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OF THE
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OF THE
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Baptist Association

HELD WITH THE
Church at Cowee

MACON COUNTY, N. C.

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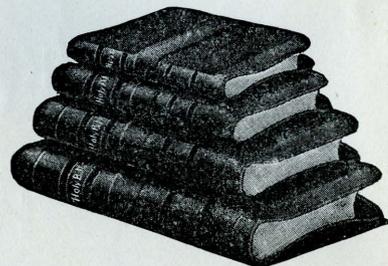
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ON

Aug. 15, 16, 17 and 18, 1902.

OFFICERS:

Moderator—ELD. P. R. RICKMAN, Leatherman, N. C.
Clerk—R. M. LEDFORD, . . . Franklin, N. C.
Treasurer—T. C. BRYSON, . . . West's Mill, N. C.
Historian—REV. A. B. THOMAS, Sylva, N. C.

The Next Session of the Tuckaseige Association will be held with the Scott's Creek Church, Jackson County, N. C., beginning Thursday before the 3rd Sunday in August, 1903. Introductory at 11.00 A. M. by Rev. J. W. Briggs; Alternate, Rev. J. L. Kinsland.

ORDAINED MINISTERS 1st DIST.

Buchanan, J. L.	- - -	Dillsboro, N. C.
Buchanan, C. L.	- - -	Dillsboro, N. C.
Davis, A. W.	- - -	Webster, N. C.
Thomas, A. B.	- - -	Sylva, N. C.
Sitton, J. D.	- - -	Painter, N. C.
Hooper, L. W.	- - -	Tuckaseige, N. C.
Queen, A. C.	- - -	Tuckaseige, N. C.
Owen, J. L.	- - -	Glenville, N. C.
Owen, J. H.	- - -	Fidelity, N. C.
Queen, B. N.	- - -	Cathy, N. C.
Queen, L.	- - -	Cowarts, N. C.
Cook, W. F.	- - -	Rich Mountain, N. C.
Reed, W. W.	- - -	Alice, N. C.
Norman, M. A.	- - -	Alice, N. C.
Carson, J. L.	- - -	Alice, N. C.
Queen, Thomas H.	- - -	Alice, N. C.
Kesterson, J. W.	- - -	Sylva, N. C.
E. Lee Fox,	- - -	Sylva, N. C.

SECOND DISTRICT.

Briggs, J. W.	- - -	Higdonville, N. C.
Pendergrass, J. R.	- - -	Franklin, N. C.
Morgan, F. M.	- - -	Flats, N. C.
Kinsland, J. L.	- - -	Crawford, N. C.
Miller, D. L.	- - -	Highlands, N. C.
Bradley, W. L.	- - -	Etna, N. C.
Peek, I. T.	- - -	Cullasaja, N. C.
Rickman, P. R.	- - -	Leatherman, N. C.
Young, A. W.	- - -	Scaly, N. C.
Vinson, J. D.	- - -	Otto, N. C.
Ford, T. N.	- - -	Otto, N. C.
Yonce, J. L.	- - -	Blithdale, N. C.
DeHart, T. S.	- - -	Needmore, N. C.
Love, M. A.	- - -	Cullasaja, N. C.
Rickman, C. C.	- - -	Leatherman, N. C.

PROCEEDINGS.

Macon County N. C., Aug. 14, 1902.

The Tuckaseige Baptist Association met this day in its seventy-third annual session with the Cowee Baptist church, Macon county. Devotional exercises by Rev. J. D. Sitton.

The former Moderator being absent, Elder P. R. Rickman was elected Moderator pro-tem.

Introductory sermon at 11 a. m. was delivered by Rev. M. A. Love. Text Gen. 45:24 "See that ye fall not out by the way." The Association then adjourned after prayer by Rev. W. L. Bradley.

FIRST DAY—AFTERNOON SESSION.

The Association was called to order at 1:15 Prayer by Rev. J. W. Briggs. E. H. Franks and T. R. Arnold were appointed reading clerks

The following churches were represented in the Association:

1. *Head of Tennessee*—D. W. Rickman, G. W. Greenwood, A. A. Darnell.
2. *Mountain Grove*—J. T. Franks, N. Fox.
3. *Flats of Middle Creek*—F. B. Blackwell, R. L. Long, L. H. Garland.
4. *Ochre Hill*—M. A. Norman, Erastus Blanton.
5. *Mt. Hope*—None present.
6. *Balsam Grove*—Rev. W. F. Cook, Lee Hooper, Baxter Hoover.
7. *Big Ridge*—T. C. Dills, E. E. Moore.
8. *Hamburg*—J. L. Owen, W. R. Owen.
9. *Savannah*—R. N. Green, S. B. Buchanan.
10. *Yellow Mountain*—J. A. Stewart.
11. *Cullowhee*—J. D. Sitton, D. H. Phillips, David Presley.
12. *Liberty*—J. M. Mason, J. E. Rickman, Z. M. Leatherman.

13. *Locust Field*—Charlie Pangle, Jas. Roberson.
14. *White Oak Flats*—Richard Teague, Elbert Cope.
15. *Highlands*—J. N. Arnold, W. T. Potts.
16. *Oak Grove*—W. L. Bradley, J. M. Martin, James Bernett, L. M. Bradley, D. C. McCoy.
17. *Franklin*—M. A. Love, John Elmore, G. T. Stiles, W. N. Allman, John Trotter, E. Hurst, John Henry, E. H. Franks.
18. *East Fork*—D. D. Buchanan, R. N. Deitz, W. L. Buchanan,
19. W. R. London, D. J. McCoy.
20. *Webster*—Jason Morgan.
21. *Dillsboro*—E. B. Monteith, W. D. Montieth.
22. *Tesenta*—M. L. Justis, W. V. Justis, W. B. Long.
23. *Cartoogechaye*—J. M. Dills, W. R. Cloer, S. E. Dills.
24. *Pleasant Hill*—J. A. T. Sanders, M. M. Ledford, Robt. Stamey.
25. *Burningtown*—J. L. Yonce, P. C. Wild, J. F. Tippett, J. W. Houston, J. M. Tallent.
26. *Oak Dale*—Cling Roper, Lon Roper, Will Cochran.
27. *Coweta*—B. H. Carpenter, J. G. Bates, J. A. Sanders, M. N. Long, L. C. Holbrook, J. D. Stiles.
28. *Sugar Fork*—J. W. Briggs, J. W. Nash, W. L. Higdon, J. C. M. Bolick, J. A. Teems, T. R. Arnold.
29. *John's Creek*—M. R. Phillips.
30. *Cowee*—P. R. Rickman, M. J. Mashburn, Joshua Tallent, T. C. Bryson, C. O. Rickman.
31. *Zion Hill*—W. P. Collins, W. D. Bishop.
32. *Brush Creek*—I. T. Peek, W. W. Moss, G. I. Houston.
33. *Scotts Creek*—A. L. Ensley, J. P. Reed.
34. *Briartown*—F. M. Morgan, M. J. May.
35. *Sylva*—A. J. Dills, W. O. Buchanan, T. C. Bryson.
36. *Watauga*—S. J. Ammons, H. D. Dean, R. F. Henry, J. B. Emore, W. A. Fisher.
37. *Ellijay*—None present.

The Association now proceeded to permanent organization. After taking the second ballot for Moderator Eld. P. R. Rickman was elected Moderator by acclamation, R. M. Ledford, re-elected Clerk and T. C. Bryson, elected Treasurer.

Election of historian was deferred until the present historian makes his report.

Called for newly constituted churches, Big Ridge, first district and White Oak Flats, second district, presented letters, and asked admittance. They were received into the Association.

The order of business for last year was adopted for this session.

ORDER OF BUSINESS.

1. Meet at 9:00 A. M. each day. Devotional service by the direction of the Moderator.
2. Read minutes of previous day.
3. Call for letters from churches.
4. Extend invitations and appoint other committees.

Friday, 9:00 A. M. General order of business. 9:30 A. M., Temperance report. 10:15 A. M., Sunday Schools. 11:00 A. M., Sermon. Recess. 1:30 P. M., (Renew calls) Home and State Missions. 2:30 P. M. Periodicals. 3:15 Report. (1) Time and Place. (2) Revision of Ministers Names. (3) Historian. (4) Elect Historian. (5) Any new committees. Adjourn at will.

Saturday. General order. 9:30 Orphanage. 10:00 Education. 11:00 Sermon. Recess. 1:30 Foreign Missions. 2:15 (1) Obituaries and Changes. (2) Finance. (3) Treasurer's report. (4) Elect Treasurer. (5) New Committees. (6) Roll call. (7) Appoint Messengers and Delegates to other bodies. (8) Motions and Resolutions, Adjourn at will.

The following committee appointed:

Preaching—Pastor and deacons of Cowee church.
Home and State Missions—W. N. Allman, J. D. Sitton, J. L. Kinsland.

Foreign Missions—J. W. Briggs, W. F. Cook.

Temperance—M. A. Love, M. A. Norman.

Sunday Schools—John Trotter, J. L. Owen.

Periodicals—D. H. Phillips, S. J. Ammons.

Obituaries—F. M. Morgan, Nelson Deitz

Revision of Ministers Names—W. L. Higdon, W. R. Owen.

State of Churches—A. B. Thomas, F. M. Morgan.

Time and Place—J. D. Sitton, D. H. Phillips, J. B. Elmore.

Finance—L. H. Garland, M. R. Phillips.

Rev. J. A. Ammons, Tenn., River Association, was welcomed to a seat in the body.

It was announced that Rev. J. D. Sitton would preach at the church at 8:00 P. M., and Rev. F. M. Morgan at the stand at 11:00 A. M., to morrow.

Homes of delegates announced by Committee on hospitality. Adjourned.

FRIDAY—MORNING SESSION.

The Association was called to order at 9:00 A. M. Devotional exercises by A. E. Brown.

Minutes of previous day read and approved.

Received letters from the following churches, viz: Sylva, Briartown, Scotts Creek, Brush Creek.

Rev. J. S. Woodward, Rev. H. H. Hyde and Son, Tennessee River Association, Rev. W. R. Rickman, Montana Baptist Association, Rev. A. E. Brown, Assistant Corresponding Secretary State Mission Board, Rev. Livingston Johnson, Corresponding Secretary State Mission Board, Rev. A. B. Thomas, Representing the Biblical Recorder, Prof. E. Lee Fox, Principal Sylva Collegiate Institute, were welcomed to seats in the Association.

Rev. James Bristol (colored) requests that messengers be sent from this body to their Association to aid them in their work.

Committee appointed on Education—Prof. E. Lee Fox, Thad C. Bryson, L. H. Garland.

Orphanage—W. L. Bradley, Thad C. Bryson, J. W. Kesterson.

Report on Temperance read and discussed by M. A. Love, W. R. Rickman, J. W. Briggs, I. T. Peek, J. W. Kesterson, and adopted.

TEMPERANCE.

We, your committee report the following: Temperance is a Christian Grace. Only absolute prohibition will meet the requirements of the Bible. Intemperance is a great sin. It is worse than wars and famines, destroying its thousands annually, making heart broken widows and needy orphans. In as much as we have an opportunity this year to remove the authorized sale of whiskey from Macon county, we urge therefore that Christians read 28th chapter of Isaiah. "Wine is a mocker, strong drink is raging and whosoever is deceived thereby is not wise," and use their influence to remove it from our midst.

M. A. LOVE,

M. A. NORMAN.

Committee.

By motion periodicals was given the place of Sunday Schools in the order of business.

Report on periodicals read by S. J. Ammons and spoken to by A. B. Thomas. Rev. F. M. Morgan preached at 11 a. m. Text Joshua 13:1. "There remaineth yet very much land to be possessed."

Adjourned.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

The Association re assembled at 1:30 p. m. Prayer by Brother E. Lee Fox. T. B. Bristol, from W. N. Association was welcomed to a seat.

Received letters from—Head of Tennessee and Ellijay. Discussion on periodicals continued by Livingston Johnson. Report adopted.

PERIODICALS.

We are becoming more fully awakened to the powerful influence of the literature we place in our homes. Our young people are reading and will continue to read something. The wise parent will see that his children have wholesome literature at their command, for their character is largely shaped by what they read. Those who belong to the criminal class might have been saved to society and to God had they had the benefit of good literature in their homes.

A wise pastor will endeavor to see that the homes of his people are supplied with religious papers. The Biblical Recorder, the organ of the State Baptist Convention, is recognized as one of the best edited periodicals in the South. Its editor is ever watchful to the best interest of the people, advocating the right, both in church and state. We do not hesitate to say that every home in which it does not go suffers loss. We also commend to our people, Charity and children, the Skyland Baptist, Foreign Mission Journal, and Home Field, as being worthy of a place in every home.

D. H. PHILLIPS, } Com.
S. J. AMMONS. }

W. N. Ailman read the report on Home and State Missions which was spoken to by Rev. Livingston Johnson and A. E. Brown.

PLEDGES FOR HOME AND STATE MISSIONS.

Barber's Creek, \$1.50; Balsam Grove, 3.00; Cullowhee, 2.00; Dillsboro, 1.50; East Fork, 1.50; Hamburg, 2.00; John's Creek, 2.00; Locust Field, 2.00; Ochre Hill, 2.00; Scotts Creek, 2.50; Shoal Creek, 2.00; Savannah, 2.00; Sylva, 10.00; Webster, 2.00; Zion Hill, 2.00; Burningtown, 5.00; Briartown, 5.00; Brush Creek, 1.00; Coweta, 5.00; Cowee, 5.00; Cartoogachaye, 2.50; Ellijay, 3.00; Franklin, 5.00; Highlands, 3.00; Head of Tennessee, 3.00; Liberty, 5.00; Mt. Hope, 2.00; Mountain Grove, 2.00; Middle Creek, 1.00; Oak Dale, 1.50; Oak Grove, 2.00; Pleasant Hill, 1.50; Pine Grove, 2.00; Sugar Fork, 5.00; Tesenta, 1.00; Watauga, 2.00; Big Ridge, 1.00; White Oak Flats, 1.00. Total \$103.00.

Report adopted.

Historian read his report which was adopted. Rev. A. B. Thomas was re-elected historian.

HISTORIAN'S REPORT.

The last session of our Association was held with the Cullowhee church, Jackson county, August 15—18, and was one of interest, notwithstanding the almost incessant rains and high waters which hindered many from reaching the Association. Brothers John E. Ray, Chairman State Mission Board, and Prof. Leneau of Wake Forest College were with us, both of whom were very helpful in the splendid speeches they gave us. Also, Brothers B. W. Spilman, Field Secretary Sunday School Board, Southern Baptist Convention; T. Neil Johnson, Sunday School Secretary for North Carolina and A. E. Brown, Assistant Corresponding Secretary, all helped us with their speeches and sermons. During the year we have about

completed the School Building at Sylva at a cost of about \$5,000 which stands as a Monument to the untiring efforts of our Assistant Corresponding Secretary, A. E. Brown and the sacrifice of some of our brethren and sisters, and ought to be the pride of every Baptist in our Association.

This institution deserves the earnest prayers, loyal and faithful support of every Baptist in the Tuckaseige Association, both in giving their money and filling it with their boys and girls. Brethren and sisters will we do it? It is imperative. There is now a debt of about \$100.00 resting upon the building. The second session of the school closed May 7—10, 1902 with good results. The third will open August 19th 1902 with Rev. E. Lee Fox as principal, he is a graduate of Wake Forest College and a teacher with 9 years experience, he will be ably assisted by Miss Etta Waters, and Miss Fannie Moore who was one of the teachers last year. Brethren, give us your support now and help us make this institution the power of our Association in the education of our boys and girls.

During the year, Scott's Creek church has completed the best house of worship in our bounds. Also Zion Hill church has completed their building, each of which is a credit to itself and community. Rev. J. W. Kesterson of Sylva was ordained to the full words of the gospel ministry. Rev. Z. J. Edge resigned at Head of Tennessee and Rev. George Brown of Georgia was called and accepted. Rev. T. Bright resigned at Franklin and Sylva, Rev. J. W. Briggs was called to Franklin and J. W. Kesterson to Sylva each accepted.

Rev. W. E. Conner resigned Scotts Creek, Cowee and Shoal Creek and moved to Tenn. Rev. Jacob Yonce was called to Cowee, T. F. Arrington to Scott's Creek and Rev. A. B. Thomas to Shoal Creek. Rev. M. A. Love was called and accepted the work at Cullowhee. On the 17th of May Rev. A. B. Henson was shot and almost instantly killed by a 17 year old boy. He claimed it to be accidental. Rev. H. D. Welch has gone from first District to Montana.

A. B. THOMAS, Historian

Announced that J. W. Kesterson will preach at 8 p.m. T. N. Fork at Oak Grove to-night and A. E. Brown at the stand at 11:00 A. M. to-morrow. Adjourned.

SATURDAY—MORNING SESSION.

The Association was called to order at 9:00 a. m. by Moderator. Devotional exercises conducted by Rev. J. S. Woodard. Minutes of previous day read and approved.

J. L. Owen, D. W. Rickman, W. N. Allman, M. R. Phillips were appointed committee on nominations.

Rev. F. M. Morgan read report on Obituaries which was adopted.

FIRST DISTRICT, DIED.

Brethren—G. D. Franks and Marion Stiles.

Sisters—Nellie Hill, Alice Hoyle, Margaret Calhoun, D. A. Buchanan, Missouri Bumgarner, Mary Woodard, Martha Williams, Ellen Robiison, Haseltine Reed, Mary Wilks, Julia Dillard, Mary Parrish, Delia Phillips, Nancy Phillips, Rachel Hoxit, Zillie Potts.

SECOND DISTRICT, DIED.

Brethren—J. L. Benfield, E. L. Kimsey, Mark Tally, M. E. Yonce, Robert Dayes, M. J. Garland.

Sisters—Emma Heaton, Matilda Blaine, Sine Hood, J. Dundy, Rhoda Williamson, Elizabeth Buckner, Elizabeth Wild, Hester Brown, Tina Cochran, Florence Franks, Addie Adams, Belle Hall, O. Norton, Altha Lewis, Pattie Higdon, Josephine Ray, Mira Nichols.

Rev. J. D. Sitton read report on Time and Place, which was adopted. (See first minute.)

Report on Revision of Ministers Names read by W. L. Higdon and adopted (See first of minute)

Rev. W. E. Wilkins, Editor of Skyland Baptist and Rev. D. M. Presley, Flint River Association, were welcomed to seats in the body.

Report on Education was read by E. Lee Fox. Report spoken to by E. Lee Fox, W. R. Rickman, Thad. C. Bryson, J. W. Briggs, R. N. Henson, A. B. Thomas, W. L. Bradley, W. E. Wilkins, A. E. Brown, and adopted.

EDUCATION.

We rejoice in the rising interest in education all over our State. Our public schools have longer terms and better teachers, and are better patronized than ever before. We commend them to our people and urge that they patronize them as a means of primary education. The demand for christian instruction is greater than ever before, and high schools which emphasize the christian idea in education are being established at strategic points in our State. We rejoice that the Baptists are leading in this great movement in

our mountain section under the wise and energetic leadership of our Assistant Corresponding Secretary, Rev. A. E. Brown, nine Baptist High Schools have been planted, one of which is the property of this Association and is located among a people who are fostering it with zeal and earnestness. We therefore commend again our Collegiate Institute at Sylva to the parents who have boys and girls to educate. The building which is a well constructed and conveniently arranged brick building of five rooms, is about finished. We commend the wisdom of the trustees in their efforts to keep this institution free from debt. We heartily commend the plan of establishing intermediate schools in various parts of our territory. We furthermore rejoice at the increased patronage of Wake Forest College and the Baptist Female University, and commend them above all other colleges in the South to those who are able to complete their education.

E. LEE FOX,

THAD C. BRYSON,

L. H. GARLAND,

Committee

The sermon at 11:00 a. m. was delivered by Rev. A. E. Brown. Text Matt. 25:45, "In as much as ye did it not," at the close of which a collection was taken for the Sylva Collegiate Institute. Amount \$40 45.

Adjourned.

Benediction by J. W. Briggs.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

The Association re-assembled. Prayer by Livingston Johnson.

Rev. J. W. Briggs read the report on Foreign Missions. Motion that all opening speeches be limited to 15 minutes, all others to 5 minutes. Report spoken to by J. W. Briggs, Livingston Johnson, A. B. Thomas, C. C. Rickman and A. E. Brown.

FOREIGN MISSIONS.

With praises and thanksgivings to God should we acknowledge His manifold and continued blessings upon the work directed by the Foreign Mission Board of the Southern Baptist Convention.

Since Cary "the consecrated cobbler" first went as a missionary to India and gave to Baptist the high honor of starting the modern Missionary enterprise, there has been remarkable progress in this work, until Dr. R. J. Willingham, our faithful Secretary could say in

a recent publication: "The results have been wonderful. Nations have been searched out, languages have been mastered, reduced to writing and God's Word translated into them. Over four hundred tongues and dialects are made to shine forth with God's truth. Superstition and lies of abomination have discarded; prejudice and hate have given way to light and love. Volumes written could not tell of all the glorious results."

We give the following taken from the latest statistics of the Board:

Foreign Mission Work 1901-1902.

COUNTRIES.	Churches	Missionaries		Ordained Native Helpers	Unordained Native Helpers	Baptisms	Members	Contributions
		Males	Females					
China	24	23	36	11	60	484	2839	\$1066 58
Africa	6	2	5	2	11	93	452	1025 48
Italy	25	26	11		26	71	685	1167 44
Mexico	37	10	8	11	10	150	1186	855 41
Brazil	45	9	9	13	20	616	2542	9151 75
Japan	2	5	5	1	6	25	141	101 03
Total for 1902	139	51	64	38	160	1439	7821	13356 69
Total for 1901	127	46	56	41	130	1009	6773	
Gain	12	5	8		30	430	1048	

The collections of the Convention for the year were \$173,439.49. The largest amount ever received before was for the previous year, \$156,083.33. During the year North Carolina gave \$12,693.77 and the Tuckaseige Association \$32.41 an increase of the contributions of the previous year. The convention has planned to raise this year \$200,000 and asks North Carolina for \$13,000 of this amount. Will not this Association take advanced steps and try to raise at least \$100 for this object? Respectfully Submitted,

J. W. Briggs,
W. F. Cook,
Committee.

PLEDGES FOR FOREIGN MISSIONS.

Balsam Grove, \$1.00; Cullowhee, \$1.00; Dillsboro, \$5.00; East Fork, \$1.00; Hamburg, \$1.00; John's Creek \$1.25; Scott's Creek, \$2.50; Shoal Creek, \$2.00; Savannah, \$1.00; Sylva, \$10.00; Webster, \$1.00; Zion Hill, \$1.00; Burningtown, \$1.00; Briartown, \$1.00; Brush Creek .50; Coweta \$5.00; Cowee, \$5.00; Ellijay, \$1.00; Franklin, \$5.00; Highlands, \$3.00; Head of Tennessee, \$1.00; Middle Creek, \$1.00; Oak Dale, \$1.00; Oak Grove \$2.00; Pleasant Hill, \$2.00; Pine Grove, \$1.00; Sugar Fork, \$5.00; Watauga, \$2.00; Big Ridge, \$1.00; White Oak Flats, .50. Total \$65.75.

Orphanage report read and discussed by W. L. Bradley and adopted.

ORPHANAGE.

We have now at our orphan's home at Thomasville 230 children without parental care, wholly dependant upon the Baptist of this state for the sustenance of this life, physical, mental and spiritual. Your committee recommend that we make our contributions larger for the advancement of the Institution. As God has left them to our care we should never forget our duty towards them, while God is blessing us with health and a reasonable position of the good of this world.

F. M. Morgan,
A. B. Thomas,

STATE OF CHURCHES.

We find the majority of the churches have made progress during the year. Twenty seven have made gains, and only nine report a loss. The church letters report 106 baptisms. While the churches of the Association have made gains, the contributions are not what they should be.

F. M. MORGAN,
A. B. THOMAS,
Committee.

Report on Finance read by L. H. Garland and adopted. (See financial table)

J. W. Nash, Robt. R. Fisher, L. D. Cowan, W. O. Buchanan, Jno. E. Rickman, W. A. Henson, T. C. Bryson were appointed trustees of Sylva C. I

LIST OF TRUSTEES.

1st. J. W. Nash, R. R. Fisher, L. C. Cowan, W. O. Buchanan, J. E. Rickman, W. A. Henson, and T. C. Bryson.

2nd. J. M. Carpenter, W. L. Bradley, J. D. Stiles, E. H. Franks, Alex. Moore, L. A. Allen, P. C. Wild.

3rd. R. F. Jarrett, Lee Queen, A. B. Henson, Thad. C. Bryson, B. C. Grundstaff, M. Buchanan, D. H. Phillips.

Revs. W. L. Bradley and J. W. Kesterson were appointed messengers to (col.) Association which meets at Webster.

Ordered that any member of this body meeting with others of like faith, represent themselves as messengers from this body.

Revs. A. B. Thomas, J. D. Sitton, F. M. Morgan were appointed delegates to State Convention, and Rev. W. L. Bradley to Southern Baptist Convention, Rev. J. L. Kinsland, alternate.

The following resolutions read and adopted:

Resolved, That the thanks of this body be and are hereby extended to this community for their gracious and bountiful hospitality.

Resolved, We, believing that it is the duty of every saved person to try to save others, most respectfully urge that every pastor of every church should secure if possible, a contribution from every individual member for the support of missions

Announcements: Rev. D. M. Presley will preach at the church to night; W. E. Wilkins, at Harmony; F. M. Morgan, at Rose Creek; J. L. Kinsland, at Oak Grove; Livingston Johnson, at the stand at 11:00 a. m. to-morrow. Adjourned.

FOURTH DAY—SUNDAY.

The Association was called to order at 9:00 a. m. Devotional exercises by Rev. D. M. Presley. Minutes of yesterday read and approved.

Motion that the clerk superintend printing of minutes and that he be allowed \$6.00 for his services.

The following substitute for Art. 10 in the Constitution was offered and adopted. "It shall be the duty of the Clerk to have the Articles of Faith and the Constitution printed in the minutes annually." By L. H. Garland.

TREASURER'S REPORT.

Received for the different objects at this Association	\$40. 68
Minute fund	26 29
Total.	\$66 97
For amount each church paid for the different objects, see financial table.	T. C. BRYSON, Treasurer.

Rev. D. M. Presley read report on Sunday Schools which was spoken to by D. M. Presley, J. W. Kesterson, J. R. Pendergrass, W. L. Bradley and adopted.

SUNDAY SCHOOL REPORT.

We are aware that the Sunday School is both a spiritual and mental educator, therefore we urge that every church in this Association strive to have an ever green Sunday School. We suggest that the pastor and church co-operate in devising plans in their respective churches to awaken the highest interest possible. We further recommend that the Superintendent of each school keep in touch with the best methods of Sabbath School work by frequent correspondence with T. Neil Johnson, the State Secretary of Sabbath School work in North Carolina.

D. M. PRESLEY,
J. L. OWEN.
Committee.

Motion that the collection to-day be taken for State Missions.

Rev. C. C. Rickman was examined and ordained to the full work of the ministry. Examination led by Rev. A. B. Thomas, charge given by Rev. W. E. Wilkins, prayer by Rev. W. L. Bradley, Bible presented by Rev. Jacob Yonce. Song "All Hail the Power." Sermon at 11:00 a. m. by Rev. Livingston Johnson. Text Eph. 4:8. "He led Captivity Captive, and gave gifts unto men."

Prayer by A. E. Brown. Collections for State Missions, \$13 00.

TRUSTEES' REPORT

We have during the year past about completed the Institute building and have raised and expended about \$2,000. Our efforts to

keep out of debt have been successful. We owe only about \$100. The proper furnishing of the building will cost us about \$300. We have purchased an excellent piano, for the payment of which we do not ask the Association for a cent. We have added an art department to the school, and as early as possible we will add other departments, so that the school will offer advantages equal to any of its grade in the South. The faculty for this year will consist of five teachers, four of whom have been employed, the 5th is now under consideration. Thanking you for your contributions in the past, we are,

Respectfully yours,

THAD. C. BRYSON, Sec. and Treas.

The Association now adjourned to Time and Place.

ELDER P. R. RICKMAN, Moderator.

R. M. LEDFORD, Clerk.

ARTICLES OF FAITH.

FIRST. We believe in one only living and true God, and that there are three persons in the God-head—the Father, the Son and the Holy Ghost—and that these three are one in substance, and equal in power and glory.

SECOND. We believe that the Scriptures of the old and New Testament are the Word of God, and the only rule of faith and practice.

THIRD. We believe in the doctrine of Original Sin.

FOURTH. We believe in man's impotency to recover himself from the fallen state he is in by his own free will and ability.

FIFTH. We believe that sinners are justified in the sight of God only by the imputed righteousness of Jesus Christ.

SIXTH. We believe that Baptism and the Lord's Supper are ordinances instituted by Christ, and that true believers are the only proper subjects thereof.

SEVENTH. We believe that saints shall persevere in grace, and that they never shall finally fall away.

EIGHTH. We believe that immersion is essential to baptism.

NINTH. We believe that no person has a right to administer the ordinances but such as are regularly called and qualified thereunto.

TENTH. We believe in the resurrection of the dead and a general judgment; that the punishment of the wicked shall be everlasting and the joys of the righteous eternal.

ELEVENTH. We the members of the Tuckaseige Baptist Association, agreeing to the above articles of faith, and having been led, as we believe by the spirit of God to receive the Lord Jesus Christ as our Saviour, and on the profession of our faith having been baptized in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost, we do now, in the presence of God. Angels and this assembly, most solemnly and joyfully enter into this covenant with one another as one body in Christ.

TWELFTH. We engage, therefore, by the aid of the Holy Spirit, to work together in Christian love; to strive for the advancement of this Association in knowledge, holiness and comfort; to promote its prosperity and spirituality; to contribute cheerfully and regularly to the support of the ministry, the expense of this body, the relief of the poor and the spread of the gospel through all nations.

THIRTEENTH. We also engage to maintain family and secret devotion; to religiously educate our children; to seek the salvation of our kindred and acquaintances; to walk circumspectly in the world; to be just in our dealings, faithful in our engagements and exemplary in our deportment; to avoid all tattling, back biting and use of intoxicating drinks as a beverage; and to be zealous in our efforts to advance the kingdom of our Saviour.

FOURTEENTH. We further engage to watch over one another in brotherly love; to remember each other in prayer; to aid each other in sickness and distress; to cultivate Christian sympathy in feeling and courtesy in speech; to be slow to offend, but always ready for reconciliation, and mindful of the rules of our Saviour to secure it without delay.

CONSTITUTION.

ARTICLE 1. This Association shall be called the Tuckaseige Baptist Association.

Art. 2. The primary objects of this Association are to extend Christ's Kingdom at home and abroad, to foster the Sunday School work, to encourage and support Christian education and the Baptist Orphanage at Thomasville.

Art. 3. It shall be composed of male members chosen by missionary Baptist churches, sent to represent them in the Association; and who have complied with this Constitution.

Art. 4. In the certificates should be expressed the number baptized, received by letter, restored, dismissed, excluded, and names of the deceased, total number of members, the contributions for minutes, education, State, Home and Foreign Missions, Orphanage, pastor's salary and other objects, since the last Association, the time of meeting, number of ordained ministers, names of pastor, clerk, Sunday School Superintendent and their postoffices, number of Sunday Schools, officers and teachers, average attendance and total number enrolled.

Art. 5. This Association shall have no power to lord it over God's heritage. Nor shall it have any clerical power over the church or infringe upon any of their internal rights in the Association.

Art. 6. The Association shall have a Moderator, Clerk, Treasurer and Historian, who shall be elected by a majority of the whole vote.

Art. 7. This Association shall have the right to determine what churches shall be admitted as members of this body.

Art. 8. This Association shall have the right to withdraw her fellowship from any church for not complying with her rules, or for violating the orthodox principles of the Gospel.

Art. 9. Each church in this Association shall be entitled to three delegates, and one additional delegate for each \$5 00 contributed to the five objects mentioned in Article 4, and in addition may send the eldership of the church as delegates.

Art. 10. It shall be the duty of the clerk to have the Articles of Faith and Constitution printed in the minutes annually.

Art. 11. The Association shall appoint a Board of Trustees for the "Tuckaseige Sylva Collegiate Institute," consisting of twenty one members; seven of whom shall constitute a quorum. The first seven to serve one year, the second seven to serve two years, the third seven to serve three years. These trustees are empowered to receive and hold school property for the Association; to select teachers, and attend to such other business as may be necessary for the educational interest of the Association. The Association shall appoint seven Trustees annually and fill all vacancies as occur by resignation or otherwise. Said Trustees are required to report annually to the Association.

Art. 12. This Constitution may be altered or amended by a two thirds vote of the members present.

T. C. BRYSON,
J. D. SITTON,
J. L. OWEN,
E. N. QUEEN,
Committee.

SECOND DISTRICT--STATISTICAL AND FINANCIAL TABLE.

CHURCHES.	PASTOR.	CLERK.	POST OFFICE.	Sunday of Meeting	Baptized	Received by Letter	Restored	Dis. by Let.	Excluded.	Deceased.	Membership	Pastor's Salary.	Value of Ch. Property	Pd. for Ch. Building	Education	State Missions	Home Missions	Foreign Missions	Orphanage	Minutes	County Missions	Other Objects
Burningtown	J. S. Woodard	J. L. Paus	Bithdale	2	2	1	10	1	1	1	172	\$50 00	\$ 800 00							55		
Briartown	J. S. Woodard	J. J. May	Flats	7	8	4	2	2	2	1	124	50 00								1 00		
Brush Creek	T. T. Peck	Z. J. Peck	Cullasaja	4	4	3	2	2	3	2	96	25 00								90		21 c4
Coweta	T. N. Ford	B. H. Carpenter	Wick's Store	4	4	2	8	2	1	1	138	75 00	1000 00	30 00		2 961	002 77	1 50		85		
Cartoogachaye	Jacob Yonce	T. C. Bryson	Roane's Mill	4	6	4	6	2	1	1	157	50 00				1 38				85		
Clear Creek		H. H. Dills									77	50 00								55		
Ellijay	F. M. Morgan	Alex Moore	Ellijay			2	1	1	1	1	114	60 00		100 00						75		
Franklin	J. W. Briggs	W. N. Allman	Franklin			3	2	5	2	5	127	200 00			10 001	951	833 39	4 75	1 50	1 50		
Highlands	J. W. Briggs	W. T. Potts	Highlands			1	5	3	3	3	33				2 00		5 00	4 00	1 20	30		
Head of Tenn.	G. R. Brown	G. W. Grist	Dillard, Ga.	28	4	4	12	2	2	2	137	200 00								1 20		
Liberty	J. S. Woodard	Z. M. Leatherman	Leatherman	4	7	3	4	5	1	1	128	50 00			1 00		541 00	1 25	45	1 15		
Mountain Grove	J. D. Sitton	D. W. Blaine	Franklin	4	1	10	1	1	1	1	43	25 00					731 00	80	60	60		
Mt. Hope	T. N. Ford	W. H. Hasket	Jerf	1	1						50	25 00					2 00	33	1 00	60		
Oak Grove	W. L. Bradley	L. H. Garland	Scaly	1	3	3	4	1	1	1	74	40 00		8 00		2 01	4 65		33	60		5 26
Oak Dale	Z. Carswell	Jas. Swafford	Burningtown	12	12	4	1	1	6	1	90	45 00								55		
Pleasant Hill	J. L. Kinsland	Robert Shamey	Leeds	3	3	2	1	1	1	1	64	36 00								55		
Pine Grove	M. A. Love	C. Vinson	Cullasaja	10	10	2	2	1	2	2	153	75 00	300 00							40		14 00
Sugar Fork	J. W. Briggs	T. R. Arnold	Cullasaja	3	19	3	1	2	1	1	63									40		
Tesenta	J. L. Kinsland	W. B. Long	Otto	14	14	2	3	3	3	2	131									30		
Watauga	W. L. Bradley	J. B. Elmore	Franklin								20	35 00	600 00	300 00	755	301 00				1 00		
White Oak Flats	Jacob Yonce	W. A. Scispee	Kyle								20	35 00								55		

FIRST DISTRICT--STATISTICAL AND FINANCIAL TABLE.

CHURCHES.	PASTORS.	CLERKS.	POST OFFICE.	Sunday of Meeting		Received by Letter	Restored.	Dis by Letter.	Excluded.	Deceased.	Total Membership.	Pastors Salary.	Value of Church Property.	For Church Bldg.	For Education.	State Missions.	Home Missions.	Foreign Missions.	Orphanage.	For Minutes.	County Missions.	
				No Baptized.																		
Balsam Grove	W F Cook	J T Henson	Rich Mt'n	2	11						1 59	\$									\$ 54	\$
Barker's Creek	M A Loye	W L Henson	Painter		5	1		1			4 154	75									1 15	2 50
Callowhee	T F Deitz	W D Monteth	Dillsboro	2	2	3		1			65	75	1500									75
Caney Fork	A L Beck	W T Deitz	Deitz								1 77	40										30
Dillsboro	J L Owen	W R Owen	Glenville	4	5	2	2	6			1 106											80
East Fork	B N Queen	W J Parker	Cowarts								92	36	1000								61	1 00
Hamburg	T D Watson	G W Pangle	Dillsboro	1	14		1	2	4	1							2 00					60
John's Creek	T F Arrington	W H T Billard	Alice								2 100		550									90
Locust Field	T F Arrington	W B Henry	Addie	4	9	6		3			6 250	75	2500									1 00
Mount Pleasant	T D Watson	E C Ashe	Dillsboro	2	8		1	2	1	1	1 124		850									90
Ochr Hill	J W Kesterson	A J Long, Jr.	Sylva								1 87	100		5	135	2 50	3 70					1 00
Scott's Creek	T F Deitz	W L Cowan	Webster				3	1	3	4		95										63
Shoal Creek	J L Owen	Robert Potts	Bessie	2	4						76						65					55
Savannah	J D Sitton	W D Bishop	Rig Ridge		12		3	4		5	117	36	800						1 00			35
Sylva	L W Hooper	Wilbe More									14											30
Sol's Creek																						55
Webster																						1 00
Wolf Creek																						55
Yellow Mountn																						1 00
Zion Hill																						35
Big Ridge																						30

Scotts Creek Church—For Other Objects, \$2.50.

SUNDAY SCHOOL REPORT, FIRST DISTRICT.

CHURCHES.	Supt.	Post Office.	No. of Scholars	Officers and Teachers	No. of Pupils	Yerage Attend	Collection for School	Collected for Missions	Orphanage	Other Objects
Balsam Grove			1	3	55					
Barker's Creek			2	11	78	60	80			
Caney Fork			1	6	56	32	20			1489
Dillsboro			1	6	56	32	20			
East Fork			1	5	98	68	5	16	2	03
Dillsboro			1	5	30					
John's Creek			1	5	30					
Locust Field			1	6	65	42	67			
Ochr Hill			1	8	100	75	00			
Scott's Creek			1	5	100	75	00			
Shoal Creek			1	4	121	82	70			
Savannah			1	6	82	46				
Sylva			1	6	82	46				
Sol's Creek			5	5	182	64	95			
Webster			1	2	36	30				
Yellow Mountn			1	1	39	36				46
Zion Hill			1	1	36	30				

SUNDAY SCHOOL REPORT, SECOND DISTRICT.

CHURCHES	SUPT.	POST OFFICE	No. of Schools	Officers and Teachers	No. of Pupils	Average Attendance	Col. for School	Col. for Mis.	Other Objects
Burningtown	J. L. Fouts	Blittdale	1	8	55	65	\$ 2 5/		
Briartown			1	6	75		7 00		
Brush Creek	E. N. Bates	Wikie's store	1	7	58	90	5 35	2 51	3 00
Coweta	F. T. Raby	Leatherman	2	12	170		4 40	4 20	
Cowee	J. M. Dalton								
Carfoogechaye	C. A. Setser	Nonah	1	6	50	35			
Elijay	Alex Moore	Elijay	1	7	64	40	3 04	5 30	
Franklin	H. H. Jarrett	Franklin	1	6	83	52	13 00	1 00	
Highlands	I. N. Arnold	Highlands	1	4	28	20	12 00	5 00	
Head of Tenn.	D. W. Rickman	Rabun Gap Ga.	2	11	120		8 00	3 82	
Liberty	C. F. Garland	Leatherman	1	5	70	45	4 48		
Mt. Hope	J. M. Mason	Crawford	1	5	40	35	2 00	1 00	
Mountain Grove	E. G. Crawford	Jerd	1	8	100	65	3 00		
Middle Creek	T. L. Fox	Scaly	1	5	69	38	9 18		
Oak Grove	R. E. Kinsey	Etna	1	7	61	37	6 00		
Pleasant Hill	W. H. Morrison	Burningtown	1	6	55	60	2 08		
Pine Grove	T. R. Ledford	Leeds	1	5	60	40	2 05		
Sugar Fork	J. E. Henson	Cullasaja	1	6	45	45	2 59		
Te-enta	W. R. London	Higdonville	2	10	82	53	5 40		
Watauga	I. C. M. Bolick	Otto	1	6	66	33	5 54		
White Oak Flats	W. L. Long	Dean	2	13	139		12 10		5 19
	H. D. Dean	Franklin	1	1	43	30	3 50		
	R. F. Henry								
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