

MINUTES

OF THE

COUNTRY-LINE

Primitive Baptist Association,

HELD WITH THE

CHURCH AT EBENEZER,

PERSON COUNTY, N. C.,

August 14th, 15th and 16th, 1886.



DANVILLE, VA.:

THOS. H. AVERETT, BOOKSELLER, STATIONER AND JOB PRINTER,
1886.

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PROCEEDINGS.

1st. The Introductory Sermon was preached by Elder A. Blalock, from Deuteronomy, xxxii : 1, 2.

2nd. The Association convened, and after prayer by Elder William Lundy, proceeded to business.

3rd. The Rules of Decorum were read.

4th. The letters from the several churches were read, and their standing minuted in the Statistical Table.

5th. Correspondents were invited to take seats with us, whereupon the following were received :

From Kehukee—Elder B. Greenwood.

From Little River—Brother G. B. Powell.

From Black Creek—Elder P. D. Gold and Brethren D. A. Scott and S. D. Boykin.

From New River—Elder P. G. Lester.

From Mountain Association—Elder Wm. Lundy.

From Mayo—Brethren G. W. Carter and W. T. Comer.

From Staunton River—Brother C. P. Williams.

6th. Elder A. N. Hall was chosen Moderator.

7th. Elders F. L. Oakley, Y. I. Chandler and A. Blalock, with the Moderator and Clerk, were chosen a Committee of Arrangements, and Brethren J. W. Neal and C. J. Terry as a Committee of Finance.

8th. Elders B. H. Wooten and I. Jones preached in the afternoon, and Elders B. Greenwood and T. Y. Monk preached at night.

9th. Two new churches, named respectively "Dan River" and "Durham," (white churches) were received into this Association.

10th. Adjourned until Monday morning at 9 o'clock.

SUNDAY MORNING, 10 O'CLOCK.

11th. Elder P. D. Gold opened services, and preached from John, i : 16. Elder P. G. Lester closed morning services, from John, xii : 38. Elder B. Greenwood preached about 2 o'clock, from Zachariah, i : 5. Elder W. Lundy followed about 5 o'clock, from Zachariah, iv : 2. Elder B. H. Wooten preached at night, from John, x : 10.

MONDAY MORNING, 9 O'CLOCK.

12th. The Association met according to adjournment, and after prayer by Elder I. Jones, proceeded to business.

13th. The Committees of Arrangements and Finance reported ; their reports were received and they were discharged.

14th. Messengers appointed last year to visit sister Associations and Section Meetings generally attended, and those who did not were excused.

15th. Messengers were appointed to visit sister Associations :

To Mayo—Elder D. R. Moore and Brethren G. W. Carter, R. D. Harris and J. R. Hester.

To Kehukee—Elders F. L. Oakley and A. Blalock.

To Little River—Elder F. L. Oakley.

To Contentnea—Elder F. L. Oakley and Brother H. Farthing.

To Staunton River—Elders A. N. Hall, James S. Dameron, J. M. Harris, and Brethren R. D. Harris and W. S. Paschal.

To White Oak—Elders A. Blalock and F. L. Oakley.

To Abbott's Creek—Elders F. L. Oakley and Y. I. Chandler.

To Pigg River—Elder J. M. Harris.

To Black Creek—Elders F. L. Oakley and Y. I. Chandler.

16th. Agreed to send files of minutes to Upatoie, Fisher's River, Smith River, New River, Mill Branch and Mountain Associations.

17th. Elders A. Blalock, James S. Dameron, and T. Y. Monk, were appointed to attend a Section Meeting at Deep Creek, commencing on Friday before the fourth Sunday in April, 1887 ; and Elders James A. Burch, J. M. Harris, and T. Y. Monk, were appointed to attend another at Storie's Creek, commencing on Friday before the third Sunday in April, 1887.

18th. The Circular Letter was not prepared by Brother C. A. Howard, but he was excused, with the understanding that he shall write one for next year.

19th. Elders F. L. Oakley and James A. Burch, of the Presbytery appointed last year to attend to the request of Deep Creek Church, and examine the qualifications of Brother Ellis Faucette (colored), set him apart to the work of the ministry, as pastor of the colored church known as Durham.

20th. Appointed Elders F. L. Oakley, A. Blalock and James A. Burch, as a Presbytery to attend the call of Gilliam's Church, and if expedient to set apart to the work of the ministry Brother W. E. Slade (colored), as pastor of the colored church known as Mill Grove.

21st. Elders F. L. Oakley, James A. Burch, James S. Dameron, and Brother J. W. Neal, attended the church at Mill, and upon examination found that all except three members of said church had gone off with other denominations. Those three members agreed to dissolve said Mill Church; sell the church property; pay the debt of one hundred dollars due James S. Dameron, for money advanced in repairing said house, and to divide the balance of the proceeds among themselves. The said property brought one hundred and ten dollars, leaving a balance of ten dollars to be divided among said members *pro rata*, which amount they have received.

22nd. The Finance committee reported as follows:

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| Received from Churches..... | \$28 90 |
| Already in the hands of the Clerk..... | 20 00 |
| Total..... | <u>\$48 90</u> |

EXPENDITURES.

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| Clerk's fee..... | \$10 00 |
| Paid for printing and distributing 1,300 copies of these minutes..... | 14 00 |
| Total..... | <u>\$24 00</u> |
| Balance in hands of Clerk..... | \$24 90 |

23rd. For the purpose of securing better order at our Associations, the three following suggestions were made: Either to abandon the custom of camping on the Associational grounds; or to have two sessions of the Association each year; or to have the Association to commence

on Wednesday instead of Saturday. The Churches are requested to signify in their letters to the next Association their wishes in the matter.

24th. Agreed that our next Association be held with the church at Lick Fork, about two miles from Ruffin, Rockingham county, N. C., commencing on Saturday before the third Sunday in August, 1887, and that Elder T. Y. Monk preach the Introductory Sermon; Elder S. P. Terry his alternate.

A. N. HALL, Moderator.

JAMES S. DAMERON, Clerk.

C. A. HOWARD, Assistant Clerk.

ORDAINED MINISTERS

AND THEIR POSTOFFICES.

- A. N. HALL, Woodsdale, Person County, N. C.
A. BLALOCK, Mt. Tirzah, Person County, N. C.
D. R. MOORE, Surle, Person County, N. C.
F. L. OAKLEY, Anderson's Store, Caswell County, N. C.
JAMES S. DAMERON, Ruffin, Rockingham County, N. C.
JAMES A. BURCH, Company's Shops, Alamance County, N. C.
J. M. HARRIS, Reidsville, Rockingham County, N. C.
Y. I. CHANDLER, Fitch's, Caswell County, N. C.
S. P. TERRY, South Lowell, Durham County, N. C.
T. Y. MONK, South Lowell, Durham County, N. C.
J. C. HUDGINS, Tally Ho, Granville County, N. C.

STATISTICAL TABLE, 1886.

| Number. | NAMES OF CHURCHES. | NAMES OF MESSENGERS. | NAMES OF POST-OFFICES. | Baptised. | Rec. by Letter. | Restored. | Dis. by Letter. | Excluded. | Deceased. | Fellowship. | Finances. |
|-------------|-----------------------|--|-----------------------------|-----------|-----------------|-----------|-----------------|-----------|-----------|-------------|-----------|
| | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 1 | Arbor..... | *F. L. Oakley, *Y. I. Chandler, J. D. Smith..... | Anderson's Store, N. C..... | 3 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 10 | | 135 | \$3 00 |
| 2 | Big Meadow..... | E. Buckner, W. C. Jones, †J. F. Buckner..... | Gravel Spring, N. C..... | 2 | | | | | | 22 | 1 25 |
| 3 | Camp Creek..... | *A. Blalock, J. C. Hudgins, H. Blalock..... | Mt. Tirzah, N. C..... | 1 | 1 | | | | | 2 | 52 1 50 |
| 4 | Country Line..... | By letter (per Y. I. Chandler)..... | Fitehe's Store, N. C..... | 1 | | | | | | 1 | 14 50 |
| 5 | Deep Creek..... | J. Brooks..... | Iola, N. C..... | | | | | | | 3 | 20 50 |
| 6 | Dutchville..... | S. D. Coley, I. H. Harris, †W. T. Suit..... | Dutchville, N. C..... | 3 | | 1 | | | | 4 | 36 1 25 |
| 7 | Dan River..... | W. G. Dix, †R. Dix, †E. R. Harris..... | Mayfield, N. C..... | | | | | | | | 16 1 00 |
| 8 | Durham..... | H. Farthing, †W. A. Mitchell, W. G. Vickers..... | Durham, N. C..... | | | | | | | | 9 1 25 |
| 9 | Eno..... | †J. M. Woods, W. Farthing, †J. Hall..... | Durham, N. C..... | | | | 1 | 5 | | | 78 1 25 |
| 10 | Ebenezer..... | A. Harris..... | Winstead's Mill, N. C..... | 1 | 1 | | 1 | | | | 20 75 |
| 11 | Flat River..... | *D. R. Moore, J. K. Duncan, R. Davis..... | Surle, N. C..... | | | 2 | 3 | 2 | | | 68 1 80 |
| 12 | Gilliam's..... | W. L. Brooks, J. W. Gilliam..... | Morton's Store, N. C..... | | | | | | | | 20 1 00 |
| 13 | Harmony..... | J. Workman, L. Heath..... | Cedar Grove, N. C..... | 2 | | | | 1 | | | 22 60 |
| 14 | Lynch's Creek..... | By letter..... | Prospect Hill, N. C..... | | | | | | | 1 | 14 50 |
| 15 | Lick Fork..... | J. W. Harris, R. D. Harris, C. A. Howard..... | Ruffin, N. C..... | 1 | | | | | | | 61 2 75 |
| 16 | Mt. Zion..... | Geo. B. Hite, †H. F. Wilkins..... | Hycy, Va..... | | | | | | | 1 | 8 50 |
| 17 | Mt. Lebanon..... | *T. Y. Monk, †W. T. Bacon, James Monk..... | South Lowell, N. C..... | | | | 3 | | | | 2 58 1 00 |
| 18 | Mill..... | Dissolved..... | | | | | 3 | 13 | | | |
| 19 | Moon's Creek..... | *J. S. Dameron, J. W. Neal, †W. C. Travis..... | Danville, Va..... | | | | | | | | 20 75 |
| 20 | Prospect Hill..... | J. R. Hester, W. H. Warren, W. E. Warren..... | Prospect Hill, N. C..... | 3 | | | | | | | 46 1 25 |
| 21 | Pleasant Grove..... | †W. L. Walker, E. Apple, †B. B. McKinney..... | Ashland, N. C..... | 1 | | | 2 | 1 | 3 | | 44 1 00 |
| 22 | Storie's Creek..... | J. H. Clayton, D. Satterfield, J. A. B. Walters..... | Roxboro, N. C..... | | | | 1 | 1 | 1 | | 26 1 00 |
| 23 | Shiloh..... | *A. N. Hall, W. Jones, W. Ladd..... | Woodsdale, N. C..... | | | | | | | | 19 1 00 |
| 24 | Tar River..... | L. D. Williford, W. H. Gordon, R. L. Newton..... | Berea, N. C..... | 1 | | | | | | | 31 75 |
| 25 | U. S. Hycy..... | *J. A. Burch, B. Russell, S. O'Briant..... | Gordonton, N. C..... | | | | | | | | 58 1 25 |
| 26 | Wolf Island..... | G. W. Carter, W. Summers, S. Paschall..... | Reidsville, N. C..... | 2 | | | | 1 | 1 | | 56 1 50 |
| Totals..... | | | | 20 | 2 | 1 | 14 | 22 | 37 | 953 | \$23 90 |

* Ordained Ministers. † Absentees. ‡ Licentiates.

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