams, recommended by the quarterly conference of the Rosalie circuit, Paris district; S. A. Ashburn, recommended by the quarterly conference of Grapevine circuit, Dallas district; Hamil C. Rogers, recommended by the quarterly conference of Farmersville circuit, Terrell district; O. S. Thomas, recommended by the quarterly conference of Scyene circuit, Terrell district; Jacob B. Minnis, recommended by the quarterly conference of the Scyene circuit, Terrell district.

The following applicants were not admitted: Joseph B. Whittenburg, recommended by the quarterly conference of Honey Grove circuit, Paris district; Daniel H. Slaton, recommended by the quarterly conference of Lamar Street station, Dallas district, approved by the examining committee.

The Committee of Examination on the studies of the third year was relieved, and substituted by the following appointments: J. H. McLean, vice W. F. Easterling; H. J. Harris, vice M. H. Neely; W. G. Connor, vice M. H. Cullum.

Notices being given, the conference adjourned with the benediction by Bishop Parker.

MEMORANDA.

Bro. Archer and his coworkers were systematic in their arrangements for entertainment of the conference. Your reporter noted the first evidence of this fact when he met Bro. Reynolds at the residence of Bro. J. M. Binkley, Sherman. (Your reporter, his wife, and quite a number of other preachers were here treated by Sister Binkley to a splendid dinner; the dinner was, in fact, so good that it required a threat of train-time to make the company depart.) But to the evidence: Bro. Reynolds distributed among conference delegates, members and visitors a neatly printed directory by means of which the "home" of each was easily learned. The train reached Gainesville after dark, but carriages, "busses, etc., were in waiting, and each arrival had merely to direct his driver to name of residence and street, and the "agony" was over. Most of the conference arrived in two passenger coaches in which scarcely additional "standing room" remained Tuesday night—and yet Bro. Archer "stowed 'em away" in time to attend church service. (Item: Conference entertainers may cut this out and paste it in their hats.)

Your reporter would say the North Texas Conference is "the finest looking body of men in the State"—he might have said the same thing, too, of the West and Northwest Conferences were it not that this expression has grown monotonous. Almost every convention, secular or religious, is now-a-days reported as the "finest looking body of men in the State." It would help some if they would say "a looking body of the finest men," or "the finest body of looking men," but they won't do it. Monotony is popular. But the North Texas stands in the forefront among conferences.

Rev. I. S. Ashburn preached Tuesday night.

Dr. Kelley preached Wednesday night. He offered a masterly argument for the divinity of Christ—satisfactory and unanswerable from a rational and logical standpoint. He is almost under pledge to your reporter to give it to the Advocate in a series of articles, or in the form of sermon.

SECOND DAY.

THURSDAY, Nov. 16.

The bishop called to order at the usual hour.

Religious service by W. H. Moss. Minutes of the 15th read and approved.

Eleven clerical members and twelve lay delegates not present at roll-call on the first day answered to their names.

Question 6 was resumed, and J. B. Landreth, from the Southwest Missouri Conference, was announced as a transfer, and introduced to the conference.

A motion carried to dispense with roll-call at ensuing sessions.

The Committee on Nominations made report of committees nominated, as follows, which was adopted:

Committee on Memoirs—T. E. Sherwood, R. R. Nelson, J. L. Angell.

District Conference Records—J. W. Lively, F. E. Yoacum, J. A. Wyatt.

Conference Relations—W. H. Hughes, D. M. Proctor, A. C. McDougal, T. B. Norwood, J. F. Sherwood, S. W. Jones, F. A. Rossler.

Books and Periodicals—I. S. Ashburn, R. J. Deets, T. J. Milan, J. W. Horn, J. W. Allen, N. Wilson, W. R. Holland, W. W. Horner.

Temperance—J. W. Hill, C. I. McWhirter, T. R. Willis.

Bible Course—W. H. Moss, R. N. Brown, W. S. Posey, Z. Parker.

Sunday-school Board—W. D. Mountcastle, J. M. Dunn, H. J. Harris, Young Burgher, D. J. Martin, Dr. J. L. Leslie, S. Crutchfield, W. J. Stone, M. W. Shearer, F. Kemp, W. S. May, Wm. Allen, S. C. Riddle, Wm. H. Atherton, W. L. Griffith, J. A. Weaver.

Board of Education—J. S. Smith, D. F. Fuller, Jno. R. Allen, I. N. Onins, P. C. Archer, S. J. Hawkins, W. M. Robbins, H. A. Bourland, J. W. Fulton, W. R. Balthrop, C. C. Bell, Wm. Allen, C. Cron, W. G. Connor, J. H. McLean.

Board of Church Extension—O. P. Thomas, W. F. Clark, W. A. Shook, L. M. White, Wm. Hay, L. P. Smith, Asa Holt, E. C. DeJernett, W. H. Graham, A. J. Worley, J. W. Chalk, F. C. Pierson, T. R. Pierce.

Question 4 was resumed: W. H. Stevenson, James A. Stafford, W. A. Coppedge, F. M. Sherwood, C. A. Emmons, W. L. Griffith, L. L. Pickett, and F. O. Miller were called forward, impressively and forcibly addressed by Bishop Parker, and, having answered in a satisfactory manner the disciplinary questions propounded, were admitted into full connection.

Dr. Kelley opened in a well-timed and eloquent address the services of missionary day—this being the "order of the day" for 10 a. m. At the close of Dr. Kelley's address John R. Allen moved that the collections for foreign missions be raised in all the charges prior to February 1, 1883, and forwarded to the treasurer. Unanimously adopted.

Question 20 was called, "Are all the preachers blameless in life and official administration?" The characters of M. H. Cullum and Z. Parker were passed and their applications for superannuated relation were referred to the proper committee.

Question 1 was called, "Who are admitted on trial?" Isaac W. Clark, recommended by the quarterly conference of Honey Grove Station, Paris district, and having passed the examining committee, was admitted.

A communication from Rev. David Morton, Secretary of the Parent Board, was referred to the Board of Church Extension.

A communication from President Smith, of Dallas Female College, relative to the interest of that important church enterprise, was referred to the Board of Education.

Question 12 was called, "What traveling preachers are elected elders?" J. W. Lively, C. B. Fladger, E. S. Williams, and J. H. Shaw were recommended by the committee, their characters were passed, and they were elected to the class of fourth year.

Question 3 was called, "Who are discontinued?" D. D. Duncan's character passed, and he was discontinued at his own request.

Question 7 was called, "Who are deacons of one year?" E. C. DeJernett, J. W. Blackburn, J. W. Horn, R. S. Gorsline, Samuel C. Riddle, J. A. Wyatt and C. I. McWhirter were recommended by the committee, their characters passed, and they were advanced to the class of the fourth year.

J. T. Stanley's character passed. As he had not been before the committee, he was continued in the class of the third year.

H. A. Bourland pronounced the benediction, and the conference adjourned.

T. R. Pierce preached at night. Your reporter was impressed by "Uncle Jimmie Graham" with the fitness of things in the appointment of preachers. "What do I owe on the Advocate," said Bro. G. "You see," he continued, "I was so afflicted at the last conference by being put upon the superannuated list, I forgot almost everything. I felt like it was just and heartless in them to do it, and I almost broke my heart, and I just couldn't think about other things. Maybe I didn't then pay up my Advocate account." Investigation showed his last year's account had been paid; the other matter had caused him to forget it—that's all. "Well, Bro. Graham," said the scribe, "how do you now feel about their treatment of you?" "Ah, brother, all right! My brethren knew what was best for me and the church. If they had given me work, I couldn't have held out, I'm afraid. Yes, it's all right now."

Said a lay delegate to your representative: "Under your conference memoranda, hit some of these fellows a rap about their lack of good church manners. I saw one with his feet (against the stove) elevated several degrees above his head." The brother had turned himself into an acute angle, in fact, in his effort to get warm. Others were noted sporting tobacco juice

promiscuously inside the church—the mortification of the resident ladies especially, who have a pride in the neatness of their beautiful little church; while some were smoking old pipes only a little more offensive than the two-for-a-nickle cigars puffed by others. But these are delicate matters about which an unsophisticated scribbler had better be silent.

THIRD DAY.

FRIDAY, Nov. 17.

The bishop's gavel brought the conference to order pursuant to adjournment.

T. R. Pierce conducted religious exercises. Minutes of the 16th approved.

A communication from Dr. I. G. John, editor of the TEXAS CHRISTIAN ADVOCATE, was read, and referred to Committee on Books and Periodicals.

A communication from the trustees of North Texas Female College, of Sherman, was read and referred to the Board of Education.

A memorial from the Sulphur Springs District Conference, asking that recording stewards be constituted members of the district conference, was received and laid on the table for future consideration.

The committee of investigation in the case of E. W. Alderson reported a trial necessary, and submitted an indictment against him, together with the appointment of S. J. Hawkins as prosecutor on the part of the church.

The following committee of trial was announced by the bishop: J. H. McLean, president; C. B. Fladger, F. A. Rossler, J. H. White, J. T. Stanley, S. W. Jones, I. S. Ashburn, W. A. Shook, C. I. McWhirter and J. A. Stafford.

Question 20 resumed, the character of E. M. Sweet was passed, and his application for superannuated relation referred.

The name of W. F. Easterling was called, and there being complaints against him, he asked for a committee of investigation, which the bishop appointed as follows: J. L. Angell, W. H. Moss, W. L. Clifton.

Rev. G. W. Snyder, local preacher, had been expelled from the church and ministry by the quarterly conference of Kaufman circuit, Terrell district, and he appealed to this conference, alleging insufficiency of evidence to support the charge upon which he was convicted. W. G. Connor and J. McDougal represented the quarterly conference. The appeal was entertained, and the following committee on the case appointed: W. H. Moss, chairman; L. L. Pickett, F. O. Miller, T. J. Milan, W. D. Monteale, A. C. McDougal, J. H. Reynolds, D. J. Martin.

This conference owes a balance of unpaid expense of Rev. J. M. Langston to the Southwestern University. The matter was referred to the Board of Education.

The Board of church extension made report No. 1, embodying constitution, etc., of the Conference Board; also a resolution for a public meeting in this interest at night, of Friday.

Application for restoration of credentials to Lemuel G. Watkins, formerly a local deacon, was presented from the quarterly conference of Denton station, Sherman district, and granted.

Question 5 was called, "Who are readmitted?" W. R. Davis, local elder, was recommended by the quarterly conference of Riley Springs circuit, Sulphur Springs district, and he was readmitted.

Question 10 was called, "What local preachers are elected deacons?" The following were elected: James J. Richardson, recommended by the quarterly conference of Denton, Gainesville district; Tilden R. Gossett, recommended by the quarterly conference of Gainesville circuit, Gainesville district; W. A. Smith, recommended by the quarterly conference of Gainesville station, Gainesville district; Chas. W. Roberts, recommended by the quarterly conference of Scyene circuit, Terrell district.

Question 8 was called, "What traveling preachers are elected deacons?" H. P. Shesser, having preached three years as a local preacher and one year as a itinerant, was elected deacon.

Question 12 was called, "What traveling preachers are elected elders?" N. A. Keen was recommended by the Committee of Fourth Year, his character passed, and he was elected to elders' orders.

Question 14 was called, "What local preachers are elected elders?" was called. The recommendation of Isaac W. Clark, from Honey Grove station, Paris district, accompanied by a note certifying belief in the doctrines and discipline of our church, was presented, and he was elected.

Question 20 was resumed, and characters passed as follows: R. Lane, W. D. Mountcastle, J. F. Sherwood, D. F. Fuller, W. W. Horner, T. J. Milan, A. J. Worley, W. D. Shea, J. R. Allen, J. F. Corbin, W. H. Moss, H. J. Harris, W. A. Shook, J. C. Weaver, R. G. Rainey, A. C. McDougal, F. C. Pierson, R. G. Sewell, J. M. Binkley, E. A. Bourland, W. F. Clark, D. M. Proctor, D. J. Martin, R. J. Deets, T. E.

Sherwood, L. P. Smith, W. C. Blair, and P. P. Reece.

The committee in the case of J. C. Randle reported, recommending that the case be referred to the presiding elder of Sulphur Springs district.

James Graham presented the appeal of W. H. Walker, a local preacher, who had been expelled from the ministry and church by the quarterly conference of Paris circuit, Paris district. The grounds of appeal were presented *in extenso*. J. R. Allen made a statement of the case on behalf of the quarterly conference. The appeal was not entertained.

Question 16 was called—"Who are located this year?" P. P. Reece was located at his own request.

H. J. Harris was elected assistant secretary, and assigned to duty with the committee in the case of E. W. Alderson. J. W. Fulton, assistant secretary, was assigned to duty with the committee in the case of G. W. Snyder.

Rev. J. S. Smith pronounced the benediction, and conference adjourned.

MEMORANDA.

Among the visitors at this conference, your reporter had the pleasure of meeting Miss Marcia Marvin, daughter of the late Bishop Marvin. She is in very poor health, and traveling in the hope of recuperation. Of course she naturally finds her way into a Methodist annual conference. The lady takes a deep interest in the woman's missionary movement, and co-operates fully with the ladies of this conference in their various meetings and counsels. J. N. Moore, C. W. Wyatt, J. Y. Bryce and J. O. Shanks, all of the Indian Mission Conference, are visitors at this session.

Revs. Mood, Gaskell and South, of the Northwest Texas Conference, were visitors at this conference.

Bro. H. S. P. Ashby went by way of Belton on his route here. His hardships among the Indians had not left my friend Ashby's wardrobe in exactly the best condition imaginable. In fact, each piece of his attire represented a different sentiment: his hat was the wide-brimmed enormity affected by that element among the cow-boys who have no higher ambition; his coat seemed to have been made for a man of much lower stature and shorter arms; he kept his hands in his pockets a good deal, thus making it inconvenient to measure the distance between his coat sleeve and hand, but he had no device to hide the untidy appearance of that jacket-looking concern. Except a violent contrast as to color, the parts were of a piece with the coat—made apparently for use during high water. The young men of Belton took in the situation, and therefore Bro. Ashby came to the North Texas Conference in a full suit of new clothes—including hat, overcoat, necktie, etc. If the young men aforesaid could have seen Bro. Ashby's eyes when your reporter asked him where he got that suit—and heard his answer in praise of the donors, they would have felt doubly paid for this generous act. May the tribe of such young men increase.

FOURTH DAY.

SATURDAY, NOV. 18.

Conference was called to order at 9 a. m.

H. A. Bourland conducted religious service.

J. W. Hill was excused from further attendance of conference. Bro. Hill was compelled to return home on account of sickness.

C. E. Lamb was placed upon the Committee on Temperance in place of J. W. Hill.

The Committee on Conference Relations submitted a report recommending Jas. Graham, C. J. Cooke, W. P. Reed, G. S. Gatewood, J. B. Rabb, Jno. Beverly, J. W. Fields, M. H. Cullum and L. B. Ellis as superannuates; and Z. Parker, A. H. Brewer, W. K. Duff, W. E. Bates, J. E. Walker, E. M. Sweet, J. G. Rainey and J. B. Smith as superannuates.

The committee on the appeal of T. W. Snyder reported, reversing the action of the quarterly conference.

Question 20 was resumed, the character of J. L. Angell was passed, and his case was referred to the Committee on Conference Relations.

The committee on the case of W. F. Easterling reported no trial necessary, and his character was passed. The characters of the following brethren were passed: P. C. Archer, R. R. Nelson, L. F. Palmer, S. Crutchfield, R. N. Brown, T. B. Norwood, T. R. Pierce, E. D. Pitts, M. C. Blackburn, W. M. Robbins, M. W. Shearer, R. M. Powers, W. H. Hughes, J. W. Hill, L. P. Lively, J. W. Chalk, and J. C. Smith.

Question 16 was called. The character of H. H. Sullivan was passed, and he was located at his own request.

Question 20 was resumed, and the characters of the following were passed: W. S. May, L. M. White, B. T. Hays, J. S. Smith.

The character of G. J. Nunn passed and he was continued in the class of the third year.

The characters were passed of J. H. McLean, W. C. Young, W. G. Connor, J. B. Harris, O. P. Thomas, B. H.

Bounds, J. C. McDougald, F. A. Rossler, M. H. Neely, J. H. White, W. Hay, S. H. Kenfro, I. S. Ashburn, S. J. Hawkins, J. M. Stephenson, D. M. Proctor, S. W. Jones.

Question 31 was called, "Where shall the next session of the annual conference be held?" Paris, Sherman, Sulphur Springs, and McKinney were nominated. McKinney, having received a majority over all other competing points, was declared elected.

W. B. Rankin, State Superintendent of the American Bible Society, addressed the conference in the interest of his great work.

Business Manager Palmer, of the Nashville Publishing House, having arrived, the Bishop invited him to address the conference. In response, he made a practical business talk, showing the condition of our connectional interests.

Conference adjourned.

MEMORANDA.
The Missionary Anniversary, at night, yielded over \$600.

The Church Extension Society collection, Friday night, was near \$200.

FIFTH DAY.
MONDAY, Nov. 20.

The conference met pursuant to adjournment.

Religious service conducted by J. W. Chalk.

The Bishop announced the following as ordained deacons on Sunday: Jas. A. Stafford, W. A. Coppedge, C. A. Emmons, H. P. Shrader, C. C. Williams, J. A. Richardson, T. R. Gossett, M. A. Smith. The following as elders: James W. Lively, C. B. Fladger, E. S. Williams, J. H. Shaw, N. A. Keen, I. W. Clark.

Question 9 was called, "What traveling preachers are ordained deacons?" Answered as follows: J. A. Stafford, W. A. Coppedge, C. A. Emmons, H. P. Shrader.

Question 11 was called, "What local preachers are ordained deacons?" Answered as follows: C. C. Williams, J. A. Richardson, T. R. Gossett, M. A. Smith, C. W. Roberts.

Question 13 was called, "What traveling preachers are ordained elders?" Answered as follows: J. W. Lively, C. B. Fladger, E. S. Williams, J. H. Shaw, Newton A. Keen.

Question 15 was called, "What local preachers are ordained elders?" Answer: J. W. Clark.

The bishop announced the following vacancies in the Board of Curators of Southwestern University: J. Clark Smith, transferred; and W. C. Haislip, deceased. T. R. Pierce and R. M. Powers were appointed.

The Committee on Conference Relations reported, recommending J. L. Angell for superannuated relation.

The Committee on District Conference Records made their report, showing the condition of the records of the several conferences, and offering valuable suggestions in the premises.

The Committee on Temperance submitted their report.

Question 27 was called—"What amount is necessary for the superannuated preachers and the widows and orphans of preachers?" Answer, \$2925.

Question 28 was called—"What has been collected on the foregoing account, and how has it been applied?" Answer, \$1565.84.

The Joint Board of Finance acknowledged \$28 08 from the Colvin bequest.

The Board of Finance reported \$2 50 for curators of Southwestern University, and \$1 for General Conference delegates.

Question 29 was called, "What has been contributed for missions?" Answer: Foreign Missions, \$3099.30; domestic, \$2535.25.

Question 19 was called, "What preachers have died during the past year?" Answered as follows: W. C. Haislip, A. Cumming and J. O. Armstrong.

The Committee on Memoirs made their report, which, after fitting tributes to the departed, was adopted.

Reports were read from the Sunday-school Board, the Statistical Secretary, the Board of Education, the Committee on Books and Periodicals, and the Committee on the Bible Cause.

H. A. Bourland was appointed to edit and publish the minutes.

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Texas Christian Advocate.

To the Texas Christian Advocate. The Sacrament in Texas.

NUMBER THREE

It was asked in the paper next preceding this, why are there two sacraments and no more? and an answer was given...

It might be asked—and it seems it is asked by some religious teachers in Texas, and no doubt elsewhere—why the necessity of this public quasi-notarial demonstration of a mere obligation?

The first idea of religion that arises in the human mind is personal and individual. A man is under direct and immediate obligation to obey God, and render fealty and worship to the Most High.

It is not the least to have a "war department" confined to certain columns? These could readily be skipped by non-combatants.

It is true we have departments for missions, revivals, obituaries, church intelligence, etc. All well! But there are still a good many of the middle-aged and old folks that read the papers, who belong to the peace party.

The general public like things lively. The paper should be very liberal in sentiment, ready to admit religious opinions of every variety.

To the Texas Christian Advocate. An Appeal.

Brother of the West Texas Conference. As a band of soldiers battling in the same field and division of the army, we should exercise the deepest love and sympathy for one another.

Now, brethren, God's ministers are not hezars, far from it! And, doubtless, if Bro. A. C. Biggs were with me, I would snatch this pen from his hand, requiring me to desist.

Bro. Biggs is a true and noble preacher, and make no begging proposition. Remembering that we are to help, as well as love and pray for one another, I make this suggestion: Let all the preachers put this matter faithfully before their charges, giving not only a history of the trouble, but showing also that the expenses in moving from Laredo to Beville—the charge to which he is now appointed—must be heavy.

I do not like the raising of a collection in this case; such an act would embarrass any of us under the circumstances; but just let our beloved brethren know of it, and leave it with them to be acted upon voluntarily.

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