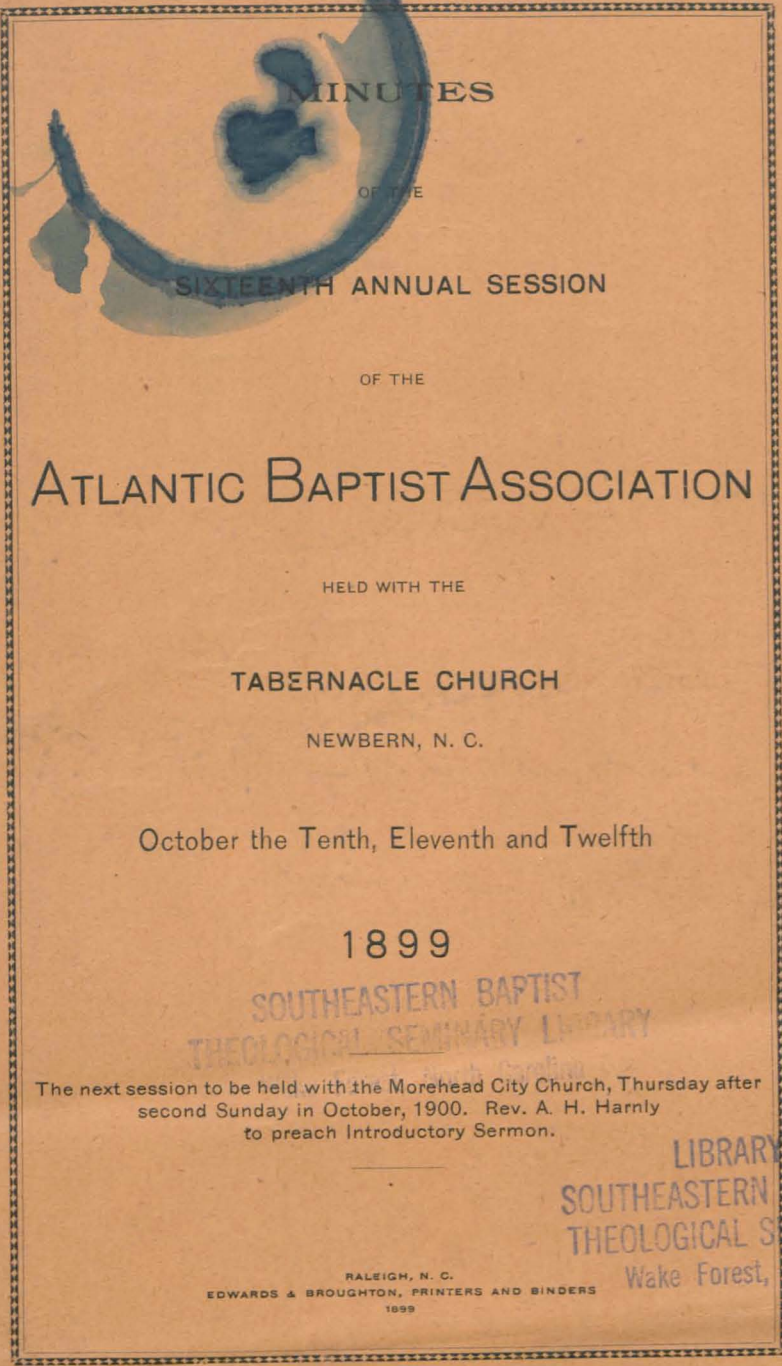


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1. *Foreign Missions*—A. W. Setzer, W. H. Dodd, E. B. Simpson.
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3. *State Missions*—A. H. Harnly, J. B. Holland, I. B. Willis.
4. *Temperance*—Joseph Aden, D. F. Aman, Geo. A. Odum.
5. *Education*—C. B. Paul, L. L. Leary, S. W. Hancock.
6. *Orphanage*—H. C. Moore, W. S. Riggs, D. F. Holton.
7. *Aged Minister's Relief*—J. C. Whitty, M. E. Eubanks, R. L. Paul.
8. *Sunday Schools*—H. B. Duffy, M. L. Davis, Richard Felton.
9. *Periodicals*—S. M. Brinson, N. C. Holton, W. L. Ramsey.
10. *Unrepresented Churches*—A. D. Ward, J. C. Whitty, J. B. Holland.

REGISTER OF PASTORS.

Aden, Joseph.....	Bayboro, N. C.
Alderman, J. M.....	Lima, N. C.
Aman, D. F.....	Marines, N. C.
Bilbro, W. L.....	Ayden, N. C.
Blanchard, C. W.....	Kinston, N. C.
Davis, M. P.....	Lagrange, N. C.
Carroll, R. D.....	Davis, N. C.
Harnly, A. H.....	New Bern, N. C.
Jackson, J. B.....	Kinston, N. C.
Moore, Hight C.....	New Bern, N. C.
Newton, W. Carey.....	Goldsboro, N. C.
Paul, C. B.....	Swansboro, N. C.
Rose, J. W.....	Goldsboro, N. C.
Setzer, A. W.....	Morehead City, N. C.

REPRESENTATION.

Antioch—O. H. Jackson, W. B. Wingate.
Atlantic—D. F. Aman.
Ayden—W. L. Bilbro, W. J. Mumford.
Bayboro—W. S. Riggs.
Bay Creek—Represented by letter.
Bear Creek—J. H. Ward.
Beaufort—Richard Felton, M. L. Davis.
Capernaum—J. C. Riggs, S. B. Holland, Jacob Conway.
Castoria—David Sutton, L. F. Elliott.
Christian Hope—Isaac Ramsey, W. L. Ramsey, R. W. Greer.
Cool Spring—Not represented.
Cove—Not represented.
Davis Shore—R. L. Paul, O. F. Davis.
Dover—Represented by letter.
Emmaus—Represented by letter.
Enon Chapel—S. A. Starling, W. S. Wynne.
Falling Creek—T. J. Hood.
Fort Barnwell—Joseph Kinsey.
Goldsboro, First—W. Carey Newton, J. E. Peterson.
Goldsboro, Second—J. W. Rose.
Kinston—C. W. Blanchard, E. B. Lewis, Mrs. S. C. Parrott, Mrs. C. D. Ray.
Lagrange—M. P. Davis, J. E. Debnam.
Marshallberg—W. T. Gilliken.
Maysville—Not represented.
Moore's Chapel—H. C. Lockhart.
Morehead City—A. W. Setzer, L. L. Leary, Alvin S. Wade, I. B. Willis, J. C. Banks, M. S. Webb.
Mount Calvary—Represented by letter.
Mount Nelson—Represented by letter.
New Bern, Middle Street—W. F. Rountree, J. B. Holland, S. M. Brinson, J. C. Whitty, J. L. McDaniel, J. R. Parker, Jr., R. L. Vinson, A. D. Ward, J. W. Biddle.
New Bern, Tabernacle—A. H. Harnly, T. J. Mitchell, H. B. Duffy, M. E. Whitehurst, Mrs. T. J. Mitchell, Mrs. Delia R. Phillips, Mrs. W. R. Nixon.
New Hope—Represented by letter.
Oregon—Not represented.
Oriental—Walter H. Dodd, Joseph Aden.
Pollokville—T. A. Bell.
Piny Grove, Jones—A. D. Kellum, M. E. Eubanks, B. A. Riggs, Miss Eula McDaniel.
Piny Grove, Onslow—V. N. Canaday.
Seven Springs—S. D. Byrd.
Smyrna—R. D. Carroll, S. W. Hancock.
Snow Hill—T. D. Hackney.
Spring Garden—J. M. Alderman, O. H. Perry, J. N. Pate.
Swansboro—C. B. Paul, Geo. A. Odum.
Trenton—Miss Dora Taylor.
Truitt—D. F. Holton, L. A. Thomas.
Union—Represented by letter.
Vandemere—R. B. Phipps, N. C. Holton.
Woodville—E. B. Simpson.

CONSTITUTION.

1. This Association shall be known as the "Atlantic Baptist Association."
2. It shall be composed of the pastors and of the delegates elected by the churches connected with it, each church being entitled to three delegates, unless the membership shall exceed fifty, and then there shall be an additional delegate for every twenty-five members. Every church having a Ladies' Missionary Society shall be entitled to one additional female delegate to represent it on the Woman's Central Committee.
3. Its object shall be the promotion of the Redeemer's Kingdom, by securing the cooperation of its churches for their edification and for the spread of the gospel according to our faith and order.
4. The "New Hampshire Declaration of Faith" shall be the summary of Divine Truth for determining questions of faith or order in this body; and churches desiring to be received must signify their acquaintance of it, in substance, together with the covenant herewith submitted, and this Constitution.
5. This Association shall not annul the discipline of a church, or exercise authority over it. But it may advise, and it may sever from its connection any church that neglects to preserve gospel order, or that treats with contempt the objects or advice of the Association.
6. Each church shall send to the Association, at its annual session, a statement of (1) its locality; (2) the name of its pastor, clerk, clerk's postoffice, delegates and ministers other than the pastor; (3) Sunday or Sundays of regular service; (4) the church statistics; (5) Sunday School statistics; (6) contributions to (a) State Missions, (b) Home Missions, (c) Foreign Missions, (d) Education, (e) Colportage, (f) Sunday School Missions, (g) Orphanage, (h) Ministerial Relief, (i) Houses of Worship, (j) Minute Fund, (k) other objects.
7. Whenever a church shall not represent itself at an annual session of the Association, either by delegate or letter, or whenever a church shall not report something contributed for missions, inquiry shall be made for the cause; effort shall be made to revive the church and induce it to do its duty, and this effort shall be continued till the church be recovered or dropped from the Association.
8. The officers of the Association shall be a Moderator, a Clerk, a Historian, and a Treasurer, elected annually by ballot from among its members, to serve until their successors shall have been elected, and to perform the duties usual to such officers, the Moderator in presiding, the Clerk in recording and preserving minutes and other papers belonging to the body, and the Treasurer in receiving and disbursing according to its will all funds belonging to or entrusted to the body, the Historian in keeping a record of the work and progress of the Association, and report at each annual session.
9. The Association shall appoint annually an Executive Board of seven, of whom the Treasurer shall be one, to whom shall be entrusted the prosecution of the Associational Missions, and any other work which this body may refer to them, and who shall, as far as practicable, cooperate with the State Mission Board in supplying the destitution in our territory, and between the meetings of the Association take such action as may seem to them advisable for the advancements of its objects. The Board shall present to the Asso-

ciation at its annual meeting a report of all its proceedings with the Treasurer's report of all receipts and disbursements, and with the names of its missionaries, time of service and details of their work.

10. The annual session of the Association shall begin on Thursday after the second Lord's Day in October, at such place as may be chosen, and an Introductory Sermon shall be delivered on the first day of the session. Representatives from a majority of the churches shall constitute a quorum.

11. This Constitution may be amended at any annual session by a two-thirds vote of the members present.

BY-LAWS.

1. The daily sessions of the Association shall be opened and closed with prayer.

2. Delegates shall be recognized by letters from their churches designating them as such.

3. The Moderator shall recognize corresponding messengers or the delegates of newly received churches by extending to them his right hand.

4. The Clerk shall provide blank letters for the use of the churches of the Association previous to the meeting of the Association, superintend the publication and distribution of the minutes, preserve a file of them and have it present at each annual session, read the proceedings of the preceding session at the beginning of each morning session, and the whole proceedings at the close of the annual session.

5. Members desiring to speak, shall first rise and address the Moderator; shall use the term "brother," in speaking to each other; shall not speak on the same subject more than twice without permission, and shall observe the courtesy that becomes Christians.

6. Members shall not absent themselves from the session without permission.

7. The roll of members shall be called at least once, and absentees marked.

8. Corresponding messengers and visiting brethren shall be invited to seats, with privilege of speaking but not of voting.

9. A copy of the Minutes shall be sent to the Secretary of the State Mission Board, also one copy to the Secretary of the Southern Baptist Convention, and one to the American Baptist Publication Society, 1420 Chestnut street, Philadelphia, and one to the Field Secretary for Sunday Schools in North Carolina.

10. All questions of order not herein provided shall be decided by "Mell's Parliamentary Practice."

11. The report of the Executive Board and the missionary work of the Association, shall take precedence of all other business during the morning session of the second day of the annual session.

12. The general order of business shall be:

- (1) Reading church letters and enrollment of delegates.
- (2) Election of officers.
- (3) Petitionary letters.
- (4) Appointment of committees for this session.
- (5) Appointment of standing committees.
- (6) Report of committees on churches delinquent at the previous session.
- (7) Reports of standing committees.
- (8) Reports of other committees.
- (9) Miscellaneous business.

PROCEEDINGS.

New Bern, N. C., October 10, 1899.

The Atlantic Baptist Association met in its sixteenth annual session with the Tabernacle Church at 10 a. m.

Devotional exercises were conducted by M. P. Davis who read the tenth chapter of Romans and led in prayer.

C. W. Blanchard, the Moderator of the previous session, then called the body to order. E. B. Lewis and S. M. Brinson were appointed a committee on enrollment. They reported thirty-six messengers present at this hour.

On motion of H. B. Duffy, the constitutional provision to elect by ballot was suspended, and the following officers elected: Moderator, C. W. Blanchard; Clerk, Hight C. Moore; Treasurer, M. S. Webb; Historian, S. M. Brinson.

The Moderator appointed the following committees:

Finance—S. M. Brinson, L. F. Elliott, O. H. Jackson.

Petitionary Letters—A. H. Harnly, J. E. Debnam, C. B. Paul.

Order of Business—H. B. Duffy, W. L. Bilbro, E. B. Simpson.

Constitutional Amendment—E. B. Lewis, A. W. Setzer, J. B. Holland.

Obituaries—R. D. Carroll, Richard Felton, J. B. Jackson.

To Nominate Delegates to the State and Southern Baptist Conventions—J. B. Holland, W. S. Wynne, D. F. Aman.

To Nominate Executive Committee—L. L. Leary, J. A. Patterson—R. D. Carroll.

The Moderator corrected the list of standing committees as follows:

Foreign Missions—A. H. Harnly, E. B. Lewis, I. B. Willis.

Home Missions—C. B. Paul, M. P. Davis, B. A. Riggs.

State Missions—A. W. Setzer, M. L. Davis, H. C. Lockhart.

Temperance—W. L. Bilbro, W. B. Wingate, T. B. Hackney.

Education—Hight C. Moore, R. D. Carroll, W. T. Gilliken.

Orphanage—W. C. Newton, J. W. Rose, S. D. Byrd.

Minister's Relief—J. M. Alderman, A. M. Prince, D. J. Hood.

Sunday Schools—E. B. Lewis, J. C. Whitty, M. E. Eubanks.

Unrepresented Churches—J. B. Jackson, J. A. Patterson, A. D. Kellum.

Periodicals—J. W. Rose, C. B. Paul, J. E. Peterson.

Place and Preacher—T. J. Mitchell, I. B. Willis, Joseph Aden.

The following new pastors in the Association were welcomed by the Moderator: A. H. Harnly of the New Bern Tabernacle, A. W. Setzer

of Morehead City, M. P. Davis of Lagrange, and J. B. Jackson of Kinston.

H. C. Dillard, of the Tar River Association, was welcomed to a seat in the body.

H. B. Duffy, for the Committee on Order of Business, submitted the following, which was adopted:

11.15—Unrepresented Churches.

12—Adjournment.

2.30—Devotional Exercises conducted by C. B. Paul.

3—Ministerial Relief.

4—Temperance.

5—Adjournment.

7.30—Sermon by A. W. Setzer.

Welcome on the part of the Tabernacle Church was extended by pastor A. H. Harnly, and on the part of the Baptists of the city and of the community at large by S. M. Brinson. Response was made by R. D. Carroll on behalf of the Association.

On motion of A. W. Setzer, a committee on Digest of Church Letters was, after discussion by C. B. Paul, E. B. Lewis, H. B. Duffy and J. C. Whitty, appointed as follows: A. W. Setzer, David Sutton, J. M. Alderman.

J. B. Jackson presented the following report:

The committee has no report from the unrepresented churches, and the only report the committee can make is a recommendation that they be continued in the Association.

After remarks by J. M. Alderman, D. F. Aman, C. B. Paul and C. W. Blanchard, the committee was asked to make further report later on in the session.

A. H. Harnly, for the committee, made the following report:

Your Committee on Petitionary Letters having examined the letter and inquired into the organization of the Marshallberg Baptist Church, find that the church was regularly organized in harmony with the usages of our denomination, and do hereby recommend that said church be received into the Atlantic Association, and that its delegates be given seats in this body.

The report was adopted and the hand of welcome was extended by the Moderator to the messengers of the Marshallberg Church.

R. B. John, pastor of the Methodist Church in New Bern, was recognized and introduced to the body.

After announcements, the Association adjourned with prayer by C. B. Paul.

FIRST DAY—AFTERNOON SESSION.

C. B. Paul conducted the devotional exercises by reading Psalm 103 and offering prayer.

Additional delegates were enrolled.

J. M. Alderman presented the report of the Committee on Minister's Relief as follows:

REPORT OF MINISTER'S RELIEF BOARD.

This Board is located at Durham, N. C., with W. C. Tyree as its President and J. F. MacDuffie as its Corresponding Secretary. It began its work under the auspices of the North Carolina Baptist State Convention May 3, 1890.

There are and have been eighteen Associations helped by this Board. There is only one of the beneficiaries now on the Board who was admitted at the beginning, the rest having passed to their reward. There are two of the beneficiaries (widows of ministers)—having married, and now being supported by their husbands—who are not included in the death of the beneficiaries.

The Board has an amount loaned out on real estate of permanent interest-bearing fund of (Report of 1897) \$1,250. It has appropriated from permanent interest-bearing fund (Report of 1897) \$305. There has been a loan since the report of 1897. This will give us a larger appropriation from this fund this year. The amount appropriated to beneficiaries by the Board since its organization is (about) \$3,804. The amount appropriated since last Convention up to last of July is \$235.

In consideration of the importance of this Board, and the urgent calls it is making for these brethren who have stood where we are standing now, and who have "cried aloud and spared not," your committee wishes to recommend the same as the committees of the last two years—"that all the churches take at least one collection for this Board during the year, and that the pastors present the claims of the Board to their people and give them the needed information concerning its work."

Respectfully submitted,

J. M. ALDERMAN.

After remarks by J. M. Alderman, H. B. Duffy, J. C. Whitty, C. W. Blanchard, John Banks and A. W. Setzer, pledges were taken for this Board amounting to \$67. A cash collection was also taken amounting to \$7.52. The report was then adopted.

W. L. Bilbro, for the committee, presented the report on Temperance:

REPORT ON TEMPERANCE.

We believe that the liquor traffic is the most fruitful source of evil in this country; that it is sowing more poison, blasting more families, filling more prisons, entailing more insanity, suicides and murders, and sending more souls into perdition than any other sin. We further believe that every Christian ought to put himself on the side of temperance, and use his voice, his pen, his prayers and his

vote for the downfall of this great curse. We recommend that the pastors in the Atlantic Association be requested to preach and keep before their churches and people the awful evil of the great sin of intemperance.

Respectfully submitted.

COMMITTEE.

Remarks were made by J. M. Alderman, E. B. Lewis, C. B. Paul, J. C. Whitty, A. H. Harnly, H. C. Lockhart and A. D. Ward, and the report was adopted.

L. L. Leary made the report of the Committee to Nominate the Executive Board as follows:

A. H. Harnly, Chairman; J. B. Holland, U. C. Holton, M. S. Webb, W. J. Montford, R. D. Carroll, A. S. Willis.

Adopted.

The Association then adjourned to meet at 7.30 p. m.

FIRST DAY—EVENING SESSION.

H. B. Duffy made the following announcement as to the order of business: Report on Orphanage at the conclusion of sermon to-night; Wednesday 9.30 a. m.; devotional exercises conducted by J. B. Holland; 10, report of Executive Committee and Committee on State Missions; adjournment at will.

The Introductory Sermon was preached by A. W. Setzer. Subject, "Wanted, A Man." His text was 1 Cor. xvi. 13.

The Moderator extended the hand of welcome to W. C. Newton, the new pastor at the First Church, Goldsboro.

The following visiting brethren were recognized and welcomed to seats in the body: N. B. Broughton, representing the Biblical Recorder; J. B. Boone, General Manager of the Thomasville Orphanage; E. J. Edwards, representing the North Carolina Baptist; F. W. Luxford, pastor of the Christian Church, New Bern; John E. White, Corresponding Secretary of the North Carolina Baptist Convention.

W. C. Newton presented the report on the Orphanage as follows:

REPORT ON ORPHANAGE.

The Orphanage at Thomasville has developed so rapidly that it has become one of the most prominent institutions in the State, and one of the most successful Baptist training schools. Its objects are: To furnish homes for the homeless children of Baptist parents, and to this end there have been built five cottages which accommodate, though inadequately, 175 children, who are arranged in families; to give an elementary education to each one through the medium of their excellent school; and to train each child in some industrial

craft which will enable them to earn a livelihood. Above all there is an earnest endeavor to inculcate Christian morals and Baptist principles.

Your committee rejoice at the increasing zeal manifested by the Sunday Schools of our Association, but fear that there is a tendency to entrust this charity too entirely to the children.

W. CAREY NEWTON,
J. W. ROSE,
S. D. BYRD,

Committee.

Addresses were made by W. C. Newton and J. B. Boone, after which pledges were taken (see table) and a cash offering made amounting to \$11.48. The report was then adopted.

After announcements, the Association adjourned with benediction by J. W. Rose.

SECOND DAY—MORNING SESSION.

New Bern, N.C., October 11, 1899.

Devotional exercises were conducted by Rev. J. B. Boone.

The roll of churches and messengers was called.

W. T. Bilbro presented the following for Committee on Order of Business: Meet at 2.30 p. m.; Sunday Schools at 3; Home Missions at 3.30; Periodicals at 4.30.

A. H. Harnly, for Committee on Petitionary Letters, recommended that Oriental Church be received in this body. The report was adopted.

The minutes of yesterday were read and approved.

C. W. Blanchard, Chairman, presented the report of the Executive Committee, which was received, as follows:

REPORT OF EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE.

In many respects the same difficulty has confronted the Executive Committee during the last year that has been common in the history of the Association—too much destitution for the men and means at hand to supply it—but all in all the work has been more satisfactorily done than before. The Board of Missions is expending this year \$1,590 on our territory, an advance of more than \$500 over last year, and this has enabled us to put two new men on the field, Rev. M. P. Davis at Lagrange and in Greene County, and Rev. W. H. Dodd in Carteret County to help Rev. R. D. Carroll.

In every place the needs are great and many, and the encouragement is such as to warrant a larger effort in the future.

A SUMMARY OF THE WORK.

Rev. J. W. Rose removed in the beginning of the year from Lagrange to Goldsboro, and assumed the care of Second Church, Goldsboro, a mission in North Goldsboro, Falling Creek, Mount

Calvary, Emmaus, Seven Springs and Union churches. Good meetings were held during the year at each of his churches with varying results. As many as forty-five were added to the roll of his churches, and the spiritual condition of them all is good. Sunday Schools are kept open in all his churches, and some of them have Woman's Missionary Societies at work. It will be seen from the report of his churches that their liberality has been enlarged to all the conventional objects. Brother Rose has set a fine example as a missionary by acting as colporter on his field and scattering an abundance of denominational literature.

He received aid from the Board of Missions to the amount of \$150. Rev. M. P. Davis lives at Lagrange and serves Lagrange, Snow Hill, Castoria and Eureka churches. In addition to these churches he has cultivated five mission points, viz: Mayo's School House, five miles north of Eureka, a point just within the Greene County line from Eureka; Taylor's School House, two miles from Snow Hill in a southwest direction; William's School House, about six miles north of Castoria, and Gurganeon's School House near Lagrange. The churches under his care are all in fine spiritual condition, unless it be Snow Hill, and a good outlook is before them. The work at Castoria deserves special mention. The little church is just one year old, but it is a healthy baby. Twenty-five were added to its membership as the result of a meeting held there this summer, and still others will join of its result. It will soon be self-sustaining and liberal in its support to the Convention. Eureka has taken on new life and opens new promise. Lagrange is not a mission church, but is generous in helping to form a compact work in her destitute environments for a pastor and missionary. It is hoped that this church will want preaching two Sundays in the month another year. Thirty-three have been added to the membership of pastor Davis's churches during this year. All the missions cultivated by brother Davis this year are promising, and must be cultivated another year. Another missionary will be needed to take part of Elders Rose's and Davis's field. The Board helps this field \$115.

Rev. J. B. Jackson. —By the generous gifts of a few of the members of the Kinston Baptist Church, brother Jackson was employed in midsummer to do special work in Lenoir County, without charge to the State Board. He serves New Hope and Dover churches and the following promising out-stations: Cobb's Mill, about five miles southeast from Kinston; Sandy Bottom, about ten miles south of Kinston and midway between New Hope and Union churches, and Herring's School House, about five miles west of Kinston. At Sandy Bottom, as a result of a special meeting, ten were baptized, and it is likely an organization will be needed there soon. The work that brother Jackson is doing is very important, and we commend it to the further consideration of the Board. He is a worthy young man and wise planner and good preacher. His is the extending of a work before cultivated by the pastor of the Kinston Church.

Rev. R. D. Carroll occupies the Carteret County field as he did a year ago, and has had for a part of the year the help of Rev. W. H. Dodd. The points cultivated are about as they were last year, with sufficient encouragement to warrant a larger effort another year. Davis, Smyrna, Woodville, Leary and Marshallberg are constituted churches—the last two named yet to become members of the Association. The work in Carteret has been strengthened this year by the help of the voluntary missionaries who have labored there, and some additions have been made to the membership. No better man in all the State could be found for this work than brother Carroll, and he deserves all the help on this field that he may ask. In the

judgment of the committee a big effort ought to be made in this county during the next associational year. Some opportunities will not wait for us, and we believe this is true here. For the support of brethren Carroll and Dodd the Board appropriated \$450 in Carteret County this year.

Rev. Joseph Aden is on the Pamlico County field, and serves Truitts, Bayboro, Vandemere, Bay Creek and Oriental churches, the last named being constituted by him during this year. A misfortune, for which our missionary is not accountable, has hindered our cause in this country, but by wise management and push we shall yet move on. There are a number of out-points cultivated by brother Aden in connection with his churches, and are bidding in their prospects. In the absence of a definite report from the missionary, we are unable to give particulars of work. The Board was to help this field at the rate of \$200 per year. It would be a wise expenditure if the Board could put a helper to brother Aden on this field another year.

Rev. C. B. Paul is our efficient missionary in Onslow County. Like a brave soldier, he is fighting the battle wisely and courageously. The work on his field has been more especially that of development. The great ingatherings on this field during the last year have given special need for indoctrination and encouragement. The work has been strengthened in Onslow by the faithful work of several of our voluntary missionaries. Swansboro, Enon's Chapel, Piny Grove, Bear Creek, Atlantic, Cool Spring, Capernaum and Moore's Chapel should be grouped in a field for two men another year, and their salaries supplemented by the Board of Missions. No better mission work could be done in Onslow County than the establishment of a good secondary school at Swansboro. All the encouragement possible should be offered in building up good schools in all parts of our territory.

Rev. J. M. Alderman is Bishop of Jones and Craven County Missions. A year ago we felt that the work was too much for one man, but did not see the forthcoming of means to add the extra man. He serves Spring Garden, Fort Barnwell, Trenton, Pollockville and Maysville. While there has not been large ingatherings on this field, we trust the work has held its own and is in good condition for two men to take up another year and press on to greater success.

Rev. W. L. Bilbro is in charge of Ayden and Winterville churches with some mission points in Pitt County, the location of which we are unable to give. We have had no report from the missionary in charge, and are unable to make suggestions about the field or its outlook.

Brother Simpson of Beaufort and brother Oliver of Swansboro and brother Aman of Marines, have done some work during the last year in the borders of the Association that is worthy of consideration, though they were not under the employment of the Board.

In Beaufort County Rev. J. N. Booth, the former pastor at Washington, did some preaching without expense to the Board. In a letter he most earnestly commends this work to the Board's consideration.

One thing impresses your committee as being most important to our future success, viz: that we should arouse the churches of our Association to see the opportunity of the hour and seize upon it before it is wasted. A larger conception of our duty; a larger liberality to sustain the work; a firmer hope in the promises of Him who said, "Go," and "Lo I am with you always" will lead us to sure and speedy victory.

C. W. BLANCHARD,
HIGHT C. MOORE,
Committee.

A. W. Setzer offered the report on State Missions:

REPORT ON STATE MISSIONS.

During its history the State Mission Board has been the agency under God and the churches for having the gospel preached at more than 3,000 destitute points in our State, at which 550 churches have been organized and houses of worship built, and into the fellowship of which have been baptized not less than 30,000 souls. It is impossible to estimate the far-reaching effect which the work of our missionaries has had upon every department of our denominational life.

Your committee rejoices to report that our State Mission work this year is the largest and most successful of our history. We have one hundred regular missionaries in the field, supplying the destitution at 358 points in 69 counties of North Carolina. In addition to these we have our volunteer mission corps, composed of one hundred and twenty of our ablest pastors who are supplementing and reinforcing the work of our regular workers.

In western North Carolina in the territory of the former Western North Carolina Convention we have one general missionary and six district and local missionaries. God is blessing our undertaking there richly, and despite obstacles, we will see great things from our work.

The Board of Missions was instructed by the last Baptist State Convention to increase its appropriations to \$20,000 this year. The Board has done this. It is therefore necessary, if we avoid a debt, that our churches increase their contributions to State Missions \$5,000. Up to the present date the receipts for State Missions indicate that we will needs have to appeal earnestly to every church for an extra collection. We are glad to report from the Corresponding Secretary of the Convention that the Associations throughout the State have increased their pledges for next year 33 1-3 per cent.

We urge this Association to do likewise. In view of the fact that we have so much need of assistance in our mission work, we should encourage the Board to help us liberally by coming up liberally ourselves to the support of the Board. We therefore urgently insist that it is the duty of each church in this Association to increase its pledge to State Missions.

A. W. SETZER,
M. LESLIE DAVIS,
H. C. LOCKHART,
Committee.

Reports of the missionaries in the Association were presented in this connection: R. D. Carroll, of the Carteret County field; W. T. Bilbro, of the Pitt County field; J. W. Rose, of the Wayne County field; M. P. Davis, of the Lenoir and Greene County field; Joseph Aden, of the Pamlico field; C. B. Paul, of the Onslow field; J. B. Jackson, of the Lenoir field, in the vicinity of Kinston, and J. M. Alderman, of the Jones County field.

The Association was then addressed by John E. White, Corresponding Secretary of the State Convention. Pledges were taken for State Missions amounting to \$377 (see table) and the report adopted.

It was moved that the Association continue its session through to-morrow. Adjourned to meet at 2.30 p. m.

SECOND DAY—AFTERNOON SESSION.

Devotional exercises were conducted by Joseph Aden. The report on Sunday Schools not being in the house, the report on Home Missions was called for, and was presented by C. B. Paul, as follows:

REPORT ON HOME MISSIONS.

The Home Mission Board of the Southern Baptist Convention has under its care the frontier mission field, beginning at the Kansas line, and running southward to the Rio Grande and along the river to the Gulf of Mexico. This territory is about one thousand miles long by five hundred miles broad, and embraces within its area some of the most productive lands on the continent. It is being rapidly settled by a sturdy, enterprising people, who are laying the foundations of a great civilization. When we take into consideration the advantages that an early occupation of this territory would give us, we feel impelled to say that a proper denominational pride, to say nothing of higher and holier objects, should urge us as Baptists to see to it that the Southern Board shall not be crippled in its noble efforts to meet this great demand by a lack of cooperation on our part. The neglect of the eastern portion of our own State by the Baptists of North Carolina, tells us too plainly what we may expect if we fail to meet the opportunities of this field as they present themselves.

In addition to this field and the work in the large cities among the foreign population, and the great mountain section, which at this time is attracting such wide attention, we have before us a wide-open door into Cuba. Shall not the same enthusiasm which swept over our country a few months past, in behalf of this down-trodden race, inspire every true Baptist of our Southland in their effort to give these people, along with political freedom, that freedom which shall make them free indeed?

Can we not see that God in His providence, by giving us Diaz and his corps of native helpers, has committed the spiritual welfare of this island to the Baptists of the South? Let every Baptist of the Atlantic Association decide what part he will play in this great work.

In comparing the statistics of last year with those of the present, it is gratifying to note the marked increase in every department of this great work. The number of missionaries employed this year is 653, against 467 last year. Baptisms this year 6,552, against 4,739 last year; additions to churches this year 12,983, against 9,509 last year. The amount raised and expended on the field this year is \$65,818.81, against \$54,251.04 last year.

Thus in spite of the declaration of war and the shock it gave to business, the excitement which followed the sailing of fleets and marching of armies, the dread of fever and other contagious diseases brought back by returning soldiers, the low price of agricultural products, the long icy winter and stormy spring, we have made material progress all along the line, for which our hearts should swell with gratitude to the Giver of all good.

It is also pleasing to note the increased interest in this work manifested by our noble women. In this, as in every other good work, the sisters by their zeal and sacrifices are far in the lead.

Through the Woman's Missionary Union they are doing a work, the results of which eternity alone can measure. They contrib-

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In 1899, the 46 churches reported for Pastor's Salaries the sum of \$5888.34

In 1935, Wreckhead City, New Bern
First + New Bern Tabernacle
paid their Pastors more than the
whole Assn. paid ^{its Pastors} in 1899, with
enough left over, lacking \$171.95
of paying the Pastor's salary at
Wreckhead in 1899

In 1935, Mayaville + Pollockville
contributed to Co-Operative Program
\$20.34 more than the whole Atlantic
Assn. contributed for Foreign Missions
in 1899, these two churches having
only 278 members in 1935

In 1935, Marshallburg, Oriental +
Trenton gave for all purpose 34.50
more than the whole Atlantic
Association contributed in 1899 for
the Orphanage, Home Miss, For. Miss,
State Miss, S. S. Miss, Education
+ Min. Relief, all the 7 objects
of the Constitution, and these three
small churches had in 1935
only 159 members, and in
1899, 46 churches had 2977 mem-

Ms., which included Goldsboro & Kinston, two strong churches then as now.

I close with this
So it seems to me that
this should encourage
us to press on in this
glorious Kingdom
service.

In 1935, New Bern 1st
contributed for all purposes
507.17 more than the Baptist
State Convention contributed
for the Orphanage in 1899,
and that year there were
297,612 members ^{in the state} as against
New Bern's 652 members in 1936

uted through this union last year over \$24,000 worth of supplies. May these encouraging facts inspire us to grander and nobler deeds in the years to come.

C. B. PAUL,
M. P. DAVIS,
B. A. RIGGS,
Committee.

After remarks by C. B. Paul and J. B. Boone, pledges were taken amounting to \$132.50 (see table), and the report adopted.

E. B. Lewis presented the report on Sunday Schools:

REPORT ON SUNDAY SCHOOLS.

Your committee beg leave to submit the following report:

Last year twenty-eight churches reported a total of: Scholars, 1,990; officers and teachers, 253; total, 2,243. Library books, 540. Contributions (all objects), \$856.02.

Sixteen churches did not report. There are in this Association 2,789 church members therefore, and only 2,243 members of Sunday Schools if we consider the unreported churches as having no Sunday Schools.

While it is a fact that a church may exist without a Sunday School, it is also true that no church has a normal growth without one. The action of our State Convention a few years ago in putting into the field a State Secretary for Sunday School work is the wisest step taken in late years, and will be productive of the very greatest good to the Baptist cause in the State. Whoever holds the youth of a country holds its future also.

Your committee would commend in the highest terms the work of brother J. W. Rose in his own district and do earnestly recommend that Bro. B. W. Spilman be requested through the State Board to spend more of his efforts within our bounds, as the field is certainly the most ready for results within the State.

E. B. LEWIS,
J. C. WHITTY
Committee.

The report was discussed by N. B. Broughton and C. W. Blanchard, and adopted.

On motion, the consideration of Periodicals is deferred till a later hour.

J. B. Jackson presented the report on Unrepresented Churches:

REPORT ON UNREPRESENTED CHURCHES.

The Committee on Unrepresented Churches reports Maysville Church for the lack of interest and no representation, and as all the other churches of this county intend joining with the new Association, we recommend this church go with them. Cool Springs for the same reason (lack of interest) failed to send messengers. Piny Grove (Jones County) sent three delegates with its letter which was either lost after being handed in, or not handed in. Bayboro, Bay Creek and Vandemere's pastor resigned some time before delegates were to be selected, and hence no doubt the reason they had no representatives.

J. B. JACKSON,
A. D. KELLUM,
J. A. PATTERSON,
Committee.

D. F. Aman, for the committee, reported as follows, which was adopted:

Messengers to State Convention—C. B. Paul, R. D. Carroll, M. S. Webb.
To Southern Baptist Convention—A. W. Setzer, with H. C. Moore alternate.

W. L. Bilbro, for Committee on Order of Business, reported as follows:

7.30—Devotional service and miscellaneous business.
8—Foreign Missions.
9—Periodicals.

E. B. Lewis, for the committee, suggested constitutional amendments to Article 6, so as to show specifically each object of the Association: to Article 10 changing time of meeting from Tuesday to Thursday; to sections 4 and 9 of the By-Laws defining more explicitly the duties of the Clerk.

The recommendations were adopted.

J. E. Peterson presented the following resolution, which was adopted:

Resolved, That in consequence of a resolution adopted at the last meeting of the Atlantic Association looking to a division of this body, and asking the privilege of a conference of churches in Le-noir, Jones, Greene, Wayne and part of Pitt counties to meet at Fort Barnwell, such meeting being held, the opportunity be now given said churches to ask for letters of dismission through their representatives.

Benediction by M. P. Davis.

SECOND DAY—EVENING SESSION

Devotional exercises were conducted by W. C. Newton. The Committee on Place and Preacher submitted the following report, which was adopted:

Place, Morehead City; Preacher, A. H. Harnly.

The report on Foreign Missions was presented by A. H. Harnly, as follows:

Last words of a friend are always sacred, and frequently of the utmost importance. The last words of our Friend of friends, our Elder Brother, Christ, should be especially sacred to us. So far as recorded they are these: "Ye shall receive power after that the Holy Spirit is come upon you, and ye shall be witnesses unto me both in Jerusalem, and in all Judea and in Samaria and unto the uttermost

part of the earth. Go ye therefore, and teach all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit; teaching them to observe all things whatsoever I have commanded you; and, lo, I am with you always, even unto the end of age."

That all nations may be taught, the Foreign Mission Board has been constituted, and the Foreign Mission work has been organized. Under the direction of this Board men and women of heroic mould and devout spirit have given and are giving themselves, a living sacrifice, that the gospel may be preached to every creature.

Christ has graciously fulfilled His promise. He has been with them from the beginning. He is with them now. The harvest of the past year has been especially gratifying—845 were baptized—the best record in the history of the Board. And yet what are they among so many? Old fields everywhere are calling for enlargement. From new fields comes to us the Macedonian cry for help. Shall this call and this cry go unheeded? Shall we be content with the little we have been doing, with the mite we have been giving, or shall we in the name of God resolve greater things for the future than we have done in the past? The fields are indeed white unto harvest, and the laborers are few. But there are others who stand ready and are saying here am I; send me. By our enlarged gifts let us do our part toward sending them, and the blessing will be ours as well as the heathen's.

After remarks by A. H. Harnly, John E. White and W. Carey Newton, pledges were taken (see table), and the report adopted.

During the discussion, a collection was taken for State Missions amounting to \$14.18.

H. B. Duffy reported the following order of business for tomorrow:

9.30—Devotional exercises and miscellaneous business.

10—Periodicals.

11—Digest of church letters.

Adjourned with benediction by John E. White.

THIRD DAY—MORNING SESSION.

New Bern, N. C., October 12, 1899.

The opening exercises were conducted by J. B. Jackson, who read the 51st Psalm.

M. P. Davis led in prayer.

Minutes of yesterday were read and approved.

M. S. Webb, Treasurer of the Association, presented his report, showing that he had received and properly disbursed \$259.59.

Adopted.

Hight C. Moore was elected member of the State Board of Missions and Sunday Schools from this Association.

The Moderator appointed the standing committees for the ensuing year. (See first pages of Minutes.)

On motion of H. B. Duffy, the Clerk is requested to communicate the sympathy of the Association to S. D. Byrd, delegate from Seven Springs, who has this day received a message announcing the death of his father.

On motion, the Moderator appointed Foreign Mission representatives in each of the churches. (Annexed to table of pledges.)

J. W. Rose presented the report on Periodicals:

REPORT ON PERIODICALS.

Your committee rejoices in the increased facilities for the spreading of knowledge, and in the fact that our people are more and more availing themselves of the privileges.

It is specially gratifying that our own denominational papers are keeping pace with the progress of the times.

There is nothing of more importance than that our homes shall be supplied with good Baptist literature, that we and our children may be informed on every phase of our work, and established in all our doctrines. There is no agency that has done more in this direction than the Biblical Recorder—the organ of our denomination. For sixty-five years it has stood by and stimulated every enterprise of our denomination. You can not be an intelligent Baptist in North Carolina without the weekly visits of this most honored periodical to your homes.

We also recommend Charity and Children, Foreign Mission Journal, Baptist Historical Papers, Our Home Field, North Carolina Baptist and Exponent. And to the Sunday Schools of our Association the Southern Baptist Convention series of Sunday School literature, which can be easily obtained through our Baptist Book Store, Raleigh, N. C.

Respectfully submitted,

JAS. W. ROSE,
J. E. PETERSON,
C. B. PAUL,
Committee.

Remarks by J. W. Rose, N. B. Broughton, A. H. Harnly, C. W. Blanchard, E. B. Lewis, S. M. Brinson, J. M. Alderman and J. C. Whitty.

The report was then adopted.

H. B. Duffy made the final report on order of business as follows:

Intermission during the afternoon.

Discussion of education at 7.30.

J. B. Jackson submitted the report on Obituaries:

REPORT ON OBITUARIES.

Bro. John D. Davis, of Beaufort, fell on sleep on February 17, 1899. Brother Davis had been a zealous and faithful member of the Beaufort Baptist Church for a long time before his death. He was a leader in many things. But for him the Baptist cause in Beaufort would have suffered greatly during the years that have passed. He was a pillar in the Baptist Church there. He loved to support his

pastor and give to missions. He was sent by his church as a delegate to the Southern Baptist Convention when it met in Raleigh, and to the State Convention when it met in Goldsboro. He was loved and honored by all his brethren, and highly esteemed by all who knew him. Our cause in Carteret County loses greatly by his death.

Bro. J. M. Wooten, of Kinston, passed away during the year. Brother Wooten was a pioneer Baptist in the Eastern Association for a long time before the Atlantic Association was formed. At the time of his death he was a deacon of the Kinston Church. He was a strong Christian and loyal Baptist. In the day when our cause was weak in his section, he unfalteringly maintained the faith once for all delivered to the saints. Brother Wooten was a Baptist for more than fifty years, and was active in the meetings of the denomination. The existence of Baptists in Kinston to-day is, in some measure, due to his power and influence. We cherish his memory.

Bro. John H. Eaton, of Morehead City, passed away soon after the last session of the Association. He was one of the charter members of the Association, and was an active worker until his death. He was a great help to the Baptist cause in Morehead City, and was for some years Clerk of the Association. He was a liberal supporter of his church and pastor, and every worthy object found in him a friend. Brother Eaton was a young man when he died, but even in the short period which he lived he had established a well-rounded Christian character. He was a true Baptist. Peace be to his ashes.

Bro. C. J. Nelson, of Goldsboro, was gathered into the garner on high in the early part of this year. Brother Nelson was for a long time a pioneer Baptist preacher in the eastern counties of the State. He helped to establish several churches and helped to build several houses of worship. He strengthened our cause in the days when it was too weak to stand alone. He was never a prominent pastor, yet he did a work that was far-reaching as the work that any of the pastors have done. He preached at Washington, Greenville, Snow Hill, and reorganized several churches after the war. He was a good financier, and offered his service freely to the cause, and was a leading spirit in the establishment of the First Church of Goldsboro, and was the first Superintendent of Sunday Schools in Wayne County. Much of his preaching was done as supply for churches that did not have regular pastors. Out of the deep charity of his heart, he always responded to the calls of the needy.

R. D. CARROLL,
J. B. JACKSON,
Committee.

A. W. Setzer presented the report of the Committee on Digest of Church Letters which, on motion, was referred to the Clerk for use in the compilation of the minutes.

S. M. Brinson presented the report of the Finance Committee, which was adopted. The following is a summary of the report: State Missions, \$102.69; Home Missions, \$9.12; Foreign Missions, \$12.00; Education, \$17.90; Orphanage, \$30.42; Ministers' Relief, \$7.52; Minute Fund, \$32.95; unassigned, \$15.15; total, \$227.75.

On motion, the report of the Woman's Meeting, auxiliary to this body, is ordered printed in the minutes.

The following churches having applied by letter and through their messengers, were granted permission to form a new Association at Lagrange on the 26th instant: Antioch, Ayden, Castoria, Cove, Dover, Emmaus, Falling Creek, Fort Barnwell, Goldsboro First, Goldsboro Second, Kinston, Lagrange, Mount Calvary, Mount Nelson, New Hope, Pollockville, Piny Grove (Jones), Seven Springs, Snow Hill, Spring Garden, Trenton and Union.

The following pledges were taken for Sunday School Missions: Morehead City, \$10; Tabernacle \$10; Middle Street \$10; Oregon \$1; Swansboro (pledged by H. B. Duffy) \$5; total \$36.

Adjourned with benediction by Joseph Aden.

THIRD DAY.—EVENING SESSION.

The Association was led in prayer by N. B. Broughton. On motion, the Clerk is allowed the usual fee of ten dollars for his services.

M. P. Davis offered the following resolution, which was adopted:

Resolved, That the thanks and hearty appreciation of the delegates and visiting brethren who have attended the session of this Association are due, and are hereby tendered, to the Baptists of New Bern for their kindness and genuine hospitality during our stay among them.

Hight C. Moore presented the report on Education:

Your Committee on Education submit the following:

1. We believe in Christian Education, that of which Christ is the center; the voluntary principle in the maintenance of higher education, and the duty of the State to expend its available educational funds for the education of its 600,000 children of school age.

2. We conceive it to be the duty of all Christian parents to give their children a good preparatory education. The young men seeking collegiate training we recommend to Wake Forest College, which is now doing the best work for the largest number in all its distinguished history; and to young ladies the new Female University, which has just opened at Raleigh with an able faculty, a large student body, and flattering prospects. Our young ministers should be encouraged to take a course in the Southern Baptist Theological Seminary.

3. There are three phases of our educational work which demand liberal gifts from the churches: our Female University at Raleigh, that its equipment may be complete and its accommodations extended; the Board of Education at Wake Forest, which helps young ministers to secure a collegiate education; and the Student's Aid Fund, of Louisville, Ky., which enables needy young ministers to enjoy seminary training.

4. It is the opinion of your committee that we need within our bounds one or more first-class academies under the auspices of the Association. We suggest, therefore, that the Executive Committee be requested to take this matter under advisement, investigate the field, and report on this subject at the next meeting of this body.

SOME FACTS PRESENTED TO THE ATLANTIC ASSOCIATION

BY

M. LESLIE DAVIS.

The Atlantic Association convened at the Tabernacle Baptist Church of New Berne, N. C., on October 10th., 1899. The Moderator of the Association was Rev. C. W. Blanchard of Kinston, the Clerk was Dr. Hight C. Moore of New Berne, the Treasurer M. S. Webb of Morehead and the Historian was Hon. S. M. Brinson of New Berne. This was the first Association the speaker attended as a delegate and well I remember that meeting.

The following appears in the minutes of the first session:

"A. H. Harnly, for the committee, made the following report:

"Your Committee of Petitionary Letters having examined the letter and inquired into the organization of the Marshallberg Baptist Church, find that the church was regularly organized in harmony with the usages of our denomination, and do hereby recommend that said church be received into the Atlantic Association and that its delegates be given seats in this body.

"The report was adopted and the hand of welcome was extended by the Moderator to the messengers of the Marshallberg Church".

The delegate present was Capt. W. T. Gillikin. The Pastor was Rev. R. D. Carroll and the Clerk M. T. Lewis. There had been 3 Baptisms and ten received by letter. One death and twelve total membership with five (5) males and seven (7) female members. The church reported \$2.70 for State Missions. The pledges made for the next year were as follows: Minister's Relief, \$1.00; Orphanage \$1.00; State Missions \$2.50; Home Missions \$1.00; Foreign Missions \$1.00. Capt. W. T. Gillikin was appointed "Foreign Mission Representative". I think this was a splendid report for the little church and a splendid beginning for the future work.

So this church, where we have the honor of meeting to-day, (the first Annual Association ever to be held in this church) began its great work just a little more than thirty-seven years ago. Let us see what this church is doing now. I must use the 1935 report as I have not yet the 1936 report which I understand is unusually fine. (One item over thirty baptisms this year)

In 1935, Marshallberg Church reported a membership of 95. A Sunday School enrollment of 90 with our good friend, D. R. Lewis as Supt. Mrs. Neta Hancock was the Clerk of the Church and the value of the church property was \$6000.00. The church reported for local work the sum of \$631.58 and for Benevolences \$74.87, making a total for the year of \$706.45, or a per capita gift of \$6.64 plus ~~###~~ for local objects and for all objects a per capita of \$7.43 plus. The W. M. S and Y. W. A. contributed \$35.36 for the year. When we remember that the church's former Pastor was sick quite a good deal and the new Pastor came on the field just a short time before the Association met, this is certainly a fine report. Under the leadership of their present Pastor, Rev. W. B. Sprinkle, the church has made wonderful strides all along the line, and I am sure that this year's report will be the best yet as this church has "been going places", to use a slang expression.

Now what have we as an Association done since we received the "baby" church in 1899. At that time the Atlantic Association had 46 churches, with a membership of 2,777, with two churches not reporting its membership. The next year the Association was divided forming the Neuse and Atlantic Associations, and they remained apart until 1907 when at New Berne they merged forming the Neuse-Atlantic, and as is familiar to us, dividing again in 1929, forming again two associations, the Neuse and the Atlantic.

Last year we reported 33 churches with a membership of 4188 with one church not making any report. Total Contributions \$29,630.49 and a per capita of 7.07+, the per capita for 1899 being 4.86+ with the large churches of Kinston & Goldsboro being members then, but are not members now of our association.

The Atlantic Association convened at the University of
Cambridge on June 1, 1958. The Director of
the study was Dr. J. H. Coatsworth. The
purpose of the study was to examine the
effect of the Atlantic Conference on the
Atlantic area.

The study was conducted in the form of a
series of seminars. The seminars were
held in the University of Cambridge
Library. The seminars were held on
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After discussion by C. W. Blanchard and N. B. Broughton, the report was adopted.

The churches were requested to give as much as last year to education.

Closing remarks were made by H. B. Duffy, S. M. Brinson, C. W. Blanchard, J. W. Rose and M. P. Davis, and the Association adjourned to meet in Morehead City Thursday after second Sunday in October, 1900.

C. W. BLANCHARD,
Moderator.

HIGHT C. MOORE, Clerk.

WOMAN'S MEETING.

The second annual meeting of the Woman's Missionary Society was held in Middle Street church, New Bern, Wednesday afternoon, October 11, 1899.

Devotional exercises were led by Mrs. Hight C. Moore.

Mrs. C. B. Paul was requested to act as Secretary.

After a few timely remarks from the President, reports from different societies were submitted as follows:

New Bern, Middle Street—President, Miss Sarah Wilson; Secretary, Mrs. S. C. Jenkins.

Contributions for State Missions, - - - - -	\$15.45
Contributions for Home Missions, - - - - -	52.35
Contributions for Foreign Missions, - - - - -	23.60
Amount on hand, - - - - -	6.90
Total contributions, - - - - -	98.30

Lagrange—President, Mrs. M. P. Davis; Secretary, Miss Lola Wallis; members, 34.

Contributions for State Missions, - - - - -	\$5.00
Contributions for Home Missions, - - - - -	5.00
Contributions for Foreign Missions, - - - - -	2.50
Amount on hand, - - - - -	20.00
Total, - - - - -	32.50

Pollokville—

Contributions for State Missions, - - - - -	\$7.00
Contributions for Home Missions, - - - - -	5.76
Contributions for Foreign Missions, - - - - -	2.55
Value of box for Frontier Missionary, - - - - -	17.00
Christmas offering, - - - - -	6.00
Ministerial Relief, - - - - -	2.45
Total, - - - - -	40.76

Kinston—President, Mrs. J. F. Parrott; Secretary, Mrs. C. D. Ray. Members, 32; average attendance, 13; number of cottage prayer-meetings organized, 1; Foreign Mission Journals, 15.

Contributions for State Missions, - - - - -	\$125.21
Contributions for Home Missions, - - - - -	29.75
Contributions for Foreign Missions, - - - - -	38.54
Value of box for Home Missions, - - - - -	47.50
Christmas offering, - - - - -	27.00
Cuba, - - - - -	12.00
Ministerial Relief, - - - - -	5.00
Total, - - - - -	285.00

New Bern, Middle Street, Sunbeams—President, Miss Lottie Jordan; Secretary, Miss Alberta Snellings; members, 25.

Contributions for Missions, - - - - -	\$17.00
Contributions for Orphanage, - - - - -	7.00
Contributions for poor of Sunday School, - - - - -	6.00
Amount on hand, - - - - -	5.08
Total, - - - - -	35.08

Mrs. T. J. Mitchell then read notes taken of a trip on a Chinese house-boat from Soochow to Chinkiang, by Nannie S. Britton, Soochow, China.

A very interesting pamphlet was read by Mrs. H. B. Duffy. The societies were then addressed by Miss Waugh, a missionary from James City.

Miss Alice Smith read a paper on the Growth of the Woman's Work in North Carolina.

The societies were then addressed by Bro. John E. White, Corresponding Secretary of the Baptist State Convention.

Mrs. Moore then urged the societies to greater effort and usefulness, and after requesting the names of those who would do all they could to organize new societies, the meeting was closed with singing.

Mrs. HIGHT C. MOORE,
President.

Mrs. C. B. PAUL, Secretary.

PLEDGES.

Churches.	Ministers' Relief	Orphanage	State Missions.	Home Missions.	Foreign Missions.	Education.	Foreign Mission Representative.
Atlantic	\$2.00	\$1.00	\$5.00	\$1.00	\$1.00		T. Provost, Marines.
Bayboro	2.00	2.00	15.00	2.00	2.00	\$5.00	Mrs. J. F. Cowell, Bayboro.
Bay Creek	1.00	1.00	2.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	M. M. Meekins, Mesic.
Bear Creek	2.00	1.00	5.00	1.00	1.00		Herman Guthrie, Linwood.
Beaufort	1.00	1.00	2.50	1.00	1.00	5.00	Miss Annie Davis, Beaufort.
Capernaum	1.00	1.00	2.50	1.00	1.00		B. M. Riggs, Palo Alto
Christian Hope							Isaac Ramsey, Jacksonville.
Cool Spring	2.00	10.00	15.00	2.00	3.00	2.50	Miss Betty Paul, Davis.
Davis Shore	2.00	5.00	15.00	3.00	5.00	1.00	W. J. Montford, Ward's Mill
Enon Chapel	1.00	1.00	2.50	1.00	1.00		W. T. Gilliken, Marshallberg
Marshallberg							
Maysville	1.00	1.00	2.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	
Moore's Chapel	5.00	75.00	75.00	15.00	25.00	12.00	Miss Rosa Moore, Wildwood
Morehead City	20.00	25.00	100.00	60.00	75.00	20.00	Miss Mary Bell, Morehead City.
New Bern—Middle Street	15.00	100.00	75.00	35.00	50.00	15.00	Miss Alice Smith, New Bern.
Tabernacle							F. G. Mitchell, New Bern.
Oregon	2.00			1.00	1.00		Miss Kelly, South Creek.
Oriental	1.00	1.00	5.00	1.00	1.00		Mrs. J. M. Morgan, Oriental.
Piny Grove	1.00	3.00	12.00	2.50	2.00	1.00	E. Morton, Swansboro.
Smyrna	2.00	8.00	15.00	3.00	3.00	1.00	Miss Effie Willis, Smyrna
Swansboro	1.00	1.00	5.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	J. B. Olive, Swansboro.
Truitt	2.00	2.00	10.00	1.00	2.00	1.00	Miss Bessie Thomas, Zorah.
Vandemere	1.00	1.00	5.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	Mrs. U. C. Holton, Vandemere.
Woodville	1.00	1.00	3.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	Miss Nancy Arthur, Beaufort.
Total	67.00	269.00	377.00	132.50	182.00	66.50	

NOTE.—The pledges for Education were made the same as last year by vote of the Association

STATISTICS.

Churches.	Pastors.	Clerks.	Sabbath of Preaching.	Baptisms	Received by Letter	Restored	Dismissed by Letter	Excluded	Died	Net Gain.	Net Loss	Value of Church Property.	Seating Capacity	Number of Males.	Number of Females.	Total Membership.
Antioch	W. L. Bilbro	J. D. Cox, Winterville	fourth	3	4		8	6	2		9	\$700	500	39	35	74
Atlantic	C. B. Paul	Loney Marshall, Marines	second				3				2	225	175	10	10	20
Ayden	W. L. Bilbro	C. L. Tyson, Ayden	second	7						7		100	200	9	19	28
Bayboro	Joseph Aden	Bethany Campen, Bayboro	fourth	1			2					1,250	300	9	27	36
Bay Creek	Joseph Aden	W. D. Latham, Mesic	fourth	2			4				2	400	150	13	22	35
Bear Creek	C. B. Paul	F. Guthrie, Bayboro	every	4	4	1	4	8	3		10	1,500	400	50	70	120
Beaufort	D. F. Aman	B. M. Riggs, Palo Alto	third	23	2	3	2	1	1	25		500	200	73	50	123
Capernaum	M. P. Davis	W. E. Pate, Castoria	third	9			1			6				25	49	74
Castoria	N. A. Shellie	Isaac Ramsey, Quincy	third	9			1							26	52	78
Cool Spring																
Cove Spring																
Dover	R. D. Carroll	T. B. Inoch, Cove	2d & 4th	2						2				44	57	101
Dover	J. B. Jackson	R. L. Paul, Davis	second	2										7	7	14
Emmas	J. W. Rose	H. L. Wooten, Dover	first	3						1				8	18	26
Enon Chapel	C. B. Paul	J. C. Edwards, Dudley	fourth	1			5			13		350	250	51	70	121
Falling Creek	J. M. Alderman	T. L. Sutton, Grantham	third	6	1	1	3	12	2	6		500	200	38	42	80
Fort Barnwell	J. M. Alderman	J. W. Lane, Fort Barnwell	every	2			2					400	250	20	21	41
Goldsboro—First	W. C. Newton	J. M. Hollowell, Goldsboro	third	9	7	1	21	3	2	6	16	6,000	500	135	183	318
Goldsboro—Second	J. W. Rose	W. A. Denmark, Goldsboro	every	2	22	1	7	3	3	19		7,000	200	23	51	74
Kinston	J. W. Rose	R. H. Lewis, Kinston	third	3	4		4					17,000	400	68	141	209
Lagrange	M. P. Davis	W. H. Burke, Lagrange	fourth	3	10		4			1		2,500	400	19	46	65
Marshallberg	R. D. Carroll	M. T. Lewis, Marshallberg	third	4						1				5	7	12
Maysville	J. M. Alderman	Miss E. Umphrey, Maysville	fourth	4								200	210	12	19	31
Morehead City	E. Simpson	W. H. Moore, Wildwood	every	3	2	2	11		5	1		4,800	400	77	117	194
Mount Calvary	A. W. Setzer	M. S. Webb, Morehead City	first	1	3		4			3		250	250	8	10	18
Mount Nelson	J. W. Rose	R. A. Parker, Goldsboro	first	6	8	1	3			1		20,000	700	66	138	204
New Bern	Hight C. Moore	Mrs. Rice E. Strother, Eureka	every	5	5		4			12		5,000	350	27	36	63
New Hope	A. H. Harnly	S. M. Brinson, New Bern	third	10			4			2		300	250	21	34	55
Oregon	C. W. Blanchard	J. A. Patterson, New Bern	third											6	4	10
Oriental	Joseph Aden	W. J. Smith, Oriental	1st & 2d	2			9			2				20	28	48
Polkville	J. M. Alderman	T. A. Bell, Polkville	second	5			4			11				25	37	62
Piny Grove	J. B. Paul	H. R. Parker, Oliver's	fourth	7			1			6		500	300	35	49	84
Seven Springs	J. W. Rose	W. E. Morton, Swansboro	second	4			10			12		500	200	19	21	40
Smyrna	R. D. Carroll	A. H. Daly, Seven Springs	second	5			1			10		500	200	7	17	24
Snow Hill	M. P. Davis	J. B. Hancock, Snow Hill	fourth	4			1			1		500	300	4	8	12
Spring Garden	J. M. Alderman	Mrs. M. W. Carman, Lima	third	1			1			1		1,000	150	4	59	104
Swansboro	C. B. Paul	M. W. Heady, Swansboro	first	1			8			1		500	300	8	13	21
Trenton	J. M. Alderman	C. C. Perry, Trenton	second	2			1			8				17	11	28
Union	Joseph Aden	N. Gaskins, Zorah	third	2			1			1		500	200	13	30	43
Vandemere	J. W. Rose	W. W. Rouse, Strabane	second				1			1				15	18	33
Woodville	Joseph Aden	U. C. Holton, Vandemere	third				1			1		125		21	27	48
Total		J. S. W. Hellen, Beaufort		147	107	20	102	71	35	156	95	62,750	7,235	1,107	1,645	2,772

* Statistics from former minutes.

