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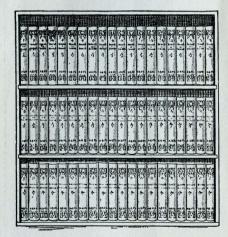
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The Association divides next year—The First District to meet at Webster, Jackson County, N. C., on Thursday before the Third Sunday in August, 1904: Introductory at 11 o'clock A. M., by Rev. J. T. Carson:

Alternate, J. W. Kesterson.

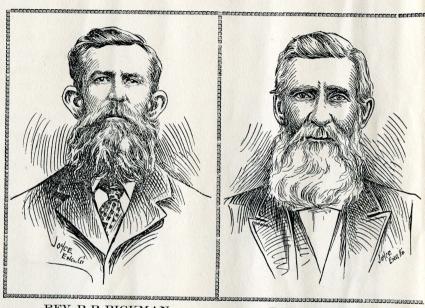
The Second District to meet at Franklin, Macon County, N. C., Thursday after the Fourth Sunday in August, 1904. Introductory at 11 o'clock A. M., by J. A. Brendle: Alternate, W. L. Bradley.

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Hooper, L. W.	Tuckaseige, "
Kesterson, J. W.	Sylva, "
Norman, M. A.	Willets, "
Owen, J. L.	Glenville, "
Owen, J. H.	Wolf Mountain, "
Queen, B. N.	Custer, "
Queen, A. C.	Tuckaseige, "
Queen, L.	Cowart's "
Queen, Thos. H.	Balsam, "
Reed, W. W.	Willets, "
Sitton, J. D.	Painter, "
Thomas, A. B.	Sylva, "
SECOND DIS	TRICT.
Bradley, W. L.	Etna, N. C.
Brendle, J. A.	Franklin, "
Brown, G. R.	Dillard, Ga.
DeHart, T. S.	Needmore, N. C.
Kinsland, J. L.	Crawford, "
Love, M. A.	Franklin, "
Morgan, F. M.	Flats, "
Miller, D. L.	Highlands, "
Peek, I. T.	Cullasaja, "
Pendergrass, J. R.	Franklin, "
Rickman, P. R.	Leatherman, "
Rickman, C. C.	Leatherman, "
Vinson, J. D.	Otto, "
Vinson, T. J.	Cullasaja, "
Young, A. W.	Scaly, "
Younce, Jacob,	Blithedale, "



REV. P. R. RICKMAN, Moderator in 1902,

REV. B. N. QUEEN. MODERATOR IN 1903.

#### PROCEEDINGS.

Beta, Jackson County, N. C., Thursday, August 13th, 1903.

The Tuckaseige Association met this day with the Scott's Creek church, in its Seventy-fourth annual session. Devotional services, conducted by the former Moderator, Rev. P. R. Rickman. In the absence of the brethren appointed to preach the Introductory, Rev. J. A. Brendle preached the sermon, Text, Romans 8:17.

Recess one hour. Benediction by the Moderator.

#### FIRST DAY—AFTERNOON SESSION.

Devotional services by Elder F. M. Morgan. In the absence of the former Secretary, T. C. Bryson was made Secretary pro-tem. F. M. Morgan and W. L. Henson were appointed reading clerks.

The following letters were read and delegates enrolled:

### List of Churches and Delegates-First District.

- 1. Balsam Grove—A. J. Hooper, J. M. Cook and John Aiken.
- 2. Barker's Creek-T. C. Jones, Sam Brook and R. M. Fisher.
- 3. Big Ridge—Thos. C. Dills, J. W. Moore.
- 4. Cullowhee—D. H. Phillips, W. L. Henson, B. N. Watson, Rev. J. D. Sitton.
- 5. Cedar—D. W. Middleton, Lee Middleton.
- 6. Dillsboro—H. R. Snider, J. M. Parris, W. D. Monteith, W. L. Watkins.
- 7. Dick's Creek—D. W. Turpin, F. W. Bumgarner.
- 8. East Fork—D. D. Buchanan, W. T. Deitz.
- 9. Hamburg-W. A. Wilson, M. H. Golden, Rev. J. L. Owen.
- 10. John's Creek—W. J. Parker.
- 11. Locust Field—R. L. Pangle, G. W. Pangle, Edgar Robinson.
- 12. Mt. Pleasant—F. M. Bryson, A. C. Bryson, Elders T. H. Queen, J. T. Carson.
- 13. Ochre Hill-Wesley Hoyle, Elders M. A. Norman, W. W. Reed.
- 14. Scott's Creek—A. W. Farmer, W. A. Henson, J. M. Crawford, W. B. Henry, D. L. Bryson, Elder R. L. Cook.

- 15. Shoal Creek—
- 16. Savannah-S. M. Brooks, R. W. Green.
- 17. Sylva—J. M. Carpenter, T. C. Bryson, J. P. Brendle, S. N. Phillips, J. K. Allen, W. O. Buchanan, A. J. Long, B. C. Grindstaff, Geo. Thomas, J. U. Whitesides, Elders A. B. Thomas, J. W. Kesterson.
- 18. Sol's Creek-R. H. Queen, A. H. Melton, Elder B. N. Queen.
- 19. Speedwell—Z. V. Watson, W. A. Hooper, D. W. Presley.
- 20. Webster-W. H. Deitz, Robert Cowan, W. L. Cowan.
- 21. Wilmot-J. H. Moody, M. M. Buchanan, Mack Buchanan.
- 22. Yellow Mountain—W. A. Henson.
- 23. Zion Hill—J. T. Woodard, W. T. Crisp.

#### List of Churches and Delegates-Second District.

- 1. Burningtown—D. C. Fouts.
- 2. Briartown-J. W. Duvall, J. R. Wikle, Elder F. M. Morgan.
- 3. Brush Creek-W. W. Moss.
- 4. Coweta—J. L. Brock, M. N. Long, J. G. Bates, J. D. Stiles, B. H. Carpenter.
- 5. Cowee-M. J. Mashburn, M. L. Rickman, J. M. Dalton, Geo. T. Bryson, Arthur Allen, T. C. Bryson.
- 6. Cartoogechaye—Geo. W. Seay, J. A. Corpening.
- 7. Franklin—G. T. Stiles, E. H. Franks, H. H. Jarrett, John Hurst, J. E. Hurst, J. F. Brown, Elder J. A. Brendle.
- 8. Highlands—
- 9. Head of Tennessee—Jas. B. Rickman, Charles Rickman.
- 10. Iola—Rufus Roper, J. B. Wilson.
- 11. Liberty-J. E. Rickman, J. M. Mason, Baxter Elmore.
- 12. Mt. Hope—John J. Blain.
- 13. Middle Creek-
- 14. Oak Grove—John Burnett, H. J. Bradley, C. R. Browning, Cary Hall, Elder W. L. Bradley.
- 15. Pleasant Hill-M. M. Ledford, J. A. Hasting.
- 16. Pine Grove-A. J. Evans.
- 17. Sugarfork-J. W. Nash, L. A. Allen, T. R. Arnold.
- 18. Tesenta—J. B. Justice, M. L. Justice, B. M. Garland.
- Watauga—H. D. Dean, C. L. Rickman, Joe Corbin, J. T. Young, T. N. Snider.

The Association now proceeded to permanent organization. After the first ballot, the constitution was waved, and the Clerk authorized to cast the vote of the Association for Elder B. N. Queen for Moderator. T C. Bryson was elected Clerk by acclamation. The election of Treasurer and Historian was deferred until they report.

Called for newly constituted churches. Four letters were presented and read and referred to a committee consisting of F. M. Morgan, J. A. Brendle and J. T. Carson.

Called for visitors, correspondents, representatives of boards, etc. Elder A. J. Kelly of the Sarepta Association, Georgia; Elder J. K. Henderson of the Transylvania Association; Elder J. A. Woodard of the Tennessee River Association; Elder A. B. Thomas, representing the Biblical Recorder, were recognized.

Elder J. A. Woodard of the Tennessee River Association, Elder A. H. White of the Sweet Water Association, Tennessee, Elder John Moody of Lemon City, Indian River Association, Florida, J. L. Abernatha of the Liberty and Ducktown Association, were recognized and took seats in the body.

The committee appointed to consider the letters from the newly constituted churches, reported advising the Association to receive the following churches with their delegates

- 26. Dick's Creek.
- 27. Cedar.
- 28. Iola.
- 29. Speedwell.

The following committee on Order of Business was appointed: A. B. Thomas, E. H. Franks and W. L. Henson.

The Association was led in prayer by A. J. Kelly.

Appointed the following committees:

- 1. Temperance—J. S. Woodard, P. R. Rickman, J. D. Sitton, H. D. Dean.
- 2. State Missions—J. T. Carson, J. A. Brendle, J. W. Kesterson.
- 3. Home Missions—A. J. Kelly, A. B. Thomas, J. M. Carpenter.
- 4. Time, Place and Sermon—J. D. Sitton, F. M. Morgan, J. W. Nash.
- 5. Ministers' Names—J. E. Rickman, A. W. Farmer.
- 6. Periodicals—M. J. Mashburn, J. L. Owen.

- 7. Foreign Missions—F. M. Morgan, J. S. Woodard, J. K. Henderson.
- 8. Orphanage—W. L. Bradley, D. H. Phillips.
- 9. Sunday Schools—C. C. Rickman, J. W. Kesterson, J. P. Brendle.
- 10. State of the Churches-T. R. Arnold, R. L. Cook, M. A. Norman.
- 11. Finance—A. W. Farmer, John Burnett.
- 12. Preaching—Pastors and delegates of Scott's Creek church and M. L. Rickman.

Association adjourned to 9 o'clock a. m. tomorrow.

Announcements were made and homes announced. Benediction by P. R. Rickman.

Preaching at the church tonight by Rev. J. A. Woodard.

#### FRIDAY-SECOND DAY.

August 14, 1903.

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The Association met according to adjournment. Devotional services conducted by J. A. Woodard. Rev. A. E. Brown, Assistant Corresponding Secretary of the State Convention; Prof. Chas. E. Filkins, the new Principal of our school at Sylva; Prof. J. F. Lanneau of Wake Forest College; and Rev. T. F. Arrington of the Haywood Association, took seats with the body.

Appointed the following committee on Education: J. F. Lanneau, J. A. Brendle, J. W. Kesterson, A. E. Brown.

- T. C. Bryson, Treasurer, read his report, and action on it was postponed till near the close of the session.
  - H. D. Dean was elected Treasurer for the next year.
- A. B. Thomas, Historian, read his report which was adopted. See Appendix, Report O.

Rev. A. B. Thomas was re-elected Historian.

The report on Order of Business was read, amended and adopted: Friday. Meet at 9 a.m. each day. Devotional services directed by the Moderator, thirty minutes, Read minutes of previous day. Call for corresponding messengers, Representatives of Denominational interests, &c. 10 a.m., Treasurer's and Historian's reports, and their elections. Periodicals to 11:15. Sermon. Recess to 1:30 p. m.

Friday—1:30 p. m., Home and State Missions to 2:30. Orphanage 2:30 to 3. Revision of Ministers' Names Saturday—Devotional services 30 minutes 9:30 to 10. Obituaries and Changes. Call the Roll. 10:45—Education. Recess to 1:30 p. m. Report on State of the Church. 2-Foreign Missions. 2:30—Temperance. Other committees, Miscellaneous.

A. B. Thomas, Chairman.

M. J. Mashburn read the report on Periodicals. Remarks by A. B. Thomas. A. E. Brown asked some of the sisters to take subscriptions for the Foreign Mission Journal.

Rev. F. M. Morgan came to the stand and preached from text: Lamentations 4: 2. Recess.

### FRIDAY—AFTERNOON SESSION.

The discussion on the report on Periodicals was resumed. Remarks by J. S. Woodard. The report was adopted. See Appendix, B.

T. C. Jordan, the Methodist minister at Sylva, was invited to a seat. Elder B. W. N. Simms, Pastor of the Waynesville church, was recognized and welcomed to a seat.

The report on State Missions was read by J. A. Brendle, and discussed by J. A. Brendle. In keeping with the order of business, Bro. Brendle was cut short in his speech.

The order was suspended and A. E. Brown was given the floor. A. J. Kelly and Prof. J. F. Lanneau made remarks.

The following pledges were taken during the association, and the report was adopted:

Balsam Grove	State Missions.	Orphanage.	Foreign Missions.	Ministe Educa,
	\$1.00	\$1.00	\$1.00	••••
Barker's Creek,	1.00	1.00	1.00	
Cullowhee,	2.00		1.00	1.00
Dillsboro,	5.00	2.00	5.00	1 00
Hamburg,	2.00		1.00	1.00
John's Creek,	1.00	1.00		

	State	Orphan-	Foreign Missions.	Ministe. Educa.
T 17	Missions. \$1.00	age. \$1.00	\$1.00	
Locust Field,	1.00	$\frac{$1.00}{2.00}$	1.00	
Mount Pleasant,	2.00	1.00	1.00	
Ochre Hill,	5.00	5.00	5.00	1.00
Scott's Creek,		1.00	5.00	1.00
Shoal Creek,	5.00	5.00	15.00	5.00
Sylva,	12.00	1.00	2.00	
Sol's Creek,	2.00		5.00	1.00
Webster,	5.00	1.00		
Yellow Mountain,	2.00	1.00		
Zion Hill,	2.00	2.00	•••••	
Speedwell,	1.00	1.00	••••	
Dick's Creek,	2.00			••••
Cedar,	2.00			
Wilmot,		1.00	2.00	
Big Ridge,		1,00	1.00	
Wolf Creek,			2.00	
Burningtown,	5.00	2.00	3.00	2.00
Briartown,	5.00	2.00	3.00	1.00
Brush Creek,	• • • • •		•••••	2.00
Coweta,	5.00	5.00	5.00	2.00
Cowee,	5.00	5.00	5.00	2.00
Cartoogechaye,	1.00	1.00	2.00	1.00
Ellijay,	2.00	1.00	2.00	
Franklin,	10.00	5.00	15.00	2.00
Highlands,		d maner a	5.00	
Head of Tennessee,	5.00		2.50	
Liberty,	2.00	1.00		
Mt. Hope,	2.00	2.00	2.00	
Middle Creek,	2.00	1.00		
Oak Grove,	2.00	2.00	2.00	
Pleasant Hill,	1.00	1.00	2.00	2.00
Pine Grove,	1.00	1.00		
Sugar Fork,	5.00	2.00	5.00	V2/850
Tesenta,	1.00	1.00		1.00
Watauga,	2.00	2.00	4.00	2.00

		State Missions.	Orphan- age.	Foreign Missions.	Ministe Educa.
Iola		\$1.00	\$ .50	\$1.00	
Oak Dale,			1.00		
	Total,	\$57.00	<b>\$35.</b> 00	<b>\$58.50</b>	\$17.00

The report on Orphanage was read by W. L. Bradley, Remarks by Bro. Bradley and J. A. Brendle, taking pledge for the Orphanage. See table preceding. The report was adopted.

The report of Ministers' Names was read, corrected and adopted. See report at another place.

After remarks by J. A. Brendle, the following committee was appointed to consider the destitute ministers, viz; J. W. Nash, A. W. Farmer.

A cash collection was taken for Elder W. W. Reed, an aged and blind minister. Amount collected \$12.26.

F. M. Morgan read the report on Time and Place, which was adopted. See report elsewhere in these minutes.

On motion, so much of the report as refers to the time of meeting in the Second District; was reconsidered.

The Association adjourned. Benediction by J. A. Brendle.

Preaching at the church tonight by W. L. Bradley.

#### SATURDAY-THIRD DAY.

August 15,1903.

The Association met according to adjournment. Devotional services conducted by the Moderator.

The Roll was called and the list of delegates corrected.

A. J. Kelly read the report on Home Missions. Remarks by Bro. Kelly, A. B. Thomas and B. W. N. Simms. The report was adopted. See Appendix D.

Appointed the following committee on Obituaries: J. D. Sitton and H. D. Dean.

The committee on Time and Place read that part of their report that was reconsidered, which was adopted. See Appendix, A.

The report on Education was read by Prof. J. F. Lanneau. Remarks by Prof. Lanneau and Prof. Filkins, J. A. Brendle was given 20 minutes to speak.

Benediction by A. E. Brown. Recess.

#### THIRD DAY-EVENING SESSION.

The Association came to order. The report on Education was adopted. See Appendix, G.

The report on Foreign Missions was read by F. M. Morgan. Remarks by B. W. N. Simms, A. E. Brown taking pledges for Foreign Missions. Remarks by Prof. Lanneau, moving that pledges be taken for Ministerial Education. Remarks were continued by A. B. Thomas and J. A. Brendle. Pledges were taken, see table preceding. The report was adopted. See Appendix, E.

J. W. Nash read the report on Ministerial Relief, which was spoken to by A. E. Brown and adopted. See Appendix, L.

The retiring seven Trustees of the Sylva C. I. were re-elected as follows: R. F. Jarrett, Lee Queen, A. B. Thomas, Thad C. Bryson, B. C. Grindstaff, M. Buchanan and D. H. Phillips. These hold three years. The following constitute the present Board of Trustees:

1st. R. F. Jarrett, Lee Queen, A. B. Thomas, Thad C. Bryson, B. C. Grindstaff, M. Buchanan, D. H. Phillips.

2nd. J. W. Nash, R. R. Fisher, L. C. Cowan, W. O. Buchanan, J. E. Rickman, W. A. Henson, T. C. Bryson.

3rd. J. M. Carpenter, W. L. Bradley, J. D. Stiles, E. H. Franks, Alex. Moore, L. A. Allen, P. C. Wild.

H. D. Dean read the report on Obituaries, which was adopted. See Appendix, K.

By request, H. D. Dean read the report on Temperance, P. R. Rickman occupying the chair. Remarks by B. N. Queen. The report was made special order first thing tomorrow morning.

John Burnett read the report on Finance which was adopted. See table.

The Clerk was allowed six dollars for services.

Leroy Carleton preached at the stand.

The committee on State of the Churches read their report, which was adopted. See Appendix, J.

Adjourned. Benediction by A. E. Brown.

### Preaching at night by C. C. Rickman.

SUNDAY—FOURTH DAY.

August 16, 1903.

The Association met and after devotional exercises by C. C. Rickman, the minutes of the previous day were read and adopted.

The following Resolutions were offered and adopted:

1st. That any members of this Association, attending other Associations, may represent themselves as messengers. P. R. Rickman.

2d. Resolved: That we the delegates and visitors of the Tuckaseige Association, tender our most sincere thanks to the brethren, sisters and friends of Scott's Creek church for the hospitable manner in which they have entertained this meeting.

E. H. Franks.

The time having arrived to take up the special order, the report on Temperance was re-read. Remarks by P. R. Rickman. The body moved out of the house to the stand. The report on Temperance was read again. Remarks by A. B. Thomas. Report adopted. Appendix, H.

C. C. Rickman read the Sunday School report. Remarks by C. C. Rickman. The report was adopted. Appendix I.

Appointed the following delegates to the State Convention: C. C. Rickman and J. D. Sitton; Alternates—J. T. Carson, R. F. Jarrett.

Appointed T. C. Bryson delegate to the S. B. C., Alternate—Rev. A. B. Thomas.

The Treasurer read his report which was adopted. Appendix, N. Ordered that a collection be taken after the sermon for Education. The hour of 11 o'clock having arrived, the sermon was preached by Rev. A. E. Brown, text: Rev. 14:6. Prayer by J. A. Brendle.

A collection was taken for Education. Amount, \$14.05.

The report of the Sylva C. I. Trustees was read by Thad C. Bryson which was adopted. Appendix, M.

The Association adjourned to Time and Place. Remarks by the Moderator. Benediction by A. E. Brown. B. N. QUEEN, Moderator. T. C. Bryson, Clerk.

### APPENDIX.

#### A.

### Report on Time and Place.

Your committee on time and Place would respectfully recommend, that, whereas, no church in our bounds has asked for the Association in 1904, and, whereas, this body has become so large that many churches that would love to take the Association, feel themselves unable to support the large crowds that attend these meetings, we would therefore recommend that the next session of The Tuckaseige Association, or that part known as District No. 1, meet with the Webster church on Thursday before the third Sunday in August, 1904, at 11 o'clock a. m., Rev. J. L. Carson to preach the introductory sermon, J. W. Kesterson, alternate

Your committee would further recommend that District No. 2, of said Association, meet with Franklin church on Thursday after the fourth Sunday in August, 1904, at 11 o'clock a. m., for the purpose of organizing a Macon County Association, Rev. J. A. Brendle to preach the introductory sermon, and Rev. W. L. Bradley, alternate. Respectfully submitted, F. M. MORGAN, Chairman.

В.

### Report on Periodicals.

It does seem that in this age of advancement and Denominational progress, that every Baptist parent ought to be fully awake to the importance of having in the house good papers. But from the small number of subscribers to our Baptist periodicals, it seems that many, very many, of our Baptist parents are not yet awake to this fact. There is no getting around the fact that we are largely what we read. Our reading is a great factor in what we are for good or bad. This being true, we most heartily recommend to each Baptist family to take and read each week the Biblical Recorder, the organ of our Baptist State Convention; 1st, as a Baptist enterprise; 2nd, as the truest and cheapest educational factor that can go into a Baptist home; 3rd, as a church and denominational unifier. Also we recommend the Skyland Baptist, Foreign Mission Journal, Charity and Children, and Our Home Field, as worthy of an abiding place in our homes.

Respectfully.

M. J. MASHBURN, Chairman.

C

### Report on State Missions.

We are glad to report that State Missions are on the increase, and especially in the western section, though the mission spirit is by no means throughout

the State what it should be. We believe it can be truthfully said that the western section of the State has made greater progress in missions in the last five years than in any other part of the State, taking everything into consideration. The greatest destitution along the line of missions is in the eastern part of the State. Many of the churches are not even self sustaining, but we have some destitutions in the central and western part of the State. We want to recommend that every pastor in this Association do all he can to create a greater mission spirit among his members.

J. T. Carson, Ch'mn.

D

### Report on Home Missions.

The cause of missions is the cause of God. The mission field is twenty-five thousand miles wide; and the workers in the field include every christian on the face of the gloes.

The fact that the cause of missions is the cause of God, is attested by the further fact that the most signal blessings have attended the preaching of the gospel at home and abroad. It is also a fact that the mission field is one and singular and twenty-five thousand miles wide. Like the Siamese Twins they are together. Shall any say that God is more deeply interested in a sinner in North Carolina, or Georgia, than He is in a sinner in Pekin? The filthiest man in China is our brother.

Surely the field includes all Christian workers. God never excuses a man from giving to His cause on account of poverty. Some of the poorest people in the world were commended when they had given two mites to the cause of Christ—all the living that they had.

A. J. Kelly, Chairman.

E

### Report on Foreign Missions.

We, your committee, are glad to say, and do hope that it will urge us forward to greater things, that the more missionaries and money we give to God and foreign fields, the more we prosper at home. In this, as in all God's work, we gain by giving and reap by sowing.

Rev W. R. L. Smith at Richmond, Va., said over \$18,000,000 have been given by Baptists to foreign lands, and also many precious lives have been laid down. And yet with all this giving and sacrifice Baptists have prospered beyond all others, growing from 100,000 in 1800 to over 4,000,000 in 1900. Such prosperity is due to real sacrifice, and these heathen lands that are turning to God are showing their faith by their works, for China, Japan, Brazil, Korea and Cuba with others, are giving large sums of money to Christ's cause in a way to make the faithful rejoice and the unfaithful blush with shame. From the day of the indomitable Cary great things have been attempted for God, and great

things have been accomplished, but as the great effulgent light shines from shore to shore, and God's bow of promise shines in its glory, this great work of Foreign missions seems to be in its incipient state, for the greatest day in the world's history is yet to come when the knowledge and glory of the Lord will cover the earth as the waters cover the sea. We learn from R. J. Willingham, Cor. Sec., that \$218,512 was paid last year by Southern Baptists to missions on foreign fields, and that missionaries baptized 1790 converts as a part of their work. These missionaries and their supporters are Christ's servants. Ye are my friends if ye do whatsoever I command you, and lo I am with you if ye go into all the world and preach the Gospel to every creature. Ours is a world-wide mission, therefore let's go or send some one to rescue the lost. F M. MORGAN.

### Orphanage Report.

As we are taught in the scriptures that it is appointed unto all men once to die, and after death the judgment, and as death is no respector of persons. God has seen fit to remove from among us many of our brethren and sisters and left their dear children without parental care; yet God impressed it upon our fathers to provide a home for the dear, homeless children of our deceased friends, which was secured at Thomasville.

We have now at the home about 250 children who are depending upon the Baptists of our state for the various needs of life. We consider this one of the greatest institutions of our state, and we should ever remember it in our contributions. So let us all heartily and thankfully respond, since God has permitted us to remain with our dear ones. Respectfully submitted. W. L. BRADLEY, Chairman.

G.

### Report on Education.

Never before has there been such general interest in the subject of Education. Money kings are recognizing its vital importance and consecrating their great wealth to the founding of universities and libraries. Our public men in high station are nobly striving for the betterment of the common schools of the land. And best of all, the people everywhere begin to realize the supreme importance of training the minds and hearts of the young.

As christians we insist on heart culture along with culture of intellect. We rejoice that we have so many schools conducted by earnest. God-fearing men and women. We commend the wisdom of establishing Associational Academies, such as the excellent one within our bounds-the Sylva Collegiate Institute. It is the privilege, and we trust it will be the pleasure. of many brethren to become coworkers promising this

school by giving their prayers and their patronage.

We make special mention, too, of Wake Forest College, thanking God for enabling our fathers to found it, and for His signal blessings upon its work. When our sons have been prepared in any of our excellent academies, we urge that they take the full course at Wake Forest thereby fitting themselves for still greater usefulness in life. And for their sisters we commend our Baptist Female University at Raleigh. For these two institutions of higher and fuller training represent the prayerful efforts and sacrifices through long years of the Baptist brotherhood of our entire State.

Are we God's stewards? What talents has he entrusted to us? Any more precious, more capable of development than our hearts and minds? In christian education we are striving, in the fear and love of God, to make the most of these most precious talents. Respectfully submitted,

JOHN F. LANNEAU, Ch'mn.

H

#### Report on Temperance.

We, your committee on Temperance, submit the following report: Inasmuch as there is being waged in our state, a great struggle between the moral and the saloon forces, God's people should make a great effort to have the temperance laws of our State executed. We further advise that all Christian people consider well the moral integrity of the men who propose to represent them in the lawmaking department of our State. J. S. WOODARD, Ch'mn.

#### Sunday School Report.

We, your committee on Sunday Schools, submit the following report: We notice from the letters that the Sunday School work has increased over last year. More pupils have been enrolled, average attendance larger, contributions are better, and more money spent for literature. The Sunday School being a great factor of the church in bringing souls to Christ, we urge that the pastors do all in their power to organize a Sunday school in every church where they have them not. and that a great effort be made by both pastor and Superintendent to enlist the co-operation of the parents in the S. S. work. We also insist that the pupils be given an opportunity to contribute for some object on each Lord's day; and that you also use the Baptist lesson helps in the preparation of the S. S. lessons. It is our duty to engraft into the minds of the children the true doctrines of the Bible.

C. C. RICKMAN, Ch'mn.

#### Report on State of the Church.

We your committee, find that the churches have increased as to membership, and have made great progress in our contributions to State, Home and Foreign Missions. Signed by Committee.

T. R. Arnold, Chairman.

K.

#### Report on Obituaries.

FIRST DISTRICT, Deceased Members—Males: J. B. Hoyle, W. A. Sherrill, George Cunningham, L. Brown, Riley Owen, B. Cowan.

Females: Margaret Galloway, Mary Sellers, Dellie Phillips, Docie Dills, Ella Buchanan, Lela Dalrymple, Docie Jones, Clarissa Young, Elvira Crawford, Sallie Monteith, Cordelia Crawford. Ibby Queen, Lily Aikin, Elizabeth Hoyle, Martha, Coward, Lavada Brendle, Sallie Stillwell.

SECOND DISTRICT, Deceased Members—Males: Henry Sanders, Peter Lance, W. T. McGaha, W. H. Higdon, Robert Bates, J. A. McCoy, Benjamin Long, Ervin Dills, Benjamin Hampton.

Females: Clarissa Norton, Mary Ann Wilson, Cora Angel, Susan Elliott, Louisa Miller, Nancy Roland, Ida Justice, Tiney Cochran.

L.

### Report on Ministerial Relief.

Your committee appointed on Ministerial Relief report that we find in our bounds some four or five of God's chosen grand, old ministers whose lives have been spent in the work of soul winning, and they are poor and feeble, and we would commend them to you as worthy objects of your consideration and support.

Respectfully.

J. W. NASH, Ch'mn.

M.

#### Report of Trustees of Sylva Collegiate Institute.

The last year of Sylva Collegiate Institute was the best by far we have ever had. We enrolled last year over 250 students who made fine progress in each department. We have for this year employed as principal, Prof. Charles E. Filkins, M. A., graduate of the University of Michigan, and a teacher of many years' experience, who comes to us highly recommended as a Baptist and a christian gentleman. We have employed for our music teacher, Miss Bessie Hoggard, of the Chowan Baptist Institute, who comes to us highly recommended by Prof. J C. Scarboro, former Supt. of Public Schools of N. C. Other teachers will be added later on in the session. We thank the Baptists of this and the Tennessee Association for their hearty co-operation and feel sure of your co-operation in the future.

T. C. BRYSON, Secty.

N.

### Treasurer's Report, Receipts and Disbursements for the Year 1903.

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### Historian's Report.

The last session of our Association was held with church at Coweta, Aug. 14-17, 1902. Elder P. R. Rickman, an aged and highly esteemed brother, was elected Moderator. It was a splendid session. We had with us Rev. Livingston Johnson, Corresponding Sceretary, State Baptist Convention. His sermon on 'Christ Leading Captivity Captive' made a fine impression. Rev. A. E. Brown, Assistant Corresponding Secretary, was with us, and seemed to be at his best. Elders J. S. Woodard and A. J. Ammons, of Tennesse River Association, were with us. Also W. R. Rickman, formerly one of us, but now of Montana, was with us.

Events of the Year—1st District. The Sylva Collegiate Institute had the best year in its history. Its work was first class. Prof. Rev. E. Lee for the Principal did good work, and it was with reluctance that the Board of Trustees gave him up. The Board has elected Prof. Chas. E. Filkins, of Michigan, who comes to us an ideal man for the principalship of our school, and we earnestly ask of our Baptist parents of this Association and of the Tennessee River Association to make any reasonable sacrifice that their boys and girls may come to our school now. The churches of Dillsboro, Sylva, and Scott's Creek, each had the privilege of having a visit and a splendid lecture from Miss Lottie Price, one of our returned missionaries from China. Her visit to these churches was not only appreciated, but did great good. The church at Scott's Creek set apart Robert L. Cook to the full warp of the Gospel ministry by ordination. At Webster on June 28, at a regular meeting of the church, Rev. Walter E. Wilson, a Freewill Baptist minister, joined the Baptist church and was baptized by the pastor, Rev. T. F. Deitz. He is a young man of promise and of fair education.

On July 11, 1903, the Sylva church cancelled the ministerial credentials of Rev. T. Bright until such time as she may believe the interest of the cause of Christ and Bro. Bright call for his return to the ministry again. Rev. Marion Love rejoined at Cullowhee, and Rev. W. H. Davis of Hendersonville, N. C. was called

at Cullowhee, and Rev. W. H. Davis of Hendersonville, N. C., was called.

2nd District. Rev. J. Younce resigned at Cowee, and Rev. J. S. Woodard was called. Rev. J. W. Briggs resigned at Franklin and Sugarfork, and Rev. J. A. Brendle was called to Franklin, and Rev. J. R. Pendergrass to Sugarfork. Four new churches were constituted this year. C. C. Rickman was ordained to the full work of the ministry at the last Association. During the year seats were put in the church at Scott's Creek, and the beautiful house was dedicated to God, Rev. A. E. Brown preaching the sermon. Ellijay furnished a good house of worship.

A. B. THOMAS, Historian.

### ARTICLES OF FAITH.

FIRST We believe in one only living and true God, and that there are three persons in the God-head—the Father, the Son and the Holy Ghost—and that these three are one in substance, and equal in power and glory.

Second. We believe that the Scriptures of the old and New Testament are the Word of God, and the only rule of faith and practice.

Third. We believe in the doctrine of Original Sin.

Fourth. We believe in man's impotency to recover himself from the fallen state he is in by his own free will and ability.

Fifth. We believe that sinners are justified in the sight of God only by the imputed righteousness of Jesus Christ.

Sixth. We believe that Baptism and the Lord's Supper are ordinances instituted by Christ, and that true believers are the only proper subjects thereof.

Seventh. We believe that saints shall persevere in grace, and that they never shall finally fall away.

Eighth. We believe that immersion is essential to baptism.

Ninth. We believe that no person has a right to administer the ordinances but such as are regularly called and qualified thereunto.

Tenth. We believe in the resurrection of the dead and a general judgment; that the punishment of the wicked shall be everlasting and the joys of the righteous eternal.

Eleventh. We the members of the Tuckaseige Baptist Association, agreeing to the above articles of faith, and having been led, as we believe by the spirit of God to receive the Lord Jesus Christ as our Saviour, and on the profession of our faith having been baptized in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost, we do now, in the presence of God, Angels and this assembly, most solemnly and joyfully enter into this covenant with one another as one body in Christ.

Twelfth. We engage, therefore, by the aid of the Holy Spirit, to work together in Christian love; to strive for the advancement of this Association in knowledge, holiness and comfort; to promote its prosperity and spirituality; to contribute cheerfully and regularly to the support of the ministry, the expense of this body, the relief of the poor and the spread of the gospel through all nations.

Thirteenth. We also engage to maintain family and secret devotion; to religously educate our children; to seek the salvation of our kindred and acquaintances; to walk circumspectly in the world; to be just in our dealings, faithful in our engagements and exemplary in our deportment; to avoid all tattling, back biting and use of intexicating drinks as a beverage; and to be zealous in our efforts to advance the kingdom of our Saviour.

Fourteenth. We further engage to watch over one another in brotherly love; to remember each other in prayer; to aid each other in sickness and distress; to cultivate Christian sympathy in feeling and courtesy in speech; to be slow to offend, but always ready for reconciliation, and mindful of the rules of our Saviour to secure it without delay.

### CONSTITUTION.

- ARTICLE 1. This Association shall be calld the Tuckasiege Baptist Association.
- Art. 2. The primary objects of this Association are to extend Christ's Kingdom at home and abroad, to foster the Sunday School work, to encourage and support Christian education and the Baptist Orphanage at Thomasville.
- Art. 3. It shall be composed of male members chosen by missionary Baptist churches, sent to represent them in the Association; and who have complied with this Constitution.
- Art. 4. In the certificates should be expressed the number baptized, received by letter, restored, dismissed, excluded, and names of the deceased, total number of members, the contributions for minutes, education, State, Home and Foreign Missions, Orphanage, pastor's salary and other objects, since the last Association, the time of meeting number of ordained ministers, names of pastor, clerk, Sunday School Superintendent and their postoffices, number of Sunday Schools, officers and teachers, average attendance and total number enrolled.
- Art. 5. This Association shall have no power to lord it over God's heritage. Nor shall it have any clerical power over the church or infringe upo n any of their internal rights in the Association.
- Art. 6. The Association shall have a Moderator, Clerk, Treasurer and Historian, who shall be elected by a majority of the whole vote.
- Art. 7. This Association shall have the right to determine what churches shall be admitted as members of this body.
- Art. 8. This Association shall have the right to withdraw her fellowship from any church for not complying with her rules, or for violating the orthodox principles of the Gospel
- Art. 9. Each church in this Association shall be entitled to three delegates, and one additional delegate for each \$5.00 contributed to the five objects mentioned in Article 4, and in addition may send the eldership of the church as delegates.
- Art. 10. It shall be the duty of the clerk to have the Articles of Faith and Constitution printed in the minutes annually.
- Art. 11. The Association shall appoint a Board of Trustees for the "Tuckaseige Sylva Collegiate Institute," consisting of twenty-one members; seven of whom shall constitute a quorum. The first seven to serve one year, the second seven to serve two years, the third seven to serve three years. These trustees are empowered to receive and hold school property for the Association; to select teachers, and attend to such other business as may be necessary for the educational interest of the Association. The Association shall appoint seven Trustees annually and fill all vacancies as occur by resignation or otherwise. Said Trustees are required to report annually to the Association.
- Art. 12. This Constitution may be altered or amended by a two thirds vote of the members present.

### FIRST DISTRICT—STATISTICAL AND FINANCIAL TABLE.

Balsam Grove   Barkers Creek   L. Carleton   R. M. Fisher   Big Springs   Big Ridge   L. W. Hooper   Sig Ridge   Cullowhee   W. H. Davis   J. W. Moore   Big Ridge   Cullowhee   W. H. Davis   J. W. Moore   Big Ridge   Cullowhee   W. H. Davis   W. L. Henson   Painter   19 3 42 2 1 132   1 132   1 132   1 1 1	Churches.	Pastors.	Clerks.	Post Office.	Sun. of Meet.	No. Baptized.	kec. by Letter	Restored.	Dis. by Letter.	Deceased.	Ord. Ministers	Total Mem.	Pastors' Salary.	Value Church Property.	Church Building.	State Missions.	State & Home Missions.	Home Missions.	Foreign Missions.	Orphanage.		Other Objects.	For Minutes.
	Barkers Creek Big Ridge Cullowhee Caney Fork Cedar Dillsboro Dicks Creek East Fork Hamburg Johns Creek Locust Field Mt. Pleasant Ochre Hill Scotts Creek Savannah Sylya Sols Creek Speedwell Webster Wilmot Yellow Mt.	L. Carleton L. W. Hooper W. H. Davis J. H. Owen T. F. Deitz T. D. Watson A. W. Davis J. L. Owen W. F. Cook L. Carleton T. F. Arrington J. T. Carson J. W. Kesterson J. W. Kesterson J. W. Kesterson J. W. Kesterson J. W. Cauleton J. T. Carson J. T. Carleton J. T. Carleton	R. M. Fisher J. W. Moore W. L. Henson  Allen Brown W. D. Monteith Henry Ward R. N. Deitz W. A. Wilson W. J. Parker G. W. Pangle C. C. Crawford J. P. Calhoun W. B. Henry A. J. Galloway J. W. Cagle A. J. Long H. R. Queen Z. V. Watson W. L. Cowan J. B. Raby Robt. Potts	Big Springs Big Ridge Painter Tuckaseige Tuckaseige Dillsboro Deets Glenville Rich Mtn. Dillsboro Balsam Addie Beta Whittier Webster Sylva Custer Speedwell Webster Wilmot Bessie Deets	1 2 4 1 4 3 1 1 1 3 4 1 4 4 4 4 4 4 4 1 1 4 4 4 1 1 1 4 4 4 1 1 1 4 4 4 1 1 4	7 1 2 3 5 10 13 2 9 1 1 21 119 12	3 14 1 6 15 7 1 5 2	4	3 5 4 4 12 4 4 5 1 8 6 2 2	1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1	22 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1	63 14 132 42 63 25 81 101 *72 64 116 92 260 90 136 92 53 48 97 57 99 126	75 00 50 00 20 00 42 72 20 00 100 00 40 00 100 00 20 00 30 00 150 00	250 600 550 3000 500 850 2000	500 00 14 50 65 00	2 00 1 50 50 1 00 7 11 2 16 10 60 2 00 2 21	1 01 2 00 2 00	2 00 2 00 10 00	5 00 1 00 1 25 5 00 19 00 6 00 1 00	1 40	25 4 0 53	30 00 50 98	1

<sup>\*</sup>Figures of 1902. There being no collections for Ministerial Education that column is omitted in above table.

### SECOND DISTRICT—STATISTICAL AND FINANCIAL TABLE.

Churches.	Pastors.	Clerks.	Post Office.	Sun. of Meet.	No. Baptized.	Kec. by Letter	Restored.	Dis. by Letter.	Excluded.	Ord. Ministers		Pastors' Salary.	Value Church Property.	Church Building.	State	Missions.	State & Home Missions.	Home Missions.	Foreign Missions.	Orphanage.	Other Objects.
Cartoogechaye Ellijay	C. C. Rickman  J. A. Brendle  J. W. Kesterson		Blithedale N C Flats Gneiss Wikles Store Wests Mills Roanes Mill Ellijay Franklin Hıghlands Dillard, Ga.	2 4 3 3 2 Ev 2-4	30 4 9 5	1 3 1 2 2	2 1 4	37 2 6 9 1 3 8	1 5	2 1 1 1 1 1 2 2 1 1 3 1	132 154 94 136 145 91 *114 131 33 153	50 00 25 00 100 00 50 00 50 00 350 00	75 1100 600	86 00	1 7 5 1	00 00 19 00 00 00 32 75	5 00	1 15	1 00 1 00 1 35 5 00 1 00 3 00 5 00	4 20 5 00 5 00	4 25
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For Education—Sugarfork, .45; Watauga, .26. Ministerial Relief—Coweta, .35; Watauga, 1.87.

#### SUNDAY SCHOOL REPORT.

Churches.	Superintendents.	No. Schools.	i. & Teach.	No. Pupils.	Average Attendance.	Collections for Schools.	Home Miss.	Foreign Miss.	Orphanage.	Other Objects
FIRST DISTRICT.		No	Offi.	No	Av	Col	Но	FOI	Orl	0t1
Balsam Grove	Miss Dora Cook	1	6	60	50	.70				
Barker's Creek	R. M. Fisher	1	6		50				1 1996	1100
Big Ridge	Thos. C. Dills	1	5	45			44	77.79		
Cullowhee	W. L. Henson	2	6	107	44	4.00				2.00
	J. M. Watson		6	60	40				No.	
Cedar	Allen Brown	1	4	30	25					1 1 1 1 1
Dillsboro	R. F. Jarrett	1	6	58	35	12.10	5.00	1100		24.69
Dick's Creek	Henry Ward	1	7 7	44		1.24		1,000		10.30
East Fork	W. L. Buchanan	1	7	105	81	5.40	1			
John's Creek		1	4	59		3.00				Walls I
Locust Field	G. W. Pangle	1	6	48	35	2.00			Page 1	
Mt. Pleasant	G. C. Crawford	1	6		53					
Ochre Hill	Addie Norman	11	5	and the	54					
Scott's Creek	W. A. Henson*	2	12		140					
Shoal Creek	R. Howell	1		52		4.30		73,100		
Savannah	R. W. Green	1	5 7 7	118		2.84	-			1.05
Sylva	T. C. Bryson	1	7	77	57	23.20				
Sol's Creek	S. B. Melton	1	4	30		20.20	No.	14		
Speedwell	S. B. Merton	1	4	51		5 10 Gal	of male	400		
Webster	E. H. Stillwell	1		110	50	7.50		TO EX		
Wilmot	E. H. Stillwell	1	3	50		1.00				
Yellow Mountain	John Fox	1	5	57	48	2.15				
Zion Hill	G. F. Crisp	1	7		50					
SECOND DISTRICT.	Totals,	24	118	1160	990	78.43	5.00			27.74
Burningtown	J. L. Fouts	1	4	78	40	4.00		45/10		
Briartown	J. M. Cochran	1	4	60	1000	10.00		1/200		Variation of
Brush Creek		1			45					Mary July
Coweta	J. H. Young	1	7 7	86	40	5.73				
Cowee	J. T. Raby	1	7	107	56	3.38		1 10		
Cartoogechaye	W. R. Cloer	1	6	57	40	3.30				
Franklin	H. H. Jarrett	1	5	68	54	20.35				
Highlands	J. N. Arnold	1	4	40	25	20.00				
Head of Tenn.	D. W. Rickman	1	4	80		8.00				
Liberty	G. H. Gibson†	2	12	130	74	6.18				
Mt. Hope	J. G. Crawford	1	4	46		3.00				
Middle Creek	R. E. Kimsey	1	6	66	38			3.19	.50	1.13
Oak Grove	D. C. McCoy	1	8	70	41	8,00				
Pleasant Hill	Genie Griggs	1	4	56		1.50		N. Comment		
Pine Grove	W. R. London	1	4	98	75		1000	A STA		
Sugarfork	J W. Nash‡	2		87	67	9.00				-
Tesenta	A. C. Ballew	1	5	45						4.7
Watauga	J T. Young §	2				8.22				3.32
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Caney Fork, Hamburg, Ellijay, Iotla, Mountain Grove and Oak Dale had no reports \*B, W. Henry, †J. E. Rickman, ‡Lydia Higdon, §R. M. Henry.

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