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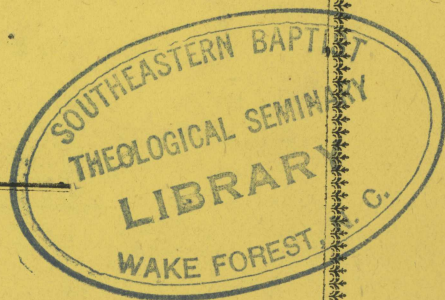
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CHURCHES.	LOCATED.	When constituted.	MESSENGERS.	PASTORS.	Days of preaching.	Baptized.	Received by letter.	Restored.	Dismissed.	Excluded.	Dead.	Total.	Colored.
Little River -	Loudoun County	1769	{ William Beaty, (absent) Sandford Rogers James C. Green	L. MARDERS	1st L. D.	-	1	-	-	1	-	59	-
Back Lick -	Fairfax County	1791	{ Edward Kingsford, (abs't) Willis Henderson	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	1	25	-
1st Washington	Washington, D. C.	1802	{ S. P. Hill	S. P. HILL	Every	10	4	-	-	-	-	130	-
Alexandria -	Alexandria County	-	{ W. H. Rogers, (absent) O. W. Briggs Zeph'n English, (absent) John T. Patton	O. W. BRUCES	Every	2	7	1	1	2	3	77	-
Grove -	Fauquier County	1812	{ Solomon Walker Staunton G. Embrey	W. OWENS	2d	19	2	-	1	-	2	143	-
Rock Hill -	Stafford County	1812	{ Sandford Carter Humphrey Dodd	W. OWENS	3d	-	-	-	-	-	1	40	32
Zoar -	Fauquier County	1812	{ Sandford Humphrey A. H. Bennett R. H. Payne J. H. Peters, (absent) Alfred Glasscock	A. H. BENNETT	1st	-	-	-	-	-	1	163	-
Broad Run -	Fauquier County	1830	{ Armistead Utterback Lewis Shumate	A. H. SPILLMAN	2d	9	2	-	-	-	1	120	-
Fredericksburg	Fredericksburg	1825	{ W. Owens Samuel Smith - William A. White	S. SMITH	Every	65	14	5	14	18	9	639	-
Pleasant Vale	Fauquier County	1799	{ James L. Adams J. W. Royston	B. GRIMSLY	2d and 4th	25	4	-	4	-	1	76	9
Jerusalem	Fairfax County	1840	{ Thomas W. Greer - T. Scisson, (absent) C. Stone, (absent)	L. MARDERS	3d	-	-	-	-	-	-	18	-
Union	Culpeper County	1843	{ L. B. Humphreys Richard Cole	W. OWENS	4th	5	2	1	3	2	2	108	-
2d Ebenezer -	Loudoun County	1842	{ William H. Miller H. W. Dodge	H. W. DODGE	-	5	1	-	1	-	-	39	-
Winchester	Frederick County	1844	{ F. T. Gradø J. L. Powell, (absent)	-	-	5	1	-	-	-	-	47	-
Zoar of Jefferson	Jefferson County	-	{ J. G. A. Bramble Joshua Hudson.	-	3d	5	4	-	-	-	1	47	-
Pugh Town	Jefferson County	1849	{ George Brown	G. W. HARRIS	4th	10	-	-	-	-	1	23	-
Warrenton	Fauquier County	1849	{ George L. Ball, (absent) L. B. Lynn	C. GEORGE	3d	7	-	-	1	-	2	49	-
Berea -	Stafford County	1852	{ A. H. Spillman	W. OWENS	1st	-	-	-	-	-	-	12	-
						162	41	7	26	23	25	1,768	41

3. Brother Smith was chosen Moderator.

Adjourned till 3 o'clock. Prayer by brother Battle.

Met pursuant to adjournment. Prayer by brother Dodge.

4. The Delegates of the Grove Church, together with their Pastor, were appointed a committee to arrange the preaching during the meeting.

5. Visiting brethren present were invited to seats with us. Brother S. Mason, of Goshen, took a seat.

6. Messengers and communications were received from the following Associations, viz :

*Salem Union*—Brother T. D. Herndon.

*Shiloh*—No communication.

*Baltimore*—Ditto.

*Albemarle*—Ditto.

*Rappahannock*—Brother O. Clark being present as a visiter, was invited to a seat.

*Goshen*—Brother L. Battle.

*Maryland Union*—No communication.

7. The Circular Letter prepared by brother Baker was read and referred to brethren Hill, Marders and Spillman to examine.

8. Brethren Payne, Utterback and Rogers were appointed a committee to audit the Treasurer's account.

9. The following brethren were appointed as delegates to the General Association, viz : Hill, Marders, Owens, Smith, Spillman, Dodge and Bennett.

10. A committee consisting of brethren Owens, Grada and the Clerk were appointed to examine the Church Letters.

11. *Resolved*, That the next Association be held with the Church of 2d Ebenezer, Loudoun County, about 2 miles S. W. of Snickersville and 7 miles N. E. of Upperville.

12. Brother Bennett was chosen to write the Circular Letter of next year.

13. Brother Spillman to preach the Introductory ; brother Owens, alternate.

14. Messengers were appointed to Corresponding Associations, viz :

*Salem Union*—Brethren Hill, Spillman and Bennett.

*Goshen*—Brethren Smith and Bennett.

*Shiloh*—Brother Spillman.

*Rappahannock*—Brother Smith.

*Dover*—10 copies of Minutes.

*Maryland Union*—Brother Hill.

15. *Ordered*, That 1000 copies of our Minutes be published, and that thirty dollars be appropriated and paid over to the Clerk, and that he superintend the printing and distribution of the same.

16. *Ordered*, That the Clerk receive \$15 for his services.

17. *Resolved*, That the Clerk be requested to prepare an Abstract from the Letters of the Churches and publish the same with the Minutes.

18. The Committee to examine the Circular Letter, report the same, with some small alteration, which was accepted, and ordered to be printed with our Minutes.

19. The Treasurer, brother Hixson, offered his resignation, which was accepted; whereupon, the following resolution was unanimously adopted:

20. *Resolved*, That the thanks of this Association is due to brother Hixson for the long and faithful service rendered as Treasurer of the same.

21. Brother R. H. Payne was chosen Treasurer.

22. *Resolved*, That it be a standing rule, that any brother being at any Association with which we correspond, whose name is recorded upon our Minutes, be considered as a messenger from this Association to that body.

23. *Resolved unanimously*, That it be earnestly recommended to the churches and brethren to contribute liberally, according to the means which God has given them, to the support of missionary labors, both in our own and foreign countries.

Adjourned till ten o'clock to-morrow morning. Prayer by brother Dodge.

#### FRIDAY, August 20.

Met at 10 o'clock. Prayer by brother Smith.

24. Brother Dodge was appointed to write the Corresponding Letter.

25. *Resolved unanimously*, That in witnessing the desecration of the Lord's Day, which prevails to so great an extent, the members of our Churches be requested to guard themselves with special watchfulness, and sacred care, against giving countenance to the evil by their example, and that the Pastors of the Churches be requested to bring the subject before their respective congregations at least once a year.

26. The Committee to audit the Treasurer's account, report:

The Committee to audit the Treasurer's account find it sustained by proper vouchers, leaving a balance in the hands of the Treasurer of one dollar due the Association.

### Columbia Association,

*In Account with B. HIXSON, Treasurer:*

1851,

August 22—To cash paid for printing Minutes, - - - \$30.00  
 " To do. paid Clerk for services, - - - 15.00

1852,

February 25—To cash paid brother Bayne, Treasurer of  
 Missionary Society, - - - 12.25

\$57.25

1852,	CR.	
August 22—By cash of the Churches,	- - - -	\$57.25
“ “ from a friend,	- - - -	1.00
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		\$58.25
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Balance on hand,	- - - -	\$1.00
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*Present contributions of the Churches :*

Broad Run, \$4; Warrenton, \$3; Rock Hill, \$3; Alexandria, \$5; 2d Ebenezer, \$5; Little River, \$3; Zoar, \$5.25; Union, \$4.12 1-2; Pugh Town, \$2; Grove, \$3; Jerusalem, \$4.25; Back Lick, \$2; Pleasant Vale, \$5; Winchester, \$5.25; Berea, \$2; Fredericksburg, \$5; 1st Washington will pay brother Bayne, the Treasurer of the Missionary Society, \$5—making in all, \$65.87 1-2.

R. H. PAYNE, *Chairman.*

27. *Resolved unanimously,* That the Churches be affectionately requested to send, in their letters to the Association, a full statement of their condition, whether prosperous or adverse, including the benevolent institutions to which they contribute; and also the number of Sabbath Schools, Teachers and Scholars, and the number of Books in their libraries.

28. *Resolved,* That the American and Foreign Bible Society, in its principles and design, demands and should receive the support of the counsels, prayers and contributions of the members of our Churches, in a measure corresponding, in some good degree, at least to our ability and the wants of the world.

29. *Resolved,* That it be recommended to all the Churches in which there are as yet no Sabbath Schools, to institute such Sabbath Schools as soon as possible, and that members be requested to employ themselves as teachers.

30. *Whereas,* The Columbia College, founded by the liberality, and hallowed by the prayers of the united Baptists of the United States, has been eminently honored of God, in sending forth efficient ministers of the Gospel: and whereas, having outlived its protracted and distressing difficulties, it is now annually sending forth throughout our country, and especially into Virginia, most promising preachers of Christ, some of whom have been converted to God while enjoying the privileges of this institution of learning: Therefore,

*Resolved,* That this Association commend the Columbian College to the pecuniary aid as well as to the prayers of the members of the Churches composing this body; and they also recommend it to the patronage of young men studying for the Gospel ministry, and of parents who desire to educate their sons for usefulness.

31. *Resolved,* That the Richmond College be recommended to the patronage of the Baptists composing this Association.

32. *Resolved,* That in view of the destitute condition of Back Lick Church, the sum of four dollars be appropriated monthly, to aid the



Church in procuring the services of a Minister to preach monthly, and that the Treasurer of the Missionary Society be requested to pay the same out of any monies not otherwise appropriated, to brother Willis Henderson, for said purpose.

33. The Committee to examine the letters of the Churches made the following report :

They find, in the letter from 1st Washington, that their late lamented pastor, O. B. Brown, had departed this life. The Committee offer the following resolutions, (which were accepted and adopted, and unanimously ordered to be printed with the Minutes :)

*Resolved 1st.* That this Association have heard, with unfeigned regret, of the decease of Rev. O. B. Brown, one of the founders of this body, and for many years Pastor of the 10th street Baptist Church, Washington City.

*Resolved 2d.* That, in the death of this able Minister, the Church of God on earth has sustained the loss of one eminently capable of, and ardently devoted to upholding her interests ; the denomination to which he belonged, a most intelligent and decided advocate ; the people to whom he preached so long, a most excellent counsellor and friend ; and his family, a husband and father, loving and beloved, with whom we deeply feel in their present bereavement.

*Resolved 3d.* That, before this Association adjourns, brother O. W. Briggs be requested to preach a sermon appropriate to the commemoration of the event of the death of our deceased friend ; and that, brethren H. W. Dodge and O. W. Briggs draw up and publish in the Religious Herald a sketch of his life and character.

34. *Resolved,* That this Association recommend to all the Churches to procure Books from the Baptist Publication Society, and establish Libraries in each, and encourage the members to read them, especially the young, and any member of the congregation.

*Resolved,* That the work of Missions, in which so many of our Churches are engaged, both at home and abroad, is an enterprise upon which the countenance of God is lifted up in all its cheering, enlivening and invigorating influence ; and that, therefore, it is our solemn duty to be up and doing, and remain steadfast, immoveable, always abounding in the use of all proper means for its advancement.

35. *Resolved,* That the Constitution be so altered as to cause the Association to meet on Wednesday before the fourth Lord's day, instead of Thursday ; which vote was reconsidered and laid over till next year.

36. *Ordered,* That the balance in the hands of the Treasurer, after defraying the expenses of the Association, be paid over to the Treasurer of the Missionary Society of the Association.

Adjourned until 3 o'clock. Prayer by brother Briggs.

Met pursuant to adjournment. Prayer by brother Greer.

The Association done no business this afternoon ; but adjourned to

the stand to listen to the report of the Missionary, brother Greer, and the addresses of brethren Dodge and Briggs upon Missionary efforts.

Adjourned till 10 o'clock to-morrow morning.

### SATURDAY MORNING, August 21.

- Met pursuant to adjournment. Prayer by brother Owens.
37. *Resolved*, That the Clerk of the Association be instructed to insert his name and post office address with the Minutes.
38. *Resolved*, That brother Dodge prepare a Corresponding Letter, and send to the Clerk in time to be published with the Minutes.
39. A letter was read, together with the articles of faith, from Berea, a newly constituted Church, desiring to be admitted into this body. Referred to brethren Marders, Briggs and Spillman, as a committee to report during the meeting. Said committee made a favorable report, and recommended the reception of said Church. Whereupon, she was unanimously received, and her delegate ordered to receive the right hand of fellowship by the Moderator, and invited to a seat with us.
- Resolved*, That the Constitution of the Columbia Association be so altered and amended as to permit the Messengers of the Churches corresponding with this body to have seats in the same, in full privilege, whether said Messengers be members of said Churches or not.
40. *Resolved unanimously*, That the thanks of this Association be presented to the brethren and friends of Grove and vicinity, for the great kindness and hospitality with which we have been entertained during the meeting.

### General State of the Churches from their Letters.

*Little River*—Speaks of coldness and langour in the Holy cause, and her prospects rather discouraging, but it is a pleasure that brotherly love continues.

*1st Washington*—Express gratitude to God for his mercies through the past year; his presence has cheered them, and he has not withheld from them tokens of his favor. (They, doubtless, are engaged in most of the benevolent operations of the day, though their letter does not express it.)

*Alexandria*—They are still endeavoring to hold up the Cross, and are using all the means in their power to carry on the great work of saving men's souls, and sending the Gospel to the benighted nations, but lament over the small success which their efforts seem at present to be crowned. For some months past, they have had quite a flourishing Sabbath School, the average attendance being about 100 scholars and 15 teachers. They have monthly concerts of prayer for missions, and weekly prayer meetings. They have in their Sunday School Library some five or six hundred volumes, beside 100 copies of the Youth's Penny Gazette and 70 copies of the Home and Foreign Missionary Journal for distribution.

They contribute to various benevolent objects, such as Bible, Missionary and Tract Societies.

*Grove*—They have enjoyed many precious seasons from the Lord. Their congregations are large and attentive, and quite an interest is manifested. They have a monthly prayer meeting, beside occasional meetings in the week for prayer at private houses.

*Rock Hill*—They are looking in faith for a more refreshing season; they lament the death of one of their most aged members—a sister, long regarded for her personal piety, but they sorrow not as those who have no hope.

*Zoar*—They have nothing particularly interesting. They have a monthly prayer meeting, and are engaged in building a house of worship.

*Broad Run*—They feel greatly encouraged to wait upon the Lord, and not become weary in well-doing. They are trying to establish a Sabbath School. They contribute to the benevolent operations of the day. Have had several protracted meetings during the year, all of which resulted in good.

*Fredericksburg*—There has been quite a revival among the colored part of their congregation. They are in peace and harmony, and are in the enjoyment of the means of Grace as usual. They have a monthly concert of prayer for Missions; a weekly prayer meeting; preaching three times each week. They have a flourishing Sunday School, 104 scholars and 24 officers on the first of May last, and 261 volumes in the Library. They contributed to the Mission cause \$73.51 during the past year.

*Pleasant Vale*—Has enjoyed some precious seasons of refreshing from the presence of the Lord. Have a flourishing Sunday School and Bible Class; nearly all the members of the Church are members of the Class, and they meet every Lord's day, in connection with the Sunday School, to study the word of God. They sent to the June meeting \$180 for the various objects of Christian benevolence. (Thus they seem to be provoking to love and good works.)

*Jerusalem*—They are praying for the prosperity of Zion, and lamenting their want of prosperity, but leaning upon the promises of the Lord.

*Union*—Have brotherly love, for which they are thankful. They have large and attentive congregations, and a monthly prayer meeting, and are encouraged to hope in the mercy of the Lord.

*2d Ebenezer*—While they complain of the age in which they live, as "being more curious than devout," yet they have cause of rejoicing by accessions to their numbers. They have a monthly prayer meeting, and a Union Sabbath School, which is well attended. They contribute quarterly to the Foreign and Home Mission.

*Winchester*—Their meetings are tolerably well attended, and they have been rejoiced by accessions to their number. Have a Sabbath School of about 40 scholars and 8 teachers, and upwards of 100 volumes in the Library. They also contribute to the benevolent institutions of the day.

*Zoar of Jefferson*—Has failed to communicate any intelligence.

*Back Lick*—They speak of being in a languishing condition, but their hope has not left them in the promise of the Lord. They have a small Sabbath School, and their congregations are good.

*Warrenton*—The Lord has given them frequent evidences of his willingness to bless, for which they feel thankful. They have a weekly prayer meeting, a Sabbath School of some forty or fifty scholars, and are living in peace.

*Berea*—Is a small interest newly organised under favorable circumstances.

*Pugh Town*—Deems it almost a miracle that she is sustained amid the various oppositions and difficulties she has to encounter. But they give all praise to the name of the Lord, who maintains their cause and blesses them by additions to their numbers, and comforting their hearts in the gift of His Holy Spirit. Their congregations are large and respectful, and manifest a good degree of interest.

Adjourned. Valedictory by the Moderator. Prayer by brother Briggs.

S. SMITH, *Moderator*.

A. H. BENNETT, *Clerk*.

NOTE.—The Meeting throughout was characterized by much that was lovely and interesting in the Christian character.

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CLERK OF THE ASSOCIATION—A. H. BENNETT,

ADDRESS—*Elk Run, Fauquier County, Va.*

## LIST OF NAMES

### Of Ministers belonging to this Association.

S. P. HILL, Washington City.

O. W. BRIGGS, Alexandria.

E. KINGSFORD, Alexandria.

L. MARDERS, Manassa's Station, Fairfax County.

S. SMITH, Fredericksburg.

J. BAKER, Winchester.

A. H. BENNETT.

R. H. PAYNE, *Licentiate*, Bristersburg, Fauquier County.

A. H. SPILLMAN, Warrenton, Fauquier County.

W. OWENS, Fredericksburg.

## CIRCULAR LETTER.

### The Columbia Baptist Association, TO THE SEVERAL CHURCHES:—

DEAR BRETHREN :

It has long been our custom at each Annual Meeting to send out to all the Churches composing our body a Circular Letter, for the benefit and instruction of the disciples of our Divine Master. It becomes a matter of some difficulty to decide as to the most appropriate and instructive topic to be introduced and discussed in such a letter. So great a variety of subjects have, from year to year, been brought up and presented to the minds of the brethren for meditation and reflection as to render it quite difficult as to the selection of one for the present communication. Practical piety, however, we have concluded to make the theme of our remarks in this Circular. This subject, it must be admitted, occupies a very prominent place in the scheme of our Holy Religion, and is of vital importance in the formation of the Christian character. The spirit is not more essential to the well being of the body than practical piety is to the religion we profess. In fact, the want of practical Godliness has, in every age of the Church, armed Infidelity with its most potent weapons, and has of itself inflicted more deadly wounds on the cause of Christ than all the most subtle and insidious Infidel writers ever could inflict. Practical piety, in its very nature, must be inseparably connected with certain fundamental principles, the absence of which will lead to very corrupt and dangerous consequences in practice. Hence it is that some systems of doctrine seem to engender and superinduce deception, falsehood, and crime, as in the case of Romish Missionaries in some Pagan countries where the natives regard these things as the certain effects of becoming Christians. Not only in heathen, but in Christian lands, will persons decide as to the truth and excellency of the Religion by the practical and consistent lives of its professors; and hence the importance that every Church, and all the members of each Church, should maintain a life and conversation according to Godliness. In order, therefore, that Christians may live lives of consistent piety, it is indispensable that they be faith-

fully instructed in the great truths of the Bible; and a knowledge of these truths brought home to the heart will enlighten the mind and conform the practice to the precepts of Christ. There is so much religious instruction given, with strict regard to party or sectarian principles, that the character of practical piety is entirely changed from that of the Bible to suit the notions of the party or sect, ambitious, were it possible, to proselyte the whole world. It is evident, therefore, that there is a great falling off in this particular from Bible practice, and it may be traced to the want of sound principles being inculcated, or in other words, to making the tree good, and its fruit will be good. A quotation from the works of Cecil would seem to be in point here: "Whatever definition of religion men have given, I can find none so accurately descriptive of it as this—that it is such a belief of the Bible as maintains a living influence on the heart. Men may speculate, criticise, admire, dispute about, doubt or believe the Bible; but the religious *man* is such, because he so believes it as to carry habitually a practical sense of its truths on his mind. Family religion is of unspeakable importance. It diffuses a sympathy through the members. It calls off the mind from the deadening effects of worldly affairs. It arrests every member with a morning and evening sermon, in the midst of all the hurries and cares of life. It says, there is a God! There is a Spiritual world! There is a life to come!" It is, therefore, plainly to be perceived that practical piety is interwoven with every part of the Christian character; so that whatever we do, whether we eat or drink, or whatever we do, all must be done to the glory of God. Truly as in the words of Inspiration—As the body without the Spirit is dead, so faith without works is dead, being alone. The sentiment, then, of the great and eminently distinguished Bunyan is very much in point here: "That the soul of religion is the practical part." But why need we quote the words of Bunyan, when our blessed Saviour says: Ye are the light of the world, Ye are the salt of the earth. The people of God are here represented as the embodied light of the world. Christ, as the true light, is now enthroned in glory, and his people are to be his representatives on earth, and to be refulgent with his own infinite lustre. Light is the medium through which objects are seen, and things appear as they really are; and by means of it, we are prepared to form correct views of the various objects by which we are surrounded. Brethren, we have our light from Christ, and as so many mirrors we ought to reflect it all around, that others seeing it might be led to glorify our Father in Heaven. Let it shine; that is, let the correctness and Divinity of your principles be apparent to all in your intercourse and conduct with men in the various relations of life, that ye may be emphatically called the light

of the world. Ye are the salt of the earth! that is, ye are to be the means of its preservation by your Holy and Scriptural doctrine, your prayers and your exemplary and pious lives. How striking the words of the poet:—

So let our lips and lives express  
The Holy Gospel we profess:  
So let our works and virtues shine  
To prove the doctrine all Divine.

In conclusion of this Circular, we would urge you to a daily growth in grace and in the knowledge of the truth. This is not only a duty, but a privilege of all God's people. Hence the exhortation of the Apostle: "Add to your faith virtue, and to virtue knowledge, and to knowledge temperance, and to temperance patience, and to patience godliness, and to godliness brotherly kindness, and to brotherly kindness charity." May these graces and principles of action, dear brethren, be in you all and abound evermore.

S. SMITH, *Moderator.*

A. H. BENNETT, *Clerk.*

## CORRESPONDING LETTER.

DEAR BRETHREN :

In closing another Session of our Body we address you, as has been our custom, our Annual Letter. The object of this Annual Epistle is not so much to show what has been done—for this our Minutes show—as to invite from you a continuance of your correspondence, to the end that our Christian Union may be promoted. We regard this both as a Christian privilege and as a Christian duty. What gives rise to and tends to promote good feeling in any community? The answer is frequent, cheerful, social interchange among the people. Proximity is not enough. The separate twines of the cable, however great the proximity, would never sustain the anchor, nor be of any practical advantage to the vessel, unless they were intertwined. So with Churches—the cord that binds is the intertwined cord of light and love. How rapid the communication between Christians, how constant, how sweet, were they as mindful of their spiritual as of their temporal wants. With Christian Love as our battery, Christian sympathy the wires, and Christian Faith the magnetic poles, over what distance would not Christian Benevolence travel? what difficulties could not Christian energy overcome? With such appliances in our reach, should we be found, through any cause, indisposed to avail ourselves of them, what less can we look for than severe rebuke from the Master? Of our present session, we can say it has been characterized by much that is amiable and attractive in Christian intercourse. In all the discussions, a beautiful spirit of conciliation has prevailed; and if differences existed, they had respect rather to the means to be employed than the end to be attained.

We are happy to inform you an efficient Missionary has been secured to labor within the limits of our Association, whose coming among us was not more providential, than his qualifications for the work unquestioned. To make his labors productive of still higher good, as well as



to secure the complete occupancy of the field, it is proposed to employ an active and energetic Colporteur at the earliest practicable moment.

*Our next Session will be held with the 2d Ebenezer Church, Loudoun County, Va., commencing on Thursday before the 4th Lord's Day in August, 1853.*

*That we may be permitted to meet you there, to propose and execute for the Master-work, compared with which, what has been accomplished, shall be only as the Acorn to the Oak, the Spring to the Sea—is our heart-felt prayer.*

S. SMITH, Moderator.

A. H. BENNETT, Clerk.

TENTH ANNUAL MEETING  
OF THE  
MISSIONARY SOCIETY  
OF THE  
Columbia Baptist Association.

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SATURDAY, *August 21, 1852.*

1. The Missionary Society met after the adjournment of the Association.
2. Brother O. W. Briggs was chosen President.
3. Brother R. H. Payne Secretary.
4. *Resolved*, That the Board of Managers of the Society be dispensed with in future, and that the President, Secretary and Treasurer compose the officers of said Society.
5. *Resolved*, That the Society raise during the year the sum of four hundred dollars for Missionary purposes, and that the Treasurer pay to brother Greer the sum of fifty dollars quarterly.
6. *Resolved*, That the amount contributed for Missionary purposes be paid over to brother Bayne, Treasurer.

The following contributions were made, viz:  
2d Ebenezer, \$20; Pleasant Vale, \$24; Little River, \$6; Rock Hill, \$1.75; G. A. Bramble, \$1; Catharine Henderson, \$1; Miss A. C. Rogers, \$1; Mrs. Margaret Weaver, \$1; Miss Mary Peters, \$1; C. S. Walker, \$1; Mrs. Catharine Marders, \$1; George Brown, \$1; Catharine Payne, \$1; Miss Catharine McLish, \$1; Jas. L. Stephens, \$1; A. H. Bennett, \$1; Jas. L. Adams, \$1; Robert Peters, \$1; A stranger, 50 cents; O. W. Briggs, \$1; Elizabeth Brown, \$1; John Anderson, \$1; two servants, each 12 1-2 cents.—Amount, \$69.50.

Adjourned.

R. H. PAYNE, *Secretary.*

O. W. BRIGGS, *President.*

THIRTY ANNUAL MEETING  
 of the  
**MISSIONARY SOCIETY**  
 of the  
**Columbia Baptist Association**

SATURDAY, JUNE 21, 1884

1. The Missionary Society reported the following:

2. Brother O. W. Briggs, secretary, reported that the Society had received \$1,000.00 from the Board of Managers of the Society of the South, and that the Treasurer, brother G. W. Briggs, had paid over to the Board of Managers \$1,000.00.

3. Brother R. H. Felt, secretary, reported that the Society had received \$1,000.00 from the Board of Managers of the Society of the South, and that the Treasurer, brother G. W. Briggs, had paid over to the Board of Managers \$1,000.00.

4. Brother G. W. Briggs, Treasurer, reported that the Society had received \$1,000.00 from the Board of Managers of the Society of the South, and that the Treasurer, brother G. W. Briggs, had paid over to the Board of Managers \$1,000.00.

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O. W. BRIGGS, Treasurer  
 R. H. FELT, Secretary

