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Church at "Head of Tennessee"
Rabun County, Ga.

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The next session of the Tuckaseige Association will meet with the church at Cullowhee, Jackson County, Thursday before the Third Sunday in August, 1901. Introductory sermon at 11 A. M., by Rev. W. L. Bradley, Alternate, Rev. F. M. Morgan.

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PROCEEDINGS.

Rabun County, Ga.

August 16, 1900.

The Seventy-first Annual Session of the Tuckaseige Baptist Association met this day with the church at the Head of Tennessee. In the absence of the Moderator the body was called to order by the Clerk. On motion, Rev. W. L. Bradley was elected Moderator *Pro Tempore*. Rev. A. B. Smith being absent, Rev. A. B. Thomas was appointed to preach the introductory sermon at 11 o'clock a. m. After prayer by Rev. W. L. Bradley, Rev. A. B. Thomas delivered the Sermon; Text—John 20:21; Subject: "The churches' mission in the World." Prayer by Rev. W. E. Conner. On motion, adjourned to 1:45 p. m. Song, "Must Jesus Bear the Cross Alone." Benediction by Rev. J. L. Owen.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

The Association met at 1:45 p. m. Song "Grace 'tis a Charming Sound"; prayer by Rev. J. W. Kesterson. The body being declared ready for business, Bro. J. L. Fouts and Rev. Z. J. Edge were appointed reading Clerks.

Read letters and enrolled delegates as follows:

- 1 Burningtown—J. B. Younce, J. L. Fouts.
- 2 Oak Dale—None.
- 3 Cowee—Jas. M. Mashburn, J. T. Raby, T. C. Bryson, M. L. Rickman.
- 4 Locust Field—None.
- 5 Ochre Hill—None.
- 6 Mt. Pleasant—M. B. Wood.
- 7 Liberty—John D. Rickman, George H. Gibson, John E. Rickman.
- 8 Oak Grove—Rev. W. L. Bradley, Cary Hall.
- 9 Shoal Creek—George Green.
- 10 Mt. Hope—Rev. S. B. Yoder, J. P. Emery, J. F. Slagle.
- 11 Cartoogechage—W. R. Cloer, H. H. Dills, S. E. Dills. Rev. G. W. Seay.
- 12 Flats of Middle Creek—L. H. Garland, John Garland, Rev. A. W. Young.
- 13 Pleasant Hill—J. A. T. Sanders, J. A. Hastings, J. C. Sanders.
- 14 Scoots Creek—J. P. Reed, A. W. Farmer, Lee Queen.
- 15 Watauga—C. L. Rickman, J. M. Tallent, J. L. Corbin.
- 16 Sylva—Thad. C. Bryson, B. C. Grindstaff, Revs. A. B. Thomas, Z. J. Edge, J. W. Kesterson.

- 17 Sugar Fork—B. M. Allen, J. C. M. Bolick, Logan Allen.
- 18 Savannah—D. H. Ashe, G. W. Green, S. M. Brooks.
- 19 Pine Grove—T. C. Vinson, T. C. Dills.
- 20 Brush Creek—James Vinson.
- 21 Hamburg—J. L. Owen.
- 22 Highlands—John Houston, Ransom Hedden, J. W.

Arnold.

- 23 Dillsboro—E. B. Monteith.
- 24 Webster—W. O. Buchanan, Wib. Buchanan.
- 25 Callowhee—D. H. Phillipps, Rev. J. D. Sitton.
- 26 John's Creek—M. R. Phillipps.

Election of Moderator was next in order. All delegates whose letters were not present were allowed a vote. Bro. T. C. Bryson was elected Moderator. Voted that Bro. J. L. Fouts cast the ballot for the present Clerk, R. M. Ledford. Election of Historian and Treasurer was postponed until the report. Newly constituted churches called for. Received letter and enrolled delegates from the new churches at (27) Barkers Creek.

Delegates,—A. D. Jones, Samuel Jones.

On motion, order of business of last year adopted with necessary changes.

1. Meet at 9 a. m., Devotional Services by Moderator.
2. Read minutes of previous day.
3. Extend invitations and appoint other Committees.
4. Call for report of Committees.
5. Consider request of churches.
6. Sermon each day at 11 a. m.
7. Historian's report.
8. Treasurer's report.
9. Motions and resolutions.

Changes will appear in another place.

Appointed the following Committees:

1. Preaching,—A. W. Farmer, with the delegates and deacons of this church.
2. Home and State Missions,—Rev. A. B. Thomas, J. N.

Arnold.

3. Foreign Missions,—Rev. W. R. Rickman, D. H. Ashe.
4. Education,—Z. J. Edge, J. M. Carpenter.
5. Temperance,—W. C. Conner, M. L. Rickman.
6. Sunday Schools,—J. W. Kesterson, S. J. Ammons.
7. Periodicals,—A. H. Sims, D. H. Phillipps.
8. Orphanage,—W. L. Bradley, James R. Reed.
9. Obituaries,—J. L. Owen, E. G. Crawford.
10. Revision of Ministers' names,—L. H. Garland, G. W.

Green.

11. State of Churches,—J. E. Rickman, M. R. Phillipps.
12. Time, Place, Annual Sermon,—J. D. Sitton, W. O. Buchanan, A. G. Dillard.
13. Finance,—G. W. Grist, J. W. Buchanan.

Voted, that G. W. Cowen, W. R. Rickman and A. W. Farmer be appointed to arrange a program for the Association.

On call for visitors and correspondence, Rev. Lee Rickman and wife, from Montana; Prof. H. L. Sams, Principal of the "Tuckaseige Sylva Collegiate Institute"; Prof. O'Kelley, Serepta Association, Georgia; Rev. T. D. Watson, Tennessee River Association, were welcomed to seats in the body. Homes of delegates announced.

Adjourned to 9 a. m. to-morrow.

Benediction by Rev. A. B. Thomas.

SECOND DAY, August 17.

The Association met according to adjournment. Devotional exercises conducted by Rev. W. R. Rickman. Song, "Jesus Lover of My Soul." Prayer by Revs. A. J. Kelley and W. R. Rickman. The body declared ready for business.

Minutes of the previous day read and approved. Received letters and enrolled delegates from the following churches:

- 28 Franklin,—Rev. A. H. Sims, E. H. Franks, Elias Ammons, W. N. Almond.
- 29 Mountain Grove,—U. Fox, W. A. Wilson.
- 30 Tesenta,—R. A. Wright, Vance Justice.
- 31 Zion Hill,—W. P. Collins, S. F. Woodard.
- 32 Head of Tenn.,—G. W. Grist, D. W. Rickman, James Ramsey, A. G. Dillard, C. F. Garland and A. J. Grist.
- 33 Ellijay,—A. J. Moore, Jr.
- 34 Clear Creek,—Rev. T. N. Ford, A. J. Chasteen, J. B. Bryson, W. J. Smith.

Rev. A. J. Kelley, Serepta Association, Ga.; Rev. H. H. Harris, Clarksville Association, Ga.; Rev. G. N. Cowen, Edenton, N. C., were welcomed to seats in the body.

Committee on Arrangement reported the following:

Friday, 9:30, Orphanage report; 11:00, Sermon; 1:30, Home and State Missions; 2:30, Sunday Schools; 3:30, Report of Committee on Time and Place and Revision of Ministers' names. Historian's report.

Saturday, 9:30, Foreign Missions; 10:30, Education; 1:30, Periodicals; 2:00, Temperance; 2:45, Obituaries, State of Churches, Finance, and Treasurer's report.

Report adopted.

Orphanage report read and spoken to by Rev. W. L. Bradley, Rev. A. B. Thomas, Rev. G. N. Cowen.
Collection for the Mills Memorial building, \$7.41.

ORPHANAGE REPORT.

The Orphan's Home at Thomasville is now in good condition. We have for once reached our most devoutly cherished hope of going through a year without an empty treasury. By reference to the Treasurer's report you will discover two very important facts. (1) There is money in the treasury. (2) There is no indebtedness reported. While this is true, we cared for a much larger number of Orphans than ever before. 228 Orphans have been cared for by the Orphanage this year. We should be greatly encouraged to continue our contributions, praying God that it may be greatly increased, that we may remain out of debt, and be a blessing to the homeless of our land. We hope the Orphanage will have the prayers and hearty co-operation of all the Baptists of the State. God has placed them among us and we should look after their welfare. God is blessing us with homes and life's sustenance, so we should be very mindful of those whom He has entrusted to our care, remembering that it is for the homeless and friendless that Christ commands His special love. May God aid us in this honorable and lovely duty.

W. L. BRADLEY, }
J. P. REED, } Committee.

Song, "How Firm a Foundation." Prayer by Rev. W. L. Bradley. Sermon at 11:00 a. m. by Rev. Lee Rickman. Text, Mark 12:30. The Association was glad to hear Bro. Rickman's voice again after an absence of 10 years.

Adjourned. Benediction by Rev. S. B. Yoder.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

The Association reassembled at 1:30 p. m. Prayer by Rev. Geo. W. Seay. The body declared ready for business.

Rev. A. E. Brown, Secretary State Mission Board, was welcomed to a seat.

On motion, report on Periodicals was set for 9:00 a. m., tomorrow, and Foreign Missions for 1:30 p. m.

Committee on Home and State Missions reported. Report spoken to by Rev. A. B. Thomas and Rev. A. E. Brown.

PLEDGES FOR STATE MISSIONS.

Cullowhee, \$5.00; Dillsboro, \$5.00; John's Creek, \$2.00; Locust Field, \$3.00; Mt. Pleasant, \$2.00; Mountain, \$1.00; Shoal Creek, \$2.00; Savannah, \$3.00; Sylva, \$10.00; Ladies' Missionary Society at Webster, \$10.00; Zion Hill, \$1.00; Barker's Creek, \$2.00; Coweta, \$3.00; Cartoogechaye, \$2.00; Ellijay, \$5.00; Franklin, \$5.00; High-

lands, 2.00; Flats, 1.00; Oak Dale, 1.00; Pleasant Hill, 1.00; Sugar Fork, 4.00; Watauga, 1.00; Brush Creek, 1.00; Rev. A. H. Sims, 5.00; Rev. R. S. Sanders, 1.00; J. M. Carpenter, .50; Rev. A. E. Brown, 1.00; D. H. Ashe, .50; W. A. Wilson, .50; W. L. Bradley, .50; R. M. Ledford, .50; Mt. Hope, 1.00; Burningtown, 5.00; Cowee, 2.50; Head of Tenn., 5.00; Liberty, 1.00; Total \$100.00.

REPORT ON HOME AND STATE MISSIONS.

By Home Missions we mean the work of the Southern Baptist Convention. Our Board is located at Atlanta, Ga., and is doing a great work in our own section in aiding to sustain our Missionaries. Therefore this work deserves our special attention. Last year they had 671 Missionaries employed, who did 16,919 weeks of labor. The Board has under its care 2,168 churches and stations. Last year there were 5,696 Baptisms. They received by letter 6,255. Constituted 195 churches; built 71 houses of Worship; improved 63; organized 639 Sunday Schools; distributed 18,412 Bibles and Testaments. They have 25 Missionaries in Cuba, and are doing a great work on the Western frontier, among the Foreign population in our large cities, and among the negroes of the South, besides the special work among our mountain people from Virginia to Alabama. In this they are striving to carry out the Great Command of our Master, beginning at Jerusalem. They need our prayers, our most consecrated efforts, and our money. This is the day of our opportunity. Neglect or indifference now to this work means lost opportunity.

In connection with this work is the work of our State Mission Board in carrying the gospel to our own people in the Eastern, Middle and Western sections of our State. This work especially appeals to our hearts. Shall we heed the appeal and come to the help of our more than a hundred Missionaries?

A. B. THOMAS, }
J. N. ARNOLD, } Committee.

Report on State Missions adopted.

Committee on Sunday Schools report discussions by Revs. Lee Rickman, J. W. Kesterson, T. D. Watson, A. H. Sims, A. E. Brown, A. J. Kelley.

Report adopted.

REPORT ON SUNDAY SCHOOLS.

Dear Brethren: Your Committee on Sunday Schools beg to submit the following report: On looking over the letters we are glad to note that the Sunday School work has increased over the previous year. More pupils have been enrolled, the average attendance larger, contributions larger and more money spent for literature. As the Sunday School is the church at work, we earnestly request that each pastor and member be more zealous during the coming year than they have been any previous year. The responsibility of the Master's work is greater upon us to day than ever before. Let us spare no pains in developing the boys and girls into broader Christian life.

We urge that each pastor should see that no other than a man or woman of God should teach in the Sunday School. We also request that the Superintendents and teachers take more interest in encouraging the pupils to give more liberally to all the benevolent objects. We think that it would be well for our Sunday Schools to purchase literature from the Baptist-Book Store, as all profits go to the Mission Board.

J. W. KESTERON, }
S. J. AMMONS, } Committee.
G. W. SEAY, }

- Report on time and place read and adopted, (see first of Minute.)
- Report on revision of Minister's names read and adopted, (see first of Minute.)
- Historian's report read and adopted.
- Adjourned to 9:00 a. m. to-morrow.
- Benediction by G. N. Cowen.

HISTORIAN'S REPORT.

The last session of our Association, held with the Hamburg church, first district, August, 1899, marked an epoch in our denominational life and history that we trust will not be ephemeral. It was the bursting forth into tangible and practical form, the Spirit of Christian education, that had so long slumbered in our hearts. We had come to realize the imperative need of a Baptist school of high grade in our Association. The report on education stated the necessity of such an Institution in our bounds. Several of the brethren made short, sensible speeches on the possibility of the enterprise, and the Association voted unanimously to undertake the establishment of such a school at the earliest possible date, and T. Clingman Bryson, James M. Carpenter, of the second district, and R. Frank Jarrett, C. Lambert Hooper and H. Cicero Cowen, of the first district, were appointed as a Board of Trustees to secure a building site, solicit subscriptions and make arrangements for the construction of the building. The town of Sylva, Jackson County, offered \$773.00 as a financial inducement, as well as the fact that Sylva is and will be of easy access for all time, and is beautiful for situation, and is unsurpassed for its healthfulness. The trustees accepted the Sylva proposition, and have purchased a site for the school building on a beautiful eminence overlooking the entire town and surrounding country for miles. The brick for the building are now in the kiln. The name of the Institution is, "The Tuckaseige Sylva Collegiate Institute."

The trustees have leased the Academy building until our house is ready for use. Prof. Harry L. Sams has been elected principal. Prof. Sams is an A. B. graduate of Wake Forest. He has taught in Mars Hill College very acceptably for two years. He is a man of noble, stainless character. Prof. Z. J. Edge and Miss Annie Bushall are his assistants. Bro. Edge needs no recommendation as a Christian teacher to this body. Miss Bushall comes to us well recommended, and we at Sylva, who are familiar with the inside working of the school are sure that there has been no mistake in selecting the teachers. The first session of the Institute opened Aug.

7, 1900 with 57 students. The number has increased almost every day since. Rev. A. E. Brown, general Missionary for Western North Carolina, has aided very materially in all the work of the trustees, and we appreciate his wise council and efficient work. We want to say again, since the organization of the Tuckaseige Association no more important step has been taken by this body than the establishing of this school, and would earnestly insist that every Baptist man and woman in our bounds give their prayers, patronage, and money to it, for it will take it all to make the school a success under God.

Our last session was made memorable because we had with us Revs. John E. White, Corresponding Secretary State Baptist Convention, A. E. Brown, General Missionary for Western North Carolina, and Jesse C. Owen, who was soon to go as a Foreign Missionary to China, G. N. Cowen, who was formerly one of us, but now pastor at Edenton, N. C., also Bro. N. L. Shaw, the "Recorder man." The sermons and talks of these brethren were indeed helpful. It was said by many of the vast audience present, that the sermon of the occasion was preached Friday at 11:00 a. m. by Elder G. N. Cowen. Text, Isa. 53:11, "He shall see the travail of His soul, and be satisfied." Subject, "A suffering and satisfied Christ."

During the year a new church has been organized at Barker's Creek, first district. Brethren, Z. J. Edge, of Sylva, J. D. Sitton, of Cullowhee, M. A. Norman, of Ochre Hill, J. T. Carson, and Thos. H. Queen, of Mt. Pleasant, have been ordained to the full work of the Gospel ministry. Rev. A. B. Smith resigned the care of the church at Dillsboro, and moved to Marble, Cherokee County, N. C. A. B. Thomas, resigned at Highlands, and W. R. Rickman was called. H. H. Mashburn and D. M. Presley attended the S. B. T. Seminary, Louisville, Ky., and John A. Brendle, Wake Forest.

The church at Webster has completed their new and beautiful House of Worship, which is a credit to them and an honor to the Denomination. Rev. T. F. Deitz has accepted the care of the church at Bryson City. Rev. A. H. Sims resigned the care of the church at Franklin, Cowee, Head of Tenn., and become agent for the Biblical Recorder in Western North Carolina.

A. B. THOMAS, Historian.

THIRD DAY, August 18.

The body met according to appointment. Religious exercises conducted by Rev. H. H. Harris. The body announced ready for business.

Minutes of previous day read and approved.

Received letters from (35) Coweta.—B. H. Carpenter, R. D. Bates, R. N. Henson, J. M. Carpenter, M. N. Long, J. G. Bates, J. B. Whitmire.

Rev. C. C. Rickman, from French Broad Association, was welcomed to a seat in the body.

Rev. A. H. Sims read the report on Periodicals. Spoken to by A. H. Sims, G. N. Cowen, A. B. Thomas, and adopted.

REPORT ON PERIODICALS.

We, your Committee, beg leave to submit the following: We realize as never before the importance of placing into the hands and homes of our people the very best religious literature. Life and character is to a great extent shaped by what the people read. The times demand that we look well to the training of our people, especially the young. To this end we most heartily recommend the "Biblical Recorder," the organ of Baptist State Convention. "The Skyland Baptist," published in the interest of the Mountain work. "The Foreign Mission Journal", "Charity and Children" and the "Home Field."

H. H. SIMS, } Committee.
D. H. PHILLIPPS, }

Report on Education read and discussed by Prof. Z. J. Edge, Rev. G. N. Cowen.

Song, "Come Thou Fount of Every Blessing." Discussion continued by Rev. A. B. Thomas.

Collection for Sylva Institute, \$24.00. Pledges for Sylva Institute, \$123.75.

Doxology. Adjourned. Benediction by Rev. A. J. Kelley.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

The Association reassembled. Song, "Wonderful Love." Prayer by Lee Rickman.

Preaching Committee announced that Rev. G. N. Cowen will preach at 10:00 a. m., and Rev. A. E. Brown at 11:00 a. m. to-morrow.

Motion that the following article be added to the Constitution of the Tuckaseige Association, was carried:

ARTICLE XI.

The Association shall appoint a Board of Trustees for the Tuckaseige Sylva Collegiate Institute, consisting of twenty one members. The first seven to serve one year, the second seven to serve two years, the third seven to serve three years. These trustees are empowered to receive and hold school property for the Association; to select teachers, and such other matters as may be necessary to the educational interest of the Association.

The following Trustees were appointed: 1st. R. F. Jarrett, H. C. Cowen, A. B. Thomas, Thad. C. Bryson, B. C. Grindstaff, A. W. Farmer, D. H. Phillipps. 2nd. W. E. Conner, H. D. Welch, L. D. Cowen, W. O. Buchanan, W. A. Fowler, W. A. Henson, T. C. Bryson. 3rd. J. M. Carpenter, W. L. Bradley, J. D. Stiles, E. H. Franks, Elex Moore, L. A. Allen, P. C. Wild.

Moved to appoint committee to dispose of the "Holly Springs" property. Motion lost.

Report on Education adopted.

REPORT ON EDUCATION.

The Baptists have long since realized the importance of educating her people for greater usefulness in life. But we do not believe in large appropriations for higher education by the State, which hinders primary education by giving us shorter public schools. We believe in making our higher institutions self supporting by endowment. Wake Forest College and the Female University are both monuments of honor to the whole Baptist Denomination. The University opened last year—her first year—with over two hundred students, and the work at Wake Forest was better last year than any year in her history. Eternity alone can tell what these institutions have done and what they are destined to do. We are also glad to note the increased interest in Christian Education in our Mountain Section. The harvest is great, but laborers are few. We earnestly pray for more laborers. Our Baptist people have already established schools in our Mountain Section. It has been a great sacrifice to establish them, but a great work always calls for great sacrifice. Even the word "Baptist" is a synonym for sacrifice. Our school at Sylva has opened with about seventy-five on the roll. The outlook is that we shall have two hundred or even more before the end of the term. The new building will be completed, we hope, at an early date. The building will cost at least \$4,500. We are in great need of it. Let us strive to do our part and leave the result with God. Let us heed the message of the lowly Nazarene, when he said, "In as much as ye did it unto one of the least of these, my brethren, ye did it unto me." The way may seem dark, but behind the dark clouds God hides a smiling face. We have also realized the necessity of an educated ministry. For to a great extent our people are what our Ministers are. As time with its great problems change we must be able to meet the needs. At Tuckaseige Sylva Collegiate Institute, we have a course which will be of help to those expecting to enter the ministry. If the Ministers are to lift up the people under God, they must be informed. If the Baptists would carry our mountain section for God, it must be to a great extent through our schools. We earnestly pray God's blessing upon them.

Z. J. EDGE, } Committee.
J. M. CARPENTER, }

Report on Foreign Missions read and spoken to by Rev. W. R. Rickman, Rev. Lee Rickman, Rev. A. H. Sims.

REPORT ON FOREIGN MISSIONS.

The Southern Baptist Convention is doing Foreign Mission work in the following countries: China, Africa, Japan, Italy, Mexico and Brazil. We are supporting 94 Missionaries and 133 native helpers. Our Missionaries have established 113 churches, and their membership at present numbers 6,537. During last year there was special prayers for a thousand conversions in our Foreign Mission fields. At our late Southern Baptist Convention there was great joy at the

announcement of 1,341 received by baptism. Last year North Carolina gave \$930.01 to Foreign Missions. Next year we will try to increase this offering to \$13,000. Last year the offering of our Association for Foreign Missions was \$42.52; this year we have paid \$53.50. Last year one church gave nearly one fourth of the amount raised, and this year this same church gave nearly one-half of our Foreign Mission offering. Almost any church in this Association can do as well when we compare their membership and financial strength. We are under special obligations to bring larger gifts into the Lord's treasury to spread the gospel in regions beyond. Since God has called from our mountain land Rev. Jesse C. Owen, who is now at work in China, our hearts are made sad because of the China troubles, but let us do our part, looking to God for results.

W. R. RICKMAN, }
D. H. ASHE. } Committee.

Report on Temperance read and discussed by Rev. W. E. Conner, Rev. A. J. Kelly, Rev. Lee Rickman, Rev. A. B. Thomas.
Report adopted.

TEMPERANCE REPORT.

We, your Committee on Temperance report the following: Intemperance is the great curse of our land, and carries its blighting influence into the church. Nothing less than absolute prohibition in the church and in our nation will reach the standard set fourth in the Bible. We recommend that all the churches contend for this standard, and we request that this Association and all the pastors urge this great question upon their churches.

W. E. CONNER, }
M. L. RICKMAN, } Committee.

Report on Obituaries read and adopted.

OBITUARIES.

1st District—Deaths, Brethren E. G. Hyatt, Jas. J. Norman, A. C. Calhoun, Montavil Haskett. Sisters, H. E. Beck, and Mary Hall.
2nd District—Brethren, Jas. B. Dalton, Ulric Keener, T. A. Williams, Arthur Caden, W. J. Grist, Jessie Griggs, John Tallent, Michael Long, Lonna Long, David Carpenter, T. S. Potts, John D. Tanner. Sisters, Joanna Palmer, Jane Blaine, Margaret Clampet, Margaret Carpenter, Carolina Higdon, Alice Potts, Sarah Cloer, Jane Mason, Elizabeth McGaha.

J. L. OWEN, }
E. G. CRAWFORD, } Committee.

Report on State of Churches read and adopted.

REPORT ON STATE OF CHURCHES.

The past year shows an increase of 31, making our present membership 3,924. Wolf Creek and Caney Fork are not included in this number. The letters show a decrease of the membership in our Sunday Schools. There must be an awakening of interest in

our Sunday Schools, or the Lord will hold us responsible for neglect along this line of work in His vinyard. We are glad to report a good increase in our offerings to the Lord. 173 have been added to our church by baptism, and many of our churches have enjoyed seasons of revival. Let us go home and tell our friends what great things the Lord hath done for us in this Association, and attempt greater things for the Lord.

JOHN E. RICKMAN, }
M. R. PHILLIPPS, } Committee.

Fianance report read and adopted (see Financial table).

On motion, the treasurer was given until after the collection to-morrow to report.

On motion, Rev. A. B. Thomas was re-elected Historian.

Adjourned to meet at 9 a. m. to-morrow.

Benedictibn by G. N. Cowen.

FOURTH DAY, August 19.

The Association met at 9 a. m. Song, "Amazing Grace." Devotional exercises, conducted by Rev. T. D. Watson. The Moderator announced the Association in order for business. Minutes of the previous day read and approved. Voted that the Clerk superintend the printing and distribution of minutes, and that he shall have \$5.00 for his work.

The following resolution was read and adopted: Resolved that we, as delegates and visitors of the Tuckaseige Association tender our thanks to the Head of Tenn. church and community for their hospitality and kindness, W. R. Rickman.

Motion, that the collection to-day be taken for State Missions, carried.

After singing "Jesus Lover of My Soul," and prayer by Rev. A. H. Sims, Rev. G. N. Cowen delivered the 10:00 o'clock sermon. Text, Hebrews 2:3.

Song, "There's a Land That is Fairer Than Day." Prayer by Rev. A. B. Thomas. Rev. A. E. Brown delivered the 11:00 o'clock sermon, Text, Ephesians 2: 4-7. Prayer by Rev. J. L. Owen. Both sermons were deep in thought, and sympathetic in expressions. Thank God for such men.

Collection for State Missions \$9.17.

On motion, Rev. A. H. Sims was re-appointed member of the State Mission Board. Rev. A. B. Thomas was appointed delegate to the Southren Baptist Convention, R. M. Ledford, aternate.

Bro. A. G. Dillard was re-elected Treasurer.

Treasurer's report read and adopted.

TREASURER'S REPORT.

For Mills Memorial Building,.....	\$ 7.56
Orphanage,.....	14.73
Home and State Missions,.....	12.62
Foreign Missions.....	6.02
Sylva School,.....	25.50
Minute Fund,.....	23.54
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Total,	\$89.97

On motion, the following delegates were appointed to the State Convention: Revs. A. H. Sims, A. B. Thomas, Z. J. Edge, H. D. Welch, W. E. Conner, W. L. Bradley, Bros. L. A. Allen, R. M. Ledford and T. C. Bryson.

On motion, adjourned, to time and place. Song, "How Firm A Foundation." Prayer of dismissal by Rev. Lee Rickman.

T. C. BRYSON, Mod.

R. M. LEDFORD, Clerk.



FIRST AND SECOND DISTRICTS.

CHURCHES.	SUPERINTENDENTS.	POST OFFICES.
1 Barker's Creek	T. C. Jones	
2 Balsam Grove		
3 Cullowhee		
4 Caney Fork		Dillsboro, N. C.
5 Dillsboro	R. F. Jarrett	
6 East Fork		
7 Hamburg		
8 John's Creek		
9 Locust Field		
10 Mt. Pleasant		
11 Ochre Hill		
12 Scott's Creek	W. B. Henry, J. L. Fisher	
13 Shoal Creek		Dillsboro, N. C.
14 Savannah	G. W. Green	Sylva,
15 Sylva	J. W. Kesterson	
16 Webster	Baxter Rogers	
17 Wilmot		
18 Wolf Creek		
19 Yellow Mountain		Dillsboro, N. C.
20 Zion Hill	I. D. Woodard	
1 Burningtown		West's Mills, "
2 Brush Creek	R. R. Rickman	Wickle's Store, "
3 Cowee	B. H. Carpenter	Nonah, "
4 Coweta	J. A. Corpening	
5 Cartoogechaye		
6 Clear Creek		Ellijay, "
7 Ellijay	Alex. Moore	
8 Franklin		Scaly, "
9 Middle Creek	R. L. Long	Raburn Gap, Ga.
10 Head of Tenn.	D. W. Rickman, M. R. Brooks	Highlands, N. C.
11 Highlands	J. N. Arnold	Leatherman, "
12 Liberty	J. M. Mason	
13 Mt. Hope	E. G. Crawford	Ellijay, "
14 Mountain Grove	W. A. Wilson	Etna, "
15 Oak Grove	J. L. Burchfield	Burningtown, "
16 Oak Dale	Thomas Ledford	Franklin, "
17 Pleasant Hill	J. M. Griggs, J. M. Farmer	Cullasaja, "
18 Pine Grove	T. J. Vinson	Higdonville, "
19 Sugar Fork	J. C. M. Bolick	Otto, "
20 Tesenta	W. T. Long	Franklin, "
21 Watauga	J. T. Young	
SECOND DISTRICT.		TOTAL
FIRST DISTRICT.		TOTAL
		GRAND TOTAL

SUNDAY SCHOOL REPORT.

Number.	Number of Sun. Schools.	Teachers and Officers.	Number of Pupils.	Average Attendance.	Collections for Sun. Schools.	Collections for Missions.	Collections for Education.	Collections for Orphanage.	Collections for other purposes.
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FIRST AND SECOND DISTRICTS.

CHURCHES.	CLERKS..	POST OFFICES.
1 Balsam Grove	A. D. Jones	Painter, N. C.
2 Barker's Creek	W. L. Henson	
3 Cullowhee		
4 Caney Fork	W. D. Monteith	Dillsboro, N. C.
5 Dillsboro		
6 East Fork		
7 Hamburg	W. J. Parker	Cowarts " "
8 John's Creek	G. W. Pangle	Dillsboro, " "
9 Locust Field	W. R. Bryson	Alice, " "
10 Mt. Pleasant	W. H. T. Dillard	Scott's Creek, " "
11 Ochre Hill	A. L. Ensley	Beta, " "
12 Scott's Creek	G. W. Green	Quallatown, " "
13 Shoal Creek	E. C. Ashe	Dillsboro, " "
14 Savannah	A. J. Dills	Sylva, " "
15 Sylva		
16 Sol's Creek	W. L. Cowen	Webster, " "
17 Webster		
18 Wolf Creek		
19 Yellow Mountain	W. T. Crisp	Dillsboro, N. C.
20 Zion Hill		
1 Burningtown	J. B. Younce	Parrish, N. C.
2 Brush Creek		
3 Briartown	B. H. Carpenter	Wickle's Store, " "
4 Coweta	T. C. Bryson	West's Mills, " "
5 Cowee	H. H. Dills	Roan's Mills, " "
6 Cartoogechaye	E. Chastain	Highlands, " "
7 Clear Creek	W. T. Potts	Highlands, " "
8 Highlands	J. E. Rickman	Leatherman, " "
9 Liberty	Alex. Moore	Ellijay, " "
10 Ellijay	G. W. Grist	Dillard, Ga.
11 Head of Tenn.	W. N. Allman	Franklin, N. C.
12 Franklin	J. J. Blain	Franklin, " "
13 Mt. Hope	W. H. Hasket	Ellijay, " "
14 Mountain Grove	L. H. Garland	Scaly, " "
15 Middle Creek	A. L. Tippett	Burningtown, " "
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17 Oak Grove	T. C. Dills	Cullasaja, " "
18 Pleasant Hill	J. M. Griggs	Franklin, " "
19 Pine Grove	R. H. Rogers	Otto, " "
20 Tesenta	T. R. Arnold	Higdonville, " "
21 Sngar Fork	J. B. Elmore	Franklin, " "
22 Watauga		
SECOND DISTRICT.		TOTAL
FIRST DISTRICT.		TOTAL
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FINANCIAL REPORT.

Number.	Pastor's Salary.	Value of Church Prop.	Paid for Ch. Building.	Education.	State Missions.	Home Missions.	Foreign Missions.	Orphanage.	Minutes.	Other Objects.
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