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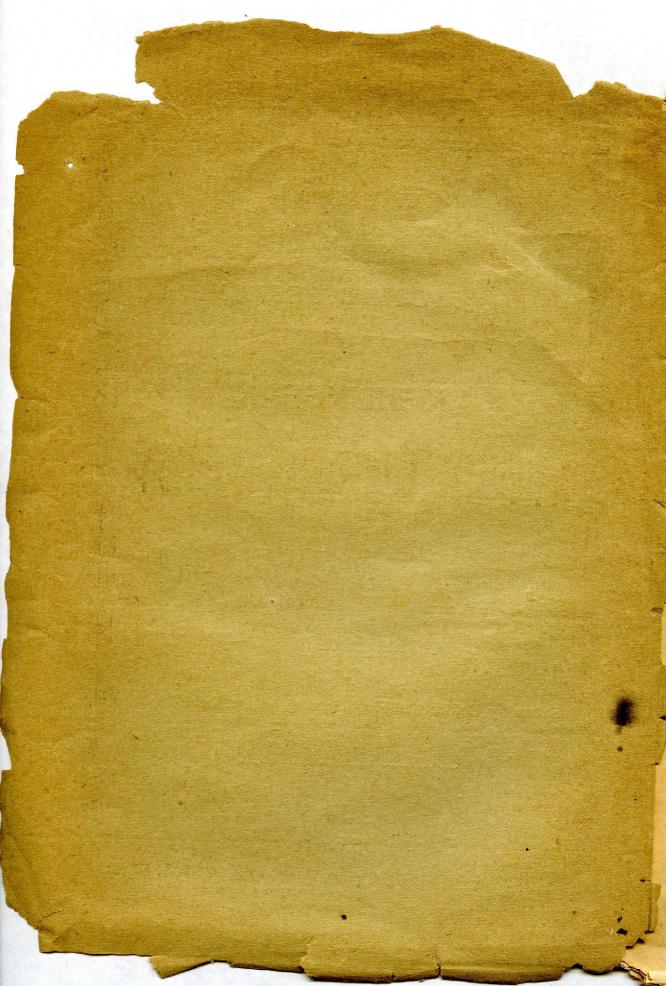
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PROCEEDINGS.

The introductory sermon was preached by Elder Samuel Moore

from Psalms 46: 1st, 2nd, 3rd and 4th verses.

After a short intermission the Association came together and was organized by appointing Elder Henry Peal, Moderator, and Elder M. T. Lawrence, Clerk, and brethren S. W. Outterbridge and Wm. Slade

Visiting ministers and brethren from sister associations were invited

to seats.

The following committees were appointed: On Finance, brethren B. I. Alsbrook and Mc. Brantley. On Arrangements of preaching, brethren Simon Ward and David Hardison and moderator and clerk.

Elders W. S. Broom, J. A. Burch and E. E. Lundy preached at

the stand to-day.

Letters from 37 churches were received and names of messengers and standing of churches were enrolled in table of churches.

Called for correspondence, when the following were received:

White Oak-Elder Isaac Jones and minutes.

Contentnea-Elder T. C. Hart and John R. Rowe and minutes.

Country Line—Elders J. A. Burch and J. M. Harris and minutes.

Black Creek-Elder P. D. Gold and minutes.

Little River—Elder Isaac Jones.

Toisnot—Elder A. J. Moore and minutes.

Eno-; Senter District-Minutes; Mayo-Minutes; Baltimore-Minutes; Mountain District-Elder Lundy and minutes; Mill Branch-; Upatoie-; New River-Minutes; Corresponding, Va.-Minutes; Abbott's Creek—Minutes; Warwick—Minutes; Salisbury—Elder W. W. Merideth and minutes; Delaware—Minutes; Delaware Rives—Minutes; Ocmulgee-Minutes; Staunton River-; Fisher's River-Minutes; Etcheconnec-Minutes. Elder T. S. Dalton from Bethel Association, Ill., Elder W. S. Broom from Red River Association, Tex., and brother C. Peal from Forked Deer Association, Tenn., were present as visitors.

Resolved, That we discontinue correspondence with the Ketocton

and Ebenezer Associations.

Agreed Committee on Finance distribute the minutes.

Elder Joshua T. Rowe was appointed to write a corresponding letter to be attached to these minutes.

Petitionary letters were called for; none received.

Resolved, That our next Association be held with the church at Flat Swamp, Martin county, N. C., and that Elder M. T. Lawrence be appointed to preach the introductory sermon, and Elder Charles Meads be his alternate. Worship to commence at 11 o'clock, a. m. Worship to begin tomorrow at 10 o'clock, a. m. The Association then adjourned until 9 o'clock Monday.

Elder W. W. Merideth introduced the service and preached from Luke 11th chapter 20th verse: "But if I with the finger of God cast out devils no doubt the kingdom of God is come upon you."

Elder T. S. Dalton followed and preached from 4th chapter Romans part of the 16th verse: "Therefore, it is of faith that it might be by

grace to the end the promise might be sure to all the seed."

After a short recess the services were resumed and Elder P. D. Gold preached from the first four verses of the 8th chapter Romans: "There is, therefore, now no condemnation to them which are in Christ Jesus," etc.

Elder Isaac Jones then followed and preached from Psalms 25th. 14th verse: "The secret of the Lord is with them that fear Him and He will show them His covenant."

There was a large congregation in attendance, and the Word was preached with power, and may it bring forth much fruit.

MONDAY, OCT. 3RD, 1898.

The Association assembled and was opened with praise and prayer by Elder T. S. Dalton, and proceeded to business.

The names of messengers were called over, and those absent marked

in table of churches.

Elders A. J. Moore, J. R. Rowe and J. M. Harris preached at the stand to-day.

The corresponding letter was called for, read and approved, and

ordered to be attached to these minutes.

The committee on finance reported as follows:

In hand of Treasurer at last Association. Paid for printing Minutes and postage. Clerk's fees.	DO 4 00	\$57 95
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Balance on hand		\$ 8 95 47 45
In hand of Treasurer at close of this Association		\$56 40

The following brethren were appointed messengers to sister Associations:

To Country Line, to be held at Wolf Island, Rockingham, county, N. C., Elder D. W. Topping and W. R. Brinn.

Baltimore—Elder J. T. Rowe and J. I. Ambrose.

Contentnea—Brethren I. W. Bass, S. W. Outterbridge.

White Oak--Elders G. D. Roberson and Samuel Moore, Bro. I. W. Bass.

Black Creek-Bro. J. M. Howell.

Toisnot-Bro. C. H. Spivy, W. C. Trevathan.

Abbott's Creek-Minutes.

Little River—Bro. W. C. Trevathan and Elder J. N. Rogerson. Elder J. T. Rowe, Va. Co. Meeting—Salisbury, Delaware, Delaware River and Warwick.

Eno-Brethren J. M. Howell and I. W. Bass.

Following brethren agreed to preach for the church at South Quay: Elder W. B. Strickland agreed to visit them Quarterly. Elders S. Hassell in July, Samuel Moore in April, D. W. Topping in August and G. D. Roberson in May.

Resolved, That we correspond by minutes with the following associations: Delaware River, Delaware, Corresponding, Va., Mountain District, Warwick, Salisbury, Mill Branch, Fisher's River, Upatoie, Ocmulgee, Mayo, Etcheconnee, Primitive Ebenezer, Senter District and New River.

Elder S. Hassell was appointed to write the obituary of Bro. J. E. Moore.

Resolved, That we return thanks to God and the brethren, sisters and friends in this community for their liberal hospitality and kindness in the entertainment of this Association.

Resolved, That this Association discountenances, forbids and condemns all kinds of trading and misbehavior on or around the Association grounds, and will in the future punish the same to the full extent of the law.

Resolved, That our Clerk have 2,500 copies of these minutes printed and distributed among the churches and the Associations with whom we correspond, and record one copy on our records, and that he be allowed \$15.00 for his services.

The Association then adjourned to the time and place appointed. HENRY PEAL, Moderator.

M. T. LAWRENCE, Clerk.

S. W. Outperbridge, Wm. Slade, Assistant Clerks.

Names of Ministers and their Postoffice Address.

J. I. Ambrose, J. D. Armstrong, A. J. Austin, Stephen Biggs, David Carter, †C. G. Dowdy, N. H. Harrison, Sylvester Hassell, J. W. Johnson, Lawrence Johnson, James H. Latham, M. T. Lawrence, †S. R. Ross, †Mc. P. Smith, †M. D. Twiford, †W, H. Peal, Charles Meades, Licentiates ma	Rocky Mount, Powell's Point, Scuppernong, Pungo River, Harbinger, Plymouth, Williamston, Leggett, Tarboro, Acresville, Hamilton, Oakley, Robersonville, East Lake, Williamston, Kehukee,	"	J. T. Rowe, †John S. Mcades, Samuel Moore, Henry Peel, John L. Ross, L. S. Ross, George D. Roberson, J. N. Rogerson, W. F. Staton, W. B. Strickland, D. W. Topping, L. E. Everett, A. D. Mizell, †N. W. Strickland, M. B. Williford, †S. R. Hardison, †W. H. Leggett, †A. L. Harrison, †J. W. Harrison,	Elizabeth City, I Kehukee, Bethel, Williamston, Stokes, Swan Quarter, Robersonville, Williamston, Scotland Neck, Scotland Neck, Pantego, Washington, Williamston, Spring Hope, Nashville, Amhurst, Scotland Neck, Plymouth,	N. C.
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Names of Churches, Clerks and their Postoffices.

Bear Grass,	J. H. D. Peal,	Williamston,	N. C.
Bethlehem, Tyrrell)	C. H. Davenport,	Columbia,	66
Bethlehem, (Pasquotank)	Elder Charles Meads,	Kehukee,	**
Beulah,	J. W. Lupton,	Sladeville,	••
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Concord,	A. W. Ambrose,	Cherry,	
Conoho,	N. M. Worsley,	Conoho,	11
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Deep Creek,	J. L. Whitehead,	Scotland Neck,	
Elim,	C. C. Aydlette,	Harbinger,	10
Falls Tar River,	I. W. Bass,	Rocky Mount,	- 16
Flat Swamp,	J. A. Robinson,	Robersonville,	11
Flatty Creek,	H. C. Boyd,	Kehukee,	
Great Swamp,	Leonidas Fleming,	House,	44
Hopeland,	J. C. Moore,	Whitakers,	"
Hamilton,	J. O. Salisbury,	Hamilton,	11
Jamesville,	J. E. Riddick,	Dardens,	- 11
Kehukee,	B. I. Alsbrook,	Scotland Neck.	- Che
Lawrences,	l. M. Howell,	Speed,	
Lebanon,	Edward Twiford,	East Lake,	16
Morattock,	A. L. Harrison,	Plymouth,	**
Mt. Zion.	F. L. Savage,	Hobgood,	- 11
Nashville,	John Stone,	Nashville,	
North Creek,	W, R. Brinn,	Yatesville,	- 16
Providence,	W. C. Beal,	Kitty Hawk,	- 41
Pungo,	H. L. Davis,	Pungo,	66
Rocky Swamp,	J. N. Shearin,	Heathville,	We.
Sandy Grove,	Mack Brantley,	Spring Hope,	
Singleton,	M. H. Singleton,	Washington,	**
Skewarkey,	Eli Taylor,	Williamston,	"
South Mattamuskeet,	Phillip M, Carawan,	Swan Quarter,	
South Quay,	G. A. Johnson,	Franklin,	
Sparta,	J. A. Cobb,	Falkland,	
Smithwick's Creek,	W. H. Daniel,	Amhurst,	- 6
Spring Green,	S. W. Outterbridge,	Robersonville,	
	B. B. Ricks.	Rocky Mount,	
Salem, Tarboro,	D. T. Billups,	Tarboro,	
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CORRESPONDING LETTER.

The Kehukee Association now in session with the church at Swithwick's Creek, Martin Co., N. C. To the Churches and Associations with whom we correspond, send-

eth greeting:

DEAR BRETHREN:—We are having a very good meeting indeed; all are well cared for and the blessed Saviour has come to us in the person of His servants and is enabling them to preach His glorious gospel to the comfort of our hungry souls. We receive your correspondents in love, and feel that it is a great blessing to us to have them come to us as they do in the fullness of the gospel of Christ, and pray God that we may never be deprived of your sweet fellowship, but that we may continue to receive your in love, and that you may feel to receive our messengers in the same spirit. ceive you in love, and that you may feel to receive our messengers in the same spirit. It is so sweet to meet and mingle together in the service of the blessed Jesus.

Our next session is appointed to be held, the Lord willing, with the church at Flat Swamp, Martin county, N. C., to commence on Saturday before the first Sunday in Oct. 1899, when and where we hope to meet many of you. Written by order of the

Association.

ELDER H. PEAL, Moderator. ELDER M. T. LAWRENCE, Clerk.

OBITUARY.

Bro. James Edwin Moore, son of Elder Clayton and Mrs. Elizabeth Smithwick Moore, was born near Jamesville, Martin County, N. C., January 30, 1841, and died at his home in Williamston, N. C., June 17, 1898. He was united in marriage February 1, 1870, to Miss Jane Stuart Sykes; and their six children, Bettie (wife of Dr. W. H. Harrell), Jennie, Mattie, James Edwin, Clayton, and Morris, are still living in Williamston, Brother Moore and his wife came before the church at Skewarky, near Williamston, Saturday, August 11, 1877, and, upon a relation of their spiritual exercises, were received to membership, and were baptized, in Roanoke River, the next day, by my father, Elder C. B. Hassell. He and I were classmates at the Williamston Academy in the fifties, and then classmates and roommates at the University of North Carolina (Chapel Hill), where our class graduated in 1862. He then entered and remained in the Confederate service until the end of the Civil War. I was baptized in January, 1864, and ordained to the ministry in August, 1874; and, after Brother Moore joined the church in 1877, our previous natural affection for each other was cemented by still stronger spiritual ties, which increased with revolving years, and which death, instead of severing, has only hallowed. About fifteen years before his death, he was licensed to exercise a gift which it was thought he had, although he did not at all seek such privilege. He spoke occasionally in church meetings, especially when no ordained minister was present, and his words were blessed to the comfort and edification of his brethren and sisters; he never solicited or desired ordination. He was an able lawyer, a wise counsellor, and a true patriot. If he had been willing to sacrifice principle to policy, he could have obtained high political office. He so much preferred the love and service of Christ to worldly honors, that he once declared to me that he would not give his pocket-handkerchief for the Presidency of the United States. He was gifted, fervent, and touching in public prayer. The earnest preaching of the pure and simple gospel of Christ often moved him to tears, even when every other eye in the congregation was dry. He loved to entertain his brethren at his home, and to converse with them and with his family on religious subjects. He thoroughly disapproved of vain speculations in our pulpits and periodicals; and he heartily condemned heated controversies, tending to divisions, on minor and on mysterious subjects; he thought that such evils sprang from ignorance, weakness, and pride. Although he had a fine physical appearance, generally weighing about two hundred pounds, he suffered the most of his life from some kind of indigestion, which may have been somewhat hereditary, and which was probably increased by great intellectual and little physical exercise. During the last three months of 1897 and the first two or three months of 1898, he had acute pain just below the stomach, believed to have been caused by a morbid growth in his duodenum; and, after being relieved of this, he was extremely nervous and feeble, and became very pale and thin. He had the best medical attention from Dr. Harrell and from specialists in Baltimore. When not able to walk or ride out a mile into the country to attend our meetings at Skewarky, he still attended ride out a mile into the country to attend our meetings at Skewarky, he still attended our meetings at the hall in town, and he greatly enjoyed this privilege. The last of these meetings that he attended was on the first Sunday in April. I spoke from Zech. xiii. 7-9. He was melted down in reflecting upon the sufferings of Christ in connection with his own sufferings, and the blessed consolations of the gospel of the Son of God seemed sweeter and richer to him than ever before. He was enabled to manifest wonderful patience in his sufferings, and he was so completely resigned to his Heavenly Father that he said he would not raise his hand to change the will of the Lord in regard to his living or dying. As the light of a new day dawned upon the Western Hemisphere on Friday, June 17, 1898, I believe that the light of the eternal morning dawned upon our dear brother, and that his ransomed spirit, without a struggle or a pang, leaving its tenement of clay, ascended, through light of the eternal morning dawned upon our dear brother, and that his ransomed spirit, without a struggle or a pang, leaving its tenement of clay, ascended, through rich and reigning grace, into the immediate, holy, and blissful presence of God. At 3 p. m. on Sunday, June 19th, services lasting fifteen minutes, consisting of a few remarks on his life and faith and death, the reading of 1 Cor. xv. 35-58 and of one of his favorite hymns, "Religion is the chief concern of mortals here below," and a brief prayer, were held at his late residence; and, after his favorite Psalm, the Nineteenth, and the hymn of which he was fondest, "Rock of Ages, cleft for me," were repeated at the grave, his remains were interred, in the presence of a goodly concourse of friends, in the New Cemetery at Williamston, N. C.; and from this condition of corruption and mortality we expect his body to be raised to a condition of incorruption and immortality by the power and mercy of the Lord Jesus Christ at His second personal bodily coming to this world.

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