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J. L. BROOKSHIER,	J. B. FREEMAN,
P. J. HART,	J. A. STATON.

Next Meeting

With the Church at Salem, one mile north of Fletcher's, N. C., on Thursday before the Second Sunday in October, 1890, at 10.30, A. M.

POLK COUNTY, N. C., AUGUST 29TH, 1889.

The Carolina Baptist Association convened with the Friendship Church. In the absence of the former, Moderator the Clerk called the body to order. Sang the hymn, "Bless be the tie that binds us." Prayer by Elder James Blythe. The Clerk then appointed John Leverett and J. L. Brookshier, Reading Clerks, and letters were read from the different Churches, and the names of Delegates enrolled. The Clerk then appointed tellers for the election. L. B. Johnson and B. F. Turner, for Moderator. J. L. Brookshier and J. W. Freeman, for Clerk. J. A. Staton and W. C. Ward, for Treasurer. The election resulted as follows: W. B. Johnson, Moderator. Joshua Pruitt, Clerk, and P. T. Ward, Treasurer. Then, on motion, Rev. J. C. Stowell, of the Home Mission Board, was invited to a seat in the body. Also, Rev. J. W. Oliver, of the Baptist Orphanage of North Carolina, was invited to a seat. The Association granted Rev. J. C. Stowell time to address the Association on the great important work of the Home Mission Board. On motion, granted J. W. Oliver time to address the Association to-morrow, at 10 o'clock, in behalf of the Baptist Orphanage of North Carolina. Recess 15 minutes.

Came together by singing—resumed the business of the body. On motion the rules were suspended, and the Introductory Sermon postponed until to-morrow morning. Then opened the door of the Association for Churches to unite with this body, and Barnwell, a new Church, presented a letter, was received, and the delegates welcomed to seats. Then appointed a Committee on preaching: T. J. Allen and J. J. Blythe, with the Deacons of Friendship Church. Then by motion appointed a committee to report on the Baptist Orphanage of North Carolina. Committee: J. W. Freeman, J. W. Oliver, A. B. Thompson. Committee on Preaching, report that Elder F. H. Plemmons preach to-morrow afternoon. On motion, dispensed with the Committee on Arrangements, and adopted the order of business of last year to govern this Association this session. The motion adopted. A motion to adjourn and meet to-morrow morning and spend half an hour in devotional exercises. Prayer by J. L. Brookshier. Then adjourned.

ROLL OF DELEGATES.

Mountain Page—J. R. Rhodes, J. B. Ward, R. B. Hipp, B. F. Turner, Washington Hipp. Oak Grove—John Kuykendall, C. A. Hill. Double Springs—W. B. Johnson, W. C. Ward, Franklin Levi, L. B. Johnson. Green Mountain—J. W. Freeman, J. L. Brookshier. Shaw's Creek—Joseph McCreary, P. M. McCollough, M. E. Cox. Green River—G. C. Bedingfield,

J. B. Staton, N. W. Corn. Refuge—T. F. Pace, R. Brock, P. F. Ward, J. A. Staton, John Leverett, T. J. Brock. Pleasant Hill, E. R. Nelson, R. F. Drake. Mount Olivet—J. C. Ward, H. P. Kuykendall. Mountain Hill—Joshua Pruitt, E. M. Pruitt, Willie Pruitt. Middle Fork—W. V. Wilson. Mud Creek—W. E. Jackson, W. F. Robinson. Hendersonville—N. Buckner, H. P. Barnett. Mills River—J. L. Whittaker, P. J. Sitton. Crab Creek—R. L. Raines, D. McCreary, J. P. Patterson. Bear Wallow—J. B. Wall, J. F. Laughter, W. S. Freeman. Ebenezer—Joseph Holbert, B. E. Grant, J. J. Blythe. Cross Roads—Phillip Kuykendall, E. C. Ward, R. L. Heatherly, B. M. Kuykendall. Mount Moriah—A. E. Wilson, Hampton Hill. Pleasant Grove, No. 2—F. M. Stewart, F. J. Allen. Liberty—J. E. Cox, J. S. Ledbetter, M. P. Case. Boileston—J. P. McKinna, D. J. Banning. Saluda—James Blythe, J. I. Davis, William Laughter. Mountain Valley—D. L. Morrison, T. E. Pace. Hooper's Creek—W. J. Wilkie, J. P. Wilkie, G. W. Suttles. Friendship—W. M. Henderson, J. E. Grice, J. L. Thompson. Salem—W. J. Baldwin, J. N. Suttles, S. H. Bagwell. French Broad—W. H. Bowen, J. M. McCarson. Beulah—G. W. Mace, L. C. Hamilton, J. M. Brian, H. D. Drake, W. B. Orr, W. F. Drake. Riverside—M. H. Owensbey. Barnwell—S. L. Laughter, W. R. Barnwell, M. A. Barnwell, B. L. Laughter, W. A. Huggins. Pleasant Grove, No. 1—No Delegates—Cedar Springs,* and Mount Gillied,*—No Delegates.

FRIDAY MORNING, AUGUST 30TH, 1889.

The body met according to adjournment. Spent half hour in Devotional Services, conducted by Elder J. A. Staton. Sang hymn, "Awake, and sing the song." Prayer by Brother Robinson. Then sang the hymn, "What can wash away my stain?" Prayer by E. M. Pruitt. Also prayer by W. J. Wilkie. Then resumed the business of the Association. Then the report of the Committee on Baptist Orphanage of North Carolina, was read. Addresses by J. W. Oliver, J. L. Brookshier and G. N. Mace. On motion, report adopted. A collection was then taken for the Baptist Orphanage, which amounted to \$18.05. The Moderator then appointed the following Committees on Time and Place: J. B. Ward, Joseph McCreary, W. E. Jackson.

Committee on Church Letters: W. C. Ward, Willie Pruitt, T. E. Pace.

On Union Meetings: T. M. Stewart, W. M. Henderson.

Committee on Home Missions: W. J. Wilkie, G. W. Mace.

Committee on Education: T. H. Plemmons, James Blythe, J. A. Staton, Prof. R. H. Lewis.

Those marked thus* were not represented.

Committee on Foreign Missions: J. R. Rhodes, J. Leverett, J. J. Blythe.

Committee on Annual Sermon: John Kuykendall, J. E. Cox, J. L. Whittaker.

Committee on Temperance: J. P. McKinna, J. L. Brookshier, J. C. Ward.

Committee on Nominations: N. Buckner, J. B. Walls, P. Kuykendall.

Committee on Religious Periodicals: B. F. Turner, C. A. Hill, L. B. Johnson.

Committee on State of Religion: J. W. Freeman, T. J. Banning, S. C. Laughter.

Committee on Sunday Schools: T. F. Pace, N. W. Corn, P. F. Drake.

Committee on Obituaries: S. W. Freeman, R. L. Raines.

Committee on Finance: W. A. Huggins, J. J. Davis, E. M. Pruitt. Then recess five minutes.

Came together by singing. Took up the regular order of yesterday. Prayer by T. H. Plemmons, the appointee. Rev. J. L. Brookshier preached the Introductory Sermon from Text, 1st Corinthians, 8th chap. 3rd verse. Sermon pointed, instructive and animating. Recess 'till 1 o'clock, P. M.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

Met according to adjournment. Resumed the business of the Association. The Committee on preaching report Elder Adams Corn to preach at the stand this afternoon. On motion, deferred the reading of the Minutes until to-morrow morning. Again called the roll of Churches, and enrolled from Riverside, Beulah and French Broad, the delegates. Prof. R. H. Lewis of Judson College was invited to a seat in the body. The report of the Committee on the Baptist Orphanage of North Carolina, was read, and on motion adopted. The report of the Committee on Education was read. Motion to receive addresses by Prof. R. H. Lewis, T. H. Plemmons, John Justice. On motion the report was adopted.

REPORT ON EDUCATION.

From the earliest ages the nations which have been educated have held in subjection those which were ignorant, and among educated nations those individuals that have received mental training have always controlled those who have received no training. Let us use this power for Christ. Let not the world have all the advantages. Let us help our young ministers to receive an education that will fit them at once to do more efficient service for Him who hath done so much for us. We com-

mend to the brethren and sisters of Carolina Association our College at Hendersonville—it is now well equipped with teachers, all experienced, and ready to help all who wish it, to a higher level in the educational world.

Respectfully submitted,

F. H. PLEMMONS.
J. A. STATON,
R. H. LEWIS,
JAMES BLYTHE.

REPORT ON NOMINATIONS ADOPTED.

Your Committee submits the following names for Association Board: W. B. Johnson, John Leverett, W. H. Jones, J. R. Rhodes. For Sunday School Board, J. L. Brookshier, J. B. Freeman, P. J. Hart, J. A. Staton.

Respectfully submitted,

N. BUCKNER,
J. B. WALLS,
PHILIP KUYKENDALL.

Then on motion, Prof. R. H. Lewis was added to the Committee on Foreign Missions. Recess half an hour.

Came together by singing, and resumed the business of the Association. The Committee on Time and Place, reported—on motion adopted the report on Time and Place.

REPORT ON TIME AND PLACE.

We, your Committee, submit the following Time: Thursday before the second Sunday in October, 1890. Place, Old Salem, three-quarters of a mile north of Fletcher's, N. C.

Respectfully,

W. J. BALDWIN,
W. C. WARD,
JOSEPH MCCREARY,
W. E. JACKSON.

Then the report of the Committee on Foreign Missions was read. Addresses were made by Prof. R. H. Lewis, James Blythe, W. J. Wilkie, J. L. Brookshier. On motion, the report was adopted.

Then the Committee on preaching report that W. B. Johnson preach to-night at early candle light.

REPORT ON FOREIGN MISSIONS.

We, your Committee, submit the following report: Our blessed Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ said, and surely he meant it, "Go ye into all the world and preach my Gospel to every

creature." He did not limit this command to the brethren at Jerusalem, nor to the brethren of that time; it applies to all believers, and continues while the world stands. Let us as good soldiers of the Captain of our Salvation obey this order and go forward in the discharge of our Christian duties. Millions are daily and hourly dying without hope and without God. If we love our fellow man, let us do what we can for their eternal welfare—if we cannot go we can send.

Respectfully submitted,

J. R. RHODES,
JOHN LEVERETT,
J. J. BLYTHE,
R. H. LEWIS.

Then the report of the Committee on Finance was read, and on motion was adopted.

We, your Committee report, Sent up by the Churches for Minutes: Double Springs, 55; Saluda, 95; Cross Roads, \$1.00; Mountain Hill, \$1.00; Mount Olivet, \$1.00; Hendersonville, \$1.50; Refuge, \$1.40; Barnwell, 60; Salem, \$1.60; Mountain Valley, 85; Shaw's Creek, \$1.50; Mountain Page, \$1.90; Friendship, 70; Bear Wallow, 75; Mount Moriah, 60; Mills River, 50; Middle Fork, 40; Green River, 60; Oak Grove, \$1.30; Crab Creek, 60; Ebenezer, \$1.40; Pleasant Grove, No. 2, 40; Hooper's Creek, 80; French Broad, 75; Beulah, \$1.00; Pleasant Hill, 45; Mud Creek, \$1.00; River Side, 50; Cedar Springs, 50. Total, \$26.10.

Respectfully submitted,

W. A. HUGGINS,
E. M. PRUITT,
J. I. DAVIS.

Then the Committee on Religious Periodicals read and postponed until to-morrow. Sang the hymn, "Jesus lover of my Soul." Prayer by W. J. Wilkie. The body to meet to-morrow morning and spend half an hour in devotional services. On motion, adjourned until 9.30, A. M. to-morrow.

SATURDAY MORNING, AUGUST 1ST, 1889.

The Association met according to adjournment. Spent half an hour in prayer and praise services. Prayer by J. R. Rhodes. Then sang the hymn, "What a friend we have in Jesus." Prayer by Elder B. W. Sims. Then the Committee on preaching report Elder W. J. Wilkie to preach at the stand at 11 o'clock. Then called the roll and marked absentees, read and confirmed the Minutes of the days previous. Then call for correspondence, and received Revs. Adam Corn and P. J. F. Osborne. Correspondents from Transylvania Association; W. B.

Case, from Buncombe County Association. Rev. B. W. Sims as visiting Minister from Kentucky. Then took up the regular order of business. Then again took up the report of the Committee on Religious Periodicals. Addresses by P. J. F. Osborne, James Blythe, J. L. Brookshier. Recess ten minutes.

Again resumed the business of the Association, and, on motion, the report on Periodicals was adopted.

REPORT ON RELIGIOUS PERIODICALS.

Your Committee have no way of ascertaining the number of families in the bounds of this Association that are reading religious papers, but we fear the number is small, and as this is a fast age, we think our Baptists should keep abreast with religious literature, therefore we recommend all the Baptists of this Association to read the Asheville Baptist, and we solicit an earnest support of it by this Association.

Respectfully submitted,

B. F. TURNER,
L. B. JOHNSON,
C. A. HILL.

Then on motion, all addresses be limited to ten minutes. Then read the report of the Committee on the state of religion. On motion the report was adopted.

REPORT ON STATE OF RELIGION.

We, your Committee, submit the following—that so far as we are able to judge that the state of religion in the bounds of this Association is good; quite a number of conversions reported during the year. Contributions are very good. But we heartily recommend that every Church in the bounds of this Association organize Missionary Societies and exert themselves to a greater extent in behalf of the different Missions than ever before.

Respectfully submitted,

JAY W. FREEMAN,
S. L. LAUGHTER.

Then the report of the Committee on Sunday Schools was read, and on motion, set for 10 o'clock Sunday morning. Then the report of the Committee on Obituaries was read, and by motion adopted.

REPORT ON OBITUARIES.

We, your Committee on Obituaries, submit the following report: We find that the Lord has visited twenty-nine of our Churches by death. We find that forty of our members have died, among whom we have lost near friends, but we hope our

loss has been their eternal gain. This seems to be a greater number than usual, but let us all take warning from the past, and prepare to meet death.

Respectfully submitted,

M. E. COX,
W. S. FREEMAN,
R. L. RAINES.

The report of the Committee on Church Letters was read, and on motion adopted.

REPORT ON CHURCH LETTERS.

We, your Committee, report the following: Middle Fork, a revival, and twenty-seven additions by baptism. Crab Creek, nothing special. Mountain Page, nothing special. Mud Creek, nothing special. Ebenezer, nineteen by baptism. Bear Wallow, eighteen by baptism. Friendship, four by baptism. Boilston, nothing special. Green River, two by baptism. Pleasant Hill, nothing special. Green Mountain, twenty-nine by baptism. Barnwell, one by baptism. Hendersonville, nothing special. Oak Grove, two by baptism. Refuge, nothing special. Saluda, three by baptism. Mountain Valley, twelve by baptism. Double Springs, six awaiting baptism. Cross Roads, nothing special. Mount Olivet, nine by baptism. Liberty, nothing special. Mills River, thirty-one by baptism. Mount Moriah, nothing special. Salem, thirteen by baptism. Hooper's Creek, nothing special. Beulah, three by baptism, eleven waiting baptism. French Broad, ten by baptism. Riverside, eight by baptism. Shaw's Creek, six by baptism.

Respectfully submitted,

W. C. WARD,
T. E. PACE,
H. D. DRAKE.

The report of Home Missions was read, and addresses were made by P. J. F. Osborne, John Leverett, J. L. Brookshier, J. R. Rhodes, W. J. Wilkie, G. W. Mace. On motion, adjourned until 1 o'clock, P. M.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

Then on motion, invited all visiting brethren to seats. Then took up the report of the Committee on Home Missions. Address by James Blythe. On motion, the report was adopted.

REPORT ON HOME MISSIONS.

From what we have been able to gather from the report of the Home Mission Board of the Southern Baptist Convention and otherwise, there has been more accomplished in this department

of our work this year, than in any year in the past. More Missionaries sent out; more week labor; more houses built; more preaching done; more baptism and more additions to the Churches than in any previous year in the history of the Convention. God has been signally blessing us in this department of our work, we therefore should take courage and endeavor to supply all the destitution within the bounds of this Association with the Gospel. As to the work done within the bounds of this Association, we refer you to the report of our Missionary.

Respectfully submitted,

W. J. WILKIE,
G. W. MACE.

Then the report of the Committee on Temperance was read. Addresses were made by J. P. McKinna, G. W. Mace, P. J. F. Osborne, T. H. Plemmons, W. B. Case, John Leverett, L. B. Johnson, J. R. Rhodes, James Blythe, W. B. Johnson. On motion, the report was adopted.

REPORT ON TEMPERANCE.

We, your Committee, are glad to say that we believe the cause of Temperance is progressing. Whilst it is not progressing as rapidly as we might wish, still the principles of Temperance are fastening themselves on the minds and hearts of our people in a way that is encouraging. During the last National Campaign Temperance was discussed throughout our nation in the form of Prohibition, and whilst the result was not what the friends of the measure hoped for, still it was impressed upon the public minds, a great moral question, and has made many strong friends to Temperance. Brethren, if there is any one of the great evils of the land which God has pronounced his woes upon more than any other, it is this monster evil of intemperance. We as Baptists of the Carolina Association should, in the name of God, and in justice to our fellow men, do all in our power to drive this evil from the borders of our land. King Alcohol with all his glaring vices, poisoning the blood, shattering the nerves, destroying the mind and corrupting the hearts and morals of our fellow beings, and above all, destroying the immortal soul of man, demands the earnest attention of all God's followers. Let us heed the admonition of the Apostle Peter, "be temperate in all things." And whereas, efforts have been made to suppress the liquor traffic which have failed to remove the blighting curse of intemperance, therefore we recommend all the brethren of this Association to pledge themselves not to vote for any man for office, or to fill any position within the gift of the people, who

makes, vends, or uses spirituous liquors, except for medical purposes.

Respectfully submitted,

J. P. MCKINNA,
J. L. BROOKSHIER,
J. C. WARD.

On motion, the report on Temperance was to be sent to the "Hendersonville Times" and "Asheville Baptist" for publication.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON PREACHING.

J. Leverett to preach to-night. Elder P. J. F. Osborne tomorrow, at 2 o'clock, P. M. Then, on motion, appointed one from every Church on Baptist Orphanage. Mount Page, B. F. Turner—Oak Grove, C. A. Hill—Double Springs, W. C. Ward—Green Mountain, J. W. Freeman—Shaw's Creek, M. E. Cox—Friendship, T. Williams—Green River, J. B. F. Pace—Refuge, J. A. Staton—Pleasant Hill, Mrs. E. M. Greer—Mt. Olivet, J. C. Ward—Mt. Hill, Joshua Pruitt—Beulah, H. D. Drake—Hooper's Creek, W. J. Wilkie—Mt. Gillead, J. S. Rhodes—Middle Fork, John Wilson—Mud Creek, C. F. Robinson—Salem, W. J. Baldwin—Hendersonville, J. Williams—Mills River, Miss Ida Edmunson—Crab Creek, J. L. Patterson—Bear Wallow, J. H. Freeman—Cross Roads, P. Kuykendall—Mt. Moriah, W. E. Jackson—Cedar Springs, J. C. Capps—Liberty, J. O. Walls—Ebenezer, J. H. Fletcher—Pleasant Grove, No. 1, C. Orr—Pleasant Grove, No. 2, F. M. Moore—French Broad, W. H. Bowen—Boilston, J. P. McKinna—Riverside, W. B. Case—Mt. Valley, Joseph Newman—Saluda, J. I. Davis—Barnwell, W. A. Huggins.

REPORT ON ANNUAL SERMONS.

Your Committee submit the following: To preach next Introductory Sermon, J. R. Rhodes; Alternate, G. W. Mace. To preach the next Missionary Sermon, T. H. Plemmons; Alternate, W. J. Wilkie.

Respectfully submitted,

JOHN KUYKENDALL,
J. E. COX,
J. L. WHITTAKER.

Then on motion appointed correspondence, as follows: To the Transylvania Association, J. P. McKinna, Rev. T. H. Plemmons. Green River Association, Rev. W. J. Wilkie. Newfound Association, Rev. G. W. Mace. Buncombe Association, Rev. T. H. Plemmons, Rev. W. J. Wilkie. North Greenville Association, Revs. J. R. Rhodes, J. I. Davis, Joshua Pruitt. Then on motion, Resolution allowing Clerk \$5.00 for his service;

adopted. On motion, the Clerk to print a form of Associational Letter in the Minutes. Resolved, that the Clerk be allowed \$5 00 for his services, and the rest of the Minute fund be expended in printing and distributing the Minutes of the Association.

Respectfully submitted,

J. R. RHODES.

Resolution of thanks, on motion adopted. Resolved, that the thanks of this Association are due, and hereby tendered, the sisters and brethren of this vicinity for their kind care and hospitalities tendered us during our sojourn among them.

Respectfully submitted,

JOHN LEVERETT.

Then on motion, the collection on to-morrow be applied to paying the Missionary, G. W. Mace. Then on motion, elected W. H. Bowen, Historian of the Association.

REPORT ON UNION MEETINGS.

We, your Committee on Union Meetings, make the following report: We find that each District has had a Union Meeting every fifth Sunday during the year, with good results. We suggest that all our Churches send a full representation, and thus make the Union Meetings a success. This we think is necessary to work our Churches up to a full sense of their Christian duties. The first District to include the Churches east of the State road to Hendersonville, and then south of Edneyville road. Union Meeting in this District at Mt. Page, 5th Sunday in September, 1889. The Second District to embrace all the Churches west of the State, to Hendersonville, then south of the Crab Creek Road—and a Union Meeting in this District at Mt. Olivet, on the fifth Sunday in September 1889. Third District, east of the State road, north of Hendersonville, and north of the Edneyville road. Fourth District, west of the State road, and north of the Crab Creek road.

Respectfully submitted,

T. M. STEWART.

W. M. HENDERSON.

Then on motion to send delegates to the Western Baptist Convention. Collection for the same, amounting to \$3.39. Then on motion, W. B. Johnson was elected a delegate to the Western Baptist Convention. The motion adopted. Then on motion to appoint a Sunday School Lecturer in each Union District. For first District, A. B. Thompson. For second District, L. B. Johnson. For third District, Dr. J. P. McKinna. Then appointed a Committee to draft programme for the first District Union, 5th Sunday in September, 1889, B. F. Turner, J. W. Staton. For second District, the Committee to draft programme, W. C.

Ward, W. B. Johnson, J. B. F. Pace, P. Kuykendall. Then on motion, Resolved, That this Association appoint or recommend a Sunday School Convention to be held at Riverside Church, commencing on Friday before the 3rd Sunday in October, 1889, and each Church to send two or more delegates to this Convention. The motion was adopted.

Respectfully submitted,

G. W. MACE.

REPORT ON BAPTIST ORPHANAGE OF NORTH CAROLINA.

The Baptist Orphanage is the property of the Baptists of North Carolina, and has to be supported principally by them though only four years old the work has advanced rapidly, and to-day, we have four cottage homes completed, and the fifth in process of erection. In these homes we now have one hundred and ten children, who can look up to God, and thank him for this their home. The cry is coming to us from hundreds of others who have not life's necessities—no homes, no fathers. Some of these children are from the Western Convention. The home is located west of the center of the State, and belongs equally to the Baptists west of the Ridge, and appeals to them for part of the support. Brethren, let us heed the command of our Master, and care for these destitute ones. God will bless us as a denomination, as a nation, and as individuals, as we own religion by helping the lost and helpless. The children have to do all their work, and are given a business education. We have a farm of 300 acres, which adds much to its support. We have a printing office where "*Charity and Children*" is published, a weekly eight-page paper. This is sent one year to those who give a dollar to the Orphanage. Bear in mind, this goes directly into the Orphanage Treasury. We ask that a Committee of one be appointed in each Church to work for the Orphanage, and that their names and addresses be put in the Minutes for the benefit of the Treasurer in sending out circulars, &c. Let us remember that true and undefiled religion is this, to visit the fatherless and widows in their affliction.

Respectfully submitted,

JAY W. FREEMAN,

J. W. OLIVER.

TREASURER'S REPORT.

Received from the different Churches for Minutes,	\$32.69
Received from Friendship Church for Foreign Missions.	3.00
Received from former Treasurer,	2.35
Received from Mountain Page Church for Associational Missions for 1888,	1.50
Total received,	\$39.54

Paid Clerk for salary and printing Minutes and
distributing Minutes, - - - - - \$32 69

In hand of Treasurer, - - - - - \$6.85

Respectfully submitted,

Z. V. BREVARD, *Treasurer.*

MISSIONARY REPORT.

DEAR BRETHREN: I labored as follows: Days service, 43; miles traveled, 27; sermons delivered, 48; addresses, 6; religious, 50; prayer meetings, 49; professions witnessed, 72; baptisms, 70; collected on the field, on salary, \$12 45. I assisted in a meeting at Green Mountain Baptist, 31; also, at Ebenezer Church, Baptised 18; at Beulah. Baptisms Crab Creek. I have been preaching at Riverside, as it is in a settlement destitute of Baptist preaching, and needs cultivating with Baptist doctrine. I also preached for French Broad Church, as it had gone down to 27 members last year, and was almost a destitute Church. I have baptized 10. Those two Churches have in the last year almost doubled their membership. I have supplied Shaw's Creek Church. The Board was not able to pay me for last year's labor, and I was compelled to stay at home and see after my family, and raise money to pay my expenses. If I could have labored in the destitute parts of the Association, I think I could have accomplished much more good.

Yours in Christ, most humbly submitted,

G. W. MACE.

REPORT OF HISTORIAN.

TO THE CAROLINA ASSOCIATION: Brother Moderator—The action of your last session at Beulah Church, which excited the most interest, was the recommendation to start another Baptist paper for the West. Our last one, "*The Western N. C. Baptist*," having been consolidated with the "*Biblical Recorder*," in compliance with this request, and many others coming from other Associations; and also one from our Western North Carolina Convention, a Publishing Company was organized in the city of Asheville, and on the 20th day of March last, the first number of the "*Asheville Baptist*" was issued. It is a four-page seven column weekly paper, published in Asheville, at One Dollar and Fifty Cents per annum. With your present Historian, as Editor, the enterprise is thus far succeeding well, and seems to be meeting the demands of the denomination as a medium of communication and information. Judson College closed another successful session early in June, and President J. B. Boon, after a successful career of six years, retired and removed to Moberly, Mo., and engaged in the pastorate. The Board of Managers

have however been fortunate in securing the service of Dr. R. H. Lewis, late President of Kinston College, in this State, who becomes President, and who with an able corps of assistants, will open the next Session on the 30th day of August. Rev. T. J. Brook was ordained at Refuge Church, in this County. Your Historian having removed in the early Spring from this County to Asheville, is not informed of the progress made in Associational Mission work during the year. For this item of information you are referred to the report of your Missionary. Several churches have enjoyed revivals, notably, Mills River. Elder T. H. Plemmons is the present pastor, and under his labors, assisted by Rev. E. J. Morgan and Rev. James Plemmons, a most gracious revival has been recently enjoyed. At last account there had been thirty-four professions in thirteen days. Twenty-four had been baptized and the meeting had not closed.

Fraternally yours,

D. B. NELSON, *Historian.*

Then, on motion, adjourned until to morrow morning 9.30, A. M. Prayer by Elder James Blythe.

SUNDAY MORNING, SEPTEMBER 1ST, 1889.

The Association joined in singing the hymn, "How firm a foundation ye saints of the Lord" Prayer by Elder G. W. Mace. Then took up the report on Sunday Schools. Addresses by G. W. Mace, P. J. F. Osborne, T. H. Plemmons. On motion, the report was adopted.

REPORT ON SUNDAY SCHOOLS.

Your committee are glad to say that nineteen of the thirty-one churches of this Association report Sunday Schools, most of them ever green. Some churches report their Sunday School but send no statistics of the number of scholars. There are some 1,400 teachers and pupils engaged in the grand work. We are glad to note that almost all of the conversions to the Churches are reported from the number of the Sunday Schools, then proving that the Sunday School is nothing less than the Church at work. Your Committee are pained to note the small number of church members engaged in the Sunday School work. Brethren, this should not be. Christ says to us, take up the Cross and follow Him, He being our model Sunday School Teacher. We think this Association should have one Sunday School Missionary, to work at least half his time in the bounds of the Association. To this end we ask your consideration. The Lord is doing wonderful things through the Sunday School whereof we are glad. Let us renew our efforts and trust God for greater results. Respectfully submitted,

R. F. DRAKE,
T. F. PACE,
N. W. CORN.

The congregation engaged in singing, and the delegates gave each other the parting hand. Prayer by Elder James Blythe. On motion, adjourned to meet with the Salem Church, one mile north of Fletcher's, N. C., on Thursday before the second Sunday in October, 1890. Then repaired to the stand. The Missionary Sermon was preached by the Alternate, J. A. Staton. Text: Matthew 24th chap. 14th verse. Sermon, pointed, instructive, and edifying. A collection was taken up, amounting to \$6 06. The stand was occupied in the afternoon by P. J. F. Osborne.

W. B. JOHNSON, *Moderator.*

JOSHUA PRUITT, *Clerk.*

NAMES OF ORDAINED MINISTERS.

Richard Higgins,	Bat Cave Post Office,	N. C.
W. H. Jones,	Upwards do.	"
F. C. Hamrick,	Pump do.	"
James Blythe,	Saluda, do.	"
J. L. McCarson,	Hendersonville,	"
G. W. Johnson,	Do.	"
J. R. Rhodes,	Saluda, do.	"
W. B. Johnson,	Grandeur do.	S. C.
J. L. Brookshier,	Fruitland do.	N. C.
M. D. Corn,	Flat Rock, do.	"
Aaron Heatherly,	Do. do.	"
J. W. Anderson,	Delmont do.	"
R. M. Gilbert,	Pump do.	"
W. J. Wilkie,	Fletcher do.	"
G. W. Mace,	Bowman's Bluff,	"
J. M. Bryan,	Do. do.	"
L. H. Hamilton,	Do. do.	"
E. R. Nelson,	Hendersonville,	"
P. A. Kuykendall,	Green River do.	"
J. L. Hider,	Do. do.	"
W. A. Huggins,	Pump do.	"
J. A. Staton,	Blue Ridge, do.	"
John Leverett,	Do. do.	"
F. J. Brock,	Do. do.	"

LICENTIATES.

H. Patton,	Green River Post Office,	N. C.
T. J. Waters,	Upwards Do.	"
W. H. Davis,	Hendersonville Do.	"
Jacob Kuykendall,	Green River Do.	"
J. W. Justice,	Blue Ridge Do.	"

STATISTICAL AND FINANCIAL TABLE.

CHURCHES.	PASTORS.	CLERKS.	POST-OFFICES.	Meeting days	Baptized	Received by letter	Restored	Dismissed	Excluded	Dead	Males	Females	Total membership	When organized	Home missions	Foreign missions	Education	Minutes, fund	Other benevolent objects	Pastors' salary	Value of church property	Associational mis- sions	Ordained ministers	Licentiates	Repairing church
Double Springs	J. F. Singleton	W. C. Ward	Splendor, N. C.	4		1	1	5	2	1	43	64	107	1871				\$ 55					1		
Saluda	James Blythe	J. I. Davis	Saluda, N. C.	4	3						11	20	31	1888				95					1		
Cross Roads	W. H. Jones	W. A. Fortune	Green River, N. C.	3		8		2		1	29	29	58	1843				1 00							
Mountain Hill	E. R. Nelson	Joshua Pruitt	Glassy, S. C.	4	5	4	5	14	14	2	30	60	90	1867				1 05		\$30 00					
Mount Olivet	J. W. Anderson	J. C. Ward	Flat Rock, N. C.	4	9	3			1	1	43	50	93	1882				50		20 00			2		
Hendersonville		W. A. Smith	Hendersonville, N. C.				4			3	39	53	93					1 50							
Refuge	James Blythe	P. T. Ward	Blue Ridge, N. C.	1		2		10	4	3	107	169	276	1847				1 40					3	1	
Barnwell	J. A. Staton	S. L. Laughter		2	1	3		5			17	21	38	1882				60		10 00			1		
Salem	J. L. Brookshier	J. T. Sales	Fletcher's, N. C.	2	13	12		9		1	40	75	115	1838		\$2 60	\$8 62	1 60		65 00	\$100			\$82 00	
Mountain Valley	James Blythe	T. E. Pace	Fish Top, N. C.	3	12	7		5			21	34	55	1887				85							
Shaw's Creek	G. W. Mace	Joseph McCreary	Hendersonville, N. C.	3	6	3	1	11	2	5			116	1875				1 50	\$2 60				2	1	
Mountain Page	J. R. Rhodes	A. T. Hart	Saluda, N. C.	1		1	1	7	4	2	135	155	290				1 90					1			
Friendship	James Blythe	T. H. Williams	Saluda, N. C.	2	4		1	2	4	2			106					70							
Bear Wallow	J. L. Brookshier	J. M. Hambrick	Pump, N. C.	4	18	4	3	9	4	1			103		\$8 55	\$18 50		75		50 00	\$200		1		
Mount Moriah	James Blythe	S. B. Narmey	Edneyville, N. C.	4				5					165					60							
Mills' River	F. H. Plemmons	M. L. Underwood	Sitton, N. C.	2	31	9	1	4		1	47	62	109	1835				50	\$67 59	72 00					
Middle Fork	Richard Higgins	W. F. Huntly	Bear Wallow, N. C.	2	21			4	2	2			79					45		18 00				1	
Green River	J. R. Rhodes	T. T. Morris	Splendor, N. C.	2	2	2		3			32	48	80	1837				60							
Oak Grove	J. R. Rhodes	T. E. Waters	Upwards, N. C.	3	2	1		3	1	1			84	1880				1 30					1	2	
Crab Creek	J. W. Anderson	J. L. Evans	Delmont, N. C.	2				4			1	62	86	148	1834				60		30 00				
Ebenezer	J. L. Brookshier	J. J. Blythe	Hendersonville, N. C.	3	19	6	1	5	1	2	42	68	110					1 20		50 00		\$5 61			
Pleasant Grove, No. 2	James Plemmons	W. R. Whitaker	Pink Beds, N. C.	3				2	2		16	19	35	1879				40	\$1 55	50 00					
Hooper's Creek	J. L. Brookshier	James Youngblood	Fletcher's, N. C.	2		6		19	6	2			71		\$1 25	\$1 25		80		50 00					
French Broad	G. W. Mace	J. C. Morgan	Hendersonville, N. C.	2	10	20	3	1	1	1	20	29	49	1791				75		25 00					
Beulah	L. C. Hamilton	H. D. Drake	Bowman Bluff, N. C.	1	3	6	1	4	3	1	79	123	202					1 00		50 00		\$5 00	3		
Pleasant Hill	E. R. Nelson	J. S. Hefner	Hendersonville, N. C.	3		6			5	1	29	41	70		\$1 90			45							
Mud Creek	J. R. Rhodes	J. N. Corn	Hendersonville, N. C.	4					2	2	25	46	71				1 00			50 00					
Riverside	G. W. Mace	M. H. Owenby	Horse Shoe, N. C.		8	8		4	2	1	22	25	47				50			25 00		\$10 50			
Liberty	R. M. Gilbert	Charles Shepard	Pump, N. C.	3		4		2	5		27	41	68	1848											
Green Mountain	J. L. Brookshier	J. W. Freeman	Fruitland, N. C.	1	29	3		3	3	1	62	75	137	1879		\$7 10		95		50 00		\$5 00	1		
Boilston	E. J. Morgan	J. P. McKinna	Boilston, N. C.	3		3		7	2	3	51	75	126	1861		\$5 00		1 00	\$25 00	50 00					
*Cedar Springs																		50							
*Pleasant Grove No. 1																									
*Mount Gilead																									

Those marked thus* were not represented.

JOSHUA PRUITT, CLERK.

W. B. JOHNSON, MODERATOR.

Sunday School Statistics.

	Plan Baptist	Plan Union	No. Officers	Teachers	Scholars	Scholars Converted	No. Church Members in S. S.	Amount Paid for Support of Sunday Schools	Amount Paid for Sunday School Literature	No. of Volumes in Sunday School Library	Cost of Sunday School Library	Paid for Support of Sunday Schools	Conversions in S. Schools.
Double Springs													
Saluda			2	2	10	3	14						
Cross Roads			3	3	30		35	3 50					
Mountain Hill													
Mount Olivet.	N T		3	4	25		20						
Hendersonville													
Refuge	B.		3	4	59						\$305		
Barnwell													
*Salem	B.		3	6	52	38						\$14 25	13
Mountain Valley													
Shaw's Creek	B.		8	4	42		17	1 51					
Mountain Page			2	5	75		50						
Friendship													
Bear Wallow												\$12 11	
Mount Mariah													
Mills' River	B.			6	55							\$9 13	
Middle Fork													
Green River													
Oak Grove	B.				50								
Crab Creek													
Ebenezer	B.			13	46							\$2 06	
Pleasant Grove No. 2	B.		5	4	60		17	5 60					
Hooper's Creek													
French Broad	B.				40					400			
Beulah	B.		3	6	69	35						\$4 00	
Pleasant Hill	B.		3	4	96		25					\$9 00	
Mud Creek	B.		3	3	25		20					\$4 35	
Riverside	B.												
Cedar Springs													
Liberty	B.		6	5	75		10					\$3 00	
Mount Gilead													
Pleasant Grove No. 1													
Green Mountain	B.		1	4	65	17	31					\$8 00	
Boilston	B.		3	5	104		39					\$8 00	

*Evergreen.

CONSTITUTION.

We, the members of the Baptist Church of Jesus Christ, who have, on profession of our faith in Him, been immersed, believing that the Holy Scriptures are the only standard of faith and duty for Christians, enjoining as they do zealous and continued effort in promoting the cause of our blessed Lord, do now unite in this Association under this Constitution, for the advancement of the objects therein stated.

ARTICLE 1. This Association shall be called the CAROLINA BAPTIST ASSOCIATION, and shall be composed of representatives chosen by each church in the Union, from among the number of its own members, who shall carry to each meeting of the body, certificates of their election, with a statement of the membership, conditions, and prospects of the church they represent, the names of its licensed and ordained ministers, and such contributions as have been made for benevolent objects, which shall be appropriated only as the donors may direct.

II. This Association shall meet annually, and shall be organized as soon as the names of the representatives are enrolled, by the election of a Moderator, a Clerk, a Treasurer, and a Historian, by ballot, who shall hold office until the next annual meeting.

III. Each church shall be entitled to a representation of three delegates, and an additional one for every fifty members in excess of one hundred, and all ordained ministers shall have seats as delegates.

IV. The Association shall be governed by such rules of order as it may from time to time adopt.

V. Any church holding the principles of the doctrines of Christ, and the order of His house, as generally held by those denominated Baptists, may connect itself with this Association at any meeting of the same.

VI. The decisions of the Association shall, in all cases, except in the matter of amendments to the Constitution, be made by a majority vote, but amendments to the Constitution must be adopted by a two-thirds vote. Amendments may be adopted at any meeting of the Association.

VII. The Association reserves the inalienable right to withdraw from any church that abandons the principles of this organization.

VIII. This Association holds that the Churches of Christ, though not possessed of any sovereign authority, are, nevertheless, in their government, independent of each other, and of all other ecclesiastical organizations, and accountable to no tribunal, but to Christ only, and holds that while it is the duty of all Churches, in temporal matters, to be obedient to the laws of the

land, in spiritual matters, they should be obedient alone to Jesus Christ, their only head and law-giver.

IX. While this Association holds that each Church of Christ is an independent body, as above stated, it rather regards itself as an advisory council, but will not presume to dictate for the Churches, but will give counsel, which the Churches may receive or reject; but the Association is of opinion that the best mode of settling differences between Churches, is to take the same scriptural steps as are prescribed for the settling of difficulties between members; that the Church that feels aggrieved should send a statement of the cause of grievance to the sister Church which gave the offence, and if it will not give Christian satisfaction, then call upon one or two sister Churches to assist in a settlement, and if the offending Church will not listen then, then report the same to this body, which will not pay any attention to such complaints unless the above course of procedure has been complied with.

X. This Association will not admit, or receive, any Church into membership in the union, that is known to be in disorder, or composed of members excluded from another Church of the same order of this Association.

XI. Any Church in good standing in this Association shall at any time be allowed the privilege of withdrawing from the same by letter.

XII. This Association may correspond and form a brotherly union with any Baptist organization holding similar views of doctrines and duty with those held by this body.

XIII. This Association may appoint as many boards, or committees, as may be necessary for carrying on the business and accomplishing the objects of its organization. These, when so appointed, shall make reports at the times appointed, by the Association.

XIV. The Minutes shall be read and corrected, if necessary, in the morning of each day of the session, and at the close of the last day.

XV. As the business of the Association must be finished before its adjournment, no member shall be allowed to depart from any of its sessions without leave.

XVI. The objects of the Association shall be the circulation of the Scriptures in destitute places, the encouragement and aid of Foreign, Home, Conventional, and Associational Missions, Education, Sunday Schools and Temperance.

XVII. The Association shall keep a book in which this Constitution, and a minute of each session, shall be recorded, which book shall be present at every meeting of the Association.

RULES OF ORDER.

1. The annual meetings of the Association shall open by singing and prayer, at half-past ten o'clock, on the Thursday before the 2d Sunday in October in each year. At this hour the Moderator, or in his absence the Clerk, shall call the members to order, when the certificates will be presented, and the names of the members enrolled. This body will then be organized by the election of officers, and thus organized, attend upon the introductory discourse, at the close of which the Association will take recess or proceed to business.

2. The order of business is to open the door—1. For membership. 2. For correspondence. 3. For any business coming up regularly.

3. The Association shall on each day open and close with prayer by the Moderator, or a brother, at his request. The title of "brother" shall be used in all the meetings of this body.

4. The Moderator shall preside in the meetings of the body, keep and decide questions of order, subject to appeal from members.

5. Questions shall be decided by "aye" or "no;" doubtful cases by the rising of the members to their feet until they are counted.

6. The Moderator shall appoint all committees, except those ordered by ballot.

7. In all cases by ballot, the Moderator may vote: in other cases he may not, unless the body be equally divided, or unless his vote, if given to the minority, will make the division equal, and in that case the question shall be lost.

8. A member may, on motion, submit any subject to the consideration of the Association that relates to its design or objects, and if seconded, it shall receive due consideration, except it be withdrawn by the mover with the consent of the body.

9. If two or more members shall rise to speak at the same time, the Moderator shall decide the priority of right.

10. If a member shall violate any of these rules, any member may, but the Moderator shall, call him to order.

11. No member shall speak on the same subject oftener than twice, without leave of the Association, except to explain.

12. A member, in making a motion, speaking, or in debate, shall rise and address the Moderator respectfully.

13. When a motion is made and seconded, it shall be stated by the Moderator before debate.

14. When the Moderator is putting the question, or addressing the body, no member shall walk out of or across the house; nor, when a member is speaking, enter into private conversation, or pass between the speaker and the Moderator, but all are required to pay strict attention.

