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REPRESENTATION.

Atlantic-Not represented except by letter. Bayboro-J. R. Taylor. Bay Creek-Not represented. Bear Creek-J. A. Burns, J. B. Olive. Beaufort-M. L. Davis, Richard Felton, J. W. Noe, R. E. Whitehurst. Capernaum-John Loyd, Owen Morton, G. F. Riggs. Christian Hope-Not represented. Cool Spring-J. B. Olive. Davis Shore-O. F. Davis, John A. Salter, Geo. W. Salter. Enon Chapel-Not represented except by letter. Marshalberg-M. T. Lewis. Maysville-Not represented. Moore's Chapel-Not represented. Morehead City-T. D. Webb, L. L. Leary, M. S. Webb, Mrs. M. S. Webb, S. P Willis New Bern-First Church-H. C. Moore, J. C. Whitty, S. M. Brinson. New Bern-Tabernacle-A. H. Harnly. Oregon-J. H. Rich. Oriental-J. R. Taylor. Piney Grove-J. B. Olive. Smyrna-S. W. Handcock. Miss Irene B. Simpson. Swansboro-J. B. Olive, Miss Eureka Young, Miss Sada Furlong. Truitt-Not represented except by letter. Vandemere-J. T. Miller, Richard Lincoln. Woodville-Not represented except by letter.

Constitution.

1. This Association shall be known as the "Atlantic Baptist Association." 2. It shall be composed of the pastors and of the delegates elected by the churches connected with it, each church being entitled to three delegates, unless the membership shall exceed fifty, and then there shall be an additional delegate for every twenty-five members. Every church having a Ladies' Missionary Society shall be entitled to one additional female delegate to represent it on the Woman's Central Committee.

3. Its object shall be the promotion of the Redeemer's Kingdom by securing the co-operation of its churches for their edification and for the spread of the gospel according to our faith and order.

4. The "New Hampshire Declaration of Faith" shall be the summary of Divine Truth for determining questions of faith or order in this body; and churches desiring to be received must signify their acquaintance with it, in substance, together with the covenant herewith submitted, and this Constitution.

5. This Association shall not annul the discipline of a church, or exercise authority over it. But it may advise, and it may sever from its connection any church that neglects to preserve gospel order, or that treats with contempt the objects or advice of the Association.

6. Each church shall send to the Association, at its annual session, a statement of (1) its locality; (2) the name of its pastor, clerk, clerk's post office, delegates and ministers other than the pastor; (3) Sunday or Sundays of regular service; (4) the church statistics; (5) Sunday School statistics; (6) contributions to (a) Associational Missions, (b) State Missions, (c) Home Missions, (d) Foreign Missions, (e) Education, (f) Colportage, (g) Sunday School Missions, (h) Orphanage, (i) Ministerial Relief, (j) Houses of Worship, (k) Minute Fund, (l) other objects.

7. Whenever a church shall not represent itself at an annual session of the Association, either by delegate or letter, or whenever a church shall not report something contributed for missions inquiry shall be made for the cause; effort shall be made to revive the church and induce it to do its duty, and this effort shall be continued till the church be recovered or dropped from the Association.

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8. The officers of the Association shall be a Moderator, a Clerk, a Historian, and a Treasurer, elected annually by ballot from among its members, to serve until their successors shall have been elected, and to perform the duties usual to such officers, the Moderator, in presiding, the Clerk in recording and preserving minutes and other papers belonging to the body, and the Treasurer in receiving and disbursing according to its will all funds belonging to or entrusted to the body, the Historian in keeping a record of the work and progress of the Association, and report at each annual session.

9. The Association shall appoint annually an Executive Board of five, to whom shall be entrusted the prosecution of the Associational Missions, and any other work which this body may refer to them, and who shall, as far as practicable, co-operate with the State Mission Board in supplying the destitution in our territory, and between the meetings of the Association take such action as may seem to them advisable for the advancement of its objects. The Board shall present to the Association at its annual meeting a report of all its proceedings with the Treasurer's report of all receipts and disbursements, and with the names of its missionaries, time of service and details of their work.

10. The annual session of the Association shall begin on Wednesday morning after second Sunday in September, at such place as may be chosen, and an Introductory Sermon shall be delivered on the first day of the session. Representatives from a majority of the churches shall constitute a quorum.

11. This Constitution may be amended at any annual session by a twothirds vote of the members present.

By-Laws.

1. The daily session of the Association shall be opened and closed with prayer.

2. Delegates shall be recognized by letters from their churches designating them as such.

3. The Moderator shall recognize corresponding messengers or the delegates of newly received churches by extending to them his right hand.

4. The Clerk shall provide blank letters for the use of the churches of the Association previous to the meeting of the Association, superintend the publication and distribution of the minutes, preserve a file of them and have it present at each annual session, read the proceedings of the preceding session at the beginning of each morning session, and the last day's proceedings at the close of the annual session.

5. Members desiring to speak shall first rise and address the Moderator; shall use the term "brother," in speaking to each other; shall not speak on the same subject more than twice without permission, and shall observe the courtesy that becomes Christians.

6. Members shall not absent themselves from the session without permission.

7. The roll of members shall be called at least once, and absentees marked.

8. Corresponding messengers and visiting brethren shall be invited to seats, with privilege of speaking but not of voting.

9. A copy of the Minutes shall be sent to the Secretary of the State Mission Board, also one copy to the Secretary of the Southern Baptist Convention, and one to the American Baptist Publication Society, 1420 Chestnut street, Philadelphia, and one to the Field Secretary for Sunday Schools. in North Carolina.

10. All questions of order not herein provided shall be decided by "Kerfoot's Parliamentary Law."

11. The report of the Eexecutive Board and the missionary work of the Association, shall take precedence of all other business during the morning session of the second day of the annual session.

12. The general order of business shall be:

(1) Reading church letters and enrollment of delegates.

Election of officers. (2)

(3) Petitionary letters.

(4) Appointment of committees for this session.

(5) Appointment of standing committees.

Report of committees on churches delinquent at the previous session, (6)

(7) Reports of standing committees.

Reports of other committees. (9)

Miscellaneous business.

PROCEEDINGS.

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BEAUFORT, N. C., September 11, 1901.

The Atlantic Baptist Association met in its 18th annual session with the Beaufort church at 11 a. m. Devotional exercises were conducted by Rev. J. W. Cobb.

In the absence of the Moderator, H. C. Moore, Chm. Ex. Com., called the body to order. Delegates, with letters from thirteen churches, were enrolled, many others coming in later. After the reading of letters by A. H. Harnly and A. W. Setzer, reading clerks appointed by Moderator, the following officers were elected: Moderator-S. M. Brinson; Clerk-J. N. Tolar; Treasurer-M. S. Webb; Historian-H. C. Moore.

A. H. Harnly and J. N. Tolar, committee appointed by Moderator on order of business, made the following report for afternoon and evening session:

2:30-Report on Temperance. 3:30-Report on Sunday Schools. 7:30-Introductory Sermon.

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J. W. Cobb (Biblical Recorder), B. W. Spilman (Field Sec. Sunday School Board), C. W. Blanchard (Pastor church at Kinston), were welcomed to seats by Moderator.

B. W. Spilman responded to the address of welcome by J. N. Tolar, pastor of the Beaufort church. The Moderator appointed J. C. Whitty to read report on Sunday Schools, the appointee being absent. The hand of welcome was extended to the new pastor on the Pamlico Field, J. R. Taylor. On motion Association adjourned to meet at 2:30 p.m. Benediction by A. W. Setzer.

FIRST DAY-AFTERNOON SESSION.

Association was called to order at 2:30 by Moderator. Praver by J. R. Taylor.

Report on Temperance was read by J. B. Olive as follows:

REPORT ON TEMPERANCE.

Believing, as we do, that intemperance is one of the greatest evils in our land, we are bound to admit that it is a great hindrance to the progress of religion. Therefore we, as Baptists, ought to unite our forces against the

use of all intoxicating liquors, opium, and everything that has a tendency

Therefore, be it Resolved, That we, the pastors and members of the dif-

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ferent churches of the Atlantic Association use every effort possible to discontinue the use and sale of the same in all sections of our State.

J. B. OLIVE, For Committee.

After quite a free discussion by J. B. Olive, C. W. Blanchard, A. H. Harnly and J. C. Whitty, the report was adopted. The report on Sunday Schools was read by J. C. Whitty as fol-

lows:

REPORT ON SUNDAY SCHOOLS.

The Sunday School has been called the Military Academy of the Church; in it the young are to be prepared by the study of the Bible to be ready to enter into the Army of the Lord and do valiant service for Him. Perhaps three fourths, if not nine tenths, of the additions to our churches can be traced to the training and influences had while attending the Sabbath School. Therefore, we cannot too earnestly insist upon the establishment and maintenace of the Sunday School in the churches embraced in our Association. And to foster and create a more intense interest can only be had when we as individuals (and when I say we I mean every one here on this occasion) shall be so much in earnest as to not only punctually attend ourselves, but to do all in our power to influence others. It is while attend ourselves, but to do an in our power to innuence others. It is write the human heart is young, soft, and susceptible to good influences that we should strive to impress upon it the precious truths of the Bible and the blessings of Christianity. I fear that our work in the Sunday School is too often done in a perfunctory way instead of putting our hearts into it and realizing with all the earnestness of our souls the importance of leadand realizing with an one the three may be some things we cannot do, but this one thing we can do. We can take our Bibles and go to Sunday School, and by our precept and example help to lead others to Him who loved them

Respectfully submitted,

J. C. WHITTY.

After inspiring addresses by J. C. Whitty and B. W. Spilman the report was adopted.

The hand of welcome was now extended by the Moderator to N. L. Gaskins, the new pastor on the East Carteret Field. On motion, Association adjourned to meet at 7:30. Benediction by B. W. Spilman.

FIRST DAY-EVENING SESSION.

Association met according to adjournment at 7:30. Introductory sermon was preached by H. C. Moore. Text Haggai 2:4. Splendid Sermon!

After the sermon the Moderator called the Association to order and announced the following Committees:

FINANCE-J. C. Whitty, N. L. Gaskins, S. A. Starling. OBITUARIES-A. W. Setzer, John Loyd, M. T. Lewis,

TO NOMINATE DELEGATES TO CONVENTIONS-J. R. Taylor, Owen Martin, J. W. Noe.

CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT-A. H. Harnly, Richard Felton, R. E. Whitehurst.

TO NOMINATE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE-J. B. Olive, A. W.Setzer, M. L. Davis.

PLACE AND PREACHER-H. C. Moore, S. W. Handcock, J. F. Riggs.

Committee on Order of Business made the following report for to-morrow, which was adopted:

A. M. 9:30-Devotional exercises. A. M. 10:00-Report on Periodicals. A M. 11:00-Report of Executive Committee. A. M. 11:30-Report on State Missions. P. M. 2:30-Report on Orphanage. P. M. 3:30-Report on Education. P. M. 7:30-Doctrinal Sermon. P. M. 8:15-Report on Home Missions.

On motion, Association adjourned to meet to-morrow at 9:30 a. m. Benediction by H. C. Moore.

SECOND DAY-MORNING SESSION.

BEAUFORT, N. C., Sept. 12, 1901.

Association met this morning at 9:30 according to adjournment. Devotional exercises were conducted by J. B. Newton. Moderator called Association to order and welcomed the following brethren to seats: S. F. Conrad (N. C. Baptist) and L. Johnson (Cor. Sec. of Baptist State Convention).

Minutes of yesterday were read and approved. Pledges for Sunday Schools were made, amounting to \$45.00.

In the absence of a written report on Periodicals, the discussion was entered into without the report. J. W. Cobb, B. W. Spilman, S. F. Conrad, H. C. Moore and A. W. Setzer addressed the Association respectively-for Biblical Recorder, Sunday School Board Literature, N. C. Baptist, Atlantic Messenger and Foreign Mission Journal.

H. C. Moore read report of Ex. Com. as follows:

REPORT OF EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE.

The Association requires of its Executive Committee a fourfold work: (1) the prosecution of Associational Missions; (2) such other work as the body may refer to them; (3) co-operating with the State Mission Board in supplying our destitution; and (4) whatever action between annual meet-ings may seem to them advisable. Furthermore in the report of the Board

must be included an account of its proceedings, the report of the Treasurer, and a review of the Mission work of the Association. In accordance with these instructions we beg leave to submit the following report:

I. THE WORK SINCE LAST ASSOCIATION.

1. The first work of the Committee was to map out our territory, ascertain the need, and seek to supply it as fully as possible. The various fields, operating on a minimum basis, asked for outside aid amounting to \$900. These requests were endorsed by a majority of the Committee, laid before the State Board and granted without any reduction.

2. With the close of our last Associational year two of our most important fields were left pastorless by the removal of pastors Aden and Carroll from the Pamlico and East Carteret Fields, respectively. An interval of several months elapsed in each case before the Committee acting with the churches and the State Board was able to secure their successors. But it esteems the Association fortunate in securing the services of two consecrated young men: Bro. J. R. Taylor for the former and Bro. N. L. Gaskins

3. In accordance with the instructions of the Association relative to 3. In accordance with the instructions of the Association relative effecting an arrangement with the State Board whereby State Mission funds raised in our churches should be expended at home, the Treasurer has received and paid out by advice and apportionment of the committee to the Missionaries, the sum of \$148.27 during the year.

4. The request of the Convention Committee that the Atlantic Associa-4. The request of the proposed \$100,000 fund for Education in N. C. having been referred to us, the following advice was given: Since in our churches about \$1,000 had been contributed to similar funds just before this move ment started, and now that a school is proposed under the auspices of this Association, therefore it was advised that the Association seek to raise the

amount apportioned on condition that it be applied to the proposed school. 5. Several members of the Volunteer Mission Corps who agree to hold meetings for expenses have operated in some of our destitute sections

6. The Committee has encouraged the organization of Sunday Schools in Churches not having them. At least two, and probably more, schools

7. The indebtedness of the Maysville church was looked into by the Committee two members personally visiting the town for inquiry and conference. We regret to say that the conditions under which pledges were made to cancel this debt have not as yet been met: That is, the \$50 each to be raised by the Maysville church and the Neuse Assocation have not been raised. However, we asked the churches to raise the amounts pledged or to hold themselves in readiness to do so. We are gratified that several have recently responded and it is our hope that the title of the property will be made satisfactory and the debt canceled in the near future.

II. UNREPRESENTED CHURCHES

To the Committee was referred last year the matter of investigating the condition of two churches which had failed of representation either by letter

(1). The Maysville church is part of the Jones county field now belonging to the Neuse Association. It has been regularly supplied with preaching, being now in the temporary care of Rev. S. E. Garner. It also has a S. S. under the superintendency of Bro. J. E. McCutchen, who though not a member of the church is yet a zealous Baptist recently come from South Carolina. The paucity of members, especially males, the irregularity of church conferences, the oppression of the church debt, the struggle for existence in the midst of a primitive atmosphere, together with an indifference more of oversight than design, have caused the lack of representation.

The Committee expected the church to be certainly represented at this session but is again disappointed; it is due possibly to unsettled conditions from recent pastoral changes.

(2) The Oregon church is in Beaufort county, is a part of the field now occupied by Rev. J. H. Rich, and is in the territory embraced in the Tar River Association. The church was at the point of collapse when early last year Rev. J. S. Corpening, of Washington, began preaching there once a month. Later he held a meeting resulting in seven baptisms and the re-establishment of the church in regular order. Since then there have been signs of progress, the painting of the church building, the securing of regular preaching by Bro. Rich, and five other accessions during the present year. The Committee is glad to report that the church is represented this year both by its pastor and a hopeful letter.

III. OUR MISSIONARIES AND THEIR WORK.

The pastors of twenty-two of the twenty-four churches in the Atlantic Association have required outside aid in order to their support during the year. As at present constituted our Mission work falls into ten sections, five groups of churches and five individual churches.

1. THE ONSLOW FIELD, in charge of Rev. C. B. Paul, includes our Churches at Swansboro, Atlantic, and Enon Chapel; Bro. Paul also serves the church at Jacksonville which is in the Eastern Association. It was at first designed to include Piney Grove, but later this was transferred to the care of Bro. Olive. Only Atlantic received help from the Board; the amount was \$25. The work there is difficult but substantial progress has been made.

THE ONSLOW-CARTERET FIELD, embracing three churches in Onslow-Bear Creek, Capernaum, and Piney Grove-and one in Carteret-Cool Springs is under the pastoral care of Rev. J. B. Olive. An appropriation of \$25 was granted to each of these churches. The Capernaum and Cool Spring Churches have been engaged in building during the year.

3. THE PAMLICO FIELD has been in charge of Rev. J. R. Taylor since the 15th of March, 1901. It includes five churches: Bayboro, Bay Creek, Oriental and Vandemere in Pamlico, and Truitt in Craven. The appropriation to this field was \$250 The three last named churches are without houses of worship. Active efforts are being put forth for the erection of a building at Oriental.

4. THE EAST CARTERET FIELD now includes three churches-Marshalberg, Smyrna, Davis and one mission point, Atlantic. For more than half the year this field was pastorless but the first of July Rev. N. L. Gaskins was secured and since then has been doing regular work. The Marshalberg church is struggling to build its house of worship. At Atlantic the house secured some years ago by Rev. W. N. Johnson is now dilapidated and the title either is misplaced or was not secured. The appropriation for the field was \$175.

5. THE BEAUFORT AND WOODVILLE CHURCHES are under the ministry of Rev. J. N. Tolar. The former was granted an appropriation of \$100 and the latter \$25. The work at Beaufort was never in more hopeful condition in all of its phases while Woodville, to which Bro. Tolar gives one Saturday night and one Sunday morning service a month is taking on new life. In this work is also included the North River Mission where a colony of Baptists was discovered. Bro. Tolar preaches here one Sunday afternoon in each month.

6. THE TABERNACLE, NEW BERN, under the ministry of Rev. A. H. Harnly, reports progress in the reduction of its debt, the improvement of its property, and the increase of its membership. Bro. Harnly has also preached regularly one Sunday afternoon each month at Olympia, a promising mission point four miles north of New Bern. The appropriation from the Board to the Tabernacle was \$200.

7. MOORE'S CHAPEL, five miles west of Morehead City, was granted

\$25 from the Board and entrusted to the oversight of Rev. A. W. Setzer, of Morehead City. The care of the Church has been assumed by Rev. Baylus Cade who has organized a S. S., served faithfully as its Superintendent and given the Church his ministerial services for two Sundays a month.

8. CHRISTIAN HOPE in Onslow is in charge of Rev. N. A. Shelley whose other churches lie in the Eastern Association. He preaches there each Saturday and Sunday night before the fourth Sunday. He reports that the church needs a house of worship, since now they have to worship in a free

9. OREGON, as already stated, is in Beaufort County and under the ministry of Rev. J. H. Rich. Since this church was included in a Tar River Mission field, receiving an appropriation of \$300, we have not had direct supervision of its work.

10. MAYSVILLE, like Oregon, is connected with a field in another Association (the Neuse) by which it is supplied with preaching. Therefore

we can only refer to the statistics of that church for an account of its work. To present some features of the work of our Missionaries not usually given in the minutes the following approximate tabular summary is pre-

MISSIONARY	No. Churches.	Aggregate Membership	No. Homes Represented	ggregate Audiences	Number Accessions.	o. Services Held.	. Visits for Year.	Mission Points.
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N. A. Shelley J. R. Taylor	1 5	54	150 20	700		130	250	-
J. N. Tolar	2 2	$134 \\ 175$	75 85	775 900	3	22 69	167	3
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IV. RECEIPTS AND DISBURSEMENTS.

The report of the Treasurer for the Associational year now closing is as follows: Oct. 19, 1900. To amount received from Financial Committee at Morehead City. State Missions\$ 148 27 Sunday Schools Orphanage Ministerial Support 10 00 Education 15 98 Minute Fund 18 68 4 99 24 36 July 6th, Enon Chapel, Rev. A. W. Setzer: \$ 255 79 State Missions Foreign Missions 15 00 3 00 \$ 273 79

Amount paid out by treasurer. October 19th, 1900. By amount paid J. N. Tolar, Minute Fund\$ March 30th, 1900. By amount paid A. W. Setzer March 30th, 1900. By amount paid J. B. Olive March 30th, 1900. By amount paid A. H. Harnly. March 30th, 1900. C. B. Paul per J. B. Olive March 30th, 1900. By amount paid J. R. Taylor per T. J. Mitchell.	6 34 35 33 8	36 00 00 33 00 94
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December 17, 1900. Amount paid State Treasurer: December 17, 1900. Home Missions	13 10 18	66 00 68 99
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Balance on hand, \$ 18 00

FINALLY, BRETHREN, in submitting our report we confess amazement at the magnitude of the work to be done in our territory. We are on soil consecrated by the labors of the staunchest of the Baptist fathers; here wrought some of the founders of our Convention; and once the most promising of our churches dotted these plains by the sounding sea. Alas, the strife sowers and heretics came in and did their deadly work. And while pastors were alarmed and flocks scattered, the disciples of Campbell and Wesley saw and seized their opportunity to enter and possess the land. Hence, it is that to-day we labor in a section which is the jeremiad of North Carolina Baptists. Our needs are great and manifold: deeper spiritually and greater efficiency in churches organized; more ministers and more money to support them; a thick sowing of our territory with good religious literature, especially doctrinal and missionary; the organization and equipment of efficient Sunday Schools in most of our churches and at several mission points; and-well, where shall we stop till the cry of destitution is transformed into the shout of victory?

But the skies are brightening; if we are faitaful, the coming day will be more glorious than that which was lost to our fathers. Yea, if we are faithful!

HIGHT C. MOORE, For Committee.

The following missionaries were present and reported from their fields respectively:

A. W. Setzer-Moore's Chapel.

N. L. Gaskins-East Carteret Field. A. H. Harnley-Tabernacle (New Bern) and Olympia.

J. R. Taylor-Pamlico Field.

J. N. Tolar-Beaufort and Woodville.

After remarks by C. W. Blanchard, A. H. Harnly and J. C. Whitty, the report of Ex. Com. was adopted.

On motion the Ex. Committee was instructed to adjust the condi-

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tion of the Maysville church in as satisfactory a manner as possible, both in the interest of the Church and the Association.

On motion, the report on State Missions was substituted for the Doctrinal Sermon this evening at 7:30.

The Moderator supplied vacancies in Committees as follows:

Periodicals-L. L. Leary, J. C. Whitty, N. L. Gaskins. Orphanage-A. H. Harnly, M. S. Webb, S. A. Starling. Education-H. C. Moore

On motion Association adjourned to meet at 2:30 p.m. Benediction by L. Johnson.

SECOND DAY-AFTERNOON SESSION.

Moderator called Association to order at 2:30. S. F. Conrad lead in praver. Roll of delegates was called. Moderator welcomed to a seat J. H. Rich, pastor of the Oregon Church.

The report on Orphanage was read by A. H Harnly as follows:

REPORT ON ORPHANAGE.

The Baptist Orphanage at Thomasville is one of the practical fruits of the religion of Jesus Christ. This institution cares for two hundred children, giving them not only a comfortable home and a parent's care, if not love, but giving them also a liberal practical education. It is not only an orphanage but an industrial school as well sending out into the world young men and women who know how to do something, and who have been taught to rely upon themselves. To support the orphanage is a work of patriotism, therefore, as well as a work of Charity. It makes far better citizenship. Extensive permanent improvements have been made during the past year, in enlarging buildings and especially in the erection and equipment of the Mills Memorial building. These improvements have greatly enlarged the usefulness of the institution. The work of greatest importance now in hand is the completion of a thorough system of water works and sewerage. The cost of these imperative improvements will be about three thousand dollars, of which only \$828.19 had been paid in when the Treasurer last reported. It is the opinion of the Committee that every church in the Association, which has not already done so, should without delay make an appropriation for this purpose. The security of the lives of these children may depend upon the speedy completion of this work. Additional buildings are urgently needed for the accommodation of the many applicants for admis-sion for whom room cannot now be made. This work must depend largely upon men of means and consecration, and it is believed the Baptist of North Carolina are not wanting in such. The Committee urges that every Sunday school in the Association observe "Orphanage Sunday" once a month, and in order to increase the schools interest in the orphanage, use in the school as many copies as possible of "Charity and Children," the best paper of its kind published. It is a sentiment maker and a purse opener, and should be given the widest possible circulation.

A. H. HARNLY, for Committee.

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A. H. Harnly, A. W. Setzer, J. C. Whitty spoke to this report.

A cash collection for the water works was taken, amounting to \$10.00. The report was adopted.

The report on Education was read by H. C. Moore as follows:

REPORT ON EDUCATION.

There are four phases of denominational education which claim our consideration, sympathy and support:

1. Preparatory. For primary education and preparation for college or practical life we commend unhesitatingly and earnestly the Associational School soon to be opened at Morehead City.

2. Collegiate. For young men. Wake Forest College is one of the first institutions in the land. It has been an untold blessing to North Carolina Baptist through all the years of its history. Never so strong or efficient as now, it heartily deserves our patronage and our prayers.

3. Collegiate. For Young Women. No school for girls in our State has risen so rapidly, secured so many friends, and done so magnificent a work in proportion to its years as the Baptist Female University of Ra-

leigh. Unreservedly it is to be commended to our people. 4. Theological. The best opportunities for the training of the Ministers in our Southland are afforded in the Southern Baptist Theological Seminary of Louisville, Ky.

H. C. MOORE.

The report was adopted after pledges had been made amounting

to \$65.50. (See table.) On motion Association adjourned until 7:30.

Benediction by J. H. Rich.

SECOND DAY-EVENING SESSION.

Moderator called Association to order promptly at 7:30. Hymn -"All Hail the Power of Jesus Name."

Report on State Missions was made by H. C. Moore as follows:

REPORT ON STATE MISSIONS.

Our State Mission work in North Carolina attempts the solution of three great problems: The relief of denominational destitution in the East, the supply of the factory population in the Piedmont section and educational work in the mountains. It should be said that the Home Mission Board co-operates with our State Board in the mountain work and has 27 missionaries in the factory towns. We have now about one hundred missionaries in the employ of our State Board. In addition, 50 young women have been sent to teach in the mountains, each agreeing to give two months free, the Board bearing only their expenses.

The Convention instructed the Board to plan out operations for this year on a basis of \$25,000. This was done and the work is moving forward most encouragingly. But up to date the Treasurer is able to report only a little over \$6,000 paid in; so that we must raise nearly \$8,000 a month, or we must report a debt at Winston in December. This can easily be done if there is concerted action; for we have a thousand churches contributing to this work. Yet there are 595 that show no financial interest in the work

Surely any other churches in this State could be sooner excused from contributions to this work than those in our territory. First of all, we are in the midst of a destitution which calls loudly for the most generous aid. And again, we are recipients of help from the State Mission Board to the

extent of \$900 for this year; and we could wisely expend \$1200 next year. In view of the Board's increase in appropriations and the need of yet further enlargement, we most earnestly urge our churches to increase their contributions to State Missions at least 25 per cent. for the coming

HIGHT C. MOORE.

Pending the motion to adopt this report, Rev. L. Johnson, Cor. Sec., delivered a stirring address on mission work in the State. The report was then adopted.

On motion the Ex. Committee was instructed to co-operate with the Cor. Secretary in any special plans he should devise for the additional development of the benevolent objects of the Convention.

A cash collection for State Missions was taken, amounting to \$5.20.

A. W. Setzer read the report on Home Missions as follows:

REPORT ON HOME MISSIONS.

The Home Mission Board, located at Atlanta, Ga., is a creature of and is fostered by the Southern Baptist Convention. The work it has done and is now engaged in doing may be divided into three distinct but vitally

Preaching the Gospel.

Establishing and fostering educational enterprises.

Building churches.

These features of work go hand in hand in every locality in which the Board operates.

The following summary of work done last year will give an idea of the vastness of this enterprise; Missionaries 811; churches and stations, supplied, 2,660; members received, 13,800; churches constituted, 162; houses of worship built and improved, 209; Sunday schools organized, 511; amount of money received by the Board, \$91,075.11.

The field of our Home Board embraces all the States south of, and including Maryland, Kentucky and Missouri, together with Oklahoma and Indian Territories and the Island of Cuba. The Board divides its work into

MOUNTAIN REGIONS, FRONTIER WORK, FOREIGN POPULATION, WORK AMONG THE NEGROES, WORK IN CITIES, AND CUBA.

The work of the Home Board is basal, and is important in that it prepares the way and lays the foundation upon which the denomination must build, and develops and fosters weak and important enterprises in many of the Southern States.

Some one has said that, "Home Missions have always been the source of supply for all other missionary and educational enterprises." It is clear to every one that we cannot hope to enlarge our efforts abroad until we have developed our home resources, and no one will deny that the enlarged activity in Foreign Missions is in no small degree the result of the work of the Home Board.

MOUNTAIN REGIONS.

The territory thus denominated embraces parts of Virginia, North Carolina, South Carolina, Georgia, Tennessee, Kentucky and Alabama. This work is, for the most part educational. The majority of these mountain people are Baptists, but they need more and better schools, a better educated ministry; and if these are not supplied, it is only a question of a few years when these mountain sections of our country can be no longer reckoned as Baptist strongholds.

FRONTIER WORK.

By frontier work we do not mean now what was once meant by that term. Years ago this work was largely, if not chiefly, among the Indians. Frontier work now means, mainly, to furnish the gospel to our own people who have flowed in great tides from the older States to the West and South-west frontiers of our Southern country. Taking the advice of Horace Greely: "Go West, young man, go West" large numbers of our own people have settled along these frontiers and are without Gospel privileges. The Secretary of the Board has said that every dollar the Board receives could be used in this work and then the need would hardly be supplied.

FOREIGN POPULATION.

There are now several millions of foreigners living in the territory embraced by the Southern Baptist Convention and the number is increasing every year. We are bound to be affected by their foreign ideas and modes of life, unless we meet them with the gospel. They must be evangelized or our free institutions will be imperiled.

WORK IN CITIES.

Strong appeals are being made to the Board for aid in the work in our large cities. Our State Boards are unable to do this work unaided. These cities are and will be sources of a great stream of influences socially, politically and religiously, hence the vital importance of this department of the Board's work.

WORK AMONG THE NEGROES.

In the territory embraced by the Southern Baptist Convention there is a negro population of about eight millions. What will become of them-rather what will become of us if they are not reached with the gospel? The Home Board in co-operation with a number of State Boards and the Home Mission Society has engaged in what is known as a New Era Institute work. This effort has proved a great blessing to these people.

CUBA.

This is the day of opportunity with Cuba. The great bulk of the population of this Island must be looked after by the Home Board or nothing will be done for them. Appeals were made and Southern Baptists gave liberally for Cuba while it was yet under Spanish tyrrany, and accompanied their gifts with a prayer for a more open door. When patience was exhausted, our nation rushed to arms and poured out the blood of our soldiers together with the treasuries of our country to free Cuba. Cuba is free. The doors are wide open for the Gospel Messenger and the evangelization of these people lies largely with Southern Baptists. To successfully prosecute this work, the Board must have contributions and men.

NORTH CAROLINA AND THE HOME BOARD.

For many years the Home Board has aided North Carolina in her mission work. Many of our strongest and most liberal churches attest the liberality of this Board to us. Since our Convention has acquired new territory by the union of the two Conventions at Greenville in 1898, our dependence on the Home Board has been increased. Nobly has this Board come to our help by such increased appropriations as the leaders in our denomination thought proper to suggest.

In the language of the late and lamented Secretary of the Home Board "let us not level down any other enterprise but level up the work of Home Missions.

Your Committee desires to express in this report its deep sorrow occasioned by the death of Rev. Franklin H. Kerfoot, D. D., L. L. D., the honored and efficient secretary of the Home Board.

A. W. SETZER, for Com.

Pending the adoption of this report B. W. Spilman, Field Sec. of the Sunday School Board, delivered an inspiring address on Home Missions. The report was adopted.

The Com. to nominate Ex. Committee made the following nominations which were adopted:

H. C. Moore, Chairman, L. L. Leary, T. J. Mitchell, W. J. Montford, Richard Felton.

J. H. Rich made a few remarks concerning his work; after which the following order of business for to-morrow was adopted :

A. M. 9:30-Devotional exercises.

A. M. 10:00-Report of Special Committee on Associational School.

A. M. 11:15-Report on Ministerial Relief Board.

A. M. 11:45-Miscellaneous Business. P. M. 7:30-Doctrinal sermon.

P. M. 8:15-Report on Foreign Missions. P. M. 9:30-Closing exercises.

On motion Association adjourned to meet to-morrow at 9:30. Benediction by A. W. Setzer.

THIRD DAY-MORNING SESSION.

BEAUFORT, N. C., Sept. 13, 1901.

Association met according to adjournment at 9:30 a. m. Devotional exercises were conducted by A. W. Setzer. Minutes of yesterday were read and approved.

On motion the time for the report on Associational School and for that on Ministerial Relief were interchanged, thereby making the report on Ministerial Relief come at 10 a.m. and that on Associational School at 11:15 a.m.

J. N. Tolar read the report on Ministerial Relief as follows:

REPORT ON MINISTERS' RELIEF.

This Board is located at Durham, N. C., with W. C. Tyree, President and J. F. McDuffie, Corresponding Secretary. It began its work under the auspices of the Baptist State Convention, May 3, 1890.

The object of this Board is to aid Baptist Ministers who, having given their lives as living sacrifices on God's altars of service, find themselves in old age dependent on their brethren for support. They have largely laid the foundations upon which we are to-day building.

Your Committee earnestly recommends that the churches increase their contributions to this important object. Last year (1900) the Atlantic Association gave \$ 59.50. For this year (1901) we pledged \$81. I trust that our contributions will show that we have gone far beyond this amount.

For the sake of common gratitude, but greater than this, for the work they have done, but greatest of all, for the sake of Him who sent them into the world to do his work, these worn out Soldiers of the Cross should have our sympathy and liberal support. J. N. TOLAR.

After remarks by J. N. Tolar, A. H. Harnly, C. W. Blanchard

and J. C. Whitty the report was adopted. Pledges for Ministers Relief were made, amounting to \$78. (See

table.) Pledges for Home Missions were made amounting to \$130.50. Pledges for State Missions were also made amounting to

The report on Associational School was read by H. C. Moore as \$350.00.

follows:

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REPORT ON ASSOCIATIONAL SCHOOL. We your Committee appointed at the last annual session to establish, if possible, a school of high grade under the auspices of the Association

1. Immediately after appointment we invited bids for the school. In beg leave to submit the following report: several quarters there was a desire for it and in two towns there was ear-

2. About the last of April of the present year the committee decided nest endeavour to secure it.

unanimously in favor of the Morehead City location. 3. Deeds to four valuable lots well located and worth about \$600 were

transferred to the committee for the Association. 4. Subscriptions to the building fund were solicited amounting to about

5. It was decided to open the school September 17, 1901. Suitable quarters were engaged (till our own building can be erected) at a rental of \$500.00.

6. Rev. A. W. Setzer was chosen Principal for the opening year. He is to have two competent lady assistants. The prospects for the opening of

In conclusion the Committe would urge the importance of the school to the school are bright. Our denominational life in this section. It appeals to all our churches for their prayers, their influence, their patronage and their financial aid. The matter now pressing is the erection and equipment of a commodious build-ing on the lots we have secured. Such a building as the Committee has planned would cost about \$1500.00. By all means let it be erected before the close of the present year and the work will then be on a permanent

Remarks were made on this report by A. W. Setzer, C. W. Blanchbasis.

Under the head of Miscellaneous Business A. W. Setzer was ard and J. C. Whitty. appointed to preach the doctrinal sermon at the next session of Asso-

A. H. Harnly, N. L. Gaskins and S. P. Willis were appointed a ciation. Committee to nominate Trustees for the Associational School.

On motion it was decided that the Board of Trustees should be

Committee on Place and Preacher reported Bayboro the place composed of 12. and J. N. Tolar preacher. This report was adopted.

On motion the Clerk was instructed to communicate the regrets

of the Association to brethren W. J. Montford and C. B. Paul at their inability to attend on account of sickness.

H. C. Moore was appointed Associational Member of the State Board of Missions.

The Colporter question was discussed but nothing definite determined. The Ex. Com. was instructed to look further into the advisability of putting a colporter in the field.

J. N. Tolar announced a sail and visit to Fort Macon in the afternoon complimentary to the delegates and visitors by the Beaufort Church.

On motion Association adjourned to meet at 7:30 p.m. Benediction by L. Johnson.

THIRD DAY-EVENING SESSION.

The Association met promptly at 7:30.

The sermon at this hour by A. H. Harnly was a most excellent one and we hope will be published. His text was Rom. 6:1.

The report on Foreign Missions was read by A. H. Harnly as follows:

REPORT ON FOREIGN MISSIONS.

The measure of unselfishness in the spread of the gospel is Foreign Missions. There may be a degree of selfishness in the motive which prompts contributions to the maintenance of the home church or the prosecution of Associational, State or Home Missions. To some extent at least the contributor expects to and does share in the advantages accruing.

But Foreign Missions is disinterested benevolence. The work of the Foreign Board has never been more prosperous, nor more hopeful. The high water mark-contributions was reached last year and notwithstanding the serious interruptions of the work in China there were during the year 1,009 baptisms on our Foreign Field. Twenty-one (21) new missionaries were appointed during the last convention year and a number of appointments have been made since the Convention met in New Orleans. The instructions to the board last year were to enlarge. The instructions this year are to enlarge, and the instructions next year will be to enlarge. They must continue so until the world is won for Christ, or until Christ comes and relieves us of the commission: "Go preach the gospel to every creature." If we of the Atlantic Association are loyal Missionary Baptists, then, we will hold up and strengthen, to the extent of our power, the hands of our Board in its every forward movement in this work of works-the preaching of the gospel in the uttermost parts of the earth and the winning of souls for Christ.

A. H. HARNLY.

Pending the adoption of this report, L. Johnson delivered a stirring address on Foreign Missions.

The report was then adopted.

Pledges for Foreign Missions were made, amounting to \$171.00. (See table.)

The following were appointed Trustees for the Associational

School: J. C. Whitty, A. W. Setzer, M. L. Davis, U. C. Holton, T. J. Mitchell, M. S. Webb, R L. Paul, S. A. Starling, L. L. Leary, T. D. Webb, A. D. Ward, J. B. Holland. The Board of Trustees were instructed to secure charter and make all other arrangements

necessary to put the school on a sure basis as soon as possible. A cash collection to buy desks for the school was taken, amount-

The Finance Committee reported through J. C. Whitty (See taing to \$30.00. bles). The clerk was allowed the usual fee of \$10 for his services.

The Moderator appointed the Standing Committees for the ensu-

The following resolution was read by Rev. J. R. Taylor and unaniing year (see first page).

mously adopted:

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Resolved, That we the delegates and visitors to the Atlantic Association, held in the town of Beaufort, thank the good people of this town for so hospitably opening the doors of their town, their homes, their hearts and their churches, for the delightful sail this afternoon, and that we pray God's

On motion Association adjourned to meet Wednesday after the blessings on them and theirs.

second Sunday in Sep., 1902, with the Church at Bayboro. All joined in singing "God be with you till we meet again," C.

W. Blanchard invoked God's blessings, the good-byes were said, and so closed the 18th annual session of the Atlantic Association. S. M. BRINSON, Moderator.

J. N. TOLAR, Clerk.

WOMAN'S MEETING.

The fourth annual meeting of the Woman's Missionary Societies was held in the Methodist church, Beaufort, Thursday afternoon,

The devotional exercises were conducted by Mrs. Hight C. Moore. September 12, 1901.

Miss Alice Smith was requested to act as Secretary. The vice-president explained the purpose of the meeting and a

synopsis of our work was given. Six societies have been organized in our Association during the past year, and we now have ten. A letter was received from the Swansboro societies telling us of the

organization of a society at Piney Grove with thirteen members. Mrs. Marion Webb read a most excellent paper pertaining to our

The Associational letter from Miss Neck was read by Mrs. Luther society work.

Miss Maud Davis read a tract on our foreign mission work. Leary.

The meeting was then addressed by Rev. Livingston Johnson, who gave us a very inspiring and helpful talk.

A few of the societies gave in the following reports:

The W. M. S. of the Beaufort church submits the following report three quarters since the last meeting of the Association:	
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State Missions	4 45

Time of meeting—on the Thursday before 2nd and 4th Sundays in each month.

The following are the officers of the society :

President-Mrs. J. N. Tolar.

Vice President-Mrs. Bryan Longest.

Secretary and Treasurer-Lucie M. Davis.

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