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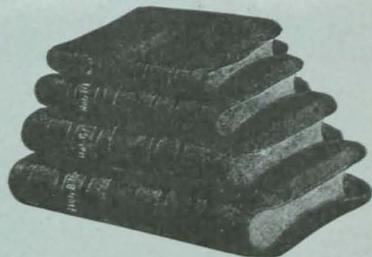
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## PROCEEDINGS.

BRIER CREEK CHURCH, Wilkes Co., N. C.  
Thursday, Oct. 6th, 1904.

The Brier Creek Association met in its Eighty-third Annual Session to-day. The Introductory sermon was preached by J. G. Wetherman, Text, Judges 7:21. After dinner the Association reassembled and was called to order by the Moderator of last year. The Association was led in prayer by W. A. Myers.

Letters from the following churches were read and messengers were enrolled:

Antioch—J. M. Staley, W. T. Johnson, W. M. Curry.

Bethel—C. W. Gilliam, N. E. Burchett, J. F. Gilliam.

Brier Creek—G. W. Sale, J. H. Foote, J. B. Martin, C. L. Parks.

Bethany—H. C. Walker, T. J. Tedder, E. C. Moore.

Barker Grove—J. W. Younger.

Cranberry—J. M. Jarvis, J. M. Ray, J. A. Mathis, L. M. Jarvis.

Dennyville—L. A. Harris, I. Z. Byrd, M. Redding.

Fishing Creek—J. A. Foster, T. C. Foster, I. S. Call, E. J. Mastin.

Fall Creek—D. K. Woodruff, J. L. Bray, S. Holcomb.

Grassy Knob—J. F. Gattton, J. W. Rash, S. K. Myers.

Hunting Creek—G. H. Hayes, J. N. Binkley, I. P. Haynes.

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Rocky Hill—J. Z. Gwaltney, N. E. Goodin.

Rock Spring—H. H. Blalock.

Sweet Home—E. Mitchell, J. F. Johnson.

Shady Grove—R. M. Jarvis, C. C. Walker.

Shiloh—M. E. Denny, S. W. Madison.

Swan Creek—J. G. Adams, H. C. Cook.

Union—E. C. Mabery, J. W. Robbins, L. D. Welborn, J. T. Sale.

Zion—J. A. Sale—C. T. Holcomb, R. W. Crater, E. N. Gwyn.

Officers were elected, W. R. Beach and J. R. Jolly acting tellers. N. W. Felts was elected Moderator and J. M. Crater, Clerk and Treasurer.

Correspondents Invited:

J. R. Jolly, G. M. Burcham, J. M. Dobbins and J. E. Childress from the Elkin Association; W. R. Beach as visitor, and T. R. Windsor from Alleghany and Grayson Association accepted seats.

J. H. Foote attended the Elkin Association.

Correspondents appointed.

On motion the members of this Association be granted the privilege of attending sister Associations as correspondents, and report the same.

Vacancies on standing committees were supplied. Religious Exercises, R. M. Jarvis; Pastor and Church Relation, W. T. Comer; Obituaries, W. A. Goforth; The Fundamental Doctrines of the Bible, S. S. Goforth and W. R. Beach; Mis-

sions, J. E. Myers; Nominating committee, G. W. Sale, Z. R. Tharp and J. E. Myers.

On motion the Association meet at 9:30 for devotion; at 10 for business. Preaching at 11. Convene at 1 and adjourn at will.

I. Holler to conduct prayer service to-morrow at 9:30 A. M., and J. R. Jolly to preach at 11. Adjourned. Benediction by E. N. Gwyn.

#### SECOND DAY—MORNING SESSION.

The Association met according to adjournment. Devotions were conducted by I. Holler. Roll of messengers was called. Minutes of yesterday were read and approved.

Constitution and Rules of Decorum were read.

Correspondents invited:

R. W. S. Pegram from the Elkin, D. W. Pool from the Alexander, and C. F. Fields from the Surry Associations accepted seats.

Report of Committee on Pastor and Church Relations:

1. The pastors are men called of God to preach the gospel. 1 Cor. 15:1  
2. His responsibility is very great, and he should be very prayerful. Phil. 4:6.

3. The pastor's duties are to devote himself to the study of the scriptures, that he may rightly divide the word of truth.

To preach the word, reprove, rebuke, exhort will all long suffering and doctrine. 2 Timothy, 4:2.

#### CHURCH TO PASTOR.

The duties of the Church toward her Pastor are to co-operate with him in his work, and give him a support. This duty is taught in the Scriptures. See 1 Cor. 9, Heb. 13.

The gospel should not be preached for money and should not be hindered for want of it.

J. N. BINKLEY,  
W. T. COMER.

After remarks by J. M. Binkly, E. N. Gwyn, D. C. Jarvis, W. T. Comer, R. W. S. Pegram, J. E. Myers, and D. W. Pool, the report was adopted.

Adjourned for preaching. Sermon by J. R. Jolly. Text: 1 Cor. 16:9.

## AFTERNOON SESSION.

### Report of Committee on Evils of The Day:

We do not expect to mention all the evils of the day, for their name is legion, but only a few of the most prominent. Envy is a great evil. It existed in the days of Cain and caused him to kill his brother Abel. It caused Haman to be hanged on the gallows that he prepared for Mordacai. It enters the ministry, and the church, and all the avocations of life, and produces jealousy and hatred. Pope says.

"All human virtue, to its latest breath, finds envy, never conquered, but by death." The sin of pride is also a great evil. Dress and fashion run too high at the present day. The christian people, and the rich people, should dress plainly, and thereby set example for the poor class of people.

Many a girl is laced to death; because the fashion takes her breath.

Dishonesty, is also a great evil in the ministry, the church and the world. All should pay their honest debts, if possible, and "should live honestly in the sight of all men," as Paul says: The sin of covetousness is a great evil, and it exists too much at the present day. The more we get, the more we want; more money, more land, and more land and more money. The Psalmist says; "If riches increase set not your heart upon them. Our Saviour said: "Take heed, beware of covetousness." For a certain rich man's land brought forth plentifully, and he resolved to tear down his barns and build greater, but God said, "Thou fool, this night thy soul shall be required of thee, then whose shall those things be which thou hast provided."

Fornication is a great evil. It is sometimes prevalent among the rich and the poor, the noble and the ignoble, practiced in the high, social and national circles of life, as well as among the lower classes of society. This evil is ruinous to the mind, the body, and the soul; and is heinous in the sight of the Good Being who will bring every act into judgment, whether good or evil.

Intemperance is regarded as the besetting evil, and sin of the nation. One hundred thousand die annually the death of the drunkard, and these are made up of the noble, bright young men and boy's, whose dear father's and mother's expected, and desired them to be "Somebody," and occupy high stations in life, but their hopes being blasted, their gray hairs, have gone, and are going down to the grave in sorrow; the middle aged and the aged, fall prey to this monstrous evil. Yea, this great evil is spreading its dark mantle over the entire universe, and is causing sorrow and woe, and death and destruction in its woeful trail. The churches and association, should, by moral suasion, love and religion, do all in their power to suppress these great evils. For, in the near future, God may, or will say to each one of us: "Give account of thy stewardship. For thou mayest be no longer steward.

E. N. GWYN,  
N. T. Jarvis.

After remarks by E. N. Gwyn, N. T. Jarvis, J. H. Foote, S. S. Goforth, W. T. Comer, W. A. Myers, I. Holler, and D. W. Pool, the report was adopted.

### DUTIES TO THE POOR.

There is perhaps no other Christian duty more forcibly commanded than our duty to the poor, Gal. 2:10. Nor is there any other duty attended with greater promises. Prov. 19:17. Who has not seen the blessed results of helping the poor in our churches and communities? And do we not know that the care of the little children at Thomasville is one of the greatest blessings to the cause of Christ in the state? We can always do them good when we will. Mat. 26:11. Mark 14:7. John 12:8. We your Committee recommend that the churches hold a Thanksgiving service the 2nd Sunday in Nov.

I. HOLLER,

J. G. WETHERMAN.

After remarks by J. G. Wetherman, E. N. Gwyn, W. T. Comer, I. Holler, and C. F. Fields the report was adopted.

C. F. Fields to preach to-night and S. S. Goforth to conduct prayer service to-morrow at 9:30 A. M. preaching to be omitted for the discussion of Missions at 10:30 A. M.

Adjourned. Prayer by W. H. Myers.

### THIRD DAY—MORNING SESSION.

Saturday, Oct. 8th, 1904.

The Association met pursuant to adjournment. Prayer meeting was conducted by S. S. Goforth. Minutes of yesterday were read, amended and approved.

Correspondents invited: J. I. Dimmette from the Surry Association; S. G. Stout and R. L. Church from the Brushy Mt. Association accepted seats.

### FUNDAMENTAL DOCTRINES OF THE BIBLE.

We, your committee, in giving an opinion as to what are the fundamental doctrines of the Bible are, would disclaim any intention, whatever, of establishing a creed or articles of faith apart from the word of God, or adding to the authority of the Holy Scriptures; but solely because of the sadly apparent neglect of all classes of people in the observance and teaching of these vital doctrines. We think the fundamental doctrines are those which are necessary to be believed in order to the salvation to the soul, (1) Prominent among these are the divinity and humanity of Christ. See John 1:1-3; Heb. 1:2.

11. His death, burial and resurrection. See 1 Cor. 15:3-4. Dependent upon these are. "Human depravity. See Gen. 6-5, 8-21, Jer. 17-9, Rom. 3-10-18.
2. Repentance. See Luke 13-3-5, Acts 17, 30, 31.
3. Faith. See Heb. 11-6.

The sum total of all these doctrines, Salvation by Grace. So important are these vital doctrines, that they are continually set forth as object lessons in the ordinances of God's House, viz. Baptism and Communion. See Rom. 6-4, 1 Cor. 15, 29, Col. 2-12, 1 Pet, 3-21, also 1 Cor. 11, 26.

W. A. MYERS,  
S. S. GOFORTH, } Committee  
W. T. COMER,

Remarks were submitted by W. T. Comer, D. W. Pool, after which the report was adopted.

#### MISSIONS.

Jesus Christ is the great example for the church in everything and in nothing more than in the cause of missions. For it was this great cause that prompted him to leave the courts of glory to bring the message of life and salvation to fallen man. In this as in everything else, he taught first by example than by precept.

The same is enjoined on us as his followers for, "If we have not the spirit of Christ we are none of his," and again, he said, "As my father sent me into the world even so send I them. His great and firm command is, "Go ye into all the world, and preach the gospel to every creature." We would earnestly recommend that the officials of each church of this association make an especial effort to set these important truths properly before the masses.

J. W. RASH,  
J. E. MYERS.

Resolved that this Association recommend Rev. J. G. Weatherman as our Missionary to travel as evangelist in and out of the Association as the spirit may direct.

After remarks by J. W. Rash, J. E. Myers, J. N. Binkley, D. W. Pool and W. A. Myers the report was adopted.

#### AFTERNOON SESSION.

##### Religious Literature:

What we read, more than anything else, makes us what we are. This is truer now than ever before since the multiplication of books and newspapers has so greatly increased. The very abundance of reading matter makes it necessary to our well being as a people that we discriminate carefully in the selection of our family literature. We should read only such literature as will have a wholesome influence. We recommend that our people encourage the reading of the Holy Bible, and our religious literature along this line. We would call attention to the Biblical Recorder, N. C. Baptist, Charity and Children, American Baptist Flag, and our Missionary Helper.

T. E. REDMAN,  
D. C. JARVIS, } Committee.

After remarks by W. T. Comer, W. A. Myers, J. I. Dimmette the report was adopted.

#### RESOLUTIONS.

1st. Resolved that this Association urge the pastors, deacons, and Sunday School Superintendents to make more earnest and prayerful efforts to increase our contributions to missions next year.

2nd. Resolved that this Association tender its thanks to the members of Brier Creek Church and community for their kind hospitality during this session of this body.

#### TIME AND PLACE.

The next session of the Brier Creek Association will convene with Union church, 10 miles south of Elkin, commencing on Thursday before the 2nd Sunday in Oct. 1905.

M. E. DENNY,  
J. F. GATTON, } Committee.

#### REPORT OF NOMINATING COMMITTEE.

Religious Exercises—M. E. Denny with pastor and messengers.

Pastor and Church Relation—E. Holler, J. W. Rash.

Evils of the Day—W. A. Myers, J. M. Current.

Duties to the Poor—J. N. Binkley, D. C. Jarvis.

Obituaries—G. F. Mitchell, W. A. Goforth.

Fundamental Doctrines of the Bible—W. T. Comer, A. H. Goodin.

Missions—Guss Myers, D. F. Mitchell.

Religious Literature—S. S. Goforth, J. G. Wetherman.

Resolutions—J. M. Smith, L. W. Lonsford.

Time and Place—J. F. Mastin, E. Mitchell.

Finance—Z. R. Tharp, E. M. Sale.

J. E. MYERS, }  
Z. R. THARP, } Com.  
G. W. SALE. }

#### REPORT ON FINANCE.

We received \$2.00 for State Missions; \$62.43 for Foreign Missions; \$4.09 for Orphanage; \$21.63 minute funds; Total \$90.15.

E. M. SALE,  
Z. R. THARP, } Com.

The collection for orphanage amounted to \$5.81. J. I. Dimmette received 1.75, subscriptions to Charity and Children.

N. T. Jarvis was appointed to preach the Annual Sermon and J. N. Binkley alternate.

On Motion Wade D. Bostic was adopted as our Missionary to China.

#### OBITUARIES.

Bro. James N. Holland died Jan. 13th, 1904, in his eightieth year. He joined the church at Mt. Vernon in Nov. 1856 and was ordained deacon in 1860, and served in that capacity till his death. He left a wife, one son, and two daughters to mourn their loss.

Bro. DeWitt Tharpe departed this life Dec. 11th, 1903. He was about 73 years old at the time of his death. He had been a member of Holly Spring church 18 years and deacon for 15 years.

Eld. Daniel M. Honeycutt died March 6th, 1904, at the age of 67 years. He united with Union church more than 50 years ago. In June 1882 he joined Cranberry church by letter. He was ordained to the Ministry Oct. 1883, in which calling he served till his death.

Bro. Samuel Gray died May 20th, 1904. He had been a member of Pleasant Grove church 39 years, and served the same as deacon 29 years. Respectfully submitted,

G. W. SALE,

W. A. GOFORTH,

Com.

The Clerk was instructed to have 800 copies of minutes printed and receive \$8.00 for his services.

#### TREASURER'S REPORT.

Paid out this year, 71.09, for Foreign Missions, 9.90 to Orphanage; 2.00 to State Missions; Printing Minutes 11.75; Clerk fees 8.00; Incidental Expenses; 1.75. Total 104.49.

#### REPORT ON RELIGIOUS EXERCISES.

J. N. Binkley and J. W. Rash to preach, to-night and W. T. Comer to preach to-morrow at 11 A. M.

The Association adjourned till time and place next year.  
Prayer by W. A. Myers.

N. M. Felts, Moderator.

J. M. Crater, Clerk.

#### SABBATH.

Prayer meeting was conducted by J. W. Rash, sermon by W. T. Comer, Text, Gen., 18:22. After which a collection for Foreign Missions was taken amounting to \$8.66.

#### PROCEEDINGS OF THE S. S. CONVENTION.

NEW PROSPECT CHURCH, Evalin, N. C.  
July 30 and 31st, 1904.

Eld. I. Hollar preached the annual sermon, Text. Mat. 24; 42.

The Convention was called to order by the Chairman.

Reports from the Schools was read by the Secretary, assisted by T. H. Williams. E. N. Gwyn was elected Pres. and S. T. Goforth, Secretary.

The following committees were appointed: On arrangement, The Deacons and Messengers of this Church.

On Queries—J. P. McCarter, D. I. Heglar, W. A. Myers, and E. M. Sale.

Time and Place—C. T. Holcomb, J. E. Myers, and N. T. Jarvis.

#### QUERIES.

What is the object of the Sunday School Convention?  
Answered by W. A. Myers and E. N. Gwyn.

Refreshments 1 hour.

#### AFTERNOON SESSION.

Prayer by E. N. Gwyn.

Should Baptist Sunday Schools engage in Union Sunday School Conventions? Debated by W. A. Myers, D. I. Heglar, J. M. Current, W. F. Mason and others.

Is it best to use Sunday School Literature? Answered by J. P. McCarter, L. W. Lonsford and T. H. Williams.

Address on Sunday School work by E. N. Gwyn.

## SUNDAY MORNING—10 A. M.

To what extent should Mission work be encouraged in the Sunday Schools? Answered by N. T. Jarvis, T. E. Redman, and others.

### ESSAYS READ.

The Sunday School, by Miss Minnie Myers.

Temperance, by Miss Minnie Lewis.

Next Convention to convene at Swan Creek, Yadkin Co., N. C., Saturday before 5th Sunday in July, 1905.

### PROGRAMME.

10:30 A. M.—Devotional Exercise by E. N. Gwyn.

11:00 A. M.—Organization.

11:30 A. M.—What are the means of enlisting the greatest number in the Sunday School? Speakers, J. M. Crater and J. P. McCarter.

12:00 M.—Refreshment.

1:00 P. M.—How can we hold the greatest number in Sunday School? by J. T. Martin and J. W. Rash.

2 P. M.—How can we best observe the Sabbath to keep it holy? by W. A. Myers.

### SUNDAY.

10, A. M. What is a Missionary Baptist Church? Speaker, W. T. Comer.

10:30, A. M. Reading essays by Luna Sloan and Etha Goforth.

11, A. M. Sermon by N. T. Jarvis.

### RESOLUTION.

Resolve: That this Convention offer our thanks to the church and surrounding community for their kind hospitality in supporting this Convention.

Rev. W. T. Comer preached at 11 A. M. from Luke 24:46  
Collection for Thomasville orphanage \$5.28.

Eld. E. N. Gwyn, Pres.  
S. T. Goforth, Sec.

### TEMPERANCE.

We, Americans call ourselves free people. Yet I am sorry to say that many of us are slaves. Slaves to whiskey and strong drink. Many men to-day have drunk so long and to such an extent that they cannot live without whiskey. They are slaves to it, they cannot free themselves from it

grasp, and this craving for whiskey is growing stronger each day. The habit is now being taken up by the small boys. The most disgusting sight I ever saw was a boy hardly out of his teens down drunk with a bottle of his own whisky as he called it in one pocket and a pistol in the other. Oh! this craving for whiskey. When will it all end? When will boys have the courage to say no? When will women learn that it is better to live their days out single than to tie themselves down to a drunkard? Boys have you no courage, no pride, no love and respect for your dear old mother who will soon be in her grave? Her days upon this earth are probably few? Are you shortening them my boy and filling them with sorrow? Are you thickening the gray hairs on her head? She who has done so much for you, she who has loved you and supported you in her tender arms, when you were too weak to walk. She who has so many sleepless nights, looking crying, praying that you may be spared. Oh, boys wake up, think over these things, let your mind meditate over them, fully and freely, think over them when you go to drink and I will venture to say that you will not take it. Have courage, my friend to say no. Resist the temptation before it gets too strong. Think what whiskey will do for you, it will rob you of your home in heaven, for God has said "no drunkard shall enter His Kingdom. It will rob you of your earthly good, of the love and esteem of your friends and loved ones, of all your pleasure and happiness, and the happiness of those who shall live after you are gone, going to sacrifice all this for whisky? Have courage, my friend to say no. When asked to drink whisky and thereby save your health and happiness and the happiness of your dear mother and all your kindred. Remember it is poison, and will not only destroy your money and your happiness but your health. Dear girls you are now free and happy, never marry any boy who drinks whisky, even slightly so, for drinking whisky is a growing habit and if it is not broken off entirely grows larger. The boy who drinks whiskey and gets drunk will not hesitate to go to destruction for his whiskey as he is on the right road and has not far to go. Girls if you have a lover who drinks whiskey, beg him to reform. If he really and truthfully loves you as he should, he will not hesitate to give up his bad habits for your sake. If he will not take my advice, drop him at once, and if you can't find a good energetic boy, live single: there is no harm in it, and you will never know what trouble is till you tie yourself down as the wife of a drunkard who does not love you. The future of all the boys depends very largely upon the girls, as there are few boys who will not give up their bad habits for the sake of the girls they love. Girls you have a great influence over the boys, and I beg you for the sake of Heaven to use it, for it is badly needed. If something is not done to check the rapid pace of whisky, what will the future be? What will the coming generation of boys turn out to be? Will some good energetic boy step to the front and help me to talk to these rough rowdy boys? I will close with love and best wishes to you all. By MINNIE MYRTLE LEWIS,  
Spurgeon, N. C.

THE SUNDAY SCHOOL.

The Sabbath School is one of the greatest institutions we have for the training of a child's mind. In a sense a child's mind is blank. As the body grows and develops, sustained by nature's food, just so should the mind be developed for all that is high and noble, by the continual application of that spiritual power implanted daily in the heart by associating with the christian one who is always found at work in the S. S. "Train up a child in the way he should go and when he is old he will not depart from it," is a true proverb, and one which should be strictly adhered to in every model S. S. Follow the character of a man who attended S. S. regularly when a child, and as a rule, you will find a noble christian man—one who abhors that which is evil and clings to that which is good, reveres his God rather than gold. And where would you find a place better than the S. S. to implant in the minds of our children the first true principles of obedience, truthfulness, temperance, and above all reverence for their God. All these and more, just as important should and must be taught in our S. S. The Superintendent and teachers must realize that they occupy a very responsible position, as it is their duty to encourage a good attendance by both young and old, for it is just as essential to the advancement of the S. S. cause for the older ones to attend as well as the young. They should always manifest the spirit of One who said, "Suffer little children to come unto Me, for of such is the Kingdom of Heaven." Another important place in S. S. work is we should endeavor with all our might to keep those monsters, pride and selfishness from our Sunday Schools. There has been many poor children debarred from the S. S. by having the finger of pride and scorn pointed mockingly at them. May every christian worker throughout our land join hands and hearts in our S. S. work, always observing the great plan laid down and taught so plainly by our blessed Saviour, and we shall be able to witness such a growth in S. S. work as we have not known before.

MINNIE MYRTLE MYERS.

STATISTICAL TABLE.

CHURCHES.	PASTORS.	POSTOFFICE.	CLERKS.	POSTOFFICE.	Restored.	Baptized.	Rec'd by letter.	Dismissed by letter.	Excluded.	Deceased.	Membership	Time of service.	Foreign Missions.	State Missions.	Orphanage.	Foreign Missions previously sent.	Orphanage previously sent.	Minute fund.
Antioch	N. T. Jarvis	Jarvis	J. M. Staley	Dellaplane		5		1		1	100	1	1.00					50
Brier Creek	" "	" "	G. W. Sale	Brier Creek						1	39	4	4.00					50
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Bethany	J. P. Gwaltney	Hiddenite	J. J. Hendren	Gilreath							99	4	5.00		.50			80
Barker Grove	L. Holler	Eupeptic Springs	J. W. Younger	Evalin					2		36	1						50
Cranberry	M. Walker	Swan Creek	J. M. Jarvis	Jarvis		5	1	1		2	86	2	4.32					75
Dennyville	" "	" "	M. Redding	Swan Creek	4						60	4	1.60					70
Fishing Creek	M. McNeil	Wilkesboro	L. S. Call	Call		7	1			2	130	4		2.00				90
Fall Creek	G. M. Burcham	Elkin	J. L. Bray	Jonesville		5	10	2	1	3	191	4						1.00
Grassy Knob	L. P. Gwaltney	Vashti	J. F. Gatton	Jennings		3	1		1	4	172	4			1.00	10.00		65
Holly Spring	J. N. Binkley	Net	Z. R. Tharpe	Net		2	3	4		2	73	1	3.25					65
Hunting Creek	" "	" "	G. H. Hayse	Hunting Creek		7					160	1	3.51					1.10
Hebron	J. G. Wetherman	Jennings	J. E. Hendren	Turnersburg	1		1	3	2		67	2						60
Lewis	E. N. Gwyn	Gwyn	T. E. More	Spurgeon						1	92	3	.80					30
Mt. Pisgah	J. N. Binkley	Net	J. R. Wright	Felts	1	7		2			81	2	1.00			2.50		75
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Mt. Vernon	E. N. Gwyn	Gwyn	S. T. Goforth	Eupeptic Springs	2	8	5	1		3	97	4	3.00					80
New Hope	T. E. Redman	Gilreath	L. C. Anderson	Gilreath					1	2	81	2	1.65	1.00				50
New Prospect	E. N. Gwyn	Gwyn	J. E. Prevett	Jennings	6	12		1	6	1	166	2	4.50					1.40
Pleasant Grove	W. A. Myers	New Castle	J. T. Martin	Clingman				4	1	4	109	3	9.76					90
Rocky Hill	A. H. Goodin	McCurdy	U. C. Goodin	McCurdy	1	9					73	3	1.00	1.00				30
Rock Spring	G. H. Weaver	Harmony	W. E. Smith	Settle							66	4	3.46					60
Swan Creek	W. T. Comer	Windy Gap	J. F. Adams	Swan Creek		5	1	5	2	1	260	1	3.75					1.10
Sweet Home	E. Holler	Felts	R. S. Putman	Osbornville	14			7			106	4	.95			5.00		60
Shady Grove	D. W. Pool	Vashti	J. S. Henderson	Lovelace		2	1	5		3	235	1	2.20			12.66		1.53
Shiloh	E. N. Gwyn	Gwyn	C. L. Madison	Osbornville	1	15	3		1		89	1				6.75		75
Union	W. T. Comer	Windy Gap	J. M. Crater	Cycle		10	2		1	1	206	2	7.68			14.00	6.50	1.10
Zion	" "	" "	W. B. York	Gwyn		6	3	3		1	193	3				15.00	3.25	1.25



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## EXPLANATION.

The delay in the publication of these minutes must not be charged to any neglect of duty on the part of the Clerk of the Association, Mr. J. M. Crater. The reason of the delay is this: The amount of money (11.75,) set apart by the Association, is much less than a printer should have for this work. Our Job Department has been very much crowded all the fall; we could not afford for the money we were getting out of the work, to neglect other work that paid us well. We could not afford, at the price, to employ extra help in order to push the printing of the minutes. Better pay would have secured prompter service.

PRINTER.

SCHOOLS.	SUPTS.	SECRETARIES.	POST OFFICES.	MESSENGERS.	Officers and Teachers	On Roll	Average
Bethany	E. C. Moore	H. C. Walker	Poor's Knob	By letter	61	103	67
Brier Creek	Miss M. Sale	Miss F. Mastin	Brier Creek	"	5	59	27
Barker Grove	J. W. Younger	M. R. Holler	Grade	M. R. and C. C. Hollar	5	40	25
Cranberry	L. M. Jarvis	M. L. Jarvis	Jarvis	L. M. Jarvis	6	54	31
Dennyville	F. L. Myers	E. J. C. Myers	Clingman	J. F. Walker, C. H. Wilborn	5	60	36
Lewis	N. C. Lewis	Nora Bell	Spurgeon	N. C. Lewis, J. W. Southern	4	63	38
Mt. Pisga	J. P. McCarther	Gertrude Mitchell	Felts	J. P. McCarther	5	103	54
Mt. Sinai	P. L. Henderson	B. Johnson	Windy Gap	P. M. Prevett	8	71	25
Mt. Vernon	W. A. Goforth	R. M. Johnson	Eupeptic Springs	R. C. Sloan, C. C. Holmes	5	70	40
New Prospect	J. B. Pendergrass	A. P. Sprinkle	Windy Gap	C. C. Walker	4	126	40
Rock Hill	U. C. Privette	N. E. Gooden	McCurdy	J. E. Privette, C. F. Sprinkle	5	61	35
Shady Grove	S. E. Harris	G. D. Mayberry	Lovelace	N. E. Gooden	4	63	35
Swan Creek	J. F. Adams	T. L. Swain	Swan Creek	L. W. Lonsford	5	90	45
Shiloh	C. T. Holcomb	W. Madison	Osbornville	T. L. Swain, L. C. Sparks	6	90	45
Sweet Home	J. H. Robbins	W. F. Lovrance	"	M. E. Denney, W. Jarvis	8	100	57
Trinity	D. I. Heglar	T. J. Madison	Flake	E. Mitch	9	73	48
Union	J. M. Crater	A. Casey	New Castle	D. I. Heglar, M. L. Holland	8	146	88
Zion	W. B. York	J. R. Johnson	Gwyn	E. C. Mayberry, L. D. Wilborn	9	72	48
Rock Spring	J. M. Smith	W. E. Smith	Settle	T. M. Sale, J. B. Johnson	8	58	28
New Hope	L. C. Anderscn	L. A. Bobbet	Ghbreath	By letter	6	87	50
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