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PROCEEDINGS.

The introductory sermon was preached by Elder G. D. Roberson from 1st Corinthians, 1st chapter, 25th verse.

After a short intermission the Association came together and was organized by appointing Elder S. Hassell, Moderator, and Elder M. T. Lawrence, Clerk.

The following committees were appointed, on finance: Brethren McBrantley and P. I. Allsbrook; on arrangements of preaching, Moderator and Clerk, and Elder M. B. Williford and Brother C. Whitfield.

Visiting ministers and brethren from sister Associations invited to seats with us.

Elders Bryant, Burch and Adams preached at the stand to-day.

Letters from 37 churches were received and read and names of messengers and standing of churches enrolled in table of churches.

Called for correspondence when the following were received:

White Oak—Elder Gardner Bryant and Minutes.

Contentnea—Geo. W. Hales and Minutes.

Country Line—Elder J. A. Burch, Elder L. H. Hardy and E. A. Stanfield, J. W. Gilliam and Minutes.

Little River—Elder J. E. Adams, Minutes.

Black Creek—Elders Jas. and Wm. Woodard and J. F. Farmer and P. D. Gold, Minutes

Eno—Minutes.

Center District—Minutes.

Mayo—Minutes.

Baltimore—Elder S. H. Durand and Minutes.

Mountain District—Minutes.

Mill Branch—Minutes.

Upatoi—Minutes.

New River—Minutes.

Corresponding, Va.—Minutes.

Abbott's Creek—Minutes.

Warwick—Elder Durand and Minutes.

Salisbury—Elder Durand and Minutes.

Delaware—Elder Durand and Minutes.

Delaware River—Elder Durand and Minutes.

Seven Mile—Minutes.

Ocmulgee—Minutes.

Staunton River—Minutes.

Fisher's River—Minutes.

Etcheconnee—Minutes.

Primitive Ebenzer—Minutes.

Elder A. J. Moore visitor from Toisnot church.

Elder McP. Smith was appointed to write a corresponding letter to be attached to these minutes.

Petitionary letters were called for, when a letter from Bath Creek church, in Beaufort county, was read and received and the Moderator extended the messengers the right hand of fellowship.

Resolved, That our next Association be held with the church at Bear Grass, Martin county and that Elder M. T. Lawrence preach the introductory sermon and that Elder G. D. Roberson be his alternate, worship to begin at 11 o'clock. Then adjourned until tomorrow at 9 o'clock.

THURSDAY, SEPT. 29, 1904.

After singing and prayer Elder S. H. Durand preached from Ephesians 5th chapter and 25th verse, "Husbands love your wives even as Christ also loved the church and gave himself for it."

Elder P. D. Gold followed and preached from Phillipians 3rd chap. 13 and 14th verses, "Eret're I count not myself to have apprehended, but this one thing to do, forgetting those things which are behind and reaching forth unto those things which are before, I press toward the mark for the prize of the high calling of God in Christ Jesus."

After an intermission of an hour Elder R H Pitman followed and preached from the 19th chapter of Luke and 33rd verse, "But a certain Samaritan as he journeyed, came where he was, and when he saw him he had compassion on him."

Elder William Woodard preached the last sermon of the day from James, 1st chapter, 22d to 25th inclusive, "But ye doers of the word and not hearers only" etc.

The Association assembled and was opened with praise and prayer by Elder P. D. Gold and proceeded to business.

The names of the Messengers were called and those absent marked in the table of churches.

The corresponding letter was called for, read and approved and ordered to be attached to these minutes.

The Committee on Finance reported as follows:

In hand of Clerk at close of last Association.....	\$58.89
Paid for printing minutes and postage.....	\$ 32.50
Clerk's fees	15.00
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	\$11.39
Balance on hand:	
Received from the churches this time.....	\$ 49.30
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	\$60.69
Paid visiting ministers and postage.....	5.75
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Leaving in hand of Clerk at the close of the Association.....	\$ 54.85

Report received and committee discharged.

The following brethren were appointed Messengers to sister Associations:

Country Line—Elder G. D. Roberson and I. W. Bass and Minutes.

Baltimore—Elder G. D. Roberson and Minutes.

Contentnea—Minutes.

White Oak—Minutes.

Black Creek—Elder G. D. Roberson, W. W. Vick, W. Trevathan, Minutes.

Abbott's Creek—Minutes

Little River—Minutes.

Eno—Minutes.

Resolved That we correspond by Minutes with the following Associations: Delaware and Delaware River, Elder G. D. Roberson and Minutes. By Minutes, corresponding Virginia Mountain District, Warwick, Salisbury, Mill Branch, Fisher's River, Upatoi, Ocmulgee, Mayo, Etcheconne, Primitive Ebenezer, Senter District and New River.

The following appointments were made for South Quay church:

November, 1904—Elder W. B. Strickland.

December—

January—

February—Elder M. B. Williford.

March—Elder J. E. Adams.

May—Elder McP. Smith

June—Elder Charles Meads.

July—Elder S. Hassell.

August—Elder Jno. N. Rogerson.

September—

Brother J. W. Lupton was appointed to write the biography of Elder L. S. Ross to be printed in these Minutes. Also the one written of Elder K. McG. White by Elder M. T. Lawrence to be attached to the Minutes also.

The majority of the churches heard from reported that they desired the Association held at the same time as before the change and it was agreed that it be held hereafter on the first Sunday in October and the Saturday before and Monday following.

It is agreed that any member of this association visiting any Association with whom we correspond be authorized to represent this Association.

Resolved. 1st. That we return thanks to God as much as in us for the excellent weather, order and peace of our body and to the brethren, sisters and friends in this community for their liberal hospitality and kindness in the entertainment of this Association.

Resolved. 2. That this Association discountenances, condemns and forbids all kinds of trading and misbehavior on or around the church grounds and will in the future punish the same to the full extent of the law, and it recommends to the churches composing it that they have their places of meeting incorporated and protected against lawlessness.

It is agreed that our Clerk have 2,500 of these Minutes printed and distributed among the churches and Associations with whom we correspond and record one copy on our records and that he be allowed fifteen dollars for his services. The Association then adjourned to the time and place appointed.

S. HASSELL, Moderator.

M. T. LAWRENCE, Clerk

I. W. BASS, J. C. MOORE.

Asst. Clerks.

FRIDAY, SEPT, 30, 1904.

Elder L. H. Hardy introduced the services with singing and prayer and preached from the 46th Psalm and 48th verse, "There is a river the streams whereof shall make glad the city of God, the holy place of the tabernacles of the Most High."

Elder S. H. Durand preached the last sermon from the 12th chapter of Matthew, 42nd verse, "The queen of the south shall rise up in the judgment with this generation and shall condemn it: for she came from the uttermost parts of the earth to hear the wisdom of Solomon and behold a greater than Solomon is here."

The Moderator made some timely remarks in dismission and closed with the 625th hymn.

The weather was fine, the order good and the preaching able and comforting. May the divine blessing.

and comforting. May the divine blessing attend.

CORRESPONDING LETTER.

The 139th session of the Kehukee Primitive Baptist Association held at Nashville, Nash county, N. C., to her sister associations with whom she corresponds, sends this, her annual epistle of love.

Dear Brethren in the Lord:—It is love that unites us together; it was love inexpressible that caused the Son of God to lay down his own life for his bride. Now abideth faith, hope and charity. The greatest of these is charity because it is the love of God shed abroad in our hearts. It is stronger than death.

We are always glad to have your ministers and messengers with us. We hope to have them with us at our next session, appointed to be held with the church at Bear Grass, Martin county, N. C., commencing Saturday before the first Sunday in October and continue three days.

M. T. LAWRENCE,
Clerk.

S. HASSELL,
Moderator.

NAMES OF MINISTERS AND THEIR P. O. ADDRESSES.

J. I. Ambrose	Cherry N. C
J. D. Armstrong	Rocky Mount, N. C
David Carter	Pungo River, N. C.
*C. G. Dowdy,	Harbinger, N. C.
N. H. Harrison	Plymouth, N. C.
Sylvester Hassell	Williamston, N. C
J. W. Johnson	Whitakers, N. C.

Lawrence Johnson	Tarboro, N. C.
James H. Latham	Pine Town, N. C.
M. T. Lawrence	Hamilton, N. C.
McP. Smith	Robersonville, N. C.
*M. D. Twiford	East Lake, N. C.
*W. H. Peal	Williamston, N. C.
L. J. Deberry	Bath, N. C.
Charles Meades	E. City, R. F. D. No. 2.
*John S. Meads	Kehukee, N. C.
Samuel Moore	Bethel, N. C.
Henry Peel,	Jamesville, N. C.
John L. Ross	Stokes, N. C.
George D. Roberson	Robersonville, N. C.
J. N. Rogerson	Williamston, N. C.
W. F. Staton	Scotland Neck, N. C.
W. B. Strickland	Scotland Neck, N. C.
D. W. Topping,	Pantego, N. C.
A. D. Mizzell	Jamesville, N. C.
M. B. Williford	Rocky Mount, N. C.
*S. R. Hardison	Jamesville, N. C.
W. H. Leggett	Scotland Neck N. C.
A. L. Harrison	Plymouth, N. C.
*J. B. Roebuck	Stokes, N. C.

NAMES OF CHURCHES, CLERKS AND THEIR POST OFFICES.

Bath Creek—David E. Mason, Bath, N. C.

Bear Grass—J. H. D. Peal, Williamston, N. C.

Bethlehem (Tyrrell) C. H. Davenport, Columbia, N. C.

Beulah—J. W. Lupton, Slaiesville, N. C.

Briery Swamp—G. W. James, Whichards, N. C.

Concord—A. W. Ambrose, Cherry, N. C.

W. H. Ambrose, Conetoe, N. C.

Conoho—N. M. Worsely, Conoho, N. C.

Coinjock—Pierce Hampton Coinjock, N. C.

Cross Roads—Wm. Ward, Bethel, N. C.

Cypress Grove—B. K. Davis, Leachville, N. C.

Deep Creek—W. P. Roberson, Scotland Neck, N. C.

- Elim—C. C. Aydlett, Elizabeth City, N. C.
 Falls Tar River—I. W. Bass, Rocky Mount, N. C.
 Flat Swamp—J. C. Andrews, Robersonville, N. C.
 Flatty Creek—Charles Meads, Elizabeth City, N. C., R. F. D. No. 2.
 Great Swamp—D. H. James, Greenville, N. C., R. F. D. No. 5.
 Hopeland—J. C. Moore, Whitakers, N. C.
 Hamilton—Jesse Johnson, Hamilton N. C.
 Jamesville—Marcellas Stubbs Jamesville, N. C.
 Kehukee—B. I. Allsbrook, Scotland Neck, N. C.
 Lawrence—J. M. Howell, Speed, N. C.
 Lebanon—Edward Twiford, East Lake N. C.
 Morrattock—Benj. Clifton, Plymouth, N. C.
 Mt. Zion—F. M. Mizzell, Palmyra, N. C.
 Nashville—L. G. Edwards, Rocky Mount, N. C., R. F. D. No. 2.
 North Creek—J. C. Smith, Ransomville N. C.
 Providence—Fred Perry, Kitty Hawk, N. C.
 Pungo—John Carter, Pungo, N. C.
 Rocky Swamp—J. N. Shearin, Heathville, N. C.
 Sandy Grove—Mack Brantly, Spring Hope, N. C.
 Singleton—D. L. Ross, Washington, N. C.
 Skewarky—Eli Taylor, Williamston, N. C.
 So. Mattamuskeet—C. F. Benson, Swan Quarter, N. C.
 South Quay—G. A. Johnson, Franklin, Va.
 Sparta—J. A. Cobb, Conetoe, N. C.
 Smithwick's Creek—W. H. Daniel, Jamesville, N. C.
 Spring Green—S. L. Grimes, Robersonville, N. C.
 Salem—B. B. Ricks, Aventon, N. C.
 Tarboro—D. T. Billups, Tarboro, N. C.
 Williams—W. W. Vick Battleboro N. C.
 White Plains—H. N. Waters, Pine Town, N. C.

Sandy Grove.....	Nash.....	H. Strickland, Mc.Brantley.....	4	1	1	25	1	00
Singleton.....	Beaufort.....	D. T. Ross.....	2	1	15	15	50	
Skewarky.....	Martin.....	Elder S. Hassell, Eli Taylor.....	2	6	63	2	00	
So. Mattamuskeet.....	Hyde.....	C. F. Benson, D. M. Carrawan.....	1	2	72	1	50	
Salem.....	Nash.....	B. B. Ricks, T. J. Moore.....	2	2	8	1	00	
South Quay.....	Southampton	By Letter.....	1	7	7		50	
Sparta.....	Edgecombe.....	By Letter.....	4	19	19	1	00	
Smithwick's Creek.....	Martin.....	Simon D. Ward, Kader Lilly.....	4	2	78	1	50	
Spring Green.....	Martin.....	Elder G. D. Roberson, John B. Hurrongs.....	4	5	71	1	50	
Tarboro.....	Edgecombe.....	W. H. Bradley, D. T. Billups.....	1	1	56	2	1	50
White Plains.....	Beaufort.....	Elder J. H. Latham, T. W. Boyd*.....	1	3	47	1	00	
Williams.....	Edgecombe.....	W. W. Vick, R. E. Pittman.....	3	2	50	4	1	50

Absentees marked *

Churches not heard from numbers stated as last reported.

TABLE NINTH

ELDER KING M'G. WHITE.

He was the son of Calvin White and wife Mary, and was born in Martin county, N. C., August 28, 1861, and died August 21, 1904, thus lacking one week being 43 years old. He was married to Miss Lindy Taylor, December 1, 1886, by whom he had nine children, five of them preceding him to the grave, and four yet survive him three boys and one girl. He united with the church at Hamilton, N. C., on the first Saturday in April 1891, and was baptized in Roanoke river, by the writer on Sunday. The church, seeing the Lord had given him a gift of some kind, agreed on the first Saturday in June, 1897, to give him the privilege to exercise it in the churches around us. He manifested that he was blessed of the Lord with a gift to expound the scriptures and edify the Lord's people, and therefore on Saturday before the first Sunday in December, 1900, it was agreed that he be ordained to the work of the ministry. On Sunday he was set apart by the presbytery chosen for that purpose, consisting of Elders G. D. Roberson, Samuel Moore, and myself. "He was diligent in business, fervent in spirit, serving the Lord" and was an upright, sincere, humble, godly, and useful man and an excellent farmer. He grew more and more acceptable in his brief but earnest ministry, and will be greatly missed in many respects. How wonderfully mysterious are the ways of the Lord! We had hoped he would be spared for many years. We are bowed down with grief, but yet desire to be resigned to the Lord's most holy and righteous will. May the Lord be a father and guide to the little fatherless and motherless ones he has left behind and comfort his bereaved family. I spoke at his home before his body was removed to its last resting place to many sorrowing and sympathizing ones, and Brother Hassell held a comforting and impressive service at the grave, where his mortal remains were laid beside his dear companion who had shortly preceded him, and where were deposited also the bodies of the little ones who had gone before. His little babe, his dear wife, he, and his father have all gone in about nine months. He had the best of attention by neighbors and friends and physicians, but fell a victim to that dread disease, typhoid fever, at last.

Rest, my dearest brother, from the toils to which thou wast born,
Until the trumpet shall awake thee in the resurrection morn.

M. T. LAWRENCE.

Hamilton, N. C., August 16, 1904.

LEMUEL S. ROSS.

After an eight day illness of congestion, Elder Lemuel S. Ross departed this life the 5th day of October, 1903. He was born the 15th of April, 1833, in Beaufort county, N. C. He united with the Primitive Baptist church at Beulah Hyde county, in July, 1852. About three years after he united with the church he was ordained to the ministry and continued to preach to the comfort and edification of the brethren as long as he lived. Brother Ross was a good man in all that term implies, a kind and obliging neighbor, an affectionate husband, and an indulgent father. He was married four times. His third wife who preceeded him to the grave three years ago, was my only sister in the flesh. His last wife was sister Lina Swindell, who yet survives him. He left three sons by his second wife. In his death the family and church will feel most sensibly their loss: while others may soon forget him the family and church will have cause to lament his absence. While we feel deeply our loss we are sure it is great gain to our dear departed brother for precious in the sight of the Lord is the death of his saints. Then let us humbly bow to the will of him who doeth all things well, believing and hoping in the morning of the resurrection we will meet him together with all the redeemed adorned in that robe of righteousness of Christ that fadeth not away.

His toils are past, his work is done and he is fully blest
He has fought the fight, the victory won, and entered into rest.



