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MINUTES

of the

Twenty-Third Annual Session

of the

Atlantic Baptist Association,

held with the

DAVIS SHORE BAPTIST CHURCH,

DAVIS, N. C.,

October 17 and 18, 1906.

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The next session is to be held with the Swansboro Baptist Church Tuesday morning, after the first Sunday in November, 1907. Rev. R. D. Cross to preach the Introductory Sermon.

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OFFICERS.

Moderator—J. S. Canady.....Swansboro, N. C.
Clerk and Historian—B. H. Mathews.....Swansboro, N. C.
Treasurer—J. W. Green.....Bayboro, N. C.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE.

R. D. Cross.....Morehead City, N. C.
S. M. Brinson.....New Bern, N. C.
D. H. Green.....New Bern, N. C.
J. S. Canady.....Swansboro, N. C.
L. L. Leary.....Morehead City, N. C.

REGISTER OF ORDAINED MINISTERS.

W. A. Ayers.....New Bern, N. C.
E. C. Andrews.....Swansboro, N. C.
J. B. Olive.....Maysville, N. C.
B. H. Mathews.....Swansboro, N. C.
R. D. Cross.....Morehead City, N. C.
D. F. Aman.....Marines, N. C.
J. A. Heilig.....Morehead City, N. C.
I. N. Henderson.....Hubert, N. C.
J. E. King.....Swansboro, N. C.

STANDING COMMITTEES.

State Missions—E. C. Andrews, W. L. Britt.
Home Missions—R. D. Cross, W. J. Montfort, Jr.
Foreign Missions—W. A. Ayers, Luther Paul.
Education—B. H. Mathews, J. A. Heilig.
Orphanage—J. C. Whitty, S. M. Brinson.
Sunday Schools—D. H. Green, E. C. Andrews.
Aged Ministers—J. E. King, I. N. Henderson.
Temperance—J. W. Green, J. B. Olive.
Periodicals—W. L. Britt, L. L. Leary.
Obituaries—Dr. W. J. Montfort, D. F. Aman.
Associational Missions—J. B. Olive, D. F. Green.
Delinquent Churches—B. H. Mathews, I. N. Henderson.

Roll of Churches and Messengers.

Atlantic, Onslow—Represented by letter.
Atlantic, Carteret—Not represented.
Bayboro—J. W. Green.
Bear Creek—Represented by letter.
Beaufort—Represented by letter.
Capernaum—B. M. Biggs.
Christian Hope—Represented by letter.
Davis Shore—O. F. Davis, Isaiah Davis, Alfred Davis, Filmore Willis.
Enon Chapel—W. J. Montfort, Jr.
Marshallburg—M. R. Nelson.
Morehead City—L. L. Leary, Jordan Willis, W. F. Davis, V. Willis.
New Bern, First Church—J. B. Holland, D. H. Green.
Mount Hermon—Represented by letter.
Piney Grove—Fannie Frazier.
Smyrna—Edward Collins.
Swansboro—J. S. Canady, B. H. Mathews, H. Barber, Bessie Heady.
Truitt—Represented by letter.
Vandemere—Represented by letter.
Woodville—Represented by letter.

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 co-operation 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 with 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 post-office, 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) Associational Missions, (b) State Missions, (c) Home Missions, (d) Foreign Missions, (e) Education, (f) Colportage, (g) Sunday School Missions, (h) Orphanage, (i) Ministerial Relief, (j) Houses of Worship, (k) Minute Fund, (l) 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 until 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 five, 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, co-operate 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 advancement of its objects. The Board shall present to the Association 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 Tuesday morning after first Sunday in November, 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 session 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 last day's 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 "Kerfoot's Parliamentary Law."
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.

Davis Shore Baptist Church, Davis, N. C.,
October 17th to 18th, 1906.

The Atlantic Baptist Association met in its Twenty-third Annual Session with the Davis Shore Baptist church, October 17th to 18th, 1906. Devotional exercises were conducted by D. H. Green.

After enrolling the delegates, permanent organization was effected as follows: J. S. Canady, Moderator; B. H. Mathews, Clerk and Historian; J. W. Green Treasurer.

The Moderator appointed the following committees:

Order of Business—Luther Paul, B. M. Riggs, O. F. Davis.
Digest—J. B. Holland, L. L. Leary, W. J. Montfort, Jr.
Finance—J. W. Green, John H. Davis, D. R. Lewis.

The following committees were appointed to take the place of absentees State Missions, R. D. Cross; Orphanage, W. L. Britt; Sunday Schools, D. H. Green; Aged Ministers, R. D. Cross; Temperance, J. H. Heilig.

The following visiting brethren were welcomed to seats: R. D. Cross, new pastor of Morehead City; J. H. Heilig, principal of Atlantic Institute; W. L. Britt, from the West Chowan Association.

FIRST DAY—EVENING SESSION.

W. G. Hall submitted the report on State Missions, as follows:

THE REPORT ON STATE MISSIONS.

We greatly rejoice in the fruit our State Mission work has borne. If our people could realize the wonderful things accomplished by its work, it is safe to say they would be glad of the opportunity to contribute to the work of the Board. Enlargement has been the watchword of the Board since its work began, and even to-day the call comes for five thousand dollars more than was given last year, and while we have 185,000 white Baptists in the State, it seems that the amount is small (and it is little short of shameful). Therefore, we, the committee, ask that we have a more liberal pledge for the work of State Missions this year. Foreign and Home Missions claim a large place in our hearts, and should have the support of every Baptist of North Carolina. Yet these are founded on State Missions. Interest at home gives us a world-wide view of missions. We are glad to report that the missionaries of the State Board have had wonderful success, not only in pointing the lost soul to the Christ in salvation, but the Baptist cause has been strengthened in the destitute sections of our State, and churches have been completed and dedicated by them to the Lord, to whom shall be all the glory forever. The State Board is the key to the situation, that has and will cause many souls to be opened to the gospel so plainly proclaimed by its missionaries. Brethren, let our prayers ever be for the redemption of our State, and the world for Christ.

Respectfully submitted,
W. G. HALL, for Committee.

W. G. Hall and W. A. Ayers spoke to the report.

The Moderator appointed the following committee on place and preacher: B. H. Mathews, J. B. Olive and R. L. Paul.

J. B. Olive submitted the report on Periodicals, as follows:

REPORT ON PERIODICALS.

Since the printing press has become one of the most powerful agencies of the land in scattering both good and evil over the entire country, it behooves us as a denomination to look well to the kind of literature that goes into homes of Baptists. Therefore be it

Resolved, That the Pastors and deacons of this Association be requested

to do all in their power to place in every home the Biblical Recorder, North Carolina Baptist, Charity and Children, also the Foreign Mission Journal and Home Field and such other literature that is calculated to improve the minds of both old and young morally and spiritually and denominationally.

Respectfully submitted,

J. B. OLIVE.

J. B. Olive, W. A. Ayers and R. D. Cross spoke to the report.

D. H. Green submitted the report on Sunday Schools, as follows:

SUNDAY SCHOOL REPORT.

Our Sunday school report last year stated in its opening sentence, "Progress is our motto in this work." Since that report was made, it has come under my observation that our Sunday school work has not made the progress that the work deserves. Many of the schools have even gone backward. In addition to a well-organized school in each Baptist church, we need more men and women who have the love of souls deeply in their hearts. A Sunday school officer or teacher who fails to love their God with their whole heart, soul and strength falls far short of making a school what it should be, "a soul-saving institution." We cannot but beg that our pastors interest themselves more in this great work of bringing our boys and girls into the church and to educate our church members as to the duty we all owe to our Master and Savior. Our members have not increased. Our Sunday school convention, that should be a great help, cannot do its part unless our people will attend and help by their voices and presence. God will bless us in proportion as we try and do his work. Brethren, let us be up and doing, as the fields are white unto harvest.

D. H. GREEN.

W. L. Britt R. D. Cross, J. S. Canady spoke to the report.

On motion, the Association adjourned. Benediction by W. L. Britt.

NIGHT SESSION—7 P. M.

After singing the Moderator called the session to order. Introductory sermon was preached by W. A. Ayers, of New Bern.

It was ordered by the Association that Atlantic Union and the Onslow County Union unite and form one.

The Woman's Missionary Societies met in the school building at Davis Shore and held a most excellent meeting.

After devotional exercises conducted by Mrs. R. D. Cross, Mrs. Ida Eaton was elected Clerk.

Reports were read from New Bern, Morehead, Davis and Woodville Woman's Missionary Societies. Mrs. C. B. Paul made a good talk on faithfulness in the work.

Mrs. R. D. Cross read an excellent paper on "How to make a Missionary Meeting Interesting".

We hope to have a larger meeting next year at Swansboro, Nov. 5th to 8th, 1907.

By vote of the Association it was ordered that the sermon be published in the Biblical Recorder.

The Moderator appointed the following committees: To nominate Executive Committee, W. A. Ayers, W. J. Montfort, Jr., W. G. Hall. To nominate delegates to the State and Southern Baptist Convention, D. H. Green, L. L. Leary, Hub Barber.

Report on Home Missions was submitted by R. D. Cross as follows:

REPORT ON HOME MISSIONS.

The field of our Home Mission endeavor is the territory of the Southern Baptist Convention and the island of Cuba. Work is being done among the foreigners coming to our shores, among the 10,000,000 negroes of the South, among the 2,000,000 white people of our mountains, in our great cities, along our Western frontier, and in Cuba. In every department there is monumental need and magnificent possibility. Already gracious results are manifest and yet greater things lie before us.

During the last year we had 718 missionaries, and 10,551 baptisms. More than \$145,000 was contributed for this work. But we need to increase our efforts and enlarge our offerings. Let us therefore, make our pledges for Home Missions larger than heretofore and pray the Lord of the harvest to send forth more laborers into the field.

R. D. Cross and W. L. Britt spoke to the report.
J. A. Heilig submitted the report on Temperance as follows:

REPORT ON TEMPERANCE.

The question of Temperance is a very absorbing and vital one. We are glad to note the steady progress Temperance has made in the past few years. We rejoice in such legislation as the Watts and the Ward laws and hail with pleasure the great work being done by our Governor, R. B. Glenn, in the cause of State Prohibition.

We believe that the drink habit is one of the greatest evils with which we have to contend, and we as Baptists pledge ourselves to do all within our power to suppress it, and to bring about prohibition in our commonwealth.

May it please God to give us the victory in conquering intemperance and every evil for His name's sake.

J. A. HEILIG, for Committee.

J. A. Heilig and W. A. Ayers spoke to the report.

The Association by rising vote adopted the following resolution:

Resolved, That we, the Atlantic Association, stand firm against the liquor power.

A collection was taken to remove the debt on the Parsonage at Davis Shore.

Rev. R. D. Cross was appointed as delegate to the Southern Baptist Convention. The following brethren were appointed delegates to the Baptist State Convention: L. L. Leary, J. C. Whitty, E. C. Andrews, D. H. Green, J. S. Canady, J. W. Green. Rev. W. A. Ayers was appointed to represent the Sunday School Board of Missions.

W. A. Ayers submitted the report on Foreign Missions, and delivered a magnificent address which stirred the Association:

REPORT ON FOREIGN MISSIONS.

Our heavenly Father loves a lost world; He gave His Son to die, not for a part, but for the whole of it. He has committed to His people the work of telling those who have never heard of His saving love. Every Church of Christ, and every Christian is under solemn obligation to do everything possible to give the gospel to all men. The hungry hearted heathen need the bread of life. Our Lord, in great love for us and compassion for them, commands us to give them the gospel. How can we expect His blessing, if we disobey?

We are entirely too selfish. We spend too much on ourselves and far too little on the destitute fields of heathenism. Let us not do less for the cause in the homeland but a great deal more for foreign missions. Southern Baptists give, on the average, only a little over seventeen cents a year to this

work. It is a shame. If we really believe in it and would only try, we could easily average a dollar each. Let every church prayerfully try to raise next year at least as many dollars as it has members. Some churches in the Convention raise from two to five dollars per member.

Each church ought to have its own representative on the foreign field. The weakest church can raise \$30, which will pay the salary of a native Bible woman. Other churches can raise \$100, the salary of a native preacher in China. Stronger churches can support one or more missionaries at \$600 a year. What better work could our churches do than to send to the Foreign Mission Board enough money to support one or more of these workers. A number of individuals give enough to support one worker.

The Foreign Mission Board located at Richmond, Va., is a standing committee on mission work appointed each year by the Southern Baptist Convention. It does the work under the direction of the Convention and on the most economical basis. No member of the Board and no one connected with it gets a salary except those who give their whole time to the work, just as a pastor who gives his whole time to his church. The Treasurer gives only part of his time and receives pay for only the time he gives. The entire expense of managing the work in Richmond is about six cents on the dollar. Some of the State Boards make a small charge for collecting funds, but out of every dollar given to the work, ninety cents goes directly to the missionaries on the field.

The Board has now under appointment about 490 workers—190 missionaries and 300 native workers. These reported 2,446 converts baptized last year. The missionaries are very hopeful and enthusiastic. Great changes are taking place in foreign lands and our workers believe that soon multitudes will turn unto the Lord. Glorious revivals are reported on some fields. The churches contributed \$324,000 last year. Southern Baptists ought to give a half million dollars this year. Every dollar of it and more could be used to good purpose. The missionaries on all the fields are begging for reinforcements. They are overworked and need help. Many well trained young people want to go. New church buildings and better homes, for the missionaries are a necessity in many places, theological schools are sorely needed for training the preachers who have been converted and called of God to preach to their own people in these foreign lands. Let us pray and work and give that these needs may be supplied.

The Board publishes the Foreign Mission Journal, an excellent missionary monthly, which gives full information about the work, at the low rate of 35 cents a year, or 25 cents in clubs of ten or more. All our people ought to take and read it. The best tracts on missions and envelopes for taking collections are furnished free to any one who will use them. Let all our churches seek to inform themselves and rally around this great work for which our Savior died and to which He has called His people.

W. A. AYERS, for Committee.

At eleven o'clock W. L. Britt preached a splendid sermon to the Association.

L. L. Leary submitted the report on digest of the church letters of the Association.

DIGEST OF LETTERS.

CHURCHES.	Pastor's Salary.	Incidental Expenses.	Sunday School Expenses.	The Poor.	State Missions.	Home Missions.	Foreign Missions.	Orphans.	Old Ministers.	Education.	Minutes.	Other Objects.	Building and Repairs.	Total.
Atlantic.	\$ 30 00	\$ 1 00	\$ 1 00	\$ 10 00	\$ 6 00	\$ 1 00	\$ 3 00	\$ 2 00	\$ 2 00	\$ 1 00	\$ 1 00	\$ 12 00	\$ 4 80	\$ 72 00
Bayboro.	100 00	5 00	12 00	10 00	2 25	3 00	4 00	1 00	1 00	5 00	50			141 75
Bear Creek.			75 00	15 00	5 00	1 00	1 00	5 00	1 00		75			115 00
Beaufort.	50 00	12 00	1 00	5 00	2 50	1 00	1 00	2 00	1 00	1 00				84 55
Capernam.	18 00	1 00	6 96	1 00	37 65	28 69	18 56	8 00	2 00	1 00	2 50	1000 00		1325 14
Christian Hope.	200 00	5 65			15 00	5 00	5 00	10 00	2 00	5 00	2 00	38 00		248 62
Davis' Shore.	154 62				6 00	2 00	2 00	3 00	1 50	3 00	1 20	2 00		149 63
Enon Chapel.	50 00		32 88	3 25	6 00	2 00	2 00	3 00	2 00	316 87	3 00	85 00		1948 19
Marshallberg.	800 40	153 45	66 12	50 00	107 40	40 40	41 19	103 21	2 00	316 87	3 00	85 00		1948 19
Morehead City.	1200 00	404 88	65 13	88 38	222 41	199 41	159 15	239 54	1 00	1 18	5 00	180 07		6194 96
New Berne.	100 00				13 00	2 00	1 00	2 00	1 00	1 00		2 00		924 22
Oriental.	80 00	8 00	10 23		10 00	5 00	5 00	2 00	2 00	4 00	1 50			122 75
Smyrna.														
Spring Hill.	125 00	28 35	58 00	16 00	20 00	5 00	5 00	10 00	3 00	1 00	2 00	5 00	250 00	453 35
Swansboro.	20 00	5 00	1 00	3 00	5 00	1 00	1 00	2 00	1 00	1 00	50	1 00		41 50
Truit.	23 00		10 00		5 00	1 00	1 50							41 00
Vandemere.														
Woodville.	75 80		7 00		5 00	2 00	3 00	2 00	2 00	1 00	1 00	16 50		105 50
Piney Grove.	7 80		1 00	5 00	1 50	1 50		1 50					45 00	62 20
Mt. Hermon.														
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THURSDAY—EVENING SESSION.

After the devotional exercises, conducted by D. H. Green, B. H. Matthews submitted the report on Education as follows:

REPORT ON EDUCATION.

Missionary Baptists believe in Education. It fills every Baptist heart with joy to note the great awakening in every section of the State in Education. If any denomination can afford to plead for better educated people it is the Baptist, for it is under the light that our cause prospers. When the districts, now remote and darkened by ignorance, shall have been educated so that they may appreciate the things of this life, then you will hear good things from our State Mission fields.

We need more intelligence in our religion in the Atlantic Association. In this Association we have our Atlantic Institute; in North Carolina, we have Wake Forest College and the Baptist University for Women. We owe them a debt of prayer and patronage. Let us work and pray for the early days when every corner of our State shall be educated, for it is on this plane that our denomination can do its best work.

B. H. MATTHEWS,
For Committee.

B. H. Matthews, J. A. Heilig, B. D. Cross, L. L. Leary spoke to the report.

D. H. Green submitted the report of the Executive Committee as follows:

REPORT OF EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE.

It would be exceedingly gratifying if marked progress could be reported in this destitute section, but candor compels this expression of regret that so little can be reported as this year's gain amid the vast destitution, which appeals so strongly to our vaunted Missionary Spirit. Our Association has suffered largely because our efforts have been more or less spasmodic and the stay of our missionaries in their respective fields—for the most part—too transitory. If we could advisedly locate our men and keep them where stationed, there can be no doubt that we, as a denomination, would see decided advance made and much of the territory, originally ours, regained.

To this end, larger salaries, if possible, should be secured for them, so that they can labor zealously and continuously, unhampered by the uncertainty of their support.

Missionaries will be present and personally discuss with you the work of the year, needs of their various fields—all looking to a year of wonderful growth and expansion ahead.

Respectfully,
S. M. BRINSON,
For Committee.

W. L. Britt submitted the report on the Orphanage as follows:

REPORT ON BAPTIST ORPHANAGE.

If there is one thing that can open the heart and purse of the stingy man, it is the little child bereaved and destitute. If there is anything that can make the liberal man glad in bestowing his gifts, it is to know that his gift has been so spent that it has hushed the sobs and sighs, appeased the hunger, and sheltered and pillowed the head of the orphan child. If there is a sight that could cause angels to hush their music and peer down to earth, wishing to take part in the transaction, it must be the sight of the Christian people of our land, searching for and finding the bereaved little ones of

unfortunate circumstances, and placing them in institutions where they can be cared for, educated, and made capable of serving their God better than they otherwise could have done. And if there is one thing—one institution—in North Carolina in which every Baptist ought to be interested and to which every Baptist ought to contribute, it is the Baptist Orphanage at Thomasville. This has been called the most beautiful charity in North Carolina. It is more than that. It is living mothers, fathers, brothers and sisters, gladly ministering to little children after the hands that would have ministered to them are mouldering away to dust.

Conceived and born in the heart of the colossal Jack Mills; brought into corporate being amidst the opposition of some of the leaders of the Baptist host, it has fought its way into favor, so that to-day for one to be out of harmony with the Orphanage work, is to argue himself out of agreement with all that goes to make the human heart better and life the more worth living. We are glad to say that this institution is enshrined in the hearts of our people to such an extent, that the managers need never fear that any child therein shall ever suffer for the necessary things of life.

And now in closing this report will you allow the stranger to make some suggestions?

1. Let every church in the Association observe Thanksgiving Day and take a collection for the Orphanage. This collection will be applied on the debt.

2. Let every Sunday school take one collection each month for the Orphanage. This is for current support. Thus shall we develop our children in the grace of giving and their hearts shall be glad as they are made to know that they have helped to make some other child happy.

Respectfully submitted,

W. L. BRITT,

For Committee.

W. L. Britt, R. D. Cross, D. H. Green spoke to the report.

On motion, the Constitution was amended as follows: Strike out October and insert in its place November; Tuesday after the first Sunday in November as the time of meeting.

B. H. Matthews submitted the report on Place and Preacher for the next Association as follows: Place—Swansboro, N. C., and Rev. R. D. Cross to preach the Introductory sermon.

B. H. Matthews submitted the Historian's report as follows:

REPORT OF HISTORIAN.

The twenty-third Annual Session of the Atlantic Association met with Davis Shore Church, Oct. 17-19, 1906. Davis Shore was first inhabited by a family named Davis from Wales. The first preacher that visited Davis Shore was a man named Gornto from New River in 1836. In 1840 Geo. W. Wallace held a glorious meeting in Kilby Styron's house, the result of which twenty-five were baptized. From 1844 to 1867 there was no church organization on Davis Shore. The people held their membership at Smyrna, and for 23 years they worshipped in private houses on Davis Shore.

In 1867 Jacob Utley and T. J. Leary organized the first Missionary Baptist Church. Those pioneer workers have passed over the river but their work speaks out in our midst to-day. Our work has moved along nicely in the Atlantic during the year 1906. We have had some glorious revivals and sinners have turned to the Lord. Ninety-seven have been added by baptism. Our contributions have been increased. The Lord is blessing His people all along the line.

B. H. MATTHEWS.

D. H. Green submitted the following resolution:

In all the years of the life of this Association we do not hesitate to say, that never has the spirit of Christian brotherly love been so plainly evidenced

as has been the case in this meeting of 1906, and we venture to assert that never have the members of any Association been more royally entertained, nor has such loyal fellowship been exhibited by any body of believers, than has been shown by the loving Christian people of Davis Shore. And therefore, be it

Resolved, That the heartfelt thanks of the members of the Atlantic Association are tendered to the people of Davis Shore. First, for their kindness in entertaining our members and providing for their bodily comfort.

Second, for the evidence of Christian fellowship as has been evidenced during our sojourn in their midst. And we pray God's choicest blessings to rest upon them.

So closed one of the most profitable and best Associations that we have ever had within our bounds. The Twenty-third Annual Session of the Atlantic Association goes into history.

J. S. CANADY,

Moderator.

B. H. MATTHEWS,
Clerk.

TABLE OF PLEDGES.

CHURCHES.	State Missions.	Home Missions.	Foreign Missions.	Orphanage	Sunday School.	Ministerial Relief.	Education.
Atlantic	\$ 6 00	\$ 2 00	\$ 3 00	\$ 2 00	\$ 1 00	\$ 2 00	\$ 1 00
Bayboro	15 00	3 00	5 00	6 00	3 00	1 00	1 50
Bear Creek.....	6 00	1 00	1 00	1 00	1 00	1 50	1 50
Beaufort.....	15 00	5 00	5 00	15 00	5 00	1 50	1 50
Capernaum.....	5 00	1 00	2 00	2 00	1 00	1 00	1 00
Christian Hope	3 00	1 00	50	1 00	1 00	2 00	1 00
Davis' Shore	35 00	8 00	7 00	9 00	2 00	3 00	1 00
Enon Chapel.....	25 00	5 00	5 00	10 00	1 00	2 00	1 00
Marshallberg.....	6 00	2 00	2 00	3 00	1 00	1 50	1 00
Morehead City.....	110 00	40 00	25 00	100 00	15 00	6 00	15 00
New Berne.....	200 00	60 00	100 00	200 00	25 00	25 00	15 00
Oriental	10 00	4 00	4 00	2 00	1 00	1 00	1 00
Smyrna	12 00	5 00	5 00	4 00	2 00	2 00	1 00
Spring Hill.....	3 00	1 00	2 00	2 00	1 00	1 00	1 00
Swansboro.....	20 00	5 00	10 00	10 00	2 00	3 00	1 00
Truitt.....	5 00	1 00	2 00	2 00	1 00	1 00
Vandemere.....	10 00	1 00	2 50	3 00	1 00	2 00	1 00
Woodville.....	5 00	1 00	1 00	1 00	1 00	1 00	1 00
Piney Grove	5 00	2 00	3 00	2 00	2 00	1 00
Mt. Hermon.....	5 00	1 00	1 00	1 00	1 00	1 00	1 00

J. B. Olive \$2.50, D. H. Green \$5.00 for Sunday Schools.

TABLE OF CHURCH STATISTICS.

CHURCHES.	COUNTY.	PASTOR.	Pastor's Salary.	Sabbath of Preaching.	Baptisms.	Received by Letter.	Restored.	Died.	Males.	Females.	Total.
Atlantic	Onslow	E. C. Andrews.	\$ 30 00	2	14	1	2	1	7	27	84
Bayboro	Pamlico	J. A. Heilig.	100 00	2	1	1	1	1	11	27	38
Bear Creek	Onslow	W. H. Whitehead				1			19	27	46
Beaufort	Carteret	I. N. Henderson.	50 00	4					31	62	93
Capernaum	Onslow	J. B. Olive.	18 00	2	4	1	1	1	20	30	50
Christian Hope	Onslow	W. G. Hall.	200 00	2	1	1			8	24	32
Davis' Shore	Carteret	E. C. Andrews.	154 62	1	1	1			52	56	108
Enon Chapel	Onslow	W. G. Hall.	50 00	4	1	1	1	1	75	85	160
Marshallberg	Carteret	R. D. Cross.	840 00	1-2-3-4	11	9	1	3	70	131	201
Morehead City	Carteret	W. A. Ayers	1200 00	1-2-3-4	18	18	10	2	117	179	296
New Berne.	Craven	J. A. Heilig.	100 00	1	2	2			6	12	18
Oriental	Pamlico	W. G. Hall.	80 00	1	2	1			13	35	48
Smyrna.	Carteret	J. B. Olive.	11 70	3	2	1			11	9	20
Spring Hill	Onslow	E. C. Andrews.	125 00	4	6	4	9	1	82	59	141
Swansboro	Craven	J. A. Heilig.	20 00	3					13	13	26
Truitt	Pamlico	J. A. Heilig.	23 50	4					11	13	24
Vandemere	Carteret.	N. F. Whitehead.									
Woodville.	Onslow	E. C. Andrews.	75 00	4	9	2			37	33	70
Piney Grove.	Onslow	J. B. Olive.	7 80	1	2				3	10	13
Mt. Hermon.	Onslow										
Total			3085 62		93	40	23	8	594	849	1465

TABLE 4—SUNDAY SCHOOL STATISTICS.

CHURCHES.	SUPERINTENDENTS.	SECRETARY.	Officers and Teachers.	Scholars.	Total.	Papers taken.	Average Attendance.	Baptisms
Atlantic	E. I. Provow	Effie Simpson.	7	54	61	61	34	14
Bayboro.	J. N. Green.	Rubie Willis.	5	40	45	35	25	
Bear Creek	L. W. Davis.	Charles Davis.	11	106	116	50	50	
Beaufort.								
Capernaum								
Christian Hope	W. L. Paul	Charlotte I. Willis	13	65	78	35	50	1
Davis' Shore								
Enon Chapel	D. R. Lewis	J. T. Hill.	8	75	83	60	68	1
Marshallberg	L. L. Leary	John T. Willis.	14	214	228	240	138	5
Morehead City	D. H. Green	W. B. Smith	15	150	165	257	118	12
New Berne.	Isaiah Davis.	Pauline C. Davis.	10	34	44	55	20	2
Oriental.								
Smyrna.								
Spring Hill.	M. W. Heady	Edwin Foster.	11	125	136	512	80	4
Swansboro								
Truitt	U. C. Holton.	Callie Porter	4	30	34	35	35	
Vandemere.								
Woodville.	G. G. Hattell	Frank Holland.	5	25	30	35	20	6
Piney Grove.	W. L. Ramsey	G. T. Ramsey.	4	12	16	27	8	
Mt. Hermon								
Total			107	990	1036			45

WOMAN'S MISSIONARY SOCIETIES.

SOCIETY.	RESIDENT.	SECRETARY.
Morehead City	Mrs. W. T. Jones	Mrs. Ida Lee Eaton
Swansboro	Mrs. F. Foster	Mrs. A. R. Foster
Davis' Shore	Miss Bettie Paul	Mrs. Charlotte Willis
New Berne	Mrs. — Wood	Mrs. R. P. Montague
Swansboro Y. L.	Mrs. Mary Andrew	Miss Pearl Ward
Marshallberg	Mrs. Helena Harris	Miss Susie Huggins
Beaufort	Mrs. W. H. Whitehead	Miss Blanche Miller
Bayboro	Mrs. John Coward	Mrs. J. B. Jones
Woodville	Miss Etta Gillikin	Miss Nannie Gillikin
Piney Grove	Mrs. Mary Stanley	Miss Alice Stanley
New Berne Y. L.	Miss Kate Whitty	
SUNB MS.		
Swansboro	Mrs. Rosa Montfort	Miss Georgia Bartley
New Berne—First Church	Miss Hattie Moring	Mrs. W. J. Lucers
Davis' Shore	Miss Robena Davis	Miss Bettie W. Paul
Smyrna	Mrs. Irene Simpson	Mrs. Blanche Willis
Bayboro	Mrs. J. F. Cowell	Miss Ruby Miller
Beaufort	Mrs. J. B. Jones, Jr., Beaufort	
Morehead City	Miss Capitola Wade	Miss Bettie Davis
Piney Grove	Miss Carrie Meadows	Miss A. Bell

WOMAN'S MISSIONARY SOCIETIES AND SUNBEAMS—STATISTICS.

New Berne—State Missions, \$22.64; Home Missions, \$30.30; Foreign Missions, \$23.55; Margaret Home, \$3.00; Tichenor Memorial, \$3.91. MOREHEAD CITY—State Missions, \$4.65; Home Missions, \$8.00; Foreign Missions, \$7.50; Margaret Home, \$2.00. DAVIS' SHORE—State Missions, \$10.27; Home Missions, \$22.86; Foreign Missions, \$9.53; Margaret Home, 63 cents. WOODVILLE—State Missions, \$1.00; Home Missions, 50 cents; Foreign Missions, 50 cents. ATLANTIC INSTITUTE, \$2.00. SUNBEAMS. NEW BERNE—Foreign Missions, \$12.50. DAVIS' SHORE—State Missions, \$2.38; Home Missions, \$2.83; Foreign Missions, \$2.03; Tichenor Memorial, \$9.00.