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HELD WITH

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The next session will be held with the First Baptist Church in Concord on Wednesday before the third Sunday in September, 1912, at 10:30 a.m. Introductory sermon to be preached by Dr. E.E. Bomar, Charlotte; Rev. L. A.Pruett, Charlotte, alternate.

#### LIST OF ORDAINED MINISTERS.

Austin, Rev. D. M	Charlotte, N. C.
Bomar, Dr. E. E	Charlotte, N. C.
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	(Chadwick) Charlotte, N. C.
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	Matthews, N. C.
	Hendersonville, N. C.
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	Concord, N. C.
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	Concord, N. C.

#### EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE.

Rev. L. R. Pruett, Rev. E. E. Bomar, T. D. Maness, T. J.

Renfrow and W. C. Dowd.

#### Clerk of Association.

Rev. S. F. Conrad, Charlotte, N. C.

#### 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 the right hand of fellowship.
- 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 nave 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 of the Association.
- 7. A copy of the Minutes shall be sent to the Secretary of the State Mission Board, also a 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.
- 8. All questions of order not herein provided shall be decided by "Parliamentary Law."
- 9. he report of the Executive Board and the missionary work of the Association with short reports from the missionaries shall take precedence of all other bsuiness during the morning session of the second day of the annual session.

#### ORDER OF BUSNESS.

The general order of business shall be:

- (1) Enrollment of delegates.
- (2) Election of officers.
- (3) Petitionary letters.
- (4) Appointment of committees for this season.
- (5) Appointment of standing committees.
- (6) Report of special committees.
- (7) Reports of standing committees.
- (8) Report of other committees.
- (9) Miscellaneous business.

#### PROGRAM FOR NEXT ASSOCIATION.

#### To Prepare Reports:

State Missions Rev. L. R. Pruett.

Home Missions Dr. E. E. Bomar.

Foreign Missions Rev. D. M. Austin.

Orphanage Rev. W. A. Hough.

Periodicals Rev. J. R. Pace.

Sunday Schools Dr. H. H. Hulten.

Education Rev. S. N. Watson.

Temperance Rev. S. F. Conrad.

Do not send any but your Minute Money to the Associa-Send the Mission Money to Treasurer at Raleigh.

Brethren, write your reports beforehand, and put in them such information as will be worthy of the cause, and do not leave them to be written at haphazard on the leaf of a minute or scribbled in an almost illegible hand. Typewrite them and they will not need to be rewritten for printing.

S. F. C., Clerk.

#### REPORT OF ASSOCIATION.

The Mecklenburg and Cabarrus Association met with the Stough Memorial Baptist Church in Pineville, according to appointment on Wednesday, September 13th, 1911. The introductory sermon was preached by S. N. Watson, of Concord, from Matthew 16: 24: Then said Jesus unto his disciples, if any man will come after me let him deny himself and take up his cross and follow me.

Following the sermon, W. C. Dowd, the Moderator, called the Association to order by calling for the letters from the churches. Eighteen churches responded with letters, and their delegates enrolled. During the session five others reported by letter with delegates and all the churches represented are reported as follows:

Arlington-R. J. Connell, R. M. Hagler.

Clear Creek-H. W. Piggg, L. S. Pigg, J. A. Helms.

Cornelius-Lee Parker, C. A. Hedgepeth.

Chadwick-I. S. Wallace, E. D. Thomas,

Charlotte First Church—Dr. H. H. Hulten, W. C. Dowd, B. F. Withers, J. A. Durham, J. P. Hackney.

Charlotte Pritchard Memorial—Dr. E. E. Bomar, D. M. Austin, J. J. Ezell, W. F. Dowd, Z. V. Kendrick.

Charlotte Ninth Avenue—L. R. Pruett, R. J. Boyd, T. C. Hunneycutt.

Charlotte, Louise—J. C. Gillespie, S. A. Helms, J. C. Redding, A. B. Hayes.

Charlotte, North-S. F. Conrad, A. H. Dryman.

Concord, First Church—S. N. Watson, B. McLester, Thomas Barnhardt.

Concord, McGill Street-M. A. Carpenter.

Concord, West-J. W. Snyder, W. F. Stegall, G. C. Hartsell, F. Brantly.

Friendship-Covington Garrison, Pearl Garrison.

Huntersville-Letter. No delegate.

Independence Hill—C. S. Davis, J. B. Flowers, J. R. Adkins, S. W. Davis.

Kannapolis-M. H. Carter.

Long Creek-W. O. Smith, J. S. Underwood.

Matthews-J. W. Phillips.

Newell-Arthur Jordan.

Oak Grove-J. P. Stroupe, M. A. Edwards.

Pleasant Plain-J. J. McLendon.

Stowe Memorial-Joseph Griffin, F. E. Pressly, J. A. Cook.

Wilson Grove-W. R. Small, W. F. Stegall.

On motion of Dr. E. E. Bomar, K. W. Hogan was instructed to cast the vote of the Association for W. C. Dowd, Moderator, and for

S. F. Conrad, Clerk, and J. J. Ezell, Treasurer. K. W. Hogan then cast the unanimous vote of the Association for these brethren, who were elected.

The Moderator extended an invitation to all visiting brethren to let themselves be known, and the following brethren were welcomed to seats in the body: E. L. Middleton, Secretary of Sunday Schools; G. E. Lineberry, Educational Secretary; S. P. Hare and J. K. Hare, of South Carolina. The Moderator then appointed K. W. Hogan.

E. E. Bomar and J. W. Snyder, Committee on Order of Business, who reported that Sunday Schools be first considered.

#### Report on Sunday Schools.

The report was read by Dr. E. E. Bomar and discussed by E. L. Middleton, after which the report was adopted:

According to the minutes of our last meeting (1910), there were 18 Sunday Schools in the Association, which kept open 12 months in the year; one, nine months, and one three months. Wilson Grove, Newell, Cold Water and Rock Hill did not report any schools. Huntersville reported a Union school.

It is encouraging to note that 18 of the 26 churches have Sunday Schools which keep open every Sunday of the year.

Conditions are such in some localities which make union schools imperative, but it should be recognized that the best results are obtained where each denomination does its own work. There is a most excellent Union school at Elizabeth Mill, Charlotte, conducted by members of Pritchard Memorial and Ninth Avenue churches. The mill is small and the population is not sufficient for the Baptists to conduct their own school alone.

The total enrollment of scholars in the Association is 4,222 and the total average attendance is 2,057—not quite 50 per cent of the enrollment. These figures are for 1910.

The low average attendance indicates an unsettled and changing population, which is indeed the case with a large portion of the Baptists in the Association. But, this very shifting and changing under proper direction will make for growth. Anything is better than stagnation.

Passing to consideration of the work in the State and within the bounds of the Southern Baptist Convention, we find on all hands indications of advancement and improvement. Our Sunday School Board, located at Nashville, is perhaps the most efficient organization of its character in the United States. Raleigh is in close cooperation with the Sunday School Board at Nashville, and oud most excellent State Secretary, Mr. E. L. Middleton, is tireless in his activity, and efficient along all lines.

During recent years there has been marked progress in the Sunday Schools of North Carolina. In ten years we have gained 212 churches and 55,420 members, but in the last five years of this same decade we have gained 519 Sunday Schools and 62,102 Sunday School pupils, thus making much larger gains in five years in our Sunday Schools than in ten years in our churches. The same gains were made in contributions to Convention objects through the Sunday Schools.

If we compare our State work with the whole Southern Baptist Convention we have ground for encouragement. During the last five years there was a gain of nearly 22 per cent in the number of Baptist Sunday Schools in the South, but in North Carolina a gain of over 40 per cent. In the same time the South gained 34 per cent in Sunday School membership, but in North Carolina we gained 59 per cent.

The demand for trained officers and teachers is growing. Our Secretary is pressing this work with success. Rev. Dr. Prince E. Burroughs, lately of Texas, has been employed by the Sunday School Board at Nashville, to attend to this one thing. Others are co-operating, and together they are pressing this work. We need more teachers and also more teachers who are trained to their work.

#### A Policy for 1911.

We offer the following suggestions, copied from Mr. Middleton's report to the North Carolina State Convention, as a policy for the year before us:

- 1. Thoroughly organize the work.
- 2. Secure a standard of excellence for Baptist Sunday Schools from the Secretary, E. L. Middleton, Raleigh, N. C., and begin in each local school an effort to reach "A-1" in this standard.
- 3. Press the matter of teacher training in normal classes for each school.
- 4. Observe some time in September, October, or some other month as a "Rally Day," or "Enlistment Day," and endeavor to get into Sunday School all the children of the neighborhood.
- 5. Plan for reaching more of our own church members, by a definite canvass of those who do not attend. If we can get the church members to attend Sunday School the children will be sure to attend.

Respectfully submitted,

E. E. BOMAR,

For the Committee.

#### Report on Laymen's Movement.

At the last session the following committee was appointed to report on the Laymen's Movement, and report on a program for work. The committee appointed consisted of J. A. Durham, W. F. Dowd and W. J. Fite. A report was handed in from Chairman J. A. Durham and read and on motion received after discussion by Dr. E. E. Bomar. On motion the committee was continued with instructions from the Moderator to prepare a report and report at next session of the Association.

Your Committee on Laymen's Movement beg leave to report that the committee has effected no organization an as a committee have done practically nothing. At the same time, your committee desires to express its faith in the spirit and purpose of the movement, and its gratification that some of the churches are attempting with success to get the individual members to contribute weekly to missions. One of these churches, the Ninth Avenue, has been much helped by the movement and the system of weekly giving.

It is confidently believed that the appointment of a missionary committee in each church and the canvass of the church members, for weekly contributions to missions, will result in great benefit to the members, as well as to the cause of missions.

The committee expresses the hope that the Laymen's Movement work will be well organized in North Carolina at no great distant date.

I. W. DURHAM, Chairman,

For the Committee.

Committee on order of business made the following report for afternoon and night sessions:

Adjourn at 12:30. Meet at 2 p. m. Spend 15 minutes in devotional exercises, led by D. F. Helms.

Home Missions from 2:15 to 3 p. m.

Education from 3 to 3:40; 3:40 to 4:30, Temperance. For lack of time the report on Temperance was deferred until the night session.

#### AFTERNOON SESSION.

Association met at 2 p. m. and after spending 15 minutes in devotion the report on Home Missions was read by S. N. Watson, of Concord, and, on motion, discussed by himself and Rev. J. K. Hare, of South Carolina. Report was adopted.

#### Report on Home Missions.

Home Missions is the philosophy of making real a Christian civilization in America. To accomplish its purposes is a matter of surpassing importance in any wisely conceived mission policy.

The Old Testament prophets, whose eyes kindled with a vision of the world turning to God, in furthering this divine purpose gave their whole lives to Home Missions. In the Great Commission our Lord gave commands that extend to the utmost limits of the earth, but for all time they also include for each disciple the limits of his own community. They radiate out from that and take in every place between it and the place furtherest away.

In the prosecution of the purpose of our Lord for the redemption of the world, Peter and Philip and Stephen and James were as truly carrying out the divine plan of missions when they preached to the Jews as Paul was when he carried the glad news to the Gentiles. Foreign Missions succeed only when it settles down and makes itself at home. Home Missions is missions making for itself a real home in the hearts of men, and in the economic, social and civic relationships of our own land. We must insist that the gospel of grace shall rise so high in the hearts of God's people that it shall overflow and enrich the arid fields of greed and injustice and crime and wickedness in our own country. If we do not, we surely can not think that our gospel is strong enough to conquer heathen nations. Moreover, how shall we reply if the heathen nations shall say to us, Physician, heal thyself?

Out of 92,000,000 population in America only about 20,000,000 are members of evangelical denominations. About 12,000,000 belong to the Catholics, but their faith is so foreign to the genius of American institutions and so obscure the teachings of the Savior in its idolatrous dogmas of saint worship and papal infallibility that we must regard this religious body as a spiritual liability rather than an asset.

The present growth of the South in material prosperity is marvelous. Our vast material resources are being developed with an almost greedy haste. The enormous property losses of the Civil War have been retrieved and this section now has more wealth than the entire nation had when the war began.

Shall this material prosperity be a curse or a blessing to the South? The Christian people of the South hold the answer If our religion is virile enough to consecrate this wealth to spiritual and moral ends, it will be a blessing. But, if not—if the prosperity of our people is devoted toselfish lux ury and pleasure—it will become a curse to the people and the nation. We stamp the name of God on our minted coin, but only as that name is engraved on the living hearts of men will it avail for the nation or for a lost

soul. The greatest single threat to the power of religion in the South today is the Mammon of unconsecrated wealth.

The Home Mission Board conducts many departments of activity for saving the people and preparing them for lives of service. It has about forty-two workers among the foreigners, twenty-eight mountain mission schools with 127 teachers and 4,500 students, eighteen trained evangelists, who last year baptized about 3,000 converts; thirty-five negro missionary evangelists working effectively among the Southern negroes; thirty-four missionaries who supply fifty-six churches and mission stations in Cuba, five missionaries and four helpers doing a successful work in the Canal Zone; a church building department which aided in building 289 churches last year, and twenty missionaries among the Indians in Oklahoma.

Besides the above, the Home Board participates co-operatively (principally with State Mission Boards) in a number of States in maintaining about 1,100 missionary pastors. This co-operative mission work is in line with the Convention's instructions to the Board to form the closest possible relationship with the existing agencies of the denomination in the various States.

To the end that our Board may enlarge its activities and do for the denomination a work worthy of so great a Christian body and commensurate with the present urgent needs, your committee pleads for regular and large collections for Home Missions in the churches. Our Board could wisely expend a million dollars a year for it. It ought to do it, if we can only bring our churches to make a liberal response to its needs. Surely Southern Baptists must raise the \$400,000 asked, and our own State its apportionment of \$26,000.00.

Your committee recommends:

- 1. That prayer be made in the churches for Home Missions, that God may open our eyes to see and our purses to use the rich opportunities to establish our country on the everlasting Rock of Ages.
- 2. That regular collections throughout the year be insisted on, instead of waiting, as so many do, to the end of the year to give to this cause.
- 3. That our pastors be requested to make an earnest effort at least once during the year to preach a special sermon on Home Missions, and the magnitude and importance of the problems involved.
- 4. That a club of subscribers be raised in each church for the Home Field, the unusually attractive and illuminating monthly magazine of the Home Board.
- That churches andpastors be encouraged to make a larger use of the Home Board's informing tracts and sample copies of The

Home iFeld, both of which ahe free for the asking.

The address of the Home Mission Board is Austell Building, Atlanta, Georgia.

S. N. WATSON,
For Committee.

The Report on Education was then taken up, and the report not being ready was discussed without a report, by G. E. Lineberry, the Education Secretary of the Convention, who discussed the endowment question of Meredith College, and its claims upon the denomination. He was followed by J. R. Pace, of Chadwick, in a most earnest plea for our people to patronize our own schools. The report on Education was to have been prepared by J. E. M. Davenport, who was detained at home by illness.

Committee on Order of Business reported that Dr. H. H. Hulten, of Charlotte, would preach at the night service.

#### NIGHT SESSION.

In the absence of the Moderator, Rev. L. R. Pruett was called to the chair, and after prayer the report on temperance was read and discussed by S. F. Conrad and adopted. Following the report on Temperance a sermon was preached by Dr. H. H. Hulten, of Charlotte, on "Soul Winning," from the text "And he brought him to Jesus," John 1: 42.

#### Report on Temperance.

Since our last session, a yaer ago, we are glad to note that commendable progress has been made in law enforcement, and also in the enactment of some new laws which have been most beneficial in their effects.

The abolition of the licensed sale of near-beer, and some changes made as to the keeping of liquor in clubs, and confining it to private lockers, has wrought some radical changes as to the use of them as general drinking resorts. It is most noticeable that along with these changes public drunkenness has very manifestly decreased. The arrest and punishment of Blind Tigers has had a deterring effect, and, altogether, there is an improvement in the moral tone of our larger towns.

But, let us not forget that the liquor traffic, like other evils, demands our constant vigilance and unrelenting efforts to restrict it to the narrowest limits consistent with the public good. And let us also remember that the use of strong drink appeals to a de-

praved appetite, and that its exhilerating effects causes its use to grow upon the individual into a fixed habit; and that its tendency is to moral corruption, degredation and ruin. It is really one of the most seductive evils of modern times, and must be dealt with according to its damaging and ruinous effects upon public morals and as a menace to the peace and happiness of the community. Let not the plea that people will get it anyway, and the ease by which the law may be violated, have any weight with right thinking people. Theft, gambling, counterfeiting, and many other evils, can be easily done, but no one would think of licensing them because people will do them anyway. Licensing evil will never suppress it, but clothes it with a kind of respectability because it is done under the sanction of law. When the Church sleeps the devil works and nothing pleases him better than when the Church grows indifferent and ceases its protests and opposition to wrong-doing. let not our opposition to its blight and ruin to humanity, nor our vigilance to suppress it for a moment cease.

S. F. CONRAD.

#### THURSDAY'S SESSION.

The Association met on Thursday at 9 a.m., and after spending 15 minutes in devotion, led by J. R. Pace, Rev. L. R. Pruett was called to the chair as Moderator.

The Committee on Order of Business asked to make an amended report for the day which was made as follows:

#### Program for Thursday.

9:00 a. m. to 9:15, Devotional Exercises.

9:15 a. m., Miscellaneous Business.

10 a. m., Wingate School.

10:30 a. m., State Missions.

12:30 p. m., Biblical Recorder.

1:00 p. m., Dinner.

2:15 p. m., Devotional Services, conducted by W. A. Hough.

2:30 p. m., Woman's Work.

3:0 p. m., Foreign Missions.

3:45 p. m., Old Ministers' Relief.

4:15 p. m., Vote of Thanks for Hospitality of the Church and Community.

7:45 p. m., Sermon by Rev. L. Johnson.

#### Resolutions on Open Communion.

Under Miscellaneous Business, S. F. Conrad, the Clerk, offered some Preambles and Resolutions on the question of Open Communion, which, on account of the smallness of the delegation present, he asked to be deferred until the hour before adjournment, at noon. A motion was made to adopt the resolutions as offered, and by consent of the body was deferred to the hour of adjournment for vote.

#### Resolutions as to Open or Free Communion.

Whereas, It is currently reported that in some of our churches there are members who openly avow their faith in the doctrine of open, or, so-called Free Communion, and who also engage in its practice with other denominations; and

Whereas, The Baptist churches of this State have always regarded the Lord's Supper as a church ordinance, and restricted in the terms of its observance to those who are in fellowship, and who have been Scripturally Baptized upon a profession of faith in Christ;

And, further, that the Law of Sequence as to the order of the ordinances established in the Word of God, requires conversion before Baptism, and Baptism before church membership, and church membership before the Supper. And,

Whereas, The Baptist churches of the State have always contended that the preservation and the keeping of the ordinances, both as to form and order, has been committed to the churmhes, and that they are empowered to exercise jurisdiction over them, and to pass upon the moral and doctrinal fitness of those who shall receive them;

Therefore, Resolved, We do hereby reaffirm our faith in the doctrine of restricted Communion, and that the practice of open or Free Communion, as without Scriptural authority, warrant or example, and that those who engage in its practice are out of harmony with the faith of our churches, and where persisted in should be subject to their discipline.

Resolved, Second, That we regard the practice of open or Free Communion, so called, as wrong in principle and misleading practice and fraught with immeasurable harm to the cause of our Lord; and that its appeal for support is to sentiment and not to the Word of God.

Resolved, Third, That the pastors of the churches be requested to preach on this question and hold up to their people the teaching of the Word of God, and that they also use literature among their members calculated to impart unto them light and knowledge on this important question.

S. F. CONRAD.

The Moderator, W. C. Dowd, then took the chair and, on being notified by the Clerk that a Digest of the Church Letters had been prepared, on motion the same was read and adopted.

#### Digest of Church Letters.

We find 23 churches are represented by letters and delegates. The letters show a membership of 4,146, and with Kannapolis added, as reported last year, would give us 4,239 members as against 4,065 last year. We report 259 Baptisms this year as against 250 last year. Sixteen churches report a net gain of 327, while four report a loss of 56, making our net gain 271 against 270 last year.

Twenty-one churches report Sunday Schools, with an enrollment of 3,685 as against 3,990 last year.

We report this year for State Missions \$954.17, against \$999.50 last year. For Home Missions we report this year \$1,445.58 as against \$1,045.88 last year. For foreign Missions we report this year \$1,931.33, against \$2,185.55 last year. For the Orphanage we report this year \$877.99 against \$849.99 last year. For Sunday School missions we report this year \$16 against \$27.31 last year. For Old Ministers' Relief we report this year \$35.32, against \$42.56 last year. For Ministerial Education we report this year \$47.32 as against \$37.86 last year. The letters report for minutes, \$45.95.

The limit of time has not permitted a more general analysis of the letters

S. F. CONRAD, Clerk,

On motion of S. N. Watson it was decided to have the Associational year run from the first day of September to the last of August, so that the reports would embrace the year.

Visitors were invited to let themselves be known and the following persons were introduced to the body: W. J. Nelson, pastor in Rock Hill, S. C., and pastor of the M. E. Church in Pineville.

#### Committees Appointed.

On Finance: J. P. Hackney, S. W. Davis and G. T. Barnhardt. To Nominate Delegates to Southern Baptist Convention: J. J. McClenden, J. W. Snyder and J. P. Stroup.

To Nominate Delegates to State Convention: D. F. Helms, J. C. Gillespie and J. W. Phillips.

Committee on Time, Place and Preacher for Next Session of the Association: S. N. Watson, L. R. Pruett and K. W. Hogan.

Committee to Nominate Executive Board: H. H. Hulten, D. M. Austin, J. W. Snyder.

State Missions was then taken up, and report was made by K.

W. Hogan, and on motion discussed by Rev. Livingston Johnson, secretary of the Baptist State Convention, in one of the most vigorous speeches ever delivered before the Association. It was a most forcible appeal and was presented from the standpoint of doctrine and the great need of the true principles of the gospel in the State. Report adopted.

#### Report on State Missions.

"Fling out the banner! let it float Skyward and seaward, high and wide; The sun, that lights its shining folds, The Cross, on which the Saviour died."

It should be our constant aim to fling out the Banner of Missions. To this end every reasonable effort should be made to enable our people to come into possession of all possible missionary information. Especially should they learn that the Bible is the greatest missionary book ever written, and that upon it our Missionary enterprise is substantially built. The Old Testament is pre-eminently missionary in that we have the most heroic examples of the dissemination of religious information.

As a matter of convenience and helpfulness we have missions divided into three classes—State, Home and Foreign. State missions is the root of the great missionary tree—the foundation of aggressive church work. The tree will not spread its branches and bear its fruit in the foreign field unless the soil in which the root exists is well cultivated so that a pressing invitation in extended the root for growth and development.

Rev. Livingston Johnson, Corresponding Secretary of the State Mission Board, in Biblical Recorder, of August 9th, under the caption of "Our Duty and Our State," shows something of the almost unparalleled prosperity that has come to the South in several lines of industry—agriculture, manufacturing, National banking, and education. He turns quickly from these several lines of activity to give us a pointed paragraph on religious conditions.

He says, "But how about our religious development? Has that been keeping pace with our material and educational progress? The figures do not seem to so indicate. North Carolina is one of the six States in the South in which the Roman Catholics made a larger percentage of gain than Protestants. North Carolina is the only State in the South whose percent ge of increase in church membership did not keep pace with the growth of population. Only 38 per cent of our population is Christian. While there are more church members in the State by 114,800 than there were ten years ago, the proportion of church membership to the total population is 4.2 per cent less than it was ten years ago. While the population

has been growing more rapidly than the church membership, it must be noted that the Baptists have grown nearly 4 per cent more rapidly than the population. The most recent religious statistics are from 1890 to 1906. During this time the Baptists in North Carolina gained 90,123, or 29 per cent, while all others gained only 49,068, or 13 per cent, showing that our gain is more than twice as much as all others combined. This gain, on the part of the Baptists is due, in large measure, to their aggressive State Mission policy."

The last words of that paragraph are worthy of our notice. I repeat for emphasis: "This gain, on the part of the Baptists is due, in large measure, to their aggressive State mission policy." The broader the territory, the richer the soil, the larger the yield. As no stream rises higher than its source, so the amount of religious truth disseminated in the world will depend upon the amount of gospel propagation done at home. We should see to it, my brethren, that there is no slackening of cords, no drawing in of stakes, no loss of energy in the work of State Missions.

Jesus did not want His precious words of truth to fall to the earth, when He said: "But tarry ye in Jerusalem, until ye be endued with power from on high," Luke 24: 49. "And ye shall be witnesses unto me both in Jerusalem, and in all Judea, and in Samaria, and unto the uttermost part of the earth." Acts 1: 8. It is significant that Jesus placed Jerusalem and Judea first in order. The Church is the unit in the State and the State becomes a unit in world-wide evangelism.

With all our hearts, brethren, let us recognize the vast importance of State Missions. Let us raise our full part of the \$50,000, and give larger amounts each succeeding year, until the complete ushering in of the kingdom.

"Fling out the banner! Angels bend In anxious silence o'er the sign, And vainly seek to comprehend The wonder of the Love Divine.

"Fling out the banner! heathen lands Shall see from far the glorious sight; And nations, crowding to be born, Baptise their spirits in its light.

"Fling out the banner!! sin-sick souls, That sink and perish in the strife, Shall touch in faith its radiant hem, And spring immortal into life. Fling out the banner! let it float Skyward and seaward, high and wide, Our glory, only in the Cross, Our only hope, the Crucified.

"Fling out the banner! wide and high, Seaward and skyward let it shine; Nor skill, nor might, nor merit, ours; We conquer only in that sign."

> K. W. HOGAN, For Committee.

#### Wingate School.

By courtesy of the Association, D. M. Austin was permitted to present to the Association the Wingate High School in Union County, which he did, outlining its progress and prospects, and the present enlarged view of its work and as being a center on which several Associations were combining to give it their patronage and co-operation in its management and control. He stated that Anson and Pee Dee had already taken action to join in making it the school of their patronage and support, and that he now asked the Mecklenburg and Cabarrus to also unite upon it as their school and to appoint three members on its board of trustees.

The proposition was most heartily endorsed and after remarks from Rev. J. L. Bennett, the President of the Board of Trustees, the Moderator, by motion, was instructed to appoint three brethren, who were afterwards appointed for this purpose, as follows: D. M. Austin, L. R. Pruett and T. D. Maness.

The report on the Orphanage was next called for and the report was read by Rev. L. R. Pruett, and on motion was discussed by M. L. Kesler, the general manager of the Orphanage. Report was adopted.

#### Report on the Orphanage.

The Baptists of North Carolina should be proud of their Orphanage at Thomasville. They are to be congratulated on having under their control one of the best equipped and well managed orphanages in the entire country. The location of the institution is ideal. It is high and healthful, beautiful and sanitary, made so by nature and awise management. There is no better place in all the State for such an institution. The equipment is not perfect, but it is modern and abreast of the present needs. As the institution grows, new equipment will be added.

The management can not be surpassed. Supt. Rev. M. L. Kesler, with a wise board of trustees behind him and with the devoted and untiring helpers at Thomasville, is conducting an orphanage of high grade and of great usefulness. He was a success as a preacher and the Orphanage. It is a case of "the right man in the right place."

The training the 400 children receive is as good as the best. When a young man or a young girl leaves the Orphanage they go out into the world to bless humanity with a trained life.

The following suggestions are offered:

- That every church and Sunday School take monthly collections.
- 2. That every church, whenever possible, hold a Thanksgiving service and take an offering for this work.
- 3. That each Sunday School take a club of Charity and Children, one the best edited papers in the State, which can be had by subscription for one dollar per year, and in clubs for 60 cents per year.

L. R. PRUETT.

#### REPORT ON PERIODICALS.

The report was read by D. F. Helms, and discussed by S. F. Conrad. Report was adopted.

This is the age of progress and the mind of man is reaching out for something to feed upon.

The newspaper as a medium of information is indispensably necessary, and as an educator is of inestimable importance. No people can be an aggressive people who do not read, and no individual church member can be an aggressive Christian without proper information as to the work being done. One of the great needs of this present age is to be able to discriminate between the cheap, trashy literature that is being scattered broadcast in our land, and that which is unwholesome.

Our denominational papers can only be effective as they are read, and one of the problems that confronts us as a denomination is how to enlist our people in reading our denominational papers.

Experience has taught us that as we increase the number of subscriptions to these avenues of information we have been able to swell our contributions to the different objects that come before our convention.

We claim that the papers representing our dnominational life and work are among the best, for two reasons, viz:

1st. Because of the ability of their editors from a literary standpoint.

2nd. Because of the Biblical information to be found by reading them.

We therefore heartily recommend the Biblical Recorder, Charity and Children, Home Field, and the Foreign Mission Journal, each as filling important places in our denominational life and work. Respectfully submitted,

D. F. HELMS.

#### AFTERNOON SESSION.

The Association met at 2 p. m. The Committee on Time, Place and Preacher reported: Place, First Baptist Church, in Concord. Time, on Wednesday before the third Sunday in September, 1912. Preacher, Dr. E. E. Bomar, Charlotte; Alternate, Rev. L. R. Pruett, of Charlotte. Report adopted.

The Committee to nominate Executive Board reported the old Board, as follows: Rev. L. R. Pruett, Dr. E. E. Bomar, T. D. Maness, T. J. Renfrow and W. C. Dowd. Report adopted.

To nominate Delegate to Southern Baptist Convention, committee reported W. A. Hough. Report adopted.

Committee to nominate Delegates to Baptist State Convention reported the following brethren who were appointed: S. N. Watson, L. R. Pruett, J. A. Pace, T. J. Renfrow and W. F. Dowd.

#### Report on Woman's Work.

The special hour for Woman's Work having arrived the report was made by Mrs. J. D. Withers. On motion it was discussed by Dr. E. E. Bomar, S. P. Hare, of South Carolina, and W. C. Dowd. Report adopted.

A delegation of women of several churches in the Mecklenburg and Cabarrus Association, with a desire to stimulate the missionary spirit and grace of giving among our women and young people, and to aid in collecting funds for missionary purposes to be disbursed by the boards of the State and Southern Baptist Convention met at Independence Hill one year ago and organized a Woman's Missionary Union Auxiliary to the Mecklenburg and Cabarrus Association. A Vice-President and an Executive Committee, consisting of the Presidents of the Woman's Missionary Societies of the Charlotte churches, was elected. Hardly knowing all the conditions, surely not knowing its possibilities, only actuated by a realization

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of the great master of spiritual talent in our denomination, caused by the failure of our charches to use in every phase of spiritual activity, to train our women and young people for Christian service, the work was entered upon with not a few misgivings, but with a determination to reach as many churches, to organize as many societies, and gain as large a co-operation as possible. The aim of the year's work has been to come in contact with the people, to inform them of our plan of co-operation, and to get them to feel the need of such, to have the Mission literature put into the hands of the missionary leaders, to have them alert as to the workers in the Association, to notify me of such ones and to co-operate with me in getting in touch with the pastors and missionary leaders. To accomplish this meagre amount of work 53 letters and 27 postals have been written; leaflets, pamphlets and other literature distributed, 82; miles traveled, 58; churches visited, 2; Associational meetings held, 1. There has been a steady increase of Societies reporting. The first quarter only eight Societies reported. The quarter just closed 21 Societies reported. During the year the women of this Association have reported to me \$1,437.51. The year's work has brought blessings to me, yet, so little has been accomplished this year of the great amount to be done. Truly, I feel that I have been but a pioneer in the work, blazing a few trails that may become main-traveled roads. I commend the work to you. May God's richest blessings rest upon it and upon every phase of the women's work.

Respectfully submitted,
MRS. J. D. WITHERS.

#### Foreign Missions.

There being no report on Foreign Missions, by request C. E. Mason was asked to address the body, and made an address full of the most valuable information on this great question. Dr. H. H. Hulten has since prepared the report which is as follows:

#### FOREIGN MISSION REPORT.

The Foreign Mission Board submits the following for our consideration.

The Foreign Mission situation at the present hour, affords cause for serious consideration, and yet for profound thankfulness. While much has been accomplished, much more remains to be accomplished.

Many people think that the field has been covered; that the missionaries are waiting on the borders of Tibet for permission to enter, and that when they shall have so entered, then the final piece of world evangelization will have been finished, and the speedy consumation of all things will follow.

I have no views to offer as to when the end of the world is going to take place, but I should like to make a suggestion about that Tibetan heresy. What are the facts? There are numerous countries, some of them of enormous territory, that have not yet been occupied by the messengers of the cross. Tibet is by no means the one unentered spot.

- (1). In Asia.—The following countries are unoccupied: Manchuria, Mongolia, Chinese Turkestan, French Indo-China, Tibet, Afghanistan, parts of Russian Turkestan, Arabia (except a few towns on the coast), and the country east of the River Jordan. These places mentioned represent a population of forty-eight millions!
- (2). In Africa.—Territory in North Africa and in Central Africa representing seventy millions! That is to say, there is living in unoccupied territory a population, speaking in round numbers, of one hundred and twenty millions! Does that look as if our work was finished?

Besides this, there are many countries that are included in the term "occupied 'territory" that can be said to be occupied by courtesy only. There are a few missionaries on the field perhaps, but not enough to, in any sense of the word, adequately man the field. At a conservative estimate, therefore, it is safe to say, that there are people, to the extnt of 650,000,000, who have never seen a church, a Bible, or a missionary, and who have never heard that Jesus has come.

#### We Think We Have Done Enough.

We think that Foreign Missions is progressing very favorably. We say: "Did we not give \$12,000,000 for Foreign Missions last year?" |(The United States and Canada gave that amount). "That is doing admirably! Moreover, while the average Protestant preacher in this country added two members to his church-roll, the American Missionary Board added forty-one. The increase in church membership at home was 1 1-2 per cent.; on the foreign field it was 12 per cent. There are two million native Christians and as many more adherents. While in 1909 we increased in our Foreign Mission gifts half a million dollars, the native Christians increased their gifts one and a half million dollars. They gave for their work last year half as much as we gave for Foreign Missions."

And so the impression goes forth that we are doing great things for the lost heathen world. That this idea is a fallacy may be proven by a table of comparison.

We spend on-

Foreign Missions ..... \$12,000,000

We spend on-

Chewing gum	\$20,000,000
Millinery	80,000,000
Soft drinks	107,000,000
Tobacco	900,000,000
Liquor1	,700,000,000

Are we doing too much, or even a fair part, for Foreign Missions?

#### It Is a Critical Moment!

The nations are feeling their way towards independence. Nationalism" is in the air. Me nare saying: "India for Indians," "China for the Chinese," "Egypt for the Egyptians.' If we can leaven the political conceptions of these people with the Christian spirit we can save the day; if not, the result will be disastrous.

Once more! The heathen religious are becoming missionary and aggressive. This is particularly true of Mohammedanism and Buddhism. Mohammedanism is progressing more rapidly in Africa than Christianity is.

Notwithstanding the state of affairs, we are in, the throes of a \$90,000 debt. What is the significance of the fact? Does it mean that our Foreign Mission Board is doing too much? That it is too aggressive? By no means! Does it mean retrenchment? No. That debt is simply God speaking to Southern Baptists, and saying: "My people, you are not doing enough for the salvation of the world." Clearly this is so, especially in the light of the statement that our host of two million Baptists did not quite average 22 cents apiece for the Foreign Mission enterprise.

We have only 273 missionaries in the field, with 531 native helpers, making a working force of 804. But what are these among us so many? Surely the situation is a call to more effective praying, toenlarged forces, and to increased giving.

On motion of Dr. E. E. Bomar the Executive Committee was instructed to apportion \$2,400 for Foreign Missions among the churches, as asked by the Foreign Mission Board. The motion was adopted.

By motion the Clerk was directed to use \$15 for his services and the balance of the minute funds for minutes.

#### Report of Finance Committee.

Collected for	State Missions \$ 65.03
Collected for	Home Missions 16.70
Collected for	Foreign Missions 20.00
Collected for	The Orphaneg 27.00
Collected for	Minsterial Education 4.00
Collected for	Old Ministers' Relief 5.00
Collected for	Minutes and Clerk 28.00
	\$170.40
Collected for	Sunday School Missions 4.00
	JJ. P. HACKNEY,
	G. T. BARNHARDT,
	S. W. DAVIS,
	Committee

A motion was made by L. R. Pruett that the Association extend its thanks to Stough Memorial Church and the people of Pineville for their generous hospitality and splendid entertainment of the Association. Motion unanimously adopted.

Rev. S. F. Conrad moved that Rock Hill and Cold Water Churches be stricken from the list of churches. A substitution was offered by D. M. Austin, which was adopted, that a committee be appointed to visit these churches, and, if possible, reinstate them, and that they report back to the next session of the Association. Moderator appointed S. N. Watson, J. W. Snyder and D. F. Helms.

Committee op Order of Business announced that Rev. L. Johnson would preach at 8 p. m.

On motion the Association then adjourned by singing "Blest Be the Tie That Binds," and closed the session with one of the most cordial hand-shakings, amid many tears, the Association ever experienced.

By common consent the session was regarded one of the best ever held.

Benediction by M. L. Kesler.

#### A LETTER TO THE CHURCHES.

Dear Brother: -

By reference to the amounts apportioned to the churches we have made only a few changes. We urge that the pastors begin early to raise their mission money, and that a committee be appointed to make a direct, personal canvass and that special effort be made to get every member to contribute to missions. So members giving 5 cents per week would amount to \$130.00; 100 members would amount to \$260.00. Many members can do more. Let us endeavor to make this year the greatest year in our history. Do not send any money except Minute Money up to the Association. Send all money for State, Home and Foreign Missions to Walter Durham, Treasurer, at Raleigh. Send the money for the Orphanage to S. H. Averett, Treasurer, at Thomasville. Let every church try to make a material advance along the whole line. During the year hold Special Mission Rally Days with special addresses on the different objects.

L. R. PRUETT,
E. E. BOMAR,
W. C. DOWD,
T. D. MANNESS,
T. J. RENFROW,
Executive Committee.

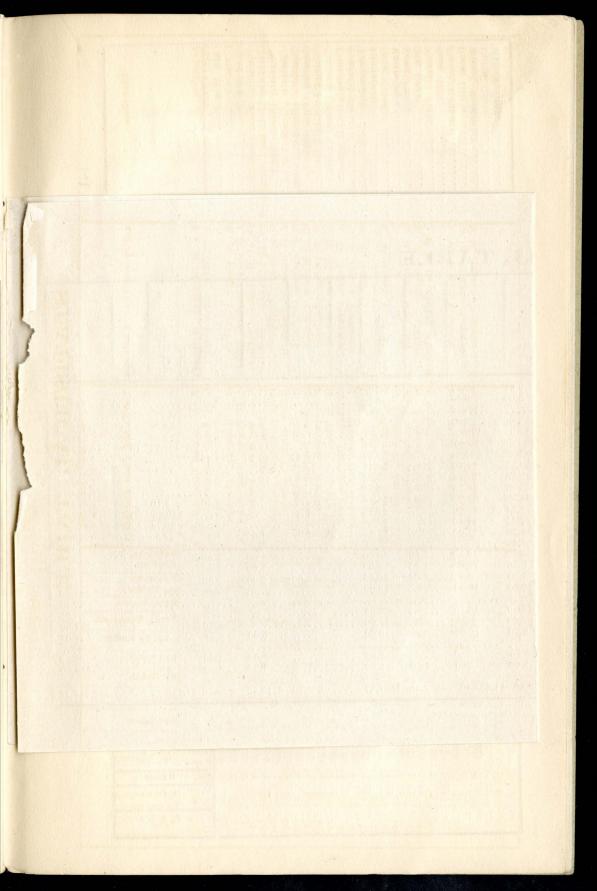
# ASSOCIATIONAL YEAR.

Churches:	State Missions	Home Missions.	Foreign Missions	Ministerial Relief.	Education.	Orphanage.	Sunday School Missions.
Arlington	15 15	\$ 15 10	\$ 30 10	\$ 2 1	\$ 3 1	\$ 5 2	\$ 10 10
Clear Creek	10	10	10	1	1	4	10
Cornelius	30	15	25	3	5	2	20
Chadwick	15	10	20	2	5	2	20
First Church, Charlotte	750	1600	1500	10	25	10	300
First Church, Concord	100	50	100	5	5	3	75
McGill St., Concord	25	10	25	3	5	3	25
West Concord	20	15	25	3	5	3	25
Friendship	20	15	40	1	1	1	15
Huntersville	10	5	5	1	1	1	10
Independence Hill	20	10	15	2	2	2	10
Kannapolis	15	10	15	1	1	1	5
Louise	50	20	35	5	5	5	40
Long Creek	10	10	10	2	2	2	10
Matthews	25	10	25	5	3	2	20
Newells	5	10	5	1	2 5	1 5	8 85
Ninth Avenue, Charlotte	105 30	50 10	110 40	5 1	5	2	10
North Charlotte	25	20	25	2	2	2	15
Pineville	20	10	20	5	5	3	20
Plasant Plain	20	10	10	3	1	2	12
Pritchard Memorial	155	150	350	10	15	10	75
Union Grove	5	5	5	1	·····1	1	5
Wilson Grove	10	5	10	1	_ 1	1	5

Keep these figures before your Church and get every member committed to a definite amount to pay weekly or monthly.

## STATISTICAL TABLE

Churches.	astors and Their Addresses,	Clerks and Their Addresses,	Received by Baptism	Received by Letter.	storation.	Total Received.	Exclusion.	By Death	Total.	Net Gain.	Lost.	Membership, Males.	Membership, Females.	Total Membership.
Arlongton	J. E. M. Davenport, Matthews	W. A. Connell, Charlotte, R. F.	14	14		28	15	1 2	18	10		156	147	303
Clear Creek	A. C. Davis, Olive Branch	L. S. Pigg, Unionville										51	65	116
Cold Water														
Cornelius	W. A. Hough, Cornelius	D. C. Kennedy, Cornelius	27									64	93	157
Chadwick												43	79	122
Charlotte (First Church)					8 1			. 3						967
Charlotte (Pritchard Memorial)	Dr. E. E. Bomar, Charlotte .	J. J. Ezell, Charlotte	18					4 2				98	190	288
Charlotte (Ninth Ave.)	L. R. Pruett, Charlotte	Fred S. Conrad, Charlotte .	32		••			. 3						487
Charlotte (Louise)	J. C. Gillespie, Charlotte	Josiah Allen, Charlotte			• •		18	3 3					137	237
Charlotte (North)	S. F. Conrad, Charlotte	B. F. Cato, North Charlotte.	3		2		24	2			-	38	91	129
Concord (First Church)			3	19				2 4				82	149	231
Concord (McGill Street)	D. F. Helms, Charlotte	J. P. Crowell, Concord	11 54				34				10	67	111	178 198
Concord (West)	J. W. Shyder, Concord	Covington Commison Charlotte			4			17 4				78 11	$\frac{120}{25}$	36
Friendship	R. W. Hough, Pilleville	C T Mullon Huntersville	2		::	4 .		1			::	9	12	21
Independence Hill	W. A. Hough, Cornelius	O. F. Kennedy Cornelius	6			7		. 1		9		21	47	68
Kannapolis	W. A. Hough, Cornellus	C W Right Kannanolis	3	10		13					::	28	39	68
Long Creek	K W Hogan Pineville	I S Underwood Paw Creek	1	10		4					::	21	34	55
Matthews	k, W. Hogan, I mevine	W I. Hatfield Matthews	-		::							44	65	109
Newell	R M Hagler Mint Hill	W. C. Sutton, Newell				2		. 1				6	10	16
Oak Grove														65
Pleasant Plain	J. E. M. Davenport, Matthews	J. E. Broom, Matthews	15	12		29		. 1				. 88	72	160
Rock Hill	D. Z. III. Duvolporo, indeed				_									
Stough Memorial	h. W. Hogan, Pineville	M. G. Hair. Pineville		12		16	13	1 1				35	72	107
Union Grove				2		9	3		3	6		13	14	27
Wilson Grove				3		4		1		3		29	38	67
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## FINANCIAL TABLE

Churches:	Pastor's Salary.	Building and Repairs.	Incidentals.	Sunday School Expenses.	The Poor.	State Missions,	Home Missions.	Foreign Missions.	Sunday School Missions.	Orphanage.	Colportages.	Colleges and Schools.	Ministerial Education.	Old Ministers' Relief.	Other Objects.	Minutes.	Grand Totals.
Arlington	200.00	9.35	49.29	21.05		5.00	9.61	29.87		2.50							440.00
Clear Creek	100.00		11.00		10.00	4.00	5.00	5.00		10.00				1.00		2.00	148.00
Cold Water	275.00	237.58	20.35	21.91	70.27	30.05	7.00	12.00		29.52		1.50	2.00	2.00	34.21	1.88	746.39
Chadwick	300.00	360.48	50.36	45.64		17.07	11.50	17.00	2.00	27.73		1.00	6.17	2.00	2.00	1.50	844.45
Charlotte, First Shurch	3,980.00	2,054.93	2,786.47	979.32		365.30	1,011.35	1,328.80		355.16			10.00		426.58	10.00	12,771.56
Charlotte Pritchard Memorial	1,650.00	337.92	656.27	155.78		115.00				88.61		8.65	66.20	11.11		5.00	3,494.77
Charlotte, Ninth Ave	1,500.00	505.40	359.67	150.00		103.51	58.35			52.44		16.25	10.00		73.90	5.00	2,891.47
Charlotte, Louise	800.00 161.64	22.60 1,018.71	72.04 $36.98$	111.97 50.00		39.75 20.50	22.39 5.25	$31.74 \\ 60.25$	1.00	49.95 5.69		80	10.00	5.99	410.00	3.00 1.50	1,608.53 1,400.32
Charlotte, North	900.00	177.70	228.90	253.00		60.60	45.00		3.00	111.10			3.95	5.00	5.10	3.50	1,880.90
Concord, McGill Street	809.25		62.20	76.56		25.00	12.34	18.06		42.45			0.00	0.00	110.25	1.15	1,157.26
Concord, West	335.28	348.83	78.46	133.48		20.00	14.45			22.58				12.26	32.76	5.00	1,045.20
Friendship	100.00			11.60		23.00	12.25	38.00		14.95		2.00	1.00	1.00	14.55	2.00	220.89
Huntersville	40.00					3.00	1.47			7.50					5.00		56.97
Independence Hill	135.00	633.30	1.32	9.51		14.00	6.50		1.00	10.00			1.00	1.00	15.88	1,00	840.46
Kannapolis	100.00		90.50	19.00		10.00	5.00	10.00	1.00	5.00			1.00	1.00		1.00	584.64
Long Creek	100.00	3.75	$20.50 \\ 28.00$			10.00 20.00	5.00 10.00	5.00 10.00	2.00	10.00 15.00		2.00	2.00	2.00 4.00	50	2.00	171.50 301.00
Matthews	50.00	3.75	20.00	1.00		3.00				15.00				4.00		1	57.75
Newell	300.00	60	18.65	23.00		21.02	14.90	13.20		3.05					40.55	2.00	454.92
Plaesant Plain	200.00			8.00		17.00	6.00	5.00		11.00				3.00		1.00	251.00
Stough Memorial	150.00	529.67	60.16	47.38		20.00	10.00	10.00	3.00	10.00			5.00	5.00		2.00	871.01
Rock Hill				,										,			
Union Grove	60.00					5.37	2.50	2.50		2.50			1.00	1.00			85.27
Wilson's Grove	125.00	78.00	19.00	3.05	13.00	10.00	5.00	5.00	1.00	5.00			1.00	1.00	3.75		269.80
	\$12,831.17	6,818.82	84,563.57 \$2	2,147.79	\$306.42	\$964.17	\$1,449.10	\$1,935.40	\$14.00	\$891.27		\$33.20	\$115.32	\$54.36	\$1,219.23	\$52.50	\$32,819.73

#### Churches.

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Concord (McGill Street)
Concord (West)
Friendship
Huntersville
Independence Hill
Kannapolis
Long Creek
Matthews
Newell
Oak Grove
Pleasant Plain
Rock Hill
Stough Memorial
Union Grove
Wilson Grove

	Lost.	Membership, Males.	Membership, Females.	Total Membership.
		156 51	147 65	303 116
		64 43	93 79	157 122
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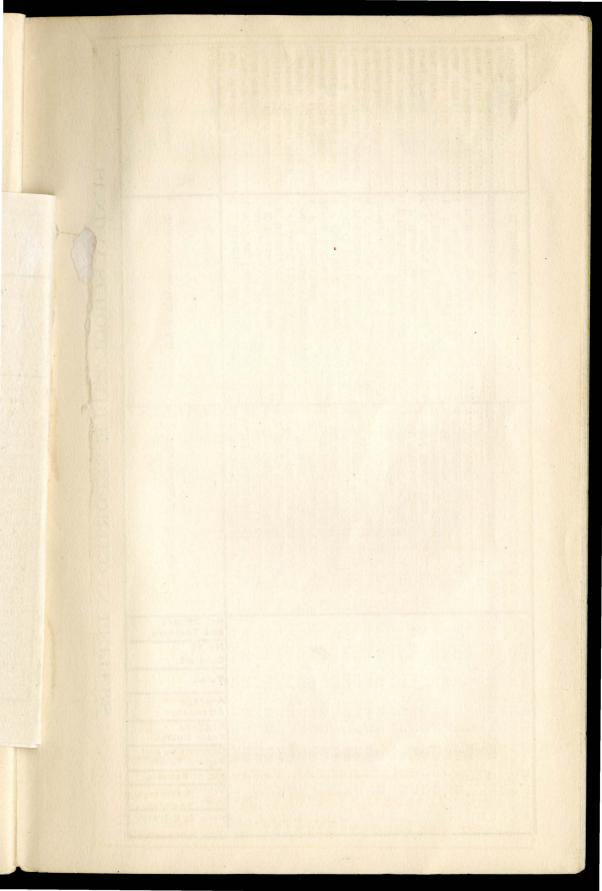
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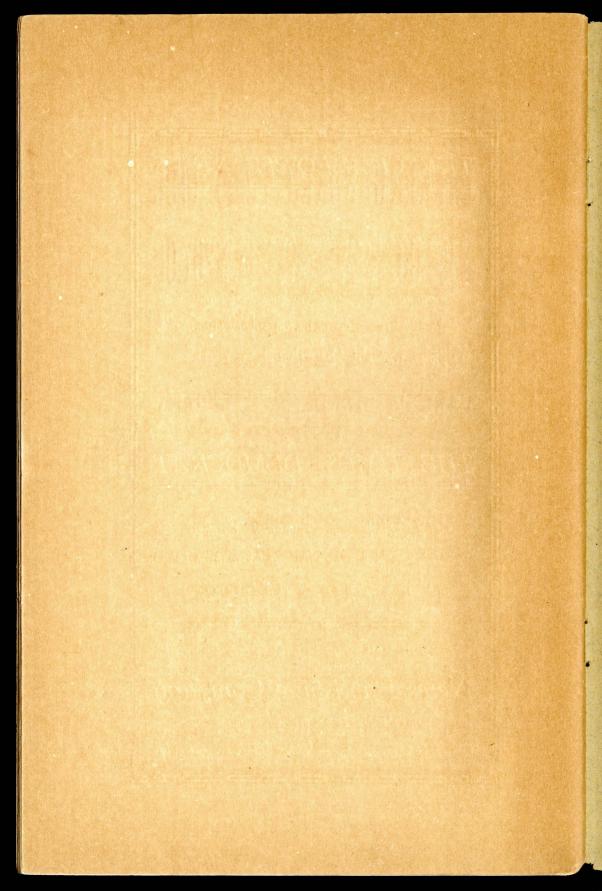
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