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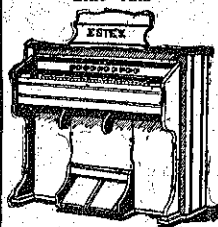
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Report of Twentieth Century Commission.

Your commission in presenting its final report wishes to acknowledge the hand of Providence in directing the whole church to this movement. Faithful work was undertaken by conference, district and charge commissions as the reports show:

THANK OFFERING.

1. Church Debts.....	\$2,026	
2. Educational—		
Grant University.....	\$ 23	
Mt. Zion Seminary.....	712	
Epworth Seminary.....	1,565	
Union Hill Seminary.....	260	
Barrow's Legacy.....	1,410	\$3,970
3. Conference Claimants.....		\$266
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Total Thank Offering.....		\$6,265
Churches and Parsonages.....		6,457
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Grand Total.....		\$12,722
W. A. PARSONS, Secretary.	R. H. ROBB, Chairman.	

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A. D. Akin, Atlanta Ga.	T. H. Hampton, Cobbs, N. C.
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MEMOIRS.

Andrew W. Caldwell.

In the death of Andrew W. Caldwell our conference has lost its oldest and one of its most highly esteemed members. He was born in Spartanburg district, South Carolina, July 18, 1814, and peacefully passed to his eternal rest from his home in Gainesville, Ga., August 8, 1902. He had just entered upon his 89th year. In 1824 the family moved to Georgia and settled near Auguste. In 1827 they moved to Hall county. He was of a noted family, being closely related to the distinguished John C. Calhoun to whom in facial expression he bore a striking resemblance. Three of the brothers became Methodist preachers. Charles was mostly local. John H. was in his day one of the most cultured, eloquent and influential members of the old Georgia conference. After serving some of the best appointments in the state in church South, and also serving as college president, he joined M. E. church. After a few years he was transferred to Wilmington Conference. A. W., the oldest, was powerfully convicted under a sermon preached in a private house by a local preacher named Roberts on the second Sabbath in May, 1831, when he was in his seventeenth year. The text he frequently quoted, "And thou Solomon, my son, etc." That night or the next he was converted. He united with the church at Lebanon Camp-ground. Doubtless he felt the call to the ministry in those days but was disobedient to the call until about twenty-seven. Feeble health and family cares led him for years to disregard the heavenly call during which time he traveled extensively.

In 1844 he was first married, and for a number of years traveled with a view of improving his health. He made money in those days, but as his expenses were heavy he never accumulated as he desired. In eighteen years he spent for medicines, physicians, funeral expenses, etc., \$11,000. During those years of travel in his brief sojourn at certain places he held important positions from the government and in towns and cities where he lived.

On the return of the M. E. church to the South in 1865 he was one of the first to unite with her; for by nature and by home training his sympathies were all with her. He was soon licensed to preach and admitted to the Georgia Conference in 1867. It was too late for him to make a success in the ministry. He had spent his best days in other pursuits and this remnant life seemed to not be acceptable nor much owned. He endured much while laboring in those early days for the establishment of the old church. Many of his former friends turned against him and often incited the rabble against him. He was always found a bold, fearless defender of his principles and his church. After a few years of diligent, unremunerative service his failing health required him to take a superannuated relation in 1886.

His second wife, with whom he lived thirty years, was Mrs. J. H. Harrison. She was a true helpmeet. Their's was a delightful Christian home. Our brother was a charming conversationalist. His capacious and very retentive memory, wide experience and large sympathy made him always interesting. The unbounded hospitality of that home will long be remembered by many an itinerant and by others. During the past seventeen years he has been much confined to his home. His last years were shrouded by poverty but in the midst of it all he had a bright, happy, joyous experience. He appreciated the little his conference and outside friends did for him. The end was peaceful. For sixty years he was a worthy Mason and his funeral service was in their charge. He leaves two sons and a daughter. His last words were to his old family physician "Prepare to meet thy God."

R. H. ROBB,
L. D. ELLINGTON.

William A. Barrows.

William A. Barrows was born July 25, 1864, in Worcester, Mass., and died at Ellijay, Ga., September 14, 1902.

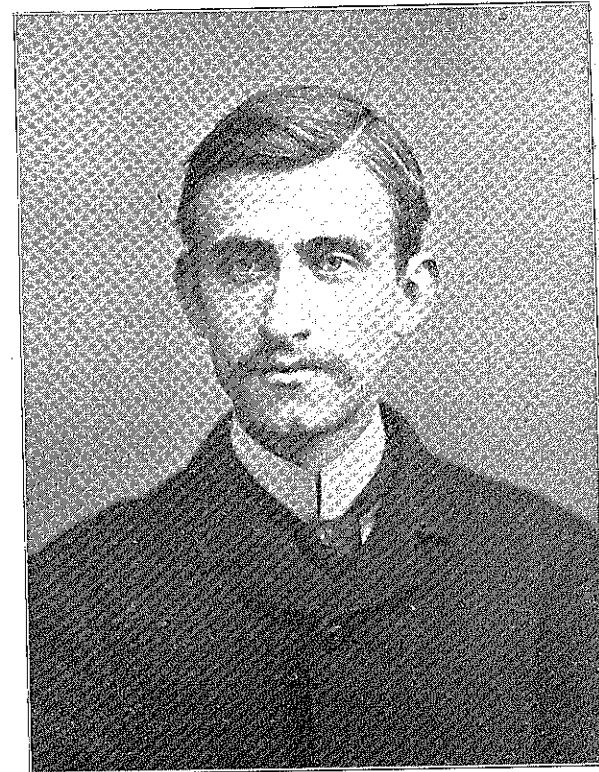
In early life he was converted and united with the Worcester Square M. E. Church in Worcester. The Spirit wooed him to missionary work, but he was sorely beset by hindrances, mostly his physical infirmities. A regular attendant of the Moody conventions, in these his soul would be set on fire to work entirely for the Master. In a few years he engaged in a number of branches of business, but was ill at ease. In one of the conventions he heard Miss Berry, of Rome, Ga., describe the work she was doing, which led him to this State. He came, saw for himself, was impressed with the need, drawn to the people and decided to labor among them. Being a successful Sunday-school worker in the North he was pressed into the work at Ellijay. He was a model Christian, and in his life and labors among the poor reflected the spirit of the Master. His will was made on the spur of the moment, but his gift to our conference showed his deep interest in the work that was so dear to him to which he had consecrated his life.

In the past we have had many valuable accessions to our membership. As a practical Sunday-school worker, a model Christian, and a liberal benefactor we have not had his equal.

Martha L. Brewer.

Sister Martha L. Brewer, wife of Rev. William Brewer, died during the present year. She was a faithful Christian woman, and died a peaceful death. She was a great sufferer in body for many years, but triumphed over all through faith in Jesus.

L. D. ELLINGTON,
R. H. ROBB,
Committee.



REV. W. A. BARROWS.

Born July 25, 1864; died September 14, 1902.

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