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OF THE
Thirty-third Annual Session
OF THE
Brushy Mountain
Baptist Association

HELD WITH THE
HARMONY BAPTIST CHURCH
Wilkes County, N. C.

August 23, 24, 25, and 26, 1906

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CONSTITUTION.

1st. This Association shall be known as the Brushy Mountain Baptist Association, and shall be composed of delegates chosen by the churches, each church being entitled to three delegates, and all regular ordained ministers as members ex-officio.

2nd. The object of this Association shall be the promotion of God's kindgom in the hearts of men.

3rd. The delegates thus selected should bear from each respective church a letter certifying their appointment, and communicating information relative to the state of the church and interest thereof.

4th. The Association just formed shall choose by ballot a Moderator, Clerk and Treasurer who shall continue in office for one year, and until others are chosen. The last two offices may be held by the same individual.

5th. It shall be the duty of the Moderator to preside at meetings of business; to keep order during each session; to decide questions of order, subject to an appeal of the house by any member; and to perform all other duties pertaining to his office.

6th. It shall be the duty of the Clerk to keep a faithful and correct record of all the proceedings of each session of the Association; to keep a printed copy of the minutes of each session of the Association, and every ten years have them bound for the use of this body; and to perform other duty assigned to him by the Association.

7th. It shall be the duty of the Treasurer to keep a correct record of all the funds coming into his hands and to report the same at the order of the Association.

8th. There shall be a Committee of Arrangements consisting of five members, besides the Moderator and Clerk.

9th. All letters of grievances or queries, together with all letters from corresponding Associations requiring any attention thereon, shall be submitted to the Committee of Arrangements, and reported back to the Association.

10th. This body shall have no coercive power to exercise lordship over God's heritage, but shall only be considered an advisory council in all matters respecting the internal regulations of the churches.

11th. When an offense may have been committed by one church against another, or where a series of difficulties may have arisen in an individual church, it shall be the duty of the Association (after due labors have been had between the offending and offended churches, or an individual church, as the case may be) to take the matter into consideration and advise upon it.

12th. The Association shall not maintain permanant fellowship towards any of her churches which neglect to institute and preserve gospel order among their members, nor any of the churches and ministers that treat her constitution with contempt; but shall sustain with all her influence such as promote gospel principle and order.

13th. It shall be the province of this Association to invite

visiting and corresponding brethren to seats, who shall be entitled to speak on any point under discussion, but not to vote.

14th. The Association shall in all cases, (except in matters pertaining to the constitution), be governed by a majority of the members present, and shall not adjourn until they have gone through the business of the Association, except in extraordinary cases.

15th. Each church having an ordained or a licensed minister shall report the same to the Association, in order that they may appear on the face of the minutes.

16th. The Association shall furnish the churches with the minutes of her proceedings; and it shall be the duty of the churches to enable her to do so.

17th. The Association shall have a fund, created and sustained by voluntary contribution from the churches, which shall be held by the Treasurer and subject to the disposition of a majority of the Association present at any annual session.

18th. The Association shall hold an annual session at such time and place as the body may from time to time designate.

19th. By appointment of the Association, there may be an Introductory, a Missionary and a Denominational Sermon preached at each annual session.

20th. This Constitution may be altered or amended at any time, two-thirds of the members present concurring.

BY-LAWS.

1st. At each assembling of the Association, for the transaction of business, the Moderator shall invite members to order; then the Association shall be opened by praise and prayer.

2d. When the Moderator takes his chair, each member shall take his seat, and the minutes of the preceeding day shall be read.

3d. The Moderator may speak to points of order, in preference to other members, arising from his seat for that purpose; and on points of order, no member shall speak more than once without leave of the house.

4th. He shall rise to put a question, but may state it sitting.

5th. All committees shall be appointed by the Moderator, unless otherwise ordered by the body.

6th. He shall have a general direction of the house; he shall have a right to name any member to perform the duties of the chair.

7th. When any member is about to speak in debate or deliver any matter to the Association he shall rise from his seat and respectfully address the Moderator, and confine himself to the question under debate, and avoid personality. And when two or more rise at the same time the Moderator is to name who is to speak first. No member shall speak

oftener than twice on the same question, without leave of the Association.

8th. While the Moderator is putting any question or addressing the Association no person shall speak, stand up, walk out, or across the house; nor when a member is speaking, entertain private discourse, stand up or pass between him and the chair.

9th. After a motion is stated by the Moderator or read by the Clerk, it shall be deemed to be in possession of the Association, but may be withdrawn before a decision or amendment.

10th. All papers addressed to the Association shall be presented by the Moderator.

11th. No member shall absent himself from the Association without leave.

12th. If any member, in speaking or otherwise, transgress the rules of the Association, the Moderator shall, or any member may, call him to order; in which case the member so called to order, shall sit down.

13th. In all elections, the Moderator may vote; in other cases he shall not vote, unless the Association be equally divided.

14th. These Rules of Decorum may be altered or amended by a majority concurring.

ABSTRACT OF PRINCIPLES.

1st. We believe in one only true and living God, and that there are three persons in the Godhead—the Father, the Son and the Holy Ghost, and these three are one.

2d. We believe that the old and new Testaments are the word of God and the only rule of Faith and Practice.

3d. We believe in the impotency of man to deliver himself from his present fallen state.

4th. We believe that Salvation is by Grace through faith in our Lord Jesus Christ.

5th. We believe the Baptism and the Lord's Supper are ordinances instituted by Jesus Christ and should be practiced by all true believers.

6th. We believe that Baptism is immersion of a believer in water by a qualified administrator, and that only persons thus baptised should take the Lord's Supper.

7th. We believe in the final perseverance of the Saints in Grace to Glory.

8th. We believe in the resurrection of the dead and a General Judgment.

9th. We believe that the happiness of the Righteous and the punishment of the Wicked will both be Eternal.

MINUTES OF THE BRUSHY MOUNTAIN ASSOCIATION

THIRTY-THIRD ANNUAL SESSION

North, Wilkesboro, N. C., Aug. 23, 1906.

The Brushy Mountain Association met in its thirty-third annual session in the meeting house of the Harmony Baptist Church, at 12:30 p. m., Thursday, Aug. 23, 1906.

In the absence of M. McNeil, who was appointed to preach the annual sermon, it was preached by Rev. W. F. Staley of North Wilkesboro, N. C., Text, Zech. 4:8. Theme, The Function of the Holy Spirit during this age.

C. C. Wright, Moderator of the previous Association, then assumed the chair and called the body to order.

The roll of churches was called and the following were represented by delegates with letters: Cub Creek, Edgewood, Harmony, Moravian Falls, Mt. Carmel, Mt. Zion, New Hope, North Wilkesboro, Pleasant Grove, Pilgrim, Shady Grove, South Fork, Stony Hill, Walnut Grove, Wilkesboro, and Zion Hill, and the letters were read by W. F. Staley and W. H. Church, and delegates enrolled. (For enrollment of delegates see table of General Information.)

On motion of W. C. Meadows the Association dispensed with the regular order of electing the officers by ballot, and C. C. Wright was elected Moderator, and W. H. Church Clerk, by acclamation.

An invitation was extended to visiting brethren, and S. F. Conrad representative of the North Carolina Baptist, J. S. Farmer of the Biblical Recorder, and Gilson Walker of Stone Mountain Association, presented themselves and were welcomed to a seat in the body.

The Moderator announced the following committees:

Devotional Exercises—The delegates and Pastor of Harmony Church.

Temperance—S. F. Conrad, J. D. Smith, and A. A. Leach.

Orphanage—F. Holman, W. A. Brown, and W. C. Meadows.

State Mission—H. J. Steelman, J. S. Davis and W. Stroud.

Periodicals—J. S. Farmer, J. A. Foster, and G. W. Walsh.

Foreign Missions—A. T. Pardew, A. S. Eller and Isaac Broyhill.

Ministerial Relief—H. H. Jones, W. A. Barnet and W. Z. Hester.

Home Missions—Lawrence Carlton, A. T. Pardew, and J. C. Ellmore.

Education—W. F. Staley, Tom Hays and J. E. Bentley.

Executive Board—A. T. Pardew, W. C. Meadows, W. F. Staley, M. McNeil, and W. F. Carlton.

State of the Churches—E. M. Parlier, Geo. White, and J. D. Smith.

Time, Place, and Preacher—E. F. Stafford, J. L. Pardew, and S. G. Stout.

Sunday Schools—A. T. Pardew, M. McNeil, and M. L. Kesler.

Obituaries—W. C. Meadows, and J. L. Watts.

The committee on devotional exercises made the following report:

Morning exercises at 9:30 to be conducted by W. C. Meadows, and sermon at 11 by S. F. Conrad.

Adjourned, benediction by W. C. Meadows.

SECOND DAY—MORNING.

Aug. 24, 1906.

The Association reassembled at the hour appointed, and devotional exercises were conducted by W. C. Meadows.

The report on Temperance was presented by S. F. Conrad, as follows:

TEMPERANCE.

took charge and preached from Cor. 3:8; Theme—The Reward of Christians.

Adjourned. Benediction by S. F. Conrad.

SECOND DAY—AFTERNOON SESSION.

The Association was called to order by the Moderator and prayer was offered by A. T. Pardew.

Delegates that had arrived since the Association convened were asked to hand in their letters, whereupon the delegates from Pleasant Home did so and the delegates were enrolled.

Rev. L. Johnson, Secretary of the Baptist State Convention, Asa Brown of Three Fork Association, Grant Corthan, and H. V. Hix of the Stone Mountain Association, were recognized and welcomed to a seat in the body.

On motion of W. C. Meadows, the report of the Orphanage was postponed until morning, awaiting the arrival of M. L. Kesler.

The Committee on Obituaries reported, that they did not know of any minister that had passed away since our last meeting.

The report was discussed by S. F. Conrad, W. F. Staley and W. C. Meadows, after which it was adopted.

Church letters were asked for and the delegates from South Fork presented theirs, which were read and the delegates enrolled.

The record of yesterday's proceedings was read and approved.

The report on Periodicals was read by J. S. Farmer, as follows:

REPORT ON PERIODICALS.

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The committee on devotional exercises made the following report:

Morning exercises at 9:30 to be conducted by W. C. Meadows. The *Foreign Mission Journal* of Richmond, Va., is the organ of our Foreign Mission Board, and only costs twenty-five cents per year in clubs of ten or more. The same person can represent both of these papers in any church.

Then we recommend the Literature of the Sunday-school Board at Nashville, Tenn. These are our own enterprises, worthy of our best support and we should stand by them.

Respectfully submitted,

J. S. FARMER,
G. W. WALSH,
J. A. FOSTER,

Committee.

The report was discussed by J. S. Farmer, S. F. Conrad, W. F. Staley, W. C. Meadows, and C. C. Wright after which it was adopted.

The hour having arrived for preaching S. F. Conrad took charge and preached from Cor. 3:8; Theme—The Reward of Christians.

Adjourned. Benediction by S. F. Conrad.

SECOND DAY—AFTERNOON SESSION.

The Association was called to order by the Moderator and prayer was offered by A. T. Pardew.

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The Committee on Obituaries reported, that they did not know of any minister that had passed away since our last meeting.

On motion of S. G. Stout, Home Missions were taken up and the report was read by A. T. Pardew.

REPORT OF HOME MISSIONS.

Home Missions as applied to the work of Evangelizing our own country, under the auspices of the Home Board of Atlanta, Georgia, presents a work that should appeal to every Baptist in the Association, as well as elsewhere.

The great work done in our State in aiding our Mountain Schools should make us peculiarly grateful. Besides but for the efforts of this Board in the past, many, now strong points, in our State would be struggling for existence or unheard of. One million dollars could be used by the Board profitably with glorious results.

The new work recently undertaken by the Board promises much for the future of our destitute fields, especially in our large cities, where the influx of immigration is greatest.

We pray that our people may arise to their privilege and meet the opportunity of extending this great work.

We had on the field in 1905, 718 Missionaries; 88,016 sermons and addresses; 10,551 baptisms; 10,019 additions by letter—total additions 20,570. For this year, 1906, we have 838 missionaries; 102,339 sermons and addresses, 12,630 baptisms; 12,178 additions by letter—total additions 24,808. Increase since 1905, missionaries 120; sermons 14,323; baptisms 2,179; additions by letter 2,159—total 4,238.

Respectfully submitted,

GEO. WHITE,
A. T. PARDEW,
LAWRENCE CARLTON,
J. C. ELMORE,

Committee.

The report was discussed by A. T. Pardew, J. S. Farmer, and W. C. Meadows, after which the report was adopted, and pledges taken amounting to \$53.00.

The report of State Missions was presented by H. J. Steelman, as follows:

REPORT ON STATE MISSIONS.

The work of giving the gospel to the destitute in North Carolina, establishing churches, organizing Sunday Schools, aiding weak churches, and promoting Christian benevolence among our people, is the work of the State Mission Board. We believe that God will bless our labors in this work. Eternity only will reveal to us the result of our work done in North Carolina. We believe that we could do no greater work than to support our Missionaries in this great mission work. The great work of christianizing our State belongs to us as Baptist.

We pray God to send more laborers into the field that His Kingdom may be set up in the hearts of our people. We recommend that every church in this Association make a liberal offering to the great work.

H. J. STEELMAN,
J. S. DAVIS,
W. S. STROUD,

Committee.

The report was discussed by L. Johnson, Corresponding Secretary of the Baptist State Convention, and W. C. Meadows, after which it was adopted, and pledges taken amounting to \$181.50.

The Committee on Devotional Exercise reported, Brother Asa Brown to conduct the morning exercise at 9:30, and M. L. Kesler to preach at 11.

Adjourned; benediction by L. Johnson.

THIRD DAY—MORNING SESSION.

The Association met at 9:45 a. m. and the devotional exercise was conducted by Rev. Asa Brown.

The record of yesterday's proceedings was read and adopted.

The following visitors were recognized and welcomed, Rev. M. L. Kesler of the Orphanage, Rev. D. W. Pool of the Alexander Association, and Rev. T. E. Readmon of the Brier Creek Association.

The report on education was read by W. F. Staley.

REPORT ON EDUCATION.

"Education is either from nature, from man, or from things: The developing of our faculties and organs is the Education of nature; that of man is the application we learn to make of this very developing, and that of things is the experience we acquire in regard to the different objects by which we are affected. All that we have not at our birth and that we stand in need of at the years of maturity is the Gift of Education."—Rousseau. We are living in an Educational age; never before in the history of our race has there been greater emphasis laid on the value of Education, than at the present time. Our schools are crowded each session and the call to-day is for Educated men and women. Therefore we realize that Education is an indispensable factor in the development of men and women in any station of life. What sculpture is to a block of marble, Education is to the Human soul. It evokes our latent powers, and lifts from obscurity to prominence and usefulness. It sharpens our mental powers, so we are enabled to serve God, and humanity better. We regard illiteracy as a misfortune. Some states have compulsory law which has proved to be a great blessing. If boys and girls abuse their opportunities to acquire an Education it becomes a crime. We further recognize that the State is inadequate to impart Christian Education, consequently as Baptist there is a special work for us to do. When we patronize our Institutions of learning a twofold benefit is derived, first, Mental Training, second, Heart Culture. The Christian atmosphere in our schools is conclusive to developing strong Characters. Each year finds over three hundred young men and women in our College and University, and between sixty and

seventy-five Ministerial students in Wake Forest College. For a preparatory school we recommend Mars Hill College. For Collegiate course Wake Forest College, and for women the Seminary at Oxford, and the Baptist Female University. For Ministerial students the Southern Baptist Theological Seminary. We earnestly urge that our people will seek to patronize our own institutions of learning, which will strengthen the work of the denomination.

Respectfully submitted,

W. F. STALEY,
TOM HAYS,
J. E. BENTLEY,
Committee.

The report was discussed by W. F. Staley, after which it was adopted, and placed on our minutes as an object worthy of our help, and pledges were taken amounting to \$16.00.

The report on the Orphanage was read by S. F. Conrad.

REPORT ON THE ORPHANAGE.

The condition of our Orphanage at Thomasville is gratifying to a high degree. The past year has been one of unusual prosperity. We have cared for three hundred and thirteen children and paid about \$6,000.00 of the indebtedness incurred in establishing a system of water works. The general health of the children has been most excellent. The grounds have been greatly beautified and improved. Several new buildings have been completed and some of the old ones have been torn down and the material used in the construction of others. The demand upon us was never more pressing than now, and some important improvements will be made at once. The dining room will be enlarged, the Aydlett building will be erected and a new Infirmary will be erected as soon as the money can be had to build it. Just this week the Liberty Association assumed the responsibility of building a new Tabernacle for the annual meetings which will hold between three and five thousand people. Also a new stand pipe and reservoir will be erected to hold about fifty thousand gallons. Two new barns have been built, and other general improvements will be made as they are demanded. Our General Manager has given acceptance to our people and all together the Orphanage was never in a more hopeful condition than now. It cost just six dollars per day to run it, yet the steady stream of contributions coming in from our churches have met this great demand. We urge that our people increase their pledges as it is desired that the remaining indebtedness of five thousand dollars be wiped out before the next general annual meeting.

F. G. HOLMAN,
W. C. MEADOWS,
W. A. BROWN,
Committee

The report was discussed by M. L. Kesler of the Orphanage, W. C. Meadows, W. F. Staley and M. McNeil, after which a hat collection was taken for the Orphanage, amounting to \$7.61 and the pledges amounting to \$215.00, and the report was adopted.

Adjourned. Prayer by M. L. Kesler.

EVENING SESSION.

The Association was called to order by the Moderator and prayer was offered by D. W. Pool.

Letters from Lewis Fork and Mt. Pleasant churches were read and the delegates enrolled.

On motion of W. C. Meadows, Foreign Missions were taken up, and the report was read by A. T. Pardeu for the Committee:

REPORT ON FOREIGN MISSIONS.

What are these among so many? The hungry multitudes sit in the shadow of death waiting for the bread of life. Three or four hundred men from our whole Nation gone out to save a lost world are only enough to sow the Gospel seed at most. What shall the harvest be? They that sow in tears shall reap in joy. Let us pray for all Saints and preach in all the world as the test of our love for Christ. Jesus says that all power in Heaven and in Earth is given unto me. Go ye therefore and teach all nations. Teaching them to observe all things whatsoever I have commanded you. Peter opened his mouth and said, of a truth I perceive that God is no respecter of persons, but in every nation, he that feareth God and worketh righteousness is accepted with him. Paul said to the heathen God commandeth all men, everywhere, to repent. Our success in Foreign Missions must depend upon the observing all things commanded. Our duty at home is to pray the Lord of the harvest to send forth laborers into the harvest, observing the New Testament doctrines in finding the men and the means. Our Lord sent about eighty men through Palestine. Peter's preaching among one hundred and twenty believers won three thousand converts in one day. Barnabas and Saul recognized their call to the Foreign fields from the Holy Ghost, through the church at Antioch. We have forgotten that the Lord's call to the men means a call to the churches, for prayer, means and work, as directed by the New Testament.

A. T. PARDEW,
A. S. ELLER,
ISAAC BROYHILL,
Committee.

After reading of the report Brother A. T. Pardew asked L. Johnson to lead in prayer, after which the report was discussed by A. T. Pardew, W. F. Staley, L. Johnson, D. W. Pool, C. C. Wright, W. C. Meadows and M. L. Kesler. Pledges were then taken amounting to \$118.00 to the Board, and \$60.00 to Blylock, after which the report was adopted.

The following letter from the Women's Missionary Society of North Wilkesboro church, was read by W. F. Staley:

TO THE WOMEN OF THE BRUSHY MOUNTAIN ASSOCIATION:

Having never written to you of our work in the Women's Missionary Society, we thought we would write and give you an idea of what we are doing and what we hope to do. Our Society has been organized since November the 24th, 1902, and during that time we have been steadily climbing. At this writing we have twenty-three members; not all are members that should be. Since last August we have paid out about \$95.00. I think that does right well for our women, though we expect to do more another year. The ladies had the parsonage papered and painted inside which adds much to the appearance. Most of the money paid for this work was made by the ladies doing fancy work and selling it and different other things to earn money. It is a good thing for any church to have a Missionary Society. We learn of the needs of our Missionaries, of the work they are doing and of the work we should do. It is not impossible for the ladies in our country churches to have Missionary Societies. We meet just once a month and that is not very often. In the country you could meet that often or if not, once in two months and you would be doing something to spread the Gospel. Christ said "Go ye into all the world and preach the Gospel to every creature." We can't do that but we can give of our means to send some one to preach. If it be little we can do, it is that much for the Master and we will be blest if we do our best. We ask for your prayers in our work, that we may do what our hands find to do, and that we will accomplish something in His name.

MRS. W. F. STALEY, Pres.
MRS. W. H. CHURCH, Sec.

The report on Ministerial Relief was read by M. McNeil:

REPORT ON MINISTERIAL RELIEF.

The progress which the Ministerial Relief Board has made during the sixteen years of its organization is to be very much appreciated by the Baptist hosts of North Carolina.

The first year's work of the Board was twenty-two beneficiaries with an apportionment of only about ten dollars for each beneficiary for the year. In the year 1905 the Board had twenty-six beneficiaries, and gave them on an average over fifty dollars each. An increase of over five hundred per cent. within fifteen years. The Board for the year 1905 helped twenty-six beneficiaries, representing eighteen Associations. The Board received from the churches during the year of 1905, \$2,120.85, one-third of this amount, \$706.85 was placed to the permanent interest bearing fund, leaving \$1,414.00 to be used by the Board.

The permanent interest bearing fund amounts now to \$5,455.98. Interest on that fund for last year was \$360.48.

Brethren, we desire to call your earnest attention to the growing need of the work before us as to the need of the old servants of God; many of them spent their strength on home fields when there was but little remuneration to themselves, but laid the foundation upon which we are building.

We urge the churches to greatly increase their pledges to this object.

M. McNEIL,
H. H. JONES,
W. Z. HESTER,
Committee.

The report was put on its merits and discussed by M. McNeil, Geo. White, after which pledges were taken amounting to \$31.00 and the report adopted.

On motion of W. C. Meadows the following resolution was unanimously adopted:

Resolved, That the thanks of this Association be extended to this church and community for the cordial hospitality extended the delegates and visitors.

The following is a report of the Executive Committee:

We the Executive Board beg leave to submit the following report: We find that Brother A. T. Pardew has done the following work; preached seventy-five days, had sixty conversions, forty baptisms. The work in revival meetings and on temperance is quite interesting.

In looking over the needs of special missionary work in the Association, we find a section in the South Eastern part of the Association where the Mormans are inculcating their doctrines. We therefore recommend that a missionary be employed and placed in the field immediately.

Respectfully submitted,

A. T. PARDEW,
W. F. STALEY,
W. C. MEADOWS,
M. McNEIL,
W. F. CARLTON,
Committee.

On motion of W. C. Meadows, the executive Board was authorized to appropriate \$25.00 of State and Association Mission's money and pay to T. E. Readmon to do Mission work in the above section.

E. F. Stafford, for the Committee on Time, Place, and Preacher for next session, reported as follows:

Time—Thursday before the fourth Sunday in August, 1907. Place—North Wilkesboro, N. C. Preacher, A. T. Pardew; Alternate, M. McNeil.

Geo. White read the report on State of the Churches, which was adopted:

REPORT ON STATE OF THE CHURCHES.

While the state of many of our churches could be improved yet we think the condition encouraging and hopeful. The Holy Spirit has been among them with his converting power and many precious souls have been saved. A spirit of fraternity and brotherly love prevails and a determination to pull together to advance the interest of the Kingdom.

Respectfully submitted,

GEO. WHITE,
J. D. SMITH,
EDWARD PARLIER,
Committee.

On motion of W. C. Meadows, the reading of the Sunday School report was deferred until Sunday at 10 a. m.

On motion the Moderator was instructed to appoint delegates and correspondents, which he did as follows:

Southern Baptist Convention, W. F. Staley, Alternate, M. McNeil.

State Convention, W. F. Staley, M. McNeil, W. C. Meadows, Alternates, Geo. White, J. D. Smith, R. A. Spainhour.

Correspondents to the Associations:

Brier Creek, S. G. Stout, and C. C. Wright.

Caldwell, H. J. Steelman and A. T. Pardew.

Stone Mountain, L. B. Pierce, and J. J. Kilby.

Stony Fork, W. F. Carlton, and M. B. Dancy.

Alexander, W. C. Meadows, and A. T. Pardew.

The Committee on devotional exercises reported L. Johnson to preach at 11 o'clock.

On motion of M. McNeil the Association adjourned, to meet to-morrow morning at 10 o'clock. Prayer by M. McNeil.

SUNDAY MORNING SESSION.

The Association met at 10:30 and devotional exercises were conducted by A. T. Pardew.

The record of yesterday's proceedings was read and approved.

The report on Sunday Schools as it appears in the minutes of 1905 was read by A. T. Pardew, and discussed by A. T. Pardew, L. Johnson, Asa Brown, and H. J. Steelman, after which pledges were taken for the State Sunday School work, amounting to \$17.00 and a hat collection which amounted to \$1.53, and the Clerk was asked to send it to the State Treasurer, at Raleigh, N. C.

It was decided to have the Minutes of the Sunday School Convention printed instead of a report, which is as follows:

PROCEEDINGS OF THE CONVENTION

MORAVIAN FALLS CHURCH,

Saturday, July 28th, 1906.

The School Convention of the Brushy Mountain Association met to-day in its sixth session. At 11 a. m. the delegates assembled in the church and were called to order by C. C. Wright, President. The roll of churches was called and the following Sunday Schools were represented, to-wit:

Edgewood; J. R. Miller and Julius Parker.

Little Rock; F. G. Carlton, Wilson Andrew and I. Broyhill.

Moravian Falls; E. M. Parlier and T. V. Harris.

Mt. Pleasant; A. L. Barnett and Jesse Sumerland,

Boiling Springs School House, (Branch of Mt. Pleasant) Benjamin Huffman.
 New Hope, D. V. Nichols, A. S. Eller and J. L. Watts.
 North Wilkesboro, E. M. Blackburn, H. W. Horton, J. S. Forrester.
 Woodlawn, (branch of No. Wilkesboro) Geo. White and U. B. Walters.
 Pleasant Home, L. B. Pierce, J. M. McNeil and Arthur Bumgarner.
 Pilgrim, A. T. Foster and J. S. Davis.
 Shady Grove, H. J. Steelman.
 Walnut Grove, W. A. Brown, J. E. Bentley and J. S. Jennings.
 Wilkesboro, M. McNeil, J. T. Fergerson, C. E. Parlier and J. D. Smith.

The President extended an invitation to correspondents and visitors, whereupon, J. W. Johnson of the Brier Creek Association presented himself and was welcomed to a seat in the Convention.

The Convention went into permanent organization by electing the same officers for the ensuing year.

On motion of H. W. Horton the secretary was asked to write to all churches that have not reported, asking them to do so, so it can be printed in the minutes. Adjournment for dinner.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

The Convention reassembled at 2 p. m. and prayer was offered by Rev. W. C. Meadows after which the Query was taken up: The Sunday School Work, How it can best be Promoted; Enrollment; which was discussed by W. C. Meadows, H. J. Steelman, B. Huffman, J. D. Smith, H. W. Horton, J. S. Davis, and C. C. Wright.

On motion of W. C. Meadows, Attendance and Interesting Parents, was discussed together, by H. W. Horton, J. D. Smith, W. O. Hendren, M. McNeil, and H. J. Steelman.

The President appointed the following Committees:

Time and Place, H. J. Steelman, E. Parlier, and L. R. Miller.

Program: H. W. Horton, W. C. Meadows and J. D. Smith.

On motion the Convention adjourned, with benediction by W. C. Meadows.

SECOND DAY—SUNDAY MORNING.

At 10 a. m. the Convention assembled, and the Sunday School was conducted by C. C. Wright. The hour having arrived to take up the Convention work, the record of Saturday was read and approved.

Bro. U. A. Miller of the Elkin Association was recognized and welcomed to a seat in our Convention.

How we Conduct our Schools; Round Table Talks, was discussed by H. J. Steelman, B. Huffman, W. O. Hendren, A. L. Foster, J. A. Glass, W. C. Meadows, O. F. Blevins, W. H. Church and C. C. Wright.

Adjournment for dinner. Benediction by A. T. Pardew.

SUNDAY EVENING.

At the ringing of the bell the Convention assembled in the house. The Choir sang, and prayer was offered by Dr. Mosley, after which Rev. A. Pardew preached the annual sermon; text, Romans 8:14, "For as many as are led by the spirit of God, they are the sons of God."

Dr. Mosley was called on for a talk, and he responded with an interesting and instructive address to the delegates and visitors present.

H. J. Steelman for the Committee on Time and Place made the following report: Time the fifth Sunday and

Saturday before in June, being the 29th and 30th. Place, Mt. Pleasant.

W. C. Meadows for the Committee on program asked for time, and said that they would get up a program and have the same printed before the time for meeting.

The following resolution was unanimously adopted:

Resolved, That we as delegates and visitors to the Brushy Mountain Sunday School Convention in session at Moravian Falls, tender our thanks to the good people of this community for their hospitality and kindness and to the choir for the music rendered during the session of the body, and to the Methodist brethren and sisters for their co-operation.

The Convention adjourned, after the choir sang, "God be with you till we meet again," with the benediction by A. T. Pardew.

W. H. CHURCH,
Secretary.

C. C. WRIGHT,
President.

On motion of A. T. Pardew the clerk was authorized to have the proceedings of the Association printed and distributed among the churches and that he be allowed \$5.00 of the minute fund as compensation for the same.

The hour having arrived for the sermon, Rev. L. Johnson took charge of the services and preached from Romans, 5:10. Theme, Christ our Sacrifice and High Priest.

Thus closed the most successful meeting of our Association.

W. H. CHURCH, Clerk.

C. C. WRIGHT,
Moderator.

CHURCHES	STATISTICS										PLEDGES							Totals	
	Baptised	Rec'd by Letter	Restored	Dismissed by Letter	Excluded	Died	Males	Females	Total	State Missions	Home Missions	Foreign Missions	Blaylock	Orphanage	Ministerial Relief	State Sunday School Work	Education		
Beaver Creek	10	1	6	1	1	21	45	76	1	10	8	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	
Cub Creek	15	7	1	1	1	46	52	98	5	4	10	8	10	10	1	2	2	2	
Edgewood	8	1	1	1	1	16	27	43	5	4	3	3	4	3	1	2	1	1	
Harmony	3	1	1	1	1	40	118	158	1	2	2	2	2	2	1	1	1	1	
Little Rock	2	1	1	1	1	25	29	54	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	
Moravian Falls	2	1	1	1	1	15	26	41	2	2	2	2	2	2	1	1	1	1	
Mt. Carmel	2	1	1	1	1	81	149	230	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	
Mt. Pleasant	2	1	1	1	1	27	40	67	6	2	2	2	2	2	1	1	1	1	
Mt. Zion	2	1	1	1	1	69	119	188	3	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	
New Hope	3	1	1	1	1	11	19	27	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	
North Wilkesboro	3	1	1	1	1	41	72	113	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	
Pleasant Grove	4	1	1	1	1	30	24	202	2	2	2	2	2	2	1	1	1	1	
Pleasant Home	10	1	1	1	1	30	57	113	3	3	3	3	3	3	1	1	1	1	
Pilgrim	1	1	1	1	1	24	44	68	5	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	
Shady Grove	1	1	1	1	1	7	10	17	2	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	
South Fork	9	1	1	1	1	15	11	26	3	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	
Stony Hill	3	1	1	1	1	76	149	225	3	2	2	2	2	2	1	1	1	1	
Walnut Grove	4	1	1	1	1	3	47	77	4	4	4	4	4	4	1	1	1	1	
Wilkesboro	21	6	1	1	1	46	84	130	2	2	2	2	2	2	1	1	1	1	
Zion Hill	2	1	1	1	1	12	20	32	12	10	10	12	10	12	2	2	2	2	
A. T. Pardew																			
W. F. Staley																			
Total	131	66	12	63	30	762	1277	2029	181	50	58	118	60	215	32	17	16	16	698

FINANCIAL TABLE

CHURCHES	Pastor's Salary	Building and Repairing	Incidentals	Sunday School Expense	The Poor	State Missions	Home Missions	Foreign Missions	State S. S. Work	Orphanage	Old Ministers Relief	Minute Fund	other Objects	Totals
Beaver Creek.....								\$ 1 00						\$ 1 00
Cub Creek.....	\$ 50 00							10 00		\$ 4 00		\$ 1 50		\$ 65 50
Edgewood.....	75 00		10 00	12 50	1 50	5 00	5 00	5 00	3 00	6 00	2 00	1 70	1 70	128 40
Harmony.....	40 00		3 50			5 00		3 00		5 00	1 00	1 00		58 50
Lewis Fork.....	34 00			2 00	5 00							1 00		43 00
Little Rock.....	30 00			10 00	4 00			1 00	50	1 00				49 25
Moravian Falls.....	50 00			10 00		5 00		10 00	1 00	21 34	3 00	85		101 19
Mt. Carmel.....	30 00		11 00	3 00		2 00		2 00		2 00	1 00	69		51 60
Mt. Pleasant.....	29 70		2 89	9 00	15 94	2 85		1 00		5 36		1 35	5 75	73 82
Mt. Zion.....	25 00			2 00		1 00		2 00		1 00	1 00	55		32 55
New Hope.....	25 00	30 00		4 90	2 40	2 00		1 00	1 00	2 83	1 00	1 00		71 23
North Wilkesboro.....	400 00	163 00	99 29	107 90	9 17	64 39	73 50	134 20	7 87	66 00		2 50	51 46	1179 28
Pleasant Grove.....	10 00			4 85		1 00	1 00	1 00	1 00	1 00	1 00	45		21 31
Pleasant Home.....	25 00			2 00		2 00	1 00	1 00		5 00	1 00	80		37 80
Pilgrim.....	44 27		4 00	4 00	2 75					1 00		1 00		58 02
Shady Grova.....	30 00					40 75		5 00				50		76 25
South Fork.....												50		50
Stony Hill.....	14 25		22	3 00		50		1 00		1 00	50	63		21 10
Walnut Grove.....	40 00						5 00	5 85		8 00		75		59 60
Wilkesboro.....	288 55					65 00	10 00	60 00		112 76	5 00	1 60		542 91
Zion Hill.....	75 00					10 00		5 00	1 00	5 70	1 00	75	48 00	146 45
Total.....	1315 87	193 00	130 90	175 16	40 76	209 47	95 50	249 05	15 37	248 99	17 50	19 78	106 91	2818 26

CHURCHES, PASTORS, CLERKS AND DELEGATES.

CHURCHES.	SABBATH OF WORSHIP.	PASTORS.	CLERKS.	P. O. ADDRESS OF CLERKS.	DELEGATES.
Beaver Creek.....		D. W. Pool.....	B. M. Pardew.....	North Wilkesboro.....	H. H. Jones, W. F. Reins, J. B. Hall.....
Cub Creek.....	2d	W. F. Staley.....	C. C. Wright.....	Hunting Creek.....	W. S. Stroud, R. L. Ellis, J. C. Ellmore.....
Edgewood.....	2d	A. T. Pardew.....	J. O. Pardew.....	North Wilkesboro.....	L. E. Phillips, J. J. Kilby, T. J. Broyhill.....
Harmony.....	1st	W. F. Carlton.....	Z. C. Church.....	Ready Branch.....	A. F. Foster, Wm. West, W. R. Triplett.....
Lewis Fork.....	1st	Geo. Bumgarner.....	J. W. Livingston.....	Boomer.....	F. G. Carlton, J. C. Pennell, J. W. Livingston.....
Little Rock.....	1st	L. P. Gwaltney.....	J. B. Leach.....	Moravian Falls.....	S. G. Stout, E. M. Parlier, A. A. Leach.....
Moravian Falls.....	4th	T. E. Redmon.....	W. Z. Hester.....	Moravian Falls.....	J. H. Crisp, W. Z. Hester, J. I. Crisp.....
Mt. Carmel.....	3rd	J. F. Eller.....	L. V. Cardwell.....	Purlear No. 1.....	J. M. Watson, A. M. Wash, J. F. McGee.....
Mt. Pleasant.....	2d	Asa. Brown.....	W. O. Barnett.....	Mt. Zion.....	S. J. Barnes, T. J. Watson, W. O. Barnett.....
Mt. Zion.....	4th	M. McNeil.....	T. G. Yates.....	Staunton.....	J. S. Watts, A. S. Eller, Thos. Hays.....
New Hope.....	4th	W. F. Staley.....	J. W. Garvey.....	North Wilkesboro.....	H. W. Horton, E. F. Stafford, W. H. Church.....
North Wilkesboro.....	2 and 4		C. Bishop.....	Buck.....	J. M. Minton, M. T. Billings, J. A. Foster.....
Pleasant Grove.....	2d		W. T. Kilby.....	Millers Creek.....	J. M. McNeil, C. C. Church, L. B. Pierce.....
Pleasant Home.....	3rd	M. McNeil.....	Z. V. Church.....	Congo.....	M. B. Dancy, Sherman Davis, Z. V. Church.....
Pilgrim.....	3rd	W. F. Cardwell.....	J. L. Pardew.....	Adley.....	H. J. Steelman, J. W. Joins, J. L. Pardew.....
Shady Grove.....	2d	A. T. Pardew.....	Phillip Eller.....	Willber.....	A. J. Eller, Phillip Eller, James Joines.....
South Fork.....		A. J. Eller.....	G. W. Walsh.....	Pasonville.....	G. W. Walsh, J. R. Whittington, J. M. Parsons.....
Stony Hill.....	3rd	J. F. Eller.....	W. A. Brown.....	Poors Knob.....	W. A. Brown, J. E. Bentley, F. D. Meadows.....
Walnut Grove.....	3rd	D. W. Pool.....	S. J. Ginnings.....	Wilkesboro.....	J. D. Smith, F. G. Holman, D. R. Edwards.....
Wilkesboro.....	1 and 3	L. P. Gwaltney.....	J. E. Germe.....	Boomer.....	J. E. Gernam, Lawrence Carlton, Hill Carlton.....
Zion Hill.....	4th	W. J. Bumgarner.....			

CHURCHES	SUPERINTENDENTS AND ADDRESSES	Officers and Teachers	Scholars	Total	Average	Volumes in Library	Quartiles and Papers Taken	Baptisms from School	Months kept open
Beaver Creek	C. C. Wright, Hunting Creek, N. C.	7	175	182	70	100	200	12	9
Cub Creek	J. W. Church, Purlear, N. C.	4	54	58	23	40	40	6	6
Edgeworth	Isaac Brodyhill, Boomer, N. C.	5	52	57	30	50	69	6	6
Harmony	D. J. Pardue, Moravian Falls, N. C.	7	43	50	30	30	50	12	12
Little Rock	J. I. Craisp, Moravian Falls, N. C.	9	41	50	30	30	50	8	8
Moravian Falls	A. L. Barnett, Chaupion, N. C.	9	100	105	67	20	90	18	12
Mt. Carmel	B. Huffman, Purlear, N. C.	6	64	70	39	40	40	12	12
Mt. Pleasant	S. J. Barnett, Mt. Zion, N. C.	4	35	39	15	50	40	6	6
(Branch)	A. S. Eller, Purlear No. 1	8	116	124	127	48	48	12	12
Mt. Zion	W. H. Church, North Wilkesboro, N. C.	15	291	306	127	379	379	26	12
New Hope	J. F. McNeil, Buck, N. C.	6	54	60	25	186	186	1	12
North Wilkesboro	L. B. Pierce, Millers Creek, N. C.	10	130	140	61	140	140	6	6
Pleasant Grove	H. J. Stentman, Adley, N. C.	4	15	19	15	1	1	1	6
Pleasant Home	W. S. Hall, Parsonville, N. C.	5	85	90	46	300	300	5	6
Pilgrim	A. E. Treadway, Poores Knob, N. C.	4	90	94	50	50	50	6	6
Shady Grove	J. D. Smith, Wilkesboro, N. C.	6	56	62	62	87	87	12	12
South Fork	R. P. Yates, Boomer, N. C.	7	60	67	50	100	100	19	10
Stony Hill									
Walnut Grove									
Wilkesboro									
Zion Hill									
		112	1461	1573	730	170	1629	83	

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