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Board of Associational Missions.

E. J. LOVELACE.....	Shelby, N. C.
T. D. LATTIMORE.....	Shelby, N. C.
J. A. ROBERTS.....	Durbro, N. C.
B. H. BRIDGES.....	Boiling Springs, N. C.
E. A. MORGAN.....	Cleaveland Mills, N. C.

Auxiliary Board of Associational Missions.

Antioch—E. Hardin.	Mt. Zion—E. R. Wellman.
Big Spring—J. B. Lattimore.	Mt. Paran—James Martin.
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Concord—A. L. Smart.	Pleasant Grove—P. Z. Carpenter.
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Fair View—J. W. Whisnant.	Shelby—R. McBrayer.
High Shoal—E. B. Thorn.	State Line—W. H. Carroll.
Long Creek—E. D. Jenkins.	Shady Grove—I. P. Hicks.
Leonard's Fork—J. J. Cornwell.	Walls—Luther Beam.
Mt. Vernon—D. B. Wesson.	Zion—A. G. Weathers.
Mt. Sinai—I. G. Weaver.	Zoar—C. G. Love.
Mt. Pleasant—T. M. Holland.	Zion Hill—L. M. Ledford.

Ordained Ministers.

Bridges, J. M., Shelby, N. C.	McSwain, L. H., Whitaker Sta., S. C.
Campbell, T. J., Island Ford, N. C.	Mullino, P. S., Erwinsville, N. C.
Dixon, T., Shelby, N. C.	Mallary, R. D., Shelby, N. C.
Elam, P. R., King's Mountain, N. C.	Nelson, W. A., Shelby, N. C.
Freeman, F. M., Forest City, N. C.	Poston, R., Shelby, N. C.
Hoyle, J. A., Cherryville, N. C.	Pannell, M., Shelby, N. C.
Hamrick, G. P., Whitaker Sta., S. C.	Rollins, G. W., Forest City, N. C.
Irvin, A. C., Shelby, N. C.	Ruppe, John, Nicholsonville, N. C.
Jones, J. J., Webb's Ford, N. C.	Stough, A. L., Shelby, N. C.
Leatherman, —, Hull's X Roads, N. C.	Styers, J. P., Shelby, N. C.
McSwain, A. A., Shelby, N. C.	Webb, G. M., Shelby, N. C.
Moss, N. H., Cherryville, N. C.	White, J. A., Shelby, N. C.

Licentiates.

Beam J. A., Cleaveland Mills, N. C.	Hollifield, Forest City, N. C.
Green, J. A., Forest City, N. C.	Limrick, R. L., Cleaveland Mills.
Goode, J. M., Forest City, N. C.	Phelmet, C., Beam's Mills, N. C.
Green, J. M., Burnt Factory, N. C.	Thorn, J. B., Burnt Factory, N. C.
Hawkins, R. N., Boiling Springs.	Wright, Perry, Beam's Mills, N. C.

PROCEEDINGS.

BETHEL BAPTIST CHURCH, RUTHERFORD COUNTY,
THURSDAY, September 21st, 1882.

The King's Mountain Baptist Association met in its thirty-first annual session with Bethel Baptist church.

The introductory sermon was preached by A. L. Stough, from the 137th Psalm, 5th and 6th verses.

Recess for three-quarters of an hour.

After the expiration of recess the Moderator called the body to order. A. A. McSwain and R. E. Porter were appointed Reading Clerks.

The roll of the churches comprising the Association was called and the following representation present :

Sandy Run—B. B. Harris, W. B. Stroud, J. H. Jones, W. B. Lovelace, J. H. Beam and M. D. Padgett.

Zion—D. Poston, E. Whisnant, J. D. Weathers and A. G. Weathers.

Zoar—D. C. Dodd and A. J. Putman.

Double Springs—E. J. Lovelace, S. E. Bostic, D. A. F. Hamrick, B. Hamrick and William Covington.

New Bethel—David Cline, R. L. Limrick, T. J. Dixon and E. A. Morgan.

Pleasant Hill—J. A. Roberts, D. T. Dover, D. Allen, W. A. J. Hamrick and M. L. Putnam.

Mt. Vernon—W. J. Wesson.

Big Spring—O. D. Price, W. P. Withrow and J. B. Lattimore.

Bethlehem—T. W. Harmon, L. M. Logan, W. A. Herndon and S. M. Beam.

Concord—G. T. Bostic, A. P. Hollifield, W. H. Martin and A. L. Smart.

Bethel—G. B. Pruitt, D. Beam and A. S. Harrill.

Mt. Sinai—W. R. Hamrick and C. B. Blanton.

Mt. Pleasant—D. Matheny, T. D. Scruggs, T. M. Holland, John Beason and D. A. Scruggs.

Beaver Dam—J. L. Wray, C. Green, S. H. Hamrick and W. N. Hamrick.

Sandy Plains—S. J. Bridges, G. Whitesides, W. B. Bridges, L. S. Jenkins and J. B. Philbeck.

Watts—James Robbins, B. J. Melton, Jesse Rogers and C. B. Walker.

Boiling Springs—R. N. Hawkins, James Y. Hamrick, B. H. Bridges and D. S. Lovelace.

High Shoals—J. M. Goode, Jr., J. B. Thorn, J. B. Green, S. A. Bland, William Walker and N. Dobbins.

Shelby—T. D. Lattimore, M. W. Doggett, A. R. Eskridge, R. M. Brayer and L. H. Harrill.

Capernaum—W. G. Lindsay, William Carpenter and G. W. Kendrick.

New Prospect—C. Phelmet, J. L. Ledford, J. C. Hoyle, M. Gallepie and Jesse Hord.

Mt. Zion—E. R. Wellman, J. R. Moss and W. P. Carpenter.

Mt. Paran—James Martin, J. B. Blalock and G. H. Martin.

Mt. Harmony—J. L. Padgett, J. S. Melton and C. Yelton.

Antioch—E. Hardin, J. R. Dixon, B. J. Gold and F. H. Dover.

New Hope—A. J. Borders, A. E. Bettis, T. H. Lowry, R. E. Harrill and E. P. Roberts.

Buffalo—R. E. Porter, A. S. Hopper, John Hopper, W. D. Gaston and J. G. Webber.

Pleasant Grove—P. Z. Carpenter, Q. M. Ledford and R. W. Gardner.

Gastonia—Not represented.

Dallas—L. P. Stowe and Charles S. Stowe.

Long Creek—Thomas Smith and A. Baldwin.

State Line—W. H. Carroll, F. H. Bridges, C. Wilson and E. B. McSwain.

On motion, an invitation was extended to churches to become members of this body.

The following presented letters and delegates :

Fair View—J. L. Yelton and J. W. Whisnaut.

Shady Grove—I. P. Hicks and M. L. Hulet.

Leonard's Fork—J. J. Cornwell and W. H. Hoover.

Ross's Grove—R. Y. Weathers and H. D. Adman.

Zion Hill—J. T. Tallent and L. M. Ledford.

The following committee was appointed to examine the Faith of said churches, and report during the session, to-wit : A. L. Stough, G. W. Rollins and R. Poston.

Ordained Ministers Present—Rev. A. A. McSwain, R. Poston, A. C. Irvin, J. M. Bridges, P. R. Elam, G. W. Rollins, F. M. Freeman, T. J. Campbell, John Ruppe, G. P. Hamrick, G. M. Webb, A. L. Stough, W. A. Nelson, J. A. White, R. D. Mallary, T. Dixon, N. H. Moss, J. P. Styers, L. H. McSwain and J. A. Hoyle.

On motion, the Association went into the election of officers.

A. A. McSwain, R. E. Porter and W. B. Lovelace were appointed tellers. After taking the vote they retired to count the same and Association engaged in religious exercises.

The tellers reported that James Y. Hamrick had received the largest vote for Moderator, and L. M. Logan for Clerk.

On motion, they were elected unanimously by acclamation.

On motion the order of business of last year was adopted.

An invitation was extended to correspondents from other Associations. Rev. F. H. Poston was received from the Green River Association.

Rev. A. G. McManaway was received as a visiting brother, representing the Board of Education of Wake Forest College.

The Moderator made the following appointments of committees :

Religious Exercises—Pastor and Deacons of Bethel church and E. J. Lovelace, N. H. Moss and J. A. Beam.

Temperance—W. A. Nelson, J. H. Jones and R. N. Hawkins.

Religious Literature—G. M. Webb, A. R. Eskridge and J. M. Bridges.

Education—A. G. McManaway, R. McBrayer and B. H. Bridges.

On motion, adjourned to meet to-morrow at 9 o'clock a. m. Prayer by A. C. Irvin. Benediction by W. A. Nelson.

SECOND DAY—MORNING SESSION.

FRIDAY, September 22d, 1882.

The Association re-assembled after a night pleasantly spent with the brethren of Bethel church and neighborhood.

After religious exercises, conducted by Rev. G. M. Webb, the Moderator called the body to order and declared the Association ready for business.

The minutes of yesterday were read and approved.

The Moderator announced the remainder of the committees, as follows:

Sunday Schools—A. C. Irwin, J. A. Roberts and J. L. Wray.

Obituaries—A. A. McSwain, D. A. F. Hamrick and E. A. Bettis.

Finance—R. E. Porter, B. B. Harris and J. L. Ledford.

Union Meetings—R. Poston, J. M. Goode and E. A. Morgan.

Foreign Missions—T. Dixon, G. P. Hamrick and E. Hardin.

Home and Indian Missions—J. A. White, P. R. Elam and S. M. Beam.

On motion, the order of business was suspended and brother N. B. Broughton, representing the BIBLICAL RECORDER, was welcomed to a seat.

Messengers to corresponding bodies were appointed, as follows:

Green River—A. A. McSwain, R. Poston, T. Dixon, J. B. Green, M. D. Padgett, G. W. Rollins, J. M. Bridges and D. Beam.

Broad River—G. P. Hamrick, P. R. Elam, G. M. Webb, T. J. Campbell and T. Dixon.

York—A. L. Stough.

Catawba—A. L. Stough and J. A. White.

South Fork—J. P. Styers, W. A. Nelson, G. M. Webb, A. L. Stough, P. R. Elam, J. A. White and J. A. Hoyle.

The following were appointed as messengers to the Baptist State Convention: W. A. Nelson, G. P. Hamrick, James Y. Hamrick, T. J. Campbell, A. A. McSwain and J. M. Bridges.

The Committee on Temperance reported as follows:

To mark the progress of the Temperance cause in our churches is quite gratifying. Perhaps there is no evil that meets with a prompter or stronger rebuke at the hands of our churches, or is more emphatically condemned by our people generally than the manufacture or intemperate use of strong drink. Let our churches continue to keep a strict and unyielding discipline over their members in this regard, and soon no quarter will be asked or given in this direction. Spirits of alcohol and the spirit of Christ are not looked for in the same vessel. Put down rum and up with the standard of piety, then will Christianity prosper. "Abstain from all appearance of evil" and Christ will dwell richly in our midst and His cause be honored.

W. A. NELSON,
J. H. JONES,
R. W. HAWKINS.

On motion, the adoption of the report was deferred until after the adoption of the report on Education.

The Committee on Education reported as follows:

For a number of years this Association has been anxious to establish a good Female College within its bounds, but so many difficulties were in the way that it has not been practicable to do so until the present time. Years ago it was decided to locate said College at Shelby, but very little more had been done. To-day the Association has the pleasure of congratulating the Shelby church on its success in stepping forward to the accomplishment of what has been so long and so earnestly desired. A first-class Baptist Female College is already in successful operation at Shelby; under the management of Elder R. D. Mallary, late President of Shorter College, at Rome, Ga. Brother Mallary has called to his assistance a corps of superior teachers, who compose a Faculty equal to the very best in the land. The school opened on the 20th instant with the most gratifying prospects in view. We earnestly recommend those

having daughters to educate to place them in this school, with the full assurance that they will be properly trained for all the duties of life.

It is also gratifying to know that there is a High School for boys at Shelby, presided over by a prince of educators, Prof. P. J. King, a worthy brother who has had many years experience in the education of boys and young men.

Our ever beloved Wake Forest College, whose prospects were never so bright as now, claims our prayers, sympathy and patronage. It is gratifying to know that from the bounds of this Association there are a half dozen young brethren preparing to preach the Go-spel; but it is a source of regret that our churches are doing so little for their support. Brethren, let us pray and give more to aid these brethren in their God-given work.

The Southern Baptist Theological Seminary ever demands a warm place in our hearts. Its work is noble, its object is glorious.

A. G. McMANAWAY,
R. MCBRAYER,
B. H. BRIDGES

On motion, the adoption of the report was made the special order for to-morrow at 10 o'clock, except that portion pertaining to ministerial education, which was discussed by Rev. A. G. McManaway

Dr. W. A. Nelson said that the way to do anything is to do it, and a collection was taken up amounting to \$16.15 cash and the following amounts from individuals and churches: Sandy Run—W. B. Stroud, \$10; Bethlehem—L. M. Logan, \$15; Concord—G. W. Rollins, \$10; New Hope—A. J. Bordes, \$10 (\$1 paid); Sandy Plains—W. B. Bridges, best they can; Mt. Paran—James Martin, \$10; Zion—A. C. Irvin \$10; Double Springs—S. E. Bostie, \$15; Pleasant Hill—J. A. Roberts, \$10; Mt. Sinai—C. B. Blanton, \$5; New Bethel—K. L. Limrick, \$10; Mt. Harmony—J. L. Padgett, best they can; Capernaum—W. G. Lindsay, best they can; Long Creek—A. J. Baldwin, \$5; Mt. Vernon—W. J. Wesson, \$2; Zoar—D. C. Dodd, best they can; Bethel—G. B. Pruitt, best they can; High Shoals—J. M. Goode, \$5; Boiling Springs—B. H. Bridges, \$15; New Prospect—J. C. Hoyle, \$5; Buffalo—R. E. Porter, \$10; Leonard's Fork—W. H. Hoover, \$3; State Line—F. H. Bridges, \$10; Dallas—W. P. Stowe, \$5; Big Spring—W. P. Withrow, \$5; Antioch—E. Hardin, \$15; Walls—Jesse Rogers, best they can; Mt. Pleasant—T. D. Scruggs, \$5; Shelby—A. R. Eskridge, \$30; Mt. Zion—J. R. Moss, best they can; Pleasant Grove—R. W. Gardner, \$5; Beaver Dam—S. H. Hamrick, \$10; A. A. McSwain, \$1 (paid); Jas. Y. Hamrick, \$5; J. B. Thorn, \$1 (paid); T. J. Campbell, \$3, W. A. J. Hamrick, \$3.

The Committee on Religious Exercises reported as follows:

That Rev. A. G. McManaway would preach at 11 a. m. to-day, and that J. A. Hoyle would preach at 1 p. m., followed by G. P. Hamrick.
T. DIXON, *Chairman.*

On motion, the order of business was suspended and an invitation was extended to correspondents and visiting brethren.

On motion, adjourned to hear preaching, to meet again at one and a half o'clock p. m.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

The Association was called to order by the Moderator.

The following correspondents were welcomed to seats: Green River—Rev. C. B. Justice and H. D. Harrill; Broad River—J. H. Claray and J. T. Wood.

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The adoption of the report on Temperance was taken up as the special order for this hour. Remarks by N. B. Broughton and the report was adopted.

The committee to whom was referred the reception of the newly constituted churches, viz: Shady Grove, Leonard's Fork, Ross's Grove, Fair View and Zion Hill, beg leave to report that we find no irregularity, but that they are in every respect worthy to be received as constituent members of this body, therefore recommend their reception.

Respectfully submitted,

A. L. STOUGH,
G. W. ROLLINS,
R. POSTON.

On motion, the report of the committee was adopted and the Moderator extended the hand of Welcome to the delegates.

The Committee on State Missions reported as follows :

There is a larger number of missionaries under the general supervision of the State Mission Board than at any time during our past history—38 in all—more than half of whom are paid entirely by the Board, the others by the different Associations.

At the last session of the Baptist State Convention a number of pledges were made by individuals and churches and Associations. Among them was one from this Association of \$100. Of this amount only \$5.95 has been, leaving \$94.05 yet unpaid. We are informed by Bro. John E. Ray, the Secretary of the Board, that the third quarter's salaries of the missionaries is now due, and the Board is without funds. The work of the State Mission Board in supplying neglected fields, and aiding points, deserves our earnest prayers and liberal contributions. Let us fully meet the pledge made at the Convention.

Our missionary, Bro. A. L. Stough, has been aided by the State Mission Board, and it is a matter for rejoicing to us all that his labors have been so blessed of God—an account of which is given us in his report herewith.

A. L. STOUGH,
J. P. STYERS,
T. D. SCRUGGS.

Our missionary, A. L. Stough, made his report in connection with the report on State Missions as follows :

DEAR BRETHREN :—The time has arrived when it becomes my duty to submit to you my report as your missionary. I have travelled 1,880 miles, preached 207 sermons, attended 30 prayer meetings, aided in the constitution of 2 churches, ordination of 8 deacons and 1 minister, visited 461 families religiously, received by letter and experience 88, supplied 5 churches and occasionally preached at 5 out-stations, attended 8 protracted meetings and organized three Sabbath Schools. It was expected that before now the church edifice at Lincolnton would have been ready to be occupied. In this we are disappointed, owing chiefly to the failure of the crops last season. Consequently the scarcity of money, and besides I could not spare the time from my work to collect funds already subscribed. The wall is ready for the roof. We have a central location. The building, when finished, will be such, we think, as the existing and prospective wants of our denomination require in Lincolnton. I am pledged to give the next two months, by way of travelling, in the interest of this church. The brethren at Dallas have, during this year completed one of the handsomest churches in the county. This house reflects credit upon the few members for their generous contributions. I attended a meeting of several weeks' continuance at this place; it is believed nearly 40 persons made a profession of religion—among this num-

ber were several infidels. This church is now self-sustaining and has procured a pastor. The church at Gastonia is making an effort to build a house. We have here a beautiful location, a lot centrally located, the generous gift of Rev. S. Head and his good lady. Unfortunately there still seems to be a want of united action. Several prominent Baptists have moved to this place.

The Baptist church of Shady Grove was constituted on the 25th of November last. The baptismal waters have been troubled here several times this year. This church displayed a commendable zeal in building a house of worship during the very inclement weather of last winter. This church is now self-sustaining and her pastor, Bro. J. A. Hoyle, is doing a good work here; he seems to be "the right man in the right place." He is a zealous worker in the Lord's vineyard.

The Leonard's Fork church was constituted April 25th, 1882. This church is making a strenuous effort to build a house of worship. The Lord has done a wonderful work here, but the limits of this report do not admit us to enter into details. I have preached occasionally at other points where I believe large and efficient churches could be organized if we could occupy the field as we ought. I have been everywhere kindly received and encouraged. Our cause is undoubtedly advancing. Much of the former prejudice has been removed. Many who were uninformed and opposed to us, are now sincere friends. But our work is not yet finished. Much, very much remains to be done. The great destitution which exists within our bounds calls upon us in the most imperative manner to increase our exertions to give to the destitute the preached word.

The calls that have been made upon me are more than two missionaries could answer. We need for this field men of deep piety and sound practical sense. And now, brethren, having to the best of my ability performed the duty assigned me by your body, I most respectfully tender to you my resignation as missionary. In severing the ties that have existed between us, let me assure you that it is done with the kindest of feelings, and best wishes for your success. And my sincere thanks are tendered to all the friends of this enterprise for their encouragement and kindness shown me. May the great Head of the church preside over all your deliberations, and crown your measures with abundant success is the sincere wish of your humble servant.

A. L. STOUGH.

Remarks on State Missions by W. A. Nelson and N. B. Broughton, after which a collection was taken up for State Missions amounting to \$25 cash.

The report was adopted.

The committee on Religious Literature reported as follows :

Your Committee on Religious Literature would again commend the *Biblical Recorder* to the patronage of the churches of this Association. It is indispensable. It is the organ of our denomination, the advocate of sound doctrine, and the expounder of our Baptist church polity. It has no superior in the land. It is earnestly recommended that an effort be made during the next year to introduce it into every household within our limits.

Kind Words is better adapted to meet the wants and supply the demands of our children for newspaper reading than any similar with which we are acquainted. We recommend it to the Sunday Schools. We also recommend the *Foreign Mission Journal*, the organ of the Board of the Southern Baptist Convention, published at Richmond, Va.

G. M. WEBB, *Chairman*.

April 4.	To amount received from	Shady Grove church.....	3 50
April 4.	" " " "	Lincolnton church.....	4 00
April 24.	" " " "	Hoover's Stand church.....	2 80
May 1.	" " " "	S. S. Inst. Boiling Springs...	10 30
May 19.	" " " "	Dallas church.....	15 00
May 24.	" " " "	Long Creek church.....	6 00
June 6.	" " " "	Pleasant Hill church.....	12 00
June 14.	" " " "	Lincolnton church.....	10 00
June 19.	" " " "	Shady Grove church.....	4 00
July 14.	" " " "	Beaver Dam church.....	2 00
July 17.	" " " "	Mt. Paran church.....	7 40
July 21.	" " " "	Dallas church.....	25 00
July 31.	" " " "	S. S. Institute, Zion.....	5 66
Aug. 7.	" " " "	Leonard's Fork church.....	14 30
"	" " " "	Shelby church.....	21 40
Sept. 18.	" " " "	Pleasant Hill church.....	1 50

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Dec. 31. By paid Rev. A. L. Stough.....\$160 00 \$402 47

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Feb. 25.	" " " "	10 00
April 4.	" " " "	68 50
April 10.	" " " "	10 00
April 24.	" " " "	2 80
May 2.	" " " "	25 00
May 19.	" " " "	45 00
June 14.	" " " "	15 00
July 21.	" " " "	30 00
Aug. 7.	" " " "	24 30
Sept. 6.	" " " "	10 00
June 19.	" " " "	4 00
Sept. 20.	" " " "	5 00

\$409 60

By balance due Treasurer.....\$ 7 13

EDUCATION.

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Sept. 24.	To amount collected at Association.....	\$ 39 50
"	" " received from Shelby church.....	15 25
Nov. 29.	" " " " D. Beam, pledged at Association.....	10 00
Dec. 22.	To amount received from T. D. Lattimore, pledged at Association.....	5 00
Dec. 25.	To amount received from W. A. J. Hamrick, pledged at Association.....	3 00

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Jan. 10.	To amount received from Big Spring church pledged at Association.....	5 00
Jan. 16.	To amount received at Zoar church pledged at Association.....	5 10
Jan. 16.	To amount received from Antioch church pledged at Association.....	8 00
Jan. 28.	To amount received from J. M. Logan, pledged at Association.....	5 00
Mar. 27.	To amount received from New Bethel church.....	6 80

\$102 65

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Sept. 29.	By paid C. E. Taylor.....	\$54 75
Dec. 22.	“ “ “ “	15 00
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Jan. 19.	“ “ “ “	21 10
Feb. 11.	“ “ “ “	5 00
April 1.	“ “ B. F. Montague.....	6 80
		\$162 65

SUNDAY SCHOOL.

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May 4.	To amount received of S. S. Convention Pleasant Grove...	\$5 60
May 5.	By paid B. F. Montague.....	5 60
	Respectfully submitted, Sept. 21st, 1882.	T. D. LATTIMORE, <i>Treasurer</i> , King's Mountain Association.

The report was adopted.
On motion, T. D. Lattimore was re-elected Treasurer for the ensuing year.
On motion, adjourned to meet to morrow at 9 a. m. Prayer by G. W. Rollins. Benediction by G. P. Hamrick.

THIRD DAY—MORNING SESSION.

SATURDAY, September 23d, 1882.

Religious exercises conducted by A. C. Irvin.
The Moderator called the Association to order at the appointed time.
Read minutes of yesterday and corrected the same.
The Committee on Sabbath Schools reported as follows :

The Sunday School is the place for the little children and for the grown up children, also for the older ones in church and neighborhood. What a glorious work for all to engage in. “ And to every man his work ” Mark 13:34 What a field—room for all—work for all. We feel thankful to our Heavenly Father for the gratifying reports, as sent up from the churches, of the progress of this great work. Brethren, friends, onward, heaven's blessings will attend.

Respectfully submitted,
A. C. IRVIN,
J. A. ROBERTS,
J. L. WRAY.

The report was adopted.
The Committee on Union Meetings reported as follows :

The Committee on Union Meetings recommend that the next Union Meeting be held with Big Spring church, commencing on Friday before the fifth Sunday in May, 1883.
R. POSTON, *Chairman*.

The report was adopted.
The following were appointed to attend said meeting : T. Dixon, R. Poston, A. A. McSwain, A. C. Irvin and J. M. Bridges.
The Committee on Finance reported as follows :

There has been sent up from the different churches as follows :	
For Minutes.....	\$ 56 40
“ Associational Missions..	110 28
“ State Missions.....	29 80
“ Home and Indian Miss..	2 05
	\$266 08
	R. E. PORTER, <i>Chairman</i> .

The report was adopted.

The Committee on Religious Exercises reported as follows :

That H. D. Harrill preach at 10 o'clock a. m. to-day, Dr. W. A. Nelson at 11 o'clock, P. R. Elam at 1 o'clock p. m., A. C. Irvin to close.

SUNDAY.—Sabbath School address at 10 a. m. by Bro. N. B. Broughton, R. D. Mallary to preach the Missionary sermon at 11 o'clock a. m., C. B. Justice to preach at 1 o'clock p. m., followed by J. P. Styers.

The report was adopted.

T. DIXON, *Chairman*.

The hour having arrived for the discussion of the report on Education the same was taken up and discussed by R. D. Mallary, W. A. Nelson, P. J. King, G. M. Webb, T. D. Lattimore, B. H. Bridges and N. B. Broughton.

The report was adopted.

The committee on Foreign Missions reported as follows :

The command of the Master, "Go ye into all the world and preach the gospel to every creature," places upon every Christian believer a duty which he can in no way afford to neglect. The time has passed, if it ever existed, when we need to enquire, "Do Foreign Missions pay?" The success attending the labors of our missionaries has clearly demonstrated the fact that the Lord blesses this work as perhaps he does no other; for statistics show more conversions under the preaching of the Foreign missionaries than can be shown by the same number of preachers in any part of the Christian world. Missionaries of our Southern Baptist Convention are laboring in China, Italy, Africa, France, South America, India and Mexico. These are dependent almost entirely upon the contributions of the churches of the South for support.

North Carolina Baptists should thank God upon every remembrance of such a representative in the Foreign Field as our beloved brother, Dr. Yates. While we are planning and laboring to reach the comparatively little destitution here, in which live only a few thousands, he is struggling with only a handful to reach millions. Recently God has called another brother of our State, D. W. Herring, of Pender county, who graduated at Wake Forest last year, and who is now at the Theological Seminary at Louisville, preparing for his life-work. When through at the Seminary it is his purpose to join Dr. Yates in China. As Missionary Baptists we should show our faith by our works, and make liberal gifts to the Foreign Mission cause.

Respectfully submitted,

T. DIXON, *Chairman*.

On motion, the Association adjourned until 1 o'clock p. m. to hear Dr. W. A. Nelson preach.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

Remarks were made upon the adoption of the report on Foreign Missions by N. B. Broughton and W. A. Nelson.

The report was adopted.

The Committee on Home and Indian Missions reported as follows :

At no time in the past has God given us such a grand and glorious privilege of becoming co-workers in the salvation of the world as at the present. Our different Boards are more active and zealous and much more efficient. There has been a great work accomplished by our efficient missionary, Elder A. L. Stough, in the bounds of this Association, but the work is just begun. We earnestly commend this work to your

prayerful consideration. Brethren, this work should not stop. New Orleans, the great emporium of the South, must be taken for Christ. That vast city, with its 240,000 inhabitants, is priest ridden, except a small struggling, faithful few. They and their untiring missionaries are calling upon us to become co-partners with them in the salvation of that great city. Brethren, will you heed their cry? We must not forget our mission in California, among Chinese emigrants, nor our red brother in the far West. They have souls, they must be saved and that by our help, or they will be lost. Brethren, what a fearful responsibility rests on us individually, and yet what a glorious privilege—a privilege that angels are not granted to be counted worthy of being co-laborers with our blessed Master in the salvation of the world. Let us, therefore, heartily aid the various objects of the Home and Indian Mission Board in their labors of love. Brethren, let us give of our means.

Respectfully submitted,

J. A. WHITE,
P. R. ELAM,
S. M. BEAM.

Remarks by J. A. White, A. L. Stough, W. H. Hoover, G. M. Webb, T. D. Lattimore and T. J. Campbell.

The report was adopted.

The Committee on Obituaries reported as follows :

We regret to learn that forty-two of our number have passed into eternity, to return no more, since our last Association, and among that number is George Hamrick, of the Bethel church; a faithful, earnest, working deacon from its constitution to his death, which occurred last May. He was exceedingly liberal in helping to build their present house of worship. And he greatly desired to see the King's Mountain Association convene in it, but, alas! he passed away before he saw it. We also sympathize with Antioch church in the death of Abraham Hardin, Esq., aged 92 years. He was a deacon of long standing, serving his generation with great faithfulness and passed away in strong faith to peace and happiness. We sympathize with any church in the loss of any member, but especially do we sympathize with Bethel and Antioch churches in the loss of their deacons. But while we thus sorrow, we recognize the great goodness of the Allwise Creator in preserving the lives of so many of us, and especially in preserving the lives of all our ministering brethren during the past year.

A. A. McSWAIN, *Chairman.*

A. A. McSwain offered the following resolution of respect to the memory of R. P. Logan :

Elder R. P. Logan was for many years a member of this Association, and Moderator for two of the sessions of the body. He died at his residence, in Iredell county, N. C., on the 1st of July, 1882. For many years he was a faithful minister as pastor of churches in our bounds. Although his mind failed him for a year or two before his death we trust the Lord was pleased to take him to his rest in heaven.

Resolved, That we sympathize with the bereaved family though they live many miles away.

On motion, the old Board of Associational Missions was re-elected.

A collection was taken up for Associational Missions amounting to \$25.40.

On motion, one from each of the churches was appointed as an Auxiliary Board of Missions to collect funds.

On motion, the collection on to-morrow was ordered to be applied to Associational Missions.

On motion the following resolution of thanks was offered :

Resolved, That the thanks of this body are due and are hereby tendered to this church and congregation and sister churches, as well as a generous public for the kindly welcome extended to the delegates and visitors.

On motion, the Clerk was instructed to superintend the printing and distribution of the minutes and to receive out of the minute fund ten dollars for services.

On motion, the Clerk was instructed to have the amended constitution printed with the minutes.

On motion, the Association adjourned to meet at Pleasant Grove church on Thursday before the 4th Sunday in September, 1883.

L. M. LOGAN, *Clerk*.

J. Y. HAMRICK, MODERATOR.

SABBATH—MORNING.

Bro. N. B. Broughton made a talk on Sabbath School work at 10 a. m. Rev. R. D. Mallary preached the Missionary Sermon, after which a collection was taken up for Associational Missions amounting to \$25.75.

AFTERNOON.

Rev. J. H. Yarboro preached at 1 o'clock followed by J. P. Styers. The congregations were large and attentive. Thus closed a very interesting and profitable session.

L. M. LOGAN, *Clerk*.

ABSTRACT OF PRINCIPLES.

1. We believe in one only true and living God, the Father, Son and Holy Ghost, three in one.
2. We believe that the Scriptures of the Old and New Testaments are the Word of God, and the only true rule of faith and practice.
3. We believe in the doctrine of original sin.
4. We believe in man's impotency to recover himself from the fallen state he is in by nature, by his own free will and holiness.
5. We believe in the doctrine of *Election*, through sanctification of the Spirit and belief of the truth.
6. We believe that sinners are justified in the sight of God, only by the merits of Jesus Christ.
7. We believe the Saints shall persevere in grace, and not finally fall away.
8. We believe that Baptism and the Lord's Supper are ordinances of Jesus Christ, and that true believers who have been immersed upon a profession of faith, are the only proper subjects for the Lord's table.
9. We believe in the resurrection of the dead and general judgment.
10. We believe that the joys of the righteous, and the punishment of the wicked will be eternal.
11. We believe that no minister has a right to the administration of the ordinances, only such as has been called of God, as was Aaron, and regularly baptized and approved of by the Church, and come under the imposition of hands by the Presbytery.

CONSTITUTION.

We, the united Baptist churches of Jesus Christ, located partly in the States of North Carolina and South Carolina, having all been immersed upon a profession of our faith in Christ, propose to maintain the order and rules of an Association, according to the following plan :

ARTICLE 1st. This Association shall be known by the name of the King's Mountain Association.

2d. This Association shall be composed of such members as shall be chosen and recommended by the churches in union.

3d. Other churches may become members of this Association by their delegates presenting certificates of their appointment, provided, on examination, they be found orthodox.

4th. The Association shall organize by electing a Moderator and Clerk, who shall hold their appointments until another election unless displaced by the body.

5th. This Association, as an act of Christian courtesy, may invite ministers of our denomination to seats with us in council.

6th. This Association when convened shall be governed by a regular and proper decorum, which they are authorized to form themselves.

7th. This Association has an inalienable right to judge what churches shall be admitted into its confederacy.

8th. The Association thus formed shall be regarded by us only in the light of an advisory council, with no coercive power "to lord it over God's heritage."

9th. This Association shall have power to withdraw from any church in its connection that shall hold corrupt doctrines or indulge in sinful or vicious practices.

10th. This Association shall be composed of delegates chosen by the churches composing the same—each church being entitled to a representation of two delegates for the first fifty or fractional part thereof, and one delegate for every additional fifty. Ordained ministers who are members of the churches connected with this body shall be considered *ex-officio* members of the same.

11th. The primary object of this Association shall be to "strive for the unity of the Spirit in the bonds of peace" amongst the churches; the employment of domestic missionaries, and to keep up the statistical accounts of the churches in its connection. And finally to concentrate our efforts for the advancement of the Redeemer's kingdom on earth, and for the deposition of the works of darkness.

12th. None but the members of this body shall be allowed to vote in its councils, and a majority shall decide in disposing of and settling all business that may constitutionally come before them.

13th. This Association in all cases disclaims the right in its associate capacity, to settle church difficulties; but when a division occurs, and two parties equally claim to the church, and represent themselves by letter and delegates, this Association shall have the right to decide at the first, or some future meeting of its body thereafter, which party shall be recognized as the constitutional church, and entitled to a seat in its council.

14th. The minutes of the Association shall be read each day and corrected, if need be, by the body; and when the business shall be gone through with, signed by the Moderator and Clerk before the Association rises.

15th. Any article of this Constitution may be altered or amended at any annual meeting, by a majority of two-thirds of the delegates present voting for the same.

RULES OF DECORUM

1. The Association shall be opened and closed by prayer.
2. The Moderator shall be deemed a judge of order, and shall have a right to call to order at any time; also it shall be his duty to see that the Rules of Decorum are attended to; to take the opinion of the Association on all questions properly brought before the body.
3. Any member not satisfied with his decision on any point of order, may appeal to the Association on the same day the decision is made, but at no other time.
4. It shall be the duty of the Clerk to keep a regular record of the transactions of the Association.
5. But one person shall speak at a time, and he shall rise to his feet and obtain leave of the Moderator, and when he has done speaking he shall sit down, and shall not speak more than twice on the same question, nor more than twenty minutes at one time, unless he obtain leave of the Association.
6. The Moderator, when addressed for leave of speech, shall signify the same by naming of them or otherwise.
7. No member shall be interrupted while speaking, unless he depart from the subject on hand, or use words of personal reflection; or with a view of calling to order for some particular purpose. Any motion made and seconded, shall come under the consideration of the Association, except withdrawn by him who made it.
8. Every case taken up by the Association, shall be first decided upon before another is offered.
9. When anything is taken up by the Association, after allowing time for the debate, the Moderator shall put the question; and those in favor of the thing proposed shall rise to their feet, and those opposed to it keep their seats; the Moderator shall procure the decision before the standers take their seats.
10. No person shall depart the service of the Association without leave.
11. The appellation of brother shall be used in our address to each other.
12. The names of the members shall be called as often as necessary.
13. No member shall be indulged in any practice that has a tendency to interrupt in the time of a public speech, or any other practice that would dishonor the Association.
14. The Moderator shall be entitled to the same privilege of speech as any other member, provided he appoints some other member to his seat while he is speaking, but shall not vote unless the Association be equally divided; then he shall give the casting vote.
15. Any person breaking these Rules of Decorum, shall be reprov'd at the discretion of the Association, but only on the day the breach is made.

FORM OF ASSOCIATIONAL LETTER.

THE.....BAPTIST CHURCH,
.....COUNTY.

To the King's Mountain Association:

DEAR BROTHERS:—We send as delegates, brethren

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Changes during the past year as follows :
Baptized } Dismissed by letter.....
Received by letter..... } Excluded
Restored } Died.....
Net increase.....(or decrease).....
Present number.....
Our pastor is.....
Our time of stated meeting.....

We have raised by contribution during the year :
For Pastor's Salary and other current expenses,.....\$
For Associational Missions,.....
For State Missions,
For Domestic and Indian Missions,.....
For Foreign Missions,.....
For the Sunday School Board,.....
For Education,.....
For other purposes, not specified.....
For printing Minutes,.....
Total contribution during the year,.....
Ordained Elders.....
Licentiates

OUR SUNDAY SCHOOL REPORT.

Superintendent.....
Number of officers..... Teachers.....
Number of Scholars.....
Average attendance.....
Number of papers taken by the School
Contributions by the School,.....\$
Number of conversions in the School during the year.....
Our School is kept open..... months in the year.
* Remarks.....
By order of the church in Conference. [Date].....
.....MODERATOR.
.....CLERK.

[* Mention any matter of special interest, such as commencing or completing a new house of worship; death of pastor, or other eminent church officer; season of revival, etc.]

ORDER OF BUSINESS.

1. Introductory Sermon.
2. Call to order by the Moderator if present, if he is not present, by the Clerk.
3. Reading letters from churches and enrolling names of Delegates.
4. Call for churches to become members of the Association.
5. Election of Officers, viz: Moderator Clerk and Treasurer.
6. Call for letters and Messengers from other Associations.
7. Invite visiting brethren to seats.
8. Appointment of Committees as follows: (1) Religious Exercises; (2) Temperance; (3) Religious Literature; (4) Sunday Schools; (5) Education; (6) State Missions; (7) Home and Indian Missions; (8) Foreign Missions; (9) Union Meetings; (10) Finance; (11) Obituaries.
9. Appoint Messengers to corresponding Associations and to the Baptist State Convention.
10. Call for reports from Committees in the order in which they were appointed.
11. Appoint time and place of next meeting and preacher of the Introductory Sermon.
12. Treasurer's Report.
13. Business matters or questions laid over from previous meeting.
- New Business. Motions, Resolutions, &c.
14. Adjournment.

SUNDAY SCHOOL STATISTICS.

CHURCHES.	SUPERINTENDENTS AND THEIR POST OFFICES.									
	Number of Officers.	Number of Teachers.	Number of Scholars.	Average Attendance.	Number of Papers.	Contrib- utions.	Number of Convers. in.	Months Open.		
Antioch.....	5	6	50	95	50	\$17 00	12	12		
Big Spring.....	2	3	70	50	20	5 00	4	12		
Bethlehem.....	5	6	75	50	50			6		
Bethel.....	No report.									
Beaver Dam.....	3	10	55	85	18			11		
Boiling Springs.....	8	8	95	52		2 50		10		
Buhalo.....	5	20	118	75				8		
Concord.....	1	12	100	50	16			13		
Capernaum.....	3	3	35	35	24			9		
Double Springs.....	3	7	64	40	22	11 82	7	9		
Dallas.....	3	4	41	35		3 63				
Fair View.....	No report.									
Gastonia.....	No representation or letter.									
High Shoal.....	J. M. Goode, Forest City, N. C.									
Long Creek.....	J. A. Eaton, Dallas, N. C.	2	4	23						
Leonard's Fork.....	No report.									
Mt. Vernon.....	O. C. Thompson, Hall's X Roads, N. C.	3	5	48	30	2 15		4		
Mt. Sinal.....	C. B. Blanton, Erwinsville, N. C.	2	4	55	25			6		
Mt. Pleasant.....	T. M. Holland, Nicholsonville, N. C.	7	7	57	40	2		12		
Mt. Zion.....	F. R. Moss, Cherryville, N. C.	3	6	40	25			3		
Mt. Paran.....	James Martin, Whitaker Station, S. C.	4	6	120	70			8		
Mt. Harmony.....	J. W. Murray, Logan's Store, N. C.	4	6	35	25			6		
New Bethel.....	R. L. Linnick, Cleaveland Mills, N. C.	4	5	55	32	2 50		12		
New Prospect.....	No report.									
New Hope.....	W. M. Francis, Shelby, N. C.	5	6	50	35	8		10		
Pleasant Hill.....	J. A. Roberts, Durbro, N. C.	1	5	41	35	20	6 00	12		
Pleasant Grove.....	R. W. Gardner, Beams' Mills, N. C.	5	6	65	40	30	3 60	4		
Ross's Grove.....	H. Deadman, Shelby, N. C.	5	9	87	41	26	4 10	8		
Sandy Run.....	J. E. Green, Mooresboro, N. C.	No report.								
Sandy Plains.....	No report.									
Shelby.....	T. D. Lattimore, Shelby, N. C.	7	13	210	141	240	307 00	12		
State Line.....	W. R. Turner, Whitaker Station, S. C.	5	9	70	36	65	3 00	12		
Shady Grove.....	S. R. W. Farris, Cherryville, N. C.	4	4	116			5 65	4		
Walls.....	No report.									
Zion.....	S. L. Gillespie, Shelby, N. C.	4	7	90	56	54	10 95	2		
Zoar.....	Miss Emily Hogue, Shelby, N. C.	6	4	30	20	25	14 40	12		
Zion Hill.....	William Crow, Knob Creek, N. C.	8	8	79	55		2 00	8		
	114	189	2048	503	\$414 80	61				

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STATISTICAL TABLE.

CHURCHES.	CLERKS AND THEIR P. O.		Ad'ns.				Pastor's Salary &c.			Missions.				Education.		For other purposes.		For Minutes.		Total Contributions.	
	Baptism.	By letter.	Restored.	By letter.	Excluded.	Died.	Present Number.	Pastor's Salary &c.	Associa'tl Missions.	State Missions.	Home and Indian Missions.	Foreign Missions.	Sunday S. Board.	Education.	For other purposes.	For Minutes.	Total Contributions.				
Antioch.....	10	3	3	13	7	4	193	\$ 240 15	\$ 3 20	\$10 00				7 00	\$ 12 90	1 30	\$ 238 55				
Big Spring.....	11	3	1	4	1	1	118	125 15	3 20					5 00		1 50	147 75				
Bethlehem.....	18	4	2	14	8	1	210	125 00	6 15	5 25				5 00		2 00	148 25				
Bethel.....	9	12	3	1	3	1	122									2 00	2 00				
Beaver Dam.....	28	3	3	11	2	2	207	126 20	9 00							1 75	136 95				
Boiling Springs.....	3	3	3	11	3	1	195	115 00	15 45							2 00	132 45				
Buffalo.....	18	8	4	15	48		228	140 00	11 05							2 50	174 13				
Concord.....	18	8	5	4	15	48	170	56 00	4 75							1 55	132 45				
Capernaum.....	21	1	1	5	1	2	170	100 00	18 25	\$ 3 00						1 40	123 62				
Double Springs.....	10	1	1	19	1	1	207	176 50	20 00	9 50						1 40	223 92				
Dallas.....	3	3	3	35	79	00	35	79 00								1 50	800 50				
Fair View.....	3	3	3	35	79	00	18									1 50	800 50				
Gastonia.....	8	8	8	202			18									2 10	5 80				
High Shoal.....	14	5	7	15	12	2	146	120 00	14 69	2 00						2 10	339 91				
Long Creek.....	14	5	7	15	12	2	146	120 00	14 69	2 00						2 10	339 91				
Leonard's Fork.....	2	5	2	11	3	3	18		25 70	1 52						1 25	38 80				
Mt. Vernon.....	2	5	2	11	3	3	18		25 70	1 52						1 25	38 80				
Mt. Sinai.....	24	5	2	29	3	3	83	50 00	3 50							1 00	69 50				
Mt. Pleasant.....	4	5	4	4	4	4	212	50 00	3 10	4 75						1 40	54 50				
Mt. Zion.....	16	9	2	35	4	4	163	67 00	8 45	4 75						1 60	139 95				
Mt. Paran.....	16	9	2	35	4	4	163	67 00	8 45	4 75						1 60	139 95				
Mt. Harmony.....	1	1	1	11	3	3	145	122 45								1 20	2 20				
New Bethel.....	1	1	1	11	3	3	145	122 45								1 20	2 20				
New Prospect.....	29	3	1	16	6	4	282	200 00	6 85	7 95						1 75	231 05				
New Hope.....	13	5	1	23	1	4	105	200 00	8 00							2 00	2 00				
Pleasant Hill.....	13	5	1	23	1	4	105	200 00	8 00							2 00	2 00				
Ross's Grove.....	10	2	1	17	4	3	247	125 60	15 00							1 25	162 85				
Sandy Run.....	2	13	2	17	4	3	180	117 00	5 00	1 45						1 20	145 25				
Sandy Plains.....	6	6	6	17	1	5	206		8 00							3 00	19 00				
Shelby.....	6	6	6	17	1	5	206		8 00							3 00	19 00				
Shady Line.....	3	3	3	23	2	3	151	171 00	37 58	32 00						2 50	480 83				
Shady Grove.....	11	2	4	23	5	3	154	160 75	16 60	1 05						2 50	183 90				
Shalls.....	3	8	1	49	1	128	41	35 60	7 50							1 00	44 10				
Zion.....	3	8	1	49	1	128	41	35 60	7 50							1 00	44 10				
Zoar.....	24	6	3	33	3	3	167	149 25	6 30							1 75	157 30				
Zion Hill.....	24	6	3	33	3	3	167	149 25	6 30							1 75	157 30				
Totals.....	383	227	26	388	90	5676	4407	50	\$229 62	\$63 50	\$37 97	\$107 60	\$1 03	\$66 00	\$1106 17	\$57 75	\$5726 69				

