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August 5th and 6th, 1892.

Strawberry, Pittsylvania County, Virginia,

Held with the Church at

PRIMITIVE BAPTIST ASSOCIATION,

Stanton River

OF THE

MINUTES

which the Association is to meet each year be required to give notice of the Association, and where visitors are to get off Railroad, and whether they will be met with conveyance or not, at least two months before the time of meeting, through ZION'S LANDMARK.

NAMES OF CHURCHES AND CLERKS
AND THEIR P. O. ADDRESSES.

- Whitethorn—Geo. H. Thomas, Whittle's, Pittsylvania county, Va.
- Mill—John C. Chaney, Laurel Grove, Pittsylvania county, Va.
- Mount Ararat—J. W. Thompkins, Whitmell, Pittsylvania county, Va.
- Banister—J. R. Jennings, Spring Garden, Pittsylvania county, Va.
- Mount Zion—John Hodnett, Mt. Airy, Pittsylvania county, Va.
- Strawberry—Hezekiah Boaz, Swansonville, Pittsylvania county, Va.
- Union—W. S. Anderson, Sheltons, Pittsylvania county, Va.
- Stonewall—Joseph H. Stone, Campbell Court House, Campbell county, Va.
- Weatherford—A. C. Owen, Brow, Pittsylvania county, Va.
- Seneca—W. N. Jefferson, Gladys, Pittsylvania county, Va.
- Cane Creek—John A. Ferguson, Danville, Pittsylvania county, Va.
- Burton's Creek—Geo. B. Woodfin, Burton's Creek, Campbell county, Va.
- Rehoboth—P. F. Morrisett, Swansonville, Va.
- Malmaison—C. H. Barker, Malmaison, Pittsyl-

vania county, Va.

Chesterfield—Elder Thos. Woodfin, Skinquarter, Chesterfield county, Va.

Received from the Churches.....	\$ 23 10
For printing and postage on 700 copies of these minutes.....	14 00
To Clerk fee.....	6 00
To amount given to traveling Elders as heretofore.....	3 10
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THOMAS N. WALTON, Mod.

R. D. DODSON, CL'K.

1st. The Introductory Sermon was preached by Elder J. E. Hillsman from 84th Psalm, 11th Verse. "The Lord God is a sun and shield," &c.

2nd. An intermission of one hour given, after which the Association met and after prayer by Elder P. D. Gold, proceeded to business.

3rd. Rules of Decorum were read.

4th. Letters from the Churches were read and names of Messengers enrolled as in Statistical Table. (See table.)

5th. Correspondents and visiting brethren were invited to seats with us, whereupon the following were received, viz:

From Country Line—Elders J. S. Dameron, J. M. Harris, and Brethren J. W. Gilliam, and R. H. Pruitt.

From Black Creek—Elder P. D. Gold, (visitor.)

From Pigg River—Elders W. S. Minter, Z. T. Turner, Wm. Minter, and Brethren S. Minter, and John Adkins, and Frank Gravelly, (visitors.)

From Mayo—Elder A. L. Moore, and Brethren Jerry Griggs and B. Dallas.

6th. Chose Brethren A. C. Owen, John Hodnett, and Elder G. W. Hundley, with Moderator and Clerk, a Committee of Arrangements.

7th. Adjourned to meet Saturday at 10 o'clock, A. M.

PROCEEDINGS.

FRIDAY, August 5th, 1892.

8th. After prayer by Elder J. S. Dameron, Committee reported as follows: Chose Elders J. S. Dameron, J. M. Harris, B. L. Stultz, and A. L. Moore, to preach Saturday, P. D. Gold, Z. T. Turner, and A. L. Moore, to preach Sunday.

9th. Circular Letter prepared by Bro. W. H. Wilson, read and adopted.

10th. Bro. John Hodnett was chosen to write our next Circular Letter.

11th. Brethren appointed to attend Sister Associations, reported and discharged.

12th. Appointed the following Brethren to attend Sister Associations, W. H. Wilson, R. A. Cox and E. W. Emerson to attend Country Line, Bro. R. A. Cox to attend Mayo.

13th. Agreed to continue to correspond by Minutes.

14th. Agreed to appoint Presbyteries to examine the qualifications of Brethren J. P. Johnson and T. J. Bowman, and to ordain them as Ministers of the gospel if found orthodox.

15th. Agreed that Elders J. S. Dameron, S. M. Price and T. N. Walton examine Bro. J. P. Johnson, and Elders T. N. Walton, J. E. Hillsman, and Joseph G. Woodfin examine Bro. T. J. Bowman.

16th. Agreed that our next Association be held with Union Church near Pigg River, in Pittsylvania Co., Va., and to commence on Friday before the 1st Sunday in August, 1893, and continue three days.

17th. Chose Elder J. E. Hillsman to preach the Introductory Sermon, Elder S. M. Price his alternate.

18th. Agreed that the Clerk of each Church at

STATISTICAL TABLE.

NAMES OF CHURCHES.	NAMES OF MESSENGERS.	Deceased.	Baptism.	Dism'd by Letter.	Rec'd by Letter.	Gain by Error.	Excluded.	Fellowship.	Contributions.
Whitehorn.....	W. B. Shelton, T. A. Shelton, Robt. L. Shreve.....	2	2	1	1	0	1	34	2 00
Mill.....	M. M. Morris, John S. Lewis, C. L. Lewis.....	3	2	1	1	0	1	47	2 50
Mount Ararat.....	T. N. Walton, D. O. Edwards, L. Payne.....	3	2	1	1	0	1	49	2 00
Banister.....	J. R. Jennings, *W. A. Dixon, R. A. Cox.....	1	2	1	1	0	1	24	1 50
Mount Zion.....	H. A. Brumfield, J. M. Dallas, J. P. Johnson.....	1	2	1	1	0	1	17	1 50
Strawberry.....	W. H. Oakes, T. H. Oakes, E. A. Emerson.....	1	2	1	1	0	1	21	1 50
Union.....	W. T. Doss, W. S. Anderson.....	1	2	1	1	0	1	17	1 10
Stonewall.....	Jos. H. Stone*.....	1	2	1	1	0	1	8	1 00
Weatherford.....	A. C. Owen, R. G. West, J. A. Jackson.....	1	2	1	1	0	1	54	2 50
Seneca.....	W. N. Jefferson.....	1	2	1	1	0	1	9	2 00
Cane Creek.....	W. H. Wilson, C. W. Dodson, H. J. Dodson.....	1	2	1	1	0	1	38	1 00
Burton's Creek.....	J. E. Hillsman, G. B. Woodfin*.....	1	2	1	1	0	1	12	1 00
Rehoboth.....	T. J. Bowman.....	1	2	1	1	0	1	14	1 00
Malmason.....	W. Bryant, W. H. Giles, C. H. Barker*.....	1	2	1	1	0	1	27	1 50
Chesterfield.....	By Letter*.....	2	2	1	1	0	1	13	1 00
Absentees Marked thus*		15	16	3	3	0	1	384	\$23 10
Total.....		1516	3	3	3	0	1	384	\$23 10

CIRCULAR LETTER.

TO THE MESSENGERS COMPOSING THE STAUNTON RIVER PRIMITIVE BAPTIST ASSOCIATION.

Dear Brethren, as it was the choice of our last Association that I should write a Circular Letter to appear in the Minutes of our Association to be held with the Church at Strawberry, Pittsylvania Co., Va., commencing on Friday before the 1st Sunday in August, 1892, feeling as I do my weakness and unfitness, I shrink at the task: therefore I hope you will bear with me in my ignorance; but believing that God is able to bring strength out of weakness, and light out of darkness, I will make the attempt. Dear Brethren, as we intend to transact such business as claims the attention of the Association, let us draw in the wanderings of our mind, and place them on things above. We believe that God has a purpose in calling his people together in this capacity, that they may impart some knowledge and instruction to each other, not to give life as some claim, but because we have life, and we are taught that that life is the light of men. Then Brethren, having that light what manner of men ought we to be? (I will refer you to some Scripture.) 2nd Tim.; 2nd and 19th Verse. "Nevertheless the foundation of God standeth sure, having this seal, the Lord knoweth them that are his." Then should we not strive to so deport ourselves as to come up to the measure of our faith and the profession that we have made with an orderly walk and Godly conversation? for the Psalmist says, "Blessed is the man that walketh not in the counsel of the ungodly, nor standeth in the way of sinners, nor sitteth in the seat of the scornful." Then let us not be led about by every wind of doctrine, and let us try to keep ourselves unspotted from the world, and have no fellowship with the unfruitful works of darkness; but let us watch and be sober, keeping out of the snares and traps that are set by the way; for there is no happiness promised to the disobedient or unfaithful. Now may God give us grace to overcome the world, and to Him be glory and dominion forever and ever, Amen.

W. H. WILSON.

Ringgold, Va., August 2nd, 1892.