



MINUTES

—OF THE—

EIGHTEENTH ANNUAL SESSION

—OF THE—

Big Sandy Associat'n, Revived,


OF REGULAR PRIMITIVE BAPTISTS,

AND FIFTY-THIRD OF ORIGINAL,

—HELD WITH—

THE CHURCH AT HOLLOW ROCK,

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PROCEEDINGS

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Big Sandy Associat'n, Revived,

FIRST DAY—SATURDAY.

The introductory sermon was preached by Elder S. H. Meals from the 2d chapter of Romans, 28th and 29th verses. "He is not a Jew, which is one outwardly," etc. The Association then assembled in the house; singing and prayer by Elder W. P. O'Kelly, took up business in order.

1st. Appointed a committee of finance, W. L. Bates, Green Smith.

2. Read the rules of decorum.

3d. Called for the letters from the several churches which were read and received and the messengers names enrolled. See statistical table.

4th. The Association being organized, re-elected Elder S. H. Meals, Moderator; and Elder F. M. Stoker Clerk. Then proceeded to do the following business.

1st. Invited visiting brethren in the ministry, not delegates to seats. Elders R. L. Atkins, J. N. Wallace, W. P. Okelly, and brethren W. G. Pickard and W. A. Underwood, being present, all took seats in this body.

2d. Called for petitionary letters from churches.

3d. Called for corresponding letters from sister Associations; from Forked Deer Association no intelligence, from Bethel, letter and minutes by the hands of her delegates, Elders M. L. Rhodes and J. R. Woods; from Obion, letter and minutes by the hands of Elder T. R. Hendricks and Brother W. F. Vaughn; letter and minutes from Predestinarian by the hands of Elder S. E. Reed and Brethren J. R. Reed and M. P. Mullins; from West Tennessee, minutes but no letter, by the hands of Elders J. R. Hatcher, J. D. Jones. All the above named corresponding messengers together with all visiting brethren of our faith and order were invited to seats with us.

4th. Agreed to appoint the time and place for holding our next Association, agreed that our next Association be held with the church at Mud Creek, Carroll county, Tenn.,

one and one-half miles north-east of Clarksburg, commencing on Friday before the first Sunday in September 1891, and close on Sunday, and appointed Elder R. C. Taylor to preach the introductory sermon and Elder F. M. Stoker his alternate; services to begin at 10 o'clock.

5th. Agreed to have three sermons preached to-morrow and by private ballot chose Elders J. R. Hatcher, J. N. Wallace, and J. R. Woods, with Elder S. E. Reed alternate, worship to begin at 10 o'clock a. m.

6th. Agreed to appoint a committee to write corresponding letters to sister Associations; Green Smith to West Tennessee, M. L. Bates to Predestinarian, G. W. Parks to Bethel, Elder R. C. Taylor to Forked Deer, Jehu Teague to Obion.

7th. Agreed to appoint a committee of arrangements, the following were appointed: J. S. Browning, J. F. Jones, Elder R. C. Taylor together with the Moderator and Clerk to arrange the business for Monday.

8th. Agreed to adjourn till Monday morning 9 o'clock. Prayer by Elder R. L. Atkins.

SECOND DAY—SUNDAY.

Sunday morning at 10 o'clock, the ministers that were appointed to fill the stand, came forward at the time appointed and met a large and attentive congregation. The services were opened by Eld. J. R. Hatcher from Psalms, lxxv. 4: "Blessed is the man whom thou choos-est," etc., followed by Eld. J. N. Wallace, from Ephesians iv. 25: "Husbands, love your wives, even as Christ also loved the church." Concluded by Eld. J. R. Woods from xix. chapter of Job and 26th verse: "And though, after my skin, worms destroy this body, yet, in my flesh shall I see God." We hope from the appearance, and good order manifested, that much good was done in the name of Jesus Christ.

THIRD DAY—MONDAY, 9 O'CLOCK A. M.

The Association met pursuant to adjournment. Singing and prayer by Eld. R. C. Taylor.

1. Called Messengers names. Quorum present.
2. Called on Committee of Arrangements to report. They reported and were discharged.

3. Proceeded to fill the stand by private ballot. The three following brethren were chosen: Elders S. E. Reed, M. L. Rhodes, J. D. Jones.

4. Called on committee that were appointed to write letters to sister Associations. Letter to Forked Deer Association, read and received, and placed in the hands of Elders S. H. Meals, R. C. Taylor and Brother J. F. Jones to bare it. Also, one for Bethel read and received, and brethren agree to bare it, Eld. R. C. Taylor and Brethren J. W. Thompson, J. M. Rhodes, J. T. Chandler and G. W. Parks. One to Obion read and received, Eld. F. M. Stoker, Brethren G. W. Parks and Green Smith agreed to bare it. One also to Predestinarian Association, read and received, and Brethren agreed to bare it, Eld. S. H. Meals, Brethren W. A. Pierce, J. C. M. Rogers, J. A. Cardon, Jehu Teague. One to West Tennessee, read and received. Appointed W. A. Pierce and J. C. M. Rogers to bare it.

5. Agreed to give notice of Union meetings. The 1st District agreed to hold a Union meeting with the church at Beaver Creek, Carroll County, Tenn; commencing Friday before the third Sunday in July, 1891, and appointed Elder F. M. Stoker to preach the introductory sermon. The 2nd District agreed to hold her Union meeting with the church at New Antioch, Henderson County, Tenn., on Friday before the first Sunday in July, 1891, Elder R. C. Taylor to preach the introductory sermon.

6. Agreed to appoint the Clerk Treasurer, and that he superintend printing and distribution of the Minutes, and have four hundred copies printed, and have ten dollars for his services.

7. Called on Committee on Finance to report. They reported, and were discharged.

Received from the churches this year, (\$19.60) nineteen dollars and sixty cents.

8. The Association agreed to tender thanks and sincere gratitude to the brethren and sisters, and kind friends for their kindness manifested during our session.

9. Minutes read and approved.

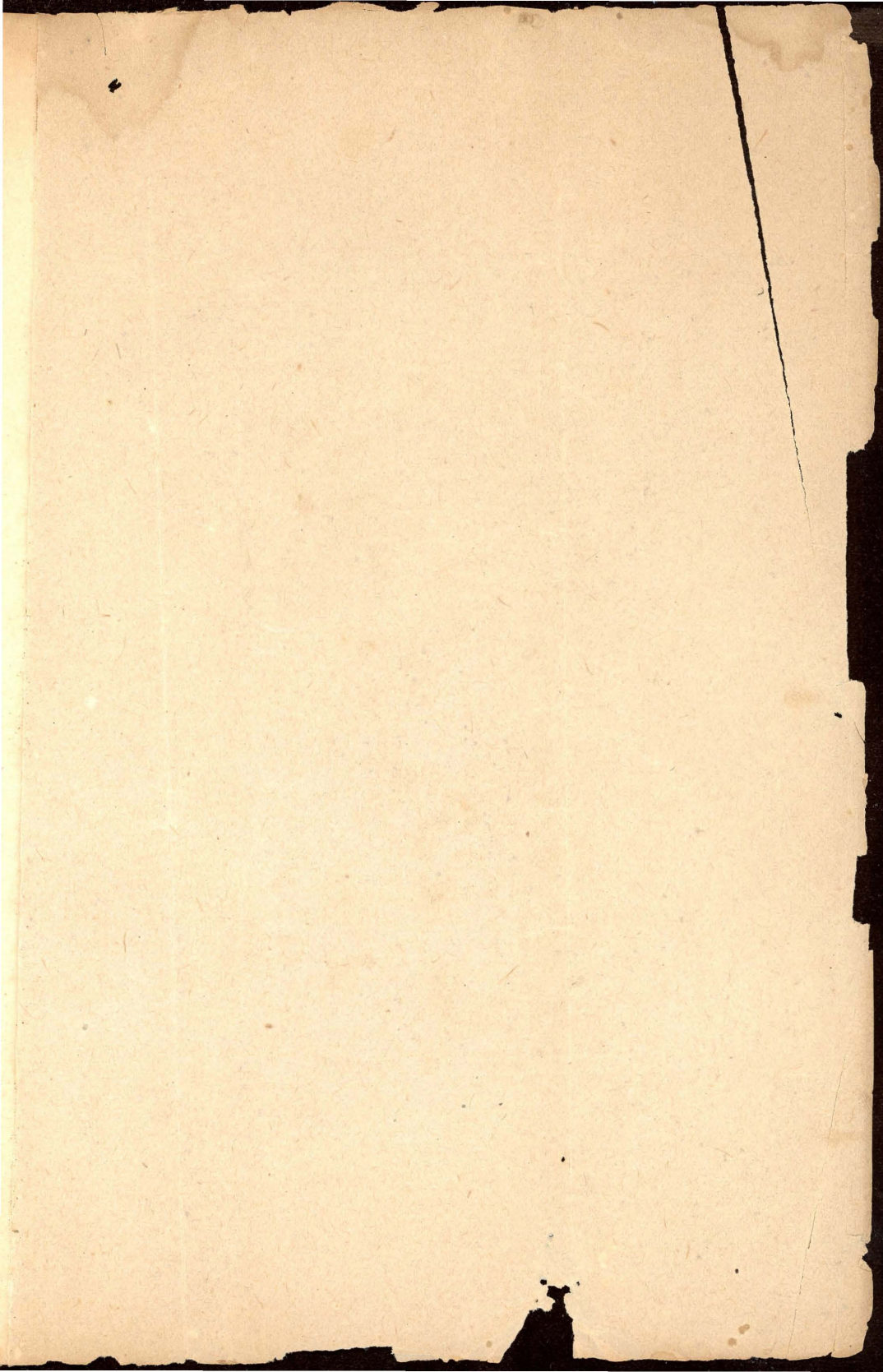
10. Agreed to adjourn to meet with the church at Mud Creek, the day and date above mentioned at 10 o'clock a. m. Prayer by Eld. R. L. Atkins.

ELD. S. H. MEALS, Moderator.

Eld. F. M. STOKER, Clerk.

STATISTICAL TABLE.

CHURCHES.	POST OFFICE.	MESSENGERS.	Rec'd by Letter		Restored	Excluded	Died	Number of Members		Contributions	Days of Meeting
			Rec'd by Letter	Rec'd by Experience				1	2		
Cypress	Camden	W A Pearce, J C M Rogers, W C Thompson	3	2	..	..	12	1	00	2	
Hollow Rock	Hollow Rock	Eld F M Stoker, G W Parks, J H Garret	2	2	..	..	33	2	50	1	
New Hope	Milan	Eld R C Taylor, J F Jones, J S Browning	2	5	3	..	61	3	00	3	
Antioch	Clarksburg	Eld S H Meals, N Waller, L H Meals	..	..	..	..	10	1	50	2	
Mud Creek	Clarksburg	M L Bates, I R Hampton, S D Parsons	1	2	..	2	23	2	00	4	
Beaver Creek	Huntingdon	J W Thompson, J T Chandler, Thos. Orr	..	..	..	..	1	27	2	50	3
New Antioch	Lexington	J A Carden, J M Rhodes, Jehu Teague	..	3	..	..	15	1	50	1	
Ebenezer	Big Sandy	A H Berry	..	..	1	1	10	1	00	2	
Big Spring	Buena Vista	P T Butler, Green Smith, W S Butler	1	1	20	2	00	2	
Totals			11	6	4	1	4	216	1700	..	





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