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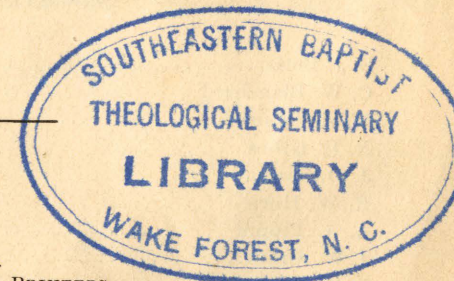
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ORDER OF BUSINESS OF THE SECOND ANNUAL SESSION OF THE JOHNSTON COUNTY BAPTIST ASSOCIATION,

HELD AT CLAYTON, N. C., NOVEMBER 10TH TO 13TH, 1904.

THURSDAY.

11:00 A. M.—Introductory Sermon.
 2:00 P. M.—Organization.
 Aged Ministers' Relief.
 7:00 P. M.—Home Missions.
 Miscellaneous.

FRIDAY.

9:30 A. M.—Devotional Services.
 10:00 A. M.—Report of Executive Committee.
 11:00 A. M.—State Missions.
 2:00 P. M.—Orphanage.
 Woman's Work.
 7:00 P. M.—Foreign Missions.
 Miscellaneous.

SATURDAY.

9:30 A. M.—Devotional Services.
 Miscellaneous.
 11:00 A. M.—Education—Ministerial and General.
 2:00 P. M.—Periodicals.
 3:00 P. M.—Sunday Schools.
 7:00 P. M.—Temperance.
 Miscellaneous.

SUNDAY.

10:00 A. M.—Sunday School Mass Meeting.
 11:00 A. M.—Sermon.
 Farewell.

Meeting of Woman's Central Committee will be arranged for Thursday at 2:00 P. M.

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 Woman's Work.....A. A. Pippin.

LIST OF MESSENGERS.

Antioch—R. R. Creech, J. H. Hales, W. H. Maden, Oscar Creech and J. A. Eason.

Baptist Centre—J. C. Hardee and H. A. Jones.

Benson—J. L. Hall, J. H. Boon, Alonzo Parrish and J. P. Canaday.

Bethany—E. Creech, C. W. Creech and W. R. Hodge.

Bethel—J. A. Gulley and W. T. Sullivan.

Bethesda—G. A. Smith, Pressie Mathis and M. Johnson.

Blackman's Grove—Ernest Grice, W. B. Creech, Adkin Wood and J. M. Blackman.

Carter's Chapel—H. R. Eason and Theo. Eason.

Clayton—C. W. Carter, M. G. Gulley and Robert Boon.

Clyde's Chapel—W. T. Allen, H. V. Bunch, J. H. Nowell, J. W. Finch and Thad. E. Hinnant.

Corinth—J. A. Estridge, R. L. Hocutt, A. B. Lowry, A. D. Atkinson and E. C. Whitley.

Four Oaks—J. William Langdon.

Hood's Grove—Joseph W. Wood and Y. L. Blackman.

Lee's Chapel—A. A. Creech and J. M. Driver.

Live Oak—W. M. Eason.

Micro—David Pace, D. C. Smith, L. L. Creech and Charlie Batten.

Mount Moriah—Gaston Jones, J. M. Baucom and J. F. Pool.

New Bethel—J. N. Bryan.

Nobles' Chapel—J. R. Todd and James Mecome.

Oliver's Grove—Not represented.

Parish Memorial—J. F. Watson.

Pauline—W. B. Joyner, D. E. R. Evans and N. W. Smith.

Pine Level—Not represented.

Pisgah—J. W. Jones, Cleveland Johnson and R. H. Higgins.

Princeton—Oscar Mazingo and W. C. Massey.

Sardis—G. M. Phillips.

Selma—C. W. Richardson, N. R. Batten and M. C. Winston.

Shiloh—C. H. Holland, F. T. Booker, D. N. Lee and C. J. Coats.

Smithfield—J. M. Beaty, J. D. Underwood, J. A. Underhill, Jr., and T. J. Lassiter.

Thanksgiving—W. Y. Wood, John Lynch and Marshal Murphrey.

Trinity—Arthur H. Lee and N. L. Morgan.

White Oak—A. L. Batten, J. B. Oneal and R. H. Biggs.

Wilson's Mills—J. T. Holt, Dempsey Vinson, S. D. West and J. A. Wall.

Missionary—R. W. Horrell, Selma, N. C.

PROCEEDINGS.

CLAYTON, N. C., November 10, 1904.

The second annual session of the Johnston County Baptist Association convened with Clayton Baptist Church this morning with devotional services conducted by Bro. A. A. Pippin who read Psalm 19.

The Introductory Sermon was preached by Bro. J. W. Suttle from Jonah 3:1-3. Subject: Personal Responsibility. Prayer by Bro. G. W. Fisher, Pastor Clayton M. E. Church.

The Association was welcomed to Clayton by Pastor Blanchard, after which the body adjourned with benediction by Bro. Suttle.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

The Association opened at 2 o'clock with prayer by Bro. Worley Creech. After the body had been called to order by the Moderator, Bro. R. H. Gower, Bro. C. W. Blanchard made a motion that the reading of the Church letters be dispensed with and that a committee on credentials be appointed for the purpose of enrolling the delegates. The motion prevailed and the Moderator appointed the following brethren: J. L. Hall, of Benson; and J. M. Baucom, of Mount Moriah.

Brethren C. H. Holland, J. T. Holt and Oscar Mazingo were appointed Finance Committee.

The following officers were elected for the ensuing year:

Moderator—R. H. Gower.
Vice-Moderator—J. P. Canaday.
Clerk—T. J. Lassiter.
Treasurer—C. W. Richardson.
Historian—C. W. Blanchard.

Brethren J. W. Suttle, A. A. Pippin and R. W. Horrell were appointed a committee on Petitionary Letters.

The following brethren were recognized and welcomed to the Association: J. S. Farmer, representative of the *Biblical Recorder*; W. G. Hall, of the Beulah Association; G. W. Fisher, pastor of the Clayton M. E. Church; B. W. Spilman, Sunday School Secretary of the Southern Baptist Convention; D. D. Edwards, of the Raleigh Association.

Upon motion of Bro. C. W. Blanchard the subject of Ministerial Education was taken up and discussed. In the absence of a report the subject was discussed by Brethren J. S. Farmer, C. W. Carter and C. W. Blanchard, after which pledges were taken. (See table of pledges for 1905.)

The Committee on Petitionary Letters submitted the following report:

Your committee beg leave to report that Micro, Bethel and Pauline, newly organized Baptist churches, have petitioned for membership with our Association. After having heard from them we are satisfied that they were duly organized into Missionary Baptist Churches. Your committee recommend that they be received.

J. W. SUTTLE,
R. W. HORRELL,
A. A. PIPPIN,
Committee.

Upon motion to adopt, the report was discussed by Brethren J. M. Beaty, C. W. Knight, Worley Creech and R. W. Horrell. The report was adopted and the Moderator welcomed the delegates from the new churches.

The following committee was announced: Home Missions—C. E. Gower, R. W. Horrell and B. W. Spilman.

Adjourned to meet again at 7:30. Benediction by Bro. D. D. Edwards.

NIGHT SESSION.

The Association met at 7:30. Devotional services were conducted by Bro. A. A. Pippin.

The following brethren were recognized and welcomed: S. F. Conrad, Field Editor *North Carolina Baptist*; Archibald Johnson, Editor *Charity and Children*, representing the Thomasville Orphanage; Livingston Johnson, Corresponding Secretary Baptist State Convention; B. Townsend, of the Little River Association; R. T. Vann, President Baptist University for Women.

The regular order was then taken up and Bro. C. E. Gower read the

REPORT ON HOME MISSIONS.

When we come to think, speak or write of the work of Home Missions on the Southern Baptist Convention we are overwhelmed with the magnitude of the work and the subject. The nation has just passed through a great Presidential election in which no little time, labor and money have been expended "to save our dear country." We do not minimize the value of public office, parties and platforms when we say that we more CONFIDENTLY look to our dear brother, the genial, consecrated B. D. Gray, and the great Baptist hosts with the eternal truth of God as their platform. This kind of work is patriotic, as well as Christian, and ought to appeal to every good citizen.

Some of the Indians are still among us and to them we undoubtedly owe something. The Negroes are very much among us and it is a great problem to decide what to do for them and do it. Foreigners from almost everywhere—nearly one million last year—are coming, bringing all sorts of ideas and religions—coming to be blessed or to be a curse. They must have the civilizing and saving influences of the Gospel. They, with the millions unsaved of our own native population, in the mines, in the mills,

in the mountains, on the frontier, in many of our largest cities, in so many places, must be reached, if reached at all, by our Home Mission work.

Last, but not least, Cuba lies down yonder with outstretched wounded arms; with open, bleeding mouth, crying to us for the bread of life. Will we deny her? She has had internal disorders, but they are rapidly healing now, and Bro. Daniel is pleading earnestly for help to secure lots and erect houses of worship while we can. Will we heed the call? The establishment of one Missionary church means not only a benediction to that locality, but its development means held "unto the uttermost part of the earth" in geometrical progression. If the Home field is neglected the Foreign field suffers too. Independent Baptist churches are dependent "to the ends of the earth."

The last report of Treasurer Dunson to the Convention shows \$136,540.68 as "total receipts," besides the boxes sent by noble women not a few. If you wish to see the wise expenditure and great profits, refer to the minutes of the Southern Baptist Convention. The work is spreading. Will you enlarge?

CLAUDE E. GOWER,
R. W. HORRELL,
B. W. SPILMAN,
Committee.

After discussion by Brethren Gower and Spilman, pledges were taken and the report was adopted.

The following committees were announced:

State Mission—J. M. Beaty, R. R. Creech and David Pace.
Foreign Missions—C. W. Blanchard, Joseph W. Wood and J. F. Watson.
Orphanage—C. W. Carter, J. D. Underwood and J. M. Baucom.
Education—J. P. Canaday, C. W. Richardson and W. B. Creech.
Periodicals—J. W. Suttle, J. C. Hardee and A. A. Creech.
Temperance—M. C. Winston, Worley Creech and D. C. Smith.
Sunday Schools—N. R. Pool, W. B. Joyner and Y. L. Blackman.
Woman's Work—A. A. Pippin, E. Creech and W. M. Eason.
Time, Place and Preachers for Next Year—C. W. Carter, M. G. Gulley and W. T. Allen.

Devotional Exercises—Pastor and Deacons of Clayton Church.

On motion of Bro. Blanchard the Moderator was instructed to appoint a committee to digest the church letters.

Adjourned.

FRIDAY MORNING.

The Association met at 9:30. Devotional exercises were conducted by Bro. B. Townsend. Prayer by Bro. S. F. Conrad.

The Association was called to order by Moderator Gower. The minutes of the previous day read, corrected and approved.

The roll was called and new delegates enrolled.

The following committee on Digest of Church Letters was announced: C. W. Blanchard, C. W. Knight and B. Townsend.

The following visiting brethren were recognized and welcomed: John E. Ray, Moderator of the Central Association; S. J. Betts, of the Raleigh Association.

Brother J. M. Beaty, chairman, read the report of the Executive committee.

REPORT OF THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE.

We are glad to report a prosperous year of mission work. We engaged with Bro. J. D. Bowen to move to Four Oaks and preach there and at Oliver's Grove, Trinity, Sardis and Pine Level churches. He preached also at three new mission points. At Spilona School House and Johnson School House he had good congregations and we believe planted seed which will bear good fruit. At Massey's School House he organized a church of twenty-one members. He began March 1st and left us November 1st to attend Louisville Seminary.

Bro. A. A. Pippin served as pastor at White Oak and Corinth churches. Several additions were made to each of these churches and he thinks they will be self-supporting after one more year.

Bro. J. W. Suttle served as pastor at Pisgah, Blackman's Grove and Hood's Grove Churches. Satisfactory progress was made and prospects are bright for the next year's work.

Bro. R. W. Horrell preached at Wilson's Mills, Thanksgiving, Carter's Chapel, Parish Memorial, Micro, Princeton, Woodard School House, Nobles' Chapel and at Mr. J. T. Revel's, a point near Kenly. Good work has been done at all the points, and new churches were organized at the point near Kenly and at Micro.

New places are asking for preaching and owing to the largeness of the work already started we shall be compelled to secure the services of one more man. This calls for increased contributions and we recommend that the Association raise at least nine hundred dollars for the coming year and ask the State Board for three hundred and fifty dollars additional.

J. M. BEATY,
M. C. WINSTON,
J. T. HOLT,
J. H. BOON,
JOSEPH POOL,
Executive Committee.

After discussion by Brethren J. M. Beaty and R. W. Horrell, the report was adopted.

Brother J. M. Beaty read the

REPORT ON STATE MISSIONS.

We greatly rejoice in the fruit our State Mission work has borne. If all our people but knew the wonderful things this work has accomplished, surely they would enthusiastically arise to meet every demand for enlargement which the present situation requires at our hand.

In 1860 there were but five self-supporting churches in the State. At this same date most of the towns along the railroads running through our State were without a single Baptist church and many of them without any Baptist preaching. Now there is scarcely one of these towns without a Baptist church, and in some of them you will find our very strongest and best churches. But this is only a small part of what has been done. The Messenger of the Cross, sustained by our Board of Missions, has pressed his way into the solitary place and destitute field far away from the centers of activity. The fact is State Missions has been, is, and must ever be the base of supply in all our denominational work. Wake Forest College, the Baptist University for Women, the Baptist Orphanage are the legitimate outcome of State Mission work.

Yet we are safe in saying, at least one-third of the adult population of our State are not Christians. The commission of our Lord makes it binding upon us to give these the Gospel. But this is not all. Heretofore the stream of foreign immigration has gone into the States north and west. But now the tide is turning southward. The vast resources of North Carolina and the rapid development of the same means that she will receive

her full share of the comers. For the sake of these people themselves, for our own sake, for the sake of Christ, we must give them the Gospel.

Again the Home Mission Board is saying to North Carolina, "Enlarge—give us \$12,000." The Foreign Mission Board is saying to North Carolina, "Enlarge—give us \$20,000." To do this we must enlarge our State work. Enlargement at home means enlargement all along the line. It is not a question as to whether we ought to enlarge our State Mission work, or as to whether we are able to do it, but a question of willingness on our part. The responsibility is upon us. May God help us to meet it.

J. M. BEATY,
For the Committee.

Upon motion to adopt the subject was discussed by Brethren Livingston Johnson, John E. Ray and J. M. Beaty. Pledges were taken and the report adopted.

Bro. R. T. Vann, President of the Baptist University for Women, was recognized and given fifteen minutes to speak of the College and its work.

Brother J. M. Broughton, Corresponding Messenger from the Raleigh Association being recognized, announced that he brought fraternal greetings from the mother Association.

Brother F. P. Hobgood, President of Oxford Seminary, and J. B. Carlyle, of Wake Forest College, were recognized and made short talks concerning their respective colleges and their work.

On motion of Bro. J. W. Suttle the present Executive Committee was re-elected.

The Association adjourned to meet at 2:30. Benediction by Bro. S. J. Betts.

FRIDAY AFTERNOON.

The Association re-assembled at 2:30. Prayer by Brother D. D. Edwards.

The regular order was taken up and Brother Archibald Johnson read the

REPORT ON THE ORPHANAGE.

What the Orphanage Is.

It is a country home for helpless and homeless children. Its plant is worth \$150,000 which includes a bequest of \$100,000 from the late Dennis Simmons. It owns a farm of 300 acres and runs a printing office, a wood shop, and a shoe shop. There are eight families and an additional cottage is in process of erection. A good graded school, a live church and Sunday school supply the mental and moral wants of the children. The cost of maintaining a child is \$5.00 a month and this covers all the necessary expenses of the institution. At this time there is a distressing scourge of typhoid fever at the Orphanage. There have been upwards of 80 cases but only two have died.

What the Orphanage Does.

It gives our people a larger faith in God. Who can think of its twenty years of marvellous history and not see the hand of a loving Father gently guiding it through all the way?

It calls out our sympathy and tenderness and develops the noblest qualities of our nature. It has sweetened and toned all our denominational life.

It exhibits the very spirit of Christ and draws us close to Him.

It offers a glorious opportunity to develop our people in the grace of giving.

C. W. CARTER,
A. JOHNSON,
J. M. BAUCOM,
Committee.

After the report had been discussed by Brethren C. W. Carter and Archibald Johnson pledges were taken and report adopted.

On motion of Bro. Blanchard it was ordered that where a church is not represented its pledges for the several objects be put down the same amount as the previous year.

Brother R. W. Horrell in the absence of Brother Pippin read the

REPORT ON WOMAN'S WORK.

Committee on woman's work, desire to submit the following report: The following amounts have been raised for the various objects of the convention:

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| State Missions | \$ 93 24 |
| Home Missions | 137 54 |
| Foreign Missions | 94 00 |

Total\$ 324 78.

Number of Societies in the Association six. These societies have set the mark for 1905 at \$500.

We are glad that the time has come, when the work of our good women is reported in the minutes of our Associations. The Christian women of the early church were very numerous, and the names of a great many of them are honorably mentioned in the New Testament. Some of them are known simply by their heroic deeds of love and fidelity, which entitle them to an everlasting remembrance wherever the gospel is preached. We cannot forget the "Woman of Samaria," who led the way for "the missionary work among the Samaritans, as the herald of Christ the Messiah; and the woman who touched the hem of his garment; and the exemplary Christian giver, the widow of the two mites; the Syrophenician woman; the lamenting women on their way to Calvary, and the prayerful women of the upper chamber in Jerusalem. This incomplete list shows that the Christian woman exerted a powerful influence in the Church of the New Testament, and we have no account that she ever betrayed, denied, or doubted her Lord and Savior.

We would recommend that woman develop all her talents and assert her own individuality in her own gentle way. We appreciate the grand work of woman in the Home and Foreign Missions. We rejoice to see her self-sacrificing love and devotion in the various organizations of church services. Her living personality and influence is specially felt in the religious training of the young. Woman is always the queen of the home. In this little kingdom she reigns supreme; and in this sphere she can rule the world through her powerful influence over the children. Here she can by personal contact with them sow the seed of spiritual truths in their young hearts that will spring up into everlasting life; and the children soon respond to the charming influence of Christian women. If all the women of our churches would concentrate their energies, like Hannah, to train the young at home and in the sanctuary, how many more Samuels and less prodigal sons there would be in the world. The Christian women of to-day are specially called of God to sympathize with their less fortunate sisters,

to reclaim the fallen, to strengthen and encourage the weak, to nurse the sick, to clothe the naked, and to bring them all into the kingdom. The best qualification for such service is a woman's heart filled with the love of Christ for the dying world. Let our Christian women employ all their talents, use to the full extent all her opportunities, looking always unto Jesus for strength, encouragement, and inspiration, who will reward each one according to her work.

A. A. PIPPIN,
W. M. EASON,
E. CREECH,
Committee.

Talks were made by Brethren R. W. Horrell and J. B. Carlyle and the report adopted.

The brethren from Pauline asked for help in building their new house of worship and a collection amounting to \$10.00 was taken.

Brother F. P. Hobgood was given a few minutes to speak of his school.

The following committee to nominate delegates to Southern Baptist Convention and Baptist State Convention was announced: G. A. Smith, J. A. Estridge and J. H. Boon.

Brother J. L. Hall was granted leave of absence.

Adjournment. Benediction by Brother Livingston Johnson.

FRIDAY NIGHT.

Association opened by singing hymn No. 567. Prayer by Bro. B. W. Spilman.

Brother Worley Creech conducted the devotional exercises, reading some verses from the third chapter of Matthew. Prayer by Brethren J. T. Holt and Livingston Johnson.

The regular order was taken up and Brother Livingston Johnson read the

REPORT ON FOREIGN MISSIONS.

Just at this time in our history the subject of Foreign Missions is securing the attention of the world as never before. Several things are conspiring to bring Foreign Missions prominently before the Christian world.

1. God is preparing the world to receive the gospel. The war with Cuba changed the map of the world. While that war was waged primarily to give Cuba its freedom it was very much more far reaching in its results than that. It broke the Iron grasp of Spain, the great standard of Romanism. Whatever may be our opinions about the wisdom of our government's policy in the Philippines, the Christian people must see in it the overruling power of God in opening a door to that dark corner of the earth.

We can but believe that God is guiding affairs in the far East for His glory and the advancement of His kingdom. Should Japan be victorious in the struggle with Russia, it will mean a religious freedom in the Orient never before enjoyed. These things mean the opening of doors of opportunity.

2. The churches at home are interested in Foreign Missions as perhaps they have never been before. The contributions are being enlarged and earnest prayers are being offered for world wide evangelization. Young



men and women are asking to be sent as Missionaries. The last session of the Southern Baptist Convention was made notable by the discussion of Foreign Missions. At the close of the discussion scores of young men expressed a desire to go to the foreign field. A resolution was passed instructing the Board to send out fifty new missionaries this year. Twenty-three have already been sent and others have been approved by the Board. The Board expects to send out the full number by the next meeting of the Southern Baptist Convention.

3. The cause is making gratifying progress in foreign lands. Prejudice is giving way, and the Missionary is receiving a welcome never before accorded him. Our missionaries reported a larger number of conversions last year than in any previous year. Surely God is commanding us in thunder tones to go forward.

L. JOHNSON,
For the Committee.

Upon motion to adopt the report was discussed by Brethren L. Johnson and C. W. Blanchard. Pledges were taken and the report adopted.

Brother J. B. Carlyle was given fifteen minutes to tell of the work of Wake Forest College.

Adjourned to meet to-morrow morning at 9:30.

Benediction by Brother S. F. Conrad.

SATURDAY MORNING.

The Association met at 10 o'clock. Devotional exercises were conducted by Brother R. W. Horrell, reading Romans 8. Prayer by Brother Hight C. Moore.

Roll called and new members enrolled.

Minutes of yesterday read and approved.

Brother Hight C. Moore, Field Secretary of Sunday Schools, Baptist State Convention, was recognized and welcomed.

Under the head of Miscellaneous matters remarks were made by Brethren Joseph W. Wood, J. W. Suttle, W. B. Joyner, C. W. Blanchard and R. W. Horrell.

Brother Joseph W. Wood was granted leave of absence.

On motion of Brother J. W. Suttle, Brother C. W. Blanchard was re-elected a member of State Board of Missions.

On motion of C. W. Blanchard the churches of the Johnston county Association were requested to send all their contributions for State Missions, and that object only, to the Treasurer of the Association, C. W. Richardson, Selma, N. C., that they may be at once used in paying local missionaries.

Brother C. T. Tew, of the Eastern Association and E. L. Middleton, Moderator of the Raleigh Association, were recognized and welcomed.

Brother J. P. Canaday read the

REPORT ON EDUCATION.

Civilization is measured by intelligence; progress by improved educational facilities. No man can come into recognition of the possibilities of life who fails to equip himself with the very best mental, moral and physical development. This is an age of progress; it is an age of crises. There are specific demands for the best in man from God, State, and Nation.

Our public school system is a part of our civilization. By means of it only can the whole people be reached and uplifted. We recognize with pride that the recent educational awakening in North Carolina has resulted in a four months term of public school in all the districts, in better school buildings, in increased attendance, in a uniform system of better and cheaper books, and in the establishment of rural libraries. Many country districts have voted special tax to increase the term so that with rural mail deliveries these schools become quite the equal of the city graded schools.

We note with gratitude the growth of the high schools, academies and colleges of the State in all lines of educational life, and especially our denominational schools. The only true education is Christian education. It purifies the social life of the individual and the State. It holds the balances of our fast growing civilization at equipoise by higher spiritual life. With upwards of thirty denominational academies as preparatory and with Wake Forest for the higher training of the young men, and the Female University, and the female colleges, Oxford Female Seminary, Chowan Baptist Female Institute for the higher training of the young women the Baptist cause promises much for the future of North Carolina.

The fifty young men at Wake Forest preparing for the ministry should be supported willingly and promptly by our denomination.

Your committee recommends the establishment of a denominational academy in Johnston county.

Respectfully submitted,
J. P. CANADAY.

The report was discussed by Brethren J. P. Canaday, C. W. Blanchard and E. L. Middleton. Pledges were taken and the report adopted.

Association adjourned. Benediction by Bro. H. C. Moore.

SATURDAY AFTERNOON.

Association re-assembled at the appointed hour. Prayer by Bro. C. T. Tew.

The Committee on delegates to the Southern Baptist Convention and Baptist State Convention reported the following:

Delegate to the Southern Baptist Convention—J. W. Suttle, of Smithfield.

Delegates to Baptist State Convention—R. W. Horrell, Selma; A. A. Pippin, Wakefield, and Hezekiah Pool, Mount Moriah.

Brother J. W. Suttle read the following

REPORT ON PERIODICALS.

At no time in the history of our denomination has the necessity for the better training and greater development of our people been so keenly felt as now. Realizing that the religious press is one of the greatest factors in the accomplishment of this end, we would urge that every Baptist

family in the bounds of our Association take and read as much religious literature as possible.

The Biblical Recorder, the organ of our Convention, has stood the test of more than seventy years as the exponent of our Baptist faith and practice in North Carolina. This paper has always been sound as to the distinctive principles of our denomination and as to the best methods of our work. We would urge every family of our Association to take and read the Recorder.

The North Carolina Baptist has, and is doing a great work in our State. We can heartily recommend this paper to all, and urge that all who can, take it. Our people should also take the Foreign Mission Journal and Our Home Field as the organs of our Foreign and Home Mission Boards.

Charity and Children, our great Orphanage paper, ought to be in every home.

As to Sunday School literature we recommend, that our churches use our Convention series, published at Nashville, Tenn.

We desire also to call the attention of the Association to The Church Messenger. We have published this little paper in the interest of the work of our Association, for nearly one year, the paper has not had the support of the churches we had hoped for and expected. Unless more of our people become interested in the paper the publication will have to be discontinued. We recommend that the Association take some action in regard to the paper at this session.

J. W. SUTTLE,
For Committee.

On motion to adopt Brethren J. W. Suttle, C. W. Blanchard, C. W. Carter, F. T. Booker and T. J. Lassiter took part in the discussion. Report adopted.

Bro. F. T. Booker made a motion that a committee of three be appointed to consider what the Association should do in regard to The Church Messenger. Carried.

The following committee was appointed: F. T. Booker, C. W. Carter and J. H. Boon.

This committee submitted the following report:

We, your Committee, recommend that each Pastor in the Association appoint some live young member, boy or girl in each of his churches to take subscriptions for The Church Messenger, and that they shall call attention to the paper from time to time. Also, we recommend that at the meeting of the Association, any deficit that may appear shall be considered a part of the missionary expense of the Association and treated as such.

F. T. BOOKER,
J. H. BOON,
C. W. CARTER,
Committee.

Report adopted.

Brother C. W. Blanchard submitted a few remarks on the history of the Association.

Brother N. R. Pool read the

SUNDAY SCHOOL REPORT.

The most potent factor in the evangelization of the world to-day, and the best medium through which to impart religious and moral instruction is the Sunday School.

This proposition is abundantly proven and sufficiently demonstrated by the fact that more than seventy-five per cent of the accessions to our churches are directly from the Sunday schools, as a result of the faithful

labors of the earnest and consecrated men and women who are striving to obey the Word. Deut. 31:12, 13. "Gather the people together, men and women, and children, and thy stranger that is within thy gates that they may hear, and that they may learn, and fear the Lord your God and observe to do all the words of this law."

"And that their children, which have not known anything, may hear, and learn to fear the Lord your God, as long as ye live in the land whither ye go over Jordan to possess it."

We have not possessed the whole land yet, so let us as faithful followers of the Master, not slacken the pace, but redouble our efforts, until there shall be a live, aggressive and enthusiastic Sunday-school in every church in this Association and even reach out into the destitute sections and organize schools convenient for the people, that they may learn the way of life through the study of His Word.

Therefore your committee suggest that you consider the advisability of employing a competent Sunday school missionary within the bounds of your Association.

N. R. POOL,
W. B. JOYNER,
Y. L. BLACKMAN.

The report was discussed by Brethren Hight C. Moore and N. R. Pool and then adopted.

The following resolution, offered by Brother C. W. Blanchard, was adopted:

Resolved, That we recommend that each Sunday school in the Johnston County Association, take at least one collection during the year for the support of the Sunday School work in North Carolina, and that the same be forwarded to the Treasurer of the State Convention for such purpose.

Brother J. T. Holt read the Finance Committee's report which was accepted.

Committee on Place, Time and Preachers report as follows:

Place—Benson Baptist Church.
Time—Thursday after the First Sunday in November, 1905.
Preachers—Introductory Sermon, C. W. Blanchard. Alternate, R. W. Horrell.

Adjournment. Benediction by Brother Claude E. Gower.

SATURDAY NIGHT.

The Association met at 7:30. Devotional exercises by Brother C. T. Tew, who read Romans 12. Prayer by Brethren Townsend and Blanchard.

Bro. J. Willis, for the committee, read the

REPORT ON TEMPERANCE.

From our experience in the past, we are encouraged in the fight against intemperance. We have found that by constant endeavor we can slay the lion and the bear in the shape of bar-rooms and dispensaries from strength we have gained by our efforts. We are now willing, and will not be satisfied until we have, by Divine help, slain the great giant of intemperance in every form, and recommend that we not only take a stand against it, but meet the evil and drive it from us.

WORLEY CREECH,
For Committee.

On motion to accept the report was discussed by Brethren Worley Creech and C. W. Carter. Adopted.

Brother C. W. Blanchard offered the following resolution:

Resolved 1st, That we believe the Dispensaries of Johnston County have existed as long as we can expect them to serve us as agents of temperance reform.

2nd, That we believe the time has come when every true citizen of the county should use his strongest influence to rid the county of all legalized manufacture and sale of strong drink in every form.

3rd, That we do herein solemnly memorialize the representatives of this county, to the next General Assembly, with the cry of the consciences of three thousand members of the Baptist churches in said County, to use their best influence in the coming session to give us entire relief from the existence of this needless curse in our county.

The resolution was discussed by Brethren C. W. Blanchard, F. T. Booker and C. W. Carter. It was then unanimously adopted by a rising vote.

Upon motion of Brother C. W. Blanchard the Clerk was instructed to have 1,000 copies of the minutes printed and distributed among the churches as per amount of funds contributed for minutes and Clerk, and that he be allowed ten dollars for his services.

Upon motion of Brother F. T. Booker the thanks of the Association was extended to the members of the Clayton church and the people of Clayton and the community in general for their generous hospitality and kindness.

The following announcement was made for Sunday morning:

Sunday School mass meeting beginning at 9:30.

Ten Minutes Talks led by Brethren B. Townsend, C. T. Tew and Worley Creech and Hight C. Moore.

11:30 A. M. Sermon by Bro. Hight C. Moore.

The regular business of the Association being ended Brother Worley Creech sang two solos, after which the congregation sang, "Praise God From Whom All Blessings Flow." Benediction by Brother Hight C. Moore.

Sunday morning was rainy and disagreeable and no Sunday School Mass Meeting was held. Brother Hight C. Moore preached. Subject "Christ's Crucifixion."

TREASURER'S REPORT.

Receipts.

| | |
|--|------------|
| Minute fund at Selma last year..... | \$ 15 35 |
| From Churches prior to meeting of Association..... | 273 67 |
| From Individuals | 97 50 |
| From Bethany Union Meeting..... | 20 65 |
| From R. W. Horrell..... | 2 42 |
| From Princeton Church..... | 3 24 |
| Borrowed from Bank..... | 500 00 |
| From Finance Committee at Clayton..... | 484 87 |
| From Livingston Johnston, Corresponding Secretary..... | 300 00 |
| Total | \$1,697 70 |

Disbursements.

| | |
|------------------------------|------------|
| Paid to T. J. Lassiter | \$ 15 35 |
| Paid Interest to Bank..... | 17 50 |
| Paid R. W. Horrell..... | 247 24 |
| Paid J. W. Suttle..... | 15 00 |
| Paid A. A. Pippin..... | 50 00 |
| Paid J. D. Bowen..... | 249 00 |
| Paid Bank | 500 00 |
| Total amount paid out..... | \$1,094 09 |
| Balance on hand | \$ 603 61 |

WOMAN'S MEETING.

The Woman's Missionary Societies of the Johnston County Association assembled in the Methodist church at Clayton Thursday afternoon at 2 o'clock, presided over by the Vice-President, Mrs. Ashley Horne. Mrs. Shore, of the Clayton Society, in a few well-chosen words, welcomed the delegates and visitors to the meeting.

Reports were received from five Societies. The financial report shows the amount received for the three objects, State, Home and Foreign Missions, \$332.77.

Our aim for next year is five hundred dollars.

We were very much encouraged with the work of the Societies, as this was the first meeting of the new Association.

Miss Heck was with us, and was greeted by a house filled with interested women to hear what this consecrated woman had to say. It was indeed an inspiration to have Miss Heck with us in our meeting.

Altogether we feel hopeful and like pressing forward to more and better work for our Master's cause.

MRS. W. M. PETTWAY,
Secretary.

CHURCH PLEDGES FOR 1905.

| CHURCHES. | State Missions. | Home Missions. | Foreign Missions. | Orph'n'ge | Minister'l Educat'n. | Minister'l Relief. | Total. |
|---------------------|-----------------|----------------|-------------------|-----------|----------------------|--------------------|---------|
| Antioch | \$15 00 | \$1 50 | \$1 50 | \$2 50 | \$1 50 | \$2 00 | \$24 00 |
| Baptist Centre..... | 20 00 | 3 00 | 2 50 | 5 00 | 1 00 | 1 50 | 33 00 |
| Benson..... | 60 00 | 7 50 | 15 00 | 12 50 | 5 00 | 3 00 | 103 00 |
| Bethany..... | 6 00 | 2 00 | 1 25 | 2 25 | 1 25 | 1 25 | 14 00 |
| Bethesda..... | 25 00 | 5 00 | 6 00 | 15 00 | 2 00 | 3 00 | 56 00 |
| Bethel..... | 2 00 | 1 00 | 50 | 1 00 | 1 00 | 1 00 | 6 50 |
| Blackman's Grove. | 15 00 | 3 00 | 5 50 | 6 00 | 2 75 | 2 00 | 24 25 |
| Carter's Chapel.... | 10 00 | 1 50 | 1 25 | 2 00 | 1 00 | 2 00 | 17 75 |
| Clayton..... | 150 00 | 40 00 | 125 00 | 60 00 | 25 00 | 12 50 | 412 50 |
| Clyde's Chapel..... | 6 00 | 2 50 | 3 00 | 3 50 | 2 00 | 2 00 | 19 00 |
| Corinth..... | 7 50 | 2 50 | 3 00 | 3 00 | 1 00 | 2 00 | 19 00 |
| Four Oaks..... | 10 00 | 3 00 | 2 50 | 2 00 | 1 25 | 1 25 | 20 00 |
| Hood's Grove..... | 7 00 | 1 25 | 2 00 | 1 00 | 2 00 | 1 50 | 14 75 |
| Lee's Chapel..... | 30 00 | 5 00 | 3 00 | 2 00 | 1 50 | 3 00 | 44 50 |
| Live Oak..... | 4 00 | 1 00 | 1 00 | 2 00 | 1 00 | 2 00 | 11 00 |
| Micro..... | 2 00 | 50 | 50 | 1 00 | 50 | 1 00 | 5 50 |
| Mount Moriah..... | 50 00 | 12 00 | 100 00 | 20 00 | 5 00 | 4 00 | 191 00 |
| Nobles' Chapel..... | 20 00 | 2 00 | 2 00 | 2 00 | 2 00 | 2 00 | 30 00 |
| New Bethel..... | 15 00 | 2 50 | 1 25 | 2 50 | 2 50 | 1 00 | 24 75 |
| Oliver's Grove..... | 6 00 | 1 00 | 1 00 | 1 00 | 50 | 50 | 10 00 |
| Parish Memorial .. | 12 50 | 1 00 | 1 00 | 1 00 | 1 00 | 2 00 | 18 50 |
| Pauline..... | 1 00 | 1 00 | 1 00 | 1 00 | 50 | 1 00 | 5 50 |
| Pine Level..... | 5 00 | 1 00 | 1 00 | 1 00 | 1 00 | 1 00 | 10 00 |
| Pisgah..... | 12 50 | 1 00 | 1 50 | 2 00 | 1 00 | 1 25 | 19 25 |
| Princeton..... | 15 00 | 2 00 | 5 00 | 2 00 | 2 00 | 2 50 | 28 50 |
| Sardis..... | 5 00 | 1 00 | 1 00 | 1 00 | 1 00 | 1 00 | 10 00 |
| Selma..... | 100 00 | 7 50 | 30 00 | 30 00 | 10 00 | 10 00 | 187 50 |
| Shiloh..... | 25 00 | 3 00 | 2 50 | 10 00 | 2 00 | 2 00 | 44 50 |
| Smithfield..... | 85 00 | 25 00 | 50 00 | 32 50 | 10 00 | 15 00 | 217 50 |
| Thanksgiving..... | 15 00 | 2 00 | 5 00 | 3 00 | 1 00 | 2 00 | 28 00 |
| Trinity..... | 7 50 | 2 50 | 3 25 | 2 50 | 1 00 | 1 00 | 17 75 |
| White Oak..... | 15 00 | 3 00 | 1 00 | 5 00 | 1 50 | 2 00 | 27 50 |
| Wilson's Mills..... | 10 00 | 3 00 | 5 00 | 6 00 | 3 00 | 4 00 | 31 00 |
| Total..... | 769 00 | 150 75 | 385 00 | 243 25 | 94 75 | 93 25 | 1736 00 |

NOTE.—Clayton Junior Union pledged \$25.00 for Foreign Missions; Shiloh Sunday School \$2.00 for Orphanage; Corinth Sunday School \$1.00 for Orphanage.

CHURCH STATISTICS.

| CHURCHES. | PASTORS. | CLERKS AND ADDRESSES. | Preaching Sunday. | Value of Church Property. | Seating Capacity. | Baptisms. | Received by Letter. | Restored. | Lost by Letter. | Excluded. | Died. | Number of Males. | Number of Females. | Total Membership. |
|----------------------|----------------------|---|-------------------|---------------------------|-------------------|-----------|---------------------|-----------|-----------------|-----------|-------|------------------|--------------------|-------------------|
| Antioch..... | Worley Creech..... | R. R. Creech, Selma, R.F.D. 2..... | 2 | \$400 00 | 500 | 18 | 2 | 4 | 11 | 1 | 3 | 48 | 110 | 158 |
| Baptist Centre..... | C. W. Blanchard..... | Allen G. Rogers, Clayton..... | 1 & 3 | 500 00 | 400 | 3 | 3 | 2 | 8 | 4 | 1 | 23 | 44 | 67 |
| Bethany..... | Worley Creech..... | Kirkman Creech, Kenly..... | 4 | 600 00 | 300 | 3 | 3 | 6 | 8 | 3 | 1 | 21 | 40 | 61 |
| Bethesda..... | J. W. Suttle..... | J. E. Smith, Clayton..... | 2 | 500 00 | 400 | 2 | 4 | 6 | 3 | 3 | 2 | 46 | 104 | 150 |
| Benson..... | J. W. Suttle..... | E. L. Hall, Benson..... | 4 | 1250 00 | 300 | 9 | 10 | 2 | 3 | 6 | 6 | 6 | 86 | 192 |
| Bethel..... | R. W. Horrell..... | J. A. Gulley, Kenly, R.F.D. 3..... | 3 | 600 00 | 300 | 7 | 1 | 4 | 6 | 1 | 2 | 20 | 36 | 56 |
| Blackman's Grove. | R. W. Horrell..... | E. B. Hayes, Four Oaks, R.F.D. 2..... | 4 | 350 00 | 300 | 8 | 3 | 4 | 3 | 3 | 2 | 21 | 41 | 62 |
| Clayton..... | R. W. Horrell..... | W. B. Wall, Micro..... | 1 & 3 | 500 00 | 600 | 6 | 3 | 10 | 3 | 6 | 2 | 21 | 41 | 62 |
| Carter's Chapel..... | C. W. Blanchard..... | C. J. Johnson, Wendell..... | 2 | 650 00 | 250 | 15 | 4 | 1 | 3 | 2 | 1 | 99 | 160 | 259 |
| Clyde's Chapel..... | A. A. Pippin..... | Oscar Oneal, Archer..... | 4 | 400 00 | 250 | 10 | 12 | 1 | 3 | 2 | 1 | 57 | 65 | 122 |
| Corinth..... | A. A. Pippin..... | J. W. Langdon, Four Oaks..... | 4 | 400 00 | 200 | 4 | 8 | 2 | 3 | 3 | 1 | 33 | 51 | 84 |
| Four Oaks..... | J. D. Bowen..... | Jos. W. Wood, Benson, R.F.D. 2..... | 3 | 750 00 | 300 | 4 | 2 | 2 | 2 | 1 | 1 | 10 | 19 | 29 |
| Hood's Grove..... | J. W. Suttle..... | W. I. Green, Wakefield, R.F.D. 2..... | 4 | 400 00 | 300 | 22 | 9 | 2 | 10 | 1 | 4 | 110 | 154 | 264 |
| Lee's Chapel..... | A. A. Pippin..... | K. Broadwell, Selma..... | 3 | 500 00 | 250 | 2 | 9 | 4 | 7 | 1 | 9 | 9 | 18 | 27 |
| Live Oak..... | Worley Creech..... | W. E. Smith, Micro..... | 3 | 300 00 | 250 | 2 | 9 | 4 | 7 | 1 | 9 | 9 | 18 | 27 |
| Micro..... | R. W. Horrell..... | M. T. Wilder, Clayton..... | 1 | 800 00 | 300 | 2 | 9 | 4 | 7 | 1 | 9 | 9 | 18 | 27 |
| Mount Moriah..... | S. J. Betts..... | J. R. Todd, Taylor..... | 1 | 800 00 | 300 | 2 | 9 | 4 | 7 | 1 | 9 | 9 | 18 | 27 |
| Nobles' Chapel..... | R. W. Horrell..... | N. B. Bryan, Garner..... | 4 | 600 00 | 300 | 5 | 1 | 2 | 1 | 4 | 3 | 72 | 88 | 155 |
| Oliver's Grove..... | C. T. Tew..... | H. Johnson, Four Oaks..... | 4 | 750 00 | 400 | 5 | 1 | 2 | 1 | 2 | 2 | 26 | 34 | 60 |
| Parish Memorial .. | J. D. Bowen..... | J. D. Creech, Selma, R.F.D. 4..... | 4 | 150 00 | 400 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 2 | 3 | 2 | 43 | 45 | 88 |
| Pauline..... | R. W. Horrell..... | J. D. Creech, Selma, R.F.D. 1..... | 1 | 300 00 | 250 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 2 | 3 | 1 | 10 | 8 | 18 |
| Pine Level..... | J. D. Bowen..... | Ida Woodard, Pine Level..... | 4 | 200 00 | 100 | 2 | 2 | 2 | 2 | 1 | 1 | 7 | 7 | 14 |
| Pisgah..... | J. D. Bowen..... | Aurelius Jones, Smithfield, R.F.D. 1..... | 3 | 1000 00 | 500 | 2 | 4 | 2 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 22 | 25 | 47 |
| Princeton..... | J. W. Suttle..... | W. I. Pearce, Princeton..... | 3 | 400 00 | 300 | 2 | 4 | 2 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 23 | 24 | 47 |
| Sardis..... | J. D. Bowen..... | N. B. Stevens, Smithfield, R.F.D. 2..... | 2 & 4 | 300 00 | 250 | 6 | 5 | 2 | 3 | 2 | 2 | 44 | 44 | 88 |
| Selma..... | C. W. Blanchard..... | H. W. Hood, Selma..... | 2 | 200 00 | 400 | 5 | 2 | 1 | 3 | 2 | 1 | 35 | 38 | 73 |
| Shiloh..... | C. B. Townsend..... | C. H. Holland, Garner, R.F.D. 2..... | 1 & 3 | 3500 00 | 700 | 12 | 8 | 1 | 3 | 2 | 1 | 53 | 53 | 106 |
| Smithfield..... | J. W. Suttle..... | J. M. Beaty, Smithfield..... | 2 | 800 00 | 300 | 16 | 8 | 1 | 3 | 7 | 1 | 25 | 27 | 52 |
| Thanksgiving..... | J. D. Bowen..... | J. W. G. Earp, Benson, R.F.D. 1..... | 1 | 800 00 | 300 | 14 | 6 | 2 | 4 | 6 | 2 | 11 | 11 | 22 |
| Trinity..... | J. D. Bowen..... | J. S. Lawhon, Benson, R.F.D. 2..... | 2 | 450 00 | 250 | 1 | 6 | 2 | 4 | 6 | 2 | 16 | 16 | 32 |
| White Oak..... | A. A. Pippin..... | J. I. Murphrey, Selma, R.F.D. 1..... | 2 | 700 00 | 300 | 1 | 6 | 2 | 4 | 6 | 2 | 16 | 16 | 32 |
| Wilson's Mills..... | R. W. Horrell..... | Miss Arrah Parrish, Wilson's Mills..... | 2 | 700 00 | 300 | 1 | 6 | 2 | 4 | 6 | 2 | 16 | 16 | 32 |
| Totals..... | | | | 24,450 00 | | 179 | 100 | 38 | 93 | 45 | 27 | 1035 | 1573 | 2608 |

SUNDAY SCHOOL STATISTICS.

| CHURCHES. | SUPERINTENDENTS AND ADDRESSES. | | | | Officers and Teachers. | Scholars. | Total. | Average Attendance. | Quittances and Papers. | Volumes in Library. | Months kept open. | Expenses. | No. of Schools. | No. Bap- tisms from School. |
|-----------------------|-------------------------------------|-----|------|------|------------------------|-----------|--------|---------------------|------------------------|---------------------|-------------------|-----------|-----------------|-----------------------------|
| Antioch..... | W. H. Maden, Archer, R. F. D. 1. | 6 | 60 | 66 | 30 | 40 | 12 | \$5 00 | 1 | 12 | 12 | \$5 00 | 1 | 1 |
| Baptist Centre..... | J. C. Hardee, Clayton. | 5 | 50 | 55 | 35 | 67 | 12 | 10 00 | 1 | 12 | 12 | 10 00 | 1 | 1 |
| Benson..... | G. W. Cavanaugh, Benson. | 7 | 123 | 130 | ... | 125 | 100 | 25 00 | 1 | 12 | 12 | 25 00 | 1 | 5 |
| Bethel..... | Kirkman Creech, Kenly. | 5 | 61 | 66 | 35 | 50 | 6 | 5 00 | 1 | 6 | 6 | 5 00 | 1 | 1 |
| Bethesda..... | J. J. Wallace, Wilson's Mills. | 10 | 50 | 60 | 40 | 60 | 12 | 7 00 | 1 | 12 | 12 | 7 00 | 1 | 1 |
| Blackman's Grove..... | F. P. Wood, Four Oaks, R. F. D. 2. | 4 | 30 | 34 | 45 | 45 | 6 | 50 | 1 | 6 | 6 | 50 | 1 | 2 |
| Carter's Chapel..... | J. I. Blackman, Micro | 7 | 61 | 68 | 42 | 50 | 9 | 4 47 | 1 | 9 | 9 | 4 47 | 1 | 6 |
| Clayton..... | R. H. Gower, Clayton | 21 | 225 | 246 | 150 | 303 | 176 | 99 27 | 1 | 176 | 12 | 99 27 | 1 | 4 |
| Clyde's Chapel..... | J. W. B. Finch, Wendell. | 10 | 125 | 135 | 90 | 110 | 50 | 12 00 | 2 | 50 | 12 | 12 00 | 2 | 13 |
| Corinth..... | J. A. Estridge, Archer, R. F. D. 1. | 6 | 60 | 66 | 30 | 60 | 9 | 4 05 | 1 | 9 | 9 | 4 05 | 1 | 6 |
| Four Oaks..... | Mrs. Laura Creech, Four Oaks. | 6 | 46 | 52 | 25 | 48 | 12 | 1 60 | 1 | 12 | 12 | 1 60 | 1 | 1 |
| Hood's Grove..... | W. I. Green, Wakefield, R. F. D. 2. | 5 | 67 | 72 | 30 | 75 | 9 | ... | 1 | 9 | 9 | ... | 1 | 16 |
| Lee's Chapel..... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... |
| Live Oak..... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... |
| Micro..... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... |
| Mount Moriah..... | J. F. Pool, Clayton | 11 | 110 | 121 | 58 | 131 | 12 | 48 14 | 1 | 12 | 12 | 48 14 | 1 | ... |
| New Bethel..... | James N. Bryan, Garner. | 6 | 34 | 40 | 35 | 40 | 50 | 5 00 | 1 | 50 | 12 | 5 00 | 1 | 3 |
| Nobles' Chapel..... | J. R. Todd, Taylor. | 6 | 80 | 86 | 50 | 60 | 12 | ... | 1 | 12 | 12 | ... | 1 | 2 |
| Oliver's Grove..... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... |
| Parish Memorial..... | J. F. Watson, Pine Level. | 8 | 40 | 48 | 30 | 120 | 6 | 4 00 | 1 | 6 | 6 | 4 00 | 1 | 1 |
| Pauline..... | William Eason, Pine Level. | 5 | 40 | 45 | 35 | 4 | 12 | ... | 1 | 12 | 12 | ... | 1 | 1 |
| Pine Level..... | R. H. Higgins, Smithfield | 6 | 20 | 26 | 18 | 24 | 12 | 12 00 | 1 | 12 | 12 | 12 00 | 1 | ... |
| Pisgah..... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... |
| Princeton..... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... |
| Sardis..... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... |
| Selma..... | C. W. Richardson, Selma. | 7 | 127 | 134 | 90 | 150 | 12 | ... | 1 | 12 | 12 | ... | 1 | 2 |
| Shiloh..... | F. T. Booker, Clayton, R. F. D. 1. | 8 | 65 | 73 | 40 | 73 | 12 | ... | 1 | 12 | 12 | ... | 1 | 1 |
| Smithfield..... | J. M. Beaty, Smithfield | 8 | 100 | 108 | 55 | 200 | 12 | 53 53 | 1 | 12 | 12 | 53 53 | 1 | 10 |
| Thanksgiving..... | G. C. Earp, Selma, R. F. D. 1. | 6 | 53 | 59 | 45 | 58 | 12 | ... | 1 | 12 | 12 | ... | 1 | 14 |
| Trinity..... | A. H. Lee, Benson, R. F. D. 2. | 4 | 16 | 20 | 10 | ... | ... | 92 | 1 | ... | 12 | 92 | 1 | 9 |
| White Oak..... | W. A. Newton, Archer. | 6 | 81 | 87 | 60 | 64 | 12 | 26 94 | 1 | 12 | 12 | 26 94 | 1 | ... |
| Wilson's Mills..... | J. T. Holt, Wilson's Mills. | 5 | 35 | 40 | 30 | 38 | 12 | ... | 1 | 12 | 12 | ... | 1 | ... |
| Totals..... | ... | 178 | 1759 | 1837 | 1063 | 1955 | 951 | 334 42 | 26 | ... | ... | 334 42 | 26 | 95 |

CONTRIBUTIONS BY CHURCHES, SUNDAY SCHOOLS AND SOCIETIES.

| CHURCHES. | Number of Members. | Minutes and Clerk. | Pastor's Salary. | Building and Repairs. | Incidentals. | The Poor. | Sunday School Missions. | State Missions. | Home Missions. | Foreign Missions. | Orphanage. | Ministry. | Aged Ministers. | Other Objects. | Total. |
|-----------------------|--------------------|--------------------|------------------|-----------------------|--------------|-----------|-------------------------|-----------------|----------------|-------------------|------------|-----------|-----------------|----------------|---------|
| Antioch..... | 158 | \$0 90 | \$73 35 | ... | ... | ... | ... | \$10 00 | \$1 48 | \$1 00 | \$2 65 | \$1 29 | \$1 25 | ... | \$96 92 |
| Baptist Centre..... | 67 | 1 00 | 60 00 | ... | \$3 50 | ... | ... | 10 00 | 2 00 | 1 00 | 8 00 | 1 00 | 1 00 | ... | 96 50 |
| Benson..... | 132 | 4 00 | 200 00 | \$40 00 | 25 00 | ... | ... | 35 00 | 21 20 | 10 00 | 12 00 | 2 00 | 2 00 | \$20 00 | 393 20 |
| Bethany..... | 61 | 75 | 30 00 | ... | ... | \$5 00 | ... | 5 00 | 1 50 | 1 00 | 3 55 | 1 00 | 1 00 | ... | 53 80 |
| Bethel..... | 13 | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | 1 50 | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | 1 50 |
| Bethesda..... | 166 | 1 50 | 110 00 | ... | 10 00 | ... | ... | 20 00 | 2 50 | 5 00 | 12 50 | 1 00 | 1 50 | ... | 181 00 |
| Blackman's Grove..... | 56 | 1 00 | 75 00 | ... | 50 | ... | ... | 25 00 | 3 00 | 5 00 | 5 00 | 2 50 | 1 50 | 20 00 | 144 00 |
| Carter's Chapel..... | 62 | 90 | 28 65 | ... | 8 50 | ... | ... | 9 29 | 1 00 | 2 00 | 2 00 | 1 00 | 1 00 | ... | 58 81 |
| Clayton..... | 259 | 5 00 | 500 00 | 2690 00 | 95 00 | ... | ... | 105 00 | 33 84 | 119 00 | 78 80 | 3 50 | 3 80 | 193 30 | 3926 51 |
| Clyde's Chapel..... | 122 | 1 01 | 60 00 | 2 00 | ... | ... | ... | 5 00 | 2 50 | 2 00 | 3 00 | 1 00 | 1 00 | ... | 89 51 |
| Corinth..... | 84 | 1 00 | 46 75 | ... | 1 79 | ... | ... | 5 00 | 2 50 | 2 50 | 3 00 | 1 45 | 1 00 | ... | 69 40 |
| Four Oaks..... | 28 | 1 00 | 30 60 | ... | 4 95 | ... | ... | 10 00 | 3 00 | 2 50 | 7 00 | 1 25 | 1 25 | 12 75 | 75 90 |
| Hood's Grove..... | 27 | 75 | 30 00 | 275 00 | ... | ... | ... | 5 00 | 1 00 | 2 00 | 1 00 | 1 00 | 1 00 | 7 50 | 324 25 |
| Lee's Chapel..... | 264 | 2 00 | 100 00 | ... | ... | ... | ... | 25 00 | 2 50 | 2 00 | 3 00 | 1 00 | 2 50 | ... | 138 00 |
| Live Oak..... | 27 | 67 | 19 55 | ... | ... | ... | ... | 2 50 | 1 00 | 1 00 | 2 00 | 1 00 | 1 00 | ... | 28 72 |
| Micro..... | ... | 65 | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | 70 | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | 1 35 |
| Mount Moriah..... | 155 | 1 50 | 120 00 | ... | 18 95 | 4 09 | ... | 26 11 | 10 75 | 25 84 | 29 66 | 7 26 | 3 00 | ... | 299 30 |
| New Bethel..... | 88 | 1 00 | 75 00 | ... | ... | ... | ... | 17 50 | 3 45 | 1 25 | 16 60 | 1 00 | 1 50 | ... | 122 30 |
| Nobles' Chapel..... | 60 | 1 00 | 40 00 | 200 00 | 10 00 | ... | ... | 10 00 | 1 00 | 1 00 | 1 00 | 1 00 | 1 00 | ... | 205 00 |
| Oliver's Grove..... | 18 | 40 | 6 25 | ... | ... | ... | ... | 5 00 | 1 00 | 1 00 | 1 00 | 1 00 | 1 00 | 3 15 | 18 80 |
| Parish Memorial..... | 38 | 60 | 25 00 | ... | ... | ... | ... | 10 00 | 1 00 | 1 00 | 1 00 | 1 00 | 1 00 | ... | 40 60 |
| Pauline..... | 20 | 50 | 13 90 | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | 15 90 |
| Pine Level..... | 24 | 1 20 | 11 37 | ... | ... | ... | ... | 2 50 | 1 00 | 1 00 | 1 00 | 50 | 1 00 | ... | 19 57 |
| Pisgah..... | 47 | 25 | 50 00 | 35 00 | ... | ... | ... | 10 00 | 1 00 | 1 00 | 2 00 | 1 00 | 1 00 | ... | 112 00 |
| Princeton..... | 67 | 1 25 | 21 94 | ... | 5 00 | ... | ... | 10 00 | 2 00 | 2 50 | 1 00 | 1 00 | 1 25 | ... | 45 94 |
| Sardis..... | 15 | 30 | 18 00 | ... | ... | ... | ... | 2 50 | 1 00 | 1 00 | 1 00 | 1 00 | 1 00 | ... | 25 80 |
| Selma..... | 157 | 2 50 | 500 00 | ... | 30 52 | ... | ... | 57 80 | 5 00 | 10 00 | 30 00 | 5 00 | 5 00 | ... | 643 02 |
| Shiloh..... | 73 | 1 00 | 125 00 | ... | ... | ... | ... | 15 00 | 2 50 | 2 00 | 12 00 | 1 00 | 1 00 | ... | 161 50 |
| Smithfield..... | 117 | 5 00 | 250 00 | 155 75 | 46 00 | 35 85 | 6 26 | 136 95 | 68 34 | 30 00 | 30 00 | 11 00 | 7 50 | 210 05 | 1046 23 |
| Thanksgiving..... | 52 | 1 70 | 3 00 | ... | 8 75 | 2 80 | ... | 7 50 | 1 50 | 1 50 | 2 00 | 1 00 | 1 50 | ... | 31 20 |
| Trinity..... | 27 | 60 | 31 75 | 27 50 | 85 | ... | ... | 10 00 | 2 50 | 2 50 | 2 50 | 1 00 | 1 00 | ... | 78 12 |
| White Oak..... | 99 | 1 00 | 26 25 | ... | 10 00 | ... | ... | 10 00 | 2 00 | 1 00 | 3 51 | 63 | 1 00 | 12 00 | 44 33 |
| Wilson's Mills..... | 45 | 1 00 | 35 72 | ... | ... | ... | ... | 5 00 | 2 00 | 2 00 | 6 00 | 6 00 | 2 00 | ... | 77 72 |
| Totals..... | 2008 | 39 68 | 2667 08 | 3415 25 | 27 31 | 47 74 | 6 62 | 596 85 | 185 06 | 250 09 | 268 27 | 59 88 | 50 05 | 478 75 | 7948 30 |

DIGEST OF CHURCH LETTERS.

The following amounts were pledged and paid by the churches of the Johnston County Association during the year just ended, November 10, 1904:

| CHURCHES. | PLEGDED. | | Contributed. | Below Pledge. | Above Pledge. | LOSS OR GAIN IN MEMBERSHIP | | PLEGDED IN 1905 ABOVE PLEDGE OF | |
|-----------------------|----------|---------|--------------|---------------|---------------|----------------------------|-------|---------------------------------|--------|
| | 1904 | 1905 | | | | Loss | Gain | 1904 | Less |
| Antioch..... | \$16 50 | \$24 00 | \$17 02 | ..... | \$0 52 | ..... | 7 | \$7 50 | ..... |
| Baptist Centre..... | 20 00 | 33 00 | 23 00 | ..... | 3 00 | 3 | ..... | 13 00 | ..... |
| Bethany..... | 11 50 | 14 00 | 13 05 | ..... | 1 55 | 6 | ..... | 2 50 | ..... |
| Benson..... | 66 00 | 103 00 | 79 20 | ..... | 13 20 | ..... | 8 | 36 00 | ..... |
| Bethesda..... | 42 50 | 56 00 | 42 50 | ..... | ..... | 4 | ..... | 12 50 | ..... |
| *Bethel..... | ..... | 6 50 | 1 50 | ..... | 1 50 | ..... | 13 | 6 50 | ..... |
| Blackman's Grove..... | 42 00 | 34 25 | 47 00 | ..... | 5 00 | ..... | 1 | ..... | \$7 75 |
| Carter's Chapel..... | 11 00 | 17 75 | 16 29 | ..... | 5 29 | ..... | 7 | 6 75 | ..... |
| Clayton..... | 306 00 | 437 50 | 512 24 | ..... | 206 24 | 2 | ..... | 131 50 | ..... |
| Clyde's Chapel..... | 14 50 | 19 00 | 14 50 | ..... | ..... | ..... | 24 | 4 50 | ..... |
| Corinth..... | 15 00 | 20 00 | 15 81 | ..... | 81 | ..... | 20 | 5 00 | ..... |
| Four Oaks..... | 20 00 | 20 00 | 21 50 | ..... | 1 50 | ..... | 5 | ..... | ..... |
| Hood's Grove..... | 11 00 | 14 75 | 11 00 | ..... | ..... | ..... | 3 | 3 75 | ..... |
| Lee's Chapel..... | 34 00 | 44 50 | 36 00 | ..... | 2 00 | ..... | 18 | 10 50 | ..... |
| Live Oak..... | 8 50 | 11 00 | 8 50 | ..... | ..... | 3 | ..... | 2 50 | ..... |
| *Micro..... | ..... | 5 50 | 70 | ..... | 70 | ..... | 11 | 5 50 | ..... |
| Mount Moriah..... | 78 00 | 191 06 | 106 62 | ..... | 28 62 | 11 | ..... | 113 00 | ..... |
| Nobles' Chapel..... | 15 00 | 30 00 | 15 00 | ..... | ..... | ..... | 7 | 15 00 | ..... |
| New Bethel..... | 23 25 | 24 75 | 41 30 | ..... | 18 05 | ..... | 4 | 1 50 | ..... |
| Oliver's Grove..... | 9 00 | 10 00 | 9 00 | ..... | ..... | 4 | ..... | 1 00 | ..... |
| *Pauline..... | ..... | 5 50 | 1 50 | ..... | 1 50 | ..... | 20 | 5 50 | ..... |
| Parish Memorial..... | 15 00 | 18 50 | 15 00 | ..... | ..... | 2 | ..... | 3 50 | ..... |
| Pine Level..... | 7 00 | 10 00 | 7 00 | ..... | ..... | ..... | 3 | 3 00 | ..... |
| Pisgah..... | 16 75 | 19 25 | 15 00 | \$1 75 | ..... | 1 | ..... | 2 50 | ..... |
| Princeton..... | 17 75 | 28 50 | 17 75 | ..... | ..... | ..... | 7 | 10 75 | ..... |
| Sardis..... | 7 50 | 10 00 | 7 50 | ..... | ..... | ..... | 5 | 2 50 | ..... |
| Selma..... | 105 00 | 187 50 | 112 80 | ..... | 7 80 | ..... | 3 | 82 50 | ..... |
| Shiloh..... | 35 50 | 46 50 | 33 50 | 2 00 | ..... | ..... | ..... | 11 00 | ..... |
| Smithfield..... | 148 50 | 217 50 | 308 05 | ..... | 159 55 | ..... | 17 | 69 00 | ..... |
| Thanksgiving..... | 15 00 | 28 00 | 15 00 | ..... | ..... | ..... | 25 | 13 00 | ..... |
| Trinity..... | 14 50 | 17 75 | 16 50 | ..... | 2 00 | 10 | ..... | 3 25 | ..... |
| White Oak..... | 16 00 | 27 50 | 18 14 | ..... | 2 14 | ..... | 8 | 11 50 | ..... |
| Wilson's Mills..... | 26 00 | 31 00 | 31 00 | ..... | 5 00 | ..... | 1 | 5 00 | ..... |
| Totals..... | 1168 25 | 1764 00 | 1630 47 | 3 75 | 464 97 | 45 | 217 | 602 50 | 7 75 |

* New churches.

NOTE—Other pledges for State Missions 1903-1904, \$158; other pledges for State Missions 1904-1905, \$100 50. Two churches fell below their pledges in contributions \$3.75. Eleven churches contributed just what they pledged. Twenty churches exceeded their pledges in contributions \$164.97. One church pledged \$7.75 less than a year ago. One church pledged the same as a year ago. Thirty-one churches advanced on their last year's pledges \$602.50. Ten churches reported a loss of 45 members. Twenty-two churches reported a gain of 206 members. Seventeen churches report evergreen Sunday schools. Eight churches report Sunday schools for part of the year.

C. W. BLANCHARD,
for Committee

Note by Clerk—In table of pledges for 1904, Blackman's Grove church is put down \$15.00 for the Orphanage. This was a misprint, and should have been \$5.00. Hence this church appears to have pledged less than last year, where it really pledged \$2.25 more.

