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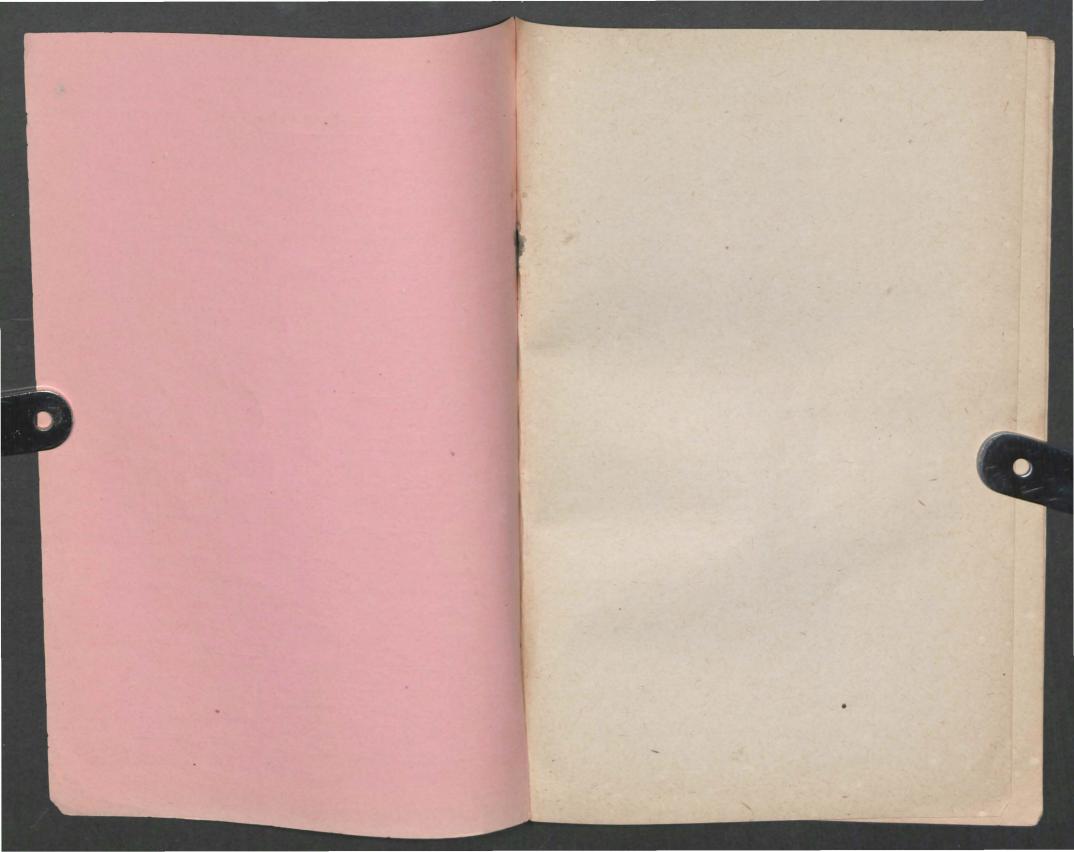
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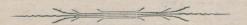
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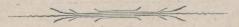
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PROCEEDINGS.

FIRST DAY-MORNING SESSION.

Goldsboro, N. C., October 12, 1897.

The Atlantic Baptist Association met in its Fourteenth Annual Session with the First Baptist Church of Goldsboro, N. C., October 12th, 1897.

Devotional exercises were conducted by Rev. R. D. Carroll at 12 M., by reading the 14th chapter of John, and prayer by Rev. C. W. Blanchard, of Kinston, N. C. The Moderator, Dr. R. H. Lewis, then called the Association to order.

The following Committees were then appointed by the Moderator:

Committee on Finance—Rev. R. D. Carroll, Rev. Benj. Ward and B. F. Dilahunt.

Committee on Petitionary Letters—Rev. J. T. Jenkins, F. O. Cox and W. G. Britt.

Committee on Order of Service—Pastor and Deacons of this Church.

Committee on Order of Service reported as follows: Meet at 2 p. m. 1. Reading Roll of Delegates and Organization. 2. Address of Welcome and Response. 3. Recognition of Visiting Brethren. 4. Appointment of Standing Committees. 5. Report of Committee on Petitionary Letters. 6. Report on Ministers Relief Board.

Night Session Introductory Sermon by Rev. J. E. White. Meet to-morrow at 9 a. m.

On motion we meet at 2:30 this evening instead of 2. Meeting adjourned with prayer by Rev. J. W. Rose.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

The Moderator called the Association to order at 2:30 o'clock. The choir rendered "Jesus Lover of My Soul," after which Rev. J. T. Jenkins led in prayer.

The Clerk called the Roll and the following delegates responded:

Antioch-J. B. Carroll, W. J. Mumford, F. O. Cox and Sister Philia Cex.

Bayboro-By letter.

Bay Creek-Not represented.

Beaufort-Mrs. N. E. Davis, Miss Maud Davis and Miss Annie Davis.

Cove-By letter.

Capernaum-Rev. Benjamin Ward.

Cool Spring-Not represented

Christian Hope-Not represented.

Davis Shore-Rev. R. D. Carroll.

Daughtery-Not represented.

Mt. Nelson-Thos. A. Dawson.

Enon-Not represented.

Falling Creek-T I. Sutton.

Ft. Barnwell-J. W. Lane.

Goldsboro, First Church-Rev. Jas. Long, Rev. C. J. Nelson, J. E. Peterson, J. J. Robinson, G. A. Norwood, Jr., H. T. Jones, Albert Pearsall, E. W. Carr, H. B. Parker.

Goldsboro, Second Church-A. M. Prince, Romeo Doughtry.

Kinston-Dr. R. H. Lewis, Rev. C. W. Blanchard, Robt. L. Rhodes, LaGrange-C. W. Joyner, G. W. Bizzell.

Morehead City-J. T. Jenkins, J. H. Eaton, M. S. Webb, L. L. Leary, Geo. D. Styron, Miss Georgia Wade.

Moore's Chapel-Rev. G. D. Styron.

Maysville-By letter.

Mt. Calvary-R A. Paker, Chas. Parker.

New Berne, Middle Street-Rev. S. J. Porter, Jno. T. Hall.

New Berne, Tabernacle-H. H. Mashburn, H. B. Duffy, J. A. Patterson.

New Hope-W. E. Sutton, J. W. Sutton.

Oregon-Not represented.

Pollocksville-T. A. Bell, Chas. Whitty.

Piney Grove (Jones) -B. F. Dillahunt, J. C. Parker, R. P. Parker,

Piney Grove (Onslow)-Not represented.

Seven Springs-W. R. Simmons.

Smyrna-By letter.

Snow Hill-Dr. W. E. Powell.

Spring Garden-Rev. J. M Alderman.

Swansboro-Rey. Benj. Ward, J. B. Olive, Capt. R. Foster.

Truitt-L. J. Thomas.

Trenton-J. M. Alderman.

Union-W. E. Wooten

Vandemere-By letter.

Vanceboro-Not represented.

Woodville-By letter,

Rev. James Long, pastor of First Baptist Church of Goldsboro, made a very earnest and hearty address of welcome. The Moderator asked Rev. C. W. Blanchard, of Kinston, to respond which he did in an eloquent and appropriate manner.

By special request of Rev. C. J. Nelson, Rev. J. T. Jen-

kins read the 133rd and 134th Psalm.

Rev. J. T. Jenkins moved that Rev. C. J. Nelson cast the vote of the Association for the present Moderator and Clerk. Motion was carried.

On motion by Rev. J. T. Jenkins, J. C. Whitty was elected

Treasurer. Dr. Lewis moved that Rev. James Long, of Goldsboro, be elected Historian. Motion carried.

The Moderator then welcomed visiting brethren as follows: Dr. John Mitchell, representing Board of Education; Dr. E. W. Sikes, representing Wake Forest College; Bro. E. J. Edwards, representing N. C. Baptist; Rev. A. W. Setzer, representing Tar River Association; Rev. J. B. Boone, representing Thomasville Orphans; Rev. J. T. Albritton, representing Eastern Association: Bro. C. W. Mosley, representing Yadkin Association; Bro. N. B. Broughton, representing Biblical Recorder; Bro. John E. Ray, representing Deaf, Dumb and Blind Institute, of Raleigh.

The Moderator welcomed brethren Rev. G. N. Bray, Rev. C. W. Blanchard and Rev. H. H. Mashburn as new mem-

bers and pastors of this Association.

Rev. R. D. Carroll announced that the Committee on Finance was ready for business.

Rev. J. T. Jenkins requested the committee on Petitionary Letters to retire to the Sunday School room.

Report of committee on Ministers Relief was read by Rev. James Long as follows:

REPORT ON MINISTER'S RELIEF BOARD.

This Board is located at Durham, N. C., Rev. W. C. Tyre is President, and Rev. J. F. McDuffle, Corresponding Secretary. Its object is to aid Baptist ministers who have devoted their lives to the preaching of the Gospel of Christ, and in old age are poor and unable to take care of themselves. This Board also aids the widows of Baptist ministers who have been left in needy circumstances. This Board has been steadily growing in fayor with the people. It is now six years old, and has aided about forty since its organization. There are now twelve beneficiaries on the Board. The contributions for the year up to date are \$557. Your committee recommends that the pastors bring this object before the churches at least once a year. It will do our people good to be brought into sympathy with this good and worthy cause.

Respectfully submitted,

JAMES LONG, Committee.

Report was ably spoken on by Rev. James Long and Bro. John E. Ray, and adopted. A collection was taken amounting to \$8.00 for Ministers Relief Board.

Rev. C. J. Nelson, Geo. W. Parker and Rev. J. M. Alderman were appointed committee on Time, Place and Preacher.

Committee on Petitionary Letters reported that Trenton church had been revived. By motion it was received as a member of the Association, and Rev. J. M. Alderman was welcomed by the Moderator as pastor and representative of this church.

Rev. James Long moved that the report on Periodicals be taken up now; committee was not ready to report and Rev. C. W. Blanchard moved that the speeches be made now and the report be read when ready; motion carried.

Bro. N. B. Broughton then spoke in behalf of the Biblical Recorder; Rev. J. B. Boon represented Charity and Children very appropriately, and Bro. E. J. Edwards represented the N. C. Baptist.

Committee on Order of Service reported for Wednesday. Meet at 9 a. m., State and Associational Missions and Sunday School. Afternoon session, Home Missions and Orphanage. Night session, Education.

Rev. S. J. Porter moved that report of committee on Time, Place and Preacher be special order for 12 m. Motion carried. Rev. C. W. Blanchard moved that we meet to-morrow at 9:30 a. m. Motion carried.

Rev. James Long announced that the Ladies Missionary Society would meet at 3 p. m. Wednesday in St. Paul's Methodist Church. Meeting adjourned.

NIGHT SESSION.

Moderator introduced Rev. J. E. White, who preached the Introductory Sermon. Text: 1st chapter Acts and 8th verse. By request Bro. J. E. Ray sang "Nearer My God to Thee," as the deaf and dumb sang it.

After the sermon a collection was taken for State Missions, amounting to \$17.50.

SECOND DAY-MORNING SESSION.

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WEDNESDAY, October 13th.

Devotional exercises were conducted by Bro. John E. Rav by reading a part of the 91st Psalm and prayer. The Moderator then called the Association to order.

The Clerk read the minutes of the first day which were adopted. Moderator welcomed Bro. J. C. Scarborough to a seat in our body as a representative of Chowan Baptist Female Institute.

Chairman of committee on Time, Place and Preacher reported that they would be unable to report at the appointed time, and on motion the time for their report was indefinitely extended.

Rev. R. D. Carroll requested the committee on Finances to retire to Sunday School room.

Report on State Missions was read by Rev. Benj. Ward as follows:

REPORT ON STATE MISSIONS.

The fact that State Missions is a subject of vital importance to our people, is self evident. The State missionaries have fields that, comparatively are uncultivated. They go as messengers of peace and joy to thousands whose only opportunity of hearing the glad tidings is from these self sacrificing missionaries. Their faithful and earnest work deserves our hearty support. We know, of a truth that when we give of our substance to them we are giving to the Lord.

Respectfully submitted,
BENJAMIN WARD, Committee.

Report was spoken to by Rev. John E. White, Bro. John E. Ray, Rev. Benj. Ward, Bro. J. B. Olive and Rev. C. J. Nelson. Report was adopted.

Moderator appointed committee to nominate Executive Committee for the coming year as follows: Rev. J. W. Rose. Rev. S. J. Porter, Bro. J. E. Peterson, Bro. M. S. Webb and Rev. F. O. Cox.

Rev. J. T. Jenkins read the report of the Executive Com mittee on last year's work, as follows:

REPORT OF EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE.

At the close of the Association last year at Morehead City the Executive Committee met at the house of Bro. Jenkins and after taking a general view of the mission fields in our Association, recommended that the State Mission Board make appropriations to Brethren Rose, Carroll, Fry, Styron, Ward, Alderman and Bray. And we also asked for an appropriation for the fields in Eastern Carteret. No appropriations were made to Bro. Styron or to the fields in Eastern Carteret. Appropriations were made to the following Brethren: J. W. Rose \$100, Benjamin Ward, \$40, R. D. Carroll, \$75, W. F. Fry, \$50, G. N. Bray. \$150, J. M. Alderman, \$175. Making a total appropriation from State Mission Board, to the work in our Association, of \$590. All these Brethren have done faithful work as reference to the letters from their Churces will show. We advise that an appropriation be made to put a good field missionary in our Association, who shall assist the pastors and build up weak points etc.

Respectfully submmitted. EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

Rev. J. E. White stated that the State Board had appropriated \$400 to the Tabernacle Church of New Bern in addition to the \$590 reported by the Executive Committee, making \$990. Report was spoken on by Rev. J. T. Jenkins, Rev. Benj. Ward and Rev. C. W. Blanchard. The report was adopted.

Rev. J. T. Jenkins offered the following resolution which was adopted:

WHEREAS, The demands of our Master's cause are so strong upon us and we are not giving enough money to carry on the work. Resolved, that we, the members of this Association, make an effort at this meeting, and when we return home will try to get our contributions doubled this year.

On roll call of churches the following pledges were made for State Missions:

		TO 11 1 111	
Antioch		Pollocksville	15.00
Beaufort	15.00	Piney Grove (Jones)	10.00
Bayboro	15.00	" (Onslow)	10.00
Bay Creek	2.00	Smyrna	10.00
Cove	3.00	Snow Hill	5.00
Capernaum	8.00	Spring Garden	5.00
Cool Springs	2.00	Swansboro	5.00
Davis Shore	10.00	Truitt	2.00
Christian Hope	2.00	Trenton	2.00
Emmaus	2.00	Union	5.00
Enon	20.00	Seven Springs	2.50
Mount Nelson	2.00	Vandemere	15.00
Falling Creek	15.00	Woodville	15.00
Fort Barnwell	7.50		
Goldsboro 1st	75.00	INDIVIDUAL PLEDGES.	
Goldsboro 2d	5.00		
Kinston	150.00	C. J. Nelson	5.00
La Grange	5.00	S, J. Porter	5.00
Morehead City	100.00	Biblical Recorder	5.00
Moore's Chapel	2.00	H. H. Mashburn	5.00
Maysville	4.00	J. E. Peterson	5.00
Mount Calvary	10.00	G. N. Bray	1.00
Newbern, Middle St	100.00	L. G. Thomas	1.00
" Tabernacle	35.00		
New Hope	10.00	Total \$8	803.00

Rev, C. W. Blanchard moved that in regard to the matter of the employment of a field missionary as recommended by the report of the Executive Committee that the matter be referred to Executive Committee with instructions to employ a field missionary, if means can be secured and a suitable man to fill the position can be obtained. Motion carried.

Bro. J. C. Scarborough urged that more lay members go out into the fields to work and not wait for ministers alone.

Committee on Order of Service reported. Education will be discussed by Dr. E. W. Sikes, Bro. J. C. Scarborough and Rev. C. W. Blanchard to-night.

The following committees were appointed by the Moderator for the coming year:

Foreign Missions-Rev. C. W. Blanchard, Rev. H. H. Mashburn and W. G. Britt.

State Missions-Rev. S. J. Porter, W. E. Sutton and G. A. Norwood. Home Missions-Rev. Jas. Long, John Collins and T. A. Bell. Temperance-Rev. J. W. Rose, Charles Parker and J. B. Carroll. Education-Rev. G. N. Bray, J. B. Olive and Thos. B. Ipoch. Orphanage-Rev. J. M. Alderman, H. B. Bell and G. W. Bizzell. Periodicals-H. B. Duffy, S. P. Hancock and J. B. Grantham: Ministers Relief Board-Rev. R. D. Carroll, J. W. Lane and Rev. G. D. Styron.

Rev. James Long moved that Ministerial Education be taken up this afternoon. Motion carried.

Meeting adjourned with benediction by Dr. John Mitchell to meet at 2:30 p. m.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

Moderator called the Association to order at 2:30 o'clock. Association was led in prayer by Rev. J. W. Rose.

Report of committee on Home Missions was read as follows by Rev. J. W. Rose:

REPORT OF THE HOME MISSION BOARD

The Home Board is under the auspices of the Southern Baptist Convention and is located at Atlanta, Ga., doing mission work in the Southern States, among the native white people, foreign population, Indians, colored race and Cubans. Our work in Cuba has been greatly doing a noble work among the refugees in Southern Florida. The Board expended last Conventional year ending May 31st '97. \$103,-1963, Baptisms, 4709. New Churches and Stations supplied, our State Convention they gave \$748.13 to four Missionaries who supchurches of our Convention contributed \$3,967.99 to this Board last Respectfully submitted.

Report was spoken on by Rev. John E. White and J. C. Scarborough, and adopted.

On roll call of churches pledges were made for Home Mis-

sions as follows:			
Antioch. Beaufort. Bayboro. Bay Creek. Cove. Capernaum. Cool Springs. Christian Hope. Davis Shore. Enon. Falling Creek. Ft. Barnwell. Goldsboro 1st church. "2nd" Kinston. LaGrange.	5.00 2.00 2.00 1.00 2.00 1.00 1.00 2.00 5.00 2.00 2.00 2.00 2.00	Mt. Calvary. New Berne Middle St. Tabernacle. New Hope. Pollocksville. Piney Grove (Jones). (Onslow). Smyrna. Snow Hill. Spring Garden. Swansboro. Truitt. Union. Seven Springs. Trenton.	
Morehand City	2.00	Vandemere	2.00
Morehead City	18.00		2.00
Moore's Chapel	1.00	Total amount	\$163.00
Maysville	1.00		\$100.00

Committee on Finance reported amount of money in their hands for Home Missions, \$56.49; Ministers Relief Board, \$45.24; Orphanage, \$14.27; Foreign Missions, \$66.58; State Missions, \$79.05; Ministerial Education, \$60.98; Minute Fund, \$29.60. Total, \$352.21.

Report of committee on Finance was adopted.

Rev. R. D. Carroll moved that the money in the hands of Finance Committee be turned over to the Secretary of the State Convention (as the Treasurer was absent) and that he disburse the different amounts to their respective places.

Rev. J. W. Rose offered an amendment to the motion that the Finance Committee be instructed to turn over the money to the representatives of each object for which it was contributed. Amendment adopted.

The report of committee to nominate an Executive Committee was read by Rev. J. W. Rose as follows:

We respectfully recommend the following brethren: Rev. C. W. Blanchard, Chairman; E. L. Edmundson, T. A. Bell, Rev. J, T. Jenkins, F. O. Cox, W. R. Simmons and J. C. Whitty.

By motion of Bro. J. B. Olive the report was adopted: Rev. C. W. Planchard read the report on Orphanage as follows:

REPORT ON ORPHANAGE.

The Baptist Orphanage is located at Thomasville, N. C. It commenced operations in Nov. 1885. Four of the five College buildings have their mates; i e, a provision room, a cook room, a dining room and a work room. Besides these Colleges there are the Infirmary for the sick, the Fanny Miller Building, a work house for the girls, the Lassiter Building, that contains the office of Charity and Children. which will be changed into a printing office, and the Central Building which has been only recently completed. In all there are 15 good brick buildings belonging to the Orphanage. Since it first opened the Orphanage has cared for 375 children coming from 69 counties of this State and 9 from South Carolina. There are present now 160 homeless children, with applications before the Manager to run the number to 180. The Central Building which was occupied in June, has a small debt apon it of about \$500, which must be settled on November 1st, it being in the form of a note to a bank The Institution was never in better favor with the people than now; and it is drawing from a much wider source than ever before. The great need of the Orphanage now is, for the Pastors and Sunday School Superintendents to keep its claims before the people and widen the circulation of the Orphanage paper, Charity and Children.

Respectfully submitted.

C. W. BLANCHARD.

Report was spoken on by Rev. C. W. Blanchard and Rev. J. B. Boone.

Rev. S. J. Porter moved that the collection for the Orphanage be deferred until to-night. Motion carried.

On motion report on Orphanage was adopted.

Rev. C. J. Nelson read the report of committee on Time, Place and Preacher. Davis Shore as the place; Tuesday after the second Sunday in October, 1898, as time, and Rev. C. W. Blanchard to preach the introductory sermon.

By motion the report was adopted.

Rev. James Long moved that the report on Education be taken up to-morrow morning. Motion carried.

Bro. H. B. Duffy moved that report on Time, Place and Preacher be reconsidered. Motion lost.

By motion of Rev. C. J. Nelson the Association adjourned with benediction by Rev. J. M. Alderman until 7:30 to-night.

NIGHT SESSION.

The Moderator called the Association to order at 7:30.

Dr. E. W. Sikes addressed the Association in behalf of Wake Forest College, after which all sang, "All Hail the Power of Jesus Name."

Rev. C. W. Blanchard then spoke on Christian Education and in the interest of Wake Forest College. Prayer was then offered by Rev. J. E. White.

Bro. J. C. Scarborough represented the Chowan Baptist Female Institute in a very appropriate manner.

According to appointment of this evening a collection was taken for the Orphanage amounting to \$10.56.

Association was dismissed with benediction by Rev. J. W. Rose.

THIRD DAY-MORNING SESSION.

THURSDAY, October 14th.

Devotional exercises were conducted by Rev. H. H. Mashburn by reading the 24th chapter of Luke and prayer.

The Association was then called to order. The Clerk read minutes of second days proceedings which was adopted.

Rev. C. W. Blanchard moved that a committee of three be appointed to the Baptist State Convention and one to Southern Baptist Convention. Rev. C. W. Blanchard, Rev. S. J. Porter and Rev. James Long were the committee.

By ballot Rev. C. W. Blanchard was elected as a member of the State Mission Board.

Committee to nominate delegates to Baptist State Convention reported, recommending H. B. Duffy, T. A. Bell and Rev. J. W. Rose.

To Southern Baptist Convention Rev. H. H. Mashburn.

C. W. BLANCHARD, S. J. PORTER, JAMES LONG.

Report was adopted.

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On motion by Rev. S. J. Porter, the Secretary of the Ladies' Missionary Society that convened yesterday was asked to hand a report of their proceeding to the Clerk, so it could be inserted in the minutes of the Association.

Rev. James Long suggested that the names of the President and Secretary of the Societies appear in the minutes.

Rev. J. W. Rose, G. W. Britt and F. O. Cox were appointed a committee on Constitution.

Rev. S. J. Porter read the report on Education as follows:

REPORT ON EDUCATION.

I. PRIMARY EDUCATION.

One of the objects of the Baptist State Convention is to encourage and favor the education of all the people. Under present conditions we are aware that the majority of the children of our State are dependent upon taxation for the rudiments of an education. For this reason we are in sympathy with the public school system, and favor measures to increase its efficiency

II. ACADEMIES.

Within the bounds of our Association, are a number of well equipped

academies and high schools that are doing much toword educating our youth. Some of these academies are managed by Baptist teachers. We urge our brethren to patronize them and encourage the founding of at academy in every available community.

III. MINISTERIAL EDUCATION.

One of the primary objects of the Baptist State Convention is to assist indigent, worthy young men, called of God to preach the Gospel, in securing an education. The work of the Ministerial Board of Education at Wake Forest College speaks for itself in the lives and labors of the men whom it has helped and who have preached and are now preaching in our own State, in other States and on the mission fields far away. This Board is now in need of funds to carry on its work. In the name of the Lord let us come to its aid.

IV. WAKE FOREST COLLEGE

Is the property of the Baptists of North Carolina; and a paying piece of property it is, as all must concede who have observed the glorious returns it has yielded during the last half century. It has been a potent factor in our denominational growth, and has done noble work in the service of the State. We are glad to report that during the last session there were enrolled 263 students, representing North Carolina, South Carolina, Virginia, Georgia, Tennessee Florida and Maryland. The new departments of Law and the Bible have justified themselves. In the Law department last year there were enrolled 85 students; and in the Bible 86 students. A healthy Christian atmosphere has prevailed which is by no means a hindrance to progressive study and research. We rejoice in the success of our college.

V. FEMALE EDUCATION.

The Baptist Female University is a necessity. The exterior of the handsome building is nearing completion. To preserve our girls as sympathetic workers in our denomination we must educate them under Baptist influences.

Oxford Female Seminary and Chowan Baptist Institute are well worthy of the patronage they enjoy. They have accomplished a great deal of good, and a bright future lies before them.

VI. STATE AND EDUCATION.

We are unalterably opposed to the policy of the State in granting subsidies to certain institutions of learning. As the disestablishment of the Church was for the welfare of Christianity, so we believe that the disestablishment of schools for higher education would result in good. We condemn the policy of State aid to higher education as unjust to the people of the State, unfair to other institutions of learning, and unwise as a matter of State economy; but our resistance shall be open and manly.

S. J. PORFER, L. L. LEARY, Committee. Report was spoken on by Rev. S. J. Porter, Dr. John Mitchell and H. B. Duffy.

Rev. James Long moved that a collection now be taken for Board of Education. Motion was carried and collection taken amounting to \$88.79.

Roll of churches was called and pledges were made as follows for Education:

		Dina Crava (Janes) D.	30
Antioch	\$12.50	Piney Grove (Jones) 5.1	50
Designat	5.00	Smyrua.	
Beaufort	5.00	DHOW LILL.	
Bayboro	4 00	Spring Garden 1.	
Bay Creek	. 1.00	Swansboro 1.	00
Cool Springs	1.00		00
De : Ol	2.50	Tulbu.	
Davis Shore	1.00	Union 2.	
Enon	2 -0	Sevan Springs 1.	00
Falling Creek		Vandemere 2.	50
Fort Barnwell	1.00	Vandemere	
Callabara for	25.00	3141	=0
Goldsboro 1st	0.00	Total amount\$141.	0.0
* 2nd	10.00		
Kinston.,		INDIVIDUAL PLEDGES.	
LaGrange	. 2.00	INDIVIDUAL LEDDOG	
Manaland City	12.00		.00
Morehead City	1.00	D. J. I 01001	
Moore's Chpael	4 00	J. J. Robinson 5.	.00
Mt. Calvary	1.00	1. N. Bray 1.	.00
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Pollocksville			

Rev. H. H. Mashburn read report on Foreign Missions as follows:

REPORT ON FOREIGN MISSIONS.

God's love moved Him to give His Son that a lost world might through Him be saved. The Son says, As thou hast sent me into the world even so have I also sent them into the world John 17:18. The noblest work of heaven and earth, therefore, is to spread world-wide the knowledge of the saving power of gospel. The pulse of christianity is rarely stronger than its efforts to carry out the great commission. We are glad that Southern Baptists are preaching the word of God in Mexico, Brazil, Italy, China, Japan and Africa. Eighty six missionaries with three or four times as many native helpers are doing the work. But there is great need that yet larger efforts be put forth. Every church in the Atlantic Association ought to increase its activities in this work.

Report was spoken on by Revs. H. H. Mashburn and S. J. Porter and adopted.

J. H. Eaton offered the following resolutions which were adopted:

Resolved, That the visiting delegation of this body hereby express

their hearty thanks and appreciation for the very kind and hospitable manner in which we have been received and entertained by the brethren and citizens of Goldsboro.

Resolved, That the Association express its appreciation and extend thanks to the Argus for reporting the proceedings of the Association and also to the A. & N. C. R. R. for reduced rates to the delegates.

Rev. James Long moved that the Association should not adjourn until the business of the body was finished. Motion adopted.

Rev. R. D. Carroll read the report on Temperance as follows:

REPORT ON TEMPERANCE.

As a religious denomination we need to have some well defined convictions upon the subject of Temperance. Then we need the courage of those convictions. We all admit that intemperance is a stupendous evil. It is a curse to all who are affected by it. The best code of morals must be taught by the churches of Jesus Christ. What, then, shall be the attitude of the more than thirty five churches that compose this Association to the temperance movement, to be plain, to the liquor traffic? Let total abstinence be the standard adopted by all these churches, and let not one compromise with intemperance or indulge drunkenness among its members, and let not the Association recognize any church that fellowships liquor dealers. Let all the pastors preach upon the subject of temperance at least once a year, and instruct their people and congregations upon this all important subject. What we need is not to resolute here in the session of the Association, but to do some earnest telling work among the people in their homes. If the people were as temperate in their homes as they ought to be, we would not need to discuss the matter in our annual meetings and pass resolutions that the mass of the people never know anything about.

Respectfully submitted,

R. D. CARROLL.

On motion by Rev. Jas. Long the report was adopted.

By motion it was made the duty of the Executive Committee to look after the churches, &c., mentioned in the seventh article of the constitution.

Rev. J. W. Rose read report of committee on Constitution as follows:

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON CONSTITUTION

We your committee on Constitutional Amendments recommend that Section 8 of Constitution shall require the Association's Historian to bring a report before the Association each year giving a summary of the progress of the work in our field, which shall be incorporated in our annual minutes.

Respectfully submitted,

COMMITTEE.

Report was spoken on by Rev. J. W. Rose and adopted. On motion by Rev. J. W. Rose the Clerk was allowed his usual salary and instructed to expend balance of minute money in printing minutes.

Rev. S. J. Porter suggested that a map of the territory and churches, &c., of the Association be embodied in the minutes if there was money enough in hands for same.

Rev. Jas. Long stated that he would offer a motion at the next session of the Association relative to dividing the Association and making of it two separate and distinct bodies.

Rev. James Long moved that all amounts that could be collected from pledges already made be turned over to H. B. Duffy for the Colportage work. Motion adopted.

Finance committee reported again as follows: Amounts received from Bayboro and Vandemere churches, Education \$2.00; Home Missions, \$2.00; Orphanage, \$3.50; Foreign Missions, \$2.00; Minute Fund, \$1.00. Total, \$10.50. The report was adopted.

Rev. R. D. Carroll moved that the money now in the hands of the Finance committee be turned over to the Clerk with instructions to disburse it to its respective places. Motion carried.

Rev. R. D. Carroll begged for a large representation of delegates at the next session of the Association to be held at Davis Shore. He stated that the Davis Shore church had requested that at least 200 delegates would be in attendance. The delegates will be met at Morehead City by good boatmen and boats and given free transportation from Morehead City to Davis Shore and return.

Rev. J. T. Jenkins made some brief and encouraging state ments about Bro. Johnson's work at Atlantic and stated that he was in need of a house of worship, and that with the assistance of \$50 he would be able now to procure a house suitable to the occasion. Pledges were then taken for that object as follows, to be paid on or before Jan. 1st, 1898:

Rev. C. W. Blanchard \$5; Rev. J. T. Jenkins \$5; H. B. Duffy \$5; Rev. S. J. Porter \$5; Goldsboro 1st church (by Rev. Jas. Long) \$5; Antioch \$5; Pollocksville (by T. A. Bell) \$2.50; Rev. B. H. Matthews \$2.50; Mrs.

N E. Davis \$1; Beaufort Helping Hand Society \$1; W. R. Simmons paid \$1; Dr. John Mitchell paid \$1; Rev. J. M. Alderman paid \$1; J. K. Parrott paid \$1; Mrs. H. L. Grant paid \$1; Cash collection \$8. Total amount \$50.00.

Report of Executive Committee was read by Rev. J. T. Jenkins and adopted as follows:

The Executive Committee of the Atlantic Association met in the Sunday School room of the First Baptist Church, Goldsboro, Oct. 13th, 1897. Chairman announced that the only thing to be done at this meet ing was 15 hear from Rev. J. E. White in regard to amount we might toon will give \$500 to the State Board. Bro, White stated that if the Association will give \$500 to the State Board we may expect \$1,000 from the Board for the Associational work.

The Association pledged today \$800, \$300 of which remains to be used by us at the discretion of the Executive Committee. It was agreed of \$300 to be paid out of the \$1,000 by the State Board. Bro. White stated however that the State Board was already under obligations to give the Tabernacle church the \$300.

J. T. JENKINS, Secretary. C. W. BLANCHARD, Chairman.

Executive Board met by appointment in the Sanday School rooms of the First Baptist Church, Goldsboro, Oct. 14th, 1897. The following appropriations were recommended:

Newbern Tabernacle Church, Rev. H. H. Mashburn, pastor, \$300. Pitt and Green counties, Rev. G. N. Bray, missionary, \$90. Lenoir and Wayne counties. Rev. J. W. Rose, missionary, \$100, Craven and Jones counties, Rev. J. M. Alderman, missionary, \$150. Carteret county, Rev. R. D. Carroll, missionary, \$75. Carteret county, Rev. Geo. D. Styron, missionary, \$60.

Mt. Calvary, church repairs, \$25. Pamlico county, Rev Harris, missionary, \$50.

Revs. C. W. Blanchard, J. T. Jenkins and Bro. E. L. Edmundson were appointed a committee to select and employ a field missionary for the Association.

C. W. BLANCHARD, Chairman. J. T. JENKINS, Secretary.

By motion of Rev. C. W. Blanchard the Association adjourned by singing "God be with you till we meet again," and benediction by Dr. John Mitchell.

DR. R. H. LEWIS, MODERATOR.

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Report of Womans Missionary Meeting of the Atlantic Association.

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On Wednesday afternoon, Oct. 13th, a goodly number of ladies of the Goldsooro Missionary Society, visiting ladies and others, met in St. Paul's M. E. Church. Mrs. H. B. Duffy, of Newbern, N. C., Vice President, in the chair. After the singing, responsive scripture reading, and prayer by Miss Draughn, of Kinston, followed by another hymn, the meeting was addressed by our State Mission Secretary Bio. J. E. White. He urged the women of today for whom the Gospel has done so much, to show their love for Christ and His cause by helping others less favored, and by prayer and personal effort to do their part in winning to Christ lost ones in their homes, their neighborhood and wherever their influence extends,

An expression of thanks from the ladies was given Bro, White for his inspiring address.

Mrs. Grant was asked to act as Secretary. Mrs. Duffy then read a letter from our State President, Miss Heck, which was full of helpful suggestions, loving counsel and encouragement for our work. This was followed by the reading of letters from some of our Missionaries concerning their work, customs of the people and obstacles in the way, all of which were exceedingly interesting as read by Misses Draughn Farrior and Mrs. Crow.

Reports were then celled for from the different Societies represented in the meeting. Mrs. Pipkin, President of Goldsboro Society, gave a verbal report and Miss Parrott, of Kinston, read a report of that Society. It was found by inquiry that many churches had no Woman's Society, and that others had failed to send reports. It was urged that each Woman's Society be represented by a delegate hereafter at the Associational meetings, or if that is not practicable a written report be sent.

Miss Draughn gave some details of the work which has been begun in the Kinston church through their Missionary Society, and urged all to more diligence in the Lord's work, more consecration and more prayer.

After singing another hymn, the meeting adjourned, all present having felt it "good to be there."

MRS. H. B. DUFFY, President. MRS. H. L. GRANT, Secretary.

CONSTITUTION of the ATLANTIC BAPTIST ASSOCIATION

1 .- This Association shall be known as the "ATLANTIC RAPTIST ASSOCIATION.

2.—It shall be composed of the pastors and of the delegates elected by the churches connected with it, each church being entitled to three delegates unles the membership shall exceed fifty, and then there shall be an additional delegate for every twenty five members,

3.-Its object shall be the promotion of the Redeemer's Kingdom, by securing the co operation of its churches for their edification and for

the spread of the Gospel according to our faith and order.

4.-The "New Hampshire Declaration of Faith" shall be the summary of Divine Truth for determining questions of faith or order in this body; and churches desiring to be received must signify their acquaintance of it, in substance, together with the covenant herewith submitted, and this Constitution.

5.-This Association shall not annul the discipline of a church, or exercise authority over it. But it may advise, and it may sever from its connection any church that neglects to preserve gospel order, or that treats with contempt the objects or advice of the Association.

6.—Each church shall send to the Association, at its annual session, a statement of (1) its locality; (2) the name of its pastor, clerk's postoffice, delegates and ministers other than the pastor; (2) Sunday or Sundays of regular service; (4) the church statistics; (5) Sunday School statistics; (6) contributions to pastor's salary, church expenses, Associational Missions, Home Missions, State Missions, Foreign Missions, Ministerial Education, Baptist Orphanage. Minute Fund and other

7.-Whenever a church shall not represent itself at an annual session of the Association, either by delegate or letter, or whenever a church shall not report somthing contributed for missions, inquiry shall be made for the cause; effort shall be made to revive the church and induce it to do its duty, and this effort sholl be continued till the church

be recovered or dropped from the Association.

8.—The officers of the Association shall be a Moderator, a Clerk, a Historian, and a Treasurer, elected annually by ballot from among its members, to serve until their successors shall have been elected, and to perform the duties usual to such officers, the Moderator in presiding, the Clerk in recording and preserving minutes and other papers belonging to the body, and the Treasurer in receiving and disbursing according to its will all funds belonging to or entrusted to the body, the Historian in keeping a record of the work and progress of the Association and report at each annual session.

9.—The Association shall appoint annually an Executive Board of seven, of whom the Treasurer shall be one, to whom shall be entrusted the prosecution of the Associational Missions, and any other work which this body may refer to them, and who shall, as far as practicable. co-operate with the State Mission Board in supplying the destitution in our teritory, and between the meetings of the Associations take such action as may seem to them advisable for the advancements of its objects.

The Board shall present to the Association at its annual meeting a report of all its proceedings with the Treasurer's report of all receipts and disbursements, and with the names of its missionaries, time of

service and details of their work.

10.—The annual session of the Association shall begin on Tuesday after the Second Lord's Day in October, at such place as may be chosen, and an Introductory Sermon shall be delivered on the first day of the session. Representatives from a majority of the churches shall con-

11.—This Constitution may be amended at any annual session by a two-thirds vote of the members present.

BY-LAWS.

1-The daily Sessions of the Association shall be opened and closed

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 his right

4-The Clerk shall record and read the proceedings when called for, superintend the publication and distribution of the minutes, pre serve a file of them, and have it present at each Annual Session, and deliver to his successor all papers belonging to the body.

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.

7—The roll of members shall be called at least once, and absentees

8-Corresponding messengers and visiting brethren shall be invited to seats, with privilege of speaking, but not of voting,

9-A copy of the minutes shall be sent to the Secretary of the State Mission Board, also one to the Secretary of the Southern baptist Convention, and one to the American Baptist Publication Society, 1420 Chestnut Street, Philadelphia.

10-All questions of order not herein provided shall be decided by

'Mell's Parliamentary Practice."

11-The report of the Executive Board, and the Missionary work of the Association, shall take precedence of all other business during the morning session of the second day of the annual session.

17-The General Order of Business shall be:

- 1-Reading Church Letters and Enrollment of Delegates.
- 2-Election of Officers.
- 3-Petitionary Letters.
- 4-Appointment of Committees for this Session.
- 5-Appointment of Standing Committees.
- 6-Report of Committees on Churches delinquent at the previous
- 7-Reports of Standing Committees.
- 8-Reports of other Committees.
- 9-Miscellaneous Business.

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