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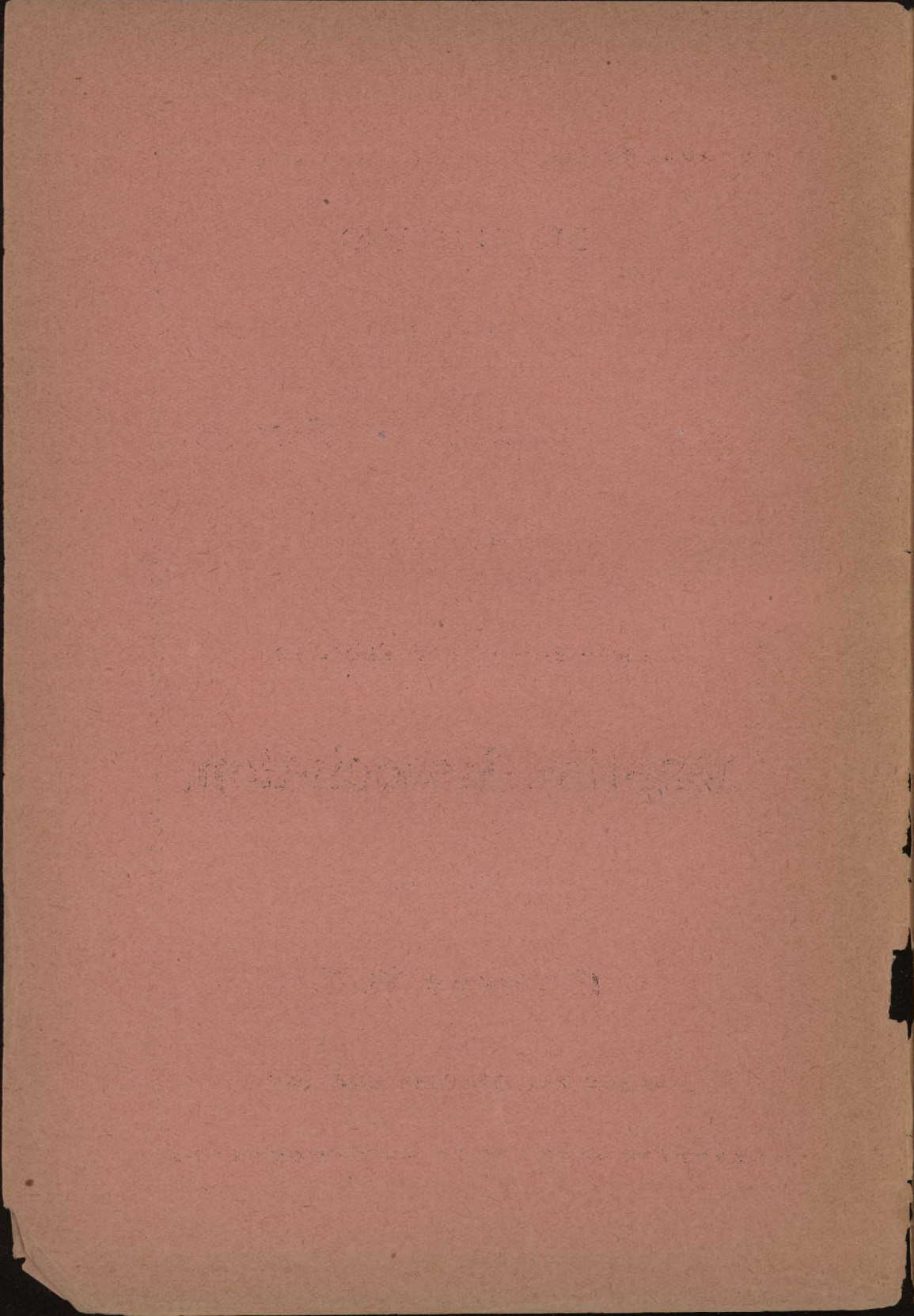
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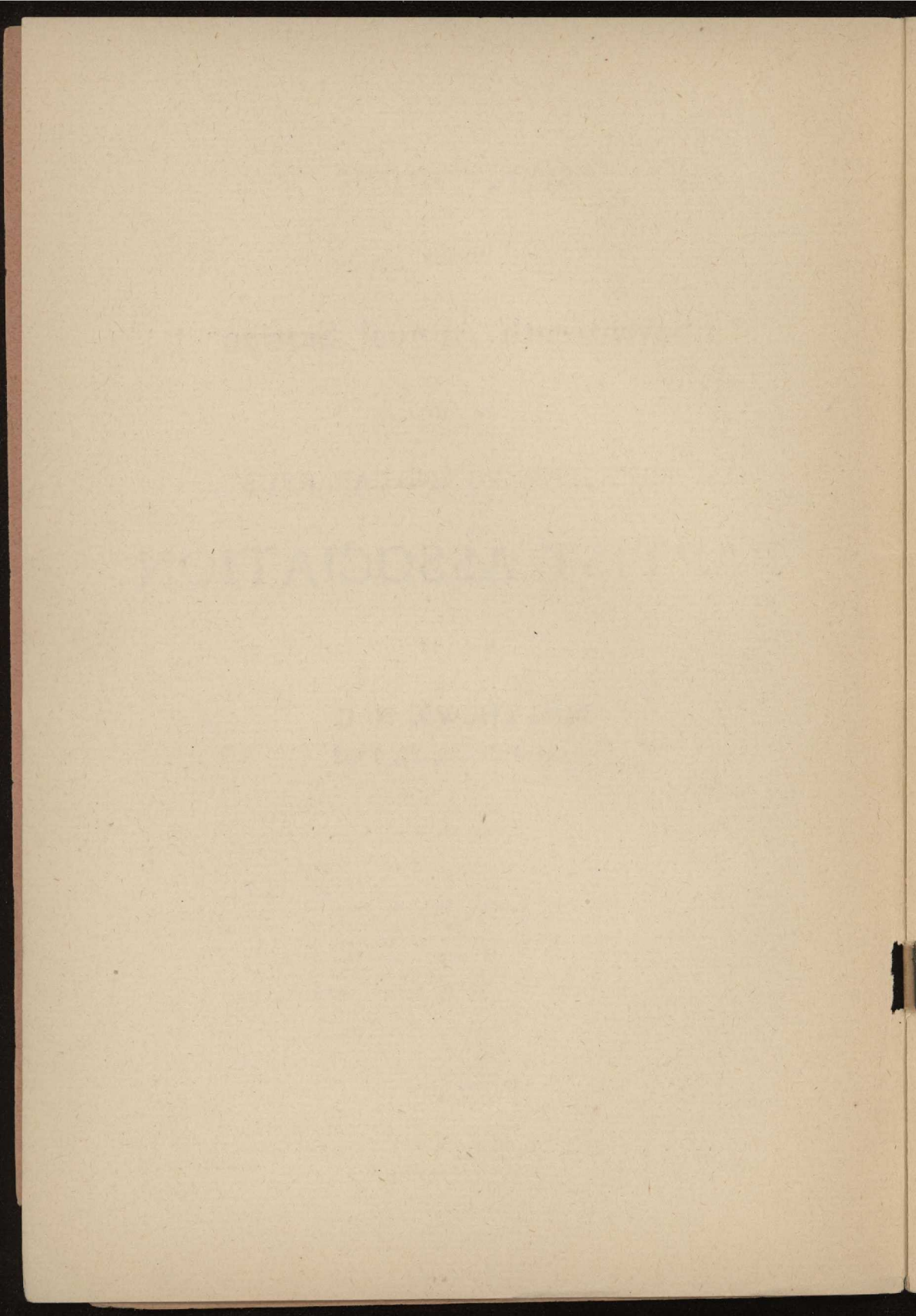


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The next session will be held at
Arlington, N. C., beginning Thursday
before the 4th Sunday in August, at 11
o'clock A. M. Introductory sermon by
Rev. J. Q. Adams, Charlotte, N. C.
Alternate, Rev. D. M. Austin, Char-
lotte.



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Rev. L. R. Pruett.

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D. M. Austin Charlotte, N. C.

A. C. Barron, D. D. Charlotte, N. C.

A. W. Crabtree Arlington, N. C.

S. F. Conrad Charlotte, N. C.

W. H. Dodd Charlotte, N. C.

D. F. Helms Charlotte, N. C.

J. J. McLendon Indian Trail, N. C.

L. R. Pruett Charlotte, N. C.

J. E. Smith Concord, N. C.

W. T. Talbirt Concord, N. C.

REPORT of ASSOCIATION

MATTHEWS, N. C., THURSDAY, AUGUST 21, 1902.

The 17th annual session of the Mecklenburg and Cabarrus Association met with the Matthews Baptist Church at 11 A. M., with the Moderator, L. R. Pruett, in the chair.

The Moderator announced that, owing to the absence of Rev. Walter H. Dodd, the introductory sermon would be preached by Prof. W. R. Collum, of Wake Forest.

Hymn No. 162, Gospel Hymns, was sung, and Bro. Collum read the 10th chapter of Romans, and Rev. J. Q. Adams led in prayer, after which the speaker took for his text the first 15 verses of the chapter read, and preached a powerful sermon, one calculated to stir all present to greater activity. Prayer by Bro. Arch. Johnston, and all joined in singing that old hymn, "Rescue the Perishing."

The Moderator announced that an adjournment would be had until 3 P. M.

Rev. D. M. Austin suggested that a committee on order of business be appointed in order that they might be able to report to the afternoon session, and the Moderator named the committee as follows: J. Q. Adams, D. M. Austin, J. F. Davis.

The committee on hospitality requested all Messengers and visitors to report immediately after adjournment, in order for all to be provided with homes.

Benediction pronounced by Prof. Collum.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

Enrollment of Delegates.

The Association called to order at 3 P. M. by the Moderator and that old familiar hymn "Come Thou Fount of Every Blessing" sung, and prayer by Rev. J. F. Davis.

The roll call of churches made, and following responded, and messengers enrolled as follows:

- Arlington—A. R. Hartis, E. H. Williams, J. S. Long, F. M. McConnell.
- Chaney's Hill—J. F. Chaney.
- Clear Creek—L. S. Pigg, J. F. Reader, H. W. Pigg, N. J. Ferguson.
- Cold Water—T. V. Talbirt, W. W. Talbirt.
- First Church Concord—J. W. Collett, J. D. McLester.
- Friendship—J. T. Mitchell, U. N. Mitchell, Covington Garrison.
- Hopewell—G. M. Winecoff, A. P. Sweet.
- Howells—L. T. Bost, H. T. Stowe, T. D. Joyner, D. W. Stone.
- Independence Hill—J. B. Flowers, J. C. Godfrey, J. R. Adkins, C. S. Davis.
- Long Creek—G. C. Crump, L. L. Grass.
- Louise—C. M. Robinson, C. F. Childress.
- Matthews—E. J. Funderburk, T. A. Newell, G. C. Funderburk.
- Newells—Lee Barber, G. A. Bumgarner.
- Phaniels—W. A. Yost.
- Pleasant Plains—J. E. Broom, J. J. McLendon, H. L. Helms.
- Pritchard Memorial—W. F. Dowd, J. J. Ezell, V. O. Willis, J. Q. Adams, Jr., R. W. Adams.
- Rock Hill—A. D. Crisco.
- Second Church Concord—W. F. Philman.
- Tryon Street—J. A. Durham, A. B. Justice, H. G. Harper, I. W. Durham, W. C. Dowd.

Twelfth Street—W. M. Lyles, T. J. Sprinkle, T. M. Alexander, C. F. Stroupe.

Wilson's Grove—E. S. Rushen, Robert Mungo.

The Moderator appointed T. J. Renfrow and Arch. Johnston reading clerks.

Applications to become members of the Association, from Pritchard Memorial and Second Church, Concord, were presented, and same referred to committee as follows: J. A. Durham, E. H. Williams, C. M. Robinson.

Election of Officers.

The Moderator announced that the next thing in order would be the election of officers and same entered into, and resulted as follows:

Moderator—T. J. Renfrow, Matthews.

Clerk—W. M. Lyles, Charlotte.

Treasurer—J. A. Durham, Charlotte.

The committee on order of business made the following partial report:

4 P. M.—Education and discussion thereof. Adjournment.

8 P. M.—Devotional exercise.

8:30 P. M.—Report on State Missions. Adjournment.

Report of committee received, and Prof. Collum took the floor and made a stirring address on Education, after which pledges were made to the amount of \$61.00 (see table).

The committee appointed to consider the application for membership of Pritchard Memorial and Second Church of Concord, announced that they were ready to report, and recommended that they be received as members of this Association. Report adopted, and they were received, and their Messengers duly enrolled.

The following committees were named by the Moderator:

Order of business—J. Q. Adams, D. M. Austin, J. F. Davis.

Finance—J. A. Durham, C. F. Childress, E. H. Williams.

Time, Place and Preacher—L. R. Pruett, E. J. Funderburk, H. W. Pigg.

Religious exercises—The Pastor and Deacons of Matthews Church.

The Moderator appointed the following to write reports:

State Missions—L. R. Pruett.

Home Missions—J. F. Davis.

Foreign Missions—D. M. Austin.

Education—J. Q. Adams, Jr.

Benediction by Rev. J. J. McLendon, and adjournment until 8 P. M.

NIGHT SESSION.

Session opened by singing hymn, "Nearer My God to Thee," and prayer by Prof. Collum.

Report on State Missions.

Rev. L. R. Pruett made the following report on State Missions:

"The State Mission work is very encouraging. There is progress along all lines. Much has been done, and there is yet much to be done. There are about one million people in North Carolina who are not members of any church, of any denomination. What a great field for mission work.

"There is great destitution in many counties in Eastern Carolina, where Baptist preaching and the erection of Baptist churches are greatly needed. In the Western part of the State the Baptists are strong in numbers, but weak in intelligence and in the grace of giving.

"In this charming and picturesque part of our State the Baptists, through our State Mission Board, are encouraging educational, social and spiritual interest in that Land of the Sky.

"The Board is extending a helping hand to many sections of North Carolina, giving the manufacturing centres special attention, but the Board feels embarrassed with so many urgent and worthy calls coming upon them, and without sufficient funds to meet the demands.

"Brethren, forty thousand dollars could be appropriated each year to this work, and then much barren territory would remain untouched.

"There are now 93 missionaries in the State, employed by the Board, when the field calls for many times this number. 'More men,' 'more men,' is the cry. It comes to us from the home land; it comes to us from the State; it comes to us from the destitute part of our Association.

"The Board at Raleigh has appropriated twenty-five thousand dollars (\$25,000) for this year, every cent of which will be raised. Brethren, let us do our duty.

(Signed) L. R. PRUETT."

Report received, and Rev. Livingston Johnston, Corresponding Secretary, was recognized, and spoke on the report, after which a cash collection was taken, amounting to \$6.61. Further remarks made to the report by Prof. Collum, and pledges taken to the amount of \$160.00 (see table). Report adopted.

The committee on order of business made further report as follows:

Friday, 9 A. M.—Devotional exercises.

9:30 A. M.—Report on Orphanage.

10:30 A. M.—Report on Education.

Report adopted.

Motion made by Rev. L. R. Pruett, and carried, that a committee be appointed to make an effort to revive the interest in the Union Meetings in our Association, and to arrange programme for same. Remarks by several Messengers, urging the revival of the Union Meeting, and Moderator announced that he would name the committee a little later.

T. J. Sprinkle was appointed to conduct the devotional exercises at the 9 o'clock session tomorrow morning. Motion made, and carried, to adjourn. Hymn No. 167 sung, and benediction pronounced by Rev. Livingston Johnston.

FRIDAY, AUGUST 22, 1902.

9 A. M.—Devotional exercises conducted by T. J. Sprinkle, who read 14th chapter of John.

9:30 A. M.—The association called to order by the Moderator, and upon suggestion of Rev. D. M. Austin, it was agreed to devote a portion of the morning session in hearing reports as to the spiritual condition of the churches of the Association, and the Moderator requested Rev. L. R. Pruett to conduct this part of the service. Interesting and encouraging reports were made by Messengers of each church, after which the Moderator announced that the regular order of business would be taken up.

The Clerk called the roll, and each church responded except Olivet. Minutes of yesterday read and approved.

Report on Orphanage.

Report on Orphanage, made by Rev. J. Q. Adams, as follows:

"No object of benevolence has a larger place in the affections of our people than the Orphanage at Thomasville.

"The spirit of benevolence which called into existence this noble institution is in such beautiful harmony with the teachings of our Saviour as to give the Orphanage a secure position for all time in the hearts of the Baptist people of North Carolina.

"We commend the management of the Orphanage as economical and wise and the training given the children as that calculated to bring out the best there is in them and fit them for usefulness in both church and State. We recommend that one Sunday's collection in each month, in all our Sunday Schools, be devoted to the support of the Orphanage, and that clubs for 'Charity and Children,' the paper published by the Orphanage, be secured in the churches as the best means of keeping the work of the Orphanage constantly before the people. Respectfully submitted,

(Signed) J. Q. ADAMS."

Report received, and interesting remarks made on same by Rev. J. Q. Adams, Arch. Johnston and John E. Ray, and a cash collection taken, amounting to \$12.50. The roll of churches called and pledges to the amount of \$252.00 made. (See table.)

The committee on order of business made further report as follows:
Friday, 3 P. M.—Report on Periodicals.

4 P. M.—Report on Sunday Schools.
Adjournment.

Saturday, 9 A. M.—Devotional exercises.
9:30—Ministers' Relief.
10:30—Report on Home Missions.
11:30—Miscellaneous business.
Adjournment.

John E. Ray, principal of the Deaf and Dumb School at Raleigh, was present and addressed the Association in reference to this work, and furnished the Association with a list of the names of children within the bounds of the Association who ought to be in this school, and urged that they be looked after, and, if possible, get them to attend.

Motion made to adjourn until 3 P. M. Carried. L. M. Doxology sung, and benediction pronounced by Rev. L. R. Pruett.

FRIDAY AFTERNOON SESSION.

3 P. M.—Session opened by singing hymn, "My Country, 'Tis of Thee," and prayer by John E. Ray.

The Moderator announced the committee to arrange for Union Meeting, carried over from yesterday, as follows: L. R. Pruett, J. Q. Adams, D. M. Austin.

Report on Education.

The report on Education was made by J. Q. Adams, Jr., as follows:

"The immense strides of civilization and spread of the gospel of culture in this new century render an education imperative, and yet it is a sad fact that North Carolina today, among her sister States, ranks lowest in the scales of education.

"There are now over four hundred and thirty-nine thousand (439,000) children of school age in our territory, and of this number our Baptist people must have a large per cent.

"To give them a well rounded education that will prepare them for the highest usefulness to both church and State, is the task before us. We heartily commend the course of our legislators to make better provisions for common school education, and we hope for an increase in the rapidly growing sentiment in North Carolina for a more liberal education of the rank and file of her people.

"For higher education, our own Baptist Convention has provided two great institutions. We desire to give expression to our pride in Wake Forest College. Founded by our fathers, with many trials and hardships, it stands today, in the words of President Harper, of Chicago, the best institution of its kind in the South. The recent establishment of a medical department shows that it is still growing and improving. Its ideal situation, its corps of Christian teachers, its large endowment, its religious atmosphere, its past history and traditions, all demand of us our admiration, love and patronage.

"The Baptist Female University offers to our young women the same opportunities that Wake Forest for so long has offered to our young men. But at present it is hampered with a heavy indebtedness. At Winston, last December, the State Convention decided to raise fifty thousand dollars (\$50,000) as a thank offering to God for His many blessings during the past century. Of this sum, forty-two thousand dollars (\$42,000) was to go towards relieving our Baptist Female University, two thousand and five hundred dollars (\$2,500) to needed repairs and improvements at the Chowan Baptist Female Institute at Muffresborough, and the balance, including necessary expenses, to the High School work in Western North Carolina.

"The cause is very urgent. Indeed it is absolutely necessary to relieve the Baptist Female University of its indebtedness, in order that it may go on with its great work. And as our people become more highly educated, it is manifest that our Baptist hosts must be led by a well cultivated ministry;

therefore, we highly commend the board of education under the direction of Prof. Collum, which is now educating some fifty odd young men for the Baptist ministry.

"All these objects appeal to us. Let us, therefore, each and every one, contribute of our prayers, of our means and influence to this great and vital question of education. (Signed) J. Q. ADAMS, Jr."

The report received and discussed by the following brethren: A. D. Hunter, John E. Ray, D. M. Austin and Arch. Johnston. The report adopted, and the following resolution introduced by Rev. L. R. Pruett:

"Whereas, Dr. A. C. Barron, during the Baptist State Convention at Winston last December, pledged our Association for one thousand dollars (\$1,000) to the Educational Fund,

"Be it resolved: That we, The Mecklenburg and Cabarrus Association, through our committee, consisting of D. M. Austin, L. R. Pruett and J. A. Durham, will endeavor, by the meeting of the Convention next December in Durham, to raise and pay in said sum." Resolution carried.

The report on Periodicals was to have been made at this hour, but owing to the absence of Rev. S. F. Conrad, who was to make report, it was agreed to wait until tomorrow morning's session.

W. C. Dowd was recognized by the Moderator, and he was requested to address the Association in reference to our Associational School, to be located at Arlington, and in order to bring it more fully before the Association, it was made the special order for 9:30 o'clock tomorrow morning.

Olivet church, through I. W. Durham, reported that they had not been able to prepare their church letter, and advised that they would prepare it in a few days and send it to the Clerk, and requested that it be embodied in the Minutes. The same request came from the First Church at Concord. Both requests were granted.

Motion was made and carried to adjourn until 8 p. m. Benediction by Rev. J. Q. Adams.

FRIDAY NIGHT.

Evening session opened at 8 o'clock by singing hymn No. 163, and prayer by Arch. Johnston.

The Moderator recognized Rev. R. G. Kendrick, of Greenville, S. C., who responded in a few well chosen remarks. The Association at this time took pleasure in extending to Rev. J. E. Smith, pastor of the First Church at Concord, a most hearty welcome as a member of our body. Bro. Smith responded in some feeling remarks, and expressed himself as highly pleased with being a member of the Mecklenburg and Cabarrus Association.

Report on Foreign Missions.

The report on Foreign Missions was made by Rev. D. M. Austin as follows:

"I regard this as a most important part of our work, not because of any obligation we are under to the heathen. Our duty to do this work comes out of the imperative order of our Lord, 'To give the gospel to all people.'

"The very life of our religion is missionary. Weakness in this work threatens our existence spiritually. It seems evident from scripture statements and human testimony, that God's richest blessings have rested on all faithful missionary efforts. I do believe that our interest in this part of our work is commensurate with our interest in State and Home Missions.

"The war in China, and the massacre of some of our missionaries has doubtless helped to tone down our interest in Foreign Missions. We are doing some foreign missionary work. Respectfully submitted.

"(Signed) D. M. AUSTIN."

The report received and discussed by the following brethren: D. M. Austin, A. D. Hunter, R. G. Kendrick, J. Q. Adams, J. E. Smith, L. R. Pruett, D. F. Helms, A. W. Crabtree, Arch. Johnston and W. C. Dowd.

The report adopted, and pledges taken to the amount of \$113.00 (see table).

The committee on "Time, Place and Preacher," announced their readiness to report, and presented the following, which was unanimously adopted:

Time—Thursday before the 4th Sunday in August, 1903, at 11 o'clock A. M.
Place—Arlington Church.

Preacher—Rev. J. Q. Adams.

Alternate—Rev. D. M. Austin.

(Signed) L. R. PRUETT,
E. J. FUNDERBURK,
H. W. PIGG.

The Moderator appointed W. M. Lyles to conduct devotional exercises tomorrow morning. Motion made, and carried, to adjourn. Doxology sung and benediction by Rev. D. M. Austin.

SATURDAY, AUGUST 22.

9 o'clock A. M.—Devotional exercises conducted by W. M. Lyles.

Moderator called session to order at 9:30, and prayer by Rev. J. Q. Adams. The committee appointed to arrange Union Meeting announced that they were ready to report, and submitted the following, which was adopted:

Time—Friday before the fifth Sunday in November.

Place—Pleasant Plains.

Preacher—Rev. J. E. Smith.

Alternate—Rev. J. Q. Adams.

(Signed) D. M. AUSTIN,
L. R. PRUETT,
J. Q. ADAMS,
Committee.

This subject was discussed by Brethren J. Q. Adams, L. R. Pruett, H. L. Helms and S. F. Conrad.

Report on Periodicals.

Report on "Periodicals" made by Rev. S. F. Conrad as follows, and same received:

"The newspaper is one of the most powerful agencies for good or evil of modern times. The religious newspaper is indispensably necessary as a medium of information among the churches and the work of our boards.

"The newspaper is a powerful agency in the indoctrinating and upbuilding of our people in our denominational principles. Therefore recommend the 'Biblical Recorder' as the denominational organ, and as having done a great and noble work in feeding us in our denominational work.

"The 'North Carolina Baptist' is meeting a felt want among the Baptists, and as having done a good work in the State.

"'Charity and Children' as representing our orphanage work, and as being well and ably edited.

"The 'Home Field,' and 'Foreign Mission Journal' as representing the work as being done by the home and foreign boards. All of these papers are worthy of the patronage and support of our people, and should find a place in all of our homes.

(Signed) S. F. CONRAD, Com.

Report discussed by Brethren S. F. Conrad, J. W. Cobb, A. D. Hunter and W. R. Small, and same adopted.

Report on Home Missions.

The report on Home Missions made by Rev. J. E. Smith as follows:

"Our people are more deeply interested in Home Missions now than ever before because of the faithful and enthusiastic services of Dr. F. H. Kerfoot and our present secretary, Dr. McConnell.

"There never was a time when Home Missions claimed so large a share of our interest and enthusiastic support.

"Our rapidly increasing population, our unprecedented prosperity in all industrial and mercantile enterprises have attracted the attention of the

world toward us. Immigration from all parts of the world has set in. The foreigner is here and must be Christianized or his influence will be powerful against our religion..

"In the prospective canal which is to unite two oceans, we have special interest. It will undoubtedly mean a constantly increasing immigration. If we can meet them and bring them to Jesus, we shall save them and our country.

"The negro problem is being solved: Through God we shall be a blessing to them, but it will require wiser counsel and support to accomplish our desire.

"Thousands have moved from everywhere to 'Factory Hill,' and the great majority are very careless about attending services or supporting the Lord's work. Only by establishing churches among them can we hope to reach them.

"This will necessitate the expenditure of thousands to support men on the field, but 'the field is white unto the harvest,' and must be reaped for the Master.

"Our frontier work has called forth many noble men, who, by receiving a small amount from our Home Board, have been enabled to preach the gospel to thousands who would otherwise have never heard it.

"Texas, our greatest State, has been saved to the Baptist in this way, and many others owe their great prosperity to the missionary. We rejoice over glorious results in many places, and exhort our brethren to greater interest and liberality toward Home Missions, for only by being faithful at home can we hope to be successful abroad in foreign lands.

"(Signed) J. E. SMITH, Com."

Report received, and discussed by Brothers J. E. Smith, D. M. Austin and S. F. Conrad, after which it was unanimously adopted.

The Association welcomed Rev. W. Leggette of the M. E. Church of Matthews. Pledges were then taken for Home Missions to the amount of \$78.00 (See table). The Moderator announced that the Associational school matter was to have been presented at 9:30 this morning, but owing to the absence of several members it was postponed until this time. W. C. Dowd then addressed the Association in reference to this important matter, and pledges to the amount of \$100.00 was made as follows:

B. A. Sustare, Matthews	\$ 25.00	
W. C. Dowd, Charlotte	10.00	
J. E. Smith, Concord	5.00	Paid.
E. J. Funderburk, Matthews	10.00	
T. J. Renfrow, Matthews	5.00	
D. M. Austin, Charlotte	5.00	
Clear Creek Church	5.00	
J. W. Phillips, Matthews	5.00	
T. A. Newell, Matthews	2.50	
N. C. Baptist, Fayetteville	5.00	
J. D. Robinson, Raleigh	2.50	
Pleasant Plains Church	2.00	
12th Street, Charlotte	5.00	
Tryon Street, Charlotte	13.00	
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Total	\$100.00	

Report on Sunday Schools.

Report on Sunday schools made by Bro. C. M. Robinson as follows, and same received:

"From the statistics of the different churches during the past century, it is evident that the most active church members, and the most thoroughly consecrated Christian men and women, as well as the best Bible scholars in our church, are men and women whom were reared under the supervision and direct influence of the Sunday schools. These statistics corroborate the state-

ment of one of our great men of the past, that the Sunday school is the nursery of the church.

"To our certain knowledge, some of the most prosperous churches that we have in the State today, are the direct outgrowth of the Sunday schools. These being the facts, brethren, we should be stimulated and inspired to greater zeal and activity in the Sunday school work in the future, and thereby carry out the divine injunction to 'Bring up our children in the way they should go.'

"From the natural order of things, we are obliged to concede that the future hope of our church and State rests on the boys and girls of today. How careful then should we be to give them the proper training, inculcate in their young minds the truths and principles of the blessed gospel of our Savior.

"Therefore we would urge that each church in our Association have a Sunday school, and that they carry it on during the entire year if possible, for we realize that there is no better place within the bounds of the church for the special training than in the Sunday schools. Respectfully submitted.

"(Signed) C. M. ROBINSON, Com."

Report discussed by Bro. C. M. Robinson, after which it was adopted.

Report on Ministerial Relief.

The report on "Ministerial Relief" was made by Rev. A. D. Hunter, in the absence of Rev. J. L. Shinn, who was appointed at the last session of the Association to make the report.

"This board, located at Durham, has for its object the aiding of aged and indigent ministers and their widows.

"This is a great work, and has done real good in helping quite a number who needed help. To do its work, each church is urged to make contributions to this work. If the pastors will look after this, and bring it to the minds of their members, needed funds can be had. Twenty-two were aided last year at \$5.00 per month, or \$60.00 per year. Submitted,

"A. D. HUNTER, for J. L. CHINN."

Report discussed by Bros. A. D. Hunter, J. W. Cobb and J. J. McLendon, and same unanimously adopted, and pledges taken to the amount of \$61.00 (See table).

Motion made by W. M. Lyles, and carried, that the subject of Temperance be discussed at our next Association.

The Moderator made the following appointments to make reports at our Association next August:

Foreign Missions—Dr. A. C. Barron, Charlotte.

Home Missions—Rev. J. E. Smith, Concord.

State Missions—Rev. L. R. Pruett, Charlotte.

Orphanage—W. D. Adams, Charlotte.

Periodicals—W. C. Dowd, Charlotte.

Ministerial Relief—Rev. J. J. McLendon, Indian Trail.

Sunday Schools—Rev. D. F. Helms, Belmont.

Education—Rev. J. Q. Adams, Charlotte.

Temperance—Rev. S. F. Conrad, Charlotte.

The Finance Committee made following report, which was adopted:

Collected for Foreign Missions.....	\$ 27.27
Collected for Home Missions.....	12.50
Collected for State Missions.....	7.42
Collected for Orphanage.....	11.13
Collected for Education.....	1.00
Collected for Ministerial Relief.....	3.50
Collected for Minute Fund.....	23.52
Basket collection, Orphanage.....	12.50
Basket collection, State Missions.....	6.61

Total.....\$105.45

(Signed) J. A. DURHAM,

E. H. WILLIAMS, Com.

Election of Delegates.

The next thing in order was the election of delegates to the Southern Baptist Convention, and to the State Convention, which resulted as follows:

Delegate to Southern Baptist Convention—Dr. A. C. Barron, Charlotte.

Alternate—Rev. L. R. Pruett, Charlotte.

Delegates to State Convention—Dr. A. C. Barron, Rev. D. M. Austin, Rev. L. R. Pruett, Rev. J. Q. Adams, Rev. J. E. Smith, E. J. Funderburk, J. A. Durham, W. M. Lyles.

W. M. Lyles was re-elected a member of the State Board of Missions. Upon motion of Rev. L. R. Pruett, a vote of thanks was given the good people of Matthews for their kind hospitality during the session of the Association.

Report of Committee to Visit Newell Church.

Rev. S. F. Conrad, who was appointed as a committee to visit the church at Newells, made following report:

"Acting for the Chairman, W. M. Lyles, of the committee appointed at the last session of the Association, to visit the church at Newells relative to their co-operation with the Association; I visited them the 2nd Sunday in August, and found the church just closing an interesting revival meeting under their pastor, aided by Rev. M. C. Walton, of Burgaw, N. C., and they received me very cordially, and at the close of the morning service I stated to them the object of my visit, and explained to them the desirability of co-operating with the Association.

"I found they had canvassed the matter among themselves, and had already decided to send delegates and renew their Associational relations. I was much pleased with the spirit of the membership and the promising outlook of the work, and recommended to the Association to give their delegates a cordial welcome.

(Signed) S. F. CONRAD,

Acting Committee.

Motion made and carried, that the Clerk be allowed the sum of ten dollars (\$10.00) for his services.

The Moderator thanked the Association for the courteous manner they had treated him during the session of their deliberation. The pastor of Matthews church, Rev. D. M. Austin, announced that Rev. L. R. Pruett would preach Sunday morning at 11 o'clock. The business of the Association having been completed, a motion made to adjourn, and hymn No. 177 was sung, and benediction pronounced by Rev. A. D. Hunter, and the Moderator declared the 17th annual session of the Mecklenburg and Cabarrus Association adjourned to meet with the church at Arlington at 11 o'clock A. M. Thursday before the 4th Sunday in August, 1903.

T. J. RENFROW, Moderator.

W. M. LYLES, Clerk.

Mecklenburg and Cabarrus Association.

TREASURER'S REPORT.

1901-1902.

Foreign Missions	\$ 16.00
Home Missions.....	12.40
State Missions.....	18.42
Orphanage	10.85
Education	6.75
Ministerial Relief ..	7.50
Minute Fund ..	21.26
Collection Orphanage.	
Water Works	8.47
Collection State Missions	5.42
Collection Orphanage.....	4.08

\$111.15

Paid Foreign Missions	\$ 16.00
Paid Home Missions	12.40
Paid State Missions	18.42
Paid Orphanage	10.85
Paid Education	6.75
Paid Ministerial Relief	7.50
Paid for Minutes	21.26
Paid Water Works	8.47
Paid State Missions	5.42
Paid Orphanage Collection	4.08

\$111.15

Respectfully submitted,

T. J. RENFROW, Treas.

From Mrs. Pruett, Water Works	\$ 2.00
From W. M. Lyles, Water Works	2.00
From 12th Church, Water Works	3.00
12th Church, Charity & Children	3.00
12th Church, Charity & Children	3.00
12th Church, Charity & Children	3.00
12th Church, Charity & Children	3.00
12th Church, Charity & Children	3.00
12th Church, Charity & Children	3.00
From Friendship, Water Works	2.00
From Friendship, State Missions	2.50
From Friendship, Education	1.00
From Friendship, Ministerial Relief	1.00
From Friendship, Orphanage	5.00
From Clear Creek, Home Mission	2.00
From Chaney Hill, Orphanage	1.66
From Phaniel, Orphanage	1.00
From Belmont, Water Works	1.32

\$44.98

The above was forwarded promptly as directed.

T. J. RENFROW, Treas.

STATISTICAL TABLE.

CHURCHES.	PASTORS AND THEIR ADDRESSES.	CLERKS AND THEIR ADDRESSES.	Baptized.	Received by Letter.	Restored.	Total.	Dismissed by Letter.	Excluded.	Died.	Total.	Male Membership.	Female Membership.	Total Membership.	Seating Capacity of Church.
Arlington.....	J. F. Davis, Albermarle.....	W. A. Connell, Arlington.....	23	0	3	35	0	0	1	9	99	99	198	700
Chaney's Hill.....	" " ".....	J. E. Chaney, Gorman.....	2	0	0	2	0	1	0	1	19	19	38	47
Clear Creek.....	" " ".....	L. S. Pigg, Brief.....	2	0	0	2	0	1	1	3	33	33	66	300
Cold Water.....	J. E. Smith Concord.....	F. V. Talbirt, Concord.....	2	0	0	2	0	1	1	3	34	34	68	300
1st Church Concord.....	" " ".....	J. E. Wright, Concord.....	15	45	0	60	0	0	0	4	15	20	35	300
Friendship.....	W. H. Dodd, Charlotte.....	C. Garrison, Shooton.....	0	0	0	0	4	0	0	1	15	20	35	300
Hopewell.....	W. J. Wyatt, Troutman.....	H. D. Winecof, Caldwell.....	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	1	25	25	50	300
Howells.....	J. Black, Big Lick.....	D. W. Garmon, Furr.....	14	0	17	31	1	1	2	19	46	63	109	300
Independence Hill.....	W. H. Dodd, Charlotte.....	C. S. Davis, Croft.....	1	0	0	1	3	0	0	4	16	30	46	300
Long Creek.....	C. M. Murchison, Penelope.....	J. S. Underwood, Mt. Holly.....	5	0	0	5	1	0	0	6	26	16	42	250
Louisville.....	D. F. Helms, Charlotte.....	C. M. Robinson, Charlotte.....	13	0	0	13	2	0	0	15	76	92	168	300
Matthews.....	D. M. Austin.....	T. J. Renfrow, Matthews.....	13	0	0	13	0	0	0	13	65	84	149	400
Newells.....	J. D. Bowen, Newells.....	W. E. Hull, Newells.....	15	7	0	22	2	0	2	21	11	32	43	300
Olivet.....	" " ".....	" " ".....	4	0	0	4	0	0	0	4	19	27	46	250
Phanels.....	G. W. Reed, Salisbury.....	J. M. Funderbark, Rimer.....	0	0	0	0	4	0	0	0	0	0	0	300
Pleasant Plains.....	" " ".....	J. E. Brown, Indian Trail.....	0	0	0	0	4	4	2	0	6	36	39	300
Pritchard Memorial.....	J. Q. Adams, Charlotte.....	F. D. Lethco, Charlotte.....	0	1	66	67	4	2	0	6	22	39	61	800
Rock Hill.....	W. T. Talbirt, Concord.....	A. D. Crisco, Concord.....	0	0	1	1	9	0	0	9	22	35	57	500
2nd Church Concord.....	" " ".....	J. R. Haney.....	4	24	0	28	0	0	0	0	14	14	28	500
Tryon Street.....	A. C. Barron, Charlotte.....	J. A. Durham, Charlotte.....	6	37	0	43	63	0	3	66	80	162	242	300
12th Street.....	L. R. Pruett, Charlotte.....	W. M. Lyles, Charlotte.....	14	15	1	30	14	0	14	48	80	128	242	300
Wilson's Grove.....	D. F. Helms, Charlotte.....	W. T. Mullis, Hornet.....	0	0	1	1	2	0	1	3	17	35	52	400
Total.....			109	221	7	337	116	15	19	150	655	788	2255	6160

FINANCIAL TABLE.

CHURCHES.	MONEY PAID IN.										PLEDGES FOR NEXT YEAR.					
	Pastor's Salary.	Incidental Expenses.	Foreign Missions.	Home Missions.	State Missions.	Orphanage.	Ministers Relief.	Poor Fund.	Minutes.	Other Objects.	Total Contributions.	Foreign Missions.	Home Missions.	State Missions.	Orphanage.	Ministers Relief.	Total.
Arlington.	75 00	15 85	5 00	5 00	5 00	5 00	2 00	2 37	120 60	5 00	5 00	5 00	10 00	2 00	2 00	27 00
Chaney's Hill.	85 00	50 00	1 00	1 00	1 00	1 00	2 00	00	39 69	4 00	3 00	3 00	5 00	1 00	1 00	2 00
Clear Creek.	10 00	14 55	4 00	2 00	5 00	4 70	2 00	50	42 75	5 00	5 00	10 00	10 00	5 00	2 00	18 00
Cold Water.	750 50	130 00	0 00	15 00	21 00	36 00	32 30	50	1114 30	20 00	20 00	50 00	40 00	5 00	10 00	28 00
1st Church, Concord.	75 00	30 00	3 00	7 00	10 00	5 00	2 00	50	110 50	5 00	7 00	5 00	5 00	2 00	1 00	140 00
Friendship.	20 00	0 00	3 00	1 00	1 00	1 00	1 00	30	66 00	2 00	2 00	1 00	2 00	2 00	1 00	23 00
Hopewell.	75 00	60 00	3 00	2 00	1 00	1 00	10 00	50	142 00	3 00	3 00	3 00	2 00	1 00	1 00	6 00
Howells.	01 85	0 00	0 00	0 00	0 00	0 00	0 00	50	12 50	12 50	0 00	0 00	0 00	0 00	0 00	7 00
Independence Hill.	245 00	285 46	7 00	7 00	18 00	2 00	5 00	1 00	354 30	10 00	10 00	10 00	10 00	5 00	1 00	2 00
Long Creek.	76 30	30 00	7 00	7 00	9 82	7 00	2 25	2 00	224 00	10 00	10 00	10 00	10 00	15 00	2 00	50 00
Mathews.	50 00	52 25	0 00	0 00	0 00	0 00	0 00	0 00	141 82	10 00	10 00	10 00	10 00	2 00	2 00	14 00
Newells.	50 00	0 00	0 00	0 00	0 00	0 00	0 00	1 00	51 00	1 00	1 00	1 00	1 00	1 00	1 00	3 00
Olivet.	355 00	0 00	2 00	1 00	2 00	50	50	1 00	6 50	6 50	2 00	2 00	2 00	2 00	1 00	9 00
Pleasant Plains.	20 00	89 37	21 28	5 24	31 25	42 65	6 10	50	5774 49	20 00	20 00	35 00	25 00	25 00	2 00	90 00
Pritchard Memorial.	0 00	3 75	0 00	50	0 00	0 00	0 00	50	24 75	24 75	1 00	1 00	1 00	1 00	0 00	3 00
Rock Hill.	2000 00	65 00	0 00	74	30 30	749 02	154 00	5 00	2000 00	65 00	2000 00	2 00	5 00	2 00	2 00	10 00
2nd Church, Concord.	439 75	800 00	257 60	434 74	230 30	749 02	6 48	3 00	688 65	1229 29	20 00	10 00	20 00	85 00	30 00	115 00
Tryon Street.	100 00	52 41	5 00	0 00	20 00	27 00	0 00	1 00	101 00	101 00	2 00	2 00	2 00	2 00	5 00	91 00
12th Street.	0 00	0 00	0 00	0 00	0 00	0 00	0 00	0 00	0 00	0 00	0 00	0 00	0 00	0 00	0 00	0 00
Wilson's Grove.	100 00	0 00	0 00	0 00	0 00	0 00	0 00	0 00	0 00	0 00	0 00	0 00	0 00	0 00	0 00	0 00
Total.	4605 60	1649 63	65 28	46 74	142 47	101 85	12 32	211 13	7850 75	16788 65	113 00	78 00	160 00	252 00	61 00	684 00

SUNDAY SCHOOL STATISTICS.

CHURCHES.	SUPTS. AND THEIR ADDRESSES.	No. Officers and Teachers.	Number of Scholars.	Total.	Average Attendance.	Baptisms from School.	Quarterlies Taken.	Charity and Children in Library.	Volunes in Library.	Contributions.	Expenses.	Months kept Open.
Arlington.....	F. M. Hinson, Arlington..	5	60	65	50	60	60	.....	.....	\$ 2 25	\$ 5 46	6
Chaney's Hill.....	John Connell.....	75	50	75	50	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Clear Creek.....	L. S. Pigg, Brief.....	7	60	67	40	57	40	.....	.....	.....	1 25	3
Cold Water.....	J. W. Austin, Concord.....	8	50	58	35	40	40	.....	.....	.....	.....	6
1st Church, Concord.	V. D. Sikes, Concord.....	18	200	218	150	150	150	100	.....	.....	76 00	12
Friendship.....	S. Q. Garrison, Shopton..	7	35	42	25	68	68	.....	.....	.....	9 80	12
Hopewell.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	2 00	.....
Independence Hill.....	D. W. Garrison, Farris.....	7	100	107	50	14	90	.....	.....	.....	.....	12
Long Creek.....	J. R. Atkins, Croft.....	4	16	20	15	20	20	.....	.....	.....	2 85	9
Louise.....	O. M. Robinson, Charlotte	7	100	107	75	160	160	.....	.....	.....	35 00	12
Mathews.....	T. J. Renfrow, Matthews..	9	100	109	65	150	150	.....	.....	.....	16 80	12
Newells.....	L. A. Barber, Newells.....	6	32	38	31	13	67	.....	.....	.....	5 27	12
Olivet.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Phanels.....	W. A. Vost, Yost.....	11	85	96	41	1	.....	.....	.....	.....	2 30	.....
Pleasant Plains.....	W. S. Paxton, Matthews..	7	50	57	30	180	180	.....	.....	.....	3 50	.....
Pritchard Memorial.	W. F. Dowd, Charlotte.....	11	85	96	65	1	140	.....	.....	.....	.....	12
Rock Hill.....	A. J. Cusco, Concord.....	8	60	68	60	60	60	.....	.....	.....	3 00	9
2nd Church, Concord.	W. F. Stegall, Concord.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Tyron Street.....	I. W. Durian, Charlotte.....	24	275	299	175	900	900	600	600	62 08	100 00	12
12th Street.....	W. M. Eyles, Charlotte.....	14	200	214	105	10	350	60	.....	70 40	43 40	12
Wilson's Grove.....	W. R. Small, Hornet.....	7	40	47	50	48	48	.....	.....	.....	2 40	6
Total.....	.....	160	1623	1878	1042	39	3490	60	700	134 73	309 12	156

