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OF THE ONE HUNDRED AND FORTY-FOURTH ANNUAL
SESSION OF THE

SALISBURY OLD SCHOOL OR PREDESTI-
NARIAN BAPTIST ASSOCIATION,

HELD WITH THE

LITTLE CREEK CHURCH,

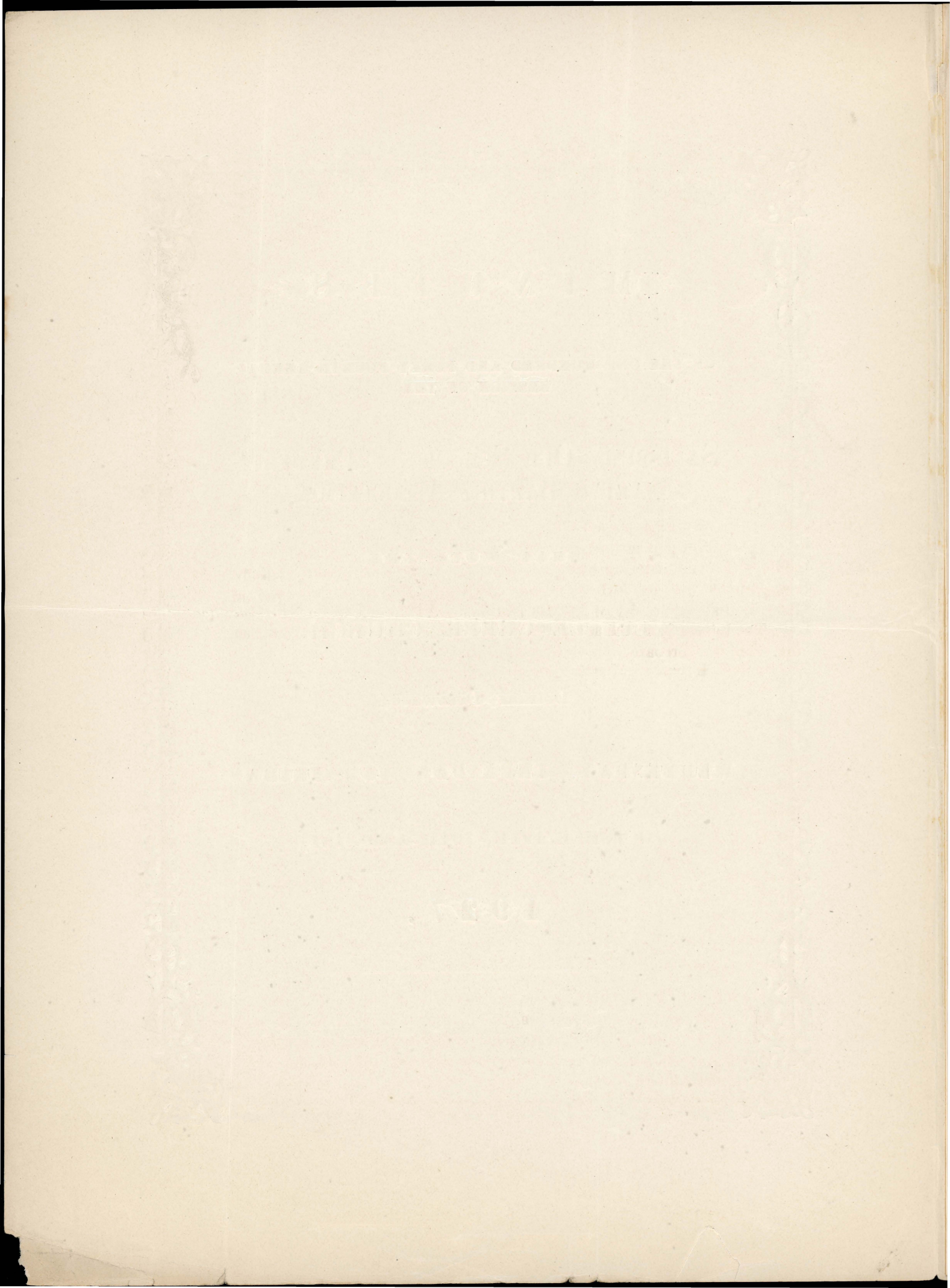
Delmar, Delaware,

WEDNESDAY, THURSDAY AND FRIDAY,

OCTOBER 19TH, 20TH AND 21ST,

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M I N U T E S .

WEDNESDAY, October 19, 1927.

Praise, and prayer by Elder George Ruston.

The introductory sermon was preached by Elder H. H. Lefferts, text, Deuteronomy xxxii. 1-5.

The former Moderator called the Association to order.

On motion, Elder H. C. Ker was appointed Moderator, J. H. Truitt Clerk and George F. Adkins Assistant Clerk.

On motion and second, the Moderator, on behalf of the Association, invited to seats with us ministering brethren, members of the associations and churches in correspondence with us, with the exception of any and all in any way affiliated with those in disorder in any of the associations and churches of our correspondence.

The letters from the several churches were called for, and from them the following table was prepared:

CHURCHES.	MESSENGERS' NAMES.	Dis. by letter.	Died	Members
Salisbury.....	Elder G. E. Coulbourn, brethren H. Rounds, D. Rounds, E. C. Holloway, Henry Hall, W. J. Holloway.....	1	1	31
Indiantown ..	Elder G. E. Coulbourn, brethren J. H. Laws, J. A. Hall, L. W. Timmons, George F. Adkins.....			22
Pitts Creek...	Brethren W. Taylor, Alonzo Pilchard.....			5
Little Creek..	Elder H. C. Ker, brethren W. S. Marvel, Sr., W. S. Marvel, Jr., J. L. Hastings, M. F. Hastings, A. Hastings, C. C. Tomlinson, C. J. Morris, C. E. Lynch.....		3	34
Broad Creek..	Elder C. W. Vaughn, brethren W. S. Bond, S. Benson, sister Lillian A. Dolby.....			8
Nassaongo....	Elder G. E. Coulbourn, brethren W. E. Bailey, J. M. Shockley, W. D. Fooks.....			20
Messongoes...	Elder G. E. Coulbourn, sisters E. M. Byrd and M. A. Summers.....	2		4
Rewastico....	Elder H. C. Ker, brethren H. Bennett, S. Gullette, J. Graham, I. E. Wilson, L. E. Wilson.....			10
Snow Hill ...	Elder H. C. Ker, brethren J. H. Truitt, W. J. S. Timmons, Elder G. E. Coulbourn, T. B. Waters.....		2	17
Forest Grove .	Elder G. E. Coulbourn, brethren G. J. Workman, J. R. Layfield.....		3	17

On motion, the Circular Letter, prepared by Elder C. W. Vaughn, was called for and referred to a committee composed of the deacons of the several churches and all the ministering brethren present, to report to-morrow morning.

On motion, adjourned until to-morrow morning at 10 o'clock.

In the afternoon Elder C. W. Vaughn preached, text, Jeremiah xxxiii. 16; followed by brother D. L. Topping, text, Hebrews xi. 1-11.

THURSDAY, October 20, 1927.

Met pursuant to adjournment.

After praise, and prayer by Elder L. H. Hardy, proceeded to business.

Received communications from corresponding associations as follows:

Baltimore—Minutes. Licentiate D. L. Topping, brethren F. G. Scott, E. A. Johnson.

Delaware—Minutes. Elders H. H. Lefferts, C. W. Vaughn, brethren P. M. Sherwood, J. B. Miller, A. W. Rounds.

Delaware River—Minutes. Elder C. W. Vaughn, brethren W. Hobensack, W. S. Bond, Elder H. C. Ker.

Warwick—Minutes. Elders R. L. Dodson, G. E. Coulbourn, H. H. Lefferts, George Ruston, sister N. McConnell.

Virginia Corresponding—Minutes. Elder H. H. Lefferts, sister M. C. Badger, R. E. Robey, E. V. Craig, E. Cole, D. McIntosh.

Lexington—Roxbury—Minutes. Elders George Ruston, R. L. Dodson, H. H. Lefferts, O. Hasbrouck.

Kehukee—Brother F. G. Scott.

Maine—Elder R. L. Dodson.

On motion, a committee composed of brethren G. J. Workman and W. L. Timmons was appointed to examine and distribute the corresponding Minutes.

On motion, a committee composed of Elders H. C. Ker and G. E. Coulbourn, brethren G. F. Adkins and J. H. Truitt was appointed to receive and distribute the contributions of the churches.

Salisbury, \$37.00; Broad Creek, \$9.50; Snow Hill, \$20.00; Messongoes, \$5.00; Rewastico, \$14.00; Little Creek, \$2.00; Indiantown, \$18.00; Nassaongo, \$12.00; Pitts Creek, —; Forest Grove, \$12.50; collections, \$124.60.

On motion, brother J. L. Hastings was appointed to write the Corresponding Letter.

On motion, the next session of the Association was appointed to be held with the Snow Hill Church, Snow Hill, Worcester Co., Md., to begin on Wednesday after the third Sunday in October, 1928.

On motion, Elder H. C. Ker was appointed to write the Circular Letter for next year.

On motion, the Circular Letter, on recommendation of the committee, was adopted by the Association.

On motion, be it resolved, that any brother who is a member of any association with which we correspond, and is in good standing, who is in attendance at this meeting, who may attend any of the associations with which we correspond, be our messenger to the same.

On motion, adjourned until to-morrow morning at 10 o'clock.

Preaching from the stand by Elder George Ruston, text, Micha vi. 6-8.

In the afternoon Elder L. H. Hardy preached, text, John vi. 61; followed by Elder R. Lester Dodson, text, Romans viii. 31.

Evening, after praise, and prayer by brother W. S. Bond, Elder H. H. Lefferts preached, text, 2 Samuel xxiii. 5.

FRIDAY, October 21, 1927.

Met pursuant to adjournment.

After praise, and prayer by Elder H. H. Lefferts we proceeded to business.

On motion, the Corresponding Letter, prepared by brother J. L. Hastings, was called for, read and ordered printed in our Minutes.

The committee appointed to examine and distribute the corresponding Minutes reported that they had attended to the same.

The appointments of the yearly meetings are as follows:

Forest Grove—On Wednesday after the fourth Sunday in March.

Little Creek—On the third Sunday in April.

Rewastico—Thursday before the last Sunday in July.

Nassaongo—First Sunday in September.

Messongoes—Second Sunday in September.

Indiantown—On the first Sunday in October, and Saturday afternoon before.

Broad Creek—On the first Sunday in November, and Saturday afternoon before.

Snow Hill—On the fourth Sunday in November.

On motion, appointed J. E. Beebe & Co. to print and distribute the Minutes.

Minutes read and adopted by the Association.

On motion, adjourned until next year.

Preaching from the stand by brother W. S. Bond, text, St. John xiv. 1-6; followed by the hearing of very comforting and encouraging words by Elders Hardy, Lefferts, Dodson, Ker and brethren Hastings, Sherwood and Scott.

H. C. KER, Moderator.

J. H. TRUITT, Clerk.

G. F. ADKINS, Assistant Clerk.

MINISTERS PRESENT AND THEIR ADDRESSES.

George Ruston, Kelly Corners, New York; C. W. Vaughn, Hopewell, New Jersey;

R. Lester Dodson, 12 Addison Ave., Rutherford, N. J.; H. C. Ker, Delmar,

Delaware; H. H. Lefferts, Leesburg, Va.; L. H. Hardy, Atlantic,

North Carolina; G. E. Coulbourn, Cape Charles, Va.

LICENTIATES.

W. S. Bond, Hopewell, N. J.; D. L. Topping, Baltimore, Md.

NAMES AND ADDRESSES OF THE CLERKS OF THE CHURCHES.

Salisbury—W. J. Holloway, Salisbury, Md.

Indiantown—G. F. Adkins, Pittsville, Md. (R. R. 2.)

Little Creek—C. J. Morris, Delmar, Del.

Broad Creek—Lillian A. Dolby, Seaford, Del.

Nassaongo—Effie Givans, Salisbury, Md. (R. R. 3.)

Messongoes—Mrs. Parker Kelly, Hallwood, Va.

Rewastico—H. M. Bennett, Mardela Springs, Md.

Snow Hill—Mrs. A. C. Holloway, Newark, Md.

Forest Grove—J. R. Layfield, Parsonsburg, Md.

Pitts Creek—Mrs. Alonzo Pilchard, Pocomoke City, Md.

CIRCULAR LETTER.

The Salisbury Old School Baptist Association, in session with the Little Creek Church, to the several churches, associations and meetings with which we correspond, sendeth greeting and love in the Lord.

DEAR BRETHREN:—Another year with its many changes has passed, and many of us are highly favored of God to assemble together, and we trust we are made thankful unto God for the manifold blessings bestowed. We are rejoicing to note we are dwelling in the unity of spirit and bonds of peace, and also God's servants are of one accord, declaring unto us the gospel. They stand under the commission of God from on high to preach the word. Paul in his charge to Timothy commanded him to preach the word. (2 Timothy iv. 2.) We would call attention to the above charge; as we feel the matter of vital importance we will offer some thoughts. To preach the word we preach that which was with God in the beginning. When the beginning is spoken of we are minded of God's eternal purpose in all things, predestinating from ancient times the things that are not done, saying, My counsel shall stand and I will do all my pleasure. According to the good pleasure of God we were chosen in Christ from before the foundation of the world that we should be holy and without blame before him in love. What a great love we have in our hearts and to comfort one another in. That word was God. What great delight the Father had in his Son, insomuch Jesus declared, I in the Father the Father in me, we are one, and all the saints are one in Christ Jesus. When we hear the gospel's joyful tidings what a glorious

message: the power of God unto salvation to every one that believes. As long as we are guided by the Spirit the church rests in peace. We have no other reason to offer why this Association is resting in peace and harmony than that we are kept by the power of God. In the preached word Jesus as God gave him to be the head over all things to the church, which is his body, the fullness of him that filleth all in all. (Eph. i. 22, 23.) The head over all things to the church is wonderful indeed, for it embraces both nature and grace, hence we have the declaration, He directs all things, and maketh them work together for good to them that love God, who are the called according to his purpose. This glorious blessing is bestowed upon us we hope, but feel unworthy of these blessings. For us to realize such unworthiness keeps us esteeming our brethren better than ourselves and we are ready to serve one another. We feel there is no greater service than serving the bride of Christ, and as we have witnessed the passing to their reward of so many of our faithful servants we question how those remaining are given the strength to meet with and endure so much, but often we note they are overtaxed, so, dear brethren, we ask you, with us, to consider our undershepherds, and provide for their necessities, that they should have our manifested appreciation in the natural as well as the spiritual. Dear brethren, as we close this epistle is not enough to embrace our love to you, and we hope the same manifested virtue may continue in us.

H. C. KER, Moderator.

J. H. TRUITT, Clerk.

G. W. ADKINS, Ass't Clerk.

CORRESPONDING LETTER.

The Salisbury Old School Baptist Association, in session with the Little Creek Church, Delmar, Sussex County, Delaware, October 19th, 20th and 21st, 1927, to the associations with which we correspond, sends greetings.

DEAR BRETHREN:—Once more in the providence of the all-wise Creator, God of heaven and earth, we are gathered together in an associate capacity, to mingle together and talk of the things pertaining to the kingdom of God and to listen to the precious gospel of the Son of God proclaimed. This session has been one of peace and quietness, our attendance has been good and the preaching has been

with the demonstration of the Spirit and with power. We appreciate the presence of your messengers and the continuation of your correspondence. May the God of truth keep us in this fellowship is our sincere prayer.

Our next session is appointed to be held with the Snow Hill Church, Snow Hill, Maryland, beginning Wednesday after the third Sunday in October, 1928, at which time and place we hope to meet your messengers and receive your correspondence again.

H. C. KER, Moderator.

J. H. TRUITT, Clerk.

G. W. ADKINS, Ass't Clerk.

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